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**NAS Pensacola's Bayou Grande Marina
Earns Clean and Resilient
Environmental Award**



PENSACOLA, Fla. – Commanding Officer of Naval Air Station (NAS) Pensacola Captain Chandra “Mamasan” Newman presented recognitions to the Northwest Florida Clean Boating Coordinator Eric Best and Bayou Grande Marina personnel onboard NAS Pensacola during a ceremony June 2, honoring the marina’s outstanding commitment to environmental stewardship and sustainable operations. The recognition followed a series of environmental achievements that positioned Bayou Grande Marina as a model recreational boating facility within the Navy. Through diligent conservation efforts, pollution prevention initiatives and responsible waterfront management practices, the marina’s staff demonstrated an unwavering commitment to protecting the natural resources that make Pensacola’s waterways unique.

Among the 2,800 marinas operating in Florida only 30 have achieved the Clean and Resilient Marina designation as of January 2024 according to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). The Clean Marina Program (CMP) encourages marina facilities to achieve clean and resilience designations by implementing a state of criteria designed to protect human life, promote safety, mitigate exposure of structures on water and land to damage, reduce exposure of boats to damage, minimize damage to property that cannot be relocated and resume business operations as quickly as possible.

During the presentation, Newman commended the marina workforce for their dedication to environmental excellence and their efforts to promote responsible boating practices among military members, retirees and their families.



“Environmental awareness is not just a requirement, it is a responsibility we owe to future generations of Sailors and the communities who live here,” said Newman. “The Bayou Grande Marina team has embraced that responsibility and transformed it into a culture of excellence that is extremely evident throughout this area.”

Over the past year Bayou Grande Marina personnel implemented several initiatives designed to reduce environmental impact including enhanced recycling programs, proper hazardous material handling procedures, boater education efforts and measures aimed at protecting local wildlife and water quality.

Newman added “The recognition received by Bayou Grande Marina reflects countless hours of hard work behind the scenes. This team has proven that operational excellence and environmental responsibility go hand in hand and their accomplishments set the standard for others to follow across the Navy.”

For the marina staff, the award represents more than a single accomplishment: it reflects years of dedication to maintaining a safe, clean and environmentally responsible recreational facility for the Navy community. The "Clean and Resilient" pennants flown by the marina represent the highest designation possible within the Clean Marina Program in Florida.

Bayou Grande Marina continues to serve as one of NAS Pensacola’s premier quality of life programs, providing boating, fishing and waterfront recreation opportunities while demonstrating that environmental stewardship and mission support can go hand in hand. For more information on the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, visit the agency’s website at <https://floridadep.gov>.

NAS Pensacola Sailors Recognized at Quarters



Left: Master-at-Arms 2nd Class Zachary Sanchez is awarded Junior Sailor of the Quarter for First Quarter 2026. Right: Operations Specialist 1st Class Diana Mason is awarded Senior Sailor of the Quarter for First Quarter 2026.



Left: Master-at-Arms 2nd Class Brandon Johnson is awarded Junior Sailor of the Quarter for Second Quarter 2026. Right: Master-at-Arms 1st Class Drue Patrick is awarded Senior Sailor of the Quarter for Second Quarter 2026.



Left: Master-at-Arms 3rd Class Marisol Huddleston is awarded a Letter of Appreciation after a successful tour onboard NAS Pensacola. Right: Capt. Chandra "Mamasan" Newman, commanding officer, addresses NAS Pensacola security personnel.

NAS Pensacola Civilian Employees Recognized at Public Works Department



*Left: Mr. Jon Stewart is recognized for his contributions to Public Works Department.
Right: Ms. Nelya Turner is recognized for her contributions to Public Works Department.
Their efforts helped maintain installation infrastructure, ensuring NAS Pensacola mission
success.*

NAS Pensacola Sets the Standard with Successful Explosives Safety Inspection



PENSACOLA, Fla. — Naval Air Station (NAS) Pensacola and 21 of the installation's tenant commands recently completed a highly successful Explosives Safety Inspection (ESI), reinforcing the installation's commitment to operational readiness, regulatory compliance, and the safety of its personnel and the surrounding community.

Led by NAS Pensacola's Explosives Safety Officer Dan Buechler, the comprehensive

on-site evaluation verified that the air station's ammunition and explosives operations

meet the strict standards mandated by the Department of War (DoW).

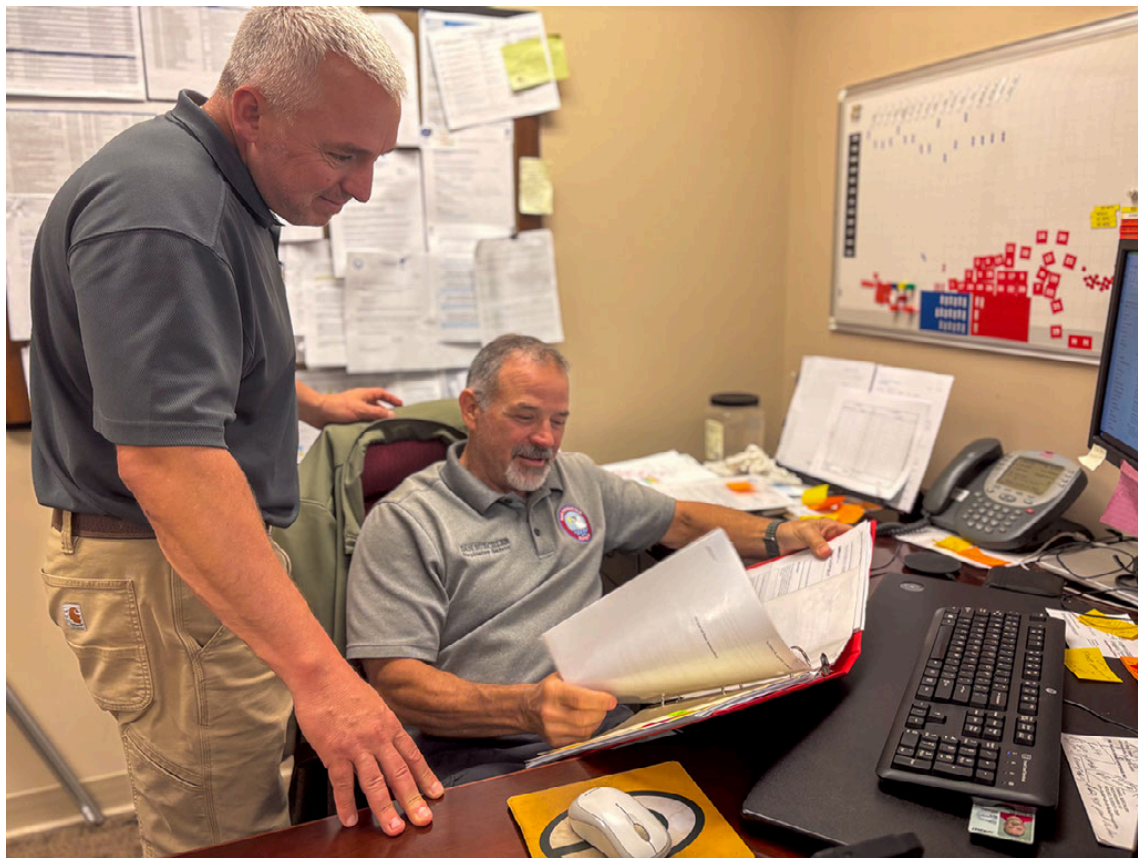
"The cardinal rule of explosives safety is to expose the minimum number of people to

the minimum amount of explosives for the minimum period of time consistent with

efficient and safe operations," said Buechler. "It's great to see those mitigations in action

all across the base."

An Explosives Safety Inspection is a rigorous, top-to-bottom assessment designed to identify potential hazards early, prevent accidents, and ensure facilities adhere to strict safety criteria. By evaluating how military and civilian personnel handle, store, transport, and dispose of explosives, the ESI minimizes risks to protect personnel, property, and the public.



Naval Air Station (NAS) Pensacola Explosives Safety Officer Dan Buechler, right, discusses procedures for the installation's Explosive Safety Inspection (ESI) with air station Safety Specialist John Cillo, June 4. The ESI is a comprehensive on-site evaluation verifying an installation's ammunition and explosives operations meet the strict standards mandated by the Department of War (DoW).

“During the inspection, we focused on ten main areas of evaluation,” Buechler said. “By ensuring personnel adhere to accountability, distance, material compatibility, facility infrastructure and safety protocol and training standards, we maintain a safe environment with minimal explosive risk.”

These standards are designed to manage explosives-related risks associated with DoW operations and installations by providing protection criteria to minimize serious injury, loss of life, and damage to property.

“The stellar results of this inspection are a direct reflection of the command-wide commitment to this rule, proving that safety and mission efficiency go hand-in-hand,” said Buechler. “Congratulations to the entire NAS Pensacola team and all participating tenant commands for their hard work, professionalism, and dedication to keeping our station safe and mission ready.”

Naval Air Station Pensacola, known as the "Cradle of Naval Aviation," supports operational and training missions for several tenant commands, including Naval Air Technical Training Center, Naval Aviation Schools Command and Center for Technical Training. The installation also hosts Marine Aviation Training Support Group 21 and Marine Aviation Training Support Group 23 and serves at the headquarters for Naval Education and Training Command. In addition to an active runway, the installation maintains a deepwater port supporting operations for the United States Coast Guard.

NAS Pensacola Commanding Officer Recognizes NMCRS Civilian for 20 Years of Service



Capt. Chandra "Mamasan" Newman, Naval Air Station (NAS) Pensacola's commanding officer, presents a letter of appreciation to Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS) Relief Services Assistant Amanda Shadden recognizing her 20 years of service, June 5. Located in NAS Pensacola's 142-year-old Symington Building, NMCRS provides a variety of services, including financial and educational assistance to Sailors, Marines and their families.

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- How will the threat impact your home?
- Is your home susceptible to flooding?
- What is your evacuation zone?

Have A Plan

- Does your emergency kit contain:
 - 3 days of non-perishable food per person
 - Medication
 - Drinking Water
- Are your valuables documented in your insurance policy?
- Do you have a communication plan with your family?

Protect Your Family

- Stay indoors away from the elements
- Take cover, secure your doors and be ready to evacuate if necessary
- Continue to track the storm and adjust your plan accordingly



The 2026 Atlantic Hurricane Season runs from June 1 through November 30. Know your risk, have a plan and update accountability and contact information. Make sure to stay up to date with local weather forecasts this hurricane season and stay safe.



June 2026

MWR HAPPENINGS

NAS PENSACOLA MWR
450 Radford Blvd. Bldg. 4143
(850) 452-3806

All MWR events, programs & classes are available to all MWR eligible patrons

POP UP PLAYDATES

Water Play at Ski Beach
John Towers Rd. • Bldg. 3487
June 11 & 25 • 10am-Noon
Beat the Heat!
(850) 281-0134

NAS LIBRARY

250 Chambers Ave • Bldg 634
Mon-STEAM Story time @ 10am
Tues-Tots & Tunes
Story time @ 10am
(850) 452-4362

SPECIAL EVENTS



Summer Splash
NEW DATE Sat, Jun 27 11am-2pm
at the Barrancas Ballfields
• Giant Water Slides
• Water Fun Zone
• Bubble Zone
• Toddler Play Area
• And more!
Food & beverages available for purchase
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JUNE 1

Summer Reading Program

Read every day this summer to earn incentives at NAS Pensacola Library! Go to: pensacolalibrary.beanstack.org/ Themed activities at the library all month-call to sign up (850) 452-4362

JUNE 18

Feelin' Crafty Craft Night

Mustin Beach Club • 6-8pm
Make a resin jewelry dish • Snacks & drinks provided • 20 person limit • Sign up at Tickets & Travel • \$20 (850) 452-6354



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SAT, JUNE 13 | 11AM-1PM | SKI BEACH
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JUNE 5

National Trails Day

All Day - FREE

Enjoy nature on the trails at Blue Angel Park and Ski Beach! Check out the NATURE TRAILS page under the FITNESS tab at navymwrpensacola.com (850) 452-6354

JUNE 24

American Sign Language Learning Group

Corry Crow's Nest • 4pm
No Sign ups necessary-FREE
Join anytime.
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JUNE 9

Blue Angels Watch Party

Ski Beach • 10am
Watch the Blue Angels Practice. Open to DoD cardholders. Equipment rentals 1st come, 1st served. FREE Pavilion reservations available contact Ski Beach: (850) 281-0134

JUNE 25

Squat Competition

Wenzel Fitness Center @ Corry Station • 3pm
Want to show off your lower body strength? Compete and claim your bragging rights! (850) 281-0134

JUNE 10

Smartphone Photography Workshop

6pm
Mustin Beach Club Roundabout
Unlock your phone's hidden "pro" features on this guided MWR walking tour!
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JUNE 27

Fishing Charter

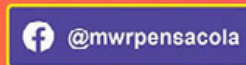
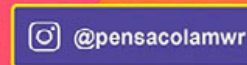
Sabine Marina
715 Pensacola Beach Blvd
5:45am-Noon
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JUNE 1-14, 2026

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REC & LAP SWIM

Sunday 1200-1800

Wednesday 1200-1800

Friday 1200-1800

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
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Corry Station Pool

Chiefs Way, Bldg. 3735, Pensacola, Florida 32508

REC & LAP SWIM

Tuesday 1200-1800

Thursday 1200-1800

Saturday 1200-1800

SPLASH PAD

Closed and under repair
until further notice.

Barrancas Beach

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Friday 1200-1800

Saturday 1200-1800



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POP-UP PLAYDATE

BEAT THE HEAT!



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THURSDAY
JUNE 11 & 25
WATER PLAY AT
SKI BEACH
10am-Noon

John Towers Road
Bldg. 3487
NAS Pensacola

Bring your bathing suits, towel & sunscreen. Subject to change or cancel for inclement weather.

Locations will vary on NASP & Corry Station

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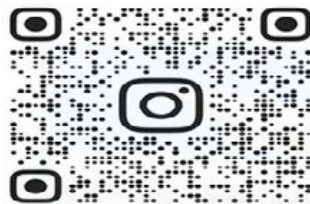
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<h1 style="margin: 0;">The Beacon</h1> <p style="margin: 0;">Call 850-452-5990 to Register for Workshops</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-weight: bold;">12 June - 10 July 2026</p>	
<p style="background-color: #003366; color: white; padding: 5px;">Relocation Assistance Classes:</p> <p>Pre-Deployment July 1 from 0900-1000 Preparing families before deployments.</p> <p>First Move July 9 from 1130-1330 Open to everyone who will be moving. Terminology explained and all questions answered.</p> <p>Welcome to NAS Pensacola: Your Guide to Military Life /Base Tour July 10 from 0800-1200 Whether you're a newly married couple navigating military life for the first or a seasoned family familiar with deployments and PSC moves, this class is designed for you! Service members and spouses will gain valuable insights into the nuances of military life, with a special focus on the spouse's role and support systems. We'll even provide a handy dictionary of military acronyms to help you decipher the lingo! Join us and make the most of your time at NAS Pensacola to include a Base Tour.</p>	<p style="background-color: #003366; color: white; padding: 5px;">Transition Assistance/Employment:</p> <p>My Employment June 15 & 16 from 0800-1530 This workshop presents a comprehensive overview covering best practices in career employment, including learning interview skills, building effective resumes, and using emerging technology to network and search for employment.</p> <p>Vocational Track June 17 & 18 from 0800-1530 The purpose of this training is to provide you with information and a range of tools and resources to help you evaluate your career options and gain the necessary training or credentials needed to pursue your vocational career goals.</p> <p>Ten Steps to a Federal Job/Interviewing Skills July 8 from 0800-1200 Attendees will receive information on creating both federal and civilian resumes. Review different types of Federal Employment Hiring Preferences and Special Hiring Authorities as well as when to apply them respectively. They will also learn tips and tricks on how to make their best first impression before, during and after their interview.</p> <p>Intro to SkillBridge July 8 from 1300-1500 Interested in the DoD SkillBridge program, or unsure of what it is? Sign-up to attend this 2-hour class that will teach you what the program is, who is eligible, and how to apply.</p>
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<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; margin: 0;">FLEET AND FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER NAS PENSACOLA</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;">  (850) 452-5990  facebook.com/FFSCPensacola  </div>	



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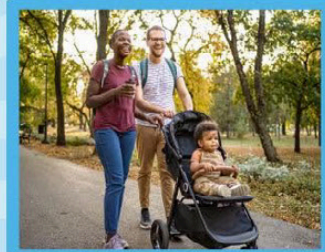




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Contact Info

Phone: (850) 452-5168

Email: Pensacola_Housing@us.navy.mil

Hours: 0800-1700, Monday through Friday

Located in the first building on the right just inside the Main Gate (**Bldg. 735**). Call/email with any questions or come by any time!



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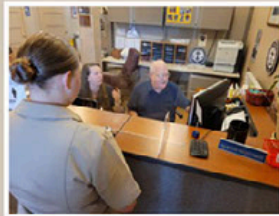
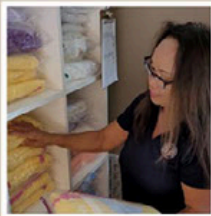
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Founded in 2019, the United States Naval Community College (USNCC) offers online asynchronous (without live classes) off-duty college education programs to active duty junior enlisted Sailors and Marines. The USNCC also serves both active duty and reserve Coast Guard service members. The USNCC will develop warfighters across the force who are committed to lifelong learning, are steeped in Naval traditions and values, have sound leadership qualities and ethical decision-making ability, possess improved critical thinking and technical skills and have a deep understanding of the complex maritime environment in which they operate.



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