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DoD unveils improved sexual assault prevention training

By Amaani Lyle
American Forces Press Service

As part of efforts to eliminate the crime of sexual assault in the military, Defense Department officials announced April 14 improvements to sexual assault prevention and response training for all members of the armed forces and civilian employees.

Officials said the improvements center on development of consistent sexual assault prevention and response core competencies and learning objectives for:

- Training for new accessions;
- Annual and refresher training;
- Pre- and post-deployment training;
- Professional military education;
- Training for commanders and senior enlisted leaders before assuming their new positions; and

-- Training for sexual assault response coordinators, victim advocates and chaplains.

Within the first 14 days of service, officials explained, new accessions to the armed forces receive training that provides a basic understanding of the sexual assault prevention and response program, specific information on reporting options, and the services and resources available both on base and in the local region. Additionally, service members receive annual refresher training in sexual assault prevention and response, as well as before and after deployments.

At the professional military education level, officials said, the training emphasizes participants' leadership role in supporting the Defense Department's sexual assault prevention and response efforts.

In their training, officials said, commanders and senior enlisted leaders

learn about:

- The complexities of the crime and their role in fostering a command environment of professional values, team commitment, and dignity and respect;
- Proactive measures to reduce sexual assaults in their units;
- The protections afforded victims and the accused; and
- The elements of quality victim care.

Training for sexual assault response coordinators and victim advocates emphasize effective crisis management in addition to advocating for the victim and coordinating care, officials said.

For chaplains, training competencies focus on awareness of sexual assault as a crime, its impact on victims, and sexual assault prevention and response resources the Defense Department provides.

"The department is committed to eliminating sexual assault and ensuring an environment that provides dignity and respect for all members of the military community," said Army Col. Litonya Wilson, deputy director of prevention and victim assistance in the DoD Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office.

"We took steps to improve the quality of SAPR training with a specific focus on developing core competencies and

learning objectives, ensuring consistency, and implementing methods for assessing the effectiveness of these training programs."

The training improvements incorporate a coordinated effort designed to ensure that everyone in the military community - including first responders, commanders, new service members, and those deployed around the world - have consistent training standards and effective tools to prevent and respond to sexual assault, officials said. The services and the National Guard Bureau developed the core competencies and learning objectives jointly to incorporate best practices from the field and input from sexual assault survivors, they added.

"The entire military community must be engaged in creating an environment where sexual assault, sexual harassment, and sexist behaviors are not tolerated," Wilson said. "It is our aim to field innovative prevention strategies, new training approaches, and incorporate best practices for SAPR training to instill an environment that promotes respect and proper treatment of everyone within the department.

"Our focus is on creating a climate where sexual assault and sexual harassment are seen as unacceptable," she continued, "not just because they are illegal, but because they are wrong."

CNO talks Sexual Assault Awareness Month

April has been designated as Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM), and this year's theme is "Live Our Values: Step Up to Stop Sexual Assault."

Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Adm. Jonathan Greenert, discussed the issue of sexual assault in an interview April 10.

"We've been well aware of this challenge (sexual assault) we have in the Navy," said Greenert.

"It (Sexual Assault Awareness Month) is a great opportunity to do two things: to assess where we are and to synchronize our efforts. Now we've made progress in this challenge, our investigations are getting better, we're doing pretty good on victim advocacy, and I base that on feedback from the fleet. But we need to focus on prevention. And the best attribute to get prevention is intervention. We need to

have the courage to step in."

Greenert pointed out that trust and respect are the foundations of addressing the issue of sexual assault.

"I think you can increase the trust of your shipmates by first of all respecting yourself, and respect others. And demanding that. Get over the stigma that sexual assault is something that happens to somebody else. That's not the case. This is real and it is happening in the fleet. So we need to intervene. We need to have the courage to stand up and say, 'enough of this' and get rid of sexual harassment."

Greenert expressed confidence that Sailors and Marines can overcome the challenge of reducing sexual assault while emphasizing that it will be a team effort.

"But it's everybody's challenge and everybody's activity that needs to take place," Greenert said. "So let's have the courage to intervene, let's respect each other and let's work in a climate of dignity and respect."

For more information, visit www.sapr.mil. (From Chief of Naval Operations Public Affairs)



Greenert

TW-2, TW-1 pilots complete carrier quals aboard Carl Vinson

By MC2 Brent Pyfrom
USS Carl Vinson Public Affairs

USS CARL VINSON, At Sea (NNS) -- Fixed wing Fleet Replacement Squadron pilots and T-45C Goshawk training jet pilots completed carrier qualifications aboard aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) April 9.



ABE3 Raven Romero, from Portland, Ore., signals to advance a T-45C Goshawk from Training Wing 2 (TW-2) to a catapult on the flight deck aboard aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70). Carl Vinson was underway off the coast of Southern California conducting unit-level training. (U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Scott Fenaroli)

Eagles" of Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 122, and the "Gladiators" of VFA 106 also completed carrier qualifications aboard Carl Vinson.

"You have qualified pilots in the fleet fulfilling their missions, but they're ready to rotate to shore. They need new junior officers to come out and replace them; that's our job out here - to qualify so we can relieve them," said Ensign Andrew Johnson of VT-7.

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Forty-eight student Naval aviators from the "Eagles" of Training Squadron (VT) 7, the "Tigers" of VT-9, the "Redhawks" of VT-21 and the "Golden Eagles" of VT-22 launched and recovered from the Carl Vinson over a three-day period.

Additionally, pilots assigned to the "Sharpshooters" of Marine Fighter Attack Training Squadron 101, the "Flying

From the Bridge



Capt. Chris Misner
Commanding Officer



Team Kingsville,

It's hard to believe we're over half-way through the fiscal year and almost to summer. This command has had an extremely successful few months.

I continue to be amazed at what this command has done - given the challenging environment the shore installation enterprise continues to be in at this time. We did extremely well in our region operational assessment, our safety inspection, our installation security inspection and of course our air show. You should all be very proud of our group and individual accomplishments.

What we need to do now is begin a period where we assess what we learned during these inspections and begin to focus

on the basics. We need to remember the basics. Everyone from me on down to the newest airman must contribute to our sponsorship programs, command indoctrination program, mentorship programs, and work toward personal and professional development and enhanced family readiness.

These basics are the foundation of our successes and what we will build upon as we move forward this summer. We need to continue to remember our command's drumbeat items and remember to not drink and drive, have a clear understanding of our command's and Navy's zero tolerance for drug abuse, sexual assault and domestic violence.

We will also be focusing on some core programs such as energy conservation and hurricane preparedness. Every member of Team Kingsville plays a role in conserving energy and I urge you to take this issue seriously. Turn off lights in your work spaces at the end of each day and do not leave your PCs or monitors on overnight. Take a close look around your work center, identify energy waste and take steps to solve the prob-

lem.

On June 1, we move into hurricane season. South Texas has been extremely fortunate over the past few years with very few hurricane threats, but we must prepare ourselves as if we were expecting a storm, instead of "in case" a storm approaches. This year's regional hurricane exercise in May will focus on South Texas, and our emergency management team will be tested at every turn. I have full confidence that our emergency management team will prepare us to succeed ... but they will need your full support.

As the commanding officer of this installation I want to make certain everyone, from Sailor to civilian to contractor, knows just how proud I am of you and how honored I am to command this air station. Each of you are part of an unbeatable team and are the ones who do the heavy lifting day-in and day-out.

One Team, One Fight, One Focus!
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Randy Foust
Command Master Chief



Team Kingsville,

WOW, halfway through April! NATOPS Inspection, done! OSHME, done! Air Show, done! CNO IVA, done! Admiral Williamson's (AKA CNRSE) visit, done! Oh, and by the way, YOU CRUSHED all of them! Outstanding, Bravo Zulu to all of you!

Now we are taking a step back and re-focusing our efforts from outside the wire interests to our own interests. We have some self-treatment and buddy care to perform in preparation for the next salvo of inspections.

What do we need to do now? First and foremost we need to thank each other for the continued professionalism we share with each other as we approach the challenges that lie ahead.

We have some housekeeping business to take care of. Get out into your spaces and find that "stuff" that needs to go. For instance, if you had a timing light on the shelf but when you pop the hood there is no longer a distributor cap, then you need to get rid of the timing light! Zone Inspections are here and they are here to stay. Look around at your spaces and remove the unnecessary, outdated, and/or even downright dangerous material. If you do not know how to remove the equipment, "ASK YOUR CHIEF!" The Chiefs know and have the process for turning gear in. There are checklists for supervisors to follow in your spaces, but each one of us is responsible to help by LOOKING in

our spaces and squaring them away!

General Military Training topics are on the list of self-care, by going through the required face-to-face training and then the mandatory online courses.

PHAs, PARFQs and PFAs are definitely on the things we need to get done this month! Please understand that PFAs are just that, an assessment of your physical fitness. You should not require prep-time, or recovery time. In our new culture of fitness the PFA is just another Command PT session, and in fact we are only going to do some pushups, some sit-ups and then run a quick 1.5 mile run. You have easily been doing more than a PFA by design at every Command PT. Remember do your best, if you haven't gotten on board with the culture of fitness, now is a great time to step forward in the right direction. It's not only good for you and me, but

it's great for our Navy and our nation for us to be in peak operating condition!

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month. We have a couple more events this month to keep ourselves focused on reducing sexual assault. Do what you can to support the events.

April is also the Month of the Military Child. If you have children or grandchildren, please take a moment and think about the difficult life they are a part of, but they did not volunteer for. Then give them a hug or hand shake or whatever passes as compassion in your house.

Please know how proud I am to be a part of this team. I am so proud of all that you have accomplished!

Be Safe, Stay Cool and keep having Fun!
CMC

Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society fund drive underway

The Navy Marine Corps Relief Society fund drive is currently underway.

For 110 years, NMCRS has been there for Sailors and Marines who have faced family emergencies, natural disasters and other unexpected life events that can strain monthly budgets.

Donations provide support in many ways - short-term interest-free loans and grants; free budget counseling; junior sea bags with hand-made blankets for newborns; and registered nurses who visit the homes of young mothers and those healing from combat service wounds.

When Sailors and Marines fall on hard times, Society volunteers are there to help, in a large part, due to donations collected.

This year's fund drive runs through April 30. To donate, please contact your department

representative listed below or call CS1 William Mireles at 516-6638 or 516-6635.

Department representatives include: Admin - AZ2 Gregory Hillman; Air Ops - AC2 Chris Shaw; Ground Electronics - ET3 Aaron Jones; Field Support - ABE1 Robert Spears; NALF Orange Grove - ABH2 Devin Barks; Fleet Logistics Center - MM2 Joshua Lawrence; Chaplain - EN1 Charles Roberts; Medical - HM2 Mark Penamora; Security - QM2 Kabresha Richardson; NGIS - CS2 Johnathan Smith; Escondido Ranch - MM2 Michael Mack; TW-2 - Lt.j.g. Derek Rocha; VT-21 - 1st Lt. Daniel Lane; VT-22 - Lt. Gregory Blok; and Public Works Lt.j.g. David Boyer.

For more information, call the NMCRS office located aboard NAS Corpus Christi at (361) 961-3482 or the Kingsville Fleet and Family Support Center at 516-6333.

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This paper is published for people like ACAN Stephanie Thomson, who reported to Air Operations in August. Thomson is a native of Panama City, Fla., and has 1 year and 4 months of U.S. Navy service.

Get a move on!

Submit your household goods move applications early to beat the peak season rush

By Pete Lutz, FLCJ NAS-CC
Personal Property Processing Office

The "Peak Season" for household goods (HHG) moves is just around the corner.

If you are slated for a PCS move any time between May and September, your

local Personal Property Processing Office (PPPO) offers several services to make your transition a little smoother.

Roughly 65 percent of all HHG moves performed with the DoD happen during these months.

The transportation industry continually warns that equipment and personnel may not be available to handle such a surge over the short period of time. In order to get the move date(s) you'd like (or as close as possible), it's imperative that you plan accordingly and be flexible with your dates.

Since NAS Kingsville is a training facility, there is a higher turnover rate than other stations of comparable size. Generally, students do not have much time to plan their move so it's recommended they visit the PPPO to discover what options

are available in advance of receiving orders.

This service is not reserved only for students, the PPPO counselors are available to any member transferring into or out of the area.

The PPPO staff will inform you of the steps to take and provide assistance in registering for the Defense Personal Property System (DPS) website used to manage and process all HHG move applications. Additionally, on-line applications are accepted in advance of orders to ensure vital data is already entered into the system in the event your orders arrive at the last minute.

For first-time PCS moves or if you have never used DPS before, come see us so we can ensure you are comfortable with DPS and can submit your on-line application with confidence. Once you are familiar with the system, your account can be accessed from home or work.

As a helpful tool, we offer a "cheat sheet" for those who wish to complete the application from home, which can be obtained from the PPPO in Building 10, third deck, aboard NAS Corpus Christi, or at the Fleet and Family Support Center aboard NAS Kingsville. You can also request it via e-mail at hhg_corpuschristi@navy.mil. This e-mail address can be used to submit documents or

ask questions.

Hours of operation aboard NAS Corpus Christi are Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. On board NAS Kingsville, office hours are on Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Just have a quick question? Our phone numbers are 361-961-3728/3729/3742 and 361-516-6289 in Kingsville.

What forms will you need?

HHG moves you'll need your orders, copies of the DD-1299 and DD-1797 forms (signed and dated).

Personally Procured Moves (PPM -formerly a DITY move), a copy of your orders is all you'll need.

If you're performing both, please remember you will be required to submit a separate application for each type of move and ensure you do not add a new shipment to a previous set of orders.

(All required forms can be printed from the "Submit" page of the online application).

Have your orders already?

Remember, the earlier you start, the better chance you have to get the dates you desire. As we move farther into the summer season, carriers get booked and lead times get extended (as much as six weeks) so don't wait! Come see us or submit your application and get a move on!



Lupe Burns, personal property counselor, assists Lt. Cmdr. David Gomez, U.S.C.G., with his HHG application in DPS. (Photo by Pete Lutz)

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In the Break



Capt. Donald Nisbett Jr.
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Greetings NAS Kingsville and Training Air Wing TWO,

Training Air Wing TWO (TW-2) welcomes Keith Duncan to the TW-2 staff serving as our new Ground Safety Officer.

Congratulations to Training Squadron 21 (VT-21), the winner of the Admiral John H. Towers Flight Safety Award for 2013. The Towers award is presented annually to the Naval Air Training Command squadron that has achieved the best mission-oriented flight safety program during the calendar year.

The VT-21 "Fighting Redhawks" have an exceptional operational program with a focus on professional mission accomplishment, and flawless conduct of numerous carrier qualification and weapons detachments. During this period, VT-21 flew 14,469 hours in the T-45 Goshawk with zero flight, flight-related or ground mishaps while completing 59 advance strike and nine intermediate E2/C2 students. Their proactive, mission-oriented program utilized every conceivable approach to ensure safe operations. Their comprehensive safety program is anchored by an aggressive hazard reporting (HAZREP) process that produced 11 non-Bird Animal Strike Hazard (BASH) HAZREPs for incidents occurring during the year.

Rear Adm. Roy Kelley, Chief of Naval Air Training (CNATRA) presented the trophy to the squadron last week.

From an operations standpoint, TW-2 is completing the final week of a three-week long weapons detachment to NAF El Centro, where student Naval aviators hone their skills in weapons delivery and low-

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level navigation. During carrier qualifications, a pilot must develop and hone the demanding skills needed to take off and land fixed wing aircraft on an aircraft carrier.

"It's a lot different than a runway," said Marine 1st Lt. Danny Sorrelos, of VT-9. "Runway length generally isn't an issue for us; you don't have to be as precise. You don't have as many environmental issues constantly changing. In the field, we're worried about crosswinds coming from different directions, but here, the ship makes the wind. The ship is moving away and there's very little room for error."

Sorrelos, whose squadron trained in El Centro, Calif., before arriving on Carl Vinson, said he had more factors to consider to land aboard the carrier. Each time he landed, though - a total of 10 traps to meet his requirement - he felt a surge of pride.

level navigation.

Also, TW-2 recently completed a carrier qualification (CQ) detachment to Naval Air Station North Island, Calif., and on USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70). Congratulations to our newest tailhookers!

VT-21: Lt.j.g. Anderson Oliveira, Brazilian Navy; and Ensign Carlos Pena.

VT-22: Lt. Renato Depaolis; 1st Lt. Brandon Dorsett; Ensign Peter Fultz; 1st Lt. Jason Garden; Ensign Spencer Johnson; Ensign John McDonald; 1st Lt. Matthew Orman; Ensign Grant Parks; Lt.j.g. Brandon Roberts; Lt.j.g. Diego Saba, Brazilian Navy; Ensign Charity Somma; 1st Lt. Jonathan Walker; Ensign Andrew Weatherholt; Lt. Brian Welch; and 1st Lt. Jason Wright.

In other related news, Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel visited the Peoples' Liberation Army's (PLA) first aircraft carrier, Liaoning (a refitted Russian aircraft carrier) during his recent 10-day trip to the Asia-Pacific region. With this foray into naval aviation, the PLA is attempting to develop this new military capability and, admittedly, have a long way to go as Liaoning is still undergoing sea trials.

For comparison, there are 20 fleet carriers in active service with 10 navies. Additionally, the navies of Australia, Brazil, China, France, India, Italy, Japan, South Korea, Spain, Thailand, the United Kingdom, and the U.S. also operate ships capable of carrying and operating multiple helicopters and Short Takeoff and Vertical Landing (STOVL) aircraft (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aircraft_carrier).

Despite the immense cost of an aircraft carrier, it is offset by the intrinsic value of a well-armed, aircraft equipped, sovereign piece of territory; and the U.S. continues to replace its aging fleet with the new *Ford Class* carrier. For more information on U.S. aircraft carriers, visit: <http://www.navy.mil/navydata/ships/carriers/cv-why.asp>.

Happy Easter!

"Pride, Professionalism and Purpose"
Commodore

Making an arrested landing aboard Carl Vinson was a stepping stone toward wings of gold for the student pilots, and brought them one day closer to being designated a Naval aviator.

"For these students, seeing a carrier for the first time and actually getting to land on it is something they'll never forget," said Cmdr. Nicolas Marusich, Carl Vinson's air operations officer. "The training is critical because we're continuing the legacy of naval aviation. We're here helping these student pilots transform into Naval aviators."

All student pilots who qualified during the detachment will need to complete the training cycle with their squadrons before receiving their wings. They will then transfer to a Fleet Replacement Squadron (FRS) to train on a specific fleet aircraft before taking their places in the fleet.

Drumbeats

*Current issues
on the forefront
of the minds
and hearts
of our people ...*

Domestic Violence: Most female victims of intimate partner violence were previously victimized by the same offender - 77% of females ages 18 to 24, 76% of females ages 25 to 34, and 81% of females ages 35 to 49.

Have you ever thought that you may be behaving in a way that could be physically or mentally harmful to your partner? These behaviors are often difficult to recognize if you're the one doing them — but acknowledging that you may be hurting your partner is the first step in moving toward a healthier relationship. Check in with yourself: How do you act toward your partner?

National Domestic Violence Hotline advocates are available 24/7 at 1-800-799-SAFE (7233) in over 170 languages. All calls are confidential and anonymous. <http://www.thehotline.org/help/>

SAPR: DoD Safe Helpline is a groundbreaking crisis support service for members of the DoD community affected by sexual assault. The service is confidential, anonymous, secure, and available worldwide, 24/7 by click, call or text — providing victims with the help they need anytime, anywhere.

Telephone Helpline - 877-995-5247- Safe Helpline provides live, confidential help over the phone. The Telephone Helpline staff can even transfer callers to installation/base Sexual Assault Response Coordinators (SARCs), Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) Coordinators, Military OneSource, the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, and civilian sexual assault service providers.

Online Helpline- Safe Helpline provides live, confidential help through a secure instant-messaging format at www.Safe-Helpline.org The website also contains vital information about recovering from and reporting a sexual assault.

Suicide Prevention: Simple ACTs of kindness make a difference...and may save a life.

ASK if someone is depressed and thinking about suicide.

Let them know you CARE.

Get them assistance (TREATment) as soon as possible.

Alcohol: How do I approach a friend who has had too much to drink? I mean, I don't want to lose a friend.

The first time is the hardest, but your actions could save your friends life or that you cannot let them drive home because you care. Offer to let the guest spend the night, call a cab, or ask a sober guest to drive the intoxicated person home.

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Safety is no accident – Rear Adm. Roy Kelley, Chief of Naval Air Training, presented VT-21 with the Adm. John H. Towers award for flight safety, sponsored by the Order of Daedalians on April 11. A Daedalian trophy and award is presented annually to that training squadron of the Naval Air Training Command adjudged by the Chief of Naval Air Training to have achieved an outstanding record in its mission-oriented flight safety program. VT-21 accumulated 14,469 safe flight hours and over 1,300 carrier traps in 2013 which were in direct reflection of the “Fighting Redhawks” dedication to flight safety. From Left: Lt. Jonathan Robinson; Lt. Cmdr. Jarred Redford; Cmdr. Corey Plocher, XO, VT-21; Capt. Donald Nisbett, CO, TW-2; Rear Adm. Roy Kelley, CNATRA. (Photo by FC1 (SW) John Sessions)



Wings of Gold – A winging ceremony was held April 3, at the NAS Kingsville Captain’s Club. Congratulations to the Student Naval Aviators who earned their coveted Wings of Gold. Pictured above are leadership and students who were winged. From left are Capt. Chris Misner, CO, NAS Kingsville; 2nd Lt. Mohammed Alharbi; Lt.j.g. Christopher Fulton; 2nd Lt. Fahad Almalki; Ensign Steven Bachman; Ensign Boris Roslov; 2nd Lt. Ziyad Alwadai; Ensign Alexander Schirripa; Lt. Col. Scott Schoeman, CO, VT-22; Cmdr. Charles Stahl, CO, VT-21; Cmdr. Corey Plocher, XO, VT-21; Capt. Donald Nisbett, Commander, TW-2. (Photo by Richard Stewart, CNATRA Public Affairs)



Cleaning up the ranch – Sailors and their families took time on a Saturday morning to pitch in and clean up the environment around an area of the Kingsville community. AC1 Elicio and Xavier Catalan; ABFC Joseph, Naho, Meina, and Brody Determan; and CMDCM Randy and Sara Foust collected 24 bags of rubbish along East General Cavazos Blvd. in an effort to “Keep Kingsville Beautiful.”

Naval Auxiliary Landing Field Orange Grove Sailors participated in their first “Adopt a Highway” cleanup recently. They adopted Texas HWY-359 is a two-year commitment to keep the two mile stretch clean, organized by ABH2 Jason Morris. The first cleanup yielded 20 bags of rubbish, in attendance were Lt. Cmdr. Michael Coffey, ABFC Joseph Determan, ABH1 Edwin Castro, AC1 Christopher Johnson and his daughter Aubrey, IC1 Rodney Washington, ABE1 Jack Delanoy, AC1 John Buremoh, AC2 Robert Sczepanski, AC3 Ryan Moore, AC3 Matthew Lash, ET3 Demarkus Conway, ET3 Calvin Gee, ABH2 Devin Barks, ABH2 Philip Sims, ABH2 Kevin Mitchell, ABH2 Jason Morris, ABH2 Philip Baker, ABH2 Matthew Barajas, and CS3 Darien Bradley. NALF Orange Grove Sailors continue to be impeccable Navy Ambassadors within the Jim Wells county community by promoting the US Navy Public Relations. (Photos by AC1 (AW/SW) John Buremoh)



Bravo Zulu

NASK personnel recognized

Bravo zulu to the following NAS Kingsville personnel who were recognized recently.

ABFC (AW) Joseph Determan received his second Navy Commendation Medal for his service as aviation fuels flight deck leading chief petty officer aboard USS Essex (LHD) and USS Bonhomme Richard (LHD 6) from March 2011 to February 2014. He trained and led more than 53 Sailors through two maintenance and material management certifications, three aviation certifications and a highly successful 2013 Board of Inspection and Survey, with outstanding results. Determan ensured the safe transfer of more than 2.5 million gallons of jet fuel during six multi-national deployments and humanitarian disaster relief Operation Tomadachi.

ACC (AW/SW) Dale Wagner was awarded the Navy Commendation Medal for serving as training chief, NAS Kingsville from June 2011 to April 2014. He contributed to the safe completion of 500,000 operations and the winging of 420 advanced strike Naval Aviators. His efforts were instrumental in 313 air traffic control qualifications including 10 facility watch supervisors. His training program was key to the successful completion of the 2013 NATOPS evaluation and regional operations assistant and assistance program inspection. Wagner managed Navy leadership courses providing more than 200 hours of required training following advancement results.

ABEC (AW/SW) Jeffrey Stonebreaker received a Navy Commendation Medal for serving as leading chief



Cronquist



Determan



Dunn



Honeycutt



McCurdy



Stonebreaker



Wagner

petty officer, Naval Auxiliary Landing Field, Orange Grove, from February 2011 to March 2014. He led 25 Sailors in 145,000 mishap-free flight operations, three annual Naval Air Systems Command/Carrier and Field Service Unit airfield certification inspections, and 9,500 preventive and corrective maintenance actions.

AC2 Colton Cronquist was awarded a Navy Achievement Medal for serving as arrival controller at NAS Kingsville from May 2011 to May 2014. He contributed to the successful completion of more than 580,000 flight operations that produced more than 450 advance strike Navy and Marine Corps aviators. His on-the-job instructor abilities were monumental to qualifying 40 new controllers increasing facility manning by more than 25 percent. Cronquist also dedicated more than 300 hours performing in the command’s honor guard during military ceremonies.

AC2 Lattie Honeycutt was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal for serving as watch supervisor at NAS Kingsville from December 2009 to May 2014. He contributed to the successful completion of 691,000 flight operations that produced 298 advance strike Navy and Marine Corps aviators. He also dedicated more than 500 hours as honor guard rifle team leader.

EN2 (SW) Duane McCurdy received his second Navy Achievement Medal for serving as an Escondido Ranch hand from April 2011 to April 2014. He maintained a successful hunting facility that emphasized gun safety and all state game laws to more than 700 hunters proving hunter safety briefs, wildlife management and hunting requirements without incident. McCurdy also overhauled a 20-room lodge, perimeter fence boundaries, and maintained all vehicles including construction equipment, saving the Navy more than \$245,000.

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Civilians of FY14 1st quarter recognized

NAS Kingsville recognized the Sr. Civilian of the Quarter and the Civilian of the Quarter for the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2014.

Charlie Ratliff, NAS Kingsville safety specialist, was named Sr. Civilian of the Quarter and recognized for revitalizing nine Navy Occupational Safety and Health programs.



Ratliff

"He (Ratliff) does not hesitate to assist others on the installation," said Mike Sparks, safety officer. "His performance has been remarkable. Charlie continues to be a valuable member of the NASK Safety Team."

Some of Ratliff's accomplishments include bringing several safety programs into compliance with Navy standards, increasing the annual occupational safety and health (OSH) inspection completion rate from 12 buildings in 2012 to 175 buildings in 2013, working with Branch Health Kingsville to increase the completion rate of the medical surveillance programs, and more.

"I enjoy doing Occupational Safety and Health Inspections," said Ratliff, who is a Fort Worth, Texas, native, and has been an NASK safety specialist for the past 16 months.

Brian Segan, an equipment operator and target spotter at McMullen Target Range, was selected as Civilian of the Quarter. The Minneapolis, Minn., native has been working for NAS Kingsville for 29 years and says he enjoys his job of operating heavy equipment, maintaining the equipment and working on the Weapons Impact Scoring System (WISS), which provides pilot training for delivery of air-to-ground ordnance.



Segan

"He does the maintenance and cleanup of all buildings inside and out, and vehicles," said Art Villareal, Segan's supervisor. "He also assisted in the success of the Wings Over South Texas air show by operating a semi-truck and trailer to and from Corpus Christi delivering equipment that was needed."

Segan says working for the Navy brings him great satisfaction and the best part of his job is the people. "I am thankful for the recognition by my superiors, for this award," Segan added.

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ET3 Scott Dunn was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal for his service as ground electronics radar technician aboard NAS Kingsville from May 2012 to March 2014. He completed 584 preventive maintenance checks, responded to 132 trouble calls and repaired three casualties to the digital airport

surveillance radar. Dunn directly contributed 56 off-duty hours assisting SPAWAR in working out unforeseen issues during the installation of two video information display screens. He also provided audio and music support for several retirements and change of command ceremonies.

Sports

Captain's Cup Bowling

The Army Reserve Unit at NAS Kingsville claimed the championship of the 2014 Captain's Cup Bowling tournament in March. Army compiled a team total pinfall of 12,957 with an individual average score of 144 to take top honors. VT-21 came in second with 12,189 total pins with an individual average of 135, while VT-22 finished in third place (11,756/131) and Medical claimed fourth place in the tournament (11,193/124).

No registration required. Simply walk in and lift. Participation points available.

May 17 – Beach-to-Bay Marathon – Official race registration required. When official race results are posted, points will be awarded.

May 20 – Snag Golf – Six holes of competition, at 6 p.m., on the football field.

May 29 – Singles Ping Pong Tournament, at 6 p.m.

Captain's Cup point standings as of April 7:

- 1) VT-22 – 560 points
- 2) VT-21 – 527 points
- 3) Air Ops – 515 points
- 4) Army – 501 points
- 5) Medical – 190 points
- 6) Admin – 105 points
- 7) Orange Grove – 50 points
- 8) TW-2 – 47 points
- 9) Security – 10 points

Captain's Cup Events

April 22 – Doubles Ping Pong Tournament, begins at 6 p.m. Sign-up at Fitness Center front desk.

May 5 – Softball League – Captains' meeting will be held May 1, at 6 p.m. Rosters available at the Fitness Center front desk. Games will be played Mondays and Wednesdays at 6 and 7 p.m.

May 15 – Bench Press Competition – All day event with men's and women's divisions.

(Provided by Ashley Donovan, Sports & Aquatics Coordinator)

Drumbeats from page 5

*Engage him/her in a conversation to slow down the drinking.

*Offer high protein food.

*Offer to make the next drink and use less alcohol.

*Don't be afraid to insist that they sit out the sipping for a while or switch to beverages of the non-alcoholic variety—sparkling cider makes a great substitute for a glass of champagne.

Drug Use: If you find yourself in a situation where you have to make a conscious decision about using drugs remember this last year over 4,500 Sailors found themselves in that same situation and they made the wrong choice. They received Other Than Honorable Discharges and lost all their education benefits.

For information on the Navy's drug and alcohol policies and programs, contact your Command DAPA ABEC Andre Shelton or ABH1 Edwin Castro.

The bottom line shipmates: In all of the above, YOU are the key to our success in the Navy! Intervene, speak up and look out for one another...don't be the one who stands by and watches a shipmate fall.

In the Doghouse League Standings as of April 8

Place	Team	Won	Lost
1	Los Leones	70	50
2	SA 2	69.5	50.5
3	DNA	66.5	53.5
4	Three J's	66	54
5	Alley Cats	60	60
6	Flat Tires	50	70
7	Team 7	0	108
8	Ghost	0	0

High Score Game-Men: JD Monroe, 299; Joey Soliz, 279; Rich Kolk Jr., 279.

High Score Series-Men: Rich Kolk Jr., 735; Joey Soliz, 685; Eric Joles, 674.

Wednesday Nite Mixed Standings as of April 9

Place	Team	Won	Lost
1	DUH's	71	45
2	I Can't Believe	62	54
3	Rattlers	61	55
4	Kings & Queens	59	57
5	IBowlers	57	59
6	Chemcel Strikers	53	63
7	Big K Rollers	51	65
8	Laugh Out Loud	50	66

High Score Game-Men: Nathan Johnson, 297; JD Monroe, 279; Joey Soliz, 277.

High Score Series-Men: Eric Joles, 697; Rich Kolk Jr., 689; Buddy Wilson, 664.

High Score Game-Women: Shirlye Duffy, 229; Carmen Arevalo, 220; Kathy Court, 215.

High Score Series-Women: Carmen Arevalo, 598; Shirlye Duffy, 588; Delia Monroe, 562.

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Keeping it green -- April is Environmental Awareness Month at NAS Kingsville. Pictured here, Capt. Chris Misner, NAS Kingsville commanding officer, signs a proclamation designating April as Environmental Awareness Month at NAS Kingsville. Pictured from left are also Norma Barrera, environmental director; Steve Phalon, assistant public works officer; and Lt. Cmdr. Eric Hass, public works officer. Also in celebration of Earth Day, April 22, there will be an Earth Day 5K run/2K walk from 7 to 8 a.m., starting from the parking lot across the street from the Fire Station. Public Works personnel will also participate in the Texas A&M University-Kingsville Earth Day Fair from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The event is open to the public. For more information, call 516-6404.

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