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Blue Angels return to NAS Corpus Christi for spring air show

from NASCC Public Affairs

Naval Air Station Corpus Christi is gearing up for its first air show in four years – and everyone is invited!

The Navy's Blue Angels and "Fat Albert Airlines" are headlining the "Wings Over South Texas" air show on Saturday and Sunday, April 18-19.

Other highlights of the two-day event, include demonstrations by the Golden Knights, the U.S. Army Parachute Team.

Military and civilian acts are filling out the card to include: the U.S. Air Force's F-22 Raptor; Rob Holland in his MXS-RH; Randy Ball in his MiG-17F; Paul Fiala in his Great Lakes Bi-plane, and more - plus static displays of aircraft.

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The Navy's Blue Angels perform at the 2011 air show on board Naval Air Station Corpus Christi. They will be headlining the 2015 show on April 18-19. Photo by Rod Hafemeister

Solid Curtain - Citadel Shield 2015 exercise tests responses to active shooters, gate runners and more

by Rod Hafemeister

Gunshots shattered the workday routine in the Naval Air Station Corpus Christi headquarters building Feb. 3.

Office workers dashed to exits, hid under desks or barricaded their doors as the gunman stalked the halls, brandishing an assault rifle and shouting, "Where's that captain?"

But not an actual threat – it was a red rubber assault rifle and blanks from a pistol.

It was all part of an extensive "active shooter" exercise that tested everything from the immediate reactions of workers to security and emergency medical responses and even the post-event counseling for victims and emergency personnel.

Red cloths indicated wounded victims in the gunman's wake as security forces responded to emergency calls and conducted the dangerous job of searching for gunmen and clearing the building.

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Security forces search the Naval Air Station Corpus Christi headquarters building for an 'active shooter' during an exercise Feb. 3. The exercise was part of the Solid Curtain-Citadel Shield 2015 exercise, an annual exercise conducted on naval installations throughout the United States to test anti-terrorism and force protection procedures Feb. 2-13. Photo by Rod Hafemeister

CMC's Column

by Command Master Chief Rick Mathis



Mathis

was discipline.

Airplane pushups: When a jet took off from San Diego International Airport, the Chief would yell "UP!" and we held that position.

Then one would land he would yell "DOWN!"

For 30 years, they say I stood the watch.

Wow, time does fly!

I remember 30 years ago getting to San Diego for boot camp and thinking,

"What did I get myself into?"

Well, the first thing I learned

Longest damn pushups I ever had to do. But it taught me the rest of those pushups would be a lot easier during my 30-year career.

I have seen so many changes over the years in the military, some for good and some not.

It's very funny how the military is on a giant wheel that seems to repeat itself after so many years.

I love my country and I'm very proud I had a chance to serve.

I have no regrets joining the military, especially after seeing what my father went through in the Army during the Vietnam War. Our society changes all the time, and I'm glad it has, in some ways.

I respect the Navy like no other military out there – and have memories that will stick with me forever.

Seeing a ship get underway, heading to sea for months and months with a crew of 200

or so of us who would take care of everything.

We repaired things, we trained and we worked super hard during those deployments.

We would always get the job done right the first time!

The comradery with the friends you went to war with and went on liberty with.

The Navy has allowed me to travel all over the world and it was the best feeling inside when you got home from deployments.

That's what I'll miss most about the Navy – having that Shipmate that will put himself or herself in danger to save your life.

Shipmate's it's been a great adventure for my wife and me, but now it's our turn to live life to the fullest.

Take care of yourselves and please never get mad at me, now that I'm retired and I'm blocking the coffee aisle in the commissary.....

CMDCM Mathis will hold a retirement ceremony April 23; watch for time and place.

Turning Over The Watch

Chaplain's Message

by Fr. John Vidal

The assassination of Christians in the Middle East this week has caused me to wonder what has happened to the moral compass of the world and, closer to home, the moral compass of this country.

It occurs to me that I can't do much about the moral compass of the world and my impact on our Country's compass I can only influence by exercising my right to vote.

However, I can do something about my own moral compass and hopefully, by making sure it is calibrated, influencing my neighbor to help me call the world back to fighting for justice.

Our parents and the adults that formed us taught us all a moral compass, but the reality is that we often stray from it.

Today, Ash Wednesday, hundreds of millions of Christians will begin the Lenten season where we work on improving our lives and building good spiritual, moral and physical habits.

But it is hard to know what to work on if we don't take stock of our lives and compare them to that moral compass that we were given.

Whether or not we are Christian, this spring is a perfect opportunity to take a look at our lives and examine how well we are

aligned with our Faith and its tenants and how closely we are following those important lessons that we were taught in our youth.

There are many ways to do this.

I would suggest that it would be advantageous for each of us to take a bit of time each morning or evening to review our day and look at what we've done right and wrong as measured against our values and faith.

Where can we improve? Some questions you might ask yourself are:

Am I concerned with defending the life of all people?

Am I living into my faith and calling the world to justice?

Am I spending the right amount of time with my spouse and children? Is it quality time?

Am I honoring my mother and father?

Am I teaching my children good moral values? Am I doing it by example as well as by word?

Are there people with whom I need to reconcile? Family? Friends? Co-workers?

Where can I spend more time helping others around me?

Am I contributing positively to my society and country?

A Moral Compass

Do I have a faith community and participate in its worship and outreach?

Do I have a good relationship with God?

What am I doing well that I should improve on?

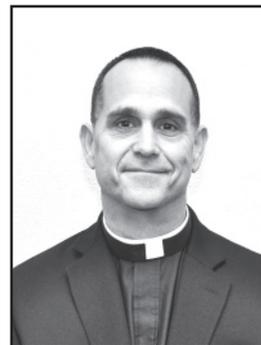
What are the things that tempt me to stray from what is right?

I could go on and on with questions like these, but I'm sure by now you get the hang of what I'm suggesting.

Once you do this, if you're a Catholic or of another Christian tradition that practices a Lenten discipline, then you've got a head start on the season.

If you are not, you can still use these ideas to set some goals that will help you strengthen your life and align it with those moral values that you learned as a youth.

I am sure that if each one of us does this, we will not only improve our own lives, but the lives of those around us will be enriched as well. May God bless you.



Vidal

Editor's Corner Wingspan Update – Print Returning!

by Rod Hafemeister

If you have missed the paper copy of the Wingspan, we have good news: we have a contract to return to a print version!

It's been eight months since we had to go digital-only, but the long process of working with contracting officials to refine a statement of work, get notifications out, solicit bids, evaluate bids and finally get a contract awarded has been completed.

If you remember the "look" of the print version – bright white paper, sharp photos – you should be seeing the same kind of product.

The publishing contract was awarded to the Port Lavaca Wave, which previously printed the Wingspan as a subcontractor. So the paper should have the same quality.

The contract takes effect March 1, but we

won't be printing quite that soon.

The publisher needs time to sell advertising – that's how the Navy gets a newspaper at no cost to the government – and arrange the distribution.

Right now, we're planning the first "hot off the presses" print version the last week of March. For story ideas and more info, email nascc-pao@navy.mil.

Wingspan

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Worship Services

CATHOLIC WORSHIP SERVICE

Base Catholic Chapel
Daily Mass Wed-Fri: 11:30 a.m.
Sunday Mass: 9 a.m.
Religious Education: Sunday - 10:00 a.m.

PROTESTANT WORSHIP SERVICE

Base Protestant Chapel
Sunday Service: 10:00 a.m.

JEWISH WORSHIP SERVICE

Temple Beth El (4402 Saratoga Blvd.)
Friday at 7:30 p.m.
(with dinner to follow)
For further information call
Temple Beth El at 857-8181

ISLAMIC WORSHIP SERVICE

Islamic Society of South Texas
(7341 McArdle Rd.)
Jumah Service – 1:30 p.m.
For other worship service times, call 992-8550

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On both days, the Main (Flour Bluff) Gate will open at 8 a.m., with the show beginning at 10 a.m. with the Golden Knights jumping onto the seawall with the National Ensign.

The air show will close with the U.S. Navy's Demonstration Team, the Blue Angels. Their performance will end at 4 p.m.

On Saturday, the air show will be followed by a free concert.

The air show planning committee is working on a full day of flying acts, static displays and others activities that will thrill and excite visitors young and old, including a KidsZone.

More details to follow.

In the meantime, know that the air show is free. Parking is free.

Tailgating and parties are not allowed in the parking area. No open fires or grills.

Everyone entering the air show must pass through walk-through metal detectors and scanner checkpoints at the pedestrian gate.

Visitors may bring child and infant care items, portable lawn chairs, cameras, sunscreen, small handbags and diaper bags.

Prohibited items include:

- contraband – illegal substances and weapons such as firearms, knives, pepper spray, stun guns, etc.,
- coolers,
- cooking grills,
- pop-up tents,
- large sun umbrellas,
- backpacks and large carry-all bags,
- animals/pets unless they are service animals,
- bicycles, skateboards and roller blades,
- kites, balloons and radio-controlled devices
- fireworks.



Top, the crew of 'Fat Albert,' the C-130 Hercules aircraft that provides logistical support to the Blue Angels, puts on a show of their own as part of the 2011 NAS Corpus Christi air show.

Left, members of the 2011 Blue Angels team sign autographs for fans after their flight demonstration.

Below, a member of the Army's Golden Knights performs a 'flag jump' to open an air show demonstration.

Photos by Rod Hafemeister and courtesy Golden Knights

More information about the NAS Corpus Christi 2015 air show can be found on Wings Over South Texas Facebook page,

<https://www.facebook.com/wost2014> or at www.wingsoversouthtexas.com.

Questions can also be directed to nascc-pao@navy.mil.



February is Black History Month

from DEOMI Public Affairs

PATRICK AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. – In observance of African American/Black History Month, celebrated each year during the month of February, the Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute (DEOMI) has released original artwork available for download from DEOMI's public website, www.deomi.org.

"The idea for this year's poster came from the Association for the Study of African American Life and History's Theme Executive Summary, proclaiming A Century of Black Life, History, and Culture as the 2015 National Black History Theme," said Peter Hemmer, DEOMI Illustrator.

"The theme is represented by the use of 100 names gathered from various professions and events to signify 100 years of history.

"The flag reference of red and white stripes is used to symbolize America while creating a vehicle for organizing the text."

Over the past century, African American life, history, and culture have become major forces in the United States and the world.

In 1915, few could have imagined that African Americans in music, art, and literature would become appreciated by the global community.

Fewer still could have predicted the prominence achieved by African Americans, as well as other people of African descent, in shaping world politics, war, and diplomacy.

Indeed, it was nearly universally believed that Africans and people of African descent had played no role in the unfolding of history and were a threat to American civilization itself.

A century later, few can deny the centrality of African Americans in the making of American history.

This transformation is the result of effort, not chance.

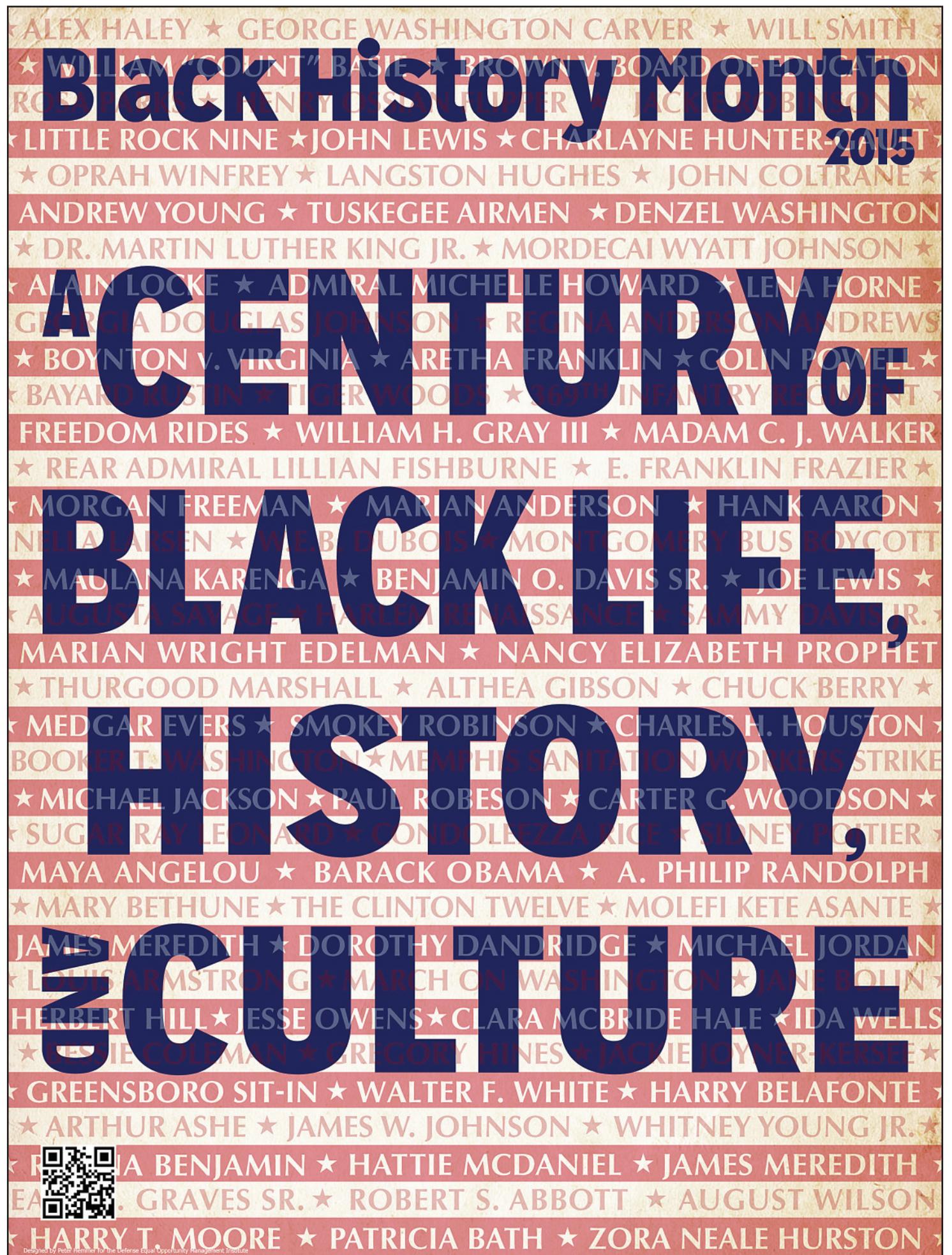
Confident that their struggles mattered in human history, black scholars, artists, athletes, and leaders self-consciously used their talents to change how the world viewed African Americans.

The New Negro of the post-World War I era made modernity their own and gave the world a cornucopia of cultural gifts, including jazz, poetry based on the black vernacular, and an appreciation of African art.

African American athletes dominated individual and team sports transforming baseball, track-and-field, football, boxing, and basketball.

In a wave of social movements, African American activism transformed race relations, challenged American foreign policy, and became the American conscience on human rights.

At the dawn of these strivings and at all points along the road, the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, now the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH) has played a vital role.



When he founded the Association in 1915, Carter G. Woodson labored under the belief that historical truth would crush falsehoods and usher in a new era of equality, opportunity, and racial democracy, and it has

been its charge for a century.

In honor of this milestone, ASALH has selected "A Century of Black Life, History, and Culture" as the 2015 National Black History theme.

For more information on Black History Month and other special observances, including resources for conducting your own, see the Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute website: <http://www.deomi.org/>

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Finding the shooter “dead” from a self-inflicted gunshot didn’t end their job, as they had to clear each room, one at a time, and treat each person within as a potential shooter or accomplice until cleared.

Emergency medics followed, triaging the wounded and ordering treatment.

A military working dog team searched the building a second time, looking for anyone hiding.

Counselors met with security personnel, workers and others to help them deal with the experience.

The exercise was one of several included in the Solid Curtain-Citadel Shield 2015 exercise Feb. 2-13.

Solid Curtain-Citadel Shield is an annual force protection and anti-terrorism exercise conducted on naval installations throughout the United States.

It uses realistic scenarios to ensure Navy security forces maintain a high level of readiness to respond to changing and dynamic threats – and ensure the safety of Sailors, Navy civilians and contractors, and family members.

Another scenario centered around a drunk driver running the gate.

Acting as if intoxicated and thinking the gate was a toll booth, the driver threw change at the gate guard and drove through.

A chase ensued, the vehicle was stopped and the driver taken into custody.

A search revealed a passenger hiding in the vehicle; he was also taken into custody.

A third scenario involved a “suspicious photographer.”

The “suspect” parked his vehicle on the side of the road as he stood outside and took photographs of the area.

While the photographer was staged at a distance within view of the Main Gate sentries, the exercise safety observer noted that the heavy traffic and commercial vehicles obstructed the sentries’ view.

But at least five reports were immediately made by people who witnessed the suspect taking photos and reported that to the sentries as they entered the air station.

“This is critical, as it enabled Security to initiate a response,” said Lt. Robert Long, the NASCC security officer.

“While this was an exercise, its intention was not to appear as one in hopes that witnesses would make appropriate reports to the sentries in order to initiate a response by Security.

“The reports were better than expected and resulted in a successful exercise.

“Had the witnesses not taken the appropriate step to notify the sentries, the risk is such suspicious activities can go undetected, compromising the very safety and security of the installation and their people.”

Overall, the series of exercise was very successful, Long said.

Lessons learned will be incorporated in future training to continue to maintain a high level of readiness to respond to a threat at any time.



(Left) A gunman stalks the headquarters building of Naval Air Station Corpus Christi during an ‘active shooter’ exercise Feb. 3.

(below) Workers who were hiding in an office during the ‘active shooter’ exercise are searched and cleared by security forces while an evaluator (in yellow vest) observes. Terrorists have been known to pretend to be victims, so each person has to be treated as a suspect until cleared.

Photos by Rod Hafemeister

(bottom left) Security officer handcuffs an apparently intoxicated ‘gate runner’ while another officer searches the vehicle as an evaluator observes.

Photos by Fifi Kieschnick



If You See Something, Say Something

As the suspicious photographer scenario demonstrated, security is enhanced by everyone – service members, civilians and dependants, regardless of command – reporting anytime they see something suspicious.

“If you see something, say something.”

Suspicious behaviors may include:

- Unauthorized attempts to enter the installation by bypassing security measures.
- Attempting to break into a restricted area.
- Personnel observed in areas that are not normally occupied at that time of day or night.
- Taking pictures of infrastructure.
- Clothing inappropriate for the environment.

For non-emergency events, reports can be made to Security 24-7 by multiple means, such as:

- in person at Building 104,
- by telephone to the Watch Commander at 361-961-2082 (office) and 361-533-7953 (cell)
- or in person to any Security Sentry. Dial 911 for emergencies.

Remember, if dialing 911 via a cell phone, ensure to inform the Corpus Christi Emergency Dispatcher that the emergency is onboard NAS Corpus Christi.

When dialing 911 via a landline onboard NAS Corpus Christi, the Regional Dispatch Center in Jacksonville, Florida will receive the call and will immediately dispatch Security.

Everyone alert keeps everyone safer.

Awards and Achievements

Winging — February 6



Photo by Hugh Lieck Event Photography

Winging officials, from left: Cmdr. Arthur Hodge, executive officer, VT-35; Cmdr. Rick Van Derostyne, chief staff officer, TW-4; Lt. Cmdr. Stephen Warne, Chaplain; Lt. Col. Edward Hastings, operations officer, MATSG-22; Cmdr. Matthew Foster, commanding officer, VT-31; Col. John Rahe JR., commanding officer, MATSG-22; Capt. John Kelsey, commodore, TW-4.

Wingees, in alphabetical order: 1st Lt. Peter Josef Arensdorf, USMC; 1st Lt. Zachary John Behler, USMC; Lt. j.g. Matthew J. Conlon; 1st Lt. Thomas H. Deloach, USMC; Ensign Travis D. Edmond; Lt. j.g. Shane S. Gordon; Ensign Brandon Nathaniel Griffin; Lt. j.g. Blake P. Gundram; Ensign Allison J. Haas; Lt. j.g. Jediah N. Hendershot; Lt. j.g. Louis E. Henry; Ensign Mark Gregory Hissner; Ensign Andrew A. Labrecque; Lt. j.g. David C. Lambard Jr.; Ensign Miles E. Mcgee; Ensign Steven J. Mehr; Ensign Brian E. Perlman; Ensign Brooke L. Pitcher; Ensign Robert Jerome Podolinski; 1st Lt. Ari W. Polivy, USMC; 1st Lt. Mark R. Schaffer, USMC; 1st Lt. Stephen Anthony Smith, USMC; Lt. j.g. Amber E. Somma; 1st Lt. Benjamin Mark Weiss, USMC; Lt. j.g. Bradley M. Wilkin.

NASCC Awards - February 12



NASCC Sailors of the Quarter, First Quarter fiscal year 2015. From left: ACAN Ricardo Perez, Blue Jacket of the Quarter; CS2 Lakedra Williams, Junior Sailor of the Quarter; and AO1 Jasmin Shackelford, Sailor of the Quarter.



NASCC civilian awards, CY 2014. From left: Carolyn Scheible, Manager of the Year; Jason Krause, Senior Civilian of the Year; Octavio Flores, Civilian of the Year; Guillermo Trevino, Senior Civilian, 4th Quarter 2014. Photos by Rod Hafemeister

DoD launches child care website to ease moving transitions

by Terri Moon Cronk, DoD News, Defense Media Activity

WASHINGTON (NNS) – The Department of Defense has expanded to Coastal Bend bases a pilot program to help military families find child care.

As military families move frequently and face a host of concerns, finding child care can be one of the greatest challenges, said Barbara Thompson, director of military community and policy's office of family policy/children and youth/special needs.

To streamline and standardize what can be a daunting search, the Defense Department unveiled **MilitaryChildCare.com**, an online resource to help military, DoD civilian and contractor families find an array of military-operated and military-subsidized child care options for children between the ages of 4 weeks and 12 years.

Child Care Affects the Force

"Child care is a workforce issue that impacts the readiness and retention of the force," Thompson said.

"As families relocate to other areas, it's really challenging to make sure your child care needs are being met, and this tool gives parents an opportunity in advance to find those child care spots that will work for the family."

MilitaryChildCare.com is a "single gateway" for families to enter as they request child care, she said.

Of the 200,000 children DoD serves in child care, more than 50 percent are younger than age 3.

"It's very difficult to find infant and toddler care in the civilian community," she said.

"[DoD has] young families with young

children and we really feel that we're providing a high-quality environment for those babies and toddlers [with the website]."

Families can customize their search, put their children on waiting lists and monitor requests for placement, Thompson said.

"The idea is that you have choices, and you see the array pictorially of what's available at those locations," she said.

A help desk online and at 1-855-696-2934, toll-free, is also available to help personalize families' searches.

Pilot Program Expanding

The website initiative used focus groups comprising child care staff and parents, with a goal of making the website functional and intuitive to make sure families can easily navigate the system, Thompson said.

A pilot program also was conducted in the study at numerous installations over the past 18 months at Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada, for the Air Force, Hawaii for the Army, Hawaii and San Diego for the Marine Corps, and Hawaii, San Diego, Key West, Bahrain, Meridian and Singapore for the Navy.

Recently, 13 more installations were added to the website in addition to the pilot programs, including Naval Air Station Corpus Christi and Naval Air Station Kingsville.

The others are:

- Naval Air Facility El Centro, California;
- Naval Air Station Fallon, Nevada;
- Naval Air Station Joint Readiness Base Fort Worth, Texas;
- Naval Air Station Joint Readiness



Military service means frequent moves, with new homes means new searches for child care. MilitaryChildCare.com is a DoD website designed to help families find child care.

US Navy photo

- Base, New Orleans, Louisiana;
- Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake, California;
- Naval Air Station Lemoore, California;
- Naval Support Activity Monterey, California;
- Naval Base Ventura County, California;
- Naval Station Everett, Washington;
- Naval Base Kitsap, Washington;

- Naval Air Station Whidbey Island, Washington.

The child care website is expected to be fully functional worldwide in September 2016, Thompson said, adding that it will remain a work in progress as it takes in feedback from parents for improvements.

To learn more, go to <http://militarychildcare.com>

February Pilot for a Day Alaina 'Doodlebug' Bily



Alaina 'Doodlebug' Bily was treated to the Pilot for a Day experience Feb. 11. Above, she receives a survival equipment demonstration from Jesse Navaira from L3 Vertex. Right, Lt. Kyle Vanheest, an instructor pilot from VT-35, explains the props on a TC-12 to Alaina and her best friend Zoe as mother Kelly and Capt. Joel Frederick look on.

Photos by Richard Stewart



Five easy ways to get involved in Military Saves Week, save successfully

by Fred Davis, CNIC N91 Personal Financial Management Analyst

Military Saves Week, Feb. 23-28, is a chance for individuals to assess their savings and take financial action.

Did you know that only half of Americans report having good savings habits?

Now is the time to take action and Set a Goal. Make a Plan. Save Automatically.

Take the time this week to select a savings goal and create a plan to save for it.

Here are five easy ways to get involved in Military Saves Week:

1. Pledge to save. Those with a savings plan are twice as likely to save for emergencies and retirement as those without a plan. Join the more than 350,000 people who have already committed to save. When you take the pledge, you can also choose to receive text message tips and reminders to help you save for your goal.

2. Discover your savings options. Use tools and resources from the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (FINRA) Investor Education Foundation, a Military Saves partner. This foundation's www.saveandinvest.org website can be used to educate yourself on retirement and other savings resource.

3. Saver checklist: Evaluate your savings preparedness. This checklist is made up of characteristics of successful savers, which include debt management. It can serve as a useful starting point for evaluating one's savings preparedness.



4. Share your savings goal. People save more successfully when they have a goal in mind. Write your goals down, so you can put your savings goal into perspective and share it.

5. Share savings tips and advice with family and friends. On Twitter and Facebook? Share these social media posts with your friends and followers to encourage them to save.

Military Saves Week is coordinated by Military Saves, a partner in the Department of Defense (DOD) Financial Readiness Campaign that seeks to motivate, support, and encourage military families to save money, reduce debt and build wealth.

Started in 2007, Military Saves Week is an annual opportunity for installations and organizations to promote good savings behavior and a chance for service members and their families to assess their own saving status.

For more info, visit:
www.militarysaves.org.

NHCCC Sailors promote fitness



NHCCC Health & Fitness Champions Feb. 8, in the Natural Bridge Caverns Half Marathon. From left, runners Jacqueline Trenez, TRICARE; HM2 Jeric Martin; HM1 Erickson Salonga; HM1 Fremmy Cuadra, HM1 Samuel McCoskey, and HM2 Lucia Porterfield began 600 feet into the Natural Bridge Cavern system and navigated winding pathways and up switchbacks to the cave's exit. The 13.1 mile route included pavement, caliche roads, jeep trails, single tracks, as well as some challenging climbs through scenic San Antonio Back Country. *Courtesy photo*

USNA Women's Glee Club



FREE Concert!

Tuesday, March 17, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.
Corpus Christi Cathedral
505 Upper Broadway, Corpus Christi, Texas
FREE ADMISSION ~ Doors open at 6:30 p.m.
For VIP Seating call (361) 888-7444

USNA Women's Glee Club to perform

from USNA Public Affairs

Annapolis, MD – The internationally-acclaimed U.S. Naval Academy Women's Glee Club will appear as Guest Artists on the Cathedral Concert Series in Corpus Christi on Tuesday, March 17, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.

The Women's Glee Club will perform at the Corpus Christi Cathedral, located at 505 Upper Broadway, at 7:30 p.m. Free admission and no tickets required. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

The Naval Academy Women's Glee Club travels regularly around the country, representing the Naval Academy and the naval service.

The Glee Club has received international acclaim for their performances over the past decade in Hawaii, Arizona, Florida and Phoenix.

The ensemble's 10-day performing tour to Brazil in 2010 garnered international acclaim from ambassadors and state department officials.

"I am excited to be able to bring this premier ensemble to Corpus Christi," said Cindy Bauchspies, Director of the Glee Club.

"We are looking forward to performing at The Cathedral, a church that was built for making great music in a great space.

"This is a perfect venue for our talented midshipmen who will add their voices to the artistry of past performances that resonate in this sacred space."

Midshipmen Third Class Luisandrea Diaz, a Corpus Christi resident and recent graduate of Foy H. Moody High School is looking forward to performing in her home town before family and friends.

"As a sophomore in high school, I attended a concert by the USNA Men's Glee Club at the Corpus Christi Cathedral and after that performance, and meeting and speaking with the midshipmen about the opportunities that the Naval Academy could offer me, I was

ready to apply for admission," she said.

"Being a member of the Women's Glee Club is a highlight of my experience at USNA."

Also featured on the concert program will be Monte Maxwell, world-renowned organist who is the Director of Chapel Music and Principal organist at the U.S. Naval Academy.

Maxwell is a graduate of Texas Christian University, The Curtis Institute and The Juilliard School of Music and has performed throughout North and South America, Europe and Asia.

Founded in 1845, the U.S. Naval Academy today is a prestigious four-year service academy that prepares midshipmen morally, mentally and physically to be professional officers in the naval service.

More than 4,400 men and women representing every state in the U.S. and several foreign countries make up the student body, known as the Brigade of Midshipmen.

Midshipmen learn from an academic faculty, comprised of both military and civilian professors and participate in intercollegiate varsity sports and extracurricular activities.

They also study subjects to include small arms, drill, seamanship and navigation, tactics, naval engineering and weapons, leadership, ethics and military law.

Upon graduation, midshipmen earn a taxpayer funded Bachelor of Science degree in a choice of 25 different academic majors and go on to serve at least five years of exciting and rewarding service as commissioned officers in the U.S. Navy or the U.S. Marine Corps.

For more information on USNA Women's Glee Club, please visit www.usna.edu/music.

For more information about the Naval Academy, visit www.usna.edu or the Naval Academy's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/USNavalAcademy.



Teens EXPLORE UT

THE BIGGEST OPEN HOUSE IN TEXAS
at University Texas - Austin
with NAS Corpus Christi & NAS Kingsville Youth & Teen Center
Ages 13 - 18
March 7 - 8, 2015
\$50.00

includes Lodging, lunch on Saturday and sandwiches on Sunday.
Youth will be responsible for dinner on Saturday.

**Mandatory Parents Meeting will be held on February 12, 2015 at 1900
at the Youth Activities Center.**



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

March 7, 2015	
0730	Depart Starplex Movie Theatre Parking Lot
1100 - 1200	Arrive at UT Austin
1100 - 1700	Explore UT
1715	Depart to Hotel in San Antonio
1930	Arrive at Hotel
1830	Dinner with Group
2200	Light's Out
March 8, 2015	
0730 - 1000	Wake Up; Eat Breakfast
1030 - 1100	Depart to Austin, TX
1200	State Capital Building Tour
1400	Depart to Corpus Christi Starplex Movie Theatre Parking Lot
1800	Approximate return to Starplex Movie theatre Parking Lot

Registration Deadline: February 26, 2015 - 5:00 pm
Register at the Youth & Teen Center in building 1756.
Payment is due at time of registration.

For more information please call 961-2355.

Need a minimum of 5 youth/teens for trip to take place.



**SPRING BREAK CAMP
OFFERS:**

Breakfast, Lunch & Afternoon Snack

Cooking Activities

Boys and Girls Club of America Programming /4H Programming

For more information, please call 961-2355.



Youth Activities Center Spring Break CAMP March 16 - 20, 2015

Who is eligible for Camp? Full Day Camp for children ages 5 years (already in kindergarten) - 12 years.

Hours of Operation: 0530 - 1800

How can I register my child for Camp? Patrons may call the Youth Activities Center, Bldg. 1756 at (361) 961-2355, to obtain information, request the application packet be e-mailed or arrange for an application packet readied for pickup at the Youth Activities Center.

How much does Camp cost? Fees are based on total household income and the registration package needs to be turned in with copies of paycheck stubs. If your child has any medical issues, additional paperwork is required and must be completed and processed before entry into Youth Programs - all Camps, SAC to accommodate your child.

Eligibility: Space is limited to 60 kids. Before and After School enrolled children have priority for Spring Break Camp but are not automatically registered. Before and After School enrolled children must register and pay for camp NLT March 2, 2015.

Drop in care is available if space is available. Please call ahead to check if space is available.



Challenge

At the Fitness Express

March 9 - 13, 2015

0500 - 2200

- \$10 Entry Fee for civilians and full-time contactors.
- Participants are required to lift a total of 10 tons or 20,000 pounds.
- Men have 45 minutes to complete the challenge and females have an hour.
- Participants must schedule a session with the trainer on Duty; the trainer will verify the amount of weight lifted as well as the time.
- Participants must choose an upper body exercise and a lower body exercise. Both exercises must be performed.
- Individuals who complete the challenge will receive a Navy Fitness T-Shirt and will be inducted into the "10 Ton Club"

For more information, please call 961-3164.

Tickets Available at ITT, bldg. 1757

Tickets Going Fast! Hurry in Today!



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March 12, 2015

Game Time 7:00 pm

AT&T Center in San Antonio

Tickets

\$124.25 Each



For more information, please call 961-3961.