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## SECAF visits Andersen AFB



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Secretary of the Air Force Michael Donley shined a light on topics of national interest at an Airmen's Call on Andersen Air Force Base Aug. 29, part of a tour in which the secretary reconnected with the region and thanked Airmen serving in the Pacific area of responsibility.

In introducing Donley, Brig. Gen. John Doucette, 36th Wing commander, said Andersen Airmen have had the opportunity over the past year to talk about how Pacific Airpower helps bolster security and stability to the Asia-Pacific region.

"Now you have an opportunity to hear from the person who has the mandate to ensure that we are or-

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Security and Stability: Secretary of the Air Force Michael Donley talks with Airmen at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, during a base visit Aug. 29. During the visit, Donley met with senior leaders, and the men and women of the 36th Wing, to discuss the wing's role in the security and stability of the Asia-Pacific region. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Alex Montes/Released)

## Guam military celebrates women's equality

By Mass Communication  
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Service members gathered on board U.S. Naval Base Guam (NBG) to celebrate Women's Equality Day, Aug. 26.

The annual day of celebration commemorates the certification of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which gave

women the right to vote, on Aug. 26, 1920.

The event's guest speaker, Lt. Col. Aisha Bakkar, of U.S. Marine Forces Pacific (Forward) Guam and Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (MARFOR-PAC), spoke about strides the nation and the military have made toward seeing women as invaluable and equal.

"I think we have, as a country,

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19th Amendment: Lt. Col. Aisha Bakkar, of U.S. Marine Forces Pacific (Forward) and Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (MARFOR-PAC), speaks to assembled guests during a Women's Equality Day celebration on board U.S. Naval Base Guam, Aug. 26. Women's Equality Day commemorates the 1920 passing of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution which granted women the right to vote. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class (SW) Peter Lewis/Released)



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# MCPON sends Labor Day message



Cautious Labor Day: Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON) Rick D. West looks up at the scoreboard during the third quarter of the 110th Army-Navy college football game at Lincoln Financial Field in Philadelphia, Dec. 12, 2009. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Nick Kaylor/Released)

**Special from Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (SS/SW) Rick D. West**

Shipmates and Navy Families,  
The symbolic end to summer is just around the corner ... Labor Day weekend. Have you started making plans yet? Do your plans involve drinking and driving or driving long distances while fatigued? Do they involve water sports after a long day of drinking alcohol? How about driving a motorcycle at excessive speeds just to feel a rush?

Of course Sailors don't plan to do these things, but we continue to lose shipmates because of the bad choices they make. So far, we have lost 15 Sailors this summer: six in four-wheel motor vehicle mishaps, six on motorcycles and three during recreation mishaps. Last year we lost a total of 14 Sailors from Memorial Day to Labor Day and we have unfortunately exceeded that total with a few weeks left before Labor Day. The loss of one trained and ready Sailor is unacceptable, and in most cases preventable.

I encourage all of you to practice off-duty risk management while planning your activities and avoid cramming too many activities into a short period of time. Use caution when driving and think SAFE: no Speeding; no Alcohol before driving; no Fatigue (get plenty of rest) and no Ejections (wear your seatbelts). Also use caution when participating in water activities, and if drinking, always have a plan to get home.

Stay safe and let's close out summer and Labor Day weekend with zero fatalities or injuries. Enjoy your much-deserved time off with your family and friends, and as always, keep in mind our Sailors who are deployed and can't be with their loved ones.

Enjoy your Labor Day weekend and HOOYAH!

Very Respectfully,  
MCPON"

For more news from Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy, visit [www.navy.mil/local/mcpon/](http://www.navy.mil/local/mcpon/).

## News Notes

### Job Announcements

Interested individuals can view the vacancy listings at <https://www.cnic.navy.mil/Marianas/index.htm> or at <https://chart.donhr.navy.mil>. For more information, call 349-6119/2224.

### 36th Munitions Squadron Closed

The 36th Munitions Squadron will be closed due to a 100-percent-semiannual inventory Sept. 1-30. A 100-percent-semiannual inventory is a closed-warehouse-wall-to-wall inventory. Only emergency issue requests for munitions submitted in writing and approved by the group commander or equivalent will be processed during the inventory. Anyone needing assistance during this time can contact Munitions Operation at 366-3556 or Munitions Control at 366-6300.

### Protestant Religious Activities for Men on Andersen Air Force Base

Looking for a message of hope? Join the men's weekly Bible study on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. at the Hot Spot conference room on Andersen Air Force Base. Looking for a Christian friendship? Come out for the men's Fellowship Breakfast every third Saturday of the month beginning at 8 a.m. in the Chapel 2 annex. The next Fellowship Breakfast is scheduled for Sept. 3.

### Naval Criminal Investigative Service ID Theft Awareness Campaign

If you are deployed away from your usual duty station and do not expect to seek new credit while you are deployed, consider placing an "active-duty alert" on your credit report. An active-duty alert requires creditors to take steps to verify your identity before granting credit in your name. To place an active-duty alert or to have an existing alert removed, call the toll-free fraud number of one of the three nationwide consumer reporting companies. This announcement is brought to you as part of the Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS) ID Theft Awareness Campaign, which will run through Sept. 30. As part of the cam-

paign, NCIS Resident Agency Marianas, Guam will be conducting briefings to commands aboard U.S. Naval Base Guam regarding the prevention of ID theft and awareness of online security to help maintain the operational readiness of military members and their families. For more information or to schedule a briefing, call Master-at-Arms 3rd Class Guelmy Camacho at 339-7220 or 888-3091.

### Air Force Office of Special Investigations Recruiting Effort

The Air Force Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI) is looking for enlisted Airmen for special-agent duty once they have first served in another career field. Those eligible are staff sergeants with less than 10 years time in service, technical sergeants with less than one year time in grade and less than 11 years time in service. Senior Airmen are accepted on a case-by-case basis. If you have a line number for staff sergeant, you will be considered as one. First-term Airmen are releasable from their current career field but must be within their retraining window. Career Airmen are releasable with the approval of their career field manager. Current active-duty officers may also retrain into AFOSI from most career fields. Applications can be accepted 10-13 months prior to date eligible for return from overseas (DEROS). Those interested in a career as an AFOSI special agent can contact AFOSI Det. 602 on Andersen Air Force Base at 366-2987 for a recruitment package. For more information, visit <http://www.osi.andrews.af.mil>.

### U.S. Naval Base Guam Housing Security Measures

While the incidents of crime in Navy family housing are low, U.S. Naval Base Guam recommends housing residents implement the following prevention measures:

- Ensure that all doors, windows, garages and vehicles are locked at all times.
- Turn on all outside lighting at night.
- Secure all valuable items. Do not leave valuable items that are in your home in plain sight to someone outside looking in through a window or door. Evaluate your home from the outside for things that might tempt a thief. Consider closing

blinds and curtains to make it difficult for a thief to see valuable items.

- Report broken locks and lighting to the Housing Help Desk and follow up if there is not a prompt response.
- Report suspicious activity in the community - day or night - to the Security Department at 911 or 339-3414.

### Relocation of U.S. Naval Base Guam Bachelor Housing Service Desk

Bachelor Housing Front Desk Services is now located at Building 18 located on U.S. Naval Base Guam. All contact numbers will remain the same. For more information, call 333-2284/5.

### Report Fraud, Waste, and Mismanagement

The Joint Region Marianas (JRM) Hotline provides an opportunity to report significant cases of fraud, waste and mismanagement. Anyone can file a hotline complaint. All reporters have the right to remain anonymous. To contact the JRM Inspector General, e-mail M-GU-JRM-IG-HOTLINE-FRAUD-WASTE-ABUSE@fe.navy.mil or call 349-1001. You may also mail your report in to JRM Inspector General Office, PSC 455 Box 211, FPO AP 96540. Remember, the more detailed information you provide the better we can assist you.

### Andersen Air Force Base Public Health

Going on vacation? Andersen Air Force Base's Public Health office can provide clinic beneficiaries with general health information such as vaccine requirements, prophylactic medications and disease outbreaks for your specific travels. For more information on your next destination, contact Andersen Public Health 366-4147.

### Coalition of Sailors Against Destructive Decision

The Coalition of Sailors Against Destructive Decision (CSADD) Program provides an additional resource and communication tool that facilitates positive Sailor interaction and complements a commander's message directing prop-

er conduct both on and off duty. For more information about this program, contact Joint Region Marianas CSADD Team Leader Chief Logistics Specialist (SW/AW) June Magaling at 349-1238 or [June.Magaling@fe.navy.mil](mailto:June.Magaling@fe.navy.mil).

### USPS Naval Station Business Hours

The United States Postal Service location in Barracks 4 on U.S. Naval Base Guam is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1-3 p.m. and closed on Saturdays, Sundays and federal holidays.

### Human Resources Hotline

Call the Joint Region Marianas Human Resources hotline to be connected with human resources specialists and services. Check the latest vacancy announcements, view available training or be put in contact with personnel to answer questions regarding equal employment opportunity and employee labor relations at 1-855-HRO-GUAM (1-855-476-4826).

### U.S. Naval Base Guam Information Line, Twitter Updates and Facebook Page

Naval Base Guam has a new Information Line that will be updated periodically during emergencies affecting NBG and personnel. For more information on incidents such as these, call 339-4636. NBG also uses Twitter for periodic updates including information on power outages, road closures, base activities and more. Follow NBG on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/nbg Guam](http://www.twitter.com/nbg Guam) or become a fan of "US Naval Base Guam" on Facebook.

### Safety Hotline

Naval Base Guam and Andersen Air Force Base service members, dependents and personnel are encouraged to report any unsafe or unhealthful incidents and situations to their respective installation safety hotlines. The base safety office will promptly investigate all reports. On NBG, call 339-SAFE (7233) or 777-1809 during non-duty hours. On Andersen AFB, call 366-SAFE (7233) or 366-2981 during non-duty hours.

# LS keeps Guam Reservists on track

By Mass  
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Great Benefits: Logistics Specialist 2nd Class (SW) Brian Glasgow, of Navy Operational Support Center (NOSC) Guam, reviews an awards submission package, at the command headquarters on board U.S. Naval Base Guam, Aug. 22. Glasgow said he joined the Navy four and a half years ago because he saw a world of potential benefits. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class (SW) Peter Lewis/Released)

Logistics Specialist 2nd Class (SW) Brian Glasgow said he joined the Navy four-and-a-half years ago because he saw a world of potential benefits.

"Being a member of the armed forces comes with great benefits, such as the Montgomery G.I. Bill and the availability of Veterans Affairs home loans," he said. "But the benefit that sealed the deal for me was the opportunity to travel overseas. I think that is the very best thing about being in the Navy."

As a Navy LS, Glasgow can be assigned to almost any command and be tasked with a cornucopia of responsibilities including inventory management, mail distribution, material and repair component procurement, and financial management functions.

"I enjoy how diverse the billets for my rating are. This rate gives me the opportunity

to experience several different platforms throughout the Navy," he said. "Plus, the LS rate has similar qualities to my previous work experience, which made it a good fit."

As a member of Navy Operational Support Center

(NOSC) Guam, Glasgow plies his craft to ensure Reservists are ready for action.

"As the NOSC Guam Logistics Department Head, I'm responsible for command logistic oversight and support of nine reserve units, consisting of 158 Navy Reservists,"

he said. "Our Reservists are not all located on island; they reside and drill in 10 foreign countries and U.S. territories located within 13.2 million square miles of Pacific Command area of responsibility."

Glasgow, who also serves as his command's urinalysis

coordinator, facilities manager, and anti-terrorism force protection officer, said his command keeps him busy, well-trained and in high spirits.

"I enjoy the camaraderie amongst the staff at NOSC Guam," he said. "I also like the fast-paced operational tempo and working in a productive atmosphere."

According to Glasgow's leading petty officer, Yeoman 1st Class (SW/AW) Vincent Estrada, the young LS2 is a standout among his peers.

"Glasgow has been selected three times as Sailor of the Quarter since he reported on board NOSC Guam last August 2010," Estrada said. "He sets a positive example by making time to be a full-time student at University of Maryland University College, while maintaining a demanding and fast-paced schedule."

Estrada also credited Glasgow with maintaining a positive focus that rubs off on his fellow workers.

"With his positive attitude and work ethic, he encourages his fellow shipmates to strive better," the yeoman said. "When you're around him, you just want

to do better."

Glasgow, who has received two letters of commendation from his commanding officer, said he draws his inspiration from a very well-known humanitarian.

"If I had to think of someone who exemplifies the qualities I admire, it would be Warren Buffet – specifically for his philanthropic actions," he said. "As one of the richest men in the world, he donated the majority of his wealth to benefit less fortunate people. This action is extremely admirable and gives me inspiration to help everyone I possibly can."

For anyone hoping to imitate Glasgow's sustained and proven record of success, he has a few words of advice.

"Obviously hard work and having a positive attitude go a long way toward success," he said. "However, I've also been very fortunate to have had excellent leadership throughout my short time in the Navy. I would attribute my superior performance to all who have come before me that have provided an excellent example for me to follow. Those leaders truly laid the road map for my success."

## Andersen's Best: Robinson ensures funds

Overdraft Protector: Staff Sgt. Kristina Robinson, 36th Maintenance Group resource advisor, was awarded Team Andersen's Best on Andersen Air Force Base Aug. 25. Robinson serves as the commander's principal advisor for executing the annual budget of \$3.4 million and has been responsible for processing \$55,000 worth of government purchase card purchase requests and clearing \$20,900 of negative supply balances in preparation for End-of-Year close out. "Sgt. Robinson is the 36 MXG overdraft protector," said Master Sgt. Trevius Wells, 36th Maintenance Operations flight chief. "She ensures funds and resources are available to accomplish Pacific Command's diverse mission." She has also procured \$461,500 for the purchase of much needed radio consoles in the 36 Maintenance Operations Center. This will enhance the Group/Wing's C2 capability and was a major contributor to her recognition as an Inspector General superior performer during Andersen's Compliance Inspection. Andersen's Best is a recognition program which highlights a top performer from the 36th Wing. Each week, supervisors nominate a member of their team for outstanding performance and the wing commander presents the selected Airman/Civilian with an award. To nominate your Airman for Andersen's Best, contact your unit chief or superintendent explaining their accomplishments.

(U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Carlin Leslie/Released)



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# Coast Guard, Navy HSC-25 rescue 3

## From U.S. Coast Guard Sector Guam Public Affairs

U.S. Coast Guard Sector Guam and Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron 25 (HSC-25) rescued three fishermen from a life raft adrift in treacherous seas 15 nautical miles northwest of Saipan Aug. 28.

Three fishermen from the 23 foot fiberglass commercial fishing vessel NORMA abandoned their boat into a small life raft after the vessel

took on water and sank in the early morning hours. Sector Guam received the distress alert from the fishermen's Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) at approximately 3:30 a.m. Sunday local time and immediately requested air support from the Navy.

HSC-25 was on scene and began searching within two hours. Sector Guam continued to update the helicopter air crew with the location of the EPIRB signal throughout the

search. At approximately 6:50 a.m., the HSC-25 aircrew spotted a large white cooler and small rigid foam raft with three fishermen inside being tossed by 10-foot seas. There was no sign of the F/V NORMA. The HSC-25's rescue swimmer deployed to assess their condition and to help hoist the three survivors. All three were recovered in good condition. One of the survivors described the sinking as "almost occurring in an instant, the boat was mov-

ing forward, began taking on water and was just gone from right under us". The Coast Guard is investigating the cause of the sinking.

Coast Guard Sector Guam reminds mariners that a properly registered 406MHz EPIRB can save your life. Registration information can be very helpful in confirming that a distress situation exists, and in arranging appropriate rescue efforts. If the EPIRB is properly registered, the Coast Guard will be able to use

the registration information to immediately begin action on the case. If the EPIRB is unregistered, a distress alert may take as much as two hours longer to reach the Coast Guard over the international satellite system.

Mariners, if you have an EPIRB on board your vessel, confirm it is properly registered today. To register, visit <http://www.beaconregistration.noaa.gov/>. There is no charge for this service.

# SECNAV addresses energy leaders at summit

## By Chief Mass Communication Specialist Samuel Shavers

Secretary of the Navy Public Affairs

Secretary of the Navy (SECNAV) Ray Mabus delivered the keynote address at the National Clean Energy Summit 4.0 in Las Vegas Aug. 30.

The summit brought together leaders of industry, government, and those specializing in research and development to chart the course for the future of energy in America.

Secretary Mabus told attendees that "changing the way the United States uses, produces, and acquires energy is one of the central policy challenges that confront us as a nation."

While there are many reasons why the Navy has prioritized energy independence and energy security, Mabus stressed the most important is because doing so addresses a vulnerability and allows the Navy and Marine Corps to be better war fighters.

Mabus said President Obama has authorized the Departments of Agriculture, Energy and Navy to invest up to \$510 million over the next three years.

"The combined effort of these three departments is a powerful force that will decrease U.S. depend-

ence on foreign oil, position American companies to be global leaders in the production of advanced drop-in biofuels, and create jobs for American farmers and American companies," said Mabus.

The Department of the Navy has made steady progress in testing and certifying its aircraft, ships and tactical vehicles with drop-in biofuels and alternative energy sources.

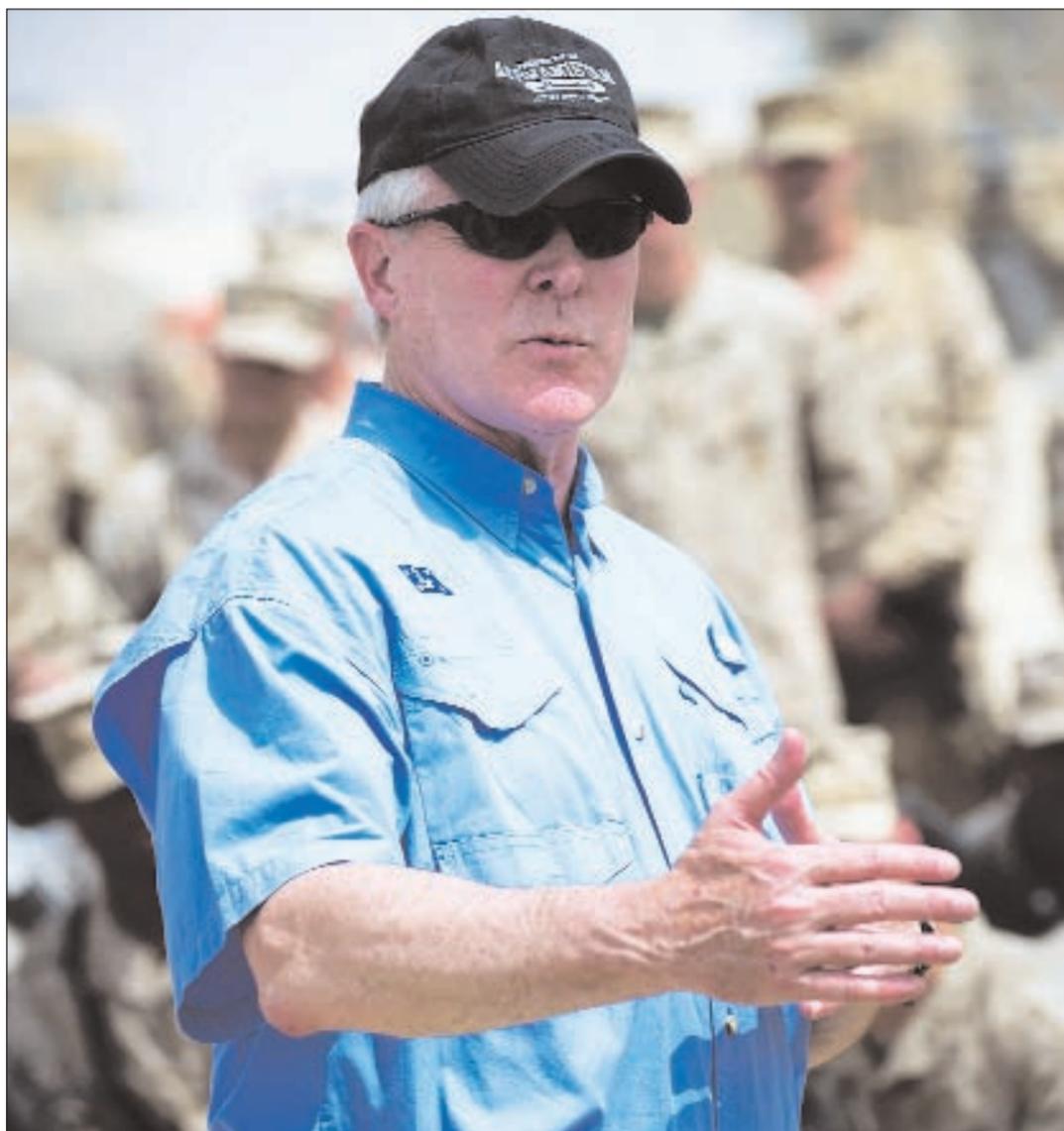
At the Clean Energy Summit, Mabus announced the next highly visible milestone the Navy will reach will occur this weekend when all six of the Blue Angels flight demonstration team perform using a 50/50 blend of drop-in biofuel during the Pax River Labor Day Air Show.

"This will be the first time an entire unit has flown on a biofuel mix," Mabus said.

Vice President Biden and Secretary Chu also delivered speeches to the veteran business executives, energy policy innovators, and senior public officials attending the Energy Summit.

SECNAV delivered his speech a day after he announced that the Naval Postgraduate School would begin developing a dedicated energy graduate degree program in the fall.

For more news from Secretary of the Navy Public Affairs, visit [www.navy.mil/secnav/index.asp](http://www.navy.mil/secnav/index.asp).



All-Hands: Secretary of the Navy (SECNAV) the Honorable Ray Mabus addresses Sailors and Marines during an all-hands call at Forward Operating Base Dehli in Helmand Province, Afghanistan. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Kevin S. O'Brien/Released)

# 36 MDG prepares for upcoming inspection

By Airman 1st Class  
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The anticipation is mounting as Airmen of the 36th Medical Group (MDG) prepare for the triennial health services inspection scheduled to take place Sept. 12-16.

Health services inspections assess Air Force Medical Service programs and processes to provide senior leadership with accurate data upon which to base policy decisions. The inspection will also assess the ability of medical units to fulfill their

peacetime and wartime missions, to include evaluation of medical care and the support of the host wing's mission.

"During the week-long examination, a 10-member military team from the Air Force Inspector General's office comes to the base," said Capt. Damian Pardue, 36 MDG group practice manager. "They are accompanied by a three-member civilian team from the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC) who will also conduct their own assessment. Their focus will be on the various aspects of healthcare delivery at the

Medical Group."

In addition to patient care, records management and administrative programs will also come under scrutiny during the inspection.

"They want to look at our programs and make sure we're running them the way we're supposed to," said Tech. Sgt. Jamie Brewer, 36 MDG noncommissioned officer in charge of the commander support staff. "Every program we have is fair game and the inspectors are subject matter experts. It is our job to ensure we are running our programs in accordance with Air Force Instruction and other regulations."

With more than 3200 documents to prepare, logistics to sort out and protocol to follow, a six-man team was formed at the 36 MDG back in April and each individual was charged with overseeing specific tasks. Once preparation was well in hand, clinic personnel shifted gears and focused their attention on fine-tuning their programs.

"Basically, the inspectors are going to come in, review the documents we've prepared and meet with individuals to discuss their programs," Brewer said. "They will get with each section and say 'what's this, how do you do this, why aren't

you doing this.' That's the purpose of the meetings – they need to get an understanding of our processes rather than just flipping through a binder."

On the heels of a successful 2008 inspection, Pardue is anticipating a similar positive outcome this year.

"We have put in the work and I believe that will be evident when the inspectors arrive next month," he said. "The important thing to remember is, it's not just a handful of folks who need to be involved; it's all of our Airmen. Everyone plays an important role in the delivery of optimal health care."

# Holiday greetings warm hearts across the world

By 36th Wing Public Affairs

It's time once again to break out a classic reindeer sweater in celebration of the 28th iteration of the annual Holiday Greetings Program.

Since the inception of the Holiday Greetings Program, broadcasters from the Joint Hometown News Service have recorded thousands of holiday greeting messages from military members serving at countless locations. Once recorded, messages are aired on TV stations across the United States and on the American Forces Network around the globe.

Because there is no better way to warm the hearts of loved ones than with a greeting from sunny Guam, teams are scheduled to record holiday messages at Palm Tree Golf Course on Andersen Air Force Base Sept. 12 and 13, and at Navy Exchange on U.S. Naval Base Guam Sept. 14. The times will be announced at a later date.

Any member of the U.S. Armed Forces qualifies to record a greeting. This includes service members, civilian employees and their families. If a military member is deployed, spouses or children will still be permitted to record a greeting. Service members with families in more than one loca-

tion can record more than one greeting.

Service members must be in uniform to record a greeting. Department of Defense contractors may record greetings, but should not mention the company they work for. All greetings will be reviewed and inappropriate greetings will not be sent to air.

The Joint Hometown News Service offers the following tips to make the most of one's time in front of the camera:

▲ Family members should come with their sponsor, unless that sponsor is deployed.

▲ Bring an address book with your family members' names, city, state and phone number. Station managers need the phone numbers to let families know when the greetings will air.

▲ Greetings should be less than 30 seconds in length.

▲ When on camera, relax. Keep hand gestures to a minimum.

▲ Write main points on an index card. There is no script, but notes will help you remember everything you want to say.

Most greetings will air from Thanksgiving Day through New Year's Day, so don't mention any particular holiday, it may make the greeting outdated.

Record Holiday Greetings at the Palm Tree Golf Course Sept. 12 - 13, and at Naval Base Guam Sept. 14

# 'Hospital consolidation going smoothly'

By Lisa Daniel  
American Forces Press Service

A large-scale realignment of military health care facilities is nearing culmination, and officials recently said they are pleased with the progress.

Joint Task Force National Capital Region Medical was created in 2007 to oversee a base realignment and closure law mandate to close Walter Reed Army Medical Center here and Malcolm Grow Medical Center at Joint Base Andrews in Maryland, and to consolidate care at the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md., and a new Fort Belvoir Community Hospital in Virginia.

"The process has gone extraordinarily smoothly," said Navy Vice Adm. (Dr.) John M. Mateczun, the commander of the Joint Task Force National Capital Region Medical.

The consolidated facility in Bethesda will be called the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center. Patient consolidation has occurred throughout most of August and will conclude in the coming days with the transport of Walter Reed's remaining inpatients —

about 50 people — to Bethesda, Mateczun said. He added that he does not anticipate problems with the seven-mile ambulance transports.

The national capital region has "more experience than anywhere else in the country," he noted, receiving patients at least three times per week on flights from Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany.

The hospitals will sequence the departure and arrival of patients, the admiral said, so as not to overwhelm any one ward. Each patient will travel in an ambulance with his or her team of care providers, as well as family members if there is room, he said.

While the move has gone smoothly, Mateczun said, it comes at a critical time for patients. The task force issued letters about the realignment early this year and set up a hotline for people to ask questions during the transition.

"This is a disruptive time in their lives, and I'm very sorry we had to bring more disruption," the admiral said. "But we wouldn't do it if we didn't think it will be better for them."

Any reservations patients or their families have had about the move generally dis-

solve as they walk into the new facilities, Mateczun said.

"It's been very gratifying for us to watch them and their reactions as they move in," he said.

The new hospitals and clinics represent the covenant the services have with wounded warriors to provide them with the best possible care, the admiral said. The new paradigm, he added, is not just providing acute care, but therapeutic care, as well.

The new facilities go beyond federal requirements for disability standards, providing a specialized environment for wounded warriors and their families, Mateczun said.

"We like to say they are 'wounded warrior compliant,'" he said.

The facilities are wheelchair- and prosthetic-ready, the admiral said. Inpatient suites are also designed so wounded warriors may live with family members and gain independence by doing daily tasks such as cooking and laundry.

"It's a new model for the military," he said.

The Fort Belvoir hospital, Mateczun said, is leading the nation in what is known as "evidence-based designs," or "smart rooms," that give patients a monitor to see when

someone enters their room, along with the person's name and title, as well as more control of temperature, lighting and television. Also, providers will be able to access a patient's electronic health record in their room in coordination with the patient.

"We need to make sure that patient care is our No. 1 priority," he said, "and we also need to take care of the staff and make sure that they stay."

The task force has done just that, Mateczun said, because the realignment law guaranteed placement for Walter Reed's 2,200 employees at either Bethesda or Fort Belvoir.

"They stuck with us, and we are very grateful we are able to keep them all," he said.

In planning the moves, Mateczun said, the task force also created efficiencies through interoperability, buying the same equipment for the facilities and allowing for the same maintenance contracts.

"It's more than world-class care," he said. "It's world-class service. Our end goal is to try to reach an integrated system of patient care when the patient needs it, and where they need it."

## How do you prepare for advancement exams?

Joint Region Edge asked its readers about their study habits for advancement exams.



**"I log on to BUPERS and grab my bibs. I use it as my guideline to studying."**

- Machinist Mate 3rd Class Jose Rodriguez  
USS Frank Cable (AS 40)  
Navy Reserves



**"The command helped me out a lot. They gave me ample time to study while offering me resources to use on my off time."**

- Electronics Technician Seaman Kenneth Murray  
USS Buffalo (SSN 715)



**"I'd go to the library for books as well as online practice exams that I could take to study."**

- Airman 1st Class Jeremy Ramirez  
36th Expeditionary Maintenance Squadron crew chief



**"I just got back from deployment. I did the North Star books and studied a little bit at a time. I didn't want to wait until the last minute and overwhelm myself. Thinking about what was the payoff if I advanced kept me motivated."**

- Hull Maintenance Technician 2nd Class Derek Rody  
USS Frank Cable (AS 40)



**"A lot of rest, prepare ahead of time by adjusting and prioritizing your study schedule. How much you study depends on how far in advance you find out your test date."**

- Tech Sgt. Hazel Lawton  
36th Communications Squadron postmaster/official mailroom manager



**"I'd make sure to get with my supervisor. Although they couldn't tell me the answers, they could help me to prepare by helping me find the appropriate study material."**

- Airman 1st Class Ashley Cacciatore  
36th Security Forces Squadron patrolman

# Caring for People survey results provide insight

By Erin Tindell

Air Force Personnel, Services and Manpower Public Affairs

More than 100,000 total force Airmen voiced their opinions in the online Caring for People survey conducted from Dec. 1, 2010 to Jan. 3, 2011.

After experts performed a comprehensive analysis, officials have released results to force support leadership.

The survey allowed active duty,

Guard and Reserve Airmen, civilians, retirees and spouses an opportunity to tell Air Force leaders how they can better address services with health and wellness; Airmen and family support; education and development; and housing and communities.

Respondents expressed satisfaction in areas such as housing, installation schools and military benefits. Additionally, dining facilities, fitness centers, child development centers and youth programs received customer satisfaction rat-

ings of 70 or higher.

"The Air Force customer satisfaction index score was good overall," said Curt Cornelssen, chief of future operations for Air Force Services at the Pentagon. "Information, Tickets and Travel and the Air Force Food Transformation Initiative were standouts, competing with comparable industry leaders in the travel and food service industries respectively."

Areas of concern include a sense of Air Force community, the economy and financial issues, spouse support, medical care for families and

job satisfaction.

Survey results were released to senior Air Force leaders and force support leadership to gain insight on how to improve quality of life programs, Cornelssen said.

"Air Force leaders will continue to prioritize activities and initiatives to best support quality of life satisfaction and readiness," Cornelssen said. "Additionally, detailed customer service data will be provided to the installation level for improvement action planning and ongoing management."

The Caring for People Survey was a merger of previous quality of life and customer satisfaction surveys conducted in 2008. Insights from the 2008 surveys and subsequent focus groups spurred the development of several initiatives for improving fitness facilities, dining operations and housing. Officials also allocated \$10 million to start development of a Single Airmen program.

For more information on quality of life programs within the Air Force, visit [www.MyAirForceLife.com](http://www.MyAirForceLife.com).

# First Navy trainer completes biofuel flight at Patuxent River

From Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division, Patuxent River Public Affairs

The Navy's alternative energy program expanded Aug. 24 when a T-45 training aircraft completed a successful biofuel flight at Naval Air Station (NAS) Patuxent River, Md.

The "Salty Dogs" of Air Test and Evaluation Squadron (VX) 23 flew the high-performance jet trainer on a biofuel mixture of petroleum-based JP-5 jet fuel and plant-based camelina. The high oil content of the camelina seed makes it a valuable source of renewable and sustainable energy.

"This successful test flight brings us a step closer to meeting the Navy's energy security goals," said Vice Adm. David Architzel, commander, Naval Air Systems Command. "My congratulations to the Navy fuels team here at NAVAIR for playing an instrumental role in proving the viability of biofuels to power naval aircraft."

The T-45 "Goshawk" is a tandem-seat aircraft used by the Navy and Marine Corps to train pilots on



Biofuel Test Flight: A T-45C Goshawk training aircraft assigned to the Salty Dogs of Air Test and Evaluation Squadron (VX) 23 conducts a test flight using a biofuel blend of JP-5 jet fuel and plant-based camelina. (U.S. Navy photo by Kelly Schindler/Released)

carrier and tactical mission operations.

This is the fifth aircraft successfully tested using biofuel at NAS

Patuxent River and showcases the Navy's commitment to achieve energy independence by reducing the need for foreign oil. Previous air-

craft tested include the F/18 E/F, MH-60S, F/A-18 D, and most recently, the MV-22. Navy Secretary Ray Mabus' goal is to cut the Navy's oil us-

age in half by 2025.

"This test of the T-45 with a 50/50 blend of biofuel represents another significant milestone in the long list of detailed flight test and demonstrations of the F-18 Super Hornet, the MH-60S, and the V-22," said Rear Adm. Phil Cullom, Director of the Chief of Naval Operations Energy and Environmental Readiness Division. "Our commitment to the aggressive test schedule for drop-in replacement fuels for JP-5 and F-76 keep us on pace for the 2012 demonstration and 2016 deployment of the Great Green Fleet."

Three additional Navy aircraft are scheduled for biofuel test flights before the end of the year.

This initiative is one of many throughout the Navy and Marine Corps which will enable the Department of the Navy to achieve Secretary Ray Mabus' energy goals to improve our energy security and efficiency afloat and ashore, increase our energy independence, and help lead the nation toward a clean energy economy.

For more news from Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division, Patuxent River, visit <http://www.navy.mil/local/nawcadpr/>.



## Equality: Female service members reach new frontiers

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truly grasped on to celebrating the differences we have that make us equal in how we complement each other," Bakkar said. "I think that's why we have the outstanding force that we have."

NBG Commanding Officer Capt. Richard Wood discussed how female service members are currently forging ahead into new frontiers, such as the pioneering female officers who will soon be stationed aboard submarines. He said he expects the integration to flow smoothly because that's how the military does business.

"That's what women's equality is really about," Wood said. "It's the fact that we don't even

recognize that they're female officers or male officers. They're officers serving in the United States Navy."

Event attendees said they felt a great deal of pride in having the military honor the contributions of a "minority" that may, at times, be overlooked.

"It feels great because we have contributed a lot to the military," said Chief Yeoman (AW) Kieona Allen, of Navy Operational Support Command (NOSC) Guam. "It feels good that they are recognizing women and the big part that we play in the role of the military."

For more news from U.S. Naval Forces Marianas, visit [www.navy.mil/local/guam/](http://www.navy.mil/local/guam/).

Equality Day: Capt. Richard Wood, commanding officer, U.S. Naval Base Guam (NBG), speaks to assembled guests during a Women's Equality Day celebration on board NBG, Aug. 26. Women's Equality Day commemorates the 1920 passing of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution which granted women the right to vote. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class (SW) Peter Lewis/Released)

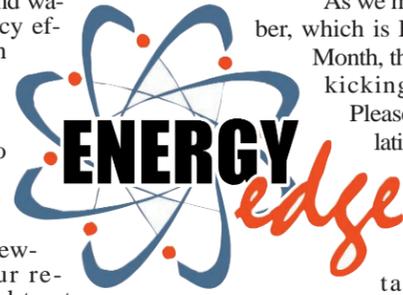
# Kudos to base teams for energy awards

By Kevin D. Evans  
Joint Region Marianas  
Supervisory Energy Manager

Congratulations to Naval Base Guam and Andersen Air Force Base for achieving energy awards! Both bases achieved level of achievement, gold and blue, respectively for their efforts based on the FY10 energy year accomplishments.

The Secretary of the Navy announced the results which included our Joint Region in his message from Washington D.C. He then praised all the award winners and reminded all that, "Your excellence

in energy and water efficiency efforts are an example for all other commands to follow. We must all continue to be good stewards of our resources and treat them as the strategic asset they increasingly are. In the process, we will reduce consumption, waste less, and free up funding to better support our warfighters."



As we move towards October, which is Energy Awareness Month, this is a great start to kicking off the season.

Please join in congratulating your base energy teams: Naval Base Guam – Derek Briggs, Patrick Gumatao, and Florante Melecio. Andersen Air Force Base – Patrick Russell and John Manaloto, and our Marine Corps Program Manager, David Motroni. As we say on the Navy side, "Bravo Zulu!"



Base visit: Secretary of the Air Force Michael Donley talks with Airmen at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, during a base visit Aug. 29. During the visit, Donley met with senior leaders, and the men and women of the 36th Wing, to discuss the wing's role in the security and stability of the Asia-Pacific region. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Alex Montes/Released)



Contingency: Capt. John Stiles, 554th RED HORSE Squadron, briefs Secretary of the Air Force Michael Donley on several pieces of equipment used during contingency responses during a visit to Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, Aug. 29. During the visit, Donley met with senior leaders, and the men and women of the 36th Wing, to discuss the wing's role in the security and stability of the Asia-Pacific region. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Alex Montes/Released)

## SECAF: In-depth talk on budget, challenges

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ganized, trained and equipped, around the globe, to accomplish our mission (and) take care of our Airmen and their families," Doucette continued.

The secretary spoke in depth on the challenges the Air Force faces now, and will face in the future, to include maintaining readiness despite expected reductions in the Defense Department budget.

"We're in a time of great financial volatility and fiscal crisis at home," Donley said. "The need to get our fiscal house in order has become a national priority. In the last couple years, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Adm. Michael Mullen, identified the national debt as the single biggest threat to our national security."

Because the defense budget accounts for such a large portion of federal spending, it has to be part of any solution to the nation's fiscal problems, Donley said.

"It has been clear that national defense will be part of that equation going forward," he said. "We have already identified about \$33 billion in Air Force spending in the next five years that could be reallocated from lower to higher priority missions. It has given us a head start to begin looking at how we can operate our Air Force more efficiently."

Despite these fiscal challenges, Donley said he and other Department of Defense leaders remain committed to maintaining a capable and ready force while also ensuring American servicemembers and their families are well taken care of.

"So much of the effort in the DoD and headquarters has been to anticipate and plan for this level of adjustment, and to figure out a way forward that will protect the gains made over the last decade and capabilities our force will need to meet future threats five and ten years out," the secretary said. "But we must do all this without breaking faith with the men and women serving today, who make these missions a reality 24/7, 365 days a year."

Recognizing Team Andersen's key role in providing stability for the Asia-Pacific region through the



Meeting: Members from the 734th Air Mobility Squadron speak with Secretary of the Air Force Michael Donley during his visit to Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, Aug. 29. During the visit, Donley met with senior leaders, and the men and women of the 36th Wing, to discuss the wing's role in the security and stability of the Asia-Pacific region. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Alex Montes/Released)

continuous bomber presence, theater security packages and other capabilities, Donley thanked the audience for their service to the nation.

"As the farthest western piece of sovereign territory in the U.S., Guam is critically important to the United States," Donley said. "This is a great wing, and it plays a very important role in this region, and for our nation and our Air Force."

"People ask what the best part about being the Secretary of the Air Force is, and it's getting out and meeting Airmen like you who are doing the work of the Air Force every day," he continued. "It's really a gift to the nation that you chose the Air Force."



Left: Sailors assigned to the base police department move debris from Hurricane Irene at one of the entrances to Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek-Fort Story. (U.S. Navy photo by Spencer R. Layne/Released)

Below: Aviation Ordnancemen 3rd Class Jessica Pine saws tree branches during clean-up efforts at Naval Station Norfolk in the aftermath of Hurricane Irene. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Jonathan Sunderman/Released)



# Hurricane Irene tests response

Right: Sailors assigned to the base police department block a street with a damaged tree being held by power lines after Hurricane Irene passed over Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek-Fort Story. (U.S. Navy photo by Spencer R. Layne/Released)



Above: Naval Air Crewman 2nd Class Megan Harlan and Naval Air Crewman 3rd Class Leo Alverado, both assigned to Helicopter Mine Countermeasure Squadron (HM) 14, prepare to land during an operational training flight aboard an MH-53E Sea Dragon. HM-14 is preparing to support operations along the Atlantic Coast in the wake of Hurricane Irene if requested. (U.S. Navy Photo by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Scott Pittman/Released)

Right: Aviation Boatswain's Mates Devon McCorry and Erik Diedrich prepare to launch MH-60S Sea Hawks helicopters assigned to Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron (HSC) 28 from the amphibious assault ship USS Wasp (LHD 1). Wasp, along with 27 other Naval Station Norfolk-based ships, sortied into the Atlantic Ocean Aug. 25 to avoid damage from Hurricane Irene. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communications Specialist 1st Class Justin K. Thomas/Released)





Above: From left, Dr. Steven Bloom, Department of Defense Education Activity Guam District superintendent, Jessica Cruz, and Naval Base Guam's (NBG) Commanding Officer Capt. Richard Wood, participate in the traditional bell ringing ceremony that starts off the school year at Cmdr. William C. McCool Elementary/Middle School, Aug. 29. Bloom and Wood rang the bell dismissing each grade from the ceremony. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class (SW) Gabrielle Blake/Released)

Left: Guam High School (GHS) Principal Phil Keim rings the bell signifying the first day of classes during the Ring in the New School Year ceremony at GHS Aug. 29. (U.S. Navy photo by JoAnna Delfin/Released)

# DoDEA begins new school year

Right: Naval Base Guam (NBG) Commanding Officer Capt. Richard Wood, back center, along with students and staff from Cmdr. William C. McCool Elementary/Middle School, say the pledge and sing the National Anthem and Guam hymn during the traditional bell ringing ceremony that starts off the school year Aug. 29. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class (SW) Gabrielle Blake/Released)



Below: Students from Cmdr. William C. McCool Elementary/Middle School on U.S. Naval Base Guam sit in the gym waiting for the traditional bell ringing ceremony to start off the school year Aug. 29. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class (SW) Gabrielle Blake/Released)



Right: Department of Defense Education Activity Guam District Superintendent Dr. Steven Bloom rings the bell signifying the first day of classes during the Ring in the New School Year ceremony at Guam High School Aug. 29. (U.S. Navy photo by JoAnna Delfin/Released)



School bulletin aims to promote educational activities in the Navy and Air Force communities. If you know of an education-related event that you would like to include, send it to [jointregionedge@fe.navy.mil](mailto:jointregionedge@fe.navy.mil) or call 349-2115.

### Free Education Fairs

Free education fairs featuring colleges from on and off island will be open for the following groups at these locations:

**Open to students, parents and teachers:**

Sept. 8, 8:10 a.m.-2:45 p.m.,

Southern High School, Santa Rita

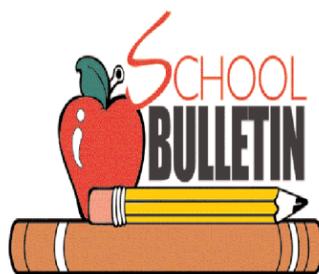
Sept 9, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Guam High School,

Sept 9, 5:30-8 p.m., Guam High School Open House, Agana Heights. Open to all branches of service and Guard, Reserve/Active Duty and family members

**Open to the public:**

Sept. 10, 7 a.m.-5 p.m., Bldg. 61 Army Reserve Center, Barrigada.

**Open only to the Guam Army National Guard**



**personnel and family members:**

Sept. 11, 7 a.m.-5 p.m., Army National Guard Armory Assembly Hall in Barrigada

**Contact information:**

Southern High School: Carmen Garrido, 479-2121, [mame53@live.com](mailto:mame53@live.com)

Guam High School: Christine Taitano, 344-7410, [Christine.taitano@pac.dodea.edu](mailto:Christine.taitano@pac.dodea.edu)

Guam Army Reserve: Padios Limwel, 344-5880, [limwel.padios@us.army.mil](mailto:limwel.padios@us.army.mil)

Guam Army National Guard: Chief Warrant Officer 2 Bernard Aguon, 735-0418, [b.aguon@us.army.mil](mailto:b.aguon@us.army.mil)

### Andersen Elementary School

Sept. 5 No School - Labor Day

Sept. 7 First day of school for kindergarten

Sept. 13 First day of school for prekindergarten

### Andersen Middle School

Sept. 5 No School - Labor Day

### Guam High School

Sept. 5 No School - Labor Day

### McCool Elementary/Middle School

Sept. 5 No School - Labor Day

Sept. 7 First day of school for kindergarten

Sept. 13 First day of school for prekindergarten

Supply lists for SY 2011-2012 are available in the main office or at the Navy Exchange main store on U.S. Naval Base Guam. For more information, call 339-8676.

Substitute teachers wanted. U.S. citizens with a minimum of 60 college semester hours may apply. For more information, call Mellie Guerrero at 339-5347.

### Navy College Office

The Navy College Office is located on U.S. Naval Base Guam in Barracks 1. For information regarding Navy college programs, available schools and other educational resources, call 339-8291 or visit the overall Navy College Office Web site at <http://www.navycollege.navy.mil>.

Active-duty service members are invited to attend the Tuition Assistance Course every Thursday at 9 a.m. at the Navy College Office in Barracks 1. For more information, call 339-8291.

### Phone Numbers

Andersen Elementary School: 366-1511

Andersen Middle School: 366-3880/5793

Commander William C. McCool Elementary/Middle School: 339-8676

Guam High School: 344-7410

# History of the U.S. Naval Cemetery



History Lesson: A U.S. Navy flag flies over the U.S. Naval Cemetery in Hagatna Aug. 29. Dozens of service members and civilians were buried at the site during the Spanish-American War, World Wars I and II, and the Korean War. The cemetery is maintained by Commander, Fleet Air Forward Detachments Aircraft Intermediate Maintenance Department Guam and Aviation Support Division Guam. (U.S. Navy photo by JoAnna Delfin/Released)

By **JoAnna Delfin**  
Joint Region Edge Staff

Discovering the history of a place can be researched on the Internet, read in a book and experienced through food and music. Learning about the people who inhabited a place is a different story.

Though books can show pictures and give biographies, there is one place that makes a history lesson more meaningful.

The U.S. Naval Cemetery in Hagatna gives a great historical perspective of the men and women who lived and served on Guam through the years.

The cemetery was established when the United States took control over the island after the Spanish-American War in 1898.

Within the cemetery lie four groups of service members and civilians – victims and veterans of the Spanish-American War, World

War I (WWI), World War II (WWII), and the Korean War.

Though the earliest grave marker at the cemetery dates back to 1902, some of the most significant gravesites belong to a group of men who died at the beginning of WWI.

“One of the historical features of that cemetery is the gravesites of the sailors from the German ship, the SMS Cormoran,” said Guam historian Toni Ramirez. “The ship was on Guam from 1914 to 1917 when the crew scuttled the ship at the beginning of the war.”

Ramirez added that Sailors from Cormoran also constructed a monument at the cemetery to memorialize their fallen comrades.

Another important monument at the site is in commemoration of the first Chamorro sons who died at the beginning of WWII at Pearl Harbor.

Prior to the completion of the Guam Veterans Cemetery in Piti, Memorial Day services were con-

ducted at the U.S. Naval Cemetery in Hagatna.

Ramirez recalled visiting the cemetery with his family to pay their respects and remember the fallen.

“I remembered when I was growing up because my grandfather is buried there,” he said. “We would place a wreath there and it’s still something we do today.”

The cemetery was adopted by Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron (HSC) 25 Supply Division in 2004 and is currently maintained by Commander, Fleet Air Forward (COMFAIRFWD) Detachments Aircraft Intermediate Maintenance Department (AIMD) Guam and Aviation Support Division (ASD) Guam.

Lt. Reynaldo Cabana, of COMFAIRFWD/AIMD/ASD Guam, said maintenance of the cemetery and the 254 tombstones fosters a working and developing relationship between the military and local community.

“It’s important to maintain this place because we are giving back to the community,” he said. “We love Guam and it’s something we need to do to help out. We do it because Guam is our home and it’s something we have to do as part of the community, and not as the military.”

The command takes responsibility for keeping the cemetery free of trash and overgrown groundcover, painting the tombstones, removing unwanted branches and overall maintenance of the site at least once every other month.

Cabana added the command is always looking for volunteers from the military and local community to come out and join in their efforts.

“We want to have a good relationship with the community,” he said. “Guam is our island and we need to give back.”

To volunteer with the command or for more information, call 366-3958, or e-mail [reynaldo.cabana@fe.navy.mil](mailto:reynaldo.cabana@fe.navy.mil).

**FREE**

**Karaoke Night**

Every Friday at the Silver Dolphin on Naval Base Guam (NBG) Ordnance Annex, 7 p.m. Open to all authorized Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) patrons. For more information, call 564-2280.

**Golf Clinic**

Every Saturday and Sunday from 9-10 a.m. at Admiral Nimitz Golf Course. No need to register! Just stop by to learn the basic fundamentals of the game of golf. For more information, call 344-5838/9.

**Tumbling for Tots**

Tumbling for Tots, an interactive play program for kids and parents, is available at the Hotspot Gym on Andersen Air Force Base (AFB) just down the walkway from the bowling center. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-noon. For more information, call the Hotspot at 366-2339.



**Children's Story Time**

Every Wednesday at NBG Library from 3:30-4 p.m. and at Andersen AFB Library from 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. For more information, call NBG at 564-1836 or Andersen AFB at 366-4291.

**UNDER \$10**

**Xtreme Midday Madness**

At NBG's Orote Point Lanes every Monday to Friday from 1-5 p.m. Bowl for only \$5 (shoes not included)! For more information, call 564-1828.

**Willie's Beachside Jazz**

At Bamboo Willie's every Sunday from 5-8 p.m., enjoy a relaxing evening at the beach while you listen to great jazz music. For more information, call 653-9814.

**Tuesday Fajita Night**

At Andersen AFB's Café Latte every Tuesday from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Base price starts at only \$2.95 and you can build your own fajitas! For more information, call 366-6166.

**Texas Hold'em Night**

Texas Hold'em tournaments are held every Tuesday starting at 6 p.m. in Hightides Enlisted Lounge at the Top of the Rock (Andersen AFB). Play is free for Club Members and \$5 for non-members. Weekly prizes are awarded. Open to ages 18 and older. For more information, call Top of the Rock at 366-6166.

**Wing Night**

At Café Latte (Andersen AFB) every Thursday from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Load up your plate with wings for only 35 cents per ounce! For more information, call 366-6166.

**Bowl Your Brains Out**

At Andersen AFB's Gecko Lanes, every Monday from 6-10 p.m. Bowl all you want for just \$5! For more information, call 366-5085.

**TGIF Night**

Enjoy your favorite beverages and social hour snacks every Friday in Hightides Enlisted Lounge beginning at 4 p.m. Unwind and enjoy a game of pool or darts with your friends. For more information, call 366-6166.

**Saturday Nights at Bamboo Willies**

They'll be cranking up the karaoke machine, so come on down and have some fun. There will be lots of giveaways. The Bamboo Willie's menu will be available and there will be beverage specials. For more information, call 366-6166.

**\$10 AND UP**

**Breakfast at Café Latte**

Café Latte at the Top of the Rock (Andersen AFB) offers breakfast from 6:30-9:30 a.m. Monday through Friday and 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Saturday. Enjoy your morning coffee along with all your traditional breakfast favorites, plus a variety of breakfast burritos and sandwiches. For more information, call 366-6166.



**FRIDAY, SEPT 2**

7 p.m. Winnie The Pooh (G)

**SATURDAY, SEPT 3**

2 p.m. Winnie The Pooh (G)  
7 p.m. Friends With Benefits (R)

**SUNDAY, SEPT 4**

7 p.m. Friends With Benefits (R)

The movie schedule is subject to change due to circumstances beyond Meehan Theaters on Andersen Air Force Base.

**The Meehan Theater hotline is 366-1523.**



**FRIDAY, SEPT 2**

7 p.m. Smurfs (PG)  
9:30 p.m. Friends With Benefits (R)

**SATURDAY, SEPT 3**

1 p.m. Zookeeper (PG-13)  
3:30 p.m. Captain America: The First Avenger (PG-13)  
7 p.m. Cowboys & Aliens (PG-13)

**SUNDAY, SEPT 4**

1 p.m. Winnie The Pooh (G)  
3:30 p.m. Harry Potter and The Deathly Hallows: Part 2 (PG-13)  
7 p.m. Crazy Stupid Love (PG-13)

The schedule is subject to change due to circumstances beyond the theater's control. **The Big Screen Theatre hotline is 564-1831 or visit mwr-guam.com.**

*(Source: Navy Morale, Welfare and Recreation Office)*

## Chapel Schedule

### Naval Base Guam

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

### Roman Catholic Mass

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30 p.m.  
 Sunday Mass: 9:30 a.m.  
 Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 5 p.m. and Sunday, 9 a.m.

### Protestant Worship Service

Sunday Service: Traditional Service: 8 a.m.  
 Contemporary Service: 11 a.m.  
 Women's Bible Study: Monday, 9 a.m.  
 Men's Bible Study: Wednesday, 6 p.m.  
 Prayer Time: Thursday, 11:30 a.m.  
 Choir Practice: Traditional: Wednesday, 6 p.m.  
 Choir Practice: Contemporary: Tuesday, 6 p.m.

### Jewish Shabbat

Friday, 6:30 p.m.

### Naval Hospital Guam

Roman Catholic Mass

Monday-Friday, 11:30 a.m.

Chapel of Hope: Sunday, 9 a.m.

### Protestant Services

Chapel of Hope: Sunday, 6:30 p.m.

Men's Bible Study: Every first and third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Interfaith Chapel, second floor, room H205

Women's Bible Study: Every second and fourth Saturday of the month at 8:30 a.m. at the Fellowship Hall, Building 61

### Andersen Air Force Base

#### Roman Catholic Mass

(Chapel 1)

Weekday Mass: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, 11:30 a.m.

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5 p.m.

Sunday Mass: 9:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 4:30-4:50 p.m.

Catholic Women of the Chapel: First and third Wednesday of the month, Chapel 1 Annex, 6:30 p.m.

Catholic Youth of the Chapel: Second and fourth Wednesday of the month, Chapel 1 Annex, 6:30 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal: Saturday 4-5 p.m. and Sunday, 8-9 a.m.

### Protestant Worship Service

Praise Service: Sunday, Chapel 2, 9 a.m.

Gospel Service: Sunday, Chapel 2, 11:30 a.m.

Emerging Worship Service: Sunday, Lighthouse, 6 p.m.

Protestant Women of the Chapel: Second Monday of each month, Chapel 2 Annex, 6:30 p.m.

Protestant Men of the Chapel: Wednesday, Lighthouse, 7 p.m.

Protestant Youth of the Chapel: Thursday, Chapel 2 Annex, 7 p.m.

Protestant Young Adults: Thursday and Saturday, Lighthouse, 6 p.m.

Protestant Sunday School: (September-May) Sunday, Chapel Activity Center, 10:15 a.m.

*Schedules subject to change. To confirm times or for information about other programs, call the chapels at:*

Andersen Air Force Base:

366-6139

U.S. Naval Base Guam

339-2126

U.S. Naval Hospital Guam:

344-9127

# Show appreciation to your volunteers

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When you stop consider some of the unique things about Navy life, you will quickly realize that for every seagoing Sailor there are many more people whose sole job is to support that Sailor. There are some to handle administrative affairs. There are others who take care of child care needs for his or her children. There are still more who make sure the Sailor receives good medical support. On and on the list goes, but often there are some Sailor supporters who we have a difficult time defining just exactly what they do. Intuitively, we know that our lives and our family's lives are made better because of them, but were just not sure why or how the magic happens. They go by many names and titles, but at the risk of overlooking some deserving soul, let's just call them the volunteers.

They are the least celebrated,

most overworked people any of us may endeavor to find, yet they receive no pay and often toil in total obscurity. They are the men and women who sort the donations at the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society. Many of them can be found among the Ombudsmen Assembly. Others diligently ensure we have another wonderful and relaxing experience at our local USO. Everyday we see them around the base and more often than not, we take their presence for granted.

I must admit that I have been guilty of taking these special people for granted, too. Before joining the military I served as a hospice chaplain in a small southern town. As a chaplain, one of my duties was to coordinate volunteers to provide comfort care to long-term patients

who had little or no family to care for or visit them. As you can imagine, finding volunteers to care of terminally-ill patients is no easy task. I am not proud to admit that when I found a good one, I usually worked them as hard as they could stand.

That is, until I learned the hard way that a good volunteer is worth treating right.

That hard lesson came to me in the form of a tough, 50-something, District of Columbia- native named Rosie. She was my number one all-time designated hitter. She never said no. I learned quickly that she could run on a compliment for weeks and I knew how to keep pouring on the coals. I could count on her for anything, day or night. This continued on for months unhindered by the restraint of good sense until one afternoon I received a troubling call. Rosie had

put her back out! Instantly, I had lost my most valuable player. Not only had I lost my MVP, but I had paid so little attention to my other volunteers that I no longer had the sway to inspire them to pick up the slack. I was in a fix. I made my bed hard and was now forced to lie in it! That very day I learned a management lesson that will stay with me forever – take the time to appreciate and take care of your volunteers.

It is my hope, at a time when opportunities abound around the base to honor volunteers, that all of my readers who happen to be leaders will take note of this hard-learned lesson and heed the warning. We have many unsung heroes without which we cannot accomplish our mission. If you lead or know a volunteer, take a few minutes to write a note of appreciation or spend a few dollars on a small gift. Whatever you do, make sure you pay them with the only currency volunteers ever expect – thank yous!



# Still Moments



Memorial Day Luncheon: Event participants pose for a photo during a Memorial Day luncheon and awards ceremony at the Hall of Governors in Adelup, Aug. 4. From left, Cmdr. Jonathan G. Montilla, Navy Operational Support Center (NOSC) Guam; Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Ryan O. Gordon, Navy Reserve Operational Health Support Unit Naval Medical Center San Diego Detachment Kilo, a unit under NOSC Guam; Guam Gov. Eddie Calvo; and Personnel Specialist 2nd Class Nathan Miranda, Navy Reserve Operational Support Unit 1903, a unit under NOSC Guam. (Photo courtesy of Cmdr. Jonathan G. Montilla)



Awards Ceremony: Event participants pose for a photo during a Memorial Day luncheon and awards ceremony at the Hall of Governors in Adelup, Aug. 4. From left, Harold Kirk, president, Fleet Reserve Association, Latte Stone Branch 73; Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Camille R. Gordon; Naval Hospital Guam Command Master Chief (SW/AW) Donald B. Singleton; Guam Gov. Eddie Calvo; Hospitalman James R. Brownlee, Hospitalman Jonah L. Thompson, and Hospitalman Edward Cook, all of Naval Hospital Guam. (Photo courtesy of Jonathan G. Montilla)

## Sports Shorts

The following is a list of sports and health-related activities held on U.S. Naval Base Guam. To submit your sports note, e-mail [jointregionedge@fe.navy.mil](mailto:jointregionedge@fe.navy.mil).

### We Will Never Forget Run/Walk

The "We Will Never Forget 9.11kms Run/Walk" will be held at the Sumay Cove Marina on U.S. Naval Base Guam Sept. 9. Show time is at 4:30 p.m. Go time is at 5 p.m. Preregister at the Charles King Fitness Center before Sept. 9. Registration day of the race starts at 4:30 p.m. For more information call 333-2049.

### Fall Youth Soccer League

The Fall Youth Soccer League, open to youth ages 4-12, has started and will run through Nov. 15. Registration is currently open. Practices will be held from 5:30-6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Player cards cost \$25 and can be purchased at the Guam Football Association office in Harmon. There is also a registration fee of \$20, which includes a jersey. For more information and practice locations, call 637-4321.

### Morale, Welfare and Recreation Swim Program

Register now for the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Swim Program. There are classes for all ages and skill levels. Learn to swim or just improve your stroke. June classes are in full swing and available at Charles King Fitness Center pool. For more information, call 333-2049.

### Group Fitness Age Compliance

All group fitness classes in the basketball court must comply with the basketball court's age policy. According to the policy, "youth 9 years old and younger must be under interactive supervision of an adult." The Family Fitness Room and drop-in child care are now available.

### Run Registration

Runners can now submit run registrations for Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR)-sponsored runs via e-mail. On the Fitness Program page of the MWR Web site, [www.mwrguam.com](http://www.mwrguam.com), click on the "NEW Run Registration Form" PDF under Additional Links and follow the instructions on the form. Pre-registration for all fitness events will end at 5 p.m. on Friday

of the week prior to the event.

The following is a list of sports and health-related activities held on Andersen Air Force Base. To submit your sports short, call 366-2228.

### Pre/Postnatal Exercise Class

The Coral Reef Fitness Center offers a low-intensity class designed for pregnant women and new mothers. A doctor's clearance form is required to participate. Forms can be picked up at the Fitness Center. For more information, call 366-6100.

### Zumba

Free Zumba classes are held at the Coral Reef Fitness Center. Zumba is a Latin fitness dance class that also incorporates aerobics movements. Zumba fuses hypnotic Latin rhythms and easy-to-follow moves to create a dynamic workout system that will blow you away. The routine features interval training sessions where fast and slow rhythms and resistance training are combined to tone and sculpt your body while burning fat. For more information, call 366-6100.

### Monday Driving Range Special

Save money when you take advantage of the Palm Tree Golf Course's Driving Range Special every Monday from 4-8 p.m. During this time, you can hit as many balls as you want for just \$5. For more information, call 366-4653.

### Monthly Green Fee Card

Palm Tree Golf Course can now save avid golfers big bucks! Golfers can now purchase a money-saving monthly green fee card for just \$40-\$60 per month depending on rank. What a deal! Purchase yours soon at Palm Tree Golf Course or call 366-4653 for more information.

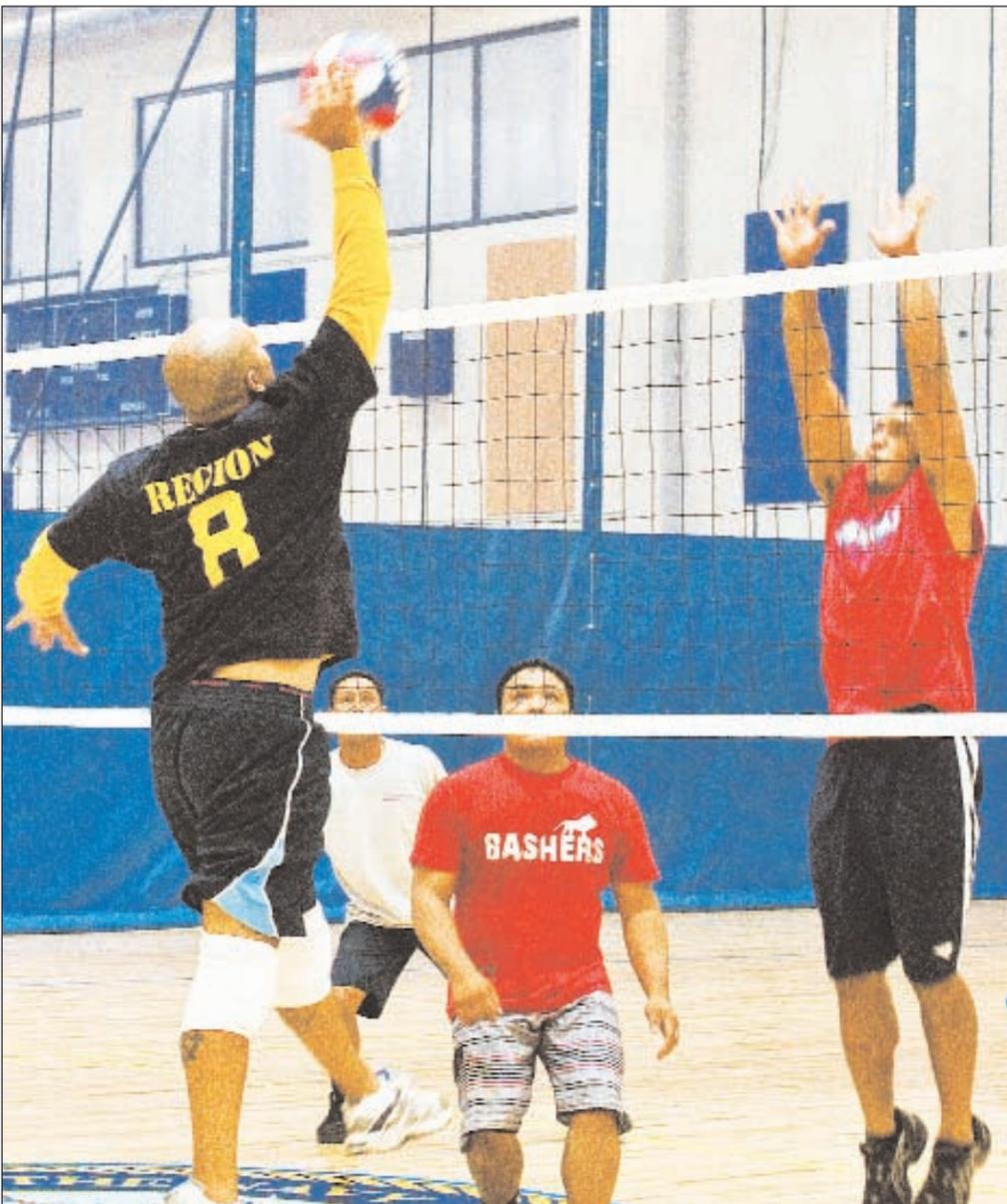
### Lap Swimming

The Andersen pool offers lap swimming outside the recreational swim hours. Lap swimming hours are 6-8 a.m. and 11 a.m.-noon Friday through Wednesday, 6-7 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. No lap swimming will be available Thursdays, weekends, holidays and down days. Also, the pool is looking for certified swimming instructors and lifeguards. For more information, call Outdoor Recreation at 366-5197 or Human Resources at 366-1189.



Victory Spike: A member of Team DZSP 21 spikes the ball on Team Joint Region Marianas during the Captain's Cup volleyball playoff round at Charles King Fitness Center on U.S. Naval Base Guam Aug 25. His spike helped secure a team victory as DZSP 21 dominated the Joint Region team taking the series two games to one. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class (SW) Corwin Colbert/Released)

## Team DZSP 21 dominates



Playoff Round: Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class (SW) Peter Lewis spikes the ball on Team DZSP 21 during a Captain's Cup volleyball playoff round at Charles King Fitness Center on U.S. Naval Base Guam Aug 25. His spike did little to secure a team victory as DZSP 21 dominated the Joint Region Marianas team taking the series two games to one. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class (SW) Corwin Colbert/Released)