

# Weather disappointed, but Nugent didn't

Story by MC1 Robert Lamb, NAVSTA Public Affairs

Days before the NEX/MWR Customer Appreciation Weekend, Tropical Storm Noel lingered around the Caribbean, hindering the travel of many of the special musical guests to Guantanamo Bay (GTMO).

However, 'Motor City Madman' Ted Nugent was still able to make the trip to GTMO.

Nugent explained that he was on a mission to support the troops stationed in GTMO, as he has done for troops around the world and is grateful that the weather did not cancel his plan.

"I'll do whatever it takes to please you guys," he said. "I'll sign anything you have, I'll talk about hunting, and I'll talk about my new book, whatever. I'm here to thank you guys for all your service and may God bless you all."

Nugent signed guitars, shirts, record albums and even the cheeks of two women who were not prepared for the close encounter. He also paused to take pictures with the audience and listened to the stories his fans wanted to share with him.

Nugent's visit was planned as part of the NEX/MWR Customer Appreciation Weekend and was one of only a few acts that was able to make the trip. MWR Director Craig Basel explains the circumstances surrounding the last minute cancellations.

"TS Noel had a huge effect on the outcome of NEX/MWR customer appreciation day entertainment," remarked Craig Basel, Morale, Welfare and Recreation Director. "Basically, due to high winds,

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*(Right) Servicemembers, dependents and other GTMO residents weren't too disappointed not to hear the music, but were extremely happy to get the chance to receive some one on one time with a music legend.*



Photo by MC1 Robert Lamb

## Happy 232nd Birthday United States Marine Corps

On Nov. 10, 1775, the Second Continental Congress resolved to raise two battalions of "American Marines." Congress commissioned thirty-one year old Samuel Nicholas, a well-known Philadelphian, as captain of the fledgling force of Continental Marines. Nicholas raised two battalions of Marines as directed and began the long illustrious history of the United States Marine Corps.

On Nov. 1, 1921, General John A. Lejeune issued Marine Corps Order No.47, Series 1921. The order provided a summary of the history, mission, and traditions of the Corps.

Lejeune directed that the order be read to every command each subsequent year Nov. 10 honoring the founding of the Marine Corps. This tradition has continued every year since 1921 throughout the Corps.

The first official 'Birthday Ball' was probably held in 1925 in Philadelphia. No official records of the event were held prior to that date. Guests at the ball in 1925 included the Gen. John Lejeune, Secretary of the Navy, well-known national leaders and representatives from all military services.

On Oct. 28, 1952, Commandant Gen. Lemuel Shepherd, Jr. directed the celebration of the Ma-

rine Corps Birthday be formalized throughout the Corps. The details were included in the Marine Corps Drill Manual approved in 1956. Shepherd's order helped bring together the inclusion of a cake ceremony and other traditions still held every year at the Marine Corps Birthday Ball.

This year our proud tradition continues. Nov. 10, Gen. James Conway, 34th Commandant of the Marine Corps, invites you to celebrate the Corps' 232nd Birthday.

# Bush proclaims 'National Veterans Awareness Week'

By John J. Kruzel, American Forces Press Service

President Bush is urging Americans to recognize veterans' valor and sacrifice through ceremonies and prayers during "National Veterans Awareness Week" next month.

From Veterans Day on Nov. 11 through Nov. 17, the president encourages Americans to remember the brave men and women who have served as members of the U.S. armed forces, according to a proclamation released by the White House today.

"Throughout our history, America has been protected by patriots who cherished liberty and made great sacrifices to advance the cause of freedom," Bush said. "On Veterans Day, we honor these extraordinary Americans for their service and sacrifice, and we pay tribute to the legacy of freedom and peace that they have given our great nation."

In times of war and of peace, servicemembers have shouldered great responsibility and lived up to the highest standards of duty and honor to defend their fellow citizens and the country they love, Bush said.

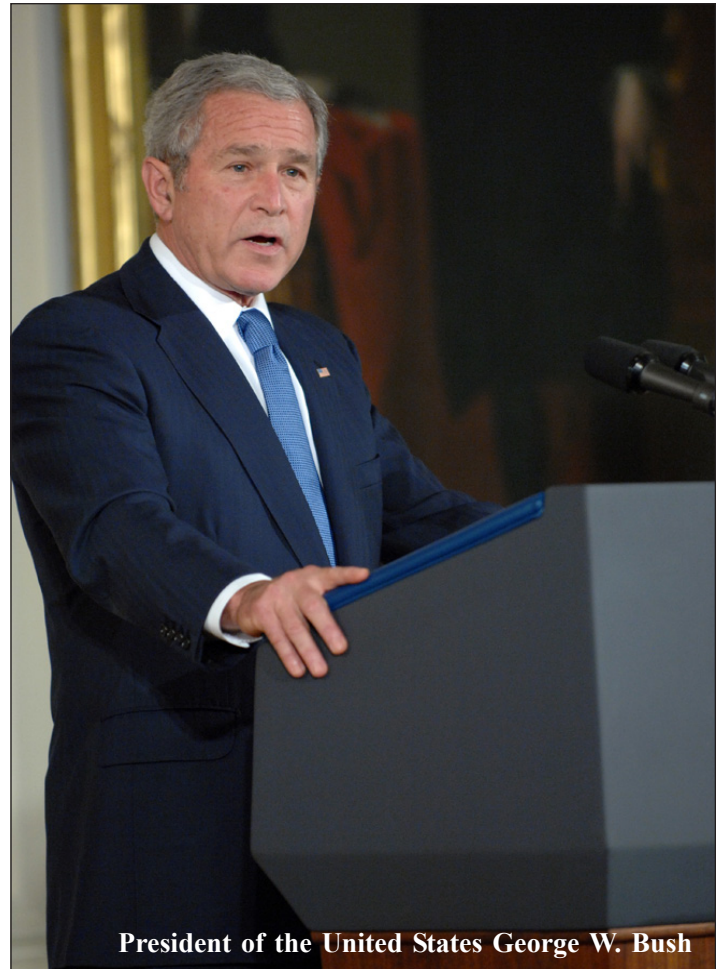
"Our veterans held fast against determined and ruthless

enemies and helped save the world from tyranny and terror," he said. "They ensured that America remained what our founders meant her to be: a light to the nations, spreading the good news of human freedom to the darkest corners of the earth."

Like the heroes before them, Bush said, today a new generation of men and women are fighting for freedom around the globe. "Their determination, courage, and sacrifice are laying the foundation for a more secure and peaceful world," the president added.

Bush said Veterans Day is dedicated to the extraordinary Americans who protected our freedom in years past and to those who protect it today. They represent the very best of our nation, he said.

"Every soldier, sailor, airman, Marine, and Coast Guardsman has earned the lasting gratitude of the American people, and their service and sacrifice will be remembered forever," Bush said. "In the words of Abraham Lincoln, 'Let us strive on to finish the work we are in, to bind up the nation's wounds, to care for him who shall have borne the



President of the United States George W. Bush

battle."

The president called upon federal, state and local officials to display the American flag and support and participate in patriotic activities in their communities. Bush also invited

civic and fraternal organizations, places of worship, schools, businesses, unions, and the media to support this national observance with commemorative expressions and programs.

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# Medal of Honor fiction

**Library of Congress' Web site holds 24 bogus valor claims**

**By John Hoellwarth, Staff writer, Navy Times**

The Library of Congress' Veterans History Project, which for the past seven years has been collecting oral and written histories of veterans' war experiences, contains 24 entries for Medal of Honor recipients that are bogus, according to official records.

Of the 49 purported recipients of the nation's highest award for combat valor who have participated in the nationwide project by telling their story for posterity, only 25 appear on the official Medal of Honor registry mandated by Congress in 1916, which includes 3,463 soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines who have earned the medal since its inception.

The bogus entries came to light based on a review of Veterans History Project records by Doug Sterner, who maintains an extensive, yet unofficial, online database of valor award recipients, and Mary Schantag, who runs the POW Network, a Web site listing U.S. prisoners of war.

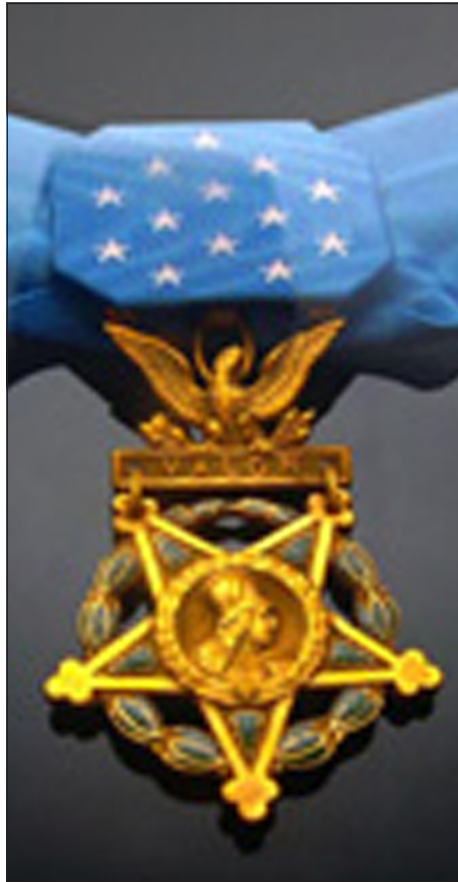
Their review also turned up 47 history project participants who appear to claim unearned service crosses — the nation's second-highest combat award — and 45 participants who falsely claim to have been prisoners of war.

Bob Patrick, director of the Veterans History Project, said the records are provided by interview subjects voluntarily, and project staff rarely verifies Medal of Honor claims. They do not review entries involving lesser awards for valor or service.

"We in the past have made an attempt to make a review when people claim the Medal of Honor," Patrick said in a telephone interview Monday afternoon. "We did a review some months ago, 18 months, and clearly it is time we do a review again."

As of Tuesday morning, the Veterans History Project pulled all references to the Medal of Honor from the 24 entries in question.

Based on a list compiled by Sterner and Schantag and provided to Marine Corps Times on Monday morning, the project's Web site included 32 unsubstantiated Distinguished Service Cross claims and 14 for the Navy Cross. It also includes the profile of Wallace M. Gallant, who was listed as of Monday morning as a recipient of the Medal of Honor, the Air Force Cross and the other two service crosses. No service member has ever earned



all three service crosses.

Patrick was hesitant to classify the interview subjects as frauds, and held open the possibility that there were clerical errors along the way.

"We have found cases of transcription errors and some cases where someone just wrote something down wrong," he said.

Sterner, a Vietnam veteran who was a driving force behind recently enacted legislation setting harsh punishments for those who claim unearned awards, said seeing "lies stamped with the seal of authenticity implied by finding these war stories preserved in the Library of Congress makes me want to throw up."

He added that the fraudulent claims call into question the credibility of the all the project's accounts, but Patrick said accuracy is not the project's primary goal.

"I don't think the project is compromised because it is not the mission of this project to establish a registry. The mission is to collect the war-time memories from World War I to Iraq and Afghanistan," he said.

As of Monday afternoon, it was unclear whether any of the subjects could be prosecuted under the Stolen Valor Act of 2005, in which false verbal, written and physical claims to unearned military awards carries a maximum penalty of one year in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

Patrick said project members are planning to scrub their Medal of Honor entries, and that "because of the new legislation, perhaps we need to take a look at Distinguished Service Crosses as well."

But he added that there's only so far that the project can dig on its own. Verifying the reported awards of "roughly 50,000" veterans who have participated in the project since it was created by Congress in 2000 is "not feasible," given the breadth of information that would have to be reviewed and the lack of a national database for recipients of awards other than the Medal of Honor, Patrick said.

Instead, the Veterans History Project relies on the public to point out false information and makes "a good-faith effort" to "strike that from the individual's record" when it is discovered, Patrick said.

Sterner said this case exposes the problem with records relating to valor awards: The government does not maintain a central database of award recipients that, if made available to the public, could easily disprove false claims of valor nationwide.

"The VHP exists because officially, as a nation we have done a poor job of recording and preserving the history of our heroes. They, like myself and others, have seen the need to preserve the stories of our veterans, and have stepped out to do something positive. It is critical, however, that official channels provide them the tools to ensure that the history thus preserved is accurate history."

Sterner also applauded the project's goals, adding that "the worst thing we can do because of this problem is kill the messenger" and places the onus on Congress to establish a searchable database that would have prevented this problem.

Several lawmakers who were recently contacted by Marine Corps Times expressed their support for the establishment of the database and hearings to discuss it, but none has yet scheduled a hearing nor drafted legislation.

## Ted...

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weather patterns and NALO's decision to combine flights, we lost the ability to move everyone from Jacksonville to GTMO as originally planned. It was decided to bring Ted Nugent in since we had all of his equipment loaded on the plane and at the time we thought the seas might calm down enough to bring his gear to windward, unfortunately, that did not happen as well."

Ted'Gonzo' Nugent arrived late on Thursday afternoon and was eager and willing to set up his equipment and put on a show, but the weather in and around the bay wouldn't cooperate.

"Thanks to MCSFCO and the USCG, we were able to get Ted over on Thursday but only for a meet and greet that night. Ted was very stoked about being here and had a terrific time meeting all the troops and leadership that he could during his short stay", added Basel.

The waves in the bay ranged from six - 10 feet, which prevented Ted's equipment from being transported across the bay to the Windward side for his show at the Windjammer.

So what is an entertainer to do in this situation?

Host a meet and greet - at least that is what Nugent did much to the delight of his fans.

"I would consider myself a big fan. I have three of his albums in my collection of 1200," said Parachute Rigger 1st Class (AW) Travis Mostoller. "It was disappointing that a lot of civilian and military legwork and paperwork went into bringing him down and he couldn't perform. With only Ted Nugent arriving to sign autographs and Survivor cancelling, it was a let down."

'Terrible Ted' arrived at around 9p.m. at the Windjammer Ballroom and began to tell stories of his travels and made sure that everyone knew that he was glad to be here and wanted to do whatever he could to please his fans. He went as far as apologizing to the crowd for something that was completely out of his control, the weather.

"I'm a fan of his in that he's from my "era" and I was disappointed that he didn't play. I have never been to one of his concerts

and to see him perform up close would have been quite entertaining, I'm sure," said Pamela Huff, Housing facilities manager.

On one occasion a young Marine Corporal introduced himself and said nice to see you again! The Marine had run across Ted Nugent in Iraq, while he was stationed near the town of Fallujah, in 2004.

"It was in May 2004, my Battalion had moved to Camp Fallujah, we had moved up there for the First push into the city in April, We had a day off for 'Boost of Morale Day' for the Battalion," said Cpl. Kenneth Housouer. Soon after we found out that Toby Keith

and Ted were coming,

The concert was supposed to start at 7 p.m., but it didn't start until midnight and we waited around so we could see them, even though we had a patrol around the city at 5:30 a.m. It was awesome, I had seats in row five. I wish that I could see another Ted Nugent concert again," replied Housouer.

Well you might just get that chance, Corporal. According to MWR officials, 'The Nuge' is very interested in working out details for a show sometime during the spring and MWR is committed to making this happen.

## Unclaimed vehicles

The NAVSTA Security impound lot is getting full. The department can hold vehicles for only 120 days. The cars listed are approaching or past this deadline. After this deadline, vehicles are turned over to Bremcor as directed by NAVSTA's Abandoned Property Board instruction.

Only the registered owner or his agent may claim the vehicle; do not call asking to purchase. For more information, contact CEC(SCW) Craig Thomas at 4325, Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. or email [thomasc@usnbgmtmo.navy.mil](mailto:thomasc@usnbgmtmo.navy.mil).



Photo by MC1 Robert Lamb

*(Left) Paige Bohan and (Right) Pamela Huff surround Ted Nugent during a photo-op, just minutes after getting his autograph.*

<u>Make/Model</u>	<u>Color</u>	<u>Plate</u>
Dodge Ram/Vam	White	C-7104
Chevy Van	White	C-0580
Chevy Celebrity	White	C-5351
Chevy Custom DLX	Gold	UKN
Ford Mustang	White	UKN
Toyota Corona	White	C-5976
Chevy Suburban	White	UKN
Dodge Truck	Black	C-6030
Mercury Monarch	Blue	C-6955
Dodge Ram/Van	White	UNK



Photo by Associated Press

**43-game losing streak comes to an end** — *It took 44 years and three overtimes for Navy to beat Notre Dame. The Midshipmen snapped an NCAA-record 43-game losing streak to the Fighting Irish on Saturday, Nov. 3, with a 46-44 victory in triple overtime. Kaipo-Noa Kaheaku-Enhada threw a 25-yard TD pass to Reggie Campbell on the first play of the third overtime, then found him again in the end zone for the 2-point conversion. It was the first time Navy (5-4) beat Notre Dame since a 35-14 win in 1963 when Roger Staubach was quarterback for the Midshipmen. The Midshipmen celebrated the long-awaited victory at midfield, jumping on top of each other.*

## Ship Named in Honor of Rear Adm. William T. Sampson

Story by MC2 John M. Stratton, Fleet Public Affairs Center, Atlantic

The fourth ship in the Navy's history named in honor of Rear Adm. William T. Sampson, *USS Sampson* (DDG 102), was commissioned Nov. 3 at Massport's Black Falcon Cruise Ship Terminal with more than a thousand spectators in attendance braving the wind and rain.

The new Arleigh Burke class guided-missile destroyer, built at the Bath Iron Works in Maine, was the first ship in five years commissioned in Boston.

Sampson's commissioning officially began with the traditional 19-gun salute by the oldest field artillery regiment in the nation, 1-101st Field Artillery Battalion, Massachusetts Army National Guard.

The salute honored Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry, who was the senior platform guest at the commissioning.

Kerry remarked that the Sampson's legacy would be de-

finied by her commander and crew.

The ceremony's principal guest speaker was Vice Adm. William D. Sullivan, the military representative to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. Sixteen years ago, then-commander Sullivan decommissioned *USS Sampson* (DDG 10), the ship he commanded during Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm.

Wilmington, N.C., resident Clare Parsons is the ship's sponsor. She is a retired commander in the U.S. Navy Reserves and her great-grandfather was William T. Sampson. Parsons was on hand to give the order to bring the ship to life, a time-honored Navy tradition. In addition to giving the command to bring the ship to life, Parsons also sang a solo, 'O Master Let Me Walk with Thee,' with Navy Band Northeast providing musical accompaniment.

Sampson was the commander

of the U.S. blockading and North Atlantic squadrons during the Spanish-American War of 1898. During the war with Spain, Sampson was in charge of the North Atlantic and conducted the blockade of Cuba, whereby the ships under his command completely destroyed the Spanish vessels of Spanish Adm. Pasqual Cervera as they attempted to escape from the harbor of Santiago.

Previous ships named Sampson were DD 63 (1916-1921), DD 394 (1938-1945) and DDG 10 (1960-1991).

The newest Sampson, which is 511 feet in length, 66 feet at its widest point, displaces 9,200 tons of water, and has a top speed in excess of 30 knots, will sail with 25 officers and 250 enlisted crew members aboard. The Sampson is expected to arrive in her home port of San Diego, Calif. later this year.

### Religious Services/ Base Chapel

#### Catholic

Daily Catholic Mass Mon. - Fri.  
5:30 p.m. (Main Chapel)  
Vigil Mass, Sat. 5 p.m. (Main Chapel)  
Sun. Mass, 7:30 a.m. (JTF-Troopers Chapel)  
Sun. 9 a.m. Mass (Main Chapel)  
**Protestant** (GTMO Chapel)  
Sat. 11 a.m. Seventh Day Adventist Service (Room B)  
Sun. 7 p.m. Filipino Christian Fellowship (Room A)  
8 a.m. Pentecostal Gospel Temple (Room D)  
9 a.m. LDS Service (Room A)  
10 a.m. Liturgical Service (Room B)  
11 a.m. General Prot. Service  
11 a.m. United Jamaican Fellowship (Bldg 1036)  
1 p.m. Gospel Service  
7 p.m. Iglesia Ni Cristo (Fellowship Hall)

#### Friday Religious Services

1:15 p.m. Islamic Service (Room C)  
7 p.m. Jewish Service (FMI call 2628)

### Religious Services/ JTF Troopers Chapel

#### Catholic Services

Wed. 11 a.m. Spanish Mass (New)  
Sat. 6:30 p.m. Vigil Mass (PPI Chapel)  
Sun. 7:30 a.m. Sunday Mass (New)  
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# GTMO NEX hosts annual

Story, photos by MC2 Kim Williams, NAVSTA Public Affairs

Mother Nature's week-long, rainy wrath subsided Nov. 3 in time for the Naval Station Guantanamo Bay Cuba (GTMO) Navy Exchange's (NEX) Customer Appreciation weekend events and sale.

Hundreds of base residents purchased \$665,000 worth of merchandise at the NEX's 'mother of all sales' making it the highest grossing NEX Customer Appreciation sale ever for the GTMO store.

The weekend's other events included musical performances, martial arts demonstrations and a 5K run.

Several vendors were on hand to educate consumers about their products.

"I visited the Asics shoe clinic to see if I am wearing the proper running shoes," said Aviation Mechanic (AW) 2nd Class Tinashe Chigumira. "It was pretty cool. I was informed by the rep that I have something called turned in ankles. He said that because of this, I need extra support in the arches of my feet," explained Chigumira. "I am going to try the type of shoe he recommended and see if it helps with my running," said Chigumira.

Store patrons were able to take advantage



*NEX patrons patiently wait in line for the store to open Nov. 3.*



*Bottom left: 'Side Swipe' demonstrates the acrobatics they are best known for. The group was recently featured on NBC television talent show 'America's got Talent.'*

of heavily discounted prices on electronics, clothing, personal care products and groceries. The NEX held several raffles throughout the weekend that awarded winners everything from vacation packages [for active duty servicemembers only], to NEX gift certificates, purses, electronics and even a motorcycle - courtesy of Harley Davidson.

"I won a \$500 gift certificate from the NEX," said Construction Electrician (SCW) 1st

Class Walter Gibbs. "I never did hear my name because I was in line getting ready to feed my face with free BBQ the NEX was serving," Gibbs added. "Someone from the NEX called my house and let my daughter Constana know that I needed to go to the Uniform shop area to pick up my gift certificate. I was totally surprised that I had won anything, especially a \$500 gift certificate," Gibbs added. "I believe my wife and daughter were more

# Customer Appreciation weekend



*Top left: Members of martial arts demonstration team 'Side Swipe' conduct a clinic with local children Nov. 3.*

*Bottom right: NEX 5K overall winners Wilfredo Turell and Mellissa Belleman accept their awards.*



excited about my win than I was because [I gave them the card] and let them use it to get an early start on buying Christmas [gifts]. The NEX Appreciation Event is a nice way to spend the day and get in on some really great sales deals, that's why I go every year," said Gibbs.

Performers for the weekend included martial arts organization 'Side Swipe' who displayed its acrobatic, martial arts to audiences

in the NEX atrium and at the Windjammer ballroom.

Side Swipe Sensei Sharkey John was excited about his visit to GTMO and expressed his gratitude for being able to perform at NEX Appreciation Weekend.

"I want to thank everyone at the base with their cooperation and help with everything. It is a great honor for the nine of us to be here," said John.



**Registration and License Plates:** All private motor vehicles and motorcycles at NAVSTAGTMO are required to be registered by their owner or the owner's agent at the Motor Vehicle Registration Office for identification and database entry. Additionally, before a private motor vehicle or motorcycle may be operated at NAVSTAGTMO, it shall be registered in accordance with all applicable provisions of this chapter at the Motor Vehicle Registration Office and be issued a Guantanamo Bay license plate and decals, or temporary license plate.

As per NAVSTAGTMOINST 11200.1, parking of any motor vehicle (including boats, boat trailers, jet skis) is PROHIBITED on the grass or yard areas in housing. Violators will be ticketed! MWR has space available for boat/trailer/jet ski parking at the McCalla field lot.

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**Obedience to NAVSTA Police:** No person shall flee from, attempt to elude or evade, or willfully fail to comply with any lawful order, direction or request given by a NAVSTA Police member acting in the execution of his office. All persons shall yield the right of way to an emergency vehicle responding to an emergency call. When approached by an emergency vehicle using flashing lights and/or sirens all other motor vehicles in the area without regard to direction of travel shall pull to the right side of the

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roadway as soon as safely possible, and shall remain there until the emergency vehicle has passed. The driver of an emergency vehicle when responding to an emergency call, in pursuit of a person suspected to have committed a serious offense, or when responding to (but not returning from) an emergency, shall use audible and/or visual signals and after notifying and receiving permission from security Dispatch.

**Child Safety Seats:** Except for passengers riding on buses not equipped

with seat belts, all children age four years and under, and not exceeding 45 pounds in weight, shall use an infant or child safety seat approved by the U.S. Department of Transportation, in a manner for which the seat was designed, while riding in any motor vehicle. No person may modify, remove, or disable any installed safety restraints, in order to avoid using it in compliance with this section, nor may any person operate a motor vehicle that has been so modified.

## Sailor of The Week



"I'm thrilled with the recognition for personal performance. I think this helps me to confirm that the Navy appreciates the importance of the weather forecasting functions that we carry out around the world every day."

**AG3 Stephen Padgett**  
Naval Aviation Forecast Component GTMO



### GTMO Spouses Club

Father and Son Croquet Tournament  
Nov. 18., 2 – 5 p.m. at 1101 Deer Point  
Tickets available at the NEX atrium  
Saturdays, 10 a.m – 2 p.m.  
FMI contact Harriet Johnston 77700





# Creature Feature: Green Moray Eel

Story, photo provided by José B. Montalvo, Natural Resources Manager, Environmental Department

The Green Moray Eel (*Gymnothorax funebris*) is the common moray often seen at GTMO by divers and occasionally hooked by unsuspecting anglers. Green morays are a uniform green color with no distinguishing markings other than a white chin on adults. Juveniles lack the white chin. This eel's color is a result of a yellowish mucous over the dark blue skin. The mucous is a protective covering that shields the eel from diseases and parasites. Green morays are found in the mid-Atlantic from New Jersey through Bermuda, the Gulf of Mexico, throughout the Caribbean and south to Brazil. These are among largest eels normally growing to more than six feet long and weighing approximately 30 pounds. The largest reported was eight feet and weighed 65 pounds.

Very little is known regarding green moray spawning however, morays do lay eggs. Upon hatching, the larvae, called leptocephali, are transparent and shaped like ribbons. They drift along the currents with plankton until they transform into juveniles. After the transformation from larvae, juvenile morays resemble adults.

Morays have large teeth with two rows in the front upper jaw, a set called vomerine teeth in the roof of the mouth, and a single row of teeth in the lower jaw. This formidable set of teeth, combined with their elongated and flattened body, is an adaptation for catching prey in the coral reef environment, where morays spend most of their lives. They are nocturnal predators who use their sense of smell to locate prey hiding among holes and crevices inside reefs. They can easily move throughout the entire reef system finding prey and then subduing prey with the large set of teeth. Morays feed primarily on fish, crabs and shrimp.

Morays may appear threatening to observers because they open and close their mouths frequently and expose their teeth. This behavior is actually an aid to breathing and not a threatening gesture. Morays are very sedentary with small gills



and low oxygen demands. When opening and closing their mouths, they are actually pumping water through their gills to pick up oxygen for breathing.

Green morays occupy a very high level in the food chain and have few, if any, natural predators. They are occasionally eaten by local human populations however, due to their level in the food chain and association with coral reefs, the risk for ciguatera poisoning from eating green morays is considered high. (Ciguatera is

a toxin that may be present in coral reefs and bio-accumulates in predators eating ciguatera-toxic prey.)

Most human interaction with green morays is SCUBA divers observing them in the reef. It is best to just observe them and not attempt to feed or make physical contact. Green morays have bitten people and when they bite, it is severe. Likewise, divers investigating holes and crevices with their hands may also be bitten.



## Boy Scout Can Drive

Saturday, Nov. 10, the Boy Scouts of Troop 435 want your cans and glass bottles. Please place your donations in a bag or box by the curb before 9 a.m. FMI or a special pick-up call 75815, Guy Belleman, Scoutmaster.

# Downtown Lyceum

## Sydney White

**Friday, Nov. 9**

**Mr. Woodcock**

7 p.m., PG, 88 min.

**Resident Evil**

9 p.m., R, 95 min

**Saturday, Nov. 10**

**Sydney White**

7 p.m., PG-13, 117 min.

**Halloween**

9 p.m., R, 109 min.

**Sunday, Nov. 11**

**3:10 to Yuma**

7 p.m., R, 117 min.

**Monday, Nov. 12**

**Balls of Fury**

7 p.m., PG-13, 90 min.

**Tuesday, Nov. 13**

**Death Sentence**

7 p.m., R, 105 min.

**Wednesday, Nov. 14**

**Resident Evil**

7 p.m., R, 95 min.

**Thursday, Nov. 15**

**Shoot 'Em Up**

7 p.m., R, 86 min.



*Comedy, PG-13 117 min*

*Cast: Amanda Bynes, Sara Paxton, and Matt Long.*

College freshman Sydney White has come to Southern Atlantic University to pledge her late mom's once-dignified sorority. But, while surviving the pledging process wrought by evil campus witch mean-spirited sorority president Rachel Witchburn, Sydney finds out this version of sisterhood isn't remotely what it's cracked up to be.

## Resident Evil



*Action/Adventure, Suspense/Horror, Adaptation & Sequel*

*Cast: Milla Jovovich, Oded Fehr, Mike Epps, Iain Glen, Ali Larter*

Alice, now in hiding in the Nevada desert, once again joins forces with Carlos Olivera and L.J., along with new survivors Claire, K-Mart and Nurse Betty to try to eliminate the deadly virus that threatens to make every human being undead ... and to seek justice.

## MWR Happenings

### SWIM ACROSS THE BAY

Nov. 17 at 6:30 a.m. Open to first 50 people to sign up!  
Participants should be intermediate or advanced swimmers  
PRE-SWIM: Nov. 16 at 6 p.m.  
Windjammer Pool  
FMI Call Anthony Roberts 2205 or 77919

### WHAT'S ON YOUR PROGRAM?

Army vs. Navy Flag Football Game  
Women's games begins at 7 p.m.  
Men's game begins at 8 p.m.  
both games will be held at Cooper Field Dec. 2  
Tail party kicks off at 2803 at Cooper Field. Prizes awarded all evening!!!  
FMI Sports Coordinator 2113

### FAMILY FUN DAY

Dec. 8 at the Windjammer Pool at 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Free food and drinks  
Floaties allowed, Iceberg and banana boat provided  
FMI Call Tony 2205 or 77262

### GET YOUR BOATS READY

Christmas Parade, Dec. 1,  
Mr. Johnny Grant w/Stephanie Powers; Wilmer Valderama fm 'That 70's Show'; Kate Linder fm 'Young and the Restless'; two Victoria Secret Angels; Kari Turner fm 'JAG'.

### CHRISTMAS PARADE

Christmas Parade and Concert  
Downtown Lyceum  
with Johnny Grant and Stephanie Powers  
6 p.m.

# GTMO Shopper

## For Sale

(2) Microwave, washer/dryer, other appliances and computer peripherals. FMI call 77116.

(2) Rockford Fosgate Car amplifier in like new condition. 200 watts 2 channel subwoofer amp with all manuals \$50. 1 Alpine 200 watt 2 channel subwoofer amp still in original packing. \$30. FMI call 77745 or 84184.

(2) Couch \$50, chair w/foot stool \$25, washer and dryer \$50, medical exam table \$100, heart rate monitor \$25 All prices negotiable. FMI 77398 or 3632.

(2) Washer and dryer; desk; toddler bed; lamps; couches; baby items and foose ball table. FMI call 75583.

(2) Sylvania television set 27 inch. \$75, OBO. FMI call 4989.

(2) Computer desk and a leather chair (great condition) for just \$50. Must sell by this weekend. FMI call 72112 or 77108.

(2) Selling: 51 inch projection TV with 2 media stands \$500 OBO. FMI call 77954.

(2) Retro: Blue Sofa and chair with matching end tables and coffee table \$400 (light blue and silver legs); 2 silver and natural bar stools \$85, Washer and dryer combination \$85. FMI call 75676 or 3500.

(1) Audiobahn car subwoofer 1500 watts, two 300 watts Sony 6x9 speaker; 2-channel Sony amplifier 1000 watts. FMI call 77879.

(1) 51 inch Projection TV. Asking \$350. Good condition. FMI call 77954.

(1) Car Stereo W/ 3x6 monitor watch DVD or video from the driver's seat \$225; Adam's golf irons steel shaft 3-PW lightly used \$175; Big Bertha's 3-PW RCH 95 Graphite shaft, New Grips \$200. FMI call 79506.

(1) Mountain Bike w/helmet \$75; Kitchen Table w/2 chairs \$100; W/D excellent condition \$300. FMI call 77988 or 9798.

(1) Rockford fosgate bass amplifier plus two subwoofers package deal for only \$350 OBO. FMI call 77232 or 8153.

(1) Washer & Dryer \$200, Dial up modems \$75. FMI call 77134.

(1) Glass top table with six chairs \$130; wooden rounded table \$35; In tables \$15; Whirlpool dryer

\$50; SCSI modem \$50 and Computer desk \$25. FMI call 75885.

(1) Heavy Duty Washer/Dryer set, \$300 for set, will also sell items separately. FMI call 9794 or 77806.

(1) Large couch (fair shape) \$25; Large CAL King Bed (fair shape) \$150; Bar stools \$10; Sofa Chair \$10; X-mas tree \$5; TV cabinet w/ drawers \$10; sm dresser \$5; CD/DVD rack \$7; toaster over \$5; luggage, various kitchen appliances, Desk with drawers \$15; Outdoor swing \$10; paintball gun, Fishing Pole holder \$15; Tackle boxes, Large shelving for garage \$10; Golf clubs \$7; takes all, Aluminum outdoor table \$10; clothing for men, women, girls, boys \$2; per bag. All items priced to sell and negotiable. FMI call 77502.

(1) Maytag Neptune high-efficiency washer and dryer, excellent condition, \$450 OBO. FMI call 75744.

## Employment

(1) Fleet and Family Support Center is looking for a Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Licensed Mental Health Counselor, or Licensed Marriage and Family counselor to work with couples, individuals, and families at the FFSC in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Please contact Patricia Williams at 4141 and /or Serco at [www.serco-na.com](http://www.serco-na.com) to apply for position.

(1) Ocean Enterprises is now taking applications for full and part time positions! Snorkelers and Scuba Divers encouraged to apply. Applications available at OE Dive Center or call 75336.

## Announcements

(1) Interested in meeting up with old shipmates stationed in GTMO? Know someone previously stationed in GTMO? Interested in joining the Guantanamo Bay Association? Visit [www.gitmobay.org](http://www.gitmobay.org) to find out how.

(1) W.T. Sampson Unit School, along with the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA), will join schools across the United States, the National Education Association (NEA)

and many other educational organizations in observing the 86<sup>th</sup> Annual American Education Week. It will be celebrated Nov. 11-17. This year's theme is, *Great Public Schools: A Basic Right and Our Responsibility*. The theme highlights the importance of bringing educators, staff, parents, students, and communities together in a unified effort to build great public schools. It reminds us about the responsibility we have to provide students with quality public schools so that they can grow, prosper, and achieve in the 21st century. American Education Week is a good time to remember the caring teachers, education support professionals, substitute educators, and involved community members and parents that make the difference in children's learning. Together, we're making great schools for children.

## Vehicles/Boats

(2) 50cc Milan/Vespa Scooter in good condition with 2 helmets and gloves. \$600 OBO willing to negotiate. FMI call 77745 or 84184.

(2) 96 Pontiac Sunfire, runs great, \$3500 OBO. Avail 11/19 FMI call 72440 or 77477.

(2) 2005 Chocolate V6 Automatic, KIA, Sportage 16,000 miles, like new. \$16,700 OBO. Full tank of gas, leather interior(tan), CD player, convertible fold flat back seat, camping tray, luggage rack, tinted windows, alarm with keyless entry and 4 doors. FMI call 75676 or 3500.

(2) Two new jetskis, 1200cc each, trailer and all extras, \$23,000 OBO. FMI call 77153.

(2) 2004 Bajaj Cheetak Scooter, 150 CC, manual transmission. Excellent running condition, comes with helmet, goggles, spare tire, & tool kit. \$2,000. FMI call 4814 or 75617.

(2) 1985 ford f-150 p/u LB 2X4 with an in-line 6 automatic trans.; truck in fair cond. \$1,200 OBO. FMI call 77350 or 75672.

(1) 2002 EZ-GO Golf cart. Good condition. New batteries, new seat covers, \$900. FMI call 79599.

(1) 1986 Cherokee Jeep, 4x4 manual trans. \$1300 OBO. FMI call 75591 or 4222.

(1) 1985 Dodge Truck, reliable

gtmo special. Ready Dec 6, \$900 OBO. FMI call 77954.

(1) 2000 Mitsubishi Galant, not a GTMO special, FMI call 77232 or 8153.

(1) 2002 EZ-GO Golf Cart. Excellent condition. \$1,500 firm. FMI call 75696.

(1) 1994 Nissan convertible. A must see / must sell. Many upgrades. New low profile tires. FMI 77502

(1) 2002 Motorcycle. Honda Shadow ACE 750 cc. Excellent condition and low miles. Title in hand. Will negotiate on price in order to sell. Goes in crate on Nov. 14. FMI 77502.

(1) 2002 Gas powered Golf Cart. Lots of spare parts and tires included. Large canopy included. First \$450 takes it. FMI 77502

(1) 2001 PT Cruiser (Limited), Power everything, sun roof, leather interior, good running condition, A/C. \$7,000 OBO. FMI call 77713.

## Need a Home

(1) 2 mini Dachshunds to good home. Purebred, 1 male (Frank) 4yrs old, 1 female (Beans) 3 yrs old, red, short haired, fixed, house broken and kennel trained. Approximately 15 lbs each. Must go together, they have never been apart. Not patient with small children. FMI call 75550.

## Yard Sales

Nov. 10—Caribbean Circle 07, 7 - 11 a.m.

Nov. 10—Caribbean Circle #40C, 7 - 9 a.m.

Nov. 10—Caribbean Circle #42C, 7 - 11 a.m.

Nov. 11—Knob Hill, #14A, 8 - noon.

**Sunday afternoon  
football  
at the Goat Locker  
1 - 9 p.m. Spon-  
sored by CPOA  
GTMO. Free food and  
sodas will be served!  
FMI: 84206**



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**L**ocal children and their parents braved the elements and participated in several Halloween events. The Joint Task Force First Class Petty Officer's Association sponsored a costume contest Oct. 31 at the NEX Atrium awarding prizes to the top three costumes.

W.T. Sampson High School's senior class also hosted a haunted house Oct. 25-27 at the Wine Cellar where volunteers suited up in their scariest costumes to entertain guests. *It was a SPOOKY good time!*