



# Borinquen Beacon

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## Memorial Day



Memorial Day is a solemn day of mourning, a sacred day of remembrance to honor those who paid the ultimate price for our freedoms. It was originally called Decoration Day; it commemorates all men and women who have died in military service for the United States. There are many stories as to its actual beginnings, with more than 25 cities and towns laying claim to being the birthplace of Memorial Day. It is really not important who was the first to establish the holiday, what is important is that Memorial Day was in fact established and people came together to honor those who gave their all.

“And I'm proud to be an American, where at least I know I'm free, and I won't forget the men who died, who gave that right to me and I'll proudly stand next to him to defend her still today, 'cuz there ain't no doubt I love this land, god bless the USA”. -Lee Greenwood

*Happy  
Memorial  
Day*



# Ramey PTSO News



## Thank You Volunteers

This is a huge thank you that goes out to everyone who has helped in ANY way this year at Ramey. We couldn't make Ramey such a wonderful school without all of your help. Whether you brought something in, helped in a classroom, helped with picture day, or even attended our book fair. We are a better school because of you. Thank you so much for all of your support.

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## Used Uniforms



If you have outgrown your uniforms, or are changing from brown shirts to green shirts, please consider donating your gently used uniforms to the PTSO. Just bag them up and drop them at the office or at the library on base. We will have a used uniform sale in July at the base li-

brary. Used pieces will be priced at \$3.00/ piece, a considerable savings to buying new. Thank you so much for your generosity and for doing your part to recycle!



### Dates to Remember:

May 25: Early Childhood Awards, 8:30

May 26: Senior Awards 11 a.m.

May 28: No School, Memorial Day

May 30: Senior Graduation

June 1: Grade 8 Promotional Ceremony

## Have YOU done the survey yet?

DoDEA schools introduced a new attendance policy this year. To gauge levels of awareness, effectiveness and satisfaction with the new DoDEA attendance policy, DDESS/DoDDS-Cuba has developed a voluntary, anonymous poll for all stakeholders (students, teachers, parents, sponsors, military leaders, etc). The online poll will be available until May 31st and just takes five minutes to complete. The data from the poll will be used to see if revisions to the current policy is needed. PLEASE take the opportunity to tell DoDEA what you think about the new policy. The attendance policy is available on the DoDEA website and the poll is available at <https://www.research.net/s/789HM97>. Thanks in advance for all of your participation.



### **If you are PCS'ing this summer:**

You will need to get your school records before you go. The school needs the request two weeks in advance, in writing, to give them time to prepare the records. Please mark this on your calendars or put your order in early, so you will have these important documents to give your child's new school..



# Ramey Library

## *Soulless: The Parasol Protectorate* by Gail Carriger

Carriger debuts brilliantly with a blend of Victorian romance, screwball comedy of manners and alternate history. Prickly, stubborn 25-year-old blue-stocking Alexia Tarabotti is patently unmarriageable, and not just because she's large-nosed and swarthy. She's also soulless, an oddity and a secret even in a 19th-century London that

mostly accepts and integrates werewolf packs, vampire hives and ghosts. The only man who notices her is brash Lord Conall Maccon, a Scottish Alpha werewolf and government official, and (of course) they dislike each other intensely. After Alexia kills a vampire with her parasol at a party—how vulgar!—she and Conall must work together to

solve a supernatural mystery that grows quite steampunkishly gruesome. Well-drawn secondary characters round out the story, most notably Lord Akeldama, Alexia's outrageous, italic-wielding gay best vampire friend. This intoxicatingly witty parody will appeal to a wide cross-section of romance, fantasy and steampunk fans.



## Library Hours

Friday, May 25: 1-3 pm

Sat/Sun: Closed

Mon, May 28: 2:30-5:00 pm

Tues., May 29: 9-11, 2:4:30 pm

Weds., May 30: 10am - 2 pm

Thurs., May 31: 2:30-4:45 pm

Friday, June 1: 1-3 pm

## Book Club Hiatus until September



We have had a great response to book club so far. The next book is *Outlander* by Diana Gabaldon. It was **reviewed in last week's Beacon. It is a very long (but great) book**, so while you are traveling this summer, give it a read. We will resume regular meetings on

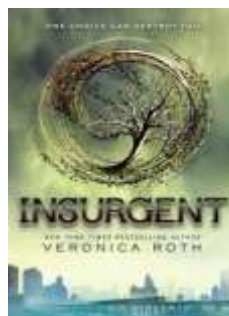
September 20th after all of the transfers take place. Make sure to tell any families you are sponsoring that we have a great book club and it is a fun way to meet new people. The online and our library both have copies of this book.

## Here are some more of our new titles....

*Insurgent* - Veronica Roth

*Wrinker* - Jerry Spinelli

*100 Cupboards* - N.D. Wilson



May Wellness Observances:

Arthritis Awareness Month:  
[www.arthritis.org](http://www.arthritis.org)

National Physical Fitness and Sports Month:  
[www.fitness.gov](http://www.fitness.gov)

Mental Health Month:  
[www.mentalhealthamerica.net/go/may](http://www.mentalhealthamerica.net/go/may)

Healthy Vision Month:  
[www.nei.nih.gov/healthyvisionmonth](http://www.nei.nih.gov/healthyvisionmonth)

Melanoma/Skin Cancer Detection and Prevention Month:  
[www.melanomamonday.org](http://www.melanomamonday.org)

National High Blood Pressure Education Month:  
[www.nhlbi.nih.gov](http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov)

## Clinic Corner

The clinic will also be closed May 28 for Memorial Day. The Duty HS can be reached at (787) 307-7456 to address your health care concerns.

## Don't Fry Day

Summer is coming, and it's a great time for fun in the sun for you and your family. The National Council on Skin Cancer Prevention has designated May 25, 2012 as "Don't Fry Day." FDA is helping to spread the word on sun safety. Learn more about how to protect your skin at [www.fda.gov/ForConsumers/ConsumerUpdates/ucm049090.htm](http://www.fda.gov/ForConsumers/ConsumerUpdates/ucm049090.htm)

## Help Snack Attacks by Planning Ahead

Do you have sweets and chips lying around your office? Do you often indulge in these foods because **they're easy to access and you've forgotten to pre-plan your snacks?** Pre-planning snacks can help prevent you from snacking on unhealthy options. To pre-plan start by developing a grocery list of healthy **food options (listed below)**. **Bring the healthy options to work so next time you're "snack attacked"** you can satisfy your urge with healthy guilt-free snack options.

- ◆ Boxes of raisins, Unsalted nuts, Carrots sticks, Celery sticks, Light or low-fat yogurt, Fruit, Low-fat microwave popcorn, Low-fat granola bars, Low fat cottage cheese, Natural applesauce, Hummus, Animal Crackers, Dried fruit.



## Vaccination Clinic

USCG Air Station Borinquen

Saturday June 9<sup>th</sup> 2012 0900-1500 and Sunday June 10<sup>th</sup> 2011 0900-1200

Location: Base Gym

Open to all Active and Retired Military Personnel, National Guard, Coast Guard, FBI, Reservists, and DOD civilians

Services offered include:

- Canine and feline vaccinations, including rabies tags and certificates
- Heartworm testing
- Feline leukemia / feline immunodeficiency virus testing
- Flea and Tick prevention products
- Monthly heartworm / intestinal parasite prevention products
- Health Certificates – Don't forget for your PCS!

All walk-ins are welcome Please call 787-707-2038 with questions  
Sorry, but we can only accept cash or check



# La Casita Ceramic Shop

(787)890-8400 ext. 8878



Starting Tuesday, JUNE 5<sup>th</sup>....

Mondays: (Boys and Girls Club Only) 1:30pm-3:00pm

Tuesdays: 11:00am-3:00pm

Wednesdays: 11:00am-3:00pm

Thursdays: 4:00pm-7:00pm

Fridays: 6:00pm-9:00pm

Saturdays: CLOSED

Sundays: CLOSED

June 7, Ladies Night 4pm-7pm. **Calling All Girls!!** Get 20% off all pottery and **FREE** hors d'oeuvres. **Bring Your Own Beverage.**

June 15, Live, Laugh, Paint 6pm-10pm. (Adults Only) Enjoy different styles of recorded comedy while painting with friends. Bring Your Own Beverage and a friend or two for a night of living, laughing and painting!

June 20, FREE Technique Class 11am-12pm. Learn a new, fun method of painting- Easy and Quick Marbleizing. Sign up at Ceramic Shop or MWR by June 18, space is limited.

June 26, Orphaned Pottery Sidewalk Sale 11am-3pm. No time to paint? Need a last minute gift? For sale at great low prices creative and unique finished pottery pieces left behind by other accidental artists.

June 29, CLOSED.

## Swim Lessons

Session 1: June 4 - June 15

Session 2: June 18 - June 29

Session 3: July 2 - July 13

(Pro-rated 5 class session due to 4th of July)

Session 4: July 16 - July 27

Classes will be on Monday, Wednesday and Friday between 9:00-10:00am, 10:00-11:00am or 11:00-12:00am.

Course	Members	Non-Members
Parent & Child Aquatics	\$25.00	\$45.00
Levels 1-6	\$30.00	\$50.00

For information or to sign up call Rachel at (787)890-8496



*Congratulations to all participants in the inaugural Kids Triathlon on Ramey Base!*

Your commitment & participation made this event a great success. All of you did wonderfully and showed great sportsmanship.

First, I would like to extend a Thank You to everyone involved and all the volunteers & personnel who helped out before, during, or after the triathlon. This event would not have been possible without you! Because of your devotion, we were able to assist the participating junior triathletes with guidance, much needed hydration & medical attention all within a secure and safe environment.

Last but not least, I would like to express my gratitude towards the MWR office and staff for granting me the opportunity to organize and run this event, as well as providing the necessary assistance via funding and use of their equipment.

I hope everyone had a good time and are looking forward to subsequent events!

Once again, Congratulations to all!!!

Regards,

Jessica

# LA PLAZA THEATER

## FRIDAY



### PUSS IN BOOTS

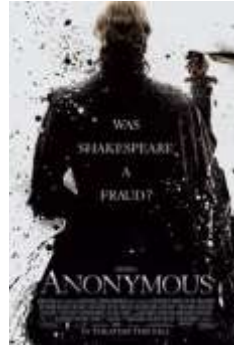
*Antonio Banderas and Salma Hayek*

6:30 PM

Long before he even met Shrek, the notorious fighter, lover and outlaw Puss in Boots becomes a hero when he sets off on an adventure with the tough and street smart Kitty Softpaws and the mastermind Humpty Dumpty to save his town.

Rated PG: for some adventure action and mild rude humor

Runtime: 90 minutes



### ANONYMOUS

*Rhys Ifans and Vanessa Redgrave*

8:30 PM

Set in the political snake-pit of Elizabethan England, "Anonymous" speculates on an issue that has for centuries intrigued academics and brilliant minds such as Mark Twain, Charles Dickens, and Sigmund Freud, namely: who actually created the body of work credited to William Shakespeare?

Rated PG13: For some violence and sexual content

Runtime: 146 minutes

## SATURDAY



### JACK AND JILL

*Adam Sandler and Katie Holmes*

6:30 PM

Jack Sadelstein, a successful advertising executive in Los Angeles with a beautiful wife and kids, who dreads one event each year: the Thanksgiving visit of his identical twin sister Jill. Jill's neediness and passive-aggressiveness is maddening to Jack, turning his normally tranquil life upside down.

Rated PG: For crude and sexual humor, language, comic violence and brief smoking

Runtime: 91 minutes



### THE RUM DIARY

*Johnny Depp and Aaron Eckhart*

8:30 PM

Tiring of the noise and madness of New York and the crushing conventions of late Eisenhower-era America, journalist Paul Kemp travels to the pristine island of Puerto Rico to write for a local newspaper, The San Juan Star. Adopting the rum-soaked life of the island, Paul soon becomes obsessed with Chenault, the wildly attractive Connecticut-born fiancée of Sanderson.

Rated R: For language, brief drug use and sexuality

Runtime: 90 minutes



## Youth Basketball 2012

Season Starts July 30, 2012.

More information to follow  
in the next issue



# AIRSTA Borinquen Boy Scout Troop 253 Eagle Scout Project

**WHO:** Project Coordinator – Life Scout Stevie

**WHAT:** Troop 253 is seeking community support for an Eagle Scout project. This project consists of a 4 foot high chain-link fenced area approximately 160 x 140 feet with a 10 x 10 foot meet/greet area.

**WHERE:** Dog Exercise Park to be constructed in the playground / park area at Circle F.

**WHY:** The Dog Park will provide exercise for dogs and their humans in a safe area free from cars, stray dogs/cats, and allow them a space to run off-leash.

**WHEN:** Working toward project completion by August 2012

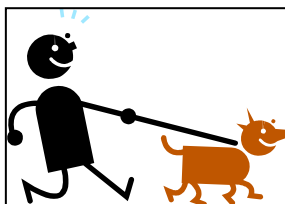
**HOW:** You can help with donations of money and/or labor. Troop 253 will host work days when actual construction will take place. We are soliciting donations for materials. Please consider how you can take part in this important project for our community.

**CONTACT:** To pledge support please contact Stevie or by Chaplain's phone

## MONETARY DONATIONS:

\*Checks can be made to Parents Committee Troop 253.

Let's go from this...



To this!!



For Sale/Rent

**FOR SALE:** 2001 Land Rover Discovery II, white, 4-wheel drive, leather interior, sunroof, a/c, good tires. Comes with Thule roof racks and makes a great beach car. Some body rust, but engine runs great. 80,000 miles, asking \$5,900.

**FOR SALE:** 36 in Sony WEGA TV (HDTV) \$100.00, TV stand \$100.00, kids outdoor monkey bars \$20.00, outdoor storage box (Rubbermaid) \$50.00, futon \$75.00, 17in LCD computer monitor \$25.00, 15in LCD computer monitor \$20.00, LG Beach umbrella (excellent condition) \$20.00, 2 small 5000 BTU window air conditioner w/ remote \$50.00ea, 12,000 BTU window air conditioner w/ remote \$50.00 & FREE 15 ft. Trampoline.

**FOR SALE:** 1993 4WD ISUZU Rodeo – Good condition. Runs well. 120K miles, power steering, brakes, windows, etc. \$2500 or best offer. Available first week of June.

**FOR SALE:** Generator: Power Pro 5500 13 HP. Excellent condition-used two times \$400, Dishwasher-portable GE Nautilus-works great-does all the hard work for you \$125.

**FOR SALE:** Joovy Caboose Ultra light Double stroller- perfect for summer travel! Retails in Puerto Rico for \$290. Used at most a dozen times. Red and black with additional seat cushion and mom drink and cell phone holder. \$150 OBO.

If interested please contact the MWR Office  
 During normal working hours  
 @ 787 890 8400 ext 8894

For Sale/Community

**FOR SALE:** Available June 10th, Portable dishwasher \$80 and a med size dog carrier, \$10.

**FOR SALE:** Surfboards custom Balsa twin fin fish, FCS with stomp pad 6'2" x 21 3/4" \$200, Becker retro twin fin fish 6'2" x 22" 3" with stomp pad \$225. Al Merrick Sashimi thruster with Future carbon fins and stomp pad (big guy board) 7'0" x 21 1/8" \$150.

**PAWS DONATIONS:** We are in need of dog/cat food, towels, blankets, newspaper, plastic containers for food and even old t-shirts. If you would like to donate any of these items please drop them off in the bin by the side door of the Spouse House at 5th.

**DON'T THROW AWAY YOUR GOODS AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS!** I will be glad to pick them up at your home, no matter what condition they are in. Shoes, clothes, furniture, and all household items.

Services

**Babysitters/ Dog Sitters**

**LAWN SERVICES:** Need someone to cut your lawn fast and cheap?

MWR Business Hours:

9:00am – 4:00pm  
 787-890-8400

MWR Extensions

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