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Navy 236th Birthday Ball Oct. 13

By Jessica Armstrong
NAWS Deputy PAO

China Lake will celebrate the 236th birthday of the U.S. Navy with a birthday ball Oct. 13 at Paradise Community Center.

This annual event brings together current and retired military and their spouses with civilian employees and members of the community to honor the Navy as well as the men and women who contribute to its history and carry on its traditions.

Cocktail hour will begin at 5:30 p.m. with seating for dinner at 6:30 p.m. followed by dancing, a raffle and cutting of the birthday cake.

Ticket prices are \$50 for E-7 and above, \$35 for E-6 and below and \$55 for civilians and retired military. Tickets may be purchased through Oct. 3 at the China Lake Police Department or by calling MAC Jose Olivencia, Navy Ball chairman, at (760) 939-3172.

The dress code for the ball is dinner/dress whites for active duty military and formal attire for civilians and retired military.

The "birth" of the U.S. Navy can be traced to the Continental Navy, established on Oct. 13, 1775 by the Continental Congress, when the procurement, fitting out, manning and dispatch of two armed vessels was authorized to cruise in search of munitions ships supplying the British Army

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Local Sailor spends a week on board Constitution

By Michael Roach
Editor, Rocketeer II



Official Navy Photo

CPO Select Allen Downing (center) stands with his teammates during the "up and overs" drill on board the U.S.S. Constitution.

Chief Petty Officer Select Allen Downing was chosen for an exclusive opportunity to get up close and personal with a piece of Navy and U.S. history. From Aug. 22-26 he climbed aboard the U.S.S. Constitution in Boston Harbor.

Downing was selected to participate in week two of the 2011 CPO Heritage Training Weeks, an event which gives CPO mentors a chance to work alongside CPO Selectees in an environment that embraces the cultural richness and history of the U.S. Navy.

"I am glad they thought of me to go," said Downing. "I was extremely excited; it was the U.S.S. Constitution."

"Each year a small number of Chief Petty Officer selectees are invited to spend a week aboard the U.S.S. Constitution 'Old Ironsides,'" said Command Master Chief Charles Grandin. "Selectees live aboard the world's oldest commissioned warship and receive intensive training from Chief Petty Officer mentors. Throughout the week selectees take part in a number of community relations projects

with an emphasis on teamwork and the Chief Petty Officer guiding principles. Selectees also show our Navy pride by marching to several historical landmarks throughout Boston."

The U.S.S. Constitution was completed in 1797 and was launched as one of the first six ships of the U.S. Navy. Since that time, it has served in numerous campaigns and gained national recognition as the subject of Oliver Wendell's poem "Old Ironsides." Not only did Downing and the other selectees participate in training on the ship, they slept on the deck for their five day course. "I had no problem with that," said Downing. "I loved every minute of it."

"I just had a great time learning and absorbing the history. We did a lot of marching, saw a lot of historical sites in Boston; Bunker Hill, Paul Revere's house, we went all over the place," said Downing. "We did drills on the ship, cannon drills, 'up and overs', powder packing and cannonball drills; we did that every day. We even hoisted the main sail. If I remember right, I think they said it weighed 11,000 pounds, so a bunch of us got

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Meet China Lake's new Public Works Officer

By Michael Roach
Editor, Rocketeer II

Naval Air Weapons Station CNaval Air Weapons Station China Lake has a new Public Works Officer Cmdr. Rod W. Tribble has come on board to replace Cmdr. Stan Kloss. Tribble considers the position an opportunity to build on what he calls an already great organization; one based on talented, close-knit professionals who daily support the important work of the Station.

A native of Hanford, Calif., Tribble enlisted in the Navy's nuclear power program as a machinist mate in 1983. "I joined the Navy to complete my education... I was able to pursue a degree through the Navy. Once I got my degree I went to OCS [officer candidate school] and got commissioned," said Tribble.

At OCS, Tribble was recognized as the top graduate of his class. He then proceeded to his first commissioned tour as the deputy resident officer in

charge of construction, Marine Corps Logistics Base, Barstow, Calif. It was during his time there that Tribble first visited NAWS China Lake. "I did come to China Lake in the mid 90's and learned a little bit about the mission," said Tribble. "But, really, it was the tour out to the Coso Geothermal Plant that got me excited about all of the remarkable engineering here."

Tribble considers many things to be memorable about his career, thus far, including his participation in the relief effort for Japan after the devastating earthquake and tsunami March 11. "I felt like it was important work to help the Japanese people in a very difficult time," said Tribble.

Additionally, Tribble has done multiple tours of duty in support of combat operations overseas. Before forces entered Iraq, Tribble was in Kuwait. "We were there just for the build-up to Operation Iraqi Freedom and a little bit after that," he said.



Courtesy photo

Tribble, Page 12 Cmdr. Rod W. Tribble

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in America.

In 1972, Chief of Naval Operations Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt authorized recognition of Oct. 13 as the Navy's official

birthday. Since then, each CNO has encouraged a Navy-wide celebration of this occasion to enhance a greater appreciation of Navy heritage and to provide a positive influence toward pride and professionalism in the naval service.

This event is the unofficial kick-

off of the China Lake Celebration of Naval Aviation happening Oct. 14-16 and is open to the public. Please visit <http://www.chinalakecelebration.com/> for more information, including base access information, directions to Paradise Community Center and security rules.

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Rev. James Dowds, Catholic priest

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Military

This week in U.S. Navy History

Sept. 8:

1923 - In a disaster at Point Honda, Calif., seven destroyers run aground through faulty navigation.

1939 - President Franklin D. Roosevelt proclaims a limited national emergency and increases enlisted strength in the Navy and Marine Corps; also authorizes the recall to active duty of officers, men and nurses on the retired lists of the Navy and Marine Corps.

1954 - U.S. signs Manila Treaty forming SEATO (Southeast Asia Treaty Organization).

1958 - Lt. R. H. Tabor, wearing a Navy-developed pressure suit, completes a 72-hour simulated flight at altitudes as high as 139,000 feet. It was another step in the development of the Navy spacesuit, which NASA accepted in 1959 for use by Mercury astronauts.

Sept. 9:

1825 - USS Brandywine sails for France to carry the Marquis de Lafayette home after his yearlong visit to America.

1841 - First iron ship authorized by Congress.

1940 - Navy awards contracts

for 210 ships, including 12 carriers and seven battleships.

1943 - Operation Avalanche, Western Naval Task Force, under Vice Adm. Henry Hewitt, lands Allied forces at Salerno, Italy.

1944 - Fifth Fleet carrier aircraft begin air strikes on Japanese shipping and facilities at Mindanao, Philippines.

1945 - A "computer bug" is first identified and named by Lt. Grace Murray Hopper while she was on active duty. It was found in the Mark II Aiken Relay Calculator at Harvard University. The operators affixed the moth to the computer log, where it still resides, with the entry: "First actual case of bug being found." They "debugged" the computer, first introducing the term.

Sept. 10:

1813 - In the Battle of Lake Erie, Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry, flying his "Don't give up the ship" flag, defeats British squadron and says: "We have met the enemy, and they are ours..."

1925 - Submarine R-4 (SS 81) rescues crew of PN-9 plane 10 miles from their destination of Hawaii.

1945 - Carrier Midway (CVB 42) commissioned.

1961 - World's first nuclear-powered guided-missile cruiser, Long Beach (CGN 9) is commissioned

Sept. 11:

1814 - In the Battle of Lake Champlain, Commodore Thomas Macdonough defeats a British Squadron.

1939 - USS Bear (AG 29) is commissioned by the U.S. Navy for Antarctic operations under command of Rear Adm. Richard Byrd.

1941 - President Franklin D. Roosevelt announces order to the Navy to "shoot on sight" vessels threatening U.S. shipping or ships under U.S. escort.

1942 - Pharmacist's Mate 1st Class Wheeler B. Lipes performs emergency appendectomy on Seaman 1st Class Darrell D. Rector, aboard USS Seadragon (SS 194), on patrol in South China Sea.

1943 - Italian Navy surrenders to Allies.

1945 - Operation Magic Carpet, the return of troops to the United States, begins.

2001 - One hundred twenty-five Pentagon employees, including 42 Sailors and Department of the Navy civilians, are killed along with 59 airline passengers when terrorists fly a hijacked airliner into the Pentagon.

Sept. 12:

1916 - First demonstration of automatic stabilization and direction gear in aircraft.

1944 - Fifth Fleet carrier aircraft begin three-day attack on Japanese shipping and facilities in Visayas, Philippines.

1952 - USS Coral Sea (CVB 43) took Marshall Josip Tito for a one-day cruise in the Adriatic Sea where he was shown flight operations.

1961 - Navy task force sails to aid the Galveston area after Hurricane Carla hits Texas.

1966 - Launch of Gemini 11, piloted by Cmdr. Charles Conrad Jr. and Lt. Cmdr. Richard F. Gordon Jr. Their mission lasted two days and 23 hours and included 44 orbits at an altitude of 1368.9 km. Recovery was by HS-3 helicopter from USS Guam (LPH 9).

1967 - Operation Coronado V began in Mekong Delta.

1992 - Joint Task Force Hawaii activated to provide humanitarian aid after Typhoon Iniki struck Hawaiian Islands.

Sept. 13:

1814 - British bombardment of Fort McHenry inspires the Star Spangled Banner.

1847 - Marine Brigade leads U.S. forces that storm Chapultepec Castle near Mexico City, inspiring one line of the Marine Hymn.

1906 - Sailors and Marines from USS Denver land in Havana at the request of the Cuban government to preserve order during a revolution.

1985 - Commander Middle East Force orders escort of Military Sealift Ships in Persian Gulf because of Iranian seizure of merchant vessels.

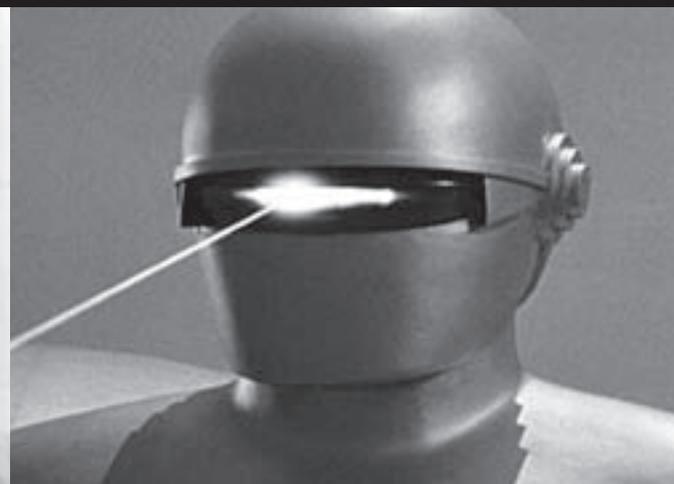
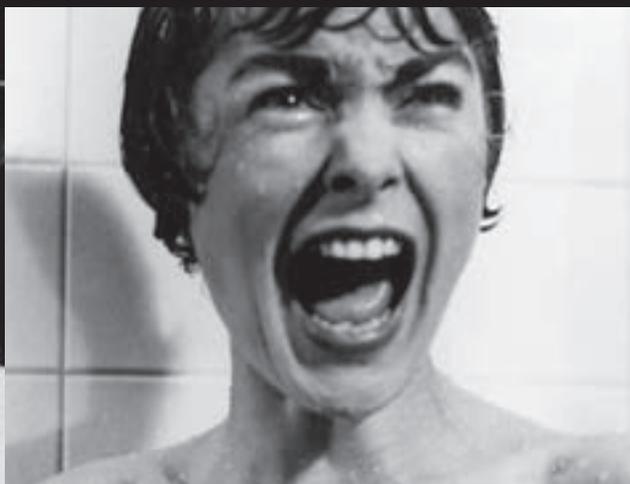
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1899 - Gunboat Concord and monitor Monterey capture two insurgent schooners at Aparri, Philippine Islands.

1939 - Atlantic Squadron Neutrality Patrol ships deploy.

1976 - USS John F. Kennedy (CV 67) and destroyer Bordelon (DD 881) collide during night operations 100 miles north of Scotland.

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Military

Navy continues hiring amid high retention

MILLINGTON, Tenn. (NNS) — Commander, Navy Recruiting Command's monthly recruiting Mission Day begins Aug. 31 and the Navy still needs new Sailors in hard-to-fill rates to meet this year's recruiting goals.

The U.S. Navy is looking for highly qualified applicants who are interested in serving, including those who have previously worn the uniform.

On average, less than one percent of annual enlisted accessions are comprised of prior service applicants. For fiscal year 2010, more than 34,000 men and women joined the Navy as active duty enlisted Sailors, of which only 131 were prior service members.

However, the Navy is still hiring, needing more than 46,000 highly qualified active and reserve, enlisted and officer applicants each year. The quality of recruits, including those who re-enter the service, is extraordinarily high, meaning only the best are accepted to serve in America's Navy.

If prior service applicants desire re-entry, they must ensure their physical fitness is high enough to meet Navy standards, that their height and weight meet the current requirements, and that they have their records in order.

Additionally, prior service applicants are encouraged to consider other ratings in addition

to the rating they held before leaving the Navy. The greatest needs are in challenging career fields such as nuclear power, Navy diver, air rescue swimmers, explosive ordnance disposal and Navy SEALs. Opportunities available are based on the needs of the Navy.

While greater retention in the military may limit the number of opportunities for those who have previously served, desirable skill sets and flexibility with rating choice improve chances for selection. Additional options are available in our Navy Reserve force.

For more information on joining (or rejoining) America's Navy, visit www.navy.com or talk with a local Navy recruiter. To find a recruiter near you, go to www.navy.com and click on "Find a Recruiter."

With 70 percent of the world covered in ocean, 80 percent of the world's population living near coasts and 90 percent of the world's commerce traveling by water, America's Navy continues to be forward deployed as a global force for good. Navy Recruiting Command's mission is to recruit the best men and women for America's Navy to accomplish today's missions and meet tomorrow's challenges.

Capt. Timothy "Eel" Morey salutes VX-31



Photo by Mike McGinnis

Capt. Timothy "Eel" Morey, Commander Naval Test Wing Pacific (NTWP), delivers the traditional salute to his plane captain as he taxis out of the VX-31 flight line to begin his last flight in the Navy Aug. 29. Morey served as chief test pilot and then commander of Air Test and Evaluation Squadron (VX) 31 from March 2004 to March 2007. In fitting style for a dedicated test pilot, Morey's final flight was a test mission, gathering critical data for new weapons systems upgrades that will ultimately make the F/A-18 an even more capable combat aircraft. After a 24-year naval career, Morey celebrated his pending retirement with a change of command and retirement ceremony Sept. 1, at the Air Test and Evaluation Squadron (VX) 30, Hangar 372, Point Mugu, Calif. More than 200 guests attended the ceremony to witness the traditional Navy change of command ceremony when Morey was relieved by Capt. Paul A. Sohl as NTWP commander. Morey is well-known to the NAWCWD community through his service as the Tomahawk test director within PEO(W) at Patuxent River, Md., Oct. 2001 to Dec. 2003. He became the military director of NAVAIR's Weapons and Energetics Department March 2007 to June 2008, then assumed command of Naval Test Wing Pacific, June 2008 to Sept. 2011.

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Marine Aviation Detachment China Lake encourages military spouses to attend L.I.N.K.S – a free, bi-monthly military spouse support group that provides information to male and female military spouses (enlisted and officer).

The next LINKS training is scheduled 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on both Sept. 21 and 22 at the China Lake Fleet and Family Support Center, 0610 Blandy Ave. (Bldg 02308), Classroom "O." Free childcare and lunch will be provided both days.

This is an opportunity for active duty military spouses to meet their peers and learn about military culture, the history of the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps. Other topics of interest may include financial management tips, moving experiences, dealing with separation and deployments, healthy communications, information that is "base-specific" to China Lake, as well as insights about the local community of Ridgecrest and surrounding areas.

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News

MAD announces birthday ball

By Theresa Goldstrand
NAWCWD PAO

To honor and celebrate 236 years of U.S. Marine Corps service to our nation, the Marine Aviation Detachment, China Lake, Calif., is hosting its annual Marine Corps Birthday Ball, Wednesday, Nov. 9.

The ceremony begins at 7 p.m. at the Kerr McGee Conference Center, 100 W. California Avenue, Ridgecrest, Calif.

Members of the community with military affiliation (active, reserve, retired, prior service military and DoD civilians) are invited to attend the ball for an evening of traditional military ceremony, dinner and dancing.

To receive a formal invitation, those interested in attending, who meet the military affiliation description, are asked to contact the Marine Corps Birthday Ball Coordinator no later than Sept. 20.

All correspondence should include the following

Navy seeks applicants for enlisted selection boards

MILLINGTON, Tenn. (NNS) —Navy Personnel Command announced Sept. 2 that it is seeking senior enlisted leaders to serve on Fiscal Year 2013 active-duty and reserve E-9, E-8 and E-7 selection boards.

“Participation by senior leaders in selection boards is paramount to the Navy’s future,” said Navy Personnel Command (NPC) Force Master Chief (AW/SW/NAC) Jon Port. “You should consider it a fundamental duty that when you’re promoted to a certain pay grade, it’s your responsibility to go back and select those who will relieve you.”

A master chief’s career is not considered complete until they have participated as a member of an enlisted selection board, according to Port. There are approximately 2,600 master chief petty officers in the Navy and every individual not otherwise restricted from participating in a selection board is strongly encouraged to volunteer.

“Master chiefs are the senior enlisted advisors to the chief’s mess and guide Sailors to make the right career choices, so they continue to develop and promote,” said Port. “You can’t truly know how to advise your Sailors until you have sat the selection board process yourself

information: full name, branch of service, active/retired/prior service status, rank/rate (current or at separation/retirement), years of service, and contact information including telephone, e-mail address, and mailing address. DoD civilians should include title and department; business and/or community leaders with military affiliation, should list business title and business name and/or community position.

E-mail requests should be directed to mad.mcball2011@gmail.com with subject line: “2011 Marine Corps Birthday Ball Invitation.”

Written requests should be addressed to Commanding Officer, (Attention: CWO3 Osilla), Marine Aviation Detachment, 1 Administration Circle, Mail Stop 1317, China Lake, Calif., 93555.

Questions may be directed to NAWCWD Public Affairs Office at (760) 939-3511

and understand what goes into it, how records are reviewed and how the integrity of the board comes together.”

Active and reserve component master chiefs are encouraged to apply for any of the above boards. Frocked master chiefs may also participate in the selection board process. There is no restriction on active-duty serving on reserve boards or reserve/full-time support serving on active boards.

Senior chief petty officers may also serve on the active or reserve E-7 boards as either members or recorders. They may only serve as recorders on the E-9 or E-8 boards. Chief petty officers may serve as recorders on E-9, E-8 and E-7 selection boards.

Preserving the integrity of the selection board process before, during and after a board is vital to the reliability of the board, said Port. It is also important that prospective candidates submit their application on their own behalf. Forwarding via administrative personnel will compromise board membership and could invalidate their application. Only those in an applicant’s chain of command or their fleet/force master chief need to know of their

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NAWS encourages participation in Parade of 1,000 Flags

NAWS China Lake is inviting all tenant commands and codes to carry flags in this year’s Parade of 1,000 Flags.

While this is an unofficial Navy activity, formation of teams to represent the various commands or codes is encouraged. Banners can be designed by volunteers to identify various codes or commands, if so desired. Family members are also encouraged to participate.

This is the first time NAWS

China Lake is partnering with the local community to host this event -- an event that commemorates 9/11/01.

Staging will be at the corner of Norma St. and Ridgecrest Blvd. at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 10, with the parade starting at 9 a.m. It will go east on Ridgecrest Blvd., turn south on China Lake Blvd., and turn west on California Ave. to Freedom Park (directly behind the Kerr McGee Center).

After the parade, there will be a program honoring firefighters, law enforcement, emergency responders and military personnel.

On Sunday, Sept. 11, there will be a candlelight vigil at dusk at Freedom Park.

If you are interested in forming a team to participate, please call or e-mail NAWS PAO at (760) 939-1683 or peggy.shoaf@navy.mil no later than noon on Thursday, Sept. 8.

NCCIC warns against possible phishing threat

A bulletin released by the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center (NCCIC), part of the Department of Homeland Security, has been issued to warn that a phishing campaign which will use “9/11” in the subject line, attachments or content, is likely to occur in the near future.

The bulletin states “Malicious users seeking to exploit interest related to the 10 year anniversary of the Sept. 11 2001 terrorist attacks will likely use subject lines related to the incident in phishing e-mails on or around Sept. 11. Network administrators and general users should be aware of these attempts and avoid opening

messages with attachments and/or subject lines related to 9/11.”

According to the bulletin, “Phishing is an attempt by an individual or group to solicit personal information from unsuspecting users by employing social engineering techniques.”

The reason the threat is high right now is that “the malicious cyber activity commonly associated with and that precedes high profile events or the anniversaries of significant events. Both government agencies and private organizations could possibly become recipients of malicious activity, most commonly in the form of socially engineered spear-phishing emails. These

emails will appear to originate from a reputable source, with the email subject closely aligned to the event and usually of interest to the recipient. The email in most cases will contain a malicious attachment with a subject name relevant to the event alluring the recipient to open. The attachment when opened will launch malware into the users system in most cases in the form of a key logger or remote access Trojans.”

The NCCIC will continue to monitor the situation and work to contain individuals and organizations who are responsible for phishing. Information on phishing scams should be sent to phishing-report@us-cert.gov.

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of those lost, and in hopes that others will be saved. We give because we can.

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News

Vice Adm. Mark Skinner visits China Lake

Vice Adm. Mark Skinner, principle military deputy and assistant secretary of the Navy, research, development and Acquisition, recently returned to China Lake to visit Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division (NAWCWD).

Hosted by NAWCWD Technical Director, Scott O'Neil, Skinner toured the McLean Laboratory where he discussed integration and interoperability with employees of the local command.

Skinner, a former commander of NAWCWD, then met with leadership who represented Weapons and Energetics, Irregular Warfare, Unrestricted Warfare, Combat Survivability, Threat Target Systems and the Research and Intelligence departments.

Skinner addressed a full house of Ridgecrest and China Lake leaders at the China Lake Alliance meeting held at the Marriott Springhill Suites Conference Center, Aug. 31. He provided an overview and update of the Navy's budget



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process and how it may impact research and development at China Lake.

Rear Adm. Mat Winter, NAWCWD commander, and

Skinner continued the tour of NAWCWD's facilities the following day for an overview of current naval air warfare projects and operations.

Admirals Open Golf Tournament Sept. 23-24 at China Lake Golf Course

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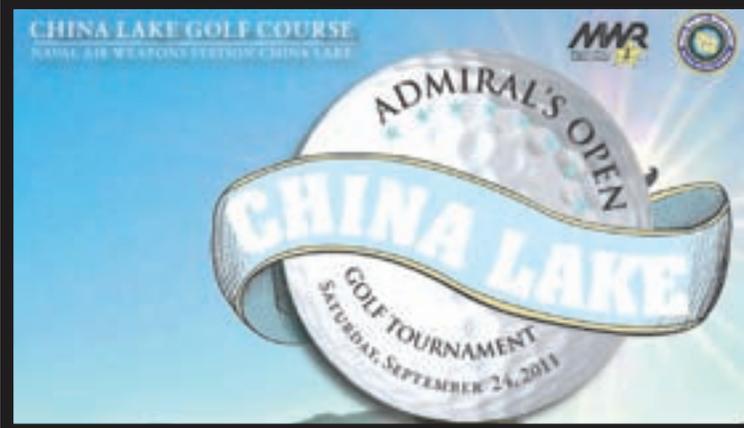
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together and pulled it up.”

The program never had a dull moment, “reveille was at 0430, taps was at 2200 and everything was full through the whole day,” said Downing.

According to Downing, his favorite thing about the experience was the sailors he was able to work alongside. Selectees were broken up into ten teams, Downing was on team eight. “We came together in a short amount of time. Literally, within a day, we were working as a team. So, that was an outstanding time.”

Downing gave an example of their teamwork “We did pike

drills, they [the U.S.S. Constitution Sailors] taught us how to fight together like they would if someone was trying to board the ship. They were very good at teachings how to do it so that we would be safe in everything we did.”

Another aspect of the program was community service. The CPO selectees visited a local school to lend a helping hand, as well as a homeless veteran’s shelter. “Just doing that, helping the community was a great time,” said Downing.

The 2011 CPO Heritage Training Week was a great experience according to Downing, “I really wanted to stay and do some more. The five days went by in a blink.”

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- CPO Select Allen Downing



Chief selectees march throughout the city for USS Constitution’s second week of Chief Petty Officer Heritage Week. Official Navy Photo



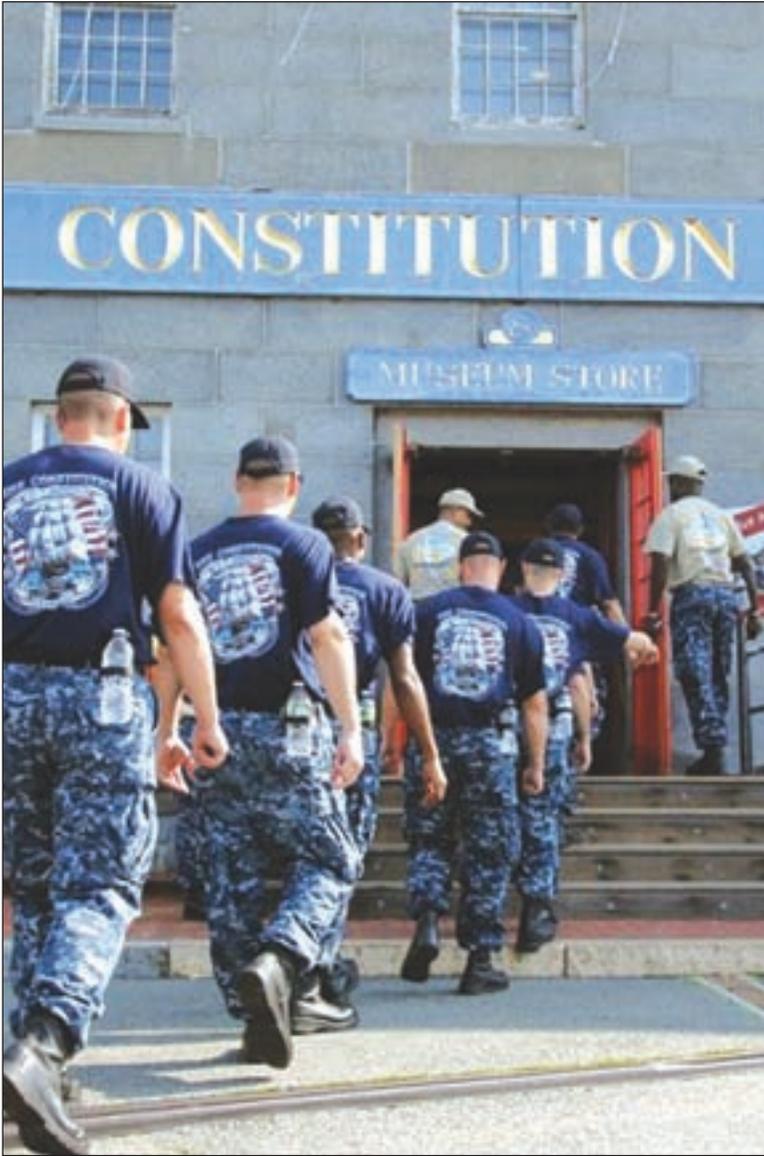
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Chief selectees clean the yard of Warren Prescott (K-8) School for a community service project, as a part of USS Constitution’s second week of Chief Petty Officer Heritage Week. The chief petty officer selectees will live and train aboard USS Constitution, the world’s oldest commissioned warship afloat.



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Chief selectees climb aloft during USS Constitution’s second week of Chief Petty Officer Heritage Week.



Official Navy photo
Chief selectees tour the USS Constitution Museum during Chief Petty Officer Heritage Week.



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Chief selectees perform 17th century boarding pike drills during USS Constitution's second week of Chief Petty Officer Heritage Week.



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Chief selectees walk away with a halyard during USS Constitution's second week of Chief Petty Officer Heritage Week.



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Chief selectees listen while National Park Service rangers speak about the history of the Charlestown Navy Yard for Chief Petty Officer Heritage Week.



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First class petty officers selected for promotion to chief petty officer arrive for their first day of USS Constitution's second week of Chief Petty Officer Heritage Week.

News/ Human Resources

Tribble, Front Page

"We were part of the 1st Marine Expedition Force Engineering Group. We did a lot of the preliminary work."

From June to Dec. 2005, Tribble did an individual augmentation in Baghdad as a resident officer in charge. "I worked for the Army Corps of Engineers at the time. I was imbedded with 256th Brigade Combat Team and then the 10th Mountain Division that replaced them," said Tribble. "I felt like I made an important contribution by overseeing reconstruction projects for northwest Baghdad and Abu Ghraib. It was amazing to work with the Iraqis, using their construction methods to not only do important reconstruction, but also to help grow their economy."

At China Lake, Tribble is looking to maintain the quality of work being put out by the Public Works Department. "I follow Cmdr. Stan Kloss, who established a great reputation of quality products and services and responsiveness. I want to continue that legacy, that standard. As with anything, this business is very dynamic and you need to be able to respond," said Tribble. "I really just want to make sure we keep the program going forward and build on the already solid reputation."

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participation on a selection board. Participation on a future board should not be discussed with fellow members while serving on an earlier board.

Potential board members are charged with preserving board information the moment they are officially notified by NPC that they have been chosen to sit on a promotion selection board. Rules of engagement can be found on NPC's website at www.npc.navy.mil/boards/selectionboardsupport.

"I've served on selection boards before and it is challenging work, but never did I leave a board without feeling like I accomplished something great. I made a mark on my Navy's future, and I made a mark on myself with that experience," said Port.

Prior to submitting an application, Sailors should also review BUPERSINST 1401.5A, the supplemental guidance for U.S. Navy selection boards.

Complete application procedures, eligibility requirements and links to other resources can be found in NAVADMIN 249/11, available on the NPC website at www.npc.navy.mil or contact the NPC customer service center at CSCmailbox@navy.mil or 1-866-U-ASK-NPC.

Leave Transfer Program

Leave Transfer Program - The employees listed have been approved as leave recipients under the Leave Transfer Program. These employees have exhausted annual and sick leave because of medical emergencies and anticipate being in a leave-without-pay status for at least 24 hours. Employees who wish to help a leave recipient may donate annual leave to the employee by submitting a completed OPM 630-A Request to Donate Annual Leave (Within Agency) form. Send your completed form to Code 731000D Stop 1316, Attn: Madonna Archibeque, or you can fax to 939-1423. For more information regarding the Leave Transfer Program, please call Madonna Archibeque at 939-8103 or DSN 437-8103. The 2011 leave year ends on 1 January 2012.

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News/ Health

Deputy Public Works Officer Timothy Kaber promoted to Lt. Cmdr.



Photo by Michael Roach

Lt. Cmdr. Timothy Kaber (right) being sworn in at his promotion by Commanding Officer NAVFAC Southwest Capt. Clifford Maurer Aug. 30. Kaber serves as the deputy public works Officer at Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake.

Do You Know if it's an Emergency?

By Shari Lopatin

TriWest Healthcare Alliance

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Urgent care examples

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- Minor lacerations
- Urinary tract infections
- Earaches
- Migraine headaches
- Sprains
- Rising fever

Emergency room examples

Anything severe enough to reasonably believe life, limb or eyesight could be threatened. This includes maternity and psychiatric emergencies, as well as:

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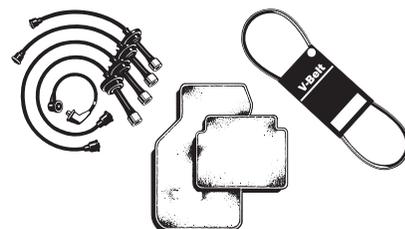
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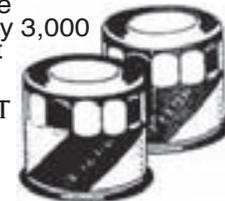
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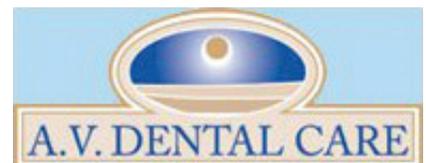
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