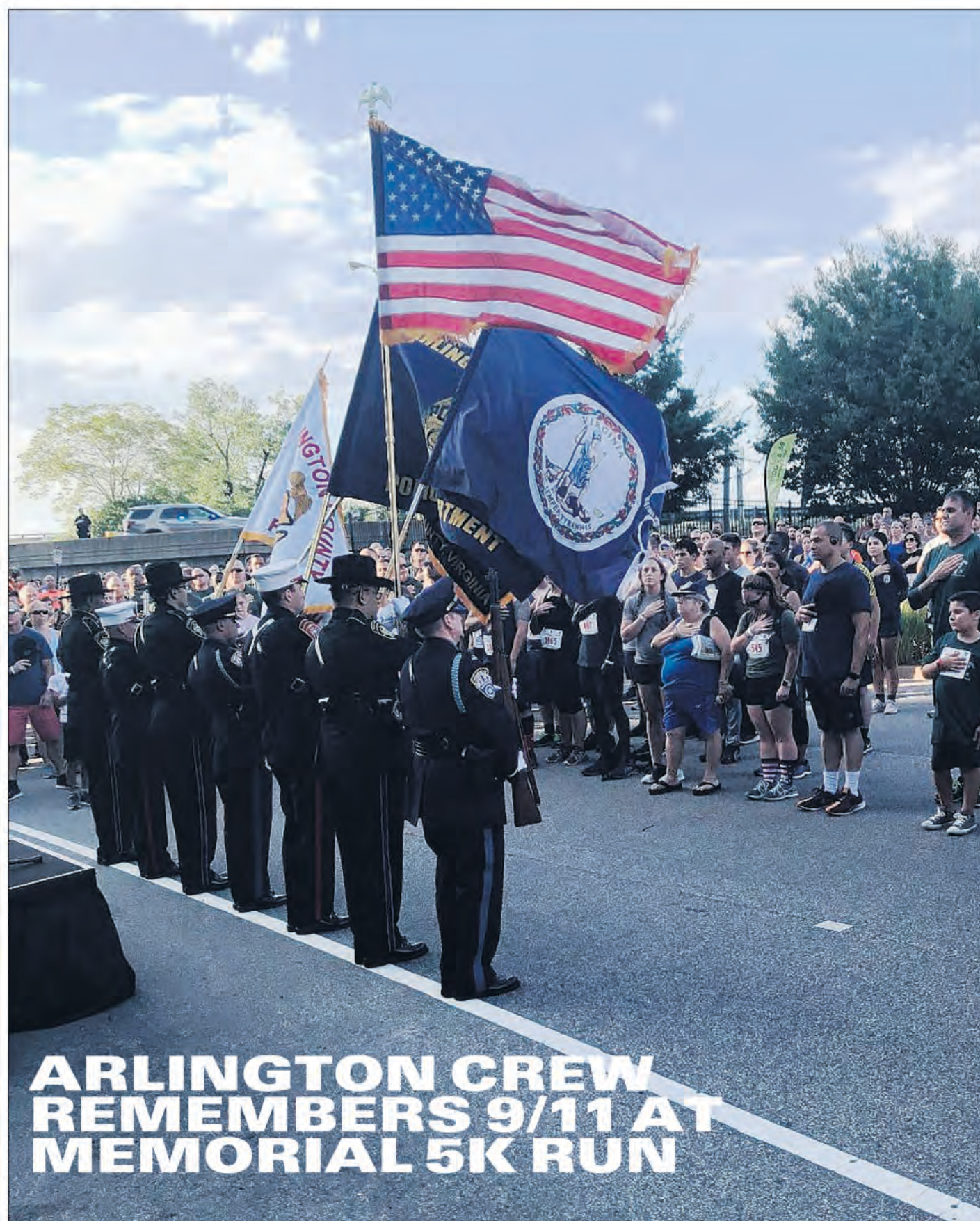




IKE SAILOR RENDERS AID TO GIRL

Information Systems Technician 2nd Class Marisol Zamudio, a stretcher bearer aboard the aircraft carrier USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69), saved unresponsive girl.

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ARLINGTON CREW REMEMBERS 9/11 AT MEMORIAL 5K RUN

Kevin Reardon

By Kevin Reardon
Arlington County Police Department

ARLINGTON, VA.

Captain, crew and some family members from USS Arlington (LPD-24) traveled to Arlington County, Va., from Norfolk to participate in the annual Arlington Police, Fire & Sheriff 9/11 Memorial 5K Run.

Prior to the race the group met at Arlington Fire Station #5, the closest fire station to the Pentagon, and had lunch with elected officials and other guests. Attendees were:

- State Delegate Patrick Hope
- Arlington County Board members Libby Garvey and Erick Gutshall
- County Manager Mark Schwartz
- Deputy County Manager Jim Schwartz (Jim was the former Fire Chief and commanded operations at the Pentagon on 9/11)
- Arlington County Police Chief Jay Farr
- Arlington County Fire Chief Povlitz
- Arlington firefighters, police officers, and sheriff's deputies.

During the lunch the group was welcomed to Arlington by Libby Garvey and Patrick Hope.

Capt. Paul Lanzilotta spoke and presented a flag, flown over the USS Arlington, for the mother of Cpl. Harvey Snook. Arlington Police Cpl. Snook passed way as a result of injuries attributed to his rescue

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Kevin Reardon



MC1 Nathan Laird

Navy announces 2019 Stockdale Award recipients

From Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs

WASHINGTON

Navy announced Cmdr. Patrick O'Loughlin of U.S. Fleet Forces Command and Cmdr. Carl Trask of Pacific Fleet Command as recipients of the 2019 Vice Admiral James Bond Stockdale Leadership Award in NAVADMIN 208/19, Sept. 9.

O'Loughlin is commanding officer of USS Forrest Sherman (DDG 98) and Trask is the former commanding officer of USS Connecticut (SSN 22).

The award is named for Vice Adm. James Bond Stockdale, a Naval Academy graduate and pilot. In September 1965, Stockdale ejected from his A-4E Skyhawk over North Vietnam and was captured. While prisoner, Stockdale served as an inspiring leader to

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Leaders pledge to eliminate sexual assault, harassment on campuses, military bases

By MC3 Brianna L. Bowens

NEW YORK

Top military leaders joined East Coast university presidents and administrators at a conference here Thursday to pledge their steadfast commitment to eradicating sexual violence and harassment on campuses and military bases.

The Department of the Navy (DoN) co-hosted its first Regional Discussion on Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment at America's Colleges, Universities and Service Academies with the State University of New York (SUNY) at the NYC Marriott East Side and the SUNY Global Center. More than 280 attendees included regional experts at providing safe learning and working environments for students and Soldiers, Sailors, Marines and Airmen.

Secretary of the Navy Richard V. Spencer, who opened the conference with SUNY Chancellor Kristina Johnson, said sharing military assault and harassment data with colleges and universities is the first salvo in finding a solution to eliminate these destructive behaviors.

"This is an issue that I am passionate about, and I have made a commitment that I will do everything that we can on my watch to start the eradication of this," he said. "This is a huge co-generational issue that we should not expect to be solved overnight; we should expect to go after this with great expedition, great trepidation, courage, ener-

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Cancer Research Rodeo promotes resources at NMCP

August is Cancer Research Awareness Month, and the Warriors of Hope Cancer Awareness Committee hosted the 2nd annual Cancer Research Rodeo to promote cancer research and resources at Naval Medical Center Portsmouth.

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USS Olympia completes first Global deployment

Friends and families of the crew gathered at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Sept. 8 to welcome Los Angeles-class fast-attack submarine USS Olympia (SSN 717) home from a seven-month.

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U.S. Navy boat found off Ireland's coast

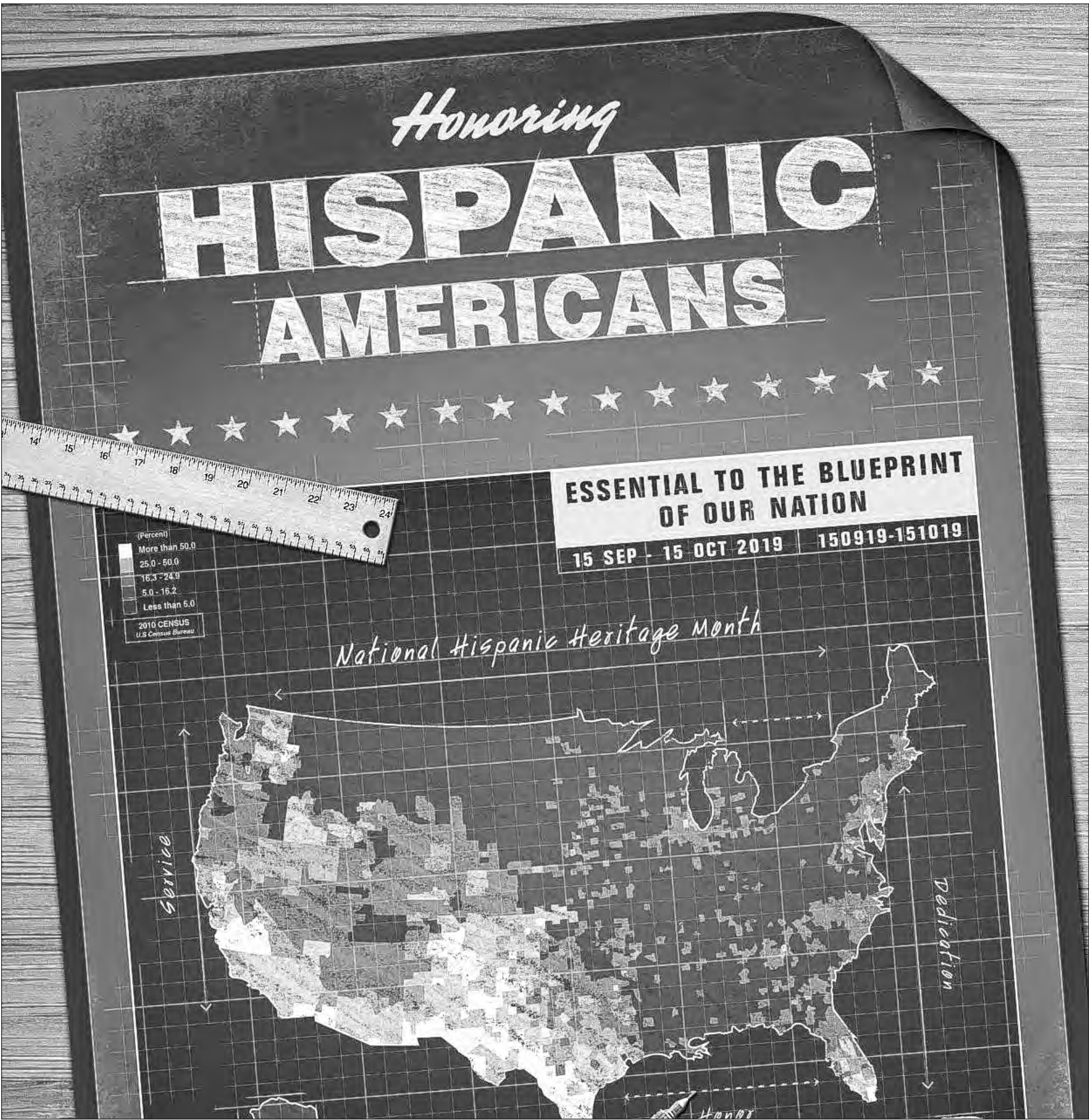
Crew members of western Ireland's Doolin Ferry Co. were headed to Inis Oir when they spotted something bright orange floating in the water.

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SPECIAL ART RELEASED FOR HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

From deomi.org

In observance of National Hispanic Heritage Month, celebrated each year from Sept. 15 through Oct. 15, the Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute proudly announces the release of original artwork available for download from DE-OMI’s public website at www.deomi.org. Sept. 15 was chosen as the starting point

for Hispanic Heritage Month because it is the anniversary of independence for five Latin American countries – Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. In addition, Mexico declared its independence on Sept. 16, and Chile on Sept. 18. The theme for the 2019 National Hispanic Heritage Month is “Essential to the Blueprint of Our Nation.”

This year’s poster displays the demographics of Hispanic-Americans on a blueprint of the United States, and represents the immense impact Hispanic-Americans have had in building our nation. Hispanic-Americans make contributions in many fields that enable the greatness of America. Their contributions to the defense of this nation, the arts, sports, public service, research and development,

non-profit organization management, civil rights, politics, business, agriculture, and the service industry enable America to maintain its competitiveness, relevance and position in the global landscape as the leader of the free world. Today, thousands of Hispanic-American service members throughout the world are protecting our nation. Just as in generations past, we honor our Hispanic community – military and civilian – for significantly contributing toward protecting the United States and embodying Department of Defense values that unite us as one team.

TRICARE Dental Program costs

From tricare.mil

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Naval Air Station Oceana Chief Petty Officer Selects pose for a photo with Strike Fighter Wing Atlantic Command Master Chief Anthony R. Sanders, front left, U.S. Fleet Forces Fleet Master Chief Richard P. O’Rawe, front center, and Naval Air Station Oceana Command Master Chief Lee Salas, front right, at the Heroes Breakfast held at Center for Naval Aviation Technical Training Unit Oceana.

NAS OCEANA CHIEF SELECTS HOLD HEROES BREAKFAST

By MC3 Mark Thomas Mahmood

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA.

Chief petty officer selects stationed on board Naval Air Station Oceana held a “Heroes Breakfast” Sept. 10 at the Center for Naval Aviation Technical Training Unit Oceana to recognize Naval Air Station Oceana’s chiefs who have passed away.

The Heroes Breakfast was attended by Naval Air Station Oceana leadership, chief selectees, and current and retired chief petty officers.

MA1 Mario A. Osman, a chief select assigned to the Naval Air Station Oceana security department, said a ceremony such as the Heroes Breakfast is inspiring to him.

“As a chief select, this tells me that I’m joining something that is not about me,” said Osman. “There’s a bigger picture when it comes to the chief’s mess. We are joining a legacy; something we are charged with passing on to the next chiefs.”

The Heroes Breakfast is not only a way to remember the fallen chief petty officers and bring former, current and future chiefs

together. It served as an opportunity for the chief selects to practice organizing events; something Senior Chief Master-At-Arms Mike Hausmann, one of the leaders for “Chief Season” on board Naval Air Station Oceana, says is an important part of the selects’ training.

“The Heroes Breakfast is held precisely at this time of year for a reason,” said Hausmann. “It gives us a training opportunity for the selects to put on an event, and the sense of heritage, history, patriotism, and remembrance exhibited here are things we are bringing to the forefronts of their minds.”

Hausmann said the training that the chief selects undergo is meant to instill in them a new mindset, and to teach them to look at problems from the perspective of a chief.

“E-7 in the navy means something a lot different than any other service,” said Hausmann. “We start training our chiefs when they’re still first class petty officers. The last 6 weeks is for us to test them mentally, challenge them to perform under pressure, and change their mindsets from an E-6

mentality into a chief’s mentality. We use these 6 weeks to frame them for success.”

Senior Chief Aviation Machinist’s Mate Theresa Munet, another “Chief Season” lead, said an event like the Heroes Breakfast is meant to help shape their new mindset as they prepare to enter the Chief’s Mess.

“Most of the time, as first class petty officers, they’re thinking about their own ‘little box’ of themselves and their work centers,” said Munet. “When we do things like this, we have to bring them out of that mindset and have them start thinking about the ‘greater than.’”

Munet said she hopes the chief selects are instilled with a sense of heritage and humility, and begin seeing the “bigger picture” by the end of “Chief Season.”

“Most of the time we talk about the chief season, we talk about making chiefs in 7 to 8 weeks, which is unrealistic,” said Munet. “Our goal is really to get them start and prepared for what is to come.”

The Naval Air Station Oceana chief selects will be pinned with their gold fouled

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anchors on Sept. 13 at the Aerotheater on board the installation.

Osman said he’s excited to finally become a chief petty officer, humbled and instilled with a new sense of pride within the United States Navy.

“Tradition is how we make it to the future,” said Osman. “But to make it to the future, we must always remember our history.”

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Capt. Kyle Higgins, commanding officer of the aircraft carrier USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69), left, recognizes Information Systems Technician 2nd Class Marisol Zamudio during an all-hands call for her actions performed outside the line of duty. Ike is in the basic phase of the Optimized Fleet Response Plan.

IKE SAILOR RENDERS AID

By MC3 Devin Alexondra Lowe
USS Dwight D. Eisenhower Public Affairs

ATLANTIC OCEAN

A girl lies unresponsive and face-down in a parking garage. A group begins to gather around her, and though the call for emergency services is made, no one steps up to help the girl. Soon, a Sailor steps out of her car, turns the girl over and begins to perform first aid; she finds the girl has an injury to her head, but is breathing. Because of her training and quick response, the Sailor is able to provide the girl with necessary care until first responders arrive.

This is the scenario Information Systems Technician 2nd Class Marisol Zamudio, a stretcher bearer aboard the aircraft carrier USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69), found herself in while off-duty, Sept. 2.

“I’m not somebody who is just going to pass by someone on the ground like that,” said Zamudio. “If it were me, I would want someone to respond. Once the bystanders told me they didn’t know any first aid, I knew it was up to me to assist in any way I can.”

Though Zamudio was among strangers at the time, word of her actions spread fast. She began to receive recognition from her peers and chain of command and soon found herself standing on a tractor during an all-hands call shaking the commanding officer’s hand.

“She didn’t have to respond,” said Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Amos Hodnett, the medical representative in charge of the battle dressing station Zamudio is assigned to. “She took the initiative and got involved. Her actions say that she not only received the proper training, but she’s picked up on it and

is able to respond both off ship and onboard Ike.”

Though it was Zamudio’s desire to help others that pushed her to respond, she wanted to give credit to Ike’s medical department for training she received as a stretcher bearer.

“They train us way beyond the required level of knowledge for a stretcher bearer,” said Zamudio. “Medical makes our training as real as possible with all of the moulage and curveballs they throw our way. I take my training very seriously because helping others is something I really want to do.”

Sailors aboard Ike received a plethora of training focused on fighting for the ship and their shipmates, including general quarters and mass casualty drills. Taking these simulations seriously can mean the difference be-

tween life and death.

“She’s been one of our stretcher bearers for a while,” said Hodnett. “She’s good at what she does and soon she’s going to be a part of our medical training team. Taking your training seriously is important; responding the right way could save a life, but responding the wrong way could cause further damage.”

Zamudio said that though she was glad to help, she didn’t expect all the recognition she was given. She said she loves helping others and hopes to one day become a first responder herself.

“I didn’t think this was a big deal,” said Zamudio. “I’m a stretcher bearer. If you see someone who needs help, even if you don’t know how to help them, stand by them. Don’t walk away. I’m just happy I got to help.”

For more news from USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69), visit www.navy.mil/local/cvn69/.

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MC2 Kris R. Lindstrom
Pediatric Oncology stands by their display during the 2nd annual Cancer Research Rodeo at NMCP on Aug. 29. The Cancer Research Rodeo's purpose is to bring subject matter experts together and promote an understanding, for patients and staff, about the clinical research they conduct in the respective fields at NMCP.

NMCP hosts 2nd annual Cancer Research Rodeo

By MC2 Kris R. Lindstrom
Naval Medical Center Portsmouth Public Affairs Office

PORTSMOUTH, VA.

August is Cancer Research Awareness Month, and the Warriors of Hope Cancer Awareness Committee hosted the 2nd annual Cancer Research Rodeo on Aug. 29 to promote cancer research and resources at Naval Medical Center Portsmouth (NMCP).

"I think with the transient population in the military, people don't know that some of these oncology programs exist," said Melvina Queen, a member of NMCP's Radiation Oncology Warriors of Hope Cancer Awareness Committee. "Some don't know that we treat children for cancer and specifically that we have Children Oncology protocols for clinical research here. Same thing for Radiation Oncology. When people think of these things, they think of Sentara, they

think of Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters (CHKD). They are not thinking that innovative research is happening or available at NMCP."

The committee's goal for the rodeo was not only to inform NMCP patients about the research, but also to inform staff about how important research is and for them to support. Research at NMCP is made possible through the support of patients who volunteer to participate, and by the physicians presenting the opportunity for enrollment to their patients.

"This is about awareness," Queen said. "Sometimes doctors, residents and other physician's first reaction is to refer patients across the water and don't realize that we can actually do some of this stuff here. So this is not just for our patients and ourselves, it's also for our colleagues and our shipmates."

Now in their 2nd year, the rodeo has expanded, involving not only different departments within the medical center, but also different commands that share the same roof with NMCP. The research clinics and commands that participated were Cancer Screening / Population Health Department, Gynecology Oncology, Murtha Cancer Center Biobank, Pediatric Oncology, Tumor Registry/ NMCP Cancer Committee, Radiation Oncology, and Navy and Marine Corps Public Health Center (NM-CPHC) EpiData Center DOD Cancer Task Force.

"We have actually expanded," Queen said. "This year, instead of just focusing on the research coordinators we had last year that involved targeted areas for treatment, we are focusing on the bigger picture by adding our investigative partners; knowing how our incidence numbers fit nationally, knowing what we are seeing in the number of cases and incidence of cancer at the hospital. We are able to provide cancer research because we know some of these answers from data already out there; we know what to expect."

Queen believes it is important to host this event every year due to annotating any development in recent cancer research as well as presenting to mostly a new audience every year due to constant shuffling in military ranks.

"We are a military population, everybody is rotating every few years," Queen said. "Cancer is not going away. It's something that we still need to be concerned about. When we think about 'Centers of Excellence', we need to recognize NMCP for being a 'Center of Excellence' for cancer research and cancer treatment as a whole."

As the U.S. Navy's oldest, continuously-operating military hospital since 1830, Naval Medical Center Portsmouth proudly serves past and present military members and their families. The nationally-acclaimed, state-of-the-art medical center, along with the area's 10 branch health and TRICARE Prime Clinics, provide care for the Hampton Roads area. The medical center also supports premier research and teaching programs designed to prepare new doctors, nurses and hospital corpsman for future roles in healing and wellness.



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USS GEORGE WASHINGTON CHANGES COMMAND

From USS George Washington Public Affairs

NORFOLK

Capt. Kenneth Strong relieved Capt. Glenn Jamison as commanding officer of the Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS George Washington (CVN 73) (GW) during a change of command ceremony, Sept. 5.

A time-honored tradition, the ceremony was held at the Joint Forces Staff College onboard Naval Support Activity Hampton Roads, with Capt. Richard McCormack, chief of staff for Commander, Naval Air Force Atlantic, as the presiding officer.

“During the past several years I have commanded USS George Washington, I’ve had the privilege and pleasure to see this crew work side-by-side with each other, and in unison with Newport News Shipbuilding and the other supporting organizations, all with the common goal of redelivering GW back to the fleet, ready for the second half of her life-cycle,” said Jamison. “It has been an honor to be part of this great team.”

Jamison looked back on his time aboard George Washington and how the crew motivated him to accomplish the mission at hand.

“Since coming into refueling complex overhaul, or RCOH, I’ve been so impressed by the work ethic of every Sailor and officer under my command,” said Jamison. “The challenges of working in the shipyard are unparalleled, and I’m inspired every day by how our team tackles them head on and delivers results.”

Jamison’s successes include advancing 1,300 George Washington Sailors and chiefs to the next pay grade, achieving the FY17 and FY18 Retention Excellence Award, and successfully completing the first half of George Washington’s RCOH at Newport News Shipbuilding in Newport News, Va.

Jamison’s leadership and professionalism while in command afforded him the recognition by award of the Legion of Merit.

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Capt. Kenneth Strong

clear-powered warship carries with it the responsibility and accountability like no other job in the Navy,” said McCormack. “Thank you for your sage leadership of the fine men and women assigned to USS

George Washington. There is no one more deserving of the Legion of Merit than this man here.”

Jamison concluded his remarks by thanking his family and the George Washington crew.

“It’s been an honor to serve as the commanding officer of USS George Washington,” said Jamison. “I know that I leave the crew in the capable hands of Capt. Strong.”

Strong takes command as the ship enters the second half of RCOH, with the next major milestone of flooding the dry dock on the horizon.

“I look forward to taking the helm of the 'Spirit of Freedom' and getting us to the finish line of RCOH,” said Strong. “Together we will successfully redeliver the most advanced capital warship to the fleet.”

Strong received his commission in 1992 through Aviation Officer Candidate School after graduating from Johns Hopkins University. Strong’s most recent assignment was as commanding officer for the amphibious transport dock ship USS New Orleans (LPD 18) from February 2018 to April 2019. He was also previously the executive officer of George Washington from October 2014 to October 2016.

Navy awards largest IT contract to date in support of MyNavy HR transformation

From Cmdr. Erik Wells
Sea Warrior Program (PMW 240) Public Affairs

WASHINGTON

The Navy awarded CACI Enterprise Solutions, Inc., based in Chantilly, VA., a \$385 million task order Sept. 6 in support of MyNavy HR Transformation, the Navy’s Manpower, Personnel, Training and Education (MPT&E) efforts to modernize human resource systems.

The Program Executive Office for Enterprise Information Systems Sea Warrior Program (PMW 240) will execute the task order.

“This task order will provide PMW 240 the technical support resources to transform the Navy’s existing human resources systems into a modern, cloud-based infrastructure that will deliver 21st century services and capabilities to our Sailors,” said Kenneth Johnson, acting program manager for the Sea Warrior

Program.

The Transformation Portfolio Coordinator and Production task order was awarded utilizing an accelerated acquisition process, reducing the time from solicitation to award by 16 months. The accelerated process reduced government risk and saved the government significant time and money.

“The accelerated acquisition approach had a ripple effect in manpower savings to include time, personnel and acquisition costs, but more importantly, it allows us to continue uninterrupted our upgrading of personnel systems for our Sailors,” Johnson said.

CACI Enterprise Solutions, Inc. will be a strategic partner with Sea Warrior Program to transform how human resources services are offered that will directly and positively impact the entire Navy Hire-to-Retire lifecycle. Work, which will be performed in Arlington, Va.; Millington, Tenn.; New Orleans, La. and Pensacola, Fla. will involve integrating disparate platforms, existing or evolving systems, infrastructure, mission capabilities, data analytics, and programs to build an interoperable and scalable network of capabilities in support of the Sailors’ human resources needs.

Ruth Youngs Lew, Program Executive Officer for Enterprise Information Systems, which manages the Sea Warrior Program, stressed the significance the expedited acquisition approach will have on the Navy and

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“ This award allows us to continue building a transparent and efficient infrastructure that will provide Sailors greater self-service capabilities to manage their careers while implementing modern mobile solutions that the fleet is demanding.”

Ruth Youngs Lew

Sailors over the next several years.

“We are leveraging the best that industry can provide by using commercial technology to improve how our Sailors are able to take ownership of their careers,” Youngs Lew said. “This award allows us to continue building a transparent and efficient infrastructure that will provide Sailors greater self-service capabilities to manage their careers while implementing modern mobile solutions that the fleet is demanding.”

To help Sailors better understand the changes taking place, the Chief of Naval Personnel recently launched a new brand and promise: MyNavy HR, Serving Sailors 24/7. MyNavy HR consolidates the Manpower, Personnel, Training and Education Enterprise, providing a more familiar and distinguishable name that internal and external audiences will recognize.

Modernizing the Navy’s human resources systems is focused on effectively recruiting, developing and managing the force of tomorrow, transforming how human resources — personnel, pay and training — services are offered throughout a Sailor’s entire career by delivering services to Sailors and their families with increasing speed and accuracy, improving fleet readiness.

For more news from PEO for Enterprise Information Systems Command, visit www.navy.mil/local/peoeis/.



Arlington Police, Fire & Sheriff 9/11 Memorial 5K Run.

9/11 Race Committee

ARLINGTON | Crew traveled to Arlington County, Va. for race

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efforts at the Pentagon on 9/11. Police Chief Farr accepted the flag on behalf of Cpl. Snook’s mother who was unable to attend.

Capt. Lanzilotta was presented with a piece of the Pentagon for the ship by Jim Pebley of the USS Arlington Community Alliance. Pebley is a retired Navy pilot.

Lunch was co-hosted by the USS Arlington Community Alliance and the Military Operations Society (MORS).

USS Arlington Sailors visited Arlington National Cemetery after lunch and prior to the 9/11 Race.

At the Arlington Police, Fire & Sheriff 9/11 Memorial 5K Run the Arlington crew were announced to the crowd just before the start of the race. They finished in first in the military teams category. After receiving their first place award they departed by bus back to Norfolk.

Several Sailors who had planned to attend were unable to due to Hurricane Dorian.

USS Arlington maintains close ties with it’s namesake city, maintaining a presence at the Arlington Police, Fire & Sheriff 9/11



Scott McCaffery

Memorial 5K Run each year, even while deployed and hosting a group of ten active and retired Arlington police officers & fire-fighters on their “Tiger Cruise” at the end of their last deployment.

USS Arlington (LPD-24), a San Antonio-class amphibious transport dock, is the third ship of the United States Navy to be named for Arlington, Virginia, the location of the Pentagon and the crash site of American Airlines Flight 77 during the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001.



Kevin Reardon

Arlington Police, Fire & Sheriff 9/11 Memorial 5K Run.

STOCKDALE | Cmdr. O’Laughlin and Cmdr. Trask received award

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his fellow prisoners until his release in February 1973. He received the Medal of Honor in 1976 and served as president of the Naval War College from October 1977 until August 1979. Stockdale articulated five roles for a leader: moralist, jurist, teacher, steward and philosopher.

Today, the Stockdale Award recognizes those who demonstrate inspirational leadership both professionally and personally, and contribute to the improvement of leadership in the Navy.

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A selection board meets and selects two winners from a group of six finalists. These finalists deserve special mention:

Pacific Fleet finalists:

- Cmdr. Sean P. Lewis, Commanding Officer, USS Sterett (DDG 104)
- Cmdr. Corey Poorman, Commanding Officer, USS Pasadena (SSN 752)
- Cmdr. Steven J. Shauberger, Commanding Officer of Electronic Attack Squadron 135 (VAQ-135)

U.S. Fleet Forces finalist:

- Cmdr. Troy Tartaglia, Commanding Officer, Patrol Squadron 16 (VP-16)

O’Loughlin and Trask will be honored in a ceremony in the Pentagon tentatively scheduled for this November.

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MC3 Alexa Trafton

Service academy students hold a discussion with Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON) Russell Smith, right, during the joint Regional Discussion on Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment at the State University of New York (SUNY) in New York City, Sept. 5. The one-day conference follows the inaugural National Discussion on Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment at America’s Colleges, Universities and Service Academies held last April at the U.S. Naval Academy.

HARASSMENT | More than 280 participants including regional experts attended conference

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gy and thinking outside the box.”

Johnson said the exchange of ideas among institutions of higher education and subject-matter experts is necessary to drive down incidents of sexual assault and sexual harassment. “At SUNY we have developed a comprehensive policy agenda that includes providing cutting-edge training to enhance the knowledge and skills of our students, faculty and staff,” she said.

The four superintendents of the Army, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard military academies joined Rear Adm. Michael Alfultis, president of the SUNY Maritime College, in a special panel discussion on their views on preventing sexual assault and harassment and the effectiveness of current programs.

Vice Adm. Sean Buck, superintendent of the Naval Academy, said current efforts such as midshipmen surveys must be enhanced by commitments from top academy leaders as well as from their peers. “As

we show our students that we have a very inclusive and safe environment where they’re treated with dignity and respect, which they may not have been treated [with] before, they begin to feel like they can open up and trust their leadership,” said Buck.

University and military students also provided feedback to the leaders. Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy Russell L. Smith moderated a panel of students who answered audience questions and discussed their perspectives and role in effective assault-prevention programs.

Midshipman 1st Class Kody Rulofson said the educational side of sexual assault and harassment is crucial to his generation, in particular the way information is disseminated through the ranks. More transparency in not only the results of surveys and data but also in the processes cadets or midshipmen can use to get through these difficult situations will create greater trust in leadership, he said.

The regional discussion concluded with

closing remarks by Vice Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Robert Burke.

“This is a serious subject, but talking about it helps. There is an undercurrent of hope and confidence here,” he said. “I am inspired by a sense of purpose as we come together to learn from one another, to take new ideas toward our shared goal of eliminating sexual assault. Changing culture takes time and commitment, so we must stay with it.”

The conference follows the inaugural National Discussion, held at the U.S. Naval Academy in April. The U.S. Army will host the second annual National Discussion on Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment at West Point April 1-2, 2020. The Department of the Navy plans to host discussions at other locations in the next year, including in the Southwest and the Midwest.

For further information, visit www.navy.mil, www.facebook.com/usnavy, or www.twitter.com/usnavy. Much of the NYC Regional Discussion was recorded, and can be viewed at <https://navylive.dodlive.mil/2019/08/23/departement-of-navy-suny-team-up-against-sexual-assault-sexual-harassment/>.



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MC2 Michael B. Zingaro
Electrician's Mate 2nd Class Henry Wagner, assigned to the Los Angeles-class fast-attack submarine USS Olympia (SSN 717), holds his newborn son for the first time during Olympia's homecoming. Olympia returned from a seven-month, around-the-world deployment in support of maritime security operations with allies and partners to ensure high-end war fighting capabilities in this era of great power competition.

USS OLYMPIA COMPLETES FIRST GLOBAL DEPLOYMENT

From Commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet Public Affairs

PEARL HARBOR

Friends and families of the crew gathered on the submarine pier at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Sept. 8 to welcome Los Angeles-class fast-attack submarine USS Olympia (SSN 717) home from a seven-month, around-the-world deployment, conducting operations to support national security.

“Olympia and her crew performed with excellence,” said Master Chief Electronics Technician (Radio) Arturo Placencia, Olympia’s chief-of-the-boat, a native of Duncan, Oklahoma.

“For everyone onboard, this was the first time we completed a circumnavigation of the globe,” Placencia said. “As a Pacific

“For everyone onboard, this was the first time we completed a circumnavigation of the globe. As a Pacific Fleet boat, this was also our first deployment in the 5th and 6th Fleet [areas]. We have been training towards this deployment for months, and it was great to see the Sailors put their skills and knowledge to the test.

Arturo Placencia

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their skills and knowledge to the test. “Our motto is ‘We do difficult things with excellence, strength and honor,’ and that’s exactly what our Sailors did,” he added.

During its deployment, Olympia made port visits to Souda Bay, Greece and to Gibraltar, “to foster and sustain relationships with the Gibraltar and Royal Navy,” said Cmdr. Benjamin Selph, Olympia’s commanding officer. “The crew of Olympia welcomed British Parliament members on a tour of the mighty Olympia during our visit. We joined the crew of HMS Talent (S92) in a day of barbeque and friendly sports competitions of soccer, football and volleyball. There was also a promotion ceremony for two Olympia Sailors and a dolphin presentation onboard Talent,” Selph said.

During their scheduled port call to Souda Bay, Olympia’s crew completed an expeditionary weapons load to demonstrate their warfighting capabilities.

“Our submarine force operates globally with allies and partners to ensure high-end warfighting capability in this era of great power competition,” said Rear Adm. Blake Converse, commander of the Submarine

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MC2 Stoner
Sailors aboard the guided-missile destroyer USS Gridley (DDG 101) man the rails as the ship pulls in to Halifax, Nova Scotia, during a scheduled visit.

USS Gridley joins NATO allies in visit to Halifax before joint exercise

By MC2 Cameron Stoner
Standing NATO Maritime Group One Public Affairs

HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA

U.S. Navy guided-missile destroyer USS Gridley (DDG 101) joined allies from Standing NATO Maritime Group One (SNMGI) in a scheduled port visit to Halifax, Nova Scotia, Sept. 5-6, before exercise Cutlass Fury 2019, hosted by the Royal Canadian Navy.

SNMGI also includes Royal Norwegian

Navy frigate HNoMS Thor Heyerdahl (F-314), Belgian Navy frigate Leopold I (F930), Portuguese Navy frigate NRP D. Francisco de Almeida (F334) and Royal Netherlands Navy frigate HNLMS Van Speijk (F 828).

“It was a pleasure for SNMGI to visit Halifax as we prepared to participate in the Royal Canadian Navy (RCN)-hosted exer-

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Dept. of Navy transforms Naval education, hires first Chief Learning Officer

From Office of the Under Secretary of the Navy Public Affairs

WASHINGTON

Secretary of the Navy Richard V. Spencer on Sept. 10 announced John R. Kroger as the Department of the Navy’s first-ever chief learning officer (CLO), who will lead and unify all Navy and Marine Corps formal education programs.

Kroger comes to the Department from Harvard University, where he served as a visiting professor at Harvard Law School and leader in residence at the Kennedy School of Government. He was president of Reed College in Portland, Oregon, from 2012 to 2018. He previously served as attorney general for the State of Oregon and as a federal prosecutor.

As the secretary of the Navy’s staff assistant for naval education, Kroger will be responsible for implementing sweeping educational changes, directed by Spencer earlier this year, to better prepare the Navy and Marine Corps for a new era of great power competition and massive technological change. This was one of the key recommendations of the Education for Seapower (E4S) study completed late last year, chaired by Under Secretary of the Navy Thomas B. Modly, the first such review of naval education in more than 100 years.

As the leader of naval education, Kroger will align the efforts of the Department’s academic institutions to improve officers-



U.S. Navy
A portrait of John R. Kroger, the Department of the Navy’s first-ever Chief Learning Officer (CLO). The CLO position was created to unify all Navy and Marine Corps formal education programs and will be responsible for implementing education changes directed by the Secretary of the Navy.

critical and strategic thinking. Those institutions include the United States Naval Academy, Naval War College, Marine Corps University and the Naval Postgraduate School.

“I am convinced now more than ever that the intellectual development of our naval

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Lisa Smith Molinari

COLLEGE SURVIVAL REQUIRES ONLY THE ‘ESSENTIALS’

By Lisa Smith Molinari
The Meat & Potatoes of Life

“Mom! Where did you put the cups for my smoothie maker?!” my daughter, Anna, yelled from our basement last week while packing for her last year of college. An artsy fashion design major who considers orderliness boring, Anna was infamous in our family for losing things and accusing others of taking them.

To help Anna avoid the college moving day fiascos of years past, I had advised her to place her belongings in our dining room where they could be sorted, then taken out to the car. The plastic tubs she’d lugged up from our basement contained the jumble of things Anna felt were “key and essential” for the apartment she would share with three of her fashion design major girlfriends.

Many items thrown haphazardly into the tubs were a good sign.

The laptop, printer, and tangle of charging cords conjured visions of late nights studying to get good grades. The desk caddy packed to the gills with pencils, charcoals, scissors, brushes and tempura paint cakes would surely spur creativity. The mismatched plates, cups, bowls, cutlery, pots and pans were a comforting indication that Anna might not go broke buying take out. Though I suspected that the toilet bowl brush might never see any action, I was pleased that, at the very least, Anna

wanted the impression of cleanliness. The Keurig, while a bit extravagant for a college student, would enable Anna to rise early and get the worm.

However, other items gave me an uncomfortable pause.

I had suspected that the smoothie maker was merely a parent-appropriate way to describe a margarita blender. But the humungous four-gallon jar with a spigot affixed to the bottom was surely not for lemonade. Anna might be 21, but my eye still twitched when I saw the bottle of rum she packed between her bed linens.

Two large stuffed suitcases, three garbage bags bursting with hanging clothes, and two sets of plastic drawers filled with accessories seemed excessive even for a fashion design major, and had me wondering why she needed anything other than comfy sweats for studying in the library. The bins filled to the top with make up, nail polish, hair accessories and flat irons were enough to set up a small beauty salon. The strings of lights, electronic neon lips, and tub full of costumes such as wigs, hats, flower leis, leather pants, feather boas, hip-high cowboy boots, and a metallic spandex catsuit made me wonder if Anna was going into the nightclub business.

Somehow we forced it all into the car, and drove the six hours to her new apartment at

Syracuse University. I helped Anna hump the boxes, bins and suitcases up to the seventh floor apartment where she would spend her senior year, but after two trips up together, Anna took pity on her middle-aged mom and ordered me to unpack while she brought the rest up alone.

I stationed myself in her bedroom, where I set about hanging up the clothing and accessories from the suit cases and garbage bags. The shoes Anna chose to bring were definitely not conducive to walking to class — lime green alligator pumps, orange booties with lucite heels, silver metallic combat boots, and snake-skin high heels with straps that wrapped up to the knee. And other than a few sorority sweat-shirts, the garments included an inordinate number of clubbing outfits — holographic pants, a pleather crop top, a faux snakeskin vest, an animal print miniskirt and many dresses fashioned out of less than a yard of fabric.

After unpacking Anna’s belongings, we made the obligatory annual trip to the nearest Target for “just a few things” to fill the gaps. Conveniently, Anna had made a list of the most “necessary” supplies: Sweet potato gnocchi, cashew pesto, goat cheese crumbles, arugula, greek yogurt, quinoa, garbanzo beans, Kind bars, gluten free bread, almond milk, a 48 pack of coffee pods, and a twelve-pack of spiked seltzer.

Target didn’t have the goat cheese crumbles on Anna’s list, but as I made the six-hour drive back home, I suspected that my daughter’s resourcefulness would ensure that she would survive her senior year of college just fine.

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Navy Exchanges launch revamped Student-Rewards Program

From Navy Exchange Service Command Public Affairs

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA.

The Navy Exchange Service Command has revamped its student-reward program just in time for the new school year.

The NEXTgen Scholars Program still offers all qualified students the opportunity to win \$2,500, \$1,500, \$1,000 or \$500 each quarter. Along with the monetary award, each winner will now receive a certificate and medal, whose ribbon reads “In Honor of Academic Excellence.” The next drawing is at the end of September.

Any eligible full-time student who has a B-grade point average equivalent or better, as determined by their school system, may enter the drawing. Homeschooled students can also qualify with acknowledgement that the student has a “B” average or equivalent record of accomplishment.

Eligible students include dependent children of active duty members, reservists and



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military retirees as well as U.S. civilian Department of Defense employees stationed outside the continental United States and U.S. civilian employees of firms under contract to the Department of Defense outside the continental United States. Students must be enrolled in 1st through 12th grade. Dependent children without an individual Dependent Identification Card must be accompanied by their sponsor to submit their entry. Each student may enter only once each grading period and must re-enter with each qualifying report card.

To enter the drawing, students will need to stop by any NEX with their current report card or other performance document and fill

out an entry card that will be validated by an NEX associate. Once students fill out an entry card they will be given coupon good for \$10 off a one-time purchase of \$20 or more.

Thanks to its vendor partners, NEXCOM has awarded a total of \$738,500 in savings bonds and monetary awards to students since the program’s inception in 1997.

For more information on the NEXTgen Scholars Program visit myNavyExchange.com/NEXTgen. The first drawing of the NEXTgen Scholars Program will be at the end of September 2019.

For more news from Navy Exchange Service Command, visit www.navy.mil/local/nex-com/.



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MC3 Maria Llanos
U.S. Navy Lt. Cmdr. Joseph Harmon, a pediatric neurologist assigned to the hospital ship USNS Comfort (T-AH 20), listens to the breathing of a 19-year-old man suffering from a traumatic brain injury at a temporary medical treatment site in Santa Marta, Colombia, Aug. 23.

Comfort provides medical assistance in Colombia

By MC3 Kryzentia Richards
U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command & U.S. Fourth Fleet Public Affairs

SANTA MARTA, COLOMBIA

The hospital ship USNS Comfort (T-AH 20) arrived in Colombia for its fifth medical mission in Central America, South America and the Caribbean.

While in port, a joint team of U.S. and partner nation service members and non-governmental organization civilians will work alongside host nation specialists to provide medical assistance to help relieve pressure on the health system strained by the Venezuelan migration crisis.

“Delivering medical care to a large number of people in such a short amount of time is an enormous undertaking,” said Lt. Cmdr. Daniel Dean, one of the two temporary medical treatment site officers-in-charge. “Hav-

ing the support of our partner nation counterparts makes the experience both possible and rewarding.”

The Comfort team consists of more than 900 personnel including military, non-governmental organization volunteers and personnel from partner nations.

“We have worked closely with the U.S. embassy and Santa Marta’s Ministry of Health to bring the very best in humanitarian and civic assistance to the people of Santa Marta,” said Capt. Patrick Amersbach, commanding officer, USNS Comfort. “We’re doing something really important here, and I’m excited to be a part of bringing this opportunity to Santa Marta on this next leg of our mission.”

This marks the sixth Comfort visit to Colombia and the seventh to the region since 2007. The embarked medical teams will pro-



MC2 Julio Martinez
Ana Cristina Calza, a translator from the National University of Sabana, helps a child learn strength building exercises for her legs at a temporary medical treatment site in Santa Marta, Colombia, Aug. 25.

vide care aboard Comfort and at two land-based medical sites.

This mission stop is part of the U.S. Southern Command’s Enduring Promise initiative

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Joint Staff Leader welcomes newest top tacticians to the Fleet

From Naval Surface and Mine Warfighting Development Center Public Affairs

DAHLGREN, VA.

Ten surface warfare officers joined a growing base of top tacticians in the Surface Fleet by earning the qualification as Integrated Air and Missile Defense (IAMD) Warfare Tactics Instructors (WTI) from Naval Surface and Mine Warfighting Development Center (SMWDC) during a ceremony at the Aegis Training and Readiness Center.

“In the maritime profession of arms, WTIs are key strategic enablers operating at the tactical level,” said Deputy Director for Resources and Acquisition on the Joint Staff Rear Adm. James Aiken, who was the guest speaker at the event. “You should be proud of what you have accomplished; know that we are placing special trust and confidence in each of you to be warriors, thinkers, teachers, and learners who are not only developing your own knowledge and expertise, but more importantly, developing battle-minded, well-prepared warfighters alongside you on ships going into harm’s way. You have an important mission through SMWDC’s lines of operation and in your follow on assignments.”

The Navy established SMWDC in 2015 - along with four other Warfighting Development Centers (WDC) in other warfight-



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ing communities - to increase the lethality and proficiency of the Surface Force across all domains. The WTI program is a central element of SMWDC’s efforts, and it is developing a new generation of highly trained surface warfare tacticians who are returning to the fleet as force-multipliers for their watch teams. After earning qualification in either Integrated Air and Missile Defense (IAMD), Amphibious Warfare (AMW), Anti-Submarine/Surface Warfare (ASW/SUW), and Mine Warfare (MIW), Warfare Tactics Instructors complete a production tour, where they bring their skills to bear by providing advanced tactical training, developing tactics and doctrine, providing operational support and crafting capability assessments.

SMWDC’s Integrated Air and Missile Defense (IAMD) Division in Dahlgren, Virginia is focused on training top junior officer talent within the surface force, specific to the field of Integrated Air and Missile Defense (IAMD). The IAMD Division executes the rigorous 15-week program that

includes classroom instruction with the Aegis Training and Readiness Center (ATRC), and tactical training, mission planning, and on-site visits with the Naval Aviation Warfighting Development Center (NAWDC) and various Army and Air Force commands. The program focuses on the Navy’s most innovative tactics and technologies. Further, WTI candidates each have a specific research focus area to start them on the path to becoming a subject matter expert on that particular topic.

Additionally, select IAMD WTIs play an important role in the development of Live Fire With a Purpose (LFWAP) events – an enhanced missile exercise program designed to increase Fleet lethality and tactical proficiency. SMWDC is Commander, U.S. Fleet Force’s and U.S. Pacific Fleet’s executive agent (EA) for the LFWAP program, and plays a supporting role in the execution of the Strike Group-led events. Since program inception, more than 100 surface combatants - including aircraft carriers – have completed a LFWAP event.

Warfare commanders, commanding officers and leaders throughout the Fleet are highly encouraged to identify top talent to enter the WTI program. Commanding officers who wish to leverage WTI training for their top talent and keep them aboard their ship for a follow-on tour, should review the Accelerated Warfare or Division Officer Sequencing Plan programs available through SMWDC.

Leaders interested in further development of the tactical proficiency of their units should contact SMWDC’s WTI Program Managers directly at SWO_WTI@Navy.mil for more information.

SMWDC is a subordinate command of Commander, U.S. Naval Surface Forces, and is headquartered at Naval Base San Diego, with four divisions in Virginia and California focused on IAMD, ASW/SUW, MIW and AMW.

For more news from Naval Surface and Mine Warfighting Development Center , visit www.navy.mil/local/SMWDC/.

Renovated barracks reopens in Yokosuka

By Christina Johnson
Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka Public Affairs

YOKOSUKA, JAPAN

Capt. Rich Jarrett, Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY) commanding officer, cut the ribbon to officially reopen newly renovated barracks for Sailors transitioning between commands on Sept. 6.

The building, completed in 1991, has been under renovation by Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) and the Japanese company Ogura for the past 18 months, at a cost of around \$14.2 million.

“This was a lot of hard work by NAVFAC and everyone else who worked together ... to create a better environment for Sailors transiting into the area,” Jarrett said.

The two-person rooms in the Transient

Personnel Unit (TPU) feature a “Jack and Jill” setup, where two rooms are connected by a bathroom. Each room has brand-new furniture, and a gym and recreation room were included in the renovation.

“I love it because I helped design it,” said Culinary Spec. 1st Class Dennis Evans, TPU’s leading petty officer. “The best thing about the renovation is the rec room.”

The 60,000 square feet of living space, across four floors, can accommodate 260 unaccompanied Sailors as they move from one command to another.

“I think it’s great, it’s very welcoming to the new people who come in,” said Lt. Ryan Bowers, TPU officer in charge. “It’s a great facility with nice amenities while they wait for their transition in or out of the 7th Fleet.

“This is the best TPU on the planet,” Jarrett added.

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



Edward L. Holland

Cmdr. Robert Olson, Contracts Director, Naval Facilities Engineering Command Far East (NAVFAC), Capt. Rich Jarrett, Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY) commanding officer, along with construction managers, and Sailors officially reopen the Transient Personnel Unit (TPU) barracks during a ribbon cutting ceremony following an 18-month, \$14.2 million renovation of the facility.

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MC2 Devin Bowser
Sailors assigned to Naval Station Mayport lay down mooring lines as the Whidbey Island-class amphibious dock landing ship USS Ft. McHenry (LSD 43) moved in preparation for Hurricane Dorian at Naval Station Mayport, Aug. 29.

Navy offers reimbursement details for those returning post Dorian

From Navy Region Southeast Public Affairs

JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

As personnel in Navy Region Southeast return after Hurricane Dorian, the command offers details on reimbursement of expenses for those who were evacuated as authorized by Rear Adm. Gary Mayes, commander of Navy Region Southeast.

Per Diem – the money authorized to cover lodging, food and incidentals – is authorized to be paid to evacuees at the rate of the approved safe-haven location. Navy Region Southeast established safe haven locations around Tallahassee, Fla.; Atlanta, Ga.; Columbia, S.C.; and Tampa, Fla.. As an example, the daily rates for Tallahassee are \$102 for lodging, \$56 for food, and \$5 for incidentals.

Anyone who evacuated to locations, outside of the approved safe haven location for their command, will only be reimbursed at the safe haven per diem rates.

Reimbursement for meals is based on the number of authorized travelers and paid out at the approved rate. However, there are calculations to determine maximum amounts for families. Receipts for meals are not required however; we strongly recommend you keep them.

Travel expenses to evacuate are similar and are only reimbursed up to the safe-haven location. Travel to the safe haven in a personal vehicle is reimbursed at \$0.58 cents per mile.

Once the military evacuee receives notification from their appropriate Routing/Re-

viewing Official, they may access Defense Travel System to complete their travel authorization and voucher for reimbursement. Military evacuees will need a copy of your NAVPERS 1070/602 (Dependency Application/Record of Emergency Data), itemized lodging receipts in the traveler's name, Evacuation Lodging Reimbursement Certification Form (if claiming lodging), and receipts for claimed expenses of \$75 or more.

Civilians will need: DD Form 1351-2 (Travel Voucher), DD Form 1610 (TDY Orders), bank routing and account information for direct deposit, Evacuation Lodging Reimbursement Certification form (if claiming lodging), itemized lodging receipts in the traveler's name, and receipts for claimed expenses of \$75 or more. Commands may establish a schedule to create and issue the evacuation orders for travel claims, so evacuees are urged to maintain contact with the parent command.

Personnel are reminded that evacuation

entitlements will end upon return to home station or at 11:59 p.m. Sept. 8 – whichever is earlier. If authorized to evacuate, military and civilian employees should maintain all travel and lodging receipts to ensure proper reimbursement.

For help understanding how to submit for reimbursement, applicable rates or eligibility; go to your local Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) or call 1-866-293-2776 to be directed to the appropriate FFSC. Command administrative offices are also a vital resource to help clarify evacuation and reimbursement issues, and will be the primary authority for review and approval of claims.

The Navy Family Accountability and Assistance System (NFAAS) has established a needs assessment module on the NFAAS website to enable hurricane-affected personnel to document their status and request assistance if needed. Go to <https://navyfamily.navy.mil> or call (877) 414-5358 to file a request for help.

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Aboard the USS Midway Museum in San Diego, California, the Office of Naval Research Global (ONRG) TechSolutions held a demonstration of Topside Drone, a corrosion/anomaly detection sensor payload and processing scheme outfitted to a commercial-off-the-shelf unmanned aerial vehicle.

Bobby Cummings

Corrosion control: Topside drone keeps vessels ship-shape

From Office of Naval Research Public Affairs
ARLINGTON, VA.

The unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) launches straight up from the deck of the USS Midway, its operator carefully maneuvering the UAV in front of the ship's air traffic control tower. Along the UAV's predetermined flight path, the camera mounted beneath the UAV captures ship imagery for a few minutes, and then zooms back down to its landing pad.

The sounds and the action on board the USS Midway are much different today from decades ago. The legendary aircraft carrier that once launched aircraft from its deck during the Vietnam War and Operation Desert Storm is now a museum in San

Diego, Calif. Although decommissioned, the U.S. Navy in partnership with the Midway Museum's leadership team still discover opportunities to utilize the ship to benefit America's Sailors and Marines.

"Topside Drone" is a development of a corrosion/anomaly detection sensor payload and processing scheme, outfitted to a commercial-off-the-shelf (COTS) UAV. The technology will inspect and detect material defects, corrosion, warping and other conditions plaguing naval vessels. The drone flies around the area of inspection and takes photographs and measurements for evaluation to determine if corrosion exists—and the severity.

TechSolutions—the Office of Naval Research (ONR) Global's rapid-response

science and technology prototyping initiative—is the sponsor for this developing technology.

"Corrosion is there all the time; elements like rain and seawater are constantly corroding a ship," said Lt. Rouben Azad, a student at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California, who attended the demonstration. "I have been on ships where it is difficult for the human eye to identify corrosion. Through infrared imagery, the Topside Drone inspection technology can identify corrosion from 80 feet away."

Topside Drone features complementary payloads for data collection. A LiDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) payload uses light in the form of a pulsed laser to measure distances to an object. A LiDAR scan accurately captures the geometry of everything in line of sight and is used to create a digital model of the ship.

A second payload of visible/infrared camera captures images that orient geometrically to the digital model. The images are then algorithmically inspected for corrosion using computer vision.

In addition to enhanced identification capabilities, Topside Drone will reduce

the maintenance demand for Sailors.

"Sailors spend a lot of their time looking at different things on the ship, from corrosion to other equipment," said Dr. Mark Bilinski, Naval Information Warfare Center, Pacific and the integrated project team lead for topside drone. "A UAV can go around and take photos of the topside of a ship, collect that data quickly and autonomously, and then the data can be evaluated to identify if corrosion exists without tying up a Sailor's time."

During the demo, the computer vision algorithm analyzed the collected data and revealed significant corrosion all over the USS Midway—as a museum ship, it was a target-rich environment.

TechSolutions accepts requests directly from Sailors on the deck plates and Marines on the front lines and delivers prototype solutions within approximately 12 months.

"ONR TechSolutions is doing a lot of good for Sailors and Marines," said Azad. "They're taking our feedback and delivering the tools we need to accomplish our mission. Topside Drone will save the Navy money and free up Sailors to apply their skills to their primary duties."



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MC2 Michael B. Zingaro
The crew of the Los Angeles-class fast-attack submarine USS Olympia (SSN 717) moors to the submarine pier following a seven-month deployment. Olympia returned from an around-the-world deployment in support of maritime security operations with allies and partners to ensure high-end war fighting capabilities in this era of great power competition.

OLYMPIA | *Final deployment for submarine after 35 years of service*

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Force for U.S. Pacific Fleet. "Submarine crews, like Olympia, train and operate every day to guarantee we are ready to fight tonight."

During the deployment, 35 Sailors earned their submarine warfare qualification, and 29 achieved advanced supervisory qualifications.

"The Navy ensures the safety of the seas and the security of the world's oceans to provide safe-global commerce, and I got to be part of that," said Machinist's Mate (Nuclear) 3rd Class William Christmas, from Warner Robins, Georgia. "It was an amazing experience passing the equator and being able to participate in a Shellback ceremony with the crew."

This Western Pacific deployment is scheduled to be Olympia's last before it heads to Bremerton, Wash., for inactivation.

"Olympia has completed her final deployment after 35 years of service, circumnavigating the globe in seven months starting from Oahu, Hawaii, transiting through the Panama Canal, Strait of Gibraltar and Suez Canal," Selph said. "Sailing around the world in our country's oldest serving nuclear-powered Los Angeles-class fast-attack submarine is a testament to the durability and design of the submarine, but also



MC1 Amanda Gray
The Los Angeles-class fast-attack submarine USS Olympia (SSN 717) returns home following a seven-month deployment. Olympia conducted an around-the-world deployment in support of maritime security operations with allies and partners to ensure high-end war fighting capabilities in this era of great power competition.

the tenacity and 'fight on' spirit of the crew."

Olympia holds a piece of Navy submarine history: Cmdr. Richard O'Kane's lucky cribbage board. In 1943, O'Kane, executive officer for the Gato-class submarine USS Wahoo (SS 283), was dealt the highest possible hand. That night, Wahoo sank two Japanese freighters, and the luck continued.

Years later, the cribbage board moved to USS Tang (SS 306) and has been passed on

to submarines ever since. Next it went to USS Kamehameha (SSN 642), then to USS Parche (SSN 683), USS Los Angeles (SSN 688) and USS Bremerton (SSN 698) before going to Olympia. The crew will turn the cribbage board over to the next-oldest fast-attack submarine in the Pacific before Olympia decommissions.

Olympia is the second ship of the Navy to be named after Olympia, Washington. The

boat is the 29th of the Los Angeles-class fast-attack submarines. Its keel was laid by Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company March 31, 1981. Olympia was commissioned Nov. 17, 1984.

For more news from the Pacific Submarine Force, visit www.csp.navy.mil.

For more news from Commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, visit www.navy.mil/local/subpac/.

HALIFAX | *Gridley underway on regularly scheduled deployment as flagship of SNMG1*

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cise Cutlass Fury 2019," said Rear Adm. Edward Cashman, commander of SNMG1.

"SNMG1's primary mission is to deter conflict and preserve security by serving as the core maritime contribution to NATO's Very High Readiness Joint Task Force (VJTF)," Cashman said. "The group provides NATO with maritime capability to quickly respond to crisis or contingency where needed."

"Our participation in Cutlass Fury supports that mission by enabling us to build and maintain readiness across the spectrum of operations and giving us the opportunity to integrate with the RCN, so that we could quickly respond and operate together if needed," Cashman continued. "We appreciate the warm welcome we received from the people of Halifax; we only wish that our visit could have been longer."

To avoid potential rough weather in Halifax Harbor resulting from Hurricane Dorian, most ships participating in Cutlass Fury 2019 departed port two days earlier than planned. Going to sea and maneuvering to avoid bad weather generally reduces the risk of damage to ships and equipment.

SNMG1 participated in several events during the group's short time in Halifax, including a reception hosted by the Royal Canadian Navy aboard the Royal Canadian Navy frigate HMCS Ville De Quebec (FFH 332) on Thursday, Sept. 5, and planning meetings for the exercise held prior to the



MC2 Cameron Stoner
Sailors aboard the guided-missile destroyer USS Gridley (DDG 101) moor the ship pierside in Halifax, Nova Scotia, during a scheduled visit.

ships' departures on Friday, Sept. 6.

"It was exciting to see the Halifax regional municipality and the Canadian navy on the east coast essentially 'show off' to quite a number of sailors and ships who are all part of a close alliance," said RCN Lt. Cmdr. Allan Wilson, the staff above-water warfare officer for SNMG1. "This visit was an opportunity for the city, people and our forces to appreciate the value of having us here."

"The east coast is known for its tremendous hospitality, and it was on full display during our time here," Wilson said. "As a Canadian, I'm really proud of the work they

put in to creating a great port visit."

SNMG1 is one of four standing maritime task groups composed of ships from various Allied countries. These task groups form the core maritime capabilities of NATO's Very High Readiness Joint Task Force (VJTF). They provide a continuous maritime capability to execute NATO missions across the spectrum of operations, demonstrate solidarity, and strengthen diplomatic and professional links among Allied naval forces.

For more news from Navy Public Affairs Support Element, visit www.navy.mil/local/npasehq/.

LEARNING | *Kroger comes to department from Harvard*

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personnel is the most critical warfighting capability for our national security," Spencer said. "Failure to adapt to all aspects of how we prepare our naval leaders for the future creates an unacceptable risk for American citizens, who have long relied on the Navy and Marine Corps to be at the intellectual forefront of national-security concerns."

Kroger will also be charged with implementing education reforms such as the establishment of a Naval Community College (NCC) for enlisted personnel. The forthcoming blue-green institution of higher learning will be a fully accredited online system allowing Marines and Sailors to earn an associate's degree while on active duty and to transfer their credits to bachelor's degree programs at civilian universities.

"Bringing in a CLO is one of our first steps in investing in our people and preparing them to not only know what to think, but how to think, as it relates to the current and future threat environment," Modly said. "Investing in their education in the naval profession is our institutional and their personal responsibility. Future threats will be fast and unpredictable. We need people at all ranks and levels that can think through the problems we'll face."

Kroger served as an enlisted Marine from 1983 to 1986. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Yale and his law degree from Harvard.

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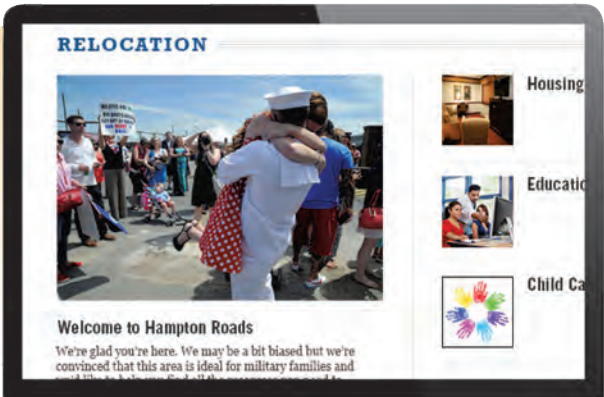


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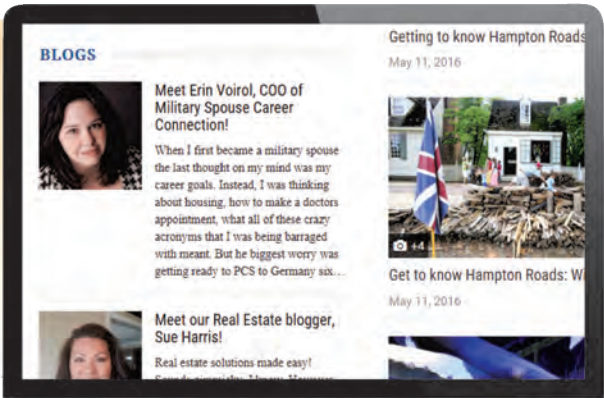
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A U.S. Navy boat from Norfolk was found floating off Ireland’s coast

By Katherine Hafner

Crew members of western Ireland’s Doolin Ferry Co. were headed to Inis Oirr, a small island in Galway Bay, on Monday afternoon when they spotted something bright orange floating in the water. “First I had a feeling of fear, (wondering) if there was people in difficulty 'cause we could only see about a meter of the bow sticking out of the water,” Tom Noel, one of the crew members, said in an email to The Virginian-Pilot Thursday. “Then once we got closer and could see the amount of growth on it, I knew it was a long time in the water and that it was only a danger to navigation.”

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Courtesy of Doolin Ferry Co and Cormac Coyne

The Navy training boat manufactured by Silver Ships was found floating off the coast of western Ireland on Sept. 2.



Jim Hansen

94th annual Hampton Cup Regatta returns to Fort Monroe

Press Release

HAMPTON, VA.

This Sept. 21-22, speed into aquatic adrenaline action as the Hampton Cup Regatta, the oldest continuously running hydroplane race in America, returns to Mill Creek in Hampton, Va., for its 94th running. Join upwards of 25,000 spectators for a weekend of on-the-water thrills, chills and racing excitement. Up to 80 hydroplanes, flat bottoms and jersey speed skiffs from the United States and Canada are expected to compete during the 94th annual event. This year, the Hampton Cup Regatta is hosting the American Powerboat Association’s Summer Nationals and welcomes some of the fastest watercraft in the world.

More information

September 21: 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
September 22: 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Mill Creek between Phoebus and the entrance of Fort Monroe Hampton, VA 23663

With boats as long as 24 ft., and some reaching speeds of 150 mph, these vessels often set both national and world records. Best of all, the Hampton Cup Regatta is one of the last remaining boat races in the country free of charge! In 2019, Hampton hosts up to 14 classes of the fastest hydroplanes in North America. Considered the loudest piston-powered racing boats in the

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CORRECTION: See page C7 for the correct answers to August 29’s CryptoQuip puzzle

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Norfolk In-Water Boat Show

- Sept. 13-15
- Waterside Marina, Town Point Park
- <https://festevents.org/events/2019-season-events/norfolk-boat-show/>

The only major in-water boat show in the Hampton Roads region, the Norfolk In-Water Boat Show made its grand return to the Downtown Norfolk Waterfront last year after significant interest from Hampton Roads boating industry leaders. A total of 15 of the East Coast’s top dealers and brokers will be showcasing more than 35 premier power boat brands, including both new and used luxury motor yachts, sport fishers, personal watercraft, and much more.



Virginia Zoo

Growl Fest

- Sept. 14, 6:00-9:00 p.m.
- Virginia Zoo
- <http://virginiazoo.org/events/growlfest2019>

Come get your growl on at the Virginia Zoo! Join us for a fun-filled evening of beer, food trucks, a DJ and games at Growl Fest to benefit the Sunrise and Downtown Rotary Clubs of Norfolk and the Virginia Zoo. Growl Fest includes exclusive after-hours access to the Zoo, with select animals on exhibit late. This is fun for the whole family or a group of your wildest friends.



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Neptune's 23rd Annual Fall Wine Festival

- Sept. 14 and 15, 12:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Neptune's Park, 31st St. and Atlantic Ave.
- www.neptunefestival.com/events/fall-wine-festival

Join your friends by the oceanfront for an afternoon hosted by Virginia's leading vineyards. Taste from over 70 wines while you meet and greet the fascinating people who are forging Virginia's reputation for quality wines. Enjoy delicious food, live entertainment and the opportunity to purchase the wines you like by the bottle and case.



Courtesy photo

Busch Gardens' Howl-O-Scream

- Sept. 14-Oct. 27, 5:45 p.m.
- Busch Gardens Williamsburg
- <https://buschgardens.com/williamsburg/events/howl-o-scream/>

Experience fall by day, and fright by night during Howl-O-Scream at Busch Gardens Williamsburg. This year features more scares, more screams and more jack. Explore new twists on your favorite haunted houses and scare zones, new escape rooms and the return of a beloved show, Jack is Back. Join us select dates Sept. 14-Oct. 27. The park transforms every night at 5:45 p.m.

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U.S. Navy

Mid-Atlantic Regional Maintenance Center gets new commanding officer

By Aaron Glover

NORFOLK

Capt. Tim Barney took command of Mid-Atlantic Regional Maintenance Center (MARMC) during a change of command ceremony at Vista Point Conference Center in Norfolk, Aug. 16.

MARMC is responsible for providing surface ship maintenance, management and oversight of private sector maintenance and fleet technical assistance to ships in the Mid-Atlantic region of the United States and provides support to the 5th and 6th Fleet Area of Responsibilities. They are also responsible for the floating drydock Dynamic (AFDL-6).

During the ceremony, Barney had the opportunity to speak to the more than 500 guests in attendance.

“I look forward to leading MARMC and working with our numerous ship maintenance partners, providing superior material condition to the ships, submarines, and aircraft carriers and their operational commanders,” said Barney.

Barney joined the Navy in 1988 as a

nuclear machinist’s mate until being awarded a Navy Reserve Officer Training Corps (NROTC) scholarship to the University of Michigan. While attending college he worked as a safety technician in civilian government service until being commissioned in 1993, after earning his Bachelor of Science degree in Physics.

He served aboard USS Elrod (FFG 55), USS George Washington (CVN 73) and USS Enterprise (CVN 65). His shore duties include Aircraft Carrier Nuclear Assistant Project Superintendent, Submarine Deputy Project Superintendent, Carrier Type Desk Officer and Submarine Type Desk Officer at Norfolk Naval Shipyard (NNSY). He also served as the deputy ship design manager for in-service aircraft carriers during a tour at Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA 05V). He was later selected to support the withdrawal of combat forces from Iraq and served as the senior mission director and site lead in Umm Qasr, Iraq.

He then served as the Business and Strategic Planning Officer and Production Resources Officer at Pearl

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Capt. Tim Barney

Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility (PHNSY & IMF). Most recently, he served as Waterfront Operations Officer at MARMC.

“Having had the opportunity to serve as MARMC’s Waterfront Operations Officer, I see the tremendous work that this team accomplishes every day. I am proud to be at the helm of such an outstanding and dedicated team – your knowledge, skillsets and professionalism will continue to make this command the leader in the ship repair industry,” said Barney.

REGATTA | Race first held in 1926 in Hampton River

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world, these hydroplanes are sure to have on-lookers marveling.

On Saturday and Sunday, racing starts at approximately 11:00 a.m. (bridge opens at approximately 10:00 a.m.) and ends by 5:00 p.m. in Mill Creek, located at the entrance of Fort Monroe from the East Mercury Boulevard Bridge in Hampton, Va.

There will be a kickoff event taking place at Oozlefinch Craft Brewery at 81 Patch Road on Fort Monroe the evening of September 20. A multitude of craft beer favorites will be tap. Music by The Running with Sizzors Band begins at 6:30 p.m. Food trucks will also be on site, including Flame and Pie. Music by PC&J (Sept. 21) and Zen Mojo (Sept. 22) will entertain in the main spectator area of the Mercury Blvd Bridge between race heats (1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. each day). There will be food trucks including Vickie Vail, Vinny’s on wheels, Kona Ice, Franks Monster Munchies, Black Pearl, J Deans Smokin’ Six-O BBQ and Still Water Tavern.

Souvenir programs, annual limited edition T-shirts, as well as other collectibles, will be on sale. Everyone’s favorite car show will also be returning. This year, the children’s area will



Jim Hansen

feature games and activities hosted by Calvary Assembly of God and the Fort Monroe YMCA, among others. Pirates from Blackbeard’s Crew will be returning to pillage and educate. There will also be ATM machines on the bridge for the duration of the weekend.

Lawn chairs are highly encouraged as bleacher seating is extremely limited. Attendees are also encouraged to bring pop-up tents or umbrellas for shade, however owners are responsible for securing them and are encouraged to share as needed.

The oldest continuous inboard race in America, Hampton Cup Regatta was first held in 1926 in the Hampton River. The regatta is the largest sporting event in Hampton, drawing spectators from as far away as Canada and having drawn racers from as far away as New Zealand.

Partially bordered by the Hampton Roads harbor and Chesapeake Bay, Hampton, with the 344,000 sq. ft. Hampton Roads Convention Center and the award-winning Hampton Coliseum, is located in the center of Coastal Virginia and the Hampton Roads metropolitan area. Hampton is the site of America’s first continuous English-speaking settlement, the site of the first arrival of Africans in English North America, and is home to such visitor attractions as the Virginia Air & Space Center, Fort Monroe National Monument, Fort Monroe History Museum, harbor tours and cruises, Hampton University Museum, The American Theatre, among others.

For more information on the 94th annual Hampton Cup Regatta, check out www.hamptoncupregatta.com or dial 757-727-8311.

Arts & Entertainment



Courtesy photo

Guys and Dolls at Virginia Stage Theatre packed with Broadway Stars, local talent

Press Release

Prohibition Era New York is bustling with glitz and glamour in this classic Tony Award-winning musical. Nathan Detroit, the city’s most infamous craps game organizer, makes the bet of a lifetime with high-roller Sky Masterson. Sky accepts, and tries to win the heart of “Save-A-Soul” missionary Sarah Brown, while Nathan’s fiancé of 14 years, Adelaide, grows tired of him gambling with hers. When it comes to love, these characters discover you’ve gotta roll the dice if you want to win big.

The cast of Guys and Dolls, a mixture of top out of town professionals and extremely talented locals, shines with actors who have recently been seen in pivotal roles of Broadway including Jessica Lee Goldyn as Val/Cassie in A Chrous Line, Jason T. Lane as Paul in Kiss Me Kate (featured on the Tony Awards), Brian Ray Norris as Mr. Krabs in SpoungeBobSquarePants the Broadway

Musical, and Sam Simahk in Carousel. Virginia Stage fans will recognize many local actors returning to the stage including stars of Matilda the Musical and A Christmas Carol, as well as Darius Nelson who was the Lion in 2017’s The Wiz.

Guys and Dolls begins on September 18 with an official opening night on September 21, and continues with performances through October 6. Tickets for each performance start as low as \$25 for children under 12 and discounts are available for groups, students, and the military. Ticket prices will vary throughout the run of the show, so buy now for the best seats at the best prices.

Virginia Stage Company is southeastern Virginia’s leading theater destination, serving an audience of over 70,000 annually both at the Wells Theatre and throughout the community. Virginia Stage Company’s mission is to "enrich, educate, and entertain the region by creating and producing theatrical art of the highest quality."



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Glass Wheel annnounces new exhibitions and the grand opening of new gallery

Press Release

HAMPTON ROADS, VA.

The TCC Perry Glass Wheel Arts Center is featuring two new exhibitions, “The TCC Revolving Art Faculty Exhibition” and “Barbara Kobylnska: Imaginary Creatures,” through December 31.

The artist’s reception and grand opening will be held on Sept. 20 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Galleries and events are free and open to the public.

In the first-floor gallery, selected members of the TCC Visual Arts Center faculty are showing their work in a wide variety of styles and approaches. Media includes painting, encaustic, sculpture, glass, pottery, drawing, photography, mixed, and more. Works will rotate on an ongoing basis.

A display of sculptural work by Barbara Kobylnska (Virginia Beach, Va.) is on display in the second-floor gallery. Mixed media animals – a kangaroo, mole, monkey,

cheetah, giraffe, fish, bugs, and others – are made from found and recycled objects. Colorful and imaginative, the works portray the artist’s unique and whimsical interpretation of the natural world.

The Center is located at 128 W. Olney Road, Norfolk, VA 23510.

Gallery hours are Thursday, 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; and Sunday 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

For more information, call Shelley Brooks at 757-822-1878, or visit artsattcc.org.

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IRELAND | Vessel
drifted more than 3,400 miles across ocean

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Upon investigating, Noel and the rest of the Doolin Express crew found the boat covered in goose barnacles — it had clearly been in the water for awhile — and along with a local fishing boat, towed the boat to the beach at Inis Oirr, where many islanders helped pull it ashore.

A day later, Doolin Ferry Co., which is based near Ireland’s famed Cliffs of Moher, posted the account on Facebook. At that point they guessed the boat was a U.S. Coast Guard rescue boat, but were hoping for any details on what brought it so far. The post blew up online.

“We couldn’t have predicted the interest from the public that there has been in this boat,” Liam O’Brien, the ferry company’s owner, later said in a news release. “There was a lot of growth on it, it had clearly been there for a long time. We already have a shipwreck on the island, so everyone’s saying this is the



Courtesy of Doolin Ferry Co and Cormac Coyne

new one. This is definitely the most unusual thing we have discovered and it’s drawing in lots of tourists to the area.”

News outlets across Ireland picked up the mystery. Thousands of people shared their theories on social media. Was it a drug-running boat masqueraded as law enforcement? Was it an American mili-

tary vessel used to spy on the Irish?

Within a day the answer came. A representative for Silver Ships Inc., an Alabama-based shipbuilding company, confirmed it had manufactured the boat in 2015 for the U.S. Navy, the ferry company’s Siobhan Nolan said in an email.

It’s a High Speed Maneuverable Sur-

face Target that can be used remotely and is used as target practice by the Navy.

“We believe the boat originated in Norfolk, Virginia,” Doolin Ferry Co. wrote on its website. “It’s likely that it was lost during a training exercise and it remained in the water drifting until it ended up in the water close to Inis Oirr. ... How cool is that?!”

That’s more than 3,400 miles of drifting.

Turns out, it’s true. Timothy Boulay, a spokesman for the Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division, said Thursday that the vessel was lost during a missile test and evaluation event about 75 miles off the coast of Norfolk last September.

After realizing the target was lost, the Atlantic Target and Maritime Operations team searched for five hours but couldn’t find it and notified the Coast Guard of the potential navigation hazard.

Is it shocking the boat made it across the Atlantic? Not very, Boulay said, because the test vessels are foam-filled so that they don’t sink. Navy folks hadn’t heard of the recent discovery until coming across a story on Facebook Wednesday.

“Our people are not surprised it made it to Ireland.”

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DOWNTON ABBEY [PG]

This fall, the worldwide phenomenon Downton Abbey, becomes a grand motion picture event, as the beloved Crawleys and their intrepid staff prepare for the most important moment of their lives. A royal visit from the King and Queen of England will unleash scandal, romance and intrigue that will leave the future of Downton hanging in the balance. Written by series creator Julian Fellowes and starring the original cast.

BLOODLINE [R]

Evan (Seann William Scott) values family above all else, and anyone who gets between him, his wife, and newborn son learns that the hard way. But when it comes to violent tendencies, it seems the apple doesn't fall far from the tree.

CORPORATE ANIMALS [R]

A delusional CEO (Demi Moore) takes her staff of misfits on a disastrous team building retreat led by an overeager guide (Ed Helms). When catastrophe strikes and the food runs out, mandatory office bonding becomes a lot more... appetizing.

RAMBO: LAST BLOOD [R]

Almost four decades after he drew first blood, Sylvester Stallone is back as one of the greatest action heroes of all time, John Rambo. Now, Rambo must confront his past and unearth his ruthless combat skills to exact revenge in a final mission. A deadly journey of vengeance, Rambo: Last Blood marks the last chapter of the legendary series.

JUDY [PG-13]

Winter 1968 and showbiz legend Judy Garland arrives in Swinging London to perform a five-week sold-out run at The Talk of the Town. It is 30 years since she shot to global stardom in The Wizard of Oz, but if her voice has weakened, its dramatic intensity has only grown. As she prepares for the show, battles with management, charms musicians and reminisces with friends and adoring fans, her wit and warmth shine through. Even her dreams of love seem undimmed as she embarks on a whirlwind romance with Mickey Deans, her soon-to-be fifth husband. Featuring some of her best-known songs, the film celebrates the voice, the capacity for love, and the sheer pizzazz of "the world's greatest entertainer."

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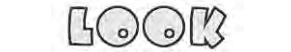
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8 Thwacked
15 Something imperative
20 Endorse
21 Many a quaint cabin
22 "The Gypsy" singer Shore
23 Tree anchors growing in a groundwork? [Asimov-Haley]
25 Split in two
26 Lyric poems
27 — chi
28 Dirtier, as a chimney
30 Headland
34 Awful review
36 Actress De Mornay after marrying "Star Trek" ensign
42 Defeat in cleverness
45 Lays (down)
46 Dear granny? [Morrison-Zola]
48 Indulges fully

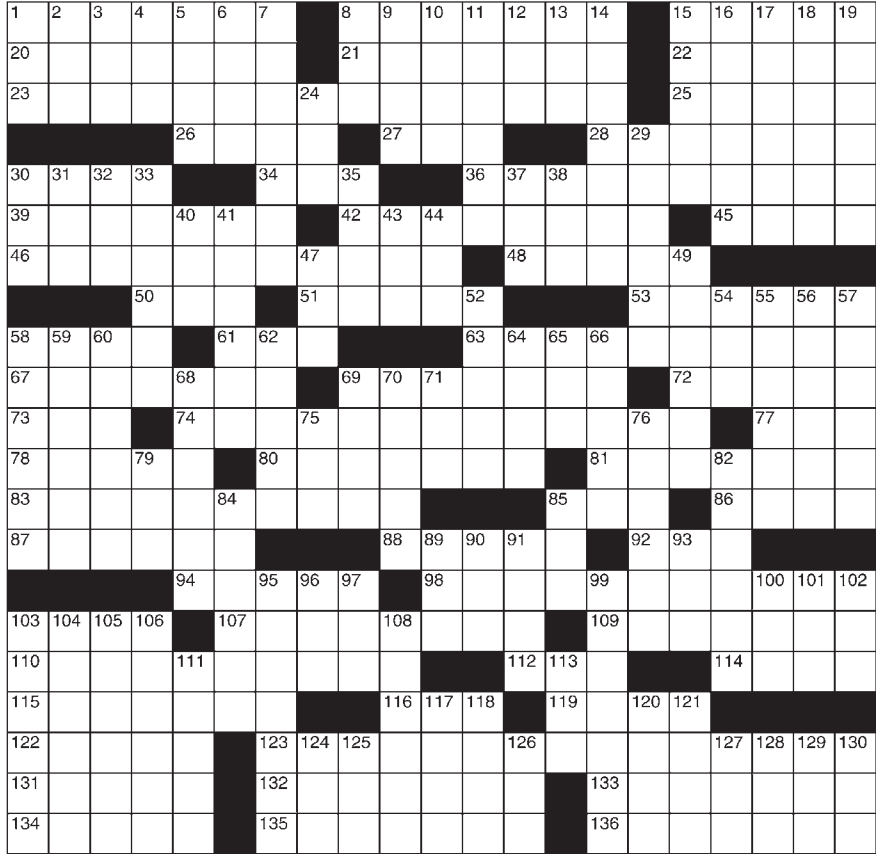
50 Belle of a ball
51 Butler's girl
53 Knight's tunic
58 Livy's "to be"
61 Geller of the paranormal
63 Small, thin part of a beach hill? [Herbert-Levin]
67 Government financial assistance
69 — News (Utah paper)
72 Elliptical
73 Laughter syllables
74 Scott Joplin's "The Entertainer," for the film "The Sting"? [Doctorow-Rand]
77 Long of film
78 Boise locale
80 Related compounds
81 Wielded, as power
83 Distress after a really deep sleep? [Cook-King]
85 Eminent lead-in
86 Gives help to
87 Neighbor of Norway

88 Biblical queendom
92 Woolen cap
94 Nash of the funny poems
98 President Grant is gabby? [Joyce-Benchley]
103 Blood type, informally
107 Physician who may cry "Statt!"
109 Hall of talk TV
110 Have a phobia of queasiness? [Hubbard-Sartre]
112 "I" finisher
114 Dog ID sites
115 Pistol, e.g.
116 Sarge, e.g.
119 Lacerations
122 Tough guy's claim
123 Abducted old Japanese chief? [Stevenson-Clavell]
131 Give rise to
132 Brainless
133 Treat as a hero
134 Finisher
135 Moves very quietly
136 Tallinn's land

DOWN
1 Clumsy type
2 Of yore
3 Mr. Capote, briefly
4 Singer Folds
5 Total change
6 Very little
7 Memo tablet
8 —mo
9 — Blanc (Alps peak)
10 Home to Taj Mahal
11 Groups in church robes
12 "Kitchy —!"
13 Lifesaving pro
14 Pie, e.g.
15 Not standing, as a committee
16 Sporty two-seaters
17 Not typical of
18 "Don't waste your breath!"
19 Heat units
24 "Life — cabaret!"
29 Eight-player bands
30 Kernel holder
31 Strikeout star
32 Good friend
33 Ale away at
35 Actor Beery
37 Printers' widths
38 Ewe's cry
40 "So — heard"

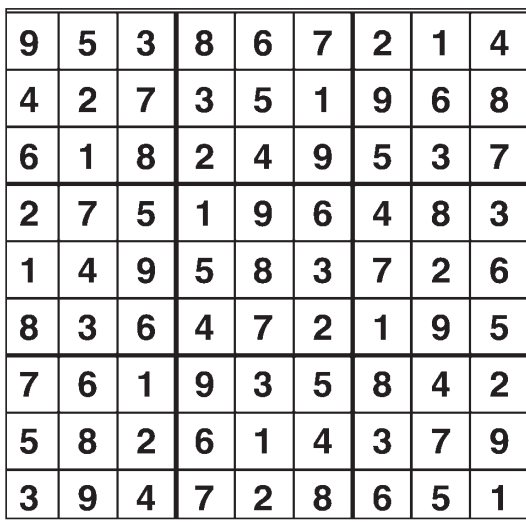
41 Space cloud
43 One, to Juanita
44 Road coater
47 "— do not!"
49 Dancer in Matthew
52 "Be — and help me"
54 ROY G. —
55 1972 Jack Lemmon film
56 Made tighter, as a knot
57 Horrors
58 Moral code
59 Eye makeup
60 Bagel variety
62 Former TV host Philbin
64 Some vases (retailer)
65 Mesh
66 Thin air
68 Start of a cry from Juliet
69 Gucci alternative
70 Awards for Tina Fey
71 Recognize
75 Philosopher Lao- —
76 Phillips — Academy
79 Harbored
82 Kind of plane engine
84 Engaged, as a car engine
85 Ballet step
89 Lean-to's kin

90 Roy Wood's rock gp.
91 51-year senator Robert
93 Equine beast
95 It includes a snare
96 Mag. team
97 — Valley, San Francisco
99 Lazed about
100 Comic Gasteyer
101 Faux hair
102 Maritime "Mayday!"
103 Business workplace
104 — Marcus (retailer)
105 Accessory for an iPod
106 Oily matter
108 Am unable to
111 Reformer Ralph
113 Native metal
117 "The Elder" of Rome
118 Andy Taylor's tyke
120 Greek letters
121 Quick drink
124 Africa's Amin
125 Quick swim
126 HP products
127 Artist Yoko
128 Gimlet liquor
129 Arm of Israel
130 Tch'r.'s org.



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last week's answers



Sudoku

		8	6					5
6	2				9		3	
5				1		6		
4					2			7
	1		8	7		5		
		7		3			8	
	3			9		7		
		9			5	8	2	
2			1					3

CryptoQuip

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Clue: T equals O

KPNA TUDPO Z IFA DCFD QFW

UTTW ZI FJDRFBBA VTTW,

IT Z VRPII Z CFKP BTID

PWZQZBZDA JNPWZQZBZDA.

Last week's CryptoQuip answer

Standing far enough away to avoid the pugilist's punches,
I've placed myself out of arm's way.

Correction: Aug. 29 CryptoQuip answer

My buddy asked me if I would go looking for things with him,
but I said "Seek for yourself!"

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