

CSADD hosts drug awareness forum

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MANAMA, Bahrain — Members of Naval Support Activity (NSA) Bahrain's Coalition of Service Members Against Destructive Decisions (CSADD) organization hosted a drug awareness forum at NSA, Aug. 25.

The forum offered those in attendance an opportunity to receive information about the dangers of drug abuse and well as share personal experiences relating to the impact of drug abuse.

CSADD Advocate, Master-at-Arms 2nd Class Jessie Ramirez, said the forum was part of a larger new age drug awareness topic promoted throughout the month.

"CSADD has different monthly topics and hosts various events to promote the topic," Ramirez said. "This month's topic is extremely important because drugs can drastically affect not

only the lives of the user, but those around them."

Ramirez added that CSADD hosted Red Ribbon week earlier this month to kick off the topic and promote the effects of drug use by handing out ribbons to the NSA community.

Master-at-Arms 3rd Class Gabriel Alvarez, assigned to Naval Security Forces Bahrain, attended the forum and said it was very useful because it brings known information back to the attendees' center of focus.

"It helps keep the information fresh in your mind all the time," Alvarez said. "That repetition is important because it keeps people from harm."

CSADD's mission is to provide military members from all branches of service prevention and intervention tools that assist them in making positive life decisions while maintaining healthy lifestyles as well as good order and discipline in keeping with military core values.



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Master-at-Arms Seaman Paloma Bazile, a member of NSA Bahrain's Coalition of Service Members Against Destructive Decisions (CSADD), speaks the audience members about the dangers of drug abuse during CSADD's drug awareness forum at NSA, Aug. 25.

Expeditionary Strike Group Five holds Change of Command Ceremony



Photo by MC2 Lewis Hunsaker

Rear Adm. Peter Fanta, left, relieves Rear Adm. Margaret Klein as commander, Expeditionary Strike Group (ESG) 5 as Vice Adm. Mark Fox, commander, U.S. Naval Forces Central Command, observes, during the change of command ceremony, Aug. 24. ESG 5 commands amphibious forces deployed to the U.S. 5th Fleet area of responsibility. The forces are tasked with crisis response missions, humanitarian aid and disaster relief operations, maritime security operations and theater security cooperation efforts.

From Expeditionary Strike Group 5 Public Affairs

MANAMA, Bahrain — Expeditionary Strike Group (ESG) 5 held a change of command ceremony onboard Naval Support Activity Bahrain, Aug. 24.

Rear Adm. Peter Fanta relieved Rear Adm. Margaret Deluca Klein as commander, ESG 5.

Klein took command of ESG 5, Nov. 14, 2010. As commander of ESG 5, Klein commanded U.S. Task Forces 51 and 59, overseeing a wide range of missions including maritime security operations and crisis response.

Guest speaker, Vice Adm. Mark Fox, commander, U.S. Naval Forces Central Command (NAVCENT)/5th Fleet/Combined Maritime Forces praised Klein for her leadership, hard work, and ability to execute every mission.

"Fast, forward and flexible, those words have meaning," said Fox. "ESG 5 does it right and I appreciate the tremendous dedication and focus the staff has given Admiral Klein in a really tumultuous, difficult and challenging time."

Klein spoke to the group about what it meant to lead the amphibious forces serving in the U.S. 5th Fleet.

"It was an honor to lead the three amphibious ready groups (ARG) and Marine Expeditionary Units (MEU) who deployed to this theater during my time as commander. They are the backbone of the

expeditionary strike group," said Klein. "I am very thankful for the privilege of leading such an outstanding group of Sailors and Marines"

In her role as commander, Task Force 51, Klein also expressed appreciation to her fellow task force commanders.

"We have participated in exercises with each one of you," said Klein. "We were better able to execute our mission because of you."

Klein offered best wishes to Fanta in assuming command of the strike group.

"You will have a great year, and will not lack for excitement," said Klein.

Klein will report to U.S. Cyber Command, Ft. Meade, Md. where she will serve as chief of staff.

Fanta thanked Klein for her hospitality and graciousness during the transition of command.

"This staff has been extraordinarily professional and gracious, and both those characteristics are exactly Admiral Peg Klein," said Fanta. "Thank you to all of you and I look forward to serving with you."

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Family Life at NSA Bahrain

MCT brings performance art to NSA Bahrain

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MANAMA, Bahrain — Naval Support Activity (NSA) Bahrain's Child and Youth Programs (CYP) hosted a performance of "The Pied Piper" at Bahrain School, Aug. 26.

The Missoula Children's Theatre (MCT), based out of Missoula, Mont., held a week-long theater camp for children from the NSA Bahrain community.

CYP Youth Activities Director Amanda Thornton said the Navy has a contract with MCT to travel to bases all over the world.

"The children audition the first day, practice for four days and at the end of the week, perform for their friends and family," she said.

Rob Yoho and Alea Figueroa led 38 children in the production while teaching

them performance and life skills.

"While we're teaching the kids acting and basic stage craft, the lessons they're going to take out of this experience into other parts of their lives are confidence building, teamwork and how to get along with others," Yoho said.

Yoho and Figueroa have been working with MCT for a year and a half and tour around the globe bringing the arts to military bases and small communities, some with no theater program. MCT has 40 plays of classic children's stories in rotation that have been adapted for casts of up to 60 children.

"It's a different challenge each week," Figueroa said. "We never know how many kids are going to audition."

Addie Ervin played the Pied Piper and was also an assistant director for the production.



Photo by MC1(SW) Sonja M. Chambers

Rob Yoho (middle) from Missoula Children's Theatre practices with children during a dress rehearsal, Aug. 25. The program showcased 38 children from the NSA Bahrain community.



Photo by MC1(SW) Sonja M. Chambers

Addie Ervin puts makeup on Shawna Norbury in preparation for the performance of "The Pied Piper" at Bahrain School, Aug. 26. Naval Support Activity (NSA) Bahrain's Child And Youth Programs hosted the Missoula Children's Theatre for a week-long program.

"As we went on through the practices, everyone got better and better," she said. "Everybody did an amazing job and I really enjoyed the experience."

Yoho and Figueroa said they really enjoyed working with the children at NSA Bahrain.

"That's something that both we personally and our company take great pride in is the ability to work with the children of serv-

ing men and women," Yoho said. "They are giving so much to us and our country and we can give something back to them."

Thornton said she was impressed with the children's performance and said the program was a great benefit.

"This is the Navy's money very well spent because a lot of our schools are taking out the arts, so this was really a great opportunity for NSA Bahrain."

Bahrain School showcases new curriculum



Photo by MC1(SW) Sonja M. Chambers

Instructional Systems Specialist, Dr. Noni Hoag (middle), from the Department of Defense Education Activity Mediterranean District, shows parents some features of the new language arts curriculum at Bahrain School, Aug. 29. The new curriculum brings more technology to the classroom and provides students and teachers instant feedback from quizzes and assessments. "It provides us an opportunity to give students work that can be done somewhere other than the classroom if needed," Hoag said.

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Chaplain's Corner

Love Our Neighbor and Our Enemy



By Cmdr. Chin Van Dang
Supervisory Chaplain

We don't like everyone we meet and many people don't like us. It's the way of the world. But, as God's people, we are called to a higher code of conduct. While we have hurt or broken relationships, how we treat them speaks volumes about our faith and our character. If we cannot give these people friendship, at least we can pray for them. If we must keep our distance for our own mental health, at least we can hope for a change of heart.

G. K. Chesterton says, "We are commanded to love our neighbors and our enemies; they are generally the same people. This is very true for all of us. It is very easy for us to love (in a theoretical way) all Japanese, Chinese, Russians and most Europeans—they never come in contact with us and never tread on our corns. But it is our neighbors, those among whom we live and work, who are liable to injure us and thus become our enemies." Thus charity begins at home.

A husband asks his bride, "Now that we're married, I hope you don't mind if I point out some of your imperfections?"

"Not at all," she replies. "It's because of these imperfections that I married you."

Husband and wife must learn to understand and tolerate each other's imperfections and faults. If one offends in what the other would regard as something serious, the offended one should not demand an apology but should show forgiveness before the other has to humbly apologize.

No two people in the world, not even identical twins, can agree on all things, so it is vain and unrealistic to expect even one's married partner to agree with one in all points. If there is peace and harmony between husband and wife, as there will be if both are truly charitable, the children will learn too to be understanding and forgiving. Such a home will be a truly happy home even if it has little of the world's riches.

Our charity must spread from the home to our neighbors—to all those with whom we have contact. It is easy to get on with most people, but in every neighborhood and in every village or town there will always be those who are difficult. There will be the dishonest, the tale-bearers, the quarrelsome, the critic of everyone and everything.

It is when we have dealings with such people that our God's gift of charity is called for. Most likely we will never be able to change their ways of acting, but charity will enable us to tolerate their faults and will move us to pray for their eternal welfare.

On remembering the 9/11 Tenth Anniversary, we pause to pray for our enemies and for ourselves to be free from hatred, division and violence and hope for solidarity, justice and peace.

NSF Section Volunteers at RIA



Courtesy Photo

Members of Naval Support Activity Bahrain Naval Security Forces Section Blue 2 volunteered at the Regional Institute for Active Learning (RIA), Aug. 29. The 13 volunteers spent more than two hours prepping and painting the school walls. RIA manager, Christine Gordon, said she was grateful to have the work completed and looks forward to working with the crew again.



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From the Desk of the Command Master Chief



By CMDCM Ed Lambert
NSA Bahrain Command Master Chief

Shipmates,

"Quarters, All Hands to Quarters for Muster, Instruction and Inspection." This daily announcement aboard ships is at the root of our heritage as well as a pillar of deckplate leadership. Holding quarters simply means taking the time to commu-

nicate face to face in a daily meeting to ensure all Sailors are where they are supposed to be, to conduct routine inspections, to recognize good performance, to impart information on the day's events and other information relevant to the Sailors under your charge.

Muster ensures all Sailors are accounted for from the previous day. Inspections ensure Sailors are in squared-away uniforms and personal hygiene is up to standards — to include haircuts and shaves if applicable. It also ensures Sailors are ready to perform the day's duties and tasks. Instruction provides our Sailors with the knowledge to be informed and educated on all matters. This also breeds trust and respect. And, as the old cliché says, a Sailor who knows what's going on is a better Sailor.

If it's true that we fight the way we train, the same can be true to say we'll lead like we've been lead. The Chief's and LPO's presence at quarters is something that will be duplicated as Sailors move up in rank.



NSA Celebrates Labor Day

Photo by MC1(SW) Sonja M. Chambers

Service members and their families enjoy the barbecue dinner at the Naval Support Activity (NSA) Bahrain Labor Day Celebration, Sept. 4. The Morale, Welfare and Recreation-sponsored event featured live music, a craft fair, a motorcycle and car show and activities for children.



Photo by MC1 Lynn Friant

A live band entertains MWR patrons.



Photo by MC1(SW) Sonja M. Chambers

People check out the cars during the first car and motorcycle show on board NSA Bahrain.



Photo by MC1 Brian Biller

Navy Ball Committee member, Chief Master-at-Arms James Jones laughs after getting a pie in the face from Logistics Specialist 2nd Class Erica Ward.



Photo by MC1(SW) Sonja M. Chambers

Activities for children included face painting, bouncy houses and sandy candy making.

NSF Sailor recognized for volunteer service

By MC2(AW) Jason T. Poplin
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MANAMA, Bahrain — A service member attached to Naval Security Forces (NSF) Bahrain was recognized recently for his outstanding contributions to the United Service Organizations (USO).

Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class David Lavko, assigned to NSF Harbor Patrol Unit, was announced as the 2011 Pacific Regional Volunteer of the Year winner for his performance during his tenure on board Commander Task Force 70 at Yokosuka Naval Base in Japan.

The USO is a private, nonprofit organization that provides morale, entertainment and recreational services to service members and their families. They operate more than 140 program centers around the world.

As a volunteer, Lavko assisted USO staff members execute multiple special events including furniture bazaars, a visit from the Muppet Road Show and a hot dog eating contest attended by hot dog eating champion Takeru Kobayashi.

Though his main responsibilities included opening the USO facilities, maintaining cleanliness, assisting patrons with movie selections and the utilization of computer services, Lavko's award citation states his defining moments occurred during Japan's multiple disasters earlier this year.

"After the USO briefly closed due to the

disasters, David was eager and anxious to get the center up and running again in order to bring a sense of normalcy back to Yokosuka."

As USO staff members were evacuated from the country and the majority of regular volunteers were sortied with their ships or assisted in recovery efforts elsewhere, Lavko "had a profound effect on the center's readiness and operations" while fulfilling duties as the facility's sole volunteer.

Hailing from Glen Ellyn Ill., Lavko began devoting his time to others six years ago while stationed on board USS Boxer (LHD 4). As Boxer visited several ports of call throughout the Asian-Pacific theater, Lavko routinely worked on community relations projects designed to foster and strengthen relationships between host nations and the U.S.

"Volunteering is a continuation of the oath I made when joining the military," Lavko said. "I pledged to support and defend, but also to serve my country and fellow man. I believe offering my time to assist others helps me fulfill that promise."

Lavko's reception of this year's regional award is not the first time his efforts have been praised. In 2009 and 2010, Lavko attended an awards banquet hosted by the USO to recognize exceptional volunteerism and was presented with multiple certificates of appreciation.



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Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class David Lavko, assigned to Naval Support Activity Bahrain Naval Security Forces Harbor Patrol Unit, volunteers at the Labor Day Celebration, Sept. 4. Lavko was announced as the 2011 Pacific Regional Volunteer of the Year winner for his performance during his tenure on board Commander Task Force 70 at Yokosuka Naval Base in Japan.

MWR opens new facility



Photo by MC1(SW) Sonja M. Chambers

Capt. Donald Hodge (left), Information Systems Technician 1st Class Carl A. White (middle) and Lt. Scott Zenner cut the ribbon on a new Morale, Welfare and Recreation fitness center in Bahrain, Sept. 1. The new facility was professionally designed by fitness instructors to best benefit service members.

Chief Selects participate in community service



Photo by MC3 Martin Carey

Chief (select) Information Systems Technician Melissa Rivera paints the interior of the Regional Institute for Active Learning (RIA) as part of a community relations project, Sept. 3.

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Sailors Participate in International Tournament



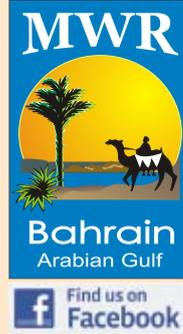
Photo by ENS Kow Ghartey

U.S. Naval Reserve Sailors from Combined Task Group (CTG) 56.7 participated in the Maktoum Championships (MKC) Ramadan Competitions Basketball Tournament in Fujairah, United Arab Emirates, Aug. 19. The MKC is an annual multi-sport competition founded by His Highness Sheikh Maktoum Bin Hamad Al Sharqi with a goal to spread the awareness of sports and the lessons of sportsmanship in the United Arab Emirates. CTG 56.7 has supported these games in recent years by fielding several sports teams. This year's basketball team, supported by Morale, Welfare and Recreation, finished the tournament with two wins and two losses.



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- Max 8 people; Group Cost: \$352

Go-Kart Racing

Saturday, September 10 & 29

- Time: 1600
- Min 6 people; ITT Price: \$27.00

Guided Cultural Tour Of Bahrain

Sunday, September 11, 18 & 25

- Time: 0900 – 1600
- Min 14 people; ITT Price: \$35.00

Cooking Demonstration Of Arabic Food & Dinner

Thursday, September 15

- Time: 1645
- Min 5 people; ITT Price: \$23.00

Al Dar Island Day Trip

Friday, September 16

- Time: 0930 – 1400
- Min 5 people; ITT Price: \$23.00

****Please arrive 15 minutes prior****

All dates and times are subject to change

Movie Schedule

Friday, September 9

Theater A

- 10 a.m. - Prom (PG)
- 12 p.m. - Kung Fu Panda 2 (PG)
- 2 p.m. - Priest (PG-13)
- 4 p.m. - Lean On Me (PG-13)
- 7 p.m. - Friends With Benefits (R)
- 9 p.m. - Kill Bill: Vol. 2 (R)

Theater B

- 11 a.m. - Rio (G)
- 1 p.m. - Soul Surfer (PG)
- 3 p.m. - Rise Of The Planet Of The Apes (PG-13)
- 5 p.m. - Kung Fu Panda 2 (PG)
- 7 p.m. - Limitless (PG-13)
- 9 p.m. - Navy Seals (R)

Saturday, September 10

Theater A

- 10 a.m. - Rango (PG)
- 12 p.m. - Soul Surfer (PG)
- 3 p.m. - Thor (PG-13)
- 5 p.m. - Hanna (PG-13)
- 7 p.m. - Your Highness (R)
- 9 p.m. - X-Men: First Class (PG-13)

Theater B

- 11 a.m. - Gnomeo And Juliet (G)
- 1 p.m. - Justin Bieber: Never Say Never (G)
- 3 p.m. - Adjustment Bureau (PG-13)
- 5 p.m. - Another Earth (PG-13)
- 7 p.m. - Paul (R)
- 9 p.m. - Bridesmaid (R)

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Thursday, September 8

NFL Season Begins

- Time: 1200
- NFL Trivia

Wednesday, September 14

Last Buck Party

- Time: 1200
- Free Pizza while supplies last

Friday, September 9

\$3 Mall Shuttle: Seef Mall

- Time: 1200 - 1600

Thursday, September 15

Miniature Golf

- Time: 1200 -1500
- Adhari Amusement Park

Saturday, September 10

Show a Dog Some Love!

- Time: 0900
- Visit Animal Shelter

Friday, September 16

\$3 Mall Shuttle: City Center Mall

- Time: 1200 - 1600

Sunday, September 11

Sunday Sundaes

- Make your own ice cream sundaes!
- Free While Supplies Last

Saturday, September 17

Lost Paradise Water Park

- Time: 1000 – 1530
- E4 & Below: \$28; Others: \$ 32

Monday, September 12

Speed Pool

- Time: 1200

Monday, September 18

National Cheeseburger Day

- Time: 1600
- Liberty BBQ

Tuesday, September 13

Happy Birthday September Babies!

- Free Cake while supplies last!

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