

Guantanamo Bay Gazette



The United States Coast Guard Sea-going Buoy Tender USCGC Oak (WLB-211) lowers a navigational buoy to be reinstalled in Naval Station Guantanamo Bay Cuba's harbor. The Oak spent three days at the naval station performing maintenance and repairs on the base's navigational aids. -Photograph by MCC Bill Mesta

USCGC Oak Takes Care of GTMO's Navigational Buoys

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Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba Public Affairs

The United States Coast Guard sea-going buoy tender USCGC Oak (WLB-211) pulled into Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba Oct. 19-22.

The Oak visited the naval station to perform repairs and maintenance on the base's navigational buoys.

"The upkeep and repair of the naval station's buoys is very important so that ships that are traveling through our harbor can navigate safely," said Quartermaster 2nd Class Dennis Steel, a dock-master assigned to the NS Guantanamo Bay port operations department. "If the harbors navigational aids are not regularly maintained, they will become degraded. This would increase the possibility of ships running aground or into the buoys, causing serious damage to the vessel."

The Oak is one of 16 Coast Guard cutters that specialize in servicing navigational buoys.

"The Oak came to GTMO to fix discrepancies found on the buoys in the naval station's harbor," said Steel, "While here, the crew of the Oak worked on the naval station's buoy lights, electrical wiring, replaced worn parts, and repaired some of the day-markers,"

Recently members of the U.S. Coast Guard out of Yorktown, Virginia provided navigational aid repair and maintenance training to port operations personnel.

"We were taught how to troubleshoot and repair the lights that are mounted on the bouys," said Steel. "They showed us how to check for bad wiring, degraded batteries or broken light-bulbs."

The training that the naval station's personnel received will help keep the base's navigational aids operational between the Oaks visits. The Oak visits the naval station approximately twice a year to work on the buoys.

GMTO's AMC Rotator Schedule to Change

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On Jan. 7, the Air Mobility Command (AMC) flights servicing Naval Station Guantanamo, Cuba will change its schedule.

The flights to and from the naval station will swap origination/termination points with the Saturday flight beginning and returning to Naval Air Station (NAS) Norfolk and the Tuesday flight starting and ending at Baltimore International Airport (BWI).

"Norfolk, Virginia has the largest navy base in the world and many of GMTO's residents execute permanent moves to or from that area," said Drew Lasseter, the naval station's airfield facilities manager. "By having the rotator originate and end in Norfolk, we are going to be able to better serve the GMTO community."

Both flights will still make an inter-

mediate stop at NAS Jacksonville and the show times will remain the same.

"Currently AMC has six flights per month to and from the Baltimore, Washington area while there are only two per month going to Norfolk," said Lasseter. "Realigning the AMC flights will provide four flights per month to BWI and NAS Norfolk."

Two of the monthly flights to the Washington-Baltimore area will be to Andrews Air Force Base and require passengers to be eligible to fly in a Space Available status.

"Travelers for the New Year's holiday period should plan their travel carefully," said Lasseter. "The flights on Jan. 7, 14 and 21 will operate to and from Norfolk, while the Jan. 10 and 14 flights will operate to and from Baltimore."

For more information about AMC flights that service GMTO please call the air terminal at 6204 or 6408.

USNH GTMO Dental Services to Move Temporarily

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Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba Public Affairs

The Dental Department at USNH Guantanamo will be moving to temporary facilities, Nov. 7-10.

The facilities are being relocated so that upgrades can be made to the permanent dental wing.

"Dental services will be relocated to the 'C' wing and the Mobile Dental Van until the summer of 2012," said Hospital Corpsman 1st Class Anthony Wivell, the hospital's public affairs officer. "All patients will be checking in at the 'C' wing reception desk located on the second deck, to the right side as you exit the double elevators."

Signs will be posted directing patients

to the temporary dental check-in location, said Wivell

"Dental services will be conducted in 2 locations; at the dental clinic and in the Mobile Dental Van located outside the emergency room entrance," said Wivell.

Dental laboratory services, which include dental appliances such as night/bite guards and sports guards, will not be offered during the move.

"The week of the move, the dental department will be providing sick-call and emergency services only," said Wivell. "Sick-call hours are from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. each Mon, Tues, and Thurs and 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Wed. The dental office will be closed for Veterans Day on Nov. 11."

For more information about the dental department's temporary move, please contact Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Orlando Atencia at 7-2119.



**CONSTRUCTION ELECTRICIAN
1ST CLASS**

Christy Turturice

- **Job/department:** NCTAMS-LAND DET LPO
- **Age:** 37
- **Hometown:** Augusta, GA
- **Quote:** All great things are simple and can be expressed in single words: freedom, justice, honor, hope and mercy
- **Hero:** All Wounded Warriors
- **Favorite hobby:** Gourmet Cooking and Golf
- **Favorite book:** Of Saints and Shadows.
- **Favorite movie:** Ever After
- **Greatest passion:** My Son and Daughter
- **Greatest accomplishment:** Developing a JQR for the Information Dominance Warfare Program.
- **Ambition/Goal:** Bachelors Degree in Architecture
- **How the Navy has improved his life:** The Navy has allowed me to travel the world, meet great people, and make life-long friends
- **Sailor of the Week because:** CE1 responded to repair a vital PA/Intercom system at Firehouse #1 and with no technical documentation evaluated the system and made the repairs required to return the system to 100 percent operational.

ENERGY DID-YA-KNOW

Set the thermostat for your central air conditioning system at the highest comfortable setting (78 to 80 degrees F is recommended). If you normally set it at 72 degrees F, raising it to 78 degrees F should save between 12 and 47 percent in cooling costs, depending on the climate where you live.



Guantanamo Bay's K-9 War Hero Retires From Active Duty

Mr. Terence Peck

Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba Public Affairs

A Sailor with Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba's Security department bid farewell to his German Sheppard canine partner when he was adopted by a family here on Oct. 21.

Atos, a Military Working Dog (MWD), leash was taken off for the last time by Masters-at-Arms 2nd Class Bobby Toal when he was released to Lt. Nicholas Pecci, Security Officer, Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba and his family.

"It's sad to lose a dog, but on another note, it always makes a handler feel good to know that the dog is going to someone that wants him," said Toal. "They (handlers) know that they are going to take care of them."

Toal and Atos were together for more than two years, including a 9-month deployment to Iraq supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom.

As an explosive patrol dog, Atos detected and located weapon caches and Improvised Explosive Devices (IED), in addition to conducting house searches and foot patrols in Iraq. Atos located one of the largest weapons caches in the Anbar Province comprising of 229 pieces of ordinance, IED components, 31 mortars, 98 rockets, 45 hand grenades and 500 feet of detonating cord.

Atos is retiring from active duty because while he was deployed to Iraq he became overheated, which damaged his bodies ability to regulate his temperature.

Toal said that over the six years that Atos' has served in the Navy, he was one of the better dogs he's worked.

"He has been phenomenal and is very well-rounded," said Toal, who joined in the Navy in 2001.

Toal, who has worked a total of nine dogs over his seven years as a dog handler, will be leaving Guantanamo Bay to become an instructor at the Dog Training school in San Antonio, Texas. His duties at the school will be to train new MWDs and handlers before they report to the fleet.

"I get to pass my knowledge on everything I gathered through the years from both deployments I've done in Iraq," said Toal. "Hopefully, what I teach the handlers or teach the dogs will save other people's lives.

For Pecci, adopting Atos was an opportunity for his two



Lt. Nick Pecci, wife, Lisa and their sons, four-year-old Ryan and six-year-old Jaled recently adopted Atos, a German Sheppard Military Working Dog-Photo by Terence R. Peck

boys, 4 and 6, to finally get the dog they wanted.

"Before we came down here, my children wanted to get a dog, but the house we were living in didn't allow us to," said Pecci, who arrived to GTMO in June. "We didn't have time during the move so we were going to look around to see if we could find a dog down here."

The Pecci family was able to adopt a military working dog because of a law enacted in 2000 called "The Robby Law". The law permits these dogs to be adopted as pets or be transferred to other government law enforcement agencies.

A dog placed in disposition status is unable to perform full military duties. The dog is given a medical examination and a temperament assessment to screen for eligibility for adoption.

When he found out that Atos was placed in a disposition status, he introduced him to the children.

"Atos is a playmate for my two sons," said Pecci. "They really like dogs, a lot of their friends had dogs in Virginia and they know I used to be a working dog handler, so they have been around them all their lives."

Pecci said that having a former military working dog as a pet has benefits.

→ For more about the Atos see **K-9** Page 6

SAFETY DEPARTMENT DID-YA-KNOW



Halloween is meant to be a day of fun! Increasingly, adults are getting into the act and dressing up too. Whether or not you've got young ghouls and goblins to care for, there are a few things to remember to keep Halloween a night of treats, rather than tragedy.

Motorists:

- Anticipate children darting out from between parked cars.
- Watch for children walking on roadways, medians and curbs.
- Enter and exit driveways and alleys carefully.
- At twilight and later in the evening, expect children to be in dark clothing.

Parents:

- Make sure that an adult or an older, responsible youth will be supervising the outing for children under age 12.
- Instruct your children to travel only in familiar areas and along

an established route. Tell them to be alert for cars and drivers who don't or can't see them.

- Teach your children to stop only at houses or apartment buildings that are well-lit and never to enter a stranger's home.
- Establish a return time.
- Tell your youngsters not to eat any treat until they return home.
- Costumes should not be so long that they are a tripping hazard. (Falls are the leading cause of injuries on Halloween.)

Single Sailors and Marines:

- Adult costume parties are lots of fun, but if you choose to drink, do so responsibly.
- The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports that Halloween is one of the most dangerous nights of the year for alcohol-related traffic deaths. Forty-four percent of all traffic deaths on Halloween occur as a result of driving while intoxicated.



One year old Veronica Diaz enjoys her morning at the Child Youth Program's Pumpkin Patch -Photo by Terence R. Peck

I Believe in the “Great Pumpkin”

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Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba Public Affairs

Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba’s Child and Youth Program (CYP) hosted a pumpkin patch at the Youth Center Oct. 22.

The CYP provided pumpkins to approximately 250 base residents in an effort to lift moral for families who reside at the naval station.

“The Pumpkin Patch is a field of over 300 pumpkins that kids can explore and choose just the right one to take home and carve for Halloween,” said Karen Simon, the CYP director. “GTMO’s CYP strives to keep our GTMO families busy with kid-friendly events.”

In addition to the pumpkins, families took part in hayrides, crafts, story time and a rock climbing wall.

“This is our second year hosting the Pumpkin Patch,” said Simon. “It was such a successful event last year and we definitely wanted to bring it back again. The Pumpkin Patch was the perfect seasonal event and brings a touch of home to GTMO.”

GTMO’s CYP has lots of family friendly events planned for the future.



NEX/MWR Customer Appreciation Weekend

Schedule of Events

Friday, October 28

- 1100 -1700 Shoe clinics in store
- 1600 -1800 Come skate with the Vans BMX Bike/Skate team (Skate Park)
- 2100 - John Taglieri performs at the Tiki Bar

Saturday, October 29

- 0700 - 5K Race Starts
- 0815 - 5K Race awards (Atrium)
- 0900 - Store Opens
- 0900 - Customer T-shirt give away begins
- 1000 - NEX Gift Card giveaways start
- 1000 - 1045 Vans autograph session (Atrium)
- 1100 - 1300 John Taglieri performs (Atrium)
- 1330 - 1400 John Taglieri and BUOS autograph session
- 1400 - 1445 DDD Chefs autograph session (Atrium)
- 1500 - 1630 Registration for Humvee Pull (Atrium)
- 1600 - 1630 Grand Prize giveaways
- 1700 - 1800 Humvee Pull competition in front of Atrium
- 1900 - 2030 John Taglieri performs at O'Kelly's
- 2100 - 2230 Blessid Union of Soul Band (BUOS) performs at O'Kelly's

Sunday, October 30

- 0900 - Store Opens
- 1000 - NEX Gift card giveaways start
- 1100 - Dance Kinect Competition starts
- 1100 - 1200 1st setting Dinner with the Chefs from DDD (Music by BUOS)
- 1330 - 1430 2nd setting Dinner with the Chefs from DDD (Music by BUOS)
- 1600 - 1700 3rd setting Dinner with the Chefs from DDD (Music by BUOS)

E-4 Sailors Can Become Command Financial Specialist Assistants

Commander, Navy Installations Command Public Affairs

Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC) announced Oct. 26 they will begin a Navy-wide pilot program to enable E-4 Sailors to become assistants to the Command Financial Specialist (CFS).

Details of this program were released in NAVADMIN 318/11.

Sailors participating in this program will be trained to assist Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) Personal Financial Management (PFM) counselors.

"These young Sailors will assist our counselors with outreach and training to the millennial generation (18-23 year-olds)," said Fred Davis, CNIC PFM program analyst. "We feel that if we can have financially successful E-4's to augment our training program that they can mentor and provide peer-to-peer influence for other Sailors.

Recent studies indicate today's 18-23 year-old Sailors make financial decisions based largely on peer recommendations.

"E-4s account for more than 57 percent of total counselees, and more than 44 percent of them ask for budgeting help or advice on credit issues during that counseling session," added Davis.

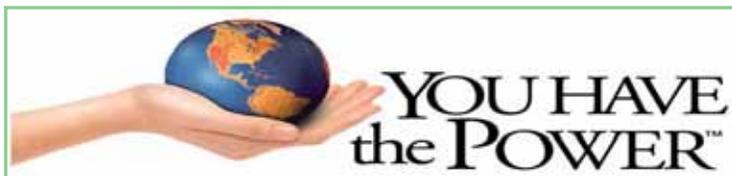
The program is voluntary, and volunteers will be screened at the local FFSC with the PFM counselor and their command CFS. Only those with the highest command endorsement will be allowed into the program, according to Davis.

Sailors approved to participate in this pilot will receive an abbreviated CFS course (minus counseling training). They may not be appointed or serve as the financial counselors but will serve as co-facilitators to FFSC PFM counselors.

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"You start off with a well trained dog," Pecci said. "He needed a home and we needed a dog."

For more information on adopting a former military working dog, go to Lackland Air Force Base site is <http://www.lackland.af.mil/shared/media/document/AFD-080317-045.pdf>.



IGUANA JOE

GM1 Michael Braun Weapons Department



GTMO SHOPPER

E-mail classified ad submissions to **PAO-CLASSIFIEDADS@USNBGTMO.NAVY.MIL.** If sent to any other e-mail, it may not be published. Submit your ad NLT noon Wednesdays for that week's Gazette. Ads are removed after two weeks. **Re-submit** the ad to re-publish. The Gazette staff and NS Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, page. The Public Affairs Office has final editorial discretion on all content. Call MC2 Leona Mynes at 4520 with your questions or concerns.

VEHICLES

'99 Chevy Cavalier Sedan, Standard, A/C, Radio- 2000 Ford Explorer, Gold, Cold A/C, Good Condition, Clean Interior, 110,000 miles. \$7,000. Call 3014 (Day) or 77055 (Evening) or e-mail Brandon.s.loyd.ctr@jftgmo.southcom.mil

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2004 Hyundai 59k miles, Cold A/C, Runs Great, Regular Oil Change, Many extras, asking 7,000 Call 78486 ask for Brandon

For Sale 1994 26' Bayliner Pontoon Boat with 175 HP Evinrude engine. All fiberglass boat w/blue canvas top. New battery, Pwr Panel, wiring, nav & deck lights plus more items. \$7,500 OBO Dan 84039/77705

For sale: The Mystery Machine, 1994 Dodge Van and a GTMO icon; 2000.00 OBO. Also, a 1996 Dodge Neon with new tires and great sound system, standard transmission 1600.00 OBO. Call 55104 or 84231.

For Sale: 2001 Jeep Wrangler TJ Sport, I-6, 5sp, Bikini top and full soft top. Extra parts and accessories go w/ sale. \$6500/or Deal...x84115

89 Chevrolet Celebrity, good condition, runs great, new battery, new alternator, new brake pads, \$1450 Call 77127

ELECTRONICS

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HOUSEHOLD GOODS

Couch, Like new, 3 seater, forest green color. Very clean. No PETS at home. Asking \$80. Call 78686

Entr, cntr, honey color wood. Aprx 4'Hx4.5'Wx22" Deep. Fits TV/DVD/stereo/cable box. Asking \$60. Please call 75749

Persian style Carpet 6' x 9'. Matching Rug 3' x 5'. Just Cleaned Great Qty. Asking \$95 And \$25. Please call 75749

Futon, beige material. Good condition. \$150-Call JoAnn at 75559

Living Room Table: \$25 OBO Iron board: \$10 TV Stand with wheels: \$10 please call: 78468

OUTDOOR REC

Diving Gears: Seasoft Dive Boots SZ 9 : \$30 OBO Bare (tropical series) full Wet Suit: \$60 OBO Aqua Lung Dive Mask (tempered pacifica) best quality belt in valve: \$40 OBO Aeris Dive Bag: \$15 Please call: 78468

IGLOO Play mate Cooler: \$10 Beach chair: \$5 back yard's Round Table with four chairs: Please call: 78468 \$20 Living Room Table: \$25 OBO Iron board: \$10 Please call: 78468

LOST & FOUND

Lost Ipod at Cooper Field track on Oct. 18th. If found, please call 3368. Reward is being offered.

The SCOOP



CHILDREN'S TRICK OR TREAT

Trick-or-Treating will be held on Mon. Oct. 31 from 1700-1900.

BIBLE FALL FESTIVAL

The Base Chapel is hosting the Bible Fall Fair on Oct. 31 from 1800-2000

HALF-OFF BOWLING

Every Sunday, 1300-2300, Marblehead Lanes. FMI, call 2118.

JTF'S SAFE RIDE HOME.

To prevent drinking and driving, those out drinking can take a safe ride home. Call 84913 or 84781.

NFL FOOTBALL SUNDAYS

View your favorite game on one of eight monitors at O'Kelly's. FMI, call 75503.

MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL SPECIAL

Bring a friend and enjoy a pitcher of beer or soda and one large one-topping pizza (\$13) while watching the game. FMI, call 75503.

HALLOWEEN PARTY AND CONCERTS

Oct. 29, O'Kelly's Irish Pub, 1900-2230. Updates to the schedule include Blessed Union of Souls playing live on the patio at 2100. John Taglieri and free appetizers kick off the evening at 1900. Costume contest for individual and couples costumes. FMI, call 4882.

AMC ROTATOR CHANGE

Beginning Jan. 7, 2012, Saturday flights will be going to NAS Jacksonville and NAS Norfolk. The Tuesday flights will be going to NAS Jacksonville and BWI.

MARINE CORPS BALL

The Marine Corps Birthday Ball will be held on Friday, Nov. 11 in the Windjammer Ballroom at 1800. Tickets are on sale at Marine Hill, Mon-Fri from 1130-1300.

CLIPPER CLUB KARAOKE

Karaoke is offered at the Clipper Club on Saturdays from 1900-2300.

CHRISTMAS MAILING DEADLINES

To ensure your cards and packages arrive to the U.S. on time, please ensure that you mail before the deadlines. Nov. 1 for Parcel Post. Dec. 1 for 1st Class letters/cards and priority parcels

WINTER SAFETY STAND-DOWN

A Safety Stand-down will be held on Nov. 17 from 0830-1430 in the Windjammer Ballroom. The event is open to the entire GTMO community. The stand-down is mandatory for all NAVSTA personnel.

PUBLIC HEALTH FAIR

The 2011 Annual Public health fair will be held at the NEX Atrium on Saturday Nov. 5 from 0800 to 1600. Influenza and Tdap immunizations will be offered free of charge.

ZOMBIE PAINT BALL

The Liberty Program is offering Zombie Paintball on Sat Oct. 29 at 1730 for unaccompanied service members. For more info call 2010.

COMEDIAN CAROLINE RHEA

Nov 10 at 2100 at the Downtown Lyceum. This show is an adult show and is open to those who are 18 years or older

HALF-OFF BOWLING

Every Sunday, 1300-2300, Marblehead Lanes. FMI, call 2118.

BIG SCREEN FIGHT NIGHT

Saturday Nov. 12 at 2100. Big screen at the Tiki Bar. Pacquiao vs Marquez.

TEEN CENTER OPEN HOUSE

Nov. 4 at 1800 at the Teen Center. Parents are welcome to see and understand what the teen center has to offer and discuss ideas and concerns. FMI call 55346

GTMO FIGURE COMPETITION

Nov. 5 at the Windjammer at 1700. Participants should check in by 1700 with a 2000 start time for the competition. Participants will partake in 4 official poses and perform a 90 second routine. Spectators are welcome. FMI call 2113.

EXPLOSIVE ORDINANCE DISPOSAL

Weapons dept will be conducting ordinance disposal from Nov. 8-10. Base residents can expect loud explosions to occur on these day between 0800-1600.

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COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN

CFC is being held at GTMO until Dec. 2. Don't miss your opportunity to be a part of this effort. For more information please call GM2 Carroll or CM1 Braun at 4931.

BAYVIEW NOTICE

The Bayview will be closed until Oct. 30 in support of NEX Customer Appreciation Weekend. Rick's Lounge will remain open.

ANGER MANAGEMENT

GTMO's FFSC is offering Anger Management training on Nov. 8 from 1400-1600 in the FFSC Building. Call 4141 or 4153 to register.

INTERVIEW TRAINING

GTMO's FFSC is offering interview training on Nov. 30 from 1330-1530 in the FFSC Building. Call 4141 or 4153 to register.

NAVIGATING FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT

GTMO's FFSC is offering Navigating Federal Employment training on Nov. 8 from 1400-1600 in the FFSC Building. Call 4141 or 4153 to register.



GTMO JOB HUNT

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER 11-CUB-076, GS-1701-00. POSITION IS OPEN CONTINUOUS. APPLY ONLINE AT [HTTP://JOBVIEW.USAJOB.GOV/](http://JOBVIEW.USAJOB.GOV/)

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WAITER/WAITRESS (FLEXIBLE) (\$8.77/HR) NA-7420-02-01.

WAREHOUSE WORKER (REGULAR FULL TIME) (\$10.22/HR) NA-6907-04-01

ID CHECKER (FLEXIBLE) (\$7.25/HR) NF-0085-01

RECREATION ASSISTANT, COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES, SPECIAL EVENTS (FLEXIBLE) (\$8.00-\$12.00/per HR) NF-0189-02

FOOD SERVICE WORKER (FLEXIBLE)(\$8.77/HR) NA-7408-02-01

COOK (FLEXIBLE) (\$10.94/HR) NA-7404-05-01

CYP ASSISTANT (FLEXIBLE AND FULL TIME) (\$13.71/HR) GSE-1702-04-06

BARTENDER (FLEXIBLE) (\$9.48/HR) NA-7405-03-01

RECREATION AIDE (FLEXIBLE) (\$7.25/HR) NF-0189-01

To apply for a job, call the MWR Human Resources Office at 74121 or stop by Bldg. 760.

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MOVIES DOWNTOWN LYCEUM

FRIDAY OCT. 28

8 p.m.: **Warrior (new)** PG13 139 min.
10 p.m.: **Footloose** PG13 113 min.

SATURDAY OCT. 29

8 p.m.: **Apollo 18** PG13 86 min.
10 p.m.: **Conan the Barbarian** R 112 min.

SUNDAY OCT. 30

8 p.m.: **Contagion (new)** PG13 102 min.

MONDAY OCT. 31

8 p.m.: **Fright Night (last)** R 106 min.

TUESDAY NOV. 1

8 p.m.: **The Help (last)** PG13 146 min.

WEDNESDAY NOV. 2

8 p.m.: **Our Idiot Brother** R 90 min.

THURSDAY OCT. 27

8 p.m.: **The Debt** R 113 min.

CALL THE MOVIE HOTLINE @ 4880

GTMO poised to harvest the power of the Sun

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Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba Public Affairs

Throughout the month of October, Naval Station (NS) Guantanamo Bay, Cuba is observing Energy Awareness Month which runs from Oct. 1-31, on base.

This year's Energy Awareness Month themed, "Turn Words into Action; Turn Action into Results," promotes energy conservation for base residents.

"GTMO is an isolated base and produces all of its own electricity and water," said Tim Wagoner, NS Guantanamo Bay's Resource Efficiency Manager. "It is everyone's responsibility to conserve whenever possible."

The naval station is currently constructing a solar farm that is approximately the size of a football field which will provide electricity for the expansion of Denich Gym at the Cooper Field sports complex.

"The gym solar array will provide power directly to the gym for operation, reducing the amount of power that needs to be produced by the diesel generators," said Wagoner. "The gym solar array will use photovoltaic (PV) panels; PV is a method of generating electrical power by converting solar radiation into direct current electricity which is then converted to alternating current that can be used by the facility."

The implementation of solar technology will be valuable to the naval station as using alternative, renewable energy sources will reduce the cost and emissions that result from producing electricity using diesel generators.

"This solar array is important to the base because it will be the first large scale solar array on the station and will show the possibilities of solar power on the station," said Wagoner. "The use of alternative energy sources is extremely important for the base to provide energy security to it. Currently with the diesel generators we are completely dependent on the fuel that is delivered to the station."

Another example of new solar technology at GTMO is the recently installed perimeter lighting on the Leeward side of the naval station.

"The solar perimeter lights will reduce our electrical consumption by running off of batteries at night that are charged by solar panels during the day which reduces the amount of power that needs to be produced by diesel generators," said Wagoner.

Other recent equipment added to the naval station's inventory to make the base more energy efficient includes LED street lighting and two 3.5 megawatt generators.

"The LED lights are approximately 75 percent more efficient than their mercury vapor and high pressure sodium counterparts which results in less power that has to be produced by the diesel generators," said Wagoner. "The new generators have an increased efficiency, which means that it takes less diesel fuel to produce the same amount of power as the old generators."



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A view the solar farm that will power the Denich Gym expansion-Photo by MCC Bill Mesta