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Community and Base partner for a greener tomorrow, first ever Earth Day Fair to be held April 22

Highlights will include:

- Booths with information on resource conservation and alternative energies.
- An archeology exhibit with local experts, a dig box, Atlatl demonstrations and a display of native artifacts.
- A portable climbing wall.
- Information on what is being done to create a 'greener' Navy.

Learn more by reading the full article on Page 7.

Vice Admiral tours NAWS China Lake



Peggy Shoaf

NAWS Commanding Officer Capt. Jeffrey Dodson and Command Master Chief Robert Corkish greet Commander, Navy Installations Command Vice Adm. Michael. Departing the plane at Armitage Airfield is Commander, Navy Region Southwest Rear Admiral William French.

By Peggy Shoaf

Public Affairs Site Manager

Vice Adm. Michael C. Vitale, Commander, Navy Installations Command, and Rear Adm. William D. French, Commander, Navy Region Southwest; along with Force Master Chief Christopher Engles, CNIC, and Command Master Chief Nancy Hollingsworth, NRSW, visited NAWS China Lake Thursday, April 14.

Arriving Thursday morning, the dignitaries were officially greeted at Armitage Field by NAWS Commanding Officer Capt. Jeffrey A. Dodson.

After spending time talking to the Sailors at the terminal, the official party was transported to Admiral, Page 11

U.S. Navy christens ship named after Dr. Bill McLean

By Desiree Jones

NAWCWD PAO

On Saturday, April 16, Margaret Taylor christened the U.S. Navy's newest ship named for her late uncle, Dr. William B. McLean.

When the countdown-to-launch clock hit 00:00, Taylor announced, "I christen thee, USNS William McLean." A two-tier audience — 1,000 people on the shipyard floor and 500 seated three staircases up — cheered as the ceremonial champagne bottle cracked against the ship's bow.

The Grand Pacific Band played the U.S. Marine Corps hymn while red, white and blue streamers shot up and over the ship's rail as McLean rolled off its ramp and rushed the San Diego Bay.

Audience arms reached out with cell phone cameras to capture the ship's departure while fireworks sprayed color into the night sky to the sound of "Anchors Aweigh" and "I'm a Yankee Doodle Dandy."

The christening capped a two-day celebration honoring the ship's namesake, Dr. William B. McLean, the U.S. Navy physicist who conceived and developed the Sidewinder missile. More than 40 members of the McLean family from around the country attended in his honor.

Son Don McLean, said, "I'm especially happy that this amazing event brought my family and extended family together for the first time in 50 years."

Festivities started Friday when



NASSCO

Ship sponsor, Margaret Taylor, cracks the ceremonial bottle against the U.S. Navy's newest supply ship, USNS William McLean. Standing with her is ship matron of honor, Rosemary McLean; matron of honor, Virginia Rembold; and General Dynamics NASSCO President, Fred Harris.

the McLean family was given a private tour of the ship. Don said they participated in an ancient shipbuilding tradition called Stepping the Mast, where, for good luck's sake, meaningful items are placed in a box and welded into the new ship's mast. In ancient times, only coins were used

in the ceremony.

Don contributed two coins from McLean's sister ship, the USNS Sacagawea, and a coin which was made to honor his father. On one side of that coin is an image of Dr. McLean, and on the other is a likeness of the William B. McLean

Laboratory. He also put into the mast box a handwritten note to his dad, explaining why this ship is worthy of his father's name.

Friday night, NASSCO, the ship's builder, hosted a dinner in

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Commentary

SECNAV Speaks at 2011 Sea-Air-Space Exposition

NATIONAL HARBOR, Md. (NNS) -- The secretary of the Navy (SECNAV) served as the keynote speaker during the opening day of the 2011 Navy League Sea-Air-Space Exposition in National Harbor, Md., April 11.

Mabus spoke about the various operations that the Navy and Marine Corps are involved in, as well as the accomplishments of the last two years.

"The Navy and Marine Corps remain the most formidable fighting force the world has ever known," said Mabus. "Today's headlines underscore the fact that we have a global force engaged in a vast and diverse array of responsibilities. Our forces are engaged today in operations ranging from major combat in Afghanistan, to enforcement of the no-fly zone over Libya, to relief operations in Japan in the wake of the March 11th Sendai earthquake and subsequent tsunami.

"These are in addition to a myriad of other missions over the past two years including disaster relief in the Philippines, Indonesia, Haiti, and Pakistan; partnership stations in Africa, South America, and the South Pacific; and counter-piracy patrols off the coast of

Somalia," said Mabus.

SECNAV said he would not hesitate to recommend or cancel programs which are deemed too expensive, ineffective or unneeded such as the Expeditionary Fighting Vehicle (EFV).

"The Expeditionary Fighting Vehicle's construction would have taken all of the Marine Corps' ground procurement account and 90 percent of its vehicular operations and maintenance account for about two percent of the Corps' vehicles," said Mabus. "This program is an example of something simply taking too long. The EFV started in 1988, and is the only example I know of that required a life extension program for the test vehicles."

Mabus said the effort to make progress toward energy efficiency will go on.

"We are on track to meet every one of our energy goals, and to meet the President's challenge issued two weeks ago to work with private industry and the Departments of Energy and Agriculture to create a domestic advanced biofuel market," said Mabus. "We will continue to invest in energy improvements, including smart grid technology and advanced batteries that can store renewable energy, and we will, through these efforts, make the Navy and Marine Corps better warfighters and better able to

defend our country."

Mabus also presented the Adm. Vern Clark and Gen James L. Jones Safety awards, which are presented annually to Navy and Marine Corps personnel and units that exemplify and advance a culture of safety.

"I want to again congratulate the winners of the safety awards," said Mabus. "What these Sailors and Marines have done demonstrates the incredible professionalism of our force. They earned their awards for doing things right, particularly in difficult situations."

SECNAV Ray Mabus expressed his gratitude toward the Navy League and its president, Daniel B. Branch, Jr., for their efforts concerning sea power.

"In the almost two years since I have been in office, I've had the opportunity to talk to a number of Navy League organizations, and I've seen up close the dedication of every single member of the league to our Marines' and Sailors' welfare," said Mabus. "Through publications like Sea Power magazine and forums like this, the Navy League helps to keep in the forefront the role of the sea services and the importance of sea power to our country."

The exposition, now in its 46th year, runs through April 13, and

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Military

New at Nex

NEX customers who are looking to save a few more cents when they shop can bring in reusable bags for their purchases. NEXs give a five cent credit for each eco-friendly reusable bag used to bag a customer's purchase. Customers may either bring their reusable bag into the store or purchase a reusable bag from the NEX.

"This program is a great way to help reduce the amount of disposable plastic bags used at the NEX," said Richard Dow, Navy Exchange Service Command (NEXCOM) Senior Vice President, store operations. "I encourage our customers to use reusable bags for their purchases. "Not only will using reusable bags save money it also benefits the environment by keeping disposable plastic bags from entering the waste stream."

The five cent credit program applies to all NEX retail and direct run service facilities where bags are normally provided. It does not apply to contract operations such as food vendors and mall kiosks that are operated within NEXs. The program also does not apply to disposable plastic bags that are being reused.

NEXs worldwide have a new plastic bag it will begin using for customer purchases. The new plastic bag is made with at least 35 percent recycled material. Unlike the previous NEX plastic bags which were white, the new recycled bags have a grey body color based upon the high level of recycled material used in its production.

"The new plastic bags are made by Hilex and is made in the U.S.A. with at least 35 percent recycled material," said Mike Powers, Navy Exchange Service Command's (NEXCOM) Retail Director. "So, if customers choose to use plastic bags rather than recyclable bags, they can feel comfortable knowing they are still helping the environment."

During the NEX semi-annual Sight and Sound sale May 11 - 22, customers can take advantage of a special program with the MILITARY STAR® Card. Customers who purchase an individual computer, TV or home theater system priced at \$699 or

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Sailors from VX-9 receive awards at ceremony



MC2 Orrin Batiste

Sailors from Air Test and Evaluation Squadron nine, received awards during a squadron Quarters and Awards ceremony at NAWS China Lake's base Chapel, April 4. The awards were presented by Capt. Don E. Berry. From left to right: Berry, AM2 Shannon E. Hamilton, (Navy Achievement Medal), ADAN Ryan B. Gonzales, (Flag Letter of Commendation), PR1(AW) Robert J. Dolan, (Navy Achievement Medal), PR2(AW) Dustin J. Boyd, (Navy Achievement Medal).

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VX-31 receives two MH-60S "Knighthawk" Helicopters



Mike McGinnis

Air Test and Evaluation squadron VX-31 received two MH-60S "Knighthawk" helicopters from HSC-85 in San Diego to replace its SH-60F "Seahawk" helicopters that are currently employed to conduct day and night Search and Rescue in the R2508 complex. The Dust Devils will be phasing out three SH-60F helicopters beginning in June 2011 the transition is expected to be complete by August.

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features more than 150 exhibits highlighting the latest advancements in sea power technology and includes professional seminars with many top civilian and military

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The Navy League of the United States was founded in 1902 and is a civilian organization with more

than 50,000 members dedicated to educating Americans and elected officials about the importance of sea power to U.S. national security and supporting the men and women of the sea services and their families.

ABF1 Johnny Stewart re-enlists



Michael Roach

ABF1 Johnny Stewart being sworn in for his re-enlistment on Tuesday April 12 by Supply Officer Lt. Bogdan Lozynskyy.

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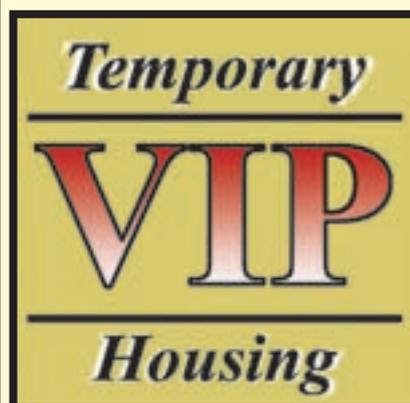
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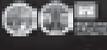
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China Lake to host Earth Day Fair

By Peggy Shoaf

Public Affairs Site Manager

NAVAL AIR WEAPONS STATION CHINA LAKE, Calif. – The Station and various local organizations are living this year's Earth Day theme, "Partnering for a Greener Tomorrow," as they co-host the communities' first Earth Day Fair Friday, April 22, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the front lawn of the Headquarters Building (corner of Blandy and Knox).

The Indian Wells Valley Water District, PG&E and Southern California Edison will all have booths showing the many ways people can conserve at work and at home – conservation that can result in additional funds for other fun activities. The workforce and the public are invited to join in the festivities and pick up lots of freebies to help in their conservation efforts.

Members of the Station's

Utility Energy Management Group will have their Solar Trailer on display, information about China Lake's photovoltaic history and future plans, as well as additional alternative energy initiatives. The group will also incorporate a display showing the history of the Navy's water conservation efforts and future plans to further reduce water consumption.

Archeologists will be on hand to highlight some of the cultural resources located on Station, plus provide an interactive dig box that will simulate an excavation. History buffs will enjoy watching the Atal-Atal (Aztec word, slur the "T" to pronounce correctly) demonstrations. This weapon was used years ago by Native Americans before the bow and arrow. Many have seen the Atal-Atal depicted on petroglyphs in Little Petroglyph Canyon. There will also be a few other artifacts on display. If anyone wants to grind some seeds, there will be

a Metate and Mono (stones used to grind seeds) present for you to use.

The Environmental Department will be exchanging a cloth bag for every five plastic bags redeemed, and handing out booklets for children and stickers for adults. The latest Navy's Environmental Posters will also be available for pick up.

The Navy Geothermal Program Office will have displays and handouts highlighting the geothermal process, along with exploration efforts actively pursued on Department of Defense lands.

Employees of the Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division will also have information on hand about the work they are doing to help create a greener Navy, specifically about the work they are doing on bio-fuel. An Ethanol-powered vehicle will also be on display.

Kids will enjoy Movin' On Up's portable climbing

wall, which represents having fun without destroying the environment, and everyone can enjoy a hot dog, chips and drink for only \$5 per person. Popcorn and cotton candy will also be available for purchase.

Come out and celebrate Earth Day at the Earth Day Fair this Friday.

People do need to have a badge to enter the station. If you don't have a badge, just stop by the Pass & ID Office (located on China Lake Blvd.) sometime prior to the event and request a day badge for April 22. The office is open from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. You will need to provide your name, date and place of birth, social security number and vehicle information. Be sure to have a current driver's license, registration and proof of insurance.

For more information, call the NAWS Public Affairs Office at (760) 939-1683.

'Going green' in the workplace

In honor of Earth Day here are some helpful tips for the workplace that can be found on the U.S. Department of Energy's website.

- Always use Compact Fluorescent Lights (CFLs) in desk lamps as opposed to incandescent lights. Switch off all unnecessary lights, and use natural lighting when possible. When working late, use task lighting to directly illuminate work areas.

- Unplug equipment that drains energy even when not in use (i.e. cell phone chargers, fans, coffeemakers, desktop printers, radios, etc.). if possible, turn off your office equipment and or computer monitors at the end of the work day.

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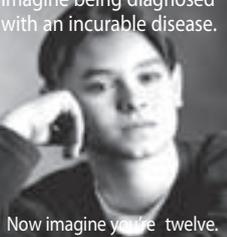
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NEWS

'Our strength is our courage'

NAWCWD celebrates Women's History Month

BY Theresa Goldstrand

NAWCWD PAO

NAWCWD celebrated Women's History Month in a special way this year by hosting the first annual NAWCWD Women's History honorary awards ceremony.

Kathy Seals, Susan Raglin, and Veronica Vasquez comprised the committee who collected the nominations and selected and awarded the recipients of the Women's History awards. Presentations were made at both China Lake and Point Mugu NAWCWD locations.

Thirteen female employees from China Lake were recognized for their significant contributions in the workplace and for being representational of women in our history who have "made a difference."

China Lake honorees included Debra Borden, NAVAIR Lean Six Sigma Master/Black Belt, Mathematician; Jean Carlton, Computer Scientist; Jeanine Corzine, Advanced Systems Integrated Product Team, Mathematician; Eddie Edwards, Supply Financial Management Specialist; Diane Foucher, Contract Specialist; Jeanette Kallberg, Supply Mechanical Engineer; Kim Matsunaga, Contract Specialist; Kelly McDonald, head of the International Technology Cooperative Office (ITCO), Program Analyst; Elizabeth Miliano, Computer Engineer; Kim Schwalb, lead of H-1 Weapons System Support Activity, Supply Mathematician; Daisy Sechrist, Supply Engineering Technician; Pam Smith, Supply Human Resources Specialist; Sherri Sweany, Financial Management Analyst; Marjorie Vargus, Computer Scientist; Claire Velicer, F/A-18 Software Develop Task Team Lead, Computer Scientist; Jacqueline Walters, Supervisory Financial Management Specialist; and Alita Yates, Contract Specialist.

Dr. Karen Higgins, who served as Executive Director of NAWCWD between 1998 and 2005, delivered the keynote speech acknowledging the accomplishment of women in a male-dominated workforce.

Dr. Higgins worked at China Lake thirty-plus years before retiring in 2005.



Dan O'Connor

NAWCWD held its first annual award ceremony on March 22 to recognize women in the workforce for their accomplishments and significant contributions in support of the NAWCWD mission. Honorees and presenters from the China Lake site awards presentation (left to right) are: Daisy Sechrist, Alita Yates, Jeanette Kalberg, Pam Smith, Kim Matsunaga, Diane Foucher, Claire Velicer, Sherri Sweany, Eddie Edwards, Jean Carlton, Dr. Karen Higgins (keynote speaker), Veronica Vasquez (WHM program manager), Debra Borden, Susan Raglin (coordinator), and Kathy Seals (coordinator). Not shown are China Lake employees, Jeanine Corzine, Kelly McDonald, Elizabeth Miliano, Kim Schwalb, Marjorie Vargus, and Jacqueline Walters.

What's your Drinking IQ?

April is Alcohol Awareness Month

Do you feel guilty after drinking too much? Do you fail to do what is expected of you because of drinking? Do friends suggest your drinking might be a problem? If you answered yes to any of these questions, alcohol may be negatively impacting your life. It might be time to check things out.

To help you better understand your relationship with alcohol, this April in observance of Alcohol Awareness Month, Military Pathways is encouraging service members and their families to assess their drinking IQ by taking a brief, anonymous questionnaire online at www.DrinkingIQ.org, over the phone at 877-877-3547.

"The alcohol screenings give service members an opportunity to see if their drinking could be posing a problem to their health or safety," said Bill Smith, the Alcohol Abuse Prevention

specialist at Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, 29 Palms, California. "We have been participating in the program since 2008 and I would say half of the people who come through our center for treatment come as a result of this screening program."

Since the Drinking IQ campaign launched, over 17,000 people have taken an alcohol screening online through the Military Pathways program. Of those who scored positive for symptoms of an alcohol use disorder and answered the question, "do you plan to seek further evaluation?," more than 25 percent answered, "yes."

"The goal of this program is to get service members and family members to think about how, when and why they drink. Not everyone who scores positive on the assessment requires treatment, but research shows that screening and brief intervention can be key in getting people to cut back on

their alcohol use," said Lt. Col. Hans Ritschard, USAF, BSC, PhD, director of Psychological Health Strategic Operations in the Department of Defense Office of Force Health Protection and Readiness.

In addition to the phone and online screenings, military installations will be holding in-person education and awareness events. Educational materials and promotional items that include posters and sports water bottles with the DrinkingIQ website, as well as screening forms are available throughout the year.

For more information, please visit www.MilitaryPathways.org.

About Military Pathways:

Military Pathways gives military service personnel and their families the opportunity to learn more about mental health and alcohol use through anonymous self-assessments offered online, via telephone, and through events

held at installations.

The program is designed to help individuals identify symptoms and access assistance before a problem becomes serious. The self-assessments address alcohol use, PTSD, depression, generalized anxiety disorder, and bipolar disorder. After completing a self-assessment, individuals receive referral information for Tricare, Military OneSource and the Department of Veterans Affairs. The program is run by the nonprofit Screening for Mental Health® and is fully funded by Force Health Protection and Readiness, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Health Affairs. To learn more, visit www.MilitaryPathways.org.

If help is needed at China Lake, contact the Employee Assistance Program at (760) 939-2326.

News

A piece of China Lake history gets revamped



Theresa Goldstrand

In honor of the Centennial of Naval Aviation (CoNA), the A-4 SKYHAWK, which is currently on display at the China Lake traffic circle, is getting a "make-over." Showing the original China Lake test aircraft colors, the SKYHAWK, a Navy post-World War II attack aircraft, was the Navy's primary light bomber used in the early years of the Vietnam conflict. It was also the first Navy aircraft to be deployed outside of the U.S. armed with the AIM-9 Sidewinder. This particular aircraft shares history with China Lake, as it was assigned to the base in its lifetime.

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Supply Officer Lt. Bogdan Lozynskyy (right) presents Aviation Supply carcass manager LS2 Brian J. Cruze with his award for being selected as FISC Sailor of the Quarter.

LS2 Cruze named FISC San Diego Sailor of the Quarter

By, **Michael Roach**
Editor, Rocketeer II

Logistics Specialist Second Class Brian J Cruze has been named the Fleet and Industrial Supply Center (FISC) San Diego Sailor of the Quarter (SOQ) for the fourth quarter of Fiscal Year 2010.

LS2 Cruz received a citation from Rear Adm., SC, U.S. Navy Mark F Heinrich, Commander, FISC which reads:

“For outstanding performance of duties as Aviation Supply Carcass Manager, FISC San Diego, China Lake Detachment, from October – December 2010. Petty Officer Cruze performed his demanding duties in an exemplary and highly professional manner.

“His exceptional dedication and sustained superior performance contributed directly to his selection as (FISC) San Diego (SOQ) (fourth Qtr CY10). As Aviation Supply carcass manager, he managed an aggressive carcass tracking

program that resulted in a dramatic 20 percent reduction of carcass bills in a four month period.

“Additionally, he led four junior Sailors in the processing of 585 not-ready-for-issue retrograde turn-ins valued at \$60 million, with zero losses.

“He also volunteered as China Lake’s assistant duty selection Leader; Morale, Welfare, and Recreation representative and as a Little League football coach in the community.

“Petty Officer Cruze’s professionalism, initiative and loyal devotion to duty reflected great credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.”

Cruze was vetted against five other E5’s before being awarded FISC San Diego SOQ.

Additionally Cruz was named the NAWS China Lake SOQ for the first quarter of fiscal year 2011 for exceptional performance in his duties as Aviation Supply carcass manager.

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honor of the ship’s sponsor, Margaret Taylor. She was presented with gifts — a crystal bowl inscribed with the launch date, a keepsake box for the pieces of the christening bottle, and an empty picture frame that will soon hold a photograph of USNS William McLean at sea trials.

NAWCWD Executive Director Scott O’Neil spoke at the dinner. He said, “Dr. McLean is still a role model for our scientists and engineers at China Lake. When we talk about elegant design and simplicity, we still point to Dr. McLean. This ship seals his legacy of innovation for his entire family and for the U.S. Navy, both ashore and now at sea.”

A second dinner was held on Saturday, just before the christening, giving the McLean family the opportunity to meet more people responsible for building and operating the supply ship.

USNS William McLean is the twelfth ship of the 14-ship Lewis and Clark (T-AKE) class of dry cargo ammunition ships General Dynamics NASSCO is building for the Navy’s Sealift Command. Its mission is to serve as a shuttle or station ship, delivering ammunition and provisions to strike groups and other naval forces.

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Public Works employees receive awards for safety



Above: Public Works Department Carpenter Kevin Stanphill (right), receives a NAVFAC Safety Coin from Bob Kirkpatrick, emergency service shop supervisor, for his good catch. While on an emergency trouble call Stanphill discovered an unsound eave on building 11530. Stanphill came up with a plan to shore the eave to make it safe and is in the process of executing said plan.

Right: Robert Lorden (right) receives a NAVFAC SW Safety Coin from his supervisor Kirkpatrick. Lorden, a carpenter for the Emergency/Service Shop at Public Works Department China Lake, was sent to the Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake Museum of Armament and Technology to repair a sagging drop ceiling. When he removed the ceiling tiles he noticed one of the trusses was broken. He immediately recognized it was a serious safety hazard and contacted his supervisor. The area was immediately secured from public use Public Works Department China Lake is in the process of repairing the truss.



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the Headquarters Building, where Vitale greeted and congratulated some of the top NAWS Sailors, AC1 Allen Downing, Sailor of the Year; MA1 Julius Olgun, Senior Sailor of the Quarter, 1st Quarter; AC2 Branden Engleking, Junior Sailor of the Year; RP3 Micchicco Hunter, Junior Sailor of the Quarter, 2nd Quarter; and ET2 Patrick Conway, with the Ground Electronics Maintenance Department.

Vitale then discussed his goals for CNIC and the challenges shore installations will be facing in the coming year with the N Code site directors and leads. He also took the time to tour several Quality of Life Programs at China Lake. Programs included the Fleet & Family Support Center, Child Development Center, Fitness Center, and Barracks. The Navy Exchange and Commissary were also visited, ensuring the military at China Lake were being supported.

Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division Commander

Rear Adm. Mat Winter and Vice Cmdr. CAPT Rich Burr hosted the two admirals to a quick lunch, followed by a helicopter tour of the Station's north range, with stops at Coso Geothermal and Weapons Survivability Laboratory.

The day ended with a social and dinner hosted at the U.S. Naval Museum of Armament and Technology. Kern County Supervisor Jon McQuiston, City of Ridgecrest Vice Mayor Jerry Taylor and City Administrator Kurt Wilson were able to meet the official party and to enjoy a relaxing dinner catered by NAWS China Lake Dining Services. After dinner, China Lake Museum Foundation President Bob Campbell gave a tour of the museum, showing the dignitaries China Lake's rich history.

After a night at the Navy Gateway Inns and Suites VIP quarters, the official party departed NAWS China Lake to continue their visits of other shore station installations.



Peggy Shoaf



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Top photos: Commander, Navy Installations Command Vice Adm. Vitale talks to Deb Oliver, Child Development Center director, while Navy Region Southwest Master Chief Nancy Hollingsworth, Master Chief Robert Corkish, Commander NRSW Rear Adm. William French, Force Master Chief Christopher Engles, NRSW Flag Aide Lt. Matthew Persiani, and CNIC Flag Aide Lt. Stephen Hartz study the sidewalk drawing in the Child Development Center.

Second Photo: After a social and dinner at the U.S. Navy Museum of Armament and Technology, NAWCWD Rear Adm. Winter (second to left) talks about the work done at China Lake, followed by a tour of the museum hosted by Bob Campbell, president, Navy Museum Foundation (far right). Listening to Winter are (left to right) NAWS Commanding Officer Capt. Jeffrey Dodson, Vice Adm. Vitale, City of Ridgecrest Vice Mayor Jerry Taylor, and Rear Adm. French. Not shown are Kern County Supervisor Jon McQuiston and City of Ridgecrest Administrator Kurt Wilson.

Left: Vice Adm. Vitale waves good-bye as he takes off on a helo tour of the NAWCWD north range.

Bottom photos: The official party listens to Sandy Forrester, housing manager, as she talks about the military who lives onboard China Lake in the barracks. In the right photo, Vice Adm. Vitale gets a chance to talk to the NAWS Sailors, who were in formation for a meeting with the Force Master Chief.



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Human Resources/News

DOD launches new helpline to support victims of sexual assault

WASHINGTON (NNS) -- The Department of Defense launched its newest initiative to support victims of sexual assault April 15.

Using DoD Safe Helpline, service members can "click, call or text" for victim support services for themselves or others. The free, anonymous and confidential resource can be accessed worldwide.

In addition to improving victim care, secure and confidential access to Safe Helpline was developed to encourage victims to come forward when they might not otherwise.

"The underreporting of sexual assault poses a serious challenge to military readiness," said Clifford L. Stanley, under secretary of defense for personnel and readiness. "We believe the Safe Helpline will provide DoD sexual assault victims with a variety of support outlets, which will lead victims to report sexual assault, seek needed information, and receive care."

Safe Helpline offers three access options designed for service members:

Users can log on to <http://www.SafeHelpline.org> to receive live,

one-on-one confidential help with a trained professional through a secure instant-messaging format. The website also provides vital information about recovering from and reporting sexual assault.

A second option is to call the telephone hotline at 877-995-5247 to speak with Safe Helpline staff for personalized advice and support. Safe Helpline staff can also transfer callers to installation-based sexual assault response coordinators (SARC), on-call victim advocates, civilian rape crisis centers, or to the Suicide Prevention Lifeline.

The third option is for users to text their location to 55247 inside the United States or 202-470-5546 outside of the United States to receive automated contact information for the SARC at their installation or base.

Further information on Safe Helpline can be found on <http://www.SafeHelpline.org> or at <http://www.sapr.mil>.

For local help, contact a sexual assault response advocate 24 hours a day, seven days a week at (760) 608-7745.

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Saturday, at the christening ceremony, speaker Rear Admiral Mark Buzby, Commander, Military Sealift Command (MSC), said USNS William McLean and her MSC mariners will be indispensable to the Navy, "daily performing many tasks required to keep our combat fleets on station, ready to face any aggressor anywhere in the world."

Keynote speaker for the christening was Vice Admiral Dave Venlet, Program Executive Officer for the Joint Strike Fighter and former Commander of the Naval Air Warfare Center, Weapons Division.

From inside the San Diego shipyard, Venlet's remarks took the audience back to the desert, back to the 1950s, when Bill and his wife Lav McLean were helping to shape China Lake.

He spoke of their imprint that remains on the base and in Ridgecrest — the Dr. McLean Memorial Award given each June, the street named McLean Way, the Sidewinder statue by Freedom Park. And, of course, the William B. McLean Laboratory, considered by many as China Lake's greatest tribute to McLean.

Then he talked about last weekend, when more than 140 middle-school boys interested in science and engineering were welcomed into McLean Lab, greeted by China Lake's Executive Director and Commander. When asked what they thought makes our country great, the boys had

answered, "Freedom."

When it was their turn to ask questions, Venlet said the boys wanted to know how missiles find their targets, how many bombs are dropped in a day, and news about that Joint Strike Fighter.

He said, "Then one boy raised his hand and said, 'My grandfather worked on the early Sidewinder.' So the Commander asked how many other boys had family members working on Sidewinder, and more than 30 hands shot into the air.

"On second thought," Venlet said, "maybe that is China Lake's greatest tribute to Dr. McLean."

While Venlet was still speaking, Taylor was escorted to the trigger platform where she was handed a sleeved bottle of champagne.

Standing with her was California Congressman Duncan Hunter, General Dynamics NASSCO President Fred Harris, and the ship's matrons of honor, family members Rosemary McLean and Virginia Rembold.

Venlet finished out his remarks as the red numbers on the clock worked their way to launch time.

"Clearly his legacy is set on land," Venlet said, "but his passion was always for the sea. As Dr. McLean once mentioned, 'There are many jobs to be done in the ocean.' This amazing ship, its captain and crew will surely get the job of USNS McLean done, and done well."



Desiree Jones

China Lake was well represented at the christening of USNS William McLean. Seated in the same section with members of the McLean family and the ship's crewmembers were (l-r): NAWCWD Executive Director, Scott O'Neil; Former China Lake Technical Director, Bill Porter; and former department heads Jack Latimer and Paul Homer.

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Civilian Sign Up  
April 25-May 4

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| <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL RENTALS     | <input type="checkbox"/> MISC. FOR SALE           |
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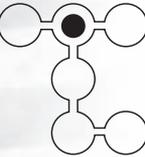
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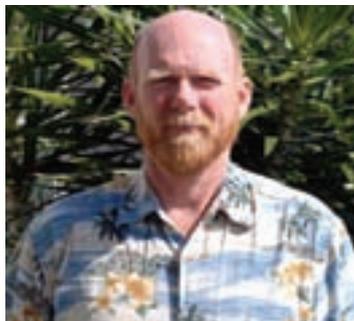
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