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## Dahlgren Employees Share Their Careers and Advice at King George Middle School Career Day

By **BARBARA WAGNER**  
South Potomac Pilot

With professionals representing everything from florists to FBI agents, the King George Middle School Career Day demonstrated the vast array of employment opportunities to which the students could aspire. Within that plethora of representatives were employees from across Naval Support Facility (NSF) Dahlgren, including volunteers from the Naval Surface Warfare Center Dahlgren Division (NSWCDD), Naval Support Activity South Potomac (NSASP) and the Air Force 18th Space Control Squadron Detachment One (18th SPCS Det 1).

Lynne Keenan, NSASP Community Planning and Liaison Officer (CPLO), was on hand providing students with the scope of what her job entails and reminding them that there are so many other fields available outside of the ones they are familiar with in their own lives.

"Growing up, I always thought about the typical female career path, and



U.S. NAVY PHOTO BY BARBARA WAGNER

**Airman Chanel Robbs explains to a group of King George Middle School students how 18th SPCS Det 1 tracks satellites using software programming.**

there is nothing wrong with that, but I didn't even know this was a job opportunity until I went to college," Keenan said. "I believe if the children can get an early start and know what's out there, there are so many more jobs and so

much more potential that they've never even heard of."

The 18th SPCS Det 1 was represented by Tech. Sgt. Brittany Spikowski and Airman Chanel Robbs, who displayed two early satellites and explained

the function and mission of the unit: functioning as Distributive Space Command and Control-Dahlgren (DSC2-D) and serving as a Space Situational Awareness Command for the Air Force.

"I have a lot of pride in what I do and in my job," said Spikowski. "I think it's good to get out and share with the students what kind of careers are available in the military."

NSWCDD had two representatives on hand to present students with just a small sample of the many careers available through the organization.

In a conversation with Kristine Hill, supervisor of curriculum and instruction for the King George school district, Bryan Albin, program manager and network engineer at NSWCDD's Weapons Control and Integration Department, shared how his life was impacted by a volunteer who spoke at his high school during a career event.

"When I was a freshman in high

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## CSCS announces its Headquarters 2017 Civilian of the Year

By **KIMBERLY M. LANSDALE**,  
Center for Surface Combat Systems

The Center for Surface Combat Systems (CSCS) recently announced its Headquarters (HQ) Civilian of the Year (COY) for 2017.

Senior logistics management specialist, Mr. Zachary Loesche, was honored to be selected for the award.

"It is a great feeling to know that I work for an organization that recognizes its staff and their accomplishments," Loesche said. "I appreciate CSCS selecting me and it is an honor to represent our civilian workforce."

Loesche, who was selected as Civilian of the Quarter (COQ) for the first quarter of 2017, has been part of the CSCS community for 15 years.

"I have been a government civilian since April 2016 and prior to this position, I have supported both CSCS and one of its learning sites, AEGIS Training and Readiness Center (ATRC), since 2003 in military and industry roles," he explained.

As CSCS' senior logistics management specialist, Loesche manages the personal property management program as the CSCS domain accountable property officer and supports the management of the government commercial purchase card program.

"Additionally, I assist the CSCS infrastructure director with long range facility planning as well as furniture planning and procurement," Loesche explained. "I also interface with our parent command, Naval Education and Training Command (NETC), and other learning centers regarding our requirements for the development of the NETC training resource utilization system."

Loesche's supervisor, Mr. Mark Wright, CSCS infrastructure director, nominated him the award.

"Zack is a true professional, great teammate and vital to CSCS and the Navy," Wright said. "As the senior logistics management specialist, he has numerous responsibilities and takes great pride in his work. This award illustrates his many contributions to our mission and how he goes above and beyond the call of duty."

Ms. Robin Zapert, CSCS executive director (ED), says Loesche's quality of work is exceptional.

"I assumed the ED position in December of 2017 but even though I have only known Zack for a short period of time, his professionalism and work ethic are astounding and he is truly deserving of this award," she said.



U.S. NAVY PHOTO BY MICHAEL BOVA, AEGIS TRAINING AND READINESS CENTER

**Senior logistics management specialist, Mr. Zachary Loesche, is the Center for Surface Combat Systems (CSCS) Headquarters' (HQ) Civilian of the Year (COY) for 2017.**

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# Scholastic Performance, Attendance and Personal Excellence Awarded at Dahlgren School

By **BARBARA WAGNER**  
South Potomac Pilot

Dahlgren School students, parents and educators gathered Feb. 12 to recognize students who raised the bar and achieved academic and personal excellence throughout the last quarter. Naval Support Activity South Potomac (NSASP) Commanding Officer Capt. Michael "Moe" O'Leary was on hand to present the awards and recognize the students who worked so hard over the last quarter.

Six students were recognized for the Distinguished Honor Roll denoting all "A's" for the marking period. Sama Amrani Joutei, Sania Amrani Joutei, Ashley Klobukowski, Marie Nash, Kaili Wert and Ayla Zook were presented certificates for their outstanding academics.

Ryan Bailey, Chae Yeong Kim, Josh Lauritsen, Teghan Lauritsen, Mia Olson, Braiden Rouleau, Kaylee White, Chanz Wiggins, Lilly Wisslead and Jude Wissled all received A/B Honor Roll certificates.

In addition to academics, 19 students with perfect attendance during the last quarter were recognized. Jadrian Arzu, Marlee Baker, Tony Billiot, Kyle Echols, Evaly Martin, William Martin, Emmalin Metcalf, Gabriel Mlynarski, Kiana Mlynarski, Sabel Nickelberry, Isabel Nickelberry, Alissa Thomason, Nathan Thomason, Sean Weekes, Kaili Wert, Tessa Zimmer, Ayla Zook, Grace Zook and Sarah Zook all received a certificate to mark their dedication and attendance.

Special recognition was lauded on seven students who were honored for more than just academics and attendance, but for their excellence in citizenship and outstanding overall performance as well. The prestigious Dahlgren School Tiger award is presented to one student in each grade level who most exemplifies the spirit of the award. This quarter's recipients include Victoria Huynh, Heeji Kim, Mia Olson, Sania Amrani Joutei, Kaili Wert, Lilly Woollet, Ayla Zook and Grace Zook.

Reading Counts Awards went to the two students in each grade



U.S. NAVY PHOTO BY BARBARA WAGNER

**NSASP Commanding Officer Capt. Michael O'Leary presented six students with Distinguished Honor Roll certificates.**



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**Ten students were recognized for their academic performance on the A/B Honor Roll.**

who had achieved the most reading points over the last quarter. Recipients included Logan Alongi, Zane Blake, Zachary Bowen, Aidan Doolen, Kyle Echols, Gabriel Mlynarski, Harper Olsen, Simeon Small, Sophia Welsh, Lilly Wisslead, Tessa Zimmer and Ayla Zook. Zane Blake was also recognized as the student with the most reading points school-wide.

Student-athletes were honored for their season of excellence as well at the assembly. The 2017-2018 basketball team members recognized by Coach Brown were Regan Bailey, Ryan Bailey, Gracie Coker, Salma AmraniJou-

tei, Josh Lauritsen, Teghan Lauritsen, Chuckie Ludwig, Mia Olsen, Marie Nash, Braeden Rouleau, Sean Weekes, Cali Wert, Jude Wisslead, Ashley Klobukowski and Ayla Zook.

The cheer squad team members were recognized by teacher Beth Hankins. Members Kyle Echols, Arabella Jones, Jacen Judd, Madisyn Larson, Alana Stephens, Sophia Welsh, Grace Zook and Sarah Zook were honored for their exuberant support of the basketball team throughout the season.

Congratulations to all of the students honored for their outstanding work in the last academic quarter!



U.S. NAVY PHOTO BY BARBARA WAGNER

**Nineteen students were recognized for their perfect attendance during the second marking period at Dahlgren School.**



U.S. NAVY PHOTO BY BARBARA WAGNER

**Eight Dahlgren students were recognized with the distinguished Tiger Award for their excellence in citizenship and outstanding overall performance during the last quarter.**



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**The top two readers from each grade at Dahlgren School were recognized with Reading Counts awards from Mrs. Thompson.**

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# DOSC 2018 Charitable Donation Deadline Approach

By **BARBARA WAGNER**  
South Potomac Pilot

The Dahlgren Officers Spouses Club (DOSC) is accepting requests from non-profit organizations for funding, as well as applications for the Rosemarie Blades Honorary Scholarship from college-bound students. For the last 17 years, the club has offered assistance to students and organizations benefiting the military and civilian community.

"DOSC recognizes that there are many individuals and neighbors who benefit from the good work that non-profit organizations do for them," Debra Weeks, DOSC charities chair said. "A large part of our mission is to lift up our communities and provide a service that will help enable these critical resources to add much more value."

The organization also recognizes the importance of education and has assisted more than 48 students from all walks of life — chil-

dren and spouses, homeschooled, public and private school, and around the globe including Japan and Portugal. The one thing they all have in common, however, is that at one time in their lives they were stationed at Naval Support Activity (NSF) Dahlgren. Having been stationed aboard Dahlgren is a criterion for students to apply for the scholarship and proof will need to be provided.

"The Dahlgren Officers Spouses Club started the Scholarship program for college-bound students back in 2000 and as of 2016, the group has awarded \$99,000 to students that were selected by the DOSC committee," Rosemarie Blades said.

The awarded money is generated from sales made at the Second Tour Thrift Store located aboard Naval Support Facility (NSF) Dahlgren. Donations of gently-used goods are received from the community and sold at the store. The Second Tour Thrift Store is run strictly by DOSC volunteers. Currently, the thrift store is open on Thursday's, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

"Even though the store is open for such a short period of time, DOSC members volunteer countless hours throughout the week sorting, hanging and displaying the items received. The volunteers work hard to both provide quality items for resale as well as raise as much as possible to give deserving students and non-profit organizations support in their endeavors. It's a win for all involved," Blades said.

Non-profit organizations may apply by sending a description of how your organization serves the community and/or local military and how the organization(s) will benefit.

Scholarship applications may be downloaded at <http://dahlgrenosc.webs.com/scholarshipsandcharities.htm>.

Mail entries to DOSC, Attn. Charities Committee, 722 Sampson Rd., Dahlgren, VA 22448. Entries for both scholarship applications and non-profit requests must be postmarked by March 26, 2018. For more information, call 757-576-7514.

## Career Day

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school I didn't know what I wanted to do for a career," Albin said. "I went to a career day event and met an electrical engineer who had graduated from Drexel University. As a result of that event, I ended up graduating as an electrical engineer from Drexel. I appreciated his time and guidance and helping me to understand what an electrical engineer is."

"We have a lot of students who don't know what they want to be and they are about to graduate," Hill agreed. "They are trying to figure out what that next step is and events like this are great stepping stones."

"I encourage the students to go to college and pursue a path that interests them," Albin said. "You may start off pursuing an engineering degree only to find out that you are interested in another career field. Be flexible. You want to enjoy your career that you will pursue for the next 40 years."

Hill agreed, noting, "You have to love what

you're doing and how you're contributing. There's a lot of pressure [on the youngsters] to decide what they want to be."

"I was an electrical engineering undergraduate and I didn't have a detailed understanding of what kind of job or career I would have," Albin said. "For instance, I had no idea that I would ride ships in support of Navy testing or find my way to NSWC Dahlgren. It's been a great career path for me."

Steve Shannon, an engineer with NSWCDD's Warfare Systems Engineering and Integration Department, was also on hand with a num-

ber of projectiles, an unmanned aerial system (UAS) and other engaging objects that he and others at NSWCDD use daily in their careers on the base. Shannon, who also has a middle school-aged child, enjoys volunteering time to share with the students the various careers available on the base. He does have one other more personal reason he takes time out of his busy schedule to speak with the students.

"I do enjoy coming out to be a part of the career day," Shannon said. "I have a 14-year-old, and this is the one time of year she thinks I'm cool!"

## Civilian

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Capt. Frank X. Castellano, CSCS commanding officer, says Loesche was tasked with several essential projects in 2017.

"One of Zack's notable accomplishments this year was that he tracked all of our 14 learning sites and detachments' capital assets to ensure we were fiscally compliant," Castellano explained. "This was not an easy undertaking with over 750 capital assets. Because of his vigorous efforts, when one of our detachments was reviewed, we received a 100% in accuracy and completeness. Zack made a positive impact on our training mission and will continue to do so in years to come."

Loesche enjoys his job and says that the best part of his job is interfacing with various people throughout the Navy.

"I've had the pleasure of creating some exceptional relationships with personnel both inside and outside of the CSCS organization," he said. "It's also been extremely beneficial in helping me determine how to best integrate solutions for the projects I am working on for not only my department, but the domain as well."

CSCS' mission is to develop and deliver surface ship combat systems training to achieve surface warfare superiority. CSCS headquarters' staff oversees 14 learning sites and detachments, located throughout the continental United States, Hawaii, and Japan and manages and operates a Naval Education and Training Command (NETC) training division in Rota, Spain. CSCS provides over 538 courses, awards 114 different Navy Enlisted Classifications (NECs), and trains 37,400 Sailors a year. CSCS delivers specialized training for Officer and Enlisted Sailors required to tactically operate, maintain, and employ shipboard and shore-based weapons, sensors, and command and control systems utilized in today's Navy.

## DoDEA Director Visits Dahlgren School



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**Dahlgren School Administrator Tracey Fairfax and Director of the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) Tom Brady view the historic photos of students chronicling the school's graduating classes throughout the last 80 years in honor of the Naval Support Facility (NSF) Dahlgren 100th anniversary. Brady visited Dahlgren School on Feb. 5 to observe the Infrastructure Trail exercises. DoDEA schools will participate in the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) assessments in May.**

## BASE HAPPENINGS

### Dahlgren

#### Catholic Services at Dahlgren Chapel

Monday — Thursday: Rosary at 1200 in Back Chapel  
Friday: Liturgy of the Hours and Rosary at noon in Back Chapel

Saturday: Sunday Celebration in the Absence of a Priest, vigil, 1700 in Main Chapel

#### Child Development Center I Has Spaces Available!

The Dahlgren CDC I has space available for parents to enroll children. For more information on how to enroll contact the center at 540-653-4994 or stop by at 727 Sampson Road, building 437.

#### Dahlgren Sea Kings Chess Club

Want to learn how to play the world's oldest game like the masters? Weekly lessons are free, and all skill levels are welcome. Group will meet Wednesdays from 4 — 6:30 p.m. Please call or email for more information, Lt. Brian T. Curran, V23, (540)653-1941, brian.curran1@navy.mil.

#### Second Tour Thrift Store

The store offers a wide assortment of quality used items at incredibly low prices. The store is located at 722 Sampson Rd. and is open Thursdays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. for all shoppers with base access. 'Like' on Facebook @DahlgrenSecondTour

### Indian Head

#### FFSC Relocated aboard NSF Indian Head

The Fleet and Family Support Center has relocated at NSF Indian Head. FFSC is now located in the Mix House, Bldg D-324 on the top level, room 1.

#### Market Fresh Bistro Soup of the Day

The Market Fresh Bistro at the Naval Support Facility (NSF) Indian Head Community Recreation (ITT) and General Library is offering Chicken Noodle for the week of Feb. 20. The facility is open Monday — Friday, 6 a.m. — 2:30 p.m.

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

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# Community Notes

### Dahlgren

#### LOVEworks Design Contest

King George County Tourism Advisory Committee is sponsoring a contest for the creation of our County's LOVEworks display. Deadline is March 30, 4:30 pm. Submit your sketch and application form by mail or hand delivery to Tourism Advisory Committee King George County Administration 10459 Courthouse Drive, Suite 200 King George, VA 22485 or via email to: annie@yeskinggeorge.com.

#### New Nice Bridge Project

The public comment period for the new Nice Bridge project ends February 20, 2018, at 11:45 pm. It is encouraged to submit comments concerning the Bike/Ped shared use path. Your input is important and will be considered by the Maryland Transportation Authority (MDTA) New Nice Bridge Project Team. Provide input at newnicebridge.com by email at info@newnicebridge.com or by mail to:

Maryland Transportation Authority

Attn: William N. Pines, PE

Director of Project Development  
Office of Engineering and Construction

8019 Corporate Drive, Suite F  
Nottingham, Maryland 21236

For additional information about the project visit: [http://www.mdtamaryland.gov/Capital\\_Projects/NewNiceBridge-Project/Home](http://www.mdtamaryland.gov/Capital_Projects/NewNiceBridge-Project/Home)

#### Spring 2018 National Security Lectures

ISIS From Space: Using Remote Sensing To Assess the Economic Impact of Islamic State Governance in Iraq and Syria will be presented on Mar. 15, by Sean Mann, Policy Analyst, RAND Corporation at the UMW University Hall (room 110). Was the Islamic State capable of effectively governing and managing the economy of its self-styled caliphate in Iraq and Syria? RAND investigated the

ability of the Islamic State to govern, control, and profit off of its territory using a novel methodological approach relying upon remote sensing data and commercial satellite imagery. The lecture is open to the public, and there is no charge to attend. Refreshments starting at 8 a.m., and the lecture at 8:30 a.m. To register, visit us online at <http://dahlgren.umw.edu/lecture-series>

#### Father-Daughter Princess Ball

Bring your little princesses to meet the Disney Princesses at this semi-formal fancy dress ball on Saturday, Feb. 24 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. She'll feel like the belle of the ball meeting Belle and the other Disney Princesses at this event! Semi-formal attire is required and tickets are \$30.00 for one adult and one child (aged 4-6) and \$15.00 for each additional child. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Stop by the King George Parks and Recreation office 8076 Kings Highway or call 540-775-4FUN

#### King George Animal Rescue League Seeking Volunteers

The King George Animal Rescue League is looking for volunteers to help socialize animals, walk dogs, and take pictures at King George Animal Control (the county animal shelter). Volunteering at the shelter is a very rewarding way to give back to the local community; it is beneficial to the volunteer's mental and physical health, and it has a direct impact on the lives of homeless animals in our area. To learn more, visit <http://www.kgarl.org/info/display?PageID=15746>, email [shelterhelp@kgarl.org](mailto:shelterhelp@kgarl.org), or contact the shelter directly at 540-775-2120.

#### Vendor Blender & Yard Sale at KGHS

Saturday, March 17, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Shop vendors, crafters and yard sales at this event held at King George High School from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and food will be available! Space is still available, contact [kgdeca@gmail.com](mailto:kgdeca@gmail.com) for a registra-

tion form. The event supports the King George High School DECA competitive trip to ICDC in Atlanta, Ga.

#### Scholarship Available For Active Duty, Spouses and Vets at UMW

UMW is offering a scholarship providing qualified active duty service members, spouses, or honorably discharged veterans the opportunity to receive a 25% military tuition scholarship for graduate degree programs: Master of Business Administration or Education and Master of Science in Geospatial Analysis. Please contact the Office of Graduate Admissions for more info at 540-286-8000 or email [graduate@umw.edu](mailto:graduate@umw.edu).

### Indian Head

#### Free Income Tax Preparation for Seniors and Low to Moderate-Income Adults

The Senior Information and Assistance staff is scheduling appointments for the Income Tax Preparation Program starting on Monday, Feb. 5, and continuing each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday through April 17. Services are free for seniors and low to moderate-income adults who meet the eligibility guidelines. All appointments will be held at the Richard R Clark Senior Center (1210 East Charles Street in La Plata). To schedule an appointment, persons Age 60 and over call 301-609-5712, and persons between the ages of 18-59 call 301-609-5704. Citizens with special needs may contact the Maryland Relay Service at 711, or Relay Service TDD: 866-269-9006. Services are provided by AARP Volunteer Tax Professionals.

#### Tri-County Animal Shelter February Monthly Promotions and Reminders Spay/Neuter Awareness Month February Promotions

To celebrate this special month, the

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**Career Launch**

Mar. 14, 5 – 6 p.m.  
Location: Dahlgren Theater  
The Teen Employment Program is gearing up for another successful summer! All teens, ages 15-17, who are the child of an Active duty or retired military member, or DoD civilian are encouraged to pick up a registration packet at the Youth Activity Center, complete it and return it no later than Mar. 9. For more information, contact the Youth Center at 540-653-8009.

**COMMUNITY RECREATION**

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**Washington Nationals Tickets**

All tickets will be special ordered and will only be placed on Tuesdays by 5 p.m. Food and beverage vouchers are included with most tickets.

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Left/Right Field Corner — \$39.00

Left/Right Mezzanine — \$32.50

Upper Infield Gallery — \$16.25

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**Basic Car Care**

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\*Movies shown in 3D will cost an additional \$1 to the ticket price.

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<b>Saturday, Feb. 17 4 p.m.</b>	<b>12 Strong R</b>
<b>Saturday, Feb. 17 7 p.m.</b>	<b>The Greatest Showman PG</b>
<b>Sunday, Feb. 18 2 p.m.</b>	<b>The Commuter PG-13</b>
<b>Sunday, Feb. 18 4:30 p.m.</b>	<b>All The Money In The World R</b>
<b>Friday, Feb. 23 7 p.m.</b>	<b>Maze Runner: The Death Due PG-13</b>
<b>Saturday, Feb. 24 4 p.m.</b>	<b>Paddington 2 PG</b>
<b>Saturday, Feb. 24 7 p.m.</b>	<b>Den of Thieves R</b>
<b>Sunday, Feb. 25 2 p.m. 12</b>	<b>Strong R</b>
<b>Sunday, Feb. 25 4:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Downsizing R</b>

For movie listings online, visit [www.NavyMWRDahlgren.com/recreation](http://www.NavyMWRDahlgren.com/recreation) and select the Dahlgren Theater.

tive pricing for other dates. Package includes one night, two days, standard rooms, 6 water park bands and \$8 arcade credit. Check-in is at 4 p.m. and check-out is 11 a.m., however, the waterpark is still available for use. Cost: \$217

**-CRAFTS & CLASSES- DIY Wine Glass Painting**

Feb. 21, 6 p.m. at Gray's Landing  
Paint a wine glass with Community Rec just in time for Valentine's Day. Register at Tickets & Travel by Feb. 16. Cost: \$10

**DIY Jewelry Making**

Feb. 27, 5 p.m. at the Multipurpose Room  
Learn how to create your own jewelry to match your personal tastes! Register at Tickets & Travel by Feb. 23. Cost: \$10

**Tulip Stained Glass**

Begins Mar. 12 4 – 6 p.m.  
Join Craftech for a 4-week beginner's stained glass class that will take you through the basic steps of stained glass. You will cut, foil and produce a stained glass window featuring a tulip just in time for spring. Cost: \$35.00

**Spring Porch Sign**

Mar. 14, 6 – 9 p.m.  
Location: Gray's Landing  
Paint an Easter Bunny wooden porch sign. Register at Craftech by Mar. 7. Cost: \$25

**CRAFTECH**

540-653-1730  
Craftech offers a variety of

services including framing and matting, engraving on plaques, metals, glassware, leather, stone and more, embroidery, flag and shadow boxes, Tiffany style stained glass, fusing, bottle slumping and firing.

For more details, visit [www.NavyMWRDahlgren.com/recreation](http://www.NavyMWRDahlgren.com/recreation) and select Craftech.

**Easter Bunny Embroidery**

Give a personalized embroidered Easter Bunny as a gift! Call Craftech for embroidery selection and pricing.

**Dahlgren Centennial Collector Items**

Order your exclusive Centennial collector items from Craftech all year long. Items include insulated travel and coffee mugs, playing cards, challenge coins, t-shirts, clocks, pens and holders, lanyards and much more!

**FITNESS CENTER**

540-653-8580  
[www.navymwrdaahlgren.com/fitness-sports](http://www.navymwrdaahlgren.com/fitness-sports)

**Sprint Triathlon – Registration Now Open**

Saturday, April 21  
Register at [www.Dahlgren-SprintTri.eventbrite.com](http://www.Dahlgren-SprintTri.eventbrite.com). Must have at least 25 registered participants by Mar. 23 to compete. Check in at 7 a.m.; start time is 8 a.m. and awards will be given to male and female first place winners in each age division: 17 and under, 18-24, 25-39, and 40 plus. Cost: 17 & under, \$20. Active duty, \$20. All others, \$30

**-RACE SERIES- Lucky Clover 5K**

Mar. 14, 11 a.m.  
This St. Patty's Day wear your green and run with us! If you pick a four-leaf clover you could win a prize! Registration closes at 10:50 a.m. on race day. Cost: Active duty military, Free. All others, \$5.00

**-SPORTS-**

**Lunchtime Pickle Ball**

Mondays in Feb., 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
Relieve workday stress and join us for a friendly game of pickleball! Free

**No Glove Softball**

Begins Mar. 12. Register by Feb. 19

Join us at Duke Field for a game that evens the playing field! Must have six teams to compete. Cost: Active duty, Free. All others, \$5

**Spring Intramural Sports**

Soccer League – Organization Meeting Mar. 5, 11:30 a.m.

Co-Ed and Men's Softball League – Organization Meeting Mar. 6, 11:30 a.m.

Flag Football – Organization Meeting Mar. 7, 11:30 a.m.

League play begins in April. Cost: Active duty & contractors with fitness membership, Free. Retirees & dependents, \$15. DoD Civilians, \$30. Contractors without fitness membership & off-base civilians \$40

**-INCENTIVE-**

**Walk Across America**

Feb. 1 – Sept. 30, Open registration at the Fitness Center. Count your steps to collect trips and earn points! Choose

a trip from our list of cities and earn points and a stamp in your passport when you reach your destination. All participants who complete at least 3 trips and earn at least 7 points will receive a Walk Across America t-shirt. Steps must be recorded on your passport at your convenience during any of the Fitness Center's staffed hours. For more information on rules and regulations, call the Fitness Center at 540-653-8580. Cost: Active duty \$5, All others, \$10

**AQUATICS**

540-653-8088

**Movie & Family Float Night**

Feb. 16, 5 p.m.

Bring your inflatable and float your way into the weekend! Featured movie will be Beauty and the Beast. Cost: Active duty/retired military, Free. DoD civilians, \$5.00. Contractors/guests, \$6.00. Children 5 years old and under, Free.

**GENERAL LIBRARY**

540-653-7474

**- LIBRARY SPECIALS- Learn Japanese**

Active duty only – Mondays at 2:30 p.m. All others – Mondays, 4:30 p.m. and Wednesdays, 5:15 p.m.

Learning a new language boosts brain power, improves memory, and expands career potential. Join us at the Library as we learn Japanese! Cost: Free

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## Paws for Reading

Second Tuesdays, 3:45-5 p.m.

Curl up with a furry friend and read them a story! The General Library will hold Paws for Reading the second Tuesday of every month and give young readers the opportunity to read to their four-legged companion. Reading to a pet can help build confidence in young readers. Register online at <http://engagedpatrons.org/Events.cfm?SiteID=6188> and click on a selected time or call the General Library. Cost: Free

## S.T.E.A.M. Pre-School Literacy Classes

Wednesdays, 5 p.m.

Our S.T.E.A.M. classes are geared toward pre-school and kindergarten-aged children. They will develop their literacy skills as well as engage in the arts and learning experiments. Siblings are always welcome! Cost: Free

## One-on-One Computer Help

Every first Tuesday by appointment

Need help and don't know where to start? Sign up for a

one on one session to work on whatever you'd like! Cost: Free

## Early Literacy at your Library

Fridays, 10 a.m.

The Dahlgren General Library offers early literacy sessions for your baby and child, with songs, books, and activities that encourage early literacy development. Storytime and crafts will be geared toward babies and children under age 5. Siblings are always welcome to attend. Our Friday storytimes are a great way to meet other caregivers in the area. Cost: Free

## Sensory Sensitive Saturdays

Saturdays, 1 - 3 p.m.

Be sure to join our caring staff for Sensory Sensitive Saturdays! Cost: Free

Note: Military families with infants and toddlers looking for assistance and evaluations can call 703-784-1741 to speak with the Educational and Developmental Intervention Services team at Quantico. EDIS is a program offered that provides support and assistance to children with developmental concerns and their families. Their goal is to support and assist families in providing their

children opportunities for optimal development, wherever they may be assigned to serve.

## LIBERTY CENTER

540-653-7277

The Liberty Center and all activities are for Liberty Center Patrons Only: E1-E6 single/unaccompanied active duty military.

## Wing Wednesday & Trivia

Third Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. enjoy wings and a game or two of trivia.

## Free Movie Friday

Second Fridays, 10 p.m. watch a movie on us at the Theater.

## Midnight Bowling

Fourth Friday, midnight, enjoy a game of bowling!

## Ladies' Night: Manis and Pedis

Feb. 16

Calling all ladies! Head to Liberty for a mani and pedi. Gentlemen are welcome too!

## Rush Hour Live Escape Games

Feb. 17

We're taking you to Fredericksburg for a live escape room game.

## Peanut Butter Challenge

Feb. 20

How much peanut butter

can you handle? Find out with our peanut butter challenge.

## Guy's Night In: Dart Competition

Feb. 22, 6 p.m.

Calling all gentlemen! Try your hand at a game or two of darts. Ladies are welcome too!

## Westmoreland State Park Hiking Trip

Feb. 24

Let's ease into our hiking goals this year with some leisurely trails at Westmoreland State Park.

Teen employment is open to all teens with base access ages 15-17. Please contact the Youth Center for more information.

## Youth Open Recreation

Feb. 23, 7-10:30 p.m.

Location: Youth Center

Movie Night. Open to kids ages 5-12 and enrolled at the Youth Center. For more information please call the Youth Center at 301-743-5456.

## Indian Head Teen Center

CDC 301-744-4458

CYP 301-743-5456

## Teen Open Recreation

Feb. 16, 7-10:30 p.m.

Location: Teen Center

Pool Tournament. Open to teens ages 13-18 and still in high school. For more information please call the Youth Center at 301-743-5456.

## Mid Kids

Feb. 21, 4-7 p.m.

Location: Teen Center

Valentines Minute to Win It Games. Open to kids ages 10-12 and currently enrolled at the Youth Center. For more information, contact the Youth Center at 301-743-5456.

## Teen Time

Feb. 22, 4-7 p.m.

Location: Teen Center

Valentines Sling Shot STEM Challenge. Open to teens ages 13-18 and still in high school. For more information please call the Youth Center at 301-743-5456.

## Indian Head Community Recreation

301-744-4850

## No-Sew Fleece Blanket

Feb. 23, 6 - 8 p.m.

Make your own no-sew fleece blanket, it's the easiest and most comfortable craft. The cost is \$10. Please register by Feb. 21 at the Community Recreation Center. Open to everyone with base access.

## MGM National Harbor Resort Trip

Feb. 24, 12-6 p.m.

Enjoy a day of play, sight-seeing and shopping at the MGM National Harbor Resort. This is a FREE trip. Please register at the Community Recreation Center by Feb. 17. Open to everyone with base access.



## Indian Head Child & Youth

CDC 301-744-4458

CYP 301-743-5456

## Teen Employment Program

Registration is open for the Career Launch and will end Mar. 1. The Career Launch will be held on Mar. 3 at the Youth Center; 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

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## Indian Head Library

301-744-4850

### Yoga for Kids

Thursdays in Feb., 2 p.m.  
Stretch, bend, and pose with us through stories and music. Open to all homeschool and preschool children with base access. FREE.

### Culture Queen

Feb. 21, 5:30 – 7 p.m.  
Come celebrate Black His-

tory Month at the library with the Culture Queen through music, dance and sounds of Africa! This event is free and open to everyone with base access.

### Market Fresh Bistro

Hours: Monday-Friday; 6 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Market Fresh Bistro, located inside the Community Recreation Center is happy to be providing breakfast, lunch, and Starbucks coffee products to NSF Indian Head. Now serving soup! Soup is made fresh daily and served from

10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The bistro will be serving Chicken Noodle soup for the week of Feb. 20.

## Indian Head Stars & Strikes Bowling Center

301-744-4761

### Lunch Time Bowling

Wednesdays, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

### Cosmic Bowling

Every 2nd and 4th Saturday from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m.

**Open Bowling**  
Fridays and Saturdays, 5 p.m. – 10 p.m.  
All shoe rentals \$1  
Military \$2/game  
Civilian \$3/game

## Indian Head Weight House Fitness Center

301-744-4661

### Wallyball Tournament

Feb. 23, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
Have some off the wall fun playing Wallyball! This is a four-on-four double elimination tournament. At least four

teams must register to hold the tournament. This is free for active-duty and \$5 for all others. There will be prizes awarded to first and second place teams. Please register at the Weight House Fitness Center. Open to everyone with base access.

## Indian Head Liberty Center

301-744-4524

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## NBA-All Star Game Viewing Party

Feb. 18, 6 p.m.  
Come over to the Liberty Center and watch the NBA All-Star game! Snack provided.

### Bridge Building Contest

Feb. 20, 6 p.m.  
Sign up in the Liberty Free Event Binder.

### Pizza and Movie Night

Feb. 22, 6p.m.  
Sign up in the Liberty Free Event Binder.

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shelter is reducing the adoption fee for all shelter felines to \$20.18. All felines adopted during this special promotion will receive the same great incentives of a regular adoption including spay/neuter, rabies vaccination, veterinary physical exam, deworming, FIV/FELV test, and microchip. Come adopt a fabulous feline today!

### Free Spay/Neuter Clinics

You may qualify for the free altering

of pets. Call Paw Prints Animal Hospital at 301-885-0263 or Humane Society of Charles County at 301-645-8181 for more details.

### Dog Training Education Month

Training has been shown to be the single most important factor in keeping a dog in his or her forever home and strengthens the bond between owner and pet. S & D K-9 Rehabilitation and Think Like a Dog both offer a free training session for dogs adopted from the Tri-County Animal Shelter. You can also inquire about additional training at your local PetSmart or Petco. Celebrate

the month by signing up your furry friend.

### Love Your Pet Day (Feb. 20)

Share some extra love and consider adopting a pet of your own or signing up as a volunteer at the shelter. Take a dog for a walk, brush some cats, or give out treats. You can also support the shelter by coming to the Prince Frederick IHOP (680 North Prince Frederick Boulevard, Prince Frederick) on Feb. 20 and enjoy a nice meal. IHOP will donate a portion of the proceeds to the shelter if you mention Tri-County Animal Shelter to your server.

### Tags and Licenses

Remember to keep identification tags on your dogs and cats. It could be your pet's ticket to getting back home. Be sure your pets wear a collar with an identification tag, a county license, and a rabies tag. Microchipping your pet with up-to-date information is a great practice as well. To learn more about licensing your pet, visit [www.CharlesCountyMD.gov/ES/AnimalControl/Animal-Control](http://www.CharlesCountyMD.gov/ES/AnimalControl/Animal-Control).

### Volunteers Needed at the Tri-County Animal Shelter

The shelter is in need of volunteers, ages 14 and older, to assist with car-

ing for the many animals at our facility. Call the shelter at 301-932-1713 for additional information and volunteer paperwork.

### Walk-MS Charles County

Help end Multiple Sclerosis (MS) by joining with Walk MS on April 14, at the Indian Head Pavilion (Village Green) and walk to end MS forever. Register for Walk MS Indian Head at [www.walkms.org](http://www.walkms.org) or by calling 855-372-1331. On-site registration begins at 9 a.m. and the event will kick off at 10 a.m. Participants who raise \$100 or more will receive a commemorative 2018 Walk MS t-shirt.



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# Secretary of the Navy Names Two Littoral Combat Ships

By SECNAV Public Affairs

On Feb. 13, Secretary of the Navy Richard V. Spencer announced the next Freedom and Independence variant Littoral Combat Ships will be named USS Nantucket (LCS 27) and USS Savannah (LCS 28).

The future USS Nantucket (LCS 27), a Freedom-variant Littoral

Combat Ship, will be the third commissioned U.S. Navy ship to honor the maritime history of Nantucket.

The future USS Savannah (LCS 28), an Independence-variant Littoral Combat Ship, is the sixth ship to bear the name of the oldest city in Georgia.

Nantucket will be built by Fincantieri Marinette Marine in Marinette, Wisconsin. Savannah will be built by Austal USA in

Mobile, Alabama.

LCS is a modular, reconfigurable ship, designed to meet validated fleet requirements for surface warfare (SUW), anti-submarine warfare (ASW) and mine countermeasures (MCM) missions in the littoral region. An interchangeable mission package is embarked on each LCS and provides the primary mission systems in one of these warfare areas.

# Department of the Navy Releases Fiscal Year 2019 Budget

From Navy Office of Information

The Department of the Navy released its proposed \$194.1 billion (Base and Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO)) budget Feb. 12, for fiscal year (FY) 2019.

This budget is part of the \$716 billion (Base and OCO) defense budget President Donald Trump submitted to Congress the same day.

Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Budget, Rear Adm. Brian Luther, briefed media during a Department of Defense press conference on the Navy and Marine Corps portion of the budget.

"Our ability to complete our mission rests on the entire Navy and Marine Corps team — Sailors and Marines, Active Duty and Reserve, our Civilian teammates and all our families," said Luther. "The Department is grateful for the increased funding and has worked diligently in this request to ensure the funding provided pro-

tection and sustains the readiness gains of FY18 and creates a balanced warfighting force with the capabilities needed for the fight and the capacity to win the fight."

This year's budget request is focused on restoring wholeness by growing the readiness, capability and capacity of the Navy and Marine Corps in an effort to build a more lethal, resilient and agile force to deter and defeat aggression by great power competitors and adversaries in all domains across the conflict spectrum. This force is necessary to fulfill the maritime responsibilities articulated in the National Defense Strategy.

Wholeness will be achieved by focusing on six specific dimensions: building a bigger, better, networked, talented, agile and ready fleet.

This budget includes a \$63.4 billion (base and OCO) request for operation and maintenance, funding the maximum executable amounts for ship depot maintenance, aviation depot maintenance and the flight-hour program. The op-

eration and maintenance request represents an emphasis on the importance of restoring wholeness to build capacity and improve lethality in the future.

The submission will build on current programs and invest in innovation to enable the Navy to compete in a fast-paced, complex global maritime environment — today and in the future. The submission includes a \$58.5 billion (base and OCO) procurement budget that would buy 10 new ships and 54 ships across the Future Years Defense Plan (FYDP) and invest in high-tech systems including unmanned, cyber and directed energy weapons.

The 10 new ships the budget would purchase include three Arleigh Burke-class destroyers, two Virginia-class submarines, one littoral combat ship and one expeditionary staging base to prioritize stability in major combatant shipbuilding as the fleet continues to grow. Additionally, the budget funds the construction of 120 aircraft in FY19 and 655 aircraft across the FYDP.

By fully funding the Columbia-class SSBN program, the FY19 budget maintains the Navy's commitment to providing the nation with a credible and survivable sea-based strategic deterrent.

In order to meet dynamic changes in the security environment of today, this year's submission includes \$18.6 billion for research and

development, supporting the Navy-Marine Corps team of the future through technological advantages designed to counter adversaries in all environments and across all spectrums.

The budget supports our personnel by funding career-development initiatives and providing a 2.6 percent pay increase, while developing and procuring the most cutting-edge platforms and weapons available. It also continues to invest in Sailor 2025, to promote the transformation of internal business processes to improve service to Sailors, increase organizational agility and responsiveness and reduce cost.

Lastly and equally important, the Department of the Navy (DON) remains fully committed to the audit effort and transforming our business culture by adopting strong internal controls consistent with industry standards. Internal processes and programs were reviewed to achieve reform and funding savings over \$5 billion across the FYDP. Our reform efforts continue to focus on improving organizational effectiveness; eliminating, restructuring or merging activities; and workforce management.

Highlights of the proposed DoD budget are outlined at <http://comptroller.defense.gov/BudgetMaterials.aspx>

The entire fiscal 2019 DON budget proposal may be viewed at [www.finance.hq.navy.mil/fmb/PB/books.htm](http://www.finance.hq.navy.mil/fmb/PB/books.htm)

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