



Media Advisory

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All Hands on Deck

Navy Sailors Help Out Community, Civic Organizations During Fargo Navy Week

U.S. Navy sailors will be serving meals, baking dog tag cookies and teaching kids about health in the military during Fargo Navy Week, Aug. 8-14, 2011. Media representatives are invited to cover the following events –

Monday, August 8

1 p.m. – Fargo Parks & Recreation

901 Oak Street North, Fargo

Sailors will be helping Fargo Parks & Rec personnel spread playground fibers for the new Mickleson Fastpitch Complex Playground. Local Contact: Dave Leker, Director of Parks, 701-866-4503, dleker@fargoparks.com.

Tuesday, August 9

10:30-11:30 a.m. – Sanford Children's Hospital, Navy Caps for Kids

801 N Broadway, Fargo (park near north entrance)

Rear Admiral Patricia Wolfe will present ball caps from Navy operational commands to kids in Sanford Children's Hospital. Through its Caps for Kids program, the Navy Office of Community Outreach helps distribute caps and Navy memorabilia from more than 500 commands, including ships, submarines, squadrons and Navy personnel to kids in hospitals all over the country. Local Contacts: Wendy Iwerks, Child Life Specialist, 701-234-6847, wendy.iwerks@sanfordhealth.org; Darren Huber, Public Relations Specialist, 701-234-6215, darren.huber@sanfordhealth.org.

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Wednesday, August 10

12:30 p.m. – TNT Kids Fitness & Gymnastics

2800 Main Avenue, Fargo

Sailors will speak to kids in TNT's No Bummer Summer Program and the Fargo Youth Commission's summer program about health and healthy eating in the military, then guide them through various physical activity stations. Local Contact: Nate Hendrickson, Special Needs & Kids Fitness Director, 701-365-8868, nate@tntkidsfitness.com.

Thursday, August 11

10:30 a.m. – Navy Day at Children's Museum at Yunker Farm

1201 28th Avenue North

Sailors will assist children in airplane coloring and cookie dog-tag-making activities. Local Contact: Yvette Nasset, Children's Director, 701-232-6102, ynasset@hotmail.com.

Friday, August 12

4:30 p.m. – Ronald McDonald House

1330 18th Avenue South, Fargo

Sailors will be helping Ronald McDonald House staff with miscellaneous maintenance projects from 4:30-6 p.m., then grill with Ronald McDonald House residents and volunteers from 6-7:30 p.m. Local Contacts: Ruth Hagel, House Manager/Volunteer Manager, 701-232-3980, ext. 202, 701-388-3275, ruth@rmhcfargo.org; Jill Christopher, Executive Director, 701-232-3980 (o), 701-412-7130 (m), jill@rmhcfargo.org.

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