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**WHERE THE BUOYS ARE** — Brian Silva, Morale, Welfare and Recreation Maintenance staff, heats reflective tape for better adhesion around 35 mooring balls at the Naval Station Newport Marina in preparation for the upcoming boating season. The balls are used for the MWR fleet and for authorized military rentals. Ron Fontaine/U.S. Navy photo

## Rhode Warrior best in region

The robot Rhode Warrior V, built with Naval Undersea Warfare Center expertise, wins regional competition.

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## NLSO presides at mock trial

The Naval Legal Service Office adjudicates a mock court trial between R.I. middle school pupils.

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## Judo champion hunting for gold

Hospitalman here wins Chicago judo tournament, sets sights on the 2004 Summer Olympics in Athens.

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# NUWC-tuned robot sweeps N.E. Regional competition

By GARY STEIGERWALD  
NUWC Division Newport PAO

NEW HAVEN, Conn.— The “shark” went on a feeding frenzy!

The Middletown High School robot Rhode Warrior V, constructed in partnership with engineers from the Naval Undersea Warfare Center Division, Newport, won the 2002 New England Regional Championship of the FIRST robotics competition last weekend at Veterans Coliseum here.

It was the second trophy that Rhode Warrior V, which bears the image an attacking shark,

won in three weeks. It took home the prestigious Chairman's Award at the New York City Regionals at Columbia University on March 23. FIRST stands for For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology.

The United Technologies Corp (UTC) Regionals drew the largest field — 65 teams — including the most experienced with three regional champions.

“We knew this would be hard,” said NUWC engineer Gary Gabriel. “This is the cream of the crop. Virtually all the teams had high tech or strong financial support from

such sponsors as Fairchild Semiconductor, Gillette, Johnson & Johnson, LEGO, Teradyne, MIT, United Technologies, Hamilton Standard, and Otis Elevator.”

On April 5, Rhode Warrior as Team 121, won its first two matches, then lost two. The game involves scooping up volleyballs and depositing them in a cage.

But after that fourth match the team came together, Gabriel said. The student operators, Synthia Tonn, Joe Menassa and Rick Blight, and coach Rob Zeuge, “got in the



KYLE FENTON and Becky Kowalczyk, Middletown High School students, and Naval Undersea Warfare Center executive director Juergen Keil, left, and Capt. Patrick Bloomfield, Commander, NUWC Division Newport, hold The Chairman's Award trophy won at the New York City Regionals of the FIRST robotics competition in March.

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SECURITY IS JOB 1 — At left, Fire Controlman First Class Joseph Vaughn, left, monitors the screen of Naval Station Newport's new under vehicle inspection system at Gate 10 recently. In photo above, camera lenses and lights embedded in a steel threshold allow security personnel to see under the chassis of inbound trucks, top, as they pass through the fabric Vehicle Inspection Shelter.

Ron Fontaine/U.S. Navy photos

## Naval Station base cleanup to celebrate Earth Day 2002

By JOY CHRISTMAS  
NAVSTA Public Affairs Staff

Naval Station Newport, like thousands of communities across the country will observe Earth Day (April 22) with a variety of activities to clean up the environment and promote conservation and protection of our natural resources.

A base-wide cleanup, coordinated by the NAVSTA Environmental Department, will be held April 18, from 8 a.m. to noon. All hands from all activities are invited to participate.

The clean-up, one of several held at Navy Newport during the spring, summer and fall, will concentrate along the stretch of shoreline bordering the naval station from Burma Road to the Naval Ambulatory Care Center (NACC), Newport to remove debris accumulated over the of winter months.

Participants should assemble at Building 47 prior to the start of the

clean-up for a safety brief, supplies and team and area assignments.

Also the Environmental Department will team with the NAVSTA Housing Office to plant trees in the various military housing areas.



For more information, contact Deb Moore at 841-1790.

In activities in the community, the Newport Public Works Department will hold Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Drop-off Day tomorrow from 8 a.m.

to 2 p.m., in the Newport Grand Jai Alai parking lot. The annual event, being held in conjunction with Aquidneck Island's celebration of Earth Day, offers residents a venue to safely dispose of household hazardous waste.

The event is open to Newport, Middletown, Portsmouth and Jamestown residents only, including military personnel who live in these towns and cities. Proof of residency is required in the form of a driver's license and auto registration. Military residents must show their military ID card, along with a utility bill, lease or rental agreement displaying resident address.

Waste from commercial establishments will not be accepted.

Items acceptable for collection include oil-based paints, stains, thinners, strippers, solvents and varnishes. Latex paint and

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## Boys, Girls State draws 62 students

By BOB KREKORIAN  
NAVSTA Public Affairs Staff

Naval Station (NAVSTA) Newport will host the combined annual Little Rhody Boys and Girls State program, April 15-19. Sixty-two high school juniors, ages 16-18, from throughout Rhode Island are scheduled to attend the week-long program.

The Class of 2002 consists of 30 boys and 32 girls.

The Boys and Girls State Program, sponsored by the American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Rhode Island, is designed to provide training and education to high school juniors on

the ideals and objectives of American government. The participants will attend classes and seminars presented by civilian and military speakers. Topics covered include federal, state, and local government workings, and government services provided to individuals.

Military family members attending include Rogers High School juniors Heidi Kegley, daughter of Senior Enlisted Academy instructor Master Chief Avionics Technician David R. Kegley and Mrs. Lisa Kegley; and Daniel K. Gimple, son of Chief Fire Control Techn

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## OIS to graduate 51 in ceremonies

By JOY CHRISTMAS  
NAVSTA Public Affairs Staff

Graduation ceremonies for Officer Indoctrination School (OIS) Class 02030 will take place today in Capt. Howard N. Kay Hall, at Naval Station (NAVSTA) Newport. The ceremonies will begin with a traditional pass-in-review at 9 a.m.

Capt. Dennis Bengtson, Commanding Officer, Naval Justice School, will be the reviewing officer and guest speaker.

The ceremonies culminate six weeks of intense naval indoctrination for the 51 newly commissioned officers of the Medical Corps (MC), Medical Service Corps (MSC), Nurse Corps (NC), Judge Advocate General Corps (JAGC), Dental Corps (DC) and nuclear power instructor field (NI). The curriculum included military law, personnel administration, Navy policies, personal excellence and naval leadership.

Graduates of OIS Class 02030 and their follow-on assignments follow:

Ensign Jenny Grace Alderden, Naval Medical Center, San Diego, Calif.

Ensign David H. Allgood, Branch Medical Clinic Naval Air Engineering Command, Lakehurst, N.J.

Ensign Carolyn Aros, Naval Med-

ical Center, San Diego, Calif.

Lt. j.g. Florence Abaya Bacong, National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Md.

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Lt. Cmdr. Steven Michael Blackwell, Student Naval Aerospace Medicine Institute, Pensacola, Fla.

Ensign Helen M. Brady, Branch Medical Clinic, Naval Air Station, Willow Grove, Pa.

Ensign Jerry Brown III, 1st Force Service Support Group, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Lt. Cynthia Chinh, Naval Dental Center, South West, San Diego, Calif.

Ensign John Edwin Clady II, Naval Justice School, Newport, R.I.

Ensign Barry Alexander Cooper, Naval Medical Clinic, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii

Ensign Timothy V. Cruickshank, Naval Hospital, Great Lakes, Ill.

Ensign David P. Day, Branch Medical Clinic, Arlington Annex, Arlington, Va.

Ensign Diego Esguerra, Naval School of Health Sciences, Bethesda, Mass.

Lt. j.g. Toshihiro Fukumoto Estrada, Naval Dental Center Far East, Yokosuka, Japan

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## Newport Naval Cable TV Carrier battle group gets warm welcome

Navy and Marine Corps News airs daily at 8:30 a.m., noon and 5:30 p.m. on channel 11. Look for the following stories and more on this week's Navy/Marine Corps News show:

—Family and friends welcome home ships of the USS Theodore Roosevelt Battle Group to Norfolk, Va.

—A Marine Attack Squadron 311 is honored in Yuma County, Ariz.

—Military technology is displayed at the Navy League sponsored Sea, Air, and Space Expo in Washington, D.C.

### History of naval warfare

This week's featured video, *The History of Flight — The Wright Brothers*, will be aired at 9 a.m., and 1 and 6 p.m.

### Fleet, Family Support

Parents and teenagers may be interested in the Fleet and Family Support Center video series. These programs deal with a variety of topics which are of interest to children of all ages, and families.

The programs air daily on channel 11 at 10 a.m., 1 and 7 p.m. The weekly schedule is displayed below.

To obtain a video schedule or for more information, con-

tact the Naval Station Newport Public Affairs Office at 841-3538.

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**HIGH ACCOLADES — Officer Candidate Richard S. Ravendo, student at the Naval Science Institute, receives the Defense Meritorious Service Medal from Capt. Daniel J. Brennock, Commanding Officer, Naval Education and Training Center, last week. The prestigious award was for 'exceptionally meritorious service' as operations assistant, U.S. Defense Attache Office, Santiago, Chile, Defense Intelligence Agency, from January 1999 to last Feb. 20.**



Lt.j.g. Amy Pitts/U.S. Navy photo  
**CAREER MOVE — Officer Candidate Johnathan C. Walker, left, a student at the Naval Science Institute, is congratulated by his reenlistment officer, Lt. John Tunison, the Seaman-to-Admiral 21 officer, on March 28.**

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**Master chief pinned in ceremony**

Master Chief Hospital Corpsman Edward Elliott, assigned to the branch clinic at King Hall and the Naval Education and Training Center (NETC), was promoted to his current rank in ceremonies conducted at Naval Ambulatory Care Center Newport.



HM2 Michael Duff/U.S. Navy photo

**NEW MASTER CHIEF — Senior Chief Hospital Corpsman Edward E. Elliott, Naval Ambulatory Care Center Newport, has his collar devices pinned on by his wife, Margaret, and Master Chief John E. Parkhurst, Senior Enlisted Leader, NACC, as Elliott is promoted to master chief in ceremonies last week.**

Capt. Andrew Greedan, Deputy Commander, NACC Newport, presided over the ceremony.

Among the staff who attended the ceremony were Capt. Francis MacMahon, Naval Health Care New England; Capt. Margaret Wilson, Chief Staff Officer; Master Chief Operations Specialist Brian McCarty, Command Master Chief, Naval Health Care New England; Master Chief John Parkhurst, Senior Enlisted Leader, NACC Newport.

Parkhurst explained the Navy tradition of pinning a newly promoted chief with anchors worn by a more seasoned chief in the rank, who in this case was Master Chief Gunner's Mate Donald Bullard. He retired as Command Master Chief, Naval Health Care

New England, March 29.

Elliott was also pinned with anchors given to him by Bullard when Elliott was promoted to senior chief.

Elliott was pinned with new anchors by his wife, Margaret, and Parkhurst. The couple's two daughters, Jessica and Tara, were also present.



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**Special events**

**Get ShipShape free**

MIDDLETOWN — A 10-week long weight loss management seminar, sponsored by Naval Ambulatory Care Center Newport Health Promotion Department, will be offered at the Greene Lane Community Recreation Center beginning April 24 at 6 p.m.

The ShipShape! program has met with much success by incorporating healthy eating and ways to stay active into our daily life. This seminar is open to active duty, retirees and their families. DOD civilians may also attend. Call 841-6772.

**Healthy living seminars**

The Health Promotion Department from Naval Ambulatory Care Center Newport will offer Healthy Living Seminars in the McMacken Community Center at Fort Adams Housing in May.

The seminar topics will include: Wellness 101 on May 7, Healthy Eating on May 14 and Healthy Heart on May 21. You may attend one or all three seminars. The seminars will begin at 6 p.m. and will be 60 to 90 minutes long.

These seminars are free and open to active duty, retirees and their family. DOD civilians are also encouraged to attend. Call Health Promotion at 841-6777/8.

**Announcements**

**Marina parking restricted**

The Naval Station Newport Marina will open for the boating season on May 1. To ensure adequate parking, the north parking lot at Officers' Club will be reserved for Marina patrons. All other vehicles will be towed.

**Cruise the Caribbean!**

The Naval Undersea Warfare Center's morale, welfare and recreation division has invited all authorized patrons of the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department to cruise the southern Caribbean, Nov. 9-16, aboard the Carnival liner, Spirit. Ports of call include Key West, Fla., Belize and Mexico. Prices are as follows:

Inside Cabin: (Cat 4-A), \$989 pp/do  
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This fantastic group-rate trip price includes round-trip airfare from Providence, the seven night cruise in selected accommodations, all meals, on-board entertainment, government taxes and airport/ship transfers.

A \$250 prepaid deposit is required at the time of booking and is fully refundable until Aug. 17. To book your reservation or for further information, contact Doug Moorcroft, NUWC/MWR trip coordinator at 832-8108.

**NEX main store closes for day**

The Navy Exchange Main Store will be closed Sunday, April 14, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. so electrical contractors will replace the transformer under the ongoing renovation project, the store manager has announced.

The NEX Package Store, Greene Lane MiniMart and our Fort Adams MiniMart will remain open for normal Sunday operations.

**Chandler Street to close**

Chandler Street, from Simonpietri Drive to Defense Highway will be closed from April 15 to June 25 for road reconstruction and repaving.

Chandler Street is used by commuters and trucks through both Gate 10 and Gate 11 for access to Naval Station Newport.

A detour will be established, and traffic will be rerouted down Andersen Avenue from Simonpietri to Defense Highway. Narragansett Improvement will be performing reconstruction of the road.

For more information call 841-1570, ext. 125.

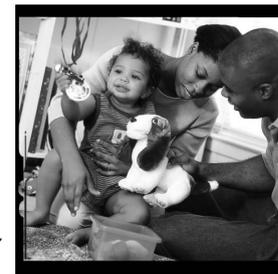
**NBC News to air special on carrier**

By JOE D. MICHAEL ROSS  
USS John C. Stennis PAO

Stennis last month, NBC News anchor Tom Brokaw and his production staff have put together a one-hour program based on the day-in-the-life of a warship involved in battle. The tentatively titled, USS

John C. Stennis: A Carrier at War, is scheduled to air on NBC April 17.

During the taping, 16 camera crews followed Sailors and Marines around to record what happens on the ship.



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**TOP SAILOR FOR CNET - Hull Technician First Class James E. Satterfield, attached to Naval Training Center Great Lakes, is congratulated by Vice Adm. Alfred Harms Jr., Chief of Naval Education and Training, upon the petty officer's selection as CNET 2001 Sailor of the Year at the annual Military Members of the Year Banquet on April 4 in Pensacola, Fla.**

## Hull technician named CNET Sailor of Year

By ENSIGN VIVIAN BALL  
CNET Public Affairs Staff

PENSACOLA, Fla. - Technician First Class (SW) James E. Satterfield has been named the Chief of Naval Education and Training's 2001 Sailor of the Year.

The announcement was made at the Military Members of the Year Banquet April 4, at Naval Air Station, Pensacola, following a speech by Vice Adm. Alfred Harms Jr., the chief of Naval Education and Training (CNET).

Satterfield is assigned to Naval Training Center (NTC), Great Lakes, Ill. He is a radiation officer and leading petty officer for the Hull Technician "C" Non-Destructive Testing Radiology course.

While there, he also earned recognition as a Master Training Specialist, was awarded two Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medals for his performance as Radiation Safety Officer and Course Supervisor, and was selected as NTC's Senior Sailor of the Quarter for the second quarter of 2001.

Satterfield was selected from among the Naval Education and Training Command's top seven Sailors. He represents more than 168 activities and

detachments and 16 medical and dental commands.

As the 2001 CNET Sailor of the Year, Satterfield will travel to Washington, D.C., to compete for the Navy Shore Sailor of the Year, which the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) will announce in May.

"I just hope the competition there isn't as hard as it has been here," said Satterfield as he accepted the prestigious title.

The Sailor of the Year Program recognizes the very best all-around Sailor from pay grades E-6 and below. Nominees are judged on their sustained superior performance, duty assignments, leadership, self-improvement, command or community involvement, and appearance.

The CNET nominees for Sailor of the Year have jumped several hurdles to reach this level of competition, according to Master Chief Petty Officer Gregory Pratt, CNET Force Master Chief.

"They represent the 'best of the best' of the Sailors in the CNET claimancy," he said.

During his speech, Harms spoke of the nominees as heroes, and contributed their success to sustained excel-

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## What's going on

### Concert Sunday

Broadway show vocals will be featured at the Navy Band Northeast's fifth Spring Recital Series on Sunday, April 14, at 3 p.m. in the Naval War College's Pringle Hall Auditorium. The concert will feature Chief Musician Heidi Willson.

Other concerts this spring include:

A classical trombone performance by Musician Second Class Jonathan Ward is scheduled for Sunday, April 28 at 3 p.m. at the Pringle Auditorium.

The final performance, the "Armed Forces Day Concert," will take place on Sunday, May 19, in the Spruance Auditorium at 3 p.m.

All Navy Band Northeast Spring recital concerts are free and open to the public. Guests should enter the naval complex through Gate One.

Members of the public who do not have a pass to gain entrance to the Naval Station can call 841-3538 to make reservations for the concerts.

vices:  
— Catholic mass, 9 a.m. and noon.  
— Protestant Services, 8 and 10:30 a.m..

• Sunday Bowling, \$7 per hour, Seaview Bowling Lanes, Building 656

**MONDAY, April 15**  
April 15 - Conservation Week begins through April 19, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Roger Williams Park Zoo, 1000 Elmwood Avenue, Providence.

• Fitness Walk and Tone, 8: to 9 a.m., Gym 109. New program designed for patrons age 50 and up. For more information, call the fitness staff at 841-3154.

• Intermediate Weight Training for Women," 9 to 10:30 a.m., Monday and Wednesday, Gym 109..

**TUESDAY, April 16**  
• Free movies at Officers' Club, 6 p.m., *Ali (Parts 1 & 2)* (R). Due to the length of this week's film, only one movie will be shown.

• Pawtucket Red Sox vs. Syracuse Sky Chiefs, 6:05 p.m., McCoy Stadium, One Ben Mondor Way, Pawtucket. Game also, April 17, 12:05 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, April 17**  
• Armed Services YMCA:  
— Parents Time Out, 9 a.m. to

noon - Bring your child(ren) ages 18 months and older to the "Y" while you run errands or enjoy some time for yourself. \$10 for the first child, then \$5 each additional child.

### THURSDAY, April 18

• Armed Services YMCA:  
— Fitness Hour, 9 to 10:30 a.m..  
— Knitting, 10 a.m. to noon. Learn to make beautiful hand-knitted items

### Upcoming:

April 16 to 18 — Naval Station Newport Earth Day/Arbor Day celebration.

April 20 — Red Pin Rock 'n Bowl, every other Saturday, 8 p.m., Seaview Lanes, Building 656.

April 27 — 30th annual Retired Military Personnel Seminar, 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Crown Plaza Hotel at the Inn at the Crossings, Warwick.

April 28 — Salute to Rhode Island Military Women, (reception, noon), Crown Plaza Hotel, Warwick, R.I. Dinner, 1:30 p.m. Guest speaker, Newport Native Rear Adm. Barbara McGann, Provost, Naval War College. \$40 per person payable to RIROA, Lt. Col Dennis Morgan, 432 Buchanan Street, Pawtucket, RI 02860.

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The Fleet and Family Support Center is conducting a workshop for individuals and couples who would like to learn some proven ways to improve communication in their personal relationships. Our five-session Relationship Enhancement workshop begins Tuesday, April 23, from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

Call 841-2283 to register.

**Stress Management 101** — Stress Management 101 is scheduled for Thursday, April 25, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at the Fleet and Family Support Center. If you sometimes have problems coping with day-to-day situations, or just need some relief from stress on the job or at home, then this workshop is for you. Learn how to assess your stress level, increase stress relief skills to avoid burnout, and learn how to regain control of stressful situations.

Call 841-2283 to register.  
**Homebuyers Workshop** — Come to the Fleet and Family Support Center on Thursday, April 25, from 7 to 9 p.m., and meet with a representative from the Naval Federal Credit Union to hear first-hand about

qualifications for mortgages and other financial options. Home-buying information for all areas of the United States is available at this workshop.

Registration is required and may be made by calling 841-2283.

**Retired Military Personnel Seminar** — The 30th annual Retired Military Personnel Seminar is scheduled for Saturday, April 27, at the Crown Plaza Hotel at the Inn at the Crossings in Warwick, R.I. The Crown Plaza is 3.5 miles from T. F. Green Airport. From I-95 North or South, take Exit 12A, bear right, and the driveway is on the right.

The seminar will run from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and is open to all area military retirees and their dependents.

The speaking program begins at 9 a.m., and will feature guest speakers from several organizations including Defense Finance and Accounting Service; Veterans' Administration; Naval Ambulatory Care Center; Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs; and the Secretary of the Navy Committee on Retired Person-

nel.

In addition to the guest speakers, many organizations will have information booths

in the foyer.

The Naval Station Newport coordinator is Mary K. Silvia, Director of the Fleet and Fam-

ily Support Center. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact her at (401) 841-2283.



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**PERFORMANCE** judges Lt. j.g. Sean Cogley and Lt. Cmdr. Becky Conrad listen to the evidence presented at the Rhode Island Legal Education Mock Trial Tournament for middle school pupils last week at the Naval Legal Service Office courtroom.



**PROSECUTION** team from Gaudet Middle School confer. From left are Emily McGinnis, Alex Walling and Brenna Kehew.



Ron Fontaine/  
U.S. Navy photos

## Verdict is in: manslaughter

**NLSO courtroom opens to school mock trial**

By **RICHARD ALEXANDER**  
Navallog editor

A woman who allowed drinking at her house during her teen-age daughter's birthday party, which led to a fatal one-car accident involving one of the guests, was convicted of second degree manslaughter last week.

But what appears like the legal conclusion of tragic events, was only make believe.

It was the courtroom scenario played out Friday as part of the statewide 2002 Rhode Island Mock Trial Tournament produced by the R.I. Legal/Educational Partnership in Providence. It was held at the Naval Legal Service Office (NLSO), North Central Branch Office courtroom.

The prosecution and defense teams, plus all the witnesses, were represented by

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**EMILY MCGINNIS**, right, attorney for the prosecution, approaches the bench with evidence to be submitted to the court. Lt. Jonathan Odom, a Naval Justice School instructor, plays the presiding judge.



**ALEXANDRA WALLING**, right, cross-examines witness Ken Hawes, who portrays a friend of the victim. Listening, from left, are Kerrie Hervieux, mock trial coordinator for the R.I. Legal/Educational Partnership; judge Lt. Odom; and performance judges Lt. j.g. Cogley and Lt. Cmdr. Conrad.

## Verdict

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students from Wilbur and McMahon Middle Schools in Little Compton and Gaudet Middle School in Middletown.

Navy Newport's legal community provided the judges. They were Lt. Jonathan G. Odom, JAGC, a Naval Justice School instructor and the presiding judge; and Lt. Cmdr. Becky Conrad, NLSO legal assistant, and Lt. j.g. Sean W. Cogley, NLSO legal assistant and defense attorney, the performance judges.

The prosecution team, composed of three girls from Gaudet Middle School, argued that the woman was criminally negligent. According to testimony Samantha Sherwood,

a single parent, helped her daughter buy soda and chips for the party in the basement of their house. Sherwood also bought a case of beer for her own consumption, and placed it in a refrigerator in the same room.

It was that alcohol, the prosecution maintained, that the victim, Kelly Cousins, consumed during the night of the party which led to her fatal accident. Her blood alcohol level was .09 percent.

The defense team argued that the victim was severely depressed and suicidal because her parents were getting a divorce and her boyfriend had dumped her. Cousins was taking the anti-depressant drug Lithium the night accident, and she was delusional, the defense maintained.

Both sides examined and cross-examined five witnesses besides the defendant. They were all middle school students.

Lt. Odom said the performance judges didn't decide the case on the facts, but on the performance of the student attorneys and how well they used the sworn statements of each witness, the coroner's report, and the police report. They then

adjourned from the courtroom to deliberate.

The McMahon team lost points because it failed to raise objections during tough cross examination, Odom said.

"The defense focused more on reading from their notes, than the prosecution team."

**LITTLECOMPTON** teacher/coach, Thomas Fennessey Jr. said, "I think the most important thing at this junior level is for the kids to see the case in its entirety, and to understand the individual witnesses and what they contribute."

"Listening and just paying attention is the key experience."

Barbara Barrow, teacher/coach for the Gaudet team, agreed with the judge that notes were used too frequently when unnecessary.

"Speaking is more natural without the notes and the students actually listen to the witness," she said. "Then they are better able to formulate the next question."

Lt. Odom, a former coach for the Middletown High School team, said it was his first time on the bench for a school mock trial.

"They all did pretty good, considering they're only sixth and seventh graders."



**SAM GRIMES**, of Wilbur and McMahon Middle School and a member of the defense counsel, leaves the NLSO courtroom while the judges deliberate.



**DEFENSE TEAM** from Little Compton confers on strategy. From left are Zach Fournier, Silas Campbell and Sam Grimes.

## Naval Station Newport Clubs

### BINGO is now even better

Lunchtime BINGO at the Recreation Center, Building 656 is the place to be every Thursday and Friday. Cover all the numbers on your BINGO card within the designated amount of numbers called and you will win \$500!

If no one wins, play continues until a good BINGO is called, winning that lucky person \$100!

For more information or to order take out, call the Recreation Center at 841-2575.

### Officers' Club

Kick off the weekend tonight from 5 to 7 with complimentary hors d'oeuvres in the Topside Pub. This buffet is kept well stocked with a variety of your buffet favorites and a huge selection of beverages.

For more information, call 846-7987.

**Ronnie Rose, one of Rhode Island's finest entertainers,** is coming to the MWR Officers' Club for an extra special evening of fine dining, music and dancing on Friday, April 19.

Our chefs have pulled out all the stops for this "Swing into Spring" dinner show with a menu that is sure to please! The gourmet feast features wild mushroom soup, fresh spinach salad with honey Dijon dressing and mouth watering buffet selections such as veal Newport, chicken Francias, grilled tenderloin au poivre, lamb with Frangelico sauce and baked halibut with whole tomato and leeks in beurre blanc.

Eat as much as you want because you won't be able to sit still once Ronnie Rose hits the stage at 7 p.m.!

Cocktails (cash bar) and hors d'oeuvres will be available at 6 p.m. and dinner begins at 6:45. Tickets, including gratuity, are \$24.10 per person and may be purchased at the O'Club Gift Shop or by phone using Visa/MC. To purchase tickets to this or other dinner shows, or for more information, please call 846-7987.

The Officers' Club will serve a prime rib feast, featuring succulent, hand-carved choice beef on Saturday, April 27 from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Tickets are on sale now for this Meat-lovers

feast. Choose your preferred size rib — Cattleman Cut, Queen Cut, or English Cut — and it will be carved to order for you.

This beefy meal also includes grilled honey-lemon chicken, broiled swordfish kabobs over rice pilaf, garlic mashed and twice-baked potatoes, fresh roasted vegetables, and much, much more. Starters include an assortment of warm breads, soup du jour, and a jumbo salad bar. Tickets cost is just \$21.80 for adults, \$5.15 for children 4 to 12, and children 3 and under are free.

The Officers' Club is pleased to present the New Barleycorn Band in a dinner show sure to please all your senses, on Friday, May 3!

First, dine on delicious cuisine, including fresh broiled scrod, chicken Marsala, carved to order London Broil with béarnaise sauce, long grain and wild rice, red bliss garlic mashed potatoes and fresh roasted vegetables. Then, spend the rest of the evening enjoying Irish music, song and laughter with the New Barleycorn's unique live show. This is truly a special event!

Cocktails (cash bar) and hors d'oeuvres will be available at 6 p.m. and dinner begins at 6:45 p.m.

Entertainment will be from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Adult ticket for dinner, show, and gratuity, is \$25 per person; adult ticket for show only is \$10; child ticket for dinner, show, and gratuity, is \$12.50; child ticket for show only is \$5.

All tickets may be purchased at the O'Club Gift Shop or by phone using Visa/MC. To purchase tickets to this or other dinner shows, or for more information, please call 846-7987.

You know Mom deserves the best, so purchase tickets today to the best Mother's Day buffet around on Sunday, May 12! Treat mom to our traditional, all-you-can-eat buffet featuring over a dozen main dish selections, a huge salad and appetizer bar, delicious homemade specialty breads, a decadent dessert and pastry bar, and much more.

Seatings are available from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and must be specified when you purchase your tickets. Tickets cost



Sunday  
May 12

**THE OFFICER'S CLUB Mother's Day buffet will be served Sunday, May 12. Treat mom to a traditional, all-you-can-eat buffet featuring over a dozen main dish selections, a huge salad and appetizer bar, delicious homemade specialty breads, dessert, and much more. Call 846-7987 for more information.**

\$26.95 for adults, \$11.95 for children 4 to 12, and free for children 3 and under.

(PLEASE NOTE — Gratuity is included in ticket prices and brunch cards are not valid on this day.)

Call 846-7987 for more information or to purchase tickets today!

The Topside Pub offers great, low-cost specials every night of the week! Don't miss a terrific double meal deal every Monday and Tuesday night from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Pasta Nights feature all-you-can-eat french cooked pasta, salad and warm garlic bread.

Get over the mid-week blues on Wednesdays with free sliced beef from 5 to 7 p.m. Buy a beverage of your choice and receive a "free food token" good for two free sliced beef sandwiches.

Every Thursday night, from 5 to 7 p.m., join your friends at the Topside Pub for lobsters for happy hour.

You can get one-plus pound boiled lobsters, giant baked potatoes, hot and spicy wings and fresh garden salads for super prices you won't find anywhere else! It is meal fit for

a king or queen at a great price!

The pub opens at 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. For more information, call 849-3693.

### Recreation Center

The Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department's Computer Café, located in the Recreation Center, Building 656, is now open at 6:30 a.m., giving you even more opportunity to stay connected!

You can send and receive e-mail, surf the web, play games, watch television and enjoy a snack or meal from the Recreation Center kitchen.

The computer center is open seven days a week and computer use is still free, so it's never been so easy or affordable to keep in contact with friends and family!

Call 841-2194 for current hours of operation or more information.

**Eat, Drink and Play:** The Computer Café at the Recreation Center opens at 6:30 a.m., Monday through Friday, and offers a delicious breakfast menu featuring sandwiches, bagels, croissants and even pancakes—all available for take-out!

Have a little more time? Come on in, sit down for a cup of coffee and eat, drink and play—it's a great way to start your day!

For more information or to place an order, call 841-2575.

### Enlisted Lounges

The original reality based show **Survivor** is back at the beach, this time from "paradise" on the island of Marquesas, a distant neighbor of Tahiti in the South Pacific. Watch at the Recreation Center, every Thursday night starting at 8 and see who survives.

Cast your ballot on who will be the next one "Pitched out of Paradise," by 8:45 p.m. and you could win!

At the conclusion of the show the bartender or manager on duty will begin pulling the ballots.

The first correct answer will win! The winner at the Recreation Center will receive a gift certificate for a fish 'n chips dinner. You must be present to win and there will be one winner for each episode. Contest will take place every Thursday through the final episode. Come on out and see if you can outwit, outplay and outguess your fellow viewers. Call 841-2575 or 841-3054 for more information.

**What about lunch?** Stop by the Recreation Center, Building 656, today and get a delicious lunch at a price that can't be beat!

The kitchen opens at 11 a.m. and serves sandwiches, burgers, soups and salads. We've got the best creamy white, New England-style clam chowder around.

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**Every Friday** — Enjoy complimentary unlimited use of the pool tables from 1 to 5 p.m. Head over early and enjoy a delicious lunch including a fish 'n chips special. The lunch menu also includes sandwiches, burgers and more.

**Visit the Enlisted Lounges** at the Recreation Center, Building 656, every night of the week for great money-saving specials! Order off our delicious pub menu, featuring burgers, salads, sandwiches and more every Monday. Come in on Tuesday and create the perfect taco using all your favorite ingredients. Or, wake up your Wednesday with "Wild Wings!" Order a basket, add some celery and blue cheese and you've got a mid-week meal!

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Are your windshield wipers leaving streaks on your window? Do your directional lights on both the front and back of your vehicle work properly? Maintenance on these items is often overlooked, but they are important to insure the safe operation of your car.

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It may be officially spring, but this is New England, so you will want to be sure that your car is still in top condition to handle the variety of weather Mother Nature throws our way. Remember, neglected car maintenance wastes money and could leave you stranded in the elements!

The Auto Skills Shop is open Tuesday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Call 841-3026 for more information.

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Did you know saltwater fishing in the State of Rhode Island does not require a license? Cost for fresh water fishing licenses for active duty personnel are the same as Rhode Island residents — just \$9.50 and they are available at local bait shops. MWR Gear Rental, Building 303, is pleased to offer fishing rods and reels to meet all your fishing needs. Call 841-2568 for more information.

### Rent bicycles and explore

Spring is the perfect time to rent a bicycle and ride around the island! Morale, Welfare and Recreation's Gear Rental, in Building 303, has bicycles for rent, complete with a helmet and lock for just \$11 per day for active duty or military retirees and just \$12.25 per day for DoD civilians.

For more information, call 841-2568.

## Ticket Connection

### The circus is coming!

Lions and tigers ... and clowns and more of "the greatest show on earth," are coming to the Dunkin' Donuts Center in Providence!

That's right, the Ringling Bros., Barnum and Bailey Circus is coming and the Ticket Connection, Building 656, has preferred seating for the 11 a.m. show on May 4, and the 1 p.m. performance on May 5. Tickets cost just \$16 for adults and children ages 3 and older. Tickets must be purchased by April 22 and we reserve the right to limit quantities.

This is a must see event, sure to delight all ages, so don't disappoint your family—buy your tickets today! For more information, call the Ticket Connection at 841-3116.

### Six Flags season passes

Take a walk on the wild side and experience the thrills, chills and hair-raising excitement of Six Flags New England, in Agawam, Mass.

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### Get ticket vouchers to Pawtucket Sox

You can catch terrific baseball action close to home in Pawtucket, R.I., at recently renovated McCoy Stadium!

The Ticket Connection, Building 656, has discount ticket vouchers for all regular season Pawtucket Red Sox home games. General admission seat vouchers cost \$4.25 each and box seat vouchers are just \$7 each. For best available seating, redeem all vouchers to this season's games on your first visit to the box office.

These vouchers make a terrific gift for the sports fan in your family—and at such affordable prices, there doesn't have to be a special occasion! Pick yours up today! For more information, call 841-3116.

### New England Revolution boots up soccer season

The New England Revolution will begin their seventh season of major league soccer in the new CMGI field in Foxboro, Mass.

Catch all of the action at a fraction of the cost by ordering your tickets through the Ticket Connection in Building 656.

Discounts range from \$2 to \$15 per ticket depending upon the game and seating category you choose.

## On base movies

**Officers' Club** — Tuesday, April 9, at 6 p.m. *Ali (Parts 1 & 2)* (R) Due to the length of this week's film, only one movie will be shown at the Officers' Club.

**Recreation Center** — Beginning tonight the following movies will be shown upon request, nightly starting at 5 p.m.: *Kate & Leopold* (PG13) and *The Royal Tenenbaums* (R). Other movies are available and may be shown upon request.



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## Sports



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**NO MATCH IN JUDO** — Hospitalman Adler Volmar, attached to the Naval Ambulatory Care Center, Newport, admires his first place trophy won at the Midwestern Judo Championships in Chicago in March.

## Judo champion setting sights on '04 Olympics

By KATE WHIDDEN  
Navallog contributor

Hospitalman Adler Volmar, attached to the Naval Ambulatory Care Center Newport, has done it again. Volmar took first place at the Midwestern Judo Championships in Chicago on March 9.

Volmar took the 198-pound black belt division by winning all four of his matches. All of his wins were by "ippon," the judo equivalent of a knockout. This is his second time as champion, having won the American-Canadian International Judo Challenge (AmCan) last May.

Volmar's last two victories were against Josh Peterson of San Jose State University, which has the top collegiate judo program in the country. Going into the tournament, third place finisher Aaron Delmar of California was tied with Volmar at sixth place in the national rankings.

This first place finish gives Adler sole possession of sixth place and moves him one step closer to his goal of representing the United States at the 2004 Summer Olympics in Athens.

"I believe if you have faith you can accomplish whatever you want...so I will go to the Olympics in 2004," Volmar said.

Volmar returned recently from Europe where he competed in two invitational "A" tournaments, one of the highest levels of competition. Although he was defeated by Russian Belarus Kuharenko, he was ahead in the match until he slipped and lost his footing

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—Hospitalman Volmar

on the mat.

After the tournaments ended, Volmar began a six-day training camp in Poland. The workout schedule consisted of two workouts a day lasting anywhere from two to three hours.

Volmar's personal training schedule begins at 4 a.m. when he wakes for a 13 to 14-hour workday. Directly from work he drives the 40 minutes to Providence to work out with long time coach Mike Nees at Mike's Dojo.

Twice a week, however, Volmar drives two hours to Lawrence, Mass., where he undergoes a two-hour training session with Jimmy Pedro.

Volmar, who was born in the U.S. but was raised in Haiti, represented Haiti at the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta. He also competed in two World Championships, in 1995 in Japan and 1997 in France.

This year, Volmar won a number of championships

including the Connecticut State Championship, the Northeastern Championship and the Foxborough, Mass., Invitational Championship.

Volmar is competing in the nationals in Cleveland, which began April 8. "This is an important competition for me, it is a whole different level," he said.

Judo is a martial art that combines a series of throws, chokes, pins, arm locks, and grappling techniques. Judo has been an Olympic sport since 1964. "Judo is a sport that is good for both males and females of any age. You learn strength, flexibility and confidence," he said.

## Recreation

### MWR boats up for auction

The MWR Department is offering the following boats for sale by sealed bid auction:

One Alcar 16 foot fisherman with 30hp Johnson outboard motor

One Alcar 16 foot fisherman with 40hp Johnson outboard motor

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Interested parties may obtain details of the bidding process, as well as a formal bid sheet at the Marina Office, Building 17 and the MWR Maintenance Shop, Building W-34.

Bids for these excess boats must be submitted to the MWR Recreation director, 1121 Meyerkord Ave., Newport, R.I. 02840.

All bids must be received by close of business on Monday, May 10, to be considered.

### School vacation bowling

Seaview Bowling Lanes, Building 656, invites you and your family to stop in during the school vacation, April 15 - 19 and enjoy an afternoon or evening of bowling. The bowling center will be open throughout the week beginning at 1 p.m., so don't sit around during school vacation week—get out and have some fun!

The bowling center is offering \$1.50 games (shoes included!) from 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Food and beverage service will be available from the Recreation Center kitchen, so come over, bowl, eat and have fun! For more information, call the Bowling Center at 841-4293.

### Red Pin Rock 'n Bowl returns!

Get ready to "Rock and Bowl" at Seaview Lanes, Building 656, every other Saturday night, for just \$7 per person - including shoe rentals!

Mark your calendar for the upcoming Rock 'n Bowl Saturdays on April 20 and May 4 because you won't want to miss the fun! Starting at 8 p.m. we will turn down the lights and turn up the tunes as we "Rock and Bowl" all night long! The DJ spins all the hottest rock and roll hits and bowlers can win great prizes if they bowl a strike when the head pin (first pin) is a red pin!

You don't have to pre-register—just bring your friends and have a great time rocking and bowling! For more information, call the Bowling Center at 841-4293 after 5 p.m.

### Spring Pool 307 swim schedule

The following recreational swimming schedule is currently in effect at Pool 307:

Active Duty Lap Swim for only active duty and reservists, free of charge, is Monday-Friday, 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Lap Swim for all authorized patrons (fees apply) is Monday to Friday, 12:15 to 1 p.m. and 3 to 8 p.m., Saturday, 7 to 9 a.m. (six lanes available) and 9 to 3 p.m. (three lanes available); and Sunday, noon - 3 p.m.

Open Swim for authorized patrons (fees apply) are Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 3 to 8 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 3 p.m.

Water Aerobics for authorized patrons are Tuesday and Thursday, 4:45 to 5:45 p.m. Classes cost \$3 to walk-in or purchase an 11-class pass for just \$25.

Pool 307 also offers swimming lessons, special family fun events on Friday evenings and Sunday afternoons and pool party rentals.

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Ensign Sylvaine Wendelin Wong, Naval Justice School, Newport, R.I.

## Earth Day

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asbestos will not be accepted. Others include glues, kerosene, gasoline, used motor oil, brake fluid, pesticides, insecticides, hobby and art supplies, swimming pool chemicals, dry cell, car, NiCad and hearing aid batteries, aerosol cans and propane tanks.

Gov. Lincoln Almond will be among the dignitaries to participate in collaborative Arbor Day celebration by the city of Newport and the state of Rhode Island at Fort Adams State Park on Friday, April 26, at 1 p.m. Eleven trees will be planted at the entrance of the park in memory of the lives lost as a result of the terrorists attacks last Sept. 11.

In other observances around the state, a weeklong Earth Day celebration, "Conservation Around the World," will be held at the Roger Williams Park Zoo, April 15 to 19. The program, held in collaboration with the Rhode

Island Earth Day Committee and the Department of Environmental Management, will run from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Kids can spend a fun-filled school vacation week learning about the zoo's year-round mission of conservation of habitat, wildlife and other important natural resources, as well as explore the conservation issues around the globe.

In addition different exhibits set up throughout the zoo, will let visitors learn about the culture, music, dance and art, of the various regions around the world. Daily animal presentations, ecological crafts and games for children are free with admission. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$4.50 for seniors and children ages 3-12, and free for children under 3.

The week-long celebration will culminate with nearly 50 environmental exhibitors on Saturday, April 20.

## Robot

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zone and then the magic started."

Through the preliminary rounds, the team quickly rose from 33rd to fourth place by Saturday. Rules call to form an alliance with two other robots for the final rounds.

MHS Picked Team 69 of Gillette and Quincy, Mass., High School and Team 103 of Palisades High School from Kintnersville, Pa. Its high tech sponsors included BAE, Amplifier Research and Lutron Electronics.

The new alliance swept the quarter and semifinals, and lost only one match in the finals against team 173 United Technologies and East Hartford/Rockville/Coventry, Conn., High Schools.

The final match score was 46-0.

"Even with battle damage Rhode Warrior worked flawlessly and with Team 69, controlled the field," Gabriel said.

Gabriel said the Middletown team will begin an aggressive fundraising drive to raise money for Rhode Warrior for national competition at Epcot Center in Florida on April 26-27.

Since 1996 NUWC and MHS have teamed up to build robots from standardized kits and entered regional and national competition.

Graduation ceremonies will be on Friday, April 19, at 7 p.m. in Capt. Howard N. Kay Hall at NAVSTA.

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## Navy-wide news

### DoD's war effort focuses on securing U.S. homeland

WASHINGTON (NNS) - "Everything the Department of Defense does is aimed at homeland security," said Peter E. Verga, DoD's special assistant for homeland security.

"What we're doing in Afghanistan and around the world to win the war on terrorism is specifically to provide security for the people of the United States," said Verga, who directs DoD's Homeland Security Task Force.

For example, he said, DoD sent about 1,600 guardsmen to help secure the borders with Canada and Mexico based on requests from the Treasury and Justice departments. The guardsmen augment the Border Patrol and Immigration and Naturalization Service personnel.

He said about 100,000 members of the reserve components are on active duty to help DoD meet its commitments to other agencies involved in homeland security.

### PRT due overhaul

MILLINGTON, Tenn. (NNS)

—In response to feedback from the fleet, the Navy is making major changes to the Physical Readiness Test (PRT) standards. Beginning in October, age groups will be in five-year increments instead of the current 10-year groups, and the overall score will be based on an average of individual event scores.

"The lowest score as your overall score was a big dissatisfier in the fleet, so we are going to average scoring," said Capt. Tim Cepak, Deputy Assistant Commander of the Navy Personnel Command for Personal Readiness and Community Support.

"We're going to maintain the same goal-oriented approach to scoring for individual events, but each of those goals will have a numerical value assigned to them. No one event is going to be weighed over the other."

The revised Physical Readiness Program instruction (OPNAVINST 6110.1G) is not finalized; however, the new PRT scoring table is available at <http://www.mwr.navy.mil/mwrprgms/missup.htm>.

The new instruction will also establish a probationary performance category. Sailors whose overall score falls into this category will be enrolled in their command's Fitness Enhancement Program (FEP). Under the current system, a score of Satisfactory/Marginal on any individual event is cause

for enrollment in FEP.

As opposed to the old system of cumulative point totals, the system of averaging scores will better reflect Sailors' level of fitness.

### E-8 quotas for fiscal '03 highest in eleven years

WASHINGTON (NNS)—The fleet will soon have as many as 1,700 new senior chief petty officers (SCPO) when the Fiscal Year 2003 SCPO selection board finishes its work of selecting the best of the best.

The overall E-8 advancement rate of 12.96 percent is the highest since FY92, and continues the trend of increasing advancement opportunity since FY98 when the advancement rate was only 4.95 percent.

"This is what we're all about — growing a more experienced force to meet the needs of today and tomorrow," said Chief of Naval Personnel Vice Adm. Norb Ryan Jr. "We've been able to increase our E-8

quota by 100 over last year, thanks to the authority Congress has allowed us to increase the number of senior chiefs we can have in our ranks."

Because the Navy has been authorized to increase the number of Sailors serving in the top two enlisted paygrades, quotas for SCPO have increased, despite the fact that the field of chiefs eligible for promotion to senior chief has increased over last year by more than 300.

The FY03 SCPO selection board convened April 2 in Millington, Tenn., and is authorized to select up to 1,700 new senior chiefs out of a field of 13,112 eligible chiefs.

Several ratings will see significant growth for FY03 with the increased quotas. The aviation ordnance-man (AO) rating has 51E-8 advancement quotas, up from the FY02 quota of 29.

Boatswain's mate (BM) senior chief opportunity has nearly doubled with 66 quotas.

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