



NAVY INSTALLATIONS TO CONDUCT EXERCISE

CITADEL SHIELD SOLID CURTAIN 2018

Navy firefighters treat a simulated casualty during a vehicle borne improvised explosive device response exercise as part of Solid Curtain-Citadel Shield at Naval Station Norfolk. The annual antiterrorism and force protection exercise is conducted across U.S. Navy installations.

MC3 Andrew Schneider

By MC3 Lindsay Preston

The Flagship staff

NORFOLK

Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces (USFF) and Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC) will conduct Exercise Citadel Shield-Solid Curtain 2018 (CS-SC18) Jan. 29 through Feb. 9 on Navy installations located in the continental United States.

"In order to ensure we are trained and prepared, we must exercise our forces and security processes," said Commander of Navy Region Mid-Atlantic Rear Adm. Jack Scorby. "Training and preparedness are critical to our mission readiness."

This annual anti-terrorism force protection exercise is designed to train Navy security forces to respond to threats to installations and units. The annual exercise is a regularly-scheduled exercise and is not in response to any specific threat, and is designed to enhance readiness, and ensure seamless in-

teroperability among the commands, other services and agency partners.

Protecting our people, equipment and installations is vital to national security and my top priority," Scorby said. "Safe-guarding our personnel, equipment and installations ensures the Navy can put to sea in defense of our national interests."

CS-SC is a two-part, anti-terrorism and force protection exercise that will test communications between Navy security forces, emergency operations centers and regional operations centers in addition to their ability to respond to threats to installations and units.

Exercise coordinators have taken measures to minimize disruptions to normal base operations and residents near bases may also see increased security activity associated with the exercise.

"Our installations have been working with local governments and agencies to avoid any unnecessary disruptions to

traffic and services," Scorby said. "I'd like to ask for your understanding, cooperation and patience should the exercise affect your daily routine."

Base personnel can register for the AtHoc wide-area alert network to stay up to date on force protection conditions and other emergency, environmental or exercise-related impacts on the area.

"I encourage our military and civilian personnel, contractors, base visitors and residents to be attuned to any announcements about how the exercise might affect your daily operations or your families' daily activities, and to adjust your plans accordingly," Scorby said. "Most importantly, not only during the exercise but year round, please be vigilant whether on base or off. If you see something, say something because you also play an important role in our security."

For more news from Commander, Navy Region Mid Atlantic, visit www.navy.mil/local/cnrma/

USS Theodore Roosevelt, French ship Chevalier Paul cross deck Sailors in Arabian Gulf

By MC3 Alex Perlman

USS Theodore Roosevelt Public Affairs

ARABIAN GULF

Twenty four Sailors assigned to the Theodore Roosevelt Carrier Strike Group (TRC-SG) participated in a "cross deck" event with personnel assigned to the French Horizon-Class destroyer FS Chevalier Paul (D621), while deployed in the Arabian Gulf, Jan. 13-17.

Cross decking is an exchange which allows sailors from both navies to experience life aboard a foreign vessel, as well as learn from coalition partners operating together.

"We cross deck to foster good working

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MC3 Matt Matlage

The French navy frigate FS Chevalier Paul (D621) is underway alongside the aircraft carrier USS George H.W. Bush as an MH-60S Sea Hawk Super attached to the "Tridents" of Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron 9 flies overhead. The ship and its carrier strike group are conducting naval operations in the U.S. 6th Fleet area of operations in support of U.S. national security interests in Europe and Africa.

Vice CNO visits George Washington

By MC3 Jamin Gordon

NEWPORT NEWS

Vice Chief of Naval Operations (VCNO) Adm. Bill Moran visited the Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS George Washington (CVN 73), Jan. 10, to observe the progress of the ship's Refueling and Complex Overhaul (RCOH), meet and greet the Sailor of the Year (SOY) awardees, and speak with crew members.

During Moran's time aboard George Washington, he toured the ship literally from bottom to top. His tour began beneath the ship in the dry dock area, and ended on the ship's flight deck.

While in one of the reac-

tor spaces on the ship, Moran asked various questions about the complex process of RCOH. Most importantly, he was focused on how the crew is affected by RCOH.

Moran asked questions about new processes Sailors may have to learn and how knowledge is transferred from the uniform side to the civilian side. Overall, Moran wanted to make sure the Sailors are getting what they need to be successful.

Although there were many conversations pertaining to the ins and outs of RCOH, Moran kept the Sailors at the forefront. When one Sailor asked about the possibility of updating a uniform regulation to al-

low Sailors to wear facemasks during unseasonably cold weather like Hampton Roads has been experiencing, Moran didn't hesitate with his answer.

"I've been asked many questions about uniform regulations before, but this is the first time I've had this question," Moran said. "As for an official regulation change, I will have to get back to you. However I'm telling your captain now, do what you think is right for your Sailors. Don't wait for permission. Do what you have to do to take care of your Sailors."

For more news from USS George Washington (CVN 73), visit www.navy.mil/local/cvn73/.



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MASTERING DAMAGE CONTROL ABOARD THE USS JASON DUNHAM

In an effort to enhance damage control efforts, the USS Jason Dunham (DDG 109) transformed repetitive training into a more relatable, engaging, and realistic all-hands effort.

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USS ANCHORAGE DEPARTS FOR NASA'S ORION MISSION

URT-6 is part of a U.S. government interagency effort in an open ocean environment that will be used to recover the Orion spacecraft upon its return to Earth.

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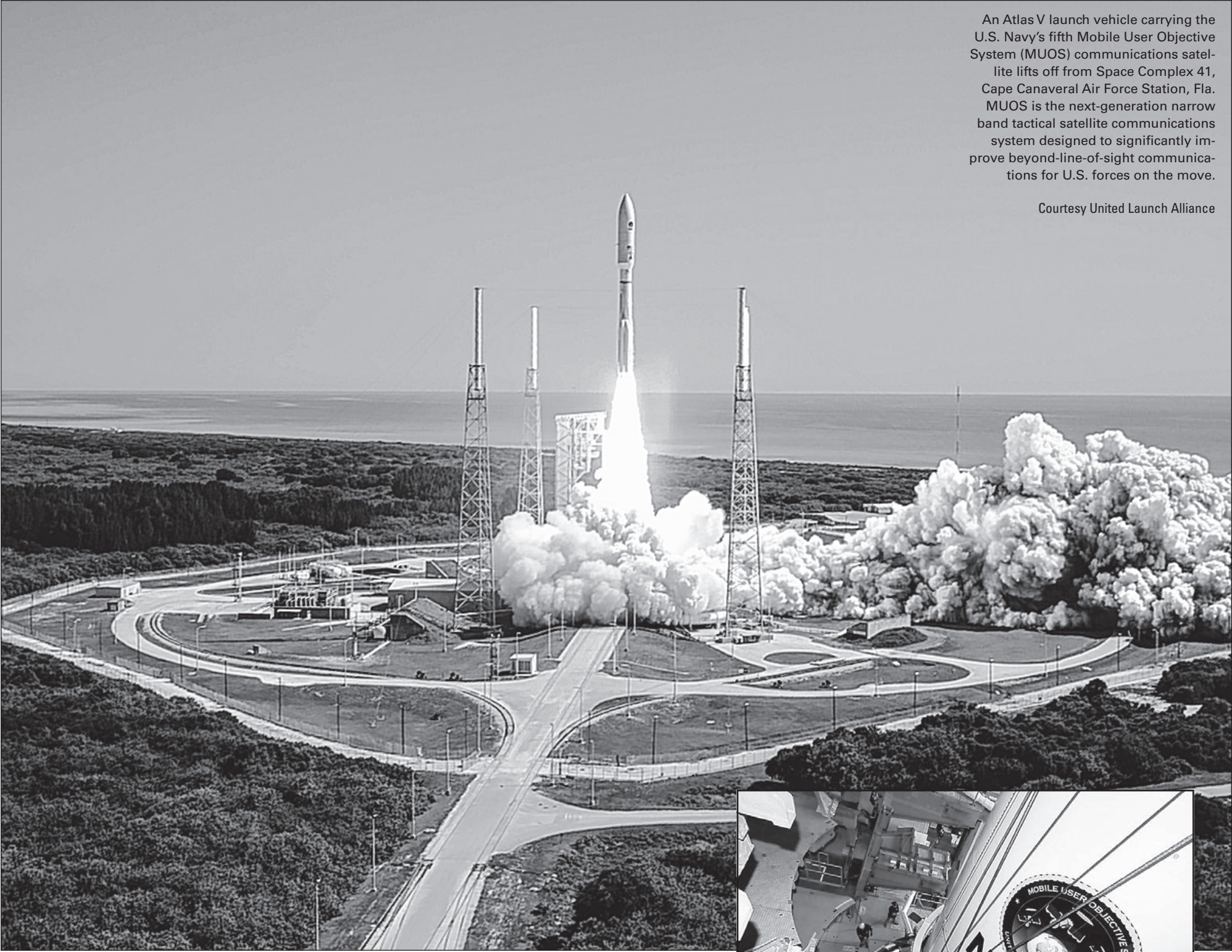
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An Atlas V launch vehicle carrying the U.S. Navy's fifth Mobile User Objective System (MUOS) communications satellite lifts off from Space Complex 41, Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Fla. MUOS is the next-generation narrow band tactical satellite communications system designed to significantly improve beyond-line-of-sight communications for U.S. forces on the move.

Courtesy United Launch Alliance

WHAT IS SPAWAR SYSTEM CENTER ATLANTIC DOING IN SPACE?

By Susan Piedfort
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CHARLESTON, S.C.

Warfighters must have reliable and capable communications and information to successfully perform their missions, and the “Space” team at Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center (SSC) Atlantic is delivering that capability.

SSC Atlantic’s Air and Space Integrated Product Team (IPT) is making optimum use of space as a domain to deliver communications, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance and navigation capabilities to warfighters.

“Our folks are very effectively employing the medium of space to put information in the hands of our warfighters,” said SSC Atlantic Commanding Officer Capt. Scott Heller. “It’s all about providing warfighting capability for the fleet.”

Norris Mitchell is the technical lead for SSC Atlantic’s Air and Space (IPT). He noted that while much of the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR) space mission is centered on the West Coast at Program Executive Office (PEO) Space Systems and at SSC Pacific, SSC Atlantic also provides considerable expert assistance in the engineering, development and acquisition of space systems for naval missions.

“Our people are scattered all over,” Mitchell said. “Our Air and Space IPT works with different competencies to find people to work on projects.”

Space-based systems are indispensable to modern warfare, and the Navy and all services rely heavily on space capabilities. SSC Atlantic support ranges from providing a government person for technical oversight of contractors developing systems, to maximizing use of data collected by satellites, to performing research that can lead to technology insertions.

“We are also leveraging the activities in other technical growth areas, such as cloud technology, and applying that to our space efforts,” Mitchell said. “Doing this kind of technical exchange — applying what we used for one customer to help another — saves time and money,” he added.

SSC Atlantic has a long history of satellite communications capabilities and support, including ground-based control and communications systems, infrastructure and data processing related to them. These satellites are used for communications, observation, weather reporting, navigation and research.

SSC Atlantic also supports space missions and delivers data services and products via space, all to enable global information warfare and enhance combat effectiveness.

“We have folks going to launches, having payloads on the rockets, looking at data collected and supporting other elements that do things in space,” said Jay Hughes, formerly head of SSC Atlantic’s Air and Space IPT. Colin Thomas recently took over as acting Air and Space IPT lead. The IPT has about 20 people, with roughly half of them embedded at the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) or assigned as needed to support space missions.

“The space family is strong and growing at SSC Atlantic. We have a small but very effective group of engineers and Ph.D.s who are absolutely brilliant,” he said. “They are working in very collaborative environments and changing how DOD operates in these domains.”

Mobile User Objective System (MUOS), the Navy’s next-generation narrowband tactical satellite communications system, is the culmination of more than 14 years of collaborative effort. MUOS revolutionizes secure communications for mobile military forces. It provides communications capabilities to users around the world, regardless of where they are in relation to a satellite.

Narrowband communication accounts for more than 50 percent of all DOD satellite communications. Narrowband communication is used by every Combatant Command in aircraft, ships, submarines and ground vehicles, by troops in the field and in a host of warfighting applications, including special operations.

SSC Atlantic’s Air and Space IPT MUOS expert and Space Segment System Engineering Lead Paul Strazdus has been providing MUOS space systems engineering support, managing quality checks for the system, supporting the launch, production and on-orbit testing. He also served as the Navy’s satellite technical representative at the manufacturer’s facility.

Strazdus also supported the Mission Analysis team at the Naval Satellite Operations Center (NAVSOC) Satellite Control facility to develop and execute alternate orbit raising efforts to place the Navy’s fifth MUOS satellite into a usable orbit after it experienced a failure of its orbit-raising propulsion system. Strazdus and SSC Atlantic Aerospace Engineer Phillippe Reed helped develop courses of action (COA) for an alternate orbit raising method, and Reed conducted Satellite Toolkit (STK) modeling in support of COA development and evaluation.

Reed has completed numerous Naval Innovative Science and Engineering (NISE) projects and is involved in engineering work for several space efforts. He has worked on five different missions with nano-satellites (nanosats) for PEO Space Systems. Approximately a foot long and weighing less than 25 pounds, nanosats can rideshare on large launch vehicles for a variety of missions. A common form factor is the CubeSat, a low-cost miniature satellite that is risk tolerant and very capable thanks to electronics miniaturization. They have been used increasingly, with hundreds in development by academic, commercial and military organizations.

Working with the Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory, Reed was the technical lead on the Vector Joint Capability Technology Demonstration in 2013, which launched two CubeSats into orbit to test advanced communications capabilities, successfully demonstrating the communications mission.

He and other SSC Atlantic employees have focused on nanosat payloads such as the Naval Interferometric Star Tracker Experiment (NISTEx), which measures star positions over time to aid celestial navigation and to determine the orientation of spacecraft. This project is in partnership with the U.S. Naval Observatory (USNO). Nanosat efforts are also centered on radar altimeters, which are used to provide key information about the ocean, measuring the sea surface height, wave height and wind speed.

In a recent NISE project with SSC Pacific, Reed, Barry Solomon and David Wayne investigated the use of a small form factor Modulated Retro-Reflector (MRR) experimental payload to deliver a secure, high bandwidth optical communications system. The SSC Atlantic team used commercial, off-the-shelf (COTS) components to create a modular, government-owned design that can be reused to support other payloads and missions. This effort evolved into the high-bandwidth anti-jam lower probability of intercept/lower probability of detection (LPI/LPD) optical network (HALO-Net) project, developing an optical communication system to enable low size, weight and power, secure, anti-jam, low probability of intercept and detection downlink and crosslink optical communications for a CubeSat-sized platform. The intent is to deliver assured communications in a radio frequency-constrained environment. However, the retro-reflector can



Courtesy United Launch Alliance

The U.S. Navy’s fourth Mobile User Objective System (MUOS) satellite, encapsulated in a 5-meter payload fairing, is mated to an Atlas V booster inside the Vertical Integration Facility at Cape Canaveral’s Space Launch Complex-41.

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NAS Oceana visited by local Olympians, supports Virginia Special Olympics

By MC2 Jacob S. Richardson
Naval Air Station Oceana Public Affairs

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Naval Air Station (NAS) Oceana’s Commissary was visited by a number of local Special Olympians during a Special Olympics promotion Jan. 12. The event which was organized in part by Proctor and Gamble (P&G) involved a number of Games; three events including Turkey Bowling, Toilet Paper Shoot the Hoops and Fling the Chicken.

Local students from nearby Ocean Lakes High School came into the store with their sponsors and participated in games with the Olympians. In addition, three Global Messenger Ambassadors from Special Olympics Virginia came into the store, Megan Shepard, Brandi Housden, and Lafayette Harrison, performing public outreach and education and sharing their experiences with Special Olympics. One athlete in particular, Megan Shepard, participated in the Worlds 2015 games and won gold medals in swimming.

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MC2 Jacob Richardson
Naval Air Station Oceana Command Master Chief Lee Salas stands with local Virginia Special Olympics participants during a Special Olympics promotion event at NAS Oceana commissary Jan. 12.

Phillip Brashear to speak during NAS Oceana’s Black History celebration

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Phillip Brashear, son of retired Master Diver Carl Brashear will be a guest speaker at Naval Air Station (NAS) Oceana for Black History Month observance and celebration, Feb. 16 at 1030. Brashear will be speaking at the base theater, after his speech all are invited to a celebratory lunch at Dam Neck Annex galley.

Carl Maxie Brashear (January 19, 1931 – July 25, 2006) was a United States Navy Sailor and the first African American to become a U.S. Navy Master Diver, rising to the position in 1970 despite

also having an amputated left leg. Carl Brashear showed the world that racism, illiteracy, poverty, physical disability, and substance abuse cannot defeat the human spir-

“He was a real person who lived his life with many ups and downs but was able to keep a smile on his face up to the day he died. I would know because I was there with him when he passed away

Sailors. “My father is a legend in today’s world by his incredible life story. If it takes me to illustrate his story to the world for the rest of my life, I will continue to do so because I will never want my father to become a myth,” Phillip Brashear said. “He was a real person who lived his life with many ups and downs but was able to keep a smile on his face up to the day he died. I would know because I was there with him when he passed away...With God’s love upon us, no dream is impossible.”

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The guided-missile destroyer USS Jason Dunham (DDG 109) launches a SM-2 missile during a live-fire exercise. Jason Dunham is underway with the Harry S. Truman Carrier Strike Group preparing for future operations.

MASTERING DAMAGE CONTROL ABOARD THE USS JASON DUNHAM

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NORFOLK

In an effort to enhance damage control efforts, the USS Jason Dunham (DDG 109) transformed repetitive training into a more relatable, engaging, and realistic all-hands effort. It was 0600 on Wednesday, the 29th of November, and red lights illuminated the passageways throughout the ship. Every crew member lay within their rack, while a recording played over the 1MC. It was a recording of Jason Dunham’s struggle as he gave his life for his fellow Marines, and for his country. The soundtrack shifted into other tragedies that have occurred on the waterfront throughout history. Recordings played of Sailors fighting to save their shipmates and the ship, for days straight, with no end in sight. At the conclusion of the recording, the executive officer’s voice broke through the 1MC: “General quarters, general quarters, all hands man your battle stations.” The crew jumped out of their racks and proceeded to their assigned watch stations, ready to save USS Jason Dunham (DDG 109) from any force that could attempt to sink her.

The crew assembled on the flight deck once the ship secured from general quarters. “This was a test to see exactly how much time it takes our crew to get from its most vulnerable state to its most war-ready state. Today was a sign that we need to improve,” Cmdr. Morgan Roberts, USS Jason Dunham’s executive officer explained. Chief Damage Controlman (DCC) William Purhamus stepped in front and split the crew up into 28 teams, mixtures of officers, chiefs, and Sailors of all ranks. This was the start of what USS Jason Dunham termed, “D.C. December” and these teams competed to earn the most points possible, performing different Damage Control skills across all casualty categories. DCC Purhamus ended with a phrase the crew knew all too well: “Hooyah D.C.!”

DCC Purhamus described how he originally came up with the idea for D.C. December saying, “‘Learn or Burn’ is a saying heard throughout the damage control organization fleet-wide, but damage control is more than just a PQS [personnel qualification standard], or a qualification. It is an all hands effort. Examples exist throughout the fleet: USS Cole (DDG 67), USS Forrestal (CV 59), USS Samuel B. Roberts (FFG

58), and more recently, USS Fitzgerald (DDG 62), and USS John S. McCain (DDG 56). However, the challenge was how USS Jason Dunham would make the training realistic and engaging, revealing to the crew their weaknesses and fears, and transforming these shortcomings into strengths and confidence,” DCC Purhamus explained. “USS Jason Dunham took training to the next level. We forced the crew to work with people outside of their repair lockers or general quarters stations. We wanted to get people familiar with being wet,

“USS Jason Dunham took training to the next level. We forced the crew to work with people outside of their repair lockers or general quarters stations. We wanted to get people familiar with being wet, cold, loud noises, and uncomfortable situations.”

Chief Damage Controlman William Purhamus

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The crew began with basic drills over several days and progressed into an all-day crucible event. Challenges included donning emergency escape breathing devices, firefighting equipment and self contained breathing apparatuses. Sailors egressed, or escaped, out of both their workspaces and living spaces, treated medical fractures, performed various first aid assessments, utilized medical stretchers in confined spaces, and patched ruptured piping. The crew took written exams for the scenarios that were more difficult to replicate in real life, such as chemical biological and radiological drills.

Damage Control December finished with an all-encom-

passing crucible event. Sailors dressed out in firefighting equipment and proceeded out to the flight deck. “Watch out! There’s an incoming small boat! Brace for shock!” Ensign Van Note shouted, the first lieutenant onboard. The group of Sailors crawled through a wooden tunnel into the port helicopter hangar. Wooden crates and blankets were strewn throughout the hangar to simulate lagging overheads and other obstacles, while recordings of crashing metal blasted in the background. Once the team reached the magazine room, they worked together to move ammunition cans through the passageway and into a new magazine room.

“We have reports of a noise coming from Berthing Seven! Your shipmates need your help!” encouraged Chief Quartermaster Derek Scott from within the magazine room. The team of Sailors proceeded aft to Birthing Seven, also entirely smoked out, and maneuvered around fallen mattresses and strewn pillows, searching the space for fallen Sailors. Once the space was determined cleared, they climbed up through the escape hatch and headed aft through the ship to extinguish a fire and assess a dying patient in the battle dress station.

At the conclusion of the crucible event, the Sailors gave their opinions on how to make D.C. December better. Every response was the same: “we want more.” Anti-submarine warfare officer, Lt. j.g. Jonathan Zurita described, “It is incredible how a space you thought you knew can be transformed into something unrecognizable, which is why it is imperative to train to this level. If the time comes, our Sailors will excel rather than freeze.”

Though Damage Control December is over, USS Jason Dunham still continues damage control training on a weekly basis during “Warrior Wednesdays.” DCC Purhamus describes, “We set the bar high not only aboard, but across the waterfront. Word travels fast, and I have received several inquiries as to how we pulled it off, and how other ships can do similar training.”

The hope of every Sailor is to never be required to put this training to use in real-life scenarios. Yet if the time does come, USS Jason Dunham will be ready, and is making contributions to ensure all ships are ready, throughout the Navy, fleet wide.

For more news from USS Jason Dunham (DDG 109), visit www.navy.mil/local/ddg109/.



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Sailors and civilians assigned to Navy Expeditionary Combat Command (NECC) along with the Virginia Beach Police Department participate in an active shooter training exercise on board Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek-Fort Story, Feb. 4, as part of the annual Exercise Solid Curtain-Citadel Shield 2016. This annual exercise is designed to enhance the training and readiness of Navy security forces.

Navy installations and commands exercise force protection

From Navy Installations Command Public Affairs

WASHINGTON

Navy installations within the continental United States (CONUS) will conduct Exercise Citadel Shield-Solid Curtain 2018 Jan. 29 — Feb. 9.

Citadel Shield-Solid Curtain 2018 is a two-part anti-terrorism force protection exercise conducted by Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC) in conjunction with Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command (USFFC) on all CONUS Navy installations.

Citadel Shield is a Field Training Exercise led by CNIC from Jan. 29–Feb. 4. Solid Curtain is a Command Post Exercise portion co-led by USFFC and CNIC from Feb. 5–9.

This annual exercise is designed to enhance the readiness of Navy Security Forces and ensure seamless interoperability among the commands, other services and agency partners. This exercise is a regularly-scheduled exercise and is not in response to any specific

threat.

Citadel Shield-Solid Curtain 2018 is of vital importance to our ability to execute the Navy’s mission in support of homeland defense and to protect our people, equipment and facilities in situations that pose a significant and immediate threat.

Measures have been taken to minimize disruptions within local communities and base operations but there may be times when the exercise causes increased base traffic or delays in base access. Area residents may also see or hear security activities associated with the exercise. Advanced coordination has taken place with local law enforcement and first responders to minimize any inconveniences.

Navy Installations Command’s 53,000 military and civilian employees provide infrastructure management, base operations and fleet and family support to 71 installations around the world.

For more information about Navy shore installations visit www.cnic.navy.mil or visit www.navy.mil/local/cni/.

Commander of Bahrain Navy visits Theodore Roosevelt

From Theodore Roosevelt Carrier Strike Group Public Affairs

ARABIAN GULF

The Commander of the Royal Bahrain Naval Force visited the deployed aircraft carrier USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71) in the Arabian Gulf Jan. 16.

Commodore Mohammed Yousif Al Asam and members of the Royal Bahrain Naval Force visited the ship while the RBNS Sabha (FFG 90) conducted a maneuvering exercise with the guided-missile cruiser USS Bunker Hill (CG 52) and Theodore Roosevelt.

“Today’s exercise builds upon the long history of naval cooperation between our two nations,” Al Asam said. “This region is safer and more prosperous because of the vital strategic partnership between the Royal Bahrain Naval Force and the United States Navy.”

Bahrain has hosted the U.S. Naval Forces Central Command / U.S. 5th Fleet headquarters since April 10, 1993, and the partnership between the Kingdom of Bahrain and the U.S. Navy has endured for nearly 70 years.

“I appreciate the support we receive from the Kingdom of Bahrain and their hosting of U.S. Fifth Fleet, but more so, I am appreciative for all of their leadership and efforts to support maritime security throughout this critically important region,” Commander of U.S. Naval Forces Central Command Vice Adm. John Aquilino said.

The Royal Bahrain Naval Force is a critical member of the Combined Maritime Force

(CMF), having led CMF task forces inside and outside the Arabian Gulf, leading maritime security operations combating piracy and smuggling.

Bahrain took command of CMF’s Combined Task Force (CTF) 151 on Nov. 2 and is the first GCC nation to lead a task force that operates outside the Gulf.

The principal mission of CTF 151 is to deter piracy and armed robbery in the maritime environment across an area of almost 3.2 million square miles, encompassing the Arabian Sea, Gulf of Aden, Somali Basin and Southern Red Sea. Under Bahrain’s lead, the CTF works to deter pirates, reassure legitimate users of the high seas and facilitate the free flow of commerce across the area of operations.

Bahrain has also twice led CTF 152. The CMF task force operates in the Arabian Gulf conducting maritime security operations in conjunction with regional partners to prevent destabilizing activities and promote maritime security.

U.S. 5th Fleet area of operations encompasses about 2.5 million square miles of water area and includes the Arabian Gulf, Gulf of Oman, Red Sea and parts of the Indian Ocean. The expanse is comprised of 20 countries and includes three critical choke points at the Strait of Hormuz, the Suez Canal and the Strait of Bab al Mandeb at the southern tip of Yemen.

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Airman Apprentice Syncere Reed, left, and Airman Nicholas Hurns lower the national ensign on the flight deck of the aircraft carrier USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74) as the ship gets underway from Naval Base Kitsap-Bremerton.

MC3 William Ford

MC3 Matthew Granito

An F/A-18E Super Hornet from Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 192 “Golden Dragons” makes an arrested landing on Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) flight deck near Aviation Boatswain’s Mate (Equipment) 1st Class Christian Cabedo.



MC3 Matthew Granito

Aviation Boatswain’s Mate (Handling) 2nd Class Karim Jahan directs an F/A-18E Super Hornet from the Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 192 “Golden Dragons” on Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) flight deck.



MC3 Matthew Granito

Airman Jaquala Moore fires a shot line from the Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) flight deck during a replenishment-at-sea.



MC3 Alexis N. Romero/

Sailors assigned to the Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln (CVN 72) take a mooring line off the bollard in order for the Ford-class aircraft carrier USS Gerald R. Ford (CVN 78) to get underway.



MCSN Eleanor D. Vara

Aviation Electronics Technician Airman Jordan Lee, assigned to “Gauntlets” Strike Fighter Squadron Electronic Attack Squadron (VAQ) 136, writes on a signal data control computer system (SDCCS) in the Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) hangar bay.



MC3 Jake Cannady

Hull Technician 3rd Class Brayden Morris cuts a piece of wood in the Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) carpenter shop.



MC3 Gitte Schirmmacher

Aviation Boatswain’s Mate (Fuels) Airman Dusten Pickell assigned to USS Gerald R. Ford’s (CVN 78) air department, makes his move during a chess tournament in the ship’s library.



Aerographer’s Mate 3rd Class Terrence Jackson uses a handheld anemometer to check the direction of the wind aboard Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70).

MCSN Eleanor D. Vara



MC2 Kiana Raines

An F/A-18F Super Hornet lands on the flight deck of USS Gerald R. Ford (CVN 78).



MC2 Kiana Raines

Airman Daniel Wright assigned to the “Tridents” of Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron (HSC) 9, directs an MH-60S Sea Hawk on the flight deck of USS Gerald R. Ford (CVN 78).

IWTC Virginia Beach FORMICA course earns joint certification



U.S. Navy graphic

By Lt. Rita Johnson

Information Warfare Training Command
Virginia Beach Public Affairs

VIRGINIA BEACH

Information Warfare Training Command (IWTC) Virginia Beach completed the first annual review of the Joint Certification Evaluation (JCE) for its Foreign Military Intelligence Collection Activities (FORMICA) course, Jan. 17.

FORMICA involves the debriefing, by trained and certified Department of Defense (DOD) human intelligence (HUMINT) collectors, of all DOD personnel who have access to information of potential foreign intelligence value.

Recently, the FORMICA instructors refined the curriculum and flow of the course to align with joint requirements and improve the overall holistic approach to intelligence collections. Over the last year, 218 personnel who completed the course throughout the 10 iterations taught in both Virginia Beach and IWTC San Diego, along with two mobile training teams traveling to fleet concentration areas.

The course initially received joint certification in February 2017, allowing graduates to release reports to the intelligence community across the global joint environment. The Joint Staff J7, Individual Training and Learning Branch, which is responsible for certifying joint courses, ensures course content and database information is up to date. The JCE not only ensures the curriculum meets the requirement for joint credit, but also confirms that all commands

deliver the curriculum uniformly and have the same standards of learning and execution.

“FORMICA has been a force multiplier for naval intelligence and our forces forward”, Commanding Officer of IWTC Virginia Beach Cmdr. Andrew Boyden said. “With the joint accreditation, we are able to leverage the capabilities of our analysts in the joint arena, filling intelligence gaps.”

The FORMICA course is designed to provide Navy intelligence officers and enlisted intelligence specialists in the paygrades of E4-O4 with the knowledge and skills necessary to perform the FORMICA process at the journeyman level under minimum supervision in accordance with appropriate technical manuals. The course is two weeks long and consists of 60 instructor-led classroom hours and 20 hours of practical application exercises. During the 80 hours of instruction, students review the guiding principles of HUMINT, FORMICA, and Operations Security (OPSEC).

To register for the course, please visit the USN FORMICA Debriefing Course Student Sharepoint on SIPRNet (<https://intelshare.intelink.sgov.gov/sites/usnfdc/sitepages/home.aspx>) to download the student datasheet. E-mail your completed datasheet to your type commander representative listed on the FORMICA Sharepoint main page. Sailors working in the joint environment or under commands which are not subordinate to a Navy type commander fall under the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations for registration

purposes.

Graduates are encouraged to utilize the USN FORMICA Debriefing Course Student Sharepoint as a reference while preparing for and on deployment. Course materials, references, and curriculum will be updated routinely to ensure the most up-to-date information is available for graduates.

IWTC Virginia Beach currently offers 69 courses of instruction in information technology, cryptology and intelligence with an instructor and support staff of 290 military, civilian and contract members who train over 6,000 students every year at five training sites in the Hampton Roads area. It is one of four school houses for Center for Information Warfare Training and also oversees four learning sites at Jacksonville and Mayport, Florida; Kings Bay, Georgia; and Groton, Connecticut to continue aligning IW community training.

IWTC Virginia Beach, as part of the Center for Information Warfare Training, provides a continuum of training to Navy and joint service personnel, preparing them to conduct Information Warfare (IW) across the full spectrum of military operations.

For more news from Center for Information Warfare Training enterprise, visit <http://www.navy.mil/local/cid/>, <http://www.netc.navy.mil/centers/ciwt/>, <http://www.facebook.com/Navy-CIWT>, or <http://www.twitter.com/NavyCIWT>.

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MC3 Tommy Gooley

The aircraft carrier USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75) transits the Atlantic Ocean. Harry S. Truman has successfully completed tailored shipboard test availability and final evaluation problem and is underway preparing for future operations.

TRUMAN CONDUCTS FST-GC EXERCISE

By MC3 Thomas Bonaparte Jr.

USS Harry S. Truman Public Affairs

NORFOLK

The Harry S. Truman Carrier Strike Group has taken another step in its pre-deployment work-up cycle, completing the Fleet Synthetic Training — Group Commander (FST-GC) exercise Jan. 19.

“[FST-GC] is meant to get [Truman] ready to go to sea,” Commanding Officer of Tactical Training Group, Atlantic Capt. Dan Brune said. “It’s to bring all the parts of the strike group to bear, to really integrate the force and to be able to operate at the high end that we need them to when they go on deployment. We want to make it harder for [the strike group] now than what they would ever see on deployment...that way if it happens [Truman] will think ‘Got it. We can handle it.’”

The exercise is the largest of its kind ever run by Carrier Strike Group (CSG) 4—the training group responsible for all east coast based carrier strike groups. More than 30 surface combatants from multiple carrier strike groups, including coalition ships from France and the United Kingdoms, participated in the event.

The two-week evolution is designed to

test the strike group information processing, communication flow, and decision-making in a robust and realistic threat environment, involving all services and multiple coalition countries.

“The synthetic trainer group concept allows us to flex our capabilities as a strike group across all the warfare areas while using ground stations and allied missions to help us plan and participate in a robust exercise scenario to better prepare us for deployment,” CSG-8 Information Warfare Department Leading Chief Petty Officer Senior Chief Cryptologic Technician (Technical) Derek McKay said.

Along with multi-mission operations, the focus of FST-GC is to work as a team and show the strike group’s capabilities leading up to its deployment.

“This evolution is a critical part of our pre-deployment training because it provides our strike group opportunities to test our responsiveness and decision-making at all levels, as one cohesive team,” Commander of Truman Strike Group Rear Admiral Gene Black said. “We need to be ready to respond to any potential threat or situation — the realistic training scenarios provided by FST-GC help us learn what we can do as a strike group, and how to do it better.”

Truman is currently moored at Naval Station Norfolk preparing for its composite training unit exercise (COMPTUEX). For more news from USS Harry S. Truman, visit <http://www.facebook.com/usstruman>

ROOSEVELT | Cross deck Sailors

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relationships between our allies,” Lt. Michael Kumm said. “It gives the Sailors a chance to see something that they’ve never experienced. It’s a good deal to check out another ship and see what it’s like to sail with them.”

Kumm added that learning about U.S. coalition partners helps build a common understanding of what each Navy’s mission is and how it is executed together.

“It shows that we have the ability to work together effectively in a time of war,” Kumm said. “It gives us the ability to demonstrate that we’re working together and we’re operating out here together.”

Lt. Cmdr. Scott Sulich, assigned to Carrier Strike Group (CSG) 9, added that the cross deck fostered easier integration between navies, increased understanding of foreign

platforms, and demonstrated a multilateral commitment to the fight against violent extremists.

“The French sent their ship to the Arabian Gulf to contribute to maritime security in the region,” Sulich said. “They’re a NATO partner and one of our oldest allies. That continued international cooperation is really important because it gives both countries a peace of mind in that we can both count on each other’s forces in whatever situation we may need.”

Chevalier Paul is currently under command CSG9 for a three week period, and they serve the same role as many of the other destroyers in the Theodore Roosevelt Strike Group.

“Their role is to defend the flag ship, which is us, and they are very cognizant of that,” Lt. j.g. Christopher Hallissy said, assigned to Destroyer Squadron (DESRON) 23. “Our mission on Theodore Roosevelt is to launch planes into a combat zone and finish whatever mission calls for us out here. Their mission is to help defend the Theodore Roosevelt.

SPAWAR | Space mission

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also be used for precise orbit determination using laser ranging techniques, a key capability for radar altimetry systems.

SSC Atlantic’s Hampton Roads Detachment Navigation IPT Lead Robert Greer and his lead engineer Leif Manley are working with an experimental Automated Celestial Navigation (ACN) system prototype built by MIT Draper Labs and sponsored by the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) and the Office of Naval Research (ONR).

Manual celestial navigation — using a sextant and complex mathematical calculations to determine a ship’s location from the position of stars and the angle of the earth — is tedious and time-consuming. The ACN system uses the stars to electronically determine the latitude and longitude on the earth for ships at sea that may not have access to GPS systems.

The SSC Atlantic team will interface the ACN to the WSN-7 Inertial Navigation System (INS) during an at-sea experiment in early FY18. INS is a passive shipboard navi-

gation system which will automatically and continuously calculate and indicate a ship’s position, attitude, heading and velocity in relation to the earth’s rotation.

“This is the kind of engineering work we are doing that is making space more efficient and affordable,” said Hughes. “Our folks are working at NRO, the Naval Satellite Operations Center (NavSOC), USNO and even in Pennsylvania where they were building MUOS, helping make sure everything goes right in space, and resolving and mitigating problems.”

SSC Atlantic’s Dr. Travis Axtell currently serves as the Informatics Technical Director and Deputy for the Algorithmic Warfare Cross-Functional Team (AWCFT) in Washington, D.C. Axtell spoke at the National Academies of Science workshop on “Challenges in Machine Generation of Analytic Products from Multi-Source Data” Aug. 9. He gave the DOD perspective on multi-source machine learning efforts and discussed the recently started Project Maven, as a part of the new Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence (OUSD-I)’s AWCFT. Project Maven is a Deputy Secretary of Defense-directed effort to apply artificial intelligence, machine learning and deep

They are usually only a couple miles away from us at any given time, just like the other ships from CSG9.”

While aboard Chevalier Paul, U.S. Sailors toured the ship’s bridge, foc’sle, combat systems spaces, state rooms, lounge areas, and food services.

“I felt like my favorite part may have been the meal, but interacting with the sailors there was really great too,” Hallissy said. “They were all super welcoming and friendly. The French sailors seemed really fired up. They seemed happy to be here and happy to help in whatever capacity they were needed.”

This cross deck event was one of many training opportunities that TRCSG Sailors will experience during the current deployment in the Arabian Gulf, Sulich said.

“In the near future, we’re going to continue to expand the opportunity to cross deck Sailors and see what it’s like to be on another country’s ship,” Sulich said. “I just hope they have the event of a lifetime.”

The Theodore Roosevelt Strike Group’s

learning innovations for intelligence. Project Maven will begin by augmenting or automating processing, exploitation and dissemination (PED) of full-motion video (FMV).

Norris, Hughes, Dr. Ralph Crosby and Albert Garrick were in the Keck Center to hear Axtell’s presentation firsthand. Watching the webcast from across the SSC Atlantic Analytics Research Center (ARC) and Data Science, Analytics, and Autonomy Guild were Dr. Lucas Overbey, Suzanne Huerth, Bruce Billian and Reed in 71000.

Axtell started at SSC Atlantic while in college as a co-op student. Once a full-time employee, he completed an internship at the National Reconnaissance Office. He was then selected in the Department of Defense Science, Mathematics and Research for Transformation (SMART) program, and earned his Ph.D. in space systems engineering at the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS) in Monterey, California. While studying at NPS he returned to the SSC Atlantic Charleston campus to give two technical briefs, one on space-based segmented mirror telescopes.

“We have really brilliant people doing engineering work that is making space more accessible and affordable,” said IPT Lead Hughes. “We have people who are chang-

ing how DOD operates in the space domain and the ISR world. “I have the best job at SSC Atlantic,” added Hughes, who as a kid was always the one launching, rockets in the neighborhood. “I love what we are doing for the warfighters who rely on us.”

“We are providing great capabilities and people — our most important asset — to operations in space,” said SSC Atlantic Executive Director Chris Miller. “Through our Navy space research, development and acquisition activities, we are using the medium of space to put information in the hands of warfighters.”

SSC Atlantic delivers capabilities to the Naval, Joint and National Warfighter through the acquisition, development, integration, production, test, deployment and sustainment of interoperable command, control, communication, computers, intelligence, surveillance, reconnaissance (C4ISR), cyber and information technology (IT) solutions that provide information warfare capabilities for national defense.

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USS Chafee returns from Western Pacific deployment

The guided-missile destroyer USS Chafee (DDG 90) returned to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam from an independent deployment to the Western Pacific and South America Jan. 12.

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USS FITZGERALD ARRIVES IN PASCAGOULA FOR RESTORATION



David L. Stoltz

The guided-missile destroyer USS Fitzgerald (DDG 62) arrives at the port of Pascagoula, Miss., aboard the heavy lift transport vessel MV Transshelf. Fitzgerald will begin restoration and modernization work at Huntington Ingalls' Industries shipyard in Pascagoula.

From Naval Sea Systems Command Office of Corporate Communications

WASHINGTON

The guided-missile destroyer USS Fitzgerald (DDG 62) arrived in Pascagoula, Mississippi, Jan. 19, aboard heavy lift vessel MV Transshelf inward bound from Yokosuka, Japan. Fitzgerald is expected to spend several days in the Port of Pascagoula as the heavy lift ship will commence the reverse operation of unfastening, lowering and guiding the ship off the platform. The ship will then be taken to its designated pier space at Huntington Ingalls Industries shipyard.

Due to the extent and complexity of the restoration, both repair and new construction procedures will be used to accomplish the restoration and modernization efforts. Various Hull Mechanical and Electrical (HM&E); Command, Control, Communications, Computers and Intelligence; and Combat System equipment, including the electronic warfare suite, radar, switchboard, gas turbine generator and air condition plant, require repair and/or replacement. Fitzgerald will also receive HM&E; Combat System; and Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Collaboration and Intelligence; upgrades that were originally planned for installation during the fiscal year 2019 availability.

Work on the ship is expected to occur on a land level facility throughout 2018 and one to two quarters of 2019, followed by an extensive test and trials period to ensure all systems and spaces are restored to full functionality and operational capability. The entire restoration and modernization effort are expected to complete approximately 24-months post work commencement on the ship. Fitzgerald was involved in a collision with the Philippine-flagged ACX Crystal June 17. Seven Sailors lost their lives and the ship was damaged on the starboard side above and below the waterline. The Navy released a comprehensive review of the incident Nov. 1



Bill Mesta

The expeditionary fast transport ship USNS Brunswick (EPF 6) departs Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek-Fort Story in Virginia Beach, Va. Brunswick is underway for her first overseas deployment.

USNS Brunswick departs Kuching, Malaysia

By Lt. Clyde Shavers

CTF 73 Public Affairs

KUCHING, MALAYSIA

The expeditionary fast transport ship USNS Brunswick (T-EPF-6) concluded a port visit to Kuching, Malaysia, Jan. 17. The crew took advantage of the opportunity to experience Malaysia's rich culture following a port visit to Lumut, Malaysia.

"It is important for our Sailors to interact with local communities throughout the region," said Commodore of Destroyer Squadron (DESRON) 7 Capt. Lex Walker. "The experiences they share with partner nations allows the U.S. Navy and partner nations to be even closer."

The Royal Malaysian navy and U.S. Navy

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MERCURY ASTRONAUTS MURAL REMOVED FOR CONSERVATION PRIOR TO PAX RIVER O-CLUB DEMOLITION

By Donna Cipolloni

NAS Patuxent River Public Affairs

PATUXENT RIVER, MD

Preserving a piece of NAS Patuxent River's history, conservators removed a 12-by-20 mural of astronauts Wally Schirra, Alan Shepard, Scott Carpenter and John Glenn from the wall above the doorway of the abandoned Officers Club — or O-Club — located at Pax River on Cedar Point Road across the street from the Chesapeake Bay. Painted in oil on linen canvas and dedicated in 1986, the large mural, titled "Naval Aviation in Space," was created by artist George McWilliams during the time he was employed at Pax River from 1981-1987 as a draftsman/illustrator.

"It commemorates the early astronauts trained here at the Test Pilot School," Pax River Cultural Resources Manager Mike Smolek said. "McWilliams eventually left Pax River to become a fulltime painter and muralist and this was one of his first major murals."

Smolek explained that the O-Club was a popular assembly space for not only base gatherings but community functions as well, when the base was still accessible to the public.

"It was a large social venue in St. Mary's County for a long time," he added. "Organizations held special dinners and events there and even proms were held there. Thousands of people have seen the mural over the years as they left the building. It represents Pax River's role in national history and emphasizes the significance of what is done here. The Maryland Historical Trust considers it of intrinsic historical value to the base."



Donna M Cipolloni

Conservators pause during the process of removing the large mural Naval Aviation in Space from the wall of the former Officers Club at NAS Patuxent River prior to the buildings demolition. Dedicated in 1986, the mural was painted by artist George McWilliams while he was still employed at Pax River as a draftsman/illustrator. The 12-by-20 mural features astronauts Wally Schirra, Alan Shepard, Scott Carpenter and John Glenn and will be placed in storage at the Patuxent River Naval Air Museum prior to undergoing further conservation efforts.

With the building slated for demolition, saving the mural became a priority. "We were very concerned that, first, this important piece of naval aviation art was beyond salvaging and, second, that we weren't going to be able to find a way to save it," Smolek said. "But the staff at Pax River's Public Works recognized

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Heroes at Home



By Lisa Smith Molinari

My boots were there, sitting next to the front door, a gritty residue of evaporated slush encircling the soles. I would have loved to climb back into bed that morning with Moby our Lab, rather than face my salt-encrusted minivan and an excruciatingly boring To Do list. But I had to get out into the world. I pulled on the unflattering Michelin Man down coat I swore I’d never buy until we moved to “Rhode-Iceland,” slipped into my water-stained boots, and opened the door to the cold January morning.

It may be different for the lucky military families stationed close to the Equator. But for the rest of us, winter — with its grey dormancy and dreary disposition — has a way of making us retreat into our dens like hibernating bears. As soon as the sun abandons us for southern latitudes, humans tend to retract, curl up, nestle themselves away until spring’s resuscitation.

On its face, this seems like a damned good idea. It’s cold outside, so why not fire up the CrockPot, but on lounge pants and binge watch “Ozark” all day?

The problem is that humans aren’t meant to be alone like bears. According to a 2015 study in the journal “Perspectives on Psychological Science,” social isolation and perceived loneliness are potentially damaging to one’s health, with well-established risks of higher rates of cancer, infection, heart disease, arthritis, depression, anxiety, substance abuse, Alzheimers Disease, and dementia. Worse yet, loneliness and isolation can also cause early death. The study by researchers at Brigham Young University found that the subjective feeling of loneliness increases one’s risk of death by 26 percent. Social isolation increases mortality by 29 percent, and living alone shows a 32 percent increase. Loneliness is subjective, however. In a 2012 study, three researchers at the University of California at San Francisco found that most subjects who felt lonely were married, lived with others and were not clinically depressed. While the quantity of relationships is a factor in loneliness, the quality of relationships is relevant, too. But regardless of whether one is actually alone, or just feels lonely, connecting emotionally with

other human beings is essential for good health. Military spouses may find that isolation is a natural response to frequent moves and a lack of community belonging, but the health risks are too serious to ignore. The same way it’s important to drink enough water, eat veggies, exercise, and get your teeth cleaned every six months — it’s important to get out and be with people. During the work-ups leading to my husband’s year-long deployment to Djibouti, a friend contacted me about forming a weekly “Lunch Bunch” with two other wives. I was a bit of a loner, but something told me that I needed this, so I agreed. We met each week at different restaurants, using the alphabet as our guide. The first restaurant name started with an A, the second started with a B, and so on. Initially, our lunches were typical housewife affairs with gossip and discussion about the latest hot dip recipes. But soon, our rendezvous took on a rebellious quality, à la “Thelma and Louise.” We whispered like middle schoolers, heckled waiters, talked over each other, and on many occasions, laughed until we cried about the absurd realities of marriage, sex, parenting, minivans, in-laws, and the latest Anna Nichole Smith drama. We started keeping a journal, chronicling the best and worst dishes, memorable quotes, cute waiters, and frequent moments of hilarity. By the time my husband returned from deployment, the Lunch Bunch had almost whizzed through the alphabet twice. We had guzzled more than one hundred Diet Cokes, eaten thousands of french fries, and laughed until we lost bladder control on countless occasions. I never wanted it to end, but military orders soon sent us overseas. Despite all those french fires, the weekly lunches with my friends had kept me healthy during the deployment ... and apparently, alive! So, even in winter, when everything looks dead as a doornail and the wind cuts like a knife, resist the urge to retreat into your cocoon. Put on your boots, open the door, and get out into the world.

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Humanities class visits Boston Museum of Fine Arts

By MC2 Jess Lewis
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NEWPORT, R.I.

A group of 14 U.S. Naval War College (NWC) students visited the Boston Museum of Fine Arts on Jan. 10 as part of a humanities elective course offered at NWC. Students taking the “Leadership and War Viewed through the Humanities” class taught by Yvonne Masakowski, an associate professor in NWC’s Leadership and Ethics Department visited the museum as a supplement to the course they are taking. “I started to bring the students to the museum as a means of viewing art of historic importance,” said Masakowski. “During times of war, artists often create art in response to war events. Art brings history to life for my students. It allows them to engage with the art and reflect on how art was created to share society’s response to war and its aftermath.” This is the third year Masakowski has taught the class and brought students to the museum. The class is a popular electives course that students can take while studying at NWC. It combines the art, music, literature of each war era beginning with the American Revolution through the Vietnam War. Masakowski added that it’s important to understand the historical context of each war era and the role the humanities has played to convey society’s response to war. Thomas Culora, dean of NWC’s Center for Naval Warfare Studies Department, was invited by Masakowski to participate in the museum tour. Culora is a renowned, professional artist and his descriptions helped facilitate each

student’s understanding of the artist’s intent and the historical significance of the paintings. Culora’s perspective on art history and culture help students understand the impact of war on society. “I am always very happy to see how interested, introspective and serious the students are when they tour the museum,” said Culora. “It is clear to me they are truly seeking to understand the world more fully in their role in it as a defense or military professional. It is always a privilege to be able to lead the students through this experience.” Following the museum visit, students are tasked to write a two-page reflection paper on a painting they saw during their museum visit. “I chose a painting by Jackson Pollock,” said Stephanie Dantzer, a NWC student in Masakowski’s class. “Normally I’m drawn to the impressionists like Claude Monet and Pierre Auguste Renoir, but this one is an abstract expressionism piece and the painting chose me. My first impression was that it was a beautiful, complicated and messy painting. This painting reflected all of the events and experiences of my life, both good and bad. It showed my travels, education, jobs, family and friends; all of the decisions I’ve made and how I made those decisions. This painting is my life: the raw, unadulterated version of me.” Masakowski added that her students always enjoy the visit to the museum as it expands their knowledge and appreciation for art and its link to history. “I’d offer that the museum specifically and the class collectively provides an exceptional personal and professional development opportunity,” said Army Maj. Joseph Mayeaux, an-

other NWC student in Masakowski’s class. “I think it affords us the unique opportunity for comparative reflection. I think studying leadership and war through the prism of the humanities is an asymmetric approach of sorts. It offers us not only another level of analysis or a different approach to studying leadership and war, but the opportunity to do so in the most intimate context of human emotion.” NWC is a one-year resident program that graduates about 600 resident students and about 1,000 distance learning students each year. Its primary mission is to educate and develop future leaders. Additional missions include: helping to define the future Navy and its roles and missions, supporting combat readiness, strengthening global maritime partnerships, promoting ethics and leadership throughout the force, contributing knowledge to shape effective decisions through our John B. Hattendorf Center for Maritime Historical Research, providing expertise and advice to the international legal community through the Stockton Center for the Study of International Law. Students earn Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) credit and either a diploma or a master’s degree in National Security and Strategic Studies or Defense and Strategic Studies. Established in 1884, U.S. Naval War College is the oldest institution of its kind in the world. More than 50,000 students have graduated since its first class of nine students in 1885 and about 300 of today’s active duty admirals, generals and senior executive service leaders are alumni. For more news from Naval War College, visit www.navy.mil/local/nwc/.



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USS Chafee returns from Western Pacific deployment

From Naval Surface Force
U.S. Pacific Fleet Public Affairs

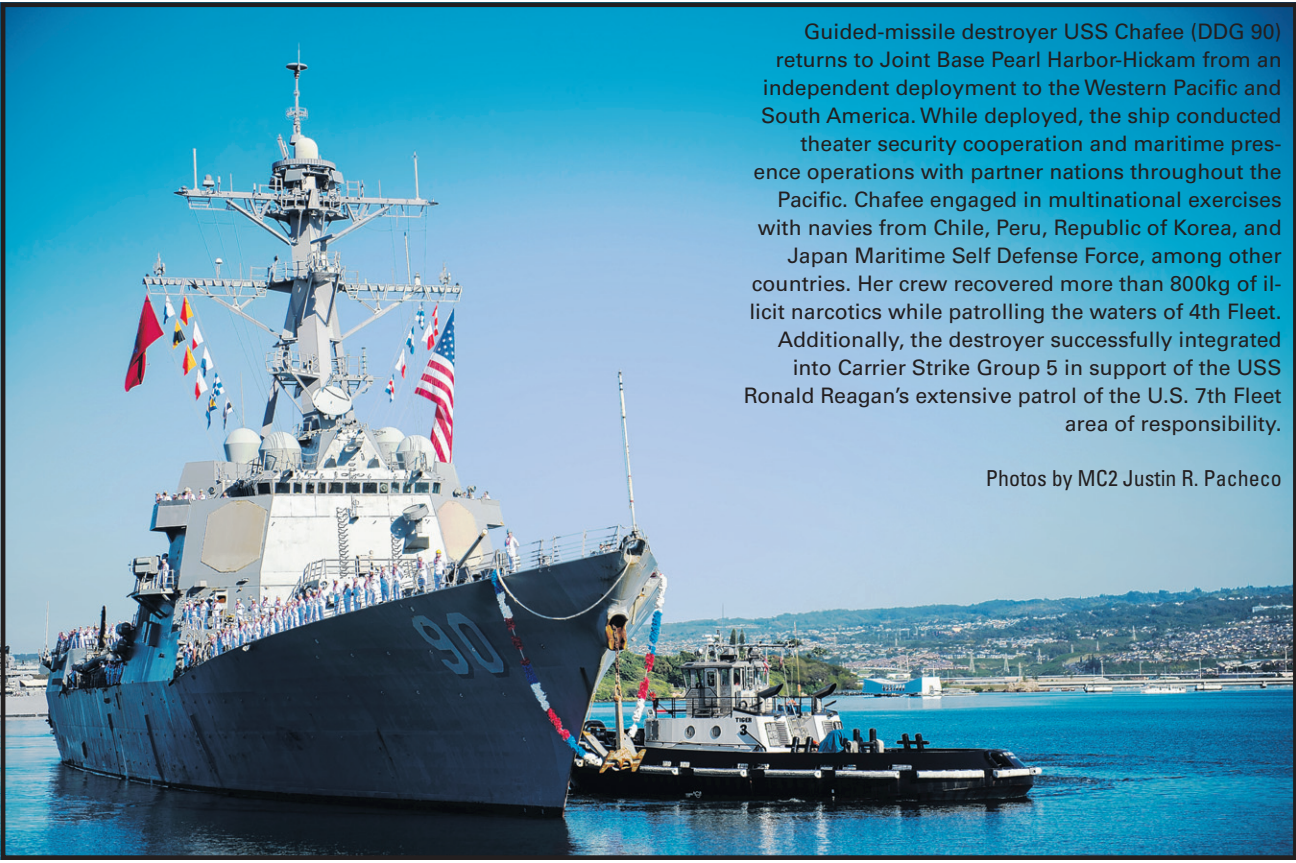
PEARL HARBOR

The guided-missile destroyer USS Chafee (DDG 90) returned to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam from an independent deployment to the Western Pacific and South America Jan. 12.

Chafee has a crew of nearly 350 officers and enlisted Sailors and is a multi-mission ship designed to operate independently or with an associated strike group. The embarked maintainers and pilots from Helicopter Maritime Strike Squadron (HSM) 37 served as the air support for the ship throughout the deployment.

While deployed, the ship conducted theater security cooperation and maritime presence operations with partner nations throughout the Pacific. Chafee engaged in multinational exercises with navies from Chile, Peru, Republic of Korea and Japan Maritime Self Defense Force, among other countries. Her crew recovered more than 800kg of illicit narcotics while patrolling the waters of 4th Fleet. Additionally, the destroyer successfully integrated into Carrier Strike Group 5 in support of the USS Ronald Reagan's (CVN 76) extensive patrol of the U.S. 7th Fleet area of responsibility.

"The superior performance of Chafee on deployment is a testament to the hard work and sacrifice of all the men and women serving aboard," said Chafee Commanding Officer Cmdr. Jacob Braun. "Their teamwork, positive attitude and spirit ensured Chafee was always pre-



pared to execute tasking."

Chafee was named after the late Sen. John Lester Hubbard Chafee, a Marine veteran who fought in the Battle of Guadalcanal and served as the secretary of the Navy. The ship was last deployed to the Western Pacific and South America in 2015.

Chafee is part of U.S. Naval Surface Forces and U.S. 3rd Fleet. Third Fleet leads naval forces in the Pacific and provides realistic, relevant training necessary for an effective global Navy, working constantly with U.S. 7th Fleet. The forces of both fleets complement one another across the spectrum of military operations in the Pacific.

For more information on Chafee visit the ship's website at www.public.navy.mil/surfor/ddg90/Pages/default.aspx

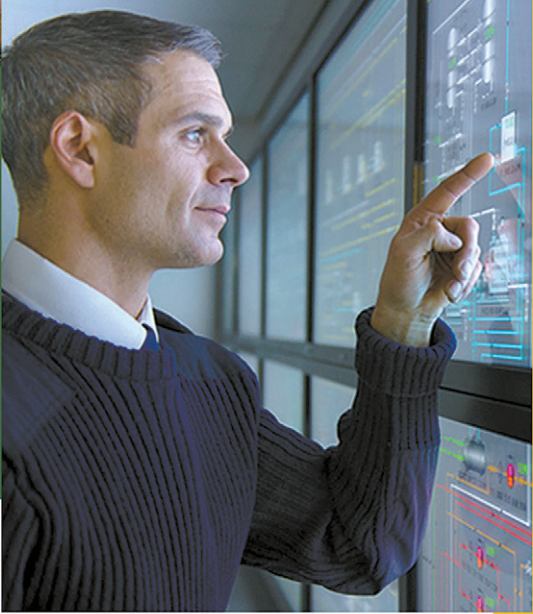
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Damage Controlman 1st Class Cory Webb, right, shares the first kiss with his wife upon the return of the guided-missile destroyer USS Chafee (DDG 90) to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam from an independent deployment to the Western Pacific and South America.



Guided-missile destroyer USS Chafee (DDG 90) returns to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam after completing an independent deployment to the Western Pacific and South America.



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Partnerships matter at IWTC Corry Station

From Center for Information Warfare Public Affairs

PENSACOLA, FLA.

Maritime security requires cooperative solutions and strong partnerships. They require navies, like the United Kingdom’s, that are willing to patrol international waters and share critical information with regional partners to combat criminal activities around the globe.

One example of this type of strong partnership between the U.S. Navy and Royal navy is evident everyday at Information Warfare Training Command (IWTC) Corry Station.

Chief Cryptologic Technician Paul Thomas, a Royal navy Sailor, serves at IWTC Corry Station through the Personnel Exchange Program (PEP). Thomas is billeted as an instructor, fully integrated with the U.S. military and civilian staff.

According to Thomas, the U.S. and U.K. navies share a common naval heritage and legacy of cooperation and partnerships since the first half of the 19th century. “During WWII, our nations collaborated along with other Allies to decrypt the German ‘Enigma’ cipher. Poland was able to initially break the code and shared that ability with their French and British Allies,” shared Thomas. “The ‘codebreaking’ ability was improved within Bletchley Park and information was then shared across this network of partners as an invaluable source of military intelligence throughout the rest of the war.”

“The Navy’s Personnel Exchange Program is just one example of the U.S. Navy working closely with the Royal navy to increase security and prosperity worldwide,” said Information Warfare Training Command Corry Station Commanding Officer Cmdr. Chad Smith. “Chief Thomas is a seasoned maritime warfighter, and truly vital to the training and readiness of our information warfare force.”

“I have the ability to share knowledge from my own country’s history and heritage, teaching students from a slightly different perspective that otherwise might not be afforded to them,” said Thomas.

The combined partnership between IWTC Corry Station and the Royal navy bolsters opportunities to build and improve shared national interests. This strong cooperative partnership will ensure the U.S. and Royal navies remain at the forefront of the information warfare and maritime domains.

IWTC Corry Station, as part of the Center for Information Warfare Training, provides a continuum of training to Navy and joint service personnel that prepares them to conduct information warfare (IW) across the full spectrum of military operations.

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U.S. Navy photo

Royal navy Cmdr. Katherine Clare, left, British defense staff with the British Embassy in Washington, D.C., and Royal navy Chief Cryptologic Technician Paul Thomas, instructor at Information Warfare Training Command (IWTC) Corry Station pose for a photo outside IWTC Corry Station headquarters during Cmdr. Clare’s visit Jan. 9–10, 2018. Clare visited the Center for Information Warfare Training and IWTC Corry Station to tour training facilities and discuss future information warfare training integration with the United States and United Kingdom.

USS Frank Cable marks 40th anniversary of ship’s christening

By MCSN Randall W. Ramaswamy

USS Frank Cable Public Affairs

PACIFIC OCEAN

The crew of the submarine tender USS Frank Cable (AS 40) celebrated the 40th anniversary of her christening while transiting the Pacific Ocean, Jan. 14.

Frank Cable was christened Jan. 14, 1978 at Lockheed Shipbuilding and Construction Company in Seattle. The Ship’s Sponsor, Rose S. Michaelis, wife of Adm. Frederick H. Michaelis, then chief of naval material, smashed a bottle of champagne across the bow and bestowed the name ‘USS Frank Cable’, after the pioneer of early submarine development.

Cmdr. Tony Pecoraro, executive officer of Frank Cable, led the ceremony and crew in celebration of Frank Cable’s 40 years of naval service. The crew celebrated by proposing a toast to her sponsor, Mrs. Rose S. Michaelis, to Frank Cable, and to the United States Navy.

“For 40 years Frank Cable Sailors have supported both submarine and surface combatants in protecting the nation,” said Pecoraro. “With great pride and outstanding dedication, the men and women of Frank Cable have deployed globally in every theater, ensuring our submarines, and surface ships are ready for the fight. It truly is an honor to be part of this crew and to participate in this special occasion.”

Following the toasts was a cake-cutting ceremony involving a Military Sealift Command civilian mariner who has served aboard Frank Cable the longest and a Sailor who most recently reported to Frank Cable while in Pearl Harbor.

During its 40 years of service, Frank Cable participated in events such as rescue and recovery of Korean Airline Flight 801 crash on Guam, recovery and



MC3 Heather C. Wamsley

Cmdr. Tony Pecoraro, executive officer of the submarine tender USS Frank Cable (AS 40), left, and Command Master Chief Wade Tandberg, cut a cake during a celebration commemorating the 40th anniversary of the ship’s christening on the mess deck, Jan. 14. Frank Cable, forward-deployed to Guam, repairs, rearms and reprovisions deployed U.S. Naval Forces in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region.

clean-up efforts following Super Typhoon Paka, and she was the first U.S. Navy ship to visit Cam Ranh Bay, Vietnam during the 21st anniversary of the normalization of diplomatic relations.

“I think our ship’s sponsor, Mrs. Rose Michaelis, would be proud Frank Cable is still ready and able, and still relevant to combatant commanders,” said Capt. Jeff Farah, Frank Cable’s commanding officer. “Her spirit lives throughout the ship and through the work and deeds we do. From supporting our forward-deployed Naval Forces to our community outreach programs, as we do today and have done for the last four decades.”

Frank Cable is one of two submarine tenders that are forward deployed to Guam to repair, rearm and reprovisions deployed U.S. Naval Forces in the Indo-Pacific region are part of the 15 ships in Military Sealift Command’s Service Support Ship Program.

For more news from USS Frank Cable (AS 40), visit www.navy.mil/local/as40/.

NOMINEE CALL FOR LANGUAGE PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

From Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs

WASHINGTON

The Navy Language, Regional Expertise, and Culture (LREC) Office (OPNAV N13F) is seeking nominations for the Fiscal Year 2017 Language Professional of the Year (LPOY), Linguist of the Year (LOY), and Command Language Program of the Year (CLPOY).

LOY and LPOY are awards presented to active duty, reserve, and civilian members with foreign language capabilities who have distinguished themselves in support of the Navy’s LREC mission. The CLPOY award recognizes the year’s top command language program in the Navy.

Nomination procedures are outlined in OPNAV Instruction 1650.31 for the command language program and in OPNAV Instruction 1650.32 for language professional and linguist awards. All packages for language professional and linguist awards must include an essay written by the nominee.

The essay should describe a language program that would raise the minimum standard Defense Language Proficiency Test (DLPT) score of unit linguists to 3/3 (listening and reading). Submissions

shall address training gaps and describe language training plans that would be provided to a command team. Plans should include training mechanisms to maintain and increase the DLPT scores of future linguists who will graduate at the new minimum 2+/2+ from the Defense Language Institute and provide training programs to increase the DLPT scores for legacy linguists who graduated at the 2/2 level.

The essay can be no more than five double-spaced, typewritten pages, not including references or footnotes.

The deadline to submit nomination packages to OPNAV N13F is March 30. Packages can be emailed to ALTN_N13F1@navy.mil. Questions may be directed to Master Chief Petty Officer David Gutierrez at (703) 604-5519 or via email at ALTN_N13F1@navy.mil.

For more information on language and culture programs, visit www.public.navy.mil/BUPERS-NPC/career/language_culture/pages/default2.aspx.

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USS Lake Champlain completes ordnance onload

By MC1 Nathan R. Carpenter
USS Lake Champlain Public Affairs

SEAL BEACH, CALIF.

The guided-missile cruiser USS Lake Champlain (CG 57) completed an ordnance onload at Naval Weapons Station Seal Beach, Jan. 12, in preparation for deployment to the Western Pacific.

The five-day process involved transferring Tomahawk missile containers from storage to the pier, removing them from a protective brace, rotating them to a vertical position, and using a crane to lift them onto the ship, prior to placing them in the missile cells.

“The crew did a fantastic job preplanning and orchestrating the deployment onload,” said Capt. Jen Ellinger, commanding officer of Lake Champlain.

Despite several rainy days and high winds that suspended the operation several times, the onload was completed on schedule. Per-

sonnel from Lake Champlain’s weapons department worked alongside civilians from the weapons station to safely and efficiently load the ordnance.

“They were so organized that they were able to overcome the weather setbacks so that we were able to complete the onload and depart on time,” said Ellinger.

While organization is an important factor in working quickly, it is also a critical component of safety. Hot-work, open flames and the use of flammable materials like paint are prohibited during the onload. Use of radio equipment, including cell phones, is also restricted.

As an Aegis-equipped cruiser, Lake Champlain provides air and missile defense to the aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson Strike Group. The Ticonderoga-class guided-missile cruiser is operated by more than 350 Sailors and carries Tomahawk missiles, standard SM-2 surface to air missiles, two 5-inch dual purpose guns, and two SH-60 Seahawk helicopters.



MCSN Jeffery Southerland

The guided-missile cruiser USS Lake Champlain (CG 57) departs San Diego for a regularly scheduled deployment. Lake Champlain is deploying to the Western Pacific as part of the Carl Vinson Strike Group.

USS Michael Murphy departs for deployment to Western Pacific

By MC3 Jasen Moreno-Garcia
Carl Vinson Strike Group Public Affairs

PACIFIC OCEAN

The guided-missile destroyer USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112) departed Pearl Harbor, Hawaii on Jan. 15, for a regularly scheduled deployment to the Western Pacific with the Carl Vinson Strike Group.

Michael Murphy deployed with a crew of approximately 320 Sailors and a detachment of MH-60R helicopters from Helicopter Maritime Squadron (HSM) 37, the “Easyriders,” based out of Kaneohe Bay. The ship joins the strike group as it transits toward the Western Pacific.

“The crew of USS Michael Murphy has trained extensively for this deployment and is ready to execute all missions as part of the Carl Vinson Strike Group and U.S. 3rd Fleet,” said Michael Murphy Commanding Officer Cmdr. Kevin Louis.

The deployment marks the second time the Carl Vinson Strike Group will operate throughout the Indo-Pacific region under U.S. 3rd Fleet’s command and control. The strike group became the first in recent history to demonstrate a command and control construct called Third Fleet Forward when units completed a six-month deployment last year.

Michael Murphy is a multi-mission ship designed to operate independently or with a surface action group or strike group. The destroyer was commissioned in 2012 and is named after former U.S. Navy SEAL Lt. Michael P. Murphy.

Murphy was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor for his heroic actions during Operation Red Wings in Afghanistan, June 28, 2005. He was the first person to be awarded the medal for actions in Afghanistan and was the first member of the U.S. Navy to receive the



MC1 Nathan Carpenter

The guided-missile destroyer USS Michael Murphy (DDG 108) transits the Pacific Ocean off the coast of Southern California.

award since the Vietnam War.

Michael Murphy operates under Destroyer Squadron 1. The squadron is deployed with Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70), Carrier Air Wing 2, guided-missile cruiser USS Lake Champlain (CG 57) and USS Wayne E. Meyer (DDG 105).

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USS Anchorage departs for NASA’s Orion mission

By MC3 Natalie Byers

SAN DIEGO

The amphibious transport dock USS Anchorage (LPD 23) departed from Naval Base San Diego to conduct an Underway Recovery Test (URT) in conjunction with NASA off the coast of Southern California, Jan. 17.

URT-6 is part of a U.S. government interagency effort to safely practice and evaluate recovery processes, procedures, hardware and personnel in an open ocean environment that will be used to recover the Orion spacecraft upon its return to Earth.

This will mark the fourth time Anchorage will conduct a URT mission with NASA. Throughout the history of the program, a variety of San Antonio-class LPD ships have been utilized to train and prepare NASA and the Navy, utilizing a Boiler Plate Test Article (BTA). The BTA is a mock capsule, designed to roughly the same size, shape and center of gravity as NASA’s Orion crew module.

NASA and Navy teams have taken lessons learned from previous recovery tests to improve operations and ensure the ability to safely and successfully recover the Orion capsule when it returns to Earth following Exploration Mission-1 (EM-1),



MC2 Jesse Monford

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slated for December 2019.

EM-1 will be an uncrewed flight, whose successful completion will pave the way for subsequent crewed missions and enable future missions to the Moon, Mars and beyond.

During URT-6, Anchorage’s specially trained bridge team will be on watch while the ship conducts restricted operations. Small boats carrying Navy divers and NASA’s recovery team will maneuver alongside the BTA to rig tending lines, guiding the capsule to Anchorage as the ship safely operates on station.

Conducting both daytime and nighttime recovery operations, NASA crew members will work alongside the Navy to

manage how the capsule is brought in, set down and safely stored.

NASA plans to conduct three more URT missions before the launch of EM-1.

Anchorage is homeported in San Diego and is part of Naval Surface Forces and U.S. 3rd Fleet.

U.S. 3rd Fleet leads naval forces in the Pacific and provides the realistic, relevant training necessary for an effective global Navy.

For more news from USS Anchorage (LPD 23), visit www.navy.mil/local/LPD23/.

USS Ross conducts live-fire exercises with the Royal Moroccan navy

By Ensign Nicholas L. McGrath

USS Ross Public Affairs

MOROCCAN COAST

The guided-missile destroyer USS Ross (DDG 71) departed Agadir, Morocco, Jan. 13, after a scheduled port visit to participate in exercise African Sea Lion with the Royal Moroccan Navy frigate Tarek Ben Ziyad.

One of African Sea Lion’s objectives is to test and evaluate U.S. and Moroccan ability to conduct coordinated, combined naval surface fire support exercises on the Tan Tan firing range.

“Engagements such as these strengthen the bonds between

the U.S. and our partners as we work peace and prosperity in the region,” said Ross Commanding Officer Cmdr. Bryan S. Gallo. “It was a pleasure working with the Royal Moroccan navy and we look forward to holding additional exercises in the future to maintain the warfighting readiness of both our respective naval forces.”

The ship’s presence in the North Atlantic is a demonstration of Ross’ continued commitment to regional security.

Ross, forward-deployed to Rota, Spain, is on its sixth patrol in the U.S. 6th Fleet area of operations in support of regional allies and partners and U.S. national security interests in Europe and Africa.

U.S. 6th Fleet, headquartered in Naples, Italy, conducts the full spectrum of joint and naval operations, often in concert with allied and interagency partners, in order to advance U.S. national interests and security and stability in Europe and Africa.

For more news from Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Europe and Africa/U.S. 6th Fleet, visit www.navy.mil/local/nafeur/.



MC1 Kyle Steckler

The guided-missile destroyer USS Ross (DDG 71) shoots its 5-inch gun during a live-fire exercise with the Royal Moroccan Navy. Ross, forward-deployed to Rota, Spain, is on its sixth patrol in the U.S. 6th Fleet area of operations in support of regional allies and partners and U.S. national security interests in Europe and Africa.

Fleet Activities Yokosuka sails into 2018 with Type III NWUs available a year early

By Garrett Zopfi

Fleet Activities Yokosuka Public Affairs

YOKOSUKA, JAPAN

The new Navy Working Uniform (NWU) Type III hit the shelves at Fleet Activities (FLEACT) Yokosuka’s Navy Exchange (NEX) uniform shop Jan. 4, allowing Yokosuka’s forward-deployed Sailors the opportunity to purchase the new uniform a year early.

Yokosuka was originally slated to phase in the NWU Type III in 2019, but base officials and Navy Exchange Command (NEXCOM) worked together to ensure the Navy’s forward-deployed forces in Yokosuka receive the uniforms this winter.

“NEXCOM did an absolutely wonderful job working with us [to get the uniforms early],” said Matthew Barnwell, general manager of NEX Yokosuka “Our great relationship with FLEACT Yokosuka resulted in the smoothest rollout of a new uniform I’ve ever seen.”

Barnwell and Yokosuka’s Morale Welfare and Recreation (MWR) team worked together to utilize the Gymnasium on the 4th floor of FLEACT Yokosuka’s Fleet Recreation Center to display uniforms and provide temporary fitting rooms for the rollout.

“The great operating partnership between the NEX, MWR, and CFAY resulted in a large venue like Fleet Gymnasium that accommodates so many so quickly,” added Barnwell.

The goal, according to FLEACT Yokosuka of-

ficials, is to equip the installation’s Sailors with the new uniforms by March 1st.

The new uniforms seem to be a hit among the Yokosuka Sailors purchasing uniforms Jan. 11.

“[The new uniforms] are very light and comfortable,” said Yeoman 3rd Class Kenneth Rivera of FLEACT Yokosuka. “These new Type III’s off the rack feel like a broken-in NWU that you’ve worn for a while, so you know they’re only going to get more comfortable.”

“Of the working uniforms I’ve worn, this is my favorite- the blueberries can’t even compare,” said Capt. Gary Clore of U. S. 7th Fleet using the favored name of the blue camouflage. “They are a lot better and show an expeditionary mindset which is the look we need.”

The excitement of new uniforms was apparent to the staff at the NEX as they fit Sailors with the Type III NWUs.

“Everyone is excited to get these so early,” said NEX sales associate Ariza Takyu. “It’s so nice to see the Sailors so excited and I know they will be more comfortable.”

FLEACT Yokosuka provides, maintains, and operates base facilities and services in support of 7th Fleet’s forward-deployed naval forces, 71 tenant commands, and more than 27,000 military and civilian personnel.

For more news from Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka, visit www.navy.mil/local/cfay/.

AMERICA AND SAN DIEGO DEPART GUAM

By MC3 Vance Hand

USS America Public Affairs

GUAM

The amphibious assault ship USS America (LHA 6) and the amphibious transport dock ship USS San Diego (LPD 22), both part of the America Amphibious Ready Group (ARG), along with embarked 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), departed Guam Jan. 12 following a scheduled port visit.

As the first port visit together in the Indo-Asia-Pacific, many of the Sailors and Marines of America and San Diego had been looking forward to visiting the beautiful island for the first time.

“I’ve never been to Guam before, but it was a really good time,” said Capt. Michael Smith, troop embarkation officer for the 15th MEU aboard San Diego. “Everyone is so friendly and overall it’s been such a fun place to be. I spent time on the beach, walked around the island and ate some good food.”

During their time in Guam, the crews also brought on supplies, conducted routine maintenance, participated in community service projects, and experienced the unique culture and sights on the island.

America’s Chaplain, Cmdr. Mike Foskett, organized the three community service projects for America. On Jan. 8, the crew visited Oceanview Middle School, where 25 Sailors and Marines spoke with students about military life and service.

“It was fun getting to spend time with the kids and to talk with them about who we are and what we do,” said Religious Program Specialist 2nd Class Anais Fernandez, one of the volunteers at the event. “The kids were amazing and I hope we get to come back to spend more time with them.”

America’s crew members also visited the Catholic Social Services Adult Day Care Center on Jan. 9 where they had an opportunity to interact with the elderly and share experiences and stories.

“It was a rewarding experience,”

said Foskett. “The crew worked hard to help visit the Adult Day Care and school, assisted in cleaning beaches, and get to know some of the people of Guam.”

While in port, both crews had the chance to explore the island, seeing sights and interacting with locals.

“It was refreshing to be able to relax and unwind at such an amazing place,” said Logistics Specialist 3rd Class Anthony Campbell, a Sailor assigned to America. “The beaches, the food, the people, everything was amazing and I think being here was a good thing to do before going back to sea.”

Marines assigned to the 15th MEU and the crew of America spent the first few days of the port visit conducting a vehicle wash down. The agricultural wash down and inspection process is a requirement for re-entry into the United States by the United States Department of Agriculture and Customs’s and Border Patrol. The purpose of the evolution was to ensure that no contraband or foreign invasive species in the form of dirt, debris or pests are introduced to the United States.

The America Amphibious Ready Group, with embarked 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit, is operating in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region to strengthen partnerships and serve as a ready-response force for any type of contingency.

Seventh Fleet, which celebrates its 75th year in 2018, spans more than 124 million square kilometers, stretching from the International Date Line to the India/Pakistan border; and from the Kuril Islands in the North to the Antarctic in the South. Seventh Fleet’s area of operation encompasses 36 maritime countries and 50 percent of the world’s population with between 50-70 U.S. ships and submarines, 140 aircraft, and approximately 20,000 Sailors in the 7th Fleet.

For more information on America, visit: www.issuu.com/ussameric-alha6, www.public.navy.mil/surfor/AMERICA/Pages/default.aspx, www.facebook.com/USSAMERICA, www.navy.mil/local/lha6/.

Texas visits Sasebo during Indo-Asia-Pacific deployment

By MC2 Elesia K. Patten

Submarine Group 7 Deputy Public Affairs

SASEBO, JAPAN

The fast-attack submarine USS Texas (SSN 775), arrived at Fleet Activities Sasebo, Jan. 17 for a visit as part of its deployment to the Indo-Asia-Pacific region.

The visit strengthens the positive alliance between the U.S. and Japan through the crew’s interaction with Japanese Maritime Self-Defense Forces. It also demonstrates the U.S. Navy’s commitment to regional stability and maritime security in the U.S. 7th Fleet area of operations.

With a crew of approximately 150, Texas will conduct a multitude of missions and maintain proficiencies of the latest capabilities in the submarine fleet.

Measuring 377 feet long and weighing more than 7,900 tons, Texas is capable of executing a multitude of missions including anti-submarine warfare, anti-surface ship warfare and shallow water operations.

For more news from Commander Submarine Group 7, visit www.navy.mil/local/csg7/.

TSC develops well rounded Sailors for the Fleet

By Brian Walsh
Training Support Center Public Affairs

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In addition to A School training where students learning their rates Training Support Center (TSC) Great Lakes continue the sailorization process to prepare them for the Fleet.

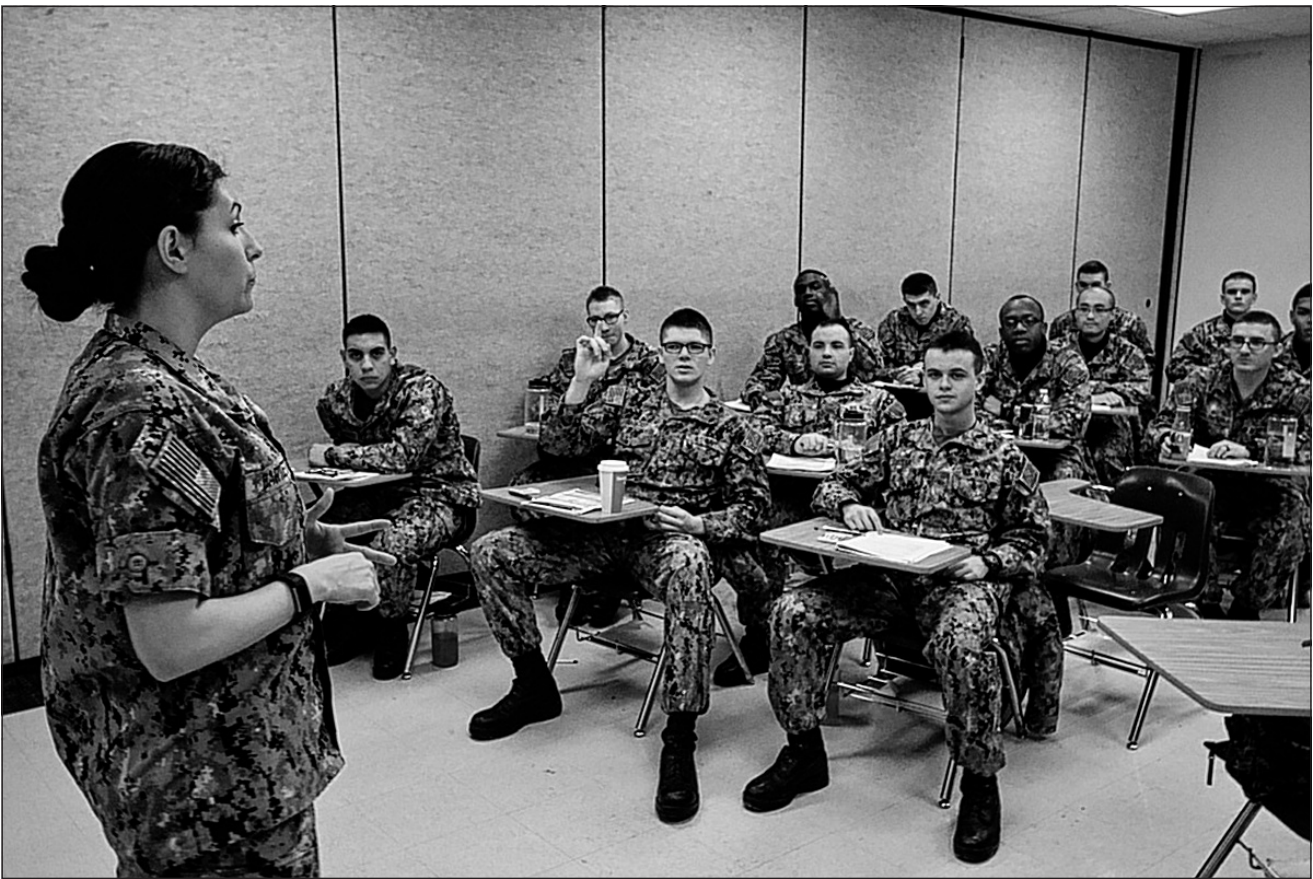
Navy Military Training Instructors (NMTI) at TSC provide a wide range of activities meant to provide Sailors a full experience of what is expected from the U.S. Navy, including weekly after-hours training sessions covering a wide range of subjects.

“The Sailors we a responsible for are still new to the Navy,” Leading Chief Petty Officer for Staff/Student Training Department Chief Fire Controlman Daniel Erickson said. “Boot camp is the only exposure they have had to the Navy. While they are at TSC it is our goal to build a well-rounded Sailor. We want to provide the Fleet a Sailor that not only knows the basics of their rate, but also, understands our history, how to conduct themselves on and off duty, ways to stay healthy, and how to work as a team to prevent harm to come to their shipmates.”

Topics range from military etiquette and courtesy, code of conduct, stress management, and career management to historical subjects such as the battle of Wake Island and Coral Sea. The current week starting January 15 instructors are holding classes on how nutrition has an effect on day-to-day performance.

“We communicate to the students that ‘working out is only half the battle,’” NMTI Logistics Specialist 1st Class Laurie Motley, coordinator for the Navy Military Training at TSC said. “You also have to eat right in order to be in the best physical and mental shape in order to carry out the mission. What they eat will determine how they perform or feel mentally and physically,”

NMTI’s make up approximately 80 percent of TSC’s enlisted military staff and most of them are stationed full-time



Photos by Brian Walsh
Navy Military Training Instructor Boatswain's Mate 1st Class Cynthia Bartlett at Training Support Center (TSC) holds a training seminar for students at the command. TSC continues the overall sailorization process started at Recruit Training Command to prepare Sailors for the Fleet.

in ships (barracks) of up to 400 Sailors providing around-the-clock mentorship.

“Navy Military Training Instructors (NMTIs) are responsible for mentoring a population of 4,000 (primarily 18 to 24-year-old) students. They provide guidance and encouragement to the students for them to make the right decision rather than the wrong one,” Commanding Officer of Training Support Center Mark Meskimen said. “Not only are the NMTIs providing these students mentoring but they are providing them the necessary skills and training needed to be good Sailors both on and off duty.

TSC staff members also provide indoc classes for all incoming Sailors, routinely conduct inspections of living quarters and uniforms, overseeing watch standing, ensuring general health and wellness, upholding all Navy regulations and standards, and personifying

U.S. Navy statement on USS Fitzgerald and USS John S. McCain consolidated disposition authority accountability actions

From Navy Office of Information

WASHINGTON

Below is a statement released January 16 by U.S. Navy Chief of Information (Acting), Capt. Greg Hicks on Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) charges preferred against individual service members in relation to the USS Fitzgerald (DDG 62) and USS John S. McCain (DDG 56) collisions:

“On 30 October 2017, Admiral William Moran, Vice Chief of Naval Operations, designated Admiral Frank Caldwell as the Consolidated Disposition Authority to review the accountability actions taken to date in relation to USS Fitzgerald (DDG 62) and USS John S. McCain (DDG 56) collisions and to take additional administrative or disciplinary actions as appropriate.

After careful deliberation, today Admiral Frank Caldwell announced that Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) charges are being preferred against individual service members in relation to the collisions.

USS Fitzgerald: Courts-martial proceedings/Article 32 hearings are being convened to review evidence supporting possible criminal charges against Fitzgerald members. The members’ ranks include one Commander (the Commanding Officer), two Lieutenants, and

one Lieutenant Junior Grade. The charges include dereliction of duty, hazarding a vessel, and negligent homicide.

USS John S. McCain: Additionally, for John S. McCain, one court-martial proceeding/Article 32 hearing is being convened to review evidence supporting possible criminal charges against one Commander (the Commanding Officer). The charges include dereliction of duty, hazarding a vessel, and negligent homicide. Also, one charge of dereliction of duty was preferred and is pending referral to a forum for a Chief Petty Officer.

The announcement of an Article 32 hearing and referral to a court-martial is not intended to and does not reflect a determination of guilt or innocence related to any offenses. All individuals alleged to have committed misconduct are entitled to a presumption of innocence.

Additional administrative actions are being conducted for members of both crews including non-judicial punishment for four Fitzgerald and four John S. McCain crewmembers.

Information regarding further actions, if warranted, will be discussed at the appropriate time.”

BRUNSWICK | Departs Malaysia

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continue to work closely together through increasingly sophisticated exercises including the annual bilateral Maritime Training Activity (MTA) Malaysia and the Southeast Asia Cooperation and Training (SEACAT) exercise.

“For over two decades, the U.S. Navy and Royal Malaysian navy have shared knowledge and experiences with each other as a way to increase tactical proficiency and enhance mutual capabilities,” said Walker.

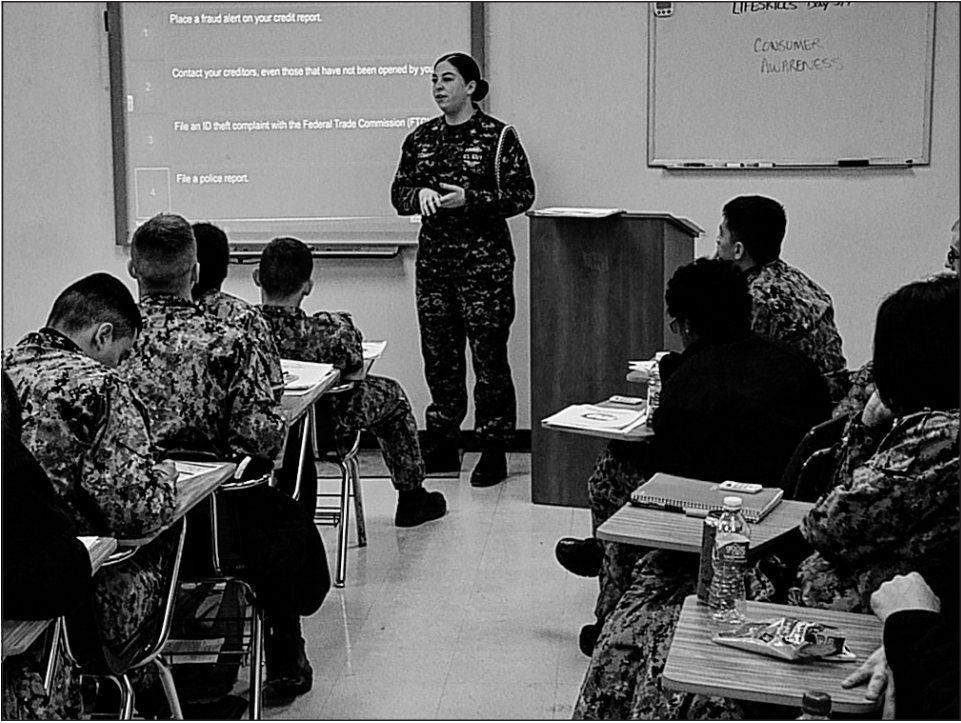
Brunswick is one of three expeditionary fast transport ships in the U.S. 7th Fleet area of responsibility to continue its mission of providing rapid intra-theater transport of troops and military equipment.

“We look forward to strengthening this strong partnership with even greater coop-

erative engagements and more frequent port visits,” said Walker.

As U.S. 7th Fleet’s executive agent for theater security cooperation in South and Southeast Asia, Commander, Task Force 73 and DESRON-7 conduct advanced planning, organize resources and directly support the execution of maritime exercises and engagements, such as Pacific Partnership, the bilateral CARAT series, the Naval Engagement Activity (NEA) with Vietnam and multilateral SEACAT. Task Force 73 and DESRON-7 also tactically control and coordinate maintenance for rotationally deployed LCS.

For more news from Commander, Task Force 73, visit www.navy.mil/local/ctf73/.



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MURAL | Saved from demolition

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its significance and found a way to make it happen.”

The mural was removed, stabilized and placed it into storage with the eventual goal of having it put on display at the Patuxent River Naval Air Museum (PRNAM).

“Ownership will be taken over by the National Naval Aviation Museum in Pensacola, Florida, which is part of the Naval History and Heritage Command,” Smolek said. “Because it’s a heritage asset, however, the painting will not physically leave the area. It’ll be formally loaned to the [PRNAM] and exhibited.”

Prior to removal, conservators cleaned the surface to remove the majority of grime and soiling from the painting’s surface and applied a protective consolidating facing.

“It’s a spun bound tissue that’s put on with an easily reversible adhesive,” explained David Olin, chief conservator and owner of Olin Conservation Inc. “That gives some stability to the paint layers should the process of removing the canvas cause any disruption. The protective consolidating facing holds the paint so it’s not lost.”

Since a strong adhesive was originally used to bind the painting to the wall, the mural was removed mechanically — meaning no solvents were used and nothing was dissolved — by shearing off the drywall paper to which the canvas was still attached and rolling it face-in onto a tube, which was a quicker and less stressful manner of removal.

Once down from the wall, the conservators unrolled the mural to expose the back and do additional work to prepare it for interim storage and further conservation, then rolled it again face-out, which is the proper way to store it. Eventually, any remaining paper backing and original adhesive will need to be completely removed.

“The pH of the original wall substrate, as well as mold which had developed in the support layers, had damaged the canvas and was beginning to undermine the bond of the paint,” Olin said. “With the ultimate goal

being to install a new support to the mural for exhibit purposes in a new venue, any material remaining in the back of the canvas would be damaging and make for a non-uniform installation. It will need to be removed to expose the original canvas and allow for long-term consolidation and re-installation of the mural.”

The mural had been hanging in the empty building for a number of years, but managed to weather the adverse conditions.

“The corner above Schirra was a little more damaged and the canvas there is a little weaker and more rotted from moisture damage but, relatively speaking, the mural is in fair condition and the paint is quite stable,” Olin said.

As an artist, McWilliams was primarily known for his maritime works in watercolor and pencil, as well as scenes of rural countryside, no doubt reflective of his experience growing up in Southern Maryland. Another of his local murals can be found hanging in the St. Clement’s Island-Potomac River Museum in Coltons Point, Maryland. Unveiled in 1999, that 7 by 20 mural depicts the landing at St. Clement’s Island by English colonists in 1634 and features Father Andrew White, the Jesuit priest who established the first missions in St. Mary’s County.

In an April 26, 2015 Facebook post, McWilliams referenced the Pax River mural, writing “it was challenging, but one of the coolest jobs I ever had the opportunity to work on.”

Currently, the mural is at PRNAM where it will be stored in the museum’s new curatorial facility until funds can be secured to complete its conservation.

“A number of people at Pax and the museum worked hard to keep it from being demolished with the building,” Smolek said. “It’s been salvaged, but we still have a way to go before the mural can once again be exhibited.”

For more news from Naval Air Station Patuxent River, visit www.navy.mil/local/patuxent/.

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Life changes — getting married, having a baby, buying or selling a home, sending a child off to college or retiring — often come with changes to your tax situation. Overlooking these changes when filing your taxes can lead taxpayers to make mistakes that leave money on the table, potentially impacting their refund at a time when the average refund is about \$2,800. Here is a list of common tax mistakes to avoid in the 2018 filing season to help ensure you don't miss any deductions or credits that you deserve.

Using the correct filing status

One of the most common mistakes taxpayers make is selecting the wrong filing status. A taxpayer's filing status can affect which

credits and deductions they're eligible for, the value of their standard deduction and their tax bracket. One situation that can make choosing a filing status difficult is when more than one filing status seems to fit. For example, if a taxpayer with children is in the process of getting a divorce, they may not be sure if they should file as married filing jointly or married filing separately or, in some instances, whether they qualify to file as head of household. In this case, the taxpayers should run the numbers to see if filing jointly or separately is more to their advantage rather than guessing.

In addition, common clerical errors such as mixing up names, forgetting to include information reported on your W-2, 1099 or other forms, or even making mathematical errors can also affect your tax benefits.

Commonly overlooked credits and deductions

Most taxpayers file their taxes using the standard deduction, but you may be eligible for a variety of itemized deductions that could possibly save you more. Also, you may be eligible for "above-the-line" deductions and tax credits, none of which require you to itemize. And it's important to note that the newly passed tax reform generally does not impact these credits or deductions until you file your 2018 tax return in 2019.

Earned Income Tax Credit for lower-income workers:

Twenty percent of eligible taxpayers, particularly lower-income workers, do not claim the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC). De-

pending on their income and the number of children they have, these taxpayers may be eligible for an EITC of \$503 to \$6,242. Since eligibility can fluctuate based on financial, marital and parental status, taxpayers can be ineligible one year and eligible the next.

Under the PATH Act, taxpayers who claim the EITC and who file early will have their refunds delayed until mid-February. Despite the delay, taxpayers should file as they normally would to get their refund as soon as possible.

Education credits:

Depending on your academic program, what year the student is in, income and other

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TCC's Radiography program earns re-accreditation

Tidewater Community College's Radiography program received an eight-year continuing accreditation term from the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT).

"By earning the full eight years of accreditation, students can be sure that the program meets high standards and that, as graduates, they will be ready to take on highly technical aspects, along with patient care responsibilities of the profession," said Ellyn Hodgins, program director.

Eight years is the maximum duration awarded by JRCERT.

TCC'S 72-credit Associate of Applied Science in Radiography features specialized courses in radiography with concentrated study in the basic sciences, mathematics and general education. Grad-

uates boast a 96 percent pass rate on the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) examination, the industry standard.

Students in the program learn on state-of-the-art imaging equipment at the Regional Health Professions Center on the Virginia Beach Campus. The program includes clinical rotations with every major health care system in Hampton Roads.

Graduates work as radiologic technologists in multiple settings that range from hospitals to imaging centers to clinics and doctors' offices, where they are integral members of skilled health care teams.

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Congressional Medal Of Honor recipients to be recognized at 2018 Virginia International Tattoo

From Virginia Arts Festival

In 2018, this April, the Tattoo turns a spotlight on a select group of veterans: recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor. For the past 241 years, the men and women of the U.S. military have demonstrated an unmatched courage. Among countless patriots, a select few stand alone, whose brave actions in the most dire of circumstances went above and beyond the call of duty. These are the men and women who have received the Medal of Honor, the nation's highest award for valor in action against an enemy force which can be bestowed upon an individual serving in the U.S. Armed Services. The most revered and select fellowship that the nation has ever known, the list includes 71 living recipients.

This April 26–29, the Virginia International Tattoo will partner with the Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation to pay homage to those who served and tell their stories of selflessness, courage, friendship, and faithfulness against all odds, with the theme



'Above and Beyond the Call of Duty.'

Words alone are not enough, but with music, song, historic photos and video, and special appearances by living Medal of Honor recipients, the Tattoo will remind us that as Americans, we all live in the company of heroes.

Living recipients in attendance will include:

Walter Joseph Marm, Jr., a Vietnam veteran who served in the U.S. Army for over 30 years. First Lieutenant Marm was awarded the Medal of Honor for his intrepid actions as his unit battled, were outnumbered and attacked from all sides.

Bruce Crandall, a Vietnam veteran who was inducted into the Army Aviation Hall of Fame. Major Crandall flew his helicopter into the heat of battle, and while taking fire rescued the wounded, completing an astonishing 22 battlefield flights in a single day.

Harvey C. "Barney" Barnum, Jr., a Vietnam veteran whose initiative, calm and heroic conduct reflected great cred-

it upon himself as he gave aid to the wounded, acting with complete disregard for his own safety. First Lieutenant Barnum served in the Marine Corps with distinction for nearly 28 years.

Mike Thornton, a Vietnam veteran directly responsible for saving the life of his superior officer and enabling the safe extraction of all patrol members, thereby upholding the highest traditions of the United States Navy.

Returning to the Tattoo this year is Joe Galloway, co-author of "We Were Soldiers Once...And Young," a first-hand account of the Vietnam War that was made into a critically acclaimed film. Galloway was awarded a Bronze Star Medal for rescuing wounded soldiers under fire in Vietnam. Galloway was a special consultant to Ken Burns' production of A Documentary History of the Vietnam War, broadcast locally in Norfolk on WHRO.

Additional living recipients in atten-

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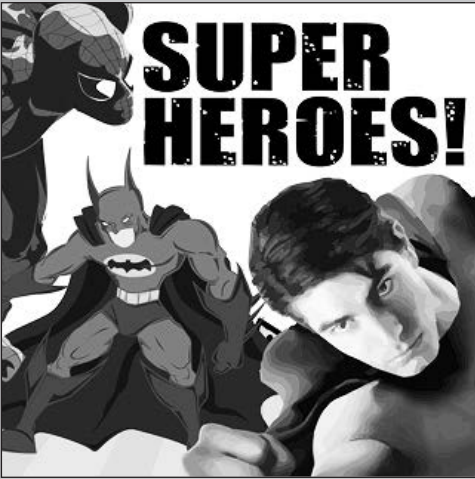
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Valentines For Veterans

- Jan. 26 & 27, 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Free
- Great Neck Library, 1251 Bayne Dr. Virginia Beach, VA 23454
- 757-385-2606
- www.vbgov.com/government/departments/libraries

We supply all the materials you supply the creativity and make a Valentine for a Veteran. We will mail all the valentines you make to the Veterans Hospital in time for Valentine’s Day. Registration is not required. All ages



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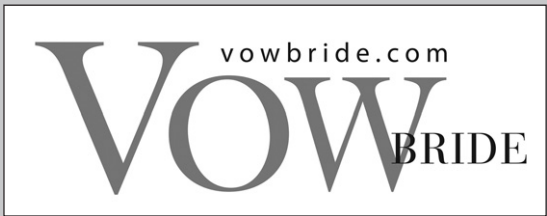
- Jan. 28, 3 p.m. Tickets \$11–\$21
- Sandler Center for the Performing Arts, 201 Market Street, Virginia Beach, VA 23462
- 757-385-2787
- www.sandlercenter.org

Put on your super suit for a super epic adventure! The VSO, side-by-side with the Bay Youth Symphony Orchestra, will perform music from your favorite superhero movies like Superman, Batman, Spiderman and more! This high-energy concert will have you flying high! Pre-concert activities start at 2 pm | Concert starts at 3 p.m.

Recycled Robots: Mini Make It with MOCA.

- Jan. 28 1 a.m. Free
- Virginia Museum of Contemporary Art, 2200 Parks Ave. Virginia Beach, VA 23451
- 757-425-0000
- www.virginiamoca.com

Bring your own recycled robot to life using found objects such as buttons, tins, keys, spoons, broken toys and more! Learn about assemblage art and how artists use everyday objects to make their creations, like many of the artists featured in our current exhibitions.



Vow Bride 18th Annual Bride Event

- Jan. 28, 11 a.m.–4 p.m. Tickets \$10 online, \$15 at the door
- Hampton Roads Convention Center, 1610 Coliseum Drive, Hampton, VA 23666
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- www.vowbride.com

The wedding possibilities in Hampton Roads and beyond are endless. What a thrill to share all of our extraordinary vendors and locations with brides at this annual vendor marketplace event! Vow Bride is recognized as the wedding resource for brides in the Hampton Roads’ area looking for decidedly different vendors to make their “day of” dreams come true.



Suffolk Humane and Suffolk Animal Care Center Host Winter Warm Furrries Adopt-a-thons

Suffolk Humane and Suffolk Animal Care are sponsoring several adopt-a-thons to give people a chance to find that perfect warm furry best friend to cuddle with during the cold weather. Whether their ideal warm furry purrs or wags a tail, one is sure to be found at one of the six scheduled events this winter.

The dates are Jan. 20, Feb. 3 and March 17 at the PetSmart Charities Adoption Center at the Chesapeake Square PetSmart store, 4300 Portsmouth Blvd., Chesapeake, VA 23321 and Jan. 21, Feb. 4 and March 18 at the PetSmart Charities Adoption Center at the North Suffolk PetSmart, 6243 College Dr., Suffolk 23435. All events are

from noon to 3 p.m.

“There is nothing better than having a friendly face waiting to greet you at the door and cuddle with you during these cold months,” said Lee Murphy, adoptions and foster coordinator for Suffolk Humane. “We have so many wonderful pets just waiting to give you their unconditional love. We hope these adopt-a-thons mean that more may have a chance to find a forever home”.

The Suffolk Humane Society is dedicated to promoting the welfare of companion animals in the community through sponsoring spay/neuter programs, placing homeless animals in loving permanent homes, and provid-

ing quality humane education with an emphasis on responsible pet ownership. Visit www.SuffolkHumaneSociety.com each week to get the latest information about the group’s activities and to view the up-to-date photos of the adoptable animals at Suffolk Animal Control, 124 Forest Glen Drive, Suffolk (757-514-7855). Suffolk Humane is volunteer-driven and receives no funds from any agency and is solely dependent on donations. Call Suffolk Humane 757-538-3030 for more information about its programs and activities or visit Suffolk Humane on Facebook.



Owning a home is a big commitment. With it comes a lot of responsibility and a long-term financial relationship.

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RENT VS. OWN: WHICH IS RIGHT FOR YOU?

From Brandpoint

If you’re thinking of buying your first home, you’ve probably wrestled with the decision to rent or own your home — and for good reason.

Owning a home is a big commitment. With it comes a lot of responsibility and a long-term financial relationship.

But which is right for you? To answer that, let’s lean into the facts.

The improving housing market

Good news! Since the depths of the recession, the housing market has made a heroic comeback. That can be attributed to a number of factors, including a drop in unemployment and a stronger economy.

But as the housing market has recovered, it has experienced some growing pains. With a sharp increase in demand, housing supplies are being strained. This means, among other things, that prices are going up.

For families and individuals still recovering financially, finding affordable housing options can be difficult. This applies to home sales and rentals.

Making the decision

With rental and sales markets heading toward record highs, the decision falls back to what is best for you. Specifically, what is financially feasible.

Let’s look at the basic numbers. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the median gross rent paid from 2012 to 2016 was \$949 monthly. Compare that with the median selected monthly owner costs with a mortgage, which was \$1,491 over the same time period.

Then there are utilities. The median monthly electricity cost for renters in 2015 was \$82, with owners paying \$117. For piped gas, the median amount renters pay monthly is \$42, while owners pay \$58.

For renters, it is wise to carry renter’s insurance. Some landlords will also charge maintenance and other fees. Utility costs will also vary depending on the quality of the structure and materials used as well as size of the rental space.

Homeowners will pay property taxes, insurance and an estimated \$500 annually for routine maintenance, according to the Census Bureau.

The benefits of homeownership

At a glance, it may seem that renting is the lower cost option. But there are certain benefits to homeownership that may offset the additional regular costs. According to the Tax Policy Center, the primary benefit to owning a home is imputed rental income. Simply put, making a monthly payment on a home that you own is like paying rent to yourself.

While that money is not taxed, it comes with another benefit — potential tax deductions. When you file your federal taxes, you may be able to deduct a portion of the mortgage interest you pay. Talk to a tax professional for more information on the expenses you can deduct and the limits for those deductions.

Beyond the numbers

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LES MISÉRABLES

THE MUSICAL PHENOMENON, AT CHRYSLER HALL THIS WEEK

By Yiorgio

It is the world's longest running musical, seen by over 70 million people, in 42 countries, and winner of 76 international awards. I am referring of course to

Les Misérables The Musical Phenomenon North American Tour 2017/2018.

Les Misérables is here and thanks to the gracious arrangement that SevenVenues Broadway in Norfolk Series has secured with Jam Theatricals, who present and produce Broadway engagements throughout North America it will be at Chrysler Hall for 6 days, Jan. 23 -28 with 8 glorious performances. A \$25 Student Rush ticket is available for all 8 performances. Offer valid day of show only at the box office, 2 hours prior to show time, with a valid Student ID. Limit 2 per purchase. Tickets range from \$43-\$78 plus applicable fees and more information can be found at www.sevenvenues.com.

In this production of Les Misérables, South Carolina's own Matt Shingledecker plays Enjolras, the leader of the French Revolution. Here is our interview with this delightful, happy and very talented young man.

Yiorgio (Y): *Where were you born and how did you find your way into the world of musical theater?*

Matt Shingledecker (MS): I was born in Charleston, South Carolina and I am very grateful to my parents for sending me to Porter-Gaud School. I went there for 12 years with very college prep, well-rounded person mindset to help you succeed in life curriculum. I did a lot of stuff with the chorus and occasional theatre productions. During my high school years I branched out into community theatre. One of my first musicals was Bat Boy: The Musical at Dock Playhouse, Charleston Stage Company and I made a stipend for months and months of work for maybe \$125.00. At the age of 16 I thought I was rich. That's when I had the thought, I love this, and I got paid to do this, why not try to do this for a living. That's how it all began.

Y: *You were fortunate enough to early in your career to be on Broadway. Tell us about it.*

MS: I went to college at Elon University in North Carolina and my senior year I got very, very lucky and got cast in the Broadway show Spring Awakening before I graduated college. I got my first Broadway show and I continued to have lucky breaks here and there and I have been able to continuously work. That is the main thing I am grateful for that my artistic work has funded my life.

I have done 5 major musical productions: Spring Awakening on Broadway and The National Tour as my first, West Side



Matt Shingledecker plays Enjolras, the leader of the French Revolution.

Story on Broadway was my second, Rent Off-Broadway in the original Revival cast as Roger was my 3rd, Wicked was my 4th, I did The National Tour on Broadway as Fiyero and now this, Les Misérables National Tour. So it's been in the last decade, about every 2 years another major work come along.

Y: *Tell us about the character you play.*

MS: I play Enjolras, the leader of the French Revolution; they are fighting for education of all children. He was of the futuristic mind, that if education could be assured to all people no matter how poor they were, it would secure a democratic or republic rule because the masses would be smart enough to organize against the one per-centers if they needed to. He is also very pragmatic. I have always been drawn to this character even as a kid. I always wanted to play him even more than Marius the lover. There is something about the songs he sang, the vocal prowess of it all, so I was really looking forward to tackling it. After I was cast and preparing for the show, I read the book and loved it. All the musings, the way he paints pictures, the philosophy, all the characters are richly developed.

Y: *Why should people see this musical, what are they going to get out of it?*

MS: The show on the West End has been running for 32 years so there is a magic and a universality that can sustain that sort of a run not to mention how many countries it has been in, how many different versions they are. In terms of the message it is really a morality play and when the protagonist, Jean Valjean says "To love another person is to see the face of God". That abstract statement really resonates, as a message that filters into the rest of Les Miz even though it's so epic it tackles so many other topics which is why it is so special. People need to come and see and hear this because there are parts of the show where you least expect it that the story and music just hits you in a profound way that is indescribable.

Y: *Any wow, pinch me moments in your life?*

MS: I have several. The main thing about West Side Story

was that I got to work with Arthur Lawrence who directed that revival. To work with the guy who wrote it and who had directed amazing things through out his career like La Cage aux Folies, Gypsy The Revival and wrote Gypsy as well to work with him, be directed by him was once in a lifetime.

I got to go to his Brownstone before he passed away. I was the last Tony for West Side Story that he put into the show, the last major actor he worked with before he passed away early the next year. He was amazing to work with. There was something magical being with someone who set the stage and set the history of musical theatre for the last 50 years. A definite pinch me moment was when I went over to his Brownstone to do table work (read the script) just the two of us reading a libretto that he wrote and he read the script with me and watched me at the same time as I read Tony in character. After each scene, we would discuss where I was coming from, what I was going to work on and he was very like mind with me which was nice and I was like, am I really here with this great legend? Pinch me please. And I was also lucky enough that when he wrote a memoir at the end of his life a second one, he mentioned me in a very positive way. That was an affirmative moment that I am doing what I am suppose to be doing in life.

Another wow moment was with Les Miz, when we sang with the orchestra for the first time, just the actors singing, we did not have to do the show, just go up to the mike and sing when your part comes up. So not only do you get to sing your numbers with this massive orchestra but also present were the composer, Claude-Michel Schönberg and the lyricist, Alain Boublil, in our first beautiful theatre where the sound system so wonderful, to sing this musical opera was so powerful and overwhelming, that I was so emotionally and sonically affected I cried tears of joy up to 5 or 6 times.

Yiorgio is a Hampton Roads arts, entertainment and sports writer. A stage, TV and movie actor, he is also an educator, motivational speaker, writer, storyteller and columnist.



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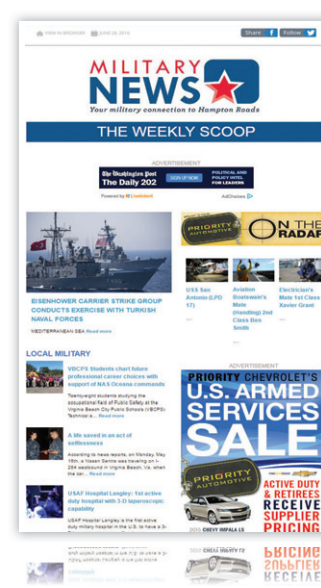
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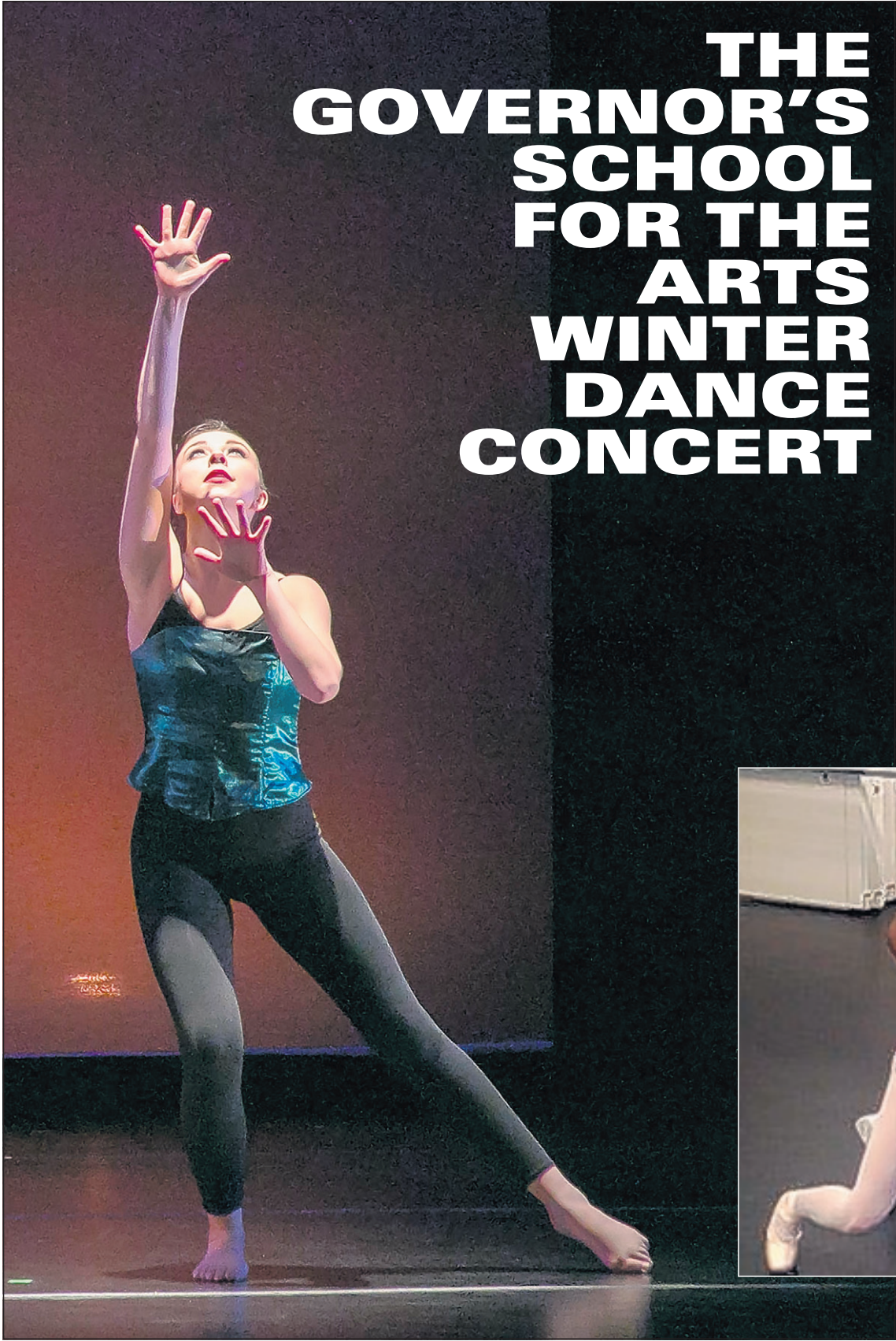


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Join GSA Dance Department, Hampton Roads’ premier pre-professional dance training program, for their annual Winter Dance Concert at the TCC Roper Performing Arts Center, January 25, 26, and 27. The concert features collaborations with the poets from Teens With a Purpose, the GSA instrumental music department, and work from the GSA visual arts department. This evening of dance and music will bring five new dances to premiere at the TCC Roper Performing Arts Center.

This program promises something for everyone. High lighting the evening is a unique collaboration with the poets from Teens With a Purpose. Brought to the stage through the creative process between the poets and the dancers, Joni Petre-Scholz orchestrates all the elements to deliver Disquietude, a powerful dance that brings to life important issue about our youth and society today.

Kathy Brenner presents Ode to Mom’s Piano, a nostalgic look into the music and dances of the 50’s and 60’s. Inspired by the songs her mother played in her childhood home, the choreographer takes both a sentimental and playful journey to the classic songs of the era.

New to our choreographic roster, Joanne Holbrook restages Arrakis.

“Arrakis” is the name of a star and ancient Arabic word for “the dancer”. The concept of Arrakis was first developed with a thought of tangible, physical light. A light with its own dynamic energy that could be controlled by a dancer, but not seen by the audience. The light grows and moves with the dancers in an elegant display of energy, movement and harmony; Arrakis portrays a wonderful balance between life and light in our universe.

Also new choreographer to our program, Kate Matlack presents Liebestraum, or “Love Dream,” is set to Franz Liszt’s composition of the same name. The work is a nod to the Romantic ballets of long ago and focuses on the beauty and warmth that ballet brings to its audience.

Janelle Spruill has created a classical jazz number that will light up the house! Incognito honors the traditions of jazz legends Fosse and Luigi and adds a contemporary twist to the art form. Highly energized and rhythmically sophisticated, this work is a crowd pleaser for all ages.

The Dance Department at The Governor’s School for The Arts offers pre-professional training while encouraging the student’s personal development and artistic expression. The primary focus of the program is ballet and modern dance. This department offers comprehensive studies in ballet, modern dance and jazz techniques as well as dance composition, character, partnering, Pilates conditioning & somatics, pointe, with areas of focus in contemporary repertory and contemporary & classical ballet repertory. The program is designed to prepare students for auditions to prestigious colleges and dance repertory schools for the career-minded dancer.



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Story of WWII ‘Monuments Men’ Explored at Hampton History Museum February 5

From Hampton CVB

Amanda Williams, education manager for the MacArthur Memorial, will present the true story of the heroes who saved tens of thousands of priceless artworks during World War II portrayed in the 2014 hit film “Monuments Men” as part of the Hampton History Museum’s Port Hampton Lecture Series on Monday, Feb. 5, 7:00 p.m.–8 p.m.

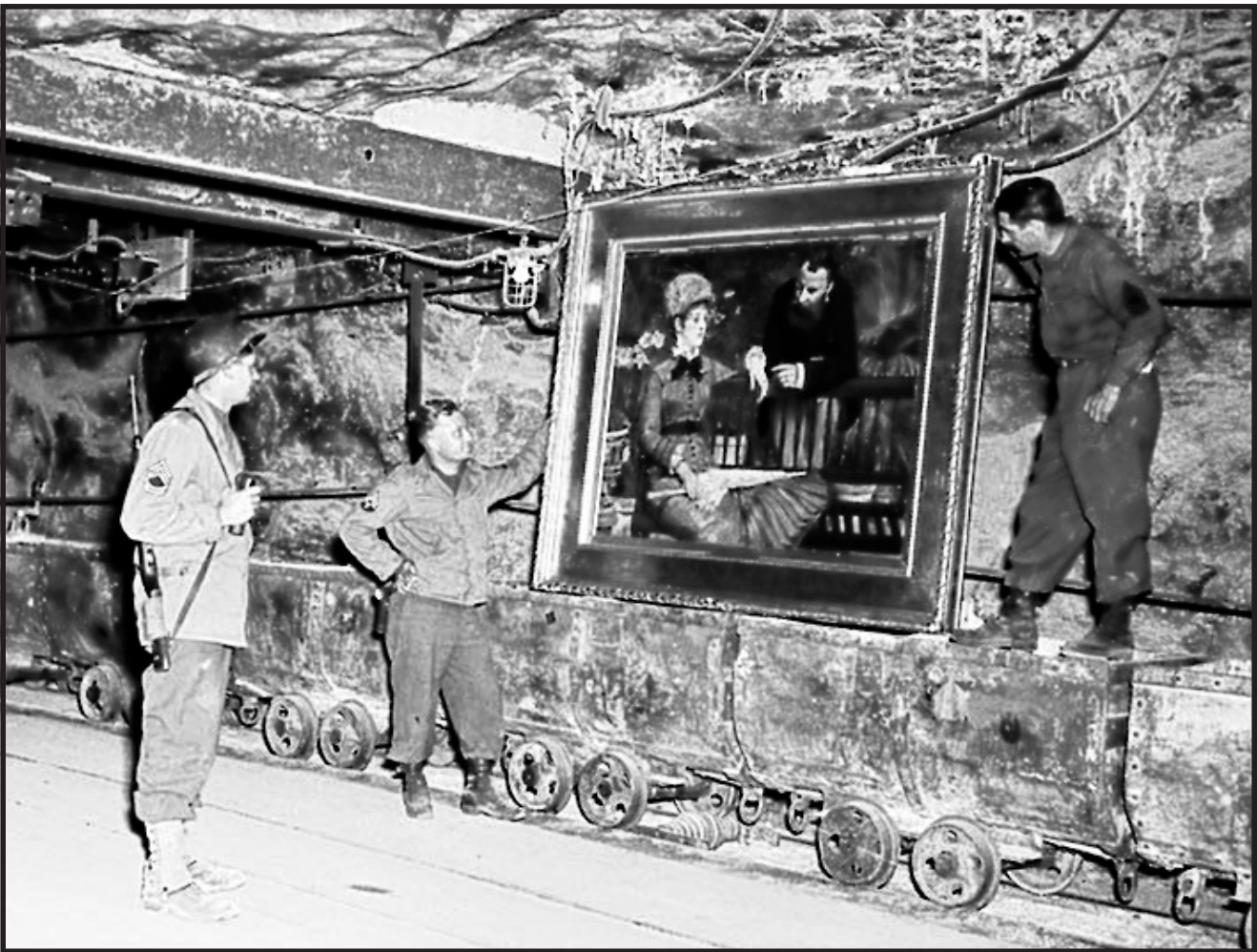
World War II presented an enormous threat to the cultural heritage of Europe and Asia. It also marked the first conflict in which there was a concerted effort by the U.S. military to protect cultural objects and historic buildings. This became known as the Monuments, Fine Arts, and Archives section (MFAA). This project unfolded in different ways in the European and Pacific theaters, but at the forefront of this titanic effort was a handful of dedicated service members known today as the “Monuments Men.”

Throughout the war, and against tremendous odds, this small group was remarkably successful in their efforts to preserve thousands of years of cultural heritage. Without the work of these Monuments Men, the defeat of the Axis Powers in 1945 would have been incomplete.

Amanda Williams is a graduate of Randolph-Macon Wom-



MFAA Officer James Rorimer supervising US soldiers recovering looted paintings from Neuschwanstein Castle.



Anonymous

In this April 25, 1945 image released by the U.S. National Archives, U.S. Army personnel stand by a painting called, “Wintergarten,” by French impressionist Edouard Manet, which was discovered in the vault in Merkers, Germany. Holocaust survivors and their relatives, as well as art collectors and museums, can go online beginning Monday, Oct. 18, 2010 to search a historical database of more than 20,000 art objects stolen in German-occupied France and Belgium from 1940 to 1944. (AP Photo/U.S. National Archives)

an’s College with a B.A. in History and Art History. \She received a MA in History from Old Dominion University. She began her career as an Archaeologist at Historic Jamestown before moving to the MacArthur Memorial in 2009 to serve as Education Manager. She specializes in military history, intelligence studies, and women’s history.

Admission to the talk is free for museum members, \$5.00 for non-members. The Hampton History Museum is located at 120 Old Hampton Lane in Downtown Hampton. There is free parking in the garage across the street from the museum. For more information call 757-727-1102 or visitwww.HamptonHistoryMuseum.org.

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American soldiers standing next to Manet’s “In the Conservatory.”

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Sunday, January 28

1 p.m. Ferdinand (PG)
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12 p.m. Ferdinand (PG)
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TAX | Avoiding common mistakes

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