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NTTC Change of Command

Courtesy Story
NAS Meridian Public Affairs

Naval Technical Training Center Meridian held a change of command ceremony Friday, Dec. 5, 2025, onboard Naval Air Station Meridian. Commander Daniel Walker was relieved by Commander Lynn M. Wall during the ceremony.

Walker has served as the commanding officer of the schoolhouse since June 2024. NTTC Meridian is the Navy's primary training facility for enlisted administrative and supply schools. Approximately 3,500 Navy personnel graduate from the school annually.

Commander Lynn M. Wall enlisted in the Navy in 1992 as an Undesignated Seaman Recruit, before striking Yeoman in 1994. During her 14 years as an enlisted Sailor, she completed several fleet and staff tours in Norfolk, Virginia, and served on the staffs of both Commander, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command and Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet in Hawaii.

In 2006, she was selected for commission as an Administration Officer via the Navy's Limited Duty Officer program. Commander Wall is a graduate of Kaplan University.

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Photo by MC2 Molly Tice

CDR Lynn M. Wall is saluted into position as Naval Technical Training Center (NTTC) Meridian Commanding Officer by CAPT Dana Chapin, commanding officer, Center for Service Support, during the NTTC change of command ceremony at the Naval Reserve Center onboard Naval Air Station Meridian Friday, Dec. 5.

Commissioning



Photo by MC2 Molly Tice

Air Traffic Controller Chief Dominik Herman was promoted to Ensign during a commissioning ceremony at the Naval Reserve Center aboard Naval Air Station Meridian Friday, Dec. 5. During the ceremony Herman was pinned and covered by his wife and son.

Welcome, School Liaison!



NAS Meridian welcomes a new School Liaison, Kathy Dean. She can be contacted at 601-679-2473 or by email at virginia.k.dean.naf@us.navy.mil. Her office is located in NAS Admin Building 255, second floor, room 239. A Navy School Liaison is a vital link between military families, local schools, and installation leadership, helping military kids navigate educational challenges from Pre-K to 12th grade, especially with frequent moves (PCS), deployments, special education needs, and college prep, ensuring they get consistent support and opportunities despite the military lifestyle.

● **NTTC**

Wall's first officer assignment was as the Educational Services Officer, Personnel Officer, and Ship's Secretary aboard the USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74) in Bremerton, Washington, where she also earned her Surface Warfare Officer qualification.

In 2009, she reported as the Executive Officer, Staff Enlisted Personnel, Administrative Officer, and Assistant Flag Secretary for Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet. Following this assignment, she reported to Commander, Navy Personnel Command in 2012, where she served as the Administrative Officer for Enlisted Distribution Division (PERS 40). During this tour, Commander Wall deployed as an Individual Augmentee to Isa Air Base in Bahrain where she served for a year, providing administrative support to hundreds of Sailors, Marines, Airmen, and Soldiers forward deployed to the Middle East. Upon her return from Bahrain, she served as the Enlisted Shore Special Programs Branch Head.

In 2015, she transitioned to the staff of Commander, Navy Region

Northwest where she served as the Manning Officer and later as the Flag Secretary and Executive Officer, Staff Personnel. In April 2018, she was assigned as the Executive Assistant to the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Military Personnel Plans and Policy) and was by-name-requested to serve as the Flag Secretary and Staff Executive Officer to the Chief of Naval Personnel.

In November 2020, Commander Wall reported as the Administration Officer aboard the USS George Washington (CVN 73) in Newport News, Virginia, until September 2022 when she transitioned to serve as the Director of Administration for the Secretary of the Navy. Here, she oversaw a team of Sailors, Marines, and civilians in the handling of the Secretary's executive and legislative correspondence.

Her personal awards include the Meritorious Service Medal (four awards), the Joint Service Commendation Medal, Navy & Marine Corps Commendation medal (six awards), the Joint Service Achievement Medal (two awards), and the Navy & Marine Corps Achievement medal.



Photo by MC2 Molly Tice

CDR Lynn M. Wall reads her orders, designating her as the Naval Technical Training Center (NTTC) Meridian Commanding Officer, during the NTTC change of command ceremony at the Naval Reserve Center onboard Naval Air Station Meridian Friday, Dec. 5.

U.S. Navy recovers F/A-18F, MH-60R aircraft lost from USS Nimitz

By **Stefano D'Urso**
The Aviationist

The U.S. Navy has successfully recovered the F/A-18F Super Hornet and the MH-60R Seahawk that crashed just 30 minutes apart on Oct. 26, 2025, during routine flight operations from the USS Nimitz. The Commander, 7th Fleet mentioned in the press release that both aircraft were recovered at a depth of 400 feet on Dec. 5.

The successful recovery came a little over a month after the two aircraft were lost. This is in contrast with the three Super Hornets lost in the Red Sea, which the service has not yet recovered.

However, the context in the two cases is different. Leaving the two aircraft in the South China Sea, even if badly damaged, might have provided China with valuable insights about the two U.S. platforms, thus making their recovery a priority.

The Navy first acknowledged the ongoing salvage operation in mid-November, when Breaking Defense first reported about an emailed statement by the service. "The U.S. Navy has begun mobilizing units that will be used to verify the site and recover the F/A-18 and MH-60R aircraft lost off USS Nimitz (CVN 68) in the South China Sea, Oct. 26," U.S. 7th Fleet Public Affairs Officer Commander Matthew Comer said.

Later that month, Navy Times reported about the service confirming that "USNS Salvor (T-ARS 52), a Safeguard-class salvage ship operated by Military Sealift Command, arrived on location on Nov. 12 to conduct recovery efforts." The same Navy statement said, at the time, "Recovery efforts are still ongoing."

The USNS Salvor is specifically designed for the salvage of stranded vessels, rescue and assistance, recovery of submerged objects, and manned diving operations. For the recovery of submerged objects, the ship is equipped with a 7.5 ton capacity boom forward and a 40 ton capacity boom aft, but it can also conduct dynamic 150 ton and 300 ton lifts using the main bow or stern rollers either independently or in unison.

In the latest press release, the service explained the recovery effort was conducted



Photo courtesy Air Station Barbers Point Public Affairs

Military Sealift Command Safeguard-class salvage ship USNS Salvor (T-ARS 52), one of the vessels involved in the recovery operations.

by Commander, Task Force 73 (CTF 73); Task Force 75; the Naval Sea Systems Command's Supervisor of Salvage and Diving (SUPSALV); and CTG 73.6's Mobile Diving and Salvage Unit. The Navy employed a contracted Vessel of Opportunity, equipped with a government-owned, contractor-operated unmanned system, to lift and recover the aircraft.

"This recovery was a true Navy team effort across CTF 73, SUPSALV, Task Force 75, HSM 73, VFA 22, and our Mobile Diving and Salvage Unit," said Lt. Cmdr. Christopher Andersen, the CTF 73 officer who led the salvage mission. "Everyone involved brought critical expertise ensuring we could safely and successfully bring these aircraft back under U.S. custody. This operation highlights the importance of naval integration, readiness, and the unmatched capability of our salvage and diving teams."

The service said that all recovered aircraft components are being transported

to an undisclosed designated U.S. military installation in the Indo-Pacific region for detailed analysis. The incidents remain under investigation, and the recovery of the components could be critical to determine the causes of the two crashes.

As we previously reported, on Oct. 26, 2025, an MH-60R Seahawk and an F/A-18F Super Hornet from the USS Nimitz crashed into the South China Sea just 30 minutes apart. Five personnel, three on board an MH-60R Sea Hawk, and two in the F/A-18F Super Hornet, were recovered safely by the carrier group's search and rescue assets.

The MH-60R Seahawk, operated by Helicopter Maritime Strike Squadron 73 (HSM-73), went down into the South China Sea first at approximately 2:45pm local time. At the time of the incident the helicopter was engaged in routine operations from the USS Nimitz (CVN 68) aircraft carrier, which currently leads Carrier Strike Group 11 (CSG

11). Around 3:15 pm local time, just half an hour later, the F/A-18F Super Hornet from Strike Fighter Squadron 22 (VFA-22) crashed into the sea after both pilots ejected from the aircraft. The circumstances that led to the crew's decision to eject have not been confirmed.

The USS Nimitz is now on the last leg of what is expected to be its final operational deployment. The oldest aircraft carrier in the U.S. Navy's fleet, the USS Nimitz departed in March 2025 for a routine deployment to the Indo-Pacific.

The carrier has also spent some time within the Fifth Fleet area of responsibility, making a port call in Bahrain in August. After the port call, the carrier sailed towards the Pacific, heading through waters contested by the People's Republic of China, and is back home, after arriving in San Diego, California, on Dec. 7, 2025.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Nov. 22 - Jan. 4: Winter Wonderland. During the holiday season, the Mississippi Children's Museum – Meridian transforms into a magical Winter Wonderland! Bring the whole family for festive crafts, reindeer workshops, and plenty of seasonal fun. Go sock skating in the Snowflake Village exhibit, write your very own letter to Santa, and enjoy a visit with Santa himself!

Nov. 23 - Dec 31: Trees of Christmas at Merrehope. Monday-Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Sunday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Adults \$15, Military & Senior Citizens \$10, Students \$5. Experience the Wonder at the 57th Annual Trees of Christmas at Merrehope, where 70 stunning trees and exhibits transform the historic 20-room mansion into an elaborate holiday showcase. With each room uniquely styled by talented designers, visitors are immersed in a world of creativity, beauty, and holiday spirit. Experience the Wonder through ever-changing, thoughtfully curated displays that draw thousands of guests from across Mississippi, the United States, and around the world.

Nov. 27 - Dec. 28 from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. – Lazy Acres in Lights! Experience the most amazing interactive Christmas light display in the south. Take a 17-minute wagon ride through Christmas light scenes, visit Santa in the Barn, Stomp the lights at Dancer's Disco Deck, and play on our giant jumping pillows. New for 2025 is Santa's South Pole Workshop, a 5,000 square foot indoor Christmas village. Be sure to savor the flavors from Mrs. Claus' kitchen and take home a timeless treasure from Mississippi's largest selection of personalized ornaments in our gift shop.

Dec. 13 from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. -- Merry at the Museum. Bring on the holidays at MCM-Meridian's annual Merry at the Museum celebration! On Saturday, December 13th, join us as we spark the holiday spirit. From festive live music and enchanting performances to mouth-watering bites and elevated cocktails, you won't want to miss this opportunity to make merry and celebrate the season. Dress to impress and join us for an unforgettable night of festive fun!
Festive cocktail attire • Jacket required
Must be 21+ to attend

Dec. 16 at 7:30 p.m. -- Leslie Odom Jr. at MSU Riley Center. Fresh off a three-month Broadway return this fall to the role of Aaron Burr in the musical "Hamilton," Leslie Odom, Jr., will bring holiday cheer to the MSU Riley Center. "Hamilton" won the singer, songwriter, and actor both a Tony Award and a Grammy Award. Odom also earned a 2024 Tony nomination as the title character in "Purlie Victorious." His performance as legendary singer Sam Cooke in the film "One Night in Miami ..." brought him an Academy Award nomination. He has showcased his creamy voice, which can soar from a rich baritone to an effortless falsetto, on five albums, two of them Christmas themed. This captivating crooner will fill your heart with holiday spirit.

Dec. 19 from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. -- Merry Ale Trail. 'Tis the season to sip and stroll! Join us for the Merry Ale Trail in Downtown Meridian. Enjoy festive drinks, delicious bites, and holiday cheer as you visit participating downtown locations. Gather your friends, wear your festive best, and come celebrate the holidays downtown. Complete the trail for a chance to win great prizes! Kick off your adventure at Fare on Eighth where you'll pick up trail card. The final stop is the City Hall Lawn. You must arrive by 9:30 PM to turn in your completed trail card. Door prizes will be called at 9:45 PM sharp. You must be present to win. **Participating Locations Include:** Aie's Taste Of Thai, Aura 5, Boxcar Rooftop Restaurant, Brickhaus Brewtique, Don P's "Taste of the Bayou", Fare on Eighth, Harvest Grill, Meridian Underground Music, Queen City Cigar, Spacey's, The Island 601, Threefoot Brewing, and Weidmann's.

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ROAD PREP FOR WINTER WEATHER

As the temperatures drop, so does your tire pressure. Inspect your tires at least once a month and before road trips. Pay close attention to the tread and sidewalls for any cuts, punctures, or bumps. Do the same for your spare tire.



Maintain your vehicle throughout the year. This includes having your vehicle inspected, checked for general wear and tear, and levels topped off. An especially important item to ensure is operating correctly for the Winter months is the HVAC system.

In 2020, an estimated 119,000 police-reported crashes occurred in wintry conditions.



Always have a plan. Check weather reports. Let others know when you leave.

Batteries lose power in the cold. Have your vehicle's battery and electrical systems checked during your inspection.

Stock your car with an emergency roadside kit, which includes things like an ice scraper, flashlight, jumper cables, warning devices, blankets, an extra cell phone, charger, water, snacks, and whatever else may help you if you get stuck.



You may dress your children in a big winter coat and strap them into the car seat. This could interfere with their secureness to the seat. You can pick thin, warm layers, and put a blanket on top of them for extra warmth.

Information from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

navalsafetycommand.navy.mil

Sale... Or

HOMES/APARTMENTS

For Sale by Owner: Located in Rainbow Lakes on the main lake, two-story, 3 BD, 2 1/2 BA, 3,500 sq ft home with large double garage. Fireplace with gas logs upstairs and downstairs. Lots of storage space in the attic, basement kitchenette, boathouse, gazebo, seawall and deck. All appliances and large generator remain. Call 601-917-7568.

For Rent: 3 BD/2 BA. West Lauderdale School District. No HUD, Renter is responsible for all utilities, 1 year lease, \$1700 a month, \$1700 deposit. Contact 662-694-1696

For Rent: 2 BD/1 BA, 600 sq. ft. Rent is \$1275/Month with a \$1275 Security Deposit. Rent includes an 8x11 Storage Unit, In Unit Stackable Washer/Dryer, granite countertops and Stainless Steel appliances. Pets are negotiable. No Smoking. Contact Rhonda at 601-488-1963

For Rent: 3 BD/2 BA, 1100 Sq. Ft. Rent is \$1425/Month with a \$1425 Security Deposit.

Rent includes an 8x11 Storage Unit, In Unit Stackable Washer/Dryer, granite countertops and Stainless Steel appliances. Pets are negotiable. No Smoking. Contact Rhonda at 601-488-1963

For Rent: 2 BD/1 BA unfurnished home in North Hills. Available May/June. Call 601-504-5415.

For Rent: 3 BR/2 BA home in a quiet family neighborhood comes with all appliances (incl. W/D), and is convenient to NAS Meridian, schools, shopping, activities and major employers in the area. Outside, there's a large fenced yard with patio and an attached 2-car garage with keypad entry. All electric with central AC/heat. Contact Leslie Turner, 601-527-4670 to view. See Zillow listing for more information and to submit applications. Rent \$1,750 per month.

For Sale: 3 BD/4 BA home with 2965 sq ft of lake view home in beautiful, gated Lake Eddins in Pachuta. Entertainer's kitchen with huge eat at bar. Brick floors in main living areas, all new floor covering in remaining areas, total remodel. Gor-

geous brick w/natural cypress home, 2 car garage w/bonus room. Asking \$299,900. Will include additional lot on water for fishing/boat storage w/asking price. Call 601-720-1420.

For Sale: 2275 sq ft 3BR/2 BA with attached 2 car garage built in 1996 on appx 1.15 acres. New roof and fresh paint in August 25. Seperate 25x30 detached garage. Covered front porch. Nice covered back patio with new ceiling fans. Located 5 miles to Clarkdale school, 5 miles from I-20 and a 20-25 minute drive to NAS. Contact: Marsha Boyken 601-917-3900 Hours

For Rent: 1 BD/1 BA. Entire House in North Hills District. Listed on AIRBNB or can book direct. Daily or weekly rates plus cleaning fees. Contact: 601-504-5415.

MISCELLANEOUS

Event Space for Rent: Deer Creek Banquet Hall. 6000 sq. ft. indoor with 1600 sq. ft. outdoor spaces for rent for gatherings and events. Call Reginald at 251-455-1559.

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Submission deadline is the Wednesday prior to production.
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USS Oklahoma Sailors and Marines Honored on 84th Anniversary of Pearl Harbor

By Lauren Matakas Arita
Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and
Intermediate Maintenance Facility

As part of the annual commemoration of the attack on Pearl Harbor, the U.S. Navy and the National Park Service held a ceremony at the USS Oklahoma Memorial on Ford Island Dec. 7, 2025, honoring the Sailors and Marines who were aboard USS Oklahoma (BB 37) on the “day that will live in infamy.”

Every year, the U.S. Navy and the National Park Service jointly hold a variety of commemoration events on the anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor. Events memorialize those that lost their lives that day and honor the survivors of the attack.

During the ceremony, Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility Commander Capt. Ryan D. McCrillis, remembered those who died that day.

“Although 84 years have passed, it is vital we keep their memory alive, to remember the impact of their lives and their deaths,” McCrillis said. “As we move further away from the events of that day, it may be tempting to think of the men of Oklahoma simply as a group – a statistic, rather than fathers, sons, husbands, friends, with stories unfinished. A group of dedicated people, who had chosen to serve in the U.S. Navy and U.S. Marine

Corps, each far from home, with their own dreams and aspirations - with lives as unique, wonderful, and complicated as our own.”

PHNSY & IMF participates in the annual ceremony honoring Oklahoma and her crew due to their linked and solemn history.

Just before 8 a.m. on Dec. 7, 1941, the Japanese military attacked Pearl Harbor where 100 warships and auxiliary ships were docked as part of the U.S. Pacific Fleet. The crew of Oklahoma, a Nevada-class battleship, had been preparing for an inspection and had opened all the doors and hatches. In just 12 minutes, torpedo fire caused the ship to take on water, and the open doors and hatches made the ship flood faster than if they had been closed. The attack caused the ship to capsize and turn upside down with more than 450 crew on board.

The Sailors and Marines tapped on the hull and yelled to let responders know they were still in the ship. Knowing that they could help, workers from the Navy Yard (now Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard) grabbed their equipment and their tools to figure out how to cut into the steel hull of the overturned Oklahoma. Using their skills, developed while maintaining the same ships that were just attacked, shipyard workers were able to rescue 32 people who otherwise would have been lost.

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Photo by Lauren Matakas Arita

PCU Oklahoma (SSN 802) and Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility representatives bow their heads for a moment of silence at the USS Oklahoma Memorial, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Dec. 7, 2025. Pearl Harbor Navy Yard workers helped to save 32 Sailors and Marines from Oklahoma on the day of the attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941. PHNSY & IMF’s mission is to keep the Navy’s fleet “Fit to Fight” by repairing, maintaining, and modernizing the Navy’s fast-attack submarines and surface ships. Strategically located in the heart of the Pacific, it is the most comprehensive fleet repair and maintenance facility between the U.S. West Coast and the Far East.

U.S. Navy and Marine Corps, Malaysian Armed Forces conclude CARAT 2025

By Lt.j.g. Camillia Nguyen
Commander, Destroyer Squadron 7 Public Affairs

U.S. Navy Sailors and U.S. Marine Corps Marines reunited with the Royal Malaysian Navy in Lumut, to execute Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training (CARAT) Malaysia 2025, Dec. 4-10, 2025.

At the weeklong exercise, members participated in subject matter expert exchanges (SMEEs), community relations events (COMREs), and a sports day to boost camaraderie ashore. Representatives from Marine Rotational Force – Southeast Asia (MRF-SEA) led a staff exercise to simulate an integrated staff with participating units.

Over three days at sea, Independence-variant littoral combat ship USS Cincinnati (LCS 20) and Royal Malaysian Navy Lekiu-class guided-missile frigate KD Lekiu (FFG 30) sailed in formation and conducted numerous drills including communications drills, simulated air defense exercises, formation sailing, and deck landing qualifications within the Strait of Malacca to enhance regional

stability and interoperability to promote a free and open Indo-Pacific.

“In this critical area of Southeast Asia, our partnership with the Royal Malaysian Navy is vital to developing the necessary capabilities to defend the maritime environment in the Indo-Pacific region,” said U.S. Navy Capt. Matt Cox, deputy commodore, Destroyer Squadron (DESRON) 7. “Collaborating closely with our counterparts in these complex exercises enhances our joint training and interoperability as well as deepens our friendship.”

In addition to Cincinnati and KD Lekiu, CARAT Malaysia 2025 saw participation from a U.S. Navy multi-mission maritime patrol and reconnaissance aircraft P-8A Poseidon, assigned to Patrol Squadron (VP) 4; U.S. Marines from Fleet Anti-Terrorism Security Team – Pacific and MRF-SEA; and personnel from DESRON 7, the U.S. 7th Fleet Band, and Commander, Task Force (CTF) 75.

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Photo by Sgt Mitchell Johnson

U.S. Navy Sailors assigned to Explosive Ordnance Mobile Unit (EODMU) 11 and Royal Malaysian Navy (RMN) explosive ordnance disposal (EOD) technicians prepare a demolition range during Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training (CARAT) Malaysia 2025 in Lumut, Malaysia, Dec. 8.

Recruit Training Command Graduates Final Class of FY 2025, Achieves Highest Production in a Decade

Courtesy Story
U.S. Navy Recruit Training Command

NAVAL STATION GREAT LAKES, Ill – The final training group of Sailors who arrived at U.S. Navy Recruit Training Command (RTC) during the Navy’s record-breaking year for recruiting, training and retaining Sailors, graduated from basic military training, commonly known as “boot camp,” during a ceremony at Naval Station Great Lakes, Dec. 4, 2025.

With the graduation of Training Group 52, more than 42,000 Sailors completed initial training during Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25), marking the highest production year for RTC in the past decade—an increase of 10,000 Sailors over last fiscal year.

Today, more than 46,000 Sailors are enrolled in courses throughout the Navy’s accession pipeline to increase mastery of their craft before joining the fleet in defense of the nation. This level of force development is the highest in 20 years, sustaining a battle-ready force that is built to fight and win at sea. Every month, more and more of these

Sailors report to commands around the globe.

“Future Sailors arrive at RTC, leaving home for the first time, taking that first critical step into the world seeking adventure,” said Capt. Ken Froberg, commanding officer, Recruit Training Command. “As these men and women mature through boot camp, they realize they are capable of so much more by embracing our professional values of honor, courage and commitment. It really is amazing week-to-week to see these new Sailors graduate and embark on their own journeys with our Navy, unified by a strong warrior ethos. I know the watch is in good hands!”

This milestone coincides with U.S. Navy Recruiting Command surpassing its FY25 recruiting goal for active component Sailors, beating its active duty, enlisted goal by nearly 3,500 future Sailors.

Recruit Division Commanders (RDC) are responsible for training new recruits during boot camp.

“Being an RDC has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my career,” said Master-at-Arms First Class Selena Barragan.

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Photo by MC2 Stuart Posada

Rear Adm. Matthew Pottenburgh, commander, Naval Service Training Command (center), Capt. Kenneth Froberg, commanding officer, Recruit Training Command (RTC) (right) and Navy Club of the United States Military Excellence Award winner Seaman Yazmine Gaines ring a ceremonial bell during Recruit Training Command’s Pass-In-Review in Midway Ceremonial Drill Hall Nov. 20.

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December -
25 Days of Holiday Spirit

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Notes
1 Letters to Santa Start Dec 1!	1 Christmas Tree Decorating Contest Begins	2 Gingerbread House Decorating Contest @ Liberty**	3 Join the fun, don't be late - deck your office, decorate! Story Time @ Library	4 **Cookie Class @ Liberty	5 Tree Lighting	6 Breakfast with Santa @ Rudders	Christmas Tree Decorating Contest: Enter for a chance to win a \$25 Commissary gift card! Take a photo of your Christmas Tree and post it to our Social Media! Winner will be announced on Dec. 19th. Holiday Spirit Contest: Enter to win a \$25 Commissary gift card! all you have to do is show the most Holiday spirit! Join in on as much fun as this calendar provides, and post your pics on our social media page! The person who posts the most, wins! Winner announced on Dec 29th. Instagram Facebook
7 Take a ride or stroll so bright, to see the Christmas lights tonight!	8 Door Decorating Contest Starts @ Liberty**	9 Find a friend, & come along, time to groove to Santa's songs!	10 Sparkle bright, shine merrily - don your festive jewelry!	11 Treat yourself it's quite the thrill, hot chocolate's made to warm and fill!	12 *NAS Meridian Holiday Party @ Lakeside Liberty Holiday Party**	13 Sleigh the day, self care's here to stay!	
14 Do a good deed and give where there is a need!	15 Last Day to Send Your Letter to Santa!	16 Cookies for Sailors Drop Off	17 Cookies for Sailors Delivery	18 Red and green, full of glee, an elf is what you'll be!	19 Winner Announced of the Christmas Tree Decorating Contest	20 Spread all the Christmas cheer, by telling a kind thing to hear!	
21 Share the cheer and leave your best Holiday memory here!	22 Why dress in fortune and fame, when you can dress like a candy cane!	23 No one's better, OWN that ugly sweater!	24 Christmas Eve!!!	25 Christmas Day!!!	26 Santa's gone the morning's done, now enjoy the treasures won!	27 The season is through, it's time for you - to rest, relax, refresh anew!	
28 Out with the old, in with the fun! What's your resolution everyone????	29 Winner Announced of the Holiday Spirit Contest	30 Book Swap @ Housing Community Center	31 Gear Up For New Years! Story Time @ Library	2026			
		Questions about this calendar? Call/Email Kasie at 601-679-2360 or kasie.d.mcinnis.naf@us.navy.mil		*NAS Meridian Holiday Party is Restricted to NAS Meridian Staff Only		**Liberty events are open to single and unaccompanied active duty military personnel only	

Christmas Tree Decorating Contest
 From Dec. 1st until Dec. 18th

To Enter:
 Take a photo of your decorated tree and post it to the FFSC social media pages!
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Winner Announced on December 19th!

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Join in on as much fun as the FFSC Holiday Calendar has to offer! Take pictures of your Holiday Spirit and post them in the comments of that day's prompt post! We look forward to seeing everyone enjoy the holiday festivities!
 Scan the QR Codes to Post

Holiday Spirit Contest
 From Dec. 1st until Dec. 28th

Winner Announced on December 29th!

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		5:05 Ruck Jenni		
9:15 HIIT Jenni	9:15 Lower Body Strength Jenni	9:05 HIIT Jenni	9:05 Upper Body Strength Jenni	9:05 FIT Friday (NOFFS @ Bureau Office) Jenni
1:00 Circuit Training Jenni			11:00 Total Body Jenni	
	12:00 YOGA Jenni			

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HIT is workout that consist of short energy burst followed by quick recovery
 Total Body Strength: a workout that works lower and upper body and core
 Lower/Upper Body Strength: workouts that are done using machines and free weights to increase muscle strength
 Circuit Training: a workout that consist of multiple workout stations that are rotated through during the workout

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