



Lincoln Chief delivers closure after 44 years

By MC3 KAT CORONA
Penny Press Staff

The year was 1965. Lyndon B. Johnson was President, the Beatles released the movie and album "Help!," the mini skirt made its premier into pop culture, and in the Gia Lai Province of Vietnam's central highlands, a U.S. Army helicopter failed to return from a routine mission. Rescue aircraft spent months scouring the jungle, looking for traces of a crash site or the four Soldiers who had been on board.

The mountainside's dense jungle made recovery efforts impossible. The crew was never heard from again and was presumed dead. Their families were never able to gain closure.

Forty-four years later, a 15-person team from the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command (JPAC) (a military organization responsible for recovering the remains of U.S. troops who went missing in combat during any of the nation's past conflicts) departed Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii, for the crash site. Their mis-



Photo courtesy of AMC (AW/SW) Quang Dang

USS Abraham Lincoln's (CVN 72) Chief Aviation Structural Mechanic (AW/SW) Quang Dang stops for a breather during a Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command mission in Vietnam March 18.

sion: to find out what happened that fateful day and bring closure to the families who were still waiting for their Soldiers to come home.

USS Abraham Lincoln's (CVN 72) Chief Aviation Structural Mechanic (AW/SW) Quang Dang, of Tacoma, Wash., volunteered for the mission to Vietnam after reading a message sent by JPAC asking for volunteers.

Born and raised in Vietnam until age 21, Dang realized he would be the perfect choice for the mission since he could speak Vietnamese fluently.

"I asked my master chief if he thought it was a good idea for me to go, and he said yes," said Dang. "So I volunteered and was accepted."

Dang was flown to the JPAC headquarters in Hawaii where he was given an introductory course in the proper way to excavate a crash site.

"We had to be taught how to dig," Dang said. "If you don't dig the right way, you might miss something or damage anything you find."

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Abraham Lincoln promotes 205 Sailors

By MC3 KIRK PUTNAM
Penny Press Staff

Two hundred five Sailors from USS Abraham Lincoln (CVN 72) were frocked to the next highest paygrade at a ceremony May 29 in the Naval Base Kitsap Gym, including 10 Chief Petty Officers that moved up to the paygrade of Senior Chief Petty Officer.

The 205 Sailors were rewarded for their performance and their commitment to the Navy's core values in their

lives.

"Congratulations to each and every one of you. It was your hard work, your perseverance and your attention to detail that got you where you are today," said Commanding Officer of Lincoln, Capt. Patrick D. Hall.

Advancement exams are held twice a year throughout the Navy and those that earn exemplary evaluations and score well on an advancement test are given the opportunity to advance to the next highest pay grade during a mass

ceremony.

After the ceremony, two freshly frocked Senior Chief Petty Officers, Senior Chief Aircrew Survival Equipmentman (SW/AW) Christian Martin and Senior Chief Aviation Electrician's Mate (SW/AW) Greg Sterling, gave some advice to junior Sailors on how to succeed.

"It's all about taking lots of challenging jobs in and around the ship and showing genuine concern for fellow

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SPOTLIGHT SAILOR



**SN
Archie Bailey
Deck / 2nd-Div**

Hometown:
St. Joseph, Mo.

Quote:
“Everyday is a gift, that’s why they call it the present.”

Hobbies:
Dancing, hanging out with friends, snowboarding, video games, art, helping people

Photo and information gathered by MC3(SW/AW) Patrick Bonafede

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 - 1645 - Fred Meyer
 - 1700 - Wal-Mart
 - 1800 - AMC 8 Cinema
 - 1900 - NEX/Bowling Alley / Subway Bangor
 - 1930 - CVN 72
 - 1940 - Bremerton Ferry
 - 2015 - Fred Meyer
 - 2030 - Wal-Mart
 - 2100 - Kitsap Mall
 - 2115 - AMC 8 Cinema
 - 2130 - All Star Lanes
 - 2200 - NEX/Bowling Alley / Subway Bangor
 - 2230 - CVN 72
 - 2330 - AMC 8 Cinema
 - 2345 - All Star Lanes
 - 0000 - NEX/Bowling Alley / Subway Bangor
 - 0030 - Return to CVN 72

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After mastering the technique, Dang and his team boarded cargo planes to begin their journey to the crash site.

Once in Vietnam, the JPAC team realized their mission was not going to be an easy task. The mountain was so remote and so thickly covered in jungle, trucks couldn't be used to bring supplies to the team. The only way to get on or off the mountain would be by helicopter. A landing zone at the mountain's top was created by the team and a trail to the bottom was blazed.

Even with the helicopter, getting to the mountain was still a game of chance. Thick fog often rolled in, creating an impenetrable blanket. The helicopter couldn't land because of the diminished visibility.

Before work at the crash site could begin, the teams built two camps. One, at the base of the mountain, would house the 60 locals hired by the JPAC team to assist in the excavation. The other camp, closer to the actual crash site housed the team throughout the dig.

The teams battled the inhospitable jungle, which was plagued with poisonous snakes and spiders and teeming with leaches and mosquitoes. Even many of the trees were toxic, as they produced a sap that could burn skin on contact.

"It's such a harsh environment for anybody to be in," said Dang. "It's so isolated there; no one had ever been able to get there before. That's why we had to go and find those four Soldiers. We had to bring them home."

A grid was designed over the crash site in four-by-four, square-meter sections. Starting in the middle of the grid, digging would begin. Every shovelful of dirt would be poured into a bucket, the full bucket taken to a screening station and dumped onto the top of the screen. Then carefully, the dirt would be sifted through the screen, leaving the dirt on the bottom and any remains on the top. The remains

were then cleaned, labeled and cataloged. As each square in the grid was finished, the team would move outward until remains

their fallen comrades.

"These guys have been waiting, in a jungle they didn't belong in, for 44 years to come home," Dang said. "Their families have been waiting and wondering. The wound never really healed for them and to be able to find them, identify their remains and bring them home is beyond my feelings. I am happy and sad for the families. Happy that we are able to finally give them answers, but sad at the same time."

The remains were turned over to JPAC's identification laboratory for analyzing before being turned over to the family members.

"I cannot imagine the day when we actually hand over those dog tags to the family," said Dang. "I cannot imagine what that day will feel like."

According to Dang, JPAC's mission had Congressional level interest, but for him that wasn't the reason why he went.

"I was there for the guys who hadn't made it home," he said. "We should be able to bring them home. It isn't a mission you can hire out to just anyone. They deserve to be honored and brought home by the military."

Dang has been home for nearly two months and is still trying to readjust to life on board Lincoln.

"One month out there in the jungle is [physically] harder than a seven month deployment," he said. "I'm still sore from all the hiking and digging we did, but if they asked me to go again, I would go."

According to JPAC, there are over 88,000 American servicemembers listed as missing in action from previous wars, and more than 1,780 of them are from the Vietnam War. JPAC and volunteers like Dang will continue to search for those servicemembers until everyone has been found. For more information on JPAC visit their Web site at www.jpac.pacom.mil.



Photo courtesy of AMC (AW/SW) Quang Dang

Members of the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command team and local Vietnamese workers work together to remove a boulder from the excavation site.

were no longer found.

"It's a little like looking for a needle in the ocean," said Dang. "Every bit of dirt we dug had to be sifted."

In the end, the team dug and sifted 6,000 square meters of dirt in 37 days on the mountain. They recovered remains of all four Soldiers including: Army air assault badges, aviator badges, dog tags and teeth.

"The first day I found a tooth, I couldn't believe it," Dang said. "Then I ended up finding four or five that day."

The remains were placed within flag draped coffins and flown to Hickam. Team members wore their dress uniforms and performed the solemn ceremony to honor

News

SMART Web site hits exceed 10 million in 10 years

By SUSAN LAWSON
Special to the Penny Press

Nearly one million visitors have accessed the Sailor/Marine American Council on Education Registry Transcript (SMART) Web site more than 10 million times since the site's creation in 1999.

SMART records contain service members' military occupational experience and training, along with the corresponding academic credit recommendations

given by the American Council on Education (ACE).

"The great thing about the SMART Web site is its 24/7 accessibility," said Laurine Anderson, the Navy's SMART program manager. "Service members and retirees can view their occupational and academic records anytime, anywhere. Through the Web site, service members can generate and view as many degree plans as they choose. Navy training data is processed daily on the site to assure that the transcript is up to

date and training accessed through the Navy Knowledge Online (NKO) portal is processed weekly."

Additional SMART information and educational planning support is available through the 52 Navy college offices (NCOs) located worldwide. The Center for Personal and Professional Development (CPPD) manages all NCOs. CPPD provides Sailors, Marines and retirees access to meet with NCO counselors to

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Sailors. This was my second time up for advancement and I would say being engaged with work, focusing on the ship's mission in the maritime strategy played a big role in getting where I am. Keep challenging yourself and always do the right thing. It will always payoff," said Martin.

Sterling advised Sailors to aim high in their careers by setting immediate and long-term goals.

Sterling said, "You need to strive for the job of the person above you. You should be constantly driving to get the qualifications and aiming for your boss's job, whoever they may be."

Sterling added that Sailors must also maintain focus after getting promoted.

"If you get promoted you can't just coast through your work and expect to get picked up for advancement again on the next go around. If you quit trying you won't be the person who gets promoted first time around every time," said Sterling.

"I would tell Sailors to get involved. Be a well rounded Sailor. Commit to your community and be a major part of your command. Be involved with departmental or command collateral duties. Be out there. Be seen," said Hospital Corpsman 1st Class (SW) Dennis Capiendo, a native of San Diego, Ca.

Those that lived up to these words of wisdom were celebrated at the ceremony.

Sailors were individually called up



Photo by MCSA Robert Robbins

Frocked Sailors are first congratulated by their Department Head and Department Leading Chief Petty Officer during the ceremony.

to the stage to receive firm handshakes from their department head and their department leading chief petty officer.

Each Sailor was called by name and their new rank, as loud applause echoed from high in the bleachers of the gym. Family, friends, and shipmates were present to show their support during the frocking and to congratulate them after the ceremony.

Martin's wife and child attending the ceremony, along with Martin's mentor, Senior Chief Aviation Electronics Technician (SW/AW) Ronald Fronhieser (retired).

"Thank you for being here. Everyone knows we couldn't get where we are without you," said Hall to the family, friends, and shipmates of the Sailors being frocked.

"He is elated. I know that he is very excited," said Fronhieser, who came from Mukilteo, Wash., for the ceremony to show his support for Martin.

As Hall brought the ceremony to a close, and with the air of a commanding officer who takes great pride in his Sailors achievements, Hall called for another round of applause, with a smile he cheerfully said, "Now get back to work."

Around the Navy

Servicemembers key to America's success - Obama

By JIM GARAMONE

Special to the Penny Press

U.S. servicemembers are the key to America's success in the world, President Barack Obama said at the U.S. Naval Academy graduation in Annapolis, Md.

"It's not the strength of our arms or the power of our technology that gives the United States our military dominance; it's our people," Obama said. "It's our Sailors and Marines, soldiers and airmen and Coast Guardsmen who perform brilliantly in every mission we give them."

The president said service members serve as an example to Americans and others in the world and that their service fulfills the true meaning of citizenship.

"In an era when too few citizens answer the call to service, to community or country, these Americans chose to serve," he said. "And they did so in a time of war, knowing they might be called upon to make the ultimate sacrifice."

The newly commissioned officers in the Navy and Marine Corps do not chase outward markers of success, Obama said.

"These Americans have embraced the virtues that we need most right now: self-discipline over self-interest, work over comfort, character over celebrity," he said.

And it is a diverse force that lives the U.S. motto of "Out of Many, One," Obama said.

The class of 2009 is defined by the values of honor, courage and commitment, the president said. The young officers will need these values as they go into a force confronting many new and different challenges, he said.

"For history teaches us that the nations that grow comfortable with the old ways and complacent in the face of new threats, those nations do not long endure," he said. "In the 21st century, we do not have the luxury of deciding which challenges to prepare for and which to ignore. We must overcome the full spectrum of threats."

Servicemembers and the president swear an oath to protect and defend the Constitution.

"Yesterday I visited the National Archives and the hall that

holds our Constitution, Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights," Obama said. "I went there because as our nation debates how to deal with the security challenges that we face, we must remember this enduring truth: the values and ideals in those documents are not simply words written into aging parchment, they are the bedrock of our liberty and our security.

"We uphold our fundamental principles and values not just because we choose to, but because we swear to. Not because they feel good, but because they help keep us safe."

Straying from these basic values not only undermines the rule of law, but also alienates the country from its allies, and gives enemies aid, Obama said.

"So as Americans, we reject the false choice between our security and our ideals," he said. "We can and we must and we will protect both."

By swearing the oath, the new officers will defend American ideals and accept lives of sacrifice. "That is the oath you take, the life you choose, the promise you make to America," the president said.

But the commander in chief also made a promise.

"I will only send you into harm's way when it is absolutely necessary, and with the strategy, the well-defined goals, the equipment and the support you need to get the job done," he said. "This includes the job of bringing the Iraq war to a responsible end, and pursuing a new comprehensive strategy to disrupt, dismantle and defeat al-Qaida and its allies in Afghanistan and Pakistan."

The president also promised that all aspects of the federal government will participate in this conflict, "so that you and the rest of our military do not bear the burden of our security alone."

Obama told the class of 2009 that in months or years or decades from now, to remember their academy days and the motto on their rings: "Devotion to Honor, Strength from Courage."

"Live these values. Live these virtues. Emulate the deeds of those who have gone before you," he said. "Do this and you will not only distinguish yourselves as sailors and Marines. You will be in the lead as we write the next proud chapter in the story of the country we love."

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help align their degree plans with their SMART credits, college courses and test scores to determine the courses required to complete their degrees.

SMART records are comprised of a descriptive transcript, as well as a summary (showing credit by subject) and an academic institute page showing college courses taken. SMART provides rating roadmaps, which are

posted on the Navy College Web site, to assist Sailors with the amount of credit ACE recommends as they progress through the ranks. Electronic data for Navy personnel goes back to 1975 and for Marines to 1990. No prior service member is ever denied access to their transcripts.

The Sailor/Marine OnLine Academic Advisor (SMOLAA) is also available to Sailors and Marines through the SMART Web site. To date, 963,938

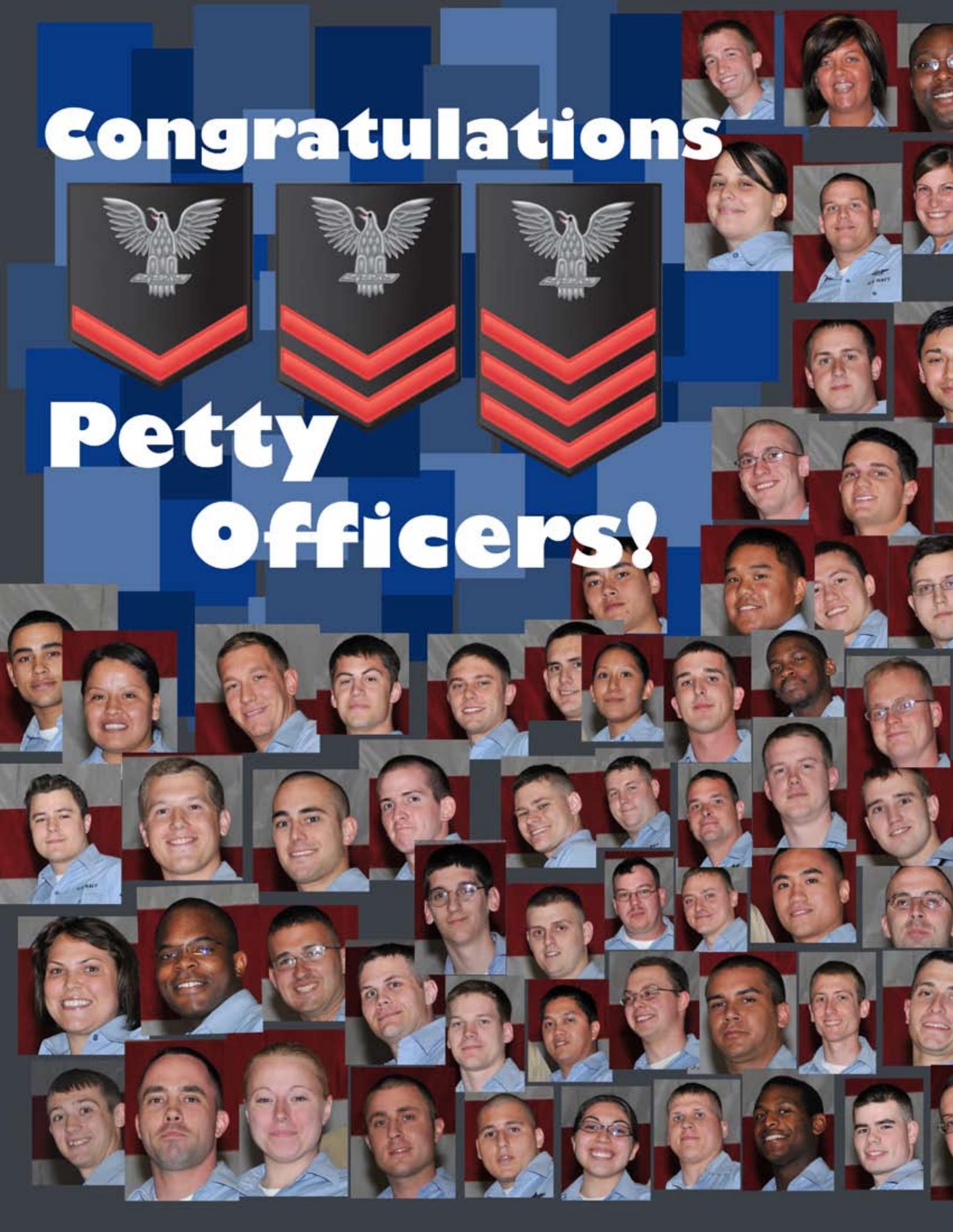
degree plans have been generated with SMOLAA support for 170,972 different individuals.

Through the Navy College Program Distance Learning Partnership (NCPDLP), there are currently 32 institutes who provide 257 degrees to Sailors. These institutes maximize the credit on the SMART transcript and provide methods of learning (such as online) that help Sailors achieve their degrees.

Congratulations



Petty Officers!





In the Theaters

Pixar carries 'Up' to the top of the charts

By MC3 JOSEPH SCARBERRY
Penny Press Staff

Probably one of the most touching movies I've seen Pixar and Walt Disney Pictures produce, *Up* is definitely a must-see this summer.

Having met his future wife at a young age, Carl Fredricksen makes plans and cross-hearted promises with his wife-to-be, Ellie, to move their clubhouse to their dream adventure location: Paradise Falls in South America.

Of course, not everything goes according to plan. The film actually becomes tragic very early on to show the happy-go-lucky couple marry, and time after time, struggle to save the money to visit their South American dream vacation, only to lose the money to emergency after emergency.

Things take a turn for the worse when Carl loses Ellie and is faced with spending the rest of his life in a retirement home, far away from the adventure he always promised

his wife.

Screenwriter Bob Peterson really needs to win some awards for this film. It takes heartbreaking tragedy and heartwarming comedy and weaves them together to produce an excellent film about a cranky old man, a plucky young boy, and a dastardly villain.

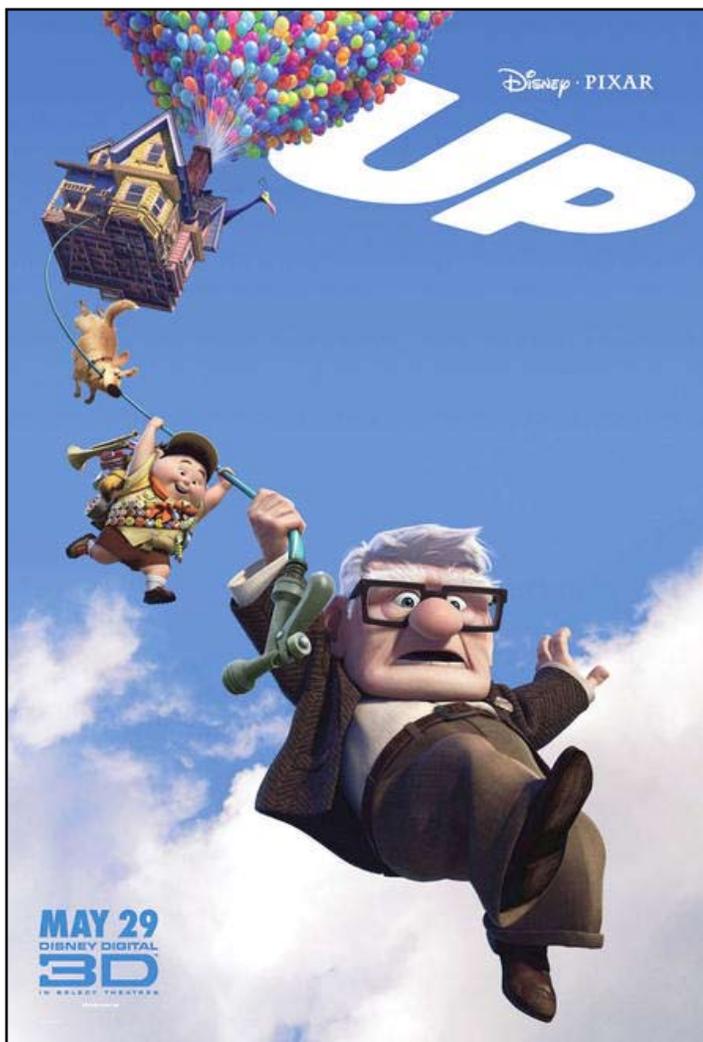
Voicing Carl is Ed Asner. Asner portrayed Carl perfectly. He's very tidy and dark on the outside, but tender when you break down his barriers. Supporting him is Jordan Nagai voicing Russell, a plucky young "Wilderness Explorer" seeking to earn his "Assist the Elderly" badge and Dug voiced by Bob Peterson, a dim-witted collie that just wants to please his masters.

Villain Charles Muntz, voiced by Christopher Plummer, also struck me pretty heavily. As a moral villain, he sought to redeem his honor with little regards to whom or what he hurts in his path. He also likes dogs...A lot.

One of my favorite parts was that it didn't have the same moral weight as other Pixar films like *WALL*E*. It had a clear message about "good guys and bad guys," but it didn't have the same pretentious feeling I got from *WALL*E*. I was able to sit down and enjoy the film without doing a great deal of thinking.

I think my least favorite part was that the film was really rushed in certain plot points. The film was 96 minutes long, and I understand that since it was a children's movie, it has to be kept to a minimum due to a child's attention span, but there were certain key points in the film that I don't believe were explained well enough due to time constraints, such as how the child Russell ended up on the porch after the house took off on its flight.

Overall, *Up* blew me away. It's an excellent movie for movie-goers of all ages. It's a little sappy, so bring a box of tissues with the popcorn. Get your tickets from MWR (\$5!) and catch a late showing if you aren't bringing your own children...the theaters will be a lot less crowded.



MWR offers great deals on movie tickets for AMC and Regal Theaters.

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Outdoors Activities

Get dive certified with Sound Divers

By MC3 BRANDON C. WILSON
Penny Press Staff

With summer only three weeks away, opportunities for Sailors to experience Washington's great outdoors are readily available.

Sound Divers is offering scuba-diving lessons to Sailors and their families at Naval Base Kitsap Bremerton and Bangor Submarine Base's Aquatic Centers. For \$200, participants ages 10 and up can qualify 60-foot partnered dives at any recreational scuba-diving location. The price of admission also includes all equipment required for diving, even the towel.

"It's a ton of fun," said Jim Snyder, senior dive instructor. "It gives the opportunity for people to explore great diving in the northwest that divers all over the world come to experience."

Classes begin the first Monday of every month, from 5:00p.m. to 8:00p.m. twice a week for three weeks. After completing the five classroom and poolside sessions, students will perform five open-water dives in the

Bremerton vicinity.

If students are unable to attend a class due to duty or other work-related issues, Sound Dive is willing to accommodate their students to allow schedules to meet. Though it is preferred to give them a week's notice prior to scheduling, they are able to flex class days or times.

If students are unable to pay the \$200 upfront, different payment options can also be made available as long the full price is paid by the day of certification.

"Since drinking and diving don't go together, this will encourage people to go to diving spots after work instead of hitting the bars," said Bill Aylward, Naval Base Kitsap's liberty program manager. "It gives them other positive, safe, and healthy options."

If you would like to learn more about taking the scuba certification course, go



to www.sounddive.com. To sign up, or to check out other local activities, email William.aylward@navy.mil or go to www.navylifepnw.

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When: June 8, 2009

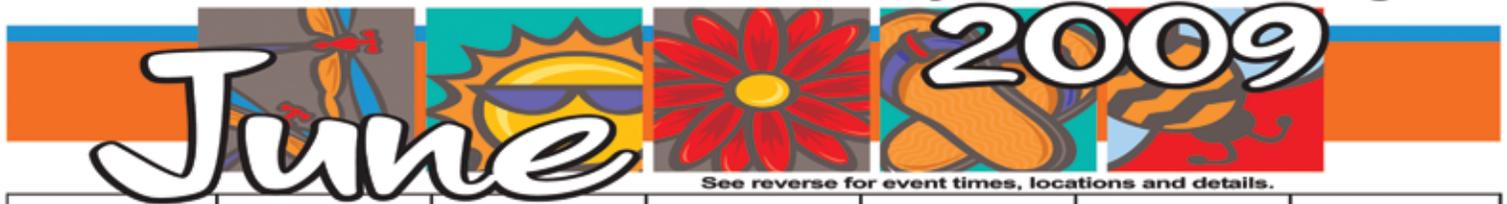
Time: 11:30 - 12:00

Where: Bangor, Brick Courtyard in front of the Uniform Shop

Guest Speaker: Admiral Symonds

Everyone is welcome! Active duty, DoD employees, contractors, etc!

Naval Station Everett Fleet & Family Readiness Program



See reverse for event times, locations and details.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
7 NORPAC Golf	8 Command Financial Specialist Training Triple Play Sports Tournament	9 Command Financial Specialist Training Triple Play Sports Tournament 4-H Fun! Operation Grill Down Barbecue Madden '09 Tourney	10 Command Financial Specialist Training Triple Play Sports Tournament Movie at Pierside Smooth Move	11 Command Financial Specialist Training Triple Play Sports Tournament Playing with School-agers	12 Command Financial Specialist Training Interview Skills Parenting Preschoolers	13 Mt. Bike Trip White-water Rafting Habitat for Humanity
14	15 Separatee TAP Dodge Ball Tournament Last day for Sounders vs. Chelsea tickets (ITT, July 18 game)	16 Separatee TAP Ombudsman Basic Training Dodge Ball Tournament Overseas Workshop 4-H Fun! Pool Tourney	17 Separatee TAP Ombudsman Basic Training Dodge Ball Tournament Stress & Anger Management American Gladiator Event Movie at Pierside	18 Separatee TAP Ombudsman Basic Training Dodge Ball Tournament Saving & Investing/Retirement Planning	19 Ombudsman Basic Training Job Search Strategies Class Free Family Swim	20 Mt. River Lodge Overnighter White-water Rafting - Wenatchee River Saturday Swim Lesson Session Begins (June 20-August 8) Sports Day Dinner Father's Day for Dad and Me

Naval Base Kitsap Fleet & Family Readiness Program



See reverse for event times, locations and details.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
7	8 How to Find the Job of Your Dreams: Career Exploration	9 Effective Communication	10 From Couch to 5K & Beyond Deployment Survival 101 Starting Your FRG Damage Control for Relationships/Fighting Fair: Avoiding Couples Karate Warrior's Workshop	11	12 Intro to Sea Kayaking Insurance Ice Cream Social	13 Intro to Sea Kayaking White-water Rafting - Wenatchee River Burke Gilman Trail Bike Ride Whale Watching/Friday Harbor Tour Summer Tie-Off Basketball Tournament Ombudsman Training
14	15 How to Find the Job of Your Dreams: Job Search Strategies Moving with EFM's	16 Ombudsman Training Time Management	17 Ombudsman Training From Couch to 5K & Beyond Miller Bay Evening Paddle Damage Control for Relationships/Match Mate - Intimacy 101	18 Ombudsman Training Mongolian BBQ Bahama Breeze Patio Party	19 Sid Sterling 24-HR Marathon Summer Solstice Party Banking & Checking Account Management Parent's Night Out	20 Sid Sterling 24-HR Marathon White-water Rafting - Wenatchee River End of School Year Pinnacel Pajama Party Bring on Summer Vacation BBQ & Membership Drive Mt. River Lodge Trip

Naval Base Kitsap, Bremerton

Recreation Center

June 2009

Please see reverse for more detailed information.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
7 Pop Culture Trivial Pursuit	8 Ping Pong Tournament 6 pm	9 Texas Tuesday: Texas Hold 'em Tournament 5 pm	10 Call of Duty: World at War Tournament 5 pm	11 Fantasy Baseball Draft 6 pm	12 Pool Tournament 9-Ball 6 pm	13 Mario Kart Tournament 5 pm
14 Bowling and a Movie 4 pm	15 Wii Fit Day	16 Texas Tuesday: Texas Hold 'em Tournament 5 pm	17 Father's Day Cards Guitar Lessons 4-6 pm	18 Banana Split Day 3 pm	19 Doubles Pool Tournament 6 pm	20 Self-defense Class: Module 1 10 am-1 pm

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Final Thoughts



Shipmates

The strength of a warship lies in the hearts and hands of its crew.



Photo by MC3 Brandon C. Wilson

Aviation Ordnance Airman Brandon Taylor of Philadelphia, Penn. disassembles and cleans an M-16 assault rifle aboard USS Abraham Lincoln's (CVN 72) armory.

Editor's Top 10

Top 10 things to do now that you've been frocked:

10. Hang out with other frockees with their new crowns and call your group a "murder."
9. Train up on all of your new deck qualifications so you can stand more watches.
8. Drop your application chit for the "Secret Petty Officer Society Club for Petty Officers Only" (SPOSCPOO)
7. Bother Supply Department until they put your new rank on the back of your ballcap.
6. Wait outside of Personnel and everytime someone walks by you ask "Am I getting my new pay yet?"
5. Buy a shiny new belt buckle with your rank on it to be the envy of all of your friends.
4. Study up to make 2nd Class because that's where the real power begins.
3. Study up to make 1st Class because that's where the real power begins.
2. Claim a desk for yourself... Put a flag on it.
1. Three words: "Respect my authori-tie!"

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