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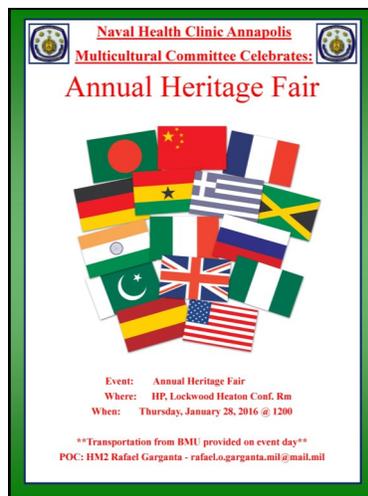
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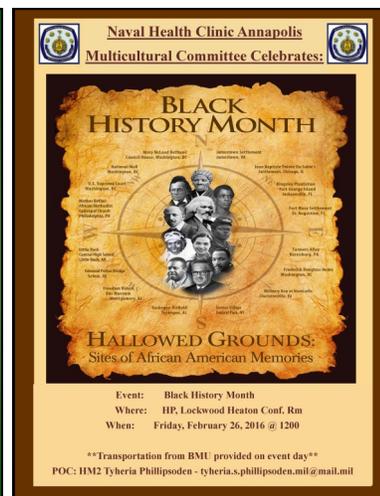
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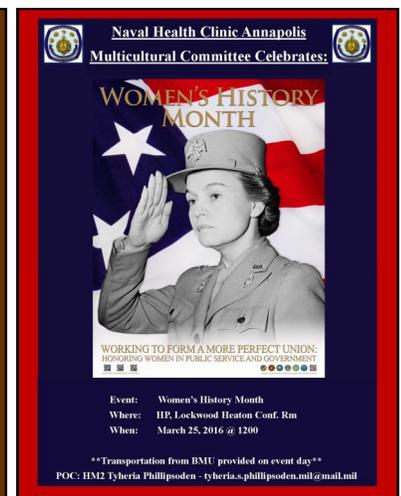
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Welcome to the Mosaic

Naval Health Clinic Annapolis is proud to display our diversity and heritage throughout the year. This quarterly newsletter engages our readers and promotes learning and growth, supplying a tool to stay current with what is happening in our Command's Diversity program. It displays articles to help enrich our readers lives, expanding their view of the world and its cultures. It covers the outstanding events that our Multi-Cultural Committee showcases as they host numerous observances to recognize the array of cultures, heritages and important historic occurrences throughout our nation's history. The Mosaic also highlights the Diversity program's outreach initiatives, capturing STEM events used to promote growth and assist in educating students in the subjects of science, technology, engineering and math. These volunteer efforts enrich our Command and community through education and support. The Command utilizes the Mosaic to broadcast and support all of these wonderful efforts. We are proud that our programs help embrace the unique cultures and rich diversity throughout our Command, the Navy, DOD and civilian communities we serve.

We hope you enjoy this issue and gain a glimpse into our diversity and culture here at NHCA and also around the world.



April is Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month (SAAPM). This year's theme is "Eliminate Sexual Assault: Know Your Part. Do Your Part."

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MCC Annual Heritage Fair

On Thursday, January 28th, 2016, the Multicultural Committee held their annual heritage fair in Lockwood Heaton. The Fair included displays for 10 heritages and one display representing Martin Luther King Jr. Day. These displays gave Naval Health Clinic Annapolis (NHCA) staff a chance to try food and learn about the various cultures that make up our diverse Navy. All of the posters, displays, and food were put together by our civilian and active duty staff from each of the six directorates at NHCA. The staff that designed each table was available to answer questions in reference to the culture and background that each display represented.

The various topics and cultures presented at the event consisted of a Martin Luther King Jr. Day presentation, a Scottish American Heritage display, an Italian American Heritage and Arab American Heritage table, a German American Heritage and Irish American Heritage table, a Polish American Heritage display and a Greek American Heritage table created by the Directorate for Brigade Medical, the Directorate for Public Health, the Directorate for Clinical Support Services, the Directorate for Healthcare Business Operations and the Directorate for Administration.

The event was a great success with more than 60 staff attending the event from the command. A lot of hard work and planning went into making this event a success and helped to contribute to raising awareness for the heritages that were not highlighted by the Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute (DEOMI), but important to the diversity of our Navy.



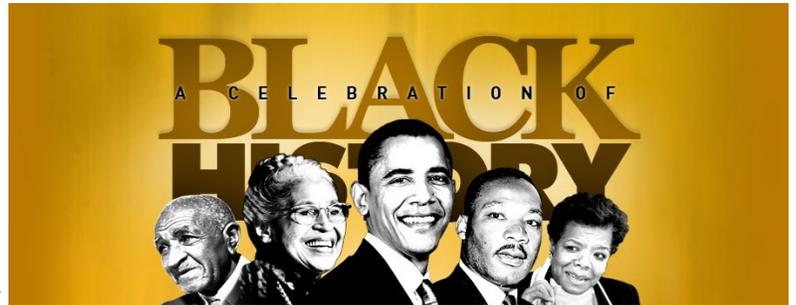
MCC Black History Event

This February, the Multi-Cultural Committee celebrated Black History Month. This month was a time to recognize the roles African Americans have played in our country.

During this event there were several speakers and presentations that highlighted the month and it's importance to the Navy. The Presidential Proclamation was read by HM3 Grant and a poem by

Maya Angelou, "The Million Man March," was dynamically read by HM2 Scott in support of this month's theme, "Hallowed Grounds: Sites of African American Memories." Our guest speaker Trena Byrd, the Curator of Education at the Banneker-Douglass Museum, presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding the history and site of the Museum.

Following the event a Letter of Appreciation (LOA) was presented to Trena Byrd by our Commanding Officer and Diversity Officer for her contributions toward enhancing diversity and heritage education at the Command. The event had a great turnout as guests in attendance totaled over 60 military and civilian personnel.



Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAPR)

Internationally, the month of April is recognized as Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month (SAAPM). Four local Commands participated in recognizing the impact that sexual assault has had in our military and our society at large. It is especially significant when considering the implications of sexual assault in a military environment.

In support of SAPR Month, Naval Health Clinic Annapolis, along with Naval Support Activity Annapolis and The United States Naval Academy, participated in multiple events during the month of April. These events included but not limited to a group 1.5 mile SAPR Run and several CAPT's Cup events along with the surrounding Commands. The events were exciting and brought much needed awareness to the subject of sexual assault prevention. The week was capped off with Naval Health Clinic Annapolis winning the year's trophy.



Another major event was the Joint Teal Ribbon Proclamation Signing which kicked off a month of awareness. The Commanding Officer of Naval Health Clinic Annapolis, CAPT McGinnis, joined the Superintendent of the U.S. Naval Academy and the Commanding Officer of Naval Support Activities Annapolis to jointly proclaim April as Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month. The event was also an opportunity to recognize SAPR Victim Advocates for their commitment to Sexual Assault Prevention and Response.



NHCA First Class Petty Officer Association Blanket Drive

A Blanket Drive for the Homeless was conducted by the Command's First Class Petty Officer Association from January to February 2016. One hundred and eight new blankets were purchased with donations from NHCA staff and handed out to the homeless and needy in the Anne Arundel County area.

On February 25th, 2016, the Association visited six homeless shelters in the County and distributed blankets to the Patriot House, which is the first transition house of its kind specifically for homeless veterans. Those receiving the blankets were very appreciative of their efforts, and the shelters welcomed them with open arms.

The Association members conducted this outreach event in uniform on behalf of the command and all photos can be viewed on their website at: <https://nhcafcpoa.wordpress.com/naval-health-clinic-annapolis-first-class-petty-officer-association-fcpoa-blanket-drive-distribution-mission/>



Dental Showcase at Branch Health Clinic Lakehurst, NJ

Branch Health Clinic Lakehurst Diversity Team partnered with Naval Support Activity Lakehurst's Child Development Center to celebrate National Dental Children's Health Month.

On February 19th and 26th, 2016, 13 adults and 46 children, age two months to four years old, visited the Lakehurst Dental Department to participate in two outreach events. HN Richard Jeune read a short story, which provided the children with information on what to expect when visiting the dentist. HM3 Kevin Sanchez-Shafer and HN Okief Robb escorted the children into the dental exam rooms, allowing the children to pretend to be a patient by sitting in the dental exam chairs. They provided instruction on the proper techniques for brushing teeth and general dental hygiene practices geared toward their respective educational level.

The children demonstrated the tools they learned by practicing on a tooth model. Other staff participants were LCDR Park, HM1 Ribot, HM2 Alexander-Reaves, HM2 Bond, HM2 Colon, and HM3 Dark. These events enhanced relationships between Branch Health Clinic Lakehurst Staff and Naval Support Activity Lakehurst's Child Development Center, while supporting the Command's Diversity Program community outreach initiatives.



Woman's History Month



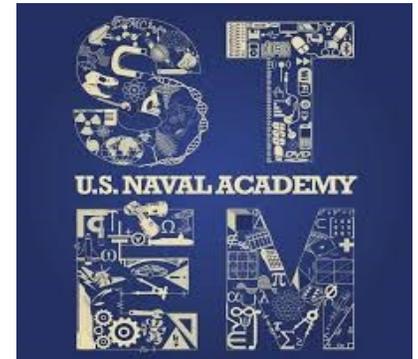
The NHCA Multicultural Committee held an event for Women's History Month in Lockwood-Heaton on March 25th, 2016. The event highlighted the importance of women in service and showcased some of the command's own female leaders. It's theme was "Working to Form a More Perfect Union: Honoring Women in Public Service and Government."

The event was kicked off by Master of Ceremonies HM2 Jackson, who gave the opening remarks, followed by the reading of the Presidential Proclamation and Navy Message by HM3 Varney and HN Hendley. Guest speakers from the command were Captain Patrice Bibeau, HM1 Sara Whipple, and Ms. Lola Ford. These women presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding each of their journeys throughout their Naval Careers. Five minutes of the slide show presentation was used to honor other famous women in history and the women.

HM1 Whipple's mother's uniforms were showcased to show what women wore in the past while serving in the U.S. Navy. It was a great addition to a wonderful program that had 60 attendees.



USNA National Eagle Scout Association (NESA) STEM Merit Badge Jamboree



NHCA Diversity Council led 11 Corpsmen and one IDC in support of a National Eagle Scout Association (NESA) STEM Merit Badge Jamboree at the United States Naval Academy. Diversity Council STEM coordinators, HM2 Alicea and HM2 Olmos, organized and executed classes consisting of two teams of volunteers that educated 44 Eagle Scouts on basic medical knowledge, Hospital Corpsman and provider relationships, the importance of privacy in medicine, and new medical technology advances to help them earn their Medical Merit Badges.



USNA Girls Only STEM Day

United States Naval Academy (USNA) Girls Only Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Day for Middle School Girls was March 5th, 2016. Two-hundred and forty middle school girls participated in hands-on activities in a wide range of STEM fields. Students rotated through STEM modules, learning the engineering design process and real-world applications of science and math. The event was part of an on-going effort to encourage young women to pursue education and careers in STEM. The Naval Health Clinic Annapolis Diversity council's HM3 Grant, HM3 Collier, and HN Lopez assisted the Command's Health Promotion Educator, Ms. Susan Hennessey, in presenting nutritional training for the young women and their parents at the event.



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