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Former President George H.W. Bush speaks to officers and crew assigned to the aircraft carrier that bears his name, USS George H.W. Bush (CVN 77), July 15. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist Seaman Apprentice Daniel S. Moore)

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From the Command Master Chief



Shipmates,

Another underway and month have gone by and USS GEORGE H.W. BUSH (CVN 77) continues to excel.

Let me begin by congratulating all of our new Senior Chief Petty Officers, ESWS

and EAWS warriors, and the individuals who were capped during this underway. There were so many successes that it is difficult to name them all. From those who reenlisted, to Lt. Cmdr. Morris and Senior Chief Cruz, winners of the 2010 Stennis Center Honorable George H.W. Bush Leadership Award and the Stennis Center Senior Chief Storekeeper (SW/AW) Charles G. Zwierzynski Leadership Award, you have all represented USS GEORGE H.W. BUSH with pride. Each of you have achieved new levels of responsibility and expertise that greatly contribute to the credibility and professionalism of this crew. Bravo Zulu!

Thank you for another successful underway. We were extremely fortunate to have the opportunity to have our namesake, 41st President of the United States, George H.W. Bush and his wife, former First Lady Barbara Bush, on board with us while out to sea. I am proud of your performance and it means that much more because, as many of you know, this was probably the last time our namesake will be able to visit us at sea.

We also made a lot of progress in terms of our training and war-fighting capabilities. We had multiple opportunities to put our training to the test and each time we continued to prove the importance of training like we fight and fighting like we train. Be sure to keep up the hard press, as

we can always improve and find new and more effective ways to train.

For the next month we will have the opportunity to enjoy some time in port. I encourage all of you to spend time with your families and enjoy the last of the summer. That being said, I cannot stress how important it is to be safe and make smart decisions during your off time activities. As you all know, last month we lost two shipmates in a situation that could have been avoided were alcohol not involved, and more Sailors are unfortunately leaving the Navy earlier than they planned due to bad decision-making.

In the next month we have our annual Command Summer Picnic, sponsored by Chick-fil-a, and our command-wide volunteer opportunity, "1,000 Points of Light Across Hampton Roads." I urge everyone to participate in both of these activities; they are great opportunities to enjoy the sun and company of friends and shipmates.

We're getting closer and closer to our maiden deployment, so keep up the hard work and maintain a positive outlook, and we'll be that much more prepared for anything that comes our way. Thanks for everything that you do to make this aircraft carrier stand out, I know we will continue to achieve great things.

Sincerely,
CMDMCM (SW/AW/FPJ)
John Heck
Command Master Chief

USS George H.W. Bush hosts namesake

Story by MCSA J. Scott St.Clair

USS GEORGE H.W. BUSH (CVN 77), the Navy's 10th and final Nimitz-class aircraft carrier, received a visit from her namesake, former President George H.W. Bush and former First Lady Barbara Bush, while underway June 14.

President Bush and Barbara were escorted on board by Adm. J.C. Harvey, Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command. During his two-day visit to the aircraft carrier, Bush toured the ship, observing day-to-day operations and spending time with the crew, as well as taking part in a reenlistment ceremony for nearly 60 Sailors, which he said was an honor.

"I am proud of every man and woman on this ship," he said. "I was honored to be able to reenlist those who are ready to serve again. I am very emotional about service to country, particularly the Navy. I am very proud of the Navy and extremely proud of this ship. That this ship is named after me knows no bound in terms of my emotion and my pleasure and the honor that I feel," the namesake said.

Commanding Officer Capt. Chip Miller expressed what a huge privilege and inspiration it was to host two individuals who devoted their lives to selfless service.

"What an honor it is to have our special guests on board to see freedom at work first hand," Miller said. "We are so grateful to have them join us at sea to see what we do and how we do our part to defend freedom."

Barbara pointed out how much the aircraft carrier and its crew meant to her and her husband.

"This ship is probably the greatest honor that George Bush ever had given to him," Barbara said. "He and I pray for this crew every single night



Photo by MCSA (SW) Daniel S. Moore
Former President George H.W. Bush speaks to officers and crew during a reenlistment ceremony on board, July 15.

of our lives. This crew is the greatest and we are thankful to you for what you're doing and what your families do for all of us," she said.

Aviation Boatswain's Mate (Handling) Airman Apprentice Sutton C. Hout, of Air Department, said she was thankful for the opportunity to interact with the namesake of the aircraft carrier on which

she serves, an experience that she will never forget.

"It was really exciting to spend time with a former president," she said. "It was an honor to meet him. It was



Photo by MC2 (SW) Nathan A. Bailey
Former President George H.W. Bush arrives on the flight deck, July 14.

great experience interacting with the namesake of this great ship and someone who played such a significant role in U.S. history," Hout continued. "It's not every day that you get to meet the 41st President of the United States."

Miller also noted that one of the command's primary goals is to emulate the qualities of its respected namesake.

"We run this ship and we harp on our guiding principles," Miller said. "President Bush is an example to every single one of us and Mrs. Bush is an example that inspires us every day. Our number one guiding principle on board this ship is that, like our namesake, we are professionals who serve our country with integrity. It drives us. It fuels us," he said. "George H.W. Bush is a professional who continues to serve his country with integrity."

The former president expressed his confidence and high hopes for the command concerning the aircraft carrier's upcoming maiden deployment and reinforced his gratitude to the armed forces and its service members.

"This ship will do a wonderful job supporting freedom around the world," he said. "When this ship deploys, I know that you will carry the flag with great honor, the flag of the United States, a flag of freedom. We



Photo by MC2 (EXW/PJ) Joe Clark
Former President George H.W. Bush speaks to Sailors via the ship's announcing system, July 14.

are so blessed that freedom works in this country," he added. "What a great country this is and what a wonderful thing it is to be an American. We are so lucky to have people serving, all volunteers, volunteering for this country and to be a part of this magnificent ship."

Bush, a former Navy pilot, was stationed on the USS SAN JACINTO (CVL 30) during World War II and earned the Distinguished Flying Cross for his combat service in the Pacific in 1944.

USS George H.W. Bush is the only U.S. Navy aircraft carrier with a living namesake. This visit marked the second time at sea for the former President, but was Mrs. Bush's first time underway aboard the ship named after her husband. The Bush's daughter and ship's sponsor, Doro Bush Koch, went underway aboard the ship for its first ever Friends and Family Day Cruise in May. The entire Bush family has been actively involved in the command and events involving its crew since the ship's commissioning in January 2009. †



Photo by MCSA (SW) Daniel S. Moore
Former President George H.W. Bush and former First Lady Barbara Bush watch flight operations from the aircraft tractors, July 14.

Namesake Presents Stennis Center Leadership Awards



Photo by MCSA (SW) Daniel Moore

Chief Electrician's Mate (SW/AW) Ernest Cruz of Reactor Department is presented The Stennis Center Senior Chief Storekeeper (SW/AW) Charles G. Zwierzynski Leadership Award by former President George H.W. Bush and First Lady Barbara Bush, July 15.



Photo by MCSA (SW) Daniel Moore

Air Department's Lt. Cmdr. Christopher Morris is presented The Stennis Center Honorable George H.W. Bush Leadership Award by former President George H.W. Bush and First Lady Barbara Bush, July 15.

By MC2 (EXW/PJ) Joseph M. Clark

Former President George H.W. Bush presented two Sailors with The Stennis Center Honorable George H.W. Bush Leadership Award and the Stennis Center Senior Chief Storekeeper (SW/AW) Charles G. Zwierzynski Leadership Award for outstanding leadership during his visit on board USS GEORGE H.W. BUSH (CVN 77), July 15.

The Stennis Center for Public Service, which Congress created in 1988 to promote public service in America as exemplified by former Mississippi Sen. John C. Stennis, facilitates the Stennis Leadership Awards Program in order to recognize distinguished officers and senior enlisted Navy personnel who demonstrate outstanding leadership aboard aircraft carriers.

The Stennis Center Honorable George H.W. Bush Leadership Award recipient was Lt. Cmdr. Christopher Morris, who serves as the Air Department V-2 Division Officer. The Stennis Center Senior Chief Storekeeper (SW/AW) Charles G. Zwierzynski Leadership Award recipient was Chief Electrician's Mate (SW/AW) Ernest Cruz, a GEORGE H.W. BUSH plankowner and currently the Reactor Training Division

Officer, who was also recently selected for advancement to Senior Chief Petty Officer.

Both recipients were nominated by BUSH crewmembers and are selected for the award by a group of their peers for their outstanding leadership.

Cruz's award honors the memory of Senior Chief Storekeeper Charles G. Zwierzynski, who passed away in 2008. During his two years aboard GEORGE H.W. BUSH, Zwierzynski exemplified the Navy's core values of honor, courage and commitment and motivated those around him to excel.

Cruz, who was mentored by Zwierzynski upon selection as a Chief Petty Officer, said Zwierzynski was an outstanding leader and a great mentor.

"It was a great honor to receive an award in honor of such a great leader. He is greatly missed, and I hope to continue to live up to the standard that he has set," Cruz said.

Capt. Chip Miller, GEORGE H.W. BUSH commanding officer, said that both recipients demonstrate an enormous amount of talent and expertise.

"It's a reflection of the people in my department," Cruz said. "The award is really a reflection of their outstand-

ing success on a daily basis."

Morris also attributed his award to the outstanding performance from the Sailors that he leads.

"Receiving the award was a very great honor and the highlight of my career so far, but it was due to the efforts and hard work of all 250 Sailors in V-2 Division taking a ship right out of the shipyard and successfully completing Flight Deck Certification not once but twice as well as multiple carrier qualification flight operations that I feel I had the opportunity to receive the award."

Morris said that it is very important for all leaders to take care of their people and continues to guide with this principle in mind.

"When it comes to leadership, I believe the most important thing a leader has the obligation to do is to take care of his or her Sailors and that was my top priority as the V-2 Division officer."

Both recipients said it was an outstanding honor to be presented their award by former President George H.W. Bush.

"It was incredible," Cruz said. "It was an experience I won't soon forget." †

CVN 77 CAPs Sailors

Story by MCSN Sandi L. Grimnes

USS GEORGE H.W. BUSH (CVN 77) advanced nine Sailors to the next rank during a ceremony in the hangar bay, July 26.

The Navy's Command Advancement Program (CAP) allows each command to advance eligible E-3, E-4, and E-5 candidates to the next pay grade immediately.

"CAP is an opportunity for the command to recognize sharp, outstanding performers, by immediately advancing them to the next higher rank," said Command Master Chief (AW/SW/FJP) John W. Heck. "It is an on-the-spot promotion. This command enjoys that opportunity immensely. It's our way of thanking Sailors for sustained superior performance."

CAP boards take place twice a year following the advancement exam results. Sailors who are eligible but did not advance can be nominated by their department. The nominees are submitted to the CMC and the CAP selection board, and then reviewed and ranked based on many factors including performance, leadership, warfare qualifications, exam results, Navy wide advancement statistics, the physical readiness test, length of time in the Navy, length of time at current rate,

and potential in new pay grade. The board presents their recommendations to the commanding officer for final selection. The promotion to the next rank is effective immediately from the day of the announcement.

"Promoting Sailors through the CAP program is one of the greatest things I get to do as commanding officer of this ship," said Commanding Officer Capt. Chip Miller. "It's very rewarding to be able to recognize Sailors for their stellar performance in such a meaningful way."

"It feels good to know that if you work hard, you will be recognized," said Personnel Specialist 3rd Class (SW/AW) Joseph E. Moe, one of the CAP recipients. "It can get really discouraging when you can't advance and everyone you came



Photo by AWS3 Joshua Horton

Commanding Officer Capt. Chip Miller, Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class Stephen Markman, Aviation Boatswain's Mate (Handling) 2nd Class Benjamin Williams and Command Master Chief (AW/SW/FJP) John W. Heck pose for a photo during the CAP ceremony.

into the service with is already E-4s and E-5s and you are still a Seaman. You just have to take it day-by-day, keep the professionalism, the military bearing and people will respect and recognize you no matter what collar device you wear."

"These Sailors truly set the standard," said Miller. "Anyone on board this ship looking for a mentor, someone to emulate, can look to these Sailors to see the direct result of hard work, dedication, and commitment to excellence. These Sailors exemplify our guiding principles aboard USS George H.W. Bush, and I couldn't be more proud of them."

In addition to Moe, the other Sailors advanced during the ceremony were: Personnel Specialist 3rd Class Regina White, Aviation Boatswain's Mate (Handling) 3rd Class Robert Jonesbest, Personnel Specialist 3rd Class Matthew Hobson, Aviation Structural Mechanic 3rd Class Marcella Scott, Aviation Electrician's Mate 3rd Class Christa Langley, Damage Controlman 3rd Class Eddie Sandoval, Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class Stephen Markman, and Aviation Boatswain's Mate (Handling) 2nd Class Benjamin Williams. †



Photo by MCSN Kevin J. Steinberg

From left to right: Command Master Chief (AW/SW/FJP) John W. Heck and Commanding Officer Capt. Chip Miller stand with six of the seven Third Class Petty Officer CAP winners.



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Photo by MC2 (EXW/PJ) Joseph M. Clark

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Photo by MC2 (SW) Nathan Bailey

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Namesake Underway

(1) Former President George H.W. Bush and his wife Barbara with the the PRIFLY division, July 14. (2) Former First Lady Barbara Bush with Culinary Specialists in the Chiefs' Mess, July 15. (3) Bush with the the Ship's Security Division, July 15. (4) Bush with CVN 77 Chiefs during a breakfast in the Chiefs' Mess, July 15. (5) The former President and First Lady with Culinary Specialists in the Flag Cabin, July 14. (6) The former President and First Lady with Sailors at the reenlistment ceremony, July 15.



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Photo by MC3 Brent Thacker

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BREAKING BARRIERS

STORY AND LAYOUT BY MCSN MICHAEL SMEVOG

Aviation Maintenance Administrationman 3rd Class David Tirado Meléndez, of USS GEORGE H.W. BUSH (CVN 77) Aircraft Intermediate Maintenance Department's IM-1 division, started working at age 13 on a pineapple field in his native Puerto Rico. By age 14 he was helping at an auto mechanic shop, and at 16, he was a grocery store clerk.

After graduating high school at 18, he studied for two years to get his pilot license while working at an airport.

One day after celebrating with friends because he thought he passed his pilot test, he met a Navy recruiter at a nearby park. After Tirado's mother found the recruiter's contact information on her son's dresser, she contacted the recruiter and advised him to talk to her son about the Navy.

Tirado realized that he didn't have much money and was following the same bad path as his friends. He was not happy about failing his pilot test either.

"I knew that I didn't pass my exam for my instrumental flight license, and that depressed me more," Tirado said.

Tirado explained that he called the recruiter and said he wanted to join the Navy with whatever job he could get. Tirado passed the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery and the plan was solidified. Tirado was under

the impression that recruit training was located in Florida when he left for basic training Oct. 29, 2007, he said.

"Next thing I know I'm on my way to boot camp flying to Chicago in shorts," he said.

Tirado arrived to Great Lakes feeling confused, as he was only keeping up by imitating what everyone else was doing. Another Spanish speaking recruit told him to respond with, "Aye-aye, petty officer," to any command he was given. When a chief approached and ordered him to stop leaning on a wall, Tirado replied with, "Aye-aye, petty officer."

Once Tirado and the rest of his division arrived to their compartment, the Recruit Division Commanders (RDC) realized there was a language barrier when Tirado couldn't understand a simple order to sweep the deck. One of Tirado's RDCs sat him down and informed him about the Functional Applied Skills Training program. Every day, Tirado and a few other primarily Spanish-speaking recruits would walk to another building, through the thick, never-experienced snow, to learn English.

Through multiple audio and visual aids, Tirado learned enough English to pass the week-long course and verbal exam after three attempts, and began basic training with a new division. Tirado said he believes that sometimes

a person has to make sacrifices in order to achieve something.

"I had to sacrifice time and patience to learn English and communicate," he said. "It's about reaching a goal, and my goal was to be a Sailor."

Since he had already spent most of his nights after class training with his division, basic training was much easier now that he knew what to expect, and of course, since he could understand English, he explained. Tirado graduated from basic training in February of 2008 and continued on to "A" school.

"When I went to 'A' school is when I really, really started learning English," he said.

Having trouble pronouncing the "ch" sound, and mistakenly replacing it with the "sh" sound as he would in Spanish, Tirado explained that he upset yet another chief while trying to say "chit," and "chief" at school.

Tirado said that at "A" school he spoke with friends for two months in a more relaxed environment, which led to him being able to communicate better by learning more of the "American" side of the English language.

"I learned to say 'that's cool.' Things like that, I didn't know," he said.

Now, stationed on GEORGE H.W. BUSH for almost three years, Tirado keeps track of important information concerning aircraft components and

their inspection statuses. He has improved his second language on board the ship, well enough to complete the tasks of his job with help from his shipmates.

"For me, every day in the Navy is a learning experience," Tirado said.

Tirado explained that he is still improving his reading and writing skills, which is the most challenging aspect for him to excel at his job. He is constantly progressing towards being able to communicate as efficiently as possible.

"If I want the Navy to be my future I have to adapt, and learn, and grow to be like a Sailor. I have to learn their way of communication," he added.

Tirado said he was very proud when he received positive marks after using his first language to translate with officers of the Mexican navy during their tour on board the ship.

"They were very satisfied at the end of the tour," he added. "If I can use my abilities to help this ship and my crew, I'll use it." †



Equal Opportunity knocks at CVN 77

Story and layout by MCSA J. Scott St.Clair

Sailors stationed on board the Navy's newest aircraft carrier had the opportunity to voice their opinions about their command during the USS GEORGE H.W. BUSH's (CVN 77) annual Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute (DEOMI) Organizational Climate Survey (DEOCS), 28 June to 16 July.

According to Master Chief Gunner's Mate (SW/AW) Michael M. Hunter, Command Equal Opportunity Advisor, the anonymous survey is a yearly requirement mandated by DEOMI, to proactively assess the effectiveness of the command, regarding its efforts to promote equal opportunity and diversity.

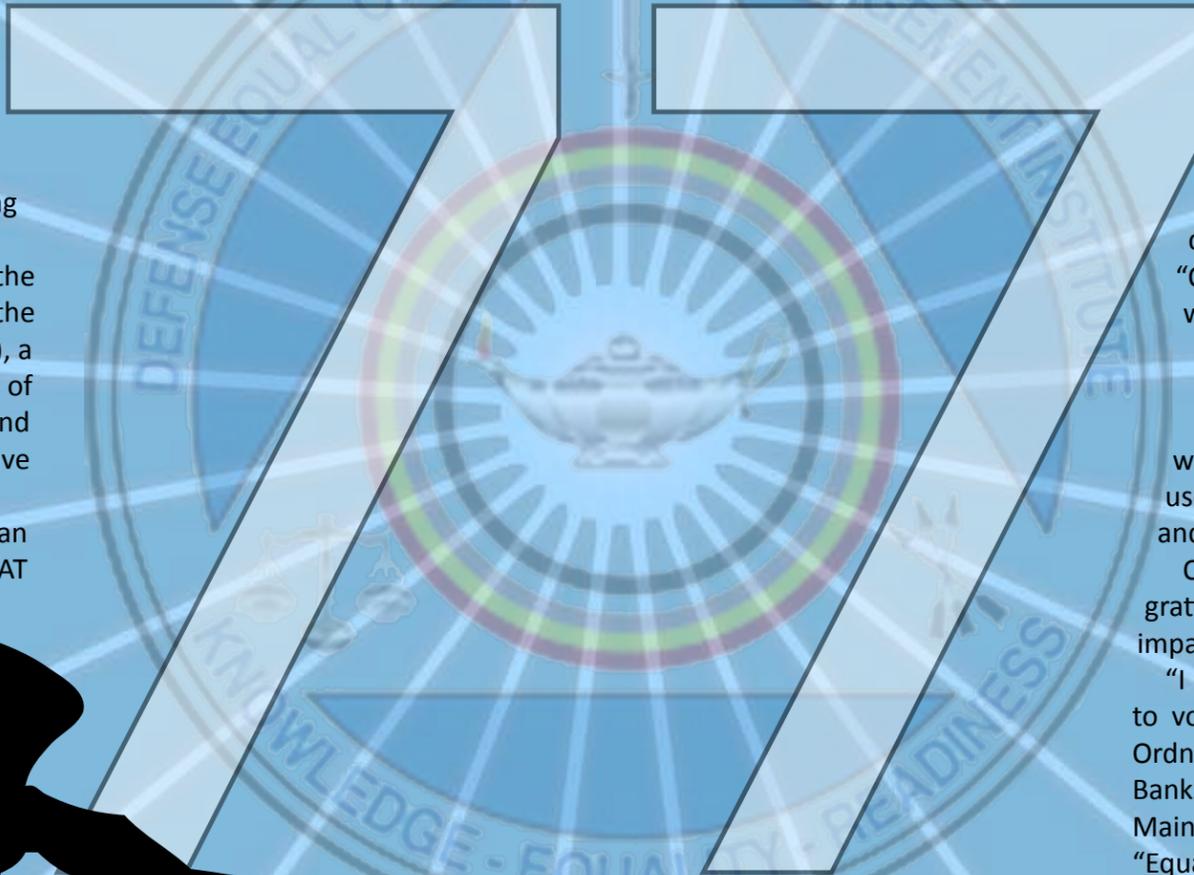
"The command survey makes the difference between a good ship and a great ship," Hunter said. "It allows us to see where we're doing well and where we can improve."

Hunter said the multi-faceted survey assesses climate factors by posing questions that characterize the unit's readiness, policies, practices and procedures that occur or are likely to occur within the unit. The DEOCS was available in three different forms: online, paper, or in combination. Survey takers responded to the questions using a five-point scale, as well as multiple opportunities to enter personalized comments.

He said that that data is then analyzed and used to improve the morale of the ship, everything from the Physical Readiness Test (PRT) and Career Development Board (CDB) programs, to the dining facilities and working hours.

Overseeing the completion of the survey by the entire crew was the Command Assessment Team (CAT), a team Hunter said was comprised of Sailors representing all paygrades and demographics, with the executive officer acting as chairman.

Chief Aviation Ordnanceman (AW/SW) Marion L. Fairey, the CAT leader, said that the team is directly responsible for creating a plan of action from all the data collected from the survey in



addition to information collected from previous surveys.

"We handle all of the preparation and administration that goes into obtaining usable data from the surveys," he said. "Once the data has been analyzed, we go through the process of validating the information through focus groups, observations and interviews with the crew members. We then use the data to improve conditions and morale where ever we can."

One junior Sailor expressed his gratitude for the chance to have an impact on the command.

"I appreciate the opportunity to voice my opinion," said Aviation Ordnanceman Airman Jordan S. Banks of the Aircraft Intermediate Maintenance Department (AIMD). "Equal opportunity is a standard that has a strong presence here, but there are always opportunities to improve."

Banks also pointed out the unique circumstances that service members face in diverse working environments and recognized the positive reinforcement that resulted from the DEOCS.

"Being in

the military breaks down a lot of the social barriers that exist in the civilian work force," he said. "As a Sailor, you start to lose sight of the color of your shipmates when they're making same sacrifices as you every day. This survey helps to remind us to never revert to old ways of thinking."

Hunter predicted that this year's survey will provide drastically different feedback from previous surveys due to the aircraft carrier's recent and frequent underway activity in preparation for her upcoming maiden deployment, and noted the role that the survey has played in that process.

"I expect to see more feedback on the operational tempo of the command," Hunter said. "We've gone from a pre-commissioning unit to a haze gray ship and one of the best carriers in the fleet. Make no mistake, the command climate survey helped us get there."

Fairey agreed and also noted the large amount of crew turnover that has occurred since the last survey and how it will contribute to the responses.

"We know we can anticipate vastly different feedback this year," he said. "With the turnover of the majority of the crew and its size having doubled, it's like having brand new crew, complete with new ideas and responses." †

Navigating rough seas: CVN 77 CRMD sponsors 12-step program underway

Story by MC2 (EXW/PJ) Joseph M. Clark

The USS GEORGE H.W. BUSH (CVN 77) Command Religious Ministries Department (CRMD) is sponsoring bi-weekly Alcoholics Anonymous/12-step meetings in the ship's chapel during each underway period, and throughout the deployment.

The meetings are open to all Sailors, including friends and family members of alcoholics, who have faced problems as a result of alcohol.

"At the core of all 12-step meetings is the phrase, 'Our lives have become unmanageable,'" said Lt. Sunny Mitchell, a chaplain aboard USS GEORGE H.W. BUSH. "These meetings offer a safe venue for our Sailors to get the support they need in their lives, and give group support to our Sailors during the long underway periods when the ship life can become difficult and stressful."

The all-volunteer meetings, which are about an hour long, provide an open format for Sailors to discuss issues pertaining to alcoholism and drug abuse.

According to Chief Machinist's Mate (SW/AW) Derrick Lee, the command Drug and Alcohol Program Administrator (DAPA), offering the meetings while underway and deployed is an important step in the command's facilitation of appropriate treatment for Sailors while still remaining operational.

"It's all about the Sailors," Lee said. "We want to let them know that they are not alone and to give them realistic views from a big picture perspective."

Lee said that many Sailors tell him that the meetings are the best part of the treatment they are receiving.

As the DAPA, Lee attends the meetings solely in a supporting role. The meetings are an open forum for Sailors to discuss real issues with their peers.

"If a Sailor has an issue with alcohol it will most likely have a huge affect on their performance at work and in their personal life. These meetings are a great way for the Sailors to relieve stress and work through their problems in a constructive manner," Lee said. †



CVN 77 SAILORS VOLUNTEER THEIR SUPPORT

Story and layout by MCSN Matthew R. Perreault

USS GEORGE H.W. BUSH (CVN 77) will sponsor its 2nd annual volunteer event, "1,000 Points of Light," in Hampton Roads, Va., Aug. 17.

The purpose of this event is to give back to the community that the Sailors come from, said Lt. Sunny Mitchell, a chaplain aboard the ship.

"The idea is to make our Sailors 1,000 points of light in the community," said Mitchell.

Last year's "1,000 Points of Light" was a great success with fewer volunteers than this year, said Chief Religious Programs Specialist (AW/SW/

FMF) Eddie Williams, the command's volunteer coordinator. More than 2,000 Sailors will participate in this year's event.

The event was initiated to commemorate the ship's namesake, former president George H.W. Bush, who called for others to be "serving some purpose higher than ourselves – a shining purpose, the illumination of a thousand points of light."

"When times get hard or times get rough we have a tendency to turn inward and look at the struggles in our own lives," said Mitchell. "By looking at the struggles in other people's lives and helping out a community,

perspective.

Mitchell and Williams sought out a variety of organizations to aid in the volunteer effort, and to also serve as points of contact to provide resources and to identify what projects need to be done around the area, said Williams.

The organizations involved in the volunteer efforts include, but are not limited to, Virginia Beach Parks and Recreation, Chesapeake Parks and Recreation, Portsmouth Parks and Recreation and Hampton City School System, Williams said.

Volunteer efforts will also include Sailors reading to children in after-school reading programs, as well as beautification efforts at various schools around the Hampton area, said Mitchell.

Sailors will volunteer at a local soup kitchen to organize and replenish food pantries, said Williams. Volunteers will also assist in building homes in the Virginia Beach area with help from Habitat for Humanity.

Cmdr. William Pennington, the ship's executive officer, will partake in efforts to improve the Norfolk Zoo with other Sailors.

Sailors interested in volunteering can contact their department's leading petty officer or one of the points of contact for the work site they are interested in. †

VOLUNTEER EVENTS

(Not all events are listed)

VA BEACH PARKS AND RECREATION

Painting, weed flower beds, pick up trash, remove fence, trail work, mulch playground, tree trimming, dig drainage ditch, power wash picnic tables

VA BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Reading to children

VIRGINIA ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Goat shed clean up, weeding bison yard, clean up along shoreline and bison yard, clean up tin cans, install wire to keep out raccoons, clean and organize vet clinic, and replace substrate in the goat yard

JUDEO CHRISTIAN OUTREACH MINISTRY

Paint fence and shed, tear out and re-build stairs, and electrical and plumbing work

NEWPORT NEWS RECREATION AND TOURISM

Install surfacing, painting and scraping

SAMARITIAN HOUSE

Trim bushes, weed flower beds, remove ivy/weeds from behind AC and along house, vinyl siding pressure wash house and storage unit, pressure wash walkway, driveway, deck/patio, patio furniture, stain deck/patio

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Construction

CITY OF CHEASAPEAKE

Repair and paint wood, minor repairs, mulching

PORTSMOUTH PARKS AND RECREATION

Landscaping, stripping and waxing, painting and clean up

August 2010 Fleet and Family Support Center Calendar

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

<p>2 Career Planning Little Creek 1-4 p.m.</p>	<p>3 Parenting in the Military Norfolk 6-8:30 p.m.</p>	<p>4 Art of Money Management Norfolk 4:30-8:30 p.m.</p>	<p>5 VA Disability Benefits Review Oceana 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.</p>	<p>6</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>10 Effective Resume Writing Oceana 9 a.m.-Noon</p>	<p>11 Interview Techniques Norfolk 8:30-11:30 a.m.</p>	<p>12 Federal Employment System Oceana 9 a.m.-Noon</p>	<p>13</p>
<p>16 Interview Techniques Newport News 9 a.m.-Noon</p>	<p>17 Children and Divorce Norfolk 3-5 p.m.</p>	<p>18 Children and Divorce Norfolk 3-5 p.m.</p>	<p>19 Couples Workshop Norfolk 4-6 p.m.</p>	<p>20</p>
<p>23 TSP Your Key to Financial Independence Oceana 10-11:30 a.m.</p>	<p>24 Don't Bet Your Life On It Newport News 8:30-9:30 p.m.</p>	<p>25 IA Deployment Readiness Brief Norfolk 1-3 p.m.</p>	<p>26 IA Family Discussion Group Norfolk 6:30-8:30 p.m.</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>30 Million Dollar Sailor Norfolk 8 a.m.-4 p.m.</p>	<p>31 Million Dollar Sailor Norfolk 8 a.m.-4 p.m.</p>			

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