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## NAMDC Becomes SMWDC Detachment Dahlgren, Change Reflects Collective Training and Missions for SWO Community

By Barbara Wagner Staff Writer

The Naval Air and Missile Defense Command (NAM-DC), the U.S. Navy's lead organization for Integrated Air and Missile Defense (IAMD) matters, was part of a tactical disestablishment and consolidation June 30 to better serve the warfighting needs of the surface Navy.

NAMDC is now the Naval Surface and Mine Warfighting Development Center Detachment Dahlgren (SMWDCDD), reporting to the newly-established Naval Surface and Mine Warfighting Development Center (SMWDC) in San Diego, Calif.

The change is credited to a training need recognized in 2010 by the commander of U.S. Naval Surface Forces Pacific (SURFOR/SURPAC), for

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Rear Adm. James Kilby, commander, Naval Surface and Mine Warfighting Development Center (SMWDC) addresses his graduates of the Warfare Tactics Instructor (WTI) course in the AEGIS Training and Readiness Center's (ATRC) auditorium onboard Naval Support Facility (NSF) Dahlgren.

## NMCRS Providing Financial Assistance One QAL at a Time

By Barbara Wagner Staff Writer

Financial hardships affect more than just your wallet. Struggling with basic living expenses can cause performance and readiness of service member to suffer along with creating day-to-day stress with dependents and bill collectors. Fortunately for Naval Support Facility (NSF) Dahlgren active duty service members, the Navy and Marine Corp Relief Society (NMCRS) can now assist qualified service members with small interest-free, shortterm loans to help bridge the gap and prevent serious repercussions.

Active duty Sailors and Marines now have the ability to sign up for Quick Assist Loans (QALs) at the NSF Dahlgren location. The NMCRS Dahlgren Office kicked off their Quick Assist Loan program and the expansion of their office from an emergency only to a limited service facility on Tuesday, August 4, with a cake cutting and words from Naval Support Activity South Potomac (NSASP) Commanding Officer Capt. Mary Feinberg.



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Joining in the celebration of the reopening of the Navy Marine Corps Relief Services office as a limited service office – previously an emergency only office – are (top row, left to right) AEGIS Training Readiness Center (ATRC) Emergency Management Coordinator and NMCRS Volunteer Adonis Tabrizi, ATRC XO CMR Todd Baier, Center for Surface Combat Systems (CSCS) XO CMR Chris Simmons, Director for NMCRS Washington Navy Yard Melodie Weddle, NSASP Commanding Officer Captain Mary Feinberg, NSASP Command Career Counselor Chief Steven Walsh and ATRC Senior Enlisted Leader FCCM(SW) Brian Rieger, (bottom row, left to right) Fleet and Family Service Center Director Frank Furtado, NMCRS Dahlgren Coordinator FCC(SW) Nathan M. Andrews and CSCS FC1 Andrew Bannister.

"NSF Dahlgren is pleased to have NMCRS on board providing outstanding services like the QALs program for our community," Feinberg said. "The services that NMCRS provide are invaluable to our

Sailors and Marines and their dependents and having on base access to the QALs program will make applying for assistance easier for our Active Duty Service members when financial emergencies arise." QALs are short-term, interest-free loans for up to \$500 that are available to Navy and Marine Corps service members facing an emergency or other urgent financial situation. QALs are available to

Sailors and Marines who are currently active duty, have no outstanding NMCRS loans and need help with basic living expenses or other financial emergencies. Qualified service members can now process their QAL request on NSF Dahlgren. Previously those who were applying had to travel to Naval Air Station (NAS) Patuxent River, the Washington Navy Yard or Marine Corps Base Quantico to process their application.

The NMCRS program relies heavily on their volunteer staff and NSF Dahlgren has one very dedicated volunteer who was largely responsible for the arrival of the new service.

"We are also very fortunate to have dedicated volunteers like Adonis [Tabrizi] who have provided the insight and dedicated the time to see that our community benefit from the services that NMCRS has to offer," Feinberg said.

A long-time volunteer with NMCRS, Adonis Tabrizi was pleased that the service is now offered at NSF Dahlgren. Ta-

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## **SEAP Extension Program Inspires Students and Mentors**

Naval Support Facility (NSF) Dahlgren recently hosted a week long Science and Engineering Appren-ticeship Program (SEAP) Extension program. The weeklong program is offered to students from around the state who apply for a SEAP Apprenticeship but were not accepted due to the highly competitive nature of the program. The students are afforded the opportunity to partake in a hands-on immersion experience with mentors from NSF Dahlgren and other organizations promoting the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).

The goal of the program was to build a functioning vessel that culminated with a successful course in the Potomac River. The final course involved launching from the shoreline, traveling about 100 feet out into the river and circumnavigating a buoy with a successful return to shore. Throughout the week, the teams learned the process of creating a craft from start to finish and took several courses to ensure that they were able to build the prototype.

"The students had to learn the basics-software programming to program the boat to perform the assigned task, participate in a buoyance class, an electronics class to learn basic electricity then build the circuits and the vessel," SEAP Program lead Scott Arendt shared. "This was followed by troubleshooting and debugging their programs until they were able to have their vessels complete the

In addition to participating in the hands-on experience, the students were able to benefit from the mentorship of Dahlgren staff including a session with Naval Surface Warfare Center Dahlgren Division (NSWCDD) Commanding Officer Capt. Brian Durant.

During Durant's session, he and the other mentors fielded questions from the students who were interested in what courses in college would be most beneficial, the differences between attending one of the military universities versus participating in the ROTC program, how they could go about being an intern at NSF Dahlgren and what challenges they could expect. The core of the answers boiled down to several things: Don't give up, have confidence in your abilities and most importantly choose your major based on what you love.



Elaina, a rising Spotsylvania County senior and Jonah, a rising Fairfax County senior launch their vessel for another test run as a part of the second annual weeklong Naval Surface Warfare Center Dahlgren Division (NSWCDD) Science and Engineering Apprenticeship Program (SEAP). The program provided the class of 22 students a week long immersion into the world of robotics, programming and other STEM based sciences.



Naval Surface Warfare Center Dahlgren Division (NSWCDD) hosted its second annual Science and Engineering Apprenticeship Program (SEAP) providing future scientist and engineers from around the state an opportunity to experience hands-on work with mentors at NSWCDD. The class of 22 students participated in a week long immersion into the world of robotics, programming and other STEM based sciences. Local students joined with others from Hampton Roads and Northern Virginia to build a robotic ship that was programmed to complete a course challenge in the Potomac River.

The most important major that you can take is one that you will love to do the rest of your life," said Jim Jensen, Electronics Engineer from NSWCDD Asymmetric Defense Systems Department. "If you have the passion for what you do, you're going to bring that here and you're going to be able to do things that no one else can."

'Don't focus on where the money is," Durant added. "Working for the government isn't going to get you rich, but that's not why we do what we do."

While the students definitely benefitted from the experience, it was clear that the mentors also walked away from the experience inspired and excited about their chosen career fields as

Stephen Voynar, a computer scientist from NSWCDD's Asymmetric Defense Systems Department, was grateful for the experience as a mentor.

'This was my first year mentoring. I was supposed

to take part last year but the scheduling just didn't work out," Voynar explained. "This year I made a point to block time out for the SEAP Extension program and it has been a very gratifying experience. I think the biggest take away I have from the experience is getting charged up about work again. It is so easy to fall into that rut of going to work and not ever seeing the end result of what we do. Here I got to be a mentor; not tell them what to do but to be there for them to bounce ideas off of, provide guidance and be a part of that start to finish success.

Voynar was especially impressed with how quickly the students were able to take the knowledge and skills they had acquired throughout the week and deploy them so successfully.

"To see them go from looking at a pile of parts bits of pipe and so forth just a few days ago to today with a working prototype and they've not had experience

in this or be exposed to this before is just amazing.'

Not only did the students experience the hands-on technical aspects of the STEM program, but they experienced the teamwork it takes to make a successful

project happen. 'It didn't take long for them to really figure out the interpersonal experience, too," Voynar shared. "Every member of the team had a role- no one was sitting on the sideline. Some of them were really nervous going into this, and now you talk to them and every one of the team members really know what they are doing.

'Our generation grew up with shows like Star Wars, Star Trek and Battlestar Galactica and an active NASA program to inspire us," Voynar continued. "Being able to pass that inspiration to the future generations is awesome. It's good to see we're making a difference

On Friday, the teams had their final launches and



Capt. Brian Durant, commanding officer of the Naval Surface Warfare Center Dahlgren **Division (NSWCDD)** fielded questions from the 22 students participating in the second annual Science and Engineering Apprenticeship Program following his presentation.

were able to see the fruits of their week-long process successfully perform the test at

Emily, a rising sophomore at the University of Mary Washington participated in the STEM program during high school and was eager to return this year as a junior mentor and a SEAP apprenticeship.

When we participated in STEM in high school we had so much fun building bottle rockets and towers out of balsa wood," she said. 'They told us when you're older you can be a part of this [SEAP Program] and I have definitely enjoyed being able to be a junior mentor as well as an intern.'

Emily is part of the summer-long internship and has worked in several departments at NSWCDD but her favorite has been her work with the Combined Integrated Air/Missile Defense Trainer and Anti-Submarine Warfare Trainers (CIAT). One of her mentors in that department, Victor DeJesus, summed up how the SEAP program benefits both the students and NSF Dahlgren,

'There has been a steep decline in students choosing to go into the STEM fields and I think 100% of that is attributed to how it's marketed," DeJesus said. "Two years ago the MIT grad class was 67% foreign students. That's significant. I think that's why the STEM and SEAP programming here at NSWCDD is so important. It introduces the students to the STEM sciences and their applications. STEM science [itself] boils down to abstractions. Abstractions are boring - they're not sexy, but when you give the students a practical application then those abstractions become a puzzle or something to solve. In any puzzle the first thing you need to do is the frame work. That's what this program is trying to do. Give them the framework to build on. Then they can go and start filling in the pieces."

This year's SEAP extension session hosted 22 students, up from last year's numbers. Arendt hopes that in the future the extension program can be a two week long program as well so that the students have an opportunity to go more in depth with the experience. While the current SEAP extension program is only a week long, it allows the students to experience the real world applications of the science and engineering careers that they are interested in. The course also provides the students access to mentors in the field who are able to offer perspective and insight that will guide them in their pursuit of higher education and perhaps the inspiration to be future scientist and engineers for the Department of Defense (DoD).



## Change: Aligning and Synchronizing the Surface Warfare Community

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a single surface warfare crossfleet organization responsible for theater through tactical level warfare mission areas.

"We are beginning a concerted upgrade in our tactical standards and expertise with the establishment of the Naval Surface and Mine Warfighting Development Center; we've needed this command for a long time." said Vice Adm. Thomas Rowden, commander, Naval Surface Forces Pacific. "What a great day this is for our surface Navy; I am committed to SMWDC's success as an essential means of improving our combat readiness".

This summer, the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) activated four Warfighting Development Centers to enhance fleet tactical readiness: the Expeditionary Warfighting Development Center (EXWDC) in Virginia Beach, Va., the Naval Aviation Warfighting Development Center (NAWDC) in Fallon, Nev., the Undersea Warfighting Development in Groton, Conn., and SWMDC in San Diego -- with detachments in Dahlgren and Little Creek, Va

"This has been a long time coming for our community," said Rear Adm. Jim Kilby, commander of SMWDC. "We're aligning the surface warfare community through synchronized tactics, doctrine, and training in air warfare, amphibious warfare, ballistic missile defense, mine warfare, surface warfare and anti-submarine warfare. I believe this effort will keep our focus on warfighting first."

Under the new merger, all previous NAMDC missions, functions, tasks, and personnel billets are transferred to SMWDC with no change or interruption to operations. The goal of this consolidation is to mitigate warfare gaps, support the operational commanders and ensure tactical excellence by design.

With the unification underway, SMWDCDD welcomed U. S. Navy Capt. Jim Jones, detachment director (officer in charge), who returned to Dahlgren after tours aboard USS Shiloh (CG-67) and at the Pentagon. Jones was previously a part of the establishment of NAMDC in 2009, where he served as the command's assistant chief of staff for operations and mission support.

"The standup of SMWDC really marks a new focus on improving tactical proficiency within the surface warfare community," said Jones. "A key part is going to be the Warfare Tactics Instructor



J.S. Navy photo by Daryl Roy, ATRC

Rear Adm. Peter Fanta (right), director, Surface Warfare (N96), and Rear Adm. James Kilby (left), commander, Naval Surface and Mine Warfighting Development Center (SMWDC), with graduates of SMWDC's Warfare Tactics Instructor (WTI) course in the AEGIS Training and Readiness Center's (ATRC) auditorium onboard Naval Support Facility (NSF) Dahlgren.

(WTI) program, mostly due to the synergy of having all these centers of excellence on the base. We're going to be able to build true IAMD warfighting professionals and [subject matter] experts. I'm excited about the challenges ahead."

Jones noted that the new emphasis on tactical proficiency will be especially important for the surface warfare community's future leaders. "Another great change is seeing how we're focusing on our junior officers and junior personnel," he said. "I think it's going to help build our pride and professionalism. It was good [before], but now it's going to be even better."

As a NAMDC plank owner, Jones is confident in the ability of SMWDCDD to carry out its new and vital mission. "I was gratified to see that many of the folks I worked with previously are still here," he said. "They are recognized experts and really bring a lot to the team. I've also been impressed with the new personnel; they bring in new ideas and experiences. I am fortunate to work with this great team again."

SMWDC is the single command responsible for the synchronized-tactical training of the surface warfare community in six mission areas: Amphibious Warfare (AMW), Air Warfare (AW), Ballistic Missile Defense (BMD), Mine Warfare (MIW), Missions of State (MOS), and Surface Warfare (SUW)/ Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW).

Supported by SURFOR, SWMDC will increase the tactical proficiency of the surface warfare community across all mission areas at the individual, unit, integrated and joint levels.

Modeled after NAWDC, more popularly known as 'Top Gun', SMWDC has four tactical focus areas: the development of WTIs -- highlytrained junior surface warfare officers serving as subject matter experts in AMW, IAMD, MIW and SUW/ASW; the creation and validation of warfare doctrine that is timed to meet the needs of the fleet; the creation of a Surface Warfare Combat Training Continuum (SWCTC), and finally, the implementation of a new underway training exercise called the Surface Warfare Advanced Tactical Training (SWATT), which will meet the readiness needs of individual ships post basic phase, and just before their integrated Composite Unit Training Exercise (COMPTUEX) prior to deployment.

"It's great for surface warfighters," said Jones. "The maritime threat is evolving and we are evolving our training and readiness to be ready for that threat, today and tomorrow -- where it matters, when it matters".

SMWDC headquarters was formally established June 2015 at Naval Base San Diego and is responsible for increasing the tactical proficiency of individual surface warfare communities through the creation of warfare doctrine, underway assessment exercises and Warfare Tactics Instructors.

NAMDC transitioned to SMWDC Detachment Dahlgren under the Office of the Chief of Naval Operation's Notice (OPNAV) 5400.

For more information on SMWDC, and SMWDC Detachment Dahlgren, visit http://www.public.navy.mil/surfor/nsmwdc or email SWO\_WTI @navy.mil for more information on Warfare Tactics Instructors.

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brizi has worked consistently with his director at NMCRS and NSF Dahlgren leadership to pave the way for the local NMCRS facility to be able to offer the QAL program at NSF Dahlgren.

"I started volunteering here in 2012 and a large majority of my case load was 18-25 year olds - young Sailors coming in from NSF Great Lakes," Tabrizi shared. "Often they just need a little bit of assistance to transition to NSF Dahlgren. At the time unfortunately, as an emergency service office only run completely by volunteers, we didn't have the capabilities to provide the QAL services here." Tabrizi shared.

Noting that NSF Dahlgren is considered a remote base, Tabrizi explained the difficulties the Sailors and Marines faced when trying to apply previously.

"As a remote base, the closest place for these Sailors to go was NAS Patuxent River, Washington Navy Yard or Quantico," he said. "Obviously, if they are seeking assistance, they don't have \$50 to spend in gas and \$6 in tolls to get to these facilities. It's been challenging, but finally here we are three years later. I am

definitely proud of today!"

"15 minutes," Tabrizi stated. "That's all the time it takes for a qualified Sailor or Marine to apply and get approval for a QAL. No questions asked, no judgment, it gets allotted throughout the year and they can do it up to twice a year. Depending on the situation, the allotment doesn't even start until they become stable; the key part is the loan is interest free."

To apply for a QAL, qualified service members need to bring their Active Duty ID card and most current end of the month Leave and Earning Statement (LES) to the NMCRS located at 6027 Schoolhouse Lane, Suite 208 on NSF Dahlgren. The facility is open to process requests on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8 a.m. until 11 a.m. and on Wednesdays from noon to 3 p.m.

QALs provide temporary assistance for unexpected financial hardships such as car repair, medical expenses, establishing a new residence (including security and utility deposits), or even paying for utilities, rent or home repairs. QALs can also provide funding through difficult times such as funeral expenses or military pay shortages or de-

Tabrizi shared his frustration with unscrupulous lenders who often charge over 25% interest on loans to unknowledgeable Sailors and Marines in times of need.

"One of the biggest heartaches I have is when we have young sailors who get scammed by predatory lenders. They go to these places without knowing we are there specifically for this purpose to provide interest free loans that they already qualify for.

'I had a service member a few years ago transferring over to NSF Dahlgren and it was a last minute move," Tabrizi continued. "They weren't able to process his advance pay for him to move so he thought a good idea would be to go out in town to one of these lenders. We met and he explained what he had done. I shared with him that that is what the NMCRS is here for - to assist with these types of situations. I called the lending company to explain about NMCRS and how we provide these interest free loans and could we void this young Sailor's contract now that he is educated and understands that we are here for that purpose.

Unfortunately for that young sailor, the unscrupulous company still charged him \$800 to process three pieces of paperwork even though the repayment process hadn't even begun yet.

"This is why we are here, to provide services to prevent this type of thing from happening to our Sailors and Marines," Tabrizi said. He was also quick to add that volunteers are always welcome and needed at NSF Dahlgren NMCRS location.

"We provide extensive training with lunch, and child care reimbursement is also available for potential volunteers. Our offices can't exist without the assistance of supportive volunteers," Tabrizi stated

Melodie Weddle, director for NMCRS Washington Navy Yard was also pleased that the organization will now be able to provide QAL's on NSF Dahlgren,

"This is a great transition for our office in Dahlgren. Adding Quick Assist Loans to all the other services in this remote area is only going strengthen the readiness of our service members stationed both on the base, in the schoolhouse and the commands in the surrounding area," Weddle said.

In 2014, the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society provided more than 43,000 QALs to active duty Sailors and Marines. Locally, the NMCRS has provided a little over \$60,000 in QAL and traditional casework loans and grants. Those funds represent donations from both active duty and retired Sailors and Marines. All of the monies donated to the NMCRS go directly to funding no-interest loans, grants and

services provided to active duty Sailors and Marines.

"We have a reserve fund that pays for salaries and administrative costs, and is also the fall back for the loans and grants. The last four or five years, however, we have had to pull from the principle to pay for the loans and grants," Weddle said.

In addition to QAL's, the NMCRS provides other financial services such as budget assistance when preparing for baby, financial counseling, emergency travel and disaster relief.

Often times, young Sailors and their dependents have never had the opportunity to benefit from good financial education or advice. The NMCRS provides the education and sound financial advice that can keep Sailors and Marines as well as retirees from encountering financial woes. Weddle explained how the QAL program often is the first thing that brings a Sailor or Marine to their offices and leads them to participating in the other programs offered.

"When Sailors and Marines think of QAL they think of NMCRS, and once they get in they realize all of the other services that we offer to them." Weddle said. "It's important because if that \$500 loan doesn't fix their problem, then let's not just put a bandaid on this, let's find out what

the issue is and take care of it!"

While NSF Indian Head's NMCRS office is currently closed, they are actively seeking a volunteer there as well to start the program up again to benefit the Sailors, Marines and their dependents.

"We would really love to find someone to be able to reopen the Indian Head office. It would be a great opportunity for spouses and dependents to assist their local community in a much needed service," said Weddle.

If you need financial assistance or advice on NSF Dahlgren, help is as easy as visiting the Fleet and Family Support Center or calling the NMCRS Duty Cell, 540-845-1757.

If you would like to contribute financially to support the program, you may visit the Navy Marine Corps Relief Society website at www.nmcrs. org and chose the donate button to make an online contribution. You can make either a one-time donation or a recurring donation via the website, or you may choose to participate each March during their active duty fund drive. Along with the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) program, NMCRS is the only other charity that can be deducted from active duty payroll. However you chose to support the program, it is clear that the NMCRS QAL program is serving NSASP in a big way!

## **Base Happenings**

## Dahlgren Daily Bread Moves to Chapel Annex

The Daily Bread Giveaway Program previously held at the USO building has moved to the Chapel Annex every Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the foyer. A variety of breads, rolls, cakes, pies and cookies are available for free to those in need. For more information on the program contact RP2 Harrelson in the Chapel offices at 653-8297.

#### **Second Tour Thrift Store**

The Second Tour Thrift Store is open for your back-to-school shopping! The store is open Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

#### **NSASP Navy Ball**

The NSASP Navy Ball, celebrating the Navy's 240th birthday, will be held Fri., Oct. 2 from 6 p.m. - midnight at Fredericksburg Square, 525 Caroline St. in Fredericksburg, Va. Event will include dinner, dancing, and all of the traditions honoring the Navy's birthday. Tickets are available at www.navyball.org, or by emailing navyballnsasp@gmail.com.

## Indian Head Indian Head 125th Anniversary Celebration

Come and celebrate NSF Indian Head's 125th anniversary at a family festival on Sat., Sept. 26 at the Indian Head Village Green Pavilion. Event will be held from noon - 6 p.m. and include live music from the Navy Band Commodores and local favorites The Sam Grow Band, historic displays and STEM demonstrations, children's inflatables and activities, food vendors, a reunion of former base employees and more! This event is free and open to the public. Attendees with base access will be allowed to park on base near the Navy Exchange/NSLC and walk to venue. For more info, call (866) 359-5540.

#### "Treasures" Thrift Store Donations

"Treasures" is open on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The store is located at 12 Strauss Ave. next door to the USO. Donations of gently used items are currently being accepted.

#### Barbeque truck at IH, Stump Neck

Enjoy delicious T&J Barbeque at NSF Indian Head on Wednesdays and Thursdays, from approximately 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., next to the library, and at the NSF Indian Head Stump Neck Annex on Tuesday, from approximately 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., next to Building 2195.

To publish information on your event or program under "Base Happenings," contact Andrew Revelos at 540-653-6012 or email andrew.revelos1@navy.mil

## Dahlgren Museum Event Venue Change

"World War II Ends: Dahlgren Tests Validate New Atomic Capability" is the theme of a community forum sponsored by the Dahlgren Heritage Foundation on August 11.

The event will now be hosted by the University of Mary Washington's Dahlgren Campus, Center for Education and Research, in King George. The community forum will be open to the public and offered at no charge. The event will begin at 4:30 p.m. with an informal reception and the program will begin at 5 p.m. UMW's Dahlgren Campus is located at 4224 University Dr., King George, Va.

The Dahlgren Heritage Foundation is targeting 2015

as a year-long opportunity to observe the 70th anniversary of the end of World War II through the lens of the innovations and technology developed and tested by the U.S. Navy at Dahlgren, Va. that helped determine the outcome of that war and continue to be critical to the tactical and strategic capabilities to U.S. armed services today and into the future. The centerpiece of this year-long commemoration is a series of quarterly community forums.

Vice Adm. William Hilarides, commander for Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) in Washington, D.C., is the featured guest speaker for the August 11 forum. Hilarides oversees

a global workforce of more than 56,000 military and civilian personnel responsible for the development, delivery and maintenance of the Navy's ships, submarines and systems.

The forum will also feature a guest panel discussion that will include Dr. James Colvard, a former technical director for the Naval Surface Warfare Center at Dahlgren and former special assistant to the Secretary of the Navy, and Chris Kolakowski, director of The MacArthur Memorial in Norfolk, Va. The panel will be moderated by Ed Jones, president of the Dahlgren Heritage Foundation.

While there is no charge to attend, registration is

strongly encouraged and may be completed on line at www.eventbrite.com (search for Dahlgren Community Forum) or from the Dahlgren Heritage Museum's Facebook site https://www.facebook.com/pages/Dahlgren-Heritage-Museum/218635358172762.

The goal of the Foundation is to generate a public understanding of the impact the U.S. Navy base at Dahlgren and the surrounding community has had in using science and technology to strengthen national defense, particularly through support for warfighters.

To learn more about Dahlgren Heritage Museum, visit www.dahlgrenmuseum.org.

## Trace Adkins Concert Tickets Available Aug. 11

If you were not able to get tickets for the Trace Adkins concert scheduled for Saturday, October 10, don't worry - a few more tickets will be available soon. Starting August 11, tickets will be available online by visiting www. freedomlivendw.com. Pa-

trons will be limited to two tickets per person and no promo code will be needed.

Adkins will play at the NSF Dahlgren Parade Field. The show will be opened by local performers the Virginians and the Smith and Auer Band at 7

p.m. Each vehicle entering the base for the concert must have at least one DoD ID card holder and all others 16 and older must present a valid form of identification. All attendees must have a ticket to gain access to the concert. No alco-

hol, weapons, coolers, pets or outside food and drinks will be allowed. A variety of food and drinks will be available for sale at the concert. For more information, contact the NSASP Public Affairs Office, (866) 359-5540.

## This Week in Navy History

#### Aug. 8, 1959

Announcement of Project Teepee, electronic system to monitor 95 percent of earth's atmosphere for missile launchings or nuclear explosions. System developed by William Thaler, Office of Naval Research physicist.

#### Aug. 9, 1949

First use of pilot-ejection seat for emergency escape in U.S. made by Lt. Jack I. Fruin of VF-171 near Walterboro.

#### Aug. 10, 1921

General Order establishes the Bureau of Aeronautics under RADM William Moffett.

#### Aug. 11, 1877

Professor Asaph Hall of Naval Observatory discovers first of two satellites of Mars. He found the second one within a week.

#### Aug. 12, 1942

USS Cleveland (CL-55) demonstrates effectiveness of radio-proximity fuze (VT-fuze) against aircraft by successfully destroying 3 drones with proximity bursts fired by her five inch guns.

#### Aug. 13, 1777

American explosive device made by David Bushnell explodes near British vessel off New London, Conn.

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The Naval Air material Center conducting ejection-seat tests at El Centro, California using a Navy JD-1 (B-26) light bomber fitted with an open cockpit aft of the wing. The Navy required that the ejection seats in its aircraft be based on the Martin-Baker design.

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#### **Cardboard Boat Regatta**

August 15, 5 - 7 p.m.

Is your boat seaworthy? Come out and race it against other boats in your category! Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each division. Overall awards will be given for most artistic, most likely to be marooned and most durable. Divisions will include family (at least one adult), all military, chief selectees and kids (no adults). Boats are to be constructed with cardboard, plastic sheeting and duct tape only. Racers will complete two laps (down and back) in 25 yard pool and kid's division will compete one lap. Children will be required to wear a life vest. The Aquatics Center has a limited supply to be used. Participants must provide their own paddles. Please register at the Aquatics Center by August 10. Cost: FREE.

#### **Junior Lifeguard Program**

August 17-20, 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Eligible patrons include all children, ages 10 - 14, with base access.

Find out if you have what it takes to be a lifeguard! Learn basic lifeguard skills and shadow guards while they work. Be prepared to swim every day. Register now! There is a class participant minimum of 3 and a maximum of 10. Cost: \$150. Please register at the Aquatics Center by August 12.

Child & Youth CDC 540-653-4994 YAC 540-653-8009

#### **Give Parents a Break**

Location: Child Development Center

Eligible patrons include all children 6 weeks to 5 years of age (not in kindergarten). The CDC is offering extended hourly care scheduled for the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month and the 2nd Saturday of each month. This care is free with a respite care referral and \$4/hour for all other eligible patrons. Please call the center for more information and to register.

## Craftech 540-653-1730

#### **Creative Classes at Craftech**

Fill your home with new décor that you create yourself! Craftech offers classes for framing and matting, stained glass, wax and watercolor and wreath making! Craftech can also personalize just about anything for you! They have a brand new embroidery machine. Stop in today and see what they can do for you!

## Fitness Center

#### **Fall Intramural Sports**

Eligible patrons include all with base access and invited guests. Join us for fall league organizational meetings! League cost: Active Duty - FREE; Retiree/Active-Duty Dependents - \$15; DoD Civilians - \$30; Contractors/Off-Base Civilians - \$40.

Wednesday, August 5 - Soccer Meeting at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, August 12 - Softball Meeting at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, August 19 - Flag Football Meeting at 11:30

#### **NSF Dahlgren Tactical Decathlon**

August 10-14, 6 a.m. - 5 p.m. Location: Dahlgren Fitness Center Eligible patrons include all with base access. Athletes will compete in 10 tactical athletic events testing their overall fitness level. Events include: 500-meter row, 300-yard sandbag shuttle, 1.5-mile run, 50 yard tire flip, burpee/swing challenge, 25-yard sled push, ammo can push press (max reps) farmers walk, pull-ups (max reps) and TRX atomic push-up (max reps). T-shirts will be given to the top 10 male and female finishers. Register at the Fitness Center Cost: FREE.

#### Pump-N-Run

August 19, 11 a.m.

Location: Dahlgren Fitness Center Eligible to all with base access.

Join the Dahlgren Fitness Center for the annual Pump-N-Run 1.5M event! Total time will be calculated by subtracting 15 seconds from the 1.5 mile run for each time a competitor lifts a percentage of his/her body weight.

Percentage of body weight to chest press: (Ages15-29) Men 100%, Women 70% (Ages 30-39) Men 90%, Women 60% (Ages 40-49) Men 80%, Women 50% (Ages 50 and over) Men 70%, Women 40%

Awards will be given for: overall male and female finishers, overall male and female active-duty military, and most reps by male and female participants. Please register by Tuesday, August 18 at the Dahlgren Fitness Center. Cost: \$5.

## General Library

#### **Paws for Reading**

August 11, 3:45 - 5 p.m.

Curl up with a furry friend and read them a story! The General Library will hold Paws for Reading the second Tuesday of every month and give young readers the opportunity to read to their four legged companion. Reading to a pet can help build confidence in young readers. Please register by June 8th to schedule your 15 minute session. Cost: FREE.

#### **Outdoor Movie Night**

August 13, 7:30 p.m.

Join us on the front lawn for popcorn and a free outdoor movie! We will be showing Avengers: Age of Ultron.

#### **Mommy and Me Tea Party**

August 22, 11 a.m.

Enjoy our professional face painter and balloon artist with a morning of mother-child bonding time, over tea and crafts! Cost: FREE.

## *ITT* 540-653-8785

#### **Six Flags Military/DoD Appreciation Day Picnic**

August 25

Enjoy all-you-can-eat picnic from noon to 2 p.m., free parking, free dessert, DJ music and a free private Military/DoD water park party from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Cost: \$39.95, which is a \$100 value! Get your tickets at sixflags.com/America and enter promo code MILITARY0198.

#### Liberty Center 540-653-7277

The Liberty Center and all activities are for Liberty Center Patrons Only: E1-E6 Single/Unaccompanied Active Duty Military.

#### **Flicks Friday**

Come out and watch any movie from our collection. Drinks and popcorn are on us! Cost: FREE.

#### **Fire Pit Fun**

August 8 & 15, 7 p.m.

Bring your guitar or enjoy the music. The Liberty Center will provide chairs, roasting forks, s'mores, hotdogs and drinks. Cost: FREE.

#### **Maryland International Raceway Trip**

August 22

Join Liberty for a trip to the raceway. This is a Young Guns Showdown - Battle of the Juniors. Register at the Liberty Center by August 12th



#### 540-653-7336

Civilians - \$5; AD, Retired, Reserve, Family Members (E7 - above) \$4; AD, Reserve, Family Members (E6 - below) - \$2.50; Child (6-11) - \$2; Child (5 and under) - Free; Tickets for a movie shown in 3-D are an additional \$1

Friday, August 7th, 7 p.m. Terminator: Genisys, PG-13

Saturday, August 8th, 4 p.m.

Magic Mike - FREE ADMISSION, R Saturday, August 8th, 7 p.m.

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Friday, August 14th 12 p.m.,

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Journey to the Center of the Earth FREE ADMISSION, PG

Friday, August 14th 3:30 p.m.

Journey 2: Mysterious Island FREE, PG

Friday, August 14th, 7 p.m.,

Max, PG

Saturday, August 15th, 4 p.m.

The LEGO Movie - FREE ADMISSION, PG

Saturday, August 15th, 7 p.m. Self/Less, PG-13



General Library 301-744-4623

#### Storytime at the Library

August 11 & 25, 10:30 a.m. Join us at the library every for a story and a craft.

## Stars & Strikes Bowling Center

#### **Open Bowling**

Every Friday and Saturday from 5 - 10 p.m. Cost: Military, \$2/game and \$1 shoe rental; Civilian, \$3/game and \$1 shoe rental.

## Weight House Fitness Center

#### **Sprint Triathlon**

August 7, 7 a.m.

Complete a 400-meter swim, 12-mile bike ride and a 2.8-mile run. Register at the Weight House Fitness Center by July 31st. Cost: Military, \$15; All Others, \$25.

#### 8-on-8 Flag Football League

August 1

Round robin regular season followed by a double-elimination championship tournament. Games will be scheduled Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 5:30, 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. at Ben Rand Field. Mandatory coaches meeting Thursday, July 30, at 4:30 p.m. Register at the Weight House Fitness Center front desk by Monday, July 27, 2015. Must be a minimum of four teams registered. Open to all with base access, 18 years and older.

## Community Notes

#### Dahlgren

#### Fredericksburg Agricultural Fair

July 31 - Aug. 9. Founded in 1738, Fredericksburg Agricultural Fair is the oldest fair in the United States. Join us in celebrating traditional fair events, contests, entertainment, food and fun for the whole family! Saturday, August 1 is "Military Appreciation Day" - Any active, inactive or retired service person with valid military ID will receive one complimentary daily admission ticket valid on Saturday, August 1 only. For more information or to purchase tickets visit http://www.fredericksburgfair.org/.

#### **Caledon Sunset Kayak Trips**

Enjoy a sunset paddle on the lower Potomac River with a chance to view bald eagles, herons and other wildlife as they search for food along our shore. 6:30 p.m. Solo paddlers must be at least 16 if accompanied by an adult in another boat or 18 if unaccompanied.

\$19/solo \$25/tandem kayak. Space is limited to 14 paddlers/trip Reservations Required. 8/14, 8/15, 8/21.

#### **Full Moon Kayak Trips**

Enjoy a moonlight paddle on the lower Potomac River with a chance to view wildlife as they search for food along our shore. 7:30 p.m. Solo paddlers must be at least 16 if accompanied by an adult in another boat or 18 if unaccompanied.

\$19/solo \$25/tandem kayak. Space is limited to 14 paddlers/trip Reservations Required. 8/28, 8/29, 8/30, 8/1.

#### **Virginia Back to School Sales Tax-Free Weekend**

The three day sales tax free weekend starts on Friday August 7th and runs through Sunday August 9. Back to school supplies, some clothing and footwear under \$100 as well as energy and water star rated appliances will qualify for tax free status. For more information on the tax free weekend and what items qualify visit: http://www. tax.virginia.gov/content/sales-tax-holiday

#### The Ride to Conquer Cancer D.C.

Register now for the 2015 Ride to Conquer Cancer benefiting John Hopkins Kimmel Cancer Center, Sibley Memorial, Suburban and Howard County General Hospitals. The ride is a 2 day 150 mile bike ride that will be held Sept. 19-20 in Washington, D.C.. For more information, visit http://dc15.ridetovictory.org/site/PageServer?pagename=dc15\_ aboutevent, or call (202)601-8689.

#### **Caledon State Park Geocaching 101**

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#### Indian Head

#### **Shop Maryland Tax-Free Week**

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and you don't want to miss the tax-free week! The second Sunday of August to the following Saturday is designated as Shop Maryland tax-free week and this year that will be Sunday, August 9 - Saturday, August 15. The Shop Maryland Tax-Free Week means qualifying apparel and footwear \$100 or less per item, is exempt from the state sales tax. Accessory items are not included in that tax free status. For more information check out the Maryland Comptroller's Office at: http://comptroller.marylandtaxes. com/Public\_Services/Agency\_Information/ Office\_of\_the\_Comptroller/Comptroller\_ Initiatives/Shop\_Maryland\_Tax-free\_Week/

#### **Kid's Summer Show Featuring** Reggie Rice - The SuperMagicMan!

La Plata Town Hall will continue its Kid's Summer Show on August 18th with Reggie Rice, aka The SuperMagicMan! A three-time D.C. Comedy Magician of the Year, Rice has appeared on Travel Channel and performed for First Lady Michelle Obama for the last three years at Children National Medical Center. The show will begin at 10 A.M. The shows are geared towards preschool and elementary age children and are approximately 45 minutes long. The shows are free and open to the public. Shows will be held outdoors on the West lawn where the Friday night concerts take place (weather permitting - shows will not be moved indoors). Attendees are encouraged to bring blankets and lawn chairs for sitting. No concessions will be available, but you are welcome to bring drinks and snacks along.

#### **Charles County Dept. of Public Works Fall Adult Softball Registration**

The Charles County Department of Public Works is accepting registrations for the upcoming Fall Adult Softball League through Friday, Aug. 7. League play will start the week of Aug. 28 at Laurel Springs Park (5940 Radio Station Road, La Plata) and White Plains Park (1015 St. Charles Parkway, White Plains. Teams may register at the Department of Public Works (1001 Radio Station Road, La Plata) weekdays between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. For more information, interested teams should call 301-932-3470 or 301-870-2778 weekdays between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., or visit www. CharlesCountyParks.com. Citizens with special needs may contact the Maryland Relay Service at 711, or Relay Service TDD: 800-735-2258.

#### **257th Army Band at Summer Concert Series August 8th**

The Summer Concert Series continues at the La Plata Town Hall from 7 P.M. to 9 P.M with the 257th Army Band, "The Band of the Nation's Capital" will be performing their show entitled "It's All Entertainment!" - music from the stage, the screen, and the ring. Bring a blanket, chairs and coolers but no alcohol is permitted. Concessions and an Ice Cream Truck will also be available as well as a play area for the kids allowing parents to keep an eye on the kids while enjoying the concert. Visit www.townoflaplata. org for a complete summer line up. Concert season runs through Sept. 22.

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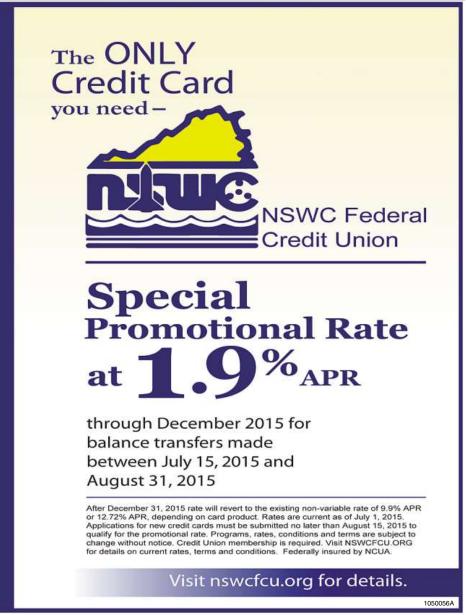




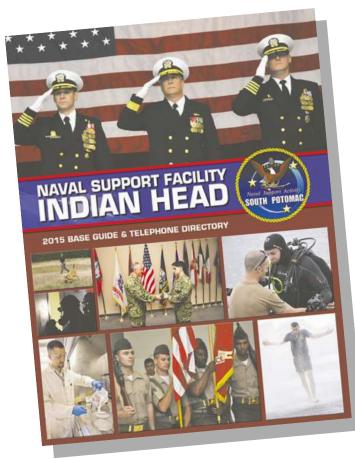


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