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Fitness center on schedule for spring completion

By Zack Shelby
NSASP Public Affairs

The project bringing a new physical fitness center to Naval Support Facility Dahlgren remains on schedule for completion by spring. A groundbreaking ceremony was held in April making the fitness center about a year-long project from beginning to end.

The new digs will feature 31,525 square feet of space, as opposed to the current fitness center's 23,152 square feet. The current facility will be demolished when the new center is ready for operation, according to Ira Seth, NSF Dahlgren fitness director. The current cen-

ter, built in 1942 will soon give way to its roomier \$9.9 million, state-of-the-art replacement.

"I'm excited about the increase in square footage which will allow for more functional space," Seth said. "The new fitness center will have two olympic platforms."

The larger facility will have 100 new parking spaces. Inside the new gym, patrons will enjoy more cardiovascular equipment including 10 treadmills, 12 cross trainers, 10 bikes, two rowers and a step mill, Seth said.

Other features will include a dividable command physical training

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U.S. Navy photo by Zack Shelby

Naval Support Facility Dahlgren's new, state-of-the-art gym is nearing its spring opening date. The facility will offer Dahlgren personnel and their families a much-improved workout space.

CNO: Here's what we need for the future force

By David Smalley,
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Research Public
Affairs

Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Adm. Jonathan Greenert outlined his thoughts Feb. 4 on three science and technology objectives for the Navy and Marine Corps of the future, at the Naval Future Force Science and Technology (S&T) EXPO in Washington, D.C.

Speaking before nearly 3,000 attendees from across government, academia and industry, Greenert charged his audience to reduce reliance on gunpowder; increase stamina for underwater unmanned vehicles' power and propulsion systems; and increase focus on cybersecurity.

"Number one, you've got to get us off gunpowder," said Greenert, noting that Office of Naval Research-supported weapon programs like Laser Weapon System (LaWS) and the Electromagnetic Railgun are vital to the future force. "We will have an incredibly deep magazine when we bring [those weapons] in."

Weapons like LaWS have a virtually unlimited magazine, only constrained by

power and cooling capabilities onboard the vessel carrying them. In addition, Greenert noted the added safety for Sailors and Marines that will come from reducing dependency on gunpowder-based munitions.

"Probably the biggest vulnerability of a ship is its magazine, because that's where all the explosives are," he said.

He also cited the tremendous cost savings offered by, for instance, laser weapons fired at a dollar per shot, or low-cost Electromagnetic Railgun projectiles, versus needing to rely on million-dollar missiles, in some cases without the same range, for all threats and missions.

Greenert's second challenge for the S&T community is to develop "greater stamina" in unmanned underwater vehicle propulsion systems, to maintain naval dominance in the undersea domain.

"I need them compact and reliable in their power and propulsion, but I also need them safe," he said.

And, as the Ohio-class submarines near replacement age, Greenert noted that increased range and endurance for unmanned systems will be vital for the future fleet with the overall



U.S. Navy photo by John F. Williams

Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Adm. Jonathan Greenert, speaks during the Naval Future Force Science and Technology (S&T) EXPO. The EXPO provides broad access to Office of Naval Research (ONR) research, people and opportunities, and helps participants explore new ideas while also learning how to work with ONR.

number of submarines projected to decrease.

Greenert's final S&T objective centers on cybersecurity, which he said is something that keeps him up at night.

"I need you to lock your IT doors," he told the EXPO attendees. "You do it at home, and you need to keep that mindset at work."

"Cybersecurity is a key requirement for all our systems and weapons."

He encouraged scientists and engineers to include se-

curity in the initial design of everything they do, rather than trying to add security measures later.

The CNO also discussed the history of game-changing technologies that have come from the Naval S&T community, including GPS, advanced radar and quiet propulsion capabilities. He continued on to say, "we continue to rely on you."

The host of the EXPO, Chief of Naval Research Rear Adm. Mat Winter, introduced the CNO and spoke

about the importance of Naval S&T research for the future force-including the essential partnerships between the Naval Research Enterprise, academia and industry.

The Naval Future Force Science and Technology EXPO is the Navy's premier science and technology event, showcasing some of the latest cutting-edge research being undertaken by the Office of Naval Research. It brings together thousands of participants to learn and share ideas on technologies that can help support the warfighter of today and tomorrow.

ONR provides the science and technology necessary to maintain the Navy and Marine Corps' technological advantage. Through its affiliates, ONR is a leader in science and technology with engagement in 50 states, 70 countries, 1,035 institutions of higher learning and 914 industry partners. ONR employs more than 1,000 people, comprising uniformed, civilian and contract personnel, with additional employees at the Naval Research Lab in Washington, D.C.

For more news from Office of Naval Research, visit www.navy.mil/local/onr/.

Dahlgren Library hosts painting fun for everyone



Photos courtesy of Laura Ludwig

The Naval Support Facility Dahlgren General Library hosted a Half Day, Craft Day event on Friday, Feb. 13. The Half Day, Craft Day events correspond with the school schedules at Dahlgren School and King George County Public Schools. This particular date included the children at the Dahlgren School. Children were encouraged to head over to the library after school for a snack and painting fun. They learned about impressionism, while learning to paint a Monet inspired landscape. The next Half Day, Craft Day event will be held on April 3rd and will include a free movie at the Dahlgren Theater at 1 p.m.!



Learning and development roadmaps now instantly updatable

By Lt. j.g. Michael Hathaway
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Naval Education and Training Command (NETC) announced Feb. 10 that the Navy's comprehensive enlisted career guides, Learning and Development Roadmaps (LaDR), have transitioned to a Web application that is easily-accessed and instantly updatable.

Available through Navy Knowledge Online (NKO) and Navy Credentialing Opportunities On-Line (Navy COOL), LaDRs are a vital tool that help guide enlisted Sailors throughout their career advancement, and are available for all enlisted ratings and paygrades.

"The LaDRs effectively provide Sailors and their leadership a guide that displays in one location all of their current and projected enlisted training and education requirements as they advance," said

Richard Nein, NETC LaDR program analyst. "The LaDRs also include suggested certifications, apprenticeships and educational opportunities that can help with job performance and advancement."

Previously, LaDRs were static .pdf documents reviewed and updated annually, drawing from revisions and modifications submitted to NETC by 13 separate learning centers and three training support centers throughout the Navy.

By using the newly-launched application, the learning centers are able to review and directly update the LaDRs as needed for their specific ratings and the changes are reflected and available to Sailors immediately. LaDRs support a career-long learning continuum, helping Sailors prepare for their role in the fleet.

"LaDR accuracy and standardization are now greatly improved," said Tom Smith, NETC Enlisted Professional Military Program coordinator. "We've added a sample

career path to all LaDRs; a short document developed by detailers and community managers that outlines the ideal career for a Sailor to follow in their given rate, to include tours, education, and assignments. It's a valuable tool for a senior and a subordinate to have a discussion about that person's career. It gives a junior Sailor a career path to follow."

Master Chief Navy Counselor James Brady, Command Career Counselor for the aircraft carrier USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76), is a strong believer that LaDRs are tools that can significantly help a Sailor's career navigation.

"LaDRs play a vital role in a Sailor's career right from the start," explained Brady. "We as command career counselors should ensure that every Sailor gets a detailed explanation of how to utilize this valuable tool throughout their time in the Navy. Not only will it make them a better Sailor, but it will also prepare them for the private sector,

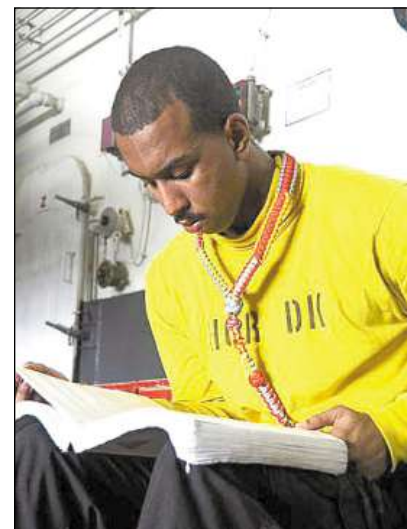
college, and life itself. It is highly stressed the LaDR be reviewed regularly by the Sailor and referenced by the chain of command during Career Development Boards."

Air-Traffic Controller 2nd Class Michelle Coleman plans to make master chief one day.

"I like that the LaDR shows you where you need to be for the next pay grade," said Coleman. "It's a lot of valuable information, including online courses, a degree plan, and shipboard qualifications. Also, the recommended readings and leadership courses are appreciated."

For more information about LaDRs, visit Navy Knowledge Online: www.nko.navy.mil. For more information about Navy Credentialing Opportunities On-Line, visit www.cool.navy.mil

For more information about the Naval Education and Training Command, visit <https://www.netc.navy.mil/> and www.navy.mil/local/cnet/.



U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Lorelei Vander Griend

Aviation Boatswain's Mate (Handling) 3rd Class James Carson, from Ozark, Ala., studies for the upcoming advancement exam aboard the aircraft carrier USS George H.W. Bush (CVN 77).

Ready Now. Anytime, anywhere

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In 2015 the U.S. Navy Reserve will be 100 years old. Designed to “deliver strategic depth and operational capability to the Navy, Marine Corps, and Joint Forces in times of peace or war”, the Navy Reserve has provided support in areas from healthcare to special warfare and everything in between.

First created in response to the outbreak of World War I, and through the efforts of then Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels and his assistant, Franklin D. Roosevelt, legislation for the creation of the Naval Reserve Force was passed on March 3, 1915. Since that time, reservists have served in every major war in which the United States has fought.

As of December 2014, 107,687 reservists were serving as either the Selected Reserve (SELRES), or Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) Sailors, providing vital naval warfighting and operational capabilities in myriad roles. SELRES, the largest and most relied upon of the Ready Reserve, consists of drilling reservists and Full-Time Support (FTS) reservists. Drilling reservists are

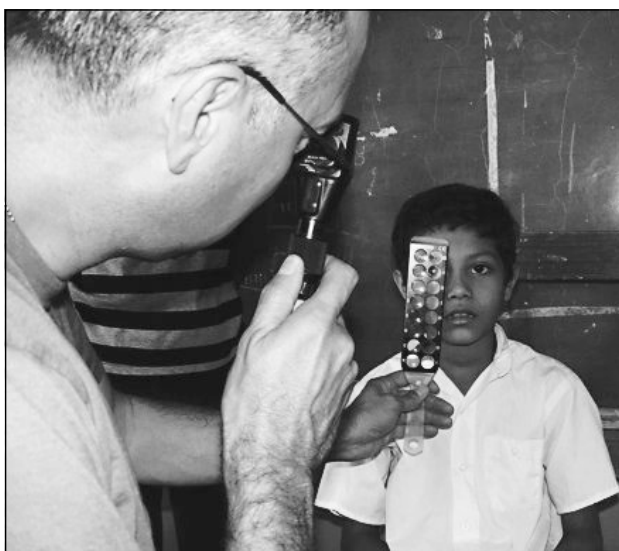
reservists who typically fulfill a service commitment of one weekend a month and two weeks a year of drilling and training. They are available for recall to active duty status and represent the Navy’s primary source of immediate manpower.

FTS reservists serve full-time active duty service relating to the training and administration of the Navy Reserve program. They are assigned to shore installations or operational units.

IRR reservists are composed of former active duty or reserve military personnel. Though they typically receive no pay and are not obligated to drill, conduct annual training, or participate in any military activities, IRR personnel retain their status as uniformed military personnel. They retain their military specialty (i.e. rate) and rank, and receive benefits like entitlement to a military ID card, or NEX and commissary benefits.

Today, reservists assigned to Navy Region Europe, Africa, Southwest Asia (CNREURAFSWA) contribute and help drive the command’s mission to provide efficient and effective shore service support to U.S. and allied forces in the Europe, Africa and Southwest Asia area of responsibility.

Approximately 400 reservists from 20 different units spread throughout



U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Ron Kuzlik

CAIRO, Honduras (April 2, 2009) Navy optometrist Cmdr. Louis Perez uses a retina scope and lens rack to check the eyes of 9-year old Sergio Colochos during the Beyond the Horizon humanitarian assistance exercise in Honduras. Reserve component doctors, nurses, and hospital corpsmen from Operational Hospital Support Unit, Dallas are providing medical services to six different Honduran villages during the two weeks exercise.

the United States are assigned to CNREURAFSWA. Separated into boat support units (BSU), naval security force (NSF) units and regional units, the reserve unit locations stretch as far west as Las Vegas to as far east as Long Island, New York, as far south as Corpus Christi, Texas to as far north as Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Reservists from these Navy Operational Support

Centers (NOSC) are assigned to all the installations that comprise CNREURAFSWA, with the exception of Camp Lemonnier, Djibouti (CLDJ) and Naval Support Facility (NSF) Deveselu, Romania, which has not been officially commissioned.

“The NSF units are security units, mostly made up of master-at-arms,” explained Regional Operational Support Officer Lt.

Cmdr. Micah Weller. “They are dedicated units that can be brought in if there was an increase in the force protection condition (FPCON) level. The BSUs focus on port and air operations, so that would mean boatswain’s mates, operations specialists, aviation boatswain’s mates (handling), aviation boatswain’s mates (fuels) for example. They also provide Department of Defense (DOD) firefighters and our Regional Operations Center (ROC) is augmented from those units.”

These service members are essential to the CNREURAFSWA mission. The ROC unit’s mission is emergency response and watch standing, as well as conducting the exercises necessary to ensure base personnel are prepared in case of an emergency.

Weller added that the Operational Support Office does a good job of certifying that the focus is on finding those billets that aren’t manned or locating areas where a command needs support and finding the right reservist or reservists to step in and provide that support and expertise.

Most importantly, though, he says due to the training they receive both from the military and from the civilian sector, reservists arrive ready to contribute.

“The training prepares them to be that support,”

Weller said. “For example, master-at-arms conduct all their gun training in the states, so they arrive prepared to augment and support immediately. However, reservists bring a unique set of added skills gained from their civilian jobs. For example, an information systems technician will have his training from the Navy, but after he transferred to the reserves, maybe he worked at a place like Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR) and gained this whole different perspective and set of skills.”

On any particular day, 25 percent of the Navy Reserve is delivering global operational support to the fleet and combat forces. The unique perspective and extensive training has and continues to make them an essential element of the U.S. Navy. On March 3, when the organization celebrates 100 years of dedicated service and sacrifice, reservists can be proud of their heritage and that they carry on a legacy of service with distinction both during peacetime and in times of war, and that they contribute significantly to the Navy’s overall mission to maintain, train and equip forces capable of winning wars, deterring acts of aggression and engendering and sustaining freedom of the seas.

Troops to receive millions under Service Members Civil Relief Act

The Justice Department announced Feb. 9 that under its settlements with five of the nation’s largest mortgage servicers, 952 service members and their co-borrowers are eligible to receive more than \$123 million for non-judicial foreclosures that violated the Service Members Civil Relief Act.

The five mortgage servicers are JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A.; Wells Fargo Bank N.A. and Wells Fargo & Co.; Citi Residential Lending Inc., Citibank, NA and CitiMortgage Inc.; GMAC Mortgage, LLC, Ally Financial Inc. and Residential Capital LLC; and BAC Home Loans Servicing LP formerly known as Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP (Bank of America).

In the first round of payments under the SCRA portion of the 2012 settlement known as the National Mortgage Settlement, 666 service mem-

bers and their co-borrowers will receive more than \$88 million from JP Morgan Chase, Wells Fargo, Citi and GMAC Mortgage. The other 286 service members and their co-borrowers already have received more than \$35 million from Bank of America through an earlier settlement. The non-judicial foreclosures at issue took place between Jan. 1, 2006, and Apr. 4, 2012.

Unlawful Foreclosures

“These unlawful judicial foreclosures forced hundreds of service members and their families out of their homes,” said Acting Associate Attorney General Stuart F. Delery. “While this compensation will provide a measure of relief, the fact is that service members should never have to worry about losing their home to an illegal foreclosure while they are serving our country. The department will con-

tinue to actively protect our service members and their families from such unjust actions.”

“We are very pleased that the men and women of the armed forces who were subjected to unlawful non-judicial foreclosures while they were serving our country are now receiving compensation,” said Acting Assistant Attorney General Vanita Gupta of the Civil Rights Division. “We look forward, in the coming months, to facilitating the compensation of additional service members who were subjected to unlawful judicial foreclosures or excess interest charges. We appreciate that JP Morgan Chase, Wells Fargo, Citi, GMAC Mortgage and Bank of America have been working cooperatively with the Justice Department to compensate the service members whose rights were violated.”

Section 533 of the SCRA prohibits non-judi-



U.S. Navy photo

Sailors stand in formation. The Justice Department found several mortgage servicers violated the Service Members Civil Relief Act with some non-judicial foreclosures; affected service members are now eligible to receive more than \$123 million.

cial foreclosures against service members who are in military service or within the applicable post-service period, as long as they originated their mortgages before their period of military

service began. Even in states that normally allow mortgage foreclosures to proceed non-judicially, the SCRA prohibits servicers from doing so against protected service members during

their military service and applicable post-military service coverage period.

Under the National Mortgage Settlement, for mortgages serviced by Wells Fargo, Citi and GMAC Mortgage, the identified service members will each receive \$125,000, plus any lost equity in the property and interest on that equity. Eligible co-borrowers will also be compensated for their share of any lost equity in the property.

To ensure consistency with an earlier private settlement, JP Morgan Chase will provide any identified service member either the property free and clear of any debt or the cash equivalent of the full value of the home at the time of sale, and the opportunity to submit a claim for compensation for any additional harm suffered, which will be determined by a spe-

Base Happenings

Dahlgren

Black History Observance

To be held Feb. 26 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Base Theater at NSF Dahlgren. Guest speaker will be Col. Traci E. Crawford, commander, Moncrief Army Community Hospital, Fort Jackson, S.C. All are invited to attend.

ASBP Blood Drive

The Armed Services Blood Program is seeking blood donors and will be on base March 12 in Bldg. 1470 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. To donate blood you must weigh at least 110 pounds and be in generally good health. Contact your local ASBP donor center for minimum age and other requirements. For more information, visit www.militarydonor.com.

Second Tour Thrift Store

Second Tour Thrift Store, a Dahlgren Officers' Spouses Club volunteer-run organization, offers free uniforms (gently used) for active duty military members are always available on the porch. Store profits are donated back to the community in the form of scholarships for military families who have served at Naval Support Facility Dahlgren and support for local charities serving King George County. The store is located at 722 Sampson Rd. and is open on Thursdays from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Indian Head

"Treasures" Thrift Store Needs Donations!

The Indian Head Thrift Store "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 and 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

Private base housing opens up more options

By Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Jonathan Sunderman
Defense Media Activity

Location, location, location.

Most military members will transfer a number of times throughout their careers, each transfer coming with its own share of stress and uncertainty. One of the biggest sources for stress is trying to decide where you are going to live upon transferring. Will there be available housing on base? Do you even want to live on base, or is off-base housing a better option? There are many questions, and believe or not, there are an equal number of answers.

There are now more options than ever for Sailors and their families to find suitable living accommodations. To make the best of their tour, service members need to become familiar with all of those options.

First let's look at on-base housing; there are essentially three options: privatized housing, government-owned housing or single/unaccompanied housing.

The original purpose of on-base housing was to provide financial relief to service members unable to find appropriate housing with the BAH, said Aimee Stafford, program management specialist, Fort Meade, Md., housing division. On-base housing served to fill that gap.

However, on-base housing has come a long way, and is now a viable option regardless, said Stafford. In fact, many bases have begun privatizing housing. In recent years bases, posts and installations have started partnering with private companies to develop and maintain housing within the gates. Base housing communities are being remodeled and renovated to modernize and make homes more efficient and safe for service members. For this type of housing, military members con-

tinue to receive BAH. The privatized housing company acts as a rental property manager and service members sign a lease and pay rent.

While privatization has brought housing a long way, it may not be a fit for every family, or every location. Government-owned housing may be the only option you have, especially if taking a position overseas. The housing is operated and maintained by the DoD. While you will not have to worry about rent or utilities with this type of housing, you will also not receive BAH.

Service members who are unmarried or who are separated from their families may live in single/unaccompanied housing, often referred to as barracks or bachelor quarters. The housing generally is a single or shared room with a private or shared bath and common area. Living in these types of quarters can be appealing to some Sailors because everything is generally taken care of. You will not receive BAH if you find yourself living in this type of dwelling.

Other benefits to living on base include the sense of security a gated community provides, easy access to most facilities and a sense of camaraderie among the residents, said Stafford. In the case of deployments, most likely there is a support system nearby; a neighbor or another military spouse that gets it, has been there before, and can provide valuable resources.

Now let's talk about living off base. Many prefer the privacy and variety that living off base can provide.

For those of you looking to live out in town, you have to weigh your options. Do you have a big family or is it just you and your dog? For example: as of Jan. 1, 2015 E-5 BAH at Fort Meade, Md., is \$1,959 (single) and \$2,163 (with dependents). An E-5 with dependents may not have an easy time

finding a single family home in their price range in this area as easily as single Sailor looking for a one or two bedroom condo or apartment. Another thing to consider is the cost of utilities and services. These costs will be your responsibility and need to be considered when making your final decision. And of course your amount of BAH will depend on your base location.

Another source of stress is trying to put together living arrangements from another state, or even country. And that's where www.homes.mil comes in. This website was constructed to help service members look for housing either at their current location, or any location in the world. The site not only helps those getting ready to PCS, but can also be a great source for putting your current home up for rent. In addition to the listings, the site has contact information for all military housing offices.

At the end of the day, it really comes down to what works best for the service member and their family.

"I think the biggest thing is calling the housing office ... knowing what's truly available ... because it's hard and each area has something specific that you probably should know before you move there," said Stafford.

Regardless of what decision you make there are helpful sites out there with copious information to help you make a successful military move.

More housing resources:

Military OneSource
Defense Travel Management Office

Defense Finance and Accounting Service site for travel entitlements.

Sailors can also find important information and contact numbers in regards to their next move by locating their housing office via the Military Installations website.



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MWR Highlights



Aquatics Center
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Spring-Chicken Adult Swim Meet

March 20 at 5 p.m. You’re still a spring-chicken. Come out and show it! Join the Dahlgren Aquatics Center for an adult swim meet. All with base access, age 18 and older are invited! Warm-ups begin at 4 p.m. The swim meet will start at 5 p.m. Events include: 200 IM, 100 IM, 200 Medley Relay, 400 Free Relay, 50 Breast, 100 Back, 50 Free, 200 Breast, 200 Back, 100 Free, 50 Fly, 100 Breast, 200 Free, 50 Back, and 100 Fly. Please register at the aquatics center by March 13th. Cost: \$15 to participate in four events and \$5 for each additional event.

Bingo
540-653-8785

New Games & Higher Jackpot

Thursday Evenings. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Early Bird games start at 5 p.m. Bingo is growing and so is the excitement! The jackpot now starts at \$1,000 and 48 numbers and will increase \$100 and 1 number each week it is not won. Payouts for regular games start at \$50. Two new games have been added for a total of 11 games. Double Action is a coverall game. Cards are an additional \$1, but offer a \$75 payout! MWR Appreciation is a coverall game as well for an additional \$1. The payout is 90% of sales brought in for that card. Winter specials are going on for a limited time! Buy two packs and receive one purple and one red card for free. Buy three packs and receive one purple, red and green card for free. Military members and their spouses can buy one regular pack and get the early bird, purple and red cards for FREE! Food and beverages (non-alcoholic and adult beverages) are available for purchase. All with base access are invited. Participants playing bingo must be 18 years of age or older. A valid form of identification must be shown to purchase alcoholic beverages. For more information, please contact the ITT office at 540-653-8785.

Cannonball Lanes
540-653-7327

Scotch Doubles

February 21 from 6 to 8 p.m. Join Cannonball Lanes on the third Saturday of every other month for Scotch Doubles. Partners finish each other’s frames. A prize will be awarded to the first place team. Please register at Cannonball Lanes by Wednesday, February 18th. Cost: \$30.00/team.

Craftech
540-653-1730

Leprechaun Hat Painting

Paint a leprechaun hat and grow your own shamrock! Please call ahead to make your reservation. Cost: \$10.00, which includes all materials.

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

Family Night

February 25 at 6 p.m. at the Youth Activity Center. All youth and their families with base access are invited to enjoy a night of fun, surprises and refreshments as family games are played! Please register by February 23rd. Cost: FREE.

Family Kite Madness

March 7 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Youth Center and Parade Field. All youth and their families with base access are invited to make a kite at the youth center. Supplies will be provided. Once finished making your kite, go out the Parade Field and see how well you can fly your kite! Please register at the youth center by March 2nd. Cost: FREE.

Give Parents a Break

At the Child Development Center. Eligible patrons include all children 6 weeks to 5 years of age (not in kindergarten). Starting in March the CDC will offer extended hours on the hourly care program set for the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month and the 2nd Saturday of each month. This care will be free for respite care referrals. Please call the center for more information and to register.

Fitness Center
540-653-8580

Ball and Chain Relay

February 18 at 11 a.m. at Dahlgren Parade Field. Awards will be given for the fastest male, female, co-ed and military pairs. Commemorative t-shirts will be available to the first 20 registrants. Please register anytime between now and the morning of the event. Cost: \$5.00 per person for Military/Retiree Dep, DoD Civilian/Dep and Contractors, Free for Military, Reservists and Retirees.

General Library
540-653-7474

Half Day, Craft Day

February 27 at 1 p.m. School’s out early! Come to the library and paint your own version of a famous work of art! Snacks will be provided. Please note that these dates correspond to early dismissals at the Dahlgren School and King George County Schools. Cost: FREE.

Dr. Seuss’ Birthday Celebration

February 28 at 1 p.m. Celebrate the wonder of Dr. Seuss with cupcakes, storytime and a Dr. Seuss craft! After the party, head to the Dahlgren Theater for a free showing of The Lorax!

Liberty Center
540-653-7277

Flicks Friday

Liberty Center Patrons Only: E1- E6 Single/Unaccompanied Active Duty Military. Come out and watch any movie from our collection. Drinks and popcorn are FREE!

Domino’s Pizza Night

February 24 at 4 p.m.
Liberty Center Patrons Only: E1- E6 Single/Unaccompanied Active Duty Military. Watch your favorite movies, relax and enjoy FREE pizza, sponsored by King George Domino’s.

Massanutten Indoor Water Park
March 7. Liberty Center Patrons Only: E1- E6 Single/Unaccompanied Active Duty Military. Spend a day splashing in the water with Liberty! Please register in advance at the Liberty Center.



Child & Youth
CDC 301-744-4458

Give Parents a Break

At Child Development Center. Eligible patrons include



540-653-7336

Price of Shows

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, February 20th, 7 p.m.
The Imitation Game, PG-13

Saturday, February 21st, 4 p.m.
Big Eyes, PG-13

Saturday, February 21st, 7 p.m.
American Sniper, R

Friday, February 27th, 7 p.m.
Taken 3, PG-13
Saturday, February 28th, 2 p.m.
Dr. Seuss’ The Lorax, FREE SHOWING, PG

Saturday, February 28th, 4 p.m.
Paddington, PG

Saturday, February 28th, 7 p.m.
The Wedding Ringer, R

all children 6 weeks to 5 years of age (not in kindergarten). Starting in March the CDC will offer extended hours on the hourly care program set for the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month and the 3rd Saturday of each month. This care will be free for respite care referrals. Please call the center for more information and to register.

General Library
301-744-4623

One-on-One Computer Help

1st Monday of Every Month, by appointment only. Need help with a computer program? Don’t know where to start? Sign up for your one-on-one, 30 minute session at the library to work on anything you’d like. Please call on the previous Friday to make an appointment.

Paws for Reading

2nd Monday of Every Month from 3:45 to 5 p.m. Who doesn’t love dogs? Now you can sign up for a 15 minute session to read to and pet a furry friend! Please register at the library, the Friday before to make your appointment.

Storytime at the Library

2nd and 4th Tuesday of Every Month at 10 a.m. Join us at the library every other Tuesday for a story and a craft!

Stars & Strikes Bowling Center
301-744-4761

Lunchtime Bowling

Every Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Enjoy lunch and bowling fun on your break!

Cosmic Bowling

Every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month from 5 to 10 p.m. What glows in the dark and is too much fun to miss? Cosmic bowling at Stars & Strikes Bowling Center! Cost: Military, \$2/game and \$1 shoe rental; Civilian, \$3/game and \$1 shoe rental.

Community Notes

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Wicked Plants at the Science Museum of Virginia

Jan. 24 to May 17 at the Science Museum of Virginia, 2500 West Broad St., Richmond. Step into a macabre world where plants hold the power as you discover the biochemical, physical and neurological processes between plants and the human body. From poisonous to carnivorous to just plain nasty, learn about these diabolical botanical plants inside of a decrepit home - including some of the most infamous plants in history. Cost: \$11 adults. Children ages 4-12 and seniors: \$10. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.smv.org.

Recreational Soccer Registration

Registration is open for the FSCI Recreation Academy. The FSCI Recreation Academy is a soccer league for children ages 5 thru 12. The league features weekly games in Spotsylvania County and professional coaches train all the players. Children can request to be on the same team as their friends and can play for a specific coach. The cost to participate is \$75.00. The deadline to register is February 28. More details are available on the website - www.fredericksburgsoccer.org.

Fredericksburg Art Show

Friday, February 27 - Sunday, March 8 at the Dorothy Hart Community Center in Fredericksburg from 2 to 6 p.m. daily. Free admission - donations accepted. Explore the amazing talents of local artists and their artistic visions through paintings, drawings, photography, mixed media, sculpting and more. This display will not only enrich your imagination but funds raised will go to help the youth in our community to do the same. Find that special piece that speaks to you and purchase it so that you can display it in your home, or business. This show will be judged and cash prizes will be awarded. Download entry form at www.fredericksburgva.gov/parksandrec under "Special Events."

Job Corps Information Session

Wednesdays from 1 to 2 p.m. at Virginia Workforce Center, 10304 Spotsylvania Dr., Fredericksburg. Job Corps is a free educa-

tion and training program that helps young people learn a career, earn a high school diploma or GED, and find and keep a good job. For eligible young people at least 16 years of age that qualify as low income, Job Corps provides the all-around skills needed to succeed in a career and in life. To RSVP, call 540-322- 5781.

Shrek: The Musical at James Monroe High School

Feb. 26-28 starting at 7 p.m. The James Monroe Drama Department is proud to present: Shrek: The Musical! This is a fun-filled comedy, perfect for the whole family! Tickets are available at the door. Cost: \$15 General Admission, \$10 with student I.D. - tickets available at the door!

Indoor Flea Market

Feb. 28 at Fredericksburg Eagles 4123, from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Something for everyone from yard sale to collectibles even some craft and antiques. There will be snacks and baked goods to purchase while you shop. All proceeds support Auxiliary charities. There is still time to rent table space, email smileyaw@aol.com. Cost: \$20 for one table, \$45 for three.

Church Yard Sale

Feb. 28 from 7 a.m. to noon at Riverside First Church of God in Fredericksburg. Various furniture, A/V equipment, books, clothes & baby items, household items, baked goods and much more! Located behind Central Park Walmart - enter at rear of church...RAIN or SHINE! For more information, call the Church Office at 540-548-0715.

Motts Run Nature Center 2015 Volunteer Training

Saturday, February 28th, 9:00am-11:00am

Motts Run Nature Center

Calling Nature enthusiasts of all ages! Volunteers needed to staff the Motts Run Nature Center on weekends from April through October. A ten hour commitment requested for the season. Staff will teach you everything you need to know! Must be 16 years or older. Children welcome to volunteer with their parents. To register, call Mimi Dempsey at 540-372-1086, extension 218.

Relief:

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cial consultant, retired U.S. District Court Judge Edward N. Cahn.

Payment amounts have been reduced for those service members or co-borrowers who have previously received compensation directly from the servicer or through a prior settlement, such as the independent foreclosure review conducted by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency and the Federal Reserve Board. The Bank of America payments to identified service members with nonjudicial foreclosures were made under a 2011 settlement with the Department of Justice.

The NMS also provides compensation for two categories of service members:

- Those who were foreclosed upon pursuant to a court order where the mortgage servicer failed to file a proper affidavit with the court stating whether

or not the service member was in military service; and

- Those service members who gave proper notice to the servicer, but were denied the full benefit of the SCRA's 6% interest rate cap on pre-service mortgages. The service members entitled to compensation for these alleged violations will be identified later in 2015.

Financial Fraud Enforcement Task Force

Today's settlement was announced in connection with the President's Financial Fraud Enforcement Task Force. The task force was established to wage an aggressive, coordinated and proactive effort to investigate and prosecute financial crimes.

With more than 20 federal agencies, 94 U.S. Attorneys' Offices and state and local partners, it is the broadest coalition of law enforcement, investigatory and regulatory agencies ever assembled to combat fraud.

Since its formation, the task force

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Military Veterans Stand Down Event

Feb. 21 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the American Legion Post 82 in La Plata. Post 82 is holding a Stand Down event for U.S. Military Veterans and their dependents. The focus of the event is for veterans to connect with numerous agencies and service providers, Veterans Affairs enrollment, assistance with writing a resume, assist those who are homeless or in need of assistance. Many other services will be represented for the veterans and their dependents.

Mechanicsville Optimist Auction and Yard Sale

Feb. 21 starting at 7 a.m. at the Mechanicsville Fire Department Social Hall. This is an annual auction to benefit the community. Lots of great items to bid on. Baltimore Ravens signed Football as well as a Washington Redskin signed Football. Filled themed baskets such as Hershey, Pepperidge Farm. The Yard sale begins at 7am the Auction at 9:30am. This year our auctioneer will be Jeff Hayes of Hayes Auction Services. For more information or to donate contact Terri Palmer, 301-884-8082.

Lions Club Turkey Shoot

Feb. 22 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at 9370 Crain Highway, Bel Alton, Md. The shoot starts at 11 and usually lasts about an hour and a half. Expect a friendly atmosphere and all are welcome.

Visit us at www.belaltonturkeyshoot.com This nonprofit event supports the local Lions Club.

Bull & Oyster Roast

Feb. 28 from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Jameson-Harrison American Legion Post 238 in Hughesville. All you can eat, free draft beer and cash bar. Advance ticket: \$35. At the door: \$40. For more information, call the post at 301-274-3522.

Greenwell Camp Registration

Registration opens for all Greenwell Foundation Spring Break and Summer Camps on March 1. Camps include something for every child and are based at Greenwell State Park in Hollywood, Md. Camp Greenwell and Horse Camp are offered this

year during the Spring Break from St. Mary's County Public Schools. Camp Greenwell, Horse Camp, Fishing Camp, Kayak Fishing Camp, Adventure Camp and Evening Exploration offered during nine weeks of summer. Before and after extended care available. Drop-in after care available too! For dates, rates and reservations, visit www.greenwell-foundation.org.

CSM Ward Virts Concert Series: Holly Roadfeldt, piano.

March 1 at 3 p.m. at the College of Southern Maryland, Prince Frederick Campus, Building B, Multipurpose Room, 115 J.W. Williams Road, Prince Frederick. Piano soloist Holly Roadfeldt made her orchestral debut with the Toledo Symphony Orchestra at the age of 13 and continues to be an active solo pianist and chamber musician performing standard and eclectic recital programs in the United States, Europe and Asia. Doors open at 2:30 p.m. Limited seating. Free. rflaming@csmd.edu, 443-550-6011, www.csmd.edu/Arts.

Girl Scout Troop 6058 Zombie Dash

March 7 at 4 p.m. at the Leonardtown Fairgrounds. Cost for girl scouts: \$15. Everyone else: \$20. Day of the Dash: \$25. Free shirt for the first 50 registered dashers, sizes limited. To pre-register, mail checks (payable to GS Troop 6058) to Jennifer Ingmire, PO Box 238, Lexington Park, Md. 20653.

Family Camping at Tilghman Lake Park

The La Plata Town Council has approved six family camping dates for 2015 at Tilghman Lake Park. The first two dates are Friday, March 20 and Saturday, March 21, 2015. Space is limited to the first 50 registrants each date. If you are among the first 50 registrants, a parking pass will be mailed to you to allow overnight parking in the parking lot behind the restrooms. If you sign up too late, your parking pass fee will be returned to you. Please sign up by Tuesday, March 17 to allow time for mailing the parking pass. Camping is only permitted in Tilghman Lake Park on select days, and participants are required to obtain one of the limited parking passes. Overnight visitors who do not display the parking pass may be towed. For more information, visit www.townoflaplata.org.

has made great strides in facilitating increased investigation and prosecution of financial crimes, enhancing coordination and cooperation among federal, state and local authorities, addressing discrimination in the lending and financial markets and conducting outreach to the public, victims, financial institutions and other organizations.

Points of Contact

Borrowers should use the following contact information for questions about SCRA payments under the National Mortgage Settlement:

- Bank of America borrowers should call Rust Consulting, Inc., the settlement administrator, toll-free at 1-855-793-1370 or write to BAC Home Loans Servicing Settlement Administrator, c/o Rust Consulting, Inc., P.O. Box 1948, Faribault, MN 55021-6091.
- Citi borrowers should call Citi toll-free at 1-888-326-1166.
- GMAC Mortgage borrowers should call Rust Consulting Inc., the settle-

ment administrator, toll-free at 1-866-708-0915 or write to P.O. Box 3061, Faribault, Minnesota 55021-2661.

- JPMorgan Chase borrowers should call Chase toll-free at 1-877-469-0110 or write to P.O. Box 183224, OH-7160/DOJ, Columbus, Ohio 43219-6009.

- Wells Fargo borrowers should call the Wells Fargo Home Mortgage Military Customer Service Center toll free at 1-877-839-2359.

Service members and their dependents who believe that their SCRA rights have been violated should contact an Armed Forces Legal Assistance office. To find the closest office, consult the military legal assistance office locator at <http://legalassistance.law.af.mil> and click on the Legal Services Locator. Additional information about the Justice Department's enforcement of the SCRA and the other laws protecting service members is available at www.servicemembers.gov

For more information on the task force, visit www.StopFraud.gov

SLOs promote bill to assist military students



Lolita Gunther, Naval Support Activity South Potomac School Liaison Officer, joined other Virginia Military School Liaison Officers and Virginia's First Lady, Mrs. Dorothy McAuliffe and Virginia State Senator John Miller (back row, middle) in presenting Senate Bill 1347 and 1354, Uniformed Services-Connected Students: Identification, at the Virginia State General Assembly Building in Richmond on Monday, Feb. 2.

The bill requires the Department of Education to establish a process for the identification by local school divisions of newly enrolled students who have a parent in the uniformed services. Local school divisions are required to identify such students in accordance with the process. Non-identifiable, aggregate data collected from the identification of such students shall be made available to local, state and federal entities for the purposes of enhancing the funding and quality of services provided to serve the unique needs of uniformed services-connected students residing in the Commonwealth. The Senate passed the bill and will go to the House for final approval. The First Lady requested the presence of the Virginia School Liaisons both at the Senate and House as she shared the importance of the bill for military-connected students to the assembly. Mrs. McAuliffe is an active member of the Virginia Military Interstate Compact Commission and has been the voice of the military-connected youth since her husband took office as governor.

Voting 2015 - FVAP.gov

Make sure your ballots arrive in 2015! The Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) registers you to vote, and acts as a request for your State absentee ballots for the year. It is important to complete a new FPCA annually, every time you move or at least 90 days prior to the election in which you'd like to vote. Register now and request your ballots for the year.

Completing a new FPCA is easy at FVAP.gov:

- * Select your state from the drop-down menu on the home page
- * Click the box at the bottom of the page to Register to Vote, Request a Ballot or Update My Voter Info
- * The FVAP online tool will walk you through the form, and provide you with a PDF packet to "print, sign and send" directly to your local election official (LEO); links are also provided here for states that offer online voter registration
- * You can check the status of your registration and/or ballot request by contacting your Local Election Officer (LEO) at any time

Remember, the only way your LEO knows how to reach you is with the information you provide! Some states allow a longer time between registrations, but if you submit a new FPCA every year, you won't have to worry about your registration or ballot request status and can participate in all the elections for which you're eligible.



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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2015
10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

American Legion Post 82 is hosting a FREE Veteran Stand Down Event for all Active Duty and Military Veterans and their dependents. The focus of the event is for veterans to connect with numerous agencies and service providers concerning Veterans Affairs enrollment, healthcare, burial benefits, assistance with writing a job resume, transition from military to civilian and assist those who are homeless.

For more information contact: George Hawley
240-367-6489 or ghawley83@gmail.com

Fitness:

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(PT) space, larger structured activity center, classrooms, and basketball court with spectator seating. There will also be a family workout space specifically designed for parents with children aged six weeks to six years old, which will allow parents to exercise while maintaining line-of-sight supervision of their children.

Hours of operation will remain the same in the new center: Monday through Friday: 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday: 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday/holidays: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.


For more news from other bases around the Washington, D.C. area, visit www.dcmilitary.com.

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