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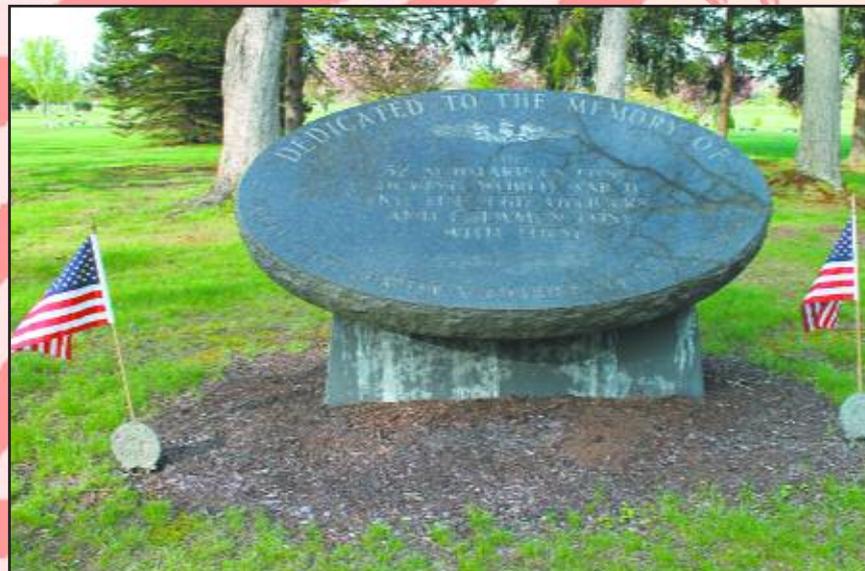
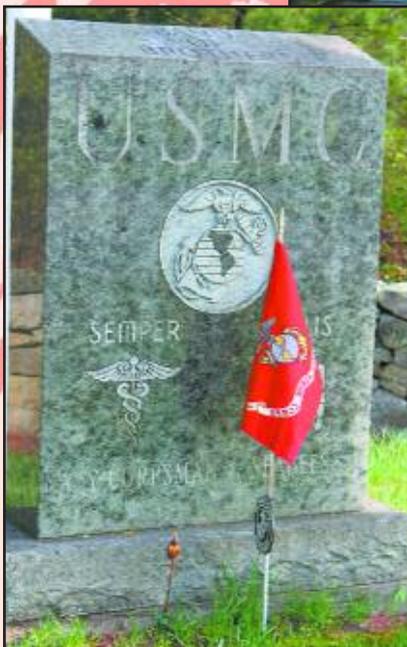
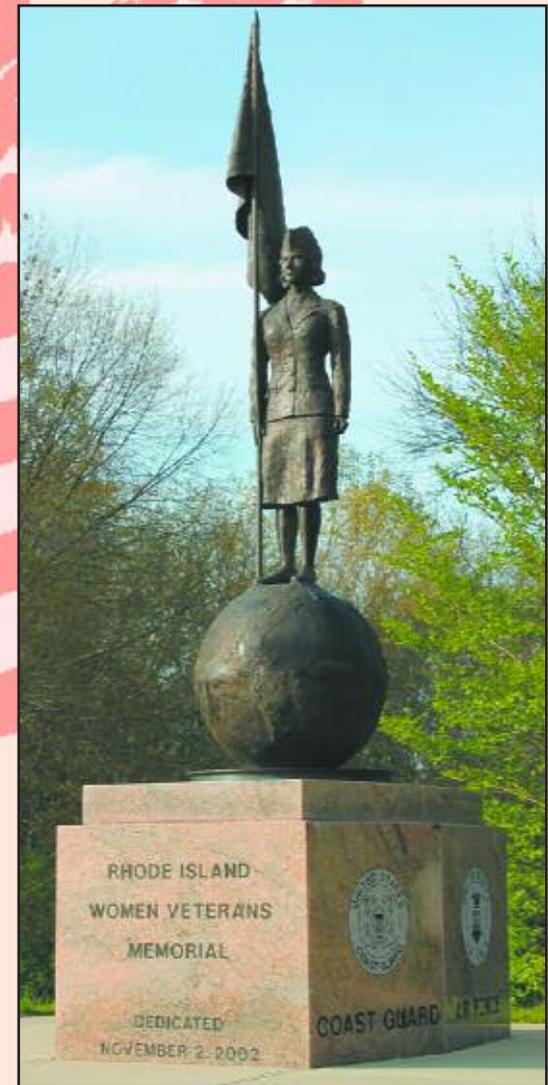
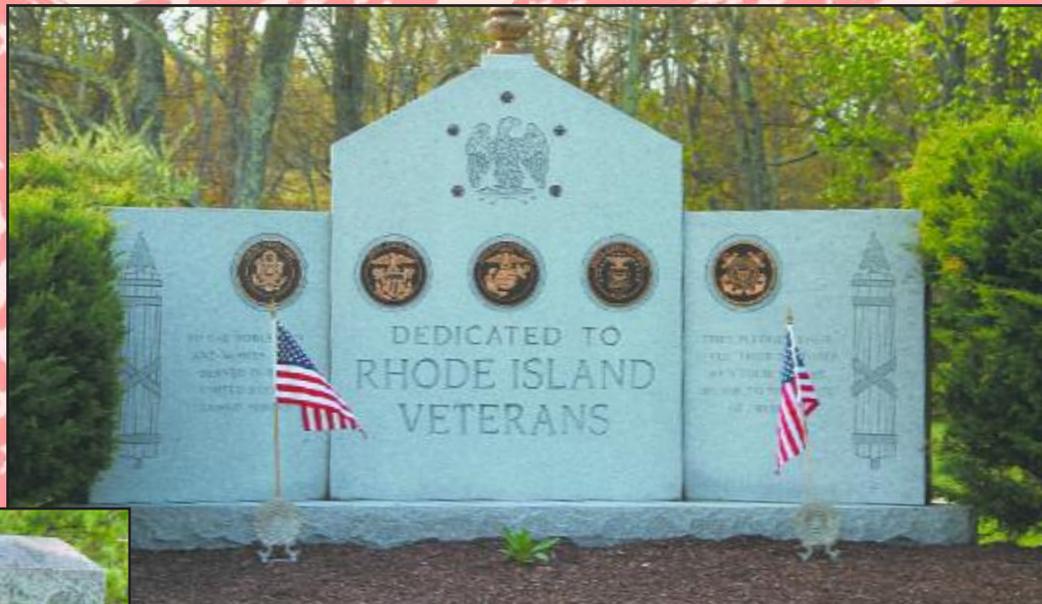
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Memorial Day, 2012



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LASTING TRIBUTES — Some of the 30 or more memorials at the Rhode Island Veterans Cemetery in Exeter pay tribute to servicemen and women lost in U.S. wars and conflicts. Clockwise, from top left, are the Rhode Island Veterans marker dedicated to all who served in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force and Coast Guard; the Rhode Island Women Veterans Memorial; the Ocean State Chapter Submarine Veterans; and the U.S. Marine Corps Band of Brothers. Stories, Page 2.



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Capt. Douglas Mikatarian, Commanding Officer, Naval Station Newport, addresses nearly 125 guests at the 67th annual Jewish War Veterans Memorial Service at the Memorial Wall of Honor last Sunday at the Lincoln Park Cemetery in Warwick. Seated, from left, are Rabbi Richard Perlman, Cantor Remmie Brown and Sanford H. Gorodetsky, Department Commander, R.I. Jewish War Veterans. The Jewish War Veterans of the United States is the oldest veterans organization in the country, founded in 1896.

Memorial Day observances planned for area

As Americans celebrate Memorial Day on Monday, May 28, the following is a list of events that are happening throughout the area and include the participation of Naval Station Newport commands:

Newport

The United Veterans Council of Newport County will sponsor a Memorial Day ceremony in front of Newport City Hall on Monday at noon. Capt. Russell Knight, Chief of Staff for the Naval War College is the guest speaker at this event where the Newport Artillery Co., Rogers High School Army Junior ROTC, veterans organizations, clergy, city and legislative officials will participate. The public is welcome.

Tiverton

The Tiverton Garden Club will have a Blue Star Memorial marker dedication at Grinnell's Beach, 1837 Main Road, on Monday at 1 p.m., with the Marine Corps Detachment Newport color guard participating. This is a tribute to all armed forces, past, present and future and all are



welcome. Call (401) 625-1370 for information.

Bristol

The Bristol Memorial Day Parade will be held Monday beginning at 9:30 a.m. from the North Burial Grounds. Capt. Douglas Mikatarian, Commanding Officer, Naval Station Newport, will be participating and laying a wreath along the one-mile parade route along with Capt. Vernon Kemper, Commanding Officer, Officer Training Command Newport (OTCN), members of OTCN and the Naval War College

color guard. The parade will end at the Bristol War Garden where a wreath-laying ceremony and cannon salute will take place. For information contact Ginny Hanson, President, Bristol United Veterans Council, at (401) 846-6932.

Fall River

The Naval Health Clinic New England color guard will participate in the Fall River Memorial Day parade that will take place on Monday at 2 p.m. There will be Navy participation with the participants assembling at Kennedy Park on the corner of South Main Street and Bradford Avenue.

Closing remarks will take place at the Municipal Veterans Memorial building (Bank Street Armory) at 72 Bank St. Call (774) 264-0885 for information.

Charlestown

The Marine Corps Detachment at Naval Station Newport will provide a color guard for the Charlestown Memorial Day Parade on Sunday, May 27, which steps off at 1 p.m. For information call (401) 364-9582.

Holiday pays tribute to nation's war dead

Memorial Day, May 28, observed on the last Monday of May, is the nation's opportunity to remember and honor the many men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military.

Across America, Memorial Day will be celebrated with the traditions of parades and speeches; the placing of small American flags or candles at grave-stones and war memorials; family gatherings; and the participation of military personnel and members of veterans' organizations in observances.

Approximately 31 separate memorials to veterans of specific wars and conflicts can be viewed at the Rhode Island Veterans Cemetery, Exeter, R.I.

It is about coming together to honor those in uniform who gave their all to protect and defend our freedoms, and reflects proudly on our traditions and demonstration of appreciation.

Once known as Decoration Day, it originated as a nationwide day of remembrance for those who died while fighting in the Civil War. Following World War I, Memorial Day evolved to

commemorate American military personnel who died in all wars.

Since the first Memorial Day was officially proclaimed on May 5, 1868, more than 41 million Americans have served in the military and more than 1 million have died to protect our nation's freedom.

— World War I: over 600,000 Navy personnel and 78,000 Marines served. Navy and Marine deaths totaled 10,000

— World War II: over 4 million Navy personnel and 600,000 Marines served. Navy and Marine deaths totaled 87,000.

— Korean War: over 1 million Navy personnel and 400,000 Marines served. Navy and Marine deaths totaled over 6,000.

— Vietnam Conflict: Nearly 2 million Navy personnel and 800,000 Marines served. Navy and Marine deaths totaled over 17,000.

— Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation New Dawn, and Operation Enduring Freedom: U.S. deaths (as of May 21) – 6,453 service members.

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RIGHT: John Burke, far left, a Marine Corps veteran, assists R.I. Veterans Home resident Leo Fuchs (partially hidden) attach a new flag to the half-painted flag pole as Jim Burke, Army veteran, center, holds the flag and Walter Burke, far right, director of Bristol Parks and Recreation, looks on. The flag-raising took place at noon on Armed Forces Day at the home.

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Huge volunteer work force descends on Veterans Home

By **LISA RAMA**
NAVSTA Public Affairs Officer

BRISTOL — Sailors, Marines, contractors, businesses, veterans and members of the general public converged on the Rhode Island Veterans Home last weekend for an Armed Forces Day “extreme makeover” of seven aging courtyards and pavilions.

Some areas were in such disrepair they were unusable to the nearly 200 residents of the facility. Some were not handicapped accessible nor had any amenities such as walking paths, benches or tables. Some of the gardens had received attention with flower beds planted by master gardeners at the University of Rhode Island, but the area needed some

serious attention.

Walter Burke, director of Bristol Parks & Recreation, called for assistance about a month ago. He rallied the help of landscape architects, contractors, corporations and small businesses in Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and hundreds of individuals from veterans organizations, youth groups, civic groups, military associations and others with no connection at all to the Veterans Home showed up.

Naval Station Newport volunteers provided manpower all last week, leading up to the big weekend “makeover.” Volunteers came from the Naval Undersea Warfare Center, Navy Supply Corps School, Naval Station Newport, Naval Mobile Construction

Battalion 21 (NMCB21), Officer Training Command Newport, the Naval Academy Prep School and Navy Federal Credit Union. They demolished some of the old courtyards and structures to make way for new designs.

By 11 a.m. Saturday almost 160 people were working at the home, including Marines from Marine Corps Detachment Newport; Seabees from Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 21; NAVSTA Sailors and Navy Operational Support Center, along with dozens of contractors with back hoes, jack hammers and dump trucks.

“I didn’t have to come over here, but I like being a part of something like this,”
VETERANS, Page 14



Pfc. Sean Fontanes, on ladder, and Pvt. Tim Kulesza, both attached to Marine Corps Detachment Newport, help paint the pavilion at the R.I. Veterans Home in Bristol last Saturday.

2 schools rank high

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U.S. News and World Report and the American Institutes for Research recently ranked Portsmouth High School No. 5 and Rogers High School in Newport No. 8 among 59 public high schools in Rhode Island. The list includes charter schools and technical and career centers.

To determine “Best High Schools” rankings, schools were analyzed at the state level in terms of how well students performed on state assessment tests, taking into account the scores of disadvantaged students, defined as low-income, Hispanic and black, who tend to score lower on such tests.

Besides proficiency on state math and English assessment tests, the student-teacher ratio in each school played a role in the rankings. Portsmouth has 12 students for each teacher, and Rogers has 11 students for each teacher.

High schools then were ranked in terms of college readiness. U.S. News determined the degree to which schools prepare students for college-level work by analyzing student success in Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate programs, both of which include college-level courses.

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Navy Exchange employees receive a group award for their participation in the Earth Day Base Cleanup in April during the store's first quarter awards ceremony May 11. From left are Patrina Jordan, general manager; Bethany Mailloux; Tina Concepcion; Tracy Telford; Melissa Leffingwell; Kaila Aguiar; Leslie Matson; Christopher Sisson; Dawn Adams; Danielle Lewis and NAVSTA Command Master Chief Don Ouellette, who presented the award.



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NAVSTA's Command Master Chief Donald Ouellette presents Patrina Jordan, Navy Exchange general manager, with a Certificate of Appreciation for NEX's support with the Navy Marine Corp Relief Society Fund Drive. NEX held its first quarter awards ceremony on May 11.

3 new ombudsmen earn basic training

The Ombudsman Basic Training course was held at the Fleet and Family Support Center, May 14-16.

The following individuals demonstrated their dedication and support to the Navy's Ombudsman Program as well as their commands, crew and families by successfully completing the required training in order to fulfill their duties and responsibilities as command ombudsman or command support team member:

- Michelle Faulkner, Surface Warfare Officer School Command
- Kelly Gullion, Officer Training Command, Newport (OTCN)
- Judy Kemper, Command Support Team member OTCN

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Reserve Seabees' project good benefit for NAVSTA

By **LISA RAMA**
NAVSTA Public Affairs Officer

Naval Station (NAVSTA) Newport's newest facility is opening today without much fanfare, and that's just the way the work crew likes it. But it will result in improved operations on the base for all.

Members of the Navy Reserve Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 21 (NMCB21) out of Lakehurst, N.J., tightened the final screws and finished off the drainage ditches on the new road material storage bin next to Building 47 on Coddington Cove.

The bin consists of nine separate areas where road

materials — such as asphalt, stone, sand and loam — will be divided for use around the installation by public works road/grounds maintenance crews. The bin replaces a much smaller unit that had deteriorated.

The project was undertaken completely by Navy Reserve Seabees as a training opportunity for the battalion. Work began last summer with an initial site visit by Construction Electrician 1st Class Darren Williamson, NMCB21 site supervisor for the project.

Williamson was put on orders to report to NAVSTA Newport and served as the full time site manager over-

seeing crews consisting of an average of 10 Seabees per team who would arrive on site for two-week intervals. The project was designed by the Navy and submitted by NAVFAC Newport to the Seabees for consideration on a "call to work" list.

These lists are compiled by public works officers throughout the continental United States (CONUS) for consideration as training opportunities for various Navy Reserve Seabee units.

"This was an ideal project because it was not time sensitive," said Gary Ferreira, Public Works manager, who was at the site con-



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Construction Mechanic 2nd Class (SCW) Anthony Ventura, a Seabee in the Navy Reserves and assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 21, secures some of the final bolts to the new road material storage bin next to Building 47.

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The Naval War College will hold its 70th anniversary commemoration of the Battle of Midway event in Spruance Auditorium on Friday, June 1, beginning at noon. A lecture, including veterans who actually participated in the battle, is on the agenda. This event will be open to anyone with routine base access, but please do not attempt to park inside the NWC campus. Vehicles should be parked at the Officers' Club and Gym 109 lots.

Lose Junk in the Trunk

MIDDLETOWN — The Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department's annual Junk in the Trunk community yard sale will take place at Carr Point Recreation area, on Saturday, June 2, at 7 a.m. This event is open to the public and your chance to clean out the house and make a few dollars.

Sign up and pick your space today at the ITT office, Building 1255 or call 841-3116.

Midway flag-raising set

Naval Station Newport will host an all hands Battle of Midway commemorative flag-raising and wreath-laying memorial ceremony in front of Founders Hall on Dewey Field on June 4 beginning at 7:45 a.m.

The ceremony will be open to anyone with routine base access. The ceremony will coincide with morning colors and include the singing of the National Anthem by Lt. Cmdr. Sara de Groot and remarks by Capt. Douglas Mikatarian, Commanding Officer, Naval Station Newport.

Patriotic Navy concert

This year's Celebrate America concert will take place on Dewey Field, Monday, July 9. The field opens for patrons with Department of Defense decals at 11 a.m.

The concert is expected to coincide with the parade of sail up Narragansett Bay for the finale of the Ocean State Tall Ships Festival in Newport, July 6 to 9.

Bring your family and friends to this great concert and enjoy opening act Wayz N Means and featuring the Navy Band Northeast. The general public may enter through Gate 1 only beginning at noon. Coolers, backpacks, glass bottles, pets, outside food and drinks are not allowed. Lawn chairs and blankets are welcome.

Call 841-3127 for more information.

Announcements

NEX posts holiday hours

The Navy Exchange (NEX) has posted its hours of operation for the Main Store and its other outlets over the Memorial Day holiday, Monday, May 28.

The Main Store, the Package Store/Wine Spirits Shop, Bayside Mini-Mart and Gas Station, and the Greene Lane Mini-Mart will be open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The Uniform Store, the Naval War College Bookstore and the Barbershop will be closed.

SNA golf solicits entries

MIDDLETOWN — The Newport Chapter, Surface Navy Association Golf Tournament will be held at Green Valley Country Club on June 13, with a registration deadline of June 8. The entry fee is \$63, which includes greens fee, a golf cart, and lunch.

Contact Lt. Jeff Ward at 841-4027.

MWR revises some hours

On May 31 the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Dept. Teen Center will change its hours to Friday, 5:30 to 9 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and close Sunday through Thursday, and federal holidays.

On June 1, Outdoor Recreation Rental in Building 656 will change its hours to Monday through Friday, 3 to 6 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Sunday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and close on federal holidays.

Also on June 1 the Chief Petty Officers' Club will change its hours to Wednesday and Thursday, 4 to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday, 4 to 10 p.m. and close on Monday, Tuesday, Sunday and federal holidays for June, July and August.

Special Olympics needs help

KINGSTON — The Surface Warfare Officers School is coordinating Navy volunteers to assist with this year's Special Olympics Rhode Island Summer Games, June 1 to 3, at the University of Rhode Island.

If you can volunteer for a few hours for an event or for the entire weekend, contact Chief Operations Specialist Jonathan Hodgson at 841-4967, or email jonathan.hodgson@navy.mil for more information.

'Pink Book' needs artsy cover

The Naval Officers' Spouses' Club (NOSC) is sponsoring an artwork contest to select a cover designed by a military child for the organization's 2012-2013 Off the Record publication, *The Pink Book*. Entries can be dropped off at The Ship's Bell store at the Naval War College, or can be mailed to NOSC,

686 Cushing Road, Newport, R.I. 02841.

All contest entries must be received by June 15. To find out more about NOSC go to www.newportnosc.org or call (850)225-8975.

Burma Road speed warning

MIDDLETOWN — Because of the number of complaints of speeders and unsafe operation of motor vehicles on Defense Highway, Police are launching a voluntary compliance campaign, posting electronic signs in several places in an attempt to obtain voluntary compliance.

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Newport Commissary



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The Newport Commissary case lot sale last week had a party atmosphere with the staff grilling hamburgers and hotdogs for the patrons, plus preparing a refreshing watermelon salsa, above. From left, Brian Rogue, produce specialist from the Military Produce Group; Hospitalman Alexis Colon from NHCNE Health Promotions; Steve Furtado, Commissary administrator; and Culinary Specialist 1st Class Edgardo Agosto from Ney Hall galley hold the before and after ingredients. Watch for an announcement for the Defense Commissary Agency (DECA) Farmers Market in July for more outdoor fun at the Commissary with Ney Hall Galley and NHCNE participation.

Fresh watermelon salsa recipe

3 cups of seedless chopped watermelon

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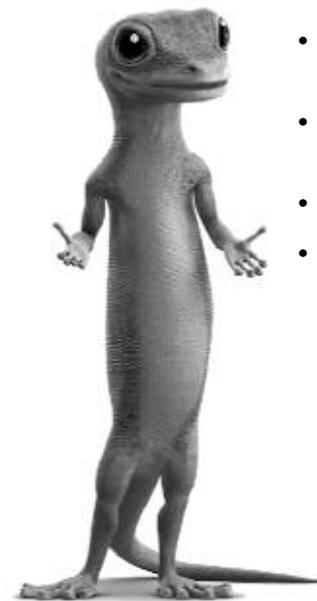
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She was idolized

LEFT: Classically trained opera singer Theresa Ruoti, 27, originally from Middletown, performs at the third annual Newport Idol contest, sponsored by Morale, Welfare and Recreation on May 15 at the Officers' Club.

The civilian contractor at SEA Corp. was graduated from the University of Florida, with a major in music/voice.

Competition was among the top 10 singers chosen from a preliminary round earlier this month. Ruoti won a professional recording studio appointment, her own CD, and a paid booking.

Judges were Capt. Doug Mikatarian, commanding officer, Naval Station Newport; Lt. Scott Mythen, Navy Band Northeast director; and Chief Naval Aircrewman Steve Smith of OTCN, the first year winner.

Kelly Conner/U.S. Navy photos

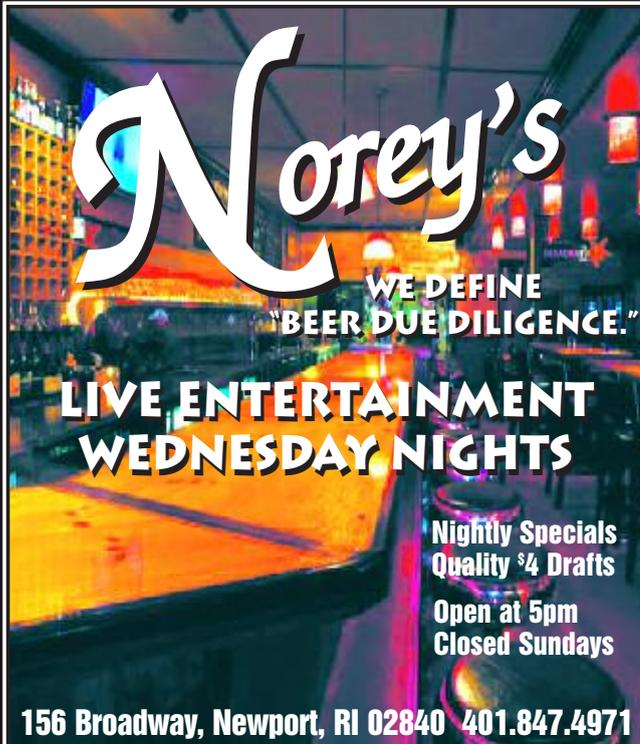


ROCK ON — Navy Band Northeast's Rhode Island Sound entertains before the singers performed and at conclusion of competition when votes were tabulated. Here, the band mimics *Party Rock Anthem* by LMFAO. From left are MUSN Chuck Malone (behind keyboards), MU2 Matt Bridges, MU3 Chris Castro (behind the drums), and MU2 Nina Church.

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NAVFAC Newport honors employees

By **LISA RAMA**
NAVSTA Public Affairs Officer

"I have had many calls over the years talking about the level of professionalism, quality and responsiveness on the part of you all in this room," said Cmdr. Gregor Bo while welcoming nearly 100 employees to the NAVFAC Public Works Newport's all hands awards and retirement ceremony Tuesday in Building A-63.

Capt. Mark Libonate, Commanding Officer of NAVFAC Mid-Atlantic, made the presentations.

Length of Service awards were earned by six employees with 185 combined years of civil service. Three employees received their retirement certificates, NAVFAC scrolls of service and plaques along with Presidential Letters of Appreciation for their combined 110 years of service.

In addition to recognizing these milestones, the nearly 100 employees from all departments in NAVFAC joined in congratulating William A. Parent on his Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Award that was presented for his achievements and superior performance of duties from February 2007 to May 2012 while serving as a work leader in the Newport Public Works Production Division.

"This award is usually presented to white collar employees," said Libonate. "This is telling of the dedication of Mr. Parent that he is being presented with this

today."

Libonate gave NAVFAC command coins to five separate employees for various outstanding achievements within the last year. Closing out the ceremony, Capt. Libonate presented Bo, outgoing Public Works Officer for Naval Station Newport, a Meritorious Service Medal (second award) for his service from June 2009 to May 2012.

"Commander Bo has put in a career's worth of hard effort and good work here in Newport," said

Libonate. A complete listing of the awardees is below. For photos of all of the awardees, go to www.facebook.com/NAVSTANewport

Awardees:

Ray Cournoyer, 25 years, Facilities Engineering and Acquisition Division (FEAD)

Jerry Montani, 25 years, Project Management and Engineering (PM&E) Branch Head

James Sprague, 25 years, Facilities Management Division (FMD) Branch Head

John Lambalot, 30 years, FEAD

Chet Turner, 35 years, Crane Inspection, Base Support Vehicles and Equipment (BSVE)

Cliff Johnson, 45 years (absent), BSVE Maintenance & Operations Supervisor

Tim Dostie, command coin, Production Division

Albert Asher, command coin, Production Division

Kim Choplin, command coin, FEAD

Drew Proske, command coin, FMD Requirements



Olga Sidky



Lisa Rama/U.S. Navy photos

Cmdr. Gregor S. Bo, left, NAVSTA Public Works Officer, receives the Meritorious Service Medal (second award) from Capt. Mark Libonate, Commanding Officer of NAVFAC Mid-Atlantic.



William Parent, left, NAVSTA Public Works Production Division, receives a Meritorious Civilian Service Award, presented by Capt. Mark Libonate, Commanding Officer of NAVFAC Mid-Atlantic.

Art Sylvester, command coin, Environmental

Terry Trudeau, retirement after 33 years, Facilities Maintenance Facility Support (FMFS) Branch

Gary Blanchette, retirement after 37 years, BSVE Crane Inspection.

Olga Sidky, retirement after 40 years, FEAD

William Parent, Meritorious Civilian Service Award, Production Division.

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Runaway kids



KIDS DAY — Almost 70 children signed up last Saturday to compete in the fifth annual America's Kids Pentathlon at Nimitz Field, Coddington Point. It was open to children of active duty personnel, retirees, reservists, family members and DoD employees. Children ages 5 through 12 competed in running, a soccer shoot-out, obstacle course challenge, a throwing challenge, and field goal kicking. In photos at right, an unidentified boy tries a field goal kick, and two children bounce down the obstacle trail; and above, the children begin a run around the 400-meter McCool track.

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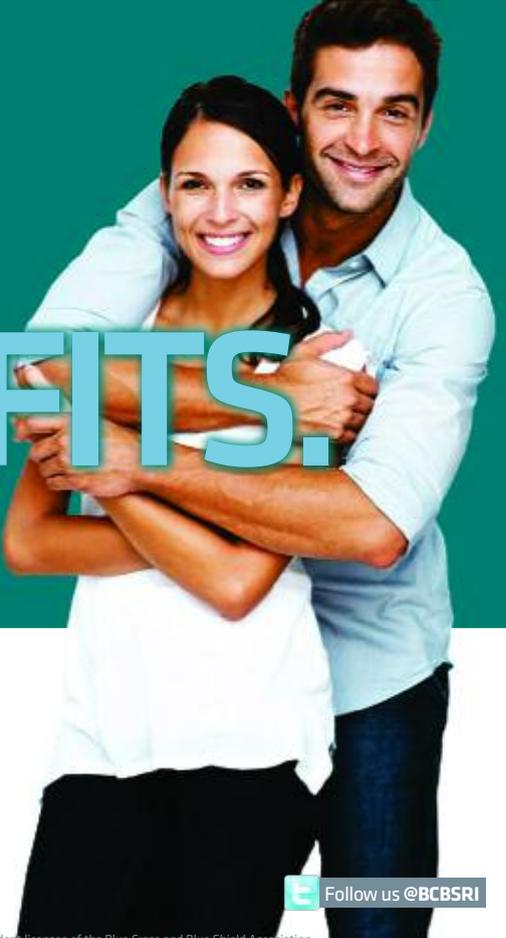
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Workshop can help couples in conflict

EDITOR'S NOTE: Some of the Fleet and Family Support Center workshops and meetings require registration. Call 841-2283. FFSC will be closed for the Memorial Day holiday, Monday, May 28.

Many of us have had the experience of having a serious disagreement with our partners, only to have the conversation go "way off topic." We start out arguing about who does what or how things get done around the house, and sometimes find ourselves headed toward discussion

of divorce!

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FFSC will offer a workshop, Communication: Blinded by the Blizzard, on Wednesday, May 30, from 1 to 3 p.m.

This workshop focuses on how our important discussions can go awry, and includes steps we can take to keep these discussions on-track and constructive. Registration is required.

Here is a look at upcoming seminars and workshops:

—Transition Assistance Management Program



(TAMP), June 4 to 8, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

—Smooth Move Workshop, June 5, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

—Exceptional Family Member Program Point of Contact Training, June 5, 1 to 3 p.m.

—Blowing Off Steam, How to Cap It, June 6, 8 a.m. to noon.

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Sports



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More than 260 runners jump off the starting line last Friday near Weakley Hall, Surface Warfare Officers School, for the Newport Chapter, Surface Navy Association's 87th running of the 5k By The Bay.

URI professor leads 262, wins 5k By The Bay

By **RICHARD ALEXANDER**
Navalog editor

Michael Tamaro, in the 40 to 49 age group, out-paced 262 runners in the spring running of the Newport Chapter, Surface Navy Association's 5k By The Bay last Friday in a time of 17:20. The women's winner in the 87th biannual race was Shira Fuller, in the 18-29 age group, in a time of 19:33.

Tamaro, 41, president of the Narragansett Running Association, is a professor at the University of Rhode Island. He has competed in 14 marathons,



Tamaro



Fuller

including four Boston Marathons, according to *Runner's World* magazine. Fuller, 24, of Newport also won the 18 to 24 age division of the Block Island Shad Bloom 10k on May 12. The SNA race began behind Weakley Hall at the Surface Warfare Officers School. The course wound

through Coasters' Harbor Island, crossed over to Codding Point, and returned to SWOS.

Proceeds from entry fees benefited the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society, which provides emergency financial assistance to active duty and retired Navy and Marine Corps personnel; and the Newport Chapter SNA.

Trophies were presented to Tamaro and Fuller, and

the top three finishers in team divisions.

The results were tabulated by Spittler Race Systems.

The top three places in each age group follow:

Age 17 and under
Men: Walter Mey III, 20:57; Tyler Maguire, 20:58; Tyler Actkinson, 33:32.

Age 18-29
Men: Ralph Lufkin, 17:27; Michael Madden, 17:58; Eric Burner Abt, 18:31.

Women: Jackley Vendola, 20:54; Jamie Mey, 22:21; Valerie

Mey, 22:27.

Age 30-39
Men: Tal Politis, 18:15; Todd Simpson, 18:56; Jeff Thurnher, 19:30.

Women: Michelle Hilario, 20:24; Genevra Stewart, 20:28; Yuting Lin, 22:27.

Age 40-49
Men: Mike Cason, 17:47; Gerry Leonard, 18:49; Paul Letoile, 19:00.

Women: Julie Kaull, 21:00; Norine Courtemanche, 21:59; Wendy Custanza, 22:32.

Age 50-59

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Retired Philippine navy Capt. Armando B. Heredia, left, guest speaker at Naval Station Newport's observance of Asian and Pacific American Heritage month, is greeted by Capt. Douglas Mikatarian, commanding officer, Naval Station Newport, prior to his remarks, May 17, at Ney Hall galley. Lt. Catherine Lim, Food Service Officer, rear left, served as master of ceremonies. Chaplain (Lt.) Jonathan Henderson, rear right, deputy command chaplain, provided the opening prayer. A special Asian and Pacific Islander lunch was on the galley menu.

Seabees

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gratulating the crew last week. "When we first put in for this project, I was a bit apprehensive because I wasn't sure how they were going to manage a revolving crew. I could not be happier with the way this turned out."

Crews arrived for work last July, August and September. Work stopped in October due to operational issues and weather and resumed again in early March with the largest crew of 19 Seabees arriving May 13 to wrap it up.

Williamson and most of the other members of

NMCB21 had returned from recent deployments in Iraq and Afghanistan just prior to starting this job last summer. It served as a good transition for many members of the unit and allowed them to improve or keep their skills fresh while also reintegrating with their families and full time civilian jobs.

"Each of the Seabees who participated in this project received training that will be documented on their records back at the command," Williamson said. "The project involved many

of the basic construction tasks Seabees are called on to perform while on deployments; they dug footings; laid rebar; poured the foundation; worked with heavy timber construction and steel corrugated roofing.

"This was a win-win for the Navy," said Public Works Officer Cmdr. Gregor Bo. "We were able to provide some valuable training for the Sailors while gaining a much improved storage bin that will reduce our waste and improve our operations."

5k Race

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Men: John Houfek, 18:42; Dan Hartnett, 18:43; Peter Barbera, 19:03.

Women: Solange Morrissette, 23:37; Deborah Lysik, 25:30, Cricket Meehan, 26:21.

Age 60-plus

Kevin McCarthy, 20:01; Don-

ald Clukies, 25:44; Bob Hart, 28:31.

Women: Linda Wortman, 29:33.

Teams

Team SSG, Strategic Studies Group, was first in a combined time of 1:41:21.

Team members included

Gerry Leonard, Alistair McLean, Charles Logan, John Litherland and John Gelinne.

Second place was Team Mey, all related by family, in a time of 1:44:11; and third, Your Pace or Mine? in 1:49:37.

Complete results are posted at www.coolrunning.com

Memorial Day

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The National Moment of Remembrance resolution, passed in 2000, asks that all Americans, at 3 p.m. local time, voluntarily and informally observe in their own way a moment of remembrance and respect, pausing from whatever they are doing for a moment of silence or listening to "Taps."

The American flag displayed is one of the most important symbols of this Federal holiday. Specific guidelines to follow when displaying the flag include:

— Fly the American flag at half-staff until noon on Memorial Day. To do this, first hoist it to the top of the pole for an instant, and then lower it to the half-staff position until noon.

— After the noon hour, raise the flag back to the peak of the pole.

— When displayed with other flags, place the American flag at the center and at the highest peak. Always raise it first and lower it last, hoisting it quickly and lowering it ceremoniously.

— Display the American flag on a staff if used on a float. If displayed on a car, secure the staff to the right fender.

Veterans

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said Culinary Specialist 2nd Class Richard Ebido from NAVSTA's Ney Hall galley. "These oldtimers had it tough."

Ebido had just taken his oath of citizenship the day prior and had been at the home volunteering earlier in the week.

New England Tree Works provided a large truck with a bucket lift to lay a fresh coat of paint on the main flag pole in front of the home – the site of many ceremonies.

Cardi's Furniture sent a truck loaded with garden furniture that will be placed in the newly renovated courtyards once the projects are complete. Owners Nick, Ron and Pete Cardi showed up just to say hello to the veterans.

The outpouring of generosity was incredible. Ben Harris, a World War II Navy veteran who was a cook on a sub chaser in 1943, said, "I don't know if you can see them, but all around you there are angels. Because what you people are doing is so wonderful you must be guided by angels."

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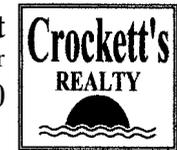
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