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Solid Curtain/Citadel Shield tests NSASP security forces

By Zack Shelby
NSASP Public Affairs

Solid Curtain/Citadel Shield 2015 began Feb. 2 across the Navy, including at Naval Support Facilities Dahlgren and Indian Head and officially wraps up today.

“Solid Curtain/Citadel Shield is U.S. Fleet Forces’ directed exercise and annual capstone antiterrorism event designed to evaluate Navy antiterrorism plans,” said Ed Patuga, NSASP training officer. The annual exercise was highlighted by an active shooter scenario Wednesday at Bldg. 1700.

Culinary Specialist 3rd Class Jessica Maffett of Naval Support Activity South Potomac (NSASP) portrayed the active shooter, roaming about Bldg. 1700 looking for potential victims while first responders such as NSASP police, firefighters, and emergency services personnel worked to apprehend her, tend to victims and subdue the situation.

“The purpose of the active shooter/IED (Improved Explosive Devices)/



U.S. Navy photo by Zack Shelby

Cpl. Andre Roy, a police officer at Naval Support Facility Dahlgren, advances toward a role-playing active shooter during Exercise Solid Curtain/Citadel Shield on Feb. 11. In the background, Navy training evaluators observe the police officers’ response. Solid Curtain/Citadel Shield is annual Navy exercise intended to enhance force protection; the exercise is not in response to any specific threat.

mass casualty exercise is to evaluate NSASP’s ability to respond to and recover

from such an event,” Patuga said. “It is also designed to evaluate Navy Air and Mis-

sile Defense Command’s (NAMDC) emergency action and response plan.”

Patuga said NAMDC has been a great partner and provided NSASP outstanding support in meeting their requirements.

“By investing valuable time and resources, NAMDC was able to test its emergency plan and at the same time provide its workforce and building occupants with guidance on how to prepare for and respond to active shooter crisis situations,” Patuga said.

NSA South Potomac’s command staff and mission areas, including police, firefighters, emergency medical personnel, public affairs office, and fleet and family readiness worked together to bring to bear the installation’s full capability and resources to save lives and protect property, according to Patuga.

“King George, Colonial Beach, and Charles Counties’ fire/emergency medical personnel participation provided the opportunity to exercise mutual aid agreements with our neighboring

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Willow Oaks Wetland complete, maintenance resumes at Dahlgren

By Zack Shelby
NSASP Public Affairs

Construction to the Willow Oaks Constructed Storm Water Wetland at Naval Support Facility Dahlgren, which started in August, was completed in January to complement the already-completed Upper Machodoc Constructed Storm Water Wetland on the opposite side of Sampson Road.

Its completion brings NSF Dahlgren into compliance with the Environmental Protection Agency’s new maximum daily load rules. The rules, which limit the amount of pollutants that enter the Chesapeake Bay in storm water, came into effect in 2012 and become progressively stricter until 2028. Dahlgren’s storm water wetlands will put it very close to meeting the 2028 requirement.

Although construction is complete, the project remains in progress.

“The one on the south

(Upper Machodoc) has been completed, but we need to do some replanting due to some losses from the earlier planting,” said Thomas Wray, Dahlgren’s natural resource manager.

With Willow Oaks construction now complete, not much can be done until winter goes away.

“Now we’re just waiting for warmer weather and the growing season,” Wray said. “They planted quite a few plugs in the wet areas. There have been a lot of those planted. The big thing will be to see how the water comes and goes.”

The overall project for the two wetlands has been going on for about two years according to Walt Legg, Dahlgren’s environmental manager. Legg credited Wray and former storm water program manager Brenna White for the manifestation of the project.

“They are the two leads for the project,” Legg said. “It’s been their baby from inception to completion.”



U.S. Navy photo by Zack Shelby

Workers put the finishing touches on the Willow Oak Constructed Storm Water Wetland under a gray winter sky. Despite weather-related challenges, the wetland will soon fill in with native plants that help filter pollutants from storm water runoff before it reaches Upper Machodoc Creek.

Legg reiterated that the work is basically done. Now it’s just time to read and react.

“It’s just a matter of the vegetation growing,” Legg said. “All of the vegetation is warranted for a year

after the project’s completion so we’ll come back with the contractor late in the fall and take stock of what needs to be in place. A year from now we’ll be out there replanting a little bit. Outside

of that, we’re done.”

As to be expected, there were a few challenges along the way that had to be dealt with and overcome.

“Weather has been the biggest (factor),” Legg said. He also cited a combination of the highest water table and the thick clay which underlies the site.

“Those are the major ones,” he said. “The clay layer was a nightmare to work with. It really slowed the crews down because it’s saturated gush. If you ever walk on the clay that piles up on the bottom of your shoes, it’s sort of like that. You can’t do anything with it.”

Wray emphasized not to walk on it until the area is stabilized.

“They should just be looking at it from the road for the time being,” Wray said of the community regarding the Willow Oaks wetland.

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Security: Exercising all aspects of emergency response

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communities," Patuga said. "The EOD (Explosive Ordnance Disposal) Detachment provided the technical expertise in responding to the simulated IED threat. NCIS (Naval Criminal Investigative Service) provided information and awareness of what could be expected should such an event occur within the NSA South Potomac fence lines. Branch Medical Clinic Dahlgren and the casualties' role players enhanced the realism and training experience of exercise participants through application of moulage simulations for injuries."

Although the exercise was designed to provide invaluable scenario-based training, AT exercises are also crafted carefully to deter the possibility of serious injury.

"Safety is paramount and has always been an integral part of planning and conducting an integrated exercise at NSA South Potomac," said Patuga. "The drill package and scenario events list were safely vetted using the operational risk management (ORM) matrix."

Numerous public announcements were made to ensure awareness of the exercise's possible impact to normal base operations and neighboring Virginia and Maryland communities.

"Mitigations were put in place to reduce the risk of unintended consequences to building occupants such as trauma caused by (Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder) PTSD reaction, other health conditions, and sensitivity to such an event," said Patuga. "The event was also well coordinated at the regional level. The training team was fully aware that safety was everybody's responsibility. Safety officers were at the



A bomb disposal robot from Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit 12 Dahlgren Detachment approaches a suspicious package Feb. 11 during Exercise Solid Curtain/Citadel Shield 2015 at Naval Support Facility Dahlgren.

scene during the exercise."

Patuga also said the exercise was Naval District Washington's capstone event and one of the capstone events across five Navy regions.

"Being the capstone in-

stallation, NSASP had more requirements to meet than the other installations within NDW," Patuga said. He added that the NCIS Security Training and Assessment Team (STAAT) were onboard to evaluate

the security force response procedures.

"Conducting the exercise was a great opportunity as always to train for and continuously improve to provide the best response possible," Patuga said.



Navy firefighters and paramedics at Naval Support Facility Dahlgren, evacuate a simulated shooting victim down a stairwell during Exercise Solid Curtain/Citadel Shield 2015 on Feb. 11. Facilitators of the annual, Navy-wide exercise place a premium on realism to test the response capability of the Navy's security forces.



Navy firefighters and paramedics work with members of King George Fire and Rescue to treat a role player with simulated gunshot wounds Feb. 11 during Exercise Solid Curtain/Citadel Shield 2015 at Naval Support Facility Dahlgren. The base has mutual aid agreements with communities near the base; first responders from King George County, Colonial Beach and Charles County, Md. participated in the exercise.

Surface combat systems command earns excellence awards

By Kimberly M. Lansdale
Center for Surface Combat Systems

Center for Surface Combat Systems (CSCS) was named a recipient of five 2014 Naval Education and Training Command (NETC) Training Excellence Awards for superior accomplishment supporting NETC's training vision Feb. 2.

The annual award recognizes commands that demonstrate the highest standards of training excellence and produce highly trained,

top-quality Sailors who are mission ready and meet the needs of the Fleet.

The award is composed of three categories: The Learning Center Training Excellence "T" Award, the Training Support Center Training Support Excellence "TS" Award, and the Functional Excellence Awards. CSCS received the Business Administration and Support (Yellow "T"), Total Force Management (Red "T"), Curriculum Management (Black "T"), Training Production Management (Green "T"),

and Training Support Management (Bronze "T") awards.

"CSCS continues to excel in making combat systems training better for Sailors and the Fleet," said CSCS Commanding Officer Capt. Bill McKinley. "These training awards illustrate the perseverance, strong work ethic, and enthusiasm of the CSCS staff throughout our headquarters and 14 learning sites."

The Center for Surface Combat Systems mission is to develop and deliver surface ship combat sys-

tems training to achieve surface warfare superiority. CSCS headquarters' staff oversees 14 learning sites and provides almost 70,000 hours of curriculum for close to 700 courses a year to more than 40,000 Sailors. The training center uses a mix of blended learning comprised of instructor led classes, hands-on labs, simulation and computer-based training.

For information on the Center for Surface Combat System, visit <https://www.netc.navy.mil/centers/cscs/>



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A Sailor utilizes a training console at the LCS Training Facility operated by the Center for Surface Combat Systems Fleet Anti-Submarine Warfare Training Center.

This Week in Naval History

Feb 12

1935 - USS Macon (ZRS-5) crashes into the sea off Point Sur, Calif., after encountering a storm that tears off her upper fin, effectively ending the Navys trouble-plagued rigid-airship program. Only two of her crew are rescued.

1945 - USS Hawkbill (SS 366) sinks the small Japanese cargo vessel Kisaragi Maru and the two large boats she is towing, at Lombok Strait, N.E.I.

1947 - The first launch of a guided missile, the Loon, takes place on board USS Cusk (SS 348).

1994 - Coastal Patrol Ship USS Typhoon (PC 5) is commissioned.

Feb 13

1913 - The Naval Radio Station, Arlington Va., begins operations. The station is a pioneer in communications, most notably with ether wave experiments with the Eiffel Tower in France.

1917 - Marine Capt. Francis T. Evans performs the first loop with a seaplane in an N-9 float plane at 3,000 feet, then forces it into a spin and successfully recovers. For this contribution to the science of aviation, he is later awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

1943 - Women Marines were reestablished as Marine Corps Womens Reserve. Col. Ruth Cheney Streeter, the first Director of the United States Marine Corps Women's Reserve, serves until Dec. 7, 1945.

1945 - USS Sennet (SS 408) is damaged by gunfire of Japanese gunboat (No.8 Kotoshiro Maru or No.3 Showa Maru), east of Tanega Shima, but then Sennett sinks No.8 Kotoshiro Maru after it had been shelled by USS Lagarto (SS 371) and USS Haddock (SS 231). Haddock then sinks No.3 Showa Maru, which had already been shelled by Lagarto and Sennett.

Feb 16

1804 - Lt. Stephen Decatur, with volunteers from frigate Constitution and schooner Enterprise, enters Tripoli harbor by night in the ketch Intrepid to burn the captured frigate Philadelphia.

1815 - The frigate Constitution captures British ship Susannah, despite the War of 1812 being over six weeks earlier. Word is slow getting to the fleet.

1944 - USS Skate (SS 305) sinks the Japanese light cruiser Agano as she deploys from Truk, Caroline Islands.

1945 - PB4Y-1 Liberators from (VPB 117) sink Japanese army cargo ship Ida Maru at



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Cape St. Jacques, French Indochina.

1952 - USS Gregory (DD 802), USS Twinning (DD 540), and USS Rowan (DD 782) greet the first anniversary of the siege of

Wonsan, Korea, with destructive interdiction fire.

1996 - Fast Attack Submarine USS Greenville (SSN 772) is commissioned.

Feb 17

1864 - While at anchor off Charleston, S.C., the Steam Sloop of War USS Housatonic is attacked by the Confederate submarine H.L. Hunley using a spar torpedo. USS Housatonic is recorded as the first warship to be sunk by a submarine.

1942 - The first Construction Battalion (Seabees) arrives in the Pacific during World War II at Bora Bora, Society Islands.

1944 - USS Nicholas (DD 449) sinks the Japanese submarine I-11 in the Marshall Islands.

1944 - During Operation Hailstone, aircraft from the nine aircraft carriers of Task Force 58 attack the Japanese fleet at Truk. During the 2-day strike, 33 Japanese vessels are destroyed and nine more damaged.

1945 - While wounded and gravely weakened, Medal of Honor Recipient Lt Rufus G. Herring takes the helm of the Landing Craft Infantry Gunboat (LCI(G)-449), which was heavily hit by Japanese counter-fire, rallies his men, and keeps the ship in action protecting UDT swimmers.

Feb 18

1846 - Secretary of the Navy George Bancroft issues the General Order to change Larboard to Port for identification of the left side of a sailing vessel.

1865 - In order for CSS Charleston, CSS Chicora, and CSS Palmetto State not to be captured by Rear Adm. John A. Dahlgren's squadron during the evacuation of Charleston, S.C., Confederate Capt. John R. Tucker, orders the ships be set afire and blown up.

1942 - USS Truxtun (DD 229) and USS Pollux (AKS-2) sink during a heavy storm in Placentia Bay, Newfoundland, with the loss of 204 lives.

1944 - The amphibious force under Rear Adm. Harry W. Hill lands troops on Engebi Island, Eniwetok, securing the island before the end of the day.

1945 - U.S. Navy destroyers engage Japanese vessels off Iwo and Chichi Jima. USS Waldron (DD 699) is damaged after intentionally ramming a gunboat; USS Dortch (DD 670) sinks auxiliary submarine chaser Ayukawa Maru north-northwest of Iwo Jima; USS Barton (DD 722), USS Ingraham (DD 694), and USS Moale (DD 693) operating near Chichi Jima, sink Japanese guard-boats No.35 Nanshin Maru, No. 3 Kyowa Maru, and No.5 Kukuichi Maru.

1994 - Mine Countermeasures Ship USS Ardent (MCM 12) is commissioned.

Meet South Potomac's new Community Planning and Liaison Officer

By Zack Shelby

Editor's note: The following is an interview with Emery Nauden, Community Planning and Liaison Officer

What is your official job title and organization?

Community Planning Liaison Officer (CPLO). I report directly to the NSASP CO and Public Works Officer. I keep an office at both NSF Dahlgren and NSF Indian Head.

How long have you been working at your profession?

Over 10 years. I started planning

when I graduated from the University of Central Arkansas with the Arkansas Highway Department doing transportation planning. I wanted to plan at a higher level so I went to the Florida State University to get a Masters in Urban & Regional Planning, but ended up also getting a Masters of Public Administration with a focus in local government. Out of grad school I was hired as a principal planner at a private planning firm in Jacksonville Fla. I later migrated to the City of Jacksonville's Planning and Development Department where I first did zoning and land use planning before becoming the City's Brownfield Coordinator. In 2012 I entered the federal workforce as the Installation Community

Planner for the Little Rock Air Force Base, where I worked before coming to South Potomac. I served three years as a paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne as a 92Romeo (Parachute Rigger).

How do you plan to support the commands and activities aboard Dahlgren and Indian Head?

As the SOPO CPLO my job is really about building and maintaining relationships on-base and off to promote and protect the Navy's interests and I love my job.

What are your goals in your position?

My primary responsibilities include managing/monitoring encroachment inside and outside the fence line in order to sustain and protect current and future mission operations at all of South Potomac's installations. This is achieved by building and maintaining relationships with the communities surrounding our facilities and the tenants within, and by acting as the Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration Representative (REPI) for South Potomac. In this capacity I am charged with locating parcels of land that are within the Navy's Areas of concern for devel-



U.S. Navy photo by Zack Shelby

Emery Nauden, Community Planning and Liaison Officer for Naval Support Activity South Potomac and Naval Facilities Engineering Command Washington.

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Base Happenings

Dahlgren

Ash Wednesday Services

Ash Wednesday services will be held at Dahlgren Chapel on Wed, Feb 18 at noon and 5 p.m.

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.

Second Tour Thrift Store

Second Tour Thrift Store is offering free books and stuffed animals and \$2 winter coats for the month of February! The store is run by Dahlgren Officers' Spouses Club volunteer and 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 - 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, 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.

Commandant's Corner

By Rear. Adm.
Markham Rich,
Commandant
Naval District Washington

In a previous Commandant's Corners' I discussed my focus areas, one of which is community. No installation or region can reach its potential without being engaged in and with its local community. You will recall the guiding principles Vice Adm. Smith outlined upon assumption of command of Navy Installations Command - in them you will find a discussion of the value & importance of representing the Navy in the surrounding communities. In the Secretary of Navy priorities you will find partnerships and how our global partnerships are critical to the future success of the Navy. You can see the common theme here. Community involvement, whatever you happen to define as "community," matters.

In practical terms, this means engaging externally; leadership building relationships with stakeholders and key influencers. It means looking for opportunities to engage and telling our story around the region. As the Regional Commander, over the past year I have met with state and local elected officials, state and federal agency officials, civic organizations, community and neighborhood groups, and many more.

The venues change, but each engagement presents the opportunity to meet with some of our biggest supporters, or those who can impact how we or our tenant commands operate. These are invaluable opportunities to establish or grow meaningful relationships and a chance to communicate regional and installation objectives and perhaps build those relationships into partnerships. For example:

On opening day for the 2014 baseball season the Washington Nationals dedicated a memorial to the victims of the 2013 Washington Navy Yard shooting. The initial discussion of the memorial event took place during a meeting I had

with executives from the Washington Nationals.

Meetings with the Washington D.C. Chief of Police and her staff have led to an increased level of information sharing and cooperation between the Metro Police Department (MPD) and Naval Support Activity (NSA) Washington; enabling MPD to be better prepared to respond to emergencies on installations within the region, and NDW installations better prepared to cooperatively respond with MPD.

For the past five years, Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling has partnered with Project Giveback, a Washington-based charity, to ensure needy military families are able to enjoy the Thanksgiving holiday week. Volunteers from the military and the District of Columbia's Ward 8, team up each year to make this event a success.

Active engagement with the staffs of Senators Cardin and Mikulski and Congressman Van Hollen, and participation in Montgomery County Citizen Action Transportation Committee meetings has resulted in an invitation for NSA Bethesda to be part of an action committee for the Rapid Transit System.

In January, the Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland finalized the 18-month long Naval Air Station Patuxent River Joint Land Use Study, a collaborative land use planning effort conducted as a joint venture between the Navy (locally NAS Patuxent River), surrounding jurisdictions, state and federal agencies, and other affected stakeholders.

At Naval Support Activity South Potomac, the Commanding Officer chairs a 450-member Community Relations Council (COMREL) that meets quarterly. The COMREL council provides an opportunity for critical information sharing and allows her to work directly with her four local communities, elected officials and business and community leaders.

The region is about to host the first regional education forum

with educators who work with military families to discuss unique educational requirements of NCR military families. This comes after meetings with several state and county school officials.

These are all good news stories that resulted from establishing or fostering strong relationships. Throughout the region you will find many success stories like the he ones just mentioned that stem from active engagement with local leaders and communities. At NDW I continue to support and promote an active and aggressive community relations program; we reach out to local communities and try to reinforce the Navy's ethical and responsible stewardship of the financial, natural and human resources that have been placed in our trust. We collaborate on issues that impact the long-term sustainability of our installations and seek to be involved in the discussions leading up to decisions that impact our mission and people.

For the annual Solid Curtain/Citadel Shield exercise NSA Annapolis works closely with community partners including the city of Annapolis' police and fire departments and the Anne Arundel Medical Center. The exercise provides exceptional training not only for NSA Annapolis security forces but also provides these local community organizations needed skills and training. Additionally, their community outreach was critical during the construction of the new commissary/ Navy Exchange complex and mitigated noise and disruption complaints.

Community engagement can take many forms and covers a broad range of activities, but however you look at it, engagement is a key contributor to our mission success. It's not just something we do, but rather, it is integral to how we work. Moving forward, we will continue to refine our model for community engagement that will strengthen region/installation-community partnerships and become an enterprise model for community engagement.



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MWR Highlights



Aquatics Center
540-653-8088

Family Float Night

February 13 from 5 to 7 p.m. Bring the family for a fun, relaxing night of floating in the pool! This is one of the few times inflatables will be allowed, so bring your favorite inflatable and float. Please be on time. If no one is present by 6 p.m. the pool will continue to close for the evening. Cost: Regular admission.

Bingo
540-653-8785

New Games & Higher Jackpot

Thursday Evenings at the Community House. 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

Sweetheart Bowling

February 14 from 7 to 9 p.m. Bring your best guy or girl out for a night of bowling fun! Cost: Military \$15.00/couple, Civilian \$20.00/couple. Cost includes three games and shoe rental.

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.

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

Family Kite Madness

March 7 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. 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.

Hourly Care

Location: Child Development Center and Youth Activi-

ties Center. Eligible patrons include all children 6 weeks to 12 years of age. Care is available on a day to day basis and requires advance reservations. Hourly care reservations as well as payments for care can be made online at <https://myffr.navyaims.com/ndwcym.html>.

Fitness Center
540-653-8580

Combine Challenge

February 16-20 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Participate in all five events: 40y Dash, 20y Short Shuttle, Standing Board Jump, 3 Cone Drill and 225 Bench Press. Awards will be given to the overall male/female participants. Register at the Dahlgren Fitness Center. Cost: FREE.

Ball and Chain Relay

February 18 at 11 a.m. Location: 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 13 & 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!

Wing Wednesday

February 18 at 4 p.m. Liberty Center Patrons Only: E1- E6 Single/Unaccompanied Active Duty Military. Enjoy FREE hot wings while they last!

Luray Caverns Trip

February 21. Liberty Center Patrons Only: E1- E6 Single/Unaccompanied Active Duty Military. Please register at the Liberty Center.



Fitness Center
301-744-4661

Ping Pong Tournament

February 21 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Prizes will be awarded to 1st and 2nd place winners. All with base access, age 10 years and older are invited. Please register by February 17th. Cost: Free for military, \$5 for all others.



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 13th

7 p.m., *The Gambler*, R

Saturday, February 14th

4 p.m., *American Sniper*, R

Saturday, February 14th

7 p.m., *Love Actually*

Free Showing!, R

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

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!

Dr. Seuss' Birthday Celebration

March 1 at 12 p.m. Celebrate the wonder of Dr. Seuss with cupcakes, storytime, a Dr. Seuss craft and a free showing of The Lorax!

Liberty Center
301-744-4524

In House Movie Night

February 18 at 7 p.m. Come to Liberty to watch a new movie and enjoy free popcorn, snacks and sodas! You will feel like you are at the movies!

Washington Wizards Game

February 24 at 7 p.m. Liberty is heading to the Verizon Center to watch the Wizards take on the Golden State Warriors. Please register by February 18th. Cost: \$11.50.

Stars & Strikes Bowling Center
301-744-4761

Date Night at the Bowling Alley

February 14 from 5 to 10 p.m. Tired of striking out on Valentine's Day? Bring a date to Stars & Strikes and each of you bowl one game for free!

Community Notes

Dahlgren

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 education 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!

Indian Head

La Plata High School 23rd Annual Antique Show and Sale

The La Plata High School Music Program announces its 23rd annual Antique Show and Sale. The show will be held on Saturday, Feb. 14 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Take a step back in time while you shop and browse vintage jewelry, toys, clothing, furniture, collectables and more from over 50 dealers from

the Mid-Atlantic region. Refreshments will be available along with door prizes. Each year La Plata High School welcomes hundreds of people into the school to shop and enjoy the show. The community looks forward to the show every year and even the dealers agree that La Plata's show is their favorite in which to participate. This event is the largest fundraiser of the year and all proceeds benefit the La Plata High School band and orchestra students, in purchasing music, instruments, accessories, uniforms and transportation. Admission is \$5.00 or \$4.00 with an ad from the newspaper or this informational blurb.

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 Redskins 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.belalonturkeyshoot.com This nonprofit event supports the local Lions Club.

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.greenwellfoundation.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.

Workshop will explore tourism opportunities for King George County

The Dahlgren Heritage Foundation is sponsoring a tourism workshop on Tuesday, Feb. 17, from 3-5 p.m. at the King George County Administration Building, 10459 Courthouse Dr., in the Revercomb Board Room. All interested businesses and citizens are invited to attend.

"Our goal in organizing this event is to provide a collaborative forum

to discuss tourism-related opportunities that potentially could benefit both community and economic development in King George, while preserving the rural character of the county," explains Ed Jones, president of the Dahlgren Heritage Foundation.

A portion of the workshop will be facilitated by Lisa Hull with the Northern Neck Tourism Council.

The Dahlgren Heritage Foundation is chartered to establish and operate the Dahlgren Heritage Museum and to provide the long-term preservation efforts and educational activities associated with sharing the stories and interpreting the U.S. Navy's physical, technical, intellectual and social contributions to King George County, the Common-

wealth of Virginia, and the nation.

The Dahlgren Heritage Museum is located in the former Virginia Gateway Visitor Center on Hwy. 301 in King George, Va., adjacent to Wayside Park on the Potomac River. The street address for the museum is 3540 James Madison Hwy., King George, Va. 22485. The museum is open Saturdays from noon to 4 p.m.

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

Outstanding students recognized at Dahlgren School



U.S. Navy photo by Zack Shelby

Students at Dahlgren School received quarterly certificates of achievement for making the Distinguished Honor Roll and A/B Honor Roll. Students also received Tiger Awards for their hard work, dedication and cooperation with school activities and duties. Awards were read by Principal Dr. Jeff Duncan and students had their picture taken with Capt. Mary Feinberg, Naval Support Activity South Potomac commanding officer.

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Wetlands: Beneficial wildlife habitat the community

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"The south one (Upper Machodoc) is fully established," Legg said. "There are walking trails on either side of it." For Willow Oaks, the area will still have decorations and deterrents for a while.

"The colorful flags, fencing, stakes, strings and all that, you can expect that to probably be there for about

a year until things get well established," Wray said. "We'll be putting up 'no mowing' signs. That will be going up once everything gets established. That area inside the 'no mow' area we'll grow up. It will look quite different than it did before."

Legg said the project will benefit the community as it relates to storm water.

"I think it's also going to be a great habitat," Legg said. Wray said that more than two acres of low marsh, high marsh, and deep pools now grace what was "mowed grassland."

"A once relatively sterile landscape has been replaced by beneficial wildlife habitat with emergent wetland vegetation, shrubs and trees," Wray said. He added

that the wetlands now provide an excellent opportunity for viewing wildlife and the quality of the water leaving Dahlgren will be greatly improved and the Chesapeake Bay will be better off for it.

"When this grows up, it's going to be as different as night and day," Wray said. "There'll be all kinds of stuff out there."

Officer:

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opment that may negatively affect mission operability through encroachment if developed. The program requires partnering with an outside agency to preserve the land.

How would you describe your personality? What should be people know about you?

I am an outgoing person and will talk with anybody

about anything. I believe in the best in people and I love my career.

What are some of your hobbies/interests/passions?

I love any type of live music, jazz, r&b, classical, even punk if it's live. [I'm] starting to get serious with sailing and I ended up in a great location for it. I love to cook. Smoking meat, soul food, sous vide and everything in between. My greatest passion is watching/interacting with my 4 year old daughter. There is always something new.

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For best consideration, applications should be submitted online by February 23, 2015: <http://ejobs.umd.edu/postings/31900>

Information on the Department is available at the following website: www.aero.umd.edu

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