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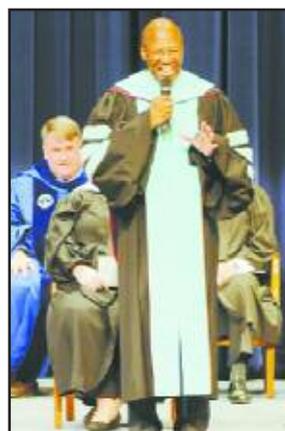
The Sea and Anchor Detail (inset photo) of the USS Mahan (DDG 72) musters on the foredeck as the guided missile destroyer passes the weathered decommissioned aircraft carrier Saratoga, far left, at Pier 1 last Monday for a week-long visit to Naval Station Newport. The ship was in port as part of the Surface Warfare Officers School Command's visiting ships program. Another picture, Page 15.



## Veterans relate their war stories

Navy Band Northeast musicians volunteer to collect stories about wartime from aging veterans for a Library of Congress history project.

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## NWC welcomes Class of 2012

An undersecretary of defense is one of two award recipients recognized at the Naval War College Convocation to welcome the Class of 2012.

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## Starbase preps for 5th graders

Starbase-Atlantis moves into new spaces at Perry Hall as it prepares its Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) program aimed at fifth graders.

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# NUWC opens, dedicates new \$11M towed array lab

MIDDLETOWN — The Naval Undersea Warfare Center (NUWC) Division Newport held ribbon cutting and dedication ceremonies last Tuesday for a new \$11 million Maritime Sub-surface Sensor Operations Laboratory on the NUWC compound.

Under construction since its July 31, 2009, groundbreaking,

the 40,000-square-foot, single-story laboratory provides secure workspace for the testing, refurbishment, and maintenance of towed arrays.

This addition to NUWC Division Newport integrates all towed array, tow cable and hose repair into a consolidated facility. The new facility houses one-of-a-kind

equipment for towed arrays, unique test equipment, as well as specialized material handling equipment.

The towed array functions performed in this building have been relocated to Newport as part of the 2005 Base Realignment And Closure (BRAC) commission initiative to centralize maritime

subsurface sensors functions within the Navy to NUWC Newport. The new lab has been married to an existing structure to create the U.S. Navy's only facility capable of providing development and full life cycle support of towed arrays for both surface ships and submarines.

The general contractor for the

project is the H.V. Collins Company, Inc., of Providence. The primary architect is Edward Rowse Architects, also of Providence

NUWC Newport is one of two divisions of the Naval Undersea Warfare Center. NUWC's other division is located in Keyport, Wash.

Wilia Dalenberg, right, a resident of a local assisted living facility and an Army World War II veteran, is interviewed about her military experiences by Musician 2nd Class David Harbuziuk and Musician 2nd Class Kristen Snitzer, Navy Band Northeast, for the Library of Congress Veterans History Project. Looking on is Dalenberg's daughter, Donna.

Bob Krekorian/U.S. Navy photos



## Vets' war stories logged for history

By **BOB KREKORIAN**  
NAVSTA Public Affairs Staff

Three members of Navy Band Northeast have been talking to U.S. veterans since April 2011 about their recollections of military service during wartime for the Library of Congress Veterans History Project (VHP).

Congress created the VHP in 2000 as part of the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress. The project's mission is to collect, preserve, and make accessible the personal accounts of American war veterans so that future generations may hear directly from veterans and better understand the realities of

war.

"I realized this project would be a great volunteer opportunity for active duty personnel to interact with veterans," said Musician 2nd Class Kristen Snitzer, project leader.

VHP provides a field kit for an interviewer that contains tips and tools to conduct the best possible interview of a veteran.

Volunteers conduct interviews with veterans and collect historical documents on behalf of the Library of Congress. The interview process begins with a series of standardized questions to help the interviewer learn background information about **VETS, Page 18**



**PETER Dalenberg displays his Dress Blue Jumper that he wore as a second class petty officer during World War II.**

## Navy hiring process shifts to USAJOBS

The Department of the Navy, effective this week, began a transition from CHART/Resumix to USAJOBS/USA Staffing as the automated tool for job applicants, the Human Resources Service Center, Northeast, has announced.

This applies to both internal merit promotion and external vacancies.

There are many sources of information to help applicants prepare, including:

The Employee Applicant Checklist at <http://www-public.navy.mil/donhr/Employment/HiringReform1/EmployeeApplicant%20Transition%20Checklist.pdf>  
<http://www-public.navy.mil/donhr/Employment/hiringreform/Pages/Applicant-Toolkit.aspx> for specific

guidance, tutorials and frequently asked question for applicants.

[DONHRFAQ@navy.mil](mailto:DONHRFAQ@navy.mil) is an e-mail address for questions on hiring reform. The implementation team at OCHR will provide a response.

Applicants should take the time to visit the various websites and links provided above to get a full understanding of what this change means, but here are some highlights of the most significant items of interest and impact:

- Applicants should set up a USAJOBS account to directly apply for positions, including those in your current activity. Visit <https://my.usajobs.gov/login>

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## Quick take



**Name:** Maj. Michael J. Bodell  
**Job title:** Department of Defense Police operations officer

**Command:** NAVSTA Newport Security Dept.  
**Home town:** Riverside, R.I.

**Most memorable career event:** Serving with the presidential security detail for the 2007 visit by President Bush to the Naval War College.

**Favorite duty station:** NAVSTA Newport

**Role model(s):** My high school teacher/coach; and Sisyphus from Greek mythology.

**Free time activities:** Spending time with my wife and family, bowling and running.

**Favorite book:** Any *Spenser* novel from the late Robert B. Parker

**Favorite movie:** *The Right Stuff*

**Favorite TV show:** *Pawn Stars*

**Favorite sport:** Hockey

**Favorite team:** Boston Bruins

**Favorite local restaurant:** Brick Alley Pub

**Favorite motto, quote, phrase:** "The quality of a person's life is in direct proportion to their commitment to excellence, regardless of their chosen field of endeavor" - Vincent Lombardi

**Long-term goal in life:** Retire happy, healthy and wealthy in Grand Cayman Islands

**If you could, what one thing would you add to NAVSTA Newport:** Construct a recreational outdoor shooting range inside one of the former Melville fuel tank farms.

# NWC welcomes Class of 2012

By **JAMES E. BROOKS**  
NWC Public Affairs Staff

The U.S. Naval War College (NWC) paid tribute to its newest class of approximately 600 resident students from the armed forces and civilian federal agencies in a convocation ceremony in Spruance Hall Auditorium last Tuesday.

The convocation formally assembled the college community to start the academic year and included a faculty procession in academic regalia as well as a historical overview of the college's contributions by Dr. John Hattendorf, the Ernest J. King Professor of Maritime History.

NWC President Rear **CLASS OF 2012, Page 18**



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Senior faculty and the president of the Naval War College Rear Adm. John Christenson, right, stand before the start of Convocation ceremonies for the Class of 2012 at the Naval War College on Tuesday morning in Spruance Hall.

## NAVFAC awards \$27M contract to NUWC

### Electromagnetic sensor facility is energy efficient

By **TOM KREIDEL**  
NAVFAC Public Affairs Office

NORFOLK (NNS) — The Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Mid-Atlantic awarded a \$27 million contract Aug. 9 for construction of a new electromagnetic sensor facility at the Naval Undersea Warfare Center Division, Newport, R.I.

According to Christopher

Hester, an architectural design manager with NAVFAC Mid-Atlantic's Northeast Integrated Product Team (IPT), this project was designed in-house, an advantage for this one-of-a-kind facility.

This project demonstrates the Navy's commitment to sustainable design and environmental stewardship, as it is being built to achieve Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Gold rating; meaning it will be designed and built using strategies intended to improve per-

formance towards energy savings, water efficiency, carbon dioxide emissions reduction, improved indoor environmental quality, and stewardship of resources and sensitivity to their impacts.

Some of the environmentally friendly aspects of the project include energy efficient insulation, solar panels, low flow toilet fixtures and a gray water irrigation system.

The project is scheduled to be completed July 2013.

Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus laid out five aggres-

sive energy goals in October 2009 to improve our energy security and efficiency, increase our energy independence, and help lead the nation toward a clean energy economy. This initiative assists in achieving the energy goal of increasing alternative energy afloat and ashore where by 2020, the Department of the Navy (DON) will produce at least 50 percent of shore-based energy requirements from alternative sources and 50 percent of DON installations will be net-zero.



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# Information session at NHCNE benefits tenant ombudsmen

The Naval Health Clinic New England (NHCNE) hosted the quarterly Naval Station Newport ombudsman meeting on Aug. 9, reports Kathy L. MacKnight, public affairs officer at NHCNE.

Paul Salesi, Fleet and Family Support Center educator and ombudsman coordinator, welcomed more than 30 attendees from the Naval Station Newport tenant commands. Presentations during the evening were given by Capt.



**Salesi**

S. L. Hartzell, executive officer of NHCNE; Janet McCarthy, FFSC school liaison officer; Pam Martin, Operation Military Kids (OMK) and April Childs, NHCNE public health educator.

Topics covered were the medical services offered by NHCNE, infor-

mation on local area school registration of children for the upcoming school year, family program opportunities through 4-H Clubs and the University of Rhode Island, availability of "Hero Packs" (school backpacks for children of deployed personnel), and the host of wellness classes offered at NHCNE for active duty, their dependants, and retirees.

Childs said many classes offered by the Wellness Department at NHCNE include Tobacco Cessation, Eat Smart, Healthy Heart, Back Safety and Diabetes Nutrition. For more

information, call the Wellness Clinic at 841-6777, or visit NHCNE's Facebook site and check the listing of classes under the Events tab.



Kathy MacKnight/U.S. Navy photo

**April Childs, public health educator, addresses the ombudsman meeting on services offered in the Wellness Department at Naval Health Clinic New England.**



Kelly Conner/MWR photo

**Paula Szabo holds her Navy Child Development Home Provider certification recently presented by Child Development Center Director Dianna Scuncio which permits Szabo to run in-home child care as an alternative to center-based care. Experienced in early childhood education, Szabo came to Naval Station Newport from a Marine Corps base where she also was certified. Certified providers are screened, trained and monitored by the Navy. For child care referrals or for more information on the Child Development Home program, call 841-4562.**

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## Special events

### Final summer concert

The general public is invited to spend Saturday evening, Sept. 3, on Dewey Field listening to the music of Navy Band Northeast and the American country sound of Little Big Town. Gate 1 opens to the public at 5 p.m.

The Salute to Summer concert, hosted by the Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) Department, will conclude with a fireworks display from a barge in Narragansett Bay.

There will be concessions and a Kids Zone. Attendees should bring lawn chairs and or blankets.

Because of security restrictions, coolers, backpacks, glass bottles, outside food, drinks, and plus pets are not allowed.

Both Gates 1 and 17 will be open for all vehicles to exit the concert. Field gates on Dewey Field open at 4 p.m.

For more information, call MWR Special Events at (401) 841-3127 or Check out Naval Station Newport, Rhode Island on Facebook.

### ODS graduation today

Officer Development School (ODS) Class 11090 at Officer Training Command Newport will graduate today at 9 a.m. in Kay Hall.

The guest speaker will be Capt. Thomas McGue, deputy director, Command Leadership School.

Call 841-1171 for information.

### Outdoor public concerts

Newport Independent Music Festival will hold an outdoor concert Sunday from 3 to 6 p.m. at King Park on Wellington Avenue. Musicians will be Lil Anne and Hot Cayenne. The concert is presented by the city of Newport and is free to the public. Food concessions will be available.

Go to [www.nimfest.com](http://www.nimfest.com) for information.

Sweet Berry Farm at 915 Mitchells Lane, Middletown, will hold another in its free Summer Concert Series on Tuesday, Aug. 25, at 5:30 p.m. Performing will be Lois Vaughan with jazz and Latin music.

### CFC kickoff at PawSox game

PAWTUCKET – Did you know that 2011 marks the 50th anniversary of the Combined Federal Campaign?

The Local Federal Coordinating Committee (LFCC), a group of federal employee volunteers who oversee the Rhode Island and Southeastern Massachusetts CFC have combined the Providence and Newport and the Brockton and Hyannis, Mass., kickoff events into a “Family and Friends Day at McCoy Stadium” in Pawtucket.

The event will be Monday, Sept. 5, at 1 p.m., with CFC opening ceremonies at noon. There will be a barbecue at 11:00 a.m.

Tickets for the barbecue and game are \$26 per person. General admission tickets for the game only are \$7 per person. The deadline to purchase Tickets is today.

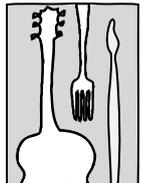
The Navy Band Northeast’s ceremonial band will perform and will lead CFC officials, charity representatives, and federal employees and their guests (including any children you may bring) on to the field for the opening ceremonies.

BBQ ticket holders as well as general admission ticket holders will be able to participate in the opening ceremonies.

Contact Denise Matherne for tickets at 841-3549 or at [denise.matherne@navy.mil](mailto:denise.matherne@navy.mil). If you have any questions, please call (401) 942-2394

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## Fleet and Family Support Center

# Let's get a handle on home finances

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Some of the Fleet and Family Support Center workshops and meetings require registration. Call 841-2283.

FFSC closed for Labor Day holiday, Monday, Sept. 5.

Are your home finances out of control?

The FFSC class, Develop Your Spending Plan, will meet Tuesday, Aug. 23, from 2:30 to 4 p.m.

The class includes setting goals that are SMART (Specific, Measurable, Action-Oriented, Realistic, and Timely); learning to distinguish between net, gross and disposable income; learning how to complete a financial planning worksheet consisting of calculations of net worth, monthly income, monthly savings and living expenses, indebtedness and debt-to-income ratio; and examining options to increase income, decrease expenses and decrease indebtedness. Attendees should bring a personal laptop with Excel software to work on your spending plan. Call FFSC for more information or to

register.

**Addictive Behavior** — Are you trapped in addictive behaviors such as overeating, overspending, sexual addictions, alcohol, sports? Would you like to understand and change these behaviors that are affecting your personal and professional life?

This class, scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 24, 9-11 a.m., will provide information to change these dysfunctional behaviors.

**Rebuilding When Your Relationship Ends** — This workshop will be held at the FFSC on Aug. 25, and Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. The program is designed to help you adjust to the ending of a relationship or marriage. Call FFSC for information or to sign up.

**Smooth Move** — Ease the stress and frustration associated with the relocation of military families by attending the next Smooth Move workshop at the Fleet and Family Support Center. The workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 6, 1 to 2 p.m. Registration is required and may be made



Greg Kohlweiss/U.S. Navy photo

**BUDDING STARS** — From left, Grace Rothrock as Sara, Bayli Matheson as The Pied Piper, Victoria Bergstrom as the Mayor's Son, and Lauren Janelle as the Mayor's Daughter pose in front of Hamelin Town props during the Missoula Children's Theater dress rehearsal of *The Pied Piper*. The production was staged at the Harbor Island Conference Center last Friday. Two performances were held.

by calling 841-2283.

**Exceptional Family Member Program Point of Contact Training** — The EFMP POC training will be conducted Wednesday, Sept. 7, 9 to 11 a.m. at the Fleet and Family Support Center Conference Room.

The training has been mandated by CNIC that each command on the base have an EMFP POC. The training will highlight the EFMP history, program purpose and enrollment requirements, categories, procedures and the role of the command

EFMP POC in this process. The main goal is to increase awareness and benefits of the Exceptional Family Member Program. For additional information or to register please call Lee Hardgrove, EFMP liaison, NAVSTA, at 1-2148.

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**LAST HURRAH FOR SUMMER** — Little Big Town, an American country music quartet, will perform Saturday, Sept. 3, for Naval Station Newport's Salute to Summer concert on Dewey Field, followed by a fireworks display offshore. The free concert, sponsored by Morale, Welfare and Recreation Dept., is open to the public. Gate 1 opens for the general public at 5 p.m.

### Thrift Shop reopens

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society Thrift Shop reopened last Tuesday. The donation bin is currently open for drop-offs.

The Thrift Shop hours are Tuesday and Thursday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. For information call 841-2917 or visit [www.nmcrs.org](http://www.nmcrs.org).

### Let's Feed Families

Next week is the last full week of the nationwide Department of Defense Feds Feed Families food drive.

Food collection boxes are at the Newport Commissary; Chapel of Hope; Naval Exchange (main store); Naval Exchange Mini-Mart at Greene Lane or NAVSTA Command Building

690. Call Chaplain (Lt.) Jonathan Henderson, NAVSTA deputy command chaplain, at 841-2234 for information.

### Choristers want you

The Newport Navy Choristers are currently seeking new members for the 2011 fall season with rehearsals held Tuesdays starting on Sept. 6 at 7 p.m., on the second deck at Perry Hall, Building 440, Room 100.

The Choristers are a mixed singing group open to all members of the Newport Navy community including active duty, reserve and retired military personnel, their spouses and family members 16 years of age and older, as well as civilian DoD employ-

ees.

For more information, call Pat McGue, chairman, at 849-1135 or JoAnn Loewenthal, musical director, at 849-4823 or check out the Newport Navy Choristers' website at [www.newportnavychoristers.org](http://www.newportnavychoristers.org) or look for us now on Facebook.

### Arts celebration

**MIDDLETOWN** — Middletown Celebration of the Arts will be held at Paradise Park at Paradise and Prospect Avenues on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Admission is free.

The exhibition will showcase all that Middletown has to offer from its artistic community. It will feature live

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performances, demonstrations, artwork for sale, and food vendors, and more.

The historic Paradise School and Boyd's Windmill will be open.

### No RV parking

Long term visitors and transient military assigned to berthing on base are asked not to leave cargo trailers, boat trailers or RV/motor homes parked in the lots around the naval complex, Ensign Aaron R. Kotlarz, assistant Public Works officer, said.

MWR has a long term storage lot that is a great option for storing trailers in a controlled environment for a very affordable price.

"With all of the students returning to the respective schools and the amount of construction on-going around the base, parking for vehicles is at a premium," he said.

Call 841-2643 for more information.

### MOAA meeting

The next monthly luncheon meeting of the Southeastern New England Chapter of the Military Officers of America Association (SENE MOAA) will be at the Officers' Club, on Friday, Aug. 26.

The social starts at 11:15 a.m. with lunch at 12:15 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting is Friday, Sept. 23, for more information, call 884-



Greg Kohlweiss/U.S. Navy photo

**THRIFT SHOP REOPENS — A line forms outside the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society Thrift Shop as colors are posted for reopening last Tuesday after a short summer standdown. The donation bin is currently open. Shop hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. For information call 841-2917 or visit [www.nmcrs.org](http://www.nmcrs.org).**

4511 or 323-5995.

### OCS pass in review

Officer Candidate School Class 1511, will hold a pass-in-review at Kay Hall, on Thursday, Aug. 25, at 2 p.m.; and its graduation reception at the Officers' Club, at 5 p.m.

The class will graduate on Aug. 26 at 9 a.m. in Kay Hall.

The guest speaker will be Capt. Bob Burke, Dir., Submarine, Nuclear Power Distribution.

For more information call the Officer Training Command at 841-1171.

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[Richard.k.alexander1@navy.mil](mailto:Richard.k.alexander1@navy.mil) for the editor.

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# Starbase-Atlantis readies for school year in new lab

The Starbase-Atlantis staff is relocating to spaces under renovation on the first deck of Perry Hall in preparation for the return in September of fifth grade pupils from area public and private schools for the 2011-2012 academic year, Patrick Rossoni, director, has announced.

Starbase Atlantis is a Personal Excellence Flagship program.

Lori Henault, one of the instructors at Starbase-Atlantis, said, "We certainly miss having students here, especially in the summer months, because that is when we can really be creative in our programming."

"Last summer we introduced children to the science and technology of satellite communication and mapping and navigation through a fun, family activity called, 'geocaching,' many for the first time."

Last year 629 fifth-graders came to NAVSTA Newport from the Newport and North Kingstown public school districts, as well as from The Pennfield School, St. Philomena's School and the Atlantis Charter School.

This year, there will be pupils from The Jamestown School, plus Cluny School and St. Michael's Country Day School in Newport.

Looking back at the 2010-2011 school year STARBASE-Atlantis enjoyed many memorable events.

The pupils learned about the importance of STEM education and military and civilian career opportunities from very special volunteers including, Capt. Joseph



**A FIFTH-GRADE pupil at Starbase-Atlantis gets help for his rocket launch at Nimitz Field from a SWOS volunteer.**

Voboril, Commanding Officer (CO), Naval Station Newport; Capt. Jim Cunha, CO of Naval Academy Prep School; Cmdr. Robert Bodvake of the Surface Warfare Officers School, and NAPS Command Master Chief Andy Wilson who spoke with students at Day 5 graduation ceremonies.

Other volunteers, such as Chief Tony Wright from SWOS committed numerous hours through all kinds of weather by providing assistance to students and staff during rocket launches throughout the year.

Last February, the Navy marked the graduation of its 100,000th student to attend the Navy's Starbase-Atlantis premier educational outreach program. Newport celebrated this milestone in March with students from the Thompson Middle School in Newport and Capt. Voboril who presented students with awards.

Liza Sporcic, a fifth grade teacher from Thompson, was selected to receive the Air Force Association's (AFA) Teacher of the Year Award in recognition of her accomplishments and achievements in exciting K-12 students about science and math (STEM) and preparing them to use and contribute to tomorrow's

technologies.

Air Force Col. Steven Charbonneau, AFA Chapter 180 president at the Naval War College, presented the certificate at a special ceremony held at Thompson. The ceremony was attended by Starbase-Atlantis Director Patrick

Rossoni plus all the Thompson fifth graders.

High school sophomore Lydia Burns, who attended Starbase-Atlantis Newport during the 2005-2006 school year as a fifth grader from Gaudet Middle School, was selected to attend Huntsville Space Camp.

Burns and a fellow student were hand-picked by Rhode Island Teacher of the Year Dana Ramey to attend the world-famous Space Camp in Alabama for a week last July.

The Starbase-Atlantis staff is in New Orleans this month to attend an instructor training conference.

To volunteer with Starbase, call 841-4072.



**Chief Engineman Tony Wright from Surface Warfare Officers School has volunteered numerous hours assisting Starbase-Atlantis students and staff during rocket launches.**



**WELL DONE**  
— Liza Sporcic receives the Air Force Association's Teacher of the Year Award from Col. Steven, AFA Chapter president at the Naval War College.

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**BUC (sel.) Christopher Locke**

**Designator(s):** SCW (Seabee Combat Warfare)

**Command:** USS Constitution  
**Home town:** Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.  
**Full time job:** N/A

**Enlisted in the Navy/years active:** 1994, 17 years active.

**Did you have a previous rate? If so, what?**  
 No.

**Long-range goals:** N/A

**What would you change about the Navy?** Preserve tradition more, while steaming forward.

**How has the Navy benefited you?** It's given me a rewarding career.

**How will becoming a CPO affect you?** I do not know.



**Locke**



# Congratulations to

**CEC (sel.) Peter G. Maxon**

**Designator(s):** SCW/AW  
**Command:** Maritime Expeditionary Security Squadron 8

**Home town:** Plainville, Mass.

**Full time job:** Fleet mechanic for Verizon

**Enlisted in the Navy/years active:** 1979-1985; 2000 to present.

**Did you have a previous rate? if so, what?** AT

**Long-range goals:** Serve and retire with honor.

**What would you change about the Navy?** Any wrongs that I could help make right.

**How has the Navy benefited you?** It has made me a better leader.

**How will becoming a CPO affect you?** I will be better able to help my fellow shipmates.



**Maxon**

**CSC (sel.) Brian S. Pettee**

**Designator(s):** SW  
**Command:** USS Constitution, Charlestown, Mass.

**Home town:** Winthrop, Mass.  
**Full time job:** N/A

**Enlisted in the Navy/years active:** 1999, 12 years active

**Did you have a previous rate? If so, what?** No.

**Long-range goals:** College degree, advancement and Command Master Chief program.

**What would you change about the Navy?** N/A

**How has the Navy benefited you?** It has given me direction and stability for myself and my family.

**How will becoming a CPO affect you?** It gives me a chance to guide junior Sailors.



**Pettee**

**BMC (sel.) Keith MacNeil**

**Designator(s):** None  
**Command:** Maritime Expeditionary Security Squadron 8

**Home town:** Londonderry, N.H.  
**Full time job:** Lineman for Public Services of New Hampshire.

**Enlisted in the Navy/years active:** 1993, 2 years active

**Did you have a previous rate? If so, what?**  
 No.

**Long-range goals:** Finish associate/bachelor's degree

**What would you change about the Navy?** I would change the advancement system.

**How has the Navy benefited you?** It has given me direction and a sense of belonging to something great.

**How will becoming a CPO affect you?** It will be a sense of accomplishment for something I have been working towards for a long time.



**MacNeil**

**MCC (sel.) Frank E. Neely**

**Designator(s):** SW (Surface Warfare)/AW  
**Command:** USS Constitution, Charlestown, Mass.

**Home town:** Houston, Texas

**Full time job:** public affairs officer

**Enlisted in the Navy/years active:** Jan. 22 1998, 13 years active

**Did you have a previous rate? If so, what?** Yes, IT.

**Long-range goals:** My long range goals are to succeed as a chief petty officer and complete my master's degree.

**What would you change about the Navy?** The biggest change I would make is to empower the third and second class petty officers more.

**How has the Navy benefited you?** Maturity and education.

**How will becoming a CPO affect you?** I look forward to finding out.



**Neeley**

**LNC (sel.) Marceline N. Robert**

**Designator(s):** SW/AW/SCW  
**Command:** Naval Operational Support Center Newport, Naval Justice School

**Home town:** Brooklyn, N.Y.  
**Full time job:** Freelance court reporter

**Enlisted in the Navy/years active:** 1994, 14 years active

**Did you have a previous rate? If so, what?** PN.

**Long-range goals:** In the Navy, to eventually advance to be a master chief and to improve training of reserve legalmen; and as a civilian, to become a close caption reporter. Also, to get married and start a family.

**What would you change about the Navy?** The evaluation system. I would like to see a less subjective and more objective system.

**How has the Navy benefited you?** I've grown and matured as a person, I learned a great profession, I earned a degree through Tuition Assistance (TA) and the GI Bill, and I've traveled.

**How will becoming a CPO affect you?** I will be able to help my Sailors a lot better as a chief. I will be held to a higher standard.



**Robert**

**ISC (sel.) Robynne S. Martino**

**Designator(s):** AW (Aviation Warfare)  
**Command:** Office of Naval Intelligence 0397  
**Home town:** South Windsor, Conn.

**Full time job:** Customer service supervisor for Southwest Airlines

**Enlisted in the Navy/years active:** 1987/2000, 4 years active

**Did you have a previous rate? If so, what?** Yes, Aviation Electronics Technician.

**Long-range goals:** Retire from the Navy as at least a senior chief.

**What would you change about the Navy?** Make more civilians aware of how important the role of the Navy is. Have more jobs on base run by military personnel like it used to be.

**How has the Navy benefited you?** It has made me a more responsible person and allowed me to succeed in the civilian world and my personal life.

**How will becoming a CPO affect you?** It will make me better able to help junior Sailors achieve their goals. It will give me many new resources to turn to and a much broader network of people with different specialties.



**Martino**

# CPO-selectees 2011



## EOC (sel.) Byron Taylor

Designator(s): EXW (Expeditionary Warfare Specialist)

Command: Maritime Expeditionary Security Squadron 8

Hometown: Derby, N.Y.

Full time job: UPS employee

Enlisted in the Navy/years active: 18 years, 1 month



Taylor

Did you have a previous rate? If so what? Yes.

Boatswain's mate 3rd class

Long range goals: retirement, stay fit.

What would you change about the Navy? I would change the PT uniform.

How has the Navy benefited you? It helped me become a better man, worker, and better leader.

How will becoming a CPO affect you? It will help me become a better leader.

## GSMC (sel.) Cesar Villatoro-valdes

Designator(s): SW

Command: Surface Warfare Officers School

Home town: Houston, Texas

Full time job: N/A

Enlisted in the Navy/years active: 1996, 15 years active



Villatoro-valdes

Did you have a previous rate? If so, what? No.

Long-range goals: To earn a college degree

What would you change about the Navy? I would like to get manning up a little to help ships get more help.

How has the Navy benefited you? It has made me a more focused individual.

How will becoming a CPO affect you? It will make me a better leader.



## MAC (sel.) Matthew S. Thomas

Designator(s): SS (Submarines)

Command: Naval Station Newport Security

Hometown: Glastonbury, Conn.

Full time job: N/A

Enlisted in the Navy/years active: 1996/15 years active



Thomas

Did you have a previous rate? If so, what? Yes, MT

Long-range goals: Earn my EXW warfare pin

What would you change about the Navy? Somehow improve our electronic support system E.G;BOL, NKO, NSIPS. I would make all of them one system.

How has the Navy benefited you? It's given me life experiences. I've seen incredible places, met and worked with people from all walks of life. It helped me become a better leader

How will becoming a CPO affect you? Hopefully I will be able to mentor and lead more people and I will get to see what goes on inside the "Goat Locker."

## OSC (sel.) Terry V. Wagner

Designator(s): EXW

Command: Maritime Expeditionary Security Squadron 8 security department

Home town: Ashland, Ohio

Full time job: Heat treat department second shift supervisor

Enlisted in the Navy/years active: August 1995, 4 active, 2 years recalled



Wagner

Did you have a previous rate? If so what? No

Long range goals: Train my fellow Sailors and bring them all home safely.

What would you change about the Navy? Uniforms, change some rates to better serve certain units, bring back the PRIMAN program.

How has the Navy benefited you? Made me a better man, husband, made me a better leader.

How will becoming a CPO affect you? More opportunities to help my shipmates better themselves, and become a stronger leader.

## YNC (sel.) Eric R. Wilmoth

Designator(s): SW

Command: Naval War College

Hometown: Belington, W. Va.

Full time job: Special security officer (SSO)

Enlisted in the Navy/years active: May 1991, 17 years



Wilmoth

Did you have a previous rate? If so, what? Yes, hull maintenance technician (HT) and equipment operator (EO)

Long-range goals: Upon returning from Afghanistan I will assume the role of administrative LCPO at the NWC. One goal is to become a proactive member of the CPO Mess and the community. Also, I have started thinking about what it would take for me to be promoted to senior and master chief.

What would you change about the Navy? I would look at ways to get out of the IA/GSA/OSA "business." I've seen first-hand how Sailors have been remissioned by the Army without any Navy knowledge or approval. This has led to a ripple effect that is impacting manning levels throughout the Navy.

How has the Navy benefited you? It has provided me unlimited opportunities to grow as an individual and a person. I have visited places and seen things I would not have seen otherwise.

How will becoming a CPO affect you? I will have to change my leadership style. I will be more of a manager of people and less of a technical expert. It is no longer about me, it is about taking care of Sailors.



Jon Dillworth/MWR photo  
**PARROTHEAD PARODY** — Changes in Latitudes, a Jimmy Buffett tribute band, plays at the Summer Concert Series on the Officers' Club deck last Friday night. From left, are Al Stevens, lead guitar; Brandon Marger, drums; and Amy Sullivan, background vocals. Tonight is Navy Band Northeast's Rhode Island Sound, playing soft and classic rock.

## Naval Station Newport Dining

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**Enlisted Club, Building 656, 841-2575**  
 Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.  
 Friday, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.  
 Saturday, 4 to 11 p.m.  
 Sunday, 1 to 8 p.m.  
 and Holidays, Noon to 6 p.m.

**Seaview Lanes Bowling Center Building 656, 841-4293**  
 Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
 Friday, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.  
 Saturday, 1 to 11 p.m.  
 Sunday, 1 to 8 p.m.  
 and Holidays, noon to 6 p.m.

**America's Cup Café, Building 684, 841-3420**  
 Monday through Friday, 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
 Closed on weekends and federal holidays.

**Clinic Café, Building 43, 841-2140**  
 Monday through Friday, 6:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.  
 Closed on weekends and federal holidays.

**Leisure Bay, Building 1255, 841-2088**  
 Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
 (drive thru window is open 6:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.)  
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# Leisure

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Classes are taught at Gym 109 as early as 6 a.m. and as late as 6:30 p.m., and there

are classes seven days a week. There is no need to pre-register; just show up and get fit. Free for active duty; \$1 for reservists, eligible family members, retired and \$2 for Department of Defense personnel.

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## Free WiFi sites at NAVSTA

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## Bowling

(Building 656, 841-4293)

The Seaview Lanes Bowling Center state-of-the-art facility features regular and Xtreme bowling. The center also serves lunch, Monday through Friday beginning at 11 a.m. Call ahead

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Everyone checks in at Gym 109 first on the day of the race.

Commands should bring a roster to Gym 109 to sign up or email [Christina.savoie@navy.mil](mailto:Christina.savoie@navy.mil). For more information, call 841-3154.

• **Weight Lighting Essentials on Wednesday, Sept. 14 at 5:30 p.m.** Learn safe lifting techniques, proper body alignment and more essentials. For more information, call Pat Mahoney at 841-3154.

• **Intramural Flag Football coaches meeting will be Tuesday, Aug. 23, at 4:30 p.m.** Season begins on Sept. 12 and runs until Nov. 18. Games are played on the NAPS Football Field at 5:30 and 6:30 p.m.

## Liberty Center (Recreation Center Building 656, 841-3054)

Hours of operation are Monday to Thursday, 4 to 8 p.m.; Friday, 4 to 10 p.m.; Saturday, noon to 10 p.m.; Sunday, noon to 8 p.m.; and holidays noon to 6 p.m.

The Liberty Center has eight computers and wireless Internet access, so bring your own laptop and log on anywhere in the building. Check out the bil-

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Aug. 21 — MLB The Show Tournament, prizes, 6 p.m.

Aug. 22 — Ping-Pong Tournament with prizes, 6 p.m.

Aug. 23 — Wii Sports Tournament, prizes, 6 p.m.

Aug. 24 — Billiards Tournament, prizes, 6 p.m.

Aug. 25 — Guitar Hero Tournament, with prizes, 6 p.m.

Aug. 26 — Texas Hold'em Tournament, prizes, 6 p.m.

Aug. 27 — Paintball Trip, sign up at Liberty!

Aug. 28 — MLB The Show Tournament, prizes, 6 p.m.

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Aug. 30 — Wii Sports Tournament, prizes, 6 p.m.

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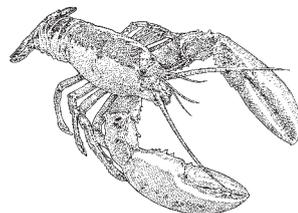
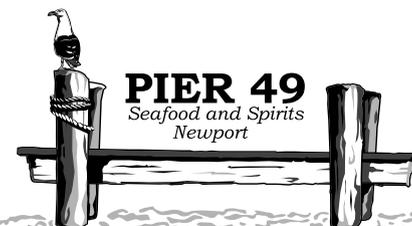
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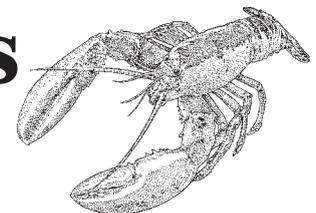
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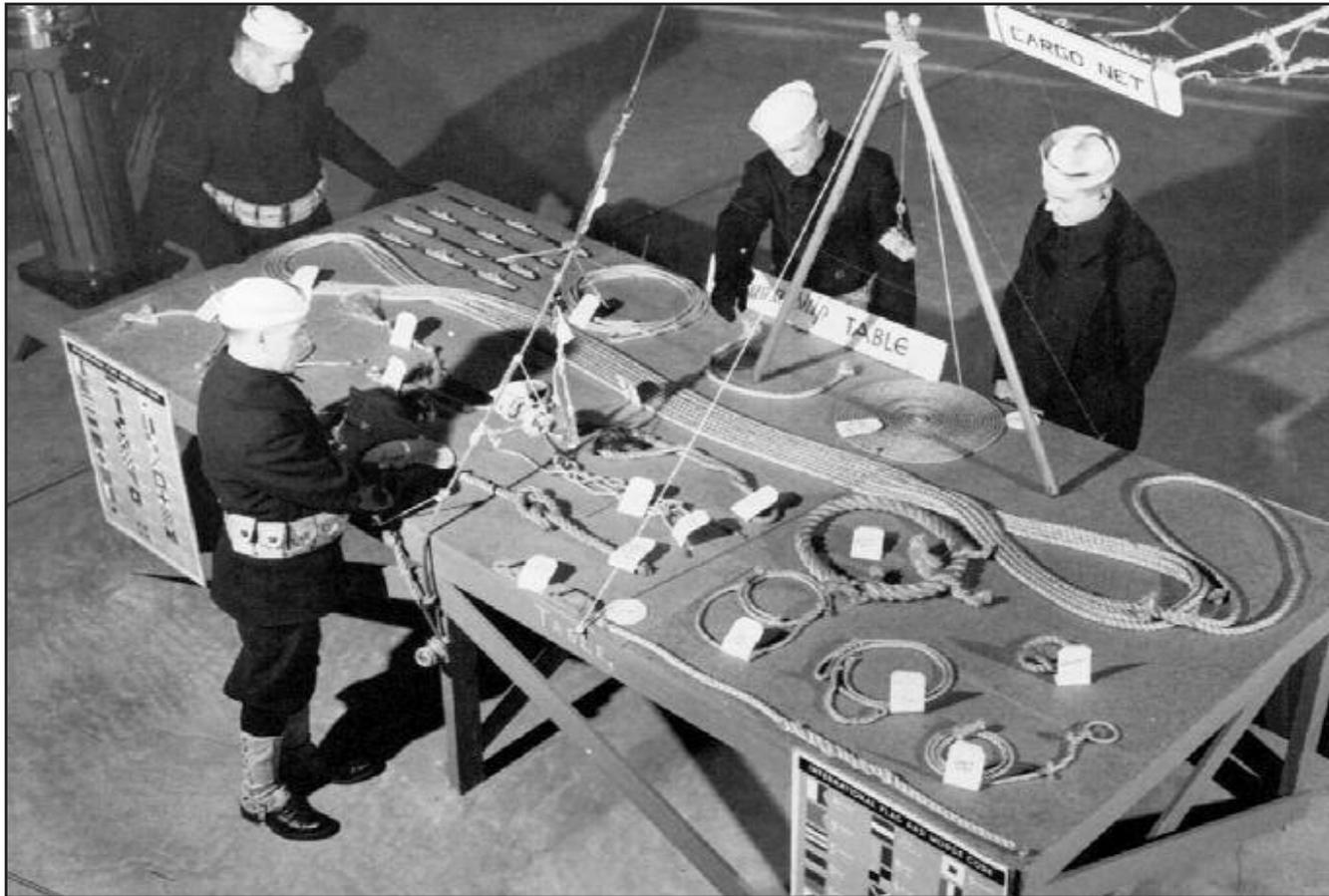
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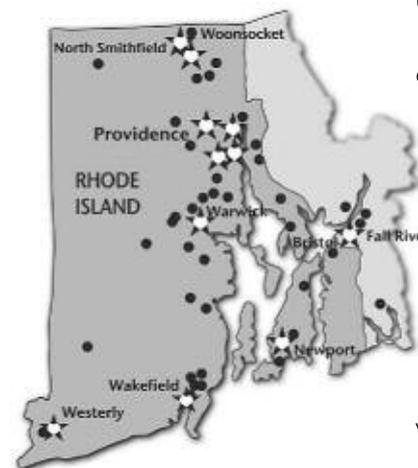
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## Hiring

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- Applicants should keep their CHART/Resumix account/password and resume active until the DON completes the transition to USAJOBS. Watch the CHART website for the date that DON completes the transition.

- As activities transition to USAJOBS, there will be very few Open Continuous announcements. Most vacancies will be posted as individual announcements. Applicants should make sure they have set up a USAJobs account for notification when vacancies in their area of interest are posted. All Open and Continuous announcements will be closed effective Oct. 1.

As the transition from Resumix to USA Staffing evolves, the first source of guidance should be the many tutorials and training aides found on the OCHR portal <http://www.public.navy.mil/donhr/Employment/hiringreform/Pages/ApplicantToolkit.aspx>

## Class of 2012

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Adm. John N. Christenson emphasized two things students will be able to take advantage of during their academic pursuits.

"You will be given two great gifts while you're here," he said. "Those are a library of great books and the time to read them."

The arrival of NWC's newest students marks a nearly 127-year tradition of educating military and government officials in Newport. The college's academic mission is to develop strategic and operational leaders and also to strengthen maritime security cooperation.

In fact, only about half of NWC's newest students are naval

officers. The other half of the student body comes from the Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and Army, in addition to more than 90 students from 50 international navies and government agencies.

"Everything is first class here, it's outstanding," Army Maj. Christopher Almaguer said after the ceremony. "The convocation speakers were motivational. I was excited to be here before the ceremony, but I'm even more excited to be here now."

Lt. Cmdr. Christine Cawayan said the academic nature of NWC will let her reflect on her time in Afghanistan from a different perspective.

## Vets

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the veteran. After the interviewer and veteran are acquainted, the veteran answers questions for a 30-minute video recording.

The video interviews, along with any original pictures, letters, and/or memorabilia the veteran wishes to donate, are then sent to the Library of Congress. The interview materials are kept on file as a sort of museum of American war stories.

By taking part in the project, volunteers are contributing to the permanent collections of the Library of Congress, one of the world's most respected research and cultural institutions.

Other band members volunteering with VHP include Musicians 2nd Class David Harbuziuk and Stephanie Elcewicz. They began conducting interviews at a local senior assisted living facility.

The musicians donated a total of 20 man hours interviewing four veterans, and preparing the edited video and documents for shipping to the Library of Congress. The band's volunteer project is an example of a command-sponsored community service flagship project, Project Good Neighbor, that is being conducted by a group of Sailors.

"I learned about the Veterans History Project through my moth-

er-in-law who is the facility's event coordinator," Snitzer said. I knew the veterans would respond well to telling their stories to young military members, she said.

Harbuziuk said it is important to hear the stories from those who paved the way. "I wanted to get involved with this project because our veterans have played a major role in the shaping of our country and in making it great," he said.

"I was very fortunate to conduct an interview of my grandfather while I was home on leave this past June," said Elcewicz. She collected unique stories of his experience in the Asia-Pacific Campaign of World War II.

Her grandfather, Cpl. George F. McKinney, was drafted into the Army on May 18, 1943. "I hope his experience and those of other veterans live on long after they are gone," she said.

"This project has been very rewarding. I have met amazing men and women with incredible life experiences," she said.

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From DON Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office

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The confidential and anonymous survey, which will end Sept. 30, is part of a Secretary of the Navy-directed tasking for DON SAPRO to assess the functionality and effectiveness of the SAPR program, as well as to determine the scope of sexual assaults within the Department of the Navy.

Participation in the survey is voluntary and can be found at [www.donsapro-navy.mil/survey.html](http://www.donsapro-navy.mil/survey.html).

"The Secretary [of the Navy] and I are committed to preventing sexual assaults in our Navy and Marine Corps," said Jill Loftus, director, DON SAPRO. "This means reducing their frequency, if not eliminating them entirely."

The anonymous, voluntary, online survey is the best tool for tracking where the Department stands, and will establish a baseline for comparison to move forward.

Prior studies show that one percent of Navy women are raped each year, and another three to four percent experience some form of sexual assault. Junior female Sailors are most at risk, however male Sailors are also victims of sexual assault. Their percentage risks are lower.

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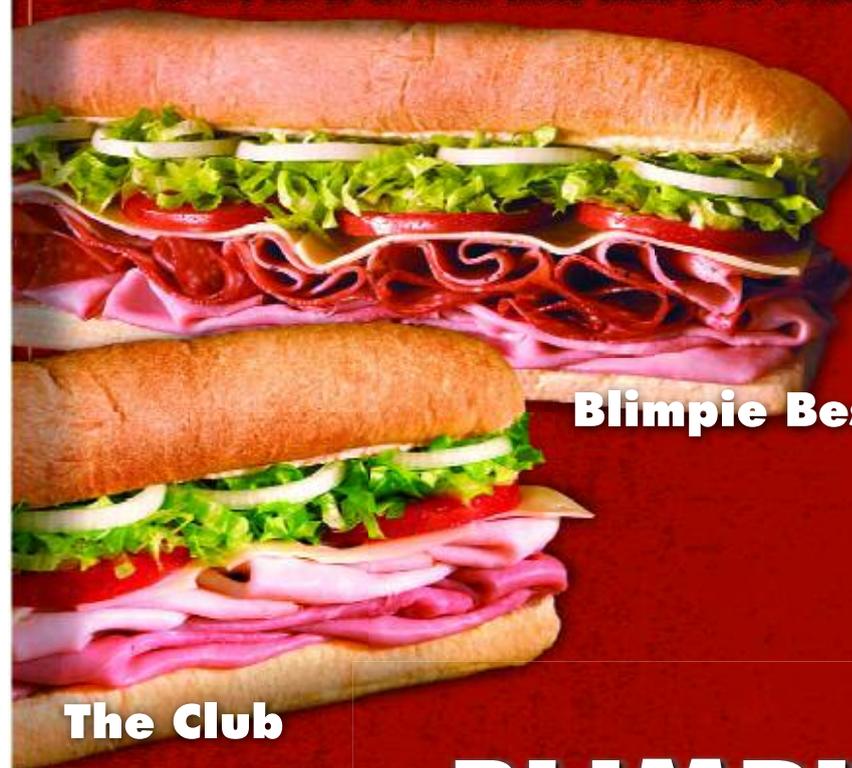
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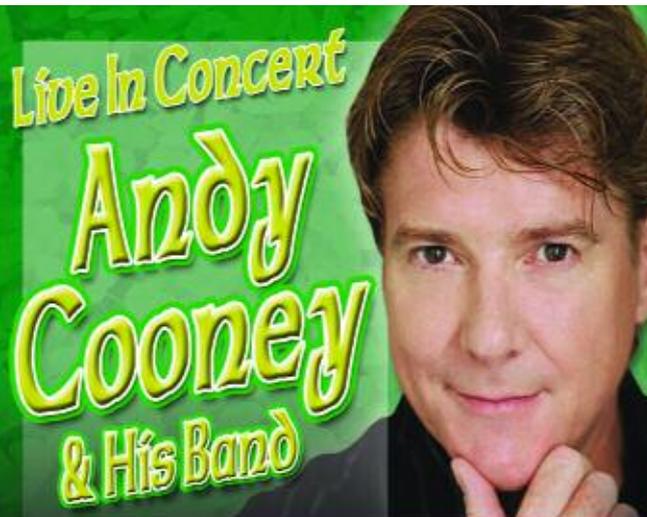
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