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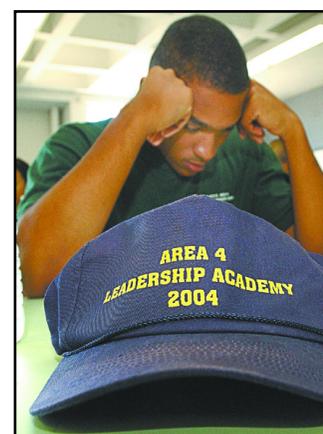
WATER BABY — Erin Dowden, 7, a camper in the Military Youth Activities Summer Camp, cools down during a day trip to Pool 307, Naval Station Newport. The camp offers a variety of activities for youngsters all summer long. The camp ends Aug. 27.



SWOS officers peek at DD(X)

Future surface warfare skippers get a sneak preview of the 21st century surface combatant, the DD(X).

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NJROTC trains here

Navy JROTC cadets are honed in leadership skills and sail training at the Area Four Leadership Academy. Graduation is today.

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REMEMBERING VICTORY IN PACIFIC— Frank Hale, 77, of Middletown, a World War II Army veteran, speaks at the United Veterans Council of Newport County's observance of Victory Day last Monday outside Newport City Hall. The anniversary, marking the end of hostilities with Japan in World War II, is only observed in Rhode Island. At right is Charles Wilson Jr., commander of Newport American Legion.

SWOS Department Heads get peek at DD(X) mission

By **MIKE E. GLOEKLER**
Northrop Grumman Ship Systems

A class of young lieutenants in the Department Head Class at the Surface Warfare Officers School Command got a sneak preview last spring of the next generation of Navy combatant, the DD9(X).

Northrop Grumman Ship Systems President Phil Dur recently unveiled for the first time the DD(X) mission effectiveness, which was featured in the May 2004 issue of *The Shipbuilder*.

These young officers were exposed to the futuristic and transformational capabilities of DD(X) – a ship that will enter the fleet when these lieutenants are ready for command at sea.

"I want to tell you about a ship," Dur said to the class, "that will leave the ways in 2007. Your generation will have the opportunity to command this ship, so I want to show you that what we have here is truly a transformational ship, and a revolution in naval warfare in the making."

The 45-minute video featured three operational scenarios that pit the ship against a wide variety of threats, including stationary and

mobile ballistic missile and surface-to-air missile sites, enemy aircraft, and both missile and gun ships.

"It's critical that we get the future commanding officers of DD(X) exposed to the capabilities of technology early so that when the ships begin to enter the Fleet, they are entering as a team," said Rear Adm. (sel.) Mark H. Buzby, Commanding Officer, SWOSCOL-COM.



ARTIST'S conception of the DD(X), the Navy's new 21st century surface combatant, is contracted to Northrop Grumman Ship Systems.

are testing the advanced gun system, the dual-band radar, the hull form, the total ships computational environment, the integrated deckhouse, and the integrated power system.

After the presentation, the officer asked questions about the ship's technologies and how they apply to force protection, quality of life, optimal manning, communications, and to the level of training that will be required for the Sailors manning the ship.

"All of the new systems will have an embedded training dimension allowing the operators, during down time or while standing watch, to train at the workstation," Dur said. "These tech-

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Summer concerts to end in fireworks

Fireworks return to Naval Station (NAVSTA) Newport on Sept. 3 as Navy Band Northeast stages a "Salute to Summer" Concert on the Lawn below the Naval War College.

Music and concession sales at Dewey Field will begin at 5 p.m. Rain date is Sept. 4.

Music will be by a variety of NBNE components, such as Rhode Island Sound, Island Breeze and Forecast. The main performance will be by the Concert Band in an all-out celebration, including a patriotic salute to America's veterans.

After 9 p.m., fireworks will be shot from barge offshore in Narragansett Bay.

The Commanding Officer, Naval Station Newport, invites all hands and the public to the event on Coasters' Harbor Island. Guests without military or Department of Defense identification cards should enter through Gate 1. They will be directed to designated parking areas.

Because of security measures, coolers and backpacks will not be allowed. Morale Welfare and Recreation Department (MWR) concession tents will be supplemented by vendors.

Special kids entertainment will be provided from 6 to 7 p.m. by Radio Disney AM 550.



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Mrs. Carole C. Hilton, widow of Lt. Lawrence Hilton, sings during a memorial service for her late husband at the Chapel of Hope Tuesday morning. Lt. Hilton, attached to Naval Station Newport Public Works, died unexpectedly on July 22. In foreground is their daughter, Laura, 4.

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MESSAGE FROM MCPON — The Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy Terry Scott, right, gives an overview of Navy mission and leadership for chief petty officer selectees at the Senior Enlisted Academy last week. The first class petty officers are completing taskings before their pinning ceremony Sept. 16.

Defense Department presses Armed Forces Voters Week

WASHINGTON (NNS) — The Department of Defense announced plans Aug. 5 for Armed Forces Voters Week, which begins Sept. 3. This event is being held to encourage all citizens voting under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, who have not registered to vote or requested an absentee ballot this year, to do so as soon as possible.

Commanders and voting assistance officers will use this event as an opportunity to inform these U.S. citizens about obtaining an absentee ballot for remaining state primaries and the Nov. 2 general election.

They will conduct final voting workshops and registration drives for all eligible personnel and their family members.

The voting assistance officers also will join together and enlist the help of other on base organizations, such as wives clubs, family services, Boy and Girl Scouts, and other groups to help get out the vote and coordinate voter outreach events.

During these events, commanders and voting assistance officers will emphasize the importance of registering to vote and requesting an absentee ballot. They will also use this opportunity to remind eligible personnel to return their voted ballots as soon as possible to allow sufficient transit time back to their local election official.

The support of commanders and voting assistance officers is critical to the success of the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP), which can be contacted through the DoD Voting Information Center (VIC). Citizens may reach the VIC toll-free from 66 countries using the toll-free numbers listed on the FVAP Web site at www.fvap.gov.

In the U.S., call toll-free at 1(800) 438-VOTE (8683), local (703) 588-1584 or use DSN 425-1584.

Additionally, the FVAP can be reached via e-mail at vote@fvap.ncr.gov.

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Monday — 5 a.m. and 12:30 and 5 p.m.

Tuesday — 9 a.m., and 2 and 9 p.m.

Wednesday — 10 a.m., and 2:30 and 10 p.m.

Thursday — 11 a.m., and 3 and 11 p.m.

Friday — 7 a.m., and 5 and 7 p.m.

Stories beginning today are: — A U. S. Sailor carries the Olympic torch through the streets of Greece.

— Navy leaders meet at the 2004 Naval Industry Research

Convention to discuss getting the newest and best technologies into the Fleet.

— Meet a Marine whose bulletproof vest saved him from a sniper's bullet in Iraq.

Health and Wellness Videos

The Naval Ambulatory Care Center and the Health Promotion Action Council offer Health education and wellness programs on channel 13, daily, following Navy and Marine Corps News.

During next week's featured segments, beginning Aug. 16, learn more about the *How-to-Guide for Coping with Heartburn* and the *No-Nonsense Cholesterol Guide - Good Fat/Bad Fat*.

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SEA graduates 112th class

Senior Enlisted Academy's Class 112 poses outside Tomich Hall, Naval Station Newport. SEA prepares senior enlisted members for future challenges in leadership and management.

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SEA graduates 61 in Class 112

By **CMDM L. G. SOLINAP**
Senior Enlisted Academy PAO

The Senior Enlisted Academy (SEA) graduated 61 senior enlisted servicemembers in its 112th class in ceremonies July 21 at the Hyatt Regency in Newport.

Rear Adm. Ronald A. Route, President, Naval War College, addressed the graduates and distinguished guests.

The academy prepares selected senior enlisted leaders in pay grades E-8 and E-9 for the future challenges in leadership and management responsibilities. Sixty-one senior enlisted leaders from the Navy, Air Force, Army, and the Coast Guard comprise the 112th graduating class.

Top award recipient:

Peter Tomich Distinguished Graduate Award: ITCS (AW/SW) Shellinda A. Miller.

This award is sponsored by the Non-Commissioned Officers Association and presented to the graduate who exemplified the whole person concept for leadership ability, contributing the most to the learning process, and epitomizing a chief petty officer.

Honor graduates :

OSCS (SW/AW) Livingston S. Tindal — Blue Group
YNCS (AW/SW) William E. Hoyt—Brown Group
HMCS (FMF) Michael F. Seese —Gold Group

YNCS (SW/AW) Robert W. Rose — Green Group
ITCS (AW/SW) Shellinda A. Miller — Khaki Group

This award is sponsored by The Navy League, Newport County Council and presented to the honor graduates who have demonstrated the highest military excellence as selected by their peers.

The members of Class 112 and their ultimate duty stations are:

MTCM(SS) Gary F. Aston, USS Maryland (SSBN 738) Gold crew, Kings Bay, Ga.

ABECS(AW) Marc J. Bill, Center For Naval Leadership Site Coronado, San Diego, Calif.

AZCS(AW) Edward A. Blackstone, Naval Air System Command, Patuxent River, Md.

CMDM(SW/SS) Darryl L. Brandt, USS Harper's Ferry (LSD 49), Kyushu Sasebo, Japan

CMDM(SW/AW) Kevin M. Brown, HSL 51, Honshu Atsugi, Japan

CMDM(AW/SW) Eduardo S. Castro, Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron 8 (HS 8), North Island, Calif.

HMCS(FMF/PJ) Sean A. Christopher, Naval Hospital Jacksonville, Fla.

CMDM (SW) James B. Colbert IV, USS Antietam (CG 54) San Diego.

CTTCS(AW/NAC) Clay A. Conner, Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron TWO, Rota, Spain

CMDM(SW/AW) Robert L. Corkish, Naval Station Pearl Harbor, Hawaii

AZCS(AW) Vicki L. Cowles, Helicopter Support Squadron Three (HC 3) San Diego

SKCS(SW/SCW) Norman Diggs, Supply Facility, New London Groton, Conn.

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The Fleet and Family Support Center is offering a workshop entitled, "Effective Resumes," on Wednesday, Aug. 18, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A resume is one of your most important tools when looking for a job. Learn how to prepare an effective resume that will get you an interview.

This workshop will cover what to include on your

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resume, which format to use, and other resume writing tips.

For more information or to register, call 841-2283.

Homebuyers' workshop—Purchasing a home is a complex task. There are many questions that need to be answered before you take that big step.



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HIP ACTION — Sharde Robinson, 14, daughter of Culinary Specialist First Class Ron Robinson, competes in the Hula Hoop contest with Radio Disney AM 550 at the Naval Station Newport command picnic Wednesday afternoon at Carr Point. More than 300 attended.

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sentative from the Navy Federal Credit Union to hear firsthand 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.

Lunch and Learn Movie Matinee—Bring your lunch to the Fleet and Family Support

Center on Friday, Aug. 27, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and watch Part IV of the four-part film, *Fighting for Your Marriage*. Registration is not required. Just bring your lunch and enjoy the show!

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Cool jazz in Newport

The 50th Newport Jazz Festival kicks off tomorrow through Aug. 15, from 11:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., daily at Fort Adams State Park. The internationally known music festival features a billet of rising and world renowned jazz artists.

Saturday's lineup features Dave Brubeck, Harry Connick Jr., Diane Reeves; Branford Marsalis, Roy Haynes, Chico Hamilton and more.

On stage Sunday is Wayne Shorter, Herbie Hancock, Dave Holland, Wynton Marsalis and Ornette Coleman.

General admission is \$65 in advance, \$70 this weekend. Purchase tickets at 770 Aquidneck Ave., Middletown. For more information, call 847-3700.

FRIDAY, Aug. 13

- Armed Services YMCA (846-9622)
 - Newport Officers Spouse Club Welcome Tea, 10 a.m. to noon.
 - Scrapbooking, 6 p.m. to midnight. Preserve your precious moments in more than a shoebox.

What's going on

- Fleet and Family Support Center (841-2283)
 - Lunch and Learn Movie Matinee, Fighting for Your Marriage, Part III, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

• The following movies are shown free upon request at the NAVSTA Newport Recreation Center beginning tonight: *Scooby Doo 2: Monster Unleashed* (PG-13) and *Calendar Girls* (PG-13).

SATURDAY, Aug. 14

• WaterFire Providence, 7:28 p.m., Waterplace Park, Providence. A series of 100 bonfires ablaze above surface of Providence River through downtown. Also, Aug. 28, 7:26 p.m.

• Rhode Island Annual Leapfest, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Peckham Farm, Kingston.

• 2004 Newport International Polo Series season continues though September, 5 p.m., Glen Farm, Portsmouth with the August Invitational.

SUNDAY, Aug. 15

- Chapel of Hope Sunday worship services:
 - Protestant service, 8 and 10:30 a.m.
 - Catholic mass, 9 a.m. and noon.

MONDAY, Aug. 16

- Armed Services YMCA (846-9622)
 - Parents' Time Out, 9 a.m. to noon. Let the "Y" care for your child(ren) while you take some time for yourself. \$12.50 for the first child, and \$7.50 for each additional

child.

TUESDAY, Aug. 17

- Armed Services YMCA (846-9622):

— Fitness Hour, 8:15 to 9:45 a.m. Childcare available for children over 10 months. \$4 for the first child, then \$1 each additional child.

— Scrapbooking, 9 a.m. to noon. \$5 per person to crop.

— Yellow Brick Road Quilt Camp begins through Aug. 20, 9:30 a.m. to noon. \$90, plus cost for pattern (\$8) and supplies.

- Fleet and Family Support Center (841-2283):

— Mutual Funds, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Learn about how to invest, regulations, types of funds and more.

- Soup kitchen, 8:30 a.m., Martin Luther King Center, Dr. Marcus

Wheatland Boulevard, Newport. WEDNESDAY, Aug. 18

- Armed Services YMCA (846-9622):

— Parents' Time Out, 9 a.m. to noon. Let the "Y" care for your child(ren) while you take some time for yourself. \$12.50 for the first child, and \$7.50 for each additional child.

- Fleet and Family Support Center (841-2283)

— Effective Resumes, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Entails format and what to include on a resume, cover letters and other useful tips.

- Soup kitchen, 8:30 a.m., Martin Luther King Center, Dr. Marcus Wheatland Boulevard, Newport; 5 p.m., Newport Congregational, Pelham Street, Newport. Military volunteers welcome.

THURSDAY, Aug. 19

- Armed Services YMCA (846-

9622):

— Fitness Hour, 8:15 to 9:45 a.m. Childcare available for children over 10 months. \$4 for the first child, then \$1 each additional child.

— Discovery Toys Learning Styles Workshop, 10 to 11 a.m.

— Adult Beginner Sewing No. 4, 6 to 9 p.m.

— Scrapppin U - Getting' Beachy With It, 7 p.m. Class will focus on diecuts, paper tearing design, fast layouts and tags. \$10 includes product and

• The Islander Foghorn Toastmasters Club meets, 12:15 to 1:15 p.m., Armed Services YMCA. A learn-by-doing and enjoyable way to overcome the apprehension of public speaking and improve oral communication skills. New members welcome. For information, call Mary Ann Grota, 841-4196.

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tea, will stop at the O' Club on their Follow the Sun Tour.

There will be a spin-to-win wheel with giveaways.

The Follow the Sun Tour spe-

cial features 12 oz. bottles of Twisted Tea in three flavors:

original, raspberry and half and half (lemonade and iced tea).

Musician Chris Vincent will perform a free show from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m.

For more information, call the Officers' Club at 841-4821.

Announcements

Basie Orchestra to play O' Club

Friends of Ballroom Dancing (FOBD), a non-profit organization in Newport County, will present the Grammy-award winning Count Basie Orchestra on Sunday, Aug. 22, at the Officers' Club.

Tickets are \$45 each and include a swing lesson at 5 p.m., buffet dinner at 6 p.m., and dancing from 7 to 10:30 p.m.

For more information, call Skip Jones at 847-2980.

Call Center appointments

Medical appointments for Naval Ambulatory Care Center (NACC) Newport are now being scheduled through the Naval Health Care New England Appointment Call Center. Open Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., the toll-free number is 1-888-NAVYMED (1-888-628-9633).

New contract for TRICARE

As of Aug. 31, Sierra Military Health Services will no longer be contracted for delivery of TRICARE benefits for Naval Health Care New England beneficiaries.

Health Net Federal Services (HNFS) will assume responsibility for TRICARE on Sept. 1.

Meetings

Retired Enlisted meet tomorrow

The next regular meeting of the Retired Enlisted Association Narragansett Bay Chapter, will be Saturday, Aug. 14, at 10 a.m. at the Middletown VFW Post on Underwood Lane.

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For more information, contact President Tom O'Connell at 322-1567.

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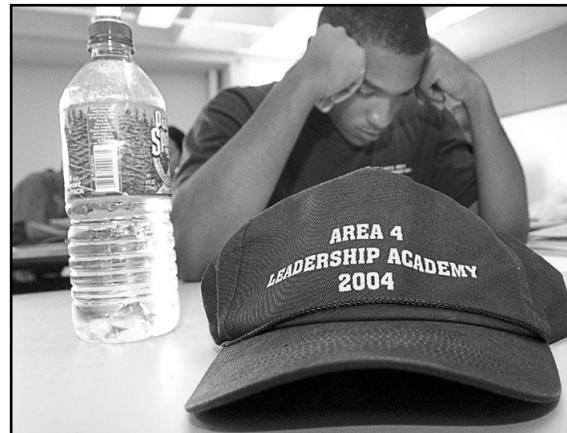
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First steps to leadership



NJROTC cadet Christopher Jefferson of Linden, N.J., takes a test in Perry Hall, Naval Station Newport.

Chief Boiler Technician (SW) Dan Podesta, left, supervises the patching of a water line break by Navy Junior ROTC cadets in the Buttercup Damage Control Trainer, Building 403. The experience is part of the Area Four Leadership and Sail Training Academy boot camp this month.



By **RICHARD ALEXANDER**
Navalog editor

While some of their peers spent the last two weeks lying by the pool or sitting on a sandy beach, 144 Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (NJROTC) cadets completed studies and training to graduate today from the Area Four Leadership and Sail Training Academy at Naval Station (NAVSTA) Newport.

Graduation ceremonies will be held this morning on Nimitz Field. Cmdr. Steve Burke, Executive Officer, NAVSTA, will be the guest speaker.

Retired Cmdr. Scott Ross Jr., Officer-in-Charge of the academy, was assisted by a staff of 30 NJROTC instructors from high

schools throughout the Northeast. They are retired Navy, Coast Guard and Marine Corps officers and senior enlisted personnel.

Classes are held in leadership, physical fitness (PT), on-the-water sailing, military bearing and drill, and naval history and navigation. The academy focuses on team-building, as well as leadership.

The students, ages 16 to 18, come from more than 52 high schools across the Northeast — as far west as Chicago and from Department of Defense schools in Spain and Italy.

They will return to their respective NJROTC units this fall, and assume positions of greater responsibility as executive and commanding officers.

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A FLEET OF Rhodes 19s stalls in light air as NJROTC cadets practice sail training north of the Newport Bridge.



Area Four graduates from last year, Keona Clark, far left, and Gary Moll, far right, escort a platoon of NJROTC cadets to the Naval Station Marina. Several veteran cadets return each year to assist in the leadership program.

Area Four

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Staff instructor, retired Marine 1st Sgt. Mike Philibert, said, "We hone their leadership skills and teach them to sail. Sailing is a great tool for team-building and leadership."

About 16 staff members are returning cadet veterans who help with mentoring, administration and office work, academics and sailing. There are also three volunteer chaperones, who are parents.

Philibert says Area Four administration looks throughout the year for students with potential leadership attributes, and then selects them for the program. They pay a \$160 fee.

"To qualify they also have to pass the same physical fitness test that the Navy requires,"

said Philibert, who teaches navigation and health and nutrition at his NJROTC unit in New Jersey.

He said the biggest thing the cadets have to learn is time-management. "But in the end they gain a sense of purpose, and how to dress."

The students also underwent water survival training in Pool 307, shipboard damage control training at the

Buttercup wet trainer, visited the USS Constitution in Boston, and a walked the Freedom Trail.

The highlight of the two weeks was sailing in Rhodes 19s at the NAVSTA Marina. The week ended with a regatta yesterday.

The sailing director, Lt. Cmdr. Mark Dwinells of Bethel High School in Connecticut, said the sailing program applies the tools of leadership."

"They must communicate clearly, must anticipate problems, think in three dimension, and motivate," he said.

When the 144 students arrived he asked how many had sailing experience. "Only three raised their hands," he said.



Retired Cmdr. Dennis Ringle, far right, of Monroe, Mich., supervises as two crews remove sails from Rhodes 19s at the Naval Station Newport Marina after an afternoon on the water.



Machinist's Mate First Class Samuel Higgins, left, on staff with the Buttercup Damage Control Trainer gives instructions to Gold Platoon before they go below and tackle flooding.

Ron Fontaine/ U.S. Navy photos

Retired Master Sgt. Tom Willard, left, Drill Master, shows NJROTC cadets how to pivot and change direction on command at Nimitz Field, Naval Station Newport. The four platoons in the Area Four Leadership Academy held drill competition this week.



Officers' Club
(Building 95, Phone 841-4821, 846-7987 or 849-3693)

Today: Lunch, 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., first deck, sit-down service.

Tonight: Kick-off the weekend at the Officers' Club, the

favorite breakfast meals with spectacular views of Newport Harbor.

Monday-Friday: Lunch, 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., on the Blue Deck (weather permitting), sit-down service. Dinner, 4 to one-hour before closing, Pub Menu is available at

Naval Station Newport Dining

place to be on Friday nights, from 4 to 6 p.m.

Enjoy complimentary tortilla chips and chunky salsa on the Blue Deck. In case of inclement weather, it moves to the Topside Pub.

Tonight from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. listen to Jimmy Buffett-style musician, Chris Vincent.

Saturday: Topside Pub opens at 4 p.m. Full pub menu available until one hour before closing.

Sunday: Come enjoy all-hands breakfast buffet on the Blue Deck or in case of inclement weather, inside at the Officers' Club. \$8.95 for adults and \$4.50 for children (4 to 10), gratuity and beverages not included. Served from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., enjoy your

is available at Topside Pub or on the Blue Deck weather permitting.

Thursday: Lunch, 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., first deck, sit-down service. Dinner, 5 to 7 p.m.

Topside Pub or on the Blue Deck (weather permitting): Lobsters for Happy Hour.

Upcoming Events

Enjoy free shows on the Blue Deck at the Officers' Club.

Friday, Aug. 20 from 5 to 9 p.m. local Reggae/Ska band, The Ravers.

Enlisted Lounges

(Recreation Center, Building 656, phone 841-3054)

Hours of operation: The Enlisted Club is open 4 p.m. to 11 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday. The CPO Lounge is open Wednesday and Thurs-

day, 4 to 9 p.m. and Friday, 4 to 11 p.m. Pub menu is available Wednesday through Saturday, 4 to 8 p.m. Lunch service is no longer available.

Tonight: Head over to the Recreation Center, Building 656, every Friday from 4 to 6 p.m., enjoy complimentary chunky salsa and tortilla chips

and listen to tunes on the jukebox. This is the perfect way to unwind after a long week, so mark your calendar, tell your friends and get ready to kick off the weekend at the Recreation Center. For more information, call 841-3054.

Saturday: Open 4 to 11 p.m. Pub menu available from 4 to 8

p.m. Wednesday is "Wild Wings" Night, 4 to 8 p.m. Basket of chicken wings (available three ways), fresh celery and blue cheese dipping sauce costs just \$2.50!

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Youth/special fitness activities

(Gym 109, 841-3154)

• **Youth fitness program:** Eligible youth wishing to utilize Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department fitness facilities (Gym 109 and FITNESS Plus) are required to take a mandatory resistance and aerobics training class prior to entering the facilities during the designated times.

This class is required for children, ages 10 to 15, and is also available for 16 and 17-year-olds that may also choose to participate in the fitness assessment program instead.

The Youth Fitness Class is available on an individual basis by pre-registering at Gym 109 or FITNESS Plus in Building 355. Parents are required to be in the building where the

course is being held during all class sessions.

Complete details on this program and youth fitness policies are available at Gym 109. Call 841-7196 for information or to pre-register.

Register today for Intramural Flag Football and have a super season of friendly competition and fun!

The league is open to active duty, retirees, reservists, dependents and DoD civilians age 18 and over. Games are played Monday through Friday at Carr Point at 5:30, 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. The flag football season runs from Sept. 13 through Nov. 12.

Teams may register at Gym 109, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. until Oct. 8. There is a \$15 fee for DoD civilians. There will be a coaches meeting on Sept. 8 at 4:30 p.m. at Gym 109.

All teams are required to pay a (refundable) \$100 forfeit fee and must have matching shirts with numbers by the first game. For more information,

call the Athletic Department at 841-7196.

Registrations for the Military Youth Activities fall soccer (ages 4 to 10) and flag football (ages 6 to 12) programs will be held through tomorrow, Aug. 14, with late registration on Aug. 16.

The season will run from Sept. 11 until Nov. 6 and games will be played on Saturday mornings. There is \$30 fee per child and registration is open to children of active duty and retired service members, all reservists and DoD civilians.

A Parents Information Night will be held the week of Aug. 23 at the Armed Services YMCA.

Register at Gym 109, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or call 841-7196 or 841-3293 for more information.



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THE CRUISE COUPLE —Charles and Sharon Morin, winners of a seven-night cruise to Bermuda on the Norwegian Majesty, pose in front of the ship. Their names were drawn in the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department's raffle at Navy Band Northeast's Summer Concert on the Lawn on July 3 at Dewey Field.

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Navy Shields skippers post best finishes of season

By BETH HOLLAND
Shields Class racing publicist

ON NARRAGANSETT BAY – The Navy boats had an outstanding night, with some of the best finishes yet for the season and for Bernie Patterson, during recent Wednesday Night Shields class racing series, Aug. 4.

The Shields Class fleet launched off the starting line in a “stiff” 2 knot northerly breeze. Gliding across what could more accurately be described as pure glass, most of the fleet drifted toward the right.

Four boats, dared to go left, only to find themselves at the bottom of the fleet by the weather mark.

Chuck Allen and Peter Denton (boat 226) pulled a horizon

job, by hooking into the only breeze line on the course. All of the boats on the right gained, and rounded the top mark in good breeze.

But rounding the weather mark suddenly placed the fleet

on a close reach back to the finish. Those boats who kept the jib up, instead of jibe-setting, made huge gains while going high. But unexpectedly, the breeze swung 180-degrees to the southwest, forcing

everyone to drop their spinners and beat to the finish.

Boat 226 held on for the gun.

For Navy, Patterson was followed by Col. Chuck Rushworth in boat 14. Cmdr. Shawn Lobree (boat 15) made

an aggressive debut, pushing the line at the gun — just barely being over-early.

He climbed back well for the third place finish among the Navy boats.

Sports

Intramural softball

The Naval Station Newport Intramural Softball League results from July 27 to Aug. 6 follow:

Boon Dock Saints def. Pier Pressure, 7-6

Boon Dock Saints def. Fire Fighters, 18-4

Golden Spikes def. Dirty Quahogs, 19-5

REDCOM Northeast def. SWOS, 16-4

Dirty Quahogs def. Pier Pressure, 8-6

Out of the Box def. REDCOM Northeast, 8-5

NACC First Commanders def. Fire Fighters, 7-0

Golden Spikes def. SWOS, 23-12

Dirty Quahogs def. NJS, 15-5

NJS def. Fire Fighters, 7-0

Out of the Box def. Boon Dock Saints, 24-12

Golden Spikes def. NACC First Commanders, 15-5

Boon Dock Saints def. SWOS, 15-7

Pier Pressure def. Fire Fighters, 7-0

Standings

Golden Spikes.....	14-1
RED COM NE.....	9-4
Dirty Quahogs.....	8-3
Boon Dock Saints.....	9-6
Out of the Box.....	7-4
NACC First Commanders.....	7-6
SWOS.....	6-5
NJS.....	6-8
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Mission

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nologies are real, available now. We'll have the land-based test site for the integrated power system (IPS) up and running by the end of 2005. The advanced gun system is here. The total ship's computational environment is up and running in Tewkesbury, Mass., at the mission center.

"The technology here is not 'pie in the sky'. The X-band radar is up and radiating. The S-band is under development. So the technologies will be available to train Sailors before the ship is in the water to make sure we develop well-trained crews for the first ships."

In tomorrow's increasingly joint and combined environment, DD(X) is expected to be a sophisticated sea-based littoral powerhouse, as essential to safe and discreet reconnaissance as it is to the projected force mission, he said. DD(X) will communicate seamlessly with other elements of the Fleet and the combined arms team to collect, analyze, and then exploit intelligence in real time.

The web of information in the modern littoral theater is the first line of defense for DD(X), which is designed to fight and survive within range of coastal defenses, coastal radar installations, and swift enemy gun and missile boats.

Dur said DD(X) is built with redundant systems throughout, including the network of fiber optics and damage control systems. In the event that the ship takes damage, the systems automatically reroute themselves.

"There is more than one path for everything you need, and these paths are physically separated," he said. "The systems have the capability to reconfigure themselves, in what is called 'fight-through power' and 'fight-through connectivity.'"

"One of the things you have in the total ship's computational environment built in to the automation of the ship is the ability to rapidly reconfigure. For example, the firefighting system

on this ship uses a high-velocity fog, as opposed to hose-men, reel-men, and messengers. We installed this system on an old Spruance Class and then we hit it with a missile.

"We watched the system work around broken pipes, and open, leaking water systems. It shut them down and routed the water until there was an intact circuit to put fog on the fire. This system exists now.

"Redundant systems, advanced composites, lethal offensive and defensive power, and unprecedented communications capabilities may be the definition of DD(X), but as important is the willingness of future commanders to accept the change, the technology and the operational impact of such a dramatically different platform," he said.

"It fosters a mindset that breeds familiarity with technology to enable me to make the transition easier," said Lt. Brandon T. Dye, a Department Head student.

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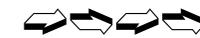
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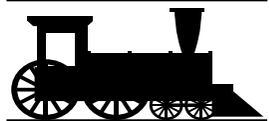
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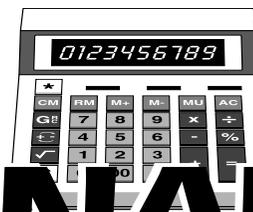
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Navy-wide news

CNO sees need for speedy R&D

WASHINGTON (NNS) — Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Adm. Vern Clark challenged Navy and defense industry leaders to help speed up the acquisition process and get new technology to the fleet and to the fight faster, during his Aug. 5 address to the Naval Industry Research and Development Partnership Conference.

"What I've come to believe is that speed will be more important in the battlespace in the future than it ever has been in the past," the CNO said. "When we think about future warfare, we must think, first and foremost, about speed. I also think that we've got to talk about speed in the marketplace."

"If you can't get to the fight fast, you're not going to be relevant," he said. "Speed of response? Yes. Speed of decision? To be sure."

Clark said the Navy's Sea Power 21 vision has matured since he outlined it at the same conference two years ago, but he added "there are always those who would like to see the ideas mature faster, and I'm among them."

Sea Power 21 is not an end state, the CNO noted, but a framework to create a post-Industrial Age Navy capable of delivering the right capabilities to the right place at the right time in response to Information Age threats.

"Sea Power 21 laid out an ideal, and the global war on terrorism, I believe, has identified the requirement," the CNO said.

To get these Sea Power 21 capabilities to the fleet more quickly, Clark said the Navy and its industrial partners need to capture innovations in science and technology, and move them into research and development more quickly. He called the Silver Fox Unmanned Aerial Vehicle and Littoral Combat Ship victories in the speed of acquisition.

Navy names new Surgeon General

WASHINGTON (NNS) — Rear Adm. Donald Arthur became the 35th Surgeon General of the Navy in a Change of Office ceremony hosted at the

Washington Navy Yard Aug. 4.

The Navy Surgeon General is the senior officer for the Navy's medical and dental communities, leading the naval hospitals and medical and dental clinics worldwide.

Arthur relieves Vice Adm. Michael L. Cowan, who retired after 33 years in the Navy. Cowan has served as the leader of Naval Medicine since 2001.

Guest speaker at the ceremony was Adm. Vern Clark, Chief of Naval Operations. Clark spoke about the advances made in military medicine to care for today's warfighters and their family members.

Navy prepared for hurricanes

WASHINGTON (NNS) — With Hurricane Alex, the first named storm of the hurricane season, threatening the Carolina coastline, the Navy is getting its first chance to use its hurricane contingency plans this year.

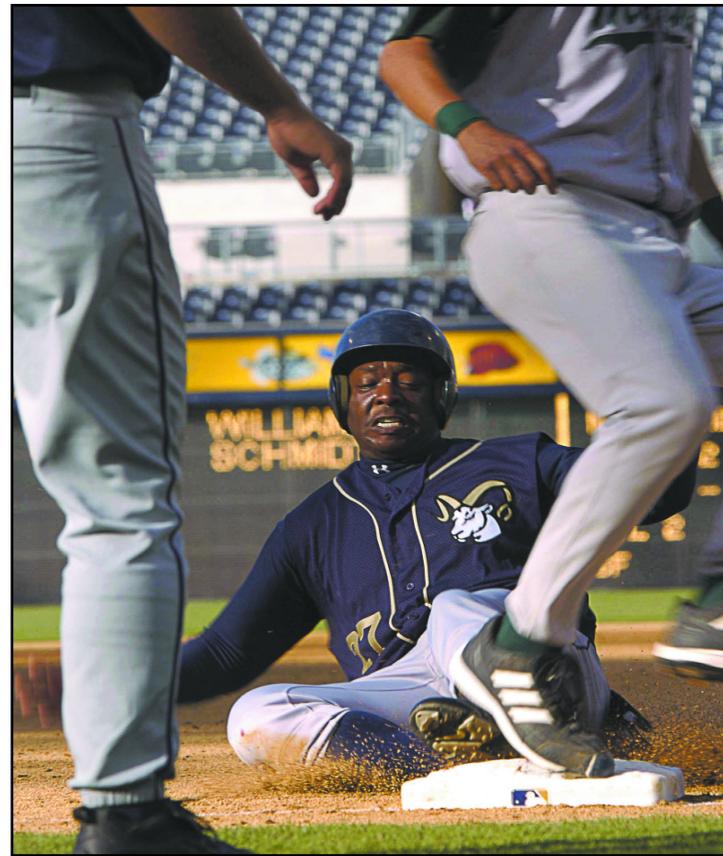
In a typical tropical storm or hurricane season, the advent of a potentially dangerous

storm triggers a series of decisions that could lead to the mass exodus of naval vessels throughout affected areas.

"Navy vessels can better weather a storm of hurricane magnitude when they are under way," said National Hurricane Center spokesperson Frank Lepore. "A greater potential for damage exists when a ship is moored, where high winds and storm surges could act to cause damage to both the ship and the pier."

Eliminating confusion is the fact that the Navy is well-practiced in getting all available ships under way during a National Hurricane Center-issued watch or warning. During the 2003 hurricane season, 45 of 70 ships and submarines were sent to sea from their Norfolk homeport as Hurricane Isabel approached the mid-Atlantic coast.

When moving ships during a storm threat, Navy officials pay particular attention to the storm's five-day forecast. But with the noted unpredictability of a hurricane's path, that could be a touch-and-go proposition.



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SAFE ARRIVAL — Petty Officer Third Class Jamek Long of Mayport, Fla., an outfielder on the Navy baseball team, slides into third base during the 15th annual Navy/Marine Corps All-Star baseball game at Petco Park in San Diego earlier this month.

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