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Commodore Curtin to turn over Training Air Wing Four

Story and photo by Rod Hafemeister

Capt. Rex Curtin says he has loved the job as commodore of Training Wing Four, but he's ready to turn it over.

"I'm ready to move on to the next big adventure," he said.

Curtin will turn over command of Training Wing four to Capt. John L. "Chip" Kelsey, who is arriving from US Africa Command headquarters, in a ceremony following the June 6 Winging ceremony.

The change of command will be almost exactly three years since Curtin arrived at NAS Corpus Christi, and two years after he assumed the position of commodore.

The first year was spent working on the staff of the Chief of Naval Air Training, including as interim chief of staff—part of an interesting career that began with SEAL training.

A repetitive stress injury ended that dream – but the Navy needed pilots and Curtin earned his wings in 1991 and became a P-3 Orion pilot.

He also did some surface warfare time and some staff jobs, while picking up an MBA in financial management and a master's in strategic resource management.

Which brings him to his next job, on the Navy staff as comptroller in the Air Warfare Directorate, making recommendations and tracking funding for all Navy aviation programs – responsible for about \$154 billion in spending.

"A green eyeshade wearing giant bean counter," he said.

Curtin said he's very confident he's leaving the wing in good shape.

Some previous commodores spent a lot of their time in the cockpit, teaching student pilots.

At the time, that was necessary to meet flying goals, Curtin said.

But the downside of that was that much of the headquarters/administration functions were given scant attention, he said.

So Curtin and his chief staff officer decided at least one of them needed to be in the office all the time – and besides, there weren't enough aircraft for all the instructors to get enough flying time anyway.

"Yes, I want to go fly – but my place is not in the plane right now," Curtin said.

"I can go to the flight line, hang out in the wardroom or the student

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Capt. Rex Curtin at a recent Winging talks to graduating student pilots about traditions like commander's coins and 'first salutes' – and how some, like 'blood wings,' are no longer appropriate.

CCAD Wins Army Superior Unit Award for Fiscal Year 2012

by Brigitte Rox, CCAD Public Affairs

The Corpus Christi Army Depot was recognized with the Army Superior Unit Award May 21 for their support in maintaining helicopters when the Army needed them the most.

This significant honor reflects organizational excellence and unrelenting mission focus.

Army Aviation and Missile Command Commander, Maj. Gen. Lynn A. Collyar, presented CCAD with the ASUA certificate and streamer for accomplishments achieved in Fiscal Year 2012 during his visit to the depot.

"Thanks for being here and thanks for what you do day in and day out to make this depot successful and to keep our Army strong," he said to the crowd gathered in front of the CCAD headquarters during

the award ceremony.

In 2012, the mostly civilian depot workforce produced 110 aircraft, including 50 UH-60 Black Hawk recapitalizations that were expeditiously returned to the Warfighter.

At the same time, CCAD produced 33,000 end-items and components for the customer.

The workforce utilized process improvements that lowered program costs and shortened the program's turnaround time per aircraft and component. Some of those improvements included internal employee innovation, lean production techniques, adaptation of industry's best practices, and a massive cultural shift to a business mindset.

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Maj. Gen. Lynn Collyar presents CCAD with ASUA streamer for their support in maintaining helicopters when the Army needed them the most. This significant honor reflects organizational excellence and unrelenting mission focus. Photo by Ervey Martinez

Skipper's Column Make Family Plans Before Need

by Capt. Dave Edgecomb



Edgecomb

Last time, I talked about preparing for hurricane season in the workplace.

This time, I'd like to get more personal and suggest ways to prepare your home and family.

Last week, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

issued its predictions for the 2014 Atlantic hurricane season, which includes the Caribbean and Gulf of Mexico.

NOAA expects this year to be "near-normal or below-normal," with 8-13 named storms, three to six hurricanes and one or two major hurricanes. But it only takes one to make landfall to cause a major disaster.

In our recent Citadel Gale hurricane exercise, we simulated a direct hit from a Cat 4 hurricane – an event that, in reality, would require evacuation of everyone from the Air Station and would leave massive damage in its wake.

The decision on whether or not to order an evacuation depends on the best estimates of storm intensity and where it will come ashore – things that often are not very clear.

That means in most cases an evacuation order would be issued between 48 and 72 hours before the storm hits – meaning it is important to have a plan and a "ready kit" you can grab on short notice and hit the road ... already knowing where you are going and how to get there.

For my family, that means my wife takes my truck, our son and our horse and the dog and heads inland with essential records and some basic supplies.

Everyone should have, at a minimum, essential family records, medicines, contact information and some cash.

It's a good idea to have photo documentation of any valuables you would have to leave behind, for insurance purposes.

And depending on the expected intensity of a storm, we may not order an evacuation.

But that would mean you need to be prepared to ride it out – including the likelihood that power, water and other services could be disrupted for an extended period of time.

The time to make those plans is now, not when a storm is approaching.

Always keep in mind that your family can evacuate at any time, but their evacuation is only funded by the Navy if I direct evacuation for the entire installation.

The Emergency Management section of our command website has a number of ideas to get you started, as well as links to useful websites.

http://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrse/installations/nas_corpus_christi/om/emergency_management.html.

Disasters happen. Be prepared.

Chaplain's Message

by Fr. John Vidal

While I'm writing this column before Memorial Day, by the time you are reading it the day will have passed and I hope you had a time to rest and have some fun.

I hope you also took a few moments to remember and honor those men and women who have paid the ultimate price to ensure our freedom. If you didn't, I hope you'll take a moment to stop and give thanks for so many who have died in the line of duty.

Today I'd like to take a little time to remember the contribution of Military Chaplains in our Nation's History who have served in times of war – and remember some who were killed in the line of duty.

When George Washington assumed command of the Continental Army in 1775,

he found fifteen chaplains serving his 23 regiments.

On July 29, 1775, the Continental Congress recognized the important role of the Army chaplain, authorizing one chaplain for each regiment and granting them payment equal to the salary of a captain. Four months later, on Nov. 28, 1775, the role of the Navy chaplain was established in the second article of Navy regulations.

During the Civil war, the war department records estimated that there were approximately 3,000 Union chaplains and 600-1000 in the Confederacy, with 400 appointed by President Davis at the beginning of the conflict.

While I was unable to find out how many

In Memoriam of Military Chaplains

died in the line of duty, it is almost certain that many died in such a bloody war.

However, on March 8, 1862, the USS Cumberland was rammed and sunk at Newport News, Va., claiming the life of Navy Chaplain John

Lenhart, the first chaplain to die in service to God, Country and fellow man.

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Editor's Corner

by Rod Hafemeister



Hafemeister

Here's an interesting proposition: World War I was a "holy war" that sowed the seeds for the conflicts that followed also embracing religious images and claiming divine favor.

This year, 2014, marks the centennial of the

start of the "war to end all wars"- which, of course, did no such thing.

In fact, many (most?) historians say that World War II was simply the second part of

World War I, spawned in large measure by the failure to achieve a just resolution (for anyone) at the end of WWI.

Of course, with a 100th anniversary, expect to see a lot of books and articles and TV programs on the subject.

And as I've mentioned in the past, I get a lot of press releases about anything and everything.

An interesting one recently came from Baylor University, where Philip Jenkins is a Distinguished Professor of History.

Seems he wrote a book, "The Great and Holy War: How World War I Became a Religious Crusade."

I haven't read it yet, but according to the press release, his basic argument is interesting.

Jenkins claims Germany saw itself on a

"messianic mission" while Russia considered itself "THE" Christian state.

Those seeing the war as a religious crusade were "not just elite thinkers or a few crazy bishops and pastors... Religion dominated propaganda messages and the way people thought about the war, wrote about the war, made films about the war," Jenkins says.

"Religion was part of the air they breathed... The enemy was an evil satanic foe."

Those beliefs affected the rest of the 20th Century, he argues. For example, the Holocaust grew out of a belief that "the devil's agents" caused Germany to lose their holy war in 1918, Jenkins says.

Does he have a point? I don't know - but it certainly casts an interesting light on the "God is on our side" mindset in war.

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NHCCC patients get medical answers 24/7 with toll-free Nurse Advice Line

Story and photo by Bill W. Love, Naval Health Clinic Corpus Christi Public Affairs

A convenient, new, around-the-clock Nurse Advice Line (NAL) is available to Naval Health Clinic Corpus Christi patients as of May 16.

Call 800-TRICARE (800-874-2273) and select option 1 for help with urgent care, day or night - including holidays.

“The NAL allows our beneficiaries who need care to speak to a live person. That person is a Nurse,” said Navy nurse Cmdr. Sheri R. Coleman, NHCCC Medical Home Port department head.

“The Nurse will speak with our beneficiaries and provide a same day acute appointment or direct them to an Emergency Department out in town.

If treatment can be given at home, the nurses will offer their expertise and recommendations.

“What a great benefit to offer all military members and their families, whom we serve.”

Sometimes it is difficult to know if and when to seek medical help for acute health problems, so having professional help at a moment’s notice is invaluable. The new NAL for TRICARE beneficiaries does just that.

According to Coleman, most TRICARE beneficiaries are eligible to use the NAL - including TRICARE Prime, TRICARE Prime Remote, TRICARE Prime Remote for Active Duty Family Members, TRICARE Standard and Extra, TRICARE Young Adult,

TRICARE for Life, TRICARE Reserve Select and TRICARE Retired Reserve.

Standing by to answer a variety of urgent healthcare questions 24-hours a day is a team of NAL registered nurses. They can help you decide whether self-care is the best option, or if it is better to see a healthcare provider. There will always be a live-person on the line to address beneficiary concerns.

The NAL offers a variety of solutions.

For pediatric issues, the NAL will route the beneficiary to a pediatric nurse. If follow-up is necessary or requested, the NAL will call the beneficiary back to check the child’s status.

The NAL will make same-day urgent appointments with a primary care manager (PCM) for TRICARE Prime enrolled beneficiaries.

If a same day appointment is not available, the NAL will re-direct the beneficiary to the closest urgent care center, and advise the PCM that an urgent care referral is needed so the patient does not have to worry about paying any point of service co-pays. All other TRICARE beneficiaries who are not enrolled to NHCCC will receive professional health advice about their urgent health concern and when to seek urgent care.

When calling the NAL, a customer service representative will verify the beneficiary’s eligibility through the Defense Enrollment



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and Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS).

Beneficiaries with an acute health care concern or question will be connected with a registered nurse that will ask the beneficiary a series of very standard questions to determine the next steps and allow the NAL nurse to provide the best advice possible.

To schedule all other non-acute appointments, call the NHCCC appointment line, (361) 961-6000 or 1-877-NAVYMED.

Patients desiring to connect directly via email with their PCM for non-urgent issues may securely use RelayHealth.

Sign up at www.relayhealth.com.

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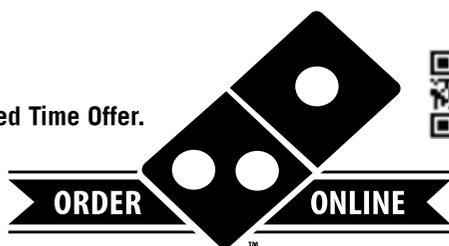
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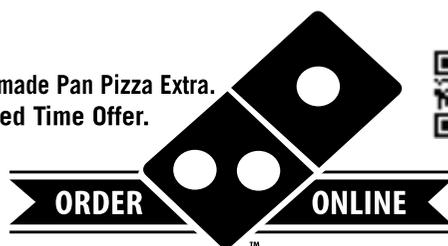
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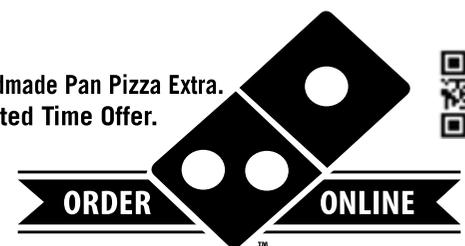
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Copeland relinquishes command of VT-31 to Foster in seawall ceremony



(above) Cmdr. Matthew Foster is pinned with his new command pin by his wife, Lisa, during Training Squadron (VT) 31's Change of Command ceremony; Foster took command May 16. (right) Foster and Cmdr. Todd Copeland (right), departing Commanding Officer, take part in the traditional cake cutting.

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Former CCAD commander retires with national recognition

by Cherish Washington, AMC Public Affairs

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – The former commander of Corpus Christi Army Depot – a five-combat tour veteran – retired from 29 years of service with a national recognition for his strategic guidance and lasting contributions to the joint warfighter.

Col. Christopher B. Carlile, special assistant to the Army Materiel Command's commanding general received the National Defense Industrial Association's Leadership Excellence Award as he celebrated his retirement in a ceremony at AMC headquarters May 21.

NDIA bestows the honor on those who have contributed significantly to the defense posture or technology advancement for at least 15 years.

Carlile, a Paragould, Arkansas native with more than two decades of support to the warfighter, met and exceeded those expectations.

Gen. Dennis L. Via, Army Materiel Command's commander, referred to Carlile as a great Soldier, outstanding aviator and a great leader.

Carlile, who studied under business management author and Harvard educator John Kotter's methodology, previously served as battalion commander of the 1-223d Aviation Regiment and deputy chief of staff for the U.S. Aviation Center of Excellence at Fort Rucker; and director of the Unmanned Aerial Systems Center of Excellence.

He commanded CCAD from June 2010 until April 2013, when he joined AMC.

The NDIA nomination recognized Carlile as one who fostered and instituted change in every organization he led throughout his career.

During the ceremony, Via gave examples of

Carlile's leadership.

"While at Corpus Christi Army Depot – one of AMC's crown jewels – Carlile executed a complete business reorganization," he said.

Corpus Christi Army Depot had not been restructured in 50 years.

The results were a nearly \$400 million increase of revenue despite having 600 fewer employees.

The nomination said Carlile's efforts at Corpus Christi Army Depot left an indelible mark on the Army Aviation enterprise during a time when cost-effective measures were critical to support the war effort.

Via said it was Carlile's successes that set him up for his most recent assignment, where he completed a comprehensive review of the Organic Industrial Base.

"I wanted to spread the best practices he integrated at Corpus across the Organic Industrial Base, so that it will remain strong for many years to come," Via said.

In his final role, Carlile developed a strategic business plan for the entire Organic Industrial Base, created more than 20 initiatives and a seven dimensional analysis method for program management.

This process became the standard for AMC and Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition Logistics and Technology.

Carlile credits his accomplishments to those around him.

"I am good at one thing and that is seeing the talent in others. The talent they don't see in themselves," said Carlile.

"You could say that I'm the Army's best cheerleader. It is those talented people that have made



Carlile

me successful."

In retirement, Carlile said he plans to work for a small profit

and loss analysis company at Fort Rucker and spend time with his family.

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CCAD's gets new QM Director



Stevenson

by Brigitte Rox, CCAD Public Affairs

Richard Stevenson, one of Corpus Christi Army Depot's most valuable quality assurance professionals has been appointed Director of Quality Management.

Depot commander, Col. Billingsley Garner Pogue III made the announcement at the beginning of the helicopter maintenance facility's latest production update on May 22, 2014.

The commander expressed his confidence in the selection process which included a number of highly-qualified professionals vying for a shot as the next Director of Quality.

With more than 37 years of aviation experience, 30 of which was with the Navy, Stevenson has a vested interest in the quality of the products that go out of CCAD's doors.

It is his responsibility to ensure the Army depot returns all aircraft and components to the customer with uncompromising quality.

Pogue acknowledged that Stevenson will carry a "heavy rucksack" as the head of quality, as the position carries schedule, cost, and quality: the three main drivers of the business side of Army aviation.

As Director, he will develop and manage all Quality Control Programs that should posture the depot for success in this business trinity in the outlying years.

This includes ensuring compliance with CCAD ISO 9001 and AS9110 certification.

Stevenson came to CCAD in the summer of 2005 as a Quality Assurance Auditor for ISO 9000 but eventually progressed to Chief of the Aircraft Quality Control Division.

His depot career track includes

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After achieving this monumental capacity, CCAD encountered a marked decline in business with the withdrawal of forces and economic uncertainty in the Defense budget.

It has been a challenge for the depot to receive fewer work orders and fewer resources just as business was ramping up.

But Maj. Gen. Collyar reemphasized the successes of the years since 2012.

"In the two years that I've been here, which has been a little bit of 2012, and the rest of 2013 and 2014, we continue to do everything that the Army asks us to do or that the Army provides us the resources to do," Maj. Gen. Collyar told the CCAD workforce.

He spoke about plans they have with the UH-60 Black Hawk which would mean more work for the depot.

"This is just the start," he said.

"There's still a lot of good things to come.

"We're going to keep the depot working to as much of a capacity as we can afford, and that should increase that workload to keep 2,200 Black Hawks with a twenty-year life-cycle."

And, though business has slowed for the depot, CCAD continues to strive to be better, faster and cost-effective by performing at an industry standard.

In March, CCAD passed the AS9110B.

The audit was a critical step in the process to always improve production management, product safety and quality.

It demonstrates that CCAD adheres to industry best practices and is committed to quality products and customer service, every day.

The Army Superior Unit Award was established by the Secretary of the Army to recognize outstanding meritorious performance of a unit during a difficult and challenging mission under extraordinary circumstances.

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assignments as the Foreign Objects Debris Prevention Program Management, Night Superintendent for Quality Assurance, Chief Quality Control Power Plants Branch, and Chief Aircraft Quality Control Branch.

He served as a member of the Army Materiel Command Quality Assurance working group and on CCAD's Guiding Coalition for Leading Change Teams.

He is a certified Level 3 Acquisition Professional for Production Quality and Manufacturing. He graduated from the Defense Contract Management Agency Aviation Maintenance Managers class, Army Management Staff College Leadership Course, and the Defense Acquisition University Yellow Belt Course.

Stevenson is a member of the Army Aviation Association of America and active member in Chapter 125 of the Federal Managers Association.



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I was also able to find the names of four US Army chaplains – John Whitehead, Francis Hall, 1st Lt. James Hill and Milton Haney – who gave their life caring for the spiritual needs of the many that were caught up in that terrible conflict.

During the Boxer rebellion, Calvin Titus, a musician detailed to assist chaplains (the rate of chaplain assistant was not defined until 1909) was killed and awarded the Medal of Honor.

He and Staff Sgt. Christopher Stout, who was killed in Afghanistan in 2010, are the only two chaplain assistants who have made the supreme sacrifice.

I am not sure how many chaplains served during WWI, however Chaplain Fr. Francis Duffy was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the Distinguished Service Medal, the Croix de Guerre and other high awards.

A statue of him stands in New York's Times Square.

In WW II, 8,896 military chaplains served, with 77 making the supreme sacrifice.

Of note were "The Four Chaplains": Lt. George Fox (Methodist), Lt. Alexander Goode (Jewish); Lt. John Washington (Roman Catholic) and Lt. Clark Poling (Reformed Church) who gave up their life jackets on the deck of the sinking USS Dorchester in the North Atlantic in 1943.

Although no WWII chaplains were awarded the Medal of Honor, they earned 2,453 high military awards for valor.

The Korean War resulted in 13 chaplains killed in action. But I was only able to find the name of Army Chaplain Emil Kapaun (Roman Catholic), who died in a POW camp and was awarded posthumously the Distinguished Service Cross and is a candidate for Sainthood.

Once again, I was unable to find out how many served or were killed during the Vietnam War, but four, Lt. Vincent Capodanno, Cmdr. Joseph O'Callahan, Capt. James Liteky and Maj. Charles Waters received the Medal of Honor.

In 2006 Archbishop O'Brien of the Archdiocese for the Military Services made a formal petition to the Vatican for the Beatification and Canonization to Sainthood of Fr. Capodanno. You can read more about this cause on the Archdiocesan website www.milarch.org.

Finally, Maj. Henry Vacok, a Catholic chaplain, died from wounds received in Iraq and Army Capt. Dale Goetz (Baptist) was killed when his convoy came under attack in 2010.

Capt. Goetz served in Okinawa with our very own Command Chaplain, Lt. Cmdr. Stephen Warne.

Next time you see Chaplain Warne, give him a pat on the back and thank him for his service and that of the many chaplains who have served this great country over her history.

And let us all give special thanks for those many chaplains who have died in the defense of freedom.

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Photo by Bill W. Love, NHCCC PAO

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lounge, or just be seen, and the brave ones will always come and talk to you.

"And then you get to do your job, imparting wisdom, being kind of a lead by example kind of guy – that's all good. I didn't need to be in an airplane to do that."

The result was getting a better balance of focus on both flight training and admin, making it all work better, he said.

"We – our Wing family – we've gotten through some challenges at times," he said.

"Everybody gets the whole honor, courage and commitment thing; they would never have raised their right hand and swore the oath if they did not understand those edicts.

"What we struggle with nowadays is organizational trust and trust in leadership and trust in the folks who are utilizing their military forces – is it for the better greater good, is it for political reasons?"

"I don't personally care about those things. I raised my right hand because I believe in what I do.

"And my job as a leader, as I see it, is to help keep, build or maintain that trust with subordinates, peers and seniors

"And I think with sequestration and some of the challenges with resources and timing and people that we face, getting that trust level back up is both my challenge and probably the thing I'm most proud of as I walk out the door.

"People believe in the mission, they believe in their coworkers, they believe that leadership is going to give them the resources that they need.

"And that just makes it easier for the Warfighter to do what they're getting paid to do."

And Curtin said that all was done "while not dropping any missions that we had control of."

"We – the US Government, the US Navy – purchased a maintenance contract. I don't

have any control over how well they perform. But I do have control over how well the flight suit wearing folks and the Navy support staff, our civilian GS's – I have some control over how well we perform and how committed we are to that mission.

"And I think we are highly committed to that mission."

"I'm proud of our folks that in spite of sequestration and the government shutdown, they bucked up and they performed."

The four squadrons in the training wing rely on contract maintenance to keep the planes flying.

And at times, the maintenance has not managed to put enough aircraft in the air to meet flying goals.

Most recently, that has been a problem with the T-6B Texan IIs, Curtin said.

"I wish we could have gotten a stronger maintenance contract written that benefited the customer – which is the taxpayer – more than the one we are currently operating under," he said.

Asked what note he will leave for his successor, Curtin pulled out the one left behind by a two predecessors – and that he's passing on to Kelsey – about how to "take a deep breath" and figure out the problems.

This tour marked Curtin's third assignment to Corpus Christi, first as a student, then an instructor in VT-31 and finally as commodore.

Despite the responsibilities, Curtin said this tour has given him more time with his family.

"Now I'm going to go pay the taxpayers back by going to the Pentagon to bleed" he said.

"My wife and I are very, very fond of Corpus Christi. Our eldest was born here and will graduate here.

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NAS Corpus Christi hosted a leg of the May 17 Beach to Bay Relay Marathon for Armed Forces Day. Above, Coast Guard Sector Corpus Christi won the Military Division race. Pictured left to right: Lt. Cmdr. Byron Creech, Lt. Jeff Miller, PO2 Kevin Cleary, Capt. Sam Creech (not related), and CPO Jacob Linder. Not pictured is team member Lt. Ian Bartonicek.

Photos by MC1 Maria Garza, Paul Turbidy and US Coast Guard



Awards and Achievements

Winging — May 23



Photo by Hugh Lieck Event Photography

Winging officials, from left: Lt. Cmdr. Stephen Warne, Chaplain; Cmdr. J. L. Wood, Commanding Officer, VT-35; Cmdr. Matthew Foster, Commanding Officer, VT-31; Col. David Krebs, USMC, Commanding Officer, MATSG-22; Cmdr. Cedric L. Jessup, Commanding Officer, VQ-4; Capt. Rex Curtin, Commodore, Training Air Wing Four.

Wingees, in alphabetical order: 1st Lt. Kevin Michael Allen, USMC; Ensign William Harris Bishop; 1st Lt. Jacob Merley Corl, USMC; Ensign Eugene Timothy Gallagher; Ensign Joash J Gonsalves; 1st Lt. Jesse I. Gonzalez, USMC; 1st Lt. Mark Tyler Heard, USMC; Ensign Aaron James Ingram; 1st Lt. Andrew James Johnson, USMC; Ensign Sarah Lynn Kupovits; Ensign Patrick T. McAleer; 1st Lt. Christopher James Mudd, USMC; Lt. j.g. Erik Brooks Olsen; Ensign Kevin Patrick Roy; 1st Lt. Jonathan Tyler Schneckeburger, USMC; Lt. j.g. Richard Charles Shreffler; 1st Lt. Richard Moreno Tedeschi, USMC; Ensign Zachary Joseph Weaver.

Sailors of the Quarter



Sailors of the Quarter were recognized May 15. From left, NOSC Blue Jacket of the Quarter HM3 Sean Notaro; NHCCC Junior Sailor of the Quarter HM2 JericMartin; NASCC Blue Jacket of the Quarter MASN Ambrielle Murray; NASCC Senior Sailor

of the Quarter MA1 Jorge Lazo; NHCCC Blue Jacket of the Quarter HN Seth Walter; NASCC Junior Sailor of the Quarter Daryl Vincent and USCG Sector Corpus Christi Sailor of the Quarter GM3 Brandon White.



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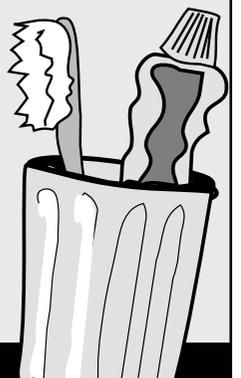
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Commissaries, exchanges, MWR partner for Your Healthy Lifestyle Festival

by Kevin Robinson, DeCA public affairs specialist

FORT LEE, Va. – The Defense Commissary Agency will unveil the Your Healthy Lifestyle Festival June 6 through July 6 at 236 installations worldwide.

At Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, the event will be held June 27, 28 and 29.

This inaugural event will allow patrons to see discounted prices on produce at commissary farmers markets, savings on workout equipment at exchanges and fitness events hosted by base morale, welfare and recreation activities.

With the theme "Shop Healthy! Eat Healthy! Be Healthy!" the festival reinforces the health and wellness goals of the military community, said DeCA Director and CEO Joseph H. Jeu.

"We all have a vested interest in helping service members and their families improve their health and wellness," Jeu said.

"Together, the synergy of military resale makes the installation the No. 1 destination for collaborative events such as the Your Healthy Lifestyle Festival."

The festival combines commissary farmers markets, exchange sidewalk sales, MWR fitness events, demos, music, free nutritious food samples, prize giveaways, discount coupon offers, health and wellness information and children's programs.

It's no coincidence that health and wellness is a dominant theme, especially as the Department of Defense continues to roll out its Healthy Base Initiative.

HBI is a project of DOD's Operation Live Well, an initiative to boost the nutrition and fitness of service members, retirees, their families and military civilians.

"There's a special 'take care of our own' mentality about military communities, and this festival embodies the best of that philosophy," said DeCA Sales Director Randy Chandler.

"Whenever commissaries, exchanges, MWR services and our industry partners collaborate like this, our customers benefit the most."

For DeCA, the Lifestyle Festival also gives the commissary agency an opportunity to showcase its worldwide farmers market program, an event that has offered plenty of tasty fruits and vegetables for the past three years, Chandler said.

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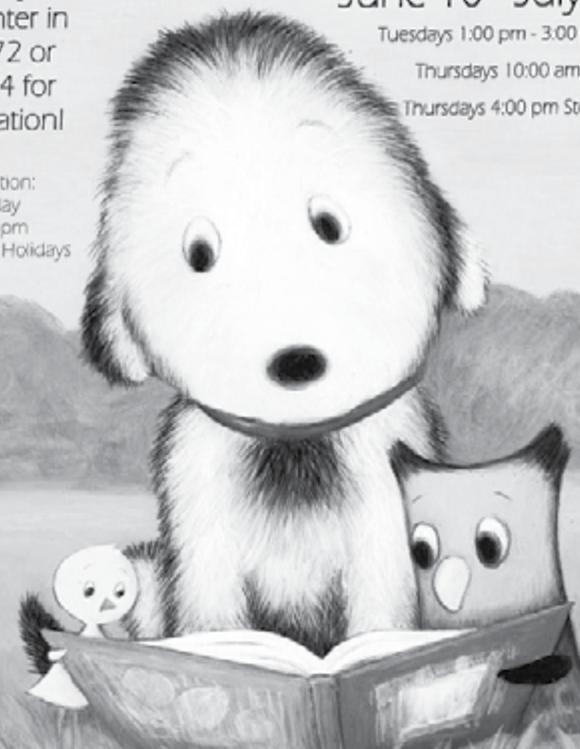
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