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Season One

Navy NCIS: The Beginning

Season 1
Episode Number: 0
Season Episode: 0

Originally aired: Tuesday October 21, 2003 on CBS
Writer: Donald P. Bellisario, Don McGill
Director: Donald P. Bellisario, Scott Brazil
Show Stars: David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto)
Recurring Role: Alan Dale (NCIS Director Tom Morrow)
Guest Stars: Tom Jay Jones (unknown), Karri Turner (Lt. Harriet Sims), Tamlyn Tomita (Lt. Cmdr. Tracy Manetti), Paul Norwood (unknown), Joseph Hodge (unknown), Zoe McLellan (PO Coates), Faran Tahir (Amad Bin Atwa), W.K. Stratton (Cmdr. Teddy Lindsey), Robyn Lively (NCIS Agent Viv Blackadder), Michael Muhney (Major McBurney), Alicia Coppola (Lt. Cmdr. Faith Coleman), Patrick Labyorteaux (Lt. Bud J. Roberts Jr.), John M. Jackson (R. Adm. Albert Jethro Chegwiddden), David James Elliott (Cmdr. Harmon Rabb Jr.), Catherine Bell (Lt. Col. Sarah MacKenzie)
Production Code: 000
Summary: The pilot that aired few weeks after the show's premiere, was aired as a JAG episode, but also a pilot titled "Navy NCIS: The Beginning". The episode is a 1-hour combination of two episodes that aired as JAG, "Ice Queen (1)" and "Meltdown (2)". A murdered JAG officer teams up the JAG staff with agents of the Naval Criminal Investigative Services (NCIS).



The episode begins when a body that washed up from the Potomac is discovered to be a JAG officer. While Adm. Chegwiddden's team is stunned by the news, members of the Naval Criminal Investigative Service (the focus of the spinoff) suspect foul play and begin questioning the officers. NCIS agents Leroy Gibbs, Tony Dinozzo and Viv Blackadder, along with Dr. Donald "Ducky" Mallard, think Harm is hiding something, but a crucial piece of evidence leads them to

deduce something far worse. After a JAG officer is found murdered, Harm is arrested for the crime and is court-martialed. The case against Harm appears to be very strong, but Agent Gibbs begins to have doubts about his guilt despite the incriminating evidence. As Gibbs leaves for the Middle East to question a senior Arab terrorist about an impending attack against a Navy ship, he asks his team to dig deeper into Harm's case in the hopes that they will find new evidence that points to another killer before the verdict is read. Harm's cover (hat) found on the river bank is confirmed by Abby as not to have been in the river as long as Loren Singers body. Actually its only been there a few weeks. Harm is defended by a non JAG office lawyer, Lt. Cmdr. Faith Coleman, and Gibbs asks marine Major McBurney to prosecute. Later, when Gibbs is asked on the stand whether he thinks Harm murdered Singer - he replies No! He thinks its a setup for Harm, and starts his team looking for someone with an axe to grind while he flies out to search for Amad

Bin Atwa. Harm suggest that Cmdr. Lindsey may have something against him, and then recalls back to when Lindsey was last in his office, and he lifted Harm cap instead of his own. Tony and Viv have Lindsey brought in. Tony gets a confession out of Lindsey (out thinking him). It seems they were arguing, Singer went to leave and slipped in the snow hitting her head on the concrete. Instead of calling for help, Lindsey dumped Singer's unconscious body into the river causing her to drown. He put Harm's cover into place along the riverbank making it look like Harm did it. He looks relieved when Tony tells him he is not the father, although he is still guilty of murder. In the end we find out that Singer was going to Shannon, Ireland and not San Diego - so the father is not someone we know. Harm is released and Lindsey is charged with her murder. Tony and Viv fly out to join Gibbs in the hunt for Bin Atwa. Thanks to some good intel, they now know his location is near Gibraltar, and a navy aircraft carrier is the target. Bin Atwa is spotted in local sea port, and Viv blows their cover by staring at him too long. Heavy gun fire breaks out and almost all the terrorists are killed when Gibbs goes after Bin Atwa on the bridge of his boat. Bin Atwa pulls a grenade, but drops it when Gibbs shoots him - and Gibbs gets blown down the stairwell for his trouble. For a moment Viv and Tony think he was caught in the blast, but see him walking slowly through the smoke, and Viv tries to apologise for blowing their cover...

Yankee White

Season 1

Episode Number: 1

Season Episode: 1

Originally aired: Tuesday September 23, 2003 on CBS
Writer: Donald P. Bellisario, Don McGill
Director: Donald P. Bellisario
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo)
Recurring Role: Alan Dale (NCIS Director Tom Morrow), Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Pancho Demming (Gerald Jackson)
Guest Stars: Vivienne Bellisario (Mysterious Redhead), Asante Jones (Detective Andy Kochifis), Jeremy Overstreet (Agent Bowman), Gary Grubbs (Coroner Elmo Poke), Gerry Becker (William Baer), Lawrence Pressman (Secret Service Director), Gregory Itzin (FBI Director), Dane Northcutt (Marine Major Kerry), Gerald Downey (Navy Cmdr. Ray Trapp), Robert Bagnell (Leonard Rish), Gerald McCullouch (FBI Agent), Michael Adler (Navy Capt. Burger), Steve Bridges (George W. Bush), Michael Maize (Security Guard), Richard Anthony Crenna (Chief Steward), Dwayne Macopson (Marine Major Carl Pritchard), Doris E. McMillon (News Anchor), Paul Majors (NCIS Agent)
Production Code: 01001
Summary: While on Air Force One, a Navy Commander dies. Agents from NCIS decide to take the investigation into their own hands and also force Secret Service Agent Kate Todd to help. Now the NCIS team has to figure out if the Navy Officer's death was of natural causes or not.



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In Washington, Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs gets a called from Agent Anthony DiNozzo and is informed that Air Force One has landed in Wichita, KS due to a naval commander dying on board. At the airport, Special Agent Gibbs and Agent DiNozzo meet up with Dr. Donald "Ducky" Mallard and they head down to Wichita. When they arrive on site, Dr. Mallard pretends to be the local medical examiner and Gibbs and DiNozzo pretend to be his assistants. They even used the local coroner to help them with their set up. They were able to fool the FBI and other agents, except Agent Kate Todd, who discovers that they are not only pre-

tending to be the local Medical Examiner; they are there to take over the investigation. They offer to take her aboard and help solve the case. Through much hesitation, Agent Katie Todd agrees to work with them. On their way to Andrews, Ducky discovered that the time of death of the deceased is nearly an hour earlier than what the President's physician has claimed it to be. A little later, Ducky discovers why the time of death between him and the President's physician was different. Being that Commander Trapp had lunch with the President, the President's physician

probably rushed to evaluate the President's condition. He did call Trapp's time of death. Once he was sure that the President wasn't in any medical danger, he returned and was gone for nearly an hour. After solving that mystery, Gibbs, Agent Todd and Agent Dinozzo, start bagging the food from the President's lunch. While bagging the evidence, Agent Todd throws up, which makes them question if she has what killed Trapp. At a President's conference, Agent Baer and FBI Agent Fornell have a phone conversation about NCIS having control of the investigation. Agent Baer sticks to their side, even though it's in the hands of a retired cop and ex ME's. Agent Baer informs FBI Agent Fornell that he will have Agent Todd turn the body over to the FBI when she and the NCIS agents land in Andrews. Back on Air Force One, Kate tells Dr. Mallard and Agent Gibbs that she has a stomach virus due to the fact that she slept with Major Kerry who had the same symptoms. After interviewing the staff who were held on board, Agent Dinozzo discovers that the food is very secured but the ribs that were served was flown in from San Antonio and the only person who had ribs was the President. Meanwhile, Agent Todd gets hounded by Agent Baer to turn the body over to FBI when she lands, she tries to get him to see on their point of view but it doesn't work. Agent Todd informs Special Agent Gibbs what she has been ordered to do and that she won't disobey a direct order. Gibbs tells her he understands and they land in Andrews. Agent Dinozzo, Special Agent Gibbs, and Dr. Mallard have taken Trapp's body to NCIS. At a medical lab, Dr. Mallard is examining Trapp's body and Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto is examining his clothes. Dinozzo goes to Abby and discovers that Trapp might have been poisoned from his own health food. When presenting for Agent Todd, FBI Agent Fornell, Gibbs and Dinozzo about how Trapp died, Dr. Mallard informs them that Trapp suffered a cerebral embolism and had a number of clots that are not unusual to find after suffering from that kind of stroke. Abby tells them that the food Trapp had was free of poison and with that, it's concluded to be a natural death. Now that the case has been solved, Special Agent Gibbs asks Kate if he could join her on the President's flight; she agrees. At a private luncheon, Kate ends her discreet relationship with Major Tim Kerry. After she drives off, Major Kerry suffers the same stroke as Commander Trapp and dies in his car. On Air Force One, while a group of reporters are waiting to interview the President, Agent Kate Todd confesses to Special Agent Gibbs that she ended her relationship with Major Tim Kerry. Later, Agent Dinozzo is called into the crime scene involving Major Kerry; meanwhile, after hours of searching, Abby finally finds something that may have been a cause in Trapp's death. Back on Air Force One, Agent Dinozzo calls Gibbs to inform him about Major Kerry. Also on the line, Dr. Mallard tells them that Major Kerry had multiple cerebral embolisms because he had a bigger dose of what killed him & Trapp. Abby comes on the line and tells them it was venom from an Australian snake. The venom was injected in the suit and it eventually got into the skin. Major Kerry was the intended target and being that he was sick he wasn't on command until the next day, so he didn't wear his suit until then. She also discovers both Kerry's and Trapp's suits were taken to a certain Dry Cleaners. They believe that this is a classic Al Qaida case and with that solved, Mark gives it to the FBI to handle. So, Gibbs gets Todd in a bathroom stall and tells her what happened, but accuses her of killing Kerry being that she was the only one seen with him at the time. After her reaction, Gibbs tells her he was testing her. He tells her what really happened and Todd confesses that Kerry knew Trapp and must have suggested the Dry Cleaners to him. Gibbs comes to the conclusion that the terrorists are after the President and in their own way, were able to get the President to board the plane they are on now. In the back of the plane, a reporter starts to seize and now is when the story starts to unravel. Special Agent Gibbs figures out what their plan has been and stops a reporter from killing the President just in time. After that controversy, Gibbs discovered that Agent Katie Todd has resigned her old job and offers her a job at NCIS, which I'm sure she will take.

Hung Out to Dry

Season 1
Episode Number: 2
Season Episode: 2

Originally aired: Tuesday September 30, 2003 on CBS
Writer: Don McGill
Director: Alan J. Levi
Show Stars: Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard)
Recurring Role: Pancho Demmings (Gerald Jackson)
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Production Code: 01002
Summary: During a training exercise, a marine's parachute fails to open and he crashes into a parked car where two teenagers were making out. The NCIS team heads to the scene and has to determine if the marine's death was accidental or a murder.



The scene begins in a parked car; two teenagers are making out enthusiastically. Or rather, not so enthusiastically - the girl reaches the end of her tether and starts telling her young man to stop; he starts to make it pretty clear that he's not going to stop. She threatens to scream. With a crash, a human body slams through the roof of the vehicle, splattering both teens with blood. The young lady does, indeed, scream.

Gibbs is working on his boat when Tony enters the basement, fills Gibbs in on the particulars of what we have already seen: the man who fell through the car roof was a Marine on a night-training jump with a parachute that failed. He looks around, sees Gibbs' cell phone in a jar of paint thinner and the land-line ripped out of the wall. He comments that he tried to call; Gibbs simply says, "Don't ask."

Cut to: the scene of the accident. The Marines who jumped are all in custody. The girl from the SUV is flipping out. Turns out, it's her father's SUV. MSgt Shaefer is on duty and unaware that his daughter took his car. Gibbs interviews her; they are interrupted several times by the big-mouthed young man, who behaves boorishly and obviously irritates Gibbs. She expresses the belief that the victim was alive after impacting the car.

Gibbs and DiNozzo approach the car; Ducky is already there on a ladder. DiNozzo goes after more equipment as Gibbs and Ducky discuss the unfortunate incident. Gibbs notes that a number of the parachute's shroud lines failed; he explains that this could lead to the chute "tootsie

rolling" (refusing to open in the air, taking on the shape of a Tootsie Roll). Gibbs says the lines look worn, as though they simply broke. DiNozzo returns to the scene, trailed by Kate in a tweed suit and heels, who was having trouble getting past the M.P.s due to lack of photo I.D. She gets her first look at the body and is shocked. "My God! Is this for real?" There is some banter, and Gibbs produces a box, holding it out to Kate and welcoming her to NCIS. The box contains combat boots, because heels are inappropriate for crime scene work. Kate expresses amusement - "How did you know my size?"

Kate goes away to put her new boots on and Gibbs goes away. While working, Tony asks Ducky about the phones in Gibbs' house. We learn that today is the anniversary of Gibbs' third marriage; his ex-wife gets drunk every year about this time and calls him repeatedly (as this will eventually turn out to be Stephanie in Season 5, obviously her character underwent some serious changes in 5 years).

Cut to: an airplane hangar. The rest of the paratroop unit are being sequestered here pending the investigation. Gibbs is confronted by an angry CO who demands that his men be released so that they can tell their families they are all right. He also indicates that the men have another training jump tonight. Gibbs refuses, and grounds the unit. When the CO indicates that he may defy Gibbs and release the men anyway, Gibbs fakes a call to Commandant May of the Marine Corps to enforce his requirements. Here we learn that the dead man's name is Sergeant Fuentes.

Tony goes to investigate the airplane and Kate and Gibbs begin the interrogations. They begin with the members of Fuentes' "stick" (the group he jumped with). These are Corporals Dafelmair, Brinkman, and Ramsey. We learn here that Sgt. Fuentes' nickname was "Thumper" because he was extremely lucky - a walking rabbit's foot. Dafelmair says that a week prior to the incident, Fuentes was hit by a car while riding a new bike and was thrown through a plate glass window, surviving with only a "dinged" collarbone. We also learn that Dafelmair was the first to reach Fuentes after the accident. Gibbs releases the men, requiring them to prepare a written statement, and also confiscates their gear. Kate and Gibbs discuss the interrogation, and begin to believe that Fuentes' reaction time may have been slowed by painkillers he was taking for his injured collarbone.

In Autopsy, Ducky lists the various injuries Fuentes sustains and also confirms that Fuentes had a fractured left collarbone. He also confirms that Fuentes was alive - briefly - after impact. He further states that although Fuentes would have died of massive trauma, the technical cause of death was bleed out from the severing of his femoral artery.

In Abby's lab, Abby is changing her paintings and discussing them with Tony. She has hung a new one, a rendering of a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the abdomen, and intends to call it "Blast From the Future." Gibbs comes in, looking for his toxicology results. It turns out that Fuentes was on Percocet and Vicodin when he jumped. Abby believes he took them right before jumping. Gibbs says the Marines in his string probably knew. Abby confirms that his reserve chute was fine. Further, she states that the shroud lines on the main chute exhibited fiber disintegration, but not from textile fatigue; rather they seem to have had some sort of acid-containing cleansing agent applied to them. Gibbs assigns Kate to assist Abby in determining what the substance is.

Tony and Gibbs return to the para loft, where Gibbs questions Cpl. Dafelmair, who (it turns out) is a rigger - someone who inspects and prepares the parachutes before jumps. It seems that Dafelmair packed the chute that Fuentes jumped with. There is discussion of the packing - the chutes are packed, then handed out randomly at jump-time. Between those events, they are kept in the para loft under lock and key. Ramsey and Brinkman are also riggers; Fuentes was senior rigger. The only people with keys to the para loft were Fuentes and their CO, Captain Faul. We also learn here that Dafelmair was a drug dealer before joining the Corps; he got the service-or-prison-time choice from the judge, and chose the Marines.

Cut to: Abby's lab. She and Kate are examining the substance on the shroud lines. They identify it as sulphuric acid. Kate asks Abby how she got interested in forensics; Abby reveals that when she was young, she lived next to a junkyard where the aftermath of car accidents was brought, and she used to sneak in at night and take pictures, trying to learn how things happened and the physics of each situation. Kate reveals that she spent a year in law school before deciding she hated it and going into law enforcement instead. There is banter; we feel that Kate and Abby will be good friends. And Kate still has a great smile.

Cut back to the base: Tony and Gibbs are caught up to by a Marine who brings Gibbs a

new cell phone, sent by Ducky. They get a call, and Gibbs says he will be there in twenty. We find ourselves back in Abby's lab; in the darkness of her second room, she is standing amid the stretched-out shroud lines of a second parachute, illuminating them under a black-light. They glow strangely with a substance she identifies as sulphuric acid - the same cleaning solution that was on Fuentes' chute. Kate confirms that nine of the sixteen chutes to be used in the jump were tampered with. Four of them were packed by Dafelmair; the rest by Brinkman and Fuentes. We learn here that Cpl. Ramsey has been on a two-week rigging suspension because Fuentes wrote him up for shoddy work. Abby has found DNA traces on all nine of the tampered parachutes, but it is unidentifiable because they do not have access to Cpl. Ramsey's DNA. Kate suggests using the Armed Forces DNA registry; Gibbs says they can't, because it is only for identifying bodies. Kate maintains that there must be a way around that. Gibbs compliments her devious thinking.

In interrogation, Gibbs lays out his case for JAG Lieutenant Bud Roberts. Roberts agrees that the evidence is good; however, he refuses to lawyer them past the Registry restriction, despite Gibbs' attempts at intimidation. He does, however, agree to sign off on some search authorizations to keep Gibbs happy. Returning to the squad room, Kate and Gibbs discuss his tactics. He compares what he did to horse trading. Tony confirms the reason for Ramsey's rigging suspension and further states that scuttlebutt says Ramsey took a swing at Fuentes over the suspension. Gibbs gets a cell phone call with the caller ID blocked; Tony puts his foot in his mouth about Gibbs' marriage.

Gibbs goes to Sgt. Fuentes' house for reasons unknown. He has a chat with Sgt. Fuentes' young son, Billy, and his widow. He and Billy discuss the unfinished state of the tree house that Sgt. Fuentes was building and Billy's lack of a password for the tree house. Billy expresses his desire to make his father proud and not cry in front of the Marines at the funeral. Gibbs tells him about JFK, Jr. saluting the coffin at JFK's funeral. "You salute your dad today. Nobody will notice tears." He also assures Mrs. Fuentes that he will see justice done.

Back at base, we find Tony practising to jump out of an airplane. This is done by jumping off a raised platform into a sand pit. He tells Gibbs he is doing research for Abby. The three go to execute their search warrant on the riggers' lockers, which were all sealed immediately after Fuentes's death. In Cpl. Ramsey's locker, Kate finds a can of brass stripper solvent which contains sulphuric acid. Ramsey claims it is not his, and is taken into custody. In interrogation, a key to the para loft is found on Ramsey's key chain. Gibbs offers Ramsey a chance to prove his innocence by providing a DNA sample.

Back in the squad room, there is a discussion. The DNA sample will take 24 hours to run; Gibbs does not want to wait that long for answers. If Ramsey is innocent, Faul, Dafelmair or Brinkman may be guilty. He and Kate go to interrogate Capt. Faul. He has a good alibi for the time when the chutes were tampered with. Kate and Gibbs return to the squad room. Tony has more information. Ramsey participated in handing out the chutes despite his suspension. Fuentes supervised from the truck. Kate comments that Ramsey could have given Fuentes a dirty chute. Gibbs twigs on the words and heads back down to Abby's lab, Kate and Tony in tow. He wants Fuentes' reserve chute, but Abby has something more interesting: on the sabotaged shroud lines are traces of cocaine.

Gibbs looks at the reserve in question: it is too clean to have been involved in a bloody fall like the one Fuentes took. They go to examine Brinkman, Dafelmair and Ramsey's chutes, and they find one - number 13 - which is dirty. He examines it and discovers that the reserve is unusable - the cone has been soldered in place. Gibbs orders Kate to call Capt. Faul and tell him that jump ops can resume, but not to identify the killer (who is clearly not Ramsey). Then he tells DiNozzo that they are going to be jumping. He wants the killer to confess.

That night, Gibbs and DiNozzo join the paratroopers on their training jump. There is a conversation on the plane which leads to Tony switching reserve chutes with Dafelmair. When their stick is called, Gibbs confronts Dafelmair about his drug dealing activities. He advises Dafelmair that a confession and the name of his supplier will get him a deal. He cuts Dafelmair's shroud lines - Dafelmair knows the reserve is bad. Dafelmair asks how good of a deal he can get. Brinkman attacks him, screaming "He doesn't deserve a deal!" In the resulting scuffle, Tony is pushed out of the plane.

Back in the squad room, Tony watches news coverage of the arrest. He and Gibbs chat for a moment; he leaves, limping (this is what happens when parachute strapping pulls tight on a sensitive area of the male anatomy). Gibbs watches him leave with some amusement. Gibbs re-

mains behind, doing paperwork. Gibbs' cell phone rings. The caller ID reads "Caller ID Withheld." Gibbs puts the phone in his drawer and leaves.

The next morning, the door to the Fuentes' house opens and young Billy comes out in his pajamas to the sound of hammering. Heart-warmingly, Gibbs is up in the tree, finishing Billy's tree house. Billy wants to come up. Gibbs asks him if he has a password yet. Billy says, "Yes, sir! Semper Fi!" Gibbs admits that it is a good password. Billy comes up, and Gibbs lets the little boy help him finish the work.

Seadog

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Guest Stars: Miguel A. Gaetan (Carlos), Homie Doroodian (Seth Shakir), Elena Lyons (Diane Fontaine), Jodi Bianca Wise (Jenny), Joe Torry (Darryl Wilkins), Dempsey Pappion (Basketball Player), Benny Nieves (Frank Trujillo), William R. Moses (DEA Agent Kent Fuller), Mark Holton (Sergeant Linn), Merle Dandridge (Marcy Carruthers), Dar Dixon (Captain Tom Bradstone), Chris Olivero (Dave Simmons), Melissa Lee (Sarah Parker), Sam Sarpong (Bobby Jackson), Gregory Itzin (FBI Director), Emilie de Ravin (Nancy)
Production Code: 01003
Summary: When a Navy commander's body washes up on shore along with the bodies of two drug runners, Gibbs refuses to believe that the sailor who was killed was dirty.



The scene is set: a group of college kids are partying on a beach. Their party is interrupted by the sound of gunfire out on the water. They turn the music off to hear better. Moments later, an unmanned speedboat drives ashore right into the middle of where they all were gathered. They scatter. Upon returning to the site, they find that the back of the boat has been peppered by gunfire.

Gibbs enters the squad room on a Monday morning. DiNozzo is desperately searching for a case to avoid sexual harassment training.

Gibbs opines that if he has to sit through sexual harassment training again, he'll shoot himself. In the nick of time they get a call. A dead Navy Commander washed up on the beach. They arrive to find a local officer talking to a reporter - Diane Fontaine. The officer states that the commander was involved in running drugs. He advises Gibbs that the DEA is working two dead drug dealers three miles north. Gibbs has DiNozzo escort the reporter off the scene, then he and Ducky chastise Sergeant Linn for contaminating the crime scene. Actually chastise is too mild a word for what they do! Verbal disembowelment comes closer.

Gibbs sends Kate to get witness reports, examine the boat and have it towed back to the garage. DiNozzo returns, with Fontaine's phone number, crowing. Ducky comes to the group, still ranting about Linn and the contaminated crime scene. They roll the body over and find that the Commander was shot in the back. Gibbs orders Tony and Gerald to bag the body and any evidence and meet him and Ducky at Fort Story, where the DEA is working the drug dealers.

Gibbs and Ducky arrive at the DEA scene and are met by DEA Agent Fuller and Army CID Captain Bradstone. Agent Fuller believes that the deaths are connected because "How many guys do you know go out fishing in the middle of the night?" Gibbs says that he does. The drug dealers, however, did not. Fuller believes that the dealers were killed for their drugs and their boat. Captain Bradstone's medical examiner is unavailable; he has no objection to NCIS and DEA working the scene as long as he can get the reports. Upon initial examination of the bodies, Gibbs discovers that they are carrying large amounts of \$100 bills. Gibbs wants to know how many drug dealers dump bodies and cash.

Returning to the squad room, Kate is incensed that she was left to ride in the tow truck with the boat. She voices her displeasure. She then begins to go over the particulars of the evidence: the gun battle occurred around 0230. The Commander was running from the gunfire: there were six bullet holes in the stern of the boat and two in the engine housing. The partying students heard the attacking boat go up the coast. On the boat was all the evidence that the Commander was simply out doing some night fishing. No drugs. Gibbs tells Kate about the money; she wants to see it. Gibbs notes that the college kids were right: the shooters either went up the Chesapeake or the Maryland coast. He tells DiNozzo to find out which.

In Autopsy, Ducky is sharing a story with Agent Fuller while retrieving the bullets from the Commander's body. When he starts his incision for examination, Agent Fuller does not look well and abruptly excuses himself. Ducky sends a bullet up to Abby. We see Gibbs in the squad room doing paperwork; Fontaine is on the news telling how Commander Farrell was found dead on the beach near the drug dealers' bodies. She goes on to state that a night basketball program Farrell helped found - which was designed to bring at-risk youth off the street - has been suspended because of the suspected drug connection. Gibbs becomes determined to clear Farrell's name and restart the program.

Gibbs goes down to one of the basketball courts and finds two young men who have jumped the locked fence and are playing in the dark. He questions them about Farrell and whether he might have been involved in drugs. The young men are suspicious of Gibbs but, once he assures them that he simply wants to clear Farrell's name and get the basketball court unlocked, they finally tell him that they do not believe Farrell would have been involved in drugs. Here we learn that Farrell's nickname among the young men he helped was "Seadog."

The next day, in Abby's lab, Kate gives a mini-lecture about micro-printing on American money to foil counterfeiters. She has determined that the bills the drug dealers had are fake, because the micro-printing on them reads "Untied" States of America. Tony states that according to the tide charts, judging by the location where the bodies washed up, the dealers' boat must have been entering Chesapeake Bay. Gibbs asks Agent Fuller to bring in the two rival drug gang leaders to help identify and locate the missing boat. He asks Kate if there is anyone with the Secret Service she can trust to help her find out who forged the money without informing their boss. She thinks there is.

As Kate leaves, Abby waves her arms to get Gibbs' attention from behind a window. She uses sign language to tell Gibbs that the AK-47 round that killed Farrell came from the same gun that killed the drug dealers. Tony is surprised that Abby can sign; Gibbs tells him that her parents were/are deaf. Tony asks where Gibbs learned; he does not answer. She comes out and advises him that she has more information. She found gunshot residue on the smugglers' hands, but Farrell was clean. In the elevator, Gibbs asks Tony for Fontaine's number.

Gibbs meets Fontaine for lunch. He offers her further information on the Farrell story in exchange for her being willing to air a story to clear Farrell's name. Returning to HQ, Gibbs refuses to give Tony details about lunch. The drug dealers are there; Gibbs goes down to Autopsy, where they are waiting. Gibbs pulls out the bodies; the drug dealers are Trujillo's. Gibbs explains about Farrell dying in the crossfire between Trujillo's and Wilkins' gangs; Trujillo decides to lawyer up. Gibbs brings out the counterfeit bills, explains that they came from a foreign government known to support terrorism. He explains his intention to hold Wilkins and Trujillo as supporters of terrorism and have them sent to Guantanamo to be held without habeas corpus. It works - Trujillo decides to talk.

Trujillo explains that the dead smugglers took the boat out without his permission or knowledge. Wilkins states that his people did not kill Trujillo's, and Trujillo believes him. Gibbs says he will accept this if Trujillo will give them the boat. Trujillo tries to claim he can't do this, but Wilkins tells them that all of Trujillo's boats are outfitted with GPS equipment. The boat, La

Eternidad, is located and the investigation there begins. The boat is shot up and the interior covered in blood. Gibbs sends Fuller out to find information, then stands on the stern of the boat, visualizing the shootout. Tony believes that he is looking at the attractive young ladies in a boat across the way.

Kate is sitting on a park bench, working on a sketch of Gibbs. Here we learn for the first time that Kate is an artist. A woman approaches her, calling her Caitlin. She greets her warmly. This woman is Marcy, to whom Kate has gone for help with the counterfeit money. They hug, but Marcy is not very friendly. They chat for a moment, then Marcy says that "we" were able to trace the money. Kate catches the "we" with consternation. Marcy chastises Kate for thinking anyone would slip her info on this. We see Agent Fornell standing nearby as Marcy explains that "we" had to inform the FBI. Kate is less than pleased.

Back at the marina, Fuller says that Jenny and Nancy - the young ladies Tony was admiring earlier - were very helpful. They saw a young man in his late twenties with a couple of cell phones and a laptop working on the boat. They saw a white van pull up, the men moved heavy suitcases and a third man to the van from the boat, and left. Tony insists he could get more information from the young ladies if Gibbs gives him a chance. Reluctantly, Gibbs allows it.

Back at HQ, Kate is standing in the squad room looking extremely incensed when Gibbs arrives. He asks if she got anything from her friend; she says "Yep." He walks around her to see Fornell sitting in his chair and turns back to her, saying, "You disappoint me, Kate." He then tells her she needs to seriously rethink her definition of the word 'friend.' She says that in Marcy's position, she'd have done the same thing. Fornell makes a crack about her running out of job options, then tells Gibbs that the serial numbers on the fake bills match some that were passed by 9/11 hijackers. The killers are terrorists.

In MTAC, Morrow is on the video chat with the director of the FBI, discussing the terrorists and that the FBI has a database of terrorist information. Morrow wants to know why NCIS didn't have access to this database. There is political maneuvering, and Morrow obtains permanent access to the database with some well-placed threats.

Back at the marina, Tony is enjoying an afternoon with a pair of young Australian 'sheilas' in bikinis. He seems to be working very hard, if his extremely poor Australian accent is taken into account. He gets them to re-enact their afternoon to try and remember more details about what they'd seen. As this is happening, the terrorist database finds a fingerprint match - a Seth Shakir, a Saudi terrorist with a high priority. He's wanted for a bombing in Baghdad. Tony returns from the marina with information: one of the girls remembered that the man driving the van was wearing a uniform. Tony got surveillance tapes and learned that the van belongs to the power company.

Abby arrives, bearing news that she was only able to match prints to the drug dealers in the cooler. She is advised that she did not have access to the whole database, and chastises Fornell. She also says that she found traces of C4 on the boat. Fornell is relieved that the terrorists are "just gonna try to blow something up." Fornell puts out an APB for the power company truck and leaves. Gibbs thinks Fornell is too fixed on his target. He mentions the great Northeast blackout of August 2003, which was caused in part by a tree falling on some power lines. With some research, they learn that three key failures in Virginia's power grid could cascade and black out the entire United States. They head for the nearest node, in Fairfax.

At or near the node in question, Shakir is seen working on his laptop. Gibbs finds a place where a transmission line crosses the node; if this were blown, it would work the same as taking out the node itself. They head for it, and spy Shakir sitting below the tower, working. He sees them arriving and begins to yell in Arabic. He grabs an AK-47 and shoots at their car. Gibbs returns fire. Shakir falls down, dropping his glasses, and crawls back to his computer, attempting to go ahead with the detonation. He is typing in the number to the cell phone when Gibbs shoots him. Shakir tries to continue, but Gibbs and Kate shoot him again and he dies.

They move to investigate the setup, disconnect the computer from the phones, and discuss. Gibbs says they are lucky he wasn't phone savvy; he'd typed in six of the seven numbers to the phone. Kate says he was savvy enough to wire all three phones to the same number. Gibbs points out that if Shakir had truly been savvy, he'd have used speed dial. Interesting comment from a man who acts as if he is a technophobe.

Cut to: a lighted basketball court, at night. Young black men are playing basketball; Fontaine is telling her story to a camera, clearing "Seadog's" name with the media. Gibbs is watching

from outside the court. Fontaine finishes her story and approaches Gibbs. They talk. She cannot guarantee the story will be aired, but she is trying. He thanks her, walks away, and is picked up by the Bond Girl in the silver BMW.

The Immortals

Season 1

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Production Code: 01004
Summary: The NCIS team investigates when a seaman's body is found at the bottom of the sea in his dress whites, with a ceremonial sword. They discover that he was addicted to a Wizards and Warriors style role-playing game. Now, the team must figure out how involved he was in the game and how far he would go to get revenge on his arch enemy, another sailor.



and DiNozzo settle into the ship that McDonald was in and start investigating. Everyone tells them that McDonald kept to himself. Agent Gibbs interviews Petty Officer Carnahan whom tells him he didn't know him. Agent DiNozzo interviews McDonald's C. O. who said that McDonald was very intelligent but hasn't been focused lately. So far, he is the only one who believes McDonald would kill himself. Agent Todd talks with his Medical corpsman who stated that McDonald was troubled but doesn't believe he would kill himself. She also tells her about how he was obsessed with a person who was there, but wasn't really there. So, he had a sword he wasn't suppose to have, he was found at the bottom of the ocean with weights, his C.O. believes he that would commit suicide but his mother and his corpsman doesn't. He was also teaching himself how to

While a group of friends are out sailing, one of them goes swimming and discovers a body at the bottom of the ocean. Seaman Russell McDonald's body was in found in the Bahamas, which is near Puerto Rico. That gets DiNozzo started on how much he loves Puerto Rico. McDonald's body had a sword and had chains with weights hooked to them wrapped around his waist. DiNozzo and Todd go to tell McDonald's mother about him. His mother told them about his father and how he dies when he was 12. She also told them that he wasn't the type of person who would kill himself. Gibbs, Todd

use that sword from a book Agent Gibbs found in his rack. On a video line, Abby informs Gibbs, Todd and Dinozzo that she found a St. Christopher medal and a character charter for a fantasy game; a massive multi-player on-line role-playing game MMORPG. She also noticed that the sword had nicks in it, possibly was in contact with another sword. So Todd goes investigates that while Abby will try to find out what type of game McDonald was playing and what type of files he had in that game. Gibbs and Dinozzo talked with Ducky next. He found dirt under McDonald's fingernails; the dirt was from the sea floor. With that, he comes to the conclusion that McDonald was still alive when he went into the water. Later on, Dinozzo finds out that McDonald probably got the sword from the Base Exchange Roosevelt Roads Naval Station and the only way he could get one if the cashier wasn't checking IDs. No one is allowed to have swords on board, so if he had one, he would have to hide it. Meanwhile, Gibbs talks with a captain and is informed that if two of his men wanted to stage sword fights and not get caught, they would probably do it in, Damage control, in the machine room at night. While Abby works on MMORPG, Todd talks with the corpsman again to find out if there were any injuries reported that could help. Later, Dinozzo informs Gibbs about the swords and Abby calls Gibbs and tells him that she found a game site called "The Immortals" McDonald frequently went to. His character name was Waylin. The charter she found on him referred to his main rival knight Kinvaras. Their main mode of combat was "Parle", which means Sword Fighting. She also discovered that the guy who plays Kinvaras, logs on from the foster, the ship that Gibbs, Dinozzo, and Todd are on. Gibbs believes that McDonald found out who Kinvaras was and that he was on the ship and decided to take it to the next level. So, if they both had swords, chances are they had to have bought it at the Naval Base Exchange in Puerto Rico. So Dinozzo offers to go down to Puerto Rico, pretend to buy a sword, expose the clerk and find out what he can. Back at Navy NCIS headquarters, Abby finds McDonald's "Weylin's" Profile on Immortals and now has to find out the password to access the information. Meanwhile in Puerto Rico, Agent Dinozzo cons a clerk into selling him a sword and then tells her he's really Navy NCIS and needs to find out who else she has sold swords to. Down in the control room, Gibbs and Todd find scratches on poles; scratches that look like a sword hit it. While discovering more of them, Todd gets into a conversation about McDonald being a Catholic and that he would never commit suicide. Being that she's Catholic herself, she would know because it's suicide is not part of their culture. Dinozzo calls Gibbs and informs him that the Base Exchange was selling swords illegally. They did sell one to McDonald and to three others who Dinozzo has a description of. Later, Gibbs and Todd go through each Seaman's file that matches the description Dinozzo gave them. They run across Petty Officer Ronald Zuger file and learn that he had a cut on his arm from a glass but there weren't any glass shards in the wound. He also matches one of the descriptions that Dinozzo provided. Gibbs finds him on the computer playing a sword-fighting round in Immortals. Meanwhile Abby gets access to McDonald's password on Immortals and skims through his numerous journal entries. She then calls Gibbs but Todd picks up instead. Abby informs Todd that she got into McDonald's journal; Todd offers to read all of the entries. During the questioning, Gibbs learns that McDonald and Zuger did fight for real and it was McDonald's idea to take the game to the next level. He also finds out that Zuger was helping a friend with a computer problem the night McDonald went overboard. Meanwhile Todd reads McDonald's journal entries and learns just how obsessed he was with the game. Gibbs questions Carnahan and asks him about the computer problem that Zuger helped him with the night McDonald went overboard. He learns that he was helping him delete porn off of his computer because he was sure his C.O. was suspecting him of doing just that. On a video communication line, Gibbs talks with Ducky about any other injuries McDonald may have, Ducky tells them he nothing else new. So with that, it does look like a suicide but Todd disagrees, and not because of religious morals. After reading McDonald's journal entries, she learns that McDonald was so intent to finish his battle with Kinvaras that he wouldn't let anything stand in his way. So with that, he wouldn't have a reason to kill himself. While Dinozzo requests Zuger's records, Todd discovers an entry that says when McDonald is off the ship; he will release a great plague on a realm by the next full moon destroying all of his enemies. With that, Gibbs remembers that McDonald applied for NBC program (Nuclear Biological and Chemical Weapons) but failed. So they figure the realm McDonald was referring to was the ship; McDonald was convinced that the crew was aiding his enemy. The group also realizes that the sun is going to set in less than an hour. So Gibbs gets Dinozzo to get Zuger to find out if there was anything on McDonald's computer about any kind of nuclear bomb. Gibbs knows that Navy

Ships don't have the authority to carry bio-chemical weapons nor have the materials to make one and with that goes to warn the captain. While Seamen search for around the ship for the bomb, Dinozzo gets Zuger on the web-site to find out if McDonald said anything about setting off a bomb on the ship and Todd and Gibbs learn that there are no missing parts from the ship to create a bomb. While on the computer, Zuger's Kinvaras files get deleted due to a virus McDonald set. Gibbs questions Zuger if McDonald said anything about setting off a bomb on the ship; Zuger tells him he doesn't know anything. Gibbs gets Todd to look over McDonald's diary again to see if they missed something and has a chat with Zuger to find out everything that happened between him and McDonald. As more time passes by, the bomb still hasn't been found, nothing else has been found in McDonald's diary and no other ship or aircraft will arrive in time to help unload everybody off the ship. Gibbs finally gets a confession out of Zuger. Turns out that Zuger realized that McDonald really thought he was immortal and was trying to kill him when they fought for real. So Zuger challenged McDonald to swim across the ocean wearing the weights because that was the only way McDonald could prove to him that he was really immortal and because he wanted to win the game. Gibbs gets called into the Captain's Sea Cabin and Todd still searches for a clue in McDonald's journal entries. With a little over five minutes, Todd puts the pieces together and comes to the conclusion that when McDonald was referring to destroying the realm and cutting of the heads of the crew, it meant two different things. Destroying the realm meant destroying Kinvaras's web-site and cutting of the heads of the crew meant killing the leader of the crew and the leader of the crew is the captain. McDonald was so convinced everyone on the ship was aiding his enemy, the only way to get revenge was to kill the leader. As the sun is about to set, Gibbs and the Captain are arguing about the bomb and Todd and Dinozzo comes bursting in to find out where the captain usually is during sunset; which is in the room they are in now. So the four get out of the room in time before the bomb goes off. Back at Navy NCIS, Abby explains the situation to Ducky. Seaman McDonald is Weylin and Petty Officer Zuger was Kinvaras. Weylin and Kinvaras battling online in the Immortals game. Zuger always wins and McDonald challenges him to fight for real; when they do, McDonald wins. So Zuger goes back to the one thing he knows he can beat McDonald in, Immortals. Then, Zuger realizes that McDonald really thought he was Waylin and challenges him to prove it. So McDonald puts on the weights, jumps into the ocean and tries to walk across the ocean floor to dry land. In the end, Dinozzo gives Todd and Gibbs their gifts from Puerto Rico. Todd gets a bikini (really a bottom and a hat) and Gibbs gets an online fighting game in Spanish. With that, another case is solved.

The Curse

Season 1

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Season Episode: 5

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Guest Stars: Jim Pirri (Randy Wiles), Robert Pine (Golfer Ben), Chris Ellis (Gunnery Sergeant), David Ramsey (Agent Owens), Lauren Bowles (Mary Wiles), Melora Hardin (Erin), Tommy Hinkley (Disbursing Officer), Jonathan Wade-Drahos (Lt. Greg Pallini), Bill Birch (State Trooper Dan Lynch), Travis Aaron (Lt. Schilz)
Production Code: 01005
Summary: A Navy lieutenant who was reported missing nearly ten years ago has been found by a deer hunter. When the NCIS team arrives at the scene to investigate, they see that his remains have been mummified. Now, they have to find out what happened to him and what happened to the one million dollars that he had on his ship.



golf clubs and the mummified corpse we've all been waiting for. Mr. Sportsman flips out, understandably.

Gibbs shows up at HQ just long enough to collect his team and haul their butts out of there again. He pauses long enough to provide us with a helpful map view of Saint Mary's River State Park, which is presumably where Mr. Sportsman found our mummy. There is amusing banter regarding Tony's status as "Gas The Truck Boy". We skip the middle part and arrive at the park, where the local police are all over the scene and Mr. Sportsman is standing to the side, looking a little silly with his bow in his hands. Ducky theorizes that the aircraft drop tank in which our mummy friend is located must have been airtight. Gibbs goes to chat with Mr. Sportsman, who says he thought it was a missile or bomb of some kind.

Gibbs verifies what Mr. Sportsman touched and did not touch and requests his fingerprints for exclusionary purposes. He is very nice. Must be the weather. Kate is taking pictures; Tony is sketching. He reports proudly that he knows what this is - a 314 gallon external fuel tank from

We join a hunt in progress. The camouflaged man with the crossbow is apparently new at this, because he misses the buck he's aiming for by about three feet, shooting a defenseless tree instead. He comes down out of his deer blind and gives chase, only to trip over something and fall. He brushes the leaves off the item, breaks out his handy Boy Scout knife, whacks on it a few times, and then pops the handy hatch open. He pulls out a military bag with the legend "LCDR FARNSWORTH" painted on it, above a Navy insignia. Looking past this curious item into the open hatch, he sees a set of

an F-14 Tomcat. Here we learn that tomorrow will be the second anniversary of Tony joining NCIS. Then we learn that our mummy is a Lieutenant, meaning that the bag in the pod could not be his. Kate is to ride back to HQ with the pod on a flatbed.

In the evidence garage, Abby slices the pod open with a power saw. She has gotten some partial prints off the hatch that did not belong to the hunter. She should also be able to obtain a serial number from the bottom of the pod. Gibbs wants the TFOA report for this pod. Abby finishes cutting, and Gibbs and Tony lift the lid of the pod away. Abby evinces glee – "sailor on the half-shell!". There is discussion about the mummy's shoeless state and examination of the pod contents. From the mummy's dog-tags, he is identified as Lieutenant Mark Schilz. The golf bag is labeled as belonging to Lieutenant Lynch.

Kate comes up with Schilz's service record; he was reported missing off the USS Eisenhower on March 4, 1994. Schilz was labeled a deserter 30 days later and received a dishonorable discharge after being charged in absentia with the theft of \$1.2 million from the ship safe; Schilz had been the ship disbursing officer. Tony arrives back with the TFOA report; LCdr Farnsworth turns out to have been the pilot of the Tomcat that dropped the pod. Lt. Lynch turns out to be Farnsworth's Radar Intercept Officer. There is discussion of the plot so far. Kate theorizes that Schilz was trying to make his getaway in the cargo pod. Gibbs disagrees; the air would be nearly unbreathable at flight level for an F-14, and the missing money was not in the pod. Tony is set to locate the on-board NCIS agent from the Eisenhower investigation; Kate is set to locate Schilz's widow.

Gibbs goes to autopsy. We learn that the unfortunate deceased suffered a postmortem broken jaw from one of the golf clubs hitting him in the face when the cargo pod landed. We also learn that, four years ago, Gibbs' third wife hit him over the head with a baseball bat. We also learn that Schilz apparently bled to death internally, probably stabbed with something small and thin (like an ice pick, maybe?) Which means that Schilz was murdered and then stuffed into the cargo pod. Back in the bullpen, Kate still has a great smile, and she uses it on Gibbs. They discuss the murder. Gibbs thinks an accomplice may have murdered Schilz, if he had been killed in the disbursing office, it would be next to impossible to transport his body to a cargo pod across a ship carrying 6,000 people. Kate locates Schilz's widow and from a helpful shot of her computer monitor, we learn the proper spelling of his name... and then we edit the recap.

Tony returns with the name of the NCIS agent, Richard Owens, who is currently located at NCIS Pearl Harbor. He puts his foot in his mouth when he describes the 37-year-old Owens as being "considerably" younger than Gibbs, and we all wonder how Tony's managed to make it two years without Gibbs firing him yet. In Owens' report, we learn that on the night of the robbery, there was a report of a man overboard. A life vest beacon was seen in the carrier wake; Schilz's shoes were found in the life vest hold. In his notes (which are attached to the file), Owens theorized that Schilz faked falling overboard and hid out on board until the carrier put in to Norfolk. Tony continues to irritate Gibbs. Something that Tony is a master at.

Kate interviews Schilz's widow; she is remarried with a daughter who is Schilz's daughter, born the same day Schilz went missing. We learn that Mrs. Schilz did not get any death benefits or dependent support from the Navy for her daughter due to Schilz's dishonorable discharge. We get our first glimpse of Kate's bleeding heart, and we learn that Schilz called his wife in the hospital from the Eisenhower the morning he disappeared (which was a big deal in those days). In MTAC, Gibbs and Tony talk to Owens via video conference. Gibbs casts a number of aspersions on Owens' investigation and the more Gibbs talks, the more incompetent Owens looks. Owens is a little unhappy about this. Gibbs orders Owens to report to the Eisenhower in Norfolk on Saturday morning.

In the evidence garage, Abby has been examining the pod. She has learned that the pod, which is attached to the Tomcat by two hooks, was deliberately set up to fall off the plane; whoever set it wanted it to fall off in the ocean but succumbed to epic fail. Tony continues to needle Gibbs about his age. Kate arrives back from Mrs. Schilz's house, bleeding heart on her sleeve. She tells Gibbs that Schilz called his wife at 0533 on the morning of the robbery; the call lasted twelve minutes. We learn here that the assistant disbursing officer was an Ensign Wiles - who, oddly enough, is the former Mrs. Schilz's new husband.

Saturday morning finds Tony doing the crossword while waiting with an impatient Owens for Gibbs to show up. Gibbs and Kate are at a shooting range, interviewing former Ensign Randy Wiles. We learn here that Mrs. Wiles does not know that her husbands served together. In a move

straight out of a lame romantic comedy (Bounce, according to our self-referential scriptwriters), Wiles fell for his former shipmate's widow and never told her who he was. Gibbs points out that a more believable plotline might include stealing the money, setting Schilz up, killing him, getting away with it and marrying Schilz's wife. Wiles points out that he works the shooting range during the day, does accounting at night, sends Alicia to public school, drives a crappy car and lives in a rented house, none of which would be true if he had a stolen million dollars. Gibbs inquires after the disbursing clerk, Petty Officer Toner. Wiles explains that Toner enlisted to catch an officer.

Gibbs arrives at the Eisenhower and discusses the case with Owens. Owens explains that Wiles and Toner could not have committed the theft; Wiles was at an all-night poker game, and Toner was under figurative lock and key - that tour was the first time females were allowed at sea on extended cruises, and they were (supposedly) carefully watched; Gibbs inquires how many of those females came back pregnant. The answer: quite a few. Kate calls, advises Gibbs that Farnsworth and Lynch were both killed in a ramp strike two years ago. Gibbs says if they were still in the Navy two years ago, they probably weren't involved in the theft. She has traced Toner to Westchester, PA and is on her way there to question Toner.

She arrives at a country club just in time to interrupt Toner's tee-off. She sits down for a nice chat about the expensive country club Toner belongs to and the expensive house she lives in. Toner, who seems to enjoy calling Kate "honey," smirks and provides a winning Ohio Lottery ticket and newspaper article to go with; she claims she won \$2 million. Cut: Abby enters Autopsy, shouting "Fore!" and causing Ducky to duck out of reflex. We learn that Abby does not like being called Abigail, and a niblick (it's a golf club with a very specific shape) is not a sex act. We further learn that the unfortunate Lt. Schilz died of a puncture wound to the chest caused by a thin, sharp object, and had odd post-mortem hairline fractures to the pelvis and lower lumbar. Ducky asks Abby to recheck that area of Schilz's uniform for any anomalies.

Gibbs is investigating the disbursing office, and begins to suspect that there may have been something going on between Owens and Toner. Owens denies it, claiming that Toner had something going on with a Petty Officer Ted Martínez, who left the Navy in June of 1994 and was a plane captain on the Tomcat that dropped the pod with Schilz's body. Kate calls to share the information about the lottery with Gibbs; she will call the state lottery board in the morning to confirm the information. The information about Martínez gives him means to stuff Schilz's body into the cargo pod. DiNozzo makes yet another crack about Gibbs' age and - WOO! First headslap ever!

Gibbs walks into Abby's very noisy lab - ("It's the Newlydeads.") - just as Abby pulls an anomalous orange fiber off Schilz's uniform. She has also matched some of the prints on the pod to PO Martínez. One print did not match Martínez; Abby is trying to locate its owner. Gibbs has a suspect; we do not learn who yet. Gibbs comes up into the squadroom and is surprised to find Owens there; Owens wants to help with the investigation. Gibbs sets him to searching for Martínez.

Kate arrives in the office around 14:00 on what seems to be Sunday afternoon. Gibbs and Tony are asleep in their chairs; Owens is still working at 'his' desk. Gibbs wakes to the smell of Kate's coffee, which he subsequently snitches almost out of her hand and drinks half of, much to Kate's horror. Owens has tracked Martínez to Guadalajara, Mexico, before losing the trail. Gibbs brings Abby coffee and asks about his fingerprint. She has nothing good enough to take to court, but she does have info on the fiber: cotton canvas, dyed Orange #7. Not a life preserver; those are made of urethane-coated nylon. Gibbs twigs: it's from an orange mail bag. In the squad room, Kate is verifying Toner's story with the Ohio Lottery; turns out, Toner did hit the lottery - for \$37,000.

Owens discovers that Martínez was murdered in a motel in Piedra Negras. Gibbs sends Kate to bring Erin Toner in to HQ. She has to come voluntarily. Kate goes, feeds Toner a story about making a virtual recreation of the theft for Martínez's trial, and attempts to appeal to Toner for the sake of Schilz's daughter receiving benefits due her from the Navy; Toner suggests that they play the lottery. Kate pulls a paper out of her bag, and advises Toner that if she doesn't come to D.C. voluntarily, Kate will sign orders having Toner recalled to active duty as a material witness in the case - "All I gotta do is ink 'em, honey, and your ass is back in the Navy."

Back at HQ, Abby plays a virtual recreation of the theft showing Martínez forcing Schilz to ransack the safe and carry the money to the plane, then killing him and stuffing his body in the pod. Toner is sarcastic about the animation but claims the scenario works for her. Gibbs

says it doesn't for him; Schilz would have known Martínez was going to kill him and would have resisted; Martínez would have had to kill him in disbursing. They share the mail-bag epiphany with Toner. A fingerprint match comes up on the second plasma, and he says he'll get back to it. They move forward with their theory, discussing how Martínez would have gotten attention with his body-stuffed mailbag, and Owens remembers how Toner used to turn heads on the ship. Toner tries to leave; Kate grabs her arm and says "Not till the show's over."

Abby puts a second scenario up on the plasma; this one, better animated, shows Martínez dragging the full mailbag while Toner follows behind, flirting with passersby to keep attention away from Martínez. Toner stands, says the animation is better but it isn't evidence. She threatens arrests for assault and unlawful detainment; Gibbs says she's free to go. As she moves to leave, he gets back to the fingerprint match: it's Toner's fingerprint. She asks where they found it: "Mark's uniform? All that proves is that we got it on." Gibbs says no; they found it on the pistol that killed Martínez, which they got from Mexican authorities. They threaten her: a confession, or extradition to Mexico.

That evening, in the squad room, Owens comments that in Hawaii, it takes forever to get anything out of the federales. Tony allows that they have the same problem in D.C. Owens is astonished to learn, as they all pile into the elevator, that the fingerprint match was faked. The elevator closes on smiles all around. They all have great smiles.

High Seas

Season 1
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Season Episode: 6

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Director: Dennis Smith
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Recurring Role: Pancho Demmings (Gerald Jackson)
Guest Stars: Joel Gretsch (NCIS Special Agent Stan Burley), Jonathan T. Floyd (PO2 Gil Niles), Anson Scoville (PO2 Peter Shrewe), Charlie Hofheimer (PO1 Bobby Wilkes), Carlos Gomez (Reyes), Corbin Allred (Corpsman Milano), Bruno Gioiello (Cmdr. Stovic), Larry Sullivan (Flight Surgeon), Monti Sharp (Handler), Gil McKinney (Crewman), Rigo Sanchez (Boyfriend), Eddie Diaz (Petty Officer Gomer), Alex Avant (Clerk), Sal Landi (Cmdr. Stovic), Robert Baker (Seaman), John Littlefield (Stovic's Aide), David Ramsey (Agent Richard Owens), Jonathan Sadowski (Lt. Norski)
Production Code: 01006
Summary: An NCIS agent who used to work under Gibbs asks for the team's help investigating a case where sailors on an aircraft carrier are dying of a drug overdose, but have no history of any kind of drug abuse.



We find ourselves in a club, at what looks like a pretty good party. A young man, sweating and perturbed, makes his way through the crowd. His friends wonder where he went, calling him Wilkes. Moments later, in the back of the kitchen, a cook opens the walk-in freezer to discover the young man standing there, still sweating and perturbed but now disturbingly lacking in clothing.

Gibbs is in his basement, working on his boat, with a ball game on the television. His phone rings; he lets the machine get it. The voice on the line announces itself as Stan Burley, admonishing Gibbs to put down whatever he's doing with "that stupid boat" and pick up. Burley goes on to say he needs Gibbs' help with a case on the Enterprise - and he addresses Gibbs as "Boss." Gibbs answers - "Okay. You got my interest." Burley, who we see on an aircraft carrier (presumably the USS Enterprise), explains about the young man in the freezer: an arresting-gear operator who "went whacko" on liberty in Rota, Spain. When he was found in the freezer, his body temperature was 106. Gibbs knows that the young man must be a chronic drug user from the symptoms; Burley suspects amphetamines, but the young man's last random drug test - less than three weeks ago - was negative.

At HQ, Tony and Kate have arrived with their luggage, ready to head for the carrier. The group discusses Burley; Abby and Ducky remember him fondly. Ducky asks Kate to take Burley a cricket ball; apparently it's one of the few sports Burley does not play. Tony is clearly upset

by all the love being shown to Burley. Gibbs gets off the phone and says their flight is waiting; they exit. Arriving at the plane, Tony explains to Kate that she will get lost. There is a detailed explanation of the labeling system of the bulkheads, by which the ship is navigated. Watch the episode. Tony and Gibbs are clearly yanking her chain about getting lost, though navigating a ship that size is bound to be somewhat confusing at first.

On arrival, the team is met by Stan, who confirms that Wilkes's tox report came back with traces of meth. Tony is made to feel insecure by Burley, probably by accident, but Tony has a rather delicate ego despite his bravado. Kate is sent to interview Petty Officers Niles and Shrewe, Wilkes's buddies; Tony is sent to interview CPO Reyes, their CO. Gibbs asks for deck tapes of Reyes in action; Burley can provide. Kate does, in fact, get lost; she finds her way into a men's head and has an embarrassingly funny conversation with a man at a urinal, who gives her directions. Gibbs goes to sickbay to interview Wilkes, who vehemently insists he does not use drugs, nor anyone on his crew.

Kate finds the deck 5 berthing, is told that Niles has gone up to work out in the hangar bay. We note that she is writing on her hand instead of using her Palm Pilot or a notebook and the idle mind wonders why. She finds Niles, who admits he messed around with drugs in high school but says he doesn't touch the stuff now. He also does not believe Wilkes would do so; Wilkes is 4th-generation Navy. Cut to Gibbs on the ship's bridge; the ship's commander advises Gibbs that the Enterprise is being temporarily rerouted on a search-and-rescue mission. The skipper is very adamant about needing any existing drug problem found and stopped.

We find the flight deck crew in action. It's all very exciting. Reyes is not forthcoming with Tony. He saw nothing unusual, heard nothing unusual. Tony clearly does not buy it. Another plane is coming in for a landing, but before it can, another crew member - Petty Officer Schrewe - goes nuts on the deck, screaming about the flyer calling the meatball. The incoming plane is waved off at the last moment, and Schrewe is taken to sickbay. The doctor says it looks like the same situation - chronic, long-term meth use... but Schrewe's last random drug test was also negative, just like Wilkes. Gibbs requires the doctor to make sure Schrewe is conscious to be interviewed at 1500. Gibbs sends Tony to toss Schrewe's rack and Kate to interview the urinalysis coordinator.

Watching the flight deck tapes, Gibbs and Burley find an anomaly - one crew member virtually dancing around on the deck. The tape was made before the liberty stop at Rota; Burley says the drug supplier could have restocked at Nice or a previous port. Kate interviews the urinalysis coordinator. Urine samples are not tested on board; they are shipped stateside. He explains the testing procedures and some ways that the men may try to beat the test. The coordinator feels it unlikely that two men in six weeks should be able to beat the test, but claims that anything's possible. high seas

Gibbs goes to sickbay to interview PO Schrewe, who also claims he has never done drugs, drunk alcohol or even used tobacco in his life. While Gibbs is interviewing Schrewe, a Code Blue is called on Wilkes, who dies. Gibbs watches this occur. Gibbs, Kate and Tony stand on a balcony watching as a large group of men inspects the flight deck. Gibbs believes Wilkes was killed because he would give up his supplier; Kate points out that the whole situation makes no sense. Tony asks after Burley; Gibbs says he is looking at flight deck footage still, and goes to see how he's doing. Kate tries to make Tony's fragile ego feel better, but the sentiment gets lost in translation. Tony and Kate both have great smiles.

In autopsy, Ducky is working on PO Wilkes's body. Gibbs goes into the conference room where Burley is watching tapes and gives Burley a bagel; in return, Burley shows him footage of Reyes handing his men something. Gibbs wants the footage sent to Abby for enhancement, and wants Kate and Tony to get the air boss's take on Reyes. The air boss takes Kate and Tony to watch Reyes putting his crew through what is either hazing or punishment, and mentions that the crew's performance is 50% above average. Kate, Tony and the Air Boss watch from above; Gibbs watches from a secluded alcove to the side as Reyes drives two men through some kind of jumping push up exercise thing. It looks like a scene from "Full Metal Jacket."

Via video conference, Ducky explains how PO Wilkes died - someone put air in his IV drop and the air bubble went into his heart. Instant, unstoppable death, and without question not an accident - the gas bubble in Wilkes's heart was 6% CO₂, meaning it was breath. Gibbs questions the medical corpsman in sickbay but there is no evidence he was involved. Burley found a second set of prints on the saline bag; Wilkes's. He killed himself after taking a call from his "very proud retired CPO father."

Abby, via video conference, reports that all the urine she has retested was clean, but there's a twist: Wilkes and Schrewe's urine are exactly the same - they came from the same person. Kate and Tony now know that someone has been swapping out the urine samples. They go to check the record books and find out who it might be. Abby also reports to Gibbs with the new video; she was able to bring the resolution very high and we see that Reyes is providing his men with small white tablets. Gibbs and Burley go to find out what those tablets might be; Reyes claims they are caffeine tablets such as might be purchased over the counter at any convenience store.

Tony runs the tablets through a drug ID kit and gives a mini-lecture about how it works; they turn up clean. Gibbs is sure Reyes is the supplier. We learn that Tony's work history is a bit uncertain; he has a history of changing jobs every eighteen months to two years. It is pointed out that Tony has now been with NCIS a little over two years. We also learn that, prior to coming to NCIS, Burley was a Senator's aide. Gibbs orders the three to toss Reyes's bunk tomorrow morning while Reyes is occupied with flight ops.

While they are searching, the search-and-rescue mission finds the survivors they are looking for. The trio finds nothing obvious, so they turn off the lights and start using the black light to search. Kate finds some sort of residue on the shelf in Reyes's locker. They examine it in the drug testing kit; it is clean. Gibbs points out that there's no reason for caffeine capsule residue to be on the shelf unless the capsules were emptied for some reason. They decide to go to the one person who might still be holding actual meth capsules: PO Niles. Gibbs interviews Niles, who stridently insists that the only pick-me-up he uses is a cup of coffee in the morning and "a couple of these when I'm on deck" - and he provides Gibbs with a bottle of capsules that looks just like the ones Reyes had. These capsules test positive: they are meth.

Gibbs expresses the need to catch Reyes with the evidence in hand. He has a plan. Of course. We cut to the Air Boss's workstation; he is expressing concern about the crew to Reyes, pushing Reyes to dip into his meth stash. We watch Reyes, who apparently thinks he is quite clever and sneaky, go into the urinalysis coordinator's office. We watch a bit of a rescue operation. Reyes comes out a few minutes later, and Burley goes in, followed by Kate and Tony. They confront the urinalysis coordinator, who (as it turns out) was assigned to two previous ships with Reyes on which Reyes's crew had the distinction of best performance rating on the ship. Burley demands Reyes' stash.

Rescue helicopter lands on the carrier; a survivor is helped away. Reyes enters a room; he is met by Niles, looking worried and sweaty, and claiming that he needs something to help get him going. Reyes takes Niles aside and gives him a capsule; Niles asks for a second, and receives it. Niles studies the capsules in his hand for a moment and then, looking betrayed and sad, he hands the capsules over to Gibbs, who has done his ninja sneak-up-on-you trick and is standing behind Reyes.

Reyes knows he's done for, but tries to justify himself by saying he did what he had to do to get his men up to snuff. Gibbs is deeply unimpressed and arrests Reyes.

We finish up with a very touchy-feely scene on deck as the HQ team is leaving. Burley thanks Gibbs for his help and shakes his hand. Gibbs leaves; Kate shakes Burley's hand and follows Gibbs. Tony comments that Gibbs has never shaken his hand; Burley tells Tony that it was two years before Gibbs looked him in the eye, three before he called him by name and four before he got the name right... then says that Gibbs must really like Tony. Tony's fragile ego feels much better; he shakes Burley's hand and follows Gibbs and Kate.

Gibbs warns Kate about the takeoff, which is going to be as rough as the landing was, only backwards. They take off. Gibbs hollers to find out how Kate is doing; she does not respond. He asks Tony, who responds, "She's smiling." (Which is good, because Kate has a great smile.)

Sub Rosa

Season 1

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Season Episode: 7

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Recurring Role: Sean Murray (Agent Tim McGee), Pancho Demmings (Gerald Jackson)
Guest Stars: Mik Scriba (Mr. Walters), Peter Onorati (Chief of the Boat), Glenn Morshower (Cmdr. Robert Peters), Michael Lowry (Lt. Com. Akron), Ben Murphy (Capt. Veitch), David Monahan (PO Drew), David O'Donnell (Jeb), Reed Rudy (Air Transport Officer), Mat Hostetler (Mess Specialist), Jamie Moss (Seaman Apprentice), J. Robin Miller (Lt. Connors), Eric Ladin (P.O. Thompson)
Production Code: 01007
Summary: A decomposed body is discovered in a tub of acid at a naval base and Ducky and Abby learn that the victim was a submariner. Gibbs discovers that there have been no reports of a sub crewmember missing, so he deduces that one of the subs has an imposter on board. With this new information, the team must find out which sub the man posing as the victim is in and what intentions he may have towards the sub.



Our scene opens nice and industrial: a man on a forklift is loading pallets of large metal drums onto a truck to be carried away. One of the canisters is knocked over and falls open, revealing that it is full of some kind of acid and what appears to be a mostly-acid-eaten corpse.

We find Tony on the phone speaking to an Agent McGee, a case agent who sounds green and needs advice about what to do with whatever he's got. There is banter. Kate knocks over Gibbs' coffee to the sound of background music that would be more appropriate just as the axe murderer appears behind the blonde co-ed. Gibbs looks like he's going to commit

murder, and Tony looks panicked. Kate offers to get him another cup; he refuses, saying the coffee down the hall isn't coffee. As they gear up Tony, looking very concerned, says they are in uncharted waters as he has never seen Gibbs without coffee.

Arriving at Norfolk, we meet the fresh young Agent McGee, who is wearing a surgical mask over his face. He's apparently new at this. (But isn't he cute!) Ducky examines the body, discusses the hydrochloric acid, and opines that the body was in the acid less than 24 hours, judging by the damage. Judging by what's left of the clothes, the corpse was an enlisted man; he has a discoloration on his left forearm that Ducky cannot identify, but anyone who knows body art immediately recognizes a tattoo. Gibbs goes to the gate and interviews a gate guard. They know

that, with security as tight as it is, the body could not have been smuggled on the base; therefore, he was murdered on base by someone with base clearance. Outside the main gate, a small group of protesters walks in a circle, chanting save-the-whales slogans. That night, Tony makes McGee stay and stand guard over the crime scene before he and Kate leave.

The next morning, Ducky and Abby video conference with the team in Norfolk (including McGee). Ducky confirms cause of death on the body was blunt force trauma to the head. Abby confirms that the mark on the arm is in fact a tattoo - the tail of a dolphin, which tells Gibbs that the dead man was a submariner. Gibbs asks McGee for the number of subs in port; we get some insight into McGee's lack of organization skills as he attempts to locate the list. He comes up with it (finally) and we find that the USS Philadelphia left port this morning. Gibbs wants a copy of the alpha rosters. While this is going on, Ducky is giving a lecture on the history of tattooing over the video conference. Gibbs looks extremely exasperated.

Gibbs, Kate and Tony are walking along the docks, discussing that the body was probably put in the acid to obscure its identity. McGee runs up with the alpha rosters, and tells Gibbs that everyone on all the ships is accounted for - including the Philadelphia. Gibbs wants to talk to the submarine squadron commander. McGee advises that he avoid Captain Veitch, who can be "difficult." Gibbs gets right in his face and asks if McGee doesn't think Gibbs can be difficult. McGee is sure Gibbs can, and Gibbs leaves.

Veitch adamantly denies the possibility that someone could slip aboard a sub as an impostor. Gibbs is equally adamant that the possibility is quite real and must be investigated. Gibbs wants the Philadelphia called back, and Veitch refuses; she is on her way to a NATO training mission. Gibbs says that's fine; he wants himself and Kate transported to the sub to conduct their investigation on board. Veitch kicks up a fuss about allowing Kate onto a sub. Gibbs has Kate leave, and then becomes "difficult." Here we learn that Kate has been trained as a profiler. He gets his way and Kate, after a completely unnecessary show of righteous indignation, goes with Gibbs to the sub. She has a great smile.

Gibbs and Kate take a plane to an aircraft carrier, then a helicopter to a frigate, and from the frigate they take a very small boat out to the sub. They explain the situation to Commander Peters. He will cooperate, but the sub is about to commence an Anti-Submarine Warfare exercise in the Atlantic and he is very interested in winning the bet he has with the opposing sub captain. In her lab, Abby works on building a computer model of the dead submariner. She has examined his stomach contents and determined he had a Big Mac and fries as his last meal (and she now knows the composition of McDonalds Special Sauce). Back on the sub, Gibbs and Kate are interviewing their five suspects.

They begin with Petty Officer Drew, who does not know his right from his left and claims to be from South Boston but has no accent. They move on to Petty Officer Thompson, who claims he graduated high school a year late due to mono. After the interviews, Kate and Gibbs have found nothing. Gibbs quizzes the skipper about how the ship could be harmed from the inside; there is a laundry list of ways. The skipper wants them gone; Gibbs says they'll leave when they're done. In her lab, Abby has finished her computer model; he does not look like any of the suspects. She emails the picture to Tony for him to show it around on base in Norfolk. McGee asks Tony what Abby looks like, despite having seen her on the video conference the day prior. Tony tells McGee in no uncertain terms that Abby is out of his league because McGee has no tattoos nor the urge to get one on his buttocks.

On the sub, the sonar has located their target. Gibbs and Kate are certain that the impostor is on this sub; it is the only thing that makes sense. They further deduce that the accomplice must have altered the service record before arriving on the sub; he either worked in personnel or has an accomplice. Gibbs demands that the sub be taken to periscope depth so he can contact Tony. He passes on his suspicion about the service records and sends Tony to investigate.

Ducky comes to Abby with good news and bad news: no DNA match on the body, but Gibbs' theory of altered service records is a good idea; Abby can check crew photos of the five suspects' previous postings. Tony and McGee check out personnel; McGee saves the day by recognizing that if the impostor was working in the personnel office, he would have quit before taking up his fake posting. He learns that Joshua Fox quit recently. On the sub, Gibbs is pushing water down Kate's throat for some reason. Then he sends her to the bathroom to distract the COB, 'unhydrate' is the word he uses, and let him sneak out to question a suspect again. She points out that he could have just asked, and goes, allowing him to escape.

Tony and McGee drive out to Joshua Fox's address and break in to investigate. Gibbs goes to question PO Thompson, who lied about his extra year of high school. Thompson admits he wasn't home sick; he was in juvie. The record was sealed, but Thompson was afraid if the Navy learned of it, he'd never get posted on a sub. Gibbs is caught by the COB and dragged back to the wardroom with Kate. Abby has no matches on the photographs; Ducky gives her a hint by using the word 'absent.' Tony and McGee discover that Fox is an anti-sonar whale-hugger activist and has been developing a tiny canister to deliver sarin gas into a sub's air conditioning system.

Tony gets an emergency message to Gibbs on the sub via low-frequency transmission, advising him of the threat of sarin gas on the ship. The skipper reads it, sends for Gibbs and Kate, has the air conditioning turned off, and orders the ship to surface in an emergency blow. Kate is thrown into Gibbs, who is up against the wall; they hang onto one another for dear life. All the shippers can be heard sighing into their handkerchiefs. The COB comes to get them and they head for the bridge. In her lab, Abby identifies the dead submariner as Petty Officer Drew, who was absent the day the crew picture was taken and had to be in a make-up photo.

On the sub, Drew, who knows he's done for, asks permission for a head call. He leaves as Gibbs and Kate arrive and receive their first message; just then, a second message arrives from Abby identifying Drew as the impostor. The skipper hands it off to Gibbs and Kate, who go looking for Drew. In what may possibly be the fastest suicide ever, Drew has gotten out of his uniform, into his bunk, and suffocated himself with a plastic bag in the space of what might be thirty seconds.

Tony passes the information about Fox and the eco-terrorists to Gibbs. The skipper is heading the sub back to Norfolk; they submerge because subs are faster underwater than on the surface. The ventilation system must remain off due to the continued gas threat; the canister has not been found. Tony returns to D.C. and brings the canister prototype to Abby. She asks about McGee. She also determines that the canister has a bi-metal trigger, which is set off by either extreme heat or extreme cold. This particular canister responds to cold - a temperature of five degrees centigrade, to be exact. On a sub, the air conditioner system or the freezer could be cold enough to trigger this canister.

On the sub, Gibbs is bugged by the lack of sarin gas release. Kate blows it off - "He never had a chance" - but Gibbs doesn't buy it. Why would he commit suicide before he could release it if he knew he was going to die when it was released anyway? The conversation is interrupted by the arrival of ice cream, which might as well be eaten because it will otherwise melt; it had to be taken out of the freezer to make room for the body. This is standard operating procedure on a sub - which the fake Drew would have known! Gibbs goes quickly to the freezer, realizing the fake Drew booby-trapped himself. They open the body bag to find that the gas has already released - inside the corpse. He swallowed the canister before committing suicide. Gibbs and the COB carry the body down to the torpedo room and stuff it into a tube. Kate has run to fill in the skipper, who calls down to the torpedo room with permission to fire. They do so, and live to fight crime another day. And the ice cream is saved also.

Back at HQ, there is banter until McGee arrives with his final report. Tony asks if McGee didn't learn how to use email at MIT. Kate is surprised - "You graduated from MIT?" Gibbs adds, "And Johns Hopkins." McGee is a brain. Then Gibbs asks why McGee is in D.C., and McGee announces that he has a lunch date with Abby. Tony, amused, offers to take McGee to her, reiterating that McGee is not Abby's type. McGee refers back to the "urge" Tony mentioned before (tattooing his buttocks) and states that he took care of that; he went with "Mom." Tony is left speechless as McGee gets in the elevator to go down to the lab.

Kate and Gibbs watch from their desks; Kate wonders what McGee said that left Tony speechless, and Gibbs replies, "He told him he got a tatt on his ass." Gibbs walks away, and we watch Kate watch the elevator, a speculatively sexy look suddenly crossing her face. Clearly, Kate is intrigued. As are we all.

Minimum Security

Season 1
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Recurring Role: Jessica Steen (Special Agent Paula Cassidy), Pancho Demmings (Gerald Jackson)
Guest Stars: Heath Freeman (Benjamin Frank), Michael Shamus Wiles (Jimmy the Bartender), Kevin McCorkle (Col. Dan McClafferty), Erick Avari (William Gamal), Joseph Bey (Nasser Al Jazair), Casey McCarthy (Biker Chick), Paul Vinson (Biker), E. Roger Mitchell (M.P.), Hrach Titizian (Tariq Abassi)
Production Code: 01008
Summary: The NCIS team head to Cuba to investigate a Navy translator's connection to smuggling at a detention center after he suddenly dies at the wheel of his car when returning to the U.S. from Guantanamo Bay.



We join a Jerry Springer episode in progress on the side of a rural road. A biker dude and his chick have broken down. She is complaining that she needs to get back to her old man and he assures her he will get her there. A car comes along and the biker dude tries to flag it down, only to have it swerve off the road at the last minute and hit his bike. Infuriated, Biker Dude snatches the driver's side door open, swearing to kill the driver... who is already dead.

We rejoin our dead motorist as he is being reduced to his component parts on Ducky's autopsy table. An obstruction has been found in the lower intestine. While Gerald opens the intestine to locate the obstruction, Ducky tells an appetizing story about a sumo wrestler's gallstones. Gerald interrupts him to state that the obstruction actually is stones - a number of large, square-cut emeralds. The emeralds perforated the lower digestive tract, causing a number of conditions that led to a painful death. Ducky shares this with Gibbs, but it's not so much the stones as where the stones came from: the deceased smuggled them into the country from Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, where he was employed as a translator at the terrorist detention facility. The deceased is identified as Petty Officer Second Class Khalil Sa'id, from Egypt, a recent transfer to Gitmo from Bahrain, and Gibbs announces that the team is going to Cuba.

Gibbs comes down to Abby's lab, where she tells him that she has a gemologist coming to look at the emeralds. She is going through all of Sa'id's personal belongings. In them, she has found a number of unmailed letters, all with the same return address: NCIS Special Agent Paula Cassidy. There is also a shirt which smells of a peculiar cologne; Gibbs tells Abby to brand it. On the way into the elevator, he runs into DiNozzo - literally, spilling his coffee in the process. DiNozzo has

booked them on a flight to Gitmo; Gibbs says to unbook it, because the Navy is giving them a priority ride today.

On the plane, Tony is waxing ad nauseam about the ride - a \$40 million Gulf stream aircraft. Gibbs, who is trying to work, gives Kate the file on Paula Cassidy, who is out of the loop on the case until they find out why Sa'id had her unmailed letters in his luggage. On arrival at Gitmo, they are met by Cassidy herself, who has arranged them a car and one of the nicest houses on base. Cassidy is clearly aware that she is under investigation: her files have been pulled, her interrogations cancelled, and then the top Major Case Team from D.C. has arrived on her turf. She queries Gibbs, who tells her nothing.

They enter their house on base, where Gibbs wants to get to work, but Tony and Kate are too busy fighting over the best bedroom. Gibbs gets on the phone with Abby, who has identified a second scent on Sa'id's clothing - a woman's perfume. Gibbs tells her to brand it. Her gemologist is coming tomorrow morning. He gets off the phone and Tony and Kate want him to mediate between them on who gets the good bedroom; he solves the problem by kicking them both out of it and taking it himself. He has the Wisdom of Solomon, does Gibbs.

The next morning, Tony rolls over to find that he has gained a bedmate in the night: a large iguana. With a scream reminiscent of a terrified virgin, he jumps out of bed, training his gun on the creature. Kate and Gibbs both come running, armed, and we learn that Tony sleeps in the nude. Something Kate finds very amusing. Gibbs is severely unimpressed and exits the room complaining that he needs coffee. In Abby's lab, her gemologist has arrived, bearing gifts: a bottle of Vudu cologne that Abby's mother said was something she could use. He seems dismayed when she sets it on top of her shelf with the myriad of other colognes she has purchased for use in the case. He verifies that the emeralds are real, and high-quality - each emerald is worth at least \$20,000. But there's more - judging by the distinct color, these emeralds were mined in Afghanistan.

The FBI translator - Bill Gamal - arrives, bringing all the transcripts of the translations Sa'id did with an inmate called Nasser Al-Jazair. Nasser is a recent arrival from Afghanistan who insists he was picked up by mistake. An interrogation room has been booked for Gibbs for this afternoon. They dive into the files; Gibbs sends Tony out to investigate Cassidy. When he returns, his information is that Cassidy is very popular with the gentlemen on base. She hangs out at a club on base. Gibbs sends Tony to check out the club and observe Cassidy if she is there; Gibbs and Kate go out to Camp Delta to interrogate Nasser.

Tony is discussing a movie with the bartender at the club; he knows nothing about the movie or the actors. Cassidy shows; Tony flirts, but she isn't buying it. Gibbs interrogates Nasser with Gamal translating and Kate watching from observation. At the news that Sa'id is dead, Nasser reacts strongly, and pulls out his prayer beads. Tony watches Cassidy dance, and is outed by the bartender as investigating her. They verbally spar. Tony orders tequila and a beer and asks Cassidy to dance. At Camp Delta, Gibbs gets little information from Nasser. He shows Nasser a picture of the emeralds. Kate knows that Nasser already knows about the emeralds - she can tell from his body language. Nasser requests to be returned to his cell to pray; Gibbs orders him transferred to isolation instead. Nasser flips out, starts yelling in Arabic that Cassidy promised him a transfer to minimum security. Tony and Cassidy are dancing when Gibbs calls, orders Tony to bring Cassidy back to their house.

At the house, Gibbs questions Cassidy about Nasser. His transfer to minimum security was a reward for cooperation. Cassidy demands to know what is going on. Gibbs asks about the letters; Cassidy claims Sa'id was going to mail them for her because mail out of Gitmo is slow. Gibbs wants to open them; Cassidy refuses. Gibbs threatens a court order, tells Cassidy that Sa'id is dead. She finally gives them permission to open the letters. She also offers to let them search her apartment; Gibbs accepts and sends Tony to check Cassidy's apartment and Kate to check Sa'id's. They discover that Sa'id had a key to Cassidy's apartment, but she has no key to his.

Sa'id's hard drive arrives at Abby's lab. Ducky tells Abby that his mother wears Chanel No. 5 a la Marilyn Monroe. At Gitmo, Gamal reports that Nasser is extremely upset about his transfer to isolation. Gibbs cares, we can tell. He is tossing Nasser's cell. He finds nothing. In the house, he video conferences with Abby, who has found that the perfume on Sa'id's clothing is called Escada. As she says this, Tony and Kate return. She also reports that Sa'id deleted more than 20 GB of porn from his laptop before turning it in to Gitmo security. Tony reports that there is a bottle of Escada in Cassidy's apartment. Kate reports that Sa'id's room was completely bare; he

did not plan to come back to Gitmo. Tony thinks Sa'id copied Paula's key without her knowledge. Gibbs insinuates Tony is thinking with his libido; incensed, Tony goes to bed. Kate defends Tony; Gibbs tells her that romance between agents never works. The voice of experience?

The next day, Gibbs meets Cassidy and questions her about the key. She says she lost a key; Sa'id could have stolen it, possibly to gain access to her computer. She kept her interrogation notes there, including a note that she had become suspicious of Sa'id's translations, which seemed shorter than the actual conversations taking place. She notes that Sa'id took leave the day after she wrote that. Gibbs tells her about the emeralds and that he thinks they came from Nasser; Cassidy remembers that Nasser claimed constipation on his arrival at Gitmo and was given a laxative. In the lab, Abby is going through Sa'id's porn, noting that the file sizes are too large to be simple images. She finds Easter eggs hidden in the porn - secret links that hide more information when clicked. In this case, it's communications written in Arabic and diagrams of the camp. She sends them to Gibbs.

Gamal translates the letters; they discuss someone called "Son-in-law" and his movements in the camp. It turns out that one of the prisoners at Gitmo is one of Osama bin Laden's sons-in-law, and that Nasser was actually sent to Gitmo to kill him. Now they need to find this son-in-law, for which all they need to do is transfer Nasser to minimum security and wait to see who he tries to kill. For this, they must tread carefully. They put Cassidy back on Nasser's interrogations (she tells him that Gibbs has gone back to D.C. and been reprimanded); then she moves Nasser back to his old cell, and he is moved from there to minimum security as he was promised.

They set up sharpshooters to mind their target; they believe he will try to do the kill in the exercise yard. Instead, Nasser creates a diversion and slips into another barracks where he finds his target. The security guards are in the yard, so the agents all run for it; Cassidy shoots Nasser in the shoulder before he is able to kill his target. When Tony points out that he would have killed Nasser, Cassidy says no; she didn't want to make him a martyr.

Cassidy flies back to D.C. with the Washington group. Kate indirectly cajoles Tony into going and sitting with Cassidy to try and make her feel better. Kate has a great smile. Tony and Paula make up.

Marine Down

Season 1

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Recurring Role:	Pancho Demmings (Gerald Jackson), Alan Dale (NCIS Director Tom Morrow)
Guest Stars:	Carlos Sanz (Gonzales), Jennifer Tighe (Lisa Peary), John Rubinstein (Bob), Richard Brooks (Lieutenant Colonel Walsh), Jason Brooks (Marine Major Danny O'Donnell), Rebecca Boyd (Sarah Kidwell), Erich Anderson (Jack Canton), Crystal Allen (Laura), Ron Baker (Major Craig Peary), Michael Sarysz (Corporal James Travis), Victor Bonavida (Zack), George Stumpf (Crew Chief)
Production Code:	01009
Summary:	After a marine widow receives a call from her dead husband, the NCIS team takes on the case and has to exhume the body to deduce whether the call was a prank or not.



We open at a funeral. Two mourners discuss how the deceased's command will not even tell his widow - Sarah - how he died. We learn the deceased's name - Jim. Just as the grieving widow is located, on a couch and looking lost, the telephone rings. She stands and goes to answer it - and the voice on the other end of the line identifies itself as her husband, insisting he is not dead!

We join our heroes at the firing range, where a number of shooters are practicing. Tony asks Kate if she's nervous; she sarcastically confirms that she's "shaking." A siren sounds; they shoot. Another

siren sounds; they stop. Everyone heads down the range to check their targets. We see that the target is a drawing of a man holding a woman hostage. In multiple shots, Kate has only hit her target twice - a double tap in the head - and all her other shots went wide to the man's safe side. Tony, by contrast, has hit his target every time - except for once, when he shot the hostage's ear off. (Tony: "She'll live!") They debate who won. Gibbs ninjas up behind them to check their work and decides to add a little pressure to the situation. He tells Kate to relax her shoulders (complete with a little shoulder-rub that gets all the shippers hot and bothered), tapes Tony's beloved NCIS cap over the face of the hostage on his target, then does the same on Kate's target using her PDA. When they both protest, he advises them not to miss.

As they head back to their firing positions, Kate and Tony discuss the feasibility of breaking into Gibbs' house and setting his boat on fire. Gibbs gets a call - they've caught a case. He tells them the situation that we, of course, already know. But before they leave, he wants to see how Kate and Tony will shoot under pressure.

Back at HQ, Tony sulkily bequeaths his beloved hat - which now sports two 9mm holes - to Abby, who is appreciative. He has called her from her lab for help; he is trying to get the records on the dead Marine, Major Jim Kidwell, but his computer won't allow it. They find the problem: he doesn't have a high enough security clearance. Abby inquires how the Marine died; that is pretty much the info Tony was looking for.

At the Kidwell home, Gibbs and Kate are interviewing the widow. Gibbs points out that in most cases of this type of crank calling, the prankster turns out to be someone who knows the prankee; usually someone with a grudge. Mrs. Kidwell insists she thinks the voice was her husband's. Gibbs asks permission to put a trace on the phone in case another call comes. The doorbell rings; a woman enters with two children. She is introduced as Lisa Peary, whose husband was in Kidwell's unit and died with him. Mrs. Peary and Mrs. Kidwell feel that as Marine wives they have done their part; they got two sealed caskets and no information from their husbands' command. Now they are demanding answers.

Returning to HQ, Gibbs asks Tony for information; Tony is only able to say that Kidwell was involved in classified stuff; he has lost his security clearance due to a paperwork mix-up. According to NCIS personnel, he's actually dead! Kate tries to get the information; she is blocked as well, and she was cleared for Air Force One with the Secret Service. Gibbs also tries. While he is trying, Kate picks up her PDA. There is a bullet hole right through the center of it. She looks very sad, and yearns wistfully for a warranty that covers bullets.. Gibbs is also blocked from the information. He returns to his desk and receives a phone call. Turns out, NCIS is being blocked from the information they are looking for. The call is from Kidwell and Peary's CO; he wants to meet with them privately on base at Quantico.

The team meets with Lieutenant Colonel Walsh off the record; he is a tall and well-built Caucasian gentleman in his middle forties. He tells the team that Kidwell and Peary were on a classified assignment in Central America and went native as part of their cover; they were murdered by a prostitute who spiked their drinks with formaldehyde over an unpaid bill. Gibbs says he wants the paperwork. Walsh says he will see what he can do and leaves. As the team heads back to their car, Gibbs gets a phone call: it's Abby. She says that the technicians installing the trace at the Kidwells' home located another trace already on the line - one that came from Quantico. Gibbs storms into Lt. Col. Walsh's office. The Colonel's aide says he is in a meeting, which Gibbs barges into, team in tow. He demands to know where Lt. Col. Walsh is. A thin Black man in his early forties stands up and identifies himself as Lt. Col. Walsh.

The real Lt. Col. Walsh has no idea how his men died. He also doesn't know who they were working for. Walsh is an administrator; when his Marines go out of country, they could be working for anyone. Walsh does not know who they were working for; Gibbs and Tony interpret this as "one of the A's: CIA, NSA..." Gibbs wants to know of Walsh stopped to check and see if his men were inside those closed caskets before sending them on to the families.

Back at HQ, Gibbs and Morrow discuss the case. Gibbs does not buy the official story; he knows that either Kidwell and Peary died doing something they shouldn't have been doing, or Kidwell really did make that phone call. He asks Morrow for help getting into the sealed records; Morrow will see what he can do.

In Abby's lab, Kate and Tony are arguing over a program Abby is running which - if done properly - can generate an image of the phony Col. Walsh. Gibbs wants Tony to pull the dead Marines' LES's (Leave and Earnings Statements); Kate volunteers to do that, citing the very shaky excuse that Tony has a better handle on the program. Gibbs allows it, and Kate pulls Tony into the next room to find out what LES's are and how to get them. She vanishes upstairs. While she is on the telephone, she breaks out her trusty sketch pad and pencil. When she returns to the lab, she finds the rest of her team laboring over the computer to produce an image of... Illya Kuryakin. No, wait, that's a young Ducky, that's who that is. And since apparently Kate is the only person doing any work today, she produces her sketch of the fake colonel. Tony grabs her sketch book and flips through it, finding Kate's unflattering caricatures of himself drooling over something in a skirt and Abby as a vampire bat. Predictably, Abby falls in love with the one of herself and demands to be allowed to frame it and hang it up.

Gibbs wants the LES's in twelve hours; he wants Abby to run the fake colonel's picture through the military databases. Leaving his trustworthy team to do the legwork, he visits Maj. Kidwell's grave, and is photographed without his knowledge.

The next morning, Gibbs arrives at HQ at the same time as Mrs. Kidwell, who reports that

there was another phone call, this one to Maj. Kidwell's friend, Maj. O'Donnell, who has the call on tape because it came to his answering machine. Abby runs the tape against voice-recognition software, comparing the voice on the machine to Maj. Kidwell's voice from some old home movies. A tiresome explanation ensues, because Abby needs lines and we need technical details, but it's always fun to listen to her talk about things we don't understand, so we put up with it about as long as Gibbs does. Long and short: it's definitely Kidwell on the phone.

Kidwell's casket is exhumed and brought to Autopsy. The casket is opened with O'Donnell there as a witness. He confirms that the extremely fresh body in the casket is in fact Kidwell.

Kate and Tony discuss the case in the squad room. They have no explanation. Gibbs isn't through with the case; they keep working. Ducky begins his autopsy. He is going to have a hard time determining time of death; the body has already been professionally embalmed. Cause of death is another question. The official cause (line of duty) usually implies injuries received in combat; aside from minimal bruising at the wrists, Maj. Kidwell is unhurt. Except for being dead, of course. There's also no way to tell if he's been poisoned because there's no blood left in his body due to being embalmed.

Upstairs, Kate has the LES's in order and ready to be examined. Gibbs thoughtfully informs us that the reason he wants them is because they will tell where Kidwell was stationed and who was paying him. Useful information. He walks away; rounding a corner, we see him receive a phone call. It is Mrs. Peary, who does not appreciate being interrogated by Special Agent DiNozzo, who she says is with her now at the playground where she is airing out her children. Gibbs looks over the wall and sees DiNozzo standing at his desk, on the telephone. Apparently, Tony has either mastered the art of being in two places at once, or something hinky is happening. Gibbs asks Mrs. Peary to keep "DiNozzo" there, and heads for her location.

In autopsy, Ducky finds that the embalming incision in Maj. Kidwell's neck has been stuffed with newspaper. He sends Gerald with it to Abby, and returns to inspecting the incision. With a start, he jumps away from the body, horrified, then announces that he knows how Kidwell died.

At the playground, Gibbs runs up to Mrs. Peary, but the fake DiNozzo is gone. He shows Mrs. Peary Kate's sketch; she identifies him as the fake DiNozzo. He finds out what direction the man took and sends Mrs. Peary home. Then he chases the man. He locates him on a side street, chases him, and shoots at him as he enters a bulletproof sedan and drives away.

Back at HQ, Tony and Kate are working up the information from the LES. We learn here that Tony is a two-fingered typist. Gibbs returns, tells Kate and Tony about his encounter. They tell him that they have learned that Kidwell and Peary were transferred to a new unit in September, but they don't have the information on it because its number wasn't in the Marine Corps database. Gibbs advises them that it was definitely CIA on account of the economy-class armored car. They head down to Autopsy, where Ducky advises them that the dearly departed was embalmed alive. In Abby's lab, she has processed the paper in Kidwell's neck, which was definitely newspaper - dated December 12, 2003. The funeral when the call came in was December 8; the current date is December 14.

In the squad room, plans are made to examine Peary's grave using ground-penetrating radar. We move to the cemetery, half-expecting Buffy Summers to come running past at any moment chasing something with fangs. The radar is calibrated using the grave of Miss Agatha O'Leary and her poodle, Fluffy. Then it is turned on the grave of Maj. Peary, revealing that the casket contains what appear to be cinder blocks.

In her lab, Abby has identified the identity thief; his name is Jack Canton, and he is definitely CIA. Abby got his identity from the Marine detachment at the Colombian embassy. Despite the lateness of the hour - 3 a.m. - Gibbs sets Kate and Tony to find out where the newspaper was published that was found inside Kidwell. He and Morrow get the director of the CIA out of bed and demand answers. It turns out that Kidwell and Peary were kidnapped by Colombian insurgents. The CIA paid the ransom - \$2 million - but the insurgents killed the Marines anyway. It further seems that Canton was the agent responsible for paying the ransom. It looks like he kept the money for himself and left the Marines to die. Canton is now on his way back to Colombia. The CIA director insists he will handle this in-house. After the call is over, Morrow tells Gibbs to go get their Marine.

The team takes a priority ride to Colombia - slung between pallets. It doesn't look pleasant. Tony reads a magazine and eats a hamburger; Gibbs sleeps and Kate is violently motion-sick. Gibbs wakes when they are about half an hour out of Colombia. Kate learns that there is no

bathroom on a cargo plane; women everywhere shudder in sympathy when Gibbs offers her a plastic bag and the relative privacy of "if you want some privacy, you can probably go down behind those boxes there."

On arrival, the team meets with Canton's partner, Gonzales, who says they've lost Canton; they tracked him to an insurgent camp, but he was gone by the time they got there. The newspaper came from a town called Bosa, which Gonzales confirms is about ten miles away. They trek to Bosa, where there is apparently only one funeral home, which is currently in use seeing an elderly lady off on her final journey. Canton's car is parked out front. The team moves in. Through a small window, Gibbs sees Peary on a table, his own live embalming about to begin. He shoots the embalmer. They storm the funeral home. Tony and Gonzales come in from the front; Kate and Gibbs come in through the back.

As they make their way in, Tony is shot at from around a corner, then a grenade is thrown into the hall where Gibbs and Kate are. They manage to get back alive, but Gibbs is wounded in his right shoulder by the explosion. From around the corner, Canton speaks: he will shoot Peary if Gibbs doesn't come around the corner unarmed. Gonzales steps forward instead, trying to talk to his partner; Canton shoots him in the heart.

Gibbs tells Kate quietly to relax her shoulders, tosses his weapon and comes around the corner. His arm is dripping blood from his shoulder wound. He speaks with Canton, who taunts him while holding Peary hostage. Kate and Tony signal one another silently, then burst around the corner, shooting.

The scene changes to a suburban yard, decorated very tacky for Christmas. The two Peary children are kicking a soccer ball in the front yard under their mother's watchful eye when a car drives up. They stop playing to watch as Tony, Kate and Gibbs (whose right arm is in a sling) get out of the car, followed by Major Peary. There is a tearful reunion which is all filmed from the left side. The camera rounds to the right, and we see that someone has shot Maj. Peary's right ear off.

On the sidewalk, Kate and Tony debate who actually shot the Major's ear off. They have just decided to ask Gibbs when the Mysterious Redhead in the silver Beemer shows up. Gibbs hops in, kisses her cheek and, with sexy Bond-ish music in the background, the Beemer drives off, leaving us all to wonder just exactly who drives around with the top down in Virginia in winter.

Left for Dead

Season 1

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Season Episode: 10

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Writer: Donald P. Bellisario, Don McGill
Director: James Whitmore Jr.
Show Stars: Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard)
Recurring Role: Pancho Demmings (Gerald Jackson)
Guest Stars: Norbert Weisser (Dr. Rutger), Kenneth Tigar (Digger Aldridge), Jim Rash (Dr. Joel Sanderson), Elena Jovis (Blonde Chemist), Al Espinosa (Tom Verne), Asante Jones (Detective Andy Kochifis), Derek de Lint (Dr. Stephen Bauer), Phil Abrams (Hotel Manager), Daniella Kuhn (Saleswomen), Michael Edward Rose (Walter Richter), Sherilyn Fenn (Jane Doe / Suzanne McNeil)
Production Code: 01010
Summary: After being buried alive, a woman comes out of the grave with amnesia and the only thing she remembers is that there is a bomb aboard a Navy ship. While trying to help Jane Doe recover her identity, the team finds out that not everything is what it seemed at first.



The scene opens on a snowy road; a car is making its way through a wooded area. The camera pans through the wooded area and we watch a woman in a dress dig herself out of a shallow grave. Bleeding from a head wound, she makes her way up to the road and stops the next car to come by. She doesn't know her name, but she does know that there is a bomb on a Navy ship and people are going to die.

Opening credits.

We join Gibbs in his basement. This morning he is not working on his boat; he is asleep under its shell. The television blares the opening of the U.S. Farm Report as the telephone rings. It is Tony, calling from the office at 05:20. He's slept there all night; the boiler in his apartment building blew, so he has neither heat nor electricity and will not for a month. He teases Gibbs about falling asleep working on the boat. Gibbs heats his coffee in a very unsanitary manner, if not a typically male one. Tony fills Gibbs in on what we've already seen. Gibbs has Tony send Kate to the hospital. Tony leads in to asking if he can stay with Gibbs. Gibbs flatly refuses. Indications are that things didn't go well at all the last time Tony stayed with Gibbs. Who's surprised? Talk about the Odd Couple!

At the snowy crime scene, Ducky is taking pictures. He gives Gibbs a lecture about why graves are dug six feet deep. We learn that this grave was quite shallow and apparently hastily dug; the grave digger also left no tracks. Gibbs sends Ducky out to check if there are any more bodies. At the hospital, Kate learns about amnesia from a doctor who rambles in a way that is not nearly as cool as Ducky. We learn that our Jane Doe suffered blunt force trauma to the head and had some petechial (pinpoint) hemorrhaging on her eyelids which indicate suffocation (probably from

being buried alive). Kate gets her first look at Jane Doe, who is lying on a gurney looking sad and pathetic with a bandage wrapped around her head. There is discussion of the amnesia and we learn that Jane Doe's memory may come back in a flash or may come back slowly over a period of days or weeks. We watch as Jane Doe is hustled into a wheelchair and taken past Kate into the bowels of the hospital, for some neurological tests. She gives Kate some puppy-dog eyes as she passes.

Back at the crime scene, Gibbs is on the phone with Kate, who wants to put Jane Doe's picture on TV to find someone who knows her and can help her. Gibbs, who is looking at things more from the perspective of finding a culprit, says no. He wants the gravedigger to think Jane Doe is dead. Gibbs is clearly unimpressed with Kate's humanitarian standpoint. He is busy digging up the dirt of the shallow grave and running it through a soil sifter, looking for clues. Thus far, he has found an arrowhead and a shark's tooth, which he gives to Ducky, who has not found any more bodies. We learn how a shark's tooth could get into Rock Creek Park, and then Ducky wants to notify ARPA. Gibbs will do so, after he finishes processing. Ducky points out that the fine for disturbing an archaeological site is \$250,000, but Gibbs points out in return that it was a crime scene first. We think Gibbs' time line may be a bit off, but he's in charge. (And he's hot, so who wants to argue?) Ducky starts telling another story.

At the hospital, Kate is interviewing Jane Doe and taking her fingerprints. Jane Doe is a very sweetly pathetic sort. Kate wants Jane Doe's clothes to run through forensics looking for explosive residue. Kate begins to take fingerprints; Jane Doe believes she may have done this before. Kate says this is good news; Jane will be in a database somewhere. Jane pessimistically points out that it might be a terrorist list. Kate points out that knowing a bomb is there doesn't mean Jane placed it. The crucifix around Kate's neck makes Jane have a flashback of being in a church.

Back at the crime scene again, Ducky is telling another story. Tony is listening while Gibbs actually works. He segues into trying to ask Ducky if he can stay at his place, and Ducky neatly blocks that line of inquiry. Gibbs finds a key in the dirt he's sifting through. It goes back to the lab and Abby, who reports that it is a magnetized key to open a magnetic lock, a hotel room or any high-security lock. Kate arrives inquiring about the fingerprints and clothing. Abby has no hits on the prints yet but the gas chromatograph is still running on the clothing. Gibbs asks about the interview; we learn that Kate has learned nothing of use but is definitely bonded with Jane. The gas chromatograph reports that there are definitely traces of high-grade explosives on her clothing.

In the hospital, Jane Doe now believes she is a terrorist. She goes on about strawberries and blueberries and Kate tries to be nice to her. Kate points out that the residue could have come from a legitimate occupation. The woman replies skeptically that maybe she is an explosiveshersteller which is apparently German for bomb-maker. This is a clue! Perhaps Jane works for a German firm out of D.C. This only makes Jane believe more strongly that she has placed a bomb on a ship; Kate points out that maybe Jane knows who did put the bomb there and that person tried to kill her. "Why do you believe in me?" Jane asks. (We all wonder the same thing, Jane.) Kate replies, "Why do you like blueberries?"

Outside the room, the doctor refuses to release Jane as long as she doesn't know her name, though she's in no medical danger. Kate and Jane come around the corner with the miraculous news that Jane has remembered who she is - her name is 'Maureen Ingalls' and she lives in Alexandria. Kate will take Maureen into protective custody at her home. The doctor takes Maureen to get a set of scrubs since she has no clothing. Gibbs, who knows better, asks who Maureen Ingalls is; we learn that she is Kate's cousin. In the conversation that follows, Kate goes very mama-bear over Jane Doe. Gibbs allows it, but clearly has reservations.

In the lab, Abby has matched the key to a system manufactured for a hotel. Tony notes tiny writing on the key's surface. It reads "The Apartment" when magnified, etched by a micro-laser. At Kate's extremely nice apartment (which must cost a pretty penny for a place that size in D.C., and we all begin to wonder how much she makes), Jane knows that the ship in question was not a carrier or a submarine. Kate notes that there are no active battleships, so the ship must be either a cruiser or a destroyer. Jane is sure it's one or the other and suggests searching them. Kate points out that there are 18 destroyers and 7 cruisers in Norfolk alone.

In the lab, Abby has found that there are only three hotels in the D.C. area that use the magnetic keys. The first one is the Jackson Hotel (whose number Gibbs knows off the top of his

head). They begin calling hotels. Kate and Jane are looking over a list of ship names, hoping one will jog Jane's memory. We learn that Navy cruisers are named after famous battles and the destroyers are named after Navy heroes. (Useful the next time anyone wants to play Trivial Pursuit, yes?) Jane finagles her way into getting Kate to take her out to dinner. She's a bit on the melodramatic side. Most of us would just say we could use a sandwich, but Jane is weak from hunger. They get coats; the one Kate gives Jane is floral and fairly ugly. But Jane thinks she has a coat like this. Kate points out that it is a designer coat carried by only a few stores in the area.

In the lab, we learn that none of the hotels micro-etch their keys, but that the Jackson takes permanent residents. Tony pushes his luck wanting to know how Gibbs knows so much about the Jackson; Gibbs finally breaks and tells him that his ex-wife lives there. Kate and Jane go shopping, but Jane doesn't remember anything until a big bald guy wanders into a women's apparel shop. Jane has a flashback to the man who attacked her, who was apparently also big and bald. Gibbs and Tony are investigating the room at the Jackson that matches the magnetic key. The key opens the door; when they enter, they find the big bald guy from Jane's flashback lying dead on the floor of a head wound... and surrounded by loose cash.

There is negotiation with the D.C. Metro detective who comes to investigate; Gibbs wants to keep the investigation as it is related to Jane Doe and the possible bomb. Ducky embarrasses the Metro ME into giving up the body. The corpse has been dead at least eighteen hours. Tony begins checking the room for bloodstains on whatever object might be the murder weapon; it turns out to have been a bust of JFK.

Kate and Jane go for dinner someplace nice. Kate throws the name of the dead man - Walter Richter - at Jane; she has no reaction. She does have a flashback of being at a similar restaurant all alone and sad and pathetic. In the lab, Abby has found a partial palm print on the bust of JFK. There's not enough to use for identification, though. However, on the good news side of things, a print lifted off the desk in the hotel room belongs to Jane Doe. In Autopsy, Ducky places the time of death of the victim at least 44 hours ago. It's a safe bet that the dead man is not the grave digger.

Tony finds good news in the background on the dead man; Richter was the head of security for a German firm called BFF, which makes bomb-detecting devices for the U.S. Navy. At the BFF headquarters, Gibbs and Tony question Richter's boss, a German fellow called Dr. Brauer. Brauer was at the hotel suite Friday, entertaining some business associates from Berlin. The hotel suite is registered in Richter's name to keep it secret from any competitors. Tony inquires about their explosiveshersteller, who Brauer identifies as Suzanne McNeil.

Brauer asks if Suzanne is dead; they do not answer, instead asking what Suzanne does. She formulates explosives for BFF's tests. He asks again to be told that Suzanne is not dead; Tony answers that Suzanne is not dead. Brauer freezes; his hands tremble. Clearly something is not right; Tony and Gibbs both comment. Brauer plays it off as a natural response due to Gibbs' line of questioning. He shows Gibbs and Tony a picture of McNeil - she is Jane Doe.

Back at HQ, Kate takes Suzanne to see Richter's body. Suzanne has a flashback to Richter giving her an envelope full of cash - six months severance, and he advises she takes it. She remembers whacking Richter with the JFK bust. She tells Kate that she remembers nothing, and leaves quickly.

At BBF HQ, Gibbs is on the phone with Kate. He has emailed Kate Suzanne's personnel file, and has some ideas about why Brauer might want her dead. Kate calls out to Suzanne, who has her back to Kate; she reacts, but only with her face and eyes, carefully controlling her body. She remembers; we know she remembers.

Tony has learned that the new bomb-sniffer BFF is working on isn't working as well as it should. It is being tested in a lab at BFF. Brauer shows them to the lab. Kate gives Suzanne her personnel file to try and jog her memory, and points out to the "sad and lonely woman" that there is still time for a husband and kids. Suzanne points out in a very jaded manner that the good ones are all married. Tony and Gibbs question Brauer about his relationship to Suzanne; he points out that he is happily married. Gibbs makes a reference to the movie "The Apartment". Bauer denies having an affair with Suzanne. In the lab, we find that the tests being run on the bomb-sniffing equipment are done on a mock-up of the interior of a Navy ship.

At HQ, Suzanne is still "trying to remember." Kate tells her to give it time; Suzanne points out that she may not have it since someone tried to kill her and someone bashed in Richter's head. She asks Kate to take her to her job, let her sit at her desk and try to remember there, in

familiar surroundings. Kate falls for it. Gibbs and Tony watch a test of the bomb-sniffer. We get more information about Suzanne's job - her job is to make explosives that the bomb sniffer can't detect, to push its boundaries and make it better. Bomb maker - 1; sniffer - 0.

Kate does something silly; she lets Suzanne go to her desk alone, and waits in the lobby, where she meets up with Gibbs, Tony and Brauer. Suzanne returns to the lobby. She flashes back to the church; Brauer was at the church. She flashes back to the restaurant; Brauer was there with his wife. She flashes back to struggling with Brauer and then falling, hitting her head on a chair leg. She approaches and greets Brauer as though she does not know him. Gibbs points out that this is good and bad; bad because she can't give Brauer the explosive formula and good because she can't pin her attempted murder on Brauer. They go apart to speak privately.

Suddenly Kate's brain begins to function as she watches the conversation. Everyone cheers. Suzanne accuses Brauer of not having the guts to leave his wife but he could bury Suzanne. She warns him to keep a pleasant face; he wouldn't want the agents to suspect anything. Gibbs and Tony discuss the lack of possibility of Tony coming to stay with Gibbs. Kate is actually thinking for the first time all day. Brauer points out to Suzanne that what happened in the office was an accident; she was out of control. He offers her anything. She wants a wedding ring. He says he'll give it to her; he'll divorce his wife and marry Suzanne. She doesn't buy it; he didn't even have the guts to dump her in person - that's what Walter was for.

It occurs to Kate that Suzanne knew how Richter died without being told and without seeing the wound. Finally. Suzanne stands up with a small round object in her hand - a highly volatile explosive compound. Brauer jumps up, screaming that she has a bomb. Suzanne turns and says "Sorry, Kate" before dropping it. The whole world goes to hell.

Outside, later, the medics are patching up Kate, who was closest to the explosion and got pretty banged up. She also looks like someone just kicked her puppy in the head and pulled her braids. Tony wants to help make her feel better; Gibbs knows this is not possible. Kate will have to work through it on her own. Tony walks away; Gibbs calls after him to let him know he can stay at Gibbs' place. Gibbs and Kate share a significant eye contact across the busy parking lot.

Eye Spy

Season 1

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Season Episode: 11

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Director: Alan J. Levi
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Recurring Role: Sean Murray (Agent Tim McGee), Pancho Demmings (Gerald Jackson)
Guest Stars: Greg Zola (Worth), James Morrison (CIA Assistant Director Jonathan Overmeier), Marguerite MacIntyre (Commander Lauren Tyler), Bruce Gray (CIA Director Roper), Mercedes Colón (Gina), Katy Boyer (Lieutenant Egan), Victor McCay (Ash), Parry Shen (Ben Richmond), Patrick Macmanus (Seaman Apprentice Sparks), Howard Dell (Gym Manager), John Marrott (Master Chief PO Roo), Jane Hajduk (Attractive Woman)
Production Code: 01011
Summary: When a Navy commander, who was a technical advisor to a civilian contractor for a Navy weapon, is found dead on the beach, the NCIS team investigates the murder using satellite technology.



We join two idiots in the progress of violating several federal laws. It seems that the one in charge of the satellite was repositioning from Cuba up to Quebec and glitched over Little Creek Naval Base at just the right moment to spot a woman sunbathing nude on the beach. Unfortunately as they are watching, the woman sees something unusual - someone has pulled up onto the beach in an SUV - and she gets up to run away. They zoom out to see what is going on, and they watch in pixels as the man who pulled up on

the beach is murdered.

Tony enters from the elevator, munching on a doughnut. He offers one to Kate, who refuses, saying she likes keeping her belt notched exactly where it is. (She also sounds a little hoarse; Caitlin seems to have a cold.) There is brief discussion of Tony's weight, about which he seems to be a wee bit sensitive. Gibbs comes in during this conversation and smirks a little bit (which is very nice), then gets a call. We watch Tony tighten his belt to the point that he can't breathe. Gibbs hangs up and announces a murder at Little Creek. Red-faced from the lack of air, Tony follows Gibbs out as Kate, calling Ducky, grins at him. Kate's got a great smile.

The team is approaching the body across a familiar stretch of beach. A fellow in fatigues tells Gibbs that he located the body after an anonymous tip was called in to base security. The victim has been identified as Lt.Cmdr. Thomas Egan. As they approach the body, Tony points out that the body has not been robbed; he is still wearing an expensive Tag Heuer watch. Kate begins taking crime scene photos. The fellow in fatigues reports to Gibbs that Egan was attached as a technical adviser to SideScan, a civilian contractor on the base. He knows nothing else as the SideScan work is classified.

Things get busy when Ducky realizes the tide is rising; the body must be kept dry in order to preserve evidence. Everyone kicks it into high gear. Gibbs and Tony begin taking measurements as quickly as possible; Kate takes more photographs. Measurements are taken; Kate notes that Egan's dive knife is missing. A wave comes up; Tony self-sacrificially tosses himself between the very cold water and the body, successfully keeping the body mostly dry but soaking himself in the process. Did we mention it's January in Virginia? Brr.

At the SideScan offices, Egan's co-workers are shocked and appalled to learn that he is dead. They last saw him early that morning as he was heading out to do some underwater tests on a piece of equipment. The man (Overmeier) asks if they found a device with Egan's body. Turns out, Egan was working on a hand held sonar gun. Overmeier's company developed the gun; Egan and the woman (Cmdr. Tyler) were evaluating it. Gibbs seizes Egan's computer and anything else he thinks they might need. This does not make Tyler or Overmeier happy.

At the Little Creek Quarterdeck, Tony (dressed fashionably in Ducky's spare jumpsuit which is at least two sizes too small and several inches too short - why hasn't his voice gone up an octave?) is obtaining the information about where the anonymous tip came from. The call came in at 09:32, no name, but the voice was male and nervous. The caller ID on the call was blocked. Tony goes to McGee, who hacks the database to find out who made the phone call. While McGee works, we learn that he is still seeing Abby occasionally. McGee locates the number; for some reason there is an asterisk after it. Tony tells him to find out why.

Kate and Gibbs go to Egan's house to interview his wife. Gibbs can't read the small print on Kate's PDA. Lieutenant (Mrs.) Egan answers the door, looking all sad and crying. Lt. Egan states that she was gone all weekend to Camp Lejeune for a seminar; when she arrived home, the notification detail was at her house to tell her that her husband was dead. She last spoke to her husband around 10pm the previous night, and was unaware that he was going diving that morning. However, as a SEAL, it was not unusual for him to go diving many times in the week. She also did not know what his project was; the Lt. Cmdr. was very strict about classified information.

In Autopsy, Gerald is going to open the body bag when it moves. He jumps back. Ducky is exasperated with him until he, too, sees the body bag move. They open it carefully; a crab jumps out.

Kate and Gibbs park out on a strip of asphalt somewhere. They discuss the possibility that Egan's death is espionage. Tony arrives and shares that the anonymous tip came from a restricted phone in Langley, VA; which leads Gibbs to believe it's the CIA.

Back at HQ, Kate enters with a computer tower. Tony, dressed again in his own clothing (thank God), is eating a "nutrition" bar. Kate mocks him for it, pointing out that it's not nearly as healthy as he thinks it is. She reads the ingredients, which make us all want a banana, and Abby arrives for Egan's computer. Abby asks after Gibbs but he is in with Director Morrow, trying to get a meeting with the CIA to find out about the anonymous tip. Time of death was established as 09:30, the tip came in at 9:32, and Langley is over 200 miles from Little Creek. Abby points out that this is impossible; Gibbs, who has arrived to retrieve his coat, rebuts that it's not impossible if someone from the CIA was watching on a high-definition satellite.

Gibbs meets privately with someone from the CIA (Roper), who insists that this could not have happened. Gibbs points out everything he has - dead Egan, missing classified prototype, and anonymous phone call originating from the CIA building. Roper does not deny the capability, but points out that domestic spying, such as what this points to, is illegal. Gibbs points out that they both work for the same government, and politely (for Gibbs) asks for Roper's help. Roper refuses. Gibbs takes another route - Abby has a boytoy who works at NASA and can help them track down their satellite user. Great insight into Abby's deeply playful nature. Ashton locates the building and office from which the satellite was controlled that saw the murder.

That evening, Kate and Gibbs wait on the street in front of the building where the young satellite controller (Worth) lives, waiting for him to come home. There is slightly flirty banter that makes the shippers sigh. Kate has a great laugh. Worth arrives home; they approach. Worth doesn't want to talk; he's on administrative leave and under investigation for his unauthorized activities with the satellite. Gibbs offers to go to bat for Worth if Worth tells him what he saw. Worth admits he was watching the nude sunbather when the murder took place and couldn't see the murderer. He tells Gibbs that all satellite transmissions are recorded on a hard drive at Langley; if he could access his computer, he could show Gibbs exactly what he saw. Gibbs

gets on the phone with Roper and threatens to have Worth talk to a Congressional oversight committee if Roper doesn't let them see the satellite shots.

In Autopsy, Ducky determines cause of death to have been that Egan was stabbed with his own dive knife, and judging by the angle of the thrust, the assailant was probably left-handed. Abby is working on Egan's computer; it was password-protected and took some time to get in. Tony, Gibbs and Kate arrive to find out what she has. Gibbs has brought a copy of the satellite shots for Abby to enhance. Abby reports that Egan's notes indicate he was hinky about the reliability of the sonar device. On the beach, divers are searching for the sonar device.

Abby is unable to clear the picture up enough to make an ID. Tony suggests looking for Polar Tanning Girl instead; perhaps she saw something. Abby prints him a picture of the girl's face. Kate is to stay with Abby and go over Egan's files to learn about the device. Ducky comes to tell Gibbs about the assailant being left-handed. Ducky also found traces of a female's DNA on Egan's body - meaning that Egan was probably having an affair with someone, since his wife was gone all weekend. Gibbs goes back to the Egan's home to question Egan's wife. He asks questions about SideScan and Egan's project. He asks about how much time Egan spent at work; indications are that Lt. (Mrs.) Egan seems to know about the affair. She checks her watch and we note that she wears it on her right wrist, as a left-handed person might.

In the Little Creek Base Gym, Tony watches women work out. (Typical Tony.) He shows the photo to the gym manager, who says that it could be Gina, who comes in every day around noon. Since it is 11:40, Tony decides to wait. Also typical of Tony, he has to play with the equipment while he does so. Gibbs meets with Cmdr. Tyler privately to inquire about the device. Tyler admits Egan did not think the sonar gun's range was as good as promised; if he turned out to be correct, the Navy would not purchase the gun from SideScan and Overmeier would lose a lot of money. If the prototype is not found, SideScan would get an extension, giving them time to correct the flaws. He tosses out the suspicion of Egan's affair; Tyler admits she and Egan have been seeing one another for months. She, too, checks her watch; she wears it on the left wrist, as a right-handed person would. (Some lefties also wear their watches on their left-wrists as well.)

By the time Gina gets to the gym, Tony is out of his shirt and jacket and just in his undershirt, so when he approaches her, she thinks he's hitting on her and blows him off. Tony gets his ID and comes back, opening the interview. At SideScan, Kate and Gibbs are pretty much cleaning out the office and all the files. Gibbs confronts Overmeier about his suspicions; Overmeier is blustery and full of himself. Gibbs points out that Egan's death buys Overmeier time; Overmeier blusters some more. Gibbs has Overmeier sign a receipt for his files; we see that Overmeier is left-handed. Outside, Gibbs and Kate discuss Overmeier's left-handedness, and Kate points out that he and Tyler could be in it together. Gibbs says they could in a way that indicates he doesn't think they are. He gets a call from Tony reporting that Gina is in fact the polar tanner. Gina reports that she thought Egan was alone at first, but when she glanced back, she saw him arguing with a woman who was definitely military.

Returning to HQ, we get the rundown from Kate and Tony. Egan's killer was a woman (eliminating Overmeier) and left-handed (eliminating Tyler). Gibbs points out that perhaps they followed the missing prototype too hard; it's possible the murder had nothing to do with that. They begin to examine Lt. (Mrs.) Egan instead, who had a motive as she knew her husband was having an affair. Kate points out that Lt. (Mrs.) Egan has an alibi. Gibbs points out that she plays golf left-handed; he saw the clubs. They go back to the house to question her again.

Gibbs has an unusual method of questioning. He tells Lt. (Mrs.) Egan that he thinks Egan was killed over flaws in the SideScan sonar prototype thing. He and Kate further state that they need the prototype to build a case against Lauren Tyler. Kate asks about the affair; Lt. (Mrs.) Egan pretends to be all surprised. She continues to insist that he never talked to her about the project. She asks why they think Egan was killed. Gibbs straight-up lies; he tells her that he thinks Overmeier bribed Egan and Tyler to keep quiet about the sonar gun's flaws, and that Tyler killed Egan when Egan refused the bribe. He stresses the need to find the prototype as conclusive proof that Tyler was involved in the murder.

Outside, Kate and Gibbs discuss their little play-act. Gibbs thinks Lt. (Mrs.) Egan took the bait. Kate hopes they are right, because her bleeding heart would feel bad if they put an innocent woman through that. Gibbs calls Abby and has her get back in touch with Ashton for some more surveillance.

There is discussion in MTAC - Ashton admits to Abby that the satellite he is using is techni-

cally down for maintenance. They are watching the Egans' home. Lt. (Mrs.) Egan leaves in a big hurry. Abby redirects the satellite feed to the computer in the car where Kate, Tony and Gibbs are waiting. They get some separation and then head out in pursuit. Lt. (Mrs.) Egan leaves the base and heads south. Gibbs follows. In the midst of pursuit, the satellite signal is lost; turns out the satellite was down for maintenance for a reason. Ashton gets it back a few moments later and she is re-located driving into the woods.

We watch her get out of her car and hurry over to a place marked with some rocks. Pushing the rocks aside, she pulls out the sonar gun and the bloody dive knife. Gibbs' voice offers her a hand, and she gasps, turning; standing above her on a slight ridge like Charlie's Angels are our Intrepid Team, catching her in the act.

Back at HQ Tony comes in with Ducky's spare jumpsuit in a dry-cleaner's bag. He is late because he had to go pick it up. Gibbs is not pleased; turns out Tony's phone has been ringing off the hook. Gina apparently decided Tony was cute after all and has been calling nonstop. Tony's not interested; she's not attractive enough for him. Tony's version of letting her down easy is just not answering her calls. Gibbs warns him to handle the situation. There is banter regarding Gibbs getting whacked on the head with a golf club, and Gibbs has a great smile.

My Other Left Foot

Season 1
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Season Episode: 12

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Director: Jeff Woolnough
Show Stars: Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard)
Guest Stars: Josh Holloway (Police Officer), Tony Pasqualini (Man), Terry Rhoads (Stanley Borden), Tom McCleister (Captain Brent Peters), Jack Kyle (Frank Roberts), Stacy Haiduk (Melissa Dorn), Dean Norris (Vestman), Kim Wimmer (Darlene), Bonnie Bartlett (Dr. Silvia Chalmers)
Production Code: 01012
Summary: The NCIS team is called in when a severed leg bearing a marine tattoo is found in a trash bin, leading them to a small town where a murder scheme is afoot.



As the episode begins, we watch a truck drive up to an empty building in the middle of the night. A man gets out dressed for dumpster diving and proceeds to do just that. He finds a boot in good condition and pulls it out - only to find that it still contains the foot and lower leg it belongs to. With a gasp, he throws it.

As we join the team, they are just beginning their workday. Tony inquires how Kate's date last night went; we find that he has been eavesdropping on her when she is on the phone. Kate's date was cancelled on account of surgery - he wasn't having it, he was performing it. Abby pops in and asks about the date as well;

she just gets a sarcastic look. Tony fills her in; they agree that surgery is a pretty good date-cancelling excuse.

Gibbs comes in with the familiar order to "grab your gear" - they are going to Clarksburg, WV to see the leg. Kate inquires why they are going to West Virginia to see a leg; Gibbs says it belongs to a Marine. Closeup on the leg - it's got a Semper Fi tattoo on it. First clue. It's also got a Marine Corps emblem on the boot heel. Second clue.

The local LEOs are about as down-home as you can get, cracking jokes about how the leg landed on a set of stairs as though it was going up them. Gibbs is not amused. Ducky reports the limb was severed postmortem, but can't establish a time of death due to the lack of, well, a body.

Kate, taking crime scene photos, notices a seed wedged in the sole of the boot. Ducky tries to take off to an antique store and is pressed for a time by Gibbs. He is willing to commit that the limb has been dead less than twenty-four hours. Gibbs, grinning, lets Ducky go.

Gibbs interviews the junk dealer, who spits tobacco juice somewhere in the vicinity of Gibbs' shoes, then jumps into the dumpster to check for more evidence. Tony and Kate begin a discussion of tattoos. Tony thinks tats on a woman means she's "up for anything;" Kate asks if he

thinks she's up for anything. He says she hasn't got a tattoo; she says no, not any that he will ever see. Tony looks like he doesn't quite know what to do with that information. He also learns a valuable lesson on not judging a book by its cover!

In Abby's lab, Ducky takes on the role of Captain Exposition and teaches us that Super Glue in gaseous form will bond to latent fingerprints on human flesh. We learn that Abby is one of those older sisters that makes you wonder how the little brother survived childhood. There is one fingerprint on the leg. In Autopsy, we learn that the victim had a titanium ankle joint, which will have a serial number traceable to the doctor who performed the surgery. The victim was also dismembered with a power saw. Ducky goes into a tangential story about his Grand Tour of Europe after he graduated from high school (the looks on Tony and Gibbs' faces are priceless).

In the squad room, Kate calls to find out about the ankle joint and Tony obsesses about her tattoo. Between the two of them, they locate the orthopedic surgeon who installed the joint. Gibbs interviews the surgeon, who provides the victim's name: PFC Thomas Dorn, who (according to his service record) has been dead for two years. According to the service record, a Dr. Sylvia Chalmers of Harmony, WV, presided over the death, which was due to myocardial infarction (heart attack). No autopsy was done.

In the lab, Abby finds a piece of trace evidence on the sock. In the car, Kate and Tony debate the relative merits of small towns and Kate actually uses the phrase "a slice of Americana" which makes even her most devout fans want to stab her in the eye. In the squad room, Abby reports to Gibbs that the fingerprint on the leg didn't have a match in AFIS and the trace evidence on the sock was a piece of straw. In Harmony, Tony flirts with the doctor's receptionist (and her very bad hillbilly accent). In Abby's lab, she reports that the seed came from a sycamore tree.

In Harmony, Dr. Chalmers comes across as a sweet and slightly out-of-it old woman. At the time Dorn died, she was the only doctor for 40 miles. She states that Dorn came in on his own, short of breath and having chest pains. There is a great deal of folksiness in the room; Dorn came into the doctor's office instead of an exam room because they only have one and the Thomas twins were in it with the measles; when Dorn collapsed, they called for an ambulance, but it was working a car accident way out on Turtle Creek. Kate wonders why the coroner didn't do an autopsy; turns out, Chalmers was the coroner at the time. Kate mentions that they are going to be exhuming the body; Chalmers advises them that Dorn's sister had the body cremated. She goes on and on about feeling sorry for the sister. Tony shows her a picture of a Marine, asks if she recognizes it. She says no, and Tony tells her that is PFC Dorn.

As they leave, they discuss the fact that the doctor wore Estee Lauder perfume. Tony gets back on the tattoo thing; Kate tells him it's a rose on her butt and asks if they can please move on. In the squad room, Abby reports that the levels of Digitalis - a heart medication - in Dorn's leg was lethally high. Kate and Tony arrive back and pass on what they have learned. It's obvious they bought Chalmers's sweet-but-stupid act. They have found the sister - actually a half-sister - living in Maryland. Kate and Gibbs head out to question her. We learn that Abby knows where Kate's tat is, but isn't telling. (And all the Kate/Abby shippers cheer.)

Upon arriving at Melissa Dorn's house, the first thing we see is a giant sycamore tree in the front yard. Melissa Dorn is a redhead and Gibbs' automatic redhead reflexes kick in. Kate prepares to do lots of eye-rolling. We learn that Gibbs is an only child. Kate says they are working a case with a tenuous connection to Dorn's. Melissa hasn't kept any of his personal effects. She offers Gibbs coffee, and they wander off to the kitchen to flirt, leaving Kate to snoop around and see if she can find anything. The flirting, which doesn't bear repeating, gets very overboard, causing Kate and millions of viewers to roll their eyes. Kate finds nothing to give them probable cause, but Gibbs takes a seed sample from the big sycamore outside. He brings two sycamore seeds to Abby, tells her they are from the same tree, and asks for a DNA match. She says six hours.

In the squad room, Tony finds a motive for the murder of PFC Dorn: his half-sister collected \$750,000 in life insurance. He and Kate go to question the insurance adjuster, who says the company paid the claim to avoid a lawsuit. They discuss Gibbs' flirtation with Melissa; we learn that all three of his wives have been redheads. Kate actually acts jealous over the flirtation. In the squad room, Gibbs talks the case over with Ducky; he is stumped. They discuss the facts. Then Gibbs asks Ducky who he would get to pose as a Marine. Ducky's reply: "You." Something dawns on Gibbs and he begins to laugh, grabs his coat and heads out. In the lab, Abby pulls up her DNA - and gets a negative match.

Gibbs goes to question Dorn's former CO, a Gunny Vestman, who remembers Gibbs when Gibbs was an MP at Camp Lejeune. Vestman's memories of Dorn are not so positive: he remembers that Dorn was a druggie who was about to be drummed out of the Corps when the accident that caused the titanium ankle joint did it for him. Dorn was tight with a Corporal Morgan, who went UA the same time Dorn died, and both of them ran with a redhead called Melissa. Vestman further says that both Dorn and Morgan were "shacked up" with Melissa (and the audience shudders en masse). Gibbs now takes on the role of Captain Exposition: he thinks Dorn and Melissa killed Morgan, identified him as Dorn, cremated him and claimed the insurance money.

In Abby's lab, she is flipped out over a positive match. Gibbs tells her good work, and she flips out further over the fact that one sample from the tree matches while the other sample, ostensibly from the same tree, does not. Gibbs confesses that the non-matching sample came from a different tree; he was giving Abby a blind test. She reacts predictably. Gibbs is pretty pleased; the DNA match places Dorn at Melissa's house, giving them probable cause to search. The team heads to Maryland. Tony goes over the barn floor with Luminol and black light; Gibbs and Kate take the house. Tony finds marks on the barn floor that indicate where a body may have been dismembered; around and in the marks, he finds traces of blood.

Kate and Gibbs use the old glass-of-water trick to obtain Melissa's fingerprints. Tony comes into the house and almost immediately twigs to the presence of someone else in the house. He and Gibbs go to investigate the upstairs and in a very dramatic scene, they discover, hiding in an upstairs closet - Dr. Sylvia Chalmers. When they bring her downstairs, she is addressed by Melissa - to the surprise of everyone - as "Mama." Chalmers goes into detail about how Melissa defrauded an insurance company at the behest of her "wicked half-brother" and goes on about how everything is Melissa's fault; Gibbs points this out to Melissa.

Gibbs goes on to tell Chalmers that the digitalis in Dorn's leg can be identified by a chemical marker as having come from a stock belonging to Chalmers. Melissa tells Chalmers that the investigators know Chalmers killed Dorn and chopped him up. Chalmers slaps Melissa and says that they can't use anything she's said in court; Gibbs retorts that Melissa was read her rights and waived them; they can use it all.

Back in the squad room, Tony reports that Dorn's left arm was found in a garbage dump in Chiefton, right arm in Katy Lick and torso in Marshville; left leg and head are still unaccounted for. Tony cracks a joke about Kate's tattoo, and Gibbs indicates he knows what the tattoo is (and probably where it is).

One Shot, One Kill

Season 1

Episode Number: 13

Season Episode: 13

Originally aired: Tuesday February 10, 2004 on CBS
Writer: Gil Grant
Director: Peter Ellis (II)
Show Stars: Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard)
Recurring Role: Pancho Demmings (Gerald Jackson)
Guest Stars: Geoff Meed (Corporal David Stenson), Andy Umberger (FBI Agent Freedman), Blake Shields (Potential Recruit), Michael Gaston (Maj. Dougherty), Francesco Quinn (Gunnery Sgt. Alvarez), Brad Hawkins (Aaron Barnes), T.J. Thyne (Carl), Noah Segan (Teenager/Sniper), Alex Solowitz (Dave), Chad Doreck (Leo), Zakk Moore (Potential Recruit), Kent Shocknek (Male Reporter), Sheila Frazier (Female Reporter)
Production Code: 01013
Summary: The team investigates when a Marine recruitment officer is found shot to death by a sniper with a grudge, who leaves a white feather behind.



A Marine recruiter, Sgt Alvarez, is shot in his office in Washington D.C., NCIS is called to investigate. Abby determines that from the angle and power of the shot, the weapon most likely used was a sniper rifle.

Alvarez has kept all his correspondence from his recruits, and the first idea is that he has been assassinated by someone with a grudge against him, perhaps because the recruiter promised them a better career than the Corps could deliver. Almost all of the correspondence is complimentary. however, because Alvarez did care deeply about giving the kids he recruited better lives. There are

only two complaints, and one of the two guys (the other guy is in Iraq) is interviewed. But it turns out this suspect has become a committed marine.

The next day, another Marine recruiter, this time in Maryland, is shot in the same fashion, except for the fact that Abby thinks the shot was fired from a car, rather than a building like the first incident. Since the two Marines were shot in different states, the FBI claims they now have jurisdiction and they tell Gibbs he will very shortly get a call from his Director telling him to back off. Gibbs tells his team to recover the bullet and when Kate finds it, and the team calls him to tell him this, he pretends the call is the one telling him to leave. As they leave, the team also recovers a white feather, too small to be a common pigeon feather, which they suspect might be the killer's "calling card."

Although there is damage to the bullet, Abby can determine it was fired from the same type of weapon as the one that killed the D.C. recruiter. So now they look for and eventually find, blown into the ventilation grille, the same type of feather at the D.C. Recruiting center. So it's

definitely the same guy, and it might be someone who has been rejected from the Corps and so has a general grudge against recruiters, and also wants to show he is 'better.'

But how will they stop the next attack when there are so many possible targets at recruiting centres? Gibbs decides to set a stalking horse; he gets a lot of TV publicity for the re-opening of the centre. And in order to catch the shooter, Gibbs poses as a Marine recruiter, with Kate posing as his commanding officer. Gibbs refuses to wear a bulletproof vest under his uniform shirt with the excuse that it would show. Tony rigs three sensitive microphones to telephone posts so that Abby can triangulate the position of the shooter. After a long day of Kate analyzing everyone that talks to Gibbs, they find a white feather on the water cooler and so discover the shooter is the water-delivery man. At that moment, a shot is fired, only to be stopped by the new bulletproof glass in the recruiting center. The shooter's position is located through the mikes, and he is killed in the attempt to arrest him.

The sniper who shot the marine recruiters was a chap who'd been refused admittance due to psychopathic personality traits - he'd applied to become a sniper, but his profile let him down. Although Gibbs ruefully admitted that the chap was a really good shot.

The Good Samaritan

Season 1

Episode Number: 14

Season Episode: 14

Originally aired: Tuesday February 17, 2004 on CBS
Writer: Jack Bernstein
Director: Alan J. Levi
Show Stars: Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard)
Recurring Role: Pancho Demmings (Gerald Jackson)
Guest Stars: Sean McGowan (Lieutenant Wallace), Kirk B.R. Woller (Lt. Commander Julius), Kate McNeil (Commander Green), Heidi Dippold (Laura Seeger), Stephanie Hodge (Sheriff Charlene Dupray)
Production Code: 01014
Summary: A navy dentist stops near the parked car to help a stranded motorist who pulls out a gun. The team investigates a murder with the help from a local sheriff, Charley, when they find out about similar murders of a Navy civilian employee and a pilot who was going through a nasty divorce. They suspect the wife but she has a perfect alibi.



A navy dentist stops near a parked car to help a stranded female motorist, who pulls out a gun.

In the squad room Kate is dealing with her emergency contact information. Tony volunteers and against her better judgment, Kate accepts. Tony immediately makes it a big deal and Kate changes her mind to Abby. Abby is walking through reading her horoscope and is grateful that she is not a Libra. Gibbs comes through carrying two cups of coffee. The phone rings and they're off to the crime scene.

They arrive on the scene and met the local sheriff, Charley, who is reluctant to

turn over the investigation to them. Charley, who insists several times that Gibbs call her that, drives a hard bargain before conceding that they can do the forensics work. The investigation is hers and all prosecution will be in her county. It's an election year.

The crime scene is markedly different from what we saw in the opening. It now looks like the dentist had the flat tire and was changing it when he was attacked. Ducky tells Charley the biblical tale of the good Samaritan. Ducky flirts, but Charley shoots him down. Charley is much more interested in Gibbs and is quite direct about it. Charley even manages to get Gibbs after hours number, just in case she needs to get a hold of him.

Back in the autopsy suite, Ducky has determined that the bullet was most likely a hollow point. Gerald comes in and Ducky explains how the dum-dum bullet got its name. Gerald says that he actually finds that interesting. Ducky responds as opposed to what?

Gibbs interviewed his CO, a woman, while Tony and Kate search his apartment. The CO says that the major spent most of his off time doing collectibles on the internet. Tony stumbles

across the dentist's ebay login "igottoomany" and the dentist definitely has too many. The dentist collected lunchboxes and has a whole room full.

They're all back at the squadroom and Sheriff Charley has been trying to contact Gibbs. The sheriff wants to video conference and tell Gibbs about the similar homicide two counties over. The team starts checking the new victim, a civilian who worked at the same base as the dentist, for ties to the first one, and the dentist's CO. They also are to get the records from the local LEOs for this murder.

Back in Ducky's autopsy suite, Ducky has determined that the cause of death is pretty straight forward. The gunshot residue indicates that the dentist was shot at a close range. Ducky also found a powder on the victim's wrists, most likely corn starch. Ducky starts to tell Gibbs about the use of corn starch in latex gloves, but Gibbs cuts him off. Without missing a beat, Ducky continues his story with Gerald as his new audience.

Abby is in the garage, working on the supposed flat tire from the victim's car. She and Gibbs try to out bluff each other as to whether or not they know what the other is thinking. It ends in a draw with the conclusion that they should play poker together sometime. Abby has discovered that the flat tire was not really flat, the air was let out. Gibbs inquires after the tire tracks lifted at the crime scene and Abby replies in a manner which makes Gibbs note that she is particularly feisty today. After looking at the tire track evidence, they move on to fingerprints. Abby found fingerprints on the hood. Gibbs asks if she ran it through AFIS, as Abby says AFIS. Gibbs remarks feisty and psychic to which Abby replies it's a killer combination. Abby also found corn starch on the lock of the trunk, but Gibbs all ready knew that. Abby stops and then says "Ducky." They have determined that this was not a crime of opportunity, but a very well planned out murder.

Back in the squad room, Kate is having trouble with the phone tree of the county clerk's office. She cannot seem to get a real person on the phone to request the records of that crime. And that's when Charley walks in. She is in civilian clothes with her hair loose. She's bringing gifts, the evidence from the other crime scene, but she will only give it to Gibbs. Once it's delivered, she informs Gibbs he owes her dinner. Gibbs inquires as to whether or not Charley has always been this shy. She responds that there are two kinds of people, the ones that go after what they want, and everybody else. Gibbs takes her to the cafeteria for dinner.

When Gibbs returns, Kate and Tony are standing looking at the plasma screen, with knowing smiles on their faces. Gibbs ask if they have something to say, they reply no in unison and turn back to their work. The crime scene appears to be almost identical to theirs. But one of the local LEOs noticed a wet patch of grass and bagged it. The local LEOs were still waiting for DNA identification on the urine. Gibbs tells them to get the sample to their lab where they will rush it. Cut to a shot of a car on the side of the road with its blinkers on, followed by a dumped, naked body. The last shot is of a car with its blinkers on, but these are red blinkers, not white as in the previous shot.

As they arrive at the crime scene, Tony goes on and on about the car, an X4. This car does not have a flat tire like the previous victims' cars did. Charley is on the scene, waiting for Gibbs. Kate says it looks like the work of the same person, but Ducky disagrees. This body was killed elsewhere between 2 and 3 in the afternoon and then dumped here. They think this is the work of a copycat killer.

Gibbs thinks they are looking for a woman. Charley says "what's your thinking, doll?" Gibbs says that men prefer hands on killing, women don't. Women leave crime scenes meticulously clean. What would cause a man to pull over at night? A damsel in distress. Charley says "hand-some AND smart." Gibbs assigns Kate and Tony to go over all the records on base, looking for a disgruntled employee. Gibbs says he is going to go and interview the latest victim's REO. Kate wants to know if there is any rhyme or reason in how Gibbs makes assignments. Gibbs answers "yea" and then walks away with Charley, both of them laughing.

The latest victim's REO says they should be looking at his wife, soon to be ex-wife. The divorce was very nasty and Jimmy came from a wealthy family.

Gibbs and Kate interview the widow, Laura Seeger. She says she is very upset at her husband's death despite the rancor of their divorce. She tells them that she knows she is at the top of their list of suspects and to just ask her the questions they came to ask. Gibbs asks if she killed her husband. She says no. She provides an alibi and also agrees to provide a DNA sample.

Ducky finds that the two autopsies were nearly identical. "It was deja vu all over again" which

leads to a discussion between Tony and Kate on the difference between Yogi Bear and Yogi Berra. Ducky says he found something in the victim's nose and he took a swab to it. Gibbs comments that's kind of old school, isn't it and Ducky says he goes where the evidence takes him. Then Ducky starts to tell a story about a corpse with jelly from a doughnut on his face. Sadly, we'll never hear the end because Gibbs interrupts to ask about the swab.

The victim had sawdust in his nose. Laura Seeger said that her husband had a woodshop at the back of their property. There was also a dog hair in the nostril. Laura has dogs. Laura also seems to have a solid alibi, but they'll check into that.

Abby is in her lab listening to something on headphones when Gibbs sneaks up on her. Abby does not appreciate it. But she has something for him, something that will rock Gibbs' world. Abby has matched the bullet from the first victim to the third victim, which means there was not a copycat killer. All three were killed by the same person. The new speculation is that Laura Seeger killed two strangers to cover up killing her husband, making it look like a serial killer.

Gibbs wants a report on the DNA match. Abby tells him he cannot rush science. There won't be a match for at least 18 hours.

Charley shows up in the squad room with the video tapes from the bank to verify Laura Seeger's alibi. She hasn't looked at them because she can't watch movies alone. She also picked up a copy of *Sleepless in Seattle*, just in case. Gibbs is finding Charley's pursuit of him amusing. Laura Seeger is on the bank's video tape just like she said she would be. Her alibi has been confirmed. Gibbs wonders if the bank uses a central system for their security tapes. Laura could have had an accomplice change the time. "How hard is it for an attractive woman to get a guy to do what she wants?" Both Charley and Kate answer that it's easy. Tony tells them it was a rhetorical question.

Gibbs hands out assignments, including one for Charley, although she tells him it will cost him. Gibbs keeps the tapes so that Abby can go over them and make sure the shadows are consistent with the time of day.

Back at Laura Seeger's, she doesn't appear surprised to see Gibbs at her door. She also doesn't seem to be surprised by anything he says, including that they found sawdust and dog hair in her late husband's nose. Laura insists that she has nothing to hide and doesn't understand what Gibbs wants from her.

Kate and Tony discover that the Seeger's pre-nup means that Laura would have gotten nothing in the divorce. If Seeger died before they were divorced, she would inherit all that money. In the conversation we discover that Tony thinks ABBA are Swiss not Swedish, and denies the truth (but at least he likes them). Gibbs returns and it is clear from his demeanor that the interview with Laura did not go as he had hoped.

Abby has called Gibbs and is ready to rock his world again. Laura Seeger's DNA matches the DNA from the urine sample at the second crime scene. They cannot match because Laura has an iron-clad alibi. But they do.

Gibbs and team plus Charley show up at Laura Seeger's with a search warrant. Laura has an alibi for her husband's murder, but not for victim number two, the crime scene with the urine. Laura insists that someone is setting her up, that someone must have stolen her urine and planted it at the crime scene. Laura gave two urine samples within the last month and her doctor is the woman who was the first victim's CO, Commander Green. Turns out she had a problem with Seeger; he filed a sexual harassment complaint against her. The matter had not gotten to the review board yet; Seeger was killed before it did. Commander Green asks Gibbs if he's trying to insinuate something; Gibbs responds he doesn't insinuate. Gibbs wants the medical records from Laura Seeger's physical; Commander Green declines. They discuss whether or not these medical records are military records and Commander Green says she'll have to check Gibbs' interpretation, which will take a while. Gibbs asks for her alibi; she was at a medical conference in D.C.

Back in the squad room they are discussing the fact that both of their prime suspects have iron-clad alibis. That the DNA at the crime scene was from one of their prime suspect and also in the possession of their other prime suspect. Tony is in favor of it being the Commander because that whole sexual harassment thing is just wrong. Kate gets a phone call from Arlene in Records which answers the question.

Cut to nighttime with the team moving in a vehicle talking to the OnStar operator. They have a location on the vehicle they are tracking. Charley rogers that she has that location. Tony chimes

in that they've made their pickup and hopes they get there before someone else does.

There is the rear of a vehicle with the same white lights blinking that we've seen before. A man's feet are walking up to the vehicle. It's Gibbs, flashlight in hand. He commands the person in the vehicle to put her hands where he can see them and opens the car door. Laura Seeger emerges from the vehicle. Laura is handcuffed as more police cars arrive. Laura is taken to the rear of one of the police vehicles only to see her identical twin sister in the back seat of the car.

Back in the squad room, Tony is fixated on the twins thing. As they are talking Charley comes on the TV for a press conference about the arrest. Charley starts out saying there is a group of people she would like to thank and Tony is certain they are about to get the credit they deserve. Charley calls them unsung heroes and Kate responds not once you start singing. Charley, however, is talking about the citizens of Graysen County. Kate and Tony are surprised; Gibbs is just amused. As he says, "It's an election year."

Enigma

Season 1
Episode Number: 15
Season Episode: 15

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Writer: John C. Kelley
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard)
Recurring Role: Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Pancho Demmings (Gerald Jackson), Alan Dale (NCIS Director Tom Morrow)
Guest Stars: Jeff Austin (Colonel Mike Granger), Barton Tinapp (Man), David Rountree (FBI Surveillance Technician), John Rosenfeld (Agent Charles), Terry O'Quinn (Colonel Will Ryan), Kevin McClatchy (Lt. David Cameron), Grinnell Morris (FBI Agent Carlson)
Production Code: 01015
Summary: Gibbs risks his career when his former commanding officer is accused of stealing funds.



Gibbs receives a package. Gibbs receives orders to find Colonel Ryan, his former commanding officer, because federal authorities have a surveillance tape of Colonel Ryan entering the country under an assumed name, apparently talking with someone but they cannot tell who he is talking to. Gibbs know where Ryan use to go when he was on leave and thus approaches the country holiday cabin, finds a dead body and a tripod. The dead man was a FBI agent of Fornell's. The cabin shows signs of attack; Gibbs denies that Ryan would have attacked the cabin or killed the man. The cabin has been booby-trapped: Gibbs sees the

bomb as they are searching and they all run out. After a tedious wait for bomb disposal, Kate accuses Gibbs of needing glasses. Just then the bomb blows up.

Turns out that, in Iraq, Colonel Ryan's task force was charged with recovering money Saddam had stashed around the country. His task force did a good job, they found close to thirty million in U.S. currency. There seemed to be a problem though. Shipments were lost and cancelled at the last minute. Mistakes in the amount being shipment were incorrect. Ryan knew it had to be someone in a very high position in the U.S. government. Ryan sent a decoy shipment with \$2 million in cash to draw them out. They killed Ryan's task force and captured Ryan. Ryan escaped.

When Gibbs found Ryan he mentioned the tripod and told Ryan to give him the tapes, that his lab had technology to get information on the damaged tapes. Ryan told Gibbs that whoever was stealing the money, could be CIA, NSA or even NCIS, but who ever it was, they were funding something and killing anyone who found out about it.

When everyone was back at the squad room Fornell told Gibbs that he was looking for Ryan and doesn't care whether Ryan is guilty or innocent. So Gibbs cannot work with Fornell on this, he has to work around him. Gibbs tries to keep his team out of the loop to protect them.

Gibbs in his basement working on his boat, Ryan enters. From their conversation, we know that Gibbs worked with Ryan (his Commanding Officer) and the XO (executive officer) whose name was Cameron. Cameron was supposedly dead 14 years ago, but Ryan brings him to Gibbs basement. Gibbs tells Ryan that Cameron died in his arms and Ryan tells Gibbs apparently he did not.

Gibbs calls the squad room, and Kate tells Gibbs that after Abby cleaned up the tape, they now have an I.D. on one of the shooters at the cabin: Reserve Army Colonel Mike Granger. Ryan tells Gibbs that Granger is just a foot soldier and that they need to get the one who is the head of the conspiracy.

Ryan takes Gibbs to a warehouse where he has stashed enough weapons to blow up D.C. The FBI followed Gibbs and Ryan to the warehouse, everyone holding their weapons on Ryan. Ryan keeps yelling instructions to Cameron, who stays out of sight.

Gibbs persuades Fornell to allow all of them to go see Colonel Granger, to check Ryan's story before anyone loses their life.

In the office of Colonel Granger, Ryan is not acting himself and is talking to someone. Gibbs approaches Ryan, who has a gun and has threatened Col Granger. Fornell has drawn his gun but holds fire, and lets Gibbs approach Ryan. Gibbs talks Ryan into giving up and Gibbs lets Fornell in on "what's happening." We see the scene from the perspective of Ryan, so we see Cameron arguing against Gibbs' urging for Ryan to put down his weapon. Cameron is standing behind Gibbs. But eventually Ryan gives up his weapon after Gibbs repeatedly clarifies what happened 14 years ago, in the heat of battle, when Ryan, Cameron and Gibbs were fighting together. Ryan collapses into Gibbs' arms and Fornell puts down his weapon at the sight of the broken soldier being comforted by his Gunny Sergeant.

Finally, in an end scene at the hospital, we hear the doctor explaining that paranoid schizophrenia is not abnormal at such a late stage in Ryan's life. Gibbs relives the actuality of when his XO died in his arms in Desert Storm and all Ryan keeps on saying is "I don't understand". There was no conspiracy. Ryan was talking to a ghost of Cameron, not wanting to believe Cameron's death was real. Gibbs knew that Cameron could not be present in DC: he had bled out in Gibbs' arms and Gibbs couldn't save him.

Bête Noire

Season 1

Episode Number: 16

Season Episode: 16

Originally aired:	Tuesday March 2, 2004 on CBS
Writer:	Donald P. Bellisario
Director:	Peter Ellis (II)
Show Stars:	Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto)
Recurring Role:	Jessica Steen (Special Agent Paula Cassidy), Alan Dale (NCIS Director Tom Morrow), Pancho Demmings (Gerald Jackson), Rudolf Martin (Terrorist)
Guest Stars:	Constance L. McCrory (Evidence Clerk), Robert Cicchini (Agent Pacci), Tim Kelleher (Agent Daniel Snyder), Jennifer Gatti (Negotiator Arkin), Alex Dodd (Qassam), Matthew Del Negro (Balboa), Joe Sabatino (HRT Leader Horowitz)
Production Code:	01016
Summary:	A terrorist holds Ducky, Gerald, and Kate hostage while NCIS try to figure out how the terrorist got inside and how to get their people out safely.



A dead terrorist is brought back to NCIS headquarters to be autopsied. Gerald opens a body bag to another body claiming to be a foreign sailor he is presented with an armed man who then takes Gerald and Ducky hostage in Autopsy. The terrorist (we do not know his name yet) demands all the evidence from the dead terrorist to be brought to Autopsy so that he can get away with it. Ducky phones Abby and asks her to bring it down. Abby has a new-found phobia of Autopsy so she is unable to go down and as Gibbs

or Tony are not in the squad room she asks Kate to go. Kate goes and pretends to be Abby, but the terrorist is not fooled, noticing that Kate is carrying a gun, which a forensic technician wouldn't be, and takes Kate hostage as well. Also, because Ducky lied, the terrorist shoots Gerald in the shoulder. Gibbs is now made aware of the situation as Kate did not come back and the security video in Autopsy is not working. They put a small camera down into Autopsy and get a picture of the terrorist before the terrorist shoots the camera. The hostage rescue team appears and tries to bargain with the terrorist for the hostages. The terrorist asks Gibbs to come down and to bring some other evidence with him, he also asks Gibbs to come unarmed. Gibbs comes and places the box down, the terrorist gives him Kate's gun and they shoot at each other. The terrorist hits Gibbs in the shoulder and it is a through and through. Smoke canisters go off and the hostage rescue team gets in and there is a lot of confusion. When the smoke has cleared Gibbs walks over to the body lying on the floor, supposedly the terrorist he shot. He turns the body over and it turns out to be the dead terrorist and the live one has got away.

The doors to autopsy open and Ducky asks Gerald "He's not a American naval officer?" and Gerald replies "they said he was a royal navy commander." Ducky inquires as to whom, and

Gerald did not know, assumed British, and Ducky goes on to name several countries with Royal navies. Gerald explains that the embassy told NCIS to bring him to autopsy. Ducky asks which embassy and Gerald tells him Israeli. They are both curious about Israeli sending them the body. Gerald wheels out the body and opens the bag on Ducky's command, and stands there shocked. Ducky walks over and is too shocked to see a gun pointing at them and the body very much alive.

The person tells Gerald to shut off the lights, and then shoots out the video camera. The man with a very thick Israeli accent asks how they alert people when they are conducting an infectious autopsy, and Ducky remarks that they hang a decomposing body in the corridor. The man then goes on to explain that when he asks a question he wants the truthful and immediate answer or else he will put a 9mm hollow point slug (bullet) in one of Gerald's ball and socket joints. Ducky rather the slug be in him, but the man doesn't agree. Ducky then tells him the real way they put alert people, a lit red sign in the corridor, the man instructs Gerald to do so, and to lock the doors bring him greens and breathing gear. Ducky asks what he wants, and the man says in due time.

Cut to the Evidence Garage – Tony asks Kate if she had ever had a nightmare, she replies no. They continue on nightmares and Tony reveals that he had a recurring one as a child about vampires, and one being in the canopy of his bed. Kate asks if he still fears vampires, and hints that it had to be a female; he tells her that it was after his blood not the pride of his childhood. She is shocked to know that he was proud of it at the age of 5. We also learn that his mother told him bedtime stories and had kept candles in his Louis XV bedroom to enhance the effect of the trompe-l'oeil (trick-the-eye) murals on his walls. Kate remarks that the candles, trompe-l'oeil, and the canopy bed makes for his bete noire to be a vampire. Gibbs enters the conversation wondering what Tony is telling Kate to forget, and then comments how he does crosswords and that is how he knows what Bete Noire means, then asks if his father taught him how to report, and Tony goes off on his childhood, overlooking Gibbs true intent. Then realizes it and tells him what they found in Kasam's room. They found Koran, prayer rug, fast food wrappers, Aspirin, sinus spray and breath freshener, no brush or toothpaste, and no computer. Found minute traces of nitrate. Gibbs explain that Gitmo said that Kasam was to execute a attack on the naval base at Norfolk.

He worked at a fast food place, Kate looks for Cyber cafes. Gibbs is mad he didn't think of that and Tony calls him more smurf than Alpha Geek, and then it dawns on him that he still uses a notebook and a pencil instead of a PDQ, and Tony corrects him that it is a PDA, and that he could teach Gibbs to use it, and Gibbs gets angrier and that McGee teaches Tony and Tony teaches him and that it is backwards. Gibbs leaves on a coffee run and Kate wonders what his deal is, and Tony says that, that is Gibbs Bete Noire.

Cut to Autopsy – where a body is being taken out and put onto a table. The man sees the bullet wounds and says that they hit the Right Ventricle and the Left Atria, and that Ducky didn't do an autopsy, Ducky explains that it was late and he was to do the autopsy that day. The man asks if he drew blood, and Ducky replies yes, he then asks if it is kept in there, and Ducky says no. The man asks if he sent it with Kasam's clothes to forensics, Ducky says yes. Ducky asks the man if he is a pathologist, the man ignores and asks where the lab is. Gerald answers that it is one floor up directly above us. Ducky tells him that there is a stairwell outside that he could use. The man asks about the elevator, and Ducky thought that the guy would think that is too risky, and then the man asks if it was an emergency elevator, ducky says that would be alarmed, so the man asks if there is a camera, and Ducky paused and replied yes. The man got angry and pulled out his gun and pointed it to Gerald's shoulder and Ducky explains that he answered promptly and didn't lie. The man adds the rule that they are not allowed to try to trick him either.

Cut to a little box and a caf-pow being set down on a table. Abby hits the play button, and her screen shows Android Lust playing. The phone rings in her office, he answers commenting that Ducky is in early, a very agitated Ducky tells her to turn her music off, and asks for the evidence back, and she tells him that she hasn't done anything with it yet, Ducky persists and says that he just needs it all back, and essentially yells at her for it. Ducky says he needs it for a theory, and then Abby goes on about her Bete Noire how she can't go down to autopsy, her nightmare is her lying on a autopsy table with her all opened up. Ducky tells her that they opened a infectious body and she could just leave it at the door or get Gibbs to do it. The man doesn't believe that

conversation and asks, and questions Gerald about it. HE thinks that a code word could set it off, but Ducky reassures him that they aren't agents. The man reveals that he fears butterflies. The man then asks who Gibbs is. Ducky says that Gibbs is the only other person that Abby told about her nightmare and the man asks if he is an agent, and Ducky says yes, and then tells him he just wants to get the man what he wants so he can leave.

Cut to Abby's lab – Abby takes a sip of caf-pow, gathers all the evidence and heads to the elevator. Her fear kicks back in and can't push the down button, so goes up to the squad room. The man asks if Gerald had been working with Ducky long, and Ducky starts talking about his youth, then the Man and Ducky start talking about the Battle of Waterloo. The man then again inquires about Abby and her fear of autopsy. Gerald then goes on to say, that he didn't understand since she sleeps in a coffin, it's the kind of kinky thing Abby would do.

Cut to squad room – Kate is the only person at her desk. She asks where Gibbs and Tony are, but they are both in unreachable places, so she tells Kate about the evidence and her nightmare. Kate volunteers to take everything down, and then reasons out that Kasam is the only body down there and he couldn't be known to be infectious without the blood test, Kate calls down and Ducky pretends she is Abby and that she convinced herself that she could overcome her fear. Gibbs and the Director were talking in the elevator on the way to MTAC, talk to 2 agents via video feed about Kasam.

Cut to squad room – Abby is pacing back and forth trying to figure out how to overcome her fear. Gibbs goes over and asks what is wrong, Gibbs asks about Kasam's clothes and Abby told him how Ducky wanted everything back. Gibbs gut goes into gear and tries to figure out the medical emergency that had Ducky tell Abby he wanted everything STAT.

Cut to elevator outside autopsy – Kate knocks on the autopsy door, and Ducky tells her to leave it there, and Kate wants him to sign, and Ducky says that he can't open the door, Kate says how she beat her phobia, and Ducky calls her Abby. The man sees her gun and confronts her.

Cut to squad room – Gibbs goes into hostage situation mode, and gets the team together. Calls the director tells him the situation, places 4 agents around autopsy, gets the floor plan, and asks abby to move her gaschromatograph, so they can get a flex-cam down into autopsy, since the man blew the camera out. Tony and Gibbs go to the basement stairwell

cut to autopsy – The man has Kate on a table and pats her down, and finds out that she is really Kaitlin Todd, not Abby. He then asks about Kasam, and she stays silent refusing to answer him. Ducky says that it wasn't her, it was Gibbs. The man is going through the evidence, and finds the blood. The man asks if it is all the evidence, Ducky and Gerald say yes. The man asks Kate if they searched Kasam's room, and Kate still says silent. Then Ducky explains the rules on the man's request. When they got to the trick rule, the man says how they did try tricking him, when Kate came down by her pretending to be Abby, and Ducky calling her Abby. So the man shoots Gerald's left shoulder.

Cut to Gibbs running down basement stairwell – They open the door and see the No Entry infectious warning sign, and that autopsy is dark. Show Pacci in garage and him and his partner checked out the ambulance and Balboa and his partner, Gibbs told them to disable the bell and go down to autopsy and not open the doors. Gibbs says he going up to MTAC, and Tony asks if they have a hostage situation, Gibbs says time to make a phone call, and leaves.

Cut to Ducky putting Gerald on the table, to help with his gun shot wound. The man threatens Kaitlin that he would regret having to put a bullet in Gerald's knee, since she keeps insulting him. Tony sees Kate run past the door, and run back.

Gibbs in in MTAC and explains who is in autopsy, other than dirtbags. The director calls autopsy, and the man tells him to answer. The man then tells Kate where to put the morphine for Gerald — correctly. Ducky answers, Gibbs asks what is up with the sign Ducky tells Gibbs they opened an infectious body, and Gibbs then asks if Kate is down there, and Ducky says no, on instruction of the man, then Gibbs tells Ducky to let him know when he can come down because he is curious now. The entire conversation is done to sound very casual. Ducky tells the man that he can't wait to weigh his liver, for making him lie to Gibbs. Tony sees the man, and describes the man. The director tells him that the FBI hostage team will be there shortly, and they need an eye in autopsy, and Gibbs runs out going to get that eye.

Cut to Gerald being lifted to a seated position by Ducky and Kate Kate says that the bleeding stopped so its good, and the man says 'yes and no, correct Doctor Mallard?', and Ducky explains how he clamped the artery, the man then explains that Gerald will lose his arm unless the artery

is repaired soon. Kate asks why Ducky can't do it, and Ducky explains it's an autopsy room not an ER. The man then asks, again, where the evidence from Kasam's room is, Kate tells him its in the evidence garage one floor up. He asks if it is the way he came in, Ducky tells him its upstairs next to forensics.

Cut to Gibbs in Abby's lab – Getting a flex-cam into autopsy, they see that there is only one intruder, the man sees their camera and shoots it out.

Cut to the man in autopsy. He takes off his greens and is dressed in all black. He tells Ducky and Kate to put Kasam in the body bag, and alarm goes off, and he asks them to do it "now, please" The man says how that soon they(NCIS/FBI teams) soon call to negotiate their release Kate tells them that they don't negotiate with terrorists, and the man tells her, seductively, that once they get to know each other she won't call him a terrorist.

Cut to squad room – The building is being evacuated and the FBI hostage team is brought in, and briefed. Gibbs explains that he is in charge he doesn't want anything to happen to them

Cut to MTAC – Nobody recognizes the man. They make a connection to Hamas, and Gibbs tells them that the man wants Kasam's body and blood, to hide that they had an infectious man working on base.

Cut to evidence garage – Abby telling Gibbs and Tony all the diseases he could have had. They go to get the evidence from the room. Gibbs goes through everything to find what the virus was, and they go to find duplicates to give the man. Abby uses her PDA and immediately tells them the location of the nearest tea shop, then takes the originals for testing for the virus.

Cut to MTAC, and them negotiating with the man. The man knows the director's name, and he demands the evidence that Tony and Gibbs were getting duplicates of.

Cut to autopsy – Kate picks up a dissecting tool and attempts to stab the man. But confronts him about it, then attempts, and he grabs her, and basically tells her it was a test.

Cut to Abby video-ing into MTAC that she found the virus. The man calls MTAC, and tells Gibbs to come down alone with all the evidence from Kasam's room.

Cut to squad room with Tony running in saying that he got everything Gibbs enters the elevator to go down He arrives and enter autopsy, it's pitch black. The man comments that Gibbs looks older than he expected. He tells him to put the stuff down, and walk to the door with his hands on his head. Gibbs pulls out the nasal spray, and then opens the evidence bag and uses it, he tells the man that the real stuff is on its way to CDC The man asks Gibbs how far away from Kasam he was when he shot him. Gibbs tells him 37' and a few inches. The man remarks how he is a very good shot. Gibbs says he would like to demonstrate. And the man then says that Kate said she wanted to shoot him too. The man offers Gibbs a chance to demonstrate and gives him the clip to Kate's gun. Gibbs takes the gun, and puts the clip in, and then asks the man why, and shoots him, Gibbs get shot and a smoke bomb goes off, as the hostage team runs in. They search for the man, leaving Gibbs on the ground. fade out fade in to Tony waking up Gibbs, Gibbs asks if he got the guy, and Tony says yes. They look at the man on the floor, and Gibbs turns him over and says that it is not the man.

Cut to squad room – Tony discussing what happened to Kate, and mentions how Gibbs said that he thought that he was wearing a bullet proof vest, Kate says how when she tried to stab him she felt the vest. Tony asks if she fell for the man, and her facial expression hints at it.

Cut to Ducky leaving autopsy, with Abby lying on the table; she smiles and closes her eyes.

Cut to a Gibbs' basement – He is sitting there with a sling on his left arm, and gun in his hand, and he turns and fires twice, and shoots a picture of the man in the head, dead center.

The Truth Is Out There

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Summary: When the body of a marine is found after a party in an illegal night club, the team investigates a number of possible leads - including blackmail and accidental death.



The scene opens up on a party at a night-club, following a young man leaving the party to use the restroom. As he stands at the urinal, blood starts to drip on him from the ceiling. Finished, he finds a garbage can to stand on and pokes at a large wet spot in the ceiling. The ceiling collapses and a dead body falls out.

The NCIS team arrives at the crime scene. Tony engages Kate in small talk in an attempt to get her mind off of the terrorist. Kate insists she isn't thinking of him. Gibbs is "growling like a wounded bear" but that would be because he was wounded by the terrorist. Tony feels sorry for the terrorist because he wouldn't want

Gibbs on his track. Kate says that they will never see that guy again. Tony responds maybe not, but Gibbs will.

Ducky is all ready at the scene. Gibbs says they're late because "someone knew a short cut." Ducky came on the GW Parkway, after stopping to visit Gerald at the hospital and he still beat them to the crime scene. Gibbs asks after Gerald and Ducky replies that he will be in rehab for months. Ducky then gets right in Gibbs' face and says "I want that terrorist on my table, Jethro."

Gibbs gives out assignments. Ducky fills them in on the details of the petty officer's (Chris Gordon's) demise. Gordon suffered multiple traumatic injuries before he fell from the ceiling, that fall only added to the injuries. Gordon was dressed after he was killed. Ducky found safety glass in Gordon's hair. There were indications that Gordon had a cell phone, but no cell phone was found.

The main question right now is how did the petty officer end up in the basement ceiling. The team moves out to the parking lot and finds a blood trail. The blood trail leads them to tire

tracks. Someone accelerated and ran over Gordon. Gibbs wants to talk to the person who ran the nightclub but the local LEO on the scene interviewed him and let him go. Gibbs snaps at the guy about letting material witnesses leave the scene and the LEO says "he had to go."

Cut to a high school as the team walks through the courtyard and approaches a young man named Darin Spotnitz. They question him about the petty officer and Darin says he wasn't working the door. Darin brings out his PDA and Gibbs comments on it, actually using the correct term. Until Darin corrects him and gives him the complete details on the phone. Darin beams the info to Kate. Darin is not quite 17 and he is the person who runs the moving nightclub. He goes into a huge business spiel about how the professors say the way to succeed is to motivate your employees. He disagrees, saying he keeps costs down and controllable to turn a profit. Darin has put a name brand on his parties and people flock to them. His PDA rings and he goes to answer it, a remark from Gibbs stops him. Darin hands them his business card with his contact information and for the first time shows concern. Concern that they are going to tell his parents since he isn't old enough to even be in a nightclub. As they walk away, Kate calculates Darin's profit from one night.

Cut to the naval base. The team is there to search PO Gordon's quarters. Someone else has all ready searched them. Tony explains the naval housing situation to Kate as Gibbs starts to work. They continue chatting until Gibbs tells them to get to work. As they search they comment on what they're finding. Searching the DVDs reminds Tony that he needs to return Gigli. PO Gordon was in to reality shows, including Punk'd. Gibbs, of course, does not know what that is. When Kate and Tony explain it to him, he realizes it is like Candid Camera. Kate and Tony don't know what that is. Then Gibbs notices that the stereo is on, but you cannot hear it. The speakers aren't connected. They find \$40,000 hidden in the speakers; all \$100 bills, non-sequential serial numbers.

The scene shifts to PO Gordon's work station, the supply depot. Gibbs interviews his section chief as forklifts zoom around them. The section chief says Gordon was a good worker, although a bit of a practical joker. He also tells them about Gordon's four friends. Gibbs informs him of the \$40,000. The chief says he doesn't believe it was drugs nor gambling. The PO wasn't high enough up in rank to influence contracts so no kick backs either. Gibbs tries to intimidate the chief by saying someone would have to be his level to get kick backs. The chief agrees.

Back in autopsy, Ducky has unanswered questions. PO Gordon's injuries are consistent with being hit by a car, but he had baby powder on his hands. There is also latex on the safety glass that Ducky removed from Gordon's scalp. It's as if PO Gordon was wearing something made of rubber over his head when he was hit.

In Abby's lab Abby confirms that it was rubber on the shards of glass. Gibbs asks if it could have been a hat. Abby says maybe if you grew up in Dorkville. Gibbs replies that he grew up just west of there. Abby goes on to describe what possible reasons that PO Gordon could have had latex on his head, starting with bondage/S&M gear. Abby then starts to describe what one of her dates wanted her to do at which point Gibbs stops her. Abby says it is no different than a Packer fan and Gibbs disagrees.

They move on to the tire tracks. Abby gives Gibbs a list of the cars that use that particular tire. All the blood at the scene was the victim's, no drugs but he was legally drunk.

They talk about the baby power on the victim's hands. Abby says that guys have all sorts of rituals before they go out. One guy she knows does a full upper body workout just seconds before his date so he's all pumped when she arrives. Gibbs asks if Tony knows Abby knows that. Abby responds with her own question does Tony know that Gibbs knows?

Abby is going to do a computer simulation of the accident to see if the latex may have come from the car.

As a parting shot, Abby asks if Gibbs has any fetishes. He replies that he has three ex-wives and cannot afford any fetishes.

Back in the squadroom, Kate is trying to figure out what Tony's employment classification is. He declines to tell her so that she won't know how much money he makes. Telling her all about his dates is braggin; money is personal. Gibbs walks in and announces the time. Tony asks if they're quitting early. Gibbs' look tells him that they are going back to the naval base to interview Gordon's four buddies who are starting work soon. As Kate and Tony gear up, the camera swings around Gibbs' desk area and we see the facial recognition software running non-stop against the terrorist's picture.

Gibbs has the four buddies in the interrogation room, asking about how they choose that party, how they got there, etc. They all tell the same story, they went together in one car, one of the men's, and Gordon met a "babe" and left with her about midnight. One of the men drives a Taurus, which is on the list of cars for the tires. He is not the man who said he drove. He also says that he loaned his car to his brother and it is on the way to Phoenix.

Gibbs is suspicious because their stories are so similar. He doesn't like their description of the girl, all the same, yet generic. They know where Gordon is. What happened to that girl? They put out an APB on the missing Taurus and go to see the door keeper from the event.

The scene switches to Soul Cuts, Antoine Mann's salon. He owns the salon and moonlights as the bouncer for Darin Spotnitz. It's all part of Antoine's plan to retire by 50. Antoine remembers the five sailors. Claims that Gordon did not leave the club with a woman at any time. The owner of the Taurus left with the woman.

Back at the squad room, we zoom in on the facial recognition software still running non-stop. Gibbs feels they have missed something important in their investigation. Why are they all lying? To protect Wong (the owner of the car)? Or some other reason. Kate questions the facial recognition software. Gibbs ran it against every known terrorist, why is it still running? Gibbs is running it again.

Tony reviews the known facts of the case. Gibbs doesn't want to interview anyone again until they know how Gordon got the \$40,000. He advises Kate and Tony to be like Woodward and Bernstein and "follow the money." Tony is wondering about the fact that the cash is all in \$100 dollar bills. If it was drugs or gambling or theft, it wouldn't be all \$100s. They decide the money had to come from a bank. Maybe blackmail or ransom? Blackmail seems likely but who would Gordon have been blackmailing?

Gibbs has gone down to Abby's lab to check on the accident recreation. Abby is extolling the virtues of her software. Gibbs brings her to a halt with a curt "Abby." Abby protests that Gibbs likes it when she talks tech, but she does move on to her findings. Abby has confirmed that Gordon was wearing the latex, it did not come from the car. Abby continues on with details of the parameters she has feed into the accident recreation program. The conversation goes off into a tangent about databases of databases. Gibbs tells Abby that she is spending too much time with Ducky. Again, Abby gets back on track. Abby is positive that the car that hit Gordon was a Taurus. Unless, of course, it was a Mercury Sable.

In the squad room Tony finds a pre-paid phone card in Gordon's wallet. If you have a cell phone, why do you have a pre-paid phone card? So that you can't trace his calls. But they have the card, so they can trace his calls. The number one number called belongs to Bartext Corporation, which was just awarded a big defense contract. The chief said Gordon wasn't high enough in rank to benefit from kickbacks, but perhaps the chief was taking them, Gordon found out and was blackmailing the chief.

Gibbs gets off the elevator asking about all Tauruses who have base parking permits. They are all accounted for except Wong's. So far the APB on Wong's car has turned up nothing. Gibbs asks about Mercury Sables. Tony didn't check on them but realizes it's the same car. The chief drives a Mercury Sable. Tony and Kate explain their blackmail theory to Gibbs. So they're off to the base to take a look at the chief's Sable.

At the base they discover the car is gone. The chief did not tell his crew where he was going, but if they really need him they call his cell phone. Gibbs calls Abby and asks her if she can trace the location of a cell phone. Abby says she can trace a cell phone's location to within 100 yards as long as it is a newer phone with GPS installed. They discuss the legality of this. Abby describes it as a charcoal grey area of the law. Gibbs gives her the number and Abby dials it. You hear the chief saying hello over and over as Abby determines his location and gives Gibbs the address. The address belongs to Bartex Corporation.

Gibbs and crew arrive at the address just as the chief is trying to leave. Gibbs blocks him in with the staff car. The chief at first declines to discuss why he is at Bartex but Gibbs tells him it is either here or in front of the Admiral. The chief asks to keep his answers confidential, Gibbs replies with a curt no. While this conversation is going on, Tony and Kate are examining the exterior of the car as closely as possible, looking for signs of a collision or recent repair work. According to the chief, he was offered a position at Bartex and is seriously considering taking it, but didn't want anyone to know about it until he had made his final decision. The chief pops the hood of his car. There is no damage to the car, the windshield is the original equipment. This is

not the car that hit PO Gordon.

On the drive back Gibbs is driving so slow that other motorists are honking their horns and passing them by. Gibbs is doing 40 in a 65 mph zone, exceedingly unusual for him. Tony and Kate try to engage him in small talk but Gibbs isn't having any of it. "Not again" Gibbs mutters. "We are not going to lose again" this time said emphatically with a slap of the hand on the steering wheel. Gibbs tromps on the gas and does a highly illegal U-turn complete with squealing tires. "We are going back to that warehouse and we are staying until we nail whoever hit Petty Officer Gordon."

Gibbs is back, complete with a fish-tailing high-speed turn back into the parking lot of the crime scene. Gibbs gets out of the car and you can see the determination and purpose in his stance. He surveys the scene and the work gets started. Tony asks Kate if she has plans for tonight. Not really she replies. Good says Tony because the last time Gibbs was like this, Tony didn't get home for a week. Kate says the sad part is that that would actually be an improvement over her social life.

They all fan out and start searching for whatever clues there are that will tell them what actually happened in that parking lot.

Kate finds the first clue: some latex snagged on a hole in the chain link fence surrounding the parking lot. They bag and tag it. Tony asks Kate if she knows what that is. Kate replies yes she does, it's evidence.

Gibbs finds something on the ground in the parking lot on the other side of the chain link fence. Gibbs holds the edge of his knife to it and you can see writing reflected on the knife blade. Kate asks him to tell them what he is looking for, Gibbs replies they should have patience. Kate doesn't think Gibbs really knows what happened, but Tony does. Kate takes a picture of whatever is on the ground. Tony finds fresh cigarette butts. Two of the friends smoke; they can DNA off the butts. Tony finds marks on the ground from a tripod and Gibbs finds the wrapper of a tape for a video camera. Kate asks Gibbs for information again and he responds by showing her the tape wrapper and saying they filmed it. Filmed what she asks, but Gibbs doesn't reply; he just forms a picture frame with his gloved hands and looks through it to see his car parked by the tire tracks in the parking lot.

Back in Ducky's autopsy suite, the four friends are lined up two on each side of the body drawer. Ducky pulls PO Gordon out of his drawer and his friends can see the crude stitching of the "Y" incision for the autopsy. Ducky informs them that an autopsy is required in a murder investigation. One of the POs asks to be excused by Gibbs steps up behind him and tells him that chance was lost three days ago.

Now all four of the friends are sitting in the interrogation room, stewing. Tony, Kate, and Gibbs are watching through the one-way mirror. Tony is taking bets on who will break first. Gibbs doesn't care which one it is, he knows that one of them will break. Gibbs inquires as to the status of his video tape; Abby is cleaning it up as they speak. They all file into the interrogation room.

Tony and Kate explain to the four POs why you never put suspects together in a room. But they don't care about that today. Gibbs displays the piece of latex in its evidence bag and says quietly we know what happened. Now it's just a question of time, how much time they'll all do at Leavenworth.

Carter breaks first (the one who asked to be excused from autopsy) saying it was all just a joke. Wong tells Carter to shut up and asks for a lawyer. Morgan wants to cooperate, Wong says they have nothing. Tony and Kate imply they have Wong's car and have found blood on it. Wong says there is no way they have his car. Gibbs tells him they don't need his car and shows them a video tape cassette. Kate and Tony roll in a VCR and monitor. Gibbs stands to put in the video tape reminding them that they had their chance to come clean in return for help on their sentencing. All of them, except Wong, start to volunteer information before Gibbs can play the tape.

They claim it was Gordon's idea, a practical joke he had been planning for months as pay back for when Wong set Gordon up with a transvestite. Wong still wants them to stop talking but the others say that they can't live with what's happened to Gordon. The girl was a call girl. She was hired to lure Wong out of the club into the parking lot for the joke. Footage of what happened at the club is played. Then we see the other friends setting up the joke. Gordon is getting into a costume while someone else sets up a video camera.

Next we see video of Wong and the call girl making out in his car and of the other men videotaping it. Bright lights flash distract Wong. Back to the making out. The others open up a cooler of dry ice.

Kate says she didn't think Wong would scare that easily. Wong insists he didn't know it was Gordon.

Back to the video and the bright lights are back along with an eerie sound and the steam from the dry ice. Now the call girl hears and sees it. Gordon is dressed in an ET costume and walking through the mist towards the car. The girl starts screaming and Wong starts to panic saying he cannot find his keys. Wong starts the car and floors it, running over Gordon.

The other three POs are crying and extremely remorseful for Gordon's death. Wong is dry-eyed and saying that it was just an accident. Gibbs inquires about the \$40,000. They deny that they knew that Gordon had that kind of money. They say they are sorry they hid the body they knew it was wrong.

Gibbs asks Wong specifically if he didn't know about the money. Wong replies that the only thing he is guilty of is manslaughter, they saw the tape. This tape? says Gibbs, waving the cassette. This isn't your tape, but you're in it they tell him. Gibbs puts the tape in the player. It's a video surveillance tape from a bank. They watch Gordon cashing a check with Wong looking on.

The other three POs look at Wong with disbelief on their faces. Gordon inherited money and took his buddy along to the bank with him when he cashed the check. Wong still insists it was an accident, but they have a witness. Kate opens the door and the call girl joins them. She tells them that Wong knew it was a prank and Wong was giving her a thousand dollars to go along with it. Wong knew it was Gordon and that it was a prank.

Back up in the squad room, Tony turns off the light over his desk. He invites Kate to join him for Chinese food. Kate says sure and wants to ask Gibbs as well. Tony tells her Gibbs is busy doing the same thing he does every night. The camera pans over to Gibbs watching the facial recognition software running and running.

UnSEALed

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Recurring Role: Sean Murray (Agent Tim McGee)
Guest Stars: Tim Abell (Jack D. Curtin), Al Sapienza (Cmdr. William Foley), Leon Russom (Grandpa), Barbara Tarbuck (Grandma), Alicia Coppola (Lt. Cmdr. Faith Coleman), Randy J. Goodwin (Defense Lawyer), Tim Kelleher (Agent Pacci), Roxana Zal (Mrs. Foley), Cody Estes (Kevin Curtin), Cristi Harris (Vicki Spain), Archie Drury (Rod Spain)
Production Code: 01018
Summary: The team is looking for an ex-SEAL who escaped from prison in search of revenge. He is determined to find the real murderer of his wife.



James D. Curtin, ex Navy SEAL, breaks into a couple's house to change his clothes after he escapes prison. The couple is left unharmed. Curtin was in Leavenworth for killing his wife and their cable repair man.

NCIS is called into find Curtin and apprehend him. In the squad room of NCIS headquarters Kate tells Tony she sleeps with a gun under her pillow in case of intruders. Gibbs thinks this is a good idea. Gibbs decides to find out what direction the fugitive is headed in.

Kate and Gibbs interview the parents of Curtin's dead wife, and his son Kevin. Kate is left at the house to protect them in case Curtin shows up as they suspect he might show up to see his son.

Tony interviews Lt. Commander Faith Coleman the JAG lawyer who helped convict Curtin. Tony learns that Curtin called the police and was found with blood on his hands and on the murder weapon.

Gibbs interviews Commander William Foley, Curtin's boss, and part of the group of SEALs that showed up at Curtin's trial to support him. Abby explains that Curtin made a finger print of the guard's using tooth paste, and he used this finger print to escape the prison.

Curtin shows up where his son is and ties up Kate and is now in possession of Kate's service weapon.. Agent McGee is outside watching the house, but doesn't see anything. McGee eventually unties Kate but by the time he does this Curtin is on the run. Kate lies and says that the police had found Curtin's car in order for Curtin to find a new escape plan. He hijacks someone and is shot at and injured by Kate.

We learn about Gibbs obsession with Ari through his conversation with Kevin. Meanwhile Tony and McGee look for evidence and Tony does the Tommy Lee speech from the movie *The Fugitive*.

Gibbs realizes Curtin is after the person who really killed his wife and the cable guy. He had come across information in prison that led him to the guilty party. The two JAG lawyers who tried the case were called in to go through the evidence that Curtin had access to in prison. They find a call log that wasn't available at trial and they find a connection between Curtin's dead wife and the Foley's. Kate and Tony interview Commander Foley's wife and Gibbs interviews Foley himself.

McGee interrupts Gibbs interrogation of Foley to tell him the killer had given her herpes and Foley's medical charts show that he did not have an affair with Curtin's wife after all. In the squad room Tony reviews the call log and discovers that the call from Foley's number to the dead woman was made when he was away. Tony figures out the killer and jealous lover of Curtin's wife is Mrs. Foley and not Commander Foley.

NCIS arrests Mrs. Foley and Kate acts as a decoy to draw in Curtin, so they can bring him in. Kate gets her service weapon back from Curtin. Curtin will eventually be exonerated for the murders Mrs. Foley committed; whether or not he has to face charges for his escape, is left open ended.

Dead Man Talking

Season 1
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Season Episode: 19

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Director: Dennis Smith
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Recurring Role: Sean Murray (Agent Tim McGee)
Guest Stars: Jamie Luner (Amanda Reed), Cristine Rose (Pat Stone), John Marshall Jones (Detective Hanley), Tim Kelleher (Agent Pacci), Fredric Lehne (Captain Graves), Edmund L. Shaff (Security Guard George), Loren Lazerine (Building Manager), Nick Jaine (Jason Patel), Richard Augustine (Janitor)
Production Code: 01019
Summary: An NCIS agent has been murdered while investigating a case and the team's job is to find out what happened.



Evening guards complain about false fire alarms in a building being renovated. They call the elevator to ride up and turn off the alarm. The opening door reveals a man's body, disemboweled.

Tony answers Kate's phone, and Kate catches him. Kate makes a date (with someone called Dwayne, to Tony's derision), but does not get out in time. Gibbs comes in to say a fellow agent, Chris Pacci, has been found murdered. Chris sat behind Kate. The three of them flash back to Chris trying to speak to Gibbs about a cold case.

The team finds out the CCTV does not work yet and the janitor did not see any-

one come in. At the building, the team discovers Pacci was shot on the 6th floor, staggered along the hall to the elevator, and rode down. He was disembowelled in the elevator, when he was already near death. Ducky is upset to be doing an autopsy on someone he knows. We get a flashback reconstruction.

When they look at Chris' desk, they find his weapon (NCIS operatives are supposed to be armed at all times). So this suggests he had left the weapon behind when tailing someone, not wanting an alarm to be set off. Gibbs tells Kate and Tony to go to Pacci's flat that evening, so Kate has to cancel her date.

Kate and Tony arrive to search Pacci's apartment. The phone rings. Shock! It is McGee calling from Norfolk. Pacci had asked him to find civilian files on a 3-year-old car accident. Tony orders him to DC by 0700 next morning.

The bullet in Pacci is a Smith and Wesson .356. Abby tells this to Gibbs but she has no more info about what Pacci was working on. Gibbs and Ducky are in Autopsy. X-rays showed a "foreign object" that Pacci had apparently swallowed. They speculate that the killer had slashed

Pacci looking for it, but didn't have enough time to find it, and was scared off by the alarm. The object, identified by the young autopsy tech, is a memory card, probably from a digital camera.

The case McGee brought concerns the death of a Lieutenant Commander Voss in a car accident. Voss's former commanding officer had spoken with Pacci recently. Voss had been under investigation for procurement fraud; about \$12 million total; no money has been recovered, before or after Voss's death. Gibbs reckons Pacci swallowed the memory card because he knew Ducky would be doing the post-mortem. Later Pacci's camera, minus card, is found in the stairwell. Kate suggests Ducky looks at Voss' autopsy report 3 years on. Gibbs and Kate go to interview Voss' commanding Captain to ask about the case. The Captain explains Voss got away with the fraud for four years. Pacci had just wanted to know who Voss had dated.

Pictures on the memory card show neighborhood scenes and a striking woman. McGee uses clues in the pictures to pin down the address - only one street with the right kind of street furniture also has the right kind of mailbox with a 3 digit number and Tony then finds the woman's name (Amanda Reed) and credit report off the address. First impressions are that she is a solid citizen. Gibbs identifies the window the pictures were taken from, and they rent the apartment for a stakeout. This is the great moment when Gibbs and Tony are mistaken for a gay couple. The building manager reports seeing an identical badge - it must have been Pacci.

Back at the office, Tony discovers that the townhouse where Amanda Reed lives, and bought with cash, was previously in the Voss family for 3 generations. But Kate has no apparent driver's licence or automobile. It is established this will be McGee's first stakeout.

Alternating among office, lab, stakeout, and witness interviews. The lady takes prescription drugs, and has expensive tastes (Prada bag). Pacci's computer shows he had checked out a Bangkok visitors' website. Per the real estate agent, Pacci had contacted her, asking to be notified if the Voss townhouse went up for sale. She forgot till afterwards, but Pacci seemed happy to hear Reed had bought it. Per a check of their records, Reed had lived near where Voss was stationed, for some years. After some stakeout banter (and comparing themselves to the film Stakeout), they comb her garbage, finding nothing helpful on the first check - there are a lot of beauty products, leading to speculation that Reed is older than she looks. Later, the garbage goes to Abby to check for fingerprints.

After a sharp phone conversation with the historical society about painting her exterior woodwork, Reed comes out to work on her flowers. Tony slips out to talk with her in person, much to the others' disgust. Tony says to Reed his name is 'Stringfellow.'

Gibbs gets the tissue samples from the Voss accident case. He had been identified by a DNA match. Ducky knows the medical examiner to be competent, but Gibbs wants Abby to retest the DNA. She can tell quickly that the tissue samples are not from Voss, as the blood types do not match. So Voss is alive....."with all those millions".....

Gibbs and Kate are driving to check on the bad DNA match. The tech who certified the match, Joshua Lurie, is dead, 2 years ago in a car crash. Later, Kate finds out Lurie was Voss's high school classmate. So Voss has likely killed at least 2, the person wrongly identified as Voss, and Lurie. They realize Voss was watching Pacci watching Reed.

At the stakeout, McGee and DiNozzo see a package being delivered. Tony slips out again to see the return address. He's disconcerted to see it is anti-aging cream. Then Amanda Reed opens her door and catches him. Tony flirts his way inside; they make a date for a nearby restaurant. Gibbs rings up McGee to be told that DiNozzo is in with Reed and then manages to warn DiNozzo that he is bait. McGee follows to the restaurant, from the stakeout apartment.

As the field team is leaving for the restaurant, Abby rushes in with a shocker. All the fingerprints from the garbage are from one person, Amanda Reed - AND Lt Commander Voss!! "She is a he...."

Awaiting their food, Tony and Amanda are flirting. Tony's cell rings, and it's Gibbs. Tony says he has to take it, but Reed goes into a passionate appetizer clinch with him instead. Amanda excuses herself to the ladies' (!) room. Tony calls Gibbs back and gets the unwelcome news. Tony confronts Amanda while McGee lurks. Amanda attacks, Tony retaliates, and is pulled off by 2 chivalrous men from the bar. There is a melee, a fine bar brawl, with McGee identifying them a Federal agents, and trying unsuccessfully to get someone to catch him-her.

Gibbs and Kate arrive just in time. Faced with Gibbs' gun at point-blank range, Amanda/Voss makes a desperate try to bring up her gun. She is shot, presumably killed. Kate waves her NCIS badge so the customers release Tony and McGee.

Back in the office, Gibbs is going through Chris' effects before they are boxed up. The others are discussing Voss/ Amanda, and transgender films like *The Crying Game* and *Victor/Victoria*. Voss / Amanda had not yet his operation. Finally Kate comes up to Tony and he, knowing she is going to tease him says: "Go on then, I can take it." So Kate says: 'What was it like, tonguing a guy?' And Tony says: 'Forget it, I can't take it.'

Missing

Season 1
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Season Episode: 20

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Recurring Role: Sean Murray (Agent Tim McGee)
Guest Stars: Steve Rankin (Sgt. Bill Atlas), Dayna Devon (Attractive Girl), Jenya Lano (Carol Powers), Alex Meneses (Waitress/ Vanessa), Derek Webster (Major Joe Sacco), Cole Griffin (Marine Corporal Jackson), Jacobi Wynne (uncredited), Michael Goetz (Bartender), Robert Floyd (Police Officer)
Production Code: 01020
Summary: A marine goes missing after a date with a reporter. During the investigation, the team discovers that three former members of his unit are dead and suspect the unit commander to be a serial killer.



A couple are sitting in a bar discussing his missing buddies. The Marine is concerned that the woman will also be involved. She reminds him that her husband finding out could also be dangerous. The waitress brings a drink from an admirer and the Marine drinks it and then leaves the woman telling her he'll call.

Outside the bar the Marine starts to light a cigarette, gets dizzy, says "I should have told. . ." and collapses. He awakens in an underground area, chained to the wall, his only companion a skeleton.

Open on the squad room with Kate walking up to Tony's desk. Banter ensues

regarding Tony's typing, fashion sense, and spying on Kate. Turns out he's playing a video game. You see Gibbs approaching as Kate tries to warn Tony. Kate then tries to cover by saying she was giving Tony advice on getting his ears pierced. Gibbs remarks that if Tony wants to look like a gay pirate, that's Tony's call.

Gibbs then informs them that a Marine gunnery sergeant is missing. They are involved because this gunny knows how to arm small yield nuclear weapons. They gear up and follow Gibbs to the elevator. As the elevator doors shut, Gibbs lets Tony know that he knows all about the computer game.

The Marine is Bill Atlas and they track his pick-up truck to the bar. Tony, of course, hits on the waitress. The waitress identifies the Marine from the picture. Kate stays to interview her while Gibbs and Tony go out to the parking lot to look at the pick-up truck.

The Marine was 1 year away from a 20-year pension, so they don't believe he just walked away. Tony spouts statistics about missing people to which Gibbs replies he's not big on statistics.

Whereupon Tony inserts his foot into his mouth by remarking on statistics on failed marriages and Gibbs' marital track record. One of Gibbs' hard looks and they are back at work.

Soon, however, Tony is taking pictures of the waitress instead of the crime scene. Gibbs finds Atlas' lighter in the parking lot; Tony the unlit cigarette.

Cut to Atlas. He hears footsteps approaching. Someone is watching him through a cut-out in the door. Atlas tries to reason with the observer, then begs for food, then shouts "say something" and starts frantically trying to get out of his chains.

Cut back to the bar parking lot. Kate has a sketch of the woman who was with Atlas the other night. Tony is back flirting with the waitress. Gibbs is losing patience with Tony. Tony comes over to report that he got her name. Gibbs could care less until Tony reveals that he got the waitress to remember that the woman paid with a credit card and he's got the woman's name, Carol Powers, and her occupation, journalist. Tony gets a grudging "Good job" from Gibbs.

They pull Carol in for a chat. Kate is handling it in the squad room. Carol denies knowing Atlas and denies the affair. Things immediately turn hard ball and Carol is in the interrogation room facing Gibbs. Carol denies that her husband knew she was having an affair. She says that Atlas contacted her 3 weeks ago, telling her that several of his friends had gone missing and he might be next. Atlas was worried that someone in his unit was killing them.

Kate and Tony are observing the interrogation. Kate believes her, Tony thinks Atlas was just lying to get Carol in bed. Tony tells Kate all men lie, it's expected of them. Kate reminds Tony that not all men are like him, to which Tony responds "You honestly still believe you look 25?" Kate's rueful answer: "not anymore."

Gibbs walks Carol to the elevator, letting her know that her husband will find out about the affair. Carol semi-threatens to publish her story but Gibbs is very clear that he doesn't care. Kate asks why Gibbs was so hard on her, it's because Carol reminds Gibbs of his ex-wife. Which one? All of them.

They discuss the husband's alibi which is valid and then they talk about Atlas' story about men missing from his unit. They are concerned that terrorists, at which they all glance at Gibbs' computer which is running face recognition software non-stop on the terrorist from Bete Noire, are taking out EOD (Explosive Ordnance Disposal) personnel.

They also discover that Atlas has a new CO, one with whom he had a physical altercation several years ago. Then they are interrupted by a phone call from Abby.

Cut to Atlas. The watcher is back. Atlas again demands to know who it is, what they want, what organization are they with. Silence. And then a swarm of bees is released into the cell with Atlas.

Cut to Abby's lab. Abby was bored so she ran every single test she could think of on the cigarette. How bored was Abby? She's building a model of the battle of Gallipoli. They digress to look at her model until Gibbs' angry looks get them back on track.

Abby found traces of brawn (spelling?) which is a mixture of speed and cocaine and can be bought over the counter in Japan and Okinawa. Atlas was stationed in Okinawa. Gibbs wants to go to Quantico. Tony starts to talk about rush hour traffic but is silenced by Gibbs' look. Kate and Tony leave to get the car.

Gibbs says he has something more constructive for Abby to do with her time. He also tells Abby that Gallipoli was an amphibious operation, which piques her interest. Fortunately her diorama is on styrofoam so it will float. We do not hear what Gibbs wants Abby to look at. Instead we

Cut to rush hour traffic. Tony jabbars about rush hour and Gibbs threatens him. Tony slurps his drink, which Gibbs takes away and throws out of the car. Tony accuses Gibbs of littering, Gibbs doesn't care. Kate is on the phone and learns that Atlas' CO, Major Sacco, is not at Quantico but out in the field disarming a bomb.

Cut to a pickup truck in the middle of nowhere with two people in a haz-mat type suits trying to disarm a bomb located in the bed of the pickup truck. The men fail in their attempts to disarm the bomb and it goes boom. They are being lectured by Sacco when Gibbs arrives.

Sacco is not concerned about Atlas' disappearance. He feels that Atlas is a "marginal" Marine, has alcohol problems, and that they are better off without him. Sacco acknowledges their problems in the past but does not clarify them. Gibbs and team believe that Sacco is hiding something. As they are walking away, Gibbs starts to say "You two might want to cover your..."

and then a big explosion occurs. Kate and Tony drop to the ground, Gibbs finishes "ears" and continues walking.

Gibbs is taking a more scenic route back to avoid traffic. It's Tony's turn in the back seat and he is feeling car sick. Abby calls, Kate answers. Abby has investigated the Atlas/Sacco incident and discovered that three other Marines from their old unit have gone missing. All three that are now missing, carried as deserters, served with Atlas under Sacco in the Philippines.

Cut to Atlas. There are still some bees buzzing around. Atlas is trying to kill them, but he is in a bad way.

Cut to the squad room where they're looking at the three missing Marines they just found out about. They have all disappeared without a trace, spread over several years. Gibbs isn't ready to bring in Sacco, he wants more information on what went on in the Philippines in 1992. Gibbs makes assignments and leaves. Tony reminisces about the good old days when Gibbs confided in them. Kate says they didn't exist. Tony is glad that he isn't the only one who doesn't remember them.

Cut to Gibbs in MTAC viewing the clip of the terrorist over and over again with a flashback to the shoot out where Gibbs shoots the terrorist and the terrorist shoots him. Gibbs rubs his chest where the terrorist shot him.

Cut to Abby's lab. Kate is coming in to help Abby research the 1992 EOD team and discovers that Abby is now making boats for her Gallipoli diorama. Getting back to the case, Sacco's EOD unit in 1992 was clearing out the ammunition storage dumps because they were closing the base. Kate asks how big his unit was; Abby replies that they could ask him but in her experience men lie about those things. Then she replies six men.

Abby has identified the sixth man. He got a bad conduct discharge for assaulting his CO in 1999. Abby has been trying to find him, without luck. As she is speaking to Kate, Abby is getting ready to leave. Abby is going to a party. Kate doesn't understand how Abby gets to leave; Abby replies that she just asked Gibbs. Abby tells Kate to call if she needs help, but tells her to just disregard any background noises she will hear.

Cut to the squad room. Tony is full back in his chair, asleep and snoring. Gibbs walks in and hovers over him, takes a piece of the pizza from Tony's desk, and hollers at Tony with a mouthful of pizza. Tony responds that he cannot hear anything since the explosion yesterday. Gibbs tells him to find Kate and be prepared to brief him.

Tony springs into action, shouting for Kate. No response. Tony screams and Kate pops up from the floor behind her desk, very disheveled. Tony keeps a toothbrush, etc. in his desk drawer and begins to clean up. Kate just stands there looking unhappy.

Cut to Atlas. We hear the door slam. Atlas wakes up and asks who is there in a very quavering voice. Atlas sees a cross on the floor and picks it up. Atlas realizes who has captured him and starts screaming that he didn't know, that they have to believe him, he didn't know.

Cut to the squad room. Gibbs is still eating the cold pizza. Kate and Tony have cleaned up. Kate declines the offer of pizza. They're still trying to track down the sixth man, he hasn't been heard from since 2002. Sacco was stationed in the vicinity of all the Marines who've gone UA. All they really have is a vague recollection from another Marine that the fight was over a woman.

Tony asks to shadow Sacco to see if he can find out something. Gibbs agrees. Tony tries to convince him to let him go, Kate tells him that Gibbs already agreed. Tony blames the explosion for his faulty hearing. Kate wants to go along, Gibbs says no. Gibbs warns Tony to call in every hour. If he misses a check-in, don't come back. (All of Gibbs' lines are delivered with a mouthful of pizza.) Kate tells Tony to be careful; she doesn't want to be stuck working with cranky Gibbs herself. Tony starts to say he's not so bad as Gibbs returns to the room and hollers at Tony for still being there.

Cut to Abby's lab. Abby has tracked down the sixth man, Cohen. They found him chained to a wall in a sewer system, dead. Abby is also worried about Tony. Abby has a weird feeling; Gibbs is not concerned, tells her that Tony can take care of himself, that Tony does his best work without an audience. Abby asks Kate if she is concerned about Tony, Kate says she thinks Abby is suffering the aftereffects of her party. All Abby drank was Red Bull. How many? asks Kate. Eighteen.

Cut to Tony in a car, talking to Gibbs on the phone. Tony is tailing Sacco. Gibbs tells Tony about finding Cohen dead. Tony follows Sacco to the bar. Gibbs is getting a search warrant

for Sacco's house. Gibbs is concerned for Tony, he tells him to watch his six. Tony's response: Always.

Cut to the interior of the bar. Tony asks for a sarsaparilla, bartender gives him a look, settles for a ginger ale. The waitress appears and chats up Tony.

Cut to Abby's lab. Kate and Gibbs are going through all the evidence from Cohen's crime scene. They find a cross which is odd since Cohen was Jewish. Sacco is Baptist.

Cut to the bar. Tony tries to hide from Sacco by hitting on an attractive woman, who has a very large boyfriend. Tony fast talks his way out of that one and goes looking for Sacco who has left the bar. Tony reports in to Gibbs and as he's talking on the phone he starts to get dizzy. Tony tells Gibbs he thinks he screws up as he falls to the ground, drops the cell phone and his car keys. He manages to pull his weapon before he passes out. Someone walks up and takes the gun from his hand.

Cut to Atlas watching Tony wake up. Welcome to hell.

Cut to the bar parking lot. They find Tony's cell phone. Kate and Gibbs do not voice their concern, but it is real. They do not know where Sacco is. And know Gibbs needs to report in to the Director that he has lost an agent.

Cut to Atlas. Tony is not chained and is looking for a way out. Atlas is amazed that it has only been a week. He is in very bad shape. Tony has a plan, it's just a little fuzzy. He tells Atlas to think positive. Atlas does. He's positive he's screwed. And he laughs. His sense of humor is still there. Tony says Rule Number 9. Atlas has no idea what he's talking about. Tony finds out that Gibbs' Rules are not from the Marine Corps. Rule Nine is always carry a knife. Tony uses it to unscrew the chain from the wall.

Cut to the squad room. Kate is profiling the killer. Gibbs realizes that Tony saw something, but Tony probably didn't realize how important it was. McGee comes running in, Gibbs tells him he's late. Kate tells McGee to use Tony's desk, Tony has other things on his mind than his desk right now.

Cut to Atlas. Tony has the chain loose. Atlas is looking at the cross. He wants to confess. Atlas tells Tony that he deserves this punishment, that they killed four girls and that Sacco was in love with one of them.

Cut to Ducky in autopsy. Ducky has reviewed the autopsy report for Cohen. Ducky comments on the honey bee stings but also says that's not what killed him. Cohen starved to death and it took weeks, possibly months. Gibbs is relieved because it means Atlas and Tony are probably still alive. Ducky tells Gibbs he'll find them. Gibbs asks if that's a question or a statement. Ducky says a little bit of both.

Cut to Atlas. Tony is using the chain and his knife to try and open the door, throwing the knife out the cut-out in the door to try and hook the handle. Atlas tells the story of the girls. How they tried to ship them home in a packing container but they didn't end up on the ship with the girls. The girls starved to death. The girl Sacco loved was one of these girls; she left Sacco for Atlas. Atlas figures that's why Sacco saved him for last.

Cut to exterior. A vehicle pulls up and Sacco gets out, complete with sidearm. Sacco enters the building and begins going down into the basement.

Cut to Abby's lab. Abby and McGee are working side-by-side, sharing the same Caf-Pow. They've found a match with a fingerprint from the cross found with Cohen. It matches a print on Carol Powers' credit card receipt from the bar. Kate assumes it is Carol Powers. McGee recommends more tests but is interrupted by a phone call. They've found Sacco's vehicle. Gibbs wants an arrest warrant for Carol Powers. McGee calls Gibbs Boss and corrects it to Agent Gibbs. Abby tells Kate to bring him back.

Cut to Tony. He's still trying to open the door. Atlas says he'll never make it. Tony says Atlas must not be a Marine then. The Marines he knows, they don't quit.

Cut to exterior. Gibbs and Kate arrive on scene. The LEO recommends waiting for the canine unit as they are down in the sewer system. Gibbs asks about the second car there, it's a stolen vehicle. Gibbs tells the LEO that he doesn't get lost and goes in. Sacco is also down in the sewer system. He finds the empty cell and begins yelling for Gunny. Now you see Tony helping Atlas as they run through the sewers. Sacco continues to yell for Gunny as Tony hauls Atlas around.

Gibbs and Kate hear Sacco screaming. Kate takes it as a sign that Tony is still alive. Who else pisses people off like that?

Atlas has to rest. Tony gives him 10 seconds to rest while Tony reconnoiters. Tony realizes they're going in circles and makes a mark on the wall. Atlas begs Tony to leave him when Tony hears Gibbs whisper his name. Gibbs and Kate are on the other side of the wall; they talk through a grate. Tony has to keep moving because Sacco is right behind them. Tony takes off carrying Atlas. Sacco is still chasing them. Tony finds a room filled with sunlight. There is a window blocked by bars. Tony remarks that his father was right, he is going to end up in the gutter.

Sacco comes around the corner and finds Tony and Atlas in the room. He is surprised to see Tony and asks why Tony didn't stop. Tony tells him to put down his weapon first. Sacco is surprised that Tony thinks he will shoot him. Sacco says that he followed her there. That he didn't want to believe it but she was completely insane and they had to get Atlas out before she came.

Tony asks "Who?" just as Sacco is shot twice in the back. Sacco collapses. The waitress comes into view and answers "That would be me."

The waitress completes the story of the botched shipping container. Sacco found her alive. The other girls had died. She has been killing the other men.

Gibbs and Kate have reached the opening to the room. They are listening to the waitress ramble on. Kate has orders to take her out if Kate thinks she's going to shoot anyone else.

She was the youngest of the four girls. The others gave her their food so she could live. She ended up living in the container with their corpses. She's been hunting down and killing those responsible, even though it has taken her eight years.

Tony tells her they can't let her do this. "We?" she asks as Kate comes around the corner and commands her to "Drop it!" The waitress is startled and drops her weapon which discharges. Tony catches her and puts her in a hold as he answers "My friends." Kate has her weapon trained on the waitress.

Cut to the elevator at NCIS. Gibbs, Tony, and Kate are in the elevator. Tony has not changed or cleaned up since coming out of the sewers. Tony is badgering Gibbs to get him to admit that Gibbs was worried about Tony, that he cared about Tony. The elevator opens and Gibbs strides out. Tony chases after him, continuing to question him. Gibbs stops and turns and looks at Tony. "Tony, as far as I'm concerned, you're irreplaceable." Gibbs has taken Tony's face in his hands and he gives him a light, affectionate slap on the jaw. Gibbs turns and walks away with Tony following telling him how he knew it all along, that Gibbs really did care for him.

They come around the corner and Gibbs says "Forget about it McGee. He's still alive." McGee looks up with that deer-caught-in-the-headlights look. He's sitting and working at Tony's desk. McGee's look turns into a smile as Tony gets a look of disbelief on his face. They all look over at Gibbs behind his desk. Gibbs has that self-amused smile on his face.

Split Decision

Season 1

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Season Episode: 21

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Director:	Terrence O'Hara
Show Stars:	Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard)
Recurring Role:	Sean Murray (Agent Tim McGee), Brian Dietzen (Palmer)
Guest Stars:	Erin LeShawn Wiley (Corporal McClain), Laz Alonso (S Sgt. Washington), Sam Witwer (S Sgt. Rafael), Bellamy Young (ATF Agent Melinda Stone), Scott MacDonald (Militia Leader), Michael Graziadei (Chuck), Stuart Stone (Dillon), Adam Hendershott (Josh)
Production Code:	01021
Summary:	When a body of a murdered marine is found in the forest, the investigation leads to the local militia and a weapon deal gone wrong.



A bunch of skateboarders find a body of a marine in the forest. When NCIS arrives at the scene, they discover that S.Sgt Grimm, an armorer who was on the boxing team, was killed with a missile. Kate meets Grimm's teammates in the gym, including Corporal McClain, who casually asks what happened and says she barely knew Grimm since they trained in the same gym.

Abby finds a serial number on the weapon that killed Grimm and traces it to the Armory where Grimm's had been stationed. Kate and Tony go to Grimm's apartment and discover his computer's entire hard drive had been reformatted.

Abby is able to recover the erased data and finds the last file Grimm viewed – a picture of weapons on the floor of Grimm's apartment. Gibbs was also pulling out the pictures of the weapons on the Internet.

The team discovers Grimm had placed seven phone calls to a pawn shop the day he died. DiNozzo goes undercover at the pawn shop where the daughter of the imprisoned store owner is running the business now and is asks Tony to sell weapons to her. When they pull the guns on each other, she turns out to be an ATF Agent, Melinda Stone. Melinda informs Tony that ATF is running the operation. She talked to Grimm on the phone without knowing who he was and set up the meeting time but he never showed up.

Kate goes back to the gym and confronts McClain, who was transporting weapons with Grimm the day he died. McClain said she just signed out on the shipment that had the missing missile, Grimm dropped her off right after they left the base and she went to see her boyfriend, who was shipping off to Iraq. Later, Kate goes to Grimm's unit and talks to S.Sgt. Rafael who says everything is always according to the procedure including Grimm signing in the weapons three days earlier.

Gibbs tells Melinda to call the buyer and set up the meeting where he would be going undercover.

Kate is now interrogating Rafael, who failed to mention that he attended the Armory School with Grimm and they kept in touch. After he is shown a picture of Grimm's body, Rafael admits that Grimm talked him into signing out the weapons as a one-time deal that would be good for the three people involved. Corporal McClain's alibi doesn't check out after her picture is shown to the hotel clerk and her boyfriend says that they broke up a month ago.

Melinda and Gibbs meet with the buyers – the local militia, who take them along to test the weapons and dispose the tracking device that was in Gibbs' watch on the way. When militia starts checking out the weapons, the first one is fine, but the other models are not in working condition. When Gibbs offers to lower the price he gets shot by the militia's leader. The militia leader makes Melinda call her supplier for more weapons. The supplier turns out to be McClain and when she goes to the storage area she is arrested by Kate and Tony.

When the militia leaders receives a call, he helps Gibbs up and it is revealed that it was an undercover operation with ATF really watching Melinda Stone since many things looked wrong during her last operation. It's also revealed that Grimm was killed during an argument.

A Weak Link

Season 1

Episode Number: 22

Season Episode: 22

Originally aired: Tuesday May 18, 2004 on CBS
Writer: Jack Bernstein
Director: Alan J. Levi
Show Stars: Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard)
Recurring Role: Sean Murray (Agent Tim McGee), Brian Dietzen (Palmer)
Guest Stars: Matt Battaglia (P.O. Porcaro), Robert Joseph (Lt. Commander Folsom), Ross Gibby (Petty Officer Vengal), Ryan Culver (Man), Austin Priester (Petty Officer Kenny), Tom R. Hughes (Lt. Johnson), Adam Baldwin (Cdr. Rainer), Johnny Sneed (CIA Agent Kramer), Julie Benz (Mrs. Johnson), Doug Savant (Larry Clannon), Kathryn Gordon (Young Pregnant Woman)
Production Code: 01022
Summary: Gibbs and his team investigate the death of a SEAL that occurred during a training exercise. As the investigation progresses, they come to suspect that the death was a murder rather than an accident.



Lt. Johnson falls to his death during a training exercise when his D-Link breaks, as he is rappelling down a cliff. Since his team was training for a secret mission, most of the information is classified. Abby finds someone's partial fingerprints on the D-Link and also discovers that the faulty D-Link (see image at bottom in photos section for an idea of what they are referring to) was handmade from an aluminum which is weaker than the factory manufactured ones that are made from steel. She assumes that someone

substituted Lt. Johnson's link in order to kill him.

NCIS now has 38 hours to find out what happened exactly or the mission would be cancelled. All special team members had no contact with the outside world except Petty Officer Vengal who called his pregnant wife. He broke security another time two weeks prior and was written up for the unauthorized absence. Vengal says he had to take his wife to the doctor. Searching Johnson's locker, they find evidence of 2 calls from his own cell phone, also during the no-contact period. Abby finds a match on the D-Link in the criminal database – it's Mrs. Johnson's.

Johnson's widow says the criminal record is for a car theft when she was 16 and it was her boyfriend who stole the car. As for the fingerprint, she was just picking up the stuff her husband was leaving around. Tony asks if her husband was sleeping in the den and she says they were having problems. NCIS confiscates their laptop. From Johnson's notes, they find out that Vengal lied as he took his wife to a doctor on a different day and during a check of his record, discover he was not recommended for a promotion.

When Kate checks Johnson's phone records, she finds out he called Father Clannon, his best friend, however, Father Clannon can't talk to NCIS about things said during confession, or

otherwise in confidence with a religious advisor. In the evidence room, the cell phone is vibrating as it receives a text message from an e-mail account asking Lt. Johnson why he wasn't there. Abby and McGee start hacking the servers while talking about their relationship.

PO Vengal is brought in to be interrogated. It's revealed that he was late to the squad meeting and was written up but he lied about taking his wife to a doctor because he went to an off-base doctor himself for an inner ear infection so he wouldn't be taken off the mission. He had no reason to kill Johnson as it would get the mission cancelled and Vengal put everything on the line to go on that mission.

Now the team has to start from scratch. Kate wants to know how rappelling works so she would have a better understanding of the case. When she tries it out, she realizes that the faulty D-Link was lighter than the regular one and such an experienced climber as Lt. Johnson would've noticed the difference.

With less than an hour left for the mission to start, NCIS finds equipment in Lt. Johnson's garage where the D-Link was made and Abby finds love letters on Johnson's secret e-mail account. Mrs. Johnson says she suspected something a couple of years ago, and about two weeks ago, followed her husband when he told her he was going hunting.

She tracked him to Baltimore where he spent two days in the hotel and when he came outside, she saw him hug a man. She didn't tell this to NCIS because she didn't want to embarrass Lt. Johnson and hoped his death had no connection to it and now she blames herself for confronting her husband. Gibbs tells the CIA that Lt. Johnson's death was a suicide.

Reveille

Season 1

Episode Number: 23

Season Episode: 23

Originally aired:	Tuesday May 25, 2004 on CBS
Writer:	Donald P. Bellisario
Director:	Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars:	Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd)
Recurring Role:	Jessica Steen (Special Agent Paula Cassidy), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer), Rudolf Martin (Ari), Sean Murray (Agent Tim McGee), Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell)
Guest Stars:	Paul Perri (Man), Matthew Rauch (Man), Josie Davis (Marta), Sheila E. Frazier (ZNN Reporter Debra Green), Matt Sighloch (Man), Dan Lundy (Technician), Robert Cicchini (Agent Snyder), Nicholas Guilak (Bassam), Amir Talai (Simi)
Production Code:	01023
Summary:	The terrorist from "Bête Noire" returns with a plan to attack the President. Gibbs and his team must follow the clues to reveal his identity and find Kate, who was kidnapped by the terrorist.



Gibbs spends a night in the office and sees a dream in which Kate is dead, in a body bag shot in the head. When he wakes up, he sees McGee and Abby who tell them that McGee wrote a program that can determine a person's age from the photograph and the program can speed up the search for the terrorist that Gibbs is determined to find. Gibbs then asks McGee if he stayed at Abby's place. "You sleep in the coffin?" He then leaves McGee, who has a shocked look on his face. "A coffin? You said it was a box sofa bed. That's why you wouldn't turn the lights on. I can't believe I slept in a coffin." Abby smiles, "Not just SLEPT."

Tony is out running, and is out-run by a striking woman in much better physical condition than he is, who says she is Swedish. Gibbs meets Kate in the coffee shop and asks her to profile that terrorist. Kate says he is not a fanatic and he is not in it for the money but for the risk. Gibbs can't understand why the terrorist didn't kill him when he had a chance.

The terrorist is in Washington and he gets a missile launcher. Together with his accomplices, he plans to use the training missiles to attack the Marine Helicopters when the President flies to Camp David with the Prime Minister of Israel, who is visiting. The plan is to provoke an emergency evacuation and then attack the president when the helicopters leave. The only problem is that the terrorists don't know which helicopter is Marine One.

When Ducky, Kate and Tony are eating lunch outside, Tony sees the Swedish girl he met in the morning and runs up to her. When Kate is about to cross the street, she sees the terrorist on the motorcycle and gets into someone's car to follow him, only to be kidnapped by the terrorists.

Back in the office, Ducky suddenly realizes that the terrorist knew anatomy and must've gone to medical school in Britain.

The terrorist allows Kate to call Gibbs only if she tells Gibbs that she got food poisoning and went home sick, and if Kate refuses to tell Gibbs that, Marta, the Swedish girl will kill DiNozzo when she meets him later. Meanwhile, McGee finds a match and the terrorist's name is revealed – Dr. Ari Haswari. His father is Israeli and mother is Arab.

Ari wants Kate to tell him which helicopter is Marine One. Kate tells him she doesn't know and Ari says he believes her. Marta becomes very angry and pulls the gun on Kate. Ari takes the gun away from her and when she tries to call the terrorists, he shoots Marta and asks Kate to call her friends at the Secret Service. Ari reveals that he is an Israeli and in Mossad.

The terrorists are arrested and on the news it is presented as a drug dealer arrest. Ari is not detained, as he is deep undercover. His dad was in Mossad and Ari was a sleeper agent all his life. The Directors want Gibbs to forget about Ari. Gibbs agrees on one condition – meeting with Ari. They meet in the basement of the morgue where Marta is lying in the body bag. Ari will be going back to Middle East and report that Marta was the double agent. Gibbs shoots Ari in the shoulder before leaving and says it'll make Ari's escape more believable.

Season Two

See No Evil

Season 2

Episode Number: 24

Season Episode: 1

Originally aired: Tuesday September 28, 2004 on CBS
Writer: Christopher Crowe
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Abigail Breslin (Sandy Watson), Ely Pouget (Julie Watson), William Mapother (Hooded Man/Kyle Grayson), David Keith (Navy Capt. Mike Watson), Audrey Wasilewski (Shirley Wilkes), Nick Warnock (Marine Staff Sgt.)
Production Code: 02001
Summary: A wife and an 8-year-old blind daughter of a Navy Captain are kidnapped and the Captain is a hostage in his own office, communicating with kidnappers, who watch his every step via computer camera. NCIS team investigates the scheme where a large amount of money is involved.



A Navy Captain is taken hostage by his own computer in his office and his wife and 8 year old blind daughter have been kidnapped and the kidnapper wants \$2 million before he will let them go. The Captain's Secretary comes to NCIS with the note he gave her and asks them to help. Kate and McGee go and look at the Captain's house and they find no signs of forced entry. Gibbs goes to the Captain's office as a Gunnery Sergeant pretending to give the Captain some paper work but also slips in a camera so that they can track what is happening. They still can't communicate with the Captain so Tony goes in as a Chinese takeaway delivery boy and slips him an electronic earwig which the Captain puts in his ear. They can now speak to him and Gibbs tells

him what to do. The Captain bargains for his daughter and the kidnapper leaves her at a train station. Kate and Tony go to pick her up and once back at headquarters the team discover that she has extraordinary hearing. Abby and McGee are trying to hack into the Pentagon but because the air conditioning in the building is not working the computer overheats. They move down to Autopsy where they hack into the Pentagon again and see what the kidnapper is showing the Captain. The 8 year old daughter helps them track down where the kidnapper and her mother are and Gibbs, Kate and Tony go to find them. McGee is left to tell the Captain what to do but the Captain takes the earwig out and sends the money to where the kidnapper wants it. McGee then tells the kidnapper that the FBI are outside and to come out with his hands up. The kidnapper takes the wife and runs but is trapped between Gibbs and Kate and Tony. The wife is now safe and Abby and McGee are trying to track down the money. The family are reunited and then the money comes back to Washington D.C. The team go to arrest who ever is taking the money out and they find the Captain and it turns out that he set up the whole thing so that he and his family could get away with \$2 million.

The Good Wives Club

Season 2

Episode Number: 25

Season Episode: 2

Originally aired: Tuesday October 5, 2004 on CBS
Writer: Gil Grant
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Kendall Clement (Foreman), Betsy Brandt (P.O. Barbara Swain), Matthew Carmody (Lt. J.G. Chaplain Brian Evans), Tara Buck (P.O. Tara Marshall), Kate Hodge (Jane Melankovic), Gerard O'Donnell (Navy Lt. Cmdr. Scott Williams), Michael Canaan (MP), Spenser Garrett (Commander Spenser), Blayne Weaver (P.O. Darell Baum)
Production Code: 02002
Summary: The mummified remains of a woman are found in the abandoned compound. The team discovers that the woman was missing for several months, was wearing a wedding dress when she died, and might have been a victim of a serial killer. The search for the murderer leads them to Florida, where they start looking for another woman who mysteriously disappeared after going to work. One of the clues they have is the old manual for good wives.



The body of a long-dead female sailor is found in a disused basement of a base housing unit in the process of being demolished. She was dressed in a wedding dress and chained to the wall. The team finds out there were other victims in Florida.

Vanished

Season 2

Episode Number: 26

Season Episode: 3

Originally aired: Tuesday October 12, 2004 on CBS
Writer: George Schenck, Frank Cardea
Director: James Whitmore Jr.
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Guest Stars: Don Swayze (Logan Clay), Robert Rusler (Marine Lt. Colonel Curtis Teague), Tom Bower (Sheriff Miller Thompson), Jeremy Garrett (Marine Capt. Patrick Barnett), Timothy Bottoms (Ritt Everett), Jennifer Hall (Daphne Everett), Rob Boltin (Marine Capt. Rod Newell), Todd Kimsey (Police Capt. Grant)
Production Code: 02003
Summary: A marine helicopter is discovered in the middle of a crop circle in a rural area and the pilots are missing. Soon, NCIS discovers that only one of the pilots was on the flight, that there is a decade long feud going on in town, and that the missing pilot is out for revenge.



A man driving a farm tractor down a narrow dirt road stops suddenly when he sees a marine helicopter sitting in the middle of a pattern of crop circles in his cornfield.

Kate is appalled to find DiNozzo clipping his fingernails at his desk in the NCIS squadroom. McGee, sitting at his desk nearby, compares getting used to DiNozzo's behavior with the Stockholm Syndrome ? the need for a kidnap victim to cooperate with his captor in order to survive. Gibbs enters and orders DiNozzo

to get the truck: the team is going to Smokey Corners, West Virginia to investigate the marine helicopter in the crop circle. vanished

When the NCIS team arrives, the marines are already investigating the scene. Marine Lt. Col. Curtis Teague introduces himself to Gibbs and makes no apology for contaminating the scene ? he has two missing marines to locate. Gibbs informs him NCIS will need to take elimination prints from all of his men, and Teague orders his men to stand down. There is no damage to the aircraft and it still has 60% of its fuel supply. The helicopter took off at 23:00 for a night proficiency flight and the flight controller lost the signal 10 minutes out. He was notified of the helicopter's location by the local sheriff just after sunrise. Gibbs orders DiNozzo to sketch and shoot, Kate to bag and tag evidence from the helicopter, and McGee to lay out a search grid of the field. A marine helicopter flies over and Teague tells Gibbs that they've just begun an air search for the missing marines. Teague is ignoring the fact that the helicopter is in the middle of a crop circle, for now, but wants to know Gibbs' thoughts. Gibbs does not believe the marines were abducted by aliens, but he won't ignore anything. Teague gives Gibbs his camera card containing overhead pictures of the site, and tells him that the pilot was Captain Todd Newell, and the co-pilot was Captain Patrick Barnett. The two young pilots share an apartment off-base.

Gibbs hands the photo card to McGee and tells him to send it to Abby. McGee hesitates, as Abby is obsessed with the paranormal - giving her pictures of a crop circle may be distracting. As McGee hurries off to follow orders, Gibbs and Teague agree that they will try to keep this matter from the media.

DiNozzo remarks to Kate that he should have been a pilot as helicopters are "chick magnets." Kate disagrees, telling him that she dreaded traveling on Marine One with the president. DiNozzo nonchalantly scratches his crotch, and Kate scolds him for his "locker room mentality." He is not affected and tells Kate she can scratch anything she wants to in front of him. vanished

Gibbs interviews the farmer, Logan Clay, who tells him that he didn't hear anything strange during the night. The local sheriff, Sheriff Thompson, tells Gibbs that this isn't the first crop circle in the area - a 1994 crop circle was investigated by the Air Force, but they never received any answers. Both men saw bright lights in the sky last night, just like back in 1994. When the sheriff tells Gibbs that he'll ask around about anything strange that may have been seen, Gibbs asks him if being sheriff is his full-time job. The sheriff responds that he also runs the local Grain and Feed Store.

Abby is thrilled to receive the pictures of the crop circle and tells McGee over the phone that it reminds her of Glastonbury in the 1980s. McGee tries to convince Abby that crop circles are hoaxes that he equates with tarot cards and telephone psychics. McGee insists that there is a logical explanation for the crop circles but Abby tells him that she needs pictures, specimens of the stalks down to the roots, and soil samples. In order to get his cooperation she offers him a look at her new tattoo and he can't resist. It's a pity that at this point McGee doesn't know the tattoo is on Abby's ankle!

Gibbs releases the helicopter to the marines and drives the truck back with McGee and all of his samples, leaving DiNozzo and Kate to check out the pilots' apartment. Gibbs wonders why there haven't been any gawkers to look at the crop circle ? this type of incident usually draws a crowd, but the only people there are the farmer and sheriff. As he turns to leave, Teague stops Gibbs to report that his overhead search has found a burnt-out area just north of the crop circle and they go to investigate. The fire is still smoldering when Gibbs, McGee and Teague arrive at the burned out remains of a small cabin. McGee begins processing.

At the pilots' apartment, DiNozzo and Kate are looking for anything that suggests the two didn't just leave on a routine flight. DiNozzo immediately spots a famous men's magazine, the December 1992 issue featuring Pamela Anderson's debut. Kate leaves him ogling the magazine in the living room and steps into the hallway to see steam coming out through the bathroom door which is slightly ajar. She pulls out her weapon and walks quietly down the hallway. Pushing the door open, she begins to lean into the room when Capt. Barnett grabs her from behind and puts his arm around her neck, demanding to know what she is doing in his apartment. DiNozzo steps into the hallway, his weapon trained on the captain, and commands that he let her go.

Gibbs stalks into the interrogation room and wants to know why Captain Barnett is not cooperating with his team. Barnett curtly tells Gibbs that he was with his girlfriend on Saturday night, had just gotten home to shower and heard someone in his apartment. He denies knowing where Captain Newell is. He says that, if the flight record shows that he and Captain Newell took off last night, that's what they did. Gibbs slams his hand down on the table and advises the captain to give him direct answers. Gibbs leans close to the marine, whispering that their helicopter was found 150 miles away from where it should have been and that Captain Newell is missing. When Barnett still doesn't respond, Gibbs leans closer and lowers his voice, so that DiNozzo and Kate cannot hear him in the observation room next door. DiNozzo tells Kate that Gibbs is using TBI ? truth by intimidation ? and begins counting down from 5. When he reaches 1, Captain Barnett starts talking. He says that when the two pilots were leaving for the base, Newell got a call on his cell phone that disturbed him. He said he wasn't feeling well and wanted to call the base to cancel the flight. Barnett tells Gibbs that he doesn't know who the call was from, even though he "rode his butt" to try to find out. Newell just got angry and told Barnett to lay low for the rest of the night, saying that he'd explain when he got back. DiNozzo leaves to pull up Newell's cell phone records.

Abby is excited as she carries a stalk of corn into her lab, and she asks McGee if he felt any sort of energy when he was within the crop circle. Each time McGee tries to get Abby back on task to work on the evidence of the fire she returns to the subject of crop circles, and tells him she is running analyses of the plants within and outside the circles. McGee warns her once more

before leaving her to her obsession.

According to the records at New River, Captain Newell signed the log for the aircraft, but no one remembered seeing Captain Barnett. Newell is an only child and grew up outside Orlando, Florida and there doesn't seem to be anything linking him to West Virginia. His parents died two years ago. Newell does have a record of impulsiveness and fighting. DiNozzo tells Gibbs that the last phone call that came into Newell's cell phone was the previous night at 21:30; he didn't make or receive any calls after that, and his cell phone is currently off. The call came from a pay phone in Smokey Corners, West Virginia.

Back in Smokey Corners, Gibbs and Kate check out the phone booth attached to a service station and notice a young woman peeking out the window, watching their every move. Inside the store, Ritt Everett, Daphne's father, makes a call, advising someone to get there as soon as possible. Kate dusts the pay phone for prints, but it has been cleaned. Gibbs uses his pocketknife to open the coin container and tells Kate to get the coins to Abby for prints. Everett comes outside to see what the two agents are doing, and tells Gibbs that he didn't see anyone using the phone Tuesday night. Sheriff Thompson drives up and asks Gibbs if he's having any luck with the case. He tells Gibbs that after asking around he's found that many farmers in the area are complaining that their animals are acting up. Gibbs shows the two Captain Newell's picture, but they don't recognize him, and there aren't any families named Newell in town.

Gibbs gets a call from Abby who is angry because the Air Force won't give her their files on the 1994 crop circles in Smokey Corners. When Gibbs tells her he'll make a call, she insists that it is a conspiracy as big as Area 51. She has found that the cabin fire was arson ? the arsonist used gasoline as an accelerant, but she is still working on the debris. Kate catches Daphne Everett as she leaves the store and shows her the picture of Captain Newell.

Watching from inside the store, Ritt Everett and Sheriff Thompson are concerned about Daphne, but Everett insists, "Long as both sides stick to the story, we'll get through this."

Daphne nervously tells Kate that she can't talk about it with her daddy there, but he will be leaving for the VFW at noon and Kate should come back then.

Logan Cole is watching the make-shift marine field office near his field as the search dogs are being loaded into a truck. Lt. Col Teague reports to McGee and DiNozzo that the search dogs are being called off as something has screwed them up - they began acting up as soon as they entered the woods. McGee suggests that they don't tell Abby about this development, and DiNozzo recounts the plot of "Invaders from Mars," a 1950s sci-fi movie about aliens landing in a field who took over the locals' minds. He calls it the scariest movie that he ever saw. When Gibbs arrives they tell him that all of the locals have the same story about BOLs ? "Balls of Light" ? that they saw in the night sky. Abby claims that they are created by manipulating the atomic particles in the atmosphere.

Back at the lab, Ducky asks Abby to run a tox screen on a tissue sample from a body exhumed in Arlington. Looking down at the dozens of evidence containers on her lab table containing corn stalks, soil samples and burned debris he sees that she is overwhelmed. He tells her that, since his body has been dead for 36 years, a few days of delay won't matter. She asks him for a second opinion about something she has found on the inside door handle from the burned cabin. Checking the microscope, Ducky believes the slide shows mammalian cells, probably from a human. There was someone trapped in the cabin fire, possibly the marine aviator, but no remains were found.

DiNozzo and Gibbs walk the cabin debris site again, wondering why they didn't find human remains within the structure. Gibbs tells him to get the cadaver dogs up to the site to begin searching for a body. When Logan Clay arrives, he informs Gibbs that the cabin wasn't on his land; the land has belonged to the county since the last owner, Monroe, died. He died in a hunting accident and the track has been abandoned ever since. Kids did use the cabin to mess around. Gibbs only stares at the man, clearly unconvinced.

When Kate arrives back at the service station to speak with Daphne, she doesn't find her. Ritt Everett is waiting for her in the nearby barn, but Kate tells him she only came in for gas. Everett leans close through her car window trying to intimidate her before Kate drives off.

Gibbs goes to the West Virginia State Police to get any information he can about Smokey Corners. Captain Grant tells Gibbs that he doesn't get to Smokey Corners much ? they never call in the State Police. He tells Gibbs that there is a feud going on up there, and it has been going on for decades with the east side of the valley fighting with the west side. He was told by his

predecessor to stay clear: they take care of their own problems. He doesn't know of any murders that ever occurred there.

McGee is scanning the cornfield with a magnetometer per Abby's request. Kate and Tony laugh about the fact that Abby's new tattoo that she promised to show McGee is actually on her ankle. McGee excitedly kneels down to examine something that has registered on the instrument, and brushes away the corn stalks to find a rubber alien mask with a small magnet buried beneath it. He turns to DiNozzo who makes the Vulcan hand sign at him. Gibbs arrives to speak with Abby over the computer link. She tells him that she found two partial prints on the coins from the phone booth. She identifies one local man named Greg Sikes and DiNozzo immediately begins a background check on him. Teague arrives with the news that the cadaver dogs have found something. The dogs have led the marines to a shallow grave containing a burned body.

DiNozzo and McGee arrive at Greg Sikes' trailer and while McGee is knocking at one door, DiNozzo enters through another. The two search the trailer and DiNozzo finds a half-eaten sandwich. McGee comes up with two strips of photos showing Greg Sikes and Daphne Everett. Back at the lab, Ducky is examining the burned body, and has determined that it is the body of a man somewhere in his mid-twenties to thirties. He also has a bullet wound in his chest. Abby reports that the DNA she found on the door knob of the burned cabin was not Captain Newell's but belonged to Newell's male sibling. The dead man was Captain Newell's brother.

Since the Captain's service record showed that he was an only child, he must have lied about having a brother for some reason. In the lab, Abby is still obsessing over the corn stalks, and is trying to prove that the corn stalks within the crop circle have been changed in some super-human way. McGee tries to convince her that she is looking for something that isn't there. He shows her the overhead pictures of the circles again, showing her that in most of the circles the stalks of corn were bent down in a circular pattern going clockwise, but, in the circle with the helicopter, those stalks were bent down going outward from the center by the downdraft of the helicopter. The corn stalks were still standing when the helicopter began to land.

Kate and DiNozzo find that Todd Newell's mother remarried when he was nine years old, and he was adopted by his step-father. Newell's mother's first husband was named Sikes, and the couple had two boys, Greg and Todd. Todd Newell was born in Smokey Corners, yet never mentioned anything about his childhood to his co-pilot, Captain Barnett. Todd and Greg's father died several years ago in another "hunting accident." Kate and DiNozzo gather their gear to head off to Smokey Corners to try to find Daphne Everett. Before they can leave, McGee brings Abby to Gibbs' desk to admit that the crop circles were bogus. Abby is still not convinced. She wants to know what made the dogs unable to follow the scent trail the first day they searched for the missing marine. Gibbs begins to tell her that the cadaver dogs didn't have any trouble the next day, and then stops. He realizes why they haven't been able to find Captain Newell. He hurries up the stairs to MTAC and explains that only another marine could figure it out.

Gibbs connects to Lt. Col. Teague in MTAC and tells him that Captain Newell is still alive and evading their search. In his SERE training, Captain Newell was taught a technique to evade enemy dogs using GS powder, the irritant used in gas mask simulations. Lt. Col. Teague knows it well; he even keeps a few canisters of it in his vest. When Newell used it on the dogs, it made them useless. The captain would also have pilot night-vision goggles and a survival radio to monitor their searches.

In the car on the way back to Smokey Corners, DiNozzo is driving Kate crazy. He accuses her of having PMS, and then notes that he thought that wasn't until next week. They approach Sikes' trailer hoping to find Daphne there when they see her running out of the trailer and getting into her truck. Kate pulls the car in front of the truck and Daphne tries to run for it. Kate and DiNozzo catch her, and Kate notices that Daphne's face is bruised. They tell her that they know Greg Sikes was her boyfriend and she admits that she is pregnant. She believes that Greg is hiding from her father but they inform her that Greg is dead.

That night, McGee is sitting nervously in the passenger seat while Gibbs drives erratically towards Smokey Corners. Gibbs knows that whatever Greg Sikes said to his brother made Captain Newell break regulations and take a marine helicopter to West Virginia. He landed in the farmer's field because it was the closest open ground to the cabin where his brother was hiding. He arrived too late to save his brother. McGee believes that whoever killed Sikes knew they couldn't cover up a marine helicopter with another "hunting accident" story, so they made the crop circle hoping the military investigation would back off and do the same kind of cover-up the Air Force

did in 1994.

Daphne tells Gibbs and Kate that she and Greg were from different corners of the valley, so they tried to hide their relationship from everyone in the area. The last time she saw Greg was at the pay phone at the service station ? he was calling his brother for help. The two brothers were reunited when their mother died two years ago - they were the only family each had left. Daphne believes that Captain Newell has been drawn back into the feud, and is going after Daphne's father for revenge. Gibbs orders McGee and Kate to take Daphne out of the area. He calls Lt. Col Teague and tells him to withdraw his men from the area to make Newell believe that the marines have gone. Gibbs is hoping to draw Newell into making a move on Ritt Everett.

Sheriff Thompson and Ritt Everett stand outside the service station and watch the marine trucks leave town the next morning. Ritt immediately goes inside his store and begins loading his rifle. The sheriff tries to tell him that "they pulled it off" and "this thing is going away," but Ritt won't be placated. Everett believes that he has to get Greg Sikes' brother before he gets him.

Out in the woods, Captain Newell watches the marine helicopters fly off and comes out of hiding.

DiNozzo and Gibbs enter the store and confront Sheriff Thompson and Everett, DiNozzo holding his weapon on the armed man. Gibbs tells DiNozzo to read Everett his rights for the murder of Greg Sikes. Everett responds, "Greg Sikes is dead? I thought he went hunting." Gibbs tells the two that the West Virginia State Police are on their way, but he will detain both of them until they arrive.

After nightfall, Captain Newell makes his way towards the small store adjoining the service station using night-vision goggles. The NCIS team is posted around the area, waiting for him to make his move. Newell moves cautiously behind some old cars parked behind the station. Trying to get a better angle, DiNozzo moves slightly in the barn next to the station, and makes a noise. Knowing that Newell made DiNozzo's position, Gibbs calls for the lights, and all of the outdoor lights come on all over the yard, blazing in Newell's night-vision goggles. The team surrounds Newell, demanding that he lower his weapon. Newell holds his gun on Gibbs and tells him that it has always been an eye-for-an-eye in the valley, and this won't end until Ritt Everett is dead. Newell knows he'll never fly again, so he doesn't see a reason to surrender. Gibbs assures him that, since Newell hasn't hurt anyone, yet, he'll do everything he can to help him. Gibbs also tells him about Daphne and his brother's baby. Newell lowers his weapon.

In the NCIS interrogation room, a clean and uniformed Newell explains his family history to Gibbs. He tells him that their mother was always ashamed that she left Greg behind when she moved away from Smokey Corners, but that their father wouldn't let her have both of them. He took the marine helicopter because it is intimidating and he thought it would scare the locals. He arrived too late and the cabin was in flames with Greg trapped inside. Everett and others began shooting at him, and he was hit in the leg. He couldn't get back to the base, and thought that all that was left was revenge.

In the NCIS squadroom, McGee asks Kate who sent her the beautiful bouquet of flowers she is arranging on her desk. She smiles and tells him they are from DiNozzo. He realized that he has been pushing her lately, and sent her the flowers as an apology. Kate is very impressed because they are from her favorite florist. "How did you know?" she asks. "He went through your purse and got the phone number off your PDA," says Gibbs as he walks past.

Lt. Jane Doe

Season 2

Episode Number: 27

Season Episode: 4

Originally aired: Tuesday October 19, 2004 on CBS
Writer: Donald P. Bellisario, Gil Grant, Steven Long Mitchell, Craig W. Van Sickle
Director: Dan Lerner
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Chris Heuisler (Navy Seaman Joe Wilkins), Don Jeffcoat (Navy Seaman Tom Jennings), Kent Faulcon (Cmdr. Reynolds), Amy Sloan (P.O. Cynthia Cluxton), David Marciano (Bartender), Ben Reed (Chief P.O. Ian Goetz), Jack Kehler (Middle-Aged Man), Julia Rose (Female Bartender), Mariela Santos (Jane Doe)
Production Code: 02004
Summary: A body of a woman in a Navy uniform is found by two sailors. Ducky links the murder to an unsolved case 10 years ago, and starts behaving strangely. A serial murderer leaves a note on the body, promising to return.



As the team begins an investigation into the murder/rape of a Lt. Jane Doe at Norfolk, Tim briefly meets up with an old friend, Petty Officer Cluxten - the person responsible for the initial crime scene work. Ducky does an initial time of death, and a quick analysis of the body, but, being in a hurry to catch his plane for a meeting in London with the Society of Medical Examiners, he states he's going to leave the confirmations and autopsy to another ME. Just before he leaves the scene a chance comment by Gibbs has

Ducky heading back to check the body for something specific, and looking very distressed when he finds it.

Back at headquarters the team strikes out in all the avenues they've pursued to identify the naval Lt. Jane Doe; then Ducky (who had given up his trip to London) reveals that he's been holding back information from the team - the victim isn't a Lt. There had been an almost identical murder/rape 10 years earlier, and that Lt. Jane Doe had never been identified, in part because she wasn't a Lt. at all. She wasn't even military. The murderer was never caught, the body never identified, and 10 years later her ashes were still a possession of Dr. Mallard, who deeply regretted he was never able to send her home, or let her family know what had happened to her.

The relationship between the old case and new continues to develop as the DNA from the semen taken from both bodies matches, and a note, very similar to one found near the first crime scene, is found at the second as well. As one very promising suspect is ruled out, Tim and Tony head out to check another - a former enlisted man who had just been released from

prison 2 months earlier. However, there's a problem ? he had died 5 weeks prior to the second murder/rape.

Tony and Kate canvass the bars surrounding the base and identify the second Jane Doe as a drummer at a lesbian bar nearby; meanwhile Petty Officer Cluxten takes the opportunity to observe a real forensic lab at work (where Abby shows a few ?claws? over Cluxten's rapport and history with Tim).

Things take a turn for the worse - for although the team had identified the body, all they have are dead ends when the new note shows no fingerprints or DNA, and both of their suspects have been cleared. No-one's quite sure what direction to go in next (not even Gibbs) until the results of another DNA match Abby was testing came in ? the dead man's DNA matched the DNA from both the semen found on both victims. Puzzlement and confusion fade as the team realizes the semen at the second crime scene was taken from the stored evidence of the first crime scene and planted to send investigators hunting after a ?serial rapist and murderer?.

While watching the records from the evidence storage lockup the day before the second murder, Tim discovers that Cluxten is the one who removed the evidence and then makes several connections. Firstly, he remembers that Petty Officer Cluxten used her mother's name rather than her father's (who happened to be the investigating NCIS agent of the first case). Secondly, Cluxten had had a friendship with the victim that observed the military's ?don't ask, don't tell? policy. Gibbs confronts Cluxten with these facts, the video from the evidence lockup, and, finally, with the death of the murderer of the first victim 5 weeks before the second murder, that of Cluxten's lover, had taken place and Cluxten admits her guilt by becoming very upset at the one ?flaw? in her perfect plan for murder.

The Bone Yard

Season 2

Episode Number: 28

Season Episode: 5

Originally aired: Tuesday October 26, 2004 on CBS
Writer: John C. Kelley
Director: Terrence O'Hara
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: John Rosenfeld (FBI Agent Charles), Michael Guarnera (Vic Gera), Laird MacIntosh (Corporal Stinson), Matthew Atherton (Captain Starling), Chris Ellis (Gunnery Sgt. John Deluca), Joe Tabbanella (Rickey Napalitano), Oleg Zatsepin (Sal Balducci), Chas. Floyd Johnson (AFIP Medical Examiner), Blue Deckert (Federal Marshal), Mary Pat Gleason (Nurse Wells), Curt Doussett (Policeman Randall), Robert Costanzo (Jimmy Napalitano)
Production Code: 02005
Summary: The NCIS team finds a place where the mob has been dumping bodies for a long time, and one of the victims is an undercover FBI agent. The FBI suspect a mole and arrest Fornell. Gibbs sets out to find the real mole and clear Fornell.



A man awakens, hands bound, in a junked car, side by side with a skeletal figure burned beyond recognition. Realizing he's in a military testing ground, he frantically makes a run for the edge. He doesn't quite make it before a 500 pound bomb hits a little too close.

Interrupting Gibbs' version of 'close combat training?', the team gets called in to the Marine bombing range in Quantico to investigate. They arrive at the scene to find Gunny Sergeant Deluca, CID, already investigating 'with a swarm of military personnel on site as well as EOD (Explosive Ordnance Disposal) teams trying to clear the site. Gibbs is naturally

upset at Deluca's handling of a crime scene; however Deluca believes this to be accidental death - a civilian scavenger in the wrong place at the wrong time. It doesn't take long for Tony to discover a clue that this was no 'scavenger' (\$500 dollar shoes), and for Gibbs to trace the dead man's tracks back to the car containing the burned skeletal figure. The Marine bombing range appears to be a 'bone yard' - a serial killer's dumping ground.

Back at headquarters, Abby comes up with a match in the database for the first body's fingerprints - only to have her computer expertly hacked. As Tim and Abby, in vain, to stop the attack, Gibbs applies a little common sense and saves the day - by unplugging the computer. Abby sets a trap for the hacker and completes a backtrace, discovering the hacker in question is the FBI. Shortly afterward the FBI shows up, with Fornell wanting to know why NCIS was

asking questions about an undercover FBI agent. When he is presented with the dead agent's body, Fornell first turns down a joint investigation, then asks to speak to Gibbs privately. While in Gibbs's personal conference room, Fornell asks for Gibbs's help and reveals that the dead agent was undercover with a mafia boss's organization — a man Fornell had been trying to bring down for years. The mafia boss, Napalitano, always seemed to know whenever the FBI was trying to infiltrate his organization. The FBI thinks one of their agents is a mole, feeding information to Napalitano—and they think Fornell is that mole. Gibbs agrees to help, but has to watch helplessly as Fornell is arrested. Shortly thereafter damaging evidence shows up (some sent anonymously) and Fornell, to most everyone's shock, hangs himself in his cell.

Gibbs arrests the mafia boss's son for manslaughter (the team had matched his blood with that found on the dead FBI agent) to pressure Napalitano into revealing the mole. He offers the boss a deal — if Napalitano gives up the mole, Little Ricky won't hang himself in prison — he won't even go to prison, as the evidence against him will get lost. Agent Charles, one of Fornell's FBI agents, objects, both to letting the FBI agent's murderer go free, and because he doesn't believe Napalitano will keep his end of the bargain. Gibbs sets up a meet anyway, and takes Agent Charles as his one allowed backup because Charles can confirm whether the person handed over as the mole is FBI or Justice. In a standoff with the mafia boss (Gibbs having arranged primacord around Little Ricky's neck, hooked up to a dead-man switch), Agent Charles reveals himself as the mole just before Jimmy Napalitano gives him up. Agent Charles begins to plan out how everyone else is going to die in a primacord explosion; however Napalitano's hidden backup sniper kills Charles before he has a chance to arrange it. With nothing more to trade, and primacord hanging around his son's neck, Jimmy Napalitano reluctantly leaves his son with Gibbs to face manslaughter charges.

Back in the office, the rest of the team is stunned when Gibbs walks in the next day with a very much alive Fornell keeping him company.

Terminal Leave

Season 2

Episode Number: 29

Season Episode: 6

Originally aired: Tuesday November 16, 2004 on CBS
Writer: Roger Director
Director: Jeff Woolnough
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: David Henrie (Willy Shields), Sean O'Bryen (David Shields), Mary Page Keller (Lt. Cmdr. Miki Shields), Elizabeth Peña (FBI Agent Lina Reyes), Bobby Neely (Roland Alan Moore), Tim Ryan (Greg Boyen), Jesse Head (Lyle Chamber), Rebecca Staab (Greta Boyen), Alex S. Alexander (Sara Turcott), Amanda Fuller (Jennifer Shields)
Production Code: 02006
Summary: When an Iraq veteran is threatened by a group of terrorists, the NCIS team steps in to protect him. While trying to convince an FBI Agent to help them, the team is convinced that they've discovered the bomber. However, things might not be what they seem.



After an assassination attempt on a Navy pilot, soon to be on terminal leave, NCIS are called in to protect the Commander and her family until the terrorists responsible are found.

Call of Silence

Season 2

Episode Number: 30

Season Episode: 7

Originally aired: Tuesday November 23, 2004 on CBS
Writer: Roger Director
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Guest Stars: Charles Durning (Ernie Yost), Marc D. Wilson (M.P. Jenkins), Bennet Guillory (Henry), Jason Alan Smith (Cpl. Dale Kean), Marc Senter (Pvt. Stearns), Hugh Holub (Superintendent), Lt. Col. Douglas Griffith (as himself), Garette Henson (Cpl. Ernie Yost), Scott Miles (Pvt. Bellows), Lloyd Kino (Hiroshi Yoshida), Kevin Sizemore (M.P. Mueller), Alicia Coppola (Lt. Cmdr. Faith Coleman)
Production Code: 02007
Summary: Ernie Yost, an elderly Marine veteran and Medal of Honor winner, confesses to murdering his best friend almost 60 years ago in a war battle and the NCIS's job is to solve all the secrets and save Ernie from prison.



A former corporal, a Medal of Honor recipient from WWII, came to Gibbs claiming to have bashed his buddy, Wade Kean, to death while serving on Iwo Jima. Gibbs, of course, doesn't believe him and investigates it just to humor him.

Cpl. Yost began reporting the murder to 911 and no-one believed him. All of the self-blame for his buddy's death began when his wife, Dorothy, passed away. Cpl. Yost is grieving for the loss of his wife, he waltzes with Kate for the memory of her and it is one of the most touching scenes to have been aired. To see the old gentleman crying was so sad.

Gibbs attempts to let Cpl. Yost go home but is stopped by the confident and alarmingly professional Lt. Cmdr. Faith Coleman, played so wonderfully by Alicia Coppola. She is ordered to prosecute the Cpl. which nobody wants to happen especially Gibbs. Gibbs is not prepared, on any level, to let the Cpl. go to his grave carrying a guilt that he didn't deserve.

Gibbs tells Tony to take the Cpl. home and to stay with him which is where Tony uncovers some awful evidence. Wade and Dorothy had been high school sweethearts. Could the Cpl. have been so jealous of Wade as to kill him so he could marry Dorothy?

Gibbs, with a few tricks up his sleeve and the help of a former Japanese Imperial Army Lieutenant who runs a local sushi shop, helps the Cpl. to remember what happened. In a heart-breaking memory, Kate, the Cpl. and Cmdr. Coleman end in tears and the Cmdr. knows the answer.

"Cpl. Kean was killed in action, not by Yost,"

In my opinion, one of the most touching moments was actually when Cpl. Ernest Yost and the Japanese Lieutenant eat sushi together and the episode ends on them raising their glasses to each other.

Heart Break

Season 2

Episode Number: 31

Season Episode: 8

Originally aired: Tuesday November 30, 2004 on CBS
Writer: Frank Cardea, George Schenck
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Jessica Steen (NCIS Special Agent Paula Cassidy)
Guest Stars: Nathan Wetherington (Ensign Evan Hayes), Matthew Ness (Spenser), Derrex Brady (Navy Corpsman), Mary Wyckliffe (Nurse Dooley), Michael Dempsey (Coach Morgan), Stacy Edwards (Commander Janice Byers), Billy Brown (Chief P.O. Velat), Vivienne Bellisario (Mysterious Redhead), Tyler Kain (Tiffany), Ben Ziff (Jonathan)
Production Code: 02008
Summary: A Navy Commander dies after a successful surgery. While researching the commander's past, the team finds out that he earned a lot of enemies lately and tracks down an ensign, making him the prime suspect. Soon Abby realizes that they've got the wrong man.



A Navy commander appears to spontaneously combust while staying in the hospital and recovering from a heart surgery. At the scene, the team meets Dr. Byers, who performed the heart surgery. Ducky is immediately smitten by her and later asks her on a date.

The team discovers that the commander was not well-liked and picked on one shipman in particular, Ensign Evan Hayes. Since Hayes was known to have visited the commander before his death, he becomes a suspect. When Gibbs and

Kate confront him at his high school swimming pool, the only place where he had ever felt happy, he admits being suicidal and draws his gun on Gibbs. Kate shoots Hayes before he can harm Gibbs, and Hayes dies.

Later, it is found that Hayes had an alibi for the time of the commander's combustion - he was at the home of his former swim coach, talking about his problems. Kate feels immensely guilty for shooting an innocent man, but Gibbs tells her that it was "suicide by cop" and that she should "get over it".

In revisiting the physical evidence, Tony discovers that the explosion was caused by a cigarette placed in a matchbook 12 minutes prior to the explosion. As the cigarette burned, it eventually lit the matches, which ignited an explosion due to an open oxygen line. The only person in the commander's room 12 minutes before the explosion was Dr. Byers. She appears relieved at this finding and confesses that the surgery was not successful and the commander died during recovery. She had failed at a similar surgery before and believed that another failure would cost her her medical license, so she tried to make the commander's death look like an accident and not due to an unsuccessful operation.

Forced Entry

Season 2

Episode Number: 32

Season Episode: 9

Originally aired: Tuesday December 7, 2004 on CBS
Writer: Jesse Stern, John C. Kelley
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Megan Ward (Laura Rowens), Neil Hopkins (Jeremy Davison), Sterling Macer Jr. (Marine Sgt. Chris Hegarty), Lindsay Price (Navy Lt. Pam Kim), Missy Yager (Michelle Davison), Josh Daugherty (Devon Kane), Harriet Margulies (Attractive Older Woman)
Production Code: 02009
Summary: A Marine's wife, shoots an intruder in self defense when he is about to rape her. The team finds out that the wife was leading a double life, while her husband was serving overseas. Allegedly, she has been chatting with a stranger on the net and had no idea about his true intentions. The team believes that she might have lured him to her home, not knowing that he is a serial rapist.



A woman is home alone watching a horror movie when a man enters her house and attacks her. While the man begins to undress, she pulls out a gun and fires.

When the team arrives on site Gibbs hands his coffee to Tony telling him not to drink any. Tony then passes it off to an unsuspecting McGee telling him it's for him. Kate plays along. Inside the MP on-scene tells them the man has been taken to the hospital and that there was no forced entry, most people on base leave their doors unlocked. When Gibbs is talk-

ing to the woman, Laura Rowens, she tells him she never saw the man before and that her husband has been deployed for about half of their marriage.

Tony and Kate have gone to the hospital to question the man. However, the attractive doctor won't let them in to see him until tomorrow, despite Tony's flirting. On a pretext Tony sends Kate to check on the MP guarding the room, but really to fingerprint the man. As she is doing this the man regains consciousness. He grabs Kate's arm and tells her it was a game that Laura invited him, he thought she loved him.

Abby can't find a fingerprint match for the man. He is not in the database, no record. So she is running his DNA in hopes of identifying him, however, it will take awhile. Fortunately, the MPs manage to ID the man as Jeremy Davison from his car registration. Warrant in hand Gibbs and Kate head to Davison's home. Kate finds a provocative picture of Laura Rowens on his computer as well as explicit emails she sent him. His sister Michelle's arrival interrupts the search. When they tell her what happened she says she knew this would end badly. She tells them her brother went on a date last night with a woman he met online.

Back at the squadroom the team is spitballing theories when Abby and McGee come up. They have found that both Laura Rowens and Jeremy Davison were members of a sex website, 'Where discriminating adults go to play.' And according to their profiles they shared the same fetish, rape fantasies.

They bring Rowens into interrogation. Gibbs confronts her about her activity on the website, which she admits to. However, she said it was only ever online. When he shows her the picture from Davison's computer she is shocked, claiming she only ever sent it to her husband. She says she never met Davison online, let alone sent him anything. Rowens is further confused by the emails. Gibbs is pressing her about them when Abby rushes into observation saying we screwed up big time. Kate reluctantly interrupts the interrogation at Abby's insistence. Abby tells a rather upset Gibbs that Rowens is telling the truth, she didn't write the emails. Unfortunately, Abby doesn't know who did.

Jeremy now seems the victim and target. He thought he was actually communicating with Laura Rowens and was set up to die. In order to determine who was pretending to be Laura, they need access to the sex website's mainframe. Abby says they need to be inside the system to do it, can't hack it from the outside. Kate remembers the company had a job opening for a computer programmer. McGee gets very excited about the idea of going undercover but Tony says he is too 'cop' and wants to go himself. McGee responds with Tony's inability to pass as a computer programmer. Kate says Tony does have online dating experience, and Tony admits to a relationship with a HotJugs24. Luckily, Gibbs has a solution... Abby will do it.

Tony and Kate have gone to the hospital to see if Jeremy had any enemies. He is upset and confused when they tell him the relationship was not real. When his sister arrives she asks if the handcuffs are still necessary. Kate promptly removes them. Meanwhile, Abby (undercover as Miss Gibbs) and McGee backtrace the email writer. When Gibbs, Kate and Tony arrive at the address they find the writer, Victor Grotinski, dead in front of a bank of monitors. His throat has been slit and his eyes gouged out.

While searching the scene they find jars of pee but no eyeballs, the killer took them. Tony also notices a hidden camera in a vent. The tape shows Grotinski having sex, it is the woman he is with who kills him. Unfortunately, the tape is grainy and Abby needs some time to clean it up. Meanwhile, Ducky has sent evidence to Abby and she is trying to isolate and ID the female DNA. But it will take even longer than the photo, 10 hours. Up in autopsy Ducky describes the technique used to slit Grotinski's throat, it is the same way a Marine does it. Based on this Gibbs wants Laura Rowens picked up, Kate sends the MP. At Rowens' house the MP finds Grotinski's eyeballs and takes her into custody.

Gibbs, Kate, and Tony go to the hospital to see what Jeremy Davison can tell them about these new developments. While they are questioning him and his sister, Abby gets some unexpected DNA results. McGee is surprised because he thought she said it would take longer. She immediately tries to call Gibbs to tell him that the DNA ID is wanted for 5 other murders. However, their cell phones are off at the hospital.

Meanwhile Gibbs is picking up some hinky vibes from Davison and his sister when the as-yet grainy video of the killer is mentioned. She squeezes his hand and his heart rate increases. After the team leaves the room, the woman gives Davison a very unsisterly kiss and tells him they need to leave now. As they exit the hospital Gibbs is there to arrest them. With Kate and Tony covering them Gibbs finally answers the phone. Abby quickly tells him her news, Davison is wanted for murder, and Gibbs replies we know already. This doesn't exactly please Abby, who turns on McGee demanding if he knew.

Later in the squadroom Kate is feeling relieved that they didn't let the serial killers slip through their fingers. Their name wasn't even Davison, Grotinski had set up that identity for them. They note how easy it is to pretend to be some one else online. At this point McGee reveals that he has tracked down HotJugs24, a heavily tattooed, overweight, middle aged man.

Chained

Season 2

Episode Number: 33

Season Episode: 10

Originally aired: Tuesday December 14, 2004 on CBS
Writer: Frank Military
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Guest Stars: Frank Whaley (Jeffery White), John Thaddeus (Lane Danielson), Annie Corley (Deputy Secretary of State Elliot), Miguel Perez (Federal Marshal Van Driver), Dan Warner (Federal Marshal), Don S. Davis (MTAC Control Officer), Jason Cristopher (Motorcycle Rider), Ken Strunk (Gas Station Owner)
Production Code: 02010
Summary: While on an undercover operation as an escaped prisoner who is forced to stick to a convict that owns a key to an expensive ancient Iraqi sculpture, Tony mysteriously disappears. The GPS locator that Abby planted on him doesn't work anymore and the team must find Tony, because his life is in jeopardy.



Antiquities have been stolen and NCIS need to find them but they don't know where they are. Two men stole them, one is at large and the other is in prison. Tony goes undercover and pretends to be a convict and, chained to the man who was in prison, goes on the run in a hope that the man might lead him to the stolen items before they are sold. Tony is being tracked by the team and Gibbs and Kate follow his signal, leaving McGee at headquarters. They lose Tony's signal when he goes into a stream and then again when he crashes the car with a tracking device in. McGee has to deal with a very difficult person from the government and

Kate and Gibbs try to find Tony. Tony and the man meet up with the other man at a house and they spend the night there. In the morning the 'man at large' is gone and the other man says he must have already gone to sell the items. Gibbs and Kate get to the house after Tony has left and they find the body of the man that had supposedly already gone to sell the items, they then know that Tony's life is in jeopardy. Tony lets them know where he is by phoning Gibbs on the man's cell phone and they track him through there. Kate and Gibbs are on hot pursuit of them and when they arrive to where Tony is, Kate arrests the man that they were going to sell the items to and Gibbs goes to see what is happening in the car. When he gets there he sees the man dead and Tony with his head forward. Tony slowly lifts his head up and shows that he is fine.

Black Water

Season 2

Episode Number: 34

Season Episode: 11

Originally aired: Tuesday January 11, 2005 on CBS
Writer: Juan Carlos Coto, John Kelly
Director: Terrence O'Hara
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Gina St. John (Cindy Ames), Mike Starr (Monroe Cooper), Mark D. Espinoza (Sheriff Lester), Michael Weaver (Thomas McAllister), Lorna Scott (Sally Parker), Rob Luke (P.A.), Robin Riker (Saleena Lockhart), Jimmy Palumbo (Stage manager)
Production Code: 02011
Summary: A Navy officer's body, which was missing for 2 years, is found in a car pulled from a lake by a private investigator, who now wants to have the reward posted by the family. The disappearance turns out to be a murder when the team finds a bullet inside the car.



A Naval officer who has been missing for 2 years turns up in a car at the bottom of a lake. The missing persons case now seems to be murder, Gibbs and the team investigate. A private investigator/ novelist, who is also Tim's idol, helps and heads the investigation.

Suspicion turns on the officers older brother, and Kate must go on a date with him, so the team can search his home.

Doppelgänger

Season 2
Episode Number: 35
Season Episode: 12

Originally aired: Tuesday January 18, 2005 on CBS
Writer: Jack Bernstein
Director: Terrence O'Hara
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd)
Guest Stars: Ange Billman (Sales Person 2), Michael Archer (Sales Person 1), Kim Oja (Karen Wilkerson), Craig Welzbacher (George Mansur), Willie C. Carpenter (Arthur Gruden), Robert Patrick Benedict (Aaron Alan Wright), Chad Willett (Det. Monteleone), Will Burke (Det. Miller), Grant Garrison (P.O. Wilson), Rebecca McFarland (Det. Rapp), John Doman (Police Lt. Cheney), Jeremy Guskin (Roland Kesta)
Production Code: 02012
Summary: The team takes upon an unusual case when a telemarketer reports a possible murder of a petty officer who appeared to be dying over the phone. With the help of the Virginia officials, the team finds out it was just a practical joke. However, the person is soon found dead.



A telemarketer from a phone company calls a Navy lieutenant to advertise the phone service, but he hears a struggle over the phone and believes that the lieutenant has been murdered.

The team begins investigating the case and find that the lieutenant's body is not in his home, but they do find blood. After some time, Abby, McGee, and Kate all rush to tell Gibbs their findings, each believing that his or her finding is the most important. Abby reports that the blood drops in the lieutenant's home are not di-

rectional because they are spherical, meaning that whoever left the blood stood and let blood drop, took a step, dropped some blood, and took another step. McGee finds that the sound from the telemarketer's recording is unidirectional and came from the lieutenant's computer. Finally, Kate says that the lieutenant had requested that day off and had told the telemarketer to call him back at that specific time. With these facts, it seems that the lieutenant faked his own death.

Gibbs and McGee head to the office where the lieutenant worked as a computer programmer. Gibbs immediately takes a liking to Karen Wilkerson, who was the lieutenant's boss. McGee asks the man who worked next to the lieutenant about the lieutenant's work and obtains copies of his codes and other files.

Back at the lab, McGee and Abby analyze the code, which deals with prescription drug shipments for the government. They find 3 suspicious lines of code, which appear to cause the shipment of various drugs directly to the lieutenant. The code had not yet been released in a fully functional form, but it had been working to some extent. Thus, the lieutenant had been receiving and selling drugs for some time but likely faked his death because the code was about to be released.

While searching for the lieutenant, they discover his body, which is certainly not a suicide, as he was shot at close range in the back of the head. The team believes that the lieutenant may have had a partner who wanted to take the drug money for himself. The team interviews the lieutenant's former roommate as well as the man who worked next to him in the office, but they are unsuccessful.

Gibbs takes a break for a date with Karen in his basement, where he is holding her closely and showing her how to sand his boat. As they begin to kiss, Gibbs' phone rings, and he takes the call. He is informed that the team has analyzed cigarette butts found at the scene of the lieutenant's death and found out their brand. Gibbs asks Karen for a cigarette, and she hands him one of the same brand that was used by the killer. He confronts her with this and says that he hopes she isn't the killer and kisses her.

The Meat Puzzle

Season 2

Episode Number: 36

Season Episode: 13

Originally aired: Tuesday February 8, 2005 on CBS
Writer: Frank Military
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Nina Foch (Mrs. Vanessa Mallard), Morgan Weisser (Vincent Hanlan), Pat Healy (Jonathan Hanlan), Holmes Osborne (Fred Hanlan), Lee Garlington (Mary Hanlan), Dave Shalansky (Delivery Man), Jesse D. Goins (Jeffrey Wilson)
Production Code: 02013
Summary: A "meat puzzle" starts when Ducky identifies the pieces of three bodies that were stuffed inside a barrel few months ago. They turn out to be bodies of a sheriff and a prosecutor that worked with Ducky on a rape case 10 years ago. Gibbs believes that Ducky might be the next victim, so he orders to keep him and his mother safe. Even so, Ducky gets kidnapped between the investigation and now the team must find him before it's too late.



Ducky identifies the body's of a prosecutor and sheriff who worked a rape and murder case with him ten years ago. Gibbs becomes worried when it becomes apparent that Ducky is the next target. Gibbs assigns the team to protect Ducky at his home with his mother. When Ducky is kidnapped it becomes a race against time to locate and save Ducky from an insane murderer.

Witness

Season 2

Episode Number: 37

Season Episode: 14

Originally aired:	Tuesday February 15, 2005 on CBS
Writer:	George Schenck, Frank Cardea
Director:	James Whitmore Jr.
Show Stars:	Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Guest Stars:	Danica McKellar (Erin Kendall), Conor Dubin (Jeremy Pryor), Jack McGee (Det. Floyd), Christopher Stapleton (Lt. Wade), Alana Stelling (P.O. Walker), Colleen Porch (Jill Meyers), Tina Lifford (Dr. Fox), Dave Price (Meteorologist), Conor Michael Dubin (Jeremy Pryor)
Production Code:	02014
Summary:	A woman claims to have seen a murder of a sailor in an apartment across from hers. Gibbs assigns the case to Tim who believes that he can resolve it himself. However, when the less of physical evidence happens, Tim pursues the team to help him.



A woman is relaxing in her home when she looks out the window and sees a struggle across the street. She immediately gets a video camera and frantically tries to tape the masked figure in black and the man across the way.

At the NCIS office, Kate has a toothache and needs a root canal, but she is afraid of going to the dentist. Gibbs walks in and sends McGee to investigate the report of a woman who saw a struggle across the street. McGee goes alone because the police department doesn't think anything bad happened, but the woman was insistent.

The detective at the scene, Detective Floyd, says that nothing happened; no sailor was strangled, and there was no sign of a struggle. The man who lives in the apartment, Mr. Thorne, is actually a civilian. McGee goes to visit the woman, Erin Kendall, anyway. She says that she knows it was a sailor because of his uniform. Her video is no good; the figures are not visible because she got there too late. There seems to be a chemistry between McGee and Erin; they both went to MIT.

McGee calls Gibbs and says he thinks something might have happened and that they should move forward with the case. The remaining team members rush to meet him at Erin's apartment. McGee explains that there is little hard evidence but that he has learned from Gibbs that he has to go with his gut.

Abby says that the crime scene produced few quality prints. She finds prints from a missing sailor, Petty Officer Keith Dylan. While McGee is happy that he is right about something having happened, Gibbs points out that it means a sailor may have died.

DiNozzo and Kate reenact the strangling across the way while Erin, McGee, and Gibbs watch. Erin says that it looked exactly like that. DiNozzo falls to the ground, starts sniffing the floor and asks for the alternate light source (ALS); he detects urine on the floor.

Gibbs opens the convertible sofa in the apartment and finds two suitcases. One is an empty gun case. The other may have contained drugs, they guess.

Dylan's commanding officer says that Dylan was a reliable officer, and he is surprised that he is late for work today. DiNozzo finds that Dylan had a girlfriend named Meg.

Abby found that the urine is definitely human, and she is analyzing the DNA in the epithelial cells found in the urine. The second box at Thorne's place had traces of cocaine, but 4 out of 5 bills contain levels of cocaine that can be detected. Thus, this case probably contained money. Kate reports that Robert J. Thorne must be an alias because all his bills are under phony names, and he has paid everything in cash. DiNozzo finds that Dylan's home is messy, his girlfriend does not live there, and she currently has a yeast infection.

Detective Floyd calls McGee to inform him that he has found the body of a sailor. Ducky says that the time of death was 12 to 14 hours ago, corroborating Erin's story. Gibbs asks McGee how they should proceed. McGee thinks they should look for a connection between Thorne and Dylan, watch both apartments, and obtain a composite sketch from Erin and Thorne's building manager, Jeremy Pryor.

McGee and Kate visit Meg to ask about Dylan. She is surprised and saddened to hear of his death. Kate notices her wedding ring, but she says that her husband is in Iraq and would not have known about Dylan. Dylan said she could move in with her and he would provide with her with his large sum of money. She has never heard of Thorne.

Abby found that the fibers found on Dylan came from a car. Gibbs asks her to analyze the prints found on the gun application.

McGee is on the phone with Erin, having a casual conversation. Erin panics when she hears noises and sees a doorknob turn. She screams as someone attacks her, and McGee rushes across the street from Thorne's place, which he was watching. Erin is not moving. McGee bends down to tend to her, and the attacker hits him. McGee shoots at him but misses his target.

Detective Floyd says that his medical examiner will take Erin because this is a case of a civilian killing another civilian. McGee feels guilty about not being there to save Erin, but Kate says that he was exactly where he should have been.

DiNozzo interviews the Pryor, who woke up due to the gunshots. Detective Floyd interrupts and says he will take over the interview.

Kate says that her hypnotist really helped her with her fear of the dentist, so she recommends that McGee undergo hypnotism in order to better remember the appearance of the attacker. He goes through the motions of what he did when he was on the phone with Erin and what she said. The hypnotist asks him to look at the attacker's face, but he can't see it. The attacker is wearing a jumpsuit and jacket. He is wearing a large watch on his right wrist.

Abby finds that the gun from Thorne's couch was used in two unsolved murders. Thorne's gun application has prints that match Dylan's corpse - they are the same man. Dylan was probably a hit man with an assumed identity. The killer of Dylan and Erin was probably the person who stole the money from Dylan's second suitcase. McGee realizes that Pryor wears his watch on his right wrist and has the keys to Thorne's apartment. Shocked, he runs off into traffic and is hit by a car.

Back at the office, McGee asks for quiet while writing up his first report. Kate says that for her first report, Gibbs made her rewrite it twice. DiNozzo had to rewrite his five times. Gibbs walks by and congratulates McGee on passing on the first try, so Kate and DiNozzo realize he is currently working on something else. They find that he is writing a sympathy note to Mr. and Mrs. Kendall, and they remark that it is a nice thing for him to do.

Caught on Tape

Season 2
Episode Number: 38
Season Episode: 15

Originally aired: Tuesday February 22, 2005 on CBS
Writer: Christopher Crowe, John C. Kelley, Gil Grant
Director: Jeff Woolnough
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Kevin Sizemore (Marine Sgt. Moore), Marieh Delfino (Judy Moore), David Lipper (Marine Sgt. Caine), John Lacy (Park Ranger Kett), Tim de Zarn (David Runion)
Production Code: 02015
Summary: A Marine falls off a cliff, and his camera records him falling. The prime suspects are his wife and his best friend with whom he had a picnic in the camp. Gibbs finds out they had an affair behind a dead man's back and he tries to persuade one another to blame each other. In the meantime, Abby reconstructs the case using her computer skills to handle the Marine's camera.



We're watching the sunrise in a beautiful, natural setting through the lens of a video camera. The camera goes tumbling and you hear scuffling as the picture in the video camera shatters and turns to snow and then ends frozen on the face of a dead person.

In the squad room, Kate is talking on the phone with a girl friend. They are discussing something that happened on the other woman's date when Kate realizes that Tony is listening to their conversation and abruptly hangs up. Tony tries to wheedle more information about this date out of Kate, but she's having none of it. McGee walks through and Tony tries

to draw him into the conversation which has turned to Spike Steel, a porn star. Kate says Spike Steel reminds her of Tony which makes Tony wonder how Kate knows what Spike Steel looks like. Gibbs comes in and starts handing out assignments, there is a dead Marine (Sgt. William Moore) in Shendoah River State Park.

Sgt. Moore, his wife, and best friend (Sgt. Caine) were camping together. Sgt. Moore went out alone to film the sunrise. The park ranger tells Gibbs that the trail is slippery in the early mornings and Sgt. Moore must have slipped. Gibbs questions the ranger's assumption but he remains certain it was an accident. There is no sign of the video camera.

Kate and Tony are walking in to the crime scene while Tony wonders what's keeping McGee. Kate tells Tony that McGee has joined a gym. We hear panting and footsteps running and here comes McGee, arms loaded with Ducky's gear. It's another quarter mile to the crime scene and McGee plunges on ahead with Tony commenting that McGee should get his money back from

the gym. Tony is still comparing himself to Spike Steel remarking that they both need stamina in their chosen lines of work.

Flashbulbs flash as pictures are taken of the corpse. Ducky is quizzing Mr. Palmer on the preliminary findings. With some prodding Mr. Palmer arrives at a preliminary cause of death that matches Ducky's supposition on the subject. Mr. Palmer does not understand the flesh wounds, however, and Ducky explains that a coyote has been feasting on the body. Ducky details which portions of the body are eaten in which order to which Mr. Palmer comments "That's, uh, gross, Doctor." Ducky chuckles and tells him they're lucky that the coyote didn't chew off the head and carry it away. One of Ducky's coroner friends in LA says that coyotes take it to go. Ducky remarks that they're very strange in LA.

All during this discussion Gibbs has been surveying the area around the body, in particular looking up at the cliff Sgt. Moore fell off of. Ducky tells Gibbs that he has noticed nothing unusual for now. McGee shouts that he has found the camcorder. It's in pieces and slightly submerged near the edge of a small stream.

Gibbs is interviewing the wife and friend. The wife says that Moore was obsessed with the camcorder, a birthday gift. If he hadn't been filming, he might not have slipped. There was a drunk in the same area with them last night. The drunk had a camper and was quite loud, they asked him to keep it down, he didn't, so they went back to talk with him again. The drunk took a swing at them, they put him in a headlock till he calmed down, and then the drunk took off. They have no identification on the drunk, Sgt. Caine says he was harmless. Moore is back from 8 months in Iraq, his wife comments on the irony of him dying filming a sunrise.

Abby and Gibbs are walking through the hallways towards Abby's lab. She is explaining that it really isn't that simple to recover footage from a camera that has been immersed in water for hours. "How long?" Gibbs asks. Abby goes into a detailed explanation of everything she needs to do. "How long?" "Three maybe four hours," Abby replies. Gibbs gives her the look that says that answer is unacceptable. Abby does not respond so Gibbs has to accept it. Abby then questions Gibbs on where he is on the technology scale and ends the conversation with "Peace out, man!" and the peace sign. Gibbs looks bemused and leaves her lab.

Ducky is in his element lecturing Mr. Palmer on what coyotes will eat. Basically, anything they can chew. Unfortunately for Ducky, the same cannot be said for his mother. She can no longer chew anything. "Have you ever seen a ribeye steak that's been reduced to baby food by a Cuisinart?" Ducky asks Mr. Palmer. Ducky then describes the rest of his mother's dinner entrees, ending with the Sunday treat, sushi through a straw. While he talks, Ducky has been working, examining the body. He's found something unusual in Moore's hair, which must be taken directly to Abby for identification. Ducky then invites Mr. Palmer over to his house for dinner one evening. Mr. Palmer accepts, although he looks less than enthused about the prospect. Mr. Palmer leaves to take the specimen to Abby and Ducky smiles to himself and then goes back to examining the body.

Abby works on identifying the sliver Ducky removed from Moore's scalp. It is a piece of wood, Northern White Ash to be precise. Not from a tree, but a baseball bat. "Somebody did a Barry Bonds on Sgt. Moore's head, Gibbs."

In the squad room, McGee, Tony, and Kate are gathered around the plasma discussing Sgt. Moore's service record. McGee doesn't know what an EI is, Tony tells him, but he does know what a MOUT is, interrupting Tony as he tries to tell him. Tony is "instructing" the probie. The probie insists that if he needs to know something he will ask Tony . . . where Gibbs or Kate is. Kate asks if the two of them are done and finishes summing up the case. As she finishes, Tony head-slaps McGee and tells Kate that now he's done. Kate wonders if either the wife or the best friend murdered Sgt. Moore. Tony and McGee think it is odd that a single man is hanging out with a married couple. Kate doesn't understand why that's weird. She spends time, without a date, with married couples. Who usually invites her, they ask. Usually the guy she responds. McGee and Tony share a knowing look and a laugh at Kate's expense. Kate insists that men and women can be just friends. Tony laughs. McGee says "Technically." Kate asks what he means by that and Tony responds that she'd have to be pretty ugly for that. McGee and Tony start laughing again. McGee claims he didn't say that, but his laughter is unabated. Gibbs walks in on this, asking what they are doing. They all cover up, saying they are discussing suspects. Gibbs tells them to get going, he's found another suspect. As they walk away, Kate remarks that Tony and McGee are about four years old.

Abby is in her lab drawing on a scrub cap with magic marker. Hers has a skull and crossbones on it. It goes with her black and white striped prison shirt. Everyone remarks on the hat, McGee finding it attractive in a weird way. Gibbs merely wants to know why. Abby is recycling the hats from the clean room where she worked on the video tape. She asks Gibbs how he likes it. He says it suits her and hands her a Caf-Pow asking what she found on the tape. Abby doesn't have the complete tape done, but she did find a POI (person of interest Tony whispers to McGee). Before she rolls the tape, Abby starts the disclaimer about how the tape has been edited for time and content and may not be suitable for all ages. Gibbs becomes impatient and Abby rolls tape.

A very grainy, distorted, and broken up homemade video tape starts playing. The three campers are discussing whether or not they should go and confront the drunk whose music is very audible in the background. They do go to the drunk's camper and confront him and the drunk throws the first punch. The video goes in and out of focus and the next thing you see is the drunk in a head lock being told he's now on tape assaulting them. The drunk agrees to leave. Gibbs wants an ID on the drunk. Abby has managed to get a shot of the license plate and has the name (David Runion) and last known address. "Good work, Abby" says Gibbs as he leaves the lab. Gibbs also orders Tony and McGee back to the park to find the spot where Moore was killed before he was tossed off the cliff. Tony orders McGee to gas up the sedan and meet him out front and strides out of the lab.

Abby stops Kate from leaving and asks her if she really likes her hat. Kate hesitates and says it's different. Abby made a hat for Kate as well. McGee is standing there as Abby presents Kate with the hat and urges her to put it on. Kate's hat has flowers all over it. McGee sighs and digs out his wallet. Abby bet McGee twenty bucks Abby could get Kate to wear the hat. As McGee leaves the room, Abby gives Kate one of the tens McGee gave her, saying "Your cut."

McGee and Tony are back at the park, looking at the crime scene. McGee complains that Tony could have helped carry things, but Tony is having none of it. He carried the camera, that's help enough. They find a drop of blood and signs of a struggle so need to search the woods. Tony starts to warn McGee about something, but McGee cuts him off. He's tired of being treated like an idiot, he graduated top of his class at FLETC, and he knows how to search a wooded area. McGee drapes his coat over Tony and goes into the woods. Tony watches him go with a smile on his face.

Back in the squad room, Kate has found David Runion. Runion is in an RV park near Shenendoah Park and he served time for assault and battery after nearly beating a man to death with a pool cue. Kate and Gibbs are rolling. Kate asks about a warrant, but they don't have any evidence. For now, Gibbs just wants to talk with him.

McGee is deep in the woods, pretty much crawling on his hands and knees and digging through the underbrush until he finds the baseball bat. Tony comes in and takes pictures of it. McGee apologizes for being so brusque before and Tony says to think nothing of it. He tells McGee how brave he thinks McGee was to crawl around in all that poison ivy. McGee is hopeful that Tony is joking, but he's not. "Leaves of three, let them be, McGee." Tony then tells McGee not to touch him and gets up and goes back to the car, leaving McGee to bag the baseball bat.

Gibbs and Kate have arrived at Runion's camping site. There is a small terrier out barking and snarling at Kate as she approaches. Kate backs off from the dog but Gibbs gets down on one knee and reaches in and scratches the dog's head and neck until the dog starts to lick him and then the dog rolls over for a belly rub. Gibbs tells Kate that dogs can sense sarcasm as he gets up and moves towards the trailer. Kate tries to follow and the dog snarls at her again. Kate edges past the door as Gibbs pounds on the trailer, announcing themselves and saying that want to ask questions. There is no answer from the trailer. Gibbs draws his weapon, opens the door, and goes in. No one is home. Gibbs does a cursory search while Kate guards the door. Gibbs finds a bag of marijuana as the dog starts to bark outside. Kate looks out and sees Runion approaching with an armload of firewood. Runion sees her in the door of his trailer, drops the firewood, and takes off. Kate and Gibbs pursue him with the dog barking accompaniment. Runion thinks he has eluded them, drops down into the brush, and says "Idiots." At that moment a gun cocks and is put to the back of his head. "Put your hands behind your head," says Gibbs. Runion wants to know how he did that. Gibbs used to do that for a living, but then Runion would be dead instead of under arrest. Runion has no other questions.

Runion is in interrogation complaining that he has to go to the bathroom. Kate and Tony are in the observation room watching. Tony is eating chips. Runion threatens to soil himself and

Kate thinks they should let him use the restroom. Tony thinks Runion is bluffing. Kate describes Runion's trailer and puts Tony off his chips.

Gibbs enters the interrogation room and Runion tells him he needs to go to the bathroom. Hold it is Gibbs' response. If he can't, good, then this will be quick. Runion denies knowing Sgt. Moore. Gibbs shows him Moore's picture. Runion still denies it. Gibbs shows him the restored video footage of the fight. Runion denies it. He says he ran from them because of the pot in his trailer. Runion has a medical condition. "What?" asks Gibbs. "Stupidity?" Runion insists that he didn't do it and that he was sleeping in his trailer at a rest stop when the murder occurred. Kate is checking his alibi, trying to find out if there is any video surveillance or security guards at the rest stop Runion mentioned.

Abby is piecing the sliver from Moore's head into the bat that McGee found in the woods. McGee comes in for a report and learns that the bat is the murder weapon, but it has been wiped clean of prints but is covered in urushiol oil. McGee turns and faces Abby who reacts violently to his face. McGee's face is a cluster of red blotches. Abby cannot describe it to McGee so gives him a CD to look at his reflection. McGee knows that it is going to hurt. Abby recommends calamine lotion and a mask.

In the squad room, Kate is on the phone requesting the video surveillance tapes. The sheriff asks her out, but he's married. As Kate hangs up the phone, she says "and my mother wonders why I'm not married." Tony startles Kate by saying his mother wonders the same thing. Tony is standing right next to Kate's desk. Kate tells him to stop sneaking up on her. Tony is only practicing that creepy way that Gibbs' used to sneak up on them. "Used to?" Kate asks. Tony says that Gibbs has been wearing Ben-Gay so he can smell him. Kate smiles and looks away. "Is that a fact, DiNozzo?" We hear Gibbs' voice but do not see him. "Knee better, boss?" We see Gibbs' face appear from right behind Tony's head. "Much."

Gibbs asks for an update on the case. Tony and Kate are working to verify Runion's alibi. Kate asks if Gibbs thinks Runion did it. "Oh yeah" says Gibbs as he leans over and opens a desk drawer, pulling out a rag, which he then throws at Tony's head. "And Tony is cleaning it up." Gibbs calls maintenance and tells them they don't have to clean in interrogation. Tony does not believe Gibbs is serious until Gibbs stands up tall and looks at him. Tony says he used creepy in the most affectionate sense of the word. Gibbs just looks at Tony. Kate suggests that Tony wear gloves and Gibbs hollers for McGee.

McGee is visiting Ducky for a medical opinion on his rash. Ducky hasn't seen such a bad case since two young lovers fell asleep naked in a field of poison ivy. As he talks, McGee attempts to scratch. Ducky automatically gives McGee's hand a smack. "I don't think Sarah has ever forgiven me for that one," Ducky continues. As Ducky applies a salve to McGee's arms and face, he explains to McGee that the rash is on his face because it spreads by contact. McGee now has a different problem. While he was searching for the baseball bat, he relieved himself. Oh says Ducky. Then the light dawns and it becomes "oooooooooooooh." Ducky backs up and tells McGee they'll have to take a look. McGee is embarrassed but drops his trousers. Ducky assures him that he is a doctor and he has seen everything there is to see. Ducky takes one look and says "Good lord." McGee looks down and asks if it's bad. Ducky assures him that everything is fine, he just didn't expect to see so much, uh, swelling. Now McGee is panicking. If Tony finds out about this, he'll have to quit. Ducky assures McGee his secret is safe with him. At that precise moment, Mr. Palmer walks in with some forms for Ducky. Mr. Palmer takes in the situation says he'll come back and does a quick 180. "Him I'm not sure about," Ducky tells McGee.

Up in the squad room, the surveillance video is up on the plasma. There is Runion and his trailer and they stayed all night. The wayside is about 2 miles from the park. Gibbs' phone rings and it is Abby.

McGee is in her lab and they are discussing his poison ivy. McGee wants the truth about how bad he looks. But McGee and Abby decide he would prefer a lie to the truth at this point. Gibbs, Kate, and Tony walk in and get their first look at McGee. Shock and revulsion are their immediate reactions, although McGee assures them it looks worse than it really is. Tony compares McGee to the Elephant Man. Gibbs wonders if McGee can still work. McGee assures him he can and Gibbs takes that at face value, although he steps way around McGee to see what Abby has for him. Abby has more of the video tape but not the very last shot. That she had to send out to the Naval Photo Lab and Abby hopes to have it back tomorrow. Gibbs, of course, wants it now. And since Abby doesn't have that for him, why is he in her lab? Because Abby did find something on

the tape. There is footage of the wife and the best friend, who probably didn't know they were being taped. There is a frame of the wife looking right into the camera and saying "Honey what is wrong?" Tony asks Kate if she thinks men and women can still be just friends.

Abby is trying to lip read the conversation between the wife and the best friend. Gloria, Abby's deaf mother, felt lip reading was not her strong suit. The wife says "We have to <something> him" as everyone suggests a word for the <something>. Kate says kill, McGee murder, Tony love. Gibbs smacks Tony in the head with his notepad. Tony wishes Gibbs would stop doing that. Gibbs says he will when Tony stops blanking up. Kate looks at the tape again and watches Mrs. Moore touch Sgt. Caine's face in an intimate way. Tony says it just proves his point about the sexes. Gibbs wants both Mrs. Moore and Sgt. Caine brought in tomorrow, but they are not to know why. They'll be playing Gibbs' favorite game, musical interrogation rooms.

Tony and McGee are walking through Quantico on the way to pick up Sgt. Caine. McGee feels everyone is staring at him. Tony chides him for not listening to him; McGee says that if he did listen to Tony, Gibbs would have fired him. Tony raises his hand to head-smack McGee but stops. McGee asks him why. Tony spins a yarn about feeling sorry for the new guy, but then reveals the real reason: it would be like touching a leper. Tony and McGee pick up Sgt. Caine who asks about the accident. He is informed it was no accident and he tells them that the drunk must have overheard that Moore was going to be filming up there in the morning. Does NCIS need him to ID the drunk? Nope, they want to know how Sgt. Moore reacted when he found out Sgt. Caine was sleeping with his wife. Caine asks if she told them and McGee shows him the video tape footage on his cell phone. They arrest him.

Mrs. Moore is sitting with Kate at her desk in the squad room. She doesn't understand why she had to come in to pick up her husband's effects. Gibbs offers her a bottle of water. They ask what kind of man her husband was, was he jealous? At that moment, Tony and McGee bring Caine through the squad room in handcuffs. Where do you want him, boss? Interrogation room 1. Mrs. Moore does not understand what is going on, but Gibbs assures her she will tell him. Mrs. Moore goes to interrogation room 2.

Abby calls Gibbs down to her lab to show him the end of the video tape. It looks like Moore slipped and fell. The killer taped over the ending but there are a couple of seconds of the original tape there. Abby explains to Gibbs how she will attempt to clean it up so it is viewable. Gibbs only wants to know when. Abby tells him he doesn't have to take the fun out of everything and that it will take a few hours. Gibbs tells her she did a good job, but that she only has 20 minutes. As she protests, he tells her to get McGee to help her.

In the observation room we see the two interrogation rooms side-by-side on the monitor. Kate admits to Tony that she may have to agree with him about the sexes. It's Biology 101, he tells her. Kate asks Tony if he thinks she's attractive. Sure he responds. So why hasn't he ever? "Because I know you."

Gibbs walks into the interrogation room with Caine. Caine is scratching, it seems he has poison ivy. Gibbs inquires about the length of Caine's and Moore's friendship. They did boot camp together in San Diego. "A Hollywood Marine" Gibbs says derisively. Then he asks just when did Caine start screwing Moore's wife.

Gibbs is now in the interrogation room with Mrs. Moore. Mrs. Moore doesn't understand why she is there. She knows Caine didn't do it, because he was with her that morning. "By with me, you mean in the same sleeping bag?"

Caine is vehemently denying that charge. She's not lying to protect him, but because she's insane. After Moore left to film the sunrise, Caine went to take a shower. He was gone an hour and she was at the camp site when he returned. So she had an hour to kill Moore? No way. Oh, so then you had an hour to kill Moore?

Mrs. Moore doesn't believe Caine would say that about her so Gibbs orders Kate to play back the tape of Caine's recent remarks. Gibbs asks if Mrs. Moore really believed Caine loved her. Their affair started when Moore was in Iraq. Gibbs looks away from her in disgust.

Gibbs meets Tony out in the hallway. Now is the time to put the two of them in the same room. Gibbs is going to get more coffee. Gibbs, Kate, and Tony are in the observation room watching Mrs. Moore and Caine in the interrogation room. Caine says it was just a fling that should never have happened, she asks why he said he loved her then. Why did he kill Moore, if not to be with her. Caine screams at her to stop saying that and then she tells him that she's pregnant and the baby is his. Tony thinks this show is better than cable. Kate wants to know which one is telling

the truth. Gibbs just drinks his coffee.

Abby and McGee are working on the video tape. It plays and the image is out of focus but McGee makes some tweaks. We hear Moore say "is that you Roger" and then we see a baseball bat come into the frame, followed by Runion's face.

Up in the squad room, McGee is showing them how Runion did it. His trailer never left the rest stop, but Runion did. Abby did some video magic and now you can see Runion's shadow moving back into the trailer. It was 4 miles round trip on foot. Kate gets off the phone with the sheriff with the news that Runion posted bail on the pot charge and he's out of jail. Gibbs is ready to go pick him up. What about Mrs. Moore and Sgt. Caine? "Let 'em suffer for a while. I think Sgt. Moore would appreciate that."

Runion is packing up to leave. The dog is barking and bounding between the pick-up truck and the trailer. Runion heads into the trailer as the team pulls up. Runion goes into the trailer and comes back out with an automatic weapon and starts firing at the NCIS vehicle. The team takes shelter behind the car doors and return fire. Gibbs advises Runion to give up but Runion goes into the trailer and breaks out the window to start firing again. The team is outgunned and Runion is not going back to prison. Kate has a plan, but Gibbs has a better idea. Gibbs leans around the car door and whistles. The dog comes running to Gibbs and hops into the car. Gibbs advises Kate and Tony to cover their ears, takes aim, and shoots the propane tank attached to the trailer. It explodes and the entire trailer goes up in flames. "I think you got him, boss" Tony says. Kate is cuddling the dog and asking what they're going to do with it. Gibbs looks at her and she says no way. Tony offers to take the dog and reaches in to pet the dog, who growls and snaps at Tony. "Good dog. I think I'll call you Tony." "It's a bitch, Kate."

Back in the squad room, Kate and Abby are talking about whether or not Tony likes Kate. Tony is walking by, hears this, and ducks down to continue eavesdropping. Not her usual type says Kate, but cute. Adorable says Abby. Maybe we could share Tony. Tony gets a huge grin on his face and starts to stand up. Tony the dog catches sight of him and starts barking like crazy. The dog has a pretty pink bow on and Kate and Abby are petting her. They tell Tony he can come out now and ask if he got the dog food. Tony says no as he reaches in to pet the dog, who bites Tony's finger. Abby has a studded dog collar for little Tony and Kate is thrilled because now they can tell them apart. Tony says at least he doesn't hang out with married people. Kate asks Abby to tell Tony that men and women can just be friends. Abby agrees with Kate. "Without having sex?" Tony asks. "Oh no, they'll have sex" is Abby's response. Kate is horrified. Abby doesn't believe that Kate never had sex with a friend. Tony smirks. "What is wrong with you people" Kate asks. Gibbs thinks that's a good question. He also wants to know what they did to the dog. Kate says they're taking care of her unless Gibbs wants her. That's a definite no. They put the dog on the floor and she starts eating. Tony starts looking for his ball cap. Kate and Abby deny any knowledge of its whereabouts. Gibbs looks around and does a double take. He sees the dog, complete with pink bow and studded dog collar, eating out of Tony's ball cap. And there is Gibbs' half-amused smile again.

Pop Life

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Guest Stars: Mya (Jade King), Daya Vaidya (Summer Diamond), Scott Alan Smith (Det. Mauceri), Kiko Ellsworth (Willie Taylor), Conrad Roberts (Benjamin King), Steve Brand (Ian Hitch), Shang Forbes (DJ), Mark Griffin (Blue McGinty)
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Summary: NCIS starts the investigation after petty officer Manda King is found dead in the bartender's bed. The suspect is the owner of the competing club where Manda's sister sings.



We see a man waking up in bed with his lady friend. As he cuddles up to her, he notices that she is freezing cold. We hear a knock on the door and see blood all over the man's hand as he moves to get up and answer the door. He sees the blood and rolls his lady friend over to see that she is quite dead and he leaps from the bed in surprise. The knocking becomes a little more insistent. The man opens the door to find two police officers. The police officers see a man with blood all over his face.

Tony and Kate enter autopsy squabbling about Tony eating some of Kate's food without asking. Ducky is performing

an autopsy and tells them to show respect, this is a place of peace and dignity. Tony makes a remark about Kate who gives him a shot in the gut with her elbow. Kate stalks up to Ducky and tells him that they need a mediator, or she will have to go to Employee Relations. Tony likens that to tattling, but Kate disagrees. Tony calls it the adult version of "I'm telling Mommy." Kate calls him juvenile and it very quickly disintegrates into a volley of "Am not" "Are so" exchanges. Ducky continues to work on the autopsy with Mr. Palmer's help, doing his best to ignore them.

Kate tells Ducky they need an unofficial mediator. Ducky recommends Gibbs, but realizes that probably won't work. Kate says they thought of McGee but neither of them have any respect for McGee so they thought of Ducky. Ducky is delighted to be third on their short list. He takes comfort in the thought that he beat out Abby. Turns out they just came from Abby who turned them down. Ducky sighs and says "he is busy, but" and motions with his head at Mr. Palmer who grabs up some blood samples and disappears to take them to Abby.

Ducky is very busy, but he's flattered that they would trust their relationship to him. He likens it to marriage counseling, which sets off all sorts of alarms for both Kate and Tony. Ducky

is looking forward to helping them. He starts to tell them about his study of psychology at the University of Edinburgh, but Kate cuts him off to tell him her side of the story. Kate left her desk for a moment and when she came back Tony was eating half of her tuna fish sandwich. Before Ducky can say a word, Tony is making hand gestures that indicate Kate is crazy and overreacting. "See, I'm hungry. We're buddies. It shouldn't be a big deal. It's not a big deal. But little miss tighty twisty pants blows everything out of proportion and it becomes a major deal." Kate is horrified by Tony's description of their problem. He ate her entire lunch. Both Kate and Tony are imploring Ducky to tell the other one that they are right. Ducky thinks the problem lies a little deeper in their relationship. "There's clearly a latent sibling rivalry being expressed by your adolescent and sexually charged bickering." As he speaks, Ducky is slowly backing up and away from the two of them who are pursuing him across the room. "It all stems from a desperate desire to please a father figure, and I think we all know what that is," Ducky continues. Tony and Kate have Ducky cornered in front of his desk. Kate doesn't understand what this has to do with her sandwich and Tony denies any father figure being involved.

Ducky is saved by the father figure as Gibbs comes into autopsy looking for Tony and Kate. They have a dead petty officer and they need to get going. Tony and Kate leave autopsy each claiming a chore to do with the other claiming they've all ready done it. "There are clearly issues here," Ducky says to the closing elevator doors. "We need to meet twice a week. At least."

The local LEO is giving a report on the body of PO Manda King. They have Willie Taylor in custody. Willie tends bar at Sugar Street. Ducky's initial cause of death would be the stab wounds. Ducky found something around Manda's nares. Gibbs isn't sure that he has nares, but Mr. Palmer assures him that all mammals do; they are your nostrils. The sample is to go to Abby. Mr. Palmer tries to explain to Gibbs that he didn't mean to imply that Gibbs didn't know what nares were, but Gibbs ignores him and asks for the time of death. Ducky lists all the reasons why it will be difficult to be precise but Gibbs wants an answer. Ducky tells him 0330 to 0500. The LEO tells them they had an anonymous 911 call at 5:30 about a woman screaming in this apartment. Ducky amends his time of death to 0530. Gibbs tasks McGee with finding the anonymous caller.

Mr. Palmer notes that the body has been moved and the LEO tells them that the suspect admitted to rolling her over. Tony has found the waste basket and calls Gibbs over to look at the evidence of a night of lots of passion. Those also get bagged and sent to Abby. Tony drops that task squarely into the probie's hands. Kate reports in on her conversation with Manda's CO. She was a good sailor, straight laced and was on track to be promoted to the personal yeoman to the captain. That doesn't track with what they see at the scene of the crime. Manda told her shipmates she had business in Norfolk, but not what it was.

Gibbs is interrogating Willie in the local police station. Willie insists that Manda is not the girl he took home last night. Gibbs finds it a bit hard to believe that he went to bed with one woman and woke up with another. Tony and Kate are in the observation room and Tony remarks that he hates when that happens, it's never pretty. Kate gives him a dirty look and he apologizes. Kate writes it down and informs Tony that she's keeping a journal so she can tell Ducky.

Willie tells Gibbs that the knife wasn't his, he carries a Swiss Army knife. He only had a couple of drinks, yet his blood alcohol level was .12 percent. Willie admits to having a few more drinks than he said. Bartenders act friendly and the patrons buy them drinks. Willie met Manda in the parking lot where she was looking for her keys. Willie hadn't seen her before and he just thought "damn he was a lucky bastard." Gibbs asks if the lucky bastard got the woman's name. "Manda." What a coincidence. The dead sailor they found in his bed was named Manda. Willie still insists that was not the woman he slept with. Willie doesn't have a last name or phone number. Things just progressed really quickly from a kiss to going back to his place. There are no witnesses who can verify Willie's version of the story.

Willie insists they just had a good time. The cop says they found traces of meth in Willie's blood. Gibbs wonders if Manda had meth as well. Willie denies doing drugs with Manda. Willie gets very frustrated and insists that this is not the girl he slept with. Gibbs looks at Willie and at the picture and starts to believe Willie is telling the truth.

Gibbs, Kate, and Tony come in to Abby's lab; McGee is all ready there. Gibbs wants the condoms tested both inside and outside. Gibbs wants to make sure that the outside DNA matches Manda's. Tony tells Abby that the suspect is claiming that Manda is not the girl he slept with. Abby says that happens to girls too. You go to bed with some guy whose all dark and gnarly

and you wake up next to someone who works in a bank and has fake tattoos. McGee takes the criticism a little personally saying he used to work in a bank. Abby assures him that his tat is real and he does not disappoint. Tony and Kate exchange a look and turn simultaneously to look at Abby and McGee. McGee realizes this isn't the time to be discussing this and moves on to report to Gibbs on the anonymous phone call, it was made from a pay phone outside Willie's apartment.

Gibbs is holding the evidence case with the murder weapon. There were no prints which is odd; he sleeps with her, he stabs her, and yet there are no prints. The blood on the knife is Manda's and Abby is running a tox screen on it. The powder Ducky found in her nose was meth and Abby is pretty sure they'll find meth in her blood. Kate wonders why a straight laced PO would OD on meth. Tony says maybe she wasn't so straight laced. Everyone has a funky side, except for Kate. This earns Tony another shot in the gut from Kate's elbow. Tony quickly tells Gibbs that he's sure that he doesn't have a funky side either. Gibbs moving on, they need to find out the truth about Manda King.

Manda's father is in the hospital, dying of end stage lung cancer. His other daughter is caring for him. Manda has been at sea for 8 months so they really don't know if she's seeing anyone. Gibbs promises the father that they will make sure Manda's murderer is punished. The father describes Manda as a hard worker who dedicated her life to raising her younger sister, Samantha. Samantha tells her father that Manda was promoted to captain's yeoman. Gibbs tells them about finding the drug residue in Manda's nose. Samantha insists that's a lie. She and her father refuse to believe it. Samantha doesn't think her father needs to hear this. Gibbs needs to know who Manda really was in order to find her killer, but her father insists she was a good girl.

Back in Abby's lab, the DNA tests are not finished yet but Abby found an answer using blood typing. The sample on the outside of the condoms does not match Manda King, so she did not have sex with Willie Taylor. Willie was set up.

In autopsy, Ducky is explaining the actual cause of death to Gibbs. The knife did not hit anything fatal and she did not bleed to death or as Ducky likes to say there was no exsanguination. It's a lovely word and he can't help saying it, he tells Gibbs. She was stabbed after she was dead. She died from the overdose. Gibbs called it an accidental overdose, but Ducky corrected him. There was so much meth in her system it had to have been a suicide. Tony pokes his head into autopsy to tell Gibbs that Willie is in the building.

In interrogation, Gibbs is wondering if Willie knows why he's here. "Yeah," he says. "I'm a ping pong ball. They serve me to you and you smack me right back." No, Gibbs informs him, they know he's telling the truth. PO King OD'd, someone stabbed her, and then put her in Willie's bed. Who would do that to Willie? Now that they know Willie is completely innocent, he wants an apology. Gibbs tells him he's getting to slide on the meth charge, that should be good enough. It doesn't seem to be to Willie so Gibbs gets up and leaves. Willie catches him before the door closes to tell him that the bar where he works, Sugar Street, needs the sailors to stay in business. If NCIS ties the murder of a sailor to him, Sugar Street will close. Who benefits from that? A man named Ian Hitch who owns a bar called Teaz. Sugar Street is Teaz' only real competition. This is the kind of stunt that Hitch would pull.

Hitch's nickname is Bulldog because, according to Tony, a bulldog bites you in the ass and never lets go. Hitch was charged with manslaughter twice in Manchester, England, but never convicted. McGee has heard of Teaz, and that they have very hot dancers, but he never went. Honest. Kate is sure that Tony is going to beg to take the lead on this case. What Tony was going to say was that Hitch probably used one of his dancers to seduce Willie and if Willie can identify her, they'll have an in. Tony is now chronicling Kate's opinion of him for their sessions with Ducky. Gibbs has no patience with this. "You done?" he asks. "Almost," Tony answers. "Done or fired are the choices." Tony is done.

Gibbs does not want Willie anywhere near Hitch. McGee recommends pulling their names from their W2s and getting pictures from the DMV. Tony explains how the dancers work for tips and their names, Tiffany Glitter, etc., will not be on their driver's licenses. Then he says he really should take the lead on this, nearly stopping as he realizes he has fallen into Kate's trap. Kate and Gibbs both laugh at him.

Tony and Kate are at Teaz wearing glasses that have cameras in them. Abby is up in MTAC receiving their signals and capturing their images. They start with Tony who is watching a dancer's bottom as she gyrates. "Well, what do you know" says Gibbs. "DiNozzo is finally looking where

he is supposed to be looking." Tony heard that. Abby tells Tony to look at their faces as she does screen captures of the images. Tony has to be reminded to move on. Tony is having a great time, even though Gibbs keeps reminding him that he can see Tony. Kate has to get closer to get her pictures. Gibbs directs Tony to a back booth and they get a picture of Hitch. McGee runs the facial recognition software and verifies that it is Hitch. The DJ introduces the featured singer, Jade, who turns out to be Samantha King. Tony is bobbing his head up and down in time to the music and Gibbs has to tell him to stop it so MTAC can see what's going on. Jade is a big hit in the club.

Kate approaches Jade as she leaves the club. She wants to know why Samantha is signing the day after her sister is murdered. Jade doesn't answer and glances over her shoulder at a couple of men watching them. Tony won't let her leave until they get some answers. The bouncers call for reinforcements and go over to stop Kate and Tony. Tony pulls his gun on them and tells them that Lulu (Kate) wants to sign Jade to a recording contract. Tony also gets verification of how Hitch got his nickname. Jade assures them that Hitch would not have killed Manda, even though she wanted Samantha to leave this life. Kate calls Tony Bruce and says they're going, Jade isn't interested.

Back at the squad room, the team is showing Willie the pictures of the dancers. Willie is enjoying the view and tells them that he doesn't know, he sleeps with a lot of women. Tony tells him he's a Morman, while Gibbs just rolls his eyes. Willie gets flustered by Tony's remark and picks out a possible suspect, but claims he was really drunk. Gibbs forcibly sits Willie down and tells him he's going to have to do better than that. Willie says he's doing the best he can, but Gibbs gives him the look, and Willie starts getting serious with the photos. Willie identifies one woman as a strong possibility, Summer Diamond. Gibbs is still unhappy about the "I think" part of Willie's answer. Tony goes into a little speech about how there's always something about a woman you remember, even 20 years later. Kate groans and Willie is confused, he thought Tony was a Morman. Willie remembers that the woman had a bulldog tattooed on her butt. Tony knew there was something and starts to tell a story about this woman who squeaked. Kate gets offended and asks if he wants to tell that story to Ducky. Gibbs assures Kate that Ducky has all ready heard this story, everyone has heard this story, and Tony can tell it to Kate while they go and pick up Summer Diamond. The only one who wants to hear the story is Willie, and he doesn't get to.

Summer is in the interrogation room with Gibbs. She does not recognize the photo of Willie. She does not go to Sugar Street. She works 6 nights a week at Teaz and does not go clubbing on her one night off. Gibbs shows her a photo of the bulldog tat but Summer assures him she dances practically naked so hundreds of men have seen that. Summer denies having slept with Willie. She also tells Gibbs that every single dancer has that tat; it means they're in Bulldog's crew. "I'd have thought he'd use a bite mark," Gibbs replies. Abby knocks on the door and comes in to take a DNA mouth swab.

Abby and Gibbs are in the hallway when Ducky comes up telling Jethro he needs him right now. Ducky missed something in his initial examination of Manda King. Ducky found a mark, a perfect circle, in Manda's nose, probably made by a funnel. Someone stuck a funnel in her nose and poured meth into her. It wasn't suicide but instead "a horrible, painful death."

Kate is having lunch with Samantha King and telling her exactly how her sister was killed. Manda was restrained and meth was forced down her nose and throat until her heart failed. Willie has been framed for this murder and they think it is by Hitch. Samantha again protests that Hitch wouldn't do it. Why not asks Kate. If Sugar Street is declared off limits, Teazwill get a huge surge of new business. But Kate knows that's not why Hitch did it. Mrs. King died when Samantha was 3 and Manda raised her. When Manda found out Samantha was hooked up with Hitch, she was determined to stop it. Hitch told Samantha that he had record company connections and would make her a star. She believed Hitch; Manda did not. Samantha cannot leave because she signed a contract. Manda was trying to get her out of the contract but Hitch had her killed.

Kate offers to help Samantha, but Samantha knows she cannot leave Hitch, he owns her. Samantha says Hitch will get away with the murder and then Hitch phones her. Against Kate's advice, Samantha answers her phone. She tries to lie to him, but he's right outside the restaurant watching her. Kate pulls her weapon in anticipation of problems but Hitch identifies her as Lulu, assuring her that Jade all ready has a manager. Jade tries to agree, but is told to keep quiet.

Hitch wants to know what labels Lulu scouts for. Kate tells him it's none of his business, but he disagrees when she's after his property. Hitch is holding Jade's hand very firmly in his own. Jade is only available to Hitch and Lulu and Bruce might want to leave town, tonight. Hitch pulls Jade up from the table and walks out with her.

Gibbs walks into the squad room carrying his usual cup of coffee. He tells Kate she should have taken back-up with her, but Kate did not expect Hitch to show up. Gibbs keeps looking at Kate who assures him it won't happen again. "I know," he tells her and goes to McGee, wondering how Hitch found Samantha. Samantha's cell phone belongs to Hitch so he is most likely using the GPS in the phone. Gibbs calls Hitch paranoid and Tony says that kinda reminds him of someone. Gibbs looks at him, but Tony says Hitch should be paranoid about losing Samantha, with her voice she could be the next Brandy. Gibbs doesn't know who that is, Tony and McGee do. Kate feels the point is that Hitch will kill Samantha before he would let her go. Gibbs phone rings; Norfolk Homicide found the body of a young woman, hit and run victim, with Gibbs' card in her bra.

The victim's name is Keisha Scott, also known as Summer Diamond. Gibbs tells the detective that they had her in NCIS for interrogation yesterday. Kate keeps on, saying they believe she is the woman who had sex with Willie. There is no way this was an accident. They tell the detective that Ian Hitch is involved; the detective recognizes Bulldog's name. He says that explains the lack of witnesses, Bulldog has this part of the town in his pocket. Gibbs wonders if the detective is also in Bulldog's pocket. Gibbs is taking Bulldog down. The detective assures Gibbs that he may find who did the hit and run, but he won't be able to connect it to Bulldog. The detective says Bulldog's lawyer will have him out as soon as he takes him in. Gibbs asks for jurisdiction and the detective gives it to him. "How soon can you have the rest of your team down here?" he wonders. Pretty soon Gibbs assures him as he whistles and gestures. The NCIS evidence truck and Ducky's van immediately pull into view.

Tony says there is no way it was an accident because Summer is practically naked and it was only 35 degrees out this morning. Ducky points out bruising on the shoulders to Mr. Palmer, making it possible that she was shoved in front of the vehicle. As always, Ducky will know more when he gets the poor girl back home. Kate found broken glass, probably from a headlight. Gibbs hollers for McGee, telling him the locals think it was a hit and run. What does McGee think? "Me?" McGee asks. "Uh, me?" he asks again as he looks around the crime scene. "Answer the man, probie" is Tony's advice. McGee doesn't think it was a hit and run. "Why?" Gibbs wants to know. There are no skid marks before or after the body. Whoever hit her didn't slow down. Gibbs gives a small, satisfied smile then dispatches Kate and Tony to pick up Samantha, making sure her cell phone is off, and not telling her about Summer.

Back in the squad room, the picture of Hitch is up on the plasma. Gibbs wants to know where he was when Manda was killed and when Summer took her half-naked walk. McGee is on it. Kate and Tony exit the elevator with Samantha, who is not really happy about being there. She's worried that Hitch will discover where she is. Tony says no problem and tasks McGee with rigging her cell phone GPS to show that she is at the hospital with her dying father from noon to 1730. Samantha tells Gibbs she isn't going to talk so can she go, but Gibbs assures her she isn't here to talk, but rather to see. "What?" Samantha is surprised. "A friend" Gibbs assures her.

Down in autopsy, they unzip Summer's body bag. Samantha is very upset but still refuses to believe it was Bulldog. Summer has a 2-year-old, not even Bulldog would do that. They assure her that Bulldog is tying up his loose ends and that if she talks, they will protect her. Samantha still refuses to talk to them. "Your sister is in the freezer, maybe you'd like to say good-bye" suggests Gibbs as he strides to an autopsy drawer and opens it. Samantha believes that Summer is on that slab because she talked to Gibbs, and she isn't going to make the same mistake. Gibbs agrees, it's not happening to her, but rather because of her. Samantha tells him that's enough and either charge her or she's leaving.

Samantha is walking out of the squad room with Gibbs, Kate, and Tony trailing behind telling her that if she leaves, they cannot protect them. McGee interrupts to tell Gibbs that Hitch has a very good alibi for Summer's murder. Bulldog was in New York promoting his club. McGee has verification of this alibi. "He always wins" Samantha says as she picks up her cell phone. "I tried to tell my sister that but she didn't listen. I hope you do before I end up dead too" and Samantha leaves.

Gibbs is down in autopsy going over the cause of Summer's death with Ducky. She had

multiple fatal injuries indicative of vehicular homicide. If Ducky had to pick one, it would be internal bleeding although her neck was broken on impact. If she had survived, she would never have danced again. She also had meth and alcohol in her blood, although not enough to kill her like Manda King did. All Ducky can tell from the bruising is that someone held her very firmly. There is a procedure that Abby can use to lift prints from the dead skin but Abby needs Gibbs' approval first. Why, Gibbs wants to know. "Well, it's prohibitively expensive and rarely works," Ducky tells him. "So's getting married" shrugs Gibbs. "Do it." Ducky just laughs.

Back in the squad room, Tony is trying to rush McGee through his work. Tony's isn't just hovering around McGee, he is actually eating cookies above his head, dropping crumbs on McGee's head and brushing them off. McGee finishes and puts his results up on the plasma. Tony compliments Kate on her cooking and says just how good these cookies are. McGee asks for one and Kate opens the tin to discover one cookie left. There were a dozen in there. Tony's response "They were really good." Gibbs shows up and wants to know what they have for him. McGee has rigged Samantha's phone so that they can keep track of them. As they stand there, Gibbs helps himself to the last cookie out of Kate's tin. McGee starts to suggest that that cookie was his, but thinks better of it and explains to Gibbs exactly what he did. Samantha is 20 miles outside of Norfolk and moving. "Good work, McGee. That's a good job," says Gibbs and hands him the cookie. McGee admits that it was Tony's idea so Gibbs takes the cookie back and eats it himself. Kate simply stands there holding the cookie tin with a horrified look on her face. "That's so not right" Tony whispers to her as Gibbs barks out assignments. McGee is to help Abby and Tony and Kate are with him. They're going to visit Ian Hitch and bring Samantha back. Gibbs is not going to let her end up like her sister.

Abby is down in autopsy with Mr. Palmer who wants to know how this is going to work. Abby isn't quite sure since she's never done it before, but she's sure they'll figure it out together. Mr. Palmer asks Abby to call him Jimmy, which she has done, but he isn't paying any attention to anything she says, but rather staring at her with a particularly insipid look on his face. Abby is explaining that they are using super glue which should adhere to the fingerprints and then when it dries they can peel them off like a sticker. Jimmy really isn't paying attention and manages to dump over the pot of super glue and then knocks Abby over as she's trying to clean it up. Mr. Palmer puts his hands in the super glue and then helps Abby up, who is beginning to think she would be better off doing this procedure alone. It's too late for that, though, because they are now super glued together.

Abby tries to pull herself away from Mr. Palmer, who simply slides along the floor in his booties. As McGee comes into autopsy, he finds the two of them in a hug, although that certainly is not Abby's intent. McGee wants to know what Palmer is doing, but Jimmy doesn't seem able to find words, he just smiles. Abby wants acetone and band aids, FAST.

Kate is riding shotgun with Gibbs driving and she has tracked Samantha's cell phone back to Teaz. Gibbs calls for DiNozzo, who is snoring in the back seat. "I'll wake him up," sighs Kate. "No, no, I've got a better idea," Gibbs tells her. "Hold on." Gibbs floors it and then slams on the brakes. Fortunately, Tony had on his seat belt. Kate laughs while Tony mumbles something about a dream. Tony is to call Abby and see what she has for them.

In Abby's lab, Abby is lecturing McGee saying that he didn't have to yell at Mr. Palmer, now he's terrified of McGee. McGee finds that cool. Abby is lifting the prints from the bruise on the right arm and she's wondering if He-Man (McGee) has found a match for the prints from the left arm. McGee tells her he will apologize to Jimmy later just as a match pops up on the monitor. The print belongs to one of Hitch's bouncers, Richard Blue McGinty.

Tony has the information and relays it to Gibbs who floors it and leaves rubber behind.

In her dressing room, Samantha is having second thoughts about her dream. Hitch sent Blue to get her and Blue tells Samantha it's a little late for that.

The team pulls up to the club and head inside.

In Hitch's office, Hitch has discovered that Lulu isn't a talent scout after all but rather a Navy cop. Samantha says she didn't tell them anything, but Hitch pulls a gun from his desk and aims it at her.

The team is tracking her in the club using her cell phone, while Samantha is trying to convince Hitch that she isn't playing any games with her. He doesn't believe her. Hitch tells Samantha that's exactly what Summer said, did she know Summer was dead. Samantha doesn't answer, but her face gives her away.

The team hears two gun shots as they go up the stairs to enter the club. Their progress is slowed by all the dancers running from the club away from the gun shots. In the office the team finds Blue standing over Bulldog's body with Samantha in the background. Blue says Bulldog was going to kill Samantha, he didn't have a choice. Blue drops his weapon and Kate goes over to protect Samantha.

Gibbs walks in to Abby's lab with a Caf-Pow and wants to know the status of the evidence, has it gone to Norfolk yet. McGee and Abby are working on it, but there is a small problem. Summer's DNA does not match the DNA found on the outside of the condoms. They did get a partial match on the DNA from the Armed Forces DNA database, however. It's a 70 percent match.

In the hospital, Samantha is talking to her father, telling her how proud of her he will be, how everyone will know her name. Her father is telling her that he has always been proud of her and how he wished that he, no, we, would be around to see it. Manda always loved her singing. Gibbs and the team are there and they need to talk to Samantha, outside. Her father only has a few hours left to live, so Samantha wants to get back to him. Gibbs tells her this is not about Blue, but about her. They know Summer didn't set her sister up. What they don't know is if Samantha was going to split the money with Blue or use it to make a demo tape. They know everything, Manda told them. Manda's DNA is the near match to the DNA on the condoms and only a sibling could have that close of a match.

Samantha set up her own sister. They used the GPS chip in her phone to place her at the scene of both her sister's and Summer's murders. "Setting up Ian Hitch was a nice touch," Gibbs admits. It gets Samantha out of the record contract, plus she gets all of her father's money when he dies. The look of puzzlement leaves Samantha's face and instead she just looks annoyed. "She's dead and still screwing with my life," she says. "Go say goodbye to your father," Gibbs tells her. "If I were you, I'd keep lying to him."

Back in her father's room, he tells her that he always believed in her, that she's going to make it, she'll be famous, he can feel it. Then the flatline sounds and he is gone. "That's right, Daddy," she tells him. "I'm gonna be a real star." The scene ends on a shot of Gibbs' disapproving face looking in from the corridor.

An Eye for An Eye

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Guest Stars: Carlos Lacamara (Joe Tabaraz), Madison Mason (Marine Lt. Colonel Bushnell), Mark Adair-Rios (Iggy Mejia), Cleo King (Della Robinson), Daniel Jay Shore (P.O. Benny Horlacher), Tania Raymonde (Anna Real), Virginia Reece (Allison Donovan), Kristin Proctor (1st Lt. Susan Ellsworth)
Production Code: 02017
Summary: When a Petty Officer working in the Intelligence receives a pair of blue eyeballs in the mail, the NCIS team starts investigating the case. The sailor commits suicide during the investigation, which leads the team to one of his lecturers, who is working for the CIA in Panama.



Beginning: A mailman puts a box in a mailbox of an apartment complex while a woman walks by while talking on the phone. She stops by her mailbox and takes out her mail, including the box and opens it while continuing to talk on the phone. When she opens the box she sees a pair of eyes and screams and drops the box.

In Autopsy: Ducky and Palmer examine the eyes. Gibbs walks in and asks what he has found so far. Ducky then asks where they came from and Gibbs says they were sent to a Petty Officer and the mailman put it in the wrong box. Ducky then says that the eyes were well

preserved with the expertise of a surgeon.

In the Squadroom: Tony is sitting back in his seat and Kate thinks he's sleeping with his eyes open. He says he's meditating and Kate asks if it's about how much he drank the night before or if he's trying to remember a dates name. He says he doesn't kiss and tell, and McGee finds it hard to believe and says he knows more about Tony's sex life than his own. Tony then says that McGee doesn't have a sex life, and Kate says they should find out more about the package. Gibbs walks in and asks if anyone has anything for him and Kate mentions a donation firm. Gibbs then asks her if they are missing a pair of blue eyes and she says no. McGee then says that he contacted the post office and he's running the tracking number from the barcode. Gibbs then stands up and looks at Tony who is laying back in his chair. Tony then tells Gibbs the package was addressed to a Petty Officer on a 72 hour leave due back the next day. He also says he's a student at the Navy and Marine Corps Training Center and he's been living at that

address since the year before and that nothing stands out except for a speeding ticket and he didn't pay his cable bill the week before. Gibbs then says glad that at least someone is working. Kate tells Gibbs that nobody had reported the eyes missing, and McGee says where the package was shipped from and Gibbs starts to head out. Kate asks Tony how he knew the info and he says to work smarter not harder. Tony then tells McGee to find out what ship the package was on and tells Kate to hurry up.

At the Apartment Complex: A woman tells the team that this isn't the first time the mailman put the mail in the wrong box, and that she once got a video of college girls flashing the week before. Kate asks the woman when the last time she saw the Petty Officer was, and the woman says a couple of days before. Tony then asks her what she can say about him and she says he quiet, he keeps to himself and he has a girlfriend. Gibbs then asks if him and his girlfriend live together and she says she can't tell and that she thinks he made her a key. She says it's a violation of the lease, but she looked the other way. Gibbs then asks her if they can look at the Petty Officers apartment. The woman was so shaken by the contents of the box that she says yes and then she notices that Gibbs isn't wearing a wedding ring and offers to watch that video of college girls with him. Tony then tells the woman that Gibbs is indeed single.

Inside the Petty Officer's Apartment: The team looks around and discovers that his girlfriend is dominating the apartment. Tony finds some evidence of him while Kate finds the girlfriend's clothes and questions her taste. The Petty Officer walks in and Gibbs introduces himself and explains why they are there. He says he's never been to where the package came from and he broke with his girlfriend the month earlier. He also says he doesn't know anything about eyes.

At the Apartment Complex: Kate mentions that there is open lipstick in the bathroom, and that the girlfriend is definitely living there. Gibbs then tells Kate and Tony to survey the Petty officer and starts walking when his cell phone rings. It's Abby and Ducky, Gibbs keeps walking while talking on the phone.

The Phone Call: Ducky starts talking, but then stops and tells Abby to go first and Abby tells Gibbs that the eyes are female. Ducky then says that the woman lost her eyes involuntarily. He then mentions that she was most likely poisoned and died of cardiac arrest.

In Abby's Lab: Ducky thinks that they lost the connection, Abby points out that Gibbs hung up. She then tells him he can finish telling his story to her.

In the Car: Kate looks out the windshield with binoculars and tells Tony to wake up. Tony is already awake, and Kate asks him to turn the heat up. Tony then says he can't because the exhaust will give away their position. Kate then says that she's really cold and Tony says they should press their bodies together with her naked and she says there is not enough liquor in the world for that. Kate then mentions she needs a vacation to a place warm with no cell reception and Tony mentions the tropics. Kate agrees and watches the Petty Officers window when the lights go out. They then hear gunshots and rush over to the apartment and clear the place weapons drawn and notice the girlfriend dead and a revolver on the floor.

In the Petty Officer's Apartment: Ducky examines the body and concludes the body is of a trans-sexual. He also concludes the weapon was held directly over the heart and that the death was instantaneous. Kate concludes that she was a woman trapped in a man's body and killing herself set her free.

Bikini Wax

Season 2

Episode Number: 41

Season Episode: 18

Originally aired: Tuesday March 29, 2005 on CBS
Writer: David North
Director: Stephen Cragg
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Guest Stars: Jon Sklaroff (Jonathan Redding), Tamara Craig Thomas (Lisa Kerr), Lochlyn Munro (Kevin Holt), Larry Cedar (Jason Kaplan), Tasha Dixon (Gina Shepard), Nicole Pano (Yoga Tehnical Advisor), Sarah Prikryl (Tiffany Jordon (uncredited)), Amy Tipton (Liza Taylor)
Production Code: 02018
Summary: A petty officer who had just returned to her job is found dead backstage at a bikini contest. The team suspects that the victim may have had a stalker.



A Virginia Beach bikini contestant drowns in a public bathroom toilet. The officer was having an affair with her yoga instructor's boyfriend, and was drowned by the yoga instructor. Tony DiNozzo finds out about a juicy secret in Kate Todd's past. It turns out that Kate Todd was the winner of a wet t-shirt contest in 1994.

Conspiracy Theory

Season 2

Episode Number: 42

Season Episode: 19

Originally aired: Tuesday April 12, 2005 on CBS
Writer: Frank Military
Director: Jeff Woolnough
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Kevin Quigley (William the Truthteller), Jonathan Redford (Corpsman Timothy Morgan), Robert Ray Manning Jr. (Officer Alex Taylor), Jennifer Dundas (Lynn Simons), Molly Hagan (Audrey Vetter), Dan Ziskie (Captain Vetter), Brigid Brannagh (Catherine Reynolds), Dean McDermott (Lt. Allan Witten), Hilary Salvatore (P.O. Jessica Smith)
Production Code: 02019
Summary: The team investigates a suicide case, believing that the main reason of her death is a nervous breakdown, but Ducky believes that she was actually murdered. FBI Special Agent Fornell helps them in the investigation. The traces lead them to revelation that she was involved in a love triangle.



NCIS arrive at the petty officer's home to find her in a state of extreme anxiety concerned that somebody was after her and that she could hear voices. While Gibbs was trying to get her to talk, the Bethesda Psychiatrist responsible for the patient barged in upsetting the woman even more. She was taken back to Bethesda and sedated. Late in the evening she called NCIS saying she wanted to talk to them, but when they got there, they found her dead, apparently she'd hung herself with her bedsheets. However, back at the morgue, Ducky soon discovered she'd been smothered to death first and then hung to make it look

like a suicide. Abby gives a practical display of how it was done in her garage/workshop at NCIS.

Another lead on this case was the petty officer's CO who was being investigated by the FBI, for getting himself rich on naval money through government contracts. NCIS couldn't get info on the case, so Gibbs took payback on Fornell (Gibbs a few episodes earlier had helped him get out of a tight spot when he was being framed). Turned out the CO had been having an affair with the girl and that the plan had been to use the money when he got divorced from his wife. Meanwhile it seems the petty officer had told her sorrows and plans for the money to a fellow inmate at Bethesda psychiatric wing who in turn told another.

The voices the murdered girl had been hearing were created through a radio receiver/broadcast setup hidden behind a ventilation grille in her house.

Red Cell

Season 2

Episode Number: 43

Season Episode: 20

Originally aired: Tuesday April 26, 2005 on CBS
Writer: Christopher Silber
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Jesse Heiman (Frederick Pippin), Ryan Jeffrey (Kyle Zolin Chase), Kaj-Erik Eriksen (Frank Smith), Judd Trichter (Hunter Huxley), Jon Wellner (Simon Frankel), Floyd Van Buskirk (Rodney Garrison), Marie Dellegrazie (Ashley Simmons), Amy Tipton (Liza Taylor), Jeffrey Wincott (Marine Gunnery Sgt. Leeka), Sherman Augustus (Marine Cpt. Daniel Lemay), Matt DeCaro (Chief Daryl Bello), Troian Avery Bellisario (Sarah), Billy Aaron Brown (Man in Mask/Donny Potter)
Production Code: 02020
Summary: A marine is found murdered on the school campus, and the NCIS discovers a suspect immediately. However, they are back at zero point when they find the suspect murdered. Tim & Abby discover a trace in the e-mails, called "Red Cell," which leads them to believe that the marine must have been involved in a serious death game.



A marine is found murdered on the school campus with bruises all over his body. They have a suspect, another marine who has gone missing. They start getting cryptic messages which leads them to their only suspect's body. Tim and Abby discover a trace in the e-mails, called "Red Cell," which leads them to a group of marines who play with paint ball guns around campus. The marines in this group lead the team to a girl who both the dead marines knew. As Tony and Kate take the girl out to the car she explains that the Gunnery Sergeant was making her sleep with him and she had told the two dead marines and they had

gone to tell him to stop and they had ended up dead. Kate and Tony rush back to the room with Gibbs and the Gunnery Sergeant in only to find it locked and hearing a fight in the room kick down the door only to find that Gibbs has subdued the Gunnery Sergeant and he tells them to arrest him.

Hometown Hero

Season 2

Episode Number: 44

Season Episode: 21

Originally aired: Tuesday May 3, 2005 on CBS
Writer: George Schenck, Frank Cardea
Director: James Whitmore Jr.
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Alicia Coppola (Lt. Cmdr. Faith Coleman), Anne Judson Yagher (Emmy Pole), Shashawnee Hall (Police Chief Walen), Zack Ward (Police Officer Billy Krieg), Vincent Angell (Bruce Webb), Elizabeth Connors (Kathy Webb), Paul Rae (Steve Hager), Matt Bushell (Marine Lt. Rob King), Jaime Ramos Hosea (Marine Lance Cpl.), Matt Funke (Seaman Justin Dobbs), Amanda MacDonald (Norah Webb), Tim Barraco (Service Technician)
Production Code: 02021
Summary: When a young Marine is murdered in Iraq while saving people's lives, a body of a young woman is found between his belongings in his hometown, and he is considered a murderer. Gibbs believes that he is innocent and decides to prove it.



The episode opens with a young woman being let into a storage locker by the manager. The locker is rented by a friend not her. She is looking for a photo of his mother so he can be buried with it. To the woman's annoyance the manager is interested in buying the truck. He moves a tarp in the bed revealing skeletal remains.

Tony comes in, very upset because he thinks his car has been towed and he keeps being put on hold. Abby comes up to talk with Kate about their weekend plans. Much to Tony's interest they are going to a spa. Before they head to the crime scene, McGee notes that Petty Officer

Dobbs (the actual renter of the storage locker) was killed in Iraq and is up for a Silver Star. Ducky IDs the body from the locker as Nora Webb, a friend of the young woman (Emmy Pool) and PO Dobbs. She went gone missing their senior year, and the police had always suspected Dobbs was involved. Ducky estimates the time of death was around when she went missing. Lt Cmdr. Coleman arrives at NCIS to see Gibbs. Sec Nav wants JAG involved because Dobbs is up for the Silver Star and they want to make sure they don't award it to a murderer. Coleman and Gibbs butt heads, of course. Coleman passes on orders from Sec Nav: the team has 24 hours to solve this, which means no spa visit for Kate and Abby.

Kate and Gibbs go to talk to the local LEOs who say Nora was last seen leaving a party with Dobbs. They then head to the nursery her parents run. Meanwhile, Abby is missing her spa time

and happily discovers Palmer knows massage. Tony catches him, headslaps him, and chastises him about sexual harassment. Abby and McGee tell Tony that he acts like Gibbs when Gibbs isn't around. Bringing her Caff-Pows, turning off the music, deeper voice, staring at her—but he doesn't have the right stare. The 24 hrs is up and Lt Cmdr Coleman is pushing for a resolution, if they don't have a result PO Dobbs' star will have to be withheld. Ducky has concluded that Nora Webb was strangled and convinces Gibbs to follow his gut. Gibbs wants to call in Emmy Pool because he feels she is hiding something. However, he is too late; the police have found her with her wrists slit.

LEOs don't want to hand over the apparent suicide to NCIS, but allow the team to look around. They say she had been depressed and on meds since Nora Webb went missing. Gibbs tracks down Lt Cmdr. Coleman to buy them some more time. He is waiting for her at her car when she finishes her morning run and convinces her to let Ducky examine Dobbs' body in order to delay the funeral and the necessity of deciding about the star. Tony and Kate have gone to talk to Nora's parents again. Her mother is helpful, explaining how hard it has been, particularly on Emmy Pool. She mentions selling the nursery and moving on. Abby has excitedly discovered that the plastic Nora's body was wrapped in has only been manufactured for 4 months, so the body must have been moved recently. She is hoping the news will please Gibbs enough for her and Kate to get some spa time. Unfortunately, Lt Cmdr Coleman relays that Sec Nav has decided not to award the Silver Star.

McGee and Gibbs realize that the person who dumped the body could have used someone else's code to gain access to the locker (Dobbs' had only been used once) and start checking the surveillance tape. Meanwhile, Lt. Cmdr. Coleman comes in to help, she wants to be around if the team pulls off a miracle. They recognize Nora's father on the tape and Abby learns that fertilizer was found on the body. Tony and Gibbs go to arrest him. He confesses that he and Emmy Pool were having an affair and Nora found out. He killed her before she could tell her mother. Petty Officer Dobbs can now receive the Silver Star. Lt. Cmdr. Coleman asks Gibbs to go to the funeral and ceremony with her, he agrees. At the end of the episode, the team is watching a car chase on TV and it's Tony's car. He is devastated when it crashes.

SWAK

Season 2

Episode Number: 45

Season Episode: 22

Originally aired: Tuesday May 10, 2005 on CBS
Writer: Donald P. Bellisario
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Tamara Taylor (NCIS Special Agent Cassie Yates), Steven Eckholdt (Navy Cmdr. Dr. Brad Pitt), Kelsey Oldershaw (Navy Nurse Lt. Emma Ingham), Mariette Hartley (Hanna Lowell), Olivia Burnette (Sarah Lowell), Ty Upshaw (Security Guard), Bibi Amos (Receptionist), Rizwan Manji (Dr. Pandey)
Production Code: 02022
Summary: When Tony opens a mysterious letter thinking it's for him, a small puff of white powder comes out, releasing a possible deadly virus. Kate calls for help and as a precaution, she and Tony are isolated in a bio-hazard isolation room. While McGee and Gibbs are determined to discover who sent the envelope and how to cure their friends before its too late for them, Tony's health gets worse.



As they enter the office, Tony is teasing Kate about having a cold and trying to give her remedies. He tells her about "socky bombing" and then is appalled that she's never heard of it. McGee chimes in that he hasn't either. Tony laments that he works with a pair of "wankers" just as Gibbs walks in and says, "And you make three, DiNozzo." Gibbs asks Kate about her cold and tells everyone he's never had a cold or the flu. Tony remarks to Kate, "If you were a bug, would attack Gibbs?"

McGee's handing out the mail and holds up an envelope with a kiss on the seal. Tony snatches it from his hand, saying that he recognizes the lips and the scent. He slits open the end, blows on the envelope to open it, and white powder erupts in his face. Gibbs climbs onto his desk and orders everyone to evacuate. Kate notifies security, and McGee reminds everyone of what to do as Tony rinses off his hands and head. After everyone has evacuated, Kate calls out, "Let's hit the showers, Tony!" Tony looks up and replies, "I thought you'd never ask!"

As the team showers, Tony wonders who would send him Anthrax, to which Kate replies, "Pick a girl, Tony!" Tony laments the burning of all his name brand clothing. McGee tries to cheer Tony up by saying that the powder might not be Anthrax, it could be small pox, bubonic plague, cholera. Tony interrupts him before he can go any further, and McGee switches to other less-harmful powders—foot powder, face powder, talcum powder. Suddenly, Tony remembers honey dust, a gift he gives to women at Christmas time. Gibbs chimes in that "it makes a woman's skin

feel silky smooth" and when kissed tastes like honey. He received a box of it last Christmas with no card. Tony winces, and admits that the post office must have screwed up, giving Gibbs honey dust instead of a bottle of Jack Daniels. Kate suddenly remembers that the post office irradiates their mail, and if it has DNA, it dies. Tony thinks he's off the hook, but Gibbs brings him back to reality by saying, "Unless the post office screwed up again!"

In the autopsy lab, the team is getting their blood drawn while Gibbs is chastising McGee for not giving him the letter. Kate reminds him that Tony snatched it from McGee's hand. Gibbs tries to leave autopsy, but Ducky won't let him. Gibbs hollers that he's been scrubbed, sanitized, and maybe even sterilized, but Ducky is adamant. The medical team comes in to collect Tony, and Gibbs insists that Kate go along as well, since she's fighting a cold. Kate and Tony leave, arguing as they go.

In her lab, Abby gives a sample of the powder to the CDC, then puts a sample through one of her machines. She cartwheels around her lab while waiting for the results, which Gibbs sees via the monitor in autopsy. Abby tells Gibbs it'll be a couple of hours before she's able to determine the identity of the powder.

At the naval hospital, Tony remarks to Kate that her urine is too dark, which completely disgusts Kate. A Dr. Brad Pitt introduces himself and makes a joke about his name, which makes Kate laugh. As they follow the doctor to the isolation room, Tony remarks that Kate would have elbowed him for a joke like that, and Kate obliges him with an elbow to the stomach. In the isolation room, Tony and Kate are introduced to Nurse Emma, with whom Tony immediately starts to flirt. The doctor informs them he's starting them on prophylaxis, which causes Tony to snicker. Annoyed, Kate tells him that it's for the prevention of disease, and Tony replies, "That's why I use 'em!" Nurse Emma begins to laugh, and Kate admonishes, "Don't encourage him." Tony follows Kate to the bed next to hers in order to annoy her, but the doctor suggests that they maintain some distance.

Back at NCIS, Abby is discussing the letter with Gibbs, telling him it's SWAK—Sealed With A Kiss. She asks Gibbs if he ever got a love letter, and Gibbs returns with the question, "Does a 'Dear John' letter count?" Abby replies that she feels sorry for Gibbs. She discovers that the letter has a return address. Gibbs tells McGee to use Ducky's PDA to make a note of the address and sends Palmer to get replacement weapons and cell phones. Palmer asks, "Pistols?" Annoyed, Gibbs yells, "No, Palmer! Crossbows if you think they'll work better!" Gibbs orders Abby to open the letter, and she discovers a very unique, traceable paper with calligraphy writing on it. Meanwhile, McGee exclaims to Gibbs that he can't find Ducky's PDA, to which Gibbs yells, "It's a pad and pencil, McGee!" Gibbs asks Ducky to read the letter. As he does, they learn that the powder was a genetically altered strain of *Y. pestis*, which in Latin means plague. This particular strain would cause pneumonic plague since it was breathed into the lungs. Abby counters that it might not be alive since it needs constant moisture, and McGee remarks that it also would have been irradiated by the post office. Gibbs reminds McGee that he received honey dust!

By reading the letter further, Ducky discovers that the *Y. pestis* has been altered to be antibiotic-resistant. He also discovers that an antidote will be made available if NCIS will make public the results of a certain case. Suddenly, Abby exclaims, "Uh oh." She found a moisture strip inside the envelope. Ducky remarks that the incubation period is less than a day, and that it usually kills in 12 hours. McGee discovers that he can't access the case file they need, so he and Gibbs leave autopsy, despite Ducky's objections.

At the naval hospital, Tony remarks that he feels like the king of cool, and Kate groans, knowing that he's thinking of a movie. Tony explains that Travolta is the king of cool, and he starred in the movie "The Boy in the Plastic Bubble." Kate pleads with Tony not to tell her about any more movies. Tony agrees, then proceeds to talk to Nurse Emma in the observation room about the movie.

Gibbs and McGee enter Abby's lab in bubble suits, so as not to contaminate anyone or anything. McGee uses Abby's computer to look up the case and discovers that it was a rape case. Gibbs wants to talk to the investigating officer, but they can't because it was Agent Pacci, who's now dead. Gibbs reads that the case involved a senior college student who was raped at a hotel where a crew of midshipmen was staying. However, DNA evidence cleared all of them. The case was never solved. Ducky calls up Cassie to help them since she was Pacci's probie.

As Gibbs and Abby study the office surveillance video, they realize that Tony came back late. Gibbs remarks that Tony always does his best work at night. Abby continues to examine the

letter and discovers that there's a SWAK on the inside of the letter as well. Gibbs orders her to irradiate the letter and pull it out for a closer look.

Tony ponders whether the UV lights in the isolation room are actually helping. Kate argues with him, and he eventually relents. Kate then asks Tony if he's afraid. Tony scoffs, asking if she's ever seen him act afraid. Kate admits that she hasn't, but they're used to dangers that they can confront. She comments that anyone with half a brain, then stops and says, "Never mind. You're not afraid." Meanwhile, the doctor comes into the observation room to inform Nurse Emma that Tony's blood is infected with *Y. pestis*.

In the lab, Abby runs a test on the lipstick and discovers that the predominant ingredient was lead, which explains why the bacteria was protected from the post office's irradiation. As she examines the letter, Cassie arrives, and Ducky informs them that everyone's blood is fine except Tony's, and he doesn't have much time. Cassie catches up on the investigation and she says she knows who they're supposed to think sent the letter.

As the doctor examines Tony, they realized they played each other in basketball—Michigan vs. OSU. Nurse Emma informs Kate that Tony's been infected, and the doctor breaks the news to Tony that he has the plague. Kate yells at Tony that only he would get a disease from the Dark Ages. Tony asks why she's so upset, and Kate confirms that she's infected, too. Tony is deeply sorry. Kate promises to make his life hell for this. Tony comes back by bringing up some movies having to do with plague, and Kate returns an insult by informing Emma that Tony thinks speaking Italian turns women on. She walks away, sneezing, and Tony yells, "If I catch your cold, I'll be very pissed!" Tony asks the doctor if Kate will be okay.

Back at NCIS, Cassie rehashes the details of the case. She was permitted to interview the victim, but the woman had traumatic amnesia. It was the woman's mother that accused the sailors; the mother was and still is the head of a pharmaceutical company with the best microbiologists working for her. Gibbs sends Ducky to Bethesda to check on Kate and Tony and leaves with Cassie to find the mother.

The doctor questions what Kate is doing staying with Tony; after all, she might get infected. Kate insists that Tony needs hope. Tony hollers out, "Did you tell Dr. Brad about the wet t-shirt contest?" Kate counters with "Did you tell Nurse Emma about the transsexual you tongued?" Embarrassed, Tony argues, "Never happened." He begins coughing up blood and his breathing becomes labored.

As Gibbs and Cassie enter the pharmaceutical company, Gibbs instructs Cassie to serve the warrant while he shoves his Sig in her face. They make their way into the mother's office where she is waiting for them. She remarks that it's about time and insists that they re-open her daughter's case and admit that a midshipman raped her daughter. Gibbs warns her that this dramatic act will send her to prison for the rest of her life. When he sees that she doesn't care, he realizes that she's dying. She wants the truth to help her daughter heal, or she won't give the antidote. Gibbs lies and says they don't need the antidote because the post office destroyed the bacteria. He arrests the mother, and she gives up the name of the doctor who made the bacteria. Gibbs races to his lab.

At the hospital, Tony is getting worse, but he's still making jokes. Kate remarks to Emma that his humor's always been sexist, juvenile, raunchy. Emma interjects, "Funny!"

The microbiologist tells Gibbs that there's no antidote, but once a person's infected, the bacterium dies after 32 hours. However, the damage is done, and the person has only a 15% chance of survival.

Tony has developed full-blown pneumonia and is becoming cyanotic. He apologizes for torturing Kate and asks why she's not sick. She remarks that she's stronger than him, and he argues with her that she is not until he begins coughing uncontrollably. The doctor orders Kate to leave. Kate leaves, crying, and sobs in Ducky arms that Tony is dying. Gibbs comes in to tell everyone that the bacteria is dead and orders Tony to listen; he will not die. Gibbs lightly taps Tony on his forehead and repeats the order, to which Tony agrees. Gibbs leaves, giving Tony his new cell phone, and suggests that he change the number since women keep calling for 'Spanky.'

Gibbs meets Cassie and the victim, Sarah, at another hospital, where he discovers that the mother went berserk in the car, so Cassie took her straight to the hospital. Apparently, the tumor in her brain is making her crazy. Sarah apologizes and says she tried to tell her mom that it wasn't a midshipman because they were all cleared. She insists that she still doesn't remember. Gibbs gives her a penetrating stare and asks, "Are you sure?" In a very unsure voice,

Sarah replies, "Yes. . ." Cassie looks at her and states, "You know, don't you?" Sarah breaks down and confesses that she wasn't raped at all. She was at the hotel with her boyfriend, and he tied her, naked, to the bed, then left to get food. He never came back because he was killed in a hit and run. When she was discovered, she made up the story to save herself and her family from embarrassment.

At the naval hospital, Kate asks to sleep in the isolation room with Tony. She thinks Tony's asleep, but Tony mumbles something about how this reminds of the end of the movie "Alien." Kate laughs.

Twilight

Season 2
Episode Number: 46
Season Episode: 23

Originally aired: Tuesday May 24, 2005 on CBS
Writer: John C. Kelley
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sasha Alexander (Special Agent Kate Todd), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Rudolf Martin (Ari Haswari), Alan Dale (NCIS Director Tom Morrow), Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Benjamin Parrillo (Rex Eberlee), Sasha Mazime (Virginia State Police Officer), Ryan Culver (Navy Lt. Curtis Janssen), Westfall Shane Conrad (Navy Lt. Dean), Shane Conrad (Navy Lt. Dean Westfall), Frank Cranston (NSA Officer)
Production Code: 02023
Summary: A group of serial terrorists seek revenge and send Ari (guest star Rudolf Martin) on an assignment to kill Gibbs. The NCIS team goes on a hunt after him, but when they discover that Ari has a second plan, it is already too late. . . the NCIS team will have to face the death of one of their team members. . .



Two men are killed in a car, one of which was in the Navy. The team are called in only to find that there is a bomb attached to the car and they run for it and Tony only just makes it out. They investigate this and Gibbs goes out for a coffee and meets Ari. Ari tells Gibbs how he is meant to kill him but if he can find a terror cell that he won't. Ari has left a bomb under the table and when he leaves Gibbs takes it and runs round the corner and throws it into a dumpster before it ex-

plodes. When he gets back to headquarters he finds that Fornell has already been there and told the team that Ari is after him. The director wants to talk to him and tells him that he is not following Ari but sticking to investigating the deaths of the two men. The director also puts Gibbs under protection under the authority of Kate. The whole team stay at headquarters that night. The following day they find that there is a terrorist cell planning to bomb several ships coming into port that day with thousands of people waiting for their families to come home. They also find that Ari is the leader of the terrorist cell and used the hands of one of the dead men to get access to a weapon that they activate. Gibbs phones Ari and Abby gets his position. The team race to an area with old warehouses in. McGee stays by the car to try to disarm the weapon and Gibbs, Kate and Tony go into the warehouse. There is a gun battle and they make it onto the roof where Gibbs has to shoot the control for the weapon to stop it as someone has shot through McGee's computer. Kate then sees a shooter about to shoot Gibbs and she jumps in front of him and takes the bullet. Gibbs and Tony kill the shooter and then go and see whether Kate is OK. The bullet was caught by her vest and they stand her up. Ari gets onto a roof top a couple of buildings away and gets a clear shot and kills Kate just after they have stood her up. It finishes with Tony and Gibbs trying to see who shot Kate and where from.

Season Three

Kill Ari (1)

Season 3
Episode Number: 47
Season Episode: 1

Originally aired: Tuesday September 20, 2005 on CBS
Writer: Donald P. Bellisario
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Pancho Demmings (Gerald Jackson), Alan Dale (NCIS Director Tom Morrow), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard)
Guest Stars: Sasha Maxime (Virginia State Police Officer), AJ Tannen (Mossad Agent), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Production Code: 03002
Summary: After the terrorist's attack, the NCIS team is shocked and is trying to cope with Kate's sudden death, each in their own way. Now, their mission is to collect all the possible info on Ari and find a way to stop him before he does any more damage. Meanwhile, while feeling guilty over Kate's death, Gibbs is informed that the NCIS director is leaving, and the replacement is Jenny Shepard, a woman Gibbs worked with in the past and had a romantic history with.



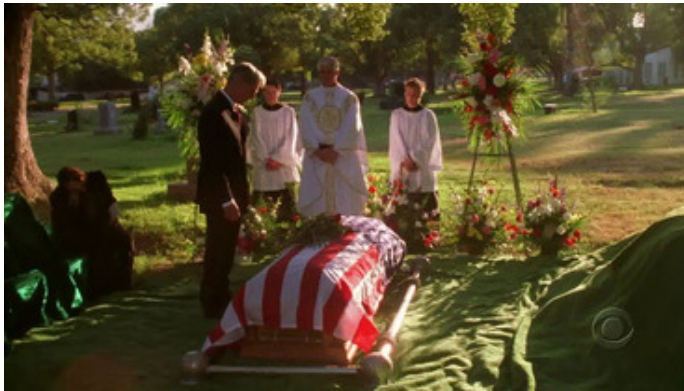
All three remaining agents (Gibbs, Tony, and McGee) as well as Abby and Ducky "daydream" about Kate while trying to get leads on Ari. They "talk" to her, but it's all in their imagination. Tony and Ziva get off to a bad start when she walks into the bullpen when he is "talking" to Kate. Viewers are left with questions about Ziva's loyalty when Ari calls her and they talk about personal things. There are also serious questions raised as to whether or not Ari was the one who killed Kate. Gibbs thinks otherwise when it is shown that Ari is leaving his brass behind and it turns out that the sniper gun used is the one Gibbs used to use as

a marine and its nickname is 'Kate'. Ari calls Ducky and tells him he's holding Gerald hostage again. Ari says he didn't kill Kate, and he wants to have a chance to prove it to Ducky. He says if Ducky will come meet him, he'll let Gerald go. Ducky gives his word he will come, but when he is walking towards Ari and Gerald, you can tell someone has a sniper's scope on him. This episode was a two-parter, and the audience is left wondering what will happen to Ducky and Gerald.

Kill Ari (2)

Season 3
Episode Number: 48
Season Episode: 2

Originally aired: Tuesday September 27, 2005 on CBS
Writer: Donald P. Bellisario
Director: James Whitmore Jr.
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Pancho Demmings (Gerald Jackson), Rudolf Martin (Ari Haswari), Alan Dale (NCIS Director Tom Morrow)
Guest Stars: Gloria Votsis (Dana), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sasha Alexander (Deceased Kate Todd)
Production Code: 03004
Summary: Still stressed over Kate's death, Gibbs is even more hurt when Ari kidnaps Ducky and decides to play with his mind. Gibbs sends Tony to follow Ziva, and after Jenny and Gibbs are almost shot to death, he is even more determined to finish once and for all with Ari, and Ziva's strange connection to Ari will be just the help that he needs.



Ari is at it again! He kidnaps Ducky to get Gibbs off the trail of his accomplice, who tries to help Ari get away. Gibbs decides to use the new Mossad Agent Ziva David to his advantage. She is Ari's control agent in the Mossad. For some reason, Ms. David is very passionate about Ari's innocence in the tragedy of Caitlin's death. Ari sends a decoy sniper to get Gibbs off of his trail. Gibbs catches on and sets up a trap for the terrorist. He actually gets a bet going with Ziva and tells her that if she'll help him set it up, and

Ari doesn't show, he'll give up the chase. Fortunately for Gibbs, Ari shows up and admits to killing Kate just to cause Gibbs pain. He says Gibbs reminds him of his own father who didn't care about him except to make an agent out of him. He trains the gun on Gibbs, ready to shoot and suddenly a shot echoes from the top of Gibbs' basement stairs. Ziva is there, and has shot Ari. At this time, we find out that Ziva is actually Ari's half-sister. While she escorts the body to Tel Aviv, Gibbs races to the funeral of Caitlin Todd. The episode ends in a way that is bittersweet. It leaves the viewer sad that Kate is gone, yet knowing that her killer got what he deserved and they can move on with peace that her death was avenged.

Mind Games

Season 3

Episode Number: 49

Season Episode: 3

Originally aired:	Tuesday October 4, 2005 on CBS
Writer:	George Schenck, Frank Cardea
Director:	William Webb
Show Stars:	Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo)
Recurring Role:	Stephanie Mello (NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner), Jessica Steen (Special Agent Paula Cassidy)
Guest Stars:	Chad E. Donella (John Briggs), Tom Wright (I) (Warden Sam Kelleher), Scott Williamson (Virginia Governor Charles Norin), Christopher Shyer (Kyle Boone), Lawrence Monoson (Adam O'Neill)
Production Code:	03001
Summary:	Gibbs is ordered to talk to a convict that is about to be executed, in order to discover information about the place where he hid his victims, but when the plan doesn't work, the team must solve the case in their own way.



Gibbs is ordered to re-interview a serial killer, Kyle Boone, who is on death row and about to be executed. Two of Boone's victims have been found, but he claims to have killed 22; he now claims to want to reveal the location of the other bodies, but only to Gibbs.

Gibbs detests Boone, and it is suggested that Gibbs' then-wife left him because of his obsession with the Boone case. In fact, Ducky says that Boone's mind games changed Gibbs; prior to this case, Gibbs acted more like DiNozzo.

Also appearing in this episode is Special Agent Cassidy, who is working with the team for a week. She is not allowed to sit at Kate's desk because, according to DiNozzo, it is "still Kate's desk".

While interviewing Boone, Gibbs meets Boone's lawyer, O'Neill, and Briggs, a man who is writing Boone's biography. Boone is not in a rush to tell Gibbs where the bodies are, even though Gibbs tells him he only has 2 minutes to talk. Boone instead asks about Gibbs' (ex-)wife and Kate. Finally, Gibbs learns that Boone had a scrapbook containing photos of his victims, which the team finds inside the chimney of his family's old farmhouse. Boone, excited about this development, asks to see his scrapbook again, but Gibbs refuses.

By analyzing the photographs of the numerous young women in the pictures - there are more than 22 - Abby and McGee are able to ascertain the location of Boone's dumping ground. McGee, DiNozzo, and Cassidy head there, finding a clearing amongst trees with no cell phone reception. When McGee finds a skull and Cassidy finds a new body with Boone's signature (a heart shape cut into the victim's back), Cassidy runs to the truck to call Gibbs. Gibbs is able to hear her despite some static, but after the call, Cassidy is knocked unconscious by a shovel and thrown into the trunk of a car. The kidnapper took a Polaroid of her and left the photo on the NCIS van, which DiNozzo and McGee are dismayed to see.

The team now believes that there is a copycat killer working with Boone who has killed the 4 most recent victims in Boone's scrapbook. Therefore, they search the record of Boone's visitors at the prison and find a likely suspect - Briggs, the man who is writing Boone's biography. The team finds his location by tracking the GPS chip in his cell phone and intercept his car. Unfortunately, Cassidy is not in his trunk. Instead, she is in an abandoned farmhouse with O'Neill, Boone's lawyer. When Cassidy asks him how Boone convinced his lawyer to become his replacement, he laughs and says that he sought Boone out so that he could learn from him. O'Neill lunges at Cassidy with a knife, but she dodges his blade and attempts to fight.

In the NCIS interrogation room, Gibbs threatens to burn Boone's scrapbook unless he reveals the location of Cassidy. At first, Boone appears extremely distraught, but he later laughs and says that he does not need the scrapbook because he has the images in his mind. Gibbs, filled with anger, puts a gun to Boone's head; however, he realizes that it has been Boone's plan all along to get Gibbs to murder him so that Gibbs' life would be ruined. Instead of harming Boone, Gibbs orders that Boone be taken back to prison. Boone taunts Gibbs as he is being led away, saying that the copycat killer is cutting out Cassidy's tongue at that very moment. However, Gibbs surprises Boone by showing him that Cassidy is alive and well in the NCIS office, albeit bruised and with her arm in a sling. Upon seeing this, Boone begins to scream and tries to break free, but he is unsuccessful.

Silver War

Season 3

Episode Number: 50

Season Episode: 4

Originally aired:	Tuesday October 11, 2005 on CBS
Writer:	John Kelley, Joshua Lurie
Director:	Terrence O'Hara
Show Stars:	Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role:	Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars:	Jason Grutter (Camera Man), Byrne Offutt (Judd Kearns), Burnadean Jones (Sally Smith), John Berg (General Grant), Larry Clarke (Director), Robert Blanche (Brett Willis), Barbara Niven (Dr. Elaine Burns)
Production Code:	03005
Summary:	When a corpse of a man is found inside a tomb that comes from the Civil War, the team discovers that the victim, a Sergeant, was buried alive. During the investigation, Abby tracks down the last phone call of the victim. Meanwhile, Gibbs is informed by his new boss Jenny Sheppard that agent Ziva is now a full-time NCIS agent.



This episode begins with Dr. Burns of The Smithsonian Anthropology Lab discovering a Civil War-era tomb. All this is being filmed because of its antiquity and it being sealed and unopened. Once opened, the Dr discovers that the tomb isn't really ancient, because the body has been buried with a cell phone, certainly something not of that time (as one of the cameramen remarks)

The team is called to investigate, with new member Ziva observing. McGee and Tony are taking photos (with a statue of

a bear) when Gibbs enters, prompting all to share what they have found out. Ziva asks why she has a hole in her hat, in which Gibbs replies, 'It's for ventilation'. Ziva requests to drive back, so she can feel as if she has been of some use, we see her driving skills, or lack thereof. Tony and McGee are frightened, with Tony eventually throwing up on McGee. They later switch drivers to Tony.

Back at the office, McGee does his usual computer-tech searches, and finds a receipt which matches the dead corpse's bank account receipts. Tony and Ziva get another lead from Abby to search the construction site in which the tomb was found for any evidence, and find nothing. Ziva comes back all dirty, as Tony made her do all the work, but she can't shower until she leaves for home (As Gibbs tells her)

Back to the receipt lead, McGee and Ziva are able to get the deposit box of the dead soldier, and in it find some interesting artifacts. They are also given a video of 'the brother' who has been inquiring about the box, but the bank has never allowed 'the brother' access to it. In the box, a mummified hand with an old ring is attached, and a treasure map. As they prepare to leave the bank, McGee and Ziva are stopped by a tourist asking for directions. (This is Judd Kearns, a member of the same civil war club, who needs the map in order to find the treasure.

He doesn't seem to know about the ring, which is a good thing – as it will lead the team to the same destination!)

Back at the lab, Abby is processing the cell phone that was found with the staff sgt, and finds that the last call is just random numbers. McGee and Abby find that these numbers weren't really random but rather a text message. Tony is stuck finding out what Oxbow and Kearns mean, when McGee remembers it was on the missing map. Gibbs is angry that that map has been stolen, to make matters worse, no photo was taken. At this point, we are shown how skilled Ziva really is, as she has reconstructed the map from memory. According to her, 'At Mossad, officers who fail to observe generally don't last long.' Abby is a little jealous when McGee compliments how talented Ziva is, but is back to work when she starts to process the hand and ring. Ducky and Dr Burns (who has taken a liking to Ducky) try to understand the history of the ring, and realize it might belong to a wealthy family in Manasses.

The team, with Dr Burns head off to Manasses Battlefield Park, where the Civil war re-enactors are gathering. At the park, Ziva, Ducky and Dr Burns head off to look for the buried treasure. Gibbs, Tony and McGee find the person from the bank video (the brother) who makes a run for it. He claims he knew nothing about the staff sgt's death and that he was only paid to be 'the brother'. Ziva and the Dr's are having better luck as they find the site. Ziva proceeds when she hears people talking and tells Ducky to call Gibbs for backup. Ziva's backup does not arrive because Ducky hasn't called him.

We find out that Dr Burns was behind it all, together with the two men who are unburying the casket filled with civil war guns and weaponry. They killed the staff sgt, because he found the map and casket and wanted to give it to a museum. Dr Burns, however, killed him before they could get the map. Dr Burns is holding Ducky hostage, but again Ziva's training allows her to kill Dr Burns AND detain the two men. Tony remarks 'Remind me not to piss her off.'

Back at the office, Ziva is sitting in Kate's old desk. She finds Kate's drawings of the team and tells Gibbs that 'Kate wouldn't mind' – meaning Ziva is now part of the team and she should sit at Kate's old desk. In the next episode, we see that she has now moved from the desk at the back, to Kate's one at the front.

Switch

Season 3

Episode Number: 51

Season Episode: 5

Originally aired:	Tuesday October 18, 2005 on CBS
Writer:	Gil Grant
Director:	Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars:	Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role:	Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer – Asst. M.E.)
Guest Stars:	Andrew Caple-Shaw (P.O. Jerry Smith), Wil Bethel (P.O. John Kirby), Merritt Wever (Wendy Smith), Vern Urich (Nervous Man), Maria Bertrand (Young Woman), Richard F. Whiten (Police Lt. Jody Hampton), Geoffrey Lower (Navy Cmdr. Robert Morris)
Production Code:	03003
Summary:	When a non-commissioned officer is shot to death on the freeway, the NCIS team takes upon the investigation. The first lead, a fact that the victim was leading a double life, takes them to a possible solution of the crime, but the tables are turned when the victim's dying message is discovered and it leads them to a totally different clue.



Petty Officer Jerry Smith is driving down a highway, talking to his wife on his cell phone. She is asking him about plans for their 6-month anniversary, which he does not seem to care very much about. Suddenly, Smith is shot through the neck, and his car veers off the road and down a hill.

Back at the NCIS office, McGee is worried over some unauthorized purchases made under his name, and he wonders if his identity has been stolen. Ziva walks

in late because she took the wrong bus, which does not please Gibbs. In the elevator, Gibbs sternly tells Ziva that she answers to him, not the director.

At the scene, McGee and DiNozzo cautiously make their way down the hill to Smith's crashed car. Jimmy Palmer is not so cautious and tumbles down the hill, spraining his ankle. Ziva is assigned to interview Smith's wife, Wendy, even though Ziva says she is not good with women. Wendy is upset that the last thing she did was call her husband a bastard, which she cannot take back. She cries on Ziva's shoulder, and Ziva awkwardly pats her on the back.

Gibbs visits Smith's workplace and speaks with his commanding officer, Commander Robert Morris. Morris says that Smith cannot possibly be dead because he is currently there at work. The team first thinks that the man who died in the crash must have been an imposter, but after checking fingerprints, they find that the dead officer is indeed P.O. Jerry Smith, and the man working with Morris is P.O. John Kirby, some of whose past assignments coincided with Smith's.

Upon questioning, Kirby admits that he and Smith switched places because Smith slept with a high-ranked officer's wife. This would not have been a problem, but Smith's upcoming assignment was under that officer, who happens to be Commander Morris. While this seems like motive for murder, Morris says that he was at work at the time of Smith's shooting, and security video confirms his alibi.

Meanwhile, Abby finds strange emails in Kirby's account. Ziva recognizes the simple messages of a location and time as being indicative of a drop of some sort. McGee disguises himself as Kirby and goes to the meeting spot specified for that day's drop. A woman approaches him with a suitcase and further instructions, but when the real Kirby shows up, Kirby and the woman take off running. The woman gets away, but Kirby is arrested, and McGee is able to hold onto the suitcase. Kirby says that he does not know what is in the suitcases - he just does this delivery job for the money and has been told to never open the suitcases. The team considers the possibility that Smith's murder is connected to Kirby's shady delivery job.

However, it is discovered that Wendy Smith was not actually in her home when she was talking to her husband over the phone during the shooting - her home calls had been transferred to her cell phone. When she is confronted with this information, she confesses and says angrily that her husband even cheated on her on their wedding day.

Back at Abby's lab, the bomb squad has destroyed Kirby's suitcase in an explosion. Gibbs tells Abby to put it back together and find out what was inside it. Abby is frustrated by the idea of this task, which could take months, but Ziva volunteers to help, trying to initiate a friendship with Abby. However, the mystery of the suitcase is never resolved.

The Voyeur's Web

Season 3

Episode Number: 52

Season Episode: 6

Originally aired: Tuesday October 25, 2005 on CBS
Writer: David North
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role: Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Stephanie Mello (NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Colby Paul (Skateboard Kid #1), Malik Kirkwood (Skateboard Kid #2), Mikki Padilla (Leanne Roberts), Marty Papazian (Sgt. Jake Roberts), John Bentley (Capt. Arthur Caldwell), Bradley White (Bart Powell), Nat Faxon (Carter Finch), Brittney Powell (Jamie Carr), Michael Bellisario (Charles Sterling)
Production Code: 03006
Summary: The NCIS team takes upon a strange case - a Marine's wife was murdered live on the Internet. The investigation reveals that two housewives were running a live Internet sex site and now they are both missing. While looking for them, the team will try to track down the webmaster and solve the alleged murder case.



Opening up in typical NCIS fashion, we get our first glimpse of the crime. A masked woman is kneeling on her bed doing a little striptease for a webcam audience. A viewer asks her, via his keyboard, to "take it all off", but she tells him to be patient and goes back to her little tease. The viewer then sees a black figure in the doorway to the bedroom, behind the woman. He tells her to turn around and look behind her, and when she does, the figure attacks her, slits her throat, and turns the webcam to show her body.

Tony, on the phone trying to get a table at an exclusive restaurant for his date's birthday, has just come to realize that McGee has been tricked by Ziva into giving her personal information on Tony. Tony then receives the obligatory smack to the back of the head by Gibbs and the team is off to their new case: A Sergeant's wife, Leanne Roberts, is missing and the police think that she's been abducted. No one has seen her in three weeks and the back door of her house had been kicked in.

Ziva is sent to survey the neighbors, McGee to get the equipment, and Tony and Gibbs begin to look around the Roberts' home; the victim's husband, Sergeant Jake Roberts, is in Iraq. Gibbs finds a clean spot on the carpet in the bedroom and tells McGee to "break out the luminal".

Ziva looks through a yard sale next door as she asks questions of the neighbor, Bart Powell, a "domesticated house husband" whose wife is also in Iraq.

Ziva walks into the crime scene where the rest of the team are looking for clues and sniffs the air. She announces that she smells Havier Christian #5, a \$2000 an ounce perfume, a little

on the high side for a housewife. McGee enters and reports that he found blood drops out back under bags of mulch when he abruptly stops and looks around the room as if trying to remember something. He realizes that he's seen the room before, says his girlfriend emailed him a video clip with this room. The clip showed a woman supposedly being murdered live on the internet. McGee assumed it was a hoax or a badly filmed snuff film.

Cut to Abby's lab where they have the video playing. Abby says that she can find no signs of tampering or special effects. This video came from victim's computer where they also find out that she's been running a sex site from her bedroom. Anyone logged onto the site during the murder could have emailed out the video clip, which could be any of hundreds or thousands of members who paid to access the site. There was another housewife featured on the site, Jamie Carr, a neighbor of the Roberts'. The team goes to her house to question her.

McGee beats himself up about not reporting the video, whether or not he believed it was real. No one home at the Carr's residence and it seems to have been empty for a while. The team hears a crashing and a low wail come from the house, so they force their way into the house to see a cat jumping around the living room and growling low. Upon further inspection of the house they find it is empty otherwise, but they do find blood on a broken glass table.

2 crime scenes, 1 website, 50,000 hits a day to the Naughty, Naughty Neighbors site. Gibbs wants the names of all members of the website, where the money collected from the site is, and sends Tony and Ziva to interview the webmaster, Carter Finch.

Ducky and Parmer are in the autopsy room using video stills of the murder to "autopsy" the victim. Ducky concludes that the murderer was an amateur, and cut too shallow which would cause the victim to die slowly and painfully.

Tony and Ziva find Carter Finch in his basement room of his mother's house. They both find that fact very amusing as Finch is in his late 20's or early 30's; that and his extensive Star Wars collection and his deep attachment to it. Finch says that he knew nothing about the murder or the video, and hadn't heard from either Leanne Roberts or Jamie Carr in a month as the website "practically runs itself".

Abby with her PhD in porn learns that she is not nearly as flexible as she should be and the date and time that the video was recorded. Abby reports to Gibbs that Leanne Roberts was murdered 8 days ago. Gibbs leaves and as Abby goes back to watching videos, a man quietly enters and startles her. It seems that rather than give her a raise for doing the work of 10 people, NCIS has assigned Abby a new assistant, "Charles Sterling reporting for duty". Abby excuses herself to call Gibbs to complain. Gibbs asks Director Shepard to get rid of him; she says to "give it a month".

McGee is getting frustrated because he cannot trace the money made from the website. The team is interrupted with the news that they found the body of Jamie Carr. Off they go.

The body was found in the trunk of a car in a junkyard. No idea on time of death yet, though cause of death was a compound fracture of the skull and her throat was cut AFTER she was dead. McGee gets stuck with the search effort to find Leanne Roberts' body, possibly somewhere else in the junkyard.

Abby's still watching porn videos, Ziva's freaking out about her computer. McGee comes in with a knife he found at the junkyard, possibly the murder weapon.

Gibbs gets a videoconference with Sergeant Roberts' Captain. He says that Roberts requested emergency leave and was planning to kill Bart Powell whom he thinks initiated the site. Roberts has already reached the States.

The team gets to Powell's house and Roberts is beating and threatening to kill him on his front lawn. Gibbs takes Powell in to NCIS.

Gibbs shows Powell a video of him in the Roberts' house. He admits that he had an affair with Leanne Roberts. Gibbs says that it's more like blackmail. Sgt. Roberts had received a letter in Iraq from his wife saying that Powell found out about the website and threatened to tell her husband if she didn't sleep with him. Powell denies it all including the murders. Powell, it turns out, has an airtight alibi. Back to square one.

McGee finds the money, finally. Turns out the money was going into an account that belonged to Carter Finch's retirement home-bound grandmother. He had emptied the account and walked away with close to a half of a million dollars.

Abby and Sterling watch the video looking at the murder weapon; it doesn't match the knife found in the junkyard or anything else that she knows.

The team tracks Finch to a hotel using an online auction site that he was using to sell some of his Star Wars memorabilia but had closed the auction early, as he "no longer needed the money". That is still the case as the team finds him dead in the hotel bathtub. Tony recognizes the scent, though, as the same perfume that they smelled in the Roberts' bedroom. They also find red hair dye residue in the drain. They find Leanne in the parking lot, a redhead, and handcuff her just as Abby calls and tells Gibbs that the knife is fake, something that you can buy at a magic store. Leanne had staged her own death, but Gibbs already knew that.

Honor Code

Season 3

Episode Number: 53

Season Episode: 7

Originally aired:	Tuesday November 1, 2005 on CBS
Writer:	Christopher Silber
Director:	Colin Bucksey
Show Stars:	Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard)
Recurring Role:	Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard)
Guest Stars:	Susse Budde (Laura Osgood), Joseph Castanon (Zach Tanner), Michael Reilly Burke (Frank Connell), Michael Bellisario (Charles Sterling), Dominic Pace (Vincent Pazzo), Jack Stehlin (Navy Cmdr. Harry Wilder), Brian Fitzpatrick (Willis Hirst), Paul Webster (Lt. Cmdr. Alex Tanner)
Production Code:	03007
Summary:	When a 6-year-old boy informs the NCIS team that his father was kidnapped, the team discovers that the missing father is actually a Lt. Commander working on a secret project named Honor, and that he is the only one who has the code that can open the project. While Gibbs gets closer with the boy, the rest of the team discovers that the project has been hacked in and the information inside has been deleted. Is the missing man innocent or is he actually the guilty one?



The episode opens with a little boy heading for the carousel in a fun park, his father trailing behind with balloon, backpack and fairy floss (sugar candy). The boy asserts that balloons are for babies but that his Dad should mind the other things during his ride. When on the carousel, he keeps looking at his father so he sees two suited men approach his father and take his father away. When the carousel stops, he races over to where his father was standing, but only the fairy

floss and backpack are left behind. Our view is from above, and the red balloon floats into the lens of the camera. CREDITS ROLL

In the squad room, Gibbs gives the alert for the team to move, because a Navy Commander is missing. Ziva questions the speedy response and is told that the 6 year old son of the commander called NCIS and is waiting, alone, in the fun park.

DiNozzo gets to the boy first and begins to reassure him, making statements to the boy. He gets no response. Gibbs arrives and DiNozzo tells Gibbs that the boy is in shock. Indignant, the boy replies No I'm not and points out that he was waiting for DiNozzo to actually ask a question. Gibbs suppresses a smile, sits beside the kid and asks what questions was he waiting for. The child points out that what did you see? would be a good start. The child gives a comprehensive description, from a child point of view, including noting that the baddies were wearing Ipod earphones but only in one ear. Gibbs and Tony confer, as it sounds like feds but Gibbs points out that not even the CIA would leave a child alone in a park. McGee arrives and reports to Gibbs

on getting security tapes. Gibbs tells him to contact the child's mother. Transpires that she died in a car accident. Gibbs says then next of kin. McGee reports that there is no one else. They take the child to NCIS HQ.

At the squad room, Gibbs gets reports. The missing man was working on a secret project, details not given over unsecured line. Ziva brings in the picture done by sketch artist, noting that the child has remarkable powers of observation. She tells Gibbs that social security have arrived for the child: Gibbs tells her the difference between social services and social security. Gibbs goes to the child, Zach, to tell him that he has to go. The child has already spotted the social workers and guessed who they are and why they are there. Zach points out that he can look after himself, and Gibbs smilingly says that he doesn't doubt that (and clearly doesn't. This is a smart and unsentimental kid). Gibbs cajoles Zach into going with the social workers but kneels to give Zach a business card, telling him to call Gibbs at any time.

The team visit the commander's place of work which is in chaos, with power failures and a computer hacking crisis. Their top secret project, Honour which is about encryption and computer security, has been hacked. The harried bosses reassure the team that there is no problem as the last line of defence is that the Commander has the code keys memorised. The team break the news that the Commander is missing, presumed kidnapped.

Tony phones the news to Gibbs, who is in his car on his way to drop off Zach's Ipod to social services, because he had left it on Gibbs' desk. Gibbs then gets a second phone call, this time from Zach. Gibbs assumes that the child is phoning about the Ipod but Zach urgently tells him that the villains are outside social services and that Gibbs must come quick because these men know where his father is. Gibbs tells Zach to wait but Zach yells that they are getting away and races after them. By the time Gibbs gets there, they are about to nab Zach and kidnap him, but the child delivers an elbow to a vulnerable spot on his kidnapper and scuttles away to Gibbs, who starts shooting at the villains' car, shattering the back window.

Gibbs takes the child back to NCIS HQ and puts him in protective custody. Jen manages to keep control of the case with NCIS, although every federal agency wants to claim it as the Honour project breach of security threatens the security of all computer networks in all agencies. The security on the project is so tight that it is assumed it must be an inside job, and the papertrail starts to show that the Commander moved his assets prior to his kidnap.

The team start to confront the question as to whether the commander disappeared by prior arrangement and is a traitor, or whether he truly was kidnapped under threat of harm to his child (hence his willingness to leave with the villains). Gibbs' gut says that the Commander must be innocent and a victim. He points out to Jen that all you have to do is look at the son.

The main interest is the relationship between Gibbs and Zach, which is instantly strong. Zach so resembles Gibbs in manner, reserve, cold logic and disdain for childish behaviour that everyone notices, including Gibbs. Abby says to Gibbs that Zach is a mini-Gibbs, to which Gibbs responds by saying are you calling him a mini-me?, astounding Abby with his pop culture reference to Austin Powers films.

Tony, fondly imagining that he is good with kids, proceeds to patronise Zach who suffers it with patient disdain. Ziva finds this hilarious. Zach manages to remember enough of the villains' number plate for the team to be able to track down the vehicle. When they raid it in a parking lot, they discover one of the villains dead inside, executed by the other villain after having been injured in the shootout with Gibbs earlier.

The staff take turns looking after Zach, but it is Gibbs who takes him home, and shows him how to work on the boat. Zach asks the question as to how Gibbs will get the boat out of the basement. Gibbs says he has never really thought about it, but he could tear down a wall and build a ramp. Zach is reluctant to work on the boat because he doesn't want to get it wrong, so Gibbs gets behind him and guides his hands as to how to see the grain in the wood and work with the grain. Gibbs exhibits the same patience that he always shows to Abby.

Jen visits to try to persuade Gibbs to recognise that the prime suspect in the Honour code breach is, in fact, the commander. Zach, having been sent upstairs to get a soda so that Jen could talk to Gibbs privately in the basement, has crept back to the top of the stairs and listened in. When Jen denounces his father, Zach emphatically speaks up for his dad, tearfully declaring that he knows that his father is innocent. Gibbs points out to Zach that there is evidence against his father, but Zach says he knows his father is innocent because he can feel it in his stomach. Gibbs knows better than to dispute gut feeling.

Back at HQ, Ziva eventually gets some intel from her Mossad connections that reveal that the villains were mercenaries in Bosnia who specialised in torture and that the commander has been kidnapped and framed. Therefore, they assume that the Commander is being tortured for his code key. The race is on to find him after Ziva educates McGee about how no one can withstand true torture-based interrogation, and says how she can get information from suspects in a matter of mere hours.

Abby and McGee and DiNozzo collectively have a breakthrough when a secretary (who caught Tony's eye) from project Honour is spotted on CCTV as having purchased phones used in the kidnap arrangements. Ziva, McGee and Gibbs go to her workplace where she is interrogated with a view to speed of finding the Commander. This means that Gibbs takes McGee out for coffee and lets Ziva question the woman alone. When McGee asks Gibbs what Ziva is doing, Gibbs' look tells McGee that, really, he doesn't want to know. The woman, who had been defiant, is a nervous wreck by the time Gibbs and McGee return from coffee, pleading not to be killed. Gibbs is sanguine about this, whilst McGee looks disturbed. Like the viewer, they are wondering just what Ziva did to get such a result so fast. The woman gives the location of the torture chamber and the team arrive there in the nick of time, killing a villain (who inexplicably started shooting through a closed door, indicating his position, and then opened the door, giving a perfect shot to Gibbs, the sniper). The injured, exhausted commander says he has revealed the secrets, because the villains had brought him proof that they had his son. The proof was the Ipod, which is now in the torture chamber. Gibbs realises that the only person who could have obtained it is the best friend of the Commander, who had visited Zach at NCIS HQ, giving Zach a game player to distract him from the Ipod. Next scene, they nab the best friend who is a traitor on all levels.

Finale is Zach and Gibbs, standing side by side looking out the big window in the NCIS squad room, with Gibbs drinking coffee from big cup, and Zach drinking milk, both passing time. Zach is downhearted that he was duped by his father's friend and ponders how he could have let the friend deceive him. Gibbs kneels, wipes away Zach's milk moustache and points out that sometimes bad people can be very convincing. When asked whether he has ever been duped, Gibbs replies ruefully that it has happened more than once. Zach declares that when he grows up he will get the people who did this to his father and Gibbs gives a wry grin and says that he believes Zach will. At this point, Zach's dad arrives and the serious 6 year old suddenly becomes a jubilant little kid and flies into his (injured) father's arms, declaring that he knew his Dad would come back and saying I love you, Daddy. Gibbs is left, alone, watching from the sidelines and we see a flashback of him working on the boat with Zach and then another, older flashback of a younger Gibbs working on the boat with a little girl.

Under Covers

Season 3

Episode Number: 54

Season Episode: 8

Originally aired:	Tuesday November 8, 2005 on CBS
Writer:	Lee David Zlotoff
Director:	Aaron Lipstadt
Show Stars:	Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard)
Recurring Role:	Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars:	Sonny Surowiec (C.K. Cord), Matthew Kaminsky (Henry Spivey), Michelle Krusiec (Maya), Phillip Rhys (Yussif), Eric Steinberg (Marcos Siazon), Michael Bellisario (Charles Sterling)
Production Code:	03008
Summary:	When bodies of two hired assassins are delivered to the NCIS team, Ziva & Tony go undercover assuming the victim's identities in order to find the person who hired the assassins for their mission. While working on the case, Ziva & Tony spend some quality time in a luxury hotel and the attraction between them arises. Gibbs discovers that his team is not the only one working on the case.



This episode begins with Ziva and Tony, in a hotel room, dressed to impress, and all alone. We are shocked to see Tony and Ziva head to the bed for some serious 'under cover' work as sexy, husband and wife assassins. (For those hoping for a Tony/Ziva relationship this is the closest episode to date where some serious lip locking actually occurs).

However, the opening as per the title suggests, is actually an undercover assignment. Tony and Ziva have to pretend to be an assassin hubby/wife team, because the real assassins are dead. They died in a car accident, using fake passports when Marine CID found them and heading for the annual Marine Corp Birthday. (This is how and why NCIS got the case) The team has no idea what to do, and need Ducky to give some Intel on the assassin's lives. As Gibbs puts it, 'they're (Tony & Ziva) working blind'. Back at the hotel, Ziva is massaging Tony, when we see that they are under surveillance. (We later find out this is the FBI)

Tony and Ziva are contacted by their 'client' to meet downstairs – with the NCIS team placing hidden cameras and listening devices in the room and in Tony's glasses. Downstairs at dinner, Tony is forced to eat left-handed (because the real Jean-Paul (assassin) was a lefty) – As they are eating dinner, photos of each person in the restaurant are sent back to Abby for background checks. Ziva gets a call from the 'client' and Abby is able to track the call back to the actual hotel, specifically the lobby. Unfortunately, the 'client' escapes.

Back at HQ, Director Shepherd wants to send in back-up for Tony and Ziva, but trusts Gibbs so decides not to. There are many Tony/ Ziva shots (of them making 'love') and of the FBI watching them. Ziva gets McGee to bring up her 'spy glasses', which senses the infrared light watching them. McGee and Gibbs are able to locate the room and bust in, showing the FBI agents.

Back at NCIS, Ducky tries to determine how the Raniers lived their lives. The wife had a broken wrist; the hubby had an appendix moved but nothing really helpful for the case. The only thing 'interesting' Ducky found was the tattoos on their marriage fingers – the sign for 'eternity'.

Gibbs calls T&Z, telling them what they know, and when McGee compliments Ziva's intellect for getting 'spy glasses, Abby vents her anger. Abby doesn't realize Ziva can hear her, because they didn't hang up!

After Gibbs and McGee crash the FBI's operation, Fornell enters, and starts yelling at Gibb's for 'straying into their jurisdiction' – they both go into Gibb's conference room aka the elevator, and we see that they are actually really good friends. They decide to work together to please both their bosses and to just get the job done.

At the hotel, Tony and Ziva are called by the 'client' to meet in the lobby to go to the destination. With the FBI on their side now, NCIS are able to get more men to cover exits, room's etc. to make the bust when they come out. However, Tony and Ziva never leave the hotel. In the elevator, the waiter (who is a baddie) jams their listening devices, when the real 'client' aka Marcos Siazon shows up. We find out he is also a contract assassin, with Abby asking 'Why would a killer hire other killers to do a hit for him?' The viewers realize that Sophie and Jean-Paul Ranier (aka Tony and Ziva) ARE the hits!

The Ranier's wanted to leave the assassin business, because she was pregnant. They had a disk, which had names of all their hits and clients. The disk was wanted by Siazon because in the wrong hands (esp the feds) it could be very dangerous. The disk is later found embedded in Sophie's eye socket by Ducky. At the hotel, FBI and NCIS arrest the 'baddie waiter', Marcos Siazon and co, with Tony saying that he wants a divorce from Ziva.

Back at HQ, Tony still has a headache (from the beating he took by Siazon's guards) and Ziva offers to drive him home. Director Shepherd, together with Ducky attends the Marine Corp B-day. Gibbs does not attend, opting to drink at his desk with the flask from his dead wife and daughter. Abby wishes him Happy B-day!

Frame-Up

Season 3
Episode Number: 55
Season Episode: 9

Originally aired: Tuesday November 22, 2005 on CBS
Writer: Laurence Walsh
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role: Stephanie Mello (Cynthia Sumner), Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Casey Weiant (Mina Campbell), Jarrod Crawford (Marine M.P. Sgt. Brooks), Randy Wayne (Grant Bridges), Elizabeth Bennett (Carla Johnson), Matt Malloy (George Pardo), Don Franklin (FBI Agent Ron Sacks), Michael Bellisario (Charles Sterling), David Brant (NCIS Special Agent David Brant)
Production Code: 03009
Summary: Tony is accused of murdering a woman whose body was found at Quantico, and the team must prove his innocence. All the possible evidence proves that Tony is guilty, and the team will give their best to set their agent and a friend free.



Female legs are discovered on Navy property and all scientific evidence points to Tony DiNozzo as having been physically in contact with the legs, including leaving a bite mark. The FBI, led by Fornell, has to investigate. Abby, the forensic technician processing the evidence, is distraught that her work would lead to Tony's conviction if the case went immediately to trial and she suffers doubt when her beloved forensics is obviously leading to a miscarriage of justice. Abby is aided in her work by Chip, her much

despised assistant. Tony's interrogation by FBI Agent Slacks is a study in nonchalance and grim humour.

Slacks becomes fed up with Tony's irresponsible answers to questions and leaves in disgust. Tony, alone in the interrogation room with nothing to do, entertains himself by playing an imaginary set of drums. The drumming provides the soundtrack to a film sequence showing the gathering of evidence against Tony, the tension ratcheting up. When it ends, we see Fornell telling Gibbs that the evidence is overwhelming and that he would be remiss if he did not take Tony into custody, as it would look like a cover-up. Tony is taken to gaol where he is visited by Gibbs, bearing pizza.

This leads to a much-watched scene where Tony converses with a silent Gibbs who acts as Tony's sounding board. At the end, Gibbs reassures Tony by beckoning him to the bars of the cell and providing him with a headslap, which comforts Tony. Gibbs has not spoken throughout the entire scene but we know what he thinks. The intensity of the scene is increased because

Tony engages in a mock self-interrogation which reveals much about Tony's background and dysfunctional family life. It is a notable piece of acting by Harmon and Weatherly. Whilst the FBI continue to gather evidence against Tony, his team-mates continue to try to work out which, of many possible enemies, has framed Tony. Forensic science eventually redeems itself, revealing the accomplice to the frame-up.

The ultimate revelation of the real villain as Abby's horrid assistant leads to a stampede to her lab, because they realize that Abby is in peril, yet again. The team races in, guns ready, only to find that the evil Chip has been trussed up with duck tape by a disheveled Abby, who merely pleads, in an "I-told-you-so" tone of voice, to be allowed to revert to working alone.

Probie

Season 3

Episode Number: 56

Season Episode: 10

Originally aired:	Tuesday November 29, 2005 on CBS
Writer:	Frank Cardea, George Schenck
Director:	Terrence O'Hara
Show Stars:	Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard)
Recurring Role:	Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer), Stephanie Mello (NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner)
Guest Stars:	Gary Sommers (John Benedict), Christopher Allport (Metro Police Cpt. Dan Karzin), William Gregory Lee (Metro Police Sgt. Keith Archer), Gary Sommers (Assistant)
Production Code:	03010
Summary:	While on duty, McGee kills a man who is later discovered to be an undercover police officer. When Jenny decides to approve the investigation on McGee, the NCIS team is forced to prove that McGee is not guilty, pushing Gibbs' relationship with Jen to the limit. Meanwhile, Tony is troubled by his past.



The team are on protection detail for an important member of the Navy who is trying to leave a building. Whilst making sure everything is secure McGee goes to the exit and sees a man arguing with someone in a car. He identifies himself and the man turns to him. McGee sees what he thinks is a gun and hears a shot fired and shot the man dead. When the team get to him he is crouching next to the dead man's body and the car has driven off. An investigation is started and the team find no gun and no bullet that

the dead man had supposedly shot at McGee. Then they find out that he was an off duty cop and Metro Police come in to talk and they want to interrogate McGee. Gibbs won't allow it. The investigation continues and the Metro Police also start an investigation. The next day McGee goes to the Police station to be questioned and while there he confesses that there was no gun in the man's hands. Gibbs tells McGee that he had let him down and that it was his fault. Tony and Ziva go back to the alley and find the bullet. They also find links to a Drug Lord. This leads them to the dead man's partner and McGee and Gibbs go to talk to him. The partner punches Gibbs and takes his gun out. McGee hesitates and Gibbs shoots the partner. He then tells McGee that if he ever hesitates again he will have his badge.

Model Behavior

Season 3

Episode Number: 57

Season Episode: 11

Originally aired: Tuesday December 13, 2005 on CBS
Writer: David North
Director: Stephen Cragg
Show Stars: Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Stephanie Mello (NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Judi Shekoni (Natalie Vance), John Pleshette (Tom Crawley), Mini Andén (Hannah Bressling), Kent Shocknek (Guy Ross), Eliska Amor (Keenya Desoto), Jeffrey Pierce (Marine Sgt. Michael McMannis), Wendy Braun (Cindy Sanchez), Gomez Warren (AV Tech)
Production Code: 03011
Summary: While filming a reality show on a Marine base, a supermodel dies and the NCIS team must discover who is the model's murderer. They discover a love triangle between the model and three other men, all suspects. Meanwhile, Jenny is disturbed by Gibbs when he doesn't want to attend an award ceremony in his honor.



Two women are asleep in their beds in a dorm room. Two men are watching them through a surveillance camera. They turn the camera towards a third bed, which is empty. One of the men presses a button and reveille blares out of a speaker system. Both women jump up out of bed and one screams "I can't take much more of this! You're driving us crazy." The other woman scans the room and asks where the third woman is. "Maybe she got lucky and escaped" the first woman says. We

hear pounding on the door and the first room jumps and says "They're coming." Both woman rush around throwing on clothes and opening the blinds on the window. The door slams open and a drill instructor strides into the room, followed by a film crew. To say he is unhappy with the women would be an understatement. As he screams at one of them, the other stands looking out the window. The DI asks where the third woman is. The camera goes to one of the women staring out the window. "Oh. My. God." she says, looking out at the third woman hanging upside down from the fence, dead.

The scene opens on a room full of NCIS people applauding as Jenny presents an award to someone. Cynthia announces the next award, the Meritorious Civilian Service medal, and Jenny calls for Leroy Jethro Gibbs. The room fills with applause and the camera moves in to Ziva who comments on Jenny's new haircut, calling it the elf look. Tony corrects Ziva saying it is called a pixie. Ducky thinks she looks "terrific." Ziva wonders where Gibbs is and Ducky informs her he's never come to an awards ceremony. "Even if he's the one receiving?" Ziva asks. "Especially if he's the one receiving," Ducky assures her. Cynthia calls for Gibbs and Abby informs McGee that

she knew he wouldn't show and tells him to pay up. McGee takes out a \$20 and asks if she has change. "No" Abby tells him as the bill disappears up her sleeve. Meanwhile, Tony is working his way up to the podium. "Nice haircut" he whispers to Jenny as he tries to take the medal. Jenny questions Tony as to Gibbs' whereabouts and is given a vague answer of working as Tony takes the medal from her and gestures at Cynthia who announces that Tony will accept the award for Gibbs. Tony tries to make a speech that starts out referencing the TV show *The Streets of San Francisco*, but Jenny cuts him off and the awards ceremony is over. The room begins to empty even as Tony waves a paper around telling them that he has a whole speech. Abby goes up on stage and gives Tony a hug.

Jenny is calling Gibbs on her cell as she walks into her office, demanding to know where he is. Her office door opens and Gibbs walks in talking on his cell, telling her he is right behind her. Jenny is not amused by this and informs him that Tony has his award. Gibbs doesn't care. "Somethings never change do they Jethro?" Jenny asks him as she plays with her hair. Gibbs does not pick up on the hint. He informs her he is working on a case, a high profile one that he need to inform her of before it hits the news. There is a dead super model, Taylor Shane, at Quantico. Jenny nudges him again about being at the awards ceremony and Gibbs again ignores her. Jenny then reminds Gibbs that the media will be all over this case and Jethro is to behave himself. Gibbs leaves the office and Jenny is left playing with her hair.

At Quantico, the team is unpacking the van. Tony and Ziva are discussing the reality TV show *Boot Camp Babes*. They differ on what is the most important thing they are learning. Ziva thinks it is how to defend your country. Tony assures her it is how to fire a machine gun in a bikini. McGee sides with Ziva on this one. Tony and McGee try to explain to Ziva that the models are not really joining the Marines, that it is a stunt like *The Simple Life*. Ziva has never heard of it and hearing that it starred Paris Hilton reminds Ziva that she has stayed there a few times. Tony remarks that he wouldn't mind spending the night there and Ziva sighs romantically saying that she often dreams about it. Tony and McGee exchange leering looks and Ziva wants to know what that's about. Tony tells her he's trying to picture her and Paris together and Ziva assures him that she is not attracted to blondes. The banter is stopped by the sight of a mob of reporters at the gate to Quantico and Gibbs, out in front of the team, striding towards them, coffee cup in hand.

Gibbs tries to get through the crowd of reporters without commenting, but they gather around him, shoving their microphones in his face, and shouting questions at him. Gibbs only repeats that he just got there until a reporter jostles him and makes him drop his coffee cup. Gibbs stands and looks at his coffee in a pool on the ground and informs the reporters that the interview is over. The reporter apologizes and says it was an accident but Gibbs doesn't care. He ducks under the crime scene tape and tells the Marine guards to secure the area. The reporters continue to scream questions at him, but they are completely blocked by a wall of Marine guards as Gibbs strides away from them.

Gibbs comes upon Ducky and Mr. Palmer examining the body of Taylor Shane. Ducky informs Gibbs that she's been dead for about 5 hours, but Gibbs is more interested in the how than the how long. Ducky points out several lacerations, none of which appear fatal. Mr. Palmer says "we'll know more when we get her back" and Ducky looks up from the body at him. Mr. Palmer quickly decides to go and get the gurney. Gibbs asks the Marine standing by who moved the body and he replies that he did. He is the liaison for the show and felt it wasn't in the best public relations interest to all the media to take pictures of Taylor hanging on the wire. The liaison has been trying to get a hold of the producer of the show, without success. Gibbs wants to know what Taylor was doing on the wire. The liaison says it was as if she was trying to climb over the fence, but that makes no sense because if Taylor really wanted off the show, all she had to do was say so.

Gibbs starts handing out assignments. McGee is to take photos and Ziva is to interview the models. Tony interrupts Gibbs to volunteer to interview the models and Ziva is more than happy to oblige. Gibbs, on the other hand, takes the camera away from McGee and tells McGee to help Ziva interview the models and hands the camera to Tony. Gibbs and the liaison officer go off to watch the taped footage. Ziva asks Tony if he would like her to get the models' autographs. Tony laughs, but drags a copy of GSM out and asks McGee to see if he can get them to sign it to "The Big D."

The two models are in their barracks trying to figure out what Taylor was doing outside.

Hannah thinks she was trying to get a bigger storyline by making a break for it. McGee and Ziva come in to interview them. Ziva asks the camera crew to leave and they do. The other women last saw Taylor at lights out. Hannah believes that Taylor would have done anything for more camera time, Natalie is offended by this. Hannah reminds Natalie that the cameras are off, so she can stop pretending she cares. Ziva is surprised that they didn't get along, as is McGee. The models remind him that they shoot the show 24 hours a day, he only sees 23 minutes of that.

Tony has finished up taking pictures and wants to go check on the models, but Gibbs insists that he ride back with the bodies. It is his job to make sure that the reporters don't follow the body. Tony isn't quite sure how to do that, but Gibbs tells him to improvise. Tony walks up to Mr. Palmer and asks for the keys, but Ducky has them, flipping them through the air to Tony who catches them.

Back in the barracks, the models have signed Tony's GSM to "The Big D" and are wondering if they can do anything else for McGee, like give his girlfriend some hair tips, looking at Ziva. McGee quickly assures them that they have all they need for now. McGee gives them his business card and asks them to contact them if they think of anything else that might be helpful. Ziva exits, telling them "it's called a business card. Maybe you can have one of the Marines read it to you."

Down in autopsy, Ducky is going over everything that didn't kill Taylor. No bones broken, no major arteries severed, her death was not caused by the razor wire. The tox screen shows angel dust in her system. "An overdose of PCP drove that poor girl flailing into that fence; she had a seizure, fell into a coma and died." Gibbs wonders if the overdose was accidental. "I doubt it," Ducky replies. "She had enough PCP in her system to kill a small water buffalo." "Water buffalo?" Gibbs wonders. "I tire of saying a small horse," Ducky responds. It might have been suicide. Gibbs reminds Ducky that they don't investigate suicides. Mr. Palmer is surprised to hear that. Ducky explains that "technically, no, but even the most obvious suicide is investigated by NCIS as a murder." "On a marine base, surrounded by cameras?" Mr. Palmer asks. "Yes. The stuff good mysteries are made of Mr. Palmer," Ducky chuckles as he resumes his examination of the body.

Jenny and Gibbs are watching the ZNN report on Taylor's death up in Jenny's office. Jenny fast forwards to the "good" part which shows Gibbs turning his back and walking away from the cameras, saying "I don't care" in response to a reporter stating that the public has a right to know. Gibbs insists that he was not asked that question. Jenny doesn't care, he shouldn't have given them anything they could manipulate. Gibbs also doesn't care, as PR is not his area. Jenny continues to lay into him about his attitude so Gibbs tells her he'll make it right if Jenny gets him that reporter's number. Will he apologize? No, he'll ask her out to dinner and with that Gibbs leaves Jenny's office. Jenny is not amused.

In the squad room, Tony and Ziva are also watching the ZNN report. Tony is providing commentary as Ducky arrives on the scene, saying he looks good, then here comes the autopsy gremlin and then a flash which Tony insists is his jacket. Ziva laughs and tells him it's McGee's jacket, giving Tony a light flick on the ear. Tony is not in any of the footage. McGee wishes he could say the same since the camera adds 10 pounds. Tony assures McGee that the weight was added by his refrigerator. Tony wonders if Gibbs watched the coverage. Ziva doesn't know about that but is sure the director did since Gibbs has been up in her office for the last half hour. Tony then wonders if anyone else thinks they (Gibbs and Jenny) were more than just partners back in the day. By the expressions on Ziva's and McGee's faces Tony realizes Gibbs is right behind him and covers by explaining they were talking about Cagney and Lacey. Not fooled at all, Gibbs slaps the back of Tony's head and asks for a report from the team.

Taylor Shane did a couple of stints in rehab. Her friends blame the boyfriend who has a record from drug busts. McGee is looking for him. Gibbs sends Tony and Ziva to interview the producer of the reality show. Gibbs wants to know how Taylor got a fistful of PCP during this reality show. Having seen the picture of the boyfriend, Tony wonders how he got a supermodel for a girlfriend. "They're shallow, he's wealthy, a perfect match," is Ziva's take on the situation. Then she remembers that Tony's from a wealthy family. That's different Tony explains since his dad cut him off when he was 12. "I had to earn all my dates the old fashioned way," he tells Ziva. "Begging?" she assumes.

Down in Abby's lab she's testing all sorts of snack foods. The testing is mostly done by lab equipment, but some is done by eating. Gibbs strides in carrying a Caf-Pow and good news. Her new lab assistant is starting on Monday. Abby protests vehemently that she will not have another lab assistant until she realizes that Gibbs is just pulling her leg. Abby did not find it funny. Gibbs

says it was to him, kind of, and gives her the Caf-Pow. Abby has figured out why no one heard Taylor scream. There were a couple of very long trains going by at the same time Taylor died.

Gibbs asks about Abby's new diet, and Abby explains that she's trying to figure out how the drugs got into Taylor's system. Ducky said there were no signs of IV usage and no traces of PCP in the lungs, so Taylor had to have taken the drugs orally. There were no traces of anything that would indicate the drugs were in pills, but there were traces of PCP in her stomach. There were also traces of the components of the snack cakes that Abby has been testing. Abby is trying to determine just which snack cake it was and tells Gibbs it's a lot of fun and reminds her of Bill Nye the Science Guy. This reference is lost on Gibbs who instead remembers Mr. Wizard. Abby has no idea who Mr. Wizard is. Pulling her back to the case, Abby tells Gibbs she found out two things. One, Abby likes cream filling. And, two, she knows which pastry had the PCP in it. As Abby takes a big bite of the pastry in question, she tells Gibbs they're looking at death by Klowny Kake. "That's good work, Abs," Gibbs says. Abby polishes off the Klowny Kake as she watches Gibbs leave.

Staff Sergeant McMannis is talking with Hannah, telling her that Taylor got along with everyone except for her. Hannah doesn't see the point of this inquiry. McMannis wants to know why Taylor committed suicide and thinks Hannah knows why. Hannah maintains she doesn't. McMannis presses and Hannah details what happened the night before. Hannah went to bed, Natalie snuck into the bathroom to puke three or four times, and Taylor decided to commit suicide. As far as Hannah is concerned, that's it. McMannis is not appreciative of Hannah's wit and gets right in her face. They are interrupted by the arrival of Tony and Ziva.

Hannah is sent out to the pull-up bars while Tony and Ziva speak to McMannis. They want to speak with the producer, Tom Crawley. McMannis tells him Crawley is not to be disturbed. Ziva doesn't care about that, she wants to discuss the OD of one of the stars of his show. McMannis is shocked to hear that Taylor OD'd. McMannis tells them that he knows Taylor had problems in the past, but she was definitely anti-drug now. She didn't even take aspirin. McMannis directs Tony and Ziva to Crawley's office.

Crawley is sitting in his office, staring at a picture of Taylor with tears on his face, when Tony and Ziva enter. Crawley calls Taylor his daughter, he became her legal guardian when she was 15 and they went through a lot together. Crawley insists that Taylor has been clean and sober for 2 years, there is no way she OD'd on PCP. Tony and Ziva remind Crawley that most addicts relapse and their relapses are brought on by stress so perhaps Boot Camp Babes was a bad career choice for a recovering addict. Crawley insists that the show was Taylor's idea and that she loved it.

The scene shifts to the pull-up bars as the camera crew tapes Hannah and Natalie working in skimpy outfits that certainly don't look like regulation Marine boot camp outfits. The models simply quit working and remind their DI and the camera crew that Taylor was the only one who took this seriously. Just then Crawley walks up asking if "he" was here. Hannah does not answer and Crawley grabs her arm. The DI intervenes saying Crawley is hurting her. Crawley doesn't care but Tony breaks in and tells them all to calm down. Ziva wants to know who "he" is. "He" is Noah Keller, Taylor's ex-boyfriend. Keller was there but neither Crawley nor McMannis knew about it. Tony asks McMannis to take Crawley for a walk so he and Ziva can speak to the models alone.

Hannah notices Ziva's drink and offers her \$100 for it. They haven't had anything but Marine food since the series started. Ziva tells her it is not for sale, but Tony takes it from Ziva's hand and gives it to Hannah, telling her it is free, just like love. Tony then starts spouting a bunch of stuff about how great the models are and how he loves their show. "Thanks, cutie" is the response. Ziva laughs at Tony and then asks why they didn't tell them about Keller's visit. Because Taylor asked them not to is the response. The models insist that Taylor was not taking drugs and that Noah just came to talk because they were having "relationship" problems. Taylor thought Noah was using again. Ziva informs them that someone gave Taylor enough PCP to kill all three of them.

Back at the squad room, McGee is trying to track down Noah Keller. Gibbs comes in and tells McGee to hang up the phone. McGee tries to explain what he's doing, but Gibbs takes the phone from his hand and hangs it up. Gibbs then tells McGee exactly where Keller is located. McGee wonders how Gibbs knew that and Gibbs glibly responds that he got an urgent call from the President. Actually, his AmEx records were in the fax machine. Gibbs and McGee gear up and

walk out of the squad room as McGee mumbles that he specifically told her to e-mail him those records.

Gibbs and McGee arrive at the Cranston Motel just outside of Quantico. It is not a 5-star hotel and McGee comments on that fact, since Keller is worth millions of dollars and has a super model girlfriend. Keller's car is there and that, at least, lives up to his reputation. As they walk up to his motel room, Tony calls to let Gibbs know that Keller was at Quantico the day before Taylor died. Peering in the motel room window, Gibbs tells Tony that he can see Keller as McGee knocks on the door. Gibbs tells McGee not to bother as the camera zooms in and we see that Keller is lying on the bed, most likely dead.

McGee is taking pictures at the crime scene while Ducky is talking about how tragic it is having to deal with two young people's deaths in 24 hours, both self-inflicted. Gibbs has no sympathy since Hannah died a much more violent death. McGee doesn't understand how they could have everything and still end up like this. "Well, wealth and fame have often gone hand-in-hand with fatal addiction. Edgar Allen Poe. Keith Moon." Ducky explains. "Kurt Cobain," Mr. Palmer throws in. "The list goes on and on," Ducky continues and then tells Jethro that Keller has been dead about 24 hours, meaning he OD'd shortly after Taylor did. Ducky points out the various body indicators of heroin OD instead of PCP and Gibbs finds a small packet of heroin confirming Ducky's preliminary diagnosis. McGee has found a letter, but it is not a suicide note.

In Jenny's office, she is reading the note that McGee found. It is a Dear John letter from Taylor to Keller, postmarked 6 days ago at the Quantico PO. The letter is in Taylor's handwriting. Jenny compares it to Romeo and Juliet, Gibbs differs a bit on the details. Jenny thinks the letter was hard for Taylor to write, again Gibbs disagrees, thinking it was harder for Keller to receive. "No one likes getting dumped by Postal Express." "Maybe he didn't listen. Relationships change. Some people don't know when to let go," Jenny responds. Gibbs just looks away. Jenny has to brief the CG of Quantico in the morning and she wants Gibbs there. Gibbs declines, saying they don't even have enough evidence, yet, to link the two deaths together. Jenny says she can't tell the General they have nothing. "You can always write him a letter" Gibbs says as he leaves her office.

Tony walks into Abby's lab where the music is blaring. He calls out to Abby several times, getting louder each time to be heard above the music. Abby leaps out from behind her computer monitors saying "TA DA" and holding a bouquet of black roses. They're for Tony who finds them quite, uh, black. Abby thinks that's cool. The card says get well soon because they didn't have a "sorry I almost sent you to prison" card. Tony reminds her that it wasn't almost, she did send him to prison. "Not for good," she says. Tony is at a loss for words but all Abby wants is reassurance that Tony doesn't hate her. "I could never hate you. I don't think anyone could ever hate you," Tony assures her. Abby tells him that she doesn't know Billy Bob and then we are treated to a long, tangled explanation of one of Abby's previous boyfriends, reminding us all that Abby really doesn't have the best taste in men. Abby presents Tony with the vase and reminds him to water them so they don't die. "I thought they all ready were dead" Tony responds.

"Laugh Now, Cry Later" Mr. Palmer reads off of Keller's tattoo. "It's an interesting concept, Mr. Palmer," Ducky says. "Unfortunately for our guest here the laughter has ended." "My friend who went to NYU said this guy was the club king of New York. He was almost legendary," Mr. Palmer explains. "Well, if he wasn't before he most certainly is now," Ducky chuckles. "Apparently he only hung out with models and A-list celebrities. This guy got the VIP treatment everywhere he went," Mr. Palmer continues as he looks at the body on the autopsy table. Gibbs comes in at this and wonders if Palmer is writing a gossip column. Mr. Palmer tries to explain what he was talking about to Gibbs, but simply ends up stammering and then moves away.

"Talk to me, Duck," Gibbs asks. "Our initial assumptions were far from correct. When I examined him just now I found fresh bruises on his upper back, the left shoulder. The x-rays indicated a severe fracture of the left scapula. And the clavicle was almost completely crushed." Gibbs asks if he was in a fight but Ducky doesn't immediately answer. He tells Gibbs with injuries of that type, Keller's left arm would have been completely useless. Someone else had to have shot him up. Ducky tells Gibbs that Abby determined that Keller's blood alcohol level was 0.34. With that level, Keller's heart was pumping so slowly that most of the heroin was not metabolized. Keller was unconscious when the drug was administered.

Up in the squad room, Ziva is watching footage of the models assembling weapons and laughing at them. Tony comes in bearing his vase of black roses and asks Ziva why she is watching

Boot Camp Babes. "It's called research, Tony" Ziva responds. Ziva is looking for a lead. "This is only the beginning," Tony continues. "Before you know it you'll be sitting at home eating a large box of chocolates, watching the Food Network on your 50-inch plasma." Ziva denies it and holds up McGee as an example of someone who was raised in America, yet watches very little TV. McGee agrees that he watches 20 minutes here and there. Tony is unimpressed, telling McGee to tell Ziva what he does with the rest of his time. McGee protests that that isn't watching TV. "He pretends to be a fairy in an online computer game," Tony tells Ziva. "It's an Elf Lord," McGee protests. Making a hand gesture, Tony says "whatever."

Gibbs strides into the squad room telling them that Keller didn't commit suicide, he was murdered. The team look at Gibbs as he sits at his desk. Gibbs half-stands and asks Tony and Ziva what they are doing still there. They are to find out why. McGee comes over to Gibbs desk to tell him he may have something. Gibbs looks up and says "Are you waiting for me to guess, Elf Lord?" Tony stifles his laughter. McGee tells Gibbs that the night before he was murdered, Keller received two calls from his business manager and a third call, from Hannah.

McGee and Tony are in the barracks interviewing Hannah. Hannah tells them she's known Keller since high school, they used to sneak into clubs together. McGee recognizes the name of the club she mentions, having to admit that he heard about it on "Wild On." Hannah tells them that Noah was always popular and, despite Tony's assumptions, it had nothing to do with his dad's money. Noah was charismatic and interesting. "Most men who come from money are womanizers who life revolves around their car," Hannah continues. Tony stares straight ahead while McGee pointedly looks at him during this exchange. Hannah admits to dating Noah off and on, but it ended when Noah hooked up with Taylor. As for the drugs, it wasn't one or the other, they started doing them together. Hannah says she didn't speak to him while he was at the camp; he was very drunk and upset, but she called him just to make sure he was okay. Hannah cannot imagine why anyone would want to hurt Noah.

Jenny is sitting at Gibbs' desk leaving him a message when Gibbs walks up and wonders what she is doing. Gibbs asks if she is playing agent again. Gibbs and Jenny spar about how well-informed he is keeping her and how involved in his case she is getting. Gibbs finally says "Trust is a 2-way street" and Jenny asks him if he is saying that he doesn't trust her. We see a flashback where Gibbs is being arrested by French police and Jenny sees him but just keeps walking. "Of course I trust you," Gibbs responds and then wonders if they're through. "For now" Jenny tells him and walks away. Gibbs turns away and reaches for what Jenny left at his desk, revealing a reel of tape.

Ziva walks into the squad room, telling Gibbs that it is a copy of a ZNN piece with a retraction of the story and a public apology "to one Leroy Jethro Gibbs." Ziva gets up from her desk and leans in to Gibbs face asking him if the director has friends in high places. "Something I can do for you, Officer David," Gibbs asks. Ziva tells Gibbs that Abby wants to see him.

Abby has been watching Boot Camp Babes footage from the night Taylor died and that Taylor was nowhere to be seen. Ziva remarks that Taylor knew where the cameras were and how to avoid them. Abby, of course, has found the one camera that captured Taylor, a Quantico security camera on top of the mess hall. Gibbs asks Abby if she can clear up the image, and Abby is happy to break out her brand-new video enhancer program. As it works its magic on the image, we slowly see that Taylor is walking around Quantico at 1am with Staff Sergeant McMannis.

McMannis is waiting in the interrogation room while Ziva waits impatiently in the observation room. Tony explains one of Gibbs techniques to Ziva, calling it "Rock the Baby." Ziva scoffs and asks if it works. Tony tells her to just wait and see, Gibbs will be bursting into interrogation in a few moments and that big bad Marine will jump like a little girl. At that moment, the door to observation bursts open and Tony jumps like a little girl as Gibbs walks in. Gibbs isn't going to be interrogating McMannis, and neither is Tony. Ziva is. Ziva reminds Gibbs that she has never interrogated anyone without inflicting some form of pain. Gibbs just looks at her, holding out the file. Ziva takes it and goes into the interrogation room.

Ziva is showing McMannis the footage of him and Taylor walking around at Quantico. Ziva walks over to the table and takes her chair and pushes it way over to the wall. Tony wonders about this interrogation technique, but Gibbs knows Ziva wants to remove herself from the temptation of touching McMannis. McMannis pulls out a tin and asks Ziva if it is okay for him to dip. He explains that he is trying to quit, but both he and Taylor were addicted to nicotine. Ziva finds the thought of a model that spits tobacco amusing. McMannis says, no, she smoked,

but it was against the rules of boot camp. Ziva asks if he supplied her with his snuff. He admits that. "And junk food?" Ziva continues. He admits that as well. "And midnight walks?" That too. McMannis says that he only did this for Taylor. They were in love, but they were keeping it a secret until the show ended.

In observation, Tony finds this the worst defense imaginable. The idea of a super model falling in love with a guy like that. Gibbs wonders why that's so hard to believe. Tony explains that super models date guys like George Clooney, or guys with bank accounts like George Clooney's, or the actual George Clooney, but they do not date guys like this one. "Meaning Marines, DiNozzo?" Gibbs asks. Tony backpedals quickly. Fortunately, Gibbs' phone rings just then. It is Abby and she has something for him.

In interrogation, McMannis is insisting that Taylor was like a regular girl. That he knows it sounds weird, but they just fell in love. Taylor was going to quit modeling and they were going to get married. Taylor was sick of that lifestyle. Ziva wonders why he did not mention this when they started the investigation. McMannis tells her that no one would have believed him. Ziva tells him that she believes him. McMannis wonders if he's free to go then. Ziva says no, she thinks they'll charge him with murder. McMannis doesn't understand this. He would never hurt Taylor. But what about the man who supplied her with the drugs that killed her, Ziva wonders. All through this McMannis is getting more and more agitated, getting extremely red in the face until he finally tells Ziva he's not feeling that well.

Abby is displaying Taylor's final wardrobe for McGee. McGee cannot think of a worse way to go than hanging on barbed wire. Abby, of course, can. Her top three are falling in a wood chipper, drowning in lava, and being eaten by a shark. Obviously Abby has given this some thought. McGee tells her she's more likely to be hit by lightning than eaten by a shark. "Not if you're a seal," is Abby's comeback. At that Gibbs walks in and wants to know what Abby's got for him. Abby has traced back all of the stains on Taylor's clothes. One of them is not blood, mud, rust, or sweat. It is PCP with formaldehyde, sodium, and nicotine. In other words, tobacco. The PCP was not in the Klowny Kake, it was in the snuff.

Back in interrogation, McMannis is having difficulty breathing. Ziva offers him water, but McMannis can no longer contain himself. He gets up and Ziva tells him to sit back down. McMannis turns over the table and Tony appears in interrogation to support Ziva. McMannis picks up his chair and threatens them both, throwing his chair at Tony and then smashing him into the wall. He comes at Ziva.

Gibbs is running down the hall toward interrogation. We can hear McMannis screaming as Gibbs flings the door open, drawing his weapon. Ziva and Tony have McMannis pinned to the floor. Gibbs tells them that McMannis is OD'ing on PCP and orders Tony to get a medical team. Tony leaves as Gibbs assumes his spot holding McMannis down. Gibbs demands to know where McMannis got his chew from. He got it from the show. Gibbs explains that McMannis has been drugged as he handcuffs him. Ziva leans in and tells McMannis he'll be okay and pats him gently on the back as Gibbs strokes the back of his head.

Back in Abby's lab, Abby is telling Gibbs that the snuff was laced with 400 milligrams of PCP. A typical hit of PCP would be between 7 and 10 milligrams. Ziva wonders what McMannis' chances of survival are. Given how much McMannis used, all they can do is hope. McGee comes into Abby's lab and gives them the report that McMannis is in stable but critical condition. Gibbs wonders if Abby found any prints on the snuff can. There were two. One is McMannis' and the other has no match yet, although it does match a print lifted from Noah Keller's syringe.

Back at Quantico, Tony and Gibbs are fingerprinting Hannah and Natalie. They explain that whoever killed Taylor also killed Noah and tried to kill McMannis. Cranshaw accuses Hannah, saying that she was always jealous of Taylor. Hannah dismisses this. Natalie does not know why they suspect them. Ziva tells them that Taylor was in love with McMannis. Hannah does not believe this, but Ziva assures her it is true. Hannah wants to be fingerprinted. She has nothing to hide. Gibbs tells her they've all ready cleared her. Her fingerprints were in her arrest record, from when she beat up her assistant with her cell phone. It wasn't Natalie either as they have her prints from when she drove her SUV through the front of a nightclub.

The team turns and looks at Cranshaw who protests that he loved Taylor. Gibbs holds him while Tony takes a hand and fingerprints him. Cranshaw demands his lawyer, but Gibbs tells him they don't need anyone's permission to take his prints, they're arresting him for the murders. Ziva explains that he didn't want Taylor to give up her career to marry a Marine, but he couldn't

stop her. He knew about her addiction to nicotine. Natalie is astounded that he would kill his own daughter. Cranshaw insists that it was an accident. "What was I supposed to do? She was going to throw her life away. Be some, some jarhead's housewife," Cranshaw protests as he is hauled away in cuffs. "Thanks, Tom" is Hannah's response as she smiles. Ziva cannot take it and asks Hannah what is so funny. "The ratings on this one will be through the roof," Hannah tells her and grins. Ziva leans in, but Tony grabs Ziva by the back of her jacket and pulls her away, leading her out the door. "You really find her attractive?" Ziva asks Tony. "Oh yeah!" Tony tells her. "Well, I want to shoot her."

Back at the squad room, Tony and McGee are squabbling. McGee doesn't understand how he can be wrong when it is his opinion. Tony assures him he's wrong because he has the wrong opinion. Ziva is exasperated and wants them to agree to disagree, but McGee will not agree to that. Tony asks Gibbs for an opinion on the director's new haircut. "She cut her hair?" Gibbs asks. "Never mind," Tony says as he leans back in his desk chair. McGee glares at him as he leaves for the day. Ziva shrugs her shoulders and also leaves for the day.

Gibbs turns off his desk lamp as he starts to leave as well. Tony pulls a box out and asks "I don't suppose you want this" showing Gibbs the medal from the awards ceremony at the start of the show. Gibbs looks at the medal and then away without answering. "I'll get rid of it" Tony assures him and snaps the box shut. Gibbs tells Tony to go home and Tony assures him he's just finishing up a couple of things. Gibbs looks at the black roses and tells Tony his flowers are dead. Tony turns and looks at them himself and then unlocks his desk, pausing to admire the medal before he puts it in a locked box in his bottom drawer. We see a glimpse of the locked box which has several of the same medal boxes in it. Tony leans in to admire his flowers, takes a deep sniff, and then sneezes.

Boxed In

Season 3

Episode Number: 58

Season Episode: 12

Originally aired: Tuesday January 10, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Dana Coen
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Guest Stars: Daniel Roebuck (Port Security Chief Matthew Lake), James Martin Kelly (Mookie Perkins), Morocco Omari (NCIS Special Agent Thomas Survoy), Tony Armatrading (William N'Diaye)
Production Code: 03013
Summary: While on investigation at a shipyard, looking for smuggled weapons, Tony and Ziva disappear and it's up to NCIS to find them. Abby tries to track them down by tracking down their GPS chips, but they seem to be out of reach. Meanwhile, Tony and Ziva, hiding in a container, find evidence which could help them solve the case.



The episode's cold opening sees Tony and Ziva walking between shipping containers on the docks. Up ahead they see one open: they realize that containers are not unloaded at the dock and pull out their guns and run to inspect the container. Finding nothing inside, they put away their guns. All of a sudden, a fire-fight breaks out so Tony and Ziva take cover inside the container where they get locked in. The episode becomes the story of Tony and Ziva trying to escape from the container, which is eventually freighted on a truck with them stuck inside. Meanwhile, the rest of the team get worried and

have to try to find them.

When Ziva and Tony discover counterfeit money hidden in a false wall of the container, they start dropping it from the container, leaving a Hansel-and-Gretel trail of money for someone to find and follow them and which is picked up by a drunk. Gibbs and the team have recruited the aid of the dock controller to track down the container, little knowing that the dock controller is in on the corruption.

When eventually released, the ending is a humorous dig at Ziva, who walks with her legs firmly wedged together, looking for a loo after 12 hours stuck in the container with no bathroom facilities.

Deception

Season 3
Episode Number: 59
Season Episode: 13

Originally aired: Tuesday January 17, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Jack Bernstein
Director: Leslie Libman
Show Stars: Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs)
Guest Stars: Jesse Plemons (Jason Geckler), Helen Eigenberg (Lt. Cmdr. Amanda Wilkerson), Austin Stout (Tim), Zac Efron (Danny), P.J. Byrne (Ross Logan), Eric Lange (William Lafferty), Phil Morris (Navy Capt. Paul Martino), Gary Kraus (Security Officer Chuck Parnell)
Production Code: 03012
Summary: When a Commander in charge of a shipment of fuel rods for nuclear power stations disappears, the NCIS team is called in. The team must solve the case in time, before the person who kidnapped the Commander finds out the secret location of the fuel rods or harms the Lt. Commander.



NCIS receives a call on a Sunday morning from a woman claiming to be Lt. Comdr. Amanda Wilkerson stating she's been abducted & needs help. The rest of the team is called in but McGee is unreachable. (breaks Gibb's Rule #3), Tony & Ziva are sent to her house to investigate, Abbey is given the call tape to analyse & Gibbs finds the Lt. Comdr.'s job involves the transportation of nuclear material & is one of 3 people who know the route it will take. Abbey finds the team has a short time to find the Lt. as she is in a car trunk

with limited oxygen. Ducky shortens the time by hours after finding the Lt. has been treated for a lung condition. McGee triangulates her cell phone when it is used again & the team rush to the location to save her, but find 2 teenagers have the phone. McGee interrogates them using his experiences as a teenage geek & one tells where they found the phone. The team is surprised to find a pervert approaching the car as they arrive.

Light Sleeper

Season 3

Episode Number: 60

Season Episode: 14

Originally aired: Tuesday January 24, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Christopher Silber
Director: Colin Bucksey
Show Stars: David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Tim Griffin (Marine Sgt. Malcolm Porter), Karl Makinen (Marine Staff Sgt. James Dawson), Keone Young (Yoon Dawson), Esther K. Chae (Yoon Dawson), Ruth Rudnick (Gina Goodwin)
Production Code: 03014
Summary: The NCIS team investigates a murder of two Marine's wives, and must find the murderers before they attack their next target, a another woman.



This is the one where the North Korean spy kills off her co-spies and prevents a bombing. She is the only one of the 3 spies in a 'sleeper cell' who has fallen in love with her husband, had a family and adopted the US way of life. They each met a marine when the marines were stationed in South Korea and passed themselves off as South Korean, to marry and emigrate to USA. Our "good villain" kills the other baddies, knowing that it will reveal that she herself is an enemy of the state, so far as the law is concerned, even

if she is doing it to protect the US from harm. And the husband, the father of her baby, is put in a position where he has to decide whether to believe in her no matter what, or to react to the fact that she has been a spy (and thus deceiving him at some level) from the start. When you are undercover, is everything tainted by the central lie?

There is a small red herring storyline concerning domestic violence in the home of one of the murdered Korean wives...but it wasn't the husband who was the violent one. In interrogation, Gibbs has to move from his antipathy towards men who hit women to realising that sometimes the man can be the victim. This is a growth point for Gibbs.

Ziva, who is completely unsentimental, makes all her analysis of the case on the basis of what a good spy would do, and predicts what she thinks their murderer will do. Gibbs makes his analysis based on the reasoning that the woman is no longer just a sleeper spy, but now a mother and that her loyalties have shifted. Ziva distrusts this sentimentalism...until the final scene, where the husband gets to meet up with his wife who, despite defusing the bomb and saving the team (and others) is now in custody and being escorted from interrogation in NCIS to wherever the CIA are taking her. Gibbs gets the guards to stop so that husband and wife can have a minute together, in the squadroom. Watched by all the team, the wife tearfully says how sorry she is and that she truly meant everything about how she loves him and their baby. And,

equally distressed, clutching their baby in his arms, he says he will be waiting for her and they will face everything together.

And Ziva learns another lesson about families that her own could never teach her.

This is one where the guest stars turn in a truly powerful performance with emotional tension that is gripping, right to the end.

Head Case

Season 3
Episode Number: 61
Season Episode: 15

Originally aired: Tuesday February 7, 2006 on CBS
Writer: George Schenck, Frank Cardea
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Thea Rose (Chrissy Wayne), Greta Sesheta (Receptionist), Jamie Martz (Petty Officer First Class Marc Hobie), Ivar Brogger (Simon Katz), Scott Atkinson (Lt. Cmdr. Kyle Ross), Stephanie Michels (Sean Oliver), Bruce French (Floyd Vernon), Chelsea Field (Jocelyn Wayne), Rick Sparks (Seaman Fred Randall), Caleb Brown (Petty Officer Third Class Michael Jones)
Production Code: 03015
Summary: While discovering an illegal automotive chop shop, the NCIS team stumbles upon a severed head of a Marine, hidden in one of the cars from the shop. When they find possible suspects, the team will have to find the rest of the body and find the murderer.



Two Petty Officers are in a garage taking apart cars, bragging about the money they are going to get for each part. The garage door opens and a third Petty Officer drives in with another car to strip. He gets out and brags about the car, pops the trunk and finds a medium sized cooler. As the garage door starts to go down, the NCIS team rushes in and busts them. Tony and McGee handcuff the three soldiers while Ziva checks out the trunk. She opens the small cooler,

then calls for Gibbs. When Gibbs looks in, they show a severed head on ice.

As the team is processing the scene, Ziva stands staring down at the head. Tony thinks it's Ziva's first "severed head" crime scene but she tells him it's not easy when you know the person. She tells him of a friend of her's who was undercover in a Mossad Cell and his head was overnighted to them in a cooler. She said after that she vowed never to be captured alive.

Ducky and Palmer enter the scene and Ducky thanks Gibbs for calling him in. Ducky said it was WWE Smackdown night in the Mallard residence and he was happy to leave. He said his mother loved wrestling and he didn't have the heart to tell her it wasn't real. Palmer said he loved WWE as well as he started to bring the stretcher out of the ME Van. Tony told Palmer he wouldn't need the stretcher as there weren't enough body parts.

Back at the lab, Abby came in as Ducky was telling the history of the guillotine and how it came about. He said that the Nazi's killed over 20,000 people between 1942 - 1943 by decapitation. He then examines the head and realized the head was cut over post-mortem - the man had been dead before his head was removed. Abby asks for tissue samples to test to see if she could find a match in the system. She said "Lay some tissue samples on me Duckman."

Ziva was looking over Tony's shoulder, reading an email from a woman and referenced Tony's nickname, "Honey buns". Gibbs came in and said that nickname was only for him and another person and asked for an update. Tony and Ziva did a background check on the car and found it had just been purchased two weeks prior to being stolen. Tony said the registration wasn't in DMV's system yet but McGee had hacked into the system and uncovered that the car was registered to Epsilon Corporation. Bummed that McGee showed them up, Tony and Ziva busted on McGee about hacking DMV and the penalty. Gibbs said it was better than checking personal email on his time "Honey buns." McGee gave them a name and address and Tony and Ziva went to check it out. After they left, Gibbs told McGee he'd done a good job, however, Tony was right that it was a penalty to hack into the DMV system.

One of the three Petty Officers was brought into interrogation by McGee. Gibbs interrogated the P.O., who claimed he had no knowledge of the head. Gibbs indicated he'd already interrogated the other two P.O.'s and they rolled over on the third one. He asked McGee to explain how long the P.O.'s jail time would be and as McGee rattled it off, Gibbs took out the pictures of the severed head. McGee said for murder, the P.O. would be looking at life. Rattled the Petty Officer said he had just stolen the car from a parking lot at a strip club, he had no idea about the cooler or its contents when he'd boosted the car.

Abby got a hit on the tissue samples for the head. They belonged to a Navy Captain Parker Wayne and it was discovered he had died four months earlier due to a heart attack. Ducky contacted the ME, Commander Ross, who had done the autopsy on Wayne and met with him. Ross brought his x-rays from Wayne's case and assured Gibbs and Ducky that Wayne had died on the operating table of a heart attack. Ross said he'd done the autopsy two days later, then released the body to Vernon Family Mortuary in Andover, VA.

McGee and Tony went to the Mortuary and interviewed the owner. He was clearing out some ashes and clapped his gloves in Tony and McGee's faces, getting ashes on them, much to their horror. He researched the file on Captain Wayne and said the body had been picked up and the cremation was done by his assistant, Martin Roussad. When they asked to speak with Roussad, Vernon admitted Roussad hadn't shown up for work that day. When Tony asked for an address, Vernon said Roussad lived on the grounds and gave them access to Roussad's place. When they entered, they discovered a room with skeletal remains set up like a ritual but no Roussad.

Gibbs went to Captain Wayne's home and spoke with his widow and daughter. Gibbs indicated that there was a paper mix-up and he needed Wayne's remains to straighten things out. Jocelyn Wayne wondered why an NCIS agent would be doing something so tedious as to following up on paperwork. Gibbs said it was punishment from the new director. Jocelyn was reluctant at first but Gibbs assured he she could trust that he would take the utmost care of her husband. She requested to have the remains back in 8 days as it was her husband's wish that the next time his ship sailed, his ashes be scattered at sea by his former shipmates. Gibbs assured her he would have them back to her in time.

Tony and Ziva went to the attorney, Sean Olivier, for Epsilon Corporation. Tony and Sean did a little flirting and Ziva asked for the women's help but Sean refused without a warrant. They returned 24 hours later with a warrant and Sean had all the files ready and processed. When Ziva and McGee were going through the files, they realized Sean had had time to cleanse them before she got them ready for NCIS. They came up with another address for storage for Epsilon and McGee, Tony and Ziva went to investigate. When they knocked, nobody answered and Ziva picked the lock, much to McGee's dismay. They walked through and saw it was sparse, but there were machines in there and the team wondered what they were used for. They opened up a freezer in the back and discovered it was full of human body parts.

Jocelyn Wayne showed up at the NCIS offices. Jenny Shepard went to meet with her and during their conversation, Jocelyn mentioned that Gibbs had told her it was his punishment from the new director. Jenny played dumb and asked for more information as Gibbs walked in. Jenny called Gibbs on his lie and said she thought the new director was easy to get along with. Jocelyn informed Gibbs that the ship's departure had been moved up and she needed to have the remains sooner rather than later. Jenny said they would have them back to her in time and Gibbs agreed. When Jenny walked away, Jocelyn realized Jenny was the "new" director.

Gibbs had Sean Olivier brought in for questioning and she showed up with her attorney. She claimed she had no knowledge of any of the goings on. Meanwhile Abby discovered that one of the sets of remains found in the storage freezer belonged to the missing Martin Roussad. Gibbs

went back to talk with Sean Olivier and told her the truth so she admitted that Roussad had supplied the body parts.

Ducky called Commander Ross to help him autopsy the body parts they discovered. Ross admitted he was honored Ducky had called him. Ducky got Ross to state how much body parts were with and a full body. He then had Palmer go work on another exam table, while he worked together with Ross on the upper torso of one of the remains. Ducky had Ross make the first cut and then backed off and asked Ross if it was worth it. Ross denied knowing what Ducky was talking about. Gibbs entered along with Ziva and Sean Olivier and McGee and Tony entered through the back door to block Ross' exit. Ross and Sean got into a shouting match over who did what and who had killed Roussad. Gibbs told them to shut up as he didn't care who did what, they both were under arrest. Ziva, Tony and McGee lead the two out of autopsy. Ducky pointed to a nearly put together body, which was the remains of Captain Parker Wayne. He asked Gibbs if he planned on having the remains to the widow on time as it was part of evidence. Upon Gibbs' look, Ducky said he'd accompany Gibbs and the body to the mortuary to oversee the cremation.

Gibbs returned the ashes to the widow. Wayne's little girl was happy to have her father "back." Jocelyn asked Gibbs if indeed, those were her husbands remains and Gibbs said they were. He offered to accompany Jocelyn and her daughter to the ship but she declined as the Navy was sending a car. She thanked Gibbs and gave him a kiss on the cheek.

Family Secret

Season 3

Episode Number: 62

Season Episode: 16

Originally aired: Tuesday February 28, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Steven D. Binder
Director: James Whitmore Jr.
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo)
Recurring Role: Stephanie Mello (NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Michael Holden (Dr. Wayne Dobson), Even Helmuth (EMT Jeff Beilsman), John L. Adams (EMT Seth Patterson), Troian Avery Bellisario (Sarah), Ellen Hollman (NCIS Special Agent Tina Larsen), Jeremy Brandt (Corpsman), Brandon Largent (Corporal Kenneth Miller), Conor O'Farrell (William Danforth)
Production Code: 03016
Summary: When an ambulance explodes while carrying the remains of a Marine's body that was killed in a car crash, the NCIS team is called in to investigate what actually happened. The investigation leads them to some sudden discoveries – the DNA of the victim found in the ambulance doesn't match the Marine's DNA; the ambulance was set up to explode; and the family of the dead Marine is hiding a very important secret.



Two paramedics are transporting a dead body from the morgue of a D.C. area hospital to the Bethesda National Naval Medical Center (NNMC). The remains they are carrying are those of a Marine who was killed in a car crash. Shortly after their ambulance departs, the driver smells something unusual. His mate confirms that it must be gas. As soon as they stop, the vehicle suddenly ignites. The two men have barely sufficient time to run away before the explosion of the

truck. - At NCIS HQ, Tony who is using McGee's computer is chatting with the very cute NCIS Special Agent Tina Larsen who is there TDY for a couple of days. Tina believes she is online with Tim and talking about his coworker Tony who has been trying to flirt with her earlier. Ziva is amused by what's going on but warns Tony that he will be in serious trouble if Gibbs catches him playing on McGee's PC. When Gibbs walks in unexpectedly almost at the same time as McGee, Tony and Ziva start improvising a phoney and funny celebration of Tim's birthday. As they are leaving the room, following Gibbs to go investigate the explosion of a medical transport, Tina is just inviting the one who she believes is McGee for a drink. . . - On the terrain, Tony and Tim persist in their trifle discussion about McGee's unanticipated date while Ziva is trying to make them focus on their work. Tony who must be feeling somewhat guilty becomes sarcastic about Ziva's expertise. Ziva brings her two dissipated colleagues back to reality when she replies that,

being Israeli, "this is not her first exploding ambulance. . ." At the same time, the two paramedics explain Gibbs that they haven't left the van unattended for more than 4 or 5 minutes. One of them thinks that somebody must be trying to kill them. When Gibbs asks "Who was trying to kill you?" the co-driver replies: "Who knows, there are a lot of weirdos out there!" And Giggs to carry on: "Tell me about it". - Ducky tells Gibbs that the remains that burned with the ambulance are those of Lance Corporal William Danforth Junior who survived IED (Improvised Explosive Device) in Iraq and RPG (Rocket Propelled Grenade) in Afghanistan. . . but unfortunately passed away in a car accident trying to avoid a deer at 60 miles an hour. Ducky says this could have been an accident, lucky for the two escorts to get out. . . Gibbs: "Lucky in a way I don't like. . ." - The next day, in the office, Gibbs surprises Tony who is cheekily browsing photos inside McGee's private iPod that the poor Tim imprudently left on his "public" desk. . . They both receive Gibbs traditional "clap" on the head: Tony because of his bad behaviour and Ziva for alerting him of Gibbs' arrival. More seriously, Ziva doesn't think that the drivers were the target. - A few minutes later, Abby is explaining what she has discovered with regard to the ambulance fire. This was most likely not an accident. Moreover, McGee presents evidence of what could have been the trigger of the explosion of the Oxygen canisters. It also seems that the person who triggered the explosion waited long enough for the two drivers to be able to escape. Gibbs also questions if the DNA of the Marine was confirmed? Abby answers him that she has been very busy so far but that Ducky is taking care of that. In autopsy, Ducky is puzzled by a mystery. He explains Gibbs that the death certificate of the Marine indicates that he died from "blunt force thoracic trauma" which is typical in motor vehicle accidents but that he has only been able to partially verify that. Very professionally, Ducky has attempted to identify himself what is left of the body but the young man's teeth are in such a bad state that it would take a very long time to make identification from dental records. Also, his DNA has been extremely degraded by the fire but, nevertheless, Ducky has found a piece of tissue viable enough to run a test against Danforth's DNA at the Armed Forces repository. The DNA is from someone else: that is the mystery! - Gibbs goes back in the office and informs Ziva and Tony that the fire may have been caused purposely to hide the real identity of the victim. For this reason, Gibbs sends Ziva and McGee to the hospital to interview the doctor who pronounced the Marine dead and find out who identified him. He is then told by Tony that the Director needs to see him in her office ASAP. Gibbs enters Director's Sheppard office abruptly and unannounced in a form of retaliation for the term "ASAP" but realises he somehow goofed because she is not alone. - The Director introduces him to Mr. William "Bill" Danforth, the father of the dead Marine. Danforth is himself a former member of the Corps and a friend of the SECNAV. He admits that he is using his personal relation to be kept posted about of the progress of the investigation. He wants to know how it comes that the body of his son was incinerated. Gibbs informs him and Director Sheppard of "the mystery". The body found in the ambulance's fire is not the one of his son. Since Bill was a fellow Marine Gibbs promises to keep him in the loop. Before letting him go, Gibbs asks Bill if he identified his son's body. The latter denies. When the father asks in turn if it is possible that his son could still be alive, Gibbs answers that the only thing he knows for sure is that the hospital transported the wrong body. . . - At the hospital, McGee and Ziva are speaking to the doctor who pronounced Danforth dead. He says that when the victim arrived he was in a very bad state and hard to recognize. When Ziva asks who identified his body, the physician says that they took his driver's license from his wallet but also that a friend confirmed his identity. When asked who this friend is, he points them to a young man reading a book loud for a young lady lying in bed badly injured; she is Rebecca, Danforth's girlfriend. Corporal Kenneth Merrill confirms he helped identifying the body. His buddy was in his own car with Rebecca. Before, the three of them had been in a bar "celebrating" the end of Billy's second tour in Iraq. Merrill didn't drink but Billy was pretty drunk and Rebecca was asked to drive him back home. Merrill also explains, he and Danforth were very close friends since they were children. He had discovered the accident when he in turn went back home some 30 minutes after the couple had left. - Gibbs went to interview Danforth's CO while DiNozzo was sent to discuss with Billy's platoon. In the camp Gibbs and Tony are crosschecking their results. It appears that Danforth was a top Marine but the word is that he only signed in because his father was a Marine before him. William was inseparable from a certain Corporal Kenneth Merrill, an IED specialist, who is known in his platoon as the "Forrest Gump" of explosives. Tony asks Gibbs if he is wondering if Merrill helped Danforth fake his own death to get out of the Corps. Jethro answers: No. I'm wondering who they got to play the part

of the dead body! - Taking advantage of a momentary absence of Gibbs, Director Sheppard, who wants to keep the SECNAV happy, comes down from her office to "discuss" with Gibbs' team members fishing for some information. She learns that they have two opposed theories. Tim and Ziva think that Corporal Merrill may have killed his friend because they had a strong fight in the bar that Kenneth conveniently forgot to mention and since Merrill passed by the accident scene he had the possibility to "finish Danforth off". They believe that there could have been a third person in the car. Merrill went to hide Danforth's body. When coming back, the cops were already there. So he had to go to the hospital to confirm Danforth's ID but later had to burn the ambulance to avoid the real identity of the body to be discovered during the autopsy. Tony has a different theory that includes a motive. He says that when driving drunk instead of Rebecca, he did not hit a deer but a human being. To avoid admitting the accidental killing he swaps "his" body with the one of the John Doe, then escapes and hides himself. He has his friend Merrill confirmed the ID and later blows the ambulance. When Gibbs returns he is pissed off that the Director has spoken directly to his team without him being there. - Gibbs and Ziva go back to the unit to confront Corporal Merrill. They try to make him elaborate about the fight in the bar. Merrill is really sorry he was unable to take his friend's car keys away. He is also sorry he did not drive him back himself and says that Billy died because of him. He seems very amazed when told that the burned body is not Corporal Danforth. Tony and Tim go back to the accident scene where they find a prescription bottle belonging to Corporal Merrill. There is blood on it. - The next morning Tony explains to Ziva that this discovery proves that his bodies swap theory is the good one. He is interrupted by an excited Gibbs who says that Abby found Danforth's blood all over the windshield and the hood. Ziva insists saying that Merrill was the only person with enough experience and means to blow up the ambulance. Gibbs says she is right. - Abby and McGee have discovered that the fire of the ambulance was triggered by a disposable cell phone. There is no chance to read the call log of what remains of that phone but McGee pulled the list of calls placed in the hospital cell zone at the moment of the explosion. One came from the cell phone of Corporal Merrill. - Gibbs meets William Danforth Senior at the hospital and explains him that the fire was not an accident. He asks Bill if he knows Merrill. Merrill could have killed his friend because of Rebecca. They had a fight at the bar. Bill admits his son was sometimes drinking too much this could have been the reason for the fight. Finally when Gibbs mentions that Merrill's cell phone could have triggered the fire, Danforth's father gives him an airtight alibi by saying he was with him at the time it happened. To make things even more complicated Tony phones his boss saying that Merrill has disappeared since Gibbs last visit. . . - Gibbs goes in his "old partner" office, i.e. Director Sheppard, to summarise the case around a bottle of wine and a "steak au poivre". Gibbs doesn't understand what happened. He believes that Merrill's alibi is a lie but he is also convinced that's Danforth's grief is real. There is no evidence that Danforth's son is really dead since the DNA doesn't match. Jenny's conclusion is that, however it happened, Jethro has to find Merrill. That way he would find Danforth's Junior and so finally understand everything. - Ducky tells Gibbs that it may take weeks to identify the remains using the teeth method. Abby has found Danforth's prints on Merrill's prescription bottle and the content was not the one expected. It was not a tranquilizer but an anti-rejection drug. Danforth could have had a transplant and the DNA test could have been made against the one of the donor of the organ. . . - Gibbs meets Danforth's Senior again. The latter admits that his son had a kidney transplanted. The donor was his best friend Kenneth Merrill. This information was kept secret by the family because Marines are not authorised to remain in their Corps if they have had a transplant. Revealing this information could have cost both young men their careers: receiver and donor. After the passing of his son in the car accident, Danforth's father realised that Merrill's future with the Marine could be compromised if it was found that he had donated one of his kidneys. The DNA test during the autopsy could have revealed it. The father confessed that he paid the morgue to swap the body of his son with the one of an unclaimed John Doe and that was the only person responsible for blowing up the ambulance. - Understanding the whole case now, Gibbs even goes as far as helping his family "The Marine Corps" by rearranging "a little bit" the evidences so to keep everybody happy: the father, the SECNAV and even his own Director. But nonetheless he himself deserved his traditional "clap" on the head for doing that!

Ravenous

Season 3

Episode Number: 63

Season Episode: 17

Originally aired: Tuesday March 7, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Richard C. Arthur
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Todd Allen (Park Ranger James Landis), Michelle Harrison (Park Ranger Bobby Hendricks), Chris Payne Gilbert (Wesley Rowan), Scott Anthony Leet (Jason Edom), Alex Frost (Jerry)
Production Code: 03017
Summary: When Marine dog tags are found in a national forest by a group of teens, the NCIS team is called in to investigate. While searching for the campsite of the Marine, the team finds out that there was another person, possibly a woman, with him. The investigation takes them to an even more higher discovery – there could be a serial killer killing women in the national forest.



A park ranger is leading a group through the woods when they come upon a pile of bear scat. She asks if anyone wants to investigate further, find out what he has been eating. A young man steps forward, pokes around with a stick and pulls up a set of dog tags.

Tony has dragged Ziva down to autopsy to see what he calls every newbie's worst nightmare. She would rather be taking a shower, they have apparently just come from the gym. Ducky is conducting an autopsy, all new agents are required to observe one. Gibbs interrupts, just after a newbie pukes, saying a body was found in Shenandoah park.

At the park the team investigates the sailor's campsite and what remains of his mauled body. Tony assigns McGee the job of bagging and tagging the bear poo, since he was a boy scout and all. The rangers explain that the area was restricted to campers because a hunter, Jason Edom, had been caught bear baiting there last month. Tony attempts to impress the cute female ranger, by suggesting he is a nature fan. He screws up however, when he says he will have to try bear baiting next time. Meanwhile, Gibbs has noticed that the victim was not alone, there are two sets of footprints and a pair of women's panties. The rangers and locals set up a search party to find the missing woman. While Tony, Ziva and McGee head to the local general store Jackrabbit Slims, where park visitors often park, in search of the victim's car. Inside the store Ziva and Jason Edom, who works there, have a small verbal confrontation. The owner, Wes, apologizes for Edom's behavior. Gibbs had returned to DC with Ducky. Ducky discovers no defensive wounds on the victim's body to indicate a bear attack but rather a cut made by a flat blade into the heart. He was not killed by the bear.

In the bullpen Tony and McGee are discussing the case, the sailor had been on leave the last 6 days, when Ziva comes in with a box of black roses. She had almost forgotten it was Abby's birthday. She heads down to the lab, where she finds Abby has already received 2 bouquets of black roses. Abby confides in Ziva that she is distressed because Gibbs didn't take her out last night for their traditional birthday dinner. Ziva's explanation of "he probably just forgot" doesn't seem to console her. Ziva realizes her mistake and tries to fix it, offering to remind him but Abby doesn't want that. Abby, rather sadly, returns to work; finding a name to go with the birth control patch they found. At the elevator Ziva bumps into Ducky, a bouquet of black roses and goth teddy bear in hand. He complains he had to go to 4 flower shops to find them, apparently they are sold out all over the city.

Tony has a theory. Since no one saw the girlfriend, perhaps she did not want to be seen. Perhaps she is a black widow. Ziva doesn't buy it. Gibbs returns, having spent the night tracking the missing woman. He wants McGee to put the film dooeywhacker (digital camera's memory card) up on the plasma. He shows them that there was no sign of her walking out of the campsite, she was carried. The only obvious part of the trail was the back edge of a military issue boot and a rhinestone. Gibbs sends Ziva and Tony back to the park, they see it as an opportunity to hit on their respective park rangers again. At Jackrabbit Slims they both warm up to the rangers.

Abby is a little cold and curt towards Gibbs when he comes to the lab. She has matched hair samples from the campsite and the car, the girlfriend drove out there with him. Abby seeks some comfort from Bert after he leaves. Upstairs Tony is gloating that he and his ranger are going out next weekend. Ziva counters with the fact that her ranger asked her out tonight. She said no, didn't want to seem 'sleazy' (instead of easy). Tony and Ziva compete to tell Gibbs about the accidental deaths in the park over the last few years, all female. McGee who had been hard at work interrupts, he found something. He pulled the driver license photos of the supposed accident victims. They could be sisters, doesn't seem so coincidental or accidental anymore. They have a killer using park accidents to cover up murder.

Abby and McGee have a slight miscommunication in the lab. He thinks they are having a conversation about the serial killer while she is actually talking about Gibbs forgetting her birthday. Abby is very touched that McGee feels his actions are unforgivable and no excuse could excuse it. McGee gets a hug, and plays along. Gibbs arrives at this point and threatens to send McGee to a weather station in the Antarctic. Abby tells him she has found out who the missing woman is. The birth control patch was new, and the company had to keep records of who was using them. Abby then narrowed it down and found the only one who did not show up to work, Jessica Fagan. She is physically similar to the other women.

The rangers arrive to help and when Abby calls to say she found something Ziva and her ranger, James Landis, go down with Gibbs. Tony is left getting a photo of Fagan for his ranger. Things remain flirty, until Tony notices her underarm hair and unshaven legs. In an attempt to extricate himself from the impending date. He breaks down telling her his wife died in pottery accident and he isn't ready to move on. Cut to a shot of Edom receiving the photo by fax at the store and throwing it away. Back at the lab Abby lets them know that the victim was sprayed down with a hunting lure, specifically Uncle Bebo's Bear Attractant. Meanwhile, McGee has found Edom's prints on a number of things at the campsite.

Edom is brought in for questioning. From the observation room Ziva is watching him. Gibbs comes in and wants to know if she could interrogate him without breaking any bones. "Truthfully? No." He assigns his defense to her and goes in to interrogate Edom himself. He claims not to have been inside the park, and that he didn't know Fagan or any of the other women. Back upstairs Tony wants to know if Ziva shaves. He then wants to know how she is doing with Edom's defense. She is still convinced of his guilt but at Tony's prodding, theorizes that all the items with Edom's prints could have been purchased by the victim at Jackrabbit Slim's. She then discovers that the night of the killing Edom was at his daughter's dance recital. He didn't do it. Gibbs still wants Ziva to interrogate him, Gibbs thinks Edom knows who did kill the petty officer.

Its Ziva's turn to interrogate Edom, in an effort establish a rapport with him she tells him her father never came to her dance recitals. She plays on his love for his daughter, telling him that each of the victims was someone's princess. He tells her that Fagan was the store owner's former girlfriend. Fagan had filled a restraining order against him, she had since changed her name. They theorize he took his anger out on woman who resembled her. Before they leave Abby calls Gibbs down, she has discovered the rhinestones are a trail, and wants to tell him its OK he forgot

her birthday. He says he didn't forget, tells her to check her desk and there is her Pulp Fiction present. Gibbs is trying to leave when Ducky catches up with him. His review of the other cases showed him the killer kept them alive for maybe 10 days.

There are two possible cabins in the park where the killer could have taken her. Gibbs, Tony and McGee head out. Ziva is told to stay behind, they want to take him alive. Gibbs is on the trail but it is more evident this time and whoever it is appears to be tracking someone else. Gibbs decides its too obvious, maybe an ambush, they separate for better cover. Back at the base, in Ranger Landis' cabin, Ziva notices a rhinestone on the floor. Cut back to the woods. A shot is fired and the team converge to find Landis has shot Wes, the store owner, he says he was trying to find Jessica...Ziva has followed the trail to a locked room and a tied up Fagan.

Landis, Gibbs, McGee, Tony and unconscious Wes are heading back to base camp when they hear the radio report that Jessica was found in Landis' root cellar. Landis turns his shotgun on them. Gibbs remains calm and asks how many, to which Landis replies 26. Suddenly Gibbs throws his rifle at Landis and launches himself at him. McGee and Tony who are holding an unconscious Wes debate whether or not Gibbs needs any help. As soon as Landis gets the better of Gibbs and runs off they drop the body. But Gibbs has already raised his rifle and shot him in the..well.. lets just go with behind.

Bait

Season 3

Episode Number: 64

Season Episode: 18

Originally aired: Tuesday March 14, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Laurence Walsh
Director: Terrence O'Hara
Show Stars: Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role: Stephanie Mello (NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner)
Guest Stars: Paul Schulze (Marine Major Ken Meyers), Mauricio Mendoza (Rico Caldas), Ruth Zalduondo (Angela Meyers), Charles S. Kim (SRT Sniper), Michael Welch (Kody Meyers), Jade Carter (Marine Capt. Daniel Wise), Linsey Godfrey (Stephanie Phillips), Charles Duckworth (Joe Bennes), Alexandra Krosney (Nadia Harcourt)
Production Code: 03018
Summary: The NCIS team must stop a teenage student from detonating a bomb attached to his body, while he's taking the other students hostage at a Quantico base high school. Gibbs tries to stop him when he enters the classroom, only to realize that there may be someone else controlling the teenage student from the outside. Meanwhile, while Gibbs is in the classroom, Tony is left in charge.



A high school student locks himself into a high school classroom. The NCIS team are called in to diffuse the situation, when it's discovered that the abductor is the son (Cody) of a Naval officer.

When the hostages are first detained, an abductee is noisily sobbing. Cody tells her to calm down. When it appears she cannot, a fellow student explains she is asthmatic and is in the midst of having an asthma attack, and needs her inhaler which is still in her locker. (As an asthma-

matic I have to say it was the most unconvincing asthma attack I have ever seen.)

This gives Gibbs an opportunity to enter the classroom as a hostage, leaving DiNozzo in charge on the outside.

Abby and McGee are able to hack into one of the 3 computers in the classroom that have web-cams and are wired to the Internet. They gain control of both what the web-cam is seeing and can flash messages to Gibbs.

Cody makes his demand: he wants to see his mother, which after attempts to find her, the team discovers she's deceased.

Ziva, with her bomb expertise, identifies the bomb strapped to Cody will not be detonated if he is taken out via snipers.

They have an opportunity to take out Cody via snipers on an adjacent building. DiNozzo tells them to stand down. Ziva questions him but he responds by saying that he can't shoot a 15-year old boy. "It's a Gibbs' thing. My gut."

Back in the classroom Gibbs notices an earpiece in Cody's ear. With Cody at the front of the classroom, and Gibbs' back to him, he signs to Abby. At first, she's unable to make out what Gibbs is saying. But then she deciphers "PUPPET". She sends this message to Gibbs via the computer, and he nods once.

Abby and McGee frantically discuss and deduce that Cody must be controlled via earwig. They flash another message to Gibbs and he nods. But this time Cody catches him, and demands to know why he's nodding. Gibbs denies that he's communicating to anyone outside the room.

Iced

Season 3

Episode Number: 65

Season Episode: 19

Originally aired: Tuesday April 4, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Dana Coen
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Matthew Iseman (DC Metro Officer Talbot), Suzanne Rico (Reporter), Benjamin Brown (Marine Capt. Arvidas), Austin Majors (Jeremy Hodges), Seth Adkins (Sean Hodges), Aris Alvarado (Tomas Zepeda), Michael Esparza (Marine Lance Corporal Jose Silva), Douglas Spain (Cesar Bernal)
Production Code: 03019
Summary: Gibbs and the team are called in when a couple of kids stumble upon the body of a missing Marine in a frozen lake. As the NCIS team searches the frozen lake bed for clues, they come across three more bullet-ridden bodies. During the autopsies, Ducky and Gibbs discover that the three additional victims had gang tattoos. With this crucial piece of information, the team works to uncover the Marine's connection with a deadly street gang.



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Untouchable

Season 3

Episode Number: 66

Season Episode: 20

Originally aired: Tuesday April 18, 2006 on CBS
Writer: George Schenck, Frank Cardea
Director: Leslie Libman
Show Stars: Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Adria Dawn (NCIS Tech), Jonathan Fraser (Secret Service Officer Jack Lyon), Mark Harelik (Ron Levinson), Kimberlee Peterson (Navy Lt. Keira Napleton), Scott Paulin (Navy Capt. Kevin Dorn), Nina Foch (Mrs. Victoria Mallard)
Production Code: 03020
Summary: When a Pentagon cryptographer is found dead, the NCIS team has to discover whether the person was or wasn't a Pentagon mole, and if the person committed suicide. As the investigation continues, the team discovers that the person wasn't alone when she died, so someone must have murdered her. So, the team has to find the person, a mole, who murdered the cryptographer.



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Bloodbath

Season 3

Episode Number: 67

Season Episode: 21

Originally aired: Tuesday April 25, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Steven D. Binder
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Vincent Young (Mikel Mawher), Mimi Kuzyk (Ginger Stevenson), Eddie Jemison (Terry Spooner), Sondra Currie (Lillian Hencheck), Ken Lerner (Albert Hencheck), Richard Keith (Frank Dreyer), Gregory Crane (ERT Member)
Production Code: 03021
Summary: While working on just a regular murder case with the rest of the NCIS team, Abby is almost killed by an evidence from the case and soon it becomes clear that the murder was staged, and that someone wants Abby dead. The team discovers some enemies from Abby's past, and they must find out who is the person, before the person kills Abby.



Body parts are found in a Naval motel. The team investigates and initially calls it as a drug deal gone bad, until the body parts turn out to be medical waste and the evidence is found to be planted. Abby is in the lab with McGee, testing the drugs, which a preliminary drugs test at the scene indicated was cocaine. However, the chemicals in Abby's kit react with cyanide which was in the cocaine giving cyanide gas. The air in the room quickly becomes toxic. McGee saves Abby by dragging her from the lab and she then secures it from the outside.

Abby is grilled by the rest of the team about a restraining order she had taken out against her ex-boyfriend, Mikel. She tells them that he couldn't take the hint that it was over and was now stalking her. Gibbs asks why Abby did not go to him and she answers that she wanted him restrained but not worked over with a baseball bat. Gibbs, Tony and McGee go to see her ex, a crime scene cleaner, to make sure he does not try anything like this again. He has an alibi and they are confounded because he spent the attack time working alongside police on crime cleanups.

Gibbs orders Abby into McGee's protective custody at McGee's house. When McGee leaves Abby in order to fetch her toothbrush from the car, Mikel invades McGee's flat. Abby fights him off. Mikel escapes as McGee returns. Next day in the NCIS squadroom, Gibbs punishes McGee by denying him the use of his deskchair, so McGee works at his computer whilst kneeling. When McGee discovers a way to track the villain's computer surveillance of Abby, Gibbs rewards him with the return of his chair and tells him to get Abby to help him with the work. McGee points

out that first someone will have to persuade Abby to leave the elevator. Gibbs goes to the elevator which opens to reveal Abby sitting in the corner, holding a taser gun from Ziva, pepper spray from Cynthia and brass knuckles from the Director. She explains that only 5 of the 2.2million deaths each year occur in elevators. Gibbs, having sat on the floor next to her, simply says no one is going to harm you, Abby. Abby declares that Gibbs is only saying that to make her feel better but, admitting that it did make her feel better, asks him to say it again. He does, and puts his arm around her so that she can rest her head on his shoulder, at which point the elevator doors open again to reveal Jimmy Palmer, suitably stunned at the sight of Abby/Gibbs nonchalantly floorbound.

Abby eventually moves out of the elevator and takes up residence in her lab. This proves unwise as Mikel manages to hack the Navy Yard security system and gain entry. He phones Abby whilst watching her through her basement lab's window. She realises that he is outside as the rest of the team realise that he is on the Navyard. The team scare him off and Gibbs takes Abby to his own home as protective custody. Abby, unable to sleep, drinks in Gibbs' basement and works on his boat. Gibbs arrives and tells Abby she needs to sleep. She responds with an explanation of how she keeps seeing Mikel and, now drunk, will have to face court tomorrow with a hangover. She debates whether she has been the architect of her own problems with Mikel and arrives at the conclusion that she has not, which pleases her. Meanwhile, Gibbs has removed a series of tools from her hands that she has been drunkenly waving around, putting him in danger. When she damages his boat, she becomes contrite and scared, at which point Gibbs reveals that Mikel has been caught crossing the Anacostia River.

The team relax, with Mikel in interrogation, and Abby goes to court. However, the real court escort phones in to say his tires were slashed, and the team realise that Abby is in peril. Yet again. Tony and Gibbs set off in pursuit. When they locate her, Gibbs is amused to find that Abby has used all of the self-defence weapons given her by her female colleagues and that they have worked. They come upon Abby at the point where her assassin is on the ground, being tasered, and ordered not to look up Abby's skirt.

The final reveal is that the true villain is the defendant in the court case that Abby was to give evidence in. The villain paid the assassin to get rid of Abby. Mikel merely enabled the assassin to go unnoticed, even though Mikel had repeatedly, truthfully, declared that someone else was following Abby. Mikel was also revealed, however, to have prepared a suicide note for Abby.

Jeopardy

Season 3
Episode Number: 68
Season Episode: 22

Originally aired: Tuesday May 2, 2006 on CBS
Writer: David North
Director: James Whitmore Jr.
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Connor Trinneer (James Dempsey), Tim Russ (Jerry Kemper), Tamara Taylor (NCIS Special Agent Cassie Yates), Alex Netic (Alex Rudd), Rodney Scott (Brian Dempsey)
Production Code: 03022
Summary: The NCIS team must protect Ziva when a suspect dies while being in custody, and her tactic might be the reason why the person died. The things become much more dangerous when the suspect's brother kidnaps Jenny, and demands the release of his brother in exchange for Jenny, but he has no idea that his brother is dead.



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Hiatus (1)

Season 3
Episode Number: 69
Season Episode: 23

Originally aired: Tuesday May 9, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Donald P. Bellisario
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer), Muse Watson (NIS Agent Mike Franks)
Guest Stars: Mary Matilyn Mouser (Kelly Gibbs), Marcus Reynaga (Paramedic), Ariel Felix (Alon ATU), Randy Flagler (Gibbs' C.O), Adam Lieberman (U.S. Customs Officer Cruz), Aloma Wright (Nurse Ethel Washington), Tess Lina (Nurse Maria Baliad), Jarvis George (Navy Lt. Morgan Tolliver), Burt Bulos (Abog Galib), Christopher Maher (Capt. Aris Mahir), Darby Stanchfield (Shannon Gibbs), Cotter Smith (NCIS Special Agent in Charge Sam Stevens), Brett Cullen (Navy Capt. Todd Gelfand)
Production Code: 03023
Summary: While working on an assignment, Gibbs is seriously injured in an explosion, and taken to a hospital, where he recalls his painful past, which he has always hidden from others. The rest of the team must proceed with the investigation and put their feelings towards Gibbs's injury aside. Tony is left in charge, which may cause a bit of trouble.



NCIS Special Agent Anthony DiNozzo, Special Agent Timothy McGee and Officer Ziva David wait in a car as their boss, Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs, contacts an undercover government agent on a suspicious foreign ship. They witness an explosion from the ship which killed the agent and placed Gibbs in a coma. In his comatose state, Gibbs has flashbacks of the murder of his wife and daughter, and his wounding in Desert Storm.

Tony becomes the temporary head of the investigation team as the group attempts to track down Pinpin Pula, a missing crew member of the ship, suspected to be an Abu Sayaaf member. The team confirms the identity of the dead agent to be NCIS Special Agent Abog Galib, with whom Gibbs was supposed to be meeting. Meanwhile, Abby Sciuto is disturbed by Ziva's seeming nonchalance regarding Gibbs's serious injuries, causing a fight between the two.

Gibbs awakens from his coma but has no memory of his friend and colleague, Ducky Mallard.

Hiatus (2)

Season 3

Episode Number: 70

Season Episode: 24

Originally aired:	Tuesday May 16, 2006 on CBS
Writer:	Donald P. Bellisario
Director:	Dennis Smith
Show Stars:	Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role:	Stephanie Mello (NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner), Muse Watson (NIS Agent Mike Franks), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars:	Pepper Sweeney (TBA), Darby Stanchfield (Shannon Gibbs), Tyrees Allen (NSO Deputy Director Dean Welsh), Tess Lina (Nurse Maria Baliad), Kevin West (Mario), Susan Santiago (Camila Charo), Jarvis George (Navy Lt. Morgan Tolliver), Alan Pietruszewski (Navy Captain Tom Zill), Burt Bulos (Abog Galib), Christopher Maher (Capt. Aris Mahir), Cotter Smith (NCIS Special Agent in Charge Sam Stevens), Brett Cullen (Navy Capt. Todd Gelfand)
Production Code:	03024
Summary:	The NCIS team must work on an assignment against a terrorist group without Gibbs, who is still recovering from the explosion. Gibbs has to fight with memory loss, while he's visited by his mentor and his former boss. His help is needed, especially when the team discovers that Gibbs is the only person who has information about the terrorists' plans, so he needs to retrieve his memory before the terrorists attack.



The episode starts in hospital. Doctor and Ducky are talking about Gibbs who just woke up. They soon find out that Gibbs remembers the explosion, but the one that happened 15 years ago.

Director Shepard tells the NCIS team that Gibbs will be OK. But, she also has bad news for them. Gibbs lost his memory and doesn't remember anything that happened to him for the last 15 years. And now the team has to solve the problem on their own. Tony follows Director and asks her to let him run this investigation.

Director Shepard tells him that she intended to do that, but she was wondering if Tony will ask her that... she wanted to know if Tony has as much guts as Gibbs. She goes to her office and leaves Tony wondering about what she said.

Gibbs and the doctor are sitting in a room and the doctor asks him what is the last thing he remembers. Gibbs doesn't say anything, we just see some of his memories.

Ducky and Jenny are talking about Gibbs. Jenny asks him if he knew about Gibbs's daughter. Ducky says that's impossible because he knew all of his three wives. Jenny shows him that Gibbs and his first wife had 8-year old daughter Kelly; they were both murdered.

Tony and rest of the team are trying to find out what happened to Gibbs. Tony already starts acting like the team boss and starts giving orders to them.

New scene opens, and we see Pin Pin Pula in boat getting paper in which he is described as a suspect. He leaves the room and goes outside where somebody greets him.

The doctor and Jenny are talking on the phone about Gibbs. Gibbs is watching TV. Doctor says he is trying to catch up on what happened in last 15 years, but Jenny says he hates television. She says that she should contact the retired agent Michael Franks who worked on Shannon's and Kelly's case years ago.

In the next scene, we see two Mexican people talking. Jenny contacts that man who turns out to be Michael Franks. She explains to him that she is now the director of NCIS, and Mike starts laughing at that. She asks him for help. He refuses and then Jenny says "Leroy Jethro Gibbs," and that's where the scene ends.

McGee and Abby find out some interesting facts about the explosion... including the one that Gibbs knew all about the explosion. They continue investigating this case as the new scene opens in hospital where Jenny and Gibbs are talking. She shows him a picture of Pin Pin Pula and asks if he recognizes him. Gibbs becomes nervous and the scene closes showing Gibbs saying that he wants Shannon and Kelly.

Next morning, Mike visits Gibbs and they start talking about the time when Gibbs was a Probie. A nurse comes in saying that smoking is not allowed. Mike says it's just another reason for living in Mexico.

Ducky and Palmer discover something interesting and call the team to look at it. A nurse goes to Gibbs's room saying that he cannot have stake if he doesn't finish his jelly.

But Gibbs is actually outside talking to Mike and eating stake. They're talking about Mike's life, his house in Mexico and some frightening facts that made Gibbs throw up the food he ate. Gibbs says that the nurse was right...he wasn't ready for a stake.

Pin Pin Pula is working on the boat and somebody invites him for a poker game, but he says he's busy. Ziva pays Gibbs a visit. She forces him to remember some of the stuff. She takes his hand, slaps herself with his hand, causing Gibbs to remember Kate's and Ari's death.

Gibbs returns to NCIS, making it clear to everyone that he got his memory back. He interrupts the discussion between Jenny and Dean Welsh. He explains that Pin Pin Pula will blow up Cape Fear, but Welsh doesn't believe him. Gibbs yells at him and leaves the room leaving us to watch a boat exploding.

In the new scene, Gibbs is talking to Jenny about him being wrong. He was angry at Mike and he didn't understand how he could quit... until now. The whole team is waiting for him. He goes to his table and tells Tony that the team is now his. He says to McGee that he is a good agent, and he shouldn't let Tony tell him otherwise. He kisses Abby in the cheek and tells Ziva that he owes her.

He asks Ducky to give him a ride and leaves NCIS building.

After that, we see Mike smiling on the beach as he recognizes Gibbs walking towards him.

Season Four

Shalom

Season 4

Episode Number: 71

Season Episode: 1

Originally aired: Tuesday September 19, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Donald P. Bellisario, John Kelley
Director: William Webb
Show Stars: Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard)
Recurring Role: Muse Watson (Mike Franks), Liza Lapira (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Sheila Frazier (ZNN Reporter Debra Green), Saba Homayoon (Faatin Amal), Paul Lacovara (Mossad Security Officer), Eyal Podell (Namir Eschel), Susan Santiago (Camila Charo), Eli Danker (Mossad Officer Michael Bashan), Don Franklin (FBI Agent Ron Sacks)
Production Code: 04001
Summary: When Ziva accidentally witnesses a political assassination, she must surrender to the FBI and deal with the consequences without Gibbs's help, who is now enjoying his retirement. She learns that the FBI is looking for her and escapes, while the NCIS team, led by Tony, must prove that Ziva is innocent. However, when things get more complicated, Ziva seeks help from the one person that always trusted her, Gibbs.



On her way to work, Ziva sees two motorcyclists, whose faces remain hidden beside her. This reminds her of her old Mossad- assassination days, which shows the viewer a flashback to a similar scenario. She follows them, weaving through the streets. Just as they pass a cafe, an explosion goes off, which causes Ziva to swerve onto the curb. She jumps out of the car and notices a few ppl dead on the ground (we later find out one is wanted by the Israeli government, and 2 FBI agents who were with him for protection).

One of the attackers walks away, Ziva stops him, and realizes it was her old partner from her Paris-Mossad days. She lets him walk away (One could argue that she is in shock because she didn't expect it to be her old partner, or that her father was behind it).

Ziva immediately goes to the Israeli embassy to try and sort out what happened, claiming they were 'sloppy'. Michal (the guy in charge) claims that Mossad had nothing to do with the attack, Ziva disagrees and that it is for this reason she no longer talks to her father. Michal swears they had no idea, but Ziva says it was her old partner that she let go. Michal further denies this by saying that her and her father attended his funeral. She tries to leave, but is prevented, she isn't even allowed to call NCIS.

Back at NCIS, Abby is nervous and chatty, usually when something is bothering her. We find out she is anxious for the return of new team leader, Tony, who has gone on holiday. She walks to McGee's new desk (Tony's old one) and checks out Tony's flight schedule because he isn't at work at the time he said he would. Soon after she checks Tony's flight details, speak of the devil, Tony walks through the elevator doors; Abby smothers him in her usual Abby-hugs. Tony gathers the team around for gift giving: McGee gets a David Hasselhoff CD, Abby, a gorgeous cross necklace, Ziva, a Swedish girl outfit. He realizes that he hasn't bought anything for Agent Lee (who has joined Tony's team), so he makeshifts a gift, a smuggled in stapler from Germany, but is really from his own desk.

Cut to beautiful Mexico, Gibbs is all 'dirtied' up, with beard and all, fixing Frank's leaking roof. Gibbs is given the phone, and realizes it is Ziva. She believes he is the only one who can save her and as we remember from Hiatus 2, this is her collecting her due.

Back at NCIS, Lee brings up the issue of Ziva being late, Tony dismisses that anything is amiss, but after a while realizes something is up. Director Shepherd tells Tony that they will deal with the FBI, who have come looking for Ziva. (We learn that she is wanted for espionage and murder.) Because of her link with Ari and Mossad, the FBI believe her to have used NCIS as a way to 'get in' in order for her to attack the 2 dead FBI agents. Both Director and Tony don't buy it, but Tony is forced to cooperate with Agent Sacks (Slacks according to Tony).

Downstairs in autopsy, Tony, Ducky, McGee, Abby and Palmer (BlackLung) form a secret alliance to find Ziva w/out Director or FBI finding out. Abby cuts in, saying she has spoken to Ziva already. Tony calls her, Ziva says she'll kill Abby. Tony says hes going to try to help but needs to get in contact with Gibbs; Ziva hands the phone to him, and Gibbs tells Tony he has 10 secs to tell him the details b4 he hangs up.

Ziva and Gibbs go to one of Ari's old safe houses to look for clues. One of the motorcyclists is found sitting on the couch, bullet to the head. They search the house, and find nothing. A mobile starts to ring, Gibbs answers. It is Ziva's old partner, who can see them from a secret camera in the vent. Ziva realizes the call is to keep them there longer so that he can blow it up - they find the camera in time and are able to escape unharmed.

With the evidence, Gibbs is 'temporarily reassigned' and the team are with Abby sorting through what they can work with, while Ziva is in a safe place: Gibbs basement. They find a trace back on the camera to an apartment. Gibbs calls Ziva to tell her what they've found and for her to stay put. She hangs up because she wants to leave to catch the people behind all this. All the while, the Director, FBI and Israeli govt know that this is bad for both countries involved and will ruin all relations.

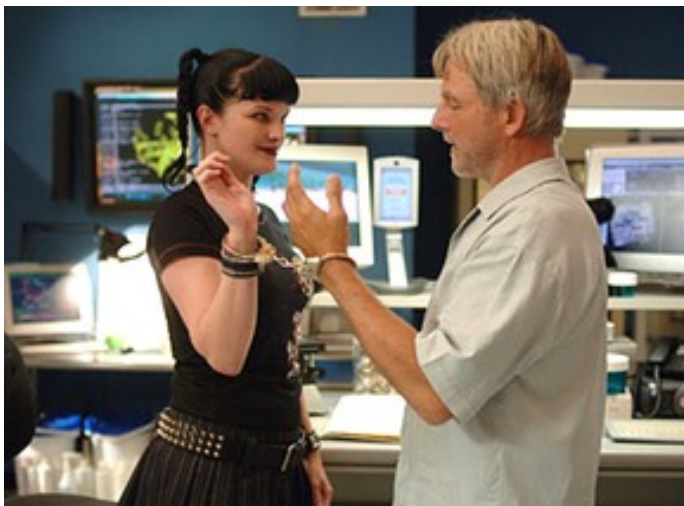
At the apartment, we find the agents but it is Ziva's old partner and a female. He puts on her necklace and she shoots him, then smothers him, saying that she cant let 'them know that her govt was behind this'.

Ziva enters the room, and the 2 women fight. Ziva is obviously faking that she cant fight, so that she can get some kind of testimony from the agent. Finally Ziva get the confession needed, that she works for the Iranian govt prompting Ziva to kick butt like usual. She ends it by knocking her out. Gibbs, Tony and McGee enter, thinking Ziva has killed both agents when she reveals that she is 'no longer a trained killer, but an investigator' showing the recorder taped to her stomach!

Escaped

Season 4
Episode Number: 72
Season Episode: 2

Originally aired: Tuesday September 26, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Steven Binder, Christopher Silber
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Stephanie Mello (NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner), Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer), Liza Lapira (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee)
Guest Stars: Courtney Gains (Gary Silverstin), Harriet Margulies (Older Woman), Janiece Jary (Woman), Sarah Spiegel (Young Woman), Paul Clausen (Young Man), Payton Spencer (Emily Fornell), Mary Matilyn Mouser (Kelly Gibbs), Judyann Elder (Marny Mathers), Brandon Barash (Ex-Petty Office Derrick Paulson), Wayne Pere (Stanley Springer), Hal Holbrook (Mickey Stokes)
Production Code: 04002
Summary: Gibbs is forced to come back out of his retirement to help Fornell, who is being threatened by a convict that escaped from prison. The convict threatens both Fornell and his daughter Emily. Gibbs and the NCIS team re-open the convict's old robbery case, and question a retired sailor who is the only one who contacted the convict after he was sent to prison. The investigation will lead the NCIS team to a surprising discovery.



Opening scene sees FBI Agent Tobias Fornell, in suit and tie, sitting in a children's beauty parlor reading a magazine, whilst around him the salon is busy and buzzing with little girls attending the "My First Makeover" grand opening, a girl group blaring on the sound system, everything vivid and colorful and cheerful. Fornell looks across the room at his own daughter who is waiting her turn and busy with a coloring in book. His pink and white blond daughter, about 8 years old, smiles back. We see a man's hand pass a crayon to Fornell's daughter and Fornell stands, calling his daughter to him. She is unperturbed and merely says

its not her turn yet. The men speak and we learn that this is an escaped convict whom Gibbs and Fornell put in jail for life. The convict tells Fornell to re-open the case because the wrong man was convicted. The convict knows that Fornell can either pursue him or reach for his cell phone, and that Fornell will not endanger his own child by pursuing the convict and leaving her behind for any accomplice. Convict leaves. The closing snapshot is of Fornell standing in the salon, looking worried, putting his cell phone to his ear. Opening credits. We see a 3 store wooden house

with picket fence and a for-sale sign. Cut to interior shot in Gibbs' basement. Gibbs is taking boxes from shelves and emptying them into a trash can. In the process, a metallic box falls to the floor, catching his attention. It is a child's lunch pail. He picks it up and sits, opening it and smiling as he takes out an absurd, cheery little 'strawberry shortcake' doll with a mob cap. But beneath the doll he finds some photos and, with an audible intake of breath which he releases as a sigh, Gibbs starts looking at the photos of his daughter (whom we know was murdered alongside his wife just before he joined NCIS 15 years ago). But before he can finish looking at the photos, Gibbs' real estate agent can be heard upstairs, getting closer, describing the potential of the basement as a wine cellar to a potential buyer, who turns out to be Fornell. The realtor leaves Fornell to have a look. Fornell enters, explains the situation with the convict to Gibbs and Gibbs preempts him by saying he is retired and that Fornell doesn't need him. Fornell erupts, saying it goes beyond need. A convicted murderer touched his child. It is no longer Fornell the FBI agent but Fornell the father. Fornell forces himself calm, remarks Nice tan to Gibbs and departs. At the NCIS headquarters, we have Ziva and Agent Lee reassuring McGee that his over bleached teeth are not as bad as he thinks, but that he should not let DiNozzo see them. DiNozzo arrives and wants to see them. In the midst of a standoff between a close-mouthed McGee and a demanding DiNozzo, Gibbs arrives and, without greeting, storms upstairs to Director Shephard's office. The Director is on the phone, but politely tells Todd that she will call him back (and we presume Todd is the same Dr Todd Gelfand who treated Gibbs in the Hiatus episodes, and that this indicates some romance between the Director and the Doctor). Gibbs demands to be allowed to handle the Paulsen (escaped convict) case. Jenny demurs on grounds that he cannot treat working for NCIS like gym membership to be dropped and restarted at will. She says she filed his retirement package. Gibbs says Un-file it. They bicker until, as Gibbs is heading out the door in disgust, Jenny offers to sign Gibbs' parking voucher and, on opening her desk drawer, feigns surprise that she finds Gibbs' retirement paperwork. She tells him that she must have accidentally put him down for annual leave instead and that he is still an NCIS agent for the next 6 days until leave runs out. We see DiNozzo speaking into his speaker phone saying Don't tell me you don't eavesdrop, Cynthia. Every Director's assistant eavesdrops.. until Ziva hisses that Gibbs is coming. Gibbs marches back down the staircase into the squad room, saying nothing. DiNozzo, Ziva and McGee huddle to discuss whether Gibbs has forgotten he retired but note that he has not taken back his old desk. He has gone to a chair at the very end of the row. Gibbs in the squad room speaks to Fornell by phone, telling him that he should have been here half an hour ago. We see Fornell outside his mother's house, telling Gibbs that he is dropping off his daughter as a form of protective custody. We hear his daughter bright and happy as she greets her grandparents. Gibbs asks whether he wants an agent there and Fornell indicates his anxiety by asking How many can you spare? In a series of quick cuts, we follow Gibbs' conversation where Fornell is worried about Paulsen and what he is after, and DiNozzo is worried about Gibbs and what is happening. Jenny swings past saying that Agent Gibbs is back on temporary assignment to help with the Paulsen case. DiNozzo is tells the others what that case is. Fornell tells Gibbs that all the files on Paulsen are being sent to NCIS so that NCIS can try to spot something that the FBI techs might have missed. In Abby's lab, we see Abby sitting at her bench surrounded by computer screens with Gibbs' face as her screensaver. She is sucking on a skull lollipop, concentrating on something she was reading from the Paulsen file boxes. A voice asks Anything good? and she absentmindedly describes how interesting the case is until she realizes that it's Gibbs' voice and he is here beside her. She excitedly greets him, stabbing at each computer to take his photo off as she doesn't need it now that he is back. He explains that it is temporary. She is unimpressed and her excitement deflates. Gibbs tells Abby to process the contents of Paulsen's cell, to find out what he was up to before he escaped, but then looks up at the CCTV camera and says unless the three of you have any other suggestions? and DiNozzo has to answer, caught red-handed, saying We were eavesdropping like little girls but we do have some ideas.... They report that the only person visiting Paulsen in jail was his friend Mickey. Gibbs tells them to get on with seeing Mickey, but tells McGee to ..stay here and help Abby... at the same time DiNozzo says the same thing (so who is the boss, now?). Gibbs also picks up the Caf-Pow cola and tells McGee to drink some ...before we all go snow-blind showing that he still observes everything. The team rushes off to interview Mickey. Arriving at Mickey's, the team is told that Paulsen had been waiting for them for an hour. Team rushes in to arrest him but cannot find him. Gibbs gets a phone call from Paulsen saying he already has what he wants and that he is surprised to catch Gibbs as he heard

that Gibbs had quit. Gibbs says retired but Paulsen laughs and says at Gibbs' age, it's quitting. DiNozzo asks what did Paulsen want? Gibbs looks out the front of the house and says Our car, which is now gone. They then interview Mickey. Fornell arrives (and is told to take off his shoes in house-proud Mickey's house). Mickey tells Gibbs and Fornell that they got the wrong guy. Gibbs and Fornell tell Mickey that he wasted his life's savings defending the wrong guy. DiNozzo suggests using Mickey as bait for Paulsen. Both Fornell and Gibbs turn and stare at DiNozzo and Gibbs says You're the boss. Phone call to DiNozzo - the car is found (the laptop with the case files is the only thing missing). They then ask if Mickey had any weapons and they find his pistol is missing from its case. They conclude that Paulsen is now armed. Agent Lee is helping Abby in the lab. Lee, the lawyer, notes that Paulsen filed more appeals than she has ever seen and that Paulsen is probably going after witnesses in the case. Lee thinks letting convicted felons use the legal system that way is an abuse of process. Abby says that we are all entitled to our day in court. Lee says Not according to Agent Gibbs. I've been going over his case files and he seems to prefer a more biblical approach to things. If you ask me, the Agency's better off without him. Abby slams down files and tells Lee that the Agency is lucky to have Gibbs and reminds Lee that she can kill without leaving any evidence behind. She finished by saying Done, settled, Gibbs is staying. He has to, right Gibbs? alerting Lee that Gibbs has arrived silently. Gibbs just stares at them, coffee in one hand, Caf-Pow in the other, silent and sombre. Abby, reading this as dissent about staying, grumpily turns back to her computers and restores Gibbs' photos as if he is already gone. They discuss the evidence that Lee and Abby have been sorting and note that Nash is the only accomplice that Paulsen didn't kill. They discuss what Paulsen is looking for and wonder about looking for the bank robbery money and Gibbs says ...or maybe Paulsen is looking for something a little more...biblical. Agent Lee, who is at least 12 inches(32cm)shorter than Gibbs, looks up into Gibbs face as he glares down at her. She realizes that he heard everything negative thing she said about him. She looks horrified and scared. New scene, we see DiNozzo hiding near the staircase listening to his mobile phone, and he is hearing the conversation that is going on between Ziva and McGee. Gibbs walks up behind him and asks Taking a little break, DiNozzo? Tony says Oh I think you know exactly what I am doing, Agent Gibbs. They then walk into the squad room, where Ziva and McGee rush to hide their own gossiping about McGee's over-bright teeth (he is on his fourth Caf-Pow to diminish the shine but Ziva suggests he changes to blue-berry as it's not working). They were also complaining about being tired of Tony's campfire team meetings. As Tony and Gibbs walk in, asking for a report, Tony finishes off their first sentence and Gibbs finishes off their second sentence. Tony is impressed at Gibbs' prescience and says I have much to learn, master. as he switches off the speaker-phone button on his desk, cutting off the call to his own mobile phone. Tony holds a campfire (team discussion around his desk) and they all work out that they have to track down Nash, the accomplice to Paulsen. Next scene is Ducky and Palmer in autopsy, sitting and examing for Ducky's viva exam for his Master's degree in Forensic Psychology. Palmer asks what is the difference between the ethical and the moral man. Ducky replies with a twinkle in his eye Well, the ethical man knows that it is wrong to cheat on his wife whereas the moral man actually would not. Gibbs arrives and asks Going back to school?. Ducky becomes brusque and explains about the forensic qualification to add the "why" answers to his arsenal of forensic "how" answers because ...What motivates us can be a very tricky thing. Ducky says he was wondering when Gibbs would finally come and visit him. Gibbs says he has been busy but Ducky pins him down by saying ..or avoiding me? I wonder why that could be? Gibbs says he is not staying. Ducky answers that he never thought Gibbs would. I am aware that when Leroy Jethro Gibbs makes up his mind, his mind's made up. Gibbs (and the viewer) is in no doubt that the reunion and friendship is strained. Gibbs then discusses the Paulsen case with Ducky and Ducky asks whether Gibbs has one of his famous gut feelings. Gibbs already had that when he decided the man was guilty the first time around. Ducky, noting that Gibbs never changes his mind, points out that that is too bad for Paulsen if Paulsen is innocent. Gibbs takes Ducky's snarky comments silently but with a grim stillness. His phone rings. DiNozzo reports that they have had a call on the FBI public tip hotline, from Paulsen. He plays the recording to Gibbs over the phone. Paulsen thanks Gibbs for the car and says he left his own token of appreciation, which he is sure Gibbs will find soon. McGee traced the phone call to a place in the city and Gibbs correctly preempts McGee by saying 4242 Adams Boulevard, where two of the accomplices were murdered in the past. (Viewers can ponder whether an in-joke is intended in the address because Douglas Adams wrote the "Hitchhiker's Guide to the

Galaxy," where the answer to everything is 42). Fornell meets Gibbs at the address. Lee points out that they have no warrant yet. They are wondering what is Paulsen's token of appreciation. They storm the apartment and find photographs from when it was a crime scene previously and Ziva remarks that it shows the discrepancies in the evidence. Ziva says that their job is not to reopen Paulsen's case but Gibbs and Fornell point out that Paulsen has done that by making the old crime scene part of the new crime of escape. Paulsen is clever. Gibbs brings in Paulsen's elderly, flirty friend Mickey to work with Abby to process the old files as they are running out of time. Abby collects Mickey from the squad room. Mickey admires Abby's outfit and says My dog had a collar just like that... Gibbs walks back towards the squad room which is having a campfire discussion at Tony's desk, with Tony recording it on his dictaphone as usual. Tony invites Gibbs to join the team. He keeps walking and leaves. Team DiNozzo ponder where he is going. Tony predicts his basement to drink bourbon with Fornell. Jenny says not tonight. Gibbs' house has termites, is being sprayed and that Gibbs is staying with Fornell. Fornell's house. Fornell is showing Gibbs into a little girl's bedroom, remarking that Emily was excited about Gibbs staying and that he use her room and is allowed to sleep with her Raspberry Rumtart doll (which gives Gibbs flashbacks to his own daughter and her strawberry shortcake doll). They have a discussion about Gibbs having had a family and sharing Fornell's situation. Fornell says hell, I was even married to your second wife! to which Gibbs gave his usual reply of having warned Fornell. They discuss that they screwed up on Paulsen and that they can make it right. They drink Emily's fruit juice which Fornell notes is Not our usual stuff Fornell says that as a kid, all he dreamed of doing was being an FBI agent. Now not a day goes by I don't think about being a kid. The way I figure it, anyone who doesn't want to quit this job isn't doing it right Next day in Abby's lab, Abby puts a henna tattoo on Michelle's arm and wants to photograph it. Michelle stands stiffly but Abby wants natural movement. Mickey starts dancing with Michelle and it gets out of hand. Abby keeps taking photos. Gibbs walks in. Lee bashes into him whilst dancing. She is horrified. She splutters an explanation. Abby explains that she is checking whether Paulsen's tattoo was copied in order to frame him: it was the only identifying mark that labeled him as the murderer. But they need Paulsen to let them photograph the real tattoo to be able to compare it. They have tracked down who did the tattoo on Paulsen, though. Gibbs leaves, still having said nothing to Agent Lee. Lee is awed by just how much Gibbs hates her and says so to Abby. DiNozzo goes to interview the tattoo artist who is working as a signboard man on the pavement, twilling an advertising sign continuously during the conversation. Ziva and Gibbs watch from the car, with Ziva dropping hints about how easy it is to get bored without an interesting occupation. Gibbs preempts the discussion and asserts that he is not staying. DiNozzo gives up interviewing, gets back to the car and waits for the tattoo man to phone Nash, the surviving accomplice. They track the call destination and race to the location. They find Nash dead on the ground, having fallen from the top floor. Too late, yet again. In autopsy, Ducky says Nash was beaten before being shot and then he fell. Abby comes on the video phone to say that the bullets are same gun as before. It looks like it was Paulsen and that Gibbs' new gut instinct (that Paulsen is innocent) is wrong. Tony says we are missing something. Gibbs sourly remarks that the only thing he is missing is happy hour in the cantina in Mexico. He stalks out of autopsy. Gibbs enters the lift to leave the building, looking severe. He puts his hands behind his head and stares at the ceiling, then hits the emergency stop. In the darkened lift, he looks down. Makes a decision. Hits the lift button and reverses the lift to go down to Abby's lab. As he walks in, we hear we hear her instructing the security men not to let Gibbs leave the building, but as Gibbs arrives, she mutters that it's a false alarm and slams down the phone. She embraces Gibbs excitedly, talking fast, saying she was worried that he was a flight risk and we see that her hug was really a means to handcuff him to herself. When he tells her that she has to clear Paulsen, she embraces him (causing pain as the handcuff forces his arm behind his head as she puts her arms around his neck to hug him). Gibbs' question for Abby is how does Paulsen know everything the team knows, as soon as they know it? In the squad room, team Tony are discussing the case and Tony is sour. Ziva asks is anything wrong, and Tony lists everything concluding with how Paulsen seems to know everything they think or say as soon as they say it. Gibbs marches in and asks if Tony is only just now realizing that. He grabs Tony's dictaphone on which he records all campfire discussions, breaks it open to show a bug, planted when Paulsen stole the car and left everything behind but the laptop. They have found the token of appreciation that Paulsen mentioned when he left a message on the tip line. In the lab, Abby shows that the bug has the maker's signature. They

pull in the bug maker to interrogation, wanting him to hand over the cipher. With Ziva, the angry man refuses to co-operate, asserting all his legal rights. So Gibbs goes in. DiNozzo in the observation room, finally twiggs that this is like *The Fugitive* film, and Gibbs is Tommy Lee Jones (Ziva whispers to McGee What happened? We have been avoiding mentioning the *Fugitive* for days and McGee murmurs back He figured it out for himself.) In the interrogation room, the man is still defiant so Gibbs pauses, leans forward and says, softly and un-threateningly. I got this little girl. Wants to go home to her dad. And thats not gonna happen without your help. (Pause.) So....please? In the observation room, the Gibblets look shocked and amazed at Gibbs saying please. The defiant man shifts in his chair, deflates his antagonism and asks what Gibbs wanted to know. Cut to team outside a house at night, in flak jackets. They are monitoring what's going on inside. Ziva says I heard Paulsen's voice and they see a gun and Mickey's profile. They storm into Mickey's house, yelling at Paulsen to hold it as Paulsen points a gun at Gibbs. DiNozzo tells Paulsen not to do it as we will shoot you. Gibbs explains that they know Paulsen is innocent and tells the others to put down their guns, then lowers his own and says that Mickey, however, is not innocent and DiNozzo starts arresting Mickey. Ziva explains that the guy who sold the bug pointed out Mickey as the buyer, not Paulsen - much to the team's surprise. Mickey scoffs and says if he did it, where is the money? McGee says it has been right here all the time. The furniture in Mickey's house is not just old, it is valuable antique furniture. McGee gives the prices for civil war era furniture, a longcase clock and a first edition of *Huckleberry Finn*. Paulsen raises his gun at Mickey but Gibbs talks him out of it, predicting that Paulsen would rather see Mickey sent to jail. As Mickey is led away, Ziva raises her eyebrows at McGee who confesses that he watches the *Antiques Roadshow*. In Gibbs' cleared-out basement (which only has the boat left but no tools), we see Gibbs sitting doing nothing, in the dim yellow light of a lamp. Jenny arrives to announce that Paulsen is cleared of all charges. Jenny: You saved that boy's life. Gibbs: He did most of the work. J: Don't sell yourself short. Or is it too late for that? G: (wryly) This supposed to be some sort of pep talk to get me to stay, Jen? J: (silently snorts). G: (with dawning realization) You don't want me back! J: No I don't. G: (sneers) Afraid you wont be able to handle me, Dir-rect-tor? J: (quietly serious) No Jethro, I am afraid you won't be able to handle yourself. You have already been in two comas - you might not come out of a third. But the fact is you're good. The best. When you're as good at something as you are and you can make a difference, you just don't quit. (Jenny turns and walks out leaving Gibbs sitting with nothing to do but think about her words.) Next day, Team Tony are arriving at work, exiting the lift together, with Ziva saying to McGee that he used to be a nice person. Z: I think sitting at Tony's desk has affected your personality. T: for the better! He picked up a girlfriend all by himself. Z: Yeah, at a funeral! T: You didn't tell me that. M: Well, you were right - because when women are vulnerable, get right in there... His speech dwindles to a halt as the team stops and stares into the squad room. Gibbs is at his old desk, still wearing a mustache but with his beard shaved off. The camera pans around the desks. Each agent's belongings have been packed and dumped on their old desks. Then we see Agent Lee, at the far end, standing holding her possessions, clearly evicted from the team space and with nowhere to go and looking shell-shocked. The looks on the team's faces are consternation, except for McGee whose super-white, super-broad grin becomes the end snapshot. End credits roll.

Singled Out

Season 4
Episode Number: 73
Season Episode: 3

Originally aired: Tuesday October 3, 2006 on CBS
Writer: David North
Director: Terrence O'Hara
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard)
Guest Stars: Heather Avery Clyde (Lt. Anne Sullivan (uncredited)), Mieko Hillman (Jennifer Murphy), Mike Beaver (Larry West), Claire Coffee (Nikki Crawshaw), Daniel Hagen (Calvin Hopper), Misha Collins (Justin Farris), Seamus Dever (Graham Thomas)
Production Code: 04003
Summary: An abandoned car is found full of blood, registered to a missing Navy lieutenant. The NCIS team learns that the missing lieutenant was profiling men, trying to find a perfect man for herself. When they find out that the woman intended to go to a seminar at a local hotel, Ziva goes undercover to find more information. Ducky is busy going through the profiles of the men. Jenny makes a secret offer to Tony.



The episode begins with two young women driving alongside an SUV and the driver flirting with one of them. When she is about to give him her number, they see a woman in his trunk, blood on her face, screaming for help.

Back at NCIS Director Shepard offers Tony a position as leader for an own team. He is reluctant to accept and asks for time to think about it. Leaving the director's office, he gets a call which he redirects to Gibbs (because he is not team

leader anymore). Gibbs takes the call and they leave for the SUV, which has been left on a parking lot. While Tony and Ziva are off to inspect the missing woman's apartment, Gibbs and McGee find traces that she has been dragged to another car. Meanwhile Tony and Ziva find the missing woman's flat searched and find out that she has been profiling targets.

Back at NCIS the team identifies the missing woman as Lt. Anne Sullivan, a computer geek working for the Navy. They also identify the driver as Justin Farris, a notorious car thief. Abby finds two prints, one of the victim and one of the "bad guy" and the victim's PC. Meanwhile Farris turns himself in because he claims to be innocent. He says he stole the SUV but did not know of the woman in the back. He tells Gibbs that he was tailed by a silver Honda.

Without a body to talk to, Ducky uses his newly acquired skills as a profiler to do a profile of the victim. Abby calls and tells Gibbs that the other print is not Ferris' and there was another man there. Meanwhile McGee and Abby are trying to crack the victim's data to find the reason for her profiles. Ducky suggests some passwords based on the victim's personal life, one of which proves to be correct. The team is amazed to find out that she used her military knowledge to find a husband. Abby also finds out that the victim was attending a "speed dating" event and probably

met the kidnapper there. They figure that the kidnapper will show up again to avoid detection and Ziva is chosen to dress up like a geek to attract him. Unfortunately none of the fingerprints she takes match the one in the SUV but they find someone whose silver Honda has been stolen.

The team finds out the address of a warehouse via a payphone which the possible kidnapper called. They discover that a heist on a coin convention is planned and that one of the thieves is among those who dated her as well as working for the hotel. He kidnapped her because she profiled him and he panicked. The team manages to thwart their scheme and is able to stop him from killing the Lieutenant at the last minute. The episode ends in the director's office where DiNozzo tells her that he does not want the promotion, which she has already figured out.

Faking It

Season 4
Episode Number: 74
Season Episode: 4

Originally aired: Tuesday October 10, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Shane Brennan
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role: Muse Watson (Mike Franks)
Guest Stars: Armando Molina (Miguel Fernandez), V.J. Foster (Arkady Kobach), Nolan North (Officer Lou Giotti), Albie Selznick (Marty Allen), Ravil Isyanov (Nikolai Puchenko), Geoff Pierson (Roy Carver)
Production Code: 04004
Summary: After police pull over a driver and arrest him for a concealed weapon, a car crashes into their patrol car with a dead man behind the wheel. The arrested man turns out to be Russian and Homeland Security claim he was working for them. The Russian is linked to an old case that Mike Franks worked on. Mike comes out of retirement to put the Russian behind bars.



The episode begins with a Russian-speaking man driving and talking on his mobile phone who is stopped by the police. When they see a colt in his car, they arrest him. Shortly afterwards a car crashes into the police man's car. The driver is dead and has written "NCIS" with his blood before dying.

This calls NCIS on the scene who set out to investigate. They find the body and think it to be an easy case. While Ziva tries to interrogate the suspect, Abby shows Gibbs what she found out, about the dead Marines call to 911 and the name of the suspect, who is also wanted by Homeland Security. Ducky meanwhile

explains that the bullet fired is not in the body nor there is an exit wound. Without a bullet, NCIS can't match it to the gun.

DiNozzo matches the suspect to a case in 1991, called "Operation Sunburst", whose files were taken by the CIA. He also finds out that the agent working on the case back then was Mike Franks, Gibbs' former teamleader. Gibbs calls him in Mexico to enquire about the operation. Mike tells him that there was another Russian involved back then. Ducky, at the same time with help from Abby, gets an idea where the bullet could be.

The suspect in custody has to be transferred to Homeland Security because NCIS cannot charge him with anything without a bullet. However, with Franks' help, Gibbs manages to keep him in custody for now. Ducky afterwards tells him where the bullet went...into the stomach. Since the victim lived a few minutes after being shot he most likely vomited it. The marine was

on foot when he was shot and the bullet therefore has to be around the place he was shot. Ziva and McGee are dispatched to find it while Tony's job is to protect Mike from the suspect's friend. Ziva and McGee, after some hard work, manage to find the bullet, while Tony fails to protect Mike and is knocked unconscious. When he re-awakes he does not remember what happened. Shortly thereafter, Mike is seen talking to the suspect's friend to strike a deal with him, offering to exchange incriminating evidence for \$500,000. NCIS finds out where the deal is to be struck and rushes in, with Gibbs killing a brute who was about to shoot at Mike. Mike, it turns out, struck the deal only to lure the suspect out. He then shoots him in cold-blood. As Mike returns to Mexico, the episode ends with Gibbs listening to the evidence tape that Franks was using as such a bargaining chip. It turns out to be just a music recording.

Dead and Unburied

Season 4

Episode Number: 75

Season Episode: 5

Originally aired: Tuesday October 17, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Nell Scovell
Director: Colin Bucksey
Show Stars: Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role: Liza Lapira (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee), Stephanie Mello (NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Tom Kiesche (Bob Whitehead), Derek Webster (Marine Capt. Stengel), Elisa Donovan (Rebecca Kemp), Rachel Boston (Siri Albert), Matt Winston (Rick Carvell), Rebecca Wisocky (Jody Carvell)
Production Code: 04005
Summary: When a missing Lance Corporal is found dead in a vacant house, the NCIS team discovers that he was buried in the backyard and then exhumed. They learn about his identity and that he was to be deployed to Iraq, but he never showed up for duty. The investigation leads them to a new clue—he had two fiancées. Abby runs the DNA samples from the two women to find out if the DNA is a match to the soil found on the dead man's body.



This episode opens with a real estate agent getting the shock of her life while doing a "showing" of a house to hopeful would-be home owners, as she discovers a months old dead body settled into a chair in front of the fireplace - in a house she'd shown only the previous day.

The team is called in to investigate the death of and belated discovery of the unfortunate Lance Corporal. Quickly determining the body had been buried, then dug up and placed inside the house the team divides up, McGee going to find the

place of burial, and Ziva questioning the real estate agent, who also turns out to be part owner of the house in question. It isn't until after the team returns to NCIS that things really take a turn for confusing when not one, but TWO fiancées of the dead Lance Corporal arrive in response to a news bulletin about the body's discovery. Apparently the dead Lance Corporal not only borrowed a large sum of money from each fiancée, he had been sending them letters from his post overseas for months after he died.

Things begin to come together in the case with the discovery of a "pal" who accepted \$200 dollars to regularly send letters to the girls from the dead Lance Corporal; and McGee and Ziva's discovery of a bag with \$78,000 in gold coins in the Corporal's rented storage locker. Meanwhile Abby discovers two matches for female dna found in the underwear the corpse was wearing - one of the fiancée's and, surprise!, one of the real estate agent who is part owner of the house.

While Gibbs is questioning the lady, Ducky first interrupts the interrogation to declare "she didn't do it", and then, with McGee and Abby's help, gets a confession - from the lady's husband.

The husband had jealously watched the meeting between his wife and the Lance Corporal, and, when an accident left the Corporal lying face-first in floor insulation with a severe blow to the head, had acted to protect his wife's future \$2 million dollar inheritance by burying the body. With the recent death of his wife's father, and the inheritance being secured, the husband had decided the "resurfacing" of the body might just leave him holding all the money, and his unfaithful wife in prison for the murder. Only after the husband confesses to "merely" burying the body of the man his wife had killed does Ducky reveals the Lance Corporal had still been alive when he was buried, leading to a furiously upset wife and somewhat stunned husband being led away.

The case isn't quite over though as an anxious Ziva reveals she left the bag of gold coins unattended on her desk and they are now missing. She's very relieved when Gibbs hands her a completed evidence check-in form, and then surprised to discover the amount is listed at only \$18,000 - Gibbs having saved the court some paperwork and returning the "borrowed" money to the Lance Corporal Fiancée's. Only one problem...McGee then introduces Gibbs to a just arrived THIRD fiancée.

Witch Hunt

Season 4

Episode Number: 76

Season Episode: 6

Originally aired: Tuesday October 31, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Steven Kriozere
Director: James Whitmore Jr.
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Robert Reinis (Drew Paragon), David Earnest (Marine Sgt. Erik Niles), Mary Matilyn Mouser (Kelly Gibbs), Kali Majors (Sarah Niles), Katie A. Keane (Laurie Niles), Graham Shiels (Martin Jansen), Susan Diol (Dr. Leslie Burke), Garikayi Mutambirwa (Augie Breen), Scott Michael Campbell (Robert Miller), Cheryl White (Rebecca Biddle)
Production Code: 04006
Summary: It's Halloween and the NCIS team is busy investigating a ransom case. A Marine's daughter has been kidnapped after the kidnapper attacked a Marine in his home. The investigation leads them to a fact that the couple has been separated. They decide to focus on the wife's ex-boyfriend, after learning that the woman is the one who destroyed their marriage. Meanwhile, McGee and Tony are stunned by Abby's Halloween costume.



It is Halloween and the team is working at NCIS when a call comes in that a Marine has been shot and his daughter been kidnapped. The team sets out to investigate, spoiling McGee's Halloween date with an attractive cheerleader. They arrive at the house to find a dead man dressed as a skeleton - the Marine was able to make it to his neighbor's house and has been taken to hospital. During investigation the Marine's wife returns and is shocked to find out her daughter has been kidnapped. At NCIS Ducky examines the body and Abby, dressed as Marilyn Monroe to the guys' delight, is

working on identifying the dead John Doe. With the help of a partial license plate, left by the fleeing car in a smashed pumpkin, they manage to identify the car used for the kidnapping, a "Kuruma" as a witness described it (which is a car name used in Grand Theft Auto III - the real car is a Chrysler Sebring). Unfortunately the car was reported stolen 3 days earlier. The kidnappers call in the mean time and demand \$100,000 from the shocked mother.

DiNozzo and McGee manage to identify the ex-boyfriend of the wife, a suspect for he tried to have a paternal test for the daughter, claiming he was the real father. They set out with Gibbs to question him, finding the stolen car parked before his apartment. But the suspect was at a party all the day (and thus at the time of the kidnapping) which makes NCIS think that he was

to be framed. Abby meanwhile identifies the John Doe as an ex-Airforce-member who works at the same law firm as the Marine's wife as a security guard, which leads NCIS to question the motives for the kidnapping. They race to the law firm to find out that the kidnapper's only goal was to have \$3,000,000 transferred from the law firm's accounts. This plan is spoiled when the team arrives in time to take out the kidnapper and to rescue the little girl.

Sandblast

Season 4

Episode Number: 77

Season Episode: 7

Originally aired: Tuesday November 7, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Robert Palm
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard)
Recurring Role: Susanna Thompson (Army Lt. Col. Hollis Mann), Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit)
Guest Stars: Enzo Cilenti (Mamoun Sharif), David Fabrizio (Marine Col. Frederick Cooper), Arnell Powell (Abraham Moussalah), Blake Bashoff (Josh Cooper)
Production Code: 04007
Summary: When a Marine Colonel dies in an explosion at a military golf course, the NCIS team must investigate a suspected terrorist attack with the help from the Army Criminal Investigative Division (CID). The CIA gives them a lead to an abandoned warehouse, but it turns out to be a trap—the warehouse is set to explode. McGee uses his computer skills to break into the secret government files to uncover the terrorist cell.



When a Marine Colonel is killed by an explosion on a military only golf course, Gibbs and his team set out to investigate. He is not too happy to be assisted by Army Lt. Col. Hollis Mann, who forces him to share jurisdiction on this case but he is unable to stop her. He reluctantly agrees to work with her, as it turns out she is more than a match for Gibbs, being comparable in stubbornness and character.

The CIA is able to give the team a lead to an abandoned warehouse but it turns out the place is rigged with explosives. Ziva decides that they can't wait for the

disposal team and manages to disarm the bomb herself, preventing the clues in the warehouse from being destroyed. The CIA refuses to tell the team who their tip giver was, so McGee traces him to a convenience store run by a Mamoun Sharif. He helps the team and gives them a video tape of the alleged terrorist who he claims talked about the explosion in his store.

Later it turns out that Sharif was the bad guy all along and the team is informed that a homeless guy was given a backpack by Sharif, not knowing it was a bomb and was asked to meet him at a promenade. Gibbs and his team reach him in time, where Gibbs dresses as a civilian not to catch Sharif or the homeless guy's attention and Ziva is able to disable the bomb before it explodes. Sharif on the other hand, who was watching from the crowd, manages to escape (he makes his next appearance in *Sharif Returns*).

Meanwhile the dead Colonel's son takes his father's death in a terrorist attack very hard and decides to drop out of college to join the Marines. Tony, who tries to bond with him, convinces

him to finish college after all, stating that with his college education he can help the cause much better.

Once a Hero

Season 4

Episode Number: 78

Season Episode: 8

Originally aired: Tuesday November 14, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Shane Brennan
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer), Liza Lapira (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee), Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit)
Guest Stars: Ned Schmidtke (Congressman Frank Getz), Laura P. Vega (Maria), Michael Gilden (Marty Pearson), Ming Lo (Davey Chen), Jonathan M. Woodward (Andy Nelson), Francesco Quinn (Luis Romero)
Production Code: 04008
Summary: When an honored Marine veteran is found dead in a hotel, the NCIS team must find out what happened to him. Soon they realize that the Marine didn't commit suicide and that he was a homeless man. After going through his stuff, they find compromising evidence against him, and Gibbs is determined to prove the man's innocence.



When suspicious activity surrounds the death of a decorated marine, NCIS tries to clear his name.

A decorated marine falls from the 6th floor of a hotel onto a conference held below, narrowly missing Director Shepard. The initial assumption is that of a suicide, especially when a note inscribed with "Help Me" is found on his body and it is revealed that Sergeant Wright was troubled young man and on medical leave. A Congressman's aide deliver-

ing documents to a defence contractor gives evidence that he had been attacked by Wright, shortly before the incident.

Wright managed to gain access to the hotel (which was under lock-down) through a former fellow marine, Luis Romero, now a supervisor at the hotel. Romero had allowed Wright to stay in rooms down for maintenance. While interviewing Romero and searching Wright's room, another body is discovered by maids in the hotel, that belonging to a 14-year-old Chinese girl. The team is fearful that Wright may have been responsible for her rape and death, especially when his master card, granting access to all rooms is found in the girl's room and Wright's saliva is found on the girl's face.

One strand of hair is found on the girl's body but it cannot be matched conclusively to Wright's DNA as Abby's microscopes are not strong enough to see down to the nanoscopic level. Abby manages to temporarily use such a microscope at a forensic exhibition and discovers that the owner of the hair strand had previously been vaccinated against anthrax. Wright never received the vaccine and McGee theorises that the 'help me' note was not actually written by Wright but by the girl and Wright had picked up the note when he had taken the half-eaten plates left outside

the room for himself to eat. Wright had, upon discovering the note, returned to the room and tried to revive the girl using CPR.

The team suspects that the Congressman's aide previously interviewed was vaccinated against anthrax and is connected to the Chinese girl. He subsequently confesses to paying a Chinese man to sleep with her and the cuts and bruises on his face were received not from Wright but from the girl. The team must discover where Davey Chen, who is running the sex-trade ring, has kept the other young girls and sends Special Agent Lee undercover as the dead girl's sister to find more information. Unfortunately Chen uncovers the ruse and the team rush in to the warehouse to find her in time. They corner the men at the base of their operations and discover the van of girls.

Twisted Sister

Season 4

Episode Number: 79

Season Episode: 9

Originally aired: Tuesday November 21, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Steven D. Binder
Director: Terrence O'Hara
Show Stars: Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role: Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit), Liza Lapira (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Fidel Gomez (Jordan Block), John Cabrera (Officer Samuel Tate), Katherine Bailess (Madison), April Matson (Carolyn), Troian Avery Bellisario (Sarah)
Production Code: 04009
Summary: McGee breaks the rules, risking his NCIS job, to help his sister Sara, who shows up disoriented and bloodied. While he works on figuring out what happened to his sister, the NCIS team is investigating a case of a Navy sailor, who is somehow connected to McGee's sister. Both Tony and Abby are busy with love problems, while McGee turns out to have another secret.



When Agent McGee's sister Sarah arrives at his house at around 2:00 in the morning disoriented, with bloodied hands and claiming that she killed someone, its up to him to figure out the truth. Upon further investigation McGee suspects that Sarah might have been drugged due to the fact the she barely recalled the incident. Against regulations McGee keeps Sarah in his apartment and away from NCIS. Meanwhile, Gibbs and the team are investigating the death of a seaman at a college, which is the same college that

Sarah goes to. A cell phone found at the crime scene revealed that the phone in fact was Sarah's and that the blood on her hands was the seaman's. After learning this, Sarah runs away from McGee's apartment, and he is forced to reveal everything to Gibbs. Despite the evidence, McGee is convinced that Sarah is innocent, and must find the evidence needed before Sarah is charged with murder.

Smoked

Season 4

Episode Number: 80

Season Episode: 10

Originally aired: Tuesday November 28, 2006 on CBS
Writer: John C. Kelley, Robert Palm
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto)
Recurring Role: David Dayan Fisher (Trent Kort), Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit), Liza Lapira (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee), Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Marcella Lentz-Pope (Amy Bright), Rico Anderson (Rick Samson), Christopher Michael Moore (Miles Larson), Michael Gilden (Marty Pearson), Mandy June Turpin (Karen Bright), Don Franklin (FBI Agent Ron Sacks)
Production Code: 080
Summary: When a burnt and mummified body of a missing and wanted person is found on a Marine base, in a furnace, NCIS must work with FBI. The burnt man turns out to be a serial killer. The both teams visit the man's family and discover something shocking. Also, the NCIS team must deal with the book McGee wrote about them, using "fictional" characters.



A literally smoked body is found at a school in Quantico and the FBI believes it to be a serial killer they hunted for years. Fornell is confident, as he was on the team that "caught Bundy" (the legendary serial killer), but he reluctantly sets out with Agent Gibbs after finding out the man was murdered on base. Upon inspection of the wife's home, skeletons are found in shallow graves behind the home. It is later determined that the time TOD for all the bodies were after her husband went missing. McGee must also deal with fallout from his co-workers' discovery of his book, which is a parody of their lives.

Driven

Season 4

Episode Number: 81

Season Episode: 11

Originally aired: Tuesday December 12, 2006 on CBS
Writer: Richard Arthur, John Kelley, Nell Scovell
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role: David Dayan Fisher (Trent Kort), Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Jennifer Lynne Wetzel (Navy Lt. Roni Seabrook), Sandra Hess (Regine Smidt), Ajay Mehta (Parviz Najar), Corey Stoll (Martin Quinn), Deidrie Henry (Tracy Taylor), Kevin Alejandro (Jaime Jones), Peter Giles (Torsten Engler), Lawrence Pressman (Dr. Russell Pike)
Production Code: 082
Summary: When a robotic vehicle named "Otto," a part of a high level project of the Department of Defense, causes a death of a Navy Lieutenant, and then later almost kills Abby, the NCIS team must find out who sabotaged the vehicle and murdered the Navy Lieutenant. Meanwhile, Ziva realizes that Tony keeps on visiting the hospital. What is he doing there?



A female Navy lieutenant Roni Seabrook was testing out the system of a 2nd generation artificial intelligence driven vehicle in the morning and is killed by carbon monoxide poisoning. In the same time the NCIS team except Ducky are stuck in a seminar about sexual harassment in the workplace until Gibbs receives a phone call that allows them to escape it and turn their attention towards the aforementioned dead Navy lieutenant.

The team learns that the prototype is constructed for a contest of AI driven ve-

hicles held by the US Navy thus the company working with it ("Azeon") are very reluctant to offer any help for they fear the prototype might get damaged. The team meanwhile speculates why the Navy lieutenant might be killed. They consider sabotage by a competitor when they stumble upon security footage which shows the chief mechanic Jamie Jones sexually harassing the lieutenant the night before. All videos of the time of her death though have been erased which leads them to conclude that she was definitely murdered.

Ducky meanwhile is performing an autopsy on the dead body, confirming Palmer's assumptions that she has been murdered with carbon monoxide poisoning. Additionally he confirms traces of male genetics on the body, strengthening the assumption that Jamie Jones is responsible. The team splits up, McGee and Abby are to find out how the vehicle was used to kill the lieutenant and Tony and Ziva are to check the lieutenant's apartment (on the way to it Tony visits his girlfriend in the hospital she is working in). Gibbs in the same time revisits the company's garage and talks to the owner. Tony and Ziva are surprised to find Jamie Jones in the

lieutenant's bedroom tied to her bed. Down in the NCIS lab, Abby gets trapped the same way the lieutenant did and is rescued at the last second by Gibbs who returned to check on them.

McGee is tasked to find out how the car was reprogrammed to act the way it did while Gibbs and the others confront Jones who is surprised about the lieutenant's death and claims to have dated her with all the harassment scenes being role playing in the relationship. When Jones is completely freaked out by her death Gibbs understands that maybe they got the wrong suspect. McGee meanwhile figured out how the car was used to kill the lieutenant: The killer used a SD-card to flash a program into the car's computer to be executed when the conditions where met (i.e. when the victim tries to unbuckle the seat belt). Tony is called to the director and gets an unrelated task surveying three suspects NCIS is tracking for some time). Back in the lab McGee and Abby find the SD-card and Jones helps them to reassemble the car.

The Azeon team arrives at NCIS to assist and they are shocked when they find out the car drove off on itself (someone accessed it to send it away). The team (with Jones' help) traces the car back and finds it empty, the SD-card missing. Abby finds out that the command was sent from inside Azeon. The team arrests Engler (one of the technicians) when they find out that his computer was used to send the command to steer Otto but they trick Dr. Pike, Azeon's owner, to reveal himself as the real killer.

Suspicion

Season 4
Episode Number: 82
Season Episode: 12

Originally aired: Tuesday January 16, 2007 on CBS
Writer: Shane Brennan
Director: Colin Bucksey
Show Stars: Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Scuito), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit)
Guest Stars: Mark Derwin (Marine Major Bradley Raines), Brian Howe (Sherriff Tom Barrett), Jon Curry (Deputy Tyler Barrett), Cas Anvar (Masoud Tariq), Lynsey Bartilson (Ruby Rae), John Beasley (Daryl Hardy), Victor Raider-Wexler (Patrick Carmody), Necar Zadegan (Marine Lt. Rihama Shaheen)
Production Code: 081
Summary: When a Marine Lieutenant from Saudi Arabian descent is murdered in a hotel room in a small town, NCIS is called in to investigate. However, the local Sheriff's department already cleaned up the crime scene and an autopsy was performed. Involved in this case are an Iraqi who was relocated to the US for providing intelligence and some locals.



When a Marine Lieutenant of Kuwaiti descent is murdered in a hotel room in a small town, NCIS is called in to investigate. However, the local Sheriff's department already cleaned up the crime scene and an autopsy was performed. Involved in this case are an Iraqi who was relocated to the US for providing intelligence and some locals.

At the end of the episode, while Tony and Jeanne settle down for a night together, we quickly see three pictures taken of them through the bedroom window. The photographer, at this stage, remains a mystery.

Sharif Returns

Season 4

Episode Number: 83

Season Episode: 13

Originally aired: Tuesday January 23, 2007 on CBS
Writer: Steven D. Binder
Director: Terrence O'Hara
Show Stars: Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer), Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit), Susanna Thompson (Army Lt. Col. Hollis Mann)
Guest Stars: Enzo Cilenti (Mamoun Sharif), Victor Webster (Dane Hogan), David Starzyk (Allan J. Carter), David Barrera (Charlie Milla), Rob Brownstein (Wayne Gordon), Brandon Molale (Army CID Special Agent Jack Reynolds)
Production Code: 084
Summary: When the NCIS team learns that the missing 10 kilograms of highly toxic chemical weapons are now in the hands of Mamoun Sharif, a wanted terrorist, they will have to find a way to find the man and stop him before it's too late with the aid from Army Lt. Col. Hollis Mann and constant phone calls from Sharif himself.



Sharif (from Sandblast) returns to threaten the United States' security with chemical weapons, thus NCIS and Army CID work together one more time to stop him, this time for good. Sharif perishes when the NCIS team corners him in the restroom and kills him.

Following a recurring plot thread throughout the series, Gibbs' boat is inexplicably missing from his basement and a new, smaller construction has been started. Gibbs is quizzed about how he managed to get the boat out of the basement, but he changes the subject.

Blowback

Season 4

Episode Number: 84

Season Episode: 14

Originally aired: Tuesday February 6, 2007 on CBS
Writer: Christopher Silber
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs)
Recurring Role: David Dayan Fisher (Trent Kort), Armand Assante (La Grenouille), Stephanie Mello (NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner)
Guest Stars: Corey Stoll (Martin Quinn), Assaf Cohen (Eli "Goliath" Lisack), Jim Parrack (Nick Hurley), Fred Tate (Charles Harrow), David Batiste (Max Phillips), Sandra Hess (Regine Smidt)
Production Code: 083
Summary: After catching an international arms dealer, the NCIS team learns that Navy's highly classified weapons system will be sold to "La Grenouille," an important arms dealer. To stop the transaction, the team will send Ducky undercover. Meanwhile, another government agency appears to be working on the same case, with different plans.



NCIS agents Ziva and DiNozzo kidnap an Israeli arms dealer (nicknamed "Goliath") who has been selling his merchandise to terrorists. They inject him with a knock-out serum. He wakes up in a jet, with Gibbs, DiNozzo, and Ziva telling him that he is going to be turned over to the President of Zaire for selling his military malfunctioning weapons. He tells them that he knows who is selling the US government's secret cruise missile targeting system, named "Ares", after the Greek God of War. He will tell them who it is in exchange for returning to Washington DC.

Off-camera, he has apparently told them the seller's name, but he discovers that they never left DC. During a search of Goliath's e-mails from his computer, of which he gave NCIS the user ID and password, DiNozzo discovers a photo of a man he had photographed during an undercover operation for the NCIS Director, Jennifer Shepard, eight weeks ago. Since DiNozzo is under orders not to reveal the details of that operation to anyone, including Gibbs and the rest of the NCIS team, he feigns ignorance to Gibbs, and goes to the Director to report the photograph to her. Ziva and McGee tail the seller of the Ares system, Charles Harrow. After spotting them, he tries to run away, but has a heart attack and dies. Later, after entering Harrow's home, the two find it filled with sophisticated computer equipment. After bringing Harrow's equipment to NCIS in Abby's lab, she and McGee find the Ares microchips stuffed into condom packets, while the main hardware is disguised as a twenty year old computer that has been retrofitted to modern standards. Needing to find out who the winning bidder of the Ares system is, McGee realizes that Harrow used an internet cafe where he and Ziva had spotted him, earlier. Using an apparently

illegal technique, McGee uses the NCIS computers to track the e-mail Harrow had sent from the cafe to the winning bidder, who turns out to be "La Grenouille" (French for "The Frog"), a man the Director has been after for over a decade. Since Harrow is dead, NCIS needs to find an agent with a British accent who can go undercover as Harrow. Dr Mallard fits the bill perfectly. The e-mail that McGee found indicates that the exchange is to take place in Quebec in five hours. The Director calls in a favor, apparently to Quebec authorities. Later, in Quebec, Ziva and Dinozzo are set as snipers to protect Dr Mallard and to kill "La Grenouille", who they believe is the man in the photograph from Harrow's e-mail. After Dr Mallard passes a check by one of the "La Grenouille's" henchmen, he is directed to a jet where the scruffy-looking man from the photograph appears. Via a tiny transceiver in his ear, Dr Mallard listens to instructions from the NCIS team, who are well hidden nearby. They tell him to give the Ares hardware to the man's female assistant for testing. When it proves to be genuine, the man makes an elaborate sweeping motion using his cellphone light. It is a signal, from which a well-dressed man appears from the shadows. It turns out to be "La Grenouille", who used the other man as a decoy, in case something went wrong. Convinced that Dr Mallard is Harrow, he offers Mallard a drink of 200 year old Cognac. Afterwards, they exit the car, with "La Grenouille" about to board the jet. The NCIS Director is about to order Ziva and Dinozzo to shoot him, when she receives a phone call on her cell phone, at which point she quickly orders them to stand down. The scruffy man comes out of the jet and hands Dr Mallard a bag of diamonds as payment, but then suddenly pulls the NCIS transceiver from Dr Mallard's ear and, speaking into it, asks if NCIS got the message. The NCIS Director acknowledges that they did, so the man returns to the jet. It turns out that he is a CIA operative. The episode ends with the NCIS Director pouring the diamonds onto her desk as Gibbs enters her office. She tells him that Ares had been rendered useless by a computer virus.

Friends & Lovers

Season 4

Episode Number: 85

Season Episode: 15

Originally aired: Tuesday February 13, 2007 on CBS
Writer: John C. Kelley
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard)
Recurring Role: Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer), Liza Lapira (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee)
Guest Stars: Daz Crawford (Matt Barrows), Debbie Campbell (Mary Elizabeth Donahue), Brady Smith (David Cross), Jonno Roberts (Scott Pell), Corri English (Lisa Delgado), Dean Cechvala (Frank Holtz), J.R. Cacia (Detective John Carson), Michael Whaley (Detective J.D. Morris)
Production Code: 085
Summary: When a dead body of a sailor is found in an abandoned part of the town, all the evidence seem to point that the person died from unintentional drug overdose, but when the team uncovers more evidence, it turns out to be a murder. Meanwhile, Tony bonds with a local detective while working on the case.



A couple sneak into an abandoned, dilapidated restaurant where the man intends to propose marriage, recreating their original date 10 years ago. They banter about how long they have been friends and how much time has been wasted before his proposal. He kneels to propose and stumbles over the words. She tries to encourage him, thinking he has cold feet over asking will you marry me? but we soon realize that it's because his eyes have strayed past the woman to a maggot infested corpse. She sees it too.

She screams. Opening credits In the basement of the NCIS building, Ziva is running a training session for the other agents on knife throwing. She demonstrates with a perfect shot on the paper target. DiNozzo and McGee are skeptical as to whether Gibbs approves of knives. Tony then has a go and is surprisingly good. He attributes it to years of summer camp. McGee is useless. Tony asks maths camp? McGee chess camp Agent Lee has a go and almost kills Gibbs as he arrives to announce the roll out to the murder of a sailor. At the crime scene, Ducky estimates 4 or 5 days dead. Gibbs finds a pink ticket on the body. McGee is ordered to collect the maggots and offers 100 bucks to Ziva to do it for him. Back at the office, they identify the dead sailor as PO Davidson, last seen in a bar in Georgetown, who left with a girl before closing time. McGee has disappeared from the office. Gibbs sends Ziva to find him so she goes into the mens room, shocking McGee as he obsessively washes his hands after handling the maggots. Ziva offers to help McGee get over his maggoty fears and, when McGee refuses her help, asks why. McGee responds Much like the concept of the men's room, it's personal. In autopsy, Ducky and Palmer discuss

cause of death with Gibbs. Alcohol and drugs bender, seemingly self-inflicted death via drug abuse. Abby's lab, where Abby is talking to her mass spectrometer as if it is a medieval knight I hereby accept your challenge. We meet on the field at dawn. Weapons: caffiene-fueled intellect versus cold silica-based intelligence. Until then, I bid you a good day, Sir. She turns from the machine to realize that she has been caught by Ziva and McGee. She explains that the machine spat out a chemical composition that she didn't recognize and she starts to run it through her computer. McGee asks what he can tell Gibbs about the pink card found on the victim, which he thinks is more urgent. Abby complains about being only one person to do all the tests and then advises McGee that he should Tell him you love him, McGee, it works for me. Gibbs enters, remarking Not all the time. as he hands Abby a Caf-Pow. Abby reports that the sailor was given the poison that comes from the Oleander bush. Conclusion: murder. Cut to scene in swanky bar, Jeanne on a phone talking intensely to ex-boyfriend accusing him of being a stalker. She is trying to keep Tony from overhearing her. Tony orders martinis for two and watches her across the bar. She finishes the call, returns and accepts martini but gulps it before he can offer a toast. Her stress is evident. She reads his eyes and face. Without prompting from Tony, she reads his mind, asserting that she can handle the problem and doesnt need him to do it. So he thinks of something else and asks her to read him mind now. She says they are not to skip dinner as she is hungry for food. He concedes he wanted to skip dinner and just go home to bed. He orders oysters as an appetiser aphrodisiac whilst they wait for their table. They sit. He compliments her. Quietly intense. She proffers a valentines gift (the show aired near valentines day in USA). He admits he hasnt bought a gift. She is pleased that he is honest about it. He opens her gift: a platinum wrist tag for hospital patients, reminding him of the real one she put on him previously to keep him focused on her. The inscription on this new one reads Tony, love Jeanne. Mental Ward He says I've never had a gift this unique,nor a woman As they kiss, her phone rings. The ex-boyfriend stalker. Tony wants to intervene and she resists. She wins. The oysters arrive. She decides they can skip dinner after all. Next day in the office, Ziva demonstrates her dancing skills to an oblivious Tony. Nothing distracts him from searching the internet for a holiday trip. Then civilian police arrive with a junkie who saw something at the crimescene. One of the cops, John, seems the equivalent of DiNozzo. John notices and recognises Ziva's accent as Israeli and uses it to start to flirt with Ziva. Turns out that the junkie holds one of the deceased sailor's credit cards. Gibbs interrogates the witness who says he saw sailor in the alley outside a club. Sailor was already drugged. Junkie robbed him, leaving him to die. Gibbs is unimpressed. Abby is in her lab, mystified by the laminated card that was recovered from the sailor's body. It is too clean and she suspects the murderer wanted the card to be found. She and McGee spot a spot that is puzzling. Is it a message from the murderer? Office scene. Local cops explain that the owner of the private club where the death ocured is untouchable and unraidable. Smart owner protects his rich clients from police drugs raids. You have to be rich to get in, not a mere sailor. Gibbs comments or have something they want Gibbs takes everyone to hear the report from Abby. Abby and McGee explain that the pink laminated card left on the body is an intentional clue. She also demonstates that the sailor's boot has a hollow heel with drugs in it. The spot on the card is a bloodstain, intentionally left to be found. Abby gives everyone coloured glasses so that they can see that the luminol on the card reveals expect more written in blood. Tony declares it creepy. Gibbs Ya think, DiNozzo? Ducky in autopsy tells Gibbs that the sailor ingested the poison as a liquid, so bitter that booze would have to disguise it. The note found on the body said expect more and a few cases of the spiked booze could be used to wipe out a club. Ducky ponders could the poisoner be a woman, as they prefer poison? Gibbs comments That would explain why my last ex-wife spent so much time in the kitchen. As Ducky and Gibbs leave, Agent Lee and Palmer emerge from a tryst on the lower shelf of an autopsy table. Lee runs away. Palmer lays back and smiles. Office discussion with local cops about the club. They have no basis for a search warrant as no one can place the sailor inside the club. Metro police insist on a warrant, doing it by the rulebook. Gibbs storms into Director Shepards office with Agent Lee trailing behind. Gibbs laments This legal person, meaning Agent Lee, not getting him a warrant. Gibbs rants about knuckling under to the Metro cops but Lee stands her ground that a witness is needed to allow a warrant and a warrant is needed to go into the club. Gibbs is disgusted. He leaves. Door slams again. Director reassures Lee, but Lee says that Gibbs is right. Director He usually is, that's what makes him so damn irritating. Tony at the hospital visits Dr Jeanne, who is opening an envelope with tickets to Bermuda. Delighted, she thanks him. What could be a more perfect Valentine?

Dinozzo, ruefully and unhappily waving his own tickets says A weekend in the Bahamas? Jeanne realises the Bermuda tickets are from her ex, and tears them up. Tony challenges her as to how similar he must be to the ex since they bought nearly identical gifts for her. Tony gets quite mean in his tone and is clearly upset about the ex-boyfriend not giving up. She refutes the similarity and insists that she must handle the problem as it is hers. Dinozzo whispers exactly wrong. This is our problem, Jeanne and hands her the tickets and leaves. In the office, local cop says We need to talk, Gibbs and Gibbs halts, hesitates, taps his coffee, and then beckons him into the lift. Ziva and John observe them exit. John queries We should call the paramedics? Ziva answers No need. If they fight, it will be to the death. In the lift, the local cop is told Talk. Local cop declares that he was once like Gibbs. Gibbs sneers You were never like me. So local cop tells of a bust gone wrong where the bad guy walked because the cops lacked a warrant and thus bad guy was free to rape and kill a child. Cop declares he is not making that mistake again. Gibbs queries, in an intense whisper, whether the mistake was not getting a warrant? Or not killing the bastard? Our impression, and the cop's, is that the cop really is nothing like as tough as Gibbs. DiNozzo arrives in office, noting that, with the boss using the lift as an office again, he had to use the stairs. He shows what he found: a marine's description of the sailor's last date, who in turn was identified by the parking attendants. He has a good sketch which allowed him to get a name. Gibbs is impressed. But they can't find her immediately. Gibbs announces a stakeout to find her entering or leaving the club where she plys her trade. Tony and John, the friendly cop, are in the surveillance van, settling in for stakeout. They discuss their girlie magazines. Tony reveals I shouldn't be looking at it at all, I'm trying to wrap my head around the idea of a monogamous relationship. John That takes serious retraining. Tony Tell me about it. John awwgh, you're not in love are you? Tony Could be. John Could be, my friend, isn't love. They trade stories. John describes getting engaged and screwing it up by sleeping with the fiancée's best friend. He clearly mourns the loss and Tony sympathises. But they both open the girlie magazines. John gives Tony a look. Tony replies Baby steps. Abby's lab. Ziva is confused by the Valentines decor in Abs lab, with the implication that it seems closer to Halloween decor. Gibbs enters and asks for progress, handing over a Caf-Pow complete with decorated straw, featuring a furry, red heart that says I love you. Abby receives it with a smile and we ponder the friends and lovers title of this episode. She reports that the blood on the card is a woman's blood. Ziva assumes the woman is the killer but Abby reveals that she was murdered 2 months ago, on Christmas Eve. Gibbs Abby Ziva and McGee in office to hear report on the dead girl from the local cop. Cop reads out toxicology analysis and Abby says it means an overdose on oleander poison. Gibbs sarcastically points out to local cop that it would have been useful information to have two days ago. The woman's file reveals a picture of one footprint in blood at the murder scene, which the local cop says was the killer's only mistake. They all look at the boot print. Gibbs declares It wasn't a mistake. Jeanne on phone to Tony, who is in the van with John. Jeanne confesses that perhaps Tony was right and she hadn't truly split with her ex. She says that she has now told the ex about Tony. They tell each other I love you. The sotto voce discussion is overheard by John, who reads Tony's face and body language, as cold feet after asking her to marry him. Tony says he didn't ask her. John you gonna? Tony I can't live a lie. John what does that mean? Tony I don't want to end up like you John confesses that all he has to do is not drink, for the mess would not have happened if John had been sober. He states that he has now quit drinking because of his lost love. The discussion of John's drinking distracts the viewer from Tony's obscure statement that he cannot live a lie so he has not asked Jeanne to marry him. This must mean that Tony's romance with Jeanne is not as it appears. Given Jeanne's French name and Tony's undercover work for Director Shepard to find La Grenouille, the French arms dealer, and Tony's inner turmoil despite finding Jeanne so perfect, the viewer is entitled to suspect a much deeper subplot than a mere romance. Meanwhile, in the office, Gibbs prints out a picture of the boot footprint and asks whether the team has ever read Mad Magazine. McGee says only until his mother burned his copies. Abby catches onto Gibbs' point. She sees that the print is like the back cover in the Mad magazine. Turn it into a three-fold concertina, and you get a different image emerge. This one reads Dead Whore The shoe print is a message from a serial killer. But, local cop queries, shouldn't that mean that the dead sailor is a whore? In the surveillance van, the cops and Tony watch the rich and beautiful arrive at the club. The cops lament that they never managed to infiltrate the club, assuming a bent cop tipped them off. Gibbs arrives and says he has someone who can get into the club without a warrant. It's the famous novelist, Thom E Gemcity. The cops ask who? Tony says Don't ask,

John. I'd vomit explaining. McGee arrives in a limo with Abby, Ziva and Lee as his girls, dressed to the nines. As they walk towards the bouncers/doormen, Gibbs issues instructions to find the missing woman and get her outside. McGee asks how? Gibbs exasperatedly points out Well, she's a hooker Tim. Use your imagination. Agent Lee is having difficulty walking as her piece (gun) is hidden in such an uncomfortable place because her skirt is so short. McGee's fame gains them all entrance to the club as the doorman is a fan of McGee's novel, *Deep Six*, written as Thom E Gemcity. But the cops in the surveillance van spot the woman they are after in the back alley. The club owner emerges to talk to the woman. The cops start to move. Cut to woman as she asks owner for money. He accuses her of letting in the sailor. They discuss how the sailor was trying to kill the woman, using poison. Owner says that killing the sailor saved the woman. They argue. He snaps her neck. Cops and Tony arrive. Shootout. Owner dead. John, the cop, asks did we hit her? Tony says it looks like owner broke her neck. John collapses. He has been shot in the chest. He knows he is dying despite Tony's encouraging words. Gibbs arrives. Checks the dead people for pulses. John dies. Tony, who had been trying to staunch the bleeding with his hands, takes a deep breath, stands, looks across at Gibbs, who eyes Tony's reaction, a pinched look on his face. No words needed. Abby's lab. Abby is full of self-recrimination for missing the clue on the sole of the boot. McGee notes that the story would make a good plot for a book. Ziva laughs. In Jeanne's apartment, Jeanne is looking at email. Finds 3 from her ex-boyfriend. She steals a look at Tony, checking that he remains asleep on her couch. Tony sleeps in the pose of an exhausted child, on his side, hand tucked under his head, knees curled, bathed in the glow of soft lamplight. Jeanne opens the latest email. The message reads I get it now Jeanne. Wont bug you again. Goodbye love She opens the attached photo. It is a beautiful portrait of a happy Jeanne and John, the local cop. She does not react with mourning or shock, so we assume she remains unaware that Tony has been working with John and that John has been shot. She hits the delete command. It checks Are you sure you want to delete the file permanently? She clicks yes and the face of Tony's new friend, her ex-lover, disintegrates to a black screen. end credits roll

Dead Man Walking

Season 4
Episode Number: 86
Season Episode: 16

Originally aired:	Tuesday February 20, 2007 on CBS
Writer:	Nell Scovell
Director:	Colin Bucksey
Show Stars:	Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role:	Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer), Liza Lapira (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee)
Guest Stars:	Marc Vann (Mark Sadowski), Scott Klace (Dr. Timothy Hass), Kate Norby (Diane Russo), Erin Torpey (Holly Stegman), Diane Delano (Dee Dee Chesney), Matthew Mardsen (Navy Lt. Roy Sanders)
Production Code:	086
Summary:	When a Navy Lieutenant becomes the victim of radiation poisoning, the NCIS team must find the person who's behind the crime. The Lieutenant, who is working for the IAEA (International Atomic Energy Agency), claims that only his two colleagues knew about his assignment, and whoever it was, the person tried to stop the Lieutenant's next investigation.



Tony and Ziva speculate on how much McGee's new leather jacket must have cost him (\$2000, another reference that his writing earns him good money) when he enters, escorting a man who looks very sick. The man identifies himself as Lt. Sanders working for the IAEA and asks Gibbs to investigate a murder, his own. Apparently he has been poisoned by radiation poisoning, which Ducky is trying to find out while Ziva tries to place him, being sure she met him before. McGee in the same time has his clothes checked because Sanders coughed on him, even his new expensive Armani jacket which he fears Abby will stain. Ducky in the

same time finds out that Sanders is poisoned with alpha emissions, as it turns out Thallium. Ziva escorts Sanders to the Navy hospital and Gibbs and Tony talk to his co-workers and check his work-place.

In the hospital, Sanders is treated with "Prussian blue" and Ziva finds out where she knows him from: he usually runs in the morning and their paths cross every day. As Ziva learns more about him, she falls in love with him and is getting angry that she can't do anything to save him. She even expressed jealousy when one of his female co-workers who visited him touched him. The doctor then tells her that he is becoming sicker, not better, most likely because someone is still poisoning him. The team first think it's one of his co-workers and they bring him in for questioning, but this proves to be a dead end when the coworker becomes sick as well and

security footage shows him being near Sanders when the latter smoked cigars who were filled with Thallium. The team then focuses on the other co-workers and about the changed plans for the next week. When they find out that a nuclear plant in Uzbekistan, scheduled for inspection, is apparently re-assembling engines for the manufacturing of nuclear weapons, it becomes clear that someone tries to keep the IAEA from inspecting it. The team checks with Sanders on who knew about the inspection and they are able to arrest the co-worker who is responsible.

When the episode ends, Ziva and Sanders are in the hospital garden, holding hands. The viewer is left wondering whether or not Sanders survives. Later episodes reveal that Sanders did not survive.

Skeletons

Season 4

Episode Number: 87

Season Episode: 17

Originally aired: Tuesday February 27, 2007 on CBS
Writer: Jesse Stern
Director: James Whitmore Jr.
Show Stars: Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Scuito), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer), Susanna Thompson (Army Lt. Hollis Mann)
Guest Stars: Corin Nemec (Len Grady), Alexandra Lydon (Natalie Dalton), Philip Anthony-Rodriguez (Former Marine LCPL Lloyd Jackson), Brian Markinson (Marine EOD Sgt. Dan Trask), Chris Tardio (Former Marine PFC Kenneth Dixon), Brian Cousins (Jacob Torrance), Erinn Bartlett (Madeline Torrance)
Production Code: 087
Summary: When an explosion at a military cemetery mausoleum reveals a crypt full of a mixture of body parts, the NCIS team must inform the families of the victims, hoping to find a connection between the dismembered victims, and narrow down the suspects to find out who is behind the hideous crime. Meanwhile, Abby is dealing with a personal problem, and the only person she can talk to about it is Gibbs.



Episode opens with an outdoor military funeral drawing to a close with a gun salute whilst attendants at the mausoleum struggle to open the vault in which the young marine is to be interred with his grandfather. They finally release the screws on the vault panel which then explodes outwards, covering them in goo. Amongst the goo is a skull.

Abby is confronting McGee in the main office, demanding he exchange a dollar with her for the candy machine. Abby has mistakenly taken a candy bar containing nougat which she doesn't like and now the machine won't take her dollar. A discussion about the contents of candy bars ensues until Abby explodes with frustration. McGee only has large notes. Tony offers a note. She takes it and storms off, without handing over her dollar to Tony. Ziva is mystified as to what is nougat. Gibbs enters with an explanation. It's a cream with sugar, honey and nuts McGee, disturbed by this abnormal Abby behavior, asks did anyone see what just happened there? Tony replies Yeah, she stole my dollar Gibbs tell them to roll to the explosion at a Marine's funeral.

Team arrives at the mausoleum as the bomb squad exit, reporting that there was no explosive and that the area is safe but that you might want to cover your shoes, as he looks down at

his own goo-covered shoes. The team enters and discovers the floor covered with a substance that McGee calls porridge but which Ducky tells him is human remains, called effluvium. Ducky explains how bodies can liquify and release gases, causing an explosion as if the bodies were in a pressure cooker. Scene: autopsy room. Ducky and Jimmy discuss that they have another meat puzzle. They quickly learn that there are more than two bodies when they find they have 3 right hands. They look at each other and say in unison We're going to need another table Back in the main office: Tony is doing a campfire in Gibb's absence regarding the case. When challenged What do you think McGee? McGee replies She definitely seemed un-Abby Ziva: who? McGee Abby Ziva: Abby's unhappy? Tony No, Abby's un-Abby Tony then instructs them both to focus and says he will talk to Abby later, because he has experience of talking to angry women and there is one clearcut ironclad reason why he should talk to Abby... because she owes him a dollar. He turns and is surprised by silent-walker Gibbs. Tony reports that they have found the victim's relatives who had failed to report her missing. Ducky phones and calls them to autopsy for a report.

Ducky reports that the bodies were dismembered, - butchered at the joints- and that they are missing pieces for two main bodies and that they have spare parts. Ducky opines that they are looking for a mass murderer. Gibbs walks into Abby's outer lab. She is sitting at her computer in her inner office, doing computer messaging. Her computer name is Abbsolute with USer471. She types Cant we talk about this :-) USer471 replies There's no point... with a grimacing emoticon. Gibbs asks for a report. She quickly changes her screen content. When Gibbs preempts what she is going to say about her DNA results, she snaps at him. But she reports in full, tersely pointing out that photos of the crypts in the mausoleum show that two more vaults have recent marks indicating tampering (the rust has come off the screws). Gibbs leaves and Tony stays to talk to her, revealing that the team has been talking about her behind her back and Tony just keeps putting his foot in it throughout the conversation. Abby is not impressed and stalks off in disgust. McGee and Ziva are talking to a victim's relatives. The niece becomes upset and Ziva empathizes, handing over tissues, saying Here. I know how difficult it is to lose a person you care about They escort the relatives to the lifts. McGee observes They were really cut up and then realizes how inappropriate that remark is in a butchered body case. He then advises Ziva to pace herself as there are five more next of kin to go. Ziva bristles at the implication that she can't handle it. Tony returns, escorting in Miss Dalton whose grandfather occupies a tomb that has been tampered with. He sends her upstairs whilst he collects gear from his desk. McGee grabs the chance to get the latest info on Abby. Tony tells him that it is probably something McGee did that is the problem. McGee is confused.

Tony interviews the pretty Miss Dalton, but fails to win her co-operation over opening of the tomb and he has to resort to getting a federal warrant (which brings the case to the attention of other agencies). Back at the mausoleum, Gibbs arrives and Tony announces to him that they have company. Lt Col Mann emerges from the mausoleum to greet an uneasy-looking Gibbs, saying that she ..got a call that your case might be venturing into CID territory. Gibbs, quietly unassertive That call would be premature. Mann (leaning back on her heels and looking skeptical) Really? And here I was thinking it was 4 weeks overdue. Gibbs looks very uncomfortable and goes very silent. He cannot meet her gaze. Tony and Ziva are fascinated with the encounter. The Colonel continues to discuss the case. Gibbs, in avoiding Mann's eye contact, slews his eyes to check reactions from Tony and Ziva, who immediately pretend not to be paying attention. Mann invites Gibbs to fill her in on the details. He keeps his eyes downcast, saying nothing then glancing at up at her. Mann says You wouldn't want to make a bad situation worse, would you? Gibbs bends and looks down. Mann: Don't look so nervous Jethro Gibbs Do I look nervous? Mann (picking invisible lint off his shoulder and clearly beginning to be amused by Gibbs' squirming reaction to meeting her) You actually..um..look pretty good. Gibbs turns to escort Mann inside and barks an instruction to Tony and Ziva to guard the perimeter. McGee arrives and Tony barks at him to stay. McGee asks What did I miss? (a lot, McGee, a lot)

Gibbs and Mann work in the mausoleum, looking for the tampered vaults. Their conversation starts off with double meanings Not like you to leave something unfinished...the crime scene Gibbs It is best not to have expectations Mann What are we hoping for? Gibbs You throw that 'we' word around pretty casually...last time someone tried to remove one of these, it blew up in his face...you might wanna step back a little bit Their verbal sparring continues as a dual discussion of the job at hand and their personal situation.

The Gibblets, waiting on the mausoleum porch, discuss what is going on between Gibbs and Mann. Mann is not a redhead. Could Gibbs have changed? The discussion quickly turns to Tony's reformed behavior, now that he doesn't flirt anymore due to his girlfriend. Tony deflects that attack by saying that he doesn't gossip. McGee Tony you like to talk about everyone's private lives Tony Talk, yes, but I don't write entire books about them do I? A member of the public arrives, clutching lilies and asks whether he is able to go inside today. He is sent away.

Back inside the mausoleum, Mann stands in front of the next vault that Gibbs is to check for the missing body parts. Mann is barring Gibbs' access. He fronts up to her. G:Are you going to let me in? M:I think we should be clear on the implications first. G:You're interfering with my investigation. M:Is that what I am doing? G:Honestly, I'm not sure. M: If there is evidence in here, then I am going to be obligated to see this right through to the end. G: And if there's not? M:Then I don't see why my involvement shouldn't end right here. (She moves out of the way.) G:If you wanted to see me, you didn't have to manufacture a reason. (She protests that she is following army orders.) M:You could have called. G:So could you. M:I distinctly remember the last thing you said as you slinked out the door...(G (talking over her) I don't slink!)... was I'll call you. G: For the record, I didn't think the last time we saw each other was going to be the last time we saw each other. M:Neither did I. G:Well, here we are. M:Lucky for us. G:Call it fate. M:You really just going to let fate decide whether we go our separate ways? G:Five bodies in total and we only recovered portions. You're hoping the rest are in here. Aren't you? M:To be honest I am not really sure. (Gibbs opens the vault to reveal a mass of bones and bits). G:That the answer you're looking for? Camera freezes on the jumble of bones and body bits revealed in the vault.

Cut to Ducky's lab. He reveals that the five were shot, stabbed, strangled, bludgeoned and poor Miss undetermined Torrance. The bodies were moved after being suspended and drained and butchered. Paradoxical behavior: unrestrained murder and meticulous dissection. Jimmy answers the phone and says to Gibbs that the Director wants to see you. He starts to leave and Jimmy clarifies Both of you Gibbs and Mann look at each other, surprised, and depart together. In the main office, the Gibblets are having a campfire discussing the case, listing the details of the victims and discussing the mystery visitor who tried to visit the mausoleum who turns out to be a relative of the first victim. James Brady. Was he visiting his trophies, since he officially had no relative buried at the mausoleum? In Director Shepherd's office, we learn that the Army has agreed to lend Mann to the investigation. It is clear that Mann and Gibbs are being territorial and staking their authority. Jenny tells them that they have worked together successfully in the past. Nothing has happened to change that relationship, has it? Everyone looks uneasy and says nothing. Gibbs pushes to be allowed to leave and get on with the investigation. Jenny agrees but asks Mann to stay I'd like a private word with you. Gibbs gives an uneasy look as he leaves the Director's office. In Abby's lab, Ziva arrives to find Abby attacking her platform boot. Abby laments why she wears 3 inch platforms when she is already 5feet10inches tall (about 1.8m tall). Abby looks at Ziva's shoes Flat, sensible, functional...not very sexy Ziva struggles both to stand while Abby has grabbed her foot and then to follow Abby's thinking. Abby views her platforms saying they're wrong, wrong... Ziva asks wrong for who? Abby abruptly switches to a discussion of the forensics of the tissue samples. The torrance tissue has abnormal levels of chlorine. Gibbs returns to the team who report that the visitor to the mausoleum was Brady. It is clear he had connections to the victims and he worked as a pool cleaner (heated indoor chlorinated pools). They decide to bring him in. Ziva and McGee depart. Tony hovers, looks at Gibbs, glances up to the balcony outside Jenny's office where Lt. Col. Mann has yet to emerge, then back at a p-faced Gibbs. Tony smiles a little smile and scoots. Jenny and Mann are having a conversation. We learn that Jenny wrote a commendation for Mann after her last work with Gibbs. Jenny is making overtures to Mann, whose contract with the army is finishing soon. She offers Mann a drink. Bourbon. A drink that you acquire a taste for if you work with Gibbs. Jenny subtly makes it clear that she learned to drink with Gibbs a long time ago and hasn't drunk with him lately. But you never lose the taste. Mann takes the implicit message that Jenny is trying to recruit Mann and is not competition for Gibbs but fully understands the Gibbs phenomenon. Gibbs and Tony are on stakeout in the car outside Brady's house. Tony tries to engage Gibbs in discussion about what he thinks Jenny and Mann are talking about. Gibbs instructs him that they will wait. Silently. Tony shuts up. Spots the suspect and pursues him. They catch him. Now we see the team entering Brady's house. It is a mess. They find that he is a jack of all trades, many of which have blades. Tony says we will give them to Abby. Ziva says it's not what she wants as she

was almost crying over her shoes. McGee queries the almost crying and concludes that it wasn't over shoes. They keep searching and find a pork chop. Back in the office, Mann and Gibbs walk the corridors to the interrogation room. Mann is smiling and Gibbs gives her a searching look. M: What? G: Nothin' M: Seems like you were thinking something. G: It's been known to happen. M: Something about me. G: I thought I recognized your perfume. M: I don't wear perfume. G: It must have been something else.(he was close enough to smell the bourbon on her). Gibbs enters the interrogation room where Brady waits with Ziva. Mann enters the observation room. Brady is accused of murdering his mother and is uneasy but then the rest of the victims' photos are laid out and he relaxes. Mann realizes that something is not right, because Brady looks relieved. Brady is honest when he says that he didn't do the chopping up of all the bodies. Gibbs leaves. Brady asks Ziva What now? You want me to take a lie detector test or something? Ziva responds with a smile You just did. Back in the team room, Gibbs and Mann arrive to campfire with the Gibblets. It is Mann who believes that Brady is not acting alone. She leads on the quick fire discussion with the Gibblets. Mann points out that Brady got to the Mausoleum as quick as Mann did...how did he know. Mann issues the instructions as to what each of the team should do. Gibbs is silent and, when the Gibblets look to him for confirmation of Mann's orders, simply says Go. McGee then says Boss.. and it is Mann who responds, and then realizes that McGee meant Gibbs. She leaves for forensics. McGee tells Gibbs that, if he is going to visit Abby, McGee thinks he should know that she seems to be going through something. Gibbs cuts him off with a simple I'm not going empty-handed, McGee. Cut to Abby's reaction as Gibbs enters the lab (delight) and then she sees Mann following him (Abby deflates). A very un-bubbly, unhappy, businesslike Abby reports.She tosses down the pork chop found at Brady's place. The pork chop has the same cutting signature as the bodies. Mann realizes that Brady's girlfriend is a butcher and is excited by the evidence, and then realizes how unnaturally still Abby has become now her report is completed. Gibbs gives Mann and look and Mann takes the hint and departs. Gibbs stands, looking at the profile of the silent, hollow-eyed Abby, who is keeping her eyes trained on her computer, to avoid eye contact. Abby asks Dont you have work to do? (Gibbs remains silent)...Look, its not something you can fix in the classic Gibbs hit- and-run style, ok? Gibbs, very quietly, very seriously, says I got time, Abs and just looks at her with complete concentration. Abby opens up. It's stupid. It's just...a guy. I am not going to start spilling my guts just because you keep standing here.(She lasts a few seconds of the silence and then spills her guts). She starts walking to her office (followed by Gibbs,clutching the Caf- Pow) She confesses that she has fallen for a guy who thinks she is too much for him...can you imagine that? Me? And its not what you think...its not all this (goth attire). He likes...(sighs, looks sideways at Gibbs and away again)..small women. I got dumped because I am too..too big for him. And don't even bother with the it's his problem because he's too small and he cant accept you for who you are. He just doesn't think that we could make it work and I have done everything I can to try to convince him that he's wrong..(she stares at the guy's picture on her computer)...so I guess I am just going to have to accept it...(she deletes his picture from her screen-saver, pursing her lips)...and let it go(she relaxes her face into a semblance of acceptance). Abby finally looks up from the computer at Gibbs, then stands and hugs him and says Thanks Gibbs You always know what to say. (Gibbs, of course, has said nothing but has stared long and hard at the picture and at Abby. He reflects her bleakness. And we, the audience, recognize her beloved as the very short but talented forensic scientist whom Abby met at a trade fair and whose lab Abby borrowed in previous episodes.) Back in the office, Mann is leading the discussion with the Gibblets, while Gibbs looks on from his desk and Jenny watches from her mezzanine balcony. When they work out that they should check the only boutique butcher shop in the area, Gibbs nods his agreement and issues the command Let's roll Surprise: the boutique butcher shop is run by Miss Dalton, who refused to sign the release for her grandfather's vault to be opened. She is Brady's girlfriend and she had told Brady that NCIS was at the mausoleum, which he then visited. Gibblets search and find bloodstains in a deep freeze. Miss Dalton runs away, and we hear her choking and vomiting in reaction to the blood.

Cut to interrogation room: Miss Dalton recounts how she met Brady who was a customer, trying to get a few moments respite from looking after his mother. He always wanted to try new things so she taught him her butcher's trade. She laments how she could not have seen. He is watching from the observation room. Mann asks him whether Miss Dalton is the monster that he had spoken of during his own interrogation. He says no and claims that he was the sole

butcher. He attacks the glass and yells, thumps, revealing his presence to Miss Dalton. Gibbs speeds into the obs room and starts flash-carding the pictures of the victims, demanding to know what happened to each. Brady knows. Tony realizes that Brady has already killed another victim. Brady is taken away. Gibbs issues the instruction to let the girlfriend go. Ziva visits Abby in the lab, and is pleased to note that Abby has her music back on. Abby declares that she doesn't feel good yet but better than before. She says how guys tie you in knots and you can't get the knots out, but it really helped to talk with Gibbs and un-knot the knots. Abby then offers that if Ziva ever wants to talk about Lt Sanders (who died in "Dead Man Talking"), Abby will listen. Ziva says I liked him and he died and what else is there to say? Abby gives Ziva a bear hug. Ziva doesn't know how to respond but afterwards appears shaken. Asserting control she says Hmm. Well, I'm glad you feel better. She pats Abby on the arm, at arm's length and leaves. Mann and Gibbs are in the car, driving to Brady's missing van that has been located. They are discussing Dalton and Brady. Mann With the right partner, you can make the proverbial monster Gibbs grins and drawls Oh yeah, give me a little of that ol'time romance They laugh. Mann says Someone's got skeletons of his own and says that if she was ever in that situation where she had a body that she needed to get rid of, she thinks that she would tell him. Yeah? he asks. What makes her think that he wouldn't turn her in? Mann remarks that he is good at keeping secrets. She comments that he made the right call letting the girl go. Seems he always makes the right call when it involves a case. By this time they have reached the Brady's van. They draw their weapons, aim and open the back doors of the van... ...to reveal Miss Dalton, covered in blood, butchering her latest victim. The body is already only a torso, the severed limbs are around. Mann draws in a breath and says Son of a... We finish on a freeze-frame snapshot of Gibbs' stoic, unreadable face as he sights along his weapon.

Iceman

Season 4

Episode Number: 88

Season Episode: 18

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Writer: Shane Brennan
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role: Muse Watson (Mike Franks), Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit)
Guest Stars: Jeremy Roberts (Marine Cpl. Liam O'Neill), Steven Elder (Nick Taylor), Stephanie Venditto (Dr. Jane Leisten), Navid Negahban (Jimmy Shaloub)
Production Code: 088
Summary: When a supposedly frozen to death Marine turns out alive on Ducky's autopsy table, the NCIS team has to find out about the victim's movements last few days to uncover what happened to him and who left him for dead. As the investigation progresses, the team learns about the victim's trip to Baghdad via a private cargo plane and discovers a link to Gibbs' past.



Ducky chats to the corpse in the body bag in his autopsy room, as he sets about making his early morning cup of tea on a winter's morning. When he opens the bag, the kettle's whistle emits its piercing noise. The body wakes up and the man sits up, eyes wide open. After the opening credits, we learn that the man is a marine found with a body temperature 20deg below normal (presumably 20deg Fahrenheit, not Celsius?). The familiar dictum that the body is not dead until it is warm and dead is repeated by

Ducky to Gibbs. Gibbs knows that this is a marine called O'Neill with no next of kin, but he is called to the hospital as a relative has turned up. To Gibbs' surprise, the relative is his old boss/mentor, Mike Franks. O'Neill is his long, lost son who only traced Franks 2 years ago. They met, spoke, and then the son deployed to Iraq. Franks explains that his boy looks like the mother, whom Franks only knew for 6 months and whom he left, not even knowing she was pregnant. If the boy didn't have his marine cut, his blond hair would fall over his face just like the mother's. The mother died a few years ago. Back to the investigation proper: it transpires that O'Neill went back to Iraq on a private visit for just a few days, using FastFlight freight transporters. The man running the freight company is ex-RAF and says he gave a marine a lift. We later learn that he was actually people-smuggling. We also learn that O'Neill went to a loan shark and was turned down for a loan of \$25k. So O'Neill is looking less innocent. A green powder substance is found on O'Neill, which Abby has to analyse (it turns out to be henna). Mike Franks' fingerprint turns up in O'Neill's abandoned car, showing that he was in contact with O'Neill before O'Neill was bashed on the head and had his face held down in the snow (which was the cause of his coma).

Meanwhile, DiNozzo arranges to go on a date with Jeanne. It turns out to be at a climbing wall. Jeanne challenges Tony to a race: first to the top has to say I love you to the other one. Tony is first up but asks for sex instead of saying I love you. Subsequently, Tony takes some teasing or nagging from Ziva about his inability to get Jeanne to take his calls. Eventually Tony goes to visit Jeanne who tearfully tells Tony that the challenge to say "I love you" was actually a test of the relationship. Tony appears to be in a quandary (and they both seem to have forgotten that he said it on the phone in the episode Friends and Lovers...oh, well it's the writers who appear to have amnesia). Now Tony cannot say the three magic words because they are too late.

McGee, Abby and Ziva track down various pieces of information, that tend to make O'Neill appear to have been very shady and which show that Franks has been complicit in it. Throughout the episode, Abby believes that Gibbs is psychic and tries to "test" this theory. She believes this because Gibbs turns up in her lab whenever she has results for him, without her paging him. One time he turns up whilst she is still waiting for the mass spectrometer to finish testing the green powder found in the marine's car. The results spit out of the machine whilst Gibbs is there. Abby finds this startling evidence of Gibbs' ability to foresee the future. Gibbs insists he is not psychic. Each time Abby shuts her eyes and asks Gibbs to tell her what she is thinking, Gibbs disappears. Wisely. The news from the hospital is bad and Franks asks Gibbs to go and needs a witness. Gibbs attends the hospital, waits outside O'Neill's room whilst Franks goes in and gives the nod for the ventilator to be removed. Franks gets the staff to leave the heart monitor's audible signal on, so we hear his son's heartbeat slow and disappear until he flatlines. We see Gibbs listening from the nurses' station to the sound of life slipping away. When Gibbs goes in after it is over, Franks has already disappeared out another door. The role of Shaloub, the loan shark visited by O'Neill, becomes clearer when it turns out that he flies with FastFreight. On further questioning, it seems he is the silent partner/investor in the ailing business. A raid on the premises by Gibbs' team reveals a bunch of dead people, shot and left. These include the ex-RAF owner of the business. There is a Koran (Qu'ran) on the floor. Gibbs picks it up. The people-smuggler and the smuggled people have been shot. Franks has disappeared. His rental car is found and the murder weapon is inside. Abby's tests reveal that it has glass dust on it. There is a glass factory next to the airfreight company. Shaloub is interrogated and the soles of his shoes checked for glass dust residue. They find it. Shaloub had killed the ex-RAF owner of FastFreight for illegally people-smuggling (which, if detected, would bring other official attention on Shaloub). When asked why he killed the others, he shrugs. Gibbs tracks down Franks to his real car, just as he is about to leave for Mexico. Franks informs him that he witnessed Shaloub dumping the gun at the crime scene, in a dumpster next to the glass factory. Franks took the gun and put it in his car, so that Gibbs would find it and work out the connection to Shaloub. Franks is heading for Mexico. Gibbs looks in the car and finds an Iraqi woman in head scarf. Franks explains that she is his son's wife who is discarded by her family for bringing dishonour. His son had needed the money to pay for her to be smuggled into the USA. Franks had gone to the FastFreight company to collect her. Franks points out that it has nothing to do with the murder investigation. Gibbs agrees. He walks to the car, smiles at the woman and hands her her copy of the Koran. As Gibbs walks away, he hears a baby cry. He looks back and sees the woman put a blond-haired baby to her shoulder. Gibbs smiles at the sight of Franks' grandson whom he is about to take back to a new life in Mexico. Final few seconds: new scene. We see a desk, with a long-lens camera next to a computer screen and a female hand working the mouse, clicking across a series of digital photographs. The images are of Tony and Jeanne at the climbing wall. We see a 1/8 profile of the person's face: long hair is obscuring the face. We do see a nose. We know not who is spying on Jeanne and Tony. It seems that it is a woman. The final photo closeup is of Jeanne and Tony kissing at the top of the climbing wall. The photo snaps into the closing black and white shot. End credits roll.

Grace Period

Season 4

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Season Episode: 19

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Director: James Whitmore Jr.
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Recurring Role: Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit), Susanna Thompson (Army Lt. Col. Hollis Mann), Jessica Steen (Special Agent Paula Cassidy)
Guest Stars: Sasha Roiz (NCIS Agent Rick Hall), Jacory Gums (NCIS Agent Jim Nelson), Haaz Sleiman (Abdul Wahid), Dominic Rains (Jamal Malik), Ankur Bhatt (Salman Umar), Shaun Duke (Azid Abu Selom)
Production Code: 089
Summary: When a weekend call to the NCIS tip line from an unknown source about possible terrorist activity results in the death of two agents sent into a trap, the NCIS team will have to find out who were the people responsible with the help from Agent Paula Cassidy, who holds herself responsible for the tragedy.



Cassidy's team waits, bored, for a tip line contact to appear. The team asks Cassidy, who is in her car watching them as they sit outside a cafe, why they have had to do tip line duty two weekends in a row. She doesn't know. She gets a call from the tipster. He goes into a shop, her team follow, the building blows up, just as Cassidy parks the car outside. CREDITS ROLL

Gibbs and Mann are at a baseball practice range, with Gibbs demonstrating the art of batting. He hits hard and far. He asks if she wants a go, and she says she has just been made captain of the softball

team so she needs to know. She takes up the bat, Gibbs cuddles in behind her and demonstrates how to swing, planting a kiss on her neck as he takes her through the demonstration. She chuckles and asks if he uses that technique to teach everyone. They are clearly very close and very mellow. Gibbs leaves her to have a go by herself, setting the pitching machine to fast. She lets the first balls go by without swinging at them. Gibbs tells her she has to swing to hit it. She retorts that she knew she was doing something wrong, and then proceeds to hit all the rest of the balls out of the park. Gibbs looks on, slackjawed. He has been had. He gets a phone call from McGee. He becomes all speed and anxiety, and tells Mann he's gotta go. Mann asks what about their weekend, and he says he just lost two agents.

At the crime scene, the team are looking for bits and realise that they had a suicide bomber whose head has lodged somewhere in the ceiling space, as no one can find it on the ground. Cassidy's agents are dead. McGee arrives to report on who owned the store, with Cassidy in tow.

She reacts badly to the scene and Gibbs takes her to the NCIS van, where he sits her down and gives her tissues. She pre-empts Gibbs' expected rebuke saying she really can't take it right now and she should have been with her agents. Gibbs points out that she would have been dead too. He asks her whether she wants to grieve now or catch the organisers first. She calms down.

Two people who belong to the shop turn up, and explain that the place was for a middle east peace group and there was meant to be an international meeting brokered on the following Friday. The two employees of the peace group were at lunch during the bombing. They are taken to NCIS HQ for questioning. They dispute that the dead man, whose head has been found, could have been the bomber as he was the main peace activist.

Ducky does an autopsy on the bomber and finds that, on examination of the intact head and brain, that the man was dead long before the bomb went off. But Abby analyses the tip line tape of the bomber luring the NCIS agents to the bombsite and shows that the voice is that of the peace activist who was blown up with the bomb. How can he have talked to Cassidy immediately before the bomb yet have been already dead? Ducky and Abby each stand by their findings, with Ducky staking his career on being right.

The tip line tapes led to a firm that makes aids for disabled people. The owner co-operated and the team takes voice samples from all employees and a training video made by the dead man, which is how Abby could prove his voice matched the tape.

Cassidy is troubled because she knew she was meant to be in the shop with her team when it blew. She knew she was meant to die with them. Tony and McGee are disturbed to think that the tip line duty was meant to be their turn. Gibbs is sanguine about their near miss.

The debate about the pre-dead suicide bomber continues in the squad room. Ziva taunts Cassidy as to whether she really knows what she saw. Ziva is horrible to Cassidy and Cassidy gets annoyed. Tony tries to lighten the mood with inane patter, which makes Gibbs headslap him when he arrives and ask DiNozzo, what the hell do you think you're doing? He sends Tony and Cassidy off to the bombsite. He then asks Ziva Are you going soft on me, Officer David? indicating that he knows that Ziva is trying to give Cassidy something to focus on, other than the deaths, by giving her Ziva to hate. Ziva says she is just trying to help, but Gibbs points out that the drawback is that the person usually hates you for life. Ziva says she can live with that.

Tony and Cassidy return to the shop to look for hidden doors that could explain the dead/live bomber puzzle. Cassidy is bemoaning how horrible Ziva is and how she would like to hit her. Tony advises against it, on grounds that Ziva is a Mossad assassin, and not someone to take on physically. They talk whilst investigating the shop. Cassidy reacts badly to the place and Tony shows sympathy instead of ridicule that she would have expected. She asks why he has changed or who changed him. He confesses about Jeanne and his failure to say I love you (and we have seen that she has called a halt to the relationship until he can decide whether he truly means it if he says it - she has warned him against saying the three little words just to placate her). Cassidy points out that life is too short to not say the big things. Tony uses a cigar and a trick from an old movie: he blows cigar smoke at the wall and the air pressure differential sucks the smoke through an invisible break in the wall. The wall has a trick door, which can only be opened from one side (the neighbouring shop). Tony discovers that the two shops used to be a magic store.

In Abby's lab, everyone assembles to try to resolve the conundrum of the voice on tape. Gibbs is dismissive of Tony's discovery of the magic door and Cassidy speaks up for him.

The team works out who they are looking for at the computer company, and return, but Cassidy recognises the man and he spots her. Shootout. He dies. No witness for finding the conspirators. His computer reveals the dead suicide bomber's voice had been replicated perfectly and that the villain had been imitating the dead man's voice. Abby demonstrates how it was done, back in her lab, and shows that she was wrong about the man being alive at the time of the bomb. Ducky was right.

Having solved the case, the team proceed to provide protection for the peace delegation who arrive for the Friday peace conference, but who go to the bomb site for a memorial service to the dead peace activist and the dead agents. Cassidy attends to honour her agents, Gibbs' team are the protection detail for the visitors. They assemble in the shop. Meanwhile, McGee and Abby have been working on the computer, trying to find the accomplices, and realise that one of the two peace activists were involved. They phone Gibbs, who arrests the one nearest him and asks where the other one is.

As soon as he yells a warning, the other one opens the magic door between the shops and

reveals himself as a suicide bomber. Cassidy throws herself on him, the door slams, the bomb goes off, the visitors are safe but team Gibbs (and especially DiNozzo) are stunned because they know Cassidy is dead.

Finale: Tony turns up at Jeanne's apartment and knocks on the door. We see he is wearing the platinum hospital wristband that she gave him for Valentines. She opens the door. Her face is ravaged by tears, and her stereo is blaring "Everybody Hurts" by REM. They stare at each other, while the music plays. Tony is clearly in extremis, emotionally. Eventually he blurts out I love you, Jeanne and she falls into his arms. They cling and cry on each other's shoulders while the music plays on.

Cover Story

Season 4
Episode Number: 90
Season Episode: 20

Originally aired: Tuesday April 10, 2007 on CBS
Writer: David North
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
Guest Stars: Steve Braun (Landon Grey), Jayne Brook (Lyndi Crawshaw), Wilson Cruz (Todd Ryder), Nynno Ahli (Rick Green), Chris Akers (Johnny Smokerson)
Production Code: 090
Summary: McGee is under high pressure during the murder investigation of a Petty Officer based on the character for his latest book, with very little information to go on.



A fire truck pulls up and the firefighters break into a house with smoke billowing out of the window. When the firefighters get inside, they see that the smoke was caused by a turkey burning in the oven ? but soon spot signs of a struggle and a large pool of blood in the living room.

In a coffee shop, McGee is staring at a blank page, suffering from writer's block, unsure how to write chapter 7 of his new book. He's called away from the shop to the house, where he and DiNozzo are going through the house, filled with signs of

a big party and movie posters. Gibbs and Ziva are also in the house, leased to Petty Officer Darren Cove. Gibbs eventually finds a note on the floor, "One down, two to go."

Back at base, the team is reviewing the file of Darren Cove ? he's been arrested twice since enlisting for small crimes ? when they find out that his pickup truck has been found abandoned on a highway. The inside of the pickup is filled with more blood, with an indication that there might have been more than one body. As McGee is reviewing the contents of the truck, he's struck by a sense of déjà vu.

In Abby's lab, she confirms that there was someone else's blood and fingerprints on the glass of a drink at Cove's house. Abby (who has an uncle who ran a bar on Canal Street in New Orleans), has been trying to figure out what the drink is. McGee, however, knows the drink ? it's called a "Hairy Hangover", a drink he invented for a character for the new book he's writing.

McGee confirms that the character he was writing is based on Cove ? someone he saw at his coffee shop. He also tells Gibbs that he sent a copy of his chapters to his publisher, which is the only link between his pages and the drink found. McGee's publisher, Lyndi Crawshaw, tells Gibbs and DiNozzo that McGee has three "stalkers" who sent letters to the publisher. Ducky reviews the three letters, and concludes that the person who wrote the letters is the same person, who is now dangerously obsessed with McGee and his book.

The team then goes to the various places where McGee's character goes, including a park where the character goes to think. The team find not only Officer Cove, stabbed through the

chest, but also another man, Adrian Corbett, whom McGee used as another character in his new book, similarly stabbed. Based on the type of wound, the team figures out that a javelin was used to kill them, as that was the murder weapon in the new book. McGee, looking over the bodies in Ducky's morgue, is feeling guilty about the deaths he feels he inadvertently caused.

Abby tells the team (after trying to get more details about McGee's new book) that Cove's hand had a second blood type – that of the likely killer. She also was able to get a fingerprint off the stamp used to mail the letters to McGee's publisher, coming up with a match of Todd Ryder, who was arrested once for possession of marijuana. Gibbs and DiNozzo spot Todd working as a security guard. They chase Todd, who seems more scared than hardened. When they stop him, Todd tells them that McGee's publisher told him to mail the letters she wrote back to the agency. She tells Gibbs that she used the letters as a means to get more publicity for McGee's new book. Abby then confirms that she wasn't the killer.

McGee and DiNozzo are sitting in McGee's apartment, trying to figure out how the killer managed to get the story, when the only copies are either locked up or shredded. McGee eventually figures out that the killer got the story by reviewing the typewriter ribbon he uses when writing his books, which get thrown out with the trash. When the team reviews the story, they eventually figure out that Abby is the third victim. McGee had written some extra pages, where he detailed that two people – the characters based on Cove and Corbett – wanted McGee's character dead. When reviewing the book, they find that Abby's character is in love with McGee's character, but that she tells her aunt that McGee has "to go" – to McGee, that means the character leaves the agency, but to the killer, it means Abby's character is threatening him.

Abby is staying at a convent, since her apartment is flooded. She's woken up by the killer, Landon – the guy from McGee's coffee shop who talked to McGee earlier in the day. Landon calls Abby "Amy", and talks about how "she" was planning on killing "special agent McGregor" – McGee. The team gets to Abby just in time, with McGee defusing the situation by telling Landon that he and "Amy" are supposed to get married at the end of the book. After the team disarms Landon and takes him away, Abby and McGee talk, where Abby is under the impression that what McGee said would be the actual ending of the book.

The people present for this final scene are Abby, Gibbs and McGee. Gibbs has turned his back, to give an illusion of privacy to the young couple but he winces as Abby, instead of listening to McGee's contrition over her narrow escape, is more concerned to insist that McGee must not marry off Amy to Agent McGregor because 'they are all wrong for each other.' Tim frowns with puzzlement but Gibbs sees that Abby may be talking about Amy/McGregor but is actually thinking of Abby/McGee.

Brothers In Arms

Season 4

Episode Number: 91

Season Episode: 21

Originally aired: Tuesday April 24, 2007 on CBS
Writer: Steven D. Binder
Director: Martha Mitchell
Show Stars: Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo)
Recurring Role: Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit), David Dayan Fisher (Trent Kort)
Guest Stars: J.C. MacKenzie (Mitchell Reese), Mo Gallini (Andre Jones), Patrick Robert Smith (Tim Gerber), Peter Birkenhead (Elroy Webster), Sara Botsford (Dr. Helen Berkley)
Production Code: 091
Summary: Director Shepard makes a huge mistake by meeting a man alone to inform her about Le Grenouille, as their meeting turns into a murder of the informant. Now the NCIS team must gather all the existing info and try to finally hunt down their enemy.



Director Shepard meets with Elroy Webster, an informant, who claims he has information on La Grenouille's (the arms dealer she is trying to capture since the beginning of the season) next shipment to the USA. Unfortunately for her, a black van drives up on them and Webster is shot by a gunman in that van, killing him before he could tell her anything.

Gibbs' team arrives on the scene afterwards, with Gibbs furious that Shepard did not tell him about this meeting and asking for his help. Jenny defends herself and does not want to discuss it any further. She gives the team instructions

to investigate the incident and report directly to her, ignoring Gibbs' authority. Ducky finds out that Webster had a tumor in his brain, which had decreased his life span to mere six weeks but for some reason his medical records do not show it. Gibbs thought his short life expectancy might have led Webster to contact Shepard but this theory is not working anymore given the new information. Abby discovers a lead to the driver of the van, allowing the team to find him. When they arrive at his apartment though, he is already dead.

With the driver dead, Shepard contacts the CIA to reveal an undercover agent to her, because they "owe us a favor" (she did not order the capture of La Grenouille in Blowback when they had a chance to do so because of an CIA operation at the same time). The CIA send over FBI agent T. C. Fornell, who worked with Gibbs and NCIS before as the FBI contact. Working as an operative for Homeland Security, Fornell manages to arrange a meeting with Trent Kort, an agent working within La Grenouille's organization. Kort, as well as Ducky before him (when he told Shepard about his psychological profile of La Grenouille), tells Shepard, that a hit on a traitor is not La

Grenouille's style but Shepard dismisses these objections as wrong and Kort reveals the name of La Grenouille's American arms trader, Andre Jones, who is the only one the arms dealer would have sent.

The team tries to capture Jones, but he grabs hold of a gun and is killed in the ensuing gunfight. Back at NCIS, Abby figures out that the next shipment will arrive shortly and the team manages to find out about the whereabouts of the shipment by questioning a forger working for La Grenouille. When they arrive on the docks and open up the containers, they only find squirt guns and a bottle of Cognac, along with a letter from La Grenouille, wishing Webster well. Shepard realizes she has been tricked all along and her anger is increased by this failure.

In the side story line, Tony takes his relationship with Jeanne Benoit to a new level by meeting with her and her mother for dinner, something he has never done before with previous relationships.

In the Dark

Season 4

Episode Number: 92

Season Episode: 22

Originally aired: Tuesday May 1, 2007 on CBS
Writer: Steven D. Binder
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard)
Recurring Role: Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit), Susanna Thompson (Army Lt. Col. Hollis Mann), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Terry Bozeman (Navy Cmdr. Doug Jakobsen), Katie Lowes (Bryn Landers), John Billingsley (Jackson Scott)
Production Code: 092
Summary: When a blind photographer shoots the body of a Petty Officer on film, the NCIS team uses his special insight to investigate the crime. Meanwhile, both Gibbs and Tony are having commitment issues in their relationships.



An assistant to a blind photographer sees a dead Petty Officer in one of his pictures and they call NCIS to investigate. The team arrives but with no body, they are without a trace. Luckily, the photographer is able to recall where he was when he made the photo and they find a dead Petty Officer, who was working for the DLA. The DLA office tells Tony and Ziva that there was an investigation regarding this sailor and alleged connections to competitors and treason.

Meanwhile the team finds out about one of the dead sailor's colleagues, David Wong, was with him before his death and they think he is connected to the murder. They set out to find him, just to find him dead in an abandoned DLA warehouse, apparently having hung himself.

Gibbs does not believe that Wong killed himself and Tony notices that he signed his death letter, in which he claims responsibility for the Marine's death, with the middle initial "B." while his middle name was "George". On closer inspection the "B" turns out to be a "I3", the designation of both men's department. The team, with a clue from Abby, turns to the photographer's assistant though because she is barely visible in one of the photos despite having claimed to be at the office at that time. It turns out that she was following him, not because of the murder, but because she is in love with him. The team thus turns back to the "I3"-clue and they finally find out that the whole thing was planned by an officer with the Inspector General. The main clue involves the blind photographer's sense of smell, leading to the identification of the killer.

In the side story lines, both Gibbs and Tony experience relationship issues. Hollis Mann is retiring from the Army and wants a definite answer from Gibbs, whether he is ready for a serious relationship with her. Jeanne Benoit is losing her apartment and Tony offers that they move in together but he is having second thoughts about it. Both issues are left mostly unanswered in the

end of the episode, though Gibbs appears to be ready to embrace his relationship, demonstrating his commitment to Mann by embarking on a lengthy plumbing project in her bathroom. Jimmy Palmer, on the other hand, finds that his liaisons with Special Agent Lee are coming close to home when Ducky finds Lee's bra in a cabinet in the autopsy room. Jimmy realises that the matching panties are still missing, which sends him on a panty-hunt throughout NCIS HQ.

Trojan Horse

Season 4

Episode Number: 93

Season Episode: 23

Originally aired:	Tuesday May 8, 2007 on CBS
Writer:	Shane Brennan, Donald P. Bellisario
Director:	Terrence O'Hara
Show Stars:	Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role:	Armand Assante (La Grenouille), David Dayan Fisher (Trent Kort), Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit), Stephanie Mello (NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars:	Celestin Cornielle (Marine Cpl. Keener), Michelle Wolff (Marine Sgt. Maria Sanchez), Gary Morgan (Mario Vincetti), Aleksandra Kaniak (Russian Nurse), Corie Vickers (NCIS Special Agent Lynn Davis), Vladimir Skomarovsky (Colonel-General Dimitri Borov), Sima Kostov (Darya Borov), Marcy Harriell (Nurse Carly Marcano), Brian George (Dr. Ameen Temani), Sandra Hess (Regine Smidt), Michael Patrick McGill (Joey Kelly)
Production Code:	093
Summary:	When Jenny has to attend an overseas conference, Gibbs is made acting director, but he prefers to ignore his duties and lead the investigation of the murder of a man, who was found dead in a taxi headed to the NCIS headquarters.



Gibbs is made acting-director of NCIS when Jenny is on a Interpol-conference in Paris but he is fed up with all the paperwork and is glad to hear about a new case: A dead man has been found in a cab outside the Naval Yard. According to the driver, he was on his way to NCIS and he did not realize he was dead until the Marines tried to check his ID. Gibbs returns to lead this case and does not care that Cynthia is constantly reminding him about the work he has to do.

Ducky examines the body but is not able to find any reason for its demise and thus Abby has to run its blood through her equipment which does take some time. In the meantime, the team finds out the dead man's identity, proving him to be a gardener at an embassy who only holds a tourist visa, albeit for an indefinite period. The attaché of the embassy reveals that he in fact was not a gardener but a student who was just given the job to be able to stay in the country and study. Being reminded of an old case, Gibbs thinks that the dead man might be involved in some kind of terrorist activity.

While the team investigates and follows up on clues about people whose names are on a list found on the dead man in the taxi, Abby rechecks evidence on an older case which is soon to go to trial. The lawyers of an accused murderer claimed that Abby's ballistic tests might have been flawed and, as Abby does not want to be proven wrong, she double-checks on the tests.

Meanwhile in the basement where evidence is stored, a man sneaks out from within a hollow front seat in the taxi. The man breaks into the evidence locker area to switch the weapon involved in the aforementioned case, so that the test will indeed show that Abby's test was wrong. When she goes down to the basement to retrieve the weapon to retest it, she finds a bit of foam on the floor inside the evidence locker. Puzzled, she picks it up and takes it to her lab to test it as well, only to prove it to be identical to the foam found in the taxi, but by the time she gets the test results processed, the cabbie already is on his way out of the NCIS Navyard compound. Gibbs, independent from Abby, has already figured out that the list of names was a decoy to distract the agents' attention. When Abby reports to Gibbs about the foam, he alerts the sentries at the main gate of the Navy Yard and they stop the cab at the gate and arrest both men. The cabbie offends Ziva by comparing her to his wife and his mother-in-law. Ziva asks Gibbs for permission to shoot the cabbie, for whom she had previously felt sympathy when she thought him an innocent bystander.

In the side story line, Jenny, in France, meets with Trent Kort, the CIA man in La Grenouille's organization, who tells her about a Russian general who might help her. The general, in hospital dying from lung cancer, tells her about her father, that both he and the general had fraudulently signed weapons inspection certificates to allow La Grenouille to do illegal arms trading, and can ask her father to confirm it. Jenny calls the accusation a lie, and says her father died 12 years ago. The general says her father is quite alive and had visited the him 3 weeks ago. Jenny is shocked at the accusation and at the news that her father is alive.

The episode ends with "To be continued in two weeks".

Angel of Death

Season 4

Episode Number: 94

Season Episode: 24

Originally aired:	Tuesday May 22, 2007 on CBS
Writer:	Donald P. Bellisario
Director:	Terrence O'Hara
Show Stars:	Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role:	Stephanie Mello (NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner), David Dayan Fisher (Trent Kort), Armand Assante (La Grenouille), Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit), Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer), Liza Lapira (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee)
Guest Stars:	Sky Soleil (Bill), Dayo Ade (ER Orderly), Roxana Brusso (Noemi Cruz), Shandra Thigpen (Nurse Annie Hayes), Shelly Cole (Bernadette Watkins), Mike Erwin (Devon Watkins), Alan Smyth (Nick Kerry), Webster Williams (Colonel Jasper Shepard), Payton Spencer (Emily Fornell), Craig Nigh (Melvin), Samantha Bailey (Little Angel)
Production Code:	094
Summary:	When Jenny returns from her European trip, the entire NCIS team will be forced to take a Homeland Security polygraph test, and the deepest secrets of each agent are about to be revealed. Plus, an unarmed Tony and Jeanne are held hostage by a ruthless drug dealer.



Jenn arrives home from her trip in Europe where Cynthia awaits to bring the Director home. They talk about Gibbs and how he handled the workload while she was gone and if he survived, Cynthia tells Jenn he barely survived and they take off from the airport. Devin arrives after he gets through customs and he is writing his sister Bernie, when a little girl stares at him and then he steps out and gets hit by a car. The Director arrives home to find Noemi had made her something to eat and offers to take a little bit. Jenn tells Noemi she will eat in her study, then makes arrangements with her driver

Melvin to pick her up at 0530 for an early start. Jenn enters her study and sees a bottle of Scotch on her desk and asks Noemi if anyone had been in her study during her hiatus. Noemi says " no one, Seniora, you no do that. " and if she had done that when she was away. Jenn said she does not do that. Jenn then asks if Noemi cleaned in her study while she was away. Noemi replays " Si Seniora, but sorry I no see. " and Jenn told Noemi not to worry and it was nothing. In the lab Abby is preparing McGee for his polygraph by making one herself. She asks him his name and he tells her to scratch his nose and she does and tells him to stop being a baby. " Tell me your name... Timothy McGee, no middle initial. Have you ever used an alias? and he asks her if his pen name counts and she says yes. Thom E. Gemcity. Do you have any other names. No..."

The detector goes off and Abby says "No!". Tony and Ziva enter the lab and asks McGee what he is doing and he replies "Maintaining his Special Agent Status." Ziva points out the lie and says McGee lied about his name. Then he said he has no other names. Probie, yeah boss? and elflord. Gibbs says to him and then during a conversation McGee mentions Homeland Security is issuing tests for all NCIS and tells them to check their emails. Tony and Ziva find theirs and Gibbs leaves. Devin arrives at the hospital after Carly asks Dr. Benoit about the Angel of Death. Whom Carly says looked like Miss Puerto Rico when her Uncle Louis died. Jeanne asks the nurse why he was still hyped up and then tells Devin he is hypertensive and tachnicardic which is not good. She orders him to tell her if he had any drugs and they are not the police. He tells her he wants to phone is sister. She dismisses him and leaves telling Carly to look out for Miss Puerto Rico. Gibbs shows up at Diane's where Fornell is picking up Emily. Gibbs asks Fornell if the FBI is being polygraphed. He says no and Diane comes out and glares at Gibbs and asks if Fornell still dreams about O.J.-ing Diane. He says no and tells Gibbs that Homeland Security is after their boss. Gibbs shows up at the Directors and asks her why Homeland Security is doing polygraphs on the team. She ignores it and Gibbs goes to touch the scotch and she say not to. He asks Jenn what she did in Paris and she says what they used to do ever so well and he mentions her right eye twitches when she lies and walks out. At the bar Abby, Lee, McGee and Ziva are discussing how to get McGee out of the test. Ziva then tells Abby she can beat a polygraph and Abby does not believe her so Ziva starts to tell her that she can do it by the following and then Lee says if it is unethical she can not hear it. Ziva says not to listen then, Lee playfully covers her ears and tells Ziva to tell Abby. Palmer and Ducky arrive and order drinks and McGee tells him they have to take polygraphs and then Ducky tells them not to worry unless they were spys and Ziva asks why he is looking at her and he replies to spread humor and he toasts to them and soon they all have to leave. Then he is left with Ziva who then says... May a mouse never leave you gurdle with a tear drop in his e... and Ducky corrects her it was Gurnle, an Oatbin and tells her what it means and if it was empty a mouse would cry, then she toasts to dried eyed mice. In the elevator at the hospital Nick and Bernie await to go up when Tony comes in.. she asks him why he did not push the button and he says it was lit. Tony tells Nick to get her help bobby.. and they argue and Nick gets out with Bernie and asks the doctor where Devin is and they chat with Dr. Benoit and leave and he attacks Devin leaving Bernie worried. Jeanne then asks Tony if he wants to take a 10min break wth her he says yes and Jeanne tells Carly to clock those 10mins. They go to the cafe and talk about the house and then after a while she gets a code blue call. Jeanne rushes up where Devin is in cardiac arrest and he dies and Carly sees the Angel of Death again. Nick asks Dr. Benoit where they can pick up the body and she replies the city morgue and she need an autopsy and he says he doesn't but she does and she walks away. Abby arrives in her lab and wakes up her machines and tells them to get ready and she puts on her music and the Director enters and gives her the bottles and glasses and asks her to check for prints.. she says chain of evidence is not important. Abby agrees and the Director says she will be in her office. McGee is with Gibbs who says they need to hack the CIA... and he tries and runs into a bot-agent. Gibbs tells him to search for Jenn Shepard, McGee does so. Jeanne is informed that the couple might be in morgue and she runs to the elevator where Tony is waiting for it to close and he follows Jeanne to the morgue where they are held at gun point. Ziva is with Ducky and she tries to call him and she complains about the voice mail whenever he is with her... and Ducky asks why she monitors Tony and she says she doesn't then he says she does like mother with an infant. She agrees and he says it is Friday night and you are worried so what does that tell you. Ziva says that Tony is her partner and he said he would be there and he is not. She says she has a bad feeling. Tony and Jeanne are being searched and Nick tells her to call off Security and she doesn't and he hits Tony over the head and then he tells her again to call. Jeanne calls and tells them to call it off and leave her hospital id 766. She is stopped from helping Tony and he holds her and says to do the autopsy on Devin and she says no and she will do it after she helps Tony. McGee and Gibbs find information on Jasper Shepard and Gibbs asks about him and McGee tells him everything. Abby is sleeping and her prints ding showing it was Jasper Shepard who had the glasses. Jeanne finishes the autopsy after stalling and cuts the bag and then Nick charges at her and she stabs him, dropping his gun Tony shoot at him but does not hit him and tells him the next one is in his ear. Tony asks Jeanne if she is okay and she says not really. Jeanne takes Tony outside and gets into a limo saying it is her secret and Tony sees La Grenouille and she calls him papa. Then La Grenouille says welcome to the family professor

and Tony just stares nervously.

Season Five

Bury Your Dead

Season 5
Episode Number: 95
Season Episode: 1

Originally aired: Tuesday September 25, 2007 on CBS
Writer: Shane Brennan
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard)
Recurring Role: Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer), David Dayan Fisher (Trent Kort), Armand Assante (La Grenouille)
Guest Stars: Webster Williams (Col. Jasper Shepard), Mesrop Agjanyan (Henri Rousseau)
Production Code: 095
Summary: The NCIS team uncovers a huge secret, as their mission to capture La Grenouille comes to an explosive and deadly conclusion.



A recap from last season reveals the depth of Tony and Jeanne's relationship, as well as the fact that La Grenouille had Kort spying on them. Tony and Jenny discuss their involvement in a top-secret operation involving La Grenouille. Gibbs learns that NCIS is being investigated because of Jenny's personal vendetta. Jeanne notes how well Tony shot the gun at the man who held them hostage in the hospital morgue. McGhee discovers a secret CIA operation called "Lodestone" that involved La Grenouille and Colonel Shepherd, who committed suicide 12 years ago. However, Jenny heard from an old

friend that her father is really alive. She discovers a bottle of Scotch and a tumbler in her study, then brings it to NCIS for Abby to check the prints. Opening the door to a limo, Jeanne surprises Tony with an introduction to her father, who happens to be La Grenouille, and he greets Tony by calling him Professor DiNardo.

In her office, Jenny is having a dream about her father preparing to kill himself. She is running to find him, and then he is shot by La Grenouille.

In the limo, Tony, Jeanne and her father head to breakfast. La Grenouille looks suspiciously at Tony and says he has many questions. Tony is clearly uncomfortable. Jeanne confronts Tony about shooting the man in the morgue. Tony gets Jeanne to tell her father about it while he discreetly tries to make a phone call. Jeanne's beeper goes off saying she is needed back at the hospital for a signature.

At NCIS, the elevator doors open, and McGhee and Ziva run into one another. Both ask, "What are you doing here?" Ziva quickly says, "I asked first." McGhee believes that it was too close to call but since he was raised to be a gentleman and Ziva was raised to be a killer, he responds, "I was de-fragging my computers." Ziva doesn't believe him. She sees food on McGhee's desk and notes he has been here all night. She admits she's worried about Tony, as she still can't get a

hold of him. He's been MIA since last night. Ziva then notices food on Gibbs's desk and wants to know what they're keeping from her. Gibbs enters, and Ziva declares that teams aren't supposed to keep secrets.

Back at the hospital, Tony wants to go in with Jeanne, but she insists he stay with her father. They walk to get some coffee nearby.

Jenny enters Abby's lab to find Abby asleep on the floor and the computer beeping that it has a match on the prints—Colonel Shepherd. She quickly cancels the search, which wakes up Abby. Stuttering, Abby apologizes for falling asleep. Jenny's phone rings, and she realizes that it's a call from DiNardo that is quickly dropped. She tells Abby she can go, and Abby asks if they got a match. Jen lies and says no, then leaves. Abby turns to her computer, and a message pops up asking, "Do you want to delete search results?" Confused, Abby clicks no, and Jenny's father's picture and profile pop back up. Stunned, Abby mutters, "This is not good."

In the squad room, Ziva is asking why the CIA is after the director. Gibbs says, "You tell me," and Ziva realizes aloud that the CIA is protecting their asset—La Grenouille. Ziva then asks if the director knows as the Jenny walks up and says, "Know what?" Thinking fast, McGhee says, "That it's Saturday, and we're all here on our day off because we love our jobs." Ziva adds, "Except for Tony who is missing." Jenny then asks McGhee to triangulate a cell number. Gibbs asks if Tony is in trouble. Jenny replies by informing them that Tony's girlfriend is La Grenouille's daughter. Shocked, McGhee asks, "He's been on assignment?" Gibbs is upset that Jenny kept it from him and wants to know what's going on. Jenny says that Tony contacted her using his alias's cell, which was a preplanned signal that his cover might be blown. Jenny wants the position sent to MTAC along with satellite coverage.

Meanwhile, Tony and La Grenouille are having coffee as they wait for Jeanne. La Grenouille, or Rene, wants to know what Jeanne told Tony about her father. They both talk about loving Jeanne, and Rene wants to know if Tony will break her heart. Tony replies that he doesn't plan on it. Jeanne comes out of the hospital saying that they need to leave before she gets called back again. Tony realizes his must move his car. Rene says to stay close so they don't lose him. Tony gets into the car.

At MTAC, the team is tracking Tony through the traffic cameras. They are having no luck calling his cell phones. Gibbs asks how deep his cover goes, and Jenny replies that it's deep enough to protect him from the kind of scrutiny La Grenouille would implement. Gibbs threatens, "You'd better hope so." They observe that Tony doesn't appear to have anyone tailing him, and Gibbs suggests that maybe Tony is doing the tailing. As they watch Tony's car turn the corner, they watch it explode. Horrified, Jenny exclaims, "Oh my god!" Ziva whispers, "Tony!"

The team arrives at the scene of the explosion and grimly approach. Car rubble litters the street. With a pained expression, Gibbs stares at the body behind the wheel. Gibbs calls McGhee over to start taking photos. Jenny stares at the wreckage, then notices a timer device. Ducky says, thankfully, the shockwave would have killed him before the fire. Jenny asks Ducky about identification, and Ducky says that they height, weight and general build are a match, but they'll have to get his dental records since fingerprints are out of the question. Ducky asks Jenny, "Is there any chance it's not Tony?" Jenny replies, "None that I can think of," and walks away. Ziva recovers Tony's ID and shield from the car.

Back at Abby's lab, Abby has the remains Tony's personal effects spread out before her. She's rambling on to Gibbs that regardless of what the evidence says, Tony's not dead until Ducky says it's him. As Gibbs goes to leave Abby to her work, he sees the bottle of Scotch and the tumbler that Jenny brought to Abby for prints. He confronts Abby about it, and Abby says that the Director brought it in and swore her to secrecy. Upset, Gibbs asks, "Any other secrets you can't tell me?" Abby says no since the Director didn't ask Abby to keep secret the fact that Jenny lied when she said there was no match when there really was. Gibbs asks, "Who was the match?" "Her father," replies Abby. Gibbs says that's impossible since her father is dead. Abby argues that the print is a 10-point match, meaning that it's a new print, so he can't be dead.

In Jenny's office, Jenny tells Gibbs that someone is trying to convince her that her father is still alive. Gibbs tells her about the polygraph scheduled for Monday is because the CIA is targeting her. Jenny isn't worried. Gibbs asks, "If they ask about your father?" to which Jenny replies, "He's dead." Gibbs then asks her if she knows about Lodestone, a CIA black op focused on arms control and weapons proliferation. Jenny admits that her father's job at the Pentagon was in weapons control, and he was under investigation for accepting a bribe when he was

killed. Gibbs counters, "Coroner said he took his own life," to which Jenny responds, "He was murdered." Gibbs wants to know if she has any proof, and Jenny says no, but she knows who killed him. Upset, Gibbs demands, "The same guy you sent one of my agents after?" Angrily, Jenny retorts, "One of MY agents." As Gibbs turns to leave, Jenny tells him that he's wrong if he thinks she's obsessed with La Grenouille because of her father. Gibbs comments that she should skip the polygraph on Monday.

McGhee keeps watching the explosion, realizing that Tony wouldn't have carried his ID and gun on him since he was undercover; he would have stashed them in his car. The presence of these items does not mean that Tony was in the car. McGhee remembers that Gibbs wondered if Tony was tailing someone. Ziva and McGhee spot a limousine that Tony appears to be following.

In autopsy, Ducky is removing shrapnel from lung tissue. Palmer reads that the blood test results match Tony's type—A+. Ducky comments that 34% of Americans have that same blood type. He dictates notes to Palmer on the condition of the lungs, noting that they have minimal scarring. Pausing, he realizes that these lungs could have never had *Y. pestis*, the pneumonic plague. He exclaims to Palmer, "He never had the plague!" Smiling, Palmer repeats, "He has never had the plague!" As he leaves autopsy, Ducky turns and repeats, "He's never had the damn plague!"

Ziva has connected the limo to La Grenouille and realizes that Tony may have been following him. Ducky enters and says no; it wasn't Tony. Tony had contracted the plague and almost died from pneumonia, which severely scarred his lungs, unlike the lungs of the body in autopsy. Jenny asks, "If it's not Tony, who is it?" Gibbs adds, "And where is DiNozzo?" Kort walks in and wants to know where Tony is. Jenny wants to know why he's looking. Kort admits that La Grenouille flew into D.C. that morning, and now they can't find him. He wants a private briefing in Jenny's office, but Jenny refuses saying she'll decide what briefing he gets. Kort says she's jeopardizing the most long-term operation of the CIA. Gibbs interjects, "Operation Lodestone." Kort insists, "You weren't read in for Lodestone," and Jenny replies "So read us in." Leaving, Kort threatens, "This won't end well for you." The elevator door opens, and Tony grins at Kort and asks, "Hey my car blew up this morning. Did you do that?" Kort grabs Tony and shoves him against the elevator, asking where he went with La Grenouille. Tony looks over Kort's shoulder and clears his throat. Kort looks, and sees Gibbs, Ziva and McGhee with their guns drawn and pointed at him. He lets Tony go, and Tony taunts, "Happy frog-hunting! You might want to take the stairs. I had a little upset tummy this morning. Phew!" The elevator doors close, and Tony turns to the team and grins, "What, no balloons?"

In Jenny's office, Tony is bringing Gibbs and Jenny up to speed. He tells them that La Grenouille was waiting for them when they left the hospital. "It was her surprise, I guess. Meet the parents, part 2. I hate sequels." Tony surmises that Kort blew his cover to La Grenouille. He tried to get away by getting in to move his car, but Rene convinced him to stay with them by calling him Agent DiNozzo. One of Rene's bodyguards, Henri, took Tony's car and cell phones and Tony watched his car blow up from the limo. Rene assumed he was the target, but Tony figured it was himself for pissing off the agency lately. He says the bomb blew away a lot of things. Jenny asks if he thought that things would end any other way with Jeanne. "You mean, other than badly?" Jenny reminds Tony that he wasn't supposed to fall in love. Sarcastically, Tony retorts, "Thank you so much for that, Director. I'm going to keep that in mind for next time. Wait a second! There's not gonna be a next time!" Jenny wants to know what Jeanne said. "Nothing I'm going to tell you." Jenny presses him, but Tony insists, "Nothing you need to know, Director." Gibbs looks proudly at Tony for standing up to the Director. Tony says that Rene dropped him off at the front gate and drove west, very fast. Rene doesn't think he has a future, and he wants out, which explains why Kort is desperate to find him. The CIA is about to lose their most prized asset. Tony says Rene will be calling to set up a meeting because NCIS is the only agency he trusts.

Back in the squad room, Tony slaps McGhee on the head. Puzzled, McGhee asks, "What was that for?" "Believing I was dead!" Tony replies. McGhee insists that he never believed Tony was dead, but Ziva did. Ziva asks if everything is cool with the director and Gibbs. Tony replies, "Beyond cool. Almost icy." Tony is dialing his phone while asking if anyone called for him. Ziva says no and that Jeanne isn't at the hospital. She told the ER she was leaving for a few days and didn't say where she was going. Ziva asks Tony if Jeanne knows, and Tony says, "She knows." Abby runs in and hugs Tony, exclaiming that she never believed he was dead despite

everyone else giving up on him, even Ziva. Tony then realizes that Ziva has his letter opener. He asks about his American Pie coffee mug. Abby tells him Palmer has it. "Mighty mouse stapler?" "Ducky." Ducky pops over the divider behind Tony's desk and returns his stapler, saying that he never really believed Tony was dead. Abby then tells Gibbs that she knows who made the bomb, not really who, but why. The bomb-maker was the same one who set off bombs all over the world to kill other arms dealers. They realize the bomb was meant for Jeanne, the daughter of an arms dealer since Tony would pick her up every morning. Tony and Ziva leave to look for Jeanne.

Jenny walks into her house and answers her cell phone—it's La Grenouille. He wants to meet her. She says tell me where and when. He appears before her and says, "Now, in your study." Rene compliments Jenny on her pursuit of him; he really liked Tony. Jenny asks him what he wants, and he replies that he wants sanctuary, asylum, whatever you call it, in return for information on the arms trade. Gibbs appears and asks if he's wanting protection from the people who tried to kill his daughter. Rene says yes, but she's safe for now. Gibbs wants to know what this has to do with Lodestone. Rene says the CIA wants to make him the biggest arms dealer. Gibbs realizes that Rene will control the illegal arms trade, and the CIA will control him. Rene says that was the idea until NCIS came along, and someone else found out. Now he can no longer trust Kort and the CIA. Jenny interjects, "This isn't the first time you were in this study." Rene agrees and says he used to meet her father and that her father was a good man with a conscience that got the better of him. Jenny asks, "Do you believe the story about the bribe?" Rene replies, "It's not a story. I paid him." Angrily, Jenny exclaims, "No, you killed him," as she pulls out her gun, "because he wouldn't take it!" Gibbs tells Jenny that the gun isn't loaded because Rene beat her to it. Rene insists that he needs protection. Jenny shoves the gun at him and tells him to protect himself. Rene tells her she is signing his death warrant, and Jenny says, "Twelve year overdue." Rene leaves. Gibbs tells Jenny that she just let her personal obsession get in the way of her duty. Jenny replies that that's crap, and he knows it. They had no warrant. Angrily, Gibbs tells Jen to get a warrant, and she fires back for him to get it. Gibbs asks Jenny if the gun wasn't loaded and he hadn't been there, would she have pulled the trigger. Jenny replies, "I guess we'll never know." Gibbs pulls the clip out of his pocket, lays it on the table and leaves.

At Jeanne's apartment, Tony reads a note that Jeanne left him. Trying to cover his emotions, he asks Ziva if she's ever lied to someone she loves. Ziva admits that she has, but that person never found. Tony tells her how he told Jeanne after the car blew up because Jeanne realized he was someone else. Ziva says she'll put out a BOLO, and they will find her. Tony says that she doesn't want to be found. As Ziva leaves, Tony sits on the floor.

The next day, Ziva is trying to get a hold of Tony, saying that if he was taking time off he would have told them. Gibbs enters and says Tony is taking time off. McGhee has discovered a yacht that was rented by La Grenouille, and he also learns that someone has been staying on it recently. They all leave, with a warrant this time. Upon arriving at the boat, the search it but come up empty. However, Gibbs does find La Grenouille's trenchcoat, so they know he was there. As they leave the boat, McGhee says they'll catch up with him eventually, to which Ziva adds, "Or someone will." "One day," adds Gibbs.

The camera zooms out from the boat to the water to show La Grenouille with a bullet in his head, sinking.

Family

Season 5
Episode Number: 96
Season Episode: 2

Originally aired: Tuesday October 2, 2007 on CBS
Writer: Steven D. Binder
Director: Martha Mitchell
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard)
Guest Stars: Nick Searcy (Joseph Barnes), Owen Beckman (Nicholas Barnes), Rick Otto (Adrian Nelson), Margaret Easley (Sara Nelson), Schuyler Yancey (P.O. Christopher Munoz)
Production Code: 096
Summary: During an autopsy, Ducky makes a startling discovery that turns a murder of a Petty Officer into a search for a missing infant. Meanwhile, Tony has to deal with his feelings for Jeanne.



After a Petty Officer is killed, the NCIS is called to the scene to investigate. Special Agent Gibbs and his team arrive at the scene, where they quickly determine that the Marine had been shot with a shot-gun at short range and was not the driver of the crashed car. Further down the hill, they find a dead woman, a former con artist by the name of Heidi Campisano, sustaining injuries that indicated she was the driver.

Back at his laboratory, Ducky discovers that Heidi was in fact beaten to death,

while her injuries from the car crash were post-mortem. He also finds out that she had bore a child shortly before she died. This initiates a search for the baby as Gibbs' team continues to look for the killer by looking through her ties with the men she had conned. They find Nicholas Barnes, a young mechanic, who she apparently lied to in order to get his car and money. His father tells Gibbs that Nicholas had been at their mechanic shop all morning, during which the accident took place.

When McGee finds deposits made by a man named Adrian Nelson to Heidi's bank accounts, the team pays him a visit. Both Nelson and his wife tell Gibbs that they don't know Heidi. While in front of his wife, Nelson claims to never have slept with Heidi but he later admits to Gibbs that he did know her and that she was stealing his money. Abby analyzes Nelson's DNA and confirms that he is the father of Heidi's baby. However, she further informs the team that Heidi was not the mother of the baby but was merely acting as a surrogate mother. Nelson's wife was actually the mother of the baby. The team realizes the Nelsons had lied to them. When tracking them down via the dust found in the Marine's car, Gibbs and his team arrive at an abandoned paper mill, only to learn that the baby had been kidnapped and they had spoiled the ransom transfer.

In the meantime, they find out that the brakes in Heidi's car were recently replaced but the mechanic had put the old brakes, which were due to fail, back in. This leads them back to Nicholas Barnes and his father. It turns out that the father was behind the kidnapping and

the murder of Heidi, whilst forcing Nicholas to lie to the NCIS. The team finds Nicholas at the Nelsons' home, where he is arrested and the baby is handed to the Nelsons.

In a side storyline, Ziva and McGee notice Tony's change of behavior after Jeanne's departure. Concerned for her partner, Ziva attempts to help him by trying to get him to talk to her. A hurt and angry Tony snaps at Ziva, reminding her that she had fallen in love with the "dead man walking." Later on in the episode, Tony apologizes and the two make up. In the aftermath of the case, Tony puts Jeanne's note, which she left for him in "Bury Your Dead", in the fire and decides to let her go after she asked him to choose between her and NCIS.

Ex-File

Season 5

Episode Number: 97

Season Episode: 3

Originally aired:	Tuesday October 9, 2007 on CBS
Writer:	Alfonso H. Moreno
Director:	Dennis Smith
Show Stars:	Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard)
Recurring Role:	Susanna Thompson (Army Lt. Col. Hollis Mann)
Guest Stars:	Kathleen York (Stephanie Flynn), John Mallory Asher (Fred Rinnert), Lilli Birdsell (Jill Reynolds), Myk Watford (Army Major Eric Sweigart), Robin Dunne (Army Lt. Joseph Marsden)
Production Code:	097
Summary:	Lt. Colonel Mann joins Gibbs in an investigation of the murder of a Marine Captain who had access to highly classified information. Things get very personal for Gibbs when one of the witnesses in the case turns out to be one of his ex-wives.



Jill Reynolds and Stephanie Flynn arrive home to find Jill's husband, Marine Captain Trent Reynolds' sitting at his computer dead with a spear through his chest.

Abby uses her tax refund to buy all members of team Gibbs a 160 GB ipod. McGee listens to self help lectures, Tony sings and listens to Sinatra, and Ziva listens to Israeli rap. Gibbs receives a call about the dead marine so the team heads off to investigate.

The marine was killed on an army base so Mann and Gibbs run a joint investigation with Mann in the lead. The team wonders if the two are still dating.

Marine Captain Reynolds' worked for the defense intelligence agency taskforce. Ducky conclude the time of death between 7-9 pm the day before. Mann sends Tony to review witness statements, Ziva to check phone and bank records, and McGee to pull prints off the back door.

At a meeting in the Directors office we are introduced to Major Eric Sweigart who insists that one of their cyber guys over sees Abby work on Reynolds' laptop because there is sensitive material on the computer.

In the elevator Tony and Ziva discuss Mann and Gibbs' relationship. Tony hints that underneath Ziva is a girl, but he doesn't finish the sentence. Instead, Fred Rinnert, the cyber guy from the DIA finishes his thought for him.

McGee takes Fred to the lab where Abby insists that McGee make Fred go away. McGee suggests that she try to block him out. When she closes her eyes McGee disappears and leaves Abby with Fred.

Mann and Gibbs talk to the Major and find out that he knows how to use a spear gun – the murder weapon. Stephanie Flynn, his girlfriend is his alibi. Flynn is also one of Gibbs' ex-wives.

Mann and Gibbs tell the Director about the witness's connection to Gibbs. Mann interrogates her about Gibbs and the Major. Meanwhile, Abby and Fred discover that the Captain was a hacker. He hacked into Sweigart's computer. Abby bonds with Fred and McGee is jealous. They discover the last thing sent to him on his computer was the element song.

In autopsy Ducky tells Mann about Gibbs being married four times, and that his first wife and daughter were killed. Ziva finds out Sweigart and Jill have been in communication via telephone.

The team theorizes that they could have a love triangle or a possible spy ring. Abby listens to the element song in her lab and decides it must have a file inside itself. Fred continues to flatter Abby.

In the elevator Mann confronts Gibbs about neglecting to tell her he was married four times.

In the bullpen McGee tries to convince Gibbs that Abby and Fred could use his help in the lab but McGee backs down after being given the Gibbs stare.

Ziva and Tony pick up Jill and find her cleaning while McGee brings Abby a caf-pow, but she already has one. McGee and Fred stare each other down.

In the Director's office Stephanie tries to convince Jenny to take Gibbs off the case, but fails. She asks Jenny if Gibbs and her were ever involved. Jenny lies and says no.

Jill is questioned, and her affair with the Major is revealed. McGee finds a time stamped tape to alibi her. Abby runs a plug-in from the laptop through the element song. The plug-in highlights pieces of the song. Abby takes the elements listed and finds their corresponding numbers. Fred tells Abby Gibbs wants to see her.

Abby finds out Gibbs didn't call her and Fred is a potential match for the finger prints found at the scene. McGee finds an offshore bank account using Abby's code to reveal Fred was selling secrets, and killed Reynolds so he could have all the money for himself. Abby hits Fred, and McGee is pleased.

Stephanie drops off Gibbs's dog tags, and Gibbs walks her to her car. Mann finds a tape in Gibbs basement and plays it. The tape is of Kelly and Shannon.

Identity Crisis

Season 5

Episode Number: 98

Season Episode: 4

Originally aired: Tuesday October 16, 2007 on CBS
Writer: Jesse Stern
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer), Joe Spano (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell)
Guest Stars: Dorian Brown (FBI Special Agent Courtney Krieger), Torri Higginson (Dr. Jordan Hampton), Nikita Ager (Shannon O'Hara), Joe Egender (Robert Graves), Emerson Brooks (Navy Lt. Carl Greer)
Production Code: 098
Summary: When Ducky realizes that one of his cadavers used for research is actually a victim of murder, the NCIS team identifies him as a criminal genius who is capable of deleting the past.



Ducky is performing an autopsy on a cadaver marked as "John Doe" in front of a class of Navy students, when a student discovers a gray liquid coming from the dead man's brain. It is soon discovered to be mercury and thus Ducky concludes that this man actually was murdered. He and Gibbs go to talk to the M.D. who allowed the body to be donated to science, Dr. Jordan Hampton, who turns out to be a woman and overworked, which makes Ducky forget his anger.

The team now tries to identify the body but as all searches in databases have no results, they go to the place where it was found. When asking in a nearby café, a woman acts suspiciously and when she tries to leave in a hurry, the team stops her. It turns out that she is actually a FBI agent called Courtney Krieger, who was charged with watching the dead man, now identified as Marvin Hinton, who was an ex-inmate with a changed identity.

Back at NCIS, Krieger explains to the team that Hinton was the bait for a gangster called "The Eraser", who's prime field of work is giving people new identities and erasing their old ones, something he did for a group of terrorists. Abby in the mean time ponders about the meaning of a tattoo found on Hinton, but can't make heads or tails out of it. The team in the same time raids Hinton's flat to find out that this is where he was killed, finding more mercury and the traces of at least six different women he was with.

Ziva is growing jealous of Krieger and thinks that she might have killed Hinton for some reason while Gibbs is visiting Fornell to update him on the case (which he didn't know about because the email from Krieger was spam-filtered). back in MTAC, FBI and NCIS are tracking

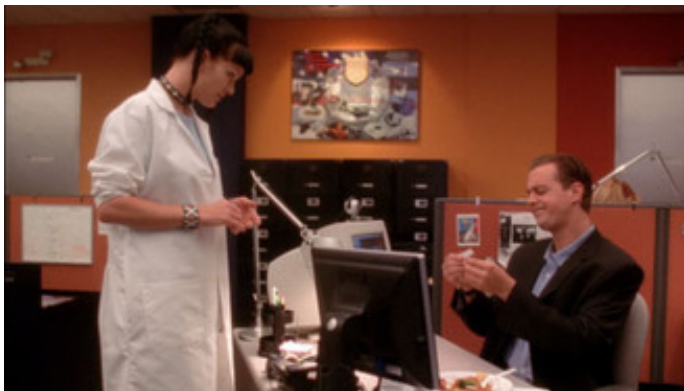
"The Eraser", named Kamal Konkani to a punjabi restaurant in Maryland. Tony and Krieger are going into the restaurant undercover and discover a delivery to a Frederick LeClaire, which was one of Hinton's aliases. They follow the delivery boy to a house and enter it to find Konkani's lair but not himself. The delivery boy identifies Hinton as Konkani, thus the team thinks one of his clients killed him.

They bring in a waitress from the café they checked out earlier for questioning because they suspect she killed her husband three years earlier with mercury and might have done the same this time. But when Abby, with the help of Ducky and Dr. Hampton, discovers the real image on Hinton's tattoo and find out that Konkani was in London while the tattoo was made on Hinton, they conclude that the delivery boy has set them up and that he is Konkani, albeit only his successor. Krieger and Ziva, who were on their way to drop him off, manage to take him into custody again and Gibbs and Fornell manage to break him. He tells them where the old Konkani is and the FBI manages to capture him, but the terrorists he provided with fake IDs are already gone and most likely on their way to the US.

Leap of Faith

Season 5
Episode Number: 99
Season Episode: 5

Originally aired: Tuesday October 23, 2007 on CBS
Writer: George Schenck, Frank Cardea
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Titus Welliver (Navy Capt. Roger Walsh), Robin Thomas (Dr. Neil Fleming), Susan Kelechi Watson (NCIS Intel Analyst Nikki Jardine), Adam Huss (Navy Seal Lt. Michael Arnett), John Vickery (Interpol Inspector Hugh Benson), Mark Matkevich (Jake), Deanna Russo (Ashley), Edward Conna (Metro Police Sgt. Frank Thompson), Kimberly Atkinson (NCIS Special Agent Roberta Wells), Alaina Kalanj (Dana Arnett)
Production Code: 099
Summary: The NCIS team is called in to stop a naval officer from committing suicide by jumping off a rooftop, but when the suicide attempt turns into a murder, the NCIS team will have to find out who did it.



The NCIS team is called to a suicide situation, when it turns out that the man threatening to jump down from a building is a member of the US Navy. Unfortunately for Gibbs, who is trying to stop him, they know little else about him. McGee suggests to take a photo and let Abby run it against the Naval Academy's records but he is afraid of heights and thus Gibbs has to do it himself. They manage to identify him as Lt. Michael Arnett, a Navy operative working in the Middle East. Just as Gibbs manages to con-

vince him to trust him, Arnett is hit by a bullet and falls to his death.

Now that the case has turned into a murder investigation, the team tries to get information from Arnett's CO, Cpt. Walsh, about the projects he was working on but it takes some time before they are able to reach him and when they do, he is not really cooperative, citing national security reasons. In his desk they do however find antidepressants which lead them to a private shrink, Dr. Fleming who is unwilling to say more than that Lt. Arnett was indeed depressive.

Abby in the mean time is unable to get any results with the bullet that killed Arnett nor with his laptop but manages to extract the last number he was called from from his mobile phone. It turns out that someone from NCIS called him, a young intel analyst called Nikki Jardine. Director Shepard assigns her to Gibbs' team and she tells them that they suspect a mole in the Navy and that she was working with Arnett in identifying it. Abby and Ducky discover that someone was manipulating Arnett's contact lenses' cleaning solution, causing him to become increasingly depressive and thus suicidal.

After learning that one of Arnett's contacts was killed, Nikki thinks, as Arnett was the only one knowing the identities of his contacts and the only one to have all the intel, that he was the

mole. The team has different theories on the identity of the killer: Tony suspects Dana Arnett, Lt. Arnett's widow, who lived separated from him and now, after his death still married to her, will inherit a large sum of money because Lt. Arnett's family is quite rich. McGee suspects Dr. Fleming, who has anti-government leanings and prescribed the anti-depressants while Ziva suspects Arnett's CO, Capt. Welsh, who had access to all his intel. It turns out that Tony was right albeit for the wrong reasons. When Abby checked Dana Arnett's DNA against the INTERPOL database, it turns out that her real name is Najida Mahmoud and she is a Syrian Al Qaeda operative, who was smuggled into the US and given a new identity (most likely by "The Eraser" as seen in Identity Crisis).

The team now knows that Dana was the mole and heads to her hotel's park garage. When she notices them she drives away, causing Tony to fall over the railing and barely managing to grab it. McGee overcomes his fear of heights to rescue him while Ziva and Gibbs manage to stop Dana Arnett. The episode ends with Gibbs' calling Arnett's sister and having to tell her of her brother's death.

Chimera

Season 5

Episode Number: 100

Season Episode: 6

Originally aired: Tuesday October 30, 2007 on CBS
Writer: Dan E. Fesman
Director: Terrence O'Hara
Show Stars: David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard)
Guest Stars: Steven Culp (Navy Cmdr. William Skinner), Bill Heck (Cory Mitas), James O'Shea (Navy Lt. Sean Ferris), Graham McTavish (Aleksei), Rick Kelly (Navy Captain), Christian Svensson (Pirate #1), Jordan Marder (Pirate #2), Craig Gellis (Civilian Crewman #1), Walter Wong (Civilian Crewman #2), Roshawn Franklin (Crew Chief Rogers), Eiji Inoue (Navy Lt. Cmdr. Satoshi Takada)
Production Code: 100
Summary: While investigating a mysterious death on a top-secret naval research ship at sea, the NCIS team comes upon an abandoned ship which contains a deadly secret that may cost them their lives.



Gibbs' team is sent to investigate a death aboard USNS Chimera, a top-secret naval research ship sailing in the middle of the ocean. However, they suspect that they are not alone. Their investigation is further complicated by the Navy's reluctance to share information regarding the research which took place on Chimera.

Upon reaching the naval vessel, the entire ship appears to be empty. The crew and lifeboats were missing and evidence showed that they left in a hurry, as seen from a working iPod. They discover a lab filled with various equipment and rat cages indicating non-humanitarian

research.

Searching the ship, they discover the body of the dead marine in the freezer and Ducky's preliminary diagnosis was that he asphyxiated on his own vomit, although later it was discovered to be due to a viral hemorrhagic fever which threatens the lives of the team by possible exposure to the virus.

Back at NCIS headquarters, the director and commander argue over the classified information which results in the director winning the argument and the commander reading her in to the operation.

Being short staffed, DiNozzo has to help Ducky with the various lab analysis with the help of Abby. However, when putting a drop of diseased blood onto a microscopic slide, he foolishly sniffs it and spends the rest of the episode believing he may have contracted the virus until told that the virus was injected into Tekata, the dead naval scientist.

As DiNozzo, Ziva and McGee search the ship, they come across the ship's cook who had been ordered to stay behind of possible risk of exposure to the same disease that killed Tekata.

According to the cook, there was someone else on board who knocked him out and the person was still on board. His words were confirmed by the flashing of lights on the side of the ship as a signal to someone.

The someone else turned out to be the radio operator officer, Ferris. He was signalling a Russian black ops team who boarded the ship. With the Russian team on board, the team silently sneak out and steals the Russian ship while the Russians are distracted by a "dead" Ferris, who is merely knocked out and fake blood has been placed on him.

As the team leaves, we discover what the naval vessel had been holding, Russian nuclear weapons. The entire episode is neatly summed up by McGee:

So pirates, who weren't really pirates, were actually Russian sailors, who were on a covert mission to steal a navy research ship, that wasn't actually a navy research ship, in order to get back nuclear weapons that we thought they didn't think we had retrieved?

The US navy however, sends a missile to demolish the ship to wipe out any evidence of its existence although the team had never informed headquarters that they had left the ship.

Requiem

Season 5
Episode Number: 101
Season Episode: 7

Originally aired: Tuesday November 6, 2007 on CBS
Writer: Shane Brennan
Director: Tony Wharmby
Show Stars: Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs)
Guest Stars: Stelio Savante (Danny Coyle), Darby Stanchfield (Shannon Gibbs), Brenna Radding (Kelly Gibbs), Michael A. Shepperd (Mailman), Cameron Goodman (Maddie Tyler), Anne-Marie Johnson (Marine Col. Stacey Radcliffe), Mark Totty (Army Major Max Bourdais – Ret), Nick Spano (Marine Sgt. Rudi Haas)
Production Code: 101
Summary: Gibbs finds himself emotionally challenged when he agrees to investigate a crime connected to a friend of his daughter, who was killed years ago, and the investigation leads to a shocking conclusion.



The episode, unlike almost all others, begins with a scene from later of the same episode. It depicts Tony jumping into the sea to save the passengers of a car, which turn out to be Gibbs and a young woman. He manages to drag both of them out of the car and onto the docks and starts to perform CPR but it does not seem to work and the viewer is left uncertain what happens next.

The episode then goes back to 24 hours before the first scene, with Gibbs entering the office. McGee tells him, that there is a young woman waiting to talk to him and that she did not want to tell him, what it was about. While the others start to speculate about her, Gibbs goes

to meet her. It turns out that she was his dead daughter Kelly's best friend Maddie and that she needs his help about a Marine, Sgt. Haas, who began stalking her upon his return from Iraq. Gibbs decides to go home with her and meets the Marine on her doorsteps and tells him rather violently (by grabbing his arm and holding it behind his back) to stop it upon which the Marine leaves and Gibbs goes into Maddie's house with her and they talk about their memories of Kelly and she gives him a photo of both girls at the age of 8. She tells him that the girls did bury a time capsule in her garden when they were young and so Gibbs, when he comes home, decides to search for it and finds it. He unburies it and brings in to his cellar but does not open it because in that moment he receives a phone call from Maddie, screaming that the stalker is back. Gibbs hurries to her apartment but only sees someone stuffing her into Sgt. Haas' car and driving away.

Back at NCIS, the team has begun researching about Sgt. Haas and they found out that he was head of supplies in Iraq and was about to be discharged in 60 days, having refused to re-enlist. They also find out about a retired Major Bourdais, who runs a private security agency and who offered Haas a contract, citing he would be a valuable asset, but Haas did turn him down as well. The team finds an abandoned warehouse where they think Haas has lived since his return but they also find Haas, dead for at least 12 hours, thus making it impossible for him to have been the kidnapper. In his car they find a GPS-tracking device which leads them back to Bourdais. He tells the NCIS that he was working for the Pentagon and was trying to track down 8 billion Dollars in cash which went missing in Iraq. Two of his employees were rumored to be involved in stealing 4 millions dollars and that they found out that Haas shipped it from Iraq two weeks ago. Gibbs goes on to search for them himself, trying to save Maddie without his badge and ID. Meanwhile, the team figures out that Sgt. Haas was stalking Maddie only because he needed a street address to send himself a letter to. Gibbs finds out himself and intercepts it, finding in it a receiving slip which allows him to retrieve 2 bags with the money.

He heads to the docks while Ziva and McGee still track his traces. Tony, being informed by the director, heads there directly. Gibbs enters a warehouse where the two ex-soldiers are holding Maddie. After trying to make them leave by giving them one of the bags and his car keys for the other one, he tosses the keys and in the ensuing chaos manages to knock them away and to run to their car with Maddie. He accelerates backwards and drops into the ocean. Tony, who watched it from near the docks, runs and saves them as seen in the first scene. Now it is also shown that they both survived.

Back in his basement, Gibbs looks over the photograph of his daughter and Maddie as kids and her photograph as an adult, which is how Gibbs imagined Kelly to be as well and then decides to re-bury the time capsule rather than opening it.

Designated Target

Season 5
Episode Number: 102
Season Episode: 8

Originally aired: Tuesday November 13, 2007 on CBS
Writer: Reed Steiner
Director: Colin Bucksey
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard)
Guest Stars: Xolile Tshavalala (Sayda Zuri), Basil Wallace (Delphin Abaka), Jonathan Adams (Thomas Zuri), Stephen Lee (Chuck Bayliss), Anthony Starke (Derrick Choyce), Demetrius Grosse (Atif Nukudna), Matt Riedy (Navy Rear Adm. Kenneth Kirkland), Dierdre Holder (Woman)
Production Code: 102
Summary: A murder investigation of a Navy Admiral takes a shocking turn when a woman, a political refugee, returns home to search for her husband.



The episode starts out with a black taxi driver and his passenger, an admiral, being shot and killed by a man on a motorcycle. Ducky later finds out that the rider of the motorcycle also took the taxi driver's tooth. The deceased man's widow comes in to claim her husband's body. Ziva questions her about herself, her husband, and her past, leading to a mention of soulmates. When showed the corpse, the wife says that the dead body was not her husband Thomas. It is explained that Thomas is a political asset, smuggled to America illegally. NCIS then interrogates the man who smuggled him.

We are told that Thomas is paranoid, moving and switching addresses constantly. Following Thomas's trail, NCIS finds him being attacked by two men (one of which, a professor, Tony and Ziva had talked to before). The two men are stopped. We find out when Thomas's wife and Thomas are reunited, that Thomas, believing that his wife was dead, had remarried and had a child.

Lost & Found

Season 5

Episode Number: 103

Season Episode: 9

Originally aired: Tuesday November 20, 2007 on CBS
Writer: David North
Director: Martha Mitchell
Show Stars: David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Dominic Scott Kay (Carson Taylor), Chris William Martin (Brian Matthews/Taylor), Karis Campbell (Navy Lt. Elaine Taylor), J.R. Bourne (Det. Marshall Collins), Candice Coke (Det. Danielle Hamilton), Jeff Marlow (Survivalist Trainee #1), David Raibon (Survivalist Trainee #2)
Production Code: 103
Summary: The NCIS team has to babysit a 9-year-old son of a missing man, a survivalist who is somehow connected to a cold case murder. The investigation leads the team into the wilderness, where they discover a shocking truth about the man's past.



McGee visits the NCIS building with a group of young boy scouts and Abby shows them around in her lab. When demonstrating AFIS with the fingerprint of Carson, one of the boys, the system unexpectedly shows a hit: Carson was reported to be abducted in 1998.

Abby and McGee decide to wait for Gibbs to decide what to do next and he decides that Carson has to stay with NCIS for now. They then visit his step-mother, Lt. Elaine Taylor, who is shocked to hear this but does not succeed in get-

ting Carson back because she never legally adopted him, thus they have to find his father, who is a survival trainer and is currently teaching a class in the woods. They collect his personal items and Abby matches a fingerprint from his laptop to a nine-year-old cold case involving the murder of a shop clerk during a robbery by a Brian Matthews, thus they conclude Brian Taylor, Carson's father, to have been running from it (including changing his identity). Re-opening the cold case gets the Metro Police involved, which sends Detectives Collins and Hamilton to assist (and/or keep an eye on them).

McGee manages to find a clue on Brian's laptop that his wife, despite claiming not to, knew about his past but never confronted him. Tony and Ziva are sent out to search the forest for Brian while Jenny takes Carson home with her so he has not to stay with Child Services. Tony and Ziva manage to find a group of survival trainees but Taylor is missing because, as it is revealed, Carson managed to warn him that NCIS is looking for him. The team searches the woods with dogs and search teams but they only manage to locate his satellite phone and return back to NCIS empty-handed. They manage to track a single phone call to a man called Keane but when

they arrive at his house, he is dead, killed by a single knife thrust to the chest. The phone is off the hook and 911 is still on the phone asking for the reason he called. Abby manages to match the prints on the phone to Brian instead to Kean when Brian calls. He specifically asks for Gibbs and tells him to come to talk to him and McGee manages to track him so the team sets out to find him.

Abby in the mean time finds a hair containing a chemical in the evidence of the cold case which can only be found in hair spray sold after 2002. As the robbery took place in 1998, she concludes that the evidence was rigged. Only the two Metro Police detectives working the case had access to it and the scene changes to Collins stopping Brian at gun-point. He admits setting him up and plans to kill him but the NCIS team manages to arrive in time and arrest him. It is revealed that Brian had been found by Gibbs first and he gave him his bulletproof vest and a recorder thus setting Collins up. The episode ends with Tony failing to beat Carson's movie trivia high score which (among many other things) proves to everyone but Tony that Carson is very much like Tony.

Corporal Punishment

Season 5
Episode Number: 104
Season Episode: 10

Originally aired: Tuesday November 27, 2007 on CBS
Writer: Jesse Stern
Director: Arvin Brown
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard)
Guest Stars: Paul Telfer (Marine Corporal Damon Worth), Jose Zuniga (Navy Capt. Dr. Adrian De La Casa), Amy Carlson (Karen Sutherland), Patrick Fabian (Ray Vincent), Marcius W. Harris (Chris Jenkins), John Siciliano (Marine PFC Nathan Stone)
Production Code: 104
Summary: While trying to track down a delusional and violent Marine who thinks he's still in Iraq, the NCIS team will learn that the man has been the subject of a secret experiment - and it comes with a high price to pay.



The episode begins with Navy Dr. Adrian De La Casa trying to get into his car when his window is smashed and a man forces himself into the car and then forces him to drive him. Gibbs and his team are called to the Bethesda Navy Hospital because the man in the car was a Marine called Corporal Worth who was being treated for PTSD after having returned from Iraq two weeks earlier. They learn from the male nurse that Worth was not talking much or responding to the treatments. A man called Ray Vincent, who is

working for a Senator, urges Gibbs and his team to find Worth as soon as possible because the Senator wants to use the ceremony in which Worth is to be given a Silver Star as a PR-stunt.

They manage to track De La Casa's mobile phone and find him locked in his car's trunk but no sign of Worth. However, they find out about three other patients who were saved by Worth in Iraq. With only one of them in the USA, they go to a rehabilitation center where PFC Stone trains with a new leg prosthesis together with Dr. Karen Sutherland, who works for a private contractor. And they were right because Worth appears on scene shortly afterwards, still believing to be in Iraq and having to rescue Stone. Stone manages to convince Worth that Gibbs is one of the good guys and he lowers his gun but when McGee tries to handcuff him, he feels attacked again and defends himself. He manages to hurt McGee, Tony and Ziva before they can bring him down together. They transfer him to NCIS but not without consequences. McGee has a dislodged shoulder, Tony a broken nose. Ziva, who fought him as an equal, only has a swelling on her forehead. McGee and Tony think that Ziva has feelings for Worth because he is as powerful as she is.

Gibbs interrogates Worth as a Marine, i.e. by shouting and feeling for him and manages to get a blood and urine sample from him for Abby to examine. She manages, encouraged by Ducky, to find traces of anabolic and high levels of testosterone, thus concluding that he might have been

subject to a super-soldier experiment, which leads them back to Dr. Sutherland. They find out that she was indeed using company technology outside the government's control but only to help children in Africa. She supplies information about the companies super-soldier plans but none of their chemicals used match those in Worth's blood.

Worth has been transferred back the Bethesda in the mean time, on order of the SECNAV. They go to visit him despite Vincent's attempts to stop them. De La Casa shows them into his room and Ziva asks him who gave him the steroids but he has a shock and attacks them and breaks down when he has Ziva locked at the door. De La Casa explains that someone changed the dosage on the machines from the amount he prescribed. He also explains that he does not fulfill the orders himself and so they suspect Jenkins, the nurse. He admits that he sometimes stole medicaments but says he never did manipulate Worth. It turns out that Worth administered the steroids to himself to be able to join the Marines. Thus he does not receive a silver star but Gibbs takes his Silver Star that he received (and never wanted) and places it at Worth's bed.

Tribes

Season 5

Episode Number: 105

Season Episode: 11

Originally aired: Tuesday January 15, 2008 on CBS
Writer: Reed Steiner
Director: Colin Bucksey
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Dr. Ducky Mallard), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Shaun Toub (Khalid Mohammed Bakr), Jonathan LaPaglia (FBI Special Agent Brent Langer), David Haydn-Jones (Marine Capt. Jim Mills), James Parks (Brian Sikes), Jennifer Hetrick (Dr. Donna Dunlap), Walid Amini (Marine Lance Corp. Abdul Bakr), Fred Toma (Sunni Man)
Production Code: 105
Summary: After a young Muslim Marine is murdered near his Mosque, Ducky refuses to perform autopsy due to his religious beliefs, so the NCIS team tries to talk to the father of the deceased, and they send McGee to plant a bug in the Mosque, only to discover that the FBI already planted their bug.



Scene opens with a mosque and an evangelical Muslim preaching the need to save non-believers (infidels — for Muslims, this what a non-believer is) and connect with them. Outside, a young man staggers along the street, pursued by a madman wearing a hoodie (thus faceless). Staggering man has a gun but cannot fire it. Collapses. Hoodie takes gun and shoots him.

Ziva is watching a classic film and Tony is amazed. She indicates she is taking film studies to learn vernacular

American English. They get the call to go to the dead marine (staggering man). Turns out that, when they show his photo at the local mosque, the iman is the dead man's dad.

When Ducky is about to do the autopsy, he reports that there are no surface indications of any struggle. Gibbs cannot fathom why a marine who has fought in war would not protect himself. Ducky is about to cut open the body when Ziva brings the Marine's dad to the door and he pleads for the autopsy not to be done. Ducky decides not to do it. Gibbs is a bit surprised, you might say.

They have to gather evidence by other means. Turns out the FBI has been bugging the mosque, but they are not cooperating...until the FBI-man realises that Gibbs is on the case. The FBI man used to work with Gibbs. They have a relationship where, every time the FBI guy used a 3-dollar word, he had to pay Gibbs 3 dollars. Jenny does not get this male bonding; the pointlessness of it bamboozles her (and most of the female audience, we suspect). It shows that Gibbs and his protege can pick up where they left off. They like each other whilst insulting each other cheerfully.

Ziva, when approached by the FBI-man who is looking for Gibbs, stands and preens herself in front of him. He offers his card, and Tony snatches it, trying to assert his authority. Tony says "what an ass" (meaning donkey) and Ziva, gazing at the guy's arse, agrees. Tony is discombobulated.

Ducky works out that non-invasive imaging would allow a virtual autopsy but, in the time frame he needs it done, they have to do it on the sly, so he takes the body to a hospital and slips in the backway. The magnetic resonance imaging uses magnets, which pulls a bit of metal from the body and thus Abby has the chance to work on some evidence. The metal is the broken off hypodermic needle, that still has toxin in it. The toxin is from the (Australian) blue-ringed octopus (it is an octopus that is small, has pretty blue rings and has the most neurotoxic venom known, so don't put one in your fishtank, ok?) Because the needle broke when inserted in our victim marine, the toxin was not delivered efficiently and thus the man was able to stagger down the road, but hard to tell whether the bullet or toxin actually did him in. The needle is old and thus of a metal that is magnetic, unlike modern needles. Abby, when telling this to Gibbs, is gobsmacked at something so old...from the 1970s. Gibbs just looks at her. She realises that he remembers the 70s. She tries to backtrack from her 'old' statement and gets tangled in her words. Gibbs just looks at her. As he leaves, he tells her to "lose the bubble wrap", which is the bubbled packaging material that she laid on the floor at her door, so she would know when Gibbs enters as he usually enters silently. She looks disappointed that he doesn't like her cunning plan.

FBI man delivers unto Gibbs the recordings of all the bugging they did in the mosque.

Gibbs wondered if there was a pattern involved in the killing of this Muslim marine. McGee did a search and found out that 2 other Muslim marines died within the last few weeks of "natural causes". All three marines who died had the same marine personnel officer. The marine denies having any part in the deaths until Gibbs tells him he's going to be sent to Gitmo in Cuba.

Then the marine cuts a deal to get civilian trial and NOT be prosecuted as a terrorist and in return gives the name of the baddy. When team gets to the baddy, he is already dead and holding the dead marine's prayer beads. Ziva recognises the prayer beads (and is about to say the iman took revenge on his son's death) but Gibbs asks her whether she truly knows they are the same beads...she pauses, looks deep into Gibbs eyes, reads the silent message that "we don't want to recognise this clue" and agrees that she does not recognise them after all...and the ep ends.

Stakeout

Season 5
Episode Number: 106
Season Episode: 12

Originally aired: Tuesday April 8, 2008 on CBS
Writer: Frank Cardea, George Schenck
Director: Tony Wharmby
Show Stars: David McCallum (Chief Medical Examiner Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Senior Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Pauley Perrette (Forensic Specialist Abby Sciuto), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Lauren Holly (Director Jenny Shepard)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Susan Kelechi Watson (NCIS Intel Analyst Nikki Jardin), Gretchen Egolf (Det. Andrea Sparr), Reggie Lee (Jonathan Chow), Kevin Rankin (Dennis Moran), Ned Vaughn (Navy Capt. Dean Pullman), Cyd Strittmatter (Joanne Wright), Abigail Mavity (Jordyn Wright), Philip Lenkowsky (Squeegee Man), Amy Lyndon (Goldilocks), Adria Dawn (Sandra Frasier), Jerry Kernion (Scott Rowe)
Production Code: 106
Summary: The NCIS team goes on a stakeout in a warehouse to catch a suspected thief of a high-tech naval radar, but they accidentally end up witnessing a murder. Meanwhile, Ducky hides a secret from the rest of the team.



McGee and DiNozzo are on a stakeout, watching a warehouse to find a stolen navy radar system. McGee, walking back after picking up breakfast for the two of them, sees what he assumes to be a drug deal going on. He tells Tony over his headset that as a federal agent he thinks it's his duty to stop the deal from happening. Tony reminds McGee that doing so would blow their stakeout cover and that he would slap McGee silly if he did that. Via his headset, McGee says to Tony, "Oh you're gonna slap me?" as a hooker walks out, overhears him and says "If that's what you want honey." Watching in

binoculars, Tony says, "Go for it McFreaky, Goldilocks is just your type." McGee replies with "Bite me" and Goldilocks tells him that will be extra. McGee steps into the road and just misses getting hit by a car. Tony watches and laughs.

We see the computer screen being used to watch the radar system begin to fritz. Tony smacks the computer and the screen goes back to normal. When McGee shows up in the room and brings Tony breakfast, Tony proudly tells him that the computer began to fritz and he fixed it. Tony sees the breakfast and complains he wanted scrambled eggs, not sunny-side up so McGee walks over, grabs the container and shakes it. When he puts it down he says they are scrambled and goes back to the window to watch the warehouse. Tony throws McGee's burrito at his head and frustrated, McGee goes for Tony.

Ziva and Gibbs are doing surveillance and Ziva wants to know if prostitutes get bored doing the same thing every day. Gibbs tells her to watch the warehouse. Gibbs contacts Abby inquiring

about whether or not she was able to get information about who rented the storage locker. As Abby is filling him in, Ziva notices a van pulling into the warehouse but it turns out to be nothing. Tony shows up and uses the binoculars. Gibbs comes out of the bathroom and asks where McGee is. Tony turns around and Gibbs notices he has two black rings under his eyes. He looks at Ziva, who looks away innocently (she pranked him by putting paint or marker on the binoculars so it would rub off on his face). Tony whines about working with McGee but Gibbs just gives him a look to silence him.

McGee arrives and fills Gibbs in on his inability to track down the anonymous source of the tip. They realize that whoever tipped them off about the warehouse is going to great lengths to remain anonymous. McGee mentions to Gibbs that the same BMW has been around dealing with the same buyer. Gibbs tells him to record it and turn it over to the local police while he and Ziva leave. Tony hands the binoculars over to McGee while he mans the computer and the webcam brings his profile up on screen. He notices the "raccoon" look on his face and blames McGee. McGee tells him it was Ziva then notices an argument going on outside with the drug dealer and buyer. The dealer and buyer walk down an alley, out of sight as McGee turns the video camera and captures the face of the dealer as well as the BMW's license plate.

Episode 5.12 Stakeout Gibbs and Ziva are leaving the building when someone comes running out of the alley calling for help. Gibbs and Ziva find the BMW driver dead in the alley. The local police are called and the dead man is identified as Scott Matthew Roe. Gibbs tells Detective Sparr that NCIS has video of Rowe going into the alley with a Caucasian male. She starts to ask why NCIS is there and he tells her he'll send her the video. Tony walks up and crosses the police line. Detective Sparr tries to stop him and realizes he is with Gibbs. Tony turns on the charm as he introduces himself but when she nods her head for him to move, he goes back to the other side of the police tape. He remarks about the crime scene and gets Sparr's take on it. She asks what he thinks and he says that a man driving a \$90,000 car in a bad neighborhood wouldn't turn off the car, let alone leave it. As Gibbs walks away, Tony says he worked Baltimore PD Narcotics for 2 years and Sparr says she had 3 years before transferring to Homicide. He remarks that the pipe used for a murder weapon is an odd choice for a drug dealer. He walks away but not before checking out Sparr's butt as she walks away.

Abby is in Ducky's lab, spinning around on a chair. When Ducky asks what she's doing, she says she is trying to change her spacial orientation to get a new perspective. He asks how it's working but of course when she gets up, she's dizzy. He tells her when she regains her equilibrium, he has a John Doe and wants her to run a "CBC with Platelets, a complete chem screen and CK." As she's leaving, Abby notices the John Doe doesn't have a case number. Ducky says he's working on it and will give it to her later so she leaves.

Jonathan Chow, Captain Pullman and Gibbs are meeting. Chow is unhappy that NCIS hasn't recovered the radar yet as he was supposed to be installing it into a "Zemel Class Destroyer" (stealth destroyer). He claims his company had spent 10 years working on it and demanded it to be released to him immediately. Gibbs wanted the radar system to be left in the storage locker so they could figure out who had stolen it. Captain Pullman tells Gibbs the destroyer is due to have sea trials the following month. Gibbs is aware if it gets delayed, he'll be in trouble with SecNav.

Ducky is doing research in his lab when Tony comes in and startles him. After some small chit-chat about his stakeout assignments, Tony asks Ducky how well he knows the local police department's ME. Ducky admits he sees the guy on Tuesday nights to play bridge. Tony asks Ducky to get him the autopsy report on Rowe. When Ducky asks why he's not going through normal channels, Tony admits he and Starr didn't see "eye to eye." Ducky asks if Gibbs knows Tony wants the report and Tony shakes his heads no.

Gibbs and Ziva are on surveillance duty at the warehouse again. Ziva is crawling around on the floor looking for any booby-traps Tony might have set. McGee walks in and Gibbs sends him to the warehouse to replace the batteries in the camera. McGee goes over the storage locker and when he walks in, he hesitates. He asks Gibbs what he's seeing and Gibbs replies that they see the radar system. When McGee asks if they see him, Gibbs says no. The camera pans into the storage locker, which is empty, as McGee tells Gibbs they have a problem.

The NCIS team is processing the storage locker when McGee says the camera is fine and working properly. Gibbs slams a ladder and tells McGee to figure it out. Ziva tells Tony they are a team and puts out her hands and says "no more practical jokes". After a brief hesitation, Tony shakes her hand and they agree. Ziva mentions they need warrants to search the other storage

lockers so Tony leaves to put some pressure on the Warehouse manager to allow them in.

Gibbs waits at MTAC to communicate with Captain Pullman. Pullman finally arrives on screen and says that SecNav isn't happy and they want to speak with Director Shepard but she's out of the country. Gibbs says this is true when questioned. Pullman explains SecNav is concerned that the radar system is in the wrong hands and Chow is unhappy as it'll take his company 9 months to remanufacture the radar system. Gibbs asks if the sea trials have been postponed and Pullman says they haven't because SecNav isn't ready to go public yet, especially if the radar system has been compromised.

Ducky brings Tony the autopsy report on Rowe and admits he had to agree to be the ME's bridge partner at an upcoming weekend tournament. In a nutshell Ducky says the man died of blunt force trauma; he'd had a quadruple bypass before the age of 40 and ate all the wrong foods. There was no trace of drugs in Roe's system. Tony thanks Ducky and says he owes him. Ducky said, "Don't worry dear boy, one day I shall collect." Tony heads out and asks Ziva to cover for him.

Episode 5.12 Stakeout Gibbs comes down from MTAC so Ducky "exits stage left." Gibbs asks where Tony is and Ziva hems and haws and finally says he had an errand to run. Gibbs smirks and tells Ziva to never cover for him. McGee says he was finally able to trace the anonymous tip they got about the radar system to a cell phone. He admits he got the serial number and was waiting for the service provider to get back to him with who it belonged to.

Tony tracks down Sparr at the murder scene. After they exchange some barbs about her butt (see quotes below), he tells her about the autopsy report. She is upset with him at first, but he asks her to trust him as he has a gut feeling about the murder. Tony says he feels responsible as he could've stopped Rowe from getting murdered, but thought it was just a drug deal. Sparr agrees as long as Tony doesn't do anything without telling her first. She tells him there were no prints on the murder weapon but NCIS' video gave them a good print of the dealer's face. They were able to ID the dealer as Dennis Moran; multiple drug arrests, twice convicted. Rowe was a stockbroker, lost his license and had several shady deals with a history of financial ups and downs. Tony's phone rings so he answers it and walks away from Sparr to talk. As he's chatting on the phone, she checks out his butt.

Gibbs walks into the observation room off interrogation and McGee says the anonymous tip came from Jordyn Wright's cell phone. Gibbs assumes McGee is talking about the mother but McGee says Jordyn is the young girl. Jordyn denies sending a message to NCIS and asks them to return her phone. Gibbs asks her if she was at Dupont Circle the previous Thursday at 7:30pm. The mother, Joanne insists Jordyn was home but Jordyn admits she was at a local Java joint and admits she let some guy use her phone for \$10 as he couldn't get a signal. Gibbs asks if she would recognize him if she saw him again and she says "I guess."

Tony and Ziva are staring at Rowe's driver's license on the big screen in the office. Ziva asks Tony about whether or not the local P.D. knows what he's up to and Tony says he and Sparr have an arrangement. Ziva says Sparr must be hot and Tony replies she is, but not at the moment as he's working. Gibbs, McGee, Jordyn and Joanne walk through the office area while McGee tells Jordyn she's going to love Abby (who will be doing a computer generated drawing of the man Jordyn saw). Jordyn asks Gibbs if it's some kind of tests, then points to the big screen (Rowe's picture) and says he is the man who gave her \$10 to use her cell phone.

Ziva is checking under her desk when McGee crawls under with her. She admits Tony hasn't gotten her back yet for the binoculars. She gets to her feet and tells him Sparr is on her way up with Tony. Gibbs walks in, sees McGee on his knees and says, "say one for me while your down there McGee." Gibbs and Tony bring Sparr up to speed as far as the case goes, but they leave as much as possible "classified" about the stolen radar system. Ziva introduces herself to Sparr and puts her hand out, but Sparr ignores her. They all watch as Nikki Jardine walks down the stairs wearing a hospital mask because four people in her department have come down with the flu. Sparr asks Ziva what her name was again but Ziva ignores her.

Gibbs and Jardin meet with Captain Pullman and Jonathan Chow again. Gibbs lets them know that Rowe was the individual behind the anonymous email but doesn't let them know anything further than Rowe is dead. Chow stresses out about the time it will take to remanufacture the radar system and the possibility of the company losing the contract. Pullman remains calm and asks Jardin if she was able to pull up Intel. Gibbs tells him he'll let him know while Chow leaves the room.

Abby joins McGee in the basement. He shows her the model of the warehouse and says he made it to show Gibbs so his eyes won't glaze over while explaining technology. Abby makes a comment about Gibbs then panics when she thinks he's there. They turn around but don't see anyone. McGee does a run through of how the theft of the radar system occurred when the thieves tapped into their camera signal using a scanner. The thieves provided a "loop" of the feed so the team remained unaware of the radar system leaving the locker. Abby said it was so simple even Gibbs would understand it. Gibbs responds from the open elevator that he did, but McGee is still not off the hook until the radar system is found.

Ducky is reviewing some x-rays when Palmer returns. He immediately removes them and puts them in an envelope. Palmer inquires what he was working on and Ducky says it was an old case. Palmer offers to file the x-rays but Ducky says he'll take care of it. As Palmer observes, Ducky puts the x-rays in his middle desk drawer and locks it.

Jardine approaches Gibbs at his desk and tells him the silence on the "channels" suggest that the missing radar was more than likely a "domestic" job. Gibbs receives a call and leave the room. Jardine approaches Ziva and tells her that she saw Tony putting something under her car earlier in the day. Ziva goes flying out to check as Jardine admits to McGee that Tony put her up to it.

Abby shows Gibbs and Sparr that a partial print she lifted off the storage rental agreement belonged to Rowe. Sparr gets a call and announces the Dennis Moran was spotted so they all head out to find him. When they arrive "Goldilocks" asks if there is a reward and Tony says "yeah him" and points to McGee. They are able to corner Dennis as he is coming down the fire escape but he pulls a gun. He says he didn't kill Rowe but ran because he didn't want to go back to prison. As Tony tries to talk him down, Dennis lifts his gun and Gibbs grabs him from behind, causing Dennis to drop the gun.

Gibbs interrogates Dennis while Sparr and Tony watch from observation. Dennis admits some man paid him a couple bills to watch the warehouse and call him when the feds arrived. He is unable or unwilling to tell Gibbs what the man looked like. Gibbs walks into the observation room and Sparr wants to take Dennis to Metro P.D. to charge him but Gibbs won't allow her to.

Ziva walks in and grabs a bag with lunch from McGee's desk (he's eating his burger). She opens her burger but before she bites it, she asks who she owes and McGee says "Tony." Ziva tossed the burger in the trash and Jardine asks if Tony would really do something to her food. Gibbs walks in and says "Oh yeah." McGee tells Gibbs about Rowe's stock market reports and bank statements which showed that Rowe had sold 50,000 shares of Jonathan Chow's company. Pullman walks in so Gibbs heads up to MTAC with him for a conference. McGee remarks that anyone could have pulled off the theft, including Pullman.

In autopsy, Palmer and Ducky begin going over requisitions. Abby comes in with the blood test results from the John Doe. She tells Ducky that the white blood cells were normal but there was a high enzyme level of creatine kinase. Ducky looks upset, thanks Abby, grabs his coat and hat and leaves. Abby and Palmer talk after Ducky leaves and Palmer says they don't have any John Doe's in autopsy.

Ziva asks Tony if he slept through his alarm as he walks in late with Sparr. He and Sparr admit they did background check on Rowe and discovered information about the sale of Chow's company stock from the stockbroker. McGee did a check on Rowe's credit cards and discovered a bill from a bar, 5 weeks prior on his statement. He cross referenced them against Chow's and found a similar bill from the same bar, same date/time and both were waited on by the same server. Gibbs has them bring Moran in.

Chow shows up at a bar and goes up to Moran. Chow asks if Moran is the guy who called him. Moran says that he saw Chow hit Rowe with a pipe and he'd better sit done because Chow probably doesn't want him talking to loudly. Chow first claims he doesn't know what Moran is talking about but then asks what he wants. Moran says he wants \$50,000 and Chow wants to know how he can be sure Moran won't double cross him like Rowe did. Chow says it'll take him time to come up with the money and Moran gives him until the next day. Chow goes to leave but gets surrounded by the NCIS team and Sparr. Gibbs says "you got a lot of 'splainin to do" while McGee holds up a video camera and says Chow couldn't block that transmission. Starr takes Chow into custody and reads him his rights. Moran asks Gibbs if it'll help him with the judge and Gibbs tells Moran he did great.

In MTAC, Gibbs and the team brief Pullman on what went down. McGee explains the radar

system didn't work as there was a glitch which would have taken months to fix. They found the system in the back of truck in long-term parking at Reagan International Airport. As they head back down to their desks, McGee says that Rowe would have made more money off the sale of the stock than what Chow was paying him. Ziva says "if I never go on a stakeout again, it'll be too soon." She sits down at her chair and falls over. Tony and McGee both pretend they are busy as Ziva peeks over her desk to see who pranked her.

Palmer and Ducky are in autopsy when Gibbs comes down. Gibbs sends Palmer on the pretense that Abby is looking for him. Palmer says he just left her but after Gibbs gives him a look, Palmer leaves. Ducky asks what is wrong and Gibbs says he didn't think they kept secrets from each other. Ducky realizes Abby went to Gibbs with the blood tests results. Gibbs says Abby cares and she's worried. Ducky says he is in excellent health and if Abby had looked further, she would have seen it wasn't Ducky's blood type. Gibbs asks who as Ducky goes to leave. Ducky replies that Gibbs is putting him into a very difficult position. Gibbs said "I can't think of anybody you'd stick your neck out like that for except Director Shepard." When Ducky remains silent, Gibbs asks if it's Jenny.

Dog Tags

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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Rachel Kimsey (Petty Officer Erica Perelli), Roger R. Cross (Lt. Cmdr. David Warfield), Jorge-Luis Pallo (Lt. Matthew Sanchez), Brian Gross (Petty Officer Colin Dixon), Matt Corboy (Petty Officer Lance Tolliver), Derrick McMillon (Lt. Scott Bowen), Tripp Pickell (Petty Officer Pete Bidwell), Brian Jones (Uniformed Guard), James Ryen (Seaman)
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Summary: When a dog owner is found murdered, the NCIS team must determine if his dog committed the murder or not, and Abby decides to fight for the dog's life by trusting her instinct about the dog's innocence. Meanwhile, Gibbs learns about Jenny's secret.



The team pulls up in 2 cars, with a warrant to search a Petty Officer's house and bring him in for interrogation on drug trafficking charges. Ziva, Tony and Gibbs enter through the front door and Gibbs sends McGee through the back door. Tony kicks the front door in and enters. and as McGee is about to head into the back sliding doors, a german shepard leaps out and attacks him.

Gibbs, Ziva and Tony find the house clear, but the dead body of Petty Officer Hanson on the living room floor. Tony says, "we gotta stop serving warrants after lunch. \$10 says McGee spills it on this

one." Ziva asks where McGee is and a shot goes off. All three run out to the back yard and find McGee getting off the ground, injured and bleeding and the german shepard whining and bleeding on the ground from a gunshot.

Dog Tags Palmer is checking out the dog and determine it was a "through-and-through" shot. Tony jokes it's good McGee wasn't a better shot. Ducky is wrapping McGee's hand and asks when he had his last tetanus shot and McGee replied the last time he and Dicky Newsom had fought over the galactic wand of Obie Wan Kanobie. Tony said "So last year sometime." Ducky goes to give the dog a shot to alleviate pain and Palmer gives him advice on where the shot should best be given. Palmer replies he'd spent two years working as a veterinary assistant during college and offered to patch the dog up. Ducky left him to it as he went inside to process Hanson's body. Gibbs called Ziva and Tony back inside to help process the crime scene and sent McGee back to the lab with the dog "Butch." (Later renamed Jethro by Abby.)

The deceased is revealed to be Petty Officer Kyle Hanson, dog handler working with the Drug Enforcement Unit. Ducky finds bite marks, torn flesh and says Hanson died from being mauled by a dog. Tony makes a sarcastic remark about Ducky solving the case and Ziva asks if he woke up in the wrong bed. Tony said, "if your question is did I wake up on the wrong side of the bed the answer is no. But my mood did sour some when I walked in and found out our chief suspect was dead." Ducky determined Hanson had been dead for 36 hours. They remarked how had they gotten to him sooner, they would have gotten information on the drug trafficking. Tony said "Thanks to Semper Fido, he's (Hanson) never going to roll over." Gibbs glares at him and Tony apologizes and Gibbs puts his index finger up in front of Tony and says "Play dead."

Ziva calls Gibbs into the bedroom. Tony walks in ahead of him, sees Ziva bent over looking under the bed and says "Room with a view" as he takes a picture of Ziva's backside. Gibbs comes in behind him, says "hey" and head slaps Tony. Ziva pulls a packet of ripped cocaine underneath the bed and Tony finds a bundle of money in one of the drawers.

Dog Tags McGee pulls into the garage and Abby ask what happened. McGee tells her a vicious dog attacked him and he was shot. Abby runs to the back of the car and finds "Butch" with his legs bound and a muzzle on. She removes the muzzle and clips the binding off his legs. McGee tells her the dog is vicious and that Ducky and Jimmy sedated him. Abby asks who shot the cute little dog and then turns on McGee for shooting an innocent animal. Abby said "dogs don't kill people, people kill people." Abby takes McGee's jacket and covers the dog and McGee asks if she's aware she's compromising the evidence with his \$500 jacket. Abby says, "If you think I can't distinguish the fibers on your stupid jacket with the evidence on the dog, you don't know me McGee. And right now, I don't want to know you." She pets the dog and says "good dog" then points to McGee and says "bad McGee."

Back at the office, Jenny came down and approaches Gibbs and says she had just gotten a call from Pax River Base Commander talking like the case was closed. Gibbs said what they found was a dead end, the case was still open. Jenny says the commander claimed the had gotten their man but Gibbs says they got one link and still had five suspects. Jenny said from the commander's point of view, they got their man so the problem is solved. Gibbs asks if that is her point of view. She says she can sympathize with his patience and Gibbs said she could sympathize, he would continue to investigate. Jenny said she couldn't afford to waste resources if the trail had gone cold. Gibbs said "Director the only thing that has gone cold is the body in autopsy." Jenny said the clock would be ticking and she would inform the base commander that Gibbs would be prudent in his disruption of the commander's operations.. She walked away as Gibbs watched her. Jenny turned around and quietly asked if there was something else but Gibbs remained silent, then turned and walked away.

Abby's Rockin Car McGee walked into the office and Tony asked if they checked him for rabies. McGee said they hadn't and Tony kept looking at him so he asked "what". Tony called him Cujo and explained the movie plot line to him (dog got rabies, started biting people in the town - their brains began swelling up and they were foaming at the mouth). McGee took out a CD and checked his mouth in the image. Ziva said he didn't have rabies and told Tony to stop getting him all worked up for nothing. Tony said "she's right McGruff, but you might want to worry about our dead Petty Officer's blood as it was on the dog and he might have had transmittable diseases like herpes or hepatitis or malaria." Gibbs came in and started asking for information and updates. Ziva explains that a Pax River C130 goes to Cuba every week like clock work. McGee pulled up the flight records and crew on the flight and they came up with 5 suspects. Tony says he has no leads, Ziva's flirted with every Petty Officer on the base and McGee's watched 100 hours of Petty Officer Junction" and McGee says "150 actually." Gibbs tells them to go back to the base and talk to the other dog handlers and Tony said "to see if one of them barks, I know." Ziva and Tony pack up to head out and Gibbs quietly asks McGee if he's okay, to which McGee replies he is.

In her lab, Abby is swabbing the dogs mouth and says "that's a good Jethro" and Gibbs walks in and said "I'm a good Jethro." Abby smiled and said "don't be mad be flattered. He's so strong handsome and quiet so that's why I named him Jethro." (The dogs name was originally Butch but Abby said she renamed him because "Butch" was just too butch.) She tells Gibbs she got all the evidence but has no results yet. Gibbs keeps saying "Abbs" and she tells him she knows she shouldn't get attached to the dog because of what they think he's done and Gibbs says he's glad he doesn't have to tell her. Abby is hugging the dog and Gibbs tells her the dog belongs in a kennel but Abby claims he's innocent but at Gibbs' stare, Abby puts the dog in the kennel. Abby

tells him she swabbed the dog's mouth and the victim's wound and she's going to prove the dog's innocence. Gibbs leaves and Abby bends down to let the dog out as Gibbs yells from the hallway "the dog stays in the kennel Abbs." So she locks the kennel door again.

Ziva is questioning a Petty Officer, showing him pictures and the PO said he doesn't know everyone or everything. Ziva remarks that his shoulders work much better than his mouth because each time she asks him a question, he just shrugs. He says he works with dogs, not people. She asked him about Hanson and the PO shrugged again. She got upset and said "You don't like us being here do you. Is it because we're cops interviewing cops or is it because you guys could not sniff out who was smuggling drugs and we have to do your job for you. The PO puts his head down and apologizes, saying he didn't know Hanson all that well. The PO finally says that Hanson was a showboat, liked to flaunt the cash and told Ziva to draw her own conclusions.

Tony questioned PO Erica Perelli and she said she didn't like to speak ill of the dead but Hanson couldn't keep complete control of his dog. Tony asked what would happen if the dog got a taste of cocaine and she said it would be bad. Tony said "it must be a pretty ruff job. I don't wanna dog ya with more questions but if I need to sniff around some more is there a number I can call." She squashed him said the folks inside keep track of her pretty well, he could check with them and walked away.

In autopsy, Ducky and Palmer are checking out the wounds on Hanson's body. McGee walks in and Ducky asks if he's gotten his shots. McGee said he felt like a dart board but guessed it was better than being a chew toy. Ducky said if McGee was looking for his findings, he'd have them in a minute. McGee said he just wanted to know what the symptoms of rabies were and Ducky said Palmer would explain why McGee didn't have rabies. Gibbs walked in and asked if Ducky had the results; Ducky said he had enough. He went to hand the results to Gibbs but Gibbs said "oh no, we're going to do this one together." He put his arm around Ducky and led him out the door, up to Abby's lab.

Abby was dancing with Jethro, playing Nellie McKay's "The Dog Song." Abby greeted them and asked Ducky if he'd met Jethro. Ducky said "quite a number of years ago" and Abby laughed and said not him, the dog. Gibbs told Abby that Ducky had his findings. Ducky said that Petty Officer Hanson had been mauled and had a neck wound that severed his carotid artery that made him bleed to death. Gibbs asked if Abby understood what Ducky was saying and Abby said yes, that Hanson was killed by a dog but Jethro was innocent. Abby said she found pieces of Hanson's flesh in Jethro's teeth. Gibbs said that sounds innocent. Abby and Ducky compare notes and Abby believes that Jethro was trying to drag and save Hanson, not kill him. Ducky argues that Hanson was trying to protect himself from a dog that was trying to kill him. Abby said she still had a lot of evidence to process and hadn't gotten the DNA results on the saliva yet. As she said it, the results came on her screen as a positive match to those of "Butch" aka Jethro. When Ducky said "Butch", Gibbs handed him the dog's collar with the name Butch engraved in it.

Up in the pit, Ziva, McGee and Tony are reviewing surveillance footage from the airplane and crew they know are behind the drug trafficking. They see a hand-off and realize it's a bag of funyons. Gibbs walks up and asks what they got and Tony said "a sudden urge to hit the vending machines." McGee says "besides eye strain not much boss." Tony announces that the group "Pax River Panama" will be shipping out in 36 hours. They ask Gibbs if they should bring the crew in but Gibbs said they would go to them instead, catch them off-guard. Gibbs calls for Ziva and Tony to go with him as his cell rings (it's Abby telling him she's got something) and he tells them to meet him in the car. McGee says "Boss" but Gibbs walks away without responding.

Gibbs shows up in the lab and Abby has him look into a microscope. He says "it's a bug" and she said it wasn't just any bug but a flea. Ducky found a flea on Hanson's body but when Abby checked Jethro, she didn't find any. Gibbs said the flea could have jumped off the dog onto Hanson and Abby said it would never hold up in court. Abby holds up Ducky's report and Gibbs asks if she read the rest of it. Abby said that sometimes Ducky is wrong, not often, maybe one time." Gibbs puts his coffee down, puts his hands on Abby's arms and says "Abbs, we have to give the dog back." Abby says he knows what it means and he tells her she can't keep the dog. Abby looks like she's about to cry and argue back but looks away and agrees. Gibbs pats her arm, grabs his coffee and starts to head out. Abby says she'll give Jethro back after she's done collecting evidence off him. Gibbs turns back and asks her how much more evidence she needs; they got the dog's saliva on Hanson, blood in the dog's teeth and the dog attacked McGee. Abby opens the kennel and tells Gibbs to look and asks him if Jethro looks like a killer. Gibbs said

Abby is just making this harder on herself. As Gibbs gets off the elevator, he stops when he sees Ducky approach Jenny with a file. Jenny notices Gibbs watching and puts her arm on Ducky and steers him up the stairs to privacy.

While McGee is reviewing more surveillance footage, Petty Officer Erica Perelli shows up to collect Jethro. She notices McGee's wounds and asks if he was the one who shot the dog and remarks that the bites look like they were pretty bad. McGee stutters as he says that he's been bitten worse but he loves dogs and owns one. She asks him if he does and he says no, not yet but soon very soon if the right girl comes along. Then covers his mistake and says "girl dog, I want a girl dog. I like boys but.." Gibbs walks in and says "don't ask don't tell McGee." McGee introduces Perelli to Gibbs and tells him why she's there. Gibbs remains silent as Perelli says the dog has to be put down due to navy policy in fatal dog maulings. McGee offers to bring her down and Gibbs just stares at him and then leaves. McGee and Perelli agree to go by first names and McGee says that Abby has grown quite attached to the dog. Perelli worries about how attached when they walk into the lab to discover both Abby and Jethro missing.

Gibbs pulls up to the hanger, gets out of the car and takes out his badge, announcing NCIS. Tony says "gather round boys we're gonna have a chat." The commander says they are going on a training mission and Gibbs says they aren't. Each of them take one of the crew members and interrogates them. One of the Petty Officer's tells Tony it's bullcrap and Tony said if by bullcrap you mean this is your worst freaking nightmare then your right, this is bullcrap. All three of them interrogate the crew and come up with very little information. When they are leaving, Tony asks if Gibbs think they are all involved and Gibbs replies no. Ziva asks if he thinks they rattled them and Gibbs replies "we'll see."

Abby pulls up to the base in a rather classic (ZZ Top type) car, bright red with her music jamming and Jethro in the passenger seat. When the base guard asks if he can help her, she pulls out her NCIS badge and says she's looking for fleas. The guard says yes ma'am and lets her through. Her license plate reads "4NS CHIK." Abby pulls up in front of Hanson's house and let's Jethro out. Jethro has other ideas and bolts across the street towards a wooded area. Abby chases after him calling "Jethro" and two seamen running by stop and one of them says "I'm Jethro." Abby catches up with Jethro who is digging in the dirt. She puts the leash on him as her cell phone rings. She greets McGee who asks her where she took the dog. Abby admits she went to Hanson's house but tells McGee that he'd better get everyone down there as she thinks they have another body. She is starrng at the ground Jethro just dug up and sees skeletal remains.

The team has shown up and Ducky and Palmer are unburying the bones. Palmer is standing over Ducky, brushing dirt off some remains and the dirt lands on Ducky. Ducky says "be careful Mr. Palmer, we're trying to unbury bones, not buy mine." Jethro barks and McGee says the dog should have a muzzle on it. Abby tells McGee he should have one on as it's not like Jethro shot him. Gibbs gives Abby a look and she acknowledges she shouldn't have taken him out without permission but points out that Jethro might have found another important clue. McGee remarks that it could also be another of his victims and Gibbs says "or maybe it's his lunch." Ducky replied "Only if he's a cannibal Jethro, the remains are canine."

Back in the pit, Tony comes out with what he believes is a clue on one of the crewman, Warfield. It appears Warfield had a cousin who had been busted for drugs a few months prior and was currently MIA. Gibbs tells him to keep digging and Ziva hands him more information on Warfield. Gibbs reads it then hands the file back to Ziva and says "Fetch." As Ziva and Tony are walking out, Petty Office Perelli walks by. Tony says hi to her and she calls out "Hi Timothy" and he responds "Hi Erica". Tony makes a remark and Ziva replied "maybe she prefers McGee's scent."

Perelli and McGee go down to Abby's lab so Perelli can take Jethro back. When they arrive, Abby has locked herself and Jethro in her office and won't come out. She turns up her music to ignore McGee's knocking and voice. She tells him she won't open the door until Jethro is proven innocent. McGee tells her to not make a scene and she says she is in "full scene mode." McGee says she can't stay in there forever and she tells him she is stocked with Caf-Pow (she has a big thermos full of it!) and kibble (big bag) so she's good for a few days. She goes back to sit down and Jethro starts barking so McGee hides behind Perelli.

In Interrogation, Ziva questions Warfield. When she brings up his cousin, he asks if it's all about his loser cousin who he is not even close to. Ziva says "close enough to give him some of the blow you smuggled in" and Warfield denies smuggling anything. Ziva says they are aware

that his plane brought the drugs in every 3 weeks over the last 3 months like clockwork. Warfield said that 2 months prior he didn't fly the plane back, he remained behind in sick bay in Panama. Ziva pulls his file which shows he was admitted for a respiratory infection but signed himself out for a 3 hour period for 2 consecutive days. Warfield finally admitted that he was involved with a woman who had a child who needed the medication. So he faked his illness to get medication for the child. Ziva listed the charges that could be brought against him and said she smelled a dishonorable discharge in his future. She told him she'd forget everything he told her if he'd confess what he knew about the drug smuggling and Warfield said he knew nothing. When Ziva joined Gibbs in observation, they agree that Warfield wasn't involved.

Gibbs leaves interrogation and gets on the elevator. Jenny ends up getting on as well and says "your investigation." Gibbs replies it's moving along and turns and stares at her. Jenny hits the emergency button and stops the elevator; she turns and says "you've been looking at me all week like you want to ask me something." He asks her if she has any health issues, she says she's fine. He asks if she's sick and she restarts the elevator and says her health is fine but his could take a turn for the worse if he doesn't wrap up his investigation.

Jenny shows up at Abby's lab and asks if there is a problem. Abby says there is no problem so Jenny tells her to open the door, which she does. Jenny comments that the dog doesn't look so good and Abby pouts that it's because he knows he's on death row. Jenny bends down and pets him. Abby argued that she had to fight for what she believed in and she wouldn't give up the dog until he was proven innocent. Jenny said "sometimes things aren't so simple Abby. Sometimes you can't control the outcome. Sometimes you have to look at the reality in front of you and accept it." Abby said "I can't, I won't." She bent down to pet the dog and realized he truly didn't look well.

McGee entered the pit and sat down to review the surveillance tapes on the big screen. When he hit play, he jumped out of his seat as dogs began barking. Tony replaced the surveillance CD with the movie "When Dogs Attack." Gibbs walked in and Tony noticed he'd gotten an email from Abby. The cocaine they found in Hanson's house had traces of hydraulic fluid on the wrapping. They realized they needed to question Petty Officer Bidwell further. As they grabbed their badges and weapons to leave, McGee called "boss" and Gibbs told him to "come on." (which put a big smile on McGee's face again!)

The team showed up at the hanger and began searching the plane Bidwell was working on. Ziva walked into the cargo area and found a pool of blood. She climbed over 2 large pallets only to discover Bidwell had been murdered. The team began to process the crime scene, and when Gibbs exited the plane, Tony handed the finger print to McGee and told him to dust for fingerprints "only on the surfaces he could find a print" and then said "the whole plane."

Abby rushed an ill Jethro into autopsy and asked for Ducky's help. Jethro had gotten ill and coughed up blood. Palmer brought over the x-ray machine and they took an x-ray of Jethro's stomach, which revealed there was a triangular shaped object in his stomach that didn't belong there. Palmer sedated Jethro and he and Ducky did the surgery and removed the object. Gibbs called in to have Ducky come to the base to get Bidwell's body and Ducky told him they'd found the tip of a knife in Jethro's stomach. Hanson had a mark on his neck that didn't fit with the dog's mauling and the blade Ducky found in Jethro's stomach was a perfect match. Upon further investigation, the knife blade fit perfectly into the wound they found on the remains of the dog they'd uncovered the day before. Ducky said the two crimes were related.

Gibbs went back to the plane and called for McGee. Tony said it was a big plane and processing it for finger prints would take all night. Gibbs said "I hope you brought a warm coat DiNozzo." McGee took pleasure in returning the finger printing case to Tony and told him the same thing Tony had said to him about dusting only on the flat surfaces where he could find a print.

Back in the pit, Abby went to McGee to get him to donate money for flowers for Jethro. McGee inquired why he would want to donate for flowers for a dog that mauled him. Abby said that "dog is a man's best friend or maybe because I'm a forensic scientist and I could boil you up from the inside out and not leave a trace." McGee stuffed money into Abby's jar as Gibbs walked in. When they reviewed the surveillance tape, the killer had parked their vehicle just right so they weren't caught on film. McGee got a match to the knife tip and it was a navy issue tactical boot knife. They did a search for anyone requesting a replacement knife since Hanson's death and came up with one name they recognized. Gibbs sent McGee to the evidence locker to get evidence log 421.

Back on base, Gibbs and Ziva confronted Petty Officer Erica Perelli. Ziva asked if she'd re-

ceived her replacement knife and Perelli asked how she had known about it and then said "not yet." Tony asked what happened the knife she'd been issued 3 years prior and she said she lost it; Gibbs said "in Hanson's body." The team revealed that Perelli and Bidwell had framed Hanson when they learned of the investigation into the drug trafficking and made it look like Hanson had been killed by his own dog. Perelli planted the evidence in Hanson's house to make it look like he was behind the drug smuggling. They said she'd killed Bidwell because she didn't believe he'd hold up under interrogation. Perelli said she wasn't a lawyer but did they really believe their case, which was based on her requisitioning a new boot knife, would hold up in court and Gibbs said "nah". She smugly said I didn't think so. She asked if they had a warrant as she started to put her dog in the car and McGee said it was in his coat pocket. Another Petty Officer walked by and said "seek" and his dog started barking at McGee. Tony joked that McGee still had that magic as McGee removed the evidence item from his pocket which was cocaine from the crime scene at Hanson's house. Gibbs held the cocaine in front of the dog and he didn't react and he said "your dog don't hunt." Perelli put the dog in the front seat and Tony said she'd killed her dog and replaced him with an attack dog because she needed one who wouldn't react to cocaine. Ziva walked up and told Perelli she was under arrest for the murders of Petty Officer's Bidwell and Hanson. As she went to slap the cuffs on Perelli the dog started barking and went to attack but Ziva pulled Perelli out of the way as McGee shut the door before the dog attacked. Tony said "you just seem to attract all the sick puppies Timothy."

McGee walked into Abby's lab and she was sad. Abby said that Gibbs had gotten permission for her to keep Jethro but her landlord said no. She wanted to find him a new home and then worked on McGee to take the dog home. She introduced them to one another and told them to shake. When neither moved, Abby told Jethro he'd have to be the bigger man so Jethro lifted his paw and McGee shook it.

Internal Affairs

Season 5
Episode Number: 108
Season Episode: 14

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Writer: Jesse Stern, Reed Steiner
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Recurring Role: David Dayan Fisher (Trent Kort), Joe Spano (Sr. FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit)
Guest Stars: Rob Arbogast (FBI Special Agent Wentworth), Rocky Carroll (NCIS Asst. Director Leon Vance)
Production Code: 108
Summary: The dead body of La Grenouille finally surfaces and the entire NCIS is put under the investigation by the FBI, with Jenny as the prime suspect for his murder.



Tony comes in to work with a cup of coffee (no lid) and laughing about something on his cell. He gets startled when Ziva slams the hole puncher on some papers, and she tells him its housekeeping day. Upon hearing Tony has hot coffee, McGee warns Tony to stay away from the servers near his desk because he is backing up 3 years worth of investigations from all their computers and the machines are very sensitive. Tony then shows up near McGee with cup in hand and starts to hover over the machines. McGee looks on anxiously and warns him again about the sensitivity of the servers. Tony replies

"Well so am I McZero. Do you think I'm a complete klutz?" Tony then pretends to balance his coffee cup and McGee grabs it from him. In the process they both end up spilling the contents of the cup which is nothing but paper disks from the hole punch. Tony said, "Curly McNeil, they worked." Gibbs comes in and asks if the phones work because he's been calling. Ziva tries her phone with no luck. Gibbs tries his with no luck either as the screens all start to scramble and power down. McGee panics as his back-up servers shut down while the elevator doors open announcing the arrival of Fornell and his team. Tony said "It's not my fault, I didn't do this" while McGee is banging on the servers with a clipboard. Fornell walks up and said, "There's no need for that" and Gibbs asks Fornell what's going on. Fornell said "It's a shutdown Gibbs. A few months ago they pulled a body out of the bay. The local PD had him on ice while they were tracking down a DNA match." Jenny is coming down the stairs as she listens in. Fornell said "The body has been identified as Rene' Benoit." Jenny asks if La Grenouille's dead and Fornell tells her he was murdered. He announces for all to hear that the entire unit is under investigation.

Abby slams her hands down on the table in front of Ducky and said "This is ridiculous. We're prisoners in our own evidence lock-up." Ziva replied that they weren't prisoners while Tony

looked at the FBI Agent watching them and said "We're evidence, so we're locked up." Abby said "Well why are we being guarded then? I mean we are being guarded right?" (Points to the FBI Agent) "You are being very guarded about whether or not we're being guarded." Ziva smiles and McGee tells Abby to relax as he's sure she's not a suspect. Abby wants to know who their suspect is and Ducky replies that the FBI wasn't ready to walk anyone out in handcuffs yet. Ziva said "They are trying to keep it quiet" and Tony said the FBI didn't even know what they were looking for. Abby asked if they were supposed to hand the FBI their first clue and Ducky said "Not us, Gibbs."

Gibbs and Fornell are walking down the hallway to interrogation and Gibbs asked how Fornell landed the job of investigating them. Fornell replied "Intimate knowledge of the case history made me the obvious choice." Gibbs asked if Fornell would have a problem with his personal relationships with the people involved and Tobias said it wouldn't be a problem as evidence led to someone in the building. As they walked into the interrogation room, Gibbs sat down and asked "What evidence?" Fornell stood there and said "the other side" so Gibbs got up to move to the "suspect" side of the table so Fornell could interrogate him. Gibbs smirked as he moved and eyed the two-way mirror. On the other side, they showed the eyes of a man, nothing more, watching the interrogation. An FBI Agent poked his head in and said "Coffee sir?" and the man replied "I don't drink coffee" then put a toothpick in his mouth to bite on when the agent left.

Fornell hands Gibbs a picture of La Grenouille and commented that Gibbs didn't seem surprised. He said that he had evidence that Gibbs' team had significant contact with La Grenouille on the day he died. Fornell talked about the car bomb that exploded in Episode 5.01 when the team thought Tony was killed. Gibbs said the bomb was meant for the daughter, not La Grenouille. Fornell said "Somebody was taking things personally. You ever figure out who that was?" Gibbs replied "Nope." Fornell said the time of death coincided with Ziva, McGee and Gibbs' raid on La Grenouille yacht's. Gibbs said they'd just missed him and the three of them had been in the office all night securing the warrant. Fornell said the reports should verify that. Gibbs asked if it was his alibi Fornell was after then admitted that he was at Jenny's house prior to them getting a warrant. Fornell said they had a copy of Shepard's phone records indicated she'd spoken with La Grenouille earlier in the evening. He asked Gibbs if he was part of the conversation that went on in the house. Gibbs flashed back to that night and told Fornell that La Grenouille wanted protection. Fornell said "Maybe you should've provided it." Fornell asked if Gibbs was providing protection for anyone else. Gibbs flashed back to a conversation with Jenny in MTAC where she said she'd been after La Grenouille for a decade. Gibbs realized it wasn't his alibi that Fornell wanted but Jenny's. Gibbs told Fornell if he was going to accuse the Director of NCIS of murder, the evidence had better be good. Fornell said he wouldn't be there if it wasn't and Jenny's always been after La Grenouille and had made a mess of things. Gibbs told Fornell that when the investigation was done and Shepard was cleared, he wanted to see the file. Fornell said "When it's done and IF she's cleared, I just might let you." Fornell closed the file, walked out the door and told another agent to take Gibbs back down with the others. Gibbs sat staring at the two way mirror as the man on the other side stared back (without seeing one another). The man left the observation room.

In Jenny's office, she sat at her desk being "watched" by a female FBI Agent. The man from interrogation walked in and she said "Long way from San Diego, Leon." He replied, "SecNav felt this warranted a plane ticket." She asked if he was interrogating her staff or if he already had a suspect." He just smirked and Jenny smirked back and said "Well, Assistant Director Vance, you gonna ask for them?" When he said nothing, she opened her drawer, took out her gun and badge and laid them on the desk. When she stood, Vance relieved her of her duties then suspended her.

Gibbs walks out of interrogation and runs into a smiling Vance, who hands Gibbs \$2.42 for a cheese danish. Gibbs commented that it was 8 years prior, Vance corrects him and says 9. Gibbs asks if Vance is responsible for the fishing expedition. Still smiling and biting down on his toothpick, Vance replies "The Bureau is driving the boat." Gibbs nods his head and as he walks by Vance said "Keep it off the rocks." As Gibbs walked down the hallway, he passed McGee. McGee asked what he should say and Gibbs told him the truth as he hadn't done anything wrong.

In interrogation, McGee flashed back to a time when he hacked into the CIA. Fornell snaps his fingers and asks why McGee is nervous and where his head is at. He said "I know that you've hacked into everything from the corner store to the CIA, McGee and I don't care." As McGee is on egg shells, Fornell asks McGee if Shepard ever asked him to investigate the details

of her father's suicide. From the other side, Vance watches the interrogation. Fornell said McGee didn't come up with the idea on his own and McGee said "Gibbs. The Director was particularly aggressive in her pursuit of the arms dealer La Grenouille. Agent Gibbs was curious as to her motivation." Fornell said "Gibbs doesn't get curious, he gets suspicious. What did he suspect?" McGee said that Jenny had believed that La Grenouille was responsible for her father's death, as he swallowed hard. Fornell asked "Is that why she put Agent DiNozzo under cover?" and McGee replied he couldn't speak to the nature of DiNozzo's assignment. Fornell asked if McGee and Tony had a professional relationship as McGee flashed back to numerous times that Tony called him nicknames or threw stuff at him. McGee said his relationship with Tony was very professional. Fornell pumped him for more information about Tony's assignment and said "it's not the time for you to be covering for your friends." McGee replied "I was not privy to any of his actions because of the aforementioned undercover operation." Fornell pulls out a piece of paper and said McGee had been privy to it at one point in Canada.

They switch to Fornell interrogating Ziva on the same undercover mission in Canada where the Director tried to nail La Grenouille but was forced to let him get away. Fornell mentions how Ziva is Israeli and was "trained" to do what it is she does by Mossad. Ziva said she would hate to be misunderstood. Fornell asked it happened often and Ziva replied "Once in a blue lagoon." Fornell said "I think I'll be able to translate. I repeat, what was the purpose of the mission to Canada." Ziva said they'd received intelligence that the subject would be in the vicinity. He asked if they were attempting to apprehend the subject, who was now deceased. Ziva flashed back to Canada with her weapon trained on La Grenouille and replied "No." He asked what her role was and when she didn't respond, he got in her face and said "You were there to kill him because that's what you do." She said she was just there to ensure mission safety and was never given a fire order. He replied it's because she was called off at the last moment by a deep undercover agent named Trent Kort. Fornell said Shepard had manufactured the entire mission to put a bullet in La Grenouille's head as he shows her the photo of a dead La Grenouille.

Ducky is now in interrogation picking up the photo. Ducky said "We'd met only once, I was rather taken by the man." Fornell gives him the details of how they found La Grenouille. Ducky complimented the ME who autopsied the body and then asked to see it which Fornell denied. "Four eyes are better than two" Ducky said. Fornell said the cause of death had already been established as a gunshot wound to the head. Ducky shrugged his shoulders and asked what Fornell wanted from him. Fornell asked Ducky if he'd been asked by the Director for a profile of La Grenouille and wanted Ducky's opinion of that encounter. Ducky flashed back to giving his opinion to Gibbs, telling him Jenny was consumed by her mission to get La Grenouille and she would go as far as it took. Ducky said Jenny did manifest obsessive behavior. Back downstairs, Ducky talked with Gibbs about his interrogation and asked Gibbs if he felt Jenny had done it. Gibbs walked away towards the elevator and the agent got in his way and told him he couldn't leave. Gibbs patted his jacket, reached inside it and said "You know what, you're gonna have to stop me" as the elevator chimed and Vance got off. He asked if there was a problem and Gibbs replied "If you want it to be." Vance said "I know it's always been lost on you Gibbs, but they write the rules for a reason." Gibbs said he had rules too and then asked if there was any reason for them to be kept there.

Vance said "I'm well aware of your relationship with Director Shepard. I've never been comfortable with intimacy between management and staff myself" to which Gibbs replied "Me either." Vance announced to the team if they had been interviewed by Fornell, they were free to go. Tony smacked his head in response. Vance told them to not investigate the case and left. Gibbs pointed to Ducky as Abby vented her frustration over Vance. Gibbs waved at McGee and Ziva and said "Come on let's go, we got work to do." They both replied that they couldn't investigate the case and Gibbs replied "We investigate the FBI."

Gibbs is digging under his workbench as McGee and Ducky come down the stairs. McGee announces that Ziva is shaking the FBI tail and Gibbs said when she arrives she can help McGee hack into Fornell's computer. McGee explains his computers are under "quarantine by the FBI and wants to know what he can use. Gibbs blows dust off his laptop and says "Here, you can use mine." McGee looks puzzled and said it didn't have wireless so Gibbs slapped a cord on top of it and McGee said he'd figure it out. Gibbs asked Ducky to get in touch with the ME's office to get the autopsy report and Ducky said "I'll have to be charming." Gibbs smiled and told him "Don't strain yourself." Gibbs tells him to go out the back-way through the hedge. Ducky remarks that

it's like playing a cat and mouse game and turns back down the stairway to share one of his infamous stories but the look on Gibbs face has him say "Remind me to share it with you later" and he leaves.

McGee shares that he may be able to get a signal and make it work but he needs an FBI Identification to get access to their mainframe. Gibbs holds out the ID he lifted from the Agent's pocket when he slipped his hand inside his jacket. When McGee just stares at him, Gibbs said "Questions?" McGee asked "Yeah, how do you get the boat out?" Gibbs replied "You just break the bottle" and went upstairs.

Back in the evidence lock-up, the Agent searches his jacket for his missing ID. Tony smiles and walks towards Abby who is digging through an evidence box and said "You wouldn't be breaking the chain of evidence now, would you, Abby?" She commented she doubted it as the guy had died in prison 2 years earlier. He tells her if she finds anything to eat, he's starving so she tosses him some "Clowny cakes". She pulls out a pack of Tarot Cards and tells him to concentrate. Fornell walks in and Tony stands at attention. Fornell tells him not yet and points to Abby. Abby looks to Tony who told her "Gibbs gave you a mission and everyone's counting on you. Now do what you do best." Abby's response is "Dance?" and he said "Talk." Abby left with Fornell while Tony flipped over "The Hanged Man" Tarot card.

In interrogation, Fornell says her name and Abby puts up a finger to tell him to hold on as she sucks down some Caf-Pow. He says he had gone over her in regards to the at question and she tells him "There's a problem with your theory of the crime. A big hole, I could drive a truck through it. Maybe not a truck because I was never that good with a double clutch but a truck driver could just..." as she makes a hand gesture to indicate he could drive straight through it. Poor Fornell just listens to her babble and asks if she cares to share. She said "It's obvious. You think there's a murder here right underneath Gibbs' nose and whatever took place took place without Gibbs knowing." He said, "And that could never happen?" She tells him she's going to share a secret with him, a theory she's been working on off the books, as she scans the room to make sure nobody is listening. She tells him "The man is magic, like dark magic. He has eyes and ears everywhere. He appears like a mist. Whenever I get a clue he just materializes." Fornell leans forward and said "Maybe he just bugged your lab." Abby smiles and replies, "No, I checked." He said, "What's that like, it sounds aggravating" to which she replies, "No." Fornell asks if Gibbs ever gets angry. Abby has flashbacks of Gibbs doing his infamous headslap and said, "Never. He only uses his powers for good." Fornell tells her she sounds like a fan. Abby tells him a crime like that would never take place under Gibbs' nose as he wouldn't allow it. Fornell looks really frustrated during this interrogation. He tells her he understands and tries to get her back on track but she tells him he doesn't understand and begins to tell him a story.

McGee has Ziva holding his cell phone across the room, towards the ceiling (he's using it to get a signal for the computer). When Gibbs asked if he got in, McGee remarks that the computer is so ancient it doesn't even have the things modern day protocols defend against. McGee has a totally geek moment discussing playing a game and Gibbs just stares at him so McGee gets back on track. McGee comes across something; Ziva shifts to see and both Gibbs and McGee yell at her to not move. McGee is able to find a hotel address of an eye witness who saw the murder take place. Ziva complains her arms are killing her so Gibbs calls her over. She places the cell phone on a beam and walks to Gibbs. Gibbs whips out a switchblade and said "The FBI car out front." Ziva says she's got it and smiles and starts to head up the stairs. Gibbs yells out, "Ziva. Their tires, not their throats." She just smiles and keeps going. McGee told Gibbs if he had a printer he'd be able to convert some of the crime scene sketches to dot matrix. Gibbs smirks as he digs out what is probably the first printer ever made and McGee's facial expression is priceless with a "what do you expect me to do what that" look.

Abby is alone in interrogation using her hand to try and "see" through the observation mirror. Fornell and Vance are in the observation room watching. Vance said the interrogation was going nowhere and Fornell said "I'm not entirely sure she's all there." Abby tells them she remembered something and Vance turns on the intercom and asks if it's relevant. Abby tells them about running fingerprints on the liquor bottle that had been left in the Director's study and tells them the fingerprints came from the Director's father. She said "I think it must've come from the CIA or something. I think they might be trying to frame her." Vance poked his toothpick in his mouth and told Fornell Abby was much smarter than he gave her credit for. They continue to watch and Fornell rolls his eyes as Abby presses her entire face and hands against the mirror and moves

her eyes back and forth.

Gibbs walks into the hotel, sees a woman leaving and follows her as she heads to and gets into a cab. Gibbs pulls out his badge and identifies himself, then addresses the woman and said, "Buy you a cup of coffee, Miss Benoit." La Grenouille's daughter, Jeanne is sitting in the backseat and looks stunned to see Gibbs standing there.

In Gibbs' basement, Ducky laid out photos of La Grenouille's body (like a puzzle). He talked to La Grenouille like he was there. He noticed the powder burns on the forehead, indicating contact with the weapon at close range with no defensive wounds. Ducky wonders why La Grenouille allowed an armed assailant to get that close to him unless it was self-inflicted. Reading the autopsy report, the ME reported that the wound was consistent with a left-handed suicide. McGee pokes his head down and asked if Ducky said anything. Ducky just looked at him so McGee left. Ducky wondered why the FBI was saying La Grenouille was murdered when they were told it was an apparent suicide. Ducky picks up the photo of his right hand, noticing a mark that was overlooked.

Gibbs and Jeanne are having coffee and Jeanne said she was expected at Gibbs office. Gibbs said the questions weren't his and Jeanne asked if the questions were about Tony. Gibbs said "No. Questions about your father."

Tony finally gets his moment in interrogation. He walks in and said "Well, we've been here before haven't we Toby. You were saying some pretty bad stuff about me back then. I hope you've learned a few things since then; I know I have." Acting all arrogant and cocky, Tony sits down, eating chips and looks in the two-way mirror fixing his hair. Fornell said that Tony must've done something right as the Director had picked him for a prime undercover assignment. Fornell asked how Tony got so close to Jeanne. Tony said "I know where your going with this. You'd like to learn a few pick up tricks. It's kind of a family secret and I took an oath so, sorry." Tony continues acting arrogant as Fornell interrogates him until Fornell asked if the Director ordered him to sleep with Jeanne. Tony said he wouldn't call it an order. Fornell asked how Tony developed feelings for Jeanne and he replied "Gradually" and had flashbacks of his and Jeanne's relationship. Fornell asked if the Director told Tony to break the girl's heart and Tony said "This feels more like a therapy session than an interrogation. Why are you so interested in my feelings?" Fornell replied "Because you had them" and smirked.

Jeanne told Gibbs she'd volunteered for a fellowship in Africa and her commute consisted of avoiding hippos. Gibbs asked her if it helped and she said "No, I couldn't get what happened out of my head." Gibbs tells her the FBI thinks her father was murdered and Jeanne said "I thought you knew." She told him she saw what happened that night so Gibbs asked her what she saw. Jeanne gets up to leave and Gibbs asked what she saw. She tells him she saw her father get killed. He pushes her for more information and chases her towards the taxi. She finally blurts out that Tony killed her father.

McGee is printing out the crime scene sketches as Ziva is taping the floor to match the "Yacht" image of the crime scene. She calls out "Duck" and Ducky replied "I only let Jethro call me that Ziva." McGee tells him she meant "duck" and points to the wires near his head. She puts a metal object in the "Yacht" and said a single shell casing had been found on the yacht and no blood spatter. Ducky said La Grenouille would've had to be standing near the railing so McGee reenacts the scene as a suicide with La Grenouille going overboard with the gun and the shell casing falling on the deck. Ziva puts a different spin on it indicating that someone walked up with a concealed weapon. McGee asks the question they all are trying to figure out "Why would La Grenouille let someone get that close to him with a loaded weapon?" Ducky asks Ziva about the mark on La Grenouille's right hand. She takes McGee's hands and said it was a pressure point and in Mossad they call it a thumb tap. Putting pressure on McGee's hand, she pretends she's aiming a gun at his head to reenact what really happened.

Fornell tells Tony that Jeanne must be going through hell and Tony said he didn't meant to hurt her. Fornell said, "What other option was there, she was in love with you too right? Come on Tony you're a better liar than that." Tony snaps out of his flashbacks of Jeanne and tells Fornell, "You're right. Everything I did with her was a lie. Just for recalling those lies, I believe that I am lying now." He looks into the mirror and yells "Are you getting all this? Cuz it's good stuff." Vance just blinks and continues to watch. Tony looks at Fornell with a serious look and tells him "Yeah, she was in love with me. We were in love. What else do you want to know?" Fornell asks him how it was supposed to end because there was never going to be a happily ever after. Fornell

mentions how Jeanne had nearly been killed twice the day her father died; once by a drug dealer and then the explosion in Tony's car. He said nobody knew better than Tony that the way to get to La Grenouille was through Jeanne. Fornell said Ziva told them she left him alone in Jeanne's apartment and wasn't able to reach him later on his phone. Tony said he'd gone for a ride to clear his head, he'd used a company car. Fornell continues to hammer away at Tony and then says "You killed La Grenouille."

McGee, Ziva, Ducky and Gibbs talk about Tony being set-up. Ziva mentions Tony had no alibi. Ducky remarks how no two suicides can be that identical and he's seen the mark before. Both he and Gibbs admit they'd seen it on the Director's father, Jasper Shepard. Gibbs dialed a number on his cell and said "Somebody's missing from this party."

Jenny walked into her office and told Vance not to get comfortable as he'd already scratched her settee'. She asked what the agents were looking for that were tearing apart her house. Fornell told her that La Grenouille was killed with a 9mm Glock and they can't find her's. She tells them they could've asked her, she gave it to La Grenouille and Gibbs witnessed it. Fornell said it works for him because DiNozzo could have taken it from La Grenouille. Jenny is puzzled by his statement and Vance tells her they have Tony in custody as an eyewitness saw him. She is livid when she finds out the witness is Jeanne Benoit and demands to talk to her. Fornell refuses but Vance agrees to it.

Jenny walked into interrogation and introduced herself to Jeanne. She apologizes to her and tells Jeanne she is responsible for her pain because she gave Tony the assignment. Jenny walks Jeanne through the last day her father was alive. Jeanne went home, packed a bag and wrote a note for Tony. On the way to the airport, she felt she needed to see 'him' one last time. As Fornell and Vance wonder if it's Tony or her father, Jenny gets Jeanne to say she went to the marina. Jenny tells her she's lying because the stars didn't align so she could pull in at the right moment to see Tony shoot her father. Jeanne says she killed her father but Jenny tells her it just feels that way. Jeanne admits she was supposed to go to the marina to see him but went to the airport instead and when he didn't find her, she knew he was dead. Jenny tells Jeanne that she keeps reliving it over in her head wishing she could relive that last moment and do things differently but assures Jeanne that her father loved her. Jenny got up, looked at the two-way mirror then left the interrogation room.

Vance asked Fornell who he wanted to talk to next then Gibbs opened the door and asked "How's the case?" Fornell replied it was falling apart and Gibbs said he was there to solve their problems and let Trent Kort in. In a round about way, Cort indicates he killed La Grenouille. Vance asks him for his get out of jail free card so Cort pulls it out and hands him some paperwork and tells him "Eyes only." Cort said "La Grenouille wanted to retire, he's retired." Vance said they were done asking questions and left the room. Gibbs put the pressure point on Cort's hand and asked who killed Jenny's father and Cort replied "Jasper Shepard." Gibbs lets him go and walks down the hall with Fornell. Fornell doesn't believe it and feels that Cort would say anything to keep a long term operation running and shut things down before too many questions were asked. He turns and asks Gibbs about the night at Jenny's when she gave La Grenouille the gun. Fornell asked "She gave him the gun" and Gibbs replies "She did". Fornell says that would explain how it got on the yacht and Gibbs simply replied "It would." Fornell said "Cort used that gun to kill La Grenouille." Gibbs didn't respond and Fornell said "Your right, she didn't do it." Gibbs asked for the file and Fornell said maybe.

Trent rounded the corner into the squad room and Tony punched him, sending Trent flying into the filing cabinets. Tony said "Hey Trent, he wasn't just an operative, he was somebody's father." Ziva stood behind Tony and Trent shoved Tony back then left, wiping blood from his mouth. Jeanne walked by with an FBI Agent and looked at Tony but he wouldn't look at her. Ziva told him to be a man, but Tony was angry that she had accused him of murder. Ziva told him "Who is the bad guy. Be a man. Go tell her what she needs to hear." You could see Ziva was struggling to tell Tony this. Tony stared at her for a moment and then walked over to stop Jeanne before she got on the elevator. Tony apologized to Jeanne that she got caught in all of it and she asked him if any of it was real. After a moment's hesitation, Tony told her no. She got on the elevator with tears in her eyes and told him she wished she'd never met him. Tony continued to stare straight ahead and not at Jeanne as the doors closed.

Jenny walks into her office and tells Vance she hopes he's not rushing out on her account. He said, "SecNav tells me your going to be taking two weeks of personal time." She puts her

gun and badge back in her drawer and says "Yes. It was never my intention to burden you with this responsibility." He tells her he doesn't mind but his wife isn't so forgiving. She points to his toothpick on her desk and asks if it's his. He tells her to keep it and she brushes it on the floor. Gibbs walks in and Vance comments he owes the Bureau for 2 sets of all-wheel radials. Gibbs said "Yeah, bill me" and shut the door behind Vance. Gibbs asked Jenny "Fairytale ending" and she replied "The Frog is dead and the Jesters have been kicked out of the kingdom." He replies, "And the queen is back on her throne." She said, "If your expecting some sort of knighthood I'm sorry to say I've misplaced my sword." He replied, "Maybe it's with your gun" and she simply said, "Maybe." Gibbs remarked how ironic it was that the Frog was an arms dealer yet never carried a gun. Jenny said "Except that night." She remembered giving him the gun and asked him if he remembered it differently. He flashed back to The Frog putting the gun back on Jenny's desk. Gibbs said "Long live the Queen." Jenny just stared at him.

In the Zone

Season 5

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Season Episode: 15

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Guest Stars: Ektimal Shbib (Iraqi Woman), Aleene Khoury (Tabina), Samantha Klein (Nurse), Sammy Sheik (Iraqi Militia Guard at Road Block), Wolf Amer (Iraqi Militia Guard at Shed), Rocky Carroll (NCIS Asst. Director Leon Vance), Susan Kelechi Watson (NCIS Intel Analyst Nikki Jardine), Josh Stamberg (Marine Major Ike Varnai), Rick Hoffman (Kelvin Ridgeway), Patrick Fischler (George Stenner), Elie Khoury (Jameel), Tony Daly (Marine Capt. John Rankin), Brooklyn McLinn (Marine Sgt. Jim Gilroy), Anne Bedian (Hamida), Jennifer O'Dell (Dina Rankin), Matt McTighe (Allan Hayes)
Production Code: 109
Summary: Two members of the NCIS team are sent to Baghdad to investigate a mortar attack that turned into murder.



Several marines are playing basketball in the "zone" in Baghdad. Suddenly, they are under a mortar attack and everyone hits the deck. When the attack is over several of the men stand up to assess the situation. They realize Captain John Rankin is still lying on the ground so they go over to check him. One of the soldiers turns over Rankin and they discover he has a fatal wound to the abdomen.

In the NCIS squadroom, Ziva and McGee are looking at a picture on his computer. Tony walks in and asks what's up and Ziva tells him it's private. She then posts a picture of McGee and Jethro

(the dog from "Dog Tags") on the big screen. McGee takes a bit of ribbing from Tony and Ziva. Gibbs walks in and gets called down to autopsy.

Ducky shows Gibbs Rankin's body. Ducky tells him the wife pulled strings to get Rankin's body delivered to Ducky for the autopsy. After examining the body, Ducky tells Gibbs that Rankin wasn't killed by shrapnel from the attack but by a gunshot wound. They realize the mortar attack was a stage for murder.

Tony walks back into the pit and teases McGee about not having photos up of him and his "girlfriend." McGee informs Tony that the dog's name is Jethro and it's a male. Tony said "Hey whatever your preference." Tony went to his desk and began to type and with each key, a sound of a dog barking came from his computer. He demanded McGee fix it immediately and McGee replied "You're barking up the wrong tree." Tony figured he'd be funny so he sat on the keyboard

releasing non-stop barking noises until Gibbs walked in. Tony and Ziva bragged about how they'd been to Baghdad and McGee hoped that he'd be able to go.

Gibbs had the team give him a quick rundown on Rankin. They pulled up his information on the screen and realized Rankin was a millionaire by the time he was 30. Tony made a comment about Rankin's trophy wife when a woman walked up behind him and said Rankin was a reservist who had been called to active duty. When Tony asked who she was, the woman replied "The trophy wife."

Gibbs interrogated Dina Rankin. He asked if there were any enemies and his wife said one, Kelvin Ridgeway. She explained there was a deal with a piece of property called "Gloverfield" and her husband had the papers to buy the land. At the last minute, he refused to sign them going with a gut feeling he had. Gibbs went into MTAC with A.D. Leon Vance. They spoke with Marine Major Ike Varnai who said he liked Rankin and they informed him Rankin had been murdered, not a victim from the mortar attack. After they disconnect the teleconference, Vance asks Gibbs who he should send to Baghdad.

Nikki Jardine is in the bathroom washing her hands. Ziva walks in and notices Nikki has a paper with "5 reasons why I should go to Baghdad" lying on the counter. Ziva grosses Nikki out by asking her why she would want to go with all those germs there. She continues to taunt her about getting sores on her face and stuff oozing out of it. Nikki is adamant she wants to go. Ziva tells her that she hopes she can handle the competition.

Gibbs and Ziva pay a visit to Kelvin Ridgeway. The man is quite obnoxious, making sexual references to Ziva. They ask him about the deal and Ridgeway claims he didn't know why Rankin refused to sign. Ridgeway tosses a ball at Ziva and said to Gibbs "Wonder what you tell the wife about this one" (referring to Ziva). Gibbs smirks and gets up and Ridgeway inquires about it and Gibbs tells him he wouldn't mess with Ziva and leaves. Ziva tosses the ball back at Ridgeway and leaves. Ridgeway looks down to see that Ziva crushed the ball with her bare hands.

McGee visits Abby's lab. He is excited and wants the opportunity to go to Baghdad to prove himself. He was aware Tony and Ziva had been already so he wanted the chance. McGee explained that Tony had discouraged him from "volunteering." McGee was talking with Abby about what he should do (basically he talked in circles!). He ended up not going to Vance to volunteer as he didn't want to seem overeager and he figured that's what Tony assumed he would do.

Vance walks into the pit as Ziva and Gibbs return from their interrogation of Ridgeway. Ziva sees Nikki heading into the pit and they "race" to get in front of Vance. They both argue their point on why they should be sent to Baghdad (Ziva said she had contacts there and Nikki said she did to and hers were still alive.). Vance looked at McGee and said he was surprised McGee didn't volunteer as it was a great opportunity for an agent. McGee said Tony didn't volunteer either and Vance said Tony had spoken with him earlier. Vance assigned Tony to go to Baghdad with Nikki as his partner.

McGee and Ziva were disappointed they weren't able to go to Baghdad. Ziva looked up world clocks on the Internet, specifically Baghdad and McGee told her that Nikki and Tony had been there for 45 minutes already. Ziva said they were probably checking into their hotel.

A convoy pulled up outside a hangar in Baghdad. Varnai got out and showed Tony and Nikki their "hotel" while they were there. Varnai led them into the hangar, full of cots and told them it was overflow for visiting military. Nikki was upset that she didn't have any privacy. She grabbed her towel to shower when Tony showed her that the water coming out of the faucet was brown. She whipped out a box of towelettes and washed her hands and face. Varnai returned to take them out to the crime scene. Tony asked Nikki why she wanted to be in Baghdad and she joked it was good for her resume.

Varnai wasn't overly friendly while dealing with Tony and Nikki. He first brought them to the basketball court to interview two witnesses. A civilian contractor, Allan Hayes, claimed he didn't really know Rankin well and a Sgt. who claimed Rankin was a great soldier and an overall great guy. They dismissed the two men and checked out the scene. Tony realized the shot had come from behind Rankin and had Varnai bring him up to what was a family residence. When Tony turned to call Nikki, she was on the phone, speaking Arabic. He went up without her and realized the shot had come from the residence. He looked on the floor and pointed out a shell casing to Varnai. Tony called Nikki up to translated questions and answers with the Iraqi woman. The woman said a man named Ali MacMoud had been in that room and she hadn't seen him since the mortar attack. She provided them with his address. When Varnai, a team of soldiers, Tony

and Nikki arrived at MacMoud's home, they found a hysterical woman. The woman claimed Ali had been taken the previous night by hooded men and she believed they planned to execute him.

Gibbs interrogated George Stenner. Rankin had contacted Stenner the day before his death. Rankin had Stenner do a confidential soil test on the Gloverfield property before he would sign the papers. Stenner acted nervous and kept asking to go to the bathroom. Gibbs refused the first time and Stenner told Gibbs he'd provided Rankin a soil testing on the property. The soil test revealed that the property was contaminated and full of heavy metals (lead). Stenner said he'd only sent out one copy of the report, to Rankin but he'd email Gibbs a copy. Stenner asked to go to the bathroom again and Gibbs told him "no," then laughed and let him leave.

At "hotel" Baghdad, the camera panned to Tony and Nikki's clothes strewn about the floor. You could hear them making noises which implied they were being intimate. Finally, we see Nikki and Tony are excited that they got "three bars" on the computer signal so they could teleconference with the rest of the team. While awaiting their video feed, Tony told Nikki that "for someone who hates germs so much, you're a slob." The feed came through and Abby told Tony how much she missed him and asked him about the nut Nikki. Tony showed Abby Nikki was there. While Abby kept fumbling over her apology, Ziva was hissing in her ear that Tony and Nikki couldn't be sharing a room! Tony tried to get Abby to find the missing Ali as Varnai walked into their hangar. Tony disconnected when Varnai got testy about their reasons for being there and not being able to find Ali. Nikki made a phone call and got help on finding Ali but Varnai refused to bring them into that zone after dark.

The next morning, Varnai, a team of soldiers, Tony and Nikki went out looking for Nikki's source. When they stopped Varnai talked about attacks made on troops when they were stopped. Suddenly Nikki bolted out of the vehicle and walked ahead. Varnai wasn't happy and got the team to surround and check out the area. A young Iraqi boy walked out and one of the soldiers drew his weapon on him. It turned out this was Nikki's source, Jameel. Tony blasted Nikki for endangering everyone's lives and asked her to tell him the truth about why she wanted to be in Baghdad. Nikki admitted her brother had been shot in that very spot and she wanted to be where it had happened.

Jameel, went with them and lead them to the group, part of Al Shemar, holding Ali. The group leader was hostile and according to Nikki made reference to knowing Tony's mother very well and very intimately. They got permission to see and talk to Ali and Tony entered the building where Ali was being held.

Gibbs and McGee interrogated Ridgeway again when they discovered Ridgeway had called Steiner six times. When they brought up the soil report, Ridgeway basically didn't care and claimed he didn't know what they were talking about. Gibbs asked him if he didn't mind waiting while the rest of the team located the man who killed Rankin so they could talk to him. After a few minutes, Gibbs phone rang and Tony informed him that Ali was dead, his tongue had been cut out.

They questioned the guard on Ali's door and he said he'd brought Ali dinner the night before and hadn't seen him since. He had heard Ali making noises but ignored him. Tony began to check time of death with Ducky instructing him over the phone when Varnai walked in, trying to get them to leave. Tony followed Varnai out while Nikki continued the process. Tony gave Varnai a hard time and tried to pin down about killing Ali. Nikki walked out and informed Tony Varnai couldn't have done it as Ali had died four hours earlier and Varnai had been with them the entire time. Tony apologized to Varnai and said he was just doing his job.

Nikki complained about the smell in the room Ali had been held. When Tony asked, she said it was turpentine and it was giving her a headache. He asked her if she'd felt like that any other time during their trip. Nikki told him she had while questioning the Civilian and Sergeant upon their arrival. Tony realized Allan Hayes was a civilian contractor who had access to turpentine so he called McGee who did a background check on Hayes. Gibbs and McGee uncovered that Hayes had a criminal background and was under investigation for bribes while in Baghdad. They were going to have Tony question him until they discovered Hayes was on his way back to the US. Gibbs ordered Nikki and Tony back to NCIS.

Gibbs handed Ziva a copy of Stenner's report and McGee, the report found with Rankin's belongings. The two reports differed. McGee realized Rankin had done his own check, discovering a ceramics plant had been on Gloverfield years before. This plant left the land contaminated. They also discovered the contract to purchase the land was missing from Rankin's belongings.

Before Nikki and Tony left, Nikki explained that her brother had been shot. He had been dying in the street and a man came out to help him until help came. When other Marines arrived, they assumed the man was an Insurgent so he was killed. The man was Jameel's father; he had saved Nikki's brother Eric's life. Nikki delivered the laptop computer to Jameel and his sister, Tabina before they left Baghdad.

Gibbs and McGee showed up at the airport. They saw Hayes arrive and McGee assumed Ridgeway would be meeting him. Gibbs asked McGee why he was certain Ridgeway knew about the deal when they saw a man approach Hayes. They walked up to them and Gibbs greeted George Stenner. Stenner had doctored the report he gave to Rankin saying the land was fine. Rankin had a gut feeling it was wrong and did his own check and discovered Gloverfield had had a ceramics factory on it years prior. He knew Stenner had lied to him and refused to sign the papers. Stenner provided Gibbs with the correct report to cover his own hide. Hayes had hired Ali to shoot and kill Rankin when they realized Rankin knew the truth. When Hayes realized NCIS was there, he learned where Ali was being held so he snuck in and killed him. Hayes then boarded a plane to return to the US. Stenner admitted he had only done it for the money.

Nikki arrived at a hospital to visit her brother. Turns out her brother was in a coma. She told him she'd seen Jameel and his sister. She then put in a CD of music they used to listen to with their parents when they went on vacation. She asked him if he remembered.....

Recoil

Season 5

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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Michael G. Hagerty (Andy Hoffman), Ella Thomas (Heidi), Mia Lee (Newscaster), Steve Kazee (Michael Locke), Nick Chinlund (Det. Steve Rosetti), Scott Holroyd (Navy PO Kevin Massey)
Production Code: 110
Summary: While on an undercover mission, Ziva's life is put in grave danger when the serial killer she's been tracking becomes suspicious of her.



Andrew Hoffman is washing blood off in the bathroom sink when he receives a cell phone call by someone waiting outside to pick him up. He walks by a dead female body, lying on the floor with a large jagged cut across the torso, as he exits the home. The body, clad in bra and panty only, lies on a sheet of plastic with shoes, clothing, and a bloody pocketknife next to her body.

Hoffman enters the awaiting car and gives the driver, Ziva, a passionate kiss. As Ziva drives away from the house, Gibbs tells Tony, dressed in coveralls sitting in a service van across from the

home, to enter the home. Gibbs and McGee are in a separate vehicle tracking Ziva via GPS. Hoffman is taking Ziva, who he refers to as Gina, on a mystery date. Apparently, this is an undercover sting operation. Tony enters the house to hide surveillance bugs, but finds the dead body instead. He phones this fact to Gibbs, referring to her as victim number five. The victim's ring finger has been severed; a signature of the serial killer they are investigating. Gibbs decides to apprehend the suspect immediately; tells McGee to phone Ziva with the distress code word, "Bernard." Ziva tells the caller he has the wrong number and hangs up. Suspicious of her, Hoffman takes her phone to see the call ID lists "Gibbs." She passes it off as a wrong number, but he sees it as number 2 on her speed dial. Keeping her calm she says it was an ex-boyfriend. Hoffman pulls out and points a snub-nosed revolver at Ziva, forcing her to drive to an abandoned warehouse. Gibbs and McGee track down the vehicle to find it empty with no evidence indicating where they went.

Inside the warehouse Hoffman admits to killing the women for sleeping around on their husbands who were away fighting for their country. He forces her to the back of the warehouse where he intends to kill her. Ziva, gun pointing to the back of her head, hears the hammer of the gun being cocked and turns out of the bullet's path enough to avoid the full impact, but it

grazes her right temple. Hoffman loses the gun during the struggle. As Ziva reaches for it, he pulls out a knife to stab her. Ziva fires five shots into him as he stands over her, causing him to fall onto her. Gibbs and McGee hear the shots and rush in to aid a visibly shaken Ziva. Gibbs gives her the rest of the day off to seek medical attention, but she hangs around, insisting she is fine. Detective Steve Rosetti arrives at the warehouse crime scene, annoyed about being removed from the case to allow NCIS to investigate and take credit for the takedown. Later, back at the office, Tony tries to make Ziva smile by tussling her hair in a playful manner. However, she grabs his arm and twists it; clearly not in the mood for Tony's antics.

The identity of the fifth victim is still unknown; Tony and Ziva return to the Oyster Lounge, where previous victims were known to frequent, which was how they initially found Hoffman using Ziva as bait. She is familiar to many of the bar's patrons including Michael Locke, a longtime patron looking for his girlfriend, Devin, who disappeared three weeks prior. Ziva tells him the truth about her undercover status as Gina. She confirms to him that she is responsible for shooting Hoffman as reported by the news. Michael recognizes the fifth victim as Julie and is worried his girlfriend may have fallen victim of the serial killer.

A day later Navy Petty Officer Kevin Massey comes into NCIS headquarters to thank Ziva for killing the suspect; his wife was victim number four. Ziva has a flashback of Hoffman's killing. Gibbs visits Ducky in autopsy, where Ducky has found an inconsistency in one of the murders. Victim number four's finger was cut off immediately after death, while the other four were dead for several hours before the amputation. Abby come in on rollerblades, justifying it by the amount of time she saves getting around the building quicker. She tells Gibbs she found a bloody partial print that does not match Hoffman's or the victims'; she theorizes that Hoffman has an accomplice.

Tony, in his usual juvenile way of showing concern for Ziva, continues to nag her. He offers to take her out for drinks, but she declines. He apologizes for the nagging saying he was trying to snap her out of the funk she is in. Ziva goes to the Oyster Lounge to relax on her own. Michael is there, still lamenting the loss of his girlfriend. Ziva decides to help find her.

Ziva arrives at work the next day despite being told by Gibbs not to come in. McGee finds evidence of a possible accomplice while reviewing the Oyster Lounge's surveillance footage of victim number three with Hoffman. Ziva thinks it may be a coincidence. Rosetti arrives at NCIS headquarters wanting to know why the investigation continues. Gibbs demands all of the evidence from Rosetti's case files despite his opposition to keeping the case open.

Ziva runs into Michael at the bar again. After some not so subtle flirting, they end up in his bed. As she sleeps, she mistakes his reaching over her to grab his glasses (on the nightstand next to her gun); she grabs the gun and points it at him. He pushes it away with his hand. She admits to being a former Israeli Mossad agent, which he takes to mean assassin. They patch up the misunderstanding and get back lovemaking. Abby analyzes blood from inside the handle of the knife that indicates a blood type different than all the known victims or Hoffman. She and McGee deduce the potential of an unidentified sixth victim. Tony uses this information and finds out the unmatched, rare B positive blood type is the same as Michael's girlfriend, Devin. Arguing over Michael's possible involvement, Tony realizes she has slept with him.

Among the many boxes of evidence Rosetti brings, McGee find a page is missing from victim number three's address book where the R's would be. Abby determines from video analysis that the accomplice is about 6' 1" and 180 pounds. In a private conversation Ziva admits to Tony these measurements are similar to Michael's. She accuses Tony of jealousy for pursuing him as a suspect. Later, with the entire team present, Tony likens the situation to the movie *Sea of Love*, where Al Pacino, a cop, sleeps with Ellen Barkin, a serial killer suspect. He say the zany twist is Ziva is Pacino and Michael is Barkin. Both Ziva and Gibbs is angered by the reference.

Meanwhile, McGee compares victim number three's phone records to calls placed to persons with last names beginning with the letter R; Det. Rosetti's name is on the list multiple times. During interrogation Rosetti admits to tampering with the evidence to cover-up his extramarital affair with Monica Bishop, victim number three who he meet at the same bar frequented by Hoffman. Gibbs riles him up by accusing him of being Hoffman's accomplice. Rosetti claims to have hidden his relationship to keep from being thrown off the case and losing his shot to take down the killer. Gibbs believes him.

Ziva goes to autopsy to view Hoffman body; she has yet another flashback. Gibbs enters, encouraging her to move on from whatever is holding her back. She confesses she almost died

because of her bad judgment with Hoffman in the warehouse. Gibbs tells her to trust her judgment, because the moment she doesn't, it won't be "almost."

Back at their desks, Tony lays out the circumstantial evidence against Michael Locke to Gibbs. Ziva steps forward with her gun, indicating Michael's fingerprints are on the barrel. Tony asks her what she is doing and she responds, "Trusting my judgment." Tony brings the gun to Abby, in the garage combing through Hoffman's car, for fingerprint comparison to the print on the knife. She finds a container in the trunk's spare tire wheel well, with four severed fingers which she and Ducky confirm are from victims one, two, three, and five.

Ziva brings Michael to the warehouse and recalls to him the circumstances around Hoffman death, again suffering a flashback. Back at Abby's lab the rest of the team determine that it was a copy cat, not an accomplice, with access to the knife who killed victim number 4, Patricia Massey. The copy cat could not have known to wait before severing the finger nor where to store it with the others. Also, Michael's print does not match the knife's bloody print, eliminating him as a suspect, leaving Patricia's husband, Kevin Massey, as the prime suspect. Gibbs says to always suspect the spouse; Ducky asks if that is from personal experience. Tony calls Ziva to confirm Michael is no longer a suspect. Michael overhears and takes offense; Ziva alleviates his concern that she was only interested in him as a suspect. He leaves unconvinced she is being honest with him.

Gibbs, McGee and Tony confront Kevin Massey at his workplace on a military base. They accuse him of hanging out at the bar connected to the first two victims, and following Hoffman home with victim number three. While Hoffman was away from his home, they say he broke in, stole the killer's knife, and used it to kill his wife in the same manner as Hoffman. Massey is taken into custody.

Ziva enters the Oyster Lounge to find Michael drinking his sorrow away. Ziva hands him a note with Devin's number, says Devin wants to talk to him. Michael thanks Ziva as she leaves. She looks back and smiles as Michael calls Devin on his cell phone.

About Face

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Guest Stars: Jacob Moore (Richie Rose Tyler), Adam O'Byrne (Mike Norman), Christopher Darga (Skip Harris), John Hughes (Enis Watley Frank), Rocky Carroll (NCIS Asst. Director Leon Vance), Scott Checansky (Milo Suskavcevic)
Production Code: 111
Summary: Palmer is put in grave danger when he becomes the target of an anonymous murderer, whom only he can recognize.



A navy building is being retrofitted. Two male construction workers use the elevator (lift) to get to the upper floor. The two men are chatting about the female office worker when one of them gets a call from him. The second man needs to head to the office and sign his time card. The guy smiles and teases his buddy as they exchange banter over who saw her first. As the elevator lowers, the first man's face drops and he stops the elevator. He sees a dead body on the roof of the elevator.

At the NCIS pit, Tony gets off the elevator finishing a phone call on his cell. He sees Ziva and McGee playing a game

of scrabble. McGee informs him it's a lesson to help Ziva with her English. McGee points out he is beating her by 50 points and then says she'll have a hard time using the letter "Q" to make a word. Ziva accuses him of cheating. McGee claims he didn't cheat, he simply counted the tiles on the board and came up with it through process of elimination. Ziva outsmarts him and makes the word "Qi" twice on the board, scoring 62 points and beating McGee. McGee challenges her win when Gibbs rounds the corner. McGee hurriedly shoves the game and tiles in Ziva's desk drawer. He tries to say he wasn't playing but teaching Ziva and they all tease him about losing.

The NCIS team shows up to process the crime scene. Gibbs chats with the foreman and one of the construction workers. He is told the dead man is not part of the construction crew. Upon the third floor, McGee's fear of heights is pretty obvious as he holds on tightly when he has to go near the edge. Tony teases McGee about it and jokingly gooses McGee with one of the crime scene numbers (#3 to be exact). Ziva removes the dead man's wallet to reveal his name (last name is Baxter). They finish taking photos, processing the scene and Ducky announces that the time of death was 4AM. McGee, Tony and Ziva head back down to the ground while Ducky and Palmer remain with the body.

Ducky heads down to fetch the gurney, leaving Palmer to remove the body from the roof of the elevator. When he does, a passport falls out of the man's back pocket. Palmer retrieves the passport and looks at it. He realizes the photo is of the dead man but the name is different. The name on the passport is Milo Suskavcevic. Ducky calls out to Palmer from below. Palmer drops the passport next to the body and goes to the edge to see what Ducky wants. Ducky teases Palmer about parking so close to the building so Ducky can't get the gurney out. When Palmer returns to the body, the passport is gone. He hears a noise and sees a figure moving to his right. He calls out thinking it's McGee. He follows the figure and calls out for Ziva but nobody answers. Palmer hears Ducky call the elevator down but rather than return to the body, keeps looking for the person he saw. The figure moves runs out from behind some pallets and Palmer yells and chases him. The man jumps over the side and as Palmer goes to follow, the man pulls out a gun and shoots at Palmer. Ducky hears the shots and runs towards them. He finds Palmer face down on the ground.

Back at NCIS, Palmer is uninjured but frightened. Gibbs and Vance chat and Vance heads in to interview Palmer. Palmer is flustered and cannot recall anything. When Vance asks him to describe the man, Palmer says the man had beady eyes and look "reptilian." Vance sighs and says "So we're looking for a beady eyed reptile with a big gun?" Vance asks Palmer how many feet they were from each other but Palmer is unable to answer. Palmer begins to draw it out to "triangulate" the crime scene to determine the footage. Vance stops him and sends him home, but orders him to see Abby in the morning.

Tony and Ziva head out to Baxter's address, which is a trailer park. Upon arrival, Tony jokes that they must have missed the twister. The camera pans to an empty lot because someone drove the camper away after Baxter was found dead.

Palmer tries to work with Abby on a computer generated sketch. Abby calls the final sketch "Dr. Jekyll." She erases it and attempts to try again. He feels frustrated with his inability to recall anything and the fact that he didn't stop the guy. Abby tells him he is baby Gibbs, which pleases Palmer.

Gibbs gets updates from the team. They are able to determine that someone made a phone call from the man's phone 4 minutes after Baxter's time of death. Initial reports don't reveal much other than Baxter has no criminal record, hadn't filed tax returns in 10 years. Gibbs points out a 5 foot gallon of a chemical that does not belong on a construction site. He tells Tony to get on it.

Gibbs heads down to autopsy and Ducky reveals the man did not die from the blow to his head. Baxter had been hit in the head and fell on top of the elevator. He lay there and died from the injuries and blood in his lungs. Gibbs realizes the man was alive long enough to have made the last phone call from his cell phone himself. Ducky detected a white substance that Baster had been breathing in. He tells Gibbs he sent the substance up to Abby to analyze.

McGee prints out a lot of color copies of different passports. Once again, Palmer is unable to provide much in the way of details. All he can tell McGee is that it was blue. Palmer feels frustrated and asks McGee if Palmer should have been able to stop the gunman before he got away. McGee politely tells Palmer that he is an experienced NCIS agent so he's the wrong person to ask. This seems to make Palmer feel a little bit better. Palmer wants to try anything to remember so McGee brings him to Abby's lab. Here, Abby tries hypnosis. She gets Palmer to go under and starts to ask him about the passport. Palmer smiles and says he sees brown leather and describes the brand and shoe size. Abby yells at him and tells him to put Ziva's boot down. She tries again and says her name to Palmer. Palmer smiles and describes Abby's boots, brand and shoe size (10). Abby yells at him to pull him out of it. Frustrated, McGee goes to leave as Abby blows out the candles she lit to help Palmer relax. Palmer begs them to try again. The second go round looks to be helpful as Palmer describes a man's face in great detail. Abby and McGee are excited as they come up with a composite sketch. Abby brings Palmer around and shows him the sketch. Palmer says "two shots." When McGee and Abby look at him, he informs them he described the man who makes his coffee in the mornings.

When Abby runs a test on the white substance Ducky sent her, they realize it was something that was in the building. Gibbs realizes the only way Baxter could have inhaled it was by drilling. The team heads to the construction site to see where Baxter had drilled. They discover Baxter had been drilling in the structure beams. They use some high-tech equipment to look through the concrete and discover skeletal remains in one of the support beams.

Abby does more research and calls Gibbs down. She shows him that she was able to match the marks on Baxter's head wound to one of the construction tools. She shows Gibbs an animated demonstration. She also tells him she found traces of copper on the man. Gibbs is pleased and kisses her cheek on the way out.

The team brings back the construction foreman that they had initially interviewed. The man confesses that he was selling the copper for \$4 a pound. He had gone back in the wee hours of the morning to get some copper. He was spotted by Baxter, who came after him. He hit him in the head with his cutting tool in self-defense and Baxter fell onto the top of the elevator. The foreman left the scene but not before washing off his tool. As he didn't use bleach, they find traces of Baxter's blood on it. When Palmer goes into the observation room, he informs them that while the man may have killed Baxter, it's not the same man who shot at him.

Palmer is struggling with not remembering the details. He is sitting at a laptop with an email started to his mother telling her "It has been a rough week." Gibbs walks up behind him and startles him. Palmer asks Gibbs how he works through the fear. Gibbs said you don't, it's just what you do with it. Gibbs suggests Palmer hold off on sending the email until later, Gibbs figures Palmer will have something to share then. Gibbs leaves as Palmer discards the email and shuts down his laptop.

Palmer heads up to the office and only Ziva is there. He asks her how someone like him should have handled the situation with the shooter. Ziva demonstrates to him. She hands Palmer a stapler and tells him to pretend to be the shooter. When Palmer aims the "stapler", Ziva pins his head down to her desk and disarms him. When they do it again, Ziva pins him yet again. Ziva jokes and says he should not have chased the man. Palmer notices the scrabble letters in Ziva's open desk drawer. He sees the letters "M" and "I" together and realizes he knows the name on the passport. He brings the scrabble letters to Gibbs and with Ziva's help, they determine the man's name was Milo Suskavcevic.

Gibbs walks into Abby's lab. She is sitting drinking a Caf-Pow with a bowl of popcorn. She is watching a scan for a match on a face. Gibbs pulls up a chair and grabs the bowl of popcorn and watches with her. Abby explains that she was able to take the concrete mold of the skeletal remains and come up with a sketch of what he really looked like. While she's chatting away, she gets a hit on her search. The man is identified by an injury claim, 12 years earlier. The skeletal remains belong to the real Baxter.

Gibbs has the team dig up more information on Baxter. It turns out 12 years earlier Baxter had been injured in a construction accident, sued and was awarded \$2.1 million to be paid out over 20 years. Milo had come to the United States, killed Baxter and assumed his identity. He had buried Baxter in one of the support beams of the building as it was being constructed 10 years earlier. With the building undergoing retrofitting, Milo was afraid he'd be found out so he had gone to find the body and pour acid into the beam. This chemical, as we learned, would remove all DNA traces of the victim, allowing Milo to continue his charade. Upon further search, McGee turned up that Milo had come to the US with his brother. He did a search and found the brother was living in yet another trailer park. He pulls the address up on the screen while Gibbs, Ziva and Tony grab their weapons. They begin to head out to find the brother and Palmer tries to follow. Gibbs tells him to stay put, Palmer can see the man when they bring him in.

Gibbs, Ziva, McGee and Tony storm the trailer. They find they'd just missed Milo's brother. A small black car pulls up and idles nearby. In the car sits Palmer, watching the team search the trailer. He is startled when Gibbs pounds on his window, demanding to know what Palmer is doing there. Gibbs orders Palmer to remain in the car and returns to the trailer. A few moments pass when a truck pulls up and stops on the other side. Palmer turns and realizes it's the man who shot at him. The man is watching his trailer and sees Ziva inside searching. The man starts his truck back up and begins to take off. Palmer realizes the man is going to get away so he puts his car and gear and speeds towards the truck. Palmer ends up crashing into the truck to head the man off. As Palmer looks up from the crash, the man looks out his truck window and recognizes Palmer. He reaches for his gun and aims it at Palmer when Gibbs yells for him to put his gun down. Ziva and Tony disarm the man, get him out of the truck and cuff him. Gibbs walks over to Palmer's car and yells at him, demanding to know what he thought he was doing. Palmer simply states that he did not get out of the car. With a slight grin, Gibbs hands Palmer a tissue for his bloody nose and tells him "Now you have something to write home about." Palmer puts the tissue to his nose and grins.

Judgment Day (1)

Season 5
Episode Number: 112
Season Episode: 18

Originally aired: Tuesday May 20, 2008 on CBS
Writer: David North, Steven D. Binder
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: David McCallum (Chief Medical Examiner Ducky Mallard), Pauley Perrette (Forensic Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Senior Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Lauren Holly (Director Jenny Shepard)
Recurring Role: Muse Watson (Mike Franks), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Wyatt Smith (Frankie), Marc Vahanian (William Decker), Terrence Hardy Jr. (George), Jeff Witzke (Attendant), Oleg Taktarov (Viggo Drantsev), Betsy Rue (Sasha Gordon), Reginald James (LAPD Det. Monroe)
Production Code: 112
Summary: When a former NCIS agent is found dead, the entire team is put in danger as they hunt after the killer.



Two young boys are playing with a BB Gun. One young boy has the "hots" for the young mail-woman. As she delivers the mail and closes the mailbox, the young boy fires a shot off and hits the back of the mailbox. The door to the mailbox pops open, startling the mail-woman. The two young boys run away and come across a man with sunglasses on a float in his pool. The shoot the float to deflate it and the man sinks to the bottom because he's already dead.

Ziva and Tony go with Director Shepard to attend the funeral of former NCIS Agent William Decker. Decker's death was

ruled natural causes; he died of a heart attack. As Jenny is signing the guest book, she hears a man ask for Mr. Oshemyda (?). Jenny stops, takes out her compact and views the man from her mirror. As the man leaves, she follows him taking pictures of him from her camera phone. She is only able to get back and side views of him. Jenny returns to Tony and Ziva and dismisses them, giving them the rest of the trip off. She tells them she's just going to do paperwork. Jenny takes the car and as Tony turns to ditch Ziva, she's already walked away so he runs to catch up.

McGee steps off the elevator in the squad room and has a puzzled look on his face. He walks towards his desk and sees Abby sitting at Ziva's desk. He looks and Ducky is sitting at Tony's desk. He sits down and Abby flicks open a knife, acting like Ziva. Ducky pretends he's Tony. As they pick on McGee, Palmer rounds the corner and heads to Gibbs' desk with a cup of coffee in his hands. They finally admit there is a bug sweep going on and they had to leave. Gibbs walks in as Ducky is making a Tony-type crack about him. McGee hands Gibbs a big envelope that Fornell had left for him. Gibbs takes the envelope and leaves. Ducky heads back to autopsy thanking "probie" for sharing the space.

Jenny pulls into a cheesy motel parking lot and gets out of the car. She is met by former NCIS Agent Mike Franks. After much reluctance, she tells him she thinks Decker was murdered

and she believes she's next. She tells him about a special op she and Decker had been on with another agent 10 years prior. They were there to infiltrate a Russian spy ring. She tells him that there was one word the three of them knew if their identities were compromised. She tells him she heard that word at the funeral and tells him about the man asking for Mr. Oshemyda. Oshemyda was the code they used if anything went bad. Franks asks Jenny who the third agent was, who she is protecting. Jenny says "Gibbs." Franks asks where to sign on.

Gibbs walks down to his basement with the envelope from Fornell in hand. He puts the envelope down and opens it to reveal the contents are from The Frog investigation. He goes through the contents of the file.

Tony shows up in his funky Hawaiian shirt and takes photos of the ladies. He sees Ziva lying there in her bikini and takes pictures of her. She is reading book, catching some sun. He teases her about not leaving the hotel when they have time off. She worries that they are supposed to be on security detail and feels guilty so she wants to remain at the hotel. Tony references the movie "Against All Odds" and wants to go cruising. Ziva says he doesn't have a car and he tells her he does. Out front they hop into a nice red mustang with white racing stripes. They head out cruising in L.A.

Jenny and Franks break into Decker's house looking for a clue. Jenny knows he left a clue behind to help her. As she discovers his laptop, they hear a noise coming from a closet. They advance and open the closet door, revealing Decker's 22 year old girlfriend, Sasha, crouching on the floor crying. They assure her they are not there to harm her and that they believe Decker didn't die of natural causes. Jenny realizes Sasha knows this as well. Sasha tells them that Decker told her if anything happened to her, she was to give something to someone. Jenny offers to pass along the message. Sasha takes down a book and removes a bookmark with Jenny's name on it. Not revealing that that's her, Jenny assures Sasha they'll make sure the Director gets it. On the back of the bookmark is the name, address and a key to a diner. Sasha reveals Decker had bought it was going to fix it up the following month. She says Decker left an insurance policy there for Jenny. Jenny encourages Sasha to go and be with family ASAP and gives Sasha the keys to her rental car. Sasha takes the keys and leaves. Jenny says she didn't reveal who she was so Sasha would be safe as the less she knew the better. Franks starts to ask Jenny how it's going to go down and she replies, "Just the way you like it, no paperwork."

Abby has been sent the photos from Jenny. She is working on them but because she has no "front" view of either of the two people Jenny caught photos of (the driver and the man from the funeral), she's at a loss. She turns and begins talking to "Tony" and "Ziva." She has taken janitor buckets with mops, turned the mops upside down and pasted Tony and Ziva's faces on each mop. She says it's to fill the void because they aren't there in person. She explains this to McGee when he walks in and sees her talking to the "mops." McGee brings Abby a Caf-Pow but starts to retreat with it when she won't tell him what she's working on. Abby finally gives in and gets her caffeine fix. When he realizes they can't find out who the two identified people are from the photo, McGee comes up with an idea. He takes the time the photos were taken and pings cell phone calls made from that area as the mystery man was in the process of making a call when Jenny took his photo. Just as they figure out who it is, Jenny calls. Abby tells her the man's name is Viggo Drantsev and they realize that his name is a burn alias. The man didn't exist prior to 3 days before and stopped existing that morning. The Director orders Abby to erase the file and the search. Abby complies as she looks at McGee.

Stuck in traffic, Tony and Ziva bicker. He turns up the radio, she turns it down. She has a funny feeling about leaving the Director and can't shake it. Tony is all about orders and hands Ziva his phone and tells her to call Jenny. She dials the Director's number and puts it on speaker phone. When Jenny answers, Ziva shoves the phone in front of Tony's face, forcing him to talk. Jenny reveals nothing of what's going on and chastises them for bugging her and not enjoying the time off. Before she hangs up, they hear Franks in the background revealing information to the Director. As Tony closes his phone, he says it's probably a roll in the hay. Ziva believes something is going on. Tony teases that she doesn't know about sex so she wouldn't understand. Ziva laughs and says she could tell him stories. He begs her to share and she agrees but only if he calls the L.A.P.D. and asks them to run a trace on the GPS on the Director's rental. Tony agrees.

Gibbs walks into autopsy and stops. Palmer is on the ground performing CPR on a blow-up doll. Gibbs asks him "New girlfriend?" He gives Ducky a look so Ducky excuses Palmer. Gibbs

inquires about La Grenouille's autopsy and they both agree it was clear cut, he died from the gun shot wound. Gibbs leaves as Ducky yells out that some things are better left alone. Gibbs goes up to Abby's lab and hands her a photo from the bullet pulled out of La Grenouille's body. She pulls it up on her screen and after some geek chat, she shows him a flaw in the bullet. There are two lines in it that she tells him are from a flaw in the gun that fired it. Gibbs grabs the photo and leaves.

Jenny and Mike Franks show up at the diner. Of course, it's a bit run down in the middle of nowhere. They go in and look around for evidence or the "insurance policy" but have no luck. Franks asks what he's supposed to be looking for and Jenny mentions numbers, photos, etc. Franks points to the wall and tells her there are plenty of photos around. Jenny looks closely at them and realizes the dates on them are wrong. She remembers back to their operation and they had used a code with numbers on photos for messages. She pulls down the photos and writes down the numbers. Franks gets ready to go and Jenny tells him she's not leaving, it's going to end there. He pulls out a gun and tells her she'll need an unregistered gun as he hands it to her. He sits down to wait with her.

Tony and Ziva get the location of the Director's car. They drive to the Santa Monica pier and find nobody in the car and no sign of the Director. As Tony begins to pull out he stops and backs up as they see police cruisers. They exit the car and go down to the crime scene. There they discover a very dead Sasha. After a debate, Ziva calls Jenny back up. She informs Jenny that Sasha is dead, that she had been thrown off the pier at the beach. Jenny claims she's okay and still reveals nothing. Ziva and Tony head to the car and argue about what to do. They finally call McGee to see what he says. McGee teases them but finally agrees to look up the last location of Jenny's cell phone and gives it to them. They head out without telling Gibbs what is going on.

In his basement, Gibbs sits down with the files on La Grenouille's death. He pours himself a drink as he looks at the photo of the bullet. He remembers the scene where he handed Jenny her gun and then the clip. He remembers Jenny handing him back the clip with bullets later in the squad room. After a quick swallow of his drink, he looks down at the clip and removes a bullet from it. He picks up a magnifying glass and discovers the same two identical marks on the bullet as the one that killed La Grenouille. He picks up the phone to call Jenny.

Tony and Ziva pull into a gas station, bickering, as a black SUV pulls out. The mustang was on empty and Ziva thought they would make it. Tony knew they wouldn't so they stopped for gas. She jokes about holding his nozzle when he tells her to make herself useful. She goes in to get a map, directions, donuts and a blue Gatorade for Tony. Once back on the road, Tony thinks they are lost, stops the car, gets out and screams. He gets back in and they head towards the diner.

At the Diner, Jenny and Franks have a heart-to-heart talk about love life regrets. Jenny admits her regret was Gibbs. She admits she is the one who pushed Gibbs away after the Paris operation because he didn't fit into her five year plan. Franks makes a remark about it not being too late and with tears in her eyes, Jenny subtly reveals she's in love with Gibbs without saying it. Franks finally asks if Gibbs knows she's sick. She tells him it's nothing bad but he reveals he searched her car, purse and cell phone so he knows the truth. She finally admits Gibbs doesn't know.

Jenny walks around and finds some very dusty tea and offers to make some. Franks says he has to go to the 'head' so he'll go out and gets some fresh water. While he's out back, the black SUV pulls up in front of the Diner. Four heavily armed men step out and head towards the diner. One goes in the back, one in the side and two in the front. Shots are fired over and over, no screams or shouts are heard as everything goes quiet.

Tony and Ziva pull up to the diner and see the black SUV and remember it from the gas station. As they head towards the diner, they see bullet holes in the door and broken glass. Ziva asks if he still thinks the Director is off having a quickie. They draw their weapons and quietly enter the diner. They immediately spot several of the dead gunmen with bullet wounds to their heads. As Ziva walks around the diner, she sees the Director's reflection in a pool of blood. She calls Tony over and they both look at the Director's blood covered arm. Tony leans down and checks her pulse and finds nothing. The Director's cell phone rings and Tony picks it up; it's Gibbs calling. Tony answers it.

Gibbs is hauling down the highway in a sedan. Over the phone, he tells Tony to stay put until he arrives. A few minutes later he arrives at the crime scene. Tony and Ziva are hauling boxes out of the diner. They both see Gibbs and sadly stare at him. Gibbs starts to yell at them for not

staying put when Vance walks out of the diner. Vance says it's his crime scene. Gibbs walks inside and Vance tells him the bodies were removed the day before. Gibbs walks around and stops at the tag labeled "Shepard" and stares at the pool of blood around it. Vance walks up alongside him and apologizes. Vance reenacts the scene to Gibbs, telling him Jenny was standing in the middle of the room. He tells him she got all four of them but took numerous bullet shots before she fell. He tells Gibbs that Ducky will be overseeing the autopsies on all five victims. He says he is heading back to oversee "his" investigation and tells Gibbs, Tony and Ziva to remain behind to follow up on the fifth shooter. They discovered another vehicle had been there along with another shooter. Vance leaves and Gibbs orders Tony and Ziva to investigate Vance's investigation.

Gibbs drives down the road and pulls over at a gas station. Someone pulls up on the other side and Gibbs says, "You're late." Mike Franks says he got there as fast as he could. They go inside the diner and chat. Franks fills Gibbs in on how he got involved and what Jenny knew. Gibbs wants to know where Franks was when Jenny was gunned down. Franks tells him he was out back filling up a pitcher when they arrived. Franks shot the man entering the back of the building and polished off two more with gunshot wounds to the head. Jenny had shot them but Franks wanted to make sure they were dead. Franks told Gibbs about the insurance policy Decker had. He then tells Gibbs that Jenny died protecting him. Franks gives Gibbs the numbers he and Jenny got off the photographs. He also mentions the code name, which tipped Jenny off. When Franks pushes him about loose ends, Gibbs says there were none from the Paris operation. Gibbs admits there were three members for three kills. Gibbs and Decker killed their targets and believed that Jenny killed hers.

Judgment Day (2)

Season 5
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Season Episode: 19

Originally aired: Tuesday May 20, 2008 on CBS
Writer: Steven D. Binder, David North, Christopher J. Waild
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: Lauren Holly (Director Jenny Shepard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensic Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Senior Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Chief Medical Examiner Ducky Mallard)
Recurring Role: Muse Watson (Mike Franks), Brian Dietzen (Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Oleg Taktarov (Viggo Drantsev), Rocky Carroll (NCIS Asst. Director Leon Vance), Mike Muscat (File Clerk), Sheila Frazier (ZNN Reporter Debra Green), Kathleen Gati (Natasha Lenkov)
Production Code: 113
Summary: When one of their own is killed, the team must find the killer before they get to another member of the team, Gibbs. In an emotional investigation, the team tries to stay together, against the wishes of Assistant Director Vance.



Tony calls McGee and then sends him photos of the tire marks left by the vehicle that left the crime scene. Tony tells him nothing else. Abby stands in front of him pacing worrying that something is wrong. McGee assures her all is fine when Ducky walks in. Ducky tells her everything is fine as well just when his cell phone rings. Ducky sees it's Gibbs. He answers it and Gibbs tells him Jenny is dead and the bodies are on their way to Ducky. Ducky hangs up and breaks the news to a devastated Abby and a shocked McGee.

In her lab, Abby can't focus. McGee is trying to get her to focus so they can track down the tire marks, the car, etc. Abby wants to know why Tony and Ziva weren't protecting the Director. McGee wonders the same thing when Tony calls. Tony puts pressure on McGee and is short with him. After he hangs up, Tony paces as Ziva looks at him. She tells him it's not McGee's fault. Tony is wracked with guilt over leaving the Director without security.

At his desk, McGee has tracked down the make, model and identity of the vehicle. He has called the rental company and they were emailing him the identification of the man who rented the car. Gibbs calls him just as Mike Franks photo shows up on the screen. Gibbs tells him to erase the file, so McGee does. Gibbs gives McGee the numbers that Jenny found and asks McGee to see if he can find out what they mean. As he hangs up, Vance pokes his head over McGee's shoulder. McGee lies to him and tells him he didn't have a hit yet on the vehicle. Vance tells him to search for another hour and then go home. When Vance walks away, McGee releases a heavy sigh.

While doing a search on the numbers Gibbs gave him, McGee downloads the photos Tony sent him to go through. He's also going through security tapes from LAX Airport to find Viggo's arrival,

etc. McGee looks at the photos and sees the ones of Ziva in her bikini and comments on them aloud. Vance walks up behind him. McGee quickly switches screens, shares a little information with Vance before Vance leaves.

Gibbs arrives and heads to autopsy. Ducky and Palmer have just begun to process the five bodies. Ducky stands alongside the Director's body when Gibbs walks in. Gibbs puts his hand on where the Director's face is. Ducky says some kind words but then informs Gibbs Jenny was dying. Ducky says Jenny's death was quick and painless and probably the better way to go rather than how she would have. Gibbs reaches for the zipper and begins to pull it down. He changes his mind, rezips it and leaves before looking.

Tony and Ziva return to the squad room looking down and beaten. McGee makes a remark about them soaking up the sun. Tony takes the offensive and walks towards McGee, taunting him. He takes off his jacket and tosses it on the floor. Ziva walks up and stands beside Tony. McGee says it wasn't their fault and Ziva thanks him. His phone rings and it's Gibbs asking them to come down to Abby's lab.

Abby has gotten the clothing, cell phones, weapons, etc. from the crime scene. Barely able to hold it together, she starts taking the bloody clothing out of the bag. She sees the Director's shirt and loses it. She walks into Gibbs' embrace as he comforts her. Abby says the Director was a great dresser and she never got to tell her. She starts to compliment Gibbs on his clothing style, which gets her a smile. McGee, Tony and Ziva walk in and she compliments them. Just as they start to have a round table discussion, Vance walks in. He leaves with Gibbs hot on his heels. Vance wants to know what Gibbs knows but Gibbs isn't sharing. Vance remarks that they just lost one team member, they could lose more.

Back in the squad room, McGee gets a hit on Viggo in the LAX Security tapes. After some scrutiny, they discover a blonde haired woman entering the same cab as Viggo. McGee puts the woman's photo up on the screen. When Vance asks if anyone knows her, they all say no. He turns to Gibbs, but finds Gibbs has disappeared. Vance orders McGee to call Gibbs so McGee does. Gibbs cell phone is sitting on his desk ringing. Vance then becomes agitated and orders McGee to find out what the series of numbers mean and Tony and Ziva to work on facial recognition for the blonde woman.

Tony and Ziva head to Abby's lab, where Tony is very short with the already sensitive Abby. She looks confused when Tony storms out but Ziva tells her to just work on the facial recognition. Scene shifts to Ziva walking into a dark autopsy room when Tony turns on a light in the corner and says "Surprised it took you so long". He is drinking Ducky's scotch and pulls a second glass out of a desk drawer for Ziva, handing her the bottle. Z: "You're crying over spilled...milk" T: "It's not milk I spilled" T: "She died alone" Z: "We are all alone" T: "I just mean that she never got married, never had any children, never even heard her talk about it...Paris...that's when it must have happened" Z: "The two of them alone, in another world" T: "Putting their lives in each other's hands, every day" Z: "Not to mention the long nights" T: "It was inevitable" Z: "Nothing is inevitable".

They are able to track down the woman's identity. She is Natasha Lencov and up until 1999, she didn't exist. In 1999 she surfaced on the grid and is successful in the import/export business. Vance goes to Abby's lab and they discover Viggo's phone is missing. Vance knows Natasha will call Gibbs as opposed to Gibbs finding her.

McGee gets a hit on the numbers Gibbs gave him. They belong to an old case file of Decker's. When Vance asks him to pull up the records, McGee informs him that that particular year, 1985 wasn't yet put on computer. They head across the street to the archives to get the files. Once there, the man hands over the file box and Vance finds a phone book in it. Turns out Franks had been there an hour before and removed the information with the "insurance policy" Decker had left. However, back in the squad room, they discover her true identity of Natasha is a woman named Svetlana who has ties to a Russian operative/spy. The man had been killed 9 or 10 years prior.

Gibbs enters Jenny's townhouse. He sits at her desk and rifles through the papers on it. He finds a letter addressed to him but it only says "Dear Jethro." He puts Viggo's bloody cell phone on the desk. As he sits there pouring himself a drink, the phone rings and the caller ID is blocked. He answers it and it's Vance. Vance reads him the riot act and as they are talking Gibbs gets another call and it's Natasha. Gibbs answers the phone in Russian. He cuts to the chase and tells Natasha he has what she wants.

Vance has McGee do a trace on Viggo's cell phone and they realize Gibbs is at Jenny's townhouse. Vance orders McGee to erase the file and tells the rest of the team to stay put as he runs out. Ziva, Tony and McGee wonder what they should be doing.

Gibbs puts his gun on the desk and walks over to the bookcase. Without turning around, he says, "Hello Natasha. or should I say Svetlana." It is revealed the Jenny had been sent to kill Svetlana during the Paris operation and never did. It had taken Svetlana years to find out who had killed her beloved and it pointed her to Gibbs. Gibbs admits he had indeed killed the man she'd been involved with. He asks her if Jenny couldn't pull the trigger to kill her, would she be able to kill him. Just as she cocks the hammer on her revolver back, a shot rings out and she falls to the floor. Mike Franks is standing in the doorway with a weapon in hand. When he comes into the room, he nudges towards Gibbs' gun and asks if he'd planned on going for it. Franks says Gibbs will have a lot of explaining to do when Svetlana's body is found. Gibbs says they won't find it.

Gibbs and Franks are walking down a street when fire trucks zoom by. Gibbs watches them head around a corner towards the fire. Just then, a car door opens and Vance steps out. He approaches and confronts Gibbs and Franks. He asks Franks where the file is and Franks says he'll give it to him, in his will. He laughs and walks off. As Franks stands down the road lighting a cigarette, Gibbs watches the television screen through a shop window. Back in the office, Ziva, McGee and Tony watch the same newflash. They are showing the fire at the home of Director Jenny Shepard.

Back in the squad room, the team steps off the elevator all dressed up in black. They just came from Jenny's funeral. They look to the television screen as the reporter claims Jenny died in her home due to an explosion from a gas leak. The reporter announces that Vance was named the new Director of NCIS. Gibbs looks up and sees Vance heading towards his office.

Vance pulls out a file on himself and removes a sheet of paper and shreds it. He puts the file back and locks the cabinet. He then takes the Director's photo of her father off the desk and puts it away. He asks Cynthia to call up McGee, DiNozzo, David and Gibbs. All four walk into his office and only Gibbs will look him in the eye. Vance has tossed three files on his desk. Vance informs Ziva that the agreement with the Mossad office for the liaison has been terminated - she is to return home immediately. He tells McGee that he is being transferred to the Cyber Crimes unit. Then informs DiNozzo that he is being transferred to the USS Ronald Reagan and leaves the next morning. He hands the three file folders to Gibbs and says "Meet your new team."

Season Six

Last Man Standing

Season 6
Episode Number: 114
Season Episode: 1

Originally aired: Tuesday September 23, 2008
Writer: Shane Brennan
Director: Tony Wharmby
Show Stars: Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensic Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Chief Medical Examiner Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer), Liza Lapira (Special Agent Michelle Lee), Jonathan LaPaglia (Special Agent Brent Langer)
Guest Stars: Jonathan Mangum (Special Agent Daniel T. Keating), Austin Bass (Dallas), Merik Tadros (Michael Rivkin), Natalie Denise Sperl (Milaana Shishani), Owen Thomas (Brian Duane Roberts), Bradford Anderson (Second Geek), Jerry Shea (Third Geek), Jill Czarnowski (Girl Geek), Andrew Hwang (Nervous Asian Man), Michael Nouri (Eli David), Jenny O'Hara (Alice Brodie), Eric Jungmann (Andy Pringle)
Production Code: 114
Summary: When a petty officer is found murdered, Gibbs learns about the mysterious connection between the disbanding of his team and the case.



Gibbs new teams settles in. Keating, Langer and Lee. Gibbs is clearly not happy with his new team and missing his old one. The team gets the call to go out as a very bad smelling, rotting corpse has been found in a trailer. Gibbs tells the "B" team (as Ducky calls them later) "get your gear." They all look at him and he has to tell them they are going out in the field. They slowly get their stuff together

as Gibbs gives his famous stare up at Vance who is watching from the top of the stairs. Just as Gibbs reaches the elevator, the doors shut. Lee hits the button to reopen the door and all three apologize, with Langer making excuses for Lee saying she kept hitting the wrong button. Gibbs gets in the elevator and faces the door, rolling his eyes as the doors close.

Ziva is seen in a small cantina in Morocco in a revealing dress singing "Temptations" switching easily from English to French mid song. She starts noticing that several people have gotten up and left so she quickly scans the room. She then spots and abandoned briefcase under a table and before she can do anything it explodes.

At the crime scene, Lee is taking photos and Palmer gets in the way. They exchange a longing glance until Keating calls Lee over to the victim's truck. They find a briefcase with approximately \$5,000 in cash and other items which leads them to believe that the victim was running. Inside the trailer, Ducky is looking at the victim's body and tells Gibbs that the man died of a single gunshot wound to the head. The victim had been sleeping and the killer used a pillow to silence the gunshot. Everyone wonders why nobody smelled the body as the victim had been dead for approximately four months.

Back in the squadroom, Gibbs is watching CNN raw newfeed about the death of sailor Brian Roberts. As he is watching someone gasps and he watches closely and sees a familiar face on a stretcher. He freeze frames the picture. Agent Lee says "Isn't that Ziva?"

Agent Afloat

Season 6
Episode Number: 115
Season Episode: 2

Originally aired: Tuesday September 30, 2008
Writer: Dan E. Fesman, David North
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensic Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Chief Medical Examiner Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance)
Guest Stars: Marc Jablon (Navy Lieutenant Jonah Kaplan), Anthony Brandon Wong (Navy Captain Doctor Russell Nguyen), William Marquez (Doctor Javier Delgado), Rene L. Moreno (Hector Cruz), Kate Lacey (Navy Ensign Christina Solomon), Roberto Sanchez (Jose), Austin Priester (Navy Lieutenant Bryce Armstrong), Julie Dickens (Console Operator), Ward Roberts (Pilot), James Martinez (Navy Lieutenant Eduardo Almeida), Eric Nenninger (Navy Corpsman Taylor Henley), Chris Mulkey (Navy Captain Richard Owens), Ariel Mirabal-Ramos (Ensign)
Production Code: 115
Summary: While investigating a mysterious suicide of a Navy Lieutenant aboard an aircraft carrier, DiNozzo learns that the suicide may actually be a part of a much deadlier scheme.



Cold opening shot is of the USS Seahawk steaming across the briny sea on a clear blue sky day, big white wash marking its path. It is an aircraft carrier, so its deck is a runway. Interior shot is of our intrepid Agent Afloat, DiNozzo, racing through the ship, up stairs, yelling "coming through" and "make a hole" as he runs. On the tannoy (sound speakers) we hear the order 'Agent Afloat to the fantail. Agent Afloat

to the fantail' repeatedly. Tony arrives at the fantail (the part of the runway/deck that is cantilevered over the water), where he finds the folded uniform and ID badge of an officer. Tony asks did anyone see him jump? No.

In the squadroom, we have a very bored Tim and Ziva who are staring forlornly at the empty desk of DiNozzo. Gibbs turns up and says that he has heard from Tony. Tee and Zee are deployed to see the wife of the missing sailor. They go to her house: she fails to answer the door. So they look through the window and espy a dead woman on the floor.

Ducky arrives at the crime scene and notes that there is 'snot' in the victim's hair. The body is very beaten, much blood and the room awry. Tim diagnoses a violent altercation. Ziva and Gibbs are sceptical: Gibbs asks whether there is broken glass under the body? Tim says no, and Ziva points out that the scene is staged to look like a fight. Tim is reminded that his investigative skills atrophied during his sojourn in the sub-basement cyber crimes unit. Tim is somewhat dejected. However, he redeems himself when Ducky starts to observe that the bruising is not as it should be on someone who was beaten to death and Tim cuts in that it means that the blows were delivered post-mortem (after death) and he looks at Gibbs and asks "Right?". Gibbs smiles and does that little bounce on the balls of his feet that indicates that he is particularly pleased.

Back in the bullpen, Abby has a prognostication moment, predicting that Tony is coming back which is why she is unpacking his office stuff onto his desk, including his MIGHTY MOUSE STAPLER (which deserves recurring role status in the credits). Gibbs takes the hint and visits Vance. Vance offers Gibbs a choice of two other officers to replace DiNozzo who is deployed at sea for another 3 months and it was time that he did a stint afloat after 7 years. Gibbs is unimpressed but leaves with the two files in hand. Vance is being a boss (he is not a Jenny and, happily, he does not flirt with Gibbs to get his will. But he does play games).

Back on board the USS Seahawk, we find Tony going through Lt Evans (the wet sailor) stuff and pondering why he failed to unpack (not even his toothbrush. This turns out to be a CLUE). His bunkmates never met him because they are on different watches. Having met one bunkmate, Tony goes looking for the other, Caplan. He finds Caplan in a poker game and Tony gives them three seconds to clear the money off the table (gambling for money must be against Navy rules, but playing cards is not). Caplan says that the missing man was supposed to be on duty one night but left, ill, after one hour. Said the man was a nutjob with a thousand yard stare (he looks through you). While talking, a sailor brings a message to DiNozzo from Washington, DC (telling him that the wife has been found dead, and she died before Lt Evans left Washington DC). Tony rushes off to the sick bay to visit the medics.

In the sickbay we learn that the doctor has been investigated by DiNozzo for overprescribing painkillers and so there is no love lost between them. Tony just takes the file of Lt Evans.

In the bullpen, Tim has been trying to pull up files to the plasma screen for Gibbs but is struggling because Keating changed his macro functions on his computer. Gibbs resorts to just looking over Tim's shoulder to see the files that show that Lt Evans was spending lots of money and was going on exotic holidays (This is a CLUE). Tim keeps trying to work out what Keating has done to his computer (and gets overexcited when he finally pulls up the files to the plasma...but Gibbs has already gone.)

On the way to MTAC, Abby overhears that Gibbs is going to talk to Tony and gets very excited. She starts telling Gibbs news that he needs to tell Tony ("Can you tell him that Sister Rosita pulled a 260 last month, and I finally saw.." "It's not a social call, Abby"). Gibbs leaves Abby behind but Ziva dogs his steps too. He stops, turns, glares and she realises that she also is not allowed to get to see Tony on the MTAC system.

In MTAC, DiNozzo tells Gibbs what his report says (the one he emailed to Gibbs, which Gibbs of course failed to read it because he doesn't bother with his e-mails (smart man)). We know that Lt Evans was spending money down in Colombia after he supposedly joined the ship, so the question is who is in Mexico spending the sailor's money?

Gibbs visits Vance's office to make the case for Tony going to Colombia, given that he was in port doing threat assessments for two weeks before the USS Seahawk sailed again. Vance is sceptical and sees it as a ruse to get Tony off the ship, but he concedes that Tony can go to land for one day to investigate.

Colombia, in a bar, we see that Tony is on good terms with the bar owner, but we soon realise that Tony is not fooled by the barman: he puts on pressure to get the answers as to who used Lt Evan's credit card. A bad man in the corner is fingered. Tony looks. Bad man runs. Tony, informed by the intrepid bar owner, takes a shortcut and, very Gibbsly, manages to arrest the man without having to do any running himself. The man confesses that he stole the card when he found it on the ground nearby.

Nearby, on empty waste land, Tony and the bad man approach. Tony handcuffs the bad man to a convenient fence and goes looking in the dirt. He finds a shoelace, lifts it, bringing up a shoe, attached to a foot, attached to a leg. The leg is dead, as is its owner whose face is uncovered almost 2m north of the boot. It is our missing Lt Evans. This begs the question "Who sailed on the USS Seahawk?" and, worse, "what dastardly thing is the imposter doing on a US naval ship?" This is the tenor of the phone conversation between Tony and Gibbs.

In MTAC, Gibbs and Vance talk to the Seahawk's captain, alerting him that someone came on board impersonating Lt Evans and faked his suicide...the guy is still on the ship. Lt Evans job was to do checks on ship security. They tell the captain to let Tony continue his investigation when he's back aboard...they don't want to alert people on board. They suggest he starts verifying the ship personnel. Vance turns to Gibbs and tells him to pack a bag...he's going to the Seahawk to help Tony.

In the squadroom McGee is still dealing with the emnants of Keating...his old computer talks

to him saying "Good Morning, Agent Keating!" Gibbs' phone is ringing, so McGee answers...it's Tony from Cartagena. Tony starts complaining to McGee about his new job...McGee tries to interrupt to tell him Gibbs & Ziva are on their way to Cartagena, but Tony continues to ramble and complain. Vance enters the bullpen, suspects Tony is on the phone and puts the speakerphone on, while Tony rants about Vance putting him on the ship. DOH! Vance reminds Tony they need the autopsy report from the Cartagena M.E., but Tony says the M.E. doesn't like Americans or, maybe, just him. They finally tell him Gibbs and Ziva flew out last night. Tony asks when are they arriving and Gibbs answers...Tony turns around and there they are! (BIG Tony smile).

Down in Abby's lab, McGee is having trouble accessing the Lt's laptop. Meanwhile, Abby's test says that the stuff in the wife's hair really is snot which has a rare spore in the mucous and provides a moment for fun puns on "It's snot!" "It's not what?" "It's snot.". McGee finally gets into the laptop, saying he got new skills in the cyber lab, emphasising that he spent a long time down there. Abby looks forlornly at the photo of Tony on the wall and the number 132...the number of days he's been gone. (It was 126 in the previous episode, by the way.)

In Cartagena, Gibbs, Tony and Ziva head into the ME's office, with Tony trying to get them to admit they missed him. While Gibbs is on the phone, Ziva says Tony looks older. She asks if he still feels guilty about Jenny - yes but not as much as before. Still drinking? - yes but not as much as before. Gibbs says the COB is on his way from the ship. Tony suggests Ziva handle the ME and, proving Tony's instincts correct, the ME proves to be smitten with Ziva who flirts with him in Spanish. Gibbs and Tony observe the body and note that both the Lt and the wife were killed the same way. Abby and McGee call Gibbs about a coded emails they found on the Lt's laptop...he had an ongoing correspondence with someone in Singapore. Someone posing as Lt Evans sent another email a few hours ago: it contained references to the USS Seahawk and the medicine that combats anthrax. (Uh oh!)

Back on the Seahawk, Gibbs, Ziva and Tony arrive and speak to the Captain...they're still trying to verify the ship's personnel. They're concerned about the air and water supply. The imposter is probably taking the anthrax med to protect himself. Gibbs sends Tony to talk to the comms room worker about Evans. Ziva goes with him, but as she is about to leave Tony's working space, she sees three pictures of her in her bikini from LA (including one that is solely of her hip and thigh in a bikini) and one of Abby: these are posted on Tony's office wall next to the door (prominent position). She asks why he has them posted and he says he doesn't know. The Seahawk captain has posted extra personnel in the vulnerable areas, but tells Gibbs he'll only give him 12 hours before he takes over the investigation on his ship. Lt Kaplan is not in the comms room: the person there says he worked at a highly restricted computer that required a key card and passcode and to which none of the others had authority to access.

Ziva and Tony on their way to the comm room, Ziva says McGee was supposed to destroy the bikini photos. Tony defends McGee, saying he had it particularly hard, how much he missed everyone, etc. (Seems like Tony is actually talking about himself)

Gibbs is questioning the officer of the deck and she's sure she verified Lt Evans i.d. with his face. She explains how long she has worked as officer of the deck and how many thousand people she has seen onto the ship: she is certain that there's no way she let a civilian on board, because she knows how a sailor walks, talks and even how they carry their bag.

In MTAC, McGee slips in to talk to Vance, who is seated in the raked theatre seats. McGee sits behind him, talking very quietly into Vance's ear, and tells him he can get into a copy of the restricted Seahawk database. Vance points out the illegality of this and the risk involved but McGee says the risk is minimal because all he has been doing lately is cracking codes and firewalls and, simply put, he won't get caught. Vance very carefully does NOT say ok. He says nothing. (and that means that he did not issue an order not to do it, so McGee, who now has better instincts than when he was a probie, rightly interprets it as permission so long as he does not get caught).

On the Seahawk in Tony's office, Gibbs says the ship's crew has been verified. Gibbs suspects Lt Kaplan as either being in on the murders or being the killer, himself: he could have checked in as himself, then again as Evans. Evans' restricted clearance would give Kaplan access to vulnerable areas and he tells Tony to find Kaplan. Tony, without being smug, turns on the TV to show a shipwide broadcast asking anyone who has info on Kaplan (shows photo) to call him. Gibbs asks if Tony has a Plan B. Tony stutters (ha ha ha, busted!) Someone calls. Tony takes the call and happily reports that Plan B is not necessary because Plan A has worked: Lt Kaplan is in

the infirmary, he was found collapsed by his bunkmates. The Doctor comes out of the intensive care cubicle, and tells Gibbs and Tony that they had to induce a coma due to brain swelling but they don't know what's wrong. Could it be anthrax? The Doctor is coughing. (hmmm!) Kaplan is going to be evacuated off the ship via a med-evac plane. Ziva is reading Kaplan's medical chart and tells the others that Kaplan's not the murderer because he left DC 2 days before Evans' wife was killed.

On the Seahawk, Tony and Ziva are going through Lt Kaplan's bunk. They find morphine. Did he OverDose (O.D.)? Tony starts pining for DC: Ziva tells him to stop whining. He says she's back in DC like she wanted but, surprisingly, she says she's just following orders. Tony is perplexed at her apparent lack of enthusiasm at being back in NCIS. He thinks something happened in Israel, but she won't talk about it: he is wondering what/who (and we probably think it is unresolved things to do with her dear old deadly dad, but are we right?). Gibbs enters, says the doctor says it's not anthrax. Tony shows the vial of morphine, perhaps someone is trying to clean up loose ends, killing Kaplan. Abby calls Gibbs: the spore in the snot is a strain of the flu, particular to the American Samoan region of the South Pacific. Gibbs wants to access the ship's medical records. Tony says McGee isn't there. Gibbs points to him and says, "You!" (Tony looks uncertain and unconfident).

Back in DC in the cyber basement, McGee is working, when Abby comes in ranting that Vance reassigned him again and that it is not logical. McGee has a eureka moment at the word "logical". He and Abby breakthrough by using a "logic bomb" to access the restricted records.

Back on the Seahawk, poor Tony is trying to access the medical records and to his and our relief, he finally gets in. No one reported the flu. They search on those from American Samoa: of the 6 sailors who have been there, 3 boarded in Cartagena and 1 from DC. They head to sickbay. Abby and McGee call and found a breach in the system: someone ordered a ton of cipro (antibiotic), but only half made it to the ship and they figure the rest is on the way to Singapore for the black market. The security break on board ship and the deaths of the Evans couple is not about terrorism, it is to make money. (which is somehow more comforting, even though it remains dastardly).

In sickbay, they discover Henley (medical tech) called in sick and Kaplan is being medivaced off the ship. The doctor is sick with the flu, now. Gibbs sees fluids leaking from under a door and finds Kaplan inside: he's still alive. Gibbs rushes out to the medevac launch area: Tony and Ziva follow. Henley is in the medevac flight, but the pilot holds back from taking off, on receiving orders via Tony's phone call. Dastardly Henley is holding a gun to the pilot's head, so the medivac plane keeps taxiing while the back door shuts, but not before Gibbs jumps inside! (GO GIBBS) Henley is holding a gun on the pilot telling him to launch now. Gibbs jumps out and tells Henley to drop his weapon. Gibbs tells Henley he knows he and Evans were in on the drug deal together, until the wife found out about it. Henley killed her after Evans deployed, then he tried to talk to Evans about it, but he wouldn't go for it. Henley won't drop the gun and says the plane HAS to take off. Gibbs threatens him asking if he really wants to fly? Gibbs tells the pilot to ask for clearance to take off on his order. In the ship at the communications, Tony overrides the other officers' reluctance to let an armed man get away: the plane is cleared for launch. Those of us who have seen early episodes where Kate learned about short-runaway takeoff and landings are able to understand what is afoot, as Gibbs grabs onto some rigging inside the plane: it whips into launch, but Henley isn't prepared and goes flying backwards through the body of the plane from the force of the launch. (LOL!) Gibbs cuffs him where he lands.

Walking through the ship, Tony and Ziva head to sickbay, where Henley is being treated for scrapes and bruises. Gibbs tells Tony to grab his gear because he's riding with the prisoner back home. Tony's eyes widen, he is perfectly still, then he is so excited, he bolts through the ship (just as he did in the opening scenes) but this time it is to pack. (Ahhh, lovely Gibbs smile...he's amused. He got the reaction he hoped for.)

Back in DC, in the director's office Gibbs asks Vance whether Tony is permanently reassigned. Vance seems minded to make Tony go back to the ship. Vance says the reassignment was never a punishment. Down in the squadroom, Gibbs enters and Tony asks if he talked to Vance, but Abby interrupts, excited that Tony is there. She asks Tony if he's back permanently and Tony confirms it, saying that Dir. Vance just told him. Gibbs looks at him, then turns his head and looks up at the mezzanine balcony. Uh oh...Gibbs seems a bit miffed that Vance was letting him think Tony had to go back to the Seahawk for the rest of his temp assignment. Gibbs looks

hard at Vance who merely wryly smiles, nods and walks away. (Has Gibbs met his match in the inscrutable stakes?).

Capitol Offense

Season 6

Episode Number: 116

Season Episode: 3

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Writer: George Schenck, Frank Cardea
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Scuito), David McCallum (Chief Medical Examiner Ducky Mallard), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs)
Recurring Role: Sheila Frazier (ZNN Reporter Debra Green)
Guest Stars: Jeff Barnett (David), Sara Sanderson (Tiffany), Bill Sage (Reed Talbot), William Bumiller (Admiral Charles Graves), Marcus Chait (Cole Erickson), Susan Floyd (Lynn Tripp Kiley), Tim DeKay (Senator Patrick Kiley)
Production Code: 116
Summary: When Senator Patrick Kiley seeks Gibbs' help to solve the murder of a young Naval officer, the NCIS team find themselves pushed inside the world of Washington politics.



In Park: A couple race each other on bikes over hills and jumps. They stop and the man challenges the woman to a race back to the car. During the race, the man's bike hits a fallen tree, which sends him off his bike and into a nearby river or small creek. As the woman looks out at the man in the water, she notices a dead body in a military uniform floating near the man. The man then turns around and

also notices the body of the dead female.

In the Squadroom: Ziva presents Abby with a cupcake, and thanks her for letting her sleep at her house the previous night. Tony gets a little jumpy and asks for further details on their night together. He asks McGee who tells him to stay out of it. Gibbs then comes in and says that a female naval Lieutenant Commander was found dead in the park. The team then grab their gear and head out to the park.

At the Park: Ducky realizes that the victim was shot in the back and bled out on a solid surface, he says that he will know more when he gets her back to autopsy when it begins to show signs of a storm coming soon. As Ducky races to beat the storm, Gibbs gets a phone call and races away from the scene, leaving Tony and Ziva to wonder what he's up to.

Along The River: Senator Kiley talks to Gibbs about his connection to the dead Lt. Cmdr. and admits that he was having an affair with her. He says he's coming forward because he realizes that the evidence would point to him and he believed that someone was trying to frame him. He asks Gibbs to leave his name out of the case so that a bill he is working on can be passed, but Gibbs says he'll see what he can do.

In The Victim's House: Tony and Ziva find evidence that she was having an affair with a married man, and become suspicious when they notice that he does not sign his name or have pictures anywhere in the house. They notice a birthday card in which the man signed "you know who" instead of his name. Gibbs then walks in and they brief him on what they found.

Gibbs' connection to the Senator means that he behaves oddly in the eyes of the A-Team. A visit to the Senator's house let's us meet his chief of staff who is as loyal as a St Bernard to the Senator. The Senator's wife comes to see Jethro at his house: she knows the doorbell never works, that the door is unlocked and that he will be in the basement and she knows to ask for hard liquor. The conversation reveals that she and the Senator (who was once the rookie Lieutenant that Gunny looked after, and whose Dad was known to Gibbs) were "there for Gibbs" when Shannon died (We all find this very hard to believe: they are not Gibbs' type of people, but it gives a reason for her to visit the basement and speak 'off the record').

She swears to Gibbs that her husband is not the sort of man who could shoot someone in the back. Gibbs sends her home to her hubby whom she has been avoiding. She knew about the affair all along.

All evidence is pointing to the Senator, including faked voicemails to the Director's voicemail box, which McGee is asked to analyse: he discovers it is an automated voice. (You type in the words on the computer and it reads them out).

The gun had been found by McGee and DiNozzo, in the wastewater ditch near the scene of the crime (McGee fell in and on top of the gun. He found it with his posterior.) The voicemails allude to the gun and ask why the Senator has not been arrested: it looks like a frameup.

Meanwhile, back in the mysterious world of Sciuto, our Princess of the Dark Side has been using her forensic skills to gather evidence as to who stole her cupcake. She collects crumbs off Gibbs coat (he is astonished), she creates a crime-scene (complete with tape) in her lab (the cake was in her fridge). She creates a photo wall of suspects (which Gibbs is astonished to see includes not only Gibbs but also the night janitor...which Abby says is on the grounds that he has put on weight lately (but there hasn't been a night yet for the guy to come to work, find the cake and steal it.). This sub-plot continues throughout the episode. Abby collects mouth swabs from all the Giblets, including Ziva who gave her the cake in the first place. She also dusts for fingerprints. She cunningly works out whodunit...revealed later.

Back to the main story: as you suspected, there is a twist: the Senator's chief of staff is found dead, with a plastic bag over his head, diazepam in his system, a suicide note and the appropriate stuff to have made the fake calls.

The Senator happens by the crime-scene and talks to Gibbs. Director Vance tells Gibbs that the Senator is going to make a press statement in 2 hours. Vance gets the feeling that Gibbs is unconvinced by the murder then suicide picture that they have been given. Gibbs says 2 hours is a lot of time to solve a case and pursues it.

Finally we see Gibbs attend the press conference at the Senator's house with Vance, but instead of supporting, he tells the Senator that he wants to arrest him. The Senator confesses but Gibbs isn't buying it. He challenges the wife and points out that she knew the lover was shot in the back, which is a detail not revealed publicly. She could only know if she did it. She confesses that it was a moment of madness. Gibbs points out that staging the suicide of the Chief of Staff was coldblooded murder. Gibbs is not minded to spare the couple the walk of shame to the police cars. The arrest is captured on TV.

Meanwhile, Abby has solved her case and confronts...McGEE! Who vehemently denies wrongdoing by pointing out that he would never leave a fingerprint at the crime scene because he knows that Abby would be able to check it. And she agrees: there was no fingerprint in the fridge but there was only one fingerprint on the new box of latex gloves other than Abby's own print. McGee used the new box of gloves to cover his hands in order to steal the cake. He gets head-slapped by Tony and Ziva but Abby asks "How was it?" and he makes her drool. She is then mad but Gibbs walks in and says 'get over it'.

Final scene: Director Vance and Gibbs watch that walk of shame on the evening news, in the Director's office. Gibbs is looking mighty depressed (he dislikes breach of trust and acts of disloyalty). Director notes this and when Gibbs says that loyalty is crucial, Vance asks how does Gibbs see their own trust and loyalty? Gibbs just stares.

Heartland

Season 6
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Season Episode: 4

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Writer: Jesse Stern
Director: Tony Wharmby
Show Stars: Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Scuito), David McCallum (Chief Medical Examiner Ducky Mallard), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs)
Guest Stars: Ralph Waite (Jackson Gibbs)
Production Code: 117
Summary: Secrets from Gibbs' past are revealed when the NCIS team has to travel back to his hometown to resolve a murder investigation.



Two marines are attacked outside a nightclub, out of the blue, unprovoked. Their senior marine finds them: one alive, one dead.

Team at the crime scene: Ducky arrives in blacktie as if going to the opera, and he is very happy, singing to himself. It is daytime. There is banter about "A night at the opera", an allusion to the Marx Bros film with Tony. Then Ducky

goes into ME mode (Without Mr Palmer. Again.). There was one fatal lucky blow to the sternum but the other person, who suffered more blows, is alive. So difficult to fathom luck. Gibbs and Ducky work out, back in autopsy, that the intended victim was Ethan (the survivor) and the dead guy just had bad luck. Abby receives the evidence in the lab, including personal effects. There is a ring from Stillwater High. Tony is ecstatic. He knows that that is Gibbs' hometown because he hacked into the records for Gibbs (and cannot believe that the others never did). Gibbs does indeed plan to take the team to Stillwater: but having realised how intensely curious Tony is, he leaves him behind. Tony is dejected, unbelieving and hang-dog. He has to chase down leads with Abby. In Stillwater, the Sherriff turns up and we just know that Gibbs had a hard time when he was a kid in this town.

They drive on to the aunt's house. Gibbs and McGee go up to the house but leave Ziva on the pavement to check in with Tony by phone. G&McG meet the aunt who is sanguine about her nephew: he died. McGee apologises that they didn't mean to give that impression: he is in hospital.

Aunt is ecstatic: she thought he had died in the forces 4 years ago. He's alive? She cannot wait to go and see him. The whole town thought he was dead! Off she goes.

Meanwhile on the pavement, Ziva is approached by a whitehaired old man (played by Ralph Waite) who tells her that she is unlikely to get reception in this part of town on her mobile phone. He butters her up (he coats her with lard and bastes her in oil, frankly). She succumbs to his charm. She is curious. He knows about NCIS. He introduces himself as Jackson.

Out come Gibbs and McGee from the house, up the driveway to the street. Gibbs walking in his usual deliberate, cautious style: looking hard at the visitor.

Word travels fast.

That it does, when people open their mouths and speak with each other. You don't call. You don't write. Were you going to come by and say "Hi"?

Hi Jack.

Hi Leroy.

Ziva. McGee: Jackson Gibbs. My father. (you should see Ziva's eyes zoom from Jackson to Gibbs: eyes wide. Pfunf on Gibbs' stoic face)

McGee in the family store: "Pretty nice setup you've got here Mr Gibbs". "You have to stay up to date otherwise you conceded to time, inch by inch."

Ziva admires his Nepal mountaineering trips. "I always make it a point to return home after each of my trips. Unlike some people I know.

Jackson To McGee: "Does he ever talk about me, my boy?"

"I think I once heard him refer to you as dead"

"you must have been mistaken McGee"

"Er...yes, I think he probably said "Dad""

McGee asks "Hey what is the story on that picture there? Looks interesting.

" Grand opening of the store. LJ and I opened it after too many close calls in the store.

LJ?

Leroy Jethro.

Gibbs enters the store (the bells rings).

Can I get you something to eat Leroy?

Can't. Case.

I can help you with that.

The banter continues with tales of LJ working in the garage on a car he spent all his money on: He'd spend all of his time out in the garage working on some project. We didn't even have electricity out there McGee, sotto voce to Ziva: "I can picture it"

Gibbs and Dad decide to go interview the owner of the local mine, whose daughter dated Ethan. They drive off in a car, waved off by Giblets. As soon as car has gone, they turn and race into the general store: Ziva to phone Tony, McGee to E-mail Abby. We see A and T in the lab. T gets stillwater phone call. A gets McG on the screen: so Z and McG announce that they have news:

"Gibbs has a father!"

Reply in unison: "Tell me everything"

Tony and Abby head to Stillwater.

They take DNA from all the people who are connected to the coalmine owner and it turns out that the injured marine was actually the son of the owner, so that is the reason he kept his daughter and the injured marine. Ethan, from dating (well folks, it is a small town...).

Alas, the son-in-law (daughter's husband) always doubted he was the father of the child, so he turns out to have signed off to coalminers on a day that they were not at work (gave them an alibi by signing their time sheets): he paid them to kill our injured marine. BUT in a sad twist, the DNA shows he should have believed his wife when she said the kid was his. He attacked Ethan for no good reason and committed conspiracy to murder.

Gibbs and Giblets are heading back to town. Tony is in a cardigan that zips up (and thanks Jackson for the cardy).

Tony wants to ask some questions and Gibbs says he can have two. Tony says "Where do I start?" and Gibbs says you have one left. Tony tries to argue that the first questions does not count. He gives up and asks his question.

"The rules, did her learn them from you, I mean did you teach him all the rules?"

Jackson says "I'm sorry son, I didn't teach him much of anything".

Gibbs takes car keys from Tony and says "he taught me how to drive" and Tony complains about having to sit on the hump in the middle of the back seat, because, you know, he's got that "thing" he told Gibbs about...) But Jackson intervenes and hands car keys to Gibbs. It is the keys to the car that Gibbs started working on when he was a teen. And now it works, and it is Gibbs' to drive. Not much use it sitting in the garage. And Gibbs takes the keys (in the leather case just like my dad used to use for his keyring).

Then Jackson says he knows Gibbs only likes few words, so tells Gibbs to phone sometimes. Gibbs says "It's the least I can do".

And Jackson says "Goodbye son" and looks anguished at saying goodbye.

And Gibbs gives him a half-nelson type hug (elbow in the air over Dad's shoulder, forearm pulling dad's head towards Gibbs' shoulder) so Gibbs can lean in and whisper in Dad's ear "Bye Dad".

And next we see Gibbs in yellow sporty car with the big black decal on the hood, and he pulls up near the railway station, looks at the empty platform seat, and pictures a young himself and a young lady with long red hair. And they speak, awkwardly, and his young self says that they can sit together on the train. And she says it's against her rules to sit with lumberjacks. But he is a very young marine in uniform, so she makes an exception. Asks his name: Leroy Jethro Gibbs. She says I will call you Gibbs. And she says her name is...

Shannon.

(Pfunf on a Gibbs still staring into the middle distance at the empty seat on that platform, red white and blue bunting fluttering in the smalltown breeze of times past).

Nine Lives

Season 6

Episode Number: 118

Season Episode: 5

Originally aired:	Tuesday October 21, 2008
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Director:	Dennis Smith
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Recurring Role:	Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer), Joe Spano (Sr. FBI Agent T.C. Fornell)
Guest Stars:	Jon Huertas (Jack Hale), Ray Abruzzo (Rick Azarri), Mercedes Renard (Elizabeth Adler), Mark Allan Stewart (Stefano Delmar), Matthew Mahaney (FBI Agent Bruce Rivers), Gina St. John (ZNN Reporter Cindy Ames), Lauren Rose Lewis (FBI Assistant)
Production Code:	118
Summary:	While on the hunt after a marine's brutal murderer, the NCIS team and Gibbs find themselves working against FBI Agent Fornell yet again.



Scene opens with a woman jogging then returning home to find her car tire flattened. She opens her car hatch to find the jack missing as well. After knocking on the neighbor's door and no answer, she lets herself into his garage and grabs onto a couple of different tools and immediately putting each down and wiping some 'slime' off onto her jogging suit. Groping around she finds and turns on a drop light. First she is sickened to find blood all over the tools she had just touched, but then lets out a horrified series of screams when she discovered her neigh-

bor hanging by his hands, sliced multiple times and obviously dead.

The team do their forensics on the crime scene. They detect extra fingerprints on the bloody toolbox. They realise that the man was tortured for information.

Fingerprints lead to the marine's sergeant: he is Kale. Gone off the radar for last three weeks.

Team traces him to a house. Storm it and find...Fornell there, protecting Kale as a key witness in a case that goes to trial very soon. Gibbs interviews Kale but he was being guarded at the time of the murder.

Gibbs knows Kale is telling lies but how can that be?

Fornell wont give details of the case on which Kale is the witness. McGee hacks the FBI database and finds out it is a mafia case and the bad guy has escaped justice everytime that Fornell has tried to get him in the past. There is long history with Fornell and he is not going to give up his witness for a mere marine murder. Gibbs does not like this. Abby finds mould on the rope used in the torture. The mould is having sex (honest: it is breeding!). Gibbs is a bit put off by Abby's interest in the joys of mouldy sex.

McGee is much more interested.

Ziva is planning a trip to Israel. Tony is consumed with curiosity.

Kale escapes. Gibbs and Fornell track him down using GPS in mobile phone.

Kale runs.

They catch him.

Kale says "I didnt do it"

Gibbs and Fornell detect a rat: they go back to the place where Kale ran from: there is another tortured dead marine who was buddy to Kale. Gibbs is suspicious. Ducky says "dont be: the body has been dead longer than the time since Kale escaped. Kale could not have done it". Gibbs is still suspicious but concedes that someone else killed this marine.

The bad mafia guy is approached by Gibbs. He establishes how bad the bad guy is. Horribly well dressed bad.

Gibbs orders Giblets to reexamine the original murder for which the bad guy mafioso is on trial: and Giblets with Abby discover that Kale could not have witnessed the event, as the street lamp was blown and there was no light by which to see. Therefore in interrogation, Gibbs and Fornell find out that kale merely said he had seen it, but really it was the two dead marines who had seen it. The dead marines were buying drugs when the mafia guy killed the dealer. Kale was protecting his men. Fornell points out that this was not a successful strategy as they are both dead and the guy who killed them will now walk free! Good point, Fornell.

Gibbs tells Fornell to not give up. Fornell is clearly depressed by the turn of events.

Kale escapes again. G and F race to the court because they know that K is now going to assassinate Mafioso. He does. F does not stop it. G arrests K. Kale says he had to do it. Gibbs says he knows why he did it: but Gibbs is sad as he knows the marine will go to jail. (but we also know he could put in a plea that the drugs made him do it...he has a medical condition and his drugs affect his brain).

Ziva goes off on holidays. Tony is intrigued and kinda sombre about it. She is flying first class. It is the first that Tony begins to realise that either Ziva or the boyfriend (whose photo Tony has found hidden in Ziva's desk mess) is very wealthy.

End scene: Fornell in a waiting area in a federal building. Gibbs enters. It is evening. Fornell is waiting to see his Director. Gibbs has come to show support. Gibbs notes that Fornell would do the same. Fornell observes "She said you would be here" "Who?" "Our ex-wife". Gibbs just looks.

A pretty woman comes to summon Fornell to see the Director.

The TV in the waiting room continues playing the news of yesterday's outrageous murder in broad daylight. It notes that, overnight, there were murders of others in the mafia, as new boss tries to emerge. The main contender is the henchman of the dead guy: we already know him! He was mean to Gibbs when Gibbs confronted the mafioso in the street. The final punf is on this guy and so we expect to see more of his dastardly ways in future eps.

Murder 2.0

Season 6

Episode Number: 119

Season Episode: 6

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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Charles Noland (Bob Simms), Brian Groh (Billy Cole), Tim Rettley (Marine Sergeant Jack Burrell), Kristen Bush (Marine Sergeant Alice Hardy), Max Gail (Sam Loomis), Patrick J. Adams (Tommy Doyle), Naama Kates (Rose Woodhouse), Mike Kersey (Janitor Harry Cooper)
Production Code: 119
Summary: The NCIS team is forced to investigate a crime during Halloween where a psychotic murderer leaves clues of its next victim's identity on the net.



A female marine arrives home and hears sound. We see flashes of someone watching her. Suspecting someone is there she kicks in the bedroom door. Only to find her husband trying to surprise her. She heads into the bathroom to shower while hubby prepares the bedroom for a love-fest. Alice (female marine) screams... there's blood red water pouring from the shower head.

Tony intercepts McGee coming out of the elevator, telling him to run. McGee finds this strange warning suspicious. Ziva yells for McGee to get into the bull

pen. She is sitting at McGee's desk pointing to his computer screen asking why he didn't erase the bikini photos of her after she told him twice. She gives him a chance to explain and promises she'll only remove ONE of his eyes. He tries to explain his way out of it, but blaming it on the computer...doesn't work. Gibbs arrives and tells them to gear up. When Tony asks what they've got, even Gibbs can't describe it!

At the crime scene, they're taking photos and samples from the bloody bathtub. Tony is imitating Norman Bates from "Psycho"... "my mother isn't quite herself today." Ziva says she's going to get back at McGee, wondering what he's been doing with the photos of her. Tony says she's being uptight about the photo thing. Gibbs arrives and they explain it's human blood, though watered down...they called in Ducky. Tony continues his Norman Bates imitation. Both Gibbs and Ziva feel he is the one being psycho.

Outside, there are people searching with flashlights for evidence. McGee explains where the water source is on the marine base, local aquifers distribute to local nodes that pump to the houses. Ducky arrives and they open one of the nodes. The water inside is all bloody and a body pops to the surface. Palmer is less than calm. The tank is drained and the body removed. Ducky

estimates the man hasn't been in the tank for more than 24 hours. The slashes on the body are post mortem. There is blunt force trauma to the head, but he doubts that was the cause of death. He also didn't drown, no froth near the nose and mouth. They open his mouth and find a metal capsule with a paper note inside listing a website.

The website redirects to a cyber video link, where people post their own videos. To demonstrate how this works Abby and McGee show him a sample Gibbs interrupts with a glare. They are now looking at a night vision video of the dead guy walking up to his truck and getting in, the videographer/killer is in the back seat The video shows the guy being beaten and is interspersed with short odd clips of pictures/videos. Everyone is stunned.

Gibbs asks for an id on the victim, but there is nothing yet. The video link was created at a cyber cafe in Richmond. McGee heads out to check it out. Tony and Ziva will talk to security at Quantico to see who didn't show up for work. Abby tells Gibbs that the website name "Primitus-Victor" is Latin for "first victim," he says he knows.

In autopsy, Palmer is excitedly cutting open the victim's head. Gibbs arrives and he tells him the victim is missing his brain. Ducky chastises Palmer about his perky attitude. Ducky explains to Gibbs that it was probably removed with a crochet hook like tool through the nose, as the Egyptians. Most of his brain was removed when he was still alive, fortunately he was unconscious. After the brain was removed, he was frozen, so hard to determine the time of death. Gibbs thinks the murderer is playing some kind of game.

In the bull pen, they find out the victim was a civilian Billy Cole that worked at a local car wash. Tony and Ziva arrive and interrupt McGee's report to Gibbs. Tony makes Gibbs pick his "favorite" to continue reporting. Gibbs looks back and forth between Tony and McGee, then calls on Ziva. Quantico security says no one got past them, unless they used the river, but how would someone drag a body through the river? Gibbs answers...he was frozen. Tony says he was going to guess using one of the James Bond submersible sleds from "Thunderball." They review the "clues" in the video (the short interspersed photos/videos)... a clock face showing 11:45, a baseball player hitting a ball and a wooden bear statue. Gibbs and Tony take off for the victim's house. As he goes Tony reminds Ziva about the screen saver Tim has of her in the bikini.

At Cole's house, Gibbs and Tony hear a scream inside. It's a band practicing. The screaming lead singer is a pretty young blond. The drummer (Tommy Doyle) and singer (Rose) knew the victim, he was a roommate. They say he'd been missing about a week. He owed a few months rent, so they figured he was just skipping out on the debt. The female singer is flirting with Gibbs, says he has an interesting name. Tony gets a little competitive about this. Tony and Gibbs go into the garage where Cole's bedroom was. The girl was the last one to see him. Tony spies a photo of the band with the statue of the wooden bear in it. They head to where the statue is.

At the bear statue, they find another dead body. It's tied around the body and leaning against the statue, there's a bloody baseball bat nearby and the victim's watch is broken at the time of death. The details match the clues in the video clip. Looking inside the mouth they find another metal cylinder with another note inside and another website "Secundus Victor", meaning second victim. On the back of this note it says "Hello, Agent Gibbs"!!!

In the lab, they're watching the online video of the killing of the second victim. There are more clue clips inserted in the video. Vance wants to know how the killer knew Gibbs was assigned to the case. They notice on ZNN is already reporting the second murder and video. Vance mentions that Sec Nav is breathing down his neck on this one. He tells Gibbs he'll handle Sec Nav while Gibbs handles the investigation. Warns Gibbs to watch his back.

In the bull pen, the team analyze the video, the clues to the next victim, time, location and method of murder. Tony critiques the videographer to Wes Craven, etc. They try to decipher the clues...a nuclear blast, a ship's anchor and a nun/Madonna crying bloody tears. They guess on the method of murder. Ziva says, radiation poisoning...Tony says drowning...McGee says killer nun. Next they guess on the location...bombing range...Anchor-age, Alaska ...convent. Tony asks if that's where they keep the killer nuns!

Gibbs arrives and asks if they found anything other than agitated nuns. They've IDd the victim, Bob Sims, as now homeless a former Navy chief. There is no connection to the first victim, but he also had his brain extracted through his nose. They were unable to trace the 2nd video. However, the female singer, Rose, comes into the bullpen saying she thinks she can help. She thinks she knows who made the videos.

In a conference room, Rose gives Gibbs and Ziva a music video they hired someone to make

to help promote the band, it was Cole's idea. Ziva can tell Rose is smitten with Gibbs. The video has the same kinds of intercut photos and video clips as the killer's videos. Sam Loomis is the producer, Loominosity Pictures. Gibbs sends Ziva with Tony to check it out. Rose asks if Gibbs if NCIS is hiring. If not she'd still like to hang out, it feels safe. Gibbs says he can assign her an agent to her, she asks if it could be him. Gibbs says no, but gives her his card., says to call him if she's got a problem...but ONLY if she's got a problem.

At Loomis' house, Tony says Rose is nice, but not his type, Ziva jokes that she was breathing. Tony zings back that he has standards, otherwise he'd be dating her. Loomis opens the door with a video camera rolling. He lets them in and continues to tape. They show him a photo of Cole. Loomis says it was his first...music video, that is. He knows Cole is dead and they suspect him because his videos are similar to the murder's.

In the bullpen Tony is on conference call with Gibbs and McGee. Loomis used a "build your own music video" website which randomly pulls in pictures from the person's photo file and inserts them into the video. Then Gibbs gets a cell call from number "666." He has McGee try to trace the call. The voice on the phone has been altered. The caller says they won't be able to trace the call and seems to know all about Gibbs. The caller says he has something very special planned for Gibbs. Unfortunately the call is bouncing all over the world...untraceable.

Abby calls from her lab up to the bullpen...there's a new video on the website...it just popped up. Abby suddenly recognizes things in the video. The poster just outside her lab. McGee realizes it's not a video, it's a live stream...the person is down by Abby's lab.

Abby talks to Gibbs on his cell as he and McGee race downstairs. She can see the person's shadow on the wall. McGee is locking down the building on his cell as Gibbs tells Abby they're almost there. She has hidden under a table, but set up a trap as well. Gibbs and McGee bust out of the stairwell to find...Harry the janitor. A remote video machine was hidden in his lunch box on his supply cart. McGee heads to the lab calling to Abby that everything is safe...he falls SPLAT on his face. Abby put crazy glue on the floor and McGee's shoes stuck to it. She says he's lucky it wasn't her second choice, hydrochloric acid.

In the lab, McGee, Tony and Ziva check out the "Janny-cam." Abby says she's never been so scared in her life....well except for the time her ex tried to kill her...and when her assistant had her at knifepoint...and when McGee's crazy fan had a gun to her head! Gibbs returns telling Harry is innocent, he had an alibi for both murders. They wonder how and when the camera got into the lunch box and how the killer knew that Gibbs would be assigned to the case? Vance enters and says the murderer has been targeting Gibbs from the beginning, someone Gibbs really pissed off. Tony says it's not a short list and gets the Gibbs glare. They decide it can't be Loomis, he was with Tony and Ziva when Gibbs got the call. Vance leaves, saying someone needs to get McGee a new pair of shoes. Abby asks why the latest video was different and if she can stay with Gibbs.

In autopsy, Ducky is replaying the call from 666...says the person has a narcissistic personality disorder. The killer sees himself as the hero and Gibbs as the villain. He wants to be famous and the more he kills, the more famous he'll be. Ducky suddenly recalls where he's seen one of the new clues...a doomsday clock that shows 5 minutes to midnight. They have less than 3 hours to find the location of the next murder.

In the bull pen, Ziva takes the crying nun clue, sending alerts to all churches in the area. Tony takes the anchor clue, contacts shipyards, harbor and navy yard. McGee says Tony and Ziva took the "easy ones", so he doesn't know what to do. Gibbs has him look into the phone call. Gibbs is agitated, saying the killer is playing with them and they're doing exactly what he wants them to do.

In Vance's office, Gibbs tells the director to evacuate the Navy yard. If no one is there, no one can be killed. He thinks the Janny-cam was a recon video for the killer. Vance agrees to initiate an early security lock down, but Gibbs gets a call from McGee first. He has determined the killer wasn't actually on the line with Gibbs, it was a recording with prerecorded generalized responses. Meanwhile, Abby got a print off the Janny-cam, Loomis!

They have Loomis in interrogation, his alibi didn't check out. Gibbs starts to interrogate him and he's sweating, agitated....he starts to freak out, then collapses....his eyes are bleeding like the nun in the video clue and the time is 5 to midnight.

In autopsy, Ducky says he was poisoned through an arthritis patch on his skin. It caused a spike in his blood pressure causing a heart attack and his eyes to bleed from an increase in

vascular pressure. The trans-dermal patch can administer the meds very precisely. Gibbs is upset because Loomis was murdered in his custody. Ducky says the killer is pushing Gibbs towards something...but what? Tony calls Gibbs with more bad news a 4th video is up. The new video is Gibbs interrogating Loomis in the interrogation room. Video clues are intercut again. Gibbs wants to know how he got the video footage from interrogation. Abby says it was her fault.

In the lab, Abby says she wanted to find out how the killer was broadcasting a live feed from the Janny-cam, so she uploaded the firmware and got herpes. McGee translates, she got a computer virus. She's disabled it now, but it was broadcasting from NCIS for the past 24 hours. Abby freaks saying Gibbs could be the next victim... he could be poisoned there could be a bomb in his cell phone! She rips his cell apart handing Gibbs back the bits. McGee suggests they turn on both the Janny-cam and the Trojan virus to triangulate the source. They find the video is being broadcast by a DSL account registered to Rose, the singer.

In the bullpen, Tony reports that the local cops says Rose just left and they found blood in Doyle's room. Rose's registered "cybervid killer" trademark recently. Tony ponders how much Manson would have made if he trademarked "Helter Skelter." Also, Rose's father was an Egyptologist, explaining the "nosepick from hell." They review the new video clues again....snowglobes of Sears Tower in Chicago, Moscow and Rio de Janeiro. Gibbs says the clues aren't the cities, it's the snow. This sparks something with McGee and he says Gibbs is a God among men (Abby had called McGee that earlier) McGee races to MTAC, saying his CPU is too small...Tony says he'll let that one slide.

In MTAC, McGee says this was the only video with flash frames. That there's video imbedded in the snow shown between the clips. It's a video of Doyle tied up and struggling. They head to Loomis' studio, but first try to get Gibbs to stay at NCIS and then in the car. Gibbs tells Tony to shut up or he'll shoot him. They bust down the garage door and find Rose standing in front of Doyle with a shotgun pointed at him. He's tied to a chair, but manages to get the gag off and tells them all to shoot Rose, that she's crazy. The entire team has their sigs pointed at Rose, telling her to drop the shot gun, but she keeps pleading with them to just leave. While Doyle keeps screaming for them to shoot her. Gibbs notices the video camera recording the scene and suddenly shifts his gun to point at Doyle, everyone else is confused. Doyle is still screaming to shoot Rose, but Gibbs says the only one he's going to shoot is him. Doyle starts laughing, then holds up a deadman's switch, he has C4 wired to Rose and threatens to kill them all if they shoot him. Gibbs walks up to him, with the gun still pointed at his head, saying Doyle doesn't want to die, he wants to be famous. He gives up the dead man switch and they remove the explosives from Rose. Ziva asks how Gibbs knew Doyle was the killer. He points to the video camera which always recorded the victim's death, it was pointed at Rose...he was the murder weapon. Doyle says he doesn't care, he'll still be famous. Gibbs was just a set piece...no one ever remembers who caught the serial killers, they just remember the killers.

At NCIS, the team is in a big conference room an awards ceremony is going on. McGee is watching a ZNN broadcast saying the CyberVid killer was caught, but because he may have ties to terrorism, so they won't reveal his name. He WON'T be famous. Vance announces another award for Gibbs, who, of course isn't there, so Tony saunters up to accept for him.

Collateral Damage

Season 6
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Recurring Role: Liza Lapira (Special Agent Michelle Lee)
Guest Stars: Peggy Stewart (Elderly Lady), Lenny Schmidt (Eddie Banasek), Michael Swan (Ray Vittorio), Louis Iacoviello (Curtis Rayner / James Meyers), Chelsey Crisp (Grace Pendland), Helena Barrett (Attractive Recruit), Melonie Mack (Jenny Page), Tanner Blaze (Tommy Page), Peter Gannon (Bartender), Billy Finnigan (Joey Vittorio), Anthony Montgomery (Marine Corporal George Linden), Eric Martsof (Paul Harris), Rey Valentin (Dwayne Wilson), Jonathan LaPaglia (Special Agent Brent Langer)
Production Code: 120
Summary: Gibbs is put in a tough spot when he has to handle an assistant rookie assigned to his team by Vance to investigate a bank robbery case.



When a child runs into a bank guard and smears icecream on his shirt, the guard goes to the bathroom to clean up. On returning to the banking chamber, he finds everyone face-down on the floor and masked men doing a hold-up. He is shot at near point blank range and the villains escape.

In the bullpen, Tony is hitting on a rookie agent, to Ziva and McGee's disgust. The rookies are gathered and are on a placement, soon to go back to FLETC for more training. The team ponders why their own team has not been assigned a rookie. Gibbs arrives and says they have

a crime scene at Quantico (which is a marine base surrounding the FBI compound).

At the crime scene, they get conflicting information from witnesses (but the accurate witness is a marine). The team ponders who would rob a bank in FBI territory. The getaway car is found near a gate, burning. Video of crime scene is digitally destroyed. The villains were professional.

The team investigate the bank robbery, and regard the death of the bank guard as collateral damage. Director Vance requires Gibbs to accept a rookie on his team: Dwayne Wilson. He is required to assess Dwayne's suitability for NCIS. Gibbs tries to transfer the assessment task to Ducky as psych specialist, but Ducky is surprised that Gibbs doesn't just trust his gut instinct.

The rookie is keen, honest and has joined because his dad was cleared of a crime by a persistent NIS officer. Rookie wants to make a difference. Tony, who was grilling rookie on motives whilst they searched FBI records, is impressed. Claims that Tony's own motive for joining NCIS was for the guns and babes.

The team beavers away at discovering clues but are puzzled by the modus operandi and that they only stole 27k. If they waited three days, they would have hit the bank on a big money day (marines were getting holidays and would want cash). Therefore the holdup was a smokescreen for the real crime. The real crime was the killing of the guard. But it could not look like murder, even though it was clearly a hit. Ziva ponders why they didn't just go up to his front door and shoot him when he opened it, which is the easy way to do it. McGee looks at her as if she is an assassin. (oh yeah, she is). Gibbs is just mildly amused at how serious Ziva is and how unaware she is of how she sounds to others.

Vance is on Gibbs' case about assessing the rookies. He also calls in Agent Lee for legal advice about what it takes to offload Director Shepard's Rookies in favour of his own. Lee is bemused. And uncomfortable. Gibbs stares at her.

Tony has trouble opening a drawer: it is jammed with Agent Langer's old ID card from his FBI days, which prompts flashbacks in Gibbs and makes him ponder whether he was right to think that he was previously wrong about Langer (contorted but this is Gibbs' mind and that is the way it works).

Abby spots a clue. She notices the tatt on someone on the floor in the bank. She realises it is the same tatt as she has seen elsewhere. She realises that the tattooed man is a baddie. She realises that he is a hit man. They find his cronies. They find that cronies did time in prison with the bank guard's son. They realise the son will go to funeral. They realise that the son was in a diamond heist. They realise that the son is the next target of the villains who want their diamonds back.

Meanwhile, Tony has interrogated the man who set up the security system at the bank, which conveniently failed just when it needed to for the benefit of the villains. Security system man is in debt. Tony grills him in his own offbeat style (which involves itchy ears...yeah, it is weird but amusing and effective). But the guy has a financial plan to survive the credit crunch: he is going to marry a rich but ugly heiress (honest to goodness, they made her look ugly, right down to the big glasses and the frizzball hairdo). Hmmm. Tony realises that the man must be serious about getting money from the woman because no one would marry her voluntarily (which is really really shallow, Tony!).

So back to the villains.... they will know where the son is when the funeral is on, because it is Italian family and they always go to funerals. And they have crowds. When is the funeral, Ziva? Now Gibbs! Ok, let's go. So they go. And rookie Dwayne tags along.

Tony makes Dwayne stay with the car, as he has no gun. Dwayne is disappointed. Team goes trawling amongst the black-clad guest of the funeral where all the men look like mafiosi, we guess. They spot someone being dragged into a big black SUV (are all SUV drivers villains? Ecological ones perhaps, but these are gun-toting ones). The SUV is pulling away. But a car pulls up blocking the exit. The frustrated man in black says move! But the man (our rookie hero, Dwayne) goes over to help his grandma into the car. (the poor woman in lavender who was quietly laying flowers at a tombstone nearby is puzzled indeed). Dwayne distracts the villains with his ruse which enables a firefight. Rookie bravely shields old lady from the firefight that he has instigated. So the rest of the villains emerge from SUV and lay on the ground, and the old lady looks up and says "you are not my grandson", to which Dwayne has no reply.

Back at HQ, the team are giving Dwayne a fond farewell at the candy machine, where Tony has stolen a candy bar for him. (oh, the moral turpitude!). So Dwayne leaves as someone they like and respect. (well done, son). Gibbs goes to Vance's office and proffers Dwayne's file: nothing written in there. Gibbs tells Vance to write "recommended". Gibbs now trusts his gut (but only after Ducky gave him a talking to... and pointing out that after Langer, Gibbs feels vulnerable but he should trust his gut). Gibbs passes Dwayne on the stairs and says "good luck" which is a high honour and Dwayne realises it. Gibbs spots Lee and he STARES. (A really really hard Gibbs stare. Hard enough that it taps Lee on the shoulder and makes her look around, then follows her into the lift and makes her flashback and we see her kill Langer. Pow. Thud. Bad girl).

Gibbs on his own enters a bar, orders bourbon. When barman observes that Gibbs is "alone tonight", Gibbs says "no" and goes over to the wall of honor for the fallen NCIS agents (and we see Cassidy!) and puts up Langer's FBI ID picture. Gibbs now trusts his gut.

Cloak

Season 6

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Season Episode: 8

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Recurring Role: Liza Lapira (Special Agent Michelle Lee), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Rich McDonald (Naval Secretary Robert Deckard), Jude Ciccolella (Secretary of the Navy Phillip Davenport), Julian Berlin (Didi)
Production Code: 121
Summary: A shocking secret surfaces when the team is pushed into a war game, and one team member will face serious consequences.



A cargo delivery truck (similar to UPS) drives up to a military facility. A female driver gets out and the two guards make her unload the box she's delivering. They check it with a scanner to see if there's anything radioactive or bomb-associated inside, then open it to find the body of a man, encased in dry ice. NCIS is called in.

Tony is at his desk, staring at his phone, waiting for a call. When it comes in, it turns out to be McGee playing around with him; Tony glares at McGee. Gibbs arrives. "Gear up!" and off they go to the Dry Ice Man.

Tony is taking pictures and being Typical Tony, is annoying one of the army guys at the same time. He also discretely takes a photo of the security access password for the building. Ducky and Palmer arrive on the scene (late as usual) and when they open Dry Ice Man's box Ducky and Gibbs reminisce about a past case before leaving. McGee arrives in a black van but instead of parking next to the NCIS truck and Ducky's ME van at the entrance to the facility...he pulls up unnoticed and parks around the corner. As McGee moves from the driver's seat to the back of the van, we see it's filled with surveillance equipment. Gibbs shows up a few seconds later and McGee uses the pictures Tony took of the password to hack into the facility's computers.

Later that night, outside the facility, Ziva and Tony emerge from the shadows and using the stolen password break into the building. Directed where to go by McGee who now has a map and video footage of the building - it's classic Mission Impossible, NCIS-style, complete with looping security tape showing all is well. Unfortunately, the looping tape eventually sets off an alarm. Ziva and DiNozzo make a run for it but guards appear from everywhere; they're trapped.

Scene change: Three Days Earlier.

Gibbs is pacing around as Palmer and Ducky talk shop, typical ME-speak. Palmer excuses himself "Ducky wanted privacy". He's then called up to Director Vance's office where he is told that the Secretary of the Navy wants to beef up security so they don't have anymore breaches, "like Agent Langer".

Scene change: Abby's lab.

Abby is busy working away when someone walks into her door. From the other side we hear McGee exclaim "Abby!" Abby quickly shuts down almost all of her computers while claiming that she's in the shower. She opens the door for McGee who is there to collect two boxes of evidence. McGee is curious as to what she's working on but Abby denies working on anything, however, she is quickly shutting down yet another computer when someone else walks into her door. We hear Tony call out: "Abby!" as he, too, walks into the locked door. He and McGee then proceed to the evidence garage with Abby closing the door behind them.

In the evidence garage are three chairs, a table and a whiteboard; McGee claims to have college flashbacks. Gibbs walks in and hands each of them identical files before writing "domino" on the board, then underlining it.

McGee starts to explain that it's a Navy thing but stumbles over his description, and Ziva finishes our lesson on "domino" (which is the US plan in response to an attack on Israel). Gibbs tells McGee to study up on it, then tells the team that SecNav wants them to break into the highly guarded building we saw in the first chapter. He claims it's for a security test and adds that even the guards who are guarding the building don't know their security is about to be tested.

Scene change: The Bullpen.

Ziva, McGee and Tony are crowded around Tony's desk, eating a pizza, and discussing what would be the best way to break into the building. As they're discussing options Agent Lee comes up and tries to take a slice of pizza. Tony will only let her have a slice if she can come up with a way for them to "hypothetically" break into a top security facility. Agent Lee mentions "Ziva's brother", and Ziva is quick to correct her with "half-brother". The team remembers Ari's body bag strategy, and with it being a good idea Agent Lee is allowed a slice of pizza. As she reaches into the box, Tony tells her "small piece".

Back at the evidence garage, the team is telling Gibbs of their plan, with their emergency exit being a sewer line. They ask Gibbs if they should ask Ducky for a body, but Gibbs tells them to just take it. (Gibbs Rule #18: It's better to seek forgiveness than ask permission.) McGee suggests using a fire alarm because the doors would automatically open but Gibbs says it has to be discrete. He also tells them that nobody gets hurt in this "test".

Scene (& Time) Change: Present Time.

The alarm has gone off and Tony and Ziva are running. McGee's security feed fills with "snow", then the computers freeze and shut down. Tony and Ziva are ambushed by soldiers but instead of giving in quietly per Gibbs' orders Ziva fights back. Seeing this Tony backs up his team mate and the two go down fighting. As one of the guards hits Tony with the butt of his rifle, Ziva kicks a female soldier into a door, but there's too many guards and as they overwhelm her, the female soldier she kicked comes back and punches her in the face.

Ziva wakes up with a bloody nose. She's being interrogated (threatened?) by a stranger holding a cigar cutter (remind anyone of Darkman's opening scene between Durant and Black?). When Ziva demands to see Tony, the man tells her that she and Agent DiNozzo will soon be reunited again, and sure enough, Tony appears with quite the beat up face. Typical Tony is trying to make light of the situation, talking about playing poker and drinking, but Ziva cuts him off and asks who the man was. DiNozzo hands her a coin that says "75th Secretary of the Navy" on it. Oops.

Our brave heroes are soon freed and we next see Gibbs, Director Vance and the now identified Secretary of the Navy speaking in Vance's office. They talk and talk and talk some more, and finally conclude that while Tony and Ziva didn't set off an alarm, they still got caught, meaning there's still a security breach in NCIS.

Finally (once more for laughs) it's Palmer's turn to walk into Abby's door. "ABBY!!!" Palmer is trying to hide from Ducky who is after him because he lost the dead body which turned up at the crime scene (dry ice man). Ducky is not happy from being kept out of the loop and neither is DiNozzo. While Ducky sulks in front of Gibbs, DiNozzo goes one level up and starts badmouthing whoever formulated the whole plot of manipulating them, thinking that it was Director Vance. Gibbs surprises both of them by saying it was his idea from the beginning. Gibbs once again goes to Vance and this time they openly discuss about Agent Lee being the bad guy or gal, and how they can catch her along with her handler. Back at the bullpen, Agent Lee is once more trying to overhear information as the team discuss her involvement in the killing of Langer.

Director Vance then runs a security check on every operative in every department, including Abby, who was still hiding behind her locked door. Using a device to allegedly detect high levels of

a substance that would have rubbed off on anyone associated with the Domino case, surprisingly it is Abby who comes under suspicion.

Abby is taken to the interrogation room, accompanied by McGee, who is extremely worried and concerned about her. McGee cannot understand how Abby could have been the traitor, considering it would mean losing her lab and losing Gibbs' trust - and she loves both more than that. Director Vance comes in before they have finalized as to who will interrogate her. Abby stops the play acting and reveals to McGee that she is not the traitor, far from it. In fact she has been working on the case from the very beginning (another example of Abby being truly Gibbs favourite?) McGee does not care...he's just overjoyed that Abby is not the traitor and jumps in to kiss her on the cheek.

Their plan works and the real traitor, Agent Lee, is suitably deceived. Director Vance tricks Lee into believing that she is above suspicion and despite the security lockdown, allows Lee to leave the building in search of a legal operative. Once she is outside, Lee goes to a designated paper stack (newspaper box in America) and makes a secret signal, all the while being watched by Vance through binoculars, who gives the green signal to Gibbs and the team; Agent Lee is picked up and brought back in to NCIS.

Lee claims that she is being blackmailed and forced to carry out her traitorous actions. She says her daughter has been kidnapped by them and shows Gibbs a picture of her daughter. Vance comes in and advises Gibbs that there is no mention of a daughter in her file, but there is mention of a sister.

The team is discussing how much trouble Lee is in, who despite being a traitor is now walking towards the elevator. All is revealed when Lee gets into her car and we see Gibbs hiding in the backseat.

Dagger

Season 6
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Season Episode: 9

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Director: Dennis Smith
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Recurring Role: Liza Lapira (Special Agent Michelle Lee)
Guest Stars: Katherine Herzer (Small girl), Tiffany Espensen (Amanda), David Eigenberg (Ted Bankston), Troy R. Brenna (Kidnapper)
Production Code: 122
Summary: After a surprising reveal, the NCIS team is forced to prevent the heist of government secrets by using information from questionable sources.



A man chases a girl through the woods in the dark. He captures her and carries her away.

Tony and McGee are at a coffee shop for a stakeout. Tony says he has to use the bathroom from drinking too much coffee. McGee says he learned to only pretend to drink coffee to avoid that situation. From his car outside, Gibbs sees Lee enter the coffee shop. She sits down and

folds a newspaper in threes, then slips a device inside and leaves. A man in disguise then walks up and takes the newspaper. The agents chase the men, but Lee is waiting outside and she spills her coffee on them to try to stop them. The agents lose the man and Gibbs steps up and takes Lee away.

Back at the headquarters, Tony yells at Lee for letting the man get away. She says that she couldn't risk losing her daughter by letting the man get caught. Vance calls Gibbs into his office and asks if he is watching Lee and Gibbs says yes. Meanwhile, Tony, Lee and McGee look over satellite images to try to find out where Lee's daughter is. They see an image of a man in the woods carrying a girl who Lee recognizes as Amanda.

Ziva tells Tony that Lee was telling the truth about her daughter, but Tony thinks it's just part of her plan. Tony and Ziva head out to find the girl. Lee wants to go with, but Gibbs won't let her. McGee examines the images of the man with Amanda and notices that he is not the same man from the coffee shop. Gibbs tells Vance that they are looking for three different people. Vance wants Gibbs to have the coffee shop man picked up at the next meeting. Gibbs thinks it's a bad idea that could jeopardize the whole mission.

Lee asks McGee if he can find the man who has her daughter and McGee says no. Lee then asks McGee about his sister who he helped save from a criminal charge. She points out that what he did for his sister is similar to what she is doing for her daughter. Lee tells McGee not to judge her without thinking about who she was scared for.

Tony and Ziva head out to the woods. Ziva tells Tony that she understands how someone would want to keep their personal and professional lives separate, but Tony thinks Lee is just a liar. Ziva then finds the kidnapper's trail and she and Tony walk into the woods.

Lee thanks Abby for finding the satellite images of her daughter and asks how she did it. Abby is mad at Lee, but tells her that she was able to find her daughter by tracking the nutrients in her hair which are almost as unique as fingerprints. Abby explains that they can pinpoint the location of her daughter by the drinking water she consumed. Lee leaves the room. Abby takes Gibbs aside and tells him that she doesn't know for sure that the girl's hair belongs to Lee's daughter.

Tony calls McGee and asks if they are close to anything. McGee tells him that there is a building nearby. Tony and Ziva arrive at the building and Ziva notices that someone has been going there regularly. The agents enter the building and find it empty. Ziva notices that the room is smaller than it should be. Ziva finds a hidden door. She and Tony enter and find furniture and belongings for a little girl. They think the girl must have been moved. They then look down and see a dead man on the floor.

Tony and Ziva send images of the dead kidnapper back to the headquarters and say that he was executed with a gunshot to the head. Gibbs tells Tony that they are not coming to the crime scene because the men could come back. Gibbs instructs Tony and Ziva to exit the building. Ziva then finds markings on the bed and figure that Amanda was counting the days that she had been held there.

Donald tells Gibbs the kidnapper is patient. Gibbs points out that he's had the girl for eight months. Donald says that the kidnapper is generally slow and methodical, but he acted fast when he killed the man and took the girl. Donald thinks that the kidnapper will no longer see the girl as a victim, but rather a witness that needs to be disposed of.

Tony takes over the watch on Lee. She asks if they found her daughter and he says no, but they know she was moved which means she is probably alive. Tony tells Lee that he's had enough of her lies. Lee tells him that she had no choice because they had her daughter. Tony tells Lee that at the next pick up, they are going to apprehend the man she exchanges information with. Lee objects, but Tony holds firm.

Tony and McGee watch Lee at the coffee shop. McGee says that after spending some time with Lee, he understands her. Tony sees that Lee is putting on lipstick and thinks it could be a signal. Lee then turns her cup so her lipstick mark faces out. The man then walks into the coffee shop.

Back at the headquarters, Abby tells Vance that she matched 6 points on the dead man's fingerprints, but he has no history. Vance figures his identity has been deleted. Abby then gets test results for the girl's hair. Abby says she found one strand that didn't belong to a little girl, but a grown woman. Abby then gets the DNA results from the little girl's hair and says that the news is bad.

Vance calls Gibbs and says that the DNA of the little girl's hair shows that it is not Lee's daughter. Gibbs sees and stops the man at the coffee shop and Lee walks up. The man tells them that they are screwing everything up and that she'll be killed. Lee asks if he's talking about her daughter and he says he's talking about his wife.

Gibbs sits with Lee and says that the girl is not her daughter. Lee admits that she is actually her sister, but she has taken care of her like a daughter. Gibbs asks if she said it was her daughter because she thought that he would care more. Gibbs tells her that she should have come to him as soon as she knew she was in trouble and shouldn't have killed those two men.

Vance meets with the coffee shop man, Ted Blankston, and asks if he stole information from the government. Ted admits that he was NSA and was fired for stealing information. Vance asks if he has the girl and he says no. Ted says that they have his wife. Vance asks how he knows they have his wife and he says that they send him her hair as proof. He says that they've had his wife for a little over a year and he is only exchanging information to get his wife back. Ted says that the man he talks to refers to himself as the Weatherman. Vance asks why he wants access to Domino. Ted says money. He says that he can buy and sell stocks based on knowing what is going to happen in the government tomorrow.

McGee tells Gibbs that Ted's story checks out. Abby then tells Gibbs that the woman's hair she found with Amanda's belongs to Ted's wife. Abby then says that there is a protein component in the hair which is missing which means Ted's wife is already dead.

Gibbs meets with Vance to figure out their next move. Gibbs says that he will need the real Domino in order to exchange it for the girl. Vance says that he will not risk the military's playbook and that Gibbs is only authorized to use a decoy.

Ted is upset because he hasn't been contacted about his wife. He then gets contacted and Gibbs tells him to tell the man that Lee has Domino. The man agrees to exchange the girl for Domino in one hour.

Lee and Ted are outfitted with ear pieces. Ziva asks Lee to tell her more about what happened. Lee asks Ziva if she will ever see her daughter again and Ziva says probably not. Gibbs gives Lee Domino and Lee is surprised they let her have the real thing.

Vance gets a call that somebody hacked into the computer and downloaded the real Domino. Vance tells McGee that it was traced back to his computer and the he and Gibbs have committed treason.

Ted and Lee enter a bar while Gibbs watches from the back of the room. Vance calls Gibbs and tells him to shut down the operation. Gibbs says he's busy and will call him back. Ted places the Domino in the menu. Abby then calls Gibbs and says that she's figured out the kidnapper's identity as Paul Wintiff, a witness in a FBI case who lives in a safehouse a few blocks away. Gibbs sends Ziva to the safehouse and Tony goes with her.

Vance sees that Tony is on the move and calls to find out what's happening. Tony and Ziva arrive at the safehouse and find it full of computers. Tony snaps pictures, then calls McGee. Vance takes McGee's phone and angrily tells Tony that the room looks like an internet hub. Ziva finds the little girl in a room on a bed. She is still breathing, but Tony finds sleeping pills nearby. They pull back the blankets and see that the bed is rigged to a pressure plate that is hooked into the computer grid. Tony remembers Raiders of the Lost Ark and they use water to displace the weight, then pull the girl off the bed. The room then fills with shooting sparks.

At the bar, an alarm goes off. Gibbs searches the menu and finds the Domino is missing. Gibbs realizes that Ted set him up. Ted then grabs Lee and shoots at Gibbs. Ted and Lee run out of the building and get on to a bus. Gibbs shoots the tires out on the bus, then boards. Ted shoots Gibbs in the finger. Lee then gets Ted's arm and while wrestling with it, she discharges the gun. Gibbs shoots Lee in the chest three times and both she and Ted drop to the ground.

Gibbs meets with Vance and learns that Ted killed his wife 12 months ago. Vance says that the whole plan was set up by Ted months ago. Vance tells Gibbs that Lee was headed for a life sentence or worse and would never see her sister again. Vance then asks for Domino back. Gibbs tells him that it never left the office, but he needed everyone to think the Domino was real, even him. Vance asks if he's going to tell Amanda that Lee was a hero or a villain. Gibbs says both. Gibbs then meets with Amanda and gives her Lee's badge.

Road Kill

Season 6
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Guest Stars: Michelle Mulitz (Carrie), Brian Norris (Lucas), Christopher McDaniel (Petty Officer Greg Collins), John Henry Canavan (Jake Munro), Andrew Rothenberg (Bruce Solomon), Kai Lennox (Adam Parker), Brian Letscher (Sam Bennett), Antonio Sabàto Jr. (Dale Kapp), Tracy Scoggins (Tabitha Summers), Brie Mattson (Popular Girl)
Production Code: 123
Summary: While investigating the death of a petty officer in a car crash, the NCIS team learns of his violent secret life; underground street fighting.



A group of kids drink and party in the woods. A man crashes their party, collapses on one of the kids, then dies.

The next day, Tony takes a webcam snapshot of himself and posts it on a website featuring people competing in various categories including air guitar. Ziva tells Tony that what he is into is stupid and asks McGee to back her up. She looks over to McGee and sees that he

also wants to participate in the website.

Gibbs arrives and tells the team that they have to investigate the death of a petty officer named Greg Collins.

The team goes to the woods where Greg died. Ziva finds a blood trail that leads back to the road. Ducky sees that the man has wounds consistent to being in a car accident. He finds that he has multiple old wounds that have been bandaged up.

Ziva and Tony find Greg's car and see that it was shot at. The kids state that they didn't hear any gunshots. They see that the clock in the car stopped an hour before the party started. They find a foot print on the ground next to the car.

Ducky takes the body back to the lab and finds that the victim was beaten, but he fought back and scratched his attacker. He finds that Greg Collins' body has a DNA sample underneath his fingernails that matches the DNA found on the bandages. They suspect that the person that beat him, also tended to his wounds.

Ziva finds that there are two sets of tires. They determine that a bullet went through the the back window. Gibbs believes that the person who ran Greg off the road might have known him. They discover that the security alarm at Greg's house is going off. The team goes to Greg's house and sees that no one is there. In the backyard, they find a towel with dried blood and a tooth. A group of neighbors, including a man named Parker, arrive and say that they heard the alarm going off for 45 minutes. The team tells the neighbors that Greg was murdered. Parker tells the team that Greg was always loud and recently had a group of brawling men in the backyard.

Abby finds that the shoe print is probably from a custom made pair. They find that the DNA found under Greg's nails and on his bandages matches a man named Sam Bennett. They learn that Sam works as part of a salvage crew on a ship.

Tony and McGee go to the ship that Sam was working on. They speak to the foreman and he says that Sam left early. Tony tells the foreman that Sam is wanted in connection to a murder. The foreman says that Sam took off after learning that the authorities were on their way. The team returns to headquarters and begin to search for Sam. Later, Sam shows up at the headquarters.

Sam is brought to the interrogation room. He tells Gibbs that Greg turned his life around and help him out. Gibbs asks about the fighting. Sam says that he is not supposed to talk about what they did. Gibbs says that he knows that they had backyard brawls. Sam says that they fight for money. Sam says that he was randomly chosen to fight Greg. He says that after the fight, he fixed Greg up then killed him. Gibbs tells Sam that he doesn't think that he killed him. Sam says that he told Greg that it wasn't safe to drive after the fight. Gibbs tells Sam that someone shot at his car, causing him to lose control of his car then crash. Sam is surprised at the news and asks who shot at him.

Abby and McGee talk about who they would like to see fight. Abby says that she would like to see Gibbs get into a fight with a group of Terminators. McGee arrives and overhears their conversation.

Abby tells Gibbs that they found auto paint scraped into Greg's car. Abby creates a computer recreation of the crash. She says that the paint on the car is rare and should be traceable. McGee says that the paint matches a Maserati belonging to a woman named Tabitha Summers.

Later, Tabitha arrives in the office with her lawyer. Tony thinks that Tabitha is attractive and tells McGee that Tabitha is like a cougar, always on the hunt. McGee tells Tony that he thought that cougars were only into young guys.

Gibbs speaks to Tabitha and her lawyer. Tabitha says that she has been married four times. She says that she is currently married to her lawyer, Dale. They say that the car is being brought to their vacation home.

Gibbs brings Abby fingerprint samples obtained from the water glasses in the conference room. They discover that Dale's fingerprints match the partial prints found on the car. They locate his cell phone signal and find that it is in front of the building. Tabitha returns to the office and tells the team that Dale took off without her.

McGee sees a traffic camera showing Dale running a red light just before Greg was killed. Tony tells Ziva that he moved into second place in the website air guitar competition. Ziva tells him that she is more into reading books.

Abby finds that Dale had chat messages making plans to have a date with a girl named Jody. Gibbs and Tony go to Jody's apartment. Gibbs and Tony hear a woman who tells them to let themselves in. They find that there is a camera watching the apartment. They go to the bathroom and see that there is a dummy in the shower. They find that the voice is pre-recorded and activates with motion sensors. Gibbs breaks into the office in the apartment and finds a room full of computers recording the apartment.

Abby and McGee figure that Jody was blackmailing men with recordings of them entering the apartment thinking that they were going to have an affair with a woman. Abby says that the image linked to the chat room matches a stock photo of a model from the Ukraine. They find that the profile was set up by an ip address registered to Greg's house.

The team goes to Greg's house and finds Dale's car parked in front with the engine still warm. Inside the house, they find Dale's dead body.

Ducky finds that the man was beaten to death. He thinks that he might have been struck with a board of wood. Parker, the neighbor arrives at the scene and tells Gibbs that he spotted a man at the house matching Sam's description.

The team arrives at the boat to look for Sam. The lights cut out and they figure that Sam knows that they are there. Tony finds a makeshift bedroom and figures that Sam has slept there. They find Sam and tell him to give himself up, but instead he runs. Gibbs tries to call McGee, but he doesn't respond. They hear a scream and find McGee placing Sam in handcuffs. The team is surprised that McGee is able to take down a backyard brawler. McGee says that Sam fell over and hit his head.

They bring Sam to the headquarters and he says that he didn't kill Dale. Ziva tells Sam that they have a witness that spotted him at the house. They bring Parker to the office. Parker says that Sam is the one that he saw at the house. Sam sees Parker and tells the team that he is the one that killed Dale. McGee tells Parker that he knows that he hacked and sent emails to Dale using Greg's internet network.

Sam tells Tony that he stayed at Greg's house from time to time. He says that he hid in Greg's house when Parker arrived and make a phone call. Sam tells the team that he hid and overheard Parker tell a man to pay up or else. Sam watched as Parker beat Dale to death. Sam says that he didn't stop Parker beat Dale because he wanted him dead too for killing Greg.

Tony invites Ziva to go to the movies. She says that she doesn't want to go out tonight. After Tony leaves, Ziva records herself air guitaring.

Silent Night

Season 6
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Season Episode: 11

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Director: Tony Wharmby
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Guest Stars: Charles Carroll (Dr. Pryor), Wesley Jonathan (Greg), Eric Stonestreet (Harvey Ames), Carla Gallo (Melissa Wheeler Fox), Ryan Bittle (Metro Detective Justin Kemp), Kay Lenz (Connie Quinn Wheeler), Peter Coyote (Ned Quinn), Bill Stevenson (Hector)
Production Code: 124
Summary: An elderly couple found killed while decorating for Christmas leads the team to find a war veteran long thought dead.



A man delivers a wreath to a house. He knocks on the door, looks inside and sees a dead elderly couple. From inside the house, another man looks outside the window.

McGee tells the team that a Metro police officer named Kemp is on the way to fill them in on the case. Tony says that he used to date Kemp's wife for four months before she got married. McGee says that

Kemp is investigating a double homicide. Kemp walks in and tells Gibbs that the fingerprints found at the scene match a marine named Ned Quinn. Their records shows that Quinn is already dead. Kemp says that the wreath delivery man gave the police a description that matches Quinn photo.

Gibbs meets with Ducky at the lab. Gibbs says that the suspect of a double homicide has a death certificate signed by Ducky.

McGee says that Quinn was a decorated Vietnam vet. He says that he came back from the war with PTSD, used drugs, then ended up separating from his wife and daughter. He later became homeless. Quinn was thought to be found burned in a fire along with other transients.

Ducky finds an old audio tape of the autopsy in which he identified Quinn as one of the bodies found in the fire. He says that the victim that was identified as Quinn had meth mouth, which made dental record matching impossible. He says that DNA sampling techniques were not used during that time. They made an educated guess since the body was found with Quinn's things. Ducky says that after the war, Ned was treated for PTSD at the Bethesda medical center.

McGee and Ziva meet with Connie Fox, Quinn's ex-wife, and her daughter, Melissa, at her home. Connie says that her husband has been dead for years and before that he was never part of their lives after the divorce. Melissa says that after Ned came back from the war, he became a drug addict.

Ducky meets with Ned's doctor, Dr. Pryor. Abby walks in and sees that Pryor is dressed like Santa. Pryor says that Ned blames himself for his squadmates' death. Pryor says that he doesn't remember if Ned had a record of violent tendencies. Pryor gives Ducky all of his psychiatric files. Ducky reviews the files and sees that Ned didn't have any signs of violent behavior.

Ducky finds that Ned visits the Vietnam Memorial to look at the name of his squadmate, Roger Grant every year. Ducky figures that the team might be able to find Ned when he visits Grant's grave at the anniversary of his death, which is the next day.

The next day, which is Christmas Eve, Ziva and Tony wait for Ned in their car at the Memorial. Ziva asks Tony if he ever thinks about not having a family during the holidays. Tony ignores her question and leaves the car to investigate someone approaching.

Melissa meets Gibbs at the office. Melissa says that her mother doesn't speak for her. She says that she has childhood memories of Ned. She says she hopes to connect with her biological father and wants to see him. Gibbs gets a call from Tony who tells him that Ned is at the Memorial. Gibbs tells Tony to hold on before nabbing him.

Gibbs meets Ned at the Vietnam Memorial. Gibbs tells Ned that he knows who he is. Ned is brought back to the office. Ducky says that Ned is in good hygiene, clean and sober. Gibbs meets with Ned in the interrogation room. He asks about his prints found at the crime scene. Ned says that the couple brought him to their house to help them decorate for the holidays. Quinn says that the couple had a tradition of helping someone less fortunate. He says that he was in the garage, came back, and found the husband dead and the wife barely alive. Ned says that he tried to save the wife by giving her CPR.

McGee and Tony go to Quinn's apartment. The landlord lets them in and says that Quinn lived there for more than 12 years. Tony finds drawings of people in his apartment.

Ned says that another man was in his room the night that they thought he died in the fire. He says that he left the building, then came back to find his room in flames. Ned says that he figured if he was thought to be dead, his family would receive his military benefits.

Abby tells Ziva that they should tell Melissa that they have her father. Later, Ducky says that the wife was restrained by handcuffs and the man was killed by blunt force trauma to the head. Ducky says that Ned was telling the truth when he said that he tried to save the wife's life. He says that the evidence shows that the wife had CPR performed on her.

Gibbs gets a call and learns that the Metro police will arrive and wants custody of Ned. Gibbs meets with Vance in his office. Gibbs says that he doesn't think that Quinn killed the couple.

Vance tells Kemp that he will not hand over Quinn to him and the Metro police. Kemp says that he has to go home to assemble Christmas toys for his family. Kemp says that he will be back with a court order the next day, then leaves. Vance says that the team only has a day to find the couple's real killer.

McGee finds that before the husband died, he filed a patent claim against Paradyne Industries. Tony says that he knows that Kemp is the son in law of the owner of the Paradyne Industries.

Ned asks Ziva when the police will show up to pick him up. Ziva says that because it is a holiday, the police are taking their time. Ned asks for a pencil and paper so he can draw.

Tony, Ziva and Gibbs go to the dead couple's home. They see that there is an electronic keypad for a security system. Tony bets Ziva that he can figure out what the keycode is. He enters the number and the alarm is deactivated. Tony says that he saw which numbers were worn down and looked into the anniversary and birthdays of the couple. They enter the house and Gibbs says that they might find something that the police missed.

Abby meets with McGee and says that Melissa is in the lobby. Abby says that he called and told Melissa that they have her father in custody. Abby says that Ned and Melissa's situation is like a fairy tale. Abby says that what makes the story complete is that they reunite during Christmas. Abby begs McGee to let Melissa see Ned. McGee tells Ned that Melissa is there. Ned says that he doesn't want to see her and to tell her that she was better off to think that he was dead.

Back at the couple's home, Gibbs finds that a chair has been moved. Tony finds that the chair was moved into the closet to access a safe. They find that the safe is empty. A security guard named Harvey arrives and says that the alarm was triggered. They say that they are double checking the scene. Tony finds a hammer and a bloody towel in the home. Vance calls Gibbs and says that he knows that they went into the crime scene and contaminated the scene. Vance tells Gibbs to get Ned ready to be transferred to the Metro police. Later, Abby tells Gibbs that she found fingerprints on the hammer that matches Ned.

Gibbs tells Ned that they found his prints on the murder weapon. Gibbs says that they found the hammer in the garage. Gibbs says that Metro police is in the building to pick him up.

Kemp tells Tony that he has been waiting too long. Kemp says that he wants to get back to his family, who are at his vacation home. Gibbs says that the victim was in the process of suing his father in law and that he has a conflict of interest by investigating the case. Kemp says that his father in law doesn't share his affairs with him. Gibbs hands over Ned to the Metro police.

Abby tells Gibbs that she found a fabric print of a glove on the safe. She says that if Gibbs brings her a glove, she can see if it matches the print.

McGee says that he accessed the security company's records and found that the alarm at the couple's house was deactivated before they arrived.

Gibbs and the team meets with Kemp at the crime scene. Gibbs says that they found a print on the safe. He says that someone deactivated the alarm and planted the murder weapon in garage. Harvey, the security officer, arrives. Ziva tells Harvey that they found a button from his uniform in the couple's couch. They take his gloves then say that they can prove that it matches the print that was found on the safe. Harvey takes a taser gun and threatens the team. Ziva says that the gun only has one shot and there are five of them. Harvey fires the gun and shocks McGee. Ziva knocks Harvey down to the ground then arrests him. Later at the station, McGee says that Harvey admitted to killing the couple and stole the items from the safe.

Later, Gibbs brings Ned to Melissa's house. Ned says that he ruins people's lives. Gibbs says that Melissa wants to reunite with him. Gibbs says that if he had one wish, he would hug his daughter. Gibbs says that will never happen, but Ned has a chance to hug his daughter. Ned gets out of the car and gives Gibbs a drawing of Gibbs and the team. Ned knocks on the door and enters Melissa's house. Gibbs watches as Ned hugs his daughter and grandson. In the car, Gibbs calls his dad and wishes him a Merry Christmas.

Caged

Season 6
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Season Episode: 12

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Writer: Alfonso H. Moreno
Director: Leslie Libman
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Guest Stars: Janina Gavankar (Angela Lopez), Lisa Rieffel (Brenda Carter), Michael Hyatt (Judy Williams), Channon Roe (Sergeant Gordon Lambro), Kyle Searles (Aaron), Rebekah Brandes (Zoe Bellows), Tonya Cornelisse (Kayla Vicari), Isaiah Mustafa (Oliver Newcomb), Stephanie Niznik (Sharon Bellows), Martha Hackett (Celia Roberts), Robert Wisdom (Warden Gene Halsey), Jamie Renee Smith (Rhiannon)
Production Code: 125
Summary: The NCIS team must reveal the truth behind the murder of a jail guard which resulted in a prison riot and McGee being held captive by the inmates.



A group of people are making a horror movie where a cheerleader frantically runs through the woods. The director yells cut and tells the cheerleader she doesn't know how to scream. Rhiannon, the cheerleader, then falls in a pit and finds a skeleton. She lets out a scream and the director tells her it's much better.

Ziva and Tony arrive to work together and she tells him that the woman he is interested in has asked her out twice before. McGee is upset about his car which is in the shop for repairs. Tony and Ziva tease McGee for not being able to stand up to his mechanic. Gibbs walks in and tells the team that they have a case to investigate.

Ducky examines the skeleton and says that he was stabbed multiple times and is missing a middle finger. Ziva says that the bones belong to a Lt. Palletto. Gibbs says that he knows the person the bones belong to and who killed him. The team examines the files of Celia Roberts, a hooker who was sentenced for killing two other men. She was suspected of killing Lt. Palletto, but since his body was never found, she was never convicted for that crime. Ziva announces that she will get her to confess because she is a woman and women open up to other women. Gibbs instructs McGee to get the confession, surprising Tony and Ziva. Tony asks McGee when the last time he was able to convince a woman to do anything. Ziva says that McGee convinced her to give him her last ten dollars. McGee thanks Ziva for her confidence and leaves. Ziva then whispers to Tony that McGee doesn't have a chance.

McGee visits Celia Roberts in prison. As McGee goes to the visiting room, he runs into his old friend Brenda, a prison guard. McGee awkwardly asks Brenda out, then meets with Celia. McGee shows Celia pictures of Palletto before and after his murder. McGee says that the Pallettos would like closure and since she killed two other men in the same manner, he believes she killed him

too. McGee says that Palletto's body was found in Virginia and if she confesses, he won't send her to Virginia to face the death penalty. A loud commotion then breaks out and an officer gets slammed into the door.

Abby returns a video game she borrowed from McGee. Ziva tells her that McGee is at the prison getting a confession. Gibbs then gets a call and tells the team they have to go to the prison. Abby asks if McGee is okay and Gibbs tells her he will call her.

The women at the prison are yelling at each other. There is a guard bleeding on the floor and other guards handcuffed to the wall. McGee asks what happened and guards say they don't know. The women then find out that McGee is also a cop and tell him that he will be the first to go if there is a raid. They handcuff McGee to the wall. McGee asks a guard what the women are in for and he tells him.

The team arrives and meets with the warden. He describes the plan to retrieve his guards and McGee. Gibbs asks if he has had any experience and the warden walks away. The warden then tells Gibbs that the women are using confiscated radios to communicate and says that they are sending someone out to negotiate. Gibbs and the warden meet with McGee who was released as the negotiator. The warden asks what the situation is and McGee says he is only authorized to talk to Gibbs. McGee tells Gibbs about the handcuffed guards and Trimble who was stabbed. He says that the women are asking that only the woman responsible for Trimble's death is punished. He says they want NCIS to determine who killed Trimble and will allow them in to examine the body.

The warden clears out the prison and has everyone but the prisoners loaded onto buses. McGee takes control of the room of women and says that he needs to frisk everyone to find the murder weapon.

Tony and Ziva wonder how they are going to solve a murder when they aren't allowed into the crime scene. The warden tells Gibbs he has seven hours to solve the case before he sends in a team. Gibbs asks if Trimble had any enemies and the warden says maybe. Gibbs and Ducky are sent into the room and Celia searches them for weapons.

Ducky sees that Trimble bled to death slowly. McGee says that he couldn't find the murder weapon and the crime scene has been contaminated. They follow the blood trail to the bathroom and see that Trimble's head was slammed into the wall. Gibbs tells McGee that they only have a few hours. McGee says Trimble was supposed to notify the other guards when he used the bathroom, but this time he didn't. He thinks Trimble was doing something that he wasn't supposed to.

Tony and Ziva bring evidence to Abby and tell her that they only have until sundown to solve the case. Abby is upset because she worries about them every time they leave the office. She asks if McGee is going to be okay and Tony assures her he will be fine.

Gibbs calls Abby and tells her that McGee will be fine. Abby says that she found traces of antifreeze in Trimble's system. Abby says that someone was poisoning him and even if he wasn't stabbed to death, he would have been dead anyways.

Tony and Ziva update Gibbs on their findings. Tony says that no one saw Trimble get stabbed. Tony then replays the video of when Trimble was stabbed and says that the section of the tape where he was killed was erased. They say that a fellow guard named Brenda had been called the dead guard 150 times. Tony says that Brenda seems crazy.

Ziva brings Brenda in and asks her about her relationship with Trimble. Brenda admits that she called him a lot, but says that he told her that he loved her. Ziva asks if Brenda knew he was being poisoned and was under investigation for drugs. Brenda says that she didn't know. She then says that she is friends with the woman in charge of drug screening and she told her that the warden missed the last screening and faked the one before that.

McGee calls a woman into a room for questioning. McGee says that it looks like she is going through withdrawal and Trimble's death seems to be drug related. She pulls out a can of mace and sprays McGee's eyes, saying she doesn't like his tone. The warden then tells Gibbs to shut down the investigation. Gibbs tells the warden that he knows about the faked drug test. The warden says he has two hours.

McGee turns out the lights and tells the women he's done. He says that if they want to figure out who killed Trimble, they have to figure it out themselves. McGee demands the name of their drug supplier and they all shout out Lambro.

Gibbs and Tony bring the dealer in for questioning. They ask if Trimble was on to him and he killed him to protect himself. The dealer says that Trimble wasn't trying to shut down the drug operation, he was the head of it.

Ziva tells Gibbs that Trimble's brother was with the DEA. Gibbs then gets a call from Abby. Abby says that she wanted to see if there was a connection between the antifreeze and Trimble's work schedule. She says that there was no way anyone from the prison poisoned him. She then adds that Sharon Bellow's, one of the prison inmates, relative's DNA was found on his bed sheets.

McGee taps into Trimble's email account to look for answers. He then finds a picture of Trimble with a young woman. The woman turns out to be Zoe Bellows, Sharon's daughter. Gibbs questions Zoe and she tells him that Trimble threatened to hurt her mom if she didn't sleep with him. Zoe says that she didn't tell her mom. Gibbs asks if she spiked his drinks with antifreeze. Zoe says she killed him. Gibbs says she didn't.

McGee questions Sharon and asks how she knew about Trimble and Zoe. McGee says that Trimble was emailing the photo to the other guards. Sharon says she only has one year left and she wants to be a mother again. One of the women announces that the food is about to be delivered on carts. McGee tells the women that if the dinner is delivered, they will all be punished.

Gibbs tells the warden to stop the food delivery. Gibbs then calls McGee and says they don't have much time. McGee then finds Sharon and Celia locked in a room together. Celia walks out of the room and says that the warden can have Trimble's killer.

The team waits outside as McGee is released. Ziva and Tony ask if McGee is okay and he says he's fine. McGee tells the warden that the killer will be out soon. Celia then walks out and drops the murder weapon. She says that she killed Trimble. McGee is surprised. Celia tells the warden that Trimble was raping Zoe. Celia then tells McGee that she killed Palletto too and will give him a signed confession.

The team returns to headquarters. Abby gives McGee a hug. McGee then gets a call from his mechanic. McGee lays down the law and tells the mechanic that he wants things done his way, leaving Tony and Ziva in shock. Abby tells McGee she likes the new him.

Broken Bird

Season 6

Episode Number: 126

Season Episode: 13

Originally aired:	Tuesday January 13, 2009
Writer:	Jesse Stern
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Recurring Role:	David Dayan Fisher (Trent Kort), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars:	W. Morgan Sheppard (Marcin Jerek), Bernard White (Afghani Ambassador Gasim Saydia), Naz Deravian (Mosuma Daoub), Dariush Kashani (Ezmaray Daoub), Kym Hoy (Cheryl Young), Sharni Vinson (Jeannette), Tim Chiou (Petty Officer Kevin Lim), Nick McDow (Javid), Torri Higginson (Dr. Jordan Hampton), Salman Bokhari (Young Afghani Man)
Production Code:	126
Summary:	A man is stabbed in the street and the team is called in to investigate, but the investigation leads to an attack against one of their own.



A couple kiss each other goodbye. Another woman then walks up to the man and tells him that he stabbed her in the back. The man then looks down, pulls a knife from his stomach and falls down in the street.

Tony and Ziva wonder what is inside a box addressed to McGee. Ziva is about to open the box, then McGee walks in. He opens the box and shows them his old

computers. Tony and Ziva are unimpressed. Gibbs then walks in and tells the team they have to investigate the death of Petty Officer Kevin Lim.

The detectives interview Kevin's girlfriend. She says that she thinks his ex-fiance Cheryl killed him. Witnesses say they saw a woman with blood on her hands exit the scene. Ducky arrives and argues with Jimmy Palmer about city street layouts. Ziva asks why there is no J street, then gets a call. Jimmy apologizes to Ducky for failing his class, then says he will make it up to him. Jimmy then tells Ducky that Kevin bled to death from a stab wound.

Ziva, Tony and Gibbs find the woman who stabbed Kevin hiding in an alley. The detectives arrest Cheryl and pat themselves on the back for solving the case so quickly. Suddenly, another woman wearing a scarf over her face walks into the crime scene and grabs the murder weapon. She tries to stab Ducky and he fights her off. Tony chases after the woman and Ziva sees her scarf in the street. Ducky tells Gibbs he'll be okay, then reveals that the knife has been stabbed through his hand.

Abby asks Jimmy how Ducky is and he tells her in scientific terms that Ducky will be okay. Abby tells him that she is tired of hearing about how her teammates keep getting hurt in the field.

Gibbs goes to Ducky who has been given morphine. Ducky tells the team that they need to call in a substitute. He tells them that the number for a woman named Dr. Jordan Hampton is

on his desk. Abby asks Gibbs how she is supposed to log the knife since it is the weapon in two separate cases.

Tony, Ziva, and McGee watch video footage of the attack on Ducky. The detectives try to figure out what language the woman is shouting in and decide to call in an expert.

Jimmy examines Kevin's body and Jordan, Ducky's substitute walks in. Jimmy tells her about the case. She asks why she is filling in and he says that she is filling in for Ducky because he was stabbed while on duty. Jordan is quiet.

Ziva goes to Abby and she tells Ziva that she was able to retrieve several prints from the knife. Abby says she was also able to find hair samples from the scarf. Ziva then gets a call and learns that the linguist has a translation of the woman's shouting. Gibbs goes to Ducky and tells him that the woman shouted 'Bringer of Death, you killed my brother' to him. Gibbs asks why she said that and Ducky says probably because he killed her brother.

Ziva tells Gibbs that they think the woman who attacked Ducky is named Mosuma Daoub. Gibbs tells them to bring her in, but the detectives can't find her. They can find her husband, though, and Gibbs tells them to bring him in for questioning. Ziva asks Mr. Daoub where his wife is and he says he doesn't know. Ziva shows him the scarf and he acknowledges that it is his wife's.

McGee shows Tony Mosuma's phone records. They learn that she has called the Afghanistan Embassy. Meanwhile, Gibbs examines Ducky's records. Gibbs then meets with Trent Kort and asks him for help. Kort tells Gibbs he doesn't like him and Gibbs says he doesn't like him either. Gibbs then asks Kort to look into a refugee camp on the Afghanistan-Pakistan border. Kort agrees, but tells Gibbs he will owe him one.

Tony and Ziva go to the Afghanistan Embassy and ask about Mosuma Daoub. The ambassador admits that she is in the building, but won't turn her over until they can investigate the accusations that she has made against Ducky. He tells them that she told him that Ducky violated article 4 of the Geneva convention. Ziva and Tony are shocked to hear Ducky is being accused of committing war crimes.

Ziva and Tony tell McGee what they've learned. Ziva says that the charges pertain to an incident from a refugee camp over 30 years ago. Ziva says that the woman must have been planning the attack, but can't figure out how she knew where to find Ducky. Tony puts a plan of attack together to canvas the streets to find out how the woman knew Ducky would be at the scene. Ziva and McGee tease Tony for his sudden ambition.

Trent and Gibbs go into the archives. Trent hands over Ducky's file. He then asks Gibbs why he is going around his boss to obtain the information. He then hands Gibbs a file on Vance and tells him it's on the house. Gibbs opens Ducky's file, then goes to Ducky's house. Ducky tells Gibbs that a bird flew into his house and that is an omen that someone is going to die. Ducky says his dog accidentally killed the bird so he thinks the omen may have pertained to the bird itself. Gibbs sets up a film projector. Ducky tells Gibbs that when he was at the refugee camp, he thought he could save lives. Gibbs then shows Ducky the footage he retrieved from his file. Ducky tells Gibbs he'll know Mosuma's brother when he sees him. The two watch footage of torture. Ducky says he was never in the room when people were being tortured. Ducky then sees Mosuma's brother and says that he was in charge of sewing him up after he was put through a session of torture. Gibbs gets mad at Ducky and asks what really happened. Gibbs asks if he is protecting the torturer and Ducky says no. Gibbs then leaves. Ducky walks out and opens the box with the dead bird inside. The bird flies away and Ducky is relieved that it was only stunned. Gibbs tells Jordan to keep an eye on Ducky.

Tony and McGee learn that everyone who knew Mosuma said she was a calm and professional person, and when she saw Ducky, she snapped. Gibbs arrives at the headquarters and the detectives tell him they found nothing. Gibbs tells them that Ducky won't tell him what the connection is between him and Mosuma. Gibbs then gets a call from Jordan who says Ducky is missing.

Gibbs finds Ducky at the Afghanistan Embassy. Gibbs tells the ambassador that he can't arrest Ducky because he is under his jurisdiction. The ambassador says that they need to investigate the charges against Ducky. Gibbs points out that the embassy is harboring Mosuma. Ducky then stands up and tells the ambassador that he doesn't need counsel and he is pleading guilty.

McGee tells Abby about what a dork he was when he was younger. She tells him that she likes

his geeky parts, but can't believe he was a Mac guy. McGee then finds out who the torturer was in the video. Tony tells McGee his head is shaped like an egg.

Ziva and Gibbs wait at the embassy. Ziva tells Gibbs that they have seven hours until the offices open in Kabul. She tells Gibbs to use the time to get Ducky to open up. They then tell the ambassador that there is someone that is asking to speak with Ducky. They bring in the torturer from the refugee camp to talk to Ducky and the detectives, the ambassador, and Mosuma listen in on the conversation. The torturer and Ducky talk about what happened. Ducky says he was there to save lives. The torturer asks how many lives Ducky lost because of morphine. Ducky is mad that the man takes so much joy in causing pain. He says that he was able to save many by hurting only a few. Ducky says that he was with Mosuma's brother when he died. The torturer says that he ignored Mosuma's brother's infection. Ducky argues that he was in agonizing pain and he made the decision to give him morphine for the pain. The torturer then tells Ducky that he was using the boy to torture Ducky to get him to break, but Ducky would never give in to condoning torture. Ducky walks out and sees Mosuma. The ambassador then tells Ducky he is free to go and the charges against him will not be pursued. Gibbs tells Ducky he is forgiven, but Ducky says there is no forgiveness for his acts.

Jimmy is excited to have Ducky back. Jordan tells him that Ducky is not a man who wants a big show of affection. Ducky then walks in and Jimmy tells him about his studies. Ducky tells Jimmy to take the day off and smell a rose or two. Jimmy tells Ducky that there is no J Street because a capital J looks too much like a capital I and the designers were just trying to keep people from getting lost. Jimmy then leaves. Jordan walks up to Ducky as he begins to cry.

Love & War

Season 6
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Season Episode: 14

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Director: Terrence O'Hara
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Guest Stars: Michael Toland (Navy Captain Thomas Jennings), James Urbaniak (Dr. Rod Daniels), Eva Tamargo (Adrianna Lopez), Christine Woods (Rebecca Jennings), Danneel Harris (Jessica Shore), Chris Carmack (Kevin Nelson), David Pease (Sheriff Lee Chandler)
Production Code: 127
Summary: The NCIS team investigates a bizarre murder of a sergeant whose suspicious private life might be the reason why he got killed.



A navy Captain gets into his car, but can't find his keys. He gets out of his car and checks his cell phone, but he has no reception. He calls out into the darkness to see if anyone is there.

The team is on the phone with tech support because their computers have all crashed. McGee arrives in a good mood and quickly fixes the computers. He tells Tony and Ziva that he is in a good mood

because he went on an online date with a lady who is just like him. Tony reminds McGee that he hasn't met the woman yet, but McGee is optimistic. Gibbs walks in and tells the team they need to investigate a missing person.

Kevin Nelson, his ex-fiance, and Becky Jennings walk in and give the team information about the disappearance of Becky's father. She says they got into a fight and she thinks he is just trying to prove a point to her. Kevin thinks the disappearance is more serious than Becky. Tony knocks on the door and whispers to Gibbs that a body has been discovered in the woods.

Tony and Gibbs go to the woods and see Navy Captain Thomas Jennings's body in a shack with his intestines ripped from his body. Ziva and Ducky arrive and examine the scene. Tony teases McGee about his hesitation to look at the body. McGee says he's in too good of a mood to spoil it with blood. McGee then says Tony is just jealous because he hasn't had a date in a while.

Ducky says the abdominal wound was done post mortem. Ducky says there is a lack of defensive wounds and Ziva notices the blood is unusually red. Ducky explains that the color signifies carbon monoxide poisoning. Ducky then reveals a pentagram carved into the man's back.

Tony and Ziva look through Jennings's house. Tony tells Ziva not to be afraid of the pentagram carved in Jennings's back. Tony then confesses that he is actually the girl McGee is dating. Ziva tells Tony to end the relationship. Tony says he has an idea based on Fatal Attraction. Jennings's housekeeper then walks in the room and the detectives break the news of his death to her. Tony sees a door and asks where it goes. She says Jennings never let anyone down there. Tony and Ziva walk down to the basement and see a teddy bear. McGee recognizes the bear as one that

was sold out when he was a kid. He says he made his own using a voice recorder. McGee then tells Gibbs he checked Jennings's voicemail and heard a message from his daughter left two days ago. He plays the message and the team hears her complain about her father's long trips. Tony then finds out that Jennings worked at the counter espionage labs 16 hours spread 7 days a week.

Abby gets to work on the bear from Jennings's basement. She says the bear is the unattainable bear from 1989. She says the factory seals were broken which means someone has been inside. She then tells Gibbs about the pentagram. She says because it is symmetric, it's not a Satanic pentagram.

Ducky looks at Jennings's body and sees head trauma, disembowelment, a pentagram, and a green substance inside his body. Ducky says at first he thought the cause of death was the head injury, but the tox report says the carbon monoxide would have killed him first. Ducky says the pentagram was carved after he was killed. Ducky says he doesn't think the carving is Satanic, but thinks the killer was looking for something inside Jennings.

McGee plays with the bear which upsets Tony. McGee then programs the voice to sound like Gibbs. The team laughs as Gibbs walks in. Tony says the technology inside the bear could be used to send secret communications. Ziva wonders why Jennings used a child's toy to communicate. Ziva says she found encrypted emails that she can't read, but sees that they would stop everytime he went overseas.

Tony asks McGee about his girlfriend. McGee says she's a little clingy, but he'll give her another shot. Ziva tells Tony to tell McGee the truth.

Abby tells Gibbs that the car that left the tire tracks at the scene was a 1972 Skylark. She pulls up an image and shows Gibbs that the wheels on the car had had pentagrams. Abby says Jennings must have died from carbon monoxide poisoning because he was in the trunk of the car. The pentagram was probably etched into his back from the spare tire. He was then taken to the shed and carved up.

Tony and Ziva go to Jennings's lab. They talk to Captain Jennings's co-workers who tell them Jennings was honorable, but they had a security breach recently. He show the detectives that they developed a device disguised as a toothpaste tube to get through customs. The team wonders if Jennings swallowed the device and the killers cut into him to retrieve it. They then get a hit on a location of a 72 Buick Skylark.

The detectives arrive at the storage unit holding the car. A man then drops to his death from the roof in front of them. They take pictures of the scene and learn the man was just a petty thief named Brandon. They wonder if he jumped or was pushed. Ducky says he sees defensive wounds on the man's hands which seems like he was pushed. They figure he was killed by someone cleaning up their loose ends.

Kevin goes to the team and says he and Becky are back together. He says she is not up to confronting her father's murder. Gibbs tells Kevin that Becky doesn't have a choice. Gibbs then shows Kevin pictures of Brandon. Kevin says he doesn't recognize him. He tells Gibbs to give Becky some time and she'll talk.

The team investigates Becky and see she has no criminal record. Gibbs thinks she knows something and tells the team to talk to her friends. McGee is upset that he has to cancel his date. Tony tells McGee to keep his date and he and Ziva will cover for him.

Gibbs talks to Becky at a bar. She asks if she is a suspect. Gibbs says it's his job to investigate her. He shows her a picture of Brandon, but she doesn't recognize him. Becky is angry that Gibbs has no idea who killed her father or why. Gibbs asks why Becky left a message complaining about her father's long trips. She says she was devastated when her mom died, but she was okay because her dad was there. She says she doesn't think she's going to be okay now because she has no one. Gibbs asks about Kevin and Becky says she gave him a second chance. Gibbs then gets a call from McGee telling him he partially decrypted the emails. He says they came from a laptop that is in use right now at Jennings's house.

Tony and Ziva bring Jennings's maid in for questioning. Gibbs asks why Jennings paid an outside maid service with a credit card every week. Gibbs says she never worked for Jennings and only got her green card a few weeks ago. He asks where and when she meet Jennings. She says six months ago. Gibbs asks if she taught Jennings to steal. She says no and says she loved him. She explains that they had each just lost their spouses and they connected. She says that they lied about the relationship for Becky's sake. She says Jennings would visit her overseas

until she got her green card and could come to the states. Ziva thinks she is lying. McGee then says they found the device at the lab. He explains that Jennings never took it, he only used it to get the green card for his girlfriend.

The detectives now realize they lost the motive for Jennings's murder. They think if they can find Brandon's associates, they might find someone with a motive. Tony asks McGee if he was stood up, then suggests he dump her. McGee is not convinced that he should dump her and thinks she may be the one. They then walk into Brandon's apartment and see it is trashed.

Abby looks over the trash from the apartment. She says the dinner plates were smashed with a hammer, which means the things were broken out of anger. Abby says she found a print that belongs to Jessica Shore. They bring Jessica in and she admits she trashed Brandon's apartment. She says he gave her a fake ring when he proposed which turned her finger green. Abby recognizes the green color from what Ducky found in Jennings's body. Abby says the ring had been intestinalized and was in Jennings's stomach, before it was cut out.

Ducky says Jennings was rushed to the ER when he was 5 after swallowing his mother's engagement ring. Ducky says the doctors couldn't operate and just waited to have the ring make it's way out. He says the ring never came out and the story became a family legend. McGee then walks in and shows Gibbs a photo.

Gibbs and Tony find Becky and Kevin cleaning out her father's house. Becky asks why her father was murdered. Gibbs pulls out the ring and Becky recognizes it as her grandma's engagement ring. They ask if Kevin told his buddy about the ring. They then say that the ring was fake and he probably never heard that part of the family story. Tony asks if his friend tried to blackmail him and he killed him to keep him quiet. The detectives then show them several pictures of Kevin and Brandon together. Becky realizes Kevin had her father killed so that she would take him back. Kevin is then arrested.

Back at the headquarters, Tony asks McGee about his girlfriend. McGee says she sent him an email saying she's getting back together with her ex-boyfriend. McGee then says he doesn't care and he is still going to pursue her. Tony then nervously gets up and hands McGee the \$40 he owed him. Tony walks off and Ziva says she didn't tell McGee the truth so he could torture Tony. McGee then splits the money with Ziva.

Deliverance

Season 6

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Writer: Reed Steiner, Dan E. Fesman
Director: Dennis Smith
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Recurring Role: Muse Watson (Mike Franks)
Guest Stars: Jesse Garcia (Marine Private First Class Tomas Tamayo), Kari Coleman (Maggie Scott), Joseph Julian Soria (Victor "Popeye" Carmado), Chad Todhunter (Pete Lewis), Frank Alvarez (Rico), Eloy Mendez (Chuy), Ana Mercedes (Glenda), Hector A Garcia (Mickey Diaz), Kurt Caceres (Marine Staff Sergeant Vincente Medina), Chris Carmack (Kevin Nelson)
Production Code: 128
Summary: The NCIS team finds themselves involved in a city gang while investigating the death of a Marine, and Gibbs must face his past once again when he finds a message at the scene of the crime.



In an empty building filled with gang signs, a man shows a young man a set of three different guns. The buyer tests the guns. The buyer is shown a TEC 9 and he fires it into the skylight. After the glass shatters, they see a man with his hands tied behind his back fall through the opening.

McGee gives Tony a message that a woman named Melinda has postponed.

Tony asks how the woman sounded. Ziva says that the woman sounded delighted. Tony gets upset at McGee for not taking a good message. Tony is not sure which woman called him. Gibbs walks in and says that they have a case.

The team finds a dead body of Emilio Salazar, a man who joined the Marines three months ago and was supposed to be sent to Iraq. They see that the Emilio laser removed his tattoo. They see that the tattoo matches the graffiti on the wall. The team sees that there are two set of footprints. On the roof they find a pair of handcuffs and a phone number written in blood. Gibbs realizes that the number is his Marine service number.

Later, Vance asks where Gibbs is. A man calls for Gibbs and Tony asks the caller if he can take a detailed message. McGee tells Tony that he gets the point. They see that Emilio had a criminal record with a gang known as the P.C. Later, Ziva and Tony visit Emilio's commanding officer, Staff Sergeant Medina, at the firing range. Ziva tells Medina that a man in his unit was shot several times. Tony tells Medina that Emilio was killed in an area where he grew up. They ask Medina if Emilio talked about gangs. Ziva asks Medina if he can borrow his Berretta. She takes a shot and tells Medina that she prefers the Sig. She says that his sight is a few millimeters off. Tony brings back the target and they see that Ziva hit just left of the target's head.

Ducky tells Gibbs that Emilio was shot multiple times after he died. He says that a 9 mm is the bullet that killed Emilio. He says that Abby has the bullet. Vance arrives and tells Gibbs that

he knows that he is avoiding him. Later in his office, Vance calls to request information regarding Gibbs when he worked in black ops.

Gibbs meets with his old NCIS partner Mike. Gibbs tells the man that the only person who knew about the woman from Colombia is him. Mike admits that he brought the woman to the United States 17 years ago after their mission in Colombia. Gibbs asks Mike where he dropped her off. They go to a Latin neighborhood and ask a woman for Rose Tamayo. The woman tells Gibbs and Mike that Rose died ten years ago.

Mike and Gibbs meet with Vance in the office. Ziva says that she canvassed the area where Emilio was shot and learned that there is a turf war between the P.C.'s and the Verta Psychos. Ziva says that the main suspect that shot Emilio is a man named Victor Carmado who is a member of the P.C.s

Ziva tells Mike and Gibbs that the blood doesn't belong to Emilio. She says that the blood belongs to a man named Tomas Tomayo. Mike tells Gibbs that Rose had a one year old son when he brought Rose to the States. Meanwhile, Ziva and Tony visit Victor at his house. Two men approach Ziva and Tony as they get close to Victor. Victor tells Tony and Ziva that the neighborhood is dangerous and that they should leave. Tony says that he knows that it is dangerous and that is why he brought Ziva. Victor tries to run around the corner, but Tony catches him. Ziva beats up Victor's friends and returns to Tony.

Abby tells McGee that she heard something about Gibbs, Rose, Colombia and a kid that she had before he joined NCIS. Abby tells McGee to try to find more information.

Mike and Gibbs goes to Tomas's house and ask a woman named Maggie about him. Maggie says that she is the guardian of Tomas and many other kids. Maggie says that Rose got sick with cancer and asked her to take care of Tomas. Tomas walks up and gives Maggie a hug. Tomas asks the woman what is going on.

Gibbs and Mike bring Tomas into the office. They tell Tomas that they found his blood that blood was used to write Gibb's service number on the rooftop where Emilio was shot. Tony and Ziva hear Victor yelling in his interrogation room. They enter the room and tell him that the slug that killed Emilio matches a gun that he used. Victor says that they need a confession. In the other room, Mike tells Tomas that they found his blood, urine and sweat on the rooftop. Tomas says that he didn't kill Emilio. In the other room, Victor admits that he shot Emilio in the head, JFK style. Back in the room with Tomas, Gibbs tells him that Emilio died slowly after he was shot in the chest. Tomas says that he was not there.

Mike says that gangbangers don't kidnap people, they shoot people in the street. McGee sees that Staff Sergeant Medina recently called many P.C. members within the last six months. They learn that Medina was once part of the P.C. Vance calls Gibbs in and tells him that he has his Marine file. Gibbs tells him to read the last part of his file.

The team brings Medina in the office and ask him if he killed Emilio. They say that they know that he was once a gang member. Medina says that was a long time ago. Medina says that he was at home when Emilio was shot. Medina says that he saw how gangs destroyed his friends so he joined the Marines. He says that he wanted to recruit his friends into the Marines to get them out of their situation. Gibbs tells Medina that they have a surveillance photo of him outside of his house. Medina admits that he went out to see his kid from a woman who is not his wife.

Gibbs tells Mike that he let Tomas go. Mike and Gibbs head out to follow him. Mike tells Gibbs that Rose didn't want him to know about her kid. McGee tells Gibbs that Tomas is at Quantico. At headquarters, Tony wonders what Gibbs was doing in Colombia. McGee tells Vance that Tomas is heading back to his neighborhood. Vance calls Gibbs and tells him that four crates of rifles were missing at the armory. Gibbs sees Tomas haul four crates into an empty building, then receive a call. Tomas tells the caller that he did what he wanted. Gibbs tells McGee to record a camera that is pointed at the building. They see two men enter the the building. Ziva realizes that the men were at Victor's. Medina arrives and tells the men to freeze. The men pull out there guns and a battle ensues. Mike and Gibbs join the battle and shoot the men. Medina admits that he ordered Tomas to bring the guns to the building. Tomas says that his old friends ordered him to hand over guns and killed Emilio in front of him. Gibbs says that there is someone who is the mastermind.

Tomas is brought to the office. Gibbs tells Maggie that Tomas admitted to the crimes. Maggie says that Emilio was not supposed to get shot. Maggie says that there are kids that are dying everyday. Maggie says that she wanted the guns as a deterrant for violence. Gibbs arrests Maggie.

McGee tells Tony that the mystery caller was Melinda from the dentist office and they rescheduled his appointment. Later, Tomas tells Gibbs that his mother made him memorize his service number and told him to use it if he needs help. Tomas says that he is the reason why he became a Marine. Gibbs tells Tomas that when his mother saved his life, she was already pregnant with Tomas. Vance tells Gibbs that he read his file about the mission when he killed a drug cartel leader. Vance asks Gibbs if he told Tomas that the man that he killed was his father.

Bounce

Season 6

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Season Episode: 16

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Writer:	David North, Steven D. Binder
Director:	Arvin Brown
Show Stars:	Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), David McCallum (Chief Medical Examiner Ducky Mallard), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo)
Recurring Role:	Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars:	Jonathan Nail (Business Man), Ana Maria Lagasca (Maid), Matt Crabtree (Curt Carver), Terrel Clayton (Navy Commander Carl Davis), Emily Foxler (Desk Clark), April Parker-Jones (Elaine Davis), Scott Connors (Marine Sergeant Mitch Wilkins), Paul Greene (Renny Grant)
Production Code:	129
Summary:	When one of Tony's old cases ends up re-opened, he switches roles with Gibbs to finally solve the crime.



Ducky tells Tony that Justin was found with Valley Fever. He says that Justin had a fever when he died, which changes the time of death. Tony realizes that Justin died when Renny was having dinner.

Later, Gibbs releases Renny. Tony tells Renny that he is sorry for putting him in prison. Tony tells him that he will write him a letter for his appeal. Tony asks Renny who he thinks set him up. Renny

says that he can't believe that he expects him to help. Tony gets a call from McGee and says that there is a man in his office related to the case. An officer named Mitch tells Tony that he was right when he told him that someone framed Renny. Mitch asks Tony how Ziva is. Mitch says that he is a friend of Ziva on her Facebook page. Renny says that he has seen Ziva's knife collection. Mitch says that it looks like Renny found out how the real embezzler took the money.

Tony goes to Abby's lab and finds that she has digitized the partial print from the hotel room. Abby says that she can link it to a person only if they have a list of suspects. Tony tells Abby that he sent her a list of fingerprints of Renny's former co-workers via email. Abby loads the file and gets a match. Tony meets with the team and tells them that they have a suspect. They go to the home of a man named Carl Davis. After they arrive at the house, Tony tells Gibbs that he would like to take over the driving. They knock on Davis's door and Carl's wife tells them that Davis is out of town. They enter the house and find that Davis is tied up to the bed, gagged next to a small blood stain on the pillow. Carl's wife tries to explain that he was playing with her husband. The team see that the woman was about to burn Carl alive with lighter fluid. McGee finds an envelope filled with photos of Carl having an affair with another woman. Carl is surprised when Gibbs tells him that Justin was found killed. Davis says that he was having an affair with a woman when Justin was killed.

Abby apologizes to Tony for leading the team to Carl. Abby says that she found trace elements of smoke on the soap dispenser found with Carl's fingerprint. Abby says that the room is a non-smoking room. Abby tells him that the soap dispenser was stolen from Carl's home and planted

in the hotel room. McGee says that there is evidence of a third embezzler in Renny's case. Tony tells McGee to try to track the third embezzler. Palmer secretly meets with Tony. Tony tells Palmer that they can't find the third embezzler. Palmer says that it is common for embezzlers to sit on the money for years. Palmer says that Renny might know the case better than anyone. Palmer tells him that he should ask Renny for his help.

Tony goes to Renny's house and finds smoke coming from under the door. He breaks in and hears the smoke alarm. Tony sees that the house looks like there was a struggle. He calls if there is anyone in the house, but no one answers. Later, the team arrives at the scene to investigate. They see that there was prime rib burning in Renny's oven. Ziva finds a knife with blood on it. Tony suspects that someone kidnapped Renny and that he might be already dead. Back at the office, Tony tells the team to find Renny. Gibbs sees that Tony is getting upset and pulls him aside. Tony tells Gibbs that he feels bad for putting an innocent man in jail. Gibbs tells him that he is doing a great job leading the team. Gibbs tells him to get his head on right and trust his gut. Tony says that he rather trust Gibbs's gut. Gibbs tells him to hand over his phone if he wants to give up. Abby arrives and asks Gibbs and Tony if she is interrupting anything. Tony asks her what she has for him. Abby says that the blood found on the knife does not match Renny. Abby says that the knife was used to kill Justin. She says that Mitch left DNA evidence on the weapon.

Tony brings Mitch into the office and tells him that he thinks that he tried to get rid of Justin and Carl because they were his accomplices in the embezzlement. Mitch says that Carl attacked him when he arrived at the hotel. Mitch says that he left the knife at the hotel. Tony leaves the interrogation room and McGee tells him that Justin was just indicted for mail fraud. Ziva arrives and tells the team that the photos of Carl having an affair were fake. They figure that Renny set up the embezzlers to turn on each other. Tony finds Renny at the airport carrying a bag. Tony tells him that he thinks he has the money that the men embezzled. Renny opens his bag and shows him a bundle of clothes. Tony sees that Renny has a ticket to a Caribbean island. Tony leaves the airport and tells Gibbs that Renny is gone.

South by Southwest

Season 6
Episode Number: 130
Season Episode: 17

Originally aired: Tuesday February 24, 2009
Writer: George Schenck, Frank Cardea
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), David McCallum (Chief Medical Examiner Ducky Mallard), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs)
Guest Stars: Lance Henriksen (Sheriff Clay Boyd), Zach Lewis (NCIS Mailroom Clerk Roy), Matt Miller (NCIS Agent Jack Patterson), Robert Ri'chard (Navy Seaman Richard Zell), Patrick St. Esprit (Navy Commander Weidman), Aaron Norvell (Uniformed Cop #1), John Roderick Davidson (Uniformed Cop #2), Barry Livingston (Meek Looking Man), Mira Furlan (Dina Risi), Tim Guinee (Bart Lemming)
Production Code: 130
Summary: When a fellow agent is murdered, the NCIS teams heads into the desert to locate a woman who might hold the answer to the mystery murder.



An NCIS agent slips a package in the mailbox. A SUV chases him down. The driver pulls out a gun and shoots the agent dead.

Later, the force place black bands in memorial for Special Agent Patterson. Tony sees that he has a message. He listens and hears that a law firm in London wants him to call. The team investigates the scene where Patterson was

killed. Gibbs asks the team why they were late and Tony takes responsibility for being stuck in traffic. Ziva says that a witness reported a black SUV leaving the scene. The team figures that Patterson was killed by a professional killer. Ducky finds a business card of a Homeland Security Agent named Lemming in Patterson's hand. Gibbs tells Tony to call the number on the back of the card. Abby arrives and tells Gibbs that Patterson was going to see her before he died.

Abby tells Gibbs that she had a professional relationship with Patterson but never met him. Abby says that Patterson wanted to show her something. Abby says that Patterson wanted to meet her last night, but she told him to meet in the morning.

Tony calls the London law firm. Tony tells McGee that his great uncle died and that he thinks that he is in the will. Tony says that his uncle was rich and that he spent some time with him. Gibbs arrives and tells Tony to go back to work. Ziva brings the man that owned the business card, Lemming, into the office. Lemming tells Gibbs that he worked cases with Patterson. He says that Patterson wanted to show him something. Gibbs tells Lemming that Patterson was shot.

Abby goes to the morgue and apologizes to Patterson's dead body. She tells Patterson that she thought that he wanted to go on a date when he called. Ducky arrives and tells Abby that they have work to do.

Gibbs and McGee go to the ship that Patterson was assigned to. McGee finds photos that Patterson looked at before he died. They see that Patterson photographed a room on the ship. Gibbs, Tony and McGee go to the room and see that it is full of boxes. Gibbs tells them to go

through the boxes. Later, Abby is given a package that Patterson sent to her. Ziva and Abby learn that Patterson dropped off the package near where he was murdered. Abby opens the package and sees that it contains a water color picture of a Western scene.

Gibbs looks at the picture and sees a girl reading a book. Abby tells Gibbs that the bullet found in Patterson matches a bullet used in an unsolved murder of a man in Scottsdale, Arizona. On the ship, McGee finds a package in a airduct of a room. In the package, they find drugs. Tony tells McGee that Patterson was investigating a sailor named Zell. Later, Tony and McGee paint the interior of the ship. McGee criticizes Tony's technique, but Tony says that they are just pretending to paint. Zell arrives and enters the room. He looks for the package and is approached by McGee and Tony. Zell hits Tony, but is restrained by McGee.

Gibbs discovers that the picture was made by an artist named Dina Risi. Ziva tells Gibbs that the man that died in Scottsdale is a man named Hamilton Cougar. Abby tells Gibbs that she discovered that the package that Patterson used was originally sent to Patterson by Dina Risi.

Tony brings Zell to the station. Ziva tells Gibbs that Zell was on a frigate when the man in Scottsdale was killed. Zell tells Tony that he didn't know Patterson. McGee tells Gibbs that Zell was at an ATM a hundred of miles away from Patterson when he was murdered.

McGee tells Gibbs that Patterson wrote an email saying that Zell's commander Weiland obstructed his investigation. Tony tells Gibbs that Dina was recently found missing. McGee says that there is a location that matches the picture that Dina painted. Later, Ziva says that the man that died in Scottsdale was worth several million dollars. She says that the man was killed in a similar way that Patterson was killed. McGee loads up a satellite image that shows that there is someone in the cabin that Dina painted. Gibbs tells the team that they are going to Arizona.

In Arizona, Tony and Gibbs meet with Sheriff Boyd. Boyd says that Dina was a protester. Boyd looks at Tony's extravagant shoes and asks if he is going to a dance. Boyd tells him that the only way to Dina's cabin is by horse. While getting ready to leave, Tony tells Boyd that the last time he rode a horse was during a birthday party when he was young.

A man arrives at the headquarters and says that he is Lemming. McGee calls Gibbs and tells him that the man that they were working with is an impostor. Gibbs tells Tony that he can't believe he briefed an impostor on their case. Boyd helps Tony saddle up.

At the station, the team finds that Dina mixes her paint with the indigenous soil. Abby finds that the soil that Dina used is a radioactive substance used to make nuclear weapons. McGee tells Gibbs that they lifted a print from the fake Lemming and that he doesn't have a record. It starts to get dark and Boyd tells Gibbs and Tony that they should set up camp. At night, Gibbs gets a call from headquarters. Ziva and McGee tell Gibbs that if the fake Lemming is a hitman and he is probably heading there to silence Dina. Boyd tells Gibbs that Dina was fighting a company called Sunset Mining. In the morning, the team arrives at the cabin and are shot at by Dina. Dina says that she was supposed to meet with Patterson. Gibbs says that Patterson is dead. Dina says that she started to get sick after using the soil to paint. She says that there is a local mine that might contain billions of dollars worth of uranium. Gibbs tells the team that it is not safe at the cabin and that they should head back. McGee calls Gibbs and tells him that there is a helicopter heading their way. The fake Lemming flies over and shoots at Gibbs and the group with a semiautomatic rifle. The fake Lemming hits Boyd in the leg. Gibbs gets off his horse and shoots the pilot. The helicopter crashes into the mountain and explodes.

Back in the office, Tony looks at the car that he plans on buying after he receives his inheritance. McGee says that the man's real name is Jerome Sax. McGee says that Jerome is linked to four other unsolved murders. Tony gets a call and is told that his great uncle left all of his money to his cousin. Tony says that he owed his uncle money and that his cousin is calling to collect.

Knockout

Season 6
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Season Episode: 18

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Writer: Jesse Stern
Director: Tony Wharmby
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Chief Medical Examiner Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Lou Beatty Jr. (Issac Curtis), Ray Campbell (Tatum Dell), Oscar Torre (Xavier Rios), Khamani Griffin (Jared Vance), China Anne McClain (Delilah "Lily" Vance), Deprece Reddick (Spit), Amin Joseph (Campbell), Rochelle Aytes (Tara Kole), Obba Babatunde (Joe Banks), Paula Newsome (Jackie Vance)
Production Code: 131
Summary: The death of a boxer leads Vance to borrow the NCIS team and start investigating his death, while Gibbs digs into Vance's past.



A woman brings a man back to her place. She goes into the bathroom and the man sees a note that says 'Bend over and read this note.' The man bends over, is stabbed in the back and dragged away by a group of men. The woman opens the door and sees Vance. He tells her that she can go with him voluntarily, or he will carry her out.

Ducky tells Gibbs about Tyler, the man who was killed in the hotel room. Ducky says the body was found in Lake Michigan with multiple gunshot and stab wounds. Ducky tells Gibbs that Vance requested they solve the case.

Tony calls out to McGee and Ziva, then realizes that they are in Chicago working on the case. Tony then turns to the rest of the staff and asks if they found his wallet. Gibbs walks in and asks Tony if he heard from Tony or Ziva. Tony says McGee has set up a video conference for him and Vance.

Vance tells Tony that he wants him to question a woman named Tera that could have information about the case. He says that her safety may be compromised if it is known she is talking to the police. Vance then tells Gibbs that Tyler was his friend and he vanished over a week ago. Vance tells Gibbs that Tyler was a former Marine. He tells Gibbs he is going to work the case himself and asks Gibbs to sit this one out.

Vance, McGee and Ziva go to the hotel. Meanwhile, Gibbs tries to get information about the case from Abby. She tells him that she can't tell him about the five bullets that were removed from Tyler's body. She then says he was weighed down by weights and they should know how long he was in the lake. Gibbs comments that the murder wasn't a result of a mugging and Abby says she can't talk to him about it. She tells Gibbs to find something to do to take her mind off of things. Abby then closes herself in a soundproof room. He uses sign language to talk to her, then leaves.

Vance, Ziva and McGee go to a boxing gym and learn Tyler was revered by everyone there. Ziva notices some of the dumbbells are missing. Vance then gets into the ring and challenges a

man to a fight. Vance tells a kid named Spit that he used to carry the buckets like he did. Vance asks Ziva if she wants to fight, but Ziva declines. Vance then talks to Ike, an old friend and the owner of the gym. The two reminisce, then talk about Tyler. Ike says he doesn't think Tyler threw himself in the lake. Ike says he hadn't seen Tyler in a long time until he showed up a few weeks ago. Ike says he thinks one of the fighters named Banks got sick of Tyler being top dog. Vance tells Ike that he plans on luring Banks to him.

Tony picks up Tara and he asks if she had a relationship with their new director. He then realizes she might have heard him say nude director. She tells him that Tyler was her brother. She then asks if he lost something. They arrive at the headquarters and Tara says she saw Tyler a week ago at an exhibition game. She says she went with a man named Joe Banks. She says she works for Banks and does anything he asks. Tara then tells Tony she can help him. She says she sees a man in need, then Ziva walks in and tells Tony she is there to relieve him.

Ducky and Palmer examine the body. Gibbs walk in and Ducky tells him the time of death was more than four days ago. Gibbs tells them about Tyler's boxing record. Gibbs thinks something is missing and Ducky realizes Tyler has no military record. Ducky thinks Vance may have overstepped his authority.

Vance goes to Ducky and looks at Tyler's body. Ducky tells him that Tyler went down fighting. He says the powder burns on his hands indicate he was holding the barrel of the gun when it was fired at him. Ducky tells him about the following shots which killed him rapidly. Vance realizes the killer was untrained. Ducky asks about his relationship with Tyler. Vance asks what Gibbs's issue was and Ducky tells him that there is little evidence that Tyler was a marine. Vance tells Ducky not to believe everything he hears.

Vance visits Abby and Palmer and they tell him that Tyler was killed 11 days ago. Vance realizes that was fight night at the gym and that was the last night Ike saw Banks. Abby says she got organic material from Tyler's hands. She says it was a bird feather and it could have gotten lodged there when he was in the water. Vance asks if Abby has anything else to tell her and Abby says no.

Vance goes to Tara and she tells him that he doesn't have to protect her. Tara realizes he is using her as bait to lure Banks there. She then tells Vance that he abandoned her and Tyler. She asks if he would have even seen her again if the murder hadn't happened. Tara then tells Vance that she knows Banks had nothing to do with Tyler's death. Vance then says if she really knew Banks, she would have quit him years ago. Vance then asks Ziva to escort Tara to a safehouse.

Vance returns home and is greeted by his children. Vance gives his kids chocolates and boxing gloves. Vance kisses his wife and she asks why he didn't tell her that he had a friend coming over. Vance then sees Gibbs and scolds him for interfering with the case. Gibbs tells Vance that it is dangerous to use his position for a personal agenda. Vance asks Gibbs if he really has that big of an axe to grind. Gibbs demands to know who Tyler was to him. Vance's wife interrupts and tells Gibbs that he is staying for dinner. They sit down and Vance's wife tells Gibbs how she and Vance met. She then tells him about one of Vance's fights where they met. She says Vance detached his retina while training for a boxing match.

The team drives Tara to the safehouse. Tony finds his wallet and shows Tara that he is no longer in need. Tara notices a ring shape in his wallet and Tony grabs it back. Ziva notices a town car and tells Tara to get behind her.

Gibbs tells Vance he has a nice home and family. Vance tells him that his kids want to rescue a pitbull. Gibbs says they can be good dogs if you treat them right and don't lie to them. Vance tells Gibbs that Tyler was a Marine.

Tony and McGee watch as Banks walks into their office. Gibbs walks out and McGee escorts Banks into an interrogation room. Gibbs smacks Tony for talking nonsense. Tony enjoys the physical contact.

Vance walks into the interrogation room and introduces himself. Banks hears the name and tells Vance he could have been a big time fighter. Banks tells Vance he tried to retire, but he still holds his belt. Vance shows Banks a picture of Tyler and Banks says he heard about the tragedy. Vance then runs down a list of murders that Banks was accused of, but found not guilty. Vance tells Banks he represented everything that Tyler hated. Banks says Tara will never speak out against him. Vance then realizes Tara and Banks were married.

Vance yells at Tara for marrying Banks. She tells him that he changed. Vance asks what happened to Tyler and Tara says she doesn't know. She says Tyler was family and Banks wouldn't

have killed him. She says Tyler lost his drive. Vance thinks someone must have been behind him waiting to take over.

McGee, Tony, and Ziva look at what they think was Tyler's crime scene. Meanwhile, Gibbs tells Ducky about having dinner with Vance. Gibbs then asks Ducky to re-examine Tyler's body and look for evidence of surgery. Gibbs then goes to Vance and Vance tells him he owes Tyler his life. Gibbs tells Vance that the reason for Tyler's murder may not have been as complicated as he thinks. Vance then realizes that the feathers on the body were from a coat.

Vance walks into Abby's office and she freaks out. He asks if the feathers were from a coat and she says yes. Vance calls Ike and Ike sees Spit's dead body in his gym. Vance realizes that Spit was the murderer. He tells Gibbs that Spit was bragging about how he took down the champ. Vance tells Gibbs he is going back to Chicago for Tyler's funeral.

Tony asks how Tara can see through his disguise. She asks how long it has been since he's had a date. Tony admits it has been a long time. He says he's had a lot of dates, but he scares them all off. She tells him to open up and cry on someone's shoulder. She tells him the solution to his problem is easy and he just needs to pick the right woman. Ziva then asks if everything is okay and Tony tells her it's fine.

Vance speaks at Tyler's funeral service. Meanwhile, Ducky tells Gibbs that there was evidence that Tyler had surgery for a detached retina. Gibbs pulls out his file on Vance. He starts to open it, then decides not to break the seal.

Hide and Seek

Season 6

Episode Number: 132

Season Episode: 19

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Writer: Dan E. Fesman
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), David McCallum (Chief Medical Examiner Ducky Mallard), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs)
Guest Stars: Ronnie Gene Blevins (Ronald Nowakowski), Braeden Lemasters (Noah Taffet), Rebecca Creskoff (Hillary Taffet), Markus Flanagan (Navy Commander Mike Taffet), Tessa Munro (Travis's Mom), Carolyn McDermott (Zane's Mom), Rico Rodriguez (Travis Buckley), Kendall Ryan Sanders (Zane Wilson), Carlease Burke (D'Arcy McKinna), Amelia Bryn Smith (Rebecca Taffet)
Production Code: 132
Summary: When a kid discovers a weapon that someone was killed with, the entire family ends up under investigation, as the NCIS team has to find out who was the last one that used the weapon and who got shot with it.



A soldier named Mike talks to his family over an internet connection. When his wife sits down for her turn, the connection gets lost. She goes to her son Noah and finds him playing video games. She then notices that he is hiding something. She looks in his drawer and finds adult magazines. She keeps digging and then finds a gun.

Tony asks why glue doesn't stick to the inside of the bottle, but the team refuses to play his game. Tony then looks at what McGee is working on and sees that he is looking at a set of clubs to replace the one's of Ducky's that he destroyed. McGee places a bet, but loses. Abby walks in and tells the team that a gun was found on base housing. The team refuses to listen to her because she is not Gibbs. Abby tells them that it belongs to a kid and was recently fired, but the team is still uninterested. Gibbs walks in and tells the team to investigate. He adds that brain matter was found on the barrel of the gun.

The team goes to Noah's house and he tells them that he found the gun at the playground. His mom says Noah is obsessed with guns. Noah says he took the gun because he thought it was cool. Gibbs tells Noah that the gun was used to kill somebody. Tony and McGee look through Noah's room and find his magazines. Gibbs walks in and tells them it's time to leave. They then take Noah to the playground and he shows them where he found the gun. He points in the direction that the barrel was pointing when he found it. Noah's mom tells Gibbs that Noah has had to grow up fast since his dad is in Iraq. Gibbs then sees a couple of kids watching them. Noah's mom tells him that the kids are Noah's friends Travis and Zane. Gibbs sits with Zane and he tells him that Travis found the gun. McGee and Ziva talk to Travis, but he refuses to answer their questions. Tony tells Noah that the sediment in the gun doesn't match the residue of the park. Noah suggests that someone moved it. Zane finally admits to Gibbs that Travis found the gun next to a dead body.

Ziva and Tony walk through the park and Ziva tells him it reminds her of being a child. The boys take the detectives to a location that they believed was the place that they found the gun. McGee asks them to remember the position of the sun and landmarks. They then remember the exact location of the body. Abby calls Gibbs and he and Ziva leave Tony and McGee with the boys. Once the boys's mothers arrive, the group heads out to the location of the body.

Gibbs and Ziva return to headquarters and Abby tells them that she found out who fired the weapon. She pulls up a newspaper article about a postal worker getting shot. She says the gun was admitted as evidence in a trial four years ago. She says it was an NCIS case and they were the ones holding on to the gun.

McGee tells the kids scouting tips as they walk through the woods. They then find a pile of vomit and Travis remembers that it is where they threw up after they found the body. The boys run to the spot where they found the body and find that it is missing. McGee looks closer and finds a piece of an ear along with some maggots. Tony tells Gibbs about the ear and requests cadaver dogs. McGee looks closely at the scene to try to find tracks.

Ziva tells Gibbs that the gun was owned by a man named Peter and after the trial, they returned it to him. Peter said he didn't want to hold a murder weapon, so he pawned it. The pawn shop told her that they sold the gun. Abby tells Ziva to find out who bought the gun and Gibbs agrees.

McGee and Tony follow a trail. McGee looks up and sees birds circling. They keep walking and Tony finds a dead raccoon. McGee tells Tony to call for the dogs, but then Tony sees the dead body at the bottom of the hill. The body is then taken to Ducky. Gibbs walks in and says the victim is a man named Dylan. Ducky finds that Dylan had several self inflicted health problems as a result of drinking and drugs. He also says that Dylan took his own life. Ducky says the time of death was two or three weeks ago. He says he will be able to narrow the time down when the maggots turn into flies.

Gibbs goes to Abby and she is excited to be studying the maggots. Gibbs asks if she tested the bullet slug, but she says she hasn't because the gun is evil. Abby then loads and tests the gun. Meanwhile, McGee and Tony try to find a match to the tire tracks at the scene. Ziva walks in and announces that the gun was sold to a man named Fast Eddie. Tony says he is a character from a movie and they realize he used a false identity. They look through some photos and find Eddie's real name is Ronnie and he used the guns to rob some convenience stores.

Tony and Ziva question Ronnie about the gun. They show him a picture of Dylan and he says he knew him. He says Dylan stole his car and his girlfriend, but he wouldn't waste a bullet on him. He admits that he used the gun to rob some convenience stores, but he says he didn't kill Dylan. He says he ditched the gun a month ago in a dumpster. The detectives look at security footage and confirm that Dylan threw away the gun. They then see a fast food employee retrieve the gun from the dumpster.

Gibbs returns to Abby and finds her nurturing the maggots with classical music. Abby then tells Gibbs that the slug matches the gun, but the brain matter does not match Dylan. Gibbs realizes that there is another victim and Abby says the gun is bad news.

Gibbs tells the team that there is another victim. Tony says the employee was named Joey and he hasn't shown up for work in a couple of weeks. McGee looks up Joey's record and find that he and Dylan robbed some stores together. McGee finally finds a match, but only Abby is around for him to show that they match a red flyer wagon. McGee brings in all the wagons from base and they search them for blood. McGee finds one with blood and he sees that it belongs to Noah. Gibbs brings Noah into the station and interviews him while his mom watches. Gibbs asks Noah if he knows what forensics are and Noah says sort of. Gibbs tells Noah that his fingerprints were found on his wagon. Gibbs then says that they also found Dylan's blood and he knows he lied to him. Noah begins to cry and Gibbs asks who he is trying to protect. Noah finally admits that he killed Dylan because he picked on him and his friends. Noah says he found the gun, but he doesn't remember where. Gibbs asks what Dylan said right before he shot him. Noah says he doesn't remember. Gibbs tells him that he doesn't believe he killed Dylan. Gibbs tells Noah that he can tell he loves the person he is trying to protect. Noah then says he is protecting his dad and his dad was the one who killed Dylan.

Abby and Ducky watch as the maggot turns into a fly. Meanwhile, Tony and Gibbs talk to Noah's father over the internet. Tony says Noah said he killed Dylan. Mike admits he threatened Dylan because Dylan harassed his son. Mike says Dylan had it coming, but he didn't do it. They

ask why he asked for an earlier deployment. Mike says he did it for the money. Gibbs is then handed a note and walks out. Gibbs meets with Ducky and learns that Dylan was shot fifteen days ago, which was after Mike was deployed to Iraq.

The team tries to look for Joey, but they are unable to find him. McGee says he was unable to find a missing persons case to find out where the missing brain matter came from. McGee then finds that there were outgoing calls made from Joey's mother's house, but she is supposed to be deployed overseas. The team heads out to investigate. Tony and Ziva go to Joey's mother's house while Gibbs and McGee go to Noah's house. His mother says Noah is out, but they say they want to talk to her daughter Rebecca. Tony and Ziva look through the house and find Joey dead from a gunshot wound to his head. They call Gibbs and tell him that Joey is dead. Gibbs says he thinks it was suicide. Gibbs then asks Rebecca about Joey. Noah overhears that Joey is dead. Rebecca starts to cry and says that Joey was her best friend. She says Dylan convinced him to do drugs and commit the robberies. She says she tried to talk to Joey, but he couldn't see any other way out. She pulls out a note that Joey wrote. Gibbs asks if she blames Dylan for Joey's death. Rebecca says she does and she took the gun to him to show him what Joey used to kill himself. She says Dylan grabbed it and it just went off.

The team goes back to headquarters and Ziva comments that when two people fight over a gun one of them always ends up dead. Tony then announces that he bought a replacement set of clubs. He offers to sell them to McGee for a \$100 finder's fee. Gibbs points out that Tony just bought left handed clubs and he says Ducky is right handed. Ducky then walks in and tells McGee that they are even. He explains that he just destroyed a rare autographed album that belonged to McGee.

Dead Reckoning

Season 6
Episode Number: 133
Season Episode: 20

Originally aired: Tuesday March 31, 2009
Writer: Christopher J. Waild, David North, Reed Steiner
Director: Terrence O'Hara
Show Stars: Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), David McCallum (Chief Medical Examiner Ducky Mallard), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance)
Recurring Role: David Dayan Fisher (Trent Kort), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Christian Clemenson (Perry Sterling), Lisa Cohen (Nurse), James Ellis Lane (U.S. Marshal)
Production Code: 133
Summary: Gibbs has to put his personal feelings aside and work with Trent Kort who returns in order to track down a dangerous criminal.



Kort shoots and kills two men at a construction site. He places the gun in one of the man's hand then calls Gibbs. Later, Gibbs goes to the scene and meets with Kort. Kort tells Gibbs that the men shot each other. He says that the men belong to a criminal organization run by a man named Siravo. Gibbs tells Kort that he is lucky that the men shot each other. He looks at the man's gun and sees that he

is carrying a .45, Kort's weapon of choice. Kort says that he now carries a 9mm.

At headquarters, the team wonders where Gibbs is. McGee finds that Gibbs' cell phone signal is close by. Gibbs calls Tony and tells him to go to the construction site. At the scene, Kort tells the team that the men killed each other. Tony tells Kort that his story sounds phony. Tony tells Ziva that he doesn't trust Kort because he tried to blow up his car. Later, they see a sedan pull into the construction site. They surprise the man with their guns drawn. Kort wonders who the man is.

At the headquarters, the team learns that Siravo is engaged in criminal activities all over the world. They see that Siravo had a ship named the Borealis. Perry, the man from the construction site, is brought to the interrogation room. Vance is suspicious of Kort arriving at the end of the gun battle at the construction site.

Gibbs meets with Perry in the room. The man tells Gibbs that he is an accountant, that he got lost and entered the construction site to ask for directions. Gibbs asks Perry about Siravo and he admits that he is his accountant. Gibbs asks about the Borealis and Perry says that Siravo doesn't own it. Perry says that he moves Siravo's criminally obtained money into clean businesses. He asks Gibbs for immunity in exchange for his testimony. Vance tells Gibbs that he is going to contact the U.S. Attorney.

Abby tells Ducky that she found shell casings from a caliber that is different than the ones that were used to kill the men at the construction site. She tells Gibbs that she thinks that there was a third shooter. In the office, Tony tells Kort that he thinks that he is lying to the team. Gibbs and Tony enter the briefing room. Vance shows Tony and Gibbs video showing the Borealis being blown up by a bomb planted onboard.

Gibbs returns to the interrogation room and sees that Perry is taking drugs for his reflux disorder. Gibbs shows Perry the photos of the men that were killed at the construction site. Perry figures that Siravo was closing up shop and wanted him dead. Perry says that he knows how to get a hold of Victor Flores, Siravo's number two. Perry asks Gibbs if he knows Captains of Industry 3. McGee and Abby learn that Captains of Industry 3 is an online game that barely anyone plays. They figure that Perry used the game to communicate with other criminals.

Tony asks Kort why he thinks the men killed each other. Kort says that he thinks that the men had a secret lover suicide pact. Tony asks Kort why he dug up information on Vance. Kort tells him that he didn't have to read Vance's file. Tony, Perry and Ziva go to the safe house. Perry looks around and says that he doesn't like his surroundings. Perry says that he is hungry and tells Tony that he is on a macrobiotic diet.

McGee and Abby create avatars and play Captains of Industry 3. They figure that Perry and Flores use codes to communicate. They receive a message from Flores and learn that he wants to meet Perry at the park. Gibbs and Kort leave to meet Flores.

Back at the safe house, Ziva tells Perry that she can't believe that he never had a girlfriend. Perry says that he thought that making lots of money would help him meet women. Tony returns to the safe house with food. Perry tells Tony that he is out of pills and that he needs to take one with every meal.

Gibbs and Kort find Flores's car at the park. They discover Flores's dead body and another man who was also shot and killed. Later, the team goes to the scene to investigate. Ducky and Jimmy say that the men were killed less than two hours ago. Gibbs and Kort figure that the men killed each other. McGee tells Gibbs that both men worked for Siravo.

Later, Gibbs updates Vance about the case. Vance tells Gibbs that Kort was suspended by the CIA. Vance tells Gibbs that he knows that Kort gave him his file. Vance tells Gibbs to find out what Kort wants in exchange for helping him.

Back at the safe house, Tony tells Perry that he will get his immunity as soon as he talks to the U.S. Attorney and passes a polygraph. Tony tells Perry that he is going to spend the rest of his life moving from safe house to safe house.

Ducky and Jimmy talk about barbershop music. Jimmy says that he used to be a tenor in college. Ducky says that the unique characteristic about barbershop music is the fifth note, the sound that is made when the voices combine. Ducky says that they are missing the fifth note from the quartet of dead bodies that they found. Gibbs walks in and tells Ducky that he found horse manure on all of the dead men. Ducky tells Gibbs that he thinks that Siravo is staying at a place where there is horse manure.

Ziva walks down the street and sees two men walk toward Perry's safe house. Ziva calls Tony and tells him about the ambush. Ziva enters the safe house and shoots both men as they break into the apartment. Later, U.S. Marshalls arrive and take custody of Perry.

Abby tells McGee that she thinks that there is a leak. Gibbs arrives at the lab and show Abby and McGee the GPS log from Flores's car. Gibbs sees that the car stopped at a horse ranch. They figure that the ranch is Siravo's hideout. They go to the ranch and discover that Siravo is comatose under a nurse's care.

Back at headquarters, Tony and Ziva figure that someone created a criminal empire using Siravo's name. McGee discovers that Siravo became comatose after he got into a motorcycle accident. McGee sees that Siravo's money is being drained from his accounts. They figure that the money is being seized by the CIA. Abby calls Gibbs and tells him that she thinks that she aided in a murder. Abby says that the online game communication was sent through an open forum and that she accidentally ordered someone to kill Flores. Gibbs calls Kort and tells him that he knows that he drained Siravo's money. Gibbs and Tony head over to Kort at the U.S. Marshall office. Kort approaches one of the U.S. Marshalls and tells him that he wants to take custody of Perry. Perry takes a gun and shoots the Marshalls. He then shoots Kort in the shoulder. Perry tells Kort to give him his money back. Gibbs and Tony arrive, surround Perry and force him to surrender.

Back at the headquarters, the team figures that Perry used his power of attorney to run a criminal operation. Kort tells Vance and Gibbs that he wanted to capture Perry so he can get back into the CIA.

Toxic

Season 6

Episode Number: 134

Season Episode: 21

Originally aired: Tuesday April 7, 2009
Writer: Steven D. Binder
Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), David McCallum (Chief Medical Examiner Ducky Mallard)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Felice Heather Monteith (FBI Agent Samantha Morris), Mim Drew (Marie), Daniel Travis (Drew), Julie Claire (Lois Heller), Tavis Danz (Marine PFC Marco Riggs), Keith Burke (FBI Agent), Christopher Cousins (Jordan Jones), Peter Jason (Marine Sergeant Major Robert King), Marianne Muellerleile (Hannah Dunstan), Andrew Borba (Doctor Phillip Heller), John Brantley Cole Jr. (Orderly)
Production Code: 134
Summary: Abby has to take over a top secret government mission when their scientist goes missing, but soon realizes things may not be as they seem to be, while the rest of the team worries about Abby's safety.



Episode begins with a couple singing their baby to sleep. As soon as they close the baby's room door, they argue which gets louder and wakes the baby. They hear it cry through the baby monitor and then hear a scratchy man's voice say "Help me, please."

In the bullpen, Tony is spring cleaning and finds a back scratcher, which he immediately begins to use. Abby enters and

is upset about having a cavity and is on the way to her dentist. Gibbs enters and they take off for the crime scene. The victim is PFC Marco Riggs. His cell scanner is what the baby monitor picked up when he was trying to call 911 with it.

Ducky and Palmer arrive. They explain the traditional reasons for being unshod (Riggs is barefoot). The time of death appears to be 2 hours ago. They reveal two puncture marks on his neck. Palmer declares that Abby is going to love this. Abby comes out of the dentist office very happy and is met by the FBI. She is requested to come with them but can't tell her where.

At the bullpen we learn that Riggs was accused of stealing military equipment and selling it on the black market. He disappeared before he could be charged. He's been missing a week. Fornell has advised Gibbs that Abby has been picked up by FBI. He calls her while she is in the car. She advises there is a step-by-step guide for her lab. The punctures marks are from a stun gun and not a vampire bite. He suffered a stroke and took off his shoes because his feet felt like they were burning. Abby's replacement does not arrive until Monday. Tony and Tim get the job of handling the evidence in Abby's lab, while Ziva assists Gibbs in the field.

Abby is told she was "asked" to be there at the request of Dr. Philip Heller at Tarburst. Dr. Heller was working on a project that cannot be talked about, but Dr. Heller is no longer with the program. The lab is state-of-the-art. She is told by Dr. Jones that they do not know what he

was working on. A patient, Robert King, walks into the lab and starts chatting Abby up. Nurse Dunstan hauls him off.

Tony tries to break into the only locked drawer in Abby's lab. Palmer, McGee and DiNozzo make a mess of Abby's lab in attempting to run identify the DNA found under Riggs' fingernails. Abby calls in that she needs a background run and warns Tony that screwdrivers leave marks on locked drawers.

Ziva and Tony are back at the crime scene. Ziva babbles on about how much she enjoys the silence without Tony's incessant babbling. They find cement, rope and other items in the trunk of Riggs' car. It appears Riggs was the intended criminal rather than the intended victim. Abby tells Dr. Jones that she is done. Dr. Heller was attempting to hijack DNA's pathways in order to target a specific strand of a person's DNA. She is irritated that Jones already knew that. She threatens to storm out but he tells her that all the patients are going to die if she does not help.

McGee gets the results of the background check on Dr. Heller that Abby requested. They realize he has disappeared because someone was trying to kill him. And Abby has just taken his place. Dr. Jones pisses off Gibbs, who is concerned for Abby. About a year ago, the company became involved in the medical study of Afghanistan veterans. They discovered a number were suffering from a fatigue and got a contact to research the Afghanistan War Syndrome. They don't know where Dr. Heller is. Gibbs wants Abby returned for her own safety, but Abby refuses to leave. King returns to Abby's lab. He and Abby play a game of chess. Abby and he save the research bunnies.

The team continues their search for Dr. Heller. The FBI have had a BOLO out on him for a week. He is a biologist, not an MD. He had a gambling addiction but does not spend more than he earns. Gibbs and DiNozzo go to check out Dr. Heller's wife. She is having a garage sale and is hostile about him. He said he was going out for a walk and never came back. She is pissed. They trace flowers bought on Dr. Heller's credit card and Dr. Heller ran when they tried to get inside. He was carrying a stun gun.

Under Gibbs' interrogation, Heller says he was accosted by Riggs when he was talking a walk. Riggs stuck a gun in Heller's face, so Heller stunned him. He thought it was a simple mugging, so he did not call the police. Gibbs states he is not telling the truth and he did not go home because Heller knew it was not a mugging but a hit, and they knew where he lived. Heller admits they are trying to kill him because he discovered the truth: the tests were compartmentalized, so it took him a while to figure out that he was building a weapon, not working on a cure for the sick people.

Abby shows up at King's room ready to play chess, only to find an intern on his cell phone ("I don't know where they all came from, but suddenly there were about a dozen rabbits in the hall.") It appears King is dead. She tells his room that she did it - she isolated the "never mind. You would find that so boring. It's not a cure but maybe some day...." And then you hear Tony yell "Found her!" Ziva and Dr. Heller arrive to state the lab is secure.

Back at NCIS, Abby is outraged (Abby's Rule # 1: Do not lie to Abby). Someone has already downloaded all of Abby's research. Jones is gone; an aide said he left in a hurry. They put out a BOLO and coordinate with local LEOs (law enforcement officers). Abby explains that she created an enzyme to target the G cells of the sick soldier. He had Dr. Heller create an immunogen to kill off foreign matter. Together they can be used to target only the intended victim. "Heller made the bullet and I made the gun." He didn't build it to kill someone, he built it to sell it.

Abby's lab is a mess still, but she works away at her computer hacking into Nurse Dunstan's file as a hunch. She emails the file to Tony to send out a BOLO. She tells Gibbs she cannot find any sign that there ever was an Afghanistan War Syndrome. Someone in the lab was swapping out their diseased blood with health samples. Doctors had sick patients but normal test results, so they thought they had a war syndrome on their hands. Jones tricked the army into financial the project and Nurse Dunstan was on call every time there was a blood test.

Ziva calls that they found Nurse Dunstan's body. Down in autopsy we discover she was strangled. McGee advises Abby picked up a data fetch from Jones' smart phone; she got an airline and a flight number. Abby is outraged that Jones is left to sit: "Sit!?! He gets a chair!?!". Gibbs enters the interrogation room and Jones offers to make a deal to cooperate. He is surprised when Gibbs mentions a killing. He is not selling the research, he's running because he was embezzling the funds. Abby's success would mean a GOA audit and he would be found out. Abby bursts in and accuses him of falsifying medical records, like King's. He does not know King and he knows

every patient in that hospital. Gibbs only response is "Find him."

We see King at a laptop typing a message that says "I have the package. Auction starts at noon." Gibbs and Abby confront him with Tony and Tim as backup. In response to his question "What did I do wrong?" he learns he was playing with the wrong forensic scientist: fingerprints and unencrypted emails got him.

McGee gets off the elevator and Tony is puzzled looking at Abby but not approaching her or her lab. They both had gotten an email from Gibbs to meet them down in the lab. It is not until they step into the lab and the door shuts and locks behind them that they realize Gibbs doesn't use email. Palmer greets them cheerfully from the floor, which he has been scrubbing clean. They each have cleaning buckets with supplies and their names on them. Abby just smiles at them and waves.

Legend (1)

Season 6
Episode Number: 135
Season Episode: 22

Originally aired: Tuesday April 28, 2009
Writer: Shane Brennan
Director: Tony Wharmby
Show Stars: Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), David McCallum (Chief Medical Examiner Ducky Mallard), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs)
Guest Stars: Michael Bolus (Max Talia), Jhon Doria (Stephano Kass), Liisa Evastina (Young Russian Woman), Chris O'Donnell (Special Agent G. Callen), Barrett Foa (Tech Operator Eric Beal), Merik Tadros (Michael Rivkin), Brian Avers (Mattie Ray), Brian Burnett (Benji Kass), Peter Cambor (Operational Psychologist Nate Getz), Daniela Ruah (Special Agent Kensi Blye), LL Cool J (Special Agent Sam Hanna), Louise Lombard (Special Agent Lara Macy)
Production Code: 135
Summary: The team heads to LA to work with the team there to solve a murder investigation, which soon turns into something bigger. Meanwhile, Tony begins snooping into Ziva's private life.



In L.A. NCIS agents Sam and Kensi follow a man carrying a briefcase full of cash walking down the street. The man is shot at and Kensi is almost hit by a car. The man drops the case and escapes. Tony answers Ziva's phone and hears a man with a deep voice. Ziva takes the phone and talks to the man in Hebrew. Gibbs tells the team that they have to investigate the death of a Marine. They go to a

construction site and find a dead man suspended in the air by ropes tied to all of his limbs. They see that the Marine is named Nick Chandler. They see that Chandler arrived from Los Angeles that morning. They also see that Chandler's left shoe is missing. Ducky arrives and sees the Chandler was subjected to electrocution torture before he died.

At headquarters, Ziva finds that Chandler rented a car, but didn't pick it up. They figure that someone picked up Chandler at the airport. McGee sees that another NCIS team put out a BOLO for Chandler.

Vance shows Gibbs the tape of when Chandler was shot at in L.A. He tells Gibbs that Chandler was on the way to make a cash drop to a group of weapons dealers. He says that Chandler panicked and went to D.C. to see his mother. Gibbs tells Vance that the government organization in charge of Chandler's case is the Office of Special Projects led by Lara Macy. Gibbs says that Macy might have a problem working with him. Gibbs tells McGee to fly with him to L.A. Tony asks McGee what he is going to talk to Gibbs about during the 5 hour plane ride. He suggests that he shouldn't mention divorce or marriage. Gibbs goes to the Abby's lab. She tells Gibbs that Macy wants her to send all of her findings about Chandler. Abby sees that Gibbs knows Macy. Abby tells Gibbs that she is worried because the last time the team went to L.A., they lost a member.

Tony calls Ziva and she tells him that she is following a lead and can't talk. Meanwhile, Ziva has lunch with a man named Michael (the same man we saw was in the Morocco bar when it exploded - 6.0 Last Man Standing). He grabs Ziva's hand and tells her that her father sends her his love. McGee and Gibbs arrive at a warehouse holding the offices of the OSP.

Agent Kensi shows them into the office. Gibbs says that he slept during the entire flight. Gibbs tells Kensi that he has been at the office before. Gibbs enters the office and sees that Macy is holding a conference with Vance on a big screen. Macy asks Gibbs if he still drinks coffee. She gives Gibbs the file on Chandler. Gibbs tells Macy that he thinks her team was spotted by the men that Chandler was supposed to meet. Macy says that Chandler was supposed to meet with a suspected arms dealer named Liam. Macy tells Gibbs to let her do the job. Nate, the OSP's operational psychologist tells Macy that Gibbs doesn't trust her. Macy tells Nate to find Callen.

Gibbs calls Tony and asks if he spotted anyone picking up Chandler at the airport. Tony says that Chandler got lost in the crowd. Gibbs tells McGee to stay at OSP HQ while he visits a friend. Later, Gibbs meets with Agent Callen. Callen asks him if he is done building his boat. He asks Gibbs if he saw Macy and he says that he did. Callen sees a Russian girl approach and pretends that he is a Russian mobster. He tells Gibbs that he is putting up the act because she is his neighbor and he wants her to be scared of him so she doesn't look into his life.

Macy calls Callen and tells him that they have him on camera and microphone. Callen enters a cafe and meets with a man named Talia.

Callen pretends that he is a weapons dealer. Talia says that he has a client that wants to purchase big toys. Callen asks Talia if he is wired. Talia asks the same question. Callen asks him when he wants to meet. Talia says the next day, but Callen says that he can't do it.

Talia gets a message from a man sitting across the cafe that says that Callen is a cop. Talia tells Callen to buzz off. At the OSP headquarters, Mike the technician tells the team that they intercepted the call that Talia made in the cafe. They listen to the call and hear that he is speaking to a man named Liam. They figure that Talia is connected to Chandler's case.

Macy tells Sam to give Gibbs and McGee a full brief on the case. Callen asks Macy what happened between her and Gibbs. She says that she doesn't want to talk about it. Callen says that he will just ask Gibbs about them.

Tony goes to Ducky's lab. He sees that Tony wants to talk about personal things. Tony says that he is concerned about Ziva and asks him if he knows about her work in Israel. Ducky says that Ziva was on a mission and almost died. He says that he saw a news story of a bombing with Ziva. Ducky says that Abby found skin cells on the rope. He says that Chandler's murderer probably has a bad rope burn. Tony looks at the tape and sees the man that Ziva has a picture of. Tony has Abby run facial recognition software on the man and learns that the man is named Michael.

Sam, Gibbs, and McGee look over the tape of the shooting. They pull up an ATM video and find the image of the man that shot at Chandler in L.A. Sam sends the photo of the man to Abby. Ziva does research and learns about a case with a similar method of murder as Chandler. They go to a construction site and examine a truck. Two men, the Kass brothers, ask them what they want. Ziva sees Chandler's missing shoe and the brothers realize that they have been caught. One of the brothers run up a scaffolding, slips and grabs on a pole. Tony sees that the man has a rope burn. The man tells Tony that he killed Chandler as a favor for a man named Liam.

The OSP sees that Talia is on the phone. He asks the man how he knew Callen was a cop. The man asks Talia how he got his number. Talia says that he got it from the waitress after he gave it to her. Talia asks Matty, the man on the phone, if he wants to run guns for him. He tells him to meet him downtown. The OSP stakes out a parking garage and see Talia and Matty. They see an SUV pull up that they recognize as belonging to Liam. They see that Liam has a gun. The team surround the men and kill the dealers in the SUV. Gibbs learns that Matty is actually an undercover OSP agent. They arrest Talia. They find that the men are staying at a hotel. They go to the building and see that the room is full of weapons and cash. They return to the base and learn that Liam was a weapons dealer. Nate says that Liam built up his reputation without anyone knowing his true identity (the full fake life and history that can stand up to scrutiny is a "legend", a name coined in Germany during the cold war). They instruct Callen to pose as Liam.

Abby tells Tony that Michael Rivkin is connected with the head of the Mossad, Ziva's dad. Tony tells Abby to never tell Ziva what they now know. Later, Tony meets up with Ziva and learns that Michael has left Washington, D.C. It is a very uncomfortable elevator ride for Ziva, during

which she lies by insinuating that Micheal is not (and has not been) in DC.

Meanwhile, Callen gets a knock on his door when he is posing as Liam. Michael enters the room, thinks that Callen is Liam and tells him that he is glad to finally be able to meet him. To Be Continued is displayed.

Legend (2)

Season 6
Episode Number: 136
Season Episode: 23

Originally aired: Tuesday May 5, 2009
Writer: Shane Brennan
Director: James Whitmore Jr.
Show Stars: Cote de Pablo (Mossad Agent Ziva David), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), David McCallum (Chief Medical Examiner Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo)
Guest Stars: Merik Tadros (Michael Rivkin), Dilshad Vadsaria (Shakira Zayd), Nick E Tarabay (Haziq Khaleel), Joseph Eid (Jumah), Jill Czarnowski (MTAC Technician), Emiliano Torres (Hood #1), Patrick Wolff (Hood #2), Liisa Evastina (Young Russian Woman), Chris O'Donnell (Special Agent G. Callen), Daniela Ruah (Special Agent Kensi Blye), Peter Cambor (Operational Psychologist Nate Getz), Louise Lombard (Special Agent Lara Macy), LL Cool J (Special Agent Sam Hanna)
Production Code: 136
Summary: In Los Angeles, Gibbs and McGee continue working with the NCIS division in order to track a terrorist cell. Agent Callen goes undercover, while a psychologist uncovers the truth about the relationship between Gibbs and Agent Macy. Meanwhile, Tony fears that Ziva may not be loyal to NCIS.



Continue from the previous episode. Callen confirms he has the passports and everything Michael wants right here. LA NCIS does a face search on Michael, but before they get the results Michael pulls a gun on Callen, demanding "who are you?" Macy panics and sends in the support agents. Callen is frustrated because he knows Michael was not going to shoot, which Michael confirms. Gibbs just smiles (like he knew Macy would screw up). The on-site psych, Nate, confirms Michael was "probably" not going to shoot. McGee is surprised when the ID of Michael pops up in 6 seconds. Michael is

cocky and announces he is Mossad. Shoulders and faces fall all around in the OSP bullpen. Michael states Ziva David can verify him. (Episode credits play)

Tony enters the DC bullpen and is told by Ziva that Gibbs wants them in MTAC. Ziva identifies Michael as Mossad but denies having any other information on him. Michael's cover is as an Israeli banker. He supposedly arrived 3 days ago to track down a terrorist cell. Michael is posing as Nick Quaderi, who is in bed - killed by Michael before he said any more than the weapons are here. One of the others is named Haziq, address unknown. Macy reminds Michael that foreign intel agencies are not authorized to act within US borders - go home! With a GPS tracker on his rental, Michael is sent on his way - with agent Renko (spelling?) tailing.

Gibbs tells Macy he trusts Ziva with his life. She tells Gibbs not to judge on 18 years ago. He asks her quietly "what'd you find?" She looks him straight on but does not answer. He walks

away and we see Nate watching the interaction. Before Nate can follow her, McGee stops him to summarize: Mossad gets a lead in Yemen about a cell in LA, sends Michael to eliminate, kills Quaderi after he learns he is meeting with an arms dealer named Liam - the only problem is that we are hunting the same terrorist cell. Nate advises that terrorist cells are like families: close knit, always checking on each other. If they lose contact with one of their own, it may trigger them to step up the attack. Next move is to find Haziq - before he panics. Nate thinks Michael knows the IDs of the rest of the cell. (We don't.)

Nate follows Macy, who tells him no one knows him but he knows everyone. "Not Gibbs" is his reply. "So you go back 18 years?" he asks. She turns and looks at him, to which he replies, "I wasn't listening." Pause. "Odd word, occasional phrase." She almost smiles, then begins: Gibbs was a gunnery sergeant. She was a green, Lt MP working a JAG man murder investigation. She was lead investigator. Gibbs was the suspect.

Search finds apartment (apt) rental agreement for Quaderi, no photo, no ID. Gibbs reads McGee as having a concern ("You got something else?"), but McGee says no. He returns to the Michael database hit and finds that Abby did the last search. Gibbs meets up at the marina with Renko, watching Michael having coffee on a restaurant terrace. Gibbs tells Renko to sand with the grain of the wood. Sam and Callen are approaching Nick Quaderi's apt. Sure 'nuf he's dead in bed. Stabbed. Sam downloads from Quaderi's laptop. He steps into the bedroom and closes the door when they hear keys in the door. Callen immediately acts like he is on his cell phone with someone. Quaderi's girlfriend ("sort of"), Shakira, enters and demands to know who Callen is. He introduces himself as Liam, a friend of Nick who gave him a key and is supposed to meet him here. Sam calls Callen's cell. Callen pretends it's Nick. She tells him they are to meet him at Haziq's. She knows where it is and will drive. Sam let's Macy know Callen is back in the game.

At Haziq's autobody shop, Haziq is suspicious but lets them in. Sam has followed and calls for backup. Cameron busts her front headlight so she can plant a camera at the shop. Callen hands over his gun and cell, which Haziq tosses aside (it just happens to land face out). Haziq asks where Rafi is, but Shakira does not know. Meanwhile at OSP McGee handles the high-tech display like a pro: "sweet", he declares. OSP activates the cell and has instant camera and audio (with Sam interpreting what Haziq is saying on his cell phone conversation. McKenzie shows up and plants the camera just inside the door.

McGee traces Haziq's call. It is from Nasim Boutros at the marina hotel Michael is staking out. Nasim is on his way home, where Michael awaits him. Alert Gibbs, who is watching Michael spot someone and get up from his table. Macy tells Gibbs Vance has cleared a Visa warrant against Michael - get him. They get upstairs too late. Michael is gone and Nasim is shot dead.

Back at the shop, the boys are panicking. Callen is on the couch talking with Shakira, who knows nothing. Haziq demands delivery in 1 hour and gives Callen his cell. He tells Sam to bring the suitcases in 1 hour. Nothing on finding Michael again yet.

McGee calls Abby, who panics that he will know she is at his desk and what she has done. (She has overly decorated his desk with "miss you" items, since she can't do Gibbs' desk?) Tony assures her, "McGenious is smart, but he doesn't know everything." Abby gives herself away immediately, but he gets down to business immediately. She gives the phone to Tony, who updates Tony about Rifkin. He cuts Tim off about probing Ziva, but clearly intends to do so himself. Deep contemplation moment with Tony.

Macy sums it up: Nick Quaderi dead, killed by Rifkin; only know he has a girlfriend, Shakira, who has a brother Rafi Zayd (no photo or info). Nasim Boutros, stabbed by Rifkin. Jumah, who works at the body shop. And Haziq Khaleel, who owns the body shop. men born outside the US, no criminal records, on no watch lists. "A classic sleeper cell", pipes Nate, "Rifkin's making sure none of them wake up." Gibbs adds, "5 people. 4 passports. 4 suitcases. Something's missing." "No. 5 is the handler" opines Macy. We're missing something or someone.

Ziva enters the bullpen she and Tony exchange terse conversation. She is made at him for not believing she would tell the truth. "Maybe you should have told them more? Like how well you know him?" he asks. He lets her know she saw him 3 days ago in DC and wonders why she did not tell that. He denies being jealous and gets angry while explaining Rifkin's interference with NCIS doing their job. She defends Rifkin. She denies knowing where to find him, admits she would not tell Tony, but would tell Gibbs.

Back on the couch, Shakira indicates that Rafi dragged Nick into it. She shows a cell phone picture of Rafi - that is who they thought was Nick, dead in bed. She shows the only photo she has

of Nick, who is Michael. Callen tries to convince Shaqira to call Nick at an alternative number. She declares she is leaving but Haziq slaps her back to the couch. She gives Callen "Nick's" alternate cell number. Callen yells the info to Haziq so OSP gets the info. They immediately trace the cell to find Michael is almost at the shop. Macy, nervous, orders Sam in with his team. She wants Haziq alive, so even though Sam is shot at by Haziq, Sam only shoots Haziq arm and leg. Rifkin is met in the alley by Gibbs, who tells him to leave. Gibbs states that Ziva works for him, to which Michael only says "Shalom."

Back at the OSP bullpen everyone is saying their good-bys to Gibbs and McGee. Macy is watching from above. Callen passes McGee a Sniper Monthly magazine indicating "it always works for me." Macy walks back into her office. Nate follows them down in the elevator and asks to speak privately with Gibbs. He tells Gibbs "a story: about a young Lt 18 years ago, who investigated a murder. A marine gunnery Sgt had taken out a Mexican drug dealer had killed the Sgt's family. The Lt did not hold back; stated he just wanted closure for his wife and daughter to rest in peace. She got all the evidence together and buried it. Decided it was a just killing. Nate guesses that the guy never knew she had been protecting him all of these years. (Part of this story is told in 6.15 Deliverance. Now we know the "why" of Columbia.) Gibbs says nothing, but pauses at the car, nods at the camera, smiles and look away, knowing Macy is watching him. Macy is pleased.

Sam and Callen are in a car. Callen is contemplative. He feels like someone is watching him. He gets out of the car, exchanges looks with the Russian girl, who looks up the street. A van pulls through the corner and guns Callen down as he and the girl are smiling at each other. She just turns and walks away while Sam runs to him. Callen is sll alive, barely.

At the DC bullpen, Abby tells Tony that Rifkin flew out of LA today, unescorted. Destination: Tel Aviv, with a stopover in DC. Cut to him sleeping in bed next to Ziva, who is wide awake and worrying.

Semper Fidelis

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Recurring Role: Joe Spano (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell)
Guest Stars: John Wickersham (ICE Agent Thomas Sherman), Merik Tadros (Michael Rivkin), Steven M. Gagnon (CIA Director Roger Kirkwood), Tom Kemp (Assistant Secretary of ICE Len Gregory), William Allen Young (FBI Director Barry Hutchins), Jaime Murray (ICE Agent Julia Foster-Yates), Jude Ciccolella (Secretary of the Navy Phillip Davenport)
Production Code: 137
Summary: When an ICE agent is murdered after a security breach at the SecNav's residence, the NCIS team is forced to work with the FBI and the ICE in order to solve the murder. Meanwhile, Tony faces Rivkin.



In the morning, Tony, McGee, and Ziva meet outside. The dead agent is ICE – Immigration-Customs Enforcement. FBI has jurisdiction in the death of a federal agent. Tony compares the arrival of FBI with clowns and starts a comparison of the situation with a three-ring circus, and then upon Ducky's arrival goes into junior ringmaster mode. (riding a motorcycle looks cool and all, but nobody messes

with the man driving an elephant). Ziva mentions the poker game, and McGee says he would like to have been a fly on the wall during the poker game in order to eavesdrop.

Gibbs sees Ducky and tells SecNav, who assigns the investigation to NCIS, supported by FBI and ICE. He sends CIA home, saying "my house, my rules." Fornell introduces Agent Julia Foster-Yates to Gibbs. She says that she was assigned the protection detail for the poker game.

Outside, Tony discovers the bitten off tongue of Agent Sherman. Jules arrives and says that he was flailing. Ducky discovers a bruise on the side of his neck, showing that he was attacked. Jules doubts this to be true since the security web was her design and was "air tight."

Inside, McGee informs Gibbs and Fornell that the surveillance cameras showed the patio was a blind spot. Fornell says the heads of these agencies get together a couple of times a year. They rotate responsibilities. Gibbs is bothered by the fact that NCIS was not represented.

Outside, Ducky discovers a bug that had been planted on the window and dislodged by Agent Sherman. Ziva reports to Gibbs that the bug was damaged. Jules takes the bug and steps on it, saying, "It's best not to take any chances."

Act Two Abby complains to McGee about "the bug stomp" since she will have to put it together before she can track it. McGee tells her that Jules stomped it. Abby hopes to have a word with "Jules." McGee would like to be there for that. Abby looks at the poker hands and chips in evidence and recognizes that they weren't really playing well.

In Vance's office, Vance, Fornell and Gibbs talk about the poker game and the fact that Vance was not there. Vance says he "cleaned the all out" last month. Ducky is working on the autopsy. Ziva and Tony are following up on the protection detail and scouring the grounds with Agent Foster-Yates.

At SecNav's home, Ziva leads Tony and Jules as she follows a trail of heavy footfalls. Tony and Jules chat about team dynamics. Meanwhile, Ziva climbs a tree where branches have been cleared out. She speculates that when the protection detail went in toward the house, the killer went up and over the fence and out the gate. Ziva's phone rings. McGee calls to tell them that Gibbs wants them to return to the office. Tony questions why McGee didn't call him first. When he checks his cell phone, he discovers he doesn't have a signal. Only Ziva, in the tree, has a signal on her phone.

In Autopsy, Ducky demonstrates to/on Fornell how the choke hold on Sherman would have caused him to blackout. However, in the autopsy, Ducky found that Sherman had a stroke and that the choke hold was not meant to be fatal. Fornell gives Ducky a wide birth when he departs.

In the elevator, Jules flirts with Tony. Ziva questions Jules about why an NCIS agent wasn't tasked with his protection. She reaches for the elevator switch and together Tony and Ziva confront Jules. She says she was instructed not to reveal any details. This was an intelligence summit and she didn't know the subject, but whatever it was, someone was willing to kill to find out.

Act Three Gibbs and Fornell arrive in the squadroom to talk to Jules. Gibbs orders her to tell what she knows about the op. When her perimeter design is questioned, McGee offers to take the surveillance footage and the position reports to create an animated model. Jules and McGee are assigned the task. Ziva and Tony are assigned background of the agents and investigating known operatives in the area. The knowing look between Ziva and Tony implies that Ziva's friend, Michael Rivkin, is on Tony's short list.

Gibbs and Fornell enter Vance's office to find SecNav there with Vance. SecNav briefs them. Reminding them of what happened 8 years before, at the start of a new president's administration, SecNav says that 9-11 happened because agencies didn't work together. Once again, they've let too many foreign nationals through the borders. Mossad's Rivkin is one mentioned specifically. The poker game has two purposes: to decrease the chatter leading up to the game, and to make it easier for the agency heads to talk. Gibbs points out that NCIS wasn't represented. Too quickly, SecNav replies, "I was there." Gibbs asks about the survivor from the cell in California, Haziq Khaleel. (See 6.22-6.23 Legend)Vance says that he gave up his handler, Abin Tabal. (This is new name to us.) No word on Callen's shooter. Gibbs reports that Callen is still critical. Fornell says that he has an Abin Tabal on the FBI watch list in DC. SecNav says to find him.

Tony and Ziva report to Fornell what they have discovered about Tabal. Ziva gets a phone call from Rivkin. Fornell says that Tabal must run between the African camps and the sleeper cells, then orders Tony to "find the guy." Tony isn't happy taking orders from someone who believed when he (Tony) was framed for murder. Ziva leaves to meet Rivkin, without telling she was doing so - in fact, she is speaking in Hebrew to hide it. Tony looks up on the internet a translation of what Ziva said in Hebrew on the phone.

In Abby's lab, McGee and Jules work on the animation of the perimeter. They look at the surveillance camera on the access road footage. Jules puts her hand on McGee's and thanks him for coming to her rescue. Abby is not happy about the flirting and confronts Jules about the bug. When Jules finds out that Abby can reconstruct the bug, she boldly says, "What's the problem?" Abby asks about her training in martial arts. Jules loves Muay Thai. Abby realizes that she's beaten, turns to McGee and says, "And in my own lab." Jules and McGee discover that a car had been circling the SecNavs house that night. After running the plates, McGee and Jules leave to report to Gibbs. Gibbs confronts Vance with the fact that he was the one circling SecNav's house. Gibbs tells him that he's tired of having information withheld. Vance agrees. He says that Dir. Hutchins (FBI) had let word of the game slip before he found out that Vance wasn't invited. He wasn't invited because they were meeting to talk about him.

Ziva and Rivkin meet at an open-air cafe. Rivkin is drinking. Tony calls Ziva and lies that he has found Tabal. She leaves the cafe. Tony arrives at the table with Rivkin's drink.

Act Four Tony and Rivkin toss insults at each other. Tony orders Rivkin out of town. Rivkin says that Tony is like a brother to Ziva and that Tony can't question Ziva's feeling for Rivkin. Tony once again repeats his order for Rivkin to get out of town.

Ziva arrives at NCIS headquarters to find McGee and Jules going over the perimeter. It's a sophisticated pattern, but there is a hole in the net. Jules's explanation is that it was an error. Fornell tries to comfort Jules by saying, "Nobody's perfect." Gibbs asks Ziva about the backgrounds. She gives him what she has so far. Jules needs to check in with her boss. McGee gets a call from Abby. She needs his help with the bug. Gibbs asks Fornell if he will vouch for "the ICE princess." Fornell answers that she's cold on the outside, "but when she opens up she's full of beans, molten cheese, like a microwave burrito."

At Tony's desk, Ziva finds a note in Tony's trash, it's the translation of what she said on the phone—the location of the cafe where she met Rivkin. In Abby's lab, Abby tells McGee that when the bug is working properly, it emits a signal that can piggy-back on any available internet connection and then upload the audio to a live stream on a private website. McGee recognizes that Abby didn't really need his help, and asks her if she's feeling neglected. She says she's not feeling neglected, but didn't like watching him flirt with Jules. But, when he says that she's out of his league anyway, Abby says, "No, she's not."

Tony arrives back at NCIS and Ziva confronts him in his lie. Tony says that Rivkin was in LA on business just like he is in DC on business. Ziva said she would have introduced him if he'd have asked. Tony replies that he was just doing his job. Gibbs has told him to leave, he's told him to leave. Maybe Ziva should ask him to leave. Ziva defends Rivkin. Jules walks up and asks for the location of the conference room. Tony escorts her. In the conference room, Jules reports to Gibbs and Fornell on the status of the search for Tabal. Fornell and Gibbs have been looking over the results of the interviews with her team on the op. Sherman had more experience and had a problem taking orders from a women with less seniority. Fornell asked about her feelings about Sherman. Gibbs points out that he was a thorn in her side. Jules stops them before they go any further and explains that she'd been covering for Sherman. He was out of position. He wasn't supposed to be on the patio. He's dead for the same reason that he didn't get the promotion. He didn't operate as part of the team. Gibbs gets a call. They have a lead on Tabal. At Tabal's apartment, they find schematics of SecNav's house and the body of Abin Tabal.

Act Five In autopsy, Ducky has determined that Tabal bit down on a suicide capsule. Ducky says that if Tabal had decided that he's a threat to the cause, it fits the psychology to kill himself. Tabal has wiped his computer, but Abby is sifting through it. She's already connected the laptop to the electronics in the bug. "Smoking Gun. Case Closed. Write it up."

In the squadroom, Jules tells the team that it's been good working with them. McGee offers to walk her out. When McGee asks what Gibbs and Fornell had to say, she tells McGee that they were apologizing to her for implying that she might have killed Sherman. McGee is shocked that they would apologize. He says it would take a while to explain the significance. She responds that he can explain it to her because she has no plans. Ziva says good night to Tony and leaves. Gibbs reminds Tony of rule number 11: when the job is done, walk away. Tony's not happy with the way the case closed. When Gibbs asks what is on his mind, Tony tells him that Rivkin is in town, with Ziva. Both are bothered that Rivkin is in town. Gibbs tells Tony to stay on him.

Later, in Gibbs's basement, SecNav comes to talk, bearing the bottle of bourbon that Gibbs gave him. SecNav talks about his brother, that he preferred psychological warfare. He asks why he's been digging dirt on Vance, if it was to get closer to him. Gibbs hands SecNav Vance's unopened CIA file, and says that he never asked for it. SecNav opens it. He finds a copy of the same reference that Vance shredded in "Judgement Day." He wonders how it keeps coming out in the open and that it's not even real.

In Abby's lab, Abby and Tony look at Tabal's laptop. While the rest of the laptop has been wiped, he didn't erase the network connections, so they can still see where he was connected to the internet. One of the addresses is Ziva's apartment.

Ziva, in her car, tries to call Hadar.

In Gibbs's basement, SecNav tries to assure Gibbs that he trusts Vance and that he knows his background. Gibbs says that at the poker game they were discussing how to use Vance. SecNav assures Gibbs that he's not the only one looking after the integrity of NCIS. He proceeds to tell Gibbs that Vance will be heading up a major operation against Mossad. Part of the problem is that the daughter of the Director of Mossad is part of NCIS. SecNav tells Gibbs that he and Vance have to play nice. He doesn't have to trust him, just follow him. Tony arrives at Ziva's apartment to find Rivkin. Rivkin thinks Tony might have come to comfort Ziva after Rivkin's departure. Tony tells him he's there on a case. That Tabal's laptop was connected to Ziva's home account. Rivkin

asks if he was there to question Ziva about this connection. Tony replies that he was until Rivkin opened the door. Tony goes to arrest Rivkin in the deaths of Abin Tabal and Agent Sherman. Rivkin attacks him. They struggle. Rivkin lands on a glass table and is impaled by a shard of glass. Tony crawls to his gun. Rivkin takes out the glass shard and moves to attack Tony. Tony fires. Ziva enters the apartment.

Aliyah

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Recurring Role:	Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars:	Inger Tudor (Doctor Sandra Holdren), Omid Abtahi (Salim), Merik Tadros (Michael Rivkin), Arnold Vosloo (Mossad Officer Amit Hadar), Michael Nouri (Mossad Director Eli David)
Production Code:	138
Summary:	After Tony's confrontation with Rivkin, the NCIS team flies to Israel for a final showdown, where they aren't exactly welcome by Ziva's father, the head of Mossad. Gibbs has to make a tough choice as the situation gets even more complicated.



We see Ziva driving to her apartment, calling someone and asking for extraction . When she arrives at her apartment, she sees Tony's car and 2 shims fighting in her apartment (Tony & Rivkin). When she enters her apartment, she hears 3 shots and sees Tony lying on the floor, holding a gun, with a dying Rivkin in the background. Ziva tries to reanimate Rivkin, and screams to Tony that he should call

an ambulance, now! Tony glares back.

Opening credits

The hospital; Ziva waits in the corridor; Tony is there too but he is not with her. Gibbs arrives and Tony justifies himself to Gibbs, who tells him to write it up. Ziva reports Rivkin is dead and she will be submitting an IA report.

McGee is talking to Gibbs on the way to the apartment and saying he can't believe he is going to see Ziva's new apartment; he tells Gibbs he has seen Tony rummaging in Ziva's desk. As they are talking about possible Mossad reprisals, on the way from the car, Ziva's apartment blows up.

It's doubly a crime scene now, and Gibbs and McGee are going through it McGee finds a hidden laptop, but it is fire-damaged. Gibbs finds cuts in the gas pipes, but no-one smelled gas; they find what might be the trigger.

Ziva is in autopsy, saying farewell to Rivkin. Ducky enters and asks about what Jewish rituals might be appropriate, but Ziva brushes it off. Rituals only work for those that need them.

Gibbs asks McGee for a retrospective trace on a cellphone, Ziva's....

Now Gibbs and Ziva have a conversation; Gibbs tells Ziva about her apartment; Ziva is defensive. In a fatherly way, Gibbs tells her that this is her home, but she denies it.

Vance is interviewing Tony; Tony says he wanted to talk to Ziva because he wanted to protect her (Rivkin being the bad guy, not Ziva the traitor.)

Gibbs is down in autopsy, where Ducky confirms Tony's view of events; both here and in the Vance-Tony interview, everyone is puzzled how Tony won. But then Gibbs come up; the autopsy shows that Rivkin was drunk; that's how he lost.

Vance tells Tony off for breach of procedure and says he has to take one for the team.

Ziva appears saying she has seen McGee's crime scene photos and realises the trigger for the bomb (which conceals the odour of gas) is a Mossad technique (though not exclusively so).

At this point Vance says he will grant the favour the Israelis have asked; to send the team for a visit to Israel.

In Israel, the team (Vance, Gibbs, Tony, Ziva only) is welcomed by Mossad Officer Hadar, who asks Tony to go with him; Ziva assures Gibbs Tony is in no danger; only two people have the authority to hurt him - her father and Ziva herself.

We see a cold greeting between Ziva and her father, and a wary one between her father and Gibbs; though Director David does say Ziva speaks of him, Gibbs, very highly.

Tony is waiting in the interrogation room, or, as Director David corrects him, a meeting room. Tony carries on with what Vance calls his smart-ass attitude; Gibbs says Tony knows what he is doing.

Director David tells Tony he knows all about him; then he asks about Rivkin; he suggests Tony was ignorant about Rivkin and had gone to Ziva's apartment to confront him because he was jealous of him.

Tony responds that Director David had a history of sending out of control agents, even his own son Ari; David is taken aback - I'll be damned, says Vance to Gibbs.

Gibbs speaks to Abby and McGee; they are optimistic they can get something out of Rivkin's laptop; and also Ziva did speak to Hadar (as Gibbs guesses) 6 hours before the blast in her apartment on an encrypted line

Cut immediately to Ziva with Hadar in a headlock asking him to talk and suggesting he completely went against her request to get Rivkin out safely. Hadar says Rivkin was "in chaos" (having killed an American agent) and Ziva did not tell her father. Hadar says Ziva called him too late and was herself responsible for Rivkin's death.

Ziva tells Gibbs Mossad set the fire and she feels betrayed by everyone except (so far) Gibbs.

Director David is now in conference with Vance; Vance resents Mossad's feeling that the US is too lax about domestic threats, he says they have to be patient and that is why one agent on each side is dead. After all, in this case Rivkin was following Mossad orders.

David says the mission is that Mossad is looking for a terrorist training camp in N Africa, and had sent Rivkin to the US to locate it through one of its offshoot sleeper cells in LA, for the intel but killing the cell along the way. Vance understands but David says not everyone in the US does and Rivkin was spying on the 'softer' side when he killed the US agent by accident.

Vance says the location of the camp was never found; David says it is about the head of the camp (presumably the hunt for him will occupy some of Season 7)

Now Ziva and Tony are arguing; Tony says he has no choice but Ziva is still angry. Tony suggests she might wish Rivkin were alive and he, Tony, dead. Ziva says Tony took advantage of Rivkin's drunk condition; Tony says Ziva's account is all wrong; Tony suggests Ziva hit him, and she does; we see she feels guilty she was not there in the apartment.

Back in NCIS McGee and Abby have resurrected the information on Rivkin's laptop. But it's not Rivkin's, it's Abin Tabal's, the dead handler of the sleeper cell. All the info about N Africa is there; Rivkin used the laptop for e-mail (seems as if he swapped it over with his own after killing the handler) but there is correspondence with Ziva, so she had been withholding information.

Now Ziva is confronting her father; she did not know Rivkin's mission- she asks why she was not told? And her father says that it is because he does not know whether he can trust her any more or whether her loyalties are actually to NCIS. If she wants to show her loyalty, let her perform her Aliyah by completing Rivkin's mission.

The team is getting on the plane back; Tony is jolly, pleased to be going. Vance gives Director David the information off the laptop, and David sends thanks to Abby.

Now Ziva speaks to Gibbs; she says she is speaking from the heart (which is not of course the case, we know from the previous scene.) She says she is still not sure Tony is telling the truth and she thinks one of them should be transferred as they cannot work together. Of course she thereby makes Gibbs choose Tony. Gibbs kisses Ziva on the cheek in parting and wishes her

well. One short? Tony asks; he does not seem entirely surprised. Ziva is left misty-eyed on the tarmac.

Abby gives the team a comically happy welcome; the mood of course plummets when Tony explains Ziva is not coming back, and that it was Gibbs' decision.

In the next scene, we see Ducky visiting Gibbs in Gibbs' house. Gibbs explains it wasn't his decision, it was Ziva's own. Ducky can see there is a special bond between Ziva and Gibbs and that it happened much more quickly than with any other agent. Of course we see a flashback to Ziva killing Ari in Gibbs' basement. And of course Gibbs denies the bond, saying that Ziva had proved herself; whatever she did, says Ducky, it wasn't so significant.... or was it?

A freighter; soldiers, Ziva in combat gear pasting the photo of herself and Ari, saved from the fire, on the wall; her father's office with the same photo framed. Gibbs telling Vance that there are good replacements, but Vance knows he hopes Ziva is coming back. The way Gibbs puts this is to say he hopes Ziva will think about it and realise who she can trust.

The conversation between Gibbs and Vance gets more heated; Vance says he feels Gibbs is always watching him, but counters that Gibbs has no idea what he is trying to discover or why he does not trust him.

Vance says Gibbs made the right decision to leave Ziva behind; at this point Gibbs is about to reveal what happened 4 years ago when Ziva killed her brother. But Vance forestalls him, in a twist that is so typical of spy stories; it was all a "plot" by Director David. Because Ari was out of control, David sent Ziva on a mission to kill him. In this sense, he played Gibbs, says Vance; Director David managed to get rid of Ari and get Gibbs to trust Ziva in one move. But Vance admits, so far Ziva has been loyal to NCIS.

Vance argues that if Gibbs is right about Ziva, she will remember and serve NCIS well in Israel; Gibbs counters that if Vance is right about Director David, we won't ever see her again. Tony is trying to call Ziva, and not succeeding - Guess she'll call when she's ready, he says. We kind of know, don't we, that the Ziva we are used to will reappear in Series / Season 7? But meanwhile.....

Last scene- subtitled Somalia, Horn of Africa. Guerrillas and a prison cell; Ziva is sitting in a chair and she has been beaten up and tortured. A soldier enters, plucks the Star of David off her neck and says: 'Tell me everything you know about NCIS.'

Season Seven

Truth or Consequences

Season 7
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Guest Stars: Marcus Brown (Navy Petty Officer Dominic Dimarco), Noa Tishby (DEA Agent Claire Connell), Omid Abtahi (Saleem Ulman), Mercedes Mashn (Police Officer Heather Kincaid), Todd Lowe (NCIS Special Agent Chad Dunham), Sonita Henry (Captain Rebecca "Becky" Hastings USAF)
Production Code: 139
Summary: With the past still left unresolved, the NCIS team must find a way to put it aside and concentrate on another investigation, but while looking for Ziva's replacement, the team comes to a stunning revelation.



In a small cell in the Middle East, a terrorist asks Tony to tell him who he is and what he is doing there. Tony tells the man he isn't going to tell him anything. The man injects Tony with a truth serum. Tony tells the man he is going to be dead soon. The man says that his name is Saleem Ulman. Tony says that he is part of the NCIS and has the task of investigating cases involving the Navy. As

the serum starts to work through his system, Tony tells Saleem about a case a couple of months ago where Gibbs took down a violent officer who was high on drugs. Tony says that one of his members of his team was a Mossad agent. Saleem beats Tony and asks him where the rest of his team is. Tony says he doesn't care where they are. Saleem asks Tony what he was doing in the middle of the desert. Tony says that he was looking for vengeance and admits he is there to kill him.

Saleem asks Tony why he chose him to be the target of his bloodlust. Tony says that a few months ago, he never knew he existed. The show jumps back a few months ago. At headquarters, Tony asks McGee for advice on entertainment components. Gibbs announces that there is another case. McGee tells Gibbs that they should fill in the chair that Ziva left. Gibbs gives Tony a stack of portfolios of potential female coworkers and asks him to pick. They go to the room of a Navy officer who was found dead in his bunk due to an overdose. Ducky arrives at the scene to investigate. He asks if they have heard from Ziva and they say they haven't heard from her.

Tony and McGee bring in a series of women to be interviewed to take over Ziva's position. They meet a woman named Claire who says that she ran into problems in her last job when she got into a relationship with a coworker. They tell her that they will consider her for the job. After she meets with Gibbs, she leaves his office crying. Gibbs tells Tony and McGee she is their first strike.

Back in the Middle East, Saleem tells Tony that when he was in college, his personal drug of choice was caffeine. He takes a drink from his canteen, which causes Tony, who is thirsty, to lick

his lips. He asks Tony who is in control of the flow of information at NCIS. He says that the man in charge is Leon Vance. He says that some people don't trust him.

The show jumps back a few months ago. Vance tells Gibbs that he hasn't heard from Ziva. He says that it appears that Ziva is back with the Mossad. He says that Ziva's father, who is head of the Mossad, is tight lipped about his daughter. McGee interrogates the Navy officer that was high on drugs. He says that he thinks that someone slipped drugs into his orange juice. McGee asks him how he figures that and the officer says that he saw it on 90210. Watching outside, Tony tells a potential recruit that he never really liked 90210. Tony tells the woman that McGee is softening the suspect up so Gibbs can crack him. The woman says that she doesn't think the officer knows anything. Gibbs gets in contact with a soldier who reports on a female captive in the Middle East. Tony brings Gibbs a file of the new candidate, Rebecca Hastings. Tony asks Gibbs about the female captive that the soldier was talking about, but he doesn't say anything.

Later, McGee tells Tony that Gibbs approved the new girl to work with them. Tony says that it is not normal that they haven't heard from Ziva. Tony wonders if there is something preventing Ziva from contacting them. Tony says that he wants to find out what happened to Ziva. McGee tells Tony that he won't let him work alone.

Back in the Middle East, Saleem tries to wake up McGee who is unconscious on the floor. Saleem says that it is insane that Tony came halfway around the world to seek revenge because he believes that he is responsible for the Ziva's death. Saleem asks Tony how he found him.

The show jumps back several months. Tony and McGee tell Abby that they have been tracking Ziva's movements. Abby says that she is worried because Ziva hasn't contacted her. They think that Vance knows more than he is willing to say and plan to hack into his computer. Rebecca says that she doesn't want any part of what they are doing, then leaves. A potential agent arrives and asks Tony if he is ready for their interview. Gibbs meets with the Navy officer who was on drugs. The officer says that he still believes that he was drugged. Tony takes the potential recruit to the observation room. Gibbs tells the suspect that he thinks that he is a drug dealer. Tony tells the woman that they are not currently hiring.

Abby figures that Ziva was investigating a man named Saleem. Gibbs tells the team that the ship that Ziva was on was lost at sea. Tony, McGee and Ziva tell Gibbs and Vance that they can locate Saleem by following a supply of caffeine drinks that he is addicted to.

Back in the Middle East, Saleem gets angry that he was caught because of his need for caffeine. He leaves and returns with Ziva. He says that one of them will tell him where the other NCIS operatives are and the other will die. Tony asks Ziva how her summer was. Ziva says that she is surprised that he found her. Tony says that he is glad that she is alive. Ziva asks why he is there and he says that he couldn't live without her. Ziva tells Tony that he should have left her alone. Tony says that he has been drugged by a truth serum, so she can ask him anything. Ziva says that she doesn't deserve anyone to risk their life for her. Ziva says that she is ready to die. Tony says that he has an escape plan. Ziva says that Saleem's men are heavily armed.

The show jumps back a month. Tony shows Gibbs and Vance maps where he suspects Saleem is. Vance says that they can't send in a SEAL team unless they get confirmation that Saleem is in the area. Gibbs tells Tony that if he can confirm that Saleem is there, he can send in Special Forces. Tony and McGee travel to Saleem's hideout. They are surrounded and captured by several masked men.

Back in the cell, Tony tells Ziva that he got captured on purpose. Tony says that they have to stay alive until reinforcements arrive. Saleem walks in with a knife. He says that they are moving out, but they are not taking prisoners. He puts a knife to Ziva's neck. Tony distracts Saleem as McGee kicks him. Saleem pulls out a gun and is about to shoot McGee, but Tony tells him to stop. Tony tells Saleem that he only a few seconds to live. Tony says that his boss is a sniper. A bullet flies through the window and hits Saleem in the head. On a nearby hill, Gibbs orders his team to storm the compound. Tony and McGee carry Ziva to safety. Gibbs meets them and tells them it is time to go home.

They get back to NCIS headquarters where they are met with applause from Vance and the rest of the team. Abby welcomes Ziva back with a hug.

Reunion

Season 7

Episode Number: 140

Season Episode: 2

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Guest Stars: Sarah Utterback (Elaina Marcus), Charles Parnell (Marine Colonel Dick Jestern), Courtney Henggeler (Scorpio Sinn), Elijah Trichon (Young Howard Shelly), Timm Perry (Young Alan Sandrich), Stevens Gaston (Young Jeff Ross), Chad Addison (Young Eric Jurel), Valarie Rae Miller (NCIS Special Agent Bryn Fillmore), Oliver Muirhead (Jay Danorth), Ian Reed Kesler (Police Officer Howard Shelly), Eamonn Roche (Hector Stuckley)
Production Code: 140
Summary: Gibbs is forced to dig into the past when a murder of a Marine and his two friends turns out to be linked to past issues. Meanwhile, Gibbs faces a tough challenge as he holds Ziva's fate in his hands.



A woman shows up at a cracked hotel room door and looks in. She sees a portable DVD player playing a video and music. She aims a gun into the room, walks in and says "Your under arrest you bad bad boys." She's a stripper posing as a cop. She sees one man lying dead on the floor in vomit, another on the bed with a backpack over his head and a third with his head in the toilet. She screams.

In the squadroom, DiNozzo walks in and says good morning to Fillmore, Ziva's replacement. He teases her about her Army Greens but tells her they investigate crimes in the Navy. "Good thing I have a strong ego or I'd think you didn't like me," DiNozzo says. Fillmore ignores him. DiNozzo walks over to McGee and asks if he's heard from Ziva, McGee says he hasn't. DiNozzo says he tried to talk to her on the plane but, then hears Fillmore stop typing. He turns around and says, "These details are classified. Thank you." McGee says they really aren't and DiNozzo says they should be. DiNozzo wants to know what's going on as someone asked him for his autograph. McGee says Janice in psych services asked him out for drinks. DiNozzo describes Janice as "man hands and pretty eyes." McGee tells him Ziva will call when she's ready. Tony replies, "Last time you said that I ended up tied to a chair in North Africa." They wonder how long it will be before Ziva's desk will be empty with McGee giving it a month. Fillmore comes over and tells them she hates to disappoint them, hands McGee a rather lengthy document and tells them it's her letter of resignation. When McGee comments on how long it is she says "I had a hard time choosing the right adjectives. I couldn't decide between childish, juvenile and just plain old annoying." She looks at McGee and says, "And you. You know better. Your just so busy playing the faithful sidekick, you go along for the ride." She tells them to make sure Gibbs gets her resignation and leaves.

Ziva walks down into Gibbs basement (no boat) and apologizes for being late. She thanks him for his help and hands him a gift. Gibbs opens it to find a chisel. Ziva tells Gibbs he's probably thinking she rigged it to explode but Gibbs replies, "No, I'm thinking this is a really nice chisel." Ziva tells him she felt betrayed when he left her in Israel but she has had time to think. She forgot who she could trust, they were a team once and she'd like that again. She came to his house for Gibbs blessing. Gibbs tells her she has to talk to the Director. His phone rings and DiNozzo calls to tell him of a triple homicide. Ziva tries to talk to Gibbs but he tells her she has to talk to Vance. As he heads up the basement stairs, he tells her Vance isn't the only one she has to talk to.

While the team is processing the crime scene, Gibbs arrives. They tell Gibbs that Jeff Ross booked the room for a bachelor party. The stripper found him and she's in the bedroom with her manager, Hector Stuckey. Gibbs and McGee go into the bedroom and Stuckey introduces himself. He hands them his business card, which McGee takes with a pair of tweezers. Stuckey tells them he's a business man and the stripper, Scorpio Sinn, works for him as an entertainer. He pulls out some cologne and sprays McGee with it. Gibbs asks the stripper her story. She tells him she was hired to come in and surprise the men for a bachelor party. She says she showed up as a surprise and when she walked into the room, she found the men dead. Scorpio tells Gibbs the man on the floor (Ross) is the one she met with except he had hair when they met. The team looks at Ross, then DiNozzo pulls the backpack off the man's head to reveal he is bald as well. Ducky pulls the third victim's head out of the toilet and they discover he is also bald. After looking at the man's head, Ducky informs Gibbs they were shaved after they were murdered.

Back in the squadroom, they ID the three men: Alan Sandrich (the groom), Naval Petty Officer, Jeff Ross and business man, Eric Jurell. Gibbs sends McGee and DiNozzo out to Jurell's business to ask questions.

McGee grabs his coat and tells Tony to come on. Tony tells him to not let the sidekick stuff go to his head. He jokes with McGee about how the sidekick is always shorter but McGee stands toe to toe with him and points out they are the same height. The elevator bells rings and Ziva steps out, telling them she finds McGee to be the more handsome. Tony asks why she is there and Vance steps forward and tells Ziva she's right on time.

In Vance's office, Ziva and Vance talk. Vance asks her what her father thinks of her wanting to return to NCIS. Vance asks Ziva how her father feels and she asks what her father's feelings have to do with it. When Vance reminds her she wasn't an NCIS Agent but a Mossad Officer, she tells him she hasn't spoken to her father in months. Vance tells her she is damaged and he has concerns. He tells her she has to pass a psych eval and battery and then they'll talk. As she goes to walk out, Vance tells her he's not making any promises.

McGee and DiNozzo go to Jurell Auctioneers, where there's a very boring lecture being given by Jay Danorth. Danorth tells them he's not surprised that Eric Jurell is dead, everyone wanted him dead. Tony asks him, "Did you wake up this morning wanting to be the prime suspect in a murder investigation?" Danorth tells them to talk to Elaina. She finishes a phone call but is crying. When DiNozzo asks her if she was involved with Jurell, she says no but there were sparks. She felt people misunderstood Jurell but that deep down he was a good man. Elaina tells them she did overhear a phone conversation and Jurell said he felt someone was following him.

In autopsy, Palmer says he's never been to a bachelor party before. Ducky is about to start on one of his stories when Gibbs walks in. Ross was killed by drinking too much; Sandrich was suffocated by putting the backpack over his head and Jurell was drowned in the toilet. Ducky finds a discrepancy in an accident report filed for Ross. The report said he was injured in a hydraulic accident but Ducky finds a gunshot wound on his arm.

In the squadroom, Tim is faux swiping the TV screen (reminiscent of his NCIS: Los Angeles trip). Gibbs walks up behind him and wants an update. Then DiNozzo walks in and tells them he met Sandrich's fiancée and she's engaged again. He makes a crack about fast engagements and Gibbs asks him how long he's going to use that line to which DiNozzo replies, "Last time Boss." McGee makes a comment about how Sandrich wasn't dead 24 hours yet and the fiancée was already engaged. Tony tells them the bachelor party was fake, the real one had taken place 5 months prior. He pops in the bachelor party tape that had taken place 5 months prior. After the fiancée saw it, she broke off the engagement. Gibbs tells DiNozzo to turn off the tape. They want to know what the 2nd bachelor party was covering up for.

DiNozzo and McGee are trying to figure out how they can find out who was tailing Jurrell. Ziva walks up behind them and tells them to track Jurrell's cell phone GPS and they can use the GPS of a repeat cell phone that followed him to find out who the tracker was. Ziva and Tony just stare at each other but say nothing. McGee realizes this and excuses himself saying he's going to get a nutter butter. Tony asks Ziva if she's taking the tour. Ziva says she is on her way for her first psych eval. Tony says he always loved them and Ziva replies, "It's because you always get to talk about yourself all the time." Tony's phone rings and he hands it to Ziva. Abby demands that Ziva get down to her lab immediately. Tony tells Ziva to be careful she doesn't get her own 21 gun salute. Ziva tells him she'll see him later and he says he'll be there.

Ziva walks into Abby's lab, where as always, there is loud music blaring. Abby sees Ziva and gives her an evil look. Abby yells, "What the hell is wrong with you. How could you have doubted Tony?" Abby reads Ziva the riot act about how Ziva wasn't thinking, telling Gibbs she couldn't trust Tony. She babbles about Michael's murder and tells Ziva that after everything Tony did for her, he even risked his life to save her. Abby ends by saying "Tony 1, Ziva zilch!" Abby walks up to Ziva and hugs her. She picks up a remote and we hear a pop and a sign comes down from the ceiling along with confetti. The sign reads "Welcome Home Ziva."

Gibbs heads up to MTAC and talks with Marine Colonel Dick Jestern. Gibbs asks him how Ross got injured as Jestern filed the report. Jestern says that Ross was injured in a hydraulic accident but when Gibbs tells him what Ducky found, Jestern fesses up. He admits he falsified the report because Ross has gone on 2 days leave. When he returned, he had a gunshot to the arm. Ross claims he was with a woman and was shot by the husband. Jestern gave him a verbal reprimand and filed the report. He will complete a corrected report and send it to Gibbs.

Vance walks into MTAC and tells Gibbs that Ziva passed her first psych eval. Vance gives Gibbs the reinstatement paperwork to sign. Gibbs asks what Eli David thinks. Vance says he has things to work out. Vance senses Gibbs hesitation and reminds Gibbs he is the one who said he wanted Ziva back and asks if that is how Gibbs still feels. Gibbs says, "We need Ziva."

Gibbs walks into the squadroom and asks Tony to look into where Ross went on his leave. Tony finds out that Ross went to an airstrip and they believe there was a package on the plane that is the key to the murders. McGee finds an unregistered cell phone number showed up several times, tailing Jurrell. They aren't able to find out who the owner is but McGee tells them he can locate him. The team ends up at a house - Tony takes the front door and Gibbs and McGee go around back. Tony enters and finds a copy there, gun drawn. He claims they got a call about a shot fired and there were two suspects. Gibbs and McGee come in, quick introductions are made. Shelley is excited to learn Tony has his back. Each man takes a room to check out. The door to the room Shelley enters closes and glass hit's the floor. The team enters the room and hears a car start up and take off, no Shelley. Gibbs picks up the framed photo that had fallen on the floor and they realize it was Shelley's house, Shelly was the man tailing Jurrell. As they poke around Shelley's house, they find what they believe to be an apology/suicide note on Shelley's computer. DiNozzo finds a photo of the 3 deceased men at an airport under Shelley's bed. Gibbs says Shelley wasn't tailing them but targeting them. DiNozzo follows up with the Baltimore PD to get information on Shelley.

McGee is at the park getting a cup of coffee. He sees Ziva sitting alone on a bench and joins her. Ziva thanks McGee. He wants to know if she came to the Navy yard to say thanks. She tells him she's getting ready for her next psych eval. McGee asks about the psychiatrist she's seeing, Ziva describes her as "man hands and pretty eyes." When she asks why, McGee says no reason. He asks how she is doing. Ziva admits the past 3 months were a challenge but it was in the past and the past is the past. He asks why she's avoiding Tony.

Back at the squadroom, McGee is surprised to walk in and see Gibbs. He asks when Gibbs got back as he took a coffee break. McGee brings Gibbs up to speed, telling him the 3 deceased men went to the same high school and they were known for bullying. The men's biggest target for bullying was Officer Shelley. DiNozzo runs in and needs to run to the head but Gibbs stops him. DiNozzo tells Gibbs what he found out from the Baltimore PD. He tells them Shelley pulled Ross over and gave him a ticket but when he realized who he was, he gave him 3 tickets. McGee shows a video on the web of Shelley being bullied by Sandrich, Jurrell and Ross in high school. They realize that each of the men died the same way in which they tormented Shelley. McGee goes off to get information while DiNozzo is doing a little dance. Gibbs tells him to "go shake it" and DiNozzo runs to the head.

Tony is in the bathroom singing and Ziva is standing there. She tells him she was there long enough to see how he was well hydrated after his time in the desert. Ziva says when he shot Michael she almost killed him where he stood. She tells him, Lying down, no backup, completely violating protocol and he reminds her he was also double-parked. Ziva says, "You had my back. You have always had my back. And I was wrong to question your motives." He wants to know why she did. She tells him, "I trusted my brother Ari, I trusted Michael. I could not afford to trust you." He responds, "I thought you weren't sure what to say." She replies, "I guess I had a long time to think about things." Tony apologizes to Ziva but she says she is the one who is sorry. She leans in and kisses him on the cheek. She tells him, "Your instincts were right. You were a cop and I should have never faulted you for thinking..." He interrupts her and says he's a cop, think like a cop. He grabs Ziva's face as he says it then heads out of the room.

DiNozzo walks into the squadroom, calling McGee "McSidekick." He reminds them that Shelley would have a second cell phone. As the first one is unregistered, McGee believes Shelley won't have a registered phone. DiNozzo tells them how sometimes the evidence from a bust ends up in cop's pockets. Turns out Shelley made a huge bust with 53 cell phones and he logged in all of their numbers. When McGee finds the second cell phone number, he notices it's in use. Just then, Gibbs phone rings. Gibbs answers his phone, putting it on speaker phone. It's Shelley and he wants to talk to DiNozzo. He tells DiNozzo he knows it looks bad, but it's not how it looks. He says he was set up, he knew a deal was going down and he wanted to steal the men's "pot of gold." He asks DiNozzo if he knows where he is yet and McGee nods yes. Shelley gives DiNozzo an address to a phone booth where he can meet him.

DiNozzo shows up at the phone booth and there is a homeless man sleeping inside the booth. He wakes the man and tells him he has a phone call to make. He looks up and sees the phone is broken, so does the homeless man so he turns to go back to sleep. Gibbs sees Shelley's car approaching, driving erratically. The SUB heads towards the phone booth so Tony grabs the homeless man and pulls him out of harm's way. The SUV crashes and Gibbs and McGee run up to it. Gibbs checks Shelley's pulse and discovers he's dead with a gunshot wound to the back.

In autopsy, Ducky tells Gibbs the shooter was at point blank range so Shelley must have known his attacker, someone who knew his past. DiNozzo and McGee walk into autopsy and McGee sneezes as he reaches the corpse. Ducky tells them the body has cologne on it. McGee and Gibbs stare at each other, then they all run out, realizing the cologne is the key.

The team brings in Scorpio's manager, Hector Stuckey, who has a black eye. Gibbs asks him how he got the shiner and Stuckey replies, "I cut myself shaving." Gibbs points out Stuckey's DNA is under Shelley's fingernails. Stuckey finally admits he had nothing to do with killing the 3 men. Shelley showed up at his doorstep that morning and they got into a fight. He says that Jurrell approached Stuckey with a deal. When Gibbs mentions the package on the plane, Stuckey says the plane WAS the package. It was a military cargo plane scheduled for decommissioning. Ross approached him to sell it and the bachelor party was a ruse. Stuckey tells them he didn't kill anyone as he has 50 people who can testify he was at the Club Pubis.

McGee and DiNozzo verify Stuckey's alibi. Abby comes running into the squadroom and tells Gibbs that a new bullet fired from a 19th Century Tower Pistol was the murder weapon. The team leaves and heads to the Auctioneer house. When they arrive, they see Danorth, standing at the trunk of a car, placing the murder weapon into a case. He claims he noticed it was missing and had been looking for it. They inform him it was used as a murder weapon. He claims he has no knowledge of that and the car doesn't belong to him. Gibbs says they know and asks where Elaine Marcus is. Danorth tells them he found the gun in her trunk and called her outside to ask about it. Just then Elaine comes outside, sees the NCIS team and attempts to run. She tells them they have no evidence but they tell her they were able to trace the fake suicide note on Shelley's computer back to hers. She had learned of the cargo plane and partnered with Shelley to get the payout but ended up setting Shelley up for murder.

Gibbs returns home and Ziva is waiting in his basement. She tells him they need to talk. She says she sensed his hesitation when she asked to come back and she still feels it. There is tension between them as Ziva tries to work things out with Gibbs. Gibbs tells her he wants the truth, she had orders to kill Ari and earn his trust. Ziva admits she did, she volunteered for the mission to protect Ari. Gibbs tells her she killed her own brother and she lied to him. Ziva replies, "I would have lied to you, he was my brother. You were nothing. You were right about Ari. He is gone. Eli is dead to me and the closest thing I have to a father is accusing me..." Gibbs says,

"Okay."

Vance is walking across the squadroom talking on his cell phone to his wife. He reaches the elevator door as it opens, DiNozzo and McGee step out. Vance hesitates then says, "I love you too." McGee and DiNozzo just stare at him, then Vance passes and enters the elevator. DiNozzo says "Okay, moving on" and they both walk into the squadroom. McGee begins to tell Tony that his date, Janice, is conducting Ziva's psych eval but then sees Ziva's stuff on her desk. Both men look up and McGee says "Ziva's back." Ziva walks into the room with a plant in her hands, puts it down on her desk and sits. McGee and DiNozzo both sit at their desks, pretending to work but staring at Ziva. All 3 go to work, smiling.

The Inside Man

Season 7

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Production Code: 141
Summary: When a blogger that accused NCIS of a cover-up turns up dead, the NCIS team has to find out who killed him and take another look at the closed case.



A man blogs about the NCIS using his laptop in his car. He checks his watch, gets out of his car and watches construction workers talking below him. The workers are surprised as the man drops from above and is impaled on a rebar.

McGee makes an appointment to have another polygraph test. Tony asks McGee if he made a mistake of coming out. Tony asks Gibbs if he ever failed a polygraph

test. He tells the team that they need to investigate the death of a blogger named Matt Burns. Ducky asks Gibbs to talk, but says that he can wait. Ducky learns that Ziva can not go out in the field until she receives proper clearance. Ducky tells her she knows where to find him if she wants to talk.

The team arrives at the scene. Tony flirts with a detective who is wearing a scarf while looking at a car. The detective introduces herself as Hanly. Hanly says that they found a shoe print that doesn't match the victim near the area where he fell. Gibbs meets with the detective in charge, Sportelli. Hanly says that the victim wrote a blog. Sportelli says that Matt wrote how the NCIS covered up a case. Sportelli says that he is there to make sure that NCIS doesn't cover up Matt's death.

Back at headquarters, the team watches a web video of Matt talking about Lt. Ron Arnet who was killed in a car crash that was ruled as an accident by the NCIS. Matt says he thinks that Arnet was linked to insider trading. They took a look at Matt's blog where he writes that he was going to meet someone who will blow the Arnet case wide open. They see that Matt's work discredited a judge.

Gibbs visits Ducky in his lab. He says that he wanted to check up on Ziva since she went through a lot. He asks if she spoke to him and he says no. Gibbs asks Ducky to recheck on his work on Arnet.

Tony meets with the judge. He says that Matt ruins his career that was going to send him to the Supreme Court. The judge says that Matt's charges of infidelity and plagiarism forced him to withdraw his name. Tony sees Hanly and Sportelli approach and runs away.

Gibbs meets with Arnet's CO and asks him about insider trading. He says that it doesn't make sense why he would commit a crime since Arnet had a great future and family money. Lt. Summer, Arnet's colleague says that she had no idea who Arnet's friends were.

Abby looks at the car that Arnet was in and tells McGee that she is not sure why they are retesting the car. She says that she is sure that Arnet was in an accident. McGee asks Abby why she thinks he has to retake a polygraph. Abby says that there was another agent who had to retake the polygraph then was later let go.

Ziva tells the team that Arnet called Lt. Summer often which indicates that they had a relationship. Gibbs wonders why Summers lied. Ziva says she found that Matt's credit card was being used in D.C. while he claimed that he was in Atlanta.

Gibbs meets with Summer in the interrogation room and tells her that he knows she lied. He asks her who broke it off and she says that she did after she found out that Arnet was seeing other women. The team watches and wonder what kind of tactic Gibbs is going to use. Gibbs says that he is working with the Metro police and figures that she is his Pentagon source for insider information. Summer starts to cry and says that he swore that no one would find out. She says that she went to Matt Burns after Arnet broke up with her. Summer admits that Arnet brought her champagne to celebrate his earnings from Wall Street. She figured that he used her to get inside information. The team figures that their first conclusion that Arnet's death was an accident was incorrect.

Ducky tells Gibbs that he reexamined Arnet's autopsy. He says that Arnet's death was due to a car accident. Ducky gets a call from a friend who tells him that the Metro police has ruled Matt's death as a homicide. Ducky says that he is going to do toxicology tests which takes time. He says at the time of Arnet's death, his family wanted to speed up the process so they could bury him.

Tony meets with a SEC investigator, Benjamin Franklin. He says that they found no evidence of insider trading. He says that a man named Will Sutton, an owner of a sandwich shop, made a lot of money from a defense contracting company. He says that they can't find a connection with Sutton and insider trader.

Sportelli arrives at Abby's lab and asks for all of their evidence relating to Arnet's death. Sportelli says that he has a court order. Gibbs tells Abby to hand over the evidence.

Tony visits Sutton and asks him if he met Arnet. He says no. Tony looks at the pastrami that Sutton is cutting and orders a sandwich. Sutton says that he is still in the shop because the SEC has frozen his funds. Back at headquarters, McGee tells Tony that he can't find connections between Arnet and Sutton. McGee asks Tony if he can have a bite of his sandwich, but Tony shoves the rest of it into his mouth.

Ducky and Abby open Arnet's coffin and find that his body was replaced by weights. The team wonders who would want to steal Arnet's body. Ducky says that he released the body to a funeral home.

Later, agent Grady asks Ziva where McGee is. She tells her that he missed his polygraph meeting.

Tony and McGee go to the funeral home. The director says that even though their mortician did a great job on Arnet, the family decided to have a closed casket. Tony asks if there is a security system. McGee gets a text from Ziva who informs him that he missed his polygraph appointment. Tony asks McGee to hop in the casket so they can take a photo and send to the polygraph division so they would think he was dead. The director comes back and says that she got a security alarm alert the day of Arnet's funeral. The team figures that it was enough time to steal the body.

Abby looks at the weights and tells Ducky that they were cleaned before they were placed in the casket. The team wonders if Matt stole Arnet's body in order to perpetuate the idea of a cover up. McGee says that he wants to examine Matt's car. Tony and McGee go to the Metro car impound yard and spot Matt's car. They see a camera which McGee covers up using a mayo pellet launched from a paint ball gun. McGee worries about dogs, but Tony assures him because of budget cuts, they probably don't have any. They climb the fence and break into Matt's car. Tony scares McGee by playing the sound of dogs barking on his phone. McGee downloads the

GPS history just before real dogs chase after them. They run and evade the dogs by running on top of cars. A police officer catches them just before they climb over the fence. Tony and McGee are arrested.

Back at the lab, Abby tells Gibbs that Matt was parked in front of the mortuary the day of Arnet's funeral. Tony and McGee return to work. Meanwhile, Ziva looks around and sees that she is alone. She starts to compose a letter to her father, but stops when Abby arrives. She tells her that they used Matt's GPS record and found where he buried Arnet's body. Abby asks her to go out to celebrate, but Ziva says that she has something to do first. After Abby leaves, she resumes her letter.

McGee goes to polygraph room and is strapped to the machine. Agent Grady says that she came in early for him. She says that she takes a train and rides with the same people. She gets close and causes his blood pressure to rise. She proceeds to ask him questions about his record. She asks if he is in a committed relationship and he says no. McGee thinks about the case and asks Grady to reschedule their appointment.

McGee asks Abby if Arnet had a rail pass and she says yes. They learn that Arnet and Sutter rode the same train together to work. They figure that Arnet and Sutter met and became friends on the train. Tony and McGee meet with Sutter and ask him about Hitchcock's Strangers on a Train. They tell him that they know he worked with Arnet to split the insider trading earnings. They figure that after Arnet died, Sutter suspected that Matt had evidence to link him to the insider trading. The agents suspect that Sutter set Matt up to meet him to provide him with information, but instead, killed him.

Later, Sportelli is called in to headquarters to take Sutter to jail. Gibbs tells McGee that he made an impression with Agent Grady. Ziva hands Gibbs a paper and asks him to sign it so she can be a full time NCIS agent. Gibbs says that she has to resign from the Mossad. She says that she already did. Gibbs is about to sign the recommendation, but takes a moment to think about it.

Good Cop, Bad Cop

Season 7
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Production Code: 142
Summary: The NCIS team is called in to investigate the murder of a Marine found halfway around the world, and the investigation takes a surprising turn when Ziva turns out to be connected to the deceased Marine.



Two men on a shrimp boat off the coast of Tanzania are pulling in a meager haul of just a handful of shrimp. They are grouching at the lack of shrimp, and begin to sort through the trash that came in with the net. They notice a plastic bag hung up in the net and prod at it, jokingly hoping that it is full of shrimp. The bag bursts open and, to their horror, the gooey, decomposed remains of a human

being wearing dog tags falls to the deck.

In the squad room, Tony is annoying McGee by making "tick-tock" sounds. McGee, trying to finish a Report of Investigation (ROI) before a deadline, shouts to Tony to be quiet. McGee has never been late with a paper, and declares that no "PC-wiping macro virus is going to blemish my streak." Tony continues to tease, making references to Captain Hook in Peter Pan, and segues into asking McGee if he has bodies buried under his floorboards. McGee menacingly says that the day is still young. Ziva comes up silently behind Tony and asks McGee, meaningfully, if he needs any bodies buried. Very startled, Tony theatrically grabs his chest and starts moaning about calling 911. McGee and Ziva ignore him. Ziva offers to help McGee with his ROIs if he helps her find out what the status is of her application. McGee agrees, if Ziva will do Tony's paperwork, too. Tony had bet McGee that he could remove the virus, and succeeded, but McGee is sure he cheated. Neither McGee or Ziva believe Tony is capable of doing it, since, as Ziva sneers, Tony can barely work his email.

In MTAC, Vance and Gibbs is waiting for the NCIS agent in Tanzania to come on-line. After a short delay, the agent appears, and receives some kidding from Gibbs for his full beard. He tells them that the dental records confirmed the identity of a Marine staff sergeant, Daniel Cryer, whose CO praised him as sharp and good at infiltrating terrorist cells. However, Cryer is a deserter who went UA (unauthorized leave) approximately six months earlier, and they were unable to locate him, even with a tip that he had been seen in Jordan by a former Israeli security officer

who does free-lance work along the Red Sea. Cryer was apparently attempting to go into business for himself selling information on connections. He was spotted boarding a small freighter bound for East Africa – the *Damocles*, which went down at sea and was never recovered. It was assumed he went down with the ship. Gibbs observes that it doesn't explain why he was wrapped in plastic. The Tanzanian agent signs off, and Gibbs reminds Vance that they know someone who lived through that shipwreck – Ziva – and then realizes that Vance was anticipating it. Before they talk to Ziva, Gibbs and Vance agree to play "good cop, bad cop" to interrogate Ziva – but Gibbs is unsure which one Vance is choosing to be.

In the squad room, Ziva anxiously asks McGee how his search for her application is coming. To McGee's consternation, he pulls up the application, and it has a notation in red: "Rejected." Ziva yells, "Why have I been rejected?!" as Vance and Gibbs enter the squad room.

Gibbs, in a small conference room, calls McGee to get information on Cryer. He flips on the screen, which is monitoring the large conference room as Vance and Ziva enter. He sits back to watch. Vance tells Ziva there are inconsistencies in her application. Ziva clarifies that he is talking about her psychological profiles, and Vance agrees, noting that she was held prisoner for several months, and has yet to talk to a counselor. He then goes on to note her long-standing loyalty to Mossad and her father, and how it is hard to serve two masters. She declares her father has nothing to do with it, and Vance tells her that she had better start talking: "It's the price of admission." He asks her to begin to describe the events that led her to the camp.

Meanwhile, McGee is still niggling away at how the virus got on his computer in the first place. Tony dismisses his concerns, and points out that Ziva is in with "Principal Vance", and asks McGee for an update on Cryer. McGee goes over Cryer's immaculate record – until six months ago. Discussing the *Damocles*, McGee notes that it went down 200 miles off the coast of Tanzania, and was about 200 miles off course. McGee wonders why Gibbs tossed them the investigation, and then disappeared. Tony observes that "it's like *Alien* – the Ridley Scott classic, the creepy one." After a few more *Alien* jokes, McGee notes somberly that Ziva hasn't been the same since they brought her home, and that something must have happened to her out there. McGee heads off to see Abby.

Abby is staring at a monitor with a large blob of red rotating around a small center circle. McGee, noting the music, calls it "soothing," and Abby vehemently disagrees, explaining that the monitor is illustrating a tropical storm. She goes on to point out that that Ziva's report says that the ship went down in a storm, but that Cryer's body was found far away from where the storm actually happened. Because of the ocean currents and the position of the body, Abby declares that the ship could not have been anywhere near the storm. McGee has the inspiration to backtrack the currents and the body to determine where the *Damocles* actually sank – but Abby has beat him to it, and sent the information out an hour earlier.

In Autopsy, Tony notes several crustaceans in the sample pan and quips, "What's with the sushi bar?" Ducky observes that Cryer's body was in the ocean, and had attracted a great deal of attention from the ocean carnivores. He goes on to note that the pattern of digestion by ocean life can help determine the time of death, which he sets at approximately 16 weeks – close to the time of the *Damocles*' sinking. Ducky tells Tony that Cryer was killed by a gunshot wound to the head. Receiving a phone call from McGee with "bad news", Tony rushes out.

In the conference room, Vance is interrogating Ziva, confirming that her father had given her a slot on the unit that had originally been filled by Michael Rivkin. He goes on to describe the mission, and Ziva tells him, firmly, that she cannot comment on Mossad operations. Vance tells her that he knows because he is the one that gave the information to Mossad in the first place. He then points out that she is no longer employed by Mossad, and Ziva declares, "That does not change anything!" – but has walked into a trap: Vance points out, "That's what concerns me." Ziva is silent, as Vance goes on to describe her itinerary on the *Damocles*. Vance asks her to explain a Marine, wrapped in plastic, who was dead before the ship went down. Ziva points out that sometimes, people die onboard ship, and they are wrapped in plastic and placed in a freezer. Vance drily points out that this body had a bullet-hole in it, and demands to know how he died. Ziva, staring into space, does not answer.

McGee joins Gibbs in the small conference room, where Gibbs is still observing the interrogation. He tells Gibbs that they have found the *Damocles*, but also found eighteen crew members locked in the hold, executed.

Ziva has been moved to the Interrogation room, and is pacing nervously. Gibbs is looking at

photos of the recovered ship in the observation room, as Ducky comes in. Worriedly, he notes Ziva's agitation, and wonders why Gibbs isn't conducting the interrogation. Gibbs deflects the question and asks about the bodies found on the *Damocles*, and Ducky tells him they are being unloaded. Returning to Ziva's nervousness, he wonders if the interview is a kind of punishment. Gibbs smiles slightly and calls it "tough love." Vance enters and Ziva demands to know if she is being charged with a crime. Vance merely observes that one has been committed, and notes that the *Damocles* looks like a war zone. Ziva notes that it is Jordanian, and out of his jurisdiction, but he maintains that she is his jurisdiction – or, at least she wants to be. He then commands that the interview be recorded, and reminds her of the "crime of omission," and then tells her, "Take me to the *Damocles*."

Flashback: The captain of the *Damocles* is playing cards. The ship is in port, at Aqaba, Jordan. He is joined by someone he calls Shalev, who throws a knapsack on the card table and tells him that he has some friends that want to meet him. His friends are Ziva, and two other men. The captain offers Ziva a cup of tea, and then notes that because she is a woman, he cannot guarantee her safety on the ship. She tells him that she can take care of herself, and only wants discretion and passage to Somalia. The captain demurs, saying that the ship is headed for Muscat (Oman), not Somalia. However, he opens the knapsack, sees a large quantity of money, and agrees to go to Somalia, leaving that evening.

Later that evening, on board, Ziva's friends are preparing to join the crew for dinner. Ziva declines, and one of her friends encourages her to go. She is unsure, and he tells her, "The Americans left you, Ziva. Your family never has." She agrees reluctantly, glancing at a photo she has taped to the wall of her cabin, of her and Ari as children. In the dining room, they sit nervously watching the crew. Later, "Shalev" is walking down a corridor, and opens a door, seeing many arms lockers and boxes of explosive. He is challenged by a crew member with a gun, who demands to know what he is doing there. He shrugs and claims that he was looking for the head, but is not believed. The crew member then demands to know why he is going to Somalia, and Shalev protests that he doesn't know. Ziva walks up and confirms that he doesn't know because he works for her, and then, asks him not to shoot him, coyly declaring that she had sent him to "find them some privacy." The crew member relaxes, and she walks up to Shalev and kisses him passionately. As the crewman walks away, she chastises Shalev not to put the mission in danger.

In Interrogation, Ziva confirms that Shalev was actually Daniel Cryer. Vance questions her if she knew he was a Marine, and she admits that he didn't really fit in with the smugglers and thieves. When asked if she trusted him, she observed that "You really cannot trust a man whose loyalty has a price."

The flashback continues: Shalev/Cryer brings Ziva a morning drink, startling her into pulling a gun on him. In response to Ziva's questioning, he side-steps answering who he is, but points out that she should take off her Star of David necklace. She declares that she would rather die than remove the necklace, and then taps his Marine dogtags and says, "You should know."

In the squad room, Gibbs' phone is ringing. McGee and Tony argue over who should answer it. McGee loses, and, answering the phone, agrees to go down to escort someone up, someone named Ben-Gidon. Tony is instantly alert, and runs to tell Gibbs.

In Interrogation, Vance accuses Ziva of suborning Cryer, and Ziva declares that she has learned from Gibbs "that there is no such thing as an ex-Marine." Tony comes to pull Gibbs out of the observation room. Gibbs greets Ben-Gidon, who demands Ziva's release, "as a member of his team." Gibbs observes that he's a little late to rescue Ziva, but Ben-Gidon tells Gibbs that he has arrived in time to rescue her from Gibbs.

Gibbs and Vance are in Vance's office discussing Bin-Gidon's claim that Vance is keeping Ziva hostage. Vance is indignant. Bin-Gidon, as Ziva's commanding Mossad officer, has told them that if they force her to discuss Mossad's operation, Ziva will be in violation of Israeli law. Gibbs decides to keep Bin-Gidon talking, to see if they can gather additional information.

In the small conference room, Tony comes in and greets Bin-Gidon, telling him that he should have called him and he would have picked him up at the airport, returning the favor (from Bin-Gidon meeting them at the airport in Israel.) Tony goes on to say, insincerely, that he's sorry he hasn't stayed in touch, and hopes that he can return the same hospitality to Bin-Gidon that Tony received on his last visit to Israel (where he was interrogated rather harshly by Eli David.) Tony escorts him to Interrogation, where Bin-Gidon finds only Vance. Demanding to know where

Ziva is, Vance asks, mockingly, if he thinks that NCIS has buried her in a deep, dark hole to rot, and then ends, "But that's not our style." Bin-Gidon demands Ziva's release, and Vance refuses, telling Bin-Gidon that he can't release Ziva until he finds out what happened on the *Damocles*. Bin-Gidon tells Vance that he was on the *Damocles*, too, and will tell Vance what happened in exchange for Ziva's freedom. They sit.

Flashback: Ziva and Bin-Gidon are watching the crew playing a game, and noting that they make landfall in two days. Bin-Gidon tells Ziva that he thinks that the crew suspects them, and has been in touch with the rest of the team by satellite phone. Ziva accuses Bin-Gidon of changing the plan, and Bin-Gidon, motioning meaningfully to Cryer walking away, tells Ziva that her father has said, "by any means necessary." Ziva follows Cryer, who enters the ammunition storage room and retrieves a phone from under a pallet. Ziva slips by the door, trying to hear the conversation, but Cryer is wary.

In the lab, Abby is muttering about all the wet electronics that have been retrieved from the *Damocles* as McGee gingerly lifts out a phone from the mess – the phone that Cryer was using. Observing that there is a lot of evidence – phones, guns, electronic equipment – he declares that a plan of attack is needed. Abby disagrees – her philosophy is to just jump in, because if you just jump in, you find something without looking for it. She comments, with disappointment, that Gibbs isn't acting as if he is on Team Ziva, but McGee stands up for Gibbs.

Tony is escorting Ziva to Autopsy, and is met at the elevator by Ducky. He asks Ziva to help him clarify something, and asks Tony if he minds if he borrows Tony. Tony, not anxious to go to Autopsy, declares he doesn't mind, but Ziva demurs, insisting that Vance wants her to have an escort at all times. Ducky agrees, and leads her into a darkened Autopsy, but slams the door in Tony's face. Tony realizes what is Ducky is up to, and only gives a token protest. Turning on the lights, Abby and Ducky survey the remains of several bodies from the *Damocles*. Abby hangs back reluctantly, but Ducky pulls out a stool, places it next to one of the tables, and declares, "I don't know what games they are playing upstairs, but I have had enough. First and foremost, you are our friend. I want to be a friend, Ziva." He begins to recite the names of the crew, and Ziva declares that she does not need to know their names, but Ducky accuses her of carrying the guilt for their deaths, especially Cryer, and notes that "the truth may set you free." She disagrees, but Ducky goes on to tell her that some bodies aren't supposed to stay buried, and asks, "What happened to him?"

In Interrogation, Bin-Gidon is discussing Cryer, and theorizes that it was either paranoia or cabin fever, but that the shipboard communications were being monitored. Ziva and Bin-Gidon argue, but Bin-Gidon declares that Cryer may have compromised the mission, and as a result, they are like rats in a trap. Suddenly, gunfire breaks out, and Ziva and Bin-Gidon are in a shoot-out with the crew. They race to their cabin, retrieve their submachine guns, and return to the corridor. Both Bin-Gidon and Ziva confirm that their contingency plan was to take everyone onboard ship. Further shots are exchanged, and Ziva finds herself muzzle-to-muzzle with the captain. Cryer, coming up behind the captain, kills him, saving Ziva. Remembering Cryer, Ziva woodenly warns him Ducky to keep his distance, because those who get close to her end up dead.

In Vance's office, Gibbs and Vance are reviewing the Bin-Gidon's story. Vance grimly declares that Ziva knew that Cryer was a Marine, and as a result, "she is done here." Gibbs cautions him that it might not be true, and they decide it's time for Gibbs to question Ziva.

Ziva and Bin-Gidon are put together in the Interrogation room, and Bin-Gidon warns her to say nothing, because he is handling matters. Ziva declares that she has nothing to say to him, folds her arm, and regards him coolly.

Tony, in the squad room, tells McGee that "they've just dropped Ziva into the lion's den," and they need to be able to present what they've found so far. McGee points out that there is still a lot of information to sift through, but they think they can pin down the location of the final battle. Tony is unimpressed, and says that they already know it, but McGee points out that their evidence can confirm it. Ducky joins them, stating that all he has is cause-of-death forms, multiple bodies with 9 mm gunshot wounds, an abundance with 5.78 in the chest and abdomen, and a single large-caliber gunshot wound to the head – Cryer. McGee volunteers that they have smashed 45 caliber slugs that were found in the maintenance bay, but they can't find the one that killed Cryer. Abby confirms that there are three slugs, and none of them have human organic matter on them. They realize that the leftover slugs are missed shots – and Ziva doesn't miss.

They wonder if Bin-Gidon does, and Tony notes that he might – if something was distracting him. Tony asks Abby to give him an unsmushed 45 slug. Abby returns to her lab and shoots the gun to obtain a slug. Gibbs, striding to Interrogation, meets Tony in the hall and asks him what he has, and Tony tosses him Abby's slug. He walks into Interrogation, and Tony quickly runs to Observation.

In Interrogation, Bin-Gidon begins to rise, saying he wants to leave, but Gibbs shoves him back in his chair. Bin-Gidon winces, and Gibbs asks him if there is anything wrong with his shoulder. Bin-Gidon admits that it was a broken clavicle that has been slow to heal. In Observation, Tony and Vance smirk. Gibbs invites Ziva to sit down at the table with Bin-Gidon and tells her, "He says you killed him," and Bin-Gidon sneers that of course, she will deny it. Ziva stares at Bin-Gidon stonily, and Gibbs says that he is tired of hearing stories, and now it's his turn.

Flashback: Ziva and Cryer have their guns trained on each other. Ziva tells Cryer to put the gun down because she doesn't want to kill him, and he agrees that not dying would be a good thing. Ziva asks Cryer if he betrayed them, and Cryer points out that if he had, he would have had no compunction at killing her at that moment. Suddenly, gunfire erupts from overhead, and Bin-Gidon is shooting through the floor grate, killing Cryer.

In Interrogation, Bin-Gidon is incredulous at the story. Gibbs tells Bin-Gidon that those were his misses, on the wall, and that the bullet in the specimen jar he holds in front of Bin-Gidon's face was taken from Cryer. He then asks Bin-Gidon, "Is this the way your boss operates – sends you to burn her?" Bin-Gidon protests that Ziva is on his team, but Gibbs snaps that that doesn't mean he was happy about it. Ziva asks Bin-Gidon, quietly, if he is following orders, and Bin-Gidon doesn't reply. Gibbs tells Ziva that her father "isn't a good guy . . . he's dirty." Ziva accuses Bin-Gidon of being unable to say no to her father. Gibbs then tells Bin-Gidon to get out, to run, and to tell Eli David that Ziva is off-limits. Tony opens the door to escort Bin-Gidon out, and Bin-Gidon apologizes to Ziva. Ziva tells him, "Never apologize. It is a sign of weakness." Bin-Gidon leaves. Gibbs stares meaningfully at the camera, and Vance orders it shut off and then leaves the Observation room. Gibbs sits down across from Ziva, and tells her softly that they aren't done, and she needs to finish. Eyes downward, she tells him that he knows what happened. Gibbs wants to know what happened after they scuttled the ship and made it to land. Ziva says that her father wanted the mission completed at any cost – implying that the cost included her life. Gibbs reaches out and lightly touches Ziva's hand, and, from someone with long experience in coping with traumatic events, urges her not to bury it.

Flashback: Mogadishu, Somalia. Ziva and Bin-Gidon are climbing onto a dock from a small boat. Bin-Gidon tells her that Selim must be killed, and Ziva wonders if her father knows that two of the team is dead, and one is injured. Bin-Gidon says that her father thinks this is their best chance, but Ziva is unconvinced. Even though they may have been compromised, Ziva is determined to complete the mission alone. Bin-Gidon tells her that it is suicide, but Ziva declares that "It is what it is!", tells him goodbye, and disappears into the crowd.

Ziva goes on to tell Gibbs that she killed a courier and his gunman in order to get through Selim's defenses, and then says, "I got within a fingernail of Selim before I was overpowered. I had nothing but death in my heart." Gibbs tells her that she never had a choice – Eli David raised her to be a ruthless, soul-less killer. She admits that she did not mean to live through it, and Gibbs tells her that she didn't – that part of her died out there. She stares at him, and says, "I am sorry, Gibbs." Gibbs stands and comes around the table. Leaning close, he whispers something into her ear, and gently kisses her temple. She turns away, with a hint of a smile on her lips, and begins to cry.

Vance is on the phone with Eli David, who is shouting angrily. Vance agrees that Gibbs is "an awful son of a bitch and if he's a thorn in your side, he's a pain in my ass!" Vance attempts to soothe Eli, reassuring him that he is on Eli's side, understands that Ziva is his daughter, and that he'll keep an eye on things. David hangs up angrily, and Vance smiles at Gibbs, sitting on the other side of the desk munching on an apple. Gibbs congratulates Vance: "Not bad." Vance hands Gibbs a letter on official stationary, with "APPROVED" stamped across the top. Gibbs takes it with obvious satisfaction.

In the squad room, Ziva is sitting at her desk. McGee accuses Tony of creating the virus on his computer. Tony observes that McGee can accept the fact that Tony can create a virus, but can't accept that he can get rid of one. McGee accuses Tony of bringing in a ringer, and Tony acknowledges that would have been one way to do it, and hands McGee a pile of files, with an

admonishment to do his work. McGee refuses, because Tony violated the terms of the wager. Tony declares, "Well, I'm not doing it." McGee declares, equally firmly, "Well, I'm not, either!", and quickly, they leave the pile of files on Ziva's desk. She rises and begins to protest, but Gibbs walks by, throws the letter on her desk and tells her, "Get to work...Probie." She picks up the letter, and as she reads, it, a big smile appears on her face.

Code of Conduct

Season 7
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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Perry Anzilotti (Ted Rogers), Teo Olivares ("Speak"), Daniel Lee Robertson III ("See"), Patric Knutsson ("Hear"), Mona Patterson (Ballerina #1), Lu Patterson (Ballerina #2), Brian Patrick Wade (Marine Private David Singer), McKinley Freeman (Marine Sergeant Ross Barnes), Stefanie von Pfetten (Sara Korby), Brooke Nevin (Rachael Sparks)
Production Code: 143
Summary: When a Marine known for his love of practical jokes is found dead on Halloween, the NCIS team is called in to investigate, and they soon learn that his jokes may have been the reason why someone killed him.



A group of teenagers in monkey masks are toilet-papering a house just before Halloween. They are filming themselves doing it. A light in the house goes on, and the teenagers scurry to hide across the street. While hiding, they notice the Corbys' car sitting in the driveway, with the engine running and the radio playing loudly. They laugh that Corby, a noted prankster, must be getting a big joke

ready. They are inspired to play a prank on him, and creep up on the car with the film running. They notice the inside of the car is filled with smoke, and see a garden hose running from the exhaust into the car. Concerned, one of them opens the driver's door, and Corby falls out, frozen into a sitting position.

Tony enters the squad room while on the phone with a friend from his days on the Baltimore police force. He is placing his bets on the "larceny lotto", a betting pool where the police each throw in \$200 and bet what the final number and types on calls on Mischief Night (the night before Halloween) and Halloween. McGee reminisces about growing up on base at Alameda and taking the base commander's bedroom suite and placing it on the runway. Gibbs calls the team to investigate a dead Marine, and tosses the car keys to "Agent David," who snatches them gleefully.

At the Corby's, McGee identifies the victim as Lance Corporal James Corby, who has just returned from a tour of Afghanistan. The team initially believes a suicide by carbon monoxide, but when Ducky arrives, he points out that the skin is not the cherry red that would be a symptom of such a poison, which puts a whole new slant on the puzzle: Corby was dead and the suicide was staged. Tony interviews the toilet-papering teens, who disclose that Corby was a well-known practical joker. The T.P. victim, a Mr. Rogers (complete with oddly combed hair and red sweater) confirms that Corby was an annoying prankster. Ducky is puzzled when the

victim's liver temperature seems unusually cold, and can't determine a time of death. Tony and Ziva examine Corby's garage, and note many Halloween pranks and a possible crime scene. When Corby's body is removed from the car, the body is unusually rigid, and makes an odd crackling sound when the body is laid flat. Ducky discovers that the tissues in Corby's throat are frozen solid.

In the squad room, McGee notes that Lance Corporal Corby has a serious blemish on his Marine record, for dereliction of duty. He displays a picture of Corby's wife, Sarah, a very attractive blonde. Tony immediately theorizes that Sarah killed Corby, and McGee drily asks if they should even bother investigating, "or just go ahead and arrest her." Ziva, hanging up the phone, reports that Sarah Corby had spent the night in Virginia Beach at a spa, which Tony finds suspicious so soon after Corby's return from Afghanistan, and declares again that "the wife did it." Sarah Corby and her step-daughter arrive in the squad room, to identify her husband's body.

Tony interviews Sarah Corby, who tells him that her agreement with her husband was that he could spend Halloween concocting his elaborate practical jokes, and she would spend Halloween relaxing at a spa. Rachel, the stepdaughter spent the evening at a friend's house, and Tony discovers that Rachel is actually the daughter of Sarah's second husband.

In Autopsy, Ducky observes that "it's an interesting date for such a ghoulish demise." Palmer, attempting his own humor, pipes up, "Yeah, it's a really cool way to go!" Ducky is not amused, and Palmer is befuddled that yet another of his jokes has fallen flat. Gibbs joins them and learns that Corby died by ingesting liquid nitrogen, and Palmer gives a quick demonstration of the effect of liquid nitrogen on organic material – in this case, a hollowed-out pumpkin. Ducky reveals that Corby actually suffocated, as the nitrogen entered his lungs, and that his death was not instantaneous, and estimates the time of death between 10 pm and midnight. Palmer inadvertently drops the frozen pumpkin, which loudly shatters like glass.

McGee and Ziva are watching the teenagers' video of their toilet-papering, and McGee is admiring their technique, to Ziva's confusion. Tony, meanwhile, is trying to obtain a copy of Sarah Corby's file. Ziva asks, sarcastically, if Tony's "gut ever gives him a stomach ache." Suddenly, Gibbs appears, carrying three hot beverage cups, and begins to hand out hot cider to the astonished team, and genially exclaims, "Happy Halloween!" After the team takes an appreciative sip, Gibbs stops smiling and declares the "break" over, and they return to the video. After determining that Mr. Rogers has made several complaints, Gibbs snatches the cups from Tony and Ziva and order them to interview Mr. Rogers.

At Mr. Roger's house, Mr. Rogers is annoyed at the knock on the door, thinking it is trick-or-treaters. Reluctantly, he opens the door, and reveals that he is a Asian market commodities trader, who works at night. He has a solid alibi for his whereabouts the evening before. While he is talking to Tony, two ballerina trick-or-treaters approach the door, and Mr. Rogers sourly gives them two cans of energy drinks.

Gibbs enters Abby's lab, and is startled by all of the moaning and screaming Halloween characters, which have been moved from Corby's garage to Abby's lab. Abby tells him that many of the characters are motion-sensitive, and to move slowly. He observes that she's not wearing a costume this year, and Abby tells him that "After last year's Jonas Brothers debacle, Vance banned costumes. McGee – skinny jeans – didn't work . . ." Abby shows Gibbs an auto in the video at the time of death. It's indistinct, but she can produce a license number, which is livery number from the car pool at Quantico. She also shows that the analysis of Corby's stomach showed mysterious traces of turpentine, acetone and benzene in his flesh. She points out that while he died of liquid nitrogen the night before, he had actually been poisoned by paint thinner two months earlier.

The next morning, McGee is sorting through his leftover Halloween candy. Tony snatches some, and then smugly announces that the wife did it, because she has been married three times, all three have died, and she has collected insurance from all three. Ziva is skeptical, since the first two died in the line of duty. Gibbs asks for evidence, but Tony has none. McGee reports that the car that was checked out of Quantico is still missing. Gibbs demands to see Corby's file, but Central Files will not release it until the after-action report is declassified. Tony tells him that it's only been 72 hours, and they are waiting on the report. Gibbs tells him, "Wait faster," and then he and Ziva go to interview Corby's squad leader, Sergeant Ross Barnes.

Barnes is up for a promotion. Corby was also up for promotion, but Barnes' recommendation was unenthusiastic. They discuss Corby's penchant for practical jokes, and Barnes admits that

half the squad really liked him, but he annoyed the other half. Ziva reveals that Corby was poisoned with paint thinner, and Barnes admit that he was ill for a few days, but it was dismissed as a stomach virus. Barnes' alibi for the night of the murder was that he was on base the entire time completing paperwork, and points out (after some prodding and a undertone threat from Gibbs that all promotions will be held) that Private David Singer had had a fight with Corby.

Tony and Gibbs visit Singer at Quantico. Singer is tall and very muscular. He admits that he and Corby disagreed about Corby's brand of humor, and that what was funny in the barracks wasn't so funny in battle. His alibi for the evening was that he was in Norfolk, visiting a friend. Tony implies that the friend is selling steroids, to account for Singer's physique. When Gibbs asks the name of the friend, Singer hesitates, and Tony sarcastically asks him if he heard, pointing out that "short term memory loss and shrunken testicles are signs" Singer asks Tony if he has ever been shot at, and Tony calmly replies, "Once or twice." Singer goes on to describe battle, and how Corby's pranks were inappropriate. Singer then tells Gibbs that he was with a high school buddy.

Back at the office, McGee tells Gibbs that, in lieu of the files, he talked directly to Central Command in Afghanistan via MTAC, and put together a brief history of the unit, which wasn't good – multiple transfer requests, complaints, and they were deemed to not be combat-ready two different times. Tony wonders if Corby's pranks were contributing to the decline of the unit, but McGee reports that the problems started two months ago – about the time that Corby was poisoned. McGee wonders if it's a case of lack of discipline, but Gibbs suggests that it could just as easily be too much discipline.

In Autopsy, Ducky is wrapping up the examination, but points out to Gibbs that Corby's body showed evidence of being beaten by multiple people, at least four, given the bruising on his wrists and ankles, and the broken ribs – carefully beaten to hurt, but not seriously injure. Gibbs mutters, "Code Red," implying that he received a beating from members of his squad in an attempt to impose discipline.

Tony, trailed by Ziva and McGee, is walking through the office and calls a "mobile campfire" to discuss what they know. He ducks into the men's room, with instructions to "Probies, talk louder, I can hear you in there." Ziva, calling through the door, reminds Tony that McGee has been at NCIS for six years, and she has been there for four, and that "we ARE agents, so can you PLEASE stop calling us . . . !" To Ziva's surprise, Gibbs comes out of the men's room, inquiring "Problem, Probie? You've been an agent all of one week – your Mossad liaison days are over." Gibbs calls Tony and prompts the "mobile campfire", as they go over the evidence that they have. McGee and Ziva leave to interview the members of the squad that were in the area that evening.

In Abby's lab, McGee is holding a cup of Caf-Pow hostage until Abby gives him some information. She is fascinated by Corby's phone, which documents all of his pranks (including 600 pizzas delivered to the base commander's house). She acknowledges that she can't find the murder weapon, so it was probably nearby – which is why she is having a four-block area swept by Haz-Mat. Palmer joins them, lugging the liquid nitrogen container. An analysis she is running finishes up, and she is surprised that Corby's lungs contained odd particles of chicken stock, coffee beans and cocoa – but those items weren't found in the victim's stomach. Palmer adds that the nitrogen gas probably carried the particles into the lungs, perhaps from food residue inside of the container containing the liquid nitrogen, such as a thermos. Gibbs is impressed, and gives Palmer a head slap and Abby a kiss on the cheek and her drink. Abby is smug – she is still "the favorite."

Tony visits the Corby home, and finds Sarah and Rachel clearing the garage. He asks Sarah if she knows about Corby being poisoned, and notes that "you seem to be attracted to men who have a hard time staying alive." Sarah is defensive, pointing out that she is drawn to the military, having grown up in it. Private Singer appears in the driveway, holding a large bouquet of flowers. Sarah and Tony are startled at his appearance, and Singer formally offers his condolences. Tony observes that he is the third wheel, and excuses himself.

At the office, Tony is considering what he has learned about Sarah, and admits to McGee and Ziva that he may have been wrong about her. McGee and Ziva had no luck with their interviews of the squad members. Gibbs comes in, tosses Tony the sign-out log for the company's base, and tells him to look at page 28. They see that Sergeant Barnes signed out of base at 19:18. McGee, examining the after-action reports that have finally been released, notes that Barnes also lied about his promotion – according to the reports, the promotion had already been denied three

months earlier, due to "unsatisfactory leadership." Gibbs demands that he be brought in.

Ziva and Tony thread their way through an Oktoberfest celebration, complete with polka music and beer, towards where Barnes is sitting with some friends at a table. They confront him, and he resists, accidentally knocking over a waitress dressed in a German folk costume. Ziva quickly subdues Barnes by forcing him face-first into a plate of potato salad and handcuffing him. When his friends jump up to help him, Tony produces his badge, and then deftly takes Barnes' wallet, removes a bill, and hands it to the waitress to pay for the beer that Barnes knocked over.

In Interrogation, Gibbs accuses Barnes of poisoning Corby because he cost Barnes a promotion, and when that didn't work, he finished the job here in the States. He points out that Barnes lied about being on-base that night, and commands him, "Man up, Marine." Barnes admits that he was doing it for Corby's own good, and tells Gibbs a story about an accident that Corby was involved in that could have endangered the company, but everyone thought it was just one of Corby's jokes backfiring. Barnes says that he knew about the Code Red, but thought it might do Corby good to get "straightened out." He admits that he put only a drop of paint thinner in Corby's coffee, hoping that he would be sent home on medical leave before someone got hurt, but the men in the unit found out and lost respect for him. As a result, the unit fell apart. But Barnes denies killing Corby, stating that he was in a strip club that night, trying to talk to his seniors and get his promotion back on track. Gibbs observes, "That's not going to happen."

In the squad room, Gibbs is sitting down as Tony asks if there's any more cider, as he found it "de-ciderly delicious," a joke that falls flat. McGee tells Gibbs that Barnes' alibi checks out, and Tony insists that the wife is holding something back. Gibbs points out that since a Marine vehicle was at the scene, it would tend to point to a Marine being involved. McGee tells Gibbs that he has been routinely checking the financials for all the unit members, and found something odd about Singer's: Apparently, the evening of the murder, Singer was ordering champagne and caviar room service in the same hotel where Sarah Corby was staying in Virginia Beach.

Tony is interviewing Singer in Interrogation, and theorizes that Singer and Sarah Corby were enjoying each other's company, and then Singer left and stayed out all night, presumably to kill Corby. Singer doesn't respond, and Tony wonders if it's because he's innocent, guilty, or just covering up for Sarah Corby. He gets up and shoots a triumphant look at the Observation room, where Gibbs and Ziva are watching. Ziva observes, to Gibbs' amusement, that "if Tony is right about the wife, I will never live it down!" Tony enters, triumphant that Singer is about to point to Corby, and McGee joins them, showing that Sarah Corby's credit card was used to purchase a new garden hose and duct tape the week before. Ziva mutters, "I don't believe it!" as Tony looks smug.

Later, Sarah Corby is sitting in Interrogation. Tony and Gibbs walk in and tells her that they know about her affair with Singer, and suggest that she encouraged Singer to kill Corby using the hose she had purchased. She tells them that Singer didn't leave the hotel – she did. She felt guilty, and, borrowing Singer's car, returned to her home to confess to Corby, but only sat in the car in front of the house for a while before she lost her nerve and returned to the hotel to break it off with Singer. Tony is skeptical, and pulls out the handcuffs and prepares to arrest her, but Gibbs stops him, and, springing up, tells Tony to join him in the Evidence Garage.

In the squad room, Gibbs quickly tells McGee to pull up the video tape, and they see Corby's car parked in front of the house. Gibbs then joins Tony and Ziva in the garage, where they examine the driver's side of the car. He tells Gibbs to get in, but the seat is too far forward – he can't. Ziva observes that no one has moved the seat. Gibbs points out that, when the kids took the video, the car was in the street, but later, the car was in the driveway. They consider this for a moment, and then Gibbs asks for the financial records from the death of Sarah's second husband.

Rachel is leaving the house, and, hearing a car in the driveway, calls out to Sarah that she was just getting ready to go for a run. She is surprised to find not Sarah, but Gibbs and Tony standing in the driveway. Gibbs holds up a thermos wrapped in plastic – which was found in Rachel's friend's trashcan. Tony points out that there's traces of liquid nitrogen in it, and points out that everyone at the party was so drunk that they didn't see her slip out, and that she is the one that used Sarah's credit card to purchase the hose and the duct tape. Tony then goes on to describe how Rachel fixed a thermos of cocoa for her stepfather, but he was too preoccupied to notice the liquid nitrogen until it was too late. Rachel protests, but Tony and Gibbs points out

that she has a trust fund left to her by her biological father that was under Sarah's control until she was 25, and that with Corby's death, she would inherit a total of \$500,000. If Sarah was in jail, then Rachel would receive the money immediately. Rachel confessed, declaring how much she disliked Sarah and Corby. As she is being arrested, she asks what will happen to her money, and Gibbs tells her that she can have it in five years. Tony quips, "Yeah, it will go a long way in the prison gift shop."

The next morning, McGee enters and is greeted cheerfully by Ziva, who offers him a cup of coffee. He accepts it with surprise, and takes an appreciative sip. He sits at his computer and begins to punch keys, but they are frozen. Suddenly, foam erupts from between the keys of the keyboard, and McGee observes, with resignation, "Abby" Tony bounces in, happy that he has won the Larceny Lotto pool. When McGee wonders if Tony is going to buy lunch that day, Tony tells him, "I didn't keep the money, McNopoly!" and goes on to say that he has donated it to charity, an urban youth group. Ziva tells Tony that she has been thinking about her place as a new agent, and, offering him his own cup of coffee, goes on to add, "And your place as" Tony finishes the sentence: "As your superior in every way." Ziva takes a deep breath and agrees. "Yes. But for my sanity, can you not call me Probie?" Tony, with a completely straight face, tells her, "But I say it with love." Ziva narrows her eyes at him, and he continues, "And if I refuse?" and Ziva admits, reluctantly, "You are Senior Field Agent, and I am – entirely – at your mercy." Tony, accepting the coffee, accepts her capitulation gracefully: "As you should be," and takes an appreciative gulp of the coffee. Ziva smiles broadly, and as Tony smiles in response, we see that the "coffee" has, unbeknownst to him, stained his teeth a bright blue-green. Trick or treat!

Outlaws and In-Laws

Season 7
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Recurring Role: Muse Watson (Mike Franks)
Guest Stars: Donald Sage MacKay (Navy Commander Kerry Killmartin), Lela Loren (NCIS Special Agent Isabella Cortez), Paul Telfer (Marine Corporal Damon Werth), Tehima Sunny (Leyla Shakarji), Diane Venora (Shada Shakarki), Robert Patrick (Colonel Merton Bell), Marlon John (PMC #2)
Production Code: 144
Summary: When one of Gibbs' boats is found with two murdered soldiers, Gibbs is forced to investigate the involvement of his mentor Mike Franks, and prevent a possible international confrontation.



Near Mexico, the U.S. Navy finds a small sailboat approaching a ship. An agent named Cortez sees the ship is carrying two dead bodies.

Later, Tony and McGee see that Ziva is passed out at her desk. McGee says it is probably a trap. Ziva explains that Gibbs and Ducky left late last night to go to Mexico. Ziva says she is studying to be a U.S. citizen in order to be an agent.

Tony says he represents the American Dream. Gibbs calls McGee and tells him they will receive two dead bodies. Cortez reports to Vance that the bodies were found in a boat that was registered to Gibbs. Ducky finds pesos in the pockets of the victims. Gibbs explains the boat was given as a gift. They go to a house at the beach. Vance checks the house and tells Gibbs that Mike Franks is not there.

Gibb's boat is brought back to the lab. Abby says she wants to figure out how Gibbs got the boat out of his basement. Gibbs reports to Vance that the victims were Calvin Blanchad and Roy Keenan who were both dishonorably discharged from the military. Vance tells Gibbs that the men were looking for Mike. They wonder if Mike killed the men, loaded them on the boat, then sent them off. Vance orders Gibbs to find Mike.

Gibbs goes to the morgue and is told the men were shot multiple times by a large caliber weapon. Ducky suspects that Mike crossed the line from being a cowboy to an outlaw. He says the bodies were dragged into the boat. Ducky figures the discovery of the boat was intentional.

Gibbs asks Abby if the firefight happened on the boat. She says she found bullets that indicate the victims were executed. She also finds another bullet from a smaller caliber gun in the side. Gibbs figures the firefight started before the boat was in the water. Gibbs tells Abby to take the boat apart to find out what happened.

Tony tells Ziva that the American dream means that any idiot can become a success. Tony tells Gibbs he doesn't think the victims knew Franks at all. Later, Gibbs hears people in his

house. He discovers that Amira and Leyla are there. Leyla says Mike is right behind her. Mike asks Gibbs if he is going to help him or shoot him. Gibbs asks Mike why the two men were after him. Mike says he hoped he would tell him why. Mike explains he learned from a bartender that the men were looking for him. He says he never saw the men in his whole life. He apologizes for using the boat, but says he wanted to be investigated by him. Gibbs asks him to give up being tough. Mike assures him he would never put his daughter and granddaughter in jeopardy. Gibbs tells him to leave the investigation to them.

Back in the office, the team learns that Calvin and Roy became private contractors after they left the military. Ziva reports they worked for a man named Merton Bell. Vance asks the team where Mike Franks is. Gibbs says he doesn't know where he is. Vance tells Gibbs he has the same friends as Merton. Vance explains he doesn't want Merton to think they were harboring a murderer. Gibbs admits that Mike is at his house.

Tony and Ziva arrive at the house to watch Mike's family. He tells him that McGee is going to drive him to the NCIS.

Vance meets with Merton and asks him what Calvin and Roy were doing. Merton explains the men were there to make sure a school goes up on schedule. Gibbs tells Merton he knows the men he hired have a history of violence and insubordination. Gibbs asks Merton if he knew his men were in Mexico carrying weapons. Merton says they accepted a contract. Vance asks him why they were carrying out a contract on Mike Franks, but he doesn't recognize him. Merton tells Vance that justice has to be done.

Mike arrives and asks Gibbs if Merton was the man who tried to kill him. Gibbs informs him that Leyla's family from Iraq hired the men to find her. Gibbs tells Mike to look in the mirror if he wants to see who the real bad guy is.

Vance tells Mike he doesn't look very remorseful. He explains the men didn't look like they meant him any harm. Gibbs explains that Leyla's family disowned her. Mike explains that Leyla's mother Shada is the head of a prominent Iraqi tribe. He says he doesn't think Shada is going to let Leyla live a happy life in Mexico. Vance asks what happened. He explains how he shot the men, loaded them on the boat then shot them again to make sure they were dead. Mike claims it was self defense. Vance orders Gibbs to take Mike's statement.

McGee finds Abby using a chain saw to take apart Gibb's boat. She tells him she found a secret box that is now empty. She also says she found a .22 bullet that was stuck in a .45 bullet. They call Tony and ask him if there is a hidden door in the basement. Abby and McGee finish their analysis of the bullets and find one of them came from a third shooter.

Ziva plays with Amira. Leyla tells Ziva she fell in love with Liam at first sight. She says it was difficult to leave Iraq. Leyla tells Tony their home in Mexico was simple. Tony asks her if she was inside when the firefight started. He asks her where Amira was, but she doesn't respond.

McGee tells Gibbs how Shada became an influential person in Iraq. Ducky calls Gibbs to the lab. Abby and Ducky tell Gibbs they are there for an intervention. They explain that Mike is making the investigation more difficult. Ducky informs Gibbs that Mike is lying to them. They tell Gibbs that they think someone else shot the men. Gibbs figures someone with a rifle shot and killed the men and Mike covered it up by shooting them in their wounds with his own gun.

Gibbs takes Mike's statement before he completes it. Gibbs reminds him of a story about a boy who went hunting with his father's best friend. They boy accidentally shot the friend and brought the body back to his father. The father felt like he let both of them down, then shot the man with his own gun in order to protect his son. Mike rips up the report and asks him when he figured out what happened. McGee tells Gibbs that Shada is on her way to D.C.

McGee poses as a limo driver, picks up Shada and brings her to the office. Vance asks Mike how the report is going and he admits that Gibbs found out what really happened. Gibbs explains that Mike wanted to protect his family. Vance asks Mike to meet with Shada to work things out between her and her daughter. Mike enters the room and tells her she should know who he is. She tells him she has been tracking his every move ever since his son impregnated her daughter. Shada asks why he hid her family, but he says she disowned her. Shada says things changed and Leyla and Amira are her blood. Shada says she wanted to rescue her children from him. Shada says she was assured it would not turn violent. Mike says he didn't fire the first shot. He admits he wasn't ready when the men arrived because he was playing with his granddaughter. He says they saw the men pointing guns at them when he was on the boat. He says Leyla saw the men and shot them with a rifle. Mike tells Shada the family is safer with him than with her.

Shada admits that she made a payment and Merton guaranteed he will get her family back.

Gibbs calls Ziva and informs them that Merton's men might be coming. A flash grenade is thrown in the room which knocks out Ziva and Tony. Masked men enter the house and one of them recognizes Ziva. The gunman, Damon, says he is there to rescue a daughter, but Ziva informs him he is actually going to kidnap. After an argument, Damon and Ziva knock out the rest of the men.

Later, Damon tells Merton he quits. Merton says he never broke any laws, but Gibbs says the Mexican authorities want him because bounty hunting is illegal in their country. Gibbs places him under arrest to hand him over to the Federales. Meanwhile, Shada visits Leyla, Mike and Amira at the house in Mexico.

Endgame

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Guest Stars: Kent Shocknek (Guy Ross), Leonard Wu (Navy Midshipman Alex Delapena), Theodore Perkins (Army Cadet Clay Waring), Alla Korot (Linda DeMarco), Penny Johnson Jerald (Joanne Torrence), Lindy Booth (Amanda Barrow), Todd Lowe (NCIS Special Agent Chad Dunham), Kelly Hu (Lee Wuan Kai), Paula Newsome (Jackie Vance)
Production Code: 145
Summary: Vance's family is once again put into danger when an assassin from his past returns to threaten their safety, and the team works on helping Vance face his troubled past.



As a group of soldiers go on a run through the woods, they notice an abandoned car. Upon closer inspection, they find keys in the ignition and several needles in the back seat. Around a bush, they find a dead body.

At the office, Tony steals a CD from McGee's desk and plays it on his computer. He explains to Ziva that they are self-help CDs called Download Your Des-

tiny that McGee ordered. Tony giggles as they play an audio of a talking man. Gibbs tells the team they have a case about a man who was shot. At a cafe, McGee gets a large order of coffee and pastries. A woman named Amanda offers to help and introduces herself. After McGee gets a call, McGee asks Amanda to grab his phone which is in his pocket. He asks her if she would like to meet with him later and she leaves her number on his phone.

The team learns the victim was Doctor Elan Cirreux. They see Elan practiced in D.C. and Paris. Tony tells McGee he knows he met someone and asks what her name was. Ziva reports she found surgical thread at the scene and wonders why Elan operated outside of the hospital. Vance arrives and says he thinks the person who was operated on didn't want to be noticed. Ducky reports the doctor was shot twice and died painfully. Vance informs the team he thinks the killer is Lee Wuan Kai who was wounded in Los Angeles. He figures Kai carjacked Cirreux and forced him to operate on her before she killed him. Vance says in some ways he knows Kai better than he knows himself. Vance orders the team to find Kai and use deadly force.

They team learns about Kai's record of killing several targets. Tony says he thinks Kai is attractive. Tony asks McGee if the person he met is a redhead. McGee says he knows he took his motivational CDs. They learn that Cirreux had a sexual assault lawsuit filed against him by a Linda Demarco. They see that Linda wanted Cirreux dead.

Vance tells Gibbs that he met Kai several years ago. He says he shot Kai, but she got up and shot him and killed his partner. Vance says Kai put the gun to his head, but didn't kill him. Vance says the Serbians call Kai, Utvara, which means the Phantom.

McGee and Tony go to Linda's house. Tony gives McGee pointers on what he should do during his dates. After they knock on the door, they hear a shotgun pump. Linda shoots through the door just after the team jumps out of the way. Tony and McGee identify themselves as Federal agents and arrest her. Back at the station, Gibbs says he doesn't think Linda killed Cirreux since her alibi checks out.

At the lab, Ducky reports he found a hair on Cirreux that was tied into a bow. Gibbs wonders if it is a message. Ducky says it is a perfect DNA sample. Abby says she found the hair belongs to Kai.

At home, Vance tells his wife Jackie he is not hungry. He asks her where she sent the kids and she says they went to a friend's place for movie night. After Jackie figures Vance is working on the Kai case, she says she is going to take dinner off. Vance gets a call from Kai. She says Washington is beautiful. Vance says he has people looking for her. Vance texts Gibbs and informs him he has Kai on the line. Gibbs orders the team to mobilize. Vance offers to get her some help for her wounds. Kai says she has something she has to take care of. McGee locates Kai's phone in front of Vance's house and texts Vance. Vance grabs his gun to confront Kai, but Jackie is standing between them. Kai speeds off in her car.

The team assembles at Vance's house. Gibbs suggests Ziva stay the night. Vance says there is no point in running because he can't hide. Jackie says she is not going anywhere without him. Jackie says she always felt safe until now. Jackie informs Vance she is his partner now. Vance orders Gibbs to assign agents to his house.

At the office, Tony reports the car that Kai was driving was stolen from an airport. McGee tells Gibbs that he saw an article about a pilot who was reported missing. Gibbs instructs Abby to dust the plane for Kai's prints.

Later, McGee meets with Amanda and tells her he has to run back to work after fifteen minutes. McGee suggests they go for a walk. Amanda suggests they grab dessert later since she is working on a paper.

The next day, Tony realizes that McGee is becoming more manly. He tells McGee that he is proud of him.

CIA Agent Dunham arrives at the office. Dunham says he was working at the Korean border when he first heard of Kai. He explains Kim Jong Ill hired Kai to work for him. They figure that Kai was part of a government program where they turned orphans into assassins. Tony reports that the North Korean government has become impatient with Kai recently. Dunham says Kai is in town at the same time as Pak Su Ji who ran the program and now works at the UN.

Tony goes to the woman's bathroom to meet with Ziva. She says although she is attracted to Dunham, she wants to settle down.

Abby tells McGee that the bullets that Kai used were different than the ones they found in Los Angeles. She suspects that Kai used the smaller caliber on the doctor to inflict the maximum amount of pain. Abby tells McGee that she is happy that he found someone.

Gibbs shares his theory about Kai looking to kill Pak. Vance asks what Kai really wants. Ziva tells Vance to turn on the TV. They see a report of a sniper attack on Pak. The reporter states Pak was wounded and on his way to the hospital. They wonder if Pak is off her game. They wonder who Kai is working for now. Vance informs the team there is a message from the State Department. They learn the North Koreans have disavowed Kai and she is acting on her own.

Tony wonders if Kai is teasing Vance. He asks the team if they think Kai is trying to impress Vance. They see Amanda enter the office. Tony admits he called security and allowed her to come up. McGee introduces Amanda to the team. Tony suggests he give Amanda a tour of the office. McGee and Amanda get on an elevator where they kiss. Amanda asks McGee to meet her the next day for coffee.

In Vance's car, he notices an envelope. He sees a picture of Kai with a gun when she was young with the words, 'Why?' written on it. Vance gets a call and learns Pak passed away.

At the lab, Abby tells Gibbs she found both Cirreux and Pak had hand, foot and mouth disease contracted late in life. She says Pak died from a poison. She explains all the bullets found in the victim were laced with a drug called atropa belladonna. Abby says she thinks Pak had a back up plan if the bullets didn't kill her targets.

In the morning, McGee tells Amanda something didn't seem right last night. He asks her how she knew where he worked. Amanda asks where Kai is as she pulls out a gun. Amanda is shot in the chest. McGee looks up and sees Kai with a scoped handgun just before she disappears.

Back at the office, the team learns that Amanda was really Juliet Tippon who was hired by the North Koreans to find Kai. They wonder why Kai saved McGee's life. Gibbs orders McGee to connect Pak to Cirreux. Tony says both victims didn't have kids and they both had hand, foot and mouth disease. Gibbs has Abby load up the old photos of Kai when she was being trained to be an assassin. They notice that Pak and Cirreux were both at the training camp. Vance figures Kai is murdering the people who turned her into a killer.

Ducky explains that Cirreux made the girls into killers. He suspects since Kai never had any real relationships, she formed a strange one with Vance. Ducky compares Vance's hunt for Kai as a kind of courtship. Ducky figures that Vance has been Kai's partner the whole time. Vance returns home and finds Jackie is being held at gunpoint. He sees the agents who were watching them are down. Kai appears and admits she waited for his kids to leave then tranquilized the agents. Vance says he knows what the doctor and Pak did to her. Kai pushes Jackie aside and tells Vance she is counting on him to finish her. Vance tells Kai he can help her. Kai says he already has helped her by hunting her. Jackie grabs a gun and shoots Kai in the back. The NCIS team arrives and takes Kai's body away.

Power Down

Season 7

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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Cara Buono (Navy Commander Sarah Resnik), Ryan Honey (Colin Stone), Roger Ranney (Elevator Repairman), Frank Caeti (Gamer Nerd), Corey Sorenson (Anthony Paxton), Roderick McCarthy (Dane Frazier)
Production Code: 146
Summary: The team needs to use other resources when an attempted robbery leads to the death of a Lieutenant and the entire city suffers a major blackout.



A thirty-something gaming nerd is playing an on-line, and suddenly loses his internet connection.irate, he complains loudly to his mother and smacks the internet connection box, from an internet company called Swiftcast, in frustration. The scene segues to Swiftcast headquarters, where a gun battle is taking place between security guards and masked gunmen. A security guard is struck, falls

and pulled to safety. The two security guards wonder what the gunmen are after, as one of the masked gunmen holds a hand-held radio device. As the device is triggered, the power goes out surrounding the building . . . and then throughout Washington, D.C.

In the squad room, Tony is sitting at his desk, fruitlessly attempting to turn on his computer, use his phone, or even turn on his desk lamp, with no success. He pulls out his cell phone, and begins to play a game. Jimmy stops by and tells him that all the cell towers are down, too, but Tony retorts that he's just playing Bing Ball, since that seems to be the only thing that works. Jimmy is excited that he is being sent to a sit-rep – his first. Tony is unimpressed, and observes that with the complete power outage, the back-up generators are only powering MTAC, and basic lights and communications. "And autopsy freezers," adds Jimmy helpfully. Tony makes a face, and wonders when Gibbs, McGee and Ziva will arrive. Jimmy tells him that McGee and Ziva never left the previous night – they were on the elevator when the power went out, and have spent the entire night in the elevator.

In the elevator, McGee is furious – they have been trapped for nine hours and twenty-one minutes. His pacing and fretting is wearing on Ziva, and she snatches his watch and throws it against the elevator wall, smashing it. "Why did you do that?" he exclaims, and she tells him, "It was either you or the watch!" She tells him it could be a lot worse – they could be stuck in the elevator with Tony. However, Tony overhears them, thanks to a plastic safety cone he has pressed against the elevator to listen through the door. He begins to make suggestive observations, and Ziva tells McGee to ignore him: "He's just like an annoying bug – he'll go away." Tony offers to sing

them a song, but McGee asks for an update, instead. A technician is working to open the door manually, as Tony tells them that there was an explosion at a Potomac Electric substation that caused a cascade failure that knocked out power in half the district and they hope to have the power back on soon. Ziva observes that Gibbs is probably feeling right at home, since he doesn't need power to drink bourbon and use hand tools. After a moment of silence, McGee guesses, "He's right behind you, isn't he?" Tony admits that he is. Gibbs tells Tony to grab his gear – there is a dead Navy lieutenant at an internet provider. Tony is momentarily surprised that Gibbs is planning to work, but quickly gets with the program. McGee and Ziva spring from the elevator as the door is opened, but is greeted by Gibbs tossing him them their gear and commenting, "You're late, McGee."

At Swiftcast, Tony is kneeling by the dead lieutenant, Lt. Emma Paxton, as he is joined by Ducky and Jimmy, who got lost, as usual. She was identified by a credit card tucked in her boot. McGee, Tony and Ducky wonder why a naval officer was involved in the assault. Gibbs interviews the injured security guard, Colin Stone, who tells them there were three people, and that he was able to stop the woman and cuff her, but that her friends must have shot her. "So she could not talk," surmises Ziva. The guards describe how the gunmen entered "the farm", an extremely high security area where all the internet servers are kept. McGee wanders around the server towers, taking photographs, and rejoins Gibbs. He notes that there are probably millions of proprietary trade secrets stored in the servers, but they won't know what's missing until an inventory is done. Gibbs and McGee then study the retinal scanner that controls the magnetic locks, and McGee realizes that the power failure was the only way to spring the locks. As McGee continues to take pictures, his digital camera dies, to his frustration. Gibbs reaches into his gear bag, silently withdraws an old Polaroid SX-70 instant camera from the early 1970s and hands it to McGee, who is bemused by the antique. McGee asks Gibbs if he has any food in his bag, too, and Gibbs withdraws a tin of food, but McGee decides against it. Tony and Ziva report that they have found tire tracks and an eyewitness, and Ziva tells Gibbs that she's alerted Potomac Electric as to the possible connection between the break-in and the power outage. As Ziva is detailing the extensive power failure, Gibbs silently hands McGee a film pack for the camera. They begin to realize that, if they don't have power for days, they can't run fingerprints through IAFIS, run facial-recognition software, or even access their photos from digital equipment. Gibbs reaches further into his bag, and pulls out an old Polaroid One Step and tosses it to Ziva, and hands Tony yet a different camera. They examine the cameras, perplexed – most of the cameras are older than they are.

In the squad room, McGee is organizing the information that they have on Emma Paxton. He tacks a photo up on the wall, as well as a photocopy of her service record. As he is detailing his findings, Tony points and clicks the remote that they would normally use on the screen at McGee, to "move" him on to each point, to McGee's annoyance. Apparently, Paxton is a model officer who works for AFE – Armed Forces Entertainment. Abby has been given the cast of the tire prints that were found, and they now have a sketch of one of the other gunmen. They quickly move to put out a BOLO, call the husband, and review her banking records – but then suddenly realize that, without power, they can't.

In her lab, Abby is irate – her delicate machinery wasn't allowed to power down property, and will need extensive diagnostics before they can be brought back on-line when the power returns. Plus, she has no Caff-Pow, and is attempting to make her own. ("I'm trying to make my own, here, but I'm missing, like, 400 ingredients!") She is irate that Autopsy has power and she doesn't: "What does Autopsy have that I don't have?" "Corpses," responds Gibbs. "OK, I'll get corpses!" she retorts. She then goes on to tell Gibbs that she will have to run the tire i.d. by hand, and it is going to take much longer than he is used to. As Gibbs leaves, the batteries in her boom box die, much to her dismay.

In the squad room, Tony, McGee and Ziva are examining an old mimeograph machine, unsure how it works. Ziva touches it, but jumps back, startled, when one of the levers snaps forward. Gibbs grins, and as McGee comments, "We found this down in storage – now we just have to find a brontosaurus that knows how to use it," Gibbs steps forward, expertly snaps in the drawing, flips a few levers, rotates the drum, and out pops a copy of the picture. The team is impressed.

Gibbs interviews Paxton's husband, and shows him the copy of the photo, asking him if he knows who it is. Paxton is distraught, and insists that his wife was a victim and not "with" the other men. "But I don't expect you to understand," he adds, bitterly. He catches the look in Gibbs'

face, and then realizes, "But you do, don't you?" He begins to sob, quietly, as Gibbs looks away. Paxton declares that his wife was a proud American, third-generation Navy, and he just wants to be able to bury her with full military honors. McGee interrupts the interview to tell Gibbs that the inventory at Swiftcast is complete, and, to everyone's surprise, nothing appears to be missing.

Tony comes dashing into the squad room, gleefully carrying a large mounted map and declaring that every cop show has a map on their cork board. "Haven't you ever seen *Dragnet*? *Baretta*? *Kojak*? He is astonished that no one knows what he's talking about, and pulls out a lollipop, a la *Kojak*: "Who loves you, baby?" he mimics, but stops at Gibbs' stare. The team reviews what they know – which is very little at this point – and Gibbs tells them to interview Lt. Paxton's CO. As Tony begins to leave, McGee protests, and, pointing to two boxes full of files, asks who is going to review her bank statements. Tony tells McGee that that's his job, and McGee sniffs and declares that "he doesn't do hardcopy." Tony offers to flip for it, but when McGee turns to get a coin, Tony darts out, quickly followed by an apologetic Ziva.

In Autopsy, Ducky describes Paxton as being shot in the heart twice, and shows Gibbs the bruising around her wrists from the handcuffs. From the extent of the bruising, Ducky thinks that the gunmen tried to free her before they left, and then shot her as a last resort. Ducky's narration is interrupted by staffers who come into Autopsy to retrieve food that Ducky is allowing them to keep in one of the refrigerated vaults. Gibbs is taken aback, but Ducky continues, noting that he cannot explain the extreme swelling in her extremities. He tells Gibbs that he's sent the blood work up to Abby, but Abby can't do much with it, right now. He also noted that she appeared to have suffered several traumatic injuries, which didn't really coincide with her service record of no combat.

Ziva and Tony interview Sarah Resnik, who worked with Paxton and last spoke to her three days previously. Ziva wonders if it was before she was supposed to leave for Baghdad, but Resnik tells her that Paxton wasn't due to go to Baghdad. Paxton called in sick, but Resnik saw her an hour later walking down the street with a man who wasn't her husband.

In the squad room, McGee is shifting through piles of paper, and muttering "How did people survive before search engines?" He gets another paper cut, and Gibbs throws him a box of Band-Aids. Tony and Ziva drag in very tired, because they had to walk to talk to several leads. Tony complains that his feet hurt, and the lead was a dead end. McGee declares there's nothing in the bank records. Gibbs, exasperated, exclaims, "So, basically, we've got nothing?" Abby joins them, having successfully identified the tire tracks as belonging to a Chevy Impala. McGee suddenly remembers hearing about an abandoned Impala as he was listening to the police band all day.

They find an abandoned car with bullet holes in the back window, and a blood trail leading to a large container. Cautiously entering the container, they find a cache of guns, a bed, a desk, and a computer. McGee exclaims, "Wow – this is like the TARDIS!" He then goes on to explain that the TARDIS was a time-traveling machine featured in the T.V. show *Doctor Who*. Tony is surprised: "Doctor Who? Who watches that?" Tony thinks it's more like *Lord of War*, considering the large number of guns in the container. McGee finds multiple passports with different identities, all with Paxton's picture.

As Ziva and McGee peruse the container's contents, Ziva comments that Mossad called hide-outs like this "sanctuaries," a place that each operative maintains in order to prepare for an op – which begs the question of what kind of operation Paxton was running. McGee finds a power switch and gleefully turns on a generator, but the generator fails just as the computer is booting up, to his disappointment. Tony and Gibbs finds additional tire tracks outside, which leads them to believe that the gunmen used another car to escape. Gibbs bags an electronic device he finds in the Impala, and Ziva and McGee discover blueprints to the Swiftcast building, and the power company substation where the power was cut. Tony observes that Mr. Paxton isn't going to like finding out he was "married to Mata Hari," but the team also finds a fake passport for Mr. Paxton, too.

In Interrogation, Gibbs withdraws an old-fashioned tape recorder and hits "record" – Mr. Paxton is surprised, and Gibbs tells him that they record all interrogations. Paxton is concerned, because "interrogation" sounds more serious than "a few questions." Gibbs shows him the fake passport with his picture, and tells him that Lt. Paxton had a container off of Route 50 as he shows him pictures of the guns and other equipment in the container. Paxton is stunned, but insists that his wife was the victim. He then confesses that he had sensed that some things weren't adding up, but staunchly maintains that his wife is a good person. He admits that he

had thought that perhaps she was cheating on him, and hired a private investigator, but no evidence was found. He offers Gibbs the tapes to review.

McGee is in MTAC, happily reviewing Paxton's investigator's tapes – the computer is working, his remote is working – all is right with the world. Tony joins him, asking if he needs help, to which McGee replies, "No, I do not!" Tony, drawn by the opportunity to engage in some technology, offers to be McGee's "techno-wing-man", but McGee points the remote at Tony and clicks it several times – just as Tony did to him earlier – and tells him that he's got it covered. "And I want you to go and do . . . whatever it was that you were doing. What exactly are you doing, again?" Tony admits that he was hand-filing evidence custody documents, showing his own set of paper cuts. McGee grins and dismisses him: "Yeah, have fun with that." Tony leaves reluctantly, declaring that he hopes that McGee blows a fuse. As Tony leaves, muttering vague threats, McGee smiles in satisfaction, turns, and is startled by Gibbs standing in front of him, who has obviously overheard the slightly juvenile exchange. "Hi, boss – I was just . . ." "Just what, rubbing it in – because he left you with the paperwork earlier?" asks Gibbs. McGee winces: "Yeah." Gibbs gazes at McGee and then gives him a half-smile and a tacit "Huh!" of approval. McGee relaxes, and shows Gibbs what he's found on the tapes. As the tape plays, Gibbs notices the same man appears several times in the tape, a man that appears to be following Lt. Paxton. Gibbs notices that the mystery man leaves his fingerprints on a wall, and sends McGee out to recover the prints.

In Abby's lab, McGee has the prints, Tony has hundreds of fingerprint cards from the police that match the mystery man's description, and Ziva dashes in carrying a bag full of lemons. Abby uses the lemons to rig a voltaic battery, which in turn powers up her boom box. She dumps the fingerprint cards onto the floor (despite Tony's careful alphabetizing) and divides the team into fingerprint characteristics: whorls, arches and loops, as she takes composites. For eight hours through the night, the team sits on the floor of the lab, sorting through cards and trying to find a card that matches the fingerprints McGee obtained. At 6:15 a.m., they are tired and punchy, but Abby finally finds a card that matches the prints, for a Jonathan Graham, and they further match the photo on the card with the artist's drawing of the gunman. The team applauds in relief.

Arriving at Graham's home, they find him and another man dead on the floor from an apparent shoot-out. They are surprised and aim at the kitchen when Commander Sarah Resnik steps from the kitchen and coolly informs them that the other gunman was Graham's roommate, Leo Harper. Her entire demeanor has changed – she is assured and confident, and even Tony asks if she's had a makeover. Gibbs asks for clarification, and when Tony introduces her as Lt. Paxton's commanding officer at AFE, she corrects him: "Not quite," and produces her real identification, with the National Security Agency, telling the team that she and Paxton were colleagues on a highly classified project, and that AFE was just their cover. "And this is much bigger than you think," she warns them.

As the group returns to NCIS with Resnick, she explains that NSA has an agreement with retinal scan manufacturers to program a "back door" into all scanners. Paxton and Resnick are the only two people in the world whose irises were hard-coded into all the devices – as she demonstrates on the NCIS retinal scan elevator lock. McGee is impressed as she goes on to explain that their eyes can open any lock with any retinal scanner, and with AFE as their cover, they can assist agencies around the world with covert activities without suspicion. She doesn't know why Paxton was involved with the Swiftcast incident, but is concerned that their mission has been compromised. Gibbs wonders about her Mr. Paxton's fake passport, but Resnick dismisses it, telling Gibbs that Lt. Paxton probably had it made in case they had to go undercover quickly. However, no one has a good grasp on why Paxton was involved. Resnick points out that D.C. is very vulnerable to attack with all communications and power interrupted, and tells Gibbs that his team is making more progress in solving the case than the NSA is, and offers to work together.

In Autopsy, Ducky has completed his exam of the murdered gunmen, and tells Gibbs that the murder scene was staged – the men were killed elsewhere and then brought to the house and arranged to look like victims of a shootout. Ducky notes that before one gunman died, he was probably digging, due to the large amount of dirt under his nails.

After supervising a dig at Graham's house, Tony and Ziva return with a package they had found buried under a shed in the backyard. In the squad room, they open it to find a server from the server farm at Swiftcast – which is puzzling, since no servers were reported missing.

They realize that a server was switched out, and a "bugged" copy was put in its place. McGee realizes that was why the power was cut – it was the only way to do the switch without it being noticed. Ziva says that perhaps the power outage isn't a prelude to a terrorist attack, but McGee notes that the server connects to the "internet backbone", and that every government agency that flows through internet – which would put the country's entire electronic infrastructure at risk. They realize that Lt. Paxton spent a lot of time overseas and probably encountered people who would pay well for that information. However, Abby interrupts and tells them that she doesn't think it was Lt. Paxton who was trying to sell the information. Abby has rigged up an elaborate distillation analysis for the blood samples that she had to work with, and discovered that Lt. Paxton's blood contained large amounts of a vasodilator that is normally prescribed for high blood pressure, which explains the large amount of swelling Ducky observed. Gibbs wonders if it was a form of a "suicide pill" but Abby points out that the drug is non-lethal. Abby tells Gibbs that she believes that Lt. Paxton was using the vasodilator to try to alter the pattern of the blood vessels in her eye just enough so that the retinal scanner would not work. "She wasn't part of the break-in!" declares Abby, and Gibbs agrees: "She was trying to stop it." Abby goes on to say that the only place in Graham's house where Lt. Paxton's fingerprints could be found were in the bathroom, which leads her to think that Lt. Paxton had been kidnapped and held, but fought back the only way she could, with what she found in the medicine cabinet. "It didn't work – but A+ for the MacGyver!" Abby goes on to tell Gibbs that, even though the label has been pulled off, she knows who the high blood pressure medicine belongs to, because of blood samples taken at the Swiftcast. At Swiftcast, Ziva shows the Mr. Paxton's fake passport to Stone, the injured security guard. Stone identifies Mr. Paxton as one of the gunmen: "I remember those eyes," and when they tell him that it was Lt. Paxton's husband, he quips, "A real-life Bonnie & Clyde, eh?" Ziva comments that they have enough evidence for an arrest, and as they walk away, the power comes back on, to everyone's delight.

In the server farm, the power comes back on, and Stone walks purposefully towards one of the servers, unlocks it, and flips a switch. A screen message announces "Rerouting Signal", and Stone smiles in satisfaction and relocks the case. Suddenly, we hear Tony's voice in his best Dragnet imitation: "Ladies and gentlemen, the story you are about to hear is true, only the names have been changed to protect the innocent . . ." Stone is startled, as Tony comes around the corner of the server, and finishes with ". . . which you're not. You got a buyer, yet, for all those zeros and ones?" Stone begins to bolt, but is cut off by Ziva's appearance at the other end of the hall. She tells him that getting himself shot during the break-in "was a nice touch," but because of that, they obtained the blood work that subsequently identified him. Ziva tells him, mockingly, "You really should watch your blood pressure," and Tony adds, "The next time you kidnap someone, keep them away from your medicine cabinet." Gibbs smiles, and tells Tony, "Book him, Dan-ozzo." Tony compliments Gibbs: "Nice Hawaii 5-0 reference, Boss!" and Gibbs tilts his head in acknowledgement with a small smile. Gibbs uses his walkie-talkie to call McGee, standing by a large portable generator with Resnick. McGee asks, "Red-handed?" Gibbs allows as how they don't come much redder. McGee and Resnick then turn off the generator, plunging the building back into darkness.

Stone is waiting in Interrogation, and is being observed by McGee, Mr. Paxton and Gibbs. They tell Paxton that Stone is actually Russian, and worked for Russian counter-intelligence until two years ago, who decided to freelance, and head about Lt. Paxton's unique status when she was on an op in Kiev. McGee explains, "With the national security data she gave him access to, he could name his price to our enemies. Your wife tried to stop him." Gibbs continues: "And when she couldn't, she cuffed herself during the break-in. She knew we'd find her body – she knew we'd dig deeper." Paxton admits that while there was a lot he didn't know about Emma, she was a fighter – "stubborn as hell." Gibbs offers a small bit of comfort: "Yep. Been there." Paxton, near tears, asks, "She had to do it, right? She didn't have a choice?" but Gibbs corrects him: "No, she had a choice. That's what makes her a hero."

In the squad room, everyone is at their desks – the power is still out, but Tony is triumphant: "High tech case – low tech ass- kicking!" and McGee admits that it's kind of ironic. The team reflects that not having power has given them a chance to slow down, being unplugged – no emails, no calls, etc. – it was nice. Suddenly, the power comes back on, and the team attacks their computers hungrily, with a gleam in their eyes like someone coming out of withdrawal. Gibbs sits down at his desk, puts away his bag of "antiques", and then gazes at each member of

his team as they are intent on their computers. He reaches forward and hits the "off" switch on his computer screen, and then leans back in his chair with a smile of satisfaction on his face.

Child's Play

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Summary: When a death of a Marine leads the NCIS team to a government think-tank filled with child prodigies, the team has to protect a 12- year-old child who may be the next target of the killer.



Two little boys are chasing each other through a corn field. They are playing tag. One boy runs into a scarecrow and falls backwards. The other boy laughs and tags him. The dark haired boy on the ground wants to know what "that is," pointing to blood dripping from the scarecrow. He uses a stick to remove the mask from the scarecrow and reveals a dead Marine. Both boys scream and take off

running.

McGee walks into the squadroom, passing Ziva who is coming out of the elevator. She ask him if he's not using the elevator and he tells her it's all about the cardio these days. "You have been looking increasingly Kate Mossish there McTim. What are you down 2-3 lbs.?" Tony asks. McGee says he's down 15 pounds and thanks Tony for noticing. "That's what I do, eagle-eyed special agent," Tony says. Tony thinks McGee lost weight because of a girl but McGee says he usually gains a few pounds over the holidays so he was countering it. Ducky walks in and hands out invitations to Thanksgiving dinner to each team member. Ziva thinks Ducky misspelled "fixins" on the invitation. Palmer has already left town for the holiday. McGee is having Thanksgiving dinner with his sister and Ziva accepted an invitation with her neighbor. Tony says he also has plans. "Are you letting some blonde bombshell baste your bird?" Ziva asks Tony. Tony says he's going to a poker tournament with an all you can eat crab buffet. "Pilgrims and Indians gambling together, that warms the heart," McGee says. Ziva asks about Ducky's mother. He says she's doing well, the staff take good care of her but she barely recognizes him when he visits. "That leaves me with a 20 lb. bird and all the fixings to feed Cox's army," Ducky says. Gibbs walks in and says "Marines, got a dead one in a cornfield." Gibbs walks to his desk and asks if Ducky is waiting for an invitation when he doesn't move. Ducky hands Gibbs an invitation to Thanksgiving dinner. Gibbs hands him one back, the address to the cornfield.

The team shows up at the cornfield and Ziva and Tony have a slight argument over the name of corn and Indians. Gibbs tells DiNozzo to process the scene. Ziva points out the footprints and

says some of them are very small. Tony points out larger footprints and drag marks from behind the dead marine. He says from the drag marks, the Marine was already dead. "Ah fresh corn, that gives me an idea. Why don't we have corn chowder as the first course," Ducky says. Each team member responds with one word each: "Poker," says Tony. "Sisters," says McGee. "Neighbors," says Ziva. "Later," Gibbs adds. Ducky begins to process the body and says the victim wasn't killed on site. The victim's name is Marine Lance Corporal Trevor Lazatta, stationed out of Quantico. Ducky discovers the victim is missing a hand, which was removed after he died, otherwise the blood pool would be greater than it was. Tony jokes around that maybe the crows carried off the hand and makes crow noises. Ziva uses a crow feather and pokes Tony's ear, startling him. Gibbs just looks at Tony and Ziva says "Sorry, I had to do it." Tony apologizes. Ducky says the time of death was approximately 8-10 hours ago. Tony notices a mark on the victim's arm "PC." He says that they are a local gang, big up and down the east coast. Tony wonders if it was an initiation "kill a Marine and your in." Gibbs informs them that Lazatta was part of gang before he joined the Marines. His tattoo was lasered off. Gibbs tells Ziva to get on Tony's shoulders. Tony questions Gibbs and Ziva doesn't want to do it until they both see Gibbs face. "Bend over Tony," Ziva says, which gets a chuckle out of Gibbs. Once Ziva's up, Gibbs calls a direction (North, South, East, West) and has Ziva tell him what she sees in each direction. Once she's covered all directions, they realize whoever put the body there wanted Lazatta to be found.

Back in the squadroom, McGee has Lazatta's information up on the big screen and gives Gibbs the Corporal's background information. Lazatta had a spotless service record, multiple tours, rewarded with a very desirable duty post guarding the Satler Institute for Strategic Studies and Analysis. Gibbs calls it an "R&D Government Think Tank." Lazatta had been assigned there for 6 months. Ziva and McGee are assigned to check out Lazatta and Gibbs has DiNozzo go with him to the Institute. "Satler Institute? Oh boss, shouldn't Mcsmarty-pants go to the nerd theme park. It's going to be a nerd's paradise with the World of Warcraft wallpaper and the pocket protectors and the elfan shaped beds because I probably shouldn't..." Tony says but gets cut off when Gibbs tosses him the keys.

Gibbs and DiNozzo show up at the Institute and are met by Krista Dalton, Facilities Coordinator. Tony tells her that Lazatta was killed approximately 20 miles from there. She asks how it happened. "Not very nicely Krista," DiNozzo replies. Gibbs wants to know what Lazatta guarded. Krista hands them each a visitors badge and brings them into a room full of children. "He guarded a day care center?" DiNozzo asks. Krista tells him it's not a daycare center, it's their intelligence testing center. Gibbs asks if they test the intelligence of the kids. "Nope, they test our's," Krista replies. She walks up to one child named Parker and asks how he's doing. Parker's specialty is redeployment of rapid response groups. "I thought we had people at the Pentagon who do that," Gibbs says. She says they do but they found that gifted children have a less-linear, less-bureaucratic way of approaching things. "Simpler, cleaner, purer," she adds. Tony is playing on a motorcycle game on the side of the room. He asks where the parents are. Krista says they have an arrangement with the parents and the kids visit for a week or two at a time. It helps maintain a nice balance between home and the Institute and keep the kids focused. Tony walks up to a young boy playing a game on the television and waves his hand in front of the boy's face, but gets no response. Tony believes Lazatta was basically a babysitter. "These kids are incredibly valuable to us and the military," Krista says. An older boy, Brett, walks up and asks Krista when he gets his MP3 player back. She tells him when he stops wrapping the cord around the ceiling fan. As he explains why he was doing it, Tony walks up smiling, points at Brett and says, "Val Kilmer, Real Genius." Krista tells Brett he can have his MP3 player back after Thanksgiving. Brett walks away and Krista tells them that Brett is one of their prized and oldest students. Gibbs wants to know if any of the kids were particularly attached to Lazatta. One girl, Angela Kelp, was. She had been acting distracted lately and Krista asked Lazatta to keep an eye on her. The two ended up hitting it off. DiNozzo is playing an electric guitar so Gibbs tosses a small ball at the guitar to get his attention.

Angela is playing a military video game and a man, Greg Norvell, is videotaping what she's doing. She apologizes and says she sees mistakes. She points out a better way for the troops to have gone their route and saved more lives. She connects some of her drawings on the screen and makes it a cat head. Gibbs tells Angela that her art is impressive. Angela tells Gibbs her cat's name and that her parents split when she was little. She realizes something happened to Lazatta. Gibbs asks if the two of them can go and talk privately. Greg says they can talk in her

room. Gibbs, Krista and Angela head out of the room. "I had a combined SAT score of 950, is that good?" Tony asks Greg as he looks around.

In the room, Angela offers Gibbs a cupcake. He takes one, sits down, and eats it. Gibbs asks why she thinks something happened to Lazatta. Angela says it's because he's there and Lazatta's not. She believes Lazatta was killed. Gibbs notices the artwork on her wall. Angela says she drew them, Krista told her it was important to express herself. Gibbs writes down his phone number and tells her if she remembers anything, she should call him. Gibbs phone rings and McGee calls him with information. While he's on the phone with McGee, Angela walks over and takes the sticky note with his phone number off the monitor and holds it. When Gibbs hangs up, he thanks Angela for the cupcake and heads out the door.

The team has found Lazatta's car 6 miles from the crime scene. McGee didn't find anything in Lazatta's apartment but the fact that he was a member of a local gang. Gibbs finds one of the slugs they didn't find in Lazatta in the door. McGee checked the map system in the car and based on the time of death, it appears Lazatta had just left work. Ziva tells Gibbs that the fuel line was cut on the car. They think Lazatta was ambushed. Gibbs finds Lazatta's cell phone on the side of the driver's seat. When McGee looks, he sees 6 missed phone calls, all from the same number. Gibbs sends DiNozzo off to find the missing caller.

DiNozzo brings Eddy Castillo into interrogation. Eddy had made the phone calls to Lazatta and he is part of the PC gang. Eddie claims that while they had their disagreements, he and Lazatta were like brothers. Tony points out that Metro Gang Division says Eddy tried to kill Trevor a few years ago when he left the PC's. "People felt betrayed but we worked it out," Eddy says. "You worked it out. That doesn't smell so good to me," Tony replies. Eddy says that he and Trevor had some unsettled business, that Tony doesn't need to know about. Tony sits down and shows Eddy the photos of Trevor's body. He asks him why he cut his hand off and carved PC into his arm. Tony asks Eddy if he has an alibi for the night before. "Lullabye, it's a night club for rich kids," Eddy says. They handle the refreshments there. "Well we'll see about that. In the meantime I hope you like being swabbed, poked and pricked," Tony says. "We are checking you for gun shot residue, blood, and dirt from the crime scene, anything that I can think of. You know why. Because your messing with my holidays and I don't like it when people mess with my Thanksgiving," Tony says.

In the squadroom, McGee shows Gibbs and Ziva security footage from the Institute. According to security sensors, Lazatta entered the dorm room at 6:00am that morning. Dorm access requires palm access. The intruder got in using Lazatta's hand then went into Angela's room and left less than a minute later with nothing but Lazatta's hand. "Empty handed," Gibbs says.

At the Institute, Gibbs returns to Angela's room and questions her. She tells him she was asleep and didn't see anyone. Gibbs asks if anything was missing. Angela looks around and notices two of her collages are gone. He asks if there is anything special about them and she says no. Gibbs asks to borrow her video camera and picks it up with a glove, then pockets it. He tells her that her mother knows she is going with him and she will be safe. He asks again if she saw anything and she says she's positive.

Gibbs walks into Abby's lab. She lost her grandmother's recipe for cranberry sauce and is trying to duplicate it before Ducky's dinner. "I don't want to let Ducky's turkey down, ya know," Abby says. "What can I do for you Gibblet?," Abby asks. She tells him it's a seasonal play on his name. He hands her Angela's camera and has her upload the photos. Gibbs sees the 2 photos missing from Angela's wall and wants Abby to tell him what they are of. As he leaves, he tries the cranberry sauce and tells her "more sugar." Abby chuckles.

Gibbs walks into autopsy and Ducky asks him to pick up a dozen dinner rolls from the baker. Gibbs wants to know the confirmation of death. Ducky says it was a gunshot wound to the head. He doesn't know yet what damage it caused. Gibbs pulls up a file and tells Ducky he needs a psych evaluation on a 12 year old girl. Ducky asks Gibbs where he goes for Thanksgiving. For the last 9 Thanksgivings he's called Gibbs at home and he doesn't answer. He's even driven by but he's not there but he expects to see Gibbs at 16:00 for dinner the next day. Ducky says he can't go home without "him." He walks over to one of the autopsy drawers, telling Gibbs what kind of rolls to bring. He opens one of the drawers and takes out "him," the turkey. When he turns around, Gibbs has left.

In the squadroom, Ziva hands Angela a drink. She asks Mrs. D'Arcy McKenna, a Legal Youth Advocater, if she wants something. Gibbs walks by and puts a pop on the desk for her. D'Arcy is

pleased Gibbs remembered. "Well your memorable Darcy," Gibbs says. He walks up the stairs to MTAC and Angela watches him. She walks over to Ziva and asks why she needs a Legal Youth Advocater. Darcy whispers, "It's the law sweetie." D'Arcy is sending her husband her grocery shopping list via her cell phone. Angela asks Ziva if she's every killed anybody. Ziva lies and says no. Ducky calls and tells Ziva he's ready for Angela. Ziva walks her to the elevator and the door opens. Gibbs is inside and he says he'll take Angela up. When the elevator doors close, Angela remarks on how Gibbs takes the stairs up but the elevator down. "Knees," Gibbs replies. Angela reaches over and shuts the elevator down. Gibbs crosses his arms and leans against the wall, telling Angela she's got his attention. She knows Gibbs thinks she's hiding something. Gibbs tells her she's safe. She says she knows, she's not in danger. Gibbs asks her who is. She hesitates for a moment, then reaches over and flips the switch on in the elevator. "Glad we talked," Gibbs says as the elevator starts back up again.

Ducky meets with Angela and Darcy in the conference room. Angela asks if it's a psych evaluation. She knows there are 3 types: general, emergency and clinical. She tells Ducky it feels clinical to her.

Ducky comes out of the conference room as Gibbs rounds the corner. He tells Gibbs that Angela got him talking about his first pet, a guinea pig called HunkerMunker. "Duck, you were supposed to find out about her past," Gibbs says. Ducky says if she's hiding anything, she's hiding it well because he didn't get anything. Angela is sensitive and may act twice her age but inside she's anything but. Angela has secrets but Ducky tells Gibbs to not push her, when she's ready she'll tell them but if she's pushed, she'll push back. Tony runs up and hands Gibbs a file, tells him Eddy Castillo is back again. Gibbs tells DiNozzo to go talk to him. Tony tries to weasel out of it because he has travel plans but Gibbs sends him anyway.

Tony runs down the hallway, then slows and walks into interrogation. He walks in and says, "Hey, miss me Eddy?" Eddy says he came in with information about why he was calling Trevor. "I'm all ears," Tony says. Eddy has a 9-year old nephew who is already getting into trouble. He called Trevor to see if he would talk to the boy about the Marines. Eddie didn't want his crew to know he was trying to get his own blood out of that life. Tony antagonizes Eddy. He tells Eddy he was jealous of Lazatta because he had the brains to get out and make something of himself and Eddy didn't. Eddy was proud of Trevor but didn't kill him. He tells Tony that Trevor called him about a girl in trouble, the girl's name was Angela. Trevor couldn't go to the cops as it would cause more problems for Angela.

Gibbs walks into Abby's lab as she's trying her cousin Tetra's lime jello with yams, marshmallows and pecans. She says some family traditions should not be upheld because they "really, really, really, suck" and throws the jello away. Angela's drawing is her own code. She used 26 different colors to correspond with the letters of the alphabet. It's a poem, dark and creepy, very detailed. It's called "The Lady in the Fountain" and it's about death. Abby brings up the second collage and tells Gibbs it's frequency jamming signals. It's every communication code for every ship, plane and helicopter in the U.S. Navy and Marine Corp. Abby doesn't know why she was hiding military secrets in her collages unless she was going to sell them. "Or someone was going to sell them for her," Gibbs says. He kisses Abby on the cheek, then calls for Angela's mother's bank records as he heads out.

Gibbs gets off the elevator in the squadroom. Ziva comes running up and tells him that Angela's mother has called 13 times, she wants to see her daughter. McGee has pulled up the mother's financial records. Over the last 13 years she's averaged around \$43,000. Over the last 3 months, she's made three additional deposits totaling \$60,000. Either the mother is playing the ponies or she's taking advantage of her little girl.

The team has the collages up on the big screen. Tony compares the collage to the magic eye posters. You stare at them and suddenly make out the image. He keeps looking at the image and talks about focusing. Gibbs walks up behind him, headslaps him and tells him to focus. Tony crosses his eyes, says the image is dolphins and moonlight and thanks Gibbs. McGee tells Gibbs that the jamming codes belong to a Marine maneuver called "Ballistic Winter." Copies of the signals appeared on the black market three months ago in China and it's an open NCIS investigation. Ziva doesn't believe Angela stole state secrets. "Clearly you've never seen The Bad Seed," Tony says. Gibbs wants to know if Interpol has any suspects. They have one, C-Ten Dynamics, a defense firm who does R&D in conjunction with the Satler Institute. The C-Ten sales rep is Debra Leigh Dalton, same last name as Satler's Think Tank Coordinator, Krista Dalton.

Tony confirms the two women are sisters. Ziva wonders if Debra is the one who slipped into Angela's room. Gibbs wants to talk to Debra but McGee says it's going to be tough to do. Debra flew into D.C. five days earlier and never arrived at her house. There's been no record of sale or credit card activity since she arrived. Tony begins to quote "Hannah and Her Sisters" meets "The 39 Steps." He is cut off by a look from Gibbs. Gibbs wants Krista brought in for questioning and Angela brought to a safe house. Ziva tells him the safe houses have been compromised due to a computer glitch, which should be fixed the next day. She asks about a motel. McGee wishes her luck in finding one before Thanksgiving. Gibbs hands her Ducky's invitation and says Ducky has a spare room. "Yeah boss, we've all got plans this holiday season and..." Tony says. He's cut off again when Gibbs tells him to cancel them.

Gibbs walks into the break room and Angela is playing checkers with Ray Mabus. She hustles him for \$1 but Gibbs takes it. He goes and buys a cold drink instead. Gibbs sits down and asks what the buy-in is. She tells him \$2. He wants to play for different stakes. If he wins, she tells him the truth about Lazatta, military secrets, everything. He tells her they found the jamming signals in her artwork. She says she wasn't hiding them, it's just how she works. Angela holds Gibbs hand and tells him he builds things, woodwork. Her father made cabinets. "Didn't you ever express yourself in the things you made?" Angela asks. Gibbs wants to know how many people at the Institute know what was in her artwork. She says she isn't sure. Ziva walks in and tells them the safe house is ready.

Gibbs goes to see Angela's mother, Darlene. She is upset that NCIS is holding her daughter. Gibbs shows her the bank statement and says she's been getting a lot of money lately. Darlene insists it's Angela's money. "You really thought Angela was getting paid all that just to play video games?" Gibbs asks. Darlene says she was told Angela's work saved soldier's lives. Angela felt good about helping and the money is going to go towards her college fund. Gibbs wants to know how the money got to her. She tells him the larger amounts came from C-Ten Dynamics. She just assumed they were projects Angela worked on. The checks were approved by Debra Dalton. Darlene only talked to Krista Dalton and the checks came in the mail. Gibbs get a call from McGee informing him that they found another body at the Institute. He gets up to leave and Darlene wants to know when she can see her daughter. "Soon," Gibbs says.

A maintenance worker found Debra Dalton's body. "That'll spoil your Thanksgiving," Tony says as he looks at the body. Gibbs points out Angela's room, then says "Lady in a Fountain."

Ducky is getting the turkey ready to put in the oven. Angela is looking for something to do. His television is on the fritz and his laptop is in the car. So she goes into the library looking for books. Ziva wants to follow her but Ducky needs her help stuffing the turkey. Ducky realizes he needs one more pair of hands so he calls for Angela. Angela doesn't answer after Ducky calls her twice so Ziva calls for her, then goes looking for her. She pulls out her gun when she finds a locked door and goes around to another door. She find the patio doors open and Angela is gone. She tells Ducky, "She's gone, call Gibbs." Ducky looks distressed at the thought.

The team is at Ducky's house doing a search for Angela. They find nothing in the house or on the grounds and got no hits on the Amber Alert or BOLO. Ziva and Ducky each try and take the blame but Gibbs tells them it's both of their faults. McGee gets a call that Krista Dalton is in interrogation. Gibbs leaves with Ziva and Tony while McGee remains behind with Ducky.

In interrogation, Krista tells Gibbs the care and safety of the kids is her only concern. Gibbs hands her a piece of paper. Ziva tells Krista they did some digging and found her overseas accounts. She tells them it's not what they are thinking. "What am I thinking? Because it sure looks like you made money selling government secrets using these kids," Gibbs asks. Krista says they sold battle scenarios for games to game designers in China. They paid a lot. Debra made contacts from her trips to Asia for her firm. They took some of the money and the rest they gave to the families. Krista says it was old, useless information. Ziva tells her what she did is treason, the information was still classified. Krista doesn't understand why they are talking to her about games and what it has to do with Lazatta's death. Gibbs pulls out a crime scene photo of her sister. Shook up, Krista flips it back over and wants answers about her sister's death. Gibbs says the two dead bodies are tied to her and the Institute. Gibbs wants answers and Krista says that Debra was seeing someone, she was afraid of him and wanted to break it off. Gibbs asks for a name but Krista says Debra wouldn't give her one because she didn't want her involved. Gibbs slaps his hand down and says, "You are involved."

Gibbs walks into the squadroom for an update. The team informs him they've gotten no hits

so far, whoever has Angela is keeping her hidden. Ducky walks in and says he was going over the photos of Angela's artwork. Apart from the cat, all the photos and artwork on her wall were from the outside world, nothing of herself. She resisted showing the world what she cares about. When Ducky spoke with Angela, she never spoke of her home or the town she was from. She was guarding it. Ducky thinks deep down, Angela is just a scared little girl trying to protect her mother. Ziva tells Gibbs she's been trying the mother's home every 10 minutes and nobody answers. McGee says he just got a credit card hit, one of Ducky's credit cards. "What she took one of mine? Clever girl," Ducky says as he pulls out his wallet. Angela bought a map of her hometown at a service station. Gibbs says she's dropping bread crumbs, she wants them to come get her. If the killer is thinking the same way they are, he'll be waiting for her.

Gibbs is driving the team down the highway. Tony is in the back seat feeling ill. He thinks it's the clam chowder he ate. Abby calls Gibbs with a connection between Lazatta and Debra Dalton. She found traces of beeswax and bleached linseed oil on both Lazatta's body and a thumb impression on the back of Debra Dalton's head. Both the oil and wax are base ingredients found in oil based paints. Gibbs asks Tony about the paintings at Gregg Norvell's workstation at the Institute. Tony tells him they were oil based then complains again, he shouldn't have had the clam chowder.

Gibbs pulls up Angela's street and sees Angela standing at the end of the driveway. She waves for him to wait and goes inside. When she walks in, the phone is off the hook. She goes into the kitchen and hugs her mother. Darlene tells her to run but Norvell comes around the corner pointing a gun at them. Darlene doesn't understand what's going on. Angela wants to know why he killed Debra. Norvell says she humiliated him, it had to be done. Same thing with Lazatta, and Norvell thinks NCIS bought the whole gang retribution thing. He holds Angela at gunpoint and gets Darlene to walk outside in front of them. Ziva, Tony and Gibbs corner him. He threatens to kill Angela. Gibbs puts away his gun, kneels down and tells Angela to look at him. He asks Ziva if she's got it, and she says she does. Norvell says she doesn't have the shot, she'll miss. Gibbs asks Angela what the probability of that is. Angela tells him 97.6%. Norvell won't give in so Gibbs gives the order to shoot and Ziva takes Norvell out.

Everyone joins Ducky for Thanksgiving dinner except Gibbs. Ducky says how wonderful it is for all of them to be together, even though their togetherness wasn't their first choice. Tony whines a little about missing "Indian poker, all you can eat crab buffet, showgirls." McGee tells him to suck it up, but there's a lot of wine. As Abby pours Tony a glass, Ducky points out it's time to carve the turkey but Gibbs isn't there. Just then, the door opens and Gibbs walks in with chips and animal crackers, not rolls, because not a lot was available. Everyone laughs and Ducky wants a toast. "Toast friends and dear family all. A bountiful thanks and good things for fall," Ducky toasts. "And to all a good night," Abby adds. When everyone stares, she says, "wrong holiday." They all raise their glasses and toast.

Faith

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Summary: The NCIS team is called in to investigate the death of a reverend's enlisted son, and they soon realize he may have been the victim of a hate crime. Meanwhile, Gibbs tries to figure out why his father had a sudden change of behavior when he comes to visit during the holidays.



Two kids are in the park, dragging a Christmas tree they cut down illegally. The young man teases her about her being naughty or nice and reaches to hug her. She stops because she sees a man leaning against a tree with no coat on. They walk over to investigate and find the man is dead.

At home, Gibbs is cleaning off his car when he hears his father. He turns as his

dad is getting out of an airport shuttle. Gibbs didn't expect his father until that evening but Jackson caught an earlier flight. Gibbs wishes his dad had called and let him know, he would have picked him up. Jackson says he made it. Father and son have an awkward moment before they hug. "Too many years since I was here last," Jackson says. "Whose fault is that huh?" Gibbs asks. "We gonna do this again son?" Jackson replies. Gibbs smiles and tells him to come in. They make small talk about the house. Inside, Jackson looks around and says, "Wow look at this. Hope you didn't get all decked out on my account." There is no sign of Christmas decorations anywhere. Gibbs tells Jackson there are plenty of comfortable hotels nearby. Jackson says he'll be fine as long as he has a working clicker. Gibbs points to the television remote and then informs Jackson he doesn't have cable. "Color?" Jackson asks. Gibbs chuckles as Jackson says he'll manage. Gibbs moves his bicycle away from the television and brings it into another room. He points to the couch and tells Jackson that's his bed. Jackson inquires about the guest room and Gibbs informs him it's no longer a guest room. Gibbs points to the kitchen and says the cupboards aren't empty. Jackson says maybe he'll cook them something. "As long as it's not your stroganoff, knock yourself out." Jackson wants to know what's wrong with his stroganoff.

Rather than answer the question, Gibbs says he's surprised Jackson came to visit. "It's good to be with family at Christmas," Jackson replies. Gibbs has to go, so he leaves his number for Jackson by the phone. Before Gibbs leaves, Jackson tells Gibbs he's happy to be there.

Ziva, McGee and Tony arrive at the crime scene where it's frigid and snowing. McGee says its freezing. "Man up Chilly Willy. Feel that warm blood coursing through your veins. Get in touch with your inner McGrizzly Adams," Tony replies. McGee informs him he has hand warmers. Tony asks for a hand warmer but McGee refuses to give him one. Ziva says she's not cold at all. "It's because you're cold blooded David, like a lady Komodo Dragon Ice Queen," Tony says. She tells Tony she remembered to wear her thermal underwear. Tony offers her \$50 for her thermals and she tells him they wouldn't fit because he's too big. Tony says they'll stretch as Gibbs walks up alongside. McGee offers Tony crime scene gloves, triple bag insulation. Tony says there has to be a better way to avoid frost bite. "There is, get to work," Gibbs says as he walks by.

The team reaches the victim, Marine First Lieutenant Thomas Ellis. Ellis is married and a decorated, 3rd Generation Marine. His father is a retired Marine Colonel, George Ellis, who is now an ordained minister. "Second career," Tony says. "Second calling," Gibbs replies as he walks around the victim. "Well his son experienced the call of the wild. Going barefoot and without gloves in this weather is ill-conceived to say the least," Ducky says as he looks over the body. Ziva found his wallet with credit cards and money, so there's no evidence of robbery. Tony found a towel and soapy water in Ellis' backpack. Ducky notices evidence of the soapy water under Ellis' fingernails. Palmer comments it's an odd place to take a bath, Ellis should have at least turned around and enjoyed the view. Ducky feels if Ellis had, it might have saved his life. McGee notices footprints in the snow, indicating which direction the attacker came from. Gibbs kneels down and blows snow off a compass, which is pointing east. Ziva wonders why a Marine wouldn't fight back. Gibbs asks Ducky to lift up the body and Ziva tells Ducky to look under his knees. McGee and Ducky tip Ellis' body over onto plastic. Ziva brushes the snow off the ground where Ellis had been kneeling and reveals an Islamic prayer rug. "He was praying when he was killed," Gibbs says.

Back in the squadroom, McGee has pulled up Ellis' military records on his computer. Ellis had officially changed his religion from Christian to Muslim 8 months prior. Ziva notes it was not just a passing interest. "Fruit of the month might be good," Tony babbles as he's sitting at his desk, feet propped looking through a gift catalogue. "Gee Tony I never pegged as a catalog shopper," McGee says. "That's because I'm not Tiny Tim but desperate times call for desperate measures. I took these from my neighbor's doorstep," Tony replies. Ziva asks if he stole them. Tony says the doorstep is a common area; he wouldn't steal mail because it's a federal offense. He picks up a lingerie catalog and flips through it, asking what to buy for the shrew that has everything. Tony picked Delores from Human Resources (H.R.) name for the secret Santa. Tony calls Delores a miserable grinchful woman. McGee says he won't argue with Tony about that because once he tried to wish Delores a Happy Valentine's Day and she claimed sexual harassment. Ziva tells them she's probably just a lonely middle-aged woman, they should have some compassion. "Must be tough living up there on Mount Crumpet, scheming to take Christmas away from poor Cindy Lou Who," Tony says. Ziva wonders why she bothers with Tony and he tells her to be careful or he'll return her present. She reminds him they agreed no gifts. Tony's phone rings and when he answers it, he jerks upright in his seat when he realizes its Gibbs. Tony has to meet Gibbs at Colonel Ellis house. Before he leaves, he looks at McGee and says, "Don't touch my catalogues."

At the Ellis house, Gibbs and Tony inform Colonel Ellis and Tom's widow of his death. Colonel Ellis wants to know if it was a hate crime and Gibbs tells him they don't know yet. Tony picks up a wedding photo and asks the widow how long they were married. She tells him 2 years but they hadn't spent much time together as Tom had just started his second tour. "Nothing tests a marriage like the Core," Colonel Ellis says. "Nature of the beast," Gibbs replies. Ellis forgot Gibbs was in the Core but Gibbs remembers the Colonel. "It's Reverend now," Ellis replies. "Why the change?" Gibbs asks. When the Reverend's wife died, he wanted to be closer to God. Tony asks Mrs. Ellis how she'd met her husband. They met in college, he was swimming and she played softball. After Tom joined the Core, things changed, Tom started studying the Muslim religion and was thinking about converting. Reverend Ellis blames himself and wonders if Tom converted to spite him. Reverend Ellis asked a Muslim Navy Chaplain to reach out to Tom. A young Marine walks in calling Merry Christmas to everyone. He is Patrick Ellis, the Reverend's younger son. Patrick asks what is wrong. Reverend Ellis walks over and tells him his brother is dead, then

hugs his youngest son.

In autopsy, Ducky asks the corpse of Ellis, "Lieutenant, when you knelt to commune with your maker, did you have any idea you'd be seeing him so soon?" "I think not," Ducky adds. Palmer wonders if it's true Muslim's pray five times a day and Ducky confirms it is. "I never do anything five times a day," Palmer adds. Gibbs walks into autopsy and asks what Ducky has. Ducky is waiting for the Cleric before he begins the autopsy proper but initial findings indicate blunt force trauma to the periatal lobe and multiple lacerations to his shoulder and neck. The blow was delivered in a downward slicing motion. The weapon was cylindrical as they discovered paint and some kind of thread in the wound. Ducky shows Gibbs the lacerations on Ellis' feet. Ellis cleansed his feet a second time before returning to his prayer which means he turned his back on his attacker. This means he knew who his attacker was and trusted him/her.

In the squadroom, Jackson has arrived and is handing out homemade candy to the team. "Hey dad, stop making my team fat," Gibbs says as he walks in and sits at his desk. Ziva wants to know why Gibbs didn't tell them his father was coming. "I didn't think he'd actually show," Gibbs replies. As Tony reaches for another piece of chocolate, Gibbs says, "Go ahead, have another one bubble butt." McGee smirks from behind his computer. Tony says it's his metabolism slowing with age, nothing a good holiday cleanse won't cure. Jackson doesn't see the harm in them eating the candy. Gibbs realizes it's his father's neighbor who made the chocolate. The neighbor has been cooking for Jackson lately and Gibbs says she's been after Jackson since his mother died. "She puts together a helluva care package...when people are hurting," Gibbs says as he walks towards Tony's desk. Tony tells Gibbs that the widow did have an affair with a banker while Tom Ellis was overseas. She called it off when the husband found out. Chaplain Aaban El-Sayad walks in looking for Gibbs.

Ziva, the Chaplain and Gibbs sit down to talk in the conference room. The Chaplain points out the Marine Core and the Islam religion teach the same three things: Honor, Courage and Commitment — the same 3 philosophies that Islam teaches. "Yes ignorance and bigotry still remain a problem in the military," Ziva adds. "Well ignorance isn't unique to any one group Agent David. All we can do is try our best to educate and pray for acceptance as a whole," the Chaplain says. The Chaplain says Thomas stuck with the Muslim religion because he found something that was missing in his life. Thomas referred to his awakening as a devout epiphany. Ziva asks how the rest of the unit reacted to Elli's conversion. Some of the unit were okay with it; some weren't and found Ellis' multiple prayers during the day troublesome. Thomas asked the Chaplain to speak with a First Sergeant Louis Tibbens.

In the squadroom, Ziva tells McGee and Tony that she spoke with Ellis' C.O. (Commanding Officer) and he confirmed that Tibbens and Ellis didn't get along. Jackson is sitting in Gibbs' chair, watching and listening to the team. Tibbens is home on leave in Athens West Virginia, population 900. "Bigger than Stillwater, but it doesn't have the charm," Jackson says. "Or the perpetual smell of coal," Tony replies. "I always liked that smell," Gibbs adds as he walks in. Gibbs stops in front of his desk and stares at his father, whose sitting in his chair. Gibbs sends Ziva and Tony to find Tibbens and McGee is told to look into Ellis' Muslim life. Gibbs wants to know if two names means Ellis was living two lives. Gibbs walks over to Jackson, who wants to know how the heck Gibbs could sit like that all these years. Jackson figures Gibbs should at least have walls for privacy. Gibbs tells him it's time to go, he has a job for him.

Back home, Gibbs brings his father down to the basement. Gibbs tells him they are building toys. Jackson wants to know when Gibbs got into the spirit. "I don't know. For me it's more about the wood though having that deadline of the 24th has been good," Gibbs says. "You don't believe in Santa but you believe in hobbies. As long as you believe in something I guess," Jackson says. "Settles my mind dad, keeps my hands busy," Gibbs replies. The two men exchange a few comments and Jackson sits down. "Your trying to Tom Sawyer me into white washing the fence for you," Jackson says. "No, not for me, with me. If you feel up to it," Gibbs replies. He tells his dad they'll talk when he gets back.

Ziva and Tony find Tibbens at a local bar shooting pool. Tony is looking for a deer head mounted on the wall with holiday lights on the antlers. "Santa's looking for Rudolph, I think I know what happened," Tony tells the bartender. "Tibbens sister described this place perfectly. So this is where a red throat would hang out after being overseas for months," Ziva says. "It's not red throat it's red neck and I think we found the entire cast of 'Hee-Haw'," Tony says. Ziva points out Tibbens. "And his brother Darryl, and his other brother Darryl," Tony says. The two

walk over to the pool table to talk to Tibbens.

Ziva calls Tibbens. "You can call me Tibbs," Tibbens says. Tony wants to know if they call him Mr. Tibbs. He introduces himself and Ziva, calling her his probationary sidekick. Ziva tells him that Ellis is dead. Tibbens was hunting at dawn and has a 6 pt. buck dead in the back of his pickup. Tibbens flirts with Ziva and tells her she's probably never killed anything before. Ziva smiles and says, "I'll never tell." Tony says, "Oh boy." Tony tells Tibbens he needs to come to NCIS with them and answer some questions. Tibbens has a better idea, he wants Ziva to go home with him and 'decorate' his tree. Ziva tells Tibbens "Let's go," but Tibbens reaches for her instead. Ziva grabs his hand and shoves him against the wall. She cuffs him and then tells him to sit. Tony gets attacked and fights several other bar members. He hits one guy with a stool, another with a bar tray. A third one grabs him from behind. Tony slugs the guy and is thrown down on the pool table by the man who grabbed him from behind. Ziva kicks the man in the privates and punches another one. "Red throats," she says. "Red necks," Tony corrects her. "Whatever," she replies and looks at Tibbens.

Tony chats with Tibbens in interrogation. Tony has ice on his hand while Tibbens has bruises on his face. Tibbens explains the concern they had with Ellis. Ellis would stop and pray in the middle of a mission or on the road but he didn't kill Ellis. Tibbens and some other men were approached and offered money to get Ellis to quit the Core for good. The men did it for the safety of the unit. Tony asks who offered them money. Tibbens said they found out from word of mouth. They communicated with the person who made the request via PO Box. The money was wired to them, no questions asked.

In Abby's lab, she's playing with her skeleton, who she dressed in Santa's hat, coat, and beard. She is entertaining her friend, Carol Wilson, from college. McGee comes in and she introduces the two of them. McGee makes some lame jokes, then asks what they are drinking. Abby says it's Caf-Nog, an old family recipe. Carol shows McGee a picture of her nephew, Fisher, sitting on Santa's lap. Carol took Fisher to see Santa and while all the other kids asked for toys, he just wanted to see his mother for Christmas. Fisher's mother is stationed on a destroyer in the Indian Ocean. McGee tells them that satellite feeds to the Indian Ocean are restricted. Abby calls McGee a miracle worker and has faith he'll make it happen.

Gibbs arrives back in the squadroom and is greeted by Ziva and Tony. Tony ran a financial check on the men in Ellis' unit and only two men including Tibbens accepted the bribe for \$4,000 each. All the money was drawn from the same overseas account and deposited at the same time. The corporation it was drawn from is a dummy corporation. Tony tells Gibbs that Interpol is checking into it. Gibbs is doing something on his computer and tells Tony to tell Interpol to check faster. "You do it," Tony hisses. Gibbs looks up and glares at Tony. "Not you boss. You (he looks at Ziva). How many languages do you speak anyway?" Tony says. "Including the language of love, ten," Ziva says. Gibbs cell phone rings, Jackson called him. Gibbs yells into the phone, "You did what?", grabs his coat and runs for the elevator.

Gibbs arrives home as the firemen are leaving. The Firemen tells Gibbs everything is okay. Gibbs finds Jackson on the couch and kneels in front of him. He checks Jackson's pulse and asks if he's okay. Jackson tried to start a fire in the fireplace but it was clogged. Gibbs walks over to look at it and notices boxes with Christmas decorations on the floor. Jackson had his wife's decorations shipped to Gibbs' house and went out and got a tree. Jackson accuses Gibbs of patronizing him and tells Gibbs if he's unhappy with what Jackson is doing to speak up. Loudly, Gibbs says, "Dad, I'm trying to make this work." "And I'm not?" Jackson asks. Gibbs sighs in frustration, then reaches for his gun, heads over to the bookcase to lock it up in a gun safe. Jackson asks Gibbs to put the gun safe somewhere else, he doesn't want to be same room with the gun, it makes him uncomfortable. Gibbs assures his father it's safe. Jackson gets upset with Gibbs and yells, wondering if for once, Gibbs will do what he's asking him and why everything with them always has to be an argument. Gibbs agrees to put the gun safe away. Jackson wants to go out for a walk and Gibbs asks if he wants company. Jackson yells he's alright and leaves by himself. Gibbs phone rings. Tony calls to tell Gibbs Interpol got the name on the dummy corporation, it's Colonel George Ellis. "His father?" Gibbs asks.

Gibbs and Tony show up at Reverend Ellis' home. Tina and Patrick Ellis are angry at the accusations towards the Reverend in regards to hurting his own son. Patrick tells them it's a lie. "Not according to the bank. People do things for such misguided reasons," Tony replies. "Well Marines aren't just people sir," Patrick says. "Your right Pat their not but they abide by the same

laws. Your father didn't," says Gibbs. Tony asks Tina for the number for the man she had an affair with. Gibbs asks for their alibis the morning of Thomas' death. Tina says she was with friends and Patrick was at school. Reverend Ellis walks in and tells Tina it's okay, NCIS has a right to know everything. Reverend Ellis admits to paying the men in the unit to get Tom to stop the Muslim nonsense. The Reverend felt if Tom realized he was putting his unit in danger he'd stop being selfish. Reverend Ellis says what he did was wrong but well-intentioned. "If it led to my son's death, then god forgive me. And Tom's gone too," Reverend Ellis says. "There one and the same Colonel," Gibbs replies and leaves.

In the squadroom, Ziva asks McGee if he feels the Colonel was involved in his son's death. McGee says the Reverend has a congregation, humiliation can do irrational things to people. Tony's phone rings and he answers it. It's Delores from H.R., she wants to meet with Tony at 6pm on Christmas Eve. McGee laughs and goes over to Ziva. He tells her to watch, it's going to be good. Tony hangs up and says, "Someone broke my cover. She knows I'm her Secret Santa. McGee, you wouldn't do that," Tony says. "Ho-ho-ho," McGee says as he and Ziva slaps hands. Tony feels she'll probably suck the Christmas joy out of him. Ziva tries to tell him she's probably just lonely. Tony wonders what he should get her as Ziva's phone rings. Gibbs wants Ziva to meet him in Abby's lab.

In Abby's lab, Abby holds up a metal pole, points to a display of other poles on the table, and tells them any of them could kill but none of them did. Ziva asks if she had any luck identifying the murder weapon. "This job isn't about luck, it's about the keen eye of science," Abby says. "Abby," Gibbs warns. Abby tells him she wouldn't call him down for just nothing, but first she has to do something. She puts on some skeleton oven mitts and pulls out gingerbread cookies decorated to look like her. With a serious look, Abby holds them in front of Gibbs and Ziva and says, "Go ahead, taste one." Laughing, Ziva says, "I'm sorry I could never eat you." Gibbs takes one to go, for his dad. He tells Abby he hopes she has more than just gingerbread cookies. Abby tells him she found minute particles of aluminum and titanium in Ellis' head wounds. Abby reenacts the murder through a computer simulation. She says it's the speed in which the blow was delivered that is impressive; whoever killed Ellis is athletic.

Ziva catches up with Tina Ellis at the park. She wants to ask Tina some more questions. Tina went to the park to see where her husband was killed. Ziva asks about Tina's affair. She then asks Tina if she still plays softball and explains the nature of the wound that killed him. Tina is offended and tells Ziva she has a military funeral to plan for a hero, and for a husband she loved deeply.

Ducky is with Jackson in Gibbs' basement. They are laughing, drinking and completing toys. Jackson is sharing old childhood stories of both his childhood and Gibbs. Gibbs comes downstairs and Ducky goes to pour another drink. Gibbs grabs the bottle and tells Ducky it's getting late. "Ah yes, there is Christmas shopping to be done and a roost to be ghosted," Ducky says standing up. Jackson laughs as Ducky corrects himself, "A goose to be roasted." Ducky shakes hands with Jackson and tells him it was a pleasure to finally meet him.

Upstairs, Ducky and Gibbs chat. Ducky tells Gibbs that his father is much more accessible than Gibbs. Ducky had come by to see if there was something wrong with Jackson. Gibbs wants to know how bad. Ducky rules out Dimensia and tells Gibbs something far more old fashioned is wrong with Jackson. Jackson is suffering an emotional trauma. "It's nothing personal Jethro, but I don't think he came here for your uplifting holiday cheer. Martha Stewart you are not," Ducky says. Gibbs wonders why Jackson came. Ducky tells Gibbs to make some phone calls to Stillwater on behalf of his father and they may prove enlightening.

At his desk, McGee is working on Fisher's Christmas wish. He tells the person on the other end that he has direct orders from Admiral Nicholas Whitebeard, who oversees the Northern Polar regions. McGee comments that he's doing charitable work for Abby and the big man. "Gibbs?" Ziva asks. "Director Vance," Tony says. "Bigger and rounder," McGee responds. Director Vance calls and talks to Tony. He provides an alibi for Reverend Ellis and his daughter-in-law, Tina. The Reverend was visiting SecNav and Tina drove him at the time of Tom Ellis' murder. Chaplain Said shows up and tells them he has a problem. He hands Ziva a letter he'd just received in the mail. It's a newsletter cut and paste note that reads "He died because of you! Bang you're dead."

Ziva walks into the conference room where Gibbs and the Chaplain are waiting. She tells them the letter was sent through the military postal service. The threat is real, it could be because the Chaplain got to close. Gibbs offers protection but the Chaplain turns it down. Ziva reminds him

he has a wife and daughter. He tells them he is also a Chaplain and has a responsibility. Ziva calls him stubborn and pig-headed. The Chaplain talks about his work and mentions Tom Ellis had asked him to speak to his class. He is amazed how different Tom and Patrick are from one another.

Abby has decorated her lab for the holiday with a Christmas spider. She rambles how she can decorate her test tube Christmas tree and warm up dumplings in the incubator. "Abby," Gibbs, Ziva and Tony say at the same time. She tells them she feels like Scrooge being visited by the three grumpy ghosts. They want to see the simulation of the murder again, most importantly, the point of impact. Abby comments that whoever did it had agility, speed and power on their side. "Well, if I don't mind saying so, I have many of those qualities myself," Tony says. Ha, Ziva laughs. "Where's your generous holiday spirit Probette?" Tony asks. "Bah hum bog," Ziva says. "Ba what?" Tony asks. Gibbs watches the reenactment and mentions that Patrick Ellis played LaCrosse. Abby pulls up the specifications of a Lacrosse stick and they are made with the exact same material that was found in Thomas Ellis' head wound. "Able and Cane," Ziva says. Gibbs says that Patrick killed his own brother.

At the Ellis home, Gibbs and Tony wait for Patrick to return. Gibbs tells Patrick that he was at the park the morning his brother was killed. Patrick had gone there to confront his brother about being Muslim and killed him. Tony asks where his lacrosse stick is, most players run with their sticks, did he break it or destroy the evidence. Patrick looks to his father and tells him that he did it for the family; Tom was embarrassing them. Reverend Ellis slaps Patrick across the face. Reverend Ellis said that no matter what, Thomas was still his son. Patrick blames his brother for ruining the family's honor. Patrick felt Thomas turned their back on his family. "I don't know maybe we turned our back on him," Reverend Ellis says.

Jackson is sitting in the living room by the tree, staring at the fire. Gibbs walks in and hands his father a beer. Gibbs called Stillwater and found out what happened to bring Jackson to visit. He wants to know the details from Jackson. Jackson tells him a man came into town, into his store. The man had a gun and was going to rob him. Jackson told him to take whatever he wanted from the store. There were two young girls in the store and the robber turned to the girls. He killed the man before he could harm the girls. While it's not the first time Jackson has killed anyone, it's the first time he's seen their face. The robber was 23 and had a kid, Jackson was told. "Looks different from up there in the cockpit huh?" Gibbs says. Jackson tells him from up there, it didn't look like much of anything. You pull the trigger, feel the release and nothing. He never even thought about it. He wants to know how Gibbs has done it all these years. "This is why you came? Gibbs asks. "That and it's Christmas," Jackson says. "It's not supposed to be easy," Gibbs says.

In autopsy, Ducky and Palmer zip Thomas Ellis into a body bag. The Chaplain and Reverend Ellis salute the body as Palmer wheels by.

Upstairs, Tony goes to knock on Delores door but can't do it. He's holding a large gift wrapped box. Ziva grabs him and tells him to go back. A struggle goes on in the hallway between the two and they don't notice Delores come out of her office. Tony says, "Merry Christmas Delores. I got this for you. I looked in your personnel file, which is legal because I have that security clearance. But I saw that when you were 8 years old all the little girls in your neighborhood they all got this incredible doll the knee high cherry pie doll and you didn't get one. I guess Santa didn't make enough that year so I got this for you." He hands her the package and she opens it to find the doll she wanted. She smiles and laughs.

McGee walks into MTAC with Fisher, Abby and Carolyn. He tells Fisher it's a magic room called MTAC. McGee tells Fisher that Santa told him to bring Fisher there. He wants Fisher to make a Christmas wish and see if it comes true. He has Fisher shut his eyes and think of the one thing he wants for Christmas. McGee gives the nod and Fisher's mother comes onscreen. "Well, not bad huh. I pulled it off," McGee says. Abby kisses him on the cheek, leaving lipstick marks and tells him he'd make a great Santa. McGee says that all you have to do is believe. "I do believe," she tells him. McGee smiles and kisses her on the cheek.

Gibbs and his father lug the handmade toys up from the basement. "I'll go warm up the sleigh," Jackson says. Gibbs smiles as his dad walks out, then he follows.

Ignition

Season 7
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Season Episode: 11

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Writer: Jesse Stern
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Chief M.E. Ducky Mallard), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Cote de Pablo (Special Agent Ziva David), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Brandon Bell (Forest Ranger Jake), Rena Sofer (Margaret Allison Hart), Marcus Giamatti (Victor Tillman), Chris Bruno (Navy Captain James "Sandman" Powell), Melinda Page Hamilton (Vanessa Tillman), Jeffrey Hephner (Navy Commander Peter "Banshee" Sheridan), Rachel Grate (Forest Ranger Mina)
Production Code: 149
Summary: While investigating a bizarre murder of a Navy pilot, the NCIS team butts heads with an attorney that has a grudge against Gibbs.



Two park rangers find a dead man who is burned on one side.

In the office, Ziva lands on a web page that is full of ads. McGee suggests she change her internet search habits. McGee sees a story that Bell was released from his Mexican prison. McGee tells Gibbs he will print him a copy. The team goes to the scene and finds the victim is a test pilot. McGee sees that the pilot is equipped

with gear that is used for skydiving. They see that an explosion caused the pilot's arm to be blown off. Ducky and Jimmy arrive via ATV to examine the body. The team wonders how the pilot got there. The team finds scattered pieces of metal including a fuel tank and a joystick. McGee says he thinks the pilot's jet pack exploded.

The team learns that the dead pilot is named Brad Sayers. Ziva reports that Sayers was a test pilot who flew experimental planes. Ziva and Tony tell Gibbs that McGee is obsessed over jet packs and the evidence. In her lab, McGee bores Abby with facts about jet packs. Abby finds hydrogen peroxide and kerosene on Sayer's flight suit. McGee tells Gibbs he can't believe the Mexican government dropped their charges against Bell. McGee explains he loves jet packs since he saw one fly over him during one of the Olympics.

Ziva and Tony meet with Sayers's CO Powell. He explains that he allows the pilots to take jobs outside of the military. Powell introduces the team to Sheridan who was a friend of Sayers. After they inform him about Sayers's death from a jet pack explosion, Sheridan says they should talk to Victor Tillman who wanted Powell to fly experimental aircraft for him, but the Navy rejected him. Sheridan figures Sayer went over the Navy's heads and flew the jet pack anyways.

Ducky instructs Jimmy to take the lead in performing an autopsy on a dead squirrel found at same scene where Sayers's body was found. Jimmy explains to Gibbs that he thinks the squirrel's death is related to Sayer's death. Jimmy reports that the squirrel ate Sayer's flesh and died since Sayer was poisoned.

McGee shows Gibbs his video presentation of jet pack pilots taking flight. McGee shares his theory that there is a conspiracy against jet packs. After Tony says that Sayers was flying for Victor's company, McGee says they were going to unveil new technology. As Tony and Ziva drive to Victor's business, Ziva notices that she is being followed. Victor tells the team that he wonders where Sayers got his jet pack. Ziva sneaks outside and takes a photo of the person who was following her before he drives away. Victor shows Tony his jet packs. Tony tells Victor that the jet pack that Sayers was found with resembles his and wonders who stole his technology.

McGee informs Gibbs that Victor is hiding money since he divorced his wife Vanessa. McGee tells Victor that he thinks that he killed Sayers since Vanessa was paying him. Victor is surprised at the news. McGee shows him a patent for a jet fuel mix of kerosene and hydrogen peroxide that Victor says that his wife got during the divorce. An attorney named Hart arrives and asks McGee to either charge Victor or let him go. She states that Victor's financial records were accessed without proper authority. Gibbs tells Hart that he is wondering why Victor is hiding behind a lawyer. After Gibbs asks if he knows her, she says he doesn't but she knows him and his record of ignoring the law to get his suspects.

Jimmy tells McGee that he can't tell if poison was the cause of Sayer's death. Abby figures that a valve in Sayer's jet pack was sabotaged to cause it to explode. McGee figures if they find the maker of the valve, they can find the killer.

Vanessa says that her relationship with Victor broke down since they didn't communicate. Vanessa admits she hired Sayers to do a test flight on her prototype, but it was over a month ago. Vanessa says she didn't give him a jet pack. After Hart storms in the office, she tells Vanessa that she is entitled to legal counsel and instructs her not to speak to NCIS any longer.

Back at the office, Ziva and Tony figure that Sayers flew a jetpack that was made up of both Vanessa and Victor's designs. They wonder if there is a connection between Hart and Sayers.

Ducky notices that Gibbs has become frustrated at the case. Gibbs says Hart is preventing him from talking to the people he wants to. He believes that she is taking to him like she likes him. Ducky says he found that Sayers threw up before he died, but there was no evidence of puke on his face shield. Ducky says it is possible someone placed Sayers on the jetpack and staged his death.

McGee shows the team he found a remote detonator which was used to kill Sayers. Gibbs and McGee give Victor and a court order to their inventory to see if one of them killed Sayers. Gibbs informs Victor that Vanessa knew Sayers has been stealing from him. Hart says he knows he is trying to stir things up between Victor and Vanessa. Gibbs announces that Sayers died thirteen days ago. Vanessa says she was in the Bahamas while Victor says he was in New Hampshire.

Jimmy and Abby watch as McGee looks at the jetpack. He says flying and producing the jet pack is difficult and requires a person to know both engineering and flying. McGee figures that Sayers was the one who built the jet pack after he stole the plans from both the Tillmans and borrowed technology from the Navy. The team wonders if Sheridan killed him so he could be the one to fly the jetpack.

Gibbs surprises Hart on the street and tells her he knows she filed the patent application for the Tillmans then charge them. He says in this case, he learned she worked for the Tillman's pro-bono. Gibbs figures that Hart took the case to get to him. Hart says she isn't the one who wants to pick the fight with him, but she is glad she is in it.

The team tells Powell about their theory that Sheridan poisoned Sayers to take his job. The team finds Sheridan in the locker room and shows him the remote that was used to pilot Sayer's jet pack. The team informs Sheridan they know Sayer's needed to partner up with a person with an engineering background so he can sell the jetpack technology. They tell him they needed to use him as a distraction. Ziva reports that Powell is taking the bait and is about to leave with his prototype jetpack. McGee runs out, takes control of the jetpack with his remote and brings him down where he is arrested.

Gibbs and Tony look over photos of Hart on the internet and discover she is good friends with Colonel Bell who Gibbs put away several weeks ago. They figure that Bell sent Hart, but wonder what her ultimate goal is.

Flesh and Blood

Season 7

Episode Number: 150

Season Episode: 12

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Writer: George Schenck, Frank Cardea
Director: Arvin Brown
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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Lauren Shiohama (Taylor), Penny Johnson Jerald (State Department Official Joanne Torrence), Robert Wagner (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.), Samantha Sergeant (Ashley), Yan Feldman (Walid Abbas), Adam Conger (Bellhop), John O'Brien (Bruce), Mark Ankeny (Barry Kester), Mido Hamada (Prince Abdalla Ibn Alwaan), Amir Arison (Prince Sayif Ibn Alwaan), Joe Lando (Navy Lieutenant Commander Rob Clarke), Alon Abutbul (Prince Omar Ibn Alwaan)
Production Code: 150
Summary: Gibbs is worried about Tony's ability to handle his job when Tony's father turns out to be linked to their newest investigation, an assassination attempt on a foreign prince.



A Navy Jet lands on an air strip. A man is waiting for the pilots to reach him. One of the pilots is criticizing the other for 'hot-dogging'. The second pilot, Prince Sayif, tells the man to get the car. The driver replies, "Yes Your Highness" then heads off to start the car. The American pilot jokes with Sayif about having someone wait on him hand and foot. Sayif tells him if the driver doesn't get his act together,

he can have him. The driver heads to the car, takes out the keys and looks up as he hears a jet fly overhead. Suddenly, the car he's about to enter explodes, knocking the driver out of his shoes and sending him flying across the tarmac.

In the squadroom, Tony is on the phone arguing with someone. He tells them that his name is Anthony DiNozzo Jr and lives in Washington, D.C. and his father's name is Anthony DiNozzo, Sr. and he lives in New York city. Ziva walks in and looks at Tony curiously. "Is that so complicated? Jr. Sr. Can you follow that?," Tony yells into the phone. Ziva walks over to McGee's desk and asks what is going on. McGee tells her that Tony is trying to withdraw money from a bank in New York and apparently the bank confused his account with his father's so Tony can't get the money. Ziva smiles. Tony sarcastically says, "Let me get this straight, you want me to spell my name again? Okay. It's big D as in dimwit, little I as in idiot, little N as in nimrod, little O as in obtuse, double Z as in ZZ Top...." Ziva ask what Tony needs the money for. McGee tells her it's to go on a cruise with his fraternity buddies in the spring. Ziva wonders why Tony doesn't just call his father to straighten things out. Tony tells the caller he'll hold, the points at Ziva and tells her to mind her own business. "Ew, grouchy," Ziva says. McGee tells her that Tony left a message for his father 2 days ago and hasn't heard back. Tony is upset when the caller asks him to spell his

name again, "Are you guys in India?" he asks. Gibbs walks in and tells Tony to get off the phone, they got a dead foreign national at Pax River. "Pax River, weren't we just there?" McGee asks. Tony beats his forehead with the telephone receiver as everyone grabs their gear and heads out.

At the crime scene, Ziva asks Tony where he is going on his cruise. "It's a need to know information, you don't need to know," Tony responds. "Aren't you too old for spring break?" Ziva asks. Tony tells her no, then gives Gibbs an update on the vehicle's registration. The car was leased from Beltway Auto Executive Leasing, rented to Prince Sayif Ibn Alwaan on a month-to-month basis. "Hope he got the full coverage," Tony adds. Gibbs walks around, looking at the burnt up vehicle. Ziva tells him the explosive device was placed underneath the car. He tells her to get the car to Abby and walks away. Gibbs walks over to the victim, Walid Abbas, who was in the U.S. on a Visa and worked for Prince Sayif. "You know there are over 7,000 Princes in the Royal family," Tony adds. Gibbs asks Ducky what he's got. Ducky tells Gibbs that Walid wasn't killed by the explosion, at least not initially. There were no burns or blisters on his skin or hands. Ducky believes the cause of death is blunt force trauma when Walid's head hit the tarmac. "I heard the saying he got blown out of his shoes but I never thought I'd see it," Tony says as he looks at Walid's shoes on the ground. Ducky says if the explosion had knocked his socks off, it would be impressive. McGee questions Sayif's flight instructor (who is one of many Sayif has gone through) who informs him that Prince Sayif has been in the country for three months. He's attached to the Navy Marine Core Strike Pilot Training Program. They are hoping he doesn't screw up his check run so he'll graduate in two days and won't be the Navy's problem anymore.

Gibbs walks into the hangar while Sayif is on the phone. Sayif tells Gibbs he was making arrangements to be picked up. "Cancel them," Gibbs says. Gibbs tells Prince Sayif that he doesn't want to jump to conclusions but they have to assume the bomb was meant for Sayif. Until they discover otherwise, the Prince is now under NCIS' protective custody. Prince Sayif isn't too happy and tells Gibbs assassination attempts are a part of their lives. He came to the United States for flight training and he isn't going to let what happened stop him. "I don't have influence with your country but I do with the United States and I'll have your training stopped immediately," Gibbs quietly says to Sayif. "Okay, protective custody on my terms," Sayif replies. He refuses to be sequestered in a base or a government safe house. Prince Sayif is staying at the Presidential suite at the Adams House and tells Gibbs if he'd like to protect him there, he's welcome to. Gibbs smirks as he watches Sayif walk away.

Gibbs and DiNozzo join Director Vance in MTAC. He is getting information and providing updates on the bombing. The Saudi Embassy wants their Royal Guard to be part of the protection detail. Gibbs informs them that Prince Sayif was brought back to NCIS while his room and the adjoining rooms were being cleared at the Adams House hotel. Freedom fighters are claiming to be responsible for the assassination attempt. The Saudi Ambassador assured the United States that Prince Sayif will be flown home after he graduates flight training school. McGee slips quietly into MTAC and waits until they are done their conversation. Vance wants to continue the conversation in his office. As the trio are heading out, McGee needs to speak with Tony. Smiling, he tells Tony he has a visitor. Tony wants to know who it is but McGee refuses to tell him, smiling the whole time. "What's the matter with you?" Tony asks. McGee just keeps smiling as Tony looks at him and walks out. Tony walks out and looks down, he sees his father talking to Ziva. Anthony DiNozzo Sr. flirts with Ziva, telling her how stunning she is and did she ever think of wearing her hair down. From the landing above, McGee and Tony squat at the railing while listening to Sr. chat with Ziva. Ziva is about to respond when she sees the duo overhead. Mr. DiNozzo follows Ziva's eyes and calls out "Junior" and Tony yells back, "Dad what are you doing here?" McGee is laughing and smiling behind him.

Tony Jr. and Tony Sr. are returning from getting coffee. Tony wants the bank mix-up straightened out and asks why his father's name was still on the account as a trustee. Sr. says he'll take care of it. Tony tells him he could have just done it with a phone call. Sr. says he will, it's just they haven't seen each other in a long time. "So you thought you'd just fly down and surprise me?" Tony asks. "I took the train, it's not that far," Senior responds. Tony looks concerned and asks if his father is okay. Senior tells him that everything is okay, they'll have dinner and catch up. Tony walks over and places a piece of paper on Ziva's desk. Senior asks about Ziva. "Ziva is Ziva, there's nothing to tell," Tony replies. Tony, Ziva and Prince Sayif head through the squadroom towards the elevator. McGee yells to Tony that the hotel suite has been cleared, they are heading

over so Tony says he's coming. Senior notices Prince Sayif and asks about him. Tony wants to know how his father knows the Prince. Senior says that Prince Omar and he have done business together and they met in Monte Carlo years ago. He asks Tony what Sayif is doing there. Tony quietly tells Senior about the assassination attempt. McGee yells from the elevator, "Should I continue holding the door?" Tony bellows that he's coming, he'll meet them in the garage. Senior asks what happened and Tony tells him he can't talk about it. One look from Senior and Tony says, "Car bomb." Senior wants to know if Sayif's father has been notified. Tony tells him he has and is flying in but in the meantime, Tony needs to head over to the Adams House hotel, he'll get Senior a cab. Tony asks his father if he's sure he doesn't want to tell him something. "Your busy, it can wait," Senior says.

Gibbs arrives on the floor of the Presidential Suite of the Adams House Hotel. The security detail lets him inside the suite. Sayif is in the middle of a conversation so Ziva and McGee join Gibbs. Gibbs asks who the other man is with Sayif. McGee tells him it's Sayif's older brother, Prince Abdalla, he lives in D.C. and is a Deputy Minister at the Saudi Embassy. Ziva quietly tells Gibbs, "They do not know I speak Arabic." Gibbs smiles and says, "Ah good." Ziva tells Gibbs that Sayif is getting chewed out for his western ways and his Sayif's pleasures are what brought on the attack. Sayif says something to Abdalla and Ziva tells Gibbs, "That is to disgusting to translate." Sayif goes into another room while Abdalla joins the NCIS crew. Introductions are made and Abdalla discusses the bombing. He tells the NCIS team that Walid was not only Sayif's aide, but a family friend. Gibbs asks about the Freedom fighters and Abdalla thinks they may have been involved. Tony walks in and gives Gibbs an update on the security detail. Sayif comes walking out, dressing in sweat pants and a sweatshirt. Tony asks where he thinks he's going and Sayif replies, "The fitness center." Tony informs Sayif that he needs to be accompanied by an agent. "Fine, I choose her," Sayif says and indicates Ziva.

In autopsy, Ducky hears the door open and believes it's Gibbs who walked in. He says that his initial observations were correct, Walid did die from blunt force trauma to the head. "I'll be sure and tell him," Vance replies. "Oh Director Vance. It's not often I'm graced by your presence in autopsy. To what do I owe the pleasure," Ducky asks. Vance tells Ducky that the Saudi embassy would like a quick release of the body for religious reasons. Ducky says as soon as he's done, he'll make arrangements for the body to be picked up. Before he leaves, Vance asks Ducky how his mother is doing. Ducky thanks him for asking and tells him she is slipping away slowly, losing touch with reality. When Ducky visited her that morning, she insisted the clock on the wall was going backwards. "Actually I've had days like that," Vance says, then smiles and leaves. "Haven't we all," Ducky quietly adds.

Jet Lag

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Guest Stars: Darren Keefe (Steven Baker), Livia Trevino (Lupe), Kevin Symons (Federal Air Marshal Art Neely), David de Lautour (Daniel Sturgis), Victoria Pratt (Flight Attendant Tiffany Chase), Ryan Cutrona (Ray Beringer), Dina Meyer (Holly Snow), Lily Rains (Nora Williams), Clark Koelsch (Flight Attendant Stephan)
Production Code: 151
Summary: While on the flight back from Paris, Tony and Ziva realize that their assignment to protect a government witness in an embezzlement case is in great danger when they learn that an assassin is located on the same flight.



Vance wonders where the team is since they need to bring a witness back to testify against a CEO named Beringer. Meanwhile, Ziva and Tony tell McGee they will head back with their witness from Paris. Tony says he understands why artists love the town. He says he slept well. Ziva hops on Tony's Vespa to ride to the plane.

Gibbs tells McGee then need to examine the body of Mark Parsons. At his condo they find Mark's body in a bathtub full of kitty litter. Ducky figures Mark died 38 to 48 hours ago. He says the litter prevented the smell from alerting the neighbors. Since there are several high priced items in plain sight, they figure the murder was not part of a robbery. They wonder how Mark could afford to live so well off.

Tony and Ziva bring the witness, Nora Williams, to the plane. They meet with the Air Marshall Art Neely. He says he checked the passengers and they are all clear.

Back at he condo, McGee breaks into the safe and finds expensive watches and newspaper clippings about the home invasion death of a rich man named Sam Thoresen. McGee sees that the police thinks the death was a professional hit. Gibbs figures Mark monitored the story since he was the hitman. They also find a dossier and Nora William's flight plan. They figure Mark planned on killing her.

McGee reports that Mark was a special operative. He says Mark was on leave when Sam was killed. They see that Mark had a lot of information about Nora. They learn that Nora had a fiance named Daniel Sturgess. Vance informs the team that Daniel is heading to the office.

Daniel tells Gibbs and Vance he tried to convince Nora not to testify against her boss, Ray Beringer. They learn that Beringer was bilking the Navy for millions by repairing ships that was never ordered. Daniel explains Nora found documents that proved Beringer was responsible, but they disappeared. Gibbs assures Daniel that his best agents are with Nora.

Back on the plane, Tony shows Nora photos of architecture. Nora tells him that the photos look soulless since they don't have any people in them. After Ziva says she stayed with Tony in the same room while in Paris, Nora says she met her fiance during a business trip. Tony and Ziva tell Nora about Gibbs's rule #12 which is never date a co-worker. Tony figures that Ziva got an urgent call from work.

Ducky explains Leroux got the idea for The Phantom of the Opera after he witnessed a counterweight of a chandelier crush an actress. He tells Gibbs that Mark was killed by a precise neck break. Abby reports that she found no prints at the condo. She says Mark received a phone call from Holly Snow, a D.C. madam.

Gibbs and McGee question Holly about a transaction she made to put out a contract on Nora. Holly explains she only connects people and she doesn't ask questions. Gibbs asks who wanted Nora dead, but she says she only knows the account number. Holly asks for a plea deal in exchange for information. She explains the hit contracts are not exclusive. They figure a hit man killed Mark in order to reap the fee of the contract.

After Ziva is updated on the case, she tells Art that they must be prepared for a hit on the plane. Ziva says there are many potential weapons on the flight and admits she once killed a man with a credit card. Art says he is suspicious of a man named Steven.

After a male flight attendant tries to hand Tony a glass of water, he insists he give him a fresh bottle. Nora figures they really believe someone is trying to kill her.

McGee tells Gibbs and Vance that Art requested and switched to be on that flight. After Ziva is told about the news, Art catches her searching his bags. Tony appears and pretends that he found the book that Ziva is looking for. He says he suggested she read the Twilight Saga since American history is boring. Ziva slips past Art and steals his cellphone. Ziva instructs Tony to have Abby check all of Art's calls. Nora tells them they make a great team, but Ziva insists they are not always this smooth.

McGee tells Gibbs that Daniel attacked Beringer. Daniel admits he lost his temper. He states he thinks Beringer is taunting him. Daniel shares his belief that Beringer hired someone to kill Nora.

Gibbs meets with Beringer and asks him about Nora. He says she is a great employee, but he likes to joke about her. He explains he thinks Daniel is upset he assigned Nora to the Paris office.

Ziva tells Tony that Art has been in the bathroom for a long time. They knock on the door, but he doesn't answer. They find that he is stabbed in the neck with a knitting needle and his gun missing. Steven arrives and asks if there is a line. They tell him the bathroom is out of order.

McGee reports that Art requested an earlier flight in order to catch his daughter's play. Vance tells Gibbs that Beringer is now suspicious that he is being investigated. He also says Holly's plea deal came through.

Back on the plane, the flight attendant announces that the front bathroom is now out of order. Ziva watches the passengers and notices a suspicious lady. Nora is shocked to hear that Art is dead. Nora asks Ziva if she slept with Tony since they seem complimentary. She explains they remind her of her relationship with Daniel.

In the bathroom, Tony uses the wi-fi to connect to Ducky via webcam. Ducky looks at Art's wound and figures his murder was quick and quiet. Tony finds a partial print on the needle. He uses his camera to photograph it, but gets upset he has to delete a photo in order to make room.

Abby receives the print and starts to match it in their database. Gibbs and Vance meets with Holly and tell her to talk since she got her deal. Holly asks Gibbs if he likes it rough. She explains she is good at reading people. Gibbs tells Holly if Nora dies, the deal goes away and they will add murder to the list of charges against her. Holly writes down the account number used during the transaction.

Back on the plane, Ziva and Tony notice that Steven, the man that Art was suspicious of, is acting strange. Ziva grabs the man by the neck, but he explains he was only looking for a battery that dropped out of his CD player. Ziva lets him go after Tony finds the battery on the ground. Nora has trouble breathing and collapses.

Tony calls Ducky and tells him about Nora's symptoms. He figures that Nora is having an allergic reaction. Steven, the suspicious man, gives them a epipen that they use to bring Nora back to normal. They figure since Nora hasn't eaten anything, she reacted to a pillow that was laced with peanuts which Nora is allergic to.

Back at the lab, Abby finds the fingerprint matches a woman Tiffany Chase, the flight attendant. She reports to Gibbs that Tiffany was in D.C. when Mark was killed. She accesses her bank records and sees that she has received large deposits recently. McGee tells Gibbs that he tracked the money to an account that only Beringer and Nora has access to.

Tony asks Tiffany where she hid the Air Marshall's gun. Tony and Tiffany get in a fight, but Ziva takes her down and places handcuffs on her.

Gibbs and McGee arrest Beringer for hiring a hitman to take out Nora. He tells them to check the logs since he never transferred the money. Gibbs figures Daniel set up the hit. They fire at Daniel as he speeds towards them. Gibbs pushes McGee out of the way and is hit by the car. Gibbs slowly gets back up and throws McGee a pair of handcuffs.

Back on the plane, Nora says she can't wait to see Daniel again. At the office, McGee explains Beringer stole from the Navy, Daniel stole from him and used some of it to hire a hitman since Nora's testimony would have exposed his theft. McGee asks Gibbs how his shoulder is, but he says it was an accident. Tony and Ziva ask each other why they lied when they said one of them took the couch when they stayed in same room. Tony tells Ziva his favorite picture was the one of her.

Masquerade

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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Rena Sofer (Margaret Allison Hart), Ginny Weirick (Lynne), Arjay Smith (Roy), Yorlin Madera (Marine Lance Corporal Roman Vega), Jeremy Ray Valdez (Alfonso Vega), Brad Greenquist (Dr. Damon Shore), John Getz (Walter Kane), Kent Shocknek (Guy Ross), Marlon John (Guard)
Production Code: 152
Summary: The NCIS team has to thwart an attempt by a group of terrorists to detonate a bomb before it's too late.



Two men walk into a bar to meet women. Alfonso has complained to his buddy about not having a girlfriend, so his buddy brought him to the bar to meet women. Alfonso practices two pick-up lines on his friend: "Is it hot in here or is it just you?" "Are you Jamaican? Cuz Jamaikin me crazy." A woman sitting at the bar in front of them chuckles as she listens. She turns around and tells Alfonso

to just be himself. She introduces herself as Lynn. As they begin to talk, Alfonso's eyes are glued to the television where the media is following a live car chase. Alfonso tells his buddy that the car being chased belongs to his brother. Just then, Alfonso's cell phone rings. He answers it and asks his brother what is going on. His brother tells him it's happening now, wherever Alfonso is, he has to run now. Alfonso watches, horrified, as his brother's car explodes on the television.

In the squadroom, Ziva and Tony exit the elevator. Ziva is laughing because Tony is taking dance lessons. Tony tells her National Tap Dance day is May 25th. Tony wants to go to the National Tap Dance parties. Tony talks about all the ladies that will be at the party. Ziva tells him she went to an "International Talk Like A Pirate Day" party last year. Tony says, "You did not? Excellent. Argh, let me hear some pirate speak." "Why is McGee wearing a tuxedo jacket?" Ziva asks as she watches McGee standing at his desk, headset on. Tony and Ziva can't resist the chance to tease McGee when they realize he's attending an online wedding. McGee tells them that a gamer buddy of his from Spain set up the online live viewing for people who couldn't make it. "I would be laughing if I weren't on the verge of tears. This is sad," Tony says. Gibbs walks in and begins to tell the team to grab their gear but stops mid-sentence. Tony tells Gibbs that McGee is at a wedding. McGee tells Gibbs it's almost over. Gibbs just looks at them then says "take your time." The wedding finishes so McGee tosses confetti at his monitor, then removes his headset and thanks Gibbs. Gibbs tells everyone to grab their gear, they have a dead marine in an exploded car. McGee asks for a minute to change but Gibbs tells him no, he's had his minute.

At the crime scene the team reviews the evidence. The car was registered to a Lance Corporal Roman Vega who was stationed at Quantico and just returned from his second tour in Iraq.

They realize the bomb was in the trunk and exploded when Vega hit a pothole. Ziva reviews the evidence and believes the detonation was an accident. "We found the torso," Palmer calls out. Ducky says they will need DNA to positively ID the body as it's burnt up and there are many parts. Ducky says they are still missing major body parts. "Oh yeah, sorry forgot about that," McGee says as he holds out a bag. Palmer takes the bag, opens it and says, "That's the head." McGee found what is left of the head behind the bowling alley. "I do hope if the time comes when your head finds itself removed from your body, it is treated with more respect," Ducky tells McGee. Ducky and Palmer continue their search for the rest of the body parts. Gibbs tells McGee that they need a tow truck. McGee opens his phone but can't get a signal and comments how weird that is. "Weirder than you carrying a head around in a bag then forgetting about it?" Tony asks. McGee moves his phone and indicates he has a signal there but not when he's closer to the car. Tony mimics McGee's movements. "Yeah I got a dead spot like that in my therapists office," Tony says. McGee asks why Tony is seeing a therapist. Tony claims it's a physical therapist because he hurt his knee 'kneeling." McGee doesn't believe him. McGee heads over to his bag and pulls out a Geiger counter, he thought of something that could cause RF Local interference. He walks over to the car and does a scan. As the machine makes a static noise, Tony grabs McGee's jacket and pulls him backwards. "Radiation," McGee says.

The team is huddled by a Hazmat vehicle, dressed in white jumpsuits. "First the plague, now radiation poisoning. I'm starting to think someone really has it in for me," Tony says. Ziva and McGee remind him they were all exposed. "But don't let you stop that from thinking about yourself," McGee adds. "This isn't about me. It's about my little DiNozzo makers. They've been nuked," Tony says. "I know," McGee responds. "Do you? I mean sure Tim your kids are gonna be smart but mine had a shot at being really beautiful," Tony says. Ziva rolls her eyes and walks away. "Hopefully Gibbs will bring us some good news," Ziva adds. Abby comes running up in a yellow Hazmat suit and Tony says, "Now that doesn't look like good news." Abby jumps into Tony's arms and tells them she was worried. Gibbs tells them they are okay. Abby says they only found minute traces of radiation in the car, they can have their clothes back. "Nice work McPanic," Tony says. McGee asks Abby about the source of the radiation. She tells them that it wasn't the bomb, but the vehicle had been used to transport Cobalt 60, a byproduct of nuclear reactors, aka 'dirty bombs.' Tony asks why Lance Corporal Vega was transporting dirty bombs but Ziva says the most important question is, "Where is it now?"

The team arrives back at the squadroom. As they exit the elevator, they are all on the phone gathering information and as they each hang up, they tell the person on the other end to not talk to the press. "This just in..." is heard from the big screen in the squadroom with a featured headline "Dirty Bomb Loose in D.C." Tony reminds them Gibbs is going to want a full briefing when he's done talking to Vance and asks what they have on Vega. McGee tells Tony he did a preliminary workup on Vega while Tony was showering for the third time. Vega and his brother, Alfonso, went to live with their Aunt after their parents were killed. Ziva points out the cell records show that Roman called his brother during the police chase. Tony wants to bring Alfonso in but McGee informs him that nobody knows where he is. Tony yells at McGee to find Alfonso.

Gibbs and Vance are walking into the conference room. Gibbs tells Vance he's busy working on the case. Vance introduces Gibbs to Walter Cane, who tells Gibbs he's been following him. "What on my blog?" Gibbs asks. Walter says not exactly, he does his research but he knew they would end up meeting eventually. Walter runs a private intelligence firm and they do work for the Pentagon. The government outsources to company's like Cane's for countries they are not at war with. "Like Peru?" Gibbs asks. Walter's group is tracking a group called "New Liberty" out of Peru. They claim to be a grassroots organization, formed to protest U.S. anti-drug policies in Peru, which they say have caused civilian casualties. Cane thinks they are planning an attack to weaken the U.S.'s resolve.

Jack Knife

Season 7

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Recurring Role: Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell)
Guest Stars: David St. Louis (Gerald Lucas), Jason Spisak (Aaron Szwed), Peter Woodward (David Devoisier), Paul Telfer (Marine Corporal Damon Werth)
Production Code: 153
Summary: After one of the drivers of a shady shipping company is found dead, the NCIS team has to go on the road to take down the illegal activities along with the FBI.



A Marine, Damon Werth wakes up in a alley, lying in a dumpster complaining about his head. He sees his fellow Marine buddy lying on the trash below him and calls for him. He tells his buddy, Heatherton, it must have been a good party. When Heatherton doesn't answer, he grabs his arm and rolls him over. He falls backwards when he sees Heatherton's throat is cut.

McGee brings Gibbs home. McGee notices that Gibbs has cleared up the stack of magazines in the living room and remarks that it it looks nice and homey but "Not homey as in your my homey" he adds. McGee offers to check the fridge for food and Gibbs says he only asked McGee to drive him home. McGee opens the fridge and only finds fish food. "You know what I could do, feed the fish and if you get hungry, you could eat the fish," McGee tells Gibbs. Gibbs relaxes on the couch and McGee offers to help him with his shoes. Gibbs pulls out his gun and lays it on the coffee table. McGee nods his head, says "alright" and starts to head out. McGee pokes his head around the corner and says, "You got a new lock on the front door." "That's to keep out unwanted guests," Gibbs replies. McGee says he'll pick Gibbs up in the morning and leaves. Gibbs picks up his gun and aims it a partially closed door. "I know my goldfish didn't eat a t-bone," Gibbs says. Werth steps from the shadows and replies, "I'll pay you back Agent Gibbs."

"Friends are welcome, your not a friend," Gibbs says as he stands up. "I need help, I didn't want anyone to see us talking," Werth replies. "Your paranoid," Gibbs says, still aiming his gun at Werth. Werth informs Gibbs he's clean, he's off the juice. Gibbs asks who is after Werth. Werth says it's a man named Aaron Szwed who owns a trucking company. A friend of Werth's from the Core had been doing work for him, questionable work. Gibbs lowers his gun and tells Werth to continue. Werth approaches Gibbs and hands him a photo of himself and Heatherton that was taken after they'd been shipped stateside. Heatherton's wife and kid left him because he had trouble readjusting to life when he returned. "Like you?" Gibbs asks. "I didn't carry him out of the desert so he could wind up dead in some alley tonight," Werth argues. Gibbs hands the photo

back to Werth. Werth says Heatherton stopped by for a drink, wanted to talk about the last job he did. The two men ended up partying and Werth blacked out again. Gibbs wants to know if Werth's head is straight. "I only had a couple of beers, I swear," Werth replies. "You only had a couple you remember," Gibbs says. "He's still laying out there Gunny," Werth tells Gibbs. After a moment's hesitation, Gibbs calls McGee and tells him, "Hey McGee, day's not over."

McGee, Gibbs and Werth pull into the alley. McGee and Gibbs get out with flashes and walk down the alley. McGee tells Gibbs technically it's Metro's jurisdiction but they can take it if they find a reason. Gibbs points out they have a cooperating witness. However, Heatherton hasn't been on active duty/service since he was wounded in Iraq. They come across Heatherton's body and McGee says he'll call Metro. Gibbs replies, "Get Ziva and DiNozzo out of bed." "What?" McGee replies. "Wake them up," Gibbs says. McGee was confused, he realizes Gibbs wants him to wake them up out of their own beds, not that they were sleeping together. "Need some sleep yourself do ya McGee?" Gibbs asks as he walks back to the car. McGee says no but Gibbs shines the flashlight on his face and tells McGee he has bags under his eyes. "It's a look that I'm going for," McGee replies. As Gibbs approaches the car, Werth asks if he believes him now. Gibbs wants to know what Heatherton was doing for Szwed. Werth says he was driving a truck, doing some serious driving. Heatherton was across country and back in less than a week. Heatherton said he messed up but he had to, something about being a human first. Heatherton was recruiting Werth for his next run. Werth went to see Szwed before he showed up at Gibbs' house. Werth made a deal for 2 man job the next day and told Szwed he had someone in mind. Gibbs reminds Werth it's a murder investigation. "Szwed's bodyguard, Lucas, he carries a jack knife. I think they killed him," Werth says. Gibbs tells Werth he's a witness, he's not getting involved. Werth wants to know what he's supposed to tell Heatherton's wife and little girl. "I'll tell you, your just a witness here and not a very good one," Gibbs says. "No, I'm the guy taking a dead man's place behind the wheel. You need me Gibbs," Werth adds.

Gibbs shows up at Fornell's door. Fornell answers in his navy blue bathrobe, matching pajama bottoms and slippers, all disheveled. "What happened to your face?" Gibbs asks as Fornell is now sporting a beard. "What happened to your arm?" Fornell replies. "The job," Gibbs says. "Same," Fornell adds. Gibbs hands Fornell a cup of coffee with a smile. Fornell hesitates and looks at Gibbs before accepting it. Gibbs mentions Fornell just got home a few hours ago. "Rico case, couple of mob hits, deepcover. No sugar?" Fornell replies. Gibbs hands him a packet of sugar with a smile. "Try not to look so chipper," Fornell says. Gibbs watches, smiling and handing Fornell a stirrer, as Fornell adds the sugar, tosses the wrapper on the ground, then stirs his coffee and finally sips it. "Alright go," Fornell says. Gibbs tells Fornell he's taking his crime scene. "Let me hop in the shower," Fornell says and turns away. "Tobias, nice slippers," Gibbs says as Fornell shuts the door in Gibbs face.

McGee is sitting in the car with a sleeping Werth. McGee clears his throat loudly, waking Werth. "You were sleeping. It's kinda like being in a cave with a hibernating bear, ya know? Makes me nervous" McGee says. Werth says he'll fall right back to sleep. McGee says he can't do that, his brain keeps going, starts spinning and doesn't stop. Werth, dozing in the back seat says it would get irritating. McGee wishes his brain had an on/off switch. Werth says in the Core you learn to sleep whenever you can. McGee says, "That makes sense. You never know what's gonna happen next right?" McGee closes his eyes, then quickly opens them to find Gibbs sitting in the passengers seat. "Anytime Alice," Gibbs says with a smile. McGee says he wasn't sleeping, he and Werth were just talking. McGee looks back and Werth is sitting upright, wide-eyed in the back seat with Fornell sitting next to him. "Alright, let's go process the scene," Fornell says then looks at Gibbs, "You're already doing it aren't you?" he adds.

At the crime scene, Tony walks from the truck, stretching complaining about gaining weight this time of year and sleeping bad, waking up with knots in his back. "That's because you sleep in a chair," Ziva says. "it's not a chair," Tony says. "It's a knot chair?" Ducky asks as he checks out Heatherton's body. Tony brags about his top of the line chair, with massage features and a cup holder. "It is a massage chair that gives you knots. It is not healthy." Ziva says. "I'm gonna show you dear boy that with the passing years, the knots do not get any looser. For the sake of your health, give up the chair." Ducky tells Tony. "Coul we just not, say knot anymore? Thank you," Tony says and turns around to photograph the body. Ducky tells them Heatherton's throat was slit with what appears to be a serrated blade; death would have been quick.

In the conference room at NCIS, Fornell goes over the case file on Aaron Szwed for inter-state

trafficking. It's all allegations, Fornell tells Gibbs. Szwed runs a fleet of trucks moving products over land. "It's legit," Gibbs says. Szwed's delivery rate is higher than industry average and his prices are higher as well. On average, Szwed uses two drivers and one is always armed. Szwed came across the FBI's radar a year ago when one of his drivers shot a hijacker. The firearm was registered and Szwed didn't catch any flack for it. Gerald Lucas is listed as Szwed's head of security but Fornell couldn't find any employment records for Heatherton. "He was off the books. Why don't we bring Szwed in and ask him about it?" Werth adds. "Three reasons," Gibbs responds. "What's he moving? Where's he moving it? Whose he moving it for? It's tough to run the interrogation when you don't know the who, what, where, when, why and how," Fornell asks. "We know the when," Werth adds. Gibbs phone rings and he answers it. It's Ducky so Gibbs tells him he'll be there in two minutes. Werth stands up to follow but Gibbs tells him to sit, eat and drink. Werth feels he's good but Gibbs puts down a cup in plastic and tells Werth he'll be good when the lab says he's good. Gibbs and Fornell leave a frustrated Werth behind.

Fornell and Gibbs enter the elevator. Fornell asks, "Cooperating witness Jethro? Come on, what's the real story?" Gibbs says Werth was a Marine, saved a friend's life, couple of other guys too. "Core didn't work out? Seems like a team guy," Fornell replies. "Gibbs says he broke a rule. "And you didn't lock him up?" Fornell asks. Gibbs says he gave Werth a medal, he just had one lying around. "You know, it's not like he's wearing your pin. Your not going steady with the guy," Fornell replies. Gibbs says it didn't mean anything. "I think it meant something to him," Fornell adds as the elevator bell rings that they've arrived on their floor. As Fornell steps off the elevator, Gibbs hesitates, shakes his head up at the ceiling, then steps out and follows Fornell into autopsy. Fornell talks to Gibbs as they walk in. Ducky says, "In some eastern cultures it is believed that if you save a man's life you become responsible for him. I can imagine the pain the poor boy must be experiencing at the loss." "Assuming he's part of one of those eastern cultures," Fornell adds. Ducky says a mutual saving of a life is a powerful bond, and with a chuckle and pointing to Gibbs and Fornell adds, as evidenced by the two of you. "Oh is that why we're friends?" Fornell asks Gibbs. "It's more like shared misery," Gibbs responds. "God knows, you got enough to go around," Fornell sarcastically replies. "Hey, I'm a happy guy," Gibbs says. "Since when?" Fornell asks. "You don't know what I've been doing, I haven't seen you in months," Gibbs tells Fornell. "Whose fault is that? You only call when you need something," Fornell argues. "Well apparently when I need grief," Gibbs retorts. Ducky clears his throat to get their attention. He found fractures on Heatherton's right hand. "Recently?" Fornell asks. With a smile, Ducky replies, "I just found them." Someone tried to get Heatherton to talk and crushed the bones in his hand. "I wonder what he had to say," Fornell asks.

With a lullaby playing in the background, McGee is napping at his desk while Tony and Ziva stand and watch. McGee claims he wasn't sleeping. "We didn't say anything McGee," Ziva says. McGee wipes his mouth, points at Tony and says, "But you did something didn't you? What'd you do? Did you try and put my hand in this water?" "That would be a little juvenile," Tony replies. McGee thinks Tony drew on his face so he holds up a CD and looks into the back of it to check his reflection. "No, I suggested stripping you naked, putting a tag on your toe and dragging you down in to autopsy so when you woke up you'd think you were dead but Ziva thought it was in poor taste," Tony responds. McGee thanks Ziva, who has her hand behind her back. "I did not agree. I think there would be a lot of people who would like to see you naked," Tony adds. McGee finishes looking at his reflection, convinced that his face is clean, he puts the CD down. He asks Tony if there was anything in Heatherton's apartment. "Nothing out of the ordinary sleeping beauty," Tony replies. McGee found a couple of speeding tickets on Heatherton, one in Texas and one in New Mexico. "Oh so he gets around. So whose this confidential witness that's got Gibbs so gung ho about taking this guy down?" Tony asks. "Confidential," is all McGee says. "Oh okay. So I'm not going to tell you what Ziva did while you were napping," Tony says. McGee believes Ziva didn't do anything to him while he was napping. "Whatever you say McGee," Ziva replies. Werth walks in yawning and says Ziva's name. Tony looks up as Ziva says, "Damon?" "Yeah I was just peeing in a cup," Werth replies. McGee shows Werth the way to the men's room. Gibbs and Fornell walk in and Gibbs tells them the truck rolls in six hours and wants to know what they got. Tony tells him nothing. Fornell says he doesn't like the sound of that. More enthusiastically Tony says, "Oh, we got nothing." Fornell and Ziva look at Tony, then Fornell turns and talks to Gibbs. He wants to stop Szwed and stop the truck. "Or put someone on it," Gibbs says. "Whoa whoa, are we doing about letting Johnny Rambo go all First Blood again?" Tony asks. "Gee,

I hope not," Gibbs says. "We are putting way to much trust in this guy," Tony adds. "Sounds like a big gamble Jethro," Fornell says. Looking at Ziva, Gibbs says, "Let it ride."

In her lab, Abby is listening to music on her Ipod. A beep goes off and she looks at the clock. She walks over to where McGee is sleeping, his head resting on Bart, her stuffed hippo. Abby takes out one of her earphones and puts it to McGee's ear, which startles him awake. "You told me to wake you up at 2," Abby says. After he sits up, Abby asks about his trip to Africa and if he came into contact with a fly, possibly came back with a disease. McGee says he's not sick, he's just exhausted. He had no idea how hard Gibbs works, keeping up with Gibbs schedule is going to kill him. Abby tells him it won't work as it took years for Gibbs to get used to his schedule. McGee feels he owes Gibbs for saving his life. "That's part of his job description," Abby replies. "He pushed me out of the way of a moving car," McGee says. "Pushing people is really rude, McGee," Abby replies. "He's up at the crack of dawn, if he goes to bed at all. What exactly is running through that guy's veins?" McGee asks. "Coffee, McGee," Gibbs says when he walks into the lab. "Right, boss," McGee replies. "No, get me some," Gibbs replies. McGee is on it as he gets up to get some coffee for Gibbs. Gibbs tells McGee to get everyone ready. "Your enjoying having a valet," Abby tells Gibbs. "You done?" he asks her when one of her machines beeps. She tells him that Werth was 'roofied.' "Is there anything else that you need?" she asks Gibbs. With a smile, Gibbs replies, "IF there is, McGee will do it."

In the garage, Tony is cleaning out the NCIS van. "Last one to use the van should have to clean it out," Tony whines. Ziva reminds him he was the last one to use it. Tony laughs and tells her he wasn't because it smells like falafel's, holding a plastic basket with them in it. He knows a certain probie agent who eats falafel's and asks if Ziva wants to help him. Ziva thinks about it for a second, then says sure. She walks over and kicks the wastebasket to the door of the van, then walks away. "Probie?" Werth asks. Ziva tells him she's in the process of becoming a sworn NCIS Agent. Werth points out she has to be a U.S. Citizen and a legal resident. She tells him she's in the process of becoming a U.S. Citizen and strings are being 'tied' in regards to her residency. "Pulled, you pull strings," Tony corrects her. Werth mentions pulling heart strings. "Don't confuse the girl. It's taken a lot of marionetting to get her this far," Tony tells Werth. Werth asks Tony who her puppet master is. "It's probably best if we table the conversation of qualifications in case someone asks how your qualified to be on this op," Tony tells Werth. "It's not my first rodeo," Werth responds. "I know that cowboy," Tony says. Gibbs, Fornell and McGee exit the elevator and Gibbs tells them to get ready to roll. "Yeah boss let's get this guy out of here," Tony replies. McGee goes over the initial route they will take and he has gotten the prepass tracking numbers on all of their rigs. He's also got copies of Szwed and Lucas' drivers license. Tony doesn't think that will help and McGee thinks they might get lucky. "No no, the less we leave to luck the better with a civilian on the inside," Fornell responds. He walks over to Werth and says, "We're putting a lot of faith in you, son. Observe only." "Understood," Werth answers. Gibbs informs him that one of their guys goes with him as his partner. Fornell tells him to find out what's in the truck, take it to the other end and they will be following. The team brings up Rule #27 - there are only two ways to follow: first way they never notice you and the other way is they only notice you. They will have one team on the inside and one on the outside and they'll bust them on both ends. McGee begins to head to the car when Gibbs says Fornell is with him. "Well, then where are we?" Tony asks.

Tony pulls surveillance outside the warehouse while Werth and Ziva enter. Werth tells Lucas Ziva is his partner. "What, not comment that I am a woman?" Ziva asks. Lucas asks if she's kidding, like if he had a choice he'd hang around more dudes. "That'll make patting you down more enjoyable," Lucas says. "Try not to enjoy it to much," Werth tells him. Holding out her arms Ziva replies, "Good luck with that."

McGee enters the truck, telling Tony he got the telescopic mic up; he gave Ziva and Werth the blueprints so they could find a 'sweet' spot to place it in the warehouse. Tony comments on how much coffee McGee has and he should be careful with it. McGee opens the second cup and begins pouring sugar out of it into his coffee. "That's a lot of sugar," Tony says. As McGee drinks his coffee, they hear Ziva, Werth and Lucas' voices come over the mic. "Oh, what's pretty boy mumbling about now," Tony says. McGee says, "Wow can you hold a grudge." "He broke my nose," Tony quietly says. McGee points out that Werth dislocated his shoulder. "Well you have another shoulder and I only have one nose and it's on my face. It's on my face McGee," Tony replies. McGee reminds Tony it was two years ago and he should just drop it. Tony said that's

fine but Werth keeps coming back. Gibbs should tell him to just be on his way and go live his own life. McGee says Ducky thinks Gibbs feels a connection to Werth since they saved him. "Two schools of thought on the life saving/responsibility issue You got Robin Hood Prince of Thieves versus the World's Greatest Athlete," Tony says. McGee saw that one. Tony talks about actor Jan Michael Vincent, who played on *Airwolf* and his character's name was Stringfellow Hawke, the best character name ever according to Tony. The two men go back and forth debating about Robin Hood and the World's Greatest Athlete. McGee reminds Tony that Werth risked his life to save his country. McGee doesn't know what it is that they owe Werth but feels they do owe him. "Do me a favor, pace yourself with that stuff," Tony says as he watches McGee drink his coffee. Tony gets up and McGee leans forward, wondering what the weird sound is he is hearing coming from the mic.

Lucas has had Ziva and Werth empty their pockets. Ziva asks what he's looking for and Lucas responds, "Privacy." He tells them they can have their phones back when they are done then asks if they know how to use a CB radio. He points to their items on the table and tells them to collect their gear. Ziva puts a gun in her boot while Lucas grabs two bottles out of the fridge. He puts one on the table and hands the second one to Werth and says they probably have a lot of questions. "Just one, where's the truck?" Ziva asks.

At Gibbs' home getting ready, Fornell asks Gibbs if he hired a cleaning lady, it looks different. Gibbs says he didn't as his phone rings. Gibbs is doing a little circle dance trying to put his sling back on. "Want a hand?" Fornell asks with a smirk. Tony calls to tell Gibbs a truck is pulling in, it looks like it's almost kickoff where is he. Gibbs says they are switching vehicles, they'll be there shortly. "This is something for you isn't it? Letting me drive your car," Fornell says. "It's no biggie, you already slept with my wife," Gibbs says as he tosses Fornell the keys and heads out the door.

At the warehouse, the truck is backing in and Lucas closes the door behind it. Szwed tells Lucas to swap the plates and strip the markings. "Your partner's nice to look at. She double clutch?," Szwed asks Werth. Following, Ziva tells him she navigates. Szwed responds that men are terrible with maps anyway. Ziva wants to know where they are going and what they are taking. Szwed stops and looks at her. "Whats in the truck?" Ziva asks. The truck is full of melons. "We're moving melons?" Werth asks. Lucas tells them yes, they are moving them out of the truck, they have to empty it. "We are driving a truck full of nothing?" Ziva asks. "Not for long," Lucas says and walks away. Werth thinks it's not a trafficking job at all, it's a hijacking. "And we are the hijackers," Ziva adds.

Werth and Ziva finish unloading the melons off the truck. Lucas removes the markings from the side of it. Szweb walks up and uses trucker talk to Ziva and Werth. Werth wants to make a pitstop because they only have 3/4 of a tank of gas and he doesn't like to take chances. Szweb tells him to make it quick. Quietly Ziva asks Werth what language Szweb was using. Werth explains that Szweb says the truck is fast but to not push her, even when they are running on empty and to watch out for cops. "So the truck is a she," Ziva says. "Let's go rob someone," Werth says and shuts Ziva's door.

Tony and McGee watch as Szweb pulls out of the warehouse in a Ferrari. Tony tells McGee he had a hamster named Ferrari. They watch the truck pull out and notice the markings are stripped and the plates have been switched. McGee uses the binoculars while they wait for the signal from the truck. Tony wonders how difficult it must be to drive the truck because Werth keeps using his brakes. Ever the geek, McGee goes over the trucks specifications for Tony. McGee is tapping his fingers on the dashboard, which annoys Tony. Tony tells him to knock it off. McGee tells him he's not tapping his fingers, he's using Morse Code which is why Werth is tapping the brakes. "FU....E...L Fuel Tony they're stopping for fuel," McGee yells. Tony tells McGee he's done with the coffee but McGee wants to stop and get a refill. Tony reminds McGee they are the invisible tail, not the visible one. Tony calls Gibbs and tells him about the rendezvous spot at the gas station. Gibbs and Fornell have just driven past it. Fornell turns the car around, burning rubber as he does. They pull into the gas station, Fornell is driving fast and Gibbs is reminding Fornell, loudly, that they are on a stake. Fornell and Gibbs argue as they get out of the car. Gibbs tells Szweb he has a nice car. Gibbs yells at Fornell that he's getting a Slim Jim. "I don't want a Slim Jim," Fornell responds. "I wasn't asking ya," Gibbs yells back as he heads inside. Fornell stands there laughing. Fornell starts to ask Werth questions about the truck's engine. Ziva gets cash from Szweb to pay for the gas. Fornell mentions to Werth that it's against the rules to have his

girl along and why aren't there any markings on the truck. Fornell takes a step towards the truck but Werth pushes him back and reveals his gun. Heading inside, Ziva hands off the truck gps to Gibbs as he comes out. Fornell backs off and apologizes to Werth. Lucas and Szweb keep an eye on the situation. Ziva returns and hands Szweb his change. The truck and Ferrari leave the gas station. Fornell tells Gibbs that Werth was convincing and wants to know what Werth did that was wrong. Gibbs tells him "a small bout of steroid induced psychosis." "Oh great," Fornell replies.

In the truck, Ziva opens a compact, hands Werth an ear piece and puts one in her ear. She asks if McGee can hear her. "Roger that, 10-2, you are loud and proud. Come back," McGee says rather enthusiastically. Ziva smiles and asks if McGee is okay. Rather cheerfully, McGee says he's good, Tony's driving and he's been studying up on the lingo. McGee asks where they are bringing the cargo. Ziva watches Werth, who is driving intently. She tells McGee they are picking up, not dropping off and then gives him their destination and arrival time. McGee tells her he'll run a check, he thinks it might be a cargo vehicle. He continues to chat and gets up to move into the back of the van. Tony swerves the van to knock McGee off balance but McGee just continues and then says "over" to Ziva. She thinks the conversation is over and removes her ear piece. McGee keeps calling Ziva's name.

Ziva notices how tense Werth is so she tells him quietly to relax. He does and explains that Heatherton drove the lead vehicle in their convoy, when they got hit. Ziva talks about how trauma intensifies memory, which can make it feel ever present. Werth wonders if there is a reason and Ziva replies, "Perhaps to teach you so you do not allow it to happen again." He feels he keeps getting stuck in the same pattern. Ziva reminds him that the last time she saw him, he was in control, he helped them. She tells him he can move forward, he can find the right path.

Gibbs is on his cell phone saying "slow down" over and over. Fornell thinks he's talking to him so he hits the brakes on the car. "Not you, McGee," Gibbs says. McGee has narrowed it down to a garage owned by David Devoisier. It appears the cargo is assorted machinery. "Put the pedal to the medal Tobias," Gibbs says.

Gibbs and Fornell check out Devoisier's garage. They inquire if he normally gets a lot of shipments of machinery in the middle of the night. Devoisier wonders why this particular shipment has raised a red flag. Gibbs tells him they believe it may be hijacked. Devoisier wants to know who is hijacking him and Fornell tells him it's an ongoing investigation and they can't reveal who. Fornell tells him the truck originated in San Diego. "Then it's Aaron Szwed. You can bleach a blue color but that doesn't make it white," Devoisier says. The contents of the shipment belong to Szwed. Devoisier won them and Szwed lost so he wants the contents back. "This is all about a bet?" Gibbs asks.

Szwed was in over his head, throwing away money he couldn't afford to lose and wanted to prove he could run with the faster crowd. The wagers was Szwed's best car versus Devoisier's. It was a cross country race and the winner took the pink slips. "Sure, speed limits, there really just suggestions," Fornell says. They had teams backing them up in case they needed tires or something. Devoisier overheard Szwed cursing out Heatherton when he overheated because Heatherton was a no-show. Devoisier is shocked to learn Heatherton is dead. Gibbs wants to know if Devoisier can get a hold of his driver. "Sure why? Do you want to stop my truck?" Devoisier asks.

McGee pulls up Devoisier's records. Devoisier was on a commercial flight a week ago from San Diego to Dulles. Szwed had two speeding tickets, one in Texas and one in New Mexico. Fornell wonders if there's a fender bender that they are missing. Gibbs tells McGee he's going to lose him and hangs up. McGee moves back to the front of the van and wonders what kind of cars are worth killing for. Szwed was driving a Maybach and Devoisier was driving a 1970 Plymouth Barracuda Convertible.

Lucas radios Werth and tells him to pull over, the truck will be coming through soon. Szweb tells him to use the trailer to block the road. Ziva asks McGee what their plan is. As McGee is telling her he doesn't know, the van blows a tire. Tony gets the van to the side of the road and isn't happy.

The truck carrying the cars comes down the road and Szwed orders Werth to block the road. Werth hesitates and asks Ziva what to do. She tells him to stop the truck so Werth drives his truck and blocks the path of the second truck. Werth and Ziva stand beside the truck as the other driver struggles to stop and control the truck. It finally skids to a stop right in front of

the two. "And you people think I'm crazy," Werth tells Ziva. Lucas orders them to put a gun on the driver. Lucas and Szweb open the back of the truck and find Gibbs and Fornell standing there, guns drawn. "Do I even have to tell you, your under arrest?" Fornell says. Ziva walks up, astonished and looks in the back of the truck. Gibbs smiles back at her.

Devoisier is in the NCIS garage and is thanking Gibbs for returning them. "Boys and their cars. I'm a hot rod girl myself," Abby says. Ziva asks how much Devoisier paid for the car. "I paid \$1.2 million," Devoisier replies. Fornell whistles and Gibbs just smiles. "Are you stupid?" Abby asks him. "Stock. Hemi. Cuda. Convertible. From 1970, only 18 made Abbs," Fornell says as he walks around the car. "wow a hemi cuda, that's like the holy grail of muscle cars huh?" Abby asks Devoisier. Abby uses a magnet on the car and turns out one of the fenders is made of bondo. NCIS retraced Devoisier's path and he had an accident while on the road. He killed an 18 year old girl who was crossing the street. Heatherton brought the girl into the hospital and saved her, until she died. Devoisier couldn't destroy the car so he killed Heatherton, his only witness. Abby taunts him about how she'll find blood and hair when she starts taking the car apart.

In the squadroom, a lullaby is playing while McGee snores at his desk. Tony, feet up, hands behind his head, watches Werth filling out some paperwork. Werth says he's not looking forward to his next conversation. "It is better to do it in person. Tell Heatherton's wife that her husband died a good man, for being a good Samaritan and Devoisier is not," Ziva replies. Werth gives Ziva a hug and kiss on the cheek and she tells him she'll see him later. Tony says that Heatherton's wife lives in Cleveland, he went to school in Columbus and has friends there. If Werth is looking for work there, Tony will make some calls. Werth shakes his hand and thanks him. Tony offers Werth a ride but he says he'll walk then leaves. Tony watches Ziva then asks if her "see you later" was meant as a goodbye or she'd see him at a later date. Ziva wonders if Tony is having problems understanding simple English. He tells her to just answer the question and she doesn't.

Mother's Day

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Summary: Gibbs is forced to revisit his painful past when his ex mother-in-law turns out to be a witness in a murder investigation.



A couple are walking their infant son at 2am down by the waterfront. The husband wants to sit as he's tired so his wife tells him to sit for 5 minutes and she'll come back for him. He wants 10 minutes and as they talk about it, they hear gunshots. The husband walks towards them as their son awakens and begins to cry. He hears a woman cry for help and sees

her kneeling down, holding the head of the man shot, on the ground.

At the squadroom, the elevator opens and Tony exits. He is all excited as he's reading a message on his cell phone. Ziva thinks Tony has a date. Tony tells her that something special is happening to Special Agent Anthony DiNozzo today. "Who are you seeing?" Ziva asks. Tony tells her "Kurosawa" and Ziva thinks it's an Asian woman. "Kurasawa is a dude," Tony replies. "I did not know you were into Asian dudes," Ziva responds. Tony tells her Akira Kurosawa is an Asian filmmaker and he's in town and having a little festival of his films. Ziva holds up a book she's reading and says, "This is a work of art." "Oh yeah, you reading a new Judy Blume? I always liked Are You There God? It's Me Margaret," Tony replies. "This my friend is the Declaration of Independence. My citizenship test is coming up and I wish to pass with swimming colors," Ziva says. "Flying colors," McGee says as he walks towards his desk. "Any colors will do McGee," Ziva responds. "Ah Timmy, you look a little rough around the edges there. You up all night playing video games again?" Tony asks McGee. "Well I will admit that maintaining my state of the art status is exhausting but you are looking at a man who has his whole apartment wired to a single remote control," McGee says with a smile. Tony is amazed and wants to know if he has everything wired. McGee says he does, including his microwave. Tony says it's like the clapper, "clap on clap off" (single device attached to lamps activated by clapping your hands). "I am living the dream baby," McGee says as he gets to work. Gibbs walks in with his coffee in hand and says, "Ah no clapping yet. Norfolk, dead Navy officer." McGee wants to know if Gibbs minds if he grabs some coffee real quick. Gibbs says he does, they have no time and tosses McGee a candy telling him

to suck on this. Tony watches as McGee catches the candy, opens it and pops it in his mouth. It takes McGee a second before he realizes what Gibbs said. Tony, whose walking alongside him replies, "Suck it up McGee."

The team arrives at the crime scene and exit the car. Homicide Detective Philip McCadden says, "Well look at this, the Calvary has arrived." He walks over and exchanges comments with Gibbs. McCadden lifts the crime scene tape and in a flirtatious tone says, "Good Morning Agent David." In the same tone Ziva responds, "Good Morning Detective" as she ducks under the crime scene tape. Tony watches the exchange then gives orders to McGee and Ziva. McCadden lets the crime scene tape slip and it whacks Tony in the face and catches Gibbs. "Sorry boss, if there's anything you need, I'm right here," Tony says to Gibbs as he holds the tape up for Gibbs to walk under it. McCadden tells Gibbs about the witnesses, the couple with their baby who heard the shots but didn't see the assailant. He points to the fiancée of the victim, whose sitting on a bench nearby, back to Gibbs. McCadden says she's been there all night and is rattled pretty bad. The team begins to process the scene, taking photos and collecting evidence. "Put that insidious device away Mr. Palmer. This is a crime scene not a chat room," Ducky tells Palmer. Palmer apologizes and then tells Ducky she texted him 'yes'. Ducky is excited for Palmer. Tony says, "Palmer's em-bomber said yeah huh? Little funeral home girl. Listen Palmer, girls who work down there in the Mortuaries like to do it in the dark so what you want to do is...." Gibbs interrupts and tells Tony to focus.

McGee pulls out the victim's ID. It's Navy Captain Joseph Norton who lived in Norfolk and McGee finds a lot of cash box in his wallet. There is a ring box beside him but the box is empty. Ducky points out the multiple gunshot wounds to the torso and there was significant blood loss. Ducky starts to tell him time of death but Gibbs says they have a witness so there's no need. Ducky and Palmer prepare the Captain for his 'final voyage.' Gibbs asks McCadden if he minds if he talks to the witness. McCadden looks and sees Ziva sitting with her and says, "She's yours now, just keep me in the loop."

Ziva asks the witness if she saw the assailant's face. The woman, who has her face covered with her hands, says no it all happened so fast and it was dark. Gibbs walks up and Ziva introduces him. At the mention of Gibbs' name, the woman looks up. We see flashbacks of the woman, much younger, holding a child. Both Gibbs and the witness look a bit uncomfortable. "Jethro, this is a surprise," the woman says. Ziva is surprised to find out they know each other. Gibbs introduces Joann Fielding, his mother-in-law. "Ex. mother-in-law," Joann corrects him. Gibbs says she's Shannon's mother; "Kelly's grandmother", Joann adds. "So, when was the last time you two saw each other?" Ziva asks. "The girls funeral," Joan replies.

Back in the squadroom, McGee, Ziva and Tony are huddled together. "Alright McNosy what do ya got?" Tony asks McGee. McGee says from what he can gather Gibbs and Joann Fielding are estranged. Ziva reminds them that Joanna lost her daughter and granddaughter, and now her fiance has died in her arms and her former son-in-law is investigating, Tony and McGee should show her some sympathy. "Maybe she's cursed, like a Kennedy," Tony whispers. McGee mentions a case, which Ziva refers to the shooter being in the 'suppository.' "Depository," Tony corrects her. "That's what I said," Ziva replies. Gibbs walks up quietly and says, "I'm listening." McGee tells him they checked the cameras covering the waterfront but the cameras caught nothing. Ziva tells him it means the killer is familiar with the cameras patterns and knew how to avoid them. "Which means?" Gibbs asks. Tony says the killer is familiar with the promenade so they should start questioning employees, Marina shopkeepers and residents. McGee gives a rundown on the victim. Captain Joseph Norton, Supply Corp, 63 years old, no family, 6 months away from retirement with a spotless service record and never been married. "He was about to me, what about the engagement ring?" Gibbs asks. McGee pulls up the receipt on the engagement ring (3 carats, grade E, flawless, one minor inclusion). Tony tells him they have BOLO out on the ring and McCadden is checking in with local fences (Pawn shop owners). "That's good work DiNozzo," Gibbs says. Tony and Ziva exchange looks and Tony mouths, "What?" "You heard me," Gibbs says without looking at him. Director Vance walks up and tells Gibbs his mother-in-law is waiting in the conference room and he'd like to speak with Gibbs afterwards. "You come all the way down here to tell me that Director?" Gibbs asks. He gives instructions to the team and head up to the conference room. "Uh-oh, he complimented me twice," Tony says. "Very un-Gibbs," Ziva adds. "I better keep an eye on that guy. Don't you agree Director?" Tony asks Vance. "Is that your decision Agent DiNozzo?" Vance asks. "It's not mine to make sir," Tony replies. With a smile,

Vance says, "You got that right."

Gibbs walks into the conference room and places a glass of water in front of Joann. She comments that he's drinking the same old coffee. "Keeps my engine running," Gibbs says. The two make small talk as Joann asks about Gibbs' father and he asks about her husband. She tells him they divorced two years after Shannon and Kelly's death, he was never the same after they died. "How about you? You know you didn't have to go through this, alone," Joann says. "Oh I called Joann. You'd never call me back," Gibbs replies. "That isn't exactly how I remember it," Joann answers. Gibbs opens his notepad and begins asking questions about the night before. Joe and Joann went to a retirement party for a friend of theirs. Joe wanted to go for a walk by the waterfront and it was there he proposed. Joann was looking at her ring when a young white male in his 20's came from nowhere. Joe went for his gun and Joann wanted to help. Ziva knocks and walks in with the sketch artist. Gibbs places his hand on Joann's left arm and asks if she's okay to do this. "I want to do anything to help," Joann chokes out. Gibbs gets up and Joann watches as he walks out.

Gibbs walks into Vance's office and says, "This won't take long." "I'll be the judge of that," Vance responds. Gibbs mentions Protocol is he's related to the witness so he should step aside. He tells Vance this is where he asks Gibbs to step aside. "Okay, I'm asking," Vance says. "I'm declining," Gibbs replies. Vance is worried that Joann is the victim of another terrible crime and how it must affect Gibbs. Gibbs feels it was a long time ago and he's fine. Vance tells Gibbs he knows what pushes his buttons and this could be a problem. Vance allows it when Gibbs wants to speak off the record. "I want to do this for Shannon. She would've wanted it," Gibbs says. Vance agrees but if Gibbs' judgement comes into play just once, he'll remove him from the case.

Gibbs washes his face in the men's room. He remembers years ago, packing and leaving with Shannon and Kelly for the Marines. A younger Joann accuses him of taking her girls away from her. A younger Gibbs takes Kelly from Joann, gets in the truck with her and Shannon and drives off as a crying Joann watches. Tony walks into the bathroom and interrupts Gibbs memory. He apologizes and tells Gibbs that Detective McCadden is there. Watching Gibbs wipe his face, Tony asks if he needs anything. "You to leave," Gibbs says quietly. Tony leaves the men's room.

McGee goes over the evidence with McCadden. Tony asks what they can do for McCadden. McGee hands McCadden the witness statements and tells Tony Gibbs signed off on them. "You sure about that?" Tony asks. "Play nice kiddies, there's plenty of room in the sandbox," Gibbs says as he comes in and sits at his desk. McCadden reads Joann's witness statement. She told them she was wearing the ring when they were robbed. "You look at her fingers? She has arthritis. Try getting a size 4 ring on them," McCadden tells Gibbs. He asks what size ring Ziva wears. "Five. Every girl knows her ring size, just in case," Ziva says wiggling her left fingers in the air. McCadden asks if they ran a gun shot residue on Joann's hand. McGee explains how close she was to the victim at the time of the shooting so the test results would be useless. McGee gets a copy of the sketch done from the sketch artist so Gibbs walks to his desk. "You need help with the Bolo's?" McCadden asks. "Oh no, I think we got it covered Phil. After you," Tony says rather sarcastically. McGee runs the sketch through the facial recognition system, beginning with known felons first. McCadden remarks how they are already getting hits. "Get out of here McCadden," Gibbs says. "Happy to," McCadden replies as he turns to leave. McGee hands Gibbs the sketch and Gibbs doesn't look happy.

Gibbs returns to the conference room and places the sketch down in front of Joann. He demands to know who the man is in the sketch. Joann insists the man who shot Joseph. Gibbs tells her the man in the sketch is Kyle Buckley, a man Gibbs went to school with. Joann continues to insist it's the killer. Gibbs tells her that Kyle Buckley died 3 years ago in a car accident and demands she tell him if she saw the assailant or not.

Tony pulls up in front of a home by the waterfront. He jumps out of the drivers side, then runs over and opens the passengers door. He helps Joann out of the car and offers to see her in. She tells him she's fine, she just needs a little rest. "Well, some warm milk, a hot bath, you'll be fine in no time," Tony tells her. "I can tell your a good man Agent DiNozzo. Jethro doesn't trust many people," she tells him. Tony asks what Jethro was like when he was young. She tells him doesn't think she really ever understood Jethro, she liked him a lot and was very happy when he married Shannon. She thought they made a nice family and then everything changed. She apologizes for dragging things up, then thanks Tony as he opens the gate to let her in.

In the squadroom, Gibbs walks in and McGee tells him they retrieved Captain Norton's laptop

and a few cell phones from his apartment. Two of the cell phones were burn phones. Tony wonders why a career Navy Captain needs a burn phone. "Keep talking," Gibbs tells McGee. The cell phones were purchased in Arizona and used when Norton was still assigned to South American aircraft carriers, before his transfer to Norfolk. Norton was calling Nogales, Arizona half on the U.S. border, half on the Mexico border. According to the DEA, it was a major drug smuggling point for the Cartel. McGee cracked Norton's laptop and found 3 different Zurich bank accounts dating back almost 20 years and all dormant since he was transferred to Norfolk. Tony wonders why Norton bailed on the drug business. "Because he's not taking Navy trips to South American anymore; Cartel connections," Gibbs adds. McGee found 10 years worth of encrypted emails from Mexico and wonders how Norton smuggled drugs out of there when the ships never dropped anchor in Mexican ports. "Maybe somebody wanted their money back," Gibbs says and turns away.

In autopsy, Ducky stops what he's doing and begins sniffing the air. He looks at Palmer who begins sniffing as well. Palmer asks if Ducky is smelling for the scent of almonds and wonders if perhaps the bullets were laced with cyanide. "It's your cologne Mr. Palmer, it is absolutely retchid," Ducky says. Palmer tells him he's trying out different colognes and disposable contact lenses for his big date. "Change is good Mr. Palmer as long as you are the motivation for the change," Ducky tells him. Gibbs walks in, "Whoa, smells like a french ***** house in here." Laughing, Palmer tells Gibbs it's him. "What are you trying to do Palmer, raise the dead?" Gibbs asks. Ducky tells Palmer to take some samples up to Abby right away and then use the Hazmat shower. "Use it twice," Gibbs says as Palmer is leaving. Ducky lifts up Norton's heart in a plastic container and remarks that he hopes Palmer doesn't end up with a broken one of those. Ducky tells Gibbs the kill-shot entered the lower left ventricle. Ducky discovered Norton's entire gastro-nomic track is inflamed. It was infected by a parasite you get from sand-flies that are common in third world countries. "Like Mexico," Gibbs says.

Abby is in a target room, reenacting the crime scene and fires three shots into the male mannequin when Gibbs walks in. "Cool huh? It's like the carnival. If you hit the target, you could win a stuffed animal," Abby says enthusiastically. Gibbs puts his hand under the chin of Burt the farting hippo, who is on the table with safety glasses and headphones. "Except I don't like stuffed animals much," Gibbs says. Abby shows Gibbs the blood spatter pattern from the gun shots she fired on the second mannequin and hands him photos of Joann's jacket. The blood spatter pattern doesn't match where she claims she was standing. Joann told them in her statement she was standing behind Norton when he and the assailant struggled and the blood spatter would be on her left shoulder, but her left shoulder is clean. The blood is on the lower right of her jacket, inconsistent with her story. Abby's cell phone goes off, she's gotten some results in.

In her lab, Abby hugs her Major Mass Spectrometer machine. "If Major Maspec was a guy, I'd totally marry him and bear his little mini- mass children," Abby tells Gibbs. Gibbs puts his arms out and wants to know what he's looking at. Abby tells him it's the results from Joann's fingernail scrapings. There is evidence from a Navy airmen's jacket with chemicals from being on a flight deck on it. However, the coat wasn't a standard Navy peacoat, it was from an officer's jacket which has epaulet's in it's fiber.

Gibbs heads off to find Joann and sits with her on a bench by the waterfront. Joann comments that it's a beautiful morning. "A member of my own family has been lying to me. Your story doesn't add up," Gibbs tells her. "Well maybe your math doesn't add up. Look, the man I loved just died in my arms, what the hell do you want from me?" Joann asks. "Respect, a little honesty maybe," Gibbs replies. Joann claims she's always given Gibbs respect. He smirks and says when Shannon was alive, maybe. "In my family you have to earn it. When those girls died, you did nothing," she says bitterly. After a moment's hesitation, Gibbs asks if Joann knew that Joe Norton dealt drugs. Gibbs tells her he had millions in drug money that he got from the same man who killed Shannon. Shannon tells him to shut up, stands and walks away. Gibbs follows saying, "Shannon, Kelly, Mexico, Norton. They all have one thing in common Joann, you." Joann slaps Gibbs in the face. "You, you are the one who took my family away from me," Joann says. "I'm a Marine. I had orders, I didn't have a choice, I had to go," Gibbs says while Joann nods her head no at him. "Because of you their dead," she tells him. "I didn't kill them," Gibbs replies. "But it was still your responsibility. Why weren't you there to take care of our girls?," she asks him. "This is about the murder of Joseph Norton, Joann," he says. "Well go do your damn job

Jethro. Nothing ever stopped you before, nothing's gonna stop you now," Joann tells Gibbs.

In the squadroom, Tony is watching a movie on his PC, making faces, noises and hand movements. McGee watches Tony. "You want to learn about being a real man McGee, you gotta study the Japanese Samurai. These guys are like Gibbs, with even bigger stones and less to say," Tony says. "Is that even possible?" McGee asks as Tony's phone rings. Gibbs calls and asks what Tony is doing. Tony lies and says he was tracking down Norton's deployment history. Gibbs gives an order and hangs up. Tony tells McGee to stop what he's doing, Gibbs wants them to check some phone records on Joann Fielding, financial accounts too.

Gibbs returns to the squadroom and steps off the elevator with Tony and McGee. He asks McGee about Joann's phone records. McGee says there was nothing out of the ordinary going back 5 years except there were plenty of calls to Nogales, AZ, the U.S. side. There was only one number she called and McGee pulls it up on the plasma screen. Joann called Martin Hendricks, a retired PD, registered as a locator of missing persons. Gibbs realizes Joann was looking for someone. Tony tells him based upon financial records, Joann was paying Hendricks on and off for 2 years both in the U.S. and in Mexico. McGee tells Gibbs that Hendricks claims a 98% success rate. He also tells Gibbs that she spent almost \$28,000 on Hendricks. Gibbs dispatches Tony and Ziva to go Arizona to talk to Hendricks. "Arizona, do I have to?" Tony asks. McGee tells him his grandfather retired to Arizona and it's a dry heat. Tony doesn't look encouraged.

Ziva and Tony land in Arizona and drive to Hendricks' home. Tony gets out of the car, complaining about the heat. "Aren't you hot?" he asks Ziva. "I've been told that before," Ziva smugly replies. Tony tells her he was talking about the temperature. Frustrated, Ziva tells him to stop complaining because this is what winter feels like in Israel. "Well we're not in Israel, we're in the good old US of A my good little immigrant friend, where we like to embrace central air, not melanoma," Tony says. Ziva and Tony walk to the door, Tony knocks and identifies himself. Ziva notices something is broken off in the door knob and realizes something isn't right. She takes out her gun and tells Tony she's going in but Tony corrects her that they are going in. They kick in the door and come up against a wall of plastic. They rip it down and are immediately met by a horrible smell. "This guy Hendricks knows how to live," Tony says. "Or not," Ziva replies as they see a deceased Hendricks tied to a chair. Surveying the room with heating lamps on Hendricks, Tony says, "Looks like a homemade toaster oven." "Guess we found Hendricks," says Ziva. "Well done," Tony adds. "Thanks," Ziva replies. "Not you, him," Tony says as he looks at a rather 'fried' Hendricks.

Back at NCIS, Gibbs turns off the Interrogation tape video so it doesn't tape, then goes into interrogation to talk to Joann. He tosses down a file on the table, sits and asks Joann about Hendricks. Joann asks how Hendricks is. Gibbs takes out a photo of a dead Hendricks and shows it to Joann. "Oh my god, what happened?" she asks. "it's just us, there's no video. Talk to me. He's dead, you connect the dots," Gibbs tells her. Joann claims ignorance and Gibbs wants to know who she spent \$28,000 looking for. Joann claims she met Norton on vacation, lost his number when she returned and hired Hendricks to find him. "You took out a bank loan to go on a second date?" Gibbs smugly asks. "Don't patronize me Jethro," Joann replies. "You see the trail you're leaving? People are dead. Dangerous drug dealers are connected and you have no idea who you're dealing with," Gibbs tells her. Joann insists she's the victim. "This situation's got your name written all over it. I don't know exactly what you did or why you did it, but because of Shannon, I'll give you a chance. Do you want my help or don't you?" Gibbs asks. Joann remains quiet, so Gibbs picks up the file, gets up and as he leaves the room, wishes Joann luck.

Back at home, Gibbs looks at old photos of him, Shannon, Kelly and Joann. There's a knock on his door and he calls out that it's open. Attorney M. Allison Hart walks in and says, "You called Mr. Gibbs?" He offers her a beer and she accepts if he has a slice of cold pizza to go with it. When he heads into the kitchen, she makes small talk about her job as she sits and leafs through Gibbs' photos. He returns with a chair, as well as beer and pizza for Allison. As she bites into her pizza, she asks what it's all about, Gibbs made it sound important over the phone. He asks if she still does pro-bono work. "The price is right," she replies getting a smile out of Gibbs. He tells her his former mother-in-law may need her help. "Your kidding?" she asks. "No, and if anybody asks, we never talked. You okay with that?" he tells her. He hands her the file, then begins to head out and tells her to turn out the lights when she leaves. Flipping through the file, she says, "This may be the worst date I've ever had." Gibbs turns back and looks into the smile and the two exchange a smile.

In autopsy, Ducky recites poetry to Hendricks' corpse. "Love is but a sweet embrace, a whispered phrase, the graceful faith," he says. When Palmer asks if it's Tennyson, Ducky says it's his, he was in a poetry competition when he was 15 and he took second place. "Very romantic," Palmer says. Ducky tells Palmer he's trying to put him in the mood, it's a pity his embomber friend can't see the body, it's very unusual. Palmer wants to know if he can bring his date to autopsy afterwards. "No. What'd he die of?" Gibbs says as he walks in. "A dry wit," Palmer jokes. When he gets a look from Gibbs, he apologizes and says that Hendricks was baked to death. After a look from Ducky, Palmer moves to the back of the room. Ducky believes the Mexican cartel made an exception in Hendricks' case because usually their executions are more public and bloody. McGee calls Gibbs to tell him that Norfolk Sanitation found Norton's cell phone in a Marina dumpster. Gibbs asks if he found anything. Two phone calls were made to Lieutenant David Shankton. According to the Firearms database, Shankton owns the same make and model firearm used to kill Norton.

Shankton is brought into interrogation with Gibbs and Tony. Shankton can't believe Norton is dead, he had just seen him at the retirement dinner. Gibbs wants to know how well Shankton knows Captain Norton. Shankton served under Norton at the supply center for the past four years and the made in the Yucotan down in Mexico over a decade ago. "You and the Captain Margarita amigos?" Gibbs asks. Shankton says it's nothing like that. Before he joined the service, he worked fishing charters, that's how they met and Captain Norton inspired him to join the Navy. "Hmm, that's a touching story. You know we compared Captain Norton's credit card statements to yours and you know what we found? You guys were both in the same town at the same time in Mexico 18 different times," Tony tells Shankton. "It's a popular place," Shankton replies. Tony reminds him the Cartels smuggle a lot of drugs out of the Yucotan. "So what's your point?" Shankton defensively replies. Gibbs asks about his 9mm and Shankton says he did own one but someone stole it out of his house a month ago. Shankton wants to know what is going on. "We think you two had a little partnership. That's what we thinks going on. Cartel gives you the drugs, you have a little rendezvous with Norton and then he brings them back to Norfolk. Except, he wasn't really sharing the wealth was he?," Tony says. A bit teary eyed, Shankton looks at Gibbs and tells him he didn't kill anyone. "You talked to him yesterday, you knew he'd be at the party, knew he was going to propose to Joann," Tony says while putting on rubber gloves. He picks up Shankton's coat and asks if he minds if he just takes a look at it. He pulls a fiber from the jacket and tells Shankton if it matches, it puts him at the murder scene. Shankton insists someone is trying to frame him. "Well if they are, they're doing a pretty good job of it," Tony says. Gibbs gets up to leave the room and tells Tony to get the sample to Abby. Tony follows Gibbs out and Gibbs tells him to get over to Joann's and to keep an eye on her. "But boss, this is our guy," Tony says. Gibbs just looks at him and Tony says, "Okay, samples to Abby, on it."

Tony pulls up to Joann's just as Attorney Hart is helping her into her car. "Well, if it isn't M. Allison Hart," Tony says. When Tony asks if they know each other, Allison tells him Joann is her client. "Oh, well you get around," Tony replies. Allison tells Tony that Joann doesn't feel safe at her home. Tony asks Joann if she's okay. Joanna tells him she'll be fine as she gets in the car. Allison shuts the door then walks up to Tony and reminds him Joann has just suffered a terrible loss and their investigation isn't helping things. Tony asks if he could speak with her client for a minute and Allison tells him no. She says goodnight, gets in the car and begins to drive off. Joann waves to Tony as they pull away.

Gibbs walks into Vance's office and find McCadden chatting with Vance. "Is this an intervention?" Gibbs asks. McCadden jokes that Vance told him there would be cocktails. Vance asks if Gibbs is holding Shankton for Norton's death. Gibbs explains the evidence he has on Shankton. McCadden says that Joann probably knew Shankton when she spent time at Nortons house. Vance points out that Joann knew both Norton and Shankton and both were linked to the cartel responsible for Shannon and Kelly's deaths and they believe Joann set up Shankton. "Really Leon? That makes her awfully cleve. My mother-in-law, the vigilante," Gibbs says. Vance reminds Gibbs if his judgement came into play on the case. Gibbs says he'll take himself off the case. "Arrest her," Vance tells him.

In autopsy, Ducky tells Gibbs with the new information that Abby found, he decided to take another look at Norton's death. Given the way the bullets entered Norton's body and the blood spatter on Joann's waistline, she was in front of Norton and facing him when he was killed. Ducky apologizes and tells Gibbs that Joann fired the shots herself, he's sure of it.

Gibbs and Allison meet in his living room. He asks to speak to Joann alone, which Allison denies. She tells him he's out of beer and to get some light beer because the crappy beer he has is doing a number on her, as she sits beside him on the couch. Gibbs says they are family, he needs to talk to Joann. Allison says she'll advise Joann against it but it's up to her. "What are you up to Mr. Gibbs?" she asks. "You have been defending guilty people for too long," he responds. "As long as we battle each other and somebody wins, I have done my job," she says. He leans in and asks, "And that's okay with you?" She gets up, gets her stuff and asks if he really wants to talk to Joann. "Yeah, I want some answers. I want the truth," Gibbs replies. "Law school 101, the truth is overrated," Allison says as she's leaving.

In his basement, Gibbs pours Joann a drink. "Is this your personal torture chamber?" Joann asks. "The only person ever tortured down here is me," he replies. He sits and hands her a drink of scotch. He sits down across from her and tells her he knows everything. She couldn't get Shannon and Kelly's real killers, so she went after Norton - guilty by association. She puts down her glass and says she's not doing this. Gibbs points for her to sit when she begins to stand. He tells her the cartel killed Hendricks when they found him snooping around, so she found Norton. She found him, charmed him and killed him. Then Joann framed Shankton, planned it all like a pro. "Really, are you that smart?" Gibbs asks. "I'm just a mother who lost everything she loved," she responds. Gibbs tells her that Norton didn't kill Shannon and Kelly but he knows who did. He remembers back to killing the man who was responsible. "How'd it feel? Satisfying?" he asks. She hugs Gibbs and tells him what happened. The night Norton died, he proposed, then hugged her. She uses her finger to show Gibbs where she shot Norton, three times. She tells Gibbs nobody needs to know, they both did what they did. Gibbs pulls Joann to her feet and arrests her. Allison comes down the stairs and tells Gibbs he arrested her illegally and unlawfully. He interrogated her without proper citation of her Miranda rights and coerced a confession. If Gibbs doesn't stop, she'll pursue legal action. "The case will never stick right?" he asks Allison. "You just made a very big mistake," she replies. "Yeah, you won," he tells Allison. "Did I?" she asks. Gibbs takes the cuffs off Joann, tells her to take care. She tells him the same and he leaves his house, leaving Allison and Joann watching him.

Back in the squadroom, the team watches Gibbs return. As he goes to his desk, Vance walks up. Gibbs tells him that Abby matched the fibers to Shankton's coat. Vance says he had the means, motive and money. "The Lieutenant's a drug dealer, he deserves to do time," Gibbs adds. "Boss, what about your mother-in-law," McGee asks. Vance tells them, without looking, Joann Fielding is no longer a suspect or person of interest in the investigation. "Great, can we go home now?" Tony asks. As McGee, Tony and Ziva go to leave, Palmer walks up with his new girlfriend, Breena, a pretty little blond. Tony takes one look at her and says life is unfair. When she correctly identifies each of them, Palmer tells them he described them accurately and Breena has a photographic memory.

At home, Gibbs looks at the file on Joann, then tosses it into the fire.

Double Identity

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Summary: The NCIS team stumbles upon a surprising discovery as they investigate the shooting of a Marine.



A park ranger pulls up to a secluded spot in the woods, listening to the radio. He's eating a bagel and drinking coffee. A duck sound begins squawking, it's his cell phone, his wife is calling. He argues with his wife on the phone over apologizing to her mother. Suddenly, a gun shot rings out. His wife cries out asking what it is and two more shots rings out, the last one shattering his passenger side win-

dow. He gets out of his car and looks to where the shots are coming from. A man comes out of the woods holding his stomach. Phil draws his gun and tells the man to hold it. The man drops his hand and reveals he's been shot in the stomach.

In the squadroom, Tony is ringing the water out of one of his socks into his trash can. Ziva and McGee make faces while they watch him. "Jethro working you so hard you have to do the laundry at the office?" Ducky says as he walks in. Tony tells him he stepped in a puddle. "He did not watch where he was walking," Ziva says. Tony was texting Ziva. "Tony thinks that probationary agent means I'm his personal assistant. He wanted me to pick up his latte," Ziva says. Tony has his foot propped on his desk, wiping it and tells Ziva he was running late. "That is your problem," Ziva says. "I hate rain," Tony replies. "I love it. Rain is so invigorating, cleansing, it makes the air fresh and the city sparkle," Ducky tells them. Ducky walks to Gibbs desk, places a paper on it and asks where he is. The team says they haven't seen him but believe he's in the building somewhere. Ducky leaves and Tony asks if anyone has any Talc. "Hey, would you just take your foot to the locker room please," McGee asks Tony. Ziva quietly asks if any of them have noticed a change in Ducky lately. McGee says that he seems awfully chipper of late. "Ducky seems plucky. No-one loves rain in D.C.," Tony says. "No, his ties, he's been wearing tied ties, not

his bow ties," Ziva tells them. McGee tells Ziva that's very observant. Gibbs walks in and McGee tells him Ducky was looking for him. Gibbs asks what he wanted and McGee tells him he left something on his desk. Gibbs grabs it, puts it in a file folder then tells the team it's time to go, Marine shot in Rock Creek Park. Tony grabs his wet socks as Gibbs tosses him a clean, dry pair that he took out of his desk. Tony thanks him then asks if they are clean and says of course they are.

At the crime scene, the team begins to process the evidence. A 9MM handgun was found at the scene by one of the Park Police Officers. As Tony is checking it out, the Officer looks down and notices Tony has one white sock and one black one on. McGee takes the opportunity to take a photo of Tony's mismatched socks. The FBI ERT removed a slug from the Park Ranger's vehicle. The footprints are too muddy so there's nothing they can lift. Tony asks him to get all the evidence to their office. The Officer tells him it's between him and the FBI, they aren't getting in the middle of it. Tony wants to know why the FBI got involved and the Officer tells him they called them in for ballistics. The only thing found on the victim is what looks like a house key, tied to his shoe laces. "Then how did you ID Lieutenant Mayne?" Tony asks. The officer pulls out a mobile fingerprint scanner and asks why they don't have them. Tony stutters and says they are coming, they just haven't been issued yet. McGee is drooling over the new technology and asks if he can try it. The officer scans McGee's fingerprint when Gibbs walks up. He tells them the victim is in surgery and the park police and FBI can clean up, he wants to get to the hospital. The officer pulls up McGee's photo and name from AFIS Mobile and shows it to McGee. "Timothy (no middle name) McGee" he says and shows him his record for breaking into a police impound yard. McGee is upset as he thought that record was supposed to be expunged. McGee pulls up Mayne's data on his PDA. He has a wife, Leah, who lives in Woodley Park. McGee thinks there is something wrong with the Officer's equipment because according to the database, Mayne went missing in Afghanistan six years ago.

Gibbs is waiting outside Mayne's room in ICU. The doctor comes out and Gibbs wants to know when he can talk to him. The doctor tells him he's not sure because one bullet grazed Mayne's forehead and the other bullet went deep inside his abdomen. Mayne has lost a lot of blood and the slug is embedded in his spine and it's far too dangerous to remove it at this time. The doctor gives the nurse some orders, signs the chart and tells Gibbs he'll let him know if there are any changes.

Tony is sitting in the hallway with Leah Mayne. She is in disbelief after she hadn't heard from her husband in 6 years. She just assumed he was dead and can't believe he's alive, been living in D.C. and has been shot. Gibbs walks up and tells her they have fingerprint identification but he'd like for her to make a visual ID. After a moment's hesitation, she agrees. Gibbs offers her his hand and helps her up. Leah walks into ICU with Gibbs and Tony. She says it looks like her husband except last time she saw him he was clean shaven and had a Marine buzz-cut. She describes a birthmark on his left shoulder. The nurse pulls back the gown and reveals the birthmark. Leah asks Gibbs where John has been for the last 6 years. Gibbs says he doesn't know but they are going to find out. He and Tony leave and give her a minute alone with her husband. In the hallway, Gibbs tells Tony to stay there and call him if Mayne regains consciousness. "You subscribed to the DiNozzo theory, always suspect the wife?" Tony asks. Gibbs smiles and walks away. Tony looks inside ICU as Leah takes out her cell phone and makes a call.

Back in the squadroom, Ziva walks by Tony's desk and notices his sock hanging from the lamp. Using her pen, she picks up the sock and deposits it in Tony's desk drawer. Gibbs walks in asking what they have got as Ziva shuts the drawer. Three years ago, Lt. Mayne was part of a 3-man deep cover recon in Afghanistan. Mayne went missing. The other 2 men were Captain Gordon Holcomb and Sergeant Matthew Gontz. McGee hangs up the phone and tells Gibbs that Holcomb is still in the military, stationed at Quantico and he's coming in the next morning. Gontz was honorably discharged 5 years prior and they still haven't found him. Gontz went through a divorce and a series of jobs. Gibbs remarks that Gontz had trouble readjusting to civilian life. McGee is going to try and track him down through Social Security Administration.

In her lab, Abby is feeding a small puppy food. Gibbs walks in and asks what the dog is doing there. Abby introduces him to Mortimer and proudly tells him she is an SVPR - Substitute Volunteer Puppy Raiser. Mortimer is going to be a seeing eye dog one day. Gibbs gives her a look so Abby puts the dog down. She tells him the 9MM gun is unregistered and only has Lt. Mayne's prints on it. There were 2 shots fired and 13 remain in the magazine. The slug the FBI pulled

from the SUV is too mangled to match but it's bigger than a 9MM. Gibbs tells her that Ducky talked to the Doctor, Mayne's wounds weren't self-inflicted. Abby follows Gibbs to the elevator and asks what is going with Ducky. She says he's acting very "un-Duck-like." Ducky leaves every day for lunch and the "Duck-man" is a creature of habit, bringing his lunch in and eating it at his desk every day. Gibbs tells her he's sure Ducky is fine then tells her to not let the dog out of her sight. Abby turns when she hears the puppy bark and sees he's got her skeleton foot between his teeth. She goes running back into the lab as the elevator doors close on Gibbs. ("No Mortimer! That's not YOUR bone!")

McGee and Ziva show up at a cab company looking for Gontz. They find Gontz and ask him about the recon mission where Mayne went missing. Gontz says he's told that story a hundred times and McGee tells him they need to hear it for themselves. The 3 men were inserted into a hostile environment on a keyhole mission, defensive weapons only. The mission was to place and recover remote target sensors and everything went according to plan until they made for the exit rendezvous and Lt. Mayne broke his leg. "How did it happen?" Ziva asks. They were going over a wall outside of a small village and Mayne snagged his K-bar sheath on some barbed wire and fell. "It just wasn't his day," Gontz says. Holcomb and Gontz stashed Mayne in the basement of an abandoned building while they went to commandeer a vehicle. When they returned, Mayne was gone and they assumed he'd been captured. Ziva asks if they still went to the exist rendezvous. "We had to. We followed mission protocol. I've never forgiven myself for leaving a team member behind," Gontz replies. The Marine Corp tore the countryside up and down looking for Mayne. Gontz asks if they are done because he has to clock in. As Ziva and McGee start to leave, Gontz calls out for them to wait and asks why all of this is coming up again. McGee tells him Mayne is no longer MIA, he showed up the day before, shot.

Holcomb meets with Gibbs, Ziva and McGee in the conference room at NCIS. Holcomb can't believe Mayne is alive and tells Gibbs the last time they saw him was when he broke his leg. "It just wasn't his day," Holcomb says. At the sound of the same words Gontz used, Ziva and McGee look at one another. Gibbs phone rings so he answers it. Tony calls to tell him that Mayne is awake. Gibbs asks if Holcomb has had any contact with Gontz since the mission. Holcomb says he lost track of him after he got discharged. Holcomb wants to know if Gontz has been told Mayne's alive. "Yes he has," Gibbs replies.

At the hospital, the team waits outside Mayne's room for the doctor. Dr. Tallridge comes out and tells them he's conscious but incoherent so he shouldn't be bombarded with questions. The doctor wants to keep him sedated so Leah asks for how long. "It's to early to tell," the doctor says. A woman comes up and asks for Gibbs. She introduces herself as Rachel Wells and says she was told by police to see him. Gibbs asks what it's about. She tells him her husband went jogging the morning before. When he didn't return, she reported him missing and showed the police his photo. She hands Gibbs a photo of her and Mayne. "You're married to John Mayne?" Gibbs asks. "No his name is Christian Wells," Rachel replies. "No, his name is John and he's my husband," Leah tells her.

Outside the hospital, Gibbs and Rachel get a cup of coffee and sit down to chat. Rachel and Christian met two years ago on the track. They just nodded heads for about a month, then finally talked and went out for coffee. Shortly after they began dating. "How long have you been married?" Gibbs asks. "Just over a year," she says. They eloped over Christmas in Hawaii. Gibbs asks if she met his family. Rachel tells him he has no family, he's an only child and both of his parents are dead. Gibbs tells her Christian's real name and that he went MIA in Afghanistan. He asks if Christian has a job. She tells him he day-trades and he'd inherited a lot of money, but that's not why she married him. Gibbs asks if she's a runner, how come the two of them didn't go running together the morning he was shot? Rachel says she's been nursing a hamstring. She gets up to go back inside and Gibbs asks if she knew he was meeting someone in the park the day before. She stops, turns and says, "No." "Know he owned a gun? He had it with him," he says. After hesitating a moment, Rachel heads back inside the hospital.

In the squadroom, Ziva tells Gibbs the district does not take fingerprints when issuing a driver's license which is why Christian Wells didn't come up on the scan. Records reflect his arrival in the Virginia-Maryland area 5 years ago but nothing prior to that. Lt. Mayne has constructed a new life. McGee has found a whole bunch of brokerage and bank accounts in his name. One mutual account alone he has over \$5 million in it and his total worth is over \$12 million. Over the last 2 weeks, someone ran credit checks on Christians Wells. Gibbs asks if he

has a name. Peter Iger of Iger Investigations. McGee called him and left a message. Gibbs tells McGee to track down the source of the money and for Ziva to track down Iger.

At the hospital, Tony watches as the doctor checks on Mayne. When the doctor comes out, Tony says Mayne looks coherent enough and want to question him. The doctor tells Tony he's not out of the woods yet and won't allow Tony to question him. "Have you informed the wife of his condition?" Tony asks. "Which one?" the doctor asks. Smiling Tony says it's quite the dilemma isn't it. Rachel Wells comes in and demands to see her husband immediately. Dr. Tallridge tells her that her husband is still in critical condition and he can't let her in the room. Leah Mayne walks up and overhears the last part and says, "No no no no. If you let that bimbo into my husband's room I will sue this hospital and you personally for everything you've got." Rachel walks away and Leah follows. "You ever been married doc?" Tony asks. "Twice, but never at the same time," he replies.

Ziva finishes a phone call and hangs up. She's heading out to see the P.I., Iger. Ducky walks in as she's leaving so she compliments him on his tie. Ducky thanks her and begins to tell her he got it at the Metropolitan museum and tells her what it's supposed to represent. Ziva looks to Gibbs while Ducky carries on. When Ducky is done, Ziva compliments him on the 'flowers' or 'whatever' on his tie then tells him she has to run. Gibbs holds up a piece of paper and asks Ducky if he needs it. Ducky thanks him and tells him he just needs a long weekend. Palmer has autopsy covered and Ducky is reachable on his cell phone. "Duck, everything okay?" Gibbs asks. "Yeah, never better why do you ask?" Ducky says. "Half my team's worried about you," Gibbs says. "Which half?...Abby and Ziva," Ducky says with a smile and walks away.

Still waiting at the hospital, Tony takes an opportunity and slips into Mayne's room. Raising Mayne's bed, Tony says, "Rise and shine sleepyhead. How ya feeling?" "I've felt better," Mayne replies. He asks who Tony is. Tony takes note that he's thinking clearly, shows his badge, introduces himself and says, "I'd like to ask you a couple questions Lt. Mayne." Tony asks who he should call him, Lt. Mayne or Christian Wells. Mayne's heart monitor begins beeping at a faster rate. Tony tells him there are 2 women claiming to be his wife out in the waiting room. He asks where Mayne went after Afghanistan. His monitors begin beeping loudly so the nurse comes in and asks what Tony is doing in there. Tony lies and says he was fluffing Mayne's pillow, he looked uncomfortable. She kicks him out so Tony ends up talking to Leah and Rachel in the waiting room. Mayne sees both women standing there talking to Tony.

Ziva shows up to meet with Iger. She walks up to a car and hears a man talking on the phone so she knocks on the window. He lets her in the car, which is trashed with papers and food. He thanks her for meeting him there because he hasn't left that spot in 3 days. "Stakeouts are brutal," Ziva says. He asks what she needs. "Why were you investigating Christian Wells? Come on, we know you ran credit checks on him," she asks. He tells her a client hired him. Ziva asks who hired him to find out about Wells. A guy who had an internet photo of a marathon runner crossing the finish line, thought it was someone he knew. Iger pulls up the photo on his laptop and tells Ziva he found out his name by running his number through the marathon registration information. It wasn't the person his client was looking for. Iger tried to do a little more by checking into Wells finances but he didn't get anywhere. "Took ten minutes, easiest \$500 bucks I've ever made," Iger says. "You should have dug deeper," Ziva tells him. "Why?" he asks. She wants the name of his client but he tells her it's privileged. She tells him it's not privileged because they are investigating a shooting and it will take nothing to get a subpoena. After a minute, Iger pulls up the contract and tells Ziva the man who hired him was Gordon Holcomb. "Major Gordon Holcomb?" she asks. "Yeah, think he was a Marine?" Iger asks. "Yeah," Ziva says.

In ICU, the team is working on Mayne who has gone into cardiac arrest. Tony and Leah walk in and watch as the team tries to revive him. "We've lost him," the nurse says. Tony looks uncomfortable at this news.

At the squadroom, McGee is going over the updated evidence about Holcomb with Gibbs. "As much as I was thinking one of the wives did it, this guy's looking awfully guilty. Now that Mayne's dead, guilty of murder," Tony says. When Mayne went missing in Afghanistan he was broke, pulling in \$3300 a month. Six years later his name is Wells and he's worth over \$12 million. "Where did the money come from?" Gibbs asks. McGee is only able to trace the money back 5 years from a wire transfer from an off-shore account in Nevis. "Freeze all his accounts," Gibbs says. "You got it boss," McGee answers. Gibbs thinks there's a connection with what went down in Afghanistan 5 years ago. He questions McGee about Holcomb and Gontz using the same

choice in words. "It's like they were reading a script," McGee says. "Check with our agents in Kabul, see what they dig up," Gibbs tells Tony. McGee's phone rings and he hangs up. He tells Gibbs that Major Holcomb is in the lobby.

Ziva escorts Iger into the interrogation area. Iger gave up on his stakeout because the client wouldn't pay for any more time. "I hope I helped, I didn't really tell you anything new," he says. Just then, McGee and Holcomb walk down the hallway. Holcomb glares at Iger as he passes by. Ziva and McGee smile at Holcomb's reaction. "You guys are really devious," Iger tells Ziva as they walk away.

In the interrogation room, Gibbs pulls out the marathon photo of Mayne. He asks Holcomb why he hired the P.I. "I was surfing the internet, came across the marathon and thought the runner in that picture looked like John Mayne," Holcomb says. "You spent \$500 of your own money to hire a private investigator?" Gibbs asks. "Yeah," Holcomb replies. "You didn't mention that yesterday," Gibbs adds. "The investigator told me it wasn't him," Holcomb says. "So when you saw the photo, why didn't you call the police? Why didn't you call us?" Gibbs asks. "I never came to terms with what happened during that Op in Afghanistan. One of my men was left behind. I knew the chances of that runner in the photograph being Mayne was slim so I didn't want to dredge everything up with the Marine Corp again. Trust me, if that P.I. had told me Mayne was alive, I'd have come to you in a second," Holcomb says.

In autopsy, Ducky is reviewing Mayne's x-rays. He feels something is amiss and Lt. Mayne is even more of a mystery. The doors open and in walks Abby with Mortimer. "Ah so this is the little rascal I've heard so much about," Ducky says as he bends down and pets the puppy. Abby wants the puppy to have a playdate with Ducky's mother's dogs. "We'll see," Ducky says. Ducky asks if she matched the slug from the Lt.'s body. "No, it was a .45, the gun they found at the scene was a 9mil but there was definitely a second weapon like Gibbs' suspected," Abby says. Ducky checked Mayne's x-rays for a previously broken leg but found no evidence. Abby is staring at him and tells him she's looking at his tie. "My neckwear seems to be a source of fascination. Do you like it?" he asks. "Yeah but you're Ducky and Ducky wears bow-ties," Abby tells him. Ducky talks to her about making a change. She tells him he looks adorable with his tie. Abby tries to get Ducky to go to lunch with her but he declines. She asks about the next day but he tells her he has plans, then dismisses her so he can call Gibbs to tell him about the lack of a broken leg. "He's up to something Mortimer," Abby whispers to the dog on her way out.

Rachel Wells has shown up at NCIS. She is upset with Gibbs and refuses to believe her husband isn't who he said he was. "Before we had a fingerprint ID, now we have a positive DNA match," Gibbs tells her. Rachel sees Leah walking on the other side of the squadroom with McGee. "Oh don't tell me they're releasing Christian's body to that woman," she says. He tells her at this point, they aren't planning on releasing his remains to anyone. She's upset because she tried to get money out of the ATM that morning and was declined and the bank told her all their accounts were frozen. He tells her that Mayne lived a fraudulent life, his parents are still alive so there is no inheritance. She wants to know how she is supposed to live and if she needs to get her lawyer involved. "I don't know, you do whatever it is you need to do okay?" Gibbs says as he walks away. Gibbs asks Special Agent Sanchez to escort Rachel back down to the lobby. "I'm not going away Agent Gibbs," Rachel says on her way out.

Gibbs ask Tony what he found out. "About the time Mayne went MIA, an Afghan drug lord claimed some U.S. soldiers stole millions from him. Maybe that's how poor Mayne became rich Wells," Tony says. Gibbs points out the other 2 men were lying about Mayne's broken leg. "Okay, let's get em back in here," Tony says. Gibbs want to get to the cab driver first because he's the weakest. "He is the weakest link and I'm on it boss," Tony says.

Gontz is in interrogation when Gibbs walks in. Gibbs slams a folder down on the table, then stands across from Gontz. "They told me John Mayne died," Gontz said. Gibbs tells him he was killed and they believe it had to do with millions. "Any idea how he got it?" Gibbs asks a bit sarcastically. Gibbs walks over, pulls information out of the file and tells Gontz they think the money was stolen from an Afghan drug lord who has been a guest at Gitmo for the past 6 years. "He claims that he was robbed by Americans," Gibbs tells him. When he gets no response, Gibbs sits down and says, "Come on man, what happened on that Op?" "You help me, I'll help you," he tells Gontz. While doing their Op, on the way out of the village they took fire from the drug lord's guards, who thought they were after the money. After they took the guards out, they found 5 oil drums full of U.S. bills. They left Mayne to guard the money while they went in search of

a vehicle and when they got back, Mayne was gone. They told the story about the broken leg because they couldn't tell the truth about the money. Gontz felt guilty all these years thinking Mayne was captured because they wanted the money, only to find out he was alive.

Music is playing as a Chrysler pulls up outside someone's home. Holcomb gets out, goes to the door and rings the bell. The door is opened by Leah Mayne and she greets Holcomb with hugs and they kiss. Ziva has followed Holcomb and takes photos of the two of them together.

In interrogation, Ziva confronts Leah Mayne with the photos she took. Ziva asks how long she and Holcomb have been involved. "Involved. After Gordon returned from Afghanistan and told me about John being MIA. He stopped by to check on me every 3 or 4 months and about 3 years ago, his marriage started to fall apart and that's when things started to change between us," Leah answers. Tony asks her if the phone call she made from the hospital was to Major Holcomb.

In another room, Holcomb admits Leah called him to tell him John Mayne was alive. He knew he was alive before Gibbs brought him in. "You didn't tell us you hired a private investigator. When are you going to stop lying," Gibbs yells. "I was just trying to protect my career and marriage. Now they are both over," Holcomb says.

Leah says Holcomb stayed with his wife for the kids. Tony asked if she was still collecting her husband's military salary and allowance and Leah says she was. When asked, Leah tells them she didn't know her husband was alive until they called her to the hospital. Ziva asks where she was the morning John was shot. "With Gordon," Leah says.

Holcomb tells Gibbs he lied to his wife. He told her he had to spend the night at Quantico. He and Leah spent the night at a hotel in Falls Church and didn't know until Leah was called to the hospital that John Mayne was alive.

In the squadroom, McGee pulls up footage from the hotel. The video shows Leah and Holcomb checking out of the hotel, the Major paid in cash. "Of course he did, he's married," Tony tosses in. Ziva stares at him. McGee says the video confirms they were both in Falls Church at the time of the shooting. "You are so quick to suspect the wife," Ziva tells Tony. "Still do, he's got 2 of em. And 2 lives," Tony says. "Which life got him killed?" Gibbs asks. "I'm thinking it's the little hottie. Knew about her husband's former life and stolen money. Don't ya think? I mean she said she didn't go running because of a blown hammie but she was strutting around pretty good last time I saw her" Tony adds. "Let's find out where she was," Gibbs says. Ziva wonders about Gontz because he knew about the stolen money and could have crossed paths with Mayne. Suddenly a loud clap of thunder and lightening let loose outside. Tony whines about no more rain because the weather man said it would miss them. "What do you care about it. A little rain's not going to hurt you," Ziva says. "It'll hurt my wallet. I just had my car washed," Tony says. "That is why I never wash my car in the winter," Ziva tells them. "That's a big mistake because you got to wash off the de-icing salt, otherwise it'll eat through the undercarriage," Gibbs tells her. Tony points his finger at Gibbs, agreeing with him. Suddenly, Ziva looks down, picks up a business card and goes over to McGee's desk. She asks him to track down where the cell phone on the card was on the morning Mayne was shot. She hands him the card for Peter Iger. Gibbs asks Ziva what's going on. She tells him Iger lied to her. He told her he hadn't left his stakeout for 3 days but his car was so spotless on the outside, she could see her reflection. McGee tells her the Iger's phone was off that morning. "I do not believe it. He is always on it. That man practically has a wire growing out of his ear. He would never turn it off Gibbs," Ziva says. McGee points out he would if he didn't want to leave an electronic trail. Gibbs asks if Iger's phone is on right then. McGee pulls it up and gives Gibbs the location.

Tony and McGee find Iger's vehicle, which is locked and Iger isn't in it. Tony sees a laptop on the passenger side and wants to take look at it. McGee calls Ziva and has her pull up the cell tracker and she tells him he's at a restaurant a block away. "Perfect, I'll get the slim jim," Tony says. "Hey, hey, we don't have a warrant. I have a record and besides a slim jim is very very old school," McGee says. Tony asks if he has a better idea and McGee says he does. He puts Ziva on hold and tells Tony he built an application on his phone. Punching in the vehicle's identification number, McGee is able to hack into a database and pull down the codes for the remote for the car. "I'm glad that MIT education paid off for something McGee," Tony says. "It is pretty super isn't it?" McGee says. The two go back and forth about unlocking the door. Tony grabs McGee's phone and hits the button unlocking Iger's doors. He gets in, sits in the passenger seat and checks out the laptop. McGee tells Tony they can't look at Iger's computer. "You know you're right. You could be in here in 10 seconds and then we could be out of here. Come on, I'll

hold the phone," Tony says. An older Chinese couple are watching Tony and McGee from inside the restaurant. McGee hacks into the laptop, pulls up Holcomb's file and then turns the laptop back over to Tony.

Ducky walks through a cemetery, carrying a bouquet of flowers. Ducky stops at a headstone and reads the name, it belongs to his mother. He places the flowers by the headstone and begins to talk to his mother about the opera the night before. Mortimer comes up to Ducky and he realizes Abby is there. She asks when his mother died and hugs Ducky.

Tony reads Iger's files. He has photos of Mayne running and tossing a water bottle. Tony reads a letter that indicates Iger took the water bottle and sent it to a lab for verification. Iger got an email back telling him the fingerprints belonged to Lt. John Mayne, so Iger knew the truth all along. McGee tells Ziva to check the database and see if Iger has a registered .45. McGee wonders why Iger wouldn't turn the information over to Holcomb. Tony tells him he only got his meager fee if he handed it over to Holcomb. Iger blackmailed Mayne to get more money. While Ziva's running through the database to check on the .45, McGee's cell tracking system shows that Iger is moving back towards his car. Ziva gets the hit on the database she needed; Iger owns a .45 gun. Tony taunts McGee that it's too bad they won't be able to use the information because they obtained it illegally, because McGee broke into Iger's car. "Criminal," Tony calls McGee. Ziva notices on McGee's computer that Iger is on his way back to his car and warns McGee to get out of there. Iger rounds the corner and McGee and Tony are standing by his car. "Hey, NCIS right?" Iger says. Tony tells him they have to ask him a few questions. McGee asks to see his .45. Iger nervously tells them he hasn't carried it in years, he sold it at a gun show. Tony asks Iger to put the bag down but rather than listen, Iger tosses it at Tony and takes off running. Gibbs pulls up and Iger runs into the car. Gibbs asks Iger if he tried to shake Wells down. Iger says it was self-defense, Wells shot first. Iger says Mayne stole millions, he only asked for \$100,000.

Ducky returns to autopsy and Gibbs is lying on one of the tables. "When were you going to tell me Duck?" Gibbs asks. Ducky says he was going to have a service but all his mother's friends predeceased her. "When were you going to tell us?" Gibbs asks. Ducky tells him he didn't want to impose. He's surrounded by death, he wanted to deal with the personal loss by himself. Ducky tells Gibbs he sold the house, it closes the following week and he got rid of his mother's wretched dogs. Gibbs asks what he's going to do. Ducky says he put an offer in on a charming brownstone and he's been working with a charming real estate agent named Sophie. "She's quite a bit younger than myself," Ducky says. Gibbs hops off the table and walks over to Ducky and says, "So I take it Sophie is the one who doesn't like the bow ties?" "Well..." Ducky says with a knowing smile.

Jurisdiction

Season 7
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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Aaron Lustig (Dr. Victor Kalsa), Richard Tillman (Marine Sergeant Davis Carter), Brody Hutzler (Navy Lieutenant Michael Jensen), Hong Chau (FBI Lab Tech Molly Choi), Haran Jackson (Marine Private Fricker), Pamela Shaddock (Nurse), Larry Brandenburg (Hubble), Eddie Shin (CGIS Special Agent Kyle Omagi), Gabrielle Miller (Andrea Mavrey), Diane Neal (CGIS Special Agent Abigail Borin), Shanna Moakler (Missy Dawkins)
Production Code: 156
Summary: The NCIS team is forced to work with the CGIS agency to solve a murder of a Navy diver that was found dead after trying to find sunken treasure.



A group of Marines run through the beach. A Marine breaks rank and points out a dead body in the sand. The sergeant sees that it is the badly decomposed body of a Navy diver.

At the office, Tony frantically searches his desk for the van keys. Tony remembers that he went out for pizza and threw out the box. Tony figures the keys are in the dumpster.

After Gibbs says they have a dead Navy diver, he announces that he found the keys in the elevator.

Ducky and Jimmy arrive at the scene and examine the body. Jimmy says his girlfriend Bryn has become the union rep for the local embalmers. Ducky sees that a propeller cut the Lt.'s arm post mortem. He figures he died three to five days ago. McGee reports that the victim is a master diver named Michael Jensen based out in an experimental unit. Ducky finds a puncture wound on Jensen's wet suit. He figures that Jensen's diving partner stabbed him and left him to die.

Tony and Gibbs go to Jensen's house and notice that the door is open. Inside, they find a woman who orders Tony to drop the gun. After Gibbs arrives, another man points a gun at him. The other team announces they are investigators from the Coast Guard. The woman slaps her probie's, Kyle, head and orders him to put away his weapon.

At the office, Ziva is surprised to learn that the Coast Guard has an investigative branch. Tony asks McGee if Borin, the woman in charge, reminds him of anyone. Gibbs brings Borin into his office. Gibbs says since Jensen is a Navy officer the case is his. Borin says Jensen might be her killer. She explains they found a boat captain named Martin Lime bludgeoned to death. She explains she found video showing Jensen and Lime talking to each other at the marina. She explains that since the death was off shore, she has jurisdiction.

At the lab, Ducky says he is going to test the body's DNA to confirm it is Jensen. Ducky reports that the body shows signs that he drowned to death. Ducky says Abby is testing the diving equipment, but Abby is not herself today. Gibbs finds Abby shaking Jensen's laptop out of frustration. She tells Gibbs that Jensen's tanks were full and she can't hack into the laptop since it is password protected.

Tony looks over Abigail Borin's file and sees that she is not married. Ziva wonders if Tony is obsessed with Borin if she reminds him of Gibbs or if she is attractive. Tony discovers that Borin is behind him. She asks the team what they got on the case. McGee briefs Borin about Jensen. Ziva says Jensen rented a storage space in Alexandria. Borin asks them when they have access to the storage. Since he thinks that she is very similar to Gibbs, Tony asks Borin if she has any siblings and she says no.

Borin loads up a video of an outsourced technician named Choi. She tells the team she thinks that both Jensen and Lime were killed on the boat. Borin convinces Gibbs to join forces during the investigation.

Borin says Lime's boat seems like he was going out searching for something. Tony reports that they traced a large deposit made to Jensen's bank account. McGee states that Jensen made several calls to a woman named Missy Dawkins. Gibbs and Borin step on each other toes while ordering Tony and Ziva to check out Jensen's storage space.

McGee meets with Missy who says she dated Jensen on and off. She says after she was the runner up for Miss Biloxi, she got used to a rich life style. Missy says Jensen said he was going to come up with a lot of money soon.

At the storage complex, a man in a scooter shows Ziva and Tony Jensen's unit. They open it up and notice that it smells musty. Inside, they find ocean charts and articles about treasure hunting. Tony finds that the room is full of various items recovered from the sea.

Gibbs and Borin meet with Abby at the lab. She says she was finally able to decrypt Jensen's laptop and found a hidden folder containing emails between him and Joseph Mavrey who is a surgeon in D.C. She says they were talking about a sunken ship called Calafuego.

Gibbs and Borin arrives at Mavrey's house and meets with his wife. She tells the team that he is out of the country. They ask about Jensen and inform him that he is dead. Borin explains that Mavrey contacted Jensen multiple times. Gibbs tells the wife to contact them when she gets a hold of him. Borin tells Gibbs she thinks the wife is covering for her husband. Gibbs suggests they wait.

Tony fantasizes about pirates and their adventures. McGee tells Tony that the Calafuego could have easily had \$250 million worth of treasure on board when it sunk. McGee explains Mavrey had the cash to fund treasure hunting since he had multiple patents. McGee says there are several lawsuits against Mavrey. Vance reports that Mavrey never left town. McGee finds that Mavrey logged on to his own website to broadcast an operation.

Gibbs and Borin arrive at Mavrey's clinic and meet with another surgeon who is operating in his behalf. The doctor tells the team that they haven't heard from Mavrey in over a week.

Borin tells the team that Mavrey has his partner perform the online operations. After McGee reports that he thinks Mavrey's plane took him to the Marianas Islands, Borin orders Kyle to have a plane to intercept the plane.

Ducky calls Gibbs to the lab and admits that he broke up with Sophie the other night. He says Sophie tried to change him. Ducky tells Gibbs that he thinks that Jensen's teeth broke from a seizure. He says he also found a history of hemochromatosis that would have kicked him out of the diving program. In Abby's lab, she tells Gibbs that she discovered that the formula for her favorite soft drink was changed. She says it explains why she has been so agitated. Abby tells Gibbs that she is suspicious that Jensen was using deep diving nitrox even though he was in shallow water. McGee reports that the plane that flew to the Marianas was just a decoy since it was empty.

Tony meets with Mrs. Mavrey at her house. Tony asks her for help in finding her husband. She tells him she will do what ever she can to help. At the station, Tony tells Andrea Mavery that he knows that her husband is having some legal trouble. Andrea insists she doesn't know where he is. She shows Tony a text message saying that he will sort out he legal issues after he returns to the country. Tony tells her that they suspect him of killing two people. Borin tells Andrea that if she doesn't cooperate they will have to charge her with accessory to murder.

Ducky tells Gibbs that the doctor examined Jensen several times and found no indication of hemochromatosis. Gibbs figures the body they have doesn't belong to Jensen.

Gibbs orders McGee to pull up Mavrey's medical record. They see that he had seizures as a boy and blood disorder. Later, Borin tells Andrea that her husband has been there all along. She explains the dead body they recovered is actually Mavrey. Andrea says he sent her an email, but Borin says anyone could have sent it. Andrea tells them that Joe has been taking cash out of the corporate accounts and she suspects was using it for treasure hunts. She explains that her husband was desperate because of the lawsuits.

McGee tells Gibbs that he learned that Missy bought plane tickets for herself and Jensen. After the team brings in Missy for questioning, she says Jensen texted him to get packed for a trip. Missy says she figures that she was being used. Gibbs explains she was probably a decoy. Missy says Jensen talked about a rich doctor and his wife.

Abby calls Gibbs to the lab and tells him she was able to recreate the original soft drink. Abby says that Jensen's treasure in the storage locker was gold plated. They figure that Jensen was scamming Mavrey. They figure that Jensen and Andrea were working together.

At the house, Jensen and Andrea search the house to look for the money that Mavrey hid. Gibbs, Tony and Borin arrive and tell them they know they were working together. Tony says they found the money in Mavrey's work locker. They arrest the couple for the murder of Mavrey and Lime.

At the office, Gibbs and Vance thank Borin for her work. Gibbs and Borin shake hands then depart. Tony sets up a pirate movie for Ziva to watch.

Guilty Pleasure

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Season Episode: 19

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Guest Stars: Dina Meyer (Holly Snow), Adam Kaufman (Homicide Detective Philip McCadden), Jason London (Dwight Kasdan), Taylor Cole (Charlotte Cook), Jillian Bach (Emily Moss), Bruce Nozick (Harvey Grossman), Hayley Chase (Kimberly), Cliff Weissman (Nicolas Everett), Kallee Brookes (Gwen), Chris Sheffield (Vince)
Production Code: 157
Summary: The death of a Navy officer leads Gibbs and the team into the world of high-priced call girls, relying on D.C. Madam Holly Snow to help them catch a killer.



A man stumbles out of the bushes and into a street. A car full of distracted teenagers barrel down the street. The driver doesn't see him til she's on top of him. He bounces off the hood and falls into the street. They see he's been stabbed repeatedly in the back.

Tony comes in to work, peeved at McGee for standing him up. He wanted McGee to introduce him to a fellow nerd

at the Air and Space Museum the night before. McGee says their plans are for the next night. Tony is further peeved at McGee for picking the sprinkles off his donut and blowing repeatedly on his coffee. McGee cancels any future plans. Ziva thinks they're like a married couple, experiencing a seven year itch.

And then it's time for Gibbs to announce the body of the week: a dead sailor in Norfolk.

He's Justin Moss, who worked for the office of public affairs.

On the scene, Duckie says the victim was stabbed with a big knife. A blood trail indicates he was walking toward his house.

The street isn't the crime scene. Gibbs sends Tony and McGee to look for it.

They wander up to another crime scene, where DC police have marked the blood trail. Detective Phil McCadden meets them outside a hotel, offering "quid pro quo, Clarice." DiNozzo appreciates the Silence of the Lambs reference.

Inside, there's blood all over the walls. (Kill Bill reference follows.) There's a wine bottle and a couple glasses. Tires squeal outside and a woman runs up. She's looking for her husband, Justin. She was supposed to pick him up, he was meeting someone there. She knows who: a prostitute.

Back at NCIS, she explains her husband was a reporter for the Navy Herald, working on a story about high priced call girls in Norfolk.

McGee finds that Moss withdrew \$1,000 right before his meeting, and two other times that month, times that correspond to him meeting with a source at a bar.

Ziva and McGee visit the Herald and talk to his editor. The \$1,000 payments give him pause.

In the lab, Abby shows Gibbs motel security footage that shows a woman arriving and leaving an hour later. It's too far away to tell who it is. The security footage at the bar shows he's meeting with Charlotte Cook, a woman who's been busted for prostitution but had a good lawyer who sprung her quickly, before DNA was taken. Abby's excited to tell Gibbs that Charlotte used to work for Holly Snow, the former DC madam now serving community service.

DiNozzo and McCadden discuss the best movie set in San Francisco (Vertigo), and make plans for a movie man-date. Duckie shows them there are three previous similar homicides, they have a "multiple offender." DiNozzo and his new BFF high five.

Duckie tells Gibbs that Moss didn't have sex before he was killed, he was faithful to his wife.

McGee calls to say Charlotte Cook is off the grid.

Holly gives a sexual harassment seminar and Gibbs drops by. She knows him from when he busted her.

She doesn't think Charlotte would have anything to do with murder, but agrees to help Gibbs in exchange for... something she whispers in his ear. He calls it a deal breaker.

But she tells him to put her back in business, Charlotte will find her.

Vance doesn't immediately love Gibbs' plan to put Holly back in action to bust Charlotte for solicitation. That'd let them test for DNA and match it to the hairs found in the hotel.

Abby comes upstairs to stare at Holly. Ziva and McGee are taking calls for Holly, waiting for Charlotte to call. She does. Holly gives her the date info, telling her to ask for "Eddie" at the Adam's hotel.

At the hotel, McGee preps the hotel room with bugs. Tony comes out wearing a smoking jacket. Holly sets him straight, telling him to look like he's done this before and not focus on impressing her. She tells him to ask for something off the menu. Charlotte will call Holly, not be able to reach her, then deal.

Charlotte arrives. She rips open her coat revealing a sexy dress. She slaps Tony, telling him he's been a bad boy. Holly tells him to change the menu and ask for "the spicy Canton." He hands her an envelope and excuses himself to the bathroom. Charlotte reaches Holly's voice mail.

Watching the video feed, they see her take the money and put it in her purse. They arrest her.

Tony excuses himself to take a cold shower.

Back at NCIS, Charlotte's lawyer tries to say it was entrapment. Gibbs lays out the pictures of the victims. She says three of them were clients, but not the reporter. She just talked to him and thought he was nice. She wants to talk, denying she killed anyone, but her lawyer Dwight asks to talk to her in private.

Gibbs brings Holly coffee. She tells him Charlotte's not the killer. She tells him how she got into the business: she was an art history major at Wellesley when someone approached her and she learned how much she could make.

Gibbs gets a call from DiNozzo telling him there's another victim, killed while Charlotte was in their custody.

DiNozzo and McCadden drop by the crime scene, where Gibbs calls them T-Cad, like the cute new couple they are.

The victim has multiple stab wounds, they think the killer would have to be male to subdue him. He's another one of Charlotte's clients. Tony and Phil head for a bite to eat.

Back at NCIS, Charlotte and her lawyer Dwight meet with Gibbs and Holly. Holly tells Charlotte that someone is following her. She wants the name of a john who might have been rough. Dwight tries to shut her up, but Holly shuts him down.

She tells him to look for Nicholas, a 50ish man who works for the State Department, gets jealous and plays rough. Outside, Holly tells Gibbs she knows Nicolas, but he won't believe how. They watch footage from one of Holly's speeches. She remembers a clingy audience member.

Gibbs takes Holly home.

Down in the lab, Abby reassures McGee that Tony's bromance will be over soon. He pretends not to care. Gibbs comes down and she reports she found the killer's blood in the latest victim's stab wound. McGee reports that the suspect Nicolas Everett bought a hunting knife a few months ago. Abby says it matches the victim's wounds.

The killer's blood got into the victim when he cut himself with his own knife as he was stabbing; the killer will have a slice on the heel or palm of his hand.

Tony tells Gibbs that Nicolas was arrested for domestic abuse and has many complaints against him.

Walking to grab him, McCadden rubs Tony the wrong way by calling McGee a geek. They run into Nicolas coming out and grab him but see that there isn't a mark on his hands. He didn't do it.

At the office, they find Everett's alibi checks out and his knife is clean. McGee says Holly is the only other connection between the victims. They track her ankle bracelet. Tony runs McCadden off, saying they can handle it.

Gibbs and Vance head into MTAC. They lose the GPS signal. McGee gets Holly's text messages, including one from Charlotte asking for help. But Charlotte has been admitted to a hospital under a domestic violence protocol.

Gibbs visits her and finds her face is bashed in and hugely swollen. She says it was her boyfriend. Her lawyer, Dwight. She says Dwight took her phone.

McGee tracks it from MTAC and tracks him to a foreclosed office complex. Tony stays with Charlotte while Gibbs heads out.

In an empty office, Dwight tells Holly that if Charlotte won't stop seeing other men, he's going to make sure she can't see them. He's got the knife in his hand and is standing behind her ready to pounce when Gibbs busts in shooting. Dwight goes down and Gibbs frees Holly. Dead Dwight has a deep slice on his hand.

Back at the office, Tony takes a call from McCadden, telling him there won't be a next time. Tony makes peace with McGee, calling him annoying. And Tony's juvenile. Things are back to normal.

Gibbs and Holly share a quiet dinner of steak and beer. She thanks him for delivering on her "deal breaker," a quiet dinner with a friend. "We're friends?" Gibbs asks.

Her phone rings. She asks someone what time and says she'll see what she can do. She gets off the phone and says she can explain. She says she has to go. They settle on being friends and she gives him a kiss on the head as she leaves.

Moonlighting

Season 7

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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer), Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell)
Guest Stars: Isabella Hofmann (Judge Evelyn Wallace), Jackie Geary (NCIS Agent Susan Grady), Mark Allen Stewart (Stefano Delman), Daniel Sauli (Gus Templeton), Steve Talley (Bill), John Wynn (Ted), Andra Fuller (Navy Petty Officer Scott Roebuck)
Production Code: 158
Summary: When a murder occurs during an NCIS polygraph specialist's night job, the NCIS team has to find out what really happened.



A seaman out for a jog hears cries for help and goes to investigate. He's greeted by a shot to the chest.

At the office, McGee brags about his video game skills and Tony is quickly distracted by Jimmy Palmer showing photos of his girlfriend to Ziva.

Gibbs comes in to announce the body of the week: a dead petty officer on the pier.

Gibbs and Ziva try to interview two stoner dudes, who manage to report there were two shots and two dudes in a black Lincoln. The victim is Scott Roebuck. He was found in the water.

But wait, there's more! A man is strung up by chains under the dock. He's dead and was beaten to a pulp. His finger print pulls up an FBI red flag and no ID. But they recognize him as mobster Stefano Delmar. The petty officer stumbled onto a hit.

Gibbs rides the elevator with FBI agent Tobias Fornell (Joe Spano). He tells Gibbs that Delmar turned state's evidence and was helping them. And he's not the only dead witness.

In the morgue, Duckie tells them Roebuck's cause of death was drowning, he went in alive. Fornell says the other two witnesses were never found.

Duckie says that it looks like Delmar had tetanus, punctures in his feet. He was in FBI custody the past few weeks, which means the FBI has a leak.

Upstairs, the team reviews the hotels and agents on the witnesses. They find all the cases involved polygraphs done by Cooper's Hawk security.

As Fornell is talking about the benefits of polygraphs, Gibbs interrupts. The punctures in Del Mar's foot were from a tack - a common trick used to beat the machines; the pain caused by stepping on one makes accurate reads difficult.

Fornell and Gibbs go to a judge for a warrant on their clients. Judge Evelyn won't give them what they want, but offers to release Delmar's full testimony, which might have names they can follow.

At the office, McGee reports he's gotten into Cooper's computer. They find Susan Grady, who is also an NCIS polygraph examiner who was semi-stalking McGee.

Fornell and Gibbs meet with Susan, who is defensive and nervous, but mostly because Gibbs freaks her out, outside Cooper's office. As she's reassuring them that her part time job with Cooper's is above board, the Cooper's office behind them explodes into smithereens.

Back at NCIS, Abby directs a platoon of forensic examiners sifting through the evidence. Gibbs sends McGee to talk to Susan, despite his protests that she practically sexually harassed him. She bursts into tears when she sees him and bear hugs him.

Gibbs and Fornell watch the video feed of McGee talking to Susan. She apologizes to him for making him retake his test to see if he had a girlfriend. She liked working at Cooper's because unlike at NCIS, no one treated her like a lie detecting leper.

She doesn't recognize a picture of Delmar and says the internet was down for a while that morning until the techs came.

As McGee is trying to extricate himself, she looks at him moonily and suggests fate brought them together.

Vance thinks the fact Susan is the only one at Cooper's who made it out alive means that she's either very lucky, or involved.

Duckie and Palmer go over the charred bodies and Abby comes for a new batch to ID. Duckie tells Tony there were 10 victims. But there should have been 11 in the building when it blew up.

Abby is suspicious of Susan, which she swears has nothing to do with her own history with McGee.

She retreats her to lab to find McGee inflating an air mattress for Susan. He suggests Susan can stay at his place if it's a problem, but Abby decides the lab is fine.

Susan tells McGee that not all of Cooper's records were destroyed - she took some of the polygraph results home to study. But they can access them remotely.

They log on and see someone is accessing the files. They turn her web cam on and see someone in a hooded sweatshirt is on her computer in her place. Before they can lock the computer, the person grabs it. Later, Ziva and Tony return from Susan's place saying they found nothing. McGee's working on the client list.

Abby IDs the missing employee: the janitor, Gus Templeton.

When McGee sees Susan waiting eagerly for him, he asks to go out with Tony to the janitor. Tony advises McGee give Susan a shot. He suspects she has a really nice butt under those blouses.

Gus Templeton answers the door for Tony and McGee holding a bucket and looking green around the gills. He's had food poisoning for two days, but he knows someone set a fire, even though it was reported as an accident.

They bring him in. Susan is impressed with Gibbs' gut lie detector and says she can't tell at all without her machines.

Gibbs shows Gus photos of the victims and mentions the \$40,000 new fishing boat Gus just bought. Gus gets scared and says someone will kill him. He had gambling debts, but some guys offered to wipe the debts out in exchange for his access card. They were going to pose as computer techs.

They find prints for Peter and Arnold Rafferty in Gus' place. Susan recognizes them as the computer techs. Apparently they were mentioned a lot in Delmar's testimony.

Then it's Abby time. She says the brothers' DNA was on both Delmar and the petty officer and in the Cooper's office. They were incinerated in blast, turned to ash, so that's why they weren't among the bodies.

Based on the fire marshal's report, the blast was very small, designed only to destroy the server. But it hit a gas main. Since Delmar's testimony against them was already on the record, Gibbs wonders what the Raffertys were trying to hide.

They find the server that was downloaded held Cooper's polygraph files. Susan says it has the results, including the questions, which are standard - the same ones they ask at NCIS. Someone volunteers that Gibbs has never taken a polygraph.

They have their guinea pig. Fornell and Vance gather 'round to watch. The questions touch on espionage and theft and Gibbs is answering "no" until "have you ever committed a felony?" He flashes back to killing the man who killed his wife and child and doesn't answer. He rips off the sensors.

At both NCIS and FBI, you lose your clearance and likely your job if you fail. Cooper's was pushing for the test to be used in more areas.

Abby has a list of the past year's clients, including senate confirmation appointees. Fornell and Gibbs recognize a name.

They go back to Judge Eveyln and show her her name on the Cooper's list. She says she went to them as a "dry run" before her confirmation hearings. They ask her to take another test.

Back at NCIS, Gibbs questions her about past cases, including one where a witness went missing. She says she doesn't know what happened to them and lying alarms go off. Gibbs and Fornell throw questions at her, asking if it bothered her to see bad guys go free even if they ratted out worse guys. She rips the sensors off and stands up to leave.

They think the Rafferty brothers did her dirty work and the explosion goof wiped out any evidence of her connection. But then there was the break-in to Susan's, which they say was the first crime she committed herself. Gibbs asks her if she really thinks she's such a good criminal that she didn't leave a trace.

Later, Susan tries to figure out if Gibbs was bluffing about the hair. Tony and Ziva tell her not to bother figuring out the ways of the Gibbs.

McGee asks Susan to dinner, but she tries to read him and decides he's just asking to be polite. So she turns him down and leaves him thoroughly confused.

Obsession

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Guest Stars: Ashley Scott (Dana Hutton), Marco Sanchez (Alejandro Rivera), Randy Evans (Ambulance Driver), Jonathan Kerrigan (Rex Carhartt), Bob McCracken (Joshua Drewe), Kerrie Keane (Maggie Reed), Bobby Hosea (Navy Captain Austin Sears)
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Summary: DiNozzo becomes obsessed with finding a woman whose brother has been murdered, while the team searches for the man's killer.



An ambulance pulls up to the emergency room at the hospital. As the paramedics, doctor and a nurse are removing a heart attack victim from the back of the ambulance, an out of control car comes toward them. The doctor and nurse rush the patient out of harms way and the two paramedics dodge the oncoming car. The car crashes into a vehicle parked beside the ambulance so the two paramedics go

up to check on the driver. They discover a naval officer, dead behind the wheel.

Inside the squadroom, Ziva arrives at her desk for the day. McGee peeks his head over his computer monitor and asks her if she remembers Brenda Bittner. He tells her that she befriended Brenda and she's a Barista at Gibbs' coffee shop. McGee is reading her profile online and she posted that she is in a committed relationship with Tony DiNozzo. "Our Tony DiNozzo?" Ziva asks. McGee says it sure looks like him and has Ziva pull up Brenda's home page. As Tony walks in, Ziva asks how long it's been going on. "How long has what been going on?" Tony asks as he sits at his desk. Ziva wants to know when he was going to tell them. Dumbfounded, Tony asks what she's talking about. "That you are on a committed relationship," Ziva says. Tony laughs and says, "With who?" "The ever lovely Brenda Bittner," McGee says. Tony's face drops as he looks at Ziva, who is smirking, then he asks McGee where he heard that. "She posted it, around 7:14am this morning," McGee says. Checking his watch, Tony says he left her place around 7. Ziva asks how long they have been dating. "We're not dating," Tony laughs, "last night was it." McGee says it must've been one helluva night because she cannot wait to tell all of her friends. "How many friends could she possibly have?" Tony asks. "2,412, she is very popular," Ziva replies. Tony pulls up Brenda's profile page and pulls up the photo of the two of them together. "Oh no. Can she post this without my permission?" Tony asks McGee while pointing at his screen. McGee says it depends on his privacy settings. "Well obviously I haven't got them set right. Will you get over here McGeek and make this go away please?" Tony begs. "Tony, you know, you're getting way to

old for these one-night stands. Your biological clock is ticking," Ziva tells Tony. "Men don't have biological clocks. When I meet Miss Right, I'll be ready to settle down," Tony says as Gibbs walks up behind him. "Don't ever settle DiNozzo. Dead Lieutenant, Monroe University Hospital, let's go," Gibbs says. "Was he sick long?" McGee asks while grabbing his gun and badge. "Nope, never got admitted," Gibbs replies as he heads out.

At the crime scene, McGee gives Gibbs the information on the victim. The victim's name is Lieutenant Jeffrey Wilton Hutton. His parents are deceased and his next of kin is his sister. McGee is going to try and track down the sister. "So what exactly are you looking for in Miss Right?" Ziva asks Tony as she photographs him. Tony laughs and says, "Well aside from the obvious physical requirements, I don't know, I guess she'd be a, very independent woman, intelligent, successful, professional." Ziva turns to Tony and says she just has one question, "What would this woman possibly see in you?" she asks. Tony looks at Ziva for a minute then walks away.

Ducky walks up to Gibbs and tells him the car crash was not the cause of death. "What was?" Gibbs asks. "I haven't the faintest idea. I mean there were no contusions, no obvious signs of trauma. The poor Lieutenant, I doubt he was here to visit someone but he must have had an egregious ailment. He was in a helluva hurry to get himself to the hospital," Ducky says. "I figured that out myself Duck," Gibbs says, turns and walks towards McGee. McGee tells Gibbs that Lt. Hutton's sister's name is Dana Hutton. The name piques Tony's curiosity and before McGee can finish, Tony tells Gibbs Dana Hutton is a ZNN reporter. Gibbs calls Ziva over. McGee says he just off the phone with Dana's producer who claims Dana is working at home today. Clearly intrigued with the ZNN Reporter, Tony tells Gibbs he'd really like to interview her. "Sure, take Ziva," Gibbs says and walks away.

Tony and Ziva pull up outside Dana Hutton's home. Tony goes on about the pieces of news that Dana reported on. Ziva asks what she looks like. Tony gushes about how cute she is and how she looks better in a helmet. His phone rings as Ziva reminds him her brother just died and knocks on Dana's door. Tony looks at his cell phone and sees it's Brenda Bittner calling. "Guess she's seen I changed my dating status," Tony says. "Tony you cannot avoid her forever," Ziva says in frustration. Ziva knocks on the door a second time as Tony walks towards the window. Just as Ziva says she's not home, Tony looks in the french doors and sees the living room has been ransacked. "Looks like we got probably cause," Tony says as they draw their weapons and enter Dana's home. They search the main foyer, then head up to the second floor. As Ziva heads up one more flight of stairs, calling out for Dana, Tony walks over to the piano and picks up a photograph of Dana. Ziva comes down and says "It looks like she's not here." "Well, where is she," Tony asks while staring at the photo.

In the squadroom, Ziva and Tony tells Gibbs about Dana Huttons' home being ransacked. Ziva tells Gibbs that Metro is going over Dana's home and coordinate their investigation with NCIS and she's already put out a BOLO on Dana. "Dana Hutton, she'd be easy to spot, she's pretty well known," Tony says. "Do we assume her disappearance is related to her brother's death," Ziva asks. "We don't assume anything," Gibbs replies. Tony goes over the Huttons background. Jeffrey and Dana Hutton were military brats. Their father was a Marine combat helicopter pilot who died at the age of 42 in a training exercise. They were raised by their mother who died five years ago of pancreatic cancer, Ziva adds. Both Dana and Jeffrey were overachievers. Jeffrey played water polo and LaCrosse at the academy, did a tour at the Pacific, spent a year at the Pentagon before he was transferred to Navy Information Operations Command. "NIOC, secret stuff. Wonder what he was working on," Tony says. Looking at his watch, Gibbs says he'll know in three minutes because he's talking to Hutton's CO in MTAC. Gibbs sits down at his desk and Tony pulls up some photos of Dana on the big screen. "Dana, impressive woman. Won a piano competition when she was 13 year old. Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Georgetown before joining ZNN at the age of 22," Tony says. Ziva watches Tony as he talks about Dana. McGee walks in and tells Gibbs he found nothing at Jeffrey Hutton's residence and dropped off Hutton's laptop with Abby. Gibbs gets a phone call and says he's on his way. He stands up and says, "Let's go McGee." As they leave the squadroom, Tony remains staring at Dana Huttons' photo on the big screen.

Down in autopsy, Jimmy Palmer is sewing up Lt. Jeffrey Hutton's corpse. "Multiple organ failure but no apparent reason," Ducky says. "You seem perplexed Dr. Mallard," Palmer says. Ducky says he is, he was reviewing Lt. Hutton's physical, which was done only 1 week prior to

his death, and Hutton was in perfect health. Palmer grabs a few sample jars of blood and tissue and is going to take them up to Abby. He wants to know of Ducky wants her to look for anything specific. Ducky says he has nothing specific to tell her, or Gibbs, when he comes calling, as he undoubtedly will.

In MTAC, Gibbs and McGee are chatting with Hutton's CO, Captain Austin Sears. Sears wants to know if Hutton's death was an accident. "I don't know, what can you tell me about him," Gibbs asks. Sears tells him Hutton was a good officer, hard working, smart, maybe to smart. Sears describes Hutton as a politician, he knew how to work the system and had a master plan, his career wasn't going to end in NIOC. "What was he working on?" Gibbs asks. "Classified project," Sears replies. Gibbs smirks and says, "We've got clearance." Sears says he can't let him know about the program unless he hears from SecNav himself. "I'll make the call," Gibbs says. "I suggest you have your Director do it," Sears says then makes the sign to end the call. "Gee what a sweet guy," McGee says. Gibbs asks if DiNozzo has a buddy at NIOC.

Tony and Ziva head over to the television station to talk to one of Dana Hutton's boss, Rex Carhartt. Once Rex learns of Dana's brother's death, he tells them an old mentor of Dana's was killed in an accident two weeks ago. Ziva asks if it was unusual for Dana to not come in. He tells them it is and she's been distracted lately as she's the executor of her friend's estate and had to get involved in the sale of the business - an old book store on Dupont Circle. Tony asks if Dana shouldn't be checking in with Rex because he's Dana's boss. "I'm not her boss, I'm her Segment Producer. She's the star, gets to choose her own assignments," Rex replies. With a smirk aimed at Tony, Ziva asks what Dana was working on right then. Dana was working on a story on private military companies but had started researching the old Soviet KGB. Rex told Dana it was yesterday's news. "But you couldn't talk her out of it," Tony says as he walks towards the stage where Dana films her show, then sits down in Dana's chair. Rex says when Dana's passionate about something, she could lose objectivity. Ziva asks Rex about Dana's personal life, but he says he wouldn't know, they were all about work. Tony inquires if Dana had a boyfriend and Rex says he doesn't know. With a flirtatious smile, and getting one in return, Ziva hands Rex her business card and tells him to call if Dana shows up or he hears from her. Tony gets up and tells Rex they'll find their own way out.

In Vance's office, he is sitting at his desk with Gibbs standing by the side of his desk. Across from Vance sits Alejandro Rivera, who is with the Justice Department in Mexico. Alejandro is in town to help set up an international law enforcement task force. "I'm sure you know our country is in the middle of a horrible drug war. We are desperate for help. It is imperative that our countries share techniques and intelligence," Alejandro tells Gibbs. "I'll do what I can do," Gibbs responds. Vance's phone rings, he answers it and tells the caller to send her in. To Gibbs' surprise, in walks M. Allison Hart. Allison greets Gibbs with a huge smile and a hello, but he just looks away. Vance informs Gibbs that the State Department has appointed Ms. Hart as Alejandro's legal counsel. With a chuckle, Gibbs says, "Of course they did." Alejandro says he met Allison in Mexico City and they worked well together. Allison says Alejandro was helpful to her in securing Colonel Bell's release from prison. "Maybe we shouldn't be cooperating Leon," Gibbs says. Allison and Vance smirk while Alejandro looks puzzled. Allison tells Alejandro, "Mr. Gibbs has a strange sense of humor." Gibbs notices a "Temp" NCIS badge clipped to Allison's dress. She tells him that she's going to be spending a lot of time on the project so Vance has kindly given her temporary employee status. Vance just grins but Gibbs does not look amused.

The elevator bell dings, as Palmer exits and then enters Abby's lab. "Abby, how are we doing on Lt. Hutton's tox screen?" he asks. "We? Get in line Palmer.," Abby says then tells him she's ruled out all common viruses, biological, agent, and drugs. She tells him to "go, scram, leave me alone" then vents how McGee is bugging her for the contents of Hutton's laptop. Poor Palmer looks confused as she tells him the laptop is a terabyte and asks if he knows how big that is. The elevator bell goes off again and Palmer is saved from responding when Tony walks in. "She's in a foul mood, again," Palmer tells Tony. "Palmer, I have guns in my ballistics lab and I know how to use them," Abby says. Looking at Palmer, Tony walks up and gives Abby a hug. Palmer looks confused, then Tony steps back and asks Abby about the finger prints lifted from Dana Hutton's condo. Calmly, but frustrated, Abby says she has gotten them but hasn't had a chance to look at them, she will call Tony when she has answers. Tony looks at Palmer, who smiles at the change in Abby's attitude. Suddenly Abby flings her hands in the air and demands both of them get out. When the duo reach the elevator, Palmer congratulate Tony and they do a round-about high

five. "For what?" Tony asks. Palmer tells Tony for hooking up with Brenda Bittner, then wants to double date with Tony and his 'girlfriend.' as the elevator doors open, Tony steps in and smiling, Palmer asks Tony if they have plans for Saturday night.

Gibbs and Allison Hart come downstairs from Vance's office. Ziva sees them together and whispers for McGee to look. Allison tells Gibbs, "I'll see you tomorrow Mr. Gibbs. This is going to be fun, at least for me." Gibbs looks at Ziva and McGee then asks if they have anything. McGee had been running a check on Dana Hutton's credit cards but so far there has been no activity. Gibbs wants to know if Tony has made contact with his buddy from NIOC yet. Gibbs asks where Tony is and Ziva says, "I have no idea."

Upstairs in the conference room, Tony is watching footage of Dana Hutton interviewing author, Joshua Drewe, on the laptop. He then flips over to some more footage of her in Afghanistan.

Tony walks into the squadroom and Gibbs wants to know if Tony has spoken with his friend at NIOC. Tony says they've been playing phone tag. Gibbs just stares at Tony. Ziva tells Gibbs that ZNN is going to break the story on Dana Hutton's disappearance. "I'm surprised they held it this long," Gibbs says. Tony walks over to McGee, squats down by his desk and asks McGee to give him a number. "What number?" McGee asks. "Dana Hutton," Tony replies. "Give me the number please," McGee says. "I've been monitoring her cell phone Tony and it's not on," McGee tells him. "Give me the number or I'll Gibbs slap you," Tony threatens McGee. McGee gives in, writes the number down and hands it to Tony. Tony gets up and tells Gibbs that there is a bookstore Dana used to hang out at when she was a kid. "How do you know that?" Ziva demands to know. "It's called research, David" Tony replies. The owner of the bookstore was a friend of Dana's who died in a car accident and Dana is the executor of the estate, trying to sell the store. Tony thinks he should go and check it out. "Friend, killed accidentally. Brother, healthy, dies of unknown causes. She disappears. I think we're setting a record for coincidences," Gibbs replies, then gives Tony the thumb indicate he's to go ahead. Gibbs wants Ziva to get the details on the car accident.

Ducky heads into autopsy in the morning and turns the lights on. Palmer has Lt. Hutton face down on the examination table. "May I inquire as to what the Lieutenant is doing back on the table Mr. Palmer?" Ducky asks. Palmer stumbles over his words for an excuse, then finally asks if Ducky is upset. "Don't be silly, I admire your initiative," Ducky says. Palmer smiles from ear to ear. Removing his hat and coat, Ducky asks if Palmer found something. Palmer found a 1 inch mark on the Lieutenant's left shoulder in the x-ray films. He noticed a corresponding mark on the exterior of the skin so Ducky wants to find out what it is. Palmer tells Ducky he has prepared all the instruments for him. "No no, this is all yours Mr. Palmer," Ducky says while putting on his exam gloves. "Allow me to assist," Ducky adds while handing Palmer the scalpel. After making a small incision where the mark on the shoulder is, Palmer looks up to ask for the tweezers, just as Ducky hands them to him. Using the tweezers, Palmer reaches into the incision and pulls out a small round, silver ball. "What on earth is that?" Ducky asks.

Looking at the ball on her computer screen, Abby says, "It looks like a teeny tiny bowling ball." Abby doesn't know what it is and Palmer tells her he and Dr. Mallard are baffled to. "Okay, well, I will add this to my to-do list," Abby says dismissing Palmer. He just stands there and smiles until Abby hits the remote, blaring her music across the lab. Palmer grabs his ears then heads out the door just as the elevator bell rings, the doors open and Allison and Alejandro get off the elevator. Allison calls Abby's name a few times, then yells it when she realizes Abby can't hear over the music. Abby turns the music down, then grits her teeth and says, "Oh, Miss Hart." Allison begins to introduce Alejandro but Abby already knows who he is because she read it on the inter-office email. Alejandro tells Abby he's been looking forward to meeting her, she is a legend in forensic science. Abby is pleased and a little embarrassed. Allison was wondering if Abby could give Alejandro a quick tour of her lab. Abby tells him she would love to but she's just way to busy. "Mr. Rivera is on a very tight schedule, he's only going to be in Washington for one more day," Allison says sweetly. Abby glares at Allison and says, "Well maybe next time." Before an argument begins, Alejandro says he Abby is clearly busy and he appreciates her work ethic and wishes he had someone like her on his team. Abby shakes his hand, thanks him and does a little curtsy. She then glares at Allison who just smirks in return. As they leave her lab, Abby turns the volume of the music back up loud.

Tony walks up outside the bookstore and listens to a young man playing his saxophone for music in front of the store. He compliments the man's music, then tosses money into the case.

Maggie Reed, the Realtor selling the store, walks up and introduces herself to Tony. Walking inside, Maggie disables the alarm and says, "I hope your not insulted but you don't look like somebody who would be interested in buying a used book store." Tony tells her he's not, he's NCIS while he flashes his badge. She realizes he is there about Dana and tells him he heard about Dana's disappearance and her brother's death on the television that morning. Maggie wonders what is going on. She says she tried to call Dana a few times the day before. "How well do you know them?" Tony asks. Maggie says she didn't know Jeffrey but she was a patron of the book store and had seen Dana in the store over the years. The owner, Charley Basum, was like a father to Dana and she took his death very hard, Maggie tells Tony. Tony points to some photos of a man behind the counter and asks if that's Charlie. Maggie confirms it is. "I understand Dana is handling his estate," Tony says. Maggie says Dana approached her the previous week at Charlie's funeral and asked if she would help with the sale of Charlie's business. Charlie's will instructs that the proceeds from the sale go to a charity promoting literacy for children. "Is this place worth much?" Tony asks. Maggie tells him if he were a potential buyer she'd say yes, but to be honest, there's less than a year left on the lease and everyone's getting electronic readers, books are a dying business. Tony walks into the back room, points to the couch and says, "Dana used to curl up on this couch." "You know her?" Maggie asks. Tony evades the question and heads into the back room to check out the office. He discovers the safe is wide open. He asks Maggie if the safe is always open. Maggie has no idea and doesn't believe Charlie had much in value to lock up.

In MTAC, McGee and Gibbs hook up with Captain Sears again. "Captain, you hear from SecNav?" Gibbs asks. "Yes," Sears adds reluctantly. "So, what was Lt. Hutton working on?" Gibbs asks. Hutton was working on a report for a very select group of people, the Joint Chiefs. "About?????" Gibbs asks. "Private military companies. They got a lot of negative reaction to the Military's contracting out operations. The Lt. was putting it on paper that the Military cease and desist any such arrangements," Sears says. "I'll send you a report by courier," Sears says. "I appreciate it," Gibbs replies. "Now, what can you tell me about Lt. Hutton's death?" Sears asks. McGee whispers in Gibbs ear that they have to go. Sears does not look pleased when Gibbs says, "Got ta go Captain," signs to cut the transmission. McGee points out that Dana Hutton was working on a report on private military companies. "Add it to the list of coincidences," Gibbs says.

Gibbs walks into Abby's lab and she informs him that Lt. Hutton was murdered. "How?" Gibbs asks. They show Gibbs the small silver ball that was embedded in the Lieutenant's shoulder. "What is it?" Gibbs asks while putting on his glasses. "It's a spherical metal pellet," Ducky replies. Abby grabs Gibbs arm to bring him to the big screen and tells him it's 1.5 in in diameter and 2 holes were drilled into the ball. The ball was filled with Ricin, the deadliest toxin known to man. This is an old KGB weapon, Ducky tells Gibbs.

In Vance's office, Gibbs updates him on the cause of Lt. Hutton's death. "KGB? It's been SVR since '91," Vance says. "Well someone's been out there using one of their old tricks," Gibbs replies. Ducky rehashes the infamous umbrella murder of 1978 where Bulgarian dissident Georgi Markov was killed by a poison dart filled with ricin and injected into his system from an umbrella. "How long does it take ricin to kill Duck?" Gibbs asks. Ducky says three or four days, but Hutton wouldn't have known what was wrong with him and even if he'd made it to the hospital they could not have helped him. "There is no antidote," Ducky tells Gibbs and Vance. "Thank you Dr. Mallard," Vance says and dismisses Ducky. After Ducky leaves, Vance sits down and says to Gibbs, "Yesterday morning we were talking a simple car accident, now we're talking KGB assassination." He asks Gibbs if he has been able to connect Lt. Hutton's murder with the disappearance of his sister. Gibbs says, "Maybe. Se was preparing a piece on private military companies. Her brother was preparing a paper recommending to the Joint Chiefs our government cut off contracts with them." "I'll make some calls," Vance replies.

Gibbs is working in his basement when Allison walks downstairs. "It's one o'clock in the morning, what are you doing down here?" she asks Gibbs. "That's none of your business," Gibbs replies. "I thought you were going to start locking your front door," she says as she walks towards Gibbs. "Well if I did that I'd have no social life. What are you doing here M. Allison Hart?" Gibbs asks. "You didn't seem happy with my new status at NCIS," she replies. "Aw, and I thought I covered that so well," Gibbs sarcastically replies. She sits down on the sawhorse and asks him, "Are we, going to have a problem?" Gibbs finally looks at her and says, "It came from the top, I take orders." She smiles, looks at him and says, "Since when?" "You know what, I need to finish

this. You never know when I may need to saw a lady in half," Gibbs says. "I heard you were looking for Dana Hutton," she tells him. "Is that why your here?" he asks. "No," she responds. Gibbs says Allison knew Dana was investigating private military companies like the one owned by her biggest client, Colonel Bell. "Don't go there Mr. Gibbs," she says. "He's the one who pays for your \$500 shoes," Gibbs tells her. Allison replies, "I take offense, they cost \$1200. I ask because Dana is a friend." Gibbs looks at her and asks, "How close?" Close, is all she'll say. When asked, she tells Gibbs the last time she saw Dana was a week ago. Dana wanted to talk because she'd just broken up with her Producer boyfriend. "And if you want any more out of me, your going to have to ply me with liquor," Allison says.

Tony heads into the ZNN television station and confronts Rex, poking him in the chest, sending him staggering back a few steps. Rex asks him why and Tony responds, "Because there are consequences for misleading federal agents." "What are you talking about?" Rex asks. "Why didn't you tell me you were involved with Dana?" Tony asks back. "I really didn't think it was relevant or any of your business," Rex says. Tony replies, "I'll determine what's relevant. How serious is it?" Rex felt it wasn't that serious because Dana is a Pro, she knows how to work it and use it like the best of them. Grinning, Tony asks, "She use you?" "Yeah, I let her, and enjoyed it. You know she was even more telling off screen..." Rex responds but doesn't get to finish as angrily, Tony grabs Rex by the jacket collar. "What the hell is the matter with you?" Rex asks. Tony just glares at him, lets go of Rex's jacket, then leaves.

Back at NCIS, McGee exits the elevator and Allison Hart is standing there talking on the phone. McGee continues into Abby's lab and watches Alejandro and Abby flirting. Alejandro offers to be Abby's host if she ever visits Mexico. Abby tells him she can't wait as Alejandro picks up Abby's hand and kisses it, then leaves. As he passes McGee, he wishes him a good morning and leaves the lab. McGee walks up to a beaming Abby and asks what that was all about. Abby tells him that Alejandro has invited her to Mexico to speak at a symposium. "Don't you love that word?" she says. "Alejandro?" he asks. "Symposium," Abby replies. "Your not going to go are you?" McGee asks. "Are you kidding? Why wouldn't I go," Abby replies. McGee bets that Alejandro just wants to find out how many tattoos Abby has. "Maybe I have a new one that your never going to see," Abby taunts. McGee finally asks why Abby called him down to her lab. Abby has cracked the encryption on Lieutenant Hutton's hard drive. Lt. Hutton was using his top secret clearance to access old FBI and CIA transcripts. The document Abby pulls up to show McGee is a debriefing of a KGB defector from 1985. "Year of the spy," McGee says. "Spies have their own year?" Abby asks. McGee explains that in 1985, more spies were arrested than any other years so the media dubbed it "Year of the Spy. Abby wonders if the Lt. was accessing secret transcripts as part of his work with NIOC but McGee says the CO, Sears, never mentioned it. "So, he was doing it on his own?" Abby asks.

In the squadroom, Ziva hands Gibbs the autopsy report and file on Charley Bascom. The report says Bascom's death was definitely an accident. A car driving in the opposite direction, blew a tire, crossed the center divider and hit Bascom head on. Bascom was pronounced dead at the scene. "What did you find?" Gibbs asks Ziva. Ziva pulls up information on Bascom on the big screen. Bascom was a naturalized citizen, who immigrated to the U.S. from Canada in 1963. His birth certificate indicates he was born in Hamilton, just outside of Toronto but he died at the age of 3 from Meningitis. Gibbs whispers, "Bogus papers." He hands the autopsy report to Ziva and tells her to get it to Ducky. Ziva turns around and asks Gibbs if he has talked to Tony that morning. "Late last night," Gibbs says as he leans over his computer keyboard. Ziva tells him that Tony went to ZNN that morning. When she doesn't continue, Gibbs looks at her and asks, "What?". She tells him Tony got physical with Dana's producer. "I think he may be obsessed with this woman," Ziva tells Gibbs.

Tony returns to Dana Hutton's home. He stands in the living room and stares at a framed photograph on the mantel. He calls Dana's cell phone and introduces himself, telling Dana they have been looking for her for two days. He sits down at the piano bench and continues leaving his message saying, "Please trust me. I know this is going to sound crazy but, I feel like I know you. You can call me at this number." He hangs up his phone and begins to play a few notes on the keys when he sees the figure of a woman walking through the open front door. When he hears a creak, Tony calls out, "Dana?" Ziva walks in, leans against the wall, "I'm surprised you did not call me Laura. Cop falls for a missing woman, 1944, Gene Tierney, Dana Andrews" "You making a film reference, go figure," Tony replies. "Tony, this is a murder investigation, this is not

a movie. Dana Hutton is missing and may be dead like her brother. She's not just going to walk in through that door and into your life," Ziva tells him.

Gibbs heads into autopsy to chat with Ducky about his findings on Charley Bascom. Ducky points to some photos he has spread out on the table and tells Gibbs his esteemed colleague did a thorough and well-documented autopsy on Bascom. Since the cause of death was blunt force trauma to the head, there were a lot of detailed photographs of Bascom's head. Ducky enlarged one photo and asks Gibbs if he notices anything unusual. "Yeah, it's pink," Gibbs replies. Bascom has what is called "pink tooth" - it's caused by the use of an arsenic compound. Ducky says that while Bascom may have emigrated from Canada, he'd stake his reputation that Bascom was born in the Soviet Union.

The team meets with Vance in MTAC and he debriefs them on some information. During the height of the Cold War, there was a legend of a man named Yuri, who was a Mole in the Washington area and operated as "The Banker." He funded KGB Ops in America. Some doubted his existence but most believe he was real and worked up a profile; Charles Bascom fits the profile perfectly. "Used bookstore would be a perfect front," Gibbs says. It's believed kept over \$10 million U.S. in a slush fund and once the Berlin wall was torn down, the KGB was disbanded, they believe Bascom was forgotten about in the ensuing chaos, Vance tells them. "Charlie was Yuri when he was a spy. Kinda like Kevin Costner's landlord in the film "No Way Out", Tony says. "What does that make him Dana Hutton and her brother's handler?" McGee asks. Tony chuckles and says, "Are you suggesting Dana is a spy?" "Look I'm just saying, if I was currently writing a novel, I could not come up with a better cast of characters," McGee responds while Vance and Gibbs listen intently. "You got a navy officer, Lt. Hutton, with top secret clearance," McGee continues. Tony won't believe it so Ziva steps in and reminds Tony Dana is on a first-named basis with the President of the United States. "You two are both way off based," Tony argues. "If Chuck Bascom was Yuri, then what happened to the money after he died in the accident? Leon, maybe that's what this is all about," Gibbs says. Gibbs stands up and tells his team, "Come on, we're going to the bookstore." The team gets up quickly, except for Tony, he hesitates, the finally follows as Vance watches them leave.

At the bookstore, the team unpacks their gear and heads into the store. Tony thanks the Realtor, Maggie, for coming so quickly. She lets them in (doesn't unset the alarm this time) and asks if they've had any word from Dana. "No ma'am, but we'll let you know when we're through," Gibbs replies. Gibbs has McGee check out the vents when Tony's phone rings. Tony looks at his phone, then excuses himself to take the call outside. Gibbs tells Ziva to check behind the books. "There have to be thousands of them," Ziva says as Gibbs head off to look around. After a thorough search, McGee finds nothing in the vents, then asks Ziva where Tony is. "I have not seen him since he got the phone call," Ziva answers. "He's probably talking to his girl, Brenda Bittner," McGee remarks. Ziva laughs and then opens a cabinet to look in it. Gibbs is in the office, looking in the safe. He pulls out his knife and lifts the material on the bottom shelf of the safe and finds a microfiche. Gibbs tries to explain to McGee what it is "it's kinda of a 1070's things like the memory plug you put in the side of the computer". "Oh a flash drive," McGee says. "Yeah, yeah, one of those," Gibbs says.

That night, Tony is waiting by the water when Dana Hutton shows up. "I wasn't sure you were going to show," he tells her. "You were very convincing on the phone. So, um, you said you could hep me?" Dana replies. "Yeah. Where have you been?" Tony asks. "Hiding. I got a panicked phone call from my brother. He told me not to talk to anyone, he was on his way to the hospital but wouldn't say why. I heard on the news that he had died..." she says. Tony tells her her brother died of ricin poisoning, that he was injected with a pellet and probably didn't know it had happened. He tells her it's an old technique developed by the KGB during the cold war. Dana looks upset and leans over the side railing and Tony puts his hand on her back and asks, "Are you alright?" She looks at him, then his hand and Tony removes his hand. Dana asks if the doctors couldn't have helped him at all and Tony tells her that there is no antidote. She asks what else he knows. Tony tells her about Charley Bascom's "Yuri" identity. He realizes she already knew this. She tells him after Charley died, she had a locksmith open the safe. Inside she found Russian documents, codes and she was baffled and didn't understand why he had them. She confided in her brother what she had found. Jeffrey used his top secret clearance to research the documents and she started researching old KGB. "You could have just gone to the FBI," Tony says. Charley was like a father to her and she didn't want to expose him as Yuri until

she was absolutely sure. "Was the money in the safe?" Tony asks. "No, but I know where it is" she replies.

Gibbs is waiting outside the bookstore when Tony pulls up with Dana Hutton. Gibbs helps her out of the car and greets her. "Tony actually found Dana Hutton," McGee says from inside the bookstore. "She is even better looking in person, huh?" Ziva replies. The trio enter the bookstore and Tony tells everyone the money is hiding in plain site. Charley converted the money into something he treasured even more, Dana tells them. Dana puts on gloves as she handles a leather bound, first edition of the works of William Shakespeare, published in 1623. In today's market, in auction it could fetch \$6 million dollars. The other item is the complete, first edition, Gutenberg bible of 1456, covered with a "Dictionary" cover to disguise it's true 'identity'. It's printed on Vellum. According to the Internet, this book was stolen by the Nazi's in WWII and sold on the black market in the early 1990's for \$2.5 million and is worth 10 times that now. Dana points out that many of those books in that particular case are of significant value. "Helluva story," Tony says and Ziva just looks at him. "Too bad it doesn't have a happy ending, Jeffrey's dead," Dana says. "Who killed your brother?" Gibbs asks. "I don't know. Probably the same person that killed me," Dana tells the shocked team as she reveals the same round marking on her right forearm. Tony just stares at her as she looks at him and tells him, "I had to find out what happened to Charley. Sometimes I just get into a story, I don't stop."

Gibbs walks into Vance's office. "You made us look good with the FBI, Fornell says he owes you dinner," Vance tells Gibbs. Vance drops the file on the table and tells Gibbs the Microfiche was Yuri's accounting ledger. It contains dates, names and the amount of every penny Yuri dispensed for the KGB from the day the bookstore opened business until the last payment made in 1991. Most of the people listed are dead, in prison or were called back to Russia and all of them would have known about the money, maybe one of them is the killer, Vance says. The FBI is picking up the remaining few KGB members. Gibbs hands back the folder and says, "Yeah, we'll there is one name on there I'm gonna pick up."

Gibbs and Ziva meet Maggie outside the bookstore. "Need to get in again huh?" Maggie asks them. "Actually we found everything we were looking for. Dana Hutton, the money, Yuri's files," Ziva tells a shocked Maggie. Gibbs tells Maggie that she could have gotten her money after Charley Bascom died but she got greedy. In Russian, he tells her she is under arrest for the murder of Lt. Jeffrey Hutton. In Russian, she tells Gibbs his Russian is very good. They handcuff her and take her away.

Tony walks down into Gibbs basement. "How'd it go?" Gibbs asks him. "Well, she went peacefully," Tony says while picking up a hook and playing with it. Gibbs looks at him and asks if he's okay. "Not really," Tony says and sits down. Gibbs pours nuts and bolts out of a jar and pours a drink. "I broke Rule #10, again. Never get personally involved on a case" Tony says. Gibbs hands Tony a drink, and he sips it. "Yeah, that's the rule I've always had the most trouble with," Gibbs tells Tony.

Borderland

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up and pick something out if I were you," his grandfather replies. The man tells his grandson he can 'break' anything he wants for his birthday and to look around and let him know if something catches his eye. The young boy sees a car already in the compactor ready to go. "Oh boy grandpa," he says with a huge smile on his face. The grandfather figured he'd choose that one so he already has it 'locked and loaded' for compacting. He hands the boy a pair of safety glasses, then the control panel for the compactor. He tells his grandson the most important thing is he is not to tell his mother what he's doing. "What are you waiting for, so hit it," the grandfather tells him. The boy presses the button to begin crushing the car while his grandfather takes photos of him. "Does it hurt?" the boy asks. "No," his grandfather replies. "Are you sure?" the boy asks. "Yeah, it's a car it doesn't feel anything," the man responds. "Then why is it bleeding?" the boy asks. The man looks at the car and sees blood seeping out from the trunk, rushes to the boy and turns off the compactor.

The elevator at NCIS opens into the squadroom, Ziva is holding up a book on the "Bill of Rights" and reciting information for her upcoming citizenship test. "Yeah well you get a life to you little pipsqueak," Tony shouts angrily at his computer. "Speech. Clearly they did not have Tony in mind when writing that," Ziva says when she arrives at her desk. Tony gets frustrated when he's 'nexted' by another person in his online chat. "What's he doing?" Ziva asks. "Annoying me," McGee replies. "Besides that," she says. McGee explains that Tony is doing a random chat, it's a video website that connects you to random strangers. "Come on," Tony shouts as he's 'nexted' again. McGee explains that if the person doesn't like you, they hit next and move on.

"Let me guess, Tony keeps getting nexted? Ha, this I must see," Ziva says while McGee grins. Tony explains the longest he has gone is 10 seconds. Approaching his desk, Ziva says, "Well perhaps your not as interesting as you think you are." "This coming from the woman who reads the Bill of Rights for entertainment," Tony says. Then he tells her to back off and go away as she leans in to review his computer screen. A set of young girls pops on Tony's chat screen and he greets them. "Ew, your old, what are you like 40?" one of the girls says, then Tony gets 'nexted' again. "Why would you want to talk to complete strangers anyway?" Ziva asks. Tony feels like he needs to 'up' his game and do something like finger puppets, or a furry barnyard animal. He snaps his fingers, yells "I got it" then runs over to his filing cabinet and takes out a pair of silly joke glasses (black rimmed ones with bushy eyebrows and a fake nose). After putting them on he turns around and faces Gibbs. "Hi Gibbs. This isn't what it looks like," Tony tells an amused Gibbs. "Yeah," Gibbs says. "Just out of curiosity, how does this look?" Tony asks. After a moment's hesitation Gibbs replies, "Looks like we got a dead Marine, grab your gear, and a little self-respect, DiNozzo." Grinning from ear to ear, Ziva scoots to her desk to get her gear.

At the crime scene, Tony is taking photos of the body. He asks McGee if he brought his laptop.. "Yeah I did, why?" McGee asks. "I bet I'd last longer than 10 seconds in random chat with this guy as a backdrop," Tony says. The two men bicker because McGee wants Tony to stop and Tony won't.

Gibbs and Ziva interview the owner of the salvage yard. The man says he stripped the car himself the day before and the trunk was empty. Ziva asks about security cameras and the man's grandson tells them they have tons of them, but they aren't hooked up to anything. "Yeah, there just for show," the man tells them. Gibbs walks over to the boy, leans down, takes off his NCIS cap and puts it on the boy's head. "What's that for?" the boy asks. "For being brave and I also heard it's your birthday," Gibbs replies. "Yes," the boy answers.

By the car, Ducky inquires as to who the victim is. The victim's name is Marine Corporal Ray Collins. "Discarded in a junk yard like a piece of trash," Ducky says. "You know the word junk originally referred to mortical old rope of certain origin," Ducky tells Palmer. "Really?" Palmer replies. "Eventually it included any discarded item," Ducky continues. Palmer finds it fascinating until Gibbs steps up and says, "I'll tell you what's fascinating, time of death, Duck." Ducky tells Palmer they need to get the body to a more suitable work surface. Tony guesses that the killer dumped the body hoping the trash compactor will eliminate the evidence. McGee points out the man's cash and credit cards are missing so it's probably a mugging. Ducky pulls out the legs to find the feet cut off. "Well, I might agree with you if that were the only thing missing," Gibbs replies.

Back at NCIS, the team reviews the information they have on Corporal Ray Collins on the big screen. Corporal Collins has no family, single and no friends (the latter according to his CO). "His fitness eval was off the charts, but I'm guess that was when he had, feet," Tony says. Collins was serving in Afghanistan until he was court marshaled. "Charges?" Gibbs asks. "Everything," Ziva replies. "Larceny, drug dealing, assault," McGee tells Gibbs. "Might not have ended up doing time but he was definitely looking at a dishonorable discharge," Tony adds. The team is unable to trace Collins movements prior to his murder due to lack of credit card use and no cell phone and no ATM walk-by's either. Tony is pleased by what he found, the purchase of a Ducati motorcycle that Collins added to his Harley collection the month before. "Ray liked motorcycles," Gibbs says. "Motorcycles he shouldn't be able to afford on his pay," McGee adds. Ziva points out that with Collins reputation, there are dozens of people willing to kill him. "Talk to the guys in his Unit, see if you can find one that actually did," Gibbs says.

Abby is on her phone, pacing the lab. The Director's office has called and they want to see Abby right away. She wants the Director to wait five minutes because she had a break through on the case and Gibbs should be walking through her door any minute. Just as she says that, Gibbs walks in. As Vance's secretary is telling Abby the Director wants to see her right now, Abby tells her she has to go and hangs up. "Do you know something I don't know?" Abby asks Gibbs. "Probably not," Gibbs responds. Abby is fretting over why Vance wants to see her. "Do you know about the last time the Director wanted to see me?" Abby asks. "No," Gibbs says and shakes his head. Abby mumbles that seems how he doesn't know, there's no sense in mentioning it again. "Abs, you said you had a breakthrough?" Gibbs asks. After a moment of rambling and refocusing, Abby tells Gibbs that Ducky had found tissue underneath the victim's fingernails. She ran it through the database and didn't find a match on file. "That's not much of a breakthrough,"

Gibbs says. She tells him it's good because all military DNA is on file. "That means our killer isn't in the military," Gibbs says. Abby mumbles, "That rules out Director Vance." Gibbs gets her to refocus. She tells him that she is aware he was having problems tracking Collins move the night he was murdered but she was able to. She holds up Collins watch - which is a state of the art GPS runner's watch and it holds GPS data for 24 hours. Abby pulls up a blow-by-blow of the Collins move. He went for a run, then to eat, wander around for a bit, and wound up 'spending 2 hours standing on the street.' "Good work, get the address to Tony and Ziva. Good job," Gibbs says as he hands Abby a mini Caf-Pow. "What the bio-hazardous material is this?" Abby asks, holding up the Caf-Pow. "It's all they had," Gibbs shrugs. Abby thinks it's another bad omen and it doesn't bode well for her future. Gibbs walks up to Abby and tells her she shouldn't worry about it. "Why's that?" she asks. "Because I got your back. Always have had it," he replies as he leans and kisses her on the cheek then finishes with, "Always will."

In autopsy, Ducky says, "I cried because I had no shoes, then I met a man who had no feet. An old Persian proverb, a reminder to appreciate what we have because we can always have less." Palmer tries to imitate the cartoon character, Fred Flintstone and says, "Don't touch your balling balls before they hatch Fred." "Fred?" Ducky asks. Palmer fumbles to explain who Fred Flintstone is and is relieved when Gibbs walks in but continues to stumble over his words. Smiling, Ducky points at Palmer and says, "Yabba dabba do." Palmer laughs until he sees Gibbs face and stops. Gibbs wants to know what Ducky has for him. "A mess, and a troubling one," Ducky tells him. Ducky tells Gibbs that Collins was alive when his feet were cut off, but probably unconscious. Collins cause of death was that he bleed to death. The head trauma appears to have been caused from the car crusher with the exception of a blow to the jaw, caused by a wrench or piece of pipe. Someone knocked out Collins, then chopped of his feet. Ducky corrects Gibbs and says "Sawed them off actually for reasons I shall leave you to speculate." "Your right Duck, troubling," Gibbs says. Ducky tells Gibbs he hasn't shown him the troubling part yet. He has Palmer move the victims head and shows Gibbs a welt on the left hand side of Collins head, behind his ear. Ducky has no idea what caused it or how it came to be there.

Abby rushes into Director Vance's outer office. The secretary, Pamela Cook, starts to tell Abby why he wants to see her but Abby cuts her off. Abby's concerned that it's because she used government bandwidth for voice-over-IP phone calls, which were done for charity to help Save The Children because there are over 4 million deaths every year. Pamela says she doesn't think it's about that Abby says, "Then the infrastructure database that she loaned to Habitat for Humanity," Abby asks. Once again, the secretary tells her no so Abby asks that she keep that information between them. "He already knows," Pamela says. Pamela finally tells Abby that Alejandro Rivera, the Mexican justice department official, has requested for Abby to come down and speak at a symposium. "Yes, when do I leave," Abby asks. "I think today, but the Director doesn't want you going alone because Mexico's too dangerous these days, so he's sending an escort," Pamela replies. "God, I hope it's not McGee. I mean, he's never any fun to travel with anyways but lately he's been acting all squirrely with me, ever since Alejandro tried to undress me with his eyes," Abby says. McGee walks in, "Hi, the Director wanted to see me?" he asks Pamela. She smiles and looks down when Abby looks at her. "Hi," McGee says to Abby.

Ziva and Tony pull up at the address Abby gave them from Collins GPS. Tony and Ziva bicker about whether or not they are in the right location. "According to Abby's coordinates, in the truck," Ziva tells him. "I betcha Abby could last more than ten seconds in random chat," Tony tells her. "You are obsessed," Ziva replies. "You wouldn't understand," he says. She asks why. "Because, being irritating is second nature to you, Me, I'm charming," he replies. She balks at his comment then stops and takes a sniff as they get closer to the truck. "That's not charming," Tony says after he catches a whiff of the air as well. They rush to the truck and open it, looking inside. "That's a bloody table," Tony says. Ziva flashes her light higher and says Tony's name. He looks up and they both see several pairs of feet hanging from the inside of the truck.

Abby and McGee arrive in Benito Juarez, Mexico. Abby rushes out of the car the minute the door is opened and runs up the stairs. McGee calls for her to slow down and she stops to tell him she doesn't want to miss anything. "Like what, the burrito bar?" McGee asks. She asks him if he's going to be a party pooper the entire trip, then tells him to 'come on.' McGee whines about how the last time he was in Mexico, he was sick for an entire month. "It's called bottled water McGee. Maybe this time you won't be so cheap," Abby tells him. McGee shows Abby the photo of the feet that Tony sent him and believes it's a serial killer. McGee begins to chat with Abby

when Alejandro spots them and comes up to greet Abby. McGee watches as the duo make small chat. Abby jokes that her arms are pretty tired. "Not too tired, I hope, your going to need them," Alejandro responds. "Uh, for what?" McGee asks. Alejandro tells her has a stack of cold cases and a class with eager students waiting for her to share her forensics with them. Abby realizes she's going to busy and Alejandro hopes that she's not to busy for... "Let's just say busy and leave it at that," McGee chimes in before Alejandro can finish. "Agent McGoo huh?" Alejandro asks him. "McGee," McGee replies. Alejandro informs them that there is only one room available at the Justice Department's headquarters. "Well then we'll check into a hotel," McGee offers. The reason for the symposium was due to the escalating violence from the drug wars, so Alejandro insists that Abby and McGee stay at Justice headquarters. Nearly Abby or McGee look thrilled at the thought.

NCIS In the evidence garage, Ducky and Palmer are bagging up the sets of feet hanging from the truck. "No regard for protocol. Human remains are to be processed in the autopsy garage," Ducky tells Palmer. Tony says, I'm gonna go out on a limb here and say, serial killer." "A limb, nice," Ziva says, not amused at Tony's choice of words. "Can I give you a hand?" Tony asks, "These are terrible jokes," he says as Gibbs exits the elevator. Gibbs comments that if Tony has time to joke around, he's found the killer. Tony says he's working on it and tells Gibbs there is no license plate on the truck and the VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) has been scratched off. Ziva says there are over 1,000 similar vehicles registered with the Maryland DMV (Department of Motor Vehicles) alone. "Well narrow it down," Tony says after receiving a look from Gibbs. Stepping down from the back of the truck, Ducky tells Gibbs that Collins was unconscious when his feet were cut off, so it's safe to assume the other victims were as well, what's left of them. Pointing to a grungy tub, Gibbs ask "and the rest of them?". Ziva says most likely they used sulfuric acid as it's strong enough to dissolve bones. "Corporal Collins body was dumped, the rest of them weren't, why?" Gibbs asks. I'd have to perform a psychological autopsy to answer that question," Ducky replies. Ducky feels they have the killer's trophies, which means the killer will want to kill again. "Think I got a lead on that. Autopsy Gremlin, scam (to Palmer)," Tony replies. Tony holds up one pair of feet which have tattoos on the ankles and tells them it's a motorcycle tattoo, therefore the killer is targeting bikers.

In the classroom in Mexico, Abby is excited about teaching the class. "Are you going to eat during my entire presentation?" she asks McGee as he's spooning food in his mouth. "I read that local yogurt is amazing for your stomach," McGee replies. Abby informs McGee that the yogurt he is eating is unpasteurized. "Is that bad?", he asks. "In Mexico? You might as well just shoot yourself now," she tells him just as the class arrives. Abby greets the class with many Mexican greetings, then introduces herself. As she starts to introduce McGee, he gets up and heads out of the classroom, sick. She explains to the class what McGee ate and that he's probably heading to throw up. She grabs the case of files on her desk and hands them out. When the class gets to view Abby's full outfit, they all stare and some giggle. Abby hands out the file on a 20 year old case for Pedro Hernandez. After she hands out he files, Abby heads back to the desk and asks if they have any questions. One woman raises her hand and says, "Who told you the Day of the Dead was in May?", which causes a lot of giggles in the class. "Your name is, let me guess, Natalia," Abby says. "You can read," Natalie says after she looks at her name tag. "I can read. I can also tell that you have cats," Abby says as she walks closer to Natalia. "Anyone could tell I have a cat," Natalia says as she pulls a cat hair off her sweater. "One is an orange tabby and two calicos. You're allergic to citrus. You went bowling last night. You're vitamin D deficient. Oh, and you're ovulating. Any more questions?" Abby says as she walks back to the desk. Abby refers back to the case and tells them due to the shotty police work there is almost no forensic evidence. "I hope you brought your walking shoes because we are going, in the field," Abby says enthusiastically.

Meanwhile, Ziva and Tony hit the "Country Girl Saloon" and head inside. "This is the last biker bar we are hitting today. I smell like monkey grease," Tony whines. "Somehow I think you won't mind this one," Ziva says as a woman at the bar stares at Tony. "Hello Kitty, Meow," Tony says to the woman as he removes his sunglasses. Tony asks Ziva if she'd like to take it, then decides he should. He calls for everyone's attention, introduces himself and says he'd like to ask them all some questions, as all the bikers and the ladies stop what they are doing and stare at Tony. He holds up Collins photo and tells them he's looking for information on him. As everyone goes back to what they were doing, Tony says, I've lost my mojo, it's like random chat only the real world."

"Perhaps it needs a woman's touch so...." Ziva says but she is cut off by the bartender/owner. "Not unless that woman's got a warrant," Velvet Road says. She asks Ziva if she has a warrant and Ziva says they don't but they would like to ask a few questions. "You know what I would like, you to leave," Velvet tells them while the crowd looks on. Tony tells everyone there is a serial killer on the loose, targeting bikers and wonders if it interests them. "The only that that interest me is you, leaving now," Velvet tells him.

Velvet shows Tony and Ziva the way out, then apologizes for her behavior. "Had to put on a show for the kiddies?" Tony asks. Velvet introduces herself and says she had to if she wanted to stay in business. Velvet tells them she doesn't know who Collins runs with, but she knows who he's been sleeping with. Velvet says Collins slept with everyone and probably slept with the wrong guy's girl. Ziva informs Velvet that Collins isn't the only person dead. Velvet isn't surprised because if you look at some guys the wrong way, they'll kill you. "You got any names?" Tony asks. Looking back and forth at Ziva and Tony, Velvet replies, "I got a whole bunch."

Back in Mexico, Abby has taken her class on a field trip to the location of the truck where Pedro Hernandez was shot. Amazingly after 20 years, the truck is still sitting in the same location. "There are many ways by which a cold case can be solved. Anyone?" Abby says. Natalia raises her hand but Abby ignores her and turns to McGee who tells them new evidence, new witnesses that come forward, alibis that fall through or new information that comes to light. "This new information usually comes from forensic evidence, which we're going to have to find out on our own because this case has virtually none," Abby tells the class. Abby reads off the information from the file. She says the evidence indicated that Pedro was gunned down at point-blank range in a gang style shooting and Pedro's vehicle was abandoned after the shooting so that's where she wants to start. Abby points out the shatter pattern on the driver's side window of the truck and says the bullet was traveling at a high-velocity and asks McGee the answer. "Some kind of long range weapon," McGee replies. As Abby begins to go on, they hear a truck roaring up the road and Abby wonders if they are expecting more students. "Those don't look like students," Natalia says as several men with loaded weapons vacate the truck. A woman gets out of the passenger side of the truck, walks up and tells them they are trespassing. "Actually we were just leaving," Abby replies. "No, your not," the woman replies.

The woman, Paloma Reynosa, tells the class to line up. The men aim the guns at them, which makes the class line up quicker. "It's probably good to start praying too," Paloma says. "Can we just slow down here for a second," McGee asks. "Sorry, I have lunch plans," Paloma replies. "Would it help you to know that I am a guest of your government," Abby tells them. McGee tells Abby to be quiet and Paloma says that instead of killing her, maybe she'll take her as a hostage instead, see how much they are worth. McGee introduces himself, flashes his badge, then asks her to let everyone else go because he is worth a lot of money. She checks out his badge, then says, "You a brave man Timothy McGee, do you know who I am?" She gives him her name and he realizes she's part of the Reynosa drug cartel. "The family business is what I prefer to call it," Paloma says. Paloma wants to know what NCIS is doing in Mexico. Abby explains why she is there. Paloma wants to know what an old truck can tell her about a cold case. Abby explains about the shotty police work and that Pedro was killed by a long range rifle. Paloma tells Abby she is correct. Pedro was killed by a sniper, up on the ridge, 100 meters from where they are standing. "How do you know that?" Abby asks. "Because the killer left behind a message," Paloma replies. McGee wants to know what message. Paloma lifts the chain from around her neck and pulls out a rifle bullet from within. She tosses it to Abby and tells her that maybe she'll have a better use for it than Paloma did. Abby reassures her that she will see what she can do. Paloma compliments Abby on her boots and then she and her men hop in the truck and leave.

In autopsy, Ducky and Palmer are going over the sets of feet. "Jealousy can sure drive people to do strange things," Palmer says. "As can anything born of deep rooted insecurity," Ducky replies. "If I chopped the feet off of every man who gave Breanna two looks, I'd be up to my ear in toe cheese," Palmer says as he walks towards Ducky with a set of feet. Ducky hands Palmer a sample. "What is that?" Palmer asks. "Toe cheese," Ducky replies. "I hope you got something more for me than toe cheese, Duck," Gibbs says as he walks in.

Patriot Down

Season 7

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Recurring Role: Rena Sofer (Margaret Allison Hart)
Guest Stars: Richard Burgi (Randall Hammond), Dylan Bruno (Jason Paul Dean), Courtney Ford (Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Kaylen Burrows), Susan Santiago (Camila Charo), Sterling Sulieman (NCIS Special Agent Emil Mineoux), Jeffrey Doornbos (Marshall Tomko), Joseph Williamson (Navy Seaman George Capetanos), Christopher Foley (Navy Ensign Philip Bosch), Ryan Caltagirone (Navy Seaman Karl Wachter), Marco Sanchez (Alejandro Rivera), Nick Niven (Tyler Hammond)
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Summary: When a colleague's murder sends shockwaves through the team, Gibbs uncovers a surprising link to the crime.



4 DAYS EARLIER:

At the squadroom, Tony is watching the Annapolis Commencement coverage on ZNN News while McGee and Ziva are working at their desks. "Ah graduation, for many an alcohol induced purple haze." "Easy there Hendricks, it'll pass," McGee replies. Tony tells McGee that when he was on the Baltimore Police Department, every graduation they'd head down to the drunk tank and there would be 100 seniors throwing up on themselves. "Good times," Tony says. Ziva walks up, smiling and says, "Need I remind you that I too will be a graduate soon." "With a degree in what?" McGee asks. "English as a 10th Language," Tony replies. Ziva explains that her naturalization interview is that week, both written and oral exams. "It is how an alien becomes a citizen," she tells them. "Oh, I know what it means Ziva," Tony says. McGee asks if she's ready then asks her what the Fifth Amendment is. Ziva gives him the answer and Gibbs walks in and says, "Not bad, David, not bad at all." "DiNozzo, eighth letter of the alphabet," Gibbs asks. "G," Tony replies. "No, H for homicide got one on the beach in Annapolis, could be academy related," Gibbs says as he grabs his gear to head out. As the team grabs their gear to head out, Vance walks up and wants a moment with Gibbs. Vance tells Gibbs that every television station will be covering the Annapolis graduation so he wants the murder on the down-low until they know something. Smirking, Gibbs replies, "Keep what on the down-low, Director?"

The team is on the beach, processing the crime scene. Tony is taking photos of the burnt body, which is in very large fire pit, beneath burnt wood and ash. "Helluva way to go," Tony

Gibbs is riding horseback down the beach in Mexico. He stops when he comes to a body lying face down on the beach. He dismounts, then kneels by the body. A man walks up behind him and says, "Welcome to Mexico Agent Gibbs." Gibbs goes for his gun and the man, who has a gun aimed at Gibbs' back, says, "Don't even think about it."

says. "Smells like mesquite," McGee replies while smelling the air. "Who are you, Bobby Flay?" Tony asks. McGee points out that certain woods burn differently than others and it's still green out there, that's why the wood is smoldering. Tony thinks it's perfect for making Smores and McGee says he never liked Smores. "What are you talking about? What's not to like? You got your chocolate, graham crackers, gooey marshmallows. What kind of Boy Scout are you?" Tony asks. "I'm a Webelos actually," McGee says. "Zip up Webelos, your inner geek is showing," Tony says as he looks at the zipper on McGee's pants.

Gibbs and Ziva are questioning Navy Ensign Philip Bosch. Bosch tells Gibbs that the fire was ready to go when they got there. He set it up the night before so that when they arrived, all he had to do was drop the match and light it. Ziva asks if he thinks someone came during the night and deliberately put the body underneath. "Had to have, ma'am," Bosch replies. Gibbs notices Bosch is pale and looking sluggish and asks if he's feeling alright. Bosch explains he was up all night celebrating and hasn't slept yet. Gibbs smiles and says, "Go get some sleep, we'll be in touch."

Ducky walks up and says, "Whenever a good Nor-wester blows, Christopher is certain to have sand between the toes." Ziva asks what Christopher is. "He's a creation of AA Milne, who also liked a good romp on the beach," Ducky says. Ducky looks at the remains and says that this one put up quite a fight. The nails were broken at the cuticle, the heat cooked off most of the flesh but not all of it as he looks at the flesh on one hand. Ducky points out that killers use a normal fire as a crematorium but it doesn't work because it doesn't generate the necessary temperature. He takes out a medical kit and syringe. "See that, it wasn't hot enough," McGee tells Tony. "Thank you Wee Willy Webelos," Tony sarcastically replies. Tony holds the kit while Ducky fills the syringe with fluid and asks McGee for his portable finger print kit. Ducky rehydrates the dehydrated digit with saline, which allows them to get the victim's identification. "It's like watering a mummy," Tony says. McGee runs the fingerprint on the scanner and gets a hit. When he is silent for a moment, Gibbs says, "Words McGee." "Boss, this is Special Agent Lara Macy," McGee tells the him.

In the squadroom, McGee looks up information on Macy, while Tony looks at her photo on the large screen, while holding his badge with a mourning band around the middle of it (this is done in memory of a fallen comrade). Macy was transferred out of the NCIS: LA office the previous June to a new assignment in Marseilles. "Supposed to feel safer on American soil," Tony says. Ziva points out it that it could have happened to any one of them, it's the risk they take. Gibbs comes in and tells them the Agency is on alert and the Director has ordered a threat assessment. "So now what?" Ziva asks. "We assess," Gibbs says. "Figure out who killed another female agent," Tony replies. McGee replies, "Up hold justice to the full extent of the law". Tony responds, "Or whatever it takes". Gibbs figures Macy is a Marine, Agent and a daughter so he wants to begin with the daughter part of her first. Macy's mother lives on a farm in Cumberland, Maryland so Gibbs tells them to call and let her know they are coming. Ziva's phone rings, she answers it, then hangs up. She tells Gibbs that one of the men in Macy's office in Marseilles is calling into MTAC. The team is puzzled wondering how that office knows already. Gibbs heads up to MTAC.

In MTAC, Gibbs and Vance chat with Special Agent Emil Mineoux, from Macy's office. Macy left four days prior for personal time. Vance informs Mineoux that Macy is dead. When asked, Gibbs says Macy was murdered. "On my watch Agent Mineoux so if you think this is case related, I'm going to need every document, every file that you can get your hands on," Vance tells Mineoux. Mineoux wonders who would want Macy dead. Gibbs tells him to check her apartment, phone records and mail. Mineoux tells them that Macy was staying at the Freemont Inn while she was in Norfolk. "It's a great loss for Director, the whole agency," Mineoux says. "You have no idea," Vance replies.

In autopsy, Ducky is talking to Macy's remains. Gibbs walks in and says, "You're talking to yourself again Ducky." Ducky tells him that on the contrary, Macy is enlightening him. He shows him the bone chip in Macy's neck. Ducky believes a serrated knife was pulled violently up and around her neck, practically severing it from the spinal cord. "Macy can hold her own? Professional hit?" Gibbs says. Ducky believes it looks like a professional did it. Ducky wonders why Macy was set ablaze in NCIS jurisdiction.

Gibbs heads out and up to Abby's lab and he asks what she has. "Questions, for you," Abby says calmly. "Case first," Gibbs says as he looks over the evidence brought in from Macy's hotel room. She points out people travel for business or pleasure and if Macy was traveling for pleasure,

why didn't she stay at her mother's home in Maryland. All of the items Macy brought with her were work related items. Abby checked the last phone call coming in on Macy's phone. It was an incoming mad from a store bought, disposable cell phone. Macy made five phone calls since her arrival in Norfolk an all were to a Petty Officer Kaylen Burrows. Burrows is currently stationed on the USS Majestic. It was docked outside Marseilles until a few weeks ago, then made port in Norfolk at the same time Macy did. "Agency Macy followed Burrows back to the states, business," Gibbs says. "Not pleasure," Abby replies. "Gibbs, speaking of business, we need to talk, about stuff and things," Abby says. "Not now Abs," Gibbs replies. "Okay," Abby says as she watches Gibbs leave.

Gibbs heads down the hallway and runs into Allison Hart. "Hello, Mr. Gibbs," Allison says. Gibbs makes a comment about her wandering around and she reminds him she has a pass now. Gibbs walks up, looks at her badge and says, "Limited access. Your client, Colonel Bell, he'll be disappointed." She tells him it's not about Colonel Bell, she's on her way to see Abby because the Mexican government wants Pedro Hernandez's body back. "He's just a drug dealer," he says. "Maybe, but if you had an unsolved case, you'd want your evidence back to," she replies. "You better get to work," Gibbs says as he turns and begins to walk away. Allison invites Gibbs out for dinner, which he turns down, she then invites him out for a beer, which he also turns down. "If I didn't know any better Mr. Gibbs, I'd think you were avoiding me," she says. Gibbs just stares at her for a second, then rounds the corner without another word.

Tony and Ziva board the USS Majestic to talk to Petty Officer burrows. They enter the mess hall and Tony can't stop talking about the food. "We are not here to eat, Tony," Ziva says. "I mourn, I eat, I'm Italian," Tony replies. "Jews and Italians are similar that way," Ziva responds. Tony indicates where Burrows is, so the two NCIS agents approach her and sit down. When Tony makes the introductions, Burrows gets up to head back to work, but Tony puts his hand on her shoulder, indicating she needs to sit back down. Burrows claims she's running late and needs to get started on her watch. From across the room, two men watch what is going on at Burrows table. Tony starts asking about the Flan. "Can we stop talking about the Flan," Ziva says. "What are you anti-flan?" Tony asks. Tony looks at Burrows and asks if she will tell them what happened between her and Special Agent Macy in Marseilles?". "I don't know who that is," Burrows replies. Tony reminds her she spoke with Macy five times that week alone. The two men who were watching Burrows, approach her table and tell her it's time to go. "Haha, it's kinda cute how you guys all look out for each other. And you ate all your Flan, well done big boy," Tony says to the men. "This is a private conversation," Ziva tells them. "Well this is a US Naval vessel ma'am and we have responsibilities," one of the men says to Ziva. "And so do we. She'll meet you up on deck. Gentleman," Tony replies. The two men leave as Tony gets up to answer his cell phone. Abby calls to tell him she got into Macy's laptop and is able to view the files. Macy had started a case file but it was incomplete because the victim of the crime refused to testify and refused to cooperate at all. "Who was the victim exactly?" Tony asks. Abby tells him the victim was Kaylen Burrows. Tony swings around to look at Burrows, then asks Abby, "What was the crime?". "Rape," Abby replies.

Rule Fifty-One

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Recurring Role: Rena Sofer (Margaret Allison Hart), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Jacqueline Obradors (Paloma Reynosa), Dylan Bruno (Jason Paul Dean), Marco Sanchez (Alejandro Rivera), Ariel Llinas (Federale #1)
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Summary: Gibbs has to face his past once again as he goes to Mexico, where he is forced to make a big decision with great consequences.



Gibbs awakens on a patio in Mexico with a sack covering his head. His head is uncovered and Paloma Renosa asks Gibbs if he knows who she is, he does. "Tennessee Williams said 'We are all sentenced to solitary confinement inside our own skins for life.' Surrounded by men with guns, I think of this often, beautiful, sad but frank," Paloma says. "Do you consider yourself a frank man?" she asks. "He also

said all cruel people describe themselves as paragons of frankness. I would expect nothing less from the man who murdered my father," Paloma says. She stares at Gibbs, who remains silent, then sips her scotch. "I see you chose your words carefully Agent Gibbs, that is good. Your life depends on them," she says as Gibbs swirls his drink around in the glass. "I don't usually drink scotch," Gibbs says as he raises his glass and drinks from it.

In the squadroom, Tony is holding a small American flag, head in his hands saying, "This can't be happening, it cannot be happening." Smiling, McGee walks over to the filing cabinet near Tony's desk. "How could they let you in?" Tony demands of Ziva. "I passed the exams. I will officially become a citizen of the United States of America," Ziva says as McGee winks at her. "I've never been more disappointed in my government," Tony says. "Hey, that is my government now," Ziva replies. "Not til Friday," Tony tells her. "I expect to see you there, and you too McGee," Ziva tells both men. "Ziva, of course I'm gonna be there. Everyone is going to be there, and uh, Gibbs I bet, when he's back from his...." McGee tells her. "Hey, let's call it a vacation," Tony says. "It is not the first time he has run off on his own," she says. "Hey, not the first time he's run off to Mexico," McGee adds. "Not the first time he's gone without telling us anything," Tony says. "Nothing new to see here," McGee says with a smile. Vance walks up and says, "Not a poker player among you. Terrible, terrible bluffs. We're all used to how Gibbs operates for better for worse, let's just stay focused on what we're good at without him." Tony looks at Vance and asks, "What would that be Director?" "If you don't know Agent DiNozzo, I'm not gonna tell you," Vance says. Vance heads upstairs and calls for McGee to go with him as he needs him. McGee follows Vance upstairs to MTAC. "That was a pretty tasty and cryptic bit of rejection right there. Did ya see

that? The Director just slammed me" Tony tells Ziva. "I saw. Must be feeling like the redheaded stepchild," Ziva replies. "Now how would you get that Idiom right?" Tony asks her. "Because I'm an American now," Ziva says. "Not yet. I think I'm going to call my Congressman," Tony says as he picks up his phone.

Vance and McGee walk into MTAC. Vance inquires about McGee being friendly with Alejandro Rivera when he and Abby were in Mexico. "Well, in the broadest definition I suppose," McGee replies. Vance turns and looks at McGee and says, "We have an awkward situation brewing already, you want to complicate it further? I want all his information going through this office directly, not Ms. Hart. I've asked him to enlist the Federales in tracking down Colonel Bell and his men south of the border." "And Margaret Allison Hart, Esquire is under the employ of Colonel Bell. Alright, I won't let you down," McGee says. Vance turns around and asks the Tech to bring Alejandro online. Once Alejandro is live onscreen, Vance asks about Colonel Bell's plane. Alejandro explains that they found a partially dismembered body (no head or hands) not far from the massacre at the home of Mike Franks. Alejandro says they are already using methods taught to them by Abby. Vance has already run some of the fingerprint scans from the crime scene and several of the men are former Military and known associates of Colonel Bell. Alejandro says the other members are suspected associates of the Renosa cartel and they have a laundry list of charges against them. Vance is tasking an agent from the San Diego office to assist Alejandro on the ground and their navy transport will retrieve the evidence and bodies from Franks place. Alejandro feels that the American presence will help calm the violence because the cartel is afraid of nothing in Mexico. Vance leaves Alejandro to chat with McGee and leaves MTAC. McGee asks, "Was there any sign of Gibbs or Franks on that beach?" "No. Gibbs? He's in Mexico?" Alejandro asks.

At Paloma's residence, she sits with Gibbs on the patio and asks, "You solve crimes for a living. Is there such a thing as the perfect murder?" "Never seen one," Gibbs replies. "But how would it work?" she asks. "It's not the method it's the victim," he answers. "Get someone no one will miss," she says. "You don't need tips on how to kill me," he replies. "I am not opposed to killing or torture when it suits my needs that is part of my business. Colonel Bell wanted to prove that he was a better man than you. He and his men made for a useful ally but they were a means to an end, namely you," Paloma says. "I don't know what your after but you might as well put a bullet in my head right now because your not going to get anything," Gibbs replies. "It's never easy to turn someone, to change them. A Federal Agent in Washington D.C., you have value. I don't want your death, I want your life," she replies.

Gibbs and Paloma are inside her residence. Gibbs paces the living room, looking at the guard, Dean, before he sits down on the couch. "You gonna make me suffer? Throw the murder charge, force me to work with you. Thing about being a cop called burden of proof," Gibbs says. "You want evidence?" she asks and Gibbs nods. "An investigation performed by your own people that conclusively puts your signature on the crime," she replies. "Prove to me I'm guilty of a crime, bring it out in the open. I know something about convictions and I got em," Gibbs replies. Paloma smiles, then nods to the guard, who steps out of the room for a minute. "I don't care to put you on trial Gibbs, it may not suit my needs to kill you but it might be useful to kill everyone you ever met," she taunts. The guard returns and places a gray wrapped box on the table, then looks at Gibbs (who is looking at the guard's sidearm) and hands Paloma a rolled up rag. Paloma sits, rolls out the contents of the rag and says, "starting with your friend Mike" as an index finger rolls out of the rag. "Your former mother-in-law comes next," she says smiling. "Doing me favors now?" Gibbs replies sarcastically. "Then your coworkers, if I must, I promise to personally visit Pennsylvania and shoot your father in the head. That would complete the circle. You will start small, just make sure this package is delivered. How many more lies are your convictions worth?" she says.

Tony and Ziva walk into Vance's office as he is hanging up the phone. Vance has the duo taking a C-130 transport out of Pax River to Mexico. Vance wants Tony and Ziva to 'ride-along to Mexico' and return Hernandez's body to Mexico and escort the new bodies back to NCIS to ensure an unbroken chain of evidence. McGee walks in and Vance wants McGee to notify Alejandro that the airlift is enroute. McGee informs Vance that there is no word on Franks, but Alejandro thinks he might know Gibbs' location. "I never mentioned Gibbs to him. Who told him to look for Gibbs?" Vance says. "I may have mentioned it, was that not supposed to happen", McGee asks. Vance just looks at McGee, then heads to MTAC. "You want us to bring Gibbs back to Director?" Tony

asks. Vance tells Tony that the transport will only be on the ground long enough to load and unload, a couple hours tops, and wonders if Tony will be able to locate and retrieve Gibbs in that period of time. As he's saying this, he flicks at his right eye. The door to MTAC buzzes and Vance and McGee step inside. Tony is beaming from ear to ear, "Did you see that?" he asks Ziva. Tony believes that Vance winked unless he was prepping his eye for the scanner. Ziva doesn't understand why it matters if Vance winked. "Because that's what he and Gibbs do. They have this whole 'wink wink nudge nudge' language. Vance can't greenlight an OP, he expects us to pick up the slack when we see it," Tony says as he imitates Vance's eye 'flick.' "You see slack?" she asks. "I don't know you see a wink?" Tony replies. At the same time, they both turn and look towards the closed MTAC door.

At Paloma's residence, the Federales arrive with Alejandro leading the way. Dean walks up to Paloma and whispers, "Company." "Very well," she replies. Alejandro looks angry and questions Paloma in Spanish. She tells him they were just having a drink. "Agent Gibbs, has this woman made threats against you? You want to file charges for abduction?" Alejandro asks. Gibbs looks at Paloma who tells him, "Remember my advice, choose your words, carefully." "Not against me personally," Gibbs tells Alejandro. "You are reaching," Paloma tells Alejandro. "So are you," he replies. Alejandro gives his men orders to vacate the premises and tells Gibbs to come with him. As Gibbs stands up, Paloma says, "Say Adios." Gibbs looks at her for a moment, then leaves with Alejandro. Getting into the SUV, Gibbs asks "How did you find me?". "I follow her moves very closely, she's never reckless, difficult, almost impossible to prosecute. I nearly had her when a private investigator came here from America digging into her father's death. She had the P.I. killed," Alejandro says as he drives off. "You had your task force investigate the cold case, Pedro Hernandez or is that just coincidence," Gibbs says. "The report Ms. Sciuto prepared? I have still not seen it. Paloma must have someone on the inside," Alejandro replies. "Yeah she hasn't seen it yet either," Gibbs says. "What happened to it? Someone must've stopped it. Ms. Sciuto?" Alejandro asks. "No," Gibbs replies. "Your certain?" Alejandro says. "Yeah I'm dead certain, I wouldn't allow it" Gibbs answers. "I believe this, that's all I needed to know," Alejandro says as he pulls up in front of Paloma's home. "Someone took a bullet for you Gibbs, but you will take the next one," Alejandro tells him as he gets out of the car. Dean opens the door for Gibbs and says, "Surprise" as he helps Gibbs out of the SUV. Paloma comes down and addresses Alejandro, "Well Hermano, does he have your precious report?" "Hermano, brother and sister. I guess she never had to turn you," Gibbs says.

Tony and Ziva are leaving NCIS. Ziva tells Tony about the oath she has to take to become a U.S. Citizen, she has to renounce all her ties to Israel. "Well you will still be you Ziva and I'll be there to hear it, I promise," Tony says. As they enter the elevator, Abby joins them, grabs both of their shoulders and says, "You guys are going to Mexico, what's the plan?". "What do you know Abs?" Tony asks. Abby pulls a Gibbs and shuts down the elevator. "Gibbs mentioned rule 40," Abby says. "When you think someone's out to get you they are," Tony replies. "I have never heard of rules in the 40's," Ziva says. "They don't come up very often," Tony tells her. "And that's a good thing," Abby says quietly. "How many times have I told Gibbs to write these things down," Ziva says in frustration. "You don't have to write them down, they are for daily use, most of the rules, but the 40's..." Tony says. "The 40's, the 40's are for emergency use only," Abby says. "If the 40's are in play, something unspeakably bad is going down," Tony says. "We have to get him back," a concerned Ziva says.

Alejandro looks at a photo of him, Paloma and their father when they were younger. He picks up a dish with an appetizer on it and offers it to Gibbs, who takes one. "Your sister wants to make me her pet. And you? what do you want? You want to put me on trial?" Gibbs asks Alejandro. "I cannot, without that report it will be her way or she kills everyone you love, there is no other option," Alejandro answers. Gibbs pops the food into his mouth, "I've had this before," he says as he leans back on the couch. "No way out, in that riddle. Guy trapped in this room no doors, no windows," Gibbs says. "And how did he get there?" Paloma asks. "Well it was built around him but there's nothing there except a mirror and a table. How's he get out? Here's a hint, it won't work in Spanish" Gibbs says. "Look in the mirror, see what you saw. Take the saw, cut the table in half. Two halves make a whole, climb out the hole. Most retarded riddle I've ever head," Dean says. "My father taught it to me. My dad, never an easy guy. Takes a man to make a man right?" Gibbs says. "Hermano," Paloma says as she sees her brother getting agitated. "When things get rough, I can still go talk to him," Gibbs continues. Alejandro takes Dean's gun out and aims it at

Gibbs. "You know so much, Gibbs, well tell me this. How will this feel to me, what will it feel like to pull this trigger?", Alejandro asks. Paloma stands and says, "Alejandro, don't let him make you into a killer. You are more powerful in the government." Alejandro is agitated and says he is going to shoot Gibbs with his own gun. "You've never done this before. I have. I've killed men and woman in combat, in the line and in life. And some of those still haunt me, but I've never lost a night's sleep over your father. You want to know just what it feels like to be the hand of justice?" Gibbs stands and finishes, "then pull the damn trigger yourself and find out. Go on, do it." Gibbs stares down a crying Alejandro.

The C-130 carrying Ziva and Tony lands in Mexico. They grab their gear as the ramp at the back of the aircraft is lowered. "Alright we gotta move fast," Tony says. "And quietly" Ziva adds. "No authority, no jurisdiction, no time," Tony says. "We do not get back on this plane without Gibbs," Ziva says. "Agreed," Tony replies. As the ramp lowers, Gibbs walks up towards the plane and Tony and Ziva just stare at each other, then Gibbs.

Heading back to the U.S. on the cargo plane are Tony, Ziva, Gibbs along with the evidence and bodies from the shoot-out at Franks home in Mexico. Gibbs is sitting across from Tony and Ziva, eyes closed. Sensing they are staring at him, Gibbs opens his eyes. "You didn't find Franks?" Tony asks. "I said you didn't find Mike Franks?" Tony repeats. "I heard you," Gibbs answers. "So you just don't want to talk about it?" Tony asks as Ziva elbows him. Gibbs says the bartender told him Franks family left town the day before. "So, he knew something was coming. What else did you find out?" Tony says. "Federales got tired of me asking questions," Gibbs says. "Why didn't you just tell them you were with the Task Force?" Tony asks. "Angrily, Gibbs replies, "Because, I wasn't." "Still, I would've thought it would've taken the whole Mexican army to kick you out," Tony says. The pilot announces there is turbulence coming up, they are still a few hours from Andrews Air Force Base, so the passengers should hang on. The three of them adjust their positions a little. Gibbs says, "You get held up in customs, use my name." "Where are you gonna be?" Tony asks. "I left a mess I gotta clean up," Gibbs responds. Tony leans to Ziva and whispers, "That's 45, basically."

Back at NCIS, Tony walks into Vance's office. Vance hands McGee a battery from a black case and tells McGee that one is the right model. "You picked up an extra passenger," Vance says to Tony. "Yeah, funny that, Gibbs was just waiting for us at the airport," Tony answers. McGee says that Alejandro called them while they were in the air. "You mean your best buddy?" Tony replies. "He said he had to run Gibbs out of town. Tempers running high already the last thing he needed was another cowboy," Vance says. "Maybe he should have asked your permission before he went down there," Tony replies. "He doesn't need my permission," Vance says. "Well without it, he doesn't get your protection," Tony says. Vance looks at McGee and says, "Fit it for a GPS and a bug." McGee nods his head and leaves. Vance asks Tony where Gibbs is. "He went home to shower and change clothes. He got some Enchiladas and dust on his shirt." "When he gets in, tell him I'd like to see him," Vance says. Tony looks down at the black case in front of Vance.

Ducky is performing an autopsy on Colonel Bell's dismembered body. Across the room, Palmer is using a drill and crow bar to open one of the crates with a body and/or evidence in it from Mexico. Ducky removes a slug from the body and says, "Mr. Palmer do you think you could do that a little more quietly, I can hardly hear myself think." Palmer asks Ducky what he is thinking about but Ducky says his mind is a complete blank. "Has that ever happened to you before? Perhaps this will remind you of a time when....maybe you were just a lad and...." Palmer says as he walks towards Ducky. "What is it you are doing Mr. Palmer?" Ducky asks. "I thought maybe if I teed the ball up properly..." Palmer says. "I might find the fairway," Ducky finishes. Ducky tells Palmer it reminds him of a caddy on a golf course who kept giving him tips. When Ducky reached the 18th hole, the caddy gave him another tip and Ducky said he was going for it (he was 218 feet from the hole). Ducky takes the crowbar and demonstrates his shot and how he shouted obscenities at the man. Palmer assumes Ducky made the shot but he didn't. He overshot the hole by 15 yards and took a triple bogey. But Ducky learned a lesson, "Being correct does not excuse a violation of form." Ducky tells Palmer to take the slugs from Bells body up to Abby and then finish opening his crates as quietly as possible.

At home, a freshly showered and dressed Gibbs calls his father and asks him if there is anybody he can stay with for a few days.

Tony and Ziva go to see Abby to get a status update on the evidence. Abby is in the process of running the slugs that came from Bells body and doesn't expect to get a hit. Just as she says

that, her computer beeps and registers a 'match found.' "Oh no, not again," Abby says. "What again?" Ziva asks. "Do you think there's any chance Gibbs went down to Mexico to kill Bell?" Abby asks. "What would you even think something like that?" Tony asks. Turning back to her PC, Abby pulls up the file and tells them the slugs came from Gibbs SIG Sauer.

At home, Gibbs is cleaning his SIG Sauer.

Back in autopsy, Tony says to Ducky, "What would you say if we told you that the slugs removed from Bell's torso came from Gibbs' gun." "I would say that someone is trying to present Gibbs as a murderer," Ducky replies. "When he clearly is not," Tony says. "Well as friend and colleague, I think the best of Jethro. I would like to believe that he did not kill this man, but as a scientist I know that he did not," Ducky tells Tony and Ziva. "How can you be certain?" Tony asks. "Well the fatal injury was to the head and I would speculate that there are defensive wounds to the hands. this dismemberment was intended to cloud not only the identity of the victim but also of his killer. Additionally, Gibbs has always told us not to believe in coincidence, so when I see this serrated pattern, so similar to the KBar nick on Agent Macy's neck," Ducky says. "It's the same knife," Palmer says. "It's the same killer," Ziva adds. Tony points out that Dean turned on Bell and now he's with the Cartel. "How did he get Gibbs' gun? Gibbs is always saying there is only one way to do that," Ziva says. Palmer looks at them inquisitively and Ducky fills him in, "Pry it from his dead cold hand."

Tony and Ziva are brainstorming in the squadroom. "Since Gibbs is not dead, we have to assume he met Dean, in Mexico," Ziva says. "That's why I'm busy here, tracking Dean," Tony says as he's sitting at his desk. "Tony, why would Gibbs ever let him walk away alive?" she asks. "I mean I'm tracing cell phones, emails, credit card transactions. This is McGeek work," Tony gripes. Ziva reminds him McGee is still in MTAC. "Chasing scraps of opportunity that Director Vance drops in front of him. He's like one of those fish that swims around inside a sharks mouth, picking stuff out of there teeth," Tony says. "Pilot," Ziva says. "Yeah pilot fish," he says. Ziva tells him the Pilot for Bells private jet and points to the transaction on Bells credit card statement. She also points out the timing on Bells private cell phone. "Dead men don't make phone calls. Someone else is using his phone, perhaps the elusive JPD," Tony says. Ziva says she's going to do that thing McGee does to make sure the cell phone is active. "Look at us, doing it without him," Tony brags. "Without who," Gibbs asks as he walks in. Tony fumbles over an explanation of what he meant by 'without him' then tells Gibbs that Director Vance wants to see him. Gibbs begins to head upstairs when Ziva notices Bell's phone is active and he's making a call. Gibbs phone begins to ring and when Ziva traces the call, she and Tony realize Dean is calling Gibbs. Gibbs opens his phone, then looks at Ziva and Tony, who are staring at him, then looks up at Vance who is standing at the top of the stairs.

In Vance's office, Gibbs phone keeps buzzing. "Do you need to get that?" Vance asks. Gibbs takes out his phone and says it's voice mail. "What are the chances it's a message from Lieutenant JP Dean? The man who murdered Agent Macy and possibly Colonel Bell, his own boss," Vance asks. "I don't know, I'll have to check," Gibbs says as he tosses his cell phone on Vance's desk. Vance takes Gibbs phone and plays with it. "I spent a lot of time in Los Angeles this year, getting that office up and running," Vance says. "I noticed," Gibbs says as he looks away from Vance. "Hetty Lange out there, she's got a friend at Warner Brothers, took us on an inside studio tour. A lot of old props, costumes all the way back to Casablanca," Vance says. "Should tell DiNozzo," Gibbs says with a grin. "When I started here, with our different philosophies, it took me a minute to figure out how we were going to get along Gibbs. I thought about Rick and Louie from Casablanca," Vance says. "What and I'm Rick?" Gibbs says with a smile. "Oh in so many ways. Problems me. I'm sick of being Louie. I'm sick of of having to look the other way while your sneaking around behind my back. That doesn't work for me," Vance says. "Well maybe I shouldn't work for you," Gibbs says. "You tell me what your into right now, that's an order," Vance says. "No," Gibbs replies. "Your benched," Vance says. "Took you long enough Leon," Gibbs says. Vance pushes his chair back, stands up and says, "You want to try me, come on," Vance says. "What stopped you day one?" Gibbs asks. "My job, my life does not revolve around you you egocentric son of a *****," Vance angrily replies. "You sure make it sound like it does," Gibbs says. "One word and your done. You hate me because I can make that call," says Vance. "Right. Because my life revolves around you," Gibbs says with a smirk on his face. Someone knocks on the door and Vance angrily calls out, "What?". McGee sticks his head in to tell Vance that Bells jet has cleared Mexican airspace, Alejandro couldn't stop it and they filed a flight plan for Virginia. "How long?"

Vance asks McGee. "Five hours and since the entire case is headed here, Alejandro is going to follow on the next available flight," McGee tells him. "I'll be taking that," Gibbs says as he points to his cell phone, which is in Vance's hand. Vance tosses it down on the desk and Gibbs picks it up and walks out. McGee stares at Vance for a moment, then leaves, shutting the door behind him. Still standing at his desk, Vance reveals Gibbs' cell phone battery from his phone.

Gibbs walks into Abby's lab and sees a security guard. Abby introduces him as Darren, an armed security guard reassigned to guard her but she has no idea why. Gibbs nods his head at Darren, who takes the hint and leaves the two of them alone. "Except when I look at you, I know exactly why," Abby says. "Abby, I'm sorry," Gibbs says. "Gibbs why would you say that to me? It terrifies me when you break your own rules," Abby says. She is wagging her finger at Gibbs and explains to him that is something Mike Franks is never going to be able to do again. She confirms to Gibbs that the finger Paloma showed Gibbs belongs to Mike Franks, it's his right index finger. "He was alive when it was severed though?" Gibbs asks. "Ducky thinks so and it was shot off, for whatever it's worth," Abby says. "Gibbs, do they have him, do they have Mike?" Abby asks. Gibbs hugs Abby and kisses her cheek. "Can you at least tell me who they are?" she asks but Gibbs breaks off the embrace and leaves without a word. "I guess that's why super heroes have secret identities," she says.

In autopsy, Ducky shows M. Allison Hart one of the 'known' tattoos on Colonel Bell's body. "Despite his known reputation in this building, I considered Bell a good man," Allison tells Ducky. "Well I imagine you wouldn't have worked for him if you'd believe otherwise," Ducky replies. "Thank you Doctor, for that consideration," she says. "Forgive me, I forget sometimes, the effect this room has on some people," he says. "It does lend itself to a measure of introspection," she says. She looks at Ducky and says, "What is it you want to know Dr. Mallard?" "It was the Colonel who had an ax to grind with Gibbs, not you. You were carrying out orders," Ducky says. "It was a request, one I was free to decline," she replies. "But you were interested in learning more about Gibbs," he says. "Yes, I was," she replies. "And now your feeling that you backed the wrong man," Ducky continues. "Now, I'm remembering you have some sort of psychological degree," Allison says.

In the squadroom, McGee pulls up a satellite photo from Bells residence location on the big screen. He updates the team to let them know that Bells keeps a hangar at a small airfield near his home. "Alejandro sure Dean is on board?" Ziva asks. "Eyewitnesses confirm that Dean was traveling with at least four other men," McGee says. "Including the pilot and copilot," Tony says. "You three meet the plane. Grab Dean as soon as he steps off the plane and bring him back. Any questions?" Vance tells Ziva, Tony and McGee. While he's talking, Gibbs receives a text message from Dean "Am I safe?". "One, whose got lead?" Gibbs asks Vance. "Agent DiNozzo's got point," Vance replies.

Bells plane lands at the private airstrip. Tony says it's their bird and makes sure McGee and Ziva are in place. Ziva is on the rooftop with a sniper rifle and scope. The plane pulls up and the men began to exit the plane once the door opens. "You got a visual on our guy?" Tony asks Ziva. "Target acquired," Ziva says as she spots Dean through her scope. Tony tells Ziva to switch to night vision because it's going to get bright, so Ziva does. Tony and McGee turn on their headlights and Tony calls out, "NCIS put down your weapons. Jimmy Dean, you are under arrest." "Double crossing son of a....." Dean says as he goes for cover at the waiting car. A gunfight begins; Ziva takes out two of the men with Dean, McGee takes out a third man and Dean makes a break for it when he realizes he's alone. As Tony sees Dean out in the open, he fires off five rounds at Dean.

In the NCIS garage, Gibbs is using a crow bar to open one of the evidence crates. He opens a side panel and removes the package that Paloma wanted him to deliver. On top of the package is a note, which Gibbs opens and reads.

In autopsy, Dean's body is lying on the table with two noticeable gunshot wounds to the chest and one to the forehead. "What do you think Director?" Ducky asks. "Dean here killed Macy, killed Bell; played some part in the shootout between the Cartel and Bells men, maybe killed Mike Franks," Vance says as he looks at Dean's corpse. "Dead or alive, are his whereabouts still undetermined?" Ducky asks. Vance nods his head yes. "I did retrieve .45 caliber slugs from that shootout in Mexico," Ducky says. "That's Mike Franks weapon of choice," Vance says. "Yeah, I'm gonna go and double stack the drawers," Palmer says and walks away.

Gibbs is sitting on a bench in a park when Alejandro joins him. "I fly out to resolve the

situation only to find it already resolved," Alejandro says. "You tell Dean he was in the clear. You tell him that your guy in D.C. is gonna take care of him," Gibbs says. "Turns out to be true. If you have bad intentions, Washington airspace sure becomes treacherous," Alejandro says. "All those bodies, Dean takes the fall, smart," Gibbs says. "Would you have told me otherwise?" Alejandro says. "Never underestimate your opponent," Gibbs says. "Should write that down, except you and I are on the same side," Alejandro says. "You hold the cards. You and Paloma have Franks so you have your delivery," Gibbs says as he nods his head towards the package. "You didn't open it?" Alejandro asks. "I didn't need to," Gibbs says as he picks up a piece of paper off the package and hands it to Alejandro. "We have to distrust each other as our only defense against betrayal," Alejandro reads from the paper. "My sister and her quotes," Alejandro says as he folds the paper and puts it in his pocket. "You guys have a way of making a man feel left out," Vance says as he walks up to Gibbs and Alejandro. Alejandro gets up, shakes Vance's hand and says, "Director Vance, just trying to soothe some fractured egos." "With Agent Gibbs, that could be dangerous. Always a politician huh?" Vance says. "You of all people would understand," Alejandro says. Vance points to the package on the bench and says, "That something from home?". "Yes, to sweeten any sour feelings," Alejandro says. Vance picks up the package and asks what it is. "Candy," Gibbs says. "Handmade," Alejandro says. Vance opens the package a little and smells it. "Well, I'll be on my way," Alejandro says and begins to walk off. He turns around and says, "Unless you have that report for me." "You should already have it. Ms Sciuto sent it straight to the Task Force," Vance replies. "Hmm...," Alejandro says and walks off. Vance pulls out a small recorder and replays part of Alejandro's conversation with Gibbs. "He's cagey, Alejandro. Doesn't give anything away," Vance says. Gibbs hands Vance his cell phone battery, "New battery." "Here ya go," Vance says as he hands Gibbs his old one. "You made it obvious that your hands were tied without saying," Vance says. "Well...couldn't. I knew this delivery was just a test, I figured I could buy time," Gibbs replies as he puts the battery back into his cell phone. "Put a lot of trust to that follow-your-lead, Gibbs," Vance says. "Every day Leon," Gibbs says. "You think Mike Franks is still alive?" Vance asks. "I think Mike Franks left that beach shootout in pieces. Alejandro's lying about something, I just don't know what," Gibbs says. "He showed his hand," Vance says. Both men stand up and begin to walk. "I've seen enemies with vendettas, Leon. Seen people lose their lives to them, people that matter," Gibbs says. "The worse enemies are the ones that hide in plain sight. The ones we can't arrest them. You know there's a story about Humphrey Bogart on that tour. Might be apocryphal but I hope it's true. So he finishes early, he walks across the street to a bar still wearing his costume and his makeup. Couple hours later the director realizes he needs Bogie for one more shot so he sends a production assistant, sends a kid to drag Bogie back onto the cafe set. The Director somehow gets him to the top of the stairs and says 'All I need you to do is look over here and nod'," Vance says. "That's it?" Gibbs asks. "That's it. Bogie nods and one take, he's done. It's in the movie. When Victor Laslo wants the bandleader to play "La Marseillaise, he looks to Rick for the okay. It's only the turning point for the entire character, where he actually makes a commitment, he joins the cause," Vance replies. "All he had to do was nod," Gibbs says. "And that started everything," Vance replies. "You didn't get a copy of Abby's report," Gibbs asks. "I never saw it. Decades old cold case in Mexico, that's not really my business is it?," Vance says. Gibbs smiles and looks away. "Gibbs, if something has to happen with Alejandro, you don't have to say a word," Vance says as Gibbs nods. The two men walk away with Vance humming the tune "La Marseillaise."

Season Eight

Spider and the Fly

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Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), David McCallum (Chief M.E. Ducky Mallard), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Cote de Pablo (Special Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto)
Recurring Role: Marco Sanchez (Alejandro Rivera), Ralph Waite (Jackson Gibbs), Muse Watson (Mike Franks), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Burton Perez (Estaban Lopez), Andrew Thacher (Sergeant Paul Westgard), Jacqueline Obradors (Paloma Reynosa)
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Summary: The members of the NCIS team find themselves to be the targets of Paloma Reynosa, who is out there trying to fulfill her vendetta against Gibbs.



Paloma enters Jackson Gibbs' store, and flips the sign to "Closed". Jackson tells her "You need to go", and she tells him that they have a lot to talk about. He tells her "From what I hear, you didn't come to talk." She says that he is just like his son, but Jackson corrects her: "No, he's just like me," and fires a warning shot. Paloma pulls her gun and aims, but then backs down. She strides out of the shop,

meets two of her men, and curtly orders them to open fire on the store. They blanket the store in gunfire, and to the sound of sirens in the distance, they enter the store. The store is a mess – but Jackson is gone. (Credits) In Gibb's dining room, Jackson places breakfast in front of Gibbs, who protests with resignation that his dad doesn't have to make breakfast for him. Outside of the dining room window, we see guards/agents pacing back and forth watchfully. Jackson is making plans to run some errands, but to his disgruntlement, Gibbs tells him to make sure he takes the agents with him. Jackson declares that he has been living in Gibbs' house under lock and key for months, now, and the agents haven't had to do anything, but Gibbs reminds him that he's lucky he's not dead. Sr. retorts, "I'm lucky there was a storm cellar I could hide out in!" Jackson then tells Gibbs that he wants to go home – it's time, but Gibbs reiterates that it's not safe.

In the office, DiNozzo is replaying a tape of a shooting, where Franks is shot. "Rivera gives a signal, all hell breaks loose, he knew we were following him, we walked right into it..." Gibbs agrees, but tells DiNozzo to let it go. DiNozzo asks if there is any word from Franks, and is met by silence. DiNozzo quips, "Oh, that's right, 'observe and report.' It's hard to observe when you're being shot at. Do you think Vance is still angry with me?" At that moment, Vance asks, drily, "What do you think?" DiNozzo, startled, explains that they are still looking for Paloma, but with no luck. Vance tells Gibbs that SecNav is wondering why NCIS can't find one female drug lord, and Gibbs suggests that it is because she is back in Mexico. Vance tells them that the DEA wants to step in, but he wants to save face – however, despite Sr. Rivera's family ties (as Paloma's brother), the Mexican government seems to want to keep him in a position of authority. Vance asks for a status report. Ziva is in Miami, following up a Cuban tie-in, McGee is at the Canadian

border. Vance observes that they need to get back to their workload, Paloma could be anywhere in the world, but Gibbs counters, "Yeah – or she could be just across the street." Vance gives Gibbs a look, and then hands him a piece of paper, gruffly explaining, "Dead reservist – check it." Gibbs glances at the paper and tells DiNozzo to "saddle up." DiNozzo is unenthusiastic – "We're not going to Arizona, are we?" he moans, but Gibbs tells him that they are going to West Virginia.

At an accident site, the DiNozzo, Jimmy, Ducky and Gibbs are surveying a helicopter crash in the pretty countryside and commenting on the Blue Ridge Mountains, with the Shenandoah River nearby. Ducky quips, "Thank God I'm a country lad!" but DiNozzo corrects him, "Country boy." The victim is a John McMann, who had called in a MAYDAY at 2 am, reporting mechanical trouble before landing the helicopter in the field. Ducky points out that the pilot died of a gunshot wound after getting out of the helicopter. Another victim lies nearby, also shot to death. A 9 mm and a 45 casing is found in the grass – did they shoot each other? Gibbs theorizes that the unidentified passenger hired McMann for a covert flight, but when McMann called the MAYDAY, he didn't want to be found by authorities and shot McMann, not expecting McMann to shoot back. But Jimmy asks, "Where are the guns?" Gibbs replays the helicopter cabin camera, and sees Paloma Reynosa as one of the other passengers. Ducky confirms that the time of death was about 9 hours previous. Immediately, Gibbs orders a blockage at the state line, and airports on alert, as well as to notify Vance.

In the office, DiNozzo is pointing out that West Virginia borders five states – "that's a lot of land to cover." Gibbs is impatient, asks DiNozzo if he is really giving him a geography lesson, and then tells DiNozzo to get Ziva back in D.C. and to let McGee know that the 'copter was headed north, towards Canada.

In MTAC, DiNozzo is talking to a stoic McGee, who is wearing a furry hat with ear covers, looks cold and is being nuzzled enthusiastically by a horse as he is trying to talk. DiNozzo makes quips about the Mounties and moose, and McGee snarls that he has been up there for two weeks – "it's September, and there's snow on the ground – can you at least give me a little compassion, here?"

DiNozzo is too busy laughing. Gibbs comes in as asks McGee why Paloma might be heading towards Canada. McGee tells them that the DEA and the Mounties narc. division shut down a border exchange the day before, and thought the product was from Mexico and had potential ties to the Reynosa cartel. McGee then pleads, "Can I come home, Boss – please?" Gibbs smiles slightly and comments, "Nice horse, Tim," as he strides out. DiNozzo gives McGee an unsympathetic grin.

In Autopsy, Ducky asks Jimmy if he has ever been to the Turks and Caicos islands. Jimmy says no, but he once went to the Keys, and had the most delicious Key Lime pie in a little shack on U.S 1: "I swear, the meringue had the appearance of nimbus clouds," he adds, dreamily. Ducky stares at him, and Jimmy stops his musings. Ducky goes on to say that when he was a boy, the Turks and Caicos were referred to as the British West Indies, and that he had never been in an area that had such unique insects. Jimmy motions to the bug bites on Esteban Lopez (the now-identified victim from the helicopter), and Ducky points out that by the variety of bug bites on Lopez's body, he might be able to track Lopez' – and Reynosa's – movements. Jimmy is incredulous that Ducky can tell the difference between insect bites, and Ducky assures him that yes, he can – there are 43 different kinds of mosquitos just in the Everglades, "and don't get me started on South Carolina!" He sends a sample of the stomach's contents up to Abby for analysis.

It's evening in the office, and DiNozzo is at his desk. He receives an instant message from his dad, "DiNozzo the 1st" that asks, "Junior, when can we discuss my situation?" DiNozzo shoots back a terse, "Not now, Dad," as a tanned Ziva enters the office. She greets DiNozzo cheerfully, and he smiles a welcome: "Well, hello, Little Miss Sunshine State – don't you look balmy?" Ziva doesn't know what "balmy" means, but assumes it's not a compliment. DiNozzo whines that while she was dancing the night away on South Beach, he had to handle Gibbs all by himself. Ziva protests that she was working the entire time, but DiNozzo asks her about her tan lines.

She claims not to have any tan lines, which DiNozzo interprets as not wearing a bathing suit as she tans... his face freezes in delighted contemplation. She admits that she laid out in the sun that morning before leaving, and as she walks over to his desk, he takes a deep, appreciative breath: "You smell like ocean – and shea butter..." Ziva tells him that a Dade County informant said that a Mexican drug shipment recently came in by boat, with ties to the Reynosa family – and that Alejandro Rivera even came to Miami for a political visit and a meeting with the mayor.

DiNozzo observes that "The Wonder Twins have been busy," to Ziva's puzzlement. DiNozzo tells her about the Wonders Twins on TV, brother-and-sister super-twins, and they go on to wonder if attempting to kill Gibb's dad was business, pleasure – or both.

That evening, Gibbs brings in a load of firewood, but he is distracted. Jackson tells him that he saw the agents checking their weapons more frequently, and figured something was up. Gibbs finishes laying and lighting the fire, and then tells his dad that Paloma was seen 300 miles away, but they don't know where she's headed. "Coming here, I'd imagine," comments Jackson, "your instincts were right—sorry I doubted you." Gibbs acknowledges the apology with a quiet, "it's rough on everybody, Dad." Jackson asks Gibbs to come back to Stillwater with him after all this is over and help him fix the store up, since it's all boarded up. Gibbs tells him that he has a job to do, and Jackson tells him that the job can wait. Gibbs smiles, but suddenly draws his gun, quietly pushes his dad aside and, alert, eases towards the back door. They hear a creak on the steps, and Gibbs takes aim at the door with his pistol. The door slowly opens, and Mike Franks walks in, carrying a suitcase. Gibbs relaxes, and as he holsters his gun, exclaims, "Don't you ever use the front door?" but Franks calmly tells him it wouldn't have been a surprise if he did. Jackson is astonished: "How did you get past the agents?!" Gibbs introduces Franks to his father. Franks asks if he minds if he makes himself at home, and Gibbs asks, "What took you so long, cowboy?"

In the basement, Gibbs is pouring Franks a drink. Franks holds up his hand – missing the index finger – and quips, "3 fingers for me, Probie." Gibbs rolls his eyes, and as he pours his own drink, he looks down at the workbench and mutters, "I thought you were dead." Franks gleefully retorts, "I got better!" Gibbs asks what happened after the gunfight, and Franks tells him that he was hurt pretty bad, and stayed in a convent south of La Paz. He observes, "You know – drinking wine and playing cards with the sisters – I've never been closer to God!" Gibbs shakes his head ruefully, and asks, "Before that – back in May?" Franks tells him that when he got Gibbs' message, he made sure the girls were safe and took on Bell's men. Grimly, he tells Gibbs, "They burnt my little piece of heaven to the ground – I got most of them, but," looking at his hand with the missing finger, "they only got a little piece of me!"

Gibbs thanks him for coming, but Franks said that it wasn't an option – Gibbs is in a heap of trouble, messin' with the wrong familia – there are some big guns after him, and "sweet little Paloma has a hornet up her skirt and her sights set on revenge – you think I'd miss that?" Gibbs reminds him that it's dangerous, but Franks tells him that you do what you have to do for family.

Smiling, Gibbs asks him "What rule is that?" and Franks laughs and tells him, "The unspoken one!"

In the lab, Abby is showing two studded collars to her bodyguard, Darren. "This one, or this one?" Gibbs asks her what Darren knows about collars, and Abby tells him that after guarding her for four months, she has come to value his quiet opinion. She tells Gibbs that, based on the findings in Lopez' stomach, "he and Paloma were eating their way through the South!" She has found traces of blue crab, salt pork and alligator, all local proteins, which suggest a track from Mississippi to around the Florida Panhandle. She then goes to explain the insect bites, ranging from a Virginia chigger to an Everglades mosquito bite and how they were able to help her track his movements for the last four months. As Abby pulls up a map, she comments, "Assuming they were together, Paloma has been on a mission!", showing a trail that leads around the southern coast of the United States. "Drug routes," observes Gibbs, and Abby agrees. As Gibbs begins to leave, Abby stops him and comments that, even though they need to arrest her, if she's in jail, she knows bad things about Gibbs, so they need a plan. Gibbs, with a kiss on her cheek, assures her that he has a plan.

McGee exits the elevator with a look of bliss on his face, exclaiming that he had missed the stained orange walls. DiNozzo greets him: "The Prodigal Probie returns!" McGee tells DiNozzo that he doesn't really miss something until it's gone, and DiNozzo asks if McGee, in a broad Canadian accent, "So you missed me, eh?" McGee comments that he missed other things, like "Breakfast-without beer." Ziva turns up her nose and exclaims, "I thought that was the Irish?!" DiNozzo quips, "Canadians, too!", and McGee observes that beer doesn't go with either eggs or oatmeal. Suddenly, he notices that Ziva is tanned, and Ziva retorts that he is very white.

Gibbs enters and pulls up the map, telling the team that Reynosa never left, she stayed to solidify her cartel pipeline. Ziva asks what she is doing now, and Gibbs says, plainly, "She's coming after me." DiNozzo takes a phone call from the DEA, and reports a dead drug dealer in

Frederick, Maryland. Gibbs sends DiNozzo to Frederick, and tells him to take McGee and fill him in. Ziva calls the Maryland state police – "Paloma's getting closer – and she's not sight-seeing."

As Gibbs walks into Vance's office, Vance's secretary tries to pass through a phone call from "Director David." Vance tells her to tell him that he will call him back, and as Gibbs gazes at him, Vance tells him curtly, "It's 'need-to-know'." Gibbs looks off into the distance and mutters, "I know..." and Vance laughs, saying, "That's for sure!" They discuss Paloma's new pipeline, and wonder why she's setting it up now. Vance points out that the dead drug dealer in Frederick is probably Paloma sending Gibbs a message, but Gibbs objects: "It's nothing I don't already know." Vance goes on to say that he wants to move Gibbs and his father to a safehouse.

When Gibbs tells him that he's already in a "safe house", Vance tells him, "That's what I thought last year, with my wife," and reiterates he wants to take every precaution, "and bringing in Mike Franks doesn't count! I don't want Franks making things worse!"

he tells Gibbs as Gibbs leaves. Gibbs answer back, "They can't get any worse." "I hope you're right", Frank mutters at the closed door.

In Frederick, DiNozzo is teasing McGee for becoming more Canadian – McGee protests that it was only two weeks, but DiNozzo persists.

Taking pictures of the crime scene in a butcher shop, McGee reports that witnesses saw a Hispanic woman in her mid-30's leave the store after the gunshots. The victim is Charles Newberg, the co-owner of the butcher shop. McGee says that Newberg has a long rap sheet and had professed a desire to go straight, but the local police suspected the shop of being a drug distribution center.

DiNozzo suggests looking for the shop's truck as a possible get-away vehicle, and McGee issues a BOLO for the truck. DiNozzo notices a sign on the wall of the shop and quips to the trooper standing next to him, "\$C'mon – \$22 a pound for ribeye? THAT'S the real crime!"

In Gibbs' (boatless) workroom, Franks paces back and forth as Jackson patiently sands a dollhouse, and asks how long he has been working on it. Jackson replies, "Two months." Franks, in frustration, asks, "What's next – basket weaving?" Franks tells Jackson that they are old enough to know what is important, and that if this Reynosa woman wants trouble, "bring it on!" Jackson shakes his head. "I had my moment with Paloma Reynosa," he says, "and I'm not looking forward to the next one." Franks goes on to expostulate that they need to "grow some stones and take this senora down!" Gibbs hurries down the basement steps and tells his dad to ignore Franks, while muttering "Thanks, Franks." Defensively, Franks says that he has an opinion, and Jackson has a right to hear it. As Jackson is beginning to agree with Franks, Gibbs drily observes that it's hard to take someone seriously when they keep getting body parts blown off. Jackson entreats Gibbs: "Let's end this – not just for me, but for everyone."

In the office, Ziva is chuckling over an email. DiNozzo walks up and asks what is so funny, and Ziva says it is nothing, just an email from a friend. "A guy friend?" inquires DiNozzo, coming up and looking over her shoulder. She quickly exits out of the program and says, "Yes, my friend is a man." DiNozzo mutters, "Interesting... did you meet said 'man' in Miami?" Ziva looks at him incredulously as he answers the ringing phone. Suddenly, he has a serious look on his face, and tells the person on the other end to "send him up." Ziva, alert, asks what is up, but DiNozzo asks where Vance is. Vance magically appears, and DiNozzo tells him that someone is here to see him. Vance asks who, and DiNozzo nods to the elevator, where Alejandro Rivera is entering the office. Rivera walks up to Vance and says, "I think we should talk."

In his office, Vance tells Rivera that he has a lot of nerve, showing his face around NCIS. Rivera shrugs and declares that, legally, he has done nothing wrong. "What my sister does has no impact on my ability to represent the Mexican people." Vance looks at him and says, bluntly, "Your sister is a drug dealer and a murder – and I have reason to believe it runs in the family." Rivera protests that Vance's opinion is "unfounded", but Vance points out that Rivera's men fired on one of his agents. Rivera protests his innocence – "My men? I was in as much danger as Agent DiNozzo and Mr. Franks." Vance demands that Rivera get to the point, and Rivera tells him that his sister is there to set up a new pipeline from Mexico to the Canadian border, and he can give Vance details that will cripple her operation. "In exchange – for what?" asks Vance. Rivera says, "Extradition – let me take Paloma back to Mexico to be tried." Vance is skeptical, and points out that Paloma could have bribed her way across the border anytime in the last four months – why now? Rivera tells Vance that Mexico has realized the trouble that Paloma has caused, but Vance isn't buying it. Rivera shrugs. "Diplomacy – remember?" Vance tells Rivera that he has to discuss

it with the State Department and the DEA. Dismissed, Rivera prepares to leave, surreptitiously slipping an electronic bug under the corner of the table. He tries to woo Vance to the idea – "so many lives, millions in drug money – international relationships are often built on compromise." Vance stares Rivera down: "Not my relationships," and pointedly opens the door.

The team is on the floor, gazing up at Vance's office, wondering what Vance and Rivera are talking about. DiNozzo mutters that he has a few things he'd like to say to Rivera, but Ziva points that they what DiNozzo would like to say would probably get him arrested. Gibbs joins them and watches Rivera come down the steps. McGee asks, incredulously, "Is Rivera – smiling?" Gibbs frowns and comments, "I saw a cat smile like, once." As Rivera passes the team, he pauses and greets Gibbs: "Agent Gibbs. What an unexpected surprise." Gibbs responds in kind: "How's your sister – Alejandro?" Rivera smiles and responds that, considering the stress of the situation, it's good to see Gibbs in such good spirits. At that moment, Abby walks into the office with a file. She looks up, sees Alejandro, and confronts him. "Senor Rivera. Well. What are you doing here?" Charmingly, Rivera smiles and says, "Abby – would you believe I came to see you?" Abby, flustered, stares at him and then says, "No." Rivera gently reminds her, "You know, I never did get that report." Abby tells him that she has sent it, multiple times, and Rivera muses that "Miss Hart was looking into the situation as well, but she's out of the country – but, I presume you have another print-out of your findings?" Abby says "No, there was just one." Rivera tells Abby that it's too bad how things turned out, and then goes on to tell her, "It's late, you should be going home – but be careful, the roads are dangerous." It sounds like a threat, and Gibbs reacts immediately, striding to stand in front of Abby and asking Rivera, incredulously, "What did you say?" Rivera innocently responds, "Nothing inappropriate, I hope?" Gibbs tells him that if he wants to threaten someone, Rivera can threaten him, not the people he works with. The whole team is bristling at the implied threat to Abby. Vance moves to flank Rivera, and Rivera glances at him, commenting, "Your team can be hotheaded and reactionary, Director – they aren't doing you any favors." Vance snarls, "Let me do you one – someone show Senor Rivera out, before he gets hurt." Rivera jerks his chin up. "By whom?" and Vance bites out, "by me."

Later that rainy, misty evening, Gibbs is walking Abby out to her car arm in arm, and Abby is bemoaning the fact that she ever went to Mexico, met Alejandro and finished that damn report. Gibbs observes mildly that Rivera is just trying to get inside her head, and Abby admits in frustration that he's inside her head, "and he's making himself right at home." Gibbs assures her that he's not going to let anything happen to her. Suddenly, Ducky runs up to them in the parking lot and shows them a small skeleton doll. Abby identifies it as a Mexican "Day of the Dead" doll, and Ducky tells them that it was tucked into his windshield. They (including Abby's bodyguard) look around the parking lot, and Abby spies one on her windshield, too. Ducky wonders if it is a message from "this afternoon's unwelcome guest," as Gibbs' phone rings. He answers it, and Paloma purrs, "Don't look forward to the day you stop suffering, because when you do, you'll know you're dead." Gibbs snaps back, "Got anymore Tennessee Williams for me, Pa-lo-ma?" Abby and Ducky exchange a startled look. Paloma continues, "You know how much I enjoy his work, Gibbs. I hope you enjoy mine." Gibbs snaps the phone shut, and then opens it quickly, calling McGee to trace the call. Abby asks Gibbs what is wrong, and Gibbs points to Darren and orders him to stay with Ducky and Abby. McGee locks onto the signal, and, alarmed, tells Gibbs, "It's right outside your house!" Gibbs starts to run, and tells McGee to tell the agents detailed to his dad. McGee tries to call, but the agents aren't picking up. Jumping into his car, he yells for McGee to send DiNozzo and Ziva "now!" and peels out of the parking lot at high speed.

Ducky and Abby share an alarmed look.

At his house, the front door is ominously open. Gibbs eases in, gun drawn, but no one is in the living room or kitchen. Gibbs hears a door squeak, and spins to point the gun at the basement door, but it's Jackson and Franks, who have been in the basement, unaware of anything happening. Suddenly, the back door flies open, and Ziva enters, gun drawn. Easing back, she reports that one guard is dead, and another is injured, the paramedics are on the way, and DiNozzo is putting out a BOLO on Paloma. Jackson asks, incredulously: "She was here?" Gibbs' eyes sweep the living room and find a "Day of the Dead" doll perched over the fireplace.

Jackson asks why she didn't finish the job, and Gibbs replies, "Because she's not done, yet."

Rivera is strolling out from dinner at Morgan's Steakhouse as Gibbs and Vance pull up, tires squealing, in front of the restaurant.

They leap out, and Vance is angry: "One of my agents is dead!" Rivera shrugs his innocence

and says, "Well, I'm sorry," but Vance interrupts him: "Don't say you don't know anything about it!" Gibbs wants to know where Paloma is, but Rivera claims innocence, saying that if he knew, he wouldn't be trying to strike a deal. Gibbs gets into Rivera's face and declares, "You go after my father.

And then you go after my team. Does your sister want a fight? Because if she does, let's settle this right now – she's got one!"

Rivera is cool, and insists that he was merely having dinner as a guest of the United States. "Are you really threatening a representative of the Mexican government?" he inquires, as he pulls out his cell phone and dials a number. "Am I?" asks Gibbs, as Rivera says into the phone, "Mr. Ambassador, we have a situation..." Vance takes the phone from Rivera's hand, glances at the phone to see that it is, indeed, the ambassador's number, and then hands it back to Rivera, telling Gibbs, fatuously, "Gibbs, Senor Rivera must be tired." Gibbs protests, but Vance is firm, "No, we're done – for now." With a parting glare, Gibbs and Vance leave Rivera standing on the sidewalk. As they drive away, Rivera strolls across the street towards a car parked in an alley. Getting into the car, Paloma greets him and tells him, "It's time to avenge our father's death."

Back at Gibbs' house, Gibbs hands his dad a glass of milk, and as he sits down to wrap his badge in the black ribbon of mourning, Jackson tells him that he is sorry about his agents. Gibbs throws himself back on the sofa, looking at the ceiling for a moment, and then says, "Dad, I can stop this," he rises, and gives Jackson a long look, "but I'm going to need your help." Jackson meets Gibbs eyes steadily and responds, "Whatever it takes." Gibbs nods, and says, "Ok – let's go fishing."

Vance and DiNozzo enter the conference room, as Vance is telling DiNozzo that Gibbs has taken his father to the safe house at Church Creek. DiNozzo observes that it's isolated, and Vance warns DiNozzo to keep it quiet – no emails, no interoffice communication.

DiNozzo asks about a protection detail, and Vance tells him to assign one, but for now, Gibbs is with him. "Go and form your team," he tells DiNozzo, and DiNozzo leaves the office, with a fleeting "call" gesture as he closes the door.

Ziva and McGee are watching the computer and McGee observes that Alejandro is predictable – he is making an encrypted call to a cell phone on the move. "The same one Paloma used before?" Ziva asks, but McGee shakes his head and says that it's a different one.

Gazing at the screen, he tells Ziva to "call Gibbs and tell him 'the eagle has landed.'"

At home, Gibbs hands Jackson and Franks guns, and tells them it's time. Franks protests, telling Gibbs that Paloma won't stop until she gets what she's after. "Talking from personal experience?" Gibbs asks, needling Franks. Jackson wants to know what they are going to do when they get there and Gibbs tells him that they will wait. Franks asks him if he's sure it's going to work, and as Franks leaves, Gibbs mutters to himself, "No."

At the office, Vance calls Rivera, and tells him that he would like to discuss a "diplomatic compromise."

In the lab, Ducky and Abby are sharing a meal, and Ducky asks Abby if he ever told her about the first case he and Gibbs worked on together. Two sailors were out on a recreational skiff, and it capsized, leaving one sailor dead, and the other severely hypothermic. Abby asks if the other sailor drowned, and Ducky said no, that the surviving sailor stabbed him, claiming that it was more humane and convinced that his actions were justified. "Like Gibbs, twenty years ago," says Abby, softly. "What if this doesn't work?" she asks Ducky, worriedly. "What's going to happen to Gibbs?" Ducky tells her that in 1940, Winston Churchill sat in his bunker, "smoking one of those majestic cigars", waiting for news that the first German bombs were decimating London. "Let us therefore brace ourselves to our duty," Churchill said, over the radio, "and so bear ourselves so that if the British empire and its Commonwealth lasts for a thousand years, men will still say 'this was their finest hour.'" "The hour is upon us, Abby," Ducky sighs, "all we can do is wait and see."

In his office, Rivera assures Vance that he is making a wise decision, that this kind of combined effort between the two countries send a powerful message to the international drug community. Vance is unconvinced: "One of my agents is dead, and your sister is going home. What kind of message is that?" Rivera assures him that it is for the greater good, but Vance is skeptical, telling him that there is nothing good about this. Suddenly, DiNozzo interrupts and hands Vance a slip of paper. Vance glances at it, slips the paper into a closed folder and snaps, "Details!" DiNozzo glances at Rivera, but tells Vance softly, "Unconfirmed." "Gibbs?" DiNozzo assures Vance,

"He's ok, he's going to spend the night in the safe house." Rivera inquires if everything is ok, but Vance puts him off, telling him that something has come up and they will have to continue later, and that the agent outside will show him out.

Rivera is agreeable, and Vance and DiNozzo leave the room. Quickly, Rivera removes the bug he had placed earlier, and he grabs the slip of paper. On it is written, "Paloma Reynosa Killed." Rivera is stunned.

In MTAC, McGee is at a computer, and Vance and DiNozzo enter at a run. "Anything?" snaps Vance? "He saw the note," McGee confirms, "and he keeps trying to call Paloma, but I'm blocking reception – no text messages, either." "He thinks she's not answering!" says Vance. "Right," confirms McGee. "Where is she now?" asks Vance, and McGee tells him that she is headed to the safe house in Church Creek.

On an isolated road, a car pulls off the road and parks next to some bushes. Rivera gets out – he is distraught, and clutching an AK-47 or similar machine gun. He takes a deep breath, and approaches the safe house. A light in the safe house is turned off as Rivera watches, confirming that someone is inside. Grimacing, he begins to fire into the house, blanketing the house in machine gun fire. Windows and shutters shatter. A moment later, a car comes peeling up behind him, and DiNozzo leaps from the car, yelling, "Drop your weapon!" while Ziva shouts, "On your knees!" Rivera drops to his knees, confused, but declares "I did it for my sister, to finish what she started!" Another car pulls up, and a man walks up. Throwing down the "Day of the Dead" doll by Rivera's head, Rivera looks up to see Gibbs standing there. Confused, he begins to babble, "But they said you were in there!" Gibbs says evenly, "No one said we were inside this safe house." Rivera accuses him of killing Paloma, but Gibbs just looks at him, and begins to walk toward the house. "But someone was in there!" Rivera insists. Standing in the door of the house, Franks is watching something inside. Gibbs sees Paloma lying on the floor, gasping, shot twice in the abdomen. Ziva leaves to call an ambulance and Rivera drops to his knees beside Paloma. They murmur to each other in Spanish. Paloma sees Gibbs, and quotes, "Will you walk into my parlor?" said the spider to the fly." She gasps. "Do you know that poem?" Gibbs gazes at her as she becomes quiet and dies, and then turns and walks out.

In Vance's office, Franks walks in and Vance hands him an airline ticket. "Leyla and Amira are waiting for you," he tells Franks. As Franks reaches for the ticket, Vance admonishes him, "Don't miss your flight." Franks smiles and thanks Vance: "Much obliged, Director," and leaves.

Back in Stillwater, Jackson is sweeping up debris from the floor of the store, and Gibbs is using a crowbar to remove the boards on the windows. Jackson thanks Gibbs for coming, and asks him if he can spare the time. Gibbs, concentrating on the boards, says, "You do what you have to for family." Jackson grins, and says, "Ain't that the truth," as he and Gibbs exchange an easy, intimate smile.

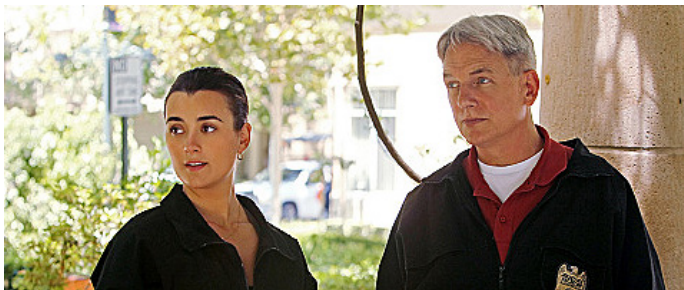
Vance is walking in a darkened warehouse full of hundreds of file boxes, holding Abby's report on the shooting of Pedro Hernandez.

He stops, places it in a box, and then carefully moves another box on top of it – the file is essentially "lost" in the files. As he is leaving, he receives a text message from Eli David: "I found him."

Worst Nightmare

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Summary: The NCIS team has to find a young girl that was kidnapped, but their investigation turns into something else when her grandfather gets way too involved.



In a middle-school classroom, an English teacher is starting a discussion on "Paradise Lost", but the class is bored – students surreptitiously texting, one boy is snoozing on his desk. The teacher turns and the cell phones are quickly stashed, but the boy continues snoozing, prompting the teacher to pull out an air horn and set it off near the boy. He jumps awake, to the giggles of the classroom. The teacher

continues, but the all the students are suddenly falling asleep – or passing out. The teacher is dismayed, "C'mon, it's not that boring!" but suddenly he is affected, too, and falls to the floor as he stumbles towards the door. (Credits)

In the office, McGee is showing some two young men and a young woman around the office. DiNozzo wanders in and, spying the young people, asks Ziva if they are being replaced by younger models. Ziva sniffs, "I AM a younger model . . ." and tells DiNozzo that they are from Waverly University – Vance's new internship program. Tony quips, "It's not a good idea – it feeds McGee's need to have groupies!" He saunters over to the group and good-naturedly tells them not to get too comfortable – in fact, they really should be heading for the nearest exit! McGee introduces DiNozzo, and the female intern stares at his badge intently, and murmurs slowly, "mi- sa-ti-na" DiNozzo is taken aback, and the other interns explains that she just made an anagram of Tony's name, that's how she remembers things. Tony is unimpressed and tells her, in a bright voice, "That's VERY unattractive!" The third intern asks why they shouldn't get too comfortable, and Ziva comes up and tells them that Gibbs isn't fond of outsiders. Tony goes on to tell them. "He isn't going to like you. And frankly, you aren't going to like him, either." "Why not?" asks the female intern. Tony responds, "You see, I'm not going to answer that question. Because, if I do, he's going to walk up right behind me and make me regret it . . ." McGee tries to signal Gibbs' approach by raising his eyebrow, but DiNozzo charges ahead, warming to his topic: "Because

that's the way he works. He slithers through the grass like a snake. He's not friendly. He's . . ." and winches as Gibbs smacks him upside the head with a file. "Done, DiNozzo?" asks Gibbs, and DiNozzo assures him that he was just thanking the interns for coming by. Gibbs replies, "Good – because they are staying – for the whoooole week." The team is astonished. Gibbs hands out assignment files to the interns: to the female, "Knox – autopsy. Seelus – forensics. Zuse, here." McGee eagerly offers to take charge of the intern, and Gibbs tells the team to gear up, there is some sort of gas leak at Quantico.

Walking down the school hall, DiNozzo reports to Gibbs that the principal has stated that the strongest chemical kept on school grounds is bleach, which rules out an accident. He also notes that the security cameras were turned off just before the attack. Gibbs smiles sourly and declares that to be convenient, and DiNozzo says that he will check footage for the last month to see if anything pops up. Gibbs tells DiNozzo to have McGee check the ventilation ducts. Surprised, Gibbs sees Ducky and his new intern coming in. "No body, Duck," he says, but Ducky explains that his new intern was very persuasive in wanting to see actual field work. Sarah bubbles over, "It's so exciting . . . it reminds me of the time that my grandmother took me to the Netherlands!" Ducky and Gibbs stare at her in wonderment – Ducky has met his match in random storytelling. Ducky and Sarah head off arm and arm as he encourages her to finish her story.

In the basement, DiNozzo and McGee examine a gas tank that has been rigged to empty into the ventilation ducts. McGee explains the procedure of taking photos before they remove the evidence, and his intern, Conrad, says ironically, "Here I thought I was going to be getting out of school this week, and now I'm right back in one!" McGee goes on to lecture about the need for detailed notes, but Conrad is casual: "When do we go home?" McGee asks him if anything is wrong, and DiNozzo adds, "Agent Conrad, you do realize that it is a crime to lie to a federal officer?" Conrad throws his arm out, encompassing the crime scene and tells them that he is a finance major – this sort of thing really isn't his speed. McGee asks him what he's doing there, and Conrad explains that after spending the summer on his father's yacht – "Yacht?" asks DiNozzo incredulously – he forgot to register for classes, and this was the only class that fulfilled his public affairs requirement. McGee asked him, "And being at NCIS was the only class?" "The only class that didn't meet on Fridays," nods Conrad. DiNozzo laughs as McGee grimaces.

While interviewing William Carmichael, the teacher, he asks why someone would do that. "A practical joke?" "Or an act of terrorism," responds Ziva, "or a diversion to acquire something of value here." Gibbs is wandering around the classroom. Gibbs asks if the building was always a school, but the teacher tells him that it was once an armory, and that everything has been long accounted for. Ziva confirms that everyone is there – 9 teachers, 105 students . . . but the teacher interrupts – there are 106 students. One is missing – and her bookbag is still hanging on her desk, with the name "Rebecca" on the side.

At the office, DiNozzo confirms that the missing student is Rebecca Mason, 13, who lives on base housing. Both parents are deployed on ships in the Gulf, and she is staying with her grandfather. Gibbs tells him to bring the grandfather in, but DiNozzo is already there – grandfather is on the way in, McGee is searching the basement, and Ziva is with the FBI coordinating a search at the house. Gibbs stares at him, and DiNozzo stops in confusion? "What – did I miss anything? Overstep my authority?" "No-o-o-" says Gibbs. "Then what's wrong?" Gibbs points at the picture of the pretty young girl on the screen. "That's not enough?" he inquires.

Mr. Mason is waiting in the conference room, gazing at Rebecca's cap. Gibbs enters, and he demands to know where his granddaughter is, and Gibbs assure him they will find her. Mason suggests that perhaps Becca got scared and ran off and hid somewhere, but Gibbs tells him that they suspect a kidnapping. Mason tells Gibbs that he doesn't understand how this could happen in the middle of a Marine base, with all the security. Gibbs shrugs. "Well, it makes it hard – not impossible," he says. Sitting down, Gibbs asks him why anyone would want to kidnap his granddaughter. Mason tells Gibbs that her mother just came into a lot of money. "How much?" asks Gibbs, and the grandfather replies, "We don't talk about that sort of thing in our family – but her father just bought a new pickup truck!" he said, shaking his head. Gibbs smiles slightly, and Mason goes on to tell Gibbs that he and Rebecca had planned to go fly-fishing that weekend. "How many 13 year old girls do you know would give up their weekend to go fly-fishing with their grandfather?" he asks proudly, and Gibbs smiles and agrees: "She sounds like a special girl," and Mason confirms it with a smile, "My world, Agent Gibbs – my world." Gibbs assures him that that won't change, but Mason tells Gibbs that he used to be an insurance actuary, and that the

feds track record with child abductions isn't good. Mason's cell phone rings and, glancing at it, he tells Gibbs – "It's a satellite number – it's her dad. What do I tell him?" Gibbs tells him to tell her father that they are doing everything they can. Mason answers the phone, and Gibbs leaves him to talk in privacy.

In the lab, Abby is sternly telling her Seelus that he is not to touch her computer, her lab equipment, her MP3 player, her CaffPow, her desk, or "burp my Freddy Hippo without my express written consent." "Uh – how am I going to do anything?" inquires Seelus, but Abby goes on, prohibiting cameras or flash photography. He points out that he doesn't have a camera, but Abby interrupts, telling him that if she accidentally turns her back on him, he is to immediately move back to within her line of sight. Sarcastically, he asks, "Why don't I just wear bells?" but Abby, considering it, confirms that that is a really good idea. She goes on to say that they'll get it ironed out, but she's just had problems with people assigned to her lab. Reaching in a drawer, she hands him a necklace with bells on it. He looks at and declares that he isn't putting it on. They argue back and forth, and Seelus is saved from the bell by Gibbs, who strides in. Abby turns to him and demands, "Who are you, and what have you done with my Gibbs that doesn't like interns?!" Gibbs and Abby turn to gaze at the intern, who hurriedly moves to Abby's line of sight. She tells Gibbs that whoever moved the gas canister used gloves, so no fingerprints, but she was able to get an electrostatic impression of a boot print on the side of the canister, and she is trying to trace it. She then goes on to tell Gibbs that the canister contains one of the few chemicals that would have the ability to have such a widespread anesthetic reaction (glaring, she turns to the intern, who quickly moves to her line of sight), but that what's in the canister isn't one of them. In fact, she's never heard of the compound in the canister, and can't find any reference to it – which leads her and Gibbs to the same conclusion: The attacker was a chemist.

McGee is on the phone, extending the Amber Alert for Rebecca to a tri-state area, since they aren't sure how much of a lead they got. Conrad hands him a file and says, "Done," and McGee hands him another file and tells him to check for criminal records. Conrad protests that he saw McGee do it on the computer, and, to Ziva and DiNozzo's smiles, McGee tells him that he has to do it by hand to learn how to do the procedure properly. Conrad sighs and disappears behind the cubical, and DiNozzo smiles evilly and declares to McGee, "Now you understand – it feels good, doesn't it?" McGee gives him A Look, and as Gibbs comes in, DiNozzo tells him that there is no word on the BOLO for Rebecca, and that the FBI found nothing, but are set up in case there is a ransom call. Gibbs tells them that they are looking for someone with a chemistry background, and McGee offers to run Quantico visitor records against work experience, and Ziva will track down educational training. DiNozzo tells Gibbs that they are still trying to contact the girl's parents, and Gibbs is ready to chew DiNozzo out: "Trying?" he asks caustically, but DiNozzo tells Gibbs that the ship is on radio silence. Gibbs stares at DiNozzo for a moment, and realizes that the grandfather was lying to him. "Where is the grandfather?" Ziva tells him that Mr. Mason left to go home when Gibbs went down to see Abby. "Get him back here," he orders, and DiNozzo asks "what's up?" Gibbs tells them that Mr. Mason told him that he received a satellite call from the parents. "No way," declares DiNozzo, "and even if they did, it would be routed here through MTAC." Ziva breaks in to tell them that there is no answer at Mr. Mason's house – and at least the FBI should be answering. "McGee?" asks Gibbs, and McGee tells him that he is running a diagnostic on the phone line – the number has been forwarded to a Skype number, and it received a call 20 minute ago. McGee smiles and says that it's an internet call, and the calls are still cached – Gibbs is impatient, "What does that mean – can I HEAR it?" "Yes, we can hear it," confirms McGee. A computer-altered voice says, "If you want to see Rebecca alive, you will do exactly what we say." We hear Mr. Mason ask, "Is that you, Nick?" and then follow with "ok, I'm alone now, is Rebecca ok?" "Half a million dollars in cash. One hour. Alley at 59th and Osborne. Come alone or she dies." The team takes off – Conrad is left peering around the corner at the activity.

The team pulls up near the intersection, and Gibbs warns them that they are going in quietly. The team spreads out as Gibbs approaches the alley. McGee asks Gibbs why Mr. Mason didn't tell them that the kidnapper had called, and Gibbs tells him that he thinks that Mr. Mason didn't like their track record. McGee muses that Mr. Mason has a lot of guts, being over 60 and coming out on the meet alone. He then continues, "Actually, he's got guts being over 60 and having a Skype phone! Now that I think about it . . ." he says thoughtfully, "Not many guys his age . . ." Gibbs spies a pair of feet clad in work boots sticking out from the garbage – he draws closer, and

see a man in khakis and a blue striped shirt lying dead behind the dumpster. "That's not Mason . . ." declares McGee unnecessarily.

At the office, they are staring at a picture of the dead man. His name is Eddie Lang – no chemistry background, but he does have a rap as a gun for hire. Ziva confirms that video surveillance shows him entering the base with bona fide credentials, and Abby has confirmed that the print she got off the gas cylinder matches his boot. Lang is a kidnapper – but is there more than one?

McGee comes in and tells the team that there are discrepancies in Mason's background – the actuary company where he said he worked is an empty shell company, his bank accounts reference accounts that don't exist, and on and on. "Nothing about this guy is real, boss," declares McGee. DiNozzo asks if he is a retired spook, but McGee says that no one has heard of him. Gibbs gets a call that Mason has called into MTAC, and he and McGee go to take the call. As they head upstairs, Conrad comments to Ziva, "I gotta say, you guys are good. You could be making a KILLING in the private sector!" DiNozzo looks at Conrad and then says, tightly, "And then who would be catching all the bad guys, Conrad?"

McGee notes that Mason is routing the telephone call through military satellites, somehow – untraceable, and he shouldn't even have access to those routes in the first place. Mason's first words are "It was self-defense." Gibbs tells him to come in and talk about it, and Mason replies, "We both know that's not going to happen." Gibbs accuses Mason of lying to him, and Mason apologizes, but explains that he didn't want NCIS to mess things up, so he went to the drop by himself. Mason is in a truck, with a computer open by his side. Gibbs asks, sarcastically, "Oh, yeah? How did that work out?" Mason tells him that he was lied to, also, and that Rebecca wasn't there as promised. He is calling Gibbs to warn him, "It's like Amateur Hour out there today," and Gibbs asks, "And you're the professional?" "I am what I am – bad luck for these guys," Mason replies. Gibbs encourages Mason to come him before he crosses a line he can't come back from. Mason is calm, but determined: "There's not a force on this planet that is going to stop me from finding my granddaughter. You have to work within the law. I am a bit more flexible." He hangs up. McGee notes, "He sounds serious," and Gibbs mutters, "No kidding."

Jimmy is entering autopsy and comes upon an astonishing sight: Ducky is conducting an autopsy, and is being observed by Sarah. Both are singing "Scotland the Brave" at the top of their lungs. Jimmy applauds as they come to the end, and they both turn to him in surprise. Ducky asks him how his dentist appointment went, and Jimmy says fine. Going to Sarah, he asks, "And who are you?" "Sarah Knox," she introduces herself, and Ducky explains she is an intern, whose ancestors are from a small coastal town north of Edinburgh. Jimmy is obviously jealous, "Scotland? That's great! Uh – when are you leaving?" he asks her. Sarah enthusiastically declares, "Hopefully never! The crime scene today was very exciting!" "Crime scene," repeats Jimmy. "You took her to a crime scene?" he asks Ducky. "Two," confirms Ducky, "she was very proficient." Sarah goes on to talk about how the dead have so much to tell us, and Gibbs enters, commenting wryly, "Well, I'm listening – what are they saying?" Ducky tells Gibbs that the cause of death was spinal shock by blunt force trauma to the cervical vertebrae. Jimmy not-so-gently moves Sarah away from the table as Gibbs circles to examine the body. "Mason broke his neck?" asks Gibbs, and Ducky goes on to describe other injuries to the body as the result of a fight – broken knuckles, torn ligaments, etc. They discuss that the body's wounds seem to be against a well-trained opponent. "If these are the result of a defensive struggle, I'd hate to see what he'd be like on the offense."

In the office, DiNozzo impatiently hangs up on a clairvoyant, who has called to say that she has seen Rebecca in the future, and tells Ziva that next time she has the crazy person tip hotline. He snaps over at Conrad, "You have anything good, Mini-Gee?" Conrad stammers that he had plans, but DiNozzo responds forcefully, "BUMMER!" Conrad folds silently. DiNozzo asks Ziva why he suddenly wants interns around, but Ziva doesn't know. They agree that there must be a reason. Ziva admits she has nothing on the dead kidnapper, but McGee comes in and tells them they found something in the car – a CD. He slips the CD into his computer, and they see a short video of Rebecca crying and pleading to be taken home, along with a newspaper showing today's date. Conrad is mesmerized – "That's really real," he says, and DiNozzo agrees solemnly: "As real as it gets." Suddenly, a virus alert goes off, and McGee tells them that there was a trojan virus on the DVD, and it's sending out a data packet over the internet to a phone number – theirs. The phone rings, and Gibbs puts it on speaker. A computer-altered voice declares that he is angry, because one of his men is dead. Gibbs asks him if his first call to NCIS was intercepted by a

family member and the voice agrees, "Yes, the old man. We will deal with him later." and then goes on to tell Gibbs that the price is now \$1 million, and they have 24 hours before it hangs up. McGee is frantically trying to trace the call, but was unable to – but routing is being pinged to a cell tower. In exasperation at the techno-speak, DiNozzo declares, "Can you at least pretend that you have a sex life?" but McGee explains that someone else is tracing the call. "Mason?" inquires Gibbs, and McGee points out that if they can trace the sniffer program, the kidnappers can, too.

At a trailer in a trailer park, Ziva and Gibbs arrive and call out to Mason. No answer, and the door lock is broken. Entering, they discover a gagged, dead and bloodied body, and Ziva surmises, "Looks like the kidnappers got here first – and Mason was waiting for them. This does not look like self-defense."

At the office, DiNozzo confirms that there is no trace of Mason. Jimmy meets Gibbs and tells him that Ducky found that the new John Doe had a lot of the same injuries as the previous victim, and that Abby found Mason's fingerprints all over the trailer. "We know," DiNozzo tells Jimmy impatiently. "Anything else I can do for you?" asks Jimmy. DiNozza points to "MTAC: Restricted Personnel" as Jimmy looks away and worriedly tells them, "It's getting a little crowded in Autopsy, I can read the writing on the wall . . .", but the door to MTAC is shut firmly in his face. In MTAC, Gibbs is talking to Rebecca's parents, Lisa and Nick. Nick tells Lisa to calm down, but she is upset and demands to know what NCIS is doing. Gibbs tells them that they are going to pay the \$1 million, and Lisa tells them they don't have it – Nick finishes by saying that she only inherited half of that. Eyebrows go up. Nick goes on to ask, "Why did they double it? What did my father do now?" Cautiously, DiNozzo asks him why he said that, and Nick says that they had always known, growing up, that his dad wasn't an actuary, but they didn't know what was going on, but that there was a safe in his bedroom. DiNozzo dashes off to organize a search team. Lisa declares that they want their little girl back, and Gibbs assures her that they won't stop until they do. Lisa continues with a threat: If anything happens to Rebecca, Mason will be the least of Gibbs' worries.

Gibbs goes down to the evidence locker and is admitted. Outside the locker, Conrad is sweeping. Gibbs pulls an evidence box off the shelf, labeled "Approved for Destruction." As he takes the box to a table, the intern accidentally taps on the cage with his broom, and Gibbs turns around and stares at him. Conrad apologizes, and asks, "That's for the ransom, isn't it?" Gibbs continues to stare at him, and Conrad, taking the hint, mutters, "Let's just pretend I've never been born – instead of actually trying to learn something . . ." and starts to move away. Gibbs removes large stacks of bills from the box, and sighing, confirms that yes, it is for the ransom. Conrad is incredulous – "You can just do that? Just take the money like that?" "I can in two days," responds Gibbs laconically. Conrad thinks about this, and then tells Gibbs, earnestly, "You can get into a lot of trouble!" earning him A Look from Gibbs. "So why do it?" "It's my job," responds Gibbs. "Your job – is to stick your neck out?" Gibbs explains, replacing the box: "Building catches fire – most people run away. Some people . . . run in." Conrad observes, "It's not safe to run into a burning building," and Gibbs agrees. Using the retinal scanner, he calls the elevator and Conrad tells him that he knows he doesn't like interns on his team – what has changed? Gibbs shrugs and says, "I dunno – maybe, me?" and leaves.

McGee is combing through the contents of Mason's safe, exclaiming that he doesn't think he even has clearance to see the papers. Six hours to go before the kidnapper's deadline, and Gibbs want to find Mason. McGee explains that Mason has everything in the safe from classified Presidential itineraries to classified satellite codes. Jimmy wanders up and offers to be a sounding board, but Gibbs slaps his hand as he reaches for a file and he wanders away like a lost puppy. McGee will set up a snooper program on the satellite codes so they can track Mason if he tries to use them. Gibbs asks them if they are sure that Mason was on their side, and McGee says yes, but probably a long time ago. He quips that the kidnappers picked the wrong girl to kidnap – "It's like kidnapping Jason Bourne's granddaughter!" he exclaims. Abby's intern enters the office to let them know that Abby has found something. He is dressed in a white lab coat – and the bells are hanging around his neck. To his embarrassment, the team gaze at him in amusement. As Gibbs and the intern exit the elevator, his bells jangle. Gibbs stops for a moment, and the intern apologizes, but explains, "I'm sorry, but I'm more afraid of her than I am of you . . ." Gibbs enters the lab and sniffs, as Abby proudly declares "Mesquite grilled hamburgers, Gibbs!" He asks if she is flipping burgers or catching kidnappers. She gives her intern a signal, and he quickly sits, swiping a donut out of a box labeled, "For Parked Interns Only". She prompts him, "Michael!" and

he races to the computer, bringing up a picture of a compound that Abby says is similar to the chemical in the cylinders, and was recently applied for patent. "Speak," she prompts the intern, and he tells Gibbs that the patent is for a sensory delivery system for billboards. Abby goes on to explain that billboards will not only entice drivers by sight, but now also viscerally by smell, and the chemical can take on an infinite variety of smells. "And the chemist?" inquires Gibbs with a smile. As Abby goes to her desk to get the name, the intern mutters with a grin to Gibbs, "She scary . . . but I like scary!" "Tim Greystone," she announces, "from Greystone Compounding Pharmacies!" Gibbs delivers the kiss on the cheek and leaves. She turns and the intern is right behind her, smiling. "Hi," he croons. "Oh, no!" exclaims Abby. "Don't go there!"

Outside the pharmacy, the team is trying to see inside, but they can't see anything. Ziva thinks it's doubtful that Rebecca would be kept in such a public space. Suddenly, DiNozzo and McGee spot Mason peering out from behind a crack in the curtains. The team enters at a run, McGee first, following by Ziva. Mason is standing over a body on the floor. McGee approaches him, but Mason delivers a flying kick and a headlock on McGee. Ziva runs to hold a gun on Mason, but finds herself flying through the air against the shelves. Gibbs calmly walks in and orders Mason to stop it. Mason releases McGee, and McGee tells him that he's under arrest for murder. Mason says that he didn't tell the man on the floor, and DiNozzo, skeptical, asks about the body at the trailer park. Mason tells them, "They aren't kidnappers. They are part of my team. Whoever did kill them is playing us all." In Interrogation, McGee and Conrad are observing Mason, who is eyeing the interrogation room with a practiced eye. "What's he looking for?" asks Conrad. "A way out," says McGee, but Conrad doesn't see how anyone could get out – it's escape-proof. McGee acknowledges that it's supposed to be, but if anyone could get out, it would be Mason. Gibbs enters Interrogation, and Mason tells him, bluntly, that they are wasting time. Gibbs asks who Mason is, but Mason is silent for a few beats. Gibbs observes, "NOW we're wasting time." Mason tells him that he isn't authorized to know, and Gibbs asks him who is authorized to tell him. Mason replies, "The President of the United States." Gibbs pulls out his cell phone, but Mason goes on to say, "The one buried in Simi Valley – out in California." (Note: Ronald Reagan) Gibbs is tired of playing games, and demands to be told what he needs to know.

Mason tells him that he and his team were part of an off-the-books experiment, a small group of operatives working within the law, but outside the chain of command. "We did the things that needed to be done – do you understand?" Gibbs asks how many, and Mason says eight, originally. The project was cancelled two decades ago, with three left. They returned to civilian life, given new backgrounds, and ordered never to be in contact with each other. "Orders you broke," observes Gibbs, and Mason explained that he broke orders when he went to his team for help with Rebecca's kidnapping. He then goes on to say that the sedative gas used at the school sounds exactly like a Greystone creation that they had used on operations to keep casualties to a minimum, but was sold on the black market later. He had hoped that Greystone could help him identify the buyer. Gibbs asks about the John Doe in the trailer, and Mason tells him that it was his comm. specialist, Ajax. Mason had retrieved a phone from the first kidnapper, and taken it to Ajax hoping that he could trace it. "Exactly like I was supposed to," he says, bitterly. Gibbs is beginning to understand – the kidnappers were after the team, not Mason's granddaughter. But who would want his team dead? Mason says, drily, "You're going to need a stenographer for that list – we got around." Mason is afraid that since the team is dead, his granddaughter might be, too. In observation, Conrad asks McGee worriedly – "Do you think she's dead?" McGee is unsure, and Abby walks in as Conrad asks, "So, what are you going to do?" Abby responds firmly, "We are going to do what we always do – catch the bad guys." She then asks McGee to let Gibbs know that she needs to see him immediately.

In the evidence garage, Abby and her assistant are peering at Mason's car engine, with DiNozzo observing. As Gibbs enters, DiNozzo laughingly tells Gibbs that while no one wants to comment on Mason, they do have a "request" to drop all the charges. "So drop 'em," commands Gibbs, to DiNozzo's surprise. DiNozzo scurries to make the arrangements. Gibbs asks Abby what she has found and she says, "Not me – my new Number 1!" as she gestures toward Michael. They have found a slight tear in the fuel line that didn't get there by accident, which would have caused the car to explode. They also found fingerprints, which would have been destroyed in the explosion.

The fingerprints belong to Walter Carmichael – the substitute teacher at Rebecca's school, who had been a member of Mason's team and handled long-term counter-espionage. He had been

reporting as dying in Sri Lanka in 1987. After the attack on the school, he told the administration that he needed some time off to "recuperate", or, as DiNozzo notes, "to go kill off his former team members." But why? Revenge? Bounty hunting? McGee and a team are at his house now, but no sign of Rebecca, and unless they can figure out what is motivating him, they are going to have a hard time determining his next move. Gibbs decides to talk to Ducky.

In Autopsy, Ducky is deep into a book entitled "The History of Flagellation." Ducky tells Gibbs that he was expecting him, and hazards a guess as to his question: "You want to know if the girl is still alive." "No," retorts Gibbs, "I want to know how to get her back alive." Ducky has been going over Carmichael's records, but it's difficult, because prior to 1987, they were probably all falsified. Carmichael reinvented himself as a missionary in Cameroon for twelve years, then documents that he had worked in a hospice, then as a teacher – Ducky believes that Carmichael felt remorse for the killings he had committed while part of the team, and was trying to seek atonement in good works, but then got frustrated and decided on a more direct method. McGee had found several tools that pointed to the possibility that Carmichael was engaged several acts of atonement, such as a hair shirt and self-flagellation. Ducky goes on to say that the guilt became too much and he felt driven to remove the remaining members of the team. Gibbs wants to know how Rebecca fits in, but Ducky is not encouraging – apparently Carmichael now feels that he answers to a "higher power", and is capable of anything. Ziva hurries in with a cell phone in hand – Carmichael is on the phone and wants to talk. Ziva suggests that he knows that NCIS is holding Mason, and may want to trade Rebecca for Mason to get at Mason.

The unmarked car pulls up to a pretty, flower-lined city street. The team escorts a handcuffed Mason from the car. Gibbs, McGee and DiNozzo escort Mason to the meeting spot. Ziva is in position with a sniper rifle trained on the spot. "Well, we're here, where is he?" asks DiNozzo, and Mason grunts, "He's here." Carmichael, dressed as a homeless man, rises from the park bench and confronts the team. With guns trained on him, he tells them that if they shoot him, they will never find Rebecca. Carmichael tells Gibbs to release Mason to him and they will get in car and drive away, calling Gibbs in an hour with Rebecca's location. Gibbs asks about Mason, and Carmichael responds, "Oh, his fate is out of my hands – I am only an instrument of justice." Mason declares, "Your elevator never went to the top floor!" as he quietly slips his hands out of the loosely attached handcuffs. DiNozzo asks how they know that Rebecca is still alive. Suddenly, Mason grabs DiNozzo's gun and points it at Carmichael, saying that Rebecca is already dead. A scuffle ensues, Ziva shoots, and Mason falls to the ground. Gibbs races to the body to take a pulse as Carmichael smiles and begins to mutter Bible verses on avengement. Gibbs yells in frustration at Ziva, who is scrambling down the embankment – "Why did you take the shot?!" and Ziva screams back at him, "Mason was going to shoot!" Carmichael, satisfied, tells Gibbs that Rebecca is in the trunk. Ziva and Gibbs race to the car, Ziva quickly picks the trunk lock, and they find Rebecca bound and gagged, but safe. DiNozzo, gripping Carmichael, comments "Well, the girl's alive," and Carmichael affirms that "wanton collateral damage is one of our sins, she's an asset . . ." Suddenly, he trails off in horror, as Mason pushes himself off the sidewalk and asks, "So what am I – chopped liver?" Rebecca runs into her grandfather's embrace. Mason thanks Gibbs and tells him, "I could have used a guy like you on my team." Gibbs responds, "We can still use a guy like you." Carmichael is still stunned. "But . . . but . . ." Mason points to the "bullet wound" in his shirt. "Corn syrup," he says. Wildly, Carmichael looks at Ziva. "Blanks," she says.

In the office, McGee and Conrad observe the team returning, Carmichael in custody, and Jimmy clearing an unnecessary path for the group. Conrad looks at McGee and says, "That's it? A happy ending?" McGee peers over at the group and observes, "Not exactly. There's the happy ending," he notes to Conrad, as Rebecca flies across the room calling "Mom! Dad!!" and gets swept up in a bear hug from her parents, who have just arrived. "Feels nice, doesn't it?" asks McGee, and Conrad admits that he could get used to it – "but not the pay. But let's just say I was interested . . ." McGee hands him an application packet with the title "Student Internship Application," and tells him that it is an application for a full internship at NCIS. Gibbs continues from his desk, "It's all filled out – it just needs your signature." Conrad smiles in disbelief, and Gibbs offers him a pen.

Short Fuse

Season 8
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Season Episode: 3

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Recurring Role: Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Benjamin King (Public Affairs Office Ron Sands), David Sullivan (NCIS Special Agent Larry Krone), Jacqueline Hahn (Kathy Tolin), Zack Weinstein (Judd Dempsey), Larry Herron (Master Gunnery Sergeant Jason Kelly), Lorenzo Callender (Gene Abbott), Rayna Tharani (Mary Roberts), Robert Curtis Brown (Gary Tolin), Abby Brammell (Marine Sergeant Heather Dempsey)
Production Code: 165
Summary: The NCIS team has to work with the FBI when they learn that a female bomb tech is linked to a murder.



A half-dressed man tries to make plans for another rendezvous with his younger lover. They hear noises downstairs. Heather grabs a gun and goes downstairs. She shoots the intruder.

In the office, Tony tries to look natural for a photo shoot for the new NCIS recruiting brochure. He doesn't exactly turn out photogenic. Gibbs comes to announce the murder of the week: a Marine

shot an intruder. The PR people snap away at Gibbs as the team leaves.

At the house, Ziva learns Heather is a bomb tech (think "Hurt Locker"). Her phone rings, she's on call. There's a bomb threat on the Navy base.

Tony comes downstairs, announcing that Heather's bed looked slept in on both sides and her toilet seat was up. The intruder's finger prints have been removed - from his hands, not the surfaces.

In the lab, Abby works on lifting the serial number off the intruder's gun. There's nothing on facial recognition. They listen to Heather's 911 call. She's very calm, saying she shot someone who broke into her house. They find a man's voice talking on the phone in the background, confirming Tony's theory.

They get background on Sgt Heather Dempsey, who filed a lawsuit against the board of ed in high school when they wouldn't let her play football. She's done two tours in Iraq and has never been married. She has a brother. They don't know who the guy was.

McGee tracks cell phone calls in the area.

Ron the PR guy tells Tony he needs the cover by tomorrow but doesn't have the shot. Tony and Ziva go to find Heather at the bomb threat on the base. Tony lets the PR people tag along.

In the morgue, Duckie tells Gibbs the intruder had a liver transplant 20 years ago.

On the ship, Heather watches the bomb-sniffing robot two decks down. Tony tells her they know she wasn't alone. Heather wants to go diffuse the bomb manually and tells her guys to get the robot out. She suits up.

The bomb is in a backpack, tangled on something. She untangles it. She ignores warnings and opens it. It doesn't explode but she sees it's on a timer – with 5 seconds left. She turns to leave. Then it explodes. She's stunned but OK.

McGee tells Gibbs the bomb was more flash than bang and Gibbs thinks it was someone wanting to make a statement.

McGee tells Gibbs he's eliminated every cell phone in the area that night but one. It's registered to the FBI.

Agent Fornell drops by Gibbs' as he irons. He brought lamb curry, which neither of them like. But he had a coupon. Gibbs asks about the cell phone. He takes one bite of the curry and throws it out. He gets cereal instead. Fornell tells Gibbs the guy is way up in the bureau, above both of them: Gary Tolan, executive assistant director of the criminal investigations division.

Fornell tries the curry. He'll be having cereal, too.

In the lab, Abby is stumped by the gun. Palmer comes for help with the body. He wants a computer search of the transplant list from 15 to 20 years ago.

Tony brings in Tolan to watch as Gibbs talks to Heather. She says she met Tolan that night as a speaking engagement and he told her he was married after she shot the guy. Tolan panicked and left.

Tolan tells Fornell he hopes no one will tell the bureau or his wife. He says he'll cooperate.

Abby reports her transplant results, narrowed down to one guy: Glover Reese. He spent 10 years in prison for attempted murder, where he got his transplant. His prints were found at the scene of two unsolved murders, both suspected to be contracts. He was a hit man.

Gibbs and Fornell go to Tolan's house. Fornell hasn't been able to reach him. His wife says he packed a bag and left a few hours ago, citing business. She has no idea where he is. She's a little concerned the FBI doesn't know where he is either.

Tony waits for Heather at her house, breaking the news that she shot a hit man. He tells her they might have to put her under protective custody. He wants to know what she saw in Tolan. She claims father complex.

The next day, Fornell brings in the cases Tolan supervised in the last five years. Police found an abandoned stolen car near Heather's house and it's in the lab. Fornell has been able to confirm Tolan didn't leave on FBI business.

Ron the PR guy brings in his handiwork, a giant cut out of Tony with a cheese-eating grin, holding up a badge.

Gibbs goes to check on the car. They found surveillance photos of Heather – she was the target. When McGee calls her, she turns off her cell phone.

They track her to Howard rehab center.

Gibbs tells Fornell that Heather was the target, which doesn't explain why Tolan bailed. Tony still thinks they're up to something.

At the rehab center, McGee and Ziva meet Heather's brother Judd, who's in a wheelchair after getting shot in the back. He says he got caught in the crossfire of a drug war in DC. He's paralyzed from the chest down. They caught the guy, Gene Abbott, and he was given immunity for testifying against the gang. Tolan approved his deal and relocation.

Tony busts out a "Body Heat" revenge reference.

McGee has been able to confirm by cell records that Tolan had been to Heather's before. Tony thinks Heather seduced Abbott's new name and identity out of Tolan. They think she plans to kill him.

They think Abbott could have hired the hit man after learning she was after him.

In MTAC, Gibbs goes to talk to Fornell, who has Tolan with him. He tells them Heather used him and he's resigning.

Gibbs and the team go to Abbott's new home on a farm in Maryland. Heather's truck is already there. They find her standing over him in the barn. He has a bomb strapped to his leg.

Gibbs and Ziva go in. There's a motion sensor on the bomb, which has been strapped to him for a couple days, Heather explains.

Taking his time, Gibbs doesn't think they need to call the bomb squad, since Heather is there. Gibbs wants to know if Abbott put out a contract on Heather. He admits it, saying it was self-defense. A neighbor saw her snooping and got her license.

Gibbs tells Heather she doesn't want to ruin her life for Abbott. She gives Gibbs the detonator and then tells them they can remove the bomb themselves – it's fake. She wanted Abbott to feel what her brother does every day.

Gibbs comes home to find Fornell cooking pasta puttanesca. He says he's trying to "curry favor." (Har har.) Abbott was charged with conspiracy to commit – not covered by his immunity. Gibbs isn't inclined to charge Heather and thinks no jury will convict.

The next day, Tony's in work early, waiting to see the final brochure. Ron tells him the director's happy with it. The director wanted the imagine of NCIS to be one of authority. He takes out the picture – it's Gibbs.

Royals & Loyals

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Guest Stars: Daniel Gillies (Royal Marine Major Peter Malloy), Kristen Ariza (CIA Operations Officer Loretta Tennison), Tracy Middendorf (Tara Bick), John T. Woods (Navy Chief Petty Officer Jason Crosby), Peter Holden (Vector Control Worker), Jamie Elman (Realtor), Ron Bottitta (British Royal Marine Captain William Jamison), Chris Jarvis (II) (British Royal Marine Engineer)
Production Code: 166
Summary: The team is involved in an international incident as they investigate the murder of an American petty officer whose body was found aboard a British ship.



A real estate agent is standing in front of a foreclosed bungalow with an exterminator, trying to get the house fixed up. The exterminator zeros in on a hot tub that is full of stagnant water as a major source of mosquitoes, and after testing the water, decides to pump the water out. As the water begins to lower, the body of a Navy officer becomes visible. (Credits).

In the office, Tony is sitting at Ziva's desk, trying to get access to her computer. Ziva walks in and is surprised and suspicious to see Tony at her desk. Tony gives the excuse that he's lost his contact, but Ziva reminds him that he doesn't wear glasses. "Maybe I started!" declares Tony, to which McGee replies, "And maybe you're lying?" Tony tells McGee to "butt out, McThirdWheel," as Ziva quickly zips through her computer, trying to figure out what Tony was doing. She discovers that he was trying to open her email. Tony says that there is no way she could know that, but Ziva tells him that McGee has installed a high-tech security program on her computer. McGee is grinning, and declares, "You got caught - redhanded!" and Ziva shows Tony a photo caught by the webcam of him sitting at her computer. She asks him why he wants to see her mail, and he admits that since she came back from Miami, she's been different, talking to "Miami Heat." She smirks and tells Tony, "He's just a friend. You're jealous!" Tony denies that he is jealous, but piously declares that he "is concerned about our national security." Ziva assures him that "Miami Heat" has a very high security level, to which Tony frowns. "Now you're just trying to make me feel inadequate." Gibbs strides in and says, "No, that's my job, DiNozzo," and tells the team that they have a dead petty officer. Ziva tells Tony that she is riding with Gibbs, and as Tony turns to Tim, McGee smirks, "Now who's the third wheel?" "Shut up!" exclaims Tony, following McGee to deliver a head-smack. McGee adroitly ducks, but as Tony swings, he feels a head-smack of his own, delivered by Gibbs.

At the crime scene, Tony quips, "This tub needs a new filter!" An AFIS scan of the victim's fingerprints show that he is Petty Officer 1st Class Edward Bick, stationed in Norfolk, assigned to the U.S.S. Lockwood. Gibbs laconically orders, "Fish 'em out." McGee is reluctant, pointing out that the hot tub could be considered a HAZMAT situation, and that he's red-tagged it as evidence for the mosquito larvae, and . . . Gibbs is unimpressed: "Get in the hot tub, Tim." McGee unenthusiastically prepares to follow orders, as Tony gets in a crack: "'Get in the hot tub, Tim' – I guess you've never heard that before, huh?" As McGee pulls on boots, he tells Tony that he used to study in the Jacuzzi on the roof of his dorm at school. Tony is unsurprised that McGee would use a hot tub to study. As McGee gingerly steps into the tub, he realizes that he is going to be raising the level of the water and it will go over into his boots, and points out the displacement problem. Gibbs is unsympathetic. "Swim, Tim." As McGee makes his way over to the body, the team winces in sympathy, and Tony quips that it reminds him of the "I Love Lucy" episode where they are squishing grapes in a large tub. He and Palmer laugh, but quickly quiet as Gibbs stares them down. They hurry to help pull the body from the tub. Ducky is unable to determine a time of death because the body has been in the water too long, and tells Gibbs they won't know a cause of death until he gets him back to Autopsy. Palmer notes that the body has a "through and through" (bullet exit wounds) and Ziva finds part of a round in a board, which indicates the approximate location of the shooter. No brass, so either the shooter retrieved their brass, or used a revolver. Ducky, as he examines the body, suggests that perhaps he died by drowning elsewhere. Palmer is puzzled: why shoot a dead man? Ducky then discovers that the victim's abdomen has been slit open, along with his stomach, and surmises that someone was looking for something in the sailor's stomach. Palmer is curious why they would bother zipping the victim's jacket back up, but Ziva offers that it probably made the body less messy to transport. It's a puzzle.

In the office, they review Bick's file, who was born in Concord, CA, assigned to the U.S.S. Lockwood, two tours in Afghanistan in the medical supply corps. Excellent service record, married to his high school sweetheart, Tara Bick. Tony quips, "She was a cheerleader. He was her 'tight end.'" Gibbs tells Tony and Ziva to interview the wife, but both start to protest being teamed together. Gibbs cuts them off and sends them on their way, and McGee starts to track Bick's last movements.

Tara Bick is standing in the driveway, crying softly, telling Tony and Ziva that she and Bick were going to be starting a family. As they are talking, a car wheels into the driveway and a man wearing a Navy working uniform jumps out and dashes up to Tara, telling her that he jumped in the car as soon as he heard. "Jason!" she sobs, hugging him. He whispers that he is so sorry, and Tara introduces him to Tony and Ziva. He explains that he and Ed were stationed on the Lockwood together and they were "tight." He adds, "I knew something like this would happen," and goes on to explain that Ed had been acting nervous, really out of character. "Eddie was fearless," adds Tara. "Tell them!" Jason tells her that he can't, and Tara tells Tony that Eddie had been selected for a special duty assignment. "On the Lockwood?" asks Tony, but Jason says no, Eddie hadn't been on the Lockwood in two months. Tony is confused, because the duty roster shows that Bick signed in every day. Jason is skeptical: "Yeah? Well, don't believe everything you read," and goes on to speculate that whatever secret assignment Eddie was on, it probably got him killed. Tara adds that Eddie felt like he was being watched, and describes a noise that she heard outside her house three nights before, and found Eddie peeking out the windows, telling her that someone was watching the house. Ziva asks if she saw anyone, and Tara says no, but that she did hear a car drive off.

In Autopsy, Ducky tells Gibbs that Bick did, indeed, die by violent drowning, but not in the tub, due to the lack of algae in his lungs. He is still puzzled by the shooting of the body, though. Gibbs wanders over and, watching Palmer carefully slice off pieces of a lung, asks him what he is doing. Palmer tells him that Ducky noticed an irritation in the lining of the lung, and is taking samples to test for an allergic reaction. Ducky also shows Gibbs an indentation in the victim's head, caused by some sort of metal object. Spying something in the victim's mouth, Ducky extracts a small piece of paper – part of a \$100 bill. But no money was found in his digestive tract, which adds to the puzzle.

In the lab, as Gibbs enters, Abby calls out frantically, "Gibbs, Gibbs!" Rushing into her office, he finds her on the floor, hunched over – she has a charley horse cramp in her leg. As he helps her up and massages her leg to ease the cramp, she begins to explain that she was on the floor because of a documentary on a contortionist she had watched the night before. Impatiently,

Gibbs drags her chair to her computer keyboard and redirects her attention to the computer screen. She explains that the two bullet fragments were the same bullet, and shows how they had split apart. She then identifies the gun that was found, a Webley 38, a rare gun that is no longer made. The water in Bick's lungs showed high levels of marine fuel and lubricant used on Navy vessels, as well as oil dispersants. She confirms that both salt and fresh water was in his lungs, and tells Gibbs that wherever Bick drowned, it had both salt and fresh water – or at least condensation. She then goes on to identify the rust and substance found in the head wound as a cleanser used only on marine craft, and is not American-made. Gibbs hands her a well-earned Caff-Pow and runs out as she assures him that she is still trying to identify a possible weapon.

In the office, Ziva is flipping through a file drawer, and Tony is on the computer. "Apologize," she demands, suddenly, and Tony, not looking up, asks "What for?" "For being you," huffs Ziva. Tony, still intent on his computer screen, quips, "Sweetheart, if I had a dollar for every time I had done that, I'd be loaded." Ziva slams the file draw shut and turns to confront Tony. "You could have just asked to see my email," she informs him, but Tony, still looking down, retorts, unsmiling, "You knew I was curious – you could have just told me." Gibbs comes in and declares that someone better tell him something. Tony puts up . . . a blank screen. "We have nothing, Boss," sighs Tony, and McGee explains that Bick was working on a classified Navy project with the CIA, which NCIS hasn't been read into. Tony tells Gibbs that SecNav is going to have to give them access, and as Gibbs turns away, Abby races in, computer touchpad in hand, and explains that she has identified what hit Bick in the head, a particular steam control valve, made by Barrish Industries, out of Liverpool, who makes fittings for the British Royal Navy. McGee quickly finds that the only British Royal Navy vessel currently in Norfolk is the H.M.S. Sparrowhawk. Ziva and Tony realize that the murder probably happened on a British vessel – which is technically British soil. Tony wonders, "Do we even have the authority to investigate this, Boss?"

In Vance's office, Vance introduces Gibbs to Major Malloy, a handsome, young British Royal Marine. Gibbs shakes hands, and Vance explains that Malloy is the liaison between the U.S. and British navies while their ships are in American port. Gibbs is unimpressed and cuts to the meat of the issue: "We need access to your ship." Malloy glances at Vance, who confirms that he has already requested permission for NCIS to board the Sparrowhawk, however, Malloy adds that unfortunately, the Sparrowhawk's orders are to sail at 11:00. Gibbs points out that the ship is probably a crime scene, but when Malloy apologizes, Gibbs interrupts and points out that the Sparrowhawk entered the U.S. under the Status of Forces Agreement, which Vance confirms gives NCIS the authority to investigate a crime aboard a British ship in U.S. waters. Malloy adds a caveat, "With one exception: if the mission of the ship is deemed of a critical nature and cannot be disrupted. I'm terribly sorry, gentlemen," he adds, smiling, "but I'm afraid Her Majesty's vessel will be leaving in two hours." Gibbs and Vance exchange a long look, and as Gibbs turns to leave, he tells Malloy, "Good luck getting out of port," as he walks out the door. Malloy is offended, "Excuse me?" he exclaims, but Gibbs turns on his heel and storms back into the office. "You're sailing off with MY crime scene," he declares. Vance warns Gibbs, softly, "Gibbs . . ." as Malloy, affronted, declares, "You Yanks really are like John Wayne, aren't you?" Gibbs corrects him: "Gary Cooper!" Malloy instantly picks up the reference: "Sergeant York? Of course, how silly of me," he says mockingly. "You know, I heard you were a former Marine, Gibbs," he continues. "Always," corrects Gibbs, but Malloy goes on to point out that the U.S. Marines were modeled after their British counterparts and that they are allies. Gibbs is unimpressed, "Well, then, you better start acting like one," and explains that he's got a murderer on his hands, and he may be on Malloy's ship. Vance breaks the deadlock by calling SecNav, "before the two of you get into a saber duel in the parking lot."

Malloy follows Gibbs onto the floor, looking around and commenting, in very upper-crust British, "Charming facility." He spots Ziva and asks Gibbs if this is his team. Gibbs sighs and tosses out, "Everybody, this is Peter Malloy, Major, British Royal Marines." Ziva rises and, with a big smile, introduces herself as "Probationary Agent Ziva David," and Malloy correctly guesses, with great charm, that from her accent that she is from Tel Aviv and the Haifa coast. Impressed, Ziva confirms his guess, and returns one of her own, "North London?" which he confirms. Tony, stern-faced, comes up and introduces himself and receives a "Pleasure's all mine, mate," as Malloy comments that his brother's name is also Anthony and was best man at his wedding, "a previous marriage, of course," he adds in an aside directed at Ziva, who smiles and murmurs,

"Of course." McGee introduces himself, and Malloy half-jokingly declares that "Oh, an Irishman. Well, I promise not to hold that against you," which leaves the team speechless. Gibbs has had enough: "Are we through with our tea and crumpets? Malloy – beat it," he says, shooing Malloy away, but Vance interrupts that SecNav has granted NCIS permission to board the Sparrowhawk. Malloy says that he has to clear it with fleet command in London, and Gibbs snaps, "As long as it doesn't take any time!" Vance, seeing the hostility, declares Ziva to be "Switzerland", between the "U.S." and "England", nodding to Malloy and Gibbs. Tony interrupts to tell Gibbs that Abby needs to see him, leaving Malloy and Ziva smiling at each other uneasily.

In the lab, in front of a curtained off contraption, Abby shows Gibbs that the scrap of the \$100 bill is coated in an ultraviolet florescent powder that would rub off on anyone touching it, and can only be seen under a black light. Abby ran the black light on Bick's stomach, and found that there was at least one \$100 bill there at one point. She then tells Gibbs that the coating is also emitting a radio signal of some sort, detectable by a short-wave radio, and points out that if they knew the frequency, they would be able to track this cash – and anyone who touched it – for miles. However, there isn't enough in the sample to track, and when Gibbs wonders how to find it, Abby tells him that the CIA uses it as a tracking device.

At the Norfolk shipyard, Gibbs introduces himself to the Norfolk CIA agent, Miss Tennison, and asks her if she can identify the picture of Bick. She says no, and when he tells her his name is Bick, he was murdered, and that they think he was working with the CIA in Norfolk, she reminds him that the CIA doesn't work domestically. Gibbs emits a short laugh. "Really? What's all this, then?" he asks, gesturing at the busyness around them. Miss Tennison tells him that they are staging for an overseas operation. He asks if Bick worked for her, and she gives him the party line again, firmly, that they do not have operations inside the US, and if he was murdered, she has no knowledge of it. Gibbs shows her piece of the tagged \$100 bill, and tells her that he thinks it was CIA money, and that whoever stole the CIA money, killed Bick. Tennison admits that there was an operation to deliver cash to warlords and tribal leaders in Helmand Province in Afghanistan, and points out that Helmund is under British control, but the mission was scrubbed the week before and the money never made it on the ship, so it is unlikely that Bick was killed for the cash. Tennison walks away as Gibbs receives a phone call from Tony: Malloy is at NATO headquarters, trying to obtain permission to set sail.

At NATO, Tony is scrutinizing Ziva until Ziva demands, "What?!" He smirks, "Oh, I'm just watching the pheromones oozing from your body." She glances down at her clothes and declares that she sees nothing, and Tony says, "That's because they are invisible. It's just a musky scent given off to attract the opposite sex," he continues, half-accusingly. Ziva declares that he is being ridiculous, but Tony maintains that it's true: "First your Miami Vice, and now your Prince Albert In A Can." He laughs. "Oh, they can't help it – you're just a walking Israeli love machine." Ziva spots Malloy hurrying over and observes that Malloy is charming, and Tony wonders, "What is it with chicks and Brits – Jagger, Bono, Beatles, Bond . . .?" Ziva misses the cultural reference and assures Tony that she is not into bondage before she greets Malloy. Malloy tells them Fleet Command have just requested that they leave immediately. Sarcastically, he adds, "Tell your Agent Gibbs that I AM sorry." As he walks away, Tony nods at Ziva, who hurries to intercept Malloy. Seductively, she asks, "Well, it takes a few minutes for a big ship to get underway. Couldn't we just have a quickie?" Malloy is stunned, and Tony grins at the pole-axed reaction.

On board the Sparrowhawk, Ziva and Tony enter the engine compartment, looking for the fitting. Tony complains that it is like looking for a needle in a haystack, and Ziva is confused: "Why would anyone leave a needle in a stack of hay, anyway?" Using the ship plans provided by Abby, they enter a room with standing water from dripping condensation. Spying the fitting, Tony photographs it quickly, but Malloy enters behind them, declaring that their departure has been moved up and they will have to leave. "What about our quickie?" asks Ziva, but Malloy, unsmiling, responds that a weather alert demands that they leave immediately. Tony tells Malloy that they have just found the crime scene, but Malloy is unsympathetic. "That's a pity. My men will have to deal with it from our end." Tony points that he has his orders, and Ziva asks what happens if they stay on board. Malloy points out that twelve miles out to sea, they are in international waters, where their jurisdiction ends. As Tony begins to call Gibbs, an alarm goes off. Malloy catches a passing sailor and asks what the trouble is, and is told that one of the turbines is malfunctioning. As they proceed down the corridor, Gibbs pops out through a hatch and observes, "Something wrong? It's a big ship – anything can go wrong . . ." Malloy storms off,

Tony shows Gibbs the photo and Gibbs tells him to hurry back and gather more evidence. Tony observes it's lucky that the turbine is malfunctioning, and Gibbs tells Tony, "There's no such thing as luck," as he holds up a heavy-duty wrench with a mischievous grin.

Malloy and Gibbs confront each other and Gibbs demands to know if Malloy is accusing him of something. "Yes, sabotage!" declares Malloy, and Gibbs protests that that is a serious accusation. As they stare each other down, the captain comes up and says that it was a minor repair, the ship will be under sail in ten minutes, and for Gibbs to remove his people. Back in the engineering compartment, Tony and Ziva are splashing around looking for anything that might be a clue. As the engines roar to life, Tony takes a small black light out of his pocket and lights up the space, where the signs of the tagging powder are very visible. "Money talks," he observes, and takes a black-light photo.

Gibbs confronts Tennison again with the black-light photo and tells her that she lied to him, the money was on the ship. She disagrees strongly, confirming that the last mission was scrubbed but that the ship had been used before to track to targets they might want to eliminate – but not this time. Gibbs points out that the Sparrowhawk have never been to the Middle East. Tennison is exasperated: "We are the CIA, Agent Gibbs – we don't leave paper trails!" Gibbs tells Tennison that Bick swallowed the money just before he died just to prove that it was there. Tennison pulls Gibbs aside and tells him that she worked with Bick and that she liked him a lot. "You've got a funny way of showing it, babe," he tells her. She goes on to tell Gibbs that only three people knew about it – Bick, who was on board guarding it, herself, who just lost \$3 million, and the "limey bastard who was in charge of coordinating the helicopter money drops to Helmund Province." "Malloy?" guesses Gibbs, which Tennison confirms it.

McGee calls Gibbs and tells him that he has surveillance tapes from the east gate of the Norfolk shipyard, and has found Malloy's car leaving the gate about 20 minutes after Bick was murdered. Gibbs asks for phone records, and McGee finds that Malloy made a phone call from his cell less than a quarter of a mile from where the body was dumped. Gibbs tells McGee to send Tony and Ziva to pick Malloy up, and when McGee asks if Malloy's already set sail, Gibbs tells him to get a helicopter, because the ship is still in American waters.

In Interrogation, Malloy is dipping a tea bag into a cup of hot water and observing that it's no wonder that American tea all tastes like paper. Gibbs carefully takes the cup away and leaves Malloy dangling a tea bag over the table, and helpfully provides a cup lid for him to dispose of the tea bag. Gibbs tells Malloy that Bick was there to guard \$3 million in marked CIA money. Malloy shrugs and says that he is just a liaison officer who coordinates between Royal Navy, American and NATO forces. Gibbs asks him where the money is, and Malloy says that he has no idea. Gibbs shows him a picture of the Webley gun, and asks if he owns one. Malloy tells him that it is in his flat in London, and Gibbs whips out a photo of the building, along with an official-looking letter: "Ah, yes – the flat that is in foreclosure?" Malloy claims that he had some poor investments in Greece. Gibbs points out that it's a good plan, stealing money from a CIA slush fund that they would not report as missing. Malloy observes that it's an interesting conjecture, but Gibbs also brings out the cell phone evidence. Malloy maintains his innocence: "I didn't kill him and I didn't steal the money. So where is the money, Gibbs? Any DNA evidence?" He then demands to speak to the British consulate. Gibbs doesn't respond as he gathers the photos together into a neat pile. Malloy tells him that he has to press charges or else let him go, because he has no right to keep him. Gibbs merely smiles, and carefully picks up the coffee cup and the lid containing the tea bag.

In Abby's lab, Gibbs demands, "Talk to me, Abbs." Abby observes that "someone took a bite out of the crabapple tree today!" and tells Gibbs that she can't identify what caused the allergic reaction in Bick's lungs. She then tells Gibbs that she got Malloy's fingerprint from the teabag label, and ran it against British Navy databases, but found no matches – he is not a British naval officer. Further investigation shows, however, that Malloy is really Elston Harkin, a British secret service agent with MI-6.

Gibbs enters the office and demands to know where Malloy is, and Tony tells him that he walked out a while ago with a rep from the British consulate. Gibbs tells McGee to track the cell phone, but Malloy/Harkin has turned it off. He does a check, however, and discovers that numerous phone calls have originated from a hotel in D.C. called The Drake. Ziva and Tony follow Gibbs to the elevator, as McGee calls out that Malloy is in Room 238.

At the hotel, no one is there but a sweep of the room reveals traces of the tracking powder.

The money had been there, but is gone, along with Malloy.

Back at the office, massive alerts and a full-out search has begun to find Malloy, including a watch at the British embassy and consulate. Gibbs has nothing to add: "Good work." Tony mutters, "He complimented us. That's never a good sign." Vance confronts Gibbs and tells him congratulations, he's managed to annoy both his own government and one of their strongest allies. Gibbs is unimpressed, and tells Vance to call the CIA and tell them to track their money, but Vance tells Gibbs that Tennison has already complained about Gibbs, and points out that the CIA has no desire for the case to be solved and thus reveal what the CIA was doing. Ziva drily comments that paying criminals in the Middle East is hardly a state secret, but Vance points out that the cash was meant for people that the U.S. isn't supposed to be doing business with. Gibbs is annoyed: "Then let's get out of business with them and solve this case!" Vance argues that the CIA brought down the Taliban in 8 weeks in 2002, and deserves a little leeway. Gibbs reaches for the phone and starts dialing, while instructing Ziva to call a British consulate worker. The team is stunned when Vance hangs up Gibbs' phone, tells him, sternly, "You've done enough," and warns him to cool off before this becomes an international incident. Vance leaves, but Gibbs, quietly furious, bangs open his desk drawer and pulls out his gun. As he leaves, he tersely tells the team, "Find him."

At his house, Gibbs walks into the darkened living room, but stops suddenly. Malloy is seated casually on the living room sofa and, holding a beer bottle, observes that the label on the bottle says beer, but that it tastes more like "horse excrement." Gibbs grabs another beer out of the fridge and sits down, observing, "MI-6 knows my address – I'm flattered." Malloy tells Gibbs that he needs his help, to which Gibbs replies, "I'm not a lawyer." Malloy says that it's not Gibbs' law that he has trouble with, and then asks for pretzels. Gibbs deliberately removes his watch and sets it on the table, followed by his gun. Grimly, he tells Malloy, "You have ten seconds until I accidentally shoot you for trespassing." Malloy tells Gibbs that he has been set up. "I thought our MI-6 was good, but your CIA is very impressive." Malloy pulls out a wad of bills and lays them on the coffee table. "That's \$10,000. It's for the beer. Keep the change." Gibbs gives him a level look, and then pulls a large metal nut from his pocket, taken from the Sparrowhawk. "And that's for the ship," he replies. Malloy tells him that there should be enough currency there for them to track the CIA frequency and lead them to the rest of the money, and to the person who is responsible. "What's in it for me?" asks Gibbs. "You get your killer," responds Malloy. But Gibbs is unconvinced. "What's in it for you?" "I don't get killed," Malloy replies succinctly.

Gibbs walks in and Tony tells him that a man fitting Malloy's description just bought a ticket to Glasgow. Malloy, coming out from behind Gibbs, says mildly, "It wasn't me," startling the team. Ziva exclaims, "Gibbs! Where did you find him?" and Gibbs explains that he didn't – Malloy found him. Gibbs pulls Malloy over and shoves him next to Ziva's desk and instructs her, "You watch him. You watch him like Syria, not Switzerland!" and hurries to Abby's lab as Tony and Ziva eye Malloy. Tony asks him, "So – you're a British person? Do you like Peter Sellers?" Malloy agrees that he does, and Tony asks him, "What's his best movie?" and Malloy, impatiently, answers "Strangelove." "Kubrick," muses Tony, "that's good. But that's not his best. That would be 'Being There'". Malloy, relaxing, counters with "Nice. Do you like 'What's New, Pussycat'?" Tony agrees that Sellers was terrific in that, and then asks Malloy if he likes Dudley Moore, to which Malloy admits that he prefers his earlier work with Peter Cook. Tony enthusiastically jumps up and exclaims, "Peter Cook?! Nobody knows about Peter Cook anymore! 'Beyond the Fringe'?" Malloy and Tony settle into an amicable discussion on films.

In the lab, Abby is waxing rhapsodic over her new electron microscope that she has named Ken. Explaining that pollen has its own particular DNA, has discovered a particular kind of pollen in Bick's lungs that is only found at Diego Garcia AFB in the Indian Ocean. Since Bick has never been to Diego Garcia, he must have been in close contact with someone who had, because pollen is almost impossible to get rid of and clings to clothing, etc. for a long time. Gibbs is delighted and Abby has earned a bear hug before he sprints off.

McGee is pulling up a map of Diego Garcia, and they spot an unidentified building from the satellite photos. McGee tells Gibbs that it is a Level 3 security facility, not on the basic facility map. A little more digging shows that the building is the CIA station. Gibbs wants to know who the most recent station chief at Diego Garcia was, and when McGee hesitates, reminding Gibbs that he would have to hack into the CIA computer, Vance comes up quietly behind Gibbs and says, "Do it, McGee," they discover that the most recent chief was Loretta Tennison. "I'll

be damned," says Vance, and Gibbs says, "Time to go above her head, Leon," and Vance grimly agrees: "I'll be happy to."

In MTAC, McGee has hacked into the CIA computer, where the tracking software has been activated to track the money. They watch a map rendition of the tracking process, and discover that the money has been spent all over D.C. Vance wonders how she spent it in so many places, and Gibbs tells him, "She didn't – the Royal Navy did," and gets a manifest for the Sparrowhawk. McGee notes that over \$1 million in cash was on the ship, payroll while they were at sea, since U.S. money is accepted at every port. Apparently, the CIA money was swapped with the ship's clean money – money laundering. Vance notes that Malloy did have access, so it's hard to be sure he wasn't involved with it, but that she probably still has the remaining \$2 to switch with another ship. They begin to track Tennison's whereabouts. She has requisitioned a helicopter to intercept the U.S.S. Tripoli, and exchanged numerous phone calls with a Lt. Malcolm Dufresne onboard, who works in the ship's disbursement office. They note the time of her departure and arrival, and hurry off to intercept her.

At night, a helicopter is on approach to a ship at sea. Tennison steps onto the ship, carrying a large aluminum briefcase. She enters an office and addresses the sailor at the desk with his back to her: "Lt. Dufresne, I'm sorry I'm late." To her shock, Malloy turns to greet her: "I assume you'll want that in small bills?" he asks, mockingly. She is flustered, and pulls out a Webley gun. Malloy notices that it's an English gun, and accuses her of killing the sailor. She says, meaningfully cocking the pistol, that she killed Bick because he tried to stop her. "Don't make the same mistake he did." Malloy tells her that she is the one that just made a mistake, and Gibbs enters the compartment, places the barrel of his gun in the middle of her back, and tells her that she's under arrest. Ziva confiscates the gun as Tennison declares that the money had been going to drug smugglers and opium growers. "Do you think it really matters whose side we're on?" she demands of Gibbs, "I was probably saving lives by keeping the money!" Gibbs tells her, softly, "You didn't save Bicks." Tony takes Tennison away.

At the office, Ziva begins an email as Tony is leaving. Curious, he asks, "Emailing Senor South Beach?" "Perhaps," says Ziva, attention on the email. Tony jerks his chin and, with a bright smile, declares, "Well, I'm glad there's someone out there that makes you smile." Not looking up, Ziva chuckles and agrees, "Yes, there is!" Tony tries again: "Maybe I can meet him some day?" "Maybe," Ziva agrees, "one day." She hits send and the email is on its way. (The email reads "Dearest (), This week was unusually tough () thinking of you often. Now before your thoughts go to THAT place, ()you a secret has not been easy. There are people here I care () curiosity comes from a desire to protect me. Imagine anyone wanting to protect me from you . I hope you are safe and your assignment was successful. Write me when you are ()" Ziva begins to gather her things and when Tony, dying of curiosity, asks if she has a big date that night, and she says no, she is going home. Suddenly, she turns to him and says, "Tony, I have a question." "Shoot," he says eagerly. "If – and when – you meet my friend – and I emphasize 'if' – what will you say?" She regards Tony speculatively, and he eyes her warily before he laughs a little and answers: "'Be careful. Handle with care,'" and, with a slow smile, he finishes: "Contents – priceless." Ziva flashes him a smile and bids Tony goodnight, and with a grimace, he stays behind, "forgot my keys." As the elevator closes behind her, he casually strolls to her desk and then quickly tries to log on to her computer. A siren sounds, with flashing red letters declaring "SECURITY BREACH DETECTED." Frantically, he tries to turn the alarm off – with no success.

Dead Air

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Summary: The team investigates the death of a radio DJ and a Naval Officer who were both killed live on air, and their job becomes more difficult by the discovery of various suspects.



Talk show host Adam Gator hosts Major Walter Daniels. Someone listens to the show and drives to the studio. They take a rifle out of the back of their car and go in the studio shooting. The radio broadcasts the host begging for his life, followed by shots.

Tony and McGee rave about baseball as the American pastime. Ziva doesn't really get it. Gibbs comes in to announce

the three dead bodies of the week. At the station, the producer Vincent Clark, host and guest are all dead. Daniels is a special duty officer in the office of public affairs. He was there to talk about foreign military policy. Duckie calls Gator a "smart aleck" host. The host was shot three times, the other one each. Tony plays a tape from Gator introducing a call from someone making the next threat to national security – right before he was shot. Back at the office, they talk to Adam's wife, who says some half-assed extremist group who claimed to have a bomb was trying to recruit him. She says he was a patriot and would have called the police if he thought they were serious. She gives them his mail and his taped phone calls.

In the lab, Abby explains how she used acoustics to ID the rifle as a Remington hunting rifle.

McGee finds a letter with Benjamin Franklin's cartoon on it from a Matt L., sent to a post office box with no return address. He searches the postal system's database.

In the morgue, Duckie tells Gibbs there were traces of deer urine on the bullets.

Tony and McGee talk to Matt L., the postal carrier. He has proof he was elsewhere on a delivery when Gator was shot.

In the lab, Abby plays a tape from Gator's cell phone of Gator calling a man from a group called MAH "domestic terrorists" and telling him he's going to expose them on the air the next day. She traces the call to a fancy housing development called Royal Woods.

Tony says MAH comes from the slogan "Military at Home," meaning we should protect the homeland first. There are 35 houses in the development outside Arlington. They want to get voice samples from all the men who live there.

Tony goes door to door in Royal Woods, introducing himself as someone looking at buying a house there. One guy is in a hurry to leave and Tony stops him at his car.

Abby IDs the voice match, it's the car guy, Arthur Haskell, an investment banker. Abby finds that his wife was killed in a home invasion by a drug addict with a gun. Arthur and his 16 year old daughter witnessed the murder.

McGee finds a mention of a gift for Arthur's wife in his online calendar, which he figures is code since she's dead. He was emailing Dieter, a meth cooker from South Africa who makes explosives. They find Arthur is meeting with Dieter in two hours.

At the meet, Ziva tells McGee to go ahead and erase the last five years of her file. Tony and Gibbs stop Dieter as he pulls up. Ziva meets with Arthur, telling him Dieter is out of business. She introduces herself as Ziva David, Dieter's competition. She's herself from five years ago, assassin and rogue Mossad agent.

Arthur says he'll talk to her after he makes a few calls.

Tony interviews Dieter at NCIS, suppressing his cough. He loses his voice before the interview gets going. Gibbs steps in. Dieter tells him Arthur hired him to make explosives undetectable by dogs. He says Arthur has them already, but they don't detonate under 400 degrees Celsius. Arthur still needs the detonator.

Duckie checks out Tony and says he'll be fine, but shouldn't talk for 24 hours.

Ziva stops by Arthur's house. He opens up the deep freezer in his garage and shows her the bomb. She asks what the target is, but he asks how to pay her. Then he takes her out to the party – a backyard barbecue. Arthur's daughter Kristin yells at him for missing her soccer game. Ziva introduces herself to the neighbors, including Matt the mailman and Annie Nelson and her husband Zach. They ask how long she's been part of the cause. The rail about the government spending money overseas instead of on drugs and illiteracy and crime fighting back home.

At the office, McGee reports that Haskell is draining money from work accounts to funnel it through the Middle East to pay Ziva. The money has been raid flagged by Homeland Security – they're stealing money from Al Qaida.

The team raids the house – but they're too late. They fight Haskell bleeding and unconscious in his garage and the bomb is gone.

At the office, Ziva reports that Haskell has a concussion and just woke up. Kristin won't talk to him. Gibbs tells Ziva to talk to her. She says her dad took her to soccer practice the morning of the radio station shooting, but she says he should go to jail if he was working with terrorists. Kirsten mentions that her dad took a hunting trip last year with Zach Nelson. Cut to Gibbs bringing a rifle and deer urine into the interview room with Zach. McGee reports the bullet and pee match those at the station. But he claims not to know anything about Arthur being attacked. As they're cuffing Zach, Tony picks up the "pee" and swigs it down – chamomile tea. They hadn't searched his house yet - but will now.

Gibbs sits down with Arthur with Kristin watching from the observation room. Arthur says Matt the mailman beat him up because he and Zach got tired of waiting. He wanted to destroy the tower at Norfolk navy base as a symbol. Arthur says Matt was supposed to get the explosives on base in his mail truck.

McGee tells Gibbs that Matt called in sick but is scheduled to officiate a girl's softball game that afternoon. They check the roster – daughters of judges, senators or other high profile people.

At the softball diamond, Gibbs and the team pull up on Matt getting into his car. He wishes them luck finding the bomb. Ziva notices the gas grill has a lot of tanks on it. They yell at everyone to leave and Ziva sees the grill is chained shut. Ziva sees it's off the temperature scale, she runs away from it, tackling Tony to safety. He enjoys that she lands on top of him. Everyone is fine.

Later, Ziva doesn't understand why Matt would plant a bomb then stay to officiate the game. They explain it's the lure of baseball. She invites Gibbs to have a catch. Her dad taught her.

Cracked

Season 8
Episode Number: 168
Season Episode: 6

Originally aired: Tuesday October 26, 2010
Writer: Nicole Mirante
Director: Tony Wharmby
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Cote de Pablo (Special Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), David McCallum (Chief M.E. Ducky Mallard), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance)
Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Erica Piccininni (Navy Lieutenant Clea Thorson), Robin Pearson Rose (Lorrain Thorson), Steven Anderson (Professor Daniel Redner), Raphael Sbarge (Rupert Kritzer), Brennan Elliott (Martin Stillwell), Meredith Monroe (April Ferris)
Production Code: 168
Summary: Abby becomes too fixated to solving the murder of a Naval Scientist, while the rest of the team worries about her. Meanwhile, Tony's newest fling brings trouble.



A woman walks anxiously down the street and into traffic, dodging cars. She doesn't look well and seems to think people are staring at her. She babbles about not letting people find her. At a crosswalk she doesn't wait for the light to change and runs out in front of a bus.

Tony comes in to work talking on the phone to a lady friend, whom he calls "a vixen." Her name is Ethel. They've talked

about role playing in bed – she's keeping her desires a secret until Halloween.

Gibbs arrives to announce the body of the week: a dead Navy lieutenant.

At the scene, the victim is Clea Thorson, a chemical engineer. They heard from witnesses about her mumbling about running from someone.

Duckie arrives and notices scratches on her hands. Palmer looks at them and finds writing all over her arm – what look like scientific formulas. Her other arm is covered, too, as is her torso.

At the office they learn she was a sought after biochemist and worked for Gen 1 Bio Tech Inc in DC, for a man named Martin Stillwell. She was working on a research project until two weeks ago, when she was fired. She was single and her mom is flying in.

She made several recent deposits over \$20,000 recently.

In the morgue, Abby snaps tons of pictures of the victim's formulas. She sees a pattern and goes to work on it.

Duckie shows Gibbs the victim's weird eye color. She was sick and she was in near organ failure from poison that'd been in her system for a while. Duckie is not sure what kind.

Upstairs, McGee plays a video of a man threatening to make Thorson's life "hell" if she leaves him. It's her boss, Martin Stillwell.

Tony and Ziva visit him. He says Clea was brilliant but wasn't a team player. Her research project was about helping the Navy go green, getting naval bases off the grid by 2020. They're joined by April Ferris, an engineer who worked with Clea for five years. Stillwell ends the interview.

Back at the office, Gibbs talks to Clea's mom. She says Clea was sending her money to keep "in case anything happened." Clea was bipolar but well-medicated until recently, her mom says.

In the lab, Abby compares the handwriting on each arm and says Clea wrote it herself and was ambidextrous. The writing is pieces of a chemical formula but it's coded. Abby is totally impressed.

She shows Gibbs some coordinates Clea wrote in her elbow.

The team heads to the address. They find pages and pages strung up everywhere with formula on them and the phrase "They're going to kill me" written hundreds of times.

They get Abby out to look it over.

There are security cameras everywhere.

Abby says the writing in the room is the second piece of the formula written on Clea's body. In her journal, Clea wrote that Stillwell was watching her.

Tony finds her medication and suggests maybe Thorson's paranoia was imagined. Abby finds that Thorson's hard drive has been erased remotely.

At the office, Tony recaps the green energy Stillwell's company was working on. There's nothing on the security camera footage except Clea working steadily in the two weeks after she was fired.

Ziva finds references to meetings with a "Mr. K" in Clea's journal.

In the morgue, Abby talks to Clea's dead body, calling her a "kindred spirit." She thinks they thought the same and promises she'll try to figure out what Clea was working on.

Duckie interrupts to make sure Abby is OK. He tells her to go home and get some rest.

In the morning, Abby is in a working frenzy in her lab trying to crack the formula's code. She found mention of Clea's college mentor and thinks they should find him.

Ziva looks at the surveillance footage and finds Clea stuck to a rigid schedule. Tony gets a text from Ethel that freaks him out. She wants him to dress up.

April Ferris comes by with things from Clea's locker. She says Clea wasn't afraid to stand up for herself. Her date book shows meetings with Mr. K, including one today.

Abby and McGee finish up two hours of bus riding around town because it was the path Clea took. McGee gets frustrated so Abby gets on the bus by herself.

Later, she finds Professor Rudner at a university – Clea's mentor. Clea was on her way to visit him when she died. Abby shows him Clea's formula, which he doesn't recognize. Clea mentioned Mr. K to him. He shows her a book they used to read from, Whitman's "Leaves of Grass." He gives it to her.

Ziva and Tony comes back from trying to find Mr. K, but he never showed. The café manager says Clea was there, but by herself. They have footage of Clea sitting in a booth talking to herself.

Abby comes back, all abuzz. She says the professor knew about Mr. K and they have to find him. Gibbs shouts at her to stop. He shows Abby the footage of Clea talking to herself. Abby says none of them understand.

Abby locks herself in her lab.

Gibbs goes to Duckie, who tells her he found tissue under Thorson's fingernails. He shows Gibbs the DNA results.

At Gen 1, Gibbs and Tony approach Stillwell in his car. He stumbles out, dead, looking just like Thorson did.

At the office, they learn Stillwell appears to have been poisoned like Thorson. They wonder if maybe Clea's formula is the key.

Gibbs brings Clea's mom to her workspace with Abby. Her mom cautions Abby not to get too wrapped up in Clea's delusions. She tells Abby to let Clea go.

Back in the lab, Abby reports progress to Gibbs. One of the formulas was for E coli and another was for photosynthesis. She's missing the last piece of the formula. Gibbs looks at the drawing and says it looks like a plant. Abby goes to the book "Leaves" of grass and shakes it. A memory card falls out. Abby looks at it and declares Clea a genius – she discovered a way to make fuel from bacteria, which would revolutionize green energy.

They find Avaxis on the screen. The systems director there is Rupert Kritzer, Mr. K. Gibbs meets with him and he admits he paid Clea under the table.

He worried about Clea's work getting back to Stillwell. He denies killing anyone. Gibbs doesn't believe him. He says Clea's formula just made him \$2 billion and he was hiring her for another project.

In the lab, Duckie says Stillwell's throat was burned from swallowing ethanol with formaldehyde. They trace it to a patent filed by Stillwell's company.

Duckie says Thorson was poisoned by absorbing the poison through her skin over a period of weeks.

They go back to the footage of her workspace and find she's sick after showering.

McGee finds a canister hooked into her water supply.

The team arrives for April Ferris. Gibbs calls her a phony, saying Clea was the real deal. Ziva reads from Clea's journal in which she said she liked April and hoped they could be friends.

April says they have no idea what she had to put up with, people fawned over Clea. Gibbs arrests her.

Back at the office, Tony walks down the hall dressed like Tony from "Saturday Night Fever" in the white suit. He does a passable early John Travolta impression. He resolves to give Ethel what she wants.

In the lab, Abby decorates for Halloween. Gibbs drops by and Abby apologizes. He kisses her head and walks her out. She runs back to get Leaves of Grass.

Broken Arrow

Season 8

Episode Number: 169

Season Episode: 7

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Writer: George Schenck, Frank Cardea
Director: Arvin Brown
Show Stars: Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Cote de Pablo (Special Agent Ziva David), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Chief M.E. Ducky Mallard)
Guest Stars: Robert Wagner (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.), Bruce Boxleitner (Vice Admiral C. Clifford Chase), Cameron Daddo (Dan Mayfield), Kal Weber (Theo Gaston), Samm Levine (NCIS Agent Cashier Fred Seymour), Tamer Hassan (Agah Bayar), Musetta Vander (Julie Merriweather), Toby Meuli (Driver)
Production Code: 169
Summary: The team is surprised when Gibbs asks Tony's father to join them in a murder investigation.



A Naval officer waits for someone, who's late. He calls the person and a phone rings in the distance. He follows it to a Dumpster where he finds the man dead inside.

Ziva comes in to work, super fired up that her US Passport came in the mail. She tries to share her joy with Tony, but he's surly because his dad called at 4:30 a.m. He hasn't called him back.

Gibbs comes in to announce the dead body of the week at the US Naval Academy in Annapolis. On the scene, the boys leave Ziva with Dumpster duty.

The man from the opening is Admiral Chase, he tells Gibbs he was waiting for Woody after getting an early morning call from him. Woody was being cryptic and told him to meet at the place they first met.

He hasn't seen Woody in two or three years. Gibbs asks Chase what his assignment is but Chase won't talk about it in the open. He says he'll be in touch.

Gibbs asks McGee to find out what Chase does at the Pentagon. A bit later, McGee reports that Chase is the deputy director of operations for the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Back at the office, it's learn about the victim time: Woody Iverson retired as a commander from the Navy 18 years ago to join Royce Global Group, a mining and shipping company. Billionaire owner Jonathan Royce hasn't been seen in public since his son died four years ago. His daughter Rachel lives on Long Island.

McGee reports that Iverson flew in from Geneva last night with three other passengers. McGee pauses before saying who they are. He shows the security footage.

Theo Gaston, a Swiss in charge of company security; Dan Mayfield, the COO who runs things; Woody and... Tony's dad.

Tony tries and fails to reach his dad. They track his dad's cell phone to a bus station.

Gibbs meets with Dan Mayfield and Theo Gaston. They were in town for a trade symposium. They don't know where Woody went after the airport. Mayfield says Woody left with Anthony

DiNozzo Sr. Mayfield says DiNozzo and Royce go way back and DiNozzo just hitched a ride on the plane.

Tony finds his dad at the bus station. He tells his dad Woody was killed. Dad is excited to see Ziva again.

Back at NCIS in interrogation, Gibbs comes to talk to Tony Sr., who says he just met Woody at the airport. Tony Sr. says he didn't talk to Woody on the plane and he hasn't seen Royce in years. He played cards the whole way with Mayfield, who invited him to the trade summit to be polite. Tony Sr. takes exception to Gibbs' tone. Tony Sr. says he and Woody shared a cab, but Woody dropped him at the Adams House.

Watching from behind the glass, Tony knows his dad is lying – he never registered at the Adams House.

In Vance's office, Admiral Chase tells the director he's concerned Woody's death might have national security implications. He reports there was chatter among arms dealers about the trade summit. Vance tells Gibbs gaining access will be hard since it's civilian with a strict guest list.

Gibbs leaves abruptly. Downstairs, Tony Sr. is saying good bye and Jr. hustles him out. Gibbs stops him, saying they need him to get them into the reception.

Later, Tony Jr. tells Gibbs using his dad is a bad idea. And he really doesn't want his dad staying with him. Tony Sr. happily reports he booked the penthouse at the Adams House. Gibbs tells Tony Jr. they can expense it.

McGee finds what looks like a phone number with an LA area code in the notepad of Woody's phone.

Abby gets no match from the DNA Duckie found under the victim's fingernails. She broadens the search to international databases.

Abby checks Woody's coat and finds low level radiation. McGee finds the LA number is for a place that does colonics and herbal enemas.

Gibbs visits Tony Sr in the penthouse. He tells Sr. about Jr's concerns about involving him. "I think you're just enough of a con man to pull it off," Gibbs tells him.

Gibbs tells him he can cut the act, he knows he's broke. Sr. knows his son paid his hotel bill and flight to Monaco last year, making it look like a gift. Gibbs asks why all the games. Sr. says he's never lied to Jr.

Back at work, Tony Jr. is put out his dad avoided him for dinner.

McGee reports the LA area code wasn't a phone number. The 310 was the cab number, the seven digits were the DC cab company's number. Since Woody's pockets were rifled through, they wonder if what they were looking for was left in the cab. They're having the cab brought in.

Later, Abby goes over the cab. She finds a metal plaque with a serial number on it, MK 15. It's also mildly radioactive. They Google the serial number and find it belongs to a hydrogen bomb that went missing in 1956, when the plane carrying it disappeared. The bomb is 3.4 megatons, 100 times more powerful than the bomb dropped on Hiroshima.

In Vance's office, they show Admiral Chase the bomb plate. The nuclear material would have been active after years underwater.

Royce's group does a lot of underwater mining, they could have found it.

They don't want to spook Royce's people.

The team game plans for infiltrating the trade summit. Tony's really nervous about involving his dad. He says again it's a bad idea. Gibbs says an NCIS agent is going with him: Ziva.

Fred from accounting comes to tell Gibbs about the huge bill DiNozzo is wracking up.

Tony Jr. checks on his dad at the hotel, where he's being fitted for a new cashmere tuxedo – on NCIS. His dad mixes himself a martini, and Tony realizes his dad thinks he's James Bond.

He reminds his dad his job is just to get Ziva in so she can plant a bug.

Back at the office, Duckie reports Woody was strangled. Ziva has found a law suit filed by Rachel Royce against Dan Mayfield for keeping her dad from her.

Later that night, Tony and McGee watch surveillance .

Tony Sr. and Ziva and her giant spy camera broach enter the party.

In MTAC, they check satellite of Royce's ship in the Mediterranean. They think they're waiting for something big enough to pick the nuke off the ocean floor.

McGee and Tony run facial recognition of the party guests, including several arms dealers. They find Agah Bayar, a Turkish arms dealer on Interpol's watch list.

Bayar recognizes Ziva as Mossad head Eli David's daughter and tells Mayfield she's a federal agent. Bayar tells Mayfield he's interested in his proposition but not in spending the rest of his life in an American prison. He leaves.

Abby tells Gibbs the DNA is Theo Gaston, Royce's head of security. Gibbs radios Tony to get his dad out and tells Ziva to get an eye on Gaston. Tony Sr wants to stay and schmooze, but Ziva hustles him out – smack into Gaston, who recognizes her as Agent David and disables her camera.

Tony and McGee race in, while Ziva takes out Gaston and Tony Sr. punches out Mayfield.

Later, they know Mayfield knew about the bomb. He's claiming he told Gaston to follow Woody, not kill him.

Swiss police found Jonathan Royce comatose on life support in his chalet, kept alive only on Mayfield's orders so he could keep running things.

Fred from accounting shows up again to report Tony Sr. is out of control, running up \$9,000 in expenses. Gibbs tells him to pay it, "he's worth every penny."

Tony Sr. comes to say good-bye sporting his new NCIS cap. He says kissy good byes with Abby and Ziva.

Tony Jr. goes back to the hotel with his dad and works up to asking about his dad being broke. Tony Sr says it's not a big deal, it's happened before. He tells Tony he filed for bankruptcy when Tony was in boarding school and recovered.

Tony Jr. remembers a fishing trip when they were like a normal father and son, but assumes his dad doesn't remember. Dad takes a picture from the trip out of his wallet. Sr. says from now on they'll talk.

Tony's going to take him to the train station, but dad tells him he ran into Donald Trump and is going to hitch a ride home in style.

Enemies Foreign (1)

Season 8
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Season Episode: 8

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Writer: Jesse Stern
Director: Dennis Smith
Show Stars: Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Chief M.E. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee), Cote de Pablo (Special Agent Ziva David)
Recurring Role: Michael Nouri (Mossad Director Eli David)
Guest Stars: Arnold Vosloo (Mossad Officer Amit Hadar), Michael O'Neill (Former NCIS Special Agent Riley McCallister), Catherine Dent (Former NCIS Special Agent Whitney Sharp), T. J. Ramini (Mossad Officer Malachi Ben-Gidon), Sarai Givaty (Mossad Officer Liat Tuvia), Oren Dayan (Karif Yasin), Stan Ivar (Former NCIS Special Agent Ben Robinson), Leslie-Anne Huff (Hillary Lange), Alex Morris (Former NCIS Special Agent Kurt Nelson), Maura Soden (Former NCIS Special Agent Melora Koss)
Production Code: 170
Summary: The team has to protect Ziva's father when he attends the NCIS conference, which has Ziva confronting her past when a couple of unexpected surprises occur.



A young woman scans people's electronics as she walks down the street, grabbing their credit card info. She soon comes out of a store laden with bags – and is immediately stopped by Tony and McGee, who arrest her for espionage and terrorism.

Back at the office, McGee plays with her toy. Hillary Lange, 22, picked two dozen accounts in under an hour. She got

caught because she picked the pocket of someone flagged on the terror watch list.

In Vance's office, he asks Gibbs if they can find the person. He also has three suspected smugglers shot off the coast of Florida, including a Navy officer.

Gibbs thinks Vance seems off. He has a conference with past NCIS agents and directors coming up to review old cases.

Out on the street, Tony watches while Ziva tries use Hillary's device to scan people's wallets and find the watch list person. Ziva doesn't think he'll be in the same spot he was yesterday where Hillary found him.

"Also can't be sure that Gibbs will be swilling coffee when we get back to the office, or you will fumble a simple American expression, or that McGee will sleep alone tonight, but people do tend to follow patterns," Tony points out.

Ziva gets a match. She follows the person she last scanned, a man in a sharp suit. Ziva and Tony follow him down an alley when Ziva feels they're being followed, she turns around and draws on a hot chick following them.

The guy they're following turns out to be Malachi, an Israeli she knows.

"Oh good, the Israelis are back," Tony says.

They spend a few minutes asking what's going on, as Tony meets the hot chick, Liat, and McGee realizes she's Ziva's replacement.

Gibbs arrives.

"Oh hey, boss. We were just having a pretty good time lying to each other, and I think that was about to boil off, actually," Tony says.

Gibbs orders them brought in for being in the country illegally.

Back at NCIS, Ziva escorts Liat to the bathroom. Ziva has studied on her and knows Liat won the marksmanship competition four times – Ziva won it six.

In the morgue, Duckie works on the three bodies from the Gul. The report says the Coast Guard approached, fired a warning and then shots broke out.

The Coast Guard reported another of the victims fired, but Duckie found no gun shot residue on his hands.

In the lab, Abby shows Gibbs the .9 mm and .20 mm slugs from the boat. She found no corresponding GSR – the smugglers never fired. The captain and crew were executed on the boat. The shooter fired at the cutter and went into the water with the crates – which are now empty. There are holes in the crates for breathing.

The crew was killed as a smokescreen and the people in the crates swam the last three miles at night.

Gibbs goes upstairs and asks Malachi and Liat about the three bodies. He wants to know who they were tracking.

Three members of a Palestinian terror network.

Malachi tells them Ziva's father, the head of Mossad, is coming to DC.

Gibbs is stopped outside by Mossad officer Amit Hadar (Arnold Vosloo), who asks to bring Gibbs to meet Eli David.

Cut to a bar, Gibbs having coffee and Eli David having nothing. Eli says he was summoned by Vance to review old case files. Gibbs points out that Eli isn't there for Ziva, he rubs it in. Gibbs says he could have teleconferenced.

He brings up a case in Amsterdam.

Gibbs says they'll provide security.

Malachi, Tony and Ziva review the Palestinian terror dudes, Karif Yasim, Ramsi Ashor and Abasi El Masri, the leader.

Ziva wants to know how the Palestinians knew Eli David was coming. The Mossad agents don't know.

Vance reviews old case files on video conference with past NCIS directors. They reach Leviathan.

Gibbs steps aside with former agent Riley McAlister, who's upset he forgot his flask.

Gibbs tells Vance the bodies from the Gulf were executed at close range. He asks if the Amsterdam case is up yet.

Vance asks about Ziva.

"Her father left her to die in a desert," Gibbs says. But he doesn't think it'll be a problem for Ziva.

Outside the Ambassador Hotel, Ziva and Liat look for points of attack. Tony chats up Malachi, who says it's nothing serious with Liat. Tony assumes that means they haven't slept together. "Of course we are sleeping together, it's just nothing serious," Malachi says.

Liat questions Ziva's loyalties.

In the garage, Ziva briefs Gibbs and they run a scenario in the garage, in which Ziva plays her dad and Gibbs is security. They get two shooters and Gibbs has his eyes on Liat when she shows him how she could have blasted Ziva from multiple angles.

At the office the next day, Tony accuses Ziva of being jealous of Liat. McGee says Hadar used to be in with the PRF and their intel guy was preoccupied with transports down the East Coast. Tony gets a call about a hijacked weapons transport.

Checking in with Vance, he thinks it's connected to the terrorist pursuit. Gibbs asks why Vance hasn't moved the conference. He thinks it's about pride.

In the office, McGee shows Gibbs about the super scary remote weapon that was stolen. Tony thinks he's found the stolen car from the hijacking.

Abby goes over it. In the trunk, he files a rigged refueling system. Their hair samples match the ones in the crates.

Abby tells Ziva she should see her dad. Ziva hasn't spoken to him since he left her for dead.

Gibbs visits Eli David and Hadar. Eli is stir crazy. So Gibbs escorts him on a stroll. McGee and Hadar observe the stroll from a surveillance van. Tony and Ziva watch from a roof. Liat goes to check out a suspicious car nearby. It has stolen plates but is empty. Malachi sees one of the terrorists.

Gibbs shoves Eli to safety and Liat takes out one of the terrorists. A second is about to fire in Gibbs' direction when Ziva grabs him and demands he tell her where the third man is.

Back at NCIS in interrogation, Gibbs talks to the terrorist, who says he won't talk. He says Eli David is awful and Gibbs doesn't disagree, but says he still won't allow murder.

The terrorist vows they'll get Eli.

Upstairs, Eli David is unalarmed, glad the terrorists were drawn out. Vance tells him people expect them to get into it over Amsterdam. Eli says Vance should want to know the truth.

Eli says if El Masri manages to get through or kill him he wouldn't want to go on anyway.

Down in the garage, father and daughter see each other again. He has nothing to say to her, saying he won't beg. He tells her he doesn't have the luxury of letting his feelings dictate his actions.

She thinks he has none.

The next day, the team surveys outside the hotel. McGee checks a laundry van and finds the remote gun inside. Malachi thinks it was too easy.

Ziva drives her dad, Hadar and Vance in and heads for the service entrance.

Walking in the kitchen, Ziva sees something and stops. She tells everyone to get back just when a remote controlled gun starts firing. Everyone hits the deck safely. She and Gibbs deal with the gun as Hadar gets Eli David in the car.

Outside, a man in a hotel employee uniform picks up a rocket launcher and aims at Eli's car. Ziva runs outside and fires at him, knocking him down. He gets back up, wearing a bullet proof vest. He fires as Tony and Ziva shoot again, killing him this time. The rocket goes off, but takes out a parked cab. Eli David's town car drives away.

Tony rushes in to the assembled former NCIS agents and summarizes: "Dead bad guy."

Gibbs radios Hadar, but can't raise him. We see Hadar lying in pile of ash and char, not moving.

"What's happened?" Ziva asks.

Enemies Domestic (2)

Season 8
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Season Episode: 9

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Writer: Jesse Stern
Director: Mark Horowitz
Show Stars: Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Cote de Pablo (Special Agent Ziva David), David McCallum (Chief M.E. Ducky Mallard), Sean Murray (Special Agent Tim McGee)
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Guest Stars: Michael O'Neill (Former NCIS Special Agent Riley McCallister), Catherine Dent (Former NCIS Special Agent Whitney Sharp), T. J. Ramini (Mossad Officer Malachi Ben-Gidon), Sarai Givaty (Mossad Officer Liat Tuvia), Oren Dayan (Karif Yasin), Stan Ivar (Former NCIS Special Agent Ben Robinson), Eric James Ramey (Dr. Nolan Cooper), Tristen McDonald (Nurse Davies), Carolyn Ratteray (Nurse), Arnold Vosloo (Mossad Officer Amit Hadar), Andrew Kirsanov (The Russian)
Production Code: 171
Summary: After an ambush changes the course of the their investigation, the NCIS team has to quickly find answers, and one team member flashes back to their very first NCIS assignment.



Gibbs tries to reach Eli David and Vance on the walkie talkie. Vance comes to on the floor of a blasted-up room and sees people on the floor around him.

Vance hears someone coming and grabs a nearby gun. But it's Gibbs.

Vance has a belly wound. "I can't believe that happened again," he says.

Vance is wheeled into the hospital with serious wounds. We flash back to a young Vance rocking out to Tupac in 1991 at the Naval War College in Rhode Island. He's stopped by Whitney Sharp, from the Naval Investigative Service.

She wants him for an operation.

In the hospital, Vance tells Gibbs to get protective detail for his wife. He tells Gibbs he's in charge. Eli David is missing. McGee points out that everyone from the Palestinian group is dead except for the guy they have in custody. McGee orders the conference relocated to NCIS.

At the crime scene, Ziva bickers with Liat.

Washington, DC, 1991 Whitney trains Leon. She gets him a passport and says he's going to Amsterdam tomorrow. The op is called Trident.

Back at NCIS, all the old agents roam.

The blood trail at the scene indicates Eli David was kidnapped. Karif Yasim, the Palestinian terrorist, is being transferred, but he couldn't have hit the safehouse.

Agent McAlister wanders out, and suggests to Gibbs that just because Eli is missing, it doesn't mean he was kidnapped. It could have been an inside job. He says it wouldn't be the first time Eli tried to kill Vance. He pulls out the Trident file, which is heavily redacted.

1991, Amsterdam

McAlister spies Vance on the street and calls him over. He tells him to try to stick out more to meet "The Russian."

Vance guesses the Russian bribes sailors for intel. McAlister shows Vance a picture of the Russian and tells him he'll find him. McAlister thinks the Cold War is going to fire up again and is the future of intelligence.

A man watches from a café as Vance burns the photo.

At the crime scene, they find the blood drops are spaced to indicate Eli was walking. Liat and Ziva argue over what it means.

List finds writing in sand and quickly brushes it out before calling Tony and Ziva over to see the partial message, which says "house."

Ziva looks at it and knows Liat erased something.

Gibbs talks to Yassim and quickly realizes he had nothing to do with the attack.

Whitney Sharp visits Duckie in the morgue. They have a history.

They're interrupted by Tony and Gibbs. Duckie shows them shrapnel from Hadar and says the blast had an upward trajectory, like an IED.

Back in Amsterdam, Vance struts around at a sailor. The man at the café chats up Vance. It's Eli David, smoking some weed mixed with hash.

Eli asks why a sailor on leave would want to keep his mind sharp. "The Russian will realize you are not what he wants, then his men will kill you," Eli tells him. "Go back to the boat, or you are a dead man."

In Abby's lab, she tells McGee the safe house was booby trapped with mines.

Back in Amsterdam, McAlister briefs Leon on Eli. Leon wonders if Eli knows more about the Russian than they do. McAlister assures him he's not that dangerous, but gives him a gun.

Malachi and Liat search a temple. Ziva interrupts them, asking Liat why she didn't trust her. She calls out for her dad. Liat objects. A girl fight breaks out.

Back in Amsterdam, Leon cruises the red light district. He sees Eli talking to the Russian, telling him the American has orders to kill him.

Back in the temple, Ziva and Liat are krav maga-ing the crap out of each other. Finally, Eli David emerges and tells them to stop.

In NCIS, McGee hacks the interrogation feed so the team and the Mossad agents can watch Gibbs talking to Eli.

Eli says he and Vance are in it together, which is why they organized the conference. He says Eli wasn't told what his real role was in Amsterdam. Eli says he never knew the Russian's name.

In Amsterdam in the middle of the night, Eli visits Leon in his hotel room, telling him the Russian's hit team will be there by morning – because he told him where Leon was staying.

Eli says Leon never forgets anything, which is what saved him. "When we walked in that door, he had seen it before," Eli says.

Back to Amsterdam, with Vance and Eli making IEDs in his hotel room. Eli is fired up because Mossad told him he could kill the Russian's hit team.

Watching the feed, Abby thinks Eli's story means he knew how to build the IED. Malachi thinks Hadar is dead because of NCIS's incompetence.

Tony asks Duckie about Whitney Sharp. He says Vance was an odd choice for her because she had a preference for policemen.

Eli tells Gibbs that Leon got credit for helping eliminate the hit team in Amsterdam and the Russian vanished.

Back in the hotel room, Eli puts a piece of paper in the door and Leon turns on the shower. He watches as the hit team comes in. Eli and Vance take cover.

The door opens. The bombs are under the coffee table. The three man team comes in the room. With the paper out of place in the door, the circuit closes when the door shuts.

Vance wakes up in the hospital. Gibbs tells him Eli thinks the attack was one of theirs. Vance tells Gibbs someone at the conference must know. He tells him the secretary of the Navy signed off on the conference two years ago.

Gibbs reminds Leon of Rule # 9: Never go anywhere without a knife. He gives Vance a knife.

Vance tells Gibbs to go after whoever is responsible, even if they're from the early days of NCIS.

Gibbs interviews Whitney Sharp, asking why she chose Vance for Amsterdam. She said there were inconsistencies in Vance's story that made him easy to goad into the mission. She says McAlister would have protected Vance were it not for Eli. She says The Russian was a hit man, but she only knew about him from McAlister's mission plan. She remembers his name as something like Zurov. Gibbs suggests Anatoly Zukov, but he says he's long gone.

Flash back to years ago in Paris, Gibbs shooting the Russian.

McAlister visits Vance, who tells him he realized something while he was out. He thought he was chosen because he was special, but he now realizes he was chosen because no one would miss him when he got killed. McAlister says it would have been a great tragedy.

Vance says his death would have put McAlister's area of expertise back on the forefront. Instead, forward-thinkers like Jenny Shepherd and him got promoted. "You wanted me dead from day one," Vance says.

1999 Vance confronts McAlister about inconsistencies in his file and thinks McAlister is setting him up for another op. In the hospital, McAlister tells him he was never supposed to succeed. McAlister uses a key to open Vance's morphine drip and turn it all the way up. "For once, can't you just die right?" McAlister says, leaning over Vance.

Lying in his hospital bed, Vance stabs McAlister in the chest. Then he summons the nurse. Gibbs comes in from the hall. He checks that Vance's morphine is stopped.

Back to 1999, Gibbs coming in right after Vance talked to McAlister about his file. They meet. McAlister tells Gibbs about some assignment in Paris and asks if he's ever worked with Jenny Shepherd.

Later, Tony tells the Mossad agents they're sorry about Hadar.

Eli leaves a flag of Israel on his daughter's desk. They have a moment. He kisses her forehead.

False Witness

Season 8

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Season Episode: 10

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Summary: When a Navy petty officer that was supposed to testify in an upcoming murder trial suddenly goes missing, the NCIS team gets help from the deputy district attorney to find the missing witness.



An alarm goes off at 8:00 and a young man wakes up. He wanders out of his bedroom and through a somewhat sterile house, and trips over a bat. He sees some left-over pizza on the coffee table and snags a slice. Opening the front door, he retrieves the newspaper, and is surprised when a DVD with "Play Me" written on it falls out. He pops it into the DVD player, and sees a video of someone walking up to his front door and the door being unlocked by a latex-gloved hand. The intruder walks through the house and seeing the young man lying asleep in bed, he places a knife against his neck. The

young man gasps and grabs his neck in consternation. (Credits)

McGee and Ziva are walking into the office as McGee tells Ziva about a dream he had the night before – Gibbs speaking in an Israeli accent, Ziva sounding like Jimmy Palmer. Ziva is laughing, and as they turn the corner, they see Tony sitting at his desk, busily working. He greets them formally: "Agent McGee. Probationary Agent David. Good morning." McGee and Ziva stare at him a moment, and Ziva murmurs, "It looks like Tony," but McGee disagrees: "It doesn't sound like him – what are you up to, Tony?" Tony tells them he is catching up on old paperwork. Suspicious, Ziva whispers to McGee that she thinks they are being set up for something, and McGee tells her they should ignore him. Playing along, McGee tells Tony that if he's doing old paperwork, maybe he could do his Canadian expense report. To his surprise, Tony hands the completed report to him, with a terse explanation that he got in early and had some time to kill – and, by the way, McGee should sign the Get Well card for Vance. McGee is cautious: "The last time you did my expense report for me, you reclassified my meals as 'livestock feed'." Tony, not looking up, replies, "Well, that was childish." McGee agrees: "I was audited!" Tony calmly replies, "Well,

that makes us even." Gibbs enters, followed by Deputy D.A. Gail Walsh, and tells them that they have a missing petty officer. Ziva is confused – there were no hits on the NCIC. McGee asks if the petty officer has been missing more than 30 days. The missing officer is the young man from the opening credits, Petty Officer Jerry Neisler, and Walsh tells them that he is the only witness in a capital murder trial. As Ziva reviews his file, Tony swoops in, quickly extracts a photo of the petty officer, and makes copies. Without thinking, McGee asks, "Does anyone know where he is?" Gibbs gives him A Look, and McGee quickly realizes, "That's what we're going to find out." Walsh explains that she's bringing in NCIS because her trial starts in two days, and without Neisler, the killer will walk. As they head out, Tony distributes copies of the Neisler's picture. Ziva eyes the picture, and then eyes Tony – his efficiency is unnerving.

At Neisler's house, they photograph the half-eaten pizza slice, the bat, and the DVD (which is empty). Walsh explains that she dropped him off at the safe house six days previously and he was supposed to check in every day. Neisler told her that he planned to go hunting with a friend who was headed back to Afghanistan, but disappear, and except for one gas charge on his credit card, there's been no sign of him. Upon investigation, the friend didn't know anything about the hunting trip. Ziva peers into the refrigerator and sees a dead turkey, still feathered, and comments that he obviously left in a hurry. Gibbs asks Walsh if Neisler's testimony put him at risk and she says that maybe if it were a Mafia trial, but in this case – no. Gibbs is puzzled – everywhere he turns, there's another aluminum bat propped against a counter, a chair, in the guest bedroom. McGee reports that the neighbors didn't know anyone was staying in the house. Tony, surveying the litter of take-out containers on the coffee table, suggests that they survey the local take-out places. "Good idea," says Gibbs, but Tony responds, "It was actually Agent McGee's suggestion." McGee looks at Tony incredulously.

In the bedroom, Walsh is chatting to Ziva: "Gibbs looks like a capable investigator." Ziva smiles and replies, "None better." And – Agent DiNozzo?" Ziva pauses for a moment, and answers, "He is also capable." She continues to photograph the bedroom. "And . . . single?" inquires Walsh. Ziva looks at her in surprise. "Excuse me?" Walsh explains that she noticed that Tony wasn't wearing a ring, and then suddenly apologizes. "Oh, I'm sorry – are you and he . . . ?" Ziva protests vehemently: "No! No! Our relationship is strictly professional – and barely that!" Walsh smiles like a cat with a dish of cream: "Well, then, you wouldn't mind if I . . . ?" Ziva reminds her that they are in the middle of an investigation, and she is in the middle of a trial, but Walsh shrugs and says that "I like to keep my options open. Did you know that the majority of people meet their spouses at work?" Ziva looks at her for a moment and then grimaces, "Not something that I have high hopes for."

Tony and McGee are gazing at the dead turkey in the refrigerator, and Tony says briskly, "OK, let's bag it." McGee is surprised again: "Is that all you're going to say?" Tony, stone-faced, asks, "What else am I supposed to say?" McGee retorts, "Oh, something like, 'What do turkeys eat at Christmas? Nothing, they are already stuffed!'" Tony frowns at McGee, and asks, "Are you feeling alright?" Tony says, with a straight face, "I'm feeling fine, why?" Ziva interrupts and shows them an empty shot-gun case – Neisler has taken his gun with him, wherever he has gone. Gibbs asks to see Walsh's case files, and she agrees readily. Batting her eyes, she asks Tony to accompany her back to her office to retrieve the files, "because they are heavy, and I need someone with strong arms." Gibbs rolls his eyes at the obvious come-on and smiles an aside, and McGee whispers to Ziva, "Goodbye, Mr. Professional!" To their shock, Tony refuses, "No, I better stay here. Agent McGee will help you." Walsh and McGee are taken aback, and Tony walks away, telling Gibbs: "Baseball bats and a shotgun – the petty officer was worried about something." Gibbs watches Tony walk away, and then turns to Ziva, McGee and Walsh – with identical looks of surprise on their face.

Back at the office, Tony and Ziva are giving Gibbs a briefing. Neisler was born and raised in Charlottesville, and served two tours in Iraq before being reassigned to the States. His record is "interesting" – despite good reports from his commanding officers, he was repeatedly transferred. "Doesn't play well with others?" inquires Gibbs, but Walsh disagrees, explaining that Neisler's parents were both psychologists, and he was an only child. "Which means what, exactly?" asks Ziva. Walsh tells her that she'd have to meet him to understand. Tony continues the briefing with a PowerPoint presentation detailing various reasons why Neisler may have lost contact. McGee and Ziva are dumbfounded and intrigued. First reason: Witnesses with a personal relationship to the accused are sometimes reluctant to testify. McGee interrupts. "Yeah – like . . . you know?"

waiting for the movie reference. Tony is silent. "Kinda like Robert DeNiro in 'Sleepers'?" Ziva agrees, but Tony remains silent, and then goes on to cue up "Number Two: Someone is threatening the witness." Walsh objects, and points out that he would have told her if there had been a problem, but Gibbs points out that maybe he can't. Exasperated, Walsh gestures to the files, and tells them that the killer's name is Samuel Hayes. As she explains that Hayes' wife is dead and his daughter is a ward of the state, Tony begins to move the boxes over to his desk, lifting them easily over Walsh's head. Tony and McGee watch with a frown, and Ziva whispers, "OK, this is getting really irritating." "He's making us look bad," McGee agrees, but is interrupted by Gibbs: "McGee, do you have anything?" McGee has nothing, but attempts to add to the list, "Of course, the disappearance may not have anything to do with the trial at all." At Gibbs' disbelieving stare, he trails off, ". . . or it does." Walsh asks Gibbs how he wants to split things up. She offers her resources to track down BOLAs and check hospitals. Gibbs tells her that NCIS will track his previous movements, starting with his hunting trip.

In Autopsy, Ducky and Jimmy are perched at the desk, with a small Christmas tree in the foreground. Ducky is reciting, "Etymology. Archeology. Sociology. Fluviomorphology." and explains to Jimmy that the latter is the study of the formation of river channels. Jimmy is underwhelmed, but Ducky enthusiastically charges ahead: "It's almost as fascinating as hymenopterology. Jimmy stumbles over "hymen", but Ducky explains that it is the study of insects – specifically, those with four diaphanous wings. Jimmy studies the list he is compiling, and then as he flips through numerous pages, tells Ducky that they may have to prune the list down and that Facebook has a limit as to the number of interests. Gibbs, walking in, asks, "Facebook?" Ducky agrees, and Gibbs, thinking for a moment, offers, "That's that thing that some people . . . do stuff with?" Ducky offers, "The term is 'social networking'," and then goes on to explain that if he wants to maintain his proficiency with psychological autopsies, he has to stay current with the latest cultural developments. Gibbs is bored: "How about staying current on this case, Duck?" Ducky deflects the pointed question: "I may be new to social networking, but the Mallards are masters at multi-tasking!" and rises to approach a table. With a flourish, Jimmy removes the cover of the corpse to reveal, among a flurry of feathers – the turkey, neatly autopsied. Unsurprisingly, the turkey died of a gunshot wound to the breast. But Ducky is intrigued by the yellow and tan tail feathers. He goes on to explain that the East Coast turkeys all have brown tail feathers, and that this turkey is a Rio Grande turkey, and are found almost exclusively in Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas ("oh, Mr. Palmer, add ornithology to the list."). Palmer asks the obvious question: "So, where did Petty Officer Neisler get this one?" Ducky suggests a cross-country hunting trip, but Gibbs says that his commanding officer told him not to leave the state before the trial. Ducky suggests that if Gibbs wants to know where Neisler was, then he should figure out where the turkey came from. Jimmy, smiling, can't help himself: "Gobblegobblegobble!" Gibbs stares at him, but Ducky laughs.

In Abby's lab, Gibbs walks in to see Abby doing a somewhat jerky dance. In the background, Scott Joplin's ragtime song Maple Leaf Rag is playing. Abby asks Gibbs to guess what she is doing, and he guesses correctly: "The turkey trot?" She's impressed, and continues dancing, inviting him to join in. He looks at her, and she stops, then mischievously tells him, "Oh, I guess you're here to talk turkey, eh?" Abby tells him that she ran the turkey's DNA through a database of NWTFDNA – the National Wild Turkey Federation DNA records. "Turkey DNA?" asks Gibbs incredulous, and Abby agrees that it is a wonderful time to be alive. It turns out that if a state has a turkey overpopulation problem, they will catch and release to other states that need a boost. "They keep records?" asks an amazed Gibbs, and Abby confirms: "Good ones!" and goes on to tell Gibbs that there was a pre-Christmas release two weeks ago in Virginia, and with the DNA, she can pinpoint which hunting ground the turkey was released to. Gibbs identifies the area as two miles from the last hit on Neisler's credit card. Abby suggests that perhaps he has returned to familiar hunting grounds to hide out. At Gibbs walks out, Abby starts up the ragtime music and continues dancing.

Gibbs and Ziva arrive at the hunting grounds, and Ziva is startled as a hunter walks by with a large turkey thrown over his shoulder. She declares that she has seen enough dead turkeys, but Gibbs reminds her that she'll probably see another one Christmas Day. She tells Gibbs that she has plans to go skiing with her friend from Miami. "He said he lived in the French Alps for a while and that he misses the snow." Gibbs offers a skeptical "uh,huh," and then stops a hunter to ask if they recognize Neisler's photo. No hits. Ziva is getting impatient – this is the fourth park

with no results. "Perhaps Abby is sending us on a wild . . ." she stops as a hunter walks by with a goose. "Never mind!" she declares. A hunter rises from a group and starts to walk away. Gibbs notices him just as the other hunters recognize him. They stop him with their guns pointed at him. He yells over at Gibbs, "I promise I won't testify!" and Gibbs tells the hunters that they'll take it from there. He shows his badge, and Neisler relaxes. "Oh, thank God – when I saw you flashing my photo – she's got the eyes of a killer, and you in that suit . . . figured I was dead." Gibbs pats him down, and Ziva asks him if someone is threatening him. He tells her that he received badly-worded emails telling him that they would kill him if he testified, so he thought he'd lay low until the trial, but they found him. He shows them the "Play Me" CD, and as Walsh calls, he warns Ziva not to answer it: "She was the only one who knew where I was – she has to be in on it!" "The D.A.?" asks Ziva with surprise. Gibbs answers the phone, and Walsh asks, "Any luck finding Jerry?" "Nah," answers Gibbs, looking at Neisler, "still haven't found him, yet."

In the office, McGee, Tony and Gibbs are reviewing the video, and McGee tells Gibbs that Abby has the original down in the lab, trying to identify who made it. Tony starts to comment, "The ol' knife to the neck . . . reminds me of . . ." but stops. McGee asks eagerly what it reminds him of. "What? An old fraternity prank? A 'Halloween' movie?" Tony doesn't meet McGee's eyes, but murmurs, "I know what you're doing." McGee, exasperated, declares, "And I know what you're doing." "What I am doing?" asks Tony tonelessly, and McGee snaps, "I don't know! But it's bugging me to such a degree that . . ." he stops suddenly as Gibbs thwacks him upside the head with a file, with the admonition, "I know what we're not doing." Tony continues as if nothing has happened: he has run a complete background check on the D.A. and nothing has jumped out. McGee points out that she could have told someone, but Ziva joins them and tells them that she has made discreet inquiries, and no one, not even Walsh's assistant, seems to know where Neisler was staying. McGee admits that he wasn't able to trace the emails, but the intent was clear. "To stop him from testifying," confirms Tony. McGee goes on to say that it obviously revolves around the case, and suggests splitting up the case files into three . . . Tony interrupts, diving into a succinct review of the pertinent facts of the case files. He has obviously already reviewed the files. Hayes, 41, is a former private investigator who spent years digging up dirt for bigwigs. "But, despite his somewhat grimy job, he was a family man, and had a reputation as a stand-up guy." Hayes started falling apart and drinking when his wife was killed in a car accident and his daughter became a state ward. Gibbs guesses: "He ended up on the street," and McGee agrees, stating that Hayes worked as muscle for whoever would hire him. Ziva adds that one evening, he mugged a brother and sister in an alley, shooting and killing the sister, and Neisler saw the whole thing. Gibbs tells Tony to find out who the killer worked for, Ziva will stay on the D.A., and McGee's job is to find the brother.

In the conference room, the brother, Matthew Gray, tells Gibbs that his sister had taken him out to Benihana's for his birthday – a family tradition. After their folks died, it wasn't the same, but his big sister had custody of him and tried to keep things normal. Gray goes on to explain that they took a shortcut home, and that this guy pulled a gun on them. "Katie didn't even hesitate – she jumped right in front." Gray pauses, and then looks away. "I don't remember what happened next – just the blood," he says slowly, as he looks at Gibbs. Gibbs asks him if he saw the killer, and Gray says that he couldn't be sure, "but made the mistake of telling the police that." Gibbs says mildly, "It's not a 'mistake' – you want the right guy to pay for this." Gray protests that they know who the right guy is, there was a witness. "Or at least, there was – the D.A. told me that he's missing." Gibbs is thinking. "Did she say anything else?" he asks Gray. Gray tells him that Walsh said that NCIS was looking for them, "but you have to look harder! That witness saw everything! My parents raised us to forgive and forget, but all I want right now is . . ." "Payback?" suggests Gibbs. "Justice," Gray responds firmly, and begs Gibbs to find Neisler.

In the lab, Abby is measuring Neisler's facial feature, and tells him that he has very symmetrical zygomatic arches (cheekbones). Neisler doesn't care, as long as it helps catch whoever is after him. Abby explains that precise measurements will help her figure out the size of the hand holding the knife to his throat, which will be useful if they find a suspect. "Hmm. Smart," muses Neisler. "I can understand why McGee was interested in you." Abby turns. "Excuse me?" she asks, and Neisler explains that McGee wasn't too happy when he had to leave Neisler alone in Abby's lab. He trails off, and comments offhandedly that he loves the song that is playing. Abby tries to explain that McGee was protective of her because they have had problems with visitors in her lab before. "Protective of what, your butt?" Neisler inquires, startling Abby. "He couldn't

stop checking it out when your back was turned," he continues. "Really?" drawls Abby. Neisler continues, "But I can see why you'd want to keep things casual." Sighing, Abby asks, "Why is that?" Neisler explains, "What if he's 'the one'? You're obviously married to your work, it's too soon to meet 'the one'." Abruptly, Abby turns off the music, and tells Neisler they are done. We hear a door, and without turning, Abby tells Gibbs, "Gibbs, can you make him go away, please?" Gibbs sends Neisler out of the lab with an escort. Abby has reviewed the forensics from the murder trial, and all they have is gun shot residue on the alleged killer's shirt. "It means he fired a weapon," she concludes, and Gibbs finishes, "But not who he fired at." Abby nods in agreement, and points out that the case is going to hinge on Neisler's testimony, adding sarcastically, "and I'm sure he's got a lot to say." Tony enters with a file, and adds, "I've got someone else who might." He has the list of people the killer was working for: drug dealers, loan sharks – people who will be hoping that he beats a murder rap. Gibbs observes that if he's convicted, he could cop a plea by giving evidence in other crimes, and Tony agrees that it gives others a reason to shut Neisler up. Tony points out one person in particular – Smitty Brown – dealing in black market weapons, drugs, and who has been visiting Hayes in prison. "Pick him up," orders Gibbs, but Tony admits that he can't find him. "He disappeared the day that Jerry got the DVD." Gibbs tells Tony that he wants to talk to Hayes and Tony tells him that he has already made arrangements. "Good job!" Gibbs praises Tony, and begins to walk away, but then turns and adds " . . . again." "Thanks, Boss," says Tony, but Gibbs is puzzled. "Are you feeling ok, DiNozzo?" and Tony meets his gaze directly. "Never better," he declares. "Hmm," says Gibbs as he leaves. As Tony and Abby are left in the lab, Abby comes up to Tony and warns him, with a face, to stay away from Jerry. Tony looks at her sideways.

Gibbs enters the jail's interrogation cell to talk to Hayes. "What did I do now?" inquires Hayes. Gibbs shows him a picture of Brown and asks him if he knows him. Hayes says that he does: "I help with collections when people are behind with their payments." Gibbs asks him if he knows where he is, and Hayes asks, ironically, "Now, how would I know that?" Gibbs points out that Hayes has been his only visitor, but Hayes tells Gibbs that he can't help him. Gibbs asks him what they talked about, and Hayes gives him a smart-mouthed answer: "Keynesian economics. Paleolithic migrations. You know – light stuff." At Gibbs' stare, he mumbles, "I don't remember." Gibbs shows him a photo of the girl he is accused of killing, before and after the murder. "Do you remember this?" he inquires. "Did your old boss tell you that if you kept your mouth shut, he'd take care of your witness for you?" Sullenly, Hayes tells Gibbs, "I don't have to answer you." "Where is he?" Gibbs repeats. Hayes is uncooperative. "What are you going to do? The D.A. is already asking for the death penalty." "Yep, Gibbs agrees, inviting an argument "it's an airtight case." But Hayes isn't biting. He asks for the guard to return him to his cell, and leaves Gibbs.

Gibbs and Neisler enter Gibbs' house. Neisler looks around and asks he should take his shoes off. "Wish you wouldn't," answers Gibbs as he moves toward the kitchen. Neisler comments that he has never been in a safe house before, and asks what is for dinner. Gibbs tosses him a can. "Beans." Neisler glances at a small framed photo on the mantle – a old "Merry Christmas" photocard, with Gibbs, Shannon and Kelly. Neisler asks Gibbs about his meeting with Hayes, and Gibbs says that he thinks that Hayes knows something. "I saw him at a hearing," offers Neisler. "He seems like a sad, sorry guy." As Gibbs finishes opening the can of beans, Neisler adds, "Kinda reminds me of you." Gibbs looks up in surprise as Neisler continues, "Both alone. No family." Gibbs is annoyed. "Hey!" he interrupts, but Neisler keeps on with his observation, motioning toward the photo on the mantle. "It's the same – look at her. You can tell she had good taste. You think you could get away with this lumpy couch if she was still here? But it seems like you were trying to make some changes – some sort of home makeover? Finally cleaning out the magazines?" he inquires. Neisler is a man who doesn't seem to have a filter – anything that comes in his head comes out of his mouth. Annoyed, Gibbs tosses him blankets and tells him that there's a cot in the basement. Neisler asks if he can borrow the phone to call his commanding officer and that he had promised to tell him where he would be that evening. Gibbs stops in mid-stride and stare at Neisler. "You spoke to your C.O.?" Gibbs asks carefully, and Neisler agrees, saying, "Yeah, I called him this afternoon, I felt bad about not giving him a heads-up." Seeing a car pull up, Gibbs quickly moves to the window and orders Neisler down to the basement. Neisler scrambles as Gibbs stands by the window, peering out. He then sits down and waits – in a moment, Walsh flies through the front door, demanding to know where Neisler is. "He's in the basement," replies Gibbs calmly. Walsh declares that Gibbs has no right

to withhold her witness from her case, and Gibbs corrects her. "It's our case. We need to talk. Sit down." Walsh refuses, telling Gibbs that he has done enough talking, and asks why he visited Hayes in jail. Rising, Gibbs tells her, slowly, that he doesn't need her permission, and then she tells him that there was an attempt on his life after Gibbs' meeting with Hayes. The trial has been postponed until Hayes recovers, which further jeopardizes Neisler's life. "You're not helping my case," she snaps. "You're going to ruin it!"

Walsh follows Gibbs into the office, demanding that he turn over Neisler. Gibbs tells her that that's not going to happen until he finds out who is trying to stop him from testifying. Ziva, McGee and Tony listen to the heated exchange as Walsh declares, "We want the same thing!" Gibbs is skeptical, and points out that Neisler said that Walsh was the only person who knew where he was. Walsh is outraged that Gibbs would think she is trying to sabotage her own trial, and suggests that whoever was trying to kill him probably followed him. There is a silence, and Gibbs glances at Ziva, inviting her to jump into the conversation. "We think we know who's after Jerry," says Ziva. "The accused murderer . . ." and Tony interrupts with a click of the briefing screen, "has been visited several times in prison by this man." Walsh asks who it is, and they identify him as Smitty Brown, a former employer who may be afraid that Walsh will talk if convicted. Walsh asks why he hasn't been picked up, and Gibbs admits that they cannot find him. She smiles, and tells him that she can probably help with that, since she has a large stable of informants on the street. Gibbs agrees, but is firm that Neisler stays at NCIS. Walsh storms out, and everyone looks at each other. McGee tells Gibbs that Abby has called and has new information. Ziva wonders if she should follow Walsh, but Gibbs decides no.

In Abby's lab, she is playing a video of two young men, where one is being dared to chug eggnog. She tells Gibbs that there were no clues on the DVD, but on the DVD's picture, there are two dead pixels, which had to come from a particular camera, and the chances of two camera have the exact same dead pixels was extremely rare. She then started scanning other video upload sites to find other videos with the same missing pixels, and discovered this particular eggnog video. She goes on to say that she found four videos that matched. She then measured the hands in the video, and compared them to the hand in Jerry's picture – and she found a match. The cameraman's name is Joe Casey. Gibbs tells her to send it up to McGee for a BOLO, but Abby tells him that Joe has been in the county morgue since this morning.

In Autopsy, McGee is giving Ducky the particulars. "Joe Casey, 23 years old, and already had a record for B&E, larceny and grand theft auto." McGee adds that they believe that Smitty Brown hired Casey to scare the witness, and then took him out when he was done. Jimmy and Ducky are examining the body, and Ducky tells McGee that the medical examiner believed that the death was an animal mauling. Ducky trails off in mid-thought, and Gibbs guesses, "But you don't?" After a moment of thought, Ducky turns back to the body, and points out things that puzzle him – the liver wasn't mauled so much as inflated to the point of exploding, and several of the organs seem to have freezer burn. Again, Ducky trails off, and Gibbs asks him why he is so distracted. Jimmy tells him that since Ducky's profile was posted on Facebook, he has had several emails from "lady friends." Ducky shrugs helplessly, and adds, "Well, some of them are quite provocative! I'm having difficulty concentrating!" McGee and Gibbs almost hide smiles, and Gibbs gently redirects: "Freezer burn?" Ducky confirms that the organs in the thoracic cavity had freezer burn, and he can't explain it, but Jimmy has noted that the man's tattoos were probably made within minutes before his death, since the puncture wounds are still fresh. "So, if you can find the parlour . . ." McGee finishes the thought, "Then someone might have seen something!" and dashes off to start searching. As Gibbs leaves, he tells Ducky, "Good work, Duck." Jimmy starts to protest, "Actually, I was the one . . ." but Gibbs stops him with A Look and Jimmy trails off. Jimmy turns to Ducky and repeats Gibbs: "Good work, Dr. Mallard." Ducky grins.

McGee and Ziva pull up in front of a store, as Ziva describes the area. Casey's body was found behind one building, and the tattoo parlor on the corner is the only tattoo parlor within a five-mile radius. McGee asks Ziva if she has copies of Casey's photos, and she says that yes, Tony had them waiting for her on her desk – and had also updated her BOLOs on Smitty Brown. She and McGee both roll their eyes in exasperation, and McGee comments that the joke is getting pretty old. Ziva observes that she doesn't think he is joking. McGee points out that Tony is a great investigator, but the closest he ever came to enjoying paperwork was renewing his Maxim subscription. Ziva agrees, and confides that that is why she is so concerned. McGee agrees, and tells Ziva that Tony gave him half of his French fries at lunch. Ziva earnestly tells McGee that one

of them has to confront him, but McGee asks, "And tell him what – 'Why aren't you acting like a 14 year old anymore?'" Ziva corrects him: "Well, I was going to say at 12 year old – but YES!" Suddenly, a man walks out of the tattoo parlor. McGee stares at him, and then asks Ziva, "Is that Smitty?" Ziva, watching carefully, agrees that it is. McGee calls out, "Smitty!" Smitty stops and turns and asks, "Who wants to know?" McGee and Ziva flash their badges and McGee tells him, "I'll make you a list."

In Interrogation, Smitty asks if he gets a phone call. Gibbs is seated, with Tony standing stiffly behind him. Gibbs silently hands Smitty his keys with a knife attached, and Smitty gestures to a bag, telling Gibbs that he's going to want the bag, too. Gibbs places a picture of Casey on the table, along with a knife in a container. Tony inquires, "You gonna want that back, too? It's called a wasp knife, right? Used by hunters to take down big game? Injects compressed gas, freezing and exploding internal organs?" Gibbs tells him that they found it in Smitty's car, and Tony tells him, more succinctly, "it's a murder weapon." Smith tries to laugh, and tells Gibbs that he doesn't even know the guy, why should he try to kill him? Gibbs suggests that he was tying up loose ends, but Smitty says he doesn't have any loose ends. Tony, not moving, suggest that Smitty is afraid that if Hayes is convicted, he will turn Smitty in for a lighter sentence. Tony goes on to outline that Smitty hired Casey to intimidate the witness, and then killed him. Smitty tells them that they have it all wrong, but Tony keeps going relentlessly, saying that when he failed to get to Neisler, he tried to have Hayes killed in prison. Smitty tells them that he didn't try to kill anyone – instead, Casey tried to kill him. He says that he heard that someone was trying to mess with the witness from the Hayes trial, and he put the word on the street that he wanted to know who it was, and that was how he met Casey. "I don't know who he was working for, but it wasn't me," he declares. "I told him to lay off the witness, he made a move – it was self-defense. End of story." Tony is unbelieving: "You told him to back off?" Smitty explains that he doesn't want Hayes out of prison – he wants him in prison, because he needs someone inside the joint to help him with "a little side-business" he had going. His last dealer got executed, and Hayes had agreed to be his new guy. Gibbs wants to know what Hayes got out of it, and Smitty said that he made deposits on a life insurance policy. "Life insurance? For a guy headed for the death penalty?" asks Tony. Smitty tells him he doesn't know what the deal is, he just knows what the deal was – and he can prove it.

In the office, Neisler has gotten under Ziva's skin, and we hear him protesting, "Well, you and Tony are . . ." as Ziva cuts him off: "We are just friends! There is nothing different about him!" "Alright," agrees Neisler doubtfully, and Gibbs then shows Neisler the photo of Smith. "Do you recognize him?" Neisler glances at the screenshot of Smitty's license and says, "No." McGee reports that the rest of Smitty's story checks out – the inside guy in the prison that was dealing for him was recently executed, and that Smitty is, indeed, making the payments on the insurance, even to the point of calling to confirm that the policy will pay even if Hayes is executed. "Who is the beneficiary?" asks Gibbs, and Ziva turns to Tony, expecting him to jump into the report. Tony silently hands her the screen control and she stares at him for a moment open-mouthed before she recovers and, taking the remote control, pulls up a picture of Hayes and his family and confirms that the beneficiary is Hayes' daughter. Tony observes there are no leads on who tried to kill Hayes in prison, but Ducky interrupts and tells them that that's because no one tried to kill Hayes. He has just gotten off the phone with the prison doctor, who thinks that Hayes' wounds were self-inflicted, disguising a suicide attempt. McGee protests, "But if he got off, he was just going to walk," and Ziva agrees, "Yes – why try to kill himself?" Unexpectedly, Neisler, who has been absorbing the conversation, interjects, "Seems pretty obvious to me." They all stare at him, and he continues with his explanation: "I'm sure you would have figured it out eventually, but Hayes doesn't want to beat the murder rap. He's given up. He just wants to die and leave one last gift to his daughter. But, he thought I was missing, which meant that he'd go free – so he tried to kill himself." He sighs and shrugs. "Another sad guy." Gibbs turns and glares at Neisler. Ziva asks the next question: "So, who is trying to get this guy out of prison?" McGee is pecking away at his computer, and says that he has found the call log from Smitty's cell phone, with several calls from this number. It looks familiar. Gibbs identifies the number: "District Attorney Walsh." Tony adds, "The same District Attorney Walsh who didn't know who Smitty was?" They head out.

Walsh is pacing in the interrogation room alone, keeping up an indignant monologue. "You can't keep me here! I have a date in two hours!" From the observation room, Tony and Ziva are watching her, and Ziva turns off the intercom. Tony, wincing, thanks her, commenting that he

was getting a headache. "Really?" asks Ziva incredulously. "This is usually your favorite part, getting to 'watch reality TV at work', as you call it!" Tony tells her solemnly, "People change, Ziva," but Ziva is having none of it. "Yes – but not that quickly." They exchange a look, and Ziva continues. "And yet, here we have this – new Tony, who arrives early, leaves late, turns down advances from beautiful women and has not made a single joke in –what? – the last two days!" "Are you sure?" asks Tony, and to Ziva's affirmative snort, he snatches the file back from her and says, "Well, we are in the middle of a case." "It's never stopped you before!" exclaims Ziva, and Tony fires back angrily, "Well, it's stopping me now. I'm sorry if you're losing sleep over it, but I can't be responsible for everyone's feelings!" Ziva stares at him in astonishment, and then asks gingerly, "Everyone? For example . . .?" "You. And McGee. And the friends of Bitners in the world!" he says in frustration. Ziva zeroes in on that, and repeats slowly, "Bitner – you mean . . .?" "Yeah, Bitner. The girl that posted online that we were in a committed relationship last year." Ziva thinks back, and comments, "Yes – but if I remember correctly, the only thing you were committed to was a one-night stand!" Tony tells Ziva that he has just found out that Bitner has checked herself into a facility for depression after wrapping her car around a tree. "Nice one, huh?" he adds in derision. Ziva is beginning to understand: "And you think you are responsible?" Tony denies it. "No, I barely knew the girl, I'm just saying . . ." Ziva tells Tony that she was obviously a troubled woman, and Tony agrees. "Well, it's clear now.", and Ziva goes on to say that Tony probably feels badly because it's his job to notice things and help people that are in trouble. Tony admits that he doesn't know why it's gotten under his skin, and comments "Maybe instead of having a midlife crisis, I'm having a midlife crazy." Angrily, Ziva grabs Tony and turns him to face her. "Look, you are not crazy. You are just . . . growing up." Tony studies her face as she continues. "And some lessons are more painful as we grow older, because the stakes are higher. You need to find balance!" Shaking her head, she raises her fists in frustration. "Yes, yes, yes, you need to treat people more respectfully, especially when it comes to matters . . . of the heart. But," she says, calming down, and smoothing the lapel of his jacket, "you need to be – who you are." Tony is taking in every word. He asks, "And who am I?" Ziva tells him, "You are Tony DiNozzo. The class clown. And that is why we love you," she says, her eyes falling for a moment, and then looking up into his face. They gaze at each other for a moment, and both are startled when Gibbs enters the interrogation room. Tony gives Ziva a slight smile, and they both turn to watch the interrogation.

Walsh is threatening Gibbs that she will have his badge, and Gibbs tells her that she lied to him, and confronts her with the evidence on Smitty's cell phone. She says she had a good reason and that she withheld her relationship with Smitty to protect her case. "Your relationship?" Gibbs demands incredulously. Walsh goes on to explain that Smitty was one of her office's informants, and things got a little . . . complicated. Gibbs rolls his eyes in disbelief, and Walsh is defensive. "What? He's a good looking guy!" He doesn't dignify her explanation with an answer, and she goes on to explain that if Hayes' defense team found out that she was sleeping with the subject of an investigation, they could argue that the entire chain of evidence had been tainted, and her case would be over. "Maybe," agrees Gibbs, "but maybe if you had said something earlier?" Walsh pleads with him not to tell the judge, but he tells her that he has to.

Tony and McGee are standing on the street, shivering. McGee comments that it's unbelievable, but after all this, the killer could still walk. Tony says, mildly, that they'll know after the hearing, and McGee begins a tentative approach: "Hey, look, Tony . . ." Tony sighs and says, "Not you, too, McGee?" and McGee asks if Ziva has already talked to him. Tony says she has, and then points out that the hearing seems to be over. Gibbs and Ziva join them, as Walsh walks away in the background. Ziva reports that the judge threw the case out, and that Hayes walks. McGee observes that they never got a chance to find out who was threatening Neisler, and then asks Gibbs how the brother took it. "He wasn't there," says Gibbs with a slight smile. McGee is surprised, because Gray has been to every hearing. Gibbs says, slowly, that he is surprised too, and the four of them exchange a look.

A snowy street, with a Santa sitting by a Salvation Army kettle ringing a bell. A taxi pulls up, and Hayes steps out onto the street, clutching a large manila envelope. As the taxi pulls away, Hayes tosses the envelope into the trash. It has a label: "Federal Inmate. Record of Discharge." As he turns to watch the Santa across the street, Gray walks up behind him, grabs his arm, and forces him into the alley. At gunpoint, he demands, "Do you have anything to say to me?" Hayes tells him, "They know what you did. You hired the guy that tried to stop my trial. They

know what you did." Gibbs and Tony enter the alley behind them, guns drawn. Gibbs tells him that they found the wire transfer you used to pay him." Tony adds, "You wanted to scare Jerry out of testifying – we just don't know why. Why don't you put the gun down and explain it to us?" Gray is angry. "No. He has to pay for what he did!" Gibbs tells him that he was about to, the D.A. was asking for the death penalty, but Gray is unimpressed. "Do you know how long the average convicted killer spends on death row before being executed? Thirteen years! If it happens at all!" Gibbs and Tony are joined by Ziva and McGee, guns drawn. "That wasn't going to cut it," he finishes. McGee continues, "So, you got him out on the street, where you were going to get payback." Gray corrects him, "No, I'm going to get payback!" Gibbs tries to tell him that it's not worth throwing his life away, but he asks about his sister's life. "She was the only family I had left – and you took her!" he tells Hayes, beginning to sob. Hayes tells him "I can't give you her life back, ok? But maybe, I can give you yours?" Gray is scathing, and Hayes continues, "Look, I'd supply the bullets myself if I thought it would make you feel better, but it won't." Gray tells Hayes, "You don't know anything about me!" but Hayes tells him that he has spent more time thinking about Gray than he has anything else in his entire life. "And I'm clean now," he continues, "and I can barely remember what I did, but I understand it now. I took your sister's life. I wasted mine. Are you really going to let me ruin yours, as well?" Gibbs tells Gray to put his gun down, but still Gray refuses. "No way – you mean, he just goes free?" Hayes explains that it's just a matter of time before the new D.A. refiles the charges and he's back in court again. "And you know what? I'll just save everyone the trouble and I'll plead guilty. Hell, I'll even sign the confession right now, and maybe we can just pretend that this never happened." McGee tells him that he may have to settle for maybe some of it never happening. Gibbs tells them that he can talk to the D.A. There is a tangible relaxing in the group. Hayes holds out his hands as if to say, "what now?" and Ziva moves to take Gray's gun. Gray tells Gibbs, desperately, "I miss her so much." Gibbs stands silently as the snow falls. He understands.

At the office, McGee and Ziva exit the elevator, laughing. McGee has had another dream. "Please tell me I was not in it!" she exclaims, and McGee tells her that she wasn't, but her knives were. Suddenly, they bump into Palmer, who is obviously struggling to keep back tears. McGee asks in alarm, "Palmer?! What is it?!" and Palmer gestures over his shoulder and mutter "Jerry," as he dashes off, head bent. Neisler is following Gibbs up the stairs, and McGee observes, "Ah. Well, I told Palmer not to talk to him." Tony is at his desk, straightening files. Ziva asks why Neisler is still there, and Tony tells her that he wanted to thank Gibbs personally. Tony tells him that the D.A. will drop the witness intimidation charge against Gray in return for a guilty plea to the weapons charge, and he won't do any time. McGee and Ziva exchange a glance, and McGee mutters, "I think you're going to have to have another talk with him." "Um-hmm," agrees Ziva, giving Tony a narrow look. She turns and sits down at her desk, and begins to type. Tony sits silently with his hands crossed on his desk, watching her. As soon as she touches the keyboard, the keyboard explodes. McGee's workspace also starts exploding, with confetti, colored lights, and sound effects. Ziva is jumping in alarm, and on the briefing screen, amidst a snowfall of confetti, is a large "Happy Holidays" with the NCIS seal set between a snow covered Christmas tree and a snowman. The rest of the office is looking on in amazement. McGee and Ziva both turn to stare accusingly at Tony, and Tony half- turns with a hint of the old Tony smile to give a thumbs-up to Neisler, watching gleefully from the stairs. Ziva exclaims, "YOU!" and Tony responds, with a frown, "Too much?"

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Ships in the Night

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Production Code: 173
Summary: The NCIS team partners us with the Coast Guard Investigative Service when they have to investigate the murder of a marine on a dinner boat cruise.



Coast Guard IS Special Agent Abigail Borin suffers through a terrible first date aboard a dinner boat cruise. She excuses herself and heads to the bar to do shots.

A handsome first lieutenant Jeremy Nolan chats her up and offers to rescue her later.

Nolan leaves her and her date finds her, just in time for gun shots to ring out. Borin draws her gun and investigates.

She finds Nolan dead.

It's 2 a.m. on a Friday night and the NCIS team is at work. Tony tries to get information out of Ziva about her mystery Miami man. She's using comp time to take three days off soon. Comp time is news to Tony.

Gibbs announces it's body of the week time.

On the dinner cruise, the next morning, Gibbs says hello to Borin, who he worked with before. He brought her a change of clothes.

Nolan was having dinner with his sister and uncle. The passengers have been kept on the boat.

Ziva talks to Nolan's family. His uncle Wayne Grossman says Nolan got back from Afghanistan four days ago. His sister Kimberly gets a text that the paparazzi are waiting. McGee recognizes her.

They're the children of Jack Nolan, the family is worth millions.

Bolin comes back with coffee. She and McGee report on Nolan, who was cut out of the family fortune after he refused to take over the family business. Jack Nolan died six months ago. Kimberly was made famous by a leaked sex tape.

Nolan was a stellar Marine.

Ziva finishes up interviewing Borin's date. He thinks he and Borin were hitting it off.

No one has seen the gun or tested positive for GSR. People saw a man in a marine uniform argue with a waiter.

In the morgue, Duckie tracks the bullets' path through the victim. They were fired from a low angle from at least 20 feet away. Duckie says it would have taken a marksman.

Tony interviews surly Doug, the waiter Nolan argued with. He's an ex-Marine, who was discharged for hitting a superior officer. Tony needles him.

He says he told Nolan his joining up was a stunt. He was on the opposite side of the boat when the shots were fired.

In the lab, Abby shows Gibbs and Borin her 3D model of the shooting, which shows the shooter couldn't have been on the boat – but instead was on another boat nearby.

Upstairs, Borin is wracking her brain trying to remember a second boat, but she can't. They wonder how the shooter would have known Nolan would be on the deck at that time.

McGee finds an arrest from three days ago against Nolan for assault. His uncle Wayne, legal counsel for the family business, defended him.

Tony and Ziva go to the business and meet with a Tom Adams, the CFO, a young guy who's been with the company since his teens. He speaks well of Jeremy and says that he stood up to Devon Lodge, a punk who used to date Kimberly and smacked her around.

When Jeremy got back, he found Devon and hit him. The charges were dropped.

Back in Abby's lab, she and Borin are going through the pictures from the cruise. There's one that shows the mystery boat out the window, a sports fishing boat. Borin recognized the model and is already looking into registrations.

Tony and Ziva go look for Devon at a club and find him mauling Kimberly. He admits he hated Jeremy, but says the paparazzi were following him at the time of the murder. At the office, McGee has 390 boat registrations.

Abby comes up to say the blood from the crime scene was from two people.

Borin gets a call that the Coast Guard just pulled another body out of the river.

Borin visits Duckie in the morgue with the second victim. He was killed around the time Nolan was, with a .22 to the back of his head. He was wrapped in plastic and weighed down.

He had .9 mm shells in his pocket, the kind used to kill Nolan. They think he was hired to kill Nolan, and then was killed.

He's Kyle Dansby and he has a record, including as the suspect in two murders for hire. McGee's about to trace where he was dumped according to river currents, but Borin steps in. She says it was at National Harbor.

McGee looks for the sports boat registered there and finds one that belongs to Devon's family's company.

Ziva and Tony go back to the club and find a blonde straddling a sauced Devon. He swings at Tony and when his security steps in, Tony and Ziva dispatch with them handily.

Back at NCIS, Tony and Ziva say they couldn't corroborate his alibi and he's unaccounted for four hours the night of the murder.

McGee interrupts. He shows them a paparazzi video of Devon with a senator's 17-year-old daughter going into a hotel and coming out four hours earlier. He has an alibi, but Ziva arrests him for having sex with a minor.

McGee finds paperwork that shows Jack Nolan changed his will and Jeremy got the whole company. Jeremy was about to turn it into a non-profit.

In the lab, Abby is on a caf-pow tear. She tells Gibbs that Wayne Grossman once defended the hitman Dansby.

She found Adam's prints on the boat. And Kimberly is out her \$300K board member job. They have circumstantial evidence only and need a confession.

Gibbs says they're going to break rule No. 1: Never put suspects together. He asks Borin for the key to a sports boat.

At Nolan Radar Systems, Gibbs tosses the boat key on the table for Wayne, Kimberly and Adams to see. They tell Adams his blood is on it. Wayne shuts Adams up and looks at the key.

Gibbs pours Kimberly a glass of water and tells her to pick it up. She doesn't move her arm. Gibbs pokes her. They pull back her jacket to show a bandage.

The bullet grazed her.

She says they threatened her into getting Jeremy out on the deck. They all turn on each other, with Wayne pointing out Adams took out Dansby.

Wayne takes out his phone and plays a recording of Adams and Kimberly conspiring. They're all under arrest.

Back at the office, Gibbs and Borin are perky as the team drags. She gets called to another murder and says good bye.

A captain waits to see someone. He's there about Nolan. He has Jeremy's revised will – he's a lawyer in the reserves and served with Jeremy. Kimberly was out of the will and Jeremy went forward with turning all the company's profits over to charity.

Tony counts up his comp time and sees he has three weeks – which he won't be taking so he doesn't get replaced.

Gibbs sends them all home.

Recruited

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Summary: A petty officer's recruitment session at a college fair comes to a fatal end, prompting the NCIS team, accompanied by Dr. Mallard's predecessor, to solve his murder.



A recruiter talks to a student at a high school job fair. When he packs up his stuff to leave, someone follows him to the stairwell – and shoves him down it. At the bottom, they finish him off with a work boot to the head.

In the office, Tony pretends not to notice that Ziva has been gone since Thursday. Then he 'fesses up, he knows she spent the weekend with her Miami mys-

tery man. The lack of info is driving Tony nuts.

Dr. Walter Magnus arrives to see Ducky. He's content to wait down in autopsy, despite the fact that Tony warns him it's stinky. He knows the way down.

Gibbs arrives to announce the dead body of the week: Petty officer in a stairwell. Even Gibbs starts singing "The wheels on the bus go 'round and 'round...."

In the stairwell, McGee scans fingerprints and IDs petty officer Simon Craig, a 27-year-old who did two tours overseas and requested a transfer back.

His ID and cards are gone.

They wait for Ducky, but Dr. Magnus arrives instead. "Why people always get killed in the least accessible places? I once found a ship's cook chopped up and left in a deep fryer. The sailors nibbled on him in the calamari for days," Magnus says.

Gibbs remembers him from NCIS.

Back in autopsy, Ducky looks over the petty officer as Magnus checks the place out. He tells Ducky that his wife died almost 10 years ago and he and his daughter Jenny don't talk much.

In the office, McGee reports that Simon's parents died when he was a kid and his sister Nina raised him and runs the family's crabbing business.

Simon's boss is chief petty officer Jerome Carr and Tony's looking into rejected applicants.

Vance comes to see Gibbs. He's using a cane, but getting around. Vance busts Gibbs for not doing any paperwork while he was out. He's eager to prove he's back at full speed.

Tony and McGee visit Jerome Carr. He mentions one reject who hounded Simon, James Zinetti. He hands over his file, showing a tattooed thug.

In her lab, Abby babbles Magnus' ear off about changes in technology. "I haven't understood one thing you've said, but I'm all for it," Magnus says.

Gibbs arrives. Abby presents a boot print lifted from Craig's face, a Trailbreaker work boot. There was a wood tack in the boot's heel.

McGee and Tony go see Zinetti in his wood shop. He's working at his saw when they approach him. He whacks Tony in the gut with a piece of wood and grabs McGee and puts his head down to the saw when Tony draws on him and tells him to freeze.

Back at the office, Zinetti says he was in a college class last night and can prove it.

Ziva returns from her romantic rendezvous. They went skiing in Vermont, and he cooked for her.

"He is an experienced man who knows how to appreciate life," she says. His name is Ray. Ziva assures Tony that Ray is a good man.

Gibbs meets with Simon's sister, Nina. She says he loved his job – and he was gay. He was involved with a high school English teacher.

Tony and Ziva visit Glenn Block at school. He says they had been seeing each other for about a month – but he's in a committed relationship. He's married. His wife Penny threw him out, but he doesn't think she is capable of hurting anyone.

As they're leaving the school, Tony recognizes Paul Simmons as one of the teens who talked to Simon. They stop him and his dad, Lance. He didn't know Simon was dead, but says he was cool. Tony gives him his card. Paul's wearing work boots.

In autopsy, Ducky shows Gibbs deep bruises on Simon's legs – older injuries from days before his death. Ducky calls it a beating. There are signs of previous injuries.

Ducky wants Magnus to help out with the autopsy, but he says he needs air.

Ziva calls Gibbs to tell him Glenn Block's wife Penny was just arrested for DUI and there were Trailbreaker boots in her car.

Gibbs talks to her. She followed her husband to a motel. He produces her bank record with a large withdrawal.

He says they think she hired someone to beat Simon up. She says she hopes it hurt and was at a bar the night Simon was killed.

But Gibbs doesn't think she did it.

In the office, McGee confirms Penny was at a bar.

Of the kids Simon was recruiting, Paul was the last to see him. His mom is dead and his dad was recently laid off.

Vance summons Gibbs.

Ducky comes looking for Magnus.

Vance doesn't love that Gibbs is calling Simon's murder a hate crime.

Vance looks weary and Gibbs suggests he might need to take more time off.

Abby summons Ducky, saying Magnus needs him. He's sitting catatonic in Abby's chair. Ducky talks to him but gets only factoids about hippos. Magnus says he loves it "here at the zoo." Then he looks around and asks where he is.

Tony and Ziva visit Paul Simmon's dad, Lance. There are beer bottles strewn around. There's a table saw in his kitchen. He says they're doing renovations. Lance says Paul's not really interested in the Navy, because he can't take orders.

Paul comes home, but runs when they say they want to talk to him.

He gets in his car and starts to drive off, but Tony runs behind his car with his gun drawn.

Back at NCIS in the conference room, Paul tells Gibbs he got scared. He says he didn't hurt Simon. Gibbs reads Paul's school suspension record. He says the fights weren't his fault.

Paul admits he talked to Simon at the fair, but then he left. Lance interrupts and says he needs to talk to Gibbs privately.

Out in the hall, Lance stands up for his son. Gibbs asks Lance where he was and he admits he was passed out in his car, drunk. Gibbs tells him he should act like a father.

In autopsy, Ducky tells Magnus he called his daughter, Jenny. They're not estranged; he lives with her. Magnus admits he has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's and says the job was everything to him. He came to NCIS hoping it would all come back to him. He confesses that sometimes he can't remember who he was.

McGee reports Paul's alibi: a pizza delivery receipt.

According to Simon's records, he never talked to Paul on the phone. McGee opens Simon's email and Gibbs tells him to search for "Don't Ask Don't Tell." They get hits.

They realize the fights at school were Paul defending himself. He didn't want to lie anymore, and Simon tried to help.

Gibbs talks to Paul, with a social worker present instead of his dad. He says no one else would listen to him. He says his dad thought he was crazy to want to enlist.

Lance comes home to find Paul and the agents. They arrest him. "All I wanted was to protect my son," Lance says.

He thought they were meeting up and it wasn't just "business."

Paul says Simon was helping him. Lance says he was just trying to be a good dad. Paul hugs him.

Later, Ducky checks on things in MTAC. He brings Magnus in. McGee plays a slideshow of Magnus' cases. Magnus watches the memories roll by and gets misty eyed.

Vance examines his scar and gets buzzed with a call from SecNav.

Paul meets with another Navy recruiter, with Gibbs watching over him.

Gibbs prepares his tools in his basement and gets to work on his next project.

Freedom

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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Christina Cox (I) (Marine Gunnery Sergeant Georgia Wooten), Thomas Calabro (Len Feeney), Olivia Taylor Dudley (Jancey Gilroy), Aaron D. Spears (Marine Major Michael Strickland), Tiya Sircar (Lauren Donnelly), Matthew Florida (Kyle Severin), Aramis Knight (Nick Miller), Aidan Sussman (Jacob Wooten)
Production Code: 175
Summary: The NCIS team has to locate the family and the murderer when a Marine is found beaten to death in his own backyard.



A young dog walker brings some dogs home and finds a neighbor's dog roaming free with blood on him. He pulls a "Timmy fell down the well!" and leads her back to his house, where his owner is lying beaten in the back yard.

At the office, McGee finds a box on his desk. He opens it and a full-sized inflatable hula doll pops up. Tony is amused, but denies responsibility.

The receipt has McGee's credit card info on it.

Gibbs arrives to announce the body of the week.

At the crime scene, Marine Sgt. Travis Wooten was a married 34 year old active reservist with a young son. His wife Georgia is also a reservist.

Wooten was beaten to death around 1 a.m. He put up a fight.

There are plates of food at the table, a bath tub full of water and blood in the bedroom. They're worried about his family.

Back at the office, Tony reports Travis and Georgia were high school sweethearts and enlisted together. Travis was an unremarkable marine stationed in Afghanistan. His wife outranked him and received awards.

Travis recently lost his job at an auto parts plant and has been hanging out at a pool hall, as recently as an hour before he died last night.

At Feeney's Billiards, Tony brags about his pool prowess. They meet Len Feeney, the owner. He remembers Travis was there the night before.

Feeney says he served in the Gulf war.

Feeney says he thought Travis was divorced but had a girlfriend, Jancy Gilroy. She was there last night, chewing him out.

McGee talks to her. She says they were going to get married. She thought Travis was divorced. She has scratches on her hands.

In the morgue, Duckie finds a plant named after William Penn on the victim. It emits an oil that wipes away anything near it.

He tells Gibbs there were 11 blows to his head and more to his back and chest. The attack lasted a while. They found a big splinter in his palm that could have been from the weapon used on him.

Duckie shows Gibbs a weird shaped bruise on Wooten's neck.

Wooten also has old scabs on his hand.

In the office, they've located Georgia Wooten and her son, leaving the state.

She coolly asks Gibbs to see her husband's body.

Down in the morgue, she wants Duckie to completely remove the sheet from his body. Then she tells them to take him. "I can't pay for a funeral right now," she says as she leaves.

Upstairs in the conference room, she tells Gibbs she and her son left for an amusement park at 11 pm last night. She got a hotel room. She says she told her CO, but Gibbs says the CO says she didn't request leave.

Gibbs asks about his girlfriend. She says Travis told her it was over. She can't believe her husband is gone. "I can't believe I get to raise my son alone," she says. Gibbs notices the "get to."

She takes her son and leaves.

Gibbs wants her emails and phone records.

McGee finds that his credit card and social security number have been stolen. There are \$10,000 in charges.

In Abby's lab, she shows Gibbs three fake heads she's experimenting with weapons. A broom handle is close, but the weapon is smaller, like a nightstick. It was covered in a rare stain or varnish.

She thinks a neck wound was made by a metal chain or something. Gibbs thinks the killer had a lot of rage.

In the office, they report that Georgia's CO filed paperwork about her being gone without authorization. McGee found that Georgia led Marine Corp martial arts training programs.

They watch a video of her and notice she's bruised in it.

On the base, someone tells Tony and Ziva that Georgia Wooten got "overly aggressive" with a trainee, but it was no big deal. He says Georgia wasn't the same after her last tour in Afghanistan. He says she's been bothered lately, but it wasn't work related.

Back at the office, they have photos of Wooten from various hospitals over the years with bruises all over her body. She insisted her injuries were the result of boxing training at an off-base gym.

Down in the morgue, Gibbs tells Duckie the bruises on Wooten's knuckles were apparently from beating his wife. Duckie suggests Ziva talk with Georgia to try to get her to open up.

Ziva visits Georgia and tells her she knows what it feels like to be under the control of a man, and feeling that the way to survive is to just shut down. When she says she knows what it's like to want to seek revenge, Georgia denies she killed her husband shuts the door in Ziva's face.

In the office, they don't show any hotel charges on Georgia's card, but she made a lot of calls, including one to Travis and one to Len Feeney. She called him several times over the past few weeks.

Ziva and Tony go talk to Feeney again. He says her voice was shaking when she called. He knew about the abuse, but Georgia didn't want him to report Travis. She said she'd never kill the father of her child.

Feeney says Travis's girlfriend had no problem going after him.

In the office, Duckie reports they found finger nail polish that traced back to the nail salon where Travis's girlfriend works, but she hasn't shown up for two days and her bank accounts have been drained.

They find her and bring her in. She thinks they had something special, but he dumped her. She says she's pregnant and told him that night.

He told her about his wife and kid. She took a cab and left.

McGee confirms the cab later. Abby comes up to report the weird mark on Wooten's neck was from a vintage 1959 gold-plated watch.

Down in the morgue, Gibbs looks over the body. He calls McGee and asks him to pull up Georgia's training video. He watches it and sees her holding up a gold-plated watch.

Back on the base, Gibbs and Ziva go pick up Georgia.

In interrogation, Gibbs reads through all her ER records with photos. She insists she's not a victim. She says she could take the beatings, so Travis looked for new ways to hurt her. She says that night he found it when he threatened to take their kid.

She says she took their son and ran. She insists she didn't kill her husband.

McGee freaks out to Tony that he might have been a victim of a Russian identity theft ring. He reads through the charges, including comic book shops and erotica. Tony thinks the identity thief is a 14 year old kid.

In the lab, Abby announces she traced the varnish chip to a company in Ireland that is only used for pool cues.

Gibbs and Tony go back to Feeney's club.

They bring Georgia in. Feeney tells her he went to her house after he heard how upset she was. Travis attacked him, so he fought back, but couldn't stop. He tells Georgia he'd do anything for her.

Back in the office, Tony brings in a 12 year old: Tim McGee. McGee recognizes him as his landlady's kid, with access to her keys and his apartment.

When McGee tells the kid how much he cost him, the kid tells him, dude, relax, it's fraud and he's only liable for \$50 of it. He tells McGee he's stuck in a rut and even eats the same take out every night.

The kid asks Tony if they can go to the arcade now. Tony invites McGee, who caves under the pressure.

McGee tells the kid he owes him \$50. "Talk to my mom, bro," the kid says.

A Man Walks Into a Bar...

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Guest Stars: Wendy Makkena (Dr. Rachel Cranston), Scott Lawrence (Navy Captain Thomas Lind), Kim Johnston Ulrich (Nancy Hargrove), Matthew Yang King (Min Ho Kwon), Robert Newman (Navy Admiral Wayne Hargrove), Brian T. Skala (Navy Ensign David Howard), Alexandra Barreto (Navy Petty Officer Rena Oliver), Dustin Seavey (Navy Seaman Marcus Leonard), Andrew Pattison (Navy Information Systems Tech Victor Davies)
Production Code: 176
Summary: The team has to investigate the death of a naval commander found shot to his death on a navy vessel, while undergoing mandatory psych evaluations.



A Naval vessel gets new orders to monitor North Korean activity off the coast. Commander Reynolds doesn't come to the bridge. They find him dead and bloodied in his stateroom.

At NCIS, Dr. Rachel Cranston (Wendy Makkena) reminds Director Vance that his team is overdue for their psych evaluations. She wants to follow them around. She asks who she should start with.

Cut to Tony counting his winnings from a trifecta bet at Pimlico. He's explaining how the horses spoke to him with a series of neighs and whinnies when Vance and Cranston come down the stairs behind him.

In walks Gibbs with the body of the week: dead commander Vincent Reynolds of the USS Colonial. Gibbs doesn't argue with her tagging along.

On the Colonial, Tony tries to explain his horse whispering to Cranston, saying it's his responsibility to lighten the mood.

In the stateroom, they snap photos. Duckie announces the victim was shot at close range. The slug is in the mattress and the shell casing is on the floor. It's a type used by Koreans and Russians.

The captain says there is a group of international journalists on board. McGee checks his smart phone and finds the news is out.

Vance gets an earful from Sec Nav. The ship is on lockdown. They're trying to figure who leaked the story. There are two English reporters, two French and one South Korean. Men Ho Kwan was the only one not with an escort at the time of the shooting.

Vance tells Gibbs that until Cranston is done they're not technically cleared to work in the field. He reminds Gibbs that their record might not be enough.

Victim rundown: Reynolds was 18 months from retirement and was single with no kids. He's friends with Admiral Wayne Hargrove, who's aboard the USS Blueridge.

Gibbs reminds the team that Vance wants them to talk to Cranston. She picks Ziva.

Back on the Colonial, Tony talks to the Korean journalist Kwan, who is not happy at being singled out. Tony tells him he looks nervous.

When Kwan walks away, Petty officer Oliver tells Tony that she saw Kwan arguing with Reynolds last night.

Ziva reluctantly talks to Cranston, angry to be away from work. Cranston asks her about juggling her responsibilities to country and her job.

Flash back to Ziva arguing with her dad and him saying he doesn't know where her loyalties lie. He tells her he expects her loyalty to him – and only him.

Cranston brings up Kate Todd, who Ziva replaced.

Flash back to Ziva sitting at Kate's desk, trying to fit in.

Cranston asks Ziva about men and says her choices in them in the past have influenced her work.

Flash to Ziva insisting to Tony that her boyfriend Michael Rifkin is not a Mossad operative. Then her taking it out on Tony when he shot Michael.

Cranston asks Ziva what she's looking for. "I want something permanent. Something that can't be taken away," Ziva says.

In MTAC Gibbs talks to Hargrove, who says he and his wife Nancy thought of Reynolds like family. But he wasn't good at politics and tended to speak his mind too freely. Hargrove says Reynolds definitely would have pushed back against an aggressive journalist.

Back on the ship, Gibbs and Tony asks Kwan for an alibi. He doesn't want to give one but finally says he was sending encrypted emails through a sub – to North Korea. He says they can arrest him for espionage, but he's not a murderer.

Cranston tries to buttonhole Gibbs, by suggesting he has a problem with professional women. Cranston follows Gibbs to Abby in the lab.

She says the weapon was older, a TT 30. She has found 28 dealers who had versions of the gun and is narrowing.

Down in the morgue, Tony complains that Cranston is judging him.

Duckie says the gun was held against Reynolds' chest. He had fractures on his hands. Duckie thinks the gunshot angle should have been higher.

Cranston joins them and Tony leaves. She tells Duckie he's the least of her concern since he seems balanced.

He tells her there are times he feels melancholy. Flash back to him talking to Kate's corpse.

Upstairs, Abby found one name linked to the gun, a seaman named Marcus Leonard. Gibbs suggests he take Cranston with him.

She asks him about working without Tony. McGee admits it's nice sometimes.

She recites his impressive resume, but suggests "something feels stunted." She asks if he'd like to be in a committed relationship.

Flashback to McGee's bad history with women.

At Leonard's house, McGee breaks in. Cranston follows him. Leonard is supposed to be at sea.

They find a room chockfull of guns of every shape and size.

Ziva talks to Leonard on the ship about his beef with Reynolds. Leonard says Reynolds plays favorites. He says he gave his TT 30 to a friend in Ohio.

Tony tries to get something from the vending machine and fails. Cranston observes. Flash back to Tony turning down his own team in Spain. He says we make decisions and live with them.

McGee reports that the victim's brother Peter said Vincent was in a long term relationship with a woman named Nancy. Gibbs wants to talk to Admiral Hargrove's wife.

Cranston visits Abby, who confesses she doesn't want to learn things about herself she might hate. Cranston tells her she works too hard. She asks if she hangs out with her female coworkers. Flashback to Ziva going for a weekend with Kate. She says misses Kate.

Cranston suggests she befriend people on the team, and suggests McGee.

Flashback to McGee realizing he slept in and did other things in a coffin at Abby's.

Abby's computer gets a match to the residue on Reynolds' hands: tape adhesive.

Gibbs meets with Nancy Hargrove in a park. She plays coy at first, then says they saw each other for over 20 years. She doesn't think her husband knew. They only get together when Hargrove was away.

Gibbs mentions how Reynolds didn't have anything in his life except the Navy.

Cranston joins Vance in the parking lot, asking if he's spoken to anyone about his recent shooting. Flashback to Vance being told he was never supposed to succeed as director.

Cranston thinks the attack on his life terrified him and now he's second-guessing himself. Gibbs calls for Vance. "Are you sure?" Vance says.

Back on the ship, Gibbs has a list of people he wants to talk to. Tony says he's breaking rule No. 1.

Gibbs and Oliver meet with petty officers Oliver and Howard, who found Reynolds' body. Gibbs tells them Reynolds' father was in WWII and Korea, he carried a gun given to him by a Russian officer. He had it with him on board.

The only DNA on the tape was Reynolds' own. They mention again that Reynolds was near retirement and was about to lose the only thing that mattered to him.

Gibbs suggests Howard and Oliver found him with the gun taped to his hand. They admit they staged the scene. Oliver says Reynolds was a man of honor and deserves to be buried like one.

In the morgue, Tony stands over Reynolds. Cranston asks what he sees. Tony sees a man who dedicated himself to his job his whole life and had nothing to show for it.

She asks how it makes him feel. "Afraid," he says.

She says people know he's a good agent.

Flash back to Tony angry at Kate for not following his lead.

Cranston suggests Kate was hard on him because she knew what he was capable of. She says it's too bad she didn't get a chance to tell him.

"I think I just realized who you are, Rachel," Tony says.

Cut to Gibbs finding a woman asleep on the floor behind her desk. And flashback to him finding Kate there. This time it's Cranston and he brings her coffee.

She reminds him he hasn't talked to her. He says there's no point, he's not changing.

Then he says when she was lying there, she looked just like her sister.

Flashback to Gibbs finding Kate in the pilot and offering her a job. Then getting shot on the beach.

Gibbs asks Cranston if she found what she was looking for. She's glad to meet the people closest to Kate when she died. She doesn't think she has closure just yet.

Gibbs takes Cranston to his basement. He tells her to stand in a spot, then tells her she's standing where the man who killed her sister died – where Ziva shot her own brother. That, he says, is closure. "The rest is just memories," he says.

Flash back to Kate calling her sister to complain about Gibbs. Rachel missed the funeral.

Cranston has a story for Gibbs: A man walks into a bar. The bartender takes out a shotgun and shoots, just missing the man. The man says thank you and leaves a tip. Why the thank you and why the tip? "The guy had the hiccups," Gibbs says.

She says it's all about responses, and if we keep things bottled up, even the harshest response seems appropriate.

Vance reads her report, saying of the team in clinical terms, "they're a disaster." But they do what they have to, when they have to. She warns him eventually it might catch up to him.

Defiance

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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Nick Eversman (Judd Stern), Kevin Cahoon (Joe Don Wynn), David Monahan (Regional Security Officer Randy Stimson), Teddy Saunders (Young Man), Sarah Edwards (Nurse Samantha), Christopher Redman (Carl Fleming), Ray Laska (Defense Minister Andor Gorgova), Randy Oglesby (Army Brigadier General Scott Oliver), Lorraine Toussaint (Deputy Director Donna Wolfson), Elena Satine (Adriana Gorgova)
Production Code: 177
Summary: When a marine dies to save the life of a Belgravian prime minister from an assassination attempt, the NCIS team is put on the job of protecting the minister's daughter that is currently studying in the USA while investigating the death of the marine.



Tony sits in the back of an ambulance, with a scratch on his head. Vance shows up, angry as hell. Tony and McGee are soaking wet. A car is crashed nearby. He tells Ziva it's an FBI crime scene now. "If this isn't rectified in 48 hours, I want DiNozzo and McGee's badges on my desk," he tells Gibbs .

Three Days Earlier In "Belgravia," a crowd awaits the Belgravia defense minister, Andor Gorgorva, who is meeting with the US Secretary of State about a proposed treaty. A man listens to a news report about the meeting and assembles a suicide bomber's vest. Another man prepares him for his mission.

After the meeting, the suicide bomber waits in the crowd as the defense minister comes out. A man in uniform spies the bomber and thinks he looks suspicious. He yells at him to stop. The man runs, then turns. He detonates his bomb, but not near anyone but the guard.

In the office, McGee and Ziva come to get Tony for the blood drive. He tries to think of a reason to get out of it.

Gibbs and Vance talk to Deputy Director Donna Wolfson in MTAC. The Belgravian authorities and state department think a local dissident group is behind the marine guard's death. NCIS will provide security to the defense minister's 24-year-old daughter Adriana Gorgova, a graduate student at John Hamilton University in DC.

Tony tries to talk her up to McGee.

Ziva and McGee go to find her. A woman walks out. She looks nothing like her nerdfied picture. She's not happy to have a protective detail. A slacker dude named Judd says hi to her. She shoes him off and then tells Ziva and McGee that very few people know who her dad is and she wants to keep it that way.

Back at NCIS, her reads her the riot act, saying she has to accept NCIS's help. She intends to keep her regular schedule, including bikini wax.

Gibbs talks to someone in Belgravia in MTAC, trying to follow up on the marine guard's death. Vance tells Gibbs to back off and stick to protection detail.

In Adriana's apartment, she freaks out when her computer crashes. McGee gives it a look and fixes it. Tony and Gibbs come to take over. When McGee leaves, she calls him "Timmy" and checks that he'll be back in the morning.

Duckie comes to work with Palmer and finds a body on his slab – it's Gibbs catching a nap. Duckie is awaiting info on Jennings, the guard. He was embalmed. Gibbs wants info on the bomb to ID the bomber.

Ziva and McGee follow Adriana to visit with her Prof Flemming. She assures them he's harmless, but they come in. It's the man who suited up the suicide bomber.

Ziva texts Ray. She asks McGee how much longer he thinks their team will be together. He thinks he might want to lead his own team someday.

Adriana's friend Judd comes by to wait outside the professor's office. He says he does odd jobs at a machine shop in exchange for a place to live.

Abby comes by to harangue Tony about not giving blood yet. He finally admits that ever since he was in the hospital, he's been afraid of needles.

At Adriana's apartment, Ziva asks about her dad. Adriana doesn't agree with his politics. Ziva can relate to a dad who's first love is his country.

Adriana changes for her run. Tony's all suited up to go with her. Adriana asks if McGee is seeing anyone.

In the lab, Duckie and Palmer pluck a gazillion pieces of shrapnel out of Jennings and send them to Abby.

On their run, Adriana flirts with McGee.

Back at her apartment, Adriana sends Tony for food. She goes to get in the shower then yells to McGee for help. He comes to find a bulb is out. She kisses him, but he says he can't. He gets a stepladder to change the light while she goes for bulbs in the kitchen. When there's a knock at the door, she answers before he can stop her.

Two masked men with guns take her away. McGee calls Tony and they get in a car to follow. But they have to swerve to avoid a bicyclist and end up crashed into a fire hydrant. They lose her.

Cut to Vance chewing out Gibbs, threatening to take badges. The kidnapers have called Gorgova, demanding he not sign the treaty. The signing ceremony has been put on hold.

McGee tells Gibbs he takes responsibility and offers to resign. Gibbs asks if he broke protocol and when McGee says he didn't, Gibbs says they're all part of a team.

Back at NCIS, Abby does a Chinese good luck chant for Tony and McGee. Gibbs has no doubt that Vance could make them retire.

Abby has reports on the bomb. The tiny pieces match the bomb signature of another US bomb maker, Joe Don Wynn. He was nabbed by ATF two weeks ago.

Back from their FBI interviews, McGee and Tony are running on two nights without sleep. Gibbs wonders aloud if the FBI might have missed anything in Adriana's apartment.

Tony, McGee and Ziva go check it out. Tony just happens to have a leftover FBI crime scene sign to get through.

Gibbs meets with Joe Don Wynn, the bomber. After some threatening, Wynn says an American approached him. He tracked him down, he's a professor at John Hamilton named Flemming.

Inside Adriana's apartment, McGee finds something was stuck in the electrical plug to trip the breaker. Tony says he changed in there before the run and the lights were working. Adriana was the only other one in there. McGee wonders how should would have tipped off her kidnapers.

Tony cites the gun in the toilet in "The Godfather" and finds a cell phone in hers.

Back at NCIS, they find Flemming was in Belgravia recently. They think the kidnapping is a hoax. They track the toilet cell phone to a warehouse. They find a car with a John Hamilton faculty parking sticker. They find one of the kidnapper's masks inside. And a dead prof. Flemming in the trunk.

Gibbs reports the Embassy just received a ransom demand for \$10 million.

Vance and Gibbs report to Wolfson and Gorgova in MTAC. He can believe his daughter would be involved with her kidnapping over politics, but she had a trust fund with plenty of money. Gibbs explains it may have started that way, but changed.

Wolfson chides Vance to make his agents stay out of it after their "screw up."

When the conference is over, Gibbs asks why Vance assumes they screwed up. He says if Adriana was in on it, no one could have prevented it.

In the lab, Abby finds a text on Adriana's phone from a minute before she was kidnapped. It said "NOW." It's registered to Judd.

Cut to Adriana bound and gagged at Judd's place. He's offering her food when flash bangs fly in the window. The team busts in. Judd runs, but they catch him.

Adriana says she just wanted to stop her father from signing the treaty. She didn't know Flemming was behind the assassination attempt.

Back at NCIS, the defense treaty has been signed. Adriana is going home with her dad, free because of diplomatic immunity.

Abby brings the Red Cross nurse up Tony. She's super hot, so he's willing to give it a shot.

From above, Gibbs gets the stink eye from Vance.

Kill Screen

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Season Episode: 16

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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Beth Riesgraf (Maxine Edwards), Jason Beghe (Blake Martin), Tamer Hassan (Agah Bayar), Ava Gaudet (Lisa Bock), Vincent Ward (Cop), Michael Malota (Billy Sullivan), Steven C. Parker (Passing Player)
Production Code: 178
Summary: The NCIS team has to find a ruthless murderer after the dismembered fingertips and teeth of a murdered Marine are found in a pickpocket's stolen purse.



A pick pocket works the crowd at an outdoor mall, coming away with a wallet and Chanel purse. A police officer stops him and asks to see inside the purse. He drops it. Finger tips roll out.

At NCIS, Gibbs gets angry at his computer. He whacks it with a bat. McGee works on it.

Tony and Ziva arrive and McGee says his horoscope advised him to avoid relationships.

Gibbs arrives to report pieces of a dead marine, Corporal Zach Armstrong. There are also teeth. The pick pocket grabbed the purse off someone at a hot dog cart.

McGee reports the county coroner has a body found tied to a tree, missing his fingers and teeth.

Back at the lab, the DNA confirms the body is Armstrong. He was shot in the head after he was dead. His records say he's 5'6" but the body is over 6 foot.

Almost every bone in his body was dislocated. He was tied up and stretched to death.

Back upstairs, they find he was a decorated soldier, set to go to Afghanistan. He captured two high profile terrorists while in Iraq.

Witnesses saw him arguing with a woman outside a movie theater the night before he was killed.

Blake Martin (Jason Beghe) from Fiber Key security drops by, doing private security for the Pentagon. He's investigating several computer breeches from NCIS. Vance assigned McGee (the hacker) to help him.

McGee gets an alert that Armstrong's credit card has been used. They go to a laser tag facility. The gamers know him as "McGeeminator".

They find the Max who used the card. It's Maxine (Beth Riesgraf), Armstrong's ex-girlfriend. She says she dumped him a week or so ago when she found out he was cheating. She took the card because he owed her money. She seems surprised to learn he's dead. She says he gave her an envelope to hold on to while he was in Afghanistan.

Ziva encourages McGee to go with Max to get the envelope, even though he protests he's supposed to be avoiding relationships.

In the lab, Abby has started a defense fund for McGee. She traced the knock-off Chanel purse to a factory in Indonesia. Duckie found patchouli in the scratches on Armstrong's face.

McGee escorts Max home and they dork talk about gaming. She heard the "avoiding relationships" line to Ziva and assures McGee he's not her type. She hands over the envelope.

He notices her super deluxo computer and then recognizes her gaming handle as holding the high score on every on-line game he plays.

"You're awesome," he tells her.

She admits he is her type.

He composes himself and says he should go. But then shots come in through the window and he grabs her and covers her on the floor. She suggests he stay.

Later, Ziva and Gibbs check out the scene. Ziva teases McGee that Max is his girlfriend. They can't legally open Armstrong's envelope because it's sealed.

Some of Max's neighbors saw a strange car in the area.

Gibbs sends McGee back to NCIS to run the partial plate.

Blake Martin chats up McGee making him extremely nervous. Martin was a former force recon Marine but now just does security.

Abby has matched the bullets from Max's house to the one in Armstrong. Armstrong's will was in the envelope, leaving \$1 million to his mom and \$5 million to various charities – except that he's broke.

Martin suggests maybe Armstrong hid his money and they should use a forensic account.

McGee gets a hit on the partial plate: Lisa Bock, a martial arts teacher assigned to anger management classes.

Tony and Ziva crash Lisa's yoga class.

She calls Maxine a "man-stealing piece of-" and says they both dated Armstrong. He gave her a fake will when he left for Afghanistan. She knew it was fake because she found a bunch of copies when she went through his desk. He kept them to make women think he was rich, the same reason kept a bunch of fake Chanel purses.

Lisa smells like patchouli and says she might have hit him when they broke up. She was teaching a class when Max's apartment was shot up.

Lisa says Armstrong was on a million dating sites and they should check them out.

McGee and Abby go through Armstrong's computer and find an eavesdropping program installed two days ago before he was killed.

It's only monitoring game ports, but he has no games.

McGee and Gibbs talk to Max about her gaming. She admits she might have used his card to buy games. She realizes someone was trying to bug her.

Two days ago she was playing a game and broke her record, but she hit a "kill screen" and the game crashed.

She said it was weird and looked like encrypted data. She has screen shots.

She remembers the time – Armstrong's computer was bugged one minute later. "So Armstrong is dead because she won a video game?" Gibbs asks.

McGee shows Gibbs the "kill screen" Maxine stumbled on while playing Fear Tower.

Ziva talked to the head of L9 games, who make the game. Reed Synder was the lead programmer. He disappeared two days ago.

They find records of several large wire transfers to Synder, including one from Agah Bayar – an arms dealer.

Gibbs interviews Bayar, who says he commissioned Synder to create a video game to showcase some of his "more exotic merchandise."

He shows Bayar the kill screen shots. Bayar offers to help decipher it. He says he was in Vera Cruz with the governor two days ago. The State Department confirms his alibi.

In the office, they find Snyder is suspected of hacking the Pentagon. They think Snyder is putting secret codes in video games and selling the decryption keys. Hitting the kill screen accidentally exposed them.

Gibbs visits Duckie in the lab for a psych profile of Snyder. He left a manifesto calling for a revolution against computer society. He liked to play WWII board games – on the side of the Axis.

Ziva joins them and reports Snyder recently purchased a home in Morocco. They also got a hit on his car.

Tony and McGee head to the location, an abandoned sort-of power plant. Tony asks McGee if he's going to ask Maxine out and encourages him to go for it. They find Snyder. Dead.

Back in the morgue, Duckie finds Snyder has been dead since before Armstrong was killed. His fingertips were also cut off.

Abby has decoded the kill screen code. He was selling his hacking program. If the game was downloaded on to enough computers they could be harnessed to hack the most protected servers.

Gibbs goes to call the Pentagon, but McGee thinks someone there might already know.

He questions Martin, and accuses him of knowing about the leaks out of NCIS a long time before reporting them.

Being there now would allow him to follow the Armstrong investigation. Snyder's hacks made him look bad, and he worried he's lose his private security contract, so they think he killed Snyder and then Armstrong when the kill screen was triggered.

They tell him they found his finger print on the hot dog cart.

Martin says no one could get enough evidence to get Snyder and he wasn't willing to wait.

They have his confession, and admit they didn't have his finger print.

Abby summons them to the lab.

She found an insurance policy in Snyder's program – if he didn't enter a code every week his hacking program would launch. And it has launched and is already attacking Pentagon servers with the unwitting help of 15 million gamer's computers.

McGee says if they can find the mainframe, he might be able to shut it down.

They head back to where Snyder's body was found.

McGee guides Tony, Ziva and Gibbs from MTAC. With less than three minutes left, they bust through a wall and trigger a security system.

Gibbs flips on a camera and McGee guides him through the abandoned plant. McGee realizes it's like a giant video game – sort of like Gibbs is Pac-Man going through the maze.

Something explodes, but it's just dust and Gibbs is fine. The clock is under one minute.

Gibbs reaches Snyder's mainframe and McGee tries to slowly guide him through how to shut down the computer.

He hears shots.

Gibbs blasted the computer.

McGee runs into Maxine as she's leaving NCIS. Tony finished up her debriefing. She thanks McGee for his message, and says eight o'clock works great for her. She thanks him and kisses him on the cheek as she leaves.

Tony informs McGee that he has a date for laser tag with her. McGee says thanks and means it. Gibbs tries to get his computer to work but ends up yelling at it. McGee runs to help. "Don't shoot!"

One Last Score

Season 8

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Season Episode: 17

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Production Code: 179
Summary: When the NCIS team learns of a shocking murder of one of their former investigative assistants, they soon find out that the victim has been selling information on how to rob a warehouse full of expensive possessions. Meanwhile, a new special agent is added to the team.



A young couple is kissing on the roof of a parking garage. Interrupted, they decide to rejoin a party, and as they are walking through the garage, the boy slips on a puddle. Curious, they first think it's an oil slick, but then realize it's blood – there's a body under a nearby car. (CREDITS)

McGee turns off the monitors, announcing it's time to "hit the showers." Ziva protests, misunderstanding the id-

iom. Sniffing McGee, she tells him that he smells fine. Tony, walking by, attributes it to McGee's cologne. Ziva realizes that it's an expression. Ziva asks Tony if he showered that day – he says no, he's like Brad Pitt, and only showers three times a week. (Under his breath, McGee mutters, "You should.") As they walk to the elevators, they see maintenance men moving desks around, and McGee says that Vance wasn't kidding about there being changes. Ziva says softly, "We're going to lose some people," as the elevator doors opens, and Gibbs comes back with, "We already have – NCIS investigative assistant found dead in a garage. Grab your gear." As the garage door closes, Gibbs waves his hand in front of his face and grimaces, "Somebody stinks!"

Victim is Oliver Froman, a temporary worker from NCIS' Procurement Fraud Division, hired a few months ago and recently let go. Ziva asks if Terry Thomas is still the supervisor at the Fraud Squad, which McGee confirms. They grimace. Ducky won't let them move the body quite yet, since Jimmy is under the car trying to determine liver temperature. Jimmy gets stuck, and McGee attempts to open the car with the key found at the scene; however, the key doesn't seem to belong to that car. After the car is jacked up, Ziva carefully extracts a fiber from under the car, as Jimmy tells Tony that he showers about 18-19 times a week. McGee is surprised he has any skin left. Ducky tells them that the death was massive blood loss from multiple stab wounds, about two hours previously. As Gibbs and McGee wander off to find the victim's car, Tony asks Ziva

how often she showers. "After just about any conversation with you, Tony." Jimmy and McGee snicker. Gibbs and McGee find the victim's car, packed with belongings – "looks like he lost his job and hit the road," observes Gibbs. However, the trunk is full of tagged items seized from NCIS. "This guy was looting the office!" exclaims McGee. Terry Thomas is helping move Froman's belongings to the team's office – he stutters badly as he explains that Froman understood he was a temporary hire. Thomas goes on to explain that the seized items were being prepared for auction for the Leona Phelps case. Gibbs has brief questions and then dismisses him abruptly, to which Thomas observes that "He would be terrible at customer service!"

In Autopsy, Tony likens Froman's death to "Psycho", the movie, where the disgruntled employee steals from the office on the way out of town and is killed. Ducky observes that the movie was based on a serial killer named Ed Gein, who liked to give gifts of smoked venison to neighbors – after he was arrested, police discovered that the venison was actually parts of human bodies stored in the smokehouse. Jimmy is appalled. Ducky theorizes that the murderer was experienced, because they use upward stabs instead of downward stabs.

Vance is surprised that Gibbs knocks on his door before entering. "Trying to stay on your good side," explains Gibbs. They discuss that the seized items were taken from a case concerning Phelps, who had run the Armed Forces Credit Union until she went into the private sector and created a "financial house of cards", was investigated and caught by NCIS. Vance reminds Gibbs that the billions that she invested has yet to be found and is appealing her case. "Nothing disrupts that prosecution," he warns Gibbs. As Gibbs begins to leave, he asks, "Do any of these personnel decisions affect my team?" Vance growls, "I'll let you know."

A slim blonde in black leather enters the office, chatting on her cell phone that the "Home Office looks exactly the same as ours . . ." Tony and Ziva are mulling over Froman's history, wondering where he was headed. The blonde's voice carries over the cubicles, catching Tony's attention briefly. Ziva observes that phone logs don't show any calls to family and that he didn't call ahead. The blonde interjects, "Not if you want to surprise them." Tony wonders if he has a criminal record, and the blonde interjects again, "You can't have a criminal record and work for us." Ziva stares her down. "And you? You work for us?" The blonde introduces herself as E. J. Barrett. Tony and Ziva introduce themselves. E.J. begins to rearrange her desk to suit herself as Tony and Ziva edge away to talk to Abby. Ziva is a little put off by E.J.'s interruption, and Tony pulls her away.

Abby has identified the fragment Ziva found as leather – "Leather. It's skin. It's flesh, it's tanned, stretched, processed, dyed dead flesh." McGee is trying to ignore her, as she launches into a description of various leathers. Abby tells McGee that she is trying to get the DNA of the leather, because there were no fingerprints at the scene, suggesting that the killer wore gloves.

Tony and Ziva are arguing – she is annoyed that E.J. butted into the conversation uninvited, and maintains that there is an expectation of privacy in the office. Tony excuses her, "She was just chatting over the hedge." "It IS over the edge!" exclaims Ziva, misunderstanding. As they meet McGee and Abby, Tony asks what they are discussing. "Tanning hides," replies Abby, "And you?" "The same," gripes Ziva menacingly. McGee recovers information from Froman's computer that show the location of the warehouse where things seized in the Phelps case were stored, guard schedules and security codes. None of the information was found on Froman, suggesting that Froman sold the information to someone else, and was killed instead of being paid. Tony observes, "There's going to be a heist!"

In the office, the team is reviewing the Phelps case, noting that the seized items would bring \$75 million at auction. Gibbs decides to visit Phelps in prison, ("Camp Cupcake"), but as he is leaving, E.J. offers an observation: "Schemer like her was probably involved." Tony introduces them: "E.J. – L.J., or Gibbs. She's new," he tells Gibbs as Gibbs barely nods in her direction as he walks out. "He's old," he offers E.J., who says that she wouldn't put it past Phelps to rob herself. "You've met her?" asks Tony, and E.J. tells him that her team was responsible for bringing her down when they brought her to Vance's attention. "You have a team?" says Ziva disbelievingly. "I'm the team leader," E.J. corrects her, "With two other agents. We're transferring here from Rota, Spain." Tony blinks – that was the office Jenny had offered him when Gibbs came back from retirement several years ago.

At the warehouse, Tony observes that it "looks like Xanadu" with all the crates lined up. The guard says that none of paintings have ever come to life and jump out at them. Tony asks him, "Are you referring to the Olivia Newton-John movie?" "Aren't you?" asks the guard. "Xanadu –

Citizen Kane's house?" "Oh – that's a little embarrassing," answers the guard uncomfortably. Spying a sled, Ziva asks the guard, "How would you know if anyone took Rosebud out to go sledding?" "Nice!" says Tony approvingly, and the guard declares that no one unauthorized has been in. Tony reverently picks up a pair of tagged sunglasses. "These are Steve McQueen's sunglasses from The Thomas Crown Affair!" he exclaims, trying them on. "Now, that was a heist!" agrees the guard. Ziva tells the guard that they are going to check things over, in case the security had been leaked. Tony tells Ziva that the sunglasses sold the year before for \$70,000 at auction. Tony then tells Ziva that he had turned down to transfer to Europe. Ziva tells him that she had heard that Jenny had offered him a team, and is surprised when Tony tells her that it was the Rota office.

At the prison, Phelps tells Gibbs that they had better be watching her things, and ungraciously kicking an errant volleyball back to the players, declares that if she has to play another volleyball game, she's going to kill someone. Gibbs tells her that it would get her "another nice room in super-max." Phelps is thoroughly unpleasant. She comments that she thought money was supposed to buy justice. "Well, it can't buy class," interjects McGee, and Phelps turns a glare onto Gibbs. "Am I talking to you, or your acid-tongued little errand boy?" she inquires caustically. While interviewing her, Gibbs tells her that her belongings have been relocated and is surprised that Phelps doesn't seem to know that. Gibbs hands her a list of her belongings and asks her who might want to steal it, but she abruptly leaves, telling him that she is late for the pastry class that Martha Stewart started when she was there.

Back at the office, McGee is still aghast at Phelps's coldness. He has a stack of DVDs, testimony from victims that they are going to review. Tony and Ziva have tightened security at the warehouse, and are in the surveillance truck watching the guard playing invisible baseball in the warehouse. Ziva keeps offering food to Tony until he asks her why, and she tells him that his blood sugar is low – "or else, something else is bothering you." Tony glares at her and, snatching an apple from her, takes a deliberate bite.

Back at the office, Gibbs is reviewing the testimony DVDs when E.J. peers over the wall. "Need anything, Barrett?" he inquires. "Nope. Do you need anything, Gibbs?" He doesn't answer, and she leaves, as he stares thoughtfully at his desk.

Back at the warehouse, one of the newly-installed motion detectors is tripped. Ziva and Tony rush in, only to find Gibbs in the warehouse. He tells them that nothing is missing – it's already been taken, and that Phelps eye went straight to a particular page in the inventory. One possibility is a desk that had belonged to William Faulkner. "I love his writing!" enthuses Ziva in awe. "Total genius!" agrees Tony. Ziva waxes rhapsodic: "It was worth learning English just for The Sound and the Fury!" Gibbs discovers that the desk has been jimmed – and the secret compartment is empty.

Ziva tries to maneuver the Faulkner desk into Abby's office so she can examine it. Abby hasn't had any luck identifying the leather, other than it was a Holstein calf, and when Ziva asks her about what is on the monitor, she tells her that it's something for Barrett. They move the desk into the evidence garage for Abby to examine.

In Interrogation, Gibbs has had Phelps brought in, and tells her that the secret compartment in the desk was empty. "I was robbed!" she says mockingly. Gibbs asks her if she would like to file a claim. "We'll need to know what was in there," he says archly. Barrett is watching from the observation room as Tony walks in. He stops short, seeing her, and then asks her what her read of the interview is. She says that "Phelps hates feeling like a prisoner, so Gibbs salts the wound, keeps her emotional, he stays cerebral." Tony congratulates her off-handedly, commenting that "that's how you get the captain's 'C' on your jersey." Barrett asks him if he's a jock, and he admits to basketball and some other stuff. "Varsity?" she asks. "Team captain," he admits. "I was a cheerleader, myself," she tells him, "but I never got past J.V." She then leaves for a meeting with Vance, but as she leaves, she tells Tony, "She'll want to deal." Sure enough, Phelps tells Gibbs that she knows who stole it, but she wants him to do something for her.

In Vance's office, he tells Barrett that as soon as they have found everything about the victim, he wants them to come back with her. Gibbs walks in without knocking and, slamming the door behind him, stands silently. Vance dismisses Barrett. As Barrett leaves, Vance glances down and closes a file. Gibbs tells him that Phelps will give them the name of the killer if she can have house arrest instead of prison. Vance refuses – no deals – until Gibbs tells him, "This one's a steal."

McGee is reviewing large heists in the past few years, using some colorful language to describe

a casino heist, much to Tony's amusement – McGee is describing it lyrically as if he were Thom E. Gemcity. They narrow it down to one man, just as Gibbs comes in and tells them that he's made a deal to release Phelps from prison. He takes Ziva with him and McGee and Tony exchange startled looks. Phelps exits the jail dressed in a chinchilla jacket, complimenting Gibbs on his fast work. Phelps gives them the name of Otto Brock – the same guy McGee had identified, a cellmate of one of the guys who did a two-year stretch for the casino heist. McGee tells Gibbs that Brock is dead – Virginia State Police found his body a few hours earlier. Gibbs turns to Phelps, who gives him a knowing smile.

In Autopsy, Ducky is examining Otto Brock's body, recovered from a trashed hotel room, and tells Tony that Otto was killed the same way as Froman – same knife, same wounds. McGee and Tony pace around Autopsy as they put together a likely scenario involving disgruntled thieves, until Tony declares, "There just one question we have to answer on this heist: What would Steve McQueen do?"

Gibbs drives Phelps to her estate, and Ziva comments that it doesn't seem fair that she gets to go home after giving them the name of a dead man. Phelps ignores her, and tells Gibbs that "you ought to muzzle your pups, Gibbs – they all seem to have a problem with barking." Gibbs shrugs: "Well, this one's problem is definitely her bite." Phelps maintains that there was nothing she could have done in jail, and when Ziva tells her it didn't look so bad, Phelps sniffs, "You've obviously never had your freedom taken away." Ziva laughs shortly and tells Gibbs, "A real gift for reading people, this one." Gibbs discreetly lifts something silvery off the porch and puts it in an evidence bag as Ziva snaps a monitor anklet on Phelps.

Back in the office, McGee and Tony are still trying to figure out the heist, and consider the idea that the casino thieves stashed their money with Phelps, only to have it disappear. Abby has figured out what was in the desk at some point – Phelps' leather bound bookkeeping ledger, probably with records of secret accounts.

At Phelps' house, she opens a secret panel and withdraws the leather-bound ledger and a bottle of brandy. Taking it to the fireplace, she is suddenly accosted by Otto's partner, who is bitter at losing the money and not finding the ledger. He wants the ledger and tells her that he also wants her blood – and shows her a knife. Phelps flees out the door, tripping the alarm. Gibbs and Ziva are waiting outside, as Tony calls to tell them that the DNA on the gum wrapper matches Ruleo Medilla, one of the thieves. Phelps runs to their car, chased by Medilla. Ziva grabs her and Gibbs chases him – car chase! Forced off the road, Medilla runs to attack Gibbs, who shows him a gun. Medilla gives up.

At the office, Tony is complimenting Gibbs on the car chase and compares him to Sam Peckinpah. "You'd have made a great director, Boss!" Tony tells him. "Yeah, well, I've already got one of those," mutters Gibbs, eyeing Vance walking to his office. Tony asks Gibbs if he's noticed that the new girl likes to shower at the office before she goes home. Gibbs gives him a half-hearted head-slap as he turns to leave, and while Tony is deep in thought, he misses Gibbs' comment. As the elevator door closes, Gibbs asks, "Hey! Did you hear me?"

In the locker room, E.J. is showering. Tony enters and tells her that he was offered her job and turned it down. She says, "Thank you?" asks for a towel, and then asks why. He tells her that he wanted this team, "here in D.C., the varsity." E.J. asks him how Gibbs felt about it, and he tells her that Gibbs gave it to him, and that he was pretty good at it. "The previous director, Director Shephard, saw something in me," he comments. E.J. emerges from the shower with the towel wrapped around her. "Smart woman," she says, moving closer to Tony and looking up at him. A beat, and then Tony smiles and tells E.J., "There are rules against this." "No, there aren't," answers E.J. as she moves closer.

Out of the Frying Pan...

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Guest Stars: S.E. Perry (Retired Marine Colonel Yale Peyton), Ron Morehouse (Parking Enforcement Officer Bixby), Gregg Daniel (Parking Enforcement Officer Riggs), Amy Landecker (Dr. Ellen Gracey), Daphne Ashbrook (Donna Peyton), Don McManus (Mark Stafford), Cameron Monaghan (Nick Peyton), Dmitri Schuyler-Linch (Young Nick Peyton)
Production Code: 180
Summary: Gibbs is confused about Vance's order to cross-examine a teenage boy accused of killing his own father, a retired Marine.



Two guys from the parking enforcement bureau pull up on a car parked in a neighborhood. The young one wants to just knock on the guy's door to ask him to move his car. He rings the bell – and sees a man hacked up with an axe inside.

Tony, Ziva and McGee arrive at work to see boxes of files near their desks. Ziva fishes out Tony for info on Agent Barrett. He knows she and her team are out of

town for a few weeks.

The boxes contain Metro PD files. Gibbs comes but doesn't announce the body of the week.

Then Vance does. The body has been in the morgue for two weeks.

Gibbs visits Vance. The victim is retired Marine Col. Neal Peyton, a 25 year vet. He was struck seven times with an axe. Metro turned the case over to the U.S. Attorney, who's an old friend of Vance's. They're taking it. Metro had a circumstantial case. They have a suspect but need a confession.

Vance mentions his US. Attny friend is up for a judgeship. Gibbs thinks they're being used for politics, but Vance says it's about catching a murderer.

The team reviews the files. Metro questioned the suspect for 20 hours and got nowhere. Gibbs and Tony go interview the suspect – a polite teenage boy.

Gibbs plays good cop, Tony takes bad, telling Nick he had means, opportunity and motive. "I'm sure you'll get just as far as the police did, which is not very," Nick says calmly.

As Tony explains they know Nick has access to the house and axe in the garage, Gibbs interjects asking the kid about his skateboarding.

Tony moves on to motive, which Metro didn't prove. Gibbs fiddles with his watch while Tony asks where he was his dad died. He says he didn't do it, he loved his dad.

Tony tells him they'll prove he did it.

In the morgue, Duckie says there were a lot of blows to the victim's head, a sign of personal rage. Ziva says Nick is 18, although he looks 12.

In the garage, Abby recreates the entire living room crime scene. The victim's tablet computer was next to the body. Nick's fingerprints were everywhere, but he lives there. Abby says his tox screen at the time of the murder showed he was on a cocktail of pills.

Ziva and McGee talk to a Dr. Ellen Gracie at a rehab facility. She says Nick was there three times for addiction to pills but never finished the program. She says Nick is strong willed, but doesn't think he's capable of murder. She can't give details about his complicated relationship with his dad.

In interrogation, Gibbs plays home movies for Nick. Nick won't even look at his dad.

Vance arrives with Nick's unsealed juvenile records. There were three violent altercations between the two. His dad tried to send him to military school, but none would take him. He thinks Nick hated his dad.

Later, Gibbs shuts off the home movies. Nick has fallen asleep. Gibbs wakes him up and asks why he hated his dad.

"This isn't gonna work," Nick says, because he didn't kill his dad.

Back in the office, McGee snoops around EJ Barrett's desk. He finds it locked.

Ziva reports Donna Peyton left two years ago without a trace.

They wonder if his dad isn't the first parent Nick killed.

McGee and Ziva talk to a neighbor, Mark Stafford, who says Nick was a nightmare. He saw Nick come home at 8:30 p.m. the night of the murder. He says Nick was high and drove his car on the sidewalk then dropped his fast food on his lawn.

He saw Nick go into the house and heard him start arguing with his dad about drugs and money.

Nick's car was gone when he came back at 10 p.m. Stafford's teenage daughter died last year of an overdose.

Gibbs rejoins Nick with a bag of fast food. Nick says he's vegan. They show him footage of him in the drive-thru, where the woman who helped him said he was high.

Nick says he saw Casablanca that night, but Tony busts him for not knowing a scene. They ask him how often he blacks out. Gibbs asks Nick if he can say for certain that he didn't kill his dad. Nick says no.

Vance pressures Gibbs to go hard at Nick. He gives him three hours to make Nick talk or he's going in himself.

Gibbs visits Duckie, who's reading Nick's Metro interview transcripts.

Duckie says the original cause of death was wrong. He fitted the skull bones back together and found a hole – not from an axe.

Duckie says Nick might have been framed.

In the lab, Abby shows Gibbs the contents of the colonel's tablet. He had an email account that only one other person knew about: Dr. Ellen Gracie, the rehab doc. There are steamy emails from her. She got a call from a gas station phone two blocks from the time scene 10 minutes after the murder.

Ziva and McGee revisit Gracie. She says Nick didn't know about her relationship with his dad. She says Nick called her that night and left a message. She plays it for them. He's crying and panicked, asking where she is. He says, "he's dead."

Vance goes in to talk to Nick carrying an axe. Gibbs reminds him he's bringing down a kid, not a tree.

In interrogation, Vance says his dad must have been ashamed of him. Nick says his dad loved him. Vance says his dad put him in rehab to get rid of him. Vance says Nick's dad thought he was a failure. Nick starts to cry and asks where Gibbs is. They play Nick's voice mail. He says he just left the house and there's blood everywhere. "Oh god, what have I done?" he says.

Vance continues to berate Nick as he cries. Vance says his dad blamed him for his mom leaving and for ruining his life and then he gave up on Nick.

Nick asks how Vance would know that. Gibbs is shocked watching when Vance then says that Nick's dad told him. He was a friend of Vance's.

Nick says his dad only cared about the Corps.

Vance puts a picture of the colonel on the table and whacks it with the axe. He asks Nick if that's what it felt like to kill his dad.

Nick says yes. He says he killed him and he's glad he's dead.

Vance talks to Gibbs, who says there's a problem: He doesn't believe him.

The team watches the confession but doesn't see what Gibbs does. Vance comes for an explanation. Up in Vance's office, Vance claims knowing the victim wasn't a conflict of interest. Gibbs says Nick didn't hate his father, he was scared of him. Before Vance went in with an axe, Nick couldn't even look at a picture of his dad.

"The first time he ever faced his father was in that room, and he did it because you did it for him," Gibbs says.

Gibbs says Vance swinging an axe at a scared kid could look like coercion to a jury. Vance is about to call the U.S. attorney but Gibbs says he's going to go have a talk.

Cut to Gibbs on a park bench with Nick, chowing down a hotdog. Gibbs reminds him about being a vegan. "You're either a bad liar, or a bad vegan," Gibbs says.

Nick says he doesn't remember enough to prove he didn't do it and they've showed him enough to prove he did. He remembers seeing his dad's body. Gibbs says that's because Nick was there but was high and ran.

Gibbs asks about his mom. He thinks she left because of him because he stole her pills. Nick says he went to rehab because his dad made him and his girlfriend was there and he missed her. She brought pills in and they'd sneak out and get high.

His girlfriend Megan died six months ago at the clinic of an overdose. She lived next door.

Gibbs interviews the neighbor, Mark Stafford, pointing out how Megan was at the top of her class before she started dating Nick.

Gibbs shows him pictures from his yard of stacks of chopped wood. He claims he doesn't know where his axe is.

He says he was yelling at Nick that night and his dad came out to defend him. He says Nick should have been in jail.

Stafford says his daughter is dead because the colonel was a lousy father.

"You made him pay for it," Gibbs says.

He asks for a lawyer. Then he says he saw Nick's mom at the house last night.

They find six calls to the house yesterday from a prepaid cell.

Cut to Nick meeting his mom in a café. She hugs him and says she missed him. She says she left because she didn't think she could be a good mom. He asks if she's back on her meds. She says no.

He asks when she came back. She says two weeks ago. She says she went by the house to see him, but found the colonel. She says they fought and she picked something up, but didn't think she hit him that hard. She got an axe from next door so they wouldn't think Nick did it.

He shows her the wire he's wearing. Gibbs comes in. Nick tells his mom he loves her and leaves.

At the office, the team packs up the case files. Gibbs gives Vance a meaningful look. Vance gets a call from EJ.

Tell-All

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Recurring Role: Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Carl Lumbly (Navy Rear Admiral Beau Hindley), Troy Winbush (Former Marine 1st Lieutenant Sam Keeler), John Lavelle (Derrick Archer), Rebecca Tilney (Madeline Dumont), Melissa Farman (Alexis Ross), Josie Loren (Jane), Eric E. Beck (Scott), Alejandro Pina (EMT Jonny)
Production Code: 181
Summary: When a Navy Commander found murdered leaves behind a message written in blood, the NCIS team links it to a manuscript that may hold a threat to the national security.



A couple goes on a drive in the forest. The wife pulls over to take a picture of a deer. When they get out they see a body in the grass.

At the office, Tony goes through Gibbs' mail. He thinks he sees the same wedding invitation that was on his desk last week.

Tony asks Ziva about her boyfriend Ray, they ask McGee about his gamer babe and there are insinuations about

Tony's shower time.

Gibbs comes to announce the body of the week: A dead Lt. Commander.

Gibbs sees the wedding invitation on his desk and immediately pitches it in the recycle bin.

The victim is Commander Casey with the Defense Intelligence Agency. He was shot around 11 p.m. Ziva finds a blood trail. It leads to writing in blood on a rock: "Birdsong."

Gibbs talks in MTAC with an admiral who says "birdsong" means nothing to him.

In the morgue, Duckie tells Gibbs that Casey was shot with disintegrating copper rounds.

Upstairs, the team tries to dig into Patrick Casey's life but a lot of it is classified. A waiter from the restaurant that Casey's car was outside says he was there with a woman, but it was platonic. They shook hands after.

McGee finds references to a manuscript on DIA servers called "Operation Birdsong" from Capital Crossroads Press, a publishing house run by Madeline DuMont.

Tony steps into the women's shower fully clothed – to read the wedding invitation sent to Gibbs. Ziva asks if Tony has seen Agent Barrett. Tony wonders why Ziva would ask in the shower (where he and Barrett supposedly hooked up).

McGee and Gibbs meet with Madeline DuMont. She tells them DIA confiscated her manuscript for "Operation Birdsong." She mentions they sent Admiral Hindley to get it. It's about corruption and weapons sales. She says the author is anonymous.

She points out that to force her to disclose the author they'd need to take the manuscript to court – and they don't have it.

They show her a photo of dead Casey. She says he was one of two people sent an advance copy at the author's request.

Ziva and Tony go visit the other person, Agent Elizabeth Archer. The front door to her house is open when they get there. She's dead inside.

Later, Agent Fornell of the FBI is on the scene. He explains Archer was an expert in foreign intelligence stings. She was strangled with the same rope that was used to bind Casey's hands. But there are no defensive wounds, which Duckie finds odd. Fornell says she was loaned out to the DIA for covert ops last year. She looks like the waiter's description of the woman who ate with Casey. Her husband Derrick is a paramedic.

Fornell asks Gibbs if he got an invitation to Diane's wedding. Tony goes bug-eyed then walks away. Gibbs says he got three. McGee finds ash in the fire.

Fornell points out to Gibbs that with Diane married there's no more alimony.

Later, they talk to Derrick Archer, who doesn't really know what she did. He remembers "Operation Birdsong" on his wife's bedside table the last few days.

At work, Fornell remembers Diane's wedding day. Gibbs scoffs and Fornell insists he must have a good memory of her. "She caught her finger in a car door once," Gibbs says.

They bring the charred book remains to Abby.

She ran the ammo through the weapon's database but found nothing – which means it's a prototype. The Flint was developed by Praeger on a DOD contract. The rest of the records were classified by the DIA.

Upstairs, McGee reports that DuMont feared for her life and just hopped a plane to Argentina. McGee calls her again for the author's name.

Gibbs and Fornell meet with First Lt. Sam Keeler, the author. Gibbs asks who he's hiding from. He says he's been staying with friends. They show him the victims' photos.

Keeler tells them he, Casey and Archer worked an anti-terrorism task force in Cypress. They took terrorists down by staging sales of black market weapons, a prototype the DOD rejected. The Flint. He says he still has an original on his computer hard drive in a storage locker.

Tony, Ziva and McGee go to the storage locker, arguing over whether Diane was wife two or three. They round the corner and see the admiral and two marines opening the locker. As they open the door, it explodes out at them.

Back at NCIS, Gibbs tells Keeler three DIA agents are in the hospital. Gibbs asks Keeler why he was discharged from the Marines early.

Keeler says the op was a waste of resources. 500 Flint rifles went missing. He was the fall guy. Casey later sent him field reports that said insurgents were using those weapons. The superior chalked it up to accidents happening.

In the lab, Abby and McGee work on the computer fragments. The manuscript backs up what Keeler said. They found a pattern Keeler didn't see. In the past year, almost all the weapon's trafficking has been picked up by a dealer named Jinn, who no one has ever seen.

Tony finds a manuscript fragment that mentions someone clearing their throat as pressure mounts.

Gibbs and Fornell go to see Admiral Hindley. He got a text sending him to the storage locker last night.

He says he can tell them where "she" is.

Cut to Alexis Ross, a college girl in interrogation. Fornell and Gibbs confront her with the name of the hitman she paid to bomb the admiral. They found names and routing numbers for terrorists on her computer. She's Jinn. She sighs and doesn't take Gibbs seriously. She says she's been studying for days.

Abby comes in and announces Ross was an arms dealer and did bomb the admiral but she didn't kill Archer and Casey – she only got the manuscript yesterday.

Back at NCIS, Gibbs tells Keeler he read his book and noticed the dedication page: "For E.A. with love and thanks for the happiest days of my life." He admits to his affair with Elizabeth Archer. He's wearing the necklace he gave her that she gave back.

Abby calls Gibbs down to report she found muscle relaxor in Archer's blood, which is why she couldn't fight back. It has so many side effects that it's only used in emergency medicine.

Fornell and Gibbs visit Derrick Archer, the paramedic. His partner admits Archer told him to take a few hours the night of his wife's murder. They point out he could have seen the dedication page in the book on her nightstand.

He says he confronted her, but she denied it. He followed her to her dinner with Casey and drew the wrong conclusion. They tell him he killed the wrong guy.

The night of Diane's rehearsal dinner the team waits to see if he'll go.

Cut to Gibbs woodworking in his basement. Fornell comes for him in a tux, then decides he doesn't want to go either. The new guy is with Homeland Security.

Gibbs announces pizza is on the way. The doorbell rings and Fornell goes to get it. Fornell announces he just gave away the bride. Gibbs tells him he has a beautiful daughter.

Two-Faced

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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Sarah Jane Morris (Special Agent EJ Barrett), Enrique Murciano (Ray Cruz), Ryan Carnes (Bryce Leitner), Marque Richardson (Navy Seaman Joey Elson), Nicholas James (Navy Seaman Derek Balfour), Roy Jackson (Bartender), Erin Ross (Melissa)
Production Code: 182
Summary: Much to Gibbs' displeasure, the NCIS team has to investigate a death of a seaman with a lead from Agent E.J. Barrett, leaving the rest of the team concerned that Gibbs may be leaving NCIS yet again. Meanwhile, Ziva introduces her new boyfriend to the team.



At a loud bar, a guy finishes chugging his beer and splashes all over a blonde. He tries to apologize, but makes it worse. A while later, security helps him out the door. He's walking down the street when he sees a talking baby doll in an alley. Just sitting there, saying "Play with me, please play with me."

He bends down to investigate when someone grabs him and slits his throat

from behind.

Ziva comes in to work, talking to Ray on the phone, all glow-y. She's meeting Ray in New York next weekend and they're going to the opera. Tony asks why they haven't met him.

Gibbs announces the body of the week: a dead naval officer in Virginia.

The victim is wrapped in plastic in a field. His ankles are bound. Duckie cuts open the plastic wrap. The man is in a dress uniform. He's clean, with no defensive wounds. He's been dead about five days.

McGee runs his prints and finds he's seaman Derrick Balfour – but he's wearing an officer's uniform. There's a Metro card in his pocket from after he was killed. His eyes were positioned to look toward DC.

At the office they find he was scheduled to ship out for his second tour in Afghanistan in a few weeks. He has an old drunk and disorderly charge, but cleaned up. Ziva learns about his clubbing.

Ziva turns around to find her boyfriend Ray Cruz standing there. She introduces him and they learn he's CIA. Tony instantly doesn't like him.

In the morgue, Duckie tells Gibbs that Balfour died from his throat being slit. There's no trace evidence. His fingernails were manicured and cleaned. He had traces of cleanser on him. Duckie thinks it might be someone in law enforcement.

Vance drops in. Gibbs bristles at the meddling but plays it cool.

Upstairs, Tony and Ray chat in the men's room. Tony is proud of his "C-I-Ray" nickname for him. Ray announces he's in love with Ziva.

He says he wants Ziva's friends to be his friends. He mentions she has said Tony is like a brother to her. Tony doesn't seem thrilled with the characterization.

Ray gets a text. Back in the office, he tells Ziva he has to see an old associate.

They find charges on Balfour's card after he was killed. Someone is staying in Balfour's apartment.

Tony and Gibbs go to the apartment. The super opens the door. They find a neatly made up, empty apartment. There's an out of place chair upside down outside the fridge, which is completely empty. In the freezer, they find a flower in the ice cube tray.

E.J. Barrett strolls in, saying a killer has killed three dead navy men in nine months. She's been tracking him since Rota, Spain. The killer leaves things. She claims the case.

Back at the office, angry Gibbs barges in on Vance, asking why Vance didn't tell him. They're calling him the Port to Port Killer. The victims are always wrapped in plastic and cleaned. At the last body in Guam, he left a peanut at the scene.

Vance reiterates that EJ has the lead.

At work, Tony gives EJ grief for just showing up at the crime scene. He says she should have mentioned it last night when she was at his place wearing his Elvis Costello t-shirt. She suggests they end things since they're on the same case. He agrees. Then invites her over to dinner that night. She offers to bring wine.

The flower left in the freezer was rare. The weapon was surgical. The cleaner was iodine-based and only sold to hospitals.

Abby is having a hard time adjusting to Barrett, mostly because she hates change. Gibbs hugs her and assures her nothing will change.

Later that night, over a candle light dinner in the break room, Ziva rants about EJ, saying she doesn't trust her. Ray says he has something to tell Ziva, but they're interrupted when she gets a text message. He says it can wait.

Later, EJ briefs the team on the suspect profile from her side of the room. She suggests they come over. Tony starts to, but Gibbs says they're fine where they are. A line is drawn in the sand.

The suspect is wealthy and entitled. He's killed in Japan, Guam, Spain and now US. They think he's multi-lingual.

EJ thinks the killer isn't going anywhere. Gibbs asks if it's a hunch. She challenges him, saying she thinks the killer is smart and high-achieving. But Gibbs disagrees.

McGee finds an old email to Balfour from a rich kid med school drop-out named Bruce Leitner. He's been to all three of the countries where murders occurred recently. He has an apartment in Georgetown.

EJ talks to Leitner in interrogation – for about 15 seconds before Gibbs joins her and tells her she's in his chair.

She stands. Gibbs steps over her questions. Leitner admits he hated Balfour. Gibbs shows him the autopsy photo. He doesn't let Leitner answer EJ's questions. Leitner says Balfour made a move on his girlfriend.

EJ tries to ask him questions but Gibbs takes her out of the room.

In the hallway he lectures her on the right way to run an investigation. She wants to prove Leitner was in all four cities at the time of the murders, but he thinks they should tie him to Balfour's and go from there. Abby calls him.

EJ follows him to the lab. Leitner got a DUI a while back and had blood drawn. He had a rare virus that traced back to a Spanish fishing village, which proves he was in Spain at the time of the Rota murder. Barrett gloats.

In the elevator, Tony stops it to tell her not to tangle with Gibbs. She points out Gibbs isn't on Vance's good side at the moment.

Then she mentions the case might take a while to wrap up. She says she could get used to the office. She's cozying up to him when the doors open and Ziva and Ray see them.

EJ says hi to Ray. Ziva asks how they know each other. He's the CIA liaison on the Port to Port Killer case and has been the whole time. Ziva is pissed.

In the park, he says it was need to know info and he wasn't allowed to tell her. Ziva is really angry and doesn't believe he's being honest with her and is using her. He says he loves her, but she doesn't believe him.

Finally, he tells her Leitner isn't the guy –he's a mule for the Syrian government that they've been tracking for 16 months.

Ziva storms off.

At the office, she immediately tells Gibbs that Leitner isn't the guy. That's enough for Gibbs. He announces it but EJ is skeptical.

They look at the crime scene photos. The uniform Balfour is in has the wrong medals. Gibbs wants to look into airline hubs.

He orders EJ to stay put.

In MTAC they find Esprit airline goes to all the murder cities. Six employees have naval records and one was in the murder cities when the crimes took place – Nathan Finney, a retired F18 pilot. He has an address outside of Alexandria.

Gibbs, the team and EJ head to Finney's house. It's empty. But there's a bouquet of the rare flower on the back porch on top of a large freezer. There's a body inside.

It's Finney. In autopsy, Duckie finds he's been dead about six weeks.

Vance reads both EJ and Gibbs the riot act, demanding results.

Outside his office, Gibbs asks if she's sleeping with Tony. She says it's not against policy. He says it's against his policy. He doesn't trust her and tells her to leave his team alone.

Ziva drinks alone at a bar. Tony joins her. (It's a club soda.) She insists she's fine, but Tony insists on company.

Tony reminds her that Ray has a sworn duty to protect what he knows and Ray cares about her. She says he lied and it's over.

She asks Tony about EJ. He says he understands her.

The bartender brings Tony a drink, saying a guy in a booth ordered it for him. They look and no one's there. Tony looks in the glass and sees an eye ball frozen in an ice cube.

Dead Reflection

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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Terrell Tilford (Navy Captain Jack Painter), Alicia Ziegler (Marine Corporal Jameson), Milauna Jemai (Emma Park), Jason Sarcinelli (Navy Petty Officer Eric Donner), Kimberly Alexander (Navy Lieutenant Junior Lauren Ross), Terry Woodberry (Bates), John Ales (Miles Hogan), Cara Pifko (Kelsey Donner), Jeffrey Johnson (Navy Commander Nelson Tunney), Sarah Jane Morris (Special Agent EJ Barrett), Matthew Willig (NCIS Special Agent Simon Cade), Alimi Ballard (NCIS Special Agent Gayne Levin)
Production Code: 183
Summary: When a Pentagon security camera catches a petty officer committing a murder, the NCIS team has to track them down. Meanwhile, Gibbs reveals that Agent Barrett will be taking over the Port-to-Port murder case with her own team.



A custodian is coming in to work at the Pentagon. He's met by another worker at his office door – she had lost her wallet and he had found it in the copy room. He retrieves it for her, and they leave to grab some coffee, not noticing the body of a young woman in uniform with the nameplate "Ross," lying in a corner. (CREDITS)

In the office, Ziva, McGee and Tony are looking at a picture of the eyeball that was floating in Tony's gin and tonic. "A real eye-opener," Tony deadpans, "I thought I needed a drink before – I really needed one after." The eyeball is in Autopsy, being examined by Ducky. They see Gibbs entering the office, followed by Barrett, with a grim look on his face. Gibbs announces that Barrett's team is taking over the investigation for the Port-To-Port case. "Her 'team'?" inquires Ziva, having seen no one else on Barrett's team. Barrett tells them that Agents Cade and Levin are enroute, and she would appreciate "a warm welcome – they're top notch agents, maybe you could pick up a few pointers." That comment doesn't go over well with Gibb's team. McGee asks Gibbs what they should be doing. "Dead lieutenant. D-Ring. Pentagon. Let's go," Gibbs answers laconically, but as he leaves, he shoots Barrett a look of distaste, which she answers with a broad smile.

At the Pentagon, Jimmy is examining the body under Ducky's supervision – Ross has shattered C4 and C5 vertebra, suggesting that her neck was broken efficiently, possibly martial arts skills, between 2 and 3:00 the day before. Gibbs is interviewing Ross's boss, Captain Painter, who last saw her Friday as she was leaving for a doctor's appointment, and was going to come

in over the weekend to work. They work in record-keeping, a joint DOD command center. McGee and Tony have been looking at video tapes, and found one at 2: 13 Sunday afternoon. As they watch, Ross meets Petty Officer Donner in the hall. The brief conversation seems to turn angry, and as she storms away, Donner strikes her neck from behind, catches her as she collapses, and then drags her body into the custodial office. He walks out briskly, right into the camera that catches his face and ID.

Back at the office, Ziva is sorting through files. As she passes Barrett's desk, she pauses to glance over the divider. Barrett looks up at her briskly: "Do you need something, David?" Ziva says no, and going to McGee's desk, tells McGee that she's not sure how she feels about "that" woman. Tony and Gibbs enter the office, and as they report on the whereabouts of Donner and his wife, Gibbs notices Ziva and Tony's gazes wander to Barrett. Tony wonders "What is she doing with that geek Steve from IT?" "I have no idea," says Ziva dismissively, and reports that Donner's wife is named Kelsey, a security guard at the Indian Head Naval Support Facility. Ross graduated from Annapolis, and shares an apartment with a roommate, who is waiting to be interviewed. McGee and Tony go to interview the roommate, Ziva follows Gibbs. Reluctantly, Ross' roommate tells them that the man Ross was seeing was married, but doesn't remember the name Eric Donner, and doesn't recognize a photo of him. Gibbs and Ziva interview Kelsey Donner, who doesn't know where her husband is, and is used to him being away unexpectedly.

In the office, Tony notices boxes and clothing on a desk, and realizes that some of Barrett's team has arrived. He tries on the unknown agent's NCIS baseball-style cap, but it is far too big for him. McGee warns him not to "mess with their stuff," but intrigued, Tony holds up the sizeable jacket. "Omigosh, this is gi-normous!" he exclaims. Tony is enjoying himself. "Do you think this guy is The Hulk, or what? I'm an enormous Big Dumbo!" he declares, but Barrett, walking up accompanied by a tall, broad-shouldered guy, overhears him and tells him, "The Big Dumbo has an IQ of 160." As the new guy takes back his jacket, he says in a deep voice, "You're DiNozzo, right? I was warned about you." Barrett tells Tony, "He doesn't like it when people wear his hat." The new agent glares at Tony.

In Autopsy, Ducky is on the phone. As Gibbs walks him, Ducky subtly lets him know that he is on the phone with Barrett – the eyeball was from a male who had had Lasix surgery, and Abby is working on the DNA. As he hangs up, Gibbs asks about Ross. Ducky hasn't started the autopsy, yet, but reports that Ross was eight to ten weeks pregnant.

On stake-out in front of Donner's house, Ziva asks Tony if Gibbs said anything to him about Agent Barrett, "you know – about dating?" "Nope," Tony answers after a short pause. Ziva considers her next question: "Are you sure he knows?" "He's Gibbs – he knows everything. He did read her the riot act, though," Tony adds. Ziva suggests that Tony talks to Gibbs about it. Tony asks a question of his own: "What about you and CIA Ray?" Ziva declares that it is over, and Tony asks if she has talked to him. "Well, he has left messages, and texted and emailed – but I have not read them." They are interrupted by the arrival of a car. A man in uniform gets out of the car – it is not Eric Donner, but he is greeted with a hug by Kelsey Donner and enters the house. Tony and Ziva race to identify him: He starts to send photos to "McAbby" for facial recognition, and she runs the license plate of the car. At the lab, Abby is nervously pacing back and forth in a pretty floral dress as the facial recognition software runs – she's late to be somewhere. They get a hit: Commander Nelson Tunney. Abby calls Tony with the name – but he has lost the race, since Ziva found out first. Tunney was Donner's former CO in the Special Warfare unit. As they hang up, the "gi-normous" agent appears casually in the lab doorway and asks Abby, "I thought you were going to meet me in the squad room?" "Oh, hi! Simon! Sorry, something came up!" says Abby brightly. "Are we still on for tonight?" Simon asks, "Yes, yes, yes! Just let me get my coat." She quickly ducks into her office as McGee, taking in the conversation, stares at Simon Cade incredulously. "Hey, McGee," Cade greets him.

At the Pentagon, Captain Painter asks if Donner has been found, and Gibbs says no, but that Donner and Ross probably had a sexual relationship – she was dating a married man and was pregnant. Painter is shocked, and pulls Gibbs aside, telling him that he, Painter, is the married man that Lauren was seeing, and the baby is probably his. In the office, Ziva and Tony are escorting Tunney to the conference room, and pass Cade and Barrett. Barrett takes a sniff at Tony. "I told you I didn't like your old cologne," she says with a grimace. "This one is way worse." "It's not me, it's the Commander," says Tony. "Oh," says Barrett. As she turns to walk away, she stops. "Hey, how long did you and Ziva work last night?" she asks him. Tony just looks at her,

and then motions to the room, telling her that he has to get in there. She walks away. Tunney reports that he last saw Donner at a sports bar the previous week when he got back from Iraq. He says that Donner can't get back in the unit – he can't pass the physical. When Tony asks when he last saw Mrs. Donner, he realizes that they already know, and says that she was upset by NCIS's visit, called him, and he stopped by to console her.

Abby is watching the video tape of Donner and Ross's encounter carefully, trying to figure out what they are saying. McGee wanders in, and "casually" asks how the night before went with Special Agent Cade. "Oh, he is great!" enthuses Abby, telling him they went to an Indian restaurant "and he spoke Hindi with the waiter" and went to a club in Georgetown "and he had a conversation in Swahili with the cab driver!" "So, he's a linguist?" inquires McGee. "Yeah, he's very, very, very smart – and endearing – he's a jock, too – he played football in college." McGee isn't liking what he's hearing, but he asks where Cade played football. "Yale – he's all Ivy League," answers Abby, still studying the video. "Well," says McGee jealously, "I hope you didn't show him all your tattoos!" Abby turns to him. "You're jealous!" she smiles. McGee doesn't answer, but leans in to study the video, too, as Abby grins.

Tony, Ziva and Gibbs are perusing Donner's cell phone and email records – nothing since a text message the previous Saturday. As they review it, Cade greets another man who is dragging a suitcase into the office – Special Agent Gayne Levin. He hands Cade a flash drive that has some pictures of the murder of a British sailor with some similarities to the Port-to-Port killer, and Barrett introduces him to "the neighbors." Barrett tells Cade to "put it up on the big screen," and Tony mutters under his breath, "As if she had a big screen." To their astonishment, a jumbo TV rises from the divider on the other side of Barrett's team's area, and Barrett explains that "Steve in IT hooked me up!" "Cool, huh?" says Cade. Gibbs tells Tony and Ziva that the Virginia State Police have found Donner dead.

Ducky is puzzled – Donner is dead in a car that has run off the road and down an embankment, but there is no apparent trauma to the body. And, according to the lack of rigor mortis and other signs, the body has been dead for about 4 days. "That's not possible," objects Gibbs, "we have video of him killing Lt. Ross at the Pentagon two days ago." But Ducky is certain: "Jethro – this man could not have been there." In Autopsy, Ducky assures Gibbs that Donner has been dead at least four days from a heart attack. Gibbs asks if they sure the body is Donner's, but Jimmy tells him that the prints, dental records and the DNA all match, and he has burn scars consistent with a shipboard injury two years ago. In addition, Donner died elsewhere, and was put in the car. Barrett walks in and commiserates on his "messy" case, but Gibbs turns and leaves. Barrett tells Ducky she wants a crash course on the eye. Ducky refers her to Jimmy, whose father was a research ophthalmologist.

Ziva talks to Kelsey Donner, who is upset to be told that first her husband was a murderer, and that now it looks like he died two days beforehand. When Gibbs joins them, she insists that there's been a mistake, because she received text messages from Donner Friday and Saturday. She doesn't know why he was in Fairfax County – but Gibbs suggests that whoever moved his body probably sent her the text messages. She asks if it's possible he rejoined his old unit, but Gibbs says that Tunney has said no. Kelsey mentions that Tunney risked his life to pull Donner from a fire, and they stayed in contact.

McGee is comparing the photo from Autopsy to the photo in the video – either the facial recognition software is wrong, at 95% accuracy, or Ducky is. Gibbs joins them, and McGee explains that they have retraced all of Donner's footsteps through surveillance tapes, up until he enters a restricted area without cameras just before his confrontation with Ross. Tony's attention wanders to Barrett as McGee says that Tony has a call in to Captain Painter. Gibbs asks Tony what Painter said, but Tony's attention is elsewhere until Ziva smacks him and hisses at him. He turns – and is caught short. Gibbs walks away as the team grimaces at the lapse, and Tony braces for the headslap that never comes.

At the Pentagon, Painter explains that the room contains high level documents from the joint DOD command – no photography or cameras are allowed on documents so sensitive, they are not on electronic databases. McGee wonders if they can determine what file Donner accessed – Painter smiles ironically and leads them into the huge file room, showing them "70 years and 70,000 files to go through," to McGee and Ziva's dismay.

Gibbs is in his basement carving on a woodworking project. Tony clatters down the steps and Gibbs glances up, but doesn't respond to Tony's casual "hey." Tony grabs two jelly glasses and

the bourbon, and putting the glasses on the worktable, he asks Gibbs what he's working on. "Wood," Gibbs replies. Tony realizes that Gibbs isn't going to make this easy for him. He grabs a chair as Gibbs inquires, "What's the occasion?" "I thought we could talk," says Tony. "So – talk," says Gibbs shortly. He tells Gibbs that he looks up to him and he's been a great teacher for the last ten years. "You have a point, DiNozzo?" asks Gibbs, never raising his eyes from his carving. Talking a deep swig of bourbon, he tells Gibbs, "I always thought the head slaps were a sign of affection. Today, in the squad room, I was expecting one – and I didn't get it." Gibbs doesn't respond. "Are you pissed at me?" Tony asks. "Rule Number 12," mutters Gibbs. "Never date a co-worker," finishes Tony. He sighs, and then laughs. "I know. But she's pretty great, though. EJ and I have a lot in common. She's easy to be with, y'know? It's nice to have somebody to talk to." No answer from Gibbs. Tony's hands are clasped nervously in front of him as he reminds Gibbs that NCIS doesn't have a policy against dating co-workers, and technically, since they aren't on the same team . . . Gibbs finally looks up and looks Tony in the eye: "My team. My rules." The phone rings, but Gibbs glances at it and tosses it away. "Sleeping with Barrett is a bad idea," he tells Tony. Tony is uncowed: "No offense, but my personal life is my business." Gibbs tells him that it's going to affect his work, and when Tony denies it, he points out that it already has. "I know what you're thinking – that I've lost focus, taken my eye off the ball," Tony starts to say, but Gibbs stops him with four words: "I depend on you." Tony doesn't have an answer, but his phone rings, too – it's Abby. "It must be important," he tells Gibbs, handing him the phone.

Gibbs comes into the Abby's office and demands that she turns the music down. Abby is holding a vial of white powder that she is analyzing for Ducky, but puts it down to show Gibbs what Lt. Ross was saying before she was killed. "How do you know?" asks Gibbs. "Because I read lips – did you forget?" she tells him. She walks him through Ross and Donner's casual greeting, pointing out that Donner is uneasy. After enhancing the video, Abby discovers that Donner says, "Where are you going?" "To call Security – you're not Eric, who are you?" Ross knew that the man wasn't Petty Officer Donner.

In the break room the next morning, Tony is microwaving a pastry. Ziva joins him and asks if he and Gibbs talked. "Tried to – it didn't go well," admits Tony. "What did he say?" "He gave me a scolding – it was like talking to my father – he tells me not to do something, and it makes me want to do it more." Ziva asks how they left it, and Tony admits that he doesn't know. "Gibbs and I have hit a rough patch," he admits, but his glance follows Barrett as she walks across the break room, throwing a smile in his direction. "Well, you're going to have to make some choices," Ziva tells him as she sees the directly of his gaze. "Glad I'm not you." Barrett joins Tony and asks if he was on a stake out again the night before. "No," answers Tony shortly. "Two nights in a row I don't hear from you," she muses, and he explains that there was something he had to do, and that they are going to have to cool it around the office. "You mean around Gibbs," she correct him. "He intimidates you," she tells Tony. "Let's just say – he presents a challenge. He sees what he shouldn't see, and hears what he shouldn't hear. He's like Alex Baldwin in 'The Shadow' – and 'The Shadow' always knows." Barrett shrugs. "You're scared of him." "Yep." "I'm not." "You should be."

Ducky and Abby have been up all night, but have a theory based on residue found in Donner's ear: Someone made a life-cast of Donner's face, but Ross was tipped off by his voice.

In the office, the team discusses how special ops might have someone who knows how to make masks like that, and Cade asks if they are investigating Tunney. He remembers seeing Tunney's picture in a file where Tunney and his unit was under investigation for the murder of a local tribal leader killed in Afghanistan. Tunney denied he was in the area. "You remembered the face?" Tony asks incredulously. Levin tells them that Cade has a photographic memory. "Of course he does," sighs Tony. Gibbs thanks Tunney, sends Tony and McGee off to investigate who in Naval Special Warfare makes masks, and he and Ziva go to find Tunney.

McGee asks Tony if Abby said anything about Cade. "She seems fascinated by him," he tells Tony, but Tony is dismissive, suggesting that McGee's nose is out of joint because he's no longer "the smartest kid in the class." Tony agrees that it was easier before they came, and when McGee asks why, Tony casually admits that Gibbs is giving him grief for sleeping with Barrett. "You're sleeping with Special Agent Barrett?" McGee demands. "Catch up, Tim – the whole Navy Yard knows about it," says Tony.

They meet with Miles Hogan, who is surprised they got clearance to visit his office so quickly. They enter his lab, and see an entire workshop devoted to mask creation. They admire his work,

and show him a picture of Donner, suggesting that it may be a mask. Hogan laughs, and asks if it's a joke, and then shows them the mold he made the mask from – "I worked 36 hours straight on it last weekend – thank God for CaffPow!" He admits that Donner was dead when he made the mask, and when Tony asks him if he doesn't think that's strange, Hogan tells him that "a lot of what I do around here is strange." He tells them that Tunney commanded the mask to be made, he made the cast on Donner's face at Tunney's apartment, and gave Tunney the mask on Sunday morning.

As they get on the elevator, an older man gets off. The elevator door closes, and Tony takes a sniff – it's the cologne that Tunney was wearing when they interviewed him. They realize that Tunney was wearing another mask and was escaping. Gibbs drives up and the team splits up to search for him. As Ziva peers around a corner, Tunney comes up behind her and tries to put the same move on her that he did on Ross. But Ziva is far better at defense, and reaches up to grab the mask. They struggle, and the rest of the team rush to her, Gibbs drawing a gun, pointing it at Tunney, and daring him: "Give me an excuse."

The team finds the report Tunney was interested in – he has switched out the op report on the murder of the tribal leader with a report of his own that puts him 100 miles away from the murder. Donner had agreed to do it, but he died before he could do it, so Tunney had the mask made so that he could switch the incriminating report himself.

Barrett has a theory on the eyeball, and Jimmy brings it up to the office. As they are watched intently by the entire team, Jimmy grasps the eyeball in a pair of forceps and holds the blue-eyed eyeball up to the retinal scanner by MTAC's door. To everyone's shock, the door opens . . .

Baltimore

Season 8

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Guest Stars: Scott Grimes (Detective Danny Price), Sean Cullen (Police Major Frank Raimsey), Chad Lindberg (Joey Peanuts), Ed O'Ross (Dao Huang), Tim Kelleher (NCIS Special Agent Chris Pacci), Stefan Marks (Navy Lieutenant Ian Floyd), Jeff Skowron (Peter Sears), D. Elliot Woods (Detective), Nika Williams (Sapphire)
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Summary: When Tony's former partner Danny Price is found murdered and linked to the Port-to-Port serial killer, Tony flashes back to his days as a detective in Baltimore and recounts his first meeting with Gibbs.



A man microwaves himself dinner but is jumpy when he hears a dog bark outside. He reaches for his gun and checks out the window. Reassured, he sits down to his TV dinner and a beer. He takes a swig but is immediately concerned. He sniffs the beer then tries to stand. He wobbles. He reaches for his gun and tries to crawl but collapses.

Someone comes in and stands over him. With gloves on, they pour more beer down the mans throat until he stops breathing. Death by brewski.

Tony comes in to work super agitated about having lost his cell phone. He tears through his desk, but comes up empty.

Gibbs arrives with a report from McGee written in tech speak about the eyeball from the Port to Port Killer opening MTAC. They still dont know who it belonged to. Tony offers that Barrett and her team left for Hawaii last night following a new lead.

Gibbs lend Tony his phone, so Tony takes the call about the body of the week.

They arrive to find the victim shrouded in plastic wrap. Gibbs tells them not to call Barrett. The victim is in a three star admirals uniform. They unwrap his body first and find a fortune cookie. They cut open the plastic to his head. Duckie estimates he died about 12 hours ago, right around when Barrett left town. They remove the plastic and Tony freezes. Its his old partner.

Later Duckie talks to the victim Danny Price in the morgue. The body was cleaned and given a manicure like the others and killed with the same knife. He was also sedated. Tony volunteers they worked homicide in Baltimore together. He was a reservist. Duckie offers that he had cirrhosis, indicative of a drinking problem. Tony says he was asked to retire after Tony left for NCIS. He has a tattoo of a scorpion on his forearm.

Flashback to Baltimore 2001, Danny showing off his fresh tattoo. Tony makes a movie reference and laughs around with the hookers. The major announces Tony is the winner of the stationhouse pool championship. He wins a Mighty Mouse stapler. They work on the Franklin murder. Their suspect is Joey Peanuts.

Gibbs visits Abby in the lab. She tells him what the fortune in the cookie said: Keep your friends close but your enemies closer. She traced it back to Dau Huang Fortune Cookie Company and can tell it was put in at the factory, which means the killer had access.

They wonder what the fortune means. Gibbs knew Danny, too.

Danny and Tony stakeout Joey Peanuts. They're eating Chinese. Danny gives him a fortune about love, telling him he was brave to ask out his high school music teacher. He lectures Tony on dressing like a slob, but Tony doesn't care because he plans to be married before he has to dress nice. They see Joey with another guy and get out to approach him. Both men take off running. Tony follows the other guy and tackles him. The guy punches him but Tony sits on him and draws his gun, telling him to freeze. It's Gibbs.

Ziva and McGee go to the fortune cookie company. Dao Huang is a Russian guy, who points out China is next to Russia and his parents emigrated there. He sees his company's logo on the cookie, but says it isn't one of his sayings. It's a forgery. He says it could have been made from one of the trays taken in the robbery a few weeks ago, along with the safe.

Back in Baltimore, Tony confirms Gibbs is NCIS. Gibbs claims he was undercover and let Tony catch him. Gibbs got a tip someone was using a Navy payroll office to launder money. Tony ruined the sting, but he points out Gibbs was supposed to notify Baltimore PD what he was doing. Tony realizes Gibbs wanted to get busted to gain street cred. I don't like being played but, well played, Tony tells him.

Ziva recaps the robbery at the bakery, which was five weeks ago. There was no evidence left behind. There was a report a junkie did it.

Gibbs asks Tony if he's OK. This has nothing to do with that, ancient history, Tony says cryptically. He says he is concerned that Abby is right that the killer is targeting their friends. We protect them by catching the killer, same as you did before, Gibbs tells him.

Danny and Tony interview Joey Peanuts, who claims he doesn't know the victim. His prints were at the scene. Finally Joey admits he was in his car a week ago picking up a duffel bag with \$50,000 of dirty money. He claims he's just a courier, his boss does the laundering. Joey says the victim was mad about the size of the vig and threatened to kill his boss if he didn't get a refund. They think his boss killed Franklin first.

Ziva proclaims the junkie a dead end. Duckie comes up to say there was a minor error in one of his reports five weeks ago. Palmer transcribed the knot type as a constrictor instead of a double constrictor. This matters because Danny was tied with the single constrictor. We have a copy cat, Jethro, and one who has access to our internal records, Duckie says.

McGee is running a check to see how they were hacked. Gibbs tells the team to re-run everything, maybe this killer isn't as careful.

Tony comes in and announces he found his phone. He lets slip that he left it at EJs. But there was a message from Danny from two days ago. He says he's been thinking about things and isn't the only one who saw what he wanted to. He says they need to talk.

Cut to Tony and Danny watching Joey Peanuts wait to hand off cash to his boss.

Danny asks about the engagement ring he found in Tony's jacket. Tony confesses he asked Wendy to marry him and she said yes; he's taking the ring to get resized. They see Joey's boss arrive, he looks like a military man. Tony wonders why anyone would want to be a navy cop.

Ziva is analyzing tax receipts to find people who bought three or more of the items the Port to Port killer did. Gibbs scans the faces and picks out Peter Sears, who he saw at the crime scene. They find him in the photos. He's a computer tech. Gibbs cites Rule 35: Always watch the watchers.

Back at the department, Tony and Danny play Joey's tape for the Major, in which the suspect says he took care of their problem permanently. They didn't pick him up because Gibbs wanted to trail him.

Gibbs calls, the suspect is Lt. Ian Floyd, he works in the payroll office. He tells them the weapon was a P 99, he had the evidence transferred. Gibbs dodges a call from a wife, but answers the one from the divorce lawyer. Tony is impressed at the speed of the ballistics report. NCIS Agent Chris Pacci gives Gibbs the personnel file he requested on Di Nozzo. He says his ulcer is acting up and jokes that it's going to be the death of him.

The team busts in on Peter Sears, who is psyched to be getting arrested. There's a body wrapped in plastic on his floor. It's a mannequin.

Back at NCIS, Tony lays out all the Port to Port paraphernalia Sears had. Sears freaks out. Im the worst loser on the entire planet. I havent even started yet and I got arrested, he moans. He says he hasnt done anything yet.

They check his alibi, hes a part time birthday clown and was working when Danny was killed.

McGee reports two guys were just arrested in Ohio and claim they have info on the fortune cookie bakery robbery. And he found EJ issued an update to local LEOs that included the constrictor knot info. He stole the report while doing tech work at a police station. The copycat is someone who had access to that report.

Tony chases Lt. Flynn down an alley and almost catches up when Flynn draws a gun. After some banter, Danny pops out with a gun and disarms Flynn. So thats how its gonna be? Flynn says.

Tony pays a visit to Dannys place. Theres a picture of Danny, Tony and the major. McGee calls Tony, who says hes following a hunch.

McGee reports they caught the bakery robbery, but he was in Dayton when Danny was killed, so hes not the copycat. Tony plays the voicemail from Danny again, in which he says hes been thinking about things, old friends, TV dinners.

Flash back to Tony paying a visit to Danny as he sits down to a TV dinner. Tony says hes spent the last two days trying to pretend to didnt see betrayal in Flynns eyes when Danny arrested him. Tony pulled Dannys phone records and found tons of calls to Flynn over the last two months.

Tony accuses him of being a dirty cop. Danny admits he was sending potential clients to Floyd, and if they laundered money he got a kick-back. He claims he had no idea Floyd was involved in their murder. He asks what Tonys going to do, then gets up and throws away his TV dinner.

Im going to take a walk, I guess if youre still here when I get back Ill have my answer, Danny says as he leaves out the back.

Tony whirls around to the open front door behind him. Gibbs walks in. He had a hunch.

Back in the present, Tony hears Danny say in his message that there are things I messed up, things right in front of my face I should have seen. But Im not the only one who saw what he wanted to. We need to talk, better late than never.

Again, Tony whirls around to find Gibbs in the front door. Tony says he always wondered why Floyd didnt turn Danny in. Theres only one reason to be afraid of sending a dirty cop to jail, Gibbs says. (if) theres another one you cant, Tony concludes.

There was a silent partner Danny didnt know about, but learned about recently. He thinks Danny was looking for redemption.

Tony pays a visit to his old department to a round of applause. The Major greets Tony warmly, but he starts out telling him he got the fortune cookie trays from the evidence locker. Tony says Danny figured out Floyd wasnt the killer and as going to turn him in. The Major knew Tony wouldnt drop it so he tried to distract him with the Port to Port killer.

Back at NCIS, Duckie and Abby tell Gibbs that she didnt send Duckie the email about the typo in the report, but someone wanted them to know there was a copycat. They think the email was from the real killer.

As the team goes off to check it out, Tony remembers visiting NCIS with greased hair, shades and a leather jacket in jeans.

Gibbs shows Tony around and he explains hes leaving Danny alone, but also cant go back to Baltimore. He says hes not sure he wants to be a cop anymore and earns a Gibbs head slap. Gibbs cites Rule No. 5 is: You dont waste good, and tells Tony hes good.

Gibbs takes him to Human Resources: Agent Application Division. Tony walks in to see a smokin hot babe at the desk. So much for his fiancée.

Swan Song

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Guest Stars: Kerr Smith (Navy Lieutenant Jonas Cobb), Alimi Ballard (NCIS Special Agent Gayne Levin), Matthew Willig (NCIS Special Agent Simon Cade)
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Summary: The NCIS team has to chase every possible lead when the latest victim of the Port-to-Port killer turns out to be someone with personal ties to the team.



It's evening, and the rain is streaming down on blood-spattered Gibbs as he stands in the street, watching in disbelief as Jimmy and Ducky secure a body bag. It's quiet – people are upset, but doing their job. Tony trots up to Gibbs, clutching an umbrella and, with a concerned look on his face, reports finding five shell casings, and that any blood trail has been

washed away by the rain. In a daze, Gibbs glances at Tony long enough to acknowledge the report, but Tony is called away by McGee. Vance is observing the proceedings from inside a car. Ducky and Jimmy carefully load the body bag into the back of the truck, and Gibbs comes closer to the back of the van. A voice behind Gibbs grabs his attention: "Better catch me up, Probie, I'm lost." Gibbs turns and stares at Mike Franks. Still stunned, Gibbs replies, "So am I," and then turns to close the door of the truck. (CREDITS)

In Autopsy, Gibbs stands over the dripping wet body bag, shaking his head. "I don't understand," he whispers. "It makes no sense." Mike walks to the other side of the table and says, "Tell me. Start from the beginning." A few quick flashes flip through Gibb's mind – Mike walking up his basement steps, Vance's grim face. He then begins the narrative: "Yesterday was beautiful . . ."

Flashback to yesterday: Tony enters the office carrying an umbrella, to general derision – it is a lovely sunny day, with no rain in sight. Tony is working from information from an app on his phone, and is suddenly suspicious that McGee may have played with the settings. "But that would be too clever," Tony dismisses the idea, and McGee smiles and goes back to reading his Amazing Spiderman comic book. Ziva walks over and, turning Tony's head to look at the window, asks him if he is going to believe what he reads – or the evidence that is right in front of him. Gibbs strolls in, and the team perks up – the comic book is stashed, Ziva returns to her desk, and Tony makes the pronouncement that it will rain later. "No, it's not," disagrees Gibbs, glancing out the window. Mike is sitting next to Gibbs' desk. "Ain't this usually where you tell them where the

body is and off you go?" Sure enough, McGee inquires, "No case?" and Gibbs tells them, casually, that there is a case – it's just not theirs. On the other side of the divider, Barrett's team swings into action. Mike, looking over the divider, comments: "Damn – where did they come from?" The team overhears Barrett filling her team in on the details – a body in Virginia, dead several weeks, identified as an NCIS agent. Hearing that, the team looks at each other incredulously. Mike asks Gibbs, "You aren't just going to let that go, are you?" and Gibbs, after staring thoughtfully out into space for a moment, suddenly grabs his gun out of his desk and snaps, "What are you waiting for? It's an NCIS Special Agent." Relieved, the team leaps up and grabs their gear.

The local police fill Barrett in on the details – white male, mid thirties, no ID, throat cleanly cut. Cade reports that a fingerprint scan confirms that it is NCIS Special Agent Earl Stark, on annual leave from Norfolk. Barrett is thinking it over – no plastic wrap, no ties, no souvenir – and then turns, startled, when Gibbs' team appears at the scene. Gibbs remains in the car as McGee and Ziva begin to canvas the area under Barrett's instructions. Barrett and Tony begin to walk away to examine the body. Mike asks Gibbs, "Who's the new chickie?" and Gibbs tells him that it's "Vance's new golden girl." "Her and DiNozzo making sheet music?" Mike inquires with a leer, and to Gibbs' nod, Mike grins. "Puh-leeze – he's taking a page from your song book!" At Gibbs' chuckle, Mike continues, "Like you'd pass up a duet with a lady like that, who outranks him, to boot!" Gibbs tells Mike that Barrett outranks him, too – she has the lead on the hunt for a serial killer. Mike frowns. "This body his?"

Barrett has the same question. She tells Tony that the Port-to-Port killer's M.O. has been evolving, and describes the near-miss in Hawaii that has been attributed to the P2P killer. The victim was a Sgt. Jericho, who had been recently transferred from Norfolk to Pearl Harbor – the attempt on his life cut him up a bit, but he survived, because of the intervention of someone else who ended up losing his own eyeball. "Did you tell the Good Samaritan that we are holding on to his eyeball for him?" inquires Tony, but Barrett admits that he was gone by the time they got to the hospital to interview Jericho. "A failure for the P2P – first sign that the guy is human," quips Tony optimistically, but Barrett, gazing down at Stark's mutilated body, sighs and says, "He's not human, Tony." They examine the body, and note the knife slash at the neck, and Barrett declares that the Port-to-Port killer is back in town – and targeting NCIS.

Back in the present: Gibbs is still standing by the body bag in Autopsy. Ducky is at his desk, quietly shuffling papers, and Gibbs asks him what is on his mind – "you're awfully quiet over there, Duck." Ducky tells him that he is thinking about a mute swan, and goes on to tell Gibbs that the Cygnas olor legend is that the swan is silent up until its death, when it sings one last, beautiful song. "When does the swan know when he is about to die?" asks Gibbs. "Some animals just know," shrugs Ducky, "when the end is near." Mike walks up beside Gibbs. "True," he says, and tells a story about an old stray dog that hung around his place in Mexico until one day, the dog walks out on the beach, dug a hole, curled up in it, and died. Gibbs looks up at Ducky: "I thought you and Palmer were going to get to work?" he asks him, but Ducky tells him there's no hurry – they can wait. Ducky leaves Gibbs standing by the body bag, and Mike reminds Gibbs that they are all animals.

Flashback to the previous day: Gibbs enters Vance's office and stands before his desk. Vance hangs up the phone, and tells Gibbs that Barrett's team is trying to sort out a discrepancy in security logs – Stark has been dead about 20 days, but security logs show him going in and out of their building several times. "This building?" confirms Gibbs, slightly incredulous. Vance goes on to tell him that he wants Gibbs to support Barrett on the case, to which Gibbs agrees in his best "team player" mode. Vance gives him the file on the Pearl Harbor incident and asks Gibbs to follow up. In the office, Barrett's team is reviewing the victims, and one of them suggests that the P2P killer was the one who was actually accessing the building. Cade gets to work pulling up security camera footage corresponding with Stark's post-mortem access times. Gibbs' team is sitting quietly, reviewing files and documents from the Pearl Harbor episode. Mike, watching them, comments in disgust, "They're reading?" Gibbs admits that waiting for them to finish reading the report is excruciating, and Mike snaps, "Skip this part!" Suddenly, the team is speed-reading through the documents and then gathers to report their findings. Jericho was attacked from behind when he stopped to examine a toy bear playing a drum. He had knife wounds on his hands and neck, but before he lost consciousness, he saw a bald man come into view. Screams brought passersby, and the bald man was treated at the hospital for the loss of an eyeball. However, the name the hospital had, Gavin O'Ryan, doesn't appear in any databank

that they can find. McGee goes off to get Abby's help in pinpointing Gavin O'Ryan, Tony begins some "old fashioned" detective work, and Ziva announces that she is going to follow Barrett to try to overhear details of her investigation. They scurry off, and Gibbs, smiling, says as an aside to Mike, "If only, eh?" Smiling, he begins to leave, and Mike asks him what the most interesting part was. "The teddy bear – that was new," answers Gibbs. Gibbs retrieves the evidence box from Balfour's murder and is flipping through it when he is rejoined by the team – there is no trace of a Gavin O'Ryan, which suggests multiple passports. The bald man had a slight British accent . . . and it's beginning to sound like someone they know. After a few phone calls, Tony discovers that their suspect is in town, and he and Gibbs go to confront him. At a hot dog stand, Tony walks up behind a bald man and inquires dryly, "Gavin? Gavin O'Ryan?" Trent Kort turns around – with a surgical eye patch on his left eye

Kort tells them that the CIA has been keeping an eye on the investigation, possibly through Ziva's boyfriend, Ray Cruz, because the killer's name is Lt. Jonas Cobb. (As an aside, he tells Tony that his eyeball opened MTAC because he got angry at Tony one time for slamming the door in his face, and he wanted to make the point that the CIA could go anywhere they wanted.) Kort asks Gibbs why Barrett is leading the investigation, and Gibbs prevaricates, pronouncing Barrett to be a "qualified" agent. Kort is not fooled – he points out that Barrett doesn't have a history of questioning authority, either, and then, in an apparent swift change of subject, asks Gibbs if he ever read the Vance file that Kort gave him a while back. Gibbs doesn't answer. At that point, Gibbs pulls out his cell phone and calls Mike Franks in Mexico – and we realize that the Mike we have been seeing trading quips with Gibbs up to now has only been in Gibbs' mind. Gibbs asks Franks how quickly he can get to D.C. – "there's something that I need you to bring."

In the present, Gibbs is still standing uncertainly by the table holding the body bag.

Yesterday: As Gibbs enters the office, Barrett reports excitedly that Stark's murder had been captured on a witness's cell phone. As they watch the video, Stark stoops down to examine a teddy bear playing a drum, and is attacked from behind, with a faint glimpse of a profile. The same man appears on NCIS security cameras, accessing the building as Stark. Cade is going to take the pics down to Abby for possible identification, and Gibbs' team is unnerved out by the idea of the P2P killer walking around their office. Gibbs remembers a day when his eyeglasses went missing, and realizes that the P2P killer has been studying them. "Know thy enemy," he quotes. "Mike" asks him, "Did you ever think about keeping your mouth shut?" and Gibbs smiles as he gets Barrett's attention – he knows the identity of the P2P killer. Barrett and Gibbs visit Vance to discuss the CIA's involvement, and when Vance comments that he wouldn't be inclined to take anything Trent Kort says at face value, Gibbs laughs quietly, and points out that Kort's missing eyeball is confirmation. Vance dryly inquires if they should stuff the eyeball back in and see if it fits, like Cinderella's glass slipper, and Gibbs grins and volunteers. Vance explains to Barrett that he and Gibbs have "a bit of history with this particular operative," and Barrett, misunderstanding, thinks that it will be easier to work with Kort. Vance and Gibbs laugh again – "Nothing is ever easy with Trent Kort," says Vance. Tony interrupts the meeting to report that the CIA is uncooperative with regards to Jonas Cobb, claiming that the matter is classified.

Present day: Gibbs is still standing beside the body bag, with echoes of a conversation going through his head: Mike telling him that he's on the plane, and didn't bother to pack, only checked the box and his piece.

Flashback to early that morning: Gibbs is getting ready to leave for work. "Mike" is seated on the sofa, with his arms crossed, and inquires if Gibbs is planning to shave "that ugly mug" or if he is just measuring the weight of his conscience. A knock on the door reveals Mike Franks, holding a banker's box. Coughing, Mike demands a drink, but Gibbs protests that it's 6 o'clock in the morning. "So, throw a Cheerio in it," gripes Mike, but Gibbs tells him that he's on his way into the office, and Mike can go with him. The banker's box is placed on a side table, and before they leave, Mike tells Gibbs that he is leaving Decker's insurance policy with Gibbs when he goes. "That box of goodies has kept me in Vance's good standing for almost three years," he continues with a grin, "I hope it does the same for you." "I hope I don't need it," declares Gibbs as they walk out the door.

In the present: Gibbs slumps against the table holding the body bag, shaking his head. "You already know what comes next, Mike," he whispers, but Mike's gravelly voice urges him to "think it through again – that's why you're staring at a body bag looking for answers."

Earlier that morning, as Gibbs and Mike walk into the office, Mike is greeting enthusiastically

by Abby, who gives him a quick run-down of the search for the P2P killer. Glancing around at Barrett's team, he mutters, "Who are these people?" and Abby brightly answers, "Oh! These are the new guys! Gibbs didn't tell you?" He and Gibbs exchange a look, and Mike shrugs it off. "A man of few words," he tells Abby and he continues into the office. Ziva blows Mike a kiss in greeting, and Tony shakes his head, commenting that Mike's missing finger makes for a weird handshake. McGee and Tony report that they can't track the witness's emails but they think it's a woman – she's afraid that the P2P killer will target her, next. Barrett is in MTAC with Kort and Vance – Gibbs and Mike go to join them. Vance is very welcoming, introducing Mike to Barrett and Kort as an "NCIS legend." Kort objects to Mike's presence, but Vance tells him that having Kort uncomfortable is a good enough reason to keep Mike there. "I'll take this to my grave!" winks Mike to Kort. Kort goes on to describe a program called "Operation Frankenstein", a program to recruit and develop CIA assassins within the existing military structure. Cobb was a standout in the program, and "graduated" when he killed an Al-Qaeda operative. The mission was a success, but the murder affected Cobb adversely – he didn't rejoin his unit, became difficult to manage, and suddenly bodies began popping up. Meanwhile McGee has located the originating address of the emails to Stark, and Barrett and her team go to pick up the witness. Gibbs gives the team a copy of the "Operation Frankenstein" report, and asks them to have Ducky do a psych profile.

In Gibbs's basement that evening, Gibbs and Mike are reviewing NCIS covert operation files, and Mike mutters that it's probably not a good idea to light up down there, between the fumes of bourbon and the sawdust. Mike observes that Gibbs trusted Vance. "Still do," affirms Gibbs, but Mike goes on to observe that "things haven't been right between you," and Gibbs admits that lately, he's right. Mike doesn't think it's anything that Gibbs has done, but Vance pushing Gibbs away, and bringing in Barrett – even Vance and Kort seem to have something cooking. "Tough to miss," agrees Gibbs. Mike, rising, motions to the files and comments, "Well, I hope these old ghosts tell you what you need to hear." Gibbs wryly admits that they do – and he sees them, too. Mike tells Gibbs that they make their own ghosts – not only by killing people, but with the memories they make. "We fill the spaces we live in with them, that's why I've always tried to make sure that wherever I live, the longer I live there, the spaces get filled with memories – of nekkid women!" Gibbs and Mike laugh, and Mike offers a toast: "To more good memories!" Coughing, Mike finishes his drink, and heads upstairs.

In the present: Gibbs slowly unzips the body bag . . .

Earlier in the evening, Mike steps outside and lights up a cigarette. His attention is fixed by a movement across the street, and as the rain begins to fall, he ventures out into the street, watching carefully. "Ain't you smart enough to get out of the rain?" he shouts a challenge, "Me, neither. My name is Mike Franks, and I figure I've got one more good fight left in me. Ya want it?" and out of the darkness, Jonas Cobb rushes at him. They struggle; Mike gets off a few shots, but is stabbed by Cobb, who quickly limps away. Hearing the gunshot amid the thunder, Gibbs flies outside, frantically gathering Mike in his arms, and, realizing that he is dead, sighs, "Aw, Mike . . ."

And as Gibbs unzips body bag, we see Mike Franks' still body.

Jimmy and Ducky begin the autopsy, and as Jimmy takes photos, Gibbs walks up. "We can call you, after we finish the autopsy," offers Jimmy hesitantly, but Ducky is gruff: "Leave him be, Mr. Palmer." Tony and Ziva enter autopsy and confirm that the prints on the scalpel left in Mike's chest belong to Jonas Cobb, but there's no trace of him or Mike's gun in a twenty square-block area. Ziva reports five shell casings, and Gibbs confirms that he heard five shots. Glancing at the autopsy table, Ziva begins to stumble through her report and grows silent, with a stricken look on her face. Tony manfully plows through the report – they found a blood- stained slug in a nearby parked car, so the assumption is that Cobb is injured. Gibbs smiles slightly and turns to look at Franks. "Mike's swan song," he says softly, and Ziva excuses herself. Gibbs motions to Tony to follow her, and then, turning to Ducky, says, "It's a myth, isn't it?" and Ducky agrees that the myth of the mute swan isn't true. "Perfect," sighs Gibbs, finally turning away and leaving.

In the elevator, Ziva is wiping away tears. "There is always another monster," she says softly. Tony agrees, and Ziva goes on: "We still pursue them, but we just keep making targets of ourselves." Tony gazes at her, and points out, "Better us than someone who didn't sign up for it." Ziva looks up at Tony with tear-filled eyes. "I don't think I can take anymore," she says quietly, and then, leaning into Tony's shoulder, begins to cry. The elevator opens, and McGee and Abby are standing in the hall, Abby crying in McGee's arms. They stare at each other for a moment,

and holding his arm open, Tony says quietly, "Bring it in." The four of them stand close together, with their arms around each other, heads bowed.

Gibbs and Ducky discuss Cobb's psychological profile, and how his first kill for the CIA freed him from the rules of civilization and turned him into a beast. Gibbs is confused why Cobb was stalking him, but Ducky points out that he was probably only observing him, but ended up being goaded by Mike.

In Vance's office, Gibbs comes to stand beside Vance standing in the window, staring out at the rain. He tells him that he studies him because sometimes, "I can't understand why you make the God-awful decisions that you do." Vance tells him that he feels the same way about Gibbs. "Except, you aren't responsible for my actions, Gibbs, and I am for yours." Gibbs protests that he should have been on this case from the beginning. Vance tells him that he's sorry about Franks, "but you called him in, figuring that I would see him and would bend." "You always do," confirms Gibbs. Vance exclaims that there is nothing on him, and if he had to step back from their friendship, it was because he had to in order to do his job. Gibbs isn't buying it. "Maybe when bodies were popping up over Europe, but when they started showing up in my backyard, you promoted that . . . that . . . rookie over me?" he says, getting to the heart of his anger. "It wasn't my decision," Vance tells him. A light bulb goes off: "Promotions – he hates 'em," mutters Gibbs, suddenly side-tracked. "He thinks we (he and Cobb) have that in common. He stole a souvenir from my desk. He was at my house." They realize that Cobb has baited Barrett with the videotape – Cobb taped himself, and has drawn Barrett and her team into a trap. Vance quickly calls Barrett to tell her that Cobb is armed and is probably anticipating her arrival. She and her team carefully explore the darkened building, and Cade and Levin stumble into a room whose wall is covered with pictures of Barrett and her team. As they leave to rejoin Barrett, a shot rings out and Levin jerks, cries out, and falls. Vance and Gibbs hear the gunshot, and then another as Cade runs up to Levin and is also shot. Vance yells into the speakerphone, asking Barrett for her status. She takes a shot at a fleeing shadow, and then tells Vance and Cade and Levin are down, and, helping Cade drag himself out of the way, she tells Vance she is going after Cobb. Vance tells her to wait for backup, but she disregards his instructions, carefully easing down the corridor, hugging the wall. Suddenly, a toy bear starts beating its drum. Startled, her attention is diverted to the bear for a moment – and suddenly, Cobb bursts through the drywall and attacks Barrett. They struggle, and the last frame shows Barrett on the ground, Cobb forcing her gun hand down then inexorably moving his own gun under her chin. Advertisement

Pyramid

Season 8
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Recurring Role: Muse Watson (Mike Franks), David Dayan Fisher (Trent Kort), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer), Sarah Jane Morris (Special Agent EJ Barrett)
Guest Stars: Enrique Murciano (Ray Cruz), Kerr Smith (Navy Lieutenant Jonas Cobb), Alimi Ballard (NCIS Special Agent Gayne Levin), Matthew Willig (NCIS Special Agent Simon Cade), Matt Craven (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis), Jude Ciccolella (Secretary of the Navy Phillip Davenport), Tehmina Sunny (Leyla Shakarji), Vera Miao (Pamela Cook)
Production Code: 186
Summary: When the Port-to-Port killer is finally revealed, the entire NCIS team finds themselves in grave danger.



Gibbs and Tony inspect the hallway where we last saw EJ grappling with P2P.

They find the wall of photos and then EJs team member Cade, who is badly hurt. Levin didnt make it. Tony wants to go find EJ, but Gibbs tells him to stay with Cade.

Gibbs goes to the parking lot, gun drawn. He peers into a car. He sees plastic wrap peeking out of the trunk. EJ is

wrapped up inside. He rolls her over. Shes still breathing.

Back at NCIS, EJ is in shock. Cade is in surgery, someones notifying Levins family in Chicago. Duckie and Palmer are with his body.

P2P keyed a phone number into the side of the car EJ was found in. Its a secure blocked government line. Ziva looks at it and recognizes it as Rays cell phone number. Gibbs tells her to find him and warn him.

Vance reads up on Operation Frankenstein, the CIA op that created P2P, also known as Jonas Cobb.

In the bathroom, EJ furiously tries to get rid of the ink that P2P drew across her neck instead of slitting it. She doesnt understand why he let her leave. She blames herself for her team getting hurt. She wonders if all this would have happened if anyone but her had been on the case. Tony tries to reassure her and cautions her not to let P2P get in her head.

Gibbs visits Duckie in the morgue. He thinks Cobb used Franks gun on Levin. Cobbs trying to punish people who turned him into Frankenstein.

EJ comes down. She wants a moment to pay her respects. They leave her alone with his body. She holds Levins hand, then examines his wrist. She takes out a knife and makes a tiny slit. She

squeezes a tiny electronic pellet out from under his skin and puts it in a small plastic specimen jar. She takes it.

Ziva cant reach Ray. P2P knows hes on the case and shes worried about him.

Secretary of the Navy Phillip Davenport (Jude Ciccolella) comes to NCIS and barks at Vance that it better be important. Gibbs says with an agent wounded and another dead, nothings more important.

McGees waiting for Ziva in her lab. She spent the night at the hospital at Cades bedside. McGee picks that moment to be jealous and ask if theyre more than friends. She announces its time to go home. He wants to go with her to protect her.

Ziva tries to reassure EJ that theres no rhyme or reason to agents dying on the job. EJ says its her fault but Ziva says it was just Levins time.

Tony calls Ziva with info from Agent Kort on a DC hotel where Ray is staying. EJ wants to go with her, but Ziva says shes going to get her boyfriend and hell be staying with her instead of a safehouse.

At the hotel, Ziva knocks on the door. She walks in when it opens and instead of seeing Ray, Cobb is waiting for her. He knocks her out.

Sec-Nav Davenport tells Vance to deal with the situation and then asks if hes up to it. Vance says since Eli David was here and since he got here, things have been different. He says things have gone wrong. Vance takes out file marked confidential. Davenport doesnt want to talk about Frankenstein but Vance flips a switch and assures him the room is secure.

Gibbs looks at an old letter from Mike down in his basement. In it, he says hes only got a few months left with his lungs. Gibbs works on a flower inlay on a piece of wood.

Gibbs gets a call from Tony.

Back at NCIS, Tony tells Gibbs about Ziva going to Rays hotel room. Hes unconcerned until he sees Ray is standing there. He hasnt checked in yet. They cant reach Ziva. EJ tries to blame herself, but Gibbs nips her martyr routine in the bud. Ray assures them Kort didnt mislead them.

Gibbs learns Kort, or Agent Eyepatch as Tony calls him, is already in the building.

Vance, Kort and Davenport meet in Vances office. Kort reminds Vance that Operation Frankenstein was his idea when he was in the War College. Vance says it was flawed from the beginning and should have been aborted. Davenport defends the idea. Vance blames Kort for pushing Cobb too far.

Vance says its not Gibbs and Barretts fault. For once the weight does not fall on the bottom of the pyramid. This operation was your call, accept it, Vance tells Davenport.

Gibbs storms up to the office and tries to bust in like always, but its locked down tight. Instead he takes the secretarys phone and calls in.

He tells them that Ziva is missing based on info from Kort. If she gets hurt, you answer to me, Gibbs says. Kort asks Vance if Gibbs is threatening him.

If she isnt, I am, Vance says.

At the hotel, Tony cant hide his concern. EJ says everyone is worried. Its just different for some of us, he says.

EJ wonders what that means when suddenly Cobb strolls through the hotel room door, with his arms raised. He gets down on his knees and surrenders.

Back at NCIS, EJ thinks Cobb is playing them. Tony cites Rule 16: If someone thinks they have the upper hand, break it.

Gibbs joins Cobb, who snorts with derision. He thinks Gibbs is acting proud. Gibbs says theres nothing to be proud about since Cobb gave himself up. Cobb says his work was almost done. He mentions Samson, who he says EJ wrote about in her psych profile of him.

Cobb tells Gibbs about a boy whose father was a captain in the navy, who had a horse named Samson who needed to be put down. Instead of calling the vet, the captain shot the horse to teach a lesson.

Gibbs asks where Ziva is. Now what kind of lesson would you learn if my actions were humane? Cobb says.

You failed as a navy officer, you were an embarrassment to the CIA, a disappointment to your dad and you want to teach me a lesson? Gibbs says.

Tony demands information from Ray. He says Frankenstein was a legitimate CIA operation, but there was a similar program for the private sector. Kort skimmed money off the top. Ray

suggests Cobb would only give himself up so easily if there was something specific he wanted at NCIS.

Tony confronts Kort, who says he has no idea how high this goes. Certain people had a lot to gain from this project, Kort says. He tries to get Tony to think four moves ahead like P2P.

Abby finds that the blood on Cobbs hands is Zivas. There was concrete dust from where Cade and Levin were shot. She also found sheet metal rust and homeopathic oils that help with muscle aches in people. What if they werent people? Gibbs says.

McGee confirms the oils are used on liniments for horses. McGee finds a record of the Cobb family farm. Gibbs tells EJ she cant go, people upstairs want her benched. He tells her he knows the Sec-Nav is her uncle and has from day one. She insists she got where she is on her own. He doesnt think so.

At the Cobb farm, they find the house deserted. They inspect the barn, with a stall marked Samson. Theres a toy monkey clapping.

They find Ziva tied up in the next stall. Shes got a cut on her head but is OK. She quickly tells them her kidnapping was a distraction, Cobb needed to get them all out and get into NCIS. Davenport and Vance have security. But Gibbs points out his niece EJ doesn't. This is news to Tony.

Back at NCIS, an agent leads Cobb onto an elevator with EJ and Palmer, who couldnt be more nervous. EJ asks Palmer about his news. Hes getting married in the spring.

When they get off the elevator, Cobb knocks out the agent holding him with a head butt, kicks EJ to the floor and jumps over his cuffs so his hands are in front. He puts them around Palmers throat and tells EJ its round two, theyre going for a drive in the ME van.

The team is back upstairs and tracking the ME van. Tony is still smarting that EJ didnt tell him about her uncle.

Ziva defends keeping quiet about powerful relatives, something she understands having a father whos the head of Mosad.

Up in Vances office, Davenport questions the plan. Gibbs thinks that Cobb had the chance once to hurt EJ and didnt. Hes showing them how humane he can be, Vance says. They found a note saying theyll be waiting at home.

Its the building where Frankenstein took place, where Cade and Levin were shot.

Davenport tells Vance certain private jobs were taken as political favors that neither the CIA nor Navy officially authorized. Kort handled them.

Davenport announces hes submitting his resignation as soon as this is over. Lets take care of this son of a bitch, he announces.

Davenport walks into the Frankenstein building alone, wearing a bullet proof vest. He finds Cobb waterboarding his three captives. He says hes training them. His third student is Kort. Cobb knocks him out.

Cobb holds his gun to EJs neck, saying shes a good agent. Cobb waits for the other agents. Vance and Gibbs come in. I thought I was being trained to do what was right, Cobb says.

Davenport says they can talk about things and he wants to help.

Gibbs looks toward the ground and Palmer gets the signal. He waits.

Liar, Cobb says. EJ and Palmer both duck and Vance, Gibbs and Davenport fire. Cobb is blasted out through the window. He falls several stories and lands on a car below, toast.

EJ packs up her things at work. Cade has been reassigned to Washington state, to spend time with his family while he heals. McGee tries to appear sad to see him leave.

EJ tells Tony shes quitting, too. You can have Rota if you want, she tells him. I think Ill stay put, no sense walking away from a good thing, he says. Is that a compliment, DiNozzo? Gibbs asks. No sir, boss, sorry. Never, Tony says.

EJ announces shes thinking about sticking around DC. Tony suggests maybe theyll bump into each other. She says its possible, but seems to mean see you tonight.

Gibbs tells her to come back any time.

Ziva opens a jewelry box from Ray. It's empty. He tells her to consider it a promise. He says he has to work outside the country for a while. She doesnt want him to go, but he says he has to.

Is this good bye? she asks. For now. How do I know? You gave me an empty box. I gave you a promise, he says.

Ray gets a text: Kort in Tel Aviv. Handle ASAP. He tells her its nothing.

Gibbs serves as a pallbearer for Mike Franks at his military funeral at Arlington. Everyone is there.

Hes buried in a fine, handcrafted wood coffin. We recognize the wood details that Gibbs has been working on all season. Franks knew hed need it and must have asked in the letter.

Vance talks to the new Secretary of the Navy, Clayton Jarvis (Matt Craven). Theyre old pals. Jarvis mentions DiNozzo, saying hes spoken to him twice already.

Tony joins them. Jarvis gives Tony clearance to discuss a black op, saying no one else needs to know. Vance is concerned but Jarvis barrels on. He says an agent in NCIS is selling top secret intel and they need to be dealt with.

Jarvis gives Tony the file. He looks at it and is stunned and concerned, but then regains his straight face. Thats who youre handling, Jarvis says. Any questions?

Season Nine

Nature of the Beast

Season 9

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Production Code: 189
Summary: After spending months tracking down his target, Tony is left with the blood of an NCIS agent on his hands and it's up to Gibbs to help him put the pieces of the puzzle together.



Previously on: Ray tells Ziva he has to go overseas, Gibbs says good-bye to his mentor Mike, the Sec Nav resigns and DiNozzo gets put on a special case investigating a mole in NCIS.

Kate's psychiatrist sister, Dr. Rachel Cranston, comes to see Gibbs at the hospital. Someone has been shot in the chest and has a concussion. Gibbs wants her to talk to him about whatever happened. Gibbs opens the door, it's Tony.

Gibbs confirms Tony was shot in the chest, but it hit the vest. Tony's making jokes about it. Tony fired two shots and there was a lot of blood, but no body. She

asks him who he shot.

Gibbs comes in. He holds up a badge with blood on it. It's not Tony's. "You shot another NCIS agent?" Cranston asks. Tony says he can't remember any of it.

Tony remembers he had orders from the Sec Nav. Gibbs hasn't heard from the rest of the team yet, it's the middle of the night. The shrink thinks he'll get his memory back. Tony says he was following orders, but Gibbs says they weren't from him.

Dr. Cranston asks about his assignment.

Flash back to late May, Tony on the golf course with the Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis. He doesn't want the rest of the team's help, just Tony. "You saw the photo, who know who the problem is. Make it happen," Jarvis says.

Tony explains no one suspected his mission at first. Ziva emails Ray on his assignment, even though he can't write back. Gibbs gives Ziva her official NCIS badge, she's no longer a probationary agent. Ziva thinks they should all go out. Tony says he'll take a rain check.

Gibbs visits Tony on the shooting range, warning him if Jarvis needs his help to keep his eyes open. Tony says he became a cop because he thought it would make the lines of good and evil clear. Gibbs asks what's on his mind, but Tony nonchalantly says he's just doing his job.

Dr. Cranston clarifies that when Tony was told to "handle" something it could mean killing someone. Tony says it started with a photo, but he can't remember of whom. He remembers he destroyed it.

Flash back to May. Ziva heard he was given a new assignment. She's going to Central America soon to meet an old friend, a woman. Ziva wants her advice.

Ziva tells Tony she doesn't need to know what he's up to but NCIS has been through a lot. She says "we" need some time. She tells him to look out for himself.

Gibbs visits Duckie, who is aggravated by something he found in the autopsy of Levin, the member of Barrett's team who was killed in last season's finale. He found a small cut made after Levin died. He checked security footage and found EJ Barrett digging something out of his wrist. It was a small microchip. Gibbs thinks the timing of DiNozzo's mission could explain it.

Gibbs confronts Vance about DiNozzo's orders. He wonders again if Jarvis can be trusted.

Abby, Ziva and McGee examine security footage of Tony with his secret picture, trying to figure out what they see. McGee just hopes Tony's target isn't anyone they know.

Gibbs confronts Jarvis at a state function, where he tells Gibbs he can have DiNozzo back after the mission. As they're talking outside a country club a Navy officer named Felix Wright pulls up in a car, stumbles out bloody and collapses at Jarvis' feet. Dead.

Duckie finds an incision just like the one Levin had. Gibbs mentions that fact to Jarvis, who tells them not to talk about Wright's death with anyone. Vance tells Gibbs to look into their connection quietly.

Tony wasn't at the scene because he was working on his assignment. Tony tells Dr. Cranston he had to follow Barrett, but she was hard to find. He tracked her to a tropical island, where she told him she was going to meet a friend. She says they'll talk about it when she gets back. He tells her people are looking for her. She says the microchip isn't hers to give back. He says he can help if she'll let him but she's not sure she can trust him.

Back at NCIS, McGee finds that both Levin and Wright used to be in the office of naval intel, working for the director of special operations, Sean Latham. He leads an armada of surveillance vehicles calls the "watcher fleet."

Back at the hospital, FBI agent Casey Stratton (Scott Wolf) asks Gibbs about Tony's shooting, but he's not talking.

Barrett tells Tony she promised Levin she'd get the microchip to the right person. She claims not to know what's on it, but Tony doesn't believe her. She says she was going to meet Felix Wright. Just then they're shot at. They get in the car and race off.

Hearing the story, Dr. Cranston thinks it means EJ was the traitor, but Tony says EJ needed his help. Dr. Cranston asks Tony why he keeps getting involved with dysfunction women.

Abby has done some microchip research and finds they were implanted around the same time and emitted low frequency waves, like garage door openers.

At NCIS, Gibbs is called in to meet with Jarvis and Latham, the director of the Watchers group. He confirms Levin and Wright worked for him as part of a group called "Phantom Eight," a group that tried to stop acts of terrorism before they happened. The microchip let them into the secure Watcher database. They're worried Barrett is trying to sell it.

Gibbs comes home and finds Tony and EJ waiting for him. They relax around dinner and finally EJ turns over the microchip, saying again she doesn't know what it does. She wants to know who to give it to.

Tony says he's worried about Barrett's team member Cade, who was close with Levin. Gibbs tells her to reach out to him.

In the hospital, Cranston and Tony are talking when FBI agent Stratton barges in, all smiles and friendship. He pretends like Gibbs said he could talk to Tony. Tony doesn't seem to know him as Stratton takes the temperature in the room, then he excuses himself.

September Tony returns to work and to questions from the team. Abby interrupts with a video from Cade. He's in trouble.

Gibbs comes in to Tony's hospital room, saying he talked to his FBI pal Fornell, but he didn't know anything about Stratton. Gibbs tells Tony there were two other types of blood found at the scene. Gibbs asks Tony who he was handling.

Flash back to Tony meeting with Jarvis on the golf course again. He asks for permission to speak candidly. "This mission blows," Tony says. He cites Rule No. 6: "If you feel like you're being played, you probably are."

Tony wants off the assignment because people close to him are getting hurt. He says if Jarvis doesn't take him off, he'll quit. Jarvis tells Tony he owns him. Tony walks off and Jarvis sits down to drinks with Sean Latham, the Watchers guy. He's not impressed with how Jarvis is handling Tony.

In the hospital room, Tony tells Gibbs that EJ was blindsided.

Flashback to the alley and EJ walking alone. She sees someone in the shadows. It's Cade. He tells her life's been difference since he got shot, since he can't work.

Tony comes out of the shadows with his gun drawn on Cade, telling Cade to 'fess up. Tony accuses him of taking Wright's chip. Cade says he only came because EJ texted him. She didn't. They realize they all got the same text message luring them there.

Suddenly shots ring out. Cade is hit first, then EJ. Tony is able to get his gun out before he is hit, too.

Cade's body was found by Metro PD. The badge was his, but Tony's bullets in his body were post mortem. Someone else killed him and planted his badge on Tony. They're still looking for EJ.

Gibbs says the photo was always Cade. Tony remembers he needed EJ to bring Cade in. They were all used after EJ took the microchip.

Dr. Cranston gently prods Tony, reminding him he saw the shooter in the alley. Tony thinks back and realizes he saw Stratton.

Gibbs puts Cade's badge and bullet casing on Vance's desk, reporting to Stratton and Latham. They know Gibbs is still at risk, but they have no idea who Agent Stratton is.

Out on a ship at sea, Latham uses his own microchip to get into a secret room. He has two others. He turns and congratulates Stratton, telling him Jarvis is none the wiser. He tells Stratton to find EJ. Stratton promises he will. Latham opens up video conferencing and asks who would like to start the bidding on the microchips.

Gibbs digs deep into Mike Frank's old records and finds a file on the Phantom Eight. There's a photo of them including Levin, Wright... and Stratton.

Restless

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Guest Stars: Branton Box (John Smith), Bonnie Dennison (Lindsey), Brianne Howey (High School Girl), Kevin Michael Martin (High School Guy), Josh Drennen (Curtis Beane), Jay Ellis (Marine PFC Thomas "Tommy" Hill), Sam Lerner (Nathan Tobias), Taylor Nichols (Hank Galvaston), Louis Herthum (Ernest McCormick), Eve Gordon (Amanda McCormick)
Production Code: 187
Summary: The NCIS team investigates the death of a young Marine that came to his homecoming party with a stab wound.



A teenager named Nathan serves booze to guests at a surprise party. The guest of honor walks in the house. Then he drops dead.

McGee and Ziva try to get Tony to stop moping by giving him presents. Ziva gives him two tickets to female mud wrestling. McGee got him the same thing. Gibbs comes in with the body of the week. He's Private First Class Thomas Hill, he just returned from Afghanistan. He was about to be the Grand Marshall in a Homecoming parade. Duckie announces the victim was stabbed. Ziva and McGee follow the trail of blood to a cell phone in the street,

but before they can get to it, a street cleaner runs it over.

Cut to Tony unloading piles of dirt from the cleaner in the basement and Ziva and McGee sifting through it. Private Hill was in foster care as a child and was adopted by a Marine family. They couldn't find anyone to say anything bad about him.

They meet with his family. His step-sister Lindsay, who's been with the family for two years, blames herself for not meeting him after work. His dad mentions they almost lost their house last year. His mom says something was bothering him a few days after he came home.

In the lab, Abby looks at the cell phone from the street sweeper. Pfc. Hill's blood is on it, but Abby has to crack its code. Abby found Hill spent the last three days trying to hack into the Virginia state database. GPS shows six months ago the laptop was off a remote trail in the woods.

McGee and Tony head to the coordinates, where Tony pays McGee \$200 to dig. Homecoming has made Tony feel guilty about boarding school, when he strung a kid up by his tighty whities.

McGee digs until he finds a lockbox, which he picks open. They find about \$50,000 in cash.

Gibbs visits the morgue, where Duckie reports Hill was injected with a sedative against his will before he was killed.

At the Homecoming parade, McGee and Ziva meet Nathan, Lindsay's not quite boyfriend. Ziva as Mr. and Mrs. McCormick if he ever showed interest in computer hacking or had a lot of cash. Mr. McCormick objects to the questions and ends the interview. The parents leave, but the remaining teenagers heckle McGee.

Back at the office, Tony is trying to track down "Stinky John," the kid he strung up by his undies. McGee volunteers to help find him.

At the big screen, Tony reports that the McCormicks were six months behind on rent, but recently paid it all off in cash. Ziva found two syringes near the crime scene. Abby got prints off them. They belong to Curtis Beane, who's been on parole for years.

They visit his job, Second Chance Tacos. His boss says he hasn't seen him in two days and is worried about him. The restaurant employs all ex-cons. The manager promises Curtis wouldn't have done it.

Abby has cracked the phone but there's no address book on it. She found surveillance photos of Lindsay. Hill wasn't the killer's target.

Gibbs and Ziva meet with Lindsay and the McCormicks, telling them they thought someone wanted to kidnap Lindsay. The McCormicks say the bank reduced their mortgage. Lindsay's birth parents live with an anti-technology commune in Pennsylvania. She got beat up by her parents a lot and ran away. She doesn't know where they are now.

Around the screen, Tony thinks Hill and Curtis were in cahoots on something and Hill took more than his fair share so Curtis tried to kidnap Lindsay.

McGee reports to Tony that he found his old nemesis John, but he's getting on a plane to leave the country tomorrow.

Gibbs stands guard at the McCormick's. The parents are asleep, but Lindsay brings him coffee. There's a noise outside and Mr. McCormick goes to the door with Gibbs. He drags in Nathan. He sees the file on Curtis and recognizes him as someone who flagged him down for directions, but then panicked and ran.

Tony calls to report Curtis Beane just showed up at work. At the restaurant, Curtis is up on the roof, saying he can't go back to prison. He starts to tip over the ledge, but they grab him. They find a needle sticking out of his arm.

Back at the office, McGee thinks it means it's an open and shut case.

Ziva examined the supposed bank letter and determined it was a forgery. She found the file on the laptop, which didn't leave the state when Hill was overseas. Ziva ran Lindsay's DNA – it matches the blood on the second syringe. Abby also got a rough estimate of her age – she's 27, not 17.

They find multiple fake names and records for her. She lives with foster families for two years then bails when she's supposed to turn 18. They wonder if it's why Hill was trying to access the Virginia database.

Tony goes to talk to his old classmate John. He's tall, good-looking and getting into a Town Car. Tony stumbles through an apology. John is surprised that Tony is the one who's sorry.

Gibbs interviews "Lindsay," and shows her the needle. She maintains her lie. Gibbs is about to arrest her when she says that she was waiting for Tommy when someone stuck her with a needle. Tommy told her to run and she did, then woke up in a field half an hour later. He shows her the old yearbook photos under different names, but she says they must be fake.

In the morgue, Duckie thinks Lindsay believes her story. The signature on the forged bank letter is in her handwriting; she paid off the bank.

Her medical file shows lots of old scars, which prove her had a rough past of some kind. Gibbs notices one that looks like a grid. Cut to the taco boss taking a taco out of the deep fryer with a metal holder with a grid pattern.

Gibbs shows him a photo of Lindsay and Pfc Hill. He says he doesn't recognize either of them. But state records show she's his niece and he got custody when she was 11, after her parents died in a car crash. He tries to run, but they grab him.

He says she stole Curtis' money years ago and then just randomly ran into her and wanted his money back. The store owner says Curtis operated a robbery ring with guys from the shop, but they know the manager was really the leader.

Gibbs and Tony take "Lindsay" back to the McCormicks before taking her to the mental hospital for an evaluation. She sees the McCormicks and is afraid to talk to them, but Gibbs urges her to. The McCormicks tell her nothing has changed between them.

Tony tells Gibbs about his own apology. Apparently Lindsay wasn't the only one reinventing her past; John strung Tony up. Tony says he's been telling the story that way for years and doesn't know when he flip-flopped it.

Gibbs assures him he doesn't have to tell McGee, but Tony thinks he should.

The Penelope Papers

Season 9
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Season Episode: 3

Originally aired: Tuesday October 4, 2011
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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: James Michael Connor (Andrew Pike), Hillary Tuck (Justine Booth), David Clennon (Max Ellswood), Sam McMurray (John Westfal), Lily Tomlin (Penelope Langston), Matthew Alan (Navy Lieutenant Paul Booth)
Production Code: 188
Summary: The line between McGee's personal and professional life is blurred when NCIS uncovers a connection between his grandmother and the murder of a Navy lieutenant.



A guy talks to his wife on the phone, making excuses for not coming home last night. He walks around frantically in a park, then sits on a bench and makes another call. "I'm starting to really lose it here. I can't keep lying to my wife, it's killing me. We need to end this," he says. As he tells the person on the other end where to meet him, a gloved hand holding a gun sneaks out from behind a tree and shoots him dead.

Tony comes to work, irritated with his dad for over-doing his birthday plans and making Tony foot the bill. McGee remembers his dad assessing a special card he

made for him one year and giving it back, saying he could do better. His dad was a crusty navy admiral who believed in tough love.

Gibbs comes for the body of the week, a dead navy officer downtown. He was shot in the head. He's Lt. Paul Booth. Ziva found a badge with his name on it. His fingerprints are burned off. Tony finds McGee's business card on the victim.

Back at the office, McGee can't place him, but the victim had his eight-year-old business card. Booth served two tours overseas and had a good record. He taught math at a university, but recently cut his schedule down to one class a week. The employee badge he had was for Telis Research. McGee hacks in and finds Booth was an analyst and reported to the company VP John Westfal (Sam McMurray).

Gibbs talks to Mrs. Booth, who is very pregnant. She tells Gibbs Paul was anxious when they spoke. At first she thought it was an affair, but a few weeks ago he came home late and she saw a car parked across the street watching him. She saw the man again the last two nights.

Ziva and Tony visit Westfal at Telis. Booth's wife didn't know he worked there. Westfal won't tell them what Booth was working on.

Down in the morgue, Palmer's phone keeps ringing. The wedding planning is making them crazy.

Duckie reports that Booth was shot from 20 feet away. His fingertips had chemical burns.

Bank records show Booth's records were all cashed out and put in a trust for his wife. He filed a police report a week ago saying someone tried to run him off the road. The morning he died he called Westfal, his wife and an unlisted number. McGee traces it to Penelope Langston and freaks out. He runs out of the office.

Tony and McGee and go meet Penelope (Lily Tomlin), his grandmother. She knows Booth is dead.

Booth was a student of hers, but they stayed in touch. She says he was having trouble at work, but didn't know he was working at Telis. She knows it's a military think tank. She tells McGee not to make connections where there are none.

They leave and McGee is sure she's lying, the way she deflected reminded him of his dad. They want to figure out what she's hiding.

In the lab, Abby plays with a copy machine from Booth's basement. His fingerprints were singed by the old copier. He must have made 4,000 copies.

In the office, McGee finds that Penny never taught Booth. She retired before he started. Tony puts Andrew Pike, rival of Telis founder Max Elswood, on the big screen. He was fired in the 70s. McGee finds a bunch of emails from Westfal, including one telling Booth the Annex Principle is privileged information and he'd better come clean before things get out of control.

Gibbs and McGee go to talk with Westfal about the Annex Principle, which is highly classified. Westfal says Booth was stealing files – close to 4,000 pages of privileged documents. He admitted he gave them to a woman who was a "close friend." Max looks at the wall and sees a picture of his grandmother with Telis founder Max Elswood.

McGee goes to talk to Penny, who says she made a promise to Paul that she'd keep his family safe. She says she can't tell him. She walks away from him in a parking lot and is nearly run over by a car. McGee pulls her out of the way before she's hit.

Back at the office, McGee's trying to track down the car, which was a rental. McGee tells Gibbs that once Penny is committed to a cause, there's no swaying her.

Tony gets a call from a reporter named Michael, asking about Booth's murder and mentioning the Annex Principle. He says he's been meeting with Penny about it.

Gibbs talks to Penny, who still won't talk. Gibbs accuses her of knowing about the murder and McGee interrupts. Gibbs takes him out into the hall and tells him they need to know what's going on.

McGee goes to talk to her alone. He knows she worked as an analyst for the Telis group, then quit. She published a paper and Max Elswood asked her to work on the Annex Principle in 1968. She says they lied to her, that she was creating a weapon. She says they were about to go to print when the Vietnam War ended and they thought the Annex Principle was shelved. Booth learned she was one of the last living members of the original group. They were trying to finish what she started. McGee tells her how much she means to him.

The team talks to Andrew Pike in MTAC. He's in Bali. Penny told them Andrew threatened to make Telis pay for stealing his idea. Elswood wanted to market the Annex Principle, but Andrew left 39 years ago. He says the project is a threat to their way of life. McGee hacks into Telis' secret files and searches old files for the Anax Principle. He pulls up footage of a caterpillar. It was a hybrid bug and robot, a genetically engineered plague.

Penny and McGee go to meet Michael in a parking garage. She walks toward a parked car with the files, but no one gets out. The car speeds off and they see the reporter lying dead on the ground.

Back at the office, they think the killer is after Penny. McGee pulls up the original Anax group and finds it included Westfal. Penny says Westfal was power hungry. They find Westfal signed for the rental car that tried to run Penny over.

Gibbs talks to Westfal, who says it's a forgery. He says he admired Booth for the risks he took.

In the lab, Abby reports they found a super strong carbon fiber on the victims. She traced it to a Vietnam-era gun used by the Army.

McGee finds Ellswood and another guy served in the Army, but the other guy is way too young to have used the gun. Ellswood supposedly died in a plane crash 20 years ago, but his body wasn't found.

McGee checks on Penny but finds she left.

Cut to Penny trimming her bonsai tree and hearing a rustling. A man in a fedora and sunglasses steps out. It's Max.

He accuses Penny of trying to destroy his legacy. He has a gun. But Gibbs and the team are there before he can draw it.

Back at the office, Penny tells embarrassing McGee stories. She preps for her ride home. She says Gibbs reminds her of his dad; he loves McGee but doesn't know how to show it. She urges him to take the first step and call him. He says it's been seven years. Penny's ride home arrives, cocktails with Duckie.

She urges McGee to call his dad. She and Duckie leave. McGee picks up the phone and calls his dad.

Enemy on the Hill

Season 9
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Season Episode: 4

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Guest Stars: Jack Conley (Metro Detective Danny Sportelli), Brett Tucker (Navy Lieutenant Commander Geoffrey Brett), Michael B. Silver (Nicholas Sandlock), Melissa Ponzio (Drew Turner), Morocco Omari (NCIS Special Agent Thomas Survoy), Shannon Wilcox (Mrs. Roach), Daniel Louis Rivas (Kyle Davis), Sibila Vargas (ZNN Reporter Samantha Tate), Karly Rothenberg (Female Passerby), Kevin Cottleer (Paul Marvin Arliss)
Production Code: 190
Summary: When a contract killer murders a Navy Lieutenant Commander, the NCIS has to find out the motive behind it, and Abby learns valuable information about the case after going through a series of kidney donation tests.



A reporter interviews people about a \$14 billion appropriation for a new class of aircraft carrier. One woman says she'd have to ask her husband (seriously?), and so the reporter tries to ask a man nearby with a camera. He turns skittish and runs away into the street right into the path of an oncoming van. He's pancaked. The camera pans down and we see he had a gun.

At the office, Abby is excited she just got matched to give a kidney to an 18-year-old she doesn't know. Detective Sportelli arrives to brag to Gibbs that he caught The Cooler, the hitman suspected

in at least six contract killings. He's Paul Arliss and he's been living quietly in suburbia. He's the one who got hit by the van. He lived.

Ballistics tied the weapon he was carrying to four killings. They found notes and photos in his car parked nearby. His next target was going to be a naval Lt. commander named Jeffrey Brett, a Top Gun pilot. He got shot down on a mission over Iraq and survived for two weeks eating bugs until he was rescued.

He has one daughter and is currently assigned as a legislative fellow to the House Armed Services committee.

Gibbs and Ziva visit him and he can't think of anyone who would want him dead. He doesn't want to go into protective custody and miss the vote on the aircraft carriers, then he looks at Ziva and reconsiders.

Abby visits Duckie after meeting with the transplant coordinator. There were two people who volunteered to donate, her and her brother. But not the one she knows about. They were a 99.99% DNA match. She and her little brother Luka are both totally surprised. Both of her parents are dead, so she can't ask them.

McGee and Tony go to the hospital to visit The Cooler. Tony thinks he has the inside track and wants to talk to him, but they arrive and Sportelli tells them he's dead.

McGee looks up Arliss, who was salesman of the year for a manufacturing company. He has found no connection between Brett and the hitman.

Ziva accompanies Brett on the capitol. A guy named Nick comes up to talk to Brett, but reaches into his pocket and catches Ziva's attention, so she grabs his arm and pins him. Brett explains he's just a lobbyist, and he wants to meet with him later.

At Arliss's house, Tony paces off the inside and outside of the garage and finds a few feet missing. It's hollow behind the tool rack. They find the way to open in and find a bunch of rifles and a laptop inside. Sportelli lets them take the computer.

In the lab, Abby calls her old aunt as McGee works on the laptop. Abby's aunt barely remembers her.

The day before Arliss was hit by the truck, he got a \$25,000 wire transfer from the account of George Kaplan.

Brett comes in to NCIS, talking to his 8-year-old daughter, Tilly, who he mentions has special needs. Brett doesn't recognize the name Kaplan. He calls his ex-wife to suggest she take their daughter out of town.

Tony, Gibbs and McGee visit Kaplan's tiny low rent apartment. There are no clothes in the apartment and no food in the fridge. The landlady hasn't seen him since he rented the apartment. His business manager sends a check every month.

Ziva and Brett leave the Capitol, he holds the door open for her and ushers her through. He shuts the door behind her, locking her out. He waves good bye.

Back at the office, Ziva knows Brett has to be back at work for an 11 a.m. conference call. They find no license for George Kaplan, but Tony finds his business manager is Drew Turner and there's \$1.1 million in his brokerage account. McGee searches the Internet and finds Kaplan filed state and federal tax returns, prepared by Turner.

Tony and McGee visit Drew Turner, who turns out to be a hot woman. She gets a call as they're waiting and assures her nervous client she'll be there in about 10 minutes. She works out of her home.

She says George is about 58 and she hasn't talked to him since last tax season. She says she'll meet them at NCIS after she meets with her client. Tony flirts shamelessly.

Gibbs and Ziva confront Brett, who says he ditched last night to meet a woman. He says he can take care of himself. Gibbs tells Ziva to follow him again.

Back in the lab, Abby searches male birth records for Jefferson Parish, Louisiana. She hasn't run the prints from Kaplan's apartment yet and forgot to tell Tony and McGee that Drew Turner never showed up.

Tony confirms that the broker got the money transfer OK from Turner, which means she lied about not having spoken to Arliss recently.

They tracked a \$500,000 withdrawal to a gambling website from Kaplan's brokerage account made before the other wire transfer. Turner is authorized to transfer on the account.

Tony and McGee return to her home office. She doesn't answer the door. Tony peers through the mail slot and sees why: she's hanging by her neck inside.

Down in the morgue, Duckie says the hanging was staged. She was choked to death.

Upstairs, McGee wonders if there really is a Kaplan.

Gibbs suggests McGee help distract Abby look for her brother.

Ziva and Gibbs run the name Drew Turner by Lt. Cmdr. Brett, but he doesn't know it. He agrees to stay in protective custody.

Abby compares the Kaplan and Turner signatures on the brokerage account and is able to confirm they were made by two different people. Tony comes down, excited to announce the funds in the brokerage account came from the Broussard Bank in Geneva.

Nick the lobbyist busts in on Brett, worried they're about to lose a vote. Ziva excuses herself. Brett tells Nick about the threat, but says it'll go away in a few days.

Tony gives the rundown on George Kaplan's account, with four transfers totalling \$1.4 million.

Abby comes up with three fingerprints from the brokerage account signature card: a clerk, Drew and Brett. More importantly, Bretts signature matches the George Kaplan signature.

Now they wonder if he put a hit on himself and/or killed Drew Turner.

Tony finally has an epiphany that George Kaplan is the name of the guy who never existed in North by Northwest.

They figure Drew Turner had to be in on setting up the fake account. Tony calls Ziva and she listens in Bretts office as Tony tells her that Brett is Kaplan.

McGee got the name of the man whos DNA matches Abbys and Gibbs says hell take care of it.

He brings it to Abby. His names Kyle Davis. She wants to meet him. Gibbs offers to go but she says she needs to go alone.

Gibbs gets the name of the company that wired the money to Brett/Kaplan, a military contractor, the same one who would benefit from the bill hes trying to get passed.

They find matching weekly credit card receipts to a bar, where Drew and Brett must have met. She laundered his kickbacks.

Abby visits the address McGee found, its a pet rescue. Kyle looks just like her. He admires Abbys dog collar and says they have a pit bull terrier that has one just like it. He invites her to meet it.

Ziva escorts Brett to interrogation, where they find Nick the lobbyist finishing up with Tony and Gibbs.

Brett confesses, saying Drew had a gambling problem and was using George Kaplans money to pay off her debts. He knew it was her as soon as they said Kaplan took out a hit on him since shes the only other one who knew the name.

He says he was putting the money away for his daughters future needs. He asks for a lawyer.

Theres a knock on Gibbs door late at night, interrupting his tea and reading. Its Abby. She says Kyle seems really nice but she didnt tell him since he's giving a kidney the next day.

She couldnt reconcile her loving, wonderful parents ever giving up a child. But she realized they could have adopted a child: her.

She shows Gibbs her locket with a strand of her moms hair. She ran the DNA and it didnt match hers. She feels like Little Orphan Abby. Gibbs tells her her parents are still her parents. Familys more than just DNA. She wants to know why they didnt tell her she was adopted. Gibbs hugs her and says she doesnt have to do it alone, she has a family that will help her through it.

Safe Harbor

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Guest Stars: Wesam Keesh (Hakim Bawali), Ross Thomas (Coast Guard Petty Officer Third Class Kyle Sterling), Brandon Fobbs (Coast Guard Petty Officer Third Class Ben Cooper), Toks Olagundoye (Rebeka Hooper), Raffi Barsoumian (Rafiq Bawali), David Diaan (Farid Bawali), Matt Craven (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis), Shohreh Aghdashloo (Mariam Bawali), Diane Neal (CGIS Special Agent Abigail Borin)
Production Code: 191
Summary: While investigating the murder of a coast guard officer aboard an abandoned cargo vessel, the NCIS team finds a Lebanese family seeking refuge in the US. Meanwhile, Tony and McGee attempt to find the perfect woman for Gibbs.



The Coast Guard approaches a stalled vessel at sea. They board with guns drawn and find it's a smuggling ship. They wonder about the cargo and inspect. They're looking when shots ring out and one officer is hit.

The team gathers on Monday, complaining about Gibbs working too much and calling them all on the weekend. Tony thinks Gibbs needs a new woman. Officer Borin (Diane Neal) comes in to announce the body of the week. There's a dead Coast Guard petty officer on a ship, towed into Norfolk.

Tony thinks they should set Borin up

with Gibbs.

At the ship, one of the guard described what happened. Gibbs and Borin ask the same questions. They found nothing on the ship when they searched except counterfeit cosmetics.

Ziva thinks the crew got off the ship on the missing life boat. Borin shoots down Tony's love connection plans, but she offers to set him up with one of her friends.

They found three shells on the ship. Duckie's explaining when he hears a repeated tapping. It's a Morse code SOS coming from below on the ship. They follow the noise to an air vent. They pop it off and find people inside. The man says he and his family are from Lebanon and want asylum.

Gibbs fields an inquiry from Vance, who tells him not to let the stowaways on US soil. Lebanon is an ally and they don't want to have to investigate any allegations of mistreatment.

Gibbs talks to the father, Farid, who says the crew locked them away when they approached the coast. He says "they" threatened to kill his family back home.

Tony talks to the grown son, Rafiq, in the hull. He's angry and combative. The younger son, Hakim, is a university student.

Ziva talks to the mom, Mariam (Shohreh Aghdashloo). She asks why they aren't being allowed off the ship. Ziva has food brought in. She asks Ziva if she has children. Ziva says she had a sister, mother and brother but they were all killed.

Back at the office, Tony and McGee look into Borin's friends online, narrowing it to three.

They still haven't found the lifeboat.

In the morgue, Borin is suspicious of the stowaway family. Duckie says the rounds were fired from American-made guns sold to Lebanon in 2009.

Gibbs arrives in Abby's lab to find tree air fresheners hanging everywhere. She announces she has the grossest evidence chain ever: poop.

She looked into the feces DNA to determine there were four unique poop profiles. The family members were the only people to use the facilities in the last week. "Which means not only is our family lying to us, one of them in the shooter," she concludes.

Vance and Gibbs visit with a woman from an organization who helps settle Muslims. The Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis joins them. She says she's filing an injunction then going to the media tomorrow.

Borin consults on Tony's efforts to find a date for Gibbs from among her friends. They switch back to the case when he arrives. The Bawali family also had a daughter, but she was killed in a US bombing raid of Hezbollah.

Ziva returns to the boat and confronts Mariam. She says they paid the crew out of Beirut and they set the course then left in lifeboats. She says she didn't mean to shoot the Coast Guard officer, she thought he was a pirate. Her story doesn't match the evidence. Mariam says she doesn't know who shot him.

Borin and Gibbs tell the sons they can prove their mom shot the officer. The older one, Rafiq, charges Borin but is restrained. The younger one is calm and polite and says whatever their mother says is the truth.

In the lab, Abby and McGee find a photo recognition hit for the father Farid, who is wanted by another name for a bombing of a coffee shop for US servicemen 27 years ago.

They can't reach Tony and Gibbs below deck, but they call Ziva. Tony is talking to Farid, who says he is doing his family's laundry on the stove. It smells like a floral explosion. Ziva goes downstairs to warn Tony and Farid suspects something is up and runs, knocking a laundry pot over so it splashes on Tony.

They race through the ship after him. Ziva draws on him and tells him to freeze before he jumps over. They arrest him.

Back at NCIS, Vance is angry Gibbs took Farid off the ship. Jarvis backs Gibbs up.

In the office, Borin finds Farid was in the Lebanese army. McGee think he's found the girl for Gibbs, but it disappointed to learn she's a natural red head.

Tony comes in, reeking of laundry detergent. Borin gives him a hand trying to remove it from his pants bottom. Vance sends Ziva back to the ship. The ship is being refueled to take the family back to Lebanon.

Gibbs talks to Farid, who denies his past.

Ziva talks to Mariam again on the boat. She doesn't believe Farid was a terrorist.

Back at NCIS, Borin threatens to send Farid's family to Guantanamo. He says his son Rafiq killed the officer.

Abby examines Tony's pants and announces the smell isn't laundry detergent. She cuts out a piece.

Ziva is talking to Mariam when they hear noises in the hall and the door to the room they are in is thrown shut and locked. Ziva sees a Coast Guard officer down in the hallway.

Abby calls Gibbs, who's in the car with Borin, McGee and Tony. She says they're driving into a trap, a massive terrorist plot. The residue on Tony's pants was pure Glycerin, distilled from perfumed soap. Mixed with other ingredients on the ship they form a detonator for the 30,000 gallons of fuel they just put in the ship.

It's docked near enough ships with enough weapons to take out half the Norfolk naval base. Ziva crawls out an air vent and lets Mariam out. The officer is OK.

Gibbs and the team arrive. They find Raffiq, the angrier son, tied up and chained below deck. Hakim, the educated calmer one, attacked him and tied him up. Rafiq tells his mother Hakim

did it. They hear a noise coming from the engine room below. Mariam tells Ziva she understands she can't turn a blind eye to her family anymore. She follows Borin and Gibbs below deck, where they find Hakim about to ignite the detonator.

Hakim says her father shot the officer so they would bring the ship in to port. He wants continue with his plan to avenge his sister. His mother tells him he's not the only one who hurts and she still tried to teach him understanding.

Gibbs and Ziva keep their guns aimed at him while Mariam tries to talk him down. Finally, he relents and puts down the detonator, crying.

Ziva accompanies Mariam off the boat, where sets foot for the first time on US land.

Later, Jarvis says Lebanon wants the US to try Farid for his old terrorist actions, and Hakim is giving information on their contacts. Rafiq and Mariam have been granted temporary Visas.

Vance isn't happy about how things were handled. He tells Jarvis he thinks he's having trouble letting go of bad habits. Jarvis says he's fine, but Vance says he can come to him any time.

The team surveys the profile of Dustyn Kenner, the woman they think is perfect for Gibbs. Gibbs comes in and asks what "Dusty" is doing up there. He dated her. He says she's perfect and there's nothing more boring than perfect. He tells them to go home and keep their phones on.

Borin lingers and asks Gibbs if he's lonely. He says no. Borin is called away.

Gibbs pauses to tell Ziva that some times people do the right things for the wrong reasons. She him her mother never told her what kind of a man her father was. He says she was just being a mom. She asks if he's lonely. He says you're never alone when you have kids, then kisses her on the forehead good night.

Thirst

Season 9

Episode Number: 192

Season Episode: 6

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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Cheryl Ladd (Mary Courtney), Carrie Wiita (Lana), Eric Allan Kramer (Phillip Ekkerly), Eric Bruskotter (Lester), Fay Masterson (Angela Simms), Lenny Jacobson (Security Guard), Razaaq Adoti (Mike Sullivan)
Production Code: 192
Summary: The NCIS team investigates the death of a Navy lieutenant that died of over-hydration, which soon turns into a murder investigation. Meanwhile, Gibbs meets Ducky's new lady.



A trucker chats with somebody on his CB as he drives down the road. Suddenly he sees a man stumbling in the road in front of him. He slams on his brakes but he's too late and clips the man. He gets out to check on him. The man is gasping for breath and can't speak. He keels over, a trail of water trickling from his mouth.

The team comes in to work having been summoned by a pre-dawn wake-up call from Gibbs. Duckie arrives with coffee, very chipper for the morning hour. Tony thinks Duckie's dating Tony's grandmother Penelope, but McGee says it's a woman named Mary and Ziva adds

she met him on-line. Gibbs announces the body of the week: A reservist versus semi.

At the scene, they pepper Duckie with questions. She's Dr. Mary Courtney, in health services. They've had three lunches and tonight she's cooking him paella at her place. "Ah, paella, named of course, for Paellus, the Aztec God of sex after sixty," Tony offers. The victim is Lt. Jason Sims, 44, from Fairfax. Witness says he was driving drunk and pulled off the side of the road. The truck stopped his watch at 4:19 a.m. He had no cell phone and seemed to be headed to a call box. Duckie and Palmer notice adhesive on both of his wrists.

In the morgue, Duckie slices the victim's head open. His skin is loose. Abby reports his blood alcohol was .05, not very drunk. Duckie weighs his brain and reports it's a pound too heavy. He had water intoxication.

Up in the office, Tony sucks up to the mailroom clerk. Ziva calls him out for attempting to cultivate office gossip sources.

On to the big screen. Jason was divorced with two kids and owns a mailbox franchise. He left work at 4:30p after arguing with his wife on the phone. Tony finds a police report about a fight between Sims and Phillip Ekerley, who works in a gunshop.

In the morgue, Duckie points a bump on Sims' head, not from the pavement.

Mary (Cheryl Ladd) calls Duckie. He meets her outside. She came bearing pastries. Gibbs walks by from the coffee cart and Duckie introduces him.

Tony talks to Phillip Ekerley, who says Sims owed him \$500 for a mailbox Ekerley had. Sims kept his deposit and tried to bully Ekerley into leaving it alone.

Palmer and Abby gossip in the lab. She wants to know about Mary. Duckie shares his pastries.

Abby reports the other head wound was from hours earlier from a bat or pipe. He was also drugged with three hits of Ecstasy. It would lead to insatiable thirst.

Upstairs, McGee finds that Sims called his wife from Ekerley's gun shop last night. Surveillance shows Sims giving Ekerley a box.

After dinner at Mary's, Duckie explains how Sims was killed. Then he segues to putting the moves on Mary. He notices a picture of her mom and asks about her dad, but they dance instead.

Gibbs, McGee and Tony intercept Ekerley outside his gun shop. He's carrying another box: it has grenades inside.

Back at NCIS, he admits he saw Sims. Ekerley was using Sims to transport the grenades. He says Sims asked for more money and was worried about losing his kids. Sims invited him to join him for a drink.

At the bar, the bartender says Sims stayed til about 10:30p and was trying to pick women up. Apparently he had a reputation. The young blonde bartender ducks out at mention of the word Ecstasy and they catch her with a baggie full.

Back at NCIs, she denies ever talking to Sims. Gibbs tells her they can compare her E to the E found in Sims.

Down in the lab, Abby busts McGee for blabbing her Duckie gossip.

Abby found the mud on Sims SUV and trace it to a park.

Palmer tries to get info from Duckie about Mary, but Duckie guesses Palmer just wants to talk about his own upcoming marriage.

Ziva and McGee check toll booth footage leading into the park. They find him on tape and head to the park.

McGee's allergic to something in the park. They find a car partially submerged in the wetlands. It's registered to Sam Alcott. Tony finds his body nearby, duct taped to a tree with a water bottle nearby. He's been there awhile, they think he's the first victim. McGee says the words "serial killer."

Back in the morgue, they find the same blunt force trauma and water logged body. Duckie thinks the first killing went according to plan, but Sims got free, ruining the plan.

Mary calls and Duckie ignores the call, resolved to keep his personal and private life separate.

Upstairs, they find Sam's wife Jolene is a reservist and they're separated because he cheated. They find he was at a bar three nights ago and left alone. Two dead cheaters with military ties.

Abby reports the waitress' E was weak and the stuff Sims was doped with was 100 pure. Gibbs gives her the news and asks who sells the pure stuff. She gives them the name Randy.

McGee and Tony visit a drug rehab, where Randy Jonas is a patient. The security guard won't let them see him. He's been in for a week.

Duckie arrives at Mary's house where she's making baskets for kids at a homeless shelter. She asks about his day. He goes on about the sick diabolical "sadistic bastard" who killed two men. She gets still and stares at him. Then she throws her wine glass at him, telling him he's being ungrateful, because "someone" clearly went to a lot of trouble to show him something he hadn't seen before. Duckie realizes she's the killer.

Back at the office, they notice both men went to counseling with their wives. It was at different centers, but both part of the same outreach program for veterans, the same branch that oversees the rehab the drug dealer is in. They have footage of Alcott paying the toll to get into the park.

They check earlier frames to see if they followed someone.

Both facilities are supervised by the same administrators, including Mary. Gibbs recognizes her photo.

Back with the killer, Mary tells Duckie that she wouldn't go to the trouble for just anyone. She fiddles with scissors as she tells him she realized they had to be military so he'd see them. She says they killed themselves by drinking all the water. She says getting them to follow her out of the bar was the easy part. Duckie notices flashlights out front and stalls for time. She says her father was tricky, a real smooth talker. He tries to talk her down and asks for the scissors.

Gibbs busts in and he grabs them from her. She runs into the bathroom. Duckie tries to talk to her. They hear a crash and kick open the door to find she's slit her wrists. He tells her love can cloud our vision. "I only wanted you to stay," she says.

Later, Gibbs pours Duckie bourbon in the dark in the morgue. Ziva joins them and reports Mary is being transferred to a psych ward. She leaves the men alone. Duckie wonders how he missed the fact he was dating someone psychotic. Gibbs offers to take him home, but Duckie asks for a moment alone. He checks his computer. An online introduction from his dating site pops up. He closes the laptop.

Devil's Triangle

Season 9
Episode Number: 193
Season Episode: 7

Originally aired: Tuesday November 1, 2011
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Director: Leslie Libman
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Recurring Role: Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell)
Guest Stars: Melinda McGraw (Diane Sterling), Tom Gallop (Victor Sterling), Meredith Eaton-Gilden (Carol Wilson), Seth Peterson (Thomas Pearce), J. Claude Deering (Curtis Hubley), D'Anthony Palms (Ticket Taker)
Production Code: 193
Summary: When the husband of Gibbs' and Fornell's ex-wife is kidnapped, the NCIS team partners up with the FBI to investigate.



A man drives through a fast food place and is busted when his wife calls. She reads him the riot act about his cholesterol as he pulls up to the window. The guy in the drive-through gives him reason to worry about his health as he shoots him with a dart in the neck.

At the office, Tony counts the hairs he found in his shower that morning. He checks his shower drain every morning and there have never been more than five. This morning, he found 15. McGee mocks him until Tony points out that his hair is thinning too. As they both examine their hairlines in their reflections, Ziva says,

"At least you're not going gray." Enter the silver fox, Gibbs.

He's not there to announce the body of the week. There isn't one.

Instead, he meets Agent Fornell outside at the coffee cart. They both got calls from a woman. She joins them and addresses each of them as "Agent." She needs their help. Her husband Victor didn't come home last night and she wants them to look into it. "We are not your personal buddy cop investigative service," Fornell says. She agrees, they're just her ex-husbands.

Victor is a paper pusher for the department of Homeland Security. Diane knows he stopped at a fast food joint. She says it's not like it was with them, she and Victor have a good relationship. Gibbs finds his team listening at the door. They find he went to Beltway Burgers last night. There are bodies at the restaurant.

At the scene, the fast food workers are bound and dead inside. They found Victor's wallet and car. And a gun next to the car.

Ducky arrives, sleep deprived. He hasn't been sleeping well since dating a serial killer. They're greeted by Thomas Pierce with Homeland Security. He doesn't think Victor was worth kidnapping.

Gibbs visits Abby in the lab. She only wants to talk about Diane and Fornell. She found the gun at the scene was registered to Victor and was recently fired for the first time. Victor's prints were on the gun. She found a card missing from Victor's wallet.

Back at the office, Fornell vents about Diane, how she emptied his and Gibbs' bank accounts and even took the pocketwatch that belonged to Gibbs' grandfather. Fornell confirms one of the dead burger workers was a naval reservist, so it's officially their case. The other was a divorced male model.

Victor has been with Homeland Security for five years, but he has tons of money in offshore bank accounts.

Fornell and Gibbs talk to Vance. He gives the kidnapping case to Fornell, which Gibbs is fine with. Diane busts in, angry to have learned about the \$2 million. She knows which card is missing. It had an Iron Crypt logo on it.

Ziva and Tony go to Iron Crypt, where they're greeted by a nerd on a Segway. He says Victor is there once a month to inspect their data storage systems. He checks to see if Victor used his access card while he comes on to Ziva. The card was used last night around midnight.

He shows them security footage of a man using the card. It's Victor. He downloaded one file and erased the traces.

Back at the office, they think it was a budget because it had a bunch of numbers.

Down in the morgue, Duckie waxes on about divorce to the corpses. Fornell and Gibbs join him. He reports the victim's wrists were tied but they didn't struggle. Duckie wonders if the crime scene was faked. The bullets were fired from Victor's gun.

Tony talks to Diane, to trying to figure out if Victor has been in contact with her. She calls Gibbs "Leroy". He also tries to find out why Gibbs married her. Gibbs comes in and tells her Victor is a suspect. Abby arrives, announcing that Victor downloaded a recipe for a very contagious virus.

Abby brought in Carol, an infectious disease expert who flirts shamelessly with Fornell. "I'm old enough to be your father!" They say the virus is only spread through touch and people die too quickly to spread it very far. There were much more deadly viruses to steal, but this one would make a great weapon. They think he's trying to sell it. Carol points them to the lab that could create it, winking at Fornell as they leave.

Fornell, Ziva and Gibbs go to the lab and find dead bodies on the floor. There are three dead men trapped in a lab who tried to shoot their way out. The vials of the virus are gone.

Back at the office, they ID two of the dead as ex-special forces who have been working for mercenary groups.

McGee arrives with restored security footage from the burger joint. The dead men from the lab are on it. It shows them dragging passed out Victor around. They still wonder if he masterminded it.

McGee has found that Diane went to the Cayman Islands in 2004 and 2006. Gibbs cites Rule 69: Never trust a woman who doesn't trust her man.

Diane pays an angry visit to Gibbs late at night in his basement. He offers her bourbon, but she thinks he's taunting her. She accuses him of marrying her to get over Shannon, but she apologizes and admits she's scared.

She says she met someone in 2004 who had a place in the Caymans, while she was already married. It was Victor, they got married six months ago. Gibbs sent a waffle iron. She's sure they're wrong about Victor.

She leaves and Fornell steps out from the shadows. He and Diane were still married in 2004. He didn't know she cheated.

McGee calls with a location from the last call the dead gunman made.

They head to the giant warehouse and find Victor toiling over something at a workbench. He's alone and happy to see them. He's caged in and chained up. They free him, but Gibbs dodges the hug.

In NCIS interrogation, he says they said if he didn't help them, they'd kill Diane. He says he was being set up. Fornell confronts Victor about the hidden money and the vacations to the Caymans "with other people's wives!".

Diane listens in interrogation then busts in. He says he inherited the money years ago, invested it and forgot about it. He planned to tell her when he retired. She yells at him for not trusting her, but he settles her down and they hug and make up.

He tells everyone the bad guys are planning to use the virus.

They all meet with Vance. Victor MacGuyvered an old phone to tap into the intercom and listen to the terrorists.

Abby has recovered some of conversation and heard "tomorrow", which would be today and the word "game." The Armed Forces football game is today and they found equipment that would turn the virus into a powder.

They arrive at the game three minutes before kickoff and can't evacuate because the terrorists would release the virus. We see two men carrying around canisters of it.

Abby calls to report there's only enough virus to hit a few dozen people. They check the VIP list full of top brass from all five military services. They see a man go into the luxury box.

They head up and pass a gunned down security guard. There are two men hooking the canister up to the air system on the roof. Gibbs and Fornell creep up and announce themselves. The men fire back. One of them is the Homeland Security suit, Pierce. They shoot both men down before they can release the virus.

Fornell and Gibbs stand over Pierce as he takes his last breaths and says they don't know what they're fighting for.

Gibbs and Fornell report to Vance, that the VIPs were in town for a draw down of military forces. They think one of the VIPs was pulling the strings because he didn't want to lose funding. Vance and Gibbs happily pass that part of the investigation off to Fornell.

Back at his house, Diane visits Gibbs in his basement. She thanks him for finding Victor. Gibbs calls him a good man. She tells him she never should have married Fornell; she didn't love him, but she did like him. Gibbs admits he felt the same about her. She thinks Shannon was the only woman he'll ever love. She gives him his grandfather's pocket watch back. "You were my 'Shannon', Leroy," she tells him.

Engaged (1)

Season 9
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Season Episode: 8

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Recurring Role:	Sean Harmon (Young Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Darby Stanchfield (Shannon Gibbs), Matt Craven (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars:	Samantha Sloyan (Emily Goodwin), Sofia Pernas (Marine First Lieutenant Gabriela Flores), Wade Harlan (Marine Cadence Leader), Dylan Bruce (Justin Fanniker), Jeananne Goossen (Marine Private Joan Matteson), Alex Fernandez (Joseph Flores), LaMonica Garrett (Marine Captain Craig Quincy), John Finn (Marine Commandant Charles T. Ellison), Jaime Ray Newman (Navy Lieutenant Commander Melanie Burke)
Production Code:	194
Summary:	While investigating a crash of a military plane that was transporting caskets, the NCIS team comes upon a discrepancy with the DNA remains.



A cargo plane brings the coffins of fallen soldiers back. Suddenly, sparks fly in the cargo hold. The plane starts to shimmy and shake and plummet from the sky. "We're going down!" the soldiers shout.

Gibbs wakes up in bed with Shannon, his long dead wife. He basks in being near her and tries to think of a reason to stay in bed all day. She stops and looks at him and asks how he's ever going to get what he needs if he doesn't let her go.

Gibbs wakes up alone on the couch to the phone ringing. It's Vance, calling about multiple Marine fatalities.

Gibbs and the team drive to the plane wreckage site. There were five crew and

six caskets coming from Kandahar. The Air Force is handling the site. NCIS is there to look into criminal aspects.

They arrive to a field full of charred wreckage. There's one survivor. NCIS begins going over the evidence.

Witnesses saw an explosion. The scene is making Tony contemplative. The Marines' bodies were heading for final DNA identification before being returned to their loved ones. Duckie anticipates a big process identifying all the body parts.

24 Hours later Palmer forges on in the morgue.

Tony is feeling fatalistic back in the office. Chaplain Melanie Burke checks in. She was sent to talk to the victim's families. McGee reports the black box is pointing to a flock of birds hitting the plane. Just bad luck, not an attack.

The chaplain goes to see a grieving father, Joseph Flores, who's sure his daughter's body was on the plane. They found only her dog tags after an explosion at a school in Afghanistan. Her name was Gabriela. He's impatient and wants to bury her. The chaplain stays to talk with him.

Gibbs is summoned to see Vance and Secretary of the Navy Jarvis. Jarvis wants the DNA matches to confirm the bodies on the plane. He gives NCIS 24 hours to release the bodies.

Down in the lab, Abby is deep into Caf Pow and even more amped than usual. Abby says Gabriela Flores is listed as a possible KIA, only burnt remains were found near her dog tags and Abby ID'd them as two other men. Her body wasn't on the plane.

McGee catches Tony making a bucket list. Among the items: Discover the meaning of life, ride a Ferris Wheel naked. He remembers he's done the latter and crosses it off.

Gibbs arrives for the rundown on Gabriela Flores. She got a degree in journalism before going overseas. She worked with Chuck Ellison as a public affairs officer in DC. He's now the Commandant of the Marine Corps. She was part of the female counter-insurgency team.

She was blind-sided in an RPG attack on a girls' school.

Gibbs, Tony and Ziva go talk to Flores' CO Quincy in MTAC. He says they shipped back everything from the scene.

The attack was at night. He saw her on the comm five minutes before the attack. He describes her as a dedicated Marine who was liked by everyone. He vows to keep looking for her.

Down in his basement, Gibbs goes through a box of Gabriela's things. He listens to a recording she made describing girls joining their school building after they lost their families.

He flashes back to boot camp and a woman named Joan Matteson practicing on the obstacle course, trying to beat his course time. He chats her up but she brushes him off for messing up her time.

He's brought back when his phone rings. He's called to see Ellison bright and early.

The next day, Gibbs goes to see the Commandant of the Marine Corps Ellison, who promises to do what it takes to find Flores.

Gibbs joins the chaplain for coffee. Gabriela sent her dad a personal check from Justin Fanniker and wrote "Love you, Dad" in the memo. Joseph Flores signed it over to the chapel.

In the office, we learn Fanniker construction is a big contracting company that has made a lot of money in Afghanistan. McGee finds personal emails between Gabriela and Justin. Three days before the attack, he told her he loved her and would give her dad anything he needed if she would leave with him. She never responded.

There's a record that Justin left Afghanistan on a private plane. His phone puts him in the middle of George Washington National Forrest. Burke offers to go with Gibbs.

At a cabin in the woods, they find Justin outside with a shotgun. He says Gabriela is dead. He saw the wreckage at the school. He left because he was grieving.

McGee shows Gibbs satellite footage from the attack on the school, but it's not clear. Gibbs tells McGee to get better resolution by invoking the name of the Commandant of the Marine Corps.

Ziva reports Gabriela's CO in Afghanistan still has found nothing.

Gibbs suggests everyone go home for the night. But first, he visits the bodies in the morgue. Duckie suggests he ask the living for answers.

Gibbs calls Burke for names of other women who did what Gabriela did. He visits Emily, who tells him about the death threats teachers got for teaching girls and how one student had acid thrown in her face. She says the insurgents saw the girls school as a threat.

Back in the lab, Gibbs plays Gabriela's recording for Abby. Ziva listens to the background voices and translates. The men are discussing the destruction of the school. They were the same men helping build it.

Gibbs reports their findings to her CO Quincy, who isn't surprised. Locals play both sides. They haven't been able to find the builders since the attack. He says he'll keep looking.

Gibbs visits the tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

He remembers boot camp again. Joan visits him working on a bird house for his dad. She says her father is difficult, but there's no point holding it against him.

He snaps back and sees Joseph Flores at the tomb. Gibbs tells him her body wasn't on the plane and hasn't been found. He says they're putting everything they have into finding her. Joseph gives Gibbs a photo of Gabriela, a teacher and one of the students.

Gibbs takes the photo to Burke, then Abby. There's a tattoo under the woman's wedding ring. Abby finds two would be suicide bombers in the system with the same tattoo, both linked to the "Army of Believers" insurgent group. The design symbolizes entrance into martyrdom.

McGee reports one of their tactics is using women for attacks. Gibbs makes McGee widen the satellite footage and they find one adult figure leading two children away from the attack site and intercepted by a truck.

They think they've found Flores.

Gibbs reports to the Commandant Ellison and Jarvis. They're sending people to look for her. They promise the rescue team won't leave until they find her.

Engaged (2)

Season 9
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Season Episode: 9

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Writer: Gary Glasberg
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Recurring Role: Matt Craven (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis), Sean Harmon (Young Leroy Jethro Gibbs)
Guest Stars: John Finn (Marine Commandant Charles T. Ellison), Jaime Ray Newman (Navy Lieutenant Commander Melanie Burke), Alex Fernandez (Joseph Flores), LaMonica Garrett (Marine Captain Craig Quincy), Sofia Pernas (Marine First Lieutenant Gabriela Flores), Aliah Whitmore (Soraya Zoranj), Satya Bhabha (Asa Zoranj), Michael Benyaer (Osman Zoranj), Jeananne Goossen (Marine Private Joan Matteson), Becky Wahlstrom (FET Marine Staff Sergeant Catherine Littleton), Jonathan Runyon (Marine PFC Oscar Cunningham), Jesse Luken (Corpsman), Melody Angel (Kinah), Maya Latzer (Lala)
Production Code: 195
Summary: The search into the disappearance of a Marine Lieutenant continues as the NCIS team tracks them down to Afghanistan. Meanwhile, Tony's deepest fear resurfaces and Gibbs has to go through memories of his past again.



Navy Lieutenant Commander Melanie Burke, the chaplain, tries to comfort Joseph Flores, whose daughter Gabriela is missing in Afghanistan. She suggests maybe Gabriela was answering God's call when she didn't run for safety that night, instead rescuing two girls. They're joined by Tony, who looks like he has news. Cut to Gibbs riding on military transport with a flag-draped coffin.

In Helmand, Province, Afghanistan, 48 Hours earlier

Gibbs and Ziva are welcomed to the base by Marine Captain Quincy. The two girls Gabriela saved were just found.

They'd been tortured, but they're alive. Gibbs talks to Marine Staff Sergeant Catherine Littleton, who was there the night of the attack. She's not very forthcoming. She evacuated before the attack and thought Gabriela was with her group. She feels guilty for leaving.

Gibbs shows Littleton the photo of the woman in a burka with a finger tattoo that indicates she's part of a terrorist group. Littleton knows her as Soraya. She was visiting her family out of town the day of the attack and hasn't been back since.

Back at NCIS, Duckie waxes on about the historical battles over what children should be taught. Tony is still distracted by his bucket list. He lets on that there's a fear he hasn't conquered yet.

Vance and Sec-Nav Jarvis talk to Gibbs in MTAC with the team. Soraya's parents were killed by Russians when she was a teenager. She had an older brother named Osman, who died in an IED explosion two years ago and a younger brother, Asa, who's going to law school in DC.

Tony and McGee go talk to him. They run into him on campus, but he runs as soon as they identify themselves. They tackle him and take him in.

Tony suggests he might end up in prison and Asa says his group is small but strong.

Gibbs remembers back to boot camp and his crush Marine Private Joan Matteson. She fixes a truck and earns his respect. He's shipping to Pendleton soon and she's off to Okinawa. She tells him to stay in touch. (Young Gibbs is played by Mark Harmon's son, Sean.)

Back in Afghanistan, Gibbs and Ziva see the girls Gabriela saved. One was blinded with hot grease. The other is covered in cigarette burns. They're 10 and 13. Ziva talks to Kinah and Lala. They tell them the kidnappers are "not done yet" with Gabriela.

They remember it smelled like cars where they were and there was oil on the ground. Gibbs suggests a sample.

Back in the lab, Abby runs a breakdown. The oil is from outside Kabul, from the Afghan pipeline.

Tony visits the chapel and talks to God, reminding Him of their bargain. He asks for a sign if He remembers it. When Burke arrives, Tony tells her to tell Joseph they think they might know where Gabriela is.

In MTAC they prepare to watch the operation to rescue Gabriela.

On the ground, Gibbs and Ziva are part of the mission to rescue her. The heat sensors show five people inside. As they're approaching, Quincy is hit in the neck. They shoot their way in and find Gabriela alive, but being held with a gun to her head by Soraya.

Gibbs asks her if she wants to spend the rest of her life in Guantanamo or just get shot right there. She lets Gabriela go.

Back outside, Ziva tries to comfort Quincy as he fights to live. He tells Ziva to tell his parents that he loves them. They watch as he takes his last breath.

Ziva promises to get him home. Back to the beginning. Tony gives Joseph Flores the news that his daughter is alive.

Gibbs talks to Gabriela, who is upset over Quincy's death. She says he disobeyed an order that night to save the girls. She wants Soraya held accountable for her crimes, but mostly she wants her to watch the two girls grow up and change the world. Punishment is knowing she could have done the same.

At NCIS in the elevator, Burke tells Tony she's intrigued by him. She offers him spiritual guidance when he's ready for it.

Gibbs, Gabriela, Ziva and others fly home with Quincy's body.

Gibbs remembers boot camp, learning the news that a helicopter went down in Okinawa. Matteson was on it.

Back on US soil, Quincy's casket is given a soldier's welcome.

At NCIS, Gibbs talks to Soraya and Asa in interrogation. They think Americans college kids are rich spoiled brats. The defend hurting children as a way to protect their way of life.

Soraya lets slip that their older brother is there. Asa tells Gibbs the fight has just begun.

Gibbs thinks Osman is in DC. They check Asa's cell records and alert local law enforcement. Gibbs searches his desk for a special knife.

He brings a rolls of torture tools to interrogation with just Asa and lays out the photos of the tortured girls. He turns off the cameras and offers Asa a cigarette. After he lights up, he mentions the burns on the girls. Then he grabs the cigarette out of his hands and holds Asa around the neck, threatening to burn him.

Vance busts in telling Gibbs not to bother. The FBI killed Osman 20 minutes ago and Soraya killed herself in her cell.

Asa says they had a bomb they planned to electronically detonate. He's about to tell them where when he realizes Vance was lying.

In the office, they find Osman was an automechanic. They look for local field trips. Ziva finds the National Consortium for Independent Girls Schools, a group that includes 300 girls at the science museum. They're there now.

They gear up and head out.

Osman hooks a bomb up under the bus as the girls board. He dials a cell phone to detonate it but is stopped by a gun in his face. Gibbs tells him to drop it. Ziva goes to unload the bus. Gibbs checks that McGee has things handled. Osman yells and pushes the last button.

Nothing happens. McGee reveals his signal jammer. Osman calls Gibbs weak for not killing him. Gibbs punches him in the face.

Back at NCIS, Vance takes a call from the commandant thanking Gibbs. Vance tries to get Gibbs to take some time off, but Gibbs asks why he'd take a vacation when he's having plenty of fun.

Burke tries to help Tony work through his fears. As she leads him somewhere, he develops a flop sweat and shakes. He says he doesn't get scared, noting he's had the plague, kissed a transvestite and been tortured by the best the Middle East has to offer. It's time for Tony to face his fears.

Burke opens the door and Tony walks into a preschool. He's immediately hugged by a cherub and sits down for snack time.

Gibbs visits the tomb of the unknown soldier at Arlington. He brings flowers to put on Matton's grave.

Sins of the Father

Season 9
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Season Episode: 10

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Guest Stars: Robert Wagner (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.), Matt Jones (Probationary Agent Ned Dorneget), David Rees Snell (Morgan Hunt), Tom Schanley (Navy Lieutenant Dean Massey), Rachel Luttrell (Navy Lieutenant Commander Stephanie Mosner), Rya Kihlstedt (Linda Idleton), Googy Gress (Bartender), Ron Melendez (Navy Lieutenant Gregory Dennis), Nadia Bowers (Gwyneth Massey), Leonard Robinson (Metro Police Officer Jackson), Emil Beheshti (FBI Agent Dan Lenroff), Dawn Noel Pignuolo (Metro Police Officer Blake)
Production Code: 196
Summary: When Tony's father is found inside a car with a dead body in the trunk, the NCIS team has to find out if he is indeed guilty of murder, while the man himself has no memory of the night, and Tony is removed from the investigation but attempts to help prove that his father is innocent.



Open with local police finding a Rolls Royce near the docks. They find a drunk man passed out inside and a body in a Naval uniform stashed in the trunk. The man is Tony's father, DiNozzo Sr.

Since she's newer, Ziva has been given a huge stack of cold cases. She's not happy about it. Tony tells the others about his father standing him the night before for dinner. He's not surprised. Gibbs comes in and tells them they have a dead Naval lieutenant to investigate.

At the scene Tony is stunned to see his father there. Gibbs quickly tells Tony he can't be involved with the case.

The dead man is a millionaire real estate developer named Dean Massey. He's retired, but remains in the reserves so he can fly jets. He is divorced.

Gibbs interviews DiNozzo. He tells him he's in town to close a huge real estate development deal. DiNozzo found funding for the project and was due to receive a huge check. Massey was working on the deal with him and had threatened to screw DiNozzo out of his sizable finder's fee. He admits to Gibbs that he threatened to kill Massey. After leaving Massey's office last night he went to his hotel to do some drinking, meaning he has no alibi.

Ducky pulls some glass out of Massey's head. He tells Gibbs that Massey was killed between midnight and 2am, died elsewhere and was moved to the trunk. COD was blunt force trauma

to the back of the head with a cylindrical object. Based on the blood test they know DiNozzo was very drunk at 2am last night and Ducky thinks it makes sense he'd have no memory of the evening.

Tony is able to talk his way past Dorneget, who is watching his father's door. His father tells him he honestly doesn't know if he killed Massey. DiNozzo said this was the "big one," a deal that could have provided for both of them. He had rented the Rolls to help seal the deal. Tony doesn't want his father to talk to anybody.

A JAG commander named Mosner stops by and tells the team she is prosecuting a case that may concern them. A pilot named Dennis was flying in formation with Massey. Dennis got into an accident and his radio officer died. The night before Massey told Mosner he had information Dennis's story about his plane having electrical issues was bogus.

Vance tells Gibbs he's leaning towards turning DiNozzo over to the FBI. Tony pops into the room and tells them about Mosner. Vance gives them 24 hours, but instructs Tony to stay away from the investigation.

Ziva and McGee are sent to Massey's office. There they speak with his company's lawyer, Hunt. He tells them that a strict interpretation of the contract with DiNozzo gave them the right to freeze-out him out, even though Hunt didn't want to do it. He shows them footage of the meeting, which ends with DiNozzo grabbing Massey by the throat.

Gibbs tells DiNozzo he's probably going to be transferred to a rough-looking detention center.

Gibbs meets with Dennis. Once they tell him about Massey going to Mosner he lawyers up.

Ziva meets with Massey's ex-wife. They weren't in contact any more, primarily because they didn't have kids. She made out well in the divorce and doesn't have any legal claim to his estate. She suggest Ziva go to his lawyer, Hunt, to find out who gets his money.

Abby and McGee sit in the Rolls. She's discovered that the car was driven far too many miles for DiNozzo's story that he went to the meeting and then straight to his hotel. Based on evidence she thinks Massey was killed with a bottle of vintage wine.

Hunt tells Ziva that all of Massey's money was in a trust that benefited the Navy and its charities.

Tony tries to wrestle a file away from McGee and get some information about his father's case. McGee tells him his father's room was clear. DiNozzo is going to stay at Gibbs' place to avoid a prison.

That night DiNozzo talks to Gibbs about his real estate deal. DiNozzo says he's surprised he doesn't remember anything, since he usually holds his liquor well. He was excited about finally being able to provide for Tony. Gibbs doesn't think Tony wants his money. Tony just wants his father.

DiNozzo provides Ducky with a urine sample for more testing.

Mosner stops by and says Dennis wants to make a deal about the plane crash. He was hot-dogging. Massey's Porsche has been found on a back road of the development he was working on with DiNozzo.

Tony tries to get information about his father from Abby. He asks about the wine bottle.

McGee and Ziva find car tracks and a broken wine bottle near Massey's car.

Dorneget and DiNozzo talk about father-son relationships. Tony stops by and asks whether he brought the "family bottle of wine" with him to D.C. It's an expensive bottle he purchased the year Tony was born and he'd planned to drink it with him to celebrate the deal. He tells Tony where he was going to take him, but isn't sure if he made it there or not.

Gibbs and Abby lay out the evidence to Vance, which includes Rolls tire tracks at the scene and DiNozzo's fingerprints on a piece of the bottle. Vance tells Gibbs to "book him."

Gibbs tells DiNozzo the FBI is on the way. Tony is nowhere to be found.

We see that Tony is at the pub where his father had planned to take him. The bartender remembers seeing his father the night before him. He had planned to get DiNozzo a cab but an attractive woman he picked up took him home. Tony asks for his surveillance footage.

Just as DiNozzo is being led away Abby comes running. She's found that DiNozzo's fingerprints were only on the barrel of the wine bottle and the neck was wiped clean. Also evidence of the date rape drug was in his system. Tony calls in and emails them a photo of the woman his father left the bar with. McGee recognizes her from Massey's office.

It turns out to be Hunt's assistant Linda. She tells Gibbs that she'd been seeing Hunt and had talked about marriage. Hunt told her that Massey was going to try and shaft him as well,

and asked her to erase the video of their conversation. Hunt sees this happening and tries to run, but Gibbs grabs him.

Massey had found another lawyer to be the executor of his estate. This meant Hunt was going to lose seven figures in annual billing.

Tony stops by Gibbs' place and says his father stood him up again. He says that despite the way his father acts he really loves the guy, though he's never been able to tell him. DiNozzo pops his head out from the kitchen. He's going to stay in town for the Thanksgiving holiday to be with his son.

Newborn King

Season 9
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Season Episode: 11

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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Larry Miller (Ed Slater), Erin Cottrell (Marine Lieutenant Emma Reynolds), David S. Lee (Veli Tupolev), Hugh Scott (Police Deputy Billy McCormick), Brandi Burkhardt (Desk Clerk), Michelle Pierce (Breena Slater), Kevin Rock (DoD Liason Harris Klein), Marc Aden Gray (Navy Captain Jake Marsden)
Production Code: 197
Summary: After a Navy Captain is murdered in his hotel room, the NCIS team has to find his pregnant companion and protect her from unknown assailants. Meanwhile, Jimmy brings his future father-in-law to work.



A man tries to check in to a hotel but the premiere suite is the only thing available. He doesn't care how much it is, he takes it. He goes upstairs in a rush and locks all the doors. He makes a call, telling someone he thinks they're clear and he's on his way down to get them. He opens the suite door and is met by two guns with silencers. He's shot repeatedly.

It's Christmas Eve at the office. Ziva and McGee are enjoying the Christmas card Tony got from Wendy, his former fiancée.

Palmer is anxiously awaiting the arrival of his soon to be father-in-law Ed, to

whom he's giving a tour of NCIS. Brina thinks her father isn't a fan of his job.

McGee comes in with the festive body of the week. Navy Captain Jake Marsden was stationed in Charleston. The guns were different calibers and there's no fingerprint evidence.

Outside the hotel, Tony and McGee go over his car and find a Marine duffel bag with a bra inside. The room phone rings with a northern Maryland number. A woman answers, asking what happened. A woman asks if Gibbs killed him, but he says he's NCIS.

Back at the office, McGee sees that Marsden's outgoing call was his own cell phone. Palmer arrives with Ed (Larry Miller) and makes introductions. Gibbs talks Palmer up. Ed gives Gibbs a hard time about being a government worker and making his team work Christmas Eve.

The phone call to the hotel came from an outlet mall two hours away.

In the morgue, Ed shuts Palmer up to talk to Duckie. Duckie kicks them out. He shows Gibbs dried blood he found on Marsden's pants.

Gibbs finds Abby hiding from Ed in her lab. Abby goes over the outlet mall footage and finds a blonde woman on the phone. As she hung up, she told Gibbs if he was who he says, he'll find her. She flashed her shopping bag to the camera as she said it.

Gibbs, Ziva and Tony go to the outlet mall and meet up with a county deputy. Ziva and Gibbs check the dressing rooms and find their mystery woman. She's eight and a half weeks pregnant. She tells them that Jake wasn't the target, she is.

She's Marine Lt. Emma Reynolds. She doesn't know who's after her. She was stationed outside Kabul and met a nice local man named Amir and got pregnant. She forfeited two months pay and they sent her home. Then last week she noticed she was being followed by three separate SUVs, registered to the Department of Defense.

Jake Marsden was an old friend who was going to drive her to her parent's place in Ohio. The SUVs ran her and Jake off the road and she cut her hand in the crash. They went to the hotel and she waited in the car while he checked in. She doesn't know who she can trust.

Back in MTAC, McGee talks to the DOD and learns that Amir was killed in an IED explosion months ago. The guy denies the DOD is involved, but says he couldn't tell them if they were.

The snow is really coming down at the outlet mall. Abby finds that Amir was the sole male heir to an extremely land wealthy family in Afghanistan. McGee finds the DOD is trying to build a road through that land in Afghanistan and the baby could give them access to it.

McGee hears knocking from the other side of the lab and finds Ed and Palmer locked in Abby's office. She put them in timeout after Ed said girls with tattoos are easy. Ed checks again that Palmer knows there are jobs in the private sector where he could make twice as much and have better hours.

Tony reports the roads are closed. They notice no one has seen the deputy for a while. The head outside to the car, where a tough looking man comes around the corner holding a gun on the deputy. He demands Reynolds, but Gibbs, with gun drawn, says no way. Ziva sneaks up behind the man and he drops his gun. As Tony cuffs him he notices he's missing the tips of a few fingers. It's part of a Russian prison gang initiation.

Back at NCIS, Duckie finds Palmer sulking in the hallway. Palmer's bothered because Ed offered him a job at the funeral home, working with Brina, but he doesn't want to take it.

On a snowy road, Reynolds tries to process her situation. "Russian mercenaries want to take my unborn child because they believe he's the heir to land in Afghanistan?" she says.

As they're driving out in the middle of nowhere, the car sputters to a stall. Gibbs realizes the engine was sabotaged. They roll into a gas station.

Back in the office, McGee is irritated by Ed munching loudly. Tony has made it back alone, but they can't reach Gibbs. The fingerless man is wanted by Interpol. The cookies Ed is inhaling give Tony an idea.

Ziva and Gibbs look under the hood and see they have to do some wiring. They're taking shelter in a convenience store. Gibbs assures Reynolds it's OK if she's scared about being a mom.

Tony and the Russian hitman munch down on cookies. McGee asks questions and they say they see hesitation when they ask if he's following Reynolds. When they ask if he's working for Amir's tribe in Afghanistan he chokes on his cookie.

The only number stored on his prepaid cell phone was six digits long. McGee guesses it's a radio frequency.

Reynolds comes out of the bathroom in the garage and announces her water just broke.

Back in MTAC, Tony asks the DOD guy for help tracking the Russian hitmen. He says no.

McGee tracks the gunmen's radio frequency and hear them mention a gas station. They find one in the area of the radio signal and think Gibbs is holed up there in trouble.

When Tony and McGee leave to go find Gibbs, Ed mocks their efforts and earns a chewing out from Palmer who tells him he has to at least respect that NCIS agents put their lives on the line. He puts him in his place, telling him to sit down and shut up until he figures that out.

Back at the gas station, Reynolds's contractions are two minutes apart when Ziva looks out the window and sees two black SUVs pulling up.

Gibbs tells Ziva to handle the birth, but Reynolds wants his Marine support. Ziva takes her gun outside and stalks the Russians' car. She pulls one guy out of the driver side and whacks him in the face, knocking him out. The second SUV is empty.

She hears a noise. The second gunman pries open the convenience store door and sneaks in.

Gibbs is telling Reynolds to push when Ziva opens fire on the gunman.

Gibbs concentrates on delivering the baby in the back seat of the car while Ziva uses two guns to shoot at the gunman. They both run out of ammo and she charges him. He tosses her around the convenience store and gets him in a chokehold, as the sounds of crying come from the back seat of the car. It's a girl.

The next morning, Brina comes looking for her dad and Palmer, who have fallen asleep in a cubicle. They wake up and Ed is pleasantly surprised to hear everything worked out with the baby.

He understands now why NCIS agents put in the long hours and says he understands if Palmer doesn't want to leave.

Tony finds Gibbs in his basement working on a pink bike for Mike Franks's granddaughter. Tony went to Wendy's and sat outside for 20 minutes, but didn't go in. Gibbs thinks he made a mistake. Tony points out NCIS doesn't leave much room for family. He urges Tony not to be like him, to learn from it.

Gibbs invites Tony to Christmas dinner at Mike Frank's daughter-in-law's house. He told her last week that Tony would be coming.

Housekeeping

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Writers: Scott Williams
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Guest Stars: Sarah Jane Morris (NCIS Special Agent E.J. Barrett), Matt Craven (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis), Dante Brown (Dave), Philip Casnoff (Sean Latham), Sean Ryan Fox (Dave), Annie O'Donnell (Agnes Anderstout), Christine Lynn Smith (Cara Barnsway), Iqbal Theba (Ramesh Sengupta), Scott Wolf (Casey Stratton)
Production Code: 198
Summary: The investigation into the murder of a Navy Commander leads the NCIS team to E.J. Barrett's whereabouts.



Open with two kids hearing a car accident. A man is dead at the wheel and has a bullet wound in his neck.

Around the office McGee comments about how "surly" Tony and Ziva have sounded recently. He thinks they have the holiday blues and both Tony and Ziva admit to having issues with their romantic lives. Ziva has been waiting seven weeks for a man to call her. Gibbs walks in to tell them a Naval officer is dead.

At the scene Commander James Barnsway's body is examined. He was shot twice, once in the neck and once in the chest. The shots appear to have been fired from a second vehicle.

The neighbor who called the police says she saw an SUV speeding away from the scene. She said a woman that wasn't Barnsway's wife got out of his vehicle and fled into the woods.

Barnsway's wife Cara is questioned. She tells them a female Navy connection of his recently called looking for help.

The phone that called Barnsway was an untraceable cell phone. Tony's ears perk up when Gibbs mentioned that Barnsway had been stationed in Naples.

Abby tells Gibbs that Barnsway's killer left no trace. But using the GPS in Barnsway's vehicle she traced him back to a motor lodge just outside of town.

The motor lodge manager admits that the woman who got the room paid cash and he didn't ask for ID. She signed in as "Belva Lockwood," which also interests Tony.

They use the motor lodge's security camera but can't find anything clear. They are able to find that the woman who left with Barnsway returned to the lodge just a half hour ago and then left again five minutes later. They guess she may have tried to find a ride from a trucker across the

street. While Abby works on the image from the video, Gibbs & Co. learn that a woman in red just got a ride. They pull the rig over and see the passenger is (gasp!) E.J.

Tony is pretty angry that E.J. left. She says she didn't have any answers about Cade's killing and wasn't sure who to trust or who she might put in danger. She called Barnsway because she "needed a friend." They show her a picture of Stratton, the guy who killed Cade, but she says that's not who shot at her and Barnsway that morning.

E.J. gives Abby a description of the man who shot at her and Barnsway. While they wait to see if there is a hit Tony tells E.J. he doesn't understand why she didn't reach out. She says she was scared.

E.J.'s description connects them to former Navy SEAL Marcellus Dane. He faced court martial because of accepting bribes and was known to carry the same weapon that killed Barnsway. Gibbs orders Tony and E.J. to a safe house.

Gibbs finds Dane has been stabbed and thrown from a window. Gibbs says he has a good idea who would want them to see this just as we see Stratton lingering near the crime scene.

Gibbs asks Secretary Jarvis for a favor. He has a bead on Stratton and wants Jarvis to talk to Latham. He tells him about Stratton's attempts to kill his staff and says Latham needs to bring him in.

E.J. and Tony get settled in their safe house. She feels guilty about Barnsway's wife.

Jarvis and Gibbs meet with Latham. Gibbs shows Latham a picture of him with his team that includes Stratton. Latham says the man Gibbs is pointing to is actually called Cole, a Green Beret that he recruited into the Phantom program. Gibbs says it's the right guy, even if the name is different. Jarvis tells Latham to contact Stratton/Cole and tells him he'd like to speak with him. Gibbs mentions the safe house and leaves the room.

Ziva tells E.J. she won't be leaving anytime soon. She gives her some old emails from her mother after she disappeared. The two women discuss their future.

Latham meets with Stratton and tells him he's being asked to set him up. Latham tells him the location of where A.J. is being held, saying he wants him to clean up the loose end and leave. Stratton responds by stabbing him and sticking him on a bench "No loose ends. We gotta finish what we started."

Mallard tells Gibbs that Latham was killed the same way (and with the same knife) as Dane. Mallard says it will be difficult to locate a guy like Stratton.

While Tony puts together an assault rifle inside the safe house, we see Stratton loading a RPG. He fires it at an industrial gas tank destroying the building. Gibbs, Ziva and McGee spot Stratton and flush him into a huge FBI ambush. Stratton apologizes to Gibbs for his loss, telling him, "wrong place, wrong time." Gibbs says "got that right" and calls Tony to tell him it's over. Jarvis intentionally gave Latham the wrong safe house info, which he passed along to Stratton.

E.J. thanks Tony and leaves.

Gibbs sits with Stratton in the interrogation room. He shows him pictures of some of the terrorists he's killed and says "you're no better than them right now." Stratton asks Gibbs about killing innocent people and sings about Mexico.

Tony tells Ziva that the two of them have a lot in common with regard to having issues with the opposite sex. They look almost ready to kiss when her phone rings with a call from the guy who hasn't called her for weeks. He tells her to "say hello" and watches and she takes the call.

A Desperate Man

Season 9
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Season Episode: 13

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Writer: Nicole Mirante
Director: Leslie Libman
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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer), Enrique Murciano (Ray Cruz)
Guest Stars: Louis Ferreira (Metro Detective Nick Burris), Michael Beach (Metro Detective Robert Flowers), Mark Hutter (U.S. Ambassador James Ealy), Jaleel White (Martin Thomas), Ion Overman (Jane Thomas), Joanna Canton (Sandy Milton)
Production Code: 199
Summary: The NCIS team investigates the murder of a Navy lieutenant commander while dealing with her distraught husband. Meanwhile, Ziva ponders the future when Ray returns.



A couple checks out a loft apartment. The wife is skeptical, the husband loves it. The realtor shows them around and right to the dead woman lying on the floor. At the office, Tony pesters McGee to tell him the last time he had sex (Maxine, ten months ago). McGee surmises Tony's having the same issue. Ziva comes in angry, asking McGee to block a secure government number. She's dodging Ray's calls. Tony gets a calls, then McGee. Gibbs comes in to announce the body of the week – and that Ray already called him.

There are nine shell casings, but bullets were dug from the walls. She was hit three times. The victim is Lt. Commander Maya Burris, married with no children. Jimmy gets distracted talking to the realtor, Sandy, who he went to high school with. She died six or seven hours ago. Her ring finger is mangled and bloody.

A man comes in angry and screaming. He's Metro Detective Nick Burris, her husband.

At the office, his partner Detective Flowers says the Burris' had a good marriage. Maya was a naval attaché at various posts around the world. She came back to DC five days ago to see her husband. Her last mission in Egypt ended a month ago and they try to figure out what she's been working on.

Burris stumbles into the office drunk, demanding answers as Flowers tries to rein him in. Tony and Gibbs sit down with Flowers, who says he talked to his wife last yesterday afternoon. They were supposed to have dinner, but she didn't show. He tells Gibbs if they don't find the killer, he will.

In the morgue, Duckie reports there was no blood or fiber and they found traces of bleach. She also has wounds on her wrist, like a bracelet was yanked off after she died. Duckie thinks it was someone with knowledge of police procedures.

Tony tells McGee it's been two weeks. He's getting tired of the string of one night stands.

Gibbs arrives for Big Screen time. Burris's husband was the beneficiary of her life insurance. He recently spent \$100,000 on a speed boat.

Burris's called her husband three hours before she died.

In the last month she made multiple flights from Egypt to Islamabad.

Gibbs visits Abby in the garage, where she's recreated the crime scene. The shots that went into the body don't match up with any of the holes on the wall from where the victim was lying. She found the killer was by the window and the body was moved. The killer was on a rooftop across the street from the loft.

Tony and Ziva check out the roof. Tony confesses he's spoken to Ray and asks what happened. She says he doesn't appreciate her, he stood her up for dinner. His excuse was that he got caught up with work. It reminded her of her father. Ziva looks across the street and sees someone in the crime scene.

They go to the apartment and find a hooded figure leaning over the spot where the body was found. The person runs and they give chase down a stairwell. Ziva tackles him. It's Detective Burris.

Back in NCIS interrogation, he says he was working the case. Gibbs asks about the speed boat. He says Maya bought it a month ago. He says they spent so much time apart that they cherished the time they had together. Ziva listens.

The team confirms Maya bought the boat.

They meet with her supervisor, U.S. Ambassador Ealy in MTAC. He says she went to Islamabad for briefings.

McGee finds photos from outside the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad of Maya arguing with a man. He's wearing a blue tooth and McGee traces the signal.

Nick Burris calls Tony for the third time. Tony tells Gibbs he'll handle him.

Tony goes to Nick's house and tries to reassure him they're working Maya's case. He turns over a piece of paper he found. It says Ray Cruz, DC office. Tony calls Ziva. She wants to talk to Ray alone.

Ziva meets Ray in the park. He says he worked with her on his last assignment. Ziva asks if Ray knows who Maya was traveling with.

Ray tries to apologize and begs for another chance. Ziva says it's too late and walks away. Ray says he loves her and drops to one knee. He takes out a ring and proposes.

Ziva looks around uncomfortably at the people staring, waiting for her response. She tells him to get up. He says he was going to propose at dinner. He put in for a desk job and wants to stay in town and have kids with her.

Back at the office, Tony asks how it went. He asks if Ray dropped to one knee. He knew. Ziva told him she had to think about it. Tony urges her to take a leap of faith.

Tony breaks the news to Gibbs, but Ziva says it's not official yet. It will be if it's right, Gibbs says.

Abby comes up to announce that she and McGee ID'd the phone ear piece as a unique for high security government lines. There are only 400 in the world, most in the Middle East. Maya's browser history showed searches for Saleh Revelutionary Corps, a paramilitary group.

The team heads to search Maya's boat. They find a small tackle box full of news clippings about the SRC. They think she was tracking them.

Back in Abby's lab, Maya's journals show she was working with a former colleague to take down the SRC. One entry says she shouldn't have gotten involved and things could turn ugly. She was threatened by a former colleague.

Abby was able to narrow down the cell signal to Barry Norton, a liaison to the Cairo Embassy, who was fired for associating with the SRC. He sold them government secrets.

They put out an alert for Norton's car.

Ziva gets off the phone with Ray. He wants to rent a jet and fly to Miami to tell his parents and she's seriously thinking about it. She tells Tony she saw how much Nick loves his wife and doesn't want to live with regrets.

They get word that Norton was killed in a car accident last night. They bring his car into the garage.

Abby finds Norton's breaks were tampered with. They confirm the SRC put a fatwah on Norton two weeks ago over an argument over money. They think Maya was collateral damage from the first failed hit on him.

They pull up the list of Norton's calls from Islamabad. Ziva recognizes a number. Gibbs follows but she says she has something to do.

Ziva goes to Abby and asks her to access her voice mails and texts from a month or two ago. She highlights a number and tells her to cross-reference with Norton's calls. Both calls came from Islamabad.

Ziva goes to meet Ray on the tarmac. She decks him in the face and says he has her answer.

He admits he accidentally killed Maya while aiming for Norton. Norton represented a serious security breach and Ray was supposed to get him in Islamabad but missed him. He resolved not to let him get away again. He just wants to move on from everything and go back to being the man Ziva fell in love with. Ziva tells him that man is gone. She leaves.

Gibbs picks her up. The CIA confirmed Ray violated orders by taking out Norton on US soil, his career is over.

Back at the office late at night, Ziva gets frustrated with her cel phone. Tony tells her it's OK to ask for help. He tells her not to blame herself, no one could have seen that coming. Ziva says she's content with her life. Tony asks if she's happy.

Nick joins them, asking who killed his wife. They tell him. Nick asks how long they've been a couple. He urges them to cherish each other.

Life Before His Eyes

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Recurring Role: Ralph Waite (Jackson Gibbs), Darby Stanchfield (Shannon Gibbs), Muse Watson (Mike Franks), Rudolf Martin (Ari Haswari), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer), Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Sean Harmon (Young Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Tim Kelleher (NCIS Special Agent Chris Pacci)
Guest Stars: Michael O'Neill (Former NCIS Special Agent Riley McCallister), Sam Schuder (Kelly Gibbs), Jeananne Goossen (Marine Private Joan Matteson), Clare Carey (Ann Gibbs), Jordan Garrett (Stephen Rose), Thomas Rosales Jr. (Pedro Hernandez), Connie Jackson (Elaine), Jeff Williams (Doctor), MacKenzie Astin (Michael Rose)
Production Code: 200
Summary: While stopping by his usual diner for coffee, Gibbs finds himself in grave danger, prompting him to think about his past and the choices he made in his life.



Gibbs pulls up to his regular diner to get coffee. He knows the names of an elderly couple leaving the diner, and is very friendly to the waitress - seems he's a regular. A man, whose face we don't see, gets up from the counter and walks toward Gibbs, putting his hand in his pocket. He pulls out a gun.

Gibbs sees him and draws his own, telling him to put down the gun. Gibbs' life flashes in front of his eyes. In a flash of light, he sees the bullet suspended in mid-air. Mike Franks, his late mentor, walks up and flicks the bullet away. Gibbs father and the team are seated at

a couple of booths. He also sees his old friend, Private Joan Matteson (deceased), who calls out joyfully to him. As Gibbs replies, a young version of himself passes by and goes to Matteson.

Franks tells Gibbs he shouldn't have hesitated and people want to show him what he's accomplished. "Jethro, this is your life we're talking about," Franks says.

Former NCIS Director Jenny Shepherd (Lauren Holly) is there. They give each other a poignant look. Gibbs picks up the menu, which only has steak, coffee, whiskey listed on it.

Franks tells Gibbs "people" want to give him closure, show him all the good he did. Ziva's dead terrorist brother Ari strolls by.

24 Hours Earlier At the office, Tony and Ziva are obsessing over the fact McGee switched his computer monitors. Gibbs arrives with the body of the week: a dead petty officer on the USS Gentry. It's been dry docked for weeks for repair.

Onboard, they check out the body in the control room. She has a gun in her hand. Ziva follows a blood trail to a nearby cargo bay. They find a man who has been shot. He's still alive, but out cold.

Back in the ethereal diner, Franks tells Gibbs he "earned" the playback. Gibbs protests that he was just doing his job. Ari is playing chess with Leon Vance at the counter. FBI Agent Farnell is there, too, he lifts his cup to acknowledge Gibbs.

Franks takes Gibbs back to the office, telling him one decision can change everything. Ducky walks by nodding to Gibbs with a muttered, "Jethro". At the office they talk about Kate. There's a picture of Tony with Kate (Sasha Alexander) on a desk.

Gibbs' flashes back to the day Ari shot Kate on a roof. Franks says "this time" Gibbs saw Ari and stopped him. If Kate hadn't died, things would be different. We see the scene, but this time Gibbs is able to call in air support and scare Ari off.

Tony comes to the hospital frantic from being undercover, worried he missed it. Abby and McGee, obviously a couple, calm him down before he takes off down the hall. The doctor shows him to a room where an exasperated Kate is waiting in a hospital bed. Tony says something about her looking "less fat" and then says "Oh, boy" to which the doctor replies, "Yes" and introduced Tony to his son. If Kate had lived, Ziva would have stayed Mossad.

Flash to Tony interrogating Ziva.

Franks tells Gibbs that there was more to the case yesterday than Gibbs saw coming.

In the office, they learn Petty Officer Janet McCaffrey had a spotless record but made two deposits over \$30,000 in the last week.

The civilian is Peter Germaine and he's still in the ICU. He works for a ship building company that was just bought by a Hong Kong company. There are some security concerns about a foreign country doing work on US ships.

In the lab, Gibbs finds a shirtless Jimmy Palmer laying on a table and Abby is massaging his abs. Jimmy tells Gibbs that he pulled a muscle and that Abby was "Rolfing" him. He quickly leaves as Gibbs gives him The Stare. Abby tells Gibbs the two bullets in McCaffrey and one in Germaine came from the gun left in Germaine's hand. There was a partial print belonging to Michael Rose, a freelance systems analyst who does work with Navy intel. All three had clearance to be on board. Gibbs says, "Who knew Palmer had abs like that?" as he wanders out and Abby grins.

At the diner, a waitress serves Gibbs pie with chocolate sauce, just like his mom used to. He recognizes his mom Anne. She tells him she's proud of him. She says he gets to go home eventually. She tells him he could have been easier on his dad, it's hard raising a son. "Just ask Michael Rose," she says.

Back at the office, McGee says Michael Rose is a 42 year old divorced systems analyst facing foreclosure on his home. He has a 17 year old son named Stephen. Rose deposited \$20,000 48 hours ago, his coworkers haven't seen him.

He made two calls to secure diplomatic lines in DC. Gibbs thinks he was calling the Chinese Embassy.

Back on the ship, Tony needles McGee until he tells him Vance offered him the head of the cyber crimes unit in Okinawa. Tony already knew, and says it's too good an opportunity to pass up. McGee finds his sincerity disconcerting. Tony tells him to trust his gut.

Ziva waits for Stephen Rose to get home. He swings his lacrosse stick at her, then explains his dad says he has to protect himself from the Chinese and they might have trouble.

Back at the diner, his mom tells Gibbs he hasn't made his mind up yet. The headline of a newspaper reads "NCIS Agent kills suspect". Gibbs hasn't pulled the trigger yet.

Dead NCIS Agent Riley McAlister joins Gibbs in a booth. He's there because Gibbs needs him, but Gibbs just thinks of him as a crook and a murderer. He calls Gibbs the same and reminds Gibbs of Mexico and Pedro Hernandez, the man Gibbs killed to avenge the deaths of his wife and daughter.

Gibbs imagines what would have happened if he hadn't killed Hernandez, but says he had to. If he hadn't, Abby wouldn't be carrying around the huge secret she has. He asks what would have happened to him if he hadn't.

24 Hours earlier Gibbs sits down with Stephen Rose, a nice honest kid. Gibbs tells him his dad is selling secrets to the Chinese, but Stephen says he just got pulled in with some bad people. His dad called last night and sounded scared.

Gibbs sees Pedro Hernandez sitting down the diner counter and fixates on him. Franks says if Gibbs hadn't shot him, it would have eaten Gibbs up.

Cut to fat out of shape Gibbs in his basement, swilling from a bottle. The team comes to check on him, they haven't seen him in months. He hasn't been the NCIS boss in years. The boat is back in the basement. He just wants to be left alone. He's surly. Abby tells him Kate had her baby (this time a girl) and named her Kelly, Gibbs' dead daughter's name. He doesn't want them to stay. Abby and McGee are together (sensing a pattern here ;)).

Duckie tells him to stop thinking about himself and think about the ones who love him. He kicks them out, saying he doesn't want their pity. Duckie asks, "Then what *do* you want?"

Back in the diner, Franks tells him folks do the wrong things for the right reasons and maybe Gibbs isn't so different from Michael Rose.

Back on the ship, Gibbs, McGee, Tony and Stephen Rose look for Michael. A search dog barks at a storage room door. Stephan talks to his dad, saying they just want to help.

Michael comes out with his hands up.

Gibbs picks a bullet up off the diner floor. He sees his daughter Kelly, she takes him to his late wife. She tells him they've been waiting for him. Kelly is drawing a picture of the three of them.

Back in interrogation, Gibbs tells Rose that Germaine just died in ICU. Rose says he thought it would be easy, they had a plan. Germaine had the connection with the Chinese and Rose was supposed to do the download, but he changed his mind, worrying about his honor and the lives he'd be putting at risk. He says he tried to call the Chinese embassy to back out, but when he went to the ship that night to erase the hard drive, they were already there. He claims he killed them in self-defense. He needed the money to save his family.

Back in the diner, Gibbs tells his wife he shouldn't have let her testify and he should have known better. Kelly tells him it wasn't his decision and his wife says if they hadn't died, he wouldn't have joined NIS. If they hadn't died, he would have stayed a Marine and they would have been on the other side of the situation.

At the Gibbs' house, he's overseas and there's a knock at the door. His wife and daughter see Marines in dress uniforms.

In the diner, his wife tells him he doesn't get it both ways.

Back at NCIS, Gibbs tells Stephen to head home. Stephen asks him for help, saying his dad is just trying to do what's right. Gibbs says killing two people wasn't right. Stephen sees he's not going to help him.

At the diner, from the moment Gibbs first walks in. He sits down for coffee.

The gunman gets up and walks toward him. He pulls the gun and Gibbs draws his, but he pauses. Stephen is the shooter. He fires, grazing Gibbs in the shoulder. Gibbs puts his gun down and Stephen lowers his. Two men from the diner tackle Stephen. Stephen is weeping and telling Gibbs that he's so sorry.

Gibbs hears Mike Franks voice, saying that apparently Gibbs isn't finished yet. He looks over to a booth and sees what looks like the back of Mike Franks, when he looks again - no one is there.

Back at the office, McGee announces he's not talking the job in Okinawa, he thinks he has more to do here. Tony and Ziva are pleased that he is staying.

Gibbs comes in announcing a dead Marine in DC. He's all healed and ready to head out. As the team members try to get him to take it easy after the previous days shooting, Gibbs tells them, "My choice, I wouldn't have it any other way" He pauses and looks back at the office for a long moment, then smiles and fade to black.

Secrets

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Guest Stars: Perrey Reeves (Wendy Miller), Riley Thomas Stewart (Fred Miller), Will Deutsch (Smaller Guy), Shannon McClung (Boltcutter), Lombardo Boyar (Felix Quintero), Steven W. Bailey (Dexter Murphy), Joe Holt (Navy Captain Jack Wallace), Allison McAtee (Spandaxia), Kevin Christy (Clarence Tobett), Ray Wise (Wayne Tobett), Tom Lind (Tom Ventura)
Production Code: 201
Summary: When a Navy captain is found dead and dressed in a weird costume under his uniform, the NCIS team comes upon a secret society consisting of real-life superheroes, and they have to track down the villain in the story with the help of Tony's ex-fiance.



A man in a flower shop, takes flower orders from voice mail messages. A marine comes in wanting to place an order, but waits for the man behind the counter, Dexter Murphy, to listen to the last one. It's a Hispanic voice ordering flowers for a funeral and asking Murphy if he thought he'd get away with it. "I told you I'd get you when you least expect it," the message says. Two shots ring out, one hits the Marine, the other takes out Murphy.

At the office, Ziva comes in to work cheesed off that she got a speeding ticket – going 80 in a 40 mph. Gibbs comes in with the body of the week: a dead Navy

captain.

At the flower shop, the safe is picked. There are chewed fingernails on the floor. Palmer isn't there because Brina called, their wedding caterer went out of business. Murphy and Capt. Jack Wallace are the victims. Duckie unbuttons the captain's shirt and finds faux chain mail with an emblem of a protractor and a mallet. Tony recognizes it.

Back at the office, McGee says Wallace was a "Real Life Superhero", they do neighborhood watches and fundraising. Wallace went by "Captain Code" and his specialty was building code violations. Murphy was another member, known by "Solanum".

Leon Vance meets with a Miss Miller, a reporter. She and Gibbs go way back. Wallace called her two days ago, he ran a classified program out of the Department of Energy, securing rogue nuclear materials. There's big demand for old Soviet uranium. She's agreed to hold off on her story as long as Gibbs keeps her in the loop.

Down in Abby's lab, she tells Tony that Wallace's insignia was also in a video online six months ago, in which masked Wallace and Murphy broke up a bar fight. She hasn't been able to ID the person who shot the video.

Tony runs into Miller in the hall, Gibbs assigned her to Tony. He knows her. She's Wendy his ex-fiancee, the one who invited him to the Christmas brunch he bailed on.

Tony meets with her in a conference room, she claims not to know why Wallace was calling. She was a teacher when he knew her. They agree it's nice to see each other. Tony finds Ziva and McGee listening at the door. Wendy knows a trust fund baby named Clarence Tobett shot the fight video.

Tony and Ziva visit the Tobett mansion, where he's boxing with his butler, a former army man. Clarence is "ICU". He was on "bait patrol" when he shot the video, waiting in a bad area for trouble to start.

Clarence's dad Wayne (Ray Wise) comes in and chews out his son for being useless. Clarence has the partial license plate of the guy in the bar fight. "Captain Code" told him he was on to something.

In the morgue, Duckie finds Wallace had lots of healed wounds from street fighting. His wife died in childbirth and his daughter died when a balcony collapsed on her (thus the building code violation specialty).

Duckie wonders why Gibbs would pair Tony with Wendy.

Abby interrupts, reporting she has DNA from the fingernails. It belongs to Felix Quintero, a smalltime hood who's now a locksmith. His license plate matches the partial from the bar fight video.

Tony drives angry with Ziva. He notices they're being followed. He and Ziva get out and confront Wendy. She gets out of her car to talk to them and her hood politely belches fire. Later, they find a rudimentary bomb under her hood.

In the car back in the lab, they find past references to Captain Wallace in her notes. She lied to them.

Vance, Gibbs and Tony confront her. He was a source for her expose on wasteful military spending. She still claims she doesn't know why Wallace called this time.

Tony escorts her to her house. He's angry because he found out from her notes that she was working on a story about the Navy when she invited him to Christmas brunch. They hadn't spoken in nine years, since their engagement ended. She admits she wanted to pump him for information.

They size each other up. She used to be sweet and innocent and he used to be a hopeless romantic. They jump on each other and start making out, but are quickly interrupted by her young son, Fred, coming home with his nanny.

Wendy goes to pack and Tony tries to make conversation with Fred, asking him about Harry Potter. His favorite is the one where "Harry wasn't kissing my mom." Fred tells Tony not to let it happen again.

Tony meets McGee on a stakeout for Quintero. Tony says he and Wendy had a bad break up. They notice a woman standing in front of the building they're watching. Tony goes to talk to her and she runs away, into an alley. She ducks and throws off her trench coat, revealing a superhero unitard. She maces them as three other Real Life Superheroes come out, including Felix Quintero.

Tony and McGee impound the van and bring the RLS back to NCIS. The woman is calling herself "Spandaxia" and she's there with "Whip Cord" and "Bolt Cutter". Abby comes, wanting a picture with them.

Tony finds Wendy up in the observation room with Ziva, swapping stories.

Gibbs sits down with Felix, who left the threatening voice mail. He says Captain Code hired him to fake the attack and not even ICU, the camera man, knew it. They wanted publicity. He left the message because he never got paid for faking the attack and broke into the safe after they were dead to get his payment.

They confirm Felix's alibi.

Gibbs wants to focus on Wendy and why Wallace wanted to talk to her.

Tony visits Duckie in the lab and gets some psychoanalysis about how he keeps chasing the wrong woman because he never put everything with Wendy behind him.

Wendy broke off the engagement the night before the wedding and he didn't take it well. They haven't spoken since that night. Tony knows Gibbs set him up to try to deal with it. Duckie heard from other coroners who also had recent murders of Real Life Superheros.

There are four victims in three crime scenes. Lord of Karma was shot trying to stop a burglary and Fever Blister was killed trying to stop a carjacking.

The same cell phone shows up in each neighborhood where the murder took place. It belongs to Clarence Tobett. But Gibbs doesn't think he's guilty.

Gibbs, Ziva and Tony go to the Tobett's and find Clarence's dad yelling at him for wanting to go out dressed up like a super hero as he practices his moves. They tell the Tobetts and Tom, the butler, that they found the murderer's cell phone was at the crime scenes. Ziva dials it and Tom's phone rings. It's a company phone from Clarence's dad. Tom starts to run, but Clarence knocks him out cold.

Back at NCIS, they tell Vance that Wayne Tobett was a slum lord who bought properties in crime ridden areas. The super heroes drove down crime and property values rose, which was the last thing he wanted. They tried to kill the superheroes so crime would go back up and they could buy cheap.

Wendy wrote a story about DC real estate in high crime areas and Wayne worried she'd connect the super hero dots. Vance says good job, calling Gibbs "Cupid".

Tony finds Wendy. She tells him she invited him to Christmas brunch not for information but because she wanted to see him. He wants to know why she broke it off at the last minute. She thinks he's sad and lonely. She urges him to tell "her" how he feels, "whoever she is." He says that's not going to happen and reiterates. She left because she wasn't ready to meet the one and he was it. She sent him the invitation because she wasn't ready before, but she is now.

Psych Out

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Guest Stars: Jamie Lee Curtis (Samantha Ryan), Jack Guzman (Wade), Richard Gleason (Navy Reservist Dr. Robert Banks), Robert Craighead (DEA Agent Simon Lewis), Samm Levine (NCIS Agent Cashier Fred Seymour), Rob Mayes (Former Marine 2nd Lieutenant Kyle Baxter), Aubrey Deeker (Former Navy Commander Brian Mitchell), Brandon Olive (Military Liaison Ross Kilmer), Kirsten Nelson (Beth Banks), Spencer Locke (Amber Banks), Wendy Makkena (Dr. Rachel Cranston), Faruq Tauheed (Derek)
Production Code: 202
Summary: When a Navy reservist is found dead, the NCIS team has to find out if it is a suicide case, as Gibbs goes head to head with Dr. Samantha Ryan of the PSyOps Division. Meanwhile, Tony fights with accounting after learning about McGee's paycheck.



A two-man team breaks into a house. They cut the phone line so the alarm won't work. They creep through the house and hear someone upstairs. The intruders have guns. They're creeping up the stairs when all of a sudden a body comes over the railing. It's a dead man, strung up by his neck. One intruder is so startled he fires into the body.

At the office, Tony is excited it's payday. He realizes he has McGee's statement and McGee makes \$253 a week more than him. McGee says it's all about withholding.

Gibbs comes in with the body of the week: a reservist in Arlington. At the scene, the intruders are in cuffs for breaking and entering. They didn't steal anything. The victim is Dr. Robert Banks, a psychologist with high level clearance at the Pentagon. Dr. Rachel Cranston (Kate's sister) comes to the scene, she was the victim's doctor.

She tells Gibbs she's sure he didn't kill himself.

She spoke to the victim several times last night. He was consulting on a special project for the Pentagon, in the PsyOps division.

She thinks they fabricated prescriptions in his name to make him look bad. He lived for his daughter and wouldn't have killed himself because of her.

Back at NCIS, his teenage daughter Amber blames her mom because they got divorced.

He had an additional life insurance policy for \$4 million that goes to his wife and daughter. It had an exclusion clause for suicide. It appears to be news to the ex-wife.

A woman (Jamie Lee Curtis) comes to see Tony and he assumes she's there about the paycheck. She thinks there are underlying feelings of inadequacies between him and McGee. He figures out she's not from accounting. She's Dr. Samantha Ryan from the Department of Defense, head of PsyOps.

Vance joins them, Ryan knows him and flirts a little.

Vance talks to Gibbs, he got a call from Sec Nav wanting to know why NCIS is working a PsyOps case. Gibbs says it's theirs because the victim was a reservist.

He asks how Vance knows Dr. Ryan and he plays coy, saying they "spent time together" at the war college. He warns Gibbs that she's inquisitive.

Gibbs joins Drs. Ryan and Cranston staring each other down. They went to school together and both slept with Dr. Banks. Cranston tells Ryan "they" think Banks was killed because of a PsyOps mission.

Ryan refuses to answer any questions with Cranston there, but tells Gibbs that Banks was working on a PsyOps assignment with a man named Brian Mitchell.

Ziva and Tony visit Mitchell, who can't believe he wasn't informed about Banks's death. Mitchell is freaked out by the PsyOps work and has asked to be reassigned. He says Banks was going through a rough divorce and ugly custody battle.

Tony shows him a court order allowing Mitchell to talk about what they were working on. They were looking into former Marine Sgt. Kyle Baxter, who received a negative discharge two months ago because of a negative psych eval written by Dr. Banks.

In the morgue, Duckie is trying to figure out whether Banks died from hanging or the bullet. He says it's was definitely a suicide, but Duckie says he only had about six months to live because of a kidney and liver condition.

In the lab, Abby tells Gibbs that someone switched out Banks's prescriptions for dangerous psychotropic drugs that were wrecking his kidneys and liver.

Gibbs pays Dr. Ryan a visit and they instantly start sizing each other up. Ross her assistant joins them with the personnel list for the ops Banks was working on. He hands Gibbs a flash drive, but Gibbs prefers paper.

Back at the office, McGee scans electromagnetic field emitters they found in Banks' house, which can cause interference with sleep and cause migraines.

Gibbs brings in personnel files. He's suspicious of them, but wants McGee to go through them anyway.

They found a mission file in Banks's safe. Gibbs looks at it and tears out a page. He wants McGee to track the gizmos back to PsyOps. He unplugs their computers and insists on paper from here on.

Ziva and McGee hit the archives.

Gibbs goes to a psychology ball and interrupts Dr. Ryan. As Gibbs is pulling her aside, her assistant Ross checks that everything is OK. Dr. Ryan leads Gibbs into the women's room to talk.

He reads from the page he tore out, which suggests "removal of threats using drugs and alternative methods". He mentions driving a sane person to suicide using pills and sleep deprivation. She cautions him to be careful with what he's suggesting. She claims to know nothing about Banks' death.

Rachel Cranston rinds Gibbs working on a rocking chair in his basement. She confesses she left a few details out. Banks mentioned a sensitive national security issue, an operation. She got the sense someone wanted to keep him from talking.

McGee calls to report they've found nothing in the personnel files Ryan gave them. Gibbs suggests they find Kyle Baxter, but he's missing. Gibbs' phone fuzzes out and he gets suspicious. He cranks up a handheld radio and uses it to sweep the room for bugs. He finds one in his woodworking tools. He opens it up and speaks into it: "Good night, Ryan, sleep tight." He smashes it.

At the archives, they tell Gibbs that Baxter was handpicked by Banks for PsyOps then kicked out by him. Gibbs wants info on the bug he found, but without using the computer. McGee's cell phone beeps, signaling that Baxter is getting a call.

Tony and Ziva head to the location, but find assistant Ross waiting for them. He claims Baxter was just there and left his phone to see if NCIS was tracking him. He puts a matchbook on the table and walks away. It has the name James Drenden written in it.

Gibbs rattles Dr. Ryan by showing up where her son goes to school. He points out it's PsyOps 101 to approach people at their most vulnerable.

Cut to Dr. Ryan yelling at Vance in his office as Gibbs listens, bemused. He says it's fairplay given that she bugged his house. She doesn't deny it. They want to know about the operation Banks mentioned to Dr. Cranston. It was to use PsyOps techniques to destabilize Iranian nuclear scientists before they could build a bomb.

It's possible the Iranians got wind of it and got Dr. Banks back. She offers to do whatever she can to help.

In the lab, Abby cracks Dr. Banks' laptop and finds someone hacked it before she did, buying stocks in his name, draining his bank account, buying things online, hacking his email. If he Googled something, he got misinformation. His entire reality was being manipulated by someone in Mexico, a resort in Cancun – where the matchbook was from. They have surveillance showing Baxter.

McGee pulls up James Drenden, Baxter's alias. He came back from Mexico two months ago. He's still using the same alias as a bartender in town.

Cut to Gibbs talking to Baxter, who is charming and aloof. He says he's being framed by PsyOps as the fall guy. He says he never left his phone or the matchbook. He gives Gibbs a number to call and ask for Simon.

Cut to Vance and Gibbs in MTAC talking to a man on a beach in a cowboy hat, who says Baxter was the best CI they ever had. He's been undercover with the DEA for the past 12 months.

Ryan shows up at Gibbs door with tapes of Dr. Cranston's sessions with Banks. In a round about way she says she had to mislead him about Baxter to protect her mission, just following rules.

Gibbs sites his own: "Rule 42: Don't ever accept an apology from someone who just sucker punched you." "I didn't apologize," she says.

She makes a choked up plea to Gibbs to leave her son out of it. He says OK. He asks her who with her knowledge could have killed Banks. She says whoever did it lost sight of who they are and what they do. She doesn't have a name, but wishes him luck. She walks out, but leaves her cell phone.

In the office the next day, he gives it to McGee to work on. He locates the calls from PsyOps and crosses them against calls to Banks from the past month. There's just one: Brian Mitchell, the PsyOps liason. All the texts have been erased.

Gibbs tells Tony to dial both numbers three times and hang up. Gibbs leaves and Vance explains it's an old spycraft trick to signal someone to show up at a predetermined location, so novice it might work.

Cut to Brian Mitchell meeting Dr. Banks' daughter Amanda in the park. She says she'll never take the fall for him killing her dad, but he did it like she said, so they could be together. She wants just her dad's life insurance policy.

Gibbs comes out and arrests them.

Back at NCIS, Dr. Cranston blames herself for not seeing it was his daughter. She thought Amanda was another broken teenager caught up in an ugly divorce.

Tony finally gets a visit from accounts payable. Due to a clerical error, McGee was getting overpaid. But unfortunately, they screwed up Tony's withholdings and he owes more than \$2,000.

Home asleep on the couch late at night, Gibbs is woken up by Dr. Ryan. It's 4 a.m. She thanks Gibbs for figuring out what happened to Dr. Banks. She says he has a gift for making people feel safe. She wants breakfast now. He knows a diner that's open 24 hours. He asks if she's asking him out on a date. "It's the middle of the night, Agent Gibbs – you tell me," she says.

Need to Know

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Guest Stars: Tamer Hassan (Agah Bayar), Matt Jones (Probationary Agent Ned Dorneget), Katia Winter (Ava Baransky), Adam Kulbersh (Alan Katzenbach), Robin Sachs (MI5 Inspector Andrew Challis), Michael Edwin (TSA Officer Perkins), Erin Beaux (DIA Officer George Roca), Ashton Moio (Michael Reardon)
Production Code: 203
Summary: When a Chief Petty Officer with top-secret clearance to a Naval research laboratory is murdered, the investigation leads the NCIS team to an international arms dealer. Meanwhile, a probationary agent tries to impress Gibbs hoping to join his team.



Alan Katzenbach, a lawyer, waits for Gibbs with his client, a chief petty officer named Leland Wiley. Wiley was busted for drugs and wants to trade his info – which he says is about national security. It concerns Agah Bayar, the arms dealer. Gibbs is interested. Wiley comes over to talk, but grabs his heart and drops to the ground.

Back at work, in the morgue, Palmer is missing because Breena summoned him to pick a wedding font for the invites. Wiley died of a heart attack from a rapid heartbeat. He had a pacemaker to correct his slow heartbeat. Duckie wonders if the pacemaker malfunctioned.

Tony comes to work and notices Ziva pacing. She's memorizing a speech for a high school career day she's speaking at. Probationary Agent Ned Dorneget comes up from evidence to get Tony's signature for their files. Tony hems and haws so McGee intercedes and artfully forges Tony's signature, which he's apparently been doing for years.

Gibbs comes for the update on the body of the week. Wiley had top security clearance and his workstation is now locked down. They haven't been able to connect him to Bayar yet.

Abby calls Gibbs to the lab. She tells him Wiley's pacemaker was linked into a computer to monitor it. Someone hacked in and jacked his heart rate up to 400 beats per minute. "Somebody murdered Wiley by remote control," she says.

Back in the office, Ziva recaps that Wiley used to be stationed on a nuclear submarine before he got his pacemaker and desk job. Tony comes from Wiley's cardiologist, who saw Wiley two weeks ago and said everything was fine. The monitor logs were normal.

Tony reads a copy of Ziva's speech and tries to mess with her.

Gibbs visits Vance. Vance checked with other agencies to see if they were looking into Bayar and got stonewalled. He mentions his wife is trying to get him to take a vacation, and Gibbs urges him to do it.

Abby and McGee track the hack in her lab. Dorneget drops by to pick up the gloves he left at Abby's house last night. She calls him "Dorny" and makes McGee jealous. Dorneget wants advice for getting on Gibbs' good side. McGee urges him to be a step ahead.

Tony and Ziva search Wiley's apartment and amid all the junk and trash they find a fancy watch. They also find an envelope full of cash.

Gibbs brings Wiley's lawyer Katzenbach up to Vance's office to try to get him to talk. Katzenbach claims not to know what info Wiley had. He met Wiley yesterday.

Dorneget brings a cup of coffee for Gibbs and signs for the 40 grand in cash in Wiley's apartment. Gibbs trashes the coffee when he sees it's not from the coffee cart. McGee pulls up footage of Agah Bayar passing through customs at Dulles three days ago from Zurich.

Vance reports that Wiley's team found that he'd accessed top secret stealth communications – not something he was working on. He transferred it to a flash drive. In enemy hands, it would make all US stealth inventory worthless.

Ziva finds footage of Bayar checking into a hotel and leaving with a hot red head. Ziva is sure she's a call girl.

McGee reports the signal that screwed with Wiley's pacemaker was routed through a TV satellite and NASA ground antenna in the Mojave Desert. Ziva has a NASA friend tracking it.

They get surveillance footage of Bayar recently going to the Turkish embassy.

Gibbs heads to tech services.

Cut to Gibbs waiting for Bayar outside of the embassy. Bayar assures Gibbs he's just a businessman, but Gibbs isn't buying it. He lets Bayar know they're watching him and are going to "take him down". They face off, squinty-eyed guy-style. Bayar gets into his Astin Martin and drives off.

Gibbs calls McGee, who watches the progress of the tracking device he just put on Bayar's car.

Abby finds the super hot girl is Ava Baransky, a fashion model who flew in from London two hours before Bayar. They're staying at the same hotel.

Dorneget runs into Gibbs in the elevator and forgets to push his floor button. Gibbs also points out his fly is open.

McGee shows Gibbs footage of Bayar leaving a restaurant recently with Ava, followed a short time later by Wiley.

Ziva reports Ava Baransky checked out of the hotel early. Tony fights for the chance to go through her left behind luggage.

Gibbs and McGee head to the tracking location for Bayar's car and are walking toward the restaurant when Defense Intelligence Agency George Roca intercepts them. Roca saw Gibbs talk to Bayar earlier. The DIA has him under surveillance and they tell Gibbs to back off, saying Gibbs doesn't have the need to know what they're working on.

Back in the office, Ziva reports Ava Baransky has been stopped at the Philly airport. Tony offers to go get her, but Gibbs tells Ziva to go. She tells him about her high school speaking engagement. Gibbs looks around and calls for Dorneget. He sends him with McGee.

Vance comes from speaking with Sec-Nav, who reports NCIS won't be let into the DIA operation.

On the ride, McGee tells Dorneget that Gibbs is testing him. He tells him about Gibbs' many rules. He tells Dorneget just to back him up when they get there. Dorneget realizes he forgot his gun.

Abby hears from her NASA friend, a 16 year old genius she met at a Mensa retreat last summer. Colin followed the signal that hacked Wiley's pacemaker and found it originated from a smart phone in DC belonging to Michael Reardon, a high school dropout who enlisted in the army, then got booted and went to work for a private military company, from which he got fired.

At the Philly airport, Dorneget flashes his badge upside down. Ava joins them. She tells them Bayar woke her up this morning and told her a business deal he'd been working on had gone bad and suggested she leave the country.

McGee signs for her stuff, including passport and wallet.

Gibbs, Ziva and Tony go to Reardon's house. Ziva says her speaking engagement went great. Reardon runs out the back door and Tony chases him, but Reardon is really fast. He hurdles construction blockades and does some almost parkour running away, until he runs into Gibbs' Chevy.

McGee and Dorneget drive back to DC. Dorneget asks how she met Bayar, she says it was on a photo shoot in Vienna. When she got back to London he'd sent flowers and a ticket to DC. Dorneget asks if she knows what Bayar does for a living. McGee cuts her off, saying they'll get into it back at NCIS.

Ava flirts with Dorneget in the rearview mirror.

Back in the morgue, Duckie examines Reardon and announces he has a broken collar bone. Gibbs drags him over to see Wiley's dead body. Reardon claims he doesn't know who Agah Bayar is. Gibbs and Tony threaten him with morgue implements. He says some Russian chick hired him.

Baransky is a Russian name.

Dorneget stops at a gas station. They let Ava out and let her take her purse to the bathroom. Dorneget goes with her to check the bathroom.

In MTAC, Gibbs talks to Inspector Challis from MI5. They've been watching Ava for years. Her mother was English, her father was Russian and she visited him recently. Gibbs and Vance are surprised to hear that the DIA asked MI5 to unflag her passport and let her into the US. Challis warns them she's skilled in martial arts.

Agah Bayar is the middleman, Baranksy is the client.

Tony calls Gibbs and tells him Baransky is now the suspect and should be considered dangerous. McGee goes to look for Dorneget and finds him handcuffed in the women's room. Baranksy is gone. McGee blames Dorneget for being distracted by Baranksy's beauty, but Dorneget protests that he's gay.

Gibbs calls for McGee, who steels himself to fess up. But Gibbs tells McGee to apologize to her and let her go. McGee and Dorneget are off the hook.

Vance fills Gibbs in: the stealth technology stolen by Wiley and sold through Bayar was all part of a DIA sting of dis-information for the Russians. Baransky has the info on a flash drive disguised as a lipstick.

The DIA used Wiley because they knew about his habit and figured he'd bite on Bayar for the money, they didn't figure Wiley would get busted and cough up Bayar to NCIS, or that Baransky would have Reardon kill him.

Vance tells Gibbs he can't tell his team. It's still need to know. Vance wants to know how Wiley and Agah Bayar know each other.

McGee and Dorneget drive back to NCIS, feeling like they dodged a bullet. McGee says he won't tell anyone, but won't lie if he's asked.

Back in the office, Tony is bothered that they let Ava Baranksy go without him getting to meet her.

When Dorneget comes back, Tony peppers him for information on Ava. Tony is tantalized.

Later that night, Bayar is out to dinner by himself, finishing his wine when Gibbs joins him. Gibbs asks how Bayar knew Wiley could be bought. Bayar says he got lucky, he got paid from both sides. The Russians wanted the info and the US wanted to give them bad info so they needed Bayar to make it seem legit. "So we're playing for the same time," Bayar says. "This time," Gibbs says.

The Tell

Season 9
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Recurring Role: Matt Craven (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis)
Guest Stars: Jamie Lee Curtis (Samantha Ryan), Sean Astin (Tyler Elliott), William Russ (Philip Wickes), John Prosky (Carl Dalton), Lauren Hodges (Amanda Baylor), Joel Polis (Ronald Ostrowski), Tom Virtue (Frank Satner), J. Claude Deering (Curtis Hubley)
Production Code: 204
Summary: Following a leak of classified information, the Secretary of the Navy partners NCIS with PsyOps to solve the mysterious case.



Around a conference table at a steel company, the suits are nervous about losing a Naval contract. The president and CEO of Wickes Steel and Shipbuilding goes to give a speech about the company's role in building ships for the Navy.

He rehearses and is joined by Sec-Nav Clayton Jarvis, an old school buddy. Tony and Gibbs are there doing security. They notice too late a man carrying tablecloths in front of his face. He pulls out a gun and shoots Jarvis in the chest. The shooter runs out the door.

At NCIS, Ziva is suspicious that Vance, Gibbs and Tony are all gone. She doesn't

believe Tony's story about being on personal security for Jarvis.

Back at the ballroom, Tony explains to Wickes that they're trying to keep the investigation closed, telling everyone who was there not to say anything. Vance joins and reports Jarvis doesn't look good. Gibbs orders Wickes brought back to HQ.

Gibbs and Vance go to the hospital, where the head of Psyops Samantha Ryan (Jamie Lee Curtis), is cheerfully waiting for them with the shooter, her lead investigator Tyler Elliot (Sean Astin). It's a sting. Jarvis is fine.

Back at NCIS, Ziva and McGee stalk Tony for information. In MTAC, Jarvis explains the sting on Phillips Wickes, a close personal friend.

A week ago, a page from a classified file appeared online. The same day, Jarvis got a demand for a halt to the Navy's green initiative to build all new subs and ships with new lighter materials. If Jarvis refuses to go along, the person has threatened to release more pages.

The file was lifted from the Atlantic Undersea Test and Evaluation Center, where military technology is tested. The file could show the weaknesses of every port on the eastern seaboard.

The backmail message was sent from Wickes Steel, which lost a big contract. Samantha Ryan explains that seeing his personal friend shot will make him ask his people why they shot Jarvis.

Ryan wants to prompt Gibbs with what to say in interrogation. She convinces him by reminding him about how she guessed he likes powdered sugar instead of syrup on his pancakes at their recent breakfast.

In interrogation, Gibbs follows her prompts, asking Wickes how many people in his company knew about the speech. She specifically wants to see how Wickes reacts to mention of AUTEK. Gibbs goes along, but gets frustrated, taking out his earpiece. He blocks the camera as he asks about AUTEK.

Wickes tells him about a former employee named Lawrence Ridgeway who Wickes recently had to let go. He lost thousands in company stock and will lose his pension if Wickes goes under. Ridgeway doesn't have the computer skills to pull off the hack.

Ziva sees Gibbs smile at Ryan and thinks he seems happy.

Elliot and Ziva go to Ridgeway's house and see him dead inside. He's been dead a few days.

Back in the morgue, Duckie tells Gibbs and Ryan that Ridgeway died about 72 hours ago, before they started the Wickes operation.

Ryan starts talking to Ridgeway's corpse, asking why he was about to paint his living room. She deduces he wasn't involved, but knew something.

In Abby's lab, she shows she mapped the bullet back to the shooter.

On the way out of the lab, Ryan tells Gibbs he's grumpy because he needs more sex.

In the office, they report Wickes has contacted three people. Ronald Ostrowski and VP Frank Stratner and another guy.

Gibbs wants access to Ridgeway's redacted Wickes report.

At the Pentagon, Ryan thinks he eliminated the last connection between his company and AUTEK. Gibbs asks about her son and she shows him a drawing he did years ago of he and his mom on a boat.

McGee calls, he traced the hack back to a government encryption specialist named Amanda Baylor. She works in the Iron Crypt, a locked down facility where she's not supposed to leave for 72 hours. Ryan flirts her way in and they find the room empty. The computers are being run remotely. Gibbs looks into the webcam. "Amanda Baylor, are you there?" The system shuts down.

Back at the office, Abby shows Ryan and Gibbs a map of AUTEK in the Bermuda Triangle. They think they're running cables down thousands of feet. She traced the bullet back to a rare hunting rifle.

Ryan and Gibbs go talk to Wickes at his mansion, with Ryan posing as the Secretary's public affairs officer. Gibbs takes a call, relaying that Jarvis isn't going to make it. Wickes takes in the news, glancing at a photo on his desk.

Back at the office, the second page of the file has been leaked, with a list of all the ports in the file. Ryan shows Jarvis the photo of him and Wickes that Wickes had on his desk. She noticed him look at it when Wickes heard about the hunting rifle. The picture was taken on a hunting trip. Ryan thinks the glance at the photo was a tell.

They bring Wickes into interrogation. Jarvis walks in and tells Wickes his people think he's blackmailing Jarvis. Watching from the observation room, Ryan believes Wickes.

Back in Ryan's office, Gibbs tells her Wickes signed a non-disclosure agreement. She thinks Gibbs wants to gloat because he thought Wickes was innocent from the get go. Ryan is rattled that she was wrong.

They get Ridgeway's AUTEK reports without the redactions. In the late 70s he was paid to keep quiet about a classified technology he accidentally saw at AUTEK. He was paid \$500,000, but the money came from a pool that's been accruing interest. There's now \$327 million in it.

Upstairs, McGee finds multiple hacks into the back account in recent weeks. They think the blackmail was a distraction. McGee sees Baylor attempting a hack and tracks her location.

Ziva and Tony head there, a van on the side of the road. She's unshowered and stinky. She says someone hired her through Wickes, but she doesn't know who.

Down in the garage, McGee brings Abby Baylor's computer. Gibbs comes down and gets a brainstorm.

He takes the photo to Jarvis, asking who took the picture. That was the tell. Carl Dalton, Wickes' half brother, in house counsel for Wickes Steel took it.

Back at Wickes' mansion, Carl arrives. Gibbs asks him if he killed Lawrence Ridgeway. Carl apologizes to Wickes, saying it's his job to look out for the family. Ridgeway told him about the account and he wanted it to save the company.

In Gibbs' living room, he and Ryan share a beer after steaks. He tells her to relax and stop running. She kisses him, then says she has to go. Gibbs tells her he can help her with her ex.

She's still doubting herself after being wrong about Wickes. He reminds her she was right about the tell. She tells him she wants to slow down and see people around her, but she's not sure if she can. "I'm here, doc," Gibbs says. "I know," she says. Gibbs cleans up after she leaves and finds she's drawn him a boat.

The Good Son

Season 9

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Guest Stars: Paula Newsome (Jackie Vance), Aaron Perilo (Petty Officer Third Class Brian Smith), Akinsola Aribio (Jared Vance), Andy Shephard (Navy Seaman Mark Hill), Don Stark (Marty Fiero), Eden Riegel (Meredith Bilson), Jocko Sims (Michael Thomas), Kiara Muhammad (Kayla Vance), Lawrence Adimora (Navy Seaman Jacob Pierway), Patrick Cohen (Petty Officer Third Class Dan Garscott), Richard Reid (Navy Seaman Robert Eplund)
Production Code: 205
Summary: Director Vance's brother-in-law is the lead suspect when Gibbs and the NCIS team investigate the murder of a petty officer.



A petty officer leads his very drunk fellow officer to the car and they notice their shipmate lying in the street. They turn him over and see he's dead.

In the office, Tony is being silent, claiming he's finding "deep calm." McGee and Ziva assume he's sick. But he's pouring his over last year's performance appraisal review. Gibbs said DiNozzo displays "exemplary skills but can be a bit too talkative in the field".

"Coming from a functional mute, that's rich," Tony says. Nevertheless he resolves to cut the chit chat.

Gibbs interrupts with the dead body of

the week.

At the crime scene, Tony tells Ziva he and his ex-fiancee Wendy are letting things cool for a while.

The victim is Caleb Adams, 23, petty officer second class on a destroyer docked for liberty.

The victim was stabbed.

Baltimore PD has a suspect in custody. They got a call from an auto repair shop two blocks away with an auto mechanic trying to wash blood off his hands and jacket.

They check out the clean cut suspect, who immediately says he's being railroaded. His name is Michael Thomas.

In the office, Vance says he's his wife's kid brother. Vance refuses to butt out. He wants five minutes with Michael before Gibbs talks to him.

Michael says he'd never met the victim before and was just trying to help him. Vance believes him, but tells Michael to convince Gibbs.

Gibbs talks to Michael, who's never been arrested before. He says the cops wouldn't listen and assumed he was lying. Gibbs listens.

Michael took the 5 a.m. bus in to town and was walking down the street when he heard noises. He saw the victim lying in the street bleeding, just after 5:30 a.m. He tried to apply pressure to the wound. He called 911 at 5:45 a.m. and left for work because his boss gets mad if he's late. He gave the location and his name and address. He's bothered over seeing someone die.

Vance listens and he and Gibbs can both seem to think Michael is telling the truth.

Later, they listen to Michael's 911 call. He sounds upset. There's no connection between Michael and the victim.

Caleb Adams had two overseas deployments and was one of 215 sailors off the ship for liberty last night. He called someone named Meredith Bilson five times in five hours, including right before he died.

McGee gets a call from the ship's commander. Brian Smith, a 21 year old petty officer, didn't return to the ship.

Ziva and Tony visit a restaurant where Caleb got pizza at 3 a.m. The owner Marty isn't much help. Another sailor named Robert introduces himself and says he saw Caleb at 11 p.m. last night. Caleb was on his way to see his girlfriend and was saying she was "the one".

Down in the morgue, Gibbs tells Duckie that Vance is being more than protective of a family member. Vance joins them. Duckie says Caleb was stabbed from the front. Caleb was badly beaten, like he'd been in a fight several hours before his death.

In the elevator, Vance stops it and tells Gibbs that Michael didn't do it. Gibbs doesn't think he did. Vance gets a call from his wife, but doesn't mention what's going on with Michael.

Tony and Ziva visit Caleb's girlfriend and Tony babbles about being insecure about his chattiness. Meredith opens the door, but says she can't talk. A shirtless man comes down the stairs – it's Brian Wilson. He runs. Tony chases him and tackles him. Brian is scraped and bruised, just like Caleb.

Back in NCIS interrogation, Tony shows Brian pictures of Caleb's body.

Meredith tells Ziva she woke up at 6 a.m. and Brian was pounding on her door, he said he and Caleb got into a fight. Caleb called at 11:30p.m. and wanted to come over, but she broke up with him for Brian.

Brian says Caleb jumped him and he ran. He says he went to "clear his head", but Tony points out that's a seven hour gap. Brian and Caleb grew up together.

Meredith said Caleb called late, slurring his words even though he wasn't a big drinker, saying he was going to win her back.

She doesn't think Brian killed Caleb, but she washed a lot of blood out of his shirt.

Back at the office, McGee reports he found Michael Thomas had a juvy record for assault with a deadly weapon.

Gibbs confronts Michael with it. He was 14 and said he made a mistake. Gibbs starts yelling and Vance interrupts.

Out in the hall, Vance tells Gibbs to direct his energy toward Brian Smith. Gibbs asks Vance what's going on. Michael was eight when Vance met his wife, both his parents were dead. Vance helped raise him, got him in to private school and counseling.

Vance and Gibbs visit Abby in the lab. The only prints on the body belong to Brian Smith. Vance thinks he's the killer.

Gibbs tells DiNozzo to search Brian's belongings for a fishing knife. Vance announces he's taking Michael home tonight.

Vance brings Michael home to a very pissed off wife, Jackie, who wants him out of the house. Vance tells her Michael was trying to do the right thing and he ended up a murder suspect. She thinks it's another case of Leon bailing him out. Michael hears her reaming him out. She wants him to let Michael succeed or fail on his own. She relents, agreeing to let Michael stay the night.

Gibbs wakes Abby up in her lab. She found a fish knife in Brian Smith's bag, but with fish blood on it, not Caleb Adam's. He had pills in his system that someone slipped to him.

In the morning, at the Vance house, Leon reminds Michael he's released in his custody. Leon lent Michael money to open a new repair shop.

In the office, Gibbs worries Michael is a flight risk. They video conference with Abby and McGee on the ship. Three of the sailors tested positive for a drug.

McGee interviews a sailor who says he ended up playing blackjack and losing all his money. The night was a blur. The game was in the back of a pizza place.

Gibbs and Tony revisit the pizza place and bust in on a card game in back.

At the office, Gibbs confronts Marty the pizza guy with a baggie of pills they found in his cupboard. He says the pills just make you woozy.

That night, Caleb was going on about his girlfriend dumping him. He says Caleb flipped the table and ran out. They're interrupted when Marty's lawyer arrives.

Out in the hallway, Gibbs realizes drugged Caleb could have picked a fight with anyone. Gibbs asks Tony for his thoughts. He says it'll take some more talking.

Abby examines the cards from the game.

Upstairs, they have grainy footage from across the street into the card game. They see a civilian and remember a sailor saying someone bragged about winning a ton of money, which would mean they were in on the card game. Abby comes up to report a hit on the prints. They belong to Michael Thomas.

Vance stalks out.

Back home, Vance confronts Michael about the card game.

Michael says he was trying win back the money Leon lent him for the garage after he lost it all. They told him he could earn it back by recruiting people to the game. Michael felt bad watching Caleb lose his money and after he bailed, Caleb confronted him, blaming him.

"Next thing I know, he's face down and the knife's in my hand," Michael says. He asks Vance for help and promises he'll make up for it.

"I will help you, Michael, more than I've ever helped you before," Vance says. He opens his front door and lets Tony and Gibbs in. They take Michael away.

Gibbs assures Vance he didn't fail Michael.

Vance hugs his wife and tells his son Uncle Michael won't be coming back for awhile. Vance sit son the couch and invites his son to show him how to play a video game.

The Missionary Position

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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer)
Guest Stars: Jamie Lee Curtis (Dr. Samantha Ryan), Suleka Mathew (Navy Commander Maria Castro), Karina Lombard (Retired Interpol Agent Monique Lisson), Jennifer Crystal Foley (CIA Agent Constance Mazney), Shane Johnson (CIA Agent Stephen Wheeler), John Cothran Jr. (Alfred Holbrook), Ivo Nandi (Manny Varigan), Asif Ali (Phil), Danna Brady (Judy), Sarah Hudson (Navy Commander Theresa Wade), Martin Morales (Bellman)
Production Code: 206
Summary: Tony and Ziva travel to Columbia, where they are joined by Ziva's long-time mentor in the search for a missing Marine Lieutenant and Navy Chaplain.



A couple tries for their third picnic spot, but the woman's not happy. She relocates to under a tree. As she does, the spot they just left becomes the landing pad for a body falling from the sky.

Jimmy comes in to work in a trench-coat and flashes his wedding duds. A powder blue tuxedo with frilly pink shirt. They've decided to go "kitsch". They're all in the wedding, but he hasn't picked a best man yet.

Gibbs calls in with the body of the week. They find his absence suspicious.

At his house, he says good-bye to Samantha (Jaime Lee Curtis). She stayed

over. They're all glowy.

At the scene, Gibbs is running late. The victim could have fallen anywhere between 400 and several thousand feet. He's First Lt. Walter Larabee. He looks stabbed or shot in addition to his broken bones from the fall. They find a challenge coin from the chaplain corps in his pocket. It's caked with dried blood.

At the office, Gibbs meets with Navy Commander Maria Castro, a chaplain. She doesn't know Larabee, but knows Navy Commander Theresa Wade, the woman the blood on the coin was traced to.

Chaplain Wade has served multiple missions in Iraq and Afghanistan, about a month ago she went on a relief mission to Cartagena, Colombia. They haven't been able to reach her for a week. Castro is really worried about her.

In the morgue, Duckie pre-emptively rejects the best man honor – mentors make terrible wingmen. But he's psyched about the tux. Gibbs joins them. "Allow me to make my way from the horrific to the curious," Duckie says.

Larabee was beaten, stabbed and shot. He was alive when he was thrown from the aircraft. There were bullets in his vest and tiny fungi crammed in his taped shut mouth.

Time for the victim rundown. Larabee was 32 and just finished his second tour in Afghanistan. He just accepted a tour to the embassy in Colombia. His wife is pregnant with their first child.

There were three planes in the airspace over the park when Larabee was dropped: a medical transport chopper, retired air force pilot and his family and a single engine Cessna registered to Alfred Holbrook, who was busted 30 years for possession with intent to sell.

Tony and McGee inspect Holbrook's plane. He's been in a wheelchair for a year and two months since getting hit by a drunk driver. He suggests his license was stolen and his plane hasn't left the ground.

Down in the lab, Abby reports the bullets came from a Russian AK 47. The mushroom is an herbicide for cocoa plants, used only in Noreno, Colombia. Cartel country.

Upstairs, Palmer asks Ziva for advice on who to pick as his best man. She tells him to go with his gut. Ziva is waiting for a call and it comes through in MTAC. Ziva talks to her old friend Monique, who says she might know how to find Wade.

Monique is working on a school construction project. She heard the cartel is taking Americans. She's Retired Interpol Agent Monique Lisson. She has footage from the Cartagena police showing chaplain Wade and Larabee getting into a Courage Mission International van. They provide vaccines and antibiotics to villagers.

Gibbs suggests Ziva join Lisson in Colombia.

Ziva says Lisson is like a sister. She doesn't want Tony going with her, but Gibbs insists. Castro insists on going as well.

Gibbs runs into Samantha in the elevator. She says DOD knows he's on top of it. She gives him a pizza box. Inside says: "Carter's Nursery, Fairfax. See Manny."

In Colombia, Ziva, Tony and Maria check in to their hotel – they're stuck sharing a room. Monique meets them and says they have to wait until dark to travel to the village.

McGee pays Manny a visit at the nursery. He flashes his badge and Manny runs. Gibbs stops him with a trash can lid. Manny is a drug smuggler set up by the government after flipping. He says a drug run from Cartagena would be \$50,000.

Then he says he's doing flights for the CIA. He flew down empty and flew back with medical canister filled with vials of blood. But he says he can prove he didn't fly yesterday.

In Colombia, Monique tells Ziva stories at a sidewalk restaurant. They are interrupted by a drive by shooter. They take cover and are unharmed.

They talk to Gibbs in MTAC, Monique insists she wasn't followed. Tony is suspicious of her.

Later at night, Tony talks to Maria. He asks her why she insisted on coming with them. Chaplain Wade's assignment to bring immunizations to the local villagers was supposed to be hers. She feels responsible.

Back in NCIS, McGee confirms Manny the mule's alibi on a school trip with his son. Gibbs wonders why Samantha gave him his name.

Gibbs pays her a visit, saying her tip got them nowhere. She swears she didn't know about Colombia until he got involved. She says she can't help it, she hears things and starts digging. She thinks it's possible Wade and Larabee stumbled on to something. She suggests he bring his team home. She says she doesn't know what happened to the missionaries they were traveling with.

McGee called their number and got a recording.

Gibbs wants answers. McGee runs two names from Wade's emails: Stephen Wheeler and Constance Mazney. He runs them and finds they both have blocked government files.

Palmer visits Abby in the lab and asks her to be his Best Woman. She's thrilled.

Gibbs joins them. The AK 47 that killed Larabee is the weapon of choice of the Lazaro cartel which operates where the missionaries were heading with vaccines.

Monique and Ziva talk a walk. Monique confesses she's involved with something she can't get out of and she wants to protect Ziva. She tells Ziva to go home and accept they can't solve the case. Monique warns her she could end up dead if she doesn't.

In the office, McGee breaks through the files on Wheeler and Mazney, the people who guided Larabee and Wade into the mountains. They're not missionaries; they're CIA.

Gibbs takes their names to Samantha, who says the vaccinations are a ruse to take blood samples of the cartel to connect the families by DNA. There really are vaccines, but Wade and Larabee didn't know what they were up to.

Gibbs tells her to just tell him up front next time.

Ziva tells Monique about the CIA. She says she doesn't know any more than that.

Tony and Ziva resolve to find the CIA.

Two people race into their van, on the run. Ziva and Monique pop out of the back. The CIA people say the chaplains were there as cover. The cartel made an example out of Larabee. They assume Wade is dead, but Ziva isn't ready to give up. "What do you guys have in mind?" Mazney asks. "Bang," says Ziva.

Cut to news footage of a cartel warehouse fire in Cartagena. They video conference with Tony and Ziva in a van – they have Wade and are on their way to the airfield with Monique.

At the airfield, Monique says she's staying behind. She still won't tell Ziva what she's up to.

Gibbs answers his front door. He invites Samantha in for a beer. He's still a little bitter she kept things from him. Samantha says Lisson has information she needs and has screwed her over the years. Samantha knew Lisson was involved from day one.

He asks her if she's staying. She doesn't have a sitter. They cuddle on the couch.

Rekindled

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Guest Stars: Gaius Charles (Baltimore Detective Jason King), Peter Kelamis (Bruce Johnson), Peter MacKenzie (Jack Murdoch), James Hanlon (Baltimore Fire Captain James Marsh), Patrick Stafford (Billy Wayne), Louise Griffiths (Mary Gardocki), Michael Lesly (Fireman #1), Dani Dare (Young Jason)
Production Code: 207
Summary: Tony faces a boy from his past when missing classified Navy documents are found after a warehouse fire, prompting the NCIS team to join the Baltimore police department investigation.



A fire rages in a warehouse and crews manage to get it under control. With the fire finally out, they find a body. They call for the arson unit and then notice a classified file.

Ziva and McGee report to the scene. The warehouse is owned by United Equinox, an electronics company that makes modems and toaster ovens. The company also worked on top secret weapons systems.

Jason King of the Baltimore PD arson unit recognizes Tony, he just switched

from homicide. They don't seem friendly.

Duckie examines the charred victim. Jason thinks the fire was started near the victim with a flare. He corrects Tony at every chance and directs them to an empty fire drawer with a busted lock.

Security shows the last person to enter the premises did so at 4:03 a.m. – 40 minutes before the fire was reported. Carter Plimpton was a civilian but Gibbs calls it an NCIS case.

Back at the lab, they confirm the victim was Plimpton, a product systems analyst. Tony explains he met Jason once 20 years ago when Jason was nine years old.

Gibbs comes in and posts a picture of the Phantom 8, part of the Navy's Watcher group – including the guy who shot Tony and was hunting EJ. Two of them were murdered in the last nine months – make that three, Plimpton was part of the black ops group.

In the morgue, Jason King snaps photo while Duckie dissects. Duckie finds the whole thing unusual. Plimpton's skin was doubly burned – he was tortured with the road flare on one side of his body, which means the killer got what he wanted.

McGee and Ziva visit the United Equinox factory where the supervisor says Carter did product testing. He says the warehouse didn't have anything top secret in it. He hasn't heard of Watcher Fleet.

Gibbs joins Abby in the lab where she's watching "Myth Busters" play with thermite reaction. She found some on the victim. It burns through metal, but had an added component to slow the burn.

Tony walks Jason to the elevator, but he doesn't want to talk. "This means you haven't forgiven me about your sister?" Tony says. "That's exactly what it means," Jason says.

McGee tells Gibbs he hacked the Naval Intelligence Database and found a Watcher file for a project called Aquamarine. There was a file with the same name in the warehouse. The project was initiated four years ago, when Carter was with Watcher Fleet.

He left in 2008 to work at United Equinox.

Back at the big screen, McGee gets a hit on arsonist Billy Wayne, who used termite in his crimes. He's in prison. They bring him to interview.

He says you don't need termite to burn paper, it was used to send a message or for fun. He thinks someone was practicing for a bigger event.

He developed a recipe for slow-burning thermite and told Janice, who's writing a book about him. She visited him last week.

Down in the lab, Abby shows Jason her termite tests. He tells her he got into arson because he was in a fire as a kid and they never caught the guy.

McGee gets an alert about a suspicious blaze on a cargo ship less than a mile from the warehouse.

At the scene, there are no injuries but tarps on top of a cargo hold burned. The hold was empty. The solid steel deck showed signs of heat fatigue – termite.

Jason follows his nose down into the hold, following the ship's wiring. He follows it to the fuse box. When he checks it, sparks and a fire quickly spreads along the wiring. Jason shoves Tony out of the room and seals the airlock door. The fire quickly burns out. Jason says it was a trap and now they're even.

Back in the lab, Abby tells Gibbs the source of the flash fire wasn't a bomb. Someone set a small termite charge in the junction box, causing the insulation in the wires to carbonize. That's not supposed to happen, the wiring is flawed. It could have spread to the whole ship if Jason hadn't sealed it in. Whoever set the fire knew the wiring was flawed. It was made by United Equinox.

McGee and Gibbs meet with the United Equinox boss Jack Murdoch. They have hacked memos from Plimpton to the boss requesting an inquiry. Murdoch says the chance of something going wrong was very low. He says there weren't enough proven cases of "flash over" to legally warrant a warning or recall.

They explain the arsonist knew about it. He says they installed it in civilian uses only four years ago. He says again he's never heard of Watcher Fleet.

Ziva and McGee notice Tony acting strangely. They show him a picture from the paper of him carrying young Jason out of a fire.

Tony explains he was in Baltimore for the Final Four and was out for a walk at night and saw smoke and heard a scream coming out of a townhouse. He went in. They think he should be proud.

He says it was more complicated than that.

Flash back to Tony going into a townhouse in flames and following cries for help. He found Jason in the closet and started to carry him out. They were in the hallway when Jason heard his sister and yelled for Tony to help her, but the ceiling collapsed. Tony had to choose to save Jason or risk all of them dying trying to save his four-year-old sister.

Gibbs interrupts for a report.

They have a phone record of a call Billy the firebug made from prison to Mary Gardocki aka "Janice".

Gibbs sees the news clipping and tells Tony that he helped when others didn't.

Gibbs meets with Mary in interview. She's a sales rep for a chemical company and sells napalm, which is legal. Gibbs shows her a photo of the Watcher Fleet. She's heard of them but never met them.

Gibbs examines her closely and then removes her scarf. She's burned. She says she's using Billy to develop a slower burning thermite to make money. She says she didn't kill anyone and has been in a burn center for the last three days.

They confirm her alibi.

Ziva checked the civilian ships with the faulty wiring and found there were no reported problems.

They're stumped. Abby calls.

In the lab, Jason and Abby tell Gibbs they found ammonium phosphate is the secret ingredient. The brand of retardant the arsonist used is sold only to the forest service. They're checking the buyers against known arsonists and get a hit. Jason recognizes him as the fire department site inspector from both scenes.

Gibbs is irritated Jason didn't realize sooner the man was an impostor.

They race up to Bruce Johnson's house and stop him in his car. He immediately says he wants a deal. He says the guy who hired him wanted Plimpton's information on bad wiring. He claims he didn't mean to kill him but Carter wouldn't talk.

Gibbs barks at Bruce to turn off his car. He assesses the situation and asks again for a deal. He turns the car off and the car explodes. Jason wants to help him, but the car is engulfed in flames and Tony holds him back.

Ziva found the missing file in his house. It's a list of every navy warship that contains the faulty wiring. They did sell it to the Navy.

The current Watcher Fleet has been working to retrofit the ships but only a third have been fixed.

Back at the office, they hit the phones to notify everyone and bolster security. "Aquamarine" was top secret to protect the Navy, so who knew?

Tony goes to talk to Jason, who accuses him of giving up on saving Bruce Johnson. Tony gets in the elevator and tells Jason he has learned you can't save everyone. Tony became a cop because he saved Jason and liked making a difference. He tells Jason to focus on the ones he can still save.

Gibbs wonders if the Watcher Fleet microchips could have had info on the wiring flaws. McGee says it's possible, but they think they're all accounted for.

At sea on the USS Brewer A sailor sees lights from inside the Machine Room and goes to investigate. He doesn't get far before the door explodes.

Playing With Fire

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Guest Stars: Joel Gretsch (NCIS Special Agent Stan Burley), Nigel Gibbs (Admiral Theodore Tully), Elizabeth Ho (NCIS Analyst Emma Park), James Harvey Ward (Andre Fullerton), Rick Peters (Vincent Maple), Karina Logue (Mrs. Johnson), Dan Martin (Mail Carrier), Rob Nagle (Wayne Usher), Patrick Faucette (Security Guard), Tony Christopher (Seaman), Maggie Henry (Seaman Apprentice), Richard Schiff (Harper Dearing), Robert Sloan (Tobey Abbott)
Production Code: 208
Summary: The NCIS team investigates a fire on a U.S. Navy ship which leads them to a revelation that threatens the security of all U.S. Navy facilities worldwide. Meanwhile, Tony and Ziva travel to Italy to investigate an explosive device that was found on a Navy ship.



U.S.S. Brewer at sea A sailor checks his phone, looking at family photos. He drops it under the stairs. Meanwhile, a man rigs an electrical box with a small charge.

The sailor gets his phone and the man lights his charge. The wires ignite, but the man can't get out of the room because the sailor is blocking his exit. He goes for an escape hatch, but the room blows.

In MTAC, Admiral Theodore Tully briefs everyone on the threat to the ships. He's glad the casualties weren't worse; but Gibbs doesn't think it's over. Vance is away at a NATO conference until the end of the week.

McGee preps to hop a flight to the Brewer, which will be back in Norfolk tomorrow.

They have no leads on their dead arsonist Bruce Johnson.

In the morgue, Duckie has a personal matter but tells Gibbs it can wait. Duckie doesn't have much from Johnson's body.

Gibbs visits Abby in the garage with Johnson's car. She went through Johnson's cross cut shredder and found a document with Korean characters. She can't reconstruct the document, but wonders if it means N. Korea was behind the attacks.

Ziva promises someone they'll reschedule and they can try to get their deposit back.

NCIS Analyst Emma Park drops by and reports no N. Korean chatter. She knows about Ziva's weekend plans.

Gibbs and Tony talk to McGee aboard the Brewer in MTAC. The victims were Erik Ramsey, the sailor, and Tobey Abbott, a civilian with Norton Turbine following up repairs to the ship's power plant. McGee suggests they have to consider Abbott a suspect. McGee pauses to hurl, wracked with sea sickness.

Tony and Ziva visit the arsonist's widow, who scoffs at the idea he knew Korean. They were getting divorced.

They talk to the postman, who says Johnson was getting mail from Switzerland.

Duckie drops by Gibbs' house. Duckie confesses he's come in to a lot of money from his mother's passing. Duckie's redoing his will and wants Gibbs to be his executor. Gibbs would be honored.

U.S.S. Brewer Gibbs and Duckie board the Brewer in port. McGee joins Tony and Ziva in Abbott's quarters. They find an envelope from Switzerland with a letter in Korean inside. Even McGee knows Ziva's weekend plans.

Back in the office, Emma Park tells Admiral Tully and Gibbs the Korean is jibberish. She's checking to see if it's a code.

In the office, Tony finds Abbott wanted to join the Navy but got rejected twice.

In Abby's lab, she knows Tony is going nuts not knowing about Ziva's weekend. It's just Pilates weekend with her landlord. Abby finds the residue from the Brewer fire was the same as in the other fires.

The magazine locker was right below where the fire ignited. If the room had gone, it could have sunk the whole ship. Instead the tanks in the machine room ignited and the explosion created a vacuum.

She checked the Swiss-Korean envelope for DNA but doesn't have results yet.

Ziva talks to Abbott's boss, who says Abbott lobbied for the assignment.

Duckie gets choked up thinking about Ramsey's family.

In MTAC, Gibbs and Tony talk to NCIS Special Agent Stan Burley, who's in Naples, Italy and just got the faulty wiring alert. The Benjamin Franklin is coming in to port. He found a thermite device in the warehouse that would resupply the Franklin – a nuclear aircraft carrier.

Tony and Ziva head to Italy.

Gibbs wakes Abby up in the lab, where she slept on the floor and McGee sleep on the computer. They broke the code on the Korean message – which was a simple code, typed on an English keyboard but printed in Korean. It gave Abbot instructions on when, where and how to attack the Brewer.

Naples, Italy Burley greets them. The Benjamin Franklin is in port. They swapped the thermite out of the device and the three of them are going undercover on board to wait to see who comes to arm it. There are 32 civilians onboard.

Duckie brings Gibbs his will. Most of his estate is going to the Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation.

On the Franklin, Burley and Tony stake out the room with the bomb. Ziva brings food, but Tony's feeling seasick. They see someone approach. A man goes into the room they're guarding and checks his instructions.

Burley waits as the man cuts into a sealed palette, going for the bait. But the man hears something and picks up his knife and hurls it. Burley makes a noise like he's hit. Tony and Ziva go in. They find burley down, but still breathing. His weapon is gone.

The suspect creeps around with Burley's gun. Tony and Ziva close in on him and Tony clocks him with a chain.

In MTAC, Gibbs sees that Burley is OK.

The suspect is Andre Fullerton, a tech rep with an Avionics Communications firm. Gibbs tells Fullerton he has no rights and they're invoking the Patriot Act to fly him to Guantanamo as a terrorist.

Gibbs asks who hired him.

Fullerton says the man's name is Harper Dearing, but Fullerton never met him in person. All he knows is he had a slight Southern drawl. He did it for the money. Gibbs orders Fullerton brought back for trial.

McGee checks Southern Harper Dearings and finds one (Richard Schiff) born in Georgia who is the CEO of Dorado Hills Investments, a venture capital group, and lives in Virginia.

Gibbs sets Abby on comparing his DNA to the code envelope.

Abby finds Gibbs cleaning his weapon in her lab, waiting for her. Dearing had a son in the Navy, she had his DNA compared to the envelope. There's a familial match. Gibbs takes off.

Gibbs and a team head to Dorado Hills Investments to arrest Dearing. Vincent Maple, the company president, greets them. He doesn't know where Dearing is – he hasn't seen or heard from him in over a year.

In the office, Gibbs calls everyone to attention and puts Harper Dearing on their Most Wanted wall.

Up In Smoke (1)

Season 9
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Season Episode: 23

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Recurring Role:	Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer), Jamie Lee Curtis (Samantha Ryan)
Guest Stars:	Matt Jones (Probationary Agent Ned Dorneget), Richard Schiff (Harper Dearing), Rick Peters (Vincent Maple), Jason Gray-Stanford (Dr. Jay Berman), Dimiter D. Marinov (Ghenna Kozlov), Loren Lester (Dr. Edgar Cromwell), Dylan Kenn (Freddie Fountain)
Production Code:	209
Summary:	The team's search for a terrorist targeting the Navy takes a bizarre turn when a high-tech bug is found in Probationary Agent Ned Dorneget's tooth.



Probationary Agent Ned Dorneget gets his implant pulled. The doctor finds it's not actually a regular implant – it's a listening device. "Wait, somebody bugged my mouth?" he says.

Palmer comes up looking for intel on his bachelor party Abby planned. McGee tells him to be up on his hepatitis vaccinations and get a good helmet. Tony suggests kneepads. They don't actually have any idea what she's up to.

Dorneget comes in with his tooth. Abby examines it. Dorneget says it was there for years, but a couple of weeks ago he got a call from a dentist, not his usual

one, saying there was a recall on his implant. When he got a popcorn kernel stuck it recently he went to a new guy to have it dealt with.

The tooth bug had a short range, but used the pressure of his chewing to stay charged. It's fancy tech and Abby checks for a patent. She finds ones from 18 months ago filed by Harper Dearing.

They're after Dearing for the arsons exploiting bad ship wiring. Samantha Ryan (Jamie Lee Curtis) shows up with NSA intercepts of Dearing's last communications with the venture capital firm President Vincent Maple.

Tony and Ziva visit Vincent Maple and show him his email from Dearing in which Dearing mentions surfing somewhere he once went with Maple. Maple says it never happened and he's on their side, he suggests Dearing is losing it.

Sam and Gibbs talk to the dentist who put in Dorneget's new implant, Dr. Berman. He says he didn't know there was a bug in the tooth and he doesn't know Dearing, but Sam says he's lying about both things. McGee interrupts, saying Dearing is on the phone for Berman.

They take him to MTAC. Dearing gives Berman permission to answer their questions, but says he's calling to speak to Gibbs. Dearing says "this is all his fault."

Tony and Ziva come in to see agents sweeping the whole building for bugs. They want to know how he knew Berman was there and how he broke through MTAC's firewall. Sam thinks he's a sociopathic paranoid narcissist.

Palmer walks by on the phone with Brinna, telling her he doesn't know why Abby asked him what kind of tattoo he wants to get.

McGee reports Berman says he was threatened to implant the bug and got \$10,000 for it. He has a description of the man who approached him.

Sam checks that Gibbs knows it's not really his fault, although it seems clear Dearing believes it.

Palmer goes to Abby, trying to convince her to postpone his bachelor party. She says she already put down a non-refundable deposit on 50 gallons of scented body lotion.

She runs Dearing's face through facial recognition and gets a live hit. He's in a Navy yard sitting openly on a park bench. NCIS locks it down but doesn't find him. He came in with only a briefcase.

They see he left a flower on the bench. Gibbs sees it came from a nearby bush and walks over. He finds a model of his boat, down to the name and rudder.

Later that night, Sam admits she likes Dearing's style. "Of course you do, it's yours," Gibbs says.

Gibbs and Ryan try to suss out his motivation. She mentions that Dearing's son was killed in a suicide attack on a Navy ship. There was an early warning system that could have stopped it, but it hadn't been replaced yet on his ship.

Sam thinks Dearing is trying to teach the Navy a lesson. She thinks Dearing has more plans for Gibbs.

Gibbs asks Sam how long she's known about Dearing's son. He's frustrated again about her keeping secrets. "You want me to let you in, then let me in," she says.

Tony calls with a report that they found the car of the guy who bullied Berman. It's registered to Frederick Fountain, a former cop who served time for taking bribes. Tony thinks he interrupted Gibbs with Sam.

Gibbs pops in the back seat.

They see Fountain and chase him. They catch him quickly and he says he'll tell them anything, even about the next attack, if they get him out of there. But then two shots ring out and Fountain is shot dead.

Down in the morgue, Duckie tells Palmer that Abby asked to borrow the rotary saw for his bachelor party.

Abby found traces of RDX explosive from under Fountain's fingernails. The bullets shattered on impact. Duckie shows Gibbs a Watcher Fleet microchip he found in Fountain's arm that was recently put in.

The microchip is the same one that was in Agent Leven's arm last year. The info on it is in code. It shows balance sheets from Dearing's company showing purchase of building materials.

Gibbs and Ryan bring a hard copy of it to Maple. He says they have no record of the purchases. He looks at the items and suggests Dearing is either building something for the spaceship or Naval artillery shells.

Ryan thinks of something. One of the weaknesses the Watcher fleet found was that some guns that used RDX could explode if the right artillery wasn't used. They could take out half of their fleet just during exercises.

Back in the lab, Abby runs simulations that show how bad the explosions could be. Dorneget tells Gibbs he found an encryption key while doing data entry on his tooth bug. The key is how Dearing hacked MTAC. They traced it to a cell phone.

Gibbs dials the number and Dearing answers, knowing it's Gibbs. Gibbs asks Dearing what his son would think of what he's doing. Abby runs a trace. Dorneget recognizes the address from the shipping manifest. They think they've found his warehouse.

The team heads there, guns drawn, but finds an empty warehouse with just a security guard inside. He's pushing a briefcase full of cash.

Back at the office, they send out alerts about the defective artillery. The security guard has no record, but he had \$1 million in cash.

In interrogation, he insists he had no idea what was in it. He got a small case once a month and a truck would come pick it up. He got a text to deliver the case to an address tonight.

They check the guard's cell and finds it's registered to a Dearing holding company. They want to use the guard for a sting and have him deliver the case as planned.

Abby comes in in a circus master of ceremonies sequined outfit and mustache, ready for the bachelor party. They think it's canceled, but Gibbs says it's not.

Cut to the team doing shots in a bar and playing quarters. Gibbs is winning, naturally. Ziva watches over the guard out on the street as the guys drink it up inside.

Jimmy makes a toast. "As Nathaniel Hawthorne once said: 'Let man tremble at the hand of woman....' Blah, blah, blah – alcohol is fun."

Tony checks with Dorneget; they're drinking apple juice. Palmer stumbles. The limo pulls up outside and they converge on it. They find Vincent Maple inside.

Back at interrogation. They found him with no bags, a fake ID and a one-way ticket to Morocco. He insists he doesn't know where Dearing is.

He confesses there was no equipment, he set up a dummy account to siphon money out of Dearing's company. "I was embezzling, that's it," he says. He reminds them the faulty artillery was Ryan's idea and he just went with it.

"The real question you should be asking is how'd you get a copy of my books?" he asks.

Back in the office, they go back over Fountain. They found his car thanks to a tip, which they traced to Dearing. He wanted them to find Fountain and the chip. They think Dearing knew Maple was embezzling and used it to send them on a wild goose chase.

Gibbs goes to Sam with a stern face. He wonders if her defective artillery theory was really a mistake. She asks him what he's insinuating. He gets frustrated that he can read everyone but her. For such an intuitive introvert, she knows it drives him nuts.

Gibbs gets a text from Dearing saying "Check." He calls Tony. Director Vance has disappeared.

Till Death Do Us Part (2)

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Recurring Role: Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer), Jamie Lee Curtis (Samantha Ryan)
Guest Stars: Scott Wolf (Jonathan Cole), Richard Schiff (Harper Dearing), Michelle Pierce (Breena Slater), Sheila Kelley (Victoria Dearing), Daniel Polo (Parker Ryan), Cassius Willis (NCIS Special Agent Russell Wallace), Debbie Jaffee (Waitress)
Production Code: 210
Summary: Terrorism threatens to shake the foundations of the Navy and NCIS, when the team continues to be eluded by the newest member of the NCIS Most Wanted Wall. Meanwhile, Jimmy Palmer's destination wedding is impacted by the case.



Teams go over Director Vance's abandoned car. They're nowhere near his house and his phone is in the car.

His security man Wallace tells Gibbs that Vance insisted on driving himself home but he seemed fine.

Leon wakes up in an open casket in a tomb, lying next to a desiccated corpse with a note pinned to it: "Your king is vulnerable."

Gibbs checks in with Sec-Nav. McGee checks all street cameras.

Sam Ryan (Jamie Lee Curtis) drops by. "Are you just visiting or do you already know something I don't?" Gibbs

asks. She's just there to offer her help.

Vance calls Gibbs.

They go pick him up. He remembers leaving the Navy yard and being flagged down by three people claiming car trouble. He was injected with something.

The land belongs to the Whitting family, the body belonged to a man who died on the same ship as Dearing's son 10 years ago.

There was a giant jawbone from the equine family in the tomb. Sam recognizes it as Biblical. Sampson in Judges 15. "And he finds a new jawbone of an ass, put forth his hand.... slew a thousand men."

Duckie and Palmer go over the well-preserved remains of Whitting. He and Evan died in a terrorist attack against a weak section of the hull. Whitting was on the same deck where the bomb hit.

Duckie suggests if Whitting was the first to suffer, Dearing might be pointing at who will suffer next: NCIS.

Upstairs, Tony wonders about the chances of them making it to Palmer's wedding. Gibbs wants an old case file from 12 years ago involving a prank.

Gibbs drops by Sam's office and finds her son Parker there alone. Parker immediately grills him on how much Gibbs likes his mom, on a scale of 1 to 10. Parker knows about Gibbs' wood working. Sam comes in.

Gibbs wants more on Evan Dearing, Harper's son. He wants to try to exploit Harper's weaknesses.

In the lab, Abby is overcome by the idea that they might all miss Palmer's wedding. She got DNA from the horse jawbone and narrowed it to two thoroughbred breeds.

McGee and Tony pour through old case files for the prank. It involved a "steamy liaison" between a male and female officer, someone taped it and played it for the whole crew. The guy who filmed it was discharged, but the others were reassigned. One was Evan Dearing.

Harper pulled strings to have his record expunged. After the prank, Evan was reassigned to the ship where he was killed. They think Dearing is targeting NCIS now in retaliation.

The case agent, Larson, is retired now and lives on a horse farm.

Gibbs and the team reach the farm and Gibbs notices the horses are spooked. There are groceries in the truck and the engine is warm. Gibbs calls out to Larson.

His house explodes.

Later, with crews on the site, Larson's body is taken from the smoldering house. They find a video camera nearby. It filmed them arriving and looking around and then Harper Dearing turned it on himself and says that some people need to learn from their mistakes.

He claims that by pointing out the wiring flaws and "sacrificing" a few he has saved thousands of lives. But now that he's done that, it's about payback for his son.

Gibbs watches the tape with Vance. The Navy is on red alert. Gibbs plans to talk to Dearing's ex-wife.

Vance is burning from Dearing grabbing him. Gibbs urges him to hit back hard.

Downstairs, they learn that after Evan died Victoria Dearing sought counseling and Harper started drinking and became violent. They divorced two years later.

Abby politely interrupts and asks for everyone if there's any chance they'll make it for Jimmy's wedding. Gibbs' silence is their answer.

Down in the morgue, Jimmy asks Duckie if he should cancel the wedding. Duckie essentially tells him that would be letting the terrorists win. Duckie promises to be there.

Gibbs talks to Victoria Dearing. She remembers Harper was angry at the Navy and thinks he believes someone has to pay for taking away their son.

Gibbs visits Sam again. She shows him her super fancy computer, programmed for getting in people's heads. She's working up Dearing, including finding people he might trust or distrust.

One suggested ally is Jonathan Cole (Scott Wolf) from the Phantom Eight. He must have sold Dearing the microchip. She knows Dearing tried to hire Cole at one point, she suggests setting Cole up to get freed from prison and work for Dearing now.

Dearing calls Sam. He knows about her ex-husband "where he is and how he got there."

We see he's outside a boy's prep school as he starts talking to her about her son Parker.

Later, cops surround Parker's school. Dearing didn't go near him and that concerns Sam; he's finding their vulnerabilities.

At the office, Palmer worked through the night with Duckie and they're getting on a plane in two hours.

Ziva got him fine Israeli cotton sheets, McGee got him a long range video camera for when he's stuck at work and Tony gives him a re-gifted DVD.

Cole is brought in. Gibbs and Sam sit with him in interrogation as he enjoys freedom potato chips. They show him photos of the wiring fires and point out he made Dearing's acts possible by selling him the microchip. He claims to know things about Dearing, but Sam can tell he's lying.

They tell him they want him to go work for Dearing. He jumps at the chance to be free for awhile, saying the fact he could die isn't the catch, it's the fun.

They arrange to make it look like Cole escaped. Tony also told Victoria about him, thinking she knows more than she's saying and might contact Harper.

Abby reports that the accelerant at Larson's house doesn't match any of the other fires. Gibbs gets an urgent text from Sam and goes to her office.

Her ex was released from prison today on a bogus technicality. She says he was in prison for a good reason, "he hurts people."

She's afraid he'll come after her. She thinks Dearing bought the judge and played her. She fights back tears as she tells Gibbs she's taking her son and leaving. He tells her leaving isn't the answer, but she goes.

At night in the office, Tony and Ziva try to convince themselves they're not sorry to miss Palmer's wedding. Tony doesn't know what he'd do if he had to face all the trappings of a wedding. "Elope?" Ziva asks.

Dearing just emailed Cole. "Where Golden Eagle's rest tomorrow at 8 a.m." Golden Eagles are retired Navy pilots, they're talking about a coffee shop where they go.

Jimmy drops by Breena's room on the morning of their wedding. He tells her he feels like he should be back at NCIS helping them. He suggests they get married now and then he'll go back and after they'll have a big party and go on a honeymoon. She agrees.

NCIS stakes out the coffee shop. Cole sits down for coffee and the waitress gives him something from a messenger. It's a cell phone. It rings.

Dearing tells Cole to tell Gibbs that he was never really interested in Director Vance. He was interested in justice.

Back in the office, they try to figure out Dearing's next move. They figure he drove Sam away so she couldn't guess. Vance is on his way to meet with Sec-Nav.

They replay the background audio from Dearing's call to Cole and hear bells from the Navy chapel and other noises outside their own building. He's nearby.

Gibbs recaps what was found in Vance's car. Nothing. But they didn't strip it down. Dearing was after Vance's car, not Vance. It's parked right outside NCIS.

Gibbs calls for evacuation and the bomb squad. Cole reminds him he worked bomb disposal. Gibbs takes a minute to decide if he can trust Cole and decides he can.

Outside, people run in all directions. Gibbs undoes Cole's cuffs. They open the car.

Inside, McGee downloads his computer on a flash drive and Vance barks at him to get out.

Cole and Gibbs tear the car apart.

Ziva and Tony clear the building inside.

Outside, Gibbs sees a small red wire under the upholstery. They slice it open and find tons of C4. Cole tells Gibbs to get clear. "It's not the danger, it's the fun," Cole tells him.

Gibbs sees Abby inside nearby in her lab and goes inside.

Cole doesn't have a chance to get started before the phone rings with the message "For Evan." The car explodes.

Gibbs throws himself over Abby in the lab, McGee is totally exposed upstairs as the windows blast in and Tony and Ziva are thrown to the floor together in the elevator.

Walking along the beach alone, Duckie gets a call.

"Dear God, how many?" He says he'll be there right away. He starts to have trouble speaking, he falls to his knees, clearly having a heart attack or stroke. He falls, not breathing, in the surf.

Season Ten

Extreme Prejudice

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Recurring Role: Michael Nouri (Mossad Director Eli David), Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Matt Craven (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis)
Guest Stars: Heather Stephens (Lorraine), Javier Grajeda (Dr. Kelly Whelan), Roberta Hanlen (Joann Dearing), Richard Schiff (Harper Dearing), Jossie Thacker (Nurse Wanda Dupree)
Production Code: 211
Summary: Harper Dearing's latest act of terrorism ripped through NCIS headquarters in last season's cliffhanger finale, sparking a cross-agency manhunt for the criminal mastermind.



May 15, 2012 Duckie gets checked out in the hospital. He had a heart attack. Palmer found him on the beach and is still there. Duckie asks about NCIS, but Palmer hasn't been able to reach anyone.

Outside NCIS at the scene of the bomb blast, crews go over the wreckage and tend to the wounded and dead. Abby is OK, so is Gibbs. Vance, too.

The Secretary of the Navy is there. He wants a plan of action. The FBI will be assisting in the search of Dearing. Gibbs goes to find the rest of his team.

Ziva and Tony are stuck in the elevator. Ziva sits on Tony's shoulders and

bangs on the ceiling, but it's jammed shut. The elevator slips. Tony's sweating, it's hot in there. Ziva gets a call from her father, offering to help find Harper Dearing.

Gibbs checks out the office, with papers everywhere and the ceiling dropped in places. There's dust everywhere and McGee is in a daze. He mentions he's hot and Gibbs notices there's a giant piece of glass sticking out of McGee's side.

In his hospital bed, Duckie insists on getting back to DC. He tries to say he's capable of assisting, but realizes he's not. He tells Palmer to go back and help. "They need you more," Duckie says.

Agent Fornell joins Vance, Gibbs and Sec-Nav, on the phone with the president. McGee is fine with a few stitches.

Sec-Nav explains they've been instructed to locate Harper Dearing and pursue him with "extreme prejudice." Failure is not an option.

Still stuck in the elevator, Ziva and Tony think of worse cowkers they could be stuck with. Then Ziva realizes one of them could be dead. Finally, rescuers pry the doors open.

At Gibbs' house, he and Fornell share beers. Gibbs thinks Dearing hurt his "family." Luckily, Fornell brought cannoli. Gibbs worries about what they do if Dearing just disappears, but Fornell is determined to go after him.

Meanwhile, on a street somewhere, Dearing watches news footage of his attack on TV screens in an electronic store. A woman walks up to him and says the attack makes her feel lucky. She introduces herself as Lorraine and asks if he wants to go somewhere. She takes him home, climbs onto her bed and turns on slow jams. He excuses himself to the restroom.

Then she takes the gun out from under her covers and lets the FBI SWAT team in the front door. They open fire on the bathroom, but it's empty.

She sees a ringing phone in a bag on the floor, counting down and saying "you're dead in..." The room explodes.

The next morning, Fornell is wounded over the loss of his team. Ziva points out Dearing is no longer taunting them, they're taunting him. Gibbs gets a look "Uh, I know that look. That's the stay-up-all-night-take-one-for-the-team-I-got-a-plan look," Tony says to Gibbs. Gibbs wants to take the fight to Dearing and make him keep playing.

The news says the FBI arrested Victoria Dearing, Harper's ex-wife. Gibbs tells Vance that they have her under protection out of state.

Vance is worried. He feels guilty that he drove the car with the bomb into the NCIS yard. Gibbs notes that Dearing wants Vance to be wracked with just that guilt and he has to be stronger than that.

Abby sweeps up angrily in her lab. She's upset and a little freaked out.

In the office, Tony asks Gibbs if he's talked to Samantha Ryan since the attack.

Vance summons Gibbs into MTAC. McGee is there. Harper is on the monitor and angry about them accusing his wife. He thinks he's a whistleblower, exposing flaws.

McGee traces his signal as Dearing tells them there's no better player than a man who has nothing to lose. Dearing is parked in an abandoned parking lot off Route 9. They check with Sec-Nav and send the coordinates to a team. They check satellite imagery and see the car is hot with one person in it. They watch and listen as the team surrounds the car. It explodes before they reach it. They think Dearing just blew himself up.

In the morgue, Palmer goes over the remains from the car, freaking out from lack of sleep and no Duckie. Abby lurks. Gibbs, Vance and Fornell come in for an update. He gave a tissue sample and Abby is lurking outside awaiting DNA results. She reports it's a 50% match. They think they have him.

July 10, 2012 Duckie comes back to NCIS, which is still being cleaned up. He hears the doubt in Gibbs' voice when he mentions Dearing's death.

Inside, Joann Dearing, Harper's sister-in-law, drops by. She's been traveling in Europe as a personal assistant. Gibbs talks to her. No one claimed Harper's body. Her husband Lawrence was Harper's brother, he died four months ago of a heart attack. He was buried in the private family ceremony. "So Harper had access to his brother's remains?" Gibbs asks.

Down in the morgue, Duckie notices tiny fractures in the victim's ribs, evidence of CPR, like what would be performed on a heart attack victim. The body is Lawrence Dearing. Harper Dearing is still alive.

Upstairs, Abby explains that Dearing rigged the car so the body would be warm and look alive. They put out BOLOs on Harper.

Tony looks into Joann Dearing's finances. She has a new \$250,000 in her bank account. Days after the car exploded her cell phone made calls in rural West Virginia, where she also purchased gas.

Gibbs has her brought back in. She plays dumb but Gibbs yells. She tells him that after Harper was reported dead, she came from work to find him in her living room. Gibbs asks where Dearing is.

Cut to teams storming a cabin in the woods. There are barrels of thermite, photos of Gibbs and his team and plans for all his bombs. Gibbs thinks Dearing wanted them to know he was finished.

Tony notices a trap door in the floor, it's how he got out.

Down in his empty basement, Gibbs takes measurements. Vance drops by. Forensics linked everything in the tunnel to Dearing. Gibbs has an idea, but he knows Vance won't like it. He offers to go after Dearing alone.

Gibbs explains that it's not about bombs and ships anymore, Dearing knows what he did and he knows what has to happen next. He's waiting for Gibbs in the house where he and Victoria raised Evan, where his important memories are. He wants them to be his last. Vance agrees to let Gibbs go. "For the record, if anything should happen?" Vance asks. "Kill him," Gibbs says. "Glad to."

Back at NCIS, Gibbs packs up. Ziva is infuriated that Gibbs is going alone. He tells them to watch out for each other.

Gibbs drives up to Dearing's house in his pick-up. He goes inside and hears Dearing's son's voice coming from the cassette player.

Dearing casually brews coffee for Gibbs as he arrives. He offers him Scotch.

"I'm glad you came, Gibbs. I was hoping you'd figure it out, eventually," Dearing says. He compares his feelings to Gibbs' for his late daughter.

Dearing thinks he and Gibbs are a lot like. He knows what Gibbs did for his family and that Gibbs has a job to do. Dearing turns his back on Gibbs and stands by a window sill with a gun on it. "Do I have regrets? Yea, some. But maybe things happen for a reason," Dearing says.

Gibbs takes out a knife, Dearing goes for the gun. He turns on Gibbs and Gibbs stabs him through the gut.

September 25, 2012 Back in the NCIS yard, Gibbs checks out the new memorial to the May attacks. We hear Evan and Harper on a tape, Evan talking about wanting to protect the country. "I'm really proud I'm doing this, dad," Evan says. "Yea, so am I," says Harper.

Recovery

Season 10
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Season Episode: 2

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Guest Stars: Steve Valentine (Miles Wolf), Jessica Collins (Judy Ford), Daniel Louis Rivas (Kyle Davis), Robb Derringer (Jon Phelps), Emily Chang (Phyllis Moss), Anna Osceola (Navy Ensign Grace Watkins), Larry Bagby (Craig Wilson), Andrea C. Robinson (Midge Watkins), Jeff Campanella (Store Clerk)
Production Code: 212
Summary: The NCIS team investigates the cause of a mysterious death involving a NCIS facilities manager that was found four months after the Navy Yard bombings. Meanwhile, the team has to undergo mandatory psych evaluations, causing Gibbs to worry about Abby.



Abby looks around the empty morgue late at night, trying to convince herself not to be freaked out. Then she steps through the door and freaks out. She wakes up on the slab, about to be cut open.

Then she actually wakes up at her desk. It's 3 a.m., she calls Gibbs. "It happened again," she tells him.

Tony flirts with the Navy's facilities manager, Judy. She's overseeing the remodel and he thinks she smells fantastic. He's about to ask her out when Ziva interrupts, asking if they can get some new improvements. Judy agrees to look into a new paint color.

Miles Wolf, crisis counselor, interlopes. He's there for mandatory psych evaluations. The team decides they're fine.

Upstairs, Wolf tells Vance and Gibbs that everybody in NCIS seems to be doing well, except the armory. They're mourning "Midge" who evacuated the day of the bombing and hasn't been seen for four months. Gibbs tells Wolf to start with Abby and her nightmares.

Gibbs gets a call, they found Midge's car.

The team goes to the car recovery site, she was in her car submerged in a pond. Duckie shows up, off work. He doesn't have medical clearance to be back at work yet.

They confirm it's Midge with her photo ID. They wonder if she sped into the lake on her way from NCIS, but the missing person's report says she made it home. Palmer finds a bullet wound in her stomach.

Back at NCIS, Tony reviews paint samples. Midge Watkins was a retired Marine captain serving as an NCIS administrator. She has a daughter, Grace, stationed in San Diego, who's flying in.

Wolf tries to talk to Abby in the lab, but she can't even say the word "bombing." She refuses to talk about her nightmares.

Gibbs goes to the morgue and finds Duckie there. Palmer reports a lot of defensive wounds on the body. Gibbs tells Duckie to go home.

Ziva and Tony talk to Phyllis and Jon in the armory about the last day they saw Midge. The armory walls are still riddled with bullet holes from the munitions that exploded after the bomb. Jon has a scar from where he was hit by shrapnel.

They wonder if Midge was hit and didn't know it. Gibbs suggests getting a list of armory supplies and comparing the bullets to what hit Midge.

Gibbs checks on Abby in the garage, he asks about the shrink. She doesn't want to talk to a stranger. Gibbs is willing to listen as long as it's "short" and "nothing too deep." Abby remembers worrying after the bombing that she'd lost some friends. Lying on the autopsy table in her dream makes her feel alone, like she has no family. Gibbs asks about her family, including her biological brother, Kyle, who doesn't know about her. Abby finds a bullet in the car, Midge was shot at point blank range in the car.

Ziva talks to Midge's daughter, Grace. Midge texted from home after the bombing, and said she'd call and didn't. Grace says everyone loved her mom, she was especially supportive of women in the workplace. That led to some "typical male grumbling about playing favorites."

Back at NCIS, Ziva tells Tony that Midge thought he was occasionally annoying.

Judy comes back, Vance rejected the paint change request. Tony asks her out and she tells him she's taken, she thought they were "sport flirting."

Wolf comes through making small talk about the evaluations. Vance loudly objects and tells the team to get to work on Midge.

Ziva finds that a job applicant named Craig Wilson filed a grievance against Midge after she hired Phyllis instead, but it was thrown out five months ago, around the time of the bombing. Wilson was discharged for bad conduct five years ago and is unemployed.

Wolf intercepts Gibbs for his eval. Gibbs asks if he thinks family might help Abby. He says it could. Abby calls Gibbs away.

Down in the lab, Abby tells Gibbs the bullet that killed Midge is "nasty," it's covered in 60 year old mold. Gibbs encourages Abby to seek out Kyle.

Tony thinks he's unfocused since the bombing, like half of him is still "stuck in that elevator." Ziva and Tony pay a visit to Craig Wilson, who runs when they introduce themselves. Ziva tackles him and he drops a box full of guns.

Tony and Ziva talk to Craig in interrogation. He calls Ziva a "Feminazi." He calls Tony her "lovesick boyfriend" and compares it to his interview with Midge and someone else in the interview. Ziva rules out all of Craig's weapons as the murder weapon.

In the morgue, Palmer tells Gibbs that he found an allergic reaction in Midge's lungs but can't make sense of it. Gibbs calls Duckie.

Back in the armory, Jon admits he and Midge had a fling a few years back after she lost her husband. He and Phyllis look at the photos of the old guns that could be the murder weapon. They both offer to look into people who might know more about them.

Ziva goes to visit her biological brother Kyle at the pet adoption agency where he works. He's not there and she turns to leave. He finds her on the street. He remembers meeting her a year ago and thinks they had a connection.

McGee gets a call from a gun dealer in Philly who sold a similar gun six months ago. A few hours ago, the dealer got a call from the buyer begging him not to give out his name. McGee got his address, it's near the pond where Midge was found.

They head to the apartment and find Jon, the armory employee. He admits to having an old gun but says he still has it. He opens up his case but it's not there.

Duckie and Palmer call Gibbs to report she had a severe allergic reaction to a chemical that's used in soaps, detergents and colognes. Jon says he couldn't have done it because he was getting his shrapnel wound stitched up.

They notice a smell in the air, not cologne, but fancy perfume. Tony recognizes it. Jon says it's his girlfriend's, she saw his gun in the box a few hours ago. He says she was with the hospital

all night, except two hours when she went to get him a clean shirt.

Jon remembers he said some things that night about how the bombing made him realize how much Midge meant to him.

Tony finds Judy throwing Jon's gun into the pond. He cuffs her and listens to make jealous excuses.

Back in the morgue, Duckie busts Palmer. He knows Palmer didn't need his help and tells him he doesn't need his charity.

Wolf turns his report over to Vance, pointing out that Vance didn't have his eval. Vance wishes he could turn time back to before, which explains refusal to change the paint color. Vance is still feeling guilty for driving his car with a bomb in it to the yard, and driving his kids around that morning. Wolf assures him everyone is safe and no one is blaming him.

Gibbs opens a beer at home and Abby busts in with Kyle. Kyle hugs Gibbs, thanking him. Gibbs opens beers for everyone, but they find Abby asleep on the couch.

Phoenix

Season 10
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Season Episode: 3

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Guest Stars: Rene Auberjonois (Dr. Felix Blackwell), Michael Des Barres (Del Finney), Amanda Walsh (Ellen Roberts), Shelley Robertson (Navy Captain Beverly Sharp), Jim Hoffmaster (Administrator)
Production Code: 213
Summary: While on medical leave, Ducky decides to reopen a 12-year-old case by ordering the exhumation of a Navy commander's body. Meanwhile, the team also investigates a recent death of a Marine that may be tied to Ducky's old case.



Crews dig up the grave of Bruce Roberts in Arlington cemetery. Duckie presides, signing for the body. He conspicuously leaves the case number blank, blaming Palmer for not having one. But he's relieved when he's allowed to take the coffin.

At NCIS, McGee is lusting after a "life recorder" that you wear like a necklace and allow it to take photos every few moments. DiNozzo thinks some moments are better left unrecorded. McGee has been chosen as a Beta tester.

Gibbs comes in with the body of the week, a dead sergeant in Brooklyn.

Down in the morgue, Palmer freaks out that Duckie exhumed a body without the proper paperwork. Gibbs joins them. Duckie explains the body is Commander Bruce Roberts, whose autopsy 12 years ago didn't sit well with Duckie. He wanted to take a second look and now seemed like a good time. Gibbs reminds him he's not technically the ME at the moment. Duckie pouts about them moving on without him.

Duckie ruled the death accidental, Roberts drank himself to death, but then he recently read an obit for Landon Roberts – the commander's father – who died of a rare genetic liver disorder. Bruce would have had the same thing and there's a class of poisons that would mimic fatal alcohol intoxication in people with that condition. Duckie thinks it might have been murder.

On the current crime scene, the team find the dead sergeant was about to fly to Malta.

He died around midnight last night. His skin is pink, indicating possible carbon monoxide poisoning. They also found \$50,000 cash on him.

Back at NCIS, they find Sgt. Hill was assigned to the Marine Corps Security Force regiment, providing security to high value targets. He wasn't authorized for travel. He has no record of trouble.

Down in the lab, Abby thinks Gibbs retroactively approving Duckie's exhumation was kind. And the test results show Roberts was poisoned with something that has to be synthesized, he was murdered. Coincidentally, the laptop of recent dead guy Sgt. Hill has a copy of Duckie's exhumation order on it.

Gibbs and McGee talk to Duckie, wanting to know who he talked to the exhumation about and they need his files. But Gibbs cites rule 38: Your case, your lead.

Up in NCIS, Gibbs gives Duckie point on the case. Roberts was an avionics instructor in Annapolis, but couldn't get into NASA's flight training program. Roberts was a widower who came from money. His daughter is on the way in.

Duckie sends the team to look through his old files.

Duckie and Ziva talk to his daughter, who opens with: "He's dead because I killed him."

She was supposed to stop over the night he died, but got stuck at work. He wasn't a big drinker, he just had a bad day: he'd just been rejected again by NASA. They tell her he was murdered and show her a picture of Sgt. Hill. She doesn't recognize him.

Duckie promises her they'll find out what happened. After she leaves, Ziva points out she inherited \$14 million from her father and might actually be the killer.

Down in the morgue, Palmer briefs Gibbs and Duckie about the old chemical burns he found on Sgt. Hill's hands, from the poison that killed Bruce Roberts. He's now the prime suspect in Roberts' death, they think that's why he was running. The radiation alarm goes off in Abby's lab.

Gibbs goes there, it's a false alarm. She found dust on Roberts' jacket, from fake moon rocks. It set off her alarm. She gives Gibbs the name of a guy who would know about it.

Tony and Tony visit a NASA geek, Dr. Felix Blackwell, who recognizes the fake as one from Johnson Space Center, used in lunar engineering studies. But the irradiated stuff was supposed to be disposed of since it could be used to make a dirty bomb.

Back at NCIS, Duckie recaps that they think Hill killed Roberts. They wonder why Roberts would have wanted a fake moon rock.

McGee and Tony go talk to Roberts' old CO, who doesn't want to trash Roberts. She calls him her finest officer, but he didn't take rejection well. He made veiled threats against the DOD after he continued to get rejected for flight school and NASA. She still has them.

In the lab, Abby explains that Hill's carbon monoxide detectors were disabled after the system was infected with a virus. She also found something on Roberts' old computer, arranging a meet with Hill to buy something. Roberts was really paranoid about the police.

But in a later email, Roberts threatened to turn Hill into the Feds. They wonder if they were part of a WMD smuggling ring.

Palmer comes to Gibbs' house late at night complaining about Duckie. Then he notices Duckie sitting in the corner. Duckie frets about the way things are going.

Abby calls Gibbs to report she found another buyer. Gibbs arrives and finds Tony laughing that McGee got passed over for his life recorder. They traced the email from a "DF" to a PO Box then to the apartment that they're standing outside of.

They head inside and find music blaring and an aged British rocker inside. He has posters of himself on the walls. He's Del Finney, a one hit wonder from the 80s. Now he's a maintenance man for the building they found him in.

They take him back to interrogation, where Duckie joins Gibbs.

They show him Hill's photo and he denies knowing him. Duckie points out he owes a lot of people money and asks what happened. Finney bought a zoo and a lighthouse and some other stuff. He asks for a lawyer. Duckie sings "stand up Johnny, time to be a man", from Finney's song. He talks.

Back in NCIS, Tony reports Hill was selling moon rocks, but it's illegal to buy them. Twelve years ago there was a break in at a museum that had one of the rocks, but it was quietly recovered two years later from a janitor. Abby confirms that Finney bought a knock off.

Sgt. Hill was running a con. He gave Finney a sample to send to NASA's lab for testing. Abby points out there's no way any NASA scientist would have mistaken the knock off for the real thing.

Gibbs and Tony go back to Dr. Felix Blackwell, who comes from racketball but picks up a cane when he sees them. "Did you Keyser Soze us? I can't believe I fell for that," Tony says. Gibbs shows Blackwell Hill's photo. Hill worked security at the NASA rock verification lab when Blackwell ran it. Blackwell asks for his lawyer.

Back at NCIS, Duckie gloats over his win. Roberts' daughter comes back and thanks Duckie, giving him a hug. Gibbs comes to send Duckie back to autopsy, he's been cleared for duty.

Back in the morgue, Duckie sees Palmer come in all flustered on the phone. He's misplaced a liver among other problems. Duckie tells him he's back, Palmer is relieved.

There's a body on the slab from another coroner. They want a second opinion. Duckie fires up the bone saw.

Lost at Sea

Season 10
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Season Episode: 4

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Guest Stars: Diane Neal (CGIS Special Agent Abigail Borin), Rick Worthy (Navy Captain Logan Doyle), Shamus Quinn (Bernard Curry), Linda Park (JAG Officer Lieutenant Nora Patel), Derek Ray (Navy Lieutenant Commander David Hernandez), Katie Happ (Amy Stewart), Nondumiso Tembe (Navy Petty Officer First Class Josie Sparks), Chad Gall (Navy Lieutenant), Van Epperson (Pop), Pamela Dunlap (Mom), Cuyle Carvin (Navy Lieutenant Commander Oliver Happ)
Production Code: 214
Summary: The NCIS team has to find out the cause of the helicopter crash that was found on shore and locate the missing pilot. Meawhile, Ziva issues a dare to Tony and McGee.



A couple does inventory in their sea-side convenience store. The man sees the cooler to the water open and thinks it's kids stealing. He goes over and finds a severely dehydrated Marine guzzling water.

At NCIS, Tony tries to keep the details of his double date with McGee a secret, but he agrees to go out with the girls again. Gibbs comes in with the bodies of the week, the crew of Ghost Runner 12, a helicopter that went down four days ago.

On the scene, three of the four crew survived. Happ, the pilot, is still missing. Gibbs talks to the store owner and learns

another agent was there before him.

Ziva is annoyed McGee and Tony went out without her and, after see Agent Borin (Diane Neal) behind him, dares him to pick up the next women he sees.

Borin was running the search and rescue. In the ambulance, one of the crew says the helicopter was hit by a second aircraft.

Back at the office, they run down the crew: pilot Oliver Happ, Chief petty officer Josie Sparks, Copilot Lt. Hank Joplin and rescue swimmer Adam Portis.

In MTAC, Gibbs and Borin listen to the helicopter's last transmission with Navy Captain Logan Doyle (Rick Worthy) and Navy Lieutenant Commander David Hernandez (Derek Ray) . The radar says it went down off the coast of Delaware, but they now know that can't be right since it washed up off the coast of Maryland. Borin wants to talk to the crew, but Doyle says they're not allowed until the crew is recovered.

Gibbs meets Duckie at Walter Reed Medical Center. Portis is in a coma, and Sparks and Joplin are recovering from acute dehydration, but don't have any significant injuries.

Duckie gives Gibbs a master key to access the crew's rooms.

Gibbs goes to talk to Joplin, who says they were flying low and next thing he knew they were bottom up scrambling for the raft. He's worried about his pilot. He now says the only thing they hit was water.

Tony and McGee dare each other to ask Borin out to settle their bet with Ziva, as they pick up debris on the beach. A scavenger pulls a knife on them, angry that they're taking his scrap. Borin pulls her gun on him and calmly talks him down, explaining why they need the debris. Seamus Quinn asks Borin out and she agrees.

Tony and McGee head to the water's edge to pick up more junk and find Happ's lifeless body washed ashore – with a bullet wound in his head.

Back at NCIS, Tony jokes that he should have asked Ziva out since she said the first woman he saw. "Cute, but you did have your chance," she says.

Joplin and Sparks have been discharged from the hospital. Happ has a great service record and a wife and six year old kid with a medical condition. Mrs. Happ visits NCIS with her son.

Down in the morgue, Duckie concludes Happ survived the crash. Gibbs wants to know if Happ shot himself, but based on the condition of the body, Duckie can't say for sure.

Borin visits Abby in the garage as she goes through the debris. She hasn't found any helicopter pieces, but the bullet that killed Happ was a .22, not Navy issued. Josie Sparks had one registered to her.

Tony sets McGee up to ask Borin out by getting her tickets to an 80s cover band concert. He fumbles his way through it and is interrupted by Gibbs.

Gibbs goes to interrogation and meets JAG Officer Nora Patel, representing Sparks. Sparks was disciplined last month for her .22. When Gibbs accuses her of killing Happ, she says Happ was the one trying to kill them.

Happ just found out his son has an incurable disease. He got in a fist fight with a superior officer and she found him drinking on the job another time. On the flight they found him messing with the radar system. He said he couldn't handle going back, facing that his kid was going to die. He put them into a dive. She pulled her gun, but they crashed before she could use it. She calls Happ a coward.

Gibbs meets with Mrs. Happ, who says her husband was fine. He confronts her with bottles of booze they found around her house and tells her he tried to commit suicide. She thinks he wouldn't give up on their son.

At the ocean, Borin calls in to get water samples tested. Quinn drives up. Borin tells Tony she's not going out with him, she only agreed because Ziva told her about the bet. She thinks it sounds like Tony has better people to ask out.

At sea, Doyle says he was friends with Happ and would have known if something was wrong. But he doesn't know about the fight Happ started with Hernandez. Hernandez says it was just over training times and wasn't a big deal.

In Abby's lab, she tells Borin there's nothing indicative of a crash in the water samples.

The Pentagon is about to announce Happ caused the crash. They get a call that Portis is awake in the hospital.

McGee and Tony go talk to him. He's still hooked to a ventilator and might have brain damage. But when they ask if Happ tried to commit suicide, he shakes his head no.

Back at NCIS, they've been running background on the squadron and found four of them applied for stamps needed to open an offshore account. Happ was the only one of the crew who hadn't applied, the fourth was Hernandez, who was originally scheduled to fly that night.

Gibbs and McGee talk to Hernandez, who immediately gets caught in an alibi lie. He says they were going to sell the helicopter, but Hernandez bailed and called in sick. Sparks and Joplin watch his confession from the other side of the glass, but still insist they didn't kill Happ.

Gibbs talks to Joplin. Sparks tells Ziva they faked the crash. They flew south and landed on a ship waiting to meet them. They were selling the helicopter for \$300,000. They told Happ once they were in the air and Sparks says he went along with it, until they landed and then he pulled his weapon on them. The boat captain shot him, but they took the money.

They captain was supposed to take them back to the "crash" site but after the murder he disabled the raft transponder and dumped them. Sparks says they deserved it. The captain's

name was Seamus Quinn, the beach scavenger.

The team heads to his warehouse and he immediately opens fire. Tony and McGee tackle him and find he has a .22 like Sparks, the murder weapon.

Back at NCIS, Borin asks Tony and McGee out for a congratulatory drink. Ziva busts them for their double date, they stayed in and played video games. Borin asks Ziva instead, who is glad someone finally asked her. Tony and McGee rush to join them.

Gibbs looks on the news and sees Mrs. Happ and her son. He remembers her asking for her husband's flight helmet for her son. Gibbs has it.

Namesake

Season 10
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Season Episode: 5

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Recurring Role: Ralph Waite (Jackson Gibbs)
Guest Stars: Billy Dee Williams (Leroy Jethro Moore), Piter Marek (Vijay Chaya), Brett Davern (Krist Taylor), Jake Thomas (Alec Dell), Debra Christofferson (Rita Gregg), Edwin Hodge (Bodie), Julie McNiven (Kim Taylor), Jonathan Camp (Petty Officer First Class Colin Boxer), Tierra Carlson (Chaya's Girlfriend)
Production Code: 215
Summary: A petty officer is gunned down in a billionaire's Ferrari and the investigation leads the NCIS team to discover a link to a man Gibbs was named after.



A sailor races way too fast down the highway in a Ferrari hitting speeds above 100 mph. He speeds up when he sees a motorcycle on his tail, trying to lose them. He hits a dead end and stops the car. The motorcycle pulls up, but it's not a cop. The rider pulls out a gun and shoots the reckless driver dead.

The next day, Duckie concludes the man was shot around 1:30 a.m. Tony thinks the fact the shooter left the gun is a sign of a mob hit, or someone watching a lot of movies. ("Leave the gun, take the cannoli.") The victim is Petty Officer First Class Colin Boxer, 26. The car is worth \$300K and registered to a corporation.

Back at the office, they find the car is registered to Vijay Chaya, a 27-year-old billionaire in town from California. Abby reports the shooter was a novice, not realizing they needed to file off both sets of the serial number. It's registered to a Maryland pawn shop.

At the pawn shop, the owner says she sold the gun to Kim Taylor.

Tony notices a WWII Congressional Medal of Honor in the case. It's illegal to sell them, but the owner says she happily lent the veteran who brought it in \$3,000, not expecting to ever get it back, because he needed money. His name was Leroy Jethro Moore, Gibbs' dad's best friend.

At the office, Ziva reports Boxer had a night job parking cars at the Adams House. Tony and McGee go to talk to his boss.

Meanwhile, Gibbs and Ziva talk to Kim Taylor, a preschool teacher. Taylor recognizes a picture of the gun as hers. She gave it to her brother Kris last week.

At the Adams House, Tony and McGee talk to Boxer's coworker Bodie. He says Boxer took the Ferrari for a joyride. He says Boxer had a bookie named "the Gimp" who he owed a lot.

McGee and Tony find Chaya, the car's owner.

In the morgue, Duckie finds the slugs are .22s. Duckie asks Gibbs about his namesake. The last time Gibbs saw him was his sophomore year. He hasn't seen him since. He wrote Moore to congratulate him when he received the medal in 1996, but never heard back.

Ziva and McGee go to Kris Taylor's dorm room but find his roommate Alec Dell instead. He doesn't know about the gun, but says Kris was upset about failing a midterm.

Down in his basement at night, Gibbs call his dad, Jackson (Ralph Waite). He tells him LJ tried to pawn his Medal of Honor. When Gibbs asks what happened between them, his dad tells Gibbs to never bring up his name, and hangs up on him.

Back at NCIS, McGee reports Kris hasn't been seen in 24 hours. Ziva finds Boxer's bookie Joey Zambrano was busted by Metro police this morning. They get a call that Kris is back in his dorm. Gibbs asks McGee to locate LJ Moore.

Down in the garage, Abby has finished going over Chaya's car and has found nothing.

Ziva and Tony visit Kris in his dorm room. He's anxious talking to them and says the gun was stolen from his car. They see he's packing to leave and arrest him.

Gibbs leaves his dad a message reminding him that he once taught Gibbs a man does not hang up on someone and they need to talk.

In interrogation, Kris says he doesn't know Boxer. He says he was hiking alone when Boxer was shot. But his cell phone was turned off. Kris says he doesn't know Joey Zambrano, but is anxious and asks to talk to his dad, a lawyer.

Gibbs goes to visit his namesake Leroy Jethro Moore (Billy Dee Williams), who is happy to see him. After small talk, Gibbs asks why he pawned the medal, which get got for bravery in Iwo Jima as a member of the Montford Marines. LJ he needed the money to pay for a new wheelchair lift at his retirement home.

Gibbs says his father won't talk about why LJ left their hometown and LJ doesn't give details. Gibbs gives him his card.

Vijay Chaya comes to pick up his car and hits on Abby shamelessly. He offers her a vague job and invites her to dinner in St. Croix. She's skeeved out.

Gibbs comes home to find his dad waiting for him. Gibbs pushes for an explanation on his dad's feud with LJ. "He killed your mother," Jackson says.

Gibbs mother had cancer, but he knows that's not what killed her. She took her own life. Jackson didn't know Gibbs knew, but explains that she confided her plans in LJ and he didn't talk her out of it. Jackson blames LJ for robbing them of time they could have had with her. Jackson throws his coffee mug and shuffles off to bed.

In the morning at work, Gibbs is late. Ziva says Zambrano the bookie was under surveillance by police for a week and has an alibi for the murder.

They have traffic cam footage of the motorcycle following Boxer. Gibbs confronts Kris with the fact he has a motorcycle license. Kris looks at the picture and identifies it as his roommate, Alec.

LJ drops by to see Gibbs. He doesn't deny Jackson's version of events and says Gibbs' mom didn't want her husband and son to see her die slowly. LJ admitted he knew of Ann's plans when Jackson confronted him.

LJ admits he was in love with Gibbs' mom for years and had a special relationship with her until she died. After she died, and with Jackson mad at him, LJ didn't have a reason to stay in Stillwater.

Late at night, the team eats take-out Chinese and waits for news on missing Alec. Ziva finds he's in Mensa and two years ago he interned at Vijay Chiya's computer company.

Gibbs brings LJ home to talk to his dad, who he finds in the basement gluing the mug he broke. Gibbs says it's time to end the feud.

LJ says Ann wouldn't appreciate the way they've been behaving. Gibbs leaves them alone and goes to make dinner. "My god, you've gotten old," Jackson tells LJ.

The next morning, the team tells Gibbs they think Alec meant to kill Chaya. While he was an intern he suggested a file sharing program, which Chiya later patented and could make hundreds of millions from. Lawyers wouldn't take Alec's case because he signed a contract saying anything he developed as an intern belonged to Chaya's company.

Gibbs, McGee and Duckie explain to Chaya that Dell is after him and why. They suggest he email Alec and offer to buy him off and deposit \$1 million in his account to draw him out. Cut to Alec checking his balance in West Virginia.

The team tracks him there and finds him camping in the woods.

Jackson goes to LJ's retirement home to say good-bye. He brings LJ his Medal back. He repaid the \$3,000. Jackson invites LJ to visit Stillwater.

In his basement, Gibbs admires the new table saw he got from the pawn shop and uses the repaired coffee mug to drink his bourbon.

(The episode is in honor of the Montford Point Marines, the first African American Marine unit, who were honored with Congressional Gold Medals in June 2012.)

Shell Shock, Part I

Season 10
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Season Episode: 6

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Guest Stars: Brad Beyer (Marine Captain Joe Westcott), Mark Rolston (George Westcott), Glen Powell (Marine Sergeant Evan Westcott), David Hoflin (Randall J. Kersey), Chris McGarry (Lieutenant Commander/Doctor Peter Sanger), Vinicius Machado (Sam Mathis), Doris Morgado (Andrea Aldridge), Hector Atreyu Ruiz (Marine First Lieutenant Michael Torres)
Production Code: 216
Summary: When a Navy Lieutenant who recently returned home from the Middle East is found dead from a brutal attack, the NCIS team questions the victim's friend, Marine Captain Joe Westcott. Gibbs realizes the Captain is suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder, but knows his experience overseas may also provide a key link to the crime.



Two men run from five or six hooded men. The men catch up to both of them and, after being beaten, Joe watches as his friend Torres is dragged away into the night.

Tony comes in, delirious from his loud neighbors, who kept him up until 5 a.m. He accidentally took McGee's bag home last night and vice versa. He found his old Instamatic camera and is hoping Abby can develop the film. McGee also found Tony's old shag haircut boarding school picture.

Gibbs comes in with the body of the week, a dead Marine downtown. The scene is under a freeway overpass, he's

First Lt. Michael Torres. Duckie says it looks like he was beaten to death around 2 to 3 a.m.

They get a call of a young white male with blood on his clothes breaking into Torres' apartment.

They go there and find Captain Joe Westcott going through Torres' things, hoping to get him back. They break the news to him and take him back to interrogation.

Torres and Westcott have known each other since they were kids and served together in Afghanistan for several tours. Westcott was discharged for medical reasons, nerve damage from an explosion that killed four Marines, eight months ago. They wonder why he didn't call 911.

Westcott tells Gibbs there were five or six attackers that followed them from a convenience store. He confesses to Gibbs that he ran when he saw Torres being dragged away. He saw one of the attackers. Westcott seems to zone out for a minute and Gibbs snaps him out of it.

In the morgue, Duckie explains they found no evidence Torres fought back. He died from his head hitting concrete. They have DNA from one of the attackers.

Upstairs, credit card receipts confirm Westcott's story. There's bad surveillance footage of the alley with "ghosts" on the tape from it being re-recorded over many times.

Tony comes in, they ID'd a man who left the convenience store after them, Joe Mathis. He was at the convenience store last night and has a record. Westcott doesn't recognize him, but has a finished sketch from the artist of another attacker.

Gibbs meets with Torres' fiancée Andrea. She mentions how excited he was that Westcott was in town visiting, he was worried about him.

Tony and Ziva go to Joe Mathis' house. He has scratches on his face. When Tony tells him to come with them, he sucker punches Tony. Tony slugs him and draws his gun.

In the interview room, Mathis admits he left the convenience store right after Torres and Westcott, but didn't follow them. He says he was at High Points, a strip club, all night. His girlfriend scratched him.

Tony calls the club and confirms Mathis was there from 2 to 6 a.m. His DNA doesn't match the sample they have.

Gibbs wants them to look into the Marines Torres served with. Gibbs surprises Tony by suggesting they don't need to take another look at Westcott.

Joe Westcott's brother Sgt. Evan Westcott comes to NCIS to see his brother. Joe said Evan was overseas, but he's on leave. Evan thinks his brother was just confused. He doesn't want to give Gibbs much information and leaves after Gibbs asks about their dad. Gibbs tells Evan what hotel Joe is at.

Down in the lab, Abby has recreated the attack based on multiple attackers and the 10 distinct wounds they found. But based on her measurements she only found two types of impressions, front and back. Two attackers. McGee hasn't been able to find multiple attackers on the tape. They wonder if Joe was lying.

Gibbs goes to talk to Joe and finds Evan waiting outside. Joe won't let him in, but he opens the door for Gibbs. Joe's room is a mess and he's been smoking, to the surprise of his brother. Joe asks what Evan is doing there, even though Joe's the one who called him. He covers up his notes when Gibbs tries to look at them. He's written "I J I" several times.

Gibbs tells him the evidence says there were two attackers. Joe gets defensive and starts yelling about his "friends" being dead. He throws Gibbs and Evan out, insisting that he knows what he saw.

Out in the hall, Evan doesn't understand what's wrong with his brother. Gibbs says Joe is confused, but Evan insists he's fine.

Duckie finds Gibbs down in the morgue with Torres' body. He thinks Joe is struggling with the truth. "I suspect that you know all too well the mask that the captain is wearing," Duckie says.

Gibbs wonders what Joe's notes with "I J I" could mean. He's worried this attack is bringing back memories of the past one where Westcott was wounded.

In the morning, Gibbs tells Tony and Ziva to find out what I-J-I means and to look into the original ambush. They can tell by his clothes that Gibbs never went home last night. They think he's getting too attached to the case because he sees something they don't.

Down in the lab, Abby also pulled an all-nighter and they have clear footage of the attack – there was just one attacker and he matches Westcott's sketch. He's Randall Kersey, he has no military background.

Surveillance shows Torres and Westcott following Kersey. They also ID'd a substance from under Torres' fingernails: leather, like the jacket Westcott was wearing. They think Torres was holding him back.

Gibbs interview Kersey, a mild-mannered phone company worker. He ID's Westcott as the man who came after him, but says he didn't mean to hurt Torres. They followed him out of a convenience store and Westcott was yelling things that didn't make sense. Westcott attacked him as Torres tried to hold Westcott back. Torres was between them and getting punched from both sides.

Kersey says he pushed as hard as he could to get away and Torres hit the ground. Kersey says he panicked and ran.

He says Westcott came after him first and was crazy.

Back in the office, Ziva can't find Joe Westcott. Evan hasn't seen him. They get a call from the police that Westcott was spotted near the scene of Torres' death.

Gibbs and Tony head there and find Westcott carving "I J I" into a wooden door. He doesn't seem to hear them until Gibbs tells him his men need him. "You're not alone," Gibbs says.

Westcott drops his knife. "I think I need help," he says.

Gibbs shows Westcott the surveillance footage of him attacking Kersey. Gibbs is understanding and sympathetic, saying he had his "head scrambled" once. Westcott says he got confused and thought Kersey was part of the ambush that killed his friends in Afghanistan. He says he didn't know what was real and what wasn't and he was back in the ambush all over again, watching his friend get dragged away. Gibbs encourages him to face his fear.

Gibbs sits with Westcott and his brother as he meets with Dr. Pete to talk about PTSD. He's been having nightmares, insomnia and panic attacks for eight months. The doctor assures Joe he's not a burden. Evan apologizes for not helping him sooner. Their dad George joins them.

Ziva finds Tony being furtive in the break room. He got his camera developed and it has pictures of him as a young boy with his mom. He doesn't like to talk about her because it's too painful. She introduced him to movies. One picture is outside the last movie she ever took him to, "The Little Prince."

"That which is essential is invisible to the eye," Ziva says. "Ziva David, did you just quote a movie?" "No. I quoted a book that was made into a movie."

Back with the psychiatrist, George is not handling things well. He storms out. Dr. Pete encourages Westcott to call anytime. Westcott thanks Gibbs.

McGee makes plans for dinner later with Abby, passing on the all-dog talent show.

Tony gets the after action report on the ambush, the group responsible was the Ijia rebels, with strong ties to Hamas and Hezbollah. They pull up the surveillance footage of the group from satellite and zoom in on a group of men, including Randall Kersey.

Ziva, Gibbs and Tony head to his address on file. It's totally empty. In his storage shed, they find a piece of a building blueprint and equipment to build a bomb. They think he's planning something big.

Shell Shock, Part II

Season 10
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Season Episode: 7

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Guest Stars: Brad Beyer (Marine Captain Joe Westcott), Mark Rolston (George Westcott), Glen Powell (Marine Sergeant Evan Westcott), David Hoflin (Randall J. Kersey), Chris McGarry (Lieutenant Commander/Doctor Peter Sanger), Matt Caplan (Marine Private Paul "McCartney" Patterson), Alexandra Holden (Brooke Fenten), Vinicius Machado (Sam Mathis), Marc Anthony Samuel (Marine Private First Class James Hall), Tyler Ross (Adam Horne), Minni Jo Mazzola (Jessie Cantrell), Hector Atreyu Ruiz (Marine First Lieutenant Michael Torres)
Production Code: 217
Summary: Gibbs continues to help the survivor of an attack remember what happened. The search leads to terrorists. Meanwhile Abby is making plans for the NCIS team to attend her Thanksgiving dinner. Ziva has plans to go to the opera.



Flashback as Captain Joe Westcott comes to get his men before their patrol the night of the ambush. Private Hall talks about how excited he is that his wife is pregnant back home.

Later that night during the ambush, Westcott watched helplessly as Hall was dragged away by militants, including Randall Kersey.

Back in the present in DC, Gibbs wakes Westcott and his brother and father up in the middle of the night to tell him Joe was right about Kersey. NCIS needs his help. Joe remembers that night at the convenience store, Kersey didn't

look like he was there to buy anything. The after action report on the ambush says that Westcott and Torres were inside enemy HQ during the ambush, but Westcott doesn't remember it. Torres told him that's what happened. He remembers Kersey attempting to capture PFC Hall. Paul "McCartney" Patterson was nearby but Westcott doesn't know what he saw. Westcott agrees to go talk to McCartney with Gibbs tomorrow. Westcott's dad George clearly doesn't want to be there and says he has to get back to work in Ohio. Joe's brother Evan volunteers to stay with Joe.

At NCIS, they find Kersey grew up in LA and studied philosophy but after study abroad in India, he hooked up with terrorists. His girlfriend's name is Brooke Fenton, she's a caterer. Based on the remnants NCIS found in his apartment, Abby thinks Kersey has two IEDs.

Gibbs and the Westcott brothers visit McCartney. He isn't happy to see Westcott and says he needed him "before" but not now.

Flashback to the ambush, Westcott remembers McCartney went after Hall to get him from Kersey. He starts running away as he remembers being in enemy HQ, but Gibbs tackles him.

In the garage, Abby has created a virtual reality recreation of the ambush. She outfits Joe Westcott with a VR helmet and gun to help him remember. Meanwhile, the computer has linked the blueprint scrap in Kersey's apartment to the historic register and is searching.

Abby walks Westcott through the VR scene. Inside the HQ he describes a computer and satellite modem and wall covered with documents and maps. He saw Ijil written on one and a clean cut picture of Kersey. Westcott walks outside to the ambush, but the firing is overwhelming. He takes the VR helmet off and leaves.

Upstairs, Tony meets with Brooke Fenton, who is unnerved she can't reach him. She says he's always on chat, even at her apartment on her laptop. He came over to say good-bye before a business trip in India today. But later, they find he didn't fly out today.

Gibbs visits Duckie in the morgue for a profile. Randall's parents were killed when he was five and he was raised in foster care, but always ran away. Duckie thinks being part of a terrorist group makes him finally feel like he belongs. Gibbs says he pushed Westcott too hard and Duckie encourages him to reach out.

Gibbs finds him in a bar with Evan. Evan just got back from Iraq and says he can understand what Joe is going through. Joe disagrees and they end up in a fist fight. Joe says it's not the same because Evan came back OK.

Back at NCIS, McGee has spent the night going through Kersey's chats on Brooke's laptop. He finds a photo of Kersey and Brooke in front of his car and they finally have his license plate.

Gibbs checks in with Dr. Dan, who says Westcott needs to redevelop a sense of purpose and rebuild trust.

Gibbs visits Westcott, who's ready to leave town. Gibbs invites him to stay at his place. Evan apologizes to Gibbs for letting Joe drink, but says it was nice to have his old brother back for a minute. "Try to love the one you've got," Gibbs says.

Gibbs takes Westcott to the convenience store where he and Torres ran into Kersey. He remembers Kersey standing in the corner looking shifty and someone coming in the door. He passed a note to a girl with blue hair.

Later, they have Westcott's sketch artist description of the girl. They get a call about Kersey's car and head there. They find a terrified teenager who says Kersey paid him \$200 to take the car and keep driving.

Back at NCIS, Gibbs thinks Kersey hasn't left town yet and is following his plan. The convenience store manager said the girl with blue hair was a regular so Gibbs sends Tony and Ziva to stake it out.

Back at Gibbs' house, Westcott can't sleep. He's wracked with guilt for letting Hall get killed. Gibbs tells him he has to keep fighting and accept help.

In the morning of the stakeout, Tony tries to get info out of Ziva about her opera date. There's no guy, she goes to the opera every year on her late sister Tali's birthday. But it's sold out this year and she feels like she's letting her down.

They spot blue hair and ask her about Kersey. She says he brought homeless kids like her food and odd jobs. The last note told her to meet him at a coffee shop today at 10. He was going to give her a box to drop off at union station, but she says it was "nothing bad."

The girl waits for Kersey in the coffee shop. He comes in with a small package and sits down. "You know where this is going, but I'd like to know when it's done," he says. Tony and Ziva pop out with guns on him.

Back at interrogation, they open the package and find a bomb. Gibbs asks him questions, but Kersey stays silent. Tony and Westcott watch from observation.

Gibbs shows him a photo of Private Christopher Gomez, who left behind two little brothers. He was KIA by Ijil rebels. Gibbs tries to appeal to his orphan side as he asks for info on the other bomb. Westcott gets angry that Kersey won't even look at photos of his men, including Private Hall, who left a pregnant wife. Gibbs gets in Kersey's face demanding info about the bomb. He cries and gives his Arabic name, then says he's glad he killed Hall. When he spits on Hall's photo, Westcott charges out of observation and into interrogation and attacks Kersey. As Gibbs pulls

him off, Westcott remembers more about inside HQ, including that Brooke Fenton's photo was also on the wall.

Back in the office, Brooke's laptop schedule shows she's working a catering event, but they don't know where. Abby comes in to report she got a name to match the blueprint, a home belonging to Senator Geoffrey Roberts. He's hosting Thanksgiving for a Senate committee tonight at his house.

At the senator's house, they find the bomb in the kitchen, but Brooke has disappeared. They find her chef's whites and know with the roadblock, she might still be there. Gibbs sees her telltale ponytail. She's in a cop's uniform getting into a cruiser. As she looks for the keys, they surround her.

With Gibbs, Joe Westcott goes back to talk to McCartney again. He tells McCartney his head is messed up and maybe McCartney should talk to somebody, too. When McCartney isn't sure he's up to it, Gibbs references the fact he charged after Hall and got his body back. McCartney tells him he didn't do it, it was Westcott. Westcott remembers the ambush again, this time firing at Kersey and driving him away, then going to get Hall and dragging him out of the line of fire. Westcott is relieved to know he didn't run away. "You didn't run, forgive yourself for the rest," Gibbs says. "I just wish it would have mattered," Westcott says. "It mattered to us," McCartney tells him. He and Westcott share a hug.

At the office, they're getting ready to head to Gibbs' for Thanksgiving. But first Tony has a surprise for Ziva. He tells her McGee installed surround sound in the office. He presses play on opera and leaves her alone with her sister's memory.

Gone

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Season Episode: 8

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Guest Stars: Alex Kingston (Miranda Pennebaker), Kirsten Prout (Lydia Wade), Blake Robbins (Navy Commander Scott Martin), Jenny Cooper (Connie Martin), Kyle Davis (John 'Diesel' Stevens), Drew Powell (Fred Hadley), Joey Oglesby (Merle Axelrod), Wiley Pickett (Navy Captain David Wade), Madison McLaughlin (Rosie Martin), Alexa Fischer (Navy Commander Jennifer Wade), Jim Holmes (Edgar Hayes), Patricia Lentz (Ginny Daniels), Jack Axelrod (Shmeil Pinkhas), Anita Kalathara (High School Kid 1), James Coholan (High School Kid 2)
Production Code: 218
Summary: The NCIS team investigates a teenage girl's abduction while Ziva and Abby team up to protect her friend who witnessed the kidnapping while Gibbs seeks information from a past connection.



A dad waits to pick up his daughter and her friend from work at a theater after a midnight movie. The other daughter's dad, Scott Martin, calls as the girls come out.

Just then, a black van pulls up and masked men try to grab the girls. Wade comes to their rescue and bravely fights the abductors off as his daughter runs for help. But the attackers get the upper hand and grab Rosie, shooting Wade in the process.

At work, it's the middle of the night but Ziva is in a great mood because her friend Shmeil called from Israel and she's

going to get to see him on his layover. Tony pouts when she won't give him details.

Gibbs announces the body of the week, a dead Navy officer and child abduction.

At the scene, the victim is Navy Captain David Wade. Rosie Martin is missing.

David's daughter Lydia is waiting nearby with Rosie's mom, Connie. Lydia's mom is in the Navy, and on an aircraft carrier in the middle of the Arabian Sea.

Scott Martin shows up, he's also in the Navy. He heard the abduction on the phone and they raced over. When Gibbs asks Lydia if she can ID the attackers, Scott gets in her face and pressures her. She yells that her dad tried to stop the men.

Back at the office, they watch the theater surveillance. Gibbs addresses the whole NCIS office, which is on the case, along with the FBI. The men wore stocking masks and obscured the van's plate.

In MTAC, Lydia talks to her mom, Jennifer Wade, at sea. She's been given a transfer but bad weather is keeping her stuck on the ship. Jennifer suggests Lydia stay with the Martins, but Gibbs advises against it. Ziva offers to host her.

In the morgue, Duckie has ID'd black primer from the van. It washed off, meaning the paint job was temporary. Duckie advises Gibbs to take things slowly and not rush anything.

Ziva takes Lydia down to Abby's lab. She turns over the shirt she was wearing during the attack. Abby's analyzing the bullet that killed Lydia's dad and offers to try facial reconstruction if Lydia can remember anything.

McGee and Tony meet with Connie and Scott Martin, who have turned over Rosie's computer. McGee finds a chat log with "Diesel" who asked if she was working the midnight show and said he might see her there.

Gibbs goes to check him out, he's pervily selling pumpkins. He hocks a loogie on Gibbs' shoes, so Gibbs cold cocks him.

Back at NCIS, McGee and Gibbs talk to Diesel, a registered sex offender – for peeing on a Dumpster next to a middle school. He was posing as a college freshman, but he's 30. He said hi to her at the movies, but then says he went straight to work breaking down his boss' pumpkin stands. He says he doesn't know anything else.

Ziva talks to Lydia, who knows him as "Diesel the Weasel." Lydia feels bad she can't be of more help. Ziva tells her dealing with loss is very personal.

Abby brings Lydia her phone back. She sees that her friends are planning a rally at the bowling alley where her dad and Scott were in a league. She wants to go.

At the alley, Lydia is greeted by her friends and Ginny, who runs the place. Another employee, Fred, also says hi. Connie and Scott Martin show up and Scott immediately starts haranguing Gibbs for not being out searching for Rosie. Then he yells at Lydia about a description of the attackers, saying she saw them and must be able to give one. NCIS whisks her out of there.

Back in Abby's lab, she shows Lydia face samples for face types. Lydia gets a text that says "Help lyds, they hav-" She thinks it's from Rosie. They trace it to a burn phone in a trailer. There's a man's warm dead body in the trailer and signs Rosie was there, including the phone she sent the help text from. They're thinking the man was shot by his accomplices for letting her send the text.

McGee ID's the dead man as Sean Oakby, a petty criminal with no sex crime record. He's sent messages to multiple burn phones in the past few days, including photos of Rosie in a party dress. Gibbs tells McGee to have Agent Fornell find Miranda Pennebaker.

Lydia confirms Oakby was one of the men who tried to grab her. Gibbs comes down to the lab and tells Abby and Ziva the attackers are trying to sell Rosie. He asks Ziva and Abby to stay with Lydia and make her feel safe.

Fornell calls Gibbs and he asks about Pennebaker.

Cut to Gibbs finding Pennebaker (Alex Kingston), who owes Gibbs and can sell anything. She is offended at the idea she'd be involved in human trafficking. Gibbs knows, but thought it was worth a shot. She knows someone who might know someone.

Ziva, Abby and Lydia make themselves at home at Gibbs' house.

Miranda takes Gibbs to see Edgar Hayes, who works at the State Department and has some sordid interests. Gibbs asks him who might in the market for a kidnapped girl. He agrees to make some calls.

Duckie calls Gibbs to report Oakby had rosin used by athletes on his hands. Gibbs thinks of the bowling alley.

Ziva and Abby enjoy a frittata and a few beers. Lydia comes down from her shower. She remembered the other guy from the van was kind of pudgy with a beard.

The power goes out. They think it's an outage, but Ziva sees other house's lights are on. She leads them upstairs and draws her gun.

A man jumps on her in the kitchen and pulls a gun, asking where Lydia is. Abby sneaks up behind him and cracks him on the head with a frying pan. Lydia looks at him: it's Fred from the bowling alley.

In interrogation, Ziva and Gibbs talk to Fred, who says he drove the van but doesn't know where Rosie is. His ex-con buddy Merle and his cousin Sean came to him asking for girls, two for \$500,000 to sell to a man who likes virgins.

Abby keeps Lydia company in the lab. Gibbs brings Abby Caf-pow and she reports she found motion sickness medicine in Sean Oakby's lab results, meaning a flight or deep sea trip.

Miranda Pennebaker waits for Gibbs, to report Edgar found their buyer is Claude Damien LeMonde, drug smuggler and perv who lives at sea. They know his helicopter will be landing at a field in Reston, VA in the morning.

Merle brings Rosie to the helicopter to sell her, but finds NCIS waiting for him instead. Rosie is reunited with her parents.

Lydia is reunited with her mom Jennifer at NCIS.

Miranda Pennebaker visits Gibbs in his basement for a bourbon. She tells him she's thinking of retiring.

Tony comes back to the office to find Ziva all dressed up to go out with her friend Shmeil. When he comes out of the restroom, Tony is surprised to see he's an elderly man, whom Ziva introduces as a poet and philosopher. Shmeil remembers meeting Tony's dad at a bar in Geneva. He invites Tony to join them.

Devil's Trifecta

Season 10
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Recurring Role: Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell)
Guest Stars: Melinda McGraw (Diane Sterling), Danny Nucci (Gordon Fremont), Colby French (Viggo Kiln/ Drunk Guy), Will Beinbrink (Oliver Lambert), J. Downing (Avis Boyle), Trevor Torseth (Al Parker), Noree Victoria (Female Guest), Brendan Bradley (Male Guest)
Production Code: 219
Summary: Gibbs teams up with Fornell on a joint investigation after Fornell becomes the target of a shooting, but they face an unexpected twist in the case when their mutual ex-wife, Diane Sterling, gets involved. Meanwhile, rumors run wild among the group after Diane stays overnight at McGee's.



A mystery man waits for Agent Fornell across from the drive through where he's getting dinner. As Fornell digs in his car, the man crosses the street toward him and fires twice through the windshield. He looks to see if he hit Fornell and is knocked down by Fornell's hail of return fire.

One the scene later, Fornell tells Gibbs he's fine. He had a bullet proof vest on after work. The shooter was Navy seaman Tyler Brown. Fornell doesn't recognize him. Duckie checks his pupils and thinks he might have been on a stimulant. They find the matchbook with For-

nell's license plate in the shooter's car.

Fornell and Gibbs visit a Navy bar, where Brown worked as a bouncer. A drunk bar patron says Brown liked beating people up and was dealing speed. Gibbs and Fornell are both taken aback when their mutual ex-wife Diane (Melinda McGraw) walks out of the bathroom.

She's an IRS auditor and says she's working, investigating the bar. Gibbs stops Fornell from telling her about the shooting. When the bartender comes back, he calls Melinda "Mrs. Fornell" and says the owner isn't interested in selling the bar. Gibbs is annoyed.

They take her back to NCIS and put her in interrogation for obstructing their investigation. She had two IDs on her, one in the name of Gibbs and one in the name of Fornell.

The victim was reprimanded for fighting and was in the process of dishonorable discharge.

Gibbs makes Tony question Diane, who is not happy about it. She says her husband Victor is at a destination wedding with her daughter. Vance interrupts, ending the interrogation.

Diane calls her boss from Vance's office and gets clearance to talk. She's not an auditor, she's in enforcement one of the IRS's agents. "Agents? And the Lord wept," Fornell says, aghast.

She was undercover in the bar. Someone is stealing identities from the bar. She used Fornell's name because fake IDs are expensive. Fornell is angry her investigation using his name almost got him killed. Vance announces the three of them will be working the case together.

Gibbs and Fornell go to check up on fake tax return checks.

Diane and Ziva go to check cashing outlets. She mentions she's taking a break from her husband. She wonders if made a mistake getting married again, missing her chance to go out and act crazy.

They show the check cashing clerk (Danny Nucci) the fraudulent checks. He recognizes them as belonging to Oliver Lambert. He gives them surveillance footage.

Back at the office, they figure Lambert is the ID theft ringleader. They realize Diane could be in danger and argue over who has to watch her.

She ends up at McGee's, complaining that her husband wants to leave her.

She worries there's something wrong with her. McGee assures her she's attractive, "at least on the outside." She asks McGee for a hug. He balks, so she insists. When she says his parents failed, he relents.

In the morning, Gibbs and Fornell find McGee, asleep, spooning Diane on the couch. "Holy Fourth of July weenie roast! What the hell am I looking at?" Fornell demands.

McGee wakes up protesting it's not what it looks like. Gibbs reports Abby has a lead on the accountant, an overdue payment on a rental house. They men meet Tony at the house.

They bust in and find a room converted to a walk-in freezer with chests full of seafood. "Right, of course. The accountant was renting a home for his frozen fish collection," Tony concludes.

The drunk guy from the bar is in another chest.

Back at NCIS in the morgue, McGee protests to Duckie, Tony and Palmer that nothing happened with Diane.

Duckie reports the freezer victim was Viggo Kiln, working with Oliver the accountant to chat bar patrons up for details to steal their identities.

Upstairs, Ziva and Diane work on a theory about the fish. Diane finds a shipping manifest for a shipping company in China on the border with North Korea. Others were going to countries on the borders of Syria and Iran.

Diane goes to talk to a customs agent she knows. She sends Fornell and Gibbs to look into the shipments.

In the lab, Abby opens up a tuna to show Ziva the fish had a cell phone in it. All the fish had them, from the same manufacturing batch. Someone used one to call Oliver and she tracked the caller's location.

They stake out the park. Fornell and Gibbs gossip about Victor maybe leaving Diane. Fornell tells Gibbs that Diane asked to be transferred to Gibbs' jurisdiction.

Oliver Lambert sits down on a park bench and Gibbs and Fornell approach him. He's zonked out and won't take his hands out of his pockets. They all draw on him as he says he was trying to set things right. "I gave them this week's payment, but they're worried, I think they might try and kill me," he says.

He takes his hands out of his pockets and shows he's bleeding badly from his stomach. He keels over.

Back at the office, Duckie confirms Lambert died of multiple stab wounds. He had thumb drive in his wallet showing he was embezzling. He had a statement prepared to give to the Treasury, but with his boss' name left out.

They get a call about another shipment, this one with DVDs instead of phones. Abby reports she traced the fish to a distributor run by Avis Boyle.

Diane joins them, saying he was a client of Oliver Lambert's. They think he's the smuggler, but don't have enough to arrest him.

Diane points out that with Oliver dead, Boyle will need a new accountant to launder his money. She wants to approach Boyle. Gibbs insists on going with her.

Boyle is at a wedding.

Fornell grills McGee on his couch cuddle time as they run surveillance from the van.

In the wedding, Diane sees Boyle and approaches him. She lays out her pitch and Avis goes to get his boss. On surveillance, they see the boss come in. It's the guy from the check cashing place (Nucci).

He pulls a gun on Diane and starts to lead her out when Gibbs gets everyone's attention by proposing a toast.

Then he gets Diane away from the check casher by getting down on one knee and proposing to her in front of everyone. The team swoops in and arrests the man.

Back at the office, Diane explains to Vance that Boyle was one of four distributors in the smuggling operation. The check casher was Gordon Fremont, running the whole thing.

Down in his basement, Gibbs gets a visit from Diane. She's touched he remembered how he proposed and repeated it.

Gibbs tells her to give Victor a break "for being him and not somebody else. You've got to let it go, Diane. I couldn't and I drove everybody away. The last thing you want to be is me," he says.

She assures him he's not so bad. She asks if he'll spend the rest of his days alone. "I'm not alone," he says.

You Better Watch Out

Season 10
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Season Episode: 10

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Guest Stars: Robert Wagner (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.), Danielle Bisutti (Secret Service Agent Ashley Winter), Rose Rollins (Navy Lieutenant Commander Megan Huffner), David Dean Bottrell (Assistant Director of Operations Donald Linder), John-Joe O'Conner (Pat Gillespie), Diane Robin (Jennifer), Devin McGinn (Stewart Dorfman), Ted Baker (Navy Lieutenant Joe Baker)
Production Code: 220
Summary: It's Christmas time for the DiNozzos when Tony's dad comes to visit. Meanwhile, the NCIS team is "following the money" in order to solve a murder investigation.



Naval Air Station – Base Housing, Pleasant River. A woman comes home for the holidays to find her neighbor stringing lights. She comes in the door to a dark house, pile of mail and a terrible smell. And a dead husband in an easy chair.

On the scene the next morning, Megan Huffner explains to Gibbs she last spoke to her husband Pat at Thanksgiving and she'd been deployed in the Gulf for six months. She knocks him as an "unemployed Navy husband." There's no sign of forced entry and he's been there three or four weeks. He has no visible wounds.

Back at the office, Tony gets a notification his dad's flight into town has been delayed. He's not looking forward to the visit, which is bound to lead to an argument.

Abby goes bonkers with decorations in the lab, setting up an entire village. Palmer brings her the victim's personal items including a phone and cash, including a weird looking \$100 bill.

At the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Gibbs and Tony learn from Assistant Director of Operations Donald Linder that the bill is authentic. But it hasn't been put into circulation yet or even left a Treasury building.

It has all the latest security features, including color-shifting ink, raised printing and a 3-D liberty bell – it's counterfeit proof. It was supposed to be introduced in February 2011, but there were production issues, including creases in the notes. It's possible fully 30% of \$110 billion in bills were printed with flaws.

Tony's dad calls. He tells him to take a cab.

The bill's serial number is from a batch that was shredded 18 months ago. Secret Service Special Agent Ashley Winter joins them, she says she's taking the \$100 as evidence, but Gibbs sets her straight.

Back at the office, they can't connect Noel to the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

Abby brings in Anthony DiNozzo Sr. (Robert Wagner). He informs Tony he's staying with him. Abby tells him about their tradition of watching "It's a Wonderful Life Together."

Down in the morgue, Duckie tells Gibbs the cause of death was a broken neck. Noel was also a heavy drinker.

At Tony's place, he has a flat screen and grand piano but no decorations. He greets his goldfish, her name is Kate. He has a spacious modern kitchen, with only pizza and water in the fridge. He's lived there 12 years.

Tony sets his dad up in his bedroom, with a twin bed. He doesn't have women over. His dad thinks he's missing intimacy and commitment.

In the lab, Abby lifts prints from her family's ornament dating back to the 1890s. She used to fingerprint all her relatives. She found Noel's print on the \$100, and another belonging to Justin Cannady, who was fired from the BEP.

In the office, Ziva and McGee report that the Secret Service had Cannady's place locked down. Tony is working out his couch kinks on the floor. He reports Cannady had horrible credit and was broke.

Agent Winter arrives to brief them on Cannady, who was fired for being drunk on the job. He lost two fingers on the job in a shredding machine. She reports they found nothing at Cannady's. Gibbs won't let her people go through Huffner's house.

Megan Huffner tells Gibbs and Ziva that her husband over-drew their credit cards. He was always at Gillespie's Saloon.

At the Huffner's, Tony gets McGee to crack his back. Tony Sr. calls Tony to ask where his roasting pan is. He's preparing a traditional DiNozzo Christmas dinner.

Tony tells McGee about his dad not being around a lot and his dad breaking the tradition of passing down a signet ring on the son's 21st birthday. He thinks his dad pawned it.

McGee inspects a dying fichus and finds a false bottom with a bag of the new \$100s.

Gibbs and Ziva head to Gillespie's, where the owner Pat says Megan calls the bar when she can't find her husband. Gibbs appreciates Pat's old time pick-up truck. He says Noel and Justin Cannady were like Cliff and Norm.

Tony comes home to find his dad trimming a Christmas tree. He moved Tony's piano and baked snickerdoodles using Tony's mom's recipe. Tony gets all huffy about his dad being in his space.

Tony ignores the knocks of his neighbor, a cougar. Tony gets a text that Cannady's body was found.

At the park crime scene, they find his body crawling with maggots. Gibbs is annoyed when Agent Winter shows up. He diverts her from the body.

Back at the office, they find that Noel had \$400,000 in \$100s. They wonder if Huffner bought the \$100s at a discount because Cannady could use them until they were in circulation.

In the lab, Abby tells Gibbs that fibers on the bills show they left the Treasury in the trash.

Agent Winter comes down to the morgue to ask if the body has been ID'd at Cannady. Duckie distracts her while Palmer calls Gibbs down.

Duckie reports it is Cannady and his neck was also broken about three or four weeks ago.

Gibbs and Winter go back to talk to Linder, who doesn't understand how the money got stolen. He says the money was destined for the Adam County Landfill in Virginia.

Back at the office, Tony Sr. comes by in a Santa hat, bearing gifts. He tells Ziva he might be trying to make up for too many missed Christmases.

At the landfill, McGee is surprised to recognize Stewie, an old MIT classmate who says he found his calling in trash. He tells Tony that McGee was the school mascot, a beaver. Stewie recalls where the trash from the date 18 months ago is buried, and he remembers they had a break in that night. He remembers the date because it's the night the SEALs killed Bin Laden.

Tony comes home to find even more decorations. He's impressed and thanks his dad. But then he opens the door to his bedroom and sees his dad busy with his neighbor.

"I'll have to burn the bed now," Tony says. "You nearly pulled it off, it was almost like old times. You have to go just a little too far."

He's upset with his dad for breaking the rules of his house, his sanctuary. He wants his dad to leave.

The next day, Winter reads Linder the riot act. Gibbs calls her to access archival surveillance of the DC area, which was stepped up that night after the raid.

Back home, Tony says good-bye to his dad.

Down in Abby's lab, they watch the surveillance footage of the landfill break-in. It's dark and poor quality, but Gibbs recognizes the old pick-up.

Back at Gillespie's, they serve Pat with a warrant to search for \$100s. Gibbs thinks Pat Gillespie stole the money with Cannady, then killed him when he sold some of it to Huffner. Gillespie is a retired Marine and could have accessed Huffner's house on the base.

Gillespie watches nervously as Ziva searches his office. He tells them where to find his safe.

Tony tells McGee he's not in the mood for "It's a Wonderful Life" and he left the DVD at home. He goes home to get it and sees his dad's Santa hat and a photo of his mom.

He turns on his tree and sees a small box under it – it's the heirloom signet ring.

Later, in MTAC, they watch as Agent Winter takes full credit for the investigation at a news conference.

Tony joins them late. He thinks his dad wanted to make amends and Tony blew it.

Abby shows up for the screening, with Tony Sr. in tow. Tony hugs his dad and tells him he loves him.

Shabbat Shalom (1)

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Recurring Role: Michael Nouri (Mossad Director Eli David), Paula Newsome (Jackie Vance)
Guest Stars: Nasser Faris (Arash Kazmi), Scott MacArthur (Navy Petty Officer Second Class Luke Grismer), Cameron Watson (Randy), Joe Martin Thomas (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Dion Kelso), Mateus Ward (Austin), Ryan Locke (Roland James), Bryan Lugo (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Bruce Smith), Russell Pitts (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Judd Norwood), Brent Chase (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Nathan Thomas), Jack Axelrod (Shmeil Pinkhas)
Production Code: 221
Summary: While the NCIS team investigates the link to a dead journalist and a Navy petty officer, Ziva is taken aback by the sudden emotional visit by her father, who she hasn't seen in more than two years. While Ziva questions the purpose of her father's visit as the Director of Mossad, her father insists he is in the U.S. strictly to see his daughter for Shabbat dinner. Ziva pays her a visit.



McGee stops by with word the victim was Tyler Wilkes a lowly-regarded journalist who is something of a government paparazzi. He's been working on story about drugs in the Navy and would have had many enemies.

Ducky tells Gibbs that Wilkes died via exsanguination and had several blows to his chest and abdomen. But the death was essentially an accident, as he had a case of mono of which he was likely unaware. One of the blows spit his liver. That said, the killer disposed of the body in a way that makes it clear he knew he had committed a homicide.

Open with a man fishing with his son. They end up hooking what appears to be a human ear.

Based on the uniform the dead body appears to be that of Petty Officer Second Class Grizmer. It has gashes on the head and hadn't been in the water long. But quickly they realize his uniform rank is wrong and his fingerprint doesn't show up in the active service member database.

Ziva finds a picture from when she wore a pregnancy prosthetic for an old case. Tony notices she was smiling.

Tony meets with Grizsmer. Grizsmer knowingly lent Wilkes his uniform in exchange for being kept out of the story. Wilkes wanted to get into Grizsmer's barracks to conduct research.

Grizsmer roommates are brought in and they are upset Wilkes was going through their stuff. They all confess to his murder.

After a workout Ziva is stunned to find her father Eli (Michael Nouri) hiding in her car. She thinks it was stupidly risk for him to travel in the U.S. Eli says he arrived that morning and says his business there is to see her. He assures her that his intentions are honorable.

Abby tells Gibbs that some high-end electronic equipment is missing from Wilkes' apartment. They still haven't found Wilkes' car.

Ziva tells Gibbs about Eli being in the country and even his own people at Mossad know he's there. She asks if he has any instructions. He wants her to keep him updated.

Vance's wife Jackie drops by his office with the exciting word that the kids will be gone that night and they'll have the place to themselves.

Ziva and Eli had lunch. She asks him about retirement. She wants him to repent for some of his past actions as a father and he seems interested in redemption.

Gibbs and Vance talk about Eli's presence in the country. Eli is supposedly on his way out at Mossad and they are worried he might be stirring up trouble during a precarious time for the Middle East. Vance had made a call to Homeland Security and learned that Eli's Iranian contemporary, Arash Kazmi, is also in Washington. They are concerned Eli is there to kill Kazmi.

Gibbs and Vance meet Eli and Ziva and mention Kazmi. Eli bring them to his hotel room, where Kazmi is waiting. It turns out Eli and Kazmi are childhood friends and are meeting in secret. The two recognize the need for open dialogue and are risking their lives to come together. They brought Vance in to help Eli remain in power. Eli thinks the potential for peace depends on it. Eli seems to be winning over Ziva.

Wilkes' car has been found. Inside the find a camera, along with a tablet on which his photos were backed up. They find pictures of his likely killer, but all that is visible is a hat.

Vance tells Jackie they need to have Eli over for dinner. She is not pleased.

Tony tells Gibbs that Grizsmer's bunkmates could not have killed Wilkes. They confessed just to make the story go away, as the story Wilkes was working on involved one of their friends. Ziva walks in and sees the picture of Wilkes mystery killer. Her face changes but she says nothing.

Ziva confronts Eli about lying about when he got to America. She shows him a picture of Wilkes' body. It turns out that Wilkes recognized him and began taking his picture. Eli tried to take the camera and a fight ensued. Eli covered up the murder. Ziva is distraught and doesn't think she can get past her father's sins. He asks her to join him for dinner at Vance's home, "one last time."

During dinner an angry Ziva leaves the table and walks outside to call Gibbs. During the call somebody opens fire on Vance's home, firing through the window into the dining room. Ziva chases the gunman, eventually wounding him and forcing him to crash his car and flee.

Tony and McGee arrive at the scene, while Gibbs helps Ziva track the gunman. Inside they see Vance is unharmed, but he is covered in someone else's blood. Gibbs and Ziva track the gunman to a garage, but he kills himself before then can get more information. Back at the house McGee tells them Jackie was hit and is on her way to the ambulance. Eli was killed and Ziva rushes to his body.

At the hospital the team waits hours for word on Jackie. There is concern that what happened to Eli will be a declaration of war.

Eventually Vance walks out and comes over to Gibbs. "She's dead. My wife is dead, Gibbs."

To be continued...

Shiva (2)

Season 10
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Season Episode: 12

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Recurring Role: Matt Craven (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis), Paula Newsome (Jackie Vance)
Guest Stars: Oded Fehr (Mossad Deputy Director Ilan Bodnar), Greg Germann (NCIS Deputy Director Jerome Craig), Nasser Faris (Arash Kazmi), Forry Smith (Duane Gustafson), Jack Axelrod (Shmeil Pinkhas), Georgia Hatzis (Gavriela Adel), Akinsola Aribio (Jared Vance), Kiara Muhammad (Kayla Vance), Gabi Coccio (13-Year Old Ziva David), Ben Morrison (Young Eli David), Kim Estes (Minister), Ryan Locke (Roland Ames), Zuanna Sherman (Bodyguard)
Production Code: 222
Summary: In the aftermath of an event that strikes close to home, the NCIS team unites to seek answers and demand justice in order to protect their most vulnerable colleagues.



Ziva remembers learning how to say the blessing with her father when she was a child.

Cut to present day, her praying in a synagogue, asking God why she should still have faith. Tony finds her. She's not in the mood for sympathy. She wants revenge.

At NCIS, Sec Nav Jarvis gets 48 hours from the Secretary of State before they tell Israel what happened. They caught the shooter, but not the ones who hired him. Jarvis is mad no one told him Eli David was in the country. Deputy Director Craig is on his way back to fill in for Vance.

In the morgue, Duckie puts Jackie Vance away. She died of a single gunshot. The shooter committed suicide by cyanide, but they haven't ID'd him. He also had less than six months to live, due to liver cancer.

Vance comes into the office to find Deputy Director Jerome Craig (Greg Germann) in his chair. He was buying chocolates for Jackie in Geneva when he got the news. He excuses himself. Vance asks to be part of the investigation. Jarvis will keep him in the loop, but says he can't be involved.

Outside, Craig assures Gibbs he's not interested in Vance's job permanently. Gibbs assures him he has his back.

McGee IDs the shooter as Roland Ames, a Swedish mercenary. Gibbs wants them to track down Eli's Iranian pal Kazmi – Gibbs dropped a bug in his pocket. They track him to Georgetown.

Down in the lab, Abby makes cookies. Ziva drops by. She knows she has to pretend her father is still alive. Ziva wants to know about the bullets, but Abby says she can't tell her.

Gibbs sidles up to Kazmi on the street. Gibbs pulls him into an alley and pulls a gun on him, demanding to know where Eli is. Once Gibbs is sure Kazmi doesn't know, Gibbs takes him in to NCIS to break the news.

Kazmi says he approached Eli about forging peace. To prove he's on Gibbs' side, he offers to share Iranian intelligence.

In MTAC, Tim chats with Gavriela Adel, their mole in Jerusalem, who has heard from her contacts that Eli David was going to visit Ziva. She says the First Wave group, a pro-Palestinian organization funded by an American billionaire named Gustafson, was out to get Eli David.

Back in the office, McGee finds a wire transfer of \$3 million to the shooter's ex wife just after the shooting.

Tony interviews Gustafson about First Wave. He admits contributing because of his oil ties in the Middle East. Gustafson is about to call his lawyer when Vance busts in, full of rage, and asks Gustafson what he thinks about collateral damage to innocent people. Craig diplomatically gets Vance out of the room, then asks him, on Jarvis' behalf, to take administrative leave.

Duckie finds Ziva in the dark morgue standing outside the drawer that holds her father. She wants to take his body to Israel for burial according to Jewish custom. Duckie agrees to help, despite the secret murder investigation.

Tony and Gibbs come down, telling her to go stay at Tony's because her place isn't safe. At Tony's she sees that he has brought in her old friend Shmiel for her to talk to.

Back at NCIS, Mossad Deputy Director Ilan Bodnar (Oded Fehr) comes looking for Ziva and Eli. He demands they call Jarvis. They call Gibbs instead.

At Tony's place in the middle of the night, he hears Ziva making troubled noises in her sleep.

Back at NCIS, Jerome Craig briefs Bodnar on Jackie and Eli's deaths. He assumes the Palestinians or Iranians are behind it – Craig tells him the Israelis have agreed to let NCIS lead the investigation and the Israelis prosecute. Bodnar doesn't agree to cooperate.

Gibbs meets Vance. He can't even tell his kids who killed her. Vance tells Gibbs he now understands some of what Gibbs has done, getting revenge for his wife's murder. He asks if it was worth it, but Gibbs doesn't answer. Vance asks Gibbs to catch whoever did it to keep war from breaking out.

At Tony's place, Ziva checks her email and learns Bodnar is in town. She's upset he's in the loop and she's not. Tony tells her to focus on grieving.

At NCIS, Abby finds the bullets were Russian, from a batch seized by Swedish police last year. They were smuggled by an Iranian named Omeed Abasi. He's not in the Iranian intelligence files Kazmi gave them. Gibbs talks to Kazmi, who knows Omeed's name and is surprised he wasn't in the intel files.

Craig and Gibbs believe him and don't think Kazmi's involved.

Bodnar drops by, angry over having learned that they believe Kazmi really wanted peace. He thinks Kazmi and Iran are responsible and says it could lead to war.

At Tony's place, Ziva sees an incoming video call on Tony's computer and answers. It's Bodnar, he wants to see her. When she says no, he says he'll just track her down.

Kazmi checks with his office and finds Omeed was in the files they sent – but there was a six hour lag from when they sent the files and when they arrived. They were hacked.

McGee tracks the wire transfer to the shooter's ex-wife to a bank account in the Caymans labeled Virtue. They call Ziva, who says Virtue is "Tohar" in Hebrew – Ilan Bodner's middle name. He's on his way to see her. They roll out.

Tony tells her where to find the gun taped to the back of his toilet.

Gibbs and Tony arrive there first. McGee reports Bodnar isn't at his hotel room.

Jarvis, Craig and Gibbs brief Kazmi on the fact Bodnar is behind Eli's death, trying to frame Iran and take over as director of Mossad. Gibbs commends him for trying to forge peace.

Kazmi gets a ride to the airport in an SUV. When his car stops on the street, it explodes in a giant fireball.

Ziva and Shmiel prepare to fly with Eli David's body to Israel. Tony comes to see her off. She gets choked up and gives him a hug. He whispers something in her ear in Hebrew. "I know," she says.

(We would need a Hebrew expert to verify this for sure, but the title of the song that plays for the rest of the episode is "You are not alone" which can be assumed is what Tony whispered in Ziva's ear)

The team goes to Jackie's graveside service. Leon consoles his children.

In Jerusalem, Ziva leaves a prayer in the wailing wall.

Hit and Run

Season 10
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Season Episode: 13

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Guest Stars: Brighton Sharbino (Young Abby Sciuto), Michael McGrady (Walter Dunn), Ed Kerr (Scott Cutwright), Michelle Clunie (Meredith Dunn), Robert Catrini (Jake Ford), Drew Rausch (Brandon Singer), Melody Butiu (Patricia Richert), Sy Richardson (Lester), Richard Balin (Marty), Michael Eaddy (Ricki's Father), Judith Drake (Delores), Cole Sand (Young Luca Sciuto), Corinne Massiah (Ricki Evans)
Production Code: 223
Summary: The NCIS team investigates a Marine's car accident and ignites some upsetting past memories for Abby as a young girl on the trail of her first case.



Civilian Lila Cutwright and Marine Lance Corporal Chad Dunn are the victims of the car crash.

At the scene, Duckie immediately notices Lila has a wound on her head that doesn't match the accident. There are no skid marks at the scene.

Gibbs declares it a possible murder-suicide and orders the car taken to Abby.

In the garage, Abby looks at the spiderweb impact on the windshield.

Flashback to Abby as a young girl playing in the junkyard with Luca, wondering how a truck windshield got the same crack. She finds a teddy bear in the

truck and resolves to get it back to the young owner, whoever she is.

Back in the garage, she doesn't want to tell McGee about it.

Upstairs, McGee worries about Abby. Gibbs comes in for a report. Lila Cutwright was 19, attending community college. Her father dropped her off at class yesterday.

Chad Dunn was 20, last seen leaving the barracks on weekend leave. Cutwright's father owns a drycleaner at Quantico and Dunn's father was stationed there 10 years ago. They knew each other as kids, but don't seem to have been in touch since fourth grade.

A decade ago the dads got in a fight and both men were charged with disorderly conduct.

Gibbs visits Duckie in the morgue. Dunn was ejected from the vehicle and died of blunt force trauma. He confirmed Lila was dead before the crash.

Abby is testing fragments of whatever hit her head and stuff that was under her nails. Duckie warns Gibbs that Abby is acting stranger than usual.

Gibbs visits Abby in the garage, where she has laid out all the evidence on the ground. She didn't find any DNA under Lila's nails and the murder weapon was made of chestnut.

She's spacey and distracted, but explains Cutwright was attacked when she was seated in the car facing out.

Flashback Young Abby cuts opens a 2 liter bottle and pours water in to magnify the name on the teddy bear's tag: Ricki Evans.

Ziva shows in Walter and Meredith Dunn. They run into Lila's dad Scott Cutwright, who accuses the Dunn's son of killing his daughter. Walter Dunn decks him.

Ziva sets the families up in separate interview rooms, neither will talk about their feud.

McGee finds a phone record that Lila Cutwright called 911 and hung up last week. Dunn called a disposable phone the night before the crash was discovered and multiple times in the days before.

Gibbs talks to the Dunns and Ziva sits down with Scott.

Walter says a decade ago Scott's wife died and he started spreading lies about his family. Scott tells Ziva he had an affair with Meredith and told Walter about it so she could leave him. Walter beat him badly. The kids knew about it. Walter claims it's ancient history.

Scott and Meredith exchanged letters last year and Scott says she was ready to leave Walter this time.

In the lab, Abby tells Gibbs that at the time of the crash, Chad was unconscious. First the killer whacked Lila then shoved Chad's head against the car and put him behind the wheel, using the murder weapon to hold down the gas pedal. But she was wrong, it wasn't chestnut, it was aluminum. She gets defensive and yells at Gibbs that she's not perfect.

Flashback Abby brings Ricki her teddy bear back. Ricki's mom died in the car crash and her funeral is today. Ricki explains that she can't have the bear because her grandfather gave it to her and she's only allowed to see him with her mom. Ricki's dad sees Abby with the bear and is mad at his daughter.

McGee and Gibbs trace the disposable phone Dunn called to his cousin, Brandon Singer, who owns an alternative energy company.

They find him tinkering with solar panels in the back yard of his house. Brian says he was supposed to go hiking with Chad, but he canceled. Chad and Lila were dating secretly. They reconnected after Chad found the love letters Scott wrote to Meredith and Chad tracked the Cutwrights down.

Brian says Chad was afraid what his dad might do if he found out about them.

Back at NCIS, Walter Dunn told Gibbs he was home at the time of the accident.

Gibbs says Abby called in sick, so they'll have to pick up the slack for her. He wants McGee to run DNA.

Gibbs meets with Meredith for coffee. She says she doesn't love her husband anymore, but he was home with her at the time of the crash.

In the garage, Tony and Ziva try to catalogue the evidence according to Abby's complicated system. They find a bank receipt for a \$15,000 cash withdrawal.

Gibbs visits McGee in the lab, he's been trying to run Walter Dunn's DNA but Major Mass Spec won't cooperate. He checks the "Abby's Lab for Dummies" book (he's featured on the cover). Gibbs tells McGee to find Abby and make sure she's OK.

Meanwhile, Abby calls out Bingo numbers for old people. McGee finds her there after tracing her phone. He tells her everyone is worried about her. She shows him a small pink felt heart.

Flashback to young Abby with the teddy bear, with the heart stitched into it. She takes it to Jake's barbershop. Jake is Ricki's grandfather. Abby suggests he take the bear to her, but he says it's bigger than what she can understand.

Grown up Abby gets overwhelmed by the idea that bad things outweigh the good things, in which case why should she even try?

Back at NCIS, they find the \$15,000 came from Lila Cutwright's trust account. They found job searches on the Cutwright's computer in the city where Camp Pendleton is, where Dunn was being transferred. They think Lila was moving with Chad. Chad also tried to get a loan for \$5,000, but was turned down.

Tony and Gibbs talk to the loan officer, who really wanted to give Chad the money but couldn't justify it. Chad said he wanted to use it for an investment in something solar, but the paperwork made her nervous.

Ziva and Gibbs take a search warrant to Brian, and accuse him of taking their \$15,000 in a Ponzi scheme. He denies killing them, but Tony finds an aluminum bat in his Dumpster.

In the office, Abby tries to write a note to McGee.

Flashback Abby watches Ricki's dad pack their things into a moving van. She watches as Ricki comes out and sees the stuffed bunny Abby left for her. Abby hangs onto Ricki's teddy bear.

Gibbs finds Abby with the pink felt heart from the bear. She tells Gibbs about having a bear as a kid that she loved to pieces.

She tells Gibbs she's trying to find a way to be OK with not being able to do enough good. He tells her she can't always see the payoff of the good she does.

He reminds her of the first day they met, when she gave him the fortune from her cookie because she wanted it to be about him.

He pulls it out of his wallet. "The things you do mean something to people," he tells her.

Flashback to Abby in her childhood home, surrounded by hippos and early goth gear. She cries to Luca that she couldn't fix things so Ricki could see her grandfather again. He assures her Ricki won't forget that Abby gave her her rabbit.

Back in the present, Abby reads the fortune: "Today's new friend is tomorrow's family."

Canary

Season 10
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Season Episode: 14

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Guest Stars: Greg Germann (NCIS Deputy Director Jerome Craig), Vik Sahay (Ajay Khan), Ethan Rains (NCIS Systems Administrator Kevin Hussein), Russell Richardson (Army Sergeant Chad Spooner), Stacey Hinnen (Delivery Driver), Geoffrey Wade (Air Force Brigadier General Jack Mandrake), Johnny Kostrey (Air Force Crew Chief)
Production Code: 224
Summary: The team looks into a hacker that could lead them to the most-wanted cyber terrorist in the world.



A guy on a bike wants to get in the front door of a building, but is stopped by McGee, who tells him to use the back. He goes in the back and gets whacked by a homeless man throwing trash out of a Dumpster – it's Gibbs.

The man, who is Middle Eastern, keeps walking and passes Ziva all dolled up gabbing on her cell phone. The man gets suspicious and takes her hostage. Gibbs draws.

The man tries to lead Ziva out, but when he passes the Dumpster, Tony pops up and grabs him, Ziva decks him and NCIS gets their man and his laptop.

He's been on the Most Wanted list.

Back at NCIS, Tony enjoys the capture. They took down Ajay Khan, the guy who hacked into MTAC last month, the No. 2 cyber terrorist, who they hope can lead them to No. 1. But in the meantime, the network is down.

Tony complains to Kevin from IT about the delay. He explains there are new security measures in place. Kevin gives Ziva a flier about an improv comedy night to give to McGee. Because of his beard, he says, he usually ends up playing a bumbling terrorist.

In interrogation, Ajay calls his lawyer, who can't make it until tomorrow. Gibbs doesn't care and forces Ajay to look at photos of Agent James Hunt, who was undercover when Ajay's hack took down the system and exposed him.

All Ajay knows about his employer is that he goes by M.C., but he doesn't know where he is. Ajay is glib and dismissive of Gibbs' threats, calling him a technological dinosaur.

Out in the hall, Gibbs tells Tony he said "UP address" instead of "IP" so Ajay would think they're dumb.

In the lab, McGee takes Ajay's laptop apart as Abby supervises closely. McGee is impressed by Khan's credentials – he also went to MIT and remembers a hack Ajay pulled there. With the laptop's power bypassed, McGee turns it on. The motherboard starts smoking, failure.

Down in the morgue, Duckie explains that Ajay is motivated only by money. He doesn't have any family or friends, he's the ultimate narcissist. Duckie thinks he would worry about losing it all or dying. Khan double crossed a terrorist group that's now being held in Guantanamo.

In MTAC, Gibbs conferences with Air Force Brigadier General Jack Mandrake to arrange a three hour intimidation trip for Khan to Gitmo. NCIS Deputy Director Jerome Craig joins Gibbs and balks at the idea of doing something off-book.

Gibbs visits Abby in the lab. She captured some of Khan's computer booting up on film before it fried. With screen capture of the video, she has an address of a warehouse in Anacostia.

Tony and Ziva check out the warehouse, which is big, dark and empty. Except for the dead body on the ground, covered in sores. Tony suggests the Hazmat team.

Back in interrogation, Gibbs Khan photos of the dead man, killed by ebola. He was the warehouse caretaker who doubled as a bomb maker.

Gibbs mocks the use of ebola as unoriginal. He mocks Khan, saying he bets he's not even the brains of the operation. Khan boasts that they should just wait a few days to find out. Gibbs has what he needed. Meanwhile, McGee waits in the hall with an orange jumpsuit.

Andrews Air Force Base Khan is shackled and strapped into a transport plane to Guantanamo. Ziva and Tony join him. Khan tells Gibbs he doesn't believe they're going to Guantanamo.

Gibbs gets off the plane as they close the doors and power up.

Gibbs visits Duckie in the locked-down morgue, where the ebola victim is on a slab. Duckie found a cut on his finger, which could be how he was given it. Duckie thinks he was given a weakened strain of the virus.

Craig comes to get Gibbs to go over the plan. He's not sure what to do if Khan doesn't start talking before the plane lands. Gibbs says it'll be up to Craig.

On the flight, Tony has to hold a barf bag for Khan. Ziva tells Khan that his former employers are at Guantanamo. Khan doesn't think they have the power to arrange to put him in holding with them.

Craig visits Abby in the lab. She found the ebola strain was developed as a vaccine by the CDC, but their system was hacked and the vaccine was shipped as a flu vaccine. Craig realizes this means that anyone who opens the boxes for the flu vaccines could unknowingly release ebola, putting hundreds or thousands of lives in danger.

Tony takes a call on the plane that it's time to change the game.

Khan still isn't taking them seriously as the crew tells Tony and Ziva to strap in for the descent into Gitmo. Tony takes out a syringe and injects Khan with something, knocking him out.

Back at NCIS, Kevin the IT guy nervously looks around for Gibbs with a replacement phone. Abby announces she has tracked the ebola shipment to the GPS-equipped delivery trucks.

Craig calls for Kevin.

Khan wakes up shackled in a cell with Tony and Ziva looking over him. He hears shouting in Arabic, Ziva translates: "Give him to me, you pig, you coward. Die!"

They leave Khan alone in his cell, surrounded by screaming terrorists.

Metro PD helps NCIS set up a DUI checkpoint to intercept the delivery van. Gibbs and McGee see it approaching.

Ziva and Tony bring Khan a tray of food, which he throws across his room. He still refuses to talk.

An army guard tells Tony and Ziva the base commander wants to see one of them, but because Khan isn't legally supposed to be there, one of them has to stay with him.

Khan enjoys seeing them busted. The guard leaves Tony a walkie talkie.

Back in DC, Gibbs and McGee pull the confused delivery driver out of the van.

In his cell, Khan waxes about grunge music. Tony tries to understand his motivation. Khan says it's about a steady paycheck and power. Tony compares Khan to Tony Curtis' character in "Spartacus," who just "minced around giving people sponge baths" and had no real power.

The cell door opens and Tony notices the guards are gone and the cameras are off. Khan thinks it's all part of the ruse until the lights go out, an alert comes over the loudspeakers and they hear gunfire in the distance.

Tony was required to check his gun at the gate per base protocol and he can't reach anyone on the radio. They hear shouting in the distance.

Ziva radios back, telling Tony the entire security system is down. It may have been hacked. Khan thinks his boss found out he was there and thinks he's going to flip.

Ziva radios Tony that other cell doors have opened. Tony goes to investigate, telling Khan to shut his cell door.

A guard walks into the cell block and starts to explain when another prisoner's door opens and he attacks the guard. Tony tries to help but is shot in the leg. Khan hides in his cell.

In DC, with the truck enclosed in a Hazmat tent, McGee and Gibbs don Hazmat suits and find the box with the ebola virus. It's rigged to blow.

Back in Gitmo, the prisoner throws Tony to the ground, gets the guard's gun and shoots him. Tony holds his wounded leg. The prisoner is about to shoot him when Ziva comes and shoots the prisoner in the back.

Tony and Ziva go for cover in Khan's cell as they hear more cell doors open. They have eight bullets to fend off an angry mob.

Back in DC, everyone runs for cover from the ebola bomb. It explodes in the tent, but is contained.

Gibbs gets a call from Craig.

Back in Khan's cell, Tony uses his belt as a tourniquet for his leg. Ziva translates a terrorist banging on the other side of the door, saying he'll let Tony and Ziva go if they give him Khan. Tony thinks about it, then agrees as Ziva points out Khan has been of no use to them yet.

They're about to open the door and throw Khan out when he agrees to talk. Ziva holds the cell door shut as it's banged on from the outside as Khan tells McGee back in DC how he contacts "MC."

McGee doesn't believe Khan's first answer and cites an old hacking trick Khan used at MIT to make Khan tell the truth. He gives them MC's IP address so McGee can track him. They radio Gibbs the all clear.

The lights come on in the cell, Tony takes the tourniquet off his "hurt" leg and the cell door opens to reveal Gibbs in the hallway and an unhurt "guard" and "prisoner."

Kevin the improv terrorist comes out and practices screaming in Arabic.

The team leaves the holding facility at Andrews in the blowing snow – they were never in Cuba.

Hereafter

Season 10
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Season Episode: 15

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Guest Stars: Greg Germann (NCIS Deputy Director Jerome Craig), Jeff Denton (Marine C.O. Captain Jonah Ellis), Joseph Fuhr (Marine Private First Class David Holland), Peter Navy Tuiasosopo (Charles "Chucky Bang" Kang), Reiley McClendon (Marine Private Brad Sykes), Kelly Smith (Emily Miller), Frantz Turner (Abe Mathison), Pat Asanti (Ruben Williams), Kiara Muhammad (Kayla Vance), Akinsola Aribio (Jared Vance)
Production Code: 225
Summary: While grieving for the deaths of his wife and the mother of his children, Director Vance comes across personal information he didn't expect and they make him doubt everything.



A Marine leads the pack on a training course, but at the top of the wall, he starts bleeding from his nose, falls and dies.

At the office, the team complains about NCIS Deputy Director Jerome Craig (Greg Germann), who's been filling in for Vance for two months now. Gibbs interrupts with the body of the week: a dead Marine at Quantico. But first, Jerome Craig pesters Gibbs to see if he has heard anything about when Vance might return.

At home alone, Vance remembers Eli David's toast with his family, the night he

and his wife were killed. Going through his wife's files, he finds a bank statement with a huge balance and keys to a safe deposit box.

On the obstacle course, the victim is Lance Cpl Gabe Crow, 23. He has defensive wounds on his hands, bruises on his head and weird cuts on his leg.

At the bank, Vance can't close out the account because it's in Jackie's name only. He checks out the safe deposit box, which contains their marriage certificate, some of her jewelry and files from Mathison & Burke law offices and a big wad of \$100 bills.

The victim rundown back at NCIS: Crow was raised by a single mom, was training for weapons tech, about to deploy on his first tour and had a spotless record. He spent time in juvie as a teenager but graduated at the top of his college class. McGee finds chat room records. Crow's mother got a call from him three days ago and said he sounded "agitated." He was sending her cash to help with her mortgage.

Private David Holland from Quantico comes to talk to Gibbs. Crow was involved in illegal backroom fighting in clubs in DC. Holland saw him sneak off base last night and come back beat up after midnight.

Vance goes to talk to Jackie's lawyer, Abe Mathison, who drew up the documents to separate their property. The lawyer can't tell Leon anything other than she hired him last May.

Vance leaves and calls someone to pick his kids up at school.

In the morgue, Duckie reports Crow had 13 wounds over the past few days or week. He died of cerebral hemorrhage from taking repeated hits to the head. The weird marks on his legs are older puncture wounds. He also had a stitched up wound in his side with plastic in it. His nails were split, meaning his killer will have wounds.

Gibbs worries about Vance.

Back in the office, they watch street fighting videos and find deposits to Crow's account after the fights. There's a sign for Williams Fruit Company in the video.

Jerome Craig comes to Gibbs with messages that the base commander has called three times about the investigation into Crow's death. Vance shows up, announcing he's ready to work – on the floor with Gibbs' NCIS team. Gibbs gently questions his motives and the team makes room for him.

At the fruit company, Gibbs and Tony talk to Ruben Williams, the owner, who knows nothing about the fight club. He recognizes one of his employees from the video as "Chucky Bang," a giant Samoan.

Back in interrogation, Chucky recognizes Crow's photo but says he hasn't seen him for three months. He says he was in the ER last night with digestive issues, but they notice his hands are covered in cuts. He says Crow quit fighting, but was good at it.

Tony confirms Chucky's alibi. Vance pipes up, saying Holland was written up twice for fighting with Crow, including three days before he died. Holland called for the ambulance, but not until 30 minutes after Crow died.

Vance and Gibbs pick Holland up from Quantico. Back at NCIS in interrogation, Holland says the write ups on his behavior are wrong and they called the paramedics late because they were trying to save him. He doesn't have any scratches or wounds on his arms.

Down in the lab, Abby explains Crow's side and leg wounds came from a jagged fiberglass tool. The stitches were bad enough she think he did it himself – and more than once from the same injury happening over and over again.

In the office, McGee looks into weapons Holland might have checked out and if he had any mental issues. Gibbs is surprised to learn that Vance sent Ziva and Tony on assignment. Gibbs tries to tell Vance they can handle things and he should go home, but Vance won't listen. Craig suggests to Gibbs that Vance might not be fit to be at work, but Gibbs argues they need to give him time.

Ziva and Tony watch over the Vance kids.

Gibbs finds Vance staring off into space in the break room. Vance shows him the legal files he found. He's rattled to think he might not have known everything about his wife. He wants answers. Gibbs assures Vance that Jackie loved him and urges him to go home to his kids. Then he tells Vance not to come back until he's ready to be there.

McGee reports no mental issues in Holland's records, but he did find a lot of communications with Crow. Holland got access to the weapons room the night before Crow's death.

Vance comes home to find Tony chasing his kids around the house with a pizza box on his head. He's happy to see them happy. Ziva tells Vance she's sorry about his wife's death, given that it wouldn't have happened if her father hadn't been there. Vance tells her not to worry about it.

Gibbs and McGee go to Holland's room at Quantico and find him dead on the bathroom floor.

In the morgue, Duckie reports Holland was also beaten over the same time period as Crow, but not as severely. His spleen ruptured. He had the same fiberglass bits in a wound.

McGee finds three other Quantico Marines with similar injuries in the last three weeks. They look into their CO, Jonah Ellis, in his first command since returning from Afghanistan. Jonah's brother was captured, tortured and killed in Afghanistan. He had the same wounds that the Quantico Marines do. Duckie calls it emotional transference.

At Quantico, Gibbs and Vance try to talk to Ellis alone but his unit backs him up. He says he's trying to toughen them up.

Back at NCIS, Vance drops in on Craig in his office. He asks Craig if he has a suitcase packed and says he'll be in touch.

Vance finds Gibbs in his basement, refurbishing a cast iron stove. Gibbs gives Vance papers – Shannon increased his life insurance at one point, worried he wouldn't return from overseas. Gibbs points out that Jackie did everything right after the attack on NCIS, she was preparing for life after him. Gibbs urges him to be OK for his kids. He says Jackie couldn't tell him what she was doing because she knew Vance would have left the job he loved. Vance asks what he's building, but Gibbs isn't saying.

Detour

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Guest Stars: Valerie Cruz (Anna), Robert Gant (Mike Dunkel), Ricky Whittle (Lincoln), Joe Reegan (Marcus), JoNell Kennedy (Navy Commander Lisa Cleveland), Peter Breitmayer (Dwight Romano), Valerie Wildman (Valerie Kordish), Brent McGregor (Rodney Romano)
Production Code: 226
Summary: After Ducky and Jimmy fail to return to headquarters following a crime scene investigation, the rest of the NCIS team works to locate the disappearing duo.



Plumbers show up at a suburban house when they see a badly wounded man stumbling down the street, holding his stomach. He rummages through their truck and chugs the drain cleaner then froths at the mouth and keels over.

Back at NCIS, Palmer counts out \$200 cash for McGee. They try to hide their transaction from Ziva and Tony. McGee gets busted for having a ticket connection and Tony feels left out.

Gibbs announces the dead body of the week: a dead officer in Richmond, two hours away.

At the scene, the victim is Lt. Gordon Roth. He was chased by police for running a stop sign before appearing on the

street. He's been shot in the stomach and has bloody and broken knuckles, but died from the drain cleaner. Palmer and Duckie load the body in the van. Duckie plans to take the back roads to avoid the forecast snow.

An unseen person in a black SUV watches them leave and gets orders from a woman on the phone not to lose them. The SUV follows the coroner's van.

Back at NCIS, they learn Roth was sent to work in the Office of Naval Research after suffering hearing loss in Iraq and was an expert on high end military encryption, despite not having a degree.

Duckie drives while Palmer does a crossword on his laptop. Their van won't go above 50 mph. One of their tires blows out, which Palmer finds weird since he just changed it.

McGee explains to Tony that his cousin works for a concert promoter and occasionally gets him tickets. He didn't tell Tony because he knew he'd take advantage of it. They meet with Commander Lisa Cleveland, Roth's CO, who says he was very stable.

Roth oversaw the Navy's highly classified materials, the kind people might kill for.

On the side of a country road, Palmer finishes changing the tire, which Duckie examines with a magnifying glass to find the blowout. He finds a bullet.

A woman pulls up in a Mercedes and opens the back of the van while her goon holds a gun on Duckie and Palmer. She searches Roth's body, then announces "it" isn't there. They switch to plan B, which involves kidnapping Palmer and Duckie.

Gibbs goes down to the morgue for an update and is surprised to find Duckie isn't there.

Meanwhile, the ME's van pulls up to a cabin in the woods. There's a blood stain on the floor. They clap Duckie and Palmer in leg irons. The woman wants Duckie to conduct his autopsy in the cabin. She sends her men Lincoln and Marcus back to the scene to look for "it."

Gibbs visits Abby, who has the results from Roth's car and his GPS-enabled camera, which puts him in a park taking pictures before he died. She calls Duckie then Palmer and both their phones are off. She tries to trace Palmer's phone, but the error code tells her his battery has been removed.

Back upstairs, they know Palmer called the motor pool to report the flat. McGee traces the location of the call and pulls up surveillance footage, which shows the SUV trailing the van.

Duckie and Palmer cut open Roth in the cabin. Roth had a hearing aid, which Duckie can find no physiological need for. Duckie suggests the shooter was about 6 feet tall and skin cells under his nails show the shooter was white. Duckie opens Roth's stomach, sending their captors outside for fresh air. Duckie tries to come up with a plan to get free.

Back at NCIS, they have found the shot out tire on the side of the road and footprints and tire tracks. Tony reports Roth had an off shore bank account, funded by Cuban sources, a violation of Navy code. Old documents show that Roth's signature changed at some point. Lt. Roth is not Lt. Roth.

In the cabin, Palmer uses not-Roth's stomach acid to eat through his leg irons while Duckie rewires his hearing aid to use as a microphone to listen to their captors outside. Roth was supposed to bring them a package and they plan to kill Duckie and Palmer when they're done with the autopsy.

Abby runs facial recognition and confirms from Roth's high school photo that the victim isn't Roth. The imposter switched in 10 years ago on his Naval induction day, after he'd passed security clearances.

Roth's been using his CO's access codes to download classified files once a month. They think he's a mole.

Abby has ID'd Lt. Michael Dunkel's blood at the crime scene.

Back at the cabin at night, Duckie reviews the plan with Palmer.

With their captors back in the room, they explain that Roth was shot from his own gun during the course of a struggle. They suggest his attacker's prints might be on his gun. The woman gives her goons the OK to kill Duckie and Palmer.

Duckie suggests they held back information to ensure their safety.

The woman catches Palmer eyeing a teapot on the stove and Duckie is chagrined. She finds a gym locker key that they tell her Roth swallowed. Duckie tries to keep Palmer from talking, but he nervously babbles about finding the key and methane gas and a reaction with drain cleaner.

Duckie admits they're stalling - waiting for the cigarette to ignite the gauze in the oven.

Duckie and Palmer back away and the oven explodes, catching Marcus on fire. The cabin fills with smoke as the woman and Lincoln struggle to put out the flames. They realize Marcus is dead and Palmer and Duckie are gone.

In interrogation, Dunkel denies knowing Roth, even though he has a giant shiner. After some Gibbs yelling, Dunkel admits Roth was sleeping with his wife, Commander Lisa Cleveland.

He confronted Roth, but Roth pulled a gun. They struggled, the gun went off and Dunkel ran. He denies knowing about anything else.

Duckie and Palmer run through the woods, heading for the highway.

At NCIS, they confirm Roth's affair with Cleveland, whom he was sleeping with for her access codes. Roth had to kill himself so his operation wouldn't be compromised if he was captured. They think Roth's handlers took the body and Duckie and Palmer.

In the woods in the middle of the night, Duckie and Palmer hear gunshots. They left a message for Gibbs at the cabin, but don't know when he'll find it. Palmer snagged one of their guns in the confusion.

At NCIS, McGee gets a report of the SUV at a national forest, where people asked to rent the most remote cabin two weeks ago. They run the plates and find it's registered to a shell company that uses the same bank that funded Roth's offshore account.

In the woods, Duckie twists his ankle on a rock. They hear another gunshot. Duckie tells Palmer to leave him.

Gibbs and the team pull into the park in the pitch dark. They find the cabin and R9 carved into Roth's foot: Rule 9, Never go anywhere without a knife. They see a scalpel stuck in a mounted animal head and head out in the direction it's pointing.

In the dark, Duckie calls out for Palmer. Lincoln finds him and holds a gun on him, telling him to call for Palmer.

Suddenly Palmer busts out of the woods and empties his gun into Lincoln, who drops. Jimmy's reeling from the shock when Lincoln gets to his feet and holds his gun on them. He's about to fire when Gibbs and the team find them.

Another day, the woman goes to a gym and opens a locker. She finds a jersey with Palmer's name on it. The NCIS team finds her.

They have the USB Roth put in a sewer drain, they didn't mention the sewage they found under his nails. The key and locker belong to Palmer. "You've been played," Duckie announces.

Prime Suspect

Season 10
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Guest Stars: Matt Jones (Probationary Agent Ned Dorneget), Mathew St. Patrick (Metro Detective Quinton Shard), Richard Boone (Keir O'Donnell), Paul Cassell (Bart Crowley), Jay Acovone (Frankie Dean), Dean Cameron (Derek Magyar), Andrea Bogart (Melissa Tourney), Dio Johnson (Marine Lance Corporal Douglas Alexander), Jamie Hill (Chloe Chandler)
Production Code: 227
Summary: A media frenzy surrounding an unidentified criminal prompts Gibbs' barber to question his son's involvement and ask for Gibbs' help in ruling out his son as a prime suspect.



A woman gets out of her shower and ends up getting stabbed in her bathroom.

Gibbs gets his hair cut as a TV news reporter Bart Crowley attributes the murder to the Dead Rose Slasher. Gibbs' barber Frankie is worried about his son Cameron, who's been acting strange since he got out of the Navy.

The Dead Rose Slasher sketch looks like his son. The murders started four years ago when Cameron was in college, then stopped for three years while he was in the Navy, and started when he came back home.

Frankie tells Gibbs that Cameron was thrown out of college because he was accused of date rape. The charges were dropped, but Frankie is worried because Cameron wasn't home on the nights of the last two murders. Gibbs offers to look into it to put Frankie's mind at ease.

At NCIS, Tony tells Probationary Agent Ned Dorneget that he has to take a newly re-instated probie test, the GS 11. Dorneget thought it wasn't given anymore, but Ziva says it's serious stuff.

The team pulls up surveillance of Lance Corporal Douglas Alexander driving off the base at Norfolk three days ago with a passenger. He stole over \$120,000 from the office he was assigned to. Abby has ID'd the passenger as Melissa Tourney, a civilian.

The team tells Gibbs that Vance is looking for him, but Gibbs leaves.

At a crime scene of a Dead Rose attempted murder, Gibbs pumps the detective for info. They have no forensics, all they know is he's left handed. So is Cameron.

At NCIS, they've confirmed Melissa Tourney just flew to the Bahamas. Gibbs sends Tony and Dorneget to apprehend Anderson.

Gibbs visits Duckie in the morgue, to get him to ask his Metro ME friend if there's any information to rule out a suspect in the Dead Rose Slasher case.

McGee warns Dorneget not to let Tony pull rank on him on their trip.

Meanwhile, Ziva and McGee look into Cameron Dean. He left college after the date rape allegation in his sophomore year. He doesn't have a criminal record. Gibbs tells them why he's looking into it.

Vance drops by Gibbs' basement, bearing brownies. He got a call from chief of Metro detectives and knows Duckie talked to the Metro ME. Gibbs tells him it's not official, he's just checking something out for a friend.

McGee watches Cameron Dean at a packed bar. Ziva sidles up to him at the bar. He's taking pictures of a girl in the corner and isn't interested in Ziva at all. When the girl leaves, he follows. She fits the profile of the other victims.

Tony relaxes poolside in the Bahamas, on stakeout. Dorneget joins him. Melissa is hanging out by the pool, with no sign of Douglas Alexander.

At NCIS, McGee and Ziva report that Cameron followed the woman home last night, then went home.

Metro Detective Bill Shard drops in on Gibbs, demanding the name of his suspect. Gibbs gives him nothing.

Shard chats up Ziva on his way out.

Duckie reports to Gibbs that the two recent murders were the same as the ones three years ago and were committed by someone left handed, using the same knife for each. The ME told him all the victims were IV drug users, and he knows there's something they're not telling him.

On the beach, Dorneget shoots down Tony's attempts to senior agent boss him. Tony notices Melissa checking him out and goes to talk to her. She thinks Tony and Dorneget are a couple.

At NCIS, they watch a Crowley news report about another Dead Rose Slasher victim. Shard calls Gibbs to tell him he's picking up Cameron Dean as a suspect. He read Dean's name off Ziva's desk.

Gibbs tells McGee to pick Dean up first, has Ziva check that the victim isn't the woman Dean followed and he goes to talk to his barber.

Gibbs tells Frankie that they got careless and his son is going to be questioned.

In interrogation at NCIS, Gibbs talks to Cameron. He says he went to look for work at a construction company first thing in the morning. Gibbs asks why he was following the woman last night. Cameron says she's the wife of an old shipmate of his who worried she might be cheating. He followed her to make sure.

Detective Shard busts into the interrogation viewing room and demands NCIS release Cameron to his custody. When Gibbs joins them, Vance says Metro PD is sending over their evidence for NCIS review since they're backed up.

In the Bahamas, Dorneget is buried in his NCIS regulation manual studying for the GS 11 when he looks up and sees Douglas Anderson walk into the resort.

Melissa goes to meet him and Tony intercepts Anderson in the lobby. He turns to run and decks Dorneget. Anderson runs through the hotel and out onto the beach, where Tony and Dorneget manage to tackle him.

Vance asks Abby to help his daughter with her science project. She's thrilled.

Metro PD's forensic specialist Ramsey Boone, an old friend of Abby's, brings the Dead Rose Slasher evidence to the garage.

McGee confirms Cameron's Navy friend did ask him to follow his wife, and Ziva confirms Cameron did go to the construction site looking for work.

Tony and Dorneget bring Anderson back in custody and most of the money he stole.

Abby and Boone plow through the evidence in her lab. Gibbs drops by with Caf Pows. Abby reports that the Slasher left a plain silver wedding band in each of his victim's mouths and only three people knew: the Metro ME, Detective Shard and Boone.

Abby found the killer's DNA on a rose thorn left on the second victim. It doesn't belong to Cameron Dean; it belongs to Leo Winkler, a man who died after the early murders. The most recent ones were by a copy cat.

Dorneget is psyched they're working on the Dead Rose Slasher case; he taped all the news coverage to stay up on the case while they were gone.

Winkler was born to a drug addicted woman whose name was Rose, which is why he left roses on the victims. They explain why Dean couldn't have done it.

Dean asks Gibbs why they suspected him. They run into his dad and Cameron walks off angry that his dad thought he was a serial killer. Gibbs goes after him and urges him to talk to him.

Vance and Gibbs ask Shard who else could have known about the wedding rings in the victims' mouths. Shard realizes he gave a redacted report on the Slasher to the TV reporter covering the case, Bart Crowley.

McGee reviews the documents and finds Shard missed blacking out one reference to the wedding band in the file. Crowley didn't have any major stories during the three year murder lull, but now he's back in the spotlight. They go to check where he was yesterday morning.

Vance finds Dorneget studying for his GS 11 exam and tells him they haven't given that test for years. Ziva only went along because Tony pulled the same stunt with her and she studied for three months. Vance suggests they teach Tony a lesson.

Up in NCIS, Ziva finds Bart Crowley's car was parked two blocks away from yesterday's crime scene. His cell phone was off during the time of the murder. Dorneget volunteers that Crowley is left handed.

Shard goes to get a warrant and Dorneget leaves an important-looking inter office memo envelope on Tony's desk.

Crowley gives a report on the latest murder when Gibbs and Shard pull up and interrupt. They tell him about the copycat and that they just found roses, rings and a knife in the suspect's apartment - his. Crowley's camera crew records his arrest.

Tony comes in in the morning and opens his memo, his Bahamas expense report. It's been rejected and he's being audited for the past two years.

Frankie cuts Gibbs hair again. Cameron comes in as Gibbs leaves.

Gibbs watches the men talk and calls his dad.

Seek

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Season Episode: 18

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Guest Stars: Kelli Barrett (Ruby Lemere), Billy Smith (Jim Virgil), Michael Wiseman (Chet Tyber), Graham Beckel (Norman Pittorino), Michael Grant Terry (Marine Sergeant Ted Lemere), Linara Washington (Lara Morgan), Sterling Jones (Marine Captain Dale Martens), Sarah Hagan (Sandy), Aaron Jaeger (Marine Corporal David Ryan), Carole Gutierrez (Woman), Lucy Davenport (Maria), Lee Broda (Afghan Mother), Noble Tabibian (Middle Eastern Boy 1), Miles Mendelsohn (Middle Eastern Boy 2)
Production Code: 228
Summary: A marine skilled in K-9 bomb detection is killed on duty in Afghanistan and his wife begs the NCIS team to conduct their own investigation.



Open in a war zone as a bomb-sniffing dog helps get a kid out of a mine field. Just after the child is rescued the dog's handler is shot by an unseen sniper.

The team discusses Vance having trouble picking a nanny for his kid. A woman drops by looking for Gibbs. She is the wife of Ted, the man killed in Kabul in the opening. The military has told her he was killed by an enemy sniper, but she shows him a message he sent her about having done something stupid that "will piss some people off." It was sent the day before his death.

Ducky says the cause of death was a sniper wound and he's not sure the distance. The helmet trapped a small piece of metal.

Abby looks at the metal shard which is part of a armor-piercing alloy produced in the United States.

The team tells Gibbs that a James Virgil witnessed Ted's death. Word is that Ted's station had recently lost several clips of ammo.

Virgil tells the team he never saw the sniper, just heard it. He says Ted and his dog Dex helped save their lives. Virgil gets angry when he's asked if Ted had any enemies. Virgil said he had recently offered him a job and that Ted didn't want any trouble.

Gibbs asks Ted's widow if he had any issues at work, anything on the base with other Marines. She says he was easy-going, then starts to talk about a fight he'd had at the base six months earlier. It was with a trainer named Pit who Ted thought had been rough with Dex. Since he's only four, Dex will be headed by to the war.

Vance meets with yet another potential nanny. The team tells Gibbs that Pit's real name is Norman. He's a 61-year old civilian contractor, the Marines' dog whisperer who recently returned to the states. The incident report said that punches were thrown and the two were ordered to stay away from one another.

McGee and Anthony stop by to see Norman, who immediately lets two attack dogs loose on them.

Norman is brought to NCIS where he's questioned by McGee and Anthony. He says Ted was too overprotective of Dex but assures them there was no bad blood. He says he recommended Ted for the post he had because he thought him and Dex were "top shelf."

Vance interviews one more nanny, a young one with a social media obsession. Afterwards he tells Gibbs the whole nanny idea was a huge mistake. Gibbs gives him a brief update on the Ted case.

Ted's widow brings Dex to the office. She shows Gibbs an expensive-looking necklace she received from him in the mail. It was dated two weeks ago.

Abby analyzing the necklace and finds the gem and jewels are real. The design seems Middle Eastern.

Gibbs walks Ted's widow home and she thanks him for his help. She goes inside and Dex begins growling. He goes after a robber and is able to pull something out of hand and force him to drop jewelry. Gibbs doesn't think the intruder was after the jewels.

The team figures out the pendant on the necklace contains the crest of a wealthy Afghani family who owned a jewelry shop but has left the country for Pakistan. It's worth about \$9,000.

Gibbs tells Vance he thinks the team should go to Afghanistan. He takes McGee and Dex.

The NCIS team arrives in Afghanistan and is told they believe they've found the sniper. He was killed and the Marines say it was Virgil and his contractors.

Back in the states Ziva talks to Vance about his nanny choice. He admits being worried that hiring someone will make it feel like he's moving on and make his wife's death more final. She tells him to use his own timeline.

Gibbs thinks the sniper would have targeted the dog before he would the handler. Virgil and another military contractor tell Gibbs the Marines were the ones who got the sniper. They both say they heard the shot come from the mountain, which is where the Taliban were rounded up. Gibbs tells him what they heard was the echo and the sniper is still at large.

Abby finds a dog hair on the shirt sleeve Dex ripped off the attacker. It's from a Doberman, the same breed Norman has.

It turns out Norman's uncle was the one who tried to break into Ted's place. He was working with someone to bring back jewels from Afghanistan but won't give Ziva a name.

Ted's replacement want to take Dex to a few locations Virgil says need sniffed out. Gibbs tells him to hold on.

Instead Gibbs and McGee bring Virgil to the location. They've figured out that Virgil was having Dex help clear buildings of bombs so they could take valuables left behind. Virgil gave Ted the pendant to try and buy him off and then had Norman's nephew try to steal it back to cover his tracks. Virgil's buddy, a former special forces sniper, was the one who killed Ted. When he realizes he's been found out the man pulls a gun on Gibbs. Dex helps save the day and Gibbs shoots the man. It appears that Dex is hit.

A final nanny candidate named Laura shows up at Vance's office. When he tells her he's no longer hiring she calls him out for wasting the time of some of her fellow nannies. She says she sympathizes with his plight but assures him she would never try to replace their mother. He then asks her to meet his kids.

After Ted's funeral Gibbs speaks with his widow. She says Ted would have liked to know that Dex helped. He tells her Dex was shot and has been officially retired. She is overjoyed.

Squall

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Season Episode: 19

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Guest Stars: Jamey Sheridan (Navy Admiral John McGee), Joel Gretsch (NCIS Special Agent Stan Burley), Reggie Austin (Navy Lieutenant Carlton Mane), Russell Sams (Navy Petty Officer Second Class Daniel Graves), Zane Holtz (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Kevin Wyeth), Cooper Thornton (Navy Captain Peter Vandevere), Ser'Darius Blain (Tall Player), Jesse Carere (Navy Seaman Eric Landis), Fernando Rivera (Navy Seaman Mark Forrest), Braxton Beckham (Adam Tepper), Josh Rubenstein (WJGZ Meteorologist Josh Rosen), Jackie Johnson (ZNN Meteorologist Chelsea Mills), Luke White (EMT)
Production Code: 229
Summary: A massive storm brings the NCIS team aboard the USS Borealis, where everyone becomes a suspect once the crime scene proves that Mother Nature wasn't the only culprit. Tension builds when McGee discovers that his estranged father, Navy Admiral John McGee, was on board during the incident.



On a ship at sea in a storm, a captain gets a report of a person above deck.

Two men are sent out in the pounding surf to look for whoever is out there. They strap in to the ship's cables and see a man prone on the deck. He's not moving. It's the doctor and he's dead.

In the office, Tony and Ziva wonder why McGee might be late. Gibbs arrives with the body of the week aboard the USS Borealis.

Cut to McGee in his car with a kid named Adam, volunteering as a Big Brother. He's driving Adam to his field trip in Colonial Williamsburg because his

mom is sick.

Aboard the destroyer, the body has been moved – by their old pal NCIS Special Agent Stan Burley (Joel Gretsch). McGee arrives an hour and 46 minutes late, apologizing.

Below, Duckie finds a puncture wound on the victim's neck.

The officer on board, Navy Lieutenant Carlton Mane, wants to talk to Gibbs. He's an admiral's aide and worried about keeping his admiral on schedule. Gibbs informs him the admiral can't leave the ship crime scene. The admiral arrives to talk to Gibbs himself. McGee sees who it is with interest. It's his dad.

He reiterates what Gibbs said that no one can leave until they finish investigating. "Understandable, but I have some place I have to be," says dad McGee (Jamey Sheridan). "Been hearing that my whole life," replies young McGee. "Good to see you, too, son."

McGee sits down with his dad, John, and Gibbs. He was on two other carriers before the *Borealis* and boarded during battle exercises.

As Gibbs asks questions, John turns on his son and critiques him. McGee says his dad was never there and his family was the Navy.

Ziva and Burley question Petty Officer Graves, who tells them Haber was about to come forward about a crew member's illegal drug use of an amphetamine/ADHD drug cocktail used to stay awake, but he doesn't know who.

Back at NCIS, Vance tells Gibbs that Sec-Nav said Admiral McGee should be allowed to leave the ship because he's on the fast track for a cabinet appointment. Gibbs isn't a fan.

On the ship, Burley asks Ziva how the investigation into her father's death is going. They still don't have suspects. They find Dr. Haber's medical records of the crew. Stan and Ziva pair off to investigate and Tony thinks he sees some sparks.

Gibbs joins Duckie and Palmer in the lab. They found a piece of a broken needle in his neck and are waiting on the tox reports from Abby. Duckie finds it surprising that the attacker was able to hit Haber's carotid artery during the rough squall.

Back at NCIS, Tony worries that Burley might be preying on Ziva when she's vulnerable.

Tony reports Petty Officer First Class Wyeth made repeated trips to sick bay for minor issues. He has a juvy drug record and has been under suspicion for drug use since being in the Navy.

Back on the ship to talk to Wyeth, Tony gently warns Burley to go easy with Ziva. But Burley tells him he's engaged.

They see Wyeth – and he runs. They chase him through the ship and he sneaks up on Burley and decks him. Tony drops him.

Back at NCIS with Wyeth in interrogation, Tony has blood results that show he's on five different drugs. Tony notices he has the shakes – and couldn't possibly have hit Haber's carotid.

Down in the lab, Abby tries to stab a dummy in the carotid and can't do it. The needle used on Haber contained a slow-acting strychnine that led to paralysis and eventually asphyxiation. She thinks whoever did it must have been very skilled.

Abby encourages Tim to stand up to his dad. "Abby, he's the admiral, no one talks to him, they just listen," McGee says.

Upstairs, McGee's "little brother" Adam oogles Ziva. He took the bus from Williamsburg. He was supposed to share a motel room with a bully. McGee encourages him to stand up to him.

Back on the destroyer, Burley has found surveillance of Haber being jabbed in the neck, but the attacker's face is obscured. Footage also shows Petty Officer Graves sneaking into Haber's office and removing data from his computer.

Graves tried to be a SEAL and excelled in hand to hand combat, but couldn't handle the psych pressure. They wonder if he was selling drugs to the crew.

Vance sits down with John McGee and asks about Tim's status at NCIS.

"I want to know if he'll ever amount to anything more than an overpaid paper-pusher," dad says.

"Special Agent McGee is a valuable asset to this team. As a Navy officer and as a father, you should be proud of what your son has accomplished," Vance says.

McGee doesn't respond when Vance asks why he suddenly cares.

On the ship, Graves didn't report for duty. Burley gets a call that an ambulance is waiting to pick up a crew member with a ruptured appendix. They find Graves in back, having faked it.

Back in interrogation, Gibbs tells him half the crew gave him up. He says he was trying to get rid of the paper trail on the doctor's computer. He doesn't have an answer for why he first told them about the drugs.

In the office late at night, Gibbs commends McGee for working with Adam. McGee says he was thinking about moving on from it because he doesn't have the time. Gibbs encourages him to "let him know who you are." McGee wonders if Gibbs is talking about his dad or Adam.

McGee calls his dad to go for a walk. His dad knows how much his mom hates it when they fight, but they don't resolve anything.

At the office, they find a \$10,000 payment to Graves. They track the missing sign in log – on a tablet – to John Hamilton University.

On campus, McGee and Tony track the tablet and Tony brings up fathers. "The fact is, fathers start out as heroes and they end up disappointing," Tony says.

McGee doesn't think his dad will ever understand him.

They track the tablet to a pick-up basketball game where one of the players turns it over. He found it in the trash yesterday.

Back at NCIS, McGee checks out the tablet. The last to sign in was Henry Newbolt, which McGee immediately recognizes as the name of his dad's favorite poet. He used a pseudonym to see the doctor.

McGee tries to discourage Gibbs from bringing his dad in, but Gibbs insists.

In interrogation, John McGee says he was with his staff the entire time on the ship. The admiral gets indignant when Gibbs asks about the phony sign-in, then asks who's on the other side of the interrogation glass, if Tim is.

"You make him think he's nothing, you're the one with nothing," Gibbs says.

Gibbs asks why he'd lie.

"Because I'm sick, no one could know. Stage 4," he says. He didn't feel well when they started the exercises so he transferred to see Haber, but Haber was going to report his illness, which would mean the end of his career.

Gibbs points out that could give him motive, but he doesn't really mean it.

Watching from the other side, Tim cries as he learns about his dad's illness.

Ziva, Tony and Gibbs talk to Vance. They wonder who would have motive to keep the admiral's illness quiet and was close enough to know about it. Tony goes to look into the admiral's aide, Carlton Mane, but Vance offers his own computer.

Mane's a former intel officer who worked black ops. There's a letter in his file from the admiral requesting Mane go with him to the White House if he's appointed.

Gibbs, McGee and John McGee confront Mane, who says John McGee treated him like family. John McGee asks him outright why he killed Haber. Mane says he had to do something to keep Haber quiet.

"You taught me that commitment to success comes first," Mane says. "I was wrong," says John McGee.

Back at NCIS, McGee is thinking about calling his dad to talk. And he's staying on as Adam's big brother. Gibbs says it might be time for McGee's dad to learn from him.

He gets a call from his dad.

They go for another walk. McGee asks if the rest of his family knows and suggests he call his mom. John McGee says Tim's mother would like them just talking a walk together.

Chasing Ghosts

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Guest Stars: Alan Dale (Homeland Senior Division Chief Tom Morrow), Arron Shiver (Landers Orton), Brian Leckner (Ben), Lourdes Benedicto (Rebecca), Sophina Brown (Navy reservist Callie Daniels), Rupert Reid (Noah Daniels)
Production Code: 230
Summary: When a Navy reservist returns home to find her husband missing and her living room covered in blood, she turns to the NCIS team to bring him home. Meanwhile, Tony suspects that Ziva is planning a risky move to avenge her father's death.



Noah Daniels' wife Callie comes home from her business trip and finds their living room trashed and her husband's phone on the floor. There's a blood trail on the floor and the back door is open. Her neighbor Ben comes in, the back door has been open all morning. Noah is gone.

At the office, Tony is alarmed that Ziva is five minutes late. She thinks something's up with her.

Gibbs comes in with the case of the week: a Naval officer's husband has gone missing.

Vance tells Gibbs that Homeland has called twice about Ziva looking into her

father's murder.

At the Daniels' house, neighbor Ben describes an older model sedan with tinted windows he saw outside the house.

McGee finds Noah's severed finger in the trash.

Back at the morgue, Duckie works up a psych profile and kicks Palmer out, but Palmer protests and Duckie agrees to teach him.

Upstairs, they learn Callie was working on a classified case and just got back from San Diego. They find Noah Daniels being driven away on a traffic cam at 2:15 a.m.

Gibbs visits Abby in the garage, where she has recreated the crime scene. The attacker didn't violently enter the house. The blood on the couch indicates his finger was cut off there. She hasn't found any prints. The finger was severed surgically at the joint. She found a second blood type on the floor.

Gibbs and Ziva update Callie. She talked to Noah at 10 p.m. from on the road, he was watching the news and playing the computer.

They find bank records showing Noah had more than \$2 million in trust from his dad's business. Callie says Noah would never give up the money because his father worked too hard for it. Callie gets a call from Noah. They hear a voice say "meet me or he dies" then Noah saying it's a trap, then what could be gunshots. They trace the call and find the sedan Noah was abducted in.

There's blood inside, but no Noah.

The car is registered to Landers Orton from Roanoke. Gibbs and Tony talk to him back in interrogation. He says he thinks his brother Darryl might be involved. He lent Darryl his car and Darryl took his debit card.

Back in the office, frazzled Callie lashes out at Gibbs.

Darryl Orton has been in and out of jail, including for assault with a deadly weapon. There are multiple charges to a Mexican restaurant where Noah Daniels also went at the same time.

Ziva talks to Callie in the restroom, assuring her they'll find him. Callie confesses that things have been bad between them.

Ziva and Tony check out the restaurant and talk to the owner (Lourdes Benedicto), she recognizes photos of Noah and Darryl and knows Noah recently came into money. Ziva takes a call in Hebrew, Tony is suspicious.

In the morgue, Duckie explains that Darryl isn't afraid to die and craves a sense of belonging and a real family. They think he went home to his brother in southwestern Virginia.

Vance meets with Tom Morrow from Homeland Security, former head of NCIS. He tells Leon that CIA also knows Ziva is looking into her father's death. Morrow says recent intel says the man who orchestrated her father's murder, Mossad Deputy Director Ilan Bodnar was last seen in Rome. He assures Vance they're handling it.

They find that Daniels' bank account has been emptied, even though the FBI froze it. Darryl opened an account with \$37,000 – he's spreading the money around, too complex a scheme for a high school drop out.

Gibbs visits Abby again, who says the rugs and walls should be roughed up but because they aren't, it means Noah was carried out unconscious, which means Darryl had help.

Darryl Orton's brother has an alibi. They get a tip that leads to a hotel.

Tony, Ziva and Gibbs check it out and find Darryl Orton dead with a gun beside the bed. He left a note: "Sorry to all I hurt. He's dead, I threw his body in the Potomac."

Back in the morgue, Duckie says the gunshot wasn't self-inflicted, it was a staged suicide.

Back at NCIS, Abby brings up a picture that was found on the floor. The frame would be cracked if it fell, but it wasn't. Also, the tipped over couch was solid oak and couldn't have just been knocked over. The crime scene was staged. They think Noah Daniels staged his own abduction. They play the phone tip and Tony and Ziva recognize the restaurant owner's voice.

They pay her a visit. It's her second restaurant to fall into debt. They have phone records linking them. They think she cut his finger off since she had culinary training. She says no one was supposed to get hurt and they were just supposed to get away. She agrees to cooperate.

Gibbs and McGee find Noah Daniels on a bus out of town. Callie confronts him, but he doesn't have anything to say. Ziva takes Callie's hurt personally.

Back at the office late at night, Tony continues to worry about how Ziva is handling her father's death. Gibbs gives him permission to look into it, telling him to go find her.

Tony goes to Abby to ping Ziva's cell phone.

Abby leads him to a dingy apartment building. He knocks on the door and is shocked to find McGee already there. They have an entire investigation set up on the walls. They explain they were going to tell Tony. Ziva explains there have been sightings of Bodner throughout Europe. Ziva resolves not to stop until she finds him. Tony asks when she's going to tell Gibbs.

Back at the office, Ziva asks for permission to go to Europe to find him. Gibbs knew she was looking into, but was waiting for her to tell him. He tells her Bodner's in Rome and suggests she take Tony. Vance also gives his blessing.

Berlin (1)

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Season Episode: 21

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Recurring Role: Alan Dale (Homeland Senior Division Chief Tom Morrow)
Guest Stars: Oded Fehr (Ilan Bodnar), Marina Sirtis (Orli Elbaz), Iddo Goldberg (Yaniv Bodnar), Damon Dayoub (Adam Eshel), Weronika Rosati (Rivka David), Dove Meir (Amir Mantel), Ben Morrison (Young Eli David), Gabi Coccio (Young Ziva David), Willem Van Der Vegt (Edward Kraus)
Production Code: 231
Summary: While the NCIS team investigates the murder of a Mossad officer in Virginia, Tony and Ziva depart for Berlin as they track her father's killer.



An Israeli operative waits in a parked car in a garage. An SUV pulls up to meet him, he's surprised to see who's behind the wheel. Then the driver shoots him.

At NCIS, Tony rubs his trip in McGee's face. Gibbs arrives and announces that Tony and Ziva won't be going to Rome to track Ilan Bodnar, the man suspected of killing Ziva's father. They're going to Berlin.

Ziva is annoyed to see Orli Elbaz (Marina Sirtis) from Mossad arrive in the office. She's the new head of Mossad, there to meet Vance. She lays out the body of the week: Amir Mantel, an agent in town

off the books. Five officers went rogue in support of Bodnar and Mantel thought one was in Virginia. She thinks they're a threat to anyone looking to Bodnar. She asks NCIS to lead the investigation.

Ziva asks permission to leave. Orli thinks she's heading to Rome.

Gibbs visits Abby and the murder scene car in the garage. The victim is in a body bag in the trunk. Mossad cleaned the crime scene, handing over a laptop and watch.

En route to Berlin, Ziva remembers seeing her dad fighting with a woman when she was a child.

Ziva explains they're going to Berlin because her father taught her to set up a network of diamonds in case she ever needed to disappear. Everyone else is tracking Bodnar's bank accounts, but Ziva found a spike in diamond sales in Berlin.

Back at NCIS, in the morgue, Duckie is annoyed that Mossad stuffed their own agent in the trunk for transportation. He finds a rubber earwig piece in Mantel's ear. Abby video conferences

in to report the bullet is a .9 mm, the same kind Mossad intel shows the rogue operatives bought. Duckie doesn't like that they're working with Mossad.

Gibbs meets with Orli, who worries what Ziva may have told him about her.

Gibbs and McGee head to Mantel's hotel room, which was also scrubbed by Mossad. The hotel manager thinks he recognized Tomir Gottlieb, one of the rogue agents. Gibbs notices they're being watched, but the green SUV takes off.

Gibbs goes back to Orli for more information, thinking Mossad is hanging NCIS out as target. He warns her away from his crime scene.

Vance meets with Homeland Senior Division Chief Tom Morrow (Alan Dale), who isn't happy NCIS is working with Mossad. He also knows Tony and Ziva are in Berlin.

In Berlin, Ziva remembers saying good bye to her father as he left for a work trip. She takes a call from her contact, who has information.

Ziva and Tony wait for her contact, Adam Eshel, an attractive man who Tony seems to instantly distrust. Ziva looks at pictures that Adam emailed her of a hired courier known as "K." He used Bodnar's ID to empty safety deposit boxes and Adam has heard there's a hand-off tonight.

Ziva gets a video call from a number she recognizes. It's Ilan Bodnar. Tony calls McGee to run a trace. Bodnar tells Ziva she doesn't know the whole story about her father's death. He asks her to forgive him and walk away. McGee traces the signal to a subway station around the corner from them in Berlin.

They head there and look for him. McGee sees his signal on the train, but he loses it.

Tony and Ziva chat with Gibbs and McGee back in MTAC and update them on K. Facial recognition IDs him as Edward Kraus, a drug trafficker who works at a nightclub. Ziva warns Gibbs not to trust Orli unless she earns it.

Back in their room in Berlin, Ziva hangs up Tony's clothes and he reminds her of the time he called her "sweet cheeks" – in Paris. They flirt about how she likes to hang up clothes for her man. He invites her to share the bed for a nap, but nothing happens.

In the lab, Abby updates Gibbs on the earwig piece – an old model Mossad doesn't use any more. His laptop was full of planted useless intel.

Up in Vance's office, he directs McGee to hack Mossad's database. They find Mantel was actually the rogue agent. Orli lied.

Gibbs and Vance talk to Orli in interrogation, confronting her with their hacked intel. He was the only rogue officer. Vance is annoyed she put people on his people following them on a case that doesn't exist.

She gets up to leave, but Vance refuses to let her go.

At the nightclub where Edward Kraus works, Tony orders them martinis then pulls Ziva onto the dance floor as the music turns slow. Ziva keeps an eye on Kraus as they sway, but she worries that he might have made her. Tony tells her to just act like she's there with him. She looks deep into his eyes and remembers her father telling her that one day she'll dance with a man who deserves her love.

Ziva sees Edward make a handoff to someone. She thinks it's Ilan, but is surprised to find it's Yaniv Bodnar, Ilan's brother.

Back in interrogation, Gibbs tells Orli that Bodnar was just arrested in Berlin. Orli asks for her phone to confirm. Gibbs accuses Orli of bringing them a dummy case to get Mossad permission to be on US soil. She admits it and Gibbs tells her it was Yaniv Bodnar who was arrested.

On the return flight home, Ziva asks Yaniv what Ilan did to win him back. Yaniv isn't Mossad.

Orli turns over all their intel on Ilan to Vance and Tom Morrow. They have surveillance footage from the airport showing Yaniv switching clothes with Ilan and boarding the flight overseas. They let everyone believe Ilan was in Rome so he'd let his guard down. Vance suggests NCIS look the other way about Mossad's actions, but warns Orli it's the last pass Mossad gets. He plans to have her escorted out of the country.

Tony and Ziva drive back after dropping Yaniv off with federal Marshals. Ziva tells Tony that Orli was the reason her parents split up. She thinks Orli is after Ilan because she loved Ziva's father. Ziva thinks if not for Orli, she might be a different person. Tony takes Ziva's hand and interlaces his fingers with hers. "Then I should catch her before she leaves, and thank her," Tony says.

As they're driving through an intersection, an SUV barrels through and slams into them. We see their hands, and broken glass and blood.

Revenge (2)

Season 10
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Recurring Role: Alan Dale (Homeland Senior Division Chief Tom Morrow)
Guest Stars: Oded Fehr (Ilan Bodnar), Maxwell Caulfield (Dr. Maddison Fielding), Stephanie Childers (Miss Gillers), Cliff M. Simon (Guest Star), Lynn A. Henderson (Guest Star), Sofia Mattsson (Jessica), Ashlee Fuss (Teenage Girl)
Production Code: 232
Summary: In retaliation for the murders of Eli David and Jackie Vance, the NCIS team feverishly searches for Bodnar despite orders from Homeland Security to relinquish the case.



Tony and Ziva's car is T-boned in an intersection. She comes to as someone walks toward their car. Tony is out cold. Ziva watches groggily as Ilan Bodnar, the man she's been hunting for killing her father, leans into her car and takes something.

"I told you to walk away Ziva," he says. Another car pulls up and he gets in and drives off. Ziva gets off a few shots but manages only to shoot out the rear windshield.

Vance and Gibbs wait for Tony and Ziva in the emergency room. Bodnar took the diamonds.

Ziva got a partial plate of the getaway

car, it's registered to a soccer mom.

Gibbs, McGee and a team head to the house and surround it, shouting for whoever is inside to come out. When they don't, the agents fire a flash bang in. The person inside starts shooting with an automatic weapon. The NCIS team riddles the house with bullets.

Inside, there's a dead body in the kitchen – not Bodnar.

Tony and Ziva sneak out of the ER and head back to the office. Tony has a message from his insurance agent with bad news. He's being put on the at risk list after totaling his third car.

At the house, they find the victim's ID, Carl Miller, is fake and he has no finger prints. A piece of paper in his pocket says "see Reisiger 19." He has a few diamonds in his pocket; payment for helping Bodnar.

Down in the garage, Abby is going over the SUV that hit Ziva and Tony. There was a harness installed and the airbag was removed; the crash was planned. Ziva peppers Abby with questions about where everyone else is.

Gibbs talks to Miller's landlord, who says he drove a motorcycle and would sometimes be gone months at a time.

Back at NCIS, Homeland Senior Division Chief Tom Morrow is annoyed Vance OK'd the raid without telling him. He says the search for Bodnar should be left to Homeland.

Ziva and McGee check international databases and get nothing on the name Reisiger.

Tony ducks a call from his insurance agency, making Abby answer. They're canceling his policy if he doesn't call them back in 24 hours.

Down in the morgue, Duckie hasn't gotten anywhere on identifying the body. Miller's had tons of plastic surgery and his teeth were all replaced.

Down in the lab, Abby is trying to figure out how long Bodnar was at the house. There's a beer bottle with the finger print of Amir Mantel, the rogue Mossad agent who was killed.

Ziva ignores her injured shoulder and works out her aggression on a heavy bag.

Tony complains that McGee wouldn't stop for coffee on their drive in from work. Ziva lends Tony her car; she's planning to jog into work the next few days. Tony is still sore and achy from the accident, but Ziva is powering through the pain.

Police find Miller's motorcycle near Union Station.

Down in the morgue, Duckie has been able to trace the serial number of his jaw implant. Dr. Madison Fielding installed it.

Tony and McGee visit Dr. Fielding, the plastic surgeon. He did Miller's surgery three years ago. There was nothing wrong with him and he paid in cash. They look at the before photo – he looked completely different.

At the office, Ziva gets a video call from Bodnar, who says her father was selling out Mossad and Israel to Iran. He denies killing Arash Kazmi and says others are responsible for killing the Iranian. Ziva vows to find him.

Abby IDs Carl Miller as South African Clive Goddard, whom she ID'd from his "before" photo through facial recognition. He's involved in blood diamond smuggling.

McGee analyzes the trees and lamp post in background of the video chat from Bodnar. He's in New York.

Vance tells Ziva they have to let Homeland handle things.

In MTAC, Vance tells Morrow they think Bodnar is in New York. Vance tells Morrow the case is all his, but after they hang up Gibbs notes Vance didn't tell him what Bodnar said about Kazmi.

Later that night, Ziva's Shin Bet contact Adam sends her a photo of Bodnar and Goddard together from five years ago. McGee stays late to check on something.

In the middle of the night, Tony drops by Gibbs' basement to talk. He's worried about Ziva, she's been more secretive since her father's death. Gibbs knows she wants revenge. He asks if there's anything Tony didn't tell him about Berlin, but Gibbs' phone rings before Tony answers.

McGee calls and Tony and Gibbs go to the office. He thought there was something wrong with the video and it turns out there was, Bodnar pasted himself into a YouTube video. He's not in New York.

In the morning, Tony catches Ziva up. The boys were at the office all night.

Tony goes down to the morgue to stop the release of Goddard's body. Duckie waxes about the Afrikaans language and Tony wonders if Reisiger might be Afrikaans. Palmer looks "See Reisiger" up on his phone app and learns it means "Sea Voyager."

Vance finishes an unpleasant call with Tom Morrow, who thinks NCIS misled them to New York. Vance isn't backing off.

Upstairs they find Sea Voyager is a Liberian freighter docked in the Port of Baltimore in Pier 19, leaving for South Africa tonight. Tony and McGee go to tell Gibbs. Ziva takes her gun and car keys and leaves.

At the Port at night, Ziva grabs a flare from her trunk and uses it to start a Dumpster fire near the gangplank. The man guarding it goes to check out the fire and Ziva boards the ship.

Down in the hold she hears Bodnar. She confronts him with her personal gun. He knows she won't shoot an unarmed man in the back and walks away. He gets out onto the deck and jumps her. They start fighting, grabbing nearby tools and a fire extinguisher to go after each other. Ilan gets her around the neck with a chain, but she flips him off and gets back on top, punching him.

Gibbs and the team pull up, wondering if the fire is Ziva's doing. Ilan's body falling over the side of the ship is their answer.

Later, back at NCIS, a battered Ziva goes to see Vance. "Is it over?" he asks. "It's over," she says.

Double Blind

Season 10
Episode Number: 233
Season Episode: 23

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Director: Dennis Smith
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Guest Stars: Colin Hanks (DOD IG Investigator Richard Parsons), Neil Brown Jr. (Martin Archer), Fred Koehler (Simon Gravy), Catherine Kresge (Marine Lance Corporal Stella Brooks), Sean Marquette (Evan Lowry), Emily Dunham (Guest Star), Jessie Graff (Guest Star), Meeghan Holaway (Guest Star), Alain Uy (Ray Kessel)
Production Code: 233
Summary: A Department of Defense investigator scrutinizes the NCIS team's response to the Bodnar case involving the murder of Ziva's father and Vance's wife. Meanwhile, the team examines whether a Petty Officer is suffering from paranoia or if his claims of being followed are tied to a matter of national security.



A Navy seaman chases a man through a park at Quantico and tackles him. Sailors training nearby pull him off. Someone watching the whole scene on surveillance chooses not to intervene.

At NCIS, Ziva pulls up to work in her new sports car, she thought it was time for a change. Tony is upset she sold the Mini to someone else. Gibbs pulls up to get McGee for the case of the week.

At Quantico, the attacker is Petty Officer third class Evan Lowry. He tells Gibbs that the man he tackled was following him and someone has been going through his email, too, and been in his house. He's a cook on a ship and thinks some-

one might be trying to infect him to infect the crew. He's insistent, but McGee and Gibbs are skeptical.

McGee notices a GPS tracking device on Lowry's car. Someone really is following him.

Back at NCIS, they try to figure out who might be following him. They're looking into his mugging two weeks ago, when the surveillance started and he was hit by a tire iron and got a concussion. His laptop and cell phone were stolen.

McGee traces a photo that was taken on Lowry's phone.

Richard Parsons (Colin Hanks), with the Inspector General's Office, meets with Vance to start the inquiry to Ilan Bodnar's death. Vance is eager to get it over with.

Parsons goes with McGee and Tony on a stakeout to watch the phone. Parsons starts his questioning about the night Eli David was killed.

Tony and McGee go intercept a man on the stolen cell phone. He runs.

Back in interrogation, Lowry isn't sure if it's the guy who mugged him. The suspect tells Gibbs he found the phone in the trash. Gibbs bluffs him and believes the guy knows nothing.

Abby finds a piece of a legal document that was left in Lowry's backpack, releasing them from any physical and mental trauma to Lowry. He signed it, but has no idea what it is.

Down in the morgue, Duckie tries to help Lowry remember signing the document. He remembers whatever he signed up for had something to do with bratwurst, the same blend as was found in a recent morgue victim's stomach.

In the lab, Abby cooks up various bratwursts, explaining to Parsons how she'll test them. He's a forensic know it all. He asks her about the memory card she processed five months ago that had a picture of the man who killed Tyler Wilkes, Eli David, even though they could only see the back of his head in the photo. Ziva recognized him.

Gibbs goes with Lowry to a food cart with brats. He recognizes a nearby empty warehouse. There's an office inside, with a guy eating the brat Lowry remembered. A woman comes out and IDs Lowry as one of their "helping eyes" test subjects. They're examining the psychological effects of surveillance, which started right after he got mugged. Lowry is angry until he learns he's getting \$1,500.

Gibbs is annoyed and wants Tony and Ziva look into the doctor running the study.

Back at NCIS, Parsons talks to Ziva in interrogation. He asks why she waited three hours to tell Gibbs her dad was the one in the photos; she wanted to talk to her father first. Ziva insists she tried to save Bodnar, but he fell. Parsons starts yelling, asking her if she slept with Adam Eshel from Shin Bet, saying it would be a threat to national security. Ziva tells Parsons to go to hell. Tony busts in and ends the interview.

Back up in the office, they see on the news that there was an explosion at the office where the experiment was being run. At the scene, Ziva admits to Tony she slept with Adam when she went to Israel to bury her father. She says she felt alone and it was a moment of weakness. He reminds her when he dropped her off at the airport he told her in Hebrew that she wasn't alone. He tells her to talk to legal.

All the surveillance footage was destroyed in the blast, Dr. Hale received minor injuries.

Duckie calls Gibbs after talking to Parsons. The team meets, he warns them Parsons is looking to dig up dirt on Ziva. He has an old photo of her friend Schmiel. She didn't know he once worked for the Israeli government in September 1972, after the Munich killings. Duckie thinks it's a witch hunt.

Back in the office, McGee hacks Parsons files, including a locked Justice Department file.

Back to the explosion, they find Simon Gravy, one of the test subjects, has disappeared.

Tony and McGee watch the footage of Gravy in MTAC. Ziva knocks to get in, her retina scan was denied. Her security clearance has been suspended.

Tony follows Parsons.

Ziva reports to McGee that Parsons is looking into their old case files, including some before Ziva got there.

Tony warns Parsons not to question Ziva's loyalty. "What makes you think I'm going after Ziva?" Parsons says.

Ziva realizes the common thread in the files Parsons pulled: Vance.

Ziva, Tony and Gibbs brief Vance. They think Parsons is trying to get leverage on Ziva to get her to flip on Vance. Tony put a surveillance bug on Parsons phone.

Gibbs talks to Gravy, the surveillance arson suspect, in interrogation. He emptied his bank account an hour ago. Tony thinks Gravy's off his meds. He says he knows who blew up the building – God. He has an emotional meltdown but denies blowing up the building. He wonders what kind of an idiot would get into trouble knowing he was being followed.

Someone who didn't remember they were: Lowry. Gibbs finds Lowry at lunch with a woman named Stella and her toddler, Abner. Gibbs knows she's UA (the Navy's AWOL) – they ran facial recognition on everyone Lowry came in contact with and ID'd Stella as a corporal. When he remembered the study he realized he'd exposed Stella, so he set the fire to destroy the surveillance with her in it.

Ziva leads Lowry away and Stella explains she got called for her third tour shortly after Abner was born and didn't want to go. "Haven't you ever bent the rules for a friend?" she asks Gibbs.

McGee listens to Parsons make a phone call and runs to Gibbs. McGee is explaining that Parsons isn't after Ziva or Vance when serious looking men get off the elevator with Parsons. Parsons knew he was being bugged. "Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs, you've manipulated evidence and you've obstructed justice. Do you take full responsibility for the actions of your team?" Parsons asks. "What do you think?" Gibbs says.

Damned If You Do

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Season Episode: 24

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Recurring Role: Muse Watson (Mike Franks), Joe Spano (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell)
Guest Stars: Alan Dale (Homeland Senior Division Chief Tom Morrow), Colin Hanks (DOD IG Investigator Richard Parsons), Allan Louis (Captain Wayne), John M. Jackson (Rear Admiral AJ Chegwiddden), Natalija Nogulich (Judge), Nicole Duport (Emily McBride),
Production Code: 234
Summary: Gibbs and the team are assigned legal counsel after the Department of Defense IG Investigator puts their future at the agency in jeopardy.



Gibbs fishes in a boat on a lake and imagines talking to his late mentor Mike Franks. They have a meaning-heavy conversation about catch and release then Mike takes out his gun and shoots into the water. Gibbs sees bodies float up around him, his team stands on the shoreline.

Gibbs' reverie is broken by DOD IG Investigator Richard Parsons (Colin Hanks), questioning him in the conference room. He says Gibbs' actions have been "inappropriate" and the deaths of Eli David and Jackie Vance have opened doors to an investigation.

"Step up, take responsibility. I'll leave your people alone. All I want is the truth,"

Parsons says. "You weren't there," Gibbs tells him.

Tom Morrow hangs out in Vance's office, complaining about Parsons. Vance doesn't understand why he's not the one in the crosshairs.

"Parsons recognizes the political fallout of going after a man who's lost everything because of his agent's poor judgment.... To an investigator like Parsons, Gibbs is a hell of a trophy," Morrow says.

Back with Parsons, Gibbs' lawyer arrives, even though he didn't call him. Rear Admiral AJ Chegwiddden, the former judge advocate general, arrives. Vance called him, he and Gibbs go way back.

DCIS comes and takes NCIS's old files. Gibbs tells the team to back off, but they decide to ignore him and look into Parsons.

In the lab, Abby takes out her aggressions on a shooter video game with Parsons as the target. Duckie and Palmer stop by to show her a listening device they found in the morgue.

A judge gives AJ 48 hours to get a defense prepped for Gibbs.

The whole NCIS staff meets in the elevator. Palmer found another bug in the ladies room. Vance asks if anyone knows anything else that could hurt Gibbs. Abby mentions all the stuff at Gibbs' house.

Gibbs and AJ return Gibbs' place to see the place trashed. Gibbs draws his gun when he hears a noise, but it's just Ziva coming in the back door.

AJ wants to go somewhere secure to talk. Gibbs takes AJ, Tony and Ziva to the cabin he built in the woods. They go inside when a helicopter circles overhead.

Later at night, AJ reads Parsons' bio. There's a knock at the cabin door, McGee joins them with the body of the week: a dead Navy SEAL in Virginia.

At the crime scene, the victim's wife came home to a box shipped from Riyadh, Saudi Arabia with Chad McBride's head in it.

In the morgue, Duckie and Palmer examine the head. Palmer announces he and his wife are adopting.

Then he takes out a Gieger counter and it goes crazy detecting radiation.

Out in the woods, Gibbs imagines hunting with Mike, who talks to him about not being able to control every little thing. Gibbs takes aim at something and imagines seeing Vance breaking the news that Jackie is dead.

Gibbs wakes up to AJ bringing coffee.

At the office, Parsons gets on the elevator with Ziva, who ignores him as he tells her he's trying to catch bad guys just like her, "good people who have made bad decisions."

He accuses her of throwing Bodnar off the ship and killing her brother, Ari (which she did) and says she'll have to pay.

In MTAC, Vance talks to Capt. Wayne, McBride's CO. He says McBride was on top secret recon and seems surprised about the radiation. He tells Vance not to tell anyone about it.

In the lab, Abby says McBride was beaten with a stick.

Upstairs, McGee finds Parsons has tons of secure files, including sensitive personal documents belonging to high level justice department people.

Out at the cabin, AJ asks about all the people Gibbs' team has killed. Gibbs has no regrets.

Parsons meets with Vance in his office. Parsons mentions a missing file: the one with Abby's results on a Mexican shooting (the one that proves Gibbs shot the man who killed his wife and daughter).

At the cabin, Tony, Ziva and McGee present their intel on Parsons, including the fact he's essentially a blackmailer. They want Vance to show it to the Inspector General, but Gibbs tells them to stay out of it. "It is not your job!" Gibbs says.

"This is not about my job, it is about my family," Ziva says and storms out.

Tony follows her. She tells him she's sorry if she hurt him, she cares too much about their friendship. She doesn't want it to be awkward. "Nothing's awkward between friends," he tells her and kisses her on the forehead.

Vance meets with Morrow, who tells him there's a connection between McBride's death and what's happening with his team.

The CIA needed Iran to believe Mossad was responsible for Arash Kazmi's death, as a distraction. Bodnar didn't kill Kazmi – the CIA did so that Bodnar would be a fall guy and Iran and Israel could fight while the US focused on domestic threats.

Parsons doesn't know anything about it. Vance asks about McBride. "It's not good, Leo," Morrow says.

Back at his ransacked house, Gibbs imagines Mike Franks accusing him of running. Mike tells Gibbs he should come clean and admit there are good reasons he did the things he did.

Back at NCIS, the team is surprised to see Gibbs come in.

Gibbs isn't surprised when Vance tells him the CIA was behind Kazmi's death. Gibbs doesn't plan to fight by Parsons' rules. Vance says Morrow might have a solution, but it might kill Gibbs.

Alone later, Vance shreds Abby's report on Gibbs' Mexico shooting.

McGee, Tony and Ziva talk and agree to do what's necessary, even though Tony warns Ziva she might not like how it ends. They go upstairs and all resign, turning in their badges.

Back at his house, Gibbs opens a hidden compartment in his basement and takes out Mike Franks' old files. He burns them one by one, refusing to play Parsons' blackmail game.

The next morning, AJ, Vance, Morrow and Wayne with JSOC show up to meet with Parsons. Gibbs is on special assignment for JSOC. Morrow presents Parsons with a letter from his Inspector General boss telling him to back off the investigation. Once the team resigned, Gibbs was sent on assignment.

"Is agent Gibbs so valuable that you would allow this to happen?" Parsons asks.

Four Months Later

In a dark room at night, Gibbs tries to stop Wayne's bleeding, but Wayne urges him to "do it."

Gibbs goes to the window, lines up his sniper rifle and takes aim at someone getting out of a town car on the street below. Agent Tobias Fornell ends up in his rifle sights. Gibbs pauses. The screen goes black. We hear a gunshot.

Season Eleven

Whiskey Tango Foxtrot (1)

Season 11
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Recurring Role: Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Alan Dale (Homeland Senior Division Chief Tom Morrow), Matt Craven (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis)
Guest Stars: Margo Harshman (Delilah), Colin Hanks (DOD IG Investigator Richard Parsons), Allan Louis (Navy Captain Dominick Wayne), Damon Dayoub (Adam Eshel), Costas Mandylor (Tomas Mendez), Ivan Shaw (Victor Cheng), Jared Ward (JSOC Navy Lieutenant Eric Kagen), Will Harris (Murray Hines), Gabi Coccio (13-year-old Ziva David), Ben Morrison (Young Eli David)
Production Code: 235
Summary: Following an explosion at a D.C. black-tie affair, Parsons assumes a new role within the NCIS agency, while Gibbs' team remains down three agents.



Four Months Ago — Parsons approaches Homeland Security Director Tom Morrow at a function at a hotel. Parsons knows Sec Nav Jarvis is inside and he wants to talk to them about his case against Gibbs. He thinks the "cowboy" mission Gibbs was sent on was just a ruse to get Gibbs away from the investigation. "Gibbs is being given a 'get out of jail free' card," Parsons says. Morrow tells Parsons he's just getting in the way. "There's a line in the sand, Parsons, don't cross it," Morrow says. Morrow turns and goes into the function, leaving Parsons on the street.

Parsons walks away, and as he does, a blast explodes from the hotel behind him.

Later, at NCIS, Abby, Duckie and Palmer watch news reports that say Sec Nav was killed in the hotel bombing. Abby blames Parsons for his investigation leading to the departure of Gibbs and his team, who she thinks would have prevented it.

Suddenly, in comes Gibbs. Vance meets with Gibbs and Captain Dominick Wayne, who mentions the bombing might be tied to the death of Lt. McBride, the head in the box. Vance suggests Gibbs lead an off-book investigation into the bombing and Wayne volunteers that he has an overseas informant.

Tony wakes up in the middle of the night and sees he missed a video call from Ziva. She chats with him instead, saying she's on a bus to Tel Aviv and thinking about him after hearing of the bombing.

He asks if she wants some company and gets a "Yes :-)" He tells her to count a million and he's on his way. He looks into flights to Tel Aviv. "This is good," he says.

McGee meets with Delilah in a café. He hates being on the outside of the investigation and wonders why he hasn't been called in. She tells him more than once source is saying the device wasn't Middle Eastern, it was American. He wants to go in to at least talk to Abby, but Abby appears. She tells him Gibbs is headed out of town.

Vance drops by Gibbs's house as he packs. He's off to see Capt. Wayne's informant in Tehran.

Overseas, Gibbs walks through a street market and checks his watch, waiting. He pulls his gun, feeling like he's being watched. Suddenly, someone shoots at him from behind a car. Gibbs ducks behind a wall and takes out a second gun and starts firing. A shooter is coming right at him when someone takes him out. Parsons pulls up in a Jeep and saves Gibbs.

"I knew when they got Jarvis, you were next," Parsons explains. He couldn't call because the phones are tapped. "You're in danger, Gibbs. I came to save your life," Parsons says.

They sit down to talk it over. Parsons thinks NCIS is being set up and that Gibbs was sent to Iran to separate him from his team. Parsons thinks they should talk to one of McBride's coworkers, JSOC Operative Lt. Eric Kagen. Gibbs doesn't believe him. "If I've learned right things, Gibbs, it's that people do the wrong thing for the right reason," Parsons says. "Speak for yourself," Gibbs says. "I am," Parsons says.

Duckie comes down to the morgue and finds a strange man on the computer. The man goes after Duckie and then knocks Palmer over when he comes to help. Palmer is about to freak out when Duckie beans the intruder with a bed pan and knocks him out.

Gibbs and Parsons talk to Kagen, who tells them McBride's orders were canceled. He was recalled after just 24 hours, but Kagen didn't see him get on the transport plane.

Back at his apartment, Tony is all packed and ready to leave for the airport to fly to Israel to see Ziva. He says good-bye to his fish, Kate. "I know it's not the brightest idea, but we're not coworkers anymore, so all bets are off," he tells the fish. He texts Ziva to check that it's still OK to come. She says yes and signs it "xo."

Tony looks down at his chest in the dark and sees the telltale laser sight of a sniper's rifle. He ducks just as shots start flying through the windows.

At NCIS, Vance pours Tony a drink and tells him to lay low following the shooting. Tony says he was on his way to Israel on a "personal trip." Vance isn't buying it and makes sure Ziva knows he'll be delayed. Vance wants to give him protection, but Tony offers to just stay at NCIS, with his Visitor pass.

Tony heads to interrogation, where the man Duckie and Palmer subdued is being held. Vance interrogates him as Tony and Duckie watch. The man is Victor Cheng, a private computer contractor who used to work for the FBI. He got a call promising him \$20,000 if he came in and hacked NCIS's database. He says he doesn't know who hired him.

Vance gets a call from Gibbs in MTAC, along with Agent Parsons, who Gibbs is now working with. They believe Chad McBride was a decoy and wasn't killed overseas.

Tony wakes up at his desk to see Murray, the large new IT guy at Ziva's desk. Palmer runs the big screen rundown. Cheng was fired from the FBI for moonlighting as a hacker for hire.

Someone has been trying to hack NCIS files from the outside, they were mostly after former personnel.

Tony calls McGee and tells him to ditch his phone. He does but dark sedans pull up. FBI Special Agent Tobias Fornell gets out.

Fornell takes McGee to Tony's place, where he and Vance are waiting. Fornell tells them about Benham Parsa, a young extremist who claimed responsibility for killing Sec Nav. He's the son of slain parents from Karachi. He started a new terrorist cell and is brokering deals between terrorists and US companies to rebuild after attacks. Fornell says Homeland has known about it from day one.

Vance goes to confront Tom Morrow in the hospital. He's recovering and won't lose his leg. Vance demands to know if Morrow's involved. He swears he's not but says Ziva is the next target. "Eli knew too much, they think she does, too," Morrow says.

At NCIS, McGee works to establish a secure email to communicate with Ziva. Gibbs re-introduces Parsons, saying he's OK now. Tony and McGee both want their badges back. Parsons says he'll see what he can do, now that the investigation is over.

Parsons explains someone went to great lengths to make it look like Iran killed McBride, but it was a local terrorist cell.

Down in the lab, Gibbs, in his wordless Gibbs way, explains that Parsons is OK now because Parsons saved his life. Abby explains the sand found on McBride was partially Middle Eastern and also from the Sonoran Desert in Arizona.

Vance gives Tony and McGee their badges back. He wants ideas on how to find Ziva. Tony has one. He goes to MTAC to talk to Ziva's old Mossad friend Adam Eshel about tracking her down, knowing that he's one of the few people that Ziva trusts.

Gibbs and Fornell have an elevator brainstorm, realizing the best person to sent McBride to Iran and cancel his orders was his commanding officer. They check his bank records and find no pay-offs. Gibbs asks McGee how his handwriting is.

Gibbs and Fornell pay Captain Dominick Wayne a visit and show him the letter from McBride (presumably forged by McGee) saying Wayne changed his orders. Wayne says he didn't know McBride was going to be killed. They blackmailed him using his affair. He got one call to change McBride's order and another to send Gibbs to Iran. Wayne is facing prison time and court martial.

In Vance's office, he introduces Tomas Mendez with Public Anti-Terrorism Coalition, which helps facilitate cooperation between the government and business to stop terrorism. He shows them surveillance footage of Parsa from one of his buildings in Miami. They mention Arizona.

Tony ends up in an uncomfortable elevator with Parsons. Parsons stops it and gives Tony a file on farm property in Israel that secretly belonged to Eli David, where Parsons suggests Ziva might be hiding out.

Gibbs walks Fornell to his car. Gibbs wants to know how long he knew NCIS was in danger; Fornell says he came to Gibbs as soon as he learned. "No matter what happens with this, I've got your back," Gibbs says.

Back in the office, Abby runs a trace on the shrapnel removed from the bombing victims. It matches a bombing in Yemen and a white supremacist group. The bomb was in the frame of a mountain bike, the method used by The Brotherhood of Doubt, based in Yuma, Arizona.

Gibbs, Fornell and a team head to Yuma. They find handcuffs where McBride was kept and photos of the NCIS team, Sec Nav, Tom Morrow and Tomas Mendez.

Later, Gibbs gets Mendez and takes him to protective custody.

In Israel, Adam leads a raid with a team into Ziva's dad's farm house. He finds three dead men.

Adam reports back to Tony from MTAC. Ziva left her Star of David necklace behind, so they'd know she was there.

Later at night, home alone, Tony looks at a picture of Ziva and wonders where she is.

Past, Present, Future

Season 11
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Season Episode: 2

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Writer: Gary Glasberg, Gina Lucita Monreal, Scott A. Williams
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Recurring Role: Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell)
Guest Stars: Allan Louis (Navy Captain Dominick Wayne), Damon Dayoub (Adam Eshel), Costas Mandylor (Tomas Mendez), Gabi Coccio (13-year-old Ziva David), Leslie Hope (SecNav Sarah Porter), Marina Sirtis (Orli Elbaz), Lena Georgas (Doctor Deena Bashan), Omar J. Dorsey (Vernon Dale), Solomon Shiv (Officer 1), Keenan Henson (Henry Coldwell), Nell Teare (Young Woman), Brenda Vivian (Waitress)
Production Code: 236
Summary: Determined to locate Ziva, Tony chases leads in Israel in search of her current whereabouts. Meanwhile, Gibbs and the team continue the hunt for Parsa and his growing terrorist ring.



Late May — Tony flies to see Ziva and imagines seeing her on the plane next to him.

In Tel Aviv, Tony is met on the tarmac by Mossad agents who request he come with them and don't give him much choice. He's brought to see Mossad Director Orli Elbaz. He's surprised to see Ziva's friend Adam there with her.

Back in DC, Vance introduces Gibbs and FBI Agent Tobias Fornell to the new Secretary of the Navy, Sarah Porter.

They brief her on Benham Parsa, the Pakistani who's in charge of the terrorist group Brotherhood of Doubt. They expect Tomas Mendez is their next target, because of the help he's given the govern-

ment tracking terrorists.

In Israel, Adam reports that the three gunman found dead at Ziva's house were just hired guns. Tony tells Orli he last heard from Ziva two nights ago, when she sent him a photo of her and her brother Ari as children.

They have a report of someone matching Ziva's description being seen on a kibbutz they went to as children. She buried a list of life goals she wrote as a child, including ride a horse. They were all crossed out and on it was written "I will stop this for him."

Later, Adam takes Tony to the apartment where Ziva grew up. Tony imagines seeing her as a 13-year-old.

When Tony and Adam go in to talk to the current resident, Dr. Deena Bashan, who grew up in the building with Ziva.

At NCIS, Fornell has a hard time convincing Mendez to take his protection, until Gibbs tells him not to be a "dumb ass," and he agrees.

Deena serves Adam and Tony tea. She last saw Ziva at her father's funeral. She made a list of "I Will" statements like Ziva but doesn't know what Ziva's means.

"She mentioned you at the funeral, I could see what she felt," Deena tells Tony, suggesting he's the "him."

Tony checks in with McGee in MTAC. They traced the last text from Ziva to a wifi hotspot in Tel Aviv.

In the lab, Abby is tracing the bullet trajectories from the shots fired into Tony's apartment, which contradict the witness statement.

A resident of the building said he saw a shooter on top of his building, but Abby thinks that's wrong. Homeland talked to all the residents of the top floor except one, Lisa Pierway. They head to her apartment and find her several days dead inside.

Fornell and Gibbs meet for coffee. Fornell complains about guarding Mendez, who has plans to go see a billionaire philanthropist who wants to support anti-terror activities.

In Mossad's version of MTAC, Tony reviews security footage from the Internet café where Ziva sent the text. They don't see her until they check outside the hospital across the street and see Ziva meeting with Deena, the doctor.

Gibbs visits Abby in the lab. She has a partial thumbprint from Lisa's contact lenses belonging to Henry Coldwell, who was dishonorably discharged from the army and had sniper training. He's the one who shot up Tony's apartment.

Tony goes to see Dr. Bashan at the hospital. She admits she stitched up Ziva's leg, but then told Ziva she was in love with her brother Ari and he was about to propose when Ziva killed him. Ziva tried to explain, but Dr. Bashan wouldn't forgive her, so Ziva left.

Bashan says she would have told anyone but Tony the truth. "Why should she have the man that she loves, when she took mine from me?"

Fornell and two other agents escort Mendez to the hospital to see the billionaire. Mendez's phone rings outside and he answers – an explosion blasts from the hospital in front of them.

October Gibbs and McGee try to reach Tony on video chat. He's been to North Africa, Yemen and is now back in Israel on Ziva's trail. He talked to someone who saw her a week ago. Gibbs suggests if Ziva doesn't want to be found, maybe he should respect that. He wants to go off the grid for a few days and follow a lead.

Gibbs tells him to do what he needs to.

When Tony hangs up, we see Ziva is standing near him. She asks why he came. "You invited me," Tony says. "That was before," she says.

Back in DC, SecNav Porter wants an update on Parsa and his Brotherhood. He tells her to try to reach out to army about talking to Captain Wayne, the one who sent Gibbs on a distraction mission to Iran.

Tony gives Ziva her Star of David necklace back. He found her by tracking her past, traveling to where her mother was killed, her grandparents' graves and, finally, the house where she was born.

She's feeling guilt over the people she has killed in her line of work. Tony tells her it's never too late to start over.

Gibbs meets with Captain Wayne in a diner late at night to ask about Parsa. All Wayne got was text messages from a 305 area code in Florida. Gibbs urges him to do what's right.

When Gibbs goes out to his car, a man jumps him. The two men fight until Gibbs knocks him down. "You have no idea what's coming tonight," the man says.

Back in Israel, Tony helps Ziva plant her new list of things to do. He asks her to come to DC with him. "I know it's hard and I know you want to change. I can change with you," he says, kissing her hand. She leans in close, but doesn't kiss him yet. "I'm fighting for you, Ziva," he says. "I know," she says.

Gibbs interrogates his attacker back at NCIS. He's just a hired thug. McGee traced the blocked numbers on the guy's phone back to Gran Castillo, Tomas Mendez' company. He compared the bombing materials and found they traced back to Medez's phone.

Fornell ignores a call from NCIS on his way to visit the billionaire with Mendez. At the house, snipers take out other snipers.

Captain Wayne approaches a sniper with a knife, saying he can't go through with it, it's wrong. The two men fight. Gibbs gets there as the sniper is dead and Wayne is bleeding out.

(Scene from the season finale.) Gibbs looks through the sniper's scope and sees Fornell getting out of a sedan on the street below. Fornell notices the snipers aren't where they're supposed to be. Fornell stands outside the car as Mendez pauses to answer his ringing phone – to detonate the bomb.

Gibbs looks through the scope and sees Fornell just slightly in the way of Mendez. Gibbs takes the shot.

Later, Mendez is dead and Fornell is fine, but complaining loudly about getting shot in the butt.

In Israel, Tony tries to get Ziva, one last time, to change her mind. She tells him she wants to follow her heart and make Gibbs proud. He's the "stop this for him." He encourages her to call Gibbs.

"Tony you are so..." she says. "Handsome, funny?" "Loved," she says. He kisses her hard, then he turns and walks away to get on the plane.

On the flight, he makes his own "I Will" list. He takes out Ziva's Star of David necklace and smiles.

Home alone, Gibbs puts a cold beer to his black eye. He answers Ziva's call, and listens.

Under the Radar

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Season Episode: 3

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Production Code: 237
Summary: The NCIS team must rely on Twitter for a case involving a missing Navy Lieutenant. Meanwhile, McGee misplaces his badge but withholds the information from Gibbs and the authorities.



A Navy dress uniform hangs from a chair in an empty apartment. The room is completely wired to blow, with a trip switch on the door.

The occupant's neighbor comes by to leave him a registered letter and the building manager offers to put it in his apartment. He opens the door, triggers the bomb and is blasted to smithereens.

At NCIS, Tony chafes to see large Murray at Ziva's desk, although Murray points out it's not Ziva's anymore. He's scrubbing her hard drive. He finds an old photo of Tony, which Tony takes back.

McGee comes in in a huff. He can't find his badge and ID. Tony suggests he wait to report the loss in case it turns up, even though waiting is a violation of the rules.

Gibbs come in with the body of the week: the building manager.

At the crime scene, the cop guarding the tape is actually checking IDs. Tony thinks McGee is screwed, but he loads up his arms, sticks a pad in his mouth and mumbles his way past.

In the charred apartment, Palmer and Duckie are loading up the building manager when Palmer gets a call from Breana – they're meeting with the adoption lawyer later in the day.

Outside, the neighbor who came to drop off his mail is freaking out. She's not much help, her ears are still ringing.

The occupant, Lt. JG Terence Keith, is on two week's leave visiting his mother in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. He wanted to fly, but washed out of the program. McGee calls Keith's mom – he hasn't been there and isn't expecting him.

There's no recent activity on his credit card or cell phone.

The office stops as Ziva's phone rings. Tony answers it. It's her dentist.

A loud woman comes in cheerfully calling Gibbs "probie." She's Vera, she has a meeting with Vance. She calls him Leroy and says they'll catch up later.

She's Special Agent Vera Strickland, Mike Franks' last partner.

Gibbs tells McGee to come with him to the Pentagon, but he lies and says Abby needs his help with something in the lab. He'd never get in the Pentagon without his ID. Tony insists he has nothing to do with the missing ID and asks if McGee left it on a booty call with DOD Delilah.

Down in the morgue, Palmer leaves early for his appointment with the lawyer.

In the lab, Abby is rocking out to the Sterile Puppets – she and McGee went to the concert last night. She mentions the band has been trending on Twitter since the show. He wonders if someone lifted his things at the show.

Abby lends him Ziva's scarf to help him feel better.

Duckie brings up the building manager's clothes, which have something fused on them.

Abby determined the explosive was 10-12 ounces of C4.

Gibbs meets with Keith's CO, who says his heart wasn't really in the job.

In MTAC, Vance and Vera are chatting when Vance notices McGee down on his hands and knees in the corner. He says he lost his car keys.

Vera's retiring at the end of the month and will be at admin riding out her time.

Abby IDs DNA on the bomb – it belongs to Lt. Keith.

They look over his phone records and find he called Lt. JG Dana Robins repeatedly over the past few days.

Tony looked into his background and found Keith was a science nerd in high school and got picked on.

Gibbs sets Vera up in an empty cubicle.

Down in the lab, Abby reports the C4 was manufactured by a company in Des Moines, which is only distributed by Pyrotechnic Engineering in Anacostia.

Tony finds Keith was an electronic engineering major, so he'd have the know how to make a bomb. Gibbs sends them to Anacostia and McGee has to confess he lost his credentials. Gibbs sends Vera with Tony, over her strong objections based on his history of car crashes and getting shot at.

At Pyrotechnic Engineering, Vera takes over Tony's interview and learns that Keith was there looking to buy C4 but was turned away for not having the credentials. The manager referred him to a demolitions expert, Larry Purcell, when Keith said it was for blasting tree stumps.

Gibbs meets with Lt. Robins at NCIS. She's deploying in the morning on the USS Benjamin Franklin. She flies F-18s. She and Keith were "just classmates." He was a good pilot, but the pressure got to him. He needed to be on anti-anxiety meds but couldn't and fly. She thinks he resented her moving on in training. She thought his call was odd, he wanted to see her, but she said no.

Tony and Vera go see Purcell, who says Keith was there a couple weeks ago. He says he has to go check his records to see if he sold Keith C4. He goes inside and Tony hears a noise. He tackles Vera out of the way just before Larry comes crashing through his garage door in a truck. Tony shoots out one of its tires and Larry doesn't get far.

Back at NCIS, Larry tells Tony he needed the money.

Vera joins McGee in observation. She has a severe ankle sprain.

Larry tells them he sold Keith 200 pounds of C4. Vance freaks out – that's more C4 than was used to attack the USS Cole in Yemen.

Abby reports that she got into Keith's hard drive and found he's been buying anti-anxiety meds online. The melted plastic on the dead guy's shirt was a private pilot's license registered to Lt. Keith – the contents of the registered letter the manager was going to put in his apartment.

Tony goes to visit the pilot who certified Keith. Keith rented a two seater for two days.

In a barn somewhere, Lt. Keith works on building a giant bomb.

Vance chats with FAA Director Stacy Bergin, who says the plane flew below radar so they don't know where it is.

Gibbs orders everyone to stay on alert.

The next morning, Vera gets off the phone with HR and rejoices that she doesn't have to come in to work anymore because of her injury.

Vance comes to McGee with his ID – it was turned in at RFK Stadium where McGee went to the concert. He's busted.

Gibbs, Vance and Duckie conference with Bergin in MTAC. Duckie profiled Keith and says his going off his meds suddenly could make him unstable. They think he's seeking revenge but still don't know where.

Down in the lab, Palmer is worried about his adoption chances given the macabre nature of his and Breena's work (she's a mortician).

McGee comes down, bummed about his ID and inevitable investigation. Abby mentions the band they saw has gone viral with more than one million followers. She knows the drummer. McGee gets an idea.

It takes several attempts to explain it to Gibbs, but they convince him to get Twitter followers to be on the lookout for Keith under #findthisplane.

McGee tracks the tweets that follow and they get a sense of its flight path. Admiral Wayne Hargrove scrambles two jets to intercept, but they can't shoot it down over a populated area.

From the tweets, they see he's flying a zigzag pattern. Gibbs realizes where Keith is going – to the Benjamin Franklin in the bay.

They find a way to access him via radio.

Up in the plane, Keith is twitchy.

The fighter planes catch up with him and the Benjamin Franklin goes on alert.

Gibbs radios Keith to tell him the Franklin has locked onto him.

"You don't understand, I need to do this," a shaky Keith says. Gibbs urges him to turn around so they can help him.

The ship is ready to fire.

Keith turns away from the Franklin and takes his hand off the switch – his plane explodes.

Later, the NCIS crew is ready to head home, but Agent Eugene Coyle is waiting for McGee about his credentials. Vance intercepts him – McGee and the rest of the team have been invited to the White House for saving the Benjamin Franklin.

Anonymous Was a Woman

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Recurring Role: Muse Watson (Mike Franks)
Guest Stars: Jackie Geary (NCIS Agent Susan Grady), Lolita Davidovich (Catherine Tavier), Ramon De Ocampo (Navy Lieutenant Thomas Gorman), Tehmina Sunny (Leyla Shakarji), Fred Cross (Roland Pulvino), Alexander Wraith (Farshad Sarabi), Paul Hodge (U.N. Solider), Nikka Far (Elina), Paris Benjamin (Mor), Shani Atias (Stoic Afghan Girl), Jasmine Di Angelo (Halia), Ben Maccabee (Afghan Local Leader), Zoey Diaz (Amira)
Production Code: 238
Summary: Gibbs and McGee travel to Afghanistan when a murder case leads them to an Afghan women's shelter Mike Frank's secretly supported for years.



A pillow store owner comes to work and notices a drop of blood leaking through a hole in his ceiling. He looks up through the hole and sees a dead body staring back at him.

At NCIS, Palmer snoops on Tony's desk and finds a hand written letter from Tony to a woman named Jessica, apologizing for something.

"What are you, in some kind of 12 step program for recovering misogynists?" McGee asks. Tony says the last few weeks have made him think.

NCIS Special Agent Susan Grady, from the polygraph room, comes in with

the body of the week. At the apartment, the victim's ID says Sgt. Patricia Moreno.

Grady is applying for a full-time criminal investigator position. Tony thinks they can't let on how much Grady annoys them or act threatened, or Gibbs will like her.

Duckie arrives with some Duckie facts on pillows, but gets shutdown at "buckwheat."
The body is corroded with acid.

McGee looks Sgt. Moreno up and finds she died in Afghanistan three and a half years ago.

Back around the big screen at NCIS, the rundown: Moreno was killed by an IED and her body was sent back to Kansas. They think the victim stole her ID to steal her identity. The ID was stolen en route.

Susan is talking to Moreno's family, but Tony tells Gibbs not to hold out much hope. He backpedals, and he and McGee both say they don't need a third person, but Gibbs asks if they're threatened.

He barks at them to get on ID'ing the body.

Down in the lab, Abby has ID'd the acid used on the body, but it's common. There's DNA on the necklace she's testing. The necklace stone is from Afghanistan, as is the inscription on the back. They look up an old job application and notice her emergency contact: Leyla Shakarji, Mike Franks's daughter-in-law.

Gibbs and Tony pay a visit to Leyla at the park with her daughter. (The kid wants to know if Gibbs is coming over to play Twister again.)

When Leyla looks at a picture of the woman, she says she doesn't know her. But they tell her the woman was murdered. Leyla says she only met her a few times, Mike asked Leyla to look after her. She never saw her again after he died.

Two Years Ago Mike drops in on Gibbs in his basement, with a Middle Eastern teenage girl named Elina, saying he needs to leave her with Gibbs for a few days. He says there's no one else he can trust, but Gibbs can't ask any questions.

In the car on the ride home, Tony thinks Leyla was holding out on them.

Abby calls to report the DNA on the necklace is from Farshad Sarabi, who has a history of domestic violence and works in a garage with acid.

Gibbs remembers waiting for Mike with Eleni, who barely speaks English. He asks her where her family is. "Sold me to man," Eleni says. And old husband, she explains.

Back in the morgue, Duckie speculates the victim died in an honor killing – killed by her family for things like refusing to go along with an arranged marriage. The victim also has scars from a lifetime of beatings.

Gibbs remembers seeing Mike drop Eleni off with a couple.

Mike tells Gibbs about helping get a 12-year-old away from her rapist uncle in Afghanistan and becoming a sort of underground railroad for girls being moved by a women's shelter in Kabul. He asks Gibbs to put in a transport request for six refugees from Kabul to El Salvador, saying he'll do the rest.

Back in interrogation, they have Farshad Sarabi in custody. Grady comes in to do the interrogation. When Tony and McGee are surprised, she also tells them the investigator job she wants is in San Diego and they relax.

They found a list of Afghan women's names linked to dead service members in Farshad's apartment. Three names have been crossed off, including the victim's.

Grady sits down with Farshad and accuses him of murder. When he denies it, Tony is ready to play bad cop, but so is Grady.

She needles him about motive until he says the women brought shame upon their family and it was god's law that they be punished. Even if they stop him, someone else will get to them.

In MTAC, Gibbs calls Lt. Thomas Gorman, the liaison to the women's rights group who says all the women on the list stayed at the same women's shelter in Kabul.

Gibbs heads to Kabul with McGee. They meet Catherine Tavier, who runs the shelter. She shows them inside and she confirms the dead woman was Nadira. She's sure her family killed her, because they're the only ones who'd "care enough" to kill her.

Catherine knew there was a conduit to the US, but now it's closed. The other women under assumed names in the US are being brought into protective custody, but they need to find out who leaked the names. Catherine tells Gibbs that Mike Franks spoke very highly of him.

Gibbs remembers back to the travel request – but tearing it up before he submitted it.

In Kabul, McGee tries to talk to the women in the shelter to find out who might have leaked the names, but he's getting nowhere. There's one woman he hasn't spoken with yet.

Tony calls on a video conference with the other women whose names were on the list. As he talks to McGee, one of the women with Tony sees one of the women in the shelter – it's her mother, whom she hasn't seen in two years. Catherine explains that the mother was supposed to follow to the US, but it didn't happen after Mike Franks died. Tony called immigration because the women are in the country illegally, but Gibbs tells him to file requests for asylum.

They're interrupted when someone throws a rock through the shelter window.

Gibbs remembers Mike Franks coming to him, railing at him for not submitting the travel request. Gibbs says he's a federal agent and can't get involved with human smuggling. He cites his own Rule 10: Never get personally involved on a case and Rule 14: Bend the line, don't break it.

Mike reminds him about getting Leyla and Amira into the country. Gibbs asks him where the line is, how many do they let in.

Back in the shelter, McGee tells Gibbs about the girls' stories: one was sold into an arranged marriage at 13 and one was beaten by her father for kissing a boy. Thomas gets word that there's a bonfire planned at the shelter and says they've been recalled to base. He says they can't get involved due to the rules of engagement.

Gibbs looks around at the scared, defenseless women and refuses to go. Tom says the girls will be fine, but it'll turn violent if they stay.

Back at NCIS, Tony says good-bye to the refugees, then gets a call from McGee. He and Gibbs are both staying. He asks for satellite support.

After night falls, they board up the shelter. Shots come through the windows.

Tony calls to say a UN team is on the way. He checks the satellite and reports five attackers on foot.

Gibbs remembers seeing news reports about six Afghan women killed in a similar attack, in which Catherine was the lone survivor. Mike harangues Gibbs, saying he could have gotten the girls out.

Back in the shelter, they can't fire upon the attackers because they're outnumbered and the villagers would turn on them. And there's clearly no negotiating. Gibbs declares that the men are bullies, and resolves to stand up to them. Gibbs removes his weapons and goes outside to confront the men. One of them is holding a Molotov cocktail that he hasn't lit yet.

One of the men approaches Gibbs and throws a punch. Gibbs knocks him down then stands there defiantly. The man with the bottle goes to light it, but McGee shoots the bottle. The men all aim their weapons at Gibbs, but he stares them down.

When another man approaches with a knife, Gibbs quickly subdues him. Finally, their UN support arrives and essentially shoos the men away.

"Boss, you saved the shelter," McGee says. "For now, what about tomorrow?" Gibbs asks.

Back home, Tony says the leak turned out to be one of the girls who was threatened. Gibbs returns home with Catherine – and all the women from the shelter.

"Mike would be so proud of you," Catherine says.

Once a Crook

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Guest Stars: Margo Harshman (Delilah Fielding), Augustus Prew (Anton Markin), Patrick Mulvey (Milo Rankoff), Mac Brandt (Jake Spoke), Samantha Quan (Amy Linden), Andrew Friedman (George), Sherri Parker Lee (Martha), Dylan Gelula (Young Marie Markin), Wes McGee (Navy Petty Officer First Class Andrew Wells), Susan Spano (Marie Markin)
Production Code: 239
Summary: DiNozzo spots a suspect from a 15-year-old cold case he handled when he was with the Baltimore PD at the scene of the murder of a Petty Officer.



A wounded man stumbles through the woods at night. He reaches the road and sees a stopped car. He tries to call for help, but can't manage the words and the couple inside is arguing and doesn't notice him. Before he reaches them, he's shot. They drive off.

At the office, McGee is surprised to see Tony at work at 7 a.m. He got a lot done in the morning, because he hasn't slept. McGee has noticed Tony has been different the past few weeks (with Ziva gone). Tony admits it's been a few days since he slept.

Before McGee can pester further,

Gibbs arrives with the body of the week: A dead sailor outside Baltimore.

At the park, walking to the crime scene, Tony crunches coffee beans and rejects McGee's offer of sleeping pills.

The victim is first class Petty Officer Andrew Wells, he was a cryptotech who just returned from overseas. McGee says he was staying in a really nice hotel room and goes to check it out.

Tony notices one of the lookie loos stands out from the crowd of joggers. The man runs when Tony calls after him, saying he knows him. Tony loses him. Gibbs notices Tony acting strangely. Tony picks up a wad of Choward's grape gum at his feet.

Back in the office, Delilah Fielding is sitting at Ziva's desk and tells Tony she's joining the team. She's joking, the DOD sent her over because Andrew Wells had top level clearance. He was due to report to a base this morning.

Tony has a pack of Choward's gum, which takes him back to 15 years ago when he was a beat cop in Baltimore, busting a kid named Anton Markin with gum and stolen cell phones.

McGee reports Wells was staying at a \$1,000 a night hotel and had \$10,000 cash in his room. They sent his laptop to Abby to go over.

In the lab, Abby doesn't have permission to log on, so she took it apart instead. She finds the insides don't match the case and it has spyware in it.

Down in the morgue, Duckie knows Ziva is the reason Tony isn't sleeping. Tony thinks he's starting to hallucinate.

Up in the office, McGee reports Wells' room was paid for by Amy Linden, a private defense contractor who used to work for Chinese tech companies. He called her repeatedly in the past few days. She could be Wells' handler and Gibbs wants them to pick her up.

Gibbs goes with McGee when he sees how out of it Tony is.

Abby brings Tony the DNA report on the gum – it belongs to a fugitive wanted for stabbing a Russian mobster, the kid he busted all those years ago, Anton Markin.

15 years ago

Anton cooperated with Tony on the name of the guy he got the cell phones from, but Tony knows he's part of a Russian crime syndicate so he takes him to his apartment to press him. He knows Anton was present at the murder of a truck driver recently. Anton admits it, but says he waited in the car and didn't know anyone was killed. Tony leans on him to cooperate, but Anton is worried about his sister.

Tony goes to his old apartment, which is boarded up. He finds Anton inside. Anton holds a gun on him, remembering how the last time Tony convinced him to help, he lost his life and his sister. Anton blames him for what happened to him, but Tony says running was his choice.

Anton hesitates shooting him and Tony takes the moment to swing at him. Anton runs and Tony follows, but he loses him.

Tony calls McGee to look up the address of Anton's sister Marie Markin, but asks him not to tell Gibbs.

Back at NCIS, Gibbs and McGee sit down with Amy Linden, who says she wanted Wells for his cryptology skills. She's a headhunter. The \$10,000 was a signing bonus.

In the lab, Delilah is looking over Wells' computer and Abby is digitally scanning the bullet fragments.

Delilah finds a file she doesn't understand in Wells' computer and thinks it's something – but it's his fantasy football team stats. They find he logged in from another computer.

McGee calls Gibbs to report Marie works at Rankoff's Bakery in east Baltimore. Gibbs hears the conversation.

Tony knows the bakery.

Flash back to 15 years ago Tony goes to the bakery looking for Anton, who's late for his shift. He meets Marie, who defends her brother, saying he only stole to get by. Tony is there because Anton missed a meeting with a detective. He promises to take care of Anton.

In the present, Tony runs into Milo, the owner's son who he met at the bakery 15 years ago. Milo gives Tony Marie's address.

When he gets there, he sees a broken window and blood inside. He hears a noise. But it's not Anton – it's Gibbs.

Wells served overseas with Marie's husband, who died a couple weeks ago in the line of duty. They think Wells' beating started in the house.

Gibbs asks Tony about Anton. He killed one of the Russians he was informing on and skipped town, leaving Marie. But Tony doesn't think Anton killed Wells.

"It was just one of those cases, everything fell apart," Tony says. He knows Anton is a killer, he stabbed that guy 15 times. Tony just wants to find out what went wrong.

McGee shows Gibbs and Tony fingernail scratches in the garage. They find Marie's necklace. Gibbs looks around and find a hidden compartment in the garage with a stash of counterfeit laptops worth \$300,000 on the street.

Back in the lab, Abby and Delilah worked together to crack the laptops and learn they can be traced. The spyware is American, planted to track the people smuggling them. The computers belong to US Customs.

Back upstairs, McGee explains Marie's husband was Sgt. Randy Hollister, whose partner was Jacob Spoke. Customs recently raided a warehouse owned by Spoke and arrested both men. They let Hollister go when they couldn't find the computers.

15 Years Ago Tony comes home to find Anton hiding in his apartment. Anton thinks his boss knows he's snitching, but Tony tries to convince him to go through with it, then leaves for the

station to put the operation together, leaving Anton in his apartment to wait. It was Tony's first time running an informant.

At NCIS, Tony admits to Gibbs that he couldn't pull the trigger when Anton ran. "You followed your gut," Gibbs allows.

Tony thinks he can't rely on his instincts anymore. "I was wrong to trust Anton, maybe I was wrong about a lot of people," Tony says. "Are we still talking about the case?" Gibbs asks.

Tony says it's weird how no one will say Ziva's name. Every time he looks at her desk he feels like he made the wrong decision, except it wasn't him that made it. Gibbs still trusts him.

Gibbs, Tony and McGee go to Spoke's warehouse and find Anton with a gun on Spoke, demanding to know where his sister is. Tony convinces Anton to put down his gun, promising him they'll find Marie together.

Gibbs talks to Spoke in interrogation. He says he has no idea where Marie is. He is too scared of the people running the computer operation to rat on them.

Abby tells Gibbs the bullet that killed Wells was also used in a truck hijacking 15 years ago.

Tony talks to Anton, telling him everything that's happening is because of him and the Russian gangster he killed 15 years ago. Anton still blames Tony for not being there that night like he promised.

Anton tells Tony that that night 15 years ago, when Tony left to go back to the precinct to set up the operation, a guy came to Tony's apartment for him and took him to the shipyard. Anton says they were going to kill him and he grabbed the screwdriver in self defense. He ran because he knew how bad it looked.

He came back for Marie's husband Randy's funeral and they're still after him.

Tony goes to confront the person who told the gangsters that Anton was working with the police: Milo at the bakery. Milo goes for a gun, but Gibbs comes in the back and stops him.

It's the same make and model that killed Wells, which means he has Marie. Milo says he convinced the gangsters to let Marie live, but then Anton became his debt. He sent guys to watch Marie when she told him Anton was coming to Randy's funeral. His guys held the guy who showed up – but it was Wells, not Anton.

Wells ran.

They demand to know where Marie is.

Later, Tony tells Anton that Marie is safe. Anton is in custody and being taken to Baltimore. Tony wants to help. He shows Marie in to hug her brother.

At the end of the day, Tony stays to make sure Anton is processed smoothly. Then he kicks up his feet, leans back in his chair, and promptly falls asleep.

Oil and Water

Season 11
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Season Episode: 6

Originally aired: Tuesday October 29, 2013
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Director: Thomas J. Wright
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Recurring Role: Diane Neal (CGIS Special Agent Abigail Borin)
Guest Stars: Leslie Hope (Secretary of the Navy Sarah Porter), William Ragsdale (Brett Creevy), Rodney Rowland (Operations Officer Jonah McGuire), Jon Lindstrom (Perry Davidson), Rick Gonzalesz (Lenny Machaca), Chelsea Harris (Danielle Benton), Fay Masterson (Paige Hebner), Brent Huff (Rig Foreman), Michael Buonomo (Coast Guard Petty Officer Third Class Dennis Latrobe), Peter Downing (Captain)
Production Code: 240
Summary: NCIS partners with the Coast Guard Investigative Service to probe a suspicious explosion on board an oil rig. Meanwhile, a prankster targets the NCIS team.



On an oil rig on the ocean, they run a drill for an attack. When it's over, there's an explosion.

In the office, McGee arrives to find his desk completely covered in plastic wrap. Abby is upset that someone moved her desk three inches and concludes they're dealing with a sadistic, evil genius. Tony denies responsibility.

Gibbs comes in with the body of the week: a dead Marine at Virginia Beach.

At the scene, Coast Guard Special Agent Abigail Borin (Diane Neal) is in charge. The victim, Marv Hebner, was on the bridge at the time of the explosion.

The victim's wife Paige arrives and Marv's friend Jonah confirms it's Marv.

A freighter captain called in to report he passed a motorboat with its lights off last night. They get notice that Homeland Security put all rigs on alert.

Back at the office, it's victim rundown time. Marvin Hebner completed three tours in the Middle East until returning three months ago and going to work for City Line.

Gibbs get a call that annoys him greatly. He goes to the conference room to meet with Secnav Sarah Porter and City Line CEO Perry Davidson and Brett Creevy, their lead counsel. They're assuming the attack was terrorism.

Davidson says if it was an attack, it wasn't very strategic – it has a smaller crew and output than other rigs.

Down in the morgue, Agent Borin joins Duckie. There's a faint beep from somewhere. Gibbs comes down and Duckie reports that Hebner drowned. Duckie pulled gold fragments from Hebner.

Borin gets a call that the rogue motorboat has been found abandoned, it was stolen from a cruiser.

Duckie hears the phantom beep again.

McGee comes down to the lab and grabs a fire extinguisher when he sees an open flame. Abby was burning sage to purify her work space.

Abby found malware on the rig server sent through email spam. McGee scans the malware for a coding signature.

Tony and McGee go talk to Danielle Benton, the programmer. She explains she created the software for her senior thesis years ago as a tool for anti-corporate intelligence gathering. It has no input capability. "It's looky, no touchy," she explains.

McGee is chagrined he didn't realize it.

With the crime scene released as structurally sound, Borin and Gibbs go check out the blast site. She tells him about her time in Iraq, including narrowly surviving an IED attack. Gibbs finds the detonator, which rules out terrorism. Since the bridge is a poor place to try to take down the rig, they figure Marv himself was the target.

Gibbs and Borin take their theory to the CEO and lawyer. They tell them Hebner had a falling out with Jonah over an OSHA infraction and Jonah was about to be fired.

When McGee and Tony meet with Jonah says Marv was his closest friend. Jonah says Marv actually committed the safety violation, but Jonah took the fall for him to try to repay him for everything he'd done for him.

Agent Borin drops in on Abby to learn about the bomb. The cell phone detonator was untraceable and the main ingredient in the explosive was pure black powder, which isn't very powerful. Also, the bomb was placed in the one spot on the rig where it wouldn't trigger a chain reaction.

In the office, Tony gets nervous that Secnav is hanging around so much.

McGee runs background checks on the food service employees who weren't screened by City Line. He finds Lenny Pachaca has a record and was aboard as Lenny Machaca. He did time for possession and transportation of explosives.

When Borin and Tony go to pick up Pachaca, he runs when he sees them. Borin cuts him off and takes him out with a well-placed board.

Back in interrogation, Pachaca calls Hebner a "tightly wound hardass." He says his past explosive dalliances were just for fun blowing stuff up. Borin paints a gruesome picture for him of what being caught in a blast is like, from her own experience narrowly missing an IED in Iraq. She gets too intense with him and Gibbs relieves her.

Secnav shares memories of Boston with McGee. Gibbs is annoyed. McGee confirmed Pachaca's alibi.

Tony reports the server of the firm that designed the rig was hacked recently and the only plans compromised were those of the City Line. They decide to look at Danielle Benton again.

When Secnav leaves, Gibbs follows her. He wants to know what she's doing there. She assures him it's only for the case, and she isn't concerned about him adding someone to replace Ziva.

Gibbs sits down in the park with Borin. She admits she thinks about that day in Iraq everyday and replays things she could have done differently. She lost three people that day, including her boyfriend. She saw him blow up and pulled his body from the water.

Tony calls with Danielle's location. Borin wants to pull out of the case, but Gibbs won't let her.

Danielle, an eco warrior, is found on a boat with 50 gallons of black gun powder in its hold.

Back in interrogation, McGee confronts Danielle with surveillance photos and security access codes to ten biotech labs hit by arsonists. Her prints are all over them. She says the lab experimented on animals and she saved lives.

She says she got the plans to board City Line in a protest, the explosion harmed sea life, which goes against everything she believes in.

Down in the lab, Abby says she found sturgeon leather in their crime scene. The gold Duckie found was from a locking mechanism. Putting them together, she traced them to an attaché case. She was able to connect it to Brett Creevy, the corporate counsel.

As they wait to interrogate Creevy, McGee reports Creevy lost his life savings in a Ponzi scheme last year. He shorted City Line stock and made tens of millions after it crashed following the explosion. He has a flight booked to the Maldives tonight.

Gibbs lets Borin talk to him. She confronts him with the evidence and the fact witnesses remember seeing him with the attaché case on the rig, but don't remember him leaving with it.

Creevy cracks and say no one was supposed to get hurt.

Back upstairs, Duckie comes up with the source of the beep – a tiny gadget designed to beep intermittently. They all assume Tony's behind it, in part because he haven't been pranked. He picks up his bag to go, but falls over under its weight – it's packed with books and dumbbells.

Borin drops in on Gibbs in his basement. She assumes he's behind the pranks. He asks her if she's interested in coming to NCIS. She's tempted, but doesn't feel her work with the Coast Guard is done yet. But she leaves the door open.

Better Angels

Season 11
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Season Episode: 7

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Recurring Role: Ralph Waite (Jackson Gibbs)
Guest Stars: Josh Gordon Emerson (Aaron Connolly), Rocky McMurray (Howard County P.D. Officer Ray Mitchell), Kelvin Yu (Sebastian Kim), Caryn West (DCS Department Head Karen Fox), Connie Jackson (Elaine), Tom Fitzpatrick (Walter Beck), Jocelyn Ayanna (Asabe Dawson), Andrew Lander (Young Jackson Gibbs), Austin Bowerman (Young Walter Beck)
Production Code: 241
Summary: After Gibbs leaves mid-case to help his father reconnect with a former war pilot, Tony and McGee argue over who should run lead on the team's investigation into the murder of a Marine Sergeant.



We start with the body of the week, Sgt. Michael Dawson, dead in a robbery in a suit store.

Gibbs' dad calls him.

Tony talks to the owner, "Mr. Spiffy." A guy came in with a mask and a gun and demanded the money. He was going to turn it over, but Sgt. Dawson intervened and the robber shot him and ran off. "Spiffy" looks like he's going to lose his lunch.

There have been three other armed robberies in the area this month. Gibbs answers the call from his dad – but it's not his dad, it's a police officer. Gibbs

hears his dad ranting in the background, asking them what law he broke.

Back at the office, Tony is more concerned with what happened with Jackson than their case. He thinks Jackson got busted with a "lady of the night." Or he was trying to buy an exotic pet.

McGee thinks Tony is in a mood. Tony dumps a box of files from Metro PD on McGee's desk and announces he's taking point. He tells McGee to go through them looking for a connection.

Gibbs picks his dad up from the station, thanking the officer for handling it. Jackson's ornery, he hit a parked car. The officer says they need to take his license away.

Jackson was on his way to pick up Gibbs to go visit an old war buddy in North Carolina after receiving a letter from the man saying he's dying. He has things he needs to say to him.

Jackson remembers the war and radioing in that he's hit.

Jackson reminds Gibbs of the name Walter Beck, the other pilot from a story Jackson told him about flying. Jackson insists that Gibbs meet Walter. "I need you to do this, please," Jackson says.

In the lab, Abby tells Tony that Dawson was killed with a Glock 17 .9 mm, similar to the gun used in the other robberies.

Tony conferences McGee in with Gibbs. He says the other robberies seem similar. Gibbs tells McGee he has point. McGee starts giving Tony orders.

On the road, Jackson remembers being in the air with a busted compass and no ammo, radioing for help. Gibbs thinks he knows the story.

Tony talks with Michael's mother. She didn't know he was on leave. She assumes he was working on something, which is the only reason he wouldn't call.

Gibbs and his dad stop at a diner, but Jackson is extremely anxious to get back on the road.

Tony brings McGee surveillance footage from outside the suit shop that shows Dawson was being followed – they now think the shooting was staged to look like the other robberies.

Tony and McGee agree to be co-point on the case. Michael Dawson was on seven day leave from Anacostia, nothing odd in his bank records. He had a minor drug charge years ago, but that's it. He was on loan working for the Defense Clandestine Service, even though he was a mechanic.

Jackson and Gibbs reach Walter's house in North Carolina. Gibbs learns that Walter didn't know they were coming.

Jackson remember looking over midair and seeing Walter flying next to him and motioning for him to follow.

"He saved me, Leroy. I was flying in the wrong direction. He turned me around, brought me home on his wing," Jackson said. He wants to wait for Walter.

McGee and Tony meet with Dawson's DCS boss, Karen Fox, who says he was an incredible asset. They ask for his files. She references his past pain pill problem and the fact he seemed stressed lately.

But Abby reports he had no drugs in his system. Abby figures out that Dawson speaks Jala, because that's what his mother spoke growing up in Nigeria. There's a Nigerian terrorist group using it as a code because so few speak it.

Abby got the tip from McGee's girlfriend at the DoD. They think Karen Fox brought up Dawson's pill use to throw them off the trail and buy the DCS time to cover their tracks.

They send word to Gibbs, who tells his dad it's time to go home. Jackson gets upset, saying again he wants Gibbs to meet Walter.

Tony and McGee try to figure out where to go next, wondering how to get the DCS files. Gibbs shows up at the diner, telling them they have to go to DCS to read the files.

McGee briefs Gibbs, saying not only could he not find record of Walter Beck in a hospital or morgue, there's no record of him serving with Jackson.

In the morgue late at night, Duckie commiserates with Gibbs over the pain of watching a parent age. Gibbs is disturbed that his dad lies to him about things that matter. Duckie urges him not to give up.

Gibbs tells his dad about finding no record of Walter Beck. Jackson isn't surprised – Beck was German, the enemy. Walter wrote to Jackson and said he saved him that day to remind himself of who he was. He's dying and all he can think of is the people he killed over ideas that weren't his.

Gibbs agrees to try to try to track him down.

Tony and McGee report back after their night reading at DCS – Dawson broke the Jala code so they don't think DCS had any reason to want him dead.

Gibbs sees in Dawson's phone records that only two people called him at work, his mother and a guy named Aaron Connelly. He drives an SUV like the one they're looking for. They go to his apartment, where Connelly busts out of his closet and tackles McGee. After they subdue him, he insists he didn't want Dawson dead.

Back in interrogation, they found that Connelly was on bath salts and PCP. Connelly insists he didn't know the weed was laced. They haven't been able to find the murder weapon.

Connelly admits he drove by the suit shop, but he didn't kill him. Dawson was his sponsor in Narcotics Anonymous.

Connelly says he showed up at Dawson's place high and it crushed Dawson. He took Connelly's stash and took off to confront Connelly's dealer – the owner of the suit shop.

Tony looks through the drawers of the suit shop and finds a hidden compartment full of heroin. Mr. Spiffy says he didn't kill Dawson, but then Tony finds the murder weapon.

Down in the lab, Abby has determined what ambulance company transported Walter. They look in his letter to Jackson and see the name of a hospice.

Gibbs takes Jackson to the hospice and gently suggests his dad move in with him. "I appreciate the offer, I do. Maybe I'll take you up on it when I start getting old," Jackson says.

Inside, Walter cries when he sees Jack and hugs him. Jack introduces Gibbs, saying what he did made his son possible and Gibbs helps people. Jackson says his son is the best person he knows.

Alibi

Season 11
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Season Episode: 8

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Guest Stars: Salli Richardson-Whitfield (Carrie Clark), Dameon Clarke (Homicide Detective Paul Dockry), Steven Helmkamp (Marine Staff Sergeant Justin Dunne), Rodney Eastman (Wendell Kaiser), Nicole Steinwedell (Olivia Chandler), Jeff Harlan (Reverend Miller), Connie Jackson (Elaine), Eltony Williams (Marine Gunnery Sergeant Cal Groves), Abe Daniels (Marine Private Daniel Cliff)
Production Code: 242
Summary: The NCIS team is forced to re-examine a hit-and-run murder case when a former FBI agent turned lawyer confides in Gibbs that her client's confidential alibi is solid. Meanwhile, McGee grows suspicious of Tony's strange behavior.



Marine Corps Base, Quantico. A female Marine is jogging down a muddy road when a red pick-up with a white stripe nails her from behind. The driver gets out to check and, upon seeing she's dead, flees the scene.

On the scene, Tony is missing. He told McGee he'd get a ride; he still hasn't replaced his car. McGee gets a text from Delilah, they're thinking about getting away for the weekend.

The victim is a petty officer third class. She'd been training for a marathon and running every night.

McGee is curious about the "friend" who finally drops Tony off. Duckie estimates TOD around 10pm.

Back at the lab, from a headlight shard, Abby has ID'd the vehicle as a 2005 Dodge Ram.

Upstairs, McGee reports that make and model truck is registered to Marine Staff Sergeant Justin Dunne, but he never left the base last night. He's a helicopter mechanic with a past DUI.

When Tony and McGee go check out the truck, they see it has serious front end damage. McGee is nervous things came together so quickly.

They go to pick-up Dunne, who is washing a bloody knife in his apartment when they knock on the door. He sneaks out the window, but McGee catches him.

Back in interrogation, Dunne tells Gibbs he hasn't driven the truck in a couple days and was asleep at home last night. He says he's been sober for 13 months. He won't explain why he tried to run.

Down in the garage, Abby is hoping to match Dunne's boot to the foot print from the scene. The truck is definitely the murder weapon.

The next day, Tony rides the elevator up with Carrie Clark, a former FBI agent now in private practice. She's representing Dunne.

When Tony notices she doesn't have a wedding ring on, he calls Tobias Fornell to get the scoop.

Dunne tells Carrie he wasn't driving his truck. She thinks he seems nervous. He doesn't want to tell her his alibi. After he quadruple checks that she can't repeat what he says, he tells her he was 35 miles away in Falls Church - stabbing a guy to death.

Back upstairs, Carrie says her client has an alibi, but won't tell them what it is. She says she's going to check his alibi herself and get back to them.

Down in the garage, Abby tells Gibbs the truck was wiped clean of fingerprints, even the spare key hidden in the wheel well.

Carrie calls Gibbs to tell her that Dunne's alibi checks out, but she still can't tell him what it is.

Gibbs notices she didn't call from her cell phone and McGee traces it to a pay phone in Falls Church. They think Carrie just dropped them a clue.

Tony and McGee head to Falls Church and notice a police car in the area and meet Homicide Detective Paul Dockery, who tells them the cigar store owner was found dead upstairs last night. He tells them to tell Gibbs he says hi.

In the garage, Abby reports she found a thumb print on the back of the rear view mirror - it matched Private Daniel Cliff.

In interrogation, Gibbs asks Dunne about Cliff.

Out in the hall, Gibbs asks Carrie about the Falls Church murder and if her client could have done it. She only says he didn't do the hit and run.

In the office, Tony satisfies McGee's curiosity and says he's been riding public transportation.

When Gibbs gets there, McGee says there's no connection between Dunne and the dead cigar store owner. Dunne called a woman named Olivia Chandler at lot.

Gibbs confronts Cliff Daniels in interrogation and he cracks quickly, saying he knew where the spare key was from back when Dunne was drinking and locked himself out. Gibbs doesn't want to charge Daniels just yet, because they'd have to let Dunne go.

Gibbs goes to meet with Detective Dockery. The store owner was a bookie. Dockery is looking at a man named Kaiser who owed the bookie lots of money, but he has an alibi.

Back in the office, McGee has a photo of Olivia Chandler, the woman Dunne called often. She's drop dead gorgeous but married to a much older man. She has a DUI on her record.

McGee found Olivia Chandler's car on traffic cameras in the area where the bookie was killed. Gibbs tells McGee to try to link gambling or Kaiser to Dunne. He tells Tony to check out Olivia Chandler, making Tony's day.

Tony talks to Olivia outside her house. He admires her Astin Martin. She met Dunne in an AA meeting. Tony notices her suitcase. She says she's going to Jamaica with some girlfriends.

Back in the office, Tony looks over Dunne's credit card charges and sees multiple charges at a motel.

Their 48 hours are up and they have to let Dunne go.

Tony heads to the motel, where the desk clerk recognizes Dunne's picture. And even though he arrives separate from Olivia, he recognizes her photo, too.

Duckie drops by Gibbs' basement to ask him what's bothering him. He says he's worried about Carrie Clark, and burning her if they mishandle the direction she pointed them in. She could be disbarred for steering them.

Tony and McGee stake out Wendell Kaiser's apartment. They follow him to an AA meeting at a church. It turns out Tony knows it well. The Reverend knows him by name, from the meetings Tony attends. It's a men's support group, after the past year, he wanted to shake things up.

The Reverend drove Tony to Quantico the other morning.

Back at the office, Tony reviews the AA connection between Dunne, Olivia Chandler and Wendell Kaiser. Kaiser wanted the bookie dead, and they think Olivia wants her husband dead. They think it's going to happen when Dunne ships out tomorrow and Olivia goes to Jamaica. Olivia drove Dunne and he killed the bookie.

Detective Dockery talks to Kaiser after his meeting, mentioning Dunne and Olivia to him. He offers him a deal if he talks first. Gibbs watches as they take him in to custody.

Olivia is about to leave for her trip when the police pull up to arrest her. They get Dunne off his ship before he ships out.

Carrie Clark meets Gibbs at his diner. He plays dumb when she tells him about the arrest of her former client. They found the murder weapon at his house. She feels good about things, she did her job and now it's not her problem. She joins Gibbs for dinner.

Gut Check

Season 11
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Season Episode: 9

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Writer: Christopher J. Waild
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Recurring Role: Leslie Hope (Secretary of the Navy Sarah Porter)
Guest Stars: Alan Ruck (Ward Davis), Geoffrey Blake (Marc Attencio), Gideon Emery (Rudolph Stalin), Tim Peper (NSA Agent Chad Flynderling), Nichelle Hines (NCIS Special Agent Norma Hench)
Production Code: 243
Summary: After discovering the Secretary of the Navy was bugged during a confidential briefing, NSA Analyst Eleanor "Ellie" Bishop, who predicted the security breach in exact detail two years ago, partners with the NCIS team on the case.



SecNav Porter leads a presentation in MTAC to four defense contractors United Equinox Electronics, Galaxy Missile Corporation, Dearborn Dynamics System and Beringer Marine about a new destroyer class.

When she finishes, MTACs alarms go bonkers, shutting down at the sign of someone trying to hack into the system. The threat is coming from inside the room.

At his desk, Tony tries to make small talk with Norma, another agent. He tells her hes apparently dating a tennis pro she left her number on a tennis ball on

his pillow.

Gibbs comes down with the crisis of the week not a body, but the breach in MTAC.

Upstairs, Gibbs sweeps the defense contractors and the room and they find nothing. But Tonys scanning wand goes off as SecNav walks by. Tony pats her down and they find a flash drive with a pinhole microphone hidden in her pen. Shes the breach.

In the elevator, SecNav tells Gibbs she has no idea where the pen came from and the last time she can remember using it is to sign a permission slip for her daughter yesterday. He believes her, explaining she gets the benefit of the doubt. She had classified briefings at three DOD facilities yesterday and the strategies she talked about could cause serious issues if they leak.

McGee reports on Abbys findings on the pen. Based on the battery charge left, they think its been recording for 30 hours or so. Its not transmitting, the information has to be downloaded, which they have to assume has happened already.

Tony gets off the phone with the NSA. They have a threat assessment two years ago on this exact situation. Gibbs and Tony go to talk to the analyst to talk to NSA Special Agent Todd Flynn Flynderling, who isn't thrilled to refer them to the person who wrote it.

Flynn takes them to see NSA Agent Eleanor Ellie Bishop, who is reading and rocking out to loud music. Flynn sneaks up on her, causing her to cite Rule 1: When my earbuds are in, flash the desk light.

She remembers the report, she wrote it after finishing Cocoa Pebbles and seeing the pen prize inside. She says she didn't give the report to anyone else. She plops back down and puts her earbuds in, explaining she's not a field agent. But Gibbs wants her to come with them, they get a call of a second pen.

Gibbs takes her to the morgue, where an accountant for United Equinox is on the slab. The DC ME found the second pen on him after the alert. He died two days ago of myocardial infarction. But the pen is missing, collected by someone posing as an FBI agent. Ellie gets an idea.

Tony and McGee find Ellie sitting on the breakroom floor with her earbuds in, surrounded by papers. Tony notices a gold ring on her finger and wants to know if she's married. She says the person who stole the data has three options: release it in the name of freedom of information, which hasn't happened; sell it to an enemy country or sell it back to the US. Gibbs comes in to report someone just called to sell it.

SecNav got a demand for \$10 million in an email. They have an hour. Ellie plops herself down on top of Zivas desk and suggests they pay him and follow the money. Vance says SecNav approved making the payment.

SecNav runs interference between Ward Davis with Beringer Marina and Marc Attencio, with United Equinox. They worry what the news leaking would do to their company's stock.

SecNav takes Gibbs and Vance aside and tells them she's calling in more NSA help because she wants to make it right.

Ellie drops in on Abby in the lab. She got a description of the fake FBI agent who picked up the second pen and ran it through facial recognition and ID'd it as an American named Rudolph Stalin, with ties to Russia. Abby gets a call.

At the scene of the money drop, Agent Flynn has been shot dead. The bad guy accessed the money through coffee shop wifi, so Flynn came alone to check it out.

Ellie arrives in time to see Tony pull her report out of Flynn's pocket.

Back in the office, they confirm the \$10 million is still there. Bishop realizes what someone could get out of luring and killing a federal agent: proof that their intel is legit so they can sell it to another, bigger, buyer. She blames herself for not realizing it and starts to get frantic.

Gibbs suggests she take a break.

Down in Abby's lab, she presents Gibbs with a date and time stamp of when the pen info was downloaded 7:30 last night, when she was at dinner. Abby found Stalin on a traffic cam sitting outside the restaurant.

SecNav sits down with Bishop in the breakroom and Bishop tells her how hard it is not being able to talk to her family in Oklahoma about what she does. Tony comes to get her, they found Stalin.

At the movie theater, Gibbs orders Bishop to stay in the car as he and Tony go inside to find Stalin. Later, she sees Stalin run out the back door. Worried he'll get away, she blocks him with the car and knocks him out. Tony comes out and says Gibbs had the exit covered.

Back watching interrogation, Bishop apologizes to Gibbs for hitting him. She remembered reading in his file that he was a high school track star. She remembers most of what she reads. She has an idea to pose as his lawyer, just being careful not to explicitly say she is.

She and Gibbs join interrogation, she lays out her business card. Stalin says he didn't do it, but Edward Gracie did. When she leaves, she points out to Stalin that she gave him her real card.

Down in the garage, they're heading out to go to Gracie's place, but Bishop gets called back to NSA HQ to debrief.

Gibbs, McGee and Tony bust into the office building rented to Grace, but it's empty. They find lots of spy pens along with flyers for a heart disease charity. He sends the pens with junk mail in the hopes people will keep the pen. They find a shipping receipt to Sarah Porter and many others.

At NSA, Bishop gets an idea and looks something up. She likes what she finds. She drives to a mailbox store, she discovered Grace was an alias and had a weekly charge to the mailbox store. As shes about to walk in the door, Gibbs calls and angrily asks what shes doing there. Theyre staking out Edward Gracie hes inside.

He walks out and sees Bishops NSA tag. He pulls his gun and tackles her as Gibbs and Tony drive up and get out of their cars. By the time they get there, Bishop is sitting on top of Gracie with his gun in his back. She has three older brothers. Gibbs is annoyed with her.

Later, Bishop doesnt think their corporate pretty boy fits the crime. She thinks he wouldnt make the jump to treason without a good reason trying to impress his boss.

Bishop looks up the staff lists from the corporations in MTAC this morning. Bugs have been sent to every person on the list, except one: Beringer Marina, the one paying Gracie. They wonder what Beringer has against her.

Later, Gibbs meets with Ward Davis with Beringer. Gibbs pretends to be frustrated with Sarah Porter and Ward vents, saying he was on the short list for SecNav but he declined because he didnt have a military background. He thinks she should have done the same thing. Porter, Vance and Gibbs confront him with the pen. He says he was just trying to protect the military, but Porter says she doesnt have to be military to serve with honor.

Bishop goes to see Gibbs late at night to apologize for not being a team player.

He directs her to papers on Zivas desk Bishops NCIS application from years ago. He remembered her name and looked her up, which is why he brought her along today. He offers her a joint duty assignment.

Devils Triad

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Recurring Role: Joe Spano (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell)
Guest Stars: Melinda McGraw (Diane Sterling), Bryce Johnson (I) (Eddie Mackin), Sterling K. Brown (Elijah Banner), Juliette Angelo (Emily Fornell), Lucy Butler (Roda Robinson), Jeffrey Hutchinson (Mister Dale Wagner), Eva La Dare (Clown/Myster Woman), Will Buchanan (Marine Corporal Ron Flegman)
Production Code: 244
Summary: Complications arise when the NCIS team discovers a link between a murder victim and the current boyfriend of Gibbs and Agent Fornell's ex-wife. Meanwhile, NSA Analyst Ellie Bishop adjusts to joining the NCIS team.



A Marine leaves someone a message saying they need to talk and he can explain everything. He returns to his apartment and hears an odd squeaky sound from down the hall. A clown steps out – and shoots him in the chest.

In the office, Ellie Bishop gets her stacks of paperwork to finalize her joint NSA-NCIS assignment from Rhoda, the legendary no-nonsense HR woman. Then after that she has to take another polygraph and survive Gibbs, who arrives with the body of the week: A dead marine in Potomac Heights.

On the scene, the victim is Cpl. Ron Flegman, stationed at Quantico, worked in the motorpool. Ellie and Tony got a sketch of the clown from a neighbor's description. Gibbs orders them to pull all the street performer's weapons permits.

McGee finds the Marine's second cell phone including dozens of missed calls from the same number before he died. Tony recognizes it as the Adams House, where his dad always stays.

Tony and Gibbs head to the hotel room and use the key to go in. They find Gibbs' ex-wife, Diane Sterling, on the bed. Then Tobias Fornell comes out of the bathroom wearing only a towel.

Gibbs wants an explanation, especially since Diane is married. She says she's getting a divorce from Victor, and they were going to tell Gibbs but were keeping things quiet for their daughter Emily's sake.

Gibbs tells Tobias about the missed calls. Diane confesses she was calling her boyfriend Eddie to break up with him (while Tobias was in the bathroom). She doesn't see what the big deal is

with a little "innocent overlap." She's not surprised Eddie's phone was found on a dead guy, since he seemed shady and had no credit history.

Back at NCIS, Tobias joins them for the rundown. Eddie Macklin works at a local climbing gym, but they found nothing on him prior to six months ago.

At the gym, the owner Elijah tells them Eddie missed his personal climbing instruction appointment. He recognizes the client as the victim. He gives them the info on the car Eddie put on his employment application, because they found none registered to him.

Later, Tobias drives Gibbs home. "What the hell am I doing, Gibbs? I feel like I've been swallowed by a python, cut my way out and crawled back inside again," Tobias says. "That's about right," says Gibbs.

Tobias says it's different this time and tries to get Gibbs' to weigh in. He finally settles on "If you're happy...."

Tobias is interrupted by a call from his neighbor who watches Emily. She didn't come home, for the third time this week. He leaves to go search the mall.

Gibbs goes inside his house, glad to be free of their drama, but a teen girl is waiting for him. "No way in hell am I living with either of them if they're back together," Emily says.

The next day in the office, Emily asks Gibbs to let her stay with him another night, but he says her parents want her back. Ellie presents an overly wordy update on the case to Gibbs, and Emily tells her that he thinks she's doing a good job, but needs to relax.

When Diane sees her daughter, she tells her she's in big trouble, but Emily starts arguing back about how terrible her parents are together. Finally, they think to ask her how she even knows. She put a keystroke logger on both their Facebook accounts.

Abby comes up and tells Gibbs that Eddie exchange racy texts with Diane – then she notices Diane standing there.

Tobias races down to Abby's lab to read the texts, followed by Diane. Abby manages to remove them from her screen remotely, but Tobias wants to know how innocent the overlap was.

The suspect sent texts to a burn phone about a security box. Gibbs takes her to the bank to ID Eddie from the security footage.

When the bank manager leaves Gibbs and Diane alone, she unburdens herself. "Jethro, what am I doing? I feel like I drove my car into a ditch, dug myself out and then drove right back in again," she says.

She says it's his fault for shooting Tobias in the rear and she had to nurse him back to health. She wants to know if they're making a mistake.

The manager interrupts with the security footage and the box. Eddie's been there ten times in the last few weeks, but only stationary is left in the box.

Diane sees Eddie on the footage, kissing a woman.

Ellie drops in on the morgue to familiarize herself more with dead bodies. She looks at Flegman's body and is able to deduce everything before Duckie and Palmer can tell her: that the body wasn't moved and that a bruise on his leg indicates he was diabetic. She read the 600 page autopsy manual over the weekend.

Tony interrupts with a cupcake to celebrate Ellie's first joint duty BOLO coming in. Eddie's car was found in airport longterm parking. She can't go, she has to take her polygraph.

Tobias joins Abby in the garage, where she's going over Eddie's car with McGee. They found a clown nose in the truck and minute traces of blood in the car from four separate victims. Tobias giggles over the idea that Diane's ex was a serial killer.

Back in the office, they're focusing on Eddie as the main suspect. Diane calls Gibbs for the fifth time to see if they've found Eddie yet. He says no and hangs up. Then Tobias calls and he goes through the same routine. Finally, when it rings again, he dunks his phone in his coffee.

Ellie joins them, after finding her polygraph a breeze compared to NSA. Gibbs tells them to expand the BOLO on Eddie to train and bus stations. "That's a bad idea," Ellie blurts out. Instead, she suggests they put his car back at long term parking and wait for him to come back, then follow him to see where he goes.

Gibbs goes for it, to the shock of McGee and Tony.

Gibbs goes home for some peace and quiet and a sandwich, but he hears noises coming from his basement. He goes to investigate and runs into Diane. She and Tobias had plans with Emily and she didn't show, she thought Emily might be there.

Gibbs ushers her out, then hears a ringing from his closet. He finds Emily. Her Happy Cat Friend Alert watch is going off – she set it to remind her to record a "Colombo" marathon. She asks him to help her break her parents up. She says all they do is fight, then says it's OK when it's just the three of them, then says she doesn't want to go through them breaking up again. Gibbs is confused about what she wants. So is she. "You suck at this," she tells him, completing the Fornell family trifecta of advice sought and rejected.

Gibbs gets a call from Tony: Eddie returned to his car.

In the morning, Gibbs joins the team. Tony reports Eddie drove all night to lose a tail, then went into the storage locker where they are. Gibbs and Tony open the unit and find what Tony calls "Hannibal Lecter's little hobby center," with a mask and various tools. It's empty, then they see Eddie walking up to it. He takes off running and Tony follows. Eddie hits a dead end into a building, but then he uses his climbing skills to scale the wall and drop to the other side – where he runs into Tobias' fist.

In interrogation, Eddie says the storage unit isn't his. They found almost \$100K in cash hidden in it. Eddie worries that "he" will be angry if he finds his money missing. Eddie gets up to leave, but Abby slides a file under the door. She connected one of the blood spatters to an unsolved quintuple homicide.

Eddie insists he didn't kill anyone, the car is ten years old and is from a police impound. Then his demeanor shifts completely and he says his name isn't Eddie Macklin: It's special agent Edward McKenzie, with the Secret Service. He's in the middle of a highly classified six month operation.

Later, in the conference room, Edward updates them on the money laundering case. They traced one of the sources to the Tower gym, where he went undercover. The cash came from a bank robbery gang, the owner Elijah Banner ran it with his girlfriend. Edward went with her to the bank to rent a safety deposit box to case the joint.

Flegman drove the getaway car, but they haven't been able to tie Elijah to the robberies. He thinks Elijah's girlfriend was probably the one who killed Flegman, she works kid's parties as a clown. McKenzie wants to put the money back before Elijah notices he's gone, but before he can leave, Elijah calls him and asks to talk to Fornell.

He knows McKenzie got picked up and he has Tobias's daughter, Emily.

The team goes into overdrive. McGee reports there was a camera in the storage locker and Elijah must have seen them collect his money.

Tony calls from the climbing gym, where they've found Elijah's girlfriend dead and surveillance photos of Fornell with Emily.

Elijah calls and demands Ellie meet him alone with his cash. Gibbs leaves what to do up to Fornell, who asks Ellie, the analyst, if she thinks Elijah can be trusted. She says yes and goes to the meet.

In a park, Elijah jogs up, takes his money and gives her a phone, saying he'll call with Emily's location.

When Ellie checks in over comm, McGee suggests they can look up the phone to see where it's been, and maybe find out where he's going. Emily tries to look it up, but the phone doesn't work. She realizes something's wrong. Rather than reporting back, she takes her earpiece out and sits down to think in peace.

She doesn't see any upside to killing Emily and she runs through all the possible scenarios, knowing he can't use his white van to get away because they're looking for it. She sees a blue van parked nearby and realizes he painted it. She runs over and opens the door and finds Emily unharmed inside.

Ellie brings her back to NCIS, where she has a happy reunion with both parents. Gibbs tells Ellie good job, but warns her not to ever take her ear piece out again. They worry Elijah got away. "Oh, he didn't get away. My last name is Fornell, after all," Emily says.

Elijah pulls up to a gas station on his motorcycle and is quickly surrounded by Fornell and Gibbs. He asks how they caught him and Gibbs pulls Emily's Happy Cat Friend Alert watch out his backpack. It's Blue tooth enabled, McGee traced it.

Elijah curses Emily and says he shouldn't have let her go. Tobias decks him.

Gibbs comes home after a long day and crashes on his couch. Then he sees Diane and Tobias sitting at his kitchen table with a bottle of liquor. He tries to run, but they stop him. They want his blessing. He thinks about it.

Homesick

Season 11
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Season Episode: 11

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Guest Stars: Ben Vereen (Lamar Addison), Meredith Eaton-Gilden (Carol Wilson), Matt Biedel (Navy Lieutenant Kevin Daly), Holley Fain (Audrey Daly), Gabriel Tigerman (Max Comey), Kiara Muhammad (Kayla Vance), Akinsola Aribio (Jared Vance), Alyvia Alyn Lind (Emma Daly), Luke Colombero (Tommy Daly), Michelle Pierce (Breena Palmer), Emily Wickersham (NSA Agent Ellie Bishop)
Production Code: 245
Summary: After a mysterious illness strikes children from military families, Gibbs and the team investigate the cause. Meanwhile, Abby and Jimmy partner with the Naval Medical Research Center to determine the strain of illness, all in hopes of delivering a cure before the holidays. Also, Vance struggles with forgiveness as his estranged father-in-law makes a surprise visit to his home.



A Marine comes home for the holidays to see his wife and two kids. He goes to check on his young daughter Emma, who came home early from school with a fever. When he touches her, she's burning up. Her parents try to rouse her, but can't.

At NCIS, Tony is looking forward to spending his Christmas in Jamaica. Ellie is going home to Oklahoma where her husband and brothers will argue about football.

Abby presents them with her lab-baked holiday cookies. McGee gets off the phone and reports about Kevin and Audrey Daly and their daughter, Emma.

She's in the ICU. Ellie recognizes the symptoms as McGee describes them, the same thing happened to her Marine friend's son, who's now on a respirator.

Gibbs comes in and reports there are eight sick kids total. Abby's oldest friend Carol, who works at the Naval Medical Research Center, is with him.

Abby worries it's bioterror. Carol and Abby will coordinate with the CDC while NCIS works the case.

At home, Vance checks on his own kids before he takes them to school. Outside, Vance isn't happy when he sees an older black man named Lamar Addison on his lawn. Lamar assures him he's not looking for trouble, as he extends a hand, but Vance is angry and suggests he return to New York. He tells his kids the man is nobody.

At the hospital, the total of sick kids has reached 14 and none of them is responding to treatment. Tony calls and says there are five more cases at Washington General in the last hour.

At NCIS, Duckie is impressed by Palmer's epidemiology knowledge from classes he took after Tony got sick. He suggests Palmer help Abby and Carol pour through the data.

In Vance's office, he tells Gibbs about Lamar Alexander: he's Jackie's father. He owns a chain of car dealerships in New York and walked out on Jackie and Michael when they were kids.

Palmer's wife Breena stops by the lab to tell him the agency may have found them a birth mother to meet with. He's excited, but that's interrupted by Carol isolating the pathogen through a microscope. It doesn't look like anything they've ever seen.

Back upstairs, the number of sick kids keeps rising. Gibbs calls everyone to the big screen for an update, but Ellie stays put to follow a lead – not knowing they always meet around the screen in the second act.

Ellie gets a name from a government watch list: Max Comey, a scientist fired for stealing mold samples. He lives on the same street as a school four of the kids attend. He also got in a fight with a Marine recruiter last week after he was rejected.

Tony, Gibbs, and Ellie go to Max's apartment, but it's completely empty. Gibbs finds a bio-hazard bag in the trash. Duckie calls to report the illness caused a death of an elderly person. The victim is Lloyd Grunfeld, a Vietnam Vet who managed an on-base dry cleaner.

There are now 28 sick children.

Max's coworkers say he was egotistical and thought highly of himself.

Down in the morgue, Duckie tells Gibbs that Lloyd died of aggressive pneumonia. Palmer starts to worry about having kids at all, given the fear over things going wrong. Abby and Carol work to ID the strain.

Vance has Lamar brought into his office after his nanny called to say Lamar was at his house. Lamar wants to get to know his grandchildren, but Vance tells him Jackie always told them their grandfather was dead and he doesn't intend to say otherwise. Lamar offers to pay for the kids' college if he can meet them but Vance bristles at the idea he's trying to buy them. He throws Lamar out.

Down in the lab, Abby and Carol have ID'd the strain as strep pneumonia and the hospitals are going to start administering the right drugs.

Back upstairs, they're reviewing video of the kids to see where they might have picked up the germs.

McGee gets word that Max Comey has been located. Gibbs wants Ellie to approach him since he fancies himself a ladies man. She flirts him up at the Christmas tree lot where he's working. She says she temped with him and flatters him. "They'll know they've made a mistake soon enough, I'll show them," Max says.

The team comes out and searches Max's van. They find a biohazard cooler in it.

Back in interrogation, Max says the lab was throwing away the mold spores. Max says he kept them to do his own experiments. Max says he was planning to make his girlfriend Bernadette sick so he could cure her to make her appreciate him.

Later, Duckie thinks Max is completely delusional and Bernadette probably isn't even his girlfriend. Abby comes down with bad news, that the illness is not what they thought and the kids aren't responding to treatment.

Gibbs calls Vance at home to update him. Vance's doorbell rings, it's Lamar. He has one thing to get off his chest. Vance hears him out. Lamar says he left Jackie's mom Millie because he felt too young to handle the responsibility. He later had his own family and raised three wonderful kids. Then he got a letter from Jackie last Christmas.

Lamar says he's just worried about the kids' safety. Vance points out the card Lamar got is an unsigned Christmas card, and even their mailman got a more personal note. "You've got regrets, that's on you, but it's not up to me and my kids to make them go away," Vance says.

In the lab, they're now confronted with lesions the kids are developing. Palmer insists on staying for the all-nighter, even with the meeting with the birth mother tomorrow.

At the hospital, McGee gets word the number is up to 34 sick kids from eight different hospitals, from Portsmouth to Baltimore. They can't find any crossover.

Gibbs notices the candy stripers, dressed as elves heading home. He gets an idea.

Back at NCIS, the team has spent all night cross-checking volunteers at base holiday markets. All of the kids attended one.

Vance drops in on the lab. The lesions are now turning purple, which prompts Palmer to say he's never having kids. Abby gives him a lecture on how good things like optimism, compassion, and faith are supposed to be infectious at the holidays. Vance takes note when she lists forgiveness.

Gibbs conferences in to ask if the disease could be African. They've narrowed patient zero down to the Marine who played Santa at all the holiday parties – who also took his suit in to be dry cleaned. He just returned from Congo. With Africa as a parameter, the lab geeks identify it as meningococcal A, which is treatable, and begin alerting the hospitals.

At the hospital, the Dalys watch as Emma wakes up. Jimmy and Breena meet with the birth mother.

Vance introduces his kids to Lamar, their grandfather.

Ellie shares her mom's coffee cake with Gibbs before he leaves for the airport, saying it always makes her happy and everyone deserves to be happy at Christmas.

Kill Chain (1)

Season 11
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Season Episode: 12

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Writer: Christopher Silber
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Recurring Role: Susanna Thompson (Army Lt. Col. Hollis Mann)
Guest Stars: Margo Harshman (Delilah Fielding), Julie Ann Emery (Erin Pace), Karan Oberoi (Benham Parsa), William DeVry (Nay Lieutenant Commander Stone), Brandon Gibson (Hal Beem), Justin Cuomo (Navy Petty Officer First Class Patrice Gates), Ravi Kapoor (Bashir Malik)
Production Code: 246
Summary: When a stolen drone is linked to the elusive terrorist Parsa, the NCIS team partners with the Department of Defense, including Gibbs' former girlfriend, Hollis Mann, to track down the device before it is used for a large scale attack.



A woman waits for a man in a park. When Danny comes, she's hugely relieved. But she's nervous and says they have to get out of there. They hear a noise in the air, possibly a helicopter, and as they turn to run a bullet cuts through the air and Danny falls down, dead. The woman runs to him, then runs away.

In the elevator up to work, Delilah is annoyed with McGee when he's telling her he needs more notice for something. Ellie joins them, she's excited to meet Delilah, who she describes as "a big deal in the analyst world, ever since Operation Pin Drop." But they can't tell McGee what

it is.

In the office, Tony is up to speed on McGee and Delilah's tiff because McGee butt-daïled him. Delilah is being awarded an impressive intelligence fellowship and wants him to go to a black tie gala tomorrow. McGee says he can't get time off, but Gibbs joins and is open to the idea.

Then he gets the call with the body of the week: a dead Marine in Rock Creek Park.

As they're leaving, Gibbs tells McGee not to use him as an excuse.

In the park, the victim is Daniel Coyne. He was killed by a sniper bullet from an acute angle – close and high up.

Tony talks to a dog walker who is clearly crazy and says he saw a grey airship. Ellie has a sketch from other witnesses' descriptions. It's a Navy surveillance drone.

Back in the office, Ellie reports that Coyne was a drone operator at Pax River. She hands Tony a primer she wrote on the merits of drone warfare. Tony thinks he knows everything there is to know about computerized technology from SkyNet in the Terminator movies.

Down in the morgue, Duckie smells Shalimar perfume on the victim, meaning he was very near a woman with expensive taste. Duckie finds that Coyne had sex shortly before he died.

At Pax River, Lt. Commander Stone tells Ellie and Tony that none of their drones are missing. He calls himself a hall monitor given the inexperience of the drone operators, but says Coyne was the exception and had a bright future.

He was seeing Petty Officer First Class Patrice Gates, who thought they were getting married. But she's not the Shalimar-wearer. She didn't know Coyne was cheating and couldn't have modified the drone into a weapon.

McGee says only someone who worked for the defense contractor Rhinehart Carrion would have the know-how, but they're under investigation by the DOD. Delilah arrives to meet with Vance and Gibbs.

In MTAC, Delilah describes a drone strike in Pakistan six months ago targeting Benham Parsa in retaliation for the murder of SecNav. Parsa escaped, but the mission was a success. Coyne was part of the kill chain, although his drone crashed. They think Parsa or his people may have recovered the crashed drone and smuggled it into the States. If so, they're not done attacking.

The DOD investigator arrives: it's Gibbs' ex-girlfriend Hollis Mann. She tells them Rhinehart's systems were hacked a month ago. They have one suspect: Erin Pace, a computer engineer who's gone missing. Her photo looks like the woman in the park.

Gibbs wants to take over the investigation but Hollis points out she was appointed by the Inspector General. She speed dials the Secretary of Defense, who tells them to work together.

Downstairs, McGee and Tony use the big screen to brief Ellie on the many loves of Gibbs. Diane, "Satan's spawn" the first ex-wife; Stephanie, ex-wife three. Ex two is a mystery. Hollis was supposed to be ex number four, but one day she just moved to Hawaii.

Gibbs comes down and requests info on Parsa.

Hollis and Gibbs join Abby in the lab, where the DOD has sent over things from Erin Pace's apartment. She wears Shalimar. Abby swabbed the OJ for DNA and got a hit for Yusef Ryder, a violent ex-con who recently converted to Islam.

Back upstairs, they report Yusef skipped parole two weeks ago and they have footage of him looting a gun store, including taking a high powered rifle. The van he was driving has been spotted a motel.

The team heads there.

In the car, Hollis tries to talk to Gibbs. She tells Gibbs she got married two years ago to a trauma surgeon.

They notice Yusef's van rocking and close in. When they open the doors, they find Erin tied up in back. Gibbs assures her she's safe.

"I'm not safe, none of us are," she says.

Back at NCIS, Erin ID's Yusef as one of the three or more Pakistani men who kidnapped her. One spoke almost proper British English, and was polite. Something strikes Ellie and she starts researching.

She refused to modify their drone until they showed her a feed of her husband asleep in bed in Mali, where he works for an NGO, then she did what they asked.

She wasn't having an affair with Coyne, she just worked with him. They forced her to get Coyne to the park as a test run. She thinks someone important is next, revenge for an attack in Pakistan. She heard the word "acrobat."

Hollis knows it as a secret service code name. Erin IDs a photo Ellie shows her: The polite man is Benham Parsa.

Gibbs and Ellie brief Vance on the fact Parsa is in the country. The Secretary of Defense is meeting with several world leaders tomorrow, Hollis is already working to relocate it. Vance tells them to track the drone.

McGee runs into Delilah in the hall. She bought him a tux. She understands that with Parsa in the country he can't come to the gala, but she doesn't understand why he was so resistant in the first place.

Back in the office, Ellie is stumped over what Parsa is really up to, saying he only plans large scale attacks. They realize Parsa can't use military satellites to control the drone, so he must be nearby. McGee starts tracking.

Later, Hollis joins Gibbs in his basement. She brought bourbon and wants to apologize. She tells him she could tell he wasn't ready to let go of his past so she made an executive decision and left. "You should have just asked," he says.

She turns to leave, but he invites her to stay and pours her a drink.

In the lab, Abby and McGee scan low frequency radio providers.

Abby grills McGee on why he's being dumb about Delilah. He says he needs space, but she says he's just scared of getting hurt and Delilah is the best thing that's happened to him in a long time.

They get a hit on the emergency broadcast tower, broadcasting a second carrier wave. McGee traces it to a storage building.

On site, the team sees Yusef loading up his truck. Tony steps out and shouts NCIS. Yusef turns to fire at him, with Ellie right behind him. Then Yusef dives back into the warehouse. Ellie fires and the whole building explodes.

Down in the NCIS garage, Ellie is kicking herself for blowing up the building and the drone. But, going through the wreckage, Abby finds evidence of a bomb. Yusef blew himself up.

Abby has sorted things into bomb components, drone parts, and miscellaneous. She and Ellie start going through them.

McGee comes down in his tux. With the immediate threat over, he's going to the gala. When he leaves, Abby finds parts that don't make sense.

She and Ellie report to Gibbs, the parts are spare parts and they were supposed to explode. The drone is still out there.

Down in the morgue, Duckie examines Yusef's body and finds tattoos for multiple prison gangs. Yusef went with whoever could protect him, not the type to martyr himself for a cause. So Yusef didn't kill himself, Benham Parsa detonated the bomb.

Ellie and Tony go back at Erin. They've looked at her correspondence and finances. They know she hasn't spoken to or corresponded with her husband in the 11 months he's been gone. He left her saddled with debt from gambling. And they found \$5 million in a living trust set up for her sister, who's in a care facility. Parsa didn't threaten her, he bribed her.

They call her a terrorist and tell her she'll spend 50 years in jail. She changes her tune and starts bragging about the drones she helps build.

Ellie briefs Gibbs. The drone is loaded with 100 pounds of C4, but Erin doesn't know the target. Ellie knows Parsa's targets are symbolic.

They realize he's targeting the gala McGee is attending, where half the intelligence community is gathered.

They call McGee at the gala. He steps outside to take the call and Delilah goes in.

Tony tells him to get everyone out, but McGee looks up and it's too late.

Gibbs gets a call with the source of the signal where they believe Parsa is. He and Hollis go to the building and find three men inside. They shoot two but the third runs. He makes it to the street. Gibbs fires but an SUV pulls up and the third man, Parsa, gets in and gets away.

Back at NCIS, Tony reports there are four dead at the hotel and a few dozen wounded including Delilah, who's in surgery.

Gibbs is focused on finding Parsa. He grabs all the intel and lays it out on the floor for Ellie to go over. "Get the son of a bitch," Gibbs says.

Double Back (2)

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Guest Stars: Margo Harshman (Delilah Fielding), Ravi Kapoor (Bashir Malik), Wendy Makkena (Dr. Rachel Cranston), Alanna Ubach (NSA Senior Intelligence Analyst Sofia Martinez), Kovar McClure (NIS Special Agent Duke Turner), Carlton Wilborn (Marine Master Sergeant Charles Garrett), Jeff Galfer (CIA Case Officer Victor Hodge), Monica Lawson (Nurse 1)
Production Code: 247
Summary: In an effort to find the terrorist Parsa, Gibbs and the NCIS team track down one of his cohorts using evidence from the drone attack. Meanwhile, an emotionally shaken McGee struggles with the ramifications of the incident.



Following the drone strike at the Conrad gala, McGee goes to see Delilah in the hospital. Six people were killed and 22 wounded. "It was Parsa, did you get him?" Delilah asks, before she crashes. Nurses come to wheel her into surgery, she's not breathing.

Back at NCIS, Ellie is surrounded by their old intelligence, looking for something they missed. Tony, knowing she has her earbuds in, confesses he feels helpless to help McGee. Ellie takes out her buds out and explains why she's on

her third bag of junk food. "Cheese puffs are the perfect food to support the linkage between new info and stuff already stored in the brain. Just like the cheese particles link the cheesy taste," she says.

But she hasn't gotten anywhere yet.

Gibbs arrives and suggests Parsa's surviving bodyguard knew nothing. Ellie thinks that makes sense given how Parsa operates.

Suddenly, Gibbs orders them to grab their gear. "I knew this day would come. Did you just hear about a body telepathically?" Tony asks.

"It's not a body, it's a bullet," Gibbs says.

Gibbs takes them back to the alley where he shot at Parsa as he was getting in the SUV. He sees a shell casing and follows the trajectory to a bullet hole in a door across the alley. Back in the lab, Abby has DNA from the bullet belonging to Bashir Malik, a U.S. citizen who grew up in Karachi. He's a suspect in an unsolved bombing at Camp Pendleton in 1990. If he was responsible, the two decades since is "a long time to get very angry and very organized," Abby says.

Back at the hospital, McGee gets a visit from Dr. Rachel Cranston, Kate's sister. She's there as a crisis counselor. McGee says Delilah's parents are on the way from Wisconsin, but he told everyone else to focus on Parsa. Rachel offers to stay, but he declines.

At the big screen, Ellie says Malik was arrested for assaulting a police officer in 2002 when the officer thought he was involved in a kidnapping. At the time of the 1990 bombing he was a delivery driver for Wellspring Fruit. He was brought in for questioning repeatedly but the investigation never got anywhere.

Ellie suggests that because Malik got away with it back then he wouldn't have a reason to change his tactics, so anything from back then could help them now. Unfortunately, the NIS agent who investigated it is Duke Turner, and he's dead.

Gibbs stays to go over the video of the interrogations while Tony and Ellie got to the NSA. NSA Senior Intelligence Analyst Sofia Martinez greets them. She says the recent Interpol summit on Parsa concluded that he would leave the country after the drone attack. Martinez delights Tony by thinking he looks like Robert Redford and getting all his movie references.

Martinez is the "Smee" (Subject Matter Expert) on Benham Parsa. She's been monitoring Benham's sister's communications since 2007, she gets lots of calls from payphones in code. They ask for her reports and she says good-bye, calling Tony "DiNoknowsital," which he loves. He asks Ellie if Martinez is single, but says she reminds him of someone annoying, he just can't think of who. (Himself.)

Back at NCIS, Gibbs watches Duke's interview with Bashir, in which he insists he was in the area of the bombing only to deliver fruit. Gibbs asks Duckie to do a profile of Bashir. Duckie thinks it's odd that someone with Bashir's experience would bow to Parsa.

Neither of them has heard an update on Delilah from McGee.

Ellie announces that Parsa's SUV has been found. Tony, Ellie and Gibbs head to the scene, where the SUV is a smoldering heap following an explosion. Ellie recognizes Parsa's handwriting in the windshield message to them: "Try again."

Later, Gibbs joins Abby in the garage. She found two bolts that don't come from the SUV. Abby thinks the explosion was covering something else.

McGee joins them. He says Delilah is stable and in recovery. He's ready to work, but Gibbs is concerned and asks for his fitness for duty paperwork first.

Gibbs sits down with the witness who saw Bashir at Camp Pendleton 23 years ago. He was out for an early morning run and saw the fruit truck parked at the side of the building, when deliveries are usually to the front. He saw Bashir Malik by the truck. He's kept tabs on info about him since then, and thinks he might have been responsible for the Keely Smith kidnapping that he assaulted the officer over in 2002.

Rachel Cranston comes to NCIS to talk to McGee. She sees Ellie perched above her desk for a fresh perspective on the evidence. They talk briefly about the women who sat there before, without Rachel saying she's Kate's sister. Rachel says she thinks both women would say there's no better place to grow than a desk next to McGee, Tony and Gibbs.

Martinez calls Ellie with info. Ellie goes to MTAC to take her call securely. Martinez starts the call by saying Tony reminds her of someone annoying, but she can't think of who. "Yourself?" Ellie suggests.

Tony joins them and Martinez relays that they picked up a call that Parsa's sister received containing the numbers 180, 60 and 45. The sister said "it's not enough."

McGee talks to Rachel, saying he's fine. She thinks he's giving the perfect responses, but she'd rather hear the real ones. "Is it just me you're shutting out, or is it everyone?" she asks. He says again that he just wants to get back to work.

Gibbs watches more of Bashir's interview. He helplessly insists that he was there to deliver fruit and parked in the wrong place because he hadn't been there before. "Sir, I am not a terrorist, I just move things from one place to another," Bashir says.

Gibbs takes that to Duckie. He thinks he delivered the fruit while someone else delivered the bomb. And he didn't kidnap Keely Smith, he was helping her flee her abusive husband. He's hired transport, which could mean Parsa is gone for good.

In the morning, Tony volunteers to bring McGee a casserole, saying his men's health group encourages him to be sensitive during difficult times. Gibbs comes in for an update. McGee has found cash deposits in Bashir's account around the time of the 1990 bombing and Keely Smith's

2002 disappearance. Malik knows all about trucks, trains and cargo planes from his work at Wellspring as director of transportation.

Gibbs tells McGee to take it easy.

Down in the garage, Abby tells Gibbs that she found the SUV was modified. The gas tank was moved and split into the doors and there was a compartment big enough to hold a person.

Back upstairs, Tony tries to fit in a 6 x 2 x 1.5' space and asks if Pakistan uses metric. Those numbers come out to about 180, 60 and 45 in centimeters. Benham's sister was worried the space was too small. They don't think there's a chance she'll turn on her brother, so they decide to use her loyalty instead.

The CIA sends one of their embedded agents to Parsa's sister's house in Karachi to tell her something went wrong with his escape. Martinez conferences in in MTAC as they wait to see if the sister will react. Martinez says she's methodical, so they have to wait.

Rachel stops Gibbs. She just spoke with Delilah's parents – a piece of shrapnel moved and Delilah is paralyzed. McGee left the hospital before she ever woke up.

In MTAC, Parsa's sister makes a call and McGee traces it as the CIA and Martinez at NSA listen in. The sister talks to Bashir Malik, who assures her he's doing his part. They trace Malik's phone to a DC address.

When they're done, Gibbs tells McGee to talk to Cranston.

Tony and Gibbs head to the address where they traced the call. They find Malik burning documents in an oil barrel. They take him into custody.

Back at NCIS, Rachel tells Gibbs that McGee took off and she doesn't think he's fit to be at work. She suggest they let him process things on his own.

In interrogation, Tony has confidence that Gibbs will get Malik to give up Parsa's location. Ellie is restless and goes to help Abby with the burned documents.

"Sir, I am not a terrorist, I just move things from one place to another," Malik says.

Gibbs shows him pictures of the victims as Bashir boasts about his skill but insists he's not a terrorist. Gibbs leaves, frustrated, and goes to think.

McGee approaches him at his desk, telling him he wants to work. "You're more important than the job," Gibbs says.

Gibbs knows McGee feels responsible and is just blaming himself so Gibbs tries to assure him they are responsible. He tells McGee to go back to the hospital and just talk to Delilah and tell her the truth.

Gibbs goes back to Malik and makes a pitch to him to do the right thing. He says he put Parsa on a freight train in Baltimore hidden inside a car. He was supposed to move the body guard as well, but couldn't after they lost the SUV. The train was going to Miami and Parsa was supposed to get off along the way.

He asks Gibbs to be sure to tell people he's not a terrorist.

Back at the hospital, McGee joins Delilah.

The team works in the garage to figure out where Parsa could be. McGee texts Gibbs. Gibbs goes to the hospital. McGee plans to come in tomorrow to tell the others what happens. He asks Gibbs to sit with him.

Monsters and Men

Season 11

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Season Episode: 14

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Guest Stars:	Karan Oberoi (Benham Parsa), Nestor Serrano (NSA Supervisor Jeremy Marlens), Shishir Kurup (Khalil Farooq), Aaron Hill (Navy Seal Lieutenant William Blake), John Allen Nelson (JSOC Vice Admiral Lloyd Manditsky), Rob Evors (Navy Hull Technician Chief David Harketti), Adrian Gonzalez (II) (Watchstander)
Production Code:	248
Summary:	The murder of a port authority officer reveals Parsa's possible whereabouts, as the team continues their tireless hunt. Meanwhile, Bishop reveals her past association with the elusive terrorist.



Ellie Bishop hits balls in the batting cage and gets a visit from her NSA Supervisor Jeremy Marlens. He's concerned she's working on the Parsa case, given what happened last time. She assures him she'll be fine. He starts complaining about the cold and she gets an idea and runs.

In the office, Tony waxes rhapsodic about bath beads he plans to use in his hot soak later. Gibbs interrupts with the body of the week: a man matching Parsa's bodyguard's description.

Ellie comes in, with her mind racing. She announces that Parsa is in Pakistan. His parents, innocent civilians,

were killed in an airstrike in Pakistan and the 10 year anniversary is in 48 hours.

Later, Vance joins them to hear Ellie explain that every year Parsa disappears the first week in February to mourn.

There's no record of where his parents are buried, but Ellie thinks they're in the Swat district. A remnant of the document Bashir Malik tried to destroy mentioned Parsa being "out two sea," which translates to Bahrain, the name of a road that runs through the Swat district.

Vance is ready to call other agencies for their Parsa experts, but Ellie explains they'd all just refer him to her. She's been studying Parsa for six years – which is a shock to Gibbs.

In the morgue, Duckie defrosts the recovered body. He was shot in the neck, but Duckie can't say more until he's thawed.

McGee gets word that CIA just intercepted a call from Parsa to his sister, planning a meet. But Ellie thinks it seems odd because he's always kept his distance from her. She thinks it's misdirection.

Gibbs pulls Ellie aside to grill her about her connection to Parsa, but she would need clearance to tell him. She assures him it has nothing to do with the current situation. He tells Ellie he doesn't work with people he doesn't trust.

Later, McGee and Tony hide from Gibbs and Ellie's silent détente. When Gibbs finally sneaks up on them, Tony reports a Russian freighter leaving the area had a passenger helicoptered off.

Down in the lab, Duckie and Abby explain the body is not Parsa's bodyguard, he's a Port Authority officer named Alex Rio. He was in the bodyguard's clothes, which had a bullet hole in the leg, meaning the bodyguard was wounded before they switched. They think it was bad enough to prevent him from traveling.

Ellie finds record of a John Doe treated for a gunshot at a local hospital, but he took off.

Gibbs gets a call and leaves without saying a word, just a glare at Ellie.

Gibbs goes to meet with Jeremy Marlens, who says he's just trying to protect Ellie. He tells Gibbs that Ellie was assigned overseas when she first began and was the first to home in on Parsa as a threat, but she was eventually reassigned for her own good.

Marlens suggests that Gibbs "distance her from the Benham Parsa case. The deeper you let her get, the more harm you're doing."

Back in the office, they have a charge on Rio's stolen credit card for a ticket to Miami. Ellie wants to go to the airport to pick him up, but Gibbs tells her she's assigned to her desk.

Gibbs, Tony and McGee pick up Khalil Farooq, the bodyguard, at the airport.

Back in interrogation, Gibbs knows Farooq is Parsa's cousin. Farooq says he'd never turn on his family.

Ellie goes to Tony for help – in the men's room. "Gibbs doesn't expect that you'll tell him everything, but he needs to trust that you would," Tony says.

McGee joins them with a file on Operation Street sweep. Ellie takes it to Gibbs, saying it's the leverage they need with Farooq. She asks him to trust her gut.

Ellie joins Gibbs in interrogation, explaining that through a CIA program they have identified his three sons and believe they're with Parsa so a drone strike has been authorized. To save his sons, Farooq tells them where Parsa really is – in a compound right in the area where Ellie predicted he'd be, where his parents are buried.

Vance and Gibbs get a briefing on the planned assault on the compound by the SEALs, led by Lt. William Blake.

In the office, Tony can tell something is bothering McGee and tries to get him to talk. McGee wants to update Delilah on the Parsa hunt, but he doesn't want to get her hopes up. Tony uses a Rocky metaphor to assure him they'll catch Parsa.

When they can't find Ellie, Gibbs knows to look down in the morgue, where she's sitting alone. She blames herself for the havoc Parsa has wreaked.

She tells Gibbs that Parsa made contact with her a few years ago, taunting her with clues and gifts, to remind her that he was watching, too. She didn't tell the NSA, thinking he'd eventually slip up – but they found out. All the study of him humanized him for her and she started to see the man, not the monster.

Gibbs tells her they're the same and she should make her move then adhere to Rule 11: When the job is done, walk away.

Ellie joins the team watching the assault in MTAC with JSOC Vice Admiral Lloyd Manditsky. They watch as the SEALs breach the compound and shots are exchanged. There's a report of a SEAL down but the mission continues.

They watch as the team grabs Parsa. Sec-Nav's orders are to press Parsa for intel on his network.

Gibbs, McGee and Gibbs fly to the ship where the SEALs took Parsa. He was shot through the shoulder but is refusing treatment or pain meds.

Gibbs goes to talk to Parsa, who recognizes Gibbs. Parsa says he'll cooperate on one condition. He'd rather destroy what he has spent years building than let someone else run it. In exchange, he wants to talk to Ellie.

McGee video chats with Abby to try to decrypt Parsa's laptop.

On the ship, Parsa is excited to talk to Ellie. She gives him a candy bar – his favorite. He tells her his main base of operation is in Peshawar. He says he has six targets planned. They're interrupted by a guard telling them Tony is calling.

Ellie wants to talk to Parsa while Gibbs takes the call. Gibbs is reluctant, but she points out Parsa's cuffed and there's an armed guard. He relents.

Over video conference with Abby, Gibbs learns that half of Parsa's bankroll came from two government contracted US companies.

McGee shows Gibbs a file he just decrypted on Parsa's laptop: surveillance photos of Ellie. Gibbs races back to the brig, where Parsa is with Ellie.

As he's talking with Ellie, Parsa grows weak and falls out of his chair. The guard comes in to investigate and Ellie steps into the hall to shout for help. Parsa disarms the guard, knocks Ellie to the ground and shoots the other guard.

Gibbs arrives just in time to see Parsa seal himself in with Ellie.

Gibbs waits as they try to weld through the brig outer door, but it takes too long and he tells them to blow it if they need to.

Parsa tries to mess with her, asking about her husband Jake and saying he should be more aware of his surroundings.

Ellie realizes he's not taking her hostage, it's a suicide mission.

Gibbs conferences with Marlens back home and asks for the CIA tapes of Parsa talking with his sister – he plans to use his family against him.

Parsa asks Ellie how she knew he would become a terrorist. She says it was about not feeling alone, and causing pain to others so they would know how he felt.

Suddenly, Parsa hears the voice of his sister, pleading with him to come home to her.

Parsa aims at Ellie and is about to shoot when Gibbs busts through the door and kills him with two shots.

Back at the office, Tony and McGee leave for the night, telling Ellie good job. She writes a note to herself: "Rule 11." She walks out.

Back in the batting cages, Ellie is taking swings in the freezing cold. Gibbs tells her to trust her instincts and stop trying to guess what's coming.

Ellie tells Gibbs he's not the easiest person to read and it's really frustrating. He tells her she completed the task he gave her and it's the standard he'd hold her to as a probationary NCIS agent. "Before I officially start working for you and this becomes frowned upon..." Ellie hugs him. "Welcome aboard, Probie," Gibbs says.

Bulletproof

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Recurring Role: Margo Harshman (Delilah Fielding)
Guest Stars: Sarah Aldrich (Karen Upline), Adrian LaTourelle (Benson Honeycutt), Jarrod Bailey (Chris Valley), Ki Hong Lee (Chris Hoffman), Challen Cates (Fay Gussman), Shannon Cochran (Mallory Linn), Kurt Yaeger (Freddie Linn)
Production Code: 249
Summary: After uncovering faulty bulletproof vests in a truck filled with stolen U.S.M.C. merchandise, the NCIS team attempts to locate both the source and any vests that had been shipped to military personnel overseas.



Two best friends named Chris tag in an abandoned warehouse. One gets annoyed with the other and tosses his backpack, but the target sidesteps and it flies out a window to the ground below. There's a screech of tires. They look out and see a van crashed.

Ellie practices her hand-to-hand combat skills in a gym for her certification. McGee and Tony come to take her to the body of the week.

At the scene, they find guns and Marine cases. There's a mattress and latrine buckets inside, the driver lived in his van. There's blue paint splattered on the wind-

shield.

Tony finds the Chris's backpack with spray paint.

The Marine crates don't contain guns – they have armored vests, but they're missing their National Stock Numbers, meaning they never made it to the Marines.

In the lab, Abby tested the vests and found the ceramic plates in them shatter on impact and can be lethal.

Later, Tony gets off the phone with body armor manufacturers who are sending representatives.

McGee gets off the phone with Delilah, who wants to come by and thank them for the take-down of Benham Parsa, but she's struggling with adjusting to being seen in the wheelchair she's now in. "Just don't not avoid not making her feel self-conscious about it," Tony offers.

Gibbs arrives and calls for a rundown on the driver. They tracked down a Chris from his homework at the scene.

Tony talks to the Chrises. One of them wants to be arrested for scholarship purposes. "We're out of control teens, sir. We need the state to intervene," Chris says. Tony disappoints them by telling them they're not going to jail, but he offers to put them in a holding cell if they help ID the driver.

He was a big guy in a fairgrounds gunshow t-shirt that was too small.

Tony and Ellie head to the gun show. She's adjusting to always wearing her gun. She remembers the stress of the gun training exercise and Tony guesses that she shot the mother holding the baby. "I thought it was a gun wrapped in a towel, like in 'Godfather Part 2,'" she defends. She begs him not to tell McGee or Gibbs.

Fay Gussman, the gun show organizer finds them. She recognizes the picture of the van as belonging to someone who always tries to sell guns at her show without a permit. She leaves to find his name and address.

Tony and Ellie see a woman named Karen selling care packages to send to troops overseas, including non-standard issue armored vests. She assures them hers are military grade. Tony checks, the vest isn't from the batch they're following.

Fay brings the van driver's name and address. The team heads to his apartment and finds him shot dead on the floor.

With Duckie and Palmer on the scene, Ellie is very helpful to Tony to get him to keep her secret. Palmer is acting odd but finally shares that their birth mother signed the adoption papers.

In Abby's lab, she stares down Benson Honeycutt, a rep from a vest making company, Dearborn Dynamics Systems, trying to make him feel guilty. He assures her the faulty vests were set to be destroyed and never made it to the market or the military. Gibbs joins them and wants to know how they ended up with the vests. Benson doesn't have a good explanation.

Abby finds evidence of another complaint with their vests that resulted in sergeant named Fred Linn becoming paralyzed.

Gibbs and McGee go to the field where Linn said he'd meet them. They look up and see him floating down in a tandem parachute jump. Once he's on the ground and in his chair, he explains that he started a skydiving company. He's sanguine about becoming paralyzed, explaining that he was shot in the back four times in Kabul and doesn't blame his vest, even though it was a shard from the vest that hit his spine. When Gibbs asks, she says it was a gift from his mother but he's not going to ask where she got it.

McGee asks him how long it took him to get used to being paralyzed. Linn explains you don't, you just move on.

In the morgue, Palmer compares Linn's wounds to the ballistic dummy they used the faulty vest on and finds they're very similar. When Abby realizes she's chewing on a bubblegum cigar Palmer bought to celebrate the adoption her superstition kicks into high gear. Palmer knocks on a tongue depressor to reverse it.

In the office, Mallory Linn, Fred's mom, arrives angry. She's alarmed to learn she sent her son faulty body armor and demands answers. She doesn't even remember sending it. She brought a dozen moms with her, all of whom sent body armor to their children.

Delilah calls McGee – she's in the office. McGee arrives to find Delilah and Tony naming all the disabled movie characters they can think of (Professor X, the old lady from 'Titanic'). McGee is appalled until Delilah says she started it. When the whole team is there, she thanks them for taking out the evil coward bastard Parsa. "You know, that was actually the name on the death certificate," Tony says.

Ellie announces a break in the case. She found that Mallory wrote a check to Karen with Home in Your Hands foundation – the care package from the gun show – which is why Mallory doesn't remember sending the vest. Three of the other waiting mothers did as well. They're going to have to coordinate with the other branches of the military. Gibbs suggests Delilah go up to MTAC to smooth things out since she's with the Department of Defense.

In the elevator up, Delilah and McGee do an awkward dance with her chair, with McGee not knowing how or where to stand.

Tony and Ellie stake out the charity woman Karen. They watch as a pick-up pulls up next to her and the driver hands something over then pulls away. Tony and Ellie stop the cars.

Back in interrogation, they reveal that the bag Karen picked up were just tampons. She says the man is a dad who was sending his daughter her favorite brand; Karen was on her way to the post office.

Gibbs shows her a photo of the shattered armor and they accuse her of selling faulty armor. She says she had no idea they were faulty. She admits she bought them from the dead van driver. She didn't ask questions because it saved money so she could send more.

They want all her records.

In MTAC, McGee and Delilah update Gibbs. A bulletin has been sent to all the services about the faulty vests but there's a recon unit outside of communication range and two of the members received the vests.

In the office, McGee finds that Dearborn made money recycling their defective vests when it should have cost a lot. Benson Honeycutt signed the forms.

In interrogation, Honeycutt insists there's nothing wrong with good business. When Gibbs comes in doing his Gibbs bluster, Honeycutt explains the recycling company was going to use the ceramic for other things which is why they made money. He says if the recycling company isn't destroying the vests it isn't his problem. McGee comes in with phone records showing multiple calls between Fay and Benson – she owns the recycling plant. Benson confesses that Fay called him to say she wanted to tie up loose ends, but he didn't know that meant murder.

He insists he didn't know the vests wouldn't be destroyed. Gibbs tells him to call Fay and set up a meeting.

Fay waits outside the fairgrounds but when NCIS races up, she runs into her mobile home. Moments later, she opens fire on them with a semi-automatic weapon. They return fire and Ellie is hit.

After a few more rounds, Fay opens the trailer door. She's wearing one of the faulty vests, and is hit. She's dead. Ellie has bruised ribs, but is OK.

Back at the office, McGee asks permission to drive Delilah home. He asks Gibbs if he could make a stop and Gibbs tells him to take the time he needs.

McGee takes Delilah to Linn's landing site. McGee checks his watch then see Linn come floating down from the sky and land on the landing pad next to his wheelchair. He thought Delilah might want to talk to Linn since they're going through some of the same things.

She thanks him, but suggests as long as they're there, they should try sky diving, too.

Dressed to Kill

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Recurring Role: Robert Wagner (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.)
Guest Stars: Bess Armstrong (U.S. Senator Denise O'Hara), Hugo Armstrong (NCIS Special Agent Eugene Coyle), John Livingston (Will Pritchard), Aja Evans (Taylor), Desiree Hall (Jennifer Morrison), Everette Wallin (Navy Commander Lionel Saxon), Suzanne Quast (Liz Allen), Anthony Palermo (Nicholas Bodeen)
Production Code: 250
Summary: When DiNozzo confronts a man impersonating a Navy officer, guns are drawn and the perpetrator is left dead. The subsequent investigation uncovers that the only eyewitness is DiNozzo's father, who is in town to disclose a secret to his son.



Tony meets his dad, Anthony Dinozzo Sr., outside the Adams House hotel. His dad arrived in town last night but only called Tony this morning. He has great news.

As they're standing outside the hotel, a man in a Navy commander uniform bumps into Tony. Tony recognizes his rank and asks to talk to him, but the man makes excuses and keeps going. Then he runs. Tony follows him down an alley, but the man draws a gun on him. Tony draws his and tells him to take it easy, but Mr. Dinozzo runs up.

When the man aims at his dad, Tony fires, killing him.

Later on the scene, Duckie finds nothing on the man but a key. Tony tells Gibbs the man's uniform stripes were Lt. Cmdr. but his visor was full Cmdr.

Tony says he didn't look the part, his shoes were scuffed. McGee can't find the man's prints in any military database.

Gibbs notices Tony's dad talking to local police and has Ellie corral him as the only witness.

NCIS Special Agent Eugene Coyle is heading up the Inspector General's investigation into Tony and the shooting.

Later, in the conference room, Coyle asks Tony Sr. who drew first. Tony Sr. says they both had their guns when he got there. Coyle asks him to repeat who was aiming at whom.

The hotel surveillance was hacked and not recording during the time the bogus Commander was there.

Next, Coyle comes for Tony. His dad is annoyed he can't leave town. Ellie offers to give Tony Sr. a ride back to the hotel.

Abby arrives, excited to announce the dead guy's identity. He's Nick Bodeen, a famous private investigator to the stars.

Tony says he drew his gun because Coyne drew on him. Coyne says Tony's own father isn't sure it happened that way. Tony explains that his dad's memory isn't what it used to be.

In the office, Ellie and McGee make apologies to their significant others for not being available on a Sunday.

Victim rundown time: Bodeen was a Metro cop, then became an investigator for lobbyists and lawyers. He was arrested for wire tapping, but got off, but the arrest ruined his business.

When Tony comes back, they hide the information on the case from him.

Down in the morgue, Duckie reports Bodeen has gunshot residue on his hand and his gun is missing a bullet.

Tony is annoyed he can't track down his father. The Adams House says he was never staying there.

Gibbs sends McGee and Ellie to find evidence of a gunshot at the Adams. They start by searching the rooms the maids haven't cleaned. Standing in the hallway they see Tony's father escorting a very pregnant woman into one of the rooms.

McGee advises Ellie not to tell Tony.

In the office, Tony plays Solitaire, appropriately, alone. Palmer brings up the autopsy report. When McGee's phone rings, Palmer answers. He reports to Tony that the search warrant for Nick Bodeen's office and residence came through. Which is how Tony learns who he shot.

McGee and Ellie check another room and immediately know they're in the right place. There's a pillow with a gunshot through it and, more importantly, a dead man in a chair.

With everyone else on the scene, Duckie puts the time of death between 9:30 and 10, which fits because Tony shot Bodeen at 9:50 a.m. The victim's wallet says Michael Elliot, but he checked in under an alias.

Back at NCIS, for the second victim rundown. Elliot worked for Senator Denise O'Hara and was single

Coyle drops in on Abby in her lab and gets her fierce Mama Bear routine over investigating Tony. She tells Coyne that the bullet in Elliot matched Coyne's gun. But Coyne points out Tony didn't know that when he shot him.

McGee goes to Bodeen's office and is surprised to find Tony already there. They find an extremely sophisticated computer system in the closet, including one strong enough to hack the hotel's security.

At NCIS, Ellie lets Gibbs now that Colonel Lionel Saxon is waiting to talk with him about Michael Elliot. Saxon didn't know Elliot, but Elliot called his office Friday saying he wanted to talk. Saxon helped prepare a report on the strategic military value of several military ports in Asia for Elliot's boss, the senator. Saxon went to meet him at the Adams Sunday but got there after the shooting. He asks about the other shooting and Bodeen. "You think he was impersonating me?"

McGee and Tony have no luck cracking a giant safe in Bodeen's office. There's a knock on the door and Tony steps out to deal with Liz Allen, posing as Bodeen. She thinks her husband is having an affair. Tony leaves when his dad calls, asking him to meet in the hotel bar.

At the senator's office, Gibbs and Ellie find the senator's receptionist, Jennifer Morrison, crying over Michael Elliot.

The senator says her chief of staff Will Pritchard mostly dealt with Elliot. She knows the name Bodeen but doesn't think Elliot would have anything to do with him. The senator asks Jennifer to help NCIS.

Tony meets with his dad, worried about him. His dad tries to evade but Tony forces his "great news" out of him. "I found my soul mate, I'm getting married," Tony Sr. says.

In the office, Ellie goes over files in her customary research position: the floor.

She finds that O'Hara's office was working on a budget bill that would close several military bases in Asia, which could be why Elliot wanted to talk to Saxon about the same bases.

Tony returns and tells McGee and Ellie his dad is getting married. Ellie does a terrible job being surprised and Tony pumps her for information. She tells him the woman she saw was "very beautiful, very young, and very pregnant."

In her lab, Abby works on cracking Bodeen's safe. She finds a .357 Magnum, a burn phone and nearly \$50,000 from the bank of Macao.

Back in the office, Gibbs sends Ellie to the State Department to see if Bodeen has been to Macao. Tony blurts out that Bodeen has, then he has to scramble to cover.

He says Coyne told him Bodeen was the victim and that McGee has photos from Bodeen's office on the big screen and he saw a photo from Macao. McGee pulls it up. The photo is signed by Calvin Ling.

Later that night, Tony Sr. stops by Gibbs' basement, hoping he'll talk to Tony. Gibbs mentions the much younger pregnant fiancée and Tony Sr. explains that's his fiancée's daughter, Taylor.

The next morning at the office, McGee says he can tie Bodeen to Senator O'Hara. The burn phone made 17 calls to O'Hara's cell.

Calvin Ling has controlling interest in a casino in Macao, but he also own a company that sells fuel and supplies to the military at several Asian ports. Ling would lose a fortune if Senator O'Hara's committee eliminates the ports.

McGee wonders if O'Hara took a bribe and Elliot found out about it but was killed before he could tell.

Down in Abby's lab, she has found Bodeen was tapping people all over Washington, including Michael Elliot. He has the conversation of Elliot calling Saxon and asking to meet, and Saxon saying Elliot can recognize him by his Navy commander's uniform.

Ellie has found that the Navy ports owned by Ling were moved up the rankings for the bill O'Hara is presenting this morning.

Agent Coyne arrives and announces Tony has been cleared, but Gibbs still won't let him work the case. He tells him to go talk to his father.

At the Adams House, Tony Sr. tells his son he was hesitant to tell Tony who he's marrying because he's known her his whole life. It's Linda Turner, Tony's godmother and his late mother's best friend. Her husband died last year and Tony Sr. reached out to console her and they "rekindled their friendship." Tony asks point blank if his dad had affair with her while his mom was alive, but his dad say he didn't.

On the Hill, Gibbs intercepts Senator O'Hara on her way to the vote. He tells her Bodeen killed her staff member and they have evidence he called a cell phone registered to her office. O'Hara can't imagine who would have reason to be talking to Bodeen. McGee calls the number. Jennifer, the receptionist, rings.

She had access to all the senator's mail and easily could have changed Saxon's report. She asks for a lawyer. McGee learns Jennifer has \$25,000 from the bank of Macao in her apartment, and was dating Bodeen. She wasn't crying for her coworker that morning, she was crying for her boyfriend.

Gibbs checks in with Tony about his dad and points out that his father is seeking his blessing.

Back outside the Adam's House, Tony runs into his dad's fiancée's daughter, Taylor. She agrees their parents getting married is weird, but once she saw them together, she could see they were in love.

Tony tells his dad he's happy for him and his mom would approve. His father is relieved. Tony suggests his dad and Linda catch a later flight and they all go out for a family dinner.

Rock and a Hard Place

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Guest Stars: Keith Carradine (Manheim Gold), Joel Brooks (Ronnie Mustard), Hank Harris (Denny Johnson A.K.A. Nerdy Man), John Sloan (Luke Pischedda), David Shatraw (Bobby Quinn), Javi Mulero (Earl Grieve), Linc Hand (Navy Petty Officer First Class Damien Hunter), Sue Cremin (Vivian Sutton), Justin Alston (NCIS Special Agent Holgate)
Production Code: 251
Summary: After a bomb detonates in the dressing room at a military charity concert, the NCIS team must determine if the target was a washed-up '80s rocker or if the bomb was part of a larger scheme. Meanwhile, Jimmy prepares for fatherhood.



Marines get ready for a charity concert. Backstage, a janitor encourages a Marine named Hunter to try out one of the musician's electric guitars. Hunter strums it and the amplifier explodes, taking out both men.

At the office, Tony gets off the phone with his dad, who asks him to plan his wedding for him. Tony wants to hire a wedding planner, but McGee is full of information on wedding websites, including great resources for napkin folding. Gibbs interrupts with the body of the week: A dead sailor at the convention center.

On the scene, one victim is Earl Grieve, the auditorium janitor. The function was a concert for the Hero Comfort Foundation. Petty Officer Damian Hunter is the other victim, he was volunteering to help make sure families of Marines could attend. Vivian Sutton, the director of the local HCF office, comes by along with Luke Pischedda, the concert coordinator. They identify the source of the explosion: a warhead from a WWII torpedo.

Back at the office for case rundown, Abby says the explosive wasn't set to go off until after midnight, but was activated by the vibrations. The concert was Country Rock Back-up Bands and the room was going to be used as a dressing room for the acts, including Manheim Gold, who missed rehearsal.

Manheim Gold opened for all the big acts decades ago but threw a TV and his agent out a window into a pool.

Bishop and McGee drop by Gold's day job at a drycleaner. He's living upstairs, but they find it has been trashed.

Down in the morgue, Palmer practices diaper changes on a doll. Their birth mother was due yesterday. Gibbs drops by. Duckie says the blast killed the victims and they were in perfect health.

Gibbs gets called up to the conference room. Tony found Manheim Gold in the drunk tank. They show him photos of his trashed apartment. He clarifies it always looks like that. He had been sober 15 years, but the brakes were going out in his car and he crashed into a telephone pole, so he had a drink.

Gold's agent Bobby drops by and is jazzed to hear about the bombing because it's great publicity. It's being moved to Pax River Naval Base. But Gibb informs them someone is trying to kill Gold so he has to go into protective custody.

Tony and McGee take Gold by his apartment to get things for protective custody, but all he grabs is his guitar. Gold says someone saw his old video on the internet and wanted him for the concert. When they ask who might want him dead, Gold suggests any of his band mates, or ex-wives. The agent he threw out of the window, Ronnie Mustard, died in the 80s.

Then he mentions a man who keeps bringing in the same suit to be cleaned, even though it hasn't been worn.

Down in the garage, Ellie, Palmer and Duckie try to install a child's car seat, and the car seat is winning. McGee brought the suit for Abby to try to find DNA. She's been going over the bomb in the torpedo shell. She also found that someone sabotaged Manheim Gold's brakes. She suggests they might be able to trace the brake fluid from the scene of the accident back to where they were sabotaged.

Tony is going through all Manheim's old contacts and finds most of them are dead. McGee returns with news that all of the NCIS-approved hotel rooms are booked for a convention. Tony gets stuck with Manheim. Once they reach Tony's place, he gives Gold a list of rules of the house. Gold agrees to sign if Tony plays for him, but there's a knock at the door.

It's Bobby the agent, he got Manheim a gig tonight. Tony tries to explain that Manheim is in protective custody for a reason.

Tony accompanies Manheim to the bar for 80s night. But Manheim takes one look around the sad dive and wants to bail. Tony accuses him of cold feet. Manheim confesses he hasn't played in public in two or three decades.

Abby calls with news that she got a hit on the DNA on the suit. She texts Tony a picture of the man, who is sitting at the bar. He runs when he sees them looking. Tony tackles him. Manheim doesn't recognize him, but he says he's Manheim's son.

In interrogation, Gibbs shows Denny Johnson the crime scene photos. He found his mother's diary three weeks ago and learned Manheim was his father. Watching in interrogation, Tony tells Manheim DNA confirms it. Manheim goes to talk to him in the hall. Denny tells him he tracked him down through his agent, Ronnie Mustard.

Later, it turns out that Manheim helped Ronnie spread a rumor he was dead to avoid some tax issues, but then Manheim forgot it was just a rumor when he went to rehab. When he got out, everyone told him Ronnie was dead.

Palmer races through the office, having just gotten the call that the birth mother is in labor.

Tony gets a call from his building manager. Manheim is there with Agent Holgate. The manager says there is loud noise coming from his apartment. Tony gets home to find a rager going on in his place.

He orders everyone out. Tony chews out Agent Holgate.

Manheim says when his team started calling his old friends, they started calling him. Manheim says the party was for his son, to get to know him a little. Tony tells him he should just sit down and get to know him. They hear the sounds of Denny retching in the bathroom.

Denny mentions he's great at getting stains out, and Tony should see the first dressing room they had him in at the HCF concert.

McGee and Bishop go visit Ronnie Mustard, who runs as soon as he hears the name Manheim Gold.

Back in NCIS interrogation, McGee tells Mustard they've traced the brake fluid to him and two witnesses saw him there.

Mustard tells him Manheim was big in Equatorial Guinea and he kept all his royalties. He admits to the brakes, but says he knows nothing about a bomb.

Tony reports that Abby says the bomb was put in place a week ago and Manheim switched rooms two days ago, so he wasn't the target.

Abby calls with a partial print from the bomb: Luke Pischedda, the concert coordinator. They think he's planning an attack at the base.

Palmer comes back, shell shocked. The birth mother decided to keep the baby.

Ellie and Gibbs call Tony at the new concert site at Pax River Base. They don't want to stop the concert yet, but tell Tony to find Luke.

McGee finds that Pischedda used to be a private military contractor who helped transport \$2 billion in cash to Iraq. Hundreds of millions went missing. The money was stored at Pax River.

The team arrives and Gibbs tells Tony that the concert is a cover for a heist and they want everything to go as planned so Luke doesn't know they're on to him.

The band starts playing and Manheim is rooted in place with stage fright. Tony goes out on the audience to stall for him and Manheim finally comes out and sings.

Underneath the stage, Gibbs tries to figure out what's special about the venue. He hears something and kills the power. He and Bishop follow the sounds of jackhammers and catch Luke and his crew red-handed.

Back at NCIS, Abby tells Palmer that Luke hid the money there years ago and it got covered up by a concrete slab when Pax expanded. He spent years trying to figure out how to get at it and moving up the charity's ladder to be able to plan a concert and have it relocated there.

Gibbs drops by and finds Palmer unloading baby gifts. Palmer is crushed and ready to give up, but Gibbs assures him he has to fight to have a family.

Crescent City: Part I

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Guest Stars: Scott Bakula (NCIS Special Agent Dwayne Cassius Pride), Lucas Black (NCIS Special Agent Christopher Lasalle), Zoe McLellan (NCIS Special Agent Meredith "Merri" Brody), CCH Pounder (Jefferson Parish Coroner Doctor Loretta Wade), Joe Spano (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Paige Turco (Linda), Lou Mulford (Amy McLane), Vanessa Bell Calloway (Sally Hammond), D.C. Douglas (Tom Speakman), Andrew St. John (Navy Petty Officer Second Class Abraham Lycek), Kelsey Scott (FBI Senior Agent Lynette Doyle), Trav Lyons (Sheriff's Deputy Kyle Travers), Muse Watson (Mike Franks)
Production Code: 252
Summary: When the body of Congressman Dan McLane, a former NCIS agent, washes ashore in New Orleans, Gibbs reunites with his former colleague, NCIS Special Agent Dwayne Cassius Pride, in a joint case between the two field offices and the FBI. The teams must work together to determine if the murder was politically based or linked to McLane's most well-known case, the arrest of the Privileged Killer, a serial murderer who targeted military and public servants.



Special Agent Dwayne Cassius "King" Pride picks up an attractive age-appropriate woman (Paige Turco) in a bar. After noting the undeniable chemistry between them, he manages to convince Linda to bring him home with her. In the morning, it turns out it's because King is her husband – they've been married 23 years. But he's not living with her and she suggests he head home to his apartment. He almost has her convinced to spend the day together when he gets a call.

Pride rolls up on the crime scene in his cherry old car. NCIS Special Agent Christopher Lasalle, an Alabama boy, hasn't been to bed yet. The victim is a retired Navy reserve commander who was a guest on the USS Ulysses, he's retired NIS and a Congressman, Dan McClane. The FBI is coming. Pride thinks of the victim as family and says he has some catching up to do with Jethro Gibbs.

In the morning, McGee and Tony arrive to the parking lot to find Ellie up to her elbows in grease and calling parts of her engine thingamabobs and dohickeys. Gibbs arrives and takes a look, suggesting she connect a couple gizmos.

Gibbs is called up to Vance's office, where Pride is waiting for him. Pride wants to run the investigation alone, but Vance tells him the FBI will be assisting. Vance references "recent flaws" in Pride's technique, although Pride insists he only punched the XO once.

When King comes downstairs, Tony recognizes McClane as only of the Original Fed Five, along Mike Franks. King gets a call in MTAC.

LaSalle is calling, along with Jefferson Parish Coroner Doctor Loretta Wade. The Feds just took McClane's body. They think the FBI is hiding something.

LaSalle and McGee are checking private security cameras in the area where McClane was. They find footage of him at a hotel bar with a working girl King recognizes.

Down in New Orleans, LaSalle goes to talk to FBI Senior Agent Lynette Doyle, who took McClane's body. She won't let LaSalle work the case with her or even given him any information, saying it matters to Washington.

At Gibbs' house, FBI Agent Tobias Fornell joins Gibbs and Pride, an old friend, for dinner. He has located McClane's body and is having it sent to Washington. He agrees to work the case with them if they keep him in the loop. He mentions the New Orleans FBI is pulling a lot of old murder files.

Gibbs gets word that Sally Hammond, the working girl seen with McClane, was just picked up in Virginia.

In interrogation, she tells Pride and Gibbs that someone paid her \$3,000 to talk to McClane for a few minutes and then leave New Orleans for a week. She didn't know he was a congressman.

Pride points out she was set up to make it look like she was running.

Later, they recap. Gibbs wants to know who on Capitol Hill didn't want McClane re-elected. Pride gets word that LaSalle is checking out the Ulysses, which is still on lockdown.

Down in the morgue, Duckie has received congressman's body, but finds the body was messed with, likely by the FBI.

Pride goes to visit with Abby in the lab. She runs a simulation that proves McClane's body wasn't dumped at the marina, it was dumped at the wetlands up river.

LaSalle returns to the office to find NCIS Special Agent Meredith Brody there, recently transferred to their two man office from the Great Lakes Region. LaSalle recognizes her as the agent afloat when a terrorist attack hit a boat he knows. She doesn't want to talk about it.

Back in the office, Ellie has tied the files the FBI pulled to Victor Lorda, the man the Fed Five convicted as the "Privileged Killer." Pride and Gibbs were the probies on the case. Lorda always maintained his innocence and died in prison.

Tony reports from his DC contacts that McClane recently burned bridges trying to stop construction of a power plant. A lobbyist named Tom Speakman had it in for him. Speakman's nephew Andrew Lycek is stationed on the Ulysses and broke.

Gibbs and Pride track down Speakman and he's openly pleased McClane is dead. When Speakman says McClane deserved it, Pride throws him over the hood of a car. Gibbs enjoys the old school approach.

Back in interrogation, Speakman says he was in DC when McClane was killed.

Brody and LaSalle interview Lycek, who claims he was drunk when he was on leave. Finally, he confesses he was getting a tattoo with a hooker. He shows them his double rainbow.

Back at NCIS, Pride and Gibbs join Duckie who is videoconferencing with Loretta. The two stab wounds and throat slash mimic the Privilege Killer's MO. They think the FBI is trying to hide the fact there's a killer on the loose.

Down in NO, LaSalle explains to Brody how Pride got the name King: When Pride first opened up the New Orleans NCIS office he made a big drug bust and a local crew made him an honorary member and named him King. LaSalle was a sheriff's deputy and King saved his life after Katrina.

Brody says she came to town to start over.

Later at night, FBI Agent Doyle leaves a bar in the Quarter and gets into her car. Someone grabs her from behind and slits her throat.

Back in DC, Tobias relays the news to Vance, Gibbs, and Pride. She was killed the same as McClane. Vance sends Gibbs, Pride, and Bishop to New Orleans.

The New Orleans office is in the middle of the French Quarter in an unassuming brick warehouse. King comes in to find the office has been organized. Gibbs recognizes Brody, but says it's classified.

Brody has found a series of recent unsolved murders dating back to 2001 that all match the same MO. Ellie gets to work looking over the files.

Tony, McGee and Fornell meet Abby in the lab, where she's gone over the floor mats from Doyle's car.

Brody, Pride, and LaSalle check out the street where Doyle's car was parked. Brody is convinced someone must have seen something.

Pride takes Brody aside to ask if she's running from something, but they're interrupted by Gibbs. He heard from Abby. The floor mats had popcorn, junk food and pigeon crap.

LaSalle and Pride take them to the French Market. They get there and realize the killer led them there so he could scope them out. From above through a building window, an unseen person snaps photos of the group through a telephoto lens.

To be continued. . .

Crescent City: Part II

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Production Code: 253
Summary: Gibbs and Special Agent Pride chase leads in New Orleans after evidence points to a copycat of the infamous Privileged Killer. Meanwhile, Bishop sends DiNozzo a special souvenir from the Crescent City, as DiNozzo, McGee and the FBI continue to track political connections to the case from D.C.



Brody and Pride bond over a traditional New Orleans breakfast at Mother's. They get called to a crime scene, Brody is bummed to leave her grits. Jefferson Parish Coroner Doctor Loretta Wade gives Gibbs and Ellie Bishop a ride to the crime scene. She's from Santa Fe originally and settled into New Orleans in 1997. She goes on about loving the area and especially LSU football.

NCIS Special Agent Christopher Lasalle gets a cup of terrible coffee at an empty bar when a punk teenager comes in to rob the place. Lasalle coolly continues sipping his coffee as he tells the teen he's

a federal agent. When the teen taunts him, Lasalle easily disarms him. Brody and Pride join him on their way to the crime scene and Brody takes note that Lasalle is starting his morning in a bar. "This is New Orleans: It might be daylight, but the evening's still young," he says.

The body is dumped in a swamp. His ID says it's Henry Wainsgard, but he's been gnawed on by wildlife. He was killed two or three weeks ago, by the same throat slashing MO as the Privilege Killer.

There are tire treads nearby. Because Wainsgard doesn't fit the victim profile, Gibbs theorizes he was killed because he saw the killer.

Back in Washington, Tony opens a gift from Ellie from New Orleans. It's a Tony voodoo doll. He's creeped out and dumps it in the trash.

Down in the morgue, Vance, Duckie and Tobias Fornell examine boxes of letters. Vance had the prison warden where the Privilege Killer, Victor Lorta, was incarcerated send them Lorta's correspondence, which the warden kept after Lorta died.

Down in New Orleans, we learn that Lasalle makes landmarks out of Legos and donates them to the children's hospital. Brody gets another hang-up phone call, she assumes it's related to the business cards she left at Boyle's crime scene. The trio heads to follow them up.

Gibbs and Ellie pay a visit to Wendell Hobbs in the coroner's office. He's her assistant (Jimmy Palmer's counterpart) and plays jazz keyboards during their conversation. The DNA under the victim's fingernails was over 70 years old. Hobbs then shares that the killer was probably wearing a Navy jacket from a thrift store because he likes the way it makes him feel. Gibbs seems to be impressed by his insight.

Back in DC, they come upon a letter that's CC'd to Joseph Hanlon, who gives money to Congressman McClane.

Down in the Quarter, a streetwise young kid approaches Brody, Pride, and Lasalle and shakes them down for his memory of the night Boyle was murdered. He saw the killer in a white military jacket.

Tony and McGee visit Hanlon. The threatening letter CC'd to him came from Emile Titus. He offers up his company's security information on him.

Duckie goes over Lorta's correspondence. He wrote copies of every letter he sent and insisted in each one that he was innocent and that he was framed by Dan McClane.

Duckie wonders if maybe the murders today aren't being done by a copycat, but by the real Privileged Killer.

From MTAC, Vance and Fornell talk to Gibbs and Pride. Pride says there was a mountain of forensic evidence connecting Lorta to the murders and defends McClane fiercely. Pride and Gibbs were both probies on the case. Gibbs isn't so sure McClane didn't cross the line.

Pride storms out into the Quarter, angry at Gibbs for not sticking up for their former boss. Gibbs suggests they talk to another agent who was there at the time.

In DC, Tony has a crushing pinpoint headache and finds his voodoo doll on his desk with a needle in its head.

McGee gives Vance and Fornell a rundown on Emile Titus, an aerospace magnate whose father was an admiral. Titus followed the Privileged Killer case and wrote letters insisting Lorta was innocent. Once McClane became a congressman, Titus started making sizeable donations to his campaign. He's been lying low and now lives in a house in the Garden District in New Orleans.

Gibbs and Pride go visit their old pal and fellow agent Felix Betts. They break the news to him about McClane. Gibbs asks Betts if he ever heard of someone framing Lorta as the Privilege Killer. Betts isn't entirely there, and doesn't answer directly, but he doesn't deny it.

In the coroner's office, Hobbs reports – after turning down his blasting Blues – that the murder weapon was an antique steel blade. There was aviation jet fuel in the tire treads. They get a warrant to search Titus's house.

As they prep to execute the warrant, Pride pulls Brody aside. He got her confidential file – she saw the bomber aboard a ship but froze and he detonated the bomb before she could react. Pride assures her he only cares about how ready she is now.

Before they go, Pride busts out his "mistress" Charmaine, an old handgun.

Abby calls Gibbs about the jet fuel – the stuff in the tire treads is identical to what was on Agent Boyle's floormats. She thinks it means Titus is their guy.

Everyone storms Titus' house – but they find him dead in the study, wearing a white admiral's jacket with a bullet to his forehead.

After examining the body, Wade says the scene was staged. They think the real killer is playing with them – the killer wore Titus' jacket while killing Boyle to lead them to him.

In DC, Tony suggests McGee go update Hanlon, who could also be in danger.

Brody and Ellie find deposits in McClane's offshore accounts totaling \$750,000.

Pride is upset that his friend isn't the man he thought he was.

From MTAC, Tony tells them that McClane's mother was dying at the time and his daughter had been diagnosed with lymphoma when he took the money. He was ready to tell the truth with re-election coming up, and so the killer offered him. They look into McClane's campaign money, assuming it was hush money. Hanlon was McClane's biggest contributor, but he's been in DC the whole time. He has a son, Spencer, who runs everything now, including their factory in New Orleans. And he'd have access to a private jet.

Meanwhile, McGee finishes briefing Josef Hanlon on the case. Looking at family photos, McGee gets suspicious of Spencer and starts to draw his gun, but Hanlon knocks him out.

Hanlon has been paying off McClane to protect his son. Spencer wanted to be a Marine but was rejected.

Tony reaches Hanlon's house and finds McGee knocked out, but OK. Hanlon is dead in the bathroom after taking pills. He called his son to warn him.

In New Orleans, they close in on Spencer's house, but he's not there. He has framed newspaper clippings of his killings. Thinking Spencer is freaked out and on the run, they plan to case every military bar in the city.

Spencer picks up a Navy woman at a bar and gets her to leave with him when he sees Brody and Lasalle walk in.

Walking down the street, he chloroforms his victim and drags her into a cemetery.

Brody calls from the bar – the bartender saw Hanlon leave with the woman. When she mentions the cemetery is nearby, Ellie remembers marble dust in his apartment.

In the cemetery, Hanlon is about to kill his victim when Pride and Gibbs find him. Hanlon considers their commands to halt, but when it looks like he's going to go ahead with it, they shoot him.

The next day, back in the office, Brody starts to pack up. Pride tells her he asked the director to extend her assignment indefinitely. She's happy to stay, but requests her own Lego sculpture from Lasalle. He hands over a fleur de lis.

After lunch with Betts and Pride, Gibbs waits for Bishop to catch their plane back to DC. Brody and Lasalle pull up and take Pride to the next crime scene, with plans to stop for chicken on the way back.

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Guest Stars: Margo Harshman (Delilah Fielding), Clayton Snyder (Sampson), Donny Boaz (Navy Lieutenant Kit Jones), Erin Allin O (Heidi Partridge), Julia Cho (Ginger Uwanawich), Manoel Felciano (CIA Case Officer Jim Brisco), Michelle Anne Johnson (DOD Counterintelligence Supervisor Emma Fisher), Olesya Rulin (Kim Troutman), Richard Ruccolo (Ronald Troutman), Stephanie Nicole Lemelin (Melody Hanson), Tom Everett (CIA Head of Intelligence Kirkwood Zaysen)
Production Code: 254
Summary: McGee's girlfriend turns to NCIS for help when she finds new evidence in a controversial case that her bosses at the Department of Defense closed. Meanwhile, McGee talks to DiNozzo about whether he should ask Delilah to move in with him.



Back at the Department of Defense after being injured in a bombing, Delilah decrypts emails. She finds something and calls for her boss.

Two weeks ago a Naval Intelligence officer was killed in Budapest, but the case has gone cold. But Delilah found an email from a known alias telling the suspect to lie low at an address in DC. She's ready to alert everyone, but instead her boss deletes the email and tells her and her chatty coworker that they never saw the email.

At NCIS, McGee is ready to ask Delilah to move in with him. Tony is excited for

him. Tony gets a call from Delilah, but she tells him not to tell McGee she's calling.

She asks about the progress on the murder of Navy Lt. Kit Jones, hoping there's a classified investigation she couldn't dig up. But Tony says there's nothing.

Delilah takes it to Gibbs and McGee. Jones was trying to take down a website that sells everything from drugs to hitmen. Delilah is bothered that her boss is clearly under orders not to act on the case. Gibbs says they'll look into it.

McGee goes to the apartment posing as pest control. The building owner, Ronald Troutman, says the tenant paid with cash but has moved out and the whole place was cleaned and smells like bleach. The name he used is fake. Troutman is a fit man in his 40s but walking with a cane, he says he has surgery on a bum knee tomorrow.

In the apartment, Tony and McGee don't find any blood. McGee sent a photo of a partial print to Abby. The mystery renter is Lt. Kit Jones, who died in Budapest two weeks ago.

Back at NCIS, it's time for the victim rundown – in Vance's office this time. Jones was looking into the Phoenician Exchange, an offshoot of the Silk Road. His hotel room was destroyed and there was no body left but he made a call from the room seconds before the bomb went off.

Heidi Partridge, the site's former operator, is currently in prison. Vance wonders if Jones faked his death to take over the multi-million dollar role. But he left behind a fiancée, Melody Partridge.

Gibbs meets with her. They were supposed to get married last week. She was able to cancel almost everything for the wedding, but not the reception catering from Leo's restaurant. She asks Gibbs to take the leftovers off her hands.

She says Kit did everything 100% and loved his job. He called her every day he was gone, except the day before he died.

Tony and McGee go to Dandridge to talk to Heidi, who is awaiting trial and won't reveal anything. She used to be a kindergarten teacher. She says she was hired to keep a website functioning on a purely code level, that was it. When they ask if Jones could have taken over the site, she ends the interview saying it's violating her new deal – she struck it just before they arrived.

The prison log doesn't show any visitors. As they leave the prison, Tony checks in with Gibbs, but his phone cuts out. He has a full signal, so they look around for someone with a signal jammer and find a man in a car nearby. When they pull their guns on him, he says he's case officer Jim Brisco and they're interfering with a CIA operation.

Later, Brisco meets with Gibbs and Vance. Jones is alive and working for them. They staged the hotel explosion. Jones work overlapped with a CIA money laundering investigation into bitcoins. Gibbs wants to tell Melody, but Brisco says it would make her a target.

They had brought Melody back in, but Gibbs has to send her home. He apologizes on behalf of NCIS and the CIA, which he name drops to see if it means anything to her.

Gibbs wants a way into the site, so McGee turns to Delilah's informant and ex-boyfriend, Sampson. Tony and McGee stake out Sampson out. He's gigantic – he uses the PX website to buy and sell steroids.

Vance meets with CIA Head of Intelligence Kirkwood Zaysen, annoyed at being left out of the loop. Kirkwood essentially tells Vance to butt out.

Back in interrogation, Sampson is happy to help until he learns they wants his Phoenician login. He doesn't want to risk anything they do tracing back to him, but he shows concern for Delilah and finally agrees to help in exchange for coffee with her –as promised to him by Tony.

McGee checks in on Delilah, who called in sick to work and is camped out in Abby's lab. McGee doesn't understand why she's risking her job and she points out the case involving a bomb and a website with ties to terrorism both hit home for her.

She's scanning PX and has already found classified DOD security protocols – the kind of thing Jones would have access to. "He could be a double agent," Delilah says.

In the morgue, Abby ran the tissue Tony and McGee found in Jones' secret apartment and found signs of malnutrition and high doses of oxycodone. He's not a double agent – he's a prisoner.

In MTAC, Gibbs, Vance and Brisco talk with Kirkwood with the CIA. He's angry to be learning from NCIS that Jones is being held captive. Brisco was in contact with him, but only via email. Kirkwood turns things over to NCIS.

Delilah, McGee and Abby comb through the code Jones has sprinkled throughout the dark part of the website (more tech speak here), and find (tech jargon) breadcrumbs he left, leading them to an IP address in use at a nearby hospital. A quick check of patients and staff against their files pulls up Ronald Troutman, the landlord having knee surgery.

They don't want to bust him, because that could leave Jones in harm's way. They plan undercover instead to get the proof from his computer.

In the hospital, Troutman is recovering from his knee surgery and is knocked out. Jimmy and Duckie go in to get rid of his college age daughter, Kim. McGee runs in and takes apart Troutman's laptop to swap the hard drives.

Back at NCIS, Tony goes through Melody's phone records to make sure she's not keeping anything from them, or in danger.

Delilah comes by Tony's desk wanting advice. She's interested in a senior analyst position in Dubai. Tony is about to ask more, when they see that Melody just got six one-second phone calls from Leo's, the restaurant where Kit proposed and their reception was supposed to be held.

Down in Abby's lab, she finds absolutely nothing on Troutman's laptop, it's been cleaned. He knew they were coming – someone tipped him off.

Outside Leo's restaurant, Gibbs and Ellie run into Kit Jones. He pulls a gun on them, wary of any government agents. Tony easily sneaks up and disarms him. Kit explains the last federal agent who said he was going to help was Jim Brisco- and he was the one holding Kit prisoner.

Back in interrogation, Kit tells Tony he walked into Brisco's trap. There was never any undercover operation – it was Brisco's ruse to make him think he was taking down the world's biggest undercover drug market. He says Brisco tortured him for information to give to PX. He escaped the day before they found the apartment.

Brisco has gone missing. Gibbs wants to take a run at Troutman.

At the hospital, Gibbs pokes Troutman's operated on knee to get him to talk. Troutman is happy to cooperate, as soon as they tell him how to hand over his passwords and login. He asks if they need his AOL info. Gibbs notices Troutman has a flip phone like him – a fellow tech troglodyte. When Ellie mentions his laptop, he says he doesn't have one. When they point out the one in his room, he realizes it belongs to his daughter.

Meanwhile, Kim Troutman meets with Jim Brisco in a restaurant. They've never met before, but she gets him talking about tipping her off.

Then she leaves and checks in with Gibbs to make sure her plea deal is intact.

Jones sits down with Brisco to let him know the jig is up. Jones decks him for good measure.

McGee gives Kit a ride to meet Melody at the courthouse – she's wearing a veil and saved the top of their wedding cake.

In the car, McGee tells Delilah she should go for the Dubai job if she wants it – Tony told him about it. She will only do it if he's up for a long distance relationship. He gives her the keys to his apartment.

Alleged

Season 11
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Season Episode: 21

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Guest Stars: Adam Clark (Fred Johnson), Andrew Lukich (Navy Commander Louis Wexler), Anthony Tyler Quinn (Navy Commander Clarence Daniels), Burt Grinstead (Navy Lieutenant Junior Grade William Greco), Chastity Dotson (Former Navy Lieutenant Monica King), Justin Prentice (Navy Ensign Michael Fox), Kelli Williams (NCIS Special Agent Maureen Cabot), Liz Holtan (Navy Ensign Holly Farrell), Mike Foy (Eddie Patch), Miles Gaston Villanueva (Navy Lieutenant Junior Grade John Alexander), Scott Beehner (Milton), Titus Makin Jr. (Navy Ensign Thomas Burke), Joseph Whipp (Old Man)

Production Code: 255
Summary: After a Navy officer is found dead on a rural road, the NCIS team must ascertain if the murder was the result of a bar fight or because he knew too much about an attack on a fellow female officer. Meanwhile, DiNozzo and McGee start a juice cleanse to purge their bodies of impurities.



In the suburbs, a man texts and drives in Chesapeake when he hits something. There's a dead body in the street.

At NCIS, McGee and Tony are on day two of a cleanse diet. McGee is loving it and Tony is pretending to. Gibbs interrupts with the body of the week: a dead Navy officer. Ellie takes along her bacon and egg sandwich to finish in the car.

On site, the victim is Ensign Lester Tate and his body shows signs he was in a fight. The driver is beside himself, in a public service announcement to not text and drive.

Gibbs and McGee head to Tate's ship to speak with his commanding officer Louis Wexler. They learn Tate rented a house for a week of leave with his pal, ensign Thomas Burke.

At the apartment, Gibbs, McGee and Tony bust in when they hear a noise inside. Burke throws his hands up and proclaims he didn't do it.

Later, Burke tells the team he left Tate at a bar called the Silver Leaf around midnight when Tate started ordering shots. They ask him what he meant by "I didn't do it" and he plays dumb and asks for a lawyer.

At the bar, the bartender says he threw out Burke and some other guy after they started fighting about a girl.

Back in the morgue, Duckie says Tate died of having his head smashed against the pavement.

In the office, McGee goes over Tate's phone records and find multiple calls a few days at to NCIS's own Family and Sexual Violence unit.

Vance summons Gibbs to meet with Special Agent Maureen Cabot with the unit. Tate reported a rape on behalf of a friend who's now refusing to cooperate. She was drugged and unconscious during the attack and thinks she met her attacker in a bar.

Gibbs goes back to the ship to speak to Ensign Holly Farrell, who bristles when she sees Cabot with him.

Back at NCIS, Farrell repeats her denials that anything happened. Then she worries that her telling Tate what happened got him killed.

She tells them what happened. She went out with her fellow junior officers, including Burke and Tate, on a leave in Key West. On her second margarita she felt way drunker than she should have and returned to the ship, where she had her own quarters. The next morning she came to and felt beaten up. She tried to forget about it until Tate asked her what was wrong.

Abby interrupts and Gibbs asks her in the hall how long a roofie would stay in Farrell's system. Not long enough for them to test now. Farrell is upset he told Abby and again they try to convince her to let them investigate, but she refuses.

Back in the office, they've confirmed Burke was home like he said when Tate was killed.

Gibbs is summoned to meet with Vance and Cabot, who says they can't convince Farrell to let them investigate until she's ready.

Abby goes to the conference room to talk to Farrell. Farrell apologizes for not being more trusting. Abby tells her nothing makes her "sadder, or madder, or badder" than when she hears about assaults against women (she also apologizes for rhyming). Abby assures Farrell she can trust Gibbs and Cabot. Abby hugs her.

Farrell changes her mind and confesses that she went and had a rape kit taken in Key West after her attack. She agrees to cooperate.

Back at the bar, the bartender goes through photos of all the men from Farrell's ship but doesn't recognize anyone.

Bishop gets an order of chili cheese fries and Tony tries to contain himself. Then the bartender comes over and points out a man who just entered the bar. Tony and Bishop try to talk to him, but end up chasing him out the back door – where he runs headlong into a Dumpster and knocks himself out.

Back in interrogation, Ellie and Tony talk to Eddie Patch, who's an ex-con, which he says is why he ran. He says he was hitting on a woman at the bar and Tate interceded, so they fought. He came back last night looking to take him on again. They're convinced he's a lowlife, but not their guy.

Abby joins Gibbs and Vance with the preliminary results from Farrell's rape kit. There was no DNA but they found ketamine –a horse tranquilizer- in her system.

Gibbs, McGee and Cabot got to see Captain Daniels and Commander Wexler. Daniels agrees to help anyway he can. When McGee says they can't get a search warrant for his ship, Daniels orders Wexler to do an inspection and he invites McGee to tag along.

Cabot interviews the other junior officers who were out that night with Farrell. Burke says he didn't notice anything out of the ordinary and was upset to learn about her attack.

Junior Lt. William Greco has a selfie with all the guys back in their bunks at the end of the night. He has another of all of them in the bar.

The search turned up nothing useful.

Duckie comes up and tells Tony and Bishop that Tate had an epidural hematoma and could have walked a ways before he died.

Palmer joins them to report on the asphalt from Tate's wound, which had old burnt vegetable oil in it.

Back at the bar, Ellie and Tony talk to Fred the bartender, who says he threw Tate and the scumbag out the door in opposite directions. They walk Tate through it and conclude Fred accidentally threw Tate into the Dumpster. He's horrified to learn what he did, but they're convinced it was an accident.

Later, Gibbs and Cabot update Farrell, who is at least glad to learn Tate wasn't killed because of what she told him. McGee and Abby join them. McGee checked Navy personnel against ketamine use. Three years ago Lt. Monica King was examined by a civilian doctor for a separated shoulder and found to have ketamine in her system. She left the Navy two months later.

They didn't find anyone who was stationed both places.

Later, Vance, Cabot, and Gibbs talk to Monica King in MTAC from Atlanta, Georgia. She can't believe they want to hear about it now. She describes going to the Officer's club with fellow officers and getting woozy on her second drink. She only remembers flashes of the attack, but didn't know who it was. She told her XO and he asked what he was supposed to do without a name.

Later, McGee looks up people stationed on both ships and comes up with the XO, Wexler.

In MTAC, Wexler is combative and defiant.

Cabot lays out seven other attacks they discovered on women under his command. He says he doesn't recognize any of the women in the photos. "Because they're not unconscious?" Gibbs says. When Wexler charges him, Cabot lowers him with a stiff hand to the jugular. They arrest him.

The next morning, Ellie reports that Fred the bartender is only going to be charged with involuntary manslaughter.

Tony notices McGee swallowing and finds a pepperoni stick in his file. McGee admits he's been eating them the whole time. He offers one to Tony but he can't be bought for anything less than steak, creamed spinach and French fries. They all head out, McGee's treat.

Gibbs and Abby walk with Farrell in the park. She's having a hard time believing Wexler attacked her, but is looking forward to testifying at his court martial. She's heading to a memorial for Tate, even though she knows her ordeal will be a popular subject of discussion.

She hugs Abby and salutes Gibbs. Burke comes to pick her up and she greets him with a hug and a Gibbs head slap.

Shooter

Season 11

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Guest Stars: Blake Lindsley (Belinda Carter), Charlie Schlacter (Lorin Davis), Chloe Lanier (Emma Carter), Craig Parker (Army Jag Counsel Major Richard Huggins), David Matthey (Goliath), Dean Cameron (Building Owner), Jeff Branson (Navy Commander Chad Hendricks), Justin Chu Cary (Marine Staff Sergeant Martin 'Shooter' Roe), Matthew Arkin (Doctor Graham Novak), Walter Perez (Army First Lieutenant Michael Waters), John R. Colley (Christopher Ramos)
Production Code: 256
Summary: When a Marine photographer disappears prior to providing his testimony in an Army court-martial hearing, the NCIS team investigates both the murder he witnessed as well as his current piece on military veterans who are homeless in the D.C. area. Meanwhile, Abby tries to help a young homeless woman reconnect with her family.



A Marine photographer follows a joint Army-Marine task force in Afghanistan and snaps pictures as one of the soldiers appears to kill an unarmed civilian.

Back in DC months later, the picture was leaked by someone and led to the court martial of the man shooting in the picture, Army First Lieutenant Michael Waters. Marine Staff Sgt. Martin "Shooter" Roe took it. Roe is supposed to testify that it was a revenge killing, but no one has seen him in four days. Vance warns Gibbs to tread lightly with the Army.

Downstairs, McGee arrives late with stubble. He has an itch and a doctor told him not to shave for a week. Gibbs joins them with the news about Roe, along with Commander Chad Hendricks, from the public affairs office.

Roe is working on a piece on homeless military veterans in the DC area.

Gibbs sits down with Waters and Major Huggins, his JAG lawyer. Waters is angry and defiant, calling Roe a lying bastard. Waters accuses Gibbs of being "one dumb jarhead covering for another."

In Roe's apartment, Tony and Ellie look through his things, finding a threatening note. Ellie finds cooking tools for heroin.

Back in the office, they place the most recent photos from their GPS tags and find most were taken right near the Navy yard.

Down in the lab, Abby reports she found Roe's DNA on the needle. Hendricks doesn't believe it.

Tony, McGee and Ellie wander among homeless people on the street where Roe took his pictures. They head inside a building where another was taken and find a homeless encampment. They find Roe dead inside with a needle in his arm.

Later, on the scene, Duckie says Roe died four or five days ago. He was a new drug user without needle tracks.

Back in the office, Vance reports that with Roe dead, Waters court martial has been dismissed.

Vance and Gibbs join Abby and Duckie in the morgue. Roe died of an OD, but he was chloroformed before he was injected. He was murdered.

Back upstairs, they go over Roe's photos and find a man with a Navy tattoo. Abby recognizes the man as Blue, with his dog Dave. She sees them every morning on the way to work and brings Blue food for Dave. Abby hasn't seen him for a few days.

Tony and Ellie go back to canvas the homeless with photos of Roe and Blue, but no one will talk to them. Tony suggests they go undercover, but everyone knows their faces. Tony has another idea of someone who's been looking scruffy.

Waters' lawyer Huggins visits Vance to object to him speaking to Gibbs again. Huggins insists Waters is a hero with a purple heart who was in that village to flush out a sniper who killed one of his unit the day before. Vance insists Huggins bring him in.

Down in the lab, Abby gets a hit on the facial recognition of Blue, a vet named Everett.

Christopher from tech services finishes prepping McGee to go undercover as a homeless person, complete with cat urine spray.

Back in the office, Ellie wonders if Waters could have slipped off base to kill Roe only two miles away.

McGee wanders through the homeless encampment, not having found anyone who's seen Blue. Tony taunts him via earpiece from inside the warm car. McGee is ready to give up when a man approaches him and tells him a "nosy photographer" took Blue to get help, but the rumor is that Blue died.

The next day in the office, Ellie confirms with a hospital that Blue died of a heart attack one day before Roe.

Abby comes in and takes news of Blue's passing hard and worries about the dog.

At a free clinic, Gibbs and Ellie talk to the clinic director Lorin Davis, who tells them about Roe bringing Blue in having chest pains.

Out on the streets, Abby finds Dave the dog with a young homeless woman. She defiantly explains Blue asked her to watch the dog and Abby breaks the news to her about his death. Abby tries to talk to the woman, but she runs off.

Duckie comes by Gibbs' house at night. Gibbs asks him to get Blue's body and perform an autopsy.

In the lab, Abby has pulled the homeless girl's prints off something she touched and found she's a runaway from Nebraska named Emma Carter. She's been missing six years and the FBI and her parents are looking for her.

In the morgue, Duckie reports to Vance and Gibbs that Blue did die of a heart attack, but both of his kidneys were stolen. They would have had to be harvested quickly after he died.

The doctor who signed Blue's death certificate is Dr. Graham Novak, who has a prominent practice in Reston but volunteers at the clinic.

Back out on the streets, Abby finds Dave and Emma. She plays Emma a video from her mother, apologizing for any mistakes they made and begging her to come home. Abby gives Emma a prepaid phone card, but Emma says she has nothing to say to them.

Gibbs and Tony talk to Dr. Novak in interrogation. He admits he stole Blue's kidney and says he only meant to do it once, after a homeless man died and he gave his kidney to his mentor, who was dying. He says he was blackmailed into doing it again by Lorin Davis, the clinic director. He insists he was just trying to get organs to people who needed them.

Roe came in to pay his respects to Blue's body and noticed he was still on a ventilator. Lorin said he'd deal with Roe.

The team goes to the clinic and arrests Lorin.

Back at the homeless encampment, Emma finds Abby and asks her to watch Dave. Her parents bought her a bus ticket to Nebraska. She explains she was on the streets so long she

started to believe she got what she deserved for running away. But Abby insists she's better than that, which is what Emma's mom said, too.

Late at night in NCIS, Gibbs and Vance look at Roe's pictures of homeless vets. Vance just heard the court martial of Waters is back on. And Duckie informs them that Blue and Roe are going to be buried in Arlington National Cemetery with full honors.

The Admiral's Daughter

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Guest Stars: Abhi Sinha (Khan), Daniel Hugh Kelly (Admiral Kendall), Maite Schwartz (French Inspector Isabelle Chablis), Margarita Kallas (Amanda's friend), Medalion Rahimi (Iranian terrorist), Meg Chambers Steedle (Amanda Kendall), Jonathan Roumie (Officer Gerard), Joseph Zinsman (Amir Askari), Senta Moses (Katherine Atwood)
Production Code: 257
Summary: DiNozzo is sent to Paris on a covert mission to bring home an admiral's daughter, but he turns to the NCIS team for help when he encounters a controversial crime scene.



In Marseille, France, a TV report announces that authorities are looking for an American in a murder – a picture of Tony DiNozzo flashes across the screen.

Meanwhile, in the back of a crepe food cart, Tony incapacitates someone while apologizing. He gets out and a young debutante asks him what to do next. He goes with "run."

36 hours earlier Tony is called in to see Vance, who introduces Admiral Kendall. He asks Tony to go run a seminar on internet security in Marseille – but really to get Kendall's daughter. His plane leaves in two hours.

Kendall explains his daughter used to be a good student but is now an international party girl. She was out partying with gun dealers and Iranian terrorists and her dad thinks she's in over her head. Vance makes it clear no one but Gibbs is supposed to know what he's really up to.

Downstairs, Tony sells his story to McGee. Duckie interrupts, addicted to a charades-like app. Gibbs announces the body of the week, in Norfolk. Duckie reminds Tony to not tip more than 6%.

In Marseille, Tony examines his check and calls McGee for help with the tip math. McGee's at a crime scene with a body stuck in a septic tank.

Tony arrives at Marseille NCIS and finds a crime scene with five dead bodies instead. He's just a few steps inside the door when French police come in and arrest him.

Back at NCIS, Abby is trying to work up the nerve to climb inside the septic tank. The body was weighted down by rocks.

The French police call Gibbs and another agent shows up and order Tony released from custody. Tony has a careful conversation with Gibbs about the situation and promises to call him later when he can talk.

The French inspector shows Tony a picture of the admiral's daughter leaving the scene and he says he doesn't know her. They ask to examine his gun to make sure it hasn't recently been fired.

Back at NCIS, Vance wants Tony to focus on finding the admiral's daughter.

At a nightclub, Tony shows Amanda's picture around and finds her at the bar doing shots. She's snotty and dismissive until Tony tells her everyone in the NCIS office is dead. She crawled out of the window to get away from the NCIS agents taking her to another hotel.

Tony is primarily concerned with getting her somewhere safe, but she is worried about meeting with a boy named Amir, the son of an Iranian politician.

She's explaining things outside, when the French inspector pulls up wanting to taking Amanda in for questioning. Tony isn't inclined to let Amanda go with her, but the inspector pulls Tony's gun and shoots her fellow officer. Tony ducks out with Amanda.

Back in the NCIS morgue, Abby has matched the septic tank body to Zach Martin. He was tortured.

Gibbs expects Tony home on the next flight.

Back in Marseille, Tony wants to call NCIS but Amanda worries the French are tracking them through Tony's phone. She crushes it with her shoe – and Tony notes he took the battery out hours go. Tony says they're going to rent a car and drive to the NCIS satellite office in Rota, Spain.

Tony goes to the crepe cart to order Amanda some food when the news report featuring him shows up on the TV. Tony incapacitates the employee and decides renting a car won't work.

Instead, Amanda calls a friend with a party RV. She asks about Amir and learns he's with a girl on the way to Switzerland. Tony still wants to call Gibbs, but thinks it's too risky. He spies the Symbolese app on someone's phone.

Ellie and McGee go Zach Martin's office, where his secretary admits she's never met him, he does all of his business by phone. He doesn't have any actual clients.

Back at NCIS, Abby saw Zach's Georgetown mug and ran past yearbooks against facial recognition. She found out Zach Martin was really Zacharia Hassan, and he went to school with the admiral's daughter Amanda Kendall.

In the office, they've realized Tony didn't make his return flight. They've seen the French reports. Gibbs suggests they work the case to help Tony.

Palmer comes up with news from his app. He has two images that he's sure are from Tony, indicating autopsy gremlin, his name for Palmer. Then bus and road – for Rota, Spain.

They send a message back.

Meanwhile, on the party bus, Tony gets the reply indicating agents will meet them at the border. He's about to read the second message when he smells smoke. They pull over for the fire and Tony drags Amanda away before the fire brigade arrive.

Back at NCIS, they got Tony's message about a dirty cop and are worried about an internal incident. Ellie and Tony tell Vance that Hassan had information on his laptop related to Amanda. He was a spy and had a message sent through a DOD server.

Vance and Gibbs meet with Kendall in interrogation –the encrypted message on Hassan's laptop was from Kendall's account. Hassan had classified intelligence documents.

Meanwhile in France, Tony and Amanda walk into a quiet restaurant. Amanda wants to go back to Marseille for her boyfriend, Amir. Tony leaves to go to the bathroom, then doubles back to intercept Amanda on her way out of the front door.

He dumps out her purse and finds a matchbook with missing matches. He knows she started the fire on the bus and wants to know why she's so desperate to get back to Marseille. Tony tells Amanda that Zacharia Hassan is dead.

He thinks the party girl routine is an act and she's a spy working for Amir and the Iranian government. She says he's half-right, Amir works for her and she's a member of the Defense Clandestine Service. Hassan was her handler. She says she turned Amir and he'd been giving her intel, including information recently on Iran's WMD program.

"It's 'Three Days of the Condor,' except I'm Faye Dunaway," Tony says.

Tony promises her he'll help her get Amir out of Marseille. Tony calls Gibbs from a payphone, asking him to get an NSA Alpha team to find Amir ASAP but he can't tell Gibbs why.

In the lab, Abby finds that Inspector Cheblis was listening in to Tony's call, as they expected. They sent Tony a message through Symbolese.

Amanda and Tony wait in a car, watching Cheblis. When she leaves, Amanda and Tony go inside an empty night club. They find Amir bloodied and battered with a woman named Lila. As they're taking him away, Cheblis returns and draws on Tony.

He asks who she's working for and Amanda's friend Lila turns on them. Lila grabs Amanda hostage.

Tony tells Lila that snipers have her in their sights. She thinks she's bluffing, but a tactical team comes in and approaches her. When Lila goes to fire on Tony, he shoots her.

Tony is surprised to see the tactical team, but is sure Gibbs was behind it.

Back at NCIS, Amanda is reunited with her dad, who is surprised and proud to learn of her covert work.

Tony thanks Gibbs for sending in Interpol.

Palmer walks through with a message on Symbolese from his wife that he doesn't understand –it's a bun and an oven.

Honor Thy Father

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Season Episode: 24

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Guest Stars: Allel Aimiche (Fu 'Ad Hansur), Sean Patrick Murphy (Navy Captain Arnold Craig), Rob Norton (Young Jackson Gibbs), Micah Taylor Owens (Young Gibbs), Marco Sanchez (Alejandro Rivera), Stephen Taylor (Wayne 'the Snail' Levinson), Billy Dee Williams (Leroy Jethro Moore), Clare Carey (Ann Gibbs)
Production Code: 258
Summary: The NCIS team investigates whether a fire on a U.S. Navy ship that served as a secret detention site for indicted terrorists was accidental or an intentional diversion for an escape. Meanwhile, Gibbs travels to his childhood home following news of his father's passing.



Ellie and McGee stake out a bar, with Tony and Gibbs providing back-up in the truck. They're staking out a burglar named Wayne Levinson. They see him come in and Ellie and McGee catch him in the back room taking money from the safe. When Wayne runs out the back door, Gibbs intercepts him. The puddle on the street causes Gibbs to remember a glimpse of a scene from his childhood, with his father. He gets a chill.

Later, back in the office, a TV news report announces an accidental galley fire on the USS Niagara. The team engages in empty banter until Vance interrupts,

summoning Gibbs to his office.

An employee at Gibbs' father's store called – Gibbs' dad had a stroke, he died. (This episode pays tribute to actor Ralph Waite, who portrayed Gibbs' father for the past six seasons and who died in February.)

Later, in the office, Abby stresses about getting the right flowers for Gibbs' father. They tell Ellie what a sweet man Jackson was and how he was the only one who could do the Gibbs stare at Gibbs.

Vance interrupts, summoning Ellie, McGee and Tony to MTAC. Sandra Jenkins with the CIA and Captain Arnold Craig tell them a civilian contractor brought an incendiary device on board. He was killed after the explosion, but they reveal that the ship was carrying prisoners – indicted terrorists, most of whom were captured following Benham Parsa's arrest and were part of his Brotherhood of Doubt. Two escaped during the diversion.

Tony steps out to call Gibbs with the update, but Vance follows and tells Tony not to contact him, saying he needs time. Tony objects, but Vance orders him not to brief Gibbs.

Gibbs arrives at his father's store in Stillwater. He sees a rifle on the wall and remembers he was never allowed to touch it, and his dad noted how ironic it was Gibbs grew up to be a sniper.

Back in NCIS, it's perpetrator rundown time. The escapees made off in a RIB (rigid hull inflatable boat) while the sonar was out of whack from the explosion.

The escapees are: Edwin Smith, a Canadian cruise ship mechanic, and Lateef Mir, who assassinated a group of American journalists in Pakistan. Mir is known for being able to drastically alter his appearance.

Abby comes up with photo of a RIB on a nearby shoreline that she was able to track down.

Tony and Ellie head to the beach and find the abandoned boat, and the dead body of Edwin Smith in it.

Later, Duckie and Palmer are on the scene. Duckie announces Smith was strangled. Tony ignores a call from Gibbs. "It's like I can feel Gibbs looking at me through the phone," Tony says.

Back at his father's place, Gibbs goes through his garage. He remembers seeing his dad tell his mom to get a second opinion and her getting angry, then Gibbs asking his dad later why his mom was mad at him.

Gibbs' reverie is broken when Cal, Jackson's store employee, comes by. He tells Gibbs he was there when his dad died and wished there was something he could do. Gibbs' dad thought very highly of Cal. Cal tells Gibbs that his dad kept him from going down a bad path. Gibbs asks for his help getting the store ready to sell.

Back in MTAC, Tony, Ellie and McGee are briefed on Fouad Ansour, Parsa's second in command. He released a video claiming responsibility for the jail break from the boat, but they're sure the Brotherhood doesn't have the money to have pulled it off.

Down in the lab, Abby has head, beard and facial hair from Lateef found in the abandoned boat, proving he shaved and bleached his eyebrows. She has a new composite of him that looks totally different and an off-duty cop just saw him going into the backroom of a bar - the Green Star Bar & Grill, the same one where they caught Wayne Levinson last night.

Tony sits down with Wayne in interrogation, telling him he's a loose end. Wayne says the money he took from the safe was his payment for three untraceable Glocks that were supposed to be picked up today. He says the woman who dropped off the first half of the payment was a Hispanic woman in her 30s with a child.

He got the job through someone he met in prison named Alejandro Rivera - the leader of the Mexican drug cartel who tried to kill Gibbs a few years back. (Because Gibbs killed his father for murdering Gibbs' own wife and child.)

Tony finally calls Gibbs. "Is it bad?" Gibbs asks. "Worse," Tony says.

Later, Tony goes to visit Rivera in prison. Rivera says he hasn't had contact with Levinson since he got out of prison, but Tony doesn't believe him for a minute.

Back at NCIS, McGee says the owner of the Green Star is Rivera's second cousin.

Ellie reports that Leticia Gomez visited Rivera in prison and had a baby eight months ago.

Suddenly Gibbs storms in and up to Vance's office, saying he had a right to know what was going on. Vance reminds Gibbs of his own advice after his wife was killed, telling him to take time to recover. Gibbs tries to argue and Vance gently places him on administrative leave. As Gibbs leaves he tells Vance not to ever tell his team to hold out on him again.

Ellie and McGee meet with Leticia, who admits to delivering the money to Wayne for Alejandro. Alejandro saw news of NCIS capturing Parsa on TV. He used cartel money to fund the Brotherhood prison break because they had an enemy in common. Anyone who escaped was ordered to hunt down and kill Gibbs.

Meanwhile, Gibbs returns home and hears the sound of water flooding his basement. He gets to work fixing his spraying water heater, removing his gun in the process. But while he's under the tank, he sees a hacksaw and wires touching the water.

The lights go out.

A man comes from upstairs to inspect. Gibbs is no longer on the ground, he's clinging to the stairs and shoots the intruder several times in the chest. The intruder falls into the electrified water below.

Later, the team is on the scene. The attacker matches the new description of Lateef Mir, he burned off his fingertips with acid. He was carrying one of the Glocks.

Gibbs remembers his dad teaching him woodworking, saying it was something he could make right when other things can't be set right.

Duckie urges Gibbs to return to Stillwater, but he has a stop to make first.

Gibbs and McGee go see Rivera in prison. They show him Leticia's signed statement and show him video of an attack on Fouad Ansour's compound. The CIA followed Alejandro's funding trail there and they wiped out all remaining members of the Brotherhood.

Alejandro seethes at Gibbs, promising him he'll get him someday. Then Gibbs reveals the photo of Lateef Mir's dead body and the news that he was the only one to escape.

Back at the office, Abby comes upstairs in a tizzy with DNA results. The guy Gibbs shot was not Lateef Mir – he was a mercenary. Mir planted the hairs in the boat so they'd think he'd changed his appearance, then hired the mercenary to take on the look and go after Gibbs.

McGee tries to reach Gibbs, but he's working on a truck in his father's garage, listening to blue grass. He hears the garage door open and catches a glimpse of Mir in the truck's side mirror. Gibbs waits for him to come around the side of the truck and then whacks him with a tire iron. The gun goes under the truck the two men grapple for a moment. Then Mir dives under the jacked up truck to get the gun. He's lying under it and taking aim at Gibbs when Gibbs whacks the jack out from propping up the truck and the trucks falls, crushing Mir underneath.

Back at Jackson's store, Cal arrives to pick up Gibbs, quoting Jackson that if "you're not early, you're late."

Gibbs gives Cal the keys to the store and asks him to take it over, saying it's what his father would have wanted.

The whole team turns out for the funeral, along with Jackson's old friend LJ (Billy Dee Williams), and Jackson's old Navy buddies. A color guard presents Gibbs with the folded up flag and a bugler plays Taps.

Back in basement, Gibbs opens a box labeled "Chickadee." He remembers presenting the box to his mom as a young boy, with a small boat, named Chickadee, that his dad had helped him build. "Water never forgets – anyone with a boat named after them will live forever," his mom said.

Later, the family took the boat out to the water and Gibbs recalled the family time fondly.

Back home, Gibbs examines the small model Chickadee boat and unrolls a piece of paper. He starts sketching schematics for his next project.

Season Twelve

Twenty Klicks

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Guest Stars: Ethan Rains (Systems Administrator Kevin Hussein), Alex Veadov (International Mercenary Sergei Mishnev), Alison Haislip (Navy Lt. Commander Hannah Banks), Beau Wirick (Navy Lt. Joseph Hagen), Konstantin Lavysh (Yuri), Lev Gorn (Russian Counselor Anton Pavlenko), Regi Davis (Commander David Smith), Vaz Andreas (Dimitri), Michael Flores (Thug), Rudolf Martin (Ari Haswari), Alexei Petrov (Valet)
Production Code: 12001
Summary: Gibbs and McGee travel to Russia to safely escort home an NCIS computer engineer connected to classified intel, but their mission is compromised and they are forced to go off the grid while hunted by a Russian mercenary group. Meanwhile, the team in D.C. frantically uses every asset and inter-agency contact they have in an attempt to locate their missing team members.



Moscow, Russia — A Russian counsel Anton meets with an international mercenary named Sergei Mishnev, who has funded many terrorists over the years including Ziva David's late brother Ari Haswari, warning Sergei off going after NCIS. He knows there's an NCIS agent in town and Sergei's people have been following him. Sergei assures Anton he won't implicate Russia, his revenge is purely personal.

Back at NCIS, Director Vance mentions the new systems admin Kevin Hussein to Gibbs. Kevin went back to Russia last week to visit a sick uncle, who died

yesterday. Kevin has the feeling he's been followed. He's holed up at the US Embassy and needs an escort home, given his high security value.

McGee and Tony both try to get out of the job. Ellie is willing, but only a senior agent can go. McGee loses rock paper scissors and is off to Moscow.

At the US Embassy, Kevin is relieved to see friendly faces.

They fly him out on a Naval airplane, with permission from the Russians. It's piloted by Lt. Commander Banks and Lt. Hagan.

After they've been flying for awhile, the pilots notice they've been targeted by a surface-to-air missile. It hits the tail and they go into a tailspin. The pilots tell everyone to brace for impact.

Back in DC, Tony, Ellie and Vance listen to the radio transmission in MTAC. Twelve minutes after the crash and they haven't picked up a distress beacon.

Gibbs comes to by the wreckage to see a wolf growling at him. His gun was knocked away. He's scaring the animal off with a stick when McGee comes to his rescue firing.

They hear Banks moaning in the front seat. She has a fractured rib and likely punctured lung. The copilot and crewman are dead. Kevin stumbles out of the woods, apparently OK.

In MTAC, Vance and Tony conference with Anton, who assures them Russia had nothing to do with it. He offers to send search planes.

Out in the woods 12 miles (20 clicks) from Finland, they try to patch up Bank and fix the radio. Gibbs thinks Kevin knows something about who might have shot them down, but he pleads ignorance. They hear someone coming. Banks tries to tell Gibbs to leave her, but he'll consider no such thing.

Back at NCIS, Abby thinks she has an idea related to the missile. Vance asks Ducky to brief Kevin's family. They're not happy about having to let Russia take the lead on the search, for diplomatic reasons.

Sergei and his men surround the wreckage and find Banks, who tells them nothing. When they see blood on a tree branch nearby, they head off in that direction. Sergei leaves one man behind, but tells him to let Banks bleed to death.

Down in the lab, Abby replays the audio of the missile hitting the helicopter tail. She's in a high state of Abby agitation. Ellie tells Abby the statistics of surviving a helicopter crash are actually pretty good, near 2 out of 3.

Abby played the audio of the missile for her Marine anti-aircraft gunner friend in Kuwait. He identified it as a 9K 32 Strella 2 surface to air missile. A huge cache of Strella 2s were stolen from Libyans two years ago and the suspects were Russian mercenaries.

Back at the crash site, the mercenary is getting creepy on Banks and Gibbs comes out of the woods and kills him quietly. Gibbs goes back to Kevin, demanding to know what info he has.

Banks it looking worse by the minute.

At NCIS, Ducky comes from talking to Kevin's sister, who lives in Buffalo and knew nothing about her brother's trip to Russia or her uncle's passing. Ducky called the Embassy and changed the shipment of Kevin's uncle's body from a funeral home near Kevin's house to his own morgue. Palmer is on the way to the airport to pick it up.

At the crash site, Gibbs sits with Banks the tries to keep her talking, but she slips away. When Sergei radios his dead mercenary, Gibbs, McGee and Kevin start packing up to trek to Finland. McGee thinks he might be able to get a signal with the merc's sat phone if the reach higher ground.

Down in the morgue over Edgar Hussein's body, they are all surprised to find two bullet wounds in the body. The x-rays reveal a micro SD card in his chest.

Out in the woods, Gibbs withholds water from Kevin until he talks. He tells them about being approached by Sergei for help getting something that's "kind of a weapon." He agreed to help with his uncle's medical bills for cancer. But then he backed out of the deal and when he went to visit his uncle, he found him shot to death. Kevin explains the weapon is in his uncle - a computer virus that could de-activate defense systems. Worse, it's a prototype and he's the only one who can deactivate it. But he thinks there's no risk because he's the only one who can sign for his uncle's body.

McGee and Gibbs know better and expect Abby has it already.

She does. But she's plugging it into an isolate laptop inside a cage to protect its signal from the rest of their system. There are two folders, one with a shark and one with a kitten. She debates which to click, first building a virus scanner and firewall. Then she clicks on the kitty. The virus blows through her firewall and spreads through the lab.

McGee gets a signal on a hill and reaches Tony. They warn them not to plug in the disk, but it's too late. Gibbs tells them they're being pursued and McGee starts to give their coordinates when the mercenaries start firing. They hit the satellite phone and Kevin's leg.

With the coordinates, Vance OKs Tony heading out to find them. While McGee patches up Kevin, Gibbs takes sniper aim at an exposed mercenary. Gibbs hits him and they run.

Late at night, they stop to build a fire. Without warning him, McGee puts a stick in Kevin's mouth for him to bite down on and Gibbs heats a knife in the fire and then uses the broad side

of the blade to cauterize Kevin's wound. Then Gibbs puts branches on the fire to make smoke and attract the mercenaries.

Back in the NCIS lab, Abby does magic computer stuff to try to slow down the virus.

In the woods, Sergei and his men close in on the position of the fire. They open fire on the three blankets left as decoys.

Back at the road, Gibbs tosses a grenade under Sergei's SUV, exploding it. Gibbs, McGee and Kevin continue toward Finland on foot.

At NCIS, Ellie husband has hooked her up with the NSA satellite feed of Russia. She punches in the coordinates of the crash and as they pan west, they see the exploded SUV and three men pursuing three other men, one of whom is wounded.

In the woods, Gibbs tells McGee and Kevin to keep going while he stays back to slow the mercenaries. Duckie, Ellie and Vance see him split off on the satellite. In the dark, Gibbs easily picks off two mercenaries with his sniper rifle. Then when that is out, he switches to a handgun.

He finds Sergei on the road and is preparing to fire at him from a distance when a truck pulls up and Tony jumps out, telling him to get in. When Sergei raises his gun to fire, Gibbs fires first, hitting him. The truck drives off, leaving Sergei lying by the side of the road. McGee and Kevin are in it.

Back in Gibbs' basement, Vance drops by. It will take weeks for Abby to clean up the virus and Kevin is looking at serious jail time.

Vance tells Gibbs about Sergei's connection to Ari and his vendetta against NCIS. Worse, their intel indicates that Sergei survived. Vance expects he'll be coming for NCIS.

"Not if we find him first," Gibbs says.

Kill the Messenger

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Guest Stars: Tony Gonzalez (NCIS Special Agent Tony Francis), Linara Washington (Lara Morgan), Brian Ibsen (Bryce Tolson), Carole Weyers (Trish Wallace), Cory Blevins (Father), David Gautreaux (Richard Colford), Johann Urb (U.S. Park Police Sergeant Burt Moore), Kim Shaw (Former Navy Lieutenant Courtney Reed), Rob Gleeson (Nicholas Raymond Dunne), Stacie Greenwell (Hartford County Sheriff Marge Fields), Kiara Muhammad (Kayla Vance), Jessica Brown (Jen), Sanjay Chandani (Surgeon)
Production Code: 12002
Summary: A Navy lieutenant is murdered on his way to a private meeting with the President. The NCIS team try to determine if the death was part of a recent series of muggings in the area or if it was a targeted hit to keep intelligence secrets.



A dad and his pre-teen daughter take lots of pictures on their sightseeing tour of DC. When they pause near bushes in the ellipse near the White House, the daughter finds a Naval officer's hat. The dad peers into the bushes and sees the dead officer lying there.

Back at NCIS, Ellie and Tony take down the most wanted photo of Benham Parsa and put up Sergei Mishnev. McGee comes in exhausted from his 3 a.m. video chat with Delilah. Then Gibbs is in for the body of the week.

At the crime scene, a DC park police sergeant Burt Moore tell Gibbs there have

been five muggings in the area in the last week. The mugger carried a knife but was very polite. Sgt. Moore mentions a photo a tourist took that shows the back of the mugger's head and Gibbs asks him to send it to Abby.

The victim is Lt. Cmdr. Edward Wallace. His wallet and watch are missing. Duckie says Wallace was stabbed by a large knife two hours ago. The victim's phone rings from a secure number. The caller is the President.

Later back at the office, Gibbs comes from visiting the President with Vance. Wallace shadowed the president for four years as an aide. He played in a pick-up basketball game at the White house every week. Last night he called the president to ask for a minute of his time, but then didn't show for breakfast, the president called him.

Time for victim rundown. After leaving the White House, Wallace was assistant director of policy and plans for the Navy.

Ellie brings Sgt. Moore down to Abby's lab. He's mesmerized by her neck tattoo then shows her his own grim reaper ink – she recognizes the artist. Abby looks at the photo of the fleeing mugger and sees that he's reflected in the Vietnam War Memorial. She asks Moore for the digital file.

Wallace's widow, Trish, meets with Tony and McGee. She admits she hasn't seen Wallace in a few weeks because of a trial separation, but she says they were working things out. Ned was staying on his yacht. She says the watch he was wearing was priceless. His maternal grandmother was an heiress.

In the morgue, Duckie says the murder weapon was a tactical knife. The mugger was left handed and about the same height as the victim. As Gibbs is leaving, Vance comes down to ask Duckie about something on a disc.

McGee is shocked that Tony believes the widow. Ellie reports Wallace's phone records show calls from a woman named Courtney Reed, who works at a tech consulting company called Colford-Webb. It was founded by a former CIA officer named Richard Colford.

Down in the lab, Abby is on the phone with McGee so a very impressed Sgt. Moore tells Gibbs that Abby was able to get a name for the mugger from his sharpened reflection run through facial recognition. His name's Nicholas Dunne. Gibbs answers Moore before he can ask, telling him Abby is available.

Dunne reports that Dunne is a student at John Hamilton University. Gibbs and McGee go visit him during field hockey practice. Dunne is a Criminology major and doesn't want to go with them, until they mention the murder. He admits to the muggings but lets them search his backpack to prove he didn't kill anyone. The knife is a rubber training knife.

Later that night, Vance stops by Gibbs' basement. Vance says he's recently been in for tests but his doctor thinks it might be advanced stage lymphoma. He's having a CT scan tomorrow. Vance admits he's scared.

Duckie had to admit it didn't look good. Vance is worried about his kids.

At NCIS the next morning, Abby races up to escort Sgt. Moore to take a statement from Nicholas Dunne.

McGee reports the Wallaces had a prenuptial agreement, giving her a lot in the event of his death.

Gibbs wants more info on former Navy Lt. Courtney Reed, who went to school with Wallace. She's not at her apartment, called in sick to work and isn't answering her phone. They put a BOLO out on her.

Tony takes Ellie to search Wallace's yacht. Gibbs sends McGee to the Pentagon to talk to Wallace's CO.

On Wallace's boat, Tony finds pictures of Trish Wallace hidden in drawers. She has short hair, but Ellie found a hair band and shampoo for a blonde, like Courtney Reed.

At NCIS, McGee reports that Wallace's CO said he was well-liked and didn't have high clearance. McGee gets a call from Delilah but doesn't answer, which Gibbs finds odd.

Down in the lab, Abby reports finding a draft of divorce papers on Wallace's computer. She confirmed Reed's fingerprints were all over the boat.

They get called into MTAC where Marge Fields, the Harford County Sheriff, reports they found Reed's car crashed into a river. The window was smashed, so she got out, but they haven't found her.

Up in Vance's office, he tells Duckie that a thoracic surgeon reviewed his CT scan and said it looks like lymphoma. Vance is having surgery for a biopsy tomorrow. The surgeon asked Vance if he had his life in order. Vance says he doesn't – he hasn't redone his will or determined a caregiver for his children.

At Courtney's office, her boss Bryce Tolson speaks highly of her work with the government intelligence agencies they work for. Richard Colford, the CEO, joins them. He agrees to let NCIS look over Courtney's files as soon as they get proper clearance.

Vance remembers back to happier times with his whole family. Vance's nanny Lara comes by his office, at his request. He asks her to watch the kids while he's in the hospital for a few days. He's going to tell them tonight that he's been called away on business.

McGee escorts Trish Wallace to interrogation, where Tony shows her the draft of the divorce papers and asks about Courtney Reed. Trish knows her name as an old girlfriend of her husband. McGee mentions the prenup and asks Trish for her alibi. She asks for a lawyer and leaves.

In the office, Special Agent Tony Francis (Tony Gonzalez) stops to ask Ellie about working for Gibbs, the "hard ass." Naturally, he is busted by Gibbs standing right behind him. "Don't you have some place else to be, Francis?" Gibbs says. (Yes, on the CBS Sunday NFL pregame.)

Ellie tells Gibbs she found a credit card charge on Wallace's account for the night before he was killed, an Annapolis hotel room under the name Regina Lambert. Tony recognizes the name as Audrey Hepburn's character from "Charade." A woman using that name and fitting Courtney Reed's description checked into the hotel two nights ago.

Tony hears McGee's phone ringing with a video chat from Delilah. With McGee escorting Trish out of the building, Tony answers and gets an eyeful of naked Delilah.

Gibbs sends Tony and McGee to the hotel, where they see Courtney outside. She runs when she sees them but after a good amount of chasing, they catch her. She screams at anyone nearby to call the police.

She doesn't believe Tony and McGee are really with NCIS. She didn't know Wallace was dead.

Back at NCIS, Duckie shows her Wallace's body. She says she and Wallace were going to get married.

Up in the conference room, she tells the team that she discovered Colford-Webb's security had a flaw that any hacker could exploit, revealing government secrets. She told her boss, Bryce Tolson, who wanted to cover it up. So she told Colford, who assured her he'd fix it. The company would lose billions if it was exposed.

Tolson started excluding her from meetings and she thought she was being followed. Then she made her "tragic mistake" of calling Wallace from her work phone, which must have been bugged. She was on her way to her parents' cabin, at his suggestion, when a car ran her off the road.

She barely made it out and to the hotel room, where she called Ned and he told her he'd speak to the president.

At Colford-Webb, Gibbs confronts Bryce Tolson and notices he's left handed. He arrests him.

Back in the office, Tony apologizes profusely to Delilah.

When Abby wanders by, she's not sure why she hasn't gone out with the park ranger yet. She wonders why Duckie and Gibbs aren't around.

At the hospital, Lara brings Vance's daughter Kayla by. Duckie talks to Vance's surgeon then happily reports that Vance doesn't have cancer, but sarcoidosis, which mimics cancer on x-rays. He probably won't even need treatment.

Kayla goes in to see her dad. She overheard Lara on the phone with Duckie. Assures her dad she can handle it. Gibbs promises to look out for Vance at work.

So It Goes

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Guest Stars: Adam Campbell (Young Ducky), Adam Croasdell (Young Angus Clarke), Alastair Duncan (Peter Velo), Alice Krige (Maggie Clarke), Cleo Anthony (Navy Commander Zachary Bucket), Gareth Godfrey (Matt Burns), Glenn Taranto (Eddie Kowolski), Hannah Marshall (Young Maggie), Nicholas Massouh (Navy Chief Petty Officer Refet Ramadani), Peter Elbling (Gentleman/Samuel Colpepper), Simon James (Vendor), Dustin Quick (Young Woman)
Production Code: 12003
Summary: Ducky returns to London after a case reveals a connection to his estranged childhood best friend. Agent Bishop accompanies him on the trip, and they interview his friend's family and coworkers. Meanwhile, Ducky recalls the choices he made in the past and the impact they've had on his adult life.



In his car on the road, a British man talks to someone on the phone, assuring them he hasn't been followed. But off in the distance, a man in a ski mask sees the car approaching and takes aim with a bazooka. He blasts the Brit.

In the office, Ellie and Tony give Abby the complete rundown on her hot park ranger crush, Burton Moore. He's from Wisconsin, was in the Peace Corps and likes the hobbits. McGee busts them. They hid it from him because his overprotective big brother routine is getting old.

Gibbs joins them for the body of the week, the car blast in Virginia.

On the scene, NCIS was called because there was a box containing troop deployment orders. The car was rented by Angus Clark. Duckie realizes he knew him Angus was Duckie's best friend growing up.

Back at NCIS, Duckie waits outside the morgue. He hasn't seen Angus in ages, but has incredibly fond memories of playing tag with Angus. He's determined to do the autopsy. Palmer tries to loosen him up with a joke. (What happens when frogs park illegally? They get toad.)

Duckie looks at the x-rays and gets excited. His Angus had his two front teeth knocked out in a fight and had implants and the body on the slab has his original teeth. Duckie is sure he's the one who knocked them out.

Flash back to a very young Duckie in a train station, 30 days away from reporting to basic training for Royal Army Medical Corps. His pal Angus meets him, but Duckie is suspicious when he suggests a stop somewhere on the way to a drink, thinking Angus is planning a surprise party. Angus reveals he knew he couldn't get that past Duckie, so he whistles and all of Duckie's friends come out at the station.

Back at the lab, Abby tells Gibbs the bazooka was an AT4 Anti-tank weapon. She also found that NCIS was programmed into the car's GPS and he had dossiers on three naval officers all of whom are dead of natural causes or accidents. Abby gets a hit in the DNA database. He's Samuel Culpepper, who works for Angus. They were both in town recently but Angus went home three days ago, but he hasn't been heard from since.

Gibbs orders McGee to look into the three deaths. He sends Ellie to England, and then reminds Duckie he has all of his unused vacation time.

Duckie remembers the last time he saw Angus when he punched him in the mouth at his own going away party.

In London, they're met by Angus's personal assistant, Gareth Godfrey. He won't let them search Angus's office, per his boss's standing orders, but Angus's estranged wife Maggie Clarke (Alice Krige) intervenes. Duckie knows her.

At Duckie's going away party (where everyone knows him as Donnie), Maggie presents Duckie with his going away present: a bowtie. Duckie scoffs, asks if he looks like the type. Angus got him an engraved scalpel. Duckie doesn't expect to need it in obstetrics. He had wanted to be a heart surgeon, but he's had enough of cadavers.

Duckie clearly has the hots for Maggie.

Back in the present, Ellie and Duckie search Angus's private office. It has a bed and is clearly where he's been staying. Ellie finds a deleted email to Culpepper on Angus's computer, sent the day he was killed. It has the files of the dead sailors attached. They're interrupted by a half-naked woman running out of the bathroom.

Back in DC, Gibbs and Tony track down a businessman named Peter Velo, who's angering a business owner by trying to buy him out of bankruptcy for an equity stake. Velo met with Angus five days ago. They had past business and after Velo moved to the US two months ago he asked Angus to fly out and consider opening a hotel here.

After they tell him about Culpepper, he remembers Angus was really mad at him.

Down in the lab, Abby has found something fishy in each of the three deaths, showing they weren't accidents. Checking the forwarded email from Ellie, they find the other two dying under suspicious circumstances and that one is still alive.

Gibbs and McGee find Navy Commander Zachary Bucket out for a jog. He's skeptical that someone is out to kill him, but when he takes a swig of his water, he starts coughing uncontrollably.

In London, Duckie gets word that Bucket had an allergic reaction to something but is recovering in the hospital. Ellie talked to the half-naked woman, who says she's just an employee who was staying in the office and wasn't seeing Angus.

Maggie joins them to look at the photos of sailors. Sensing the chemistry and tension between Maggie and Duckie, Ellie makes an excuse to leave.

Duckie remembers the end of the night of his going away party. He invites her on his trip tomorrow, showing he has two tickets. She says she has something to tell her, but then he confesses he loves her. She asks why he didn't say something sooner. He kisses her and she lets him, until Angus walks in.

Maggie tells Duckie they were going to tell him. Angus is drunk and is insulted. He demands Maggie choose between them, but she runs off. When Angus realizes Duckie is in love with her, he says he doesn't care and Maggie is nothing but a cheap floozy.

That's when Duckie decks him. Angus tackles him through a table onto the floor.

Back in London, Maggie explains that she ended up with Angus when Duckie left and didn't come back.

Back in NCIS, Tony and McGee explain that in each case, after the sailor died an Albanian-American was assigned to take over their duties. The possibility of that happening by chance are less than 1 in 10,000.

Gibbs gets a call from Ellie police found Angus at the bottom of a river.

Duckie goes to break the news to Maggie and sees that Angus kept his going away present scalpel. Maggie says that, despite 45 years of marriage, they were only meant to be great friends. The last few years they barely spoke to each other. Maggie goes to break the news to Angus staff, but finds Gareth standing outside her door.

Tony talks to Navy Chief Petty Officer Refet Ramadani who is cocky and uncooperative, like the other five replacements.

McGee found that all the Albanians listed the same emergency contact, an Albanian assassin with ties to the Albanian mob. Interpol says hes now living in the UK as Gareth Godfrey.

Hes still free because no one lived to testify against him. He was sent to the UK to smuggle weapons, including the kind that blew up Culpepper. A large amount of them went missing from the Joint Munitions Command, where one of the Albanian replacements runs the department. Theyre operating a smuggling ring after Gareth took out all the sailors.

Gibbs calls Duckie after Palmer mentions that Gareth was Angus assistant. In a room with Gareth and Maggie, Duckie takes the call. When he hangs up, he tries to excuse himself, but Gareth pulls a knife.

Back at NCIS, Gibbs calls Ellie to tell her to get to Duckie ASAP. Tony calls whatever law enforcement he can over there.

Duckie grabs the scalpel but Gareth merely taunts him. When Gareth gets close enough, Duckie slices quickly inside Gareths upper arm. Gareth seems unaffected until he starts to get woozy. Duckie explains he nicks his brachial artery and Gareth will be dead in 90 seconds. As Gareth slumps into a chair, Duckie refuses to help until Gareth explains they were running a prostitution ring out of one of Gareths hotels by threatening to kill Maggie.

Angus had hoped to get word to NCIS, but they found out. Duckie lets Gareth continue to bleed until he reveals who was in charge of the ring.

Back in DC, Gibbs and Tony go to meet Peter Velo. After looking at the chemicals the crew smuggled off a Navy base, they think hes expanding into cooking meth.

Back in London, Duckie is ready to leave town without saying good-bye to Maggie again.

He remembers back to waiting for her at the train station the day after his party, wearing his bowtie. His heart leaps when he sees her arrive, but then crashes when he sees the look on her face. He leaves without talking to her.

Back in London, Maggie tells him she chose the wrong man. When she asks him why he never married, he tells her about Gibbs losing his soul mate and nearly wrecking his life marrying the wrong woman over and over. Duckie chose to skip that part. He reveals that he still has the train tickets from that day. They both enjoy finally being near each other.

Choke Hold

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Guest Stars: Leslie Hope (SecNav Sarah Porter), Lev Gorn (Russian Counselor Anton Pavlenko), Corey Mendell Parker (Metro Police Officer Bilik), Mette Holt (Renata Atal), Michael Ensign (Doctor Ishmael Havana), Stephanie Chaves-Jacobsen (FBI Agent Leia Pendergast), Tamara Belous (Sofia Glazman), Victoria Barabas (Nelly Benin), Zoran Korach (Metro Police Officer Verma)
Production Code: 12004
Summary: The NCIS team is assigned to a joint terrorism task force by the Secretary of the Navy after a Naval research scientist is murdered and the chief suspect is wanted by the Russian government. Gibbs and DiNozzo run interference with task force leader Leia Pendergast.



Two beat cops find a woman sitting on a park bench after dark. Upon closer inspection, they find she's been strangled by a wire. They also find she's still alive, but she warns them not to touch her. Her badge identifies her as Sofia Glazman, a laboratory researcher.

At the office, Tony and McGee read a sex tips article in a magazine. Ellie joins them and points out that as a married person she probably has more sex than the two of them combined. They're interrupted by Gibbs with the victim of the week – a Navy research scientist. She's still alive.

But at the scene, they learn that's not true. The beat cops explain the woman didn't want to be moved, but they couldn't get the wire off. The EMTs got her into the ambulance, but no one saw the device.

At the ambulance, Gibbs is surprised to see two body bags. Glanzman's head is laying on the floor of the ambulance, standard procedure requires a severed head go in its own bag. Tony finds a mechanized garrote (from the movie "The Counselor") which just keeps tightening until it lops the victim's head off. There's no timer or remote, it just got jammed, which is why she was begging not to be moved. The jostling into the ambulance started it again. They conclude the killer was sending a message.

Back at NCIS, Ellie and McGee talk to Sofia's boss, Doctor Ishmael Havana. He wants Sofia's notes back for a test they're running tomorrow morning. They're working on using lasers for data transfer.

Sofia grew up in Moscow and Dr. Havana recruited her to work for him. He identifies Dr. Nellie Benin, Sofia's college lab partner in Russia, from a photo. She works for the Russians and she and Sofia had a professional rivalry but were best friends.

Down in the lab, Abby tells Gibbs a thin chemical residue inside the garrote caused it to jam. It was pot smoke. Abby can match the stash if they find it.

Gibbs and Tony get called to the basement of the Pentagon to meet with the Secretary of the Navy Sarah Porter (Leslie Hope) – in the men's room. Tony is there to stand guard.

Inside, Porter tells the men that a foreign embassy says it has information on Glanzman's murder.

In the hallway, a beautiful woman comes out of the women's room and sees Tony standing there. She flirts with him, but they're interrupted by the arrival of Russian Counselor Anton Pavlenko. They take turns casually assigning blame for the downed copter rescue mission until Porter calls them into the men's room.

Gibbs takes exception to Pavlenko calling it an "accident." Pavlenko says he's there to ask for help. He tells them Nellie Benin is working for Sergei Mishnev. A colleague of Benin's was found dead by a mechanical garrote a few days ago.

Benin is in DC and Pavlenko wants NCIS to help find her, in cooperation with the FBI.

Out in the hallway, Tony asks for the woman's name and number. Porter comes out and introduces her as FBI Special Agent Leia Pendergast, their partner on the case.

At NCIS, Pendergast holds their secure briefing in MTAC. She mentions that she hates "Star Wars," because her first name is Leia. Tony is still intrigued.

All she knows is the date Benin entered the country. McGee and Ellie explain that Benin appears to have been a model Russian citizen, and not someone who would turn to terrorism and murder.

Down in the lab, Pendergast meets Abby, who grills her. She's also not impressed by Leia's rabbit's food. Abby shows Leia an email from a junk account to Sofia Glazman, which mentions a meeting at a bar on the other side of the park around the time of the murder. Abby got the email off Glazman's computer and traced the junk email back to Moscow.

Back in the office, Tony is dwelling on Leia, but Ellie tells him she's just flirting with him to get closer to the investigation.

They have surveillance from the airport when Benin arrived, after a delayed flight – at the same time Glazman was killed in the park.

They get an alert about a call to Glazman's phone, from the bar beside the park. Ellie shares a theory that maybe Benin is running and trying to defect. The airport surveillance shows the Russians gave them bad info, and if she didn't kill Glazman, she probably didn't kill the man back in Moscow. She and McGee suggest the Russian could be calling her a killer because they don't want her to turn over state secrets.

Gibbs, Ellie and McGee head to the bar. Gibbs tells Tony to keep it from Leia.

At the bar, they see Nellie at the bar. McGee feels her out and quickly confirms she wants to defect. She's happy to go with them, but says she needs to use the bathroom first.

A blonde woman watches them.

Back at NCIS, Tony leads Leia on a long pointless tour of the office. When he mentions their desks are in the Stephen J. Cannell annex, she recognizes the name of the creator of the A-Team and Rockford files and realizes he's been stalling.

Back at the bar, Ellie watches over Nellie in the bathroom. The blonde woman sits unseen in a bathroom stall with the mechanical garrote in her hand. She's about to make her move when Gibbs comes in. The woman ducks out past him. As she wafts past he smells weed. He follows her but she goes out the side door and uses the garrote to close it and he can't follow her.

Back in interrogation, Nellie says she doesn't know who the woman is, but says she was working for Sergei Mishnev. She says she had never heard of Mishnev until last week when he approached her in a Russian café and offered her a job, but wouldn't say more.

She identifies the other garrote victim as her coworker Mikael, who she says Sergei also approached. The day after she got a call saying she'd be next if she didn't work for Mishnev. She reached out to her friend Sofia Glazman, not realizing she was putting her in harm's way. Nellie insists she's not a killer and wants asylum.

In Vance's office, Pavlenko confronts Sec Nav Porter about NCIS having Nellie. Vance tells Pavlenko that Nellie isn't a killer. He doesn't disagree and says he's ready to take her home.

Porter won't confirm they have her, but Pavlenko leaves expecting their full cooperation.

After he's gone, Porter calls him an ass, but says he's right that they can't cause an incident by keeping Nellie. Vance is more concerned with finding out how Pavlenko knew they had Nellie.

Tony finds Leia and asks her if she told the Russians they had Benin, which she knows would be treason. She's been assigned to protect three Russian emissaries in the last three months and the Russian Embassy specifically requested her assignment to this case. They also have \$28,000 in her account from an offshore account. She's annoyed at being accused, but Tony says he believes she's not the leak but needs it explained. Leia says it's from her dad. He came into money after she turned 17 and now he sends her \$28,000 every year because of some sort of tax benefit. Tony recognizes her challenging relationship with her father.

Leia cuts things off to go get Nellie.

Vance and Gibbs escort her to Leia's car. Nellie protests that the Russians will kill her if they turn her over, but Vance says there's nothing they can do. He puts her in the car with Leia and they drive off.

Ellie comes down with an ID of the Russian hit woman, Renata Atal. She thinks that because they can identify the threat they can keep Nellie to protect her. Instead, Gibbs tells her to send the information to McGee and Tony.

On the road with Nellie, Leia tells her she understands her situation, but can't risk starting a war over her. Leia notices a black SUV closing in on them and pulls into a parking garage. She gets a call from Tony, who was following the SUV. He tells her to stay in the car.

Renata pulls up to Leia's car, but peels out when she sees Tony. She tries to drive off, but Tony and McGee stop her. They order her out of the car, telling her it's over. She says "I know," then grabs a garrote from the seat next to her, slips it around her neck and essentially cuts off her own head. Nellie has just one question: "How did this woman know I was being transferred?"

Back at the office, they still don't have enough evidence to connect Pavlenko – the only one outside the office who knew Nellie was being transferred – to the hit woman or Mishnev. Renata's SUV is in the garage and both parts of her are with Duckie.

Gibbs goes to the morgue with Leia, hoping for information on Renata's employer. Duckie doesn't have any. Abby joins them and reports the weed residue on the garrote matched the other two. She doesn't have anything from the car yet. Sec Nav Porter joins them and announces they're out of time, they have to turn over Benin.

Gibbs goes to the carport, where Pavlenko is waiting to take Nellie himself. Gibbs tells him to tell Sergei he said hi, then accuses him of continuing to lie.

When Leia brings Nellie down, Nellie gets anxious when she sees Pavlenko. She protests then suddenly she grabs Leia's gun from her holster and aims at Pavlenko. Gibbs and Tony draw, but Gibbs tells Tony to stand down. Tony doesn't understand, but listens.

Gibbs speaks to Benin in Russian telling her this isn't the answer. As he's trying to calm her down, Leia grabs her back-up weapon and shoots Leia twice in the chest. Gibbs checks on her. She's dead. Pavlenko is shaken and says it didn't have to end this way, but he'll tell Moscow that the Americans were a big help.

He gets in his car and leaves.

Later, McGee and Ellie photograph the crime scene. Nellie's body has been cleared. Sec Nav Porter comes down, furious about what happened. Gibbs remains calm. When McGee gets a call that Pavlenko is no longer in the Navy yard, Gibbs goes to the ambulance and shows a fully alive Benin inside.

"You said give the Russians what they wanted. We did," Gibbs says.

Tony talks to Leia, incredulous that she and Gibbs faked Benin's death without telling him. It was her one condition for going along with the plan. They flirt/argue over who's better at their job. He asks for her number again, but she points out he's the detective and can find it.

After she leaves, Ellie points out that Gibbs would never leave Tony out of the loop on something like this. He didn't.

"Then why fight with her?" Ellie asks.

"She fights back. I have a type," Tony says.

The San Dominick

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Guest Stars: Diane Neal (CGIS Special Agent Abigail Borin), Chris Marrs (First Mate James Meyer), Jim Beaver (Captain Tom O'Rourke), Lobo Sebastian (Renaldo Aranda/Engineer), Stephanie Charles (Coast Guard Petty Officer Patricia Felton), Erick Lopez (Jaime Ribeiro), Marcos Cruz (Young Hijacker), Pressly Coker (Navy Chief Petty Officer Leonard Jones)
Production Code: 12005
Summary: Gibbs spots a dead man in the water during a joint Coast Guard and NCIS training exercise at sea. The investigation reveals the man is a missing crew member from a ship 60 nautical miles away. Upon boarding the ship for questioning, Gibbs discovers the vessel has been commandeered by pirates.



Open with Ellie Bishop sneaking through a Navy ship cautiously with her gun drawn. She radios that she's tracked the final suspect to her location. When she goes in, she orders the suspect to put his hands up. He doesn't and she's jumped from behind. Then Gibbs removes his mask and announces Ellie is dead.

Later, Ellie is bummed she failed the training exercise. Coast guard agent Abigail Borin is aboard and asks Tony about Lead Pendergast, a friend of hers. He says it was a dalliance, but didn't work out.

Tony tells Ellie she did fine on the test, but needs to worry less about procedure

and more about her instincts next time.

Up on deck, Gibbs is staring out into the water when Borin joins him. They both yell "man overboard!"

Later, the victim is hauled on deck, already dead. He's a civilian named Joe Willis from the crew of the San Dominick. Gibbs asks Ellie what she can learn from the body. He hasn't been floating in the water long and she thinks the cut on his head was from a fight.

In the ship's command center, Borin reports that the San Dominick isn't answering its radio and is far off course. Gibbs orders Ellie back to NCIS while the ship goes after the San Dominick.

Back at NCIS, McGee has background on Joe Willis. He served 15 years in the Navy and is working as an armed guard on the cargo ship. Ellie is still beating herself up over the test so McGee tells her it's designed to be unpassable, like the Kobiyashi Maru from "Star Trek." Well, except Gibbs passed.

The Navy cruiser pulls over the San Dominick, where Gibbs and Borin are greeted by the affable First Mate James Meyer. He tells them the captain is busy. He says they went off course to avoid the bad weather and the radio is on the fritz. He doesn't know anything about Joe Willis being missing, so they show him a picture of Willis' body.

Below deck, Gibbs and Borin meet with the captain Tom O'Rourke, who doesn't want to lose time to help with their investigation. Then he collapses and Borin sees he's been stabbed.

In the morgue, Duckie confirms that Willis drowned, but not in the ocean. He also says the victim is not Joe Willis – the dead man had a medical condition that would have kept him out of the Navy and Joe served.

Back aboard the ship, Meyer shows Gibbs and another crewmember, who follows them closely, to the radio room. They find blood everywhere and a post-it with numbers on it. When Gibbs bends over to look at it, he takes note of the shifty crew members shoes. He also sees the radio has been sabotaged. Then he orders the man out of the room so he can talk to Meyer alone.

Alone with Meyer, Gibbs confronts Meyer about the fact that Ronaldo isn't wearing the proper steel-toed footwear and demands to know what's going on.

Back on the Navy ship, where Borin returned with the wounded captain, Abby calls and tells them the victim is actually a Venezuelan named Ernesto Alandro who is wanted in five countries for piracy. She emailed them a list of all his known associates. Borin recognizes Renaldo.

Tony radios the information to Gibbs, but before he can answer, Renaldo busts in holding a Navy petty officer hostage.

Tony and Borin conference with Ellie and McGee, who tell them Ernesto got aboard the San Dominick by impersonating Willis, who was last seen at a bar in Norfolk 10 days ago.

Ellie relays an Interpol report about Ernesto's last piracy two years ago – when he took captain Tom O'Rourke hostage for two weeks. Tony signs off by telling McGee he's in charge.

With Renaldo and two other armed men standing over them, Gibbs asks Meyer for information. There are 12 crew and six or seven pirates. The crew is being held in the mess deck. Gibbs tries to help Petty Officer Patricia Felton stop the bleeding from where Renaldo cracked her in the head and also keeps her calm. When Renaldo sees, he rips the handkerchief away. Gibbs ignores him and reapplies it, telling Renaldo he's in over his head and should answer the radio, get his money and get off the ship.

Renaldo radios Tony demanding \$10 million within an hour.

At Joe Willis' apartment, McGee and Ellie find it empty, trashed and stinky. They find boxes of ammo and fake ship IDs. They also find Joe Willis dead in the bath tub.

With O'Rourke strapped to a gurney aboard the Navy ship, Tony talks to him before the medivac helicopter takes him. He asks for his chewing tobacco, but Tony says it's in evidence. O'Rourke says he recognized Ernesto Alandro immediately and tried to stop him. After the crew was locked up in the mess, when O'Rourke was alone with him in the radio room, he attacked Alandro and threw his body overboard, hoping someone would find the body.

With the ransom hour up, Borin radios Renaldo and tries to stall him, but he sees through it. Renaldo hangs up and yanks Felton to her feet Meyer tries to stop him, then Gibbs stands up and volunteers to take her place.

Tony radios Renaldo again, saying they will have the money in 30 minutes. Borin is on the satellite phone trying to get any kind of bills to give them. Renaldo marches Gibbs through the bowels of the ship and tells Tony he's going to make an example of him. Gibbs finally gets tired of Renaldo and turns and attacks.

Tony and Borin hear a gunshot then wait until they hear Gibbs report that he's fine. Renaldo has a gunshot wound to his leg.

McGee visits Duckie in the morgue, where he reports that Joe Willis' body was preserved in his bathtub in chemicals to slow decomposition. He's been dead five to seven days.

Gibbs puts a tourniquet on Renaldo's leg and tells him to radio to his friends that he's fine. Renaldo says they were going to contact the shipping company for ransom but when O'Rourke's fight with Alandro destroyed the radio, their plan went to hell.

Gibbs tightens Renaldo's tourniquet to get the location of the sixth hijacker on board.

Back at NCIS, Ellie has found tons of encrypted emails with shipping times and petty cash drops on Alandro's laptop, showing the operation was clearly carefully planned and financed.

McGee comes down to visit Abby doing his best Gibbs impression. She's trying to ID eight different DNA samples and says Willis was stored in dead animal deodorizer.

Back on the Navy ship, Borin and Tony look at the matches to several of the hijackers, whom Tony says look like members of an evil boy band. They're all small time criminals, but someone smuggled them into the country and made them fake IDs. Borin thinks they're missing something.

In the office, Ellie tells McGee she traced the encrypted emails to a Kinko's outside Norfolk.

Abby comes up to report she knows what the numbers found at the crime scene mean. It's a locator number for a shipping container on the San Dominick, owned by LCD Liquidated, a shell company that ships out of the US to countries with loose banking laws. They're being investigated for laundering money.

McGee cites Rule 70: "Keep digging until you hit bottom." Abby points out to "McGibbs" that there is no Rule 70 and the power has gone to his head.

Renaldo marches Gibbs into the mess hall, where Renaldo calls his fellow hijacker over. Once he's nearby, Gibbs pulls his gun and disarms the man. Meyers tells Gibbs the hijackers took Felton.

Renaldo shows Gibbs to the container his man was supposed to be guarding. They find it empty and Gibbs finds a sophisticated bomb hidden in the doorway.

Gibbs hears a noise and turns to see another hijacker holding Felton hostage with a gun to her head. Renaldo clarifies that the bomb is not theirs.

It's counting down past three minutes. Gibbs says he'll disarm it if the hijacker lets Felton go. In Spanish, Renaldo tells Jaime not to trust Gibbs.

Tony and Borin join them in the cargo hold and also draw on Jaime. Borin tells them there was no mention of the escape boat Renaldo is expecting in the operational plans they found. Gibbs explains that they were set up to take the fall and the money was never on the boat.

With the counter down past 1 minute, Jaime still won't surrender. Gibbs offers to shoot him, or just go straight to diffusing the bomb. With 30 second left, Jaime finally surrenders. Gibbs walks away from the bomb to cuff Jaime, letting it count down to zero.

Nothing happens. Then Gibbs reveals the wire he pulled when he first saw the bomb. Borin punches him in the shoulder.

Tony looks inside the shipping container and sees chewing tobacco.

Back on land, Tony and Borin catch up to O'Rourke as he's checking on stacks of bills in the back of his truck. They explain they matched his DNA in the chewing tobacco found in the shipping container, and found video surveillance of him buying tons of dead animal deodorizer at a store two miles from the Kinkos where he sent the emails from.

When they ask if he was partners with Alandro, O'Rourke says Alandro tortured him for those 10 days when he held him hostage and he only used him to set up the hijacking, always planning to kill him.

Back at NCIS, Tony tells McGee he did a good job, not blowing anything up or causing any international incidents. Ellie reports she watched "Star Trek 2" last night and thinks she knows how Gibbs passed his exercise. She thinks Gibbs fixed it, like Captain Kirk. Tony explains to her why she won't ever get to ask Gibbs for the truth (no accusing the boss of cheating).

Left alone in the office, McGee tries on Gibbs' chair for size. Naturally, Gibbs finds him. "Really? Rule 70, McGee?" Gibbs says.

Parental Guidance Suggested

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Guest Stars: Marisol Nichols (ATF Special Agent Zoe Keates), Millie Bobby Brown (Rachel Barnes), Josh Randall (Navy Commander Ryan Barnes), Kenneth Mitchell (Nathan Curtis), Bronson Pinchot (George Burton), Carlease Burke (D'Arcy McKinna), R.C. Ormond (Dorian Hobart), Brady Allen (Benjamin Curtis)
Production Code: 12006
Summary: A Navy commander's wife is murdered and NCIS must determine whether her death is linked to her profession as a therapist or an act of terrorism after finding her husband's name on a jihadist target list. Meanwhile, the team discuss Halloween costumes and Tony's recent dating habits.



Nathan Curtis and his son Ben walk a young girl named Rachel home after school. They hear screams coming from inside and Mr. Curtis goes in to see Rachel kneeling next to her dead mother's body.

Tony comes in to the office to see McGee futilely trying to convince Ellie that she has to wear a costume to Abby's Halloween party. Tony laments the couple's day it's become and that everyone will have a date. He's gone on six this month, but none of them took.

Gibbs comes in with the body of the week.

On the scene, Duckie says the victim was killed by a single shot to the back between midnight and 2 a.m. The victim is Dr. Valerie Barnes, wife of Navy Commander Ryan Barnes.

Gibbs talks to Mr. Curtis outside, who tells him he was bringing Rachel back from a sleepover because her mom had to work late. He doesn't know her father at all.

Gibbs finds Rachel outside in her elaborate fort, with her mother's blood still on her hands. She's worried about where her dad is and doesn't want to leave her fort, in case the people trying to kill her dad come back.

Back in the office, Tony and McGee reject all of Ellie's cliché couple costume ideas.

Gibbs comes in for the victim rundown. Valerie Barnes worked at a counseling center. Ryan Barnes has been on survival training and he's a highly decorated SEAL.

McGee runs a search and finds that Barnes participated in the raid on Benham Parsa and, after his identity was accidentally leaked, he's now listed as a target on a jihadist website.

Down in the lab, Ellie, McGee and Abby have tracked the jihadist web IP address to Dorian Hobart, who who lives in Maryland and was dishonorably discharged from the army. They cook up a cover ID for McGee to send Hobart a message through his website to see if he'll bite.

Gibbs takes popcorn and hot chocolate to Rachel in the conference room. He gently tells her about his own mother dying when he was about her age. She's mad at her mom for not being on alert against the bad guys like her dad taught them. She wants to go back to her fort safe place. But Gibbs has brought all of the essential fort building materials to make a new one.

Down in the morgue, Duckie tells Tony that Valerie died instantly. He also found a ten year old fracture to her cheekbone that isn't in her medical record.

After Hobart responds to McGee, they head to a park to meet him. Tony leads Ellie through yoga poses as they watch Hobart join McGee on a park bench. When Hobart takes McGee's sample detonator, Gibbs gives the signal to converge.

But before they can arrest Hobart, a woman tackles McGee to the ground and Hobart pulls a gun. As everyone is trying to figure out what's going on, the woman recognizes Tony as "Spider." She's Zoe Keats and used to be with Philly PD, but is now with ATF. "Hobart" is one of their agents acting as a decoy.

She tells them Hobart couldn't be their killer because they've had him in custody for two months. They didn't take down his hit list website because they wanted to maintain authenticity. When Keats says they would have acted if anyone was in danger, Gibbs points out that Valerie Barnes is dead.

Keats gets defensive but insists a .38 to the back is too quiet for terrorists.

Tony and Keats flirt as they remember being rookies together in Philly.

Back in the NCIS morgue, Ryan Barnes IDs his wife's body. Barnes thinks his job is to blame, but Gibbs says it might not be related. Barnes can't think of any threats to his wife, mentioning that he's gone ten months of the year.

Down in the lab, Ellie, Abby and McGee conspire to try to get Tony together with Keats.

Gibbs sees Ryan and Rachel Barnes to the elevator.

Tony has answers about Rachel Barnes' facial fracture. She was beaten up by famed serial killer and cannibal George Burton (Bronson Pinchot), when working as a prison psychiatrist.

Burton is serving a life sentence, but Valerie visited him two weeks ago.

Tony and McGee pay Burton a visit. As soon as he learns they're from NCIS, he assumes Valerie is dead. He says she's one of the few people he respected. He explains that he beat her up ten years ago because he thought a "little outburst" would help his insanity plea. He insists he could have killed her if he wanted to.

He tells them Valerie came to see him because she had another patient kind of like him, a sociopath. He says she was scared, more scared than she ever was of him.

Back at NCIS, Ellie and McGee come up with nothing while going through Valerie's patient files. Zoey Keats comes by with coffee and a peace offering bran muffin for McGee. When they catch her up on the patients, she suggests they look at the ones flying under the radar.

Ellie asks Keats her thoughts on classic movie marathons and home cooked Italian food, and Keats thinks she's asking her out.

Down in the lab, Tony responds to Abby's 911 page. She seals the doors and tells him it's time to talk about Ziva leaving. She tells him it's time for him to face the fact she's gone. He says the truth is he misses his friend.

Abby gets an alert on her 3D rendering of the pieced-together bullet. It was already in the system from an accidental discharge at a private residence. The gun is registered to Nathan Curtis.

In interrogation, he tells them that the accidental discharge was actual him attempting to kill himself when he was depressed after leaving the Corps. He went to Valerie for help and she referred him to a colleague. He gave her the gun for safe keeping because he didn't trust himself with it.

McGee brings up an argument people saw them having outside the school. He says he thought something odd was going on with Ryan and Valerie and after he saw bruises on Rachel, he confronted Valerie, but she insisted he had it all wrong.

Ellie pulls Gibbs into the hall to report that Ryan Barnes was on a training mission 12 miles from his own house and no one saw him between 11 p.m. and 3 a.m.

Ellie and Tony go to the hotel where Ryan and Rachel are staying. They hear a TV on inside and go in, but the room is empty and looks untouched. "Ryan played us, he's gone," Tony says.

Back at NCIS, they put a BOLO out on Ryan Barnes and track Rachel's cell phone to a rest stop. Ryan is sitting next to Rachel on a bench. He surrenders, confessing that he killed his wife. He apologizes to his daughter as she sobs.

Late at night, Gibbs is bothered by the case and visits Duckie. He's been going over Rachel's files and finds she was the victim of severe abuse. Gibbs notices the hospital report dates are all while Ryan Barnes was gone.

He remembers what Burton said about sociopaths going to any lengths to get what they want. Valerie knew the warning signs but still covered up whatever was going on. He thinks that means Ryan Barnes isn't their killer.

Gibbs goes back to talk to young Rachel, telling her she hasn't been honest with him. He found the murder weapon buried under her fort. "I didn't have time to bury it deeper. I needed to get back before Mr. Curtis realized I snuck out," she says.

Rachel says her mother was going to send her to a special hospital in Montana for help. She hated her. She says sometimes he'd come back when she hurt herself, but never stay as long as she wanted. So getting rid of her mother was the only solution.

"Daddy didn't understand either when I told him what I did. He'll come around eventually," she says.

A stoic Ryan Barnes watches his sociopath young daughter through the glass.

Later that night, McGee is upset to see Tony's Batman costume is a tux – he's going as Bruce Wayne. McGee has a Robin costume. "This is great, now I'm going to be the only one at the party wearing spandex," McGee says.

"Maybe not," Tony says, when he sees Ellie saunter in as Sandy at the end of "Grease." Her husband is meeting them at the party as Danny.

Tony says he has things he needs to do and will meet them there. At his desk, he sees Ziva's star of David necklace in his drawer, he puts it back and sees Zoey Keats standing nearby.

Seeing he looks rough, she asks if he's had a bad day. When he says it was a bad year, she offers to listen.

He asks why she didn't look him up if she's been in DC for five years, and she points out he left without even saying good-bye and she didn't know where he went.

He apologizes and says she deserved better.

The Searchers

Season 12

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Guest Stars: Aaron Abrams (Todd Price), Bart McCarthy (Retired Marine Master Sergeant George Hawkins), Connor Kalopsis (Oscar), Keith Robinson (Henry Caldwell), Long Nguyen (Ky Van Tu), Nikki DeLoach (Army Lieutenant Colonel Maya Leland), Tembi Locke (Alice Kent Staley), Tyree Brown (Zak), Kyla Drew Simmons (Greta Staley)
Production Code: 12007
Summary: The NCIS team investigate the murder of a retired master sergeant and uncover a fraudulent charity that preys upon families who are searching for missing military personnel. Meanwhile, Bishop agonizes over the results of her probation evaluation; and Tony contemplates adopting a stray cat that followed him home.



Gibbs has issues in tonight's episode. One involves that gravest of sins, someone taking advantage of a Marine. The other involves a piece of haunting furniture. And Ellie Bishop gets good news that turns out to be bad news that turns out to be a reason to be angsty and make determined faces the whole hour. Finally, Tony is left to pick up the emotional pieces when his latest relationship runs out on him.

But we begin, as we always do, with the discovery of the body.

Two young boys sneak into Old Man Hawkins' garage looking for something to

resell and find it full of war stuff – and also the dead body of Old Man Hawkins. Stealing is wrong, kids.

In the office, Tony shares that a cat that has made itself at home in his apartment. Ellie Bishop is scared to open her nine month probie eval from Gibbs. To help her manage her expectations, McGee tells her he got 63 out of 100, Tony got a 58.

Bishop gets an 82, and some shocked looks.

Gibbs interrupts with the body of the week. Hawkins was a retired career Marine. On the scene, he's holding dog tags in his hand belonging to Sgt. Charles J Kent, who was killed in the Vietnam War.

Back at the office, Bishop's 82 has gone to her head.

Update time. Kent was KIA in Vietnam in 1969, he was Hawkins' squad leader when they were ambushed. Kent's remains have never been found and there's no record anyone recovered his

dog tags, making it quite a puzzle how they ended up in Hawkins' hands. Phone records show Hawkins has been talking to Kent's daughter, Alice Kent Staley.

In the conference room, Alice tells Gibbs that "Hawk" looked out for her ever since he came back from the war, and was focused on trying to find her dad's remains. But she didn't know he had his dog tags. Hawkins held Kent as he died and could never accept that Kent's body disappeared. Hawk was making videos about Kent for Alice's eight-year-old daughter, Greta.

Down in the morgue, Duckie tells Ellie that Hawkins was dying of pancreatic cancer. He was shot by a .38 special. Before Bishop leaves, Duckie and Palmer give her an unsolicited pep talk about her probie score – not knowing that she already knows it. They explain that Gibbs gives low scores to push people he sees have potential. And if she got a high score? "Then I'd advise you to turn in your badge," Duckie jokes.

Ellie's doubt cycle begins.

In Hawkins' garage, McGee finds Hawkins spent boatloads on search firms to find Kent's remains. Tony is distracted with thoughts of the cat he has decided to keep. And named: Rick Blaine after Bogart's character in "Casablanca" because the cat has a "fur tuxedo."

Down in the lab, Abby announces to Gibbs that the dog tag was a fake and even had the wrong blood type on it, so Hawkins would have known it was fake. The blood trail on the floor of the garage shows that Hawkins dragged himself to the table to grab the dog tag – to send them a message.

The next day, Tony is late because Rick Blaine sat on his alarm. McGee is going through the PIs, charities and for-profits that Hawkins worked with to find Kent.

Gibbs puts Ellie on finding Kent's remains, nevermind that it's a decades long fruitless search. Ellie chats with Col. Maya Leland in MTAC about a search two years ago that turned up objects, including a necklace and water bottles, but nothing related to Kent. They think the Vietcong might have moved the body.

After pouring through Hawkins' extensive collection of stuff, Abby has found a plain white envelope that contained the fake dog tags. She's traced the torn partial logo to BST travel agency, which McGee and Tony visit. When they notice handwriting matching the envelope Hawkins had, the boss, Todd Price, tells them he recently fired a guy named Henry Caldwell for stealing from petty cash. He has two convictions for fraud.

Gibbs and Bishop head to his place, but when he sees them out front he runs through the pizza shop below. Gibbs sends Bishop to cover the back, but she runs in when she hears a crash, and the distraction of falling pans lets Caldwell escape.

Back at the office, they find that Caldwell was targeting people who contacted a legit charity that helped locate MIA and KIA soldiers and claiming to have their dog tags, then asking for money. Tony and McGee leave to stake out a pharmacy where Caldwell's insulin prescription for his diabetes is waiting.

Gibbs lets Bishop off the hook about letting Caldwell go, but tells her to keep looking for Kent's remains. She's upset not to get yelled at.

Ellie watches one of Hawkins' videos down in the morgue, in which he describes Kent ordering their unit to stop and help a crying Vietnamese boy bury his parents. After a pep talk from Duckie, Ellie looks at the photo of the boy in the video and recognizes a necklace recovered on Leland's search mission two years ago.

After an all-nighter staking out the pharmacy waiting for Caldwell, Tony is despondent when he gets a call from his cleaning lady that Rick Blaine escaped. They finally see Caldwell come in.

Back at NCIS in interrogation, Caldwell turns on the charm for Gibbs but is stunned when he says Hawkins is dead. Gibbs presses and Caldwell gives up his travel agent boss, Todd Price, as his partner.

The team gets Price's revolver and Abby confirms it as the murder weapon, but Price is long gone to Vietnam. As Gibbs and Tony prepare to fly there, Ellie makes her case to go along and track down the boy from the photo with the idea he might have moved Kent's remains. She wants a chance to prove herself, asking Gibbs what else she's supposed to do when he doesn't believe in her. They get into it and she finally accuses him of going easy on her since she started.

In Vietnam, Gibbs and Tony meet with Sgt. Leland.

Back in the morgue, Abby and McGee piece together the other reason Price kept returning to Vietnam and get a location for his girlfriend.

Gibbs and Tony track down Price and arrest him.

Leland calls Gibbs to meet with Ky Van Tu, the young boy from the photo. He tells Gibbs about following Kent to thank him and seeing him killed. He got his cart and brought Kent's body back and buried him next to his parents, to honor him.

Leland and her team unearth Kent's remains and Gibbs brings the dog tags back to his daughter.

Late at night with Bishop hunkered down on the floor with her laptop, Gibbs admits to Bishop that he was going easy on her, but not why she thinks. It's about the desk. He blames himself for losing two good people who sat there. Bishop ends up giving him a pep talk, saying that the job is hard, but that doesn't mean his way of teaching is wrong. "I'm asking you to push me to be like you," she says.

"Ok, back to the old way," Gibbs says, then barks at her to get off the floor.

Semper Fortis

Season 12
Episode Number: 266
Season Episode: 8

Originally aired: Tuesday November 18, 2014
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Guest Stars: Johann Urb (U.S. Park Police Sergeant Burt Moore), Salli Richardson (Carrie Clark), Anthony Hill (Navy Petty Officer Third Class John Blaney "JB" Hicks), Blake Hood (Bennett Jermaine), Cameron Deane Stewart (Ben Koss), Dohn Norwood (Fairfax County P.D. Sergeant Sherman T. Harper), Karl T. Wright (John Hicks), Laura Seay (Anna Dillon), Lou Ferrigno Jr. (Dave Lancellotti), Mary Lafleur (Samantha Boscarino), Sergio Enrique (Marine)
Production Code: 12008
Summary: A former Navy hospital corpsman gives aid to the victims of a wreck; local officials arrest her for practicing medicine without a license; Gibbs and company find the other driver, his killer, and a lawyer who makes a deal for the corpsman.



U.S. Park Police Sergeant Burt Moore gets a friendly interrogation from the team when he drops Abby off. When he leaves, Tony references the fact that two months with Abby is her max relationship.

Gibbs interrupts with the body of the week: A petty officer killed in a possible hit and run.

On the scene, the victim is John Hicks, home on leave. His two passengers were taken to the hospital. It looks like Hicks lost control of the car. They're puzzled by the bandages on the dead man.

Sgt. Sherman Harper with Fairfax PD explains the EMTs found Harper and his

friends bandaged when they got there. A woman named Anna Dillon found them and was tending to them. She said she saw an SUV pass her and then came upon the accident, but won't say anything else without a lawyer. She's not a nurse, doctor or EMT and could be in trouble for practicing without a license.

Gibbs tests Dillon. He shouts "corpsman!" at her and she wheels around as she's being put into the police car.

Back at the office for victim and good Samaritan rundown. The passengers were Mary LeFleur and Ben Koss, high school friends of Hicks'.

Dillon was a Navy hospital corpsman, but can't legally help.

In the morgue, Duckie explains that Dillon couldn't have saved Hicks from his internal bleeding. There was no medical reason for the car to crash.

Ellie and Tony visit Ben in the hospital. He says they were run off the road, but didn't see the car. Anna Dillon saved Ben's life.

Anna Dillon served two tours in Afghanistan and saved at least 12 lives there. But the county prosecutor is charging Anna.

Gibbs goes to visit Anna. She blames herself for Hicks' dying and thinks she could have saved him. She learns the same as Army and Air Force medics and they come out as EMTs and could have legally saved those kids.

After a call from the US Attorney, Gibbs escorts Dillon out. Sgt. Harper tells them Mary LeFleur might be paralyzed and Dillon is responsible.

At his favorite diner, Gibbs meets with Carrie Clark to asks her to represent Dillon. Gibbs knows they can't win, but he wants to get the laws changed.

Down in the garage, Abby has found paint on Hicks' bumper and the five cars in the county that have it. McGee tries to convince Abby not to enforce her two month rule with Burt, but she shoes him away.

Ellie and McGee visit one of the silver truck owners, Dave Lancellotti, who discovers his truck is missing when they ask to see it. He says he was at a bar all night.

Gibbs introduces Anna Dillon to Carrie Cook.

Back at the office, Ellie and Tony report the bartender confirmed Dave's alibi. Dave is a semi-pro race car driver and his website is full of comments saying he's a hot head on the track. They find a video of Lancellotti fighting trackside with Ben Koss, the crash survivor.

Tony and Gibbs visit Ben in the hospital. He tells them about Dave bumping him during a race and making him spin out, just like the car crash.

Ellie and McGee visit Dave's part time job, a high end garage. His boss Bennett says Dave took off a few hours ago.

Back at NCIS, Ellie summons Tony and McGee for a men's room conference about Abby. McGee tells Ellie about finding a list of qualifications Abby wants in a boyfriend, including opening the door for her but also a two month cut-off and very specific requirements. Ellie wants to stop Abby from sabotaging herself but the guys caution her not to get involved.

Carrie meets with Anna and Gibbs to explain her plan to have Anna admit what she did and argue the law is flawed. Sgt. Harper joins them as they head out to the lojack location of Dave's truck. They find him dead in the driver's seat with a gunshot wound in his head and gun in his hand.

In the morgue, Duckie says Lancellotti's death was staged.

Carrie, Gibbs and Anna meet with Hicks' father to get him on Anna's side. He thanks her and agrees to do whatever he can to help Anna.

In the lab, Abby has ID'd two DNA samples on a wrench in Lancellotti's truck. One belongs to Bennett Jemaine. He was kicked out of the Navy in basic training when a petty officer found drugs in his locker and turned him in: Hicks.

The team uses their cars to block the road out of town and wait for Bennett to drive up.

In the office, they get word that Mary Lefleur is doing well.

McGee tries to convince Abby to give Burt an extension to her two month rule. Burt comes in with black roses for her and she seems to reconsider.

Anna paces nervously in Gibbs' basement, awaiting word from Carrie Cook. Carrie comes by and tells Anna all she'll have to do is community service since the victim's parents all went to bat for her. Gibbs encourages her to finish med school like she plans.

Grounded

Season 12
Episode Number: 267
Season Episode: 9

Originally aired: Tuesday November 25, 2014
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Guest Stars: Jackie Johnson (Chelsea Mills – ZNN Meteorologist), Chris Dougherty (Airport Police Officer Lou Sandlock), Chris Flanders (Self-Important Pete / Joseph McBride), Edie McClurg (Mrs. Ruth Potts), Jamie Bamber (NSA Attorney Jake Malloy), Klea Scott (Airport Police Lieutenant Janet Lewis), Philippe Brenninkmeyer (Dapper Don / Alberto Velez), Rane Jameson (Pajama Hipster), Trent Dawson (Norman Dopps / Mike Beers), Tate Hanyok (Lana Danzette)
Production Code: 12009
Summary: DiNozzo, Bishop and her husband, who are stuck at Dulles airport due to inclement weather, work an NCIS case involving an elevated terrorist threat to Northeast airports during the Thanksgiving travel period.



A massive snow storm is hitting DC when a business traveler answers his motel room door and is shot dead. The shooter puts on the dead man's glasses and jewelry and heads for the airport.

At NCIS, the team minus DiNozzo finally meets Jake Malloy (Jamie Bamber), Ellie Bishop's husband. They're flying to Turks and Caicos for Thanksgiving. Tony's already at the airport to meet his father, who is flying in from London.

At the airport, Ellie thinks her husband seems on edge, but he assures her he's fine. They run into Tony at the gate. An announcement is made that all flights

are delayed. Ellie goes to the counter to change seats and the shooter bumps into her. Jake confronts him for an apology. Ellie is bothered by how familiar the man looks and can't place him.

Jake tells Tony that Ellie is more suspicious since she started at NCIS, but she argues that's only because they can't talk about his job anymore now that she doesn't work at NSA with him.

Back NCIS, McGee gets an alert through the National Terrorism Alert Network about a possible terrorist strike at a northeast airport.

At the airport, Ellie makes up a reason to talk to the shooter, asking if they know each other from somewhere. He's shifty and gets away from her as quickly as possible.

Gibbs calls Tony to mention the chatter, but Jake already knows about it. Ellie is upset he didn't tell her and realizes that's why he was on edge. Then she notices the shooter is wearing an ankle holster. She decides to go ask to see his ID.

Tony and Ellie flash their badges as an airport policeman comes up. He draws on them, then asks to see the shooter's badge after they show theirs. "You're making a big mistake," he says, then takes out a badge. He says he's an air marshal named Mike Beers and they just blew his cover.

In a police room, he says no one on his Paris flight saw him show his badge, so he's OK. Tony makes a joke about needing a "Beers" and is surprised when the man doesn't get the easy joke about his last name.

Gibbs calls to check in. The threat level has been raised and it now specifically mentions DC metro airports. Tony calls McGee privately to have him look into Beers.

Ellie takes a photo of him to send to Abby. She compares it to his ID photo and finds that the man in the airport is not Mike Beers. They also find he's got an open credit card charge at a local motel.

They update Tony and Ellie, who wait for DC airport police to meet them outside the bathroom Beers just went into.

They go in with Janet Lewis of the airport police and find not-Beers dead of a stab wound in a stall. His gun is gone. Lewis gives the OK to shut down the airport.

"Great, we're snowed in here with an airport full of cranky passengers, a dead fake air marshal, and his killer on the loose somewhere with a knife and a gun. Anybody else feel like they're playing Clue?" Tony says.

Ellie sends crime scene photos to Abby. Tony, Gibbs, Duckie and Palmer find the real Beers dead in his motel room.

Ellie MacGyvers a way to lift the dead man's prints. Jake is impressed by his wife in action.

Tony and Lewis go to look at surveillance footage of the people leaving the restroom before they went in, but there's a wad of gum on the camera. Angry passengers converge on the closed bathroom and Tony tries to calm them down. A dapper doctor offers help for the "medical emergency" excuse Tony gives, but Tony declines.

Abby IDs the dead man as Norman Dopps, a gun for hire who's on their most wanted every week. But he doesn't usually work for terrorists.

Homeland Security now thinks it's an assassination attempt, but they don't know of whom. Lewis won't give them access to their security cameras, per Homeland rules. But Jake thinks he can help.

In the morgue, Duckie and Palmer examine the crime scene photos emailed by Ellie. They think it could have been a stab from a nylon knife or something that could get through security.

At the airport, Jake rigs his product placement laptop webcam to send video of the crowd to NCIS.

Tony is annoyed to see Lewis bringing out a metal detector to start searching passengers, per Homeland's orders. He worries it'll spook the gunman. Then they hear that the snow is letting up and three flights are being cleared to land, including Tony's dad's from London.

At NCIS, they comb passenger manifests for possible targets. There's Joseph McBride, a lobbyist for a chemical company. Ruth Potts, a retired school teacher who's been mouthy all evening.

Passengers begin lining up to be screened again. Tony texts his dad to stay on the plane when it lands.

At NCIS, Abby finds two Colombian agents are escorting Hector Gomez, who's wanted for the murder of a cartel leader. They start searching for anyone who could be on their connecting flight to Bogota. Gibbs notices a man with a beard who looks familiar. It's the clean shaven dapper doctor.

They send his photo to Tony and Ellie, who wait outside the gate as Hector is escorted off. Tony spots the doctor just as the target is being led off the plane and draws before the killer can. Tony shoots him dead.

Back at the office, Duckie suggests cocktails, but Abby has a suggestion first: snow angels. Gibbs agrees to one.

House Rules

Season 12
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Season Episode: 10

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Guest Stars: Vik Sahay (Henry Kahn), Ethan Rains (Former NCIS systems administrator Kevin Hussein), Erin Allin O'Reilly (Heidi Partridge), Indira G. Wilson (FBI Agent P. Filsk), David Bickford (Priest), Rick Deats (Navy Admiral John McGee), Sasha Alexander (Former NCIS Agent Caitlin Todd), Troian Avery Bellisario (Sarah McGee), Cote de Pablo (Ziva David), Lauren Holly (Former NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Jamey Sheridan (Admiral John McGee), Kent Shocknek (Guy Ross), Muse Watson (Mike Franks), Gregoer Boru (Douglas VonDorothy AKA Krampus)
Production Code: 12010
Summary: The NCIS team consult with three cyber-terrorists they imprisoned after a citywide Internet shutdown the week before Christmas. Meanwhile, McGee reflects on the case and Gibbs' infamous rules as he writes a heartfelt letter to his father.



McGee sits down at his old typewriter to tell his dad about a case they had last week that made him think of his dad.

Flash back to Gibbs sitting down for dinner in front of the TV and seeing a breaking news bulletin about the Internet being shut down around DC.

Tony and Ellie report to the office, called in three hours from being officially on holiday leave. The Internet is down, but the military intranet is not.

Ellie explains the coordination the attack would require a lot. Everyone is trying to figure out what the point is.

Down in the lab, Abby and McGee have identified Krampus as the coordinator. Three people from past cases have connection to Krampus: IT Kevin, who sold secrets to the Russians; Heidi Partridge, who ran the dark net and Ajay Khan, a cyber terrorist.

McGee knows he'll be roped into talk to the tech nerds, and he quickly is.

McGee is surprised that all three prisoners are transported together. They're not impressed by his authority.

Ellie brings them all sweatpants as a peace offering. Kevin is more inclined to help his former colleagues than the other two, but they peer pressure him into clamming up. They're trying to leverage their assistance but Tony gets a call that the Internet is back up.

Abby runs a server test and finds the one in Anacostia isn't back up.

McGee writes to his dad about how hard it is to enforce the rules and feel like a bad guy.

Back in the office, they have determined Krampus is going after Congressional emails. Gibbs orders McGee to keep the hackers at the office, but not let them near computers.

They get word of a body found hooked up to a utility box at a server farm. Gibbs orders the hackers down to autopsy to try to ID the body bust mostly so Duckie can gross them out with a gory autopsy.

It gets the hackers talking and they conclude that because the dead guy died before Krampus warning went out, so he was just working for him.

McGee tells Abby that his dad's chemo stopped working and he's scheduled for surgery this week.

Typing to his dad, McGee cites more of Gibbs' rules and notes that Nos. 3, 8, 36 and 40 are the same and that there are two No. 1 and No. 3.

Back at NCIS, they find that Heidi was using an anonymous message board in prison and hooked Krampus up with hackers before the attack.

Gibbs and McGee pull Ajay into an interrogation room. They know he's trying to land a consulting job with internet security companies and offer to put in a good word if he works with them. They want him to say he stole a phone off Bishop and let Heidi use it to warm Krampus that they're going undercover online. Ajay is about to agree when someone slips a note under the door that reads: Abby says wait.

In Abby's lab, Duckie announces the hacker had a rare disease that prevented him from sleeping. They ID him from his father's medical records as Lyle.

In the office, the hackers stand handcuffed behind members of the team, leading them through creating false IDs for message boards. McGee answers a call from his sister and hangs up angry. His dad canceled his surgery and McGee is angry he's not there to convince him to go through with it.

When Heidi asks to go to the bathroom, Ajay takes the opportunity to show her the phone. But instead he double-crosses NCIS and tells Heidi what they put him up to.

Later in the office, Ellie and Abby track the records of message board chats found in Lyle's apartment and think they've ID'd Krampus as a guy working out of his parents' cabin in Wisconsin.

Gibbs is about to call in nearby SWAT when McGee suggests it seems too easy. When Gibbs wants him to show the pictures of Krampus to Heidi, McGee refuses, frustrated that Gibbs is continuing to pursue a plan he said would never work of trusting criminals.

Gibbs cites Rule 51, which they've never heard. (Sometimes you're wrong.)

They take his record to Heidi. He hacks revenge porn for hire and hack into teenage girls' cell phones. McGee tries to appeal to her good nature. She tells them where to find Krampus.

McGee writes to his dad about the importance of rules protecting them.

Later in MTAC, they watch news footage of Krampus being arrested at his parents' place in Florida.

McGee puts on a nice suit and re-reads his writing about his dad teaching him to be prepared and stand up for himself, but also be prepared to admit when you're wrong.

Back in the office, McGee talks to his dad. Gibbs sends McGee off to see him.

McGee reads his letter to his dad, in which he realizes his postponing his surgery was his dad trying to give them one last Christmas together.

Then the priest knocks on the door of the room where McGee is sitting beside his father's coffin, finishing up his letter after spending the last few days together. He thanks his dad for making him the man he is as he wipes away tears and wishes his father a Merry Christmas.

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Season 12
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Season Episode: 11

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Guest Stars: Alex Veadov (International Mercenary Sergei Mishnev), Melinda McGraw (Diane Sterling), Andy Milder (Gene Isaacson), Cesili Williams (Vera), Jeri Ryan (Rebecca Chase), Lucy Walsh (Alice), Reggie Hayes (Mike Batowski), Alvin Cowan (Metro P.D. LEO)
Production Code: 12011
Summary: The NCIS team investigate a series of crime scenes that appear to be copycats of previous cases. Meanwhile, two of Gibbs' ex-wives show up at a crime scene to discuss something important with him.



A diner staff arrives at work to find a massacre inside.

At work, Ellie and Tony are having fun with a list of McGee's New Year's Resolutions (stop watching cat videos, separate whites from darks). Palmer interrupts with potentially terrifying news: Gibbs has stopped drinking coffee per his doctor's orders.

Gibbs interrupts with the body of the week: five of them.

At the diner, it looks like the victims all shot each other.

Outside, a woman is making a ruckus when the local policeman won't let her

through. It's Gibbs' ex-wife Diane Sterling (Melinda McGraw). She's soon joined by another woman, Gibbs' ex-wife No. 2 Rebecca Chase (Jeri Ryan). Inside, Rebecca says they met at an "emotional dwarf support group."

Diane brought Rebecca to a crime scene to talk to Gibbs because he couldn't get away.

Back at the office, it's victim rundown time. Victim No. 1 is staff sergeant Victor Delgado, a body builder. Chief Petty Officer Bo Lorden just returned from Afghanistan. They don't seem to be connected. All of the victims have good records and all failed to report to work last week. They're also all late paying their taxes.

Down in the lab, Abby explains that the four men surrounded the female victim, who fired at each man, killing them all before succumbing to her wounds.

Abby found they all had appointments with We Got Your Back Taxes accounting firm.

Gibbs races out of the building to avoid seeing ex No. 2.

At home, he sits down with a cup of coffee and inhales deeply, but pitches it. McGee calls with an address for the accounting firm. They make plans to go there in the morning. Since Diane works at the IRS, she's coming along.

Suddenly, No. 2 joins Gibbs. She starts to yell at him for ditching her at NCIS, then calms down to talk. He offers her a drink then she explains that she quit and that's why she's there. She bottomed out about a year ago and is at the step in the program where she makes amends.

She apologizes that he caught her in bed with another man. Gibbs says OK and leaves it at that. He mentions his terrible caffeine withdrawal headache and she works on his temples. He gets lost for a moment.

In the morning, McGee and Diane walk in to find Gibbs curled around Rebecca on the couch. He says they were talking and fell asleep.

Diane shows Gibbs that someone hacked the IRS to find Navy sailors who were late paying their taxes.

Before Diane can drag Rebecca away, Rebecca gives Gibbs an invitation to her wedding.

At the office that supposedly belongs to the accounting firm, they find an empty warehouse space. The renter paid in cash and gave a fake name.

McGee notices a bullet casing and blood. They turn on their black light and find the walls are covered in blood.

In the lab, Abby IDs the blood as belonging to the diner victims. She now thinks the diner shoot-out was staged. None of the victims had gunshot residue on their hands.

Ellie gets called to another crime scene, where Master Chief Eckham Beams is lying in the street dead. He has a We Got Your Back Taxes card in his pocket.

Down in the morgue, Palmer and Duckie find the attack familiar. The murder weapon was a syringe. Gibbs realizes the scene mimics the murder of Gibbs' mentor, Mike Franks.

Abby joins them with a crime sketch from years ago, the California scene where Director Jenny Shepherd was killed. It matches the staged diner scene. Someone is recreating murders from Gibbs' past.

Back in the office, they plan to talk to all of the people who had access to the crime scene sketch of Shepherd's murder. The team gingerly points out that someone is recreating the murders of people Gibbs cared about at the same time someone else he used to care about showed up: Rebecca. He freely admits she's a liar and totally unstable, but doesn't think she's a killer.

They show him a large wire transfer to Rebecca from an off-shore account three months ago. The IP address used to hack the IRS is Rebecca's.

Gibbs talks to Rebecca in interrogation as the entire team, plus Palmer and Duckie, watches from the observation room. Rebecca's fiancé and lawyer arrives. It's the man Gibbs found her in bed with. Gibbs can't take it anymore and chugs the man's coffee.

When Rebecca refuses to talk, Gibbs asks her where she was two nights ago, knowing the answer is his couch. She says the money was left to her by a relative then argues she's being set up.

Abby examines Rebecca's phone and finds it's bugged. Someone knew she was coming to see Gibbs. The bug traces back to a two-year-old espionage case involving a Russian mercenary. Abby finds he's worked with Sergei Mishnev, their No. 1 most wanted.

The team surrounds the Russian's last known address, an RV park. They find pictures of Rebecca all over the wall. Diane calls, ordering Gibbs to come meet her and saying she knows what's going on. Gibbs orders Rebecca and her fiancé into protective custody.

He goes to meet Diane on the roof of a parking garage, but she doesn't know why she's there. Gibbs realizes they've been set up. He's hustling Diane to her car when a shot rings out. She falls dead, with a bullet through her forehead.

From a distance, Sergei Mishnev looks at Gibbs through his scope and promises it's only the beginning. With Diane's blood spattered all over him, Gibbs goes down to the street and fires at Mishnev as he drives off.

Back at the office, Gibbs orders protective custody for Tobias Fornell and Emily, Diane's daughter. McGee reports on a motion sensor that was set off when they entered the RV and triggered the recording of Diane calling Gibbs. The voice is a fake. There's also a recording from Mishnev, addressing Gibbs and telling him he should have seen it coming. "You mess with my family, I mess with yours," he says, adding: "Check."

But they don't know what family he's referring to.

Down in the morgue, Palmer bows out of Diane's autopsy, saying he doesn't want to cut up another friend. Gibbs comes down to see her and remembers happier moments.

Duckie says if Sergei has a master plan, it means they might be able to figure it out and stop him. He's not happy with just killing Gibbs.

Abby comes down to report that Mishnev got access to Director Shepherd's murder file through the virus that their own IT guy Kevin made for him, the one that trashed their systems. He got Gibbs' personnel and everyone he's ever worked with.

Abby has an idea that will either help them find Sergei or "kill us all."

In the lab, she explains to McGee that she wants to re-release Mishnev's virus and trace it. She thinks she's removed all the dangerous elements.

Later, they call Gibbs to report they traced it to an apartment building next to where Diane was killed. Gibbs races there alone, with Diane's blood still caked to his face. He kicks in the door and start firing. He shoots two of Sergei's men but not Sergei. Gibbs starts beating him, but one of Sergei's men knocks him out.

Gibbs wakes up with the team standing around him. Sergei is gone. Gibbs phone rings. It's Fornell.

The Enemy Within

Season 12
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Season Episode: 12

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Guest Stars: Joe Spano (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Marisol Nichols (ATF Special Agent Zoe Keates), Sterling Macer Jr. (Homeland Assistant Director Chris Hegarty), Arlen Escarpeta (Former Army Specialist Randall White), Darryl Alan Reed (Cabbie), Lindsey Kraft (Sarah Goode), Rachel Dipillo (Chelsea), Stephanie Erb (Rachel Nasry)
Production Code: 12012
Summary: Gibbs and the rest of the NCIS team, along with FBI agent Fornell are on the hunt for an American born terrorist who was detected in Syria but is now back in the D.C area.



Northern Syria — A Navy SEAL team leads an assault on armed militants in a house, killing half a dozen men. The SEALs rescue an American woman, Sarah Goode.

A news report says that after a week in a hospital overseas, Sarah is being brought back to the US. Director Leon Vance visits Gibbs in his basement to ask him to handle Sarah's debriefing. He asks Gibbs to fix an antique jewelry box that used to belong to his wife Jackie. Vance wants to make sure Gibbs is doing OK with Sergei Mishnev coming after him.

There was no memorial for Gibbs' ex-wife Diane (whom Misnev killed) – she didn't want one. She was planning to re-marry FBI Agent Tobias Fornell, who is now struggling with her loss.

In the office, Tony is all smiles and mellow. McGee goes through Tony's desk then pours his coffee on Tony's car magazine to prove to Ellie Bishop that Tony isn't acting normal.

Gibbs interrupts for a rundown on Sarah Goode. She was a social worker in an orphanage when she was captured. The militants tried to ransom her for \$100 million, but the US doesn't negotiate with terrorists.

Tony returns to see the spilled coffee and is totally understanding about it.

Down in Abby's lab, she's going through the terrorists' things confiscated in the raid. She found fingerprints belonging to a man named Kyle Nasry, who wasn't among the dead terrorists and has a Maryland driver's license.

Kyle was born in Syria and lived there until his father died when he was 12, then he grew up with his mother in DC.

Gibbs and Ellie go to visit Sarah in her hotel. She doesn't have any family. She doesn't recognize a photo of Kyle Nasry and says her captors always wore hoods. She asks if he was killed in the raid.

Before she leaves DC she wants to go hear Imam Musa ibn Hasan, who has a fatwah against him. She hopes to return to the orphanage in Syria but knows she can't.

Gibbs and Vance talk to Chris Hegarty, Assistant Director of Homeland Security. He says the US knows of a dozen Americans fighting with the Syrians, but there are likely others.

Tony and McGee go to speak with Kyle's mom, Rachel, an American. She says he's traveling in Greece and her husband wasn't religious or political. He originally left to travel Europe with his girlfriend Chelsea, but they broke up.

Ellie talks to Duckie about her concerns about Sarah Goode, who she worries isn't dealing with her ordeal.

Tony and McGee go talk to Chelsea in her dog grooming van. She says she hasn't seen or spoken to Kyle in months. He was hanging out with radical extremists while they traveled so she left. She flirts with Tony, but he's politely uninterested.

As they leave, McGee realizes Tony is acting oddly because he's seeing someone.

Back in the office, Vance reports that they just learned from Homeland that Kyle landed in the US two days ago. "Our worst fear: a homegrown terrorist back on US soil," he says.

The next day, Fornell stops by. In 2010 he personally investigated Kyle Nasry after he protested against the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and cleared him. He wants to help to take his mind of Diane.

He and Gibbs interview Rachel Nasry. She emailed him her son about visiting him in Greece and his answers all read like excuses. But she still doesn't believe he could be radicalized or is back in the US.

Abby interrupts to report she found DNA on the terrorists' cell phone belonging to Randall White, who was discharged from the Army for bad conduct in 2011. He spent time in jail after for assault and converted to Islam.

McGee looks up his passport and finds White's passport was scanned at Dulles 15 minutes ago. Gibbs, Ellie and Tony head there. McGee calls to report they tracked him getting into a cab. They track the cab's GPS and have the dispatcher call for the destination.

In the cab, White gets suspicious. He takes a bullet out of a pen and calls someone to say "leave now." He has the cab driver let him out 10 blocks from the hotel.

Tony and Ellie get out of the car while Gibbs pulls around to stop White. They surround him and he puts a plastic gun to his head and pulls the trigger.

They find that Nasry pre-paid for a week at White's hotel but left minutes before they got there.

In the morgue, Duckie shows Gibbs that White recently shaved his beard. He had his Army Ranger tattoo covered up.

ATF Special Agent Zoe Keates surprises Tony by showing up at the office. Abby called her, but she's also there to return the handcuffs Tony left at her place last night. She notices he's acting oddly and asks if they're keeping their relationship a secret. Tony says it's going really well and he doesn't want to ruin it. He thinks they're in the clear, but Ellie and McGee hear the whole thing from behind a filing cabinet.

Down in the lab, Zoe says the gun could have been made by a 3-D printer like the one photographed in the terrorists' hideout. They can pass through airport security, but don't aim well and have to be used at close range and only have one shot. Ellie and McGee show up to stare at Tony and Zoe, then catch Abby up when they leave.

Gibbs and Fornell update Vance. Vance offers Fornell an ear if he needs it, as a widow and single parent.

Gibbs goes to visit Sarah Goode and shows her Randall White's picture. She says she doesn't recognize him. Gibbs studies her as he tells her White killed himself in DC.

After Gibbs leaves, Sarah talks to "Faheed," who was hiding in her bathroom. It's Kyle Nasry, armed with a plastic gun. She's clearly in charge and reminds him that they never thought she'd be rescued and they can use the current situation.

At the office, Gibbs is annoyed that Tony is late and tells McGee to call Zoe. He knows they're dating.

Fornell and Ellie stakeout Rachel Nasry's house and he accepts her offer of womanly advice for his teenage daughter. Fornell gets a call that Kyle just called his mom. They watch Rachel walk out of her house and over to their car. Kyle called needing money and she thinks he needs help before he gets hurt.

In a DC street, Kyle goes to get into his mother's car but finds Ellie instead. NCIS agents surround him.

At the "Forum for Peace" featuring the Imam, Vance is surprised to see Sarah Goode show up. She's been invited to meet with him privately after the speech.

Back in interrogation, Gibbs tries to get a rise out of Nasry but he won't talk. Duckie thinks it's odd that Nasry allowed himself to be taken captive.

Abby summons everyone to the lab, having decrypted the terrorists' hard drive. She found the unedited version of Sarah Goode's ransom video, in which Kyle Nasry appears and Sarah asks for another take. Gibbs realizes Nasry called his mom to draw them away.

They find out Sarah left her hotel an hour ago. Gibbs realizes Vance is at the Imam's speech and calls him.

Sarah waits in line to shake the Imam's hand and Vance races toward her. As she gets close, she grabs the plastic gun out of her purse. Vance grabs her just in time.

Back at the office, McGee brings Zoe in from the parking lot, where she was waiting for Tony. He tries to play it cool, but everyone announces they know.

Alone with Gibbs, Fornell asks him to let him have a crack at Sergei Mishnev when they find him.

We Build, We Fight

Season 12
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Season Episode: 13

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Recurring Role: Michelle Pierce (Breena Palmer), Susanna Thompson (Army Lt. Col. Hollis Mann)
Guest Stars: Chris Coy (Davis Riley), Andy Favreau (Navy Lieutenant Eric Kutzler), Will Green (Mat Jebson), Alano Miller (Vince Armstrong)
Production Code: 12013
Summary: Gibbs and the team investigate when a Navy lieutenant who is set to be the first openly gay servicemember to receive the Medal of Honor is murdered. Also, as his wife's due date approaches, Palmer prepares for fatherhood with a NCIS baby shower



A man with a scarred face and bloody knuckles tries to pull himself together, but he's shaky and on the edge. He calls someone named Vince for help but gets voicemail. When the power goes out he goes outside to the breaker box, where he's gunned down by someone dressed in black.

At NCIS, they host a baby shower for Breena and Jimmy Palmer. Abby gives them a baby lab coat. Tony is late but comes bearing earplugs, a bottle of wine and \$100 in cash. Breena sends Jimmy away for water and then pleads with the team for help getting Jimmy away from

her because his excessive worrying about the baby is driving her crazy.

Gibbs arrives with the body of the week: a dead Navy lieutenant in Falls Church. "Oh thank god," Breena says.

On the scene, they find three .22 casings. The victim is Eric Kutzler. Inside they find the glass Kutzler dropped while he was shaking and bloody hole punches in the wall.

Gibbs talks to a police officer who has a cut on his face and is fighting back tears. He's the victim's husband, he was working last night.

Gibbs reports to Vance's office and is not pleased to find his ex Hollis Mann there for the Department of Defense. She was vetting Kutzler for the Medal of Honor.

Down on the floor, Tony explains to Ellie that Hollis might be the person to get through to Gibbs after his ex-wife Diane's murder. Gibbs and Hollis join them for the victim rundown.

Kutzler was with the construction battalion but spent 18 months at Walter Reed Hospital recovering from injuries sustained in Afghanistan on a humanitarian mission. When they were

ambushed, Kutzler threw himself on a grenade and saved the lives of two of his men. He was also active in the effort to repeal Don't Ask Don't Tell and they want to make sure it wasn't a hate crime.

Down in the lab, Abby gets off the phone with Breena and gives Palmer the news that Breena is in labor. He runs.

Abby has surveillance footage from Kutzler's neighbor's camera including a shot of the killer from behind.

They also see that Kutzler's husband, Vince Armstrong, found his body outside then went inside and waited 20 minutes to call 911.

Tony and McGee talk to Vince in interrogation, who says he was in shock. He says the cut on his face is from pulling over a drunk. Armstrong was discharged from the Marine Corps for conduct unbecoming in 2007 and his files says he had a temper. Vince gets angry that they're wasting time with him instead of investigating.

Gibbs interrupts. He went through Vince's stellar record and realizes he was forced out of the service when his superiors found out he was gay. The allegations against him were trumped up.

Vince tells Gibbs about finding a bag of vials and syringes inside the house. He is sure they're not Eric's, but he didn't want them to affect his medal nomination so he hid them. He begs Gibbs to help him protect his husband's memory.

In the lab, Abby says Kutzler had no drugs in his system. The vials Vince found have morphine and fentanyl in them and they're homemade. They wonder if Kutzler was selling them.

Down in the morgue, Hollis asks Duckie how Gibbs is handling Diane's death. He's shutting her out. Duckie is about to tell her his theory as to why when Gibbs walks in.

Duckie is bothered that there were no drugs of any kind in Kutzler's system. The grenade broke his ribs and collapsed his lung, severed his jaw bone, tore through his eye socket and fractured his skull. But he never filled any of his pain medication prescriptions. Gibbs immediately understands that Kutzler blamed himself for the men who did die in the ambush.

They review the survivors and home in on Davis Riley, who was discharged in 2012.

Ellie finds that a letter of reprimand was put in Kutzler's file by his commanding officer Xavier Meade, but later withdrawn. Gibbs and Ellie go talk to Meade, who says he had no issues with Kutzler.

He says some men had issues with Kutzler being out and he got in a fight with one, Davis Riley. Meade wrote the letter but withdrew it because it didn't sit right with him that Kutzler got in trouble for defending himself from bigotry.

Tony and Hollis visit Davis Riley at his construction job. He throws up when he hears Kutzler was killed. Back at NCIS, Riley admits he hated everything about Kutzler back then but says he's changed. He describes Kutzler throwing himself on the grenade without hesitation and seeing him as a hero ever since. He says he and his chief Donahue nominated Kutzler for the award but that's news to Hollis.

Vance gets a call from the Secretary of Defense – some news outlets heard that a medal nominee was found dead with illegal drugs on him. They're canceling the medal nomination in 48 hours.

The next day, Gibbs is on a tear. Vince Armstrong comes in with the day's paper and lays into Gibbs.

In the lab, Abby finds from Kutzler's GPS that he went to a community outreach center in Maryland. Ellie, McGee and Tony learn at the center that Kutzler attended the nightly addiction meeting. The clerk, an annoying hipster named Mat, saw Kutzler in an argument after the last meeting. Tony wonders if Kutzler was selling drugs to addicts.

Back at NCIS, Hollis tells Gibbs that she found that Admiral Xavier Meade buried Kutzler's medal nomination from Riley back in 2012. Gibbs and Hollis sit down with Meade, who denies every seeing the nomination. But Hollis has proof he got it. They also know he's given low marks to every openly gay sailor under his command. Gibbs calls Meade a disgrace.

Outside the center, Tony, Ellie and McGee see Davis Riley leave the addiction meeting. He's clearly stoned and has drugs in his bag. He keels over and stops breathing.

Later that night, Hollis visits Gibbs in his basement. Riley is in stable condition. She knows he's blaming himself for Diane's death. He says her being near him makes her a target, but she assures him she can handle herself.

Gibbs visits Riley in the hospital, where he's handcuffed to his bed. Riley describes being haunted by the ambush and Kutzler helping him get better by taking him to meetings. Riley relapsed three days ago and Kutzler came to get him and took his stash. He told Kutzler he got his drugs from the guy at the front desk, Mat.

After searching Mat's apartment and finding his lab, Ellie and Tony confront Mat. They found a .22 with a silencer in Mat's trunk.

Later, Vince thanks Gibbs for solving Eric's murder. The medal announcement will be made in a few days. Gibbs urges Vince to continue his husband's legacy by carrying on his efforts to help people.

At the hospital, Palmer comes out and announces it's a girl, she's named Victoria Elizabeth, after Duckie's mother. Vince goes to see Riley to see how he can help him.

Cadence

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Guest Stars: Jamie Bamber (NSA Attorney Jake Malloy), Tanner Struebing (Young Anthony DiNozzo), Phillip Fallon (Young Travis Phelps), Brendan Patrick Connor (Travis 'Piggy' Phelps), Steve Harris (Coach Tanner), Lennie Loftin (Cantor)
Production Code: 12014
Summary: DiNozzo returns to the military academy he attended as a teen after a murdered Marine, who was an alumnus of the school, is found clutching the photo of a current student. Meanwhile, Bishop and her husband invite Gibbs and the team for a special dinner.



Someone dumps the body of a young man in the woods. He's wearing a military academy ring.

In the office, Ellie and her husband, Jake Malloy come by and announce their plans to invite the team to dinner. Gibbs comes in to announce the dead body of the week and also that he's already accepted the dinner invite.

The victim is 19-year-old John Wallis. His cell phone is missing. Wallis was stabbed repeatedly. They notice the trail of blood leading into the woods. Tony ID's Wallis ring as belonging to the Remington Military Academy – the last prep school Tony ever went to. Wallis is clutching a

blood-soaked photo in his hand.

Tony was sent to Remington after six prep schools in four years.

Ellie and Tony find the burned tarp the body was dragged in and tire tracks.

Back in the morgue, Ducky tells Gibbs that Wallis was stabbed 20 times in the gut by a stab to his neck killed him. He thinks it was a 6" knife. He has no defensive wounds.

In the office, it's victim rundown time: Wallis graduated at the top of his class and joined the Marine Corps. He was about to deploy when he got a call from the Military Academy, then emptied his bank account and disappeared.

Tony isn't thrilled when Gibbs sends him and Ellie to the school in Rhode Island.

McGee joins Abby in the lab and accidentally mentions dinner with Ellie and her husband tomorrow. Abby isn't upset she wasn't invited; she and Burt do things with Jake and Ellie all the time.

On the road, Ellie gets a text from Abby of the cleaned up bloody photo Wallis was holding – it's of a young woman in a cadet uniform. As they pass through the school gates, Tony remembers when he arrived. The basketball coach Gerald Tanner picked him up from the train station and dropped him off with a "Godfather" reference lost on teen Tony. Tanner tried to offer Tony words of comfort, but teen Tony snottily shot him down.

Cut to the present, Tanner greeting Tony and Ellie. He recognizes Christine Sanders from her photo – but she's also dead. Sanders was about to be the school's first female valedictorian when she began to withdraw and then OD'd on pills 10 days ago.

Wallis was Sanders' commanding officer, but Tanner says dating among the ranks is forbidden.

In the lab, Abby tries to match the knife used to kill Wallis. Tracking calling cards, McGee reports that a cadet named Lucas Craig, the senior cadet, was the one who called Wallis.

Abby remotely turns on Wallis' cell phone and tracks it to the home of Frederick Cantor.

Back at Remington, Tony does 5 a.m. push-ups but quits when he notices the overweight cadet next to him laboring. He told the drill leader to get the cadet, "Piggy," to the nurse, but got in trouble for insubordination instead.

Back at the school, Lucas Craig tells Tony and Ellie that he called Wallis after Christine died because they had been dating for a year.

Tony notices a man at a pick-up nearby eyeing them.

Gibbs visits Frederick Cantor, Wallis mentor and an RMA grad, who's working with tools in his wood shop. He started a scholarship program and Wallis was a recipient. Wallis was a mess when he came to see Cantor. Cantor says Wallis came from a really bad part of town and his parents are out of the picture.

On the drive back from RMA, Tony tries to forbid Ellie from telling McGee anything about their visit. They get a call from a man who claims to have information about Wallis' death. They've just reached DC and it's the night of Ellie's dinner, but they turn around.

Ellie calls Jake and Tony calls Gibbs to explain, but they're already at the diner. McGee gets a text as he walks in, he sizes up the situation and bails before they see him. Gibbs turns serious and asks Jake what he knows about Russian-Palestinian relations.

Back by Remington, Tony and Ellie meet their mystery caller – "Piggy" aka Travis. He takes Ellie and Tony to his house and is very paranoid about RMA hearing him. He works for the school now, but says Christine was pushed to suicide by "honor corps."

Tony remembers when he was a cadet, practicing on the basketball court alone one night. The lights went out and five cadets came in and surrounded him, announcing they were "honor corps" and they were going to punish him for breaking the rules. Just as they were surrounding him, Coach Tanner interrupted and told Tony he'd made the team.

Tony thought Tanner put an end to honor corps, but Travis explains they just made basketball players off limits. Travis says honor corps "disciplined" her every night for a month before she died. He told Wallis the same thing when he visited and Wallis seemed to know who to go after.

Alone in the office, McGee answers a ringing phone on Gibbs' desk – it's Jake's. Gibbs finds a police report Christine filed about being stalked.

Tony and Ellie go to her stalker, Lucas Craig. Tony finds a gray honor corps armband in Craig' locker. Craig relents and says Wallis was furious when confronted him. Craig admits he pushed Christine too far and caused her to kill herself. Wallis was ready to fight Craig, but Tanner stopped him.

Back at the lab, Abby announces the tire tracks at the crime scene were from custom tires for a 1972 Citroen.

Back at RMA, Tony and Ellie look at Tanner's Citroen and find cleaned up blood in the trunk. They arrest Tanner.

Tony remembers trying to hotwire Tanner's car as a cadet and Tanner catching him. Rather than busting him, Tanner gives him a pep talk and assures him he'll protect him from honor corps. "Take a stand and I'll stand with you," Tanner says.

Back in interrogation, Tony doesn't relish facing his former mentor. Tanner says he doesn't know how the blood got in his trunk. Tanner, who is now the school's provost, says he couldn't get rid of honor corps. He says he stopped Wallis from going after Craig and told him exposing honor corps would hurt the school.

He says Wallis was alive the last time he saw him and reminds Tony that everyone knows where he keeps his spare car key. (Tony remembers the end of Tanner busting him trying to hotwire the car – Tanner showing him the key is in the sun visor.)

Later, Abby examines Tanner's car in the garage. The spare key was still in the visor. Wallis' fingerprints were all over the car. His killer drove the car back. Abby found wax in the car, like the kind a carpenter would use. Gibbs wants to find the security footage from the bus station from after the car was returned.

Gibbs pays Frederick Cantor another visit in his tool shop. When Gibbs accuses him, Cantor goes for a chisel – the murder weapon. Then he admits Wallis came back to see him after going to RMA, wanting to expose honor corps. Cantor didn't want to let Wallis hurt RMA and his legacy.

On the way out of the office, Tanner runs into Tony and tells him he's proud of him, but he's resigning.

Back at his desk, Ellie gives Tony a photo of a photo she took of him on flag duty. She encourages him to embrace his past.

Jake joins Ellie after being in closed door NSA meetings all day. He says Gibbs was really easy to talk to, but he can't tell her about any of it.

Tony puts the picture up on his wall, then calls Travis to meet for a late dinner.

Cabin Fever

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Guest Stars: Lev Gorn (Russian Counselor Anton Pavlenko), Alex Veadov (Sergei Mishnev), Juliette Angelo (Emily Fornell), Joe Spano (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Courtney Hope (Petty Officer Second Class Judy Sloan), Marcelo Tubert (Guest Star), Joshua Sawtell (Guest Star), Scott Michael Morgan (Deputy Reed), Presciliana Esparolini (Deputy), Melinda McGraw (Diane Sterling), Brian Demonbreun (Doctor)
Production Code: 12015
Summary: Gibbs' arch-nemesis is suspected of being responsible for an explosion at a summit on global terror, but Gibbs chooses to sit out the investigation to help a grief-stricken Fornell, whose life is on the verge of imploding following his wife's murder.



A pair of state police pull over a car that's swerving wildly. There's a half-drunk bottle of bourbon open next to the driver: Agent Tobias Fornell.

The next day, Tobias tries to convince Gibbs that he was mostly out of it because of a beer with dinner mixed with pain pills. Gibbs is called away to a fire on a Navy ship.

The ship was supposed to host a summit on global terrorism. One female petty officer is dead with almost a dozen wounded. The team is already there and quickly concludes it was a bomb. They find a fragment that says "grenade" on it

in Russian.

Gibbs immediately assumes it's his foe Sergey Mishnev and that Leon Vance was the target. Russian Counselor Anton Pavlenko was scheduled to attend but arrives late. Pavlenko says if Sergey was behind it, he was the target.

Pavlenko explains that Sergey thinks Gibbs saved his life from the Russian defector (whose death NCIS actually faked).

On the scene, Gibbs impatiently barks orders. The victim is Katherine Gomez. Tony gingerly suggests to Gibbs that he sit this one out.

Gibbs gets a call from Emily Fornell, asking to see him right away. At NCIS, she tells Gibbs she knows about her dad's arrest. She says he's been angry, bitter and self-destructive since her mom died and is drinking too much. She asks Gibbs to help him.

Gibbs demands a rundown moments after the team returns. Gomez was setting up food when the bomb went off. No one reported seeing Sergey. Fornell joins them, says he's not on leave anymore. Gibbs tries to talk to Fornell, but he barks back and Vance has to intervene.

Up in Vance's office, Vance accuses Fornell of letting his demons get the better of him. He asks Fornell to wait outside while he tells Gibbs they can't cover for Fornell and the FBI needs to know. Instead, Gibbs offers to step away from the case and take care of Fornell.

Gibbs hijacks Fornell and takes him to his electricity-free cabin the woods. He pours Fornell a giant bourbon and joins him.

At the office, McGee thinks Gibbs would only step away from the case if he had a plan. Gibbs calls for an update while Fornell retches in the background.

The team heads to the hospital to interview more victims. McGee talks to Frankie Boulos, an employee of Video Light and Sound and was only on the ship to run a teleconference of the summit for people who couldn't attend.

Tony talks to Gomez's fellow officer and friend Petty Officer Second Class Judy Sloan.

Ellie pulls Tony and McGee aside to tell them she found out Gibbs asked her husband Jake for intel on Russian-Palestinian relations, including Mishnev and Pavlenko. Gibbs just asked Jake to send everything he had to the team.

Back at the cabin, Gibbs makes coffee over the fire and tells Fornell he dumped the bourbon. Fornell is ornery and resentful. Gibbs asks him if he's done embarrassing himself and his badge and Fornell swings at him. Gibbs goads Fornell into swinging again and when he ends up on the floor, Gibbs says it's OK that Fornell blames him for Diane's death because Gibbs blames himself, too. But Fornell says it's his fault.

At the office, they comb the files from Jake and find that Mishnev and Pavlenko are old college buddies.

Meanwhile, Pavlenko meets with Mishnev in an alley and tells him he's convinced the Russian government to give him asylum – if he kills Gibbs. Pavlenko knows NCIS faked the scientist defector's death. Pavlenko says he knows exactly where to find Gibbs.

Up at the cabin, Gibbs and Fornell freeze as they fish on a small row boat. Fornell can't help but be delighted when he snags one.

At the office, they find Sergey was born in Israeli. His father was a Russian officer stationed there and his mother was a doctor from Saudi Arabia. Suddenly they wonder if it's possible Sergey was Ari David's half-brother.

Down in the lab, Abby explains the grenade used a sheet of thin plastic for a detonator and it could have been triggered by sound. Abby suggests it could have been inside Boulos' sound equipment.

At the cabin, Fornell tells Gibbs about a voice mail he has saved from Diane. Gibbs gives him his phone and he plays it. It's from right before Diane went to meet Gibbs. Fornell blames himself for not calling her right back and the fact the last thing he ever said to her was in a fight the night before.

Gibbs tells Fornell he can prove how much he loved Diane by taking care of her daughter Emily. Back at the hospital, they should Sergey Michnev's picture to Frankie, but his father Nazar freezes when he sees it.

At the cabin, Gibbs doesn't have good enough reception to get a full update from Tony and Fornell is raring to go back. Gibbs keeps checking out the window and Fornell questions what Gibbs isn't tell him.

In interrogation, Nazar Boulos says he was friends with Sergey as a boy and then saw him a week ago when Sergey gave him a package to deliver to the ship inside the speaker. Then Sergey dropped in again today demanding a cell phone jammer.

Vance tries to call Gibbs.

Meanwhile, Sergey prowls the woods outside Gibbs' cabin with a long range rifle. Sergey busts in the door and finds Fornell by the fire. Sergey holds a gun on him and jabbars on until Gibbs sneaks up behind him and whacks him in the head with a log.

Sergey wakes up on a dark road mimicking the one in Russian where he faced down Gibbs. But this time Fornell is the one facing him. Sergey still has his gun but when he fires it, it's empty. Fornell shoots him dead between the eyes.

Later, back at the office at night, Fornell is reunited with his daughter. Vance confirms to Gibbs that Mishnev is really dead this time.

Back at his house with a beer, Gibbs gets a visit from Anton Pavlenko, telling him his ploy to trick Sergey worked. Anton, who was in on it, thanks Gibbs.

Blast From the Past

Season 12

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Guest Stars: Sasha Alexander (Agent Caitlin Todd), Linda Gehringer (Michele Stark), Adam Chambers (Robbie Santori), Michael E. Knight (Leland Spears), Curt Cornelius (Metro P.D. Lt. Cody Oaks), Alan Dale (Tom Morrow), Peter Bonilla (Edgar Bron), Monica Lawson (Nurse)
Production Code: 12016
Summary: A covert identity created for one of Gibbs' undercover cases 20 years ago resurfaces after a murder victim is found living under the alias.



A man follows his GPS through an area full of warehouses while he talks on the phone, doubting he's in the right place. Two shots blast through his windshield, killing him.

In the office, McGee programs a new smart phone for Gibbs to try out. Gibbs arrives with the body of the week, not a member of the Navy.

On the scene, Metro PD explains that the victim was Leland Speers and his ID was flagged to notify NIS (previous name of NCIS, changed in 1992) if anything happened to him.

Gibbs and McGee arrive late. McGee's smart phone navigation tutorial resulted in a battered smart phone. Gibbs recognizes the victim's name and knows his birth date – the ID is his.

Back in the office, Gibbs explains that Speers is his old undercover ID. McGee thinks it must have been unearthed by hackers since any hard copies would have been destroyed years ago.

In the garage, Abby tells Tony that "Speers" was talking on a burner phone when he was killed. There was also a very sophisticated GPS tracker planted in his car, the type used by government agencies.

In the morgue, Duckie got nothing from the victim's fingerprints.

Ellie and McGee check out the victim's apartment and find sports memorabilia and video games, like a teenage boy's apartment. They find his access card. They bust one of his neighbors, a day trader named Robbie Hale, at the door. He says Speers as been home a lot playing video games and listening to top 40 pop.

In the lab, Abby tells Gibbs the slugs that killed Speers don't match any weapons. His GPS shows he's been to NBA games, strip clubs and burger joints, plus a remote cabin.

Ellie and McGee head to the cabin. Ellie starts worrying about what would happen if she was undercover and the mark hit on her. They're steps away from the cabin when it explodes.

Later, with everyone on the scene, they find a melted computer and the bomb's trigger.

Back in the city, Gibbs meets with Homeland Senior Division Chief Tom Morrow, his old boss, at the diner. He says a woman named Michelle Stark built the Leland Speers cover ID, along with many others for the CIA. She retired recently.

Gibbs and Ellie pay a visit to Michelle Stark. She says the ID would be burned from everywhere except the CIA's classified files. It shouldn't be able to be retrieved.

Back at the office, Tony makes excuses on the phone to bail on Zoey. Her parents are in town and he's avoiding dinner. He's never met the parents before – other than when he was undercover.

McGee found that Speers was looking into a semi conductor called Gallium Nitride, which is used in the military.

Later, with Morrow in the office, Gibbs knows all about Gallium Nitride from the undercover investigation he was conducting as Speers. He posed as an IT guy.

Down in the lab, Abby and McGee tell Gibbs that Speers used Gibbs' old ID to get a job at Longview Technics, a research company that uses Gallium Nitride. Speers was stealing data.

They know the company won't want to allow access to their network, so Gibbs' suggests they go in undercover. Gibbs wants to send McGee, but Abby insists it's faster and easier to send Gibbs.

Later that night, with Abby and McGee watching on headsets in MTAC, Gibbs goes into the company. His ID badge doesn't work and he has to talk to the security guard. He ignores all the techno babble McGee feeds him and says his boss emailed him to come in. When the guard asks to see the email, Gibbs takes out his smashed smart phone and says his boss woke him up. The security guard laughs and punches in the code to let Gibbs up.

Up in the lab, McGee walks Gibbs through logging into the system and getting what they need. It takes four hours.

The next morning, McGee finds that's Speers used company software to transfer files. They get a location and the team busts down the door to an immaculate safe house with another dead body in the kitchen. There's mail addressed to Edgar Braun – Mike Franks' old cover ID.

Back at the office, Gibbs notices tattoo magazines among Speers' things and finds it odd, since he didn't have any. He order the team to find out everything they can on Miranda Fleming – but doesn't say who she is.

Down in the morgue, Gibbs finds ultraviolet tattoos on Speers' body, including one in Serbian.

Gibbs sits down with Michelle Stark and Morrow. Franks' used his ID back then to identify suspects they thought were trying to sell intel to the Serbians, but they never got anywhere. It can't be a coincidence that now they have two dead Serbians.

McGee interrupts with the Miranda Fleming file Gibbs asks for – it was Jenny Shepherd's old ID. He found Fleming, she has a ticket booked for Buenos Aires tomorrow. Her passport shows she's Michelle Stark.

In interrogation, Michelle tells Gibbs and Morrow that an attaché from the Serbian embassy approached her for backstopped IDs to get Gallium Nitride. She was resentful at being forced into mandatory age-related retirement. She figured the Nitride was so old, it wouldn't matter. She never met the agents, but their handler said Speers was getting sloppy. He was "going American."

They ask her to email the handler and tells them that Edgar Braun is on life support at a hospital and is expected to live.

Later, at the hospital, the team stakes out the hospital, with McGee as Braun. The fire alarm goes off. Ellie is in McGee's room when Speers' neighbor Robbie Hale comes in to inject him with something.

They take him in to custody.

Back in interrogation, Hale is claiming diplomatic immunity, even though he had a syringe full of heart attack-inducing drugs. Hale confessed and says the two victims finished their mission and were supposed to return home, but hadn't.

Gibbs confirms that Hale has no diplomatic immunity.

Gibbs sends Tony and McGee home. Ellie asks Gibbs if he'd ever ask her to do deep undercover work. Gibbs tells her to go home to her husband.

The Artful Dodger

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Guest Stars: Robert Wagner (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.), Patricia De Leon (Gloria Hernandez), Christopher B. Duncan (CIA Officer Dale Harris), Beverly Leech (Vice Admiral Janet Kleibor), John Kassir (Perry Swann), Sunkrish Bala (Sameer Aziz), Ben Cain (Cy White), BJ Mitchell (Malcolm White), Erik Audé (Man in a Blue Suit)
Production Code: 12017
Summary: After a Vice Admirals aide is murdered, Gibbs and the NCIS team theorize that it was because of a valuable painting in her office. DiNozzo's father is more than happy to help with the investigation by sharing his knowledge of the artwork.



At the Defense Logistics Agency late at night, a janitor shows his teen son the proper way to mop a floor and take pride in his work. They hear a crash. The dad sends his son to an office to lock himself in while he goes to investigate Lieutenant Dominic Pine's office. He finds Pine dead on the floor.

At NCIS, Tony is excited to leave work before midnight for the first time in two weeks. He had big bread making plans with Zoe. But Gibbs interrupts with the body of the week.

Pine was an aide to Vice Admiral Janet Kleibor and was killed in her office. Kleibor isn't answering calls. The janitor's son saw a blue sedan driving away.

Duckie arrives and announces that Pine was hit with something and then crashed through a coffee table. Ellie finds a gift wrapped fancy pen under a couch.

Gibbs takes pity on Tony and sends him home early. But his bread plans fail to rise when Tony returns home to find his dad, dejected, on his couch. His fiancée, Linda, left him.

Tony drags into work the next morning. His dad won't get out of his pjs. McGee suggests putting him to work to distract him.

Gibbs comes in for an update. The blue sedan had a key card to get out of the gate. Kleibor was at sea and will be calling soon.

Senior calls Tony, asking for nice paper to write a letter to Linda begging her to come back. Gibbs suggests giving him a project. Tony asks his dad to recaulk his tub.

Ellie and McGee talk to Pine's girlfriend Gloria Hernandez in the conference room. She and Pine had only been together four months, but she thought he was the one. She thinks there was something going on at his job.

In MTAC, Vice Admiral Kleibor tells Gibbs and Tony that she asked Pine to go to her office to pick up the pen as a gift for someone. She blames herself for his death.

Gibbs visits Abby in the lab, where she is sewing skull pajamas for Senior. She shows Gibbs that the "Chesapeake" painting of a ship on the wall was a fake and was hung after the murder – because it wasn't covered in blood spatter.

They think Pine wasn't the target and was just in the wrong place at the wrong time.

Senior wanders in, still in his pajamas. He hired someone from the hardware store to fix the tub, but now doesn't want to be alone. He recognizes the painting and offers his insight on the underground art world. Gibbs agrees.

Later, dressed in his suit again, Senior suggests they offer the thief a better deal than he already has. He's put out feelers to his contacts saying he's interested.

Gibbs visits Duckie in the morgue. Pine had two pins in his knees from a car accident as a child, in which he lost his family. The murder weapon had a rounded edge.

Senior and McGee pay a visit to Perry Swan, the art forger. Senior passes McGee off as his son, who he's told people is a catalog model.

Perry recognizes the gallery label on the back as one from a template he made. He agrees to track down the forger.

Palmer drops by the office and urges Tony to cut his dad some slack.

They get a hit on the alert for the car. A homeless man found the plates in a Dumpster. Ellie dives in and finds the painting frame and the murder weapon – a flashlight.

Back in the lab, Abby finds Pine's blood on the frame and blood from Brian Khosa, an undercover CIA agent who was killed in Pakistan last year.

Back in the office, it's victim rundown time for Khosa. He was deep undercover with a tech savy terror cell called Al Zalim, which has programmed radio frequency key cards in the past. The "Chesapeake" was in the embassy in Pakistan when Khosa was killed.

McGee brings Senior back to Tony's place. When Senior frets about Linda leaving, McGee gently suggests he stop conning people. Senior is aghast to learn that Tony is telling people he's a con artist.

Gibbs and Ellie meet with Khosa's boss, Agent Harris. He doesn't know much about the operation Khosa was working on, except that it was headed by Samir Aziz, who is still at large. They were breaking into the embassy to plant a device, but Khosa was made once he was inside and killed. They never found anything planted inside.

In the lab, Abby finds the terrorists planted a voice activated recording device that has to be accessed directly. The bug was in the painting.

It was in the Secretary of Defense's office for two months after the embassy.

Gibbs sends McGee and Tony to follow up with Perry the forger. When McGee tells Tony he let slip that Tony calls his dad a con artist, Tony can't get past the fact that McGee had a nice chat with his dad.

Perry tells them he got nowhere on the forger, but Tony finds McGee's number in the trash and deduces that Perry already knows who the forger is. Once he announces they're federal agents, Perry says the fake Chesapeake was done by Gloria Hernandez – Pine's girlfriend. Perry forwarded Senior's email to her.

Tony races home, but his dad is gone and there's a wine glass with lipstick on it. Gloria has Senior.

Back at the office, McGee goes through Hernandez's email. Abby matched Gloria's print to the murder weapon. McGee finds an email routed through Senegal inquiring about the painting from someone named "Smith". Abby recognizes that's where Al Zalim has their server farm. Abby finds that "Smith" is really the terrorist Aziz.

Tony gets a call from his dad at the Adams House, where Senior is carousing with Gloria. He doesn't believe Tony's warnings about Gloria until he sees the gun in her purse.

Senior smooth talks Gloria until Gibbs arrives, posing as Senior's accountant. Tony is urging Senior to get out of there, when Aziz walks in and joins Gloria. Gloria announces to Aziz and Senior that she's holding an auction for the painting. Aziz draws on Senior under the table and Gloria points out a man in the corner she says is covering her.

Gibbs tells a story about a friend (Tony) covering his dad's hotel bill out of love, as a set up to say the code word. Then the team springs into action, grabbing Aziz, disarming Gloria and determining the cover man is unarmed.

Later in the lab, Abby scans the painting looking for the recording device and finds it under a mound of paint. Gibbs turns it over to the CIA.

Later that night, Tony makes new plans for bread with Zoe. Senior announces he's off on another European art trip. Then he tells Tony that he's not a con artist, he's an entrepreneur, the different being that the latter believes in the dreams he's selling.

Status Update

Season 12
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Guest Stars: Ellen Hollman (NCIS Special Agent Tina Larsen), Margo Harshman (Delilah Fielding), Scott Speiser (HSI Special Agent Rafi Ali), Jay Ali (Omer Malik), Lane Garrison (Marine Gunnery Sergeant Holt Perkins), Chris Bert (John Dorn), Jed Rees (Voight Hex), Simon Rex (Scott Bleeker), Yaani King (Leandra Perkins), Michelle Pascarella (Mallory Bleeker), Chad Bennett (Homeland Security Agent #1), Bryan Boone (Homeland Security Agent #2), Charles Remley (Homeland Security Agent #3)
Production Code: 12018
Summary: McGee reunites with his girlfriend Delilah to investigate the death of a thief who is found dead in a marine's house. The probe reveals a clue to a terror group Delilah and the Department of Defense have been tracking from Dubai.



A woman comes from the hardware store and doesn't notice a man sneaking around her garage. He sneaks up on her when she gets off the phone and attacks.

At the office, Tony and Ellie bust McGee for flirting with Agent Tina Larson, even offering to let her stay with him while she apartment hunts. He insists it's innocent, but they note he's been away from Delilah for six months.

Gibbs interrupts with the body of the week at off-base housing.

The victim is slashed and bloody in the garage.

The house is registered to Holt Perkins, who arrives back from leave as the team is on the scene. But he starts saying "thank you" – the victim is not his wife.

He's never seen her before.

Inside, Perkins can tell someone has been staying in the house, but his wife Leandra is nowhere to be found. He told his wife he'd be back from leave in a week so he could surprise her. He finds his home gym cleaned out. Remembering the drill bits the victim had, they ask about Holt's safe.

In Abby's lab, she IDs the victim by her fingerprints as Mallory Bleeker, a convicted thief. She hadn't cracked the safe yet. They check Leandra Perkins' social network sites and find she's been at a health spa for the past four days. Previous posts mention her husband is on duty. The thief was staying in their empty house.

In the morgue, Duckie reports that Mallory was tabbed with a blunt knife. There was a piece of paper with a logo on it stuffed in her bra, probably put there post mortem.

Tony interviews Mallory's brother, Scott, a former accomplice. He says he hasn't talked to his sister in a year but insists he's out of crime. He gives a prostitute as his alibi.

Gibbs comes in and shows Scott the symbol on the paper. He insists he's never seen it. McGee watches from observation and recognizes it.

He calls Delilah in Dubai and confirms that they're tracking a terror group called Dragon's Tooth. As they're talking, Agent Larson interrupts asking for McGee's extra apartment key.

In MTAC, Delilah and her Homeland Security boss Rafi Ali brief NCIS. Dragon's Tooth uses social media to harass military members and their families. It's run by Omer Malik, a British citizen. Vance isn't impressed that they don't have more info and Ali ends the call abruptly. McGee is uneasy with how cozy Ali seemed with Delilah.

In the conference room, Holt blames Leandra for oversharing on their social networking page. They identify a friend on the list that neither recognizes.

McGee texts Delilah after not hearing from her all night. He found that Omer Malik is the cousin of Bashir Malik, who was an accomplice in the bombing that paralyzed Delilah, which she didn't mention.

Tony got one message from her about Agent Larson, but then nothing. He insists he cleared that up.

In the lab, Abby has connected the mystery friend on the list to Omer Malik. She found reference to a meeting taking place in less than an hour.

At the apartment, they intercept a pizza delivery guy and Ellie poses as him to get the man inside to open up. He says Malik is his roommate and he found him on Craigslist. He knows Malik is supposed to be meeting someone soon, but it hasn't happened yet.

The team waits until there's a knock on the door – it's Delilah and a bunch of armed ICE agents. She explains to Tim that Malik was meeting her deep cover alias. She's been in the States for a week.

Rafi Ali arrives and insists he was protecting his operation by not telling them. He continues being too friendly with Delilah.

Back at the office, McGee worries that something is going on with Delilah and Ali and Tony tries to convince McGee to give her some space.

Ali arrives and they gather in MTAC to watch home movies found in Malik's apartment. They're recordings of him breaking into empty houses and disturbing just enough to creep people out. Gibbs gets to work on IDing Malik's accomplice, whoever was holding his camera. Vance tells Ali that NCIS will handle the case.

When they're alone in MTAC, Ali assures McGee that he and Delilah were staying in separate rooms.

Downstairs, Ellie and Tony talk about the way social media is being used to recruit terrorists.

In the lab, Abby and McGee find the camera man touching the Perkins' banister. They trace his fingerprints and find it's the pizza delivery guy from outside Malik's apartment. He insists Malik found him online and he was only helping because it paid well. He says the Perkins house was supposed to be empty and Malik panicked when they saw the thief.

He offers them intel on Delilah's alias, saying that Malik was incredibly into recruiting her. Gibbs wants to use Delilah as bait. She finally calls McGee and he goes to see her. They start arguing about her keeping her orders from McGee. They both say they don't want to break up, but McGee says it sounds like they are.

There's a knock at the door. McGee answers – it's Malik holding a gun on him.

Gibbs calls McGee and gets his voice mail.

Rafi arrives at NCIS and is promptly hauled back into the elevator by Tony, Ellie and Gibbs, who demand he take them to the safehouse.

At the apartment, Malik has McGee and Delilah tied up on the floor. He wants to know if Delilah is really interested in selling him DOD secrets. With Malik out of earshot, McGee urges her to tell him what he wants to hear.

McGee and Delilah start fighting for Malik's benefit, but also hash out their own issues. "Why did you move half way around the world?" McGee asks. "Why did you let me?" "Because I love you," he says.

Malik buys it enough to crack McGee over the head and free Delilah. He gives her a gun, insisting that she shoot McGee to prove her allegiance.

As Malik holds a gun on her, McGee urges Delilah to pull the trigger, saying it's a test. She can't do it. McGee lectures her, saying the gun wasn't loaded, which is why he said it was a test.

Delilah reveal her plan, taking a knife out of her boot and stabbing Malik in the leg. He falls over McGee and drops his gun. McGee and Malik are scrambling for it when NCIS busts in.

After McGee is untied, he finally kisses Delilah a proper hello.

The next morning at NCIS, McGee is all smiles. Delilah joins them. Agent Ali was suspended for gross negligence. Delilah was promoted and she's moving back to DC.

Patience

Season 12
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Season Episode: 19

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Guest Stars: Lisa Banes (Ambassador Olivia Edmunds), Kathe Mazur (Navy Vice Admiral Dawn Tyson), A Martinez (Tomàs Orlando), Arturo del Puerto (Eddie "Collarbone" Rosario), Dan Thiel (Seal Team Commander Joe Hankos), Stephanie Fantauzzi (Lolita Cortes), Roxana Ortega (Doctor Susanna Soto), Ryan Carlberg (Navy Petty Officer First Class John Goode), Theresa June-Tao (Chrissy), Samantha Cope (Heather), Andrew Bongiorno (Navy Lieutenant Louis Freston)
Production Code: 12019
Summary: A petty officer's murder produces a lead in a 40-year-old airport bombing cold case that Gibbs and DiNozzo have been assigned to for the past two years. Meanwhile, McGee gets jealous that he was not previously involved in the case.



A prostitute gets into a car with a man who appears to be a john, but then it becomes clear that she knows him and is expecting him to protect her and her family. He's reassuring her she's safe when they're both shot to death is a hail of bullets.

Later on the scene, Tony shows up despite his plans to fly to Atlantic City with buddies at 2 p.m.

The man's ID says petty officer 2nd class Daniel Harvey, but they can't find any record of him. Back at the office, they ID the woman as Lolita Cortez, a Colombian native who returned from a two day

trip there last night.

Gibbs dismisses Tony, but as he's leaving Gibbs reports that the male victim's car was requisitioned for an operative called Lex Talionis. Tony stops in his tracks and he and Gibbs wordlessly head for MTAC with Vance, locking out McGee and Bishop.

Inside they talk to Vice Admiral Dawn Tyson at the Pentagon, who says she doesn't know of any recent activity on the operation.

Later, they loop in McGee and Bishop. The op relates back to an unsolved bombing at Metropolitan International Airport in 1979. Two years ago NCIS agents in Colombia recovered a bomb with DNA matching the airport bombing. Gibbs was put in charge because of his Colombia experience. The subject is Tomas Orlando, a 62-year-old drug kingpin. They've been trying to get a DNA sample from him for months.

Down in the garage, Abby is miffed she wasn't used to run the DNA. But she found fingerprints belonging to a pimp named Eddie Rosario in the victim's car.

Back in MTAC, Gibbs talks to Tyson and Olivia Edmunds, the Ambassador to Colombia. The victim was Louis Freston, an intelligence specialist. Lolita's relatives in Colombia knew where Orlando got his hair cut. Freston filed a report saying Olivia had the hair sample sewn into the lining of her purse. They have cell phone footage of a witness that shows Rosario reaching into the car and stealing the purse.

Meanwhile, they think they have an opportunity to take out Orlando, but have to confirm his DNA first.

Duckie reports to Gibbs that Lolita has a scratched off tattoo on her behind from her pimp. Ellie tracked the tattoo parlor where it was done.

Tony and McGee head to the tattoo parlor and McGee is grumpy about not being read into the op sooner. They find Rosario in the parlor and bring the DNA sample back to Abby.

They conference with Seal Team Commander Joe Hankos, leader of the team ready to kill Orlando. His father was killed in the airport attack.

Gibbs talks to Rosario in interrogation. He denies knowing anything about Orlando and only taking her purse because she was working his turf.

Abby interrupts with the news that Orlando's DNA matches the bombing.

Everyone heads to MTAC to watch the SEAL operation, but Orlando is nowhere to be found.

Hankos says the compound was cleaned out in a hurry and they're on Orlando's trail. They found an encrypted laptop and Gibbs suggests McGee and Abby head to an aircraft carrier halfway to Colombia to help crack it.

But first Abby reports finding Orlando's niece, a Dr. Susanna Soto who lives in Baltimore. She was born in the States and her parents were killed when she was seven. She has no obvious connections to Colombia. Gibbs sends Tony and Ellie into Soto's walk-in parenting class. Except when they get there, it turns out to be a couples intimacy class. Ellie tries to excuse herself to mirror Soto's computer, but Soto insists she sit down and hold Tony's hands and stare into his eyes.

Abby and McGee arrive on the aircraft carrier, where a petty officer John Goode says he's already cracked it. He recognizes Abby from when she dated someone he knew 11 years ago – when McGee and Abby were dating. Abby is busted but McGee assures her it's no big deal.

Tony and Ellie return to MTAC with Soto's files. They worry about sorting through them to find Orlando. But then Orlando shows up at NCIS seeking asylum.

In interrogation, Orlando claims to be a freedom fighter who only sells drugs to support his cause. He says he had nothing to do with the airport attack and is being set up. He says Lolita's family came to him for protection after she was killed and he realized he was he was being framed. He gives them a hair sample.

With Abby on the carrier, Duckie and Palmer test it.

Back in MTAC, Gibbs and Vance report to the ambassador that Orlando's DNA doesn't match the airport bomb.

From the ship, Abby joins the conference call to report that a key stroke logger shows someone was monitoring Orlando's laptop for week: Ambassador Edmunds. She bails on the call.

The military police catch her and bring her to NCIS where she asks Gibbs to make a deal. She says she was threatened into cooperating.

Cut to news reports about a drone strike on a compound belonging to Armand Luna, another drug lord in Colombia. His DNA was linked to the bombing.

No Good Deed

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Guest Stars: Robert Wagner (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.), Marisol Nichols (ATF Special Agent Zoé Keates), Myndy Crist (Jennifer Vickers), Randy Vasquez (ATF Special Agent Philip Caffey), Gill Gayle (Waylon), Octavius J. Johnson (Gary), Edward Edwards (Older Man), Alexandra Kyle (Emma Vickers)
Production Code: 12020
Summary: DiNozzo is partnered with his girlfriend ATF Special Agent Zoé Keates after evidence reveals that the murder weapon in an NCIS case was originally purchased for the controversial ATF sting operation "Operation Fast and Furious." Also, Anthony DiNozzo Sr. returns to town for a special dinner to meet his son's girlfriend.



We open with a roadside pick-up crew finding a dead motorcyclist by the side of the road.

DiNozzo's father is coming to town, and he claims to be happy that Anthony Sr. wants to meet Zoe.

The dead motorcyclist turns out to be Marine David Austin. He died of a broken neck, but a bullet wound to the chest caused the accident.

Anthony Sr. drops by the office, in town earlier than expected. They make plans for dinner that night with Zoe.

Abby finds a match for the slug pulled from Austin's chest. It matches a weapon purchased directly from the manufac-

turer by the ATF. It was part of the disastrous Fast and Furious operation that has planned to track weapons as they made their way to the Cartels. 1,300 of those guns, including the murder weapon, are still unaccounted for.

DiNozzo volunteers to help Zoe track the weapon as it made its way from Mexico to D.C.

Abby finds out that Austin was shot from a few feet away, likely from a car traveling at approximately the same speed. And not only was Austin's motorcycle almost out of gas, but he had passed a station just a few miles earlier.

Zoe and DiNozzo argue about how to handle the ATF agents they are interviewing.

It turns out that Austin swiped his credit card at the station, but never purchased any gas. Surveillance footage from the station shows that before buying gas Austin was distracted by a car, which he then proceeded to follow.

Dinner that night is a disaster. Anthony Sr. tries to make dinner by ends up setting a small fire in DiNozzo's kitchen. DiNozzo is furious and makes a point to say how happy he is that his father lives in New York.

Abby enhances the video from the gas station. We can see that a woman in the passenger seat mouthed "Help me" to Austin.

The car Austin chased was registered to a woman named Jennifer Vickers, though the woman in the car was not her.

Gibbs tells DiNozzo that Anthony Sr. crashed at his house the previous night. DiNozzo then tells Gibbs he no longer thinks she should be working with Zoe.

Zoe and Van have a video interview with an ATF agent who was part of the Arizona sting involving the weapons. He agrees to look into the serial number.

Gibbs and Bishop meet with Vickers. She tells them her daughter Emma was using the car. Emma has battled drug addiction for years and Vickers thinks she must be using again.

DiNozzo gets caught in lie with Zoe. The agent comes back with no information on the murder weapon, but DiNozzo doesn't buy it.

Anthony Sr. and Gibbs have a drink together. Anthony Sr. talks about getting older and wanting to be closer to his son.

Emma's body is found in an alley inside the car. She died earlier that evening.

Gibbs brings DiNozzo back to his place and tells him to work things out with his father. DiNozzo agrees to help him find an apartment in town.

Indications are that Emma died of a drug overdose. There are also signs of abuse. There is evidence somebody tried to wipe down the car. DNA from the assault kit returns a name, Jamie Rivers. Rivers has a history of assault and matches the description from the gas station. They also find a picture of Rivers being arrested by the very same ATF agent they've been working with.

Anthony Sr. tells his son that he's found an apartment in his building. DiNozzo is less than pleased.

The ATF agent tells them his agency cut Rivers a deal to work with them on *Fast and Furious*. Back then Rivers told the ATF the gun in question was still in Mexico, but clearly he lied.

Zoe's plan to find Rivers is to go through one of her local informants. He's been selling to drug dealers and has now become an addict himself. Zoe will set up a buy with Rivers.

Rivers shows up to the fake buy, but when he pulls a gun Gibbs is forced to shoot him.

DiNozzo and Zoe work out their differences and agree to give the relationship a chance. Both DiNozzo and Anthony Sr. agree that he shouldn't be living quite that close.

Lost in Translation

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Guest Stars: John D'Aquino (Witness Being Interviewed), Michael Marc Friedman (Gunnery Sgt. Joseph Wilkes), Gabeen Khan (Rasheed Naasir), Dale Pavinski (Marine Sergeant Stephen O'Neill), James Sayess (Armed Lookout), Rafi Silver (Qasim Naasir), Alanna Ubach (NSA Senior Intelligence Analyst Sofia Martinez)
Production Code: 12021
Summary: Gibbs and Bishop go to Afghanistan after the murder of a marine in Washington, D.C., is linked to a terror group that is holding another marine hostage overseas. Meanwhile, DiNozzo gets upset when he learns that McGee is the new face of NCIS on recruitment brochures.



A Marine, Joseph Wilkes, goes to wake up his captain at his house and sees him lying dead on the floor inside. After kicking down the door, a masked intruder attacks Wilkes with a baseball bat. Wilkes chokes his attacker until the attacker stabs him in the side with a knife and runs off.

At the office, Tony is peeved to learn that McGee has been chosen as the new face of NCIS — he's on the brochure.

Gibbs summons them to the crime scene. The victim was put in a stress position with rope, so any struggle by the victim only choked him more. He died early that morning. The victim is Marine

Captain David Landis, stationed at Quantico.

Tony and Bishop interview a witness who saw a young Middle Eastern man fleeing the scene.

Gibbs talks to Wilkes, who served two tours in Afghanistan with Landis. He blames himself for the killer getting away.

Gibbs visits Abby's lab, where she's trying to set a calm scene before telling Gibbs the fingerprints at the crime scene belong to Kaseem Nasir, a 21-year-old Afghani with ties to the Taliban.

Back in the office, McGee is standing proudly next to a life-sized cut-out of himself that's going to be displayed in every NCIS office. Palmer and Ellie lay the praise on thick until Tony can't take it anymore.

Gibbs shows up for the victim rundown. Landis' unit returned from Afghanistan eight months ago. Kaseem Nasir has an older brother named Rasheed who has claimed responsibility for more than 100 deaths for the Taliban.

In the morgue, Duckie reports that Landis was stabbed seven times with non-lethal wounds, meant to inflict pain. Duckie theorizes the lethal slice to his neck was inflicted when Wilkes arrives unexpected and that the killer hadn't achieved his goal in torturing Landis.

Tony and McGee track down Kaseem Nasir and find a tactical knife on him. Back in interrogation, Kassim pleads his innocence.

Bishop finds Gibbs and tells him she thinks Kaseem might be innocent. He and his brother didn't exist before 2011. They're Kaseem and Rasheed Matar, brothers who went missing after their parents were missing in 2008. Ellie thinks the Taliban took them in and forced them to follow their ideology, but Kaseem didn't go along.

Abby tells Gibbs that the knife isn't the murder weapon, and it belongs to Landis, who shows up to tell Gibbs that he and Wilkes snuck Kaseem into the country. "He's one of us," Landis says.

Landis shows the team footage of Kaseem trying to warn their Humvee to stop before it hit an IED. He pulled them to safety and watched over them until help arrived. He joined their unit as a translator. Landis and Wilkes snuck him into the country, fearing he'd be a target in Afghanistan. Gibbs warns him he'll face consequences.

Ellie gets a text from her NSA friend Martinez, who meets with Ellie to show her a bounty that Rasheed put out on Kaseem. They realize the killer was torturing Landis for information on Kaseem.

At NCIS, Kaseem tells Gibbs and Wilkes that the Taliban didn't kill his parents — his brother did. Wilkes gives Kaseem Landis' dog tags.

Vance calls Gibbs in to show him a video of Rasheed holding a Marine hostage, demanding Kaseem in exchange. Vance tells him the State Department has agreed.

Gibbs and Ellie accompany Kaseem on a military transport back to Afghanistan. Ellie assures Kaseem they won't let the deal go through. Ellie tells him about her 18 months stationed in Pakistan as an analyst. A coworker of hers was killed.

Back in Abby's lab, she tells McGee the murder weapon was a knife sold only to the US Military and private contractors.

In Afghanistan, Kaseem is greeted warmly by members of his old unit. The commander says turning over Kaseem isn't an option.

Back at NCIS, Tony and McGee are trying to narrow down the suspect list based on who had access to the knife. Tony realizes whoever attacked Landis wanted to follow their investigation to Kaseem and they focus on the eye witness, Ken Ashmore, with WingSpan security forces. He was in the Army until 2007 and WingSpan had such a bad reputation it was forced to shut down. He was stationed in Kabul.

They find the murder weapon in Ashmore's house with his prints on it. He says Landis was protecting a terrorist. But McGee found emails between Ashmore and Rasheed and a deposit of \$50,000. Ashmore denies knowing where Rasheed is but says his hostage is as good as dead and so is anyone who tries to stop him.

In Afghanistan, they get word that Kaseem has fled the base by himself — to turn himself over to his brother. They find the burned out Humvee nearby and a bullet proof vest with a bloody bullet wound to the shoulder.

Back in MTAC, McGee, Tony and Vance look at satellite imagery of a Taliban safe house. In Afganistan, Gibbs suggests Ellie drive in by herself because she'll arouse the least suspicion. She argues she's not trained for it, but Gibbs insists.

Ellie drives up to the compound claiming to be a doctor and quickly finds a gun in her face.

In the compound, Kaseem is alive, but bleeding from his bullet wound. The Marine hostage is badly beaten, but still alive. Ellie is brought in by Rasheed's men as a distraction, quickly followed by Gibbs and the Army unit. They kill Rasheed and take Kaseem and the hostage to safety.

Back at NCIS, Tony apologizes for not being more supportive of McGee as the new face of NCIS.

McGee confesses it was all an April Fool's joke. Tony can't be mad. "I've taught them well," he says.

In Afghanistan, Ellie commends Kaseem for his misplaced bravery. She and Gibbs break the news to Kaseem that his special immigrant visa came through — he'll be working as a translator for NCIS.

Troll (1)

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Guest Stars: Anil Kumar (Adem Korkmaz), Bernardo de Paula (Alfredo Montez), Erica Tazel (Basketball Coach), Jessica Garza (Layna), Heather Sosaman (Maggie), Jamie Bamber (NSA Attorney Jake Malloy), Cody Sullivan (Bradley Simek), Matt Jones (Agent Ned Dorneget), Marci Simon (Mrs. Simek), Ryan Sands (Captain)
Production Code: 12022
Summary: Special Agent Ned Dorneget from NCIS cyber operations assists the team when an ensign who worked in the Office of Naval Intelligence is murdered. Meanwhile, the team learn that Jake and Gibbs have become good friends.



A couple gets a late night slice of pie and the man's in the middle of proposing way too soon – their eleventh date – when a woman crashes into the diner with a wound in her neck.

At the office in the morning, Jake drops after carpooling with Ellie. Tony and McGee are jealous to learn that Jake and Gibbs talk almost daily.

Gibbs comes in with the body of the week.

At the crime scene, the victim has a slit throat. She's Navy ensign Janine Wilt but her whole file is classified. They find a Gordon Poly high school shirt in her car

and Ellie and Gibbs head there. She's a volunteer basketball coach who stayed after practice last night and left around 11 p.m.

She was a cyber warfare engineer with the office of naval intelligence. Her personnel file went dark two weeks ago.

At the office, Vance and Gibbs talk to her captain, who sings her praises. She was working on the Sword of Satan Colombian drug ring, she hacked their dark web and tapped their communications. The captain is sure they picked up every member of the cartel, but Gibbs isn't so sure.

Special Agent Ned Dorneget joins them from the cyber division to try to crack Wilt's laptop.

Down in the morgue, Duckie tells Gibbs that Wilt was cut with a wide blade and had the knife held to her throat before she was killed.

Ellie finds surveillance of Wilt's car running a red light at 11:42 p.m., before she was hurt.

Going through Wilt's emails, they find reference to Alfredo Montez, who did computer work for the cartel. They wonder if he went after Wilt when she made him look bad by cracking their network.

Tony and Ellie pick up Montez, who is surprised they didn't come to kill him. In interrogation, he's relieved they're legit. He clearly doesn't know who hacked his system.

Abby calls Gibbs down to the garage, where she found evidence someone was in Wilt's back-seat, holding a knife to her throat.

In the office, Dornegut finds that Wilt accessed a computer belonging to someone named Adem Faruk Korkmaz from her laptop.

McGee and Ellie head to Adem's suburban home where his typical teenage daughter answers the door. Adem, who is in the import-export business, says he didn't know Wilt and there's no way she had access to his computer. He won't let them look at his computer without a warrant, which McGee later fails to get from a judge because another agency has jurisdiction.

Vance gets word it's the NSA, using a FISA warrant to monitor Adem's dealings with Turkey. Ellie goes to her husband for information.

He tells her NSA has been monitoring Adem for months but he gets angry that she's asking him to reveal classified information. He thinks she's acting differently and she confesses that she shot a man in Kabul last week.

He can't believe she didn't tell him, but she throws it back in his face, saying they don't talk anymore. She's pretending she's fine, but she's not. She tries to leverage his sympathy for help on the current case.

The next morning, Ellie is in a foul mood. Tony and McGee notice when Jake comes in and is cool to Ellie and gets a glare from Gibbs. Gibbs and Jake head up to Vance's office, but Gibbs won't let Ellie come.

Gibbs is annoyed at Jake, who quickly reverses course and hands over Adem's SST drive. Dornegut and McGee find Adem is shipping and receiving tons of designer clothes. They find files protected by the same firewall Wilt used.

The only thing left is a deleted email account and list of screen names from a chat room.

When they go to see Adem in interrogation, he thinks they're interested in the designer hand-bag knock-offs he was buying. He doesn't know anything about the email account or chat room, but recognizes a screen name as belonging to his daughter Layna. She goes to Gordon Poly and is on the basketball team.

She comes in to talk to Gibbs and Ellie and her father encourages her to tell them everything. She admits using his computer to visit chat rooms, but says it got weird when people started asking if she knew her true calling, so she quit. Then she started getting weird messages from "crazy people" saying she needed a purpose in life. She went to Wilt for help and Wilt accessed the computer remotely to delete the email and block everyone.

Layna points out the screen names of the people who harassed her.

After examining tissue samples from Wilt's neck, Abby reports the murder weapon was likely an old Vietnamese bayonet. She has a list of collectors in the area and they match the name Peter Simek to one of chat room aliases used by Bradley Simek.

Tony and McGee head to the Simek house. There's a display case missing a bayonet. Brad is a teenager and his late father, Peter, who was in the military. They find a 3D computer in Brad's room but he races off in his mom's minivan.

Brad also attends Gordon Poly, but Layna doesn't know him. Duckie offers a profile on Brad, saying he was susceptible to being lured into a terrorist cause. Brad's father died of a heart attack three years ago but Brad still emailed him every week.

Duckie suggests Brad went after Wilt because she could expose him, to prove himself.

In the lab, Abby finds traces of gun powder on Brad's computer and a blueprint for a plastic detonator on Brad's computer. He has a bomb. They trace his phone. His mom calls him and tries to convince him to come home, but he hangs up. They figure out he's on a bus and try to reach the driver to tell him to pull over.

There is a mother with a baby in the back and dozens of people.

NCIS catches up to the bus. Brad grabs his detonator but NCIS hustles all the passengers off the bus as Brad hesitates. Gibbs gets on and aims at him, but then sees that Brad isn't prepared to go through with it and lowers his weapon. Brad insists he didn't kill Wilt and Gibbs calmly talks him through putting down his bag.

Brad is almost to the steps of the bus and ready to surrender when local police pull up and Brad gets spooked. Gibbs tries to keep him calm, telling him he's a good kid.

Then Gibbs can see he's lost Brad as Brad says: "No, I'm not."

Brad turns and runs to the back of the empty bus and detonates his bomb, knocking Gibbs to the ground in a fireball as it explodes.

To be continued. . .

The Lost Boys (2)

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Guest Stars: Jessica Garza (Layna), Boualem Hassaine (Egyptian Hotel Guest), Matt Jones (Agent Ned Dorneget), Lindsey Kraft (Sarah Goode), Anil Kumar (Adem Korkmaz), Adetokumboh M'Cormack (Matthew Rousseau), Babar Peerzada (Sadiq Samar), Jennifer Taylor (Wendy Harris), Adam Tsekhman (Egyptian G.I.D. Officer Omar Hassan), Daniel Zolghadri (Luke Harris), Sasha Alexander (Caitlin Todd), Lauren Holly (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard), Tim Kelleher (NCIS Special Agent Christopher Pacci), Darby Stanchfield (Shannon Gibbs), Muse Watson (Mike Franks)
Production Code: 12023
Summary: The NCIS cyber case turns into a united global effort after evidence confirms "The Calling", an international terrorist group that recruits children through the internet, has been purchasing S-bombs off the black market.



The episode began with Tim and Ellie going through the remains of the bus that was bombed when Brad Simek killed himself. They are both feeling guilty about not getting there in time and Ellie mentions that things could have been worse. Outside, Gibbs and Tony talk about what to do to move the case forward and catch the recruiter before Gibbs goes to see Ducky. His colleague noticed a burn pattern on Brad's arm that he thinks could have been a tattoo. Gibbs is distracted, though, when he sees a young boy looking at him. However, before he can go over to him, the kid runs off.

Back in the NCIS building, Dorneget is standing outside of MTAC when Tim and Tony come up to him. They tease him about being nervous about going into MTAC for the first time, which can be daunting. Dorneget tells them he is just getting into character for his alter ego that works well under pressure. Tim jokes that he could be Sasha Fierce and Beyonce but Dorneget claims he thought of himself as Clark Kent and Superman before telling them he is Gilroy Libbs. He goes into MTAC easily.

Inside, Dorneget, Vance, Gibbs, and Tim talk to foreign dignitaries about the case. They discover a group known as The Calling is using cyber techniques to recruit children into terrorism.

There is a man named Matthew Rousseau in France they are trying to find who is believed to be part of the group since he runs communication with the terror cell there. The team also finds out that they are looking for S-mines on the black market.

Gibbs and Abby talk about the case and she tells him about S-mines, which are deadly and can't be easily found. She tells him that they would need a "scary friend" who knows where to get them and Gibbs has one himself. He goes to talk to Agah Bayar, the DIA agent he has dealt with in the past. He asks for help finding information on the S-mines and who is looking for them. Bayar agrees to help and asks which of them is making a deal with the devil.

Ducky, Gibbs, and Abby are in Ducky's lab, where Ducky and Abby are jamming to Abby's music. Eventually, Ducky tells Gibbs the markings on Brad's body are not a tattoo, but something written in permanent marker. He found they matched a man named Randall White, who was part of the group attempting to assassinate the Imam from several episodes prior. Just like Simek, they also had weapons that were printed off of a 3-D printer. The terror cell that recruited White and his two accomplices is connected to The Calling. They can't talk to Kyle Nasry since he is dead so they decide to bring in Sarah Goode.

Vance tells Dorneget and Tim they have been selected to be part of a think tank in Cairo, Egypt to work on finding Michael Rousseau. Dorneget is very excited and when Gibbs comes in, he goes to shake his hand, but ends up knocking some pens over from Vance's desk. Dorneget then leaves and Tim follows so they can get ready to go. Gibbs learns from Vance that DIA heard about the deal he made with Agah and shut it down.

Sarah Goode is in interrogation with Ellie and Tony. She willingly gives them some information, including that they are looking for Sadiq Samar, who is on the list of user names that they show her. He had broken off of the cell she had been a part of in Syria to join The Calling. She is willing to do what she can to stop them. After she identifies him, Goode tells them to make sure to "end him."

Tony, Gibbs, and Ellie track down Samir based on a building he had put money down for under an alias. They leave to investigate the building and inside, they find a bayonet that could have been their murder weapon that killed Ensign Wilt. When they arrive, Gibbs finds the boy from earlier hiding and holding a gun. He slowly walks toward him and is able to take the gun from the kid. Ellie puts flex cuffs on the kid's wrists.

Gibbs talks to the kid in the interview room while a social worker watches. However, the kid refuses to talk to him. Eventually, Gibbs leaves and finds out the kid, Luke Harris, was born to Iraqi parents before he was put up for adoption. Tony and Ellie read from a script Abby gave them to report findings she found on Luke's laptop that she is unable to give Gibbs herself. They tell Gibbs there were numerous chat rooms being used since Samar would vacate one and use another, making sure to delete the old one. They find out from the chat that Luke found out about the bus bombing afterwards, which is why he went there.

Later, Abby talks to Gibbs about someone she knows who works with historical documents and found out the building that Samar bought had a bunker that could be used for storage. She makes it clear she wants to go when she pulls out Poppy, her parasol that she uses whenever she leaves the building.

Tim and Dorneget go to Cairo and meet up with one of the dignitaries they spoke to in MTAC. Their first meeting with Interpol is an hour from then. They find out that Michael Rousseau was captured and he needs an escort back to the United States since he faces bombing charges. Tim volunteers to go talk to him while Dorneget stays behind at the hotel for the Interpol meeting.

Tony and Ellie are investigating the bunker as Abby asks them what was going on. They go inside a secret room where they find evidence of a test bombing, complete with shrapnel and mannequins ripped apart. Eventually, they find a ripped up diagram Samar had made and it looks like it was used for bombs. He was trying to figure out how to connect them, but are now wondering where they are.

Gibbs goes to talk to Luke's adoptive parents. They reveal that their son had been a normal, happy kid, but then something happened and he changed. Kids at school had apparently given him a hard time when they found out he was originally from Iraq. Luke's mother asks Gibbs to bring her son back as Gibbs holds a baseball glove that belonged to Luke.

Gibbs is at his house with Luke, who is barely touching his food. He gets Luke to put his milk away before telling him a story about his daughter, Kelly. She had once taken his favorite pocket knife without asking and carved her initials in his cabinet. When the knife was lost, he scolded

her just like any parent would. Luke is only barely listening before he tries to run out. He tells Gibbs to just end his life because he is "nothing."

Vance, Gibbs, and Tony are talking about the bombs Samar had put together. There were eight total and two were detonated using a trip wire in the bunker and another six are missing but linked to wifi so they can easily go off. They need Luke to talk about Samar. In order to get Agah's help, Gibbs has a plan to blackmail him.

Tony and Ellie talk to Agah, who is only interested in talking to Ellie. They ask for his help, but blackmail him by attempting to use his mother. Bayar is angry and tells them that he would have helped without blackmail and that babies should never be used for wars.

Ducky gives Gibbs a psychological profile of Luke based on what he has found out about the boy. While Luke has those dark thoughts in his head, there is still some of his old self in him. Ducky tells Gibbs one of the things The Calling does is make their targets disown those who love them. Luke had started a suicide note, but then couldn't finish it.

Gibbs takes the unfinished note to Luke and tells him to finish it so they can show his parents. However, Luke doesn't want to because deep down, he loves his parents. Eventually, he asks Gibbs to take him home and says he will talk about Samar.

Down in the lab, Abby and Ellie talk as they watch a chat room by Samar. Abby learns Samar had told Luke to stay in the bunker where he was found, likely so he could kill the team. They find out that the chat room is talking about Luke and how he was a traitor. They are planning to show him what happens to traitors.

Gibbs arrives at the parents' house, only to find the door open. He orders Luke to stay in the car and goes inside. He makes the discovery that both the mother and father are dead. Before he can do anything, Luke comes in and screams when he sees his parents are dead.

Tim is in the middle of interrogating Matthew, who doesn't say much and tells Tim he is not asking the right questions since he is focusing on the United States. But when he begins talking about the fact that Tim is missing their big party at the hotel, Tim reaches the horrifying conclusion that the bomb is at the party. He calls for a phone and immediately contacts Dorneget.

As he listens to Tim talking about the bombs, Dorneget looks stunned before he begins an evacuation. He rushes people along and then once the place is mostly empty, he notices a red trip wire line near one of the steps. He looks up and sees a man looking at him before walking away. Before he can do anything else, another man accidentally walks across the red line, causing six bombs to come out into the air. Dorneget whirls around in shock just as the bombs explode, causing him to fall to the ground with wounds on his face.

In the squad room, Tony and Ellie are trying to get information on Dorneget while Gibbs impatiently waits. For now, they know Dorneget was rushed to the hospital. But within a few minutes, Ellie gets the news that Dorneget has passed away. Gibbs is upset, as he wants to find out who is running this operation. They decide to set up a meeting with Bayar.

Tony talks to Bayar, who won't give information until Ellie joins them. When she arrives and they begin talking, where Bayar informs them that other attacks are being orchestrated, a car speeds by and someone begins shooting, wounding Bayar.

Vance and Gibbs talk about Dorneget. Gibbs is distracted when he sees a pen on the floor, which Dorneget had dropped the last time he saw the man. SecNav confirmed to Vance that Dorneget saved lives and would have wanted Gibbs to be informed. Dorneget's mother won't arrive in time to see his body home, so Gibbs says the team will go.

The team arrives at the airstrip to welcome Dorneget's body home. Tim walks off the plane and stands beside Abby. As the casket is being taken to the hearse, Gibbs sees visions of agents they have lost before, including Paula Cassidy, Kate Todd, Mike Franks, Dorneget, Jenny Shepard, and Christopher Pacci. A car pulls up and a woman walks out. She touches Ned's casket before Vance introduces her as CIA officer Joanne Teague, Dorneget's mother. She tells them they need to find the killers who murdered her son.

Neverland (1)

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Guest Stars: Toni French (Iraqi Civilian), Anthony Keyvan (Elan Ghorbani), Adetokunboh M'Cormack (Matthew Rousseau), Babar Peerzada (Sadiq Samar), Mimi Rogers (CIA Officer Joanna Teague), Doug Simpson (Roger Dietz), Alan Trujillo (Iraqi Civilian), Adam Tsekman (Egyptian G.I.D. Officer Omar Hassan), Daniel Zolghadri (Luke Harris)
Production Code: 12024
Summary: NCIS feverishly investigates a global terrorist group that is recruiting teens via the Internet, following a deadly bombing overseas that resulted in an emotional and surprising loss for the team.



When the episode opened, Joanna Teague, the CIA officer who is also Ned's mother, is torturing Sadiq Samar in an effort to find out where Luke is. When he gives the boy's location, she makes a phone call to Gibbs to tell him she knows where the boy has been taken.

The episode brings us back hours earlier as Joanna is in Vance's office with both the director and Gibbs. She wants to be read in on their case so she can help find the people who killed her son. They tell her Ned always wanted to be seen as being a capable agent in his own right and no one besides the two of them knew

about his family lineage. Joanna talks about her son and begins to tear up slightly before composing herself. After telling Gibbs Ned always talked about his rules, he brings up number 10, which is never to be personally involved in a case. Despite this, she still does not back down.

Down in the bullpen, Tony and Tim are watching the director's office before they discuss the case with Ellie. They know Sadiq and Rousseau are the face of The Calling and they need to find out who ranks on the next level. We learn that Sadiq handled the bomb that was found in Egypt and Matthew Rousseau had admitted the involvement. After Tim talks, Tony pats his back and tells him they are glad he is back with them.

Joanna comes down to meet the team. Ellie gives her condolences and when Tim speaks, his guilt is evidenced as he tells her he shouldn't have left her son. Joanna dismisses this, telling him they all did their jobs they had to do. She meets Tony, who is surprised when he finds out that Ned thought highly of his relationship with his father. Gibbs comes down and receives a call from Ducky. He tells Joanna, who steels herself.

Down in the morgue, Joanna prepares herself to see her son's body, which is still in the body bag. Ducky opens it and Joanna says goodbye to her son. While they are down there, Gibbs also hears Mike's ghost, asking how many more agents will die.

She asks about seeing the bomb fragments that are in his body and Gibbs tells Ducky it's fine, even though he wants to do the autopsy first. Jimmy is also there and he gives Joanna his condolences. Ducky pulls a Titanium ball bearing from Ned's neck. Joanna thinks they might be able to track down the ball bearings. Gibbs has someone he can contact.

The team tells Gibbs a blond man was seen at the hotel during the time of the bombing. There was also security camera footage of Sadiq at that same hotel a month prior. They also have evidence showing he came to Virginia, which was when Janine Wilt was killed. Gibbs' contact, Pavlenko, had discovered the ball bearings came from an aerospace facility that was purchased by a dummy corporation. The facility, Bianca Aviation, had the ball bearings and Roger Dietz signed for it.

Gibbs meets up with Luke, who is wearing headphones as Paula sits nearby. Luke appears to be feeling guilty that people are dead because of him. He doesn't appear to say much as Gibbs tries to console him. Luke tells Gibbs he might know how to show him who shot his parents.

In Abby's lab, she has a stuffed giraffe known as Safari Sandy that came from Luke's room. It has a nanny cam inside it and caught the entire murder of Luke's parents. Gibbs watches the video.

In the interview room, Joanna is looking at a photo of herself and Ned. She cries softly before Luke comes in with Paula, having forgotten his homework. When he realizes her son is the agent who was killed, Luke says everything is his fault. Joanna asks if he can help her catch who did it, Luke goes quiet before leaving.

Tony and Ellie go to talk to Roger Dietz, who denies knowing anything about selling his ball bearings to Sadiq. However, they have evidence that shows the transaction. Dietz appears nervous and tries to say their inventory is accounted for and that they won't find anything. Tony begs to differ.

Gibbs interrogates Matthew Rousseau about the ball bearings and the dummy corporation. However, Rousseau is not helpful. Gibbs asks why they are recruiting children and Rousseau comments that they can be shown the way to rise up. Mike's ghost tells Gibbs to "break" Rousseau. Then Rousseau cryptically asks about the time in Arizona. Gibbs gets a call from Tim to inform him there was a bombing in the Grand Canyon.

In the bullpen, the team is gathering information about the bombing. Tony tells them there was one fatality and a few injuries. Two busses full of tourists were just minutes away from being at the spot where the bombing occurred. Ellie finds confirmation that Dietz had records indicating he was in contact with Sadiq. They determined the phone was left near a college campus. Gibbs tells Tony and Ellie to go find Sadiq. Tim finds information that Ned had been unable to finish working on when he died. It is loud music that is apparently being used by The Calling to give to the recruits.

Tony and Ellie are looking around trying to see if anyone knows Sadiq. They see one boy listening to music and stop him to talk. He looks like he is younger than a college student and when they show a picture of Sadiq, he runs away.

Joanna, Gibbs, and Luke are out for breakfast. Mike's ghost is still present, reminding Gibbs to be careful since Luke is not a good kid anymore. Luke is not very responsive as he listens to music on his headphones. Joanna tries to ask if she can hear his music, but he ignores her. He asks to go back to Gibbs' house and as he walks off, Joanna stops Gibbs to tell him that Luke is "playing him." Mike's ghost also tells Gibbs that she didn't forget rule 36, which is about feeling like you are being played.

The boy from earlier, Elan, knocks on a door and Sadiq answers. He tells Sadiq that people are looking for him. They talk about getting Luke so they can leave for Iraq.

In Abby's lab, Tim walks in to see her listening to the music on her headphones. She tells him the music is horrible and that when she broke up the layers on the track, she found a particular beat that sounded like it was in Morse Code.

The team decodes a song found on Brad Simek's computer and the message has the phrase "Prove what you can do," which is what was sent to him before he blew himself up. Vance asks Gibbs where Luke is, who informs him security and child services has him. He tells Tim they need to go to MTAC.

In MTAC, they speak with Commissioner Girard from France, who Ned had helped to rescue before his death. She tells Joanna about her son's bravery and we learn that they know each other. She tells them that kids are now being sent video games that have a message once you win the crown at the end. Ned was going to be asked to play it, but she tells them he had said Tim was good at video games and calls him "Elf Lord." Tim makes a comment about his mother saying he'd never get paid to play video games and agrees to try out the game.

Elan shows up at Gibbs' house and knocks on the door. Paula answers, but doesn't want to let him in, and is confused about how he found the house. Luke watches from the stairs.

Gibbs and Joanna talk in the elevator as Mike's ghost appears once again. Joanna is lamenting on how they are chasing so many people and it's hard to know who they are trying to catch anymore. The elevator stops and Ellie is standing there when it opens. She tells them something happened at Gibbs' house.

Gibbs and Ellie go to his house, where Paula is on the couch with a head injury. Luke is gone and Ellie describes the kid she saw with Tony. They realize the kid has him. Gibbs leaves and tells Joanna to "say it" but she is quiet as her phone beeps.

In Vance's office, we learn that Joanna is doing undercover work for the CIA against The Calling. Vance is worried her work with NCIS could disrupt her cover, but she still wants to remain on the case to catch Sadiq. She is sure she can handle it, but tells him he is welcome to call her boss. But she also makes it clear if he does, then they could lose Sadiq and Luke. When she leaves, he picks up his phone.

Gibbs is standing in the morgue staring at Ned's body. Mike's ghost comes back to him and Gibbs asks why he has shown up. Mike remarks he is so busy trying to save other people and questions who will save Gibbs.

The next scene takes viewers back to what happened at the beginning of the episode after Joanna called Gibbs. There is a knock on the door and Gibbs is standing there, looking less than thrilled to see Sadiq tortured. Gibbs talks to Joanna in the small space, not happy she used her CIA intel for herself. Joanna points out that he killed people and Gibbs tells her he cares more about his agent he lost. They ask why Luke was taken and Sadiq reveals because they had him "in custody." Joanna and Gibbs realize that Luke could possibly give them information on the team members since they had been around him. Joanna tells Gibbs Luke is in Zakho.

Gibbs calls Tim and asks him to look for Daniel Budd, who is the leader of The Calling. Tim asks his boss where he is and is stunned to find out he has Sadiq in custody. The team finds out Daniel Budd had once been a DJ, which is likely where the music had come from, before he got into terrorism. An informant of Ellie sends her a test that they identified Luke in Zakho, so Joanna, Gibbs, and Tony all head down there.

In Zakho, Joanna tells them a group of kids from Western countries were found in the area and taken to different locations. Gibbs splits up from Tony and Joanna when he sees a suspicious young girl. Back at NCIS, Vance interrogates Sadiq, who appears to know Vance is a great interrogator. He shows Sadiq photos of his victims, but gets no reaction. Vance asks about targets and Sadiq makes a cryptic comment about older people sitting on their benches. He tells Vance age is the enemy.

In Zakho, they are still trying to track the girl when Gibbs suggests they split up.

Tim is trying to finish the game as Ellie and Abby look on. Eventually, he wins the crown and images of different targets appear on the screen. Ellie realizes they have kids on the inside and Luke could still be with The Calling. Vance rushes in and asks where all the Supreme Court justices are. They are apparently on their way to a retreat and Vance orders them to put security measures in place.

Gibbs goes up to the girl he followed and tells her she shouldn't be there alone. She looks at him with an evil glint as she tells him her new friends told her to walk around. Nearby, Tony gets a call on his phone. It is Daniel Budd and Tony looks around, trying to see where he could be. Joanna gets stuck when people end up crowding her. As Budd taunts Tony, Gibbs sees Elan and turns to see Luke standing there with a gun. Tony listens to Daniel tell him that Luke is only a kid just as Luke pulls the trigger before Gibbs can pull his weapon. Tony can only watch in stunned horror as Luke shoots Gibbs twice, once in the leg and once in the chest. Gibbs collapses as Luke walks past him.

Season Thirteen

Stop the Bleeding (2)

Season 13
Episode Number: 283
Season Episode: 1

Originally aired: Tuesday September 22, 2015
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Guest Stars: David Andrews (U.S. Secretary of Defense Errol Coyne), Mila Brener (Kelly Gibbs), Jon Cryer (Dr. Cyril Taft), Hector Hugo (Navy Commander Lewis Dacey), Jim Lau (Vendor), Kenny Leu (CIA Officer Kenny Young), Adetokunbo M'Cormack (Matthew Rousseau), Giles Matthey (Daniel Budd), Donnabella Mortel (Navy Corpsman), Katie Roberts (Navy Surgical Tech Ensign Joni Ryan), Mimi Rogers (CIA Officer Joanna Teague), Kent Shocknek (Guy Ross), Muse Watson (Mike Franks), Daniel Zolghadri (Luke Harris)
Production Code: 13001
Summary: Gibbs fights for his life after being shot by Luke. Meanwhile, Agent DiNozzo and Johanna travel to Egypt to take down The Calling



Luke Harris was the young man that Agent Gibbs had befriended last season. That kid had nearly set off a bomb for a secret terrorist cell merely on their say so yet Gibbs was the only one that was willing to overlook that in order to get Luke the help he actually needed. And at the time he was sure Luke would get the help he needed behind bars.

Not because he wasn't dangerous but Gibbs felt that with a second chance Luke might just be able to turn his life around.

Gibbs had seen a kid that desired a way out and so he became the kid's only friend. He took him in, he bonded with him, and he had even tried to protect Luke from retaliation from the Calling.

But on last season's finale it was the same the kid, the one that Gibbs had so valiantly fought for, that betrayed them all by returning to the Calling and following their orders. And when they commanded him to shoot Gibbs — he did.

Luke shot Gibbs twice. One in the leg and once in the chest. And it was that chest wound that had Gibbs lying between life and death. Which was a problem for his unit!

Gibbs had immediately been transferred to the USS Daniel Webster following the shooting and a Dr. Taft had taken over his care. So while Gibbs was fighting for his life and seeing far too much of the family that he had lost, the rest of unit was forced back out into the field. Director Vance had demanded that Agent DiNozzo and CIA Officer Joanna Teague (mother of the murdered NCIS

Special Agent Ned Dorneget) return to Iraq. He said the Calling was still within their grasp and that Gibbs would want them to finally dismantle The Calling.

So those two weren't around when Gibbs came to and, admittedly, they lucked out. Because although Gibbs returned to work, Director Vance decided to be cautious with his agent and he had him put on administrative leave. Meaning Gibbs was going to be bound to desk until Dr. Taft gave Vance the all-clear.

And there's nothing worse than caged Gibbs.

He wanted to be back out there doing something and it was killing him that the Calling had managed to invade authorities in Iraq and was reportedly in Shanghai. So he tried to contact DiNozzo yet he was put off. DiNozzo told him "Rule 45". It means to clean up your own mess. And DiNozzo was still blaming himself from getting distracted in Iraq and not coming to Gibbs's aid fast enough.

But there was no way Gibbs was actually going to sit a fight out. And not long after the call with DiNozzo, he approached Matthew Rousseau. So far Matthew is the only member of the Calling still in custody and Gibbs wanted to know how much he knew about his leader's end game.

Only Matthew didn't want to be forthcoming. And that was even after he somehow got a pen stuck in his hand. So Gibbs might have gone too far but he was doing it for a good cause.

Though, no one knew the extent of how much they needed information until they all got called in by Director Vance. Vance had been notified by the US Secretary of Defense about a North Korean warship that just happened to be in nearby waters and apparently this concerns NCIS.

It seems someone has been using Dorneget's laptop to send messages to North Koreans and it was up to Agent McGee to figure out what those message were. However, right before his country started World War 3, he realized something. He knew no one had been sending messages at all.

Instead a hacker had made it look like message were being sent meanwhile they were using Dorneget's computer to infiltrate the US Defense System. And once they were in they then made it appear that a North Korean ship was on the verge of attacking. So McGee find did stop a war and more importantly it stopped Daniel Budd.

DiNozzo eventually caught up to Luke and the kid was so distraught about what he did to Gibbs — he told the agents everything. Including the fact that Daniel was never a real terrorist. The Calling had been a front for Daniel but the whole scheme to his bombings was simply to show off his skills in order to entice the Chinese into buying his services.

So the US didn't fall for his North Korean trick and over in Shanghai Luke led DiNozzo to Daniel.

And though he could have chosen a different path, DiNozzo ended up shooting Daniel twice. Once in the leg and once in the chest.

Personal Day

Season 13
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Season Episode: 2

Originally aired: Tuesday September 29, 2015
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Guest Stars: Darin Cooper (Roy Evans), John Gabriel (DEA Special Agent Luis 'Mitch' Mitchell), Myles Grier (Startled Man), Robert Knepper (Benson Long), Billy Lush (Fisher Hyland), Nefetari Spencer (Realtor)
Production Code: 13002
Summary: NCIS assists a DEA agent on a drug-running case that keeps going cold, after Gibbs agrees to help a friend who shares a tragic past. Meanwhile, the team gossip about Gibbs' new look after he replaces his standard military haircut and polo shirt with a modern cut and tailored dress shirt.



Gibbs was suddenly a changed man on tonight's episode. And it looks like it was the shooting that finally made him let go of some of his old ways.

Apparently coming close to death can do that to a person. Though who knew Gibbs would have ever fall for it much less buy into the whole life changing moment? If anything he would have been just the man to have willing (and condescendingly) smirked at others for wanting to abruptly change their lives. And yet no could deny the facts — Gibbs was changing.

And there was a reason for that.

On this season of "NCIS", Gibbs had realized that it was time to move on. And in his case that meant looking past more than just his recent shooting. Even if it had played a part in his new demeanor.

See, Gibbs had seen his family during surgery. Now that could have been the drugs he was on but simply envisioning them had reminded our beloved Gibbs about what he had and that neither his late wife nor dearly departed daughter would have wanted him to close himself off from rest of the world. So Gibbs set out to change and, funnily, he began this new outlook with a new wardrobe.

He got rid of the polo shirts and started to wear good old fashion button-downs. And he also got rid of the old hairstyle. So you could say he brought into the 21st century.

But on a much more serious note, Gibbs was taken some odd chances at work. A DEA agent needed some help in gaining enough evidence to finally take down a drug cartel he's been after

and for some reason Gibbs made that a NCIS job. So that didn't really make a lot of sense. That wasn't their field of expertise and DiNozzo for one wanted to know why his boss was taking such risks.

DiNozzo had been benched at the outset of the job and so he had an outside view of their situation. And one of the first things he noticed was that Gibbs was going out of his way to help DEA Agent Luis Mitchell. So DiNozzo looked into Luis and surprisingly he found out Luis was the son of the late NCIS Agent Kurt Mitchell. Kurt being the agent that died trying to protect Gibbs's family.

So right away he noticed the danger because Gibbs had, ironically enough, been the one to warn him about making things personal.

By making it personal, things get messy. And that's not something DiNozzo wanted to happen on this case. The drug cartel they were investigating was run by Benson Long. A notorious and deangerous skilled criminal. Yet a criminal that had still managed to get away each and everytime someone attempts to look into his dealings.

So no one could afford to make mistakes involving this man. Especially when Long is known for hiring out ex-military in order to fill in his ranks.

And so DiNozzo did what he felt he had to. He tried to get someone else to take Luis's case and that plan would have worked if Gibbs hadn't shut it down. So DiNozzo was then stuck. He knew his boss was too close to be objective and he couldn't keep the other man's secret.

That's why he told his partners. Bishop and McGee were shocked about Luis's and Gibbs's connection. More so Bishop because she never got the full story about what happened to Gibbs's family. So she looked into her boss's file and she found out that Shannon and her daughter were witnesses to a murder. And then later moved to a safe house by Agent Mitchell for their protection.

Mitchell eventually died trying to protect them and the ladies died not long after him because of a nasty car crash. But what the guys didn't know, and that Bishop ended up informing them about, was that the man that had put out a hit was Long. Long had controlled the area at the time and it was his man that would have gotten locked up if the Gibbs women had survived long enough to testify.

So it was personal for both Gibbs and Luis. And Gibbs wasn't merely protecting Luis, the men were in bringing down Long together.

Yet when they kept missing their opportunity, Luis almost took matters into his own hands. He went over to Long's and he was planning on killing the man that was responsible for the death of his father. And it was only fortunate that Gibbs was there before he could make a mistake.

See, Gibbs talked Luis down and in the end they were still able to get Long because the other man just didn't know when to stop talking.

He thought because they were in his house illegally that it wouldn't matter if he did confess to murder. Not with what he had on them anyway. And he was right. If it was only them that heard then there's no way that two men that tried to kill him would have considered great or even good witnesses. But, luckily, McGee had planted a listening device and got a recording of Long confessing to murder.

So Long got himself caught.

And the families he hurt finally received closure.

Incognito

Season 13
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Season Episode: 3

Originally aired: Tuesday October 6, 2015
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Director: James Whitmore, Jr.
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Guest Stars: Gabriel Hogan (Commander Pete Grady), Stephanie Koenig (Lauren Hudson), Demetrius Joyette (Guest Star), Elyse Mirto (Guest Star), Kai Nuuhiwa (Marine), George Wyner (Guest Star), Bart Johnson (Dean Hudson), Jason E. Kelley (Master Sergeant Dylan), Krys Marshall (Suzy), Blaine Miller (Marine Private First Class Patrick Wigg)
Production Code: 13003
Summary: Hours after calling Gibbs about a possible case, a Marine is found dead in Quantico; McGee and Bishop pose as a married couple.



Earlier, a friend of Gibbs had called him about a possible case. However that friend was Major Newton and the reason that name sounds familiar is because he once worked with the NCIS on a prior case and eventually they found their suspect.

But, at the time, Newton swore there was accomplice and so over the years the gang has gotten quite few phone calls from him about some theory or another involving said accomplice. And none of those theories of his have ever panned out. So it would be kinder to say that Newton had become sort of a Chicken Lit-

tle around the office.

He would claim he found a lead and he automatically would bring it to the NCIS to investigate.

Though Gibbs never held that against Newton and he appeared to be one of the few people left to take Newton seriously. So when Newton called again, Gibbs and Anthony went out to Quantico where Newton was recently teaching Military Law Enforcement. And it was their intent to investigate whatever theory he came up with.

Unfortunately, however, the guys never got the chance to interview Newton much less find out who he was investigating. Newton's body had been found in the nearby ravine and it had looked like he died shortly after his call to Gibbs. And the only things he had on him was his VOQ room card, cellphone, and a bracelet.

And so Newton's death naturally raised a couple of flags. Thus Gibbs didn't have a choice about what he upon hearing about his friend. Gibbs quickly stepped in and proclaimed the crime scene to be under NCIS's jurisdiction. Because while the officers at the scene initially believed Newton's death was an accident, Gibbs had a gut feeling that Newton's recent investigation was what brought about his death.

See the case that just never went away was an armory theft. And Newton felt that if they didn't catch the accomplice then a second robbery was bound to happen.

Yet he hadn't given his friends a lot to work with. He simply arranged for them to meet up following the call and, when that didn't happen, the team had to go searching through his items. And what they found was a plastic knife. Newton had taken a knife from the Quantico cafeteria and he had wrapped in a napkin before placing it in an envelope.

So DiNozzo theorized that maybe the envelope had been for Gibbs. After all Abby ran the necessary tests on the knife and found a fingerprint matching a Lauren Hudson. Lauren being the civilian wife of Marine Lieutenant Dean Hudson.

And although nothing seemed to be standing with those two, Gibbs felt there were holding back when he questioned them about Newton.

Hence, Bishop and McGee were chosen to go in undercover as a married couple in order to get the dibbs on the Hudson. And there was slight hitch with that plan. Bishop was currently angry at McGee when they got that wonderful opportunity of being forced into living together.

Bishop had apparently come up with a surprise for her husband Jake. She was going to take him to the Caribbean for their anniversary but she hadn't told McGee that the trip was a surprise. So he ended up chatting with Jake and spilling the secret.

And that trip was actually very important to Bishop. She and her husband have been experiencing some problems lately in their relationship and so she was hoping a grand romantic gesture would get them back on track.

So that loss of that chance, put Bishop at odds with McGee.

They weren't talking to each other unless they honestly had to and even then a lot of calls got ignored when it really mattered. Like when they found out that the woman pretending to be Lauren Hudson was really Dean's mistress and that the wife was dead.

McGee followed the wife but, because he ignored a call from Bishop, he couldn't talk her out of her foolish plan to break into the Hudson house. And after she left her phone, Abby couldn't warn about Dean returning home early.

Luckily, Bishop could take care of herself but both she and McGee realized afterwards that it would be best if they got past the whole ruined anniversary gift.

And Bishop didn't risk her life for nothing. She was the one that found the real Lauren's body. It seems her husband had murdered her in order to live off of her inheritance with his mistress Rita Applegate. So the entire case had nothing to do with the armory theft.

Newton just kind of stumbled across what they were doing and then tried to warn Gibbs about it.

Double Trouble

Season 13
Episode Number: 286
Season Episode: 4

Originally aired: Tuesday October 13, 2015
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Guest Stars: Gregory Scott Cummins (Kobe (Beef) Clarke), Diandra Lyle (Detective K. Stradivarius), Heather Mazur (Laura Strike-Depalma)
Production Code: 13004
Summary: Vance partners with Gibbs and returns to field duty when a murder is connected to a former NCIS agent he locked up years ago for stealing evidence.



The body of Navy Seaman Apprentice Brian Dokes was found in the early afternoon. Though nothing about the scene or their victim seemed to make sense to the NCIS. That is not until a mysterious third party put everything perspective.

At the start, Dokes's body was found near his car which appeared to have been involved in an accident of some kind. However Dokes had enough strength in him to drag himself away from the car and was still struggling to move when someone decided to finish off the job that car could not. He was killed but what became blatant clear is that someone

wanted to make a message out of Dokes's death seeing as his killer went to extra lengths to gorge out Dokes's eyes.

Yet the brutality that was used on the victim was not the only red flag at the scene. There was also the box of dud grenades that Dokes had in his trunk. As well as the bag of cash that he had in his front seat with him. So, right away, Dokes was looked on with suspicion.

On paper, he came across as a good guy but it was apparent that he had crossed a line. There was no way a kid that young could come across fifty grand legally.

And he didn't. Though it took former NCIS Special Agent Mr. Kip Klugman to fill Gibbs on what really happened to his victim. Klugman was not only a former agent but he was a disgraced one on top of it. Towards the end of his career, he began pilfering money and drugs out of the evidence locker and his partner at the time was the one to turn him in.

But Director Vance has come a long way since he was a NCIS Special Agent and it's made him more circumspect about who trusts. So he didn't want Klugman to offer up any assistance to Gibbs and, after hearing what the other man had to say, he didn't even think the intel was worth allowing Klugman to make a deal. For that was the only motivation behind Klugman's altruism.

He had told both men about a man named Kobe Carver who ran an illegal loan shark business with a lingerie store as a front. And he told them that Dokes had robbed Kobe the night before

he was killed. Though the reason Klugman was being so forthcoming was because he owed Kobe money. And if Kobe went away for murder then all three knew Klugman wouldn't have to pay him.

So Klugman wasn't a reliable source and he would have wanted his own illegal gambling to be overlooked.

That's why Vance ultimately decided to turn down Klugman's offer and simply leave Gibbs's team to find out what happened to Dokes. And using their information about Kobe, the agents did go to interview him at his "shop". However by then Kobe had already called in his lawyer and hid all evidence of his betting hall.

Meaning the agents had nothing to use as leverage. But they did know they were looking at the right man. Kobe had a reputation for always getting those that have foolishly tried to turn against him. And later that day Vance opened his door only to find a bloody Klugman on the other side of it.

Though oddly Klugman was claiming it was Vance that beaten him up and he informed NCIS that he would be suing thanks to his new lawyer. The same woman that was representing Kobe. So just like Vance predicted — Klugman turned out to be an unreliable snake.

And because of Klugman's latest antic, Vance found his job suddenly being threatened. Madame Secretary paid him a special visit and she told him that the bruises and the lawsuit didn't look good to Washington. Therefore the possibility of Vance peacefully retiring was put on the table.

Only there was no way that Vance was going to go quietly. Nor for that matter was Gibbs going to allow the Dokes's case getting transferred to another unit. So both men decided to continue with their investigation despite what was in their best interest. And in the end Madam Secretary allowed them a deadline before they both got pulled away.

NCIS figured out there was no second person at the original crime scene with Dokes. In fact Dokes had been the one to scratch out his own eyes and that was because of the LSD in his system. The drug has been known to cause vivid hallucinations and Dokes had had a large amount of it show up in his blood. But the team came to realize that Dokes would have never willingly put drugs in his system.

His father was a drug addict and, after the state wide service couldn't help, Dokes somehow found a way to get his father into an expensive private clinic. The young man had used his joining fee from the Navy to make the initial down payment for his father but the final payment was coming due right around the time Dokes was about to go on his first overseas mission.

So that's why Dokes stole from Kobe but it seems like he wasn't the only one with the idea. There was a tracking device found in the bag of money. And when Tony used the device as proof the money belonged to Kobe, Kobe was furious about someone putting a device into his bag.

And that was about as close as Kobe was going to admit to secretly drugging Dokes. As for the tracking device that wasn't his, it had also led the agents to the drugs that Kobe used as well as identifying Kobe as the man that sold Dokes's father the same drugs the older man got hooked on. Which meant the agents could get Kobe for murder. Though Vance wanted to know how Klugman came into all of this and a sting operation was the only thing left to do in order to find answers.

The team left the tracking device in the bag and when the money was getting transported — it got hit. But luckily Gibbs had put his cell phone into the bag so his agents were able to track the money until they found Klugman and his friends counting all the cash. For it looks like that was Klugman's endgame all along.

He wanted to steal from Kobe but Dokes beat him to it and everything afterwards was just about getting close enough to the money for a second attempt at taking it for himself.

So Vance was able to clear his name once he brought Klugman in on charges including attempted murder on a federal agent. (It's not like Klugman was going to let anyone arrest him without a fight.)

Lockdown

Season 13
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Season Episode: 5

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Guest Stars: Priscilla Barnes (Mrs. Skalbe), Tatiana Chekhova (Reena Deesie), Lucy Davis (Dr. Janice Brown), Nick Gomez (Nicky Jones), Tony Gonzalez (NCIS Special Agent Tony Francis), Marcus Henderson (Stu), Seana Kofoed (CEO Virginia Wilson), Ally Maki (Marie Manna), Robert Neary (Travis Cook), Alex Stemkovsky (Bodyguard), David Tom (Maple)
Production Code: 13005
Summary: When a texting teenager rear-ends a criminal's car, the accident initiates a series of events suggesting bioterrorism; as the NCIS team races to prevent it, Abbie ends up one of many hostages at a pharmaceutical company with a dangerous secret.



Gibbs's makeover has inspired Abby this week. Subsequently she wants to trade in her lab in the basement for something with a view. And HR was fighting her on that decision. So Abby was going to ask Gibbs if he could help but in a polite yet Gibbs way he had to blow her off.

A dead Navy captain required his attention and honestly he didn't want to get into office politics because of a view. So Abby was stuck in the basement and her friends were out investigating Navy Reserve Captain Doblin's death. Doblin had apparently been murdered by someone crushing his trachea and whoever the

murderer was also had extensive knowledge of the claw grip. The claw grip was eastern technique that could be considered Kung Fu and what it did was kill someone using only three fingers.

Thus this case got to be very interesting for the guys back at the office. However their victim ended up sending up some red flags. He had a half of a compound found in a drug sold by Celodyne Pharmaceuticals in his system and he had vials of neurotoxins in his digestive system. Which is typical for drugs mules, but at the time, the team was more worried about why he had the neurotoxins because it might have explained why he was murdered.

Though Abby had used that compound in the victim's system as an excuse for a field trip. She eventually got Gibbs to say he'd try to see what he could do about her office situation but she didn't a second more in the basement. So that's when she came up with the field trip idea and went to go meet Dr. Brown at Celodyne Headquarters.

Dr. Brown proved to be someone that took after Abby's own heart and the two women hit it off right away. However Brown didn't know how or why a testing compound much less half of one

was found in the victim's system. And the two women were left discussing that mystery when all of sudden the labs experienced an emergency shutdown.

Brown said the Ebola department must have had a leak so the ladies were simply going to wait out. But there wasn't a leak and the women quickly realized that when they began to hear gunshots in the building. The janitors it seemed had set off the alarm in an attempt to rob the place yet they hadn't counted on Abby, a federal agent, being in the building.

So Abby knew she had to send out a message to Gibbs but she was also a wanted woman. The janitors didn't want her to live to tell the tale and Dr. Brown was too scared of dying to stand beside her new friend. Even when it mattered the most.

Therefore Abby had to escape the lab on her own and thanks to her own ingenuous she was able to alert Gibbs. And in return, Gibbs had told her to hide. He said he and the team were coming her way and that she shouldn't risk her own well-being.

Yet Abby had to. She knew the bad guys wanted something off the server and so she locked them out in hopes of stalling them. And that came back to bite her.

The janitors knew that it was Abby that had locked them out and, although she had returned safely to Dr. Brown's lab, she had unfortunately put other people at risk. The bad guys were demanding she let them back into the system. They sent out a message over the intercom and they told her that if she didn't fix what she did then they were going to start killing hostages.

Only Abby had already overheard their endgame. While she was locking them out of the system, she stayed long enough to hear them say they weren't going to be leaving any witnesses behind. So that meant it was part of their plan all along to kill the hostages and Abby made sure to send up a red flare to the NCIS agents watching the building.

Red Smoke means distress in naval code so Gibbs and his people knew that the situation was deteriorating fast though they hadn't known the details. Like how Abby told the bad guys that they could have her if they came and got her.

And that wasn't such a bad idea. Abby got the men to collect her and Dr. Brown who had suddenly found courage and the two women were in the server room when Abby had automatically locked the doors. When she was supposed to be letting them into the system.

Abby you see had come up with a plan. She wanted to save the hostages and so she set off a knock-out gas inside of the room thereby taking out the man in charge. A man named Travis Cook.

Though Abby wasn't entirely left pleased by what she stopped. She did save the hostages and the NCIS team were able to revive everyone inside of the room but sadly it was revealed that Travis Cook had been hired by Dr. Brown to break into the servers. It seems the company she works for has been selling generic drugs that don't work so she wanted to turn whistleblower.

However she didn't have enough evidence and not even the chemist that first brought the company's crimes to her, Doblin, knew how to stop the company. So they hired Travis and as payment they told him he could take whatever he wanted on the server for himself. But then Travis got idea and he started killing people including Doblin who knew who he was.

So Doblin and Dr. Brown were good people and they put their faith in the wrong person. And though Brown tried to later stop Travis, she's still going to jail for the part she played.

Viral

Season 13
Episode Number: 288
Season Episode: 6

Originally aired: Tuesday October 27, 2015
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Director: Rocky Carroll
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Chief M.E. Donald "Ducky" Mallard), Sean Murray (I) (Special Agent Tim McGee), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Emily Wickersham (Agent Ellie Bishop)
Guest Stars: Jamie Bamber (NSA Attorney Jake Malloy), Brad Benedict (Navy Lieutenant Nick Rossmore), Alisha Boe (Farrah Meyers), Kelly Frye (Navy Lt. Kara Gifford), Makabe Ganey (Jackson Edward), Melissa Greenspan (Mother), Gregory Harrison (Ship's Captain), Margo Harshman (Delilah Fielding), Andrew Hawkes (Detective Campbell), Ryan Kennedy (Navy Petty Officer Second Class Adam Meyers), Dante Swain (Navy Petty Officer Second Class Adam Meyers)
Production Code: 13006
Summary: A petty officer is murdered and the NCIS team investigates to determine if the crime is the work of a local serial killer or a copycat. Meanwhile, McGee and Delilah must learn to compromise before moving in together.



Petty Officer Second Class Adam Meyers was just enjoying a day in the park when someone decided to shoot him with children running close by.

It was Halloween and the park that Meyers was in had been full. It seems they were having these fun activities set up for all the neighborhood kids. You know where they could gorge on as much candy as they want and be as equally safe under the watchful eye of their parents. Yet despite the number of people at the park with Meyers, when a gun went off, everyone had been focusing on protecting the children and thus didn't lift up their

heads until they were sure they were safe. And unfortunately in Meyer's case that meant no one saw his killer.

Though if killer was as good as he's been boasting then he probably knew how to hide from any and all witnesses. See, a calling card was left behind at the scene of the crime and it identified the killer as the known serial killer The Tri-State Sniper. The Sniper had already killed six people up until then and so when the agents find the calling card with the number seven they just assumed they had the same guy.

And to be fair to them, everything fit. Again there was that calling card that seemingly looked like all the others. Plus Meyers had been killed in the same fashion as the previous victims. He received one shot to the chest and that was it.

So there was no reason for the NCIS to doubt Meyers had been killed by the sniper. However a source on the sniper's case eventually reached out to them and he had some sorry news. He said he couldn't tell them before until he had the guy arraigned, but his people picked up the sniper on the same he was supposed to have killed Meyers. And there was simply no way the Tri-State Sniper could have killed Meyers and be almost a state away in the next fifteen minutes.

Therefore the NCIS had to start looking at copycats and by doing that they also found a motive that is for why someone would target Meyers to begin with. Meyers, it appears, had an unsavory past. In fact he had an altercation with a fellow officer while the last time the USS Camden was at sea.

An agent from the Sexual Violence Unit informed Gibbs that his victim had been put a hidden camera in the women's changing area and he had uploaded images of them online. One of the women, an Ashley Ryan, was never able to overcome what she had suffered and she eventually committed suicide because of what Meyers did. So, in other words, Meyers wasn't a likable guy and the only one that regretted his death was his younger sister Farrah.

But his victims were still raw from what he did. Another officers tried one injunction after another to get her pictures removed and nothing worked. So she wasn't upset when NCIS informed her about Meyers. If anything she felt he had it coming.

What Meyers did onboard the ship was wrong however he never got a chance to pay for it. He had been given a slap on the wrist by the Navy at the time and continued with his life as if nothing was wrong. That is until he was punched.

Ducky found evidence during Meyer's autopsy of someone having punched a few teeth lose in the last couple of days. So DiNozzo went look for this puncher and he found a victim of Meyer's. She said she didn't tell anyone including NCIS when they first asked her about Meyers because she knew it looked bad. And she didn't want Meyers to further ruin her life by causing her to get a dishonorable discharge.

Though she said he was very much alive when she left him. She had only hit him to begin with because he had showed at Ashley's funeral promising to make everything better. And all wanted to do at the time was let him know that nothing he did could fix the damage he caused.

Only Meyers did cause anything. He did not have the tech savvy to set up a hidden camera much less upload the images. So when DiNozzo and McGee that he was meeting on the day he died — everything became clear. And what the team knew for sure was that Meyers hadn't been the voyeur on the USS Camden. He just took the blame in exchange for cash that he apparently needed to hire a lawyer for his sister.

See Rossmore later told NCIS that Farrah had gotten arrested for a DUI when they were on deployment. Now there was a way for her to get a lenient sentence but at the time Meyers hadn't had the money for a proper lawyer. Yet in the following days after that, Meyers ended up confessing to the whole camera scenario. And someone managed to miraculously wire him all the money he needed for Farrah.

Abby eventually found the money transfer that Meyers used to pay for a lawyer. And that money could not have come from thin air. So Bishop did a search into who else would have taken the pictures and she found former Officer Woodruff.

Earlier Bishop had been worried about her husband being possible caught in a terrorist attack but he turned out to be fine. NSA had removed him from Dubai before the bomb could go off at his hotel and so he was safe. But while Bishop appeared to be fine in front of everyone else — she did let Gibbs see how much she had been falling apart on the inside.

And when she returned to the field, she gave her team what they needed to know on Woodruff. It seems he had a problem with taking orders from women so that's why he did what he did. But, regardless of what he thought about his former captain, the other man refused to help him and instead turn him over to NCIS along with the recording of their conversation.

16 Years

Season 13
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Guest Stars: Jessica Walter (Judith McKnight), Richard Riehle (Walt Osorio), Chris Gartin (Jason Tupperman), Todd Louiso (Lyle Waznicki), Matthew John Armstrong (Navy Seaman Michael Hayes), Nick Toren (Dwight's Father), Paul Mabon (Lucas' Father), Nate Scholz (Former Navy Seaman Todd Bennett), Joe Pistone (Prison Guard), Lauren Bray (Makaela Hayes), Iris Almario (Natalie Tupperman), Mataeo Mingo (Lucas), Zeb Sanders (Dwight), Jonathan Salisbury (Stephenson), Gabriel Hogan (Commander Pete Grady)
Production Code: 13007
Summary: Ducky reveals his participation in a secret society devoted to solving cold cases when NCIS investigates the murder of a retired lieutenant who was also a member of the secret group.



Bishop had come into work with a mood. Apparently things aren't easy at home despite her husband escaping a terrorist attack last week by the skin of his teeth and if anything it seems like the marriage is still on the verge of collapsing.

So on tonight's episode of "NCIS" Bishop said the one that she shouldn't have in the orange room. She told her coworkers that all she wanted was a quiet day at the office. And, them being the superstitious king, they waited around to see just what kind of case that Bishop's

remark must have doomed them with.

Although, to be fair to her, the body that was found not long after she made her statement had revealed to have been lying around for a good three days before she made her announcement. Therefore their next case was not her fault and she had in no way brought it about. But that wasn't a claim that Ducky could make.

As it turns out he knew the retired Lt. Commander Runyan Hayes. And so he had to recuse himself from the case because of his entanglement with The Sherlock Consortium of Investigation. For it was that organization that had taken on the responsibility of investigating cold cases like the one that Hayes had brought to their attention.

Earlier, Hayes had gone to the sleuths because he felt like his son Michael had wrongly been imprisoned for a murder he hadn't committed. In fact Hayes had a suspect and he just needed the Consortium to either help him cast enough doubt or find evidence against a man named

Bennett who Hayes believed was responsible. Yet the Consortium apparently weren't working as fast as Hayes might have liked because he told them one day that he was going to confront Bennett and that was last they had ever heard from him.

That is until he wound up dead a few miles away from where Bennett worked as a fireman. So NCIS had viable suspect for Hayes's death but they too simply didn't have the evidence.

Hence, Gibbs turned to an odd group of people. He sought out the Consortium to find out what they had on Bennett and he made Ducky do the introduction. Ducky hadn't really been that happy about mixing those two parts of his life but he couldn't afford to let his friends go on remaining anonymous during an active investigation.

So he brought his friends in on what was going on and then took a step back as they proceeded tear in the original 1999 murder in which they believe Michael Hayes was innocent of. It seems they found reasonable doubt that Michael hadn't killed Lt. Swannie. And their main piece of evidence is the faulty DNA testing done at the time that was conducted by a young Abby Sciuto.

Now Abby hadn't remembered the case. She's seen too much to every pinpoint one murder but she did end up feeling guilty about possible sending an innocent man to jail. So after she had found out about Michael — she locked herself away in the lab and Gibbs was the only one willing to drag her back out.

Therefore finding out if Michael was guilty soon became as important to the team as finding his father's murderer. Bennett had had an alibi yet no one believed he was entirely innocent.

There was plenty of items left at the scene of the crime that the team hoped they could use. There had been evidence of there being two shooters that night. And every time Dinozzo and McGee went back into the woods — they were left covered in tree sap. So Lyle from the Consortium came up with an idea to help them.

He looked into how to remove tree sap and he told Gibbs that what the guys needed were peanut butter. And funnily enough it was Lyle's advice that helped pieced together the evidence. Because Gibbs had seen dark spots on someone's shoes but it hadn't been Bennett's. It had been Michael's best friend.

The same best friend that had stayed close to Michael's family even when he had gone to prison and who had stuck around to help raise Michael's daughter. So the team had their guys but to get him on something a little less circumstantial they had found a way to get his keys away from him.

The killer had used his car keys to dig out a bullet from his gun that had gone into a nearby tree. So Abby was able to test the sawdust on the keys as if it had been DNA. And she put their suspect at the scene of the crime.

And from there, the truth finally came out. It was the friend that had killed his lieutenant. Though he hadn't wanted to set up Michael, he was actually going to pin the crime on Bennett. However Hayes must have found out the truth and confronted him not Bennett.

So once the team got their suspect's full confession, Michael Hayes was able to go free and he thanked Abby. He said it didn't matter what had happen in '99. She was the one that had given him the chance to be a free man again.

But, later, Ducky did resign from the Consortium. He felt they took too many risks so he gave his position to Palmer instead.

Saviors

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Season Episode: 8

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Guest Stars: Noel Arthur (Guest Star), David Chisum (Dr. David Woods), Jon Cryer (Dr. Cyril Taft), Akuyoe Graham (Guest Star), Joel Gretsch (NCIS Special Agent Stan Burley), Mark Harmon (Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Gabriel Hogan (Commander Pete Grady), Sarah Jane MacKay (Rose), Omono Okojie (Bahar Tambai), Katie Roberts (Navy Surgical Tech Ensign Joni Ryan), Annie Tedesco (Guest Star), Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit)
Production Code: 13008
Summary: Insurgents in Sudan attack a group of volunteer doctors and murder some, while kidnapping others. DiNozzo and McGee visit the crime scene, where DiNozzo is reunited with his ex-girlfriend, whose husband is among those who were attacked.



NCIS Special Agent Stan Burley called in to headquarters in need of favor. Apparently a friend his, Navy Lieutenant Elizabeth Cortland, was working overseas using her Navy doctor experience to help those in need when the hospital she was in was attacked by insurgents.

It seems the hospital had been in Togu, Sudan which was known as an unstable region. Yet the IDG which stands for International Doctors' Group hadn't wanted to leave the people in that area without care. So despite the risks the doctors travelled there with full knowledge of what they were walking into in

order to assist the many.

And unfortunately the man that was the leading the group was Dr. David Woods. At the start of their day, no one at NCIS had known who he was but afterwards Dr. Woods became known as only one thing. He was Jeanne Benoit's husband.

Jeanne had been the one to get away with DiNozzo and till that very day he refused to talk about her or their relationship with others. But it was obvious to everyone that DiNozzo truly cared for her and so they understand if her husband's case turned out to be a problem. After all David ended up being the man she married while she was perfectly willing to walk away from DiNozzo.

However DiNozzo refused to shy away. His boss wasn't doing too well and so Gibbs needed him to step. Especially after he collapsed at work right in front of Dr. Taft.

Dr. Taft had known someone that was with the doctors' group and so he had stopped by to ask after her. Only Joni Ryan along with David Woods were reported as missing. So that came as a personal blow to Taft. He had worked with Joni over the years and she had even been assigned with him to Gibbs's surgery. But she was missing and after hearing about their connection — Gibbs collapsed.

So Taft finally took Director Vance aside and told him about all of those checkups that Gibbs had been missing and that it turn made Vance bench Gibbs. At least until his old friend got the all-clear from his doctor. And that was never going to happen as long as Taft felt Gibbs's stress levels was manifesting into physical symptoms.

Therefore Taft wanted Gibbs in touch with his feelings and psyche. And Gibbs being Gibbs was putting up a fight.

Meanwhile DiNozzo, McGee, and Jeanne had flown to South Sudan. Sudan had apparently gained its independence not that long ago but since then various tribes have been doing their best to kill each other at every interval. So when the cavalry arrived, they couldn't seem to get much help from the nearby villagers.

Those who knew about the attack on the hospital were just not talking. And one young woman put everything in perspective. She said that the doctors and the people that come claiming to help — all eventually leave. But she and many like herself have to stay and face the consequence. So to be quite frank they didn't want to risk their lives for a couple of doctors.

But sadly that wasn't the only place that the NCIS weren't getting any love. Gibbs was able to pull some strings back home but even that could only provide Navy SEAL assistance for twenty-four hours. So the situation in Togu was three NCIS agents and one doctor against a whole tribe.

Though Abby and Palmer did manage to identify which tribe that had attacked the hospital. They got a picture of a knife left behind at the scene and used the dialect etched into it. So that's how they found out that Shilluk Ethnic Tribe had been behind the attack and kidnapping.

It seems the tribe's ferocious leader, General Ajat Gadak might have been injured during an earlier skirmish of theirs therefore they kidnapped David and Joni in order to patch up their General.

And while the thing with the Gneral may have begun as a mere idea, the agents ended up finding an abandoned camp site that proved David had still be alive with the tribe. So Jeanne took that as a good sign and the guys backed her up. They knew as long as the tribe needed her husband's expertise then the longer he got to live.

So all they had to do was track a large slow moving tribe then create a distraction big enough to allow them the necessary time to grab their doctors at the first chance they could. And in the end they were they did that but were allowed to away afterwards thanks to Gibbs. Gibbs had made another round of calls, once he found a way to evade Taft that is, and those calls brought in air support and so that even the playing field.

And luckily everyone got to go home.

But as for DiNozzo, he did something he never thought he would. In returning David to his wife, DiNozzo finally found a way to make it up to Jeanne for the way things had ended between them.

Day in Court

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Guest Stars: Tom Choi (Navy Commander Bradley Hall), Salli Richardson-Whitfield (Carrie Clark), Erinn Westbrook (Hanna Friedgen), Miles Wood (Detective J. Green), Lindsey McKeon (Taylor Matthews), Jeremy Ratchford (Detective Malone), Kelly Blatz (Kyle Friedgen), Tug Coker (State's Attorney Alan Wyner), Billy "Sly" Williams (Cheech), Jamie Bamber (Jake Malloy)
Production Code: 13009
Summary: A petty officer tries to clear his name after his murder case is dismissed due to mishandled evidence. He volunteers to be court-martialed if NCIS agrees to investigate.



Naval Petty Officer Kyle Friedgen and his attorney have approached the NCIS on tonight's all new episode with an unusual request.

Earlier Kyle had been arrested for the murder of his former girlfriend Joy Vanatter and, while he claimed he was innocent, there appeared to have been one piece of evidence that would have had spending him spending the rest of his life behind bars. However that one piece of evidence was thrown out because of an overzealous district attorney. So with

nothing else to use against Kyle — Kyle was freed by the judge.

Yet Kyle didn't necessarily recover his old life. For it seems the court of public opinion have already made up their minds about him and therefore there was not a single person in his life (besides his attorney that is) actually believes in his innocence. So after he was freed his fellow crew members onboard the ship then began to shun and his own wife started fighting him for custody over their unborn child.

So Kyle figured he really didn't have anything to lose by then and that's when his attorney came up with a drastic plan in order to help him. She told him that if the NCIS were to officially court-martial him then he could finally have a day in court. Where he could prove his innocence once and for all.

But the real question was what if Kyle actually did have something to hide? With an investigation officially opened, the team had to look at all the evidence as well speak with the lead detective on the case. And Detective Malone was a good friend of DiNozzo's so DiNozzo didn't doubt the other man when he said he ran the case by the book.

However he did wonder if the police might have only looked at Kyle so they did a little digging into Joy and Kyle's past.

Joy and Kyle used to be a highly-strung and volatile couple but then one day they got pregnant. So it was that pregnancy that changed everything between them. Because after an abortion that essentially ended their relationship, Joy continued to spiral out while her ex managed to get his life together.

Therefore it was odd that the two of them had exchanged texts and even calls on the day Joy was murdered. To put it simply, it did not make sense for Kyle to be in communications with someone from a very ugly part of his past. But Kyle said he never physically saw her before she died and that it had been years before they talked when out of the blue she began texting him.

So NCIS was investigating why Joy would do that when Abby found something interesting. She found footage from the day before Joy was murdered and she had proof that Kyle did see Joy.

The money he had withdrawn from his account was the exact same amount that was later found Joy. Thus there's evidence of both him paying her as well his attempt at covering it up. And no shocker but that made Gibbs very angry.

Gibbs had felt his team had been used. There they were tirelessly working on helping Kyle yet Kyle had chosen to lie to them about a very important detail. So Gibbs turned over the evidence to the Baltimore police and they once again arrested Kyle for murder.

Kyle had denied seeing the victim but he did so that placed him at least near the crime. However Gibbs later found out that Kyle had been right about one thing — the syringe! The same syringe that had been found in Kyle's car with his Joy's blood on it. Only Abby and Ducky found out the drugs that had been in syringe were not the same ones that had been found in Joy's system.

So someone did plant the syringe in Kyle's car.

And Bishop and DiNozzo think it might have the prosecutor on Kyle's case. Alan Wyner had prosecuted Joy a couple of years before her death and the syringe that had been collected at the time was found to be clean. As in absolutely clean of everything including the drugs that had allegedly been found in it two years ago.

Which meant Wyner had then set Kyle up only to then screw up over a small detail such as a warrant. So the team looked into him and that's when everything just fell into place. Wyner had secretly been seeing Joy when one day she tried to get away from him and frantically called her ex Kyle asking for money. Poor Kyle hadn't known what the money was for but knew Joy must be bad off if she was reaching out to him.

But Joy never got to make her escape. Her lover killed her and then tried to frame Kyle though he later said he had wanted to make it better by messing up on the warrant. And so Wyner didn't understand why Kyle would then get an investigation reopened.

It was as if he couldn't believe that Kyle wouldn't be able to return to a normal life after getting off on a mere technicality.

Yet Kyle did get his freedom in the end and he now has to work on his marriage seeing as his wife had left him because she too thought he was guilty. And speaking of marital problems, Bishop and Jake might just be over for good. Jake had apparently cheated on his wife and so Bishop packed up her bags in order to return home to Oklahoma.

Blood Brothers

Season 13

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Season Episode: 10

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Guest Stars: Lindsay Wagner (Barbara Bishop), Ryan Doom (George Bishop), Patricia Bethune (Paulette Quinn), Harry Van Gorkum (Alton Brinkman), Grantham Coleman (Richard Doogan), Jack Mikesell (Navy Lt. Alex Quinn), Joe Spano (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Stuart McLean (Malcolm Turro), Eric Nelsen (Sean Quinn), Scott C. Roe (Marine)
Production Code: 13010
Summary: The Secretary of Defense calls on NCIS to help a sailor who is battling leukemia to locate a donor for a bone marrow transplant, after two of his siblings are killed in the line of duty. Meanwhile, Bishop returns home to Oklahoma for Thanksgiving.



The episode begins with a woman talking to her son who is in the hospital sick with cancer. She mentions Rebecca but he says he doesn't want his sister to see him like this. He says she's in Kandahar and doesn't need the distraction. He jokes about his eulogy and he says he knows he's not going to make it.

His mother says he will because he's a Quinn. She tells him to get some rest. She tries to call Sean from the hospital but then a Marine representative is there and tells her that her daughter Rebecca

was killed in action. Jimmy shows Tim photos of his turkey and Tony asks what it is. It's a turducken.

Tim says he and Delilah will be late for dinner because they're volunteering with Abby at a soup kitchen. Tony turns down the invitation. Jimmy tells them he heard Gibbs chewing out Jake on the phone. But then Gibbs is right there behind him. He runs off terrified. Ellie's mom comes to talk to her as she's chopping wood and says her dad is on the way. (OMG it's Lindsay Wagner — The Bionic Woman!)

Her mom says her grandparents are coming too then asks if Ellie can call her brothers but she says she can see them at Thanksgiving. Her mother tells her that she's there for her but Ellie just wants time. She tells Ellie Jake has been blowing up her phone. Her mom says she needs to address the problems.

Ellie ignores another call from Jake and takes her axe and chops her phone into splinters. She tells her mom the problem has been addressed. Leon gets off a call and tells Gibbs that SecDef called for help with a time-sensitive matter — a dying sailor. He says Alex Quinn is at Walter Reed with leukemia.

He says his sister Marine Captain Quinn died last week from an IED. Major William Quinn, the oldest brother also died overseas serving his country. Leon says Alex needs a bone marrow transplant and they're hoping they can find Sean Quinn the youngest of the family who's missing for six months.

Leon says find Sean to save his brother's life. Paulette meets with Gibbs and says she and her husband both served as well as all the kids but Sean who couldn't get in because of a heart murmur. She says Sean spiraled when his older brother Will died and started drinking and hanging out with bad guys.

She says he won't return her calls and won't see any of them. She says he doesn't even know his sister died. She begs him to bring Sean home. Tony goes to see Sean's landlord and he says he's a great tenant, is never around, and is quiet. Tim finds a stash of something behind a vent.

There's a brick of cash and passports with different names but all have photos of Sean. Ellie's brother George comes in and calls her special agent Barbie. He says he came early to hang with her and he admits that their mom called. George says her coming out of the blue is suspicious. He head locks her and they go hang in their clubhouse. Abby has made a Gibbs pumpkin then says she did one for all of them for the soup kitchen centerpiece. She asks him about his phone call with Jake but he brushes her off. Abby says the cash is fake and not a perfect counterfeit. There's \$100k there.

Tony says Sean was going to East Coast casinos to cash in the fake money and was using it at retail establishments. Fornell shows up and Leon says the FBI and Secret Service have been tracking the counterfeiting ring for a year. Fornell says Sean is lower level and was recruited by Thomas Reynolds.

He went to school with Sean but was whacked. Sean is operating as an informant for the FBI. Fornell says he can take them to an FBI safe house to meet Sean tonight. Ellie tells George about Jake's cheating and he says he's going to kick the guy's ass. She says there's not much hope here.

George pulls out an old bottle of hooch they'd hidden in their clubhouse and he asks about her wearing her wedding ring still. She says the vows meant something to her. She says she thought she and Jake would work things out no matter their problems. Their mom comes in and George says they're having a moment but she says Agent DiNozzo is on the phone for her.

Dr Mallard comes with Gibbs and Fornell to meet with Sean and they see signs of trouble. Gibbs sends Duckie back to the car and they see Sean's handler is dead, his gun is gone and so is Sean. Tony takes a call from Gibbs as they're searching for Sean. Tony says a 9 mm killed the agent and Tim says Sean could be the shooter since he has a 9 mm.

George sees Ellie working with a donor database looking for a donor for Alex. She says they found a donor but the person turned it down. She wants to try and get the donor to change his mind. Richard Doogan is the potential donor and he's in Kansas a few hours away but he's in Leavenworth barracks. He's serving life for double homicide. Ellie wants to go talk to the guy.

Duckie coaches Jimmy about being careful with his stitches. They are working on the turducken. Gibbs comes in and asks what it is. Jimmy makes a bad fowl joke and Gibbs is annoyed. Abby is on the screen and says Sean did not kill Agent Potter. The bullet had DNA from two other people — Potter's DNA and Sean's DNA. Looks like the same bullet went through both of them.

Duckie says Sean would need medical attention. Ellie is at Leavenworth to see Doogan and she introduces herself. He asks what the Navy wants. She talks about him being in the donor registry. He says it must be important and asks who it's for. She tells him about Alex and how close of a match he is. Ellie tells him what would be required. He agrees to donate. She thanks him.

He says he wants a deal. He wants his life sentence reduced to time served if she wants his bone marrow. He walks away after delivering that bit. Paulette tells Gibbs she knew Sean was in trouble but never any idea that it was like this. She asks if he has children and he says he had a daughter. She says burying your child is awful. She says she's lost two children and another is dying in front of her eyes.

She says now she hears Sean is injured and says she can't take much more. Gibbs says they can save them both. He asks where Sean would go to lay low. She says his boat and says he and Will were fixing it up. It's at a storage place near a marina. She tells him where to find it. Tony and Tim go looking for Sean. They talk about boat names. They see a bloody fingerprint on the handle of the unit.

They go inside and find more blood on a ladder leading up to the boat and find Sean. He's still alive. They call an ambulance. Tony tells Gibbs that Sean lost a lot of blood but he's going to recover fine. Tony says they did a blood panel on Sean and found out he's not a viable donor. The prisoner is the only option. Tony says he killed two Iraqi detainees and has a life sentence.

Gibbs tells Tony to find out who shot Sean and killed Potter. He's going to Leavenworth. Abby is watching casino footage looking for hints on the counterfeiting ring. Tim says someone was doing casino runs before Sean since he's new to the crew. Abby looks at the footage looking for frequent visitors. They find the building manager at Sean's apartment — Alton Brinkman.

George tells his mom about Jake cheating when Ellie comes down. She says she has to go back to Leavenworth. Ellie says this is what she does but her mom thinks she's avoiding and making excuses. George says they have company — it's Gibbs. She goes outside and she asks if he's really in Oklahoma. He says howdie and says he got a deal for Doogan.

Her mom and George come out and ask for an introduction. Her mom says she's Barbara and offers him coffee. Ellie says they have to go. Doogan asks what this is and Gibbs says these are the terms. They got him the possibility of parole in 40 years. He says he'd be 70. He hands back the papers unsigned. He says if they want the marrow, get him out. He's unrepentant about killing the prisoners.

He says they were terrorists who killed innocent people. Doogan asks if they killed people in the line of duty then says he sleeps better knowing those bad guys are gone. Gibbs says this is the only deal he's ever going to get, take it or leave it. He says no thanks. He tells them save his life and he'll save the sailor's life. Fornell and Tony sit down with Anton who asks for his lawyer.

Tony says they don't need a confession and he says they're bluffing. Fornell says they can show him their hand. They show him the gun from his apartment. He says he has a permit. They tell him ballistics show he killed an FBI agent and Sean ID'd him as the shooter. Fornell arrests him for the murder of Agent Potter and Anton says wait. He says he can give them his boss but he needs protection.

He says Malcolm Turro is his boss. He says he monitored low-level runners for him. He says he saw Sean with a Fed and says Turro would have killed them all. He says the guy operates out of a warehouse in Arlington. Barbara invites Gibbs to stay for Thanksgiving and Ellie says he's busy. Barbara and George embarrass Ellie with childhood stories of her stubbornness.

Ellie answers the phone — it's Jake. She tells him she won't come back for Thanksgiving and hangs up on him. George asks how Jake has the nerve to call the house and says he's calling him back but Barbara says to sit down. He says Jake can't disrespect his little sister like that. Ellie snaps and says it's her life, her marriage and tells him to back off. Barbara chews out George.

She tells him to go cool off and Barbara follows her daughter. Gibbs gets a call from Tim who says Alex has taken a turn for the worse. He says they're almost out of time. Gibbs is sitting on the front porch when Ellie comes out. She says she was going for a run to clear her head. He says she's done enough running. She doesn't want a lecture and he asks what she needs.

She says she doesn't want to be treated like she's fragile but he reminds her how often she checked on him after Iraq but she says he almost died and they were worried. He says her family is worried. He says she needs to talk about it. Ellie is shocked he's telling her to talk about her feelings. She asks how you process getting shot then who he opened up to. He says Dr Taft.

He says everyone gets to that point, even him. He says just take the first step. She says she can't and he says Rule 28 — ask for help when you need it. Fornell tells them he has a surveillance on the warehouse and Tim and Tony tell him Malcolm is associated with more than 15 murders. They get a call that Malcolm showed up and they raid the warehouse.

Turo's guys take shots at the agents but then Fornell has a gun in his face and tells him put down the gun. Tony comes up behind him and knocks him out before he does something dangerous. Ellie comes back to see Doogan who asks if she has good news. She says there's no possibility of a deal with his conviction. She says she thinks he's a good person who made mistakes.

She says she knows how the detainees he killed were responsible for IEDs. She says she knows they killed his friend Logan and says grief can push people to extremes. He says he saved soldier's lives and she says it cost him his. Doogan says he can't change the past. She says he can change the future. She tells him about Alex. She shows him Alex's photo and says he can save his life.

She says he took an oath to never leave a fallen soldier behind. Doogan says a deal was his only shot at getting out. He says he just wanted a fresh start and she says this can be a new beginning. She says don't let a bad situation define who you are. He makes the donation and Gibbs tells her Alex will be on his feet by the New Years. He says thanks to her.

She says she wasn't sure she could get through to him. Gibbs says he never doubted her for a moment. Sean is with Alex in his hospital room. They take each other's hand. Fornell tells Tony that he has time to pick up wine for his dinner with Emily if she hasn't burned the place down. Tony says he stayed to do reports for Tim so he could go volunteer.

Fornell asks Tony about his Sudan trip and then Tony gives him a bottle of wine from his drawer. Fornell is impressed with the vintage then he turns back and says this is pathetic and tells Tony to come to his house for dinner. Tony says he thought he was his second least-favorite agent and Fornell says it's a punishment since his daughter can't cook.

Tony asks if he can call him Toby now they're friends and Fornell says don't push it. Gibbs is peeling potatoes for Barbara in the kitchen and she says if Ellie trusts him, she can too. She steps closer and says it's hard Ellie being in a dangerous job so far away. She says she'd prefer she lived at home and worked as a teacher or nun. Gibbs pledges to look after her.

Ellie comes in and says her brothers and father will be there soon and tells Gibbs to watch out for them. Ellie says she's ready to go back to DC. He tells her he only booked a one way ticket and wasn't leaving without her. They agree to drive back home together. She starts peeling potatoes with him. She wishes him Happy Thanksgiving and he says you too Bishop.

Spinning Wheel

Season 13
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Season Episode: 11

Originally aired: Tuesday December 15, 2015
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Guest Stars: Adam Campbell (Young Dr. Donald Mallard), Adam Croasdell (Young Angus Clarke), Andy Walken (Young Nicholas Mallard), Susan Duerden (Lorraine Mallard), George Gerdes (Field Marshal Rand), Kim Robillard (Dwayne Parker), Henrietta Meire (Nurse), Jon Beavers (Sam Butler), Nicole J. Butler (Coordinator), Jamie Bamber (NSA Attorney Jake Malloy), Sewell Whitney (Nicholas Mallard(I)), David Carey Foster (Nicholas Mallard(II)), Tom Billett (Viggo Trellis), Nikki Leigh (Woman), Patrick Quinlan (London Bobby), Ashlynn Yennie (Daughter), Christopher Murray (Joseph Mallard), Scott McGlynn (Matt)
Production Code: 13011
Summary: Ducky is attacked by a man claiming to have information about his half-brother who died decades ago. While the team search for the perpetrator, Ducky recalls the final days he had with his younger sibling. Also: Bishop and Jake discuss the future of their relationship.



The body of Marine Private John Angel was found in an alley. However the marine's death was forced to take a backseat when Ducky had also been found on the scene gagged and bound.

Ducky it seems had been lured into a trap by a man claiming to have information on Ducky's half-brother Nicholas. Nicholas you see had died some years ago but even before that Ducky hadn't seen him a while. So naturally his brother has been a bit of a sore spot for him and that explains why he never talked about it with Gibbs.

But what with a kidnapping and a murder being involved, silence was just a luxury that Ducky no longer afford. Therefore he had to relive some of the worst days of his life. Including when Nicholas's mother Lorraine (a woman lacking in maternal instinct) decided one day that she was going to divorce her husband and take Nicholas out of the country.

Elsewhere, though, back in present times Gibbs had DiNozzo and McGee run down the license plate on the van that Ducky had been found in. And what the boys found out was that the van had been rented by a man named Rufus. Rufus had found the van and house package on a renting app. And he was willing to pay full price from Sam Butler.

Yet Sam had been a couple of feet away from the house, staying in a tent, when someone had killed Rufus and arranged it so that Rufus's death looked like a suicide.

And Rufus's death only made the situation with Ducky look even direr if that could possible. The man that had apparently kidnapped him had gone on to kill two other men but had kept Ducky alive. So that begged the question why. He could have only have left Ducky alive if he wanted to use him in some way later down the line.

Hence the guys had to take a more in-depth look at Rufus and as it turns out they found a letter addressed to Ducky from his brother. The letter itself carried information that only Nicholas would know and so Abby ran some tests on it in order to indicate when it had been written.

And the letter had been written by Nicholas three weeks ago.

So that could only mean one thing. Nicholas had to be alive however it was a bit strange that the letter had been written in a child-like script. If the letter had been created a mere three weeks go then Nicholas had to be a man in his forties. And his script should have improved since then.

But that part didn't really seem to matter to Ducky. All he cared about was that there was suddenly proof his brother was alive. And more than anything he wanted to reunited with him.

When his stepmother had initially threatened her husband with full custody, Ducky had reached out to his old friend Angus who was a barrister (British lawyer). Lorraine had asked for ten grand in exchange for leaving Nicholas in England. And neither Ducky nor his father had it. So Ducky had Angus if he could fight Lorraine's full custody in court.

And the other man said they couldn't but that he was willing to give Ducky the money to keep Nicholas. Yet by time the offer had come, Lorraine had already had her and Nicholas's things packed up. Therefore Ducky wasn't left with much choice.

Lorraine had changed her mind about the money and she had wanted to take Nicholas out of spite. So she called the magistrate and had the officers he sent delay Ducky. And took the boy all the way to Albania.

Where Ducky then followed her from country to country until a relative of hers informed him that both Lorraine and Nicholas had died. But back in present times, the team figured out what Rufus had been up to. Rufus had worked in the post office in Philadelphia and after he noticed that one letter had a very expensive and one of a kind stamp — he hired a PI to track down Nicholas Mallard for him in order to get the matching set to the Merlin stamp.

Apparently the two together would have brought in serious money but Vigo Trellis realized he didn't just want his fee to be paid. He also wanted the money from the stamps. So he killed Rufus and tried to find Nicholas on his own.

And that's what led to him kidnapping Ducky. However, when that didn't work as planned, he then tried to find Nicholas again and accidentally picked up the wrong guy by the same name. Thus when the team found them — they were able to bring him in but broke Ducky's heart in the process.

He felt like maybe Abby had been mistaken when she said the letter was actually from his brother. But to make it up to him, the team did conduct a search on the real Nicholas and found him in a home in Philadelphia.

Nicholas has been suffering from early onset Alzheimer's and a few weeks back he had escaped the home. And they had later found him at the post office. He had been trying to reach his brother.

So when Ducky finally saw him again, Nicholas' disease was no impediment. He knew his big brother when he saw him.

Sister City, Part I

Season 13
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Season Episode: 12

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Guest Stars: Scott Bakula (NCIS Special Agent Dwayne Pride), Lucas Black (NCIS Special Agent Christopher Lasalle), Zoe McLellan (Special Agent Meredith "Merri" Brody), Shalita Grant (Sonja Percy), Tyler Ritter (Luca Sciuto), Lev Gorn (Russian Counselor Anton Pavlenko), Bryan Batt (Blye CFO Dalton Greenbrick), Cassidy Freeman (Eva Azarova), Alex Quijano (Blye Head of Security Blake Huxley), Wendy Davis (Navy Captain Kensington Bloom), Jamie Gray Hyder (Navy Petty Officer First Class Heidi Orr), Abraham Amkpa (Navy Petty Officer First Class Feliz Kane), Ilia Vloak (Burly Man), Samran Chakrabarti (Jenner Blye)
Production Code: 13012
Summary: The passengers and crew of a private plane traveling from New Orleans to Washington, D.C., are poisoned and the evidence points to Abby's brother, the aircraft's missing chef. The episode concludes on "NCIS: New Orleans."



Military spotted an unmanned plane on tonight's episode of "NCIS" and it quickly became a situation that needed to be handled by two NCIS teams.

Apparently the unmanned plane was original supposed to be on autopilot for a short amount of time but something went wrong and the entire crew were unresponsive to distress calls. So Director Vance had to assume the worst. He had to believe the passengers as well as the crew had died from hypoxia. Hypoxia being the moment the bodies onboard were

deprived of actual oxygen thereby causing them all to pass out.

But sadly no one could wait around for one of them to come to and that is if they could. The plane had a set course and a full tank. And with no one alive or at the very most awake onboard to take control, there was no way the plane could make a gentle landing and it had been headed to heavily populated metropolis. So what that means is a crash was bound to happen.

However, the military had options. The plane was either go to crash on its own and risked thousands of lives or the military could rouse an air assault in order to take the plane down themselves. And guess which option they chose to take.

Abby had later been given the job to crash the plane remotely by hacking into the navigation unit and she was able to fool the plane into believing it was dropping altitude. Therefore, the

plane was able to crash on its own without putting anyone else at risk. And without causing a PR nightmare.

Yet Abby hadn't known who was on board or supposed to be onboard until after she brought down the plane that was allegedly carrying her brother Luca. Luca generally doesn't leave New Orleans but the flight manifest had him as one of the passengers. And he did just take a job as a personal chef.

So for a few critical hours, Abby thought she had crashed a plane with her brother onboard. But thankfully he wasn't because he reached out to her after his supposed death. In fact, Luca ended up texting her following the crash and he said he was in danger. And what her to meet him at the amusement park they used to frequent as kids.

And while she was doing that, the rest of her team were trying to figure out what happened onboard a billionaire/military contractor's plane.

Only no one knew how to find Mr. Blye. Jenner Blye of Blye Industries had gone missing and none of his people had wanted that information to get out however it was hard to turn a man like Gibbs away without a proper explanation. Gibbs had been tasked with questioning Blye about whether or not he has any enemies that would wish to kill him and so it didn't look good that Blye had disappeared.

If anything it made Gibbs and his people believe that whoever originally set out to crash his plane must have found another way to get to their intended target.

Though that didn't help Luca Sciuto. Moments after his sister found him, DiNozzo was then forced to arrest him. It seems they have evidence of him being the one to kill the entire crew of the plane with a neurotoxin and so they had a few questions for him.

And Luca didn't want to answer of those questions without a lawyer. Apparently his big sister once told him to never speak to the police without a lawyer so he took that advice to heart and it was messing with the investigation. So Abby asked Gibbs for a favor. She asked that she been the one to question Luca seeing as she knew she could crack him.

And crack him, she did. Abby knew her brother was holding back on something and so she got him to admit that while he was drugged and dropped off at motel on the very same day he was supposed to board a private jet — he was protecting someone. Her name was Eva and Luca was so hung up on her that he didn't bother to ask any pertinent questions. Like what was her last name for instance.

But a caricature he had gotten of the two of them eventually led to Abby finally identifying the mysterious Eva. And Eva's last name was Azarova as in a Russian name. Which makes sense because she was a Russian spy that worked for Russian Counselor Anton Pavlenko.

Although Pavlenko said he didn't kill those people and that the chef who substituted for Luca was one of his own men. So Pavlenko had been in the middle of convincing Gibbs to team up in order to find out who the real threat was when suddenly he dropped dead. One second he had been enjoying his drink and the next he was dead.

Someone had poisoned him with the same neurotoxin that had been used earlier. And Gibbs, thinking quickly on his feet, realized the best place to take Pavlenko's body would be the New Orleans Medical Examiner.

The conclusion of the episode was aired as *NCIS New Orleans's* S02E12 episode titled "*Sister City, Part II*".

Déjà Vu

Season 13
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Season Episode: 13

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Guest Stars: Mike Bradecich (Former NSA Analyst Adam Connors), Shi Ne Nielson (FBI Special Agent Daisy Milner), Stephen Snedden (Jim Murphy), William Charlton (Metro P.D. Jeff Katz), Jean Paul San Pedro (Dan Dacey), Winston Story (Manny), Christine Garver (Tiffany Leonne), Shak Ghacha (Dominick Rubin), Devin McGinn (Stewart Dorfman), Leonard Robinson (Metro Police Officer Jackson), Morgan Obenreder (Navy Seaman Mary Burk), Anna Claire Sneed (Jane Murphy), Jackie Johnson (ZNN Meteorologist Chelsea Mills)
Production Code: 13013
Summary: An international human-trafficking ring that was believed to be shut down is uncovered when NCIS investigates the murder of a seaman who was set to testify before a grand jury. Meanwhile, McGee hopes to spend the night at a colleague's home after a storm causes massive power outages in the city.



Virginia State Police had called the NCIS about a body at one of their landfills. However, McGee ended up being presented with the wonderful opportunity of seeing his old friend Stewie at the very same landfill. Stewie you see had gone to MIT with McGee and Stewie had also studied Evolutionary Biology while he was there but despite his impressive degree — there was nothing Stewie loved more than trash. And therefore Stewie had been working at the landfill when he came across the body of Seaman Alessandria Ramos.

Ms. Ramos had been third generation Navy and by all accounts she had been exemplary at her job as well. So the NCIS couldn't have guessed why someone would harm her until a detective from DC Metro showed up. He said Ramos had been a witness of his and that she was going to testify for him in front of a grand jury.

Apparently Ramos had witnessed a shooting when she was driving home one night. And so she did the right thing. She took down the make, model, and the first three numbers of the license plate of the car that had been speeding away from the crime scene.

Detective Jeff Katz said that the police had her to thank for placing their murder at the scene of the crime. For not only was the shooting intentionally but it had been connected to an

escalating turf war in Columbia Heights. And therefore Ramos finally gave the police something to quell the ongoing violence. The man she had incriminated had been one of the gang leaders involved in the turf war and without him — his people would have most likely have settled their differences with the other side.

But Rubin later denied any and all involvement in Ramos's death. He said he has a younger brother that was currently serving and that he held a lot of respect for the military. Which of course the NCIS didn't believe.

Only Rubin had a motive to kill Ramos but as it turns out he didn't have a motive to hurt a Waverly University Student. Hair from Jane Murphy had been found on Ramos's body and there was connection between the two. So the agents looked into whether or not the women had ever cross paths and they found out that they had both attended a concert on the same night.

Security footage showed them entering but not leaving the building. So Gibbs theorized that they might have gone out the back and not willing. However, the autopsy done on Ramos had also tipped Bishop off.

Bishop it seems had once worked on an international joint task force between the NSA and the FBI. And they had been looking into Human Trafficking.

A group had literally set up shop overnight some years ago and it had begun to abduct college age students which they could then sell overseas. And eventually the joint task force had brought them all down. Though Bishop had remembered their trademark.

This group would usually implant trackers in the girls they had abducted and it would always be placed under the left armpit. So when it had been revealed that Ramos had a tracker planted under her left armpit, Bishop had wondered if her old task force had really captured everyone involve. So she asked Gibbs if she could follow up with her former associates on the case and she set up a meeting between herself and her old friends Daisy and Adam.

Daisy had still been working with the feds and so she was able to look into any college age missing girls and what she found out was that six of them had gone missing in the last two months. Therefore, someone was meeting a quota. And later Daisy had gone on to say that she could probably still find out more from her people when out of nowhere she had been shot before she could reveal anything to anyone. Including Bishop who suddenly found herself to be the only person left of the old task force.

Adam had told Bishop he was out after Daisy's death but he had given her his report from all those years ago. And so she Bishop had been reading through Adam's file, when her friends found a viable lead. They had found where the trackers had come from and was given access to the ones that had been bought by Vanderhusen Industries that had secretly been a front for traffickers.

So NCIS were able to use locators in revers to find where three of the girls had been hidden. And they had managed to rescued them at the Virginia Port Authority before they could be shipped overseas. But Bishop had some unfinished business with her old friend Adam and she decided to talk to him without any backup.

Bishop had apparently realized something while she had been reading Adam's report. She had realized that he had doctored everything that had happened all those years ago. And that such a situation would only make sense if he had been the one to restart the trafficking business. Therefore, he would also have been the one that could get close enough to Daisy to kill her.

And once Bishop had realized those things, she went to Adam's in order to bring him in. Though Gibb's timely appearance did give just enough leverage to shoot Adam before he could shoot her.

Decompressed

Season 13
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Season Episode: 14

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Director: Thomas J. Wright
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Chief M.E. Donald "Ducky" Mallard), Sean Murray (I) (Special Agent Tim McGee), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Emily Wickersham (Agent Ellie Bishop)
Guest Stars: Matthew Brenher (Mattias Groller), Tim Conlon (Jerry Grossman), John DeMita (Navy Admiral Jorge Morales), Aaron Hendry (Bob Mugford), Keston John (Mark Dominquez), David Paladino (Retired Navy Senior Chief P.O. Diego De La Rosa), Brett Rice (Captain RJ Hammond), Dahlia Salem (Maria De La Rosa), Greg Serano (Jalen Washington), Maya Stojan (Meredith Ragen), Henderson Wade (Sam Harper)
Production Code: 13014
Summary: A deep sea diver is murdered on the job, and his body and his suspected coworkers must remain in a high-tech decompression chamber for four days, which forces the NCIS team to undergo an unorthodox investigation from outside the tank.



Senior Chief P.O. Diego De La Rosa was a retired Navy man and therefore he gone on countless missions that tested both his stomach and his nerves. But he had never freaked out before so the diving team that he later joined had no reason to fear him.

De La Rosa had become part of an elite diving team that was supposed to be taking samples of saturation of the ocean floor in preparation of welding some oil pipelines. Yet the mission had gotten stalled when De La Rosa began

flipping out in the diving compartment and had been threatening one if not all of three of his fellow divers of poisoning him. So naturally the guys that were watching the entire scene play out over the security cameras called their boss. Who then authorized them to bring up the compartment from the sea and back onto the boat.

However, De La Rosa had been dead by time they did so and fortunately someone had been smart enough to call it in. And so that's how a retired Navy diver's death suddenly became an NCIS case though admittedly it was pretty hard to start an investigation without be able to go near the body. The compartment in which the corpse was in had to also undergo a decompression stage that would make the compartment to be opened without killing the three remaining divers.

So really Ducky was put in an awkward position on this one and he knew that he couldn't determine the cause of death from instant replay. And without being able to open the hatch, he simply chose to gather evidence another way. He got the three divers that were still stuck with the body to gather evidence for him but only McGee saw the problem with that.

McGee you see had questioned the part where they were using all of their suspects to gather evidence. He said that any one of them could tamper with the blood samples or merely contaminate everything. Yet NCIS had no other choice.

DiNozzo and Bishop had done the leg work on this one and they weren't finding anything. There was a diver with a burner phone, another that was heavily in debt, and one diver even had their military record sealed. So the one thing that they could give Gibbs was that the diving ship hadn't been working for the oil companies. If anything the ship had been leagues away doing something else but they must have lied to federal agents for a reason.

Though no one apparently was allowed to give a reason. The second Gibbs and McGee started to ask around, a lawyer showed up and chose to show everyone the nondisclosure agreement they had all signed. So that meant that no one abroad the ship was allowed to talk about what they were really doing on the ocean floor.

And the company that had hired everyone wanted to be extremely difficult, they had their lawyer to look into the case that NCIS had against the remaining divers. Which is why the autopsy that the guys had performed was ruled unethical. Apparently Ducky couldn't use a proxy to gather evidence.

Even though that very same evidence had proved that De La Rosa had been murdered. After his freak-out, the compartment had been brought up and the crew inside had to put on air masks just to make the journey. So the reason De La Rosa hadn't survived the trip was because someone had loosened the hose connected to his oxygen mask.

Though De La Rosa ended up sounding very familiar to another situation that had happened with one of the divers. Sam Harper had gone diving on a different mission and his partner on that one had died because of faulty hose as well. So the captain of Brandywyne had gone on to accuse Sam seeing as it was now twice that people have died around him.

But the guys had seen Meredith Ragan's sealed army record and they had found out she killed a guy with her bare hands because she had mistaken a translator for an insurgent. So if anyone had a violent tendency — it was her. And surprisingly she had a lot of other fun facts in her background check.

It seems she had known the lawyer from the company for quite some time so when they finally realized that she had killed De La Rosa because he had found out she was using waterproof closets on the ocean floor that was supposed to be later sold to the navy as way move weaponry — to instead smuggle drugs — they then realized who her partner in all of this must have been. And as the added cherry on top the lawyer gave them the drug cartel that behind everything.

He had once worked for the Suarez Cartel and so it wasn't much of a leap to assume that he was still working with them.

So that's how Meredith got her hands on enough cocaine to drug De La Rosa and she ended up killing him with a hose because the cocaine hadn't worked out like she planned. She must have thought it would cause a stroke but all it did was make him freakout because he knew that someone had poisoned him.

React

Season 13
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Season Episode: 15

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Writer: Jennifer Corbett
Director: Bethany Rooney
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Michael Weatherly (Special Agent Tony DiNozzo), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Chief M.E. Donald "Ducky" Mallard), Sean Murray (I) (Special Agent Tim McGee), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Emily Wickersham (Agent Ellie Bishop)
Guest Stars: Leslie Hope (Secretary of the Navy Sarah Porter), Joe Spano (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Christina Chang (NCIS Special Agent Valeri Page), Bruce Thomas (Richard Porter), Caitlin Carver (Megan Porter), Jake Borelli (Dean Campbell), René Ashton (Justine Wolfe), Brendan McCarthy (Owen Dixon), Herve Clermont (Christian Brodrick)
Production Code: 13015
Summary: NCIS and the FBI join forces when the daughter of Sarah Porter, the Secretary of the Navy, is kidnapped. McGee's childhood friend, NCIS Special Agent Valerie Page, assists the team with advance tactics training.



Megan Porter and her boyfriend had simply been taking their time on the way to school when a black SVU appeared out of nowhere and dragged the two teenagers inside, but luckily a witness saw the whole thing. And the Amber Alert had been quickly released by the authorities. Yet, Megan hadn't just been anyone. She had been the Secretary of the Navy's daughter and therefore her kidnapping became a crisis.

But, again, NCIS got lucky. Abby had immediately got to checking on the kidnapped teenagers' cell phone and she was eventually able to turn one of them on. As well as pick on its location.

So Dean Campbell, Megan's boyfriend, had actually been found alive because of Abby. It seems that while he was not part of the kidnapper's original plan, they had taken him out of necessity because they hadn't wanted him to raise the alarm before they managed to make their escape. Yet they did leave him gagged and tied up in an empty parking lot.

And what that means is that whoever had Megan had also not been willing to kill an innocent teenager simply for being in the wrong place at the wrong time.

These kidnappers simply assessed the situation and they hadn't killed Dean because they had thought he would be harmless. And thankfully that hadn't been true. Dean had later told the NCIS agents about the second car that the kidnappers had waiting for them in order to transport Megan and surprisingly the teenager had also able to identify the kidnappers' guns and military lingo. Dean apparently plays hours of video games so he knew what he was talking about and he knew for sure that kidnappers were military trained.

However, Secretary Porter didn't get to where she was by being friends with everyone. She was a woman in a high ranking position involved with a very traditional institute. So naturally there were some that begrudged Secretary Porter for her rise and possibly felt like her recent take on instilling women into other high-ranking positions within the Navy could be too much for them.

And Secretary Porter had in fact remembered one man in particular that appeared to have a problem with her policies. Commander Christian Broderick it seems had crossed a line when he tried to deny jobs to women under his command and he had also stepped on the Secretary's shoes by so. Therefore, she fired him and he lost out on a pretty good pension.

But Broderick didn't seem to bear the Secretary any ill-will. He said she had been to right to relieve him and he had put on a decent show for both Bishop and DiNozzo yet there was just something that didn't make sense. If Broderick hadn't wanted revenge on the Secretary, then how was he able to get his hands on ten million dollars?

Ten million is the exact number that the Secretary had taken out on her daughter as an insurance policy. She said that everyone in DC are ask to get ones for themselves and their children though she hadn't told anyone about that. Much less a man they all believed had been perfectly willing to spit in her face.

So the team as well as Special Agent Fornell and NCIS Special Agent Valerie Page had been wondering about where to look next when suddenly a ransom demands was made. The kidnapers naturally wanted a lot of money but not the full policy on Megan and they specifically asked that Secretary Porter be the one to make the drop off. Which was what she wanted to but no one allowed her to follow up on.

Apparently, the agents had all been in agreement about that one. They said the Secretary to risk falling into enemies' hands. And so they convinced her to let her ex-husband make the drop off. So Richard Porter and a few hidden agents had later showed up at the meeting place however all was not as it seemed.

The kidnapers hadn't wanted Richard. Therefore, they waited for him to drop off the money and had even let him see his daughter one last time before they then shot him. And sent off the bombs that were supposed to derail the NCIS agents.

So it hadn't been just about the money, there had also been another motive. Though the team knew that SECNAV wasn't going to like.

It seems that her ex-husband's girlfriend had been the mastermind behind the kidnapping. She was apparently about to lose everything and rather than ask for a loan — she kidnapped her rich boyfriend's daughter in hopes of extorting Megan's parents. But the woman's lies eventually fell apart after they had found her body.

Funny story! It appears that while Justine Wolfe had been prepared to double-cross her boyfriend, the guys she hired hadn't believed in honor amongst thieves. They just killed her and simply kept the ransom money for themselves.

And it turns out that Justine had hired mercenaries that used to work in a privatized army overseas but who had gotten brought up charges once Secretary Porter found out what they were really doing. So it had always about revenge for those guys and they were going to sneak Megan out of the country to further hurt Megan's mother.

But Gibbs and his agents showed up. And they were able to get Megan away from her kidnapers so the young woman had been returned to her family at the end of the day.

Although, now, Secretary Porter is wondering if she should quit her job!

Loose Cannons

Season 13

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Season Episode: 16

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Director: Alrick Riley
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Guest Stars: Jon Cryer (Dr. Cyril Taft), Scottie Thompson (Jeanne Benoit), Laura San Giacomo (Dr. Grace Confalone), David Chisum (Dr. David Woods), Michael Cram (ATF Special Agent Earl Kitt), Jodi Harris (Catherine Taft), Alice Hunter (Navy Petty Officer First Class Janet Shor), Walter Fauntleroy (Navy Petty Officer First Class Lamar Finn), Max E. Williams (Louis Shekian), Catherine Kamei (Nurse Ella)
Production Code: 13016
Summary: Dr. Taft experiences the rush of an NCIS case when he is assigned surgical duty on Gibbs' suspect and discovers some key evidence. Meanwhile, DiNozzo visits Jeanne Benoit to help chase a lead involving doctors in Sudan.



Dr. Cyril Taft apparently he had finally gotten Gibbs to agree to talk. However, before Cyril could talk Gibbs into seeing a proper therapist, they each received a call about a shooting at the Naval Ops Center. It seems that a group of armed men had broken into the facility to steal crates of military grade rifles as well as ammo when two petty officers came upon the scene. And had valiantly tried to stop the robbery.

And well Petty Officer Lamar Finn was found dead on arrival, but his patrol partner had survived the initial onslaught and she had managed to cripple one of the shooters. So it was this Fritz Beimler that Cyril had gotten the call about because the shooter desperately needed surgery. Yet Fritz later died on the operating table and Gibbs had somehow taken the death personally.

In fact, Gibbs had gone on to blame Cyril for making them lose their best lead into the missing crates of arsenal. And, though Gibbs did see sense in the end which had included an almost apology, Cyril had remembered that accusation and had tried to make it up to the guys by helping in whatever capacity he could. Starting with that strange scar he had seen on Fritz during surgery and that he thought Ducky should be aware of.

Cyril had mentioned the scar to Gibbs and, together with Ducky, the two men had opened Fritz open and had found a titanium plate installed in his forearm. Now that wasn't strange because Fritz may have needed it, but that plate had been much too big for his arm. As if it had actually been made for someone else.

So Abby ran the code found on the plate and she found out it had been installed in a catholic priest some years ago after he had been involved in a nasty accident. Father Gerard Carlin, you see, had been much beloved priest down in Texas and many had mourned him when he left the church to go do missionary work in South Sudan. And unfortunately the man was just never heard from again.

Although, Father Gerard had been the second Africa reference that the NCIS had because Fritz had also been in Africa six months ago. Right around the time that Interpol had lost track of him. So Gibbs had told DiNozzo to speak with their doctor friends that had worked in Sudan to see if they may have an information about the people they were looking for.

And sadly that required DiNozzo to see Jeanne again. Jeanne was kind of the love of his life and so DiNozzo didn't want to see her with her husband. But the boss gave him orders and Cyril decided to tag along just for the fun of it.

Which would have been fine if Cyril hadn't offered commentary. Cyril it seems had taken a guess at DiNozzo and Jeanne's former relationship and therefore he had made things extremely uncomfortable for DiNozzo. Especially when he asked if David also knew!

However, DiNozzo didn't think that David knew and so he asked Cyril to tone it down while he got to work. And later he finally got the chance to ask David and Jeanne about their work overseas though his question eventually reminded Jeanne of a different time. Like when he was looking for her father, the infamous arms dealer.

So DiNozzo had actually promised her that the case he was talking about had nothing to do with her dad. Yet he soon had to eat his words when they found out one of the men they were looking for happened to have worked with Renee Benoit in the past. And that meant they needed Jeanne's help in identifying the man going by the name "Oscar".

And naturally Jeanne hadn't been happy to hear her father's name. To be honest, she had blamed DiNozzo for lying to her again even though he had been telling her the truth when he said her father wasn't involved. But Jeanne had told them all she knew about Pierre.

"Pierre" had been her father's driver and he had worked for Renee for years. So he probably learned everything there was to know about arms dealing from Renee and may have also have used some of Renee's old tricks. Yet they had missed their chance on finding "Pierre" and had in fact run into another tactical team hunting the same man.

ATF had sent an agent to lead the investigation into the missing guns and, for some reason, Gibbs didn't trust Agent Kitt. He would later say that he had bad relationship with ATF in the past but he had a change of heart about his willingness to trust the other organization when someone had tried to bomb Cyril after the doctor had gotten too close on the case. So Gibbs decided to speak agent to agent with Kitt and he learned that ATF had secretly been tracking the guns since they were stolen.

Apparently, they had put a tracker on everything in case of it being stolen and it had been their organization's plan to see where the guns were going to be offloaded. Though Gibbs got Kitt to change his mind as well so he found the guys, including "Pierre", and he got justice for Petty Officer Finn.

But, just when it looked like Gibbs was to get out of doing therapy, Cyril played a fast one on him and he secretly set him up with his own therapist. Who somehow got Gibbs talking without the NCIS agent even realizing it.

After Hours

Season 13
Episode Number: 299
Season Episode: 17

Originally aired: Tuesday March 1, 2016
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Guest Stars: Margo Harshman (Delilah Fielding), Shannon Lucio (Amy Harrison), Virginia Williams (Leah Ramsey), Connie Jackson (Elaine), Scott Peat (Mitchell Grafton), Lachlan Buchanan (Navy Petty Officer Second Class James Muldoon), Saidah Arrika Ekulona (911 Dispatcher), Lazarus Jackson (Falls Church Police Officer)
Production Code: 13017
Summary: The NCIS agents' personal plans are interrupted when each of them catches errors in a seemingly cut-and-dry closed case. Meanwhile, McGee and Delilah argue over the importance of not talking about work during dinner; and DiNozzo bores his date with shop talk.



Falls Church Emergency Response received a strange call late one afternoon when a Naval Petty Officer called them to inform them about a man he shot.

Apparently Naval Petty Officer James Muldoon had shot someone in what had looked like self-defense after he noticed the victim had been attacking a young woman and had tried to intervene. So the case, from the outside looking in, had appeared as if it was going to be pretty open-shut. However, there was just something about Muldoon's story that didn't sit right

with Gibbs.

Although Gibbs didn't immediately tell anyone why he had been so suspicious of the Petty Officer. He merely took one look at the crime scene before he made up his mind and, afterwards, he had his people dig into both the victim and the Officer because he was looking for something. And hadn't honestly knew the right word for it at the time.

All that he did know was that there was something wrong with the Petty Officer's story. The young man claimed to have been driving back from grocery shopping when he spotted the victim holding a knife to the young woman's throat. So that's when Muldoon claimed he intervened. He said he stopped his car and quickly reached for his weapon in his glove compartment and that particular weapon ended up belonging to his grandfather who died back in January. Though Muldoon said he hadn't register the weapon because he hadn't been emotionally ready to even look at yet.

And then the story just continued to get stranger. Muldoon said he fired a warning shot that had allowed the young woman to get away, but that the man he would learn was Mitchell Grafton

had then set his sights on attacking him. Hence he shot off three rounds with the last shot being the luckiest.

So what was weird about that story was that McGee realized there could be no way for Muldoon to have seen the knife at anyone's throat because his car had been too far away and the knife hadn't exactly been large. And another thing that was strange, especially to DiNozzo, was that he knew Muldoon to be an expert marksman so why did it take three shots to take one man down?

Therefore, Gibbs's team eventually realized that he had a point when he made them dig into Muldoon because his story hadn't added up and yet the real clincher in this case had been when Ducky and Palmer found out that Grafton had been dead a full hour before Muldoon called "911". Well, it was actually fifty minutes to be precise. And in that time frame, someone had moved the body.

The medical examiners said that had Grafton had fallen on his right but they had found him on his left when they had collected them. So what was clear was that the crime scene had been tampered with. However, it was Gibbs that finally confirmed that the crime scene had in fact been staged because he had noticed from the very beginning that there hadn't been any blood splatter on the victim. Or on his knife.

Which would mean he hadn't been holding the knife at the time of his death and that his shooter hadn't been in immediate danger. So right there Muldoon stopped being a hero, but the only motive they could think of was the young woman that he had supposedly saved. Though both Amy Harrison and Muldoon claimed to not to have known each other before the incident.

And Abby proved that one was a lie when she caught on to their text messages that stretched back from three months ago.

Thus Gibbs had both Amy and Muldoon dragged in for questioning and he asked them why it had been Amy's DNA found on the bullets. Abby had apparently run some diagnostics she found when she went back to the crime scene. And it showed that Amy had loaded the murder weapon so all the NCIS was why?

As in why did she shoot Grafton and claimed it had been Muldoon? But the answer ended up being a heartbroken one. It seems that Amy had known the victim in Juvenile Hall where he had been a guard and she had gone in for a drug charge because of the pot found in her locker. And there, Grafton had sexually assaulted for all eight months she was locked up. Which would make sense seeing as he does have a rap sheet

And Amy would go on to say that she didn't even remember following. She just did it and then he realized she was up to something. So she had to shoot him for her own safety and, out of sheer panic, she called "Jim".

Her very good friend that happens to be in love with her, but who had known what she had gone through and has been protecting her ever since. And, really, no one wanted to blame him for that so no one wanted to pursue obstruction charges.

And they told Amy that she had a pretty good case for self-defense.

Scope

Season 13
Episode Number: 300
Season Episode: 18

Originally aired: Tuesday March 15, 2016
Writer: Gary Glasberg, Gina Lucita Monreal
Director: Tony Wharmby
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Guest Stars: Taye Diggs (Gunnery Sergeant Aaron Davis), Laura San Giacomo (Dr. Grace Confalone), Samantha Logan (Riley Davis), Christopher Goodman (NCIS Special Agent Michael West), Paul Bartholomew (Spencer Dodd), Maureen Sebastian (Elaine Dodd)
Production Code: 13018
Summary: The team re-examines an ambush on a group of Special Ops snipers six months ago in Iraq, after an American couple is attacked in the same area. When Gibbs discovers he needs the account of the lone survivor, he tries to connect with the wounded warrior who is being treated for PTSS at Walter Reed Medical Center.



An American couple and their guide were targeted in the Anbar Province of Iraq. A sniper had apparently laid in wait for them before he shot and killed all three. Yet, the NCIS Special Agent that was on the ground in Iraq later told the director that there were no witnesses to the crime and that the shot must have been fired miles away. Thereby the Americans that were still in that country were no longer just dealing with insurgents, they were suddenly dealing with insurgents that had seemingly become adept at high

powered rifles that they shouldn't have access to.

So Director Vance had said that the Iraq police could do things their way, but he wanted the Americans to be brought to the states where Gibbs and his people can investigate the crime. Apparently one of the Americans that had been killed was Chief Petty Officer Elaine Dodd and she had only been in Iraq for recreational purposes because her husband had been sent there for his work, And therefore she hadn't been in uniform or was seen in uniform when she was in Iraq yet the couple had been targeted.

And there must have been a reason for that!

However, Abby ended up doing what she could with the information she received and she found out the weapon used to kill three people had been American. It was called the XR-30 and only an elite group had access to the weapon because weapon was considered highly dangerous. It had the power of gun, yet the mind of a computer. Meaning the sniper didn't even have to have skill. All they had to do was train the gun on someone and the computer would perfect the shot.

And with a gun like that, that's why it was only given to people the government knew could handle it. Yet some months ago there had been an incident. An elite group, as in the one that

received the gun, had been attacked by insurgents and only one person had walked away from the incident. Gunnery Sergeant Aaron Davis had survived the onslaught but he had lost a leg and also received many injuries to his body that was going to need years of physical therapy.

But there was nothing physically stopping Davis from talking to Gibbs besides his own stubbornness. The Gunnery Sergeant had claimed not to remember a single thing to his therapist and his PTSD had given some the impression he didn't want to talk about what happened even if he did remember it. So Gibbs had a lot on his hands with Davis. He knew that the man needed time however that was the one thing he couldn't afford him.

So Gibbs had his people question Davis's daughter to see if she could give them any insight into her dad. Although her father only saw her the once after he had gotten back and he's refused to see her for months afterwards because he didn't want to answer any of her questions. And it turns out she's pretty into details so questions were her forte.

The teenager had told Bishop and McGee everything she knew about her father and how he used to love to sing. Yet she also mentioned that she got her eye for detail from her father. Who was a sniper himself and probably got a clear look at the group that had attacked his men seeing as he would have been looking at the insurgents from the scope on his weapon. Though Gibbs had come to the same conclusion and that's why he knew Davis remembered what he saw. And the only reason he had his people running around was because that was the only way to give Davis some breathing room.

And when Davis was ready, he did give Gibbs some good intel. He said he hadn't gotten clear look at faces what with his hideout and their masks obscuring his view though he had overheard one insurgent whispering to his men. Which hadn't seemed plausible to Abby because these friends must have been a good distance away, but again Gibbs had figured out what Davis was saying.

Davis had overheard the man whispering because that insurgent had been recording the attack for a propaganda film. A film that should be out there or at most have similar videos that Abby could track. So as she got to working on that, the rest of the guys were following their other piece of evidence. Namely the man that had come into the states on Spencer Dodd's passport.

Apparently the guys had originally believed Elaine and Spencer were targeted because of her job in the navy yet it appeared the real reason they were was because an insurgent knew that he could pass off as Spencer. Then enter the United States where he would go the motel that has been receiving international shipments. That proved to be pieces of the XR-30 that he wanted to sneak into the country.

Thus Abby had a two for one streak of genius. She found herself a new lead that gave her bright ideas and thanks to it she was able to find insurgent they were looking for whose real name was Mathew Cross. Cross being a former British SAS agent that had grown up Iraq because of his missionary parents that had stayed on in the region following the Gulf war. And so Cross hadn't stayed on in Iraq because his business in the states had been personal for him.

Cross had made numerous statements as well as videos in the past where he claimed big businesses were destroying the region and he called them the oppressors. So one of these oppressors proved to be an associate with Saudi Arabia and had oil deals in that country plus many others in the middle east. And ultimately the only way to stop Cross was to shoot him.

Though, thankfully, Gibbs had borrowed Davis's weapon and he was able to make the shot before anyone else were hurt.

So in a way Davis and Gibbs helped each other. Davis took Gibbs back to his old days as a sniper and Gibbs got Davis to leave his room. And simply face the world again.

Reasonable Doubts

Season 13
Episode Number: 301
Season Episode: 19

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Director: Thomas J. Wright
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Guest Stars: Frank Crim (Dave), Vincent Duvall (Holt), Pauley Perrette (Abby Sciuto), Robert Wagner (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.)
Production Code: 13019
Summary: A Navy Public Affairs officer is murdered, and the victim's wife and mistress accuse each other of the crime. Meanwhile, Anthony DiNozzo Sr. helps a homeless woman who believes he is her father.



Apparently the NCIS got the call about a body at Pax River. A young journalist in charge of detailing all of the navy's newest protocols for their civilian newspaper had been shot found dead in his own yet things became confusing after the local police asked the two witnesses at the scene what happened. Laurence Jennings's wife Angela claimed that she had seen Joann Allman shoot her husband and that she had hidden in the bathroom to call 911. Though Joann who just happens to be the victim's mistress

had had a claim of her own. She said that it was Angela that had shot Laurence and that she called 911 out of fear for her own life.

So this situation was a bit out there at best and no one at NCIS knew who could they believe? They could have gone with Angela's story in which she said her husband had agreed to stop seeing Joann and thus Joann had killed Laurence because he was going to leave her. But if they went with Joann's story then they would have to believe that Laurence had finally agreed to ask for a divorce from Angela because he wanted to be with Joann and Angela killed him for it.

Either way, though, Laurence was dead and there were two women that were claiming they saw the other shot him and that fought over the gun before they became the next victim. Therefore, there was gun residue on both of their hands and the only thing that NCIS could rely was on other people's testimonies. Yet even that proved to be faulty.

Neighbors claim that Angela had often berated her husband and that they always felt bad for him seeing as he was such a nice guy however Joann didn't exactly have a spotless record herself. Joann who was a lawyer had gotten laid off by her third rate firm for a supposed pattern of professional misconduct. So while Angela may not have been the greatest wife, Joann was also skirting permanent disbarment.

And although the story was murky, the NCIS team were actually divided on this one. Bishop had been the one to question the wife and she had come to see how angry Angela had truly been

so she was left with the impression that Angela truly did kill her husband. However, DiNozzo had his money riding on the mistress. He had questioned Joann and his gut had told him that she was in fact guilty.

Yet, both of them had more than enough to count as motive. Angela it seems had shopping addiction that led to her being forty thousand dollars in credit card debt so her husband had been forced to cut up her credit card and the police were even later called after witnesses had reported Angela physically assaulting Laurence. So Angela could have killed her husband for the two million dollar life insurance policy, but Joann could have killed him for a similar financial situation.

Laurence had apparently been paying for everything in Joann's life as well. Thus she may have killed him after she found out that he had stopped paying for the lease on her car as well as putting an end to her many cosmetic surgeries. And so the women both still looked guilty despite everything NCIS had found though there was literally no evidence to prove who was lying and who was telling the truth.

The women had tried to go down the lie detector route yet most of their answers were inconclusive and the one thing they had both been sure about was that they didn't kill Laurence. So, at first when they were getting nowhere, Gibbs had to tell the director that they couldn't take either woman to court seeing as there would be reasonable doubt. But then Abby tried something. She ran a simulation through her computer to prove who was standing where and she found out that neither of the two women could actually claim to have seen anything.

They had both been too far from the victim to have honestly witnessed the other shooting him. Therefore, they were both lying about what they had reportedly seen and the only reason they would have done so was if they had come to some sort of agreement. That made them blame each other as a way to throw so much confusion that neither the police no NCIS would able to prove a single thing.

However, DiNozzo hadn't waited around for the answer to that question. He had been with his father who recently decided to go looking for a project for his later years and had ultimately chosen to take on an unfortunate homeless woman that had mistakenly believed he was her father. He wasn't, yet he had felt for the younger woman. Who was obviously suffering from a mental illness.

So took Susan to the hospital and she had been diagnosed with a tumor though that wasn't all of it. Susan it seems had believed DiNozzo Sr. was her father because a part of her had known that she wouldn't survive her diagnosis and so she had wanted to reconnect with her own dad. That sadly passed away years ago after the two had a falling over her being gay.

And therefore it didn't matter that Susan wasn't related to them because DiNozzo and his dad wanted to at least be there for her towards the end. Thus they ended up just continuing to pretend in order for her still have her father and brother by her side.

But as for the case, it turned out that neither of them women were guilty of murder. They simply had gotten an email from Laurence saying that he was going to kill himself because they had ruined his life. So the only way that Angela could collect on the life insurance policy was for her to agree to split to money with Joann. And then cover up the suicide that would have voided the policy.

Charade

Season 13
Episode Number: 302
Season Episode: 20

Originally aired: Tuesday April 5, 2016
Writer: Brendan Fehily
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Guest Stars: Virginia Williams (Leah Ramsey), Matt McCoy (Senator Thomas Bransfield), Jonathan Kells Phillips (Senator Shawn Kelly), Ben Giroux (Tiny Tony), Adam Mayfield (Tall Tony), Sharon Brathwaite (Lisa Marsden), Brad Lee Wind (Metro PD Sgt. John Dunn), Daniel Cummings (Sheriff's Deputy Hicks), Tina Grimm (Christina)
Production Code: 13020
Summary: After Tony's identity is stolen by multiple perpetrators, the fake Special Agent DiNozzos begin blackmailing Senators.



SECNAV was invited to a very posh sort of party, one that the Director knew he couldn't take Gibbs so he decided to go with DiNozzo. However, Agent DiNozzo hadn't expected the reception he was going to get at that party when people heard his name and just assumed he should be avoided.

In fact, DiNozzo was still wondering how two senators had heard about him when one such senator handed him an envelope filled with thousands of dollars. Yet DiNozzo hadn't gone to Gibbs or even

the Director with his concerns or with that envelope of cash. So he was trying to figure out what to do and was actually in the middle of asking for help from Bishop and McGee when Gibbs came running into the office. And reported that there had been a body identified as Special Agent DiNozzo found out in Virginia.

So it was weird. Though, it didn't take DiNozzo long to make a connection between what happened to him earlier and the man that had stolen his identity. And then apparently used it to blackmail more than one person if the briefcase found in the back of that car was anything to go by.

But Gibbs's first question had been about the money. He had wanted to know and had later asked DiNozzo why he hadn't he reported that Senator Bransfield had given twenty thousand dollars. Gibbs for one thought that particular piece of information should have been mentioned before they went over to collect Phony Tony. And pretty much everyone (including Director Vance) had wanted to know why Bransfield was willing to pay?

The Phony Tony had turned out to be Scott Byers. Byers had been a part-time waiter and part-time Uber driver yet he had managed to steal DiNozzo's identity and had also ran up some credit card debt. However, the team had been mostly concerned with what Byers did to the Senator

Bransfield after he couldn't open up a new credit card in DiNozzo's name. So they had asked the Senator to come in.

And once the situation had been explained, the Senator had been more than relieved to find out his blackmailer died however he refused to help with the investigation. The Senator merely told the guys good luck and he then left their office believing his secret was finally safe. Yet it wasn't. Abby had stayed outside of the door while the Senator was talking so she knew he wasn't going to hand over information and so she decided to hack him.

She broke into his phone digitally and she found the guilty email from the man claiming to be Tony. It seems there had been a picture of the Senator with a lovely wife that was not his wife. So the blackmailer had asked for twenty thousand and had even had the nerve to sign the email with "Love, Tony". And if that wasn't enough then Abby had still been logged in when Bransfield's blackmailer sent him a new email.

The new email said that he had missed their drop-off and that he was going to get a second chance before the photo was released. Although, everyone had thought this problem was going to go away after Phony Tony died. So it proved to be disappointing to find out there had been more than one Phony Tony out there. And that DiNozzo hadn't realized that three different people had stolen his identity.

Abby had traced the email to a server and so that's how she found out that Senator Matheson as well Senator Kelly were also being blackmailed. But DiNozzo had come up with solution to capturing all the Phony Tonys out there in one fell swoop. He had McGee show up at the next money drop as Senator Matheson and Gibbs as Senator Bransfield seeing as the only senator that was safe with his blackmailer dead was Senator Kelly. And that way they could actually capture the blackmailers in the act.

Which they did, but it still ended up upsetting DiNozzo. DiNozzo had unfortunately been the one to interview the men pretending to be him and he had found out that they had been hired by some woman to impersonate him for five grand. Yet, the truly upsetting part had been when the guys told DiNozzo that he had been easy to copy.

They mentioned how he's been at the same job and same apartment for years. And how he didn't have a wife or a family of his own. So the guys had certainly driven it home when they said that he was predictably boring and that he didn't have a life. Though DiNozzo got the last laugh when he threatened them with twenty years in jail if they didn't help NCIS catch the woman that hired them.

So the fakes offered to do what they could. But all they could do was show up where they were supposed to leave the money for their boss. Therefore, Abby had to make sure that the cameras were trained on the locker that the woman had to open and then she had to hope the woman would turn around in order to face the cameras.

And thankfully she did. The woman that had stolen DiNozzo's identity had been Leah Ramsay. The socialite that DiNozzo had tried to date though their first date had been a bust. So DiNozzo had promptly forgot about her until he saw that it had been her in the security footage and then realized he had no way of contacting her.

DiNozzo had thrown her email after their first date and Bishop had later tried to find her, but there was no Leah Ramsay matching the woman's description. So Leah hadn't even been her real name and so all they did have on their mystery woman had been her fingerprints. Which she had left on the bottle of wine that DiNozzo had only bought to impress her with.

So Leah's real name had been Elizabeth Elliott. Elizabeth having gone off the grid since 2009 although she had a rap sheet a mile long before she did her disappearing trick. Apparently she was wanted for fraud and embezzling so they thought it was going to be a closed case once they brought her in. Yet, she surprised them.

When NCIS finally caught up with Elizabeth, she hadn't fought them. To be honest, she had wanted to make a deal. Elizabeth told Gibbs that she was willing to testify against Senator Kelly if he made a deal with no jail time. So Gibbs could have let her get away with everything yet he chose to find the person she had hidden inside of Kelly's office because that was the only she could have blackmailed him.

And so after they found her accomplice, the team were also able to find Byers's killer. It turns out he was going to tell so Elizabeth's friend ran him off the road to keep their blackmail a secret.

Return to Sender

Season 13

Episode Number: 303

Season Episode: 21

Originally aired: Tuesday April 19, 2016
Writer: Christopher J. Waild
Director: Leslie Libman
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Guest Stars: Tiffany Ariany (Guest Star), Andy Beckwith (Chester Grimm), Jill Czarnowski (Guest Star), Alan Dale (Guest Star), David Gunning (Brad Darbenian), Dan Hildebrand (Guest Star), Anna Lee Lawson (Sandra Billingsley), Vera Miao (Pamela Cook), Vince Nappo (Guest Star), Douglas Olsson (Zaynak Darbenian)
Production Code: 13021
Summary: NCIS partners with the FBI and Homeland Security when two British prisoners, including a former spy, escape and arrive in the U.S. via a shipping container. Meanwhile, McGee goes apartment hunting and becomes determined to find out how DiNozzo purchased his lavish place.



A dead body was found in a shipping container: apparently the body of Sandra Billingsly, who had been a prison guard at a British prison, had been shipped from the United Kingdom to the United States right after a prison break three weeks ago. So naturally, after Sandra had been found, the authorities searched the rest of the container and they eventually came to a conclusion after they saw two prison uniforms also inside. And that's why the U.S. government believe two escaped prisoners had somehow smuggled

their way onto their shores, but later there appeared to be some problem with jurisdiction.

Gibbs had told his people that this was their case because they had put one of the prisoners away. In fact, NCIS probably knew more about Jacob Scott than his own government did and so they knew Jacob hadn't been a killer when he went inside. Jacob just hadn't been a vicious person. Though he had been traitor because he used to be a MI6 agent when out of nowhere he went rogue and NCIS had to arraigned him for espionage.

Yet, Jacob had mostly carried out a victimless crime unlike his partner on the other hand. Cassio Chaves had killed a family member because he believed he couldn't trust them. So Cassio was already a killer when he went inside and odds are he had been the one to kill Sandra after the two took her hostage during a routine prison transfer.

Only Ducky honestly had a hard time on determining Sandra's cause of death. There hadn't been any distinctive wounds on the body beside what looks like fertility treatments. But, while Gibbs kept trying to run point on this investigation, he kept having to check in with his old friend

Tobias. Tobias and several of his FBI flunkies had showed up at the initial crime scene claiming they had jurisdiction so a third party had to decide who should do what. And unfortunately that higher authority said they had to work together.

And that just wasn't going to happen the way their boss thought it was. For instance, Gibbs and Tobias continuously tried to put themselves ahead of the other as if they were competing though they did occasionally remember their friendship when Gibbs noticed Tobias's phone kept ringing and teased him about it. Yet, Gibbs hadn't really wanted to hear about how Tobias has taken to online dating. So they stopped "sharing" the second Tobias started to mention his sex life.

However, the case itself had taken an unexpected turn. Everyone had thought that Sandra had started out as a hostage and had been killed in order to keep the prisoners' whereabouts a secret, but Abby found a magazine in the container and she traced it back to Sandra. Which means Sandra had been an accomplice the entire time and that her death had sadly been an accident.

Sandra who was undergoing fertility treatments had probably tried to start a family with one of the men she helped escape (i.e. she was slightly delusional) however her death hadn't been planned. Sandra apparently hadn't gotten enough air in the container so she slowly withered away from oxygen deprivation. But, as it turns out, Jacob wasn't as timid as everyone thought. And later he appeared to be the true mastermind of everything.

Although they didn't what was his grand plan. Jacob's closest friend Miranda had been murdered and a shipment of guns had been apprehended. So it was assumed that Jacob wanted to get back into the espionage game. Only what no one counted on was that he would take a hostage, a real one that time, and use Director Vance's keycard to break into the Navy's files.

So by time McGee, Gibbs, and Tobias figure out what was going, Jacob had already gotten what he wanted. Jacob had taken a single file from their server and oddly it hadn't been classified or even recent. It had been an old file that didn't appear to have any significance yet it had meant something to Jacob who had taken a great risk to get his hands on it.

But there was something strange about the file he had taken. On the service it had looked pretty harmless though the file detailed a joint operation between the Americans and the British and the operation itself was classified. So Bishop may or may not have been asked to hack into their allies' computer files to find out why Jacob had wanted that particular file.

And so the guys were waiting for the results of that when Cassio was found. Cassio it seems had split up with his partner the second they had made it onto U.S. and the reason behind that had been drugs. Cassio had gotten cleaned in prison, but Sandra had apparently been the love of his life. So he began using again after she died and he had freely admitted to killing everyone they had found because he said the drugs make him get that way.

Only Cassio had never realized that he had been set-up until Gibbs and Tobias told him. Unfortunately, Cassio thought Jacob had introduced him to Sandra out of the goodness of his heart so it had come as quite a shock that he played the two to get them to bring the states. Where he reportedly had some unfinished business.

Jacob's partner, you see, had told the agents why Jacob had come back to the states. He said Jacob was out for blood because NCIS killed his wife. However, there was no record of Jacob even having a wife so things didn't make sense for a while though Bishop had ultimately found the answer. Bishop said the Juniper Strike was a 2002 raid in the middle east and there appeared to be one major casualty — a young woman that Jacob had been selling secrets to.

So that woman must have been Jacob's wife, but that meant the list of NCIS agents that worked that case was in danger.

And neither Gibbs nor Tobias got to the former Homeland Divisional officer in time to warn him.

Homefront (1)

Season 13
Episode Number: 304
Season Episode: 22

Originally aired: Tuesday May 3, 2016
Writer: Gina Lucita Monreal, Jennifer Corbett
Director: Dennis Smith
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Guest Stars: Stephen Oyoung (Navy Captain Andrew Hubbard), Benjamin Stockham (Henry Marshall), Marla Aaron Wapner (DC Tourist), Randall Yarbrough (Micky Doyle), Michelle Obama (Herself)
Production Code: 13022
Summary: A 14 year old foils a home invasion but Gibbs suspects the teen is withholding pertinent details. Meanwhile, Vance and Senior FBI agent Fornell travel to London to investigate a case involving an escaped British spy. Later, First Lady Michelle Obama welcomes Gibbs to the White House for a "Joining Forces" roundtable with military spouses.



The episode kicks off with a soldier saying goodbye to his teenage son. He's heading to Iraq, he tells his son to look after his sister and his mother for him. After his father is deployed, there is a home invasion at their house. The cops find the teen hiding in the closet holding a gun, he shakily tells the cops he "had to do it."

McGee, Abby, Ducky and Bishop head to a diner for breakfast after Tom Morrow's funeral. Abby wonders when Tony will be back — he went to London to track down leads on Jacob Scott, Tom Morrow's

killer. Gibbs barges in and interrupts their conversation — there was a shooting.

Gibbs and his team head to the house where the teen by was hiding in the closet. His name is Henry, there was a burglar in his house with a knife and Henry shot him in the leg and he got away. McGee questions Henry's mom — she says she had already left for work and Henry was home alone. He was the only one who seen the intruder.

Back at the office, Leon briefs Gibbs and TC on Tony's progress in London. Tony got contact information on a woman from MI6 named Jessica Terdei, she may lead them to Scott. Leon announces that he is going to London to find Terdei, and TC is going with him. Road trip!

Bishop update Gibbs on the home invasion case — they got the DNA test back on the blood at the crime scene, it matches a career criminal named Doyle. They have BOLO out on his RV, but no luck yet. Henry's mother is a successful assistant district attorney, and his father Sgt. David Marshall is a career Marine — Gibbs says that the break-in may not have been random. He tells Bishop to look in to it.

Gibbs sits down with Henry and his mother, Anne says she doubts her job made them a target because she hasn't been a lawyer since they left California. She has to take the West Virginia bar

exam. Right now she is working as a secretary to pay the bills because her sister's medical bills drained them financially. McGee shows Henry a photo of Doyle and he confirms that he is the intruder. They still haven't been able to get a hold of Henry's father David — communication at his base in Iraq is down at the moment.

Gibbs heads downstairs to check on Abby. She confirms that the bullet from the Marshall's gun was what shot at Doyle. But, Henry lied to them. He told them he got the gun from the safe when he saw the man in the house. But, the safe is electronic and logs timestamps when it is opened. The safe was opened two days ago — that means that Henry has been carrying the gun around for two days, he didn't just grab it during the break-in.

McGee takes Henry out to the diner to try and get the truth from him. Henry confesses that he was walking down the street a few days ago and he saw Doyle stab and kill another man in the alley. That's why he got the gun out two days ago, he knew that Doyle was going to come and kill him to keep him quiet.

McGee fills Gibbs in on what he learned from Henry. There are two stabbing victims at the morgue that match the description Henry gave them — but neither of them were found in an alley. It is possible that the body was moved though. Gibbs meets with Henry's mom Anne, he tells her that they have to put her and the kids in protective custody.

Gibbs heads to the local police station and meets with Det. Swanson — he brings Henry along. Henry looks at the photos of the two stab victims, but he can't make a positive ID. Gibbs shows him the crime scene photos, but Henry insists that neither of the two guys are the ones that he saw Doyle stab and kill.

Meanwhile in London, TC and Leon track down Hugo, Jessica Terdei's Uncle. He pulls a shot gun on them and tries to kick them out when he learns they work for NCIS and FBI. Leon explains that Jessica might be Scott's next victim or know where he is — Hugo finally agrees to take them to his niece.

Bishop and Abby head to the alley where Henry says he witnessed the stabbing, but they can't find a single drop of blood. They are beginning to doubt his story. Gibbs is with Henry — he swears that he is telling the truth. While they are talking, a news broadcast comes on the TV, a body was just pulled out of the river — a convicted drug dealer named Wayne Woods. Henry recognizes him and says that is the guy that he saw Doyle stab.

Ducky gets to the work examining Wayne Woods' body — he confirms that he was definitely stabbed to death before he was thrown in the river. And, Abby found traces of Doyle's DNA under his fingernails. It looks like Henry was telling the truth, but it still don't make any sense that there was no blood in the alley.

They finally find Doyle's RV, and they find Doyle inside ... dead. Henry turns up missing — McGee finds him hiding in the alley, the same alley where he says he saw Doyle first. He tells him that Doyle is dead and convinces him to come back to the safe house.

In London, Leon and TC sit down with Jessica Tereid, she says that there is more to the case than what was in the files. She says that there was a leak during the Scott investigation. Tereid says the leak was at NCIS, and Morrow buried it. While they are talking — someone arrives at the house and opens fire, everyone ducks for cover and manages to avoid being shot. Afterwards, Leon calls Gibbs and tell shim to be careful — there is a mole at NCIS.

Abby gets to work with the evidence from Doyle's RV to try and find his killer. They think whoever killed Doyle also cleaned the alley to tie up loose ends. McGee finally gets a lead — someone accessed the security cameras and that is how they found out where Henry lived. The person that accessed the cameras is none other than the Harpers Ferry Police — Det. Kristin, the one helping Gibbs on the case. They head to the police station and arrest her, she's a dirty cop.

After the case is closed, Gibbs rushes to the White House to meet with Henry's mom Anne and Michelle Obama. He reached out to an organization called Joining Forces to help military families, he pulled some strings to try and help Anne get certified to practice law in West Virginia. Afterwards, Anne and Gibbs head back to their house and they have another surprise waiting — they were able to get Sgt. Marshall off the base and he flew home to check on them.

TC is helping Jessica get settled, they brought her back from London to keep her safe, and he realizes there is an intruder — someone dressed in black breaks in to TC's house and shoots him and Jessica Tereid up close and personal ... then leaves them for dead.

Dead Letter (2)

Season 13
Episode Number: 305
Season Episode: 23

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Guest Stars: Juliette Angelo (Emily Fornell), Mia Barron (Guest Star), Sarah Clarke (FBI Special Agent Tess Monroe), David Dayan Fisher (Trent Kort), Duane Henry (MI6 Officer Clayton Reeves), Kamal Jones (Paramedic), Vince Nappo (Jacob Scott), Damian O'Hare (Guest Star), Taja V. Simpson (Guest Star), Adria Tennor (Guest Star)
Production Code: 13023
Summary: The NCIS team, alongside the FBI and MI6, continue an international manhunt for an escaped British spy who has left one colleague fighting for their life in ICU.



Jacob Scott's one-man vendetta has managed to hit too close to home. Jacob was somehow able to track down one of the members involved in his wife's death and break into the safehouse that Tobias was covering. However, while Tobias hadn't been Jacob's objective, the former MI6 Agent no longer about who was right or wrong. And he shot Tobias just to get him out of the way.

So Jacob was doing well as he worked through the list of everyone he blamed for the death of his wife, but he also managed

to make a bigger enemy out of Gibbs by targeting his close friend Tobias. Tobias and Gibbs have always had a tricky relationship what with them being married to the same woman albeit at different times in their lives. Yet, they were able to move pass that and become friends. And Gibbs has proven how close he was to Tobias and his family when he helped avenged Diane's death.

But in the aftermath of Tobias's shooting, his first concern had been about Tobias's daughter's safety. The teenager was all Tobias had in the world and she had recently lost her mother. So Gibbs knew that Emily couldn't lose her father as well. And therefore he later complied when she asked him as her father's power of attorney to rip up Tobias's DNR.

Tobias it seems had had it one file for quite some time, but Emily thought her dad must have filled that out in the wake of her mother's death. So she didn't believe that he had been in the right mind frame and she kindly reminded Gibbs (as well as threatened her father's doctor) that her father was a fighter. Tobias would fight to live and he would fight to stay with his daughter. Though, the doctor herself had been a little displeased when Gibbs chose take Emily's side and disregard her patient's standing DNR so she might have mentioned that he shouldn't make decisions based off of emotions.

Only that's what Gibb was already doing with the manhunt for Jacob Scott. The FBI had sent over another agent to replace Tobias in the field and for some reason Gibbs tried to work around her rather than with her. So all that led to one undermining the other. Yet, Agent Monroe was actually helpful and Gibbs began to see that once he stopped fighting what he thought was her intrusion on his case.

FBI Special Agent Monroe had spoken to former NCIS Agent Dresser's ex-wife and the two were able to build up a rapport that let the ex feel comfortable enough to reveal what she knew about her husband. The two had divorced before his retirement and so she didn't know where he had gone underground yet she did know that someone had dropped off a potted plant for her on what would have been a special occasion. So Abby was later able to get her hands on that plant and run a diagnostic of what was used. And where it originated from.

Though unfortunately NCIS had been a little too late in rescuing Dresser. Jacob had already got to him by then and the two men that were left with the dead body weren't his people. One of the men had been MI6 Officer Clayton Reeves and the other was CIA Operative Trent Kort. Clayton who was a known associate of DiNozzo's had come to the states to hunt Jacob when he had come across Dresser. However, Kort had gotten involved because he had actually known Dresser and the two had even been friends.

So the hunt for Jacob Scott had become personal for more than just Gibbs. Yet, things began to unravel as to why Jacob was doing what he was doing. The spy that had turned on his own country had initially appeared to be on a mission to avenge his wife though that didn't explain what NCIS later found. DiNozzo and Bishop had found Jacob's safehouse and they noticed that he had left behind a message for them. And in it he stated that they should stop hunting him before more people got hurt.

And, well, that didn't seem understandable. If Jacob's sole mission was to hunt and kill everyone he blamed for his wife then why would he suddenly stop if NCIS agreed not to pursue him. But the one thing that did become clear was that Jacob wasn't going to be completely his vendetta list. The last person on it had been former NCIS Agent Allen Kane and it turns out that Kane had been the one to provide Jacob with Dresser's address in exchange for fifty grand. So whatever issues he may have with Kane was quickly resolved.

Yet, if NCIS wanted to figure out what Jacob was truly doing on US soil then he had to find out what happened in his case. Jacob had been caught selling intel on nuclear information to Russia in 2002 and he had tried as an enemy to the UK and its allies. Only there was nothing in his file that connected him to Ziva and recent information they managed to get on Jacob showed he was looking for her. So just as they were able to get Kort to hand them the CIA official file on Jacob, that's when everything took an abrupt turn.

Tobias was thankfully on the mend so he woke up for a couple of minutes and handed his daughter some information to pass on to Gibbs. It seems Tobias had found out which cell phone that Jacob was using and so NCIS were able to put a tracker on it. And that's when they found out Jacob was in the building. Their building which just so happens to be NCIS headquarters.

Although Jacob hadn't been on planning anything nefarious. He had actually come to them because he was framed for the murders and wanted to clear his name of that as well as espionage. So that's why he was looking for Ziva. Ziva's father had proof that he was innocent and he was hoping she had inherited her father's files. And therefore be able to clear his name however if Jacob was telling the truth then they had to look at who would set him up.

And when suspicion finally fell on Kort, it was too late. Kort had made a run for it, but before he set Ziva's father's house on fire and that's reportedly where she was currently staying. So NCIS were left wondering if Kort managed to get to Ziva as a way to stop her from handing over her father's files.

Family First (3)

Season 13
Episode Number: 306
Season Episode: 24

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Director: Tony Wharmby
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Guest Stars: Robert Wagner (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.), Sarah Clarke (FBI Special Agent Tess Monroe), Duane Henry (MI6 Officer Clayton Reeves), Juliette Angelo (Emily Fornell), Mia Barron (Doctor), Christopher Boyer (Doctor Edgar Polk), William Duffy (Head of Security Harris Cobb), David Dayan Fisher (Trent Kort), Emelia Golfieri (Tali), Layla Golfieri (Tali), Yorgos Karamihos (Interpol officer Kohl), Vince Nappo (Jacob Scott), Laura San Giacomo (Dr. Grace Confalone), Joe Spano (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Cote de Pablo (Ziva David), Marina Sirtis (Orli Elbaz)
Production Code: 13024
Summary: NCIS, the FBI and MI6 are engaging in an international manhunt for an escaped British spy who is targeting current and former agents.



The fire at the late Eli David's home had set everyone into a panic. However, no one was more affected by the news than DiNozzo. DiNozzo had wanted to know if Ziva had survived the fire and therefore he later didn't hesitate when NCIS received word that a survivor had been pulled from the wreckage on tonight's episode of "NCIS". He just told Gibbs that he had to go to Tel Aviv and Gibbs understood that DiNozzo needed to see for himself whether or not the survivor was their Ziva.

But before DiNozzo could even finish packing his bag, both the Director and SAS agent had heard back from Tel Aviv. The men had come by NCIS headquarters because they had wanted to deliver the news in person however it wasn't good. Ziva had apparently died in the fire so it looks like Kort did manage to get to her. And with Ziva already declared dead by their allies, several of DiNozzo knew that they had to be the ones to break the news to him before he found out what happened from anyone else.

Only DiNozzo didn't know how to handle the news. He had tried to pretend that he was angry because Ziva had been one of them, but Gibbs knew differently and he told DiNozzo to go home. If he didn't go willingly then Gibbs threatened to permanently send him home. So DiNozzo ultimately chose to go home rather than risk losing job.

Yet, he later came back when the Director asked to speak with him. Apparently Mossad Director Elbaz had come to the states to express her condolences over Ziva and it seems she had

traveled all that way because she wanted to hand Tali over to her father. Tali was Ziva's daughter and it turns out that she had been the survivor pulled from the wreckage though the reason Tali had to come to the states was because that's where her father was.

Her father being DiNozzo!

So Tali clearly came as a surprise to DiNozzo. He had been assured that Ziva had said he was the only biological possibility yet he had wanted an explanation as to why Ziva hadn't told him that she was pregnant. And he didn't want to hear any second-hand excuses from Elbaz. Elbaz had tried to say that Ziva hadn't wanted to go through life being dependent on anyone else and DiNozzo got that. Only he felt like he had deserved more from Ziva than that.

Though Tali, herself, proved to be a delight to everyone. The team had been ecstatic to hear about Ziva's daughter and that the little girl had survived. So Tali ended up being the one thing that could make them all smile at such a time. And so the one person that was struggling with how to adapt to Tali's presence was DiNozzo.

DiNozzo didn't know how to be a dad, but he was trying. He had a near miss when he couldn't understand what Tali was calling for. So he nearly caused the child to go into a full-blown tantrum because he hadn't known the name of her stuffed dog. And he had beaten himself over that because he felt like Tali's father should know what was her favorite toy was.

However, that was just the start. DiNozzo also struggled to get Tali to eat her breakfast even though she didn't seem to be appreciative of his efforts. And it turns out that child proofing his apartment was just as much of a struggle as everything else. So DiNozzo was kind of happy to see Jimmy had come by. Jimmy was a father too and so he had a lot of advice.

And some of it made DiNozzo think about his future. DiNozzo had never thought about retiring from the NCIS however Jimmy pointed out that he was a father now. So that meant his daughter had to be part of his decisions and, as a single parent, he couldn't exactly afford to continue with a dangerous job. Not when that could leave Tali an orphan.

So DiNozzo was in the middle of trying to figure out his future when McGee later called him with news on Kort. Kort it seems had stayed in the country and merely had one of his friends destroy Ziva's house. But both Mossad and Kort's former organization had no idea what he was planning. Or why he had stayed in the states despite the massive manhunt.

What mattered though was that they found Kort before he could use the nuclear launch information that he was trying to steal and that McGee had called DiNozzo in for the takedown. So when it came time for the final confrontation, it was agents from NCIS, FBI, and SAS that showed up to stop Kort and they admittedly all took shots of their own when Kort tried to grab his gun at the last minute. And therefore it's unlikely anyone would look too closely at who exactly shot Kort first.

But with Kort gone and that chapter of his life over, DiNozzo had decided it was time to turn his papers. DiNozzo had realized that he couldn't be the same man as he was before so he wanted to take Tali back to Israel for a while in order for them to say goodbye to Ziva. And afterwards he told Gibbs that he was going to take his little girl to Paris. Ziva had apparently loved Paris and so that's where DiNozzo wanted to raise their daughter.

And although their goodbyes were bittersweet, the team understood why DiNozzo had to leave NCIS.

Season Fourteen

Rogue

Season 14
Episode Number: 307
Season Episode: 1

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Guest Stars: Joe Spano (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Patrick Labyorteaux (Bud Roberts Jr.), Sol Rodriguez (Elena Silva), Juan Carlos Cantu (Leo Silva), Shaw Jones (Navy Commander George Campbell), Ciara Bravo (Amanda Campbell), Gina Gallego (Judge Monica Fernandez), Brian Michael Jones (NCIS Probationary Agent Terry Mahler), Pilar Holland (JAG Marine Lucia Campbell), Bayardo De Murguia (Franco Alvarez), Joshua Elijah Reese (Suited Man), Samantha Cutaran (Waiter)
Production Code: 14001
Summary: The NCIS team investigate a deadly car explosion in Washington, D.C., that is linked to an NCIS special agent who disappeared six months ago while on a deep undercover assignment in Argentina. Meanwhile, Gibbs asks NCIS special agent Alexandra Quinn to shadow his team after rejecting eight agents she instructed and referred for an open agent position.moreless



able to save her husband".

A Naval Commander had had a night out with his family when suddenly his car just exploded on them. Admittedly, the car had been acting up for quite some time leading up to the explosion but no one had expected that it would just randomly combust on them. So neither the Commander nor his family had been prepared what happened. However, the family got lucky. The explosion merely ran their car off the road and so that had given Marine Major Lucia Campbell who had been the commander's wife the time she needed to get out of the car and grab their daughter. And she was able to save both of their lives though she hadn't been

So it was the death of a Naval Commander that brought out Gibbs and his team. Though calling it a team at this point seemed a bit redundant. There had unfortunately been a series of new hires for someone to take over DiNozzo's old position yet no one had been working out far and the woman that kept sending Gibbs new men was rapidly growing agitated. And so Gibbs had been asked if not commanded to get his act and his team together although as it turns out

NCIS Special Agent Alex Quinn thought it would just be best to shadow him and his team. For that was the only way she could make sure that the team he had now wasn't a problem.

But while the guys were trying to investigate Commander Campbell's death, they soon realized that what looked like an accident was actually a planned murder attempt. Albeit not on the Commander. His wife Lucia on the other hand, was the one that had enemies and her own daughter admitted that something had been wrong with Lucia since she went away on a business trip. So McGee had talked to Lucia's Commanding Officer and the other man had revealed that Lucia hadn't gone away on a business trip, she had actually recently returned from some personal time away. And so Lucia's trip was deemed to be their best bet to figuring why someone would target her.

The truth about that trip though hadn't seemed to make any sense. NCIS had dug into Lucia's whereabouts and they found out that she had met with a private investigator who told her that her brother was still alive. Lucia's brother had been NCIS Special Agent Nicolas Torres and he had disappeared almost a year ago when it was assumed he died on a mission. Yet, the private investigator had gotten a recent photo of Nicolas and that meant her brother for some unknown reason was alive and simply chose not share that with anyone. So Gibbs went to Director Vance and asked about Nick.

Nick had apparently gone under deep cover in Argentina and the Director said that he had been up to date on checking in when everything changed after his sister came down to Argentina. Unfortunately, Lucia hadn't known that she was breaking her brother's cover by snooping around so she showed up in the city and began asking anyone she could for information on her brother's whereabouts because she wanted to know what was going on. So that forced her brother to go into hiding and he would have stayed pretending like he actually died this time if his sister and her family hadn't been attacked.

When Nick heard that the people he had been investigating had gone after his family, he got on the next flight out and was quickly taken to NCIS headquarters to answer some questions. Like what he did find out while he was investigating corruption at the military school down there. So Nick told them everything. Nick said that he had met David Silva while training and that he soon spotted why a man like David was even at the school. David it seems had been recruiting mercenaries for his "businessman" father Leo Silva however Leo and Leo's unusual business practices had already been known to Gibbs.

Gibbs had been warned once before about Silva so he knew that Silva had ordered a hit on Nick and Nick's family because Nick had gotten too close. So Nick explained everything that happened while he was in Argentina. Nick had said that he had begun dating Silva's daughter Elena to get close to the family and that eventually Silva had seen him as a second son because of that and that he started to have certain aspirations for Nick. Though once he probably found out that everything Nick did had been to take him down, Silva must have wanted blood and put out a hit just to hurt Nick. Even if Nick was supposed to be dead by time his family had been targeted.

So a hate like that wasn't going to go away because Nick's sister and niece did survive the explosion. But Nick had hoped that he could offer Silva a truce and that Silva would take it. Nick had thought that a truce would be the only way to end it all and call of the hit so he had found out where Silva was in DC and approached him. And while Silva was all for burying what happened seeing as out NCIS now knew what he did, his son on the other hand, had still wanted to kill off Nick. David had called what Nick did unforgivable and he refused to calm down despite how dangerous a feud was at that point so Nick had wondered about reaching out Elena.

Nick and Elena's relationship had been mostly for business, but Nick had hoped that he would be able to open Elena's eyes and get her to see her father for who the man actually was. Yet, Elena didn't want to believe her father could go after Nick's family and it turns out her relatives had known about Elena's meeting because there had been a bomb under the table. So Nick had lost all hope then because he thought that if Silva was prepared to kill his own daughter to get to him that nothing would stop him though Gibbs later stopped him carrying out his own justice. Gibbs had reminded Nick that he still had a mission and that he shouldn't give up on the badge just for a man like Silva.

However, to get to Silva, they had to take out both him and his son David. So the team figured out who the Silvas were staying in town for and they caught David in the act of attempting a US Senator. And though David refused to turn on his father, his sister on the other hand had

finally put two and two together. Elena it seems had been smart enough to question her father while she was wearing a wire so she had caught him on tape admitting to the murder of a Naval Commander and the attempted murder of three other people.

And so Nick did get the justice he wanted though he didn't want to go back to undercover work. So Gibbs and Quinn offered him a job on Gibbs's team. Gibbs had needed someone with experience to run point for him and Nick personality had shown itself to be a good fit for the team. Though only time will tell if he truly was worth DiNozzo's desk.

Being Bad

Season 14
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Season Episode: 2

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Guest Stars: Vernee Watson (Miss Helen Frimkes), John Kapelos (Victor Castor), Braden Lynch (Neal Sherwood), Joshua LeBar (Adam Cooper), Amy Gumenick (Katrina Cooper), Devin Sidell (Angela Russell), Mike Falkow (Jim Bruno), Conner Marx (Milo Torbush), Stacey Arwen Raab (Woman Cop)
Production Code: 14002
Summary: NCIS uncovers a bomb plot and a long-running theft ring while investigating a death at a Quantico reunion. Meanwhile, Torres and Quinn adjust to life on Gibbs' team, including new seating arrangements in the squad room.



Two new members joined the NCIS team: Special Agents Nicholas Torres and Alexandra Quinn both had very different jobs before so being in the field much less being part of a time wasn't an easy adjustment for them. Torres had deep undercover agent and so he was unfamiliar with having a boss because he had always just used to report what happened and not exactly ask for permission to follow up a lead. So he wasn't used to following anyone's procedure and for that matter neither was Quinn. Quinn had been a teacher and she didn't have any experience being out in the field.

So their latest case was a test of sorts to see who could hack it and who could not, but it turns out that Torres had been the only one that had officially joined the team. Alexandria had just kind of attached herself to the team and apparently she wasn't going anywhere anytime soon. She had initially been asked to review Gibbs's team to see why he had fired so many of her new recruits and now she was merely sticking around because she found Gibbs's job exciting. They were the ones that flying all around the world and investigating the most dangerous missions. But their latest case involved a Special Forces Officer that might have committed involuntary manslaughter.

The Officer involved, Neal Sherwood, had gone to his High School's Fifteenth Reunion when an old bully began picking on him. So the former nerd who had trained in the military had decided to stick up for himself and strike back. However, the victim whose name was James Bruno had

then had a fit after being thrown to the floor and it had looked as if he died because of what the Officer did though that hadn't actually been the case. James Bruno was later revealed to have been poisoned. Someone he knew had poisoned his nicotine patch and according to Abby that ruled out his entire graduating class.

James or Jim as he used to be known in High School had gone to the reunion wearing the patch and that meant he had been poisoned before coming to the reunion. Yet, because the team hadn't known that fact until Abby had worked her magic, they had searched the school to find the poison and had found out that Jim had planted a bomb in his old locker at the school. The bomb itself had been packed enough to level the whole gym where the reunion was so the "victim" had been planning on killing everyone from High School. So what NCIS wanted to know was why? Why was Jim was murdered and why was he going to bomb his old classmates?

NCIS thought the best way they could find answers to those questions was to find out who Jim had become after High School. Though Jim hadn't amounted to much. He had gone on to take a job that an old substitute teacher had set up for him and even then there were no records of him ever having paid taxes. So Bishop and McGee had then checked out Jim's place of residence and they found out he was subletting a room from a woman that seemingly knew him when he was a kid although this woman had thought that Jim had turned his life around since then. And finding out he had been a thief had been a shock.

Jim had had a stash in his room. He had unfortunately been robbing the wealthy neighborhoods and he had been using his accomplice to sell of what he found. But Abby's DNA test had showed that the accomplice was a woman. So McGee and Quin had waited around until they saw someone shady hanging around and that's when they found their mysterious accomplice. She didn't talk to them and she had no identification on her yet she was on the weird side and Torres had been asked to talk to her with Gibbs. And so it wasn't hard for Torres to realize that cracking their suspect was a test.

Gibbs was supposed to play the bad cop and Torres was supposed to play the good cop. However, neither of them got her name and all they found out was that she didn't believe Jim could honestly plant a bomb at the school. She said that she knew Bruno and that he was all bark without the bite. So both Gibbs and Torres that maybe she was a little naïve for a thief because Jim's DNA had been found all over the bomb though they gave her enough credit by checking out who else had been in Jim's life and they came across some surprising information. Ducky and Jimmy had learned that their victim had forced a diamond earring into his ear and that it might have been a homage.

There had been a second person's DNA found on the earring and so they had given it to Abby who told Gibbs that the earring belonged to Katrina Cooper. Katrina was one of the most popular girls at High School when she attended it with Jim, but she had gone on to marry the amazing jock and their lives were vastly different than how Jim's turned out. So Torres had gone with Bishop to talk to Katrina and they were trying to get her to admit that she had been in a relationship with Jim when they heard the gunshots. And followed the sound until they found Neal Sherwood.

Neal had been the nerd in High School so finding out that he had been hanging around with the popular girl and the top jock had been a surprise. Yet, Neal's death had had some ramifications. Neal had left behind a suicide note and the note details how he had been a part of the robbery ring with Katrina, her husband Adam, Jim, and the Angela. Angela had been the woman that refused to give up her name so finding out that she had gone to school with the others and that the only time their paths all crossed was at Saturday detention had made sense. It was the Breakfast Club all over again.

The group had met in detention and had all become friends. So that time when Jim was "picking" on Neal had been Jim doing a favor by making Neal look good in front of the ladies. Though if all those people were his friends then who killed him and, well, the answer came from a surprising source. One of Jim's teachers had told him about Jim's Landlady and the woman that had looked so frail had proven to be a murderer. She had set up the bomb and she had been planning on leaving town with the money that she stole from Jim as well as some of what he fronted her.

And the frail woman was eventually shown to have perfect eyesight, hearing, and walking capability when she got arrested trying to leave town.

Privileged Information

Season 14
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Guest Stars: David McCallum (Donald Mallard), Joe Spano (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Michelle Arthur (Driver / DC Pedestrian), La Monde Byrd (Marine Capt. Rand Kraus), Brandon Quinn (Martin Abell), Nina Rausch (Devon Hill)
Production Code: 14003
Summary: A marine sergeant is killed when she falls from a building, but her doctor, Grace Confalone, risks breaking patient confidentiality and urges Gibbs to investigate the death as a murder.



A Marine Sergeant was in a coma on tonight's all new episode after she took a dive from the rooftop of her building. However, NCIS was called in on this particular case because there was some confusion about whether or not Sgt. Erin Hill had tried to commit suicide. Hill's psychiatrist who knew Gibbs personally had said that she couldn't mention much about her patient, but she had been pretty sure that someone had tried to kill Hill and so she had asked that Gibbs investigate the case as if it was. So naturally Gibbs had later tried to pressure Dr. Grace Confalone to spill more than that

only she wasn't having it.

Dr. Grace was very careful about respecting doctor/patient confidentiality which was why she didn't allude to Gibbs being a patient in front of the newbies and so she didn't want to go into why she believed Hill didn't try to kill herself. But Grace did want to help NCIS's investigation so she again reiterated that she was sure Hill hadn't killed herself. So it had really been up to Gibbs to decide if he could trust Grace's judgment and he did. He had investigated Hill's death as suspicious and he thought he was going to find something yet all that the investigation turned up was that Hill had killed herself.

Hill had been spotted on several security cameras that had been placed all throughout the building and there had been no one with her at any point for Gibbs or his team to believe that she had been pushed. It didn't look like it and other testimonies including one from her superior officer showed that she was in a fragile state of mind. Hill had recently returned from a stressful tour of Afghanistan that saw her see especially grueling action when she had been forced to

use her body to protect her fellow comrades so her superior officer had also believed that she wouldn't have reenlist once her time was up. And her time was coming up.

Hill had enlisted right out of high school and so she her choice about reenlisting had been relatively close. But what Hill's sister Devon couldn't understand was why her sister killed tried to kill herself. Devon had said that she and her sister had been discussing their futures so the plan had always been that Hill was going to help her sister go back to school. So Devon was feeling guilty because she wondered if her sister was afraid about staying on in the military though there had been other options for Hill. Hill had gotten an offer from a private contractor that claimed he met her overseas and he said that he had tried to call her on the day she died however she never answered.

Nor will she ever wake up. Hill later went into cardiac arrest at the hospital and she died from her injuries. So the first thing that Grace had done when she heard the news was to go over to Gibbs's place. Grace said that confidentiality ended when her patient died so she finally revealed to Gibbs and Gibbs's new roommate Fornell that Hill had told her that she had taken part in a murder cover up overseas. Hill had just been opening up to her and so Grace hadn't gotten all the details. However, Grace felt sure that the cover up had in some way caused Hill's death so Gibbs and surprisingly Fornell had investigated that lead.

Hill hadn't told anyone else about this murder, but Fornell ended up finding out that the contractor that had supposedly wanted to hire Hill had been former CIA and Fornell's contacts also said the guy was on the shady side. Though Gibbs didn't want Fornell investigating the case because Fornell was still taking it easy so he had asked McGee to escort his friend out of the building and he had gotten back to investigating what happened with Hill. So Abby went back to the drawing board and she had found something odd with the surveillance video that they all thought had proved Hill killed herself.

Hill had apparently been wearing one watch at the start of the video and she had been found with a second watch when the ambulance came for her after her fall. Abby therefore said that it was impossible for the other woman to change watches mid-fall and that someone had edited the video. But the only person that could have edited the video was the building's maintenance man who just so happened to be an ex-con. Gregg Abell had gotten arrested for hacking and so he knew his way around the computer. So the only question that daunted everyone was why Gregg had edited the video before turning it in?

Torres though was able to get the answer to that question by heavily flirting with a woman from the apartment building. Torres found out that Hill's sister Devon was involved with Abell and that the couple might have been who Hill was talking about in therapy. So Hill hadn't been all that honest with her therapist. Hill had made Grace believe that the murder had somehow involved her work when really it had been her sister that had gone in over her head. Yet there had been reason for why she didn't want to talk about her sister. Hill's sister Devon had raised her since she was small so she had thought she owed Devon something and that's why she covered up what Devon did.

Devon had been convinced by her boyfriend Gregg that the old man she wound check up on in the building wasn't going to miss his gold coins' collection. Gregg had apparently said that Leonard Odette was going to die soon from old age and that he didn't have any family. So that coin collection which would have been a small fortune to the both of them wouldn't be missed if they took out a few pieces here and there. But Devon later claimed to Gibbs during their interview that she had no idea that Gregg was going to kill Leonard and so she only helped him hide the crime because she knew that she would look guilty if anyone were to investigate Leonard's death.

However, Devon didn't realize that Gregg had hurt her sister until that very second in the interview room when she was explaining what had happened to Leonard. So Devon will have to face charges for what she was complicit in, but Gibbs and his team had later captured Gregg so Devon won't be the only one facing charges. And in the end Grace had been right. Grace had known that Hill didn't kill herself so once everything had been cleared up, Grace had gone over to Gibbs for another drink with the guys.

Love Boat

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Guest Stars: Margo Harshman (Delilah Fielding), Andrea Grano (Navy Commander Eleadora Rey), Andrew Bowen (Merrick Gomer), Wilmer Calderon (Wayne Cribbage A.K.A. Tiger Dad), Michael McMillian (David Kemmons), Madalyn Horcher (Navy Seaman Jennifer Baxter), Mike Wade (Navy Petty Officer First Class Tyrell Brown), Hayley Erin (Kasey Powers), Darin Toonder (Curt Shapiro), Mary Gallagher (Betty Baxter), Taj Speights (JaVale Brown), Michele Panu (Kirstin Hoyle), Jason David (Brock Gomer)
Production Code: 14004
Summary: Gibbs, Quinn and Palmer travel out to sea and board a destroyer after the body of a navy lieutenant is discovered during a tiger cruise, when civilian guests are allowed to spend the night on the ship. Meanwhile, McGee contemplates the perfect proposal for Delilah Fielding.



Gibbs had a tough case on his hands when a dead body was found on an active Navy Destroyer. Gibbs was apparently used to working a case no matter the condition so working on the seas didn't bother him, but that particular Destroyer had what they called a Tiger Cruise. The Tiger Cruise was when family of acting navy personnel were allowed to spend a night on the ship in order to get better understanding of what it was like. So, in this situation, that meant Gibbs had to tread on thin ice. For some reason or an-

other the captain of the ship hadn't wanted to announce what had happened because she said she didn't want to alarm the civilians that were still on the ship. Yet, the news still later got out despite her best efforts and there was no calming the victim's cousin.

The victim had been Lieutenant Vivian Mills. She had been found stuffed in the trash chute by the person that usually cleaned the area. So it was safe to say that someone put her in there and that and that they were probably hoping that the chute would kindly destroy the evidence for them. But it didn't and Mills's death was therefore ruled a murder though her cousin had no idea why anyone would hurt Mills. David Kemmons had been closed to Mills since they were younger and it didn't seem as if they had anybody else so David had wanted to know what happened. And he sure didn't like it when Gibbs naturally questioned him as a suspect.

David had actually gotten angry about that last part and he had told Gibbs that he didn't like what he was implying. He had said he could never hurt Mills and he had appeared to be genuinely worried about her and her absence earlier when everyone had first heard about there being a death on the ship. Though once David had passed Gibbs and Quinn's initial interview, they then had to interview all the other family members onboard the ship. So they had to question everyone. They questioned the friend that said he had agreed to the Tiger Cruise to escape his kid, then there was the rude younger brother had been forced on the Cruise, and finally they there was someone missing.

Navy Seaman Jennifer Baxter had asked for two "tigers" for the Tiger Cruise and no one had any idea where her brother was. However, Baxter had said her brother couldn't make the trip because he had called her about car trouble so there were a few people that questioned that. Baxter had apparently gotten some looks for her fellow servicemen because they had wanted to know if her brother was telling the truth or if he had helped someone get onboard the ship without anyone knowing, but Abby had thankfully found Baxter's brother and his car. So she checked it out herself and found out that someone had deliberately tampered with it.

So Mills's death hadn't been random. Someone had gone through a lot to make sure they were onboard and unfortunately no one knew who that person was. NCIS for instance had known that their culprit was a man because he had passed himself off as Baxter's brother. But other than that they didn't have much. Palmer, though, had come onboard with Gibbs and so he had collected as much evidence as he could and some of it was actually useful. There was a drone in the garbage which proved that someone had destroyed it and there was also footage from the cruise that showed the celebrity onboard had been allowed into a restricted area.

Some singer by the name of Kasey Powers was doing a goodwill tour by visiting the military. Though her lawyer that was constantly by her side hadn't wanted her to talk to NCIS unless they had necessary cause and they got that with the video. Kasey after all her been allowed into a restricted area and so NCIS had needed to know if anyone else had been with her. So, despite what her lawyer wanted, Kasey thought it was best to comply. She told Gibbs and Quinn that she had been signing autographs because there was kind of a secret agenda behind her goodwill tour. Kasey it seems had needed a way to cover up the fact she had surgery on her vocal chords so that's why she suddenly to do to cheer up active servicemen.

Kasey explained that her grandfather had been Navy and that she thought she could some good while recuperated. Yet, neither Kasey nor her lawyer had known who was in the restrictive area with her. She hadn't been paying attention and her lawyer hadn't exactly taken attendance. So the two weren't much help in finding out who had impersonate Stewart Baxter however the impersonator had thankfully left behind some DNA and there was a match in the system. The impersonator was Wayne Cribbage and Wayne had tried to swim to shore when he knew that he was close to being arrested.

However, Wayne wasn't their killer. Wayne was just a paparazzo that had wanted to get good shots of Kasey and he later said that he had been in the trash room when he overheard a woman and man arguing. Only Wayne claimed he didn't see anyone's face and so he wasn't really a good witness to the murder, but thankfully a restraining order had pinged and they had found out that someone on the ship had lied to during questioning. Gibbs and Quinn had apparently questioned the guy that said he just wanted to a free ride from his responsibility and it turns out that he was actually using the ship to reach his ex-wife's port.

Merrick Gomer had wanted to see his son though he couldn't because his ex-wife who was in the Navy had taken out a restraining against him. So he used the ship to reach her port and unfortunately Mills had recognized him. Mills had known his ex-wife and therefore she knew that Merrick shouldn't even be on the ship much less one that was pulling into the port nearest to his wife. But Merrick killed her to protect his secret and his plan was to kidnap his son when no one was looking.

Only Gibbs figured out what he was going to do and stopped Merrick before he could disappear with his son. So Merrick will be going to prison for Mill's murder yet Mill's it seems had a secret. Her cousin wasn't really her cousin. David had actually been her boyfriend and so he hadn't wanted to say anything because he didn't want to tarnish Mill's memory with the crew by showing her in a negative light by bringing an unauthorized boyfriend on the ship. Though David hadn't lied earlier. He had loved her and that's why he wanted to protect her memory so badly. And, do you know what, David's devotion had given McGee all the inspiration he need to scrap his over

the top proposal plan and instead just propose spontaneously.

Philly

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Guest Stars: Dalila Ali Rajah (Mary Falco), Michael Felix (Gary Falco), Glenn Keogh (Thompson Daly), Stephanie Y. Wang (Lt. Emily Shaw)
Production Code: 14005
Summary: When a missing MI6 agent is linked to a murdered petty officer, Gibbs sends Quinn and Bishop to Philadelphia to work with MI6 officer Clayton Reeves. Meanwhile, Quinn painfully recounts the NCIS case that made her leave field work.



Things had gotten a bit tricky at the office when a friend of the team had stopped by and had apparently remembered Special Agent Quinn. Though not in the way she expected or would have preferred, Quinn, it seems had been trying to dodge this guy Francis for some times now and he just wasn't getting the hint. So Quinn had been a little embarrassed to have someone hit on her right in front of her entire squad, but she had agreed to take Francis's number and had told him that she would call him. Even if chances of that were pretty slim and would always slim.

Quinn had later told everyone that she hadn't been interested in Francis and that she simply didn't know how to turn him down gently without hurting his feelings. But Gibbs had eventually helped her escape a dinner with Francis when he told the team about a new case. Gibbs had said that another old friend of theirs who was always an MI6 agent had wanted the team to come up to Philly in order to help him with a petty officer's death. So both Quinn and Bishop had been told to board the plane and head out to Philly so that their team had some sort of presence in the city.

However, that trip and any trip to Philadelphia was something that Quinn never would have done if Gibbs hadn't forced her into it. Quinn as it turns out had a history in the city and so she didn't want to revisit it yet she had to for the case because MI6 Agent Clayton Reeves had needed them. Clayton had said that he had been looking for his friend and fellow MI6 agent when he came across petty officer's body and didn't know what happened. He didn't know if his fellow agent had been responsible for what to Petty Officer Gary Falco and so he didn't want to rely on the NCIS agency in the northeast.

Clayton had preferred Gibbs team because he had worked with them in the past and had a reason to trust them. Yet, Clayton had also warned Gibbs that he and MI6 Agent Mason Finley

had been investigating illegal gun smuggling and black market items. So what Clayton wanted to do was first find Finley and then find out what happened to Gary Falco. He said that he had traced Finley's last location to the alley and that he had found Gary's body in that same alley. And so Clayton thought that Gary might have been part of that smuggling ring.

Only he hadn't been. Gary had apparently talked to his mother about possibly getting a ride back home so it seems that he might have just been in the wrong place at the wrong time. Though that theory that NCIS had come up with hadn't panned out until Clayton had suddenly gotten a distressed signal from Finley. Finley had managed to get a text to Clayton so he had traced the signal to where Finley was and that lead to Clayton eventually finding his partner in an abandoned house. Finley had unfortunately been beaten almost to death and had badly needed a hospital.

But Finley didn't want to go to the hospital and all he truly wanted was to find the men that had tortured him. So Clayton had thought that his friend was ready for the field and he had decided to let Finley come with them to investigate what happened despite Quinn having objections. Quinn had said that Finley wasn't ready to go back out into the field and she thought that Finley might snap if he was under anymore pressure. And sadly Quinn had eventually been proven right when Finley had gone off half-cocked and ended up shooting a suspect.

The suspect had been Nestor Carbone and the guys back home had thought that he might be involved in what happened to Finley because Nestor had inherited a smuggling ring from his father. However, Nestor had worked in and owned an auto body shop. So he wasn't exactly a dangerous threat when Finley had shot him and it turns out that Nestor hadn't been part of what happened. Nestor had run a body shop with stolen and therefore illegal cars. And a stolen car ring wasn't a big enough reason to kidnap much less torture an MI6 agent.

So Finley had clearly made a mistake with shooting Nestor however Torres had seen some of the pictures where he had been allegedly held prisoner and he had thought that there was something off. Which was why Torres had gone to Abby for help. Torres had later asked Abby where was the bathroom in the pictures because he said that Finley would have needed some place to go if he had really been held prisoner for a few days and in the same place. Yet, Abby hadn't thought that was a stupid question and so she had investigated it for Torres.

Abby had gotten blueprints for the house that Finley was supposedly held in and there was no plumbing at all in the building. Though there had been a bathroom at a coffee shop just down the block and surveillance cameras from that same coffee shop had showed Finley laughing it up with two suspects that he swore hadn't been involved in his kidnapping. Finley had said that Daley brothers were into exotic birds smuggling and that they weren't even on his radar yet the footage showed that Finley was instead in cahoots with them and that his kidnapping had been a setup.

Finley had probably faked the whole thing after he realized Clayton was looking for him and had found that dead petty officer. So the bruises as well as the "trauma" that led to him shooting Nestor, had also been faked. But Clayton hadn't the truth lightly. He had wanted to find Finley the second NCIS had informed him about the fraud though by then it had been too late for him and for NCIS. Finley had apparently gone on the run after the "accidental shooting" and there was no trace of him or of the Daley Brothers.

However, Torres and McGee still had a few leads on their end so they looked into where the Daley brothers would be hiding while Gibbs decided to fly to Philly. Gibbs had been concerned about Quinn and nothing that Bishop had told him had made him feel better about forcing Quinn to face her past. So Gibbs had flown to Philly and he had gone looking for Quinn when no one could find her so he eventually found Quinn at a bar. Quinn had unfortunately wanted to drink herself into oblivion and so Gibbs had finally asked what happened to make her so frightened.

Quinn had always been one of the toughest people he knew and he didn't think the official story about what happened to her in Philly was the whole story. Gibbs had said that Quinn would have recovered by now if all that happened was that she lost someone in the field. Yet, Quinn had been hesitant about telling him what really happened so Gibbs had to goad her into telling the truth. So Quinn told him everything in the end. Quinn told him that she had been on the phone with her fiancée when her partner Emily Shaw had left the car to give her privacy and had been gunned down before either she or Quinn had known that they were under fire.

So Quinn blamed herself for Emily later dying from her wounds. She said if she hadn't been distracted that she would have seen the guy hiding out in the doorway and Emily wouldn't have

been alone when she died. But Gibbs had told her that both she and Emily knew the risks of the job and that Quinn shouldn't blame herself for what happened to her friend. He said that she had done her best to help Emily and that's what mattered. And so Quinn had gone with Gibbs when their friends back home found some reliable information.

Torres and McGee had pinpointed where the Daly brothers were hiding and that led to the capture of the Daly brothers as well as Finley. Finley had actually tried to plead with Clayton to let him go. However, Clayton had realized something since finding out that Finley was dirty. Clayton had realized that his real friends were the ones fighting by his side and Finley was merely the man that turned his back on everything they believed in. So Clayton had personally brought Finley down and, elsewhere, Gibbs finally came around to asking about Quinn's fiancée.

Quinn though had said that the relationship fell apart not long after Emily's death and that she was pretty gun shy about entering into a new relationship so that was something else that she had to work on.

Shell Game

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Guest Stars: Emily Alabi (Petty Officer Kelly Ristow), Paul Schackman (Sullivan Brady), Richard Fancy (Leonard Weiss), Tony Gonzalez (Special Agent Tony Francis), Eric Petersen ('Pale' Dale Matteson), Andrew Hawkes (Detective Campbell), Nick Puga (TSA Agent Gregg Rogers), Mariana Da Silva (Dakota James), Josh Latzer (Olek Lazarenko), Jonathan Del Arco (Ned Senders), Justen Overlander (Chris Ristow)
Production Code: 14006
Summary: When a petty officer escapes from her kidnapper, the team finds a connection to her missing husband.



Kristine Francis: Petty Officer Kelly Ristow had been held prisoner for days without end and had been subjected to the worst kind of torture when she managed to do the impossible. Kelly managed to escape. She had waited until her kidnapper had let down his guard and she had killed him before he could put out much of a fight so that allowed her to run away however Kelly strangely didn't seek out a police station or even a nearby military base afterwards. So NCIS ended up finding Kelly at the airport. She had been planning on boarding a flight and unfortunately that looked as if she was running just shortly after she killed someone.

So it looked bad. Kelly had injuries and she was psychologically traumatized, but she had gone to the airport for some reason and no one knew why. Kelly hadn't actually bought a ticket for any flights and her husband had still been in town. However, NCIS believed that Kelly had been prisoner so they had wanted to protect her and sadly that also meant that they had to tell Kelly about her husband. Kelly's husband's Chris hadn't filed a report that she had been missing nor did he make any strides to find her once she was gone and so that didn't make sense to Kelly. She had said that she borrowed someone's phone after she had escaped and that she had talked to Chris.

Chris had told her to meet him at the airport and he had said that they had to get out of the country. So that's why Kelly had gone there yet Chris hadn't showed up at their designated spot and that she had truly frightened Kelly. She had told NCIS that she truly believed that her

husband was in danger because he didn't show and so they had agreed to look for him. But nor for the reasons that Kelly thought. NCIS had wanted to look for Chris because they thought that he had something to do with his wife's kidnapping. Chris hadn't showed any concern for Kelly after she had been taken and evidence at the house proved that Chris had been home fairly recently.

The house that Chris and Kelly shared had been tossed as if someone was looking for something and the couple's dog was gone. So either Chris had been taken or he had made a run for it without his wife though the other possibility could be that both those things happened. Chris had packed up their stuff because he had wanted to leave town and someone had merely come by afterward to search the place. Yet, there was always the same questions. Why was Chris running and why didn't he care enough about his wife to file a missing person's report? Kelly apparently thought that her husband was in trouble and that her husband forgetting about her had been a misunderstanding.

Only it wasn't and there appeared to be a good reason behind that. NCIS believed that Chris might have tried killing his wife because of the pricey life policy he had out on Kelly. The policy was for half a million dollars and that was a lot of money for a night watchmen. Though what NCIS suspect the husband was the fact that someone had clearly arranged for Kelly to be taken by Olek Lazarenko and they had even messaged the kidnapper to tell him what he could do to Kelly. So Kelly had been hated by someone and she eventually admit that her husband could still be upset with her for the affair she had a while back.

So Kelly could understand why others might suspect Chris however she still didn't want to believe that her husband arranged her kidnapping or that he had been planning on killing her. Kelly had said that she and Chris had been working through their problems and trying to rebuilding their marriage. Which was something that had also been corroborated by Kelly's own sister. Yet, Kelly's own sister had been holding onto Kelly and Chris's dog so she some questions to answer herself. And so Kelly's sister eventually admitted with great reluctance that Chris had stopped by and had asked her to watch the dog because he was going out of town.

Only Chris didn't town. There had been no evidence that he had bought a plane ticket and he hadn't showed up to meet his wife at the airport. So it simply didn't make sense for a man like Chris to just get up and go on the run. Chris had allegedly been a mere night watchmen and therefore they shouldn't be any reason whatsoever for someone to target Chris or his wife. However, Chris's accounts had showed in the end that he had managed to get his hands on millions of dollars and none of it had come out of the policy he had on his wife. Instead the money had come from a shell company called QFire.

QFire was a shell of a shell type of company so no one knew who exactly owned it. But a guy in the department did end up linking QFire to a name. He linked it to Leonard Weiss. Weiss was a military contractor and he had several contracts with the US government. So Nick later had to reach out to some of his old contacts just to get some information on Weiss and it wasn't pretty. Weiss according to the story had found out that Chris had taken some money out of his shell company and had kidnapped Kelly in order to get his money back. And so Weiss could be guilty of lot more than kidnapping.

Weiss could also be accused of murder. Chris's body for instance, had been found in the end at the airport in the back of his own car. So Weiss might have killed Chris once he realized that he didn't have Kelly in his custody anymore and was never going to get his money back. Though Weiss was denying everything and he actually sounding as if he was telling the truth when he said he wouldn't go to lengths for three million dollars. He was a billionaire after all and so Dale who had been helping NCIS had taken another look at the files that Nick had been given. And he figured out that they were fakes.

Chris hadn't stolen three million dollars and an investigation into what Chris was doing showed that he had been an inside source for some journalist. Chris had apparently found out that the company he worked for was fraudulent and so he had collected enough evidence to give the Washington Leader. But he hadn't been able to go through with handing it over because his wife had been kidnapped and the kidnappers had demand the SD Card in exchange. So Kelly escaping from that basement had changed everything once again. She was no longer prisoner and so there was nothing stopping Chris from handing over his SD Card to the right people.

So NCIS only needed to find where Chris had hidden that SD Card and it turns out he had put it in the dog's new collar. That's why he had left the dog at his sister-in-law's and he probably

would have told his journalist friend by time he and his wife were escaping. However, that chance never came about and Gibbs was the one that ended up figuring out where the SD Card was. And so Kelly was able to do one last thing for her husband when she made sure that his death meant something.

Home of the Brave

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Guest Stars: Sonya Balmores (Metro PD Officer Sandra Cornell), Adam Busch (Jankowski), Johnny Rey Diaz (Victor Medina), Brett Easton (Carl Dixon), Peter Macon (ICE Agent), Joseph C. Phillips (L. Conway), Coy Stewart (Brandon Conway), Robert Wagner (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.)
Production Code: 14007
Summary: Torres boldly breaks protocol when he learns a witness in an NCIS case is wanted by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Meanwhile, Abby, Bishop and McGee woo landlord Tony DiNozzo Sr. in hopes of subletting Tony's apartment.



had caused something of a rift with his offer.

Senior hadn't meant to cause trouble though he had his friends who he loves as surrogate children competing and they were still fighting about the apartment when they were called out to the latest scene of the crime. Navy Seaman Troy Willis had been killed in an alleged store robbery and there had even been a witness to the event. However, the witness's story didn't quite match up with the evidence they later found. The witness whose real name was Victor Medina had said that everything happened real fast and that the perp had fled the scene in a white vehicle and that didn't explain why they found so much blood in the back closet or why the perp left his weapon in the store.

So it was strange that Victor would say that the perp left through the front yet the back room which he had access to had the most blood as well as the murder weapon. Though no one could find Victor right away to get him to explain the discrepancies because he had quickly fled the

DiNozzo Senior had come back to town and he was doing his son a favor. Senior was apparently leasing his son's apartment and was acting as its landlord while Tony remains in Paris however he later made one crucial mistake as a landlord as well as a friend. Senior he had offered everyone as in Gibbs, Bishop, and Abby first dibs on the gorgeous place with low rent. But unfortunately, everyone wanted the apartment. So Senior had started something of a bidding war because they all wanted the apartment and they all believed that they were the best renters to take the place. And so Senior

scene after giving his testimony to the local police. Victor as it turns, out was in the country illegally so he had fled because he didn't want to be deported and, despite that, NCIS had risked his status in this U.S. by eventually tracking him down. NCIS could be quite persistent after all with their investigations and they found Victor on his way to Ohio which was his mother lived.

Victor had seemingly been heading to his mother because he had wanted to visit her and not because he wanted to flee. Yet, that didn't matter to ICE or NCIS and funnily enough, they had been wrong about Victor. NCIS had thought that he was a possible criminal that was trying to flee meanwhile Ducky found evidence that Victor had tried to give the victim CPR and save him. So Victor hadn't been the cold-blood killer they all thought and more importantly he hadn't been just some hero. He was actually a former Marine that had gotten into trouble with a bar fight not that long after he was honorably discharged so that risked his status in the country.

He had served the United States by wearing a military uniform and all of that got tossed aside because one bar fight. The bar fight had unfortunately counted as a felony. So that allowed Immigration to revoke his status as an American because his parents had come here illegally when he was a kid. But Bishop and even Torres had a heart. They had heard from Victor that he had wanted to see his mother so they had taken pity on him and had driven him to his mother's. They had thought that Victor deserved at least a chance to say goodbye to his mother and so they gave him one.

Bishop and Torres had gotten off their set path and had finished the trip to Ohio. However, Torres had later let his emotions get in the way of the job. It was one thing to drive Victor to say goodbye and quite another to have dinner with Victor and his mother. So Bishop had tried to say something though Torres didn't want to hear it. Torres had felt for Victor so he had delayed the return trip as much as possible and immigration had to go to Gibbs back home to demand where Victor was. The ICE agent had said that Victor should have been by then and he was beginning to suspect that something had happened. And all Gibbs could do was say that Victor was on his way.

Gibbs didn't care to say anything else or explain why his agents were taking so long because he felt they had the situation handled. Though the agent Gibbs was concerned about was Quinn. Quinn had been acting strangely and he didn't know why yet everyone else knew the reason. They knew that Quinn had had a sex dream about Gibbs and that she didn't want to look him in the face because she was a little embarrassed about the sex dream. So Gibbs was the only one out of the loop and he thought that Quinn was just off as they tried to investigate who really shot Seamen Willis. And as they were going through several suspects, there was a man that had a gun on him when he went into the same restaurant as Victor as NCIS.

So Torres and Bishop had wanted to find answers about that because it was simply a little too coincidental for someone to try and rob the same place that Victor was in twice. That was either bad luck or someone had intentionally had wanted to harm Victor for some reason. Yet, Bishop shot the potential shooter and they hurried home in a hurry to figure things out, but thankfully they were right about something. There was something off with the shooter and it turns out he was a hitman. The hitman's name was Carl Dixon and he had been sent to clean up what happened at the store.

Victor had apparently come a little too close to the thief at the grocery store for the thief's liking and surprisingly someone that would rob a little store on the corner had the means to hire a hitman. But the truth was that the kid had a father that hired the hitman because the thief had been an entitled twerp that wanted to prove he was badass. So following the money as well as the car that Victor had seen had led them to L. Conway who was the overprotective father and his son Brandon. Brandon had grown up with a silver spoon in his mouth yet he proved that he was willing to kill on whim and not care.

However, Gibbs at the end of the day found a lawyer that he thought could help keep Victor in the country and Senior eventually decided who should get his son's apartment without causing another fight.

Enemy Combatant

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Guest Stars: Evan Arnold (Gareth Bainbridge), Michelle Arthur (Decorator / Driver), David Bittick (Army Sergeant Tom Healy), Jesse Bradford (John Bishop), Ryan Doom (George Bishop), Jesse Johnson (Robert Bishop), John Charles Meyer (R. Ayers), Rafi Silver (Qasim Naasir)
Production Code: 14009
Summary: Bishop questions her previous work at the NSA when she's sent to Gitmo to collect evidence for a Navy chaplain murder case. In the meantime, her brothers visit for Thanksgiving and want to know from her co-workers who she's dating.



Bishop was dating again and she was apparently trying to keep her dating life a secret. However, Bishop hadn't been counting on her brothers visiting her for Thanksgiving or that all three of them would be interested in who she was dating. So the NCIS agent had been caught off guard when her brothers came to town and automatically guessed that she was probably dating someone from work though she did try to stop them from embarrassing her. Bishop had told her brothers George, Rob, and John that she was seeing anyone that they knew and then she had been saved by a phone call.

Bishop had gotten called into work about a car accident involving a naval commander yet sadly there was something just a little bit off about Navy Commander Derrick Reza's death. Reza was a chaplain in the navy, he was known as a peaceful man, and it didn't appear as if he had any enemies. Though the time of death was what warranted further investigation. Reza it seems had died around seven that night and Ducky's initial autopsy at the crime scene had appeared to prove that. So then why did Reza's car go off the road at eleven? A husband and a wife were driving their baby around to get the little girl to go to sleep and they had seen the car go off the road at eleven.

Yet, Abbie's review of the crime scene had helped clear up any misunderstanding. Abbie had found the cement block that had been used to apply pressure on the gas so that it looked like Reza was still driving, but by that, he must have already been dead. So Abbie's findings proved that Reza had been murdered and that someone had done their best to cover up by trying to

cause a crash that would burn most of the evidence. Only the evidence never got the chance to disappear and so NCIS needed to review Reza's life. Who did he talk to, where did he visit, and most importantly why someone would go to such lengths to kill him?

So NCIS looked into Reza's last phone call from his office and they hadn't found anything there however, they did find out something by talking to Reza's commanding officer. The commanding officer had told the agents that Reza often counseled men in detainment and that it created a problem for him. Mainly because some of the other soldiers had believed that Reza sympathized too much with the terrorists and so that led to many accusing him of being in cahoots with them. But Reza was a dutiful American citizen and he had no problem with men trying to ruin his country being in jail.

What Reza had a problem was the fact that some of the detainees were given their basic human rights and that some of them didn't actually deserve to be at Guantanamo Bay. So Reza did his best to spiritual guide the men he had seen and had also attempted to help those that had been wrongfully locked up. Reza had reached out to the family of Amir Hassan and he had told them that he could help them free Amir. Amir had apparently been videotaped confessing to an attack yet Bishop and an old friend that was now firmly in the NSA had looked at the tape again and they had seen that someone had dubbed Amir's voice.

Amir was actually denying that he had been part of any attack though the voice had admitted that he had been a mastermind and that he didn't feel any type of guilt. So the video had been illegally doctored to keep Amir in prison for the last eleven years of his life and NCIS had every reason to believe that Reza had been killed trying to free Amir. However, the team didn't know where to look. Reza had told Amir's sister that their had been someone on the inside that had known the truth and was willing to help only he hadn't given up a name. And so NCIS had tried asking Amir if he had talked to anyone else.

Yet, Amir later said that he hadn't. Amir had unfortunately given up on talking to people seeing as no one else was going to believe him however he had talked to Derrick because he had said that Derrick was different. So NCIS had looked into who else at Gitmo could have possibly have wanted to help Amir and in time they found Brandon Peters. Brandon Peters had been the name of someone in charge of Amir's case when he first got arrested and it turns out that Brandon who was going by Ronald Ayers now had been the one to give Amir's file to Reza.

Brandon aka Ayers had said that he had been ordered to doctor Amir's interrogation video and that he had reached out to Amir as a way to correct the wrong. So NCIS had figured out that they had been wrong about the motive. Someone hadn't killed Reza to cover what happened to Amir, but that led to them looking into other motives and they eventually found out about the embezzling. Reza had apparently worked alongside Gareth Brainridge and Gareth had been looting thousands of dollars out of the organization because he had been greedy jerk.

So Reza had died after he confronted Gareth and Gareth had pushed him. The push had led to Reza's head hitting the desk table and Gareth hadn't bothered getting help. Though once Reza's true killer had been arrested and Amir had been freed, Bishop had finally confessed to her relationship with someone she worked with. Bishop as it turns out was dating Qasim Naasir who was the NSA agent that helped them with this case and her brothers had been so happy to be introduced to him. They had worried that she was dating Gibbs so meeting Qasim had been relief.

Pay to Play

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Guest Stars: Mary Stuart Masterson (Congresswoman Jenna Fleming), Ciera Payton (Laurie Perkins), Tommy Savas (Max Sanders), Angelo Tiffe (Jed Hamilton), Jeff Griggs (Peter Alden), June Schreiner (Amy Barrett), Michael Canavan (Retired Navy Admiral Thomas Garscott), Mary Anne McGarry (Fern Robbins), Katherine Disque (Mary Barrett), Tom Costello (Nathan Roberts), David Lengel (Carlton Laymer), Brad Grunberg (Big Ed)
Production Code: 14008
Summary: The NCIS team investigates a series of escalating threats against congresswoman Jenna Flemming, while Director Vance oversees temporary protection detail.



Congresswoman Jenna Flemming was considered one of the good ones on Capitol Hill however, someone had apparently been threatening her for months and the level of violence was merely escalating. So Flemming's personal aide Max Sanders grew concerned. He thought it would be best to finally report what was going on and to ask for help protecting his boss. But Flemming told him no. She hadn't wanted anyone to hear that she had been frightened by a few "little" things because she didn't want to come across as someone unable to handle herself and who needed the big guns to protect her.

However, the Max did eventually gain the courage to go behind her back and that was only because he had to. Max and his boss were simply heading back to the car after a long day of duck shooting with the congresswoman's donors when they both found a dead rat in her car. The rat it seems had had a note for Flemming indicating that she was next so Max decided to take that threat seriously. He had later reported the rat and he had talked to NCIS about the others threats when he knew that Flemming would be angry with him. Max though didn't care and he told NCIS that the threats began as threats on social media then it was letters followed by angry faces in the audience.

So having that sort of information did help NCIS and they saw where Max was coming from. They too were concerned that the congresswoman was taking things too lightly and they had

tried talking about it to her themselves. Though the congresswoman was stubborn. She refused to believe that her life was in danger and she had honestly thought NCIS were blowing things out of proportion seeing as Director Vance had a bill on the books that she could hopefully help him to pass yet Vance knew better than that. He said that he had tried getting that bill for funding to pass for years and nothing had worked on the congresswoman. And Vance reminded her of threat!

Vance had said that he wouldn't try bribing her and that he never would risk the integrity of his office to create a false threat. So Flemming backed off from trying to accuse Vance of something, but she still needed some more clarification about the threat and so the guys explained it to her. They told her that someone had bypassed security on base to get to her car and that they must have been watching her to know when she would be going back to her car. Which was something that Flemming was able to take seriously. Yet, she didn't think that she needed protection much less that the FBI had fobbed her off on NCIS and so she was proving to be a handful.

Flemming had wanted to go about her day like nothing had happened and she had hated answering questions. But McGee and Torress later found where the threats were coming from. They found out that a teenage girl had started the whole threatening Flemming thing as some sort of social project and that she had gotten a little carried away. Amy had apparently referred to Flemming as Attila the Hun and she had stirred up a frenzy by implying that Flemming should be hung up for her crimes. So the guys had checked out Amy and she hadn't cared about whom she was about or that she was creating a dangerous situation.

Amy had just thought that she was finally in her mother's footsteps and she later didn't get it when NCIS informed her that someone had taken up her call. Though the one person that was eventually convinced that the threats were serious was Flemming. Flemming and NCIS had been informed that her personal aide Max had been found dead and Flemming couldn't help but blame herself for that. Flemming and Max had been close and she regretted that she had never told him how much he had meant to her. So Flemming quickly began helping NCIS with their investigation and she told them that Max was one of the few people that knew about the Brighton Naval Base.

The Brighton Naval Base was one among many naval bases that needed funding and so Flemming had sent Max out to see it in order to gather research. Max was supposed to gather enough information on the base to detect whether or not it should remain open and his conclusive results had been to close the place. So that's what was going to happen to the base and Flemming was the one that was going to be signing off on it. However, it wasn't an easy decision for her. She said that she regretted doing it because the base was at the heart of a small town in her district and she didn't want to see that small town disappear.

Yet, the base wasn't feasible so Flemming signed off on closing it and had thought that was still a hush hush. She said that everyone that knew the base was closing had been sworn to secrecy and she knew that Max hadn't talked. So they asked who might have found out, even if it was by chance, and if that person could have been violent so she told them about Jed Hamilton. Jed Hamilton had owned most of the property in Brighton and he knew that the town would die if the base was closed. And he was right because everyone knew that decision would be the end however Jed wasn't their killer.

Jed had made a big scene with Max at the motel and he had hit him though then he had gone to the strip club and therefore he had an alibi for Max's death. But the one person that didn't have an alibi was Max's girlfriend. Max had apparently met Laurie when he was doing research for the base and she was a realtor in Brighton. So Laurie would have lost out on the property development venture she was handling in Brighton if the base closed and unfortunately she had overheard what Jed had said because she had also been at the motel yet Laurie hadn't gotten upset that Max hadn't warned her in advance and she said she didn't know that she had hit him that hard.

So she didn't know that what she did with what Jed did was what ended up killing Max, but now she's going to jail and the congresswoman who got justice for Max was also suddenly asking out Vance.

The Tie That Binds

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Guest Stars: Brent Anderson (Navy Capt. Mason Green), Juliette Angelo (Emily Fornell), Hannah Barefoot (Haley Chase), Mikie Beatty (Anton Vlastefin A.K.A. Driver), Adam Campbell (Young Ducky), Adam Croasdell (Young Angus Clarke), Amanda Jaros (Peg), Clyde Kusatsu (Mr. Rin), Caroline Lagerfelt (Mrs. Victoria Mallard), Charles Shaughnessy (Balthazar Kilmeany), Scott Subiono (Louis Lancaster)
Production Code: 14011
Summary: The NCIS team tracks evidence from the murder of a Navy captain to Ducky's deceased mother. The probe leads Ducky to look back and question a pivotal life choice he made 37 years ago. Meanwhile, the team exchanges holiday gifts; and Gibbs eats Christmas dinner with Fornell.



Emily Fornell was apparently getting tired of her father living on "Uncle" Gibb's couch. She said he wasn't doing any of his exercises and that he wasn't fit to be seen. However, Emily had had a reason for disturbing her father and the status quo. She had recently started seeing someone named Jack and she wanted to introduce him to her father. So Emily had told her father to get his act together because she didn't want him to embarrass her yet Fornell had heard the word boyfriend and he had flipped out. The FBI agent hadn't known that Emily was seeing anyone and he actually thought she

was too young for that.

Yet, there was nothing that Fornell could do to get his teenage daughter to change her mind about dating Jack and he wasn't going to get any backup from Gibbs. Gibbs was very firm about wanting to stay out of whatever family drama that the Fornell were going to get into. So the call about the latest case had come in at just the right time. Navy Capt. Mason Green had been murdered and left in some dingy lot though he wasn't robbed. His wallet had still been found on him and it had been full of cash as if robbery hadn't been the motive at all. And so NCIS had to look into the navy captain to see why he was murdered.

So there were things that stuck out. There was the internal investigation because Green was being investigated for selling classified information and that meant he could have been killed

by one of his buyers that naturally didn't want to get caught, but the other thing that stood out was the piece of paper in Green's wallet. Green it seems had been carrying around Ducky's old address on a piece of paper that he kept in his wallet and that simply didn't make sense to Ducky. Ducky had said that he never met Green and that he couldn't see why Green would try to contact him. Though Green didn't want to contact Ducky. He actually wanted to contact Ducky's mother Victoria.

Victoria had been quite a character in life. She would call Ducky's lady friends tramps and she would do so even as she had a naked boyfriend hiding in the wardrobe. But Ducky remembered that one in particular. Ducky had been worried about his mother when she had decided out of the blue to marry Balthazar who she had met on vacation and he had thought that there was something off about the fiancée. So he had asked a friend of his to check out Balthazar for him back then and as it turns out Balthazar's name came up in Green's later investigation. Green had seemingly tried to see Victoria for something when he had found out she had passed however he had a reason for doing so.

Green had been trying to look for Victoria because of her connection to Balthazar Kilmeany. So Balthazar was the key to the investigation and the only one that knew anything about him had been Ducky yet Ducky swore the man claiming to be Balthazar now couldn't be the one that his mother dated. He said that would make the man at least 109 which was impossible so he thought this new Balthazar had to be an imposter. However, the man that his mother had almost married had been a con artist. Ducky's friend back then had found out that the guy liked hanging around expensive hotels to prey on older women with large bank accounts.

So Ducky had done what any good son would have. He had gotten "Balthazar" alone and he had told him that he knew about everything though all the same, he had offered the other man a choice. Ducky had told him that he could either be arrested by Scotland Yard or he could dump Ducky's mother Victoria and leave England. Yet, Balthazar hadn't hesitated when he chose to leave both Victoria and the country. He hadn't Victoria and he had been after her money all along. And so the only thing that connected Victoria to anyone wanting to find Balthazar Kilmeany had been the ad. Victoria had taken out an ad to find Balthazar after their engagement had been called off.

Ducky on the other hand, hadn't known about the ad. He had thought that his mother had moved past the Balthazar issue and that she had been fine without him. Though learning that his mother had gone to such lengths to seek Balthazar out had made Ducky doubt the decisions he had made back then. He wondered if he had deprived his mother of her one true love and if he had made her unhappy for the rest of her days, but there was also another part of Ducky that questioned if he had saved her from learning what or who Balthazar truly was. So he was going back and forth over his decisions when NCIS found out something.

The guys found out that Green hadn't been a traitor. Green had found out that someone had accessed classified files using his sign-in and that the person had been selling the information. So he was investigating who that person might be possibly when he found out that the other man was using the alias Balthazar Kilmeany to funnel money through various accounts. But the name was eventually revealed to be an alias that a whole crime family used whenever they were up to another job and so the latest person to use it had been Green's son-in-law, Logan. NCIS had found out about Logan because Victoria had revealed to her lover during her last days that she had seen Balthazar at the theatre.

However, the only person that had been going to the theater had been Logan who had been her Balthazar's nephew and who had taken up the name when he began selling classified information. So Ducky had been right all along. That man from his mother's past hadn't been right for her and she had ended up being happy with someone else. Even if he hadn't realized it at the time. So Ducky had been given one of the best Christmas presents he could ever ask for and later he got to celebrate the holiday a little earlier than planned with his friends. And one of them had been a very happy Gibbs.

Gibbs had finally gotten Fornell off his couch like Emily wanted, but he had later found out that he had termites and so now he was sleeping on Fornell's couch.

Willoughby

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Guest Stars: Rafi Silver (Qasim Naasir), Travis Schuldt (Pilot Paul Miller), Lanny Joon (Edward Jin Tao), Elise Robertson (Alice Miller), Rick Hall (Larry Ambrose), Neil Sandilands (Hendric Kruger), Shaan Sharma (Kasim Al-farah), Jill Czarnowski (NCIS Tech Ottsley), Pat Harvey (ZNN Reporter), Allyssa Amelia Entz (Lexie Miller), Ravi Naidu (Doctor), Monica Lawson (Nurse #1), Claudia Christian (Agent Moreau)
Production Code: 14012
Summary: The team searches for new leads when an undercover mission to apprehend a businessman who's committing acts of terrorism to manipulate the stock market is comprised.



Gibbs had finally gotten the go ahead to fill in his team from Director. The Director as well as Gibbs apparently had known for a while now that there was going to be a joint task force, called Project Willoughby, that was carefully put together to take down a nefarious businessman by the name of Kai Chen. Kai was a very private man and he had money hidden all over the world however he used most of his resources to fund terrorist groups as a way to manipulate the stock market and he didn't care about who got hurt. So looking into someone like Chen was dangerous.

Chen had ruthless contacts that were just as protective of their privacy as he was and so he had lived most of the last fifteen years in hiding. There wasn't a recent photo of him and his digital security was so impenetrable that he didn't even leave behind a footprint. However, Project Willoughby had eventually got something. The joint task force had found out that Kai's regular copilot was sick and so that allowed them to sneak in Reeves as a replacement. Reeves had been given a new identity and they had ensured that Chen's people couldn't poke a hole in it yet he had been wrong about that.

Something strange had happened as NCIS watched the plane waiting for Chen. They had noticed that Chen's right hand man Jintao had quickly fled the plane and they were worried that someone would happen though they were too far away to get to Reeves in time before the plane blew up. So what everyone wanted to know was how did it all unravel? Reeves and the pilot had

both survived the blast so the MI6 agent got to talk to Gibbs. And he told the other man that he couldn't pinpoint the exact time his cover was blown.

Reeves had said that he had stuck with the cover story and that neither he nor Miller should have gotten hurt. Though an investigation into Jintao showed that Reeves had been wrong about Miller. Miller had been the one to tip off his boss about Reeves after Reeves had spent months gaining Miller's trust. So Reeves would have never guessed that it would be Miller that would give him up or that Reeves preferred to die rather than harm against his boss, but NCIS hadn't gotten the chance to talk to Miller because he attempted suicide again and had succeeded in killing himself at the hospital.

But there were still questions that needed to be answered. How did Miller figure out that Reeves was an agent? Did Reeves do something to destroy the mission? Did Reeves compromise himself with Miller? So a lot of the Director's contemporaries had wanted to throw Reeves under the bus rather than blame themselves or look for another possible answer however both Gibbs and the Director felt that Reeves had been above reproach. Reeves had spent months living under an assumed name and then he had deliberately set out to manipulate others.

So Reeves had done his job and it wasn't reasonable to use him as a scapegoat yet NCIS knew that they needed to find something on either Jintao or Chen if they didn't want Reeves's career to be destroyed. However, Reeves didn't want to sit anything out. He had gone back to work as soon as possible and that had been awkward for Bishop. Bishop had been Reeves's emergency contact and Bishop had wanted to know why that was so she asked her boyfriend. She asked Qasim why Reeves would put her as his emergency contact and Qasim had said that it was probably the same reason Bishop was his emergency contact — they didn't have anyone else. And that hurt Bishop.

Bishop hadn't known that Reeves hadn't had anyone else and she was concerned that he didn't even tell her that he was signing on for Willoughby without telling her. Yet, she wasn't the only one that was concerned. Gibbs felt that Reeves had signed on for the task for all the wrong reasons and he had decided to make Reeves ride the desk while he interviewed Miller's family about what happened. So Gibbs and Reeves had been in a room with Miller's wife and daughter when Bishop spotted little Lexi's charm bracelet. Lexi had apparently gotten it from her father and he gave a new charm for each city he visited though Bishop had thought she recognized some of those cities.

Bishop had noticed the charms were from countries that Qasim had recently talked about so she asked Qasim to see the transcript for the latest conversations he was listening in on and her theory turned out to be right. Qasim had accidentally heard the code that Chen was using during his travels and so NCIS had been sitting on hundreds of transcripts. Though those transcripts couldn't be study by one person so Gibbs gave that task to Reeves. The paperwork was enough to keep Reeves busy and he had even invited the other man to house because he said that he cooked a mean steak.

The invitation however, was a way to help Reeves with the papers and speak with him about why he joined Willoughby. So Gibbs did get Reeves to lower his guard in the end and Reeves admitted he took the project because Bishop had said her team was family to her and he didn't want to risk anyone that has people risking their lives. But while Reeves was struggling to think better of himself than merely assuming her replaceable, the team caught a lead. They found out that there had been a mole in the joint task force and that Chen had known for months that Reeves was a plant.

However, Chen hadn't done anything about it because he liked keeping everyone busy instead of knowing what he was actually doing yet Miller hadn't been in on it. Chen had just thought that Reeves would turn Miller and so he made Miller kill himself. So Chen had played everyone and later he even got to Qasim. Qasim had gotten shot and sadly he had been without oxygen for too long so it was the machines that were currently keeping him alive. And Bishop was the one that had the choice about whether or not he should be taken off of life support.

So either way they lost Qasim and unfortunately they couldn't even get justice for him — Jintao chose to die rather than give up anything on his boss.

Off the Grid

Season 14
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Season Episode: 12

Originally aired: Tuesday January 17, 2017
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Director: Rocky Carroll
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Guest Stars: Treisa Gary (Hannah), Connie Jackson (Elaine), Tobias Jelinek (Bodie Whitman), Michael Villar (Burly Diner Customer), Christopher Wiehl (Ramsay Whitman)
Production Code: 14013
Summary: When Gibbs spots the brother of a Most Wanted suspect, he assumes an old alias and goes undercover with their anti-government militia.



No one had seen Gibbs! He was apparently supposed to teach an early field training class and he never made it. But Gibbs also hadn't made it into the office and so Director Vance was concerned. He wanted to know where Gibbs went and he wanted answer immediately. So he had asked Gibbs's people to investigate his disappearance and they hadn't wanted to do that. The guys knew that Gibbs was probably off somewhere investigating something for himself or simply needed time alone however McGee had stepped into Gibbs's shoes and he had told the others that didn't matter if they

hadn't wanted to interrupt Gibbs.

However, Gibbs's disappearance was worrisome even if no one wanted to call it that. Gibbs liked his routine and he rarely ever broke it. So McGee and Torres had gone to the diner that Gibbs frequents for breakfast and they had talked to the waitress that sees Gibbs almost everyday yet Elaine had said that Gibbs was chatty that morning and that he hadn't waited around for the check despite telling her that she could take her time. And so something was clearly off with Gibbs. He wouldn't have just left money on the table and run off without speaking to Gibbs so McGee had decided to track his boss's location.

McGee had called Abby and had convinced her that they needed to track Gibbs's cell phone. Yet, Abby had said that Gibbs's phone was weirdly across the street from the diner. So that had spooked Abby and it had later spooked McGee as well. McGee had gone across the street and he tracked the phone to a mailbox though there were security cameras in the area and that cameras told NCIS a lot. The footage told the guys that Gibbs had put his own phone into the mailbox and that he had done so as a message. And so the guys checked the other cameras and they found Gibbs into a car with an unknown man.

So a picture of a potential suspect had been shown to the Director and unfortunately he knew who the mystery man was. Vance had recognized the man as Bodie Whitman. Bodie and his brother had been part of a militia that had stolen a truck of radioactive isotopes which were the ingredients for a dirty bomb, but the contents were never found even as the members were brought in or killed and so Vance believed Gibbs fell back on his undercover persona to get the truth. Though Vance hadn't been happy about it. He said the brothers were crazy and dangerous so he was concerned that the mission would go south before they had a chance to get Gibbs out of there.

Only Gibbs had known what he was doing. He had borrowed a woman's cell phone to call McGee because he knew McGee would trace the call to his location. So Gibbs had called in for backup and he had tried to let his team know where was going every step of the way. But Vance had called in for additional help. He had called an old friend of his and Gibbs's who also had worked the case and so he had Fred going through all of those files at the time to see if anything new has come up. And in the meantime Gibbs had had his people following him in case he needed to them in an emergency. Which at first wasn't the case between Gibbs and Bodie.

Gibbs and Bodie had talked like they were old friends. They discussed the past and Gibbs had known the right buttons to push to get Bodie contact his brother Ramsay. However, Gibbs's plan had quickly collapsed not long after he set everything in motion. Gibbs had talked with Ramsay and he had told Ramsay that he had buyer for the nuclear rods. So Ramsay had say he needed to think about it when in fact he needed to double check Gibbs and so he called back his brother with the truth. He told his brother that Gibbs was a federal agent seeking to entrap them and so Bubba pulled a gun on Gibbs.

Yet, Gibbs's people were waiting and they had diverted Bubba's attention just long enough for Gibbs to get his gun. So Gibbs had tried to get the other man to lower his weapon and in the end he had been forced to shoot though the autopsy on Boden afterwards had at least come in handy. Boden had been suffering Huntington's Disease and that usually an inherited trait so Abby looked into everyone else with the disease in the area. And she found Ramsay Whitman only he wasn't Ramsay anymore. The former radical had turned into a family man with a house in the suburbs and a new name as well as look.

So they found Ramsay in due time and he hadn't put up a fight. He had turned himself in and he had even said where the radioactive material was, but he had also confirmed that a federal agent had told him about his Gibbs and so all Ramsay wanted in return was to see his brother one last time.

Keep Going

Season 14
Episode Number: 319
Season Episode: 13

Originally aired: Tuesday January 24, 2017
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Guest Stars: Spencer Treat Clark (Ryan Smith), Josh Coxx (Navy Captain Paul Smith), Carol Locatell (Renee Prewdome), Adam Croasdell (Young Angus Clarke), Presilah Nunez (Navy Lieutenant Commander Cheryl Stanley), Jonathan Medina (Navy Commander Ted Morgan), Joe Alvarez (Fire Lieutenant Earl Davis), Matt Jayson (Edgar Stump), Meredith Eaton (Carol Wilson)
Production Code: 14010
Summary: During an NCIS hit-and-run investigation, Palmer joins a stranger on the ledge of a building in an attempt to save his life.



Palmer hadn't been in a good mood lately. He had been experiencing the winter blues and to make matters worse his family was also out of town visiting relatives. But Ducky had given Palmer some advice. He told the other man that if "he was going through hell, keep going". So Palmer had tried to take Ducky's face and persevere when things looked ugly however the two had been called out to a scene of an accident not three blocks away. The accident had apparently been a hit and run and their victim Navy Captain Paul Smith had unfortunately been dead on arrival.

However, there had been two witnesses at the scene and one had gone missing. The older woman that had been at the ATM machine and so she had merely heard the accident instead of seeing anything yet she told NCIS that she the captain's son could have seen more. So everyone looked for this son that had seemingly fled the scene and Palmer had been the first one to spot him. Palmer had seen Ryan up on the ledge of the nearby building and he had known that the young man was going to jump.

So Palmer had taken a gamble. He had rushed to the ledge without telling anyone and had climbed out the window in order to physically stop Ryan from killing himself. Yet, Ryan didn't want to be saved. He had blamed himself for what happened to his father because he had gotten laid off and his father had stopped at the ATM to give him something for rent though there was more story that Ryan simply getting laid off. He had also been fighting with his father before the crash because his dad had thought Ryan had needed to finally get settled.

Ryan had graduated college in a field that his father hadn't approved of and he's been struggling with getting a job. He later told Palmer that he was constantly getting entry level jobs and that his father felt they had wasted money on tuition for nothing. So that had made Ryan feel guilty because he thought that he had never gotten a chance to please the old man and that the last words Ryan had told his father was that he couldn't wait for his dad to butt out of life. Though there was a chance that Ryan's father would have always died even if he hadn't gotten laid off.

The car that had hit the captain hadn't slowed down or swerve and NCIS believed that could indicate that someone had intentionally run over the captain. But what they kept hearing and how Ryan had also described his father was that everyone had loved Captain Smith. So Gibbs and his people had questioned that. Gibbs had asked the captain's Operation Officer if she was sure that no one had a problem with the captain and she ultimately confessed that there might have been someone that was upset with the victim.

She told Gibbs that the captain had almost court-martialed the XO. They had apparently been a disagreement with both sides yelling and the XO had gotten heavily reprimanded. However, she didn't think that Commander Morgan would hurt the captain and so NCIS had to investigate the matter for themselves. They had looked into Commander Morgan and had tried to contact him yet Morgan wasn't anywhere to be found and he had cell phone turned off. So Morgan was a chief suspect and it looked bad for him.

Yet, things were fine as long as Palmer kept Ryan talking. Palmer had had a near miss when he almost fell off the ledge though Ryan had pulled him back up and so that had convinced Palmer that Ryan didn't really want to kill himself. If he did then he wouldn't have cared if someone else had died as well. So Palmer kept Ryan talking. He had Ryan talk about his mother and how she died when he was twelve. And how Ryan's dad had tried to act as two parents after that by both disciplining Ryan one second and then babying him the next.

So Palmer got Ryan to a point where he admitted that he did know his father had loved him, but the problem that Ryan truly had was that he didn't know if his father had known how much Ryan had loved him back. Though Palmer had talked to Ryan about himself and he had told the other man what he had to face. Like how he had lost a child when the adoption fell through and had how Gibbs had been the only one that could console him. He said that Gibbs had lost more than other person he knew and he still was this pillar of strength that that they all could depend on.

Only Gibbs and the rest of the team had been listening in on the conversation and they had heard everything that Palmer had told Ryan. So they knew that Palmer firmly believed in opting for happiness and that he had passed the medical examiner test on his third try however he didn't want to leave his job with all of his friends and so he hadn't told anyone that he had passed the test. But Palmer had made Ryan realize that how you measure success could make all the difference and so that had told the guys back at the station what they needed to give Ryan to make him come inside.

The guys realized that they needed to give Ryan a purpose and so they had asked for his help. They had investigated his father's case and his father hadn't been run over by Commander Morgan. He had actually been run over by a road rager that had gotten upset earlier when the captain had cut him off at the intersection. So the guys went to the window and they told Ryan they needed his help as an eye-witness to put the man that killed his father behind bars and that had convinced him to come inside.

However, the guys had also given Ryan the captain's wallet. They had wanted him to see that the captain had carried around a picture of the two of them on the day Ryan had finished his senior thesis and they also told him that his father had showed it off to everyone because he had been so proud of Ryan. So Ryan's last memory of his father was going to be that picture and that was going to get him through his birthday yet at the end of it all everyone had just been so glad that both men were ok and Palmer had even gotten a hug from Gibbs.

Nonstop

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Season Episode: 14

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Guest Stars: Robert Wagner (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.), Richard Riehle (Walt Osorio), Jessica Walter (Judith McKnight), Todd Louiso (Lyle Waznicki), Nick Jandl (Michael Kettering), Steven Cox (Taj Robinson), Kristina Klebe (Navy Lieutenant Cheryl Dombrowski), Austin Highsmith (Darlene Jones), Michael Broderick (Navy Commander James Shely), Hermie Castillo (Zeke), Russell Nauman (Cameron Mann)
Production Code: 14014
Summary: The murder of a petty officer in a small town outside of Washington, D.C., prompts NCIS to once again partner with "The Sherlocks," a privately funded investigative team that includes their newest member, Anthony DiNozzo Sr.



NCIS had gotten pulled into a turf war on tonight's episode when they tried to investigate the death of Petty Officer Maya Kettering and unfortunately found themselves in Sheriff Walter Osorio's district.

Walter or Walt as he was known by NCIS was apparently a member of "the Sherlocks". The Sherlocks were a group of individuals that probed into cold cases and did their best to solve them. But the group has had dealings Gibbs and his people in the past and NCIS pretty much found them to be annoying. So Gibbs had

been able to get away with ignoring last time however he couldn't do so now because one of their own actually held jurisdiction. And therefore Gibbs hadn't really had a choice when Walt said that they had to work together because he thought it was better to keep their enemies close than let them run wild.

However, both parties had truly wanted the same thing. They had both wanted to find Maya Kettering's killer and so they both relied on the many resources at their fingertips though NCIS did have something of an advantage. They had Ducky and technically Palmer first had to work with them before he reported to do duty with the Sherlocks. So Gibbs had found out that there had been a rash of some sort on the victim's neck and back and that she had gotten because it of an exposure a certain synthetic fibers though another thing that Gibbs had gotten first dibs with had been the victim's husband.

Mike Kettering had said that he knew nothing about the rash and his chief concern had more or less been his wife's death instead of her rash. So Mike had a few questions of his own and one

of them had been whether or not his wife was killed during a botched burglary. Though NCIS had wanted to know why Mike would think that and so he told them about the emergency fund. The emergency fund had been five thousand dollars that Mike and his wife had kept hidden in the freezer and so Torres and McGee had gone back to the house to check on the money yet they had found themselves running into the sheriff.

Walt had gone to the house to confiscate the alarm system and see if there had been anyone that had tried to break in earlier as maybe part of a practice run. Yet, the guys had been the upset that Walt hadn't been cooperating with their team like he said. So Walt, being the crafty guy that he is, had said that NCIS wasn't cooperating either. He said that he hadn't found out a single thing from what they learned from the husband and that they hadn't forthcoming with the autopsy, but both parties did eventually calm down and agree to share information. Which was why NCIS didn't make much of a fuss when Walt deputized the Sherlocks.

When Walt deputized the Sherlocks, that allowed them to see official reports and even gave them the power to invert view suspects. So the Sherlocks and Gibbs ran into each other again later when they both showed up to question Maya's XO. Maya it seems had gotten into an argument with her commanding officer and the two women had had a history. But Maya's XO had said that she had merely been hard on Maya because she thought the other woman had potential and didn't want her losing that drive however the two had argued because Maya had wanted to stay on the ship and put off her leave.

However, every officer needs their leave and so the XO made Maya take hers though the Sherlocks and NCIS had wanted to know why Maya hadn't wanted to go home. They had asked if she had been interested in anyone on the ship and that had been shot down right away. The XO said that Maya mostly spent time with the chaplain because she was religious and it had been her faith that had made Maya more dedicated to her marriage than ever. So everyone knew that Maya hadn't wanted to go home and just didn't know why. And so they tried probing into her private life as well as that of her husband's.

Maya's husband had allegedly been on a plane when Maya died and so watching him had simply been a way of writing him off completely. Though surveillance did pay off. The team learned that Michael Kettering had been having an affair and funnily Michael had been upset when NCIS revealed to his girlfriend that he was married because she hadn't known. The girlfriend had just been told that he lived in Dallas and so that's how he been able to explain that he could only live with her on weekends. So Michael had made Darlene believe he was a completely different person and the poor woman had bought into seeing as there had been no interaction between her and the wife. And so Darlene didn't honestly have a reason to kill Maya while Michael did.

Michael had later told NCIS that he was sad about what happened to Maya, but he claimed that Darlene was his soul mate and that he would have asked Maya for a divorce. So everyone had looked into Michael because they had been sure he was their guy and the one thing standing in the way of that had been the tapes. The tapes at the airport had showed someone matching Michael's description getting on a plane when Maya died. Yet, DiNozzo Senior who was a new member of the Sherlocks had been the one to figure out how Michael had killed his wife. DiNozzo had realized that Michael had traded clothes and hats with a guy that could practically be his double and that's how he had been two places at once.

So Michael did reveal in the end that he had killed his wife because she had tried telling her that he wanted a divorce and the catholic Maya had told him "no". Maya had thought they could still work on their marriage and so her fear about returning home had been from not wanting to be served divorce papers the second she set foot on land. But Michael had known that his wife would fight him and so he thought killing her would move things faster because he had been on a time crunch. He had found out that Darlene was pregnant and he wanted to start over with her and the baby.

Pandora's Box, Part I

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Guest Stars: Scott Bakula (Dwayne Pride), Lucas Black (Christopher LaSalle), Barry Shabaka Henley (Earl Goddard), Alex Carter (Knox Ellicott), Julia Whelan (Greta Fensternacht), Desmond Askew (John James Axiom), Brian Elerding (Phil Kurjak), Greg Collins (Metro Police Officer), Gavin Leatherwood (Dezic's Son), Pablo Espinosa (Arena Security Guard), Aleksandar Filimonovic (Armed Bodyguard), Jessy Leros (Ferdinand Pisco)
Production Code: 14016
Summary: When Abby's homeland security think tank is compromised, the team realizes that a theoretical terror playbook has been stolen.



Abby had gotten conned. She had somehow been talked into taking part in a think tank despite her reservations and she had carried out the mission that Homeland Security had assigned for everyone working the experiment. But the think tank hadn't been what it appeared. Abby had thought she was working for the good guys when she along with the others came up with a terrorist scheme that could potential kill people. So she had been confused when the fake bomb and sarin gas balloons she carried into the arena had proved to be all too real in the end.

But no one had gotten hurt, luckily. Abby had been caught by the MetroPolice before she could activate the plan and so she had never gotten the chance to detonate the bombs or release the balloons into the air vents. So Abby didn't find out that she had in fact been conned until the police had set off one of the bombs in a safe designated area and she had been left looking like a fool because she had been trying to tell them that it was all fake yet she had wisely asked for Gibbs and Gibbs came through for her.

Gibbs had alerted the team and Director Vance that someone had piggy-backed on the think tank's plan for the crowded arena. But the question was who? Abby had had a team for the think tank and so she had found them at the hotel where they all met with Earl. So they all wondered where was Earl. Earl Goddard was the Homeland Security Agent and he was the one that brought them all together to make a plan for the arena though his disappearance after that plan had gone haywire had seemed suspicious.

So an APB had been put out for him and he was later found in his van however he had been dead by then. Earl had died from Sarin gas and so they had made everyone believe that he might have switched out their harmless for something more dangerous before taking his own life. But Earl's people weren't buying that. There were some on the think tank that swore Earl would never harm innocent people and naturally Earl's bosses didn't like it that one of their own was being accused of something.

On the other hand, Homeland Security weren't really willing to fight anyone on the point that Earl was their terrorist because they also thought he did it and simply didn't want that information to get out. But the agent that Homeland sent down to run point on the case had did more harm than good. Agent Knox Ellicott hadn't told anyone that he had wiped his office's entire data and Gibbs's people had had to find out about it for themselves. The guys had all been talking to the think tank and one person had said he called Homeland to complain yet they had never heard of him.

All of Earl's files for the last couple of weeks had all been wiped and his alleged friend Knox had wiped his computer on the night he died. But Knox swears he had nothing to do with what happened to Earl. He said that he had been checking his files on his computer at home which was a big no no when he saw that someone was hacking his computer. So Knox said he had ordered an entire wipe at the office to keep the hack from spreading and hopefully cut it off at the knees. And so the fact he did what he did to cover his own butt had been something to consider.

But Knox had been telling the truth when he said that someone attempted to hack him. McGee had run a system check on all of the computers and it had unfortunately been revealed to him that someone had hacked Homeland Security files all across the country. So every idea that the think tank over the years have come up had been stolen and so there suddenly a national concern over another terrorist attack though the attack on Earl hadn't seemed like it was part of a bigger plan and that's because it wasn't.

Whoever had stolen the playbook hadn't killed Earl or gone out of his way to kill people at that arena. So the guys checked who was in the VIP suite and had found out that a former sniper during the Bosnian War had taken his son to the concert. The sniper turned politician was Jovan Dezic and he had taken part in a death connected to a young man in the think tank. The young man's parents had been killed by Dezic however Dezic never served time for it because it had been hard to prove that he had been there.

So the whole think tank had been arranged to kill Dezic. The guy had faked reports for Earl about a possible sarin attack and that had led to the experiment. But then Earl became suspicious and he had been killed because he was going to plug on everything though Earl had done something with his last breath. He had set off the alarms inside and had made sure that MertoPolice stopped Abby could before she could carry out the attack. And so Abby had also done something for Earl, she had stopped a second attack that had been planned and she had fully cleared Earl's name.

The playbook however was still out there and the some of the agents were heading to New Orleans to find it.

The episode concludes in the *NCIS: New Orleans* episode S03E14 titled "*Pandora's Box, Part II*".

A Many Splendored Thing

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Season Episode: 16

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Guest Stars: Rafi Silver (Qasim Naasir), Bruce Locke (Kai Chen), Bob Stephenson (Kevin Lane), Adam Silver (Dabney), Tyson Turrou (Pete), Mary Stuart Masterson (Congresswoman Jenna Flemming), Tiffany Daniels (Navy Lt. Cmdr. Renée Turner), Grace Rowe (NCIS Special Agent Donna Andrews), LeRome R. Mendheim (NCIS Special Agent Rome Derramado)
Production Code: 14015
Summary: Bishop becomes more determined than ever to seek revenge for the murder of Qasim, her late boyfriend, after Gibbs and the team find a new lead in the Chen case. Meanwhile, Torres teaches the agents the art of pickpocketing.



Naval Commander Renee Turner was murdered. She had apparently gone jogging like she routinely did and she had returned home to find a gun laid out for her however her killers had been kind enough to call her make their motivations known. They had said that Turner had let them down which appeared to be a death penalty in itself and so they demanded that she kill herself with the gun or Turner's daughter would face her mother's punishment. So Turner didn't have much of a choice. She had been told to kill herself or let her daughter die and so she chose to kill herself.

But that begged the question of what she did to deserve punishment? Turner was a decorated naval commander and she had been married to someone that had also been involved with the navy. So her death just didn't make sense. Turner had no reason whatsoever to be dirty and her file had seemed normal enough yet she did something and that led to her death. And so NCIS were flying blind when they received Turner's case. They had looked into Turner and she had come across as a devoted mother. She had planned a trip planned to Disney world as a surprise for her daughter and she had admittedly been doing her best to let the time fly by with her husband on tour.

So Turner's death had stumped NCIS. They didn't know why she would commit suicide because she didn't have a record of depression and no one in her unit had suspected that there wasn't anything wrong. Though something about the scene, while clean-cut, had felt wrong. The

guys had found the TV still on and there hadn't been any indication that Turner was gearing up to kill herself much less go through with it, but Gibbs had ordered his people to go through everything and McGee had been told to find out where the feed for the TV was coming from. And he had had to investigate on his own because Bishop had surprisingly bailed on him.

Bishop had said that her water heat had sprung a leak and that she had to take care of it. So Gibbs had allowed her to leave the scene and he had thought she was going right home though she instead went to a meeting with Reeves. Reeves and Bishop had started their own investigation into Chen and their latest lead had told them about a radio station. The guy who was allegedly a courier for Chen had overheard some of Chen's people talking and he said that he overheard them talking about a radio station. However, Reeves and Bishop had wanted to check out the station for themselves and so they had eventually run into Gibbs and Quinn.

Gibbs had found out that someone used the video feed to threaten Turner and so McGee had traced the feed directly to that radio station. So that meant Turner's death was somehow connected to Chen however neither Gibbs nor Vance had wanted to hear excuses from their rogue agents about why they hadn't stood down liked they had been told. Yet, Bishop and Reeves didn't feel like they had been in the wrong. They had lost friends and had almost died because of Chen and so arresting Chen meant a lot to them. Even if others didn't understand it or thought that they were on some revenge mission.

But Bishop and Reeves hadn't been just stumbling in the dark. They knew that the radio station had attacked the electrical grid and they had been trying to prove it when they had been caught. So Gibbs had followed up on their leads and he had properly interrogated their witness though that radio station that was all so important was part of an underground network. The network was apparently put in place by survivalist who thought the world was going to end and had been a compound for themselves where they thought they would be safe with their weapons. And so Gibbs had had to ask the "survivalists" some questions.

Gibbs had asked the guy running the place if he knew Chen and it seems he didn't know Chen's name, but he did know Chen. Chen had been going by the name "Bobby" with the survivalist and he had even helped them fund their compound. Though Bishop had wondered if the attack that Chen was planning was so bad that he wanted a compound to escape to if need be. So NCIS had continued on with the interrogation and he had found out something important. He had found out that Chen was allegedly coming into town that same weekend and that they could catch him if they moved fast enough.

So the Director had called the mission in and he had been completely set on capturing Chen yet somehow the mission to find the billionaire terrorist had later gotten derailed. The higher ups and their personal spokeswoman, which turned out to be Congresswoman Jenna Flemming, had told Vance and NCIS that they couldn't bring in Chen. They had said that they didn't have enough evidence to arrest him and so at most all they could do was surveillance. However, Bishop hadn't been happy with that. She had lost Qasim who had been more than her boyfriend and had actually been her fiancée because Chen had wanted to stop Qasim from cracking his code.

The strangest thing happened, however. Chen had showed up at Gibbs's house and he had practically gloated about being untouchable. He had told Gibbs and Bishop that he was working with the CIA and Jenna later confirmed it. The congresswoman had told Gibbs and the Director that just so happened to be her boyfriend that Chen had agreed to work with the CIA on capturing a man that was terrorizing Aleppo. Yet, Bishop had done some recon on the man in question while she was in the NSA and she had said that he was small potatoes. So she had wanted to arrest Chen and get justice. And she had no problem with going rogue.

Bishop had gone out of her way to steal the congresswoman's cell phone and that she had used it to set up Chen. So she had in fact ambushed him. He hadn't been expecting to see her and he hadn't come with any backup because he thought he was meeting with a handler. But instead, Bishop had handcuffed to a generator with his code to blow and she had told him that he could press the trigger or wait for the Syrians she had called. Which would be the same men that Chen had been willing to inform on.

And so given such a choice, Chen chose to kill himself by blowing the generator and that stopped him from ever going through with his grand plan.

However, Bishop went rogue and Gibbs told her that there will always be a price that comes with doing that!

What Lies Above

Season 14
Episode Number: 323
Season Episode: 17

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Guest Stars: Gena Shaw (Margo Lenkovic), Blake Berris (Walter Shibberd), Mary Stuart Masterson (Congresswoman Jenna Flemming), French Stewart (Paul Tripp), Christopher T. Wood (Congressman Stephen Shaw)
Production Code: 14017
Summary: McGee's apartment is torn apart by a robber looking for a valuable item hidden by the previous tenant, a convicted criminal.



McGee walked in on his apartment getting ransacked on tonight's episode. But, thankfully, he hadn't been truly harmed. McGee had been able to get to his gun in time and he even took out of one of the assailants however one guy got away and McGee didn't know why someone had been searching his apartment. So he had just been glad that his girlfriend Delilah wasn't there because he didn't want to explain how bad the damage or why his friends all thought an earlier triple homicide at the apartment was involved.

However, it wasn't just McGee's team that believed the apartment's bloody history might have something to do with what happened. Gibbs had also been intrigued when he heard about the triple homicide for himself because it seems he and Quinn had been left out of the loop. So McGee explained everything. He said Paul Triff who worked as a licensed furrier had actual used his furrier business as a front for a smuggling ring when he turned on his fellow smugglers and cut them into pieces using an electric carving knife.

So Quinn had frankly been astonished that McGee would ever want to live there and Delilah was somehow ok with it. Yet, McGee admitted that he hadn't told Delilah. He said he would simply worry her and so he hadn't want to tell her about it though the others did push him into telling her little by little. Like he eventually worked his way into telling her that the apartment had been broken into before confessing that there had been some damage so what he was struggling with was the murder part.

McGee hadn't wanted to his girlfriend about the triple homicide because he knew he would then have to tell her that he hid it from her. Though while McGee had been hoping for another possible scenario, he and his team had found the other assailant that had been at the apartment and he had confessed that his dead partner had told him something valuable had been hidden

there. He said that Louis worked in a lot of prison kitchens over the years and that one day the guy that used to live at the apartment admitted that he hid something that the police were never able to find.

What that 'thing' was on the hand was still a mystery. Louis hadn't told his partner everything and so NCIS had to go directly to the source to find out what had been hidden at the apartment from hell. But Truff hadn't wanted to tell them anything. The serial killer had thought it was funny that a federal agent was no living in his former apartment and he did his best to bait McGee rather than tell the team anything they could use. So they had to fall back on Abby. Abby had promised that she could search the walls without tearing the place up and she did her best to abide by that.

However, Abby hadn't said anything about not ripping the place up once she detected something. So Abby did have take up the floorboards when she detected something under McGee's bed yet McGee had had to remove his father's ashes that had placed and everyone had thought that was a little odd because they didn't understand why McGee or even Delilah for that matter would sleep over his father's last resting spot. And so they were still pondering that when Abby revealed the treasure that Louis had been trying to find.

Louis had apparently been looking for Logan Pruitt's body. Yet, Pruitt was well-known because of his involvement with the Pretoria Heist. The Pretoria Heist was when over a million dollars worth of African diamonds were stolen some years ago and many believed that Pruitt was involved seeing as he disappeared not long after that. So NCIS didn't know what was going on until Ducky and Palmer found a key in Pruitt which looked like a bank key and would be a perfect spot to hide diamonds.

So the team did have answers for Truff and he eventually want to tell his side of the story. He told them that he and Pruitt had stolen the diamonds and the agreement was that they would sit on them for a few years, but then Truff found out that Pruitt had bought a condo and was buying politicians steak dinners like he had money to burn. Though Truff thought that was calling attention to them so he threatened to take the diamonds away and Pruitt swallowed the key because he swore Truff would get the diamonds over his dead body. And that turned out to be a mistake.

Truff had no problem with killing Pruitt and because he still wanted to wait on the diamonds he didn't have a problem with leaving the key in Pruitt's stomach. But then he went to jail and he thought that Louis was a nice guy. So that's why he told Louis about the key and he also knew where the bank was however he wanted a bigger cell in exchange for telling NCIS the diamonds' location and that was a deal they weren't prepared to make. Not even when Congresswoman Jenna Flemming told the Director that would up his profile on Capitol Hill.

Director Vance had tried to tell his girlfriend that what he and his people did was important because they didn't go around making deals to make themselves look good yet Jenna had gotten offended by that and she had ended their relationship. However, NCIS found the bank on their own and they were still able to recover the diamonds without making a deal. So Truff lost and McGee admitted to everything to his girlfriend of his own free will.

M.I.A.

Season 14
Episode Number: 324
Season Episode: 18

Originally aired: Tuesday March 14, 2017
Writer: Jennifer Corbett
Director: Thomas J. Wright
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Guest Stars: John Finn (Ret. General Charles T. Ellison), Katherine Cunningham (Navy Lieutenant Laura Ellison), Sean Carrigan (Michael Vinton), Lucas Kerr (Holden Baxter), Preston Jones (Navy Petty Officer First Class David Collins), Matty Castano (Eric), Nayo Wallace (Doctor), Angela Trimbur (Nicole Trainer), April Betts (Waitress)
Production Code: 14018
Summary: Gibbs honors a sailor's dying wish and re-investigates a closed case that was originally deemed an accidental death and discovers it was actually murder. Meanwhile, the probe reminds Torres of a tragic time from his past.



Navy Lieutenant Laura Ellison had been at the hospital the last few months. She was apparently dying of Stage Four ovarian cancer and she had wanted to do something for a friend before she died however she needed Gibbs's help to do it. So Laura's father who was General Ellison had done the asking for. He had gone to Gibbs like the old friend that he was and he had told him that his daughter needed him. But Laura had wanted to tell Gibbs the details herself because of how important it was to her and so Gibbs had gone to her.

However, he hadn't been prepared for what she had to say. Laura had wanted Gibbs and NCIS to look into Navy Petty Officer First Class David Collins's death. She said she had served with Collins and that it had been her job to look after him yet there were a lot of things that he wouldn't discuss with her. He had come onto the ship one day with a black eye and he had told Laura that it was better not to say what happened to him because he hadn't wanted to lie. So Laura had had some doubts when not long after she spotted the black eye, Collins "accidentally" fell overboard.

So Laura had said that she thought someone had arranged for Collins's death to look like an accident and she had wanted Gibbs to open an investigation based on her gut. Yet, there were going to be a few problems with doing that. Gibbs and his people had to review a case that was at least ten months cold and had already been closed by another NCIS unit. So his people had to do a lot of checking up on what was in already in the file. They had talked with people on the ship that had heard about the accident or had known Collins. And so they came across Nicole.

Nicole had been Collins's friend and she had told them how Collins had gotten the black. She said she had been dating someone at the time that had gotten jealous of their friendship and that he had punched Collins when Collins stood up for her. So Torres and McGee had met Holden Baxter and he said that he had moved on by time Collins went overboard, but it had been pretty clear that he had still carried a grudge. He said that Lt. Laura had made his life a living hell and that she had only been doing so because she had been in a relationship with Collins. Though Laura later said that wasn't true.

Laura had told Bishop that she had been close to Collins because she believed he had incredible potential and she had wanted him to take advantage of that however Laura also said they hadn't been in a romantic relationship. She said that Holden got into so much trouble that he went down a paygrade and still refused to believe it was his own fault. But Torres had been acting oddly while Bishop had been questioning Laura. He had been pacing back and forth which wasn't like him and it had been clear that he was barely paying attention to the conversation. So Bishop had tried to ask him about that afterwards and Torres had pretended like nothing was wrong.

Torres had said that he was good yet he continued to act absent-minded. So at first Bishop had just thought he was ignoring his feelings and she hadn't thought it would a problem with the case because they later had a breakthrough. Abby had found out that Collins's blood had been on a broken part of the ship and they had found where he went overboard. However, Abby had also found traces of bleach on the area and the Navy wasn't allowed to clean the ships with it so that must mean someone tried to clean up the crime scene.

Yet, there had been more than just that. Bishop and Torres had found out that several traces of drugs on the ship and so they had looked into who had access to leave at will. So they found out the only one person had received a large case influx and it had been Nicole Trainer though, when McGee and Quinn went to question her, they had found her dead of a supposed overdose. Nicole had been found in a needle in her arm and plenty of heroin at her rundown apartment. And so one of the first things anyone questioned had been the apartment.

Nicole had had a hundred thousand in her bank account and so it hadn't made sense why she had been living at what could only be described as one step above a crack den. So of course everyone had wondered if she had felt guilty about accepting the money with her friend dead and possibly because of her, but that hadn't explained her death or why Ducky had found restraints marks on her arms and so Ducky had taken a DNA sample of Nicole's fingernails because she had fought off her attacker as well.

So Abby had gotten the answers she needed pretty quickly. She had found out that the assailant had been in the Navy records and it turns out that Holden had been one of the last few people to see Nicole alive. But Holden had told NCIS that he hadn't killed Nicole. He said he had gone to see her because he had been worried about her. Holden told the guys that someone had forced Nicole to take the drugs with her and that all he had wanted to do was to protect her from what she did however she hadn't wanted his help and she had thrown him out of her apartment. And so Holden believed someone must have gone to see her after he did and Gibbs was willing to believe it.

Holden could be a jerk yet he hadn't had the pull to force Nicole into anything because she had broken up with him early on. So Bishop and McGee looked up who had signed off on all of Nicole's searches and it had been Chief Michael Vinton. Vinton was apparently getting forced into retirement and so he had needed a get rich quick scheme. However, he had also been dumb enough to hide everything on his basement and so Quinn and Gibbs had no problem with arresting him afterwards. And he had also helped because he decided not to fight them once the rest of the crew found out he had killed two of their own.

And so Gibbs was able to provide Laura the closure she needed and he had even gotten Collins to be posthumously awarded the rank of naval officer. So that would have been fine for Laura, but she had also met a new friend. Laura had been assigned Torres when they thought she might be in danger and she helped him get to the heart of why he hated hospitals. Yet, she had pretty much called it beforehand. There had been someone that Torres had loved and she had died of cancer so he hadn't wanted to be around Laura at first because she reminded him of what he lost. So Torres had actually fought taking on her detail and he had almost pushed Gibbs too far though in the end he came to appreciate Gibbs forcing him to face his fears. And he even liked Laura.

The Wall

Season 14

Episode Number: 325

Season Episode: 19

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Guest Stars: Samantha Colburn (Bridget O'Leary), Bruce McGill (Henry), Will Radford (Dale Gruber), Jamie Sara Slovon (Trish Collinson), Peter James Smith (Benjamin Harmey), Delpaneaux Wills (Corporal Beck)
Production Code: 14019
Summary: A Marine is murdered at an event for the Honor Flight Network, a non-profit that arranges for veterans to visit the World War II, Korea and Vietnam War Memorials in Washington, D.C., for free. The NCIS team is forced to rely on a cantankerous Vietnam veteran to provide details on the victim's whereabouts throughout the day he was killed.



McGee had a friend that went through training with Torres and she had revealed to him something he hadn't known about Torres. Like how Torres allegedly had had a brief fling with Quinn who had been their instructor at the time. But McGee being the gossipy sort had talked to Bishop about what he heard and she didn't believe him at first. She hadn't noticed anything different or even sensed anything romantically inclined between Torres and Quinn. So Bishop had need proof and McGee had wanted to find some. He watched Torres and Quinn and he had been hoping to spot some sign

that the two were once the plot to 'Top Gun' however he was later grasping at straws.

McGee and the others had gotten called to a crime scene after a Marine suffered what looked like a suspicious death. However, McGee had seen Quinn drop her notebook and Torres retrieve it for her. So he thought that Torres's hands had lingered when he handed the notebook back and so he had tried to show Bishop that because he thought that was her proof yet Bishop hadn't been impressed. She said that Torres was merely being nice and that he would have done that for anyone. And so she tried to put the rumors to rest by doing her own research. Bishop had later contacted a friend who knew someone that had also been part of the FLETC class.

Yet, the friend of a friend had confirmed the rumors. People in the same FLETC class had all believed that Torres and Quinn had had some torrid relationship that had burnt itself out fairly quickly and that neither party had let the relationship distract them for the remainder of training. So things only became worse once Bishop suddenly believed in the rumors because she

then assisted McGee with finding out more about the supposed relationship and the pair of them had found out that Torres had participated in karaoke session that he dedicated to Quinn who then fell for him. And that rumor had some basis of truth in it.

Torres sung "Puppy Love" at a karaoke bar and there did appear to be a woman that looked like Quinn listening. Though both Bishop and McGee had gotten so caught up in discovering whether or not Torres had won over Quinn with a song that they started to ignore the investigation. NCIS were investigating Corporal Beck's death because he fell down and began foaming at the mouth before he died, but the team had also figured a few other things since then. Like the fact that Beck had been poisoned and that the weapon had been injected through the smallest pinprick that Beck probably thought was a mosquito.

So that begged the question why? Why did someone want to kill Corporal Beck? Beck was considered to be a kind-hearted young man that liked to volunteer during his own hours and he was even volunteering with the Honor Flight Network when he had been killed. But the non-profit organization had nothing to do with Beck's murder. He had been a temporary guardian for a Vietnam vet that didn't have any family to show him around and, while the vet had been cankerous, he hadn't been deadly. And so the vet, whose name was Henry Rogers, turned out to be the last person that saw Beck alive.

Unfortunately, Henry didn't want to be of any help. He was a cranky old man that didn't have family and had seemingly hated everyone. So Henry had been assigned to Reeves. Reeves had demanded more responsibility and he had been a slight pain in the neck for Vance so Vance had wanted to see if Reeves could rise to the occasion. However, Reeves and Henry hadn't gotten along very well. The two men had both been stubborn and they could say things they didn't mean yet Henry was constantly attempting to escape and he refused to let Reeves protect him. He said that he didn't need a baby-sitter and that he just wanted to go back to his hotel room.

Yet, Reeves had asked Henry about that. He had wanted to know why Henry had travelled with the Honor Flight Network to see the Vietnam memorial and they not go. So Reeves had tried talking about it with Henry and he did get some answers. He found out that Henry had won a medal because of his overseas heroics and that the medal didn't matter to Henry because he still lost friends over there. And so Reeves knew the subject was a touchy one for Henry though he didn't count on Henry losing him just to go visit the memorial by himself because he hadn't wanted anyone around to see how much pain he was in.

So Reeves gained a new understanding of Henry and Henry was helpful in his own way. Henry had told the agents about the woman that had bumped into Beck and he later identified a woman that had been around the corporal during his time of death. Though the woman that Henry had identified was a suspect in two murders. Bridget O'Leary had apparently been near a young woman's apartment when she had also been poisoned to death, but the murders had been connected because Beck had volunteered at a Crisis Center when Maya called and she must have told him about what her bosses were doing.

Maya's bosses were attempting to sell flooring that used a dangerous chemical that would make people sick. So she had reached out to a journalist that she hoped would break the story and she had also confessed to Beck. But Maya's friend and coworker who had signed off on the environmental safety report had found out about the confession so she killed Beck and erased his phone logs at the center however that hadn't been enough and so Bridget then killed Maya hoping that the story would die with her. And, well, that didn't happen. The story did break and now Bridget was facing time for a double murder.

And because he knew how important it was to Henry to have someone that cared, Reeves organized a welcome home party for Henry Rogers so that his entire town knew about the returning Vietnam Hero. However, Torres and Quinn both denied the rumors. They said they had never been in a relationship yet there was more to their story than they were letting on by the way they looked at each other when no one else was around. So who knows what between them or what could happen between them!

A Bowl of Cherries

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Guest Stars: Philip Smithey (Clint Asher), Brent Briscoe (Buzz), Raychel Diane Weiner (Reese Goldman), Craig Robert Young (Ian Lipovetskiy), Erica Luttrell (Allison Asher), Andrew Bridges (Navy Lieutenant Lazlo Downey), Bruce Boxleitner (Vice Admiral C. Clifford Chase), Michael Drayer (Carlo Hackett), Mercedes Ruehl (Marie Quinn), Gabriel Baca (Jorge), Kyle Marasciulo (Logan Rollins)
Production Code: 14020
Summary: A vice admiral's laptop is infected with ransomware and he enlists McGee's help to track down the hacker before the computer virus eliminates his personal and professional files. Meanwhile, Alex takes time off to assist her mother, after she receives a 911 text.



Vice Admiral Chase asked for McGee's services when his computer became infected with something called ransomware. However, there wasn't much that McGee could do for him because he couldn't access any of the files or protect them until he had the ransom key. So McGee thought Chase's best bet was to pay up and he had told the other man that very same thing though the Vice Admiral had said that he wouldn't do that. He had claimed that he never gave up a day in his life and that he wasn't going to start now.

Though McGee had more or less told Chase that he was on his own. McGee knew his limits and he wasn't going to waste their time by pretending he could get rid of the ransomware when he knew he could not. So McGee had walked away and the Vice Admiral hadn't appreciated it. Chase had thought that they could still save his data and so he decided to motivate McGee. McGee had unfortunately mentioned that the virus would spread if Chase were to try and send a message to anyone so Chase later decided to send Tim the virus.

Chase had thought that would be enough to get McGee to look at his case again. But Chase hadn't known that McGee shared his Wi-Fi with everyone in his department and so everyone became infected. Bishop, Torres, Quinn, and even Reeves. So the only one that hadn't been affected had been Gibbs. Gibbs was pretty low tech already so his phone had been safe yet his

team had been compromised and so the Vice Admiral case did become an NCIS case. And there was no simply nothing they could do about it.

So the Vice Admiral was later brought in because he had technically victimized the NCIS department and Vance had wanted answers. Yet, it turns out the reason Chase had been so desperate to get his laptop back was because of his wife. His wife had died a while ago and he had had pictures of her on the laptop that he said he was going to print one day and just never got around to it. And so Chase couldn't afford to lose those pictures. There were all he had left of his wife and he couldn't let the hacker destroy them.

The Hacker's entire game plan was to infect random computers with the ransomware and then threatened to delete the data unless he/they/or she were paid the ransom. However, the Vice Admiral's desperation led to the team being hacked and now there was no way to pay off the ransom because Vance wouldn't allow them to each pay off the hacker. So Chase ultimately got what he wanted and McGee as well as the others had tried to find the hacker before their time was up. And they thought their best shot was to go to the Hacker unit of the federal building.

The people working there at least could devote the time needed to find a way to get around the hack and so both Bishop and Reeves had dropped off the laptop believing they were going to get help. Though for some reason the guy that was supposed to help them had been acting quite suspiciously. Clint Asher had sort of jumped when he heard they had been infected by the Elliott virus and he had then claimed that he would work on the computer first thing until he found something. So he had said that he would call them that night.

But something about his behavior had made both Bishop and Reeves feel apprehensive about him. So they tried going back to Clint's office not long after they had left and they had found him gone. Clint was missing and the laptop was still in his office despite saying that he was going to get on it right away so the agents had wondered what was going on. They knew that they had their suspicions yet it didn't make sense for Clint to have done a runner within moments of them leaving and not take the computer.

If the computer connected him to the virus in any way then he would have taken it. Yet, it stayed and he just disappeared. So NCIS looked into Clint Asher and they hadn't found anything that would connect him to the virus. He was thirty years old with a wife and son however he had never been in trouble with the law and even his super secret storage container that he had put under a false name had been completely empty. And so they tried finding Clint by using the GPS on his car and it had been under a lake.

So NCIS had had the car pulled out of the water and surprisingly they found Clint Asher in the trunk of his car though he had been frozen to death and that wasn't a euphemism. Clint had actually been frozen to death with liquid nitrogen and not a lot of people had access to the amount that it would take to complete such a job. However, there was this thing called Cryotherapy Spa that was the latest trend so Bishop had looked into the spas in the area and she had found one that was ordering more than necessary.

The Spa was technically ordering enough material to give five hundred people their special treatment when they mostly had eighty to ninety people coming in a week. Though Bishop and McGee had spoken to the girl that oversaw the place while her manager was away and they had found out that there was something going on. The spa was apparently giving away tanks to someone by the name of David Yates and that had been the same name that was on the storage unit. So they knew that David Yates had to be real.

It was one thing to have the container and quite another to be meeting with people by that name. So the team assumed this David must have had something to do with Clint's death and they might have found out why. Clint, it seems had been familiar with the Elliott virus because he created it. Clint had created the virus in college and had sent it to all his friends as some sort of joke yet he had gotten in trouble for it and had gotten kicked out of college because his friends hadn't appreciated his joke. But the fact that Clint had created the virus meant he knew his killer.

His killer could have only have used the virus if he knew how it worked and how Clint set it up. So the answer to who the hacker was turned out to be Carlo Hackett who was Clint's roommate in college and who had helped create the virus. Yet, Carlo had gone down a different path. He had become obsessed with suspended animation and had even rented out a second storage unit where he had kept his frozen specimen in cryo-storage however his "specimen" had been homeless men that he had essentially killed and he had used the ransomware to help fund

his project.

The liquid nitrogen had been too expensive for Carlo who thought he was some kind of genius and could barely hold down a job. So he revived the ransomware and had ultimately killed his old friend Clint when Clint figured out what he was doing though Clint helped point the way to Carlo and capturing Carlo alive allowed the team to remove the ransomware without losing any data. However, the Vice Admiral did apologize in the end for what he did to the team and had learned a lesson about pride on tonight's episode of "NCIS".

And Quinn who hadn't been involved as much as usual with the case had been taking care of her mother who forgetting more and more of what's going on so Quinn ultimately decided to move back in with her.

One Book, Two Covers

Season 14
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Season Episode: 21

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Guest Stars: Johnny Ray Gill (Royce Layton), Henri Esteve (Johnny Diggs), Brian Andries (Marine Corporal Kyle Campbell), Cherise Boothe (Female Marine Officer), James C. Bristow (Marcel Alonzo), Kate Cobb (Reagan Reilly), Tony Sancho (Mitch Monroe), Josef Urban (Rosewood Boy)
Production Code: 14021
Summary: The murder of a Marine is linked to an old dirt bike gang Torres joined while undercover.



A Marine Corporal was found murdered by the side of the road. His name had been Kyle Campbell and he had seemed like an upstanding guy. However, there was evidence not that far from where the body was found that a dirt bike had gotten into a truck and so it didn't like a coincidence that a dirt bike had been used that same day during a bank robbery. So NCIS had known that the robbery was connected to Campbell's murder, but Torres had been the one to connect the dots because he was apparently familiar with that MO.

Torres as it turns had been worked a case back during his undercover days in which he infiltrated a biker gang that just so happens to like robbing banks. But when Gibbs asked why an NCIS Agent had gotten involved in something like that, Torres had told him that the gang used to like recruiting sailors and military personnel. So it had looked like Torres was onto something when he told everyone about the Rosewood Boys though Torres had thought that put that part of his life behind when the leader of the Rosewood Boys went to prison.

Mitch Monroe was serving twenty years for what he did and there was no way he could get out of it because Torres had turned one of the Rosewood Boys against Mitch. Though Gibbs hadn't wanted to rule out Mitch possibly running things behind bars, so he went to go speak to him and he had been surprised when Mitch hadn't known anything about the recent robberies. He said that a lot of his old friends were either dead or scattered to the four winds. So no one had been in contact with him for a long time yet he had still be somehow proud of his boys.

He said real Rosewood Boys wouldn't talk and now that Nick the traitor wasn't around he didn't believe the feds could ever stop them. Yet, Mitch had also said asked Gibbs and Bishop

to pass on a message for him. He asked them to remind Nick that he wouldn't be behind bars forever. So again it had just seemed like too much of a coincidence when Torres went to go get some of his old case notes and was nearly blown up because someone had rigged his old dirt bike. And so Bishop later questioned if his cover was blow, except Gibbs thought differently.

Gibbs thought that if someone truly wanted Torres dead then they would have actually killed him rather than just leave something like a message behind. However, Torres didn't think he knew who the new guys running things were. His contacts were rather old and he didn't know what things were like now. So Quinn had brought in Campbell's ex-girlfriend and the girlfriend had told them about the gps tracking device that she had put on Campbell's car to see where he was going, but while she had been embarrassed by her confession, the ex did help them pin down Campbell's location in the last few days.

He had apparently gone to the track where all the people ride their dirt bikes. So Gibbs using the information they had on what to look for had found the right bike and had even gotten picture of the rider though Torres couldn't remember who Alonzo was. He said that there had been plenty of guys that weren't part of the investigation and that Alonzo didn't stick out for him. But Torres had thought that he could speak to an old friend from those days because Royce had been the same man that flipped on Mitch.

So Torres had gone to see his old friend and Royce had been happy to see him. Though Royce seemed to remember things a lot differently than Torres did. He for instance thought that what he did to Mitch was wrong because he became a rat and so Royce was questioning what they did to take down the crew seeing as so many had gotten hurt yet Torres had tried to tell Royce that Mitch deserved to get put away and that what they did had been the right thing to do. And then Torres had asked for another favor.

Torres has asked Royce if he recognized Alonzo and he did. He said that Alonzo was a harmless kid and that he couldn't be in trouble. Yet, Torres said they had evidence that Alonzo killed a marine. So Royce gave Torres all the information he had on Alonzo and Torres had thought he could use that to get Alonzo to talk when the unexpected happened. Torres had found Alonzo and his boyfriend murdered and whoever did had called Torres saying that the investigation should end now before Torres threw away his own career.

However, not a lot of people knew that Torres had planted evidence to frame Mitch. So Torres was already having his suspicions when Abby said the substance found on Alonzo's boots and connects him to all the crime scenes was clay. Like the same clay that Torres saw Royce used. And so Torres knew that Royce was the new guy in charge, but Royce also happened to be the one person he confessed to about Mitch and Royce had claimed that he had a tape of the entire encounter. So Torres was out of options.

He knew that he couldn't give Royce money to keep quiet and didn't want to allow Royce to continue doing business. So he went to Gibbs and Gibbs surprisingly had his back in the whole matter because there had been a few things he did that there out of the book. And so Gibbs helped Torres take down Royce and he covered up the tape in which Torres confessed to what he did by claiming it was a lot of mumblings that didn't make sense.

And that more than anything saved Torres's career after he made one mistake in his youth.

Beastmaster

Season 14

Episode Number: 328

Season Episode: 22

Originally aired:	Tuesday May 2, 2017
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Guest Stars:	Jimmy Akingbola (Liberian Ambassador Gabriel Moore), Izzy Diaz (Nelson Ast), Kareem J. Grimes (Bushmeat Smuggler), Lorey Hayes (Teta Gayflor), Kym Jackson (Phoebe Spitz), Jason Rodriguez (Mounted Park Police Brad Cole), Elisabeth Röhm (May Dawson)
Production Code:	14023
Summary:	A Marine sergeant is murdered in a national park, and Gibbs and the NCIS team partner with mounted police to solve a string of related crimes in the park.



Unfortunately, a body was found in Rock Creek Park. The Mounty Police had found the body of Marine Sergeant Tanner after a long night on duty and there had been something strange about the crime scene. The victim was technically murdered by a piece of an old structure that's been in the mark for centuries and it was nearly impossible to move. But there was no doubt that the murder was suspicious. The Mounty that had been on duty that night had heard a struggle as well as the victim's screams. So she knew that the death wasn't ordinary and she wanted to help NCIS with their investigation.

NCIS was brought in because the victim had been military personnel. However, Mounty May Dawson felt attached to this case and she knew the park better than the federal agents. So she pointed out a few things they might have missed as they were going over the crime scene. She pointed out that there was blood on other forms of the same building that killed Tanner and that blood led them to finding several skulls that clearly belonged to animals yet there was some confusion. The skulls themselves were of rare monkeys found only in Africa and that begged the question of why their victim was in the park.

Or for that matter if the victim was truly a victim? Tanner after all could have been up to anything that late at night and so NCIS did investigate if their victim had been involved in any way of trafficking those skulls seeing as they did fetch a high price on the black market. Yet, that line of question was immediately put down because Tanner had been involved with an animal protection group that worked all over the world and his group in particular recently put away one of the biggest animal poachers there is. So Bishop and Quinn looked into a possibility that Tanner's death was a reprisal thought they couldn't get anything concrete.

The poacher he had put away was still in jail and, while he had the means to put a bounty on Tanner's head, there wasn't anything cropping up. Though there was another incident in the park. Another Mouny had been arresting some pothead when he heard a noise and tried to follow it, but he had gotten shot in the line of duty and the culprit had gotten away. So Gibbs teamed up with Mouny Dawson and together they tried to figure out what exactly was going on in the park for it to suddenly become a hotbed of crime. And it was as they were looking into the matter, that a foreign government demanded full knowledge of what happened to Tanner.

Tanner had apparently been working with foreign governments to help them train their own Mounies as well as protect their conservations. But an ambassador showing up in person and demanding to know every single detail of an American killed on American soil did send up some red flags. So Vance had tried to find out what was really behind the complaint however he had been fobbed off and nothing made sense until Gibbs and Dawson had a breakthrough. The two had found out about an old ranger's lodge that had been abandoned and so they had gone there expecting to find the culprits. And what they found was bush meat.

Bush meat was an old Liberian custom in which people smoked the meat from the animals they hunted. However, it had been outlawed worldwide because of the risk it represents. The meat isn't from domestic animals like chicken or goat and instead it was from monkeys and rare animals that possible carried diseases. So it could kill the people that eat and unfortunately the people that were selling didn't appear to care about the risks yet Tanner's cloud did help them clear up the part he played in it all because he had been recording these sellers in the park when they must have caught onto him and killed him to keep their enterprise a secret.

Yet, knowing the truth about why Tanner had been killed had made the Director call in the Liberian Ambassador for some answers. He figured the other man knew what was going on and had been trying to cover up what was happening in his country though the ambassador it seems had only wanted to protect his country. He said that it was hard enough fighting the image the rest of the world had for them that they couldn't risk a bush meat ring being the start of new epidemic. So rather than continue to hide the problem, the ambassador chose to work with NCIS and had gone to traditional Liberian market nearby to see if anyone selling there.

Only if they were then they were doing their best to hide it because neither the ambassador or Reeves found anything. Though they did come across a disgruntled friend of Tanner's who was trying to find evidence against the people that killed him. So Abby had had a lot of explaining to do because she was the one that revealed why Tanner died and, once she had apologized, Abby also told the team that there was a new crisis. She said that there had been an outbreak of Ebola from the same region that the meat came from and that the next shipment could very well be tainted. And so NCIS had had to stop the bush meat trafficking before they have Ebola outbreak in their own backyard.

So the team looked through all of Tanner's photos and one photo especially had helped them figure out who was one of the men in the picture. But once they caught him at the same Liberian market, he spilled everything. He told them about their contacts at the airport and even sold out everyone that was in involved however the Liberian ambassador had still been worried about how it looked for his country and so Vance had agreed to a joint press conference so that no one could turn them against each other or create an issue between the states and Liberia.

Something Blue

Season 14
Episode Number: 329
Season Episode: 23

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Guest Stars: Madeline Bertani (Regina Jones), Nick Clifford (Navy Petty Officer First Class Reed Harring), Christina Ferraro (Navy Chief Mary Choi), Margo Harshman (Delilah Fielding)
Production Code: 14023
Summary: The stress of McGee and Delilah's imminent wedding takes its toll, as Delilah is rushed to the hospital. Meanwhile, the NCIS team travels out to sea after a young and healthy petty officer aboard a Navy destroyer dies in his sleep.



Navy Petty Officer Gregory Jones was young and reasonably healthy for his age if the slight high blood pressure was discounted. So all in all it had made little sense to anyone why he would suddenly drop dead while their ship was sea however the commander followed protocol. Jones was checked over by the doctor onboard and his body was moved to the freezer for preservation. But there was later a complication when Gibbs and Palmer came onboard to investigate his death because someone had broken into the freezer and had removed the body without anyone seeing or hearing a thing.

However, a body doesn't just randomly disappear because that wasn't a thing! There simply had to be evidence of where the body was moved and so Gibbs called in the rest of the team to help investigate the matter yet they found nothing. Quinn, McGee, Bishop, and Torres all flew out to the USS McGuire and took pictures of the scene as well as interviewed all those that were supposedly close to Jones and they got nothing. There was no one on the ship that seemed to have a problem with Jones and he was considered to be a promising young officer. And therefore, the team left the ship with not much to go on and that proved to be hard for Jones's family.

Jones's sister was called in and she had been notified about her brother. Yet, she too was both upset and confused about his body disappearing into thin air because it just didn't make sense and unfortunately NCIS couldn't tell her everything. All they could say was that they were looking for Jones's remains and, while they were talking, Torres also asked the sister if her brother experienced any problems onboard. So she told him about the last conversation she had with Jones. He had sort called her out of the blue and she could hear something was wrong in his voice though she admitted that she didn't have time to ask and so all got was a name.

The sister said Jones was having problems with a fellow Petty Officer by the name of Herring. Herring as it turns out was hazing Jones with a few others and he said that they never went too far or crossed the line. Though both Bishop and Gibbs told him that Jones wouldn't have said anything to his sister about it if he had been ok with what was happening. So NCIS carefully looked into what exactly going on and, while it was horrible, they didn't really find a motive for murder, but Jones's body did later reappear. It had washed up onshore and the Coast Guard found it so those guys helped to ensure was imminently taken to the lab. And that no evidence was lost.

But what Palmer and Ducky found in Jones's autopsy didn't make sense. He was apparently high on drugs the night he died and that didn't sound like the man Jones was however the autopsy did make it clear that whatever drug he took was in his food. So Gibbs tried talking to the commander to find out if anyone would have drugged Jones and it turns out he had gotten the situation wrong. No one had tried to drug Jones because Jones's plate was originally meant for the commander. The commander had gone down to the mess hall to eat with everyone else and he just wasn't hungry enough to eat anything so he had passed his dish to Jones.

So Gibbs quickly caught on that the drugs were for the commander and he had asked the other man if he had any enemies on board. However, the commander wasn't sure if he did. He said he led over two hundred men and women and that no one jumped out as a suspect though fortunately Gibbs found a way to make finding a suspect easy. It had the whole crew of the ship go into the common areas while their bunkers were checked one by one by his team. And so drugs were found. They were just found in Herring's bed and Gibbs thought that sounded off because everything about the plan to kill the commander had been carefully planned while the drugs being found so soon was messy.

Gibbs figured no one go to such lengths just to slack off as they were getting away with the crime. So the guys went to investigate the drugs themselves. The drugs were called Blue Burgers and there was one person in Norfolk selling it in the area. Though McGee couldn't go. His fiancée Delilah passed out and so he had been at the hospital with her when they learned the good news. Delilah was pregnant and the doctor thought she needed to be careful because she was slightly anemic. And so the happy couple were excited about their news and they made the mistake of telling Abby. Abby had promised she wouldn't say anything and then she blew it later on.

She had kind of told everyone at the office and so the team was happy for McGee. Yet, before the team could celebrate the news with the couple, they wrapped up their case. They had found the drug dealer and he had identified a friend of Jones's. So it hadn't taken Gibbs a lot of time to crack their suspect because he had already felt bad enough that his plan to kill the commander had ended up targeting a friend, but he admitted that he also planted the drugs in Herring's room and that he was just covering up what he had done once he saw that Jones had died instead of his intended target.

And so one mistake changed everything and if Jones hadn't taken the plate then the plan would have worked without anyone suspecting a commander in his fifties suddenly dying was suspicious. But luckily the team had finished with the case just in time to attend McGee and Delilah's surprise wedding that they had moved up because their baby had changed their plans. So Gibbs acted as Delilah's man of honor and he had even given McGee his father's old watch because it was a wedding tradition to pass it on to the groom.

Rendezvous

Season 14

Episode Number: 330

Season Episode: 24

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Guest Stars: Anthony Alabi (Navy Petty Officer Christopher Clayton), Adolfo Alvarez (Carlos), Alonso Alvarez (Ramon), Emanuel Borria (Ricardo), Greg Bryan (Donald Burke), Jandres Burgos (R.A.C. Guard #2), Harold Cannon-Lopez (Elderly Man), Matthew Crowley (Doug), J. Claude Deering (Curtis Hubley), Jay Jablonski (Navy Cdr. Peter Josephson), Erin Krakow (Elizabeth Dean), Hans Marrero (R.A.C. Guard #1), Skyler Maxon (Navy PO1 Matthew Dean), Sumalee Montano (Nicole Taggart), Helen Sadler (Julie), Ethan Torres (Enrique), Alicia Urizar (Gabriella), Ludo Vika (Sister Lucita)
Production Code: 14024
Summary: Gibbs, McGee and Torres travel to a remote area in Paraguay that is controlled by a group of violent rebels, in an attempt to locate a missing Navy SEAL who disappeared during an unsanctioned trip.



A bickering young couple were gathering evidence of contaminated water when they came across a hand. Now the hand naturally belonged to someone however it took local authorities some to get an identification and once they it became a problem. The victim was Petty Officer Matthew Dean and he was an American. But Dean like other military personnel had been explicitly warned about going to a certain part of Paraguay and he had ignored that warning at his own peril. So Gibbs and his people had been asked to come in to

investigate what Dean was doing in Paraguay and why he was murdered so far from home?

Research on the other hand proved to be somewhat difficult. Dean was a Navy SEAL and so he couldn't talk about his job like other could and instead filled up his social media pages with pictures from one of his trips. Just not vacation sort of trips! Dean had apparently liked extreme sports and he would often go abroad by himself as a way to decompress after every tour.

However, Dean hadn't been in Paraguay to go water rafting down some of their stronger currents. He had actually told his wife that he was going to Canada to go fishing and so she had wanted to know why her husband would go back to Paraguay so soon.

She said that her husband had let it slip that his last mission had been in that country. Though Gibbs of course couldn't get Dean's commander to confirm that they had been there or

why they would have hypothetically have been there because those missions are need to know. So the team had tried to ask Peter Josephson about Dean's latest trip and Peter had told them that he was supposed to go fishing with Dean and another Petty Officer by the name of Charles Hudson and that he had to pull out the last minute because he got called to Afghanistan. And so Gibbs had wanted to know where he could find Charles and Peter hadn't been able to help.

He said that Charles was no longer in uniform and that he lived in a mobile home nowadays, but that he moved so often it would be impossible to find him if he hadn't wanted to be found. Yet, finding someone that didn't want to be found had been nothing for the guys and they eventually came across Charles's home only he hadn't been there.

He had gone with Dean and, by what they found at the trailer, it had looked like both men had loaded up on weapons. So the team had wanted to know what the two men had been planning and they decided to try the fourth partner. There was evidence that both Charles and Dean had prepared equipment for four people and two hadn't gone.

One of them had to be Peter except he wasn't saying anything. But the fourth partner had also missed the trip because he had gotten injured at his six-year-old's birthday party and that meant he was still in the state for them to question.

So they had visited Christopher Clayton in the hospital and they demanded to know about the mysterious fishing trip however he said that the code word "fishing trip" was just something they told their families for when they went to Vegas. As Chris explained, both Dean and Charles had a heavy gambling problem and the men already owed money to a few sketchy as is.

However, Dean's body hadn't been found in Vegas and so Quinn and Bishop had demanded to know about what happened in Paraguay. So Chris said that they had gone down there to investigate the uranium mines and that the mission had gone south before they could find anything conclusive though there had been one man in the village nearby that had gotten them all out.

And therefore everyone thought that Dean and Charles had gone down to Paraguay as a way to take the money that had been left behind in the failed mission and what seemed to work with that theory had been the fact that Dean was revealed to be alive. His hand had been taken only all the other human remains had actually belonged to Charles Hudson.

So Gibbs, Torres, and McGee hopped on the next flight to Paraguay to see if they find their missing Seal and oddly enough it hadn't been that hard to find him. Dean was being protected in the village by the same man that had saved his team last time and he revealed that he hadn't gone to South America for money.

He said that he and the others had owed Ricardo their lives and that hadn't been able to say when Ricardo had called needing help. Ricardo's son had been taken with a few other boys by the rebels that were planning on turning the boys into child soldiers yet Gibbs had told Dean that he needed to be evacuated rather than follow through on his plan to rescue the boys.

Gibbs had reminded Dean that he was missing a hand and that he needed medical assistance. Yet, Dean refused. He said he wasn't going anywhere until rescued the boys and so Gibbs decided to help. He had gotten some back up from the national army and had been prepared for anything that happened.

So Gibbs had also tried to warn McGee that he could turn back and that he would understand because McGee had more to lose than they did, but McGee had refused to leave them to fight alone. He said he was sticking it out until the end and had rescued the boys with the others. And so the only problems the rescue experienced was the escape.

The plane couldn't take off under so much enemy fire and so Gibbs had told the others to leave him behind however McGee couldn't do that and chose to stay with Gibbs while the plane got away.

Season Fifteen

House Divided

Season 15

Episode Number: 331

Season Episode: 1

Originally aired:	Tuesday September 26, 2017
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Guest Stars:	James Babson (Mickey Clark), Salvador Chacon (Guard), Chip Chinery (NCIS Agent Rodney Spence), Mark Casimir Dyniewicz (Zachary Brooks), Emiliano Díez (Jefe), Duane Henry (Clayton Reeves), Sumalee Montano (Nicole Taggart), Jon Root (Navy Pilot), Cheryl Texiera (Jezebel), Manuel Uriza (Nicolas Rebollo)
Production Code:	15001
Summary:	The NCIS team is tirelessly searching for Gibbs and McGee two months after they were last seen fighting an elusive group of rebels in a Paraguay jungle. Meanwhile, Vance and Torres are summoned to a congressional hearing regarding the fallout from the Paraguay mission.



Gibbs and McGee were still in Paraguay. The men had gone there as part of a rescue team and they had ended up saving the lives of three children however they had come into contact with the Revolutionary Armed Council. The RAC were part of a rogue group in Paraguay that used child soldiers as well as buy and sell weapons through the black market. But the group had attacked NCIS because of what naval officers were doing for the villages they attacked. So they followed our heroes to the rescue chopper and were

trying to kill them all when Gibbs decided to hold them off.

Gibbs kept the group from targeting his men and in return his team had been forced to leave him. However, McGee refused to leave Gibbs behind and jumped off the chopper before anyone could stop him. So the two men were left behind and somehow it had been up to Torres to later explain why. Torres had gotten dragged to the hill and was told he had to explain the actions of him and his team yet Torres didn't think he needed to explain anything. He said they had rescued children and that they needed to go back to Paraguay to rescue their men.

Yet, his bosses hadn't wanted to hear that. They said they had sent out a rescue team and they had been unable to find their men or the RAC because of what NCIS did. NCIS had attacked the RAC compound and that led to the group going deep underground where no one could find them. So the people in charge were upset by that because they had no idea where the group was or what they were doing with the uranium. The uranium was the sticking point. Everyone had wanted to know what that uranium would be used for and so the bosses were taking their frustration out on NCIS.

NCIS had been the one to ignore diplomatic protocol when they went to Paraguay and so Director Vance had had to explain himself. It had been his team after all and therefore he found himself in just as much as trouble as NCIS. But while the hill had written off Gibbs and McGee, they weren't dead and more importantly their team had gotten a lead. NCIS's headquarters had received a call from some man that allegedly wanted to tell them something although the man in question never got a chance to say what he wanted to talk about because he was murdered during a drive-by. Some car had come out of nowhere and shot the victim multiple times. Though Zachary Brooks's death had offered some revealing information. The man's hair had been falling out and so Ducky investigated why that is however he hadn't expected the victim to be suffering from radiation poisoning or that Abby would connect the poisoning to the same type of uranium the RAC were using. So the team looked into Zachary and they found out he was former drug dealer. He had seemingly spent most his life being in and out of prison. And so nothing changed until a year ago.

Zachary had suddenly gotten clean a year ago and stopped selling drugs. However, NCIS figured he must have stopped because he started selling something else. Like uranium. So NCIS investigated Zachary to find out where he could have gotten that uranium and they found out he liked to hang out at a certain bar. Zachary's girlfriend works at that bar and she initially hadn't wanted to talk to NCIS, but the team had pushed her. They threatened her with arrest and had told her about what to her boyfriend because whoever was in charge had ordered his death and she could be in danger too.

So the girlfriend later talked. She said that Zachary didn't know what he was getting into when he first took the job and that a trip to Paraguay had been what opened his eyes. He found out his boss was dealing in uranium and hadn't wanted any part of it. Which was why he called NCIS! But the man that had sent Zachary out of there had been the same person that owned the bar. She said Mickey Clark ran everything out of the bar and that she knew he was behind Zachary's death because he had been in the picture.

The picture she was talking about was of the crime scene. She had pointed to her boss that was clearly talking to NCIS and it turns out Mickey had pretend to be a witness. Yet, Mickey disappeared not long after that and so it had been up to Abby to triangulate his position though she got some help from Delilah. Delilah was concerned about her husband and she was pregnant. So she didn't want to sit back and do nothing while the others were tracking down a lead related to McGee. And Delilah knew she could help Abby.

Together, the two women worked on finding Mickey and they were able to locate him using the dating apps on his phone. Which were those apps that detailed how far Mickey was from his matches and so the ladies used that to pinpoint his exact location. Though Mickey wasn't in the talking mood. He had found out that they didn't know much and so he figured if he stayed quiet that they would be force to release him in the end, but the team had gotten their hands on his phone. His phone had one number was that was blacklisted and that Abby couldn't trace. So Bishop decided to call the number.

Bishop figured that was the only way they'd find out who he was talking to. But the man that had answered the call had been McGee. McGee and Gibbs had broken out of their cell and had gotten into the head office at the compound. So the guys needed to get out of their situation as fast as possible before anyone found out they had escaped their cell however NCIS didn't know their location and so Torres had helped Bishop figure it out. Torres had said that he wished they had Tindr and Bishop said why not. She put a profile on the sat phone and use that to track the guys' location.

They had apparently been on a boat this whole time. However, they didn't need to worry about the men there or how to get away because McGee had sent off the radiation alarm which caused the men to abandon the boat as well as their boss. So the guys handed over the boss to another prisoner because he was threatening them and that way they could still get rid of the guys without dirtying their hands. And so the guys got on their chopper this time around and were finally brought back home after spending months in captivity.

Twofer

Season 15
Episode Number: 332
Season Episode: 2

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Writer: Scott Williams
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Guest Stars: Todd Giebhenain (Leo), Judy Kain (Gladys Stone), A Leslie Kies (Donna Coyne), Matt Knudsen (Jensen Reed), Kristen O'Meara (Lydia Smith), Bo Youngblood (Janis)
Production Code: 15002
Summary: NCIS investigates when the body of a murdered Navy lieutenant, who disappeared over a year ago, is found by a cemetery grounds crew while relocating caskets on the property. Meanwhile, Gibbs and McGee must pass a psych evaluation before they can officially resume working.



The men were home! But they needed to be officially cleared by Dr. Grace Con-falone before they could return to fully duty and so she put them on something called "light duty". The guys had gotten a call from Bishop about a body being found and that they were needed. So Grace had allowed them to return to work though she didn't want them to strain themselves and therefore they were told to hang back. Gibbs couldn't assume control of his team and had to let Bishop continue to the run show until he had his

mental evaluation.

Though taking a step back hadn't been easy for McGee. McGee acted like everything was fine and so the only one that noticed something wrong was Gibbs. Gibbs had also come back different however he was experiencing moments of happiness or at least happiness for him. So the guys were happy to take a step back and they Bishop run the show because she was good at it. Bishop knew how to handle the team and put everything in order. And so Torres was the only one it seems that had ever doubted her.

Torres admitted to the guys that he hadn't thought much of Bishop in the beginning because he thought he had more experience than her. However, he also confessed that Bishop had surprised him. She was good at the job and he said the guys didn't need to worry about all those months they were away. So Bishop took offense at that. She knew she had the experience to do the job and had even reminded Torres that she had spent several months in Iraq, but Bishop knew how to later get her revenge because she saw how freaked out Torres was at the cemetery.

The team had been called to the cemetery because as they were moving coffins, the construction crew had found one coffin with two bodies in it. So the team hadn't known what to think.

They had come across a poor old woman's grave and had found a dead sailor in there as well and yet there was no connection between the two and enclosing a coffin took a certain amount of knowledge. But Bishop decided to just look into their sailor and see where that got them. Therefore, they found out their victim was Lt Richard Coyne.

Coyne had disappeared a day before he was supposed to testify against known criminal, Leo Vairo. Leo Vairo had broken into a gym and had shot the owner when the other man wouldn't give him the two hundred dollars in the safe. Yet, Coyne had walked in on the crime and had seen the other man's face before he fled. So Coyne identified Leo as the culprit and that would have been Leo's third strike if he had been found guilty though not that surprisingly Leo ended up walking from the charges after the only witness couldn't be found.

So Leo was the team's biggest suspect. He had motive for getting rid of Coyne and even Coyne's widow believed Leo killed her husband. She said that Coyne had been nervous about testifying and that she told him not to go through with it because she didn't like it was doing to him, but Coyne refused to back down. He had seen Leo target Pete Wilkins (the owner of the gym) and he thought it was his duty to get justice for Pete. Though Pete eventually went on to begin dating Coyne's wife Donna after Coyne went missing and so Bishop thought that was suspicious.

Bishop and Torres both questioned the couple to find out when their relationship began and they both heard the other parties deny anything nefarious. They said they didn't start getting to know each other until after Coyne disappeared because they had been concerned about what happened to him. Coyne had befriended Pete following the shooting and two had had gone through rehab together. What with one suffering a gunshot wound and the other throwing out his shoulder when he tried to take on the thief. So the best friend and the widow had comforted each other when Coyne disappeared, but they still wanted justice for Coyne.

Donna and Pete were firm about Leo being behind what happened to Coyne. But they said that this time they wanted justice for Coyne because they didn't want Leo to walk away a second time. So Ducky and Jimmy worked on the autopsy and Jimmy later passed out because of something in the victim's liver. Coyne had had a cocktail of drugs in his liver that had crystalized into a gas that knocked out Jimmy however the team couldn't figure out how a man like Coyne would get his hands on some of those drugs so they worked on a theory involving someone drugging him. If someone did drug Coyne then that meant the culprit would have had to have gotten close to the victim. However, it was doubtful he would have let Leo get anywhere near him and the fact Leo never dealt those kinds of drugs showed had seemed to put him in the clear. So Bishop and Torres decided to talk to Leo again and see if he had anything to say about Pete because Pete as it turns out wasn't so clean. He had gotten arrested for coke possession and Leo confessed that Pete had started to deal high-end sports drugs which was why Leo had targeted Pete's safe to begin with.

Leo said Pete had much more than two hundred dollars in his safe. So the team looked into anyone Pete could have bribed and they and they found his former high school classmate that just so happened to be working at the cemetery. Yet, Pete later said Coyne's death had been an accident. He said that he had given Coyne painkillers to help with the shoulder and that Coyne had experienced a nasty reaction, but he didn't take Coyne to the hospital because he hadn't wanted anyone to find out about his side business and then later he didn't want Donna to learn what he did.

But Donna told Bishop that she was willing to testify against him because of what he did to her husband. So Pete will be going away for a long time everyone had been sympathetic about Donna. They knew she had gotten hurt the most out of everyone and so the team were inadvertently more worried about her than they were about their own. McGee had tried putting off his therapy session until Gibbs pushed him into doing and he found lighter by simply talking about his ordeal. Gibbs on the other hand was cracking jokes and smiling with everyone though his hands kept shaking and so he continued to see Grace on his own time because he knew he needed help.

Exit Strategy

Season 15
Episode Number: 333
Season Episode: 3

Originally aired: Tuesday October 10, 2017
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Director: Terrence O'Hara
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Guest Stars: Jack Conley (Detective Danny Sportelli), Alexander Davis (Landon Pottorf), Amy Letcher (Fiona), Carter MacIntyre (Benny Sitano)
Production Code: 15003
Summary: Torres' partner mysteriously vanishes during a stakeout with Metro P.D. The investigation uncovers new evidence from a decade-old murder case. Meanwhile, Ducky's friend, Cadence Darwin, presents him with a new opportunity during his guest lecture series.



Torres had been teamed up with Metro Detective and together they were supposed to catch a felon however his partner mysteriously disappeared right before the bust and so Torres had thought his partner was mad at him. He had snapped at Metro Detective Miles Higgins because the other man had talked all night and into the morning. But Torres had ultimately realized that something was wrong when Higgins never showed after back-up arrived. So Torres called in his own team and Metro Police sent in Detective Sergeant Danny Sportelli to find out what happened to Higgins.

Higgins had come across a tech nerd and he had bothered Torres with how much he liked to talk. However, the people that knew Higgins well had said he wouldn't have left his post voluntarily and so Sportelli had wanted to treat the case as an abduction. He said that someone must have taken Higgins after Torres had abandoned his partner. So Torres had had a few things to say about that yet McGee had found one of Higgins's tech toys that he said might help things. It had been a pen/recording device and it had recorded Higgins's last moments. He had been in the car when a woman showed up and he had left with her.

So Sportelli had wanted to know who the woman was because everyone started to suspect Higgins had abandoned his post for a booty call. Yet, Gibbs had seen that the woman touched something with her bare hands and so NCIS ran her prints. Her name was Michelle Lane and she was once a detective with Metro Police, but she was allegedly killed on the job ten years and so Sportelli had wanted how she came to be alive. She had apparently been working a case on a gunrunner when the boat she was on had blown up and two million dollars in bearer bonds had disappeared at the same she allegedly was murdered. And so Metro Police and the Director of NCIS talked.

Both believed that the case should continue to be a joint venture and so Sportelli was temporarily assigned to the team. But the team still didn't know where to start. There had been nothing on Higgins's phone and he hadn't gone back to his apartment. So they were at their wits' end when finally a report came in on Higgins being seen with Michelle driving in one direction and so they tapped into every camera hoping to spot the pair though it turns out they hadn't need to do that what with Higgins using his own wife. The wife signal had come from a garage and so the guys followed it right back to Higgins's body.

Higgins had been killed with a single gunshot to the neck however no one could tell if Michelle did the deed or if it had been Sitano. Benjamin Sitano had been the gunrunner Michelle was investigating and, while he had passed away, his son Benny Jr. had inherited the criminal empire. Though the thing about Sitano Jr. was that he wanted to make his business legitimate. He runs his own company now and has been trying to distance himself from his father's legacy. So Sitano didn't seem like the type to go after Michelle and so it had more looked like Michelle was going after him. She had used Higgins's laptop to find Sitano's location and so NCIS immediately went to warn him because Michelle posed as a risk.

Only Sitano had remembered Michelle. He told NCIS that he remembered her as someone that used to work for his father and that she had no reason to want to hurt him. However, Sitano clammed pretty quick when they showed him a photo of Higgins's body. He said that he shouldn't answer anymore questions without his lawyer and had shut down the interview right then. So Gibbs and Bishop could have pushed harder, but they didn't have too because Michelle later showed up in the building. She had gone to see Sitano and instead had run into NCIS who naturally had a lot of questions for her.

But Gibbs never filled in Metro. He hadn't told them about the laptop, talking to Sitano, or that they had caught Michelle. So NCIS used the time they had to grill Michelle. They wanted to know what happened to the bearer bonds and why she ran away yet her excuses had been lame at best. She said she thought the bomb had been for her at first and that she ran because she found out she was pregnant while on the job. And so when she was asked about Higgins, she finally started to come clean. She said that someone had found her in her new life and had demanded she turn over the two million dollar bearer bonds. Except she didn't have them!

Michelle revealed that she never had them and that's why she had gone to Higgins because she needed his help to protect her family. Yet, her son had called her during custody and she had been allowed to answer it only it hadn't been her son. Her son had gotten kidnapped and the kidnapper was demanding she hand over the money. So Michelle desperately asked NCIS to help and that time she had been truthful about why she ran away. She didn't runaway because of the money, she ran because Benny Sitano Jr was her son's father and people on the job would have counted back nine months. And so that made Sitano the best suspect for the kidnapping.

Sitano had been brought in and questioned about his son, but he already knew about Landon. He had hired a private detective to find Michelle when a body was never found and he had seen her with a baby and a new man in her life. Though Sitano hadn't been angry. He said that he had seen an opportunity for his son to have a normal life and not have to live under the Sitano name. So he let them go and he hasn't tried to make contact in the nine years since he's known. And so Sitano had tried to tell they had the wrong guy. NCIS just hadn't believed him and they had allowed Michelle to get arrested.

Michelle had broken several laws after she ran away and so Sportelli had said it was his duty to arrest her. But he had also been angry about being left out for so long. He told Gibbs that he should have been notified the second they found Michelle and Gibbs had fobbed him off. He hadn't wanted to share his investigation with an outsider and he hadn't wanted to turn over Michelle either. So he did what he had to do because he thought that was best and Bishop had continued looking into the disappearance of Michelle's son. She had found out that Sitano's body had recently received a pay increase and so she had gone to speak to him with Torres however Omar Nitro knew what they were up to.

He came right out and said he hadn't taken the kid. He had been former cop with Metro Police and he had only left his job because he had been railroaded out by crooked cops. Like Sportelli! So Bishop and Torres had reported what he said and they tried to find Sportelli yet Sportelli hadn't gone to booking with Michelle and the two had left hours ago. And so the team started to look into Sportelli and they found out why he had gone after Michelle. He had opened up a bar that had gone bankrupt and had lost his 401K while doing so. However, Sportelli had still been

paying for the rent on that bar and so the team figured out he would hide there with Michelle.

Michelle for her part had tried giving Sportelli a fake account number because he wouldn't believe her when he said that she didn't have the bonds. Yet, NCIS later showed up just in time to save her and her son. So the two got away while they handled Sportelli. Sportelli had been a crooked cop for years and he was finally taken down on tonight's episode, but surprisingly what he did had a happy ending. Michelle was found and she had ultimately introduced her son to Sitano because she knew now that Sitano would have Landon's best interest at heart.

Skeleton Crew

Season 15

Episode Number: 334

Season Episode: 4

Originally aired: Tuesday October 17, 2017
Writer: Jennifer Corbett
Director: Rocky Carroll
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Guest Stars: Trevor Donovan (Navy Commander Thomas Buckner), Alberto De Diego (Marine First Lieutenant Ethan Wynn), Andrew Puente (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Joe Smiddy), Gates McFadden (Constance Belmont), Andrew Asper (Mitch Greyson), Jill Czarnowski (NCIS Tech Ottsley), Kent Shocknek (Guy Ross), Alexis Stier (Farrah), Megan Stier (Sarah)
Production Code: 15004
Summary: NCIS Special Agent Jacqueline Sloane, a forensic psychologist, joins the team just as a horrific storm shuts down Washington, D.C. During the power outage, a sailor is kidnapped, and Torres and Bishop go out to sea to track evidence.



A stranger came knocking on Gibbs's door. She had gotten caught up in the nasty weather outside and had needed someone's phone to call for help. But Gibbs hadn't hesitated in helping Jaqueline Sloane. She was attractive and she sort of got Gibbs's vibe. So the two had talked for a while and they were enjoying each other's company when work called. There had been an incident at a masquerade party involving a Marine and so Gibbs had had to report to duty however he allowed Jaqueline to stay after he had

gone.

Gibbs had decided to trust this person out of the blue because he didn't think Jaqueline was the type to steal from him and therefore Gibbs had lower some of his guards. He was usually concerned about his privacy and hadn't shown any of his normal misgivings when he allowed Jaqueline to stay. However, Gibbs had put whatever he was feeling aside to focus on the case. That "incident" at the party had actually been attempted murder. Someone had stabbed Marine First Lt. Ethan Wynn at a Halloween party and he had something to say when he finally came to.

Wynn said that someone in a devil costume had stabbed him. Yet, that person had also taken his wife Helen. Helen was in the military as well and her mother had been notified about her disappearance, but Helen's mother thought Helen had taken because they were wealthy. The family was rich from a soap empire and so the mother thought someone would call demanding a ransom while NCIS didn't think that was going to be the case. They had looked into the party and someone with a devil costume had been following the couple.

The devil had been carrying a river knife and that had been the same kind of weapon used on Wynn. But at no time had there been a ransom call. She had just been taken and then nothing. No word on what happened to her or why someone had taken her. So NCIS investigated all possible angles. They looked into Helen's crew and had found nothing odd there though Helen had been calling the crew's financial liaison a lot leading up to their deployment and he said that Helen had needed to double check everything.

Though that still didn't tell NCIS why she had been taken and eventually the team had gotten word that her car had been found by the lake. So McGee and Gibbs went to go check it and unfortunately they had found Helen in the trunk. She had been tied up and beaten however the two agents at the scene had had to take over the case once it became a homicide. McGee and Gibbs had still been left on land while their partners Torres and Bishop hadn't been able to leave Helen's ship. The ship was already operating on a skeleton crew because of the bad weather and so things became even dire when that case the bad weather turned into a Category 3 hurricane.

Hurricane Molly had gotten so bad that the Director had cleared the building of most of NCIS personnel and so they too were operating with a skeleton crew. However, Director Vance had brought in a forensic psychologist that could stick around to help the team. Her name was Special Agent Jack Sloane and she had apparently pulled a certain stunt with Gibbs in order to find out what kind of man he was. So Gibbs didn't care for how she went about things and the two found themselves constantly butting heads.

Sloane had looked at their case and Gibbs often found her in the way. But Sloane managed to see things that others didn't. She saw for instance that Helen's captor had wrapped Helen's hands in cloth before tying them up in the rope. So someone had tried to make her abduction as comfortable as possible and so Sloane suspected they hadn't meant to kill her. The person in the devil costume had stabbed Helen's husband and had bashed her over the head with a rock. And so Sloane suspected that Helen's death could be a last resort because she either recognized her captor or had managed to upset that person.

Sloane said that the devil was most likely someone in love with Helen and so Gibbs decided to take a closer look at the husband. Wynn had checked himself out of the hospital early on the night Helen was murdered and he had also forgotten to mention his wife had filed for divorce. Yet, Wynn said that they had been working through that and that he left the hospital early to go look for Helen. So things weren't looking good for Wynn though Torres and Bishop had found their own suspect. They had suspected Helen's XO of having an affair with Helen.

Helen had been intending to divorce her husband and so it would make sense if she found comfort in someone else. Though Commander Thomas Buckner said it hadn't been him. He had been there for Helen because he had gone through a divorce after ten years of marriage and so he had counseled Helen not to make the same mistake he did. So Torres had been willing to hear Bucker out, but Bishop hadn't wanted to do the same. She had known Bucker from high school and he used to bully her so badly that she had to get her brothers involved.

Bishop told Torres that her brothers had broken two of his fingers and that he finally stopped teasing her after that. But Buckner knew he was a jerk in high school and he had apologized to Bishop for his behavior however he didn't kill Helen. He said she had been a friend and he had truly been broken up when they told him that she died. So Bishop had to lay off of him for a while and in the meantime, Abby found out who really was behind Helen's death. Helen's car keys had been left in her car and there hadn't been any other keys on them.

Meaning someone had had to take off their gloves to remove the other keys and so Abby ran the fingerprints. However, the fingerprint matched someone on board the ship. His name Petty Officer Joe Smiddy and both Bishop and Torres found him stealing the money from the ship's safe. So that's why he had become involved in what happened to Helen yet he hadn't killed her and hadn't expected she would be murdered. He said he and his friend had planned on stealing Helen's keys to the safe and then getting out of town with the profits only they never agreed on killing her. And so Joe gave up his partner.

His partner was Mitch Grayson and he was the financial liaison that claimed he was only talking to Helen because of deployment when instead the two had been having an affair, but Helen had ended things to go back to her husband and so that's when Mitch decided to kill her.

Fake It 'Til You Make It

Season 15

Episode Number: 335

Season Episode: 5

Originally aired: Tuesday October 24, 2017
Writer: David J. North
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Guest Stars: Samaire Armstrong (Melissa Goodman), Ashley Jones (Nancy Douglas), John Laughlin (Navy Captain Alan Redding), Ted Shackelford (Stewart), Yolanda Snowball (Meeting Secretary), Ryan Radis (Andrew Lewis), Paloma Rabinov (Sober Sally)
Production Code: 15006
Summary: After Reeves sees his friend get kidnapped, the NCIS team discovers the primary suspect disappeared two days ago with confidential military information. Also, a photo from McGee's teenage years becomes a popular meme.



Special Agent Reeves was going to AA. He's been part of the group for a while and still hasn't shared anything personal with the group because he wasn't entirely comfortable with them yet. But Reeves was slowly making friends within the group. He had met Melissa and the two had hit it off from the start, however, Reeves had noticed that Melissa was in a toxic relationship and so he had been happy for her when she recently revealed that she had broken up with this ex. She said he had gotten mixed up in something that she didn't approve and had had to break up with him. So Melissa didn't go

into too much detail except the bruises on her arm didn't need an explanation.

Her ex-hadn't taken it well when she broke up with him. But Reeves had offered to help her and she said she could handle her ex-boyfriend on her own. She hadn't wanted Reeves to go out and rough him for her. So the two did their best to put what happened behind them and they were leaving AA together when the unthinkable happened. A car sped up next to Melissa and she had been grabbed before Reeves couldn't even do anything about it, but Reeves hadn't given up on his friend. He had filed a report with Metro Police and had given them the make and color of the car. And they had basically told him that there was nothing they could do.

But Reeves didn't want to leave things there. He went into work and he had opened an official case into Melissa's disappearance. So Reeves had had to ask for help from the others and unfortunately, he hadn't had enough information go off on. He knew her name was Melissa, that she had a dog growing up that she loved, and that she was part of a bicycle club though the club was

what helped Abby. Abby had used facial recognition to find out which bicycle group Melissa had joined and so she found out her name was Melissa Goodman. Melissa has had the cops called on her and her boyfriend so many times that his name was still in the system.

Melissa's violent ex-was identified as Eddie Holdran. But Holdran hadn't been heard from in a while and he had taken something before he seemingly disappeared. He had stolen an ONI laptop and it carried confidential military information on it. So Reeves assumed that was Holdran's risky plan that Melissa hadn't wanted any part of and he worried she had been taken because she knew too much yet Reeves had later been given an idea from Gibbs. Gibbs had figured out Reeves and Melissa were in AA together and so he asked Reeves who else Melissa would confide in. And that would be her sponsor, Nancy D.

Nancy knew the good and bad about Melissa. But she had a lot to say about Holdran. He was abusive and manipulative. So Nancy had tried to get Melissa to leave him and she just never would. Melissa would cover up her bruises and recently she had hidden out at his cabin because she had gotten beaten up so bad that she hadn't wanted anyone to see. And so Reeves tracked down that cabin, however, Melissa hadn't already freed herself by then. She had noticed her ex was slurring and stumbling around like he was drunk and she figured he was gearing himself up to kill her. And he had wrestled with him over the gun the second she had gotten the chance.

But the laptop hadn't been at the cabin and Holdran had been killed in his struggle for the gun with Melissa. So didn't look good for NCIS because DOD still wanted answers. The information on that laptop detailed a new drone that Holdran and his team had built and therefore it was imperative that the team find the laptop. And their best bet was Melissa! Melissa had been so high strung after she killed Holdran that Special Agent Jack Sloane believed she hadn't fully processed the fact that she was safe now yet Jack knew how to help Melissa. She took the other woman down to the morgue and Melissa see for herself that the man she hated as well as loved was dead now.

So that allowed Melissa to think things over. She told Jack about the times when Holdran would follow her around or join her bike club so to make sure she wasn't seeing anyone else. But a memory that had stuck out for Melissa had been the time she went down to their storage locker and had found the locks changed. She thought Holdran did that to keep her from going out with her friends and she hadn't suspected anything else about it while Jack did. Jack suspected Holdran could have hidden the laptop there and change the locks to keep Melissa from ever finding out what he was doing. And so NCIS checked the storage locker.

They had found mostly dust and we're going to give up until Reeves noticed the Christmas box was on top of the Easter box which didn't make sense. He said if anything that it would be the Easter box on top because that was the last one used. But looking into the Christmas box, they eventually found the laptop and also learned that Holdran had sold the information already. The maps and everything related to the drone hadn't been on the laptop. So the team looked into Holdran's movements to find out who he had been speaking to. And they found footage of Holdran meeting up with Melissa's sponsor.

Nancy had claimed she never met Holdran and so NCIS confronted her with footage of the two getting cozy. But Nancy hadn't known that was Holdran. He told her his name was Austin and they had met on an online dating site. So the team kept digging into Holdran and Jack found certain holes in Melissa's story. Melissa had said that Holdran was violent, but he had no prior history of that with any of his past relationships and Jack's profile of him has him as a sweet and loving man. And so she did another profile of Melissa and she found out Melissa suffered from a personality disorder that meant she was cunning and vindictive.

Melissa had only recently joined AA and so the team investigated her despite Reeves telling them they were off base. But their investigation led them right back to Melissa. Melissa hadn't been abused and she was never an alcoholic. She had found out her boyfriend was cheating on her with Nancy and had joined the group to get close to Nancy. So the whole kidnapping and theft thing hadn't been on Holdran. It had been on Melissa and NCIS had caught her trying to sell the information on the black market.

So Reeves had been disappointed because he truly thought Melissa was a friend, but he still attended meetings and he decided it was time to finally up to others.

Trapped

Season 15
Episode Number: 336
Season Episode: 6

Originally aired: Tuesday October 31, 2017
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Guest Stars: Rodney To (Doctor Steven Cho), Eileen Galindo (Evelyn Gomez), James Leo Ryan (Richard Oscar Shea / Ricochet), Ray Stoney (Ben Golden), Seth Coltan (Deputy Allen Smedley), Granville Ames (Hank), Kaley Ronayne (Rhonda Collins), Mark Berry (Joe), Juan Alfonso (Ramon Moncada), S. Zylan Brooks (Catherine Scott)
Production Code: 15005
Summary: After a petty officer is found murdered, McGee spends hours on the victim's ham radio trying to locate a key witness. Also, Palmer asks co-workers to donate to a charity that builds playgrounds for kids of all abilities.



Petty Officer Jake Miller was found dead at a golf course. He worked there as a groundskeeper and mostly kept to himself, however, the evidence at the scene indicated that his death wasn't an accident and that someone purposely tried to hide him underneath the groundskeeper's truck. But that wasn't everything! There had also been a large blood stain on Miller's shirt and it hadn't been his. So there was a chance the blood was either from a second victim or better yet their culprit. And so NCIS had to find

out who the money belonged to as well as why their victim had been targeted.

Palmer later found evidence that Miller's neck had been snapped and not by the machine or by the blooded rake they had found nearby. But Miller had a routine and had made sure he was always on the course by four in the morning. So someone must have studied him and thought it was best to get to Miller before even the dew sweepers. The "dew sweepers" were the early morning golfers and they had been the ones to find Miller yet the body had been cold by then and Palmer estimated Miller's time of death to be between four and seven that morning.

But other than his death, Miller had checked out on paper. He lived alone and had a bunch of dogs, but luckily his dogwalker had agreed to later take them while every. So things didn't start sticking out until NCIS dug a little deeper. They found out he had been frequent calls to a landscaping company and that the owner of said company hadn't wanted to answer any questions. She had first denied knowing about the calls and had then jumped on the reasoning that it could have been about work, but only after NCIS mentioned it first.

The owner said she was under a lot of stress and she looked it. She was taking several calls from her employees and she also seemed to be doing it all on her own. But Bishop and Reeves had put a stop to their questioning because they got a call about the suspect's car. The car had been seen living the course at the right time and it had been abandoned at a cheap strip mall through the local police had left it not long after they found it because of a stolen shopping. So the car had been gone by time NCIS arrived at the strip mall.

The sheriff had later told them that it had been there at least twenty minutes. But both Bishop and Reeves had been irritated while Gibbs had been the only one that saw what he could mean. He had looked around at the strip mall and had noticed that it didn't have any security cameras however it did have a veterinarian's office and so Gibbs knew where a bleeding man might go for help. Gibbs went to the vet's office and had barely flashed his badge when Dr. Cho started to freak out. The vet had wanted them out of his office as fast as possible and hadn't wanted them to go digging through the trash. So Bishop kept looking because she knew it held something if not what.

So it turns out that she had found bloody rags in the trash and that it hadn't been Dr. Cho's first time with illegally treating a human patient. He had gotten his license suspended once before because the board had found out he took cash for "helping" me out. But Dr. Cho said that he had given up on doing that until the guy they were looking for had threatened his life. He said that he was going to kill him and so Dr. Cho gave him some stitches, but he wasn't very good at providing a sketch and had otherwise been of no value.

The suspect had worn gloves when he visited Dr. Cho and that told Jack that whatever happened at that golf course hadn't been an accident. She said they were looking for someone for that planned his every step and that he had gone there that day fully intending to kill Miller. But Jack still didn't know why and so she looked into Miller. Miller had been somewhat invisible throughout his life and the only place he felt comfortable was on the radio. He had owned several ham radios and had made his friends that way yet it looked like he was personally close to "Ricochet".

"Ricochet" hadn't wanted to give his real name to McGee and had refused to answer any of McGee's calls. But Jack said that people picked their names on the radio by playing off their actual names. So McGee ran "Ricochet" through the system and ended finding Richard. Richard was a bit of a nut and probably had way too many surveillance cameras though what he also had was a dog Benji that used to jump on Miller as much as he formerly jumped on McGee when they met earlier because both Richard and Miller shared the same dog walker.

But the dog hadn't jumped on McGee when the two met up again and that bugged him. He asked Richard what type of dog Benji and Richard said that he adopted Benji after he retired from TSA. So McGee borrowed the dog and he took him to the golf course because he figured out why cocaine had been found on Miller everywhere except his system. Miller hadn't been doing drugs and he hadn't been selling it. He was just accidentally working in it and so that's when he realized Southeast Sand Turf wasn't what it appeared.

They had given him the wrong bag of sand and had killed him before he could report it. But checking the company's records against sketch, they found Ramon Moncada right before he left the country. He had been trying to flee to Mexico and so they got to give them a few details, but his boss at the company had provided with the rest. They had been smuggling cocaine across the border and selling it for a cartel down there. So they would have still been in business if Miller hadn't gotten the wrong bag of sand.

Burden of Proof

Season 15
Episode Number: 337
Season Episode: 7

Originally aired: Tuesday November 7, 2017
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Guest Stars: Joe Spano (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell), Fran Bennett (Mary Elaine Smith), Beau Billingslea (Denny Rydell), Graham Hamilton (Gabriel Hicks), Todd Jeffries (Thomas Gardiner), Brian Maierhofer (Lt. Edward O'Connell), Allen Maldonado (Raymond Smith), Penny Peyser (Judge Susan Delphy), Hilary Ward (Jessica Shaeffer)
Production Code: 15007
Summary: A convicted felon claims NCIS framed him for murder a decade ago, so Gibbs investigates and asks Ducky to conduct a new autopsy. Meanwhile, Senior FBI agent Fornell joins the probe, since he was the lead investigator in the original joint FBI and NCIS case.



A prisoner named Gabriel tells a public defender that he was framed by NCIS. Meanwhile, Torres is bragging to the gang that all of his shirts are too small in the arms. Yup, all that time in the gym is paying off.

Gibbs arrives at the office. He is pulled in by Vance. They have a visitor, a public defender, Jessica, who wants them to look at Lieutenant O'Connell's body. There is something wrong with his autopsy. Donald takes a look. The original M.E. missed the trauma on the head. It

was caused by someone that is a lefty who hit the man from behind. Jessica is happy. Her client Gabriel is a righty. He is innocent.

The team goes over the case files. They are extremely disorganized. McGee points out that Gabriel lied about his alibi. The case also lost a major witness. Torres wants to return to the scene of the crime to take a look around.

McGee and Torres take a look around the wooded area. They spot something hanging out from the bark of the tree. It's the Lieutenant's license.

Abby looks over the evidence with Bishop, they feel like this was the work of a serial killer. The prosecutor on the case meets with Gibbs. He feels like Gabriel is the killer. Gibbs wants to look into. Vance agrees. He prosecutor gets mad. A joint investigation gets underway.

McGee, Abby, Torres, and Bishop look over the evidence. Prior to the meeting, Abby was too giddy and went through everything. She already has a game plan on some of the items that were taken in.

Sloane and Gibbs sit down with Gabriel and Jessica. Gabriel explains that he thinks he was framed. If he wasn't, the only answer he has is that this was a consequence.

Torres goes to a store where he has some questions about the bags they used and someone who brought in his fruit. He asks the owner, who tells him he has a sharp memory. And yes, he can remember 11 years ago. An employee of his named Ray has an aunt that brought in the fruit. Ray is still working for him after all this time. He calls her to the front. Torres shows her his ID. The man instantly runs for it. Torres chases him to the back of the building. The two fight. Torres takes him down and out with a sleeper hold. He cuffs him.

Torres puts Ray in the interrogation room. Gibbs watches from outside. Vance comes to talk to him. Gibbs tells him that Torres is in with Ray, the nephew of the missing witness from the case. He doesn't know much about her. She took off a while ago, but annuity checks come to his house for her and he cashes them.

Abby knows what her name is. It's Mary Elaine Smith. Meanwhile, Gabriel takes the stand on court. The prosecutor accuses Gabriel of lying about staying in a nearby cabin to write.

Gibbs meets with a very old Elaine. He tells her that her nephew has been cashing her checks. She tells him she left because she couldn't take care of him. She recalls the day she saw the Lieutenant. She also tells Gibbs that she told her story to the FBI 11 years ago. Gibbs is angry.

Gibbs approaches Tobias. He asks him why he covered up talking to Elaine all that time ago. Tobias tells him that he knows she was lying and he wasn't about to let Gabriel, a serial killer walk. Gibbs accuses him of manipulating the case to help him land a promotion. He denies it.

Gibbs comes back to the office. He is mad that the team hasn't made any connections. He heads into Sloane's office and sparks a fight. She tells him to calm down. She wants him to talk and tell her what is wrong so she can help. Gibbs admits that he is in a predicament. He has to take the stand and if he does he has to tell the truth and ruin a man's life. Sloane really doesn't have a good answer or advice so she changes the conversation.

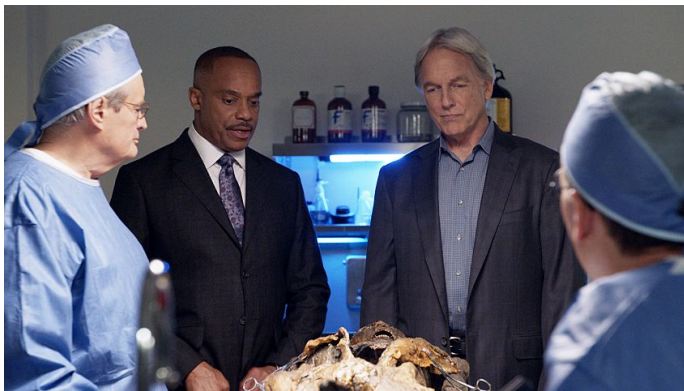
Gibbs takes the stand. Jessica questions him about the witness Elaine. She asks him who Elaine talked to 11 years ago. Gibbs must confess. The court room goes crazy with whispers. Outside of the court room, Tobias admits that he has some relief after Gibbs revealed what he had done.

Gabriel thanks Gibbs for helping him. He slips up about a small detail from his childhood he told them earlier. The slip makes Gibbs question the man's integrity. He just got a liar off. That night, Gibbs and Sloane follow Gabriel to the baseball cages. That watch him hit balls — he is a switch hitter!

Voices

Season 15
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Season Episode: 8

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Guest Stars: Michael Masini (Alex McKenzie III), Rian Bishop (Orderly), Tom Degan (Lonnie Davis), Gino Montesinos (Viggo Siggurdson), Laura Regan (Amber Davis), Muse Watson (Mike Franks)
Production Code: 15008
Summary: An NCIS person of interest in a bribery and fraud case is found murdered after a runner is led to his body by a strange voice. Also, McGee and Delilah disagree on whether to find out the baby's sex or keep it a surprise.



A female jogger was out on her morning run when she heard a voice. The voice sounded as if someone was in distress and so the jogger went to go see if someone had been hurt out in the woods. But the voice had been calling out "help me" couldn't have come from a living person because it led Amber to a body that had been dumped out there. So Amber tried telling people what happened and they just refused to believe her. They couldn't make a connection between a dead body and a mysterious voice and Gibbs for one

hadn't wanted to try.

NCIS had been handed this case after it was revealed the victim was Victor King. King had been a businessman and he had been a supplier for the Navy, however, he had been up to some shady dealings on the side and had been under investigation when he disappeared several years ago. But while NCIS had Amber to thank for finding the body, Gibbs didn't put a lot into believing a voice led her to King. So he asked his people to investigate Amber and had her checked out by Jack to see if she needed a psych eval.

But Jack had talked to Amber for a while and she had noticed a few things. Like how the fights began to flicker out when Amber started to hear the voice again and that Amber knew things that she shouldn't know. She had claimed after all that she had never met Victor King and so she shouldn't have known that he got into a fight with someone right before he died or that the person he supposedly feels had in fact been a real person. So Jack took Amber back to the squad room and the team allowed Amber to assist them.

They knew Amber couldn't have been the killer because she had been overseas at the time of death and hadn't been connected to the victim in any way whatsoever. But Amber "knew" things

and the man she had identified as fighting with King had been Thomas Westbay. Westbay had died two days before King had gone missing and his death had been written off as a car accident. So Amber had been surprised by that because she sensed the accident hadn't been an accident and so that led the team into investigating it.

They went back to the car and checked it out. But Abby found things didn't line up with Westbay dying in an accident because she said that Westbay had left an imprint of his shoe on the brakes and that it meant he had tried to stop the car. So what Abby couldn't understand was why didn't it work? She had checked out the brakes and they had appeared in working order though there hadn't been any skid marks out on the street that day that showed he tried to stop. And so Abby kept investigating this conundrum when she inadvertently found something.

Abby had found that someone had hacked the car. The brakes were meant to fail on Westbay and then snap back together by the time the police showed up, but that wasn't all of it. Abby had also looked into the very expensive GPS watch that had been King when he died and that too had been hacked. So someone had gone out of their way to kill both men and the one thing they had common had been them both being dirty. The steel magnate had paid people to look the other way and the inspector was probably one of those people because he had been proved to be dirty.

Westbay had taken his new car to the mechanic every three weeks and the mechanic had verified their theories about Westbay. But Abby had found one other thing that had been troubling. She had found a fingerprint on King's watch and it had come back as belonging to Amber. But proving Amber to be the men's killer had been tricky. Everyone had thought she was a wonderful actress that had been playing a game with them and the tricky part had been Amber herself because Amber appeared to be honestly confused when confronted.

Amber said she would never kill someone and that she didn't even know the men personally. But the team had used facial recognition that proved Amber had snuck back into the country on a fake passport and so she had been in the country to kill both men. So they thought Amber would finally confess and the truth was that she didn't remember those things. She didn't remember sneaking back into the country and had therefore asked for help from Gibbs because she was starting to question her own sanity by that point.

Amber didn't recall anything they pointed out and the team couldn't find a motive. But they found her ex-husband and he told her about their daughter. Their daughter hadn't died like Amber said. She had fallen through the floor when their building had collapsed in on itself and it turns out that both King and Westbay had been responsible. The crappy steal that one of them made and the other had signed off on as safe had killed Amber's daughter. So she killed them out of revenge and she didn't remember until they forced her to deal with her pain.

Amber had believed her daughter died in her sleep peacefully and so finding out what had really happened to her daughter had brought all those memories back. But once she knew, she remembered that there was a third person responsible for what happened to her daughter. So she snuck away from the orderlies that were taking her to the mental hospital and she found the man that King had bribed to keep him out of prison. The guy had worked with NCIS and the investigators looking into King yet he would tell King beforehand about all the possible leads.

But not long after Amber got away from her escort, NCIS was alerted and so they followed her to a house where she was holding someone at gunpoint. So the guys had rushed in believing Amber to threaten and she wasn't. At not anymore! She had simply gotten the last guy on video confessing to bribes and so now it was over. Amber had just wanted justice for her daughter and she has gotten it in the end by putting the last man away in prison. So Amber knew she was going to be facing charges for everything she did, however, the team believed her mental disorder and the fact she had been in a fugue state when she killed her two victims had meant Amber had a good chance in court.

So the case had been closed with satisfying and Gibbs denied to everyone that he hadn't wanted Amber to be a psychic, but deep down, he had wanted to believe. But it didn't work out and so they had all to figure out things on their own. Like when McGee found out he was expecting twins with his wife — a boy and a girl — through an ultrasound rather than asking Amber!

Ready or Not

Season 15
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Season Episode: 9

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Guest Stars: Flor de Maria Chahua (Nurse), Andy Cohen (Dr. Warren Cole), Christine Horn (Doctor Felicia Serena), Brian Kimmet (Hotel Security Official George Barbado), Dan Lauria (Emergency Room Guard Morgan Cade), Donald Li (Clerk), Rob Locke (Viktor Lopuchin), Henri Lubatti (Andre Yorka)
Production Code: 15009
Summary: The team's Thanksgiving plans are put on hold while they track an elusive international arms dealer in D.C. who recently murdered an MI6 officer who was Sloane's close friend. Also, Abby races Delilah to the hospital when her labor starts three weeks early.



McGee and Delilah still hadn't come up with names when she suddenly went into labor a good three weeks early.

But Gibbs understood the situation. He had been a father himself and therefore given McGee leave to go to his wife while the rest of them stayed behind to investigate the murder of MI5 Agent Nigel Ford. Ford had been something of a legend back in the UK and Reeves had even been a fan of his, however, the last time anyone had heard from Ford he had been working a case involving a known arms

dealer. So Jack Sloane was able to confirm that Ford had still been working that particular case and had in fact followed the arms dealer to the states because Andre Yorka had entered the country on a fake visa. And so Sloane was the team's best resource in finding Yorka.

Sloane had worked the Yorka case with Ford as part of a joint task force and she had continued to follow it afterward thanks to the relationship she developed with Ford. The two had been friends for the most part though they occasionally became something more and so it was hard for Sloane to distance herself with his case. But while Sloane was heartbroken, the others were striving to figure out where Yorka might be heading next and McGee turned out to have the answer. The concerned father and husband had rushed to the hospital to be with Delilah. And had been waiting for his wife when he noticed Yorka in the hospital waiting room.

Yorka had gotten injured in the confrontation with Ford and had gone to the hospital hoping to patch up the bullet wound in his leg. But McGee had recognized immediately because he was still getting updates on the case and had gotten a photo of Yorka on his phone moments before

seeing the man in person. So McGee notified the armed guard at the hospital about the situation and he also called Gibbs to tell him that he found Yorka, but the guard had gotten too carried away and had spooked Yorka. Yorka had noticed the man was paying too much attention to him and was about to leave when the guard tried to stop him.

So Yorka shot the guard and he had taken a woman hostage as things began to escalate at the hospital. But McGee had already his team about Yorka and so they had been halfway there when they have gotten the call about the hostage situation at the hospital. Therefore, both Gibbs and McGee decided to enter the hospital and see if Yorka would be willing to exchange the hostages with two federal agents yet he had barely gotten the chance to think about the offer when the still living guard had accidentally let slip that McGee should be the one to get released because he had two babies waiting for him upstairs.

Yorka hadn't known that McGee had come to the hospital for his own reasons and therefore he didn't realize how valuable McGee was as a hostage until the guard opened his mouth. But everything changed after Yorka learned the truth. He realized he could threaten McGee's life and that the other agents would get him whatever he wanted. Like a doctor to check out his leg! So NCIS tried to get that doctor and nothing they did or said could get them one because no one wanted to put a doctor in such a precarious situation. And so Sloane came up with a plan that would allow them to overpower Yorka.

Sloane decided to go in dressed as a doctor and the plan was to drug Yorka into submission. But Yorka had been too smart for that. He hadn't wanted any drugs because he knew that would impair his senses and so he told Sloane to merely work on him without drugs, but Gibbs had then thought he could overtake Yorka if the other man was in pain and had been close to making his move when Yorka's partner pulled a gun on him. So York had thought everything. He had come to the hospital with someone to watch his back and had even pretended to take her hostage when he noticed the guard wasn't the only one armed.

But Torres and Reeves had found out about the partner on their own. They had rewatched the footage of Yorka and Ford shooting each other and so they noticed Yorka got away in a car that he wasn't driving it however that hadn't been the only thing they found. They also got to Yorka's hotel room and had found components for a bomb as well as a train schedule. And so they had keep looking until they came across a laptop that carried all the detail for a catering company that was working in the same hotel and was about to cater a prestigious event with visiting nations. Including Romania.

Romania had recently frozen Yorka's assets and Sloane had profiled him as being a petty / vengeful man. So the men raced downstairs and had found the catering cart with the bomb on it, but were quickly able to deal with it on their own and so they sent a message back to Gibbs saying the bomb was out of play which allowed him to take risks. Gibbs took on the partner and Sloane dealt with the Yorka. But while those two will be facing long sentences in prison, McGee got to return to his wife before the twins were born and therefore hadn't missed a thing when both John and Morgan were born.

Double Down

Season 15

Episode Number: 340

Season Episode: 10

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Guest Stars: Jonathan Kite (Chet Goodman), Michael Masini (Alex McKenzie III), Blake Webb (Chandler Phillips), Franco Barberis (Gunnery Sergeant Matt Lecroix), Amanda Payton (Misty Boxlarter), Joey Stromberg (Marine Corporal Gig Girard), Vivienne Taylor (Lily Dent)
Production Code: 15010
Summary: As Torres and Sloane run protection detail for U.S. Senator John Phillips in Afghanistan for the holidays, they must urgently return to the states after hearing the senator's son is in the ICU. Also, Gibbs and the team investigate the altercation that caused the life threatening injuries to the senator's son.



Unfortunately, Gibbs had had to break some bad news to an old friend. He had been stuck stateside when Senator Phillips's son Chandler got into a nasty accident and so he thought he should be the one to break the news to the Senator. The Senator had been Gibbs have known each other for years and so Gibbs had initially wanted to go with the Senator to Afghanistan as part of his security detail. But for some reason, the Director had pulled off of security to make room for Sloane because she is somewhat fa-

miliar with the area. So it became her job to get the Senator back home before his son's condition grew worse.

Chandler had been his only child and the two had been estranged for years because Chandler had gotten arrested for drug possession around the same time the Senator introduced a new drug bill. But the Senator hadn't cared about what happened between them when he heard his son was injured because he just wanted to be there for him. So Sloane said she would get him home and she had the added benefit of having Torres there with her as a backup. He too had gotten put on security detail and he hadn't shied away taking risks to get the Senator stateside, however, Torres and Sloane had made the mistake of believing they could get the Senator to the nearby civilian airport.

The airport was miles away and miles away. But the two agents chose to make the drive despite what they could run into out in the desert and besides the Senator, they only had a comedian and one Marine for help when they drove into a trap. They drove on top of a live IED

and had only made it out in time to save themselves if not much else. They lost their vehicle as well as all means to make contact the military base though they needed a place they could hide until it was safe and so they went up into the mountains that even the comedian knew was where the Taliban were hidden. So the plan to get the Senator to the airport had gone awry just as NCIS found out a few things about Chandler.

Chandler's accident hadn't been an accident. He had gotten hit in the back of his head and someone had tried to arrange it to make it look like he had an accident. But NCIS managed to get the case from Metro and they went on to find several others that seemed important. Like Chandler being part of an illegal casino acting out of an apartment and that said casino had been fixing the games. So he and his partner had taken money from their "clients" by weighing down the dice and the team figured he could have been killed because someone found out. And so they investigated that angle by talking to his partner.

But the partner didn't think anyone would want Chandler dead and had been more than prepared to move on to the casino without Chandler. So the team had thought that pretty cold of him and they couldn't understand why Seth would write off his partner/friend when the other man hadn't even died yet. It just hadn't made sense until they also learned that Chandler had made a decision to turn his life around. He enlisted! He joined the Marines and had told the enlisting officers that he wanted to become a better person. And so the team suspected his partner wanted Chandler dead because he was getting out except Seth claimed he didn't know anything about Chandler leaving.

Seth said Chandler would never have done something like enlist because he hadn't wanted to be like his father. But they showed Seth the paperwork and that more than proved Chandler was willing to get out of the business. So Seth admitted that they would never have tried to kill Chandler for leaving and using the word "they" had told the team that there was a third partner out there that he had been hiding. It turns out this third partner was Seth's girlfriend Misty and she could prove that they were innocent. She and Seth had set up their gambling table and had had NCIS test it out however the game hadn't been fixed.

Neither Seth nor Misty knew how to fix the game. That had been Chandler that fixed the games and so the two would never kill the Golden Goose because the scam would officially end the moment Chandler either walked away or died. But without those two as suspects, the only other people the team could think of was someone that Misty described. She described a thin, tall man with a mustache and Bishop had remembered seeing someone that matched that description outside of the apartment. So she checked the description against security detail for the casinos in the area and found the guy thought he had already contacted them.

It turns out he had caught Chandler and he had confronted him. But Chandler agreed to turn his life around if charges weren't pressed and the next day he joined the Marines. So all the other guy wanted was the money Chandler had taken from the casino because he thought Chandler showed promise and had even considered hiring him to help detect other cheats at the casino he worked in. And so the only two people that weren't happy with losing thirty grand each had been Chandler's partners. He had made back their share as well and so either Seth or Misty tried to kill him for ending things.

Seth said it was Misty and Misty said it had been Seth. But Misty could prove her innocence because she had tapped herself practicing the slide of hand and therefore caught Seth's confession to her on tape. So Seth was arrested for trying to kill Chandler and Chandler eventually regained consciousness just in time to enjoy the holidays with his dad. The Senator had a near miss in Afghanistan, but he survived it and so did the rest of his team.

High Tide

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Season Episode: 11

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Director: Tony Wharmby
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Guest Stars: Michael Masini (Alex McKenzie III), Jonathan Kite (Chet Goodman), Charlene Amoia (Denise Mancuso), Kevin Ashworth (Richard Lane), Adam Burnette (Steven Denridge)
Production Code: 15012
Summary: Torres and Bishop go undercover as a criminal couple available for hire, during an NCIS sting operation tracking illegal drug-running out of the Norfolk civilian marina.



Bishop went in undercover as a prostitute to get some much-needed information on NCIS's latest case. The team was investigating this drug dealer that managed to give everyone the slip and corner part of the market for himself. However, Jared Turner wasn't the director's chief concern. Director Vance has been getting a lot of flak from his own bosses about the massive amounts of fentanyl that was being brought in and so he hadn't wanted to get information on Turner or Turner's partners. He merely wanted to

bring Turner in! Vance asked the team why Bishop and her "jealous" boyfriend Torres were doing reconnaissance when they could just easily arrest Turner on the information they did have.

But Gibbs thought differently. Gibbs figured they could find out how Turner was able to bring the drugs in and stop once not just the trafficker, but also what's being trafficked. So Gibbs and McGee waited for Bishop to clone Turner's phone and then used that to gain as much as they could. They found out that Turner was in frequent talks with one man and that the man had warned Turner about a possible murder attempt which was something NCIS couldn't sit back and watch happen. They had to act once they received the information and so both Torres and Bishop were heading back to Turner's boat when it blew up.

The two had luckily been far enough away that they weren't injured in the blast. Though Torres decided to fall back on his own protocol whenever an op goes sideways and so he dragged Bishop into hiding until he was sure they were safe and again got lucky when Gibbs didn't get offended. Gibbs and the others had checked out the blast site and had wondered what happened to their two agents when Bishop reached out. She texted them from her burner saying that they were both okay and so Gibbs waited for the two to contact him more directly. And didn't have to wait for long before they returned to the land of the living.

Torres had later explained that he was just taking precaution and that he did what he had to do to protect the op however Bishop both thought and said that he had been a little overzealous. She figured the op ended the moment Turner was murdered and so she was fine with following Vance's directive to let things go. He wanted the two off the case because they were both compromised following the blast and he wanted the others to follow up on Turner's partner. The partner's name was Mitchell Young and he seemingly ran an inconspicuous store that hadn't appeared to be a front for drugs. Though of course, it was and that's where Torres eventually found Young.

Young had been busy making a sale when Torres walked in and told Young that he knew about his side business. He said that he and his girl ran a long con in which they pretend she's a prostitute in order to get close enough to their marks to clone their phones. But according to Torres, he decided not to blackmail Young because he figured a guy like Young could offer him a job. Torres had wanted to help run drugs and had convinced Young to hire him by handing over information on Turner's hone. So Young agreed to check out Torres's alias and had even agreed to hire him when Torres's cover held up under scrutiny. And so Torres decided to further test his luck.

Torres had gone behind both Gibbs and Vance's back when he approached Young and to make things worse he had also asked for a job for his "girlfriend". Yet, Torres never asked Bishop about going back in or ran it by her before he ran his mouth with Young. So Bishop had hated that. She was Torres's partner and he tended to treat her as a subordinate what with always giving her orders rather than ideas except she followed his lead on this one because there was nothing else she could do. Her bosses had talked about it and they agreed to follow Torres's play even if Torres wasn't their favorite person for doing what he did.

It hadn't mattered at that point. What mattered was working the connection Torres built with Young and so both agents used their aliases to get close to the mark. They wanted to find out how Young was bringing in the drugs and Torres had also built up a rapport with Donnie. Donnie allegedly worked for Young and Young was the boss. However, Young found out who killed Turner and had wanted Bishop to kill her to prove herself, but Torres had found a way to get her out of it. He and Bishop convinced Young to let Bishop take the young woman offsite and kill elsewhere. So Bishop took Frankie Mancuso back to NCIS.

NCIS then helped Bishop stage a couple of photos of a dead Frankie and in exchange for not ratting Frankie out as a snitch, they got her to talk to them. She told them about how Richard Lane was the one runnings things and that was funny because Lane pretended to be a mere boat owner that was upset he rented the boat to Turner on the night Turner blew up. But figuring Lane was their guy, they thought they could finally put an end to the case. They went back to Young's store and was going to arrest him when they saw blood on the floor. They hadn't known who it belonged to and so Bishop kept her cover.

She pretended to walk in on Gibbs and McGee when they had a gun on Young and so she made Young believe she just saved his life. Though Bishop used that currency to demand where her boyfriend was. She asked Young if the blood belonged to Torres and he told her that it instead belonged to Lane. Lane hadn't been their boss. He really did just rent out his boats and eventually, he caught on to what Young was doing. So Lane demanded money for his silence and Young killed him to keep him quiet yet Young also revealed something. He said that Lane wasn't running things and had laughed off the idea that he was the boss.

The boss as it turns out was Donnie who pretended to be the harmless young man that got caught up in something he couldn't get out of. Yet, Torres had bought that story and after Lane shot Donnie he told Donnie the truth. He told him that he was a federal agent and that he could help leave the organization. So it dawned on Torres that he had been wrong about Donnie when Donnie pulled a gun on him and so Torres had had to fight his way out of that on his own. He drove Donnie to the safehouse and had crashed the car to get the upper hand on the other man. And he thought he would have to shoot his way through the others when his own team arrived to save the day.

They had arrested Young and he revealed where the safe house was, but while Torres did get into some trouble for what he did earlier, he and Bishop actually grew closer over what happened and he rubbed off on her because she was now more willing to trust her gut on a case.

Dark Secrets

Season 15

Episode Number: 342

Season Episode: 12

Originally aired: Tuesday January 9, 2018
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Director: Bethany Rooney
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Guest Stars: Patrick Labyorteaux (JAG Navy Captain Bud Roberts Jr.), Kaitlyn Black (Navy Lieutenant Melissa Newhall / Rita), James Read (Alan Newhall), Gina Hecht (Christine Newhall), Valery Ortiz (Kerry Lyons), Brian Hallisay (David Crocker), Nathan Sutton (Barry Goode), John L. Bader (Desk Clerk), Mark Dippolito (Sleazy Guy)
Production Code: 15011
Summary: After a seemingly happy and successful Navy lieutenant appears to have taken her own life, Gibbs and the team conduct a thorough investigation, interviewing family and friends from her past and present.



The team got a call about a dead JAG officer on tonight's all-new episode, however, the parents of the victim didn't believe Lt. Melissa Newhall's death was suicide. She had been found hanging from the ceiling by her distraught parents and, despite the circumstances in which they found her, they were sure to tell NCIS when they saw them that their daughter didn't kill herself. They said they talked to their daughter almost every day and she had been happy. Melissa had recently got engaged to her boyfriend David Crocker

and so the team knew that they should talk to him about her in case he noticed something her parents wouldn't be aware of.

Except David on a business trip that same morning and so that had made them all little suspicious, but what had made David's trip a little too convenient had been what they'd seen in their report on the preliminary autopsy. The report stated that Melissa had been covered in bruises and often in abuse cases, the culprit is either the spouse or the boyfriend. So the team continued to reach out to David until he eventually got in contact with them and agreed to an interview. David hadn't known that anything was wrong and hadn't therefore been on his guard when he was questioned about Melissa's bruises.

David, though, had no knowledge of these bruises or so he claims. He said that Melissa believed in waiting until they were married so they were celibate and while it hadn't seemed like it was making it up it sure didn't explain why Melissa hadn't actually been celibate. She had had sex within three days of her death and so if David wasn't her partner then who was? The team reached out to Melissa's best friend to find out if Melissa had any exes she might not have gotten

over and the friend told them that Melissa didn't really have exes. She said Melissa had never truly dated and that she hadn't cared about dating until she met David.

Therefore, none of what they found was making any sort of sense. They were investigating the suicide of a JAG lawyer that always seemed to look on the positive side and never had a bad thing to say in her video journal that she was holding onto for five years. Just this Melissa that the team kept hearing about didn't actually seem to exist. She had a burner phone in her house and it belonged to her other persona. Melissa liked to go out on the town as Rita and she constantly sought out men that could beat her part of some extreme S&M. So Sloane was brought in to help them understand what happened to Melissa.

Melissa led this secret life and no one in her inner circle knew about it. Her best friend had even been left speechless when she was heard that Melissa hid this other side to herself because she thought Melissa had told her everything, yet with that no longer being the case, Kerry had to wonder if she really did know Melissa or will she be mourning the woman she thought Melissa was and so she asked NCIS not to tell Melissa's parents what they found. She said that she was still Melissa's best friend and that she had to protect her memory especially in regard to Melissa's parents. Their daughter had been their whole world and so she didn't want to take that from them.

Only that wasn't a promise that NCIS could keep. They were running an open investigation and would need to inform everyone in Melissa's life what she had been up to if they were ever going to get answers. So they talked to her parents without revealing too much and they admitted that Melissa kept a diary when she was a teenager. Her father said that Melissa had gone through a drastic change in high school and that he had tried to read her diary when she walked in before he found find anything. And so they asked David if he knew where Melissa's hiding place was, he did and led them right to her diary.

It turns out Melissa had written in her diary about her teacher Mr. Paul and how she was going to teach him a lesson with her best friend Kerry. But they looked into this Mr. Paul and they found out his body had just been found buried in a ditch, but that wasn't all of what they found. They also learned that girls started coming forwards after he disappeared and that the girls revealed that their teacher had molested them. So Sloane put the rest together. She figured Melissa really did kill herself because now that Mr. Paul's body was found she thought her secrets, both new and old, would come out.

The secrets that Kerry would eventually tell them were this: Mr. Paul had molested them and they lured him out in the wood hoping to get him to confess on tape. Except Paul had a heart attack and died while they had him tied up so they panicked. They buried his body and never talked about it again. So when his body was found, Kerry called Melissa to tell her and Melissa freaked out believing her life was over. And just hearing it in her friend's voice, Kerry rushed over to Melissa's and found her friend had killed herself.

Melissa had left behind a suicide note saying goodbye and she also said why she killed herself so Kerry had taken that note before she left because she was in sheer panic mode.

Luckily for her, Kerry had kept the note and she had later handed it over knowing she would also have to answer to Pennsylvania police about Mr. Paul.

Family Ties

Season 15
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Season Episode: 13

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Guest Stars: Jamie Kaler (Chris Bell), Gabrielle Carteris (Julie Bell), April Brinson (Genevieve Bell), Naomi Grace (Kayla Vance), Diandra Lyle (Alexandria P.D. Karen Stradivarius), Geoffrey Rivas (Mr. Guzman), Travis Johns (Martin Curtis), Yvette Monreal (Maya Guzman), Lizzie Broadway (Mandy), Anjali Bhimani (Sara Petrie), Timothy Davis-Reed (Edison Rawls), James Austin Kerr (Phillip), Valeria Maldonado (Rachel), Ken Luckey (John Kendall), Samantha Rose Baldwin (Volleyball Player)
Production Code: 15013
Summary: After McGee and Torres visit the home of a high schooler who witnessed a hit and run, her parents flee with their daughter, leaving NCIS in the lurch.



Gibbs was forced to cancel his breakfast plans when the body of a corporal was found floating by the road.

But Director Vance had been disappointed about breakfast. His daughter had him on a morning shake routine that could never replace eating actual solids and so he looked towards breakfast at the diner as his one escape from that routine however he knew why Gibbs had canceled and would have left Gibbs to do his work if his daughter hadn't gotten into trouble. Kayla had gotten arrested

for shoplifting. She had ditched school to go the mall and had stolen some merchandise that was later in fact found in her purse. So Kayla did do it!

Kayla had even admitted that she did it. But what she hadn't confessed was that her father was Director Vance. If she had then maybe the police or possibly the store could have cut her some slack, but she hadn't said anything and the store had pressed charges. So it was the police that figured out who Kayla was and unfortunately, they were the ones that notified her father. The Director had thought Kayla was still at school when he got the call and he had been shocked because shop-lifting hadn't sounded like his daughter.

The Director thought that Kayla was serious about her health and especially school because it was her last year. But the Director admitted to Gibbs that he didn't know what to do with Kayla. She was a good kid when she was a younger and she used to talk to him yet things change when she became a teenager because she found outside influences and so the Director

had wanted to stay at the office. He hadn't wanted to go home because he knew he would have to have a conversation with Kayla and had wanted to put it off as long as possible. So Gibbs had to convince him to go home.

Gibbs could put work first because he had nothing to go home to. But the Director was different and so Gibbs couldn't let him hide at the office. He convinced the Director into leaving work early and then handle his case. He and his team had quickly found out that their victim, Lance Corporal Jenkins, had ended up in the water after someone had run him off the road. So they had used the broken headlights to tracking down the car and they found John Kendall though Kendall couldn't have possibly have driven his car that night.

The Blue Maserati was outfitted with a breath analyzer because Kendall had gotten into a few DUIs and so he couldn't have possibly taken his car out on the same night he had twelve drinks at the bar. But Abby dusted the car and, while she couldn't find fingerprints, she did find a bracelet. The bracelet had the mascot of the local high school on it and its initials matched only one girl — Genevieve Bell. She was a straight A kid and seemed well-liked, but the team knew that they had to talk to her because she was either driving the car or was a witness to a vehicular manslaughter.

But the team thought they could find Genevieve at home. It was after school hours and so they thought she was probably doing her homework however they went to the house and her parents said she wasn't there. They said their daughter stays late at school for volleyball practice and so the father agreed to drive over there because he said it wasn't that far away. So the guys thought they would meet with the father and the girl at the school and it turns out they were mistaken. They got there and both father and daughter were gone.

The guys had been had. The father had gone to the school to take his daughter and the whole family had escaped before the agents could return to the house. But why did they run? That's the question that bugged the team because it had seemed extreme for the whole family to go on the run even if Genevieve had been driving that car. So they questioned her best friend Maya Guzman because Maya had been with her that night and it turns out Maya had been the one driving that car. She had been seen in security footage from the convenience store the girls had driven to and it driving a stolen car must have been Maya's idea as well.

Maya was the one that lived the next door to Kendall and so she thought it would be a great idea to take the car because Kendall left not only the garage door open, but he also left the keys in the cupholder. But Maya was willing to confess that she drove the car and so that didn't explain why the Bells went on the run. It was just unexplainable until Gibbs took a second look at the family photo. The parents had blue eyes and their daughter had brown. So the odds of that were nearly impossible and Gibbs asked Abby to run a DNA test on the family's toothbrushes.

The later results revealed that the Bells were genetically related to Genevieve and the fact there wasn't an official adoption showed that the Bells kidnapped their daughter. But when they found out who Genevieve really was, they learned that her biological mother had overdosed not long after she was born and that her father had been in prison at the time. So the Bells who knew Genevieve's biological mother had gone to kidnap the baby because they hadn't wanted her to go into the system and they couldn't formally adopt her because the dad had an assault charge from when he was eighteen and had gotten into a fight at a Metallica concert.

So finding the family had been easy though choosing what to do with the parents had been the hard part. They hadn't lied to their daughter and had told her why they had taken her. But they did kidnap her father and biological father wanted to sue the Bells. He hadn't cared to look for his daughter and so the only reason wanted to sue was to get some money out of the couple. And the team figured out the best way to stop him from doing so was having Genevieve talk to Martin Curtin because she was the only one that could convince him to let her go.

If he sued then he would be pursuing custody. But Genevieve loved her parents and she wanted to stay with them. So she talked to Curtis and he officially signed the papers relinquishing his custody to the Bells because he realized that was what was best for her. And while the whole thing had been a trying time for everyone involved, the Director realized his daughter had taken the fall for the robbery at the mall because she had been taking the blame for her friend. The same friend that was eighteen and had two strikes on her record so the Director decided to go easy on Kayla because she was still a good if the misguided kid.

Keep Your Friends Close

Season 15
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Season Episode: 14

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Guest Stars: Jeremy Andorfer-Lopez (Officer Sanchez), Vinessa Antoine (Sarah Willis), Chantelle Barry (Patrice Jansen), Jeff Berg (Michael Barrett), June Carryl (Julia Marino), Dustin Ingram (Ozzie Duncan), Matt Lowe (Joey Barrett), Kinsey McLean (Navy Commander Sean Evans), Maury Morgan (Virginia State Trooper Marsha Jones), Kevin Pollak (Albert Hathaway), Joe Spano (T.C. Fornell), Steven Stone (Dominic Malecki), Hilary Ward (Jessica Shaeffer)
Production Code: 15014
Summary: When the body of a missing Navy commander is found, Gibbs and his team are ordered to work with former FBI agent Tobias Fornell, the private investigator who was hired to find him.



McGee has been on a roll since his two children were born. It was like he had sudden change overnight and became more than the McGee they all knew as well loved. He was now Superdad. McGee has been able to close cases all on his own and he had even started to notice the little things that could have easily turn into something else if he hadn't spoken up. So whatever got into him, it appeared to be doing wonders for both his home life and his work at NCIS, however, McGee's new powers were put to the test when

their case proved to be full of twists and turns.

The team had gotten a call when a couple of local police officers pulled over someone driving a stolen car and had found the body of Navy Commander James Willis. Willis had been found in a barrel and the small amount of lye in the barrel had dissolved both of his feet, but there wasn't enough lye to dissolve the rest of the body and so that had stumped Palmer. Palmer had later told Gibbs that it just hadn't made sense to take countermeasures and not use them to their full advantages. He believed the culprit they're looking for had cared about using the lye because they wanted the commander to eventually be found which would make sense.

The culprit had also taken a very large risk when they used a stolen car to carry around the body and the fact that the car had been found in an empty parking lot when it was stolen by another person had shown that the culprit didn't care if the commander was found intact. There was little to no forensic evidence found at the scene and the car had been stolen by one too many

to be of actual use. Meaning there wasn't much that NCIS could take from the scene or the body to find the person responsible though Abby had had an explanation for why the scene had been too clean. She told the others that they were looking for hitmen.

Abby explained Willis had been killed by a pro and so she helped them look into anyone that had access to lye or who might have stolen some to use on the victim yet that wasn't the only avenue the team was using. They had also found out that a Private Investigator had gone to Willis's home and was asking about him. Willis had been missing by then and therefore his widow hadn't been able to offer the PI much because she had also been looking for her husband by that point. So the PI left her his business card and the team used it to track down the PI because they had questions of their own that they wanted to ask.

The team wanted to know who this the P.I. was and it turns out it was their old friend Tobias Fornell. Fornell had gotten let go from the FBI when they found out he withheld crucial evidence in Hick's case and so he became a Private Investigator afterward. He said it allowed him to still use his skill set and he seemed happy with his new career. Fornell told Gibbs that he wasn't upset with him and that he was in a great place now, but what Fornell couldn't understand was why Gibbs had been avoiding him before and why he was continuing to do so even as Fornell was brought onboard to help with Willis's case.

Fornell had been looking for Willis because he had been hired by Cash-Line Direct. The money-lending company had signed off on several loans to Willis and Willis started to ignore them by the time some of those payments came due. He didn't answer any of their calls or respond to the many letters in the mail and so the team eventually learned that he had been in debt with quite a few people. He had also borrowed money from a friend that to pay off some his sick mother's medical bills and he recently paid off the thousands of dollars he had owed his friend. And so while he had been in debt, Willis was trying to pay off everyone.

Plus, dead men can't pay off bills and so none of the people he owed would have a motive in killing him, however, there was one other motive that no one had seen until they found out about the hitman. The hitman had paid off two idiots to get rid of the body and so they had happily given him up. They revealed that the hitman was going to kill someone else and it turned out that someone else was a woman that Willis had been having an affair with. The two met when they were serving on the same jury and were sequestered for months. So Willis finally got up the courage to tell his wife that he was leaving her and that she wasn't going to get anything.

Willis had used up all of their savings and so there was nothing his wife could take though she realized that if she killed him as well as his mistress that she would get money from his life insurance policy and that mistress wouldn't be able to point her out as a suspect. Therefore, it had been a good plan until the hitman she hired had turned around to outsource the body's disposal. That's what led to both the hitman and Willis's wife being identified and now they were both looking at life sentences. And while Fornell eventually learned that he had been right about Hicks, he decided to forgive Gibbs for trying to hide it from him and was going to work the case with them.

Sloane for her part had warned his lawyer friend about Hicks and so Jessica gave up on being his counsel because she found something. She couldn't tell Sloane what she found because it was protected by attorney-client privilege and so she just told Sloane to keep digging because there was something to be found. But before Sloane could get anything else out of her friend, Jessica's car blew up and Sloane along with everyone else knew who was responsible. It could only have been Hicks!

Keep Your Enemies Closer

Season 15
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Season Episode: 15

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Guest Stars: Stephanie Arcila (Danielle), Fran Bennett (Mary Elaine Smith), Graham Hamilton (Gabriel Hicks), Joe Spano (T.C. Fornell), French Stewart (Paul Triff), Hilary Ward (Jessica Shaeffer)
Production Code: 15015
Summary: NCIS strikes a deal with convicted murderer Paul Triff, giving him a 48-hour furlough at his former residence, now McGee's home, in exchange for information that can convict his former cellmate, Gabriel Hicks, the murderer who deceived Gibbs and Fornell.



NCIS had opened an investigation into Jessica Shaeffer. However Sloane known who was responsible for her friend's death.

Sloane had been looking into Gabriel Hicks. He was the naval officer that had gotten convicted of the murder of Lt. O'Connell and who also had gotten his conviction vacated when Sloane along with Gibbs seemingly proved that he was innocent, but the two later doubted their theory on Hicks's innocence after he was released from prison and showed off for

them at the batting cages. He had shown them that he hadn't mattered whether his left or right arm was dominant because he could use both. They were interchangeable for him and that meant he could have killed Lt. O'Connell only the two knew he did it because of the way he showed off. Hicks had wanted NCIS to know that they had him and they let him go.

Hicks got a thrill out of one-upping his opponent and so that's why let Sloane and Gibbs see him as the sociopath that he was, however, Sloane couldn't stay still when it came near her friend Jessica. Jessica had been acting as Hicks's lawyer and Sloane was worried about her. She went to Jessica to warn her about Hicks and how unstable he was and Jessica had ignored her. She thought Sloane was after some form of petty revenge because Hicks got out and so she didn't start to question who she was defending until much later on when she developed questions. Jessica had looked into Hicks's background and she found out that he had shared a cell with Paul Triff. Triff had his own history with NCIS and so they hadn't wanted to reopen that door.

Triff was the same man that had killed several people in McGee's apartment and was himself a sociopath yet Jessica had gone to see Triff right before she died and so Sloane had wanted to know what they talked about. She and McGee went to visit Triff in prison and they tried to talk

to him about Jessica. Jessica had been murdered because she found out something about Hicks and so the two were hoping Triff could help with that while Triff, on the other hand, was hoping they could give himself in return. He wasn't going to talk to them without any kind of wining and dining on their part and so McGee decided to call his bluff. He turned to Sloane and said that Triff didn't know anything so they might as well leave and that pushed Triff into giving them a hint.

Triff told them that Hicks was a talker. He told Triff all about how he killed O'Connell and even told him about the others so the NCIS agents had been a little doubtful. They just couldn't believe that Triff knew as much as he was claiming because Hicks couldn't have been that stupid and so Triff said Jessica had doubted him too until he gave her proof. He said that told Jessica about a witness that Hicks kept talking about in prison and how Hicks talked about killing this woman, but there had only been one witness the team knew about and it had been an elderly woman named Mary. Mary had been a witness in Lt. O'Connell's murder and so NCIS didn't understand why Hicks would go after her seeing as he couldn't be tried twice for the same crime. And that had gotten Triff to laugh.

Triff said Hicks didn't need a reason to kill Mary and so the team raced to Mary's side to protect her though by then they had been too late. She had gone missing when her nurse had left the room for a few minutes and witnesses stated they saw her get forced into a vehicle. But the team didn't know where Hicks would have taken her and their resident expert on Hicks had wanted something before he would help any further. He wanted a forty-eight-hour furlough while he helped them work the case and he had also demanded that he stay at his last known residence meaning he wanted to go back to McGee's apartment. McGee hadn't liked the idea and he hadn't wanted to babysit a serial killer yet he did his job and had also gotten rid of any evidence of his family at the apartment.

McGee's wife and kids went to go stay at her mother's and he had his team clean the whole place of any trace of him, but Triff did at least come through. He told them that Hicks left behind evidence of his crime in the van. The same van that NCIS still had in their custody and the one they swore they combed through until again Triff laughed. He laughed at NCIS because they were still thinking like cops when they should have been thinking like Hicks and so the team did as Triff suggested. They went back to the van and they checked inside of the vehicle where they eventually the murder weapon. The weapon that Hicks had used on all of his victims and not just Lt. O'Connell — a pipe that had his victims' blood all over it and just his fingerprints.

That was enough to try Hicks for the other murders and get him sent away for life however they then had one problem. They couldn't find Hicks. Hicks had gotten rid of the bug they tried to plant on him and he had returned Mary without any problems. He hadn't tortured or hit her and had allowed her to use his phone to call for help when he released her, therefore, no one knew what he was going to do next. They couldn't figure out why he hadn't killed Mary when he had the chance because he didn't seem like someone that suddenly grew a conscience and so they went back to their expert. They asked Triff where Hicks might be heading and Triff had had nothing for them. He instead had wanted to talk to McGee like old friends.

Triff had wanted to talk about their fathers. His own father was an absentee parent and he sensed McGee's father was the same though he assured McGee that he had nothing to worry about his own parenting style. He had figured out that McGee had had kids and he told them that all he could do was love them. Triff's own parents hadn't been into bonding and he said that hadn't hurt him. So Triff had been cracking jokes back at McGee's apartment and it was only afterward that they realized he had been giving them clues. He had wanted to talk about fathers because that was part of Hicks's motivation. Hicks went after strong men in authority and he killed them as a way to reassert his control after losing it to his own father.

It had taken some time for Sloane to realize that and that helped her figure out where he was going. He wasn't going on the run because he felt compelled to go after Fornell. Fornell had gotten kidnapped from his home and NCIS was out looking for him when Hicks decided to go to Triff's apartment. Triff figured Hicks would go there to find him and so he had planned on luring Hicks into a trap except McGee hadn't been fast enough to trigger to stop Hicks from shooting at him and so Triff took a bullet for McGee. McGee was like family to him and he appreciated the care that McGee showed his apartment. So the two were apricating each other when Hicks got away and finally tried to make his escape.

Hicks got into the car and was going to make a run for it, but somehow Fornell had gotten

out of his truck and had snuck in through the back seat to take on Hicks. The serial killer had been busy driving that he didn't see Fornell until Fornell had his hands around his neck and so that led to a nasty accident. Hicks had crashed the car and had gotten out to fight Fornell when Gibbs snuck behind him — only to taser him. They had wanted to bring in Hicks alive and they did just that.

Handle With Care

Season 15

Episode Number: 346

Season Episode: 16

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Guest Stars: Jake Allyn (Navy Petty Officer Second Class James Sweeney), Kirk Baltz (Bob Sweeney), Jake Busey (Whit Dexter), Jaymes Butler (Tom Moore), Drew Carey (John Ross), Shaun Clay (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Albert Dale), Joanna Leeds (Molly Guinn), Arienne Mandi (Emma Sweeney), Mike Maolucci (Clyde Sweeney), Tyler Parks (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Gordon Cooper)
Production Code: 15016
Summary: Gibbs and the team work to clear the name of retired Marine Sergeant John Ross when cyanide is found in one of the hundreds of care packages he sends to active-duty Marines.



The body of Petty Officer James Sweeney was returned to the States he died of a heart failure, but that hadn't made sense to anyone.

The sailor was twenty-three, had remained active during his deployment, and most importantly he had been medically cleared in the weeks leading to his deployment. So why would someone that was deemed healthy suddenly drop dead from heart failure? There was usually a build-up to such cases and his doctor wouldn't have deemed him fit for deployment

if he noticed his heart was under any stress, however, Palmer had double-checked the findings and what he found showed that Sweeney truly did die from heart failure and so he left the rest like the way to Abby. Abby had run the tox screen and she had found traces of a medication that could induce heart failure.

Therefore, someone had wanted Sweeney dead and Abby's best bet was Retired Marine Sgt. John Ross. Ross ran a charity that provided care packages to sailors overseas and each package has a picture of the soldier that personally wrapped it. And Sweeney's package had had a picture of Ross, himself. He did put together packages for the troops and his mother took a medication that was found in Sweeney's system yet Gibbs had had some misgivings about bringing Ross in. He had seen the background information on Ross and had known that Ross was a prisoner of war for over five years when their embassy was attacked in Iran.

Ross was not the type of man that would have liked being imprisoned again and so Gibbs had had Sloane look in on the interrogation though it wasn't much of an interrogation. Gibbs had

tried to push Ross about his care packages and had asked him why he would position an active soldier. Except Ross claimed he was innocent and continued to demand to he'd be released. He couldn't stand to be in a room with the doors closed and so eventually he was released just not before Sloane made her assessment. She could see that Ross wasn't ok and she knew that he wasn't treated when he came home like he would have been treated nowadays. And so she was concerned.

Sloane thought Ross was ok and she wanted to check up on him, but she couldn't tell one way or another if he had anything to do with Sweeney's death and so the other agents began asking questions. They went to Sweeney's home on the day of his wake and they talked to his wife Emma. Emma had been her husband's high school sweetheart and she said he had always known that he was going to go into the navy. He would talk about that and even getting married because he knew how he wanted his life to go. And as Emma was talking to the agents, there was a commotion in a different part of the house because Sweeney's drunk uncle had decided to make a scene.

Uncle Bob, who could not remain standing for long, had gone on and on about how Emma was glad his nephew was dead. He said she had never even paid attention to Sweeney until his parents died when they were kids and she found out he had inherited a lot of money. That part was true just Sweeney hadn't inherited the money alone. He had had to share his inheritance with his brother Clyde and it was Clyde that asked Bob to leave. He told his uncle that he was making a scene because Emma had nothing to do with his brother's death and that it would best if he left. So the agents asked Clyde about his dear uncle.

The uncle had said a lot of things and they had needed confirmation, so Clyde told them that his uncle was only bitter that he hadn't inherited anything. He believed Bob wouldn't have gotten in their faces as much if it hadn't been for the money and so the agents had forgotten the whole thing because the others had found out something about Ross. Ross usually took the packages he has to the mail office himself and the package that had been sent to Sweeney hadn't been sent from their office. The lady that works there says she handles all of Ross's packages because he likes to wait until she was free to come forward and so she told the agents about how odd it was.

The postal worker had also double-checked what the computer said and she told them that the package had been dropped off at a blue box however the agents had checked the box's address and he hadn't cleared Ross. They realized that it was near Ross's house meaning that he could have easily have dropped it off while in a rush and so they checked the date on the packages. The date he supposedly dropped off the package had been the same time he was in Chicago at a Marines reunion. Therefore, Ross couldn't have sent the poisoned package to Sweeney and someone had gone to additional lengths to frame.

The only person they could have thought of was the shock jock. There had been a shock jock that had invited Ross to his station under false pretenses and who had then accused Ross of being a government thug who only pretended to be charitable. That had upset Ross and Ross had even angrier when White Dexter claimed he faked being imprisoned yet Dexter hadn't liked Ross storming off because he asked he told his followers that he would prove that Ross couldn't be trusted. And so the team brought in Dexter. Dexter was rude, loud, and obnoxious except he wasn't a killer. He just said things and made up things to bring the followers back.

Then later when someone floated the rumor online about how Ross had poisoned someone, they went back to Dexter and again he was cleared. He hadn't started the rumor and so NCIS checked who did. It turns out it came from the Legion Hall where Ross works and it hadn't been Ross. It had been a volunteer there named Clyde and he had been with his girlfriend Emma. The brother and the wife of the victim have been sleeping together while he was deployed and they were the ones that crafted the plan to kill Sweeney. They did it because Emma wanted out of the marriage and Clyde had wanted to impress his idol Whit Dexter. And so it had nothing to do with the money.

They were just horrible people and unknowingly talking someone into murder had backfired on Dexter. He began losing sponsors and it wasn't going to be long before he lost his show. Though Sloane later conversations with Ross had helped them get through their experiences as prisoners of war. He had allowed her to open up to someone and she had done the same for him. He had also gotten the chance to tell her that he had a daughter that he didn't know about him because her mother had gotten married when he became a prisoner and so Sloane talked him

into finally telling his daughter who he was.

She just happened to be the mail lady he always talked to when he was dropping off his packages.

One Man's Trash

Season 15

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Director: Michael Zinberg
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Guest Stars: Mike Wolfe (Himself), Frank Fritz (Himself), Kamal Angelo Bolden (Clarence Wyatt), Shireen Crutchfield (Jane), Clark Freeman (Bill Lester), Leonard Kelly-Young (George Keogh), Diona Reasonover (Kasie Hines), Alyson Reed (Mrs. Keogh), Ana Rey (Museum Curator), Mike Wolfe (Mike Wolfe), Clint Culp (Roy Baxter)
Production Code: 15017
Summary: Gibbs and Ducky see an antique war stick on television that could be the missing murder weapon to a 16-year-old cold case.



Ducky was back in town and his mind was sharp as ever when he saw a murder weapon on sale. It seems he has never missed an episode of "American Pickers". He even watches when he's supposed to be working and so that how come he saw the antique war stick. The War stick dates back to Vikings' time and the reason Ducky had gotten so caught up on it was because he realized it might be a murder weapon. He remembered working a case few years ago that involved a petty officer being bludgeoned by a stick

of some sort and it had always puzzled both him and Gibbs that they never found the murder weapon. They knew the victim had been killed by a stick of some sort and so they couldn't understand why anyone would take it with them when they left rather than just wiping down.

The murderer could have easily wiped the murder weapon down or clean it using bleach. They instead took the weapon with them and so Ducky had investigated what the weapon could be. He had found a small wooden spike that had been embedded in the victim's skull and that coupled with the evidence of the victim dying from a blunt force object, had made him realize he was looking for a Vikings War stick and so the team at the time had made a conclusion based on what they knew. They had known at the time that the stick could have belonged to someone from Esteemed Order of the Blue Guard and that was an old fraternity that tended to hoard such items, but they hadn't gotten any new leads at the time and were eventually forced into benching the case.

That is, until now! Both Ducky and Gibbs were watching the show when they saw the weapon and realized how important it could be. So they tracked down the woman that used to own it and they talked to Mrs. Keogh about how she got such a rare find. She told them that she had

bought at a flea market a decade ago and that she hadn't remembered the name of the man that sold it to her. Mrs. Keogh said his name could have Earl or something and so she promised to look through the many cards she had collected over the years until she found the guy. In the meantime, the team tracked down the weapon because it had been sold to Mike Wolfe from the show "American Pickers" and they had talked to him about the weapon.

Mike Wolfe had recognized what a find it was when he had bought the war stick and he told them that there were collectors out there that would never have let such a valuable item out of his sights. He was actually talking to the agents about how strange collectors could get when they heard back from Mrs. Keogh and found out it had been Roy Baxter that had sold her the item. Wolfe had recognized the name and had told the team that Baxter worked his way up to becoming antique's dealer. The man had apparently run a shop not far from their location and so after they got the war stick from Wolfe they had proceeded to head over to Baxter's shop. And unfortunately when they got there, they found Baxter bludgeoned to death by the dumpsters.

They believed that whoever had attacked had waited for him to take out the garbage out back and had then jumped him before he even knew what was happening though the fact he had been killed just like Petty Officer Marvin Finn had been had made them question if that was the killer's MO. The person they were looking for had killed the petty officer sixteen years ago and had then gone seemingly underground when they killed Baxter. Baxter therefore had been the key. He must have gotten the murder weapon from the killer and, when they killer found out that Baxter had sold it, they had then killed Baxter to stop him from revealing where he bought the item. So they checked Baxter's security system and all they found was an avid collector.

The collector had bought a gun that belonged to General Patton and hadn't cared about a war stick. He said that unless they could connect it to someone famous that he wouldn't have cared about it and so the team no longer viewed him as a suspect. They just handed over the war stick to Abby and had hoped she would find some answers and she hadn't. Abby couldn't find anything on the weapon and so the person that had ended up helping them was Kasie Hines. Hines was the Graduate Assistant that was helping Ducky with his book and she had been hanging around while the others investigated the case. And when she found out about this war stick, she had asked her friends to help her research the item. Her friends got back to her when they found something interesting.

Hines's friends told her that a whole host of items from the Esteemed Order of the Blue Guard had been on display at the museum until eventually they were placed in storage and amongst the items that had been listed was a one-of-a-kind war stick. The stick was even listed as still being in storage and so a couple of agents went over there to check out this storage facility. They had noticed that everything had appeared to be undisturbed and so they hadn't noticed anything wrong until they opened the crate holding allegedly holding the war stick. The war stick had been gone from crate and the agents had seen blood splatter. The blood was tested and it had belonged to their petty officer, so they found the initial crime scene.

The petty officer had been killed in the crate and that hadn't made any sense to the team because the guy had supposedly been out having a beer with his best friend Bill Lester. Lester however had later admitted that he lied when he said they had been out to drinks because his friend had taken his place on duty with driving some antiques from the Naval Museum. Lester on the other hand had been having an affair with his Commanding Officer's wife and so that's why he had lied that night. He said he hadn't made a connection between the Naval Museum and his friend's death because his friend had been found twenty miles away in a bad neighbourhood. If he had known differently, he said he would have come forward and so the team were able to connect their victim to the scene.

What they couldn't figure out was who killed them and so they looked into everyone that had been involved with the antiques' removal. That's how they learned that the billionaire they had spoken to, Clarence Wyatt, had lied to them. He said he had bought General Patton's gun and it turns out the gun hadn't belonged to Patton. It had merely been a gun from WWII and so he had made fifteen thousand dollars for it because that had been his way of bribing Baxter. Baxter had agreed to sale therefore he had been willing to accept the bribe and so the only thing that had changed had been Wyatt. Wyatt hadn't been sure of Baxter and that's why he later killed. And he killed him because sixteen years ago he had killed the petty officer.

Wyatt hadn't made his money by then and so he had worked a driver. He drove the antiques to the new museum and had accidentally left behind his DNA at the crime scene in the crate

because he stole an item. The item was known to be a good luck totem and so that's why Wyatt had held onto it for so long, but he had had to kill the petty officer to get the thing and had thought he was so smart when he dumped Flynn's body in a bad neighbourhood because no one would suspected a seemingly upstanding citizen. Only this case they had and connecting him to the scene of the crime had forced him to make a full confession.

Death From Above

Season 15

Episode Number: 348

Season Episode: 18

Originally aired: Tuesday March 27, 2018
Writer: Christopher J. Waild
Director: Rocky Carroll
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Sean Murray (I) (Special Agent Tim McGee), Maria Bello (Special Agent Jacqueline 'Jack' Slone), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer), Emily Wickersham (Agent Ellie Bishop), Wilmer Valderrama (Special Agent Nick Torres), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Chief M.E. Donald "Ducky" Mallard), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Duane Henry (MI6 Officer Clayton Reeves)
Guest Stars: Robert Wagner (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.), Ty Olsson (Burke), Gwendoline Yeo (NCIS Special Agent Joanna Wright), Ian Verdun (Francis), Nalini Sharma (NCIS Tech Leslie Vyas)
Production Code: 15018
Summary: The headquarters are evacuated when the team finds a body and bomb materials on the roof of the squad room.



Gibbs and the team are sitting at their desks talking when a body lands on their roof. After getting over the shock, Gibbs and the others head to the roof. He is an AC repairman. Torres calls them over to the other side of the roof. He has a chair with an umbrella set up. It is a secret break room and Torres wants to know who set it all up.

In the office, McGee reports to Gibbs. The company the man supposedly worked for is fake and doesn't exist and neither does the identity of the man.

Eleanor comes to see Abby whose give her the latest. The man is an intruder who was carrying a pipe bomb in his toolbox. He accidentally set it off and killed himself.

Leon wants everyone out. He and his team will stay behind and look around. Gibbs refuses to leave. Leon gives him 30 minutes.

Eleanor is talking to Jimmy in the lab when the dead guy's identification comes back and he has a record.

Gibbs and Torres take a look around. They discover that the dead guy isn't alone. Meanwhile, Eleanor and Jimmy are still in the lab when the door shuts and locks. The lights go out. McGee and Leon also experience a failure with the system. The lights go out. Leon tells everyone they need to get out. They too are locked in. In the lab, Abby comes face to face with the other intruder. He has a gun.

McGee points out to Leon that whoever hit the power and shut the system is inside. Cell phone frequency has also been shut down. Outside, Reeves wants in but no-one will let him.

Torres and Gibbs sneak around in the dark. They see an intruder with a gun. Torres heads back to his desk to get his gun.

Torres dances through the dark office dressed like the cleaning man. Torres continues to play with them until the intruder holding Abby comes to see them both and looks at Torres' desk. He isn't a cleaning man.

McGee taps into the system. The intruders must be talking to one another. He locates the source. It's an intruder in the room with him, Leon and Sloane. Sloane is quick to take the female intruder down.

Reeves wants to bust in there asap, but the authorities outside won't let him. The lead intruder Burke reveals that he is there to destroy evidence. Torres notices his military tattoos and tells him to suck it. He tells him he is no longer loyal.

Burke lights the evidence on fire. Meanwhile, Gibbs pulls a fast one on the less intelligent intruder. He hits him with a bat and knocks him out. He radios to the outside and is just about to grab his gun when Burke comes out of nowhere. He aims his gun at Gibbs.

Sloane, Leon, and McGee try to break down their intruder who has been working for NCIS. Sloane asks her why she is doing this. Leslie tells them they offered her \$75k. She didn't know all of this was going to happen. Meanwhile, Eleanor tries to make her own explosive to break the window and free her and Jimmy.

Burke follows Gibbs who is supposed to show him how to get out. Meanwhile, Torres and DiNozzo try to break free from their cuffs while the fire still burns from Burke.

Sloan and the team finally get the computer system up and running. They get free. On the roof, Gibbs struggles with Burke. Gibbs runs while Burke tries to shoot him. They come to a stop. Leon shoots up through the ceiling, taking out Burke who falls through and onto a desk to his death.

DiNozzo finds Abby. She was sleeping in the morgue. They think she is dead. She wakes with a smile. Meanwhile, Eleanor's bomb goes off. She and Jimmy break free. The explosion makes Leon run to them.

The next day, Torres cannot believe Leslie was part of it all. She was always so nice to him. DiNozzo is taking them all out for drinks tonight. While they talk, Gibbs kicks back on the roof in his chair.

The Numerical Limit

Season 15

Episode Number: 349

Season Episode: 19

Originally aired: Tuesday April 3, 2018
Writer: David J. North, Steven D. Binder
Director: Leslie Libman
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Sean Murray (I) (Special Agent Tim McGee), Maria Bello (Special Agent Jacqueline 'Jack' Slone), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer), Emily Wickersham (Agent Ellie Bishop), Wilmer Valderrama (Special Agent Nick Torres), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Chief M.E. Donald "Ducky" Mallard), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Duane Henry (MI6 Officer Clayton Reeves)
Guest Stars: Daniel Steven Gonzalez (Rico Ruiz), Luis Jose Lopez (Javier Martinez), Alexis Carra (Kelly Conner), Lily Rose Silver (Elena), Matty Cardarople (Guest Star), Hans Marrero (Daniel Lucas), Jessen Noviello (Jesse Banks)
Production Code: 15019
Summary: Gibbs is granted protective custody of a 10-year-old orphaned refugee when an NCIS case reveals she is the target of a violent gang.



The team was called down to a records store where they came across a victim that wasn't exactly one of theirs. The team tended to get called to a scene when a member of the armed services was either injured or murdered, but there was something off about their latest victim because Lance Corporal Oliver Harris wasn't who he said he was. He had a military ID that could grant him access to any military base in the world and strangely the military had no record of him. If he was who he said he was then there would

have been a record and so the team knew their guy's ID was a fake. They had looked into it and they found several blank ID cards at the store. The store owner who also happened to be a second victim had seemingly been using his store to help a gang create fake military IDs and the team knew they had to figure out this gang's purpose.

The gang as it turns out was La Vida Mala. They started out as a local crew that slowly grew to ten thousand members over fifteen states and they were dangerous. The gang usually took on assassination jobs and so everyone believed the gang could be targeting someone in the military which was why they needed fake IDs however they needed Abby to help trace the fakes that might already be out there and so Bishop had had to make that request even when she didn't want to. She was sort of avoiding Abby because she had blown up Abby's lab and so she was afraid of what Abby might do if she ever found out what Abby did and unfortunately no one wanted to help her. The others refused to lie to Abby and even Jimmy had questioned helping Bishop.

They were all going to leave Bishop to fend for herself and so Bishop did her best to not give anything away. She later talked to Abby about the fake IDs they were investigating and Abby had found something. Abby found a sergeant that wasn't really a sergeant. Sgt Ruiz Rico didn't exist on paper and for some reason he had allowed onto a military base. The team had gone to the

base hoping to catch their fake sergeant and it turns out they had just missed him. He had been hanging around the cafeteria and had been noticed by the kids. The kids on the military base were all refugees whose had been left as unaccompanied minors and so they live on the base because housing was so scarce.

The kids mostly went to school and hung out as best they could, but they noticed sergeant because he had been taking pictures and so the team found out what he was taking pictures of. He had been taking pictures of one of the kids. It was a girl by the name of Elena and, by time authorities found her, she had been strapped to her mother who had drowned for hours. The girl was so traumatized that it took some time before she could open up and even then she didn't like strangers. She would shy away from them and so it came as a surprise when Elena easily warmed up to Gibbs when he engaged her in a conversation. He and the others were trying to find out why a gang like La Vida Mala would target a child and they decided to start by talking to Elena.

Elena had told the team about her family and that her mother taught her English because she wanted them to come to the states for a better life. What Elena hadn't told them was anything about La Vida Mala. The little girl didn't know why the gang was after her and so the team had to go looking into the gang. They found out the east coast leader was Javier Martinez and that he had a place off the grid, so the team went to check it out and ran across a guard dog. The guy that was guarding the place had been doing his best to stop the federal agents from finding the other body and he failed. The team found it and they brought in Martinez to question him over his involvement only he denied all knowledge of that as well as other things.

The team also learned that the same day the fake sergeant was on the base, there was a robbery. Someone stole several rocket launchers and so the team knew the gang was collecting weapons though they didn't know why and Javier wasn't talking. He practically dared the team to find something to pin on him and so Sloane believed Elena knew something even if the little girl wasn't sure if she knew something. Elena had heard about the gang because it was a problem in her country and so Sloane asked Elena to tell her everything about this gang. The gang it seems had been giving out ice cream to kids to the villages and wherever they went, violence was soon to follow.

Elena was too young to make the connection and so Sloane told the team the rest. She told the team that the gang was selling stolen weapons to foreign countries and that they were getting the weapons out of the country by using an ice cream company. The company would then giveaway free ice cream that the kids would notice and violence would follow which was what the adults noticed. So the team moved on the ice cream company that was stationed not far from where the weapons were stolen and they found the weapons in the dry ice except they had all been disarmed. Someone had made sure the weapons that were stolen could never be used and so Abby traced the finger prints back to "Sgt Rico".

It turns out Rico had used the gang to get close to Elena and had then betrayed the gang when he found out what they were really doing, so the team later learned their Sgt Rico was actually Elena's father. Her parents had split up when she was really young (which was why she didn't remember it) and her father had needed a fake ID to see her. He was just going to stop at checking up on her, but then he disabled the guns and Martinez put out a hit on him as well as Elena. That was why the little girl was targeted and so her father agreed to testify against Martinez in exchange for protection.

And while Vance wasn't sure what kind of deal the family would get, he was going to at least try to get them the necessary paper work to stay in the country because they all knew what would happen if they were deported.

Sight Unseen

Season 15
Episode Number: 350
Season Episode: 20

Originally aired: Tuesday April 17, 2018
Writer: Brendan Fehily
Director: Bethany Rooney
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Sean Murray (I) (Special Agent Tim McGee), Maria Bello (Special Agent Jacqueline 'Jack' Slone), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer), Emily Wickersham (Agent Ellie Bishop), Wilmer Valderrama (Special Agent Nick Torres), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Chief M.E. Donald "Ducky" Mallard), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Duane Henry (MI6 Officer Clayton Reeves)
Guest Stars: Delon de Metz (Petty Officer Thomas Billings), Sara Fletcher (Louise Cabrisio), Daniel Steven Gonzalez (Raphael Ruiz), Matthew Jones (Navy Commander Rick Odwalla), Marilee Talkington (Annie Barth)
Production Code: 15020
Summary: NCIS searches for a petty officer suspected of assault who escapes when the sheriff transporting him crashes into a lake. Also, Torres works closely with Annie Barth, a key blind witness who heard vital evidence needed to solve the case.



The episode kicks off in the wee hours when Sheriff Greg Pearson, escorting a suspect to jail, pursues a possible drunken driver and ends up plowing into the lake.

He swims to safety, but his passenger isn't able to escape... or is he?

Yeah, he totally is. When officials pull the car from the water, they discover that Thomas Billings, under arrest for assault, managed to kick out the window.

Two siblings were camping nearby, and when Torres attempts to question the

woman, Annie Barth, he gets immediately flustered when he realizes she's blind. She's bemused by his discomfort.

She reports that she only heard one person emerge from the water, and a man in a boat nearby called out to see if everyone was fine but quickly motored away.

Billings' CO tells Bishop that he was a disorderly sailor and their No. 1 suspect in the theft of a passel of smoke grenades and flare guns from the armory. They were about to call NCIS when Sheriff Pearson came a-knockin' and took the problem off their hands.

NCIS also has Billings' waterlogged cellphone and audio of him in the back of the squad car asking Pearson, "Is this about Randall Peters?" Confusingly, though, that's not the name of the person he's accused of beating.

Reeves and McGee find Billings' fiancée, Louise Cabrisio, at her father's pharmacy, where she tearfully announces that Billings just called from his apartment to break up with her. Torres is dispatched, and when he arrives, he finds Billings gone, but muddy footprints on the bedding lead him to a can light in the ceiling, where Billings has stashed \$26,460 in cash.

Louise comes in for questioning accompanied, at her father's suggestion, by the family's comically inept attorney, Webber Silk. (When Silk offers Sloane his card, he's holding it upside down.)

Louise claims to have no idea about the money and says Randall Peters is Billings' business partner. She never met him but says Billings told her last week would be their final meeting. Silk tries to stop Louise from giving Sloane the password for Billings' phone, but the one she gives them doesn't work on it anyway.

This frustrates Abby and company, particularly when a calendar alert pops up to remind Billings of the "Randall Peters pickup."

So NCIS has mysterious money but no phone code and no location for the drunken driver, the witness in the boat, Randall Peters, or even Billings' alleged assault victim, who lacks a permanent address. What they do have is a call from Annie, the woman camping near the accident scene, with the promise of useful information.

Torres is doubtful that Annie can help them, being blind and all, but he arrives at her apartment to find that she's got voice-activated lights and a law degree and can hang her own Braille map of the U.S. by placing a marble on top of the frame to tell her it's level. (Stealing that DIY tip, thanks!) Her no-nonsense manner leaves him awkward and impressed and awkwardly impressed.

When they arrive at the camp site, she takes Torres' arm and explains that her condition is degenerative and hereditary, and it's not that her other senses have gotten stronger, but she does pay more attention to them. What she wants to tell him is about a noise — specifically, the tha-thunk every time a car runs over a grate on the road nearby. When the accident happened, she only heard one tha-thunk when Pearson's car passed over it. So where was the tha-thunk from the alleged drunk driver?

Gibbs and Bishop ask Pearson this question, and he angrily accuses them of believing "Helen Keller" over him. Gibbs suggests that faking a car accident is a great way to kill somebody locked in the back of your vehicle, and then their interrogation is interrupted when a bullet flies through the window and kills Pearson.

Palmer's autopsy reveals that the bullet doesn't match Billings' Glock, and he sends Abby a sample of the dark substance on Pearson's pant leg.

Meanwhile, Billings' alleged victim surfaces. Mr. Nordstrom, sporting a battered face, affirms the details on Billings' arrest report — the details that Pearson wrote. But he can't identify Billings from a photo lineup.

Sloane notes that Nordstrom has a history of possession arrests. That, combined with Pearson's four excessive force complaints, leads her to hypothesize that Pearson agreed not to arrest Nordstrom if he let himself be beaten up and then to accuse Billings of it.

The reason Pearson wanted to kill Billings becomes clear when the substance on the sheriff's pants turns out to be red phosphorous, which is found in flare guns, smoke grenades... and meth.

Abby uses hot wax, Billings' on-file thumbprint, and one of Palmer's digits to unlock Billings' phone, which reveals Randall Peters' address: a sketchy warehouse where Billings has been bleaching all evidence of the meth lab that used to be housed there.

More pieces fall into place when they realize Randall Peters was a code name for red phosphorous, used in WWII smoke screens and sometimes known as Willie Pete. It's also the only ingredient of the nine needed to make meth that isn't readily available to pharmacists. And gee, are any pharmacists connected to this week's case?

McGee and Bishop suggest Billings was the supplier, Pearson was protection, and Louise's dad was the cook. And when Billings' CO confronted him about the thefts, Billings told his team that their supply had dried up, and the next thing he knew, he was in the bottom of the lake.

But when Annie arrives to serve as an ear witness, she doesn't identify Fred Cabrisio as the man in the boat when she listens to a lineup say, "Hey, are you alright?"

As Torres escorts Annie home, she explains that she helps Congress draft bills, resolutions, and motions, which impresses Torres. Meanwhile, she's impressed by his biceps, insisting, "I've held lots of arms. Yours are more than decent." Flirt game on point, girl! Torres is leaps and bounds more comfortable around her by now and is even able to say, "See you around" without flinching at the colloquialism.

At the pharmacy, Louise, wearing a wire, confronts her father about his over-ordering of pseudoephedrine, that ever-popular meth ingredient, and gets him to admit to cooking meth and trying to have her fiancé killed. He tells her he was afraid that Billings would "rat the three of us out." But who's the third man?

Annie finds this out when she answers her door assuming it's Torres, and Webber Silk lunges at her! She thinks fast and takes a cue from the 1967 thriller *Wait Until Dark*, using voice command to plunge her apartment into darkness to give herself an advantage. Silk busts out his phone flashlight, which Audrey Hepburn's character totally didn't have to contend with 50 years ago. Although Annie tosses coffee at him, Silk wrestles her to the ground and starts choking her. Thankfully, Torres arrives in time to save the day.

The case wrapped up, Annie takes Torres out for a celebratory meal, where they bump into Bishop and McGee. Bishop invites them to join their table, but McGee intervenes, and we close on a displeased Bishop watching Torres have a lovely meal with a lovely lady.

One Step Forward (1)

Season 15
Episode Number: 351
Season Episode: 21

Originally aired: Tuesday May 1, 2018
Writer: Gina Lucita Monreal
Director: James Whitmore, Jr.
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Sean Murray (I) (Special Agent Tim McGee), Maria Bello (Special Agent Jacqueline 'Jack' Slone), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer), Emily Wickersham (Agent Ellie Bishop), Wilmer Valderrama (Special Agent Nick Torres), Pauley Perrette (Forensics Specialist Abby Sciuto), David McCallum (Chief M.E. Donald "Ducky" Mallard), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Duane Henry (MI6 Officer Clayton Reeves)
Guest Stars: Skye P. Marshall (Sara Carter), Dedan Donovan (Jax Wesley), Briana Lane (Diane Boyle), Darren Dupree Washington (Security Guard), Shamori Washington (Theo Carter)
Production Code: 15021
Summary: Sara Carter begs Gibbs to investigate her mother's murder as she believes the local authorities convicted the wrong man. Also, Abby is awarded a dinner reservation for two to a brand-new five-star restaurant in an igloo and has to decide which coworker deserves to go with her.



Gibbs was stopped on his way to work because of an altercation at the front gate. The "altercation" as it was called was actually assaulted. A young woman came to the building demanding that her mother's death is investigated by NCIS and she refused to leave when the guards asked her to file her motion through the proper channels. They wanted her to speak with someone on the phone and then be happy with whatever answer those people gave her, but Sara Carter said she was tired of being given the runaround and that her

mother deserved better. Her mother was Chief Petty Officer Mae Carter and she had been killed in a robbery gone bad. There weren't any suspects and there weren't even any witnesses. And so a year passes without anyone getting arrested or held accountable for what happened to Carter, and her daughter Sara ended up punching a guard at the front gate to NCIS because she said her mother deserved better.

The guards later took Sara into custody and she probably would have been charged with assault for what she did if her detainment hadn't made the news. Someone had recorded the whole thing and it leads to a media firestorm with everyone wanting an answer to why her mother's case wasn't investigated. It hadn't mattered that Carter was retired or that her case was being handled by Virginia police because Sara was clearly desperate and the Navy was supposed to look after its own whether they were retired or not, so Gibbs decided to speak with Sara to hear her story from the source. She said that her mother did several tours in service of her country and that Sara even joined the armed services because of her mother who she knew for a fact deserved better than what she got.

Sara, however, was just a little too hot-headed. She kept saying that the investigation had been a bust and that the detective hadn't known what he was doing only she failed to mention all that he did find. The team later spoke with Detective Olson and he said that he looked into everything. He looked into a man named Robert Flynn who had gotten picked up for robbery a few houses down and the detective hadn't believed Robert was his guy. He said Robert had been honest when he said he wanted to go for valuables and that nothing had been stolen from Mae's home. The house had simply been ransacked and so that made the detective think about what else Robert told him. Robert said he heard two women fighting from the Carter household and the detective verified this with two of the neighbors.

The neighbors all remember Carter fighting with her daughter Sara. Sara hadn't owned up to that and she told the detective that she couldn't remember what they were fighting about. Which both the detective and the team had a hard time believing. They knew that Sara's fighting with her mother was probably the last conversation she had with the older woman and so there was no way she could have forgotten it. So the team looked into what else Sara could have conveniently forgotten and they found out that Sara had been in a lot of debt. She had been drowning in credit card bills and all that disappeared the same time that her mother died. And so the team went looking for Sara because they had questions. They went to her listed address and they hadn't found her there.

They went on to find her in an alleyway because it seems she had been living in her car with her son for the past few months. Sara used to live with her mother at her mother's house and that house went into foreclosure following Mae Carter's death, which was why Sara and her son Theo have been living out of her car. The two were found out when Bishop and Reeves found them and Reeves had seen such a situation before. He worked with a charity that helps homeless vets find housing and so he had tried to help Sara when he learned about her situation. Reeves had offered to put Sara in contact with people that could help and she turned him down because she said she wasn't homeless. Sara said that she was waiting for her mother's murder to be solved before she left town to go live with an aunt in Texas and so Reeves checked. He found out that there was an aunt and that instead, Sara's pride was stopping her from getting help.

Sara, it seems had suffered from brain damage from an explosion when she was overseas and so her condition severely limits her. She couldn't hold down a job for long and that's how she came to be in such much debt. Sara had even talked about her last conversation with her mother because they were right and she had remembered. She remembered arguing with her mother because Carter had used her life savings to pay off the debts and Sara hadn't wanted her to do it. And so the team ruled out Sara in her mother's death. They then looked into what else could there have been and what they found was that Carter had been looking into packages. She had gotten a list of several packages from a company called Global Courier and the team learned which packages she was looking for because they found a list that had imprinted itself on the inside of Carter's pocket.

So after they realized what it was, they tracked down where the packages were being mailed to and they found out that there was a man named Jax Wesly. He sold prescription drugs and, while he later died when he ran out in front of a truck, the team did find the murder weapon in his possessions. Jax had been selling drugs and the team knew that Carter had had a problem, so they questioned if she could have been killed over a bad drug deal and her daughter Sara said that was impossible. Sara said her mother had gotten clean and it wasn't until later that she admitted that she had gotten a prescription that went missing. Sara said her mother told her that they must have gotten dropped off somewhere else and that she believed it because she hadn't thought her mother would steal her pills.

Sara had beaten herself up for believing her mom and the truth was Mae Carter hadn't taken those pills. She had called the company when the medication wasn't dropped off on time and they gave her a list of packages that had gone missing lately, so Carter investigated what could have happened and learned that the man that owned the shipping company had been stealing packages in order to supply the drug dealer. And so the two worked together to kill Carter because she had been investigating them and had wanted to take them down!

Mae Carter had merely wanted to take her daughter's pain away and she had gotten killed for it. After she heard that, Sara put her pride to the side and decided to do what was best for her son Theo even if it meant she had to accept help.

Reeves had glad to help her and he had gone out with Abby afterward because the two wanted

to enjoy this trendy restaurant they heard about, but they had gotten mugged on their way there and Abby had asked the mugger if she could help him because that's just the kind of woman she is. And the robber hadn't liked that because he thought Abby was trying to tell him that she was better than him. And so the last thing that happened on tonight's all-new episode was the mugger turning his gun on Abby and firing...

To be continued. . .

Two Steps Back (2)

Season 15
Episode Number: 352
Season Episode: 22

Originally aired: Tuesday May 8, 2018
Writer: Jennifer Corbett
Director: Michael Zinberg
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Guest Stars: Sasha Alexander (Caitlin Todd (archive footage)), Jesse Bernstein (Doctor Riley), Peter Jason (SGM Robert King), Eddie Jemison (Terry Spooner), Laura San Giacomo (Dr. Grace Confalone), Marco Sanchez (Alejandro Rivera), Joe Spano (T.C. Fornell), Muse Watson (Mike Franks (archive footage)), Michael Weatherly (Anthony DiNozzo (archive footage))
Production Code: 15022
Summary: When evidence reveals an NCIS team member is a hitman's latest target, the team must search through old case files to determine who is seeking vengeance.



The team suffered a significant loss when two of their friends got caught up in a mugging gone bad. The two that had gotten hurt had been Clay and Abby. Abby had won a dinner for two at this exclusive restaurant and she invited Clay to be her plus one because she could see that he needed a night out. Clay tended to take care of everyone and so Abby had wanted to look after him for a change. She invited him to dinner and they were both so excited about it that it hadn't seemed like a big thing when a man came towards them

asking for change. They figured he must have been down on his luck and had wanted to help. Abby had said "sure" about the change and had had her head turned away while she got him the money when the homeless man pulled a gun on them. He hadn't wanted just her change.

The homeless man had demanded all of their valuables. Clay hadn't hesitated when he took off his watch and handed it over without a problem. Clay had also kept quiet while he did and Abby wasn't like that. She handed over her handbag and had told her mugger that she had wanted to help him. Abby thought she could help this man make a better life for himself and all she was anger him. He hadn't liked it when Abby said she could help because he accused her of looking down on him and believing she was better than him. The mugger had gotten so agitated that he demanded Abby repeat her statement even as Clay moved Abby behind him and, so when the mugger got what he wanted, he started shooting.

Clay had tried to protect Abby and had gotten killed for it. She, on the other hand, had also suffered a gunshot wound and had been rushed to the hospital in time. The doctors were able to

take out the bullet and Abby eventually woke up. The first thing she did upon waking was asked about Clay and so McGee decided to fill her in on everything. He told her that Clay died and he mentioned what else the team found. They had been all hands on deck when they heard about their friends and finding the shooter had been the easy part. He had gotten some DNA on Clay when Clay fought with him over the gun and therefore the team knew that former Marine Kent Marshall had been responsible for Clay's death. And that the mugging had actually been a hit job.

The team found Marshall dead at his apartment. His throat had been slit and whoever killed him hadn't bothered hiding the evidence of why they killed him. Marshall had had a dossier on Abby and it told him everything about her. From the route she took to work and what she likes. Abby later used her own expertise to go through everything she had on file and she found out that the dinner for two deal had actually been fake. She learned that someone hacked into the restaurant's database to send her an email and that they had even hacked into the restaurant's reservation services just to cover their tracks, so Sloane did a profile for their culprit. She said whoever did was smart, calculating, well-connected, and could carry a grudge.

This person went out of their way to ensure Abby was killed. They must have staged a mugging to throw off whoever turned out to be her plus one and so Abby blamed herself for what happened to Clay. She thought she got him killed and had wanted to do something about it. Abby used the excuse of Rule #45 to lock up Torres in her coffin and then she went after the man that tried to kill her. The team found out it had been that Sgt. Robert King. King had black site connections and was a bio-terrorist. Abby had taken him down years ago and he was supposed to be in prison yet Gibbs and Bishop had gone to the prison and had found someone else in his cell. King had apparently threatened to kill a guard's grandchildren to get the man to take his place and then he went free.

King had Marshall go after Abby and Clay had died to try to protect her. That meant it wouldn't have mattered what she said because things would always have ended that way! Abby realized that and she later tracked down King to a café. He had been waiting for his flight out of the country and she had gone right up to him unafraid. Abby had let him talk and tell him how smart he was when the truth was she was keeping him busy while she slipped something into his coffee. She then waited until he drank the last drop and that's when she told him that she slipped him some cyanide. Abby claimed everyone had a breaking point and that she reached hers, so she told him she'd give him something to cure him if he confessed.

Abby, however, hadn't really given him cyanide. She gave him caffeine pills that gave him the same symptoms as cyanide at first and so she didn't come clean until she got her confession. Abby used Rule #45 because that was one that said: "clean up your own mess". She had wanted to get justice for Clay and she got that. Especially, when NCIS arrested King and sent him back to prison. So Abby thought long and hard about her life at NCIS before she ultimately decided now was the time to quit. She had lost too many on the job and she wanted to spend the rest of her life setting up a charity in Clay's honor. It had been his dream to one day do that for his mother and Abby wanted to carry it out for him.

So Abby said goodbye to her longtime friends and she had tried to things a little easier for herself by writing Gibbs a letter.

Gibbs had been like a parent to her and so she hadn't been able to say goodbye, but she wrote her letter and was there at his window to wave to him goodbye.

Fallout

Season 15

Episode Number: 353

Season Episode: 23

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Writer: David J. North, Christopher J. Waild
Director: Terrence O'Hara
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Guest Stars: Don Lake (Navy Captain Phillip Brooks), Bobby Ray Cauley Jr (ND Caddy), Stephen Jared (David), Diona Reasonover (Kasie Hines), Susan Walters (Marcy Brooks)
Production Code: 15023
Summary: While Gibbs attends the memorial service for a friend who was lost at sea, he discovers that the deceased, Navy Captain Phillip Brooks, has been hiding in a fallout shelter after his boat was attacked and he swam to shore.



Gibbs attended the memorial service of another friend . He lost his good friend Captain Phillip Brooks who was lost at sea during a weekend excursion. The coastguard never found Phillip's body and so Gibbs had gone to the funeral with a heavy heart. He thought that they would have to bury an empty casket and hadn't realized how hard he was taking things until Phillip's widow asked him for a favor. She hadn't been able to bring herself to go through her husband's workshop and had asked Gibbs to take her

husband's old tools. Phillip and Gibbs used to work together on their boat and Marcy said her husband would have liked it if his tools went to Gibbs. And so Gibbs accepted the tools.

Gibbs later went down into the basement to take a look at the tools and, while he had been looking around, he saw a hidden door disguised in the workshop. He hadn't known what it was and had gone in there expecting to find some hidden project, but what he found was his good friend Phillip. Phillip was alive and well. He has apparently been hiding out in his basement because someone had tried to kill him. Phillip told Gibbs about being out the boat and how right as he was about turn around there came another boat. This other boat tried to ram into him and he could have thought it was an accident except someone else tried to shoot at him. Phillip said that's when he realized some was trying to kill him.

Phillip was able to survive the ordeal even if he couldn't save the boat and he said he's been in hiding ever since. He had thought the situation would have been cleared up early on and so he hadn't known that his memorial was going on upstairs. Phillip also didn't know that it had been six days since everyone including the coastguard wrote him off for dead and so Gibbs eventually became frustrated. He asked Phillip why he hadn't come to him and Phillip said he did. He called

NCIS and spoke to a guy with a British accent. He was talking about recently departed Reeves and so Gibbs figured out why he hadn't gotten the message. It probably came right before Reeves was murdered or in the chaos of that day, Reeves could have simply forgotten.

Either way, Gibbs promised Phillip that he would help and so he convinced everyone to go along with pretending Phillip really was dead. Director Vance had had a problem with faking a naval officer's death and had only gone along with it because Gibbs said there was no other way to keep Phillip alive. Phillip was so afraid that someone would target him again that he hadn't even talked Marcy the truth and so Gibbs used Torres to distract Marcy. Marcy had talked to him for a while about she's slowly trying to adapt to a life without her husband and the team later thought they had a possible answer for why she was doing her best to adjust. They had collected Phillip's laptop from his home when they brought him to a safe house and they found several pictures on the computer.

The pictures were of Phillip and another woman in various as well as scantily clad positions. Gibbs had taken one look at those photos and said they could be motive. Afterward, he confronted Phillip and asked him about the photos though Phillip claimed the photos were a fake. He said that several months back he had gotten sent a bunch of fake photos and a demand for two hundred thousand dollars. Phillip hadn't paid and chose to go to the police. The police said that it could be another internet scam and had warned Phillip that he should tell his wife about them if they were really faking because that way the photos couldn't be used against him. And that's what Phillip did, he went home and told Marcy everything.

Phillip definitely hadn't acted like he had something to hide and he hadn't hidden the fact that he genuinely did know the woman in the photos. He said she was a good friend of his and a couple of agents had gone to speak to her. Antonia Morello had a store restoring old typewriters and she was the only one in business in the strip mall that Phillip owned. She had actually thought the agents were the same investors as before and had taken a tire iron to their car. Antonia later apologized when she realized she was mistaken and she reiterated what Phillip said. They were just friends and she viewed him as a grandfather because he was old enough to be one to her. And so Antonia believed those investors must have had enough.

A few investors wanted to tear down the strip mall and put an apartment complex in its place. The only thing stopping that had been Phillip's stubbornness. He had liked Antonia's father and was going to allow her to keep her show because he rather rent it to her than sell out a mom and pop shop. So NCIS checked with the investors and they found one of them was having money troubles. He was having so many troubles that he tried to kill Phil to get his hands on the land and so the team got evidence to prove this. They used their new forensics analyst, Kasie Hines to get financial records and connect him to someone in Phillip's life. Phillip's eventually told his wife that he was alive and she had been so upset with him that she refused to talk to him. And had only talked to her boyfriend.

Marcy would later claim she had no idea that the man she'd been seeing had tried to kill her husband, but the evidence was against her because she had warned him when she found out her husband was still alive and so the both of them were arrested for attempted murder.

They were also looking at charges of actual murder because the two may have played part in the coastguard agent's death.

The agent had been looking into what happened to Phillip's boat and she could have been killed to end her investigation.

Date With Destiny (1)

Season 15
Episode Number: 354
Season Episode: 24

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Guest Stars: Diona Reasonover (Kasie Hines), Pej Vahdat (Nigel Hakim), Chelsea Alden (Navy P.O. 3rd Class Stephanie Vairo), Justice Gamble (King), Alexa Hamilton (Sybil Rigg), Ann Hu (FAA Operations Supervisor Heather White), Carlin James (Navy Seaman Felix Pittorino), Brian Jimenez (Anshiri), Chris Marroy (Pilot), Cameron Douglas Neckers (Hale), Terrell Ransom Jr. (Parker), Kiff VandenHeuvel (Sgt. Peter Todd), Jason Catron (Retired Captain Chester Kelb), Lyndell Higgins (FAA Worker)

Production Code: 15024
Summary: Sloane is adamant that a man who held her hostage and tortured her years ago in Afghanistan, and was believed to have been killed following her rescue, is alive and in D.C., leading Vance and Gibbs to fear she is willing to risk everything to destroy this man.



Someone claimed a bomb was aboard a Navy destroyer. They didn't see how they knew about this bomb or even where on such a large vessel could this bomb be however they made a claim and so NCIS had to investigate it. Gibbs had asked the others to go to the ship in his place. He said he had to do something first and the fact that case was taking second place with him hadn't sounded like the Gibbs they all knew. The others started to talk amongst themselves and they did their best to figure out he could be doing. They

went over everything that could have happened with no one of them coming even close to where Gibbs ran off to. Gibbs, as it turns out, went to his family's grave.

Gibbs never missed his late wife Shannon's birthday. He brought flowers to her grave and had stuck around for a while, but in that time his team had done well for themselves. They found out the threat was announced when someone left a message on a bathroom mirror and so right away that states someone with access left the ship. Meaning it had to be one of the crew. The XO couldn't see why someone would be left behind a message like that and he also had a hard time comprehending the message when there wasn't a bomb. It had been a hoax! A hoax that wouldn't make sense to seasoned to navy personnel and so they had gone to Sloane. Sloane said someone could have used a fake bomb threat as an excuse to stay on at the port longer.

It's hard on serving men and women to leave behind their families to spend months at sea. Sloane said someone might have had an especially hard time with the latest leave and so the team looked into it. They found out two had been denied additional leave and were bringing them in to question them yet before they questioned a couple of people with grudges, Gibbs came back. He acted like nothing happened and had wanted to get on with the investigation. Gibbs found out what they learned and had wanted to bring both sailors that were turned down. One was a man and he was questioned first because Torres said a woman wouldn't call in a bomb threat. And so they talked to the young man who as it turns out was glad that he didn't get leave.

The sailor had found out his fiancée slept with his best friend and had wanted to try to win her back though he said if he had gotten leave then he would have probably have killed the best friend. So it was a good thing he didn't get leave! The other suspect was a woman who wanted to stay behind because her mother was fighting ovarian cancer and it turns out she hadn't been bitter either. She said her mother called the Admiral to make sure she didn't get leave. The mom knew her daughter has always wanted to be in the navy and hadn't wanted her disease to stop her child from finally leaving out her dream. The sailor understood what her mother did for her and so she had her mom promise to keep fighting while she was away.

Both of these people had no reason to be angry. They saw the sense in the end and had realized that staying on the ship was what's best for them. Therefore, NCIS was looking for someone else. They were back to the drawing board in figuring out why someone staged a hoax and were running out of options when they found out about Sloane. Sloane had been set up on a date by McGee and Delilah and she had been interested in the man they chose for her, but during the date, she overheard someone that sounded a lot like a man called "Masahun". Masahun was a terrorist that tortured Sloane and she had been the only one that walked away whole out of her squad. And while its been several years, Sloane never forgot the voice.

Sloane tried to heal from the torture and the only thing that allowed her to put her ordeal behind her had been when she learned Masahun was dead. He had allegedly been killed during a drone strike several years ago and so there should be no reason why Sloane should hear his voice again. She found the man that was talked and had known instantly that he was Masahun, however, she didn't call for backup or even told her date what was happening when she suddenly went at the man she knew to be her torturer. Sloane went at him and he got away when people in the restaurant restrained her. She was later arrested and had called Vance who bailed her out when she told him what happened.

Vance had thought maybe Sloane had confused the man she attacked with Masahun and still looked into the matter because he had wanted to put her at ease. He had McGee get footage from the restaurant and also had Kasie run facial recognition. Kasie found out the man Sloane attacked had been Nigel Hakim. Hakim was staying at the Saudi Arabian embassy and no surprise he hadn't wanted to talk or come in. He merely complied because he went to NCIS with a Deputy Ambassador from the UK. Hakim was a British citizen and he won a lot of friends by raising millions of refugees, so he hadn't been that concerned when went to Vance's office. He knew he had the firepower and had claimed he didn't know why Agent Sloane had attacked him.

Sloane filled him on the why and she had asked him to say "infidels". She wanted the confirmation that he was who he said he was and he refused to say those words. He actually got up and walking away when Sloane apologized. She said she was still a little messed up and had wanted to shake his hand because it was the only way to get close to him. Sloane remembered Masahun's cologne and so she felt vindicated when he was still spraying it on. She had told Vance that was proof and there had been nothing he could do about it because Hakim left with the Deputy Ambassador. And so Sloane was venting when Gibbs saw her, he instantly saw there was something wrong and got her to confess to everything.

Gibbs then went to Vance because Vance should know that Sloane wasn't going to let the matter drop. She would get after Hakim and Vance hadn't wanted her to risk her own career by doing so. He had been part of the rescue team that got her out when her platoon was captured and there had been one other person that survived. It had been a man so messed up that never walked again or regain his full faculties. But Vance had recorded the conversation with Hakim and had played it for the injured soldier. It had been a few years for him and he too identified the voice as Masahun which had been enough for Vance. Vance contacted the British embassy to say that Hakim had been properly identified as a terrorist and they still thought he was lying.

They thought he was feeding into Sloane's paranoia and so they didn't mind sharing that

Hakim had booked a private plane out of the country yet Vance asked Gibbs to get to Hakim before Sloane did. Sloane disappeared with her gun and so everyone met at the airport where they hoped they caught Hakim in time. And, unfortunately, they missed him. Hakim had booked two charter flights to throw everyone off, so he already left the country and sadly he hadn't been alone. Hakim kidnapped Director Vance once he found out it had been Vance that killed several of his "brothers" when they raided the compound.

To be continued. . .

Season Sixteen

Destiny's Child (2)

Season 16
Episode Number: 355
Season Episode: 1

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Guest Stars: Keon Alexander (CIA Special Agent Nazy Rickman), Jessica Gardner (Olivia Kahn), Naomi Grace (Kayla Vance), Alexa Hamilton (British Deputy Ambassador Sybil Rigg), Cory Jacob (NCIS Special Agent Rod Beecham), Robin Karfo (Zaiyema), Chad Lindberg (Joey Peanuts), Rob Mainord (Myron Holt), Jim Meskimen (Doctor Farrel Emerson), Danielle Rayne (Marine Colonel Leah Siffler), Lauran September (Emma Thatcher), Pej Vahdat (Nigel Hakim)
Production Code: 16001
Summary: A month after Vance's kidnapping, Gibbs is assigned as acting director while the team searches his whereabouts.



Sloane had proven to be right about Nigel Hakim. He was in the fact a well-known terrorist known as Mashaun. Hakim managed to hide his real identity so well by pretending to be a philanthropist that was only acting out of the kindness out of his heart but the truth was he was a terrorist. He never allowed anyone to see his full face when he was "interrogating" people and so Sloane was only able to recognize him because of his voice. His voice was something she could never forget and that's why she knew she couldn't be wrong when she tried to warn the world that he was Mashaun. Sloane tried to tell her government and even his. They all thought she was coming undone

and no one took her seriously.

The one person that had been willing to at least look into it had been Director Vance. Vance had rescued Sloane from Mashaun's compound and he thought he had killed the terrorist however he was willing to investigate to at least know for sure and so that's why he hadn't hidden the part that he played. He let Hakim know that he had raided the building that killed some many of Hakim's family members and so Hakim decided to retaliate. He waited until he had been allowed to return to Europe and used that opportunity to escape the country with something valuable — Director Vance, himself. The man, of course, put up a fight and so Hakim decided to use Vance's daughter against him. He told the other man that he would kill Kayla and that made Vance stop fighting.

Vance let Hakim and Hakim's mother Zaiyema believe that he could be converted and all the way he planned a way of sending a message to Gibbs. Not that he needed to do much. Gibbs had realized what happened to Vance and he never stopped looking for him even as their government as well as British Government had offered their help. The Brits had felt bad about protecting Hakim because they thought he was just a philanthropist and so the Ambassador had wanted to do everything possible to help yet Sloane hadn't forgiven her and had actually been mistrustful because if the Ambassador hadn't intervened then Hakim would never have been cleared to leave the country. There's was just something about that, that stood out to Sloane.

Sloane had been upset with herself at it is because she thought she had followed Hakim when she first realized who he was and that she could have put an end to him without anyone else knowing though she really had a bit felling about that ambassador. The woman had defend Hakim too well and so Sloane watched her as the case with Director Vance unraveled. The boss hadn't been found overseas. He had been seen robbing the Great Virginia Bank with a group of men and that stunned everyone. They couldn't understand why he would do something like that until he turned out to be the face of new terrorist film. The terrorist cell later released a fil starring Vance and in it Vance said that there would be numerous attacks on the West for what they did to Afghanistan.

Then came the bombings. A few malls were bombed in the nearby region and so that raised the American terrorist level but it hadn't fazed Gibbs in the slightest. He knew there was no way Vance would be a part of that willing and so he watched the video again with Kasie. Kasie had taken over from Abby and she noticed that Vance only blinked five times during the video. He blinked on everything that spelled out his daughter's name and so Gibbs picked up on it. He raced to Kayla's school and he rescued the teenager right as an American born assassin tried to kill her. And so while Kayla was safe, the team still didn't have all the answers they needed. The dead assassin could offer them nothing and Sloane disappeared.

Sloane had gone over to the ambassador's house because she had been right about her. Ambassador Riggs had been the only one that knew that Vance had stolen gold bullions from the bank and the only way she could know that was if she had been in on it. So Sloane went to her house and done up her crazy bit. She pretended she had lost her mind and had even managed to give the Ambassador leverage because she had wanted to be taken, hostage. She knew that if she did she would be taken to wherever Vance was being kept and so Sloane played her part although not before telling Gibbs exactly what she was going do. The team had found out that Hakim wanted to hack the Pentagon and give himself a bunch of nukes. And so they were dealing with that while Sloane was slowly being moved to the offsite.

By the time they had dealt with stopping a nuclear fallout, they were able to use the tracker they planted on Sloane and rescue both her and Vance. They also got the chance to finally arrest Hakim. He thought he would be taken to an offsite where he'll be tortured and Sloane informed him differently. She said they were nothing like him and that he would get a cell, three meals a day, and that he'd be allowed to pray as well. Sloane said that was the difference between them because her side was the good guys.

It had taken Sloane years to recover the first time around but finally having closure would mean she'll be ready to put the past behind her.

Love Thy Neighbor

Season 16
Episode Number: 356
Season Episode: 2

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Writer: Scott Williams
Director: Terrence O'Hara
Show Stars: Mark Harmon (Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Sean Murray (I) (Special Agent Tim McGee), Maria Bello (Special Agent Jacqueline 'Jack' Slone), Brian Dietzen (Asst. M.E. Jimmy Palmer), Emily Wickersham (Agent Ellie Bishop), Wilmer Valderrama (Special Agent Nick Torres), David McCallum (Chief M.E. Donald "Ducky" Mallard), Rocky Carroll (Director Leon Vance), Diona Reasonover (Kasie Hines)
Guest Stars: Mann Alfonso (Edgar Fitz), Nick Alvarez (Jonny), Ellie Araiza (Sheila Mooney), Ben Bode (Dan Reynolds), Ralph Cole Jr. (Gary Clifford), Robin McDonald (Loni Braddish), David Pressman (Lewis Dacey), Zac Pullam (Mitch), Diona Reasonover (Kasie Hines), Lise Simms (Nancy Reynolds)
Production Code: 16002
Summary: When a navy lieutenant is found murdered in his hot tub, the team interviews his peculiar neighbors. In the meantime, Torres must face the consequences of a volatile night out with Palmer.



Some kids were just fooling around when they decided to tryout their neighbor's jacuzzi, but what happened they found was the body of Navy Lieutenant Davis Mooney.

Mooney was a decorated Navy official. He had only recently moved into the neighborhood after splitting up with his longtime wife and the neighborhood had had several problems. There was an attempted robbery at a neighbor's place when the homeowners had been out of town and so the neighborhood snoop had

been the one to call that in, however, NCIS believed Mooney must have been confronted the robbers. There were several things missing from the house and the place had been ransacked, so the working theory was that Mooney either came home early or had woken up to find his house in such a situation. The one thing that could help them figure out what happened would be the time on the death and unfortunately, the answer to that were skewed.

Mooney had had no one checking in on him. He had been killed and stuffed inside of the jacuzzi for days before he was found yet that jacuzzi had been on a timer. It had basically acted as a slow cooker and the remains had been turned into soup. Neither Palmer nor Ducky had been able to take the Mooney out of the jacuzzi and so they had to take the whole instead. They took it back to headquarters and worked with Kasie on trying to narrow down the time of death. As the team was doing that, the others began getting calls. The calls all came from the neighbors and so it seems the neighborhood had turned on themselves. There were some that were pointing fingers at others and then there were the neighbors that were blaming the victim.

The one guy that had done so had been upset because Mooney used to take out his trash all the time and had washed his car that he said it was suspicious. That had been it for Torres. Torres had tried to find actual information and listening to a man complaining about his

neighbors taking pride in their possession had been enough to get his back up. He had gotten into the man's face and had told him that maybe he should take pride in his possessions before he judged others. Torres noticed that the neighbor hadn't cut his own lawn or do anything to maintain the integrity of the neighborhood. The agent had gotten so upset that Gibbs had to step in and interfere. Gibbs felt Torres needed a moment to cool off and he asked Torres to watch over the body.

It had been a bogus assignment to get Torres away from potential witnesses and it meant Torres was there when Kasie found something. She found several flies that indicated that Mooney died recently and they found the cause of death. Mooney had been slashed with a box cutter and it matched the theory that had been going on while Torres had been sent away. The man returned to his desk to find out that Mooney had been writing a book. The book had been so important to Mooney that it caused the break in his marriage and so the team asked his ex-wife what the book was about. The book was about the serial killer known as "the Dentist". "The Dentist" had gone on to kill nine victims in the upper east side and he gained the nickname because he liked to take a tooth from each of the victims.

The serial killer was never caught and that had always stayed with Mooney because his cousin had been one of the victims, but there had been one suspect in the case and Mooney had apparently reached out to him. The suspect had said that everyone believed he killed the victims until one day Mooney had reached out and said he believed him because he found the real killer. Mooney claimed that the real killer lived nearby to him and that he was on his trail. So the team decided to look into everyone in the neighborhood only Torres wasn't allowed to help. Torres had gone out with Palmer to cool down because everyone's been noticing how short-fused he was and it turns out the two guys were later arrested for starting a brawl at a late night painting class. They had run into some jerks that had a problem with them being gay and so the guys had fought back.

The guys were thrown into jail for that and it had been Gibbs that bailed them out yet Gibbs hadn't been happy. He had wanted Torres to speak to Sloane and when he refused to do he was sent home. The team couldn't afford someone that was too much in his own head that he could cost them their case and so Torres was benched for this while the team realized they did have a suspect for the serial killer. They believed the killer was Dan Reynolds. It had been the Reynolds' place that had gotten broken into and the team believed that it had been Mooney that broke in. Mooney had a theory and it was confirmed after breaking it because he found a box full of teeth. The teeth had been enough for him to believe the serial killer was Dan Reynold and he had played it safe when he sent that box to his ex-wife for safekeeping.

The team had brought Dan in for questioning and they tried everything with Dan to get him to break. Nothing worked and Dan eventually agreed to lawyer up, so they thought they were going to be left with nothing until Kasie found something. She found a purple chip in the hot tub and it was actually nail polish. The team had been so busy believing that it was Dan Reynolds that they never suspected his wife. His wife had given up her serial killer ways when she started a family with her husband and upon realizing how much her new life was in jeopardy — she killed Mooney in the hopes of getting the teeth back and stopping the book. She found neither and it turns out that Mooney's ex-wife was going to finish his book for him. And so Nancy Reynolds still lost everything because now she'll be tried for what she did.

The team had been happy to close the case but they had felt sad about doing it without Torres. Torres would only later tell Bishop why he was so angry. He had apparently broken the glasses that Reeves had gifted him and so he was punishing himself for destroying the last thing he had of his friend.

That's all it was — he just missed his friend.

Boom

Season 16
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Season Episode: 3

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Guest Stars: Diona Reasonover (Kasie Hines), Tara Holt (Sheba Nicholas), Amielynn Abellera (Navy Lieutenant Kaitlyn Holcomb), Sharon Gardner (Physical Therapist Ava), Dionne Gipson (Mallory), Naomi Grace (Kayla Vance), Bo Kane (North Carolina State Trooper Wm. Forman), Rich Ceraulo Ko (North Carolina State Trooper Muncie Tyson), Kate Orsini (Isabel Monet), Cameron Radice (Petty Officer First Class Todd Nicholas), Kent Shocknek (Guy Ross), Zach Tinker (David West)
Production Code: 16004
Summary: The team investigates an explosion outside the home of a Navy petty officer and his wife, a popular reality TV star.



A couple of thieves were going around and stealing packages when they came across one package that turned out to be an explosive. The thieves had died almost instantly. Only the explosion had occurred outside of a Navy SEAL's home and so it still warranted an investigation. The first thing that was investigated was why the explosion happened and the agents found out that thieves had taken a package from the Navy personnel's home. The return address was the location of the Lincoln Memorial and so it was clear

that whoever tried to kill Petty Officer Todd Nicholas had taken additional steps to be not found however the naval officer had believed he knew who tried to kill him. He told Gibbs that he thought it was his wife. His wife Sheba Nicholas was a reality star. She was on the Real Wives of War and was known by her fans of being completely devoted to her husband Todd.

McGee watches the show and he believed Sheba could never hurt Todd, but they questioned the husband and he said he wanted to divorce her. Sheba changed into a completely different person after she joined the show and Todd said that's when he wanted out. He tried to ask for a divorce and she turned him down because she thought he would come after her real money. Then Todd thought he should convince her that he's having an affair and that's when she threatened to kill him. Sheba told him that she would cut off his genitals when he was asleep and watch him bleed out. Todd said that after that he hadn't known what to do and so that's why he thought she was trying to kill him.

Sheba, on the other hand, had thought it was laughable that anyone would think she was trying to kill her husband. She said she didn't know how to build a bomb and that her husband

was the one with all the training. He also knows that his wife likes to check mail and so Sheba said that he could have been trying to get rid of her. Either way, an explosive was mailed to their home and so the team looked outside the family. They investigated anyone that might have had a grudge against Todd or Sheba and they came across Leonard Finnick. Finnick was Sheba's most obsessed fan. He talked all the time about how they could be together if Todd was out of the way and so the team suspected he might have tried to kill Todd just to live out his fantasy.

The team went to Finnick's home and they found it decorated with images of Sheba. There was an even a cutout of Sheba that was laid out on the bed and so Finnick was creepy though he wasn't around when the agents came in and so they looked for him. Finnick was all over the place and while they were going down their list they found help from an unlikely source. Sheba had come with boxes of mail and gifts that Finnick had sent her. She said she didn't have much fans and that's why she cherishes each one that she does have. Like the stalker that threatens her husband! The team had later gotten a tip to act and they found Finnick with a package. The package hadn't been a bomb and so all it was just creepy. It was dreamscape of Finnick and Sheba with dolls.

There was also a doll for Todd and so Finnick was interviewed about that because his Todd doll was dead. The team had thought Finnick was so much their guy that they brought in Sloane to get an opinion on him and she had burst their bubble. She said that Finnick wasn't a real danger to anyone much less Todd and that's why Finnick lives out his dreams with his make-believe. Also, there was another bombing while Finnick had been in custody and the latest victim had nothing to do with Sheba or her reality show. The second victim was Patricia Everett and she was a divorced mother that nothing to do with the Nicholas family or the Navy. And so the team did as Gibbs suggested and looked into Todd's classmates at the Navy SEAL.

The classmates had also taken a class to build a bomb and while they were at it the team had also been instructed to look into whoever washed out because they failed their psyche exam. There had just been one person that had done both — David West. He had failed at the academy because the psychologist who was named Pat Everett had thought he was too unstable and so that's why he went after the mother. It had simply been one too many people with the same name. The team hadn't wanted to test their luck with David a third time and so they went to his home to arrest him only he started shooting at them. He was raining fire from his house out in the woods and was trying to kill everyone that stood in the way of him finishing his "work".

Except four agents were always going to get the drop on David. David was brought in and was refusing to answer questions though Director Vance decided to try his own hand at interrogating him because he read David's files. He began talking to him about what happened at the Academy and he got David to admit that both Todd and the psychologist deserved to die. He also noticed that David was checking his watch and he figured that another bomb had been mailed. So Vance leaned on David until he got David to all but admit that he wanted his new wife to pay because she left him after only four months of marriage. And so they got in touch with Gwen Easley before she decided to open her package and they got David thanks to this latest stunt.

Director Vance had felt proud for the part he played in David's arrest and he had worked up the courage to ask out the woman he met in Physical Therapy however not long after that woman said "yes" she went on to meet a shady man that has been following Vance since Vance was rescued.

Third Wheel

Season 16
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Season Episode: 4

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Guest Stars: Amielynn Abellera (Navy Lieutenant Kaitlyn Holcomb), Daryl C. Brown (Navy Commander Lovinder Prasad), Jill Czarnowski (NCIS Tech Susan Ottsley), Ian Gregory (FAA Security Specialist Horace Barnes), Bo Kane (North Carolina State Trooper William Forman), Rich Ceraulo Ko (North Carolina State Trooper Muncie Tyson), Don Lake (Navy Captain Phillip Brooks), Kate Orsini (FBI Special Agent Isabel Monet), Emily Rose (FBI Special Agent Anna Jenlowe), Joe Spano (Tobias Fornell)
Production Code: 16003
Summary: Gibbs' vacation at his remote cabin is interrupted by a surprise visit from friends and a call from NCIS about a robber hiding in the woods nearby.



Filling in as acting Director had been such a stressful job that Gibbs decided he needed a break. Gibbs had wanted to unwind. He took a whole week off and went to a cabin that he knew wasn't easily reachable, but despite his best efforts, his two best friends decided to come visit at the cabin and their definition of a visit was different to Gibbs. Gibbs thought they would say and then goodbye. Instead they both wanted to stay! Tobias Fornell was having his house fixed and Phil Brooks didn't necessarily have a rea-

son seeing as he just showed up intent on wanting to stay. Both men also thought they were Gibbs's best friend and had never heard of the other until they decided to show up at the cabin. And so together they were ruining what little vacation time Gibbs had managed to take for himself.

Meanwhile Gibbs's team were at least enjoying their vacation. They had relaxed certain codes at office with Gibbs not around to tell them turn down the music or put away their crossword puzzle. The team had been enjoying themselves so much that they weren't even disappointed when they got a case because they thought it was an easy one and that they could easily get through it. The case involved a thief. Someone robbed an armored truck in nowhere, North Carolina and had evaded local police by making into the Naval Airbase. The base were notified about the problem and they locked down everything yet before the order could get out they had accidentally allowed a plane to take off.

The plane was coming nearby and so NCIS had no problem with meeting the plane on the ground. They waited until everyone had deboarded and they asked the flight crew if they had

seen anything though no one did. They all said that there was no one else onboard and the lieutenant had been offended when the team chose to later search the plane themselves. Lt. Holcombe said that the federal agents were looking for flaws when they were none and she was she became overly aggressive when she was forced to defend herself as well as her crew when the team had found something. NCIS found blood in the cargo area and it eventually led them to a severed finger. And so there had been someone else on that flight.

They had the finger tested afterwards. It belonged to Franklin Poe and his name unfortunately meant the FBI had to get involved. It seems they had put Poe in federal protection program after he agreed to testify against his former crew and so an FBI agent had to be sent. Her name was Isabel Monet and she actually knew Sloane. The two were friends with something of a wild past and it made things uncomfortable for everyone else, only Monet was helpful, she had been on the case since the beginning. Monet was able to the others a little more background and she explained how Poe's former crew were responsible for heists. They were into bigger games than the armored truck and that had been three hundred and fifty thousand.

Poe had been forced to give all of that up when he went in Witness Protection. He handed over all his properties and his funds. Poe had been broke when the feds gave a minimum paying job and so that's why everyone believes Poe came out of retirement, but luckily Kasie was able to tell what happened after Poe made it on the aircraft. He parachuted out and Kasie knew he had landed in Brossard County. The name had sounded familiar to the others and so McGee told them how Gibbs's cabin was in that same county. He thought it best to warn Gibbs in case trouble was coming his way and what he didn't know was that Gibbs had been looking to get out of the cabin. Their boss and friend had heard what was happening and he decided to go look for their thief himself.

Gibbs had wanted to go it alone and it turns out his two best friends wouldn't even give him that. They decided to come along and help. They both using their tracking skills to find out where the parachute had been spotted and they had run into a woman as they were making their way. She said she was a camper and that she had seen the parachute not far off. The guys followed her directions and they found it. They also came across the money. They believed that Poe might have lost the money as he was parachuting down and so they knew that their suspect would still be around. He couldn't leave unless he had enough money to sent himself up again. And so they tried to make it through the forest only Phil was injured.

Phil had really hurt his leg and the guys had been dragging him along when they found a second parachute. The second one had still been attached to Poe and he died in the landing however a second parachute so close to the scene showed that there was a partner and so Gibbs left with Fornell to go looking for the woman. The same woman that had been so helpful before. The guys had left Phil on a stump to sober up and they went hunting for their second suspect. It was as they were looking that they heard a gunshot. They went back to Phil and found the woman holding him hostage. She said she just wanted the money and so after a slight tussle she took off with her bag of cash.

The guys were more worst off than before when they got back to the cabin yet they had run into Bishop and Torres. NCIS didn't find out until much later in their investigation that Monet had lied to them. She hadn't been the leading investigator and so Sloane got the truth out of her. She said the initial investigator had been Anna JenLowe. She left the FBI and eventually moved in with Poe, so the FBI believed she could have helped him with the heist and that's why they didn't want tell NCIS everything. They hadn't wanted the fact a former FBI agent had assist with armed robbery to get out! But with a suddenly truthful Monet on their hands, the NCIS team had gone to check on their boss and had seen for themselves that he was alright.

Gibbs had also gotten them a lead because he put Phil's fishing game in the money bag and so not only did they later catch up to Jenlowe — they also got to arrest her before the FBI took over their case.

Fragments

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Guest Stars: Cayden Boyd (First Lt. Danny Hall), Cameron Cowperthwaite (Young Marine Corporal Thomas Fletcher), Amaris Davidson (Olivia), Fred Dryer (Marine Master Sergeant Thomas Fletcher), Brett Gipson (Guard Sam), Demetrius Hodges (Young Marine Lance Corporal Ray Jennings), Steve Olson (Dylan), Charles Robinson (Ray Jennings), Dee Wallace (Claire Hall)
Production Code: 16005
Summary: A 50-year-old tape recording left by a murder victim is found, and the NCIS team tries to exonerate Ray Jennings, the Marine serving a life sentence for the crime.



An unsent letter shed some light on an old case. The letter had apparently gotten trapped behind a sorting system at the post office, however, no one knew about it and it wasn't found until forty-eight years later. The post office had gotten sold and the new owners were renovating it in order to turn into a vegan restaurant. It was the new owners that found this letter and they decided to deliver it to its intended recipient. Her name was Claire Hall and the letter was actually the lost recording from her husband. He had died back during

the Vietnam War and he chose to send recordings rather than letters back home. And so Claire had been happy to get this one final message from her husband until she played it and realized her husband killed himself.

First Lieutenant Daniel Hall had said he couldn't go on with the war. He was tired of having to fight and so he apologized to Claire because he didn't want her to go without answers, but all the recording did was confuse her because Claire had formerly believed that her husband was murdered. There had been an investigation at the time and NCIS had even found this alleged culprit. They arrested Daniel's friend Ray Jennings because everyone thought he turned on his Commanding Officer which hadn't been all that unusual back then. It also didn't help when Ray confessed to the crime. He pleaded guilty at his trial and so Claire had thought she had all the answers until she got the last recording.

Claire now believes that Ray was innocent and she took the recording to NCIS to clear his name. She got lucky when Gibbs had been the one to speak because he had heard her out and had asked for all the tapes. He wanted to piece together what happened to Daniel Hall and he

was willing to believe that the original NCIS was flawed. And that led him to question why Ray confessed. Gibbs had gotten his team to look into the investigation and he personally went to talk to Ray. Ray it seems had made his peace in prison and he reiterated to Gibbs that he had killed Hall. He said he was guilty and that was it. Some on the team didn't think they should keep looking if Ray was still confessing to his one crime and Gibbs chose to ignore her.

Gibbs wanted Claire to have answers and so he continued to look into this old crime. He had asked his people what they found and it hadn't been much because the initial case files had been moved. It took Torres a while to find them and unfortunately there was black mold on them. The most McGee could get was the witness testimony and the fact Ray changed his story. Ray first said he threw the grenade into Hall's hutch from a distance and then later he changed it by saying he was inside the hutch when he lit the grenade before running away. The team talked to the witness and it turns out he saw Ray running away from the hutch. He didn't see Ray throw the grenade and so he's not sure who caused the explosion.

The team went back to Ray. Ray had become so institutionalized that he was comfortable being in prison and had carved out a place for himself. He's been his commissary money since his arrest to start a library at the prison and now that library full of books in pristine condition. Ray was content with his life and he didn't want to reopen the case. He was happy to ignore Gibbs as long as he wants too just because Gibbs challenged his story and so Gibbs pushed him. He played the recording with Hall's voice and in it he was laughing with Ray over something trivial. It had moved Ray so much that he finally confessed to what happened that night. He had apparently blacked out. He had down a bottle of whiskey and didn't know what happened the night Hall.

Its why he changed his story to match the witness's testimony. He had blacked out a lot back then and he was still functional because after one blackout he found out that he had killed ten Vietnamese fighters.

All Ray knew was that he had been angry with his CO before he got drunk. He didn't know what really happened. The team also wouldn't know the truth until they exhumed Hall's body. They brought him up to the lab and they couldn't find anything thing that would significantly state whether he had been killed or committed suicide. What they did find was the plating on the recorder. He had been hugging it to his body when he died and in his last recording, he said that he would be holding his wife close to his chest at the end. The team believed that was proof enough he knew he was going to die and so they still had a few questions. Bishop knew that Ray didn't have family and so she wanted to know who was putting money in his commissary.

The money had seemingly come from Thomas Fletcher. Fletcher was the witness that said he saw Ray running from the hutch and so they brought him. If he thought Ray was guilty then why has he been supporting Ray for the last forty years? The answer was because he felt guilty. He lied about seeing Ray running from the hutch. He had seen Ray passed out moments before he saw Hall and Hall had been in his hutch alone when the explosion occurred. Fletcher had just lied because he wanted Ray to get sent home. He hadn't wanted to be around a black marine and for that, he decided to blame Ray for Hall's murder. And even Ray had believed his lie.

It was too late to charge Fletcher for lying, but the team was able to get Ray out of prison and he was there when they reburied Daniel Hall.

Beneath the Surface

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Guest Stars: Todd Anthony (Navy Lieutenant Connor Reese), DawnMarie Ferrara (Trucker #1), Kirk Fox (Rod Carmale), Marla Gibbs (Miss Brown), Suzanne Savoy (Rachel Brentwood), Scott William Winters (Westley Clark)
Production Code: 16006
Summary: At a Halloween crime scene, Torres recognizes the NCIS victim as a former friend from federal law enforcement training, and Jimmy thinks his lab may be haunted!



A couple of bodies were found at a gas station bathroom. One of them victims was identified as Petty Officer Tim Buckley. His wallet and ID card had still been on his persons and so identifying him hadn't been that difficult, but the second victim's wallet hadn't been found with anywhere near the scene. They had had to run his DNA to get his name and he was identified as Anderson Kohl. Kohl had gone to the Academy the same time as Torres and so Torres explained what he was like. He was apparently an ace

cadet because there was nothing he couldn't do if he put his mind to it and so him flunking out wasn't because he was a poor student. It happened because Kohl had had a problem with authority.

Torres also added that he soon lost contact with Kohl after Kohl flunked out. Therefore, he had no idea what happened to Kohl afterwards and that's where Bishop took over. She found out that Kohl didn't have a career on file nor were his taxes mentioning how he afforded his lavish lifestyle. Bishop and Torres went to Kohl's apartment and he was in a luxurious condo filled with expensive things. There was even a real dinosaur head in the condo and a bunch of expensive cars. The agents had thought some of the cars belonged to other tenants and it turns out there were all Kohl. Kohl also had a secret room in his condo and Bishop found money as well as several passports with different names though they all had Kohl's face on them.

Whatever Kohl was involved in was nefarious to say the least. Torres thought his former friend might have been involved in smuggling. It would explain the different sort of currency they found and the passports yet Gibbs told them if they didn't know then they should go out and look for evidence. The team tried to find out what Kohl was involved in and they ruled out everything. It wasn't smuggling and he hadn't been involved in with any Intelligence Agency. The team couldn't

figure out what he was and so they asked Kasie to look through his things. She later believed she came across his birthday list until she realized that his list coincided with trips out on the country and that someone always died.

The birthday list was in fact a hit list, Kohl was a hitman and once they figured out his list they knew what type of people he was being paid to kill. The victims were drug dealers, cartel members, and several of them had been in the mafia. The only one that hadn't seemed like the others was Jenny Wayfair. She was the girlfriend of a pawnshop owner and it was the boyfriend that was accused of racketeering as well as money laundering. He fit the victim type and so Jenny stood out. The team wondered if someone would want revenge for her and so they spoke to the boyfriend. He recently had bypass surgery and so he could never have snuck in that bathroom via a vent much less kill two trained men in their prime. And so the boyfriend was in the clear, but the team still had other avenues to pursue.

The found out who was selling guns to Kohl. The guy was a friend of Kohl's and he knew what Kohl did although finding out that Kohl was new. He had been so freaked out by it because he wanted to know if these people had his name and, when NCIS couldn't answer him, he decided to stop talking. He didn't believe that the team could keep him safe and so he only revealed what couldn't be connected to him. He told them that Kohl died because of someone he refused to kill. The team needed help figuring who this person was because they were still in danger and so they went back to an old source. They found out there had been a witness to Jenny's death and this witness revealed that someone told her to change her story. She said she was threatened by the son of Jenny's boyfriend.

The son was the one that was laundering money. He had been hiding it from everyone when Jenny found out and so he called a number that some of his contacts had given him. The son claimed that he thought Jenny was just going to be threatened to back off, only no one wanted to hear his excuses and so they asked for the name that went with the number. He gave the property manager. The same property manager that the team had met earlier. Rachel Brentwood had been the one that let them into Kohl's condo and the whole time she was actually Kohl's handler. She forced the team to kill her when they came to arrest her and so the team still hadn't found out who was the hit that Kohl turned down.

All they had from Brentwood before she died was that Kohl refused to kill military. Luckily, she had another burner phone in her apartment and there was a new kill list on it. It had Navy Lieutenant Connor Reese's name on it and the team secured him. They also were able to arrest their hitman and so the killing for hire business was shut down with the handler out of commission, but the team didn't know why the hitmen were going after the servicemen until they learned that he was on the jury of a drug trafficking case. The case has now been upgraded to attempted murder and so no one else would be putting a hit on Reese anytime soon.

The team handed were going to get answers from hitman before they hand him over to the CIA because the CIA had an ongoing case against this mysterious syndicate however they noticed that the CIA Officer sent to work with them was more interested in the team than he was in solving a case.

A Thousand Words

Season 16

Episode Number: 361

Season Episode: 7

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Writer: David J. North
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Guest Stars: Abbie Cobb (Melanie Keller), Ian Alda (Luke Green), Judith Moreland (Carrie Lewis), Jeryl Prescott (Annie Sullivan), David Paluck (Director Glenn Webb), Bill O'Neill (Zach), Luke Jones (Manny Barnes), Shel Bailey (Big Bouncer), Adam Kaiz (Telemarketer #1), Lisa Dring (Telemarketer #2)
Production Code: 16007
Summary: After a mural by a street artist and activist is stolen, the NCIS investigation leads to a conspiracy regarding a Navy contractor and the safety of ocean mammals.



The team was called after the National Armed Forces Credit Union reported a robbery. The thieves took a chunk out of the wall at the bank. Other than that there didn't appear to be any damage to the rest of the building and nothing had been stolen. The tellers checked their numbers several times and not a cent had been stolen however the former security guard had still been around despite getting fired and he tried to claim he foiled the robbery. Zach said his presence alone must have scared of the robbers and ev-

everyone took a good look at him. They all saw a skinny guy who wasn't paying attention when a piece of a wall was stolen and so no wonder he got fired from the bank.

Nevertheless, the team had been left with a mystery. They realized that if the thieves didn't go after the money then it must have been something else they were after. Like that piece of wall. It didn't make sense at first why anyone would steal a piece of the wall until they learned that someone went to great lengths to take it. There had been nothing important on it from the other side of the bank and so they investigated what could have been on the outside. The team turned to Kasie and she found evidence that there had been painting on the wall. Or as Kasie called it was "street art". She found samples of an expensive paint and that indicated the artist went to great lengths.

Kasie decided to look into any street art that was recently put for sale and she found something. She found an auction for a street art that had been taken out of a wall and it was going for at least a hundred grand. Kasie told Gibbs about where he could find the painting before it was sold and so he sent both Torres and Bishop. They pretended to be hipsters and eventually found the painting they were after. It was a picture of whales and it had been done by Ritz. Ritz

was a famous artist who put the code into his painting to alert people about the dangers going on in the environment. The pictures he created of the dolphins led to a website about donating to save the mammals.

It had been cool because neither Torres nor Bishop had ever seen anything like it although that didn't stop them from taking the painting into custody. It was evidence of a crime and the crime actually extended above and beyond the stolen wall. It seems their artist had not only put the bank in jeopardy with his stunt and that he created the painting in retaliation for what the US Fish and Wild Life Services did. The federal government had given a lot of money into saving endangered animals and some of that money didn't always go where it was supposed to. It actually went to funding big game hunting and, well, Ritz put the news on blast.

Ritz created a painting on the side of the building for US Fish and Wild Life Services that told everyone about how giraffes on a federal level because of corruption. He also put in a code in the painting that detailed emails he stole from the government and so he wanted for releasing classified information. Gibbs learned all of this after the fact and so he ordered his team to lean on the art auctioneer until they got a name. It took some persuading, only they got what they wanted and learned that Ritz's real name was Jared Clark. He had an expensive loft and after the team went there to arrest him — they found him dead.

Ritz had been murdered and whoever did it had spray painted him to make him look like another piece of art. The team figured it might have been personal and what they later found corroborated their theory. They eventually learned that all the places Ritz was telling people to donate towards were fakes. There was never any charity that Ritz was helping and instead it looks like he was just as corrupt as the people he stood against. He was a fake and any one of his adoring fans could have turned on him if they learned the truth. Kasie did some digging and she found one person that had followed everything Ritz did until one day she sent a lot of hate to him via social media.

The suspect was Melanie Keller. The team went to her home and she had tried to make a run for it by driving off in her car. Only that stops being effective when a certain someone stands in the way and so the team arrested Melanie. They showed her all the messages she sent to Ritz and asked why she hated the artist. She said she didn't hate Ritz because she was Ritz. Melanie created a painting just for Gibbs and Bishop to prove she was the real artist. She said she found out Jared Clark had been pretending to be her and that she was the one that was changing her code to steal from her fans. So she sent messages to him to back off.

The team asked Melanie if she killed Jared Clark and she swore she didn't. She instead believes it was one of the companies she was fighting against. Melanie led them to a company called Trebel. Trebel claimed it was cleaning up the ocean and what it was really doing was polluting it. Melanie found evidence of this and she was going to expose them. She believed that Trebel could have gone after Jared Clark believing he was Ritz and so she thought the team should go after this company. This company seemed to be the big bad wolf and the team checked into it. They checked the sonar machine that Trebel was using and they found it was rigged.

The machine was rigged to pass the naval exam they had to go through and after that, they raised the frequency, which was what repelled and even killed whales as well as other sea life. The real Ritz had been right all along and that meant her life was in danger because someone at the company was willing to kill Ritz to keep the secret. The team decided to let Ritz go while they further investigated the company and so Gibbs went to head to head with a CEO. He wanted to know if she knew about the faulty sonar and if she or someone else involved had looked into murdering Ritz to keep the secret. And what he learned was that the company had been in talks with Jared Clark.

It seems while Clark was still pretending to be Ritz, he and Trebel talked about what was happening to the sea life and they were apparently going to reach an agreement. So Trebel didn't actually have a motive. They thought they were dealing with Ritz and everything was above board. The only one that claimed that Trebel was the problem was Melanie/Ritz. She also left the building before anyone could stop her and so the team believed they had been right the first time to suspect Melanie. She left as she did showed that she was hiding something and Bishop thought she might find out the truth.

Bishop knew Ritz liked to hide things in her paintings and so she checked the latest one — the one that she created in their building to prove that she was in fact, Ritz. So Bishop checked the painting and she found a license plate number. It belonged to Brady Spencer who was a

senator that died not long after he found guilty of taking bribes and so they checked who might have his car nowadays. They found a former staff member of the late senator and it turns out he now works as a telemarketer. He took quite a fall from grace when the senator lost everything and he blamed it on Ritz who exposed them.

The team later arrested their guy, but they still wanted to know why Ritz led them on a goose chase. Ritz had bonded with Bishop and so Bishop waited for Ritz to reach out. When she did, she said that Jared Clark thought she was following him and had sent her the license plate number as proof. Only she knew that wasn't her car and so she withheld that from NCIS because she wanted them to look into Trebel. It was more important to her that they stop the sonar that was killing animals than it was for them to find Jared Clark's actual killer.

Ritz ended up apologizing except Bishop knew she wasn't truly sorry.

Friendly Fire

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Guest Stars: Jason Gerhardt (Marine Colonel Jonah Park), Shea Buckner (Xavier Blackburn), Cybus Bobak (Aazar Atwa), Rif Hutton (Marine General Phillip Braxton), Joe Nieves (Justin Kinneman), JT Neal (Dean), Taylor Blackwell (Trista), Alex Ball (Navy Senior Chief Richard Granger)
Production Code: 16008
Summary: McGee and Bishop travel to Afghanistan after a murder case in the states is linked to a string of soldiers killed by friendly fire overseas.



A couple of volunteers found a dead sailor floating in the waterways. The body had been too foregone to get any fingerprints. The victim had to be identified by his uniform at the time of death and the team counted themselves luckily when they traced it back to Senior Chief Richard Granger. Granger worked at the Defense Logistics Agency. He would have been reported missing if he ever so much went a day without calling in, however, there was no missing persons report next to his name and the victim they had was dead

for at least a week. It didn't match up and someone called the DLA to ask about Granger and they had been surprised to learn that they were actually talking to Granger. The real Granger was just as confused as NCIS as to why someone would impersonate him and he claimed to have never seen the victim before.

The team asked him how their guy could have gotten his hands on Granger's gear and he told them that his apartment had been burglarized a few weeks back. He said that they took a few of his things and that he hadn't thought it was a big deal, but learning that someone died while wearing his uniform had made him concerned for his own life. Granger wanted to know if he was safe and the team had no reason to believe he was in danger. They think their killer must have known their victim and so they worked on identifying the body they had in custody. They ran a facial recognition on him and it revealed that the victim's real name was Wesley Moore. He was a freelance engineer and had a brief stint with the Marines before he flunked out during training.

The team investigated Moore and they learned that he used Granger's badge to access some files on the military database. They didn't want he was going to do with them though they did know he was in frequent contact with Captain Alicia Voit of the Marines and that she died around the same time she did. She had been killed overseas by enemy fire and her body was being flown back in the next couple of hours. Voit's remains would be in town for a few hours before she was

moved to her final resting place and so the team knew they had to stop that transportation. It went against Gibbs's code to stand in the way of a Marine's burial and he only did it because he believed Voit's murder could be connected to Moore's.

Moore had accessed the files of several dead marines that died overseas and he had no reason to do it for himself. The team believed he did it for Voit because Voit suspected something. She asked Moore to get those files because she didn't think she could go through proper channels and so the team needed to know what she was looking for as well as why she may have been killed for it. The team took ownership over her remains when she touched down in the states and they took back to Palmer because they wanted his verification that it was an enemy fire that killed her. Voit was hiding something from the people she worked with and the team were afraid it was because she couldn't trust anyone in the Marines

The team had Palmer take a look at Voit's remains, but they weren't idle while they waited for results. They thought the best way to get answers was to send some of them to Afghanistan and so Gibbs decided to send McGee and Bishop. They needed to be on the ground as they retraced Voit's final moments and not long after landing they were given a golden opportunity. They were told the terrorist that allegedly killed Voit was about to be captured and that he would be transferred to the base. The team had a chance to question him about the events of that day and they were waiting for it when they heard back from Palmer and Ducky. The guys could perform an autopsy on Voit because her body had already been processed and so they reviewed the official record of her autopsy.

Voit had taken two gunshots to the chest when she killed four insurgents and was brought low by taking the fatal gunshot to the head. She died a hero yet her escort was getting antsy about getting her to New Jersey. He said that the team's questions had been answered already and so he didn't know why they were holding onto Voit. Only Gibbs had gotten special permission to hold onto Voit and that made the escort back down. He had been in a rush to get Voit's remains out of there and so Gibbs suspected there was a story there. Gibbs wanted to know why the colonel that was escorting Voit was taken the issue so personally and therefore he looked into it. And he found out the escort had volunteered.

The Colonel had been the one to sing up Voit. She needed something to believe and the Colonel had given her that, so that's why the Colonel was taking her death hard. He blamed himself for what happened to her and that meant he wasn't connected to what actually killed Voit. Her killer had been captured and the team had been able to speak to him. The terrorist claimed to have information. He said that he had been working with an American and that's how he knew where Voit's convo would be though he wanted a deal before he said anything else and that's something the Americans were never going to agree to. They don't make deals with terrorists and so they chose instead to threaten him.

Azar Atwa was told he would be sent to Guantanamo and that all his new friends would know that he sold them out if he didn't tell NCIS what they wanted to know. They guaranteed him protective custody and so he was going to name the American traitor, but a sniper got to him first. Atwa had been murdered on base and his killer had taken a shot at him from the mountains. There was no way to track him down and so the agents chose to look for the mole that mentioned Atwa had been taken into custody. The team in Afghanistan were looking for their spy while the team back in the states found out who attacked Moore. Moore was killed by Xavier Blackburn who had been let go from a private military contractor because of his temper issues.

It turns out Blackburn had been promised his job back if he took care of Moore and he thought Moore was the traitor.

Blackburn had been lied to by the second-in-command to the General in Afghanistan. When they arrested him, he said that he assisted the Taliban because there was no point to the war and that soon the Taliban would recapture everything the Americans fought for.

So it seems to be a waste that this was Ducky's last case. He wanted to retire and believed Palmer could fully run the department without him.

Tailing Angie

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Guest Stars: James MacDonald (Navy Admiral Norton Padgett), Cassi Thomson (Angie Gray), Jeff Pierre (Lew Nolte), Miriam A. Hyman (Lanny Peete), Patrick W. Day (Phil Iverson), Susan Angelo (Admiral's Wife), Harvey B. Jackson (Pedestrian)
Production Code: 16009
Summary: After the lead suspect of an unsolved high-profile robbery case is released from prison, the team resumes their investigation with an undercover stakeout.



A home security system picked out a couple of thieves, who had broken into the home of Admiral Norton Padgett and stole several important documents. The documents were worth thousands, but as the security system led to the identification and later arrest of Angie Gray, she refused to say whatever happened to those documents nor she did name her accomplice. She chose to protect her partner and went to jail for three years. Angie was released after her sentence and the team thought they had finally gotten their

chance to find out the name of the accomplice.

NCIS planned on following Angie until they got what they needed, however, Angie was giving them a run for their money. They followed her from the prison to a brand new apartment she rented and they noticed something that was off. They noticed that there was someone else that following Angie. It was an older guy and he was carrying a weapon. He wasn't part of Angie's known acquaintances and so they did some digging. They found the man following her was a Private Detective. He was hired to follow Angie and the team had a suspicion about who was behind it. They suspected that the Admiral had taken things into his own hands.

Admiral Padgett was a wealthy man. His wife had a trust fund and it allowed the couple to live a lavish lifestyle, so eventually, Padgett got used to doing this his way. He had tried to insert himself into the investigation three years ago when Angie was first arrested and he demanded to be included into the current one as well because he wanted to know how far the team had gotten. Every effort was being made to respect Padgett's position and so of course he was would use that against them. The team thought he was following Angie because he wanted to get answers out of her using his own methods and therefore they had been surprised when the PI acted a little off.

The PI had gone into Angie's room the same time as she died and he left moments after she did. It would have been nearly impossible for her to not see him and so the NCIS agents wanted

to know what happened in that room. They had questions though they also didn't want to risk their cover. They still wanted to follow Angie to see who she met and they identified one of her friends. The friend was Lanny Peete. She had served time with Angie and the two stayed close after they had both been released. This Lanny woman was the only one that had maintained a presence in Angie's life and so they brought her in to question her.

They asked Lanny about Angie. Angie was described as a good person who's the only mistake was to fall for guys that always disappointed her. It was how Angie got into trouble. She apparently met a guy named J.T. who promised to wait for her and then ran away at the first opportunity. He was the reason Angie never said anything and so Lanny didn't care what happened to him. She shared what she knew with NCIS and, while it wasn't much, it was still something. The team went back to following Angie and they got the PI off her back. Gibbs had gone to speak with the other man to find out who hired him and the PI refused to say.

He said he wanted to maintain his client's privacy. He also wasn't going to fall for whatever trap that Gibbs tried to drop in and so Gibbs just kept him talking until Angie got away. The team needed where she would go and they didn't want the PI ruining things. They followed Angie as she met up with Lanny and the two women went on to travel to a cabin miles away from anything. The agents following them would have waited in their car without being seen, but they heard Angie's scream and so they had to go in. They wanted to check out the scene and were just as shocked as Angie when they found a body.

The body had been old. It could have been there for years without anyone knowing and so the team believed, like Angie, that the body was J.T. The body was moved to the lab yet the team thought they had a lead. They had been tracking Angie's phone calls and she called Lew Nolte. Nolte had worked for the admiral and he had been a suspect as well in the robbery. The team thought that Nolte was an "inside man" because he was the only one that would have known that both the housekeeper and the cook were off that night. They had also questioned Nolte and he had denied all of the charges. He said he had nothing to do with the robbery back then and fast-forward to the present and he was still claiming innocence.

Nolte claimed he had never met Angie and that he didn't know who J.T. was or had anything to do with the body the team found. The others had been forced to let Nolte go only that didn't stop them from trying to find proof that connected Nolte to the crime and so they figured their best bet would be to identify the body. The body was later proven to be John Storevelle. His picture was shown to Angie and she said that was her boyfriend J.T. She also said that she knew that her boyfriend would never have run away and it turns out that he did. He took the money and went to the islands. He lived it up down there and blew through the money.

JT had been broke when he came back to the states and started talking odd jobs. The team believed he could have tried looking for another place to rob when he got killed and so they asked Angie about Nolte. Only Nolte was just a name to Angie. She said she got desperate when she couldn't reach JT and that she called Nolte because she remembered hearing that he was a suspect. She thought that Nolte could lead her to JT and the truth was he might not even have anything to do with the crime. And another thing the team learned was that the PI was, in fact, working for Admiral Padgett.

It was a confirmation to the team and it got McGee thinking. He said that the whole situation felt like 'Murder on the Orient Express'. He said they had plenty of suspects and couldn't figure out who did the crime because they all had good motives. The book and eventually movie revealed that all the suspects had killed the victim together and so that led to the team forming a plan. They brought in Angie and told her what they knew, and then they asked her for help. She wasn't protecting anyone by keeping quiet anymore and so she was willing to help. Angie went to Nolte's apartment wearing a wire and she found out everything.

She threatened him and it got Nolte talking. He had been working with JT and the guys had split the money, but then Nolte had found pictures of the admiral that would have ended his lucrative marriage and so he chose to blackmail him. JT didn't see the benefit of that until he ran out of money and needed more. He came back and he demanded a cut of the blackmail money. JT thought he was owed it and so Nolte killed him in order to keep all of the money to himself.

Nolte confessed to everything over the wire and so the team was finally able to arrest him for the part he played in the robbery as well as the blackmail and JT's murder.

And Angie finally realized that she did waste three years protecting that just wasn't worth it.

What Child is This?

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Guest Stars: Kirk Bovill (Richard Sims), Karole Foreman (Lydia Miles), Sammi Hanratty (Young Woman), Ele Keats (Judy Shaw), Marsha Kramer (Old Woman), Niko Nicotera (Albert Leary AKA Vicious), Matt Nolan (Paul Spencer), Dan O'Connor (Richard Sims), Rahnuna Panthaky (Neera Kapoor), Bee-Be Smith (Volunteer), Michael Turner Tucker (Jerome Murray), John Wesley (Chaplain Samuel Kemp)
Production Code: 16010
Summary: The team's holiday plans are put on hold after the murder investigation of a Navy veteran includes the discovery of a newborn baby with no identification.



A dead vet usually wasn't the team jurisdiction. It was more the Metro PD's territory however they had been swamped over the holidays and so they couldn't take on another case. They had to give it to NCIS. NCIS technically investigated matters that included the military and the victim was once in the Navy. Jerome Murray had retired some years back and he used his free time to volunteer. He was actually volunteering at a soup kitchen that served the homeless and had stopped some people who wanted to ruin

the holidays for everyone. There had been this one drug dealer who was shopping his own wares at the shelter and so Murray kept throwing him out. And so that could be the reason behind someone stabbing Murray from behind.

The team went to the soup kitchen and they found out all about this drug dealer. He went by the name Vicious and so the team found him using his street name. He apparently lived by himself and so when then the team invited themselves — they weren't prepared to hear someone else in the other room. They tried asking Vicious who else was there and Vicious answered by pulling a gun. He pulled a weapon and demanded that they leave him alone but that couldn't happen and so eventually Vicious fired the gun. Things were over quickly once he did that and Vicious was killed instantly. So the team no longer had anyone standing in their way! They went to the bedroom, opened the door to see who was behind it, and they found a baby.

It was a baby boy. He looked like he was still a newborn and so everyone thought that the baby was Vicious's. Only they couldn't find any paperwork on the baby. Vicious hadn't gone to a hospital and there were no signs of a mother being around. It appeared as if the baby came out

of thin air! There wasn't even anything around to indicate what's name is. The team thought that maybe if they reached out to Vicious's lawyer that maybe they could get answers and according to the lawyer there was no girlfriend and no kids in the picture. The baby came out of nowhere and so the team had a theory. They tested the baby's DNA against that of Vicious's and they found out that he wasn't the father.

The baby was most likely stolen! Bishop and Torres had heard that Children Protection Services were overrun this time of year and so they decided to watch the baby because they figured they could find the biological parents soon, but it turns out there weren't Amber Alerts matching their baby. Of the thousands of kids that had been kidnapped, none of them were newborns! The baby was never reported missing and so the team tried to figure why that was. They went back to the homeless shelter to ask around and they found out that Murray had witnessed a crime. He talked about going to the cops because he had seen something involving Vicious and so they followed that clue back to the EZ Mart in Annadale.

Murray reportedly witnessed a crime there and so they viewed hours of security footage until they found what they were looking. They found Vicious buying a baby from a crying mother. Her face and car were shown in the footage. Her name is Tanya Jacobs and she was seventeen. She didn't have any real address and had been staying at a motel when the team tracked her down. They were going to ask her about her baby and so she tried to run. She made as far as to the car when she was stopped and her drugs, as well as her needle, fell out of her handbag. Tanya denied that the drugs were hers and the team told her they believed her because they wanted to get Tanya to open up. And that was something they needed if they were going to ask her about her baby.

It took Tanya some time yet she soon got to talking. She said her parents kicked her out when she got pregnant and that the baby's father then ran off. Tanya was alone and desperate. She turned to drugs to cope and only got cleaned thanks to the adoption agency. The agency had found the perfect adopting couple who paid for rehab and doctor visits. Its what allowed Tanya to give birth to a healthy baby boy and she had been set to hand over the baby to the Shaws when she heard she could make ten grand. Vicious used to her drug dealer and he offered her ten grand for the baby. He said that he lined up a lawyer to adopt it and so Tanya told the Shaws that she had changed her mind. She claimed that she was going to keep the baby when the truth was she was going to sell it.

Then she heard about what happened to Vicious and she had been freaking out. So the team told her that her baby had been found an that he was okay. Tanya had been so happy to hear this that she actually thought it was a sign. She said that maybe she could keep her baby because she had money now and so Sloane and Gibbs talked her out of that. They told her what she needed was to get clean and be healthy. Her baby needed more than what she could provide and so Tanya ultimately decided to give him up. He was sent to the Shaws and they were so happy to finally adopted him that thought it was a miracle.

Meanwhile, the lawyer that had lied to a federal agency and tried to buy a baby was going to face some serious time.

Toil and Trouble

Season 16

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Guest Stars: Diona Reasonover (Kasie Hines), Mitch Pileggi (Wynn Crawford), Chance Denman (Best Man), Kimberly Hidalgo (Maid of Honor), Kasey Mahaffy (Dr. Patton Hartgrave), Kent Shocknek (Guy Ross), Lauren Sweetser (Macy Grant), Katherine Von Till (Pamela Juventas)
Production Code: 16011
Summary: The Secretary of Defense shuts down Gibbs' murder investigation and demands that McGee and Torres be arrested for their actions in the case.



Special Agent Torres attended a conference called "Optics in Law Enforcement". He hadn't wanted to go to this conference and had been ordered to do it by a more senior agent. McGee was the one that was supposed to go and, while he made Torres go in his place, he couldn't stop Torres from lashing or continue on with the conference with everyone believing he was McGee. So everyone at this conference thought Torres was McGee and they thought it was rude of McGee when he took phone calls in the middle of the conference.

It turns out Torres had used the phone calls to claim that he had a sick child and so he was going to party with Bishop when they both heard a scream. The scream came from some bridesmaid that was hooking up with a groomsman and those two saw something.

What they saw was a conference room full of bodies on slabs. It had looked like the worst buffet ever and neither Torres nor Bishop were amused with what they found. The agents called it the crime scene and that's what it became, but it seems they spoke too soon because the bodies were medically cadavers and so hotel manager demanded that her hotel be set to rights. She said that she had paperwork for all twenty bodies and that's when Torres and Bishop said that they counted twenty-one. There had been twenty-one bodies in the conference room and only one of them didn't have a tag or any footprint detailing where he came from. The body of the unknown man was taken to the morgue where they found out he was also lacking lungs to go with that missing name of his.

The team didn't know anything about their victim or how he died, but they knew it wasn't from natural causes and so they tested everything. They tested his blood and his cause of death revealed to be poisoned. He died from chlorine poison which had been outlawed at the Geneva Convention and was last used during nearly a hundred years ago. The team had no idea how the

victim came into contact with it and so they turned to Kasie for answers. She had taken over for Abby and was proving to be really great at her job. Kasie later informed the team that chemical weapons had been stockpiled during the Cold War and that even with peace several countries still had access to it.

The United States was one of them. It was going to a long time and a lot of money to divest itself of all the illegal chemical weapons, so the US had hired companies to deal with it and the victim worked at one of them. The victim was identified, Keenan Grant. Grant had some low-level job and so the company said that he was never around chlorine weapons or any weapons for that matter. Only Grant's supervisor Dr. Patton Hartgrave was sure Grant couldn't have gotten sick from his job. He and the company's owner said that they had fazed out chlorine weapons and that there weren't any left on the premises. And they also that any other questions would need to get past the Pentagon because the company has several contracts the Department of Defense.

The team and Gibbs especially had thought that maybe the company wasn't being honest with them and so they tried to go around them. They went to the Secretary of Defense and they asked Secretary Crawford for his assistance on getting information on the company as well as the CEO thought they were turned down. The SecDef said that the team didn't have enough evidence to gain access to the files they had on the company and he demanded that they stop looking into the company altogether. The team had been ordered to stand down and they realize they couldn't do that until they found out what happened to Grant. Grant had been murdered and so the team thought the least they could do was hack the company's records.

They had gotten video of Hartgrave logging in and so they used that to hack the chemical company's servers. They got security footage of Hartgrave getting in the van with Grant and Grant driving off. So the team brought in Hartgrave even though they had been ordered to stop their investigation and so Secretary Crawford came to their office. He wanted to arrest the whole of NCIS for disobeying orders, but they talked him down using what they had learned. They learned that Hartgrave had lied to them and they brought him where he was interrogated. The man was sick from chlorine poisoning himself and he told the team that he was dying. Hartgrave claimed that he was dying for a good cause and they eventually got his motives. He admitted that he used some of the chemicals that were being stored rather than destroyed and that he handed them to Freedom Fighters.

Hartgrave said that the chemicals were on their way to Syria. He believed that his contribution would help take down Assad and so the team informed how easy it would be for some group on Isis to steal those weapons. They created a fake broadcast in which Hartgrave thought chemical weapons had been used on innocent people and that broke through his martyrdom. He gave them the information they needed to track down the weapons and so the team was able to stop a terrorist attack. They also found out that Trine Chemicals hadn't destroyed the chlorine weapons like they said they did because they considered it to be expensive and just want to save a little money.

And so the team got Secretary Crawford to back down by telling him that they knew he was an investor in Trine Chemicals and that he was a close friend to the CEO.

Crawford denied any wrongdoing and had even apologized because he said he hadn't been worried about his investment or his friend, but after he told NCIS they weren't in trouble anymore, he contacted the CIA agent that was looking into Director Vance for Intel.

The Last Link

Season 16

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Guest Stars: Dabney Coleman (Army Corporal John Sydney), Sam Littlefield (Oliver Sherry), Lisa Maley (NCIS Probationary Agent Anna Ventura), Rochelle Robinson (Megan Boone)
Production Code: 16012
Summary: An old family friend beseeches Gibbs to join him on a road trip to search for a missing military I.D. bracelet.



An old friend came to see Gibbs. Gibbs was in the middle of an investigation and didn't have time for distractions. Which was probably why he was short with Corporal John Sydney. Sydney had been a friend of Gibbs's father and he came to see Gibbs because another old friend had passed away. The deceased was Leroy Jethro Moore and Gibbs was named after him, but he didn't need Sydney to tell him the news because he had already heard it from Moore's son. Gibbs also didn't feel the need to thank Sydney for making the

trip and instead he chose to shuffle the older man quickly out of the building.

Gibbs didn't really have fond memories of Sydney and so he had been happy to see the back of him. But then his case took an odd turn. Gibbs and his team were investigating notorious drug dealer Michael Deegan because Deegan had hired a hitman to kill Lt. Johnson and the hitman failed. "Peaches" missed his target and was arrested for the attempted murder. The team used that to their advantage and they helped stage the murder of Johnson in exchange for getting Peaches to wear a wire. It all supposed to be simple. Peaches were going to go to Deegan and demand the rest of the money for carrying out the job. And that's how the team was supposed to get Deegan on tape.

Deegan has never been caught with anything else and so getting his admission that he was willing to pay would have been enough to send him to prison for life. All the plan needed to be was Peaches and he agreed to play his part. He put on the wire and he went to the bar to meet with Deegan, but of course, the plan didn't go as they all hoped it would. Peaches had demanded payment and Deegan claimed to have no knowledge of what Peaches was talking about. Peaches again brought out the doctored photos of a dead Johnson to prove that he did the job he was ordered to do and Deegan denied all knowledge of this "hit".

Peaches left the bar after that and said that someone Deegan must have found out that he was wearing a wire. He claimed he hadn't tipped off Deegan and that he had no idea how the

other man knew, but Deegan definitely knew. He was aware that Peaches was wearing a wire and so Peaches asked for protection. He said that Deegan would come after him if he wasn't protected and so the team didn't know what to do. They had monitored Peaches and he couldn't have gotten the word out. They also had Johnson under twenty-four surveillance and so they decided to keep the fact that Johnson was alive a secret for a little while longer.

The team had tried to backup Peaches' story. They went to Deegan as NCIS Agents and questioned Deegan whether or not he hired Peaches to kill Lt. Johnson, but Deegan denied hiring anyone and he didn't seem to be believing that Johnson was dead. It turns out Deegan knew that Johnson was still alive. Johnson hadn't left his cell phone behind like he was asked to and someone he was tracked down to his hotel where he was murdered. His food had been poisoned with a harsher byproduct of fentanyl and the substance was actually a lot more dangerous. Everyone that came in contact with the body or even the food had to take an Emergency Shower.

The team had gotten a sketch of what the false deliveryman looked like and they found him in security footage outside of the hotel, but they had to go ahead with their investigation with Gibbs. Gibbs had talked to Sydney again and Sydney said why he really came to see Gibbs. Gibbs's father, Sydney, and Moore had all served in WWII together. They were part of a larger group from their hometown that went and serves. So Sydney said that it had been twelve of them that came back and now it was just him that was still alive. Sydney said that he made a promise to his friends that the last man standing would collect all of their military ID bracelets. And Sydney needed help.

Sydney got the bracelets from some of the men and he needed the one that Gibbs wore. Gibbs hadn't been sure if he wanted to hand over the bracelet but he agreed to do it and he said that he helped get the rest of the bracelets as well. He left with Sydney and as they traveled together they got to talking. Gibbs revealed that the reason he didn't want to Sydney was that he had been upset. He had been upset that Sydney had been part of his life and then disappeared one day. Sydney hadn't wanted to go and he admitted as much. He said that he had been a heavy drinker and that Gibbs's mother kicked him because she blamed him for her husband's drinking.

Both men had been messed up by the war and so Sydney didn't want help when it was offered but was willing to go with Gibbs's mother demanded it because the woman was just trying to do what was right by her family. She got Sydney out of the picture and eventually, the family stopped talking about him. Gibbs remembered what it was like to have an uncle one day and for him to disappear into the next without any kind of explanation. But knowing that didn't go as he thought it did had helped. Gibbs came to forgive his Uncle Sydney for leaving and he helped him to track down the remaining bracelets as his team tried to close their case.

They traced the hitman back to a vending machine. It was a special vending machine that would drop candy containers filled with drugs if someone put three hundred dollars into the machine at once. By the time Gibbs returned, the team had even named the hitman. His name is Oliver Sherry and he agreed to talk for protection. He said that he killed Johnson because there had been a mistake. The machine had malfunctioned when Johnson tried to use it and instead of candy it had given him three hundred dollars. Johnson had felt so bad about it that he called the 800 number on the side of the machine to hand back the money and he had also wanted to know what happened.

Johnson was fed some story that the drug dealer knew wouldn't hold up and so that's why they decided to kill him. After Johnson died, it was Sherry's job to go clean out all of the machines and it led to him being caught. So he didn't care what happened. He said he wanted protection and it wasn't from Deegan. Deegan actually works for Peaches and that's why the sting didn't work. Peaches were the big boss and he used his cover story to escape an attempted murder charge. And he thought he got away with it but, with Sherry's testimony, they got him for his drug business as well as for the murder of Lt. Johnson.

And with Peaches and his people behind bars, Gibbs decided he should get to know his Uncle Sydney again.

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Season Episode: 13

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Guest Stars: Sunnie Pelant (Lily Burke), Tim Lounibos (Detective Paul Atwood), Tess Elliot (Morgan Burke), Matt Lasky (Robert Hill), Christian Barber (Marine Staff Sergeant Chet Zimmerman), Deepti Gupta (Doctor Conrad)
Production Code: 16014
Summary: After a malnourished and confused 9-year-old is found hiding in a storage unit, the team reopens an old missing persons case that Special Agent Ziva David had a personal interest in.



The episode starts with Kasie giving gifts to everyone. She doesn't bother remembering birthdays. Instead, she picks a random day of the year and gets people their birthday gifts then.

It's smart and she certainly gives good gifts, listening in to the things people say in passing. Well, that is it seems like she does until it comes to Torres, who gets an empty jar. You just know there's going to be a story there.

We don't get to find out what that story is right away, though. Gibbs has a case. A young girl has been found in a storage unit and this girl will only talk to Bishop. Lilly lives in a basement, has never been

outside until now, and doesn't know what a coat is.

It doesn't take long to find out that Lilly's mom is still a prisoner in this locked basement. DNA from Lilly tells NCIS that the mom is a senior recruit, Morgan, who went missing 10 years ago. The case had been passed over to the local sheriff's office because Morgan hadn't been sworn in and her case wasn't technically NCIS jurisdiction.

The local office had found Morgan's case over a cliff with a charred body and contaminated DNA. The office decided to rule the case a suicide. It was something that ate at Gibbs and definitely something that ate at another member of the team. Yes, Ziva David was all over this.

Despite handing off the case, Ziva kept going with it. Gibbs and Palmer both knew she did. What they didn't know was that Ziva had an office she rented (a small hut at the back of someone's house) and all her journals are there. Ziva documented everything personal about a case, getting out the feelings.

From Ziva's continued search for Morgan, Bishop learns about Morgan's boyfriend. Ziva figured out that the boyfriend had never taken Morgan, so moved on with her search. However, now

that the boyfriend is involved again, he gets to meet his daughter Lilly, who Lilly has viewed as Superman.

The case had been personal for Ziva, just like so many others. She needed to figure out who did it but that's what Gibbs is angry about. When Bishop brings it up, Gibbs states Rule 10: Never get personally involved on a case.

Sure, Gibbs takes cases personally but he can also step away when needed. People who get too involved end up killed, just like Ziva. Seeing that Bishop is getting involved, he sends her home. By the end, Gibbs realizes that Bishop was right and the rule is wrong.

While Bishop deals with the personal aspect of the case, McGee, Torres, and Kasie go in search of the mattress that Lilly had hidden in to get out of the house. Morgan had told her germaphobe captor, Robert, (who had killed his own brother after Lilly escaped) that the mattress was full of bedbugs and he took the mattress to the dump.

Kasie finds bird poop on the bottom of the mattress, which helps to narrow the search. That search is narrowed further when the local sheriff's office finally examines the remains from the car from 10 years ago and finds chemicals from a crematorium that Robert had worked at.

Sure enough, the team finds the basement but it's too late. Robert has taken Morgan.

Bishop is the one who finds them at Robert's uncle's house. Just as it looks like Morgan won't be saved, the team manage it and Robert is arrested. It's here that Torres realizes what his jar (which Kasie confirms he never asked for but he needs it) is for. He stores some of the lake water that Bishop and Morgan had gone into.

That's when Bishop heads out to see Robert at the hospital. She wants to read a letter to him that Morgan's mother had dictated to Ziva before her death. However, Robert has already heard it. A woman had taken the letter from Ziva's notebook and read it in the hospital.

Bishop takes a trip back to the office space Ziva had rented. Sure enough, the coat and scarf that Ziva had left hanging were now on the desk and chair. There was a note for Bishop, asking Bishop not to give away her secret to keep her family safe.

Once Upon A Tim

Season 16
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Season Episode: 14

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Guest Stars: Stephen Full (Mister Lewis), Matthew Glave (Navy Commander John McGee), Margo Harshman (Delilah Fielding), John Hartmann (DOD IG Inspector Richard Sullivan), Charles Tyler Kinder (Young McGee), Sammi-Jack Martincak (Young Chloe Crane), Audrey Moore (Chloe Crane)
Production Code: 16013
Summary: McGee reluctantly visits his former high school after the unique computer password he used as a teenager is linked to the murder of a department of defense contractor.



The team was being audited. It seems their spending was out of control and so someone was brought in to go over their books. Dick Sullivan wanted to know everything. He wanted to know when was the last time anyone cut costs around the office and he had even asked McGee about an old computer. It was the first computer that McGee ever built. He told the auditor that it was a personal computer and still, the man wanted paperwork before he let it go, but then the team got the call and so they all took the chance to get out of there. They were called to the scene of a murdered Navy

contractor named Edward Kane and the victim had something in his pocket that belonged to McGee.

Kane had a notebook in his pocket. Then pages had been ripped out and so it had been blank for the most part, but there were indentations of McGee's first computer password still on it. McGee hadn't used that password since high school. He last used went his family was stationed in Hampstead and he hadn't been there that long. McGee also didn't know who Kane was before he reported to the scene. He had never met the man and they hadn't gone to school together. McGee said he remembered everyone from that time and he didn't recall Kane. He recalls when he first put the computer together because it had created a blackout, he recalled his friend who was both a girl and a friend, and he remembered the horrible high school teacher.

McGee had to run into that teacher again when he went back to high school. He and Torres learned that Kane tried contacting the place and so they were hoping to run into someone that could remember what Kane wanted to talk about, but that same horrible teacher was useless.

He was the guy that told McGee not to go into writing because he wasn't any good at it and so that had discouraged McGee right before he left. It took him years to return to writing and once he did he went on to write two bestsellers. So McGee had the last laugh. Not that meant much to the teacher who didn't remember him and claimed no one has called the school asking about a student from twenty years ago.

McGee knew that whatever was going on had something to do with his computer and so when he went home that night he decided to get running again. He worked on it and he had just turned on when he was contacted. He didn't know who else would be using such an outdated messaging system, but the person wrote to him and asked him if he was alone. He claimed he was because he wanted to see what this person had to say and so he had been lured out in the hallway where he was supposed to get a package. He went out there and found nothing. His wife, on the other hand, screamed from their apartment and so McGee came back to find someone robbing him. He killed the intruder and it turns out he killed Kane's killer.

The man McGee killed was Braxton Ballard. The guy had a long rap sheet and it had been his DNA found on Kane, but why the fascination with McGee? The team searched through Ballard's belongings and they found a drawing of McGee's computer. It seems Ballard had been hired to steal the computer and to kill Kane because Kane sniffing around. Except the team didn't know who hired Ballard and the only lead they had was a wonky computer. McGee asked Kasie to look at it and she said the computer kept trying to connect to some virus. She showed McGee an image of the virus and McGee recognized it instantly. He wrote the virus back in 1994 to attack the Department of Defense.

McGee's father the admiral had been strict on him. He thought the Navy would make McGee into a man and that McGee would put all things he loves away. Like tap dancing! McGee saved up all summer to buy tap shoes and his father burned them as some sort of lesson. It had angered a teenage McGee so much that he wrote the virus, but he had never used it and so doesn't know who would have access to it. He thought it could have been his old science teacher Mr. Lewis and it hadn't been. The man was guilty of an illegal gambling ring and that's it. It's why Lewis lied about the phone call from Kane because he didn't want anyone looking into him and so with the truth out there he decided to tell the truth.

Kane had called Mr. Lewis because he wanted to know an old IP address from the 1994 computer class. The man remembered it and he handed it over to McGee. McGee recognized it as well because it belonged to Chloe Greene, his first love. She had been there when he created the virus and she had been upset when McGee was being forced into the Naval Academy. It also explains why the code has been running since 1994 when they last saw each other. She probably ran the code in revenge and then forgot all about it but McGee was the only one that didn't think she was up to anything nefarious. The rest of the team believed that Chloe was a cyberterrorist and so they went looking for her.

Chloe hadn't been seen at her job or her apartment. She did though say a hidden message to McGee that said "SOS" and it had location marks next to it. So the team later found Chloe tied up in an RV. Chloe, as it turns out, had run the virus back in the day and she had tweaked it. She siphoned money out of the DOD and it was going to be put in a holding account. Only she didn't think it worked and so she forgot about it until one day she was kidnapped. Her kidnappers realized that the virus had been running for over twenty-five years and that it held millions. Kane found out about through it his job and told his boss. His boss then killed him in order to keep the money for himself and so the team discovered they weren't under audit after all.

Dick Sullivan just wanted the chance to steal McGee's old computer because only that exact computer could state where the money went.

And so the team got to arrest the man that's been harassing them for days.

Crossing the Line

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Guest Stars: Cedric Begley (Blake), Griffin Freeman (P.O. Eric Brown), Chaunsi Heatley (Sailor #1), Steven Krueger (Andrew Townsley), Ashley Liao (Hayley), Jennifer May (Navy Chief #2), Charles Remley III (Navy Chief #1), Sloane Morgan Siegel (Max Girard), Alec Taylor (Navy Sailor), Sean Patrick Thomas (Ian Rackham), Teri Wyble (Kendra Allston)
Production Code: 16015
Summary: The team investigate a fatal man overboard case at sea; Torres is assigned to mentor three high school students.



A few teenagers won the chance to mentor with the NCIS by writing powerful essays, but they didn't think that as a part of their prize they would have to spend time with Special Agent Torres. Torres didn't sign up for it and he sure as hell didn't want to do it. He had been forced into the job by Director Vance himself. The director thought Torres needed structure as well as punishment for showing up late for work and so he took him with the kids. The same kids that were supposed to mentor with

the likes of McGee or Bishop and unfortunately they weren't there. The team had gotten called out to the scene on a Navy ship.

There was a tradition in the Navy in which the newbies went through a hazing. There was a bunch of them going through one on the ship when they noticed a man overboard and pulled Petty Officer Special Class Kendrick Allston out of the water. The rest of the crew had jumped in after Allston and to their dismay, there was no need to resuscitate him. Allston was dead. What was odd was the circumstances surrounding his death because it looked suspicious. Allston was a search and rescue swimmer. He's trained to jump off a ship and survive meaning he shouldn't have drowned, but the bump at the back of the head could perhaps provide an explanation.

The team investigated whether someone had attacked Allston. He was at the top of his class and was in the running of possibly becoming admiral one day. There was no reason why anyone should have a problem with him yet the team suspected that someone must have been angry enough to smash in the back of his head. They had asked Palmer to do a full autopsy and what he later found had been odd as well. Palmer found out that the cause of death was a heart attack. He said Allston experienced a heart attack at a relatively young age and so he asked Kasie to find out what could have lead to this supposed heart attack.

Kasie actually went on to find drugs in Allston's system. He took something called a trishot which was a mixture of drugs and it also didn't sound like the sailor. Allston was considered to be a straight shooter. He always did the right thing and he would never have taken drugs. His CO said it and even his sister said it. His sister said Allston wasn't universally liked because he wasn't afraid to report his fellow sailor if that other person was doing something he wasn't supposed to and the team found out that was true. They learned that Allston reported on one guy for taking drugs and that the guy was thrown out of the Navy.

The team talked to him and he claimed it hadn't been that bad. The guy smoked a joint in South America and had claimed that he could have done much worse but didn't. The former serviceman didn't see what he did as wrong and he laughed when he heard someone had probably drugged Allston. Only the team's chief suspect was on land when Allston had been murdered at sea. The team either needed to prove their guy had a friend drug Allston or look for another suspect and so they considered other suspects. Bishop had stayed on the ship with the CO and she was asking him more questions about Allston when they heard the sirens.

Another man had gone overboard and it turns out he suffered from an overdose of trishot as well. The odds of two men od'ing in the exact same way and on the same day was just too high to consider it coincidental. The second man had had his room tossed and the drugs he had in his system was found in his energy drinks. It was the same drinks that everyone else on the ship took to stay awake and alert. It could have been added to Allston's drinks and that's how it got into his system, but the team remembered that Allston and the latest victim shared a room. And every drink in the joint room that the men shared had been affected.

The roommate was woken up and interrogated about the drinks, but he said that they were originally Allston's. Allston received them in a care package from his sister and hadn't liked the taste. He thought it was disgusting and had handed them over to his roommate who had enjoyed them. Then when he almost died, he figured out what happened to Allston and informed NCIS. NCIS later found out that Allston's sister worked with a manufacturer of the energy drinks and that she used her job as a cover for drug dealing. She hadn't meant to send her brother drinks that would kill him. It had been an accident and once she sent the wrong package it had been too late to tell her brother why he couldn't drink those specific ones.

And so Allston's sister killed him accidentally. She didn't mean it and now she'll face life in prison, but once her case was concluded, Torres took the time to really show around the teenagers and introduce them to life as an NCIS Agent.

One of the kids was the son of the late Agent Gerard and he and Torres actually bonded in the short time they knew each other.

Bears and Cubs

Season 16

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Guest Stars: Robert Wagner (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.), Larry Miller (Ed Slater), Ping Wu (Peter Liu), Stephen Caffrey (Kevin Braddish), Jacob Zachar (Stevie Slater), Connie Jackson (Elaine), E-Kan Soong (Kenneth Dent), Alexandra Bokyun Chun (Phyllis Wu), Cecile Cubilo (Cosette), Shea Vaughan-Gabor (Jen), Jason Marrs (Joe), François Chau (Henry Deng), Brandon Irvin (Special Agent Suplisky), Dylan Mattina (Mysterious Pedestrian)
Production Code: 16016
Summary: Jimmy is torn between family and work after his father-in-law asks him to tamper with evidence from the team's current murder investigation.



A couple hiking came across a mauled body. The body was that of Petty Officer Third Class Logan Braddish and it appeared that he had been attacked by an animal, but the only thing big enough to fit the description would be a black bear and they usually don't attack humans. In fact, most animals tend to shy away from human activity unless provoked and so the team tried to piece together if maybe the petty officer disturbed a bear with its cubs. Such a situation would mean the bear felt her cubs were under threat and would try to protect the only way they understand — which was to attack. It would

at least explain the vicious way the petty officer died. He had claw marks all over his face as well as body and there was a claw found in one of his wounds. And so that could have easily broken off during a bear attack.

Palmer had wanted to be sure and so he brought the body back to his lab. He took a few samples that he wanted Kasie to run and he was going over the body again when he received a surprise visit. His father-in-law Ed said he was in the neighborhood and thought he should stop by. It was unusual for him to stop by that and so Palmer tried to ignore it at first. He was still going over the body when he noticed one of the claw marks looked like a knife wound, but that's when Ed spoke up. Ed begged Palmer to claim the knife wound was a bear attack and so Palmer covered for him. He told Gibbs that it still looked like a bear attack and he pretended that it was until he got the chance to talk to Ed alone.

Ed owed him an explanation and Palmer wasn't going to let it go until he knew why he was covering up a murder. So he waited and finally, Ed began to be honest with him. It turns out

that Ed has a gambling fetish. He liked to bet big money and he recently lost fifty thousand at an illegal gambling game. Ed said he tried to work out a payment plan and that the guy he owes didn't want money. He instead wanted Ed as an undertaker to cover up a murder. It was up to Ed to fake a bear attack on the body of the young man and the cleaner didn't want this body to be traced back to him. It was a massive coverup and Ed had done a reasonable job, but he overlooked certain mistakes that Palmer picked up on and unfortunately Palmer had already alerted others about the discrepancies.

Palmer's samples to Kasie came back clean of bear saliva. She knew that no bear could attack someone so cleanly and so she turned to a returning Ducky for help. Ducky came back from his tour early and he wanted to be useful. He tried to assist with the autopsy and after being turned down by Palmer he figured he could work with Kasie. The two of them were bound to figure out what was going on and so Palmer started to panic. He went to Ed about what they could do and they thought they had a plan because Ed knew old man DiNozzo. DiNozzo was known to Palmer and he asked his friend's father for help. DiNozzo said that he could come through for the guys, but Ed hadn't been entirely truthful with either of them.

Ed forgot to mention that the cleaner has his son Stevie. Stevie was being hostage somewhere and Ed wasn't going to get his son back until the matter was solved with the dead navy officer. To make things worse, it had been Ed's idea to make the death look like a bear attack. His actual orders had been to cremate the body and so Ed was the one that had this outlandish idea to fear a rare occurrence with a bear. It was also revealed that Ed was horrible at poker. He had so many tells that it had been easy to defeat him and that's why no one understood why eh kept raising the bet when all knew he had a defeating hand. Ed has been nothing but a big pain in the neck since he came to see Palmer and so Palmer finally had enough.

Palmer stopped Gibbs from informing Braddish's family that he died from a bear attack. He didn't want the family to believe in the lie and so he came out with the truth. Palmer told Gibbs everything and all that Gibbs asked for was honesty going forward. It was going to be some time before Gibbs could trust Palmer without question, but they both had to make things right for the victim and so NCIS went to go arrest this dry cleaner. They went to his place of business and found the cleaner dead. He had been murdered and there was no sign of Stevie. Stevie even seemed like a good suspect and so Gibbs interrogated Ed with Palmer's help. The two of them got Ed to admit that he had lied again.

It had been Stevie with the gambling problem. He had lost over two hundred grand and Ed thought he could cover the debt by betting big at a different game, but Ed was a horrible player and so he did was make their debt worse. Neither he nor his son knew what to do until they were approached by someone that claimed they would rid them of debt in exchange for a favor. This guy who identified himself as Kenny was really Keung Deng. He was from a wealthy family back in Singapore and he liked to party hard. He got kicked out of school when he was arrested several times for disorderly conduct and since then he's disappeared off the map. The last time he showed up he had a dead petty officer in the boot of his car that he wanted Ed to get rid of.

Ed was supposed to cremate the body and he didn't because he thought a young man like that must have family that deserved to know he died. But Ed was still in trouble for what he did and that says nothing of Stevie. Stevie was still missing and the team believed Deng had him. They tried to find Deng and were told he skipped town because he owed everyone money. Deng it seems had been financially cut off and that sounded like his father was aware of how much trouble he was in. It was the same father that willing to sneak Deng out of the country and so the team had Ed speak to the man's father. As one father to another, Ed was able to make Mr. Deng see that shielding their adult children means they'll never grow up or face the consequences of their actions.

The location of Deng was handed over to NCIS and they were able to rescue Stevie, but the two fathers involved in the matter both realized that now was the time for their children to finally grow up.

And tonight Ducky told Gibbs that it was time for Palmer to become the Chief Medical Examiner because Palmer deserved it and Ducky felt it was time to retire.

Silent Service

Season 16

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Guest Stars: Matthew Bellows (Navy Captain Reginald Barkley), Arlene Santana (Constance Shaw), Megan Gallagher (Under Secretary of the Navy Jennifer Leo), Tommy Walker (PO 1st Class Justin Hardy), Michele Boyd (Chief Petty Officer Emily Ross), Ransford Doherty (Petty Officer Second Class Zachary Harper), Tracy Howe (Culinary Specialist Brian Kale), James Ferris (Lieutenant Commander Gregory Pullman), Ethan Flower (Fire Chief Alfonso Romero), Josh Trant (Chief of the Watch), Mark Fite (Walter Miller), Mylan Janoplis (Master Chief P.O. Todd Orlando)
Production Code: 16017
Summary: Vance is notified by the Pentagon that the nuclear submarine Gibbs and Bishop are aboard to conduct a murder investigation has gone radio silent.



A sailor died in the North Atlantic Sea. US Navy SEAL Petty Officer Robert White was participating in a routine dive when the men and his women on his team noticed that he wasn't moving. They dragged White's body back onto the submarine and tried to revive him, but it was already too late. White pronounced dead and his death warranted an investigation. NCIS was asked to work this case at the last minute and it cut into their time with Ducky. Ducky was retiring. Everyone had wanted to be there for the doctor's last

day and they hated how a case came in the way of that. Palmer needed to remove the body from the ship and carry it back to the lab. And both Gibbs and Bishop had to stay behind to carry out interviews.

There was a slight drawback to Bishop to staying on the ship. She has this fear about drowning and so she had tried to get the interviews over with as fast as possible. Only the ship began submerging while they were still onboard. Both Bishop and Gibbs knew that the ship wasn't allowed to do that as they were investigating a murder and that made them question the decision of the USS Memphis's captain. The COO was risking their lives and they demanded an explanation. They asked the captain what was happening, and he said something vague about receiving direct orders. The submarine had an order that demanded they dive and that meant they weren't going up to the surface anytime soon.

The captain thought that would be that with the agents and it wasn't. They still had people to interview and they demanded that they continue to do their jobs, but the captain said that his people shouldn't be kept from their jobs. He said as long as they didn't get in anyone's way that they could do as they wanted and if they interfered then he threatened to shoot them out of a cannon. The captain was solely focused on his orders and there was no reasoning with him. The NICS agents did their best to stay out of his way and they went ahead with interviewing everyone that went on that dive. They spoke to two divers and both said that they didn't see or hear anything suspicious. They also thought White's death was accidental until Gibbs received a message from Kasie.

Kasie managed to send the message before the dive and so that's how they agents learned that White was murdered. Someone tampered with his overpressure valve on his oxygen tank. It couldn't have been accidental either because wire deliberately cut and so both Gibbs and Bishop were trapped on a sub with a murderer. They asked one of the divers about that because they had a file detailing how White and he had bad blood, but it was anything serious. The two men fought about who was the best Spiderman and they were both wrongs because the best Spiderman is clearly Tom Holland. At least according to Bishop and so she was willing to stop looking at White's fellow diver as a suspect.

Gibbs tried informing the captain about their recent findings, but he had been quick to dismiss what he said because he claimed he had to focus on their orders and so that's when NCIS had enough. They asked the second-in-charge what these orders were and they were told that the submarine was asked to prepare itself for war. Neither Gibbs nor Bishop knew who they were at war with and they were concerned. They thought it was a little too convenient how the sub was preparing for war right after White's murder and so they questioned if the two events were connected. They received a tip about there being something that White had wanted to show his peers and so they searched White's room until they found it.

They found a book on the ship's electrical engineering. There wasn't a reason for someone like White to have this book and so they traced it back to the kitchen staff. They talked to the cook who said he received orders from the COB Shaw. The COB then claimed that she asked White to get the book because she couldn't be seen having it. She had some questions because she saw the man that handles the weapons behind an electrical panel one day and wanted to know what he was doing, but she didn't want to make the connection between that event and White's murder. She said she didn't say anything because she knew her crew and the man they were questioning had been her friend for fifteen years.

Weapons Officer Justin Hardy was important to the COB Shaw and so she had two federal agents locked up, but then they got out of their prison and made their ways to the bridge. They believe that Hardy was involved in something nefarious and that he had to kill White to cover what he was really doing. The only thing that could make sense to the two seasoned agents was what if the war hadn't been declared. Orders like that would take some time to pass to the submarine and so it was odd that everything was happening so quickly. The agents accused Hardy of faking the orders and declared that he murdered White. They didn't have any evidence to corroborate their take on the situation and so they got pretty lucky with their team up on the surface.

The team was warned that a nuclear submarine had disappeared off the map and that they weren't taking orders, but they were able to trace this mystery back to Walter Miller. Miller was an engineer that became a hermit seemingly overnight and it happened once he started going on and on about the war should be taken to Russia. This guy was sending false messages to the submarine and stalling the real ones from ever reaching the ship. So it was a good thing when Torres and McGee found him. They were able to send in real orders and got the submarine to stand down. They even threw in the part how they weren't really at war so that told the captain that the agents had a point. He couldn't trust his Weapons Officer.

The captain also asked that the agents kindly escort Hardy off the ship and as he was being carted away the man began sprouting about how there was a war coming one day whether anyone was willing to admit. It seems he went into a depression when he lost his whole family in a car accident and being in a vulnerable position made him susceptible to a man like Miller.

Mona Lisa

Season 16

Episode Number: 372

Season Episode: 18

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Guest Stars: Dionne Gipson (Mallory), Adam J. Harrington (Coast Guard Commander Sam Hendrix), Tania Nolan (Civilian Employee Nena Easterling), Aaron O'Connell (Jordan Peralta), Scott William Winters (Westley Clark)
Production Code: 16018
Summary: After Torres wakes up on a dilapidated fishing boat covered in blood, the team helps him piece together the last 12 hours.



Torres wasn't at work. Everyone assumed he was running late until they shared stories and realized that something was off. It wasn't unusual for Torres to forget something, but to forget he was meeting McGee for breakfast and Bishop to go over paperwork didn't sound like him. He even missed a call from Gibbs and never tried calling his boss back. It had worried the team enough that they pinged Torres's phone and it revealed his location in Virginia Beach. Torres was later found on a boat with no memory of how he got

there. He had a headache and was found half-dressed. He was asked if he had gone out partying or had a few drinks and Torres said "no".

Torres gave up drinking a while ago. He could see that he was developing a problem with drowning his problems in a bottle and so he was taking a break. The most he does nowadays was hit the gym and that was the last he remembered. He had gone to his regular gym for his usual routine with his trainer and that was it. Torres couldn't recall anything else and his team was desperate for answers because blood had been found on his shirt. It wasn't his and he got a loan from McGee, but all the unanswered questions were starting to get to Torres. He wanted to know what happened to him. He let Palmer take his blood and then against doctor's orders he decided to help with the investigation.

Torres went to his old gym where he ran into Gibbs and Bishop. They had talked to his trainer who said he was running late that day and that he called Torres to tell him to get started without him, but the man said that Torres had seemed like self and that's why he had been surprised to find out that Torres hadn't waited for him. He got to the gym and Torres was gone. He also didn't answer any of the man's phone calls and so the team knew that something must have happened after the call, but they didn't know what it was until they asked Torres if he still had keys to his motorcycle and he tried beeping his "Betty".

His motorcycle was making an odd noise and the reason it was doing that was that it was thrown into the dumpster. It was smashed up and found near the body of a dead woman. The woman was identified as Jessica Ho. She was known to drug user and she wasn't even a member at the gym. She had gotten a day pass which she used on the night Torres disappeared. Torres had never met Jessica before and so he didn't know why she was killed or why she had been found with his motorcycle. He was beginning to get desperate about finding out what happened to him when Kasie finally had answers.

Kasie told Torres that he had been roofied. Someone drugged him and that's why he couldn't remember anything but why him? Torres wasn't an easy target and so why go after someone like him? Also, things grew odder with the case because the ship that Torres was found on was a ghost ship. It was considered to be lost at sea. His owners that it sunk and then the owners disappeared. They could be traced back to a shell company that was created for the purpose this one fishing boat and so they asked someone in the know like Commander Sam Hendrix about this boat. He said that no descript fishing boats were used for smuggling because the people behind it realized that the faster and flashier boats drew unwanted attention.

Kasie was also asked to go over this boat once they realized it was most likely a smuggler ship. She was going to run a chemical analysis to see what was being smuggled and as she was doing this the rest of the team were asking Torres some uncomfortable questions. It seems there was a surveillance camera of him leaving with Jessica. She was smiling and flirting with him, but despite that Torres knew he would never kill a woman. He had his team keep looking and they eventually found out that he hadn't gone off willing with Jessica. Jessica was the one that drugged him. She also bribed his trainer to show up late for his session with Torres and so that's when she was able to corner Torres alone.

Jessica drugged Torres and lured him to the garage where she probably handed him over to her conspirators, but then she was killed once she became a liability and no one knows what happened to Torres next. He turned to Kasie for answers and she revealed that what she found on the boat concluded that it was being used to smuggle diamonds. The company that had owned it had triggered a memory for Torres and he realized he knew Brueger Marine Lines. He had worked a joint task force mission with the Coast Guard to take down smugglers and he had thought the case was over. And it wasn't because five years later it was just now coming to court.

The Coast Guard still had the diamonds they collected when they shut down Brueger, but when NCIS went to go check on the contraband they found it gone. It had been checked out by Torres and so the team finally figured out why he was needed. He was needed because his eyes were the only ones that could have opened the vault and so Torres thought he had personally gone to the building. He hadn't. He was instead drugged with something to make his eyes huge and then someone took a picture of it to open the vault. The team searched for their culprit and they found her. She was the secretary to Commander Hendrix and she was trying to keep her hands clean until she could sell the diamonds back to Brueger.

Nena Easterling had hidden the diamonds in Hendrix's shark tank and she was arrested the second the diamonds were recovered.

She tried to make her excuses but what she did to Torres wasn't going to win her any friends.

Torres had been happy to have his name clear and so he was just sad it came at the cost of his relationship with Bishop because neither was going to forget her mistrust so soon.

Director Vance also caught his "girlfriend" meeting with the CIA and so he demanded answers from Officer Wesley Clark. Clark admitted to spying on Vance but he said that he did it because he had to be sure of the director. He wanted to know if Vance could be trusted with information about a secret account and the reason why he had to test Vance was that this secret account that held millions belonged to Vance's boss — the Secretary of Defense.

Perennial

Season 16

Episode Number: 373

Season Episode: 19

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Guest Stars: Jennifer Carta (Navy Captain Veronica Crawford), Sam Daly (Virginia St. PD Officer Dale Moseby), Kyle Grossmeyer (Young Man), Kate Hamilton (Faith Tolliver), Roopashree Jeevaji (Dr. Jeevaji), Merrick McCartha (Dr. Eugene Pierce), Brian McNamara (Noah Sykes), Brian Oblak (MPD Cop #1), Elayn J. Taylor (Odette Malone), Charlotte Evelyn Williams (Nurse #1)
Production Code: 16019
Summary: The team searches for an active shooter following a lockdown at a naval hospital.



There was an active shooter at the hospital. This means that under normal circumstances it would have been up to local police and later maybe even the FBI to deal with, but this case came to NCIS because it was a naval hospital and needed to be handled in house. The team was in charge of apprehending the shooter. He was identified as being Caucasian and wearing all black. The rest of the descriptions tended to vary according to the many witnesses and so the team focused on what they could. They checked the

grounds to see in which direction the shooter fled and they thought that Sloane could help them create a profile. They reached out to her and asked her to help and she turned them down. She said she had to recuse herself from the case and didn't go much into detail over why.

The team tried to understand, but Gibbs had someone look into everyone that was at the hospital and one name came across that Gibbs instantly knew was connected to Sloane. It was the name, Faith Tolliver. She was Sloane's biological daughter and she was put up for adoption. She has never met Sloane and Sloane was hoping not to run into her. She just came by the hospital to check if her daughter was the only casualty and she wasn't. It was actually another woman by the name of Diana Sanchez that died and so Gibbs wasn't going to intervene or force Sloane to see her daughter if she didn't have to accept the case soon took a turn. They checked security cameras and the only person that got a good look at the shooter's face was Faith. Faith saw him right before she went into surgery with a patient and she stayed in the OR until the surgery was over with.

In other words, she was locked away when the shooter went on his rampage and he had no chance of getting to her. So Faith needed to be brought in. It came as a shock to Sloane and

she still wanted to distance herself. She told Gibbs that she didn't want to be in the room when he was questioning Faith but she had so many things she wanted him to remember when he interviews someone that recently went through trauma and so she eventually had to be in the room. Sloane saw Faith and got to shake her hand. She also went easy on her. Perhaps too easy because she was focused more on making Faith comfortable than she was on catching the shooter and so Gibbs found himself playing bad cop to Sloane's good cop. Sloane told Faith that she didn't remember when it wasn't her fault and Gibbs told her to at least try to create a sketch of the shooter because she might remember more over time.

It seems that extra push yielded a good enough sketch that the team had a suspect. They were told the sketched looked like eighteen-year-old Evan Sykes. Sykes lived with his dad and luckily the older man was found alive, but Sykes wasn't at the house and to make things worse he also restocked his gun before he left. The team found the empty ammunition box and therefore they knew he wasn't done yet. He was going to shoot up another place and so they checked his laptop. There was just one problem. The laptop has a virus on it and that makes everything he looked or wrote seem like gibberish. Kasie had to attack the virus and see what it's one it before the team could act. And so it took a while before Kasie uncyphered it to reveal that Sykes had been looking at an elementary school near the hospital.

The team put extra around the school and they brought in Sykes's father to get a grasp on his mindset. They wanted to know why Sykes was doing all of this, but his father couldn't help them. He said that he doesn't know his son anymore and that things changed between them when they lost Christopher. Christopher was the older brother and he had been a marine. He has also had a problem with drinking and driving because he killed a whole family while intoxicated. Christopher was sentenced to years in prison and this had been hard on Sykes. Sykes blames the Marines because he thought that they should have advocated for a lighter sentence in Christopher's case and so that's why he was last seen wearing his brother's uniform. He wanted to blame the world for what happened with Christopher because he refused to admit it was his brother's own fault.

Christopher ruined his own life and now Sykes has gone and done the same thing, but their father knew nothing and he wasn't much help. The last part truly frustrated Torres because Torres couldn't believe the gall of this family. They kept thinking about what happened to Christopher and they didn't spare a thought to what happened to his victims. Torres lashed out before he knew it and he warned by Gibbs that he needed to calm down. The team had to look on their own for why Sykes was targeting these places and they couldn't figure it on their own. They tried everything and nothing clicked until they talked to Officer Moseby. Moseby was an off-duty cop when he went to have pancakes with his wife who works at the hospital. The two of them were just enjoying their breakfast when the shooting happened and unfortunately, Mosbey was injured but he was able to return fire.

Moseby shot Sykes in the arm and its what forced the teenager to flee the scene, but the teen didn't go to the elementary school and so the team figured he was too badly injured when Mosbey came out of surgery and gave evidence. He had never heard of the name Sykes except there was a connection. Sykes had gone to that hospital intending to kill Mosbey. It hadn't been some random shooting and it was actually a coordinated hit. Mosbey had been the first responder on the scene when Christopher killed that family and because they were all dead it had been left to Mosbey to make an impact statement at Christopher's trial. Christopher was coming up for probation and Sykes didn't want Moseby to ruin it for his brother. He followed Mosbey and saw that his best shot at him was either when he was with his kids or his wife and he chose the latter.

Mosbey also didn't make the connection because Christopher has a different last name. The team was advised by Sloane that if they took what they found to Sykes's father that the man would give up his son and she had been right. This was truly a family matter and the team had to get them to turn on each other for their own good. The man told them which motel his son was staying in and they found Sykes there, but there was also a moment in which Torres wanted Sykes to grab for his gun because he wanted to kill him and he eventually let it go because he knew to live would be so much worse for him. Sykes hadn't cared about anyone else besides his brother and he was willing to kill a bunch of random and innocent people if it got him what he wanted. And now both he and his brother will never know freedom again.

Hail & Farewell

Season 16

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Season Episode: 20

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Guest Stars: Garrett M. Brown (Retired Marine General James Wallace), Doug Savant (Marine Brigadier General Daniel Kent), Erin Cummings (Marine Major Ellen Wallace), J.J. Hawkins (DOD Cyber Engineer Taylor Southard), Andrew Bilgore (Franklin Morrison), Cassandra Creech (Amy Tano), J. Teddy Garces (Omar Lewis), Danielle Demski (ZNN Newscaster)
Production Code: 16020
Summary: The team investigates the murder of a Marine Major believed to have been killed in the 9/11 attack on the Pentagon after human remains are discovered at a construction site.



A construction crew found human remains at their work site. The site was being turned into luxury condos and it had been a vacant lot for years beforehand, but the crew knew they needed to call it in and they made sure to contact the right people when they noticed the uniform the victim had been wearing. It had been a Marine's uniform. The uniform and the dentals that were taken at the scene proved that the body was that of Marine Major Ellen Wallace. Wallace reportedly killed on 9/11 during the attack on the Pentagon. She worked in the building and disappeared that very same

day. No one thought anything of it because there were plenty of bodies that haven't been found yet and so no one questioned Wallace's disappearance.

Wallace even received extra attention from the media because she was the daughter of retired Marine General James Wallace. Wallace was a big name back then and he still was. He was a guest lecturer at the Military College and he was known to Gibbs. Gibbs was engaged to Wallace and he held great respect for her father. It's why he wanted to break the news himself. Gibbs went to the college and he spoke to General Wallace about what they learned. The man's daughter was found miles away from where she was allegedly killed in a terrorist attack and unfortunately only one of the things had been untrue. Wallace had been murdered. She fought her attacker and had been killed when she suffered from blunt force trauma.

Someone also took lengths to cover up her death and so Gibbs couldn't tell the general much. The man had wanted a name because before he couldn't just blame one person before and now

he could. He wanted to know who killed his daughter and he said that this person has been getting away with their crime for eighteen years, but Gibbs said that they were going to them and that's all he was willing to say about an ongoing investigation. Gibbs didn't return to his team and tell him about his personal connection to the victim so the team had to piece that together themselves. They found photos of Gibbs with Wallace and they were going to ignore it at first until they found evidence they couldn't ignore.

There was blood on Wallace's clothes and that blood belonged to Gibbs. Gibbs needed to be questioned about his involvement with the victim and so his own team threw him in an interrogation room. Sloane volunteered to talk to Gibbs and she got answers from him. He was asked about the blood and he explained he had injured his finger while he was building his boat. It hadn't been much to him and Wallace had stepped in to clean it with her uniform. Gibbs was also asked about his relationship with Wallace and he said that she was an ex. They were together and then Gibbs broke it off. He didn't think he was admitting anything and so that's when Sloane said this relationship didn't follow the standard.

Gibbs never ended things. He would wait until his significant other had enough of him and she would be the one to walk away, so Gibbs saying he called it quits wasn't the usual. It must have meant that Wallace had been different. She was someone that got close to him and with her, it was him that ran away scared. Gibbs was asked about her and he chose to walk out rather than answer. McGee tried to stop him and when he couldn't he told the other man that he was off the case. McGee didn't want to do it and he only did so because it was a procedure. He and the team needed to clear Gibbs's name before he could be allowed back onto the case and to do that they asked someone to get the files on the Pentagon.

They wanted to know when Wallace went in and when she came back out. They had to bribe their resident expert with tickets to Comic-Con and only then she says that Wallace never left the building. She went to work on the tenth and that was the last time anyone saw her alive. No one saw her on the morning of the eleventh and the team believed that she did, in fact, die there, but then someone moved her body and they wanted to know who. They were allowed to bring Gibbs back in because he didn't have Pentagon clearance to get into the building and this meant he was no longer a suspect. He was still asked about the last time Wallace called him and he said that he didn't answer the phone because he thought she was going to talk about getting back together.

Gibbs has been feeling guilty about ignoring that phone call for almost twenty years and that's why he didn't want to discuss it with the team. It wasn't because he was hiding anything and so there was no need for Gibbs to sit out the rest of the investigation. He just wasn't sure he wanted to come back. He was still going through some things and so the team followed the other leads they had. They found out that Wallace had a secret email and that she used to it set up rendezvous with one person. This person, Mr. Morrison, was a journalist. He was asked about Wallace and he admitted that they had been working together. Morrison said that they had been working to see if American soldiers were responsible for a raid that killed several civilians in Kosovo.

The soldier that was in charge of the Americans at that time was General Wallace and so Gibbs went back to him to ask about it, but it turns out the general knew what his daughter was doing because he asked her to do it. The general would never have ordered a raid and he had been hearing rumors. He wanted to know if someone did kill a bunch and if so who was it. The team investigated the whole thing and unfortunately, they found out it had been Daniel Kent. Kent served the general in Kosovo and became a close friend. He and his fellow Marines got drunk and they cause multiple casualties. Kent then tried to hide it from the general and so when the news came out some other way — Kent tried to kill the story altogether by killed Wallace

Wallace was buried in the empty lot not far from his old apartment and the team already had evidence on the Kosovo matter. So they were able to arrest Kent and they finally got justice for Wallace. She was later buried and the general had an easier time of saying goodbye hat Gibbs did.

Gibbs said nothing good ever came from him loving someone and this has only reaffirmed that for him.

Judge, Jury...

Season 16
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Guest Stars: Mike Farrell (Judge Miles Deakin), Scott William Winters (Westley Clark), Cooper Huckabee (Kyle Larson), Anna Khaja (Assistant District Attorney Eliza Hutchins), Jennifer Marsala (Jennifer Larson), Larry Bates (Malik Madson), Dionne Gipson (Mallory), Lily Gibson (Clarissa), Andre Johnson (Bailiff Colt McKinney), David Grammer (Stuart Crum), Austin Iredale (Navy Petty Officer First Class Kyle Larson (Age30s)), Nico Greetham (Tommy Larson), Bianca Berry Tarantino (Jennifer Larson (Age 7)), Nicolas Hedges (80s Kid), Alexander Aleynikov (Construction Worker), David Ortiz (Suspect), Tony Taboada (Security Guard)
Production Code: 16021
Summary: Kasie solves a 30-year-old murder case, but a loophole in the legal system may set the suspect free; McGee visits an elite technology company that is offering him a highly paid position.



McGee was headhunted by Silicone Valley. He wasn't sure if he wanted to take the job and so he decided to go out there on a visit, but everyone at the office thought he was spending time with his family. Its why they didn't question his sudden day off. They figured he needed as much time with his family as possible and so no one pushed him to help out with trial. The team was asked to give testimony because the federal initiative that Kasie spearheaded had led to an arrest. She wanted all DNA even if it was from

cold cases to be tested through modern systems and a hair follicle found in the 1989 Ice Cream Murder case revealed their culprit was Stuart Crum. Crum poisoned and sold a bunch of ice cream bars. And it caused several children to be sick as well as killed, one child.

Tommy Larson was a teenager. He was at the cross between wanting to be an adult and still very much a child. Tommy also borrowed money from his father to buy an ice cream bar, but his father found him later on struggling to breathe and was unable to save his son. His father was in court now and he wanted justice for Tommy. The team wanted justice for each child that was hurt and they have plenty of evidence. The hair follicle was in a great condition when it was found and it connected to Crum because he was once a suspect in an armed robbery two years ago. Crum was then brought in and interrogated. He admitted that his wife left him for a naval sailor and that he wanted someone to blame. Its why he used his job as a driver of an ice cream truck to hurt others.

Crum didn't know a child would die. He confessed to just wanting to make a bunch of them be sick and from time of his confession to now he still didn't show any remorse. It was believed he was a sociopath who didn't need to kill more than one kid because one was enough for him. Crum's profile said that he has a god complex and poisoning children had satisfied this need, but Crum now wants to walk away from his guilty plea and he has his lawyer on the attack. Attorney Madson tried to come after Bishop's testimony and he only changed his mind about going after Kasie because he found something else to toss the case. There was, unfortunately, a clerical error when Crum's DNA was left in the system. He gave a sample for the robbery and charges it should have been destroyed when he was cleared of all charges.

It was the law in Maryland. Crum's DNA shouldn't have been included in the system and if it hadn't been then there was no way that NCIS would have found him. With this information in his back-pocket, Madson declared that NCIS has nothing and that a mistrial should be declared. The judge was forced to go agree with him even if he didn't like it and so Crum was allowed to go. He was a free man and that angered Tommy's father. Former Navy Petty Officer First Class Kyle Larson told Gibbs that if NCIS wouldn't get justice for his son that he'd do it himself and Gibbs tried to warn him off from doing anything stupid but later that night Crum was killed. He was strangled before he could put up a fight and everyone at NCIS suspected Larson.

NCIS wasn't upset when they found Crum's body. They actually joked that now they've got their DNA because they didn't know how they were going to make their case against Crum the second time, but they still had to investigate the case and therefore they had to suspect Larson. Larson had been drinking and a pill bottle was found at his home. It was unfortunate because Crum was strangled and then pills were shoved down his throat as a means of making it look like a suicide. Larson was asked about his own addiction issues and he claimed that he had turned over a new leaf. He said that he hadn't killed Crum and that he had proof. He was talking to his daughter when Crum was murdered.

The team questioned Jennifer Larson or Jen as she likes to be called. She said that she called her father that night after ten years of not speaking. Jen had always thought her father had let everything go when Tommy died and she didn't realize just how angry he was until she felt anger herself when Crum was released because of a mistrial. It had been an injustice to be her brother and she now sympathizes with her dad. Larson told her that if she kept calling that he would give up drinking and so she didn't think her father went from that phone call to killing someone. It didn't seem plausible. The team thought so as well and they went digging through Crum's life to see if they could find other suspects.

Kasie later found that Crum has a Splendifida account. She needed to ask the company to let her see what was in Crum's Cloud, but the company wasn't going to accept any request at the moment. Splendifida was the company that McGee claimed he was viewing and in fact, he was spying on them. The company was tied to the money that the SecDEF had in a secret account. McGee broke in and found out that the money had been moved and that three million was recently withdrawn. He didn't know why that was and he got caught looking. He was in trouble when his team came to his defense and got a judge to sign off on a warrant that they claimed included McGee's search. McGee was freed and Kasie got access to Crum's cloud.

She didn't find anything worth hiding, but she did use Crum's other Splendifida tech to find a video of someone checking out his house and it turns out to be the bailiff in his mistrial. The man said that he believed in justice and that may be, but he didn't kill Crum because it was the right thing to do. He did it because he was paid by the secret account that again led back to the United States Secretary of Defense.

Gibbs and the Director when to go see CIA Officer Clark about what they learned, but they walked into his home to find him dead and a fellow CIA officer standing over his body.

... and Executioner

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Season Episode: 22

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Production Code: 16022
Summary: After the team finds a secret government bank account that's funding a nationwide network of vigilante justice, they must determine who is acting as judge and jury.



We saw the judge and the jury last week. Now it's time to find out who ordered the execution of the ice cream killer. Turns out, it's none other than Judge Deakin, who oversaw the case that freed the man on a technicality.

Deakin oversees a cabal of five judges who vote to dispense justice when the legal system fails to punish the guilty. And the person they unanimously vote to target this time? None other than Leroy Jethro Gibbs, for the murder of Pedro Juan Hernandez.

Yep, Gibbs's past is about to catch up with him, and so is Vance's, but much more recent.

Mallory actually did kill Clark, but she claims self-defense. After he kicked her off the Vance case, he downgraded her security clearance, costing her her job. So she started following him to ask to be let back in. At Gibbs's, he pulled his gun on her, and they exchanged fire.

Also, she says she's in love with Vance, but it's clear that they could only have a happy ending in another life. In this life, the spy who loved Vance is about to get interrogated by the CIA. Gotta say, I wish we'd seen a bit more of their relationship so we'd be extra-invested in their residual feelings, but we still get the gist.

Although we know what's up with the shadowy cabal of judges, NCIS is still in the dark. And that's where the secretary of defense comes in, and listen, I'm just going to call him Skinner, okay? As Sloane says later in this episode, the heart wants what the heart wants, and my heart wants the man who protected Mulder and Scully all those years to actually be a good guy.

So SecDef Skinner shows up with all the records from the secret offshore account, which he claims someone's been accessing under his name. He says the account came to be post-9/11

when the country was eager to fight terrorism overseas but didn't care so much about paperwork. Like Clark before him, SecDef Skinner looked into Vance and Gibbs and discovered they're both exemplary men, hence the request for help.

Then their parallel investigations start to merge. Bishop and Torres interview Deakin at the incredibly cool vintage bowling alley he restored himself, asking if he knows who might've hired his bailiff to murder the ice cream killer. Deakin's interested that they don't think that the bailiff was working alone. And while he's not condoning law-breaking, after 40 years on the bench, he hates not seeing justice done.

Then Kasie and McGee find evidence in the bank records that show six other withdrawals from the mystery account, all around the time that high-profile murderers who were freed on a technicality ended up dead across the country. It's like Dexter digitized his act and took it nationwide.

At this point, Deakin's Dexter network swings into action, and someone takes shots at Gibbs as he carries four take-out coffees from the diner to his truck. His only warning is a photo of Hernandez left on his dashboard.

He survives, of course, and we next see him carefully digging the bullets out of his door and screening Bishop's calls. The Young Turks are worried that he never turned up, so Bishop heads to the diner. A waitress tells her about the shooting and says Gibbs drove off rather than wait for the police, so she didn't mention his involvement.

So why is Gibbs keeping secrets? McGee, Bishop, and Torres gather in the morgue to discuss it, and Palmer tells them, "Anytime you need a safe, secluded space for gossip, autopsy's all yours. It's... really lonely down here." Then Gibbs enters, and Palmer immediately disavows all knowledge of their meeting.

Gibbs has a graze on his cheek that he chalks up to car trouble, and then Ducky arrives to tell them that all the Dexter network judges clerked for Deakin.

So wait. All the vigilante justice judges are directly connected to Deakin, and they all approved assassinations in their own jurisdictions? That's some "Hey, copper, stop me before I kill again" obvious dot-connecting there. Deakin's Digital Dexters need to cover their tracks a little better.

Gibbs pays a solo visit to Deakin's bowling alley, tossing the Hernandez photo down and telling him to man up and do his own dirty work. Deakin suggests that they both put their thumbs on the scale for justice, but Gibbs rejects that comparison. Still, the judge points out that Gibbs is there alone, no doubt too ashamed to tell his team the truth.

Outside, Torres watches from his parked car as Gibbs leaves the bowling alley. The next day, he fills McGee and Bishop in, and they practically do rock, paper, scissors to decide who has to confront Gibbs about his secret-keeping.

McGee fired him once so he doesn't feel like pressing his luck, so all three approach Gibbs with serious faces as Bishop nervously taps a pencil against her hand. Gibbs studies them, says, "NOPE," and heads for the Elevator of Schemes and Secrets.

They follow him on, and McGee throws down a power move by hitting the stop button, asking if Gibbs really thinks that anything he could say would surprise them after what they've been through.

"I killed the man who killed my family," Gibbs says. "And Deakin knows." Then he steps off the elevator, leaving them speechless. I am so glad he told them! Stronger together, right? But he does turn back to growl, "Don't ever follow me again."

Kasie then breaks the news that phone records show SecDef Skinner has been in regular contact with Mallory. When asked, Skinner says he gave her the bank account records and tasked her with finding what Clark was up to, but he didn't ask her to kill him.

Yet Mallory's been up to something; Kasie finds her fingerprint on the Hernandez photo, put there before the ink was dry. (This is thanks to her fancy enhancement program. "It could find the flaw in Beyoncé," she says—if there were any flaws to find, of course.) So why'd the director's ex-girlfriend try to kill him?

Vance points out that if Mallory actually wanted Gibbs dead, he would be; her shots don't usually miss.

Although she's been off the grid, Mallory's phone and GPS suddenly appear at Gibbs's diner, so the team heads out to arrest her. Vance takes the lead on her interrogation, which seems unwise. She says she only started working for Deakin after Vance made it clear that they had no future. She figured she'd do one job and earn the money she needed to leave the country and

start a new life. But when she saw the target was Gibbs, she couldn't go through with it. Instead, she made it look believable and bought them both some time. Now she wants to help.

Gibbs returns to the bowling alley, offers his gun to Deakin, and tells him to do the job himself. Deakin refuses, and Gibbs warns, "You may regret that." Because this time he brought his team along, and they have a recording from Mallory's bugged necklace of him ordering the hit. For some reason, Deakin forgot that Virginia's a one-party consent state. See? He's a bad judge!

A grateful SecDef Skinner hands Vance a challenge coin, saying NCIS saved him again. Here's hoping Vance calls in that favor soon so we can see Mitch Pileggi again. Then Sloane arrives to let us know that Vance neither endorsed nor blocked Mallory's plea deal. Um, those two are going to be secretly married by the finale, right?

In the end, Deakin flipped on the four other judges, and the Young Turks, waiting on the packed courthouse steps, agree that if he'd had anything concrete on Gibbs, he'd have used the actual justice system. Hence, they agree to forget they ever heard the name Pedro Hernandez.

And we close with a rare instance of NCIS playing a piece of music over the closing shots of the episode as Gibbs escorts an orange jumpsuit-clad Deakin to appear in court, now a defendant facing a new judge on the bench he used to occupy.

Lost Time

Season 16

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Season Episode: 23

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Production Code: 16023
Summary: The team investigates the murder of a Marine Sergeant who was hailed as a war hero for his efforts overseas; Gibbs turns to Dr. Confalone for advice after uncharacteristically abandoning the team at a crime scene.



The body of Marine Gunnery Sergeant Richard Wilson was tossed off a bridge. He landed on a pike as he came down and that's what alerted the local homeless couple that lived off the bridge, but the couple knew what to do. They called '911' and the police were actually the ones that identified the body because Wilson didn't have a wallet or an ID on him. It was only after he was identified as a serviceman that NCIS were called and they had enough problems on their hands. They were still talking about the secret Gibbs had let them in on and both Bishop and McGee were especially troubled by what

they heard. They believed in Gibbs and had thought he was a man of principles. To find out that he executed the man responsible for the death of his family wasn't something that they could put in the back of their minds.

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According to Lori, her husband was complicated. He was the strong silent type and he never talked about work because he had seen some things overseas. Wilson didn't even like to mention the raid five years ago. His squad had taken down a terrorist known as Zakir and he lost his friends on this mission. It was something about hearing Lori's recollection of events that got to Gibbs and he ran out of her interview. It stunned Torres and also Lori wondered if it was something she said. She also wasn't the only asking things. The more Gibbs heard about Wilson and his complicated life the more he lost his patience with his coworkers. He bit off Kasie's head when she was trying to give him an update and said that Wilson was in contact with two others in the lead up to his death. And Gibbs hated to hear heroes being killed at home.

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Daughters

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Season Episode: 24

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Guest Stars: Joe Spano (Former FBI Agent Tobias Fornell), Juliette Angelo (Emily Fornell), Cote de Pablo (Ziva David), AJ Achinger (Spencer Cox), Bob Clendenin (Guest Star), Yorke Fryer (Guest Star), Melinda McGraw (Diane Stirling), Christopher Amitrano (Local LEO), Michelle Lukiman (Paramedic)
Production Code: 16024
Summary: Fornell pleads with Gibbs to do whatever is necessary to take down drug dealers in the area after his daughter is hospitalized from a drug overdose; Gibbs is haunted by aspects of the case.



Emily Fornell collapsed at a party. Her friends didn't know what was wrong with her and so they rushed her to Mercy Point Hospital where they called her dad. Former FBI Agent Tobias Fornell and his daughter Emily have a complicated relationship. They used to be really close until Emily's mother and then the relationship just sort of collapsed from there. Only Fornell still rushed to the hospital when he found out that his daughter wasn't well. She came in blue and no knew what was going at first. Then the

doctors ran some tests and they found opioids in Emily's sister. She had taken drugs and was experiencing an overdose. When the doctors realized what was going on, they informed Fornell and also warned him that there might be some complications.

They needed to give Emily a medication to help get the drugs out of her system and they couldn't rush the processor it might do more harm than good. The doctor was being very reasonable as he went over this with Fornell. It was Fornell that had a hard time comprehending what was happening. He initially refused to believe his daughter was taking drugs and, even in the face of inevitable proof, he still didn't want to take the time to understand the actual process. Fornell demanded that the doctor save his daughter's life and he pulled a gun on the man. Gibbs had to step in before Fornell committed to a mistake he couldn't take back and luckily the doctor didn't want to press charges.

The doctor told Gibbs that Fornell could be allowed back into the room if he left his gun behind and Gibbs promised that there wouldn't be another incident. He took Fornell's gun and handed it over to Torres when the rest of the team stopped by to give Gibbs an update. They had checked into Emily's overdose and all of her friends say she doesn't do drugs. They also believed

that she might have been drugged at the party. There were several incidents on campus and so the team handed over what they knew to campus police, but neither Fornell nor his dead ex-wife felt comfortable about that. They wanted Gibbs to handle the case and the late Diane Sterling even came back from the dead to pressure Gibbs into taking the case.

Both of her parents wanted whoever drugged Emily to go to jail. They knew that if NCIS took over the investigation and ignored Gibbs's rule about personal involvement that what they want could actually happen. Gibbs knew it as well and so he took over the case. Jurisdiction is damned. The team took on the case and they found several victims that were drugged at parties. The situation with Emily only spiraled like it did because she had a bad reaction. Otherwise, this predator on campus would have just carried on and in fact he probably still up to his tricks because there was another incident. Some guy almost overdosed and so the team went to go check on him. They wanted to know where he got the drugs and he said that he bought them off of Professor Ralph.

Professor Ralph was not a real professor. He sued to be a pharmaceutical rep and was fired for skimming. Ralph then became a drug dealer and he sells to everyone on campus. Gibbs and Bishop went to his apartment and they had to break down the man's door when he refused to comply. The two of them found Ralph who clearly overdosed and surprises kept coming because they found a drugged up Emily in the bathroom of the late Professor's apartment. Emily was brought around when they informed her that Ralph was dead and that's when the truth came out. No one drugged Emily's drink. She's been doing drugs and no one in her life knew. She even kept it from her friends and she wanted to keep it from her father as well.

Emily said she came over and that Ralph invited her to party, but she added that Ralph didn't do drugs. He said he never uses and so it was odd that he overdosed. The team checked the scene and it was a little too perfect. Almost like it had been staged. The team dug deeper and they found out that Ralph had been killed. Someone made it look like he overdosed and killed him while Emily was too out of it to care. Emily had no clue what happened to Ralph and she was going to keep the whole thing secret from her dad when her dad walked in on her interrogation. He found out that his little girl has a drug problem and he wanted to know how it all began. He couldn't go after the dealer and so he wanted the supplier.

Only Emily wouldn't say anything. She ran off and told her dad to stay out of her life. Her friends, on the other hand, were a little cooperative. They claimed that someone drugged Emily because they didn't want anyone to know about her problem and one friend, in particular, lived with Ralph. He may have been the one to introduce Emily to Ralph though he said it was Emily that connected Ralph to the supplier. The only thing he knew about the supplier was that he was some podiatrist in Littleton. The team checked Ralph's financials to see if they came across a doctor and Fornell had come back because he said he wanted to help. And that had been a lie because Fornell just wanted information.

Fornell wanted the information for himself and not because he wanted to share it with the team. He had seen Ralph's credit card statement and he recognized Emily's old doctor for bone spurs. Dr. Berman was a podiatrist and he has an office in Littleton. The details all added up and so Fornell went to go confront this guy on his own. He blamed the doctor for getting his daughter hooked on drugs and frankly the doctor didn't know what he was talking about. Dr. Berman was Emily's doctor and then she told Ralph who made an appointment with Berman just to steal his prescription pad. Ralph has been prescribing himself the drugs he needed and he knew an unscrupulous pharmacist that knew how to look the other way.

The team brought in the pharmacist next. They grilled him over the drug side business and confronted about where he was getting the drugs from. It sure wasn't formed US-based company and this meant he was getting it over the border. The pharmacist hadn't wanted to talk, but with the right incentive, they got him to talk and close down this drug business that was operating in their backyard.

Gibbs also got rid of Diane's ghost and while he told Fornell she had simply been a hallucination — Fornell talked to his daughter about getting help and she said she heard the same thing from her mother who she say after her overdose.

And so Diane really did come back, but Gibbs didn't know that when he saw Ziva and at first he thought she was a hallucination as well.

Season Seventeen

Out of the Darkness (1)

Season 17
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Season Episode: 1

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Production Code: 17001
Summary: Ziva surprises Gibbs with a cryptic warning, prompting him to question why she remained underground for years while being presumed dead, and what led to her return.



Ziva came out of hiding. She felt compelled to when she heard that Gibbs was in danger, so now she's out among the living again and this time she's working with Gibbs towards a common goal. They're both trying to keep him alive. They had to fight off the men that attacked the house and then they were gone before the local police came. The police, however, did call McGee. He responded to the call because he recognized it was Gibbs's home and he brought the rest of the team with him. They were out for drinks together when that call came in.

Though once they heard it was Gibbs, they went together to his boss's home and they found it wrecked. They saw signs of a killing team. They even found the dead body of one of the men and so they just wanted some reassurance their boss was still alive. He wasn't found at the house. There was evidence someone used an old shoot to escape and there was also a piece of fabric wedged in there. It wasn't something their boss would wear. McGee said it might have belonged to the killing team and Bishop was the one with the different theory.

Bishop wondered aloud if Gibbs could have had an ally for the gunfight. She downplayed her theory when pushed, but it changes the fact she said it nor did it stop the guys from being suspicious. They were even more so when they realized that Bishop never went back to the office. She claimed she was bringing the fabric to be tested and instead she went to Ziva's safe house. Bishop had been so sure that Gibbs had an ally because she saw that fabric. She saw a coat made of the stuff at Ziva's place and she saw that coat when she went back over there.

Bishop hadn't only known half the story. She thought Ziva barely survived that house explosion and that wasn't the truth. Ziva had hidden her survival because someone was after her

father's files. She went into hiding and gave up her own child because someone was trying to kill her. Ziva was explaining the story across town to Gibbs. She said a woman named Sahar wanted her dead and that she didn't know why. She's never met Sahar. She just knows that Sahar was leading a team to hunt her down and that now they turned to the one person that Ziva was closest to — Gibbs.

Ziva explained how she didn't really have anyone else. Her daughter was still a baby and DiNozzo could only talk about lost love. All Ziva truly had was Gibbs. The men sent to his house were going to use him as leverage against her and Ziva went there first to stop it. Only her intentions didn't seem to have helped them out so much. Ziva was now on the run with Gibbs and he was refusing to go to the safehouse. He wanted to help. Gibbs went with Ziva when she picked up an SD card from a bus and they were waiting for the perfect opportunity while things were happening back at the office.

Bishop was forced to tell McGee what was happening. He knew she was keeping something back so he pushed until she cracked and then it just became weird when they kept Torres out of the loop. Torres could see they were withholding something from him. He even caught out Bishop in a lie to the Director and that's when he demanded to be let into the loop. He eventually found out that Ziva was alive. His mind was so blown from that, that he kept repeating it in what he thought was an empty morgue so that's how Palmer found out.

With those in the loop widening by the second, those that were in know decided to close ranks and they kept the truth from Kasie. They didn't do too good of a job because Kasie could sense something was off. She just didn't pry Torres did and kept on with the job. She told everything they needed to know about the John Doe in the morgue. She also left the second she was done because she didn't want to get wrapped in whatever they were doing and that's why she's the smart one. Kasie wanted nothing to do with the situation.

Funnily enough, Gibbs wasn't thinking about that when he came up with the idea to contact either Kasie or McGee about the SD card. He wanted someone that could decrypt it. He thought about Kasie first and then decided to go with McGee because he knew McGee could keep a secret. He then called McGee to ask him this favor though he didn't know that McGee was now in the know or that McGee found some information for him. McGee and Bishop found out about this Sahar. They believe the woman's full name is Mira Sahar Azam.

Sahar was a POW in Syria. She got out just a week before Ziva's farmhouse blew and that's a good enough reason to believe she was the Sahar that Ziva was looking for. There was just the question of why left. Why did Sahar was Ziva dead? Ziva got help on that encryption from McGee and was back on the road before long. Ziva wanted to check who this Sahar was for herself. She came close to get the information when Sahar's men found them. Ziva and Gibbs were forced back on the run and this time they passed by McGee while they were doing it.

McGee didn't let this go like he was told. Gibbs told him to stay out of it and McGee ignored that order because he cares about both Gibbs and Ziva. Ziva had been like a sister to him. There was nothing he wouldn't do for her and so he followed her when he saw her get in a car with Gibbs. McGee even took Torres and Bishop along for the ride. They didn't know it at the time, only they went to an old burned down diner that Kasie told Gibbs about. It seems she found evidence that the men out to get him were staying and breathing in infested air from this diner.

So, Gibbs and Ziva showed up at this diner. McGee and the others couldn't follow them that far because the Director found out about everything and demanded they come in. He wanted a full briefing. It was only after he got it that he ordered them to return to the diner, but McGee said Ziva would have a plan and could handle the rest on her own. His belief in Ziva was so strong that he managed to convince the director that she wouldn't do something that would put either her or Gibbs at risk.

McGee was talking about the old Ziva. The new Ziva was coming down from pills she took to stay awake and she truly believed that she needed to kill Sarah. Which is why after she killed Sahar's men, she leveled a gun at the woman and Gibbs was forced to stand in her way.

Ziva now has to decide which was more important to her. Revenge or her friendship with Gibbs?

To be continued. . .

Into the Light (2)

Season 17
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Season Episode: 2

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Guest Stars: Cote de Pablo (Ziva David), William O'Leary (Chief Martin Freydano), Darri Ingolfsson (Dwight Colton), Rich Hutchman (Deputy Andrews), Teddy Lane Jr. (Deputy Barney), Paul Gregory (Senator McCormick), Cherie Jimenez (Senator Ortega), Mouzam Makkar (Mira Sahar Azam), Erin Flannery (Mother), Mark Krenik (Suicide Bomber 1)
Production Code: 17002
Summary: With their lives in danger, Gibbs and Ziva's rogue investigation takes an unexpected turn when a possible terrorist plot is revealed.



Ziva came close to crossing a line. She was prepared to kill Sahar if it meant eliminating a threat and she would have gone through with it if it hadn't been for Gibbs. Gibbs managed to reign her in. He convinced her that it was better to turn Sahar into the authorities and they later commandeered a sheriff's office because they wanted to question her officially. The sheriff was okay with it, Gibbs was okay with it, and Ziva was eventually brought on board. Ziva was willing to let Sahar live if it meant she could reunite with her family.

Ziva wanted her daughter back more than anything. They've been separated for the last couple of years now and Ziva wasn't even sure if her daughter would remember her. Talia was practically a baby when they split up. Since then, Talia became a toddler and may or may not be in preschool for all Ziva knew. Ziva needed to be over in order to get her daughter back. She just didn't have the time to play Sahar's games and that's all Sahar seemed ready to do. Sahar saved her own life by saying if she dies that a senator will die next.

Sahar refused to which senator was the target. Both Ziva and Gibbs tried their own unique form of questioning and nothing got through to the prisoner. Sahar didn't want to reveal a single thing. She wanted to make the teamwork for it and they tried. They tried to figure out Sahar. They learned that she was close to taking over at Hamas and that alone was something special. Women didn't really rise to power in the Middle East. It must have taken Sahar everything to make it that far and she could be resentful on why she lost it all.

There was American involvement. They knocked her off her throne and she soon ended up as a POW in Syria. It was where she was tortured and nearly killed, so it would be understandable

if she wanted revenge? The team just couldn't figure out why she was targeting the people she did. They caught on that Sahar wanted to hurt Ziva because of something Ziva's brother Ari did and they have no idea what happened. They also couldn't figure out which senator she was targeting. The closest bit of information they got was when they learned there was an attempted assassination.

Some suicide bombers attempted to sneak into an event for senators. There were probably thirty senators in all and so there was no way to narrow it down. The team ended up putting everyone in protective custody while they worked things out. They went back to Sahar and again she refused to be broken. In fact, she appeared to enjoy the chaos she caused. The whole city was lockdown because her and suicide bombers started coming from everywhere. There was a second bomber that was killed right before he detonated.

Palmer was lucky enough to perform the autopsy. He later told Gibbs that the identifying marks on the body (such as the tattoos) showed that the bomber was a white supremacist and that just didn't make sense. What would a white power guy want with a middle eastern woman? Sahar was clearly running the show here and it simply didn't make sense why she would work with those guys or how they would even have to come to have met her? It was all a little too confusing and Ziva was smack dab in the middle of it.

Only Ziva wasn't like how everyone remembered her. She's been on the run so long that she saw everything and everyone as a threat. She nearly took off McGee when he tried to hug her. Ziva was constantly on edge. She was also used to working alone and that's why she seemed standoffish with her old friends. McGee couldn't reach her and neither could Ducky. She still holds a special place in her heart for them however she's jaded now because of what happened to Gibbs. Gibbs was left several clues that she was alive. And never once came after her.

Ziva thought he would avenge her or at least look for her remains. Gibbs surprised her when he let her go and so she lost faith in him. Ziva didn't trust Gibbs now. She bugged their offices because she wanted information first and she didn't want to go through the team to get it. Ziva offended everyone when they found that bug. It made what they found to take a backseat and instead they focused on whether or not if they could trust Ziva. She was too used to her own company now. Her mistrust and her antics were alienating her.

Ziva was off doing her one-woman-routine as the team was getting information on Sahar. Sahar used backchannels to fund militia groups and the plan worked because none of them knew of her involvement. Sahar even funded fake suicide bombers. The bombs were real. It was the bombers that didn't know what they were doing and were therefore pawns. It seems their jobs were to act as distractions. It was up to them to keep Metro police distracted and the real show was supposed to happen under everyone's noses.

If that wasn't enough, Kasie also found that Ducky's phone was used to contact Sahar's people. It initially seemed like Ducky and Sahar were in cahoots and so right away Kasie knew there was something wrong. She suspected someone used Ducky's phone. She even asked him about it and he told her that Ziva had borrowed his phone. He had just seen her after so long that he was willing to give her anything she asked of him. This included his phone and he thought she needed it because she wanted to make a call that couldn't be traced back to her.

Now, things look differently. The team knew Ziva bugged them and now they were learning she was reaching out to Sahar's people. There could be a logical explanation and then there was what Kasie was thinking. Kasie thought Ziva was working with Sahar. This wasn't helped by the fact Sahar later escaped police custody and was currently on the loose. Taken altogether it looked like treasonous collusion and so the team questioned their last link to Sahar. They questioned her inside man, and he ended up telling them her the whole story.

It turns out Ziva was working with Sahar. Sahar agreed to give Ziva's life back in exchange for helping her and Ziva agreed to do it. Ziva mostly agreed to get Sahar's money back for her. Remember, Ziva tried to take Sahar down when she realized Sahar put a contract out on her life and so she practically depleted all of Sahar's funds. Ziva nearly destroyed Sahar's organization altogether. She was a few steps away from it all when she came to his agreement with Sahar and she said she would return all of the money she slowly stole from them. And that's when the team walked in.

They saw Ziva fulfilling her part.

Ziva did get Sahar's money back, but she also alerted Interpol and was finally toppling Sahar's empire. Sahar didn't realize what was happening until it was too late. She then chose to commit

suicide rather than go back to jail and so that's what most of her men did. They chose to die before being imprisoned again.

And because Ziva helped take them down, she was free and clear and that meant she can go home to her family.

And it also showed that a little bit of the old Ziva was still there.

Going Mobile

Season 17
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Season Episode: 3

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Guest Stars: Cliff Chamberlain (Peter Buck), Frankie J. Allison (Vince Pierman), Ellen Geer (Esther Daniels), David DeLuise (Michael Franklin), Dylan Vox (Lou Jinks), David L. King (Zullo Senior Vice President Lance Rama), Tatiana Carr (Sara Jones), Michael Dunn (Lenny Dunstrop), Paulina Bugembe (Military Police Officer Vera Armstrong), LeBron Daniel (Prisoner)
Production Code: 17003
Summary: After the body of a Marine Lieutenant is found hidden under an 18-wheeler, the team tracks the vehicle's previous locations to pinpoint the crime scene and suspect; Sloane encourages the team to talk about Ziva's recent reappearance.



Sloane was given her orders. She was told by the Director that he wanted her to analyze the situation with the team and see if they were off since Ziva's reappearance. Ziva coming back the way she did had brought a lot of things up. The team hasn't been the same and Sloane noticed that morale was down. She wanted to talk to the agents all the individually to help, but they used their latest case to make their escape and none of them were in any rush to come back. Not once they learned they were investigating a 'gnome

murder'.

The victim had been killed by a garden gnome. The gnome's bloodied and pointy hat was found with the body. The body, however, was found under an eighteen-wheeler. The driver didn't know it was there and it wasn't until he was going through a routine check with the naval yard that the body was found. It was apparently there for a good three to two days based off of decomp. The driver should have smelled it and him not doing so was quite astonishing. Then again, he says he hasn't gone back there in a while.

Based on how shabby the truck was looking, it was clear he hadn't cleaned it as well. The team soon moved on from the driver and they focused on the garden gnome. The garden gnome must belong to a garden, right? The team needed to go look for one and first they identify the body. The victim's name was Elijah Buck. He co-owns a trailer park with his brother Peter and they recently made enemies when they hiked up the rent. It was like the citizens there turned into an angry mob overnight.

They hated the brothers. They hated Eli more because they knew he was responsible for raising their rent and so the brothers didn't stay at the trailer park. They didn't want to be around people that hated them. Peter just didn't know how much they hated them until his brother died. Eli had been killed on one of their lots and thankfully it wasn't by the guy that owns the gnome. The team knew this because the guy literally reported the missing gnome to them. Which he wouldn't have done if he killed Eli.

The team would end up questioning everyone at the park. None of them seemed to have hated Eli enough to kill him and so that made the team look at Peter. Peter hated owning the trailer park. He only got into it because his brother promised him it would be quick cash and it wasn't. The team questioned Peter because they wanted to know if he could sell the property now that his brother is dead. Only Peter brought in a note left on his windshield that said: "You're Next". Peter believes someone was threatening him and he wanted to know what NCIS was going to do about it.

The only thing they could do about it was questioned who suspected. Peter told them that the tenants all had a meeting with Esther Daniel's. She was a little old lady and she was painting a bunch of pictures in the hope of raising money. Esther and the other tenants wanted to buy back the park. They were hoping to make a feasible offer and it helped that their only roadblock was now dead. Gibbs had had a chat with Esther about Eli. She admitted it that was slightly coldblooded, but she used to like retirement and now she was just holding onto the fact she might leave a little something for the grandkids.

Gibbs had tested Esther's drawing pencil. It wasn't a match for the note left for Peter and later that night someone had thrown a Molotov cocktail under Peter's car. He was very lucky it wasn't something wore. He survived the smoke bomb just fine and the team kept looking for whoever attacked the brothers. They thought they found their perp when they realized one of the tenants was a former criminal. Vince was in the witness protection program and he was doing fine at the trailer park until the brothers came and messed everything up.

The team even brought Vince for questioning. He said that he left that life behind and that he didn't want to draw attention to himself because his former allies might find him. Vince also had a bad asthma attack in custody. He said that his asthma has been bad for a while now and that it started getting worse when his tomato crop began dying. What he said had given the team an idea. They tested the soil where the crop was found and they found it contaminated. The soil was so toxic that it could potentially kill everyone at the park.

So, the team did some digging. They traced the contamination back to a nearby chemical company called Zullow and people from Zullow were willing to talk as long as it got them off the hook for murder. The company said that they financed the brothers. They did so because it was the brothers' job to push those people off the contaminated land before anyone else found out. And it wasn't the brothers doing this together, it actually was just Peter. Peter wanted the get a quick rich scheme and him accidentally his brother when Eli developed a conscience.

Peter later confessed to the whole thing. He was going to be put away for his brother's death and the company was forced to settle with the tenants. Meaning good people like Vince and Esther were going to be taken of.

And at the end of all of this, Sloane tried to talk to the agents and they instead flipped around because they wanted to know about this "thing" she has with Gibbs.

Someone Else's Shoes

Season 17

Episode Number: 382

Season Episode: 4

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Guest Stars: Joseph Lee Anderson (Marine Lance Corporal Bernard 'Barney' Ernest Williams), Cote de Pablo (Ziva David), Dana L. Wilson (Dr. Erica Bell), Anastasia Baranova (Melissa Canon), Devan Long (Terry Kemper), Brent Bailey (Kyle Freeman), David Carpenter (Henry Hoss), Ellen Rattner (Department of Army Security Guard May Stern), Jennifer Marshall (Marine Sergeant Francesca Rinaldi), Jeffrey Larson (Department of Army Security Guard Ian Nowitski), Christopher Carrington (Navy Seaman Ronald 'Ronny' T. Jones), Scott Menville (Army Sergeant Donald 'Donny' Pretorius), Oren Skoog (Fanny-Packed Tourist)

Production Code: 17004
Summary: The team links a bizarre crime scene at Arlington National Cemetery to a string of attacks on homeless veterans; Vance orders McGee, Bishop and Torres to complete hours of evidence garage cleanup duty for withholding information.



NCIS was called about a horse. A horse was set loose at the Arlington National Cemetery and it turns out this animal carrying a foot. The foot was unfortunately human. There was also a second foot that was later found and so this was starting to look like a crime. It was clear that the feet had been severed, but the trauma was fairly recent and the feet themselves were the least of the team's concerns. Their main problem was the cemetery. The cemetery was sort of its own little place so no one whose jurisdiction this crime fell under.

They only decided on NCIS because the team had brought Palmer with them. He was the first Medical Examiner at the scene and the cemetery was eager to hear from someone with authority on the matter. Palmer first noticed the feet held sores. As if someone had been living rough. Palmer suspected that the victim could have been homeless, and he was right. The feet belonged to Marine Sergeant David Holtzman. Holtzman was living on the street and his feet were getting better because he was seeing several doctors at the VA hospital.

The main doctor didn't remember Holtzman. She said that she had to see so many patients a day that it was hard to keep track of them and sadly she wasn't alone in being overworked.

Veteran Affairs didn't really take responsibility for what happened to the veterans. They force them to jump through several hoops and then offer them the barest form of help. Its why so many of them were being driven out onto the streets. They were dealing with untreated PTSD as well as debt for having to pay medical bills out of pocket.

Only the doctor at least realized the system was broken. She said no one wanted to help these veterans and she may have been wrong. It was clear that when the systems fail them, they could only depend on each other and that ended up with this case. Gibbs and McGee went to the shacks where most of the veterans stayed. They went looking for someone who knew Holtzman and they found a friend. The guy hadn't seen Holtzman. He was also beginning to worry and so he came with them as they began searching for the camp.

The team was hoping to find some signs of blood, but what they found was much worse. They found several bodies nearby and all were murdered vets. It seems that their killer was targeting a group he felt was vulnerable. The vets there were all suffering in their own way and the same went for Holtzman's friend. Marine Lance Corporal Bernard Williams didn't even want to admit his status as a vet because he felt too ashamed of his current position. It was suggested that he talk to Sloane and he clammed up once he realized she was a shrink.

Williams said he didn't want to talk about himself when someone was targeting his friends. Holtzman and a woman by the name of Norma Jean were both dead. Her records should have been at the VA hospital and yet the hospital was giving Kasie the runaround. Both Torres and McGee decided to just go down there to get the files, but they found out the doctor they had spoken with earlier had received threats and that she also found two severed hands pointing at ashes in the cupboard.

It seems this killer had wanted to send a message. They sent the foot with a horse because horses were a military symbol honoring the dead for funerals and then they started to literally point the blame with severed hands. This killer was trying to highlight the unfair treatment of the veterans. This plan was also working because that's what's on the news nowadays and all anyone can talk about is what's happening with the veterans. Sloane had considered this message as she began suspecting Williams of being their culprit.

Sloane didn't want to suspect him because she personally liked him. Yet, it didn't change the fact that he knew the camp, the victims, and that he was trained to get around security protocols at a hospital. Williams was a viable suspect and so Gibbs went to go talk to him. He tried finding Williams on his own and he instead came across an aid worker that said Williams had been attacked. He was hit from behind. He never saw his attacker and his attacker had stolen his very personal journal.

Williams wrote everything down in that journal. He detailed how he took time off to spend with his sick mother and that her medical bills ended up bankrupting him. Williams's journal was his way for him to let go of all of his pain, but then someone took it. He thinks his attacker took it to get information on the case and so Gibbs kept watch to see if the attacker would come back. He actually ran across a podcaster and he had to put her in her place before she moved on. And so Gibbs thought nothing would come out of the watch.

Then Bishop texted him. Bishop found out that a private company was making a profit out of the homeless sector and that he were to make more if a new bill went through. One that would increase for veterans thereby increasing the profit this company could make on the back of veterans. The company was called Mercy Point Mobile Care and Kyle Freeman not only worked for the company, but his family owns it as well.

Freeman was actually still at the homeless camp when Gibbs and his fellow veterans took him down.

They got their payback for their fallen friends and they also highlighted their own stories for social media.

Now, the whole world will know what was happening to veterans when they were coming back home and this time Williams wasn't afraid to tell his own story.

Wide Awake

Season 17

Episode Number: 383

Season Episode: 5

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Production Code: 17005
Summary: The team investigates a Marine Corporal after evidence suggests she murdered her neighbor while being treated for insomnia by a hypnotherapist.



NCIS was used to the odd ones. It's what they've come to expect by now. They've each had long careers in this field and they believed they've seen it all. They even believed they recognized the situation with Marine Corporal Laney Alimonte. The soldier had called them when she found a gun in her fridge and she claims not to know how it got there. The team suspected she might have been on drugs and that it could explain why she was both moody and forgetful yet there was also blood found on the gun.

The blood didn't belong to Laney. Laney didn't have any visible wounds on

her and she also claimed not to have left her house in a while. According to her, she found the gun the first thing that morning and so she hadn't gotten the gun from anywhere. Laney says it wasn't hers. The team ran a search on the gun and it was a registered weapon. It belonged to someone named Joe Cortez. Cortez lived a few miles from Laney and so the team went there to ask the guy about his gun. And instead, they found his body.

Cortez had been dead for hours. He was killed sometime during the night and the evidence at the scene didn't make sense. All the evidence pointed to Laney. She didn't have an alibi for the window of opportunity and her fingerprints were found on the gun. It also didn't help that she has such a checkered past. She was on the brink of being thrown out of the Marines for psychological problems. She took meds to deal with her issues and there was so much of it in her cabinet that she never would have been able to wake up the next morning. And yet she didn't take her meds.

Why didn't she take her usual doses? Laney said she was seeing a new doctor and that this hypnotherapist had given her one on one session that very night over a video call. Laney said the doctor hypnotizes her into falling asleep. She then fell into such a deep sleep that she went without her meds and woke up the next morning happier than she ever felt. If something happened while she was asleep, she said that it must be the doctor's fault. The same doctor she believed hypnotize her into murdering someone.

Laney was willing to admit she may have killed someone when she saw the evidence. She also said she couldn't have killed someone of her own free will because she wasn't that type of person and so she blamed her doctor. She said her doctor hypnotized her into murder. It sounded crazy, but the team did investigate it and they investigated Dr. Pershing as well. The doctor has a long career as a hypnotherapist. He helps people through hypnosis and his clients seem to like him. And Laney liked him until she started to second-guess their sessions.

Laney claims not have known Joe Cortez. She doesn't know how to get to his place or how she got his gun or why she killed him with his own weapon if she was just going to take it with her. Laney didn't know the answer to anything. She thought the agents would have better luck with Pershing and they did. The doctor had told them that he couldn't hypnotize anyone into committing a crime. They later found out that he had been accused once before hypnotizing his roommate into stealing beer from a convenience store.

The team soon brought him to question him about that incident. They wanted to know why he didn't mention it from before and he said that other incidents didn't matter because it wasn't his real. He did use to practice hypnotizing his college roommate. It was also done with the other man's permission and Pershing his roommate had only hypnosis because he tried to push the blame onto someone else. Pershing couldn't have hypnotized anyone into a crime. Not then and not now. He claimed he was innocent and that was step up from Laney.

Laney truly believed she had killed Cortez. She didn't suspect anything different because the agents said all the evidence pointed to her and they left out the part about this being their initial conclusion. The team had been so desperate to prove Laney was innocent that they double-checked their evidence and saw that it was flawed. Laney's prints on the gun were skewed. As if someone had merely staged the fingerprints by putting the gun in her passed out hand and there was more. There were peanuts.

The crime scene was littered with peanuts. Cortez had them all over his apartment and that alone showed Laney never stepped foot in there because she was deathly allergic to peanuts. Someone had clearly framed Laney for Cortez's murder. She didn't know anyone with a motive and so this time the agents paid attention to Cortez's life. They found out that he did have an enemy. He was seeing a married woman and this woman was concerned about her husband finding out about them. She said her husband would kill Cortez if he had found out about the two of them.

Her husband was is Roger Pozniak. He has an appointment with Pershing right after Laney and so he heard all about her problems through the thin walls. He then used that to frame for the murder of his wife's lover. But Pozniak has OCD. He couldn't take the mess and so the team threatens him with one if he didn't write down how he did it.

Pozniak eventually confessed to everything and this freed Laney.

She was also wasn't going to be fired anymore because the military was reconsidering how it handled those dealing with mental illness.

Institutionalized

Season 17

Episode Number: 384

Season Episode: 6

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Guest Stars: Devale Ellis (Dante Brown), Wayne Lopez (Prison Sgt. Desmond Walters), Bertila Damas (Master Chief Petty Officer Renee Quichera), Elizabeth Laidlaw (Correction Officer Rita Brindle), E. Ambriz DeColosio (Ricky McCoy), Martin Copping (Benny), Brent Gutierrez (Kendall 'Trey' Quichera), Carl Donelson (Edgar Ramirez), Mary Kate Corsetti (Tanya Owens)
Production Code: 17006
Summary: When a Petty Officer's son is found murdered at his welcome home from prison party, evidence suggests that Kasie's lifelong best friend, Dante Brown, is the suspect.



It was another unusual one for the team. They were called in to investigate when a servicewoman's relative was murdered at his own welcome home party. The victim's name was Kendall Quichera. He went by the name Trey. Trey was given twenty-five to life for his part in an armed robbery and surprisingly he was released early. Trey ended up serving only seven years. He told his family that he became a new man in prison and that his whole world view had changed. Only Trey was suddenly flushed with cash. His old crim-

inal buddies didn't know how he got his hands on the money and so they suspected that he might still have had a finger in criminal activity.

The team carried out their investigation either way. They learned that Trey had been murdered by someone wielding a shiv and that he wasn't the model citizen his family thought he was. He had started fights in prison. He was even thrown into the hole for bad behavior. Trey was as far from the model citizen as humanly possible and so his early didn't make sense. The team was still trying to figure out why Trey was released when Kasie came back with her findings. She said the hair found on the victim belonged to a dog. And as luck would have it there was a dog walker that Trey had had a beef with.

Dante Brown and Trey were in prison at the same time. It was even rumored that Trey had stabbed Dante with a shiv and so it would be understandable if Dante wanted revenge. He was a dog walker so he had dog hair all over him at all times. He also would have found if not created his own shiv to return the favor to Trey. The team knew they needed to talk to him and they went to his house hoping to get answers, but they didn't think they would run into Kasie. Kasie

carefully negotiated Dante's surrender and so the team had questions. They later demanded answers from Kasie and so she revealed that Dante was an old friend.

Kasie swore Dante was innocent. Then she heard that Dante met Trey at a bar several times and that he was one of the last few people to see Trey alive. Kasie had still wanted to believe Dante despite what she heard. She didn't feel comfortable about testing his hair because she said they didn't have a sample to test it against and so Gibbs pushed her to test it anyway. He believed they had a credible suspect in Dante. They also had Dante on a parole violation for meeting with Trey and so they already knew that Dante was guilty of something. They just didn't have proof he was guilty of Trey's murder.

It all goes back to the fight in prison. They asked Dante about it and he claims he didn't happen. He said he wasn't stabbed by Trey in prison. He said the police report got it wrong and that he and Trey weren't enemies. Trey had reached out to him after prison because Trey had wanted someone who knew what it was like. Someone who experienced prison. Trey was feeling lost when he got out and that's why he turned to Dante. Dante was a great guy. Everyone who knew him said so and his track record was only long because of parole violations. He was caught with fireworks which got him two years. He did a wheelie on a bike and got six months.

Dante's original charge was crap as well. He defended a kid that being beaten up by a gang and the police arrested him because they automatically assumed he was a thug. The witnesses were too scared of the gang to testify in Dante's favor and so that's how he got six years for being helpful. The boy he had saved had also been Kasie's baby brother. Its why she was so close to Dante now. She blames herself for Dante going to prison the first time around and she felt guilty about the trumped-up parole violations that saw him keep going back there. Kasie was so much in her feelings that she missed some warning signs.

Kasie watched Dante's interview. She automatically believed every word he said and she told the team that they could trust his word as well. The team, however, knew the real world didn't work that way. They couldn't just trust someone to be truthful. They had to investigate and so they went back to Dante's place so that they could test his dog. They wanted to run the dog's hair against the sample from the victim. Kasie went with Bishop to do the test and while she was at Dante's she spotted a shiv under the dog's bed. She didn't tell anyone else about it at first because she wanted to be the one to test it. And unfortunately, the test proved the shiv was the murder weapon.

Kasie came forward with what she found. She soon asked Gibbs for the chance to say goodbye and that's not what she really went in there to say. Kasie had asked Dante about his enemies. She believes someone with a grudge against him had set him up for murder and so she had him write down everyone with a grudge. Kasie also had Gibbs backing her because Gibbs was willing to take a chance on her. Gibbs wanted to believe Kasie wasn't wrong and so he had his team keep investigating the matter. They searched the security feed at the prison and they soon found evidence of Trey being the one to stab Dante with a shiv.

Dante had lied to them earlier. He said the fight never happened and it did. He had a motive, means, and even the murder weapon. The team told Kasie everything they found because they wanted her to open her eyes. They thought she was backing a losing horse. Kasie wanted to see the good in Dante because once upon a time he had been a good kid except he wasn't a kid anymore. He was a grown man who has been in and out of jail for most of his adult life. Dante chose to lie of his own accord. He didn't have to lie about something that so easily could be proven and so he did it because he thought he could hide his past.

Kasie later went to see Dante in prison. She confronted him with the evidence and demanded to know why he had lied to her. His supposed enemies each had alibis. He had hidden his motives and yet Dante was still claiming his innocence. Only Kasie couldn't easily believe like before. He had lied to her and that was the first time he ever did that. Kasie knows now that she couldn't trust Dante to be truthful. She was just about done with him when she finally received good news. Dante's dog hair didn't match up with what they found and so that had been a silver lining. There was also the prison phone calls.

Gibbs had had Bishop listen in on the phone calls at the prison. He wanted to be thorough with this case because of Kasie and so he had Bishop going through every phone call from the prison. It was dud in the beginning. Then Bishop heard that Trey was a smuggler with someone at the prison and so that reaffirmed Kasie's faith in Dante. She tested all the dogs at the prison and she found out one of them matched what was found on the killer. Kasie also found a link

to a guard. The guard had been using Trey to smuggle in drugs and he killed Trey when Trey stopped being useful. And so Kasie had been right all along.

Dante was innocent. With Kasie and the team backing him, they were able to get Dante released and they charged the guard with murder. The guard was now going to join the same people he used to patrol. Dante meanwhile was ready to put the whole mess behind him. He had a job interview at the kennel that he almost missed and so it's a good thing Kasie had rearranged it for him.

And while no one had been looking, it turns out Torres has been secretly dating someone for the last couple of weeks.

No Vacancy

Season 17
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Season Episode: 7

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Guest Stars: Kevin Kilner (Patrick Norian), Zak Steiner (Richard Devol), Lisa LoCicero (Elena Devol), Aaron Craven (U.S. Congressman for Virginia Eric Riley), Jack Fisher (Phineas), Jessica Cavanagh (Monica Shaw), Frank Clem (Phil Rutland), Eugene Shaw (Master Sergeant Neil Koh), Alina Phelan (Amy), Tatum Shank (Ted), Kale Culley (Dylan), Rainey Spurlock (Harper), Alison Trumbull (Karen), Tanya Leon (Marinka Bazarov)
Production Code: 17007
Summary: While investigating a Marine's murder, the NCIS team uncovers a network of live-streaming hidden spy cameras in the rooms of a Virginia motel.



A family visited a farm for a nice day trip. The children had complained about it because they would have preferred Disney World and so their mother basically forced them to go look at the pigs. She wanted them to see nature in action. She didn't think they would see the pigs eating a person or come away from the encounter perfectly traumatized. They ran to their mother and she called the authorities. Later on, the authorities called NCIS because the victim had a Marine tattoo and no other identifiable trait.

The pigs went to town on the victim. He didn't have a face or hands and so the tattoo was really all they were working with. It was until the team entered the pen that they received further information. Like how the victim didn't die there. He was moved postmortem and so someone was trying to use the pigs to dispose of the body. It was pretty ingenious of them. The pigs would have left behind only hair and teeth once they were done and so this victim could easily have disappeared if it hadn't been for that family.

The team also found a motel key. They traced it back to the right motel and they checked out the victim's room. They thought they would find something that would give them a name, but instead, they found something more sinister. They found someone had messed with the entrance to air vac and so Gibbs followed it. He followed it until he was in the vents and saw that someone had set up cameras. The cameras were situated in such a way that it was clear they were filming other guests at the hotel.

There were cameras above every room. It was like the entire motel had been turned into a voyeur's dream and so what they had on their hands was a sophisticated pervert. It wasn't the

owner of the hotel because he says he just bought the place less than a year ago. He bought it from an old guy who retired to tropical weather and that didn't sound like a guy who knew his high-tech stuff. The current owner did have some priors with positions. It just wasn't anything recent and so that brought the team back to the victim who was thankfully identified through DNA.

The victim's name was Master Gunnery Sergeant Aaron Shaw. He was married with two kids and he seemed like an upstanding guy on paper. There was nothing in his background that showed he could have been a pervert, but the evidence did point to him. There were traces of fiberglass found in his lungs. It was the same kind of fiberglass used in the insulation at the motel and he could have only have breathed them in if he was up there in the vents. Then there was the whole secrecy deal. Shaw checked into a dirty motel when he didn't live that far away and he hadn't been having problems with his wife.

His wife didn't even know he was that close to home. She thought he was doing something for work and technically she wasn't wrong. The team believed Shaw created work for himself. They thought he's been watching people at the motel because he's been collecting blackmail material on them and so that explained the payment from a congressman. The team thought it was blackmail money. Its why they knew they needed to speak to US Congressman for Virginia Eric Riley. They wanted to find out what Shaw was blackmailing him over and in actuality, they learned that Shaw wasn't the blackmailer.

Riley hired Shaw to find the real blackmailer. He said he stayed at the motel when he met a woman and they hooked up. He and the woman parted ways amicably, but then some began blackmailing him. Riley said he couldn't go to the cops because he was in the middle of a campaign. He, therefore, turned to Shaw because he knew if Shaw could find Bin Laden then a mere blackmailer would be easy for him. Which is what happened. Shaw found the blackmailer and he was killed for getting too close.

So, the team carried out their investigation into this blackmailer. They looked into everyone who accesses and the one name that stood out was Daniel Mulgrew. He was the installation guy. He also has a long record and he recently applied for a passport. The team suspected he could be their guy. They even went to his home in the middle of the night in order to catch him and they caught him alright. Just not before someone else got to him first. The team ended up finding Mulgrew dead. Mulgrew was killed in front of the screens he had set up and it was odd.

The team was sure they unplugged the cameras at the hotel. The fact there were still cameras set up meant Mulgrew must have planted those cameras long ago and he was reviewing all of the footage when he got the chance. This also meant the killer targeted Mulgrew while he was still working. The team later hacked Mulgrew's accounts to see what he was up to and they learned that Mulgrew wasn't even the real blackmailer. He was merely the blackmailer's IT guy. Mulgrew sent several emails trying to back out and the blackmailer refused to release him.

The team then used those emails to find the blackmailer. It turns out it was Mulgrew's former boss at the NSA. He used to work at the NSA and he was later fired from it for spying on his coworkers. His boss at the time should have informed the authorities. Only he didn't. Patrick Norian chose to use the information he had on Mulgrew to blackmail Mulgrew into doing his bidding. This normally would have made Norian the prime suspect in two murders except Norian was out of town for both of them.

Norian couldn't have killed either Shaw or Mulgrew. It had to be someone else and so the team went back to Shaw. They knew he reached out to people for help with his case. All they had to do was go back to it and that's how they found his friend. Shaw turned to a friend to identify the woman that slept with the congressman. His friend has access to facial recognition and he later told Shaw that the woman in the video was Marinka Bazarov. She was a Russian Spy. She was also still sleeping with the congressman and he must have been trading intel with her.

Shaw must have found out. He probably tried to turn the congressman in and that's when he was killed. He died because the friend that asked him to investigate a blackmailer had turned out to be a traitor to the United States. So, that's when the congressman turned against him. He and his lover were responsible for Shaw and Mulgrew and so the team arrested the congressman in front of all of his supporters.

Gibbs later ducked out early to mentor a young kid in his neighborhood and while he was doing that Bishop and Torres were starting to flirt with each other.

Musical Chairs

Season 17

Episode Number: 386

Season Episode: 8

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Guest Stars: Emma Bell (Musician First Class Hannah McClain), Eyas Younis (Senior Chief Musician Neil Farzad), Kate Hamilton (Faith Tolliver), Link Ruiz (Hugo Grava), Eric Winzenried (Andrew Hopper), Owen Saxon (Musician First Class Luke Undervoy), Richie Rosales (Navy Musician First Class Zachary Warren), Peg Shirley (Mature Woman)
Production Code: 17008
Summary: The NCIS team investigates the murder of a musician in the Navy's most elite band, which performs at diplomatic events around the world.



It was believed Navy Musician First Class John Warren committed suicide. He was on a bus with the rest of the Naval Choir when he began acting out of character. He was missing the beats in the song they were playing and he was unsteady on his feet. Some of his friends even noticed what was happening. They tried to ask John if he was okay and the next thing they knew he jumped out of the vehicle as it was still moving. John, therefore, committed suicide. There was no way he didn't know that crashing out of a car on

the highway wasn't going to end badly and so that begged the question of why he did this.

John did have a history of mental illness. He told his superiors all about it and so they knew about his depression. They were, in fact, blaming themselves now for what happened. They thought they should have checked in with John to see if he was okay and so the team were going to investigate what triggered this latest episode, but it was revealed at the last minute that they didn't have to. John's death looked like suicide and it actuality it was murder. He was drugged with a fast-acting toxin. It explains why he was acting so oddly in the moments before.

There was also one other explanation for it. Palmer concluded that John's antidepressants had reacted to the poison and so that gave John some clue that something was wrong. He probably felt so out of sorts. He died so horribly and it doesn't seem like he was the target after all. John was poisoned by the reed in his clarinet. He had broken his and had borrowed one of his bandmates. She hadn't even known about it. She didn't know that her clarinet reed was the murder weapon until NCIS was knocking on her door and they were asking her about enemies.

Navy Musician Hannah McClain was in charge of the band's touring schedule. She changed most of their bookings to Europe and a lot of people didn't like it, but John did. He had never

been to Europe and now he never will. Hannah was blaming herself for that when the team asked who else could have a grudge. Hannah thought about it and she mentioned there was a guy they call the "Nugget Creeper". He was called that because he wears a baseball cap with a logo for Ned's Nuggets and the creeper part came in because he was a stalker.

The guy followed their schedule religiously. He was always there when they landed and Hannah was nice to him at first because she initially thought he was just a superfan. It wasn't until he followed them to every venue that she realized he was a stalker. Hannah stopped speaking to him and she does her best to ignore him when he calls out her name. Hannah had given the team a facial sketch and they used that to find their perp. Only the team was operating without Gibbs. He said he has an issue with a friend and so he gave McGee the lead on this case. And it was a little hard to investigate the creeper when they were worried about what Gibbs has gotten himself into.

Gibbs left everything behind. He didn't take his money, his badge, or even his cell phone and so the team just know something is going down. They were doing their best to stay out of it because Gibbs would call them if they need them. So, the team was focusing on the case. They talked to the stalker and he had an alibi for the short window in which the reed was poisoned. He did, however, say that he had to protect Hannah and so the team asked him from what. What was threatening her? The stalker said that there was a secret killer band society within the band and that this society was in charge of several members disappearing.

The team had wanted to call this guy crazy. Then they followed up on what he told them and they learned there was a trail of bodies. The last three recruits for the band have all disappeared. No one has heard from them since they either quit the band or they went MIA and so the stalker believed Hannah was next. She was still a relatively new recruit. She was also invited to a secret meeting by her conductor and so the team had her sit it out while they went. They went to this meeting where they didn't find a cult.

They found a private memorial service for John because the band wanted to pay their respects their way. It also turns out there was never a society and there was a reason behind the three disappearances. One died naturally, one was deported, and another was caring for his sick parent. The team wasted a day on a conspiracy theory and it was for nothing. Nothing the stalker said had panned out. The team thankfully still had Kasie and she gave them the lead. She found out the band's equipment weighs more heavily than it should. She believed the equipment manager was a smuggler and Torres later found the evidence to back it up.

The manager was smuggling contraband through South America. He wanted Hannah dead because she would have taken the band to a Europe for a year and he would have lost millions of dollars. The team ended up arresting the manager and they even had time to attend the official memorial tribute to John.

By then, Gibbs had returned from his secret mission and he was there to talk Sloane through her own problems involving her biological daughter.

IRL

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Season Episode: 9

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Guest Stars: Louise Barnes (Sarah), Jack Fisher (Phineas), Rick Overton (Elmer Barlow), Paul Norwood (Jesse Gilford), Tyler Francavilla (Dustin Vanderschmitt), Sonya Leslie (Nancy), Serafina Polite (Emma), Christopher Bencomo (Navy Petty Officer First Class Ian Rojas), Briana Cuoco (Ros-alind), Reatha Grey (Marion), Carter Mitchell (Virgil)
Production Code: 17009
Summary: The team investigates a petty officer's murder that was live-streamed on a popular gaming app. Also, Gibbs is asked to look after his 11-year-old neighbor, Phineas, when his mom must leave on a last-minute trip.



A murder was accidentally live-streamed! The victim was later identified as Petty Officer First Class Ian Rojas and he was killed while he was recording himself playing a videogame. The game was some shoot-up nonsense. It had no bearing on the case and it was only related because of the manner of his death and because it was used to identify the victim. At first, no one knew who he was. He went by the username "NAVYgamer-z" when he's online and that was enough for the local police to pass this one off on NCIS.

Therefore, the team merely suspected he was Navy when they were given this case. It was after they ran facial recognition that they realized his name was Rojas. Rojas was on leave and he seems to have been enjoying himself when he died. He makes a living out of playing videogames. He earns more doing that than he does as a Naval Hull Technician. He also spent so much time online when he's home and that he didn't really have a life. He had the NAVY and he had his online persona. Rojas did a great job separating the two of them.

There truly was no reason why someone from his gaming life would want to hurt him. Yet that's what it was beginning to look like as the team processed the evidence. The killer had unplugged everything after Rojas was murdered. The Livestream went down and the computer was wiped of any information. Rojas's body was also moved to the bathroom where it was staged. His killer had put a bear mask over his face and covered him in glitter. Rojas was made to appear as if he had come out of the "Killing with Kindness 3" game.

The game was all bears turning on each other. It was supposed to be about alliances and what have you and the game was a big deal. It has plenty of fans and even Rojas loved to play.

He would usually play with one user known as Florida C.O.W. The two of them appeared to be friends. They were always playing together and they talked on the night Rojas was murdered. In real life, his friend was a retired Naval Officer who needed something to do. He met Rojas on a naval site and Rojas convinced him to take a chance on video games.

The guy was lonely because he lost his wife. Which meant video games gave him an outlet and he had Rojas to thank for that. The two became friends and so the team didn't suspect Florida of hurting Rojas. They had to look for someone else. They considered who might have had a grudge and they came across Dirtybird. He was a gamer earning more than Rojas and then Rojas reported for harassing women online. Dirtybird lost his sponsorship. He was now short of almost a hundred grand and so he could have blamed Rojas for it.

Only the team had no idea how to contact Dirtybird. He covered up his real life and the team had no way of identifying him. The only way they could reach him was by posing as another gamer. This was typically where McGee came in and surprisingly McGee couldn't do it. He didn't have a high enough score to be considered a serious gamer. The team was going to have to find someone else and so that's when Gibbs said he has a guy. His "guy" was nine-years-old Phineas. His mom was out of town and Gibbs was watching him for her.

Gibbs technically promised he would cut down on Phineas's screen time. So, he quickly broke that promise and so he had a few moments to do whatever he wanted. He got Phineas to lure in Dirtybird. Then McGee traced the signal and they found Dirtybird. He was brought in for questioning, but he, unfortunately, has an alibi. The misogynistic troll was coaching his daughter's basketball team at the time of Rojas's murder and therefore he was innocent. He wasn't their killer. The team was suddenly left without suspects and to make things worse Gibbs got in trouble with Phineas's mother.

Phineas's mom Sarah had quickly ended their boys' trip once she realized Gibbs hadn't followed a single rule of hers. He endangered her child even if said child thought it was fun and couldn't wait to do it again. Phineas had loved hanging out at NCIS. He considered Gibbs a friend and so it was going to hurt both of them now that they can't see each other anymore. Sarah had put her foot down. She didn't want Phineas with Gibbs if she couldn't trust the man and so their fishing expedition into Dirtybird had hurt Gibbs more than helped.

With the team back at square one, they looked into who else could have wanted Rojas dead. Rojas spent his last death on earth playing video games and talking to his friend Florida. Florida had even told him that the retirement home had glitchy WiFi. It turns out Rojas had wanted to help his friend with that. He looked into the home's computer system and that's how he found out someone was stealing information from the elderly. Someone was robbing them all blind and Rojas was onto him. And so before Rojas could report the guy to the cops, he was killed.

The killer was an old dude by the name of Elmer. Elmer pretended to have memory issues and really he was using that to hide his criminal behavior. He was stealing from his neighbors because he no longer had the money to stay at the fancy retirement village. And so the team arrested Elmer and they later found the murder weapon hidden in his garage.

Elmer was going away and luckily Sarah came around. She realized Gibbs was good for Phineas and that's why she was going to allow them to be friends again. It seems they both needed friendship.

The North Pole

Season 17

Episode Number: 388

Season Episode: 10

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Guest Stars: Cote de Pablo (Ziva David), Louise Barnes (Sarah), Jack Fisher (Phineas), Elayn J. Taylor (Odette Malone), Usman Ally (Victor Mir), Jeremy Batiste (Security Guard Joe), Sam Asghari (Security Guard Russell), Tatiana Turan (Supervisor), Eva Portugues (Tali), Vera Portugues (Tali), Tom McComas (Gabriel Cross)
Production Code: 17010
Summary: Gibbs and the team help Ziva with the "one thing" she said she'd take care of before returning to her family.



Ziva said there was one last thing before she can return to her family. She also told Gibbs that she has to do it alone and that's why he couldn't help her. Then she seems to have caved. Ziva supposedly had her friend Odette reach out to Bishop and Bishop wasn't told much. She was just told that Ziva needed her to do something. This something was to meet with a man named Mir. Bishop was to give him a hundred thousand dollars in exchange for a flash drive and the flash drive should have been dropped off with

Odette.

Only Bishop didn't hand over the flash drive when the moment came. She first wanted answers because she was getting pretty sick and tired of being brought in without any answers to what was actually happening. Bishop first wanted to know what the flash drive held. She tried to get the truth from Odette and when that hadn't worked she then turned to her own team. Bishop later called everyone in to tell them what happened. She handed over the flash drive to McGee and McGee opened it for them.

There were a bunch of photos found on the flash drive. There was one photo of someone holding Ziva's friend Adam Eshel hostage and the team believes that's the photo Ziva was after, but before they could investigate further, Gibbs came in with Ziva. Ziva, as it turns out, hadn't known that Bishop was involved. Her friend Odette did that without her knowing so and the whole thing left Ziva upset. She truly hadn't wanted to involve anyone from the team. She wanted to look for Adam herself and thankfully Gibbs pushed through her stubbornness because he needed to know what was going.

Ziva was forced to explain everything. She said that Adam has been helping her. She said Adam infiltrated Sahar's group in order to get close to them and that he tipped off Ziva once he

found out the group was going after Gibbs. Unfortunately, that tip also outed him as a spy. He was then taken a hostage and Ziva wanted to rescue him. She quickly realized she wasn't up to the job by herself and so she did as Odette suggested. She relied on NCIS. The old team still cared enough for her to do her favor and so they didn't have a problem with tracking down the men from the photo.

It had been easy for them to find Adam. Adam was later found badly beaten but he would have been okay if they got him treatment in time. Ziva and Gibbs had tried moving him only first Adam had something to say. Adam said Sahar was still alive. The woman that they had killed had been decoy. The real Sahar was still out there and it seems Ziva did know her. Ziva just didn't know from where. She was looking for a reason on why this person wanted to destroy her life and Adam was just about telling her what it is when an explosion happened.

Ziva and Gibbs fell down an old shoot. They had inadvertently left Adam alone when he needed them and sadly it had taken them a while to get back to him. By time they did, it had been too late. Adam died from his injuries. There was nothing they could do to bring him back and so they focused on he gave them. He told them the real Sahar was still out there. She also appears to still have her henchmen and therefore Sahar was going to keep coming for Ziva if Ziva didn't stop her. Ziva was angry and so was Gibbs.

They thought this was all over. They now know that Sahar had used one of her underlings as a decoy and that the woman is shrouded in mystery. No one knows what she looks like. They don't know her motivations or how many people she still has at her back. Sahar was perhaps more dangerous than ever. The team tried getting answers and the only way they could do that was by using their dead henchman. The guy had a UV Stamp from the VIP room that Bishop frequented to get the flash drive.

This means Victor Mir knew more than he said. Bishop went back to the club with a better outfit and she got him to distance himself from his security team. When he was alone, the team moved in. They beat up Mir until he gave them answers and that's when he revealed that Sahar goes by the name Sarah. She was pretending to be a waitress with a kid. Her son name was Phineas and they were Gibbs's new neighbors. It seems Adam was telling Gibbs not Ziva that he knew her. Gibbs was close to Sarah and her son and he even consider them friends.

Then again it did explain why Sarah let her son hang out with a man whose house blew up. Parents would usually have been a little more cautious and so Gibbs wasn't as surprised as he thought he would be. He quickly went over to their house, but Sarah wasn't there. She's been leaving Phineas home alone while she "works" and she made the kid promise not to say anything because she told him it would look bad. Phineas was the only innocent in all of this. He didn't know why his mom was in trouble or why Gibbs was looking for her and so he made Gibbs promise that his mom would be okay.

Gibbs tried to get to Sarah first. Only Ziva beat him to it because she found out where Sarah was going to be from Mir and she was so set on wanting to kill her that she didn't tell anyone else what she was going to do. But the later between Ziva and Sarah hadn't gone Ziva's way. Sarah almost killed her and the only reason she didn't was because Gibbs showed up. Gibbs killed Sarah and he ended this. It seems had Sarah had done all of this because she was with Ziva's brother Ari and she wanted to avenge his death, but her plan failed. Sarah was dead and her son was now in Gibbs's care.

Gibbs was holding off on breaking the news to Phineas but eventually he'll tell the kid that his mom passed away.

In the Wind

Season 17

Episode Number: 389

Season Episode: 11

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Guest Stars: Cote de Pablo (Ziva David), Usman Ally (Victor Mir), Jack Fisher (Phineas), Alain Ali Washnevsky (Jamal Antar), Louise Barnes (Sarah), Karri Turner (Micki Kaydar), Jeremy Batiste (Security Guard Joe), Kate Rene Gleason (Jane), Zakary Risinger (Hurley), TaiVon McKinney (TSA Agent Tammy Gantry), Hugo Garcia (Ernie), Monica Day (Gloria), Roland Ruiz (Kenny), John Gloria (George Kaydar), Yvette Cason (Maureen), Hap Lawrence (Lenny), Phil Idrissi (Big Lou), Emelia Golfieri (Tali), Layla Golfieri (Tali)
Production Code: 17011
Summary: Gibbs must face the consequences of helping Ziva with "the one thing" she said she'd take care of before returning to her family.



Phineas was the most important thing. Phineas was left orphaned by Gibbs and Ziva's actions. His mother had technically been a bad guy, but with her death and his father gone, it was just Phineas that was left. He was alone in the world. There must have been a part of him that blamed Gibbs for it because he chose to later run away. He left behind a card that said "don't look for me" and he left. Gibbs didn't know about it until Sloane came over to check on Phineas. She wanted to see if she could help the little boy through his grief and she and Gibbs ended up finding Phineas's bed empty.

Both agents searched the room. They then found the note and went into panic mode. They called the local police and they called in everyone on the team. They wanted all hands on deck to look for Phineas. They figured he couldn't have gotten far if he was on foot and that had been their first mistake. They thought he was on foot when he wasn't. Phineas woke up a friend of his and bought the friend's bike. He had told Hurley that his mom was dead and that he needed to leave. He didn't tell his friend anything else.

Gibbs thanked Hurley when they finally got around to asking him about Phineas. He also became irrational as the day went on. Gibbs blames himself for Phineas running away because he was the one that left the kid motherless and so if anything happened to Phineas it was going to be Gibbs blaming himself for it. He needed to find this kid. He was desperate and the only one that seems to understand how bad it is was Torres. Torres was willing to do anything to find

Phineas. He joined Gibbs in nearly torturing a guy for information and even then they didn't find out much.

The team believes Phineas might have gone looking for his father. He has never met the man because he was raised by his aunt and uncle for a while and then his mom had collected him, but when Gibbs told Phineas that his mom was dead, the first thing he asked was if his father had done it. Which was a weird question for a boy to ask? Gibbs did try to get some answers from Phineas and Phineas quickly clammed up. He didn't want to talk so Gibbs left the room. That was the last time they spoke and so Gibbs had questions about this father.

He had his team dig into it. They had found Sahar's prison records that stated she gave birth in prison and that the little boy was given to a family in Aleppo. There was nothing about a father in the records. He wasn't listed on the birth certificate and he never tried to claim the child. Only the team tracked Phineas's movements. He sold the bike for cash and he bought a bus ticket to Philadelphia. He got off on one of the stops and then he got into a vehicle with an unidentified man that witnesses thought were Phineas's father.

The team didn't know who this man was. Ziva didn't even know. Ziva came back to help with the search and she was just as worried as everyone else. They weren't sure if this mystery man was the father or if he was a predator and so the team tried to give Gibbs some good news. They said that Sahar was wearing a tracker necklace. The necklace was one half of a heart and the other could have been given to Phineas. It could even explain how this mystery man had found him. The team, therefore, couldn't give up hope. They had a lead and they had Kasie. Kasie found footage of the mystery man from the bus stop.

It turns out it was the Victor. The guy they had tortured earlier and who swore he didn't know anything about Phineas. He of course lied. The truth is he probably knows the kid best and that's only because he used to suck up to Sahar all the time. He would buy her gifts as well as get something for Phineas. Phineas must have met him several times and that's why he was willing to leave with him, but Victor wasn't the sort to do a favor for nothing and so the team tried to figure out his angle. Why did he take Phineas?

It could have to do with Phineas's uncle. Phineas's father was a guard at the prison and Sahar slept with Ahmet with favors until she got pregnant. She thought Ahmet would be more inclined to her seeing as she was having his baby and instead he ended their relationship. Both romantically and the business one. Ahmet basically forced Sahar to give up her baby and she got revenge when she was released. She later hunted down Ahmet and stabbed him several times. She killed him so brutally that his gangster brother had put a price on her head.

This same brother also had an additional fee put out for whoever would return his nephew to him. The brother's name is Hassan Sayegh and he was dangerous. No one wanted to cross him. Victor probably wanted the payday and he tried taking Phineas out of the country, but Phineas was smart. He followed Rule #9. He always carries a knife and he accused the man pretending to be his father of planting it on him. And so Victor was arrested, while Phineas was detained until NCIS came and he was reunited with Gibbs.

Phineas was sorry for running away. He was just so scared of being given away that he didn't want that to happen again and so the team found his aunt and uncle for. They were the family that took him in from the orphanage. They also still missed him and wanted him back. So Phineas got to go home again and this time it's a stable environment.

He also wasn't the only one going home. Ziva finally got to tell the team her goodbyes and afterward she finally went home to DiNozzo and their daughter Tali.

Flight Plan

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Production Code: 17012
Summary: The NCIS team investigates an F-18 crash and subsequent disappearance of the pilot; McGee reluctantly discusses a very personal decision with his teammates.



McGee is getting a vasectomy. He and Delilah decided they were done with having children and after having a scare last month they both realized that it was going to be up to him to fix things. Hence the vasectomy. McGee was going to have the procedure done and Torres felt bad about it. They were discussing when the call came in. Gibbs and Bishop were called out to a Navy vessel because one of their pilots went missing and its possible she committed suicide. The pilot was Naval Lieutenant Rebecca Weeks.

Weeks was on a routine mission when she pulled away from the others. She then refused to answer all calls sent her way and both rescue and assistance teams were too far away to get to her. The next thing everyone knew Weeks was calling in to say she was sorry before she started her descent over the water. She didn't eject or anything and so everyone believed she killed herself. Her XO tried to claim that maybe she began losing oxygen and wasn't herself, but that doesn't explain her apology. She was clear-headed when she said she was sorry.

Gibbs and Bishop went out to the ship. They were going to check Weeks' bunk to check for a suicide note and they ended up coming across a body. The body was that of Petty Officer First Class Fisher Patrick. He seemingly died of an overdose. He overdosed and yet he didn't have a prescription for it while Weeks did. Weeks had an accident a month ago in which she was prescribed oxycodone. She still had some leftover pills in her bunk. There was also of her crushing some of those pills up and so the team suspected she might have drugged Patrick as a means of killing him.

Patrick and Weeks dated for a while. Then he dumped her because he said she was too old for him and so Weeks told her bunkmate that she was going to get him back for it. Her exact words were that she was going to make him pay. Weeks could have killed her ex-boyfriend and then killed herself in a murder/suicide. But later the team began suspecting she wasn't dead. She turned off the transmitter that would have been on her ejection seat and so odds are she did eject in time to avoid the crash.

The ejection seat also came with a water raft for one. She used that to row her way to the mainland and the team soon found evidence of just this. They also ran into someone who saw her alive and well. Weeks bought a couple of things from the store and she went on to steal a motorcycle. The team knew she was trapped on an island and so they didn't think she'd been able to escape, but then they learned that her godfather lived on the island. Retired Naval Commander Jack Briggs had lived nearby.

The team went to his house. They questioned him about Weeks and he told them she was long gone, but they found the motorcycle she ditched. She couldn't possibly make it far without the motorcycle. The team thought she was still at the house and they were in the middle of searching it when they heard the airplane. Weeks borrowed her godfather's airplane and she fled. The team traced her plane. They found it abandoned thirty miles away and they had no idea why she did that. She could have gone anywhere with that plan. Why stay in the United States?

Another weird thing is that Weeks later called Gibbs. She called to tell him that she hadn't killed her ex-boyfriend and not that surprisingly no one believed her. They were too intent on finding her. She landed the plane and then she stole a car from a junkyard. She also raided another car for parts. The last part didn't make sense because she was on the run and so why would take time away from that to steal parts. The team did some research on the car and they found out it belonged to Navy Commander Marshall May.

May was her Commanding Officer. He was deployed when his wife Jill used the car and got into a fatal car accident. Jill hadn't tried to use the brakes before she died, but for some reason, Jill started looking into this car accident for herself and it seems like she believed someone might have hacked the car. Jill also went back to the ship. She snuck aboard using someone's else ID and then she took May, a prisoner. She was later found with her gun on the Commander and she said she needed May's password to prove he killed his wife.

The team finally arrested Weeks, but she made them investigate May as well and they found evidence that he did hack his wife. He murdered his wife because they were having marital problems. His wife had even told Weeks days before that if she ever died that it would have been May that caused it. Weeks had been a family friend and at first, she hadn't wanted to believe that May killed his wife. She then told her boyfriend what she thought and he said he was going to tell NCIS.

Then Patrick died. It was made to look like Weeks did it and so Weeks believed it was May, but Weeks said Patrick was her boyfriend, not her ex-boyfriend. The team first heard that from Weeks's bunkmate. The same bunkmate that had been having an affair with May and who used his computer to murder his wife. So the team later arrested the real murderer and they cleared both May and Weeks's name.

But when the time came for McGee to go to his appointment, he was a little to freak to do it and so he talked it over with Gibbs.

And Gibbs to go through with it even if he then said "hell, no" when asked if he was a member of the "cut club".

Sound Off

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Guest Stars: Katie Leclerc (Marine Staff Sergeant Diana Murphy), William R. Moses (Edison Geary), David Burke (George Ingram), Peter Graham (Christopher Crane), Amir M. Korangy (Professor Zahir Najjar), Adam Zastrow (Ronald Kepczak), Timothy Hornor (Ian), Danny Brown (Sophie), Mo Beatty (Payload Operator)
Production Code: 17013
Summary: After a body is found at an unmanned aerial vehicle testing site, the NCIS team must determine if the death was murder or an accident. Also, Palmer carefully interviews medical examiner assistant candidates.



Palmer is looking for a new medical assistant. He's been putting it off since Ducky's retirement and the extra workload was beginning to get to him. Palmer was doing the work of two men. He was barely getting any sleep and it was slowing him down in the field. Everyone had noticed that he was off his game as they worked their latest case. They were investigating the murder of Retired Gunnery Sergeant Daniel Backer and the man had been blown up. There were pieces of him all over the place. It made it harder for

someone like Palmer to perform an autopsy on so many pieces and yet he tried to keep up with the rest of the team.

Palmer determined that Backer was dead before he blew up. He said the blood flow had seemingly stopped before the explosion and that was his proof that Backer had been dead for several hours. Even if the explosion did make everything harder. Palmer barely had all the pieces and the team was trying to figure out what happened. Backer was a drone testing field. He would have known better than to be in that area and so his body must have been moved to that location postmortem. There was also the woman manning the drone.

The woman was later identified as Marine Staff Sergeant Diana Murphy. Murphy ignored a direct order to not fire her drone and she did it anyway. She blew up Backer and as it turns out Backer was her ex-boyfriend. The team would have liked to have questioned Murphy, but she left the base and no one knows where she went. The MPs later found her at Backer's place. She went there for some reason and so that made the team believe even more that she was guilty. They thought she returned to the scene of the crime to revel in the murder.

They later brought Murphy in for questioning. They asked her several times about her relationship with Backer and she said she loved him. She said she would never think about hurting him. She went back to his place because he was the only one that she could trust and she said she hadn't known what to do after supposedly killing someone. Only Murphy didn't have an answer for why she failed to follow a command from her CO. She was panicking and so Gibbs tested her. He tested her with the Marine chant. And Murphy failed to hear him.

Murphy is deaf. She's been losing her hearing to the point where she can't hear her CO give her orders and she's been hiding it by reading people's lips. She's gotten very adept at that. She was following the investigation by reading lips. She was also hiding something and is refusing to say what happened though the team thinks they found out her secret. They learned that Murphy went with her boyfriend Backer as he was showing off a new long-range missile that uses sound rather than bullets and that she didn't have on her earmuffs when it tested it out for her.

It was this new weapon that caused Murphy to lose her hearing. At first, her ears were just ringing. She even thought she would get her hearing back and so Backer had helped her to cover it up. They were doing fine until she lost all of her hearing. She still wanted to cover it up and Backer told her that she had to inform her CO. They both knew what would happen once she did. She would lose her job and it would have been his fault. The team believed that was a good enough motive to kill Backer.

There was just one problem with that theory. She had an airtight alibi. Murphy was at work and she was seen work long after the window of opportunity had passed. She couldn't have killed Backer, but she was still hiding something. Each time they pushed her on it, she would give them something else and this last time she told them about Backer's stepbrother. It seems Backer and stepbrother have been fighting over the family home. The stepbrother, Ronald Kepczak, had had permission to be on the property in the beginning and that all changed after he put in a sound-proof studio.

Ron was a musician. He had needed someplace to practice and so he resented Backer for taking the studio from him. He just didn't hate him enough to kill him. Ron has an alibi for the night in question and so the team decided to check out the house for themselves. They wanted to see why Backer needed a sound-proof room and it turns out Backer was holding the sonic weapons there. The new ones that took his girlfriend's hearing. There was no reason why Backer had them in his possession and the only reason anyone could think of was that Backer was intending to sell this weapon to an arms dealer.

The team followed Backer's last movements and they learned more about him. They learned he forged his girlfriend's signature to get his hands on those weapons. He had even gotten into a fight with Murphy about those weapons and he told her he couldn't explain why he needed those weapons because it might put her at risk. That's what she was hiding. Murphy was hiding the fact her boyfriend was into something nefarious and she said she didn't tell anyone because she didn't want them to think of Backer that way.

Murphy still believes Backer was honorable. It didn't matter that he forged her signature or that he was having secret meetings. She said he must have had his reasons. The team, however, was skeptical. They investigated the people Backer was in contact with and they found out that Backer had stolen the weapons to prove a theory. He wanted to prove how harmful they were. He apparently had written several reports in the past about how faulty the weapons are and each of them had been buried.

They were buried by the private contractor in charge of those weapons. Mr. Geary buried the reports because he was trying to sell his share into the company, but he has an alibi and so the team asked who he was selling his shares to. Geary was selling his shares to George Ingram. Ingram was Murphy's CO when she blew up her boyfriend and he usually didn't handle field testing. He did it that day because he reassigned himself and so the team went looking for him. And they found him knocked unconscious at Murphy's place.

Ingram tried to attack Murphy, but she fought him off and it's a shame that she lost her job because she really is a great Marine.

And Gibbs must have been thinking the same because he found a job for her as a civilian liaison with a new military contractor.

On Fire

Season 17

Episode Number: 392

Season Episode: 14

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Production Code: 17014
Summary: After Torres and Bishop are victims of a hit-and-run, Torres fights for his life in the ICU.



Bishop and Torres were out on their morning run when a car came out of nowhere. Torres saw it coming and he had enough of his wits to push Bishop out of the way, but he was hit by the car. He was hit and worse he hit his head. It was the head injury that was serious. Torres had minor cuts everywhere else and so it was the head injury for his unconsciousness. He wasn't waking up. He was even flatlining at one point and so the doctors did everything they could for him while they waited for the neurosurgeon.

The neurosurgeon was the best in the country. She was being flown in to especially handle the situation with Torres and so the team could wait for her or they could make themselves useful. They eventually chose a useful road. Bishop was an eyewitness and she could describe the car as well as give a partial plate. She could have been more helpful if she left the hospital, but she wasn't ready to leave the hospital just yet and so McGee and Gibbs handled the case. They got other eyewitnesses and they used their statements to form an opinion.

The team found out this sports car was a menace. He's been a menace for the past week and so he's a new arrival. Combined that with the partial plate also gave Kasie a name. The name is Xavier Zolotov. He was a spoiled trust fund baby and he gets away with everything. He's been in trouble before, but it never sticks and so Bishop tried to get him for this. She left the hospital

in order to arrest and question Xavier. She barely leaned on him when he later confessed to everything. He admitted to being the driver and then he asked when he was going to be released because he said he had a flight to catch.

Bishop and McGee had thought he was delusional. They got his confession and they thought that's all they needed to send him to jail, but again, Xavier was able to walk away from the damage he caused. He pulled some strings and he was released from NCIS custody. It turns out Xavier has friends in high places within the Russian government. He got his friends to lean on the US government and they in turned leaned on Director Vance. Vance was told to drop it and he was asked to retire when he didn't.

But Vance still wasn't giving up. Vance has important friends too and he asked Gibbs to buy him time. Gibbs tried to do just that. He went back to Xavier's place and he arrested the man's wife Layla Zolotov. He technically had on animal cruelty because she has a pet baby tiger. They also said she was a flight risk and so that meant she wouldn't get bail. The team thought this would be enough to derail Xavier's plans, but it wasn't. He didn't care that his wife was under arrest. He was willing to abandon her and still catch his flight. And so Bishop snapped.

Bishop told McGee that she was going to kill Xavier. She meant what she said and the look in her eye scared McGee. He wasn't going to let his friend commit an assassination. She'd get caught for one and he might go to jail as well. So, McGee tried to stop Bishop. He told her not to do anything stupid and she promised she would calm down. She said she'd go back to the office to work on the case. Bishop swore she'd go to the office and yet she never went there and McGee found out about it the next morning.

McGee even spoke to Sloane because he was that worried about Bishop. He told the psychologist that Bishop was coming off at the rails and so Sloane later talked to Gibbs. She asked Gibbs to bench Bishop. She thought that's what was best for the agent and Gibbs shot it down. Gibbs wasn't going to bench anyone. Not even if he believed Bishop was dangerous. He thought he could talk to Bishop and stop her from anything stupid, but he wasn't in the best place to judge anyone else and so Bishop ended up ignoring everything he said.

The team was also stuck with the whole stopping Xavier from leaving the country. They turned to Sloane for help and she said the best way to get to him was to get to his side-chick. He was down a wife already, he couldn't afford to lose his girlfriend as well. The team went looking for the girlfriend and they later identified her as Colleen Kennedy. They then went to her apartment where they found a dead Xavier. His girlfriend wasn't there though and so that led to a few questions. Like, who killed Xavier?

The team's best bet, if they didn't want to believe it was Bishop, meant they had to believe it was Colleen. Colleen at first glance didn't seem like the type to kill someone, but they looked into her background. She was another trust fund kid. She and her sister inherited a boatload of money from their parents and then the sister died of a suspected heroin overdose. The sister was in the navy and they had questions. They sent in an undercover NCIS agent who happened to be Torres. He "dated" Colleen and he collected evidence on her.

The evidence at the time hadn't been enough to arrest Colleen for the murder of her sister, but new evidence has since been found and a new case was being put together. This case was going to rely on Torres's testimony and so that's when he had his "accident". Colleen arranged for her boyfriend to get rid of Torres for her. She then took care of the boyfriend and she also tried sneaking into the hospital to make sure Torres dies. Only the team found her first and so they arrested her for the attempted murder on Torres.

They couldn't get her for the murder of Xavier because there was no evidence proving she did it. She also denied killing her boyfriend and so there was a chance she didn't kill him. But then who did?

Lonely Hearts

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Guest Stars: Don Lake (Retired Captain Phillip Brooks), Daphne Zuniga (Stacy Gordon), Andy Comeau (Detective Tom Logan), Brynn Thayer (Sheriff Mary Talbot), Brian Ames (Matthew Duques), Desi Dennis-Dylan (Sloane Jackston), Caroline Whitney Smith (Molly), Bryce McBratnie (Chet)
Production Code: 17015
Summary: The lead suspect in an NCIS murder investigation is a woman Gibbs' friend, Phillip Brooks (Don Lake), met on a dating site. Also, Sloane has a secret admirer on Valentine's Day.



Torres was back at work. He was going stir-crazy being at home and so he came back to work early. He couldn't have come at a better time. The team had a new case. They were called to the scene of an apparent homicide that happened on a popular hunting trail and their victim was identified as Navy Captain Alan Wales. Wales was found dead and in his underwear. His clothes were found nearby behind a log along with some identification. Wales was also shot to death. He was shot by an arrow straight

into the heart and then left to rot for weeks.

Wales has been dead for approximately six weeks before he was found. Prior to that, he was on the dating app known as Fleet Date and it was used by navy personnel. The team looked into his usage of this app. They figured his date might have been the last person to see him alive and so they found her. Her name is Stacy Gordon. She's since moved on from Wales and she was dating Gibbs's friend Phil. Phil and Stacy have been together for four weeks. She was dating Wales before and the relationship ended because she thought he ghosted her.

Stacy also wasn't that disappointed by Wales's death. He was a player and she believed he was seeing other people behind her back. Stacy had an alibi as well. She was out of town for work and there were plenty of witnesses to back that up. Stacy wasn't their culprit. They were looking for someone who wanted to humiliate Wales. They stripped him down so that he could be found naked and they shot him in the heart because they thought that was the only way to break it. And so Sloane said they were looking for someone who felt humiliated themselves.

Someone like one of the women Wales could have been juggling. The team were looking into it when they were notified about the similarities of their case to another case. This second victim was Chief Petty Officer Craig Olson and he was murdered by being shot in the heart by an arrow.

He was also on the dating app Fleet Date. He had been seeing several women and one of them turned out to be Stacy. Stacy was the only connection between Olson and Wales. She was either killing these men herself or someone close to her was doing it.

The team decided to investigate the first theory. They found out that Stacy had a few days off while she was working in Atlanta and so they suspected she used that time to drive back to town to kill Wales. She also did not have an alibi for Olson. The team suspected she killed both men and so they brought her in for questioning. Stacy came of her own accord. She didn't bring a lawyer and she answered all of the questions. Stacy held nothing back. She told them that she was watching movies in her hotel room when Wales died and she also added that she had no reason to kill the men.

She didn't care about them. They were just dating and Stacy claimed it was all a coincidence. She even repeated herself when Gibbs brought up her late husband. Stacy used to be married to Mark Tucker and his death had been accident. He supposedly died after a fall. He was drinking and he lost his balance. The local police had written it off as an accident. They also refused to hear a bad word about Stacy because she grew up in the area and the local sheriff had taught her how to shoot with a bow and arrow.

The team had looked photos of her late husband's accident. They could tell from the pictures that the story about it being an accident didn't match up with the wounds and so the team believed Stacy killed her husband as well. They wanted to test her hair against the hair they had found on the arrow point. Only Stacy wasn't going to give them a sample of her hair. They had to use Phil and so Phil tried to grab a piece of his girlfriend's hair. And unfortunately she caught him stealing the hair from her brush.

Stacy broke up with Phil. She also gave him a sample of her hair as a parting gift and so the test still had it tested. It came back as a negative. Stacy wasn't their killer and they ruined her relationship with Phil. Phil fell into a depression after the breakup. He began singing breakup songs and drinking milk. He was so depressed that he said he wanted to be like Gibbs and Gibbs told him he deserved better. Gibbs later returned to work. He and the team found another link between the men.

They found out both men were taking meth. They were buying it from a nutritionist who ran a supplemental pill company and neither of them men knew that the pills they were buying had meth in them. They just thought that they were buying virility pills. The nutritionist withheld several facts from them, but he wasn't their killer. He was seriously injured months ago and his shoulder was never right again. He didn't have it in him to use a bow and arrow. Gibbs was just wondering where to go next when he got a call from Phil.

Phil called because he went by Stacy's place. He said someone had broken in and he also believed they were still in the house. No sooner did he say that the phone call was cut off. The team raced to Stacy's home and they didn't find her or Phil. They did however run into the sheriff from Stacy's hometown. It turns out the sheriff is a friend. She covered up the husband's murder because he was abusive and Stacy was only fighting back. Stacy's husband's family was also quite vindictive and that's why they covered up what happened.

The sheriff mentioned how the family still blamed Stacy anyways. She also said that the only person that didn't blame Stacy was her husband's cousin, Tom Logan. Logan was sweet on Stacy and he recently moved into the area. The team went looking for him and they were told he didn't show up to work. Logan was the one behind everything. He kidnapped Stacy and Phil because he thought killing Phil would mean he and Stacy get to be together. And so Stacy burst his bubble.

She told him she never loved him. Logan was going to kill both her and Phil when the team found them and Gibbs killed Logan.

Phil also managed to get Stacy to take him back and so it was a happy valentine's day for everyone.

And that includes Torres who took some time away to rest up.

Ephemera

Season 17

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Guest Stars: Nike Doukas (Marie Stanhope), Gregory Itzin (Spencer Downing), K Callan (Bertha Jones-Delacroix), Joe Renteria (Retired Navy Master Chief Arturo 'Art' Amador)
Production Code: 17016
Summary: While investigating the suicide of a retired Navy officer who left a rare, valuable — and possibly stolen — coin to the National Museum of the Navy, the team imagines themselves in his life story in order to piece together how the coin ended up in his possession.



Retired Navy Master Chief Arturo Amador was found dead at his home. He killed himself. He went to great lengths to make sure everything was perfect and he was even wearing a suit when he was found. Amador didn't explain why he killed himself, though. It could have been the loneliness because he was listening to an old romance song when he died and he made sure his last moments were staring a picture of an old girlfriend. Amador also could have killed himself because of a coin. He had given a rare dollar coin

that was worth seven figures to a friend and this friend confirmed how rare it was. She was going over to ask Amador about it when she learned he was dead.

This friend worked at the Navy Museum. Amador worked there as well. He had retired from the Navy and he took up a position as a volunteer at the museum. He, therefore, knew his coin was worth something. He was surrounded by rare artifacts all day and he should have been able to recognize what he had. Maybe that's why he gave it to his friend. The team investigated Amador's death and it was ruled a suicide. There was also something else that Palmer found. Palmer found out Amador was dying from a tumor. He would have lost most of his faculties by the end. And so that could explain why he decided to kill himself.

What the team couldn't figure out was where the coin came into play. The team investigated Amador's life and they identified the girl in the picture. Her name was Annie. She and Amador fell in love at first sight and they wanted to get married only her father refused to give his blessing. Annie's father thought she deserved better than a poor sailor. He came between Annie and Amador and Amador seems to have lashed out against him because of it. Amador's and Annie's letters mentioned a coin. A coin that her father owned and that Amador managed to get a hold of. The team was wondering how he got the coin when someone stepped forward with a claim.

Spencer Downing came forward with the claim that the coin belonged to his family. He said Amador stole it from them fifty years ago. Spencer was the brother to Annie and he told them what happened in March of 1972. Amador came over. He tried to get their father's blessing and not long after he was refused — the coin went missing. Spencer said his father always suspected Amador. The family thought he was a gold digger and they had been happy when his relationship with Annie went nowhere. Annie also died a few months later. She reportedly had thyroid disease and she passed away within weeks of the coin going missing.

Only Spencer didn't know the full story. His sister continued to see Amador long after their father rejected him and Amador had even given her a ring. There were receipts to back it up. Amador still proposed to Annie and she said yes. Her father threw her ring in the fire when he saw it. He thought that could stop them and it didn't. Annie and Amador still saw each other. Not that it was perfect. They were seen arguing and the police were called. The police didn't Amador. They gave him a warning and it was written that he had a coin in his pocket. The team believed that Annie must have found out about the coin and that's why she argued with her fiancé.

Another thing the team found is that Annie's death wasn't from thyroid disease. Palmer looked at her symptoms when she died and she was clearly poisoned. Which makes her death a murder. The best suspect for her murder was her fiancé and thankfully he had an alibi. He was overseas in Vietnam when she died. Her killer must have been someone close to home and so the team investigated it. They later reopened Annie's coffin. They found evidence of her being poisoned and they also found her wearing her engagement ring. The same ring her father destroyed by throwing into a fire.

The team needed to get a better picture of her relationship with Amador so they read the couple's love letters. The couple constantly wrote to each other and they used Annie's Aunt Bertha as an intermediary. Bertha was the only one in Annie's family that approved of the relationship. She was all set for them getting engaged and she later returned Amador's letters after Annie died. But who killed Annie? She was consistently poisoned for weeks. It couldn't have been her boyfriend and so it had to be a family member. The team looked at her brother. Her brother was passed over in the family company and not long after that happened his sister began getting sick.

The team first considered her father because he never approved of Amador, but her father had a change of heart after she got sick and he gave her, her ring back. He had it reset so that she could wear it at the hospital. She must have still been in love with Amador if she wanted to wear and so that ruled him as well. Her killer had to be her brother. They even figured out how he did. They found out that Annie had been given poisonous stamps. She was slowly poisoned each time she wrote to Amador and so the team proved it by tricking the brother into giving up his DNA. And they also heard from Aunt Bertha.

Aunt Bertha is still alive and well. She was the one that explained the coin. She said Annie stole it and that Annie was going to use that to fund a new life for them. She later told Amador what she did and he told her that he was being shipped out. The couple argued about it. Annie didn't want him risking his life and so that's the fight the police interrupted. It had nothing to do with the coin. Annie still held onto the coin and so Aunt Bertha ended up giving it to Amador after Annie's funeral. She wanted him to remember Annie and Amador held onto the coin for sentimental value.

He only gave up on the coin because he knew it could fund a wing at the Navy Museum. Plus, he was already dying and so he didn't need a coin to remember Annie when he was going to be seeing her soon anyway.

And so the coin got to stay with the Navy Museum.

In a Nutshell

Season 17

Episode Number: 395

Season Episode: 17

Originally aired: Tuesday March 10, 2020
Writer: Katie White
Director: Michael Zinberg
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Guest Stars: Gary Hudson (Detective John Fioscher), Abby Carter (Claire O'Donnell), Paul Johansson (Porter Brandt), Logan Pepper (Dylan), Damien Leake (Henry Bennett), Victoria Barnes (Whitley), Allene Quincy (Goth Wannabe), Susan Louise O'Connor (Woman in Cat Sweater), Danny Max (News Reporter)
Production Code: 17017
Summary: The NCIS team investigates the death of a Navy officer murdered the same way as his parents a decade ago. They stumble across a storage container filled with dollhouses that display recreations of murder scenes. Also, the team agrees to clean out their living spaces, but some have a harder time saying goodbye to their possessions than others.



A teenager ran someone over. She was arguing with her friend about something on his cell phone and neither of them saw anyone or were even sure what they hit. They merely felt the bump in the road. They were at least responsible for it and they later got out of the car to check on what they hit. They thought it would be Bambi and instead it was Petty Officer Third Class Noah O'Donnell. He had been dead long before the car road over him. A later examination proved he had been shot twice in the chest and once in the

head. He had been executed. The team brought in to investigate the why and they started out by checking up on their victim.

O'Donnell was an Intelligence Expert with Quantico. He also taught self-defense during his off-hours at the community center. He seemed like a good guy and the only family he had left was his sister Claire. His sister's cell phone last pinged mere moments before O'Donnell's murder. There hasn't been anything since then and so the sister was considered missing. The team wanted to find her. They also wanted to solve another mystery that occurred. There was a detective poking around and he told O'Donnell to keep the man's murder a secret. The detective that did this was John Fischer. He also worked a murder investigation involving O'Donnell's parents.

His parents were murdered years ago. They were murdered by a homeless man who was mentally ill and the crime itself had rocked their small community. The detective didn't want the circus to happen again just because there was a third murder within the same family. Fischer had wanted to bury what happened and so the team wrought him off. They thought he was

being too cautious. It wasn't until they looked into the parents' murder that they could find a connection. The parents were killed at their house and both O'Donnell and wandered the streets afterward. They were found in the same location where O'Donnell's body was later found.

The team had gone looking for Claire. They figured she knew what happened that night better than anyone else and unfortunately they couldn't find her. Claire was an odd one. She would haunt her parents' old home and the team went there. They found the house condemned. It had been bought and sold several times with no one choosing to stay. It also didn't help that Claire kept visiting the house. She would haunt the place and sometimes she used it as a studio. She created dollhouses there. The dollhouses she created were pretty unusual. They depicted gruesome murders and so the team turned to Sloane for help.

The team assumed Claire was unwell. The truth is she was using these scenes to help her understand murder. There was a genuine study behind this and Claire was using it because she wanted to understand her own parents' murder. Her parents were killed in the same way as her brother O'Donnell. It could have been a copycat or the real killer could have killed again. The team wasn't sure of which and they needed to speak to Claire. She was either their suspect or a possible target. Her disappearance wasn't looking good for her and everyone in her former town had assumed she was their killer.

They were staking out her old house. They knew she always returned to the crime scene and so they went there because they thought Claire would show up at her old home. Except they were wrong. Claire has a new place to haunt and so the team went to where her brother's body was found. They found Claire stalking the place as usual. She was trying to talk to her brother and the team had no idea if she was expecting a response or not. They were still trying to talk to Claire. They told her that they wanted to help and they got her to come in. They later asked her if she killed her brother.

Claire said "yes". She said she couldn't stop thinking about their parents' murder and she thought if she created a "nutshell" about it that she would find peace. She even enlisted her brother's help. She thinks her brother found something and that's what got him killed. She also blames herself for what happened. She thought if she had just let it go that her brother would still be alive and so the team looked into it. They found out that O'Donnell was investigating his parents' murder. He must have found something because he was later killed over it and so the team was retracing his steps. They wanted to find what he found.

The homeless that were suspected of murdering the parents had died. He died in federal custody and so no one wanted to pay for his body to be exhumed for DNA. It was never proven this homeless man murdered the parents. The detective working the case was never able to close it and yet the team knew the killer was still out there. Claire had an alibi for her brother's murder. She was spotted miles away and so that didn't explain why the tweezers that were used on her brother's dead body was found in her studio. It looked like someone was trying to frame Claire for her brother's murder.

Claire was also at risk. Her whole family was murdered and she could just as easily be next. The team moved to protect her. They also tried to get her to come out of her shell. Claire was a very quiet person. She didn't really come alive until she was talking about her dollhouses and so Gibbs and Sloane used them to connect to Claire. They solved the murders that the doll represented. They also found out her brother had created one of them. O'Donnell recreated a supposed electrical fire that was an actual murder. He must have figured that out and so the team came to suspect he was murdered because of it.

The team suddenly found themselves investigating a scene created out of dolls. The victim in this scene was Louise Fitzgerald. She was a former neighbor of the brother and sister. She used to cook meals for them after their parents died. She had been a very good friend and she had supposedly died in the electrical fire. Even the fire investigator thought it was an accident. No one other than O'Donnell took a closer look at her case and so the team did. They found out she had been robbed before killed. She was attending self-defense at the community center and it had been O'Donnell as well co-teacher.

He was stealing from her. He was heavily in debt and he killed her to hide what he did. O'Donnell must have found about it. He confronted his friend and his friend killed him. He then made it look like O'Donnell was killed by the same person who murdered his parents. The friend was trying to frame Claire for it and so the team arrested their guy before he could hurt her any further.

Claire was finally given closure and she agreed to meet with the detective who had never given up on her parents' case.

The team also donated a bunch of their old stuff to VA and everyone was surprised when Bishop gave away things she genuinely.

It didn't seem like her and so they were concerned.

Schooled

Season 17

Episode Number: 396

Season Episode: 18

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Guest Stars: Kate Hamilton (Faith Tolliver), Jeremiah Birkett (Dean Neil Patterson), Chelsea Tavares (Ramona Whistler), Patrick Cage (Taye Tanner), Iris Bahr (Beverly Berkshire), Matthew Ashford (Rick Martel), Joshua Dov (Portland Douglas), Amari O'Neil (Edgar), Armen Nahapetian (Allen), Dean Parker (College Kid)
Production Code: 17018
Summary: The team searches for answers when the body of a well-regarded Navy technician in the Reserves is found floating in a lake where a popular community event is being held. Also, Sloane is caught off-guard when her daughter, Faith, makes an unexpected request.



The 8th Annual Duck Dunk became a crime scene. A couple of kids who were trying to cheat at the event had released the duck far from the crowd and that's how they found the dead body. The body belonged to Petty Officer First Class Jeremy Whistler. He was strangled and then tossed into the river. It was a good thing he had his military ID still on him. The team used that to identify him and they searched his remains for what else he may have had with him. They found a cell phone. Whistler was called several

times by his wife. She was asking him where he was and she seemed worried. There was also a call from an unknown number. This person left a message in which they threatened to murder the Whistler the next time he saw them and so that was their first lead.

They could tell from the call that voicemail belonged to a woman. They knew she must have been angry about something and yet the team couldn't figure out what. Their victim was a saint. He volunteered everywhere and he had a life full of friends. Whistler never did anything controversial or bad. His wife couldn't even think of anyone who would be angry with and so the team went digging. They later connected the voicemail with Beverly Berkshire. She attended class with Whistler at Aspire Technical College and they were lab partners. They were working out just fine when Beverly found out someone used their computer to hack into the school's student financial data.

Beverly knew it was Whistler. She told the team that everyone believed he was a saint and the whole time he was the devil. Whistler was the hacker known as TerrorCastor. He would target the elderly and defraud them. He was high up on the FBI Cybercrimes Most Wanted. He was

a really bad guy and Beverly knew his secret. She just couldn't do anything about it. She had priors for fraud and so she knew no one would believe her about Mr. Perfect. Beverly told the team everything. They went digging and they found out she was right. Whistler was dirty. The man had even been stabbed recently.

Palmer found evidence of it. He later told the team and so they used that information to confront Whistler's widow. She once claimed that her husband was a good man. They now have evidence to show differently and so they confronted her with it. They asked her what her husband was really doing. She told them some sob story about their daughter was born with a condition and that they are nearly bankrupt to get treatment for her. She even tried to claim her husband hated what he had to do. She said that's why he was going to school and so the team told her what they found. Whistler went to that school to find a new victim. He didn't care about getting an education and he wasn't some Robin Hood.

Whistler hurt a lot of people. The team wanted to know who did he drive to stab him and so the wife told them that had been Whistler's best friend. His name was Tye Tanner. He and Whistler used to run wild as kids. They each had long juvie records and they must have had a falling out later on. McGee and Torres went to pick him. They had had to chase him and so they really wanted Sloane's thoughts on him when they brought him, but she was preoccupied. Sloane's biological daughter has come back into her life. Her daughter Faith was getting married and going through fertility treatments. She also wanted to know who her father was.

Sloane had no idea how to tell Faith she was raped. She had gotten drunk at a party and she asked a friend to take her home. He used that. He got her alone and he raped her. Sloane found out she was pregnant six weeks later and she joined the army after the adoption. The rest was history. Sloane had never wanted Faith to learn the truth. She had put her up for adoption to protect her and so she at first didn't want to tell Faith the truth. She had wanted to hide it as she did back then. She had even talked about it with Gibbs and Gibbs like a really great friend had offered to find the guy for her. He asked for a name. She told him "no" and she said that's why she never wanted to tell him. She never wanted to be thought of as a victim who needed saving.

Sloane has been living with this for thirty years. She wanted to put it behind her and so she made Gibbs promise to forget it. Gibbs ended up going back to his case. He and McGee questioned Tanner. They found out Tanner and Whistler had been selling internet security (once they finished infecting said computers). The guys had moved the money they made to an offshore account and one day all the money was gone. Tanner blamed Whistler. He pulled a knife and he stabbed his best friend. The two naturally had a falling out and they never talked again. The team had no idea why Whistler turned on his best friend.

They thought maybe they could ask around at the school. There was just one little problem with that. The school had been completely abandoned and no one knows what happened to Aspire Technical College. The website was gone. The vending machines were gone and no one was answering the phone. It turns out Aspire Technical College was a pop-up scam school. The scammers started a school in which they helped people fill out loan papers and then once they got the money they would shut up shop. They would even move on to start a new school somewhere else. The person behind the school had been caught out. They tried to con a con-man and Whistler realized what they were doing.

Whistler had gone legit. He stole money from his best friend to pay back all the people he coned and he wanted to start over at the school. But when he found out what they were doing, he blackmailed them to keep the school open because he still wanted to start over. The people behind scam then posed as students to find out who was blackmailing them and then they killed Whistler. The team found evidence and they got their bad guys.

Sloane meanwhile talked to her daughter and her daughter had figured out the truth. She was a doctor and she recognized the look on Sloane's face. She knew she was the product of rape. She also realized that her mother gave her up so that she could have a better life and in an odd way the truth brought them closer together.

Blarney

Season 17
Episode Number: 397
Season Episode: 19

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Writer: Scott Williams
Director: Rocky Carroll
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Guest Stars: Leif Gantvoort (Max Devendorf), Shahine Ezell (Lenny), Bellina Logan (Commander Roberta Stock), Scott Deckert (Bobby), Connie Jackson (Elaine), Scott Christopher (Detective Edmund Kerrigan), Siri Miller (Melissa Spagnolo), Casey Leach (Danny Spagnolo), Harvey J. Alperin (Henry Mantell), Selina Kaye (Phyllis), Mario Ardila Jr. (Shayne Garcon), Linsay Rousseau (M.P.D. Cop)
Production Code: 17019
Summary: Three gun thugs fleeing a failed robbery enter the diner where Palmer and Kasie are eating. A hostage situation ensues.



There was a body found at the Navy Recruiting Office. It was technically dropped off at one of their dumpsters and because of its proximity to the actual building, it became a case for NCIS. NCIS took the case from MPD. They walked in on a scene where the body had already been moved and they had no other evidence. The team had to go hunt down the body. They thankfully received some help from MPD to identify their victim. Their victim's name is Daniel Spagnolo. He was a petty crook and the team didn't know

what he was up to. They were doing their best to find out. Palmer in the meantime had some time to kill so he grabbed breakfast. He even ran into Kasie while he was there.

They got to talking. Palmer and Kasie had breakfast together. They were having their breakfast when a bully started barking out the server and both Palmer and Kasie spoke up. They detested bullies. They didn't believe the server deserved that time of treatment and so they got the bullies to back off. Or at least that's what they thought happened. They were talking about the bullies with one of the servers and she mentioned how they came in every day being rude. The bullies mostly paid attention to the store across the street. Kasie saw them go into that store and it wasn't long before all the patrons at the diner began hearing gunshots.

It turns out the bullies were thieves. They robbed the jewelry store across the street and they came across some armed guards. One of the thieves was even injured. They couldn't get to their car fast enough and so they ran back into the diner to take cover. The thieves were there as the team tried calling Palmer. Palmer was needed to do an autopsy because the body was finally delivered and everyone was wondering where Palmer was. He was unfortunately caught up in a hostage situation. He and Kasie were at the mercy of the thieves. They along with the rest of the diners and staff were in incredibly danger.

Their situation was so bad that it aired on the news. That's how the team found out about their friends and so they quickly went down there. Gibbs even called the diner. He called and he asked for Palmer. They put Palmer on the phone. Palmer managed to tell them that it was three guys and one of them was injured before the phone was taken from his hands and so that told Gibbs all he needed to know. The team was working with the hostage negotiators to get their friends out of there. Their friends, however, were doing their best to survive. Kasie was asked to help the injured guy and so she bandaged his wound.

Kasie also asked the thieves if they could release the pregnant woman. The pregnant woman assured her she wasn't due for several more weeks and so she promised Kasie that she was fine. She didn't seem anxious to leave which sounded odd. The pregnant woman should be the first to want to leave and her not going seemed suspicious. Kasie didn't really think about that because she was focused on everything else. There had been a hero who tried to take the gun from one of the thieves. He got shot and so did one of the thieves. Kasie and Palmer were both forced to help out the thief because a gun was pointed at them.

The thieves were Lenny, Bobby, and Max. Max was the one in charge. He had apparently killed their fourth earlier that morning and he said he did it because the man had been too mouthy. As it happens the hostage situation was connected to the murder the team was investigating. The team had been working on their end and so they found out their victim was supposed to be in on the heist. His friends killed him first. They then tried to carry out the heist without him and they failed. They failed because they were one person short. They didn't account for that and so that's how everything got screwy.

The thieves had their diamonds, but no way of getting alive. Bobby even died from his wounds. Max and the others had hidden the diamonds in condoms and swallowed them. He, therefore, needed Palmer to cut Bobby up. He didn't want to lose out on the diamonds that Bobby had swallowed and so Palmer went digging. Palmer didn't know what he was looking for at first. It was Kasie that filled him because she had been there when Max talked to Gibbs and so she told him about their commitment to the diamonds. It also helped them to figure out a plan. They pretended the condom had ruptured inside of Bobby.

They said whoever swallowed the diamonds could be bleeding internally. They freaked out Lenny who turned himself in and they created a diversion with Max that allowed Gibbs to sneak upon him. Palmer and Kasie did great work. They took down two harden criminals with the power of suggestion and some eye-drops in their ice tea.

Palmer and Kasie were heroes.

And they even saved the pregnant woman.

The Arizona

Season 17

Episode Number: 398

Season Episode: 20

Originally aired: Tuesday April 14, 2020
Writer: Gina Lucita Monreal
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Guest Stars: Christopher Lloyd (Joseph Smith), Peter Murnik (Navy Four-Star Admiral Michael Caplinger), Sebastian Sozzi (Kevin Deacon), Dawn Matthews (Dr. Alice Jelani), Sofie Calderon (Joan)
Production Code: 17020
Summary: While investigating an off-base burglary at an Admiral's residence, NCIS becomes involved in a case of an older man that claims to be a Pearl Harbor survivor. He wishes to have his remains buried on the USS Arizona.



A returning serviceman came home to find his house broken into. Admiral Michael Caplinger came home after months at sea and he found his home tossed, his wife missing, and blood on the floor. The belief is that the blood belongs to Caplinger's wife Gloria. Gloria wasn't at the house and she wasn't answering her cell phone. Caplinger thought his wife might have been taken. He called NCIS and they searched the home. They later found something missing. They found out that Caplinger's daughter's Purple Heart

was stolen from a glass display and that whoever broke in had cut themselves on the glass. And so that at least explained the blood.

The missing wife was cleared up as well. Gloria had stayed with a friend and her cell phone had been off. She called her husband back the moment she turned her phone again. Gloria was okay and so the team wasn't dealing with a missing person or someone in danger. They were dealing with mere theft. The Purple Heart was stolen and the thief had even left behind a message. They asked to meet him later at a motel. The team went there. They ran into a man who identified himself as Joseph Smith and he was ninety-five years old. The old man wasn't a threat to anyone. He also wasn't denying stealing the Purple Heart.

Smith said he stole it. He hidden it somewhere and he wasn't going to return it until he got what he wanted. Smith wanted his ashes to be interred on the USS Arizona. He wrote to Admiral Caplinger to explain to him how he had served on the ship under his brother's name because he technically took young to join the Navy on his own and that he had been there during the Pearl Harbor Attack. Smith said he swerved during WWII. He now just wants to make sure that his service was acknowledged and Caplinger had turned him down. Caplinger couldn't approve of Smith's request because it was nearly impossible to prove.

Caplinger had turned Smith down. Smith later got revenge by breaking into the man's house and stealing a Purple Heart. He didn't know the Purple Heart belonged to Caplinger's late daughter. She died to receive that award. Her grandfather had been so proud of him that he engraved the Purple Heart with a special message and he died two months later. The Purple Heart was very important to the Caplinger family. They wanted it back and Smith was only going to give it back when NCIS proved he served on the USS Arizona. Smith told the team his story. He said he took his brother Henry's name and so the team just had to prove it.

They searched the records. They found a picture which could be Smith or it could be his brother. There was no way of proving who it was because Henry Smith didn't "like" photos and so the team had a hard time giving Smith what he wanted. They checked his scars. His scars were old and they do seem to be caused by a terrible fire. This wasn't enough to prove he was there. Several servicemen were thrown from the blast into the ocean and so the burns alone weren't enough. Smith needed to give them details. He needed to talk to them and the team had a hard time getting him there.

Smith thought they could prove he was on the ship with DNA. He didn't want to tell them about the worst day in his life and so Gibbs used an old trick he had with his dad. He brought Smith a project. He gave Smith a busted projector and he had him fix it. Smith. He also spotted some of the scenes were showing the destruction of the USS Arizona and so that shut him right up. Smith said he wasn't going to talk about that day. He refused to talk about that day and the team was getting nowhere with finding the Purple Heart on their own. They found out Smith had taken a cab to the Admiral's home. They tried to speak to the cab driver and he took off before they could chase him.

The cab driver was their best lead. Without him, the team had nothing and Caplinger didn't want to play the old man's games. He wanted that Purple Heart back. He wanted to press charges if he couldn't get it back and so Vance was willing to charge Smith. Smith was guilty of the crime. He was also a known con artist. His history showed that he had been in and out of trouble most of his adult life. He could have lied about being about the USS Arizona as well. Sloane said it could be stolen valor and that Smith wanted the recognition that his brother received. And so Gibbs went back to Smith intent on proving her wrong.

Smith reminded Gibbs of his dad. He didn't want to believe Smith was lying and so he pushed Smith into talking about that day. It was the only way to clear all of this up. He pushed and he pushed until Smith was finally talking. Smith talked about the worst day of the life. He talked about his pain and how he wanted to be laid to rest with the only family he has ever known. Smith convinced Gibbs. Gibbs then gave him his signature promising to inter Smith's ashes with his brothers. Gibbs didn't really have the authority to do so and yet it got Smith to open up. Smith revealed where he hid the Purple Heart.

He said he hid in the air vent at the motel. Gibbs and Smith went there together and the Purple Heart wasn't there. Smith had been so confused. He had a heart attack and that's when the truth came out. Smith was dying. He was dying and he had dementia. He couldn't really remember everything. He just knew he hid the Purple Heart in a vent and so the team searched the vents at the Caplinger home. That's where they later found the Purple Heart. They would have liked to have told Smith they found it only he died. He passed away in his sleep. After he died, his body was autopsied and they found shrapnel embedded into his arm. And this proved that he served on the USS Arizona.

Joseph Smith's ashes were interred with the ship he served on. The team was able to carry through his final wishes and Gibbs personally saw to it himself.

Season Eighteen

Sturgeon Season

Season 18
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Season Episode: 1

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Writer: Scott Williams
Director: Michael Zinberg
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Guest Stars: Victoria Gabrielle Platt (NCIS Special Agent Veronica Tyler), Brian Stepanek (Karl Chunk / Homeless Guy / Arda Dogan), Wendy Worthington (Gila Shaw), Joe Spano (T.C. Fornell), Carlos Acuña (Milo the Guard), Shirley Jordan (Mary Tyler), Grace Powell (Joyce), Sade Devine (Jasmine Tyler), Vito D'Ambrosio (Jonny Zucado)
Production Code: 18002
Summary: Gibbs and Farnell attempt to track down the leader of a drug ring who supplied drugs to Fornell's daughter; the team deals with the case of a missing cadaver from the NCIS autopsy room.



Navy Musician First Class John Warren was murdered. His murder was made to look like a suicide and it wasn't. He was poisoned. Therefore, the first person to claim it was suicide or that Warren was troubled would be their chief suspect. Gibbs and his teams have worked similar cases in the past and that meant Gibbs didn't have to worry about his team. He could leave them to do the investigation while he worked his side case with Fornell. Fornell's daughter overdosed in 2019. She almost died because she was

given counterfeit opioids from Canada and so her father and her honorary uncle wanted to shut down this opioid ring.

They pretended like they were doing it for a noble cause. The truth is they were doing this because they wanted revenge for what almost happened to Emily and so that's why the two men aren't going to finish this until they've caught everyone. They first hunted down the supplier. They wanted to know who sold Emily the drugs and they found him. Fornell found him right as Warren showed up murdered. Gibbs had to decide if he should work the murder like he always has or go get revenge and he chose revenge. He assigned McGee as lead on Warren's murder. He then made his excuses at the office and he quickly joined Fornell.

By this point in time, Emily had recovered. She joined a drug treatment program and she was on her way to be a typical young woman. Emily was finally healing after everything. She lost her mom to an assassin and she almost lost her dad as well due to his grief over her mother. Fornell hadn't been there for Emily when she needed him the most. Emily had to take care of herself. She

had to step up in all sorts of ways after her mom died. She had to be the adult and she turned to drugs to help handle the pressure of being the adult. Emily had to figure that out on her own. She has since confronted the real reasons why she turned to drugs. She's acknowledged them and she's ready to move on. And so it was just Fornell and Gibbs that wanted revenge.

Emily didn't want revenge. She wasn't spying on the people who sold her the drugs or demanding to know where the drugs came from. She knows the part she played. She's now ready to move on and it's Fornell and Gibbs that are stuck in the past. The two men followed Emily's supplier to a pill mill. They monitored him and they saw that he had his own entrance into the pill mill. The pill mill was a doctor's office where everyone knew they could get cheap drugs and get them fast. Fornell wanted to go in. Gibbs didn't like it and he only reluctantly agreed. He stayed on the phone with Fornell as Fornell went in. And he overheard the moment Fornell pushed his luck.

Fornell ran into a young woman in the pill mill. She was around the same age as Emily and so Fornell began asking her questions. He wanted to know how old she was. Why she was there? He even offered to speak to her parents for her. Fornell got so involved in this stranger's life that security was willing to throw him out because they could tell he wasn't there for the drugs and so Gibbs went in after him. Gibbs claimed Fornell was his uncle who wasn't all there. Fornell tried to fight him because he didn't want to leave the girl behind and that forced Gibbs to drag Fornell out of the building.

Gibbs later told Fornell that he had to be heartless to do this job. They were either going to stop this drug ring or they were going to let emotion ruin it before they could stop anyone. Gibbs got through to Fornell. Fornell promised to keep watch over the guy they knew was directly involved. He told Gibbs that he call him if anything changes. He also promised not to make a move until Gibbs was there and so Gibbs went back to the office. He was just going to check-in. Only it turns out there's been an incident. Palmer lost a body. He went to go check up on the body and he didn't find it in one of his freezers.

Palmer was later telling Gibbs all about when the second incident occurred. Someone blew up Palmer's car. Palmer was close enough to the blast to get knocked out and thankfully he was going to be okay. It was an IED attached to his car. It was supposed to go off when Palmer opened the door and it was only by chance that his car alarm set it off before then. It was a bit of a coincidence that someone stole a body right as they tried to kill the Medical Examiner and so NCIS believed the cases are connected. The body that went missing belonged to Marine Corporal Richard Darby. Darby put in for retirement not that long ago and he was going to claim disability.

It was apparently an open secret that Darby was suffering from PTSD. His unit was ambushed overseas and he hasn't been the same since. He was becoming increasingly withdrawn. He was staying home more and then he was murdered. He was shot in his chest. His case had been assigned to NCIS Special Agent Veronica Tyler. She was still working on it when the body disappeared and someone tried to kill Palmer. Gibbs was forced to step in after Palmer was almost killed. He assigned protection to Tyler in case she was the next person on the kill list and he thought it was odd when he later heard that Tyler sent her protection away.

Gibbs also couldn't get in touch with her. He and his team tracked Tyler back to her mother's place and they overheard telling her mother that she needs to do this herself. Gibbs then asked her what she was talking about? He wanted to know why she handle it herself and what it was? Tyler cracked under pressure. She showed that she had Darby's body and she admitted that she stole it because a masked man broke into her apartment and he kidnapped her daughter. Tyler had never seen the man's face. He wore the mask the whole time and he wanted the investigation into Darby's death to be halted.

He even threatened to kill her child if she didn't get the body back. Tyler tried to tell him that it was too late because Palmer had already performed the autopsy and that's when the man said that he would handle the Medical Examiner. She had no idea what he meant until she heard what happened to Palmer. Also, if he was willing to kill Palmer to keep his secret safe, Tyler knew the odds for her getting her daughter back were quite low. Tyler didn't want to risk her child. She wanted to find the man who kidnapped her daughter and Gibbs promised to help. Gibbs and his whole team were going to help.

Gibbs called Fornell the second he had a moment alone. He told Fornell how he couldn't help carry out surveillance because something came up at work and Fornell again promised he

wouldn't make a move against the drug dealers without Gibbs. Gibbs wasn't sure he believed him. He started telling Fornell what would happen if Fornell made a move without him, but he was overheard. Sloane overheard him. She like the others had wondered why Gibbs had left a case earlier and so she knew it had something to do with Fornell. Sloane promised she wouldn't say anything. She knows that if Gibbs is working a side case that he has to follow it through and so she let him be.

Gibbs returned to the Tyler kidnapping. He and the others pretended to cut off Darby's hand and they were going to leave in a place to be picked up and that would be proof that Tyler did what she was asked. The whole team waited for the hand to be picked up. They watched a homeless man go for it and he proved to be involved in the kidnapping because he told Tyler, when she tried to stop him, that her daughter was safe for now. That was when the team realized they had him. They made a move and unfortunately, this fake homeless man made a run for it. He tried to run. He got involved in an accident and he died before they could get him medical attention.

The fake homeless man turned out to be Karl Chunk. He was one of Darby's neighbors and Tyler had asked him a few questions about Darby when she was investigating the marine's death. Knowing that fact, the team went to Karl's home and they found a secret compartment. They found Jasmine Tyler hidden in this compartment. She hadn't been hurt and she was quickly reunited with her mother. It seems that Karl Chunk had found out that Darby emptied his bank accounts. Darby had over a hundred thousand and he put it in a safe that could only be opened with his handprint.

Karl didn't know that last part when he killed Darby, but that's why he wanted the man's hand and he was willing to do so much to get it.

Gibbs spent a lot of time on this case and so it's been a while since he heard from Fornell. He later called Fornell. He asked him what's been happening and Fornell told him that there's been a turn in the case. The man he was watching was now dead. Fornell found him and called the cops. He also went through the dead man's pockets. He was collecting evidence and he didn't tell Gibbs about it. He just told Gibbs that he was going to need a few weeks to himself to follow some leads. And so Gibbs had no idea what's been going on.

Everything Starts Somewhere

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Guest Stars: Sean Harmon (Young Leroy Jethro Gibbs), Vito D'Ambrosio (Jonny Zucado), DaJuan Johnson (Edward Scott), Thomas Crawford (Dr. Magnus), Louis Mustillo (Emilio 'Freckles' Zucado), Gabrielle Walsh (Michelle Stamos), Adam Campbell (Young Donald Mallard), Matthew Furfaro (Young Jonny Zucado), Franco Fox (Henchman), Jered Solow (Young Freckles), Ben Turner Dixon (Mike Franks)

Production Code: 18001
Summary: Flashbacks reveal the murder case that first introduced young Gibbs to NCIS and his introduction to young, new-to-America Ducky.



It's the twentieth anniversary of the day McGee decided to become an NCIS Agent. McGee was excited to celebrate this moment in time and he invited the team out for drinks. He even invited Gibbs. He knew Gibbs didn't like going out or having fun and he still invited Gibbs because he thought Gibbs would want to be there for his anniversary. However, Gibbs turned him down. Gibbs told him that he was done with celebrating anniversaries and McGee didn't know what he was talking about. What other anniversaries has

Gibbs been celebrating? McGee didn't know about any other anniversary and he was only forced to drop the subject now because the team caught a case.

The team was called to the scene of a suspicious death. The victim carried identification that claimed he was NCIS Special Agent Ronald Calloway and that didn't make sense because there is no Agent Calloway in the whole of NCIS. The team checked. There was no such agent and they couldn't run their dead man's fingerprints because those were burned off. The murder victim was John Doe. He was that until Kasie got a hit on a DNA match. She learned their John Doe was in fact Maurice Zucado of the infamous Zucado family. The family was a group of petty crooks and Gibbs had a run-in with one years ago.

Gibbs was actually kidnapped once by a Rinaldi Zucado who went by the name Ringo. Ringo put a gun in Gibbs's face years ago and he forced Gibbs into the trunk of his car. Gibbs had been on his way to meeting his girlfriend Shannon. He was in a public place and he didn't want to risk anyone else so he quietly went with Ringo. Only he never did find out why Ringo kidnapped

him. Ringo was involved in a car accident that finished him off after he suffered multiple stab wounds and so he died before he could use and/or kill Gibbs. Gibbs was found in the man's trunk. He was freed and the NCIS Agents at the time had never figured out why Ringo kidnapped this Marine Sergeant.

Now, years later, Gibbs is investigating the death of another Zucado. He doesn't think it could be a coincidence and so he talked to the one person he knew from that time. He talked to Ducky. Ducky had just joined NCIS when Gibbs's case came around. The two men quickly became friends and so Gibbs only told Ducky what he was really thinking. He didn't talk to his team. Gibbs later got an update from his team in which they told him that their Zucado has been in and out of prison. He was ne'er-do-well. The team still didn't know why a man like that would be poking around an NCIS building because that's where the man died and so Gibbs told them that the Johnny Zucado would know.

John Zucado was in charge of the crew back in the day. Gibbs met him because he was hanging with Ducky one day and Johnny's people had kidnapped them off the street. He and Ducky were then taken back to Johnny's lair. They were beaten and interrogated. Johnny wanted to know what Ringo told the NCIS Agents. Ringo it seems had stolen something from his cousin and Johnny wanted it back. He didn't want the NCIS Agent to find it before he did. Johnny interrogated both Gibbs and Ducky until Ducky told him that they had found Ringo dead. He never got a chance to tell NCIS anything.

Johnny was relieved to hear that. He also thought he didn't need Ducky and Gibbs anymore and so he had been planning on killing them, but Gibbs stopped him. Gibbs told Johnny that if either he or Ducky disappeared that it would raise red flags. NCIS would search for them and there would never leave the Zucado organization alone. Gibbs was able to convince Johnny to let them go with just a warning. They were told they couldn't tell anyone about their run-in with Johnny and they never did. Not until now. Ducky told Kasie and Kasie someone else and soon the rumor mill was turning what happened into a Greek tragedy.

Even Vance heard about it. Vance and Sloane both made themselves available for when Gibbs brought in Johnny Zucado and so they both saw Johnny walk. Johnny had been facing charges that he managed to make disappear by killing a witness. So, he was free and clear and he had no reason to be a part of what his cousin had been up to. His cousin Maurice was trying to hack into the Carolina NCIS computer system when he died and the team originally thought he was doing so because he was trying to get rid of the evidence against Johnny. Except Johnny wouldn't have gone to the trouble of killing a witness if he could simply destroy the evidence on the computer system.

Johnny claimed not to be involved in what Maurice was doing. He might be right about that and everyone could see it. Everyone besides Gibbs. Gibbs still wanted to take down Johnny. He has never forgotten the not-so-gentle interrogation he suffered or that Ducky suffered. He only let it go back then because he and Ducky realized there was a mole at NCIS at the time. Ducky had solved that case as well. He figured out the construction worker that was updating the building had the same rare genetic marker that Ringo did and so he helped root out the mole. He also told Gibbs back then that he should let it go and get back together with his girlfriend Shannon.

Gibbs went on to marry Shannon. They had a daughter named Kelly and they were happy for a time. Gibbs, unfortunately, lost both his wife and his daughter years ago. His wedding anniversary to Shannon was recent. It was the anniversary that he had been talking about with McGee and McGee found out which anniversary Gibbs meant. He felt more than ever he should take Gibbs out for a drink. He and the team were trying to find a way to do that when this case came back at them. They finally learned why Maurice was in the building. He was there because his cousin Emilio had stashed a keycard there all those years ago.

It was Emilio that Ducky figured out was the mole. Ducky alerted the proper authorities and Emilio had needed to go on the run. He chose to stash the keycard in the building. He ran off to Mexico and he's been there all these years when his cousin Johnny finally found him. Johnny wanted the keycard. It was his before Ringo stole it. He wants it back because it could incriminate him and that's why he sent his cousin Maurice to the building. Maurice went in with Emilio's directions. He got turned around and he suffered an asthma attack. He later died from that asthma attack because he was too stupid to walk with a pump else he is discovered.

And so NCIS found this keycard and they were finally able to take down Johnny Zucado.

Blood and Treasure

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Production Code: 18003
Summary: The discovery of two dead bodies leads the team into the world of modern day treasure hunting as Gibbs and Fornell get deeper into their search for the drug kingpin.



Former FBI Special Agent Tobias Fornell is still investigating the drug ring responsible for his daughter's overdose. The man is obsessed with finding someone to blame and he found someone. Tobias found the man pushing counterfeit opioids. He followed him to a pill mill and Tobias had even been there when this man died. He died from an overdose. There was nothing Tobias could do to save his life. Not that it stopped him from trying. He called 911 and he looked through the man's pockets while he was there and so he wasn't going to let a little thing like death stop him from working

the case. He found out this drug pusher was working for minimum wage at a fast-food restaurant and that just didn't make sense.

This man was making thousands as a drug dealer. He didn't even need a day job much less a job that was heavy in manual labor and light in payment. Its highly suspicious that a man like that would work for minimum wage. Tobias wanted to find out what was going on and so he got a job at this fast-food place. Tobias believe the joint was operating as a front. He just didn't know what it was front for and so he got a job there. He was out on his break when he finally caught up with Gibbs. Gibbs was helping Tobias in finding out who was behind this counterfeit drug ring and he was suspicious of what Tobias might do by himself. Hence he was working the case with Tobias. He was mostly doing it to keep his friend out trouble and he wasn't being successful.

Tobias almost blew the whole investigation back at the pill mill. The pill mill is where anyone could walk in claiming to suffer from some minor ailment and receive their heart's content of

prescription drugs. Tobias spotted a young girl at the pill mill. She reminded him of his daughter and so he tried to convince her to call her parents. He freaked out the girl. He also was almost caught by the people running the pill mill. It was Gibbs who saved their cover and Gibbs was questioning the fast food gig as well. He didn't see why Tobias had to get a job there. They could just sit on the place and take account of any suspicious movements. Only Tobias had to do things his way. He was going to stay at his new crap job and Gibbs was happier to return to his job as an NCIS Agent.

The team had a new case. They were called in after Chief Petty Officer Diego Barnes was found bleeding out on his fire escape and this case turned out to be special. Barnes was supposedly killed after solving the DeMint treasure map. His computer showed that he was obsessed with the legend of the DeMint treasure and that he was writing to someone about possibly solving it. It would be huge if he did. There were a lot of people out there who tried to solve the DeMint treasure map. The map leads to two million in gold and there would be plenty who would kill for it. Someone killed Barnes after he went bragging. He might have known his killer and so the team looked into the DeMint treasure.

The DeMint treasure is real. Angus DeMint was a successful businessman who decided to live off the grid and so he decided something fun with his life savings. He turned two million into gold. He then buried it somewhere. He left clues on how to find it in a book he wrote and now hundreds if not thousands have gone looking for it. It was the DeMint treasure. Angus DeMint was the only one who knows where the treasure and he wasn't telling. NCIS tried to get answers. They went to his cabin in the woods and they told him that a man had been murdered for the treasure, but he didn't care. He said he created the treasure hunt because he wanted to convince more people to go out into nature and the truth is probably closer to what his daughter Margot believes. She believes her father has a God complex.

Margot owns the house in the woods. She was also the one that bought all of her father's groceries and she would even take them to him. Her father hasn't been living with nature. He lives on his computer. He's obsessed with following a message board that talks about his treasure hunt and so he likes all the chaos he brought with that stupid book. He pay attention to anything else. Not even his own daughter. Margot is the one keeping his alive and she thought it was childish that he didn't help NCIS. She understood that someone had died because of what her father did. She therefore went to the team's office and she gave them a list of people her father speaks with on the message board.

What she did was perfectly legal because again she owns the house. Margot's list proved to be helpful because the team found a group that Barnes was working with and Barnes told his group that he had found the cipher to solving the clues that Angus left in his book. There was just one problem with this cipher. He didn't share it with his friends. He told them that he was holding onto it to make sure that it was the correct one and that led to someone tension in the group. It was a three person group. There was Barnes and the other two were dating. They even alibied each other. They claimed they were at home in bed the night Barnes was killed and two suspects couldn't be each other's alibis.

There was also another problem with Angus. Angus disappeared. He staged his cabin to look like a break-in and he apparently went after the killer. It didn't make sense to the team but it did to Sloane. Sloane read Angus's book. It was basically a love letter to his late wife Lillian. Lillian loved treasure hunts and they used to do small ones with their daughter. Angus wished to continue to this legacy, her legacy by creating a real life treasure hunt. It was the last gift to his wife and he didn't want anyone desecrating it. Angus buried the treasure. He then wrote the book and it describes how happy he was when he met Lillian. There were some old family photos in there as well. Margot had been brought down to help them with their investigation and she realized that her mother's favorite spot where she went hiking every year was where the treasure was hidden.

Margot gave this clue to Gibbs. Gibbs gave the photo to Kasie and Bishop and they cheated to find the treasure. They hacked the location of Angus's burner cell. They then used it to find the place where he often visited over the years and they found the location. They also found Angus. He was trying to find the killer and it led him to the member of Barnes's group. Only it turns out the two suspects didn't have an alibi. They lied about it to protect themselves and so they got in trouble and so did Angus. Angus was brought in for obstruction. He called Margot because he needed a lawyer and unfortunately he got someone else. His daughter had been taken hostage

by a third party. This guy was a gym receptionist.

He worked at the gym that Barnes used with his friends. Barnes and his friends would talk about the treasure hunt and so this guy decided to cut through some steps. He tried to get the location from Barnes. That didn't work and so he kidnapped Margot. Again, this didn't work. The team found out about it and they led their kidnapper to a trap. They were later able to free Margot. They also reunited her with her father who realized that Margot is the greatest legacy Lillian ever left him. the two plan on working on their relationship.

And the DeMint treasure was solved by the team.

Gibbs later went to go check on Tobias and unfortunately Tobias is missing.

Sunburn

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Guest Stars: Margo Harshman (Delilah Fielding), Juliette Angelo (Emily Fornell), Robert Mailhouse (Malcolm Lucas), Jennifer Baxter (Sienna Michaels), Chris Butler (Clarence), Chet Grissom (Rupert Kittridge), Vasthy Mompoint (Janique), Gabriel Sousa (Jared), Georgia Leva (Lisa), Gwen Holloway (A.A. Chairperson), Jessica Jade Andres (Rachel), Isaac Gonzalez Rossi (Marco), Isiah Adams (Chad Hamilton / Vladimir Ivinov), Anna Grace Barlow (Karen / Sasha Myshkin), Tajh Bellow (Samuel Miles), Nick Borraine (Merriweather / Alexi Myshkin), Neal Kodinsky (Viktor), Geri-Nikole Love (Paramedic), Roman Mitichyan (Kidnapper), Tudor Munteanu (Ivan), Joe Spano (Tobias Fornell)

Production Code: 18004
Summary: McGee and his wife Delilah's Bahamian vacation turns into a high-stakes mission when a case NCIS is tracking of a dead escape room manager has ties to the island. Also, Gibbs fears the worst when his search for Fornell leads to blood.



The Game Master of an escape room was murdered. The Game Master was the person in charge of the escape room experience. He would give out clues as well as free anyone who wanted to quit the game early and so his death was a problem because a group of adults were playing in one of the escape rooms when they heard the gunshots. The gunshots sounded real to them.

They realized instantly that something happened and so they tried talking to the Game Master through the security camera, but he was dead and the group got scared. They couldn't solve all the clues

while they were scared. They also couldn't call for help because her phones had been taken and so they waited until the maid came. She found the body. She also freed the group.

The maid called 911. The police arrived and they did a preliminary search on the victim in which they found out he was a Navy reservist. The Game Master was identified as Chief Petty Officer Norman Mason. Mason had a bunch of stuff in his office and it appeared as if he was

looking to making his own escape. He owned and operated the Mystery Madhouse and yet he had travel plans because he had a go bag.

He also had several important documents in his office that shouldn't have been in his possession. These documents were once deemed classified and so it's a mystery how Mason came to own them. The team investigated that plus Mason's death. They believed someone may have found out about his cache and killed him to stop him from using those documents.

This meant the team were looking for their killer and any potential buyers for documents. They checked Mason's phone records. He was in constant contact with someone in the Bahamas and as luck would have it the team had someone already down there. McGee was in the Bahamas. He was there on vacation with his wife Delilah and this was the first time they had gotten away as just the two of them. They left the kids stateside.

Their vacation was supposed to be about them and relaxing, but the team called and McGee couldn't refuse them. He talked to his wife and she agreed he could run down the lead. He went to the payphone that Mason used to call and he waited for someone to show up.

A woman eventually did. She was a blonde and she looked harmless. She looked like she was vacation down there. McGee didn't think she would be a problem so he approached her as a federal agent and she beat him up before escaping. She left McGee on the floor in the sand. His wife had been there and she checked up on him. Only he was going to be fine. It was more his pride that was bruised than anything else and so he was able to call it in.

He informed Gibbs what happened. Gibbs told him to track down that beach bum and McGee agreed to do it. He later tried to put his wife on a plane heading back home except she refused to go. She wanted to help him with the case because working together meant they still get to spend time together and so McGee agreed to it.

McGee couldn't have stopped Delilah if he tried. The two agreed to work together and they found a way to track down their suspect. She was on a rented moped. They went to the rental agency and McGee was recognized as an author. The woman who ran the shop was a big fan of his. She thought she was helping him research his next book and so she gave them the woman's name and address.

The woman who attacked McGee was Sienna Michaels. McGee and his wife went to her house and they talked to her neighbors. They were told that Sienna is a British expat and that she was a nice person. The two let themselves into Sienna's house and they ran into her as well as her gun. Sienna demanded to know why she was being followed. She threatened to kill McGee and his wife and so he told her how he was investigating the murder of Norman Mason.

Which came as a surprise for Sienna's guest. Sienna was living with a man named Malcolm Lucas and he worked with Mason back in the states, but everyone thought Lucas was dead and so him showing up alive was downright shocking. Up to that point, the team began thinking that someone was picking off Mason's team and that they even killed his boss. Malcom allegedly drowned while on vacation. His death was deemed suspicious because he was on the swim team in college and was therefore a great swimmer. It didn't make sense that he would drown and a second member of his team would later be shot. And so finding Lucas alive and well was what helped the team finally put their case together.

It turns out Lucas had developed a weapon. A drone that thinks for itself. He created a lethal autonomous weapon called DeepRaven and that's what Mason's documents detailed. Mason had been working with Lucas to develop this weapon. They thought it would be used in mapping the ocean's floor and once they realized that their boss planned on using it for something else — they staged Lucas's death and Mason kept an eye on the project to make sure no one was coming close to finishing what they started.

Mason even called Lucas's girlfriend everyday to tell her it was all clear. The two thought they got away with what they did and all the while someone found out. Someone learned that they were sitting on a weapon that could be sold and so he tried to kill anyone who stood in his or her way.

The team thought it was men's boss. They brought him in for questioning and he revealed he found out someone had been selling DeepRaven on the dark web. He wanted in on the sale so he didn't say anything about it before, but he doesn't have the weapon and he didn't kill Mason.

Whoever killed Mason had given him a rash because they were wearing suntan lotion hat was specially created down in the Bahamas and so either the killer came up from the Bahamas or was currently down there in the Bahamas. The team tried calling McGee and they couldn't reach

him because the island was facing tropical weather. And so Gibbs reached out to his old Marine buddy down there and luckily his friend Clarence saved the day.

Lucas's girlfriend Sienna was their killer. She flew to DC on the day Mason died to kill him and she even murdered the third member of their team. Sienna did all of this because she wanted to sell DeepRaven to the highest bidder. Sienna wasn't as noble as Lucas was and she shot him in the leg when he tried to stop her. She would have killed McGee and Delilah too, but that's when Clarence showed and he took down Sienna. Sienna was arrested.

She was facing deportation because she wanted to live in the UK for bank fraud and Sienna wasn't even her real name. Either way, she was going away for life and McGee decided to take a few more days off to finally go off-grid with his wife Delilah.

Head of the Snake

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Production Code: 18005
Summary: Gibbs and Fornell's crusade to find the head of the drug ring responsible for Fornell's daughter Emily's overdose comes to a climax. Also, Gibbs and Vance finally let the team in on a case that has dangerous implications.



Later, Gibbs received a call from Vance. Vance wanted to check up on Gibbs. He wasn't asking about the past case because he didn't care about the case and it had nothing to do with him. Vance called about Fornell. He's been secretly helping Gibbs and Fornell investigate the drug ring that was responsible for Emily's overdose and neither of the men had heard back from Fornell. Fornell disappeared.

He didn't show up at his daughter's graduation from rehab and Gibbs came across blood in his investigation that he believed was Fornell's. Gibbs thinks

something happened to him. He informed Vance because he needed help and now Vance wanted to make their little investigation public.

No sooner did Vance tell Gibbs this, that Gibbs found out Fornell is alive. Fornell was cozying up to the drug dealers to get information on their boss and so he had to stay away from everyone. He couldn't call his daughter. He couldn't risk them knowing he had a daughter and he couldn't warn Gibbs either. The two met up as Gibbs continued his investigation. He ran into Fornell at a private airport and Fornell shot at him up to make it appear that he was still working with the drug dealers. Fornell was the one who set up cameras for the place. So, he told Gibbs that they could talk, they just also had to shoot at each other. They shot at each other as Fornell explained everything that's happened.

Fornell found out the boss's name. It was a man named Merriweather and he was the one who called all the shots in their counterfeit opioid ring. He was also elusive. Fornell was told that Merriweather run things and that Merriweather tapped all their phones, but he's never met the man and three months of investigation hasn't yielded anything else that was important. He just knew the name Merriweather. He passed this on to Gibbs and Gibbs told Vance.

Vance was sick of all the espionage. He told Gibbs that he was going to hand this case over to the DEA and so Gibbs had three days to solve this or he'll lose his chance forever. He knew he couldn't do it on his own and so he finally brought his team in on the investigation. And thankfully McGee was back from vacation by then.

Gibbs had his team look into Petty Officer Rico. Rico was fingered as a part-time drug dealer and so the team went looking for him. Only they couldn't find him. They did find his friend, though. His friend told him that Rico was out on assignment and not an official one. Rico had been given an assignment from Merriweather. Merriweather asked Rico to sell his pills and he cut the price. The pills used to be twenty dollars a pop. Now they were just five and so that didn't make sense.

Why would a drug kingpin practically give his drugs away. It wasn't until Rico was found in the morgue that they realized what was going on. Rico died from a poisoning. He was poisoned by the new pills he had been asked to sell and a bunch of pills that Fornell had given Gibbs had showed that they were poisoned as well.

Merriweather changed his formula for the opioids. He was now actively trying to kill people with drugs and it just didn't make sense. There was no reason why a drug dealer will kill his own customers. Not unless he was killing them for someone else and that someone else might be Russia in this case.

The drugs that were being sold were mostly being sold to members of the American military. Merriweather specifically enlisted members of the military to do his bidding and sell to their fellow servicemen and women. He was now trying to kill those same people with his drugs. Merriweather has several identities. One of them is Russian and he is known to frequently fly back to Russia whenever he can.

The team believed that Merriweather went from drug dealer to terrorist. They also believe he was using Beltway Burgers as his distribution center and that the people who work there were also in on it. The team even identified one of them. His name is Vladimir Ivinov and the team thought they could sit on him to see where he goes, but unfortunately something went wrong with the plan. Torres showed up pretending to work with the HOA. He pretended to be an exterminator and all the while Bishop was overseeing things from the van out on the street. The two did their parts perfectly well. They at first convinced Ivinov of the part they played and then he got a text. The text told him he was being watched. Ivinov automatically knew it was Torres and he tried to kill him.

It Fornell that stopped Ivinov. He killed Ivinov and they went back to the van where they found it empty. Bishop was gone. She was taken by Merriweather's people and Fornell's cover was blown. He couldn't go back to Merriweather after killing his guy. Luckily, Merriweather didn't know Ivinov was dead when he later called Fornell and tried to make deal with him. He thought he was talking to Fornell because he called Fornell's number but it turned out to be Gibbs.

Gibbs pretended to be Fornell on the phone call. He also pretended that Ivinov was still alive and so he agreed with Merriweather to do an exchange. Ivinov for Bishop. Bishop was being tortured while she was in custody and so the team wanted to rescue her more than anything.

They agreed to do the deal because they thought they could get Bishop back. Only they underestimated Merriweather. Merriweather wanted to kill Fornell. He wanted to kill Fornell for betraying him and so McGee showing up at the meeting wasn't something Merriweather planned for. Merriweather had laid a trap. He laid it for Fornell and it was supposed to be him going up to the plane and then the plane exploding. But in this case, it was McGee. McGee went up to the plane and he was stopped from getting too close by Gibbs. Their comms were down and so Gibbs shot McGee twice to stop him from going to the plane. And he therefore didn't get swept up in the blast when the plane exploded.

Sadly, the team thought the same couldn't be said for Bishop. The team believe she was on the plane when it exploded and that she most likely died along with everyone else onboard but at the last minute she showed up. She was fine. She had escaped the plane by being her bada** self . She had a few bruises from being tortured and other than that she was okay. It was Torres

that was really upset. He went with Gibbs and Fornell as they tracked down Merriweather at his daughter's 21st birthday celebration. It turns out Merriweather's real name is Alexi Myshkin and he went from drug dealer to terrorist because he was being paid a lot more money than he would have made from his drug business.

Alexi also used his daughter to wire this new terrorist money. The team checked her bank accounts and they got all the evidence they needed to put both father and daughter away for a long time. And in the end, Fornell was finally able to reunite with his own daughter and he got the chip she received for being clean for six months.

As for McGee, the bullet that went into his leg had hit an artery and so he was in bad shape at the hospital.

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Season 18
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Season Episode: 6

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Guest Stars: David Carzell (Michael Hodge), Chris Boudreaux (Jesse Duncan), Charles Carpenter (Sheriff Marcus Mayes)
Production Code: 18006
Summary: Following a tip about smuggled weapons, Bishop and Torres engage in a shootout in a former sheriff's residence that's now a historical site, only to find themselves locked in abandoned jail cells there.



McGee is still recovering. He was shot a while back because Gibbs had been trying to stop him from going to a plane that had a bomb on it and so McGee still needed time to heal. He was out of the office. His paperwork and the other things he generally does was left to Bishop and Torres. The two agents were on the road heading to a crime scene when they got lost on the way.

They had needed directions and they thought a nearby home would be the best place to get answers. They went to the house. They knocked and pressed the doorbell. They weren't getting anyone, so

they let themselves in. They called out to see if anyone was inside and they got a reaction. They found suddenly themselves being shot at by whoever was in the house.

Bishop and Torres returned fire. They tried to fight their way out of this and they failed. They were captured. Both agents were imprisoned at the house and the house was an old sheriff's office. It had its own jail cells. Bishop and Torres spent time in those cells. They were never able to call for help or even alert their boss that something was happening.

The first sign of there being something wrong for Gibbs had been when he went to gather his team, but no one responded. He didn't have Bishop, Torres, or McGee. He just had the preliminaries on the case. The team was investigating the brothers, Craig and Jesse Duncan. The Duncan brother created cocktails bricks that were more dangerous than C4 and one of those bricks were used in the bomb Merryweather set up.

Gibbs got the gist of the case from Vance. He was told about the brothers and how they became of interest to the NCIS. What he didn't know is that the brothers had taken two of his agents hostage. Bishop and Torres later realized that the Duncan brothers were responsible for

their capture when they found their explosives in one of the cells and that was also the moment they realized that they weren't just abandoned.

The brother had to come back. They had to come back for the explosives and that mean could either good or bad things for the agents. They could be killed or their captors could come back to give them water and/or food. The last one was pretty unlikely just based on the brothers' reputation and so both Bishop and Torres thought the brothers were going to kill them when they come back.

The two also got to talking. Bishop challenged Torres on his new hover-like behavior with her and he told her that he was just trying to help. Torres was coming from a good place. He stopped drinking her coffee because he thought it would be too hot and burn her tongue. He also demanded that he be the one to drive. He didn't want her to tax herself.

He didn't even want her to stress about the directions and he tried to find his own way to their location. Torres has been doing everything he can to help. Only it was too much. Bishop told him that she didn't need his help because she could help herself and she hadn't wanted to tell him who she was talking to on the phone because she hadn't wanted to say it was Sloane.

Bishop made an appointment to see Sloane. She needed to talk to someone about being abducted and almost dying. Bishop understands that Torres is worried about her, but she was going to need to back up some and the only help she wanted from him was ideas on how to escape. Bishop and Torres were trapped in the old sheriff's cells. They were there while Gibbs was back at the office and eventually, Gibbs realized something was wrong. He got a call about Bishop and Torres's car. The car had been abandoned on the road and right away Gibbs knew something happened. He demanded the car be turned over to NCIS. He had it tested and there was no blood inside the car. The car was clean.

This alone told Gibbs hadn't been killed or transported. He then asked Kasie for her help and she told him when Bishop and Torres's cell phones were before they lost reception. Gibbs needed additional help with this case. He was down all of his agents and so it was a great time for McGee to come back. McGee heard what happened with Bishop and Torres. He wanted to help and he was willing to cut his recovery time at home.

This made things awkward for Gibbs. Gibbs felt guilty for shooting McGee and so he didn't really want McGee around. He just wanted to focus on the case. He chose to turn to other people to help him do that and Kasie later tracked down a tipster for him. Bishop and Torres were following up on the tipster's lead when they disappeared.

Gibbs went to the tipster's location, but the tipster claimed to have nothing to do with the Duncan brothers and that was a lie. Gibbs saw a photo of the tipster with Jesse Duncan. The tipster tried fleeing by climbing out of a window and so Gibbs brought him back to an interrogation room.

Michael Hodge said he did call in the tip. He wanted to shut down the Duncan brothers' operation because he feels he's gotten in over his head and he wanted to do it anonymously because he didn't want to risk the brothers finding out about the part he played. Michael told Gibbs everything. He even mentioned where he sent Bishop and Torres. Gibbs got the location of his friends and he went running to them.

They meanwhile needed all the help they could get. Bishop opened the gates of her cell and she triggered a pressure plate. She had to stand on it for hours until the brothers returned. The brothers didn't want to lose their haul and they also didn't want to risk the agents getting away. They instead had freed Torres from his cell because they wanted him to bring up their cocktails bricks.

He did just that and Jesse Duncan ran off once he was done. The Duncan kid had made it back to his car when Gibbs appeared. Gibbs arrested Duncan and he called the bomb squad for Bishop. Gibbs saved the day, but he was only able to do so because McGee got on the phone with him and he helped with navigation. And so McGee saved the day as well.

McGee and Gibbs later talked about what happened and McGee told Gibbs he didn't blame him for shooting because now he'll just have to live harder. Which is something Torres told him.

There was also a moment between Bishop and Torres during their captivity and that might turn into something else fairly soon.

The First Day

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Guest Stars: Anthony L. Fernandez (Luis Carter), Dominique Columbus (Corey Jackson), Adilah Barnes (Miss Nellie), Délé Ogundiran (Shelby Roberts), Austen Parros (Marcus), Lorena Jorge (Drea), Jaleesa Donna (Carmen)
Production Code: 18007
Summary: NCIS investigates the murder of a Navy officer who was killed while driving home a recently released inmate. Also, Gibbs helps Palmer deal with personal trauma.



Palmer isn't himself. He's a single parent now. He's working to close as well as being there for his child and it was proving to be too much for him. He had needed help. He invited his mom to move in. She helps out with free childcare and she also does some cooking so that Palmer doesn't have to worry about it. This should have freed up Palmer.

However, he was still troubled and he occasionally had some pain in his left arm. Palmer didn't want to talk about it with his friends at work and so he was taking phone calls at the crime scene. Palmer barely paid attention to the body this time. The body was that of Petty Of-

ficer Second Class David Avila and he was found dead in his car with the passenger door open.

It was clear he had a guest. Kasie ran fingerprints from the crime scene and she was able to determine that the passenger was Luis Carter. Carter was recently released after serving twenty-one years for theft. It had been his third strike and so he went away for a long time just because he couldn't do without some socks. That's all he stole. He stole socks and it was enough to put away for most of his life.

Carter is out now. He was released and Avila was his ride. Avila volunteered to do this. He would pick up former prisoners and take them to their halfway houses or whatever location they were heading to. He even had a book that he called his reentry book. It was detailed list of where he could take this ex-cons and oddly the book was missing from the crime scene.

Carter took it. He wasn't injured in the shootout that killed Avila because his blood wasn't found at the crime scene and so either he was really lucky or he had to help set Avila up. Carter

also took the reentry book. He would only have done so if he needed a place to go and so the team worked through Avila's contacts.

They eventually found Carter hiding out at one of the locations. Carter told them that he wasn't going back to prison and he tried to brandish a weapon. Only Torres and Bishop had guns. Guns will always defeat a mere piece of metal and so they forced Carter to drop his weapon. They then brought him to the station for questioning where he was asked about Avila. He asked if he set Avila up and Carter swears he didn't.

Carter called Avila his "saint". Avila was the only person who ever showed up for him and he was beating himself up because he thinks Avila was killed by accident. Carter explained to Gibbs that the motorcycle that pulled up next to them had shouted "Lincoln Street Saints, Princessa".

Carter used to run with a gang called Lincoln Street Saints and he thinks they were there to kill him because they believe that he rolled on someone to get an early release. He even thought being called a princess was a final insult to him because there must have been a KOS. KOS stands for Kill On Sight. Carter told Gibbs that this gang was going to keep coming until he was dead and so Gibbs signed off on protection for Carter.

Carter went to go stay with Torres. Torres was just saying how glad he is that he doesn't have kids because he thinks taking care of one person is enough and so now he has protection duty. Carter was going to be staying with him at his one bedroom apartment. Torres also had to explain several of the high-functioning fixtures to Carter whose been away since the end of last century.

The two of them were having fun with playing around with Alexa when the team called and Torres was informed that Carter lied about something. He lied about his lawyer. He said he was calling his lawyer everyday for the past year. They spoke to the law firm and no one there was representing Carter. And so why was he calling?

Torres tried to ask Carter about it. Carter refused to say and so Torres lost his temper. He threatened to bring Carter to the Lincoln Street Saints. He drove by the LSS territory and he forced Carter to explain himself. He either was straight with Torres or his protection detail is over. Carter was feeling the pressure and so he admitted that he was calling the law firm because his daughter works the night shift there.

His daughter just had a baby of her own. Carter didn't want to bring his mess around her and that's why he didn't want them dragging his daughter into the situation. Other than that, he's been truthful. The team verified that his daughter does work at the law firm and that she didn't know about the current trouble with the gang.

The team wanted to find out more information. They spoke to someone they knew that was inside the gang and they asked them about Carter. She told Carter wouldn't interest anyone. He was an old man and the gang had moved on. The gang was currently dealing in the ghost gun.

The ghost gun is a gun that's shipped in parts to the buyer and that the buyer has to assemble on their own. It's why Kasie couldn't match a gun used on Avila to anything in the database. Kasie also explained that these ghost guns could be built anywhere on a small work table. They weren't even that hard to assemble and so the gang needed to be stopped before they could bring more ghost guns into the country. And Palmer also found out.

Palmer found out that Avila used to have tattoos. He had a Lincoln Street Saints tattoo as in he used to belong to their gang and he left when he decided to join the navy. So, the gang was never after Carter. They were always after Avila and the informant said the gang didn't care about former members.

They only cared about taking out the competition. Avila could still be in business dealing with ghost guns and his volunteer work brought him into close contact with people just out of prison. Only that wasn't the case either. Avila's last words to Carter was to go to the barbershop and that's what Carter did until he was found. The weapon he had picked up was for a gun barrel. He told Torres about it and they went back to the barbershop.

They arrested a man named Marcus who was running an illegal gun shop. Avila had found out about it through his volunteer work and Marcus told him to keep quiet or else. Or else is what happened. Marcus was the motorcyclist and he shouted the gang name at the car because he wanted them to think the gang was involved, but if anything, the gang was the only people that weren't connected to this case.

Later, Gibbs spoke to Palmer. Palmer lost his wife and being a new widow was just too much for him. Gibbs was perhaps the only person in the whole building who understood what Palmer

was going through because of his own experience although he at least got to have a funeral for his wife and daughter. Palmer couldn't have a funeral for his wife because of the pandemic. He was so distraught about that, Gibbs later called everyone in and they had an impromptu funeral for Breena. And Palmer finally got to read out loud the letter he wrote to her.

And afterwards Torres gave Carter a ride to his daughter's place.

True Believer

Season 18

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Guest Stars: Ismail Bashey (Nabi), Michael Goldsmith (Ben Mitchell), Sarah Grace White (Samantha Watkins), Nima Jafari (Tahir), Manny Cartier (Marine), Sara A. Emami (Darya), Ariana Elavia (Yazmin), Hedyeh Falsafi (Yazmin's Mom), Roman Mitichyan (Kidnapper)
Production Code: 18008
Summary: When Sloane's name is discovered in Afghanistan at the site of an abandoned bus with a dead driver, Gibbs accompanies her on a trip to find a group of girls who were kidnapped from the bus. Also, McGee, Bishop and Torres track down a hacker who emailed compromising information to the Taliban.



Sloane was feeling unsettled. She thought she should leave her job. She talked to Gibbs earlier about the possibility of leaving NCIS and he had thought it was crazy. He thought she should stay. Sloane was good at her job and she was making a difference.

Also, she would be bored on the beach. She mentioned moving to Costa Rica and she said she wanted to try something new but she went back to her old self the second and forgot all about her plans when she found out about her good friend Darya. Darya had been a captive with Sloane. She was the one the terrorists

used to bring Sloane food and water. Darya also treated Sloane after she had been tortured. Sloane owes Darya everything for keeping her alive and so she felt compelled to help once she learned that Darya had been kidnapped.

Darya hadn't left Afghanistan when Sloane did. She chose to stay behind after they had been rescued because she wanted to continue the fight and help in any way she could. Darya eventually became a chaperone to a group of girls. The girls were taking secret routes to school every day and so Darya was there to both act as the appropriate adult as well as to protect the girls if something ever happened.

The country was still dealing with the Taliban. The Taliban doesn't like the idea of girls going to school and they do everything to stop them. This is why the routes to school are secret. The

Taliban shouldn't have known where the bus was going to be that day and yet somehow they found out and they waylaid the bus. They killed the driver. They kidnapped the girls and they kidnapped Darya as well.

Darya left behind a message before she was taken. Darya wrote on a window "Sloane, NCIS". She wanted to get the word out to her old friend that she had been taken and Sloane did get the message. Sloane also told everyone that she was flying to Afghanistan to go rescue her friend. She was going to take this trip on her own time if possible because she was so set and so Gibbs chose to go with her.

They left Sloane's fish with Torres. They mentioned to him that they were going to be out of town and the team only learned the full story from Director Vance. Vance thought it was a security breach that the Taliban learned of the school route. He directed the team to investigate from their end and they found something or more specifically someone. They found a connection who was sending messages to the Taliban from the United States.

Torres and Bishop later broke down the man's door. Only there was no need for it because their suspect was dead and so the two of them went looking around. They soon learned their dead suspect was into Green Energy. He had several posters about saving the earth and it didn't appear as if he had Taliban ties but the team did find the coordinates to where the bus was abandoned.

It turns out their Albert had been assisting the Taliban. The Taliban also took the girls for a reason because Sloane and Gibbs later learned that the terrorist group was auctioning off the girls and Darya. They even left one girl go because she has epilepsy and they didn't think they could sell her for top price. And so the team had to find these and they had to find them fast before they were sold.

Back in the US, McGee found out their dead suspect was Albatross. He used to be a chief hacktivist as in he hacked people for the greater good and unfortunately Albert dropped that after his partner went to jail for hacking. Albert was good at what he does. He started to sell his services and his firewall was just too strong for the likes of McGee. McGee tried to break through it.

He and Kasie did everything they could on their end but time was wasting and Sloane made it further in her investigation than they did back in the States. Sloane and Gibbs talked to the girl who had been released. They spoke to her and she said that Darya was the one who picked their route. Darya picked a route that wasn't in the network. It made no sense that Albert would have gotten his hands on it on his own. He had to have been given the information and the chief suspect was Darya.

Sloane hadn't wanted to believe that of her friend. She felt Darya must have had a reason for giving the driver a new route and so she was withholding judgment. She still thought Darya was innocent as they found Darya's necklace in the desert. She remembered it because Darya used to wear it when they were captives together. Sloane said that Darya left it behind for her because she wanted to be rescued and so that's

when Gibbs told her what he thought. Gibbs reminded her that captives don't usually get to keep their own jewelry. He also said that it seemed like a trap. He thinks that Darya was leading them into a trap and that some of Sloane's old enemies might still want her head. It was just the two of them in the desert looking for the girls because Vance didn't get the go-ahead for troop support.

If anything, Vance learned that Washington didn't want to interfere with this case because they believe Afghanistan should deal with its own issues. Vance couldn't assist Sloane and Gibbs any further and so the most they had was their own team. McGee shut down the terrorist's bank accounts. They were trying to stop the sale and unfortunately, it just made the terrorists angry.

Darya was later thrown from a moving vehicle with a message pinned to her. The message said "Go home or there will be more blood" and it was written in English meant the message was for Sloane and Gibbs. This confirmed to Sloane that her friend had been innocent. Darya was killed when she threw at such speed and so Sloane wanted things to end there. She didn't want to keep looking for the girls because she didn't want anyone else to get hurt.

Sloane just wanted to go home. Or at least that's what she told Gibbs but he later found her loading up on weapons and he realized what her real plan was. Sloane wanted to go rushing into the scene. She wouldn't have done so if it hadn't been for Gibbs and Gibbs stopped her

because he hadn't wanted her to die. He told her that she would die if she went rushing into things without thinking.

He stopped Sloane and it's a good thing too because they found out who really sold the bus route. Their friends in America helped them out. McGee learned from Albert's old partner that some man in the village offered up the bus route and this man was the only other person who Darya told. He had hated that the girls were learning English and math. He also hadn't cared that he sold them into slavery. Sloane and Gibbs beat the man up for information and he happily told them where the girls were being held.

Sloane and Gibbs were able to rescue the remaining girls. This ended up meaning more to Sloane than it did to Gibbs. Gibbs had thought of it as a one-and-done sorta job and Sloane hadn't. Sloane wanted to stay in Afghanistan. She wanted to help fill the role that Darya left behind in honor of her friend and so Sloane was still going to leave NCIS.

And this thing between her and Gibbs was never going to happen now.

Winter Chill

Season 18

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Production Code: 18009
Summary: NCIS dives into the competitive world of food trucks after finding a man frozen to death in the back of one.



Sloane left. She stayed in Afghanistan and so she had to write her goodbyes to the team in an email. She wrote to each member of the team. She left them each an item from her office and she left her fish to Torres. Torres has been watching over the fish since she left. He thought it was just going to be a temporary thing and, now that he's learned it's official, it's hard. He doesn't want a fish.

He doesn't want anything he has to keep alive for the rest of his life and so he didn't like his gift. Torres thought the others got a better deal. He tried to trade with them. His friends weren't willing to

give up their own gifts for his and that meant he was stuck with the fish. He was now the proud owner of Carl. Carl the fish has almost died once in his care, but now he has to keep it alive and he doesn't know how he'll do it.

Thankfully, a new case took his mind off the fish. Torres and his team were later called to the scene of a suspicious death. Their victim is Naval Petty Officer Martin Delfino. He was found frozen to death in the back of a food supply truck and it looked suspicious because he had no reason to be in the truck or to die in it. Delfino hadn't worked with the company that owns the truck.

He operates a food truck with his cousin Shaun Greco and so it was odd that he would freeze to death in that truck of all places. The team asked the man who drives the truck if he recognizes their victim. He claimed he didn't know him but hearing the name of the truck did resonate with him because he delivered to Killer Korn. Delfino's food truck was called Killer Korn.

It was very popular in the area. Bishop had even heard of it and she told the others that they have the best corn on the cobb in the world. However, they went to the location of the food truck.

Bishop said the colors on the truck didn't match the ones of Killer Korn when she lasts it and so that too made this case suspicious. Bishop and Torres later found the cousin. They spoke to Greco and they informed of Delfino's death.

Another food trucker had overheard them. She came running over to offer her sympathies to Greco because she knew his cousin and she thought his death came out of the blue and so the team asked her as well as Greco if Delfino had enemies. The only enemy the two could think of was Sloppy Joe Sammy.

Sammy was another food trucker. He owns and operates the Sloppy Joe food truck and he tried to flee the scene once he saw that he was speaking to federal agents. Sammy wasn't able to make it very far because his truck made a horrible getaway vehicle. So, he answered a few questions for the team.

Sammy eventually admitted he tried to make a run for it because he received a "C" rating and he hasn't put it up or made any changes to his food truck since then. Sammy got to be quite chatty once he got going. He told the team that he had no grudge against Delfino. He doesn't like anyone and so he didn't Delfino. It wasn't anything personal. Sammy also said that Killer Korn had an intense rivalry with another food truck called Kosmic Korn.

Both food trucks make the same type of food. Their rivalry was so intense that it was all over the food blogs and the owners of each truck have taken out individual restraining orders against each other. It was such an intense rivalry that it seemed odd Greco didn't mention it. He mentioned Sammy and Sammy had merely been unpleasant. The "Korn Wars" on the other hand was the first thing everyone else thought about when asked about Delfino's enemies. The team went back to Greco. They asked him about the rivalry and he said that restraining orders forces so much distance that the rivalry is dead now. He operates on one side of town and the other guys operated on the other end.

It turns out the birth of the rivalry happened after Greco's friend stole his recipes. Greco and Pete Cannizaro both used to work at the same restaurant. The restaurant closed because of Covid-19 and so Greco poured all of his money into a food truck. He was just trying to find a way to keep working when the food truck idea came up. Greco told his friend his plans and his friend started using his recipes as well as a similar name to Greco's truck. Kosmic Korn was the truck Bishop was thinking about earlier and the designs to both tracks are similar. Cannizaro basically ripped off his friend's whole idea. Which explained animosity. They were each doing their best to sabotage until the restraining orders happened and now they have nothing to do with each other.

The team went to Kosmic Korn's truck. They spoke with the owner and unfortunately, he was too busy at the time to talk and so Bishop and Torres pretended to be food bloggers. They offered to help with his truck in order to get an inside scoop on what happens behind the scenes. Cannizaro hadn't known that they were federal agents. He allowed them entry into his food truck and they went searching for evidence. They later found evidence of blood. That was enough for them to detain Cannizaro and they questioned him about the blood. He said it was his. He said that Delfino came to him all angry and started a fight with him. Delfino hit Cannizaro. He drew blood and that seemed to snap him out of his anger.

Cannizaro claims that Delfino apologized to him. He said he was trying to break old patterns and he only came in all hot because he was trying to protect his loved ones. Delfino told Cannizaro that he was trying to make things before he shipped out. What he said got to Cannizaro and Cannizaro agreed to switch to burritos once he had run out of corn. He really did steal the recipes from Greco, but he was trying to make it right now and so he hadn't killed Delfino. Delfino was knocked out and placed in the back of that truck and it wasn't Cannizaro. The results came back that it had been his blood in the back of his truck. He had been telling the truth and so the team went back to Delfino's friends and family.

The girl who had run over when she heard Delfino died — she had dated Delfino. He apparently noticed that she was being harassed by the food supplier and so he told the guy to back off. Richard, the supplier, then claims that Delfino disappeared before they could finish their discussion. Richard had gotten a ticket on his truck and he had needed to move his truck before he got another one and by the time he came back he swears that Delfino was gone. The next time he saw him, Delfino was dead in the back of his truck. It had seemed a little too convenient for the team to believe and they decided to detain Richard in spite of his story. They were talking about what to do next when Gibbs got a call from Fornell.

Fornell had told him earlier that he planned on moving to Costa Rica. He was at retirement age

and he had wanted to move on with his life. Only the call hadn't been about his trip. Fornell called saying that there was something wrong with Emily and so Gibbs fled the scene of a potential arrest to go to his side. Fornell had been at a hospital. His daughter Emily who is an addict had relapsed and he hadn't known who else to call. His wife is dead. He doesn't really have any friends besides Gibbs and so he called Gibbs. Gibbs hadn't known how to help. All he could do was just sit with Fornell in the waiting room.

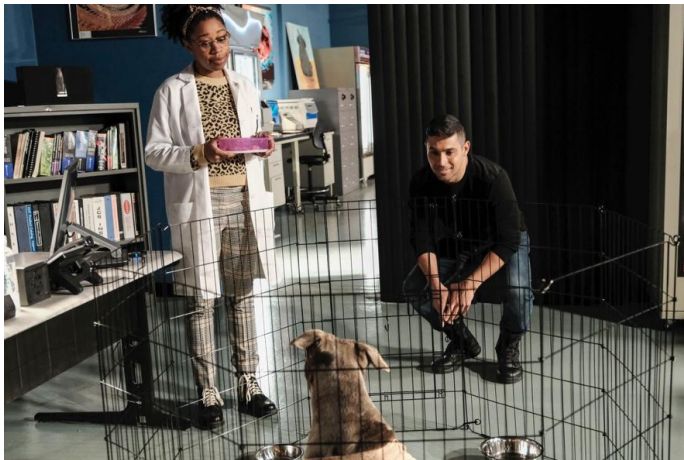
Meanwhile, the case with Delfino was solved. He apparently had lost his temper again. He had gotten into an argument with the guy who wrote parking tickets and it turns out the guy snapped. He shoved Delfino into a truck. It knocked him out and so the guy moved his body. He killed Delfino because he was tired of being hated every day. And so that was that.

And unfortunately, Emily Fornell later died from a drug overdose.

Watchdog

Season 18
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Season Episode: 10

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Production Code: 18010
Summary: NCIS uncovers a secret dog fighting ring, which leads to an unexpected move by one of the team members.



There was an incident with a convoy. A group of military personnel was transporting weapons to a second location when they got into a fender bender and they only had an accident because of a stray dog. The dog had run out into the street right in front of the vehicle. The driver of one of the vans was forced to pull the vehicle to a sharp stop and it was so abrupt that one of the weapons came loose in the back. The Navy missile fell out of the vehicle.

It was damaged and it was considered armed. The convoy ended up having to call it in. NCIS was called because of the

Navy missile and Gibbs spoke to the driver. He asked him what happened to the dog. Gibbs hasn't been himself since his goddaughter died and he almost lost his temper when the driver appeared to dismiss the dog entirely.

The driver hadn't cared about the dog. He said that with everything that's happened he should have just run over the dog and so Gibbs took him to task. Gibbs cared about the animal. He and his team went looking for it and they eventually found him wounded in the woods. The dog wasn't wounded by the car.

The vet later told the team that the dog had been shot and this wasn't the first dog she's seen with a bullet wound. Two other dogs have come into her practice. The vet said they had all been abused and they were all shot. The dog Gibbs found was the only one that was still alive. It seems Gibbs's new friend was a part of an illegal dogfighting ring and so Gibbs personally investigated it.

He went out alone. He traced where the dog was coming from and it led back to a woman.

This woman owns five dogs. She said it's cheaper than having a man and she also said that her neighbor tends to cross over onto her property. The neighbor, Luke, also has dogs. He was apparently a fisherman and so Gibbs checked out the pond he's been fishing in. He looked into the pond. He found a cage from a kennel and inside the cage had been a dead dog. It had appeared that Luke drowned his dog.

This enraged Gibbs. He went up to Luke's RV and he started punching him. Gibbs didn't try to arrest him or identify himself. He went straight to punching him and his team had to pull him off. Torres, McGee, and Bishop had wanted to check up on Gibbs because they knew he was being overly attached to this dog case.

Gibbs usually puts some distance between himself and what he's investigating. Only this time it seems like he couldn't distance himself. He took all of his anger about what happened to the dogs and what happened to Emily Fornell out on Luke. His team being there was the only reason Gibbs hadn't killed Luke Stanna.

Gibbs even got in trouble for what he did because Luke pressed charges and so Gibbs was later arrested for aggravated assault. Gibbs was taken away by investigators. He told his team before he left that they should tell the truth and that meant he didn't want them lying for him. He crossed a line. He knows he crossed a line and he doesn't want the team to sink themselves because of him. He just wants them to do their job.

The team cares for Gibbs. They continued the investigation he started and they found evidence of dogfighting. It turns out Luke was a gambling addict. He's missed several meetings because he wanted to put money on the ponies and he went from ponies to dogs. He even had the steroids he used on the dogs still in his trailer. Plus, there was eight grand hidden under his mattress.

The team later questioned Luke and he claimed the steroids were his. He said he was looking to get back into shape. He also said he won that eight grand in a card game and so he wasn't admitting to anything he didn't have to. The team knew he was guilty but proving it was going to be hard and it didn't help that the team had to take time away from the investigation to answer questions.

They were all questioned about Gibbs's behavior. They were asked if they saw Gibbs attack Luke and they all responded with a story about how Luke was trying to flee when he tripped and fell. Bishop, McGee, and Torres were all risking their careers because they wanted to protect Gibbs. They were protected in spite of what he asked of them. He told them to tell the truth and instead, they told lies. It wasn't even a believable lie.

There was no way Luke could have tripped and fallen on his face several times. It was implausible. The team was lying and everyone knew it. Vance had watched the team be questioned. He saw when they all lied for Gibbs and he later reported it to Gibbs. He also hired Gibbs a lawyer. Gibbs hadn't liked the news or having a lawyer.

Gibbs also didn't get a say in either. His lawyer was there to represent him and it was too late for the team to take back the lie. The team chose to focus on clearing Gibbs's name. They wanted to prove that Luke was murdering dogs once he was done using them for fights and so they went looking for evidence. They tried to connect the steroids to the dogs. The dogs were tested and none of them had steroids in their system.

There were no new leads. Luke's neighbor doesn't even want to testify against him because she was afraid of what he might. She was a little old lady that lived alone on a large plot of land with dogs and so she didn't want to take the risk. And without her, the team had nothing and so they tried arresting Luke for possession of steroids and the IG stopped them.

The Inspector-General called what NCIS was doing to Luke a "witch hunt". They couldn't find any evidence against him and they were now trying to harass him any way they could. This wasn't legal. Luke already had a lawsuit prepared for what happened to him and so stunts like trying to arrest him for the littlest of things were just going to further irritate him. The team couldn't touch Luke. He was now off-limits and they also had other problems to deal with.

McGee had been wearing a body camera the day he pulled Gibbs off of Luke. The video from it could prove that Gibbs assaulted Luke and that the team covered for him. They lied to a federal agent for him. They were all guilty of a federal crime and so the three of them considered going one step further.

Both Bishop and Torres thought they should erase the footage from the body cam. They tried to talk McGee into doing so and he was firm in telling them no. He took the footage to Vance.

They both watched it together and McGee noticed something he didn't spot before. He noticed that Luke already had blood on him before he was attacked.

The team ran a DNA test on the blood and it came back to be their dog. The dog was now named Lucy. The team could finally connect Luke to dog abuse and so they went to go arrest him. Luke hadn't been at his house. He went on the run and so they found him by using the GPS in his personal poodle's collar. Luke was later arrested. They also found his other dogs and rescued them.

The IG adopted two of the dogs. He also didn't press charges against either Gibbs or his team. So, the whole team should have been off the hook but they weren't. Vance still punished. He suspended him. He got back his badge and gun and the only bright spot in this whole thing is that now Gibbs is the owner of Lucy.

Gut Punch

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Guest Stars: William Allen Young (U.S. Secretary of Defense Moses McClaine), Victoria Gabrielle Platt (NCIS Special Agent Veronica Tyler), Zane Holtz (NCIS Special Agent Dale Sawyer), Andrew Pifko (Miles Thatcher), Daniel Peera (Nasser Al-Kamal), Connie Jackson (Elaine), Pam Dawber (Marcie Warren), Paolo Andino (Arthur), Preston Butler III (Kendle Spotnitz), Kamel Haddad (Yemeni Foreign Affairs Minister), Brick Jackson (Little Pinky)
Production Code: 18011
Summary: Vance assigns McGee, Torres and Bishop to COVID compliance duty at a foreign affairs summit, where they discover a link to another NCIS team's murder case.



There were bound to be repercussions for the team. They had lied after all to a federal agent to cover up something Gibbs did, and so Vance couldn't allow them to get away with it. He suspended Gibbs. He now has to punish the rest of them. Vance assigned the team to COVID compliance duty at a foreign affairs summit and those things were the worst. They came with so many pitfalls.

The team couldn't risk causing an international incident and they also couldn't even attend any of the cool events. The team knew instantly that they were being punished when they were given this assignment. They got COVID

compliance while others got to attend the new Secretary of Defense and go to his dinner for the Yemeni Foreign Affairs Minister. And so not only were they being punished but now everyone at NCIS knows they're being punished.

Gibbs's team was once known as the dream team. They all the great mysteries and the biggest budget. However, they were passed over in a recent case that came up because Vance wanted them to be compliance officers. They were therefore getting their punishment and no one told Gibbs. They didn't want to worry the boss. They just carried on with the job all the while Gibbs was fending off reporters.

It turns out that reporters had gotten a whiff of a scandal at NCIS and they want the full story now. They've been asking Gibbs for a comment. One woman also cornered Gibbs at the diner

and he thankfully saw her coming because he had seen her picture in the paper. Gibbs didn't want to talk to reporters. He also didn't want to make a fuss about his suspension.

Gibbs just wants to take his punishment on the chin. He knows that he'll go back to work and so he's willing to wait for his suspension out. His team on the other hand weren't as optimistic about their own punishment. They all hated setting up the COVID body temp readers. No one respected them and it was eating at them that they weren't working the case that came in. It was a murder investigation.

Marine Lance Corporal Jesse Flint was killed and his body was literally dumped in a dumpster. Flint was days away from being dishonorably discharged. He was also awaiting charges for domestic abuse against his girlfriend and so he wasn't a good guy. It was clear why someone murdered him. Another team had been assigned his case and unfortunately one of the other guys was Sawyer.

Sawyer was the world's most annoying man. The team all hated him because he had a chip on his shoulder about them getting all the great cases and so Sawyer was getting his revenge now. He boasted about how it was his team that was investigating Flint's murder. He even went as far as to say he was now the A team and Gibbs's crew were the losers.

Which they resented. Bishop, Torres, and McGee couldn't help getting information on the case because they all wanted to know what it involved and Torres had seen the body. Torres spotted a paint mark on the body. He didn't know what it was from and neither did Palmer. And so it wasn't until Torres had seen a similar paint mark on McGee that he realized Flint had been on the SECDEF's property.

The team spoke about this within hearing distance of Sawyer who told them there was a reasonable explanation for it. Sawyer said that the victim worked as a part-time handyman and that he worked all over town. He then added that he and his partner have got a great suspect. Flint's

ex-girlfriend skipped town around the murder and she was being tracked as they spoke. Sawyer told the team that he got this. He also said that they should be focusing on their punishment because it wouldn't look good for them if he went to Vance and complained about them. Only this didn't stop the team. They continued to work the case on the side and so they later confirmed that Flint had been working at the new Secretary of Defense's property.

SECDEF's aide Miles Thatcher was the one to confirm it for them. He said that the house was going through extensive remodel ever since a new administration took over and that Flint was one of many that were hired. The team next checked Flint's items. They found a hypodermic needle in his possessions and it couldn't be explained. Flint wasn't a paint wizard. He didn't mix his own paints and he had written down a paint name that couldn't be found in any brand of paint. Bishop figured out that it wasn't painted. It was a location and she later visited it with her team. The three of them found a workstation and it was clear by what they saw that Flint had been casing the joint at SECDEF's and not working as a handyman.

Flint had a stockpile of weapons. He also rigged his hideout to blow and so the bomb squad was called. Vance was also called while they were at it. Vance received a report from the team and they told him that Flint was a hitman. He was hired to target the new Secretary of Defense dead. He had been paid by someone and they weren't sure if the hit was called off once the hitman died. The team told Vance that they'll continue investigating, but he told them not to do it. He reminded them that they once again stepped out of bounds of what they've been assigned. He wanted them to hand over everything to Sawyer and his partner Tyler and the team were to take orders from their fellow NCIS Agents.

Sawyer was deeply upset when he later found out what Gibbs's team did. He too reminded them that not everything is about them and that there were other NCIS Agents working in the building. Each and every time Gibbs's team messed up, they all had to deal with the repercussions. He was sick of having to clean up after them and he told them as much. Sawyer and Tyler gave the team their new assignments. They were to do the grunt work.

Sawyer and Tyler meanwhile continued to investigate and so did the team. They again ignored protocol. The team learned that the musician hired for the party at SECDEF's property had a record he was trying to hide. They went to his home and they ran into Sawyer and Tyler.

The two other agents had also realized Kendle Radcliffe was suspicious. They went to his house and they found him dead in his bathroom. He had apparently killed himself with the same gun he used on Flint. Sawyer and Tyler both thought this meant their case was closed.

The evidence all matched that threat was removed and so SECDEF went ahead with his party. Torres, Bishop, and McGee all had a gut feeling that the case wasn't closed and so they visited Kasie.

They asked her if she found anything they could use. She told them the needle they found had traces of liquid potassium in it. It wasn't dangerous on its own only it was dangerous to the SECDEF because he has a chronic kidney condition.

And so the team rushed to the party and they stopped the secretary from drinking his champagne. They later showed him how it could have killed him and they knew who did it, but the team left it to Sawyer and Tyler to break the news. They were given all the credit and they were the ones who did the debriefing with Vance. It turns out someone attached to the Yemeni Foreign Minister had tried to kill SECDEF to stop the alliance from going through.

And just as the team thought they finished everything, they learned that Gibbs spoke to the journalist and he told his whole story. Even the part that could cost him his job.

Sangre

Season 18
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Season Episode: 12

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Guest Stars: Steven Bauer (Miguel Torres), Tijuana Ricks (CIA Agent Pamela Walsh), Christine Dunford (Jeri Fleckman), Alex Feldman (Retired Marine Sergeant Thomas Baird), Ektor Rivera (Father), Connie Jackson (Elaine), Pam Dawber (Marcie Williams), Jeff Elam (Lead detective), Tiago Martinez (5-Year-Old Boy), Stephanie Cleough (Kelly Larson)
Production Code: 18012
Summary: Evidence from the stabbing of a Marine Sergeant leads Torres to meet his father, Miguel, who left when he was a child.



Years ago, back in Panama, Torres woke up in the middle of a night because of noise. It had been his father and his father was leaving. He was leaving for good. His father hadn't wanted a young Torres to know he was leaving. Maybe he didn't want to deal with tears or maybe he didn't want Torres to alert his mother.

It didn't really matter in the end. Miguel convinced his son that he was just going out for a few minutes and that he would be back in time for when his son got up for the day and Torres naturally believed him. He was a child. He would've believed everything his loving father told

him. But unfortunately, that was the last time Torres saw his father Miguel. Miguel cleared out the money they were hiding in the house and he left. And so Torres's last memory of his father was being lied to.

Years past. Torres grew up and he came to live in the United States. He became a citizen. He even became a federal agent as an NCIS Special Agent and he and his team were called out to the murder scene of Marine Staff Sergeant Richard Larson. Larson was found stabbed to death in a property for sale. The sale was being handled by the realtor and she has never met the victim. She came in one day to check the house before an open house where she found dead in the bathroom.

The realtor, therefore, didn't give him a key and yet Larson was found with one. The agents found a key near his remains. They also found DNA on him and it came back as a familial match to Torres. Torres asked Kaisey if she was sure. She told him she was and she added how the familial match belonged to a male relative.

Kaisey couldn't add anything else because the DNA was too corrupted. Torres knew that it couldn't be his sister or his niece because again the DNA was male and so it had to be one of his cousins. Torres had heard his father had died years ago. He immediately dismissed him when Kaisey asked about him and so he sent out feelers to see where his cousins were. He and Jimmy were checking with his extended family when the rest of the team came back with updates.

Larson had gotten a key to the house because he worked as a move to the decorator who staged the home. Another thing the team learned was that the same vehicle was driving around the neighborhood more than once during the time of the murder and so they tracked that vehicle down. And they went to where it was last seen.

Only Torres hadn't counted on running to supposedly dead father. His father recognized him instantly and that was a surprise for someone who hasn't seen him since he was five. Torres also really thought his father was dead. He had been shaken to see the opposite was true and it didn't help that Miguel tried to resist arrest when McGee was about to detain him. Miguel was their chief suspect in Larson's murder.

He acted suspiciously with McGee and so they had to arrest him. They brought him to the station. They questioned him about Larson and he denied knowing him. He even had an excuse for why his DNA was at the scene. Miguel said he visited the open house. He claims he was looking to buy a home to be closer to his family in the area and that was funny because Torres had thought he was dead for years.

Miguel explained away the DNA by claiming he used the bathroom while he was visiting the house. He also said he fought back because the first thing he saw was someone coming towards him with a gun and so, in spite of his flawed story, the team actually didn't have any evidence to hold onto him. They still did so because technically they could for twenty-four hours. They just looked for evidence in the meantime and the first thing they did was check Miguel's hotel room.

They found a fake room he was using as well as the real one. Torres had found the real one because Miguel had booked it in Torres's mother's maiden name and so they found Miguel's guns. They found the photos of another Marine by the name of Thomas Baird and they wondered what was going on. Torres hadn't wanted to wait for answers.

He went into the interrogation room. He confronted his father. It turned into a nasty argument and McGee had to pull Torres off of Miguel. It turns out NCIS has been ordered to stand down. They have to release Miguel because he was working with Pamela Walsh from the CIA and so Director Vance has even gotten involved in the case.

Miguel as it happens was a CIA freelance operative. He works in Southern America for them and he has for years. He's been making a lot of money while Torres's family was starving until the church stepped in to help. Torres is now bitter to learn his father could have helped and he never did. He's also upset he couldn't arrest his father. Miguel was technically one of the good guys and what he's involved in is bigger than the fight between him and Torres.

Miguel was looking for Baird because Baird was a traitor. He himself was a CIA Officer and he was supposed to be helping them take down a known terrorist named Yusef Qassem when someone tipped off Qassem. He was able to hide detection. He also went into hiding and Baird did the same. Baird was receiving money as well as supplies from his friend in the Marines, Larson. Up until Baird killed Larson, Baird is in DC cleaning up loose ends and Miguel followed him up here.

Miguel is CIA or CIA adjacent. Neither he nor his bosses can investigate Baird on domestic soil and so Vance said his team was going to take point. He told Walsh it was either them or the FBI and she chose NCIS. Vance also had a word with Torres. He said that as a father he could never understand what Miguel did but this case has to take precedence and Vance couldn't afford to lose another good agent.

Torres agreed to put his disagreements with his father to the side. He continued working on the case and that meant working with Miguel. Miguel later got him alone. He explained how he had been forced to leave his father because the dictator of their country has found out Miguel was working against him. Miguel said he spent a few years working with other organizations to change the world and that's how he was contacted by the CIA.

But Miguel said once he started making money, he started donating to the church in their hometown with the wish that the money gets passed to his family and so he had been taking care of them. The dictator was eventually overruled. Torres asked Miguel why he didn't return then and he said that he gained too many enemies thanks to his work with the CIA.

Miguel still kept tabs on his family. He visited them without them knowing and that's how he recognized Torres as an adult. Miguel explained everything yet it wasn't enough for Torres. He was still hurt the father he loved and trusted lied to him. He agreed to work with his dad on this case. He just wasn't sure about afterward.

The team later found out Baird took a bank manager hostage and they tracked him back to a cabin in the woods. Miguel and Torres were the ones who found Baird. They had him cornered and he told them he wasn't the bad guy. He said he had been blamed for the failed op when it wasn't true. He took the bank manager because the real traitor had made away with the money that was supposed to take down Qassem and only the bank manager can prove who really tipped off the terrorist.

It was Pamela Walsh. Her name was on the bank records for the stolen money and unfortunately, Miguel told his boss about them finding Baird. She followed them to the cabin. She attempted to kill everyone inside. Torres and Miguel snuck out Baird. They couldn't do the same with the bank manager because he was killed instantly and so the two men came up with a plan.

They surprised the hitmen after them. They each took down a man and that only left Walsh. Walsh wanted to kill everyone to cover up what she did, but Miguel saw a knife lying on the ground and he told his son in Spanish to use it while he created a diversion. The diversion was getting himself shot. It gave Torres the opportunity to throw the knife and kill Walsh. And Miguel was just fine. He was wearing a bulletproof vest.

Later, the team learned that Walsh had hired Miguel without telling her bosses. She also hired two Russian assets to kill him and Baird and so Miguel saved the day. He was such a hero that Torres later offered his father an olive branch. He agreed to introduce his father to his granddaughter if he would like it and Torres even said he would pick him up from the hotel. Miguel agreed to this plan, but he bailed before Torres could get to the hotel and so Torres broke the bad news to his family and he went to go have dinner with Gibbs. If nothing else, Gibbs can be counted on.

Misconduct

Season 18

Episode Number: 411

Season Episode: 13

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Production Code: 18013
Summary: The team investigates a biker killed in a hit and run as Gibbs prepares to testify against a financial advisor who stole millions from his Navy clients.



Someone ran over a biker. This biker was out on his morning routine with his friend and unfortunately, his friend was waylaid when his chain came undone. Therefore, it seems the killer used this opportunity to kill the biker once he was alone. The biker was identified as Petty Officer Second Class Michael Benson and his death was naturally NCIS's jurisdiction. They were called in to investigate.

They saw the body and they also found the bike that belonged to Benson's friend. It did have a broken chain. The friend wasn't lying about that however there was footage of the accident and it was

clear the friend witnessed the hit and run and that he fled the scene after checking to see if the coast was clear. This "friend" didn't even check on Benson. He didn't call for help or check for a pulse. He just left him in the middle of the street to die.

The footage of the friend running away was given to the team. Kasie checked it and she couldn't get the license plate or a clearer look at the friend. All she could identify from the video was that the car that hit Benson was a black sedan. It didn't give the rest of the team much and everyone was stuck on the friend.

They questioned if he could have been involved in the setup. They looked through Benson's contacts in efforts of finding this friend and in the meantime Palmer carried out his examination. Benson died from the hit and run. He suffered internal bleeding and his death was quick. His

death might also have been an accident. The victim was wearing the same outfit with the same bike and riding the same route like his friend Bernard Wilson.

Wilson hadn't been the one to die. Only he did suspect he might have been the intended target and that's why he ran. Wilson was the star witness in the Parker James trial. He was James's accountant and he was a firsthand witness to the biggest Ponzi scheme in Naval history. Wilson was due to testify the same day as the accident.

The team called Gibbs knowing that he would be on the trial and they asked him about Wilson. Wilson didn't show up at court. The prosecution had to ask for more time so that could find their witness and it was later revealed that the reason Wilson didn't show up is that he's dead. He was shot in his garage. The killer must have realized his or her mistake in killing Wilson's friend and they finished the job.

NCIS found Wilson. He had clearly been shot in the head by whoever James hired and so now it was up to them to prove it. They had to prove Parker James was behind the death of two men. The team was the one to make the original case against James and Gibbs was supposed to testify in the trial, but the prosecutor removed him from her witness list because of Gibbs's recent history. Gibbs was suspended after assaulting a suspect in one of his other cases.

His credibility isn't strong right now and the prosecutor thought she had Wilson to make her case. Now, she's down her star witness. He had been murdered and her next best shot at conviction is Gibbs. Gibbs had overheard James's confession. He could testify to that and everyone is hoping that Gibbs will be able to keep his cool on the stand.

Gibbs's recent behavior is the reason why everyone's doubting him now. He normally would have been a great witness and nowadays not even Vance wanted to take a chance on him. Vance and the prosecutor spoke. They both agreed Gibbs was the next best option. Vance followed up this conversation by visiting Gibbs and he warned Gibbs about the repercussions of his testimony. Gibbs was going to be asked about the assault. His testimony will then become public record and it could potentially cost him his job at NCIS. Not that Gibbs cared. Gibbs wanted to take down James more than anything and so he was willing to risk his career. Nothing was going to stop him from testifying.

The team meanwhile was looking for evidence. They needed to know to find out how James arranged a murder for hire and their usual suspects like his lawyer were out. McGee knew the lawyer really well. He was smarmy but he wouldn't arrange a murder for his client and so that left everyone else who visited James in prison. The team spoke to James's ex-wife. She said she only visited because she and James were going through a divorce and she needed him to sign paperwork.

She also said that James was with someone new. She ran into her in the waiting room and the young woman had practically threatened her to stay away from James. The young woman was identified as Hanna Devereaux. She saw footage of James's arrest and she became obsessed with him. Hanna started writing him letters.

James replied by asking her to visit him. Her obsession was so concerning that her father became worried when she didn't return home one night and he told Bishop that Hanna left behind her cell phone as well. This coupled with the fact that the team found the car and were able to determine whoever was driving was really short — made Hanna the best suspect in their murder-for-hire. Except she wasn't hired. She must have done it for "love".

The team eventually found Hanna when she visited James at the prison and they questioned her. They asked her if she was willing to kill the man she loves. Hanna said that wasn't her. She claims she was in a congressman's office trying to drum up support for James and that she thought it would help if she wrote a letter to the congressman. She wrote him twenty-three pages.

Most of it was bad rhyming. Hanna claims she has a gift for letters because James told her he fell in love with her after one paragraph and so now she lives to write letters. She even saves the ones he sends her. Bishop took a copy of one and she couldn't find any evidence of wrongdoing. Like sure it was weird but it was legal. The team couldn't find any concrete evidence indicating Hanna was involved and that meant they had to keep looking.

They were still looking when Gibbs took the stand. Gibbs was asked about the assault and he was asked if he regretted it. He said he doesn't. His credibility was so shot that the jury found James not guilty. James claims he invested the money he took from clients and that he lost it on the market and the truth is he exchanged thirty million dollars for casino chips.

Casino chips never expire. They were easier to hide and so James still had a nest egg. He also still has a wife. His wife paired her cell phone with the car used to kill Benson and the team had enough evidence on her to arrest her for murder. They then told Charlotte that if she didn't talk, she would be taking the fall alone and so she turned on her husband. They were both arrested for Benson and Wilson's murder. And the team closed their case.

They tried to call Gibbs to tell him about it but he was ignoring their calls.

Unseen Improvements

Season 18
Episode Number: 412
Season Episode: 14

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Guest Stars: Kamran Abbassian (Nazar), John Bobek (Sergeant Barnes), Anahi Bustillos (Doctor Sarah Hildegard), Jack Fisher (Phineas), John Gloria (George Kaydar), Pezh Maan (Hassan Sayegh), Sebastian Quinn (Otto), Philip Shahbaz (Doctor Hamza Bashar), Richie Stephens (Edgar Proust), Karri Turner (Micki Kaydar)
Production Code: 18014
Summary: NCIS tracks a stolen laptop to the uncle of a young boy, Phineas, Gibbs' former neighbor.



A delivery driver was working late at night. He was in fact making a delivery when the person who ordered decided to cancel the order and so he was heading towards his car when he found a dead sailor by it. The dead man was later identified as Navy Captain Strauss Tubman.

It was believed he was coming home when he was attacked by a thief and shot point-blank in the chest. The thief made off with the laptop case he was carrying as well as possibly his car. Tubman then crawled to a nearby vehicle where he died and was later found. But there was

a problem with the victim. The victim worked at the NMCC otherwise known as the National Military Command Center and those were the people in charge of nuclear codes on submarines.

Tubman's laptop was therefore very valuable. Tubman was given to NCIS to investigate and they made it their mission to find the victim's laptop. Tubman didn't just work at the NMCC. He worked with encryption researchers by helping encrypt the Navy's nuclear code and so his laptop held his research. It's also odd how the victim was found. He didn't crawl towards the building or towards help. He went to a parked car.

The team joked about him possibly wanting something to eat and that's why he went to a delivery driver's vehicle but, jokes aside, the team didn't really know why Tubman crawled in that direction. They later believed they found the shooter when they got a match for the DNA under Tubman's fingernails.

The DNA was a match for Edgar Proust. He was dumb as rocks and he tried to deny being the shooter. Never mind the DNA or how the team found the murder weapon in Proust's gym bag. Proust eventually confessed he did kill Tuban and that it had been an accident. They fought over the gun when it went off.

Proust had been paid to steal the laptop and he said whoever paid him was from the Middle East. He also added how they accessed some files that had the NCIS logo on them. Kasie traced the hack and she determined whoever hacked them had accessed files on Phineas. Phineas was the kid that Gibbs became close to. He also helped him to relocate after his mother was taken down for being a known criminal and one of the reasons he's in hiding now is because of his uncle.

His Libyan uncle had tried to kidnap him. Hassan Sayeh put a million-dollar bounty on his nephew and now he's managed to find him by getting to Tubman's laptop. The team had to notify Gibbs because of his connection to Phineas. The two were close and Gibbs was genuinely upset when he heard about the threat to the young boy's life.

He called Phineas's cell phone. He got a state trooper. The state trooper was responding to the scene of an "accident" and he said only adults were found at the scene. Both were rushed to the hospital while there was no sign of Phineas. Phineas had been kidnapped and Gibbs was prepared to come off of suspension to find him. Gibbs went to the hospital where Phineas's adoptive parents were.

Gibbs tried to speak with them. They were unfortunately in a bad way and both had been rushed into surgery. Gibbs couldn't speak to them, but when he returned home, he found Phineas hiding in his house. The young boy had escaped his kidnapers. He then went to the only place he knew was safe and that was Gibbs's. Gibbs treated Phineas's wounds. The young boy had a cut over his eye and he told Gibbs what happened as he was being treated.

Phineas and his parents had come back from the mall when they saw two people running out of their house. They took off in the car and that's when they were run off the road. Phineas's mother told him to run after they crashed. He did and he didn't look back to see if anyone was chasing him.

Phineas went to Gibbs because he didn't think his evil uncle knew about Gibbs. Which thankfully he doesn't. Phineas was safe and Gibbs later informed the team that was the case. Gibbs and Phineas were catching up while the team was looking into his uncle Hassan. There had been chatter coming out of Libya and they tracked Hassan back to town. He was working with four others to get his hands on his nephew.

The team was tracking him down but often their personal issues kept coming up and everyone was talking about Bishop and Torres. The two were flirty with each other. Everyone saw it and they questioned when the two of them will finally have the "talk". They talk of where they seeing their relationship in the future.

They were coworkers. They were also friends and so Bishop didn't want to risk it by dating Torres. Torres was also resistant to change. Neither of them wanted to jeopardize what they have by seeking something more and so they've decided to just be friends. The two of them tracked Hassan back to a motel room. They went to this room with McGee and they found a young boy in a hospital plus his doctor. The doctor had been kidnapped from Libya to treat Hassan's son Ahmed. Ahmed was suffering from a rare form of leukemia. He needed bone marrow to survive and that's why Hassan wanted his nephew. He needed Phineas to save his son's life. He could have asked Phineas or Phineas's adoptive parents and instead, he reacted with brute strength because that's who he is.

Hassan will always choose violence. He even kidnapped a doctor to treat his son and fitted with him an ankle monitor so that he couldn't leave the motel room. Hassan's men had found out about Gibbs. It's why they weren't at the motel when NCIS arrived and so the team informed Gibbs. He laid a trap for Hassan's men. He captured them and with Phineas's help, he also captured Hassan. Hassan told Phineas about his son Ahmed before he was taken away. Phineas had been so moved that he later chose to donate his bone marrow to help his cousin and so truly all Hassan needed to do was ask.

Phineas's adoptive parents are going to be okay and his mom told him he could get the dog he always wanted. And so Gibbs gave Phineas Lucy.

The dog Lucy had taken a liking to Phineas and it made sense for Gibbs because he likes his solitude.

Blown Away

Season 18
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Season Episode: 15

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Guest Stars: Katrina Law (NCIS REACT Special Agent Jessica Knight), Chris Browning (NCIS REACT Supervisory Special Agent Tom Dalton), West Liang (Peter Kessler), Pam Dawber (Marcie Warren), Edward Gelhaus (NCIS REACT Special Agent Edward Madden), Tim Fox (Navy Petty Officer Second Class Toby Withers), Alison Rood (Tina), Cody Esquivel (NCIS REACT Special Agent Benji Vargas), Emmie Nagata (NCIS REACT Special Agent Diana Ono), Tristan Cunningham (Nurse Janeway)
Production Code: 18015
Summary: When members of an NCIS Regional Enforcement Action Capabilities Training Team (REACT) are killed during an explosion, NCIS Special Agent Jessica Knight, the lone surviving member, helps crack the case using high tech body armor.



A hostage situation got out of hand. Special Agent Jessica Knight of the NCIS acted as the hostage negotiator and she managed to convince the husband to release his wife. However, not long after the hostage was released, the building blew. The negotiator and her team had been inside the building when it blew up. Several members were killed including the husband they were talking down and two bodies were missing.

Knight and Special Madden's bodies weren't found with the rest. McGee and his team were brought in to investigate what happened and they went inside the

building hoping to find the remains of two of their associates when they ended up finding Knight alive. She had been buried in the rubble. She was injured and otherwise, she'll make it.

Knight surviving as she did was deemed a miracle. She was rushed to the hospital and she was still receiving treatment as the team began investigating what went wrong. NCIS originally went to the house to serve a warrant. Petty Officer Second Class Toby Withers was accused of stealing weapons and he was considered high-risk because of his ties to a white supremacist group. He did after all take his wife Tina hostage when he saw NCIS at his door.

Withers only released her after he found out she was pregnant and that he was going to become a dad. He seemed happy about the baby. He let go of his wife and everyone thought

he was turning himself over but then the bombing happened. No one knew where the explosive came from. Knight was the only one with intel and the team couldn't speak to her.

The hospital wasn't allowing visitors. The team had to get evidence elsewhere and they did by using the bodies. It was clear Withers was near to the bomb when he died. Parts of the bomb melded into his skin when it exploded. Kasie ran an analysis on the bomb and she determined it was remotely detonated by an app on a cell phone. Everyone assumed it was Withers. It wasn't until they finally got to talk to Knight that they realized he didn't set off the bomb.

They visited her at the hospital. She told them everything she remembered. She said Withers detested cell phones because he thought that's how the government was controlling people and he also didn't have the opportunity to set off the bomb. He was being handcuffed by three agents when it happened.

Withers wasn't the bomber. The bomber was still out there and no one was more dedicated to finding this bomber than Knight. She even tried to escape the hospital against the doctor's recommendation. She was stopped by a nurse who apparently stopped her more than once and so she didn't get to leave until she was properly released. Then she was told to take some days off. Knight ignored this recommendation and she returned to NCIS.

She later managed to get the team to agree to let her work the case for 48 hours. If she didn't get results in 48 hours, she would have to go home and take the necessary days off. Knight was a known face in the building. She and Kasie were friends. She also did her best in proving her team was murdered by one of Withers's militia friends.

Knight and her team had been wearing new technical gear. The gear determined where the signal was coming from and it even traced the cell phone used to detonate the device. Knight and Torres went to the location of the cell phone but the cell phone user was found dead. He was murdered. The bomber was identified as Richie Soren and it seems his real target was Knight's team. It wasn't even about Withers.

Soren called NCIS on Withers knowing that Knight's team would respond and so the bomb was planted at Withers's home as means of setting him up. Which didn't work because Withers was Withers. He hates cell phones and he wouldn't have used one to kill. He was in fact stealing weapons from the military to give to his "militia" friends which is a code word for white supremacists. And yet he wasn't the bomber.

Soren was the bomber. His RV had bomb-making materials still inside of it and he was paid thousands of dollars before he set off the bomb. Then he was killed. Whoever hired Soren probably wanted to clean up any loose ends and he or she murdered Soren to keep him quiet. There's no trace of this boss. The money Soren had on him couldn't be traced and to make things worse suspicion was falling on of Knight's team members.

Her friend Special Agent Eddie Madden was flagged. He was known for checking out millions of dollars of technical gear and it appears he was hoarding it as his house a possible means of selling it later. Eddie also had an advanced lung disease that he told no one about. And he made sure to cover up his theft by hacking the computer system to show he was somewhere else in the building when he wasn't.

Madden's body was found in the house. He died like everyone else and so he might have set up his team knowing that he was going to die anyway. Knight hadn't wanted to believe that of him. She told McGee he was wrong when he first raised suspicions and it took her having to see him steal their gear on security footage to make her realize her friend might have been dirty. The team acted like Madden was dirty.

They were investigating where he visited and they found out he was seeing law offices as well as chemical laboratories. Those people didn't seem like types who would buy stolen gear. The team investigated it and it was Palmer who found out the truth. The high-tech gear was what gave Madden lung disease. He had a preexisting condition of asthma and so that's why he got sick while his team members were still healthy.

Madden found out their gear was toxic. He tried to build a case against the man who built and it was his boss who turned on him. The guy who sent Madden and Knight and all the others to the building. Madden went to his boss to report the issue and rather than tell their superiors what was going on — he went to the man who built the thing and he turned on his team for money.

McGee and Torres later arrested Kessler who built the gear while Knight arrested her boss. She got justice for her team. She also realized that she did need to take time off to deal. Knight

didn't have a family. She was an orphan and so her team had been her family. And she was going to need time to let them go.

And while the team was working on this case, Gibbs managed to find him in the middle of a new investigation. He and his journalist were investigating her friend's death when they found out they were looking for a serial killer.

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Season Episode: 16

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Director: Diana Valentine
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Guest Stars: Donzaleigh Abernathy (NSA Deputy Director Ronda Ellis), Pam Dawber (Marcie Warren), Katrina Law (NCIS REACT Special Agent Jessica Knight), Rafael Petardi (Afrim Murati), Elayn J. Taylor (Odette Malone)
Production Code: 18016
Summary: While pursuing a dangerous arms dealer, the team is shocked when Bishop is implicated in an old NSA leak. Also, Gibbs and Marcie realize that the killer they've been tracking may be onto them.



Bishop isn't acting like herself. She was taking bigger risks out in the field and she recently met up with Gibbs to ask him if what he did was worth the fallout. He told her it was, but she wasn't upset by that answer. She instead seemed to agree with him. Bishop started to take risks after that conversation and she later killed two men in the field after the team had been authorized by the Director to carry out an undercover gun buy.

The gun buy was sorta ruined once the three guys selling guns identified McGee and Torres as law enforcement. The bad guys began shooting first and Bishop re-

sponded. She killed two and one got away. The one that got away was also the one running things. He was known as Mr. Flori. It was hard to identify him as well as his friends because they weren't in the system and so McGee later hacked the dead men's phones.

McGee found out the men were contacting a landline in the leadup to the shooting. The landline was connected to an address and the team followed up by going there. They found a deserted house. It was cleared of what seemed to be a weapons hideout and so the house was the stash house. The house also revealed that the bad guys were doing more than merely selling guns. They were also selling secrets.

The team found a classified NSA file at the house and the file was about the Americans using Syrian refugees to lure out an Al-Qaeda leader. It was legal. It also unethical and yet somehow the gun runners found out about it and we're selling the information on it. Bishop used to work at the NSA. The team was expecting her to use her connections there to get answers.

Only Bishop hasn't been working there in over ten years. She says her contacts there were all out of date and so that's where Knight stepped in. Knight was bored. Her former team had

all been killed off and she needed something to do. The team also needed someone with NSA contacts. They asked Knight to reach out to her friends and, while that was happening, the team continued their investigation.

They were still wondering how the bad guys got a hold of an NSA file when Director Vance came in. Vance had heard back from the NSA and the NSA believes that the person who passed on this file was Bishop herself. Bishop denied it of course. She said she never leaked information or risked her freedom to leak information and so the Director and Bishop spoke with Deputy Director Ellis of the NSA.

Ellis claims the data was breached ten years ago. Back when Bishop worked with the NSA and before the gun runners had entered the picture. This is why Ellis believes Bishop is guilty. She doesn't think Bishop has been set up and everyone else does. They knew Bishop. Bishop was going to be suspended while an investigation is carried out and so she couldn't work on her own case but this whole thing put the situation with Gibbs into perspective.

Bishop visited him after she too was suspended. She asked him if he was coming back and he pretended like he didn't know what she was talking about. Bishop was asking Gibbs if he was going to cut ties and run. She explained it to him and he just kept saying that it was in Vance's hands. Vance decides when Gibbs comes back.

Gibbs meanwhile was looking into a serial killer. He was approached by the journalist who wrote his story with the dog-killer and Marcie told him that she believes the person who killed her friend was still out there. Gibbs agreed to look at the case. He ran into similarities with another case and both he and Marcie soon learned that they were looking for a serial killer. This serial killer has killed four people already.

He or she targets people, ties them up, and then beats them to death with a hammer. Gibbs also noticed that he's being followed lately. He ran a test on his home and he found a bug that was planted in his basement. Gibbs warned Marcie about it. He even gave her the device to check her home and her office.

Gibbs wasn't thinking about NCIS. He wasn't even willing to show remorse to his team for his actions and what it cost them and so Bishop went directly from her chat with Gibbs to Vance's office. She confessed to him that she leaked the file. She leaked it because the NSA was using innocent refugees in order to get one bad guy and she found it to be wrong.

Bishop also didn't regret it. She quit her job at NCIS. She refuses to take that back and there was nothing anyone on the team could say to her that would make her change her mind. Bishop doesn't regret what she did. She won't even show remorse towards McGee and he thought he knew her. McGee wondered what else she was hiding. He was so lost after his conversation with Bishop that he sought out Gibbs.

Gibbs hadn't seen Bishop since she came clean about what she did. He was in fact told by Vance what happened and he hasn't reached out to anyone and he's still investigating his serial killer. Gibbs was busy. He and Marcie found out their serial killer has an itch for killing journalists and so they were tracking down their serial killer while the team was busting their case. They found their third gunrunner.

It was Mr. Murati. He confessed to selling guns and even storing them in one place. Only he had no idea where the file had come from. He had never seen it in his life and so Torres put together what really happened. Torres realized Bishop threw her career in the toilet because she was going under deep cover and it was possible for the CIA.

It's why Bishop has been taking extra training lately. Why she didn't want to go there with Torres and why she torched her career before she left. Bishop needed to be a disgraced federal agent for where she's going. And so Torres confronted her, but it was too late for them. She kissed him and she said goodbye as she began her new life.

As for Gibbs, he was out in his new boat when it exploded and there's no telling if he's alive or dead.

Season Nineteen

Blood in the Water (2)

Season 19
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Guest Stars: Katherine Cortez (Thelma McKeever), Dave Florek (Virgil McKeever), Travis Hammer (Randall Sledge), Terryn Westbrook (County Deputy Regina Unger), Pam Dawber (Marcie Warren), Yeniffer Behrens (Marta Jiménez), Derek Chariton (Lonny), Allie Davis (Sandy), Colin Land (NCIS Special Agent Brent Hollister)
Production Code: 19001
Summary: As the NCIS team searches for Gibbs after wreckage from his boat is discovered, they find out he was tracking a serial killer with journalist Marcie Warren, who wrote an exposé on him.



Gibbs was put on suspension. He was suspended after he attacked a suspect unprovoked and so Gibbs could have distanced himself from the world or get caught up in the boat he was making. He instead used his free time to help track down a serial killer. Gibbs had been helping Marcie Warren. She was the journalist that wrote a very honest expose on him and so she knew he was skilled.

She knew he catches killers for a living. She then turned to him for help because a friend of hers had been murdered

and she had wanted to solve the crime, but as it happens, her friend's death had been one of many. The killer proved to be a serial killer. He or she was following the investigation into them and that's why he or she tried to kill Gibbs.

Gibbs had taken his new boat out on the lake. It blew up and he managed to survive. Gibbs suffered a wound to the stomach. He swam out of the lake and he went to the ground. He was in hiding. While he was hiding, he managed to cover his tracks. No one knew he survived the boat bomb and so authorities were looking for a body. The deputies called in NCIS to inform them about the bomb.

McGee and Torres went straight to the scene. They wanted to be there to identify the body if a body was ever found and something strange happened. They found a body. It just wasn't Gibbs. It was the body of a young woman and she looks like she had been in the water for months. Everyone thought the body of this woman was in contact with Gibbs.

The deputy at the scene even asked the team what their boss had been up to? They hadn't been able to answer the question because Gibbs pushed them away during his suspension and so NCIS took over. They claimed jurisdiction because Gibbs was one of their own.

They also claimed the new body because McGee suspected that couldn't be a coincidence she was found where someone tried to kill Gibbs and to make matters worse they were down two agents. They had been making do without Gibbs with McGee stepping up in the leadership department. At the time, it had been him and Torres and Bishop. Bishop was unfortunately no longer with them because she decided to join the CIA.

Bishop also torched her career at NCIS before she left. Which means there was no way of her coming back for the investigation. Not that she knew about it because she left town before the news was revealed and she left Jimmy in charge of selling her house. Both Torres and McGee were lost without her. They were also upset about in their own different ways and so they were at each other's throats while trying to find Gibbs.

It was great that Kasie came in when she did or else the guys would have still been yelling at each other. Kasie had given Gibbs a bug finder to help him track down his serial killer and that was technically the property of NCIS. Kasie made sure to put a tracker in the bug-finder.

It was currently turned off. They couldn't find where Gibbs is but they could locate where he was by checking the GPS about it and that gave them a place to start. The two agents also had a new member of their team to work with. They were now working with Special Agent Knight. She came off to leave to help them investigate the case and she was glad to be back to knocking down doors.

She had been on leave because she herself had been involved in an explosion that killed her whole team. Knight was an experienced agent. McGee asked for her personally and she was a good fit for the team. She knew what she was doing. With her joining them, the guys were able to find Marcie's office.

They went there. They found it ransacked and no trace of Marcie. It turns out Marcie was at NCIS Headquarters. She found them to ask about Gibbs. She had heard about the boat bomb and she wanted to know if he was okay. They hadn't been able to give her an answer. Only Gibbs later called them. Gibbs told them to give Marcie round-the-clock protection and he refuses to say where he was or what condition.

Gibbs's wounds had gotten treated by an elderly couple who found him not long after the explosion. The couple had mistrusted him at first because he told them "no cops" and it wasn't until a fake deputy came around asking if they saw anything that they realized Gibbs was telling them the truth. Someone was out to kill him. And that person is still looking for him.

Gibbs plans on finding that person first. The elderly couple told him about the trouble going on in the North Shore part of the lake and how their delivery woman disappeared after her boyfriend became involved in the North Shore. Gibbs had been heading up there anyways to look for Camila Silas. She disappeared. She also fit the serial killer's MO for their victims. She was last seen in the North Shore area of the lake and that's where Gibbs was going when his boat blew up. Gibbs headed out to that area to pick up where he left off. He ended up running into his team and Knight. They spoke with Marcie and she told them about Camila.

Gibbs and his team were in the area when the fake deputy showed up with his men. NCIS was able to surround them and arrest them. The fake deputy was a drug dealer. He stole the uniform from his brother who was an actual deputy and he went looking around for anyone who might have spilled information on his "business". He just didn't kill anyone. The serial killer was still out there and Gibbs wanted to go after him. He wanted to do it alone and McGee wouldn't hear it. He was going to help Gibbs whether he liked it or not. He said as much to Gibbs and Gibbs in his own way had accepted the offer.

Nearly Departed

Season 19
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Season Episode: 2

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Guest Stars: Joe Spano (Tobias C. Fornell), Pam Dawber (Marcie Warren), John Hensley (Phil Hanover), Jason Wiles (Tom Samuels), Emily Berry (Gladys), Jaxy Boyd (Michelle), Nohely Quiroz (Carla)
Production Code: 19002
Summary: While trying to find the serial killer Gibbs was after, the NCIS team discovers another person has been tracking the case as well.



The episode begins with the team hunting their serial killer. Gibbs and the journalist Marcie Warren were the first to realize there was a serial killer out there however they soon roped in Gibb's team at NCIS. NCIS Special Agents were trained investigators. They along with Palmer working on the case is great. It means they're one step closer to finding the serial killer and even Director Vance is working with them. He knows about the team working with Gibbs. He didn't mind it and he was ready to return Gibbs's gun and badge

the second Gibbs is done playing dead. Gibbs was pretending to be dead. The serial killer realized that Gibbs and Marcie were investigating him and so he bugged their offices. He also tried to kill Gibbs by blowing up his boat.

Gibbs was lucky to survive. He only managed to do so because a veterinarian had been in the area and he had been able to patch up his wounds. But Gibbs wasn't ready to return to the land of the living. He wanted the serial killer to feel like he or she won. Gibbs thought the serial killer would get sloppy believing he's now safe from Gibbs and in a sense he had been right. The serial killer broke his pattern. He usually kills every hundred days and instead he killed sooner. He murdered Jennifer Hanover. She was covered in red tape and bludgeoned to death with a hammer. Just like the other victims. Hanover was married and so the team questioned her husband. They asked him when was the last time he saw his wife.

The husband told them that he last saw his wife when she went on her run. She has a smartwatch and she tended to thank him for it whenever she returned from her run. This time she didn't come back. The husband didn't get his thanks and so he filed a missing person report. He's been up ever since waiting to hear the news. Mr. Hanover's tip about the smartwatch proved helpful. Kasie was able to track the victim's movements thanks to the smartwatch and it showed where she was the last time the watch was active. Kasie sent the location to McGee. McGee

traveled with both Torres and Knight and they called Gibbs on the way. The three agents broke into the building where the victim was last shown and they saw her killer escaping out the back.

Knight and Torres went after him. They managed to lose him and so their killer was turning out to be a ghost. He even used a fake ID to rent the apartment. The killer used a real picture of himself in that fake ID and that meant they could use the photo to search for him in the database. Only his face wasn't hitting any markers that Kasie could trace. She was also dealing with Fornell. Fornell came back to make sure that Gibbs was faking his death and so Kasie broke the good news. Fornell and Gibbs were great friends. Fornell later tracked down Gibbs and the two men got to talking. Gibbs discussed his investigation. He also informed his team that there was a second man in all the security photos of their killer.

The second man wore the same thing each time. He also wore a K-95 mask and so they didn't know what he looked like. They only knew where he was going to be. They tracked him down to an apartment building and then waited for him. They were soon able to arrest him once he came out. Once they had him under arrest, they tried to find out who he was. They ran facial recognition and checked his fingerprints. Nothing showed up in their system. He was a ghost or so he wanted people to believe. The man they arrested was FBI Special Agent Alden Parker. Parker was investigating the serial killer as well and he didn't want NCIS blowing his cover. He also didn't want to be working with Gibbs.

Gibbs was a suspended agent. He also had something of notoriety and not in a good way. He did punch an unarmed man unprovoked after all. Technically, the guy was a suspect. He also murdered dogs that weren't good enough for dog fights and so Gibbs beat him up. It got him suspended. He was also pretending to be dead and so Parker didn't want to work with him but Vance forced him to keep Gibbs in the loop. Gibbs was on the phone with Kasie when she found their suspect. The suspect was seen buying flowers near a cemetery and Gibbs went to the cemetery before Kasie could warn the others. The team found Gibbs with his gun on the suspect. They told him to stand and eventually did. Even if he really didn't want to.

Gibbs came close to shooting the guy. He only stopped because Parker was there to remind him not to cross that line and thankfully he didn't. The team was able to arrest their killer. They identified him as Paul LeMere. He had his real passport on him and he had over three hundred thousand dollars. He had it hidden in his mother's grave. The team brought LaMere back to headquarters and they tried to interrogate him only he refused to answer questions without his lawyer. LaMere gave them the lawyer's phone number. The NCIS legal team called the number and it was disconnected. LaMere was simply buying time. He told NCIS that they didn't have any evidence against him and he had been wrong.

They found his thumb drive. LaMere was being paid fifty grand after every murder and so he wasn't a serial killer killing for thrills. He was actually a contract killer. He was a former Navy. He got kicked out for bad behavior and so Knight mentioned his offshore accounts to him while she was questioning him. But he reacted badly. He threw into the glass and used the momentum to break out. Torres was following him and he almost had when LaMere found Kasie and took her hostage. He was threatening to kill her when Gibbs and all people took him down. He didn't kill him. He just wounded him. Gibbs got his revenge.

He also seems to care about Marcie as more than friends because he had gotten jealous when she said she was going away with a friend named Mitch. Only Mitch was short for Michelle.

Road to Nowhere

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Season Episode: 3

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Guest Stars: Jason Wiles (Paul LeMere), John Hensley (Phil Hanover), Valarie Pettiford (Sonia Eberhart), Anna Campbell (Army First Lieutenant DFAS Andrea Falco), Allan McLeod (Ted), Karina Noelle Castillo (FBI Agent Ramirez), Parker Jay (Doctor), Karina Bonnefil (Alexis), Troy Vincent (Lawyer), Ashley Dulaney (Rebecca), Kendra Munger (Nurse #2), Sarah Khasrovi (Patty), Kim Reed (Nurse #1)
Production Code: 19003
Summary: Gibbs and Parker go on a road trip to find one of the serial killer's victims. Also, Agent Knight goes undercover at a large manufacturing company with ties to the murders.



The episode begins with the team caught the serial killer. However, he wasn't really a serial killer. He was a hitman and that meant each and every one of his victims was murdered because someone hired him to do it. The team has the hitman. They now just needed to find out who hired him. They couldn't find a link between the victims. The only thing they had was Paul LaMere. LaMere didn't want to go to prison without a fight and so he tried to escape. He took Kasie prisoner. He was then shot by Gibbs. Gibbs is an

expert shooter. He managed to shoot LaMere at the exact spot to take him down and not kill him. LaMere is expected to make a full recovery. He therefore could be questioned by whoever hired him because what Kasie found just wasn't making sense. She found that the money that was being paid to LaMere after every hit was coming from the Pentagon and again that doesn't make sense.

There is no way the government would hire LaMere to kill a bunch of civilians. Torres and Knight traced the money back to the DOD and their financial department. The same department handles all the money coming from the military as well as military contractors. It wasn't the DOD that authorized payment to LaMere. It was one of their contractors. The specific contractor was Sonova Industries. Sonova Industries were doing their best to hide the payment to LaMere and so it couldn't be traced any further. The only and last option the team had for answers was LaMere himself. He woke up at the hospital. He was told he was facing execution if he didn't cooperate and so he started talking. He said there was the eighth victim. And this victim would explain who hired him.

The eighth victim was in fact the first victim. LaMere murdered this person first and it was once his boss saw him in action that he hired him to murder the other seven. LaMere was willing to take the authorities to the first victim, but he had a request. He requested that he be handed over to Gibbs. He wanted to take Gibbs personally to the body and it was his only demand. The team agreed to it. Gibbs was fine doing it. Parker, unfortunately, tagged along believing his expertise was needed and he drove both LaMere and Gibbs up the wall with his questions. Parker thought he could get to LaMere. Like maybe there was a person behind the killer mask. Parker did his best to question LaMere and eventually, LaMere found him a story. Gibbs's story.

LaMere told Gibbs story to Parker. He tried to claim it as his own and Gibbs called him out on it. There was this strange dynamic between Gibbs and LaMere. Parker picked him on it after he realized LaMere had been lying to him and so he told Gibbs. He said that maybe shouldn't be alone at any point in time and Gibbs responded by leaving Parker at a lunch stop. Gibbs drove off with LaMere. He wanted the killer to show him the victim and he didn't want Parker getting in the way. Gibbs as still angry about his boat blowing up. It wasn't even the attempt on his life that phased him. It was the fact that this man blew up his boat and so the two of them being alone together wasn't the best idea Gibbs ever had. Gibbs was technically still suspended. He couldn't afford to violate someone else's rights right now and still, he drove off with LaMere.

The rest of the team meanwhile tried to solve the case without LaMere's input. They tried to trace the money again and they went as far as to put malware onto Sonova Industries' computers. They were hoping to find an answer using the malware when they came across Jenn Hanover's widow. The widow wanted to know why the man who killed his wife wasn't behind bars. He had a source who told him that LaMere had been seen walking around and so McGee had to reassure the widow that LaMere was still in custody. He also said that his best man was on it. McGee and the team later learned that Gibbs ran off with LaMere and ditched Parker. Parker had no idea where they were going and neither did the team. And that was an issue because the team later found LaMere's first victim and Gibbs and LaMere were nowhere near it.

The team learned from their malware that Sonova Industries has been spying on people. They were using a program called Skylark to spy on seemingly everyday citizens and three of the victims were on that list. The team went looking for the fourth person thinking she might still be alive and instead they found her dead at her home. It turns out she had put her accounts on automatic payments. It's why her bills have been paid and why no one thought she was dead. Libby Alonak was a travel writer. She worked freelance and was often gone months without anyone noticing. She also lived alone. She didn't have a family. She was the perfect victim in a sense because LaMere killed her two years ago and literally no one noticed. It was also odd that she would be under surveillance or that someone would kill her.

The team needed to get to the bottom of why the company was spying on people. They tried to question the CEO of Sonova Industries and Sonia Eberhart was denying any involvement. She said she has over sixty thousand employees. Any one of them could be behind the surveillance and so Eberhart played it cool. She then let her lawyer-speak for her. He said that she had business out of town and that was the end of the interview. It took Gibbs calling them to give them the last clue to make them put everything together. Gibbs called because LaMere killed himself. LaMere made Gibbs drive to his dead wife's house and there he said goodbye to her grave and stepped on a landmine. LaMere is dead. Gibbs survived. Gibbs passes on LaMere's last words. He said "Naktok Bay".

It's an area in Alaska. It's where Sonova Industries plans on building a copper mine. They killed the four people under surveillance because these same people would have warned the world about the disastrous effects on the environment if a copper mine opened up and so they were killed along with several others to make it look like a random serial killer. Eberhart left their headquarters to fly to Alaska and so she's probably going to try and do damage control. And it was up to Gibbs to stop her.

Gibbs told McGee to pack up. They were heading to Alaska.

Great Wide Open

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Guest Stars: John Hensley (Phil Hanover), Valarie Pettiford (Sonia Eberhart), Wayne Charles Baker (Tunu Alonak), Erik Passoja (FBI Deputy Director Wayne Sweeney), Pam Dawber (Marcie Warren), Nikki McCauley (Melanie Stafford), Karina Noelle Castillo (FBI Agent Ramirez), Kimberly Christian (Nina Bradshaw)
Production Code: 19004
Summary: The path leads to Alaska, where Gibbs and McGee go on a very long road trip. It's still all about getting information on the serial killer, Paul Lemere.



FBI Special Agent Aidan Parker wanted to be the man to take down Gibbs. He got a warrant for his arrest because a suspect died in Gibb's custody and Parker wanted to blame him for it. However, Gibbs wasn't home when Parker used that warrant. Gibbs and McGee flew to Naktok Bay in Alaska. It was there that the copper mine was being open.

The same mine that the CEO of Sonova Industries was so obsessed with that she paid a hitman to eliminate anyone who might argue against said mine.

The copper mine was worth potentially billions and so that explains the obsession just not the lengths in which Sonja Eberhart was willing to go. She truly did hire a hitman to kill people. She stalked and spied on people who "might" have reacted negatively to the mine and that was a big might.

These people didn't do anything to her. They didn't have any concrete proof that they would argue against the mine and so Eberhart only knew about them through the illegal spying. She used her app to spy on everyday Americans. She then collected a list of people who might say something and she killed them before they could. But, and it's a big but, the team didn't have evidence to prove this.

They couldn't tie Eberhart to any of the payments to the hitman and she denied all knowledge of it. She's claiming that a rogue agent at her company must have hired Paul LaMere. She also said she would look into it and everyone knew that was a lie. She quickly flew off to Alaska right after meeting with NCIS.

Eberhart wanted to be there to break ground on the new copper mine. She didn't even wait a day or at least pretend to investigate who in her company was willing to kill to open that mine

and so that confirmed to the team at least that she was involved. They just needed to prove it. Which is why Gibbs and McGee flew to Alaska. They wanted to speak with the first victim's family.

Libby Alonak was a native to the area and she was a journalist. An environmentalist journalist. She wrote a report that said Eberhart's initial environmental impact said the whole area would be devastated by the mine and she had an inside source. The team was now looking for that source. They wanted to prove Eberhart knew her mine was going to be destructive and she killed the person who figured it out.

It took Kasie less than a day to find out who the source was. It was a Marine Biologist and one of the victims. It seems him and her were the only ones killed with a clear motive of greed. Everyone else was either simply to kill any future adversary or to act as window dressing for a serial killer.

But there was never any serial killer. Just a hitman and the person who hired him. The team planned on getting the person who hired LaMere. They believe it was Eberhart. They later got their hands on the biologist's computer and they found out he wrote the original environmental report. They also learned that Eberhart signed off on it. This means she knew the true environmental impact and that she was motivated in eliminating the biologist.

Eberhart couldn't be the only one in the know. There had to be more people out there and the team went looking for them. They were sidetracked for a bit what with Parker showing up in Alaska. Gibbs called him because Gibbs remains a man of honor and he didn't want to be on the run. Only they convinced Parker to delay his arrest of Gibbs until they could take down Eberhart. They told Eberhart that they have their sights on her and they lured her into a trap to make her call her partner.

She called Phil Hanover. His wife's death had looked like just someone being killed to play up the serial killer angle and instead it was so much more. Hanover had property in Alaska. He sold it to Eberhart for millions and the deal would have gone bust if the real environmental impact had gotten out. And so she told him to get someone to fix it.

Hanover hired LaMere. LaMere killed those people and Hanover had his wife thrown in after she found out what he was doing. Hanover was the last link. He was arrested. Eberhart was arrested. Then Gibbs was arrested. Gibbs had been willing to turn himself in because he hadn't wanted McGee to be charged with aiding and abetting and so he told McGee to arrest him. McGee did his job. He arrested the fugitive.

McGee handed Gibbs over to Parker and Parker almost went through with the arrest in spite of his own protests to the matter. It seems Gibbs was only going to be arrested because he was known outlaw. The FBI has been waiting for Gibbs to mess up to arrest him. They hated that Gibbs sometimes colored outside of the lines and so they ordered Parker to arrest him.

But Parker later chose not to. Parker refuses to arrest Gibbs because he was going to deny Gibbs stole his car to drive off with the suspect and so that cost him job but he spoke with Fornell and he's willing to believe his old co-worker that Gibbs is one of the good guys. And so he let Gibbs go.

The FBI doesn't have an obstruction case without Parker's complaint and so Gibbs went fishing to celebrate.

McGee later flew back but he did it alone because Gibbs chose to stay in Alaska for a while. He said he felt peace there. A peace he hasn't felt since his family died.

Face the Strange

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Season Episode: 5

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Guest Stars: Freedom Bridgewater (Sergeant Joe), Dennice Cisneros (Disposal Technician a.k.a. Helen), Megan Gallagher (Under Secretary of the Navy Jennifer Leo), Jared Gertner (Roymand Beesbo), Rif Hutton (Marine General Phillip Braxton), Rob James (Guard), Eden Malyn (Lillian Beck), Aidan Merwarth (Uptown), Najee Muhammad (Street), Christian Valderrama (Clubby)
Production Code: 19005
Summary: The NCIS team investigates the death of a Navy commander whose body suddenly explodes before Jimmy can examine it.



Three juvenile delinquents were given a choice. Either they go to adult prison or they live outside for a week with a hard lesson in tough love. The three kids chose the great outdoors. However, their first night was interrupted when they ran into a man dying out in the woods. Petty Officer First Class James Bolton was dying of exhaustion and dehydration. He was still alive when the teens found him only he died before they could get help.

The body had shown evidence of trauma and the identification of the vic-

tim as being Navy personnel meant that NCIS was called in to investigate. The team went out to see the scene and they were joined by former FBI Special Agent Parker. Parker had been offered a job at NCIS. He turned it down because he said he wanted to take some time off and so he was just hanging around when Palmer came in with news about a "zombie".

Parker had never seen one of those before. He joined the team as they went to look at the body and it turns out the victim was called a zombie because that's what everyone thought he was when they first stumbled across him. Only he wasn't a member of the undead. He just didn't have enough energy to form the words "help" and so Parker had been disappointed but he was shaking it off when the case became interesting again.

The body exploded when he helped loaded it into the back of Palmer's car. The Medical Examiner's van was totaled. Nothing and no one else was hurt. Palmer called in Ducky for his assistance and Ducky helped him put together Bolton's body. Together they realized that the tragedy could have been much worse.

The explosion hadn't come from outside. It came from inside of Bolton's body. Bolton swallowed a bomb and the only reason he would have done that if it was he trying to smuggle a bomb

pass detection. Bolton had been a suicide bomber. He had been killed before he could detonate that bomb but it doesn't change the fact that he had been dangerous and that people he was working with can also be dangerous.

Bolton was military intelligence. He worked at SATCOM. It's the satellite networks that the military uses and the military as well as their weapons program would be lost without SATCOM. Parker was familiar with the network. He was also asked by a General to lead the joint task force run out of NCIS into any remaining suicide bombers.

Kasie also found out that Bolton was selling his services online as a hacker when he got a partner a couple months back. It was after he had had taken a partner that Bolton started to become political and so finding his partner was imperative. The team looked into anyone else that might have been in on the plot and connected to Bolton. They found out he visited a federal stenographer before he death. They spoke to the man and he had been gob smacked.

He had no knowledge of Bolton. Bolton pretended to be his cable guy to get into his house and the two talked over lemonade. The man claims not have revealed any important information. He was one of the few men and women who were allowed into high security federal buildings to take notes and the job is serious to him.

He couldn't even reveal to NCIS where he was going to be working soon. He told them that they needed a subpoena before he could release any information and so the team worked on one. In the meantime, Kasie made another breakthrough. She found out that Bolton was paying for his bomb making materials by rigging the lottery and that he's won the lottery four times. The latest time was an hour after his death.

A woman went in with the winning ticket. Her name is Lillian Beck and Kasie suspect she could be Bolton's mysterious partner because she was the one collecting the money. Kasie passed on the tip to Parker. She also told him that she was willing to work with him as long as he remembers that in the future she was going to need someone who shoots first and asks questions later when her life is on the line.

Kasie had heard about what Parker said earlier. Parker had been talking about when LaMere took her hostage and was almost killed by Gibbs. Parker thought they should have risked the hitman. Kasie therefore was telling Parker that her life was always going to be more important than any hitman. Parker understood Kasie's request. He agreed to prioritize her and they moved. Parker arrested Beck. He brought her in for questioning. She revealed she works for a lottery company that handles thirteen states' lotteries but that she couldn't keep winning herself. She and Bolton were convincing people to claim the lottery winnings for him. The stenographer had also lied to the team. He did know Bolton and he paid Bolton twenty grand to hire a girl he met at a bus stop. Her name is Helen.

Helen gave the guy her phone number. The guy lost the number and so he paid Bolton to find her. He only met Bolton because Bolton really did pretend to be the cable guy. Bolton's explosives turned out to be hidden inside of him during surgery. The people who hired him to contact Roy had used Bolton to trial run a bomb but he died before the bomb could go off and so they fixed the kinks and called in the stenographer.

They tricked Roy into thinking he needed to update his pacemaker. They then put the bomb inside of him and he was supposed to go after he taken notes for a star witness in a mob boss's case. The mob boss had already gotten rid of four other witnesses and the star witness was the last on the list.

Palmer and Ducky got the bomb out of the stenographer. The case against the mob boss went ahead and attempted murder was now added to the charges. And to top it all off, Roy ran into Helen at NCIS. She was in the military and she had been waiting for Roy to call and so it's a good thing they met.

Parker in the meantime considered the job offer to replace Gibbs and he's seriously considering it.

False Start

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Guest Stars: Joshua Brockington (Petty Officer 3rd Class Felix Cross), Randy J. Goodwin (Clark Anderson), Kelly Stables (Astrid Fellowes), Zeus Taylor (Petty Officer 3rd Class Kyle Seward), Julie Pearl (Cindy Anderson), Heather Olt (Groundskeeper)
Production Code: 19006
Summary: NCIS investigates the death of a beloved Navy commander who trained some of the top athletes in the country.



The body of Navy Admiral Henry Davis was found early morning. He was beloved admiral. He was also known for training some of the top athletes in the country and so his death had been shocking. Davis trained Navy athletes who compete in both military and world events. These athletes were double threats because they also had to maintain active duty while performing in events.

Davis was training one young man, but the kid barely out of high school had overslept and he thought his coach was

going to reprimand him for it only to find his coach dead. Davis was killed in his office. NCIS was called in to investigate and they searched the crime scene. They found out that Davis had a hidden compartment in his desk. The hidden compartment held a bag and inside there was a bag full of steroids.

The steroids were the performance enhancement kind. Davis was no longer an athlete himself and he only trains one person at a time. The team came to suspect he was acquiring drugs for Petty Officer Felix Cross. They asked Cross to come in and they also demanded that he pee in a cup.

The team also spoke with the parents of Davis's last athlete he worked and they had to do so because the last athlete died. He was in a car accident. The other guy was drinking and driving. Jamie died about a year ago and Davis was still in contact with the family. Davis even called them two days before he died. He was checking with them like he normally does and Jamie's father said he sounded distracted.

This aligns with what Cross told them. Cross said he saw Davis getting into a fight with another Petty Officer by the name of Kyle Seward and that he had never seen his coach lose his temper before then. The team looked into Seward. They found out that he was a wrestler who

put on a lot of muscle in a year. The team suspected he was either using steroids or selling it and so they had a sting.

Torres pretended to be a buyer. He got Seward to open up to him and it turns out Seward wasn't selling drugs. He was selling military athlete's old clothes. He apparently makes a lot of money from selling used items that belong to celebrities. Davis found out about it and he forced him to take down his seller's page or else he would be reported to his CO.

Seward did what Davis wanted. He also dealt with some nasty backlash from his customers. There was one particular person known as NavyFan92 who was really nasty and wanting the old business back up and running. But the team tracked her down. They found her at her secret lab. Her name is Dr. Astrid Fellows and she almost blew them all up because she thought McGee and new team lead Parker were secretly Chinese spies.

Fellows was arrested. She was brought in and she revealed that she was buying up athlete clothing because she wanted to get their DNA. Fellows wanted to create a test to determine gene manipulation and her idea could potentially mean millions. Its why she got upset when getting their DNA was now so much harder thanks to Davis. And luckily for her, she had an alibi for Davis's murder.

Fellows has footage of herself working in her lab at the time of death. She wasn't the killer and that put their case back at dead end. Which didn't help Cross. Cross confronted Seward because he suspected that he killed coach and was wrong and walking on edge. Torres tried to help but Cross didn't want to accept help just yet and so he and the others focused on the case. They were trying to figure out where to go from here when Kasie came in.

Kasie said that Fellows's research held the truth about who was doping and the truth the only person who was doping was the late Petty Officer Jamie Anderson. Anderson was dead. Only he still has two parents who would do anything to preserve his memory.

Anderson's father had been the one doping him. His son was a great athlete who held world records and his things were recently found by the maintenance crew. Davis collected the items. He found the steroids and he informed Anderson's father that he would have to come forward with what he found.

This would mean that Anderson would lose the two records in his name. His father couldn't let that happen and so he begged Davis not to come forward and he ultimately Davis when he refused. Anderson's father said his son's memory is the only thing he has left. He didn't want to lose it.

The father was arrested and the team adjusted to Parker being their new boss. Parker even came up with an idea to help Cross. They had Cross race against Torres and Torres was going to help him train from now on.

Docked

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Season Episode: 7

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Guest Stars: Margo Harshman (Delilah Fielding), Gilbert Glenn Brown (Carson Granger), Chris Agos (Noah Finch), Tom Yi (Harold), Ziah Colon (Pilar Rivera), Adam Hollick (Christopher Blaze), Patricia Richardson (Judy Price Fielding)
Production Code: 19007
Summary: NCIS investigates the death of a man on a cruise ship whose body is discovered in the ship's sauna by none other than McGee's mother-in-law, Judy.



A body was found on a cruise ship. The victim was Navy Commander Roger Burrows and his death was suspicious. He was found dead wearing a tux in the sauna. NCIS were called in to investigate when the ship docked in their backyard and the team were quick to notice signs of a fight. Burrows was also stabbed twice in the neck. There were signs of blood on the wall and it was clear someone tried to wipe it up.

Burrows was therefore killed. Someone incapacitated him and then threw him in the sauna. But that's not why this case interested McGee. This case interested him because the body was found by his mother-in-law and he hadn't known she was taking a cruise. She hid this from her daughter. McGee's wife. She later said that Delilah would have worried about her if she mentioned the cruise and that's why she was trying to hide it until this happened.

McGee spoke with his mother-in-law. Judy said she found the victim by coincidence and at first he believed her. He had no reason not to. McGee called his wife to mention her mother was involved with one of his cases and she asked him to keep an eye on her. He of course agreed. But Judy was lying to him. She claimed she didn't know the victim and she did. Burrows had stood out on the ship.

He was asking questions about security and he got people to talk to him by telling them he did security for the Navy. He failed to mention he was an active Commander or that he had just gotten off a ship. The team thought it was odd that a man who spent months on a ship would then take a cruise in his downtime, but it was clear from the onset that Burrows was up to something.

Burrows for one had surveillance in his room. He was recording something and Torres thought it was the other guests. He suspected that Burrows a Peeping Tom. They couldn't prove it one way or another because someone took out the SD card and so they had no idea what Burrows was recording. The only person who could possibly tell them was the person's whose fingerprints were found all over his room.

It turns out the fingerprints belonged to Judy. She lied about not knowing Burrows and was secretly sleeping with him. They met on the cruise. They hit it off right away and so she spent time in his room. Judy claims not to know anything else. She also didn't know who was trying to kill her and unfortunately that part was in fact true.

Someone bombed Judy's condo. Judy wasn't hurt or anything and she wasn't even mad about the condo. She said she needed a reason to redecorate. Judy had to be taken into protective custody. They had her stay at McGee's condo and he sent his twins to go stay with his sister. But Judy and Delilah's constant bickering had him going insane. Judy wasn't taking her situation seriously. She wanted to invite people over for book club and she ordered takeout. McGee was just feeling grateful for Parker showing up when there was an incident with the delivery guy. The delivery guy was in fact Judy's former fiancé and he borrowed the delivery's jacket and hat because he wanted to get close to Judy.

Harold was his name. Harold wanted Judy back and if he couldn't get her back then he wanted the bag back. The bag was a gift he bought for Judy. It was quite expensive and he wanted to sell it on eBay. Judy gave back the bag. She emptied it and found a letter for NCIS. It was written in Burrows's handwriting with words NCIS on it and inside of it there was a Joker's card. The team didn't know what it meant but they knew what it was connected to. Burrows had went on the ship because not that long ago his niece died under suspicious circumstances on the same cruise line and he was investigating it. His niece was Allison Howell. Howell worked on the ship and supposedly went overboard a month ago. And there wasn't an investigation.

There is never really an investigation when people or go overboard or simply go missing. There's about twenty people that disappear off of cruise ships every year and there's no investigation. But Howell's family wanted justice. They were suing and Burrows wanted to give them answers. He went on the cruise to just see if their security was lax. What he found instead was evidence of something worse. The Joker card had everyone suspecting the magician, but he was just selling drugs with Howell and he didn't kill her or Burrows. He has five hundred witnesses proving he didn't kill Burrows. The Joker card was clue. It was what was on the card that was clue. There was toxic waste found on the card and no one had any idea what it was doing on the cruise ship for seniors.

The toxic waste couldn't generally be found on a ship. Its more what companies would generate and couldn't dump and so someone was using the cruise ship to illegally dump toxic waste into the ocean. Only there was an issue. The CEO of the cruise line had pressured the Coast Guard into releasing the ship and so the team had three hours to solve the case but luckily they had Judy. Judy saw them watching security footage of cargo being loaded and she said that one of the barrels of ginger ale never made it on the ship. It was her favorite brand. She asked the ship if they sold it and they didn't because they said they didn't sell brand on the ship and so Judy's clue broke the case. The illegal toxic waste was being transported in fake ginger ale tanks.

They traced it back to a toxic waste company who spilled on the security officer of the ship. The security officer then turned on the captain and it was Captain Finch who killed both Howell as well as Burrows. The team were able to close their case. They also stopped the dumping of toxic waste.

Judy later got back together with her ex and they were going to Africa for a safari.

Peacekeeper

Season 19
Episode Number: 422
Season Episode: 8

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Guest Stars: Ginifer King (Lexi Davis), Grace Lynn Kung (Doris Edwards), Don Swayze (Peter Walker), Scott Mosenson (Harry Day), Patrick Y. Malone (Chuck Gorton), Rio Mangini (Ned), Chuck Filipov (Roy Smith), Anzu Lawson (Sonia Bell)
Production Code: 19008
Summary: NCIS investigates the case of a Navy reservist whose body is found in a beat-up car at the end of a gun range. Also, Kasie weighs the pros and cons of buying a gun.



A body was found at a shooting range. The victim was Navy Reservist Lt. Victor Bateson. Bateson's remains were found in one of the junk cars at the end of the range and he was shot multiple times. The team came to suspect that Bateson got drunk before wandering around. His remains smelled of liquor and it was theorized that he went into the backseat of the old beat up car to rest. He probably didn't wake in time to hear the gunshots and that's what killed him. Bateson was shot. But he wasn't killed at range.

Palmer looked at the body and he determined that Bateson was killed elsewhere. His body had just been dumped at the shooting range. The killer most likely dropped him off there so that hide the real bullet amongst the many and it was working. The only one to find the killing shot was by connecting each bullet to the guns on the range. And the one that's missing will be the murder weapon.

The team also looked into Bateson. He wasn't a regular at the range nor did he sign in that day or the night before and so the team didn't know why he went to the range. They just know he did. He went there and he died. The question now is why? Bateson didn't have much by the way of family but there was an ex-wife and nine times out of ten its usually the ex. The team went to the ex-wife's home. They ended up running into Kasie there. Kasie was a part of a group of women looking to buy a gun and she later admitted to Knight that she hasn't been the same since the assassin held her hostage. Kasie has been trying to get better. She was taking martial arts classes and now she was thinking of buying a gun.

The ex-wife hasn't been in much contact with Bateson before his death. She did know that he was working at an Expo Center and that he thought it was safer than his normal shifts at

the bar. At the Expo Center, Bateson has to deal with gun shows and pageants. It was better than dealing with out of control drunks that takes a swing at you and he got to help out friends. Bateson helped a young woman get a prime spot to sell her guns. She was great in that spot and unfortunately others were complaining about it. The expo was holding a gun show. Everyone had guns and so everyone had to be questioned. The team move through the group by first starting with the guy complaining. They then moved onto people who had to be escorted out of the venue.

The team tracked down the guy. They spoke to him and he said it was Bateson who got rough with him as he was being escorted out. He also revealed he saw Bateson making out with his girlfriend. It turns out the girlfriend works for Bateson's ex-wife. The team had even spoken to her earlier and she hadn't mentioned the relationship. Doris said she withheld the information because she hadn't wanted her boss to find out. If her boss learned Doris was sleeping with the woman's ex-husband, she might find herself out of a job. It would also ruin the friendship. Bateson, his ex-wife, and Doris were all friends. They all got along. Not even the ex having to pay Bateson alimony got in the way because Bateson was a good guy and he was working two jobs just to get off the alimony.

And him being in a relationship with Doris would mean he has another reason to end alimony. He might have been looking to marry again and so his ex-wife doesn't have a motive to kill him. She instead would have been thrilled to find out he was moving on. Neither the ex-wife nor the current girlfriend killed Bateson. The gun that killed him belonged to a classic weapon from the early 1900s. There was a guy selling weapons like that at the expo and so the team later asked him where he was the night Bateson was killed. He said he was selling his guns. He also said that it wasn't his guy that killed Bateson because the last gun he had liked that had been sold days before the murder. But the team couldn't just take this guy at his word.

They tracked down the man he sold the gun to. It was actually Bateson's other boss at the bar and unfortunately the bar owner was the killer. He noticed a missing three hundred dollars. He confronted Bateson and Bateson got mad. He got out of control. His boss was worried and so he pulls out his gun and accidentally fires. And funnily enough, the guy found the three hundred dollars a couple of days after the murder.

He had misplaced it and accused and then killed an innocent man.

Later, Kasie went to the shooting range with a friend and she was starting to enjoy herself.

Collective Memory

Season 19
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Season Episode: 9

Originally aired: Monday December 06, 2021
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Director: Leslie Libman
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Guest Stars: Holly Curran (Ruby Holdren), Andre Forrest (Petty Officer Dickerson), Andrea Forrest (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Scott Dickerson), Matthew Hancock (Geoffrey Sullivan), Stephanie Kramer (Sandra Holden), Danielle Larracuente (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Maria Gonzalez), Todd Waring (Albert James 'Jamie' Beck)
Production Code: 19009
Summary: When a hotshot financial advisor is found shot at a naval station, NCIS investigates the case by interviewing the victim's three-dimensional hologram of herself, which she created before her death.



The body of Sandra Holdren was found at the Naval Station in Norfolk. Holdren was a civilian. She was dead for an apparent gun wound to the head and so it was definitely murder. She was killed on Naval property. Thereby making her death a case for NCIS. But what they couldn't figure out was why she was there? Holdren is a hotshot financial advisor. She doesn't have a loved one in the Navy and that same station recently spotted someone spying on a children's soccer game nearby. They just didn't know why Hol-

dren was involved with that if it was her. They also didn't know who would want her dead enough to use a silencer on her and the silencer was indicating some premeditation in the murder. And so the team visited her home to talk with the people who supposedly knew her best.

They spoke with her butler. But the man she loved as family said they could speak to Holdren directly. Holdren had created an interactive hologram of herself with her memories and her personality. If they wanted to know who killed her, they had to ask her hologram. The hologram looks just like her. It moves like her too. It was a bit trippy. Holdren created because she wanted to leave something behind for her daughter and grandson if anything ever happened to her. The autopsy revealed she was dying. She therefore created the hologram knowing it would be needed. She just didn't know how soon. The team questioned the hologram. They got her to reveal she was sent a threatening letter and she refused to say what the letter was about.

The letter also didn't reveal what it was about. Someone simply wrote "you'll pay for what you did". The team asked her co-workers and got nowhere. They then turned to Holdren's daughter Ruby. Ruby hasn't spoken to her mother in years. She hated her mom. She wasn't even sad

about her death and so she happily told them what her mother did. Her mother was the female Bernie Madoff. She stole millions from her clients. She was tried and her amazing lawyer got her off without any jail time and that left behind a lot of angry people. Knight and Torres went back to the hologram. They asked Holdren about the embezzlement. She admitted that she was so sorry about what she did and that it was the biggest regret of her life because it cost her Ben.

Holdren said she blames herself for Ben killing himself. Ben was her late son who drove off a bridge in a car accident that only involved him and he left behind a son. A son that was given to his sister. Ruby raises her nephew as if he was her own child and the hologram was so proud of her for doing so. Holdren also swore she turned around her life. The team spoke with her lawyer and she made restitution. She paid back everyone she ever stole from. Holdren truly did regret what she did. She changed around her life and she wanted her family back. The lawyer said that her victims had no reason to be angry with her and that the only person he was concerned about was her butler. Geoffrey had gotten angry after he found out he was being left out of the will.

Pledge of Allegiance

Season 19
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Season Episode: 10

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Guest Stars: Amanda Schull (Kay Barlow), Denise Crosby (Secretary of the Navy Hattie Taylor), Tarek Bishara (Afghan Ambassador Tariq Dotani), Kenajuan Bentley (Captain Oliver Royce), Lisandra Tena (M. Santiago), Shawn Patrick Clifford (Mike), Artur Zai Benson (Navy Chief Warrant Officer Rafi Nazar), Rome Stephens (Afghan MP#1)
Production Code: 19010
Summary: NCIS is called in when Navy Chief Warrant Officer Rafi Nazar is suspected of trying to sell stolen classified Navy software used to pilot combat drones.



The military police went looking for Navy Chief Warrant Officer Rafi Nazar. He was wanted for espionage and it seems he did a runner. He didn't tell anyone where he went. Not even his poor fiancé. Kay had no idea that her fiancé had stolen the master key to all American Naval drones and once told she refused to believe it. Kay said that Nazar is a good man. He would never betray his country. He also didn't act suspiciously before his disappearance. He went for a drive the night before and he was there that morning to

make Kay breakfast. The team was brought in on this manhunt. They used their resources to track down Nazar's last known movements and they went to the location to see if Nazar returned.

The team didn't find him. But they did find a body. The victim appeared to be shot by a 9mm and Nazar does have a weapon like that in his possession. He was a known gun user. They searched the home he shares with Kay and they found the weapon missing. The team therefore came to the conclusion that Nazar killed the victim. They just didn't know the victim's name or his connection to Nazar. It also didn't help Nazar's defense that he was missing. Innocent people don't run or hide. Nazar was originally Serbian. His family was known to be a part of the Serbian conflict that killed many and so he could be a plant.

Nazar could have come to the country with the sole intention of infiltrating the military. Or at least that was the team's working theory as they continued to look into him. Nazar met his fiancé nine months ago and so she hasn't even known him for long. She said they got engaged so quickly because when you know you know. Only that rush into things could explain why Kay never suspected anything was wrong and so the team asked people who should know Nazar better than anyone. They asked the men and women that he worked with.

None suspected that Nazar would turn traitor. There was this one guy who suspected Nazar wasn't what he seemed but it was clear that guy was just a racist and he doesn't trust anyone with the ability to speak "foreign". His words. The military police also ran a forensic analysis and they determined that the hack to get the master key had come from Nazar's computer. Nazar later contacted his fiancé. He told her that he was innocent and he asked to meet up. The team was wire-tapping her phone. They heard the conversation and confronted her.

They told her that Nazar couldn't be trusted. They also mentioned that packing their passports wasn't going to help either of them get out of the country and so Kay listened. She agreed to help them. She went to the designated spot to meet Nazar and, before he could get close, she yelled at him to run because it was a trap. Nazar then ran off. The team chased him and lost somewhere down an alley. They went looking for him. They couldn't find him. They later learned that he sought asylum at the Afghanistan embassy and that chatter on the dark web says the master key was just sold for free.

Everyone assumed that Nazar sold the master key for a cause. Not for the money. They couldn't touch him at the embassy and so they threatened him instead. They told him that either he gives himself up or his fiancé was going to be charged as an accessory to his crimes. Nazar apparently really does love Kay. He gave himself up and he was saying goodbye to her when he was shot. Someone shot him from a car before driving away. Nazar was being rushed to the hospital when the EMT confirmed that he'll make it and so Parker asked that they be taken to NCIS instead.

Parker claimed that they have a doctor on staff. He failed to mention the doctor was in fact a coroner and so Nazar was taken to NCIS headquarters. He was interrogated. He was questioned for everything and that's when it came out. Nazar wasn't a traitor. Kay was. She used his face and access card to get the information for the master key. She wasn't innocent. She'd been playing Nazar the whole time and she had almost killed him too. The Navy was able to deactivate the master key and so now it was of no use. She and the domestic terrorists couldn't plant a jihad on American soil.

She and her coconspirators were all going down. Not that it will help Nazar much. He still gets looks in spite of his name being cleared and the nightmare will never truly be over for him.

Later, McGee and Palmer were informed that the money in their accounts came from Gibbs. He donated to their kids' college funds. It was a college fund that he first began for his daughter Kelly and he kept adding money to it even after she died. And so since then, Gibbs has been helping agents with their own kids' college funds.

All Hands

Season 19
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Season Episode: 11

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Guest Stars: Grant Harvey (Ian Maddox), AJ Meijer (Dutch Naga), Monnae Michael (Navy Commander Leandra Womack), Jesse Posey (Navy Lieutenant Emmanuel Vela), Tre Hall (Carl Hammond), Justin Huen (Security Guard Lenny), Stephen Friedrich (Sid), Tess Aubert (Piper), Elizabeth Liang (NCIS REACT Agent Jones)
Production Code: 19011
Summary: After a civilian research vessel in the North Atlantic picks up a small boat of wounded Navy officers, NCIS arrives on the ship and is forced to hide after discovering terrorists on board.



Director Vance received a rare call from his bosses. It was about a distress call received from a civilian vessel and that was carrying environmental research scientists. The vessel was boarded by a black ops team that asked them to contact the Navy. The Navy needed to be contacted because a member of this team was killed and the death needed to be investigated. However, NCIS wasn't told what the operation entailed. They didn't even know why the black ops team was in that area and Vance suspected that his immediate boss

wasn't even in the loop. He would have liked more information but he was willing to work with what he got and he still gave it to Parker's team to investigate.

Parker does amazing work with his team. He wasn't quite ready to call them his team because he still thought of them as Gibbs's team and so he was working on that while he works on this case. McGee stayed back to discuss the case with their tech department. The techies were called Tech Trolls by everyone. They were brilliant. They just also happened to be very smug and dismissive and no one really likes them. No one other than McGee. McGee used to get along great with these guys and so he was surprised when they treated him like crap when he went go talk to him. He didn't know what he did wrong.

McGee was still figuring this out as the rest of his team went to the ship. They went to the ship looking to investigate the dead body and instead they walked into an ambush. The black ops team had taken everyone onboard hostage. They also wanted to do the same to NCIS as well and the team didn't know why. None of them knew why. They didn't have grievances with the men shooting at them and their means of an escape went up in smoke when their helicopter pilots

were shot. One pilot survived. The other did not. They also ran out of bullets pretty quickly. The agents ran off with their injured pilot and they tried to formulate a plan.

Back at headquarters, McGee was with Vance when they again got a call from the bosses. The woman in charge said that there wasn't a secret mission in the area and that the person who called it in didn't exist. It was a false flag operation. There were people pretending to be Navy. McGee and Vance's concern was naturally for the team and Palmer. They wanted them rescued. The team meanwhile was doing the best they could and they came across members of the crew. Some of the crew that survived the taking of the ship had called them terrorists. They overheard them saying how they wanted a high value target on the ship.

It also became clear after the terrorist managed to grab Torres and Knight that they wanted off the ship. They got whatever they came for and they needed the keys to the helicopter to get off the ship. Torres and Knight were tortured. They couldn't get any other information and so Parker saw them like that. He was using the air vents to get around. He was able to talk to his agents. He found out what the terrorists wanted and put a plan in action. He let them find the keys to the helicopter. He then waited until they while they gathered people and he hid in the helicopter. When that helicopter took off with the terrorists, Parker had been with them.

The terrorists took the cell phone jammer with them. The rest of the team was able to call for help and they freed the remaining members of the ship's crew. Once the two sides were talking to each other with both headquarters and the ship now free to discuss the terrorists — they were able to identify the three terrorists that tried to kill everyone. They were former members of a private military contractor. They were fired after being caught stealing. They now steal for profit and it seems they were always after the helicopter. Not anything onboard. The military grade helicopter was expensive. And anyone could be in the market for it.

Parker helped them find the terrorists by playing the theme song to the original *Star Trek* on the International distress line. His team eventually figured out it was him because they knew he was a huge fan of the original series and they tracked where the signal was coming from to arrest all of the terrorists. But Vance told Parker he shouldn't be taking such risks and Parker's response was that he would have done anything to get his team off that ship. And while it may have taken a while, Parker was finally thinking of them as his team.

Fight or Flight

Season 19
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Season Episode: 12

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Guest Stars: Zane Holtz (NCIS Special Agent Dale Sawyer), Alex Sparrow (Maxim Dovhal), Matt Angel (Peter Samkharadze), Montae Russell (Marine Lt. General Joseph Clark), Marcus Ray (Bouncer), Sarah Chaney (DIA Agent Collins), Natasha Blasick (Elena Dovhal)
Production Code: 19012
Summary: When the body of a Navy lieutenant is discovered missing an eye, the NCIS investigation leads to the world of cage fighting.



Lt Junior Grade Kane Lantz was found at a waste management site. Some sanitation workers were dropping off their load when a body turned out to be hidden in there and it shocked the hell out of them. But Lantz's body was at least. Not many garbage dumped bodies usually are and Parker and his team were alerted to the case. They went there to investigate. Torres took longer than everyone else to travel to the site because he had a late night and he needed a coffee break. The others were commentating on it when

some DIA Special Agents arrived. They took over the case and NCIS found themselves forced off the case.

Or that's what happened at first. DIA wanted the whole case because Lantz works in Naval Intelligence by locating problems in their security and correcting it. But Lantz tripped up by bringing a classified laptop home with him. The laptop is currently missing. DIA believed it could have been taken by someone using his eye to unlock the laptop and so Parker managed to get them the murderer. He and his team wouldn't investigate where the laptop went. They would just look for the murderer and if they happen to find the laptop then they can take the win. And so they got the team got to keep their case.

It wasn't long before they found something fishy in Lantz's bank statements. Lantz was taking out more money than he was putting it and it was all because of Alex Russo. Russo was Lantz's foster brother when they were kids. Lantz's parents died when he was seven. He was bounced around several foster homes before aging out and by then he was going to college on a ROTC scholarship. Lantz had a rough as a kid. Its why he stayed close to his brother and its why he constantly tried to bail him out of trouble. He kept giving him money. He never said no. Russo began feeling guilty and he got a loan for someone else.

Russo naturally defaulted on the loan because he was a trouble with a capital "t". Some guys with an Eastern European accent then demanded that he get his brother's laptop or they were going to kill him. Russo agreed to it. He got them the laptop. His brother found out about it and, rather than report Russo, he tried to fix it. He tried to get the laptop back. Lantz appeared to be tortured. His eyeball was still missing and that could be because his laptop needed his eye to unlock and so the team went looking for their killer. Kasie was able to trace some untreated feathers found on the victim to a warehouse.

The warehouse was checked out. It was out of the way. It also had a cage inside that looks like it was being used for an underground fight club and so Lantz might not have been tortured. He could have just been hurt by taking part in one of the fights. But the DNA found all over the victim came back didn't have a match with anyone in the system. Kasie had to use the touch DNA to create what the suspect possibly looked like and they had Russo confirmed it with the man that threatened him for the laptop. Knight was later able to use the photo of what he could look like to find a man in his car and he was identified as Maxim Dhoval.

The name was fake. Only the team was still able to trace him. They arrested him at his work and he told them to make it look good because he couldn't afford for it to get out that he willing talking to cops. After his arrest, Maxim confessed that he and his wife heard about a great opportunity to come to America without going through the whole process. They took the offer. They made it to the United States and then they were forcibly separated. Maxim was made to fight in the ring. He was also told if he refuses that they would kill his wife. This illegal fight club was in fact a front for human trafficking.

Maxim said that Lantz was told that he could get back his laptop if he fought for it. Maxim was told to kill him in the ring and that's what happened. The bad guys never planned on letting Lantz go. They needed his eye to access his laptop. So, they planned on killing him the whole time. Maxim didn't care about what happened to him. He just wants them to find and rescue his wife. Maxim gave them information on the fight club. The team then used that to arrange for Torres and Special Agent Sawyer to fight. They wanted them to fight each other. They instead got Torres paired up with some rando. And the rando was a beast in the ring.

He almost killed Torres. Torres has been off this whole time. Its like he checked out and everybody has noticed it. Torres even said to McGee that it doesn't matter if he dies in the ring. There was no one left to care. McGee said he cares and later Torres was able to defeat his opponent. After he did so, they were able to bring down the big boss of the human trafficking and they reunited Maxim with his wife. He doesn't have to worry about any jail sentence. He was clearly coerced and the team was able to prove it.

They recovered the laptop. It wasn't used to get to spy on Americans and later Palmer talked to Torres. He got to heart of why Torres has been acting out. Torres was feeling abandoned. His love interest left. His father left. He felt like he had no one and Palmer was there to remind him that he still has the team.

The Helpers

Season 19
Episode Number: 427
Season Episode: 13

Originally aired: Monday February 28, 2022
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Director: Diana Valentine
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Guest Stars: Elle Graper (Victoria Palmer), Patrick Bristow (Channing Elroy), Benita Krista Nall (Amanda Wright), Eugene Prokofiev (Dennis Newton), Michelle Pierce (Breena Palmer), Meredith Eaton (Carol Wilson), Davee Youngblood (Unknown Man), Jack Jaco Pitchon (Dr. Yuri Pastov), Kristin Witt (Soccer Mom)
Production Code: 19013
Summary: Investigating the death of an intruder at Quantico, Jimmy and Kasie are exposed to a deadly bio-toxin. The NCIS team calls on Doctor Carol Wilson for help as they race to find the antidote. Torres tries to distract Jimmy's daughter, who came to spend the day with her dad.



The episode begins with a dead soldier involved in a car accident. Former Army Phillip Hanch was wearing his gear and he was in fact near the Quantico compound when he came out of nowhere and got hit by a car. Everything else got smooshed as well. Hanch's cell phone was crushed. The only thing that survived the car accident was his flask and everyone prayed that he had one last sip before being flattened. But it is curious why he was at the compound. Hanch is no longer serving since he was honorably

discharged back in 2014 and he hasn't held down a real job since. He's been investing in cryptocurrency. It's been going so bad that he was over fifty thousand dollars in credit card debt and he was living in reduced means.

Hanch's only family was his ex-wife. She left after she lost him to conspiracy theories and that's why he got kicked out of the army. There was therefore no reason why he should have been wearing the gear much less be near Quantico. Palmer's autopsy was also short because it was clear the cause of death was the military truck that ran him over, but Palmer still wanted to test the flask to see what was Hanch carrying and so he brought it to Kasie. They were testing it when the call came in to not open the flask. It was a little too late because they had already done so. They also became trapped when the building went into protective mode.

The liquid in the flask wasn't alcohol. It was a biotoxin. Once the system detected it was in the building it locked down everything and it became a problem for everyone. Palmer's daughter had come to work with him. She was suspended from school for fighting and so she was hanging

around at the office when Kasie's lab sealed itself off. Victoria who is not so little anymore had asked if everything was okay. They told her it was. They said that her father was in lockdown, but that she could still see him and she could. She had to see him through a glass door, but it worked and the preteen was calmed down.

It also helped that she got to talk to the doctor they brought in for his occasion. Dr. Carol Wilson was legendary in biotoxins and she told Victoria that there was nothing to worry about, but she was lying and she later told the rest of the team as much. She told them that time was critical. She tried to get into contact with an expert at the CDC and she couldn't reach him and so they video-called the CDC. They spoke with a guy there who was more worried about protecting his paycheck than reporting the fact that their researcher in bioweapons has gone missing. It turns out the toxins that were used were created in Russia. And their doctor had created a cure for it because it was feared it would be in a domestic terrorist attack.

But no one knew about Hanch. Hanch joined a collective online that was being run by a guy who called himself the Raven and he concocted a plan to cause a "revolution". There was no telling if he was American or not yet this man convinced Americans to turn on their own country and so this Raven was dangerous. The team went looking for him. They couldn't find Dr. Pastov because they suspected he had been kidnapped. The only way to find the cure was to find the Raven and so they looked. They investigated his online profile. His movements. They found people that were dumb enough to listen to the guy and it turns out no one knew it was a terrorist attack. They all thought they were dumping laxatives into government personnel's water supply.

Or at least that's what one guy thought. Its why he helped. That and the fact that he was getting paid in cryptocurrency to help the Raven. The dummy even left plans to what he thought was a prank to be found and so that's how the team learned that the Raven was planning a series of attacks. They split up. They all went to separate locations with the military adding as back up and they were later able to free Pastov. Pastov was asked for the antidote to the bioweapon. He created one. It got brought to Palmer and Kasie and the two were saved from dying. But it had been a close call for them.

Both Palmer and Kasie almost died. Kasie was considering a change of job earlier and so Palmer thought she would be leaving after this however she decided to stay on. She signed her new contract for the next five years. And so the only thing that took away from the occasion was the sad truth that she didn't capture the Raven.

They caught everyone but the Raven and so he's free to do this again.

First Steps

Season 19
Episode Number: 428
Season Episode: 14

Originally aired: Monday March 07, 2022
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Guest Stars: Naomi Grace (Kayla Vance), Antonio Jaramillo (Pedro Rodriguez), Jason Kravits (Doctor Gordon Roth), Galadriel Stineman (Resident Sierra Krueger), Jamie Harris (Smitty Hastings), Noshir Dalal (Doctor Tom Masuda), Ronald Auguste (Isaac), Joe Corzo (Henchman #1), Nita Mistry (Doctor Angela Novak)
Production Code: 19014
Summary: As NCIS investigates the cause of death of a reservist Navy Seal surgeon, they're forced to bring Vance's daughter, Kayla, who recently trained with NCIS, to help with a highly dangerous mission.



The episode begins with NCIS Director Vance, who has a daughter. Her name is Kayla. She just finished training and she was joining NCIS as a Special Agent. But the first year on the job is boring. The new probies tend to get assigned cases and that especially went for Kayla with her father in charge. He wanted her to be safe. He didn't want her to handle the big cases and so Vance nominated Torres to be her handler. He basically wanted Torres to babysit his daughter. It was up to Torres to make sure Kayla didn't get hurt.

It was also her job to ensure that she learns on the job. And so that's why their first case was a simple case of a heart attack.

The team was assigned to Dr. Tom Masuda's death. He was a military doctor who seemingly suffered from a heart attack during surgery and he had been the surgeon. The patient he was working on had thankfully survived. But Masuda did not. The other doctors and nurses had tried to revive him to no avail. He died. His death was handed over to NCIS and Vance personally assigned the case to Parker's team because he thought it was clean cut. It wasn't. The heart attack might have been a murder and so Kayla's first case wasn't boring. It was a murder investigation. The team learned that Masuda seemed to have been poisoned.

Masuda's body was taken for autopsy. While the team waited for the results of that, they continued working on the case and recreated Masuda's final hours. It turns out Masuda was a popular guy. he got along with everyone and they all seemed to like him. But someone did leave a threatening message on his cell phone. The message was linked back to Smitty Hastings. He was a loan shark and he later revealed that he loaned Masuda money because Masuda was

obsessed with betting. As in he had a serious problem. Hastings who also went by the nickname of barracuda hadn't killed Masuda.

Hastings wanted his money back. He wouldn't have killed Masuda as long as he thought there was hope. He also had an alibi. He was British and he had just flown in from England because he had to leave the country for a funeral. Hastings, therefore, wasn't their killer, but he did reveal that Masuda was dating someone and that she became a stalker more or less after Masuda tried to end things with her. Right after Hastings gave them this tip, Kayla tried to tell him to be on guard. It was silly and she was a newbie who wasn't used to working with underworld types. Her father later chastised her for it as well as punished her for leaving the car after she was told not to. He told her she put her team at risk.

Vance also took her away from active duty. He assigned her to the lab to work with Kasie. As she was there, Kayla found what killed Masuda. Masuda was killed by a patch that injected poison into his skin and it had to have happened at least two hours before he was killed. This meant it happened during surgery. The team checked everyone who was in that OR and they identified Masuda's ex-girlfriend. She's Resident Sierra Krueger. She talked to the team about her and Masuda. She hadn't wanted the breakup. She thought she could convince him to come around and that never happened. She instead hid the fact they were dating because she didn't want her coworkers to know she slept with her boss.

It was the only reason she withheld it from NCIS when they first questioned her. Krueger also said that she didn't kill Masuda and that if anyone should be a suspect it should be the patient. The patient was acting shifty. He demanded that the surgery happens on a Monday. Krueger tried to get a psych eval and Masuda overruled her. The resident also mentioned that the doctor speaks privately with the patient right before surgery. Meaning that the patient could have planted the poison on the doctor right before surgery. The team went to the hospital to speak with this patient and they were too late to speak with the patient because he had been killed.

The team spotted the man leaving his room. They chased after him and unfortunately the bad guy grabbed Kayla. He took her hostage. He got away with her and the Director wasn't happy. He wanted his daughter back safely. He wanted her captor identified at least. The team checked the ID that Kayla grabbed and toss before she was kidnapped. Their facial recognition identified the man that took Kayla to be Pedro Rodriguez. He was a member of a Colombian cartel. The leader of this cartel was in an American prison and his crew was trying to break him out. It's why they signed him up for a fake surgery. They blackmailed the guy in charge at the hospital with threats of telling the world about his cocaine addiction.

Only Masuda wasn't going to sign off on the bogus surgery. He was getting in the way and that's why he was killed. But now that they knew the truth, the team canceled the surgery. Rodriguez found out about the cancellation. He also figured out who Kayla was because he found her ID badge and put two and two together and so he called Vance. He threatened to kill Kayla if Vance didn't agree to a prisoner swap. Vance knew the American government would never agree to that. He instead went through the motions of pretending he was going to agree to the swap but really he was tracking Rodriguez.

The team later found Kayla. They were able to kill Rodriguez and arrest most of his men. Kayla showed tremendous courage under pressure. She was also able to talk down a guy using just her voice and so Knight said that she should consider hostage negotiation in the future.

And Vance was going to be glad to get his daughter back that he stopped caring how dangerous her job is.

Thick as Thieves

Season 19

Episode Number: 429

Season Episode: 15

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Guest Stars: Kevin Chapman (Billy Doyle), Jose Pablo Cantillo (DEA Agent Mark Sisco), Trisha LaFache (Lola), Ashley Platz (Kat Hanna), Deb Hiett (Navy Chief Laura Ramirez), Ansel Carpenter (Young Billy), Harrison Leahy (Young Alden Parker), Rueben Grundy (Philadelphia P.D. Detective Dubrow), Tony Becker (Policeman), Braxton Hale (Colin), Jeff Pride (Car Owner), Val Garrahan (Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Danna Calley)

Production Code: 19015
Summary: Parker's delinquent past resurfaces when NCIS is called to Philadelphia to investigate the death of a Navy petty officer.



Parker has a past. He was in juvie as a kid. He got into a lot of trouble with his best friend and their favorite thing to do was to steal car parts from an auto repair shop. They stole from that guy three times in one month. Its how they got caught. Its how they got sent to juvie.

But Parker changed his ways after he got sent there. He went on a different path to his friend and that should have ended the friendship, but it didn't. Parker stayed friends with Billy all these years. He was now an NCIS Agent. He leads his

own investigative team and he's since moved away from the old neighborhood. Parker was doing everything right when he offered to help out the short-staffed Philadelphia department. And it led back to his old friend Billy Doyle.

There was a murder in Philly. Petty Officer Third Class Danna Cally had been killed after tussling with someone and an icebox was found nearby with animal organs found inside. The icebox was weird. It was one of two things that stood out at the crime scene. The other one was the fact they found a broken watch and it couldn't have been Cally because she was found stealing wearing hers. The team came to believe the broken watch belonged to the murder. They all thought that Cally was in the park that late at night buying drugs and so they questioned her former boss. It turns out Cally wasn't into drugs.

She was into possums. She had a real love of them and she would go watch them in their natural habitat. Like at that specific park. Possums were meat eaters. Hence the icebox. Possums were also nocturnal and so Cally was in the park at night filming them when she was

killed. Her camera was missing from the crime scene, but the team checked and all footage was automatically backed up to the cloud. There was footage of Cally accidentally filming someone beat up Sean Doyle, Billy's nephew. She tried to intervene. She got killed for it. Her footage on the other hand had at least told them that Sean was also a victim. And not a perpetrator.

When they got DNA from that watch, they all thought that Sean was the killer. Parker even went to his old friend Billy who had turned his life around after a few bad ones and Billy said he hadn't seen his nephew in a week. Not since he found Sean going through his cash box. He had blown up at the kid and Sean went sulking off to somewhere else. But the video of Cally's death had showed Sean was in trouble. Parker told his friend and so Billy came to the crime scene when he heard that a young man's body had been found. Billy wanted to know if it was his nephew. Parker confirmed that it was. And that's when he heard it.

Parker heard Billy said that he was going to deal with the person that killed his nephew. The agent knew what his old friend meant and he tried to warn him off this path. He said no good will come from revenge. He also said this was his job. It was Parker's job to find both Cally and Sean's murderer. He didn't need Billy poking his nose into a federal case. Billy ignored him. He later tried to bribe Palmer for any details he had on the murder and Palmer called Parker. Parker has always dreaded this day. A day that might force him to arrest his oldest friend. Billy didn't go straight after juvie. He got into serious trouble. He went to serious jail.

Back then, the two men had enacted a "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy. Its why Parker has never arrested him before and so Parker gave him one last warning before he had to arrest him again. Parker returned to the case. He found out that Sean was communicating with someone over his pager and that it was all in code. The person on the other end hadn't known Sean was dead because they sent him a message. It was to meet. Parker and McGee showed up and they ended up hitting a fleeing man with a car just so they could stop him long enough to question him. It turns out the guy was a DEA Agent. His name is Mark Sisqó.

The DEA guy said that Sean was his informant. They flipped him six months ago. He was since bringing them information on a dangerous woman by the name of Kat Hanna. She was believed to have been behind a recent bank heist and so everyone wanted to arrest her. Sean was helping them with that when he was killed. The team didn't know where Hanna was. Parker went to Billy and he asked him for his help. He got Billy to give him Hanna's location. They later arrested her for murder. They even searched her home and they found the murder weapon along with key evidence from the bank heist.

Which would have been great if Hanna hadn't said she was being framed. Hanna had an alibi for the murders. She was committing another heist and she could prove it. Someone was trying to frame her for the murders. Kasie thought she figured out who it was. She later told Parker that the murder weapon was used in another crime eighteen years ago and Hanna would have been too young back then. The police at the time also had a suspect for that crime. It was Billy. The team came to believe that Billy had killed his own nephew and that he tried to frame for someone else for it. And so they went looking for him.

They couldn't find him. Parker realized where Billy went. He went to the same church they used to go and hide in when they were younger. Parker went in thinking he was going to arrest Billy, but he ended up finding Billy about to kill the real killer. The killer was Colin. A young man who worked for Billy and who knew where Billy kept his guns. The guy borrowed one after he realized Sean stole from him. Sean found the baseball card that was from the bank heist. He realized that Colin was behind it and he tried to blackmail his way into the crew and he got shot for it. In present time, Billy wanted to kill Colin.

But Parker stopped him. Parker pretended like he would have gone along with it and Billy said he couldn't do that to him and so he handed over Colin without a fuss. And Parker didn't arrest his friend.

Knight had needed to go to a wedding and her date pulled out at the last minute, but she ended up going with Palmer and they had fun.

The Wake

Season 19
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Season Episode: 16

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Guest Stars: Mike Erwin (Sam Radner), Miki Ishikawa (Molly Stoll), Randall Batinkoff (Walt Freeman), Lauren Bowles (Nance Freeman), Del Zamora (Sergio Morales), J. Claude Deering (Curtis Hubley), Carlos Pratts (Isaac Morales), Maya Boudreau (Lola Morales), Tarina Pouncy (Capt. Anne Crenshaw)
Production Code: 19016
Summary: A gruesome mishap at a Navy petty officer's gender-reveal party leads NCIS to the case of a missing teacher that was popularized on a true crime podcast.



It rained a body in Norfolk county. There was a couple having a gender reveal party and they were all outside because they hired a skywriter to reveal their baby sex. But the pilot's air pump wasn't working. They didn't find out what they were having after spending all that money. They also had pieces of a dead body fall on them while outside.

The pieces weren't enough to perform an autopsy only it was enough to get a DNA match. It was a match for Emma Radner. Radner disappeared five months

ago and her husband is suspected to be involved. Radner was known for getting into fights with her husband. He liked a photo of an ex-girlfriend on Facebook and it set off a fight. Radner's husband went to Florida for the weekend.

The husband never called or texted his wife while he was away. By the time he came back, he noticed his wife wasn't home and he reported her missing. The cops looked. They couldn't track her cell phone. She didn't touch her credit cards or her car keys.

The police suspected the husband Paul. They carried out an investigation and they could never prove anything because they couldn't find the body. No body, no case. Not that it stopped a popular podcast from being made and in the podcast the guilty party as Sam. And so once the team was able to determine that the body pieces they found were Emma — they went looking for the husband.

Sam was a popular insurance salesman before this. He was even on tv. He was fired after the podcast came out. The team went to his home and they knocked, but no one answered and so then they went across the street. Radner's sister lived across the street.

The sister was out of town on vacation when Radner went missing. She still had a key to the house and so she gave it to Knight. Knight and Kasie had listened to the podcast. They had been sure that Sam was the killer. The body pieces only seemed to confirm it. Knight went to Sam's home and she found him with a gun. He was going to kill himself when Knight talked him out of it.

Knight was peacefully trying to talk him into coming in as the rest of the team continued the investigation. Kasie was able to determine that what fell out of the sky was vulture's secretions. Vultures empty their stomachs when they're scared. They did so because of the skywriter.

Vultures are also usually tagged and so the team was able to trace the creatures back to the body because Vultures also hunt close to home. They probably just started feeding on Radner thanks to the warm weather. She went missing in winter. The winter cold would have frozen the body and made it inedible.

But the team were able to get to the body. It was mostly intact. They brought it to Palmer to get an autopsy and they also looked at the scene where she was dumped. It was off an ATV trail. The same trail that Sam was known to prefer. The team suspected Sam killed his wife.

The evidence was pointing towards him doing. His wife was killed by a fall and where she was found wasn't where she was killed. She was most likely killed at home. Meanwhile back with Knight, Knight got to hear all the good things about the marriage. Like Radner making breakfast in bed for her husband in spite of the fact she hated to cook.

Sam did things for her as well. He did ballroom dancing to make her happy. He got her flowers all the time. Peonies! Those were her favorites and Radner would always take one to put it behind her ear. She loved wearing fresh peonies.

The last time that Sam gave her flowers was when he had them ordered while he was in Florida on that weekend she went missing. Sam soon ran out of things to mention about his wife. He moved to shoot himself and Knight was forced to knock the gun out of his hand. It was amazing that he survived with just a scratch on the head. Sam was taken to headquarters afterwards for an interrogation but he was later released when they determined he was innocent.

Sam didn't kill his wife. The podcasts were wrong. Sam's wife was still alive while he was in Florida and evidence on her body proves it. But what no one saw coming was that Radner had an overly friendly relationship with family friend Walt Freeman. Freeman's wife Nance didn't like that and so she confronted Radner. She demanded that the relationship even though there was none. And Nance later claimed she killed her accidentally.

The part that wasn't accidental was when she hid the body on Sam's favorite trail. Or when she participated in the podcast to blame Sam for his wife's murder. Nance and her lawyer were going to have a hard time walking all those things back.

Starting Over (1)

Season 19
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Season Episode: 17

Originally aired: Monday March 28, 2022
Writer: Margaret Rose Lester, Scott Williams
Director: Michael Zinberg
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Guest Stars: Vanessa Lachey (NCIS Special Agent Jane Tennant), Jack McGee (Richard 'Rick' Jordan), Novi Brown (Olive Miller), Brandon Black (Martin Polk), Tess Aubert (Piper), Joi Liaye (Nina Miller), Jason Rogel (Leo), David Bianchi (Kyle Jennings), Laura San Giacomo (Dr. Grace Confalone), Joe Spano (Tobias TC Fornell), Oscar Gary (Ret. Lt. Commander Thomas Miller), Taylor Bracken (PO3 Sally Jordan)
Production Code: 19017
Summary: NCIS investigates the apparent suicide of a retired Navy officer who was in Palmer and Knight's grief group. Torres gets a call from Tennant to come to Hawaii when she gets a lead on a witness from a case they worked on together.



An electrician was making a commercial when a body dropped behind him. The body was identified as Retired Navy Commander Thomas Miller and it was believed at first that he killed himself by jumping off the top of his building. Miller was known to be depressed. He was actually in Palmer and Knight's grief counseling group. They recognized him when they got called to the scene.

They told the others that Miller has been struggling with losing a friend's death. The friend had died in combat overseas. Miller never got over of it and the group sessions were his last chance at getting better. But Miller's had some contusions on his face that didn't seem to come from the fall. Palmer thought it could be something more and so the team investigated Miller's death.

They looked into Miller. Miller's retired after his last flying mission that ended in his friend's death and he seemed to have turned a corner in his grief counseling sessions. He was even talking to a grief sponsor. Which was someone to hold his hand as well as hold him accountable.

His grief sponsor was Former FBI Special Agent Fornell. Fornell actually called Miller on the day of his death. He called him about five times and so he was asked to come in. Fornell said that Miller had turned a corner in his sessions. He seemed to come to terms with the young Petty Officer that died under his command.

Petty Officer Sally Jordan was the youngest member of his team. She was also a friend. Her death had pushed him to retire and it unraveled her father Richard Jordan. Jordan never

forgave Miller for his daughter's death. He kept hounding him. Miller eventually had to take out a restraining order against him.

The order expired last week. Since then, Jordan has been reaching out. The team went to Jordan's home and they questioned him. It turns out that Jordan wanted Miller's help. Jordan had been contacted by his daughter's old phone. It was a message claiming that they had her, they wanted fifty grand to release her and so Jordan thought right away it was a scam.

Jordan kept being harassed by these scammers. He contacted Miller to tell him about it and Miller might have done something to correct the program. This coupled with the missing person's report seemed suspicious. There was a missing person's report for a Thomas P. Miller.

Their victim was a Thomas A. Miller. Parker thought it was like a Terminator situation. Someone is killing Miller in the hopes of getting the right Miller and so they went to this other's Miller's home to talk to his wife. They saw from the family photos that weren't two Millers. It was the same Miller. Miller was a bigamist with a second family. He even has a kid with the other wife.

This would certainly explain why Miller was keeping secrets from his known widow. He told Wife #1 that he was in counseling sessions with Dr. Grace when Grace said he wasn't and that he must have been elsewhere. It turns out he was with Wife #2. Miller never discussed his military life with Wife #2. His time with her was an escape from his normal time. The second wife was so in the dark that she freaked out when they told her that her husband was a bigamist. She threw a picture frame at Palmer's head. He got a nasty gash from it. Palmer had to sew it up and Palmer refused to press charges against Wife #2.

The second wife had no idea that her husband was cheating on her or that he had another wife. Technically, a legal wife because the second marriage didn't count. Miller cheated on his first wife and he and Wife #2 got pregnant really fast. Miller proposed when he found out about the pregnancy. He was technically with the second woman for about a year. No more than that. Miller led a double life and he kept a second cell phone to keep track of everything. They found the second cell phone hidden in his car. They also learned that there was an incident on his last day with Wife #2.

Miller freaked out when he was helping his wife into the car. He saw something that freaked him out and he just left her there. No kiss goodbye. He also ignored her many calls. The team looked into what happened. They found out that Jordan was following Miller. They brought in Jordan to question him and he said Miller never saw him. It was someone else who spooked Miller. Some guy driving a silver car. Like his brother-in-law. Miller was seen with his second family by his brother-in-law from his first marriage. The team checked the DNA on the murder weapon. The weapon used to bludgeoned Miller to death and it was connected to the brother-in-law.

Only it wasn't him. It was Wife #1. After the brother-in-law spotted Miller, he called his sister to tell her to talk to her husband. Olive Miller then contacted her husband. Miller came clean with her about his second family and he said he wanted to be with the new wife because he felt she set him free. He also mentioned they had a kid. Which set off Olive because she's been waiting years to have a family. Years for her husband to be whole again and he was throwing her over for a new woman.

The team arrested their kill and they took down the scammers while they were at it. Torres tracked down an old witness that went missing and, while he was in Hawaii, he reconnected with Tennant. They were old friends. They were transporting the witness together when they were targeted by some mysterious shooter who made them flip their car.

The episode concludes in the *NCIS: Hawai'i* episode S01E18 titled "T'N'T".

Last Dance

Season 19
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Season Episode: 18

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Guest Stars: Joseph Melendez (Reymundo Diaz), Mariela Garriga (Maria Diaz), Armando Acevedo (Rene Romero), Jarvis W. George (U.S. Deputy Marshal John Wright), Kate Boyer (U.S. Deputy Marshal Cindy Carter), Brennan Keel Cook (Travis Williams), Laura San Giacomo (Dr. Grace Confalone), Clark Moore (Virginia State Trooper Phil Collins), Chris Lamica (Seller), Sean Samuels (Buyer #1), Christopher Alvarenga (Buyer #2), George Paez (Pablo Silva)

Production Code: 19018
Summary: When an infamous arms dealer, Reymundo Diaz, is released from prison and bodies start piling up, Torres is forced to face the repercussions of his actions during an undercover operation he worked on years ago.



An infamous arms dealer was released back out on the streets. Something that didn't make sense. Reymundo Diaz was a dangerous man. He killed plenty of people during his first chance on the outside and granting him a second one seemed a mistake. In fact, it wasn't long after he was released that Diaz became the suspect in numerous homicides.

Those cases got assigned to NCIS because of the arms dealing that was involved when several men were killed and that's how Special Agent Torres learned

of Diaz. He hadn't known before that Diaz was back out on the street. He was unfortunately going about his day like any other and he had even attended the professional assessment he was ordered to do. And so therapy wasn't fun.

But then people started to die. There was a witness to the event and he came forward to identify Diaz as the killer. He said that Diaz killed his friends because he was looking for someone. Someone by the name of Carlos Salazar. Parker was trying to figure out who that was when Torres came forward and he admitted he was "Carlos".

Carlos was the persona he took while he was investigating Diaz in a joint military task force. He got into Diaz's inner circle by dating Diaz's cousin Maria and by convincing Maria to flip on Diaz. He was able to do that because he lied to Maria. He told her that he would join her in Witness Protection.

Maria never knew she was being played until she went into protective detail with no sign of the man she left everything for. Maria was never told that Torres was a federal agent. Neither she nor her family ever knew Carlos's real identity. But then somehow Diaz got released.

He apparently used most of his savings to buy his way out of a Mexican jail cell. He then gathered his men. They helped him sneak into Texas. He started looking for Carlos the moment he walked on American soil and he was killing everyone that got in the way or who wasn't needed. Eventually, he killed enough men to figure out that his old friend Carlos was a federal agent.

Diaz wanted Torres dead. He wanted everyone he considered a "rat" to be dead. Torres became concerned for Maria and so his team reached out to the US Marshalls. They helped Torres get to her apartment. Only she wasn't there. There was evidence of a struggle and blood found at the scene. Torres flipped out when he thought Maria had been taken or killed. He attacked the US Marshall escorting him because he thought the man had failed Maria, but Parker stepped in. He got Torres to calm down and Torres went back to his hotel room in the area. He was there when guess who comes knocking at his door?

Maria! She was covered in blood and was otherwise fine. Maria claims that she was at her apartment when one of Diaz's men attacked her and she was able to fight him off. She said the blood belonged to the man who tried to kill her. She also said she wasn't going back into WitSec. Maria had hated her time there and she didn't want to deal with the US Marshalls. She instead wanted to take her chances on the outside. She didn't want to hide anymore. Maria had been a successful artist before she went into protection and she had to give that all up. She had to change her name, move from everything and everyone she knew, and become a telemarketer.

Maria hated her new life. She didn't want to go back to it. She also blamed Torres for it. Torres was the one who lied to her and convinced her to turn on the cousin she had once been so close to. Maria didn't find out until she was put in WitSec what Carlos's real name was. She and Torres were still talking about that betrayal when Torres got a call from his team. They tracked down the man that attacked Maria. They went after him. They didn't find him and instead they found a dead US Marshall who appeared to be tortured before he was killed. Unfortunately for everyone, this was the same Marshall that knew where Maria and Torres were.

Torres got the warning for his team that Diaz knew his location. He got out his gun. He even gave Maria a gun and together they were able to take down Diaz and his backup. Diaz was now dead. The threat to their lives was over and so Maria couldn't wait to leave WitSec. She hated her persona. She was an artist. She wanted to back to making art and she wanted to see her mom. She hadn't seen her mother in six years. She dearly misses her.

And before Maria left town, Torres and her talked. He told her that if she ever needed anything that she could reach out to him and that he would be there for her. And surprisingly she believed him.

Torres had to go back to sessions with Dr. Grace and this time he was more cooperative. He admitted that he wanted to be sober. And how that's been a problem for him lately.

The Brat Pack

Season 19

Episode Number: 433

Season Episode: 19

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Guest Stars: Jason Antoon (Cyber Intelligence Specialist Ernie Malik), Daniel DiMaggio (Noah Patrick Henry Richter), Mary-Bonner Baker (Navy Chief Petty Officer Melissa Fields), Skyles Stone (Uncle Stan), Matthew Sato (Zack Taylor), Jennifer Rhodes (Claudia), Cay Ryan Murray (Teagan Fields), Betsy Baker (Ramona), Erin Pineda (Cynthia Moniz), Jeffrey Markle (Jerry), Brea Bee (Mrs. Richter), Isait De La Fuente (Navy Petty Officer First Class Lucas Moniz), Nick Cardiff (Jason Samuels)
Production Code: 19019
Summary: NCIS investigates a ring of clever teenage partygoers when a string of break-ins takes place at Marine Base Quantico. While working the case, Special Agent McGee forms a bond with one of the teens, Teagan Fields.



Someone broke into a serviceman's house. He and his wife were supposed to be out of town on vacation however a tropical storm put a stop to that and so they returned home unexpectedly early. They also noticed right away that a vase had been broken. They thought it was the neighbor's cat. They played with their inside surveillance cameras to see if it was the cat and that's when they realized that someone broke into their home. They also realized he was still there. They said that part out loud for the guy to hear them

and that's when he came running out of the closet. He fought with the naval man before he made his escape out the front door.

The couple called it in. This happened on the base. It was apparently a part of the long line of robberies and so Parker and his team caught this one. Everyone was heading out for the night when this came across their desks. They had to put a stop to their original plans just to work the case. They interviewed the serviceman and his wife. They heard about the string of robberies. They also used outside cameras to detect that whoever broke in had gone to an underage party in someone's basement. The perp's name is Noah. Noah was even still wearing the same clothes he committed the crime in.

Noah was the person breaking into servicemen's homes while they were away. He was doing so because he and his friends were scouting available homes for their parties. It's apparently

hard for kids on base. Noah hadn't wanted to reveal who was hacking the military base to get access to the homes, but his mother ratted him out and she admitted that Noah has a big crush on Teagan. Teagan was in their custody after the party and so they talked to her. Teagan has a mother serving overseas. She's bounced around from military base to military base. She was pretty jaded. She hated moving and she accused her mother of not loving her.

Teagan hadn't wanted to talk to NCIS. McGee had to get through to her using his experience as a military kid himself and so that's when Teagan admitted she was the one who hacked the military base. She found out who was going to be taking leave. She also used her hack to help her friends like Noah to unlock smart security systems at servicemen and women's homes. Teagan said she was the only one with the algorithm. She hadn't shared it with anyone else and that left questions because someone hacked the military base again while Teagan was in custody. After a hack, there was an explosion at the Naval Lieutenant's house.

Lt. Tang was killed instantly once he accidentally triggered the bombing someone left on his tv. Someone used Teagan's hack to break into his home as well and so the break-in had to be tied in with his death. The team looked into Tang. He was working on a digital butler who could read people in an instance and offer them services based on their biometric profiles. It was also something that could be used as a weapon. The team looked for it in Tang's house and they didn't find it. They had to go searching for it in the outside world. They found a teenager who turned out to be Noah's brother that tried selling it.

The kid was just as dumb as Noah. He also had no part in the explosion. He said he chose to hack that house because Teagan had already put out news that the house was available for a party and he thought that if he robbed the place no one would be able to tell who was behind it. But there was a problem with the kid's story. Teagan was asked if she knew Tang and she said she never heard of him. The team went back to talk to her only she disappeared. They had no clue where she was. They also learned that Teagan started to hack the military base around the same time she met her online boyfriend.

The online boyfriend was catfishing her. The team found messages between Teagan and this supposed boyfriend. They know he sent her a fake photo of himself. They knew he pushed Teagan into the hacking. He told her that she could make friends that way. He made her do the hack to help get on the base. He even killed Tang to make Teagan look guilty of murder. Tang was Teagan's mom's boss. He was the one that would have stationed her mom at a different overseas base. He was murdered because it made Teagan look guilty. And the team would have liked to talk to Teagan about it only she ran off because her supposed boyfriend told her to run.

He did everything possible to make her look guilty. The team later caught up to Teagan. They told her that her boyfriend was fake and they convinced her to help them. They tried hacking the catfish's phone. They were unable to. But Teagan installed a backdoor on everyone she gave access to her hack. She was able to turn on the catfish's phone and sent messages to him — that's how the team ended up catching Jason Samuels. He was in his forties. He went to prison because Tang testified against him and that's why he killed Tang and tried to frame Teagan.

Teagan was later reunited with her mom who returned from deployment after she heard her daughter was missing.

All or Nothing

Season 19
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Season Episode: 20

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Teleplay: Yasemin Yilmaz
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Guest Stars: Gianni DeCenzo (Owen), Erin Matthews (Deputy Attorney General Mara Reeves), Deborah Strang (Diane Warner), Kelly Sry (Dr. Scott Long), E.R. Ruiz (Carson), Mike Schiff (Navy Reservist John Murphy), Stephen O'Mahoney (CEO Paul Newhope), Terence J. Rotolo (Bannon)
Production Code: 19020
Summary: NCIS investigates the unexpected death of a Navy reservist who was an investigative journalist. Also, Knight and Jimmy's budding romance is put on hold when a vital organ transfer goes fatally wrong.



Someone was killed while going through a car wash. The victim's name was Navy Reservist John Murphy. Murphy had been in uniform and driving around a van filled with slot machines. NCIS was called in to investigate. The first thing they learned about the case was that Murphy was neither shot nor stabbed. He was covered in blood because he vomited blood. He had been poisoned. The team looked into Murphy and they found out that he was heavily in debt. His wife died. He was a widow. He also got fired from

his stateside job as a journalist. His job as a reservist was the only thing on record bringing in cash and so the team thought Murphy could have been killed for something to do with the slot machines.

It was weird that Murphy had a bunch of them in the back of his van. He didn't work for a casino. He didn't know anyone who worked for a casino and so the team looked into the slot machines. Those machines were reported as being stolen. It turns out Murphy stole the machines from the Navy. The Navy allows casinos on their base as a part of recreation for the soldiers. The team was trying to figure out why Murphy would steal the machines when Kasie came up with the answer. Kasie looked into the machines that were in Murphy's possession and it seems he altered them. Murphy altered them so that a portion of the money put into them would get siphoned.

Murphy wanted a small part of the money to go into a secret bank account that was offshore. He was only asking for a penny out of each dollar put in the machine. But people put millions into those machines every day. Murphy would have become rich if he had been able to put

the machines back as he planned and so his death wasn't a factor in the greater plan. A plan that must involve one other person. Murphy wasn't smart enough to hack the slot machines by himself. He had to have had a partner. Someone who could hack the machines. And so the team was looking into it while also being short-staffed.

Knight volunteered to go with Palmer. Palmer volunteered to drive new organs from one hospital to another. This was a two-person job and so Knight volunteered. She owed it to him after she misconstrued him asking out for coffee as being a group thing. When it wasn't, Palmer asked her out for coffee as just the two of them. He later said he just wanted time to catch up only who knows if he was telling the truth. Then this thing with the transplanted organ came up. Knight agreed to do it because she thought they could talk in the car and unfortunately for the both of them they never got a chance to talk one on one.

First, they had a very annoying third person. Someone from the hospital had to go with them and unfortunately it was a very loud and very annoying person who just wouldn't stop talking. This guy would have talked the whole way to the transplant recipient if they hadn't been driven off the road. Someone put spikes in the road. It forced the car off into a crash. They barely had enough time to check on each other after the crash when someone started shooting at them and so Dr. Scott was killed when he tried to leave the car. Knight and Palmer on the other hand were smarter about their movements.

They shot back at the shooter. Which gave them coverage to get inside a tunnel. It was from the safe place that they noticed armed men coming to check out the car. Knight and Palmer didn't know who was after them. They just knew staying in one place wasn't safe. So, they went into the forest. They started walking. They stopped for a lunch break when one of the men after them found their tracks and so Knight knocked the guy. She stole his gun as well and sadly it happened after Palmer was shot in his leg. Knight had to practically carry Jimmy to a nearby cabin. Once they made it, Knight had to go digging through his leg to get out the bullet.

Palmer used that time to talk. He was asking what happened and that she was avoiding him. The two of them were good friends. They might have even become something more after she took him to a cousin's wedding and they ended up having a great time. Then it all stopped. Knight started to avoid him after the wedding. She tried to turn a one-on-one coffee date into a group thing and so Palmer had to ask what happened. He cares for her. Possibly more than a friend. He admitted as much in the cabin and Knight's only answer was that he was a great friend. She didn't want to lose that by pursuing anything else.

Knight had stolen one of the bad guy's walkie-talkies. She overheard them when they said there was a cabin in the nearby region and so Knight left Palmer at the cabin while she drew out the people with a gun. This was happening as the rest of the team started looking for them. It turns out the team's suspect was Ana Brooks. They figured out she tampered with the slot machines, but it wasn't because of Murphy. Murphy was in fact just reporting the story. probably in the hopes of getting hired as a journalist again. Murphy was reporting the story because Brooks was a whistleblower. She was turning state's evidence against a company called Vega Gaming.

Only Brooks was sick. She needed a liver transplant. The man she was testifying against her had tried to stop her from getting a new liver and he couldn't kill Brooks directly because she was in protective custody. The only thing they could do was go after the liver itself. Destroy it and it kills Brooks. And so the team went looking for Knight and Palmer after they failed to show up at the hospital.

They found them after the two saved themselves. Palmer refused to let Knight die to save himself. He went back for her. He helped save her. They killed off the bad guys. They also saved the liver and so the liver was sent to Brooks. And she'll live long enough to make it to trial.

But after everything, Knight went out on that coffee date with Palmer.

Birds of a Feather

Season 19
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Season Episode: 21

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Guest Stars: Teri Polo (Vivian Kolchak), Erik Passoja (FBI Deputy Director Wayne Sweeney), Francis X. McCarthy (Roman Parker), Jessica Gardner (Olivia Kahn), Jene Bush (Frank Ressler / Birdwatcher)
Production Code: 19021
Summary: When Agent Parker is framed for murder, the team puts their jobs and lives on the line to buy time and uncover the truth.



It's that time of year. Not New Year's or Christmas Day! No, it's the time of year that NCIS was asked to fill out disclosure reports detailing their own private financial lives and Parker even asked for additional documents because six pages weren't enough for him. The team had been curious when they found out he needed extra documents. They wanted to snoop through his forms when they got an emergency alert from Kasie. She said someone sent them anonymous photos of a kidnapping. The person that was ab-

ducted just happened to be Parker's ex-wife. She was on a morning hike when someone came up behind her and injected her with a needle. And afterward, her kidnaper threw her into the trunk of a car before making their escape.

Someone with a camera witnessed it all. This person seems to have known something was going to happen, but it didn't make sense that it was sent to an NCIS tip line. Not unless someone was trying to get under Parker's skin. Parker does work for NCIS and his ex-wife was taken after he included her in his financial papers. There was a chance she could have been taken as a means of getting back at Parker. Parker considered this when he realized what happened to his ex-wife. He contacted everyone who knew her to see if they heard from her and it turns out Vivian was last in contact with Parker's dad.

Vivian and Roman Parker remained on friendly terms even after the divorce. Roman was living in a retirement home because most of his children were spread out across the globe and so it was just Parker who got to see him on a weekly basis. They usually met up to play "Risk". Only Roman doesn't necessarily care for his son. He blames Parker for the divorce. He also holds the fact that Parker went to juvie as a kid over Parker's head. He even managed to find a way to blame Parker for Vivian's kidnapping. But that was proving to be true. Roman said that Vivian stopped by to give him some baked goods she made that morning and that she told him she was going on her usual run.

The run was by a specific lake. The team went there and they found a towel as a broken water bottle. They also found the spot where the photographer took photos of the kidnapping. They found sunflower seeds at the scene. Parker realized who that reminded him of. He reached out to his old partner at the FBI and he hadn't told his team about it. Not telling them proved to be a mistake. The team found out that Former FBI Special Agent Frank Ressler was involved in Vivian's kidnapping. They went to the man's house and they found him dead in his garage. They also found evidence that Parker had visited the late Ressler rather recently.

Parker did own up to that after they found Ressler's body. He said he came to suspect Ressler's involvement in Vivian's kidnapping and that all he did was knock on the door. According to Parker, no one answered. He then went away. Parker didn't know at what time he visited the house and so that looked suspicious. The team was able to figure out that Ressler was murdered ten that night. Parker also didn't come to the team when he began suspecting Ressler's involvement and that meant Parker couldn't be part of their team. Not while he was a suspect in a murder case. Parker was asked to go on leave while the team continued their investigation.

But soon they were knocking at Parker's door wanting to know why his DNA was found on Ressler's corpse. Ressler had fought his attacker and right now that DNA was saying the attacker was Parker. The team went to Parker's home. They were going to ask him some questions when Vivian showed up. Vivian was no longer kidnapped. She managed to escape her captors and she got word to Parker. Parker brought her back to his apartment. So, she was there too when Parker was asking questions. Vivian had to answer questions about what she remembered from her own kidnapper. What she told them helped lead them to a pet store and the words "Nevermore" was written on the walls.

That word basically told them that Raven is back. The Raven could even be why Parker's DNA was found on a murdered body and why his ex-wife had been kidnapped. The Raven was dangerous. He or she likes to prolong suffering as long as they could. Parker was being accused of murder and fraud because somehow the FBI claims they have documents proving Parker committed fraud. And so there was only one he could do. Parker and Vivian left town to investigate the true source behind all of these supposed crimes.

Season Twenty

A Family Matter (1)

Season 20
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Season Episode: 1

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Guest Stars: Vanessa Lachey (NCIS Special Agent Jane Tennant), Jason Antoon (Cyber Intelligence Specialist Ernie Malik), Erik Passoja (FBI Deputy Director Wayne Sweeney), Michael Weston (Herman Maxwell), Susan Ruttan (Samantha Delfino), Eric C. Lynch (Lieutenant Gary Shay), Joe Spano (T.C. Fornell), Karina Noelle Castillo (FBI Agent Ramirez), Teri Polo (Vivian Kolchak)
Production Code: 20001
Summary: Parker is still on the run with his ex-wife Vivian, so the team investigates who might have a vendetta against him in hopes of clearing Parker's name. Enlisting the help of Tennant and Computer Specialist Ernie Malik, who are in town meeting with Director Vance in preparation for a global military exercise, the team tracks their prime suspect, The Raven.



NCIS Special Agent Alden Parker went on the run. He had been framed for a crime he didn't commit. He thought a terrorist was after him and his ex-wife. He went on the run, but he brought Vivian with him because he thought he was keeping her safe when the reality is she was working with someone. Vivian was in touch with a mystery person. It could be the Raven. It could be someone else. She was using a secret cell phone to contact him or her. She was also hiding this from Parker. Vivian was pretending to help Parker track

down the accounting firm that set up a bogus offshore bank account in his name and she was also texting someone about where to bring Parker.

Parker eventually caught her on that secret phone. He didn't confront her or anything. He instead let her believe she was safe and the whole time he was spying on her as she spied on him. He even got the number from the burner phone. Parker hadn't wanted to tell the team that he suspected his ex-wife. He chose to call Kasie and ask Kasie to trace the number without telling the team. Kasie had been with Jimmy. Jimmy was the only person who knew Parker had reached out. They tracked down the number. They realized Vivian bought the burner in question. They also realized she was contacting the FBI.

Kasie sent that information to Parker. He was so glad she wasn't working with the Raven that he was willing to forgive the fact she was betraying him to the FBI. Or that's what they all thought.

It turns out Vivian was stringing along the FBI. She was also in contact with a former FBI agent. She was reached out to Fornell. Fornell came to help. He found out about what happened to Parker and he wanted to help his old friend. Did he think Parker would attack him by accident? No! But Parker did and he had to apologize when he realized that Vivian hadn't turned him into the authorities. And he had to apologize to Vivian as well.

Vivian told him that the FBI or better yet Special Agent Sweeney was really out to get him. Sweeney wanted Vivian to betray Parker and she would never do that and so she's been helping Parker evade capture by giving Sweeney false information. She explained it all to Parker once he apologized. He had to apologize for suspecting she was working with the Raven. He also had to remind her that he wasn't the same reactionary dumb guy she married years ago. Sure, he hit Fornell. It was reflex. Parker is much better now. He's zen even. He tried to say as much to Vivian. She didn't want to believe him.

As all of this was going down, the rest of the team was getting information on the Raven. They were trying to figure out why the Raven had made it so personal with Parker. It dawned on them that it could be connected to all the appeals. Once word goes out that Parker was a wanted man, every person he put behind bars filed for an appeal. Including Herman Maxwell. Maxwell is a hacker. Parker put him away for life. Maxwell was filing an appeal or at least that was his plan right up until he talked to NCIS. Knight and McGee went to visit Maxwell in prison. They asked him about who he was working for.

Maxwell admitted he hacked several bio labs for a Russian oligarch nicknamed "Voron". Voron was apparently the Russian word for Raven. It seems the guy was wealthy enough to afford Maxwell's services while also being delusional enough to become obsessed with bio labs and creating mass panic just for the sake of it. This guy was dangerous. When Maxwell heard that his old friend was the one framing Parker, he refused to help NCIS. He even canceled his appeal. He wanted to stay in prison. He felt safer in prison. He thought that Voron wanted him out because he wanted to take him out and so he didn't want to leave prison for anything.

But the team needed answers. If the Raven wants to kill Maxwell at any cost, it means Maxwell knows more than he's letting on and that he could be a great asset. They just had to get him talking. He shut down once he realized it was connected to Voron. The team found Parker and gave some made-up therapist background and they got him into the prison to see Maxwell. Maxwell wouldn't talk to NCIS but he would Parker. Parker was someone Maxwell respected. He didn't even mind that Parker was the one who arrested him. He still respected the guy and he told Parker as much as he could.

The team also went digging on the dark web. They put the name "Voron" along with biochemicals and they got a hit. They found someone from a crazy Russian gangster family. There to help was Ernie Malik. Ernie was visiting Virginia with his boss Special Agent Tennant. They were in town to meet with Director Vance only they had some time before their flight. They were willing to help with the case. Ernie remembered Maxwell from his days in the NSA. He was part of the team that gathered information on Maxwell for the FBI and so he had no problem with jumping in to help find the Raven.

Tennant agreed to do it because Torres asked her to. Torres and Tennant have this crazy filtration thing going. They were fine with being friends. It just didn't stop them from flirting or helping each other out on covert missions.

As for Parker, he grabbed a crew to go to a location where Maxwell said they should go but it was a trap. Maxwell led them into a trap. It turns out Herman Maxwell was the Raven all along. And he ambushed the team.

Vivian was in the hospital with a gunshot wound and the FBI suspended the investigation into Parker, but Maxwell got away and the team was pursuing him.

The episode will conclude in *NCIS: Hawaii* episode S02E01 titled *Prisoner's Dilemma*.

Daddy Issues

Season 20
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Season Episode: 2

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Guest Stars: Kash Abdulmalik (Carter Landegraff), Peter Porte (Owen Belfort III), Brian Thomas Smith (Larry), Rob Welsh (Julian Reinhardt), Erik Heger (Sam), Desirée Mee Jung (Dee Walters), Mary Chieffo (Sierra Thompson), Kyle Eastman (Stafford Meeks), Noah Staggs (Kingston Reinhardt)
Production Code: 20002
Summary: McGee's personal life and professional life intersect when a dad from his children's school is linked to a break-in at a government storage bunker.



A congressional oversight committee went to go investigate a naval storage facility. They sent a representative. The representative had a naval escort. But whatever was stored there was so top secret that the naval escort wasn't told what was inside. She opened up the building in a part of getting her own curiosity sated when both she and the representative came across a body. There was also a guy in a mask who attacked both parties before fleeing. The petty officer called NCIS. The team came along with Jimmy. Jimmy

checked on the body. The rest went inside the vault to see what was being stored. And you wouldn't believe it.

It wasn't gold. It wasn't oil. It wasn't even worth protecting. The naval storage unit was being used to store barrels of cheese. The team opened up the barrels and they found cheese inside. They reported it to Director Vance. He figured out why the cheese was being stored. It turns out the government was buying a surplus of cheese as a way of subsidizing the dairy community. They wanted to keep that hidden because there was a lot of lobbying and millions involved. The government didn't want it to get out that there were kickbacks involving cheese. And so the team was fine with keeping things discreet.

But there was the issue of the body. Jimmy was able to get a fingerprint from the body and the dead person turned out to be Tyson Perkins. Perkins was a career thief. He's worked with all the greats. There was no telling who his accomplice was and Jimmy proved he wasn't murdered. The guy died from a severe lactone intolerant allergy. He and his partner broke into the storage facility. Probably in the hope of securing something profitable and they ended up trapped inside. They were lucky that someone on the congressional committee came around looking. Or else the partner would have died in the vault.

The team went looking for a partner. They figured the best way to find him was to find out how the thieves got into the vault to begin with. They checked the security. It was basically unhackable. They checked the security firm and the only way that anyone could hack that was if they got the code from the creator himself. The creator was someone known to McGee. It was Carter Landergraff. Carter was a dad at the same school that McGee sends his kids. As it happens, Carter has been asking him about his job lately. He wanted all details about being a federal agent and so McGee thought Carter was trying to spy on him.

There was just one problem with that theory, though. Carter was harmless. He was a big goof. He said that his money went missing from a cryptocurrency account and that he asked his friend to help him track down the money. The friend needed his laptop. Carter thought the rest of his information was safe because he put up some kind of interior wall. Only his friend wasn't as harmless as he thought. His friend was Kingston Reinhardt. He was a big-time gangster. He offered to help Carter find the missing cryptocurrency and he also used the information on Carter's computer to help his nephew break into the vault.

The nephew found cheese. He got help in escaping and someone in the meantime killed Kingston. They found a mark on Kingston that proved Kingston's heart attack was staged. He was really murdered and so whoever stole the money had also killed Kingston to cover it up. They also tried to kill Carter. Carter's car was blown up after he accidentally activated a car bomb. Carter's family was taken to a safe house and Carter was asked several questions about who would want him dead. It turns out the cryptocurrency wasn't his own money. It was actually money from the school fundraiser. He was supposed to raise a half of million and he got half of that.

Carter thought putting the money in cryptocurrency would help him raise the rest. But then someone stole it and he asked his friend to track down that person and then his friend was killed. Whoever stole the money had been someone involved with that school. Carter was safe. McGee not so much. McGee finally attended one of those dad seminars and it had been a bust. The others were very judgy of him. It made McGee feel bad. He even felt sympathy towards Carter. Carter was the only other dad that was ostracized. He was a little chatty with the other dads. And the other dads found McGee too quiet.

McGee finally started talking to Carter and together they figured out their killer/thief. It was the guy working at the juice bar. Carter had used the juice bar as his office and so the barista was spying on him on the public Wi-Fi. The guy got arrested. Carter got back the money plus interest and they finally met their school goat. And Carter got a friend.

McGee decided to befriend Carter and the two grabbed drinks together once the case was over.

Unearth

Season 20

Episode Number: 438

Season Episode: 3

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Writer: Yasemin Yilmaz
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Guest Stars: Billy Miller (Ezra Moretti), Jonathan Kowalsky (Nate Holt), Jane Carr (Dr. Erica Heller), Michael McShane (Dr. Matthew Heller), Grace Narducci (Nicole), Laura San Giacomo (Dr. Grace Confalone), Laith Wallschleger (Erik Nilsson), Deborah Vancelette (Nurse), Marty Dew (Daniel Vega), Beth Fraser (Reporter #1), Danny Royce (Reporter #2)
Production Code: 20003
Summary: When a dead body is found at an ancient burial site that is thought to be cursed, the team tries to determine the motive and the symbolism behind the crime. As Torres continues therapy with Dr. Grace, he discovers that their lives are in danger.



There was an incident eighteen months ago. Some American soldiers had heard about a treasure being buried in Afghanistan and they pursued it. They eventually found the treasure. They also found out why no one else has ever pursued it. It turns out the treasure was buried on an ancient burial site. The whole area was considered haunted and the locals never dug up the treasure because there reportedly was a curse on it. According to the rumor, the people who dug up the treasure would all die horrible deaths. The

American soldiers chose to ignore the story. They dug up the treasure anyways. And they took it back with them to the United States and that was that.

Fast-forward a few months. The NCIS caught a case. They were investigating the death of a naval contractor. Special Agent Parker and his team had to wade through the press at the Quantico National Cemetery in order to get to the body of Erik Nilsson and what they found there had been unusual. Nilsson's internal organs had all been turned to stone. It was a first for Jimmy and the first for the others as well. No one knew how someone's organs turn to stone. Not until Jimmy opened up the body and found that it hadn't turned to stone at all. Someone had simply removed all of the victim's organs before replacing them with actual stones. There was even something on the stones themselves.

It looked like tribal symbols. Ducky was brought in to help with this case. He reached out to his friends who were experts in that field and he showed them pictures of the stones. They said it was connected to the Bactrian Kingdom. There was reportedly a treasure connected to that kingdom that was hidden in modern-day Afghanistan. It has a curse on it and the curse

says that it would turn everyone's inside into stone if the treasure was ever stolen. Which it was. Nilsson was a part of that group that stole the treasure. The treasure that rightfully belongs to Afghanistan and the press knows about it.

Someone notified the press from the very beginning. It was possible that the killer could have done so and so that posed the question of why? Why would the killer risk everything to tell the press? The press being involved also made things more complicated. Parker was told he had to brief them each time something new came up and he quickly found a way out of that. He began mocking the victim to the PR team. They soon began feeling he wasn't right for the job of being in charge of the press and so they removed him from that position. But the team had some pressing concerns when one of their own went missing.

Torres went missing. At first, they thought he had just been held up. Torres is very personable. He has lots of charm. He hasn't really dated anyone since Bishop left and so his not reporting to work was unusual. Torres went to go check a lead with Dr. Grace. Grace was a therapist. She was actually treating Torres for months now. He thought they had a great relationship and he volunteered to go talk to her once they realized that Nilsson contacted Grace on the day he died. Only Torres ran into a masked man at Grace's office. He fought the guy. He was winning when the guy's partner threatened to shoot Grace if he didn't stop fighting.

Torres was taken, hostage. Grace was taken, hostage. Grace has no idea why. She doesn't know Nilsson. She's never met him and so it's a good thing the team was investigating Torres's disappearance when they found out that those men also took Grace. Here's what happened. The group of soldiers stole a treasure from Afghanistan and two of the men snuck it into the United States. They were supposed to have told their buddies once they arrived only something happened. One of the guys took off with the gold and he went crazy. He began getting confused. He couldn't remember what day it was and he became a patient of Grace's.

Grace treated Danny Vega. She put him in a psych ward. Which was a problem because his friends Moretti and Holt wanted the gold and no one could find him. They tried asking the other guy who traveled with Vega. They asked Nilsson. He didn't know where Vega was. He did however lead them to Grace who was Vega's therapist and so the bad guys killed Nilsson and went after Grace to get to Vega. She eventually admitted that Vega has been put on a psych hold after they shot Torres to prove they were serious. Once she told him where Vega was, they demanded that Grace help get to Vega or else they were going to kill Torres.

Moretti went with Grace to the hospital. They met with Vega. Vega wasn't making sense. He was deeply traumatized by the war and he thought he lost his mind because of the curse. Grace gave him something to knock him out. She then tried to negotiate with Moretti. She tried to get him to release Torres, but she didn't need to bother. The team found Torres. They rescued him from killing Holt. They then sent him to the hospital for his wound while they pursued Grace. Once she saw help had arrived, Grace gave them an opening and they were able to kill Moretti.

As for the treasure, Grace eventually talked Vega into giving up its location. The treasure is being handed over to a nonprofit where it will hopefully do some good in Afghanistan.

Leave No Trace

Season 20

Episode Number: 439

Season Episode: 4

Originally aired: Monday October 10, 2022
Writer: Chad Gomez Creasey
Director: William Webb
Show Stars: Sean Murray (NCIS Senior Special Agent Timothy McGee), Wilmer Valderrama (NCIS Special Agent Nick Torres), Katrina Law (NCIS Special Agent Jessica Knight), Brian Dietzen (Chief Medical Examiner Jimmy Palmer), Diona Reasonover (Forensic Scientist Kasie Hines), David McCallum (NCIS Historian Donald Mallard), Rocky Carroll (NCIS Director Leon Vance), Gary Cole (FBI Special Agent Alden Park)
Guest Stars: Caleb Alexander Smith (ISB Special Agent Gage Winchester), Michael Petrone (Camping Guide Carl), Norman Lehnert (Greg Patrick Walsh), Nicola Posener (Maxine Lautner), Tiffany Dion (Eye-Roll Girl)
Production Code: 20004
Summary: Agent Knight's past resurfaces when her ex-boyfriend, a National Parks Service agent, teams up with NCIS to investigate a campsite murder.



A camping trip ended abruptly once one of the campers found a body. The body was that of Navy Petty Officer Third Class Aaron Thomas. When his body was found, everyone assumed it was a bear attack. There had been sightings of erratic bears in the area. But it wasn't a bear that killed Aaron. Aaron was killed by a person. Someone opened the door to the bathroom and stabbed him. His murder sparked an NCIS investigation led by Parker's team. They were the ones searching for evidence. They were comb-

ing the woods. Knight seemed to be in her element because she could climb trees and follow a trail better than anyone else.

She followed the trail right back to an old friend of hers. He was actually an ex-boyfriend. Special Agent Gage Winchester was a member of the National Park Service and he was hot. He was a gorgeous man with a six-pack. He looked nothing like Knight's current boyfriend, Jimmy. Something that literally everyone noticed. Even the director noticed. They all compared Jimmy and that gorgeous man and found Jimmy lacking. The only one who wasn't taking it badly was Jimmy himself. Jimmy was planning on a getaway with him and Knight. They were going to a spa. And they were going to get attuned to nature.

Or that was a plan before Jimmy met Gage. Gage was also working on the case. He's been following up on a killer that uses several National Parks to kill people and dump their bodies. Only Gage hasn't found any evidence in the two other murders. He was hoping this third one would finally be the clincher in finding the killer. Jimmy had looked at the other two autopsies. He confirmed it was all the same killer. Meaning they were in fact looking for a serial killer. The killer had already killed at least three people by that point and they didn't want him to hurt anyone else. Gage hadn't been the original agent in the National Parks that got assigned to this case, but he pulled rank to make sure he got it.

Which was suspicious. It was especially suspicious once Gage and Knight later found evidence of someone burning Gage's file. His file is in the National Parks. It's weird that anyone would have access to that file much less burn one. The team thought it was weird as well. They asked Gage about anyone that might have stood out and he didn't have names. He had no clue who would be involved in the murders. But the team still got ahead without his input. They found a suspect. They confirmed that one person was in the area around the woods during the time of the murder and that person had a record.

The suspect was identified as Greg Patrick Walsh. He was once a doctor. He lost his license and got sent to prison after he operated on someone under the influence of narcotics. His patient had died. Greg spent five years in prison. He was out now and some thought he got a thirst for killing. What they couldn't find was a connection to Gage. Something they tabled while they track down Walsh. They found out Walsh had used his credit card to book a hotel near the airport and they went there expecting him. Only he wasn't there. Walsh actually approached Jimmy at the diner. Jimmy had been having lunch with Ducky.

Jimmy had actually been affected by Gage being around Knight so much. He noticed Gage's attractiveness and he felt worried. Ducky put him at ease. He told him that he wasn't in any competition. Knight's relationship with Gage ended for a reason. She's now with Jimmy. They haven't named their relationship as a relationship, but it's there and so Jimmy was just beginning to feel better about everything when Walsh approached him. Walsh wanted to turn himself in. He apparently had a lot to say. He was already talking about how the murders were a part of something much larger when a drive-by shooter took him out.

Walsh was killed in NCIS's custody. Gage noticed something on his hands. It was a flower that only grew in certain parts of the parks and so Gage went there without telling anyone. He ran into an erratic bear. The bear almost killed him. A park ranger had to use three tranquilizers to take it down when normally they just need one. So, that's when Parker figured everything out. Parker realized the bear was acting so erratic because it was high. They tested the bear's saliva and found the bear was high on cocaine. Here's what happened: Walsh agreed to work with drug dealers. They would drop a shipment over the park. And it was Walsh's job to collect it.

Walsh killed any witnesses to him finding the drugs. But the bears had gotten to the drugs. Walsh realized he lost the product and that he would ultimately have to pay a price for losing it and so that's when he decided to turn himself in. He did research on Gage because he thought of turning himself into Gage. But Walsh was killed within moments of trying to do so. And they found his killers by tracking down the shipment of drugs.

Gage technically helped cracked the case, but Knight was reminded of why they were no longer together and Gage was also asked to leave the city. Which he happily did. Gage was gone. Everyone felt better for Jimmy and Jimmy still wanted to define the relationship with Knight. And so they needed to have that conversation.

Guardian

Season 20
Episode Number: 440
Season Episode: 5

Originally aired: Monday October 17, 2022
Writer: Marco Schnabel
Director: James Whitmore Jr.
Show Stars: Sean Murray (NCIS Senior Special Agent Timothy McGee), Wilmer Valderrama (NCIS Special Agent Nick Torres), Katrina Law (NCIS Special Agent Jessica Knight), Brian Dietzen (Chief Medical Examiner Jimmy Palmer), Diona Reasonover (Forensic Scientist Kasie Hines), David McCallum (NCIS Historian Donald Mallard), Rocky Carroll (NCIS Director Leon Vance), Gary Cole (FBI Special Agent Alden Park)
Guest Stars: Elyse Levesque (Frauke Biedermann), Maren Hassler (Lena Paulsen), Marika Engelhardt (Elisabeth Wenders), Dustin Seavey (Larry Sykes), Oscar Best (Phil Newcastle), Jessica Gardner (Olivia Kahn), Charley Rowan McCain (Heidi Umarov Paulsen), Ian Fisher (Sergei Umarov), Naomi Grace (Kayla Vance)
Production Code: 20005
Summary: Agent Parker steps up to protect Director Vance after a terrifying home invasion. The team detects advancements in Jessica and Jimmy's blossoming romance.



An armed group of men broke into Director Vance's house. He was able to fight them off. He also literally dodged a bullet and broke the neck of the man who fired the gun. It was three guys in all. Vance killed one. The other two managed to escape. But an attack on Vance was personal to NCIS. Special Agent Parker and his team caught this case. They investigated it. They all wanted to catch the guys who broke in because Vance was a friend and so it was just Vance who didn't take what happen personally. He was still planning on going on a work trip. He was supposed to fly to Berlin. And

Parker didn't think that was a good idea.

Parker tried to talk Vance out of the work trip. Parker understood that there were risks with two men out there with a grudge against Vance and so it was just Vance who refused to believe he was in danger. He was that set on going to Berlin. He wouldn't even listen to the evidence. The armed men managed to get pass his high-tech security alarm without it going off. That means they knew what they were doing when they targeted Vance. These men also surveilled Vance's home beforehand. The neighbors had footage of the same car driving by at least four times past his house. Parker's team got the license plate of the car and it led back to a rental that was purchased with a fake ID.

These men did everything possible to get to Vance. Without getting caught no less. Parker didn't think that was going to end just because of a work trip. Parker was so worried that he basically invited himself along on the trip. Both he and Vance flew to Berlin. They left behind McGee to act as temporary NCIS Director. Not that McGee let that go to his head. He actually

hated politics. He much prefers being a field agent and so he was counting the days till Vance returned. He was also still working Vance's case. He and the others found out that the car was rented with both a fake id as well as a fake credit card. The car was also used in another purchase. It was used to buy two tickets to Berlin.

Whatever these men were after, they weren't going to stop. Not even the death of a friend phased them. They were set on getting to Vance and Parker did everything to keep his friend safe. He even followed Vance to Vance's date. Vance was secretly hooking up with Deputy Director Lena Paulsen. They used these work trips to meet up and sleep together. Its why Vance was so set on making the trip. These trips don't come around often. There aren't many times that Vance can run into Lena and so he was all set for their date in Berlin when Parker tagged along. Parker got the call about the men buying a ticket to Berlin right around the time both he and Vance noticed that Lena's door was broken in.

They went into her hotel room only to find Lena shot on the floor. She was shot three times. She was barely alive by time they found her and had her rush to the hospital. The local German police asked the two men if they saw anything. But they hadn't. The detective also mentioned that Lena kept saying "Festung" to the EMTs. Vance pretended not to know what that was. It was Parker who saw through him. Parker told him the only way they can help Lena is by being honest with each other and so he got Vance to admit what festung was. It was a secret ops mission with Berlin forces. Both Vance and Lena helped take down a Chechen terrorist by the name of Goran Umarov.

Umarov was killed during the mission. The case was closed and everyone thought that was it. Only the team found something. They found out that Lena stole from Umarov. She was put in charge of logging in evidence. She chose to instead falsified information to steal millions in diamonds. She covered it up and not even Vance knew what she did yet this happened six years ago. Why now? Umarov's brother had recently broken out of prison. Sergei was just as ruthless and he probably wants revenge for his brother. He went after Vance. He also went after Lena. And so the team checked in with other people attached to the mission.

Everyone else was fine. It was just Vance and Lena who were targeted. The team couldn't figure out why until they found Lena's clue. Lena left behind quotes in a bible. Kasie realized those numbers were a bank account and routing numbers. She traced the account back to Elizabeth Wenders. She was in fact Lena's sister. She said the bank account was for Lena's daughter. Lena didn't just steal diamonds from Umarov. She also took his daughter. She found the baby girl after Umarov was dead. The baby was neglected and malnourished. Lena took pity on her. She chose to raise Heidi as her daughter. She hid Heidi with her sister and she cashed out the diamonds to put it in a trust fund for Heidi.

Sergei didn't want the money. He wanted the girl. Vance and Parker agreed to honor Lena's wishes by keeping Heidi safe. They tried taking her to a safehouse when they were betrayed by a Berlin detective. Sergei's people showed up at the safe house. They shot out the car. Forcing Vance and Parker to stand and fight. Vance and Parker were able to fight off Sergei as well as his men. They arrested everyone they could and killed the ones they couldn't. And they also reunited Heidi with her mother.

Lena woke up at the hospital. She hadn't told Vance any of what happened, but he chose to forgive her the many lies and he covered up the fact that Heidi was Umarov's daughter. And so no one was going to take the little girl away from Lena's family.

The Good Fighter

Season 20

Episode Number: 441

Season Episode: 6

Originally aired: Monday October 24, 2022
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Guest Stars: Amber Friendly (Eden Greyson), Menik Gooneratne (Diya Khatri), Mark Atteberry (Medgar Nash), Damian Joseph Quinn (Travis Baltoni), KayKay Blaisdell (Gen Z Girl), Vonzell Carter (Instructor)
Production Code: 20006
Summary: When an NCIS agent turns up dead and Kasie goes unaccounted for, the team must work quickly to find the killer.



Kasie's at her martial arts class, where her instructor points out that she's still struggling to listen to her gut.

As she walks out that night, she's too wrapped up in watching the video of her sparring session to see a mysterious van waiting to snatch her from the dark parking lot. Not to victim-blame, but ma'am, you work at NCIS. You've seen all kinds of dangerous things. Keep your head on a swivel!

In the big orange room, McGee complains about the sluggishness of his de-

vices, and hilariously, his laptop keeps grinding to a halt with a sound like malfunctioning robot gears, which isn't really a thing that computers do.

The slow network doesn't keep the team from getting called to its latest murder, where the team is shocked to find fellow NCIS agent Otis Khatri dead in the house of Lt. Mary Laredo, who's deployed at the moment.

Otis was the person who oversaw NCIS' humanitarian response after wars and natural disasters, and he'd volunteered to watch Laredo's beloved cat, Prince Charming, while she's gone. When the team interviews Otis' sister, she recognizes Tim as "McGeek" and says Otis hadn't wanted to talk about work for the past week or so.

They find evidence of blood at the scene that had been cleaned up after Prince Charming walked through it, which means the missing cat may have bloody DNA on his paws.

So Knight searches for Prince Charming by checking local vets to see if his microchip has been scanned, but is she searching the neighborhood? Posting fliers? Setting tuna out at Laredo's house to lure him out of hiding? It's like she's never searched for a lost pet before.

Oh, and Kasie's also missing, which has Palmer worried. But Parker assures him that she requested a personal day off, and sir, you work at NCIS. You've seen all kinds of dangerous things. If your colleague says it's weird that Kasie's missing work without arranging for anyone to cover for her, listen to him!

Anyway, Palmer discovered sky-high levels of sesame oil in Otis' blood, and since he was horribly allergic and vigilant about checking ingredients before eating anything, Palmer assumes Otis must've trusted the person who gave him the dosed food.

Palmer does his best to process the evidence in Kasie's absence, even busting out the hand-written Abby's Lab for Dummies manual in a sequence accompanied by the techno/punk soundtrack that used to play over Abby's scenes, which is just delightful.

Alas, Abby's manual isn't user-friendly enough, and Palmer executes a command that makes all the computers freak out. Good thing Kasie's in the building to set things right and reveal that the prints on Otis' laptop belong to... Kasie.

She insists on being interrogated in the normal room, but twist, she sits down in the interrogator's seat, asking McGee to account for the multiple shipments of electronic equipment he recently received from China. McGeek says they were parts to fix up an old Barry Smiles robot, aka the most expressive talking bear of the '80s.

This satisfies Kasie, who tells the interrogation room camera that her investigation into the mole at NCIS is officially over. Then she explains to her flabbergasted colleagues that she was recruited by Defense Criminal Investigation Services a few months ago to look for the mole among her colleagues. Even Vance didn't know.

DCIS Agent Eden Grayson explains that they cleared Kasie first, then put her to work. Vance is incredulous that they didn't even give Kasie a support team, especially since she's not an actual agent. She tells Palmer keeping secrets was lonely, and she even used PTO to wrap up her work clearing the team.

Kasie discovers that Otis was using the NCIS system to steal proprietary info from massive oil and tech companies and ransoming it back to them, which is what was slowing down the network.

The team finds one of the company owners who refused to pay the ransom and connect with the guy on a yacht in Ibiza. He says he got a new ransom demand that morning and paid it, but he refuses to say where he sent the money.

To find out who Otis was working with, NCIS needs access to that company's server room, so they send Kasie in through the air vent with the whole team supporting her this time. When Kasie tries to apologize to Knight for the surveillance, Jess shuts her down quick, saying Kasie was just doing her job. Knight is correct, and good for her for making sure Kasie knows it.

As Kasie crawls through the vent, she tells the team over coms that she's proud of the job she did and actually feels closer to them all now. When she drops into the server room, Torres calls her Rambo, but she's clearly channeling Ethan Hunt.

Complications arrive when a young company employee enters the server room, and Kasie's unable to come up with a good cover story for what she's doing there, flailing so hard that the woman asks, "Are you... good?" which is the perfect Gen Z response.

Despite the team assuring Kasie that they have her back, not one of them helps her come up with a good cover story, but she pulls it together on her own and yells at the woman to get out of the server room with her spillable beverage.

Thanks to her quick thinking, the team learns that a Caymans Island account auto-donates the millions in ransomware to charities. In fact, every blackmailed company had defaulted on a public pledge to donate to various charities, which makes Otis a Robin Hood hacker.

And now we know who his killer is thanks to Knight singing Laredo's silly cat song to lure Prince Charming back home. She and Palmer ham-handedly deal with the freaked-out cat. But his paws yield the killers' DNA, which turns out to be...

At Kasie's debrief in the mysterious DCIS van, Grayson jokes that you can't really ask a charity to give the donation back, but Kasie never told Grayson that detail of the case.

By the time the team gets there, a full-on struggle's taking place in the van, and the door flies open to reveal that Kasie managed to subdue the gun-carrying Grayson. Look at our favorite lab tech finally listening to her gut!

Otis noticed the blackmail scheme and brought it to Grayson, who murdered him, then tried to frame him for the Robin Hood scheme.

The episode closes with Vance telling Otis' sister about what a stellar agent and human he was and a more confident Kasie back on the sparring mat.

Love Lost

Season 20
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Season Episode: 7

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Director: Rocky Carroll
Show Stars: Sean Murray (NCIS Senior Special Agent Timothy McGee), Wilmer Valderrama (NCIS Special Agent Nick Torres), Katrina Law (NCIS Special Agent Jessica Knight), Brian Dietzen (Chief Medical Examiner Jimmy Palmer), Diona Reasonover (Forensic Scientist Kasie Hines), David McCallum (NCIS Historian Donald Mallard), Rocky Carroll (NCIS Director Leon Vance), Gary Cole (FBI Special Agent Alden Park)
Guest Stars: Michael Kostroff (Felix Lassiter), Carolyn Hennesy (Secretary of the Navy Tara Flynn), Elise Eberle (Arlene Wilkes), Jonny Rios (Victor Wilkes), Christian Barillas (Rafa Lopez), Devika Parikh (Doctor Saanvi Singh), Joshua Nazaroff (Zero), Patrick Labyorteaux (Olev Kozlov), Brandon Papo (Bobby)
Production Code: 20007
Summary: NCIS must investigate the Secretary of the Navy when her husband claims she tried to murder him.



Someone walked into the NCIS headquarters to report a crime. He wanted to report three crimes actually. Felix Lassiter went to NCIS because he wanted to report his wife for attempting to murder him and it falls under NCIS's jurisdiction because his wife was their boss. She was the Secretary of the Navy. Her name is Tara Flynn. Their marriage was an opposites attract sort of thing. It also didn't work out because they were in the middle of a divorce and he has been dragging his feet on signing the papers. He thought

he could win her back after she kicked him out. He was trying to get her back when he had three almost fatal "accidents" within a week.

Felix believes his wife was the one trying to kill him. There was no one else who wanted him dead. He was a toy model engineer. He considers himself an entrepreneur and he has at least three patents that were pending. But that wasn't why his marriage broke up. It broke up because Felix was a noted conspiracy nut. He always thought everyone was out to get him. His wife Tara finally had enough of him after he accused her of having an affair with the Sultan of Brunei. Tara was also out of the country and so she couldn't be personally behind these "accidents". And everyone had pretty much dismissed Felix when he suffered a cardiac event.

Felix almost died at their headquarters. It was the fourth nearly fatal accident he's gone through and he would have died if they hadn't administered first aid right then and there. Felix was sent to the hospital. The hospital didn't find anything in his blood. Which wasn't the same for Kasie. Kasie tested the blood with other tests and she determined that Felix had been poisoned by a nerve agent. It was one that only a handful of people has access to in the Navy. Felix's wife was one of those people. Tara quickly became a suspect in the multiple attempted murders on Felix's life. He almost got run down by a strange car, something punctured a whole that allowed

carbon monoxide into his apartment, and someone broke into his apartment only to destroy his model train.

After they found out he was poisoned by a nerve gas, they had Tara return to the United States. She had been away on a work trip to Amsterdam and she was initially thrown when she was questioned by her own people. They told her that her husband has been poisoned. They asked her about Felix's enemies and she admitted that Felix hadn't told them everything. Felix has a gambling addiction. He gambled his daughter's college fund as well as their life savings. Tara said that Felix owes a lot of money to his bookie. His bookie was Olev Koslov. Tara suspected that Olev was connected to the Russian mob. And so the team looked into it.

They found Olev. He told them that Felix doesn't owe him any money. Felix quit gambling. He's in Gambling Anonymous now. It also turns out that Olev's car was used to almost run down Felix. Only Olev wasn't driving. It was his associate Zero who did the driving. Zero showed McGee the texts he received from Felix to kill him. The texts claimed Felix wanted to end his life but was too scared to do it himself and so the team came to believe Felix tried to kill himself in order to frame Tara. They went to go ask Felix. He was missing from his hospital room. Felix snuck out of the hospital, and he went to somewhere off the grid.

The team spoke to Felix's daughter, Arlene. She said her father hasn't gambled in a while. She herself was married to a gambler and her husband helped her dad get into GA. She also saw the supposed text messages to the hitman. She said her father never wrote like that. She saw them messages from her dad and it shows that Felix still writes everything down. He even ends his sentences in periods. The message to the hitman wasn't like that. It showed emojis and short sentences. Someone used their access to Felix's phone to set up a murder for hire. There was someone that was trying to kill Felix.

The team went looking for him. They found out he checked himself into a motel off of the side of a train track and so they went there only to find a bloody room. The team believed that whoever that trying to kill Felix had found him before they could. They tested the blood in the motel room and it wasn't Felix's. It actually belonged to his son-in-law. Victor has been gambling. He owed Olev fifty grand. He was hoping to kill Felix because Arlene was the sole benefactor to Felix's life insurance. And he tried to kill Felix again at the motel because Felix texted Victor where he was staying to reassure Arlene he was safe.

Victor was arrested for attempted murder. He was going to get divorced. But Felix was found safe and alive only he and Tara weren't getting back together. They had another fight and they both realize they're better off alone.

Turkey Trot

Season 20
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Season Episode: 8

Originally aired: Monday November 21, 2022
Writer: Diona Reasonover, Scott Williams
Director: Lionel Coleman
Show Stars: Sean Murray (NCIS Senior Special Agent Timothy McGee), Wilmer Valderrama (NCIS Special Agent Nick Torres), Katrina Law (NCIS Special Agent Jessica Knight), Brian Dietzen (Chief Medical Examiner Jimmy Palmer), Diona Reasonover (Forensic Scientist Kasie Hines), David McCallum (NCIS Historian Donald Mallard), Rocky Carroll (NCIS Director Leon Vance), Gary Cole (FBI Special Agent Alden Park)
Guest Stars: Lilan Bowden (Robin Knight), David Blue (Charlie Samuels), Gregg Binkley (Bob Stivers), Gillian White (Navy Rear Admiral Martha Stock), Michael Anthony Perez (Pete the Building Manager), Taryn Kelly (Navy Lieutenant Sara Giles)
Production Code: 20008
Summary: After an unknown shooter causes chaos at an annual Thanksgiving 5K, time is of the essence for the NCIS team to find the culprit. Also, Kasie joins Knight for Thanksgiving lunch at Knight's sister's house.



A navy admiral has a stalker. It was Admiral Stock. She has this crazed stalker following her around everywhere. This man even followed her to a marathon for charity that was run by the Navy. The guy showed up wearing an NCIS hat and he falsely identified himself as a federal agent to try and get close to Admiral Stock, but the real NCIS agents stopped him before he could approach her. They asked the guy where he was going. He was searched for weapons. They didn't find any on him and they made sure to

identify themselves as the real NCIS agents. They were there for the run to provide additional backup. And they were all in plain clothes because they wanted to blend in with the crowd.

It was just this guy who was wearing NCIS merch. That's what alerted the real agents and two of them were still talking to the guy when an explosion went off by the podium. There was just one person injured in the explosion. The victim was Lieutenant Sarah Giles. She was an aide to the Admiral. She survived the explosion. She first had to have surgery and it was a miracle that no one else was hurt. Everyone initially thought the explosion was a bomb. They asked the stalker about it. Poor Bob had no clue what they were talking about. He was incredibly obsessed with Admiral Stock. He denied ever wanting to hurt her. And he was telling the truth when he said he wasn't involved in the explosion.

The explosion hadn't been a bomb. It was a shooting. Someone was shooting at the people near the stage and it accidentally hit a propane tank and it caused an explosion. Bob couldn't have done that. He was with the NCIS agents when the shooter hit the tank. He was also trying to take photos of the admiral at the time. One of his photos actually captured the shooter. NCIS had an actual photo of the shooter. They were using facial recognition to identify him. Except they didn't need it. The shooter was never after the Admiral. He was always after Special Agent

Knight. Knight was near the stage when the explosion happened. And Knight went on to have dinner with her sister when she was introduced to the shooter.

Not that she knew he was the shooter at the time.

His name is Charlie. He was Knight's sister's boyfriend. Knight and her sister Robin don't get along. They tend to ignore each other only Robin called out of the blue saying she had a surprise. She rented a place near Knight. She wanted her sister to come over for Thanksgiving and see the surprise. Which turned out to be a two-for-one. Robin was now an energy healer. She was also now dating Charlie. It's serious. So serious that Robin wanted to introduce him to his family. Robin hasn't met Charlie's family yet. She first wanted to introduce him to her sister. And even as they were worrying signs that they didn't know each other too well, Robin still announced their engagement.

Robin barely knows the guy. She didn't know he grew up in New York. She didn't know that his brother was in the military and that he was dead because he died during a hostage negotiation run by Knight. Neither Robin nor Knight knew he was dangerous until he kept asking Knight about her job. Knight had brought along Kasie to defuse the tension between her and her sister. Kasie kept trying to bring the conversation around to a safe subject. Only Charlie never took the hints. He kept asking Knight has she ever lost someone on the job. She didn't want to talk about it and that's when he pulled his gun.

Charlie took all three women hostage. They couldn't even call for help on their phones. Charlie had collected the phones earlier in the day and he put them in water. They had no way of calling for help and so they decided to give Charlie what he wanted — a platform. Charlie got to talk about getting justice. He wanted to kill Knight because she failed to talk his brother down a bridge. His brother killed himself. He was dealing with depression and he wanted a way out. Knight tried to talk him down. She tried to get him off the bridge. Nothing worked. Charlie's brother Joe was in too much pain.

Knight remembered Joe. She even has his initials engraved on her watch. She has the initials of everyone she failed to save engraved on that watch and she showed it to Charlie. Charlie could have desisted at that point, but he was still too angry. He still wanted someone to blame for his only surviving family member leaving him. He began shooting at Robin as a way of hurting Knight when the rest of NCIS showed up. McGee, Parker, and Torres had continued their investigation into the shooter. They identified him as Charles Saunders. They found out he never served. They found out his brother killed himself. And that Knight was the lead on the case.

They then tried to get in touch with Knight, failed, and then set about tracking her down. They showed up right around the time that Charlie was pointing a gun at his own head and Knight wrestled it away from him. Everyone was safe. Charlie was going to prison. But Knight and her sister bonded throughout their experience. And they went on to have Thanksgiving dinner together.

Higher Education

Season 20
Episode Number: 444
Season Episode: 9

Originally aired: Monday December 05, 2022
Writer: Katherine Beattie
Director: Claudia Yarmy
Show Stars: Sean Murray (NCIS Senior Special Agent Timothy McGee), Wilmer Valderrama (NCIS Special Agent Nick Torres), Katrina Law (NCIS Special Agent Jessica Knight), Brian Dietzen (Chief Medical Examiner Jimmy Palmer), Diona Reasonover (Forensic Scientist Kasie Hines), David McCallum (NCIS Historian Donald Mallard), Rocky Carroll (NCIS Director Leon Vance), Gary Cole (FBI Special Agent Alden Park)
Guest Stars: Margo Harshman (Delilah Fielding), Adam Cropper (Jared Clarkson), Juliette Goglia (Evelyn Shaw), Zachary S. Williams (Logan Kennedy), Patrick Luwis (Mike), Clare Gillies (Christine), Jaclyn Aimee (Esme), Jesse Conrad (William Watson)
Production Code: 20009
Summary: NCIS investigates the death of a college student who was killed while running across the street and had connections to McGee's wife, Delilah.



McGee has written a novel under the pen name Thom E. Gemcity with the lead character named Agent Tibbs. The team gets called to investigate the man hit by the vehicle, Midshipman William Watson. William should have been at NROTC, but was suffering from heat stroke in the middle of winter. McGee has a fanboy moment when he spots William's Louis Vuitton Trainers in his favorite color.

While watching a surveillance video of an alleyway where William was spotted earlier in the day, McGee watches his

wife, Delilah, have a clandestine meeting with William. McGee is shocked and concerned and begins calling Delilah, who doesn't answer. Delilah is busy teaching a class at the same school that William went to.

Parker and McGee head to the university to ask Delilah some questions about William. When McGee tells Delilah that William passed away after being poisoned with MDMA, Delilah is determined to help answer any questions involving William's death.

Torres and Knight head to the fraternity that Will was pledging into. Torres searches Will's room and finds a hidden laptop inside his mattress. Hines investigates the contents of Will's laptop and finds that he developed a powerful Cipher. Will has developed a digital skeleton key that can bypass any government-encrypted security program.

Everyone around the office is very nervous that Delilah was involved. Delilah and McGee start bickering because of all the tension and suspicion. Hines explains that William made a copy of the key and downloaded it on a flash drive. Will's keys that have the flash drive on them were wiped down clean with bleach and the copy is missing.

Knight and Torres question one of the frat brothers whose shirt is covered in bleach. He claims to be innocent and tells them that they need to look at Jared. The team stakes out the frat house

looking for Jared. When Jared spots the NCIS Agents, he takes off running down the street. A van marked Molly's Mobile Grooming pulls up next to Jared and lets him in before they escape down the street. Parker recognizes the van and knows it is used for FBI undercover operations. Jared is an undercover FBI Agent!

The FBI tells Director Vance that Will was recruited by Belarus and is part of a spy ring. The team figures out that Delilah's TA, Evelyn, was William's handler but didn't kill him. Evelyn has an airtight alibi because she was in the library at the time when William was poisoned. Delilah remembers that Logan, one of Will's frat brothers, took her class but dropped right out. Logan admits he stole the flash drive to change his grades.

Too Many Cooks (1)

Season 20
Episode Number: 445
Season Episode: 10

Originally aired: Monday January 09, 2023
Writer: Christopher J. Waild
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Guest Stars: Chris O'Donnell (Special Agent "G" Callen), LL Cool J (Special Agent Sam Hanna), Vanessa Lachey (NCIS Special Agent Jane Tennant), Noah Mills (Special Agent Jesse Boone), Robert Picardo (Retired Marine Gunnery Sergeant Dale Harding), Stephanie Hodge (Greta Ford), Brianna Reed (Libby), Tim Rock (FLETC Instructor Cambria), Kevin Changaris (Simon Williams), Joe Chambrello (Kidnapper)
Production Code: 20010
Summary: NCIS agents from Washington, D.C., Los Angeles, and Hawai'i are all in D.C. to attend the retirement party of a beloved Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) professor, finding themselves jointly investigating his shocking suicide.



Professor Dale Harding has trained several NCIS Special Agents in his long career at FLET-C. He was known as tough but fair and most of his students walked away with a lot of respect for him. All except for Torres that is. Torres didn't really care for the guy.

He still got things for Harding retirement party. Only he complained about it the whole way. He was still complaining when the news came in. Professor Harding died of an apparent suicide. Director Vance didn't want to believe it of the man

because he had a great deal of respect for Harding and so he assigned NCIS to investigate Harding's death.

Special Agent in Charge in Tenant was visiting from Hawaii with one of her agents when she appointed herself to the case. Which was a problem because Parker and his team were also working the case although Parker was willing to work with Tennant and Boone. He recognized the chain of command.

Tennant was his superior and so he agreed to work with her. He felt much differently about Special Agents Callen and Hana. Those two also came for the professor's retirement party. They heard about his suicide and raced to the scene where they were the first to arrive and they appointed themselves in charge.

They even cleared the scene before Parker could arrive. Jimmy was wheeling out the body when everyone else finally arrived on the scene and so Parker agreed to work with Callen and Hana as a means of moving the ball in the investigation. Only Callen and Hana ruled it a suicide. Everyone later agreed that Harding killed himself.

They got the autopsy. The autopsy prove the theory. He really did kill himself. They just didn't know why he killed himself. He was retiring from FLET-C. He was cheerful and happy mere moments before he killed himself and he had a ticket to Mexico. It simply didn't make sense why a man with everything to live for will kill himself now.

Harding was with his neighbor a couple of minutes before he did it. She said he was in a good mood. She also said that he got a call on his cell phone and that was odd because none of the NCIS teams could find Harding's cell phone. It vanished after he killed himself. Harding also did his best to delete files from his computer before he died. These deletes files were in fact classified files that were stolen off a Pentagon server.

The Pentagon didn't even know they were missing until Kasie began asking about them once she saw them deleted from Harding's computer. The Pentagon was now in overdrive to deny NCIS the access they need to read those files, but those files could very well help with the case.

Harding did a lot of suspicious things before he died. He changed his tickets from Mexico to Hawaii. He didn't go into work on his last day. He even was going to skip his own retirement party without telling a soul where he was. There were some burn marks and gunshot wounds on his body that also didn't make sense. He was never injured when he was a Marine. It was not in his official file. He must have gotten those wounds doing something off the books. This coupled with those stolen files made everyone question if they really knew him. Was he a good guy? The sever theft was traced back to McGee's credentials and so Callen and Hana interrogated him.

It was them or let DOD interrogate him. Director Vance chose to keep this in house. Callen and Hana interrogated McGee and they learned that he left his phone unlocked when he had lunch with Harding a week ago. Harding was looking at photos of his kids. McGee excused himself to use the bathroom. He was gone only a couple of minutes and in that time his professor stole his login information. Neither McGee nor the rest of them knew why Harding wanted access to those files. He just did. He took them. And with the Pentagon being a problem, the team had to find a way around them in order to read those files.

One of the things they did was visit Harding's office at FLET-C. They found out that Harding usually used floppy disks for work and so hacking the Pentagon seemed a little bit beyond his reach. Harding hid a picture of Gibbs's cabin inside one of those floppy disks. There was also a message on there that send "read the files". It was Hana that was the first to wondered if Harding had hidden a set of those files at the cabin. NCIS Agents went to the cabin. They spotted a man escaping the cabin on a motorcycle and they shot at him and they hit his cell phone which fell out of his pocket. But it wasn't his cell phone. It was Harding's cell phone.

Harding put an app on his phone to record every conversation. So, it caught the last conversation he had before he died. Harding was contacted by a known terrorist by the name of Simon Williams and Williams said Harding's plan to hide the files from him weren't going to work. He was going to come and take them personally. And so Harding killed himself to keep these classified files out of the hands of a terrorist.

And when the agents finally caught the man on the motorcycle, he claimed he was Simon Williams when he wasn't. He was too young to be him. He also said "We're all Simon Williams". It turns out Simon Williams really wanted those files and he sent someone after them. The guy later died, but it turns out Harding had history with the real Simon Williams. Williams was a trainee at FLET-C when Harding cut him from the program because he said he had lone wolf tendencies. Kind of like what he told Torres a week before he was supposed to graduate. And that's why Torres didn't like Harding.

And everyone was supposed to have grabbed dinner after a short break, but Jimmy and Tenant were abducted before that could happen.

The second part of the episode will be aired as *NCIS: Hawai'i* episode S02E10 titled *Deep Fake*.

Bridges

Season 20
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Season Episode: 11

Originally aired: Monday January 16, 2023
Writer: Chad Gomez Creasey
Director: Lionel Coleman
Show Stars: Sean Murray (NCIS Senior Special Agent Timothy McGee), Wilmer Valderrama (NCIS Special Agent Nick Torres), Katrina Law (NCIS Special Agent Jessica Knight), Brian Dietzen (Chief Medical Examiner Jimmy Palmer), Diona Reasonover (Forensic Scientist Kasie Hines), David McCallum (NCIS Historian Donald Mallard), Rocky Carroll (NCIS Director Leon Vance), Gary Cole (FBI Special Agent Alden Park)
Guest Stars: Austin Cauldwell (Travis Jacobs), Jason Manuel Olazabal (Todd Mercer), Jason MacDonald (John Watts), Sadie Stratton (Renee Watts), Brenda Kate (Sheila), Shane Blades (Sheila's Husband), Rachel Ticotin (Joy Aaronson), Nicole Rainteau (Kaytlynn), Leah Grosjean (Navy Ensign Ashley Watts), Kathryn Melton (Cleaning Lady), Warren Sweeney (Priest)
Production Code: 20011
Summary: Parker discovers he's a victim of identity theft while investigating the unusual murder of a Navy ensign. Also, Knight and Jimmy face hurdles in their relationship as their connection heightens.



Navy Ensign Ashley Watts was found dead in a motel room. She lived not that far from the motel. McGee wondered why she wouldn't go to such a place when she lives nearby and Parker told him that there was only one reason why a motel would be needed.

The victim was meeting up with a lover. Someone she couldn't bring home. Someone she probably couldn't be seen with. Parker assumed this person might be married and that his wife found out about Ashley. It could explain why she

was murdered in a motel room.

Only McGee looked into who booked the room. The name that popped up was Parker's. It was Parker's name and his credit card that was used to book the room and no one knew why. Parker had never met Ashley before. Luckily, Parker has an alibi on the night of the murder.

He also realized, thanks to this, that someone stole his identity. He had to contact his accountant. He had to freeze all of his accounts. He also had to give Kasie permission to go digging through his digital life and find out who was committing identity theft.

Ashley might even have known about this identity theft. She was an accountant herself for the Navy. She was universally liked and respected at the job. Ashley was a foster kid for a while until she got adopted as a teenager. She was her parents' whole world.

She was their only child and they were so proud of her. When the parents were asked about Ashley's private life, they told NCIS that she was seeing someone. His name was Travis Jacobs. He lived in Virginia. Ashley had roommates. They could have been meeting up at the motel trying to get some measure of privacy.

Except Travis didn't come forward after Ashley died. The team also looked into him and there was no Travis Jacobs. They were able to get a picture of him and with the help of facial rec, they identified him as Ryan Aaronson. He was the son of Joy Aaronson who was also known as Joy Sullivan.

She was Parker's, first love. They were briefly together when they were kids and Parker hasn't seen her in years. She might have told her son about him because someone must have known him well enough to get around his security questions on all of his accounts.

His identity was just stolen. Someone used his information to log into the Department of Defense's mainframe. They accessed information on several Navy servicemen and women. Ashley's information was one of them. NCIS assumed that Ashley was Ryan's mark. He was trying to steal her identity. So, they went looking for Ryan. They checked his mom's place. Joy punched Parker the second she saw him and that's when the truth came out. Joy's parents made the whole family move out of Philly because they wanted to get Joy away from the young Parker.

He was a troublemaker back in the day. Joy was so angry with him that she refused to write back to him or to return any of the letters he sent until he eventually gave up on writing her. But she kept the letters. She put them in a box and once she learned her son was in trouble — she went looking for that box. It later proved to be empty. Her son had stolen the letters to get information on Parker and to steal Parker's identity. Joy said that her ex-husband's crime partner might be involved as well. Joy's ex-husband was in prison for pulling off several petty cons. And Ryan was following in his footsteps.

Ryan started to work with a man named Todd. They targeted the Navy. They pretended to be CIA recruiters to get Ashley to add their account to the official system and they get a check from the Navy. According to Todd, something went wrong. Ashley was keeping secrets. Ryan also made the mistake of falling in love with her. Ryan wanted to back out of the con the moment he fell for Ashley. He came clean to her. She forgave him. They were even trying to undo the system hack. They wanted to start over together.

Once Ryan was later found hiding at his mother's place, Parker was able to arrest him and bring him in for questioning. Ryan came clean by trying to con Ashley. He also said he fell in love with her and that she was more important than the con. He told them about trying to undo what they did. He even mentioned that Ashley started to hide things from him. Which he didn't understand until he found her dead in the motel room. Ryan thought he would get blamed for her death and so he ran. Only Todd was telling the truth. Ashley was keeping secrets.

They tracked Ashley in her final hours back to a storage unit. There was a hidden compartment inside where Ashley was hiding guns, money, and several passports under different names. Ashley wasn't some poor foster kid that landed a good home. She was a foreign spy. Someone was sent to infiltrate the Navy and she must have thought she got lucky when Ryan pretended to be the CIA. But then she fell in love with him. Like actually fell in love. He fell in love with her too. They were both willing to turn their backs on everything else to be together and Ashley was killed because of that.

Parker negotiated a deal with Ryan in which they used Ryan to lure out Ashley's killer. He gets to escape the prison that way and so he agreed to deal and he helped NCIS figure out that Ashley's adoptive parents were actually her Russian handlers. And so those two got arrested for murder as well as espionage.

And the whole thing finally gave Parker the chance to make his move on Joy. She was the one that got away and he still carries a torch for her.

Big Rig

Season 20
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Season Episode: 12

Originally aired: Monday January 23, 2023
Writer: Marco Schnabel
Director: Rocky Carroll
Show Stars: Sean Murray (NCIS Senior Special Agent Timothy McGee), Wilmer Valderrama (NCIS Special Agent Nick Torres), Katrina Law (NCIS Special Agent Jessica Knight), Brian Dietzen (Chief Medical Examiner Jimmy Palmer), Diona Reasonover (Forensic Scientist Kasie Hines), David McCallum (NCIS Historian Donald Mallard), Rocky Carroll (NCIS Director Leon Vance), Gary Cole (FBI Special Agent Alden Park)
Guest Stars: Zane Holtz (NCIS Special Agent Dale Sawyer), David Meunier (Wade Cutler), Susan Diol (Doris Sawyer), Aline Elasmr (Annie Hankamer), Kaipo Schwab (FBI Assistant Special Agent in Charge Liam McCullers), Nancy Youngblut (Joanna "Mama Jo" Dalton), Andy Marques (Police-man), Rahvaunia L. Johnson (Fire Captain), Alex Mortensen (Emmet)
Production Code: 20012
Summary: When an old pal of Torres' comes to him — disheveled and bloodied — for guidance amid a undercover FBI operation and then disappears, NCIS helps track him down. McGee prepares to be a contestant on a popular game show.



An old frenemy of Torres's approached one night outside of the diner. It was NCIS Special Agent Dale Sawyer. He and Torres used to always butt heads a lot. They looked for opportunities to fight with each and so it was surprising that Sawyer would reach out to him of all people.

Sawyer was pretty messed up that night. He was on edge. He was worried about his cover. He was doing an undercover op with the FBI. He was supposed to live as two different people and it was getting to him. He was cracking under the pressure when he approached Torres. Torres said that maybe he should be

pulled from the assignment. And Sawyer said he's done and seen too much to let the case collapse without him.

Sawyer told Torres to forget it. He left him outside of the diner and the whole thing didn't sit right with Torres. Torres later tried to contact the FBI about it. They said only Sawyer's handler knew where he was. Torres couldn't get the handler's information, but he took what he learned from that one conversation to investigate where Sawyer might be.

Sawyer mentioned the trains were keeping him up at night. Torres started investigating apartments near the train stations the next morning. He was looking into where Sawyer might be when they got a call about a body.

A body was found in the trunk of a burnt out car. It was near the train station. It was too burned up to be identifiable at first glance. Sawyer did look antsy when Torres last saw him and so Torres was worried it was Sawyer that was in the trunk. Only Jimmy performed an autopsy on

the body. It wasn't Sawyer. It was an FBI Agent. FBI Special Agent Greg Parlamis was undercover with Sawyer. They were posing as truckers. They went dark three weeks ago and their handler hasn't heard anything from them. And then this happens.

The FBI were getting worried about them. They were figuring out what to do when Parlamis's body showed up and they naturally threw dirt on Sawyer. To them, the NCIS Agent had to be the reason why the op went bad. The FBI said Sawyer was either dead or he was hiding.

They especially started to point the blame when they heard that Sawyer reached out to Torres and might have blown his cover. Torres actually grew upset with the FBI were disregarding Sawyer's safety. He told them it was their responsibility to keep those men safe and that they failed the job.

The FBI then reminded Torres that they didn't want Sawyer originally. They first approached Torres. But Torres was early in his sobriety. He wanted to take time to focus on himself and so he passed. The FBI next offered for Sawyer. Only Sawyer accepted. Sawyer has a reputation for being smug and arrogant. Everyone assumed he took the offer because he wanted to prove how great it was at it and unfortunately it looks like something went wrong. The gun that was used on Parlamis was actually Sawyer's service weapon.

The FBI believed Sawyer killed his partner because he gotten in over his head. NCIS thought differently. They looked into the case. Some truckers were believed to be involved in heists. There was one obvious suspect named Wade Cutler. Cutler called in sick every day of the heists. He likes to hang out at a known trucker bar called "Triple Deuce". The bar was known for being loud and for having a mechanical bull that makes animal noises. The last time that Sawyer called his mom — she said she heard shouting and what sounded like a barn.

Torres went to the bar. He pretended to be a trucker. He butt heads with another trucker and got into a fight. Only Sawyer broke it up by pulling a gun on Torres. Torres was able to talk his way out of trouble. He even got to meet Cutler. He charmed him. He ended up successfully infiltrating Cutler's crew, but it also gave him a chance to talk one on one to Sawyer. Sawyer did kill Parlamis. Parlamis was stealing money from Cutler. Sawyer found out about it and confronted him. And Parlamis went for his gun first.

Sawyer said he had to kill him. It was self-defense. He killed him and he told Cutler he killed him because Parlamis was actually a cop and a rat and so it was Cutler's idea to burn the body like he did. Cutler wanted to send a message though the message ended up saying that Sawyer was in over his head. Sawyer went to go see Torres on the night he killed Parlamis. His head was all turned around. He just needed to talk to someone and that someone was Torres. Torres tried to pull Sawyer out of the op. It was Sawyer that refused.

Sawyer said it was personal. He found out Cutler's crew was dealing in the same drugs that killed his sister and that's why he wants to see the case through to finishing them, but someone recognized Torres as a cop. They then pointed a finger at Sawyer for vouching for Torres. And so the both of them were about to get killed when the rest of NCIS showed up and helped them arrest the whole crew.

Sawyer got to see through his case and it ultimately brought him closer to Torres.

And McGee was supposed to take part in a game show, but it got cancelled at the last minute while they open an investigation into another contestant on an impossible winning streak.

Evil Eye

Season 20
Episode Number: 448
Season Episode: 13

Originally aired: Monday February 06, 2023
Writer: Brendan Fehily, Kimberly-Rose Wolter
Director: Michael Zinberg
Show Stars: Sean Murray (NCIS Senior Special Agent Timothy McGee), Wilmer Valderrama (NCIS Special Agent Nick Torres), Katrina Law (NCIS Special Agent Jessica Knight), Brian Dietzen (Chief Medical Examiner Jimmy Palmer), Diona Reasonover (Forensic Scientist Kasie Hines), David McCallum (NCIS Historian Donald Mallard), Rocky Carroll (NCIS Director Leon Vance), Gary Cole (FBI Special Agent Alden Park)
Guest Stars: Tania Raymonde (Chloe Marlene), Andrew Elvis Miller (Sam Novak), Christy St. John (Lieutenant Renee Harlan), Roman Arabia (Volunteer), Alexander Harris (Museum Docent Sal), Maxwell Almono (John Harlan), Conisha Wade (Movie Director), Amadeo Fusca (Gun Smugler), Eli Hernandez (Master-at-Arms)
Production Code: 20013
Summary: In preparation for a role, a world-renowned actress shadows the NCIS team as they investigate a decapitation case.



The team was brought in after someone sent a severed head to a Navy Lieutenant. They even brought along their ride to the scene. Special Agent Knight was ordered by Director Vance himself to let a famous actress watch her in action and so Chloe Marlene went with them to the scene.

Chloe wanted to get insight into an NCIS REACT Agent's mindset because she was going to play one in a film. The Navy also was hoping that the film becomes a great recruitment video for them and yet allowing Chloe to see everything was probably a mistake. She almost got blown up on Day 1. And that's in addition

to her seeing that severed head.

The delivery was actually made by a robot delivery service. The robot followed Lieutenant Renee Harlan around until she agreed to accept the delivery and that's when she saw the head. But the killer using a robot delivery service was great in terms of the case.

Those items were usually recorded before they were put in the box so the company could access the video only the killer thought of that. He planted a bomb in the device that was pressure sensitive. The bomb went off moments after the head was removed. And it was Knight that saw the timer go off.

She was forced to push the robot into the water to minimize damage. Oddly Chloe was very calm about being almost blown up. She said that her acting coach had taught her to disassociate. She made herself believe that this was all a movie and that the bomb and head had been props.

It helped her get through the case. Or it did until the sun went down. It's hard to be confident in the dead of night when no one else was around. Chloe did her best to push through it and unfortunately not long after she did this came got more complicated.

Kasie was able to identify the victim. His name was Roscoe Sanchez. He thankfully had a pacemaker and nowadays those things were equipped with a GPS tracker. Kasie used that to get a location on the rest of Sanchez's remains. The NCIS Agents went to that location expecting to find their killer.

They ended up finding a guillotine as well as the severed heads of two other victims. Their killer was a serial killer. The only thing all the victims had in common was that they had two different colored eyes. They had heterochromia.

Remember that lieutenant that got sent the bomb? Renee was married to a man with heterochromia. It seems that people with the condition were usually killed in the medieval days for possibly being possessed and the wives were also killed if they were pregnant because the condition is hereditary. That's what the killer was trying to do by sending that bomb to Renee. She was pregnant. The killer couldn't decapitate a baby in the womb and so he was trying to kill the mother to stop the child from being born. And once the team realized this, they tried to warn Renee and her husband.

Though they were sadly too late in doing so. They arrived at Renee's home to find out someone had already broken in and had abducted the couple. The couple had tried to put up a fight. It just hadn't been enough. They were gone and the team was looking for them by trying to find their killer. The last part wasn't hard because Sam Novak wanted to be found. Novak was proud to have killed off a bunch of people with the same condition. He thought he was saving the world by removing evil. He didn't care about their lives or that they were good people. Or even that they were harmless to him.

He considered a similar chance of different color eyes as being a stand-in for the evil eye. Novak was quickly found thanks to his craziness and he quickly confessed to being the killer. The only thing he didn't want to do was to tell them where Renee and her husband were. He also alluded to them running out of time and that indicated he planted another bomb. NCIS tried to get him to tell them where they were, but he refused. He said he'd only tell Chloe. He saw her on the video delivery service. He knew she was connected to the case and he wanted to meet a celebrity. And so NCIS asked Chloe to do them this huge favor.

They asked her to talk to Novak. Only Chloe had been nervous about it. She was an actress. She could screw up at her job and do another take and she couldn't do that here. Not in this situation. She still agreed to go through with it because she thought she was making a difference, but Novak was a sociopath that enjoyed toying with her. He bragged about knowing where her mother was. He frightened her by saying NCIS didn't have a single piece of evidence on him and that he could get out of there whenever he wanted. And so she left the room in tears because she was that scared of him.

Chloe later convinced him to return to the room. NCIS came up with a game plan. They figured out how to manipulate Novak and he revealed to him why he was killing those people. He has heterochromia. He knew himself as evil and he thought everyone else with the condition must be the same. But he revealed where he thought the bodies of his victims were because they convinced him that time ran out. And that's how the team was able to save the Harlans before the bomb went off.

The Harlans were safe.

Novak will never see the light of day again.

Chloe also knew now how to play her character and Torres got to play a dead body in the film.

Old Wounds

Season 20
Episode Number: 449
Season Episode: 14

Originally aired: Monday February 13, 2023
Writer: Brian Dietzen, Scott Williams
Director: Diana Valentine
Show Stars: Sean Murray (NCIS Senior Special Agent Timothy McGee), Wilmer Valderrama (NCIS Special Agent Nick Torres), Katrina Law (NCIS Special Agent Jessica Knight), Brian Dietzen (Chief Medical Examiner Jimmy Palmer), Diona Reasonover (Forensic Scientist Kasie Hines), David McCallum (NCIS Historian Donald Mallard), Rocky Carroll (NCIS Director Leon Vance), Gary Cole (FBI Special Agent Alden Park)
Guest Stars: Michael Patrick Thornton (Jeremy Brighton), Bill Dawes (Clayton Wills), Benjamin Barrett (Theo Benes), Deanne Lauvin (Rebecca Haswell), Dean Wil (Francis)
Production Code: 20014
Summary: Parker grapples with his emotions when a con man from his past turns up as a murder suspect.



Jimmy went into tonight's episode wanting an assistant. He himself was Ducky's assistant for years back when Ducky was the Medical Examiner. Now that he wants one for himself to help with the workload, he kept getting denied.

Jimmy was such a nice guy that he didn't ask why he was getting denied. He was just going to let it go and it had actually been Parker who pushed him to confront the director about this. They went to the boss. They asked him for an assistant for Jimmy and that's when they got told

the whole story. Kasie had a recent trial run with two potential assistants and neither worked out.

Those people only worked for her for a day. They still somehow got severance packages because of a glitch in the system and so that's why there wasn't a budget for an assistant for Jimmy right now. Director Vance said it wouldn't be a permanent thing.

They just needed time to fix the glitch and Jimmy will get an assistant at a later date. Which Parker thought was unfair. If a call hadn't come in about a new case, Parker would still be in the director's office trying to bribe him with pastries. And so Parker went into this new case being his usual self.

Very zen. Very calm.

Then there was a shift. Parker and the others were called to a scene of a robbery/homicide. The victim was Naval Ensign Clyde Sims. He was transporting drugs that were taken during a raid and someone killed him in order to get their hands on his supply. Some of the drugs fell out. The team took a look at them and they had no clue what that "W" stood for. Not until Parker took a look at them himself. Parker saw that and he stormed off. He went dark on his team. He returned to work the next morning with an attitude.

Parker snapped at everybody. Director Vance had to call him off Kasie because Kasie wasn't moving fast enough for him and that's when he told everyone what that "W" stood for. It stood

for Wills. Clayton Wills to be specific. He was a big-time drug lord that crippled Parker's partner back when he was working in the FBI. Parker has an obsession with finally taking down Wills and he wasn't going to let anything get in the way of that. He even showed up to work without pastries. He wanted Wills and he basically ordered his team around like they were dogs to get the man.

Unusual Suspects

Season 20
Episode Number: 450
Season Episode: 15

Originally aired: Monday February 27, 2023
Writer: Katherine Beattie
Director: James Whitmore Jr.
Show Stars: Sean Murray (NCIS Senior Special Agent Timothy McGee), Wilmer Valderrama (NCIS Special Agent Nick Torres), Katrina Law (NCIS Special Agent Jessica Knight), Brian Dietzen (Chief Medical Examiner Jimmy Palmer), Diona Reasonover (Forensic Scientist Kasie Hines), David McCallum (NCIS Historian Donald Mallard), Rocky Carroll (NCIS Director Leon Vance), Gary Cole (FBI Special Agent Alden Park)
Guest Stars: Francis X. McCarthy (Roman Parker), Jean St. James (Marilyn Davis), Alan Rachins (Bud), Jonathan Ohye (Nigel Yang), Annalisa Cochrane (Lisa Swenson), Aixa Clemente (Nancy), Jody Jaress (Leora), Martin Kildare (Mr. Sharp), Tyler Perez (Navy P.O. First Class Sam Vega), Sydney Agudong (Kelly), Cameron Wong (Tyler), Lisa Costanza (Landlord), Rufino Romero (Nurse)
Production Code: 20015
Summary: Parker's dad, who is temporarily living with him, assists the team in their investigation. NCIS investigates the death of a ride-share driver who was found after a car accident.



The episode begins with Petty Officer First Class Sam Vega who was found dead from an apparent car accident. There were no signs that he tried to slow down or that he was wearing a seatbelt. NCIS caught this case and they initially thought Sam might have tried to kill himself. Only Jimmy proved that wasn't the case when he found a puncture wound in Sam's neck. Sam had been dosed before his "accident". There were later evidence indicating that someone used a brick to

way down the pedal and so this accident was in fact murder. Sam had been murdered. And that seemed hard to believe at first because Sam didn't have any clear enemies.

Sam seems to have lived under the radar. He didn't make enemies at work. He also had a side job as a ride share driver and so odds are he met with someone dangerous after picking them up, but NCIS did check his home. They found it vandalized. Someone had written in blood the word "liar" on Sam's wall. They also broke literally everything possible in that one apartment. NCIS tested the blood. It wasn't Sam's. It might have been Lisa's. Lisa was Sam's ex-girlfriend. They recently broke up because of something Sam allegedly did. And Lisa started sending him threatening texts right after this breakup.

NCIS brought Lisa in for questioning. She revealed it was her blood that she wrote the word "liar" in. She said she did that after she went to Sam's apartment and she found herself alone with his laptop. Lisa naturally went snooping through his emails until she found several of them addressed to Marilyn. Sam wrote about missing Marilyn. He said he couldn't wait to see her. Which set off Lisa because she hadn't seen Sam all that much since he came back from deployment and so she assumed he was cheating on her.

Lisa however claims not to have killed Sam. She hadn't known he was dead when she first began talking to NCIS. They had to break the news to her. But Lisa was quick to point blame. She started talking about how much Sam loved her. She even claimed that Marilyn must have known that Sam would never leave her and that's why this Marilyn killed him. NCIS had to consider that angle in spite of how farfetched it might sound. They looked into Marilyn and they found out she wasn't having an affair with Sam.

Marilyn was an elderly woman in her eighties. She hired Sam to help out around her rooms at the retirement home. They met on an app called Grand Bubby. Sam hadn't told his girlfriend he was picking up odds jobs because then he would have to explain his online gambling. Sam was a gambling addict. He was losing a lot of money very fast. He started doing the odd jobs to help pay them off only that hadn't been enough for him. Sam started doing Grand Bubby because the app was helping young people fleece the elderly.

The app connects young people with the elderly. Sam has gotten matched up at least four times before Marilyn and his former clients have all left for him money in their wills. He also always seemed to pick the ones that just got diagnosed with a terminal illness. Its likes he knew which ones to rob. This was on top of being paid twenty dollars an hour to spend time with these people. He was fleecing them and there was a chance that Sam was killed because he screwed over one of his victim's families.

NCIS were suspicious of the Grand Bubby app. The Grand Bubby app was set up at one specific retirement home and so Parker sent in a spy. Parker sent in his dad, Roman. Roman had gotten kicked out of his retirement home for flirting too much. He was driving all the women at his former community wild and they kicked him out to save the peace. Only Roman still held onto the charm. He went in wearing a wire and a comms piece. He quickly found women to flirt with and he was propositioned on day one by two different women.

It was all too much for Parker. He had Knight listen in on his dad while he followed the lead. He found out that Sam was in communication with the director of Sunshine Pines. He thought that must mean that the director was helping him and that wasn't the case at all. Sam may have been taking money from the elderly, but he was using that same money to reinvest with the community. He paid for upgrades. He paid for special classes for them. Sam also used his gambling problem to make a lot of money on the side and so he wasn't fleecing anyone. He was a genuinely a nice guy.

It was Marilyn who wasn't what she seemed. Marilyn's late husband was an art thief. She would befriend sailors on Grand Bubby and ask them to pick up packages for her knowing that Customs wouldn't check sailors. But Sam realized something was off. He knew the frame of a painting was a lot older than the painting it showed. He brought that up with Marilyn and Marilyn had her lover murder him. And this was all revealed after Torres decided to visit Marilyn because he thought the old lady might feel lonely without Sam and ended up catching her trying to sell the painting.

After Marilyn and her lover were arrested, Parker's dad chose to move fulltime into that retirement home. He liked the people there. Sam's renovations made it a great place to live and so Roman found a place for himself. It got him out of Parker's hair. And it made him appreciate Parker for taking him in like he did because not everyone's kids were that nice.

Butterfly Effect

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Guest Stars: Julianne Collins (Dorothy Quinlan), Brigid Brannagh (Senator Constance Miller), Sonny Valicenti (Nate Billings), Tina Huang (Captain Boggs), Al Rodrigo (Police Captain Martinez), Johnny Jay Lee (Petty Officer Sheehan), Dominic Pace (George Barlow), Jimmy Walker Jr. (Former Sgt. William Jolson), Greg Benson (Phillip Legrand)
Production Code: 20016
Summary: The NCIS team jumps into motion to investigate who is responsible for a potential bio terror attack at a strip mall parking garage. Also, Knight's father deals with a health scare while in Japan.



There was a possible bio terror attack at a Navy Recruitment Center. NCIS were called in to investigate. Parker and his team were told that whoever tried to enter the center or the connecting parking garage had lost consciousness.

There were two cops that went in there when they hadn't known about the danger and neither of them walked out on their own accord. The cops hadn't wanted to send any more of their people inside. It was up to NCIS to enter the area. They wore body suits and they helped as many

people get to a gurney as possible. And they also found out what had caused everyone to pass out.

Someone had left behind an abandoned cannister. The cannister must have held something truly serious because whatever was inside was enough to knock out everyone in a large parking garage and that was with ventilation. But ultimately everyone seemed on the road to recovery. They later came to at the hospital. There was nothing serious about their condition. The most they suffered from was a knock on the head when they passed out. It was the weirdest terrorist attack the team had ever seen.

Except they later learned this wasn't about terrorism. It was about good old fashion greed. The cannister was used to knock out everyone in the building. The people who set it off had wanted access codes as well as banking information of some people in the area. Most of these places belonged to the DC power players.

The ones who literally control policy. There was a lot of money at play with these people and that's why they were targeted. It wasn't about the Navy at all. And so NCIS became concerned for people that might have been exposed in the theft.

They began calling around to everyone whose information was exposed. McGee got a lot of people blaming him personally for what happened and there were quite a few of "I want to talk to your manager".

The rich and the famous have gotten used to controlling things. They demanded that NCIS capture these thieves and they hated going through the motions of changing their passwords. They probably used the same password for everything. McGee and others got DNA from that cannister. They knew they were looking for Phillip Legrand.

Legrand was wanted by the FBI. He was an expert thief and the knockout gas he used hadn't even belonged to him. He stole that too. NCIS began looking for Legrand. They also hadn't heard back from US Senator Constance Miller's people because she was flying back to the United States. But no one was answering at her house either. Miller has a live in housekeeper. NCIS went to her house and they found the housekeeper passed out on the floor from another cannister. And they came across Dorothy in a bodysuit.

Dorothy was one of the people they rescued from the parking garage. It turns out Dorothy was in fact Legrand's daughter and she was doing everything possible to steal from the senator because she was trying to rescue her father. Dorothy and her father steal from people. They make sure to take from the rich. They never hurt anyone. They also didn't do jobs for other people. They have a code. Only someone contacted Dorothy a couple of weeks back. They were trying to hire her and she turned down the job because of the code.

Then she returned to her camper to find the place ransacked and her father missing. She gets another mysterious text telling her to rob the senator's safe. They wanted a hard drive that was in there. Which didn't make sense to the senator because the only thing she has on that hard drive were a bunch of pictures. She has to travel a lot because of her job and she likes taking photos with people, but her passion was taking photos of baked goods. She loved eating baked goods around the world. And so the hard drive seemed harmless.

But someone wanted it enough to abduct Legrand. Dorothy was just trying to save her dad. Her story especially touched Special Agent Knight because Knight's father wasn't feeling well and somehow he ended up on a ventilator. He even needed surgery. Knight was going to fly to Japan to be with her dad when she saw how much pain Dorothy was in and she decided to stay on to help recover Dorothy's dad. There wasn't anything she could do to save her own father only she thought she could save Legrand.

They were going to give the kidnapper what he wanted. They were going to give him a copy of the hard drive to get Legrand back and they even pretended that Dorothy double crossed them because they suspected that she was being watched. Dorothy did everything she was supposed to. She went to the meeting place. She saw her dad beaten up. She handed over the hard drive and NCIS moved in to arrest the man behind it all. Another person that they rescued from the garage. He claimed his name was Nate Billings. Only that wasn't his name.

He was actually a Russian spy. He wanted the hard drive because the senator has a photo with herself and three other sleeper Russian spies that helped with her campaign. It all seemed very suspicious, but they couldn't ask Nate because State Department took him and they were working with Russia to send him back to his homeland. And so NCIS had to let it go.

And Jimmy surprisingly came through for his girlfriend. He talked to her dad's doctors. He was able to theorize what led to the initial infection and so he saved her dad's life. Something Knight was never going to forget.

Stranger in a Strange Land

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Guest Stars: Samer Salem (Mateen Jamaah), Anisha Adusumilli (Veeda Rajab), Patrick Cohen (Pastor Eddie Watkins), Elizabeth Bond (Karen Graham), Wida Karim (Mrs. Jamaah), Ian Stanley (Robert Whitlock)
Production Code: 20017
Summary: NCIS works to solve the murder of a Marine private who appears to have been killed for helping an Afghan refugee. Also, Jimmy navigates the pressure of parenting his teenage daughter, who is eager to go out on an unchaperoned group date.



Jimmy's daughter was growing up. Victoria was even going on her first group date. Or she was until Jimmy decided to throw a tantrum about it. He heard that his daughter was doing on a group date with her crush and he decided to cancel the whole event because he hadn't trusted the boys in the group. He especially didn't trust Austin. Austin was the boy that Vic couldn't stop talking about. She was only excited about the group date because she was hoping it would lead to an actual date with Austin.

Vic was so excited about that possibility that she accidentally spoke too loudly. Jimmy overheard her. He started to freak out that Vic was already using the word "date". He wanted to put a stop to it and so Special Agent Knight had to tell him that Vic was bound to date eventually. Just let her have this.

It wasn't a one on one date. It was a group date. It was the safest of all dates. Vic deserved the chance to grow up at her own pace. Not on Jimmy's. Jimmy probably would have said more if a new case hadn't come in.

Marine Private William Huxley had been murdered in his garage. He was stabbed in the neck with what appeared to be a kitchen knife and he slowly bled out.

Now, Bill didn't have family. He was never married and he didn't have kids. He used all of his spare time to either bake or cook. He would use his amazing baking skills to raise money for an Afghan refugee center. Bill did as much as he could to help out his former allies. It turns out Bill was leading an elite Marine force when he decided to go AWOL because he went back to Afghanistan.

Bill was trying to get as many allies out of Afghanistan as he could. He just couldn't save everyone. He eventually got demoted to line cook after he returned stateside because of the whole AWOL thing.

Only Bill still wanted to help as many people as he could. He started baking. He would take on baking jobs to raise money and he would funnel it right back into the Afghani center. Bill was practically a saint. It's a shame not everyone saw that. Bill got into quite a few fights before he died. He was fighting with Karen Graham.

The literal Karen was upset with him because she ran her own baking company. She was doing fine until Bill set himself up as a competitor. She accused Bill of taking all of her clients. She even yelled at him through his Ring doorbell except she wasn't the killer. She has an alibi for the murder.

She was with her boy toy at the time. Also, Bill got into a fight with Mateen Jamaah a few hours before he died. Mateen was an Afghani refugee. Bill had gotten him out of Afghanistan. He simply failed to rescue Mateen's parents in time before they were killed by the Taliban. And so that's what Mateen was holding against him.

Mateen couldn't stand Bill. He stayed away from him as much as possible until one day they were seen having a heated discussion. Bill was asked about it. He told the pastor that ran the center that it had been nothing. Then Mateen didn't show up at night to help them make gift packages for new refugees. NCIS went to his work where they ran into other refugees only Mateen took off when he saw them. The agents tried to chase after him and Torres took a hit to the head. He had a concussion afterwards.

It was so bad that a refugee who used to be a surgeon had to treat him at the supermarket. Torres was down for a couple of minutes, but he was soon back on his foot. His people in the meantime had found Mateen. Mateen had been building a bomb. They saw some men take it with them. They later learned why Mateen was involved. He wasn't a terrorist. He was a scared fiancé. His fiancé Asal was stuck in a Turkey refugee camp. The real terrorists were threatening to kill her if Mateen didn't make a bomb for them. And so that's what he did.

He gave the bomb. Only the bomb was a dud. Mateen didn't want to hurt anyone. He just wanted to save his fiancé. Mateen then reached out to Bill for help. Bill owes him after failing to save his parents. Bill said that he could save Asal and they'd be good. Then Bill dies and the terrorists moved up the timeline for when the bomb was to be dropped off. It's why NCIS failed to stop the hand off of the bomb. And so they looked into who was extorting Mateen to get a bomb, they found out that Asal had been approved for permanent residency in the States.

It was actually the refugee center that was holding up her papers. NCIS went to go question the pastor and he had been killed. They got a print from a bullet casing. It lead to a white nationalist. Someone who wants to kill every minority and those that aren't Christians. But the bomb blew up after they made it to the White Nationalist camp. It killed off most of the white nationalists. It turns out someone had fixed the bomb. They got it to work again and they sent it off to hide their part in the crime. And that someone was the woman who ran the refugee center.

She was White Nationalist and she wanted to blame a crime on a refugee to hide her own fingerprints. She was arrested and a refugee took over the running of the center. Mateen meanwhile got probation. And his fiancé was put on the next flight to the states.

Head Games

Season 20

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Season Episode: 18

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Guest Stars:	Amanda Clayton (Lieutenant Rachel Donahue), Gil McKinney (Logan Donahue), Mark L. Taylor (Dr. Harvey Kimball), Mark Bloom (Dr. Marley), Tony Robinette (Nate Sullivan), Renée Throatte (Adriana Broussard), Haley Brooke Walker (Mila), Casey Cameron Killian (Patient)
Production Code:	20018
Summary:	The NCIS team digs deep to investigate a Navy lieutenant who's accused of trying to murder her husband but has no memory of the attack. Also, Kasie navigates a potential medical scare.



NCIS were called in to investigate an attempted murder. The victim was Logan Donahue. He was stabbed in the stomach with some kitchen scissors and so suspicion naturally fell on the wife. Lieutenant Rachel Donahue was seen leaving the house in a hurry.

Plus, everyone figured it was the wife because that's usually the case in such disputes. Parker was about to issue a BOLO for the wife when she surprised them all. She came home. She had no clue why NCIS was there or why there

was blood in her kitchen. She demanded answers on why they were at her house and Parker was bold enough to say it was because she stabbed her husband.

Not that Rachel remembers doing so. She claims that the last thing she remembers was getting home the night before. Rachel was in the military and she often has to travel a lot for work.

She barely gets to see her husband because she's so busy. It also didn't help that Logan has a demanding job as well. They were operating on barely seeing each other and yet Rachel claims they were rock solid. Rachel said she loves her husband. He loves her. She hasn't been herself in a while because she has been feeling off lately and so she had a workup done with the doctor.

Rachel signed a HIPAA waiver so that NCIS could see her file. She was perfectly healthy. She did ask her doctor for a psychological evaluation only she was all over the place. There was no firm diagnosis. NCIS had a theory she was faking being crazy to get out of murder.

They thought she was working on her defense months in advance and they even got her doctor to agree that she might have been faking her symptoms. It would explain why it was all over the place. They all thought she was faking insanity in order to get out of a murder charge. And Rachel herself was helping in that regard.

Rachel began researching if she was insane or not about six weeks ago. She asked the doctor to run psychological tests on her around the same time. She didn't have a history of mental illness and so everyone figured she was faking until they saw her psychosis for themselves.

They saw Rachel freak out before passing out. Rachel was later treated and it was revealed that she has been overdosing on a thyroid medication. This medication causes memory lapses. It also caused violent outbursts and so Rachel had been telling the truth that something was wrong with her.

Only she didn't do it to herself. Rachel never willing took the medication. She has a device that was implanted in her arm about six weeks ago and that's when she began experiencing all of her symptoms. Rachel wasn't a killer after all. She was actually another victim. They looked into who would implant the device in Rachel and it turns out that she was put under recently for a root canal. Her dentist has a history of being in money trouble. He magically erased his debt about six weeks ago when the implant was put in Rachel's arm.

NCIS tracked down Dr. Kimball. He admitted he has a gambling problem and he said he was paid to put the implant in Rachel's arm. He didn't know who paid him. It was all done online. He was just the middleman and so NCIS still arrested him, but they also went looking for who would want to harm Rachel. They tracked down the manufacturer of that device that was delivering the medication. It was revealed that the one they took out of Rachel's arm was a prototype. One that a very small group had access to until Rachel's husband shut down the program.

Logan got a bunch of people fired from the program. He works with the FDA. He shut down a program he felt was too risky and that program then went to fire about forty people from the implantation program. The people he fired have been sending threatening messages to him. They've even threatened to ruin his life. NCIS looked into it and they found out that someone was waiting outside the couple's house one night and they believed that man was there to readminister the medication through implant.

NCIS did track down the man that sent the threatening email. It turns out he wasn't the one that drugged Rachel. He was just a blackmailer. He saw Logan swipe one of the implants when he came around to shut down the place and he thought he could blackmail his way into getting a piece of the cut. It was Logan who took the implant. It was Logan whose been drugging his wife. He even had the audacity to play the victim when she came around to apologize to him for stabbing him. And right after that, he checked himself out of the hospital without telling a soul.

Logan went on the run. He didn't tell his wife he was leaving and so NCIS began looking for him. They found out that Logan has opened several credit cards in Rachel's name. He wanted rack up some debt in her name to prove she's financially unstable. It turns out he's been setting himself up to get financial control over and he started about four months ago. Long before she became "sick". Logan had been hiding the fact that Rachel's cousin left her a trust fund worth a lot of money and he wanted that money.

There was just one problem with gaining all those funds. Logan didn't want to remain married to Rachel and he couldn't divorce her because of the way the trust fund was established. So, he was drugging her into insanity in order to get a conservatorship over her. He then went on the run when his plan turned against him and he almost died. That's what happens when you make her wife go crazy. But Rachel hunted him down. She got his confession out of him on why he did it and she made sure to capture it on tape. NCIS had followed her. They arrested Logan and now he faces jail time. Aint that funny!

Kasie also heard she has a mass and so she dug out her New Year goals because she wanted to complete them all, but the Director talked her into living for the day.

In the Spotlight

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Season Episode: 19

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Guest Stars: Kayla Blake (Nurse Allegra), Maritxell Carrero (Waitress), Erick Carrillo (Mateo Serrano), Adriana Ducassi (Reyna Vargas), Kendra M. Hill (Nurse #1), Connie Jackson (Elaine), Elias Janssen (Adam Vargas), Timothy-James Kennedy (Skater Dude), Scott Lawrence (DEA Agent Raymond Frank), Olivia Negrón (Abuela), Dennis Renard (Paramedic)
Production Code: 20019
Summary: Agent Knight goes viral for saving a mother and child from a potentially fatal car accident.



NCIS Special Agent Knight was driving into the Navy Yard when she witnessed an accident. This woman was driving crazily. She almost crashed into Knight's car. She did crash her car into a bush. It caught fire. Knight became concerned for the people still inside. She got mother and child out of the car.

She went back to rescue a man in there, but a huge explosion knocked her off her feet. It also killed the man that was inside. Knight didn't know what happened. How it all went wrong? Knight had

to get treated for a burn wound on her arm and so she took the time to ask the people she saved about what happened.

The mother was really cagey. She didn't want to go into detail much less give her name. She also tried to leave with her son when she noticed that cops were on the scene and so Knight came to suspect that something was going on. She stopped the woman from leaving. She talked her into going to the hospital with her son.

Knight reminded them that they were in an accident. They needed to get checked out. Knight also dealt with the cops. She went to Parker with her suspicions. She told him that she thought there was more to this car accident. And Parker agreed to let her stay on with this case.

The case would normally have gone to MPD, but Parker pulled rank. The accident did happen on Navy Yard property. It was technically their jurisdiction. Parker just had to run with it. He later made sure that it was Knight that questioning the surviving duo. Knight found out the mother's name is Reyna.

Her son's name is Adam. Reyna claimed she was driving her brother Daniel to the hospital when they got into a car accident. She also said she didn't want to talk to police because she wasn't an American citizen.

Reyna was an illegal immigrant. Her son was an American. She was afraid she might get deported and her son put in foster care. She didn't want to leave him alone for a minute for fear they would be separated, but she needed to get an MRI at the hospital. Adam wasn't allowed to come with her.

Reyna got taken by a nurse and that was the last they saw of her because she disappeared right after that. The nurse claims that Reyna attacked her before fleeing. There was no sign of Reyna. They didn't know where she could have gone. They just knew she left her son behind.

Adam was so angry at being left behind that he lashed out at Knight. He blamed her for what was happening. He said if she hadn't told his mom to go to the hospital that none of this would happen and so Adam was being really mean to Knight. He wanted someone to blame for his mom leaving him. Knight became the safest target. Nevermind that Reyna lied about a few things. Daniel wasn't her brother. He was her handler. Daniel Tanner was a DEA Agent. He had Reyna spying on the Serrano cartel.

Something must have gone wrong because Daniel was shot before the car accident. Reyna was taking him to the hospital when they got into accident and he died in the car fire. NCIS continued to dig into Reyna. They found out that she didn't leave her son behind. Her nurse had arranged for her to be kidnapped at gunpoint. The nurse was apparently working with the Serranos. She later claimed they threatened her into doing it. She gave them descriptions just not any names. And they took it from there.

DEA Agent Raymond Frank was assisting NCIS with the case. He's the one that told them about Daniel. He even mentioned that Daniel recruited Reyna because he thought she was tough to handle the life of being an informant. Daniel had liked Reyna. He told his bosses that she has in her to go the long haul as long as she was guaranteed a visa at the end of it. Only something was holding up the visa. Reyna was getting antsy. Reyna's son said she got a call about a friend being in trouble and then she left before coming back with Daniel in the passenger seat.

She grabbed her son. She tried to drive too fast to the hospital when she got into the car accident. The Serranos found her at the hospital because of the video. Some skateboarder had recorded Knight rescuing Reyna and Adam. He posted it online. The media started calling Knight "Wonder Woman". It began trending. It's why no doubted people when they started asking what happened to everyone that Knight saved and the media said they were taken to a hospital. It was the video that risked Reyna's safety.

Reyna was grabbed by the Serranos. They knew she was being taken to the boss, Matteo Serrano. They went looking for her by tracking down Matteo and they eventually found her. They found Reyna safe and alive. They also were forced to kill Matteo, but certain things weren't making sense. Why did they let Reyna live? Reyna admitted that she gave a recording of Matteo Serrano to Daniel. She suspected that it got destroyed in the car fire and so her son surprised her. Adam was a DJ. He likes making remixes.

He saw the recording in the backseat and he thought it was for him. He then used it in a song. The recording was piece back together. It led back to Agent Frank. Frank was Serrano payroll. He's the one that killed Daniel. He's the one that was holding up Reyna's visa. And he's the one that killed Matteo to try and cover up what he did.

Adam saved the day, his mother was getting her visa, and Frank was making a deal to save his own skin.

Adam eventually made a remix for Knight in thanks for her help in protecting his mom.

Second Opinion

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Guest Stars: James Snyder (Dr. Miles Bauer), Anne-Marie Johnson (Senator Selena Grayson), Jeremy Glazer (Douglas Pritchard), John Bishop (Army Surplus Store Owner), Ryan Masson (Arthur Vernon), Frederick Lawrence (Officer at Kids' Event), Lexi Ainsworth (Holly Lyngos), Nikko Austen Smith (Petty Officer Amanda Grayson), Austin Powell (Floyd), Mark Ciarrocchi (Rylan Marsh), Collin Campana (Kenji)
Production Code: 20020
Summary: NCIS works to solve the murder of a senator's daughter who has a rebellious reputation and large online following: Jimmy gets competitive with an old college rival.



The body of a Jane Doe was found at a park. She had a Navy tattoo. It made the local cops believe that she could be Navy or perhaps former Navy and so they passed his case to NCIS. NCIS needed help with identifying the victim. She didn't have ID.

There was also nothing in her car to give them an idea who she was however there were signs that she traveled to a senator's home. She visited the home of Senator Greyson not long before she died and it wasn't some seedy affair. The sen-

ator was her mother. The victim's name was Amanda Grayson. She was known as a problematic child.

Amanda could be upbeat one moment or belligerent in the next. She has a drinking problem. She also had an attitude problem. She had gotten expelled from several schools.

She got in trouble with the law and her mom worked out a deal for her to join the Navy. Everyone had hoped the military would give her some much needed discipline. Amanda chose to instead go her own path. She got written up several times for infractions. The Navy was going to discharge her. And she was on CurioCam.

CurioCam was one of those sites that allows their clients to post anything to their subscribers. Only Amanda wasn't doing porn or even stripping. She was making MSR videos. She had videos of her making soothing noises and that got her thousands of subscribers. There was one guy in particular who gave off the creep vibe. He watched every video Amanda ever posted. He left comments under all of them saying he loved her. He couldn't wait to be with her. He also mentioned a few threats a couple of times because he didn't like that she was ignoring him.

The creepy guy's name is Arthur Vernon. He was married once before. His wife left him because he was psychotic and abusive. She even took out a restraining order against him.

He was the obsessive type. He had a shrine in his apartment building dedicated to Amanda. He was obsessed with her and everyone suspected he was their killer. They brought him for questioning. They asked him about Amanda. They tried to shake him and he was calm. Too calm. He said he was at work at an army supply store.

He said his boss saw him there. They later checked out his alibi. His boss saw him for thirty minutes in a two hour window. He has no idea what Arthur did before or after. They also found out a WWII gas mask had been used on Amanda for several hours. This same mask was on display at Arthur's job. Arthur was reported to have a fascination with it. The temporary forensic pathologist had sworn that Arthur was their man. Amanda's mother the senator didn't entirely trust NCIS. She wanted to take matters into her own hands and she had outside people brought into this investigation.

Miles Bauer was known for working high-profile murders. He was famous. He was considered an expert in his field and yet he was no match for Jimmy. Jimmy found out that Amanda was taking a medication that would mean she ran hot while she was alive. The additional heat also meant their time of death was off. Amanda died hours earlier than their initial findings. Which meant Arthur couldn't have killed Amanda. He had a stronger alibi earlier that day and there were plenty of witnesses throughout the whole murder window who would claim Arthur was at a doctor's appointment.

Miles didn't like being shown up by someone he considers his inferior. Nevermind that back at med school it was Jimmy that was the rising star. It was Jimmy who was sought out by the Mayo Clinic until Miles somehow misplaced the message telling Jimmy his appointment had been moved. Jimmy lost out at the job. Miles went on to become a star and still NCIS followed Jimmy's lead on the case. They changed the murder window until another woman's body showed up. This new victim was also on CurioCam. Her name was Lori Nelson.

Lori was killed just like Amanda. Arthur was also missing. The senator assumed that Arthur killed both women and that Jimmy had been wrong about the murder window. The senator was demanding he be fired. Jimmy was benched, but the case wasn't sitting right with the team. They thought it looked too much like Arthur Vernon. As if someone was setting him up. They kept digging and they found a video that Amanda had saved to her cloud. The video detailed she was sexually abused at her private school for troubled kids.

She was abused by a donor to the school. His name is Raylan Marsh. Marsh was also bankrolling her mother's fundraising and so it was the senator's chief of staff that killed Amanda. He didn't want the Marsh secret coming out or ruining his career with the senator. He confessed to everything. There was also evidence to back it up. He didn't wear gloves with the second victim and his prescription ointment had gotten on Lori's remains.

And so Jimmy was telling the truth, but it was Miles who got all the credit in the press.

Kompromat

Season 20
Episode Number: 456
Season Episode: 21

Originally aired:	Monday May 15, 2023
Writer:	Scott Williams
Director:	Lionel Coleman
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Guest Stars:	Brigid Brannagh (Senator Constance Miller), Kevin Sizemore (Stuart Greco), Themo Melikidze (Yuri Valkov), Sonny Valicenti (Nate Billings), Juliette Goglia (Evelyn Shaw), Chris Ufland (Gus Zawadzki), Becca Q. Co (Gwen Yong), Anny Elizabeth Rosario (Navy Lt. Jasmine Coyne), Rick Gifford (State Dept. Special Agent Smith)
Production Code:	20021
Summary:	When a suspicious murder occurs in the classified section of the National Archive, NCIS must investigate a string of Russian spy encounters that may be linked to the crime.



Human blood was found on the floor of the classified section of the National Archives. The janitors were the ones to find it and they followed the blood until they found the body of Navy Reservist Louis Dacey. He was a security guard at the museum. He was stabbed to death.

Jimmy was able to place his time of death on the night before. NCIS looked into anyone who visited that wing around that same time. They found out that there was only one person who was there. Her name is Senator Constance Miller. She's

the one that those Russian spies were all interested in. And she was also the woman that Parker was dating.

Parker had left his team to do the paperwork so that he could finally enjoy some personal time. He ended up making a date with Constance. She came over to his place. They had a great night and then the next thing Parker is hearing was that his own team wanted to interrogate his girlfriend.

They called him to tell him that they were going over to the senator's home to question her, but he told them that they wouldn't find Constance at home. She was still at his place. She's been coming to his place for several nights and one of them was when the murder took place.

Constance didn't go into the National Archives. She has access to the classified section because of her duties serving on several committees. She also had visited the place once before. She just didn't go on the night in question. She was with Parker all night. NCIS then pulled up the cameras and they saw that it was a man wearing contact lenses that entered the building.

The contact lenses were the perfect image of Constance's eyes. It's how he got pass the biometrics on the door. The fact that he wasn't a woman probably clued in the security guard who was killed for whatever that man was looking for.

Constance has no idea how he got a perfect likeness of her eyes. She wanted the mystery man caught. Parker promised they would get him and then he ran into some issues.

He and his team wanted to talk to the Russian spies that worked Constance's campaign only those same Russians were being exchanged in a prisoner swap with Russia. The chief council for the State Department didn't care that the Russians were planning something on domestic soil. He wanted to make the swap at all costs because it would make him look good in the press.

It was just NCIS who didn't want to let this drop. They looked into what happened at that museum. They determined that one file was stolen. The file was on a Russian defector named Ilya Sokolov. He was once a professional chess player with an extremely high IQ. They called up Ducky. Ducky remembers the guy. He said that Ilya worked several jobs within the Russian government until the Berlin Wall came down. Ilya chose to defect and he was given a new identity. He even became a professor.

By time NCIS were able to track him down, he was already dead. His killer was even using his shower to wash off all the blood. The killer was identified as Yuri Valkov. He was the son of a Russian oligarch. He was also the Russian spies' handler. Or he was until they were captured by NCIS. Yuri became frustrated and he decided to deal with the problem himself. The agents asked Nate Billings about Yuri. And Nate was so frightened by Yuri that he later killed himself before he could be handed back to Russia.

Nate knew that the Russians would kill him. The Russians were killing all the spies connected to Constance's campaign. One of the spies disappeared into Europe while the other two were killed. Councilor Greco didn't care about the deaths. He said what Russia does with the spies was none of their business. He was more upset that he couldn't trade Nate than he was about the death of the others. Councilor Greco was pushing through with the prisoner exchange even after they found Evelyn.

NCIS got to Evelyn. They told her she has prisoner rights. They got her to refuse the trade and she stayed behind to answer questions. She told them all about Yuri. She wasn't scared of him. And while she was answering questions, Greco was arrested because he was trading prisoners for an American that died of natural causes three weeks ago. He knew he was setting them up to die but didn't care because the Russians were paying him and now he was a traitor to his own country.

The reason Yuri hunted down Sokolov was because Sokolov was working on a weapon of mass destruction before he defected. And the Russians still wanted their weapon.

But Constance broke up with Parker because she said he's still in love with his ex.

Black Sky

Season 20
Episode Number: 457
Season Episode: 22

Originally aired: Monday May 22, 2023
Writer: Brendan Fehily, David J. North
Director: Diana Valentine
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Guest Stars: Al Sapienza (De Leon's Lawyer), Themo Melikidze (Yuri Valkov), Juliette Goglia (Evelyn Shaw aka Viktoria Valkov), Chris Petrovski (Lev Trotski), Michael Garza (Reymundo De Leon), Ilia VoloK (Kostya Valkov), Morrison Keddie (Boris Popov), Jeff Boehm (Prison Detention Officer Oris Glazebrook), Pilar Holland (Lucia Campbell (voice))
Production Code: 20022
Summary: Torres finds himself in prison as the team tries to stop an impending terror attack on U.S. soil.



Yuri Valkov was happy to go to prison. He knew his family's money and connections would protect him there and he wasn't wrong. Prison was later a breeze for him. He hired goons. He even bought himself a guard or two. Yuri was living an easy life behind bars. He had the guards make sure that he didn't have any roommates nor did he have any immediate neighbors. Until that is when Torres ruined the status quo. Torres went undercover at the prison. He was assigned to the cell right across from Yuri. Yuri didn't like that and

he tried to establish dominance with Torres. Torres was pretending to be Manuel Delgado. He went by Manny.

Manny's backstory was that he was caught in an armed robbery. He was sentenced ten years behind bars. He has no hope for an appeal and this wasn't the first time he got in trouble with the law. Torres played a great Manny. He showed that prison didn't bother him. He also told Yuri that he couldn't intimidate him. Yuri had approached him as a means of threatening him to be a good neighbor, but Torres played it cool. He showed he wasn't going to fold so easily. He took a stand against Yuri and that proved to be a mistake because Yuri knew there was an undercover agent there.

Yuri's father was Kostya Valokv. He was a big time spy with KGB back during the Cold War. He's since became a Russian mob boss and he maintains his strong ties to the Kremlin. He now wants to commit a terrorist attack against the United States. He had his son Yuri helping him. Yuri admitted to Evelyn Shaw that something big was coming. That his dad had planned an attack. She didn't know the details and so NCIS couldn't give her witness protection only she knew that they had an agent on the inside at Yuri's prison.

One of the guards at Evelyn's prison was also on Kostya's payroll. He was the one that allowed Evelyn's cellmate to try and kill her. The bunkmate failed but the guard said that she was safe

for now because they didn't know if NCIS had put someone at her prison too. Evelyn told Knight what the guard said. They realized that Torres was compromised. They tried to pull him. He refused to break cover. He said he was getting great information. He learned that Yuri was in contact with his dad from behind bars.

One of the guards had given Yuri a cell phone. Torres saw Yuri with the cell phone. He told his team about it and they hacked the phone. They found out that Yuri's father was planning on attacking the US's power grid. The DOD has done research on what would occur if that were to ever happen. It was called "Black Sky". It was said that all forms of government would fall without the lights on. It was very reminiscent of a certain show that used to be on NBC. Everything would break down and the country would return to a lawlessness it hasn't seen in over a century.

This attack was everyone's worst fear. They wanted to get as much information from Yuri as possible. They faked a high school for Torres. They had everything in his undercover persona check out. Yuri was just about to trust him and then Yuri's own people kill him. Yuri had revealed something right before his death. He revealed he has a sister. A sister that hated him. She treated him horribly and their father never stopped her because she was daddy's little princess. And so when people heard "Anastasia", they thought that was the name of the attack.

Torres never connected it to a person. They were still operating under the false name of an attack when they spoke with one of Yuri's killers. Lev said that he was loyal to Kostya. Everyone assumed it must have been Kostya who gave the order to kill his son. They thought Kostya was cleaning up house to make sure that no one knew about his plan. They had Parker pretend to be Lev's lawyer. Lev gave him flight information. The information showed that someone was heading to the US on a private plane.

Then the city went dark. The lights went down. They had to operate by radio. They found out that the plane that Kostya was on was landing in the same town where they placed Evelyn in witness protection. They then made the connection between Anastasia and Yuri's sister. Anastasia was a nickname. It was the name of a real life Russian princess and it was a nickname for Viktoria Valkov. Also known as Evelyn. Evelyn played them all for months. She was the mastermind behind this attack and she was using a computer to hack the power grid.

They found her at the house. She had killed her guards. They in turn killed her father. They then arrested Viktoria. She will have to face a long time in an American prison and this time her daddy wasn't there to protect her. But Torres found out someone from his past was still around and was still dangerous. Torres went to this man's house. He broke in. Tonight's episode ended with him telling this mysterious man that he wants to watch him die. Who is this man? Why does Torres hate him? Will Torres commit murder? There's just no telling what might happen!

Season Twentyone

Algún Día

Season 21
Episode Number: 458
Season Episode: 1

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Guest Stars: Al Sapienza (Maurice Riva), Pilar Holland (Lucia Campbell), Kim Matula (Agent Rose), Michael Garza (Reymundo De Leon), Chris Petrovski (Lev Trotski), J. Claude Deering (Curtis Hubley), Vanessa Martinez (Marta De Leon), Matthew Godbey (Agent Brian Colfax), Jeffrey Boehm (Prison Detention Officer Otis Glazebrook), Johanna Curé (Aida Torres), Julian Rangel (Young Nick Torres), Rita Angel Taylor (Young Lucia Torres), Maurice Webster (Bartender)
Production Code: 21001
Summary: The NCIS team must help Torres when he puts his future at stake by confronting the man who tormented his family when he was a child.



NCIS Special Agent Torres recently spent some time undercover. It was nothing new for him. He's been undercover in one form or another for years. His mission in prison worked out in his favor. He was able to leave, but something stayed with him. He saw someone from his past while he was there.

Just seeing this person unraveled all the hard work he did on himself. He broke sobriety. He also broke the law. He did that when he broke into a man's home and pulled a gun on him. Something hap-

pened. It was unclear what did happen. Torres walked away with a few bruises as well as a hangover after that night.

His boss noticed both the next morning. He would have mentioned some thing only he had bigger issues to contend with. Parker accidentally talked the head of NCIS Cyber Division into quitting. The guy left his job to join the private sector and that was all because of his conversation with Parker. Parker was then put in charge of the Cyber Division while they looked for someone permanent.

He didn't know a thing about his computers. He quickly handed over the job to McGee without once trying to do it himself. McGee will be filling in until they got a new department head. It was therefore McGee who got the notice first that the FBI were coming to the Navy Yard.

The FBI eventually arrested Torres for murder. McGee thought he didn't do it. Parker didn't even want to believe Torres could kill someone for personal reasons. They tried to get to Torres before the feds and Torres wouldn't talk. He refused to say anything. He didn't bother claiming his innocence.

He let the FBI arrest him for murder. Torres wasn't going to fight a thing and so his team did the fighting for him. NCIS were warned several times to let the FBI handle Torres's case, but they ignored that because they wanted to prove Torres innocent.

They figured they knew Torres too well for him to surprise them by being a murderer. His sister reaffirmed that belief. Lucia has left JAG and gone into private practice.

She was her brother's lawyer. She knew who he supposedly killed. She knew the evidence against him. She was refusing to believe her brother killed Maurice Riva. Riva was a con artist. He met their family when they were in South America. He helped them get to the United States. Torres's mother fell in love with the guy and the guy eventually stole her identity to commit fraud.

Their mother didn't report it because Riva was also abusive. He would abuse every member of that family for years and it stopped when he decided to move on.

He was just gone one day. There was no letter or phone call. He simply left. Torres and his sister as well have been looking for Riva for years.

They never found him on their own. Not until Torres went undercover at a prison. He saw that Riva was still preying on the vulnerable and undocumented. His most recent girlfriend was Marta De Leon. She was another immigrant. She too had a son. Her son was in prison for fraud and he's claiming he's innocent. And that he had been framed.

Torres instantly believed the kid. Especially after he saw that Riva visited Reymundo in prison. Torres called his sister and he told her that night that he found the man that abused them.

She tried calling him back. He wouldn't answer her calls. He didn't even call Lucia to work as his attorney after he got arrested. He refused his right to attorney. He also pled guilty.

His one term for doing so was that he wanted to be sent to the same person where he was an undercover cop. Everyone knew that would be an instant death sentence if he goes back and he did so anyways.

NCIS thought he did so because of Reymundo. Riva probably committed the fraud that Reymundo De Leon was in prison for. They reached out to the mother, Marta. Marta didn't want to believe that Riva was a bad man.

She didn't come to a realization until after she talked to Torres's sister Lucia. Lucia showed her some old photos of Riva's ring damaging her mother's face. She spoke in Spanish to Marta. She acted as a translator between Marta and Parker. And Parker didn't suspect something was up for a while.

Parker truly thought that Lucia was only there to protect her brother. They couldn't understand why Torres pled guilty. Much less why he wanted to die in prison. It didn't make sense.

Then they got some help from FBI Special Agent Rose. She infiltrated their office to leave the FBI's case files for them. The one piece of evidence they had against Torres was that his fingerprint was found on Riva's ring. They had nothing else. They didn't even have the murder weapon. They stopped looking once Torres confessed to murder.

Then they listened to Torres's voicemail. They heard Lucia leave a message saying "Justice" in Spanish for her brother. It was a message they would tell themselves after Riva would beat them.

Torres must have heard that message and thought his sister killed Riva. Only she didn't do it either. NCIS saw that Torres confessed under the assumption his sister did it.

They visited him in prison. They had to see him in the medical bay because Torres had gotten stabbed by the Russians and so Lucia finally talking to Torres helped clear up all the confusion. Neither of them were the killers.

The killer was actually Marta De Leon. She knew the truth about Riva. She also knew that Riva was going to go back on the run now that her son was in prison and so she killed him.

She claimed in a letter that he had assaulted her. Which in turn made her grab for the gun in self-defense. Marta confessed in the letter and she left behind the murder weapon. Other than that she was gone. She went on the run.

FBI Special Agent Rose used her helping skills to get the new job as head of the Cyber Division.

Torres got to leave prison, but he was worried he was about to get fired and so Parker reassured him that he was still a member of their team. And that's when they got the sad news about Ducky.

The Stories We Leave Behind

Season 21
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Season Episode: 2

Originally aired: Monday February 19, 2024
Writer: Brian Dietzen, Scott Williams
Director: Michael Zinberg
Show Stars: Sean Murray (NCIS Senior Special Agent Timothy McGee), Wilmer Valderrama (NCIS Special Agent Nick Torres), Katrina Law (NCIS Special Agent Jessica Knight), Brian Dietzen (Chief Medical Examiner Jimmy Palmer), Diona Reasonover (Forensic Scientist Kasie Hines), Rocky Carroll (NCIS Director Leon Vance), Gary Cole (FBI Special Agent Alden Park)
Guest Stars: David Starzyk (Councilman Allan Berger), James Landry Hébert (Jonesy), Olivia Sanabia (Serena Zawadski), Michael Weatherly (Tony DiNozzo), Selah Victor (Susan)
Production Code: 21002
Summary: As NCIS mourns the loss of Ducky, the agents find comfort in working on one of his unfinished cases involving a woman whose father was dishonorably discharged from the Marines.



Jimmy visited Ducky's home like he did every morning. He thought Ducky had slept in. It wasn't until he went to wake him that he realized that Ducky had passed in his sleep. It was therefore Jimmy that broke the news to the world. He informed NCIS that Ducky had passed. Ducky had still been NCIS's Historian on record and many sent their donations to NCIS because they knew that was Ducky's real home.

Every NCIS Office around the world sent flowers. This included their new office in Sydney. There were also magnolias from the New Orleans Office along with a beautiful wreath from the Hawaii Office.

Ducky was well-loved. Their office was so flooded with flowers that they've sent up a page where people could donate to Ducky's charities. It was either that or deal with a bunch of thistles from Scotland. All of NCIS was in mourning. Jimmy went to Ducky's office to see his treasures when he was confronted by an angry young woman.

This woman thought he was Ducky. She confronted him because she's been calling Ducky's number for days and she thought he had ghosted her. Her name is Serena Zawadski.

She wouldn't give Jimmy time to breathe much less explain before she went tearing into him for ignoring her. Ducky had promised her that he could help clear her family's name. It was the last case he'd been reviewing. He died within hours after agreeing to help her. Jimmy did eventually get around to explaining that he wasn't Ducky and that Ducky had passed.

It was the worst bit of news for Serena. She thought she'd never be able to clear her father's name. Only Jimmy agreed to look at Ducky's files to help her.

Serena's dad died overseas during deployment. She thought he died an honorable soldier until Councilman Berger namechecked her father during one of his rallies for his upcoming senate run. Councilman Berger called her father a traitor. He was trying to distance himself from

Zawadski publicly because Zawadski acted as his bodyguard while his company was rebuilding infrastructure over in Afghanistan.

Serena didn't know how her father really died until she talked to her mother. Her mother had told her story that he died a hero because the real story was bad.

Her father apparently was found shot to death in an Afghani brothel. He also had heroin in his system. Serena didn't know any of that when she began writing her college entrance essays. The colleges now thought she was a liar and she thought her heroic dad was actually an evil man. Or she did until she reached out to Ducky. Ducky performed the autopsy on her father.

Ducky claimed that there wasn't heroin in her father's system. He would have pulled up the file only he passed that night. Jimmy then tried pulling up the file and he found most of it redacted. It was above his clearance. It was above Parker's clearance. It was even above Director Vance's clearance.

None of them could access that file. The most they could do was contact Councilman Berger and tell him to lay off slagging Zawadski. The councilman hadn't known that the soldier had a daughter. And Parker noticed that the councilman seemed spooked when they said the autopsy didn't show heroin.

Parker wanted to follow up on the latter. Once he got the councilman to agree to stop namechecking the dead soldier, he began to investigate what really happened overseas.

Serena also got a call. She got a call from someone claiming that her father died a hero and then they said "Semper Fi". It was a known saying amongst Marines.

It also reminded Serena of all the Christmas cards she's gotten over the years that said the same thing. They came with money and they were never signed. NCIS tracked down the person who made that call.

His name was Jonesy. He was former Marines. He served with her dad and he said that his friend would never betray the Marines. He refused to believe the official story.

He unfortunately suffered from paranoia and had tried to run when the NCIS Agent came calling because he thought the councilman sent them. Jonesy was living on the street. He just had a cot in a tent. He hasn't been the same since he left the Marines and everyone figured he was struggling with PTSD. It wasn't until they fed him as well as just plain talking to him that he opened up.

Jonesy signed Zawadski out that night. His friend did not leave base illegally. He went to go investigate Berger because Berger was helping the heroin dealers in Afghanistan smuggling things back to the United States.

He was doing it by using his family's company as cover. Berger was quite powerful and he went back to the American base to tore out the page that showed Zawadski signed out with every intention of coming back. The next thing Jonesy knows was that his friend's body was found in a brothel.

It was all a set up so that no one would ask why Zawadski left that night.

Only Jonesy's word wasn't going to be enough. They needed more evidence. They eventually found Ducky's autopsy report and it showed that the chemical for heroin was found on him. Not in him.

This along with a freshly cleaned up Jonesy was enough to scare Berger into dropping out of the senate race. He won't mention Serena's father ever again. Serena's father also received an honorable discharge from the Marines thanks to Vance pushing for one. And Serena will be receiving tuition assistance from the Marines fund for their fallen's children.

Serena will get to start college like everyone else. Ducky lived up to his word. Then it came time for his funeral and everyone showed. This included Tony who helped Jimmy with his tie.

Lifeline

Season 21
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Season Episode: 3

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Writer: Marco Schnabel
Director: Rocky Carroll
Show Stars: Sean Murray (NCIS Senior Special Agent Timothy McGee), Wilmer Valderrama (NCIS Special Agent Nick Torres), Katrina Law (NCIS Special Agent Jessica Knight), Brian Dietzen (Chief Medical Examiner Jimmy Palmer), Diona Reasonover (Forensic Scientist Kasie Hines), Rocky Carroll (NCIS Director Leon Vance), Gary Cole (FBI Special Agent Alden Park)
Guest Stars: Chris McKenna (Eric Webb), Andy Favreau (CIA Agent), Louis Ferreira (Harlan Atwood), Indira G. Wilson (CIA Deputy Director Westin), Billy Malone (NCIS Mechanic Dominic), Michael Shepperd (Louis), Victoria Kelleher (NCIS Accountant Barbara), Nina Concepción (NCIS Dispatch Operator Gladys Molina), Harold Nieves Fisch (Alexander Renard), Marc Forget (GIGN Captain Laugier), Tina D'Marco (Parisian Woman)
Production Code: 21003
Summary: The NCIS team experiences fresh views during Walk-a-Mile day, then Kasie receives an urgent mystery message.



Each team member of NCIS was split up to work different jobs. This included Kasie. They usually investigate crimes involving servicemen or women and tonight they were doing the other jobs that for the most part goes unrecognized. McGee was in the garage with the mechanics servicing all NCIS vehicles. Torres was with the accounting team helping to itemize who ordered what office supplies. Knight was with maintenance. She was the only one that was learning so much and she now knows a lot of tricks to keep old buildings

running. She was also free to text Kasie all the new gossip she learned thanks to the new job.

Kasie was with dispatch office. She was taking calls. Most of it was telling people to call the police. Kasie was doing fine with that and so her supervisor left her alone to grab a coffee. In those few minutes she was alone, someone called in saying they believe they were being followed. They also went quiet and Kasie heard gunshots before the call went dead. Kasie had no idea what to do. She also couldn't figure out why he kept saying a code. She had to ask her supervisor about that code because she had never heard it before.

Only her supervisor didn't know what it meant either. Kasie brought what she heard to McGee. He knew that the numbers that her potential victim was spouting off was in fact an old way that NCIS Agents used to identify themselves. They changed that system about ten years ago. Whoever called in hadn't known that. This meant they were former NCIS Agents. McGee ran the code. It came back as belonging to Eric Webb. He was former NCIS like they suspected. He did a lot of undercover work and that's why the rest of his file was listed as confidential.

They needed Director Vance to grant them access to the file. Once they were in, they learned that Eric left NCIS years ago and joined a small insurance company. The insurance company

only exists on paper. Its mailing address was also a PO Box. It was clear that it was front for something else. NCIS couldn't trace the call. They were able to trace Eric's car that he had been using. They followed it to a CIA safehouse and it was full of dead bodies. One of the bodies had a wallet identifying them as Eric Webb.

Which apparently was a misdirection. Eric planted his wallet on one of the gunmen he killed because someone sold him out and he thought that person must be the CIA. He was in a CIA safehouse when it got hit. No one else should know about that house. Eric called back dispatch to talk to Kasie. He trusts Kasie. She was the only one he was willing to talk to. He contacted NCIS because he was worried about a leak in the CIA. He was former NCIS. He still trusts NCIS. It also was true that the CIA couldn't investigate on the domestic front. They operate overseas.

CIA showed up at the safehouse. They ran everyone's fingerprints. They knew Eric wasn't dead. They asked NCIS if he contacted them again and Parker lied to their faces. He pretended like Eric never made contact again after the first time. CIA allowed NCIS to take lead on the case. They told them that they deal with their internal matters themselves and Parker didn't necessarily trust that. He thought the leak came from within their department. He didn't think it came from their French allies. And so he questioned them about what was going on that safehouse before the blood bath.

The CIA had collected a black hat hacker by the name of Alexander Renard. They arrested him in France where he was living and he claimed something when he got arrested. He claimed that he knew of an imminent terrorist attack on the United States. He said he learned about it on the dark web. He was only agreeing to tell the Americans about it if his charges disappeared. He was now dead along with several CIA Officers. Eric was the only one that survived. Eric later called Kasie again and he told her that Renard said something to him before he was killed.

It was directions to a locker at a DC train station. Eric checked the locker. He found an old time radio and it played just one song. He had no idea what it meant. He played it for Kasie when he called. She worked out what it meant. She knew that there was an old time radio store in DC. The radio was the message. NCIS Agents went to the radio store. They found the owner dead. He had been shot. They also found the components of a bomb and not the bomb itself. The radio shop owner was a bomb builder. And that bomb was now in the Washington DC area.

NCIS were doing their best to track it down. When Kasie next talked to Eric, she asked him why he hasn't come in. They know there's a bomb at play. They know that the bomb maker was killed. They even knew there was a leak within the CIA. Eric could come in and be safe at NCIS. So, why didn't he? Eric told Kasie that he wouldn't rest until the bomb was off the street. Kasie believed him because they had developed a bond. The same bond was tested when McGee found something. He found out that the offshore account that paid for the bomb belonged to Eric.

NCIS became afraid that Eric wasn't trying to stop the bomb. He was the one that was going to set it off. It would explain why he wouldn't come in. It also explained who leaked the CIA safehouse. NCIS looked further into Eric. They learned that he never left NCIS voluntarily. He was pushed out. He got upset after a bomb went off in Spain and he became hostile to everyone he worked with. He especially was angry with his own agency. He was pushed out after becoming aggressive. He next joined the CIA. He had access to their files. He knew when they had grabbed Renard.

Eric could have easily have staged the ambush himself. He knew Renard knew too much. The only thing that couldn't be explained was his attachment to Kasie and then Kasie went missing. Eric grabbed her. They were able to track down the pair. There they learned that Eric was being framed. He was being framed by someone named Harlan. Harlan lost a loved one in the Spanish bombing. He was recently diagnosed with stage four lung cancer. He was dying and he wanted to take the CIA down with him.

He blamed everything on Eric because Eric was an easy target. He was single. He had no kids. He was known for his temper after the bomb in Spain and he could be blamed for everything. Eric was telling Kasie the truth the whole time. He grabbed her because he needed a scientist's help proving that Harlan was responsible for everything. And they did that together.

NCIS arrested Harlan. The bomb was found before it went off. Eric's name was cleared and he was free to ask out Kasie for lunch. It turns out their bond was real.

Left Unsaid

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Guest Stars: Carson Fagerbakke (Tanya Ellsworth), Alastair Duncan (Ron Davenport), Jake Thomas (Petty Officer Derek Bailey), Carly Hughes (Vicky Meyer), Devin Crittenden (Mickey Steele / Clown), Nancy Daly (Claire Raider), Joe Fusco (Mr. Dawson / Hostage), Kschris Anda (Security Guard Troy), Benmio McCrea (Lawyer)
Production Code: 21004
Summary: The NCIS team races against time to find a missing Petty Officer who disappears during his marriage proposal.



Naval Petty Officer Derek Bailey went hiking with his girlfriend. He took her to the same spot as their first date. He had music. He had white tulips that she loves. He had blindfolded her for the final surprise, but someone got to him before he could propose. Derek had been abducted. His girlfriend didn't see it because of the blindfold. She didn't hear because of the music. She just thought he left. She thought he got cold feet and left her alone in the National Park. Tanya is a smart woman. She realized that Derek

was working to proposing to her. He's done it before. And she figured he left because he's technically done that once before too.

Derek ghosted her once. He disappeared on her. Tanya was so worried that she tried to file a police report. She couldn't because he had to be missing for over seventy-two hours and in that time Derek came back. He was all apologetic. He told Tanya that would never happen again. She took him back and she was regretting that after his second disappearance. She didn't even bother looking for him in the park. She simply went home and planned on never taking him back again. Only this last disappearance was different.

The same for the marriage proposal. He tried to propose twice before in a spur of the moment thing. This third time he had a banner, sprinkled roses, a picnic as well as an actual ring. Tanya didn't bother looking for it. No one else had found it since they've been gone. Tanya also never reported him missing. His work reported missing when he didn't call or show up. NCIS were sent out to find him. They brought Tanya back to the park and she showed them where they had their first date. And they found romantic get up that was all set up for her.

The ring was even still there. Tanya said he must have finally been serious about proposing this time. NCIS joked about Derek getting cold feet amongst each other. Parker didn't include

himself in that because he suspected something else happened at that park. He had the team look into it. They eventually found a video of Derek's abduction. His kidnappers recorded the video and posted it on the online. This was a problem because Derek worked in a special program at the Navy Yard. He could potentially hand over a very dangerous weapon to their enemies.

Derek was working on a device that would make their navy undetectable underwater. They wouldn't be seen on radar by other navies or enemy combatants. If the tech behind the device gets stolen, then other navies will use it to hide their ships long enough to move into American waters. This could be a nightmare for their intelligence department. NCIS started looking for Derek. They later found who had taken him. Derek was taken by the Bold Ventures business. It's a business that firmly believed in radical therapy.

They allow people to pay them to confront their worst fears. Derek paid for someone to kidnap him. He didn't know when he was going to get kidnap. He also had to fill out a questionnaire before he was taken on as a client by Bold Ventures. NCIS went down to their offices. They went to the room where Derek was supposed to be held, but they found a dead employee inside his cell. Derek wasn't where he was supposed to be. He was gone. There was a literal dead body and so NCIS feared that Derek had killed someone to escape his worst fear.

They were thankfully wrong about that assumption. Tanya has no idea why Derek would want to get kidnap. She thought maybe she didn't know him as well as she thought. She just didn't think he killed someone. She wouldn't be having a baby with a killer. She told NCIS that Derek didn't kill anyone. They found a syringe in that room and they tested it. It had Derek's DNA on it. Derek had been abducted from his fake abduction. He was drugged to get him out of that room. Whoever did it must have been interrupted by the employee and killed him to get away with Derek.

What they couldn't figure out was why Derek was actually abducted. They looked into his life. They found him accepting money from a billionaire and they thought he was selling Navy tech to the guy. He wasn't. The billionaire proved to be Derek's biological father. Derek's parents had a brief fling for a few weeks. His mother went on to marry someone else a few months later. She and her husband died. Bailey found his mother's diary in her things where she confessed everything and he went looking for his real father. He met him. They had a DNA test. And now they were bonding.

His dad even gave him the money for his engagement ring to Tanya. Davenport had no idea she was pregnant. He was excited about finally having a family and he admitted that he had been called after his son was abducted. The kidnapper wanted money. They wanted three million in an offshore bank account. Davenport was set to pay it when NCIS stopped him. They said there was no guarantee that he would get his son back if he paid. They wanted to look for the kidnapper. They were able to figure out who kidnapped Derek.

It was Mickey Steele. He works for Bold Ventures. He must have been a part of the team that followed Derek a week before he was taken and so he saw Derek meet up with his father. Mickey also must have realized that really kidnapping Derek was a huge payday. Something he would never see in real life. He took Derek. It took Davenport too long to come up with the money and so Steele got to Tanya. He figured Davenport would finally pay if his grandchild was threatened. And Davenport did.

He paid. He didn't get back his son or Tanya. NCIS went looking for Steele now that he knew who he was. They found him because he turned his phone on. They were able to get to him and they saved both Tanya and Derek. Tanya also admitted that she used to date Steele. She said he was really angry after they broke up. She thought that Steele was doing all of this out of revenge. Steele was killed by NCIS. And Tanya played the victim, but they didn't believe her story and they got Derek to get her to confess.

Tanya was never pregnant. She knew Derek would inherit billions as the only child of a billionaire. She arranged his kidnapping and she helped fake her own. NCIS later arrested her. And Derek felt so bad about the three million she stole from his dad that he thought his dad would be upset with him. Only he wasn't. Davenport was just glad to have his only child back alive. Both men were also relieved that Tanya wasn't pregnant because now they can move on with their lives.

And Torres admitted he has cheat days when he stayed with Parker and Parker got a little too crazy with a health kick.

The Plan

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Guest Stars: Russell Wong (Special Agent in Charge Feng Zhao), Jona Xiao (Dr. Mei Li), Massi Pregoni (Kenny the Manager), Jason Ko (NCIS Special Agent James Chen), Victor William Chen (Chinese Man), Michael J. Chen (Sailor #1), Larry Leong (Sailor #2), David Will No (Philip Tan (aka Hayou Tan))
Production Code: 21005
Summary: NCIS Special Agent in Charge Feng Zhao, Knight's father helps the team unravel the mystery of a recently used service weapon belonging to a missing agent. McGee is in a tailspin when DNA results reveal a close relative he was unaware of.



McGee's family started an online genealogy. It was his wife's idea. They thought they could discover their heritage together and Delilah wasn't wrong in convincing McGee into doing it as well. He found out he has some Danish ancestry. He also learned he has a secret half-sister.

Her name is Lauren Redding. DNA doesn't lie. She's his sister and McGee didn't know about her until he read about their family connection. He naturally assumed his father must have cheated, but

there were bigger things to worry about. NCIS was alerted that one of their own could be involved in a murder stateside.

The agent involved was NCIS Special Agent Chen. He works out of the Far East Office. He disappeared during the middle of an investigation and then his service weapon was used to murder someone. This someone being in Virginia. NCIS came to believe that Chen was still alive. They wanted to talk to him and it was proving hard to find him.

They then tried contacting his boss in the Far East Office only to learn he too was missing in action. NCIS Special Agent in Charge Feng Zhao was off the grid and there's no telling if he was involved in whatever Chen was doing.

Only Zhao's disappearance was a personal matter for NCIS Special Agent Jessica Knight. Zhao was her father. She thought he was safe at a desk and so hearing he disappeared sent her into a panic.

She kept calling him. She left him messages. She was hoping he would reach out to her if no one else. She wasn't hearing back from him and the investigation into Chen was moving ahead.

Chen disappeared off of a ship. He was undercover with a drugs operation when he went missing. He was assumed dead until the body showed up stateside.

The victim was a pilot operating out of the far east. NCIS was theorizing that Chen got this pilot to give him a ride stateside where he tried to cover his tracks.

They figured he must have killed the pilot to try and hide that he was back in the country as well as who else was on the flight. The team tracked Chen down to a cabin. They actually found his body inside. They spotted someone running from the scene and they followed this person until they were able to corner him. And that's when he revealed he was Knight's father.

Zhao didn't kill Chen. He said Chen was still on that vessel when he reported he had to help a woman. He said she was in danger and he couldn't leave her behind. The call got dropped after that. Chen used an explosive to blow a hole through the ship. He escaped on a lifeboat with the woman.

They got on a plane back stateside and he called Zhao to meet him at the cabin. By time Zhao showed up, Chen was dead. The mystery woman was gone. He had no idea what happened and so he ran when he heard people coming up the drive. He thought it could be the killers.

Zhao was detained. He was questioned by Director Vance. He thankfully had nothing to hide because he told Vance everything. Zhao was then put in charge of cleaning up his mess. It was his job to keep Chen in line and Chen went off the rails on his watch. Zhao has to clean it up or he risks finding himself out of a job.

He has to find Chen's killer. The Virginia office was going to assist him with apprehending the killer. Knight meanwhile went from being concerned about her father to being angry at him for not returning her calls.

She was sitting on a soap box until Jimmy showed up. Jimmy introduced himself to Zhao and the man didn't recognize him or his name. Knight seems to have kept her boyfriend a secret. It was one thing to not mention Jimmy at the start of their relationship, but things were getting serious. She should have told her father by now.

Jimmy thought she told her father when he noticed that Zhao doesn't recognize him in the slightest. He was very hurt by that. Zhao also figured out who Jimmy was by him being so nice to him.

Zhao even looked into him when they started following Chen's last movements. He found out Jimmy was a single father. He tried to remind his daughter about the "plan" and she told him to focus on the case. They found out Chen had lunch with the mystery woman. There was security footage of the two together. They got a photo of the woman.

Kasie also used facial recognition to identify her. While she was waiting for results, she was able to give McGee some good news. His father didn't cheat on his mother. His father was a sperm donor for a lesbian couple in Denmark.

Admiral McGee helped a couple start a family. He was a good guy. He did a good thing. McGee also has to tell his full-sister about their half-sister and things were going to go easier now that they know she wasn't an affair child. Anyways, the case took a turn when Knight and her father noticed they were being followed.

They tried to capture this man when he consumed a suicide pill designed as a jacket button. He killed himself. The team figured out he was tracking them because he too wanted to find the missing woman involved with Chen.

They had to get to the woman first. They later tracked her down to a motel. They brought her in and she would only talk to Zhao. The woman was Dr. Mei Li. She was a food scientist in China.

She found out that the Chinese were making a virus to be far deadlier than covid. She stole the virus and she tried to get stateside where she could help the Americans create a cure. She was paying to be smuggled on the drug vessel when she came across Chen. Chen agreed to help her. He got her back stateside and then he gets killed.

Mei goes on the run. She thought she had the virus in a secure lockbox in her backpack, but NCIS searched her when they found her and her backpack didn't have the lockbox or the virus. It turns out that the Chinese outsourced to a fast food manager to steal the virus from Mei. NCIS caught up to him first. They switched out the virus with chicken soup. They watched him as he went to his deal with the Chinese. And then everyone got arrested.

Knight's father was thinking about retirement. He nominated Knight to fill his spot because their "plan" was for her to work her way up to Director of NCIS. Zhao didn't believe Jimmy fit the plan. Its why Knight was keeping Jimmy a secret in the first place.

She was happy with her life. She no longer cares about the plan. She explained to Jimmy about it and he stopped being upset. And later she officially introduced him to her father as her boyfriend.

And even McGee met with his half-sister.

Strange Invaders

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Guest Stars: James Immekus (Daniel Silcott), J. Claude Deering (Curtis Hubley), Tommy Snider (Nestor Quinn), Mandy Levin (Congresswoman Shirley Ives), Iman Crosson (Navy Lieutenant Elliot Greene / Man), Cary Christopher (Kaiden Silcott / AI Kaiden), Tacey Adams (Grandma Avatar), Swati Kapila (CEO Tamara Hamilton), Robert Almodovar (Group Leader)
Production Code: 21006
Summary: After discovering a navy pilot's body riddled with unusual wounds, NCIS' investigation draws the team into the rabbit hole of UFO conspiracy theories.



Dr. Grace recommended that Special Agent Torres do something fun. Something that will spark joy. He thought he should throw an 80s theme party.

He was talking about it with Knight when they got called to the scene of a homicide. Naval Lt Elliot Greene had been murdered at his home.

He was shot several times. The killer might have used a helicopter or some flying object because he shot the victim through the high window.

There were no trees that go up that high in the nearby area. McGee checked. The only possible means of shooting from such a height in that neighborhood seemed to be flying plane or unidentified aircraft. Jimmy suggested an air balloon.

Jimmy also recognized the victim. The victim was recently testifying before congress. Greene went before congress to discuss his contact with an unidentified aerial phenomenon.

Otherwise known as aliens. Greene was a credible guy or at least he was before he went on record about aliens. He was a fighter pilot. He said he came across a flying plane that didn't look like a plane. It also seemed to anticipate his every move. He genuinely believed he came across aliens and aliens would explain his murder.

There were no bullets found in Greene. He was shot over ten times. There were no bullets found at the scene nor in the victim. There were only six exit wounds, but where did the bullets go?

It also had to be a modified gun because the holes in Greene didn't match anything they had on record. Jimmy took a sample from inside the wounds to send to Kasie. Kasie ran tests

on it and it showed that it was element 116. Something that doesn't exist on the earth. It also destroyed the system while it was being tested.

Naturally, everyone came to believe aliens killed Greene. It was either that or Russians somehow synthesized a material found in space to turn it into a weapon. Parker was hoping it was the Russians. Torres was hoping it was aliens. He mentioned that "Cocoon" was his favorite movie.

They looked into Greene and someone called him several times on the night he died. The call lasted less than two seconds every time. It was Daniel Silcott calling him. They were both a part of the UAP watch group. Daniel was calling him because he figured someone had to tell him there's been a sighting in his neighborhood.

Daniel never reached him because he kept getting static each time he called. It was like someone was blocking Greene's phone. Greene also couldn't expect calls from anyone else in the group because the others all hated him. They were pulling in good money to help them search for aliens.

That all dried up after Greene testified before congress. There were some that didn't want to be connected to a laughing stock such as Greene. And that's why the group came to blame Greene for their misfortunes.

They needed eyes on the group. McGee and Knight were chosen to go in undercover. Torres was supposed to keep watch from a parked car only he lost consciousness and woke up two miles away. He doesn't know how he got there. He was woken up by his friends after they searched for him for six hours.

Torres had no idea where he went. The car's GPS didn't track his movements nor did his cell phone. Torres was searched back at headquarters. They found a sedative in his blood. He also thought he smelled his grandmother's feet.

Her feet smelled awful like whiteout. Kasie was able to piece together that Torres was drugged and taken to a closed down whiteout factory nearby to where he disappeared.

There they found a private investigator. Only he wasn't a good guy. He intentionally joined the UAP group because it was his job to discredit Greene. He was hired to make him look crazy. He's the one that had Greene believing in aliens. The guy doesn't know who hired him. He was contacted via text. He just followed orders to get paid. He was paid to discredit Greene.

NCIS learned that Greene's friend Daniel had looked into the private investigator. He hacked the man's phone. He just didn't send the text messages. Daniel said that Greene saw an unmanned drone. This drone could think for itself and it can kill for itself. Daniel would know because he created it.

Daniel created artificial intelligence that would grow on its own. He needed money and it was for his dissertation. He was hired by a group out of Sri Lanka. They proved to be a gray market weapons developer and they took his AI off to sell it to the highest bidder.

Daniel has a backdoor into the system. He checked it after he heard Greene's congressional hearing. Daniel modeled the AI after his late son, Kaiden. Kaiden died in a car accident at seven years old. Daniel was able to connect to him and he learned who was trying to discredit Greene.

It was Congresswoman Shirley Ives. Ives wanted to buy the tech for America. She asked for a demonstration. The demonstration involved an unwitting Greene. Greene started talking about it to everyone and there was a UN sanction against such a weapon much less buying one. And so she tried to discredit him.

The weapons developer planned on making thousands of AI drones. They could be a killing force. There was only one way to stop it now that they no longer believe they can sell it to the United States.

Daniel had to use his kill code. He built into the system. He didn't want to use it because he had already buried his son once and he couldn't kill what remained of him, but he was able to say goodbye to him and he used the kill code. It stopped the AI. It also made sure that no weapon could be used with it.

There was just one thing that stood out. It was Element 116. There was no factory that could work with it and the weapons developers didn't have that tech when they were arrested. And so where did it come from?

And will McGee have to shave his goatee now that no one voted for him to keep it?

A Thousand Yards

Season 21

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Guest Stars:	Vanessa Lachey (Jane Tennant), Daniela Ruah (Kensi Blye), Spence Moore II (Jared Vance), T.J. Thyne (Fletcher Voss), Shelby Flannery (Lindsey Wexler), J. Claude Deering (Curtis Hubley), Jeremy John Wells (Agent William Baer Jr.), Joe Spano (Tobias 'T.C.' Fornell), Derek Phillips Jr. (Nine-year-old Jared Vance)
Production Code:	21007
Summary:	NCIS comes under attack by a mysterious enemy from the past. Vance tries to mend fences with his estranged son by explaining why, despite the ongoing dangers of his job, he still chooses to stay at NCIS.



Director Vance was the father of two children. His daughter followed in his footsteps. Kayla joined NCIS. His son was a different story. He and Jared don't speak. Vance has to learn about his son through his daughter. He hasn't seen his son in months until they ran into each other at his late wife's grave.

Vance was telling his late wife everything that's changed when Jared interrupted him. Jared came to see his mom as well. He brought along flowers. He didn't want to get into it with his dad, but

he did anyways because he felt his dad has given too much to NCIS. And he was worried about what else it would take from them.

Jared's concerns were valid. Especially after tonight. His father was shot at his mother's grave. Jared didn't hear a gun nor did he realize his father was shot at first. It took the Director collapsing for Jared to see that he was bleeding from his back. He had been shot from a sniper rifle. Its why Jared didn't hear anything.

Jared also mapped out where he and his father was standing for NCIS. He wanted to be helpful. He remembered everything when most people would have forgotten in the heat of the moment. Jared came in handy when Parker and his team took over the case.

Parker went to the hospital with McGee. He sent Knight and Torres to the crime scene. Kasie and Palmer also stopped by the hospital to get an update on the Director's condition. While they were there, Kasie got the bullet. She was going to head back to her office to run tests and that's when it happened.

There was a terrorist attack in Washington DC. Knight and Torres saw the whole thing. They managed to track down the roof where the sniper set up his weapon. They were up there looking for evidence when they saw fires sprouting up all around the city.

There were three explosions that went off. One was at the Morrow family crypt at the same cemetery that the Director's late wife was buried. The second explosion was at a medical complex right outside of Dr. Rachel Cranston's office. The third explosion was at Fornell's garage. Someone was targeting NCIS and they went after their history.

Morrow was the Director of NCIS before Vance. Rachel was McGee's former partner's sister. She also helped with several cases. As for Fornell, he's been saving NCIS for almost twenty years.

The explosions didn't happen until Torres and Knight were on that roof. Their sniper wanted them to get the best view of the attacks. They also weren't done. The Director made it out of his surgery. He appointed McGee as Acting Director while he recovers. No sooner did that happen that Jared apologized to McGee for his dad. He said that other people shouldn't put their families at risk like his dad did. It was an odd way to view their careers and he said it right before McGee got an alert about an attack at his apartment.

There were several other alerts right after that. Parker's apartment was targeted. Along with everyone else at NCIS. The alerts were all faked. They thought their system must have been hacked. They use an app called Bandium to stay on guard. The app was created by Fletcher Voss. McGee asked the man himself to come in once he made sure his family got to his in-laws just fine. Voss was considered a visionary. Only he was also just plain weird. He's been forced out of every company he's ever started. He was funding a private trip to the moon. Bandium was his last chance.

Voss wanted to sell Bandium to NCIS. He was hoping to have it used in every office. Which could be a problem now that they know it can be hacked. They asked to look at his servers. He tried to stall them because he said that their servers hold proprietary information. They basically told them they either see it or it never gets used again in another governmental agency. Voss was working on getting them servers when they realize how whoever was doing this knew where Vance would be.

The person doing this was a woman named Lindsey Wexler. She started an online profile on a dating site and she got close to Jared. The same Jared that was angry at his dad. He needed to vent to someone.

He figured why not with the woman that seemed perfect. He was used. He was so angry after his girlfriend was arrested. He thought the agents were suspecting the wrong person until he learned a little bit more about Lindsey. Lindsey has been spouting anti-NCIS messages for years. She met someone on a forum a couple of months ago named "GravitasMons".

This person fed her faked documents that accuse NCIS of numerous monstrosities. This included mass murder. Kasie saw the files and she proved they were all fake. Anyone could have proved they were fake with a computer. Lindsey didn't even bother to research most of these crimes. She just went along because she already had an agenda. The team tracked down the person she was speaking with and they identified him as Voss. They thought Voss was the mastermind only they were wrong.

Voss didn't play Lindsey. She played him. She knew she was being used. She planted a virus on his cell phone so that she could hack NCIS. She led everything back to him because she figured he would be a great fall guy. The only thing she didn't see coming was Fornell. Fornell recognized a quote she used.

He said he heard it once before. He heard it from a case over twenty years ago. It was the case involving the terrorist named Leonard Rish. Rish was a sleeper agent that tried to kill people on Air Force One.

Lindsey was once Lindsey Rish. Her mom changed their names after her father was killed by Gibbs. Lindsey must have found his manifesto and read them.

She came to hate NCIS for stopping her father. So, when Voss entered the picture, she hacked him knowing he was about to go on Air Force One. Her plan was take down the plane with the president on board. NCIS called the Secret Service. They told them not to take off and they were going to ignore it because they didn't understand the significant hack.

NCIS had to literally stand in front of the plane to stop it taking off. They checked the plane. It had been hacked. They saved the president's life and now they can rack up the charges for Lindsey.

Voss also wasn't getting off either. He tried to get Lindsey to kill Vance because Vance was stopping NCIS from using Badium in all of their offices. Badium was his last company. He didn't

want to lose it or go bankrupt. He was now facing charges. And the whole thing just made Jared realize he needs to talk to his dad.

Jared stopped by the hospital while the rest of the team was congratulating Curtis. Curtis was one of the basement trolls. He wanted to become an active agent and so he shadowed them on this case hoping to get a recommendation to become a probie. And he got that after tracing the hack.

Heartless

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Guest Stars: Christina Kirk (Dr. Clara Logan), Juan Javier Cardenas (Carlos 'El Viento' Savina), Tim Russ (Dr. Erik Harper), Krishna Smitha (Dr. Carrie Moran), Jake B. Miller (Jim), Michael Monasterio (Miguel Ortega), Mathew Yanagiya (Resident Ryan Cross), Calida Jones (Resident Alicia Tankersley), George Tsai (Nurse Keith Johnson), Alfred K. Chow (Driver), Ethan Corn (Physician)
Production Code: 21008
Summary: NCIS team looks for a motive behind the kidnapping and death of a famous heart surgeon.



NCIS Special Agent Aldean Parker was injured. He plays basketball with Torres at the gym. They were in the lead for the upcoming championship and suddenly he came to work with a sniff neck. He could barely move. He couldn't bend down. It made things hard for him when he attended the next case.

They were brought in when the body of Navy Commander Erik Harper was found. He was a world renown heart surgeon. He belonged to the Navy Medical Core. He was working at a hospital when he got

grabbed during a food run. He was taken and he was forced to do surgery on someone. This someone being an unknown. And afterwards Erik was killed.

NCIS didn't know about the surgery at first. They simply thought it odd that his kidnappers would kill him after transporting him over two hundred miles. Jimmy also noticed the blood on Erik didn't belong to him. Erik was shot in the head.

There was no exit wound and so the blood on his scrubs must have belonged to someone else, but Kasie was the one that found an anesthetic commonly used in surgery in the blood found on Erik. She confirmed that Erik performed surgery on someone. The blood wasn't a match for anyone in the database and so the criminal was off the grid.

Erik specialized in removing tumors around the heart. He was known for never losing a patient. NCIS spoke to his partner and fellow servicemen.

Dr. Claire Logan was used to working by Erik's side. She said he was one of the most gifted surgeons she ever met. Erik once successfully performed surgery in a tent. Anything after that was considered an upgrade. Erik also helped in his own murder investigation. He walked around with a mini recorder. It was the only thing of value found in the getaway van used to transport him.

The van was a burnt out husk. The kidnapers had even plenty several items to lead investigators down the wrong road. The one thing they didn't count on was the mini recorder or that Erik recorded them. He got some of their conversation. It was South American Spanish. Torres translated it.

He and Parker also heard "El Viento". The nickname was a known alias for Carlos Savina. He was the head of the Cali Cartel. Many agencies have tried to get him. He's always disappeared. Its why he was known as "the wind".

If Savina was in town, he has to give himself at least three days to recover. He ruthlessly killed the man that saved his life and he couldn't afford to take any more risks. Or he might undo Erik's hard work. The team went digging through Erik's life to see if he was followed. Knight learned that Eric had stopped performing surgeries. He was teaching residents. He just wasn't doing surgery and its odd he would step away when he's famous for saving lives. It was because he developed a tremor in his hands.

Erik was seeking treatment for it. He wouldn't have risked a patient and so there's a chance that he stopped surgery in the middle. Heart surgery was a delicate thing.

Erik could have left Savina open on the table if his tremors got out of hand. It would explain why he had been murdered and dumped like that. It would also mean that Savina still needs a surgeon.

Parker was talking to Logan again when Savina's men broke into her office. They kidnapped Logan. Parker pretended to be a doctor because he was outgunned. He let the bad guys think he was the only one that could help Logan perform surgery.

Savina's men kidnapped both. They took both Logan and Parker. Parker was counting on his team finding them before he actually had to help perform surgery and so Logan played the pessimist to his blind faith. She reminded Parker that she's never performed a surgery so tough without Erik. She saw Savina's scans.

They showed her how large the tumor was. It's the largest she's ever seen. She didn't think she could handle it on her own much less at gunpoint. She was going to give Parker some advice only the bad guys opened the doors before she could finish the sentence.

Parker just knew he had to act like a surgeon. He couldn't exactly learn heart surgery on the fly. He had to be arrogant and condescending. Like the surgeons on his favorite show, Grey's Anatomy.

Savina's people brought them to a warehouse. There was a state of the art operating room created in that warehouse. Savina was already on the table when they arrived. He basically questioned Parker because Parker claimed to be Dr. Trowbridge. He's never of that man. It was actually a name he got from a spy movie and Logan was the only one to realize it.

Logan recognized many of his backstory being from movies. They were sharing a moment about it when his team finally showed up. NCIS took out of most of the bad guys.

Parker took out the last gunman. Savina was transferred to a nearby hospital. They saved his life and he was now under arrest. Director Vance was happy with the news. Savina killed a couple of NCIS Agents in one of the many raids he faced and Vance was happy to give the families' closure.

And Torres solved Parker's neck problem by giving him a hug so tight it straightened the spine.

Prime Cut

Season 21
Episode Number: 466
Season Episode: 9

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Guest Stars: Margo Harshman (Delilah Fielding), Antoni Corone (Carl Bannon), Rose Portillo (Sheriff Jo), Jonathan Keltz (Jackson Bannon), Marnee Carpenter (Alma), Jennifer Jalene (Marine Major Diane Vicks), Burgandi Trejo Phoenix (Rachel Calley), Jerry Kernion (Pastor Alan), Matthew Downs (Bill Norian), Elisa Donovan (Carol), Lincoln A. Castellanos (Exterminator Marty)
Production Code: 21009
Summary: After discovering the remains of a Marine captain, the NCIS team travels to Texas to interrogate the suspected killer.



McGee was talking about remodeling the kitchen with his wife. Delilah hates their current kitchen. Nothing works. It was all falling apart. She was fine with the kitchen before they had the twins and the twins dirtied it up. They also broke a few things. Now she was ready for a remodel.

They couldn't really afford that at the moment because the twins were coming close to summer camp season. Those weren't cheap. They also needed to afford a family vacation this year.

McGee didn't want to push those back because of a kitchen remodel even if they do need one. He tried talking to his friends about it at work and Parker warned him against a remodel. He said his own marriage didn't last because of one.

The team was called in when the dismembered body of Marine Captain Tom Riley was found. It was found behind a dumpster. It was clearly murder.

The victim was killed within the last two days. It just didn't make sense because Tom was allegedly dead for over two years. He supposedly died in an accident in San Diego. He was one of four marines coming back from a training session when their helicopter flew into some bad weather. It crashed over the water. Everyone on that helicopter was assumed dead.

Tom was the pilot of the helicopter. It was believed he might have been drunk during the accident. Tom had serious issues. He had more disciplinary actions than his Commanding Officer would like to admit.

They had no idea what to do with him when the accident happened and he probably realized he could start over. Which he did. Tom assumed a fake identity. He became known as Tom Wade. He moved to Texas. His apartment in a small town down there had been broken into. The sheriff called Tom about it and she never heard back.

For some reason, Tom traveled to the DC area recently. There was no explanation. He doesn't have family there. They couldn't find a hotel reservation. He came and was killed.

The question was why. The person that killed Tom was experienced. The body was cut up by a professional. There was also blood on the knife wounds that didn't belong to Tom. It could either be the killer's blood or belong to another victim. Knight and Torres were sent to Texas to find out about Tom's life down there. They easily found the sheriff who also ran the local hotel.

The sheriff had no inkling that Tom was living under a fake identity. She didn't know him well. They said a few hellos and that was it. She did know that Tom was working for the Bannons.

The Bannons were the biggest cattle ranchers in the state of Texas. They were a big deal in town. They carry a lot of weight. The cattle ranch was known as "Fire Creek". It was run by Carl Bannon. Carl claims not to know Tom personally. He hires over seventy employees to work the ranch. He also allowed NCIS to talk to everyone.

Carl's son didn't like that. His son lied about knowing Tom well. He also tried to get the NCIS's questions cleared beforehand with the lawyers. His father said he had nothing to hide and he gave the feds full permission to speak to everyone. Torres found out from one of the ranchers that Tom had something to hide.

Tom came to the farm one night. He loaded a bunch of boxes. He later lied about that when the woman that saw him asked him about it. He denied being on the ranch that night.

Torres and Knight followed up on the boxes he took. It was apparently clothes and toys. Tom donated the boxes to the local church. The church was flooded. They were operating out of a little room in town. They needed all the help they could find. Tom was helping them. He found God. He was in recovery from booze.

He lied about being on the ranch that night because he was with someone that night. He was with Carl's son. Yeah, the son was gay. He didn't think his father would understand and so he and Tom kept their relationship secret.

The son wasn't ready to betray the father. Only he did mention that his father's acquisition of Bluebonnet Ranch wasn't above board. He was the family's lawyer and his father didn't want his involvement in that deal. This was important because NCIS believe Carl killed Tom. Not personally.

They think Carl ordered it. NCIS learned from Tom's pastor that he found evidence against the Bannons. He went to DC to report it because the Bannons have all the local officials in Texas in their back pocket. This was connected to the Bluebonnet Ranch acquisition.

The Bluebonnet Ranch was once owned by a family. Carl wanted their ranch. He intentionally set fire to it and he forced the owners to sell the ranch to him for basic pennies.

There were witnesses that saw members of Carl's ranch near Bluebonnet Ranch on the day of the fire. The witnesses were paid off. The investigation into the arson went nowhere when the investigator was paid off. It was all connected back to Carl. They were tracking down the wire transfers. They were looking into the witnesses.

They tried talking to Carl again. It went nowhere because he quickly lawyered up. He has an army of lawyers and he was going to stonewall them for as long as possible.

It turns out he wasn't the one calling the shots though. One of his ranchers had been smuggling drugs through the meat carcasses they sent to the meat plant in DC. Tom found the drugs one night while he was looking for donations for the church. He goes to DC to report it at meat plant and those involved had him killed. Carl didn't know anything about the drug smuggling.

Except his ranch wasn't going to survive it. He barely did because his rancher shot him before trying to make an escape. NCIS found too much evidence against Carl. He'll be facing charges. Torres caught up to the shooter and arrested her as well. And Carl's son was ready to let the ranch go, he wanted to start over somewhere new where he could be free.

Delilah meanwhile changed her mind about remodeling. She signed them up for a reality show that would have paid for it and they were unfortunately too tame for reality tv.

The producers wanted drama. The McGees couldn't provide it. The reality dropped them and they were going to do the remodel themselves when Delilah changed her mind. The kitchen was full of memories. She didn't want to let that go or lose her kids' height chart on the wall.

Reef Madness

Season 21
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Season Episode: 10

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Guest Stars: Adam Ferrara (Sammy Craig), Bruce Nozick (Lacy), Matthew Yang King (Michael Chang), Michael Monks (Edgar), Gabriella Piazza (Molly Mackin), Kent Shocknek (ZNN News Anchor Guy Ross), Tammi Mac (Janice), Mackenzie Firgens (Mother), Milo Cragnotti (Young Parker), Kensie Mills (Lily / Little Girl)
Production Code: 21010
Summary: Parker and Knight discover three bodies on an old Navy ship that's about to be sunk and turned into an artificial reef, when they're suddenly locked inside by a mysterious figure. Vance offers Knight a unique opportunity.



An old Navy ship was getting recycled. They were going to turn it into an artificial reef. It was going to become a part of the sea and become a habitat for wildlife. It was going to be a great thing. Only the company behind it ran into some issues.

They were giving a tour of the old navy ship when they came across a body. Than another body. Than a third body. Three people were killed and dumped on the ship. The ship was no longer operated by navy personnel. It was sold to the company called Aquabitat. The company had

the ship at a local dockyard. It was guarded by one man.

It turns out the guy went on a bathroom break. During his break, someone boarded the ship with three bodies and dumped them there. The guy from Aquabitat thought it was a mob dumping ground. He blamed the whole thing on the dock owner. He also was very upset about the tv interview.

They found the bodies during a tv interview. He was giving tour to the host. The tv show became all about the bodies and not about the artificial reef. The tv show host even had to apologize to the audience because he cursed live on air.

No one knew those bodies were there until they found them together. NCIS was called in because now people were connecting a navy ship to the mob. They came.

They started investigating. They identified one of the victims as Thomas Mackin. He was reported missing by his wife. She called when he never made it home after his business trip. She said her husband has a gambling problem. He tried to hide it from her and she found out about it. And she didn't like it. She said his bookie was Sammy. Sammy ran a food truck called Sloppy Joe's Sammy.

Torres and McGee looked into Sammy. Knight and Parker went back to the ship. They were looking for evidence when they got attacked and locked inside of the ship.

It came after Knight had a horrible argument with Jimmy. Jimmy didn't take it well when he heard she was offered a job promotion. The promotion was on the other side of the country. Knight applied for the position once she lost her REACT team. It was just coming through now after a few years. Knight didn't accept it right away because she wanted to discuss it with Jimmy first.

But Jimmy got upset when he heard about it. He said already lost Breena. He lost Gibbs. He lost Ducky. His teenage daughter was pulling away from him and so of course Knight was going to leave him too. He mentioned he wanted to be in control the next time a relationship ended.

He did his best to push Knight away. She didn't know what to do. Should she take the job? She turned down the last job opportunity to stay with Jimmy. Jimmy couldn't keep expecting her to do that and that's why he's pushing her away.

Knight was discussing it with Parker when they got attacked. They were locked inside of the ship. They might be stuck there when the ship explodes and to make matters worst Parker's leg had gotten trapped. Knight took forever freeing him. She managed to do it by getting angry at Jimmy.

It brought out her She-Hulk skills. She moved the beam that was on Parker's leg only that's when his leg started bleeding. He had been punctured somewhere on his leg. They had to stop the bleed or he could die before help arrived.

Luckily, their team did wonder where they were. Torres and McGee were able to rule out the bookie. Thomas had cleaned out the bookie during playoffs and so Sammy owed him money.

Money he no longer has to pay now that Thomas was dead. Which was a motive. It just didn't lead anywhere. Sammy had nothing against the other two victims. The other two were a homeless man and a teacher. They have nothing in common. Sammy didn't even know the others. He also had an alibi. He wasn't their killer.

McGee and Torres later found evidence that the female teacher knew Tommy. They have photos together. The photos were ripped up and so their relationship ended on a sour note.

The agents stopped looking into the victims when they heard that two of their own were missing. They started looking for them. Their car was parked right in front of Sammy's house. Someone was truly trying to frame him for the murders. The only person who kept pointing them in his direction was Thomas's wife. The now widow. The same one that reported him missing.

The wife must have found out about his affair with the teacher. She killed them both. She might have just killed homeless guy who was an accidental witness.

The agents went to talk to her. Jimmy went with them. He was concerned about Knight. He didn't want his last words to her being a breakup. He was really sorry about what he said. He didn't realize until afterwards that he made her promotion all about him. He didn't even congratulate her or anything and so he wanted the chance to make it right with her.

The agents found the wife. Molly was trying to leave town. She was with her uncle, the dock owner. It was his idea to stash the bodies on the ship. His niece killed her husband's lover.

He then killed her husband. They were driving to the dockyard when they hit the homeless man. They ditch all the bodies on the ship. He only realized later on that he left his watch on the ship. He went back for it and that's when he ran into the agents. The uncle locked them in the engine room. Both niece and uncle were arrested. The agents went back to the ship and they rescued everyone.

Parker lost a lot of blood. He was taken to a hospital where he woke up. He was going to be fine. Knight tried to ask him who was Lily? Parker called out for Lily when he almost died. He saw her. He remembered her. He pretended like he didn't know what Knight was talking about and so he gets to keep his secrets for now.

And Knight took the job promotion.

Season

Empty Nest

Season 22
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Season Episode: 1

Originally aired: Monday October 14, 2024
Writer: Christopher J. Waild
Director: Diana Valentine
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Guest Stars: Seamus Dever (Inspector General Gabriel LaRoche), Gabriel Burchafato (Reverend Edward Pike), Elizabeth Frances (Special Agent Jodie Moreno), Sam Duffy (Elmo Miller), Gilbert Chayrez-Chavarria (Male REACT Agent), Jackie Tohn (Counselor Celia Ross)
Production Code: 22001
Summary: NCIS searches for a missing undercover agent in the midst of an active hostage situation.



The episode opens with a startling scenario: Jessica Knight holding a priest hostage, an unexpected turn for a character known for defusing such situations. This sets the tone for a season that promises to explore the complexities of the characters' personal and professional lives. Knight's actions are driven by her conviction that the priest is actually El Padre, the head of the Nexus cartel, a theory that will become a central plot point.

Meanwhile, Alden Parker finds himself in an empty bullpen, a stark reminder of

the team's fragmented state. Kasie Hines and Jimmy Palmer are left to navigate the challenges of the NCIS headquarters without the usual support of their teammates. Palmer, in particular, is dealing with the emotional fallout of his breakup with Knight, a subplot that adds a layer of personal drama to the season's opener.

The absence of Nick Torres, who has been undercover with a local fentanyl dealer, and Tim McGee, busy with his quest for the NCIS deputy director position, adds to the tension. McGee's storyline introduces a new antagonist, DOJ Inspector General Gabriel LaRoche, whose aggressive unhelpfulness and condescension towards NCIS foreshadow a challenging relationship ahead.

The episode's action intensifies as Parker and Knight work together to locate Torres, who has been made and is in danger of being forced to prove his loyalty to the cartel through a hit. Their rescue attempt is a masterclass in teamwork and quick thinking, with Knight sacrificing her car to create a diversion and Parker using the opportunity to free Torres. However, Torres insists on staying undercover to prevent the hit and capture El Padre, a decision that speaks to his dedication and the moral complexities of his role.

The episode also explores the possibility of a mole within NCIS, as LaRoche confirms that the agency has been under investigation due to suspicious financial activities. This revelation adds a layer of intrigue and suspicion that will undoubtedly be a significant part of the season's overarching storyline.

In a dramatic twist, Knight is offered a promotion to the Office of Strategic Support, a position she has always wanted. However, she ultimately decides to return to her team in D.C., a choice that speaks to her loyalty and the importance of the team dynamic in NCIS. This decision is met with mixed reactions, particularly from Palmer, who is seen dusting off Knight's desk in anticipation of her return.

The premiere ends on a cliffhanger, with LaRoche being appointed as the new deputy director, a development that is sure to have significant implications for the team. His presence introduces a new dynamic to the NCIS leadership, and his initial interactions with McGee suggest a potentially contentious relationship.

Foreign Bodies

Season 22
Episode Number: 469
Season Episode: 2

Originally aired: Monday October 21, 2024
Writer: Marco Schnabel
Director: Lionel Coleman
Show Stars: Sean Murray (NCIS Senior Special Agent Timothy McGee), Wilmer Valderrama (NCIS Special Agent Nick Torres), Katrina Law (NCIS Special Agent Jessica Knight), Brian Dietzen (Chief Medical Examiner Jimmy Palmer), Diona Reasonover (Forensic Scientist Kasie Hines), Rocky Carroll (NCIS Director Leon Vance), Gary Cole (FBI Special Agent Alden Park)
Guest Stars: Maren Hassler (Lena Paulsen), Carlos Gómez (Admiral Carlos Mendoza), Czarina Mireles (Robyn Kael), Lyduan Gonzalez (Fernando Vega), Jessica Gardner (Olivia Kahn), Danny Max (TV Reporter), Zeke Alton (Detective)
Production Code: 22002
Summary: As Vance prepares to host diplomatic talks with Venezuela, the team is called in to investigate the dead body of one of his inside men.



NCIS was in charge of security at a high-profile event. Some delegates from the Venezuelan Navy were visiting DC.

They were hoping to come to an agreement with the American Navy that would allow both nations to learn from each other and trade intel as well weapons. Director Vance was going to be a prominent figure at the negotiations. NCIS was supposed to protect him however they were too late to protect one of their own.

Diego Barreto was US Navy. He was also undercover with the Venezuelan gov-

ernment. He managed to climb up through their ranks. He traveled to the states with them. He was meeting with Vance before the official negotiations when he died.

Diego died horribly. He bled everywhere. Vance tried to save him and couldn't. It left the Director with an unfortunate situation. Vance couldn't call 911.

He couldn't let the Venezuelans know that he was speaking with one of their own off the books. It would lead to them wondering why Barreto? Why did he have to secretly talk to Barreto?

Barreto's cover was technically still safe as long as everyone doesn't dig too deep into his fake background and so Vance reached out to Parker. It was Parker that came up with an idea to get them out of this situation.

Parker called his team. He also called Jimmy. They were going to sneak Barreto out of the building in a body bag, It was going well until Vance's secretary felt bad for the camera crews.

There were several news stations that was covering the visit from the Venezuelans. They were supposed to be outside for a press conference, but Vance's secretary didn't want to leave them out in the rain. She invited them indoors. She didn't know about the dead guy in Vance's office. She allowed the news station to film and take photos of everything.

It was a miracle they managed to sneak out a body under those conditions. Much less clean up the blood in Vance's office. The team really did come together for this one.

They were left waiting to hear back when Barreto's body was officially found because they wanted this case. The team was investigating what little information Barreto gave before he died. Barreto told Vance that a prominent member of the Venezuelan team was trying to sabotage the talks with the American government.

The undercover agent never had the chance to name this saboteur because that's when the poison kicked in.

Barreto was poisoned in the United States. The team gave some of his blood samples to Kasie. She quickly realized that this murder took place in Vance's office and she promised to keep quiet.

She also confirmed that poison was fast-acting. It meant he couldn't have been poisoned before his trip. He had to have been injected while he was stateside. Then the call came in. NCIS was informed about Barreto's death. He was found by a maid and so what stumped the team was the fact that there was a second body in the hotel room.

McGee said the second body wasn't there when they dropped off Barreto. There was no identification on the body. No one knew who the other guy was. Jimmy was even saying this was bad because there's no way they could cover up the murder of two men. There was also a journalist snooping around.

Her name was Robyn Kael. She somehow found out about Barreto's death before the Venezuelan government did. She also demanded to know what Director Vance was hiding. Parker had her escorted from the building, but it was getting harder to cover up this crime.

Both bodies were taken back to NCIS. Jimmy did the autopsy on both. He had a Venezuelan guard watch his every move. The Venezuelan government wanted oversight with this investigation.

The Americans were playing along until Jimmy identified the second victim. The second victim was Dimitry Yorgi. He was an Eastern European hitman. He was known for using poisons. He was killed hours after Barreto. Which indicated that Yorgi killed Barreto. Yorgi was then killed to cover up the part he played in Barreto's death.

Or so they thought.

The team looked into Barreto's last movements. They saw he was in frequent contact with Fernando Vega. Vega's brother was killed by an American ops team. He has ample reason to not want this alliance with Americans to go through. Vega's fingerprints were also found on Yorgi's neck. NCIS located Vega.

He was meeting with someone. Both were ultimately arrested. Vega was meeting with Lena Paulson. Vance's Lena Paulson. They were friends with benefits. She was in town because she was acting as an UN representative. And she lied to Vance when she said she left Germany's spy ring.

Lena was still representing BND. She was called back in because Vega was her asset. Vega and Barreto had adjoining rooms. When Vega overheard someone moving around Barreto's room, he checked and he found Yorgi take photos of the body. Vega interrupted him. They got into a fight that ended with Vega killing Yorgi.

He then called his handler to report what happened. Vance was mad at Lena for keeping secrets. She was mad at him for keeping secrets. The relationship might not recover after this.

Vance was wondering about his future when the team realized who was the mastermind. The mastermind was the journalist. Kael was no longer working for the paper.

She was also the source that Knight gave the tidbit to. NCIS fed the journalist information about ramping up security for the negotiations as means of flushing out the mastermind, but all they did was put Kael on guard. She abducted Lena. She was threatening to kill Lena if Vance didn't call off negotiations with the Venezuelans.

Kael even sent a proof of life video. Kael was radicalized by Hezbollah and so she didn't want the American government to spread its reach in the world. Only NCIS soon found Kael. She was dumb enough not to remove Lena's smartwatch. The one that can be tracked. Kael was taken down and the team learned she wasn't their killer.

She didn't kill Barreto or order it. Venezuelan Admiral Carlos Mendoza killed Barreto. He was in charge of negotiating with Director Vance. He risked that to kill Barreto. Mendoza killed him because Barreto was sleeping with his wife. He wanted revenge and did it in a different country so that his own people wouldn't figure it out.

He didn't count on NCIS. They found evidence of Mendoza's involvement and he was quietly going to quit. And return to his native country to face charges.

As for Vance, he realized that he wants something more with Lena. They agreed to finally give the relationship a chance and it helps that she really was going to walk away from the BND this time.

The Trouble with Hal

Season 22

Episode Number: 470

Season Episode: 3

Originally aired: Monday October 28, 2024
Writer: Scott A. Williams
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Guest Stars: Donna Mills (Wanda Prescott), Justin Bruening (Lieutenant Bryce Prescott), Dominic Burgess (Leonard), Chrissie Fit (Mary Evans), Paul Zies (Big Bark), Christopher Dukes (Phil), Ck Bolado (Ray)
Production Code: 22003
Summary: NCIS is called in to investigate when a lieutenant returns home on Halloween Eve to find a surprise party being thrown for someone else at his home.



It's Halloween! NCIS were hoping to head home early when they got a call about a brawl. The brawl involved Navy SEAL Lieutenant Bryce Prescott. He came home one day to find a bunch of strangers there and they claimed they were throwing a surprise party for Hal. Hal being the real owner.

Only Hal doesn't live there. He was a squatter. He moved himself in once Bryce was deployed. NCIS suspected he was hiding now that the real homeowner returned and they were wrong about that.

Hal didn't get a chance to move out. He was murdered in the house. The house he didn't own and one his friends felt belonged to him. And not to the lieutenant.

Bryce proved he was the homeowner. He also had to prove that he just came back stateside. He doesn't know Hal was or what he was doing in his house. He just wanted to go to sleep.

Yet, the murder investigation put a stop to all plans of relaxation. Hal was found murdered in the basement. He was bludgeoned to death. He was doing secret construction at Bryce's house and that wasn't the worst of it. Hal was not his real name. His real name was Felix Pitts. He has a record. He was going by an assumed name and was squatting in a house he didn't own.

No one knows what he was up to. The people at the surprise party were all Mary's friends. She was Hal's girlfriend. She hadn't been dating the victim for long. They were still in the honeymoon phase. The only troubling sign was when "Hal" ran into an old friend. The friend went by the nickname "Big Bark".

Hal owned the guy money. The two were apparently cellmates. Big Bark loaned Hal a lot of money. Hal kept saying he'd pay him back only Big Bark found out he was renting that house. He figured if he had enough money to do that then he could also pay off his debt.

NCIS didn't know Hal was renting. Bryce didn't put it up for rent. He inherited the house from his grandmother and he hasn't changed anything since he moved in. Bryce just left out one little detail.

He didn't mention his grandmother is Wanda Prescott. She was the wife of billionaire, Gavin Prescott. Gavin was worth two billion at his death. He was considered a bit eccentric. He donated lots of money. He died a few years ago and his wife inherited the old house. His wife Wanda was an antiques dealer. She left the house for her grandson.

Wanda had no clue that someone put the house for rent under her name. The person that did that was her money manager. Leonard felt he was underpaid. He was trying to make some extra cash by putting the house for sale while its new owner was deployed. As for Bryce, he was a good guy. He wanted to make it in the world on his own.

The only thing he was willing to accept from grandma was the house he was raised in. He was the best of the grandchildren. The other grandchildren don't bother to call or visit. And that's why Leonard didn't place their houses for rent.

Leonard got the whole idea when a squatter moved into the family's cabin. They got the person out. Someone not being Leonard put the house for rent as a spooky cabin and Hal was connected to that house as well. Hal was a firm believer in get rich quick schemes. He's been breaking into the Prescott's homes looking for treasure.

Its why he started construction at Bryce's home. He was trying to rob the place of all valuables. It was just his luck that none of that was found in Bryce's home because he didn't care about the money.

Hal got the idea from a magazine article. It was an interview with Gavin and Wanda. Gavin accidentally said he had hidden treasures all throughout the house. He meant mementos. Things that reminded him of his children, but he was eccentric and people started to believe they could get rich by robbing the house.

There were so many break-ins that Gavin spent a fortune to pull the article. The magazine issue was supposed to have disappeared for good and so Wanda was curious how Hal found it.

They found that article along with other evidence in Hal's storage locker. He really thought he could get rich by robbing the homes. He was killed before he realized how dumb he was and no one knew who put the cabin for rent.

The cabin wasn't haunted or anything. There was a fire in the 80s. Its since been rebuilt. It was only known for being haunted because Gavin was messing around one day. He claimed it was haunted. People began to believe it was haunted. It kept most people away and so its odd that it would be put up for rent. Or that NCIS found Mary robbing the place.

Mary was Hal's girlfriend, remember. She claimed she didn't know anything about his secret life. She was arrested for the robbery and she revealed all. She loaned Hal nine hundred dollars to rent the house.

Hal didn't find the treasure he was looking for. She thought she could cheer him up by throwing him the party. She really didn't know he was already dead when she invited her friends to the party. She robbed the cabin because she was trying to get back some of the money she loaned Hal.

Hal's real killer was the courier deliveryman. Phil noticed that Hal was buying treasure seeking tools. He demanded a cut for his silence and, when Hal never found the treasure, Phil came to believe that Hal was deliberating hiding it from him.

They got into a fight. Phil killed Hal. Plus, the treasure that Mary found was just a box full of mementos. Its' what Gavin meant by using the word "treasure". The box was returned to Wanda and she cried when she saw it.

And the team later repurposed Ducky's old office. They turned it into a multipurpose hang-out room. The whole team was celebrating while McGee was continuing to carry out a secret investigation into the new Deputy Director.

Sticks & Stones

Season 22

Episode Number: 471

Season Episode: 4

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Guest Stars: Erik Passoja (FBI Deputy Director Wayne Sweeney), Robert Catrini (General Floyd Brancato), J. Claude Deering (Curtis Hubley), Jonathan Bray (Senator Judd Larmont), Todd Bosley (FBI Tech), Emory Ogletree II (Huge FBI Agent)
Production Code: 22004
Summary: After receiving intelligence on deadly threats to multiple locations that could lead to a catastrophic war, NCIS is called in to try to neutralize the danger.



All of NCIS was woken up at three in the morning about a full-scale war. It was believed that Russia or at least Russia's proxies were about to attack Western Europe.

They were willing to go against NATO. United States was in an alliance with several European powers that made up NATO. If one was attacked, the other powers will rise up to defend them. It therefore didn't make sense why Russia was willing to break this uneasy peace.

They kept their fight in Eastern Europe where they were fighting through proxies and they were still losing. They would be starting World War III if they moved farther west. And still the United States believe they were about to because they got intel from the NCIS office in Naples.

One of their allies was telling them that Russia was preparing for an assault via Belarus. The United States had to take the threat seriously and so everyone was called in.

The federal agents were put on high alert in case any nuclear weapons had been transported out of Russia. Parker called in his team. He couldn't get in contact with Knight because she took the weekend off. She was off camping. Parker had to send Jimmy to go and bring her in. Knight didn't arrive back in time as everyone was discussing a preventive attack.

The President wasn't making decisions on this one. He was on board his plane. AirForce One was suffering technical glitches and the president couldn't be radio'd in. The Speaker of the House was also on the plane. Which should have left things in the Vice President's hands only they were having a secret colonoscopy.

This meant that Senator Judd Larmont was running things while everyone else couldn't be contacted. The senator was dumb. He was quick to anger. He thought that NCIS Naples was in Florida instead of Italy. He also wanted to bomb Belarus first to show the world how tough the United States were.

The man was willing to kick off WWII to prove a point. He didn't care about the fallout. Or the many that would die if they went ahead with his plan. The generals were against it. NCIS was against it. The generals were willing to ignore common sense just so they wouldn't break command. NCIS was different.

Parker was refusing to go along with the senator's plans. The senator wanted NCIS to give them the location of Belarus's vulnerable points. Parker didn't want to sign off on that and so he refused direct orders from the senator as well as the general in charge.

FBI quickly moved in to arrest everyone that refused command. Parker and McGee were arrested. The FBI tried to arrest Torres as well and he escaped. Kasie meanwhile connected Jimmy's phone to the security cameras at NCIS. She wanted him to see it wasn't safe to come back.

It turns out Naples sent out a second message to their American friends. It was encrypted. It would take Kasie and McGee a while to decrypt it, but the senator didn't want to wait the few hours they needed to verify that Belarus was on the attack. He was that set on attacking first. It didn't seem to matter if Belarus was willing to stand down.

Parker and McGee managed to get away from the FBI. They made it to Kasie's lab. Kasie called Jimmy. He and Knight conferenced with the others. They came up with a plan to decrypt the message.

They just had to avoid the federal agents intent on arresting them. It was kinda quick how fast the FBI arrested or tried to arrest everybody. It was almost as if everyone knew in advance that NCIS would be a problem. The senator also had suspicious knowledge that the nukes in Florida would come in handy long before they got the original message from Italy.

Parker, McGee went to the basement. They ran into Torres. They all destroyed the comms room together. The FBI were locked out of system. They couldn't get the locations in Belarus.

They also knew that NCIS was still in the building. The guys knocked out all power. This also meant Kasie couldn't decipher the second message. The upside was that the FBI's cell jammer was offline. The team was getting phone calls from Director Vance. Vance wasn't brought in earlier on. As far as he knows, his team went rogue against a direct order.

The FBI quickly found the men. They arrested them again. They got the power back on. They were going to take the NCIS Agents to prison when Kasie said that she got back into her system and she could decipher the message from Naples. She just asked for a few more minutes. The FBI gave her that.

Kasie soon got the message that said Ukraine took out the Belarus launchers. Belarus was no longer a threat. They couldn't attack the rest of Europe. The United States didn't have to start a war and so the world was saved from an incompetent senator.

Director Vance was still upset with the team. They caused physical damage if nothing else. The electricity was still going in and out. Parker offered to pay for it, but he would go broke if he tried. Vance also clarified things. He said Ukraine took out the launchers before Naples got the first message.

This meant that Belarus was never a danger to NATO. The United States was willing to thank NCIS and FBI for their quick actions in preventing a war. It had to be secret of course. No one wanted the public to find out how close they came to destroying the world.

And Knight turned a page with Jimmy. They still love each other. They just weren't going to be what the other needs and so they agreed to stay friends.

In from the Cold

Season 22
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Season Episode: 5

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Guest Stars: John Getz (Captain Thomas Butler), Tom Schanley (CIA Officer Conrad), Matthew Lawrence (Danny Butler), Victoria Kelleher (NCIS Accountant Barbara)
Production Code: 22005
Summary: NCIS works with the CIA to discover what secrets are being kept by Captain Butler, an aging former spy.



NCIS Special Agent Torres was trying on-line dating. He joined MateQuest initially as a favor. Jimmy asked him to do it because he wanted a wingman and Torres helped him feel brave. Only now Torres wants to take it seriously.

He wanted try dating again. He took time off during his brief flirtation with Bishop. He devoted himself to work when that blew up and things were different now. He was going to therapy.

He was finally dealing with his issues. He was in a good place to meet someone

and unfortunately the dating game has changed significantly since he last tried it. He couldn't just post a bunch of pictures anymore. He'd get a mistaken for a bot.

Torres now has to sell himself. He has to write about his life. His interests. What he was looking for in a partner. Torres didn't really know an answer to any of those things and so he asked McGee for help. They were talking about it when they got a call about a hostage situation.

There was a former Navy captain that took a doctor hostage. Captain Thomas Butler was losing his memory. He did a cognitive test and it triggered some buried memories to the point he was speaking Finnish. He was also coming up with these numbers.

When the doctor tried to ascertain what those numbers could mean, Butler took her hostage. There were some nurses nearby and they talked him down only his son was confused about what happened.

NCIS felt the same. They checked Butler's file. He was never stationed in Finland or at least not officially. They also searched the numbers he gave and the search alone took out the electricity of an entire block.

The military hospital had to get someone in to fix it. The team figured it was best to go back to their office to look into Butler.

They found out Butler worked out of the Pentagon. Which could be a problem. Butler now has dementia. He could accidentally reveal state secrets and the numbers he gave could mean something. Kasie looked into those numbers. It was a spy code.

Kasie's digging triggered a CIA investigation. The CIA sent Officer Conrad to answer questions from Director Vance. He revealed that Butler did have high clearance until he retired and Conrad didn't think he was a problem because he's been under surveillance.

Butler was a Soviet spy. He was recruited from Finland. He joined the Navy. The CIA were alerted to him back in the 70s and they let the Soviet Union believe that they had a considerable good mole. Then the Soviet Union collapsed. Butler was a man without a country.

He retired from the Navy. He's been living as a civilian until he developed dementia. He was now dangerous. He killed an orderly that was watching him at the hospital. He took off. He could be anywhere and he doesn't remember any key events.

It turns out Conrad lied about Butler being under surveillance. Yes, they knew the Russians had a spy. They just didn't know who he was and that's why he was able to retire like nothing happened. It wasn't until Kasie cracked the code Butler gave them that the CIA identified Butler as the mole.

They now were trying to cover their behinds. They needed NCIS and NCIS needed to limit the damage. Butler managed to get a hold of a sensitive file called "Project Laurel" from the Navy archives. It was now a matter of national security.

Butler was still acting like a spy. He managed to evade cameras. They found him using one of six payphones that are still operational. Butler had called his home line because he promised to make it up to his son with ice cream. Danny Butler said his dad was often away at work.

He missed a lot of baseball games. His dad always offered to make it up to him with ice cream and NCIS later found Butler at the ice cream shop. Butler was arrested. He was questioned. He claimed that people were out to get him and the only person he was willing to talk to was Sparrow.

Sparrow was the code name of a dirty CIA Officer. He died in the 1970s. Poor Butler thought it was still 1979. It's why he left the message for his son. He thought Danny was still a little kid. He doesn't remember growing old or Danny moving back in to take care of him for the past ten years.

Butler didn't remember any of that. Parker tried to tell him that times have changed. The Soviet Union was gone. He showed Butler his cell phone. Butler thought it was all a trick and so Parker showed him photos of Danny growing up. And it was enough.

Butler realized time has passed. He also told NCIS that he hadn't killed the orderly. It was someone else. It was probably a Russian and so NCIS used Butler. They pretend to go along with his delusion when really it was a trap for Conrad. Conrad was a Russian spy.

He joined the investigation to take out Butler. Butler never committed treason. It was a lie that Conrad came up with. Butler acted as a double agent to feed the Russians bad intel. He was a patriot the whole time. And he helped them arrest Conrad.

Butler was reunited with his son. They went out for ice cream while Torres deleted his dating profile. He hated that he felt like he was undercover with the things he said about himself and so he's going back to traditional dating.

Knight and Day

Season 22
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Season Episode: 6

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Guest Stars: Brianna Brown (Melinda Martin), Rebecca De Mornay (Carla Marino), Travis Schuldt (Freddie Martin), Tabitha Brownstone (Lauren Jacobs), Steven Shelby (Goon), Tim Neff (Goon 2)
Production Code: 22006
Summary: Things become tense when Knight is assigned to protect his wife after the home of a high-level defense contractor is attacked.



NCIS Special Agent Jessica Knight was a good sister. Her sister Robin celebrated graduating an online course. Her specialty was all over the place. Everyone knew the new degree meant nothing. It just didn't matter to either Robin or Knight. The sisters threw a party and it turned into a rager. Knight was drinking toe to toe with Robin.

Torres thought she'd call out sick and she came to work the next day like nothing happened. Knight was just fine. It was Torres that was downing electrolytes. He

was going to make a joke out of it when he heard they caught a new case. A new secret case involving Freddy Martin.

Martin was a defense contractor. Someone broke into his home. The invader was killed and now the Secretary of Defense wants NCIS to personally investigate the matter. It wasn't Freddy that killed the mystery man. It was his girlfriend, Sheila. Which his wife Melinda was ticked off about.

She showed up at the scene a few minutes after NCIS and she wanted a private conversation with her husband. She wanted to ream him out behind closed doors, but the apartment was a crime scene. They couldn't leave her alone in a crime scene. It went against all of their rules.

Also, Melinda was a suspect. The man that broke into the apartment had known about the panic room. He might have gone there intending to kill Martin. The only person that had a clear motive on wanting Martin dead was his wife. Melinda didn't seem surprised when she showed up at the scene.

She asked Sheila to give her the robe back and then she used the rest of her time to demanding that the whole situation stays under wraps. It was already rumored that her husband constantly cheated on her. She didn't want anyone to tank their brand by attaching a murder to their name.

Melinda put her husband on a flight to Geneva Convention. He was attending a diplomatic conference. She stayed behind to take note of everything that was destroyed by NCIS. They ruined the rug.

They messed up the chandeliers. She wanted a full account of everything. The one thing that didn't shock her was the dead body. The mystery person broke into the apartment. He could've wanted to kill her husband and was instead killed by his mistress. It was Sheila that shot the intruder. And that didn't faze Melinda at all.

The one thing that did stump her was the revelation she was the target all along. NCIS tried to identify their failed kidnapper. It was taking time to get a name.

Only they did gain access to his burner phone. The guy was taking photos of Melinda. The man was following Melinda. He wanted to abduct Melinda. Melinda said she never met the man. She had no idea who he was or why he wanted to hurt her. She was a philanthropist. She was well-known socialite on the DC circuit. She was in charge of a discretionary fund attached to her charity.

Melinda wasn't upset that someone wanted to abduct her. She went ahead with her day like nothing happened. It wasn't until NCIS identified the gunman as Edward Silvino from Missouri that Melinda finally showed some emotion.

Melinda was not that woman's real name. She stole the identity of the real Melinda Willis that died twenty years ago. She went on to meet Martin. They got married. He became a billionaire. She became his philanthropist wife. None suspected that Melinda was lying about her identity.

Melinda also locked Knight in the panic room while she escaped. She was on the run from whatever or whoever was in Kansas City. It took Knight two hours to get out of that room and by then the rest of the team was looking for Melinda. Her real name is April. She grew up in a trailer park. She started dating a guy named Jason Marino.

Then he died. She went on the run and no one knows why. Marino was the son of Carla Marino. She was a mob boss in Kansas City. Her son Jason wasn't involved in the lifestyle. He died in a car accident.

Carla has been looking for April/Melinda ever since. NCIS initially thought Carla might have helped Melinda meet Martin in order to skim money from the Secretary of Defense, but that wasn't it.

Carla caught up to Melinda. She took her prisoner. She also took Knight prisoner. Knight witnessed Carla's men take a DNA sample from Melinda. She thought was odd so she got the full story from Melinda. Melinda and Jason had run away from Missouri. They wanted to start over somewhere fresh. Then Jason died. He got hit by a car while trying to get them something to eat.

Melinda was three months pregnant at the time. She wasn't ready to be a single mom. She also knew that Carla would keep looking for them and so she got in touch with a priest.

He helped put her baby up for adoption. She started over as Melinda. She has no clue where her daughter ended up. She didn't want to know because she didn't want to reveal anything if Carla ever found her. Carla took Melinda's DNA to find her granddaughter. She put on those ancestry websites. She found out that her granddaughter was a florist.

Her name is Lauren. NCIS arrested Carla when she went to Lauren's business, but she's going to get off. They couldn't even connect her to the priest's death. Her men claimed it was all them when they abducted Melinda.

She wasn't harmed and neither was Knight. Carla was never seen by anyone giving them orders. The only upside was that Parker forced her to go back to Missouri. And she'll be arrested if she ever contacts Melinda or Lauren again.

Carla went back home. Melinda in the meantime met her daughter. Lauren was a good kid and she's lived a great life thanks to the sacrifice Melinda made for her. Melinda also wasn't so bad. She and Knight developed a friendship.

Hardboiled

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Guest Stars: Sam McMurray (Harold Lamb), Lesley Fera (Dr. Wendy Lythcott), Jacob Buster (Daniel Simmons), Sara Paxton (Amber Carnahan)
Production Code: 22007
Summary: Torres receives intel from a confidential informant regarding top secret naval information that's at risk of being sold.



McGee was regretting his recent choices. He volunteered to referee his children's local soccer league. He thought it would be fun and he had no clue that he would be dealing with angry parents all day. He was still arguing on the phone with one parent when they caught a case.

NCIS were brought in to investigate the death of Naval Dr. Roger Carnahan. The victim appeared to have killed himself. He took off his wedding ring right before he shot himself. The team were questioning why he would do that much less

in a public park when Knight came across the answer. Knight used his face to open his phone and that's when she saw the photos of Roger's wife in a motel with Torres.

Torres had called in sick that day. He wasn't with them when they found Roger. He was still at the motel with the victim's wife and so the team set out to surprise him. They went to the motel.

They found Torres. He asked them what brings him there. They said they were wondering about the same thing with him. Torres was found with Amber Carnahan. They weren't having an affair after all. She was his criminal informant. She met Torres at a party that SECNAV threw a month ago. And she turned to him because she suspected her husband was about to commit a crime.

Amber's husband had interrupted them when she tried to tell Torres everything. Torres then snuck his card to Amber and he told her that she could contact him at any time. She did just that on the day her husband died.

There was evidence he killed himself. There were also people swearing he would never kill himself. Amber on the other hand seemed relieved. Her husband was a piece of work. He got her away from her job. He limited her friends. She doesn't have family. He made sure he was her whole world.

Only Amber knew he couldn't be trusted. She contacted Torres because she found out that her husband was selling top secret information. NCIS checked. Roger did access the ONR system and he stole information on the "Mad Falon".

It was the first hypersonic nuclear weapon in the American military. It would change warfare forever. Roger was probably worried about getting caught and that's why he hired a private investigator to follow around his wife. The team never got a chance to question Amber about it because someone abducted her from the diner.

Amber was missing. She was grabbed by someone in a white van. There was another white van at the motel and it turns out there were two white vans out there. The first one at the motel was in fact the private investigator. The one that Roger hired to track his wife. The PI's name is Harrold Lamb. He works with an assistant named Daniel Simmons. They have an alibi for when Amber was grabbed. They also had an alibi for Roger's murder. And it was murder because Jimmy determined that Roger hadn't killed himself.

NCIS got into touch with Lamb. Lamb used to be former Navy. He was also the one that ran the background check on Roger and so he knew Roger before he was hired to follow Amber, but Torres kept butting heads with Lamb. It got especially bad once they determined that Amber played Torres. Amber got access to the SECNAV guest list before the party. She also got access to Torres's private NCIS file. She found out about the abuse his mother suffered from her boyfriend and so she played into Torres's protective behavior to get close to him.

The one thing he couldn't figure out was why. Amber could have stolen the information about the missile and sell it without ever contacting Torres. For some reason, she set her sights on him. Torres was so angry about being played that he took out on Lamb. Lamb argued back. Knight had to break up the argument. She calmed everyone down and Lamb eventually admitted that he planted a tracker on Amber. NCIS went to a warehouse where they found Amber tied up in the back of a white van. They also found the body of Dr. Wendy Lythcott.

Lythcott was Roger's coworker. She seemed worried about Amber when she heard she was abducted. The team couldn't understand why she was at the scene or why she had been killed while Amber was unharmed. The team also found a 3D printer in the warehouse. It was printing the Mad Falcon. Except their version was a vacuum. Amber was taken back to the office and they interrogated her. Amber said Lythcott was her one friend. The Navy did work on a missile program. It didn't work. It was a dud and so Roger had it shelved.

Lythcott spent years on the program. She was talking to Amber about it when Amber realized they could turn into a vacuum. Amber used to sell things on the shopping network. She has contacts in sales. She could help Lythcott launch the newest vacuum. They stole it from Roger. Roger was never supposed to find out and that meant they didn't have a reason to kill him. The real killer proved to be Danny. Lamb's assistant. He was following Amber around and he heard her talking about a secret program. He wanted to steal it for himself only he didn't count on it being a vacuum.

Danny thought he was stealing a missile. He also tried to kill Lamb and NCIS put him down before he could hurt anyone else. It turns out Torres was right about Amber. She wouldn't hurt anyone. She just wanted out of her marriage. Even if it meant her husband got in trouble for losing the Mad Falcon.

And Jimmy later retired from being a referee because the stress was getting to him, but now McGee was on his own against so many parents. Angry angry parents.

Out of Control

Season 22

Episode Number: 475

Season Episode: 8

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Guest Stars: Alyson Gorske (Ashley Winslow), Christian Gehring (Lieutenant Mason Winslow), Laura San Giacomo (Dr. Grace Confalone), Mary Cole (Audrey the Barista), Kensie Mills (Lily), Sierra McCormick (Sally Clark), Rory O'Malley (Cliff), Andrew Santiago (Matty)
Production Code: 22008
Summary: NCIS investigates a murder related to a car that begins driving on its own. Also, Parker is still seeing visions of Lily.



NCIS investigates a murder related to a car that begins driving on its own. Also, Parker is still seeing visions of Lily.

Humbug

Season 22
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Season Episode: 9

Originally aired: Monday December 16, 2024
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Guest Stars: Seamus Dever (Inspector General Gabriel LaRoche), Demetrius Grosse (Lieutenant Merritt Hastings), Garrett Hines (Marine Lance Corporal Samuel Cross), Sommer Carbuccia (Marine Lance Corporal Brian Zanella), Cameron Bender (Martin Gates), Boyana Balta (Emily Cross), Derek Anthony (NCIS Maintenance Worker Lennox Kincaid), Ramsey Thoms (Marine Lance Corporal Evan Cross)
Production Code: 22009
Summary: NCIS has to find out the truth behind a tell all book that threatens a decorated Marine's life before it is published.



It's been three days. There was still no heat at the NCIS building. The agents were keeping themselves warm by staying by the printer and taking photos of their hands. Parker kept saying that maintenance will fix the heat, but Director Vance had bigger things to worry about.

He asked both Parker as well as Deputy Director LaRoche to report to his office. He told them that someone was writing a tell all book that basically blamed a marine of gross negligence. The incident happened fourteen years ago.

This same negligence allegedly caused the deaths of three marines. And the man that was being accused was a decorated veteran who became something of an advocate for veterans.

Merritt Hastings was injured in fighting back against the Taliban in the early days of the war. He threw one of their grenades back at them. It exploded in mid-air and messed up his arm.

He could have disappeared after that. He instead used his notoriety to appeal for better conditions for veterans. He even has a bill currently being discussed in Congress that could provide veterans better funding once they leave the military. Hastings seemed like a good guy and Parker thought whoever was writing this book was the Grinch.

Who else would go after an injured veteran right before Christmas? It was definitely Grinch-like behavior. There was a media blackout while the allegations were investigated and the Director put LaRoche in charge.

He normally would have given it directly to NCIS only he wanted to follow the rule book on this one. LaRoche was put in charge. NCIS were told to assist him with the investigation. They did their best to pretend like he wasn't there and he just kept popping up. Jimmy was even brusque with him when he stopped LaRoche from snacking in his lab.

Though to be fair to him, he didn't take the team's attitude to heart. He and Parker later spoke to Hastings. He said everything that needed to be said was in his action report. He didn't think there was anything else to add.

He now was a motorcycle mechanic. He only hires veterans. He makes sure to take of his own and so it was shocking that someone would write a book against him. NCIS tried to figure out the motive. They thought it was a political shakedown. Someone on the hill wanted something and was willing to smear a veteran to get it.

Only they were wrong about that one. The person who wrote the book was Samuel Cross. He was a marine. He was also the brother of Evan Cross. Evan was one of the marines that died during the battle with the Taliban fourteen years ago. His brother believes Evan died because of Hastings. NCIS visited him at his home. They found his place decorated with post-its. Sam was saying Hastings caused the death of those men. He didn't go to NCIS about it because there was a coverup and he claimed he was finally going to unmask Hastings as his brother's killer.

The man was coming from a place of hurt. It's been more than a decade and he still needed someone to blame. He claimed he was getting justice for his brother when really it was his own guilt driving him to write that book. The brothers were serving under the same unit. Sam had been injured a few days before his brother was killed. He was benched and he wasn't there to save his brother from the attack. He was feeling guilty. Torres recognized it right away. He thought maybe they should Sam some therapy.

LaRoche was more concerned about optics. It doesn't look good that Sam was throwing around the words "cover up". He had NCIS look into the past investigation. They found no wrongdoing on Hastings part and so McGee got an early copy of Sam's book. He used his pen name to pull some strings. They got the book and it turns out Sam did find out something. There was a radio communication to Hastings that told him to pull out. Hastings didn't get that message. Evan got the message. He was put in charge of the radio. And he missed several warnings.

NCIS went back to Hastings with proof of a radio communication. He tried to take the blame. His people, the ones that survived the assault, all came forward to say that he wasn't guilty.

Hastings ran a tight ship. They thought he was protecting someone. They just didn't know why. Evan was new at the radio, but that doesn't mean he messed up. Evan was a newlywed when he died. His wife has done a lot of work with veterans to help herself heal and now her former brother-in-law was dragging it all back up.

The poor woman was tired of being harassed by the media. She also warned NCIS that Sam was burying his pain anyway he could. He didn't need justification. Some veterans later visited Sam's home.

They tried to threaten him. NCIS was called in. The media was also tipped off and now there was a front page photo of McGee getting hit in the face by a veteran marine. LaRoche thought the case was over after that. He was fine with accepting Hastings's guilt. He didn't care if the man was lying or not. He just wanted the SECNAV to look good.

It was NCIS that kept digging. Kasie later found evidence that the radio was messed up. It wasn't Evan's fault or Hastings's fault. They never got the warning. The radio was at fault. Sam was the radio operator until he got injured and his brother was promoted to his place when he got benched. What Sam never told anyone was that his knee was injured before his deployment. He tried to push through the pain. He ignored it because that's what he thought a marine should do and now he's always going to blame himself for his brother getting killed.

Torres reached out to Sam. He also contacted several other marines. They all came together to help Sam to finally process his grief and Sam wasn't going ahead with the book. Hastings was willing to take the fall so that the blame wouldn't land on Evan. And Sam could respect that.

The heating was eventually fixed at headquarters and Torres spent the holiday with a mystery girlfriend.

Baker's Man

Season 22

Episode Number: 477

Season Episode: 10

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Director: Rocky Carroll
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Guest Stars: Ken Garito (Leslie Walker), Joel Steingold (Officer Frank Mandel), Melina Kanakaredes (Eleni Kostakis), Carlos Javier Rivera (Arturo Jimenez), Jordyn Owens (Virgil Wilson)
Production Code: 22010
Summary: After NCIS learns that the owner of Parker's favorite bakery is being blackmailed, they hatch a plan to save her.



When Parker swings by Kostakis Bakery to pick up some pastries for the office, he finds the shop manned only by new employee Virgil, who's flustered and speeds through their transaction. And the instant Parker's out the door, a gloved hand holding a gun appears from the kitchen.

Although Parker thought the encounter was a little strange, he doesn't realize the gravity of the situation until the team descends on the pastry box like locust and removes enough goodies to see the message Virgil wrote on the bottom:

"Help! Call 911."

This sends Parker and company scrambling back to the bakery, where they find Virgil's body facedown in a vat of batter. There are signs of an attempt to open the safe, which would make it the fourth attempted robbery in this area of late.

But what puzzles the team is that the cash register was cleaned out, but Virgil's wallet's still in his pocket. And although there's a bullet embedded in the wall, he wasn't killed by a gunshot. Parker's furious that he missed what was happening under his nose.

Enter Eleni, the baker so talented that Parker brought her great buns (his words!) into the office six days in a row. She fights her way through the police standing outside the bakery and is horrified at what she discovers inside.

She's also shocked to learn that Alden (her words!) is a federal agent. He says he didn't tell her because he didn't want to scare her off, prompting her to ask, "Scare me off from what?" Yeah, Alden. Scare her off from what?

Okay, back to the dead man. Virgil had a felony conviction, but Eleni wanted to give him a fresh start. She tearfully describes his novice baking efforts and says he probably tried to fight off the robbers because money's been tight at the bakery.

Although the local PD should have jurisdiction over the crime, Parker wants to handle it himself, so he and Knight pay a visit to Virgil's parole officer. He says Virgil was on the right path

after serving two years for grand theft auto, and he and Parker then bond over Eleni's amazing baked goods.

Meanwhile, the smell of those baked goods draws Vance to Kasie's lab, where the contents of Eleni's kitchen have been sent for analysis.

He gives Parker permission to keep working the case, but when their eyes fall to the goodies on the table, Kasie sharply warns them away. Those meringues they were salivating over? They're made of a mix of 33 percent sugar and 67 percent cocaine. In fact, she found \$100,00 worth of the drug mixed into the bakery's sugar supply.

This means Parker has to pull his crush in for questioning, especially when they learn that she'd recently received an unexplained \$25,000 deposit from an offshore shell account.

Eleni's starting to realize the gravity of her situation when her sleazy lawyer Leslie Walker arrives to bluster about jurisdiction and procedural missteps.

As he tries to hustle Eleni out the door, Parker quietly asks if that's what she wants. Her answer is clear: "I want to not be in the same room with you." Understandable, but ouch!

Time to look into Eleni's background. McGee reports that she's a second-generation Greek immigrant and, on paper, doesn't exactly look like Walter White. When Parker adds that she's the only one of her five siblings who didn't move to Greece when one of their sisters got sick, everyone silently absorbs the level of personal information their boss knows about their suspect.

Awkward, then, that it was Eleni's lawyer who got a man named Charles Barbieri off on drug charges and that it was Eleni who delivered a shipment of cocaine meringues to Barbieri worth the exact amount of that mystery deposit at the exact time that Virgil was being murdered.

This sends Kasie to her lab's equivalent of an Easy-Bake Oven as she tries to master the art of cocaine meringues in an attempt to prove that a newbie baker like Virgil could've made them. (Cocaine melts at 208 degrees, but meringues bake above 200 degrees. It's tricky!)

When Torres picks up her blow torch, she yells at him to be careful around the powdered sugar because it's highly combustible. Then she brings up this week's huge personal reveal: Torres' secret girlfriend is Robin Knight, Jess' sister.

Earlier in the episode, Knight loudly lamented her sister's mysterious new boyfriend and complained about being the one who'd have to clean up the inevitable mess.

Torres then confided to Palmer that he's the person Robin's seeing, and Palmer promptly sold him out to Kasie for the low, low price of 11 peanut M&Ms. Although Torres insists that the relationship's not serious, Kasie insists that he come clean with Jess or she'll do it for him.

Speaking of messy personal connections, Parker turns up at Kostakis Bakery to ask about Barbieri. Eleni snips, "He's just a customer, Alden. Same as you." Double ouch!

Despite her anger, he calmly starts helping clean up the messy aftermath of Virgil's murder, but when he picks up a child's drawing with the name "Manny" written on it, Eleni snatches it out of his hand and tells him to drop it before someone else dies.

But Eleni's warning was too late, and Virgil's parole officer calls Parker to an alley near the bakery, where police have found the bodies of Barbieri and a rival gang member, along with a blood-spattered Kostakis Bakery box.

When Eleni disappears and the team learns that her attorney had helped move money for both sides of this gang war, they bring him in for questioning. Batter call Saul, amirite? Walker suggests that Eleni needed to find a new place to cook — er, bake — since her kitchen's now a crime scene.

We then get a marvelous exchange between Palmer and Torres about Jimmy's inability to keep a secret. "I think Kasie's been conditioning me," Palmer admits. "She's been giving me M&Ms every day at 11:30 a.m. I'm like Pavlov's dog!"

Knight walks in on this not-at-all suspicious conversation with the news that Barbieri's body contained traces of a discontinued food production substance that can be traced to a now-abandoned factory.

When Knight and Torres arrive at the building, he starts to come clean about the "work conflict" he has with his new sort-of girlfriend, and Jess' face is a mask of dawning horror as she starts to put it all together. But her flurry of aggravated slaps to his torso is interrupted when they realize they're not alone in the building.

Nope, Eleni's there, having been Jesse Pinkman'd into baking her cocaine meringues for the terrifying Arturo Jimenez, who's got millions of dollars of product to move. As Walker explains

at NCIS HQ, Eleni asked him for a loan, and he hooked her up with Arturo, who didn't take it kindly when she told him she had no interest in being his drug chef.

The dominos start falling fast. Kasie discovers that Eleni didn't need the money for her bakery, but to pay a protection bribe on behalf of a prison inmate named Manuel Lopez. Walker was Manny's lawyer, which is why Eleni went to him for help.

Some help. Arturo's got her literally chained to her mixer, complete with a Walt-and-Jesse-style respirator. But she bravely barter for Knight and Torres' lives, telling Arturo that she'll bake the product faster if she can use them as her assistants.

He agrees, and as they crack eggs, the two agents quietly plot their escape and argue about Robin. Torres then spots a big bowl of powdered sugar, and an idea forms.

When Knight's phone rings with a check-in from Parker, Arturo threatens them all with his big gun. Jess calls Parker "boss" and she reports that they found nothing of interest at the old factory. This sets off Parker's alarm bells since she's never called him that before.

He and McGee arrive at the factory just as Torres puts his plan into motion by tossing the powdered sugar into an open flame, causing the explosion Kasie warned him about. Yeah, Mr. Torres! Yeah, science!

The good guys are rescued, and Eleni tells Parker that Manny's her sister's nephew and the reason she stayed in the U.S. It's also the reason she hired Virgil, Manny's friend from lockup who had no idea about the cocaine.

This fact raises one final question for Parker: why would Arturo kill Virgil but leave \$100,000 of cocaine in a kitchen destined to become a crime scene?

Answer: Virgil's real killer had no idea about the drug operation.

But there's still some business left. First, Torres tries to talk to Knight, assuring her that he didn't tell her about Robin because there's nothing serious to report yet. Jess warns him that Robin's probably already planning their wedding, and although she insists that she's happy as long as Robin's happy, she turns down his offer to grab dinner.

Parker's also in a strange place with Eleni when he arrives at her bakery, having baked baklava for her. But the tension between them has melted away like cocaine in a 309-degree oven. Alden's baklava turns out to be delicious, if a little thin, and he opens up to her a bit about his mother and her sweet tooth. Eleni takes his hand and thanks him for saving her, then offers to help him with his baklava technique.

For Better or Worse

Season 22

Episode Number: 478

Season Episode: 11

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Guest Stars:	Lilan Bowden (Robin Knight), Steven Flynn (Roman Sobchek), Daniel Zacapa (Detective Martin Alonzo), Alexander Bertrand (Frank Sobchek), Jesse Howland (Lenny), Yvonne Zima (Lana), Nathan Ray Clark (NCIS Special Agent Piotter / Priest), Marcus Terrell Smith (Wedding DJ / NCIS Agent), Elizabeth Liang (NCIS Special Agent Jones), Cody Easterbrook (NCIS Agent Ramiro), Geoffrey Kennedy (NCIS Agent #2), Casey Krehbiel (Undercover Agent)
Production Code:	22011
Summary:	NCIS stages a fake wedding in an attempt to take down the mob.



In the big orange room, Torres is falling asleep on his feet, which Knight attributes to his romantic activities with her sister — which she's totes kewl with, to be clear. (Narrator: she is not totes kewl.)

Sleepiness turns out to be the least of Torres' problems when the team's called to a crime scene and Palmer rolls over the victim of the week to reveal his face. Before you can say "terribly unsubtle," Torres starts coughing and claims he's too sick to keep working the crime scene.

To basically no one's surprise after that unconvincing display, Torres' fingerprints turn up on a flask in the pocket of the dead guy, who was carrying a fake military ID but is actually career criminal Vincent Kelso.

Parker is irritated to learn that Vance has Torres on a need-to-know undercover op to bust a gang out of Baltimore that's using bogus credentials to steal equipment from Navy bases to sell on the black market.

Nick's infiltrated the gang posing as low-level bruiser Donny Rico, but the guy calling the shots, Roman, is only the middleman. The real goal is to take down the ringleader, Wilk. That means "wolf," if you're not up on your Polish.

In his Rico persona, Torres strolls into the bar where the gang runs their business and starts talking tough about stepping into Kelso's place. This impresses Roman, but Roman's son would clearly prefer that Rico had been the one found shot dead that morning.

Okay, remember the vibe in Abby's lab back in the day, with the pounding-bass techno punk? Whatever that was, its direct opposite is happening in Palmer's morgue, where Jimmy's practicing shaking his groove thang to peppy pop for Victoria's upcoming daddy/daughter dance. (He's taking lessons and is the youngest participant by a few decades, from the sound of it.)

Knight, who's already been politely bounced by Kasie for complaining about Robin and Nick, interrupts the solo rehearsal for a case update, which itself is interrupted by multiple calls from Robin, who's worried that Torres is MIA.

Well-meaning Palmer lets it slip that Robin's had a drawer at Torres' place for two weeks now, which undercuts Nick's insistence that their relationship isn't serious. Knight scoffs that she didn't get a drawer at Palmer's place for six whole months, which leads to his realization that he never actually got a drawer at hers.

The drawer is top of mind when Knight meets Torres near Roman's bar for an update on the case, and she warns him that when it comes to her sister, it starts with a cubic foot of space and ends with an engagement ring.

This brewing argument is cut short when a few of the gang members roll up and demand to know who Torres is talking to. Knight blurts out that she's his fiancée, which delights the rest of the team when they hear the story after the fact.

Also delighted? Robin, who heads to the Navy Yard to see why Jess isn't returning her calls. She finds the news of Torres' undercover work, and I'm quoting here, "soooo hottttt." When Jess tries to yet again nip this romance in the bud, Robin correctly says that Jess needs to stop parenting her so she can make her own choices. But she incorrectly says that it's none of Jess' business because hello, that's her sister's BFF co-worker, which does make it a little bit Jess' business.

At the bar, a young tough named Lenny asks "Rico" for advice on picking up women, including a bar patron named Lana. But Lana clearly prefers Torres, who suggests Lenny would have more luck if he opened his mouth less. A bold deviation from the usual "just be yourself" advice.

Roman's son, who's still got beef with Rico, sends him to detail Kelso's car so it's clean as a whistle to be dumped. Torres grumbles but does it, and he tips off the team about the location. Good thing, too, because they find ghost guns Torres didn't know about hidden in the wheel well.

This discovery ropes in Baltimore detective Martin Alonzo, who helps himself to the NCIS breakroom coffee as he shares that Kelso was working undercover for him. He susses out that they've got a man inside and warns them not to let Nick go down like Kelso did. Y'all, I'm not sure I trust this grizzled detective man.

Unaware that Kelso was an undercover brother, Torres is at the bar trying to talk Lenny into getting him in touch with Wilk. Lenny, who really just wants more dating advice, says not even Roman meets Wilk face-to-face. It's all done remotely.

Then Roman summons Torres to his office to grill him about the secret he's been keeping. Nick gropes around for a weapon and settles on a handy liquor bottle, but Roman's actually over the moon about Rico's engagement and wants to know when the wedding's happening so he can stop by with a beautiful wedding gift.

Roman then gets pinged on his ancient Palm Pilot, which, like the ghost guns, is too low-tech to be traced.

This sparks a plan, which comes together at Parker's plant daddy paradise of a house, where the plant daddy himself suggests that a wedding would be a great venue to clone Roman's Palm Pilot. Torres and Knight reluctantly agree to serve as the decoy couple.

All that's left is to get Vance on board, and like any father of the bride, Leon starts to negotiate over what he'll pay for. In the end, they settle on an open bar, a buffet, and DJ — but absolutely no to a live band.

With one week to plan a convincing wedding, Knight calls in her five-times-engaged sister, and Robin takes over like a champ, organizing every detail from flowers to cakes to place settings in the big orange room. She even tries to get Jess to go wedding dress shopping with her, but big sis blows her off.

This prompts Palmer to get a little stern, asking Knight if she's seen how happy Nick and Robin are together. "Who are you trying to protect here?" he gently asks.

Jess is ruminating on all of that as she and Nick stand at the altar to perform the world's most awkward kiss when the aforementioned gun-toting priest hits that point of the ceremony. (Don't worry; he's an NCIS agent who studied theology in college.)

Robin's on the scene playing the wedding planner, and nobody seems concerned that she's rubbing elbows with Roman's entire gang. This includes Lenny, who kept his mouth shut long enough to convince the lovely Lana to come along as his date.

Roman shows up too, and his beautiful wedding gift turns out to be a fat envelope of cash. Okay, don't get me wrong. It's a thoughtful gift. I was just hoping for a fancy blender or a really expensive Le Creuset or something like that.

But hey, the man clearly loves love and clinks his champagne glass until the happy couple performs another painful-looking kiss. McGee, playing the event photographer, insists on snapping some shots of the trio with a camera that's rigged to connect to Roman's Palm Pilot Bluetooth.

Robin watches closely as Torres and Knight stiffly sway through their first dance. Kasie and Palmer have much better flow dancing in the kitchen where the team's set up a surveillance hub. But they get back down to business when McGee's cloning program reveals that Roman's Palm Pilot had been wiped clean 10 minutes earlier. Then the man himself is found dead on the bathroom floor after complaining about an upset stomach.

Knight and Torres are still dancing to the world's longest version of "At Last" when the song comes to an end and Robin cuts in (as all good wedding planners do, obviously). McGee makes the rounds with his camera to quietly tell Knight that she needs to stall, so she grabs the microphone to give a toast to her new husband, who has to mouth his undercover name to her.

Her impromptu speech is purportedly about her father at first being opposed to the two of them dating because he was afraid of losing the two people he loves most in this world, and it ends with her looking directly at Nick and Robin as she gives her indirect blessing.

Hilariously, Wilk is brought down by Vance's cost-cutting measures. The NCIS director would only spring for beer and wine at the reception, so the team's suspicious when they see Lana giving the bartender a bottle of whiskey that was served to Roman just before he died.

All hell breaks loose when Lana, aka Wilk, realizes it's a set up and the whole gang scrambles. We love a girl boss! Knight tosses the wedding cake into her path — all four tiers, which is at least two more than Vance authorized —and draws her gun. Yet more proof that women! need! pockets!

Once the baddies are taken into custody, Knight asks Torres if he wants to grab a drink since their wedding night's still young. He declines, citing plans with Robin, and for the first time, Jess actually sounds okay with it.

She's so okay, in fact, that when Torres invites her along, she agrees.

Fun and Games

Season 22

Episode Number: 479

Season Episode: 12

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Guest Stars: Shari Belafonte (Professor Annabelle Davis), Della Saba (Ilene Smyth), Charley Koontz (Max Hoffman), Eugene Kim (Captain Ed Fletcher), Neal Honda (Victor Chan), Michael Varde (Jesse Winston), Meredith Eaton (Cara Wilson), Eli Hernandez (Daryl Thomas), Jeremiah Latrell Caldwell (Burly Bouncer), Jackson Canning (Sketchy Senior), Kevin Bohleber (Stetchy Dude), Courtney Hawkins (Sketchy Gal)
Production Code: 22012
Summary: NCIS investigates the fatal poisoning of one of Kasie's forensic scientists. McGee is questioned by the Pentagon regarding the contents of his book.



NCIS Special Agent McGee was about to publish a new book. People have been waiting for years for a new book. They were all so excited that they've already started bothering McGee for updates. They were also trying to become his new publisher and new publicist. McGee had to unplug his phone at one point.

He got tired of letting everyone down. He does have a new book, but he felt it needed several rewrites. He was nowhere ready to publish right now. He still wanted to work on it and naturally his

friends were no help.

They were mocking him when the new case came in. NCIS was brought in to investigate the murder of Victor Chan. He was a Marine Core Reservist. He was also a forensic scientist.

He worked for the FBI. Chan went to a live action role-playing game at Kasie's apartment earlier that night. He left with the group. He was last seen going to his car and something happened there. He was poisoned. Someone then drove him in his car to a ravine where they forced the car into a ditch. It was supposed to look like Chan died in a car accident.

NCIS later poked holes in that theory. They believed that Chan was killed first. Then the "accident" happened. They also knew that if that were the case then something must have happened at Kasie's apartment. NCIS crawled all over that place. They found a container with hemlock in it.

They spoke with Kasie's other guests. They all denied playing a part in Chan's death. They all work with law enforcement. They were forensic scientists. There was Max with the temper. Carol with the facts. And Ilene with the profiler tricks.

They were all friends. Yet, someone wanted them dead. They wanted to kill them all. Not just Chan. Chan was a notable double dipper. He did that with the fondue and no one else ate from it.

The poison was in the fondue. The same fondue that was gifted to them by another friend. The other friend was Craig. He messaged them that he couldn't make it that night and he had fondue delivered only it turns out Craig was dead. He was found murdered on the same day as Chan. He never sent that message or the fondue that night.

The killer just didn't know about the double dipping. He or she planned on killing everyone at that party. Craig was first. The others were supposed to be next.

The group loves playing games together. They also talked about cases on game night. Craig did bring up some weird questions lately. He wouldn't tell the others what case it was about or who was involved. The others had thought that was weird. They dismissed it because they couldn't find any connection between the topics he mentioned and so Kasie thought she should contact Professor Davis.

Davis was the one that taught them everything about forensic science. The group met in her class. They still turn to her if they have questions and she made a connection that Kasie couldn't find. Kasie asked her about some of the things that Craig mentioned. She learned that Craig wasn't talking about solving a case.

He was talking about an off the books crime. NCIS went on to find Craig's storage locker and he was making counterfeit cards. Craig like his friends was interested in a collectible card game. Somehow Craig ended up with the most valuable cards.

The card itself was worth ten grand each. Craig had over a hundred grand in cards in that storage locker. He was creating them himself and some feared he made a lot of money out of it.

Kasie didn't like that at all. She thought Craig was a good guy. She didn't want to believe he could be guilty. She especially didn't like it that Craig's boss was talking smack about him. Captain Fletcher claimed that Craig was being investigated. He thought Craig could be involved in a crime and, so when NCIS found the cards, they thought the criminal was Craig.

They were wrong. Craig wasn't under investigation. He was the one investigating Fletcher. It was Fletcher that counterfeited the cards. Craig recreated what he did in a bid to gain evidence.

He was building a case against Fletcher and Fletcher knew about it. Fletcher has a gaming problem. He lost a lot of money that way. He turned to counterfeiting cards as a means of getting out of a hole. Then Craig finds out about it. The two of them played against each other and Craig spotted the fake right away.

Fletcher had plenty of motive to kill Craig, but he didn't do it. He has a solid alibi. The killer wasn't involved with the gaming world at all and so Kasie remembered what they all had in common.

They all took Professor Davis's Intro Forensics class. They were all great friends with each other. Before Davis became a teacher, she worked for the Maryland State Police Department. Kasie went looking through her old files and someone that Davis put away has just gotten released. His name was Jesse Winston. He was last seen taking Davis's class.

NCIS rushed to the college. They rescued Davis from Winston. Winston admitted before he was killed that Davis sent him to prison for something he didn't do. She was the chief witness against him. Her "evidence" sent him away. His brother and nephew died while he was inside. He did everything he did in a bid to hurt Davis.

He only went after her and her friends. He didn't target the prosecutor or the cops. Kasie later looked into that. She found that her mentor had fabricated evidence against Winston. He really was innocent.

Davis targeted him because of his long rap sheet. She figured he had to be guilty of something. Kasie loved Davis like a mother and she couldn't walk away from this or bury evidence. She reported Davis.

Her mentor was going to get arrested and odds are her old case files will get reopened. Kasie was super depressed when she went home that night. Luckily, her NCIS family showed up at her door with food. They helped Kasie through her depression. Torres also agreed to read McGee's manuscript.

McGee was contacted by someone from DOD. They wanted to make sure that he didn't use real case files in his book and so he asked Torres to give it a quick run through. Only Torres

shared it with everyone. They all thought it was pretty steamy. They also said that the book was in the clear. There were no state secrets revealed.

Bad Blood

Season 22

Episode Number: 480

Season Episode: 13

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Guest Stars: Eliza Blair (Life Sequence Rep. Holly), Tori Danner (Blood Donation Nurse), John Ahle Kellar (William / Fred Sammona), Nick George (Dr. James Donovan), T.J. Thyne (Fletcher Voss)
Production Code: 22013
Summary: NCIS probes a Navy lieutenant's death at a blood bank while McGee seeks team support for his twins' school fundraiser.



Someone robbed a blood bank. He was armed. He was dangerous. He just didn't want money. He robbed the blood bank of blood.

The robbery surprisingly wasn't caught on at first. The guy opened all the other blood bags. He poured out on the floor and he killed a serving Naval Lieutenant who tried to stop him.

His victim was identified Lieutenant Barbra Jellison. She was just in the wrong place at the wrong time. It was her death that sparked a NCIS investigation.

The agents spoke with the nurse that ran the drive. She described their killer. She also said he went by the name "William".

The guy probably wasn't using his real name when he destroyed a blood bank. Then again not a lot about this case makes sense. There was a nationwide blood shortage.

The NCIS Agents thought the killer wouldn't have left such a mess behind if he was set on selling blood. He would have grabbed the blood and gotten out of there. He could have sold the blood bags on the red market. It was a bit like the black market except the red market was for blood and body parts. It was pretty lucrative. Jimmy even knew about it.

Jimmy's autopsy also revealed a few things. It revealed their killer was high on this new drug. It calls "trank". It was cut with fentanyl. Their killer was hopped up on the stuff. It could explain the sheer rage he exhibited.

Kasie then did her thing. She found out that the killer deliberately poured over forty bags of blood and that he had in fact stolen one bag of blood. Just the one. It was a donation from Lauren Hawthorne. She was a software engineer. She wasn't married. She didn't have kids. She lived alone and seemed pretty boring.

NCIS tried to contact her. She wasn't answering and so they went to her house. They ended up smelling something foul coming from Lauren's garage and they found what little was left of her. Lauren was slowly being dissolved in a bucket of acid. They called in jimmy. He had to take Lauren out with a strainer.

While he was doing that, the team was trying to figure out why anyone wanted this woman to disappear. It was one thing to turn her into soup. They also stole her donated blood because they wanted no DNA left of hers to survive. It was odd.

Lauren had just started a new job. Sure, she was seen arguing with someone on the day she died only that wasn't reason enough to erase her. NCIS decided to check out her job. She was working for a company called "Life Sequence". It was a company to help people survive longer. It was started by someone the NCIS knew a little too well. Fletcher Voss. He was the billionaire that almost got their director murdered. He spent a few weeks behind bars and he was out now. He said he wanted to help people. And that's why he's back now with a new company.

No one could legally explain Life Sequence. They were holding onto proprietary information. Voss also said that Lauren hadn't been working there long enough to have access to anything. What Voss failed to mention was that Lauren was pregnant. She was pregnant by him and they found evidence of it. Her blood was tested when she first donated it. It was still in the system because of that. Kasie easily found it. She was also curious how Voss found out about the pregnancy. Lauren said she wasn't pregnant when she donated her blood.

Every woman is asked that question when they donate. Lauren would only have gone through with it if she hadn't known she was pregnant and so how did Voss know. He couldn't have known unless Lauren was wearing a "sequencer". It was high level smart watch. It tracks its wearer health.

Voss claimed earlier that Lauren never got a sequencer. He said she wasn't there long enough for it, but Voss has twenty million dollars worth to lie about that. He was going through a nasty divorce. His wife could have gotten twenty million dollars from him if it came out that he fathered a child with someone else.

Voss became NCIS's chief suspect. The man that killed the lieutenant was a hired thug. His name was Fred Sammons. He died of an overdose. His cell phone showed that he was hired to steal the blood. He was a low level crook. He has a record for light scams. He wasn't really a killer.

Neither was Voss as it turns out. Voss was brought in for questioning. They got warrant for his sequencer. They also told Voss that Lauren was pregnant and that wasn't something he knew. He literally cried when he found out that his girlfriend and his baby had both been killed.

Voss then passed out in the interrogation room. He had a stroke. He had been sipping his smoothie. The smoothie had been drugged and so someone tried to kill him.

Voss was currently on a liquid only diet. He must have been drugged over several days to cause the stroke. NCIS thought maybe it was the real person that invented Life Sequence. Only she admitted that the company was a sham. They didn't have any new technology. Voss was pushing ahead because he was reckless. He thought they'd eventually find something if he pressures them enough and not everyone agreed with that.

The doctor at the company didn't want to go ahead with the release. His name was all over it. He knew he'd lose credibility if Voss went ahead with the launch and so he tried to kill him.

He also killed Lauren to stop Voss from getting a backup supply of blood. Voss has a rare blood type. He would have died without blood if McGee hadn't stepped up. McGee was a universal blood donor. He saved Voss's life. It was the right thing to do. Voss also bought some of McGee's coffee that he used to raise money for his kids' fundraiser at school. And so McGee owed him.

McGee also has until next year to take the cool dad at school down.

Close to Home

Season 22

Episode Number: 481

Season Episode: 14

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Guest Stars: Erinn Hayes (Wendy), Elle Graper (Victoria Palmer), Kathy Searle (Rhonda Rosen), Vincent M. Ward (Sal), Maureen Driscoll (Mrs. Darlene Applebaum), Willie Earl Jr. (Elvin Gates)
Production Code: 22014
Summary: Jimmy's daughter finds a bag of money and turns it to Torres. They learn it came from a bank robbed 15 years ago.



Why was Jimmy's daughter assisting NCIS? Her father was their medical examiner. The agents were her honorary aunts and uncle, but Victoria wasn't the type to call her uncles when she's in trouble. She would normally call her dad. Jimmy was a great dad. He was loving. He doesn't judge.

Victoria could have turned to him when she found thirty-five thousand dollars behind the library. There were other kids that would have pocketed that money. Or used it for social media clout.

Victoria displayed great maturity when she called Special Agent Torres about the money and handed it over to him.

Victoria also told him that she was going to tell her father about what happened. Only she never did. Victoria had several chances to come clean with her dad. She ignored all of them. Torres didn't realize it until Knight noticed that Jimmy wasn't pestering them for updates or if his daughter was safe.

Jimmy was again a very involved father. The whole team knew he'd panic when he heard what his daughter found. She found a lot of money and there were bound to be people looking for it.

Torres brought the money to Kasie so that she could do her magic. She later learned the money was from a bank robbery at the Saratoga Springs Bank.

The robbery was fifteen years ago. They never caught the man that did it. It led to the press calling him the Saratoga Specter. Like a ghost because he disappeared so easily. The specter didn't even do other jobs. He robbed the one bank and he retired off the millions.

Kasie actually found a print on the money that Victoria found. It belonged to Carson Marcone. He was originally from Saratoga. She assumed he was the specter. NCIS went to Carson's home. They found him murdered in his crappy apartment. He wasn't living the high life. He also wasn't the specter.

From what they could tell, Carson stumbled across the real specter. He got killed for it. The only question that NCIS had was why did he dump the money behind a library of all places?

It turns out Victoria had lied about where she found the money. They checked the library's surveillance cameras.

Victoria was never at the library. She was hanging out with her friends in the woods while lying to her dad about being at the library. Victoria committed a federal crime. She was sneaking off. She also wasn't doing the science fair this year. Victoria was being a teenager. She was acting out.

Jimmy took it so hard because he didn't know what to do with her. His wife died. He wasn't dating anyone and, while he thought he could be everything his daughter needed, he wasn't prepared to handle a teenage girl.

Jimmy later asked Victoria why she called Torres before she called him. Victoria's reply to that was kinda brutal. She said Torres was a federal agent. Her father on the other hand was just a medical examiner. Victoria doesn't see that he solves cases too. Her comment really hurt Jimmy. It's also why he involved himself in this case.

Victoria found that money in the woods behind their gated community. The community was called Briarwood. The specter was apparently one of Jimmy's neighbors. Carson was the maintenance man.

There's no telling if he found the money or the specter first. Either way, he still tried to come away with some cash of his own. He got the money and NCIS assumed the specter killed him.

The specter doesn't know that the feds have over thirty grand of his money. The thief was going to keep looking and Jimmy didn't want his daughter falling victim to him.

NCIS came up with a plan to finding the specter. They knew he was a neighbor. The only thing they had to do was send Jimmy in undercover as himself. Jimmy threw a huge party for all the neighbors. He was so worried about collecting DNA evidence that he didn't realize one woman was flirting with him.

He collected the cups of all the men from the neighborhood. None of them were a match for the hair they found in the bank vault in Saratoga. Kasie did get a partial map from the bag of unmarked cups. It showed that the specter was at that party. And the team believed that maybe the specter wasn't a man.

There was that woman that flirted with Jimmy. She claimed she moved in two weeks ago. The truth was that she bought that house fifteen years ago in all cash and she made sure to stay behind with Jimmy after the party was over.

She probably heard that Jimmy worked for NCIS. There was no telling if she was going to hurt him and so NCIS rushed to his place to save him. They were a little overzealous because Wendy Hill wasn't a danger to Jimmy. She also wasn't the specter. She was the specter's daughter.

Her father came clean to her on his deathbed. Wendy thought he was just the illness talking, but her father did buy the house in her name so that she'd have a nice nest egg. Wendy also mentioned that Carson has been by her house several times over the past two weeks.

The security guard tried to erase that in the log book and Kasie found it again. The security guard was the one working with Carson. He hid the money. They were supposed to split later and that plan changed when Rhonda got greedy.

Rhonda the security guard was spying on the residents using the community app. She was looking for the money. She killed Carson because she didn't want to share and she used the app because wanted to know if anyone came across the money. Well, NCIS created a trap for her using that app.

They lured her right in. She went looking for the money. Rhonda walked right into an arrest. She was arrested for murder and, on the downside, Wendy didn't seem as keen on Jimmy as she did before. Only he did get some quality time with his daughter.

Moonlit

Season 22

Episode Number: 482

Season Episode: 15

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Guest Stars: Zane Holtz (NCIS Special Agent Dale Sawyer), Francis X. McCarthy (Roman Parker), Stevie Lynn Jones (Shayna Reynolds), Isabella Hofmann (Kate Reynolds), Markice Moore (Clean Up Crew), Reggie Austin (Peter Braden), Kensie Mills (Lily / Little Girl), Mary Cole (Audrey the Barista)
Production Code: 22015
Summary: After a Navy Lieutenant's death reveals ties to Special Agent Sawyer, Torres and Knight uncover a murder linked to a wealthy family. Meanwhile, Parker discovers a shocking connection between his mother's death and Lily.



Jimmy was a renaissance man. He was a great doctor as well as an artist. He sketched someone he never met for Parker. He thought it was a part of NCIS's case, but in truth it was of a little girl that Special Agent Alden Parker kept seeing everywhere. He first saw her when he almost died.

He now sees her all the time and he's not even sure if she was real or not. He doesn't remember meeting her. It confused him why his mind would always go to her if she wasn't important enough to

remember. He asked Jimmy to sketch her just so that he could look for her. He needed to know if he was going crazy.

Parker didn't tell the rest of his team about the little girl. He instead joked with them about Sawyer. Remember NCIS Agent Sawyer. He was a horrible guy and Torres's chief frenemy. The two were still butting heads. Sawyer likes winding Torres up and the others enjoyed laughing about it.

It only stopped being a laughing matter when a new body dropped. The victim was Lieutenant Robert Mosley. He was found in an alley. He was killed elsewhere and dumped there. His killer probably wanted it to look like a mugging gone wrong.

Some of the team even started to think that when Jimmy found evidence proving differently. Jimmy found bite marks from an alligator on the victim.

Those creatures aren't usually found in the Metro area. NCIS also checked the nearby zoos. There was no case of missing alligators and so someone was probably housing them as a pet. The pet had a little nibble on Robert after he was murdered. The alligator wasn't the cause of death. Robert died from a blunt force wound at the back of his head.

Robert worked in Naval Intelligence. He was great at the job at first. He became a flake only recently and cocaine was found in his system. He also had a QR code on his wrist. The wrist mark was a pass for an underground party. NCIS figured that's where Robert got the drugs. What they didn't spot was that Robert wasn't alone at the party.

He was there with Special Agent Sawyer. NCIS found videos and photos from the party. They found a photo of Sawyer with Robert. The photo plus the fact that Sawyer came into some family money had Torres worried that Sawyer turned into a drug dealer on their watch.

Sawyer was called in. He was interrogated. He wasn't a drug dealer. Although he did lie about an inheritance. He got a side job working as security. He and Robert were assigned to babysit Shayna Reynolds. She was a rich kid with a penchant for trouble. It was up to Sawyer and Robert to keep her out of trouble that night.

They didn't even report her when she set loose the alligator. She claimed she was an animal rights activist. She saw the alligator bite Robert and wasn't the least sorry. Robert texted Sawyer that he was going to the hospital now that he dropped off Shayna at her home.

NCIS checked. Robert never went to the hospital. Nor was Shayna at home. Sawyer was forced to assist with the case because he technically wasn't allowed a side job and so he went with the agents when they spoke with Shayna's family. They haven't heard from her. They were also worried.

They thought they hired the best for her and all they had to show for it was two men moonlighting as a side job. Shayna's mother was particularly the angriest. She refused to help NCIS and they found Shayna without her.

There were signs on Robert that indicated he was in a swampy area. Well, Shayna's family owns a lot of wetlands nearby. They also have a cabin there and that's where they found Shayna. Shayna wasn't on the run. She also wasn't their killer. She genuinely cared about Robert and he was supposed to help her with something.

Shayna wanted to stop her family from selling the wetlands to a developer. The developer would build condos. It would also destroy the area. Shayna recorded footage of an endangered species using the nearby pond. And the developer would have ruined that if the plans went through.

Shayna told Robert about it. He offered to report it at work. He told Shayna to stay there and that was the last she saw him. Shayna explained everything to NCIS. She also told them that she suspected her family killed Robert.

NCIS took that suspicion seriously. They later questioned Shayna's mother. She showed them a map of the development. The endangered frogs were going to be alright because the family wasn't selling the whole area. They were selling merely a portion that didn't include the pond.

Shayna didn't know that. She recorded the frogs at the pond. She gave the video to Robert. Robert saw something she didn't. NCIS checked the pond. They found a woman's body in there.

She was the wife of the Reynold's head of security. He dumped her there and he thought it was going to be fine because no one was going to develop it. But he didn't count on Shayna recording the pond. Peter Braden found out about the footage. He killed Robert. He also tried to kill Shayna and several NCIS Agents.

Surprisingly, it was Sawyer that stopped him. Peter was done. Shayna was saved. Shayna also reconnected with her mother now they know they weren't working on opposite sides.

Parker in the meantime got some news about the mystery girl. He found out that his mother died in a car accident. She had already abandoned the family by then and the little girl was in the newspaper at the scene.

The little girl was the sole survivor of the car crash.

Ladies' Night

Season 22
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Season Episode: 16

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Guest Stars: Lilan Bowden (Robin Knight), Cameron Gellman (Daniel Holloway), Greg Perrow (Firefighter Dawson), Zachary Barton (Pottery Studio Instructor), David Cooley (Firefighter Buddy), Charlie Morgan Patton (Paige), Sienna Ribeiro (Grace), Tanner Davis (Joey), VJ Kesh (Unhoused Man)
Production Code: 22016
Summary: A girls' night out takes an unexpected turn when NCIS is called to investigate the motive of a possible arsonist. Also, Torres struggles to find work/life balance.



There was a fire. It happened at an antiques store. Petty Officer First Class Jennifer Garcia was helping out the owner by posting items online and she was still there when a fire broke out. The building wasn't up to code. The fire destroyed the storage room. It just didn't explain why Jenn didn't try to get out. Jenn was at the place with her boyfriend. He fell asleep in the office. He woke up to smoke. He couldn't see or hear anything. He ran out to go seek help. He tried to go back into the building when he didn't see Jenn.

And the firefighters stopped him.

NCIS felt for the boyfriend. The poor man was still blaming himself when it was revealed he couldn't have saved her. Jenn died before the fire. In fact, the fire was most likely set to hide the crime. She was murdered. She was strangled before she burnt up. Her time of death couldn't be ascertained because of the damage from the fire only Kasie checked the website for the store. She knew that the last post the victim made was at midnight. She also got access to Jenn's phone. Jenn and her boyfriend were arguing.

Their text messages showed that Jenn was on the brink of dumping him. He didn't mention that when he first talked to NCIS. Daniel Holloway later claimed that they made up that night. He said he went to the store that night to plead his case and that Jenn ultimately forgave him. He also said he gifted her a necklace. There were just one issue with that story. Daniel's lighter was used to set the fire. He had a monogrammed lighter. He claimed he gifted it to Jenn when he gave up cigarettes for her. Only that same lighter was found in a bucket of acetone. It's what started the fire.

NCIS assumed that Daniel was lying about everything. They thought Jenn did dump him. They figured he must have killed her after getting rejected and so finding out the necklace was

real was odd. Jenn was wearing the necklace that Daniel bought for her when she died. The necklace melted into her skin. Why would she wear a necklace if they broke up that night? Wouldn't she throw it away or refused to wear it if she didn't want Daniel to believe he could buy her affections? She either was wearing it because she did forgive him or he put it on her after he killed her.

It was eating Knight up for not knowing. She went out on a ladies' night with her sister and Kasie. They were at a pottery class. Robin asked them not to discuss work. Knight tried. She really did. She just couldn't turn her investigator's mind off. She kept discussing her theories with Kasie and the two finally had enough. They remotely accessed Kasie's computer on their night out. They thought the guys had already went home by then and they were wrong. McGee's family was out of town. He stayed behind at the office to play computer games on Kasie's giant tv with Torres and Director Vance.

The guys heard Kasie's computer pinged when she accessed it. They knew that the women were still investigating. They tracked them down and ran into them after they got kicked out of the pottery class. The last part happened because they had a field experiment with the class's kiln. They wanted to see how long Jenn was in the fire to melt her necklace. What they ended up doing was setting the kiln too hot. It filled the class up with smoke and the women had to pay for damages. They also got thrown out.

Robin was so upset they had to leave. She put in a lot of effort planning their night out. She wanted them to have fun because she was feeling neglected by Torres. Torres often had to cancel or leave early because of work. It left Robin feeling like she wasn't a priority. It also brought up some feelings left over from her father. He was NCIS too. Robin just wanted some normalcy back and once she saw she wasn't going to get it — she finally gave in to the madness. She pointed out something about the case.

Robin noticed in the crime scene photos that something had been moved. The rest of the office was about alignment and chakras until they get to the one piece. It had been moved. The women went to the antiques store. They ran into the guys who were also investigating. Daniel did lie that night. He wasn't there when the fire started. He was meeting up with someone whose been like a brother to him. Daniel has a record and his friend was probation. They shouldn't technically be meeting because it might send his friend back to prison.

Now that Daniel was no longer lying, they learned that he came back to see the place on fire. He also noticed that the front door was unlocked. Jenn wouldn't have left it unlocked. Her killer might have. The thing that had been moved in that office was a chest. The chest was hiding the safe in the office. This wasn't some crime of passion. It was a heist. Jenn got killed for being in the wrong place at the wrong time. Her killer made off with whatever was in the safe. The question was what could have been in that safe?

Torres and Robin checked the website for the place. Nothing too expensive. It seemed mostly junk and it doesn't explain why they would have such an expensive safe. It was the top of the line. Daniel didn't kill Jenn. The killer was in fact a firefighter. Someone that was flirting with Knight at the scene. The firefighter's hands were a match to the wounds on Jenn's throat. He got word of a safe being there. He ran into Jenn, killed her, robbed the place, and then set a fire. One he knew he'd get called to.

If he hadn't sent Knight some photos as Mr. December, they'd never have solved the case. They arrested their guy and their night out wasn't as bad as they thought it would be.

But Robin could see how the cases become all important until they're done.

Killer Instinct

Season 22

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Guest Stars: Margo Harshman (Delilah Fielding), Seamus Dever (Inspector General Gabriel LaRoche), Michelle Lukes (Gemma Wood), Brooke Lyons (Tammy LaRoche), Lauren McKnight (Miss Sharpe aka Assassin), Abby Awe (Lucy), Morgan Peter Brown (Paul Morton), Essam Ferris (Yann), Bonnie Bailey-Reed (Flo), Nathaniel Best (REACT Leader)
Production Code: 22017
Summary: After NCIS captures the hitman known as "The Poet," the team races to uncover who ordered the assassination of a Navy chief.



NCIS arrested Paul Morton for murder tonight. They got a tip he killed of Naval Lt. Commander Ryan Willis. He was picked up with his gun on him and it was a match for the weapon used to kill the commander. He really was their killer, but it gets worse than that. He also had a book on him. It was a match for poems left on several murder victims and so Morton was revealed to be the serial killer known as "the Poet". The Director was very happy with NCIS. What they couldn't figure out was why Morton didn't leave a

poem on Willis.

They were also curious about who called in the tip. They tried interrogating Morton. They were hoping he'd give them some much needed answers. He instead spouted off a poem. He even showed them his bruised arms before he passed out in the interrogation room. There was a chance he might have taken something or done something to himself when he saw the feds were about to pick him up. He wasn't just a serial killer. He was a hitman. He has evidence against a lot of people and he could have sold those people out to NCIS.

It wouldn't have gotten him a lighter sentence although it would have kept him off death row. Not that death seemed to matter to Morton. He killed himself in that stunt he pulled in the interrogation room. He dug into his own arms and activated capsules he had hidden under his skin. He was a professional to the end. He was dead and NCIS had to get their own answers. They eventually found that the Poet didn't just target Willis. He also targeted another man that was working with Willis on the Atlas.

The Department of Energy has a train carrying nuclear fuel throughout the whole country. The Navy provided security for that train. It was all hush hush. The sailors providing security had their files listed as them serving on the Atlas. Only there was no navy ship known as the

Atlas. The team quickly picked up on that and they found out the truth. They found out about the train. They were worried about a breach. They were going to head there when Deputy Director LaRoche stopped them.

LaRoche said that the Department of Energy would handle that. NCIS were told to investigate the murders and nothing else. It was an order from their boss. They had to follow it even as they had doubts about why LaRoche was getting involved with this one. LaRoche wasn't all he seemed. He had secrets. McGee wanted to learn those secrets and so he was investigating LaRoche. He was doing that on the side. His wife knew about it. She also thought it was jealousy driving him and not suspicion.

Delilah met LaRoche tonight. They easily hit it off. She thought her husband was suspicious of LaRoche because LaRoche beat him when he became Deputy Director. McGee interviewed for the position. He was investigated. He had congressional hearings. Then he finds out he didn't get the job. The department wanted to go with someone from the outside and so McGee was overlooked. He had the experience with leadership. He was already working for the Navy. He thought he was a sure thing until Director Vance told him that the committee went with LaRoche.

Now McGee being suspicious of the man was considered jealousy when it really was experience. There was a situation that got bad for Torres. He was almost killed and McGee suspected LaRoche played a part in burning him. He also suspected the man was wiretapping his family's phones. LaRoche made jokes about mints that McGee loved. McGee never told him about that and neither did his wife. Yet, somehow LaRoche knew enough to make a joke. He hid a lot in his little jokes. It all came out at the dinner at LaRoche's house that Delilah dragged him into.

LaRoche's wife was a neurosurgeon. He said she could heal paraplegics until they could tap dance. McGee was a tapper and again neither he nor his wife ever mentioned so to LaRoche. McGee was experiencing the night from hell when NCIS got a lead. They found Morton's broker. The middleman between him and the clients. Her name is Gemma Wood. She was a jeweler with her own store. She's never seen Morton in person. She also didn't know he was dead and so Torres pretended to be Morton.

He went to her store with a story about someone burning him. She must have been worried because she ran. They found her dead guard and her secret second safe. Gemma later said that the client turned against her. If you fail in this type of job, the client hires a second person to go kill the first person. They needed Gemma to get to Morton. She realized that and she tried to run. Her client was Carla Morino. The mob boss from Kansas that Parker tried to take down. He tried for several years and nothing ever worked.

It was odd that Morino wanted access to the nuclear fuel. She dabbled in weapons and drugs. She's never gone full terrorist. She's also never tried to kill someone in government. The poet's next target was LaRoche. LaRoche sat on the board of directors that had control over the Atlas train. It was so top secret that he claimed he wasn't allowed to tell Director Vance about it. McGee and LaRoche had it out when LaRoche found McGee snooping through his office. LaRoche was investigating McGee.

McGee found evidence of it. LaRoche said he did that because McGee investigated him first. He knew that McGee was looking through his past and checking his security access. When McGee confronted LaRoche with his suspicions, LaRoche called him a sore loser. He said McGee was just hurt he got the job and McGee didn't. The fight was so bad between the men that LaRoche didn't want to leave with McGee when he heard about the security threat. He wanted to wait for backup. Parker told him that McGee could have already killed him if that was the case.

McGee was armed. LaRoche had a gun safe. He just couldn't remember the code to it. His wife also wasn't of any help. The hitman arrived just in time to take out the cops. LaRoche wanted to sacrifice himself to save the others. McGee talked him out of it. They came up with a plan. McGee pretended to be Morton and shot LaRoche. He kept the new hitman busy until his friends showed up. LaRoche was wearing a bulletproof vest and so he was fine. And Gemma eventually admitted that Carla Morino was not her client.

Her client was the Nexus Cartel. NCIS took them down last year. They were apparently back and they were making moves. The Atlas train has been temporarily stopped. LaRoche was saved, but McGee found out he was right to suspect LaRoche. The tip that led them to the poet came from the Department of Defense. It came from LaRoche.

How did he know a serial killer was coming after him?

After the Storm

Season 22

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Season Episode: 18

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Guest Stars: LL Cool J (Special Agent Sam Hanna), Sharon Gardner (Liberty Staffing Manager), Dennis Cockrum (Senator), Shein Mompremier (Desiree Mason), J. Eddie Martinez (Roger Davis), Craig Welzbacher (Motel Guest), Marcus DeAnda (Mark Davis), Jean Claude Leuyer (Petrov), Arber Mehmeti (Interrogator), Nikita Teterev (Armed Men Leader)
Production Code: 22018
Summary: When a trio of combat vets are found murdered in a D.C. motel room, NCIS tracks down a suspect who refuses to talk to anyone but Sam Hanna.



Someone was reporting a noise complaint to their hotel when he had enough. He was tired of the noise. He was tired being told the motel couldn't do anything. He started banging on the wall and threatened to call the cops. Unfortunately, what he got in return were several bullets.

Willie Loman was a travelling salesman and he didn't know that he wasn't talking to his noisy neighbors anymore. The three people from the room next door had been murdered. The killer was making his escape when he heard what poor

Willie said. And shot him up through the wall from next door.

There was a suspect found nearby that was covered in blood. When apprehended, he spouted off a badge number. It was NCIS Special Agent Sam Hanna's badge number.

The guy wouldn't say anything else than that badge number. He wouldn't even give his name. He wasn't talking and so NCIS reached out to Sam. Sam was no longer an NCIS Agent anymore. He took time after his Elite team was killed. He now works as an expert for the senate defense committee. He wears suits now and tries to save the world with a laser pointer.

The job was safe. His kids were safe. He didn't have to worry about burying anyone else. The only issue was when the senators shoot down a plan that could save thousands because it doesn't look good for their upcoming elections. Sam was struggling with that part when NCIS reached out to him.

They believe that they had Mark Davis in custody for the four murders. They just didn't know who he was. Sam had to tell them. Mark was Special Forces. He did a lot of Covert Ops and so neither his name nor his photo was in their system. Sam explained that it got deliberately scrubbed as a means of protecting Mark in the field.

Sam knew Mark. Mark saved his life a few times. He knew that Mark was as solid as it comes. He wouldn't be involved in four murders stateside and the man they had in custody was not Mark.

Sam confronted the guy. He explained he was Sam Hana. Only once he knew it was safe that the other guy admitted who he was. Sam was right he wasn't Mark. He was Mark's brother, Roger. Roger and Mark haven't really spoken in years. His brother didn't come back from war in the best place. The two of them look alike. They just had two different life experiences.

The two of them weren't talking when suddenly Mark called his brother last week. He said he was in trouble. He wouldn't give Roger the details. He just said that if anything happens that Roger should ask for Sam. Sam could be trusted. He was one of the few that Mark trusted explicitly. Roger tried to get details from his brother about what was going on and the call ended. Roger then went looking for his brother. He tracked him to that motel where he found the bodies. He got blood on him when he checked to see if any of them were his brother.

They weren't. Mark wasn't killed at the motel. He put his faith in Sam. Sam didn't let him down. He proved Roger didn't kill those four men. They were killed in the early morning when Roger was on the road. Roger may be innocent, but Mark might not be. Sam found out that Mark and the three original victims were all part of some extreme training out in the woods. They were also all veterans. There had been a woman that Mark was seen arguing with. She was trying to skip town when NCIS stopped her.

She was another veteran. She said that she got recruited by Mark for a job. They worked at a company called "Iron Horizons". They were told it was a security job and then they learned that they weren't protecting the good guys. They were protecting warlords, drug kingpins, and worse. The woman told Mark she was out once she saw what the job actually did. She then heard about three guys that she knew were involved in Iron Horizons getting gunned down. She thought Mark killed them to keep them quiet and she wanted to flee town before she was next.

NCIS didn't believe the woman's story at first. They never heard of Iron Horizons. There was no digital footprint and so Sam had to tell them about it. He heard about the group from a senate briefing. He also knew that Mark wouldn't kill his fellow vet to protect people like that. Mark left behind a note at the motel. No one could understand what he wrote. It looked like gibberish before Sam remembered. He taught Mark origami. Mark wasn't any good at it. He only knew how to create the one bird and so Sam folded the note into that bird.

It was numbers. It led to an IP address where Mark has been gathering evidence against Iron Horizon. He found out they were taking advantage of desperate veterans and he was doing his best to take them down. The men at the motel weren't victims of Mark. They were sent to silence Mark. Mark's evidence also showed that Iron Horizons was a huge donor to a senator that Sam knew. Sam threatened the man with a political scandal. It was enough to get access to Iron Horizons' bank accounts. They were paying for a ship off the coast of Maryland.

NCIS went to the location. They found that the ship was being run by Russians. Yup, the Russians were involved again. They were behind Iron Horizons. They were buying themselves a senator. They had Mark and another man as hostages on that ship. NCIS tried to be stealthy only the Russians heard them. They didn't want to waste bullets and neither did NCIS. They got into a fist fight. NCIS won. They called in for backup. They rescued Mark. Mark told them that it was woman that worked for Veteran Affairs that told these men about his skillset.

The veterans didn't know what she was doing. Mark trusted her. It wasn't until Mark went to her for help in reporting Iron Horizons that he realized she worked for them. She sold him out. She told the company about him and almost got him killed. She was arrested for the part she played. Hopefully, someone better will fill her position and get these veterans actually help.

And Sam resigned from his position with the senate defense committee. He hated the paperwork and Director Vance had bigger things to worry about. He found out that McGee was investigating NCIS Deputy Director LaRoche. If McGee messes this up, they'll all go down.

Irreconcilable Differences (1)

Season 22
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Guest Stars: Seamus Dever (Deputy Director Gabriel LaRoche), Victoria Garcia-Kelleher (NCIS Accountant Barbara), Nanrissa Lee (Inspector General Regina Ward), Brandon Brooks (Crispin Shaker Jr.)
Production Code: 22019
Summary: McGee's career and credibility are on the line when he investigates the deputy director for corruption. Also, Torres and Knight receive some surprising news.



The investigation into Deputy Director LaRoche started months ago. NCIS Special Agent Tim McGee has always been suspicious of LaRoche. He knew something was off about the guy from the moment they met. Yet, no one would believe him. LaRoche wasn't some politician fresh off the street.

He was a seasoned political animal. He gained the position after craftily undermining McGee and that's the other reason why McGee's loved ones were critical of his suspicions. LaRoche got the job

that McGee wanted. He was now McGee's boss and McGee could never reconcile himself with that fact. He didn't think LaRoche deserved the job in the first place.

LaRoche didn't come up through NCIS or even another federal investigating body. He was brought in from the outside. He was the private sector. He got the job after he convinced the Senate committee that NCIS was too close. He planted doubts knowing they'd think what he wanted them to think.

Someone from the outside would be more objective. He wasn't wrong about them being too close. They operated less like an agency and more like a family. They were constantly breaking rules that wouldn't fly anywhere else.

McGee believed at first that LaRoche sought the job to move up the political ladder. Maybe some underhand dealings or kickbacks were involved as well. Those wouldn't have been too bad. It wasn't until McGee suspected LaRoche burned a federal agent that he opened an investigation into him.

His first look came up with nothing. His team thought he was being crazy after that. His wife thought the same. McGee ignored his doubters. He kept looking into LaRoche. He even put that aside along with his misgivings to save LaRoche's life.

McGee may not like LaRoche, but he was still a good person. He wasn't going to let someone get murdered on his watch. He saved LaRoche's life and that's when he learned that LaRoche

knew about the hitman. The one that tried to kill him. LaRoche did something so horrible to someone that he knew the person would come after him.

He deliberately put both McGee as well as his wife in the crossfire. McGee thought he had him after that one and it still wasn't enough. His evidence wasn't concrete.

He also didn't secure it when he had the chance. It was probably gone now. LaRoche had the opportunity to do so the moment McGee took care of the second hitman. Still, McGee kept digging.

Director Vance found out about it. He didn't doubt McGee's instincts like everyone else. He didn't ask him to drop it either. He told him to make sure his ducks were in a row when he made a move against LaRoche. LaRoche was slippery. The director knew he wouldn't go down easy. He hadn't been wrong.

McGee kicked off tonight by staying late at work. He was staying so late that he was falling asleep at his desk. He became something of a liability. He tried to do his normal job during the day.

He stayed extra late so that he could use NCIS's resources to get information on LaRoche and so his dreams about being Gibbs. Wearing Gibb's clothes. Working on Gibb's boat. LaRoche even trying to kill him. It was all very concerning and Parker thought the same. He finally benched McGee. He told him to go home. He wanted McGee to catch up on sleep.

McGee had other plans. He saw LaRoche leaving the office. He noticed that LaRoche ditched his security detail. It was kinda big because they never did found out who wanted him dead and so him going on his own meant he didn't want to be followed.

It was funny in a way because the lack of security directly led to McGee following him. McGee was off doing that when NCIS investigated a shooting. Someone had shot up a party supply truck from Buddy Birthday's Barn. There were no victims only the weapon used to do it was found nearby. It said "property of the navy" on it.

NCIS were brought in to investigate where the missing weapon came from. They also had to find out who stole it in the first place. A weapons like that wasn't just lying around. The gun was classified military tech.

It was specifically designed to take down drones. The party supply truck also had a hidden compartment. Their shooter had stolen something from the truck and it wasn't balloons. They were figuring out the rest when McGee finally thought he had LaRoche. He witnessed LaRoche meet with someone.

The two got into an argument. LaRoche shot the other man. McGee knocked against something. It alerted LaRoche to his presence and he took off. McGee tried to pursue him. He got hit by a car.

LaRoche escaped while he was on the ground. Things got worse from there. NCIS didn't find the body. There was no blood at the scene. Or shell casings. The driver of the car also didn't see LaRoche fleeing the scene. The only one there was McGee. The same guy that got a concussion after the car hit him.

McGee's testimony was easily dismissed. His team believed him, but Director Vance told them that they couldn't keep investigating LaRoche. They had their chance at getting him and seemingly missed it. They couldn't take it any further. Or at least not officially. McGee described the man he saw to Jimmy. Jimmy sketched him.

He had no clue how it was going to help and so it's a good thing he was in the lab with Kasie. She found a suspect in their shooting/robbery of the party truck. His name is Crispin Shaker Jr. He has a lot of known associates. One of them was LaRoche's victim.

His name is Jason Meeks. Parker got a printout of his photo. He showed it to McGee who confirmed that's the man he saw LaRoche shoot. Meeks being friends with Shaker also couldn't be coincidence. The one thing connecting both the shooting that McGee witnessed to the stolen naval tech was LaRoche.

Parker was finally taking McGee seriously. He was going to interview him and someone else beat him to it. Inspector General Regina Ward brought McGee in for questioning. LaRoche filed an official complaint against him.

The complaint was for harassment. LaRoche also threw around the words "abuse of power". He knew that McGee was using NCIS resources to investigate him and so he sicked the IG's office on him.

The IG doesn't answer to Director Vance. He couldn't shut down the investigation either. He had to let it play it out. McGee made things worse for himself when he told Ward he was investigating LaRoche. He admitted to seeing LaRoche kill someone. Ward then said she was going to be ruling he needed to be suspended indefinitely for defamation.

Ward came to believe McGee was admitting to defeat because he asked for a lawyer. It was actually a ruse. Ward left the room. McGee escaped. Before he did, he wrote "Rule #45" on a piece of paper.

McGee was going after LaRoche and waiting would have done more for him. His team found Meeks's body. He really had been killed. His body was dumped in a national park. Kasie accessed his burner phone. He was arguing with LaRoche about a deal that LaRoche wanted to back out of. They were getting evidence to take LaRoche down.

McGee also forgot about the important thing regarding Gibbs's rules. They always come at a cost. Rule 45: Always Clean Up Your Own Mess. McGee escaped the building without anyone seeing him.

He stashed himself in LaRoche's van. McGee set it up to alert him whenever LaRoche scanned his ID card to gain access to something. It told him that LaRoche was down in the evidence locker. He no reason to be there. McGee tried to warn Ward and she wouldn't listen. And that's why he escaped, McGee realized before anyone else that LaRoche was stealing evidence to sell to the highest bidder.

McGee got LaRoche dead to rights. He caught him in the act of a buy. The two men pulled a gun on McGee and surprisingly LaRoche saved McGee's life. He said that he had something in his pocket that would explain everything.

NCIS was also curious about it when they showed up.

Nexus (2)

Season 22
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Summary: As NCIS investigates a dangerous connection between the Nexus cartel and Parker's longtime nemesis, mob boss Carla Marino, the team uncovers a high-stakes plot involving stolen nuclear material. With time running out, Parker is forced into an uneasy alliance that could determine the fate of the operation — and his own future.



Deputy Director LaRoche has been keeping a secret. McGee and later his entire department came to believe that LaRoche was a traitor. He allegedly stole from them just to sell it to others, but that wasn't what happened. LaRoche finally explained everything tonight.

This all started eight months ago. The Department of Defense reached out to LaRoche for a private meeting. They informed him about a mole in their department. The man himself was never questioned because he was killed before that

could happen. His body was found in the Potomac.

The Department of Defense was investigating Nexus. It was top secret. They were looking to bring down the cartel once and for all. The Secretary of Defense personally recruited LaRoche for this mission. His job was to act as a double agent. SecDef Mathison had LaRoche placed at NCIS.

LaRoche was supposed to be everything that McGee wanted him to be. He intentionally sold out Torres as a means of building trust with the cartel. He wasn't doing this for money. It was never about money or clout. His job was so secret that only one person knew his real mission. LaRoche did everything to serve his country.

Unfortunately, NCIS didn't like being used. They had two men almost die on them because of this top secret mission. They kicked off an investigation into LaRoche.

They publicly burned him and he almost cost McGee his career as well as his life. LaRoche apologized for that at least. He said he tried to warn McGee off. He wasn't wrong because he did

try. He tried telling McGee to back off. He filed a harassment claim. He did everything to keep McGee away and nothing worked because the man himself had been trained by Gibbs.

LaRoche can no longer continue the investigation himself. He had been burned. His contact into the cartel had been killed and so it was only now that SecDef was willing to use NCIS. It happened after he got into a fight with Director Vance.

The whole not informing them about placing a mole in their office was going to be an issue. It was about respect and Vance didn't feel like his position was respected. It was one thing not to inform him. It was quite another to not tell his Vance's own boss. Vance was willing to put that aside because of the threat of Nexus.

Vance was willing to put his own emotions aside. Special Agent Parker didn't feel the same. Parker was told by the SecDef that they had intel on Nexus. The cartel was seeking nuclear material and they found out thanks to their source.

Their source was Carla Marino. She was a mob boss that dominated the Midwest. Parker tried to take her down for years back when he was working at the FBI. He tried again after he joined NCIS and nothing stuck. She was his white whale. Parker hated her so much that people at the office put money on them either killing each other or sleeping together.

Parker refused to work with Carla. He said she couldn't be trusted. He refused to use her name. He stormed off. He went back to NCIS and he told everyone else that they couldn't use her name either. She was literally going by She-Who-Must-Not-Be-Named because no one wanted to offend Parker. Parker said they were investigators.

They would bring down the cartel another way. They had LaRoche's case files after all. Only they did need Carla's help. Carla wasn't wrong about Nexus wanting nuclear material.

The agents tracked down something who stole the stuff for the cartel. He was rewarded with them using the uranium to kill him. Carla had been right. She also knew something they didn't.

She knew the Butcher had the uranium. The cartel found another way to steal the stuff when the Atlas train got diverted. Carla knew all about it and she told NCIS that she thought that was a step too far. She turned against the cartel, but now the Butcher was calling her about selling the stuff to her. Carla showed genuine fear. She was so so convincing.

Carla pretended like she was worried that the Butcher was going to kill her. She said Nexus must have found out what she was doing and so Parker tried to put her at ease. He told her that she should set the meeting in Kansas City. Her home turf. She was like a god there. Parker was also willing to go with her.

He said the NCIS local office in Kansas City could provide backup and that they could arrest the Butcher this way. It was a lie from both sides. Parker did travel with Carla with two other agents not from his team and one of them was working for Carla.

Parker was then driven to a location where Jason died. Jason was Carla's only child. Carla found out that Parker was the one that told Jason she was a criminal and that Jason ran away to escape her because of it. He soon died in a motorcycle accident after running away. Carla blamed Parker for her son's death.

She had the chance to kill him and she didn't take it. She instead left him knocked out on the side of the road. Which was fine because Parker never trusted her to begin with. He cloned her phone from the start and he gave it to Kasie.

Kasie just hadn't cracked it in time to stop his abduction. Once Parker was found safe, Kasie did get information from the phone. She found out that Carla was the head of Nexus. There was no Butcher.

The entire cartel wasn't even being run by anyone Spanish. It was all white people involved. They merely bought into the stereotype to become a dominant force and were even selling weapons to the white power movement. Knowing that helped. NCIS eventually found the bomb. They disarmed it because Parker knew the code to do so. It was the numbers that spelled out "Jason".

The bombing was averted. The media credited former Deputy Director LaRoche for foiling a domestic terrorism event and, while that annoyed some, McGee was fine with him getting the credit.

He was doing the work before they got involved. The two also buried the hatchet. It helps that LaRoche was no longer his boss or lying to him anymore. They thought it was all over. Parker returned home. He knew his elderly father was in town. He returned home to his dad to find him murdered. Carla killed him. She made sure that Parker knew she had killed his father.

And Jimmy found something odd. Parker asked for his help in finding his mother's grave. Jimmy was doing so when he found the woman's death certificate. Something about it wasn't adding up and it wasn't just the fact that her body couldn't be found.

Actor Appearances

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Travis Aaron.....	1	Joe Adler.....	1
0105 (Lt. Schilz)		0810 (Matthew Gray)	
Kamran Abbassian.....	1	Max Adler.....	1
1814 (Nazar)		1810 (Luke Stana)	
Kash Abdulmalik.....	1	Michael Adler.....	1
2002 (Carter Landegraff)		0101 (Navy Capt. Burger)	
Tim Abell.....	1	Razaq Adoti.....	1
0118 (Jack D. Curtin)		0906 (Mike Sullivan)	
Amielynn Abellera.....	2	Anisha Adusumilli.....	1
1603 (Navy Lieutenant Kaitlyn Holcomb); 1604 (Navy Lieutenant Kaitlyn Holcomb)		2017 (Veeda Rajab)	
Donzaleigh Abernathy.....	1	Nikita Ager.....	1
1816 (NSA Deputy Director Ronda Ellis)		0504 (Shannon O'Hara)	
Monib Abhat.....	1	Shohreh Aghdashloo.....	1
1701 (Security Guard #1)		0905 (Mariam Bawali)	
Aaron Abrams.....	1	Mesrop Agjanyan.....	1
1207 (Todd Price)		0501 (Henri Rousseau)	
Phil Abrams.....	1	Chris Agos.....	1
0110 (Hotel Manager)		1907 (Noah Finch)	
Ray Abruzzo.....	1	Sydney Agudong.....	1
0605 (Rick Azarri)		2015 (Kelly)	
Omid Abtahi.....	2	Nynno Ahli.....	1
0625 (Salim); 0701 (Saleem Ulman)		0420 (Rick Green)	
Alon Abutbul.....	1	Jaclyn Aimee.....	1
0712 (Prince Omar Ibn Alwaan)		2009 (Esme)	
Armando Acevedo.....	1	Allel Aimiche.....	1
1918 (Rene Romero)		1124 (Fu 'Ad Hansur)	
AJ Achinger.....	1	Lexi Ainsworth.....	1
1624 (Spencer Cox)		2020 (Holly Lyngos)	
Julian Acosta.....	1	Chris Akers.....	1
0703 (Matt Burns)		0420 (Johnny Smokerson)	
Jay Acovone.....	1	Jimmy Akingbola.....	1
1017 (Frankie Dean)		1422 (Liberian Ambassador Gabriel Moore)	
Carlos Acuña.....	1	Anthony Alabi.....	1
1801 (Milo the Guard)		1424 (Navy Petty Officer Christopher Clayton)	
Mark Adair-Rios.....	1	Emily Alabi.....	1
0217 (Iggy Mejia)		1406 (Petty Officer Kelly Ristow)	
Isiah Adams.....	3	Matthew Alan.....	1
1803 (Shift Manager Chad); 1804 (Chad Hamilton / Vladimir Ivinov); 1805 (Chad / Vladimir Izikov)		0903 (Navy Lieutenant Paul Booth)	
John L. Adams.....	1	Ian Alda.....	1
0316 (EMT Seth Patterson)		1607 (Luke Green)	
Jonathan Adams.....	1	Chelsea Alden.....	1
0508 (Thomas Zuri)		1524 (Navy P.O. 3rd Class Stephanie Vairo)	
Patrick J. Adams.....	1	Sarah Aldrich.....	1
0606 (Tommy Doyle)		1115 (Karen Upline)	
Tacey Adams.....	1	Kevin Alejandro.....	1
2106 (Grandma Avatar)		0411 (Jaime Jones)	
Chad Addison.....	1	John Ales.....	1
0702 (Young Eric Jurel)		0821 (Miles Hogan)	
Dayo Ade.....	1	Alex S. Alexander.....	1
0424 (ER Orderly)		0206 (Sara Turcott)	
Lawrence Adimora.....	1	Keon Alexander.....	1
0919 (Navy Seaman Jacob Pierway)		1601 (CIA Special Agent Nazy Rickman)	
Seth Adkins.....	1	Kimberly Alexander.....	1
0319 (Sean Hodges)		0821 (Navy Lieutenant Junior Lauren Ross)	
		Nina Alexander.....	1
		0104 (Ricky)	
		Sasha Alexander.....	5
		0302 (Deceased Kate Todd); 1210 (Former NCIS)	

Agent Caitlin Todd; 1216 (Agent Caitlin Todd); 1223 (Caitlin Todd); 1522 (Caitlin Todd (archive footage))	Walid Amiri 1
Alexander Aleynikov 2	0511 (Marine Lance Corp. Abdul Bakr)
1621 (Construction Worker); 1622 (Court attendee / Ward)	Christopher Amitrano 1
Juan Alfonso 1	1624 (Local LEO)
1506 (Ramon Moncada)	Abraham Amkpa 1
Mann Alfonso 1	1312 (Navy Petty Officer First Class Feliz Kane)
1602 (Edgar Fitz)	Charlene Amoia 1
Asif Ali 1	1511 (Denise Mancuso)
0920 (Phil)	Eliska Amor 1
Jay Ali 1	0311 (Keenya Desoto)
1218 (Omer Malik)	Bibi Amos 1
Brady Allen 1	0222 (Receptionist)
1206 (Benjamin Curtis)	Kschriss Anda 1
Crystal Allen 1	2104 (Security Guard Troy)
0109 (Laura)	Bradford Anderson 1
Todd Allen 1	0601 (Second Geek)
0317 (Park Ranger James Landis)	Brent Anderson 2
Tyrees Allen 1	1410 (Navy Capt. Mason Green); 2220 (U.S. Secretary of Defense Mathison)
0324 (NSO Deputy Director Dean Welsh)	Erich Anderson 1
Frankie J. Allison 1	0109 (Jack Canton)
1703 (Vince Pierman)	Joseph Lee Anderson 1
Christopher Allport 1	1704 (Marine Lance Corporal Bernard 'Barney' Ernest Williams)
0310 (Metro Police Cpt. Dan Karzin)	Rico Anderson 1
Corbin Allred 1	0410 (Rick Samson)
0106 (Corpsman Milano)	Sam Anderson 1
Usman Ally 2	0802 (Walter Carmichael)
1710 (Victor Mir); 1711 (Victor Mir)	Steven Anderson 1
Jake Allyn 1	0806 (Professor Daniel Redner)
1516 (Navy Petty Officer Second Class James Sweeney)	Paolo Andino 1
Iris Almario 1	1811 (Arthur)
1307 (Natalie Tupperman)	Jeremy Andorfer-Lopez 1
Robert Almodovar 1	1514 (Officer Sanchez)
2106 (Group Leader)	Vaz Andreas 1
Maxwell Almono 1	1201 (Dimitri)
2013 (John Harlan)	Jessica Jade Andres 1
Brooks Almy 1	1804 (Rachel)
0104 (Mrs. McDonald)	David Andrews 1
Laz Alonso 1	1301 (U.S. Secretary of Defense Errol Coyne)
0121 (S Sgt. Washington)	Brian Andries 1
Harvey J. Alperin 1	1421 (Marine Corporal Kyle Campbell)
1719 (Henry Mantell)	David Andriole 1
Justin Alston 1	0104 (Lieutenant Commander Robbins)
1117 (NCIS Special Agent Holgate)	Mini Andén 1
Zeke Alton 1	0311 (Hannah Bressling)
2202 (Detective)	Matt Angel 1
Aris Alvarado 1	1912 (Peter Samkharadze)
0319 (Tomas Zepeda)	Melody Angel 1
Christopher Alvarenga 1	0909 (Kinah)
1918 (Buyer #2)	Vincent Angell 1
Adolfo Alvarez 1	0221 (Bruce Webb)
1424 (Carlos)	Jasmine Di Angelo 1
Alonso Alvarez 1	1104 (Halia)
1424 (Ramon)	Juliette Angelo 9
Frank Alvarez 1	1110 (Emily Fornell); 1215 (Emily Fornell); 1323 (Emily Fornell); 1324 (Emily Fornell); 1410 (Emily Fornell); 1624 (Emily Fornell); 1804 (Emily Fornell); 1805 (Emily Fornell); 1809 (Emily Fornell)
0615 (Rico)	Susan Angelo 1
Joe Alvarez 1	1609 (Admiral's Wife)
1413 (Fire Lieutenant Earl Davis)	Mark Ankeny 1
Nick Alvarez 1	0712 (Barry Kester)
1602 (Jonny)	Philip Anthony-Rodriguez 1
Amrapali Ambegaokar 1	0417 (Former Marine LCPL Lloyd Jackson)
1810 (July Wunderman)	Cleo Anthony 1
Wolf Amer 1	1203 (Navy Commander Zachary Bucket)
0515 (Iraqi Militia Guard at Shed)	Derek Anthony 1
Brian Ames 1	2209 (NCIS Maintenance Worker Lennox Kincaid)
1715 (Matthew Duques)	
Granville Ames 1	
1506 (Hank)	

Todd Anthony	1	Kevin Ashworth	1
1606 (Navy Lieutenant Connor Reese)		1511 (Richard Lane)	
Vinessa Antoine	1	Desmond Askew	1
1514 (Sarah Willis)		1415 (John James Axiom)	
Jason Antoon	2	Andrew Asper	1
1919 (Cyber Intelligence Specialist Ernie Malik);		1504 (Mitch Greyson)	
2001 (Cyber Intelligence Specialist Ernie Malik)		Armand Assante	4
Cas Anvar	1	0414 (La Grenouille); 0423 (La Grenouille); 0424 (La Grenouille); 0501 (La Grenouille)	
0412 (Masoud Tariq)		MacKenzie Astin	1
Perry Anzilotti	1	0914 (Michael Rose)	
0705 (Ted Rogers)		Sean Astin	1
Roman Arabia	1	0918 (Tyler Elliott)	
2013 (Volunteer)		Matthew Atherton	1
Ellie Araiza	1	0205 (Captain Starling)	
1602 (Sheila Moeney)		Shani Atias	1
Rob Arbogast	1	1104 (Stoic Afghan Girl)	
0514 (FBI Special Agent Wentworth)		Kimberly Atkinson	1
Michael Archer	1	0505 (NCIS Special Agent Roberta Wells)	
0212 (Sales Person 1)		Scott Atkinson	1
Stephanie Arcila	1	0315 (Lt. Cmdr. Kyle Ross)	
1515 (Danielle)		Mark Atteberry	1
Jonathan Del Arco	1	2006 (Medgar Nash)	
1406 (Ned Senders)		Rene Auberjonois	1
Mario Ardila Jr.	1	1003 (Dr. Felix Blackwell)	
1719 (Shayne Garcon)		Tess Aubert	2
Emilia Ares	1	1911 (Piper); 1917 (Piper)	
1714 (Layla Zolotov)		Erik Audé	1
Tiffany Ariany	1	1217 (Man in a Blue Suit)	
1321 (Guest Star)		Blythe Auffarth	1
Akinsola Aribó	4	0716 (Melanie)	
0919 (Jared Vance); 1012 (Jared Vance); 1015 (Jared Vance); 1111 (Jared Vance)		Ronald Auguste	1
Amir Arison	1	1914 (Isaac)	
0712 (Prince Sayif Ibn Alwaan)		Richard Augustine	1
Kristen Ariza	1	0119 (Janitor)	
0804 (CIA Operations Officer Loretta Tennison)		Sherman Augustus	1
Matthew Arkin	1	0220 (Marine Cpt. Daniel Lemay)	
1122 (Doctor Graham Novak)		Jeff Austin	1
Tony Armatrading	1	0115 (Colonel Mike Granger)	
0312 (William N'Diaye)		Reggie Austin	2
Bess Armstrong	1	1019 (Navy Lieutenant Carlton Mane); 2215 (Peter Braden)	
1116 (U.S. Senator Denise O'Hara)		Alex Avant	1
Hugo Armstrong	2	0106 (Clerk)	
1116 (NCIS Special Agent Eugene Coyle); 1810 (NCIS Inspector General Eugene Coyle)		Erick Avari	1
Matthew John Armstrong	1	0108 (William Gamal)	
1307 (Navy Seaman Michael Hayes)		Brian Avers	1
Samaira Armstrong	1	0622 (Mattie Ray)	
1505 (Melissa Goodman)		Aviva	1
Evan Arnold	1	0716 (Young Shannon)	
1408 (Gareth Bainbridge)		Abby Awe	1
Michelle Arthur	2	2217 (Lucy)	
1403 (Driver / DC Pedestrian); 1408 (Decorator / Driver)		Jack Axelrod	3
Noel Arthur	1	1008 (Shmeil Pinkhas); 1011 (Shmeil Pinkhas); 1012 (Shmeil Pinkhas)	
1308 (Guest Star)		Jocelyn Ayanna	1
Pat Asanti	1	1107 (Asabe Dawson)	
1015 (Ruben Williams)		Tom Ayers	2
Sam Asghari	1	1712 (Bobby Dale Douglas); 1714 (Bobby Dale Douglas)	
1710 (Security Guard Russell)		Rochelle Aytes	1
Daphne Ashbrook	1	0618 (Tara Kole)	
0818 (Donna Peyton)			
John Mallory Asher	1		
0503 (Fred Rinnert)			
Matthew Ashford	1		
1718 (Rick Martel)			
René Ashton	1		
1315 (Justine Wolfe)			
Chuck Ashworth	1		
0817 (Corvette Guy)			

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Obba Babatunde	1
0618 (Joe Banks)	
James Babson	1
1501 (Mickey Clark)	
Gabriel Baca	1
1420 (Jorge)	

Jillian Bach..... 1	Malloy); 1306 (NSA Attorney Jake Malloy); 1309
0719 (Emily Moss)	(Jake Malloy); 1311 (NSA Attorney Jake Mal-
John L. Bader..... 1	loy)
1512 (Desk Clerk)	Lisa Banes..... 1
Larry Bagby..... 1	1219 (Ambassador Olivia Edmunds)
1002 (Craig Wilson)	Hope Banks..... 1
Robert Bagnell..... 1	1705 (Hihobirdie)
0101 (Leonard Rish)	Victoria Barabas..... 1
Iris Bahr..... 1	1204 (Nelly Benin)
1718 (Beverly Berkshire)	Anastasia Baranova..... 1
Katherine Bailess..... 1	1704 (Melissa Canon)
0409 (Madison)	Brandon Barash..... 1
Bonnie Bailey-Reed..... 1	0402 (Ex-Petty Office Derrick Paulson)
2217 (Flo)	Christian Barber..... 1
Brent Bailey..... 1	1613 (Marine Staff Sergeant Chet Zimmerman)
1704 (Kyle Freeman)	Franco Barberis..... 1
Jarrold Bailey..... 1	1510 (Gunnery Sergeant Matt Lecroix)
1115 (Chris Valley)	Hannah Barefoot..... 1
Julian Bailey..... 1	1410 (Haley Chase)
0104 (PO Ronald Zuger)	Christian Barillas..... 1
Samantha Bailey..... 1	2007 (Rafa Lopez)
0424 (Little Angel)	Anna Grace Barlow..... 3
Shel Bailey..... 1	1803 (Karen); 1804 (Karen / Sasha Myshkin); 1805
1607 (Big Bouncer)	(Karen / Sasha Myshkin)
Steven W. Bailey..... 1	Adilah Barnes..... 1
0915 (Dexter Murphy)	1807 (Miss Nellie)
Colin Bain..... 1	Louise Barnes..... 4
0104 (Engign Ray)	1705 (Sarah); 1709 (Sarah); 1710 (Sarah); 1711
Betsy Baker..... 1	(Sarah)
1919 (Ramona)	Priscilla Barnes..... 1
Mary-Bonner Baker..... 1	1305 (Mrs. Skalbe)
1919 (Navy Chief Petty Officer Melissa Fields)	Victoria Barnes..... 1
Robert Baker..... 1	1717 (Whitley)
0106 (Seaman)	Jeff Barnett..... 1
Ron Baker..... 1	0603 (David)
0109 (Major Craig Peary)	Tim Barraco..... 1
Ted Baker..... 1	0221 (Service Technician)
1010 (Navy Lieutenant Joe Baker)	David Barrera..... 1
Wayne Charles Baker..... 1	0413 (Charlie Milla)
1904 (Tunu Alonak)	Michael Des Barres..... 1
Scott Bakula..... 4	1003 (Del Finney)
1118 (NCIS Special Agent Dwayne Cassius Pride);	Alexandra Barreto..... 1
1119 (NCIS Special Agent Dwayne Cassius Pride);	0814 (Navy Petty Officer Rena Oliver)
1312 (NCIS Special Agent Dwayne Pride); 1415	Benjamin Barrett..... 1
(Dwayne Pride)	2014 (Theo Benes)
Sunkrish Bala..... 1	Helena Barrett..... 1
1217 (Sameer Aziz)	0607 (Attractive Recruit)
Adam Baldwin..... 1	Kelli Barrett..... 1
0122 (Cdr. Rainer)	1018 (Ruby Lemere)
Samantha Rose Baldwin..... 1	Mia Barron..... 2
1513 (Volleyball Player)	1323 (Guest Star); 1324 (Doctor)
Richard Balin..... 1	Chantelle Barry..... 1
1013 (Marty)	1514 (Patrice Jansen)
Alex Ball..... 1	Raffi Barsoumian..... 1
1608 (Navy Senior Chief Richard Granger)	0905 (Rafiq Bawali)
Alimi Ballard..... 4	Paul Bartholomew..... 1
0821 (NCIS Special Agent Gayne Levin); 0823 (NCIS	1318 (Spencer Dodd)
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cial Agent Gayne Levin); 0901 (NCIS Special	0412 (Ruby Rae)
Agent Gayne Levin)	Bonnie Bartlett..... 1
Reginald Ballard..... 1	0112 (Dr. Silvia Chalmers)
0117 (Antwane Mann)	Erinn Bartlett..... 1
Sonya Balmores..... 1	0417 (Madeline Torrance)
1407 (Metro PD Officer Sandra Cornell)	Zachary Barton..... 1
Boyana Balta..... 1	2216 (Pottery Studio Instructor)
2209 (Emily Cross)	Ismail Bashey..... 1
Kirk Baltz..... 1	1808 (Nabi)
1516 (Bob Sweeney)	Blake Bashoff..... 1
Jamie Bamber..... 6	0407 (Josh Cooper)
1209 (NSA Attorney Jake Malloy); 1214 (NSA At-	Austin Bass..... 1
torney Jake Malloy); 1222 (NSA Attorney Jake	0601 (Dallas)

Larry Bates	1	Catherine Bell	1
1621 (Malik Madson)		0100 (Lt. Col. Sarah MacKenzie)	
Randall Batinkoff	1	Emma Bell	1
1916 (Walt Freeman)		1708 (Musician First Class Hannah McClain)	
David Batiste	1	Jennifer Sun Bell	2
0414 (Max Phillips)		1712 (Air Traffic Controller Amelia Garcia); 1714	
Jeremy Batiste	2	(Navy Air Traffic Controller Amelia Garcia)	
1710 (Security Guard Joe); 1711 (Security Guard		Michael Bellisario	4
Joe)		0306 (Charles Sterling); 0307 (Charles Sterling);	
Bryan Batt	1	0308 (Charles Sterling); 0309 (Charles Ster-	
1312 (Blye CFO Dalton Greenbrick)		ling)	
Matt Battaglia	1	Troian Avery Bellisario	4
0122 (P.O. Porcaro)		0220 (Sarah); 0316 (Sarah); 0409 (Sarah); 1210	
Steven Bauer	1	(Sarah McGee)	
1812 (Miguel Torres)		Vivienne Bellisario	2
Jennifer Baxter	1	0101 (Mysterious Redhead); 0208 (Mysterious Red-	
1804 (Sienna Michaels)		head)	
Michael Beach	1	Tajh Bellow	2
0913 (Metro Detective Robert Flowers)		1804 (Samuel Miles); 1805 (Navy Petty Officer Samuel	
John Beasley	1	Miles)	
0412 (Daryl Hardy)		Matthew Bellows	1
Lou Beatty Jr.	1	1617 (Navy Captain Reginald Barkley)	
0618 (Issac Curtis)		Tamara Belous	1
Mikie Beatty	1	1204 (Sofia Glazman)	
1410 (Anton Vlastefin A.K.A. Driver)		Christopher Bencomo	1
Mo Beatty	1	1709 (Navy Petty Officer First Class Ian Rojas)	
1713 (Payload Operator)		Cameron Bender	1
Madisen Beaty	1	2209 (Martin Gates)	
0805 (Kristen Haskell)		Brad Benedict	1
Erin Beaux	1	1306 (Navy Lieutenant Nick Rossmore)	
0917 (DIA Officer George Roca)		Robert Patrick Benedict	1
Jim Beaver	1	0212 (Aaron Alan Wright)	
1205 (Captain Tom O'Rourke)		Lourdes Benedicto	1
Mike Beaver	1	1020 (Rebecca)	
0403 (Larry West)		Paris Benjamin	1
Jon Beavers	1	1104 (Mor)	
1311 (Sam Butler)		Chad Bennett	1
Eric E. Beck	1	1218 (Homeland Security Agent #1)	
0819 (Scott)		Elizabeth Bennett	1
Graham Beckel	1	0309 (Carla Johnson)	
1018 (Norman Pittorino)		Fran Bennett	2
Gerry Becker	1	1507 (Mary Elaine Smith); 1515 (Mary Elaine Smith)	
0101 (William Baer)		Liz Benoit	1
Tony Becker	1	1622 (Scholarly Woman 2)	
1915 (Policeman)		Artur Zai Benson	1
Braxton Beckham	1	1910 (Navy Chief Warrant Officer Rafi Nazar)	
1019 (Adam Tepper)		Greg Benson	1
Owen Beckman	1	2016 (Phillip Legrand)	
0502 (Nicholas Barnes)		John Bentley	1
Andy Beckwith	1	0306 (Capt. Arthur Caldwell)	
1321 (Chester Grimm)		Kenajuan Bentley	1
Anne Bedian	1	1910 (Captain Oliver Royce)	
0515 (Hamida)		Michael Benyaer	1
Brea Bee	1	0909 (Osman Zoranj)	
1919 (Mrs. Richter)		Julie Benz	1
Scott Beehner	1	0122 (Mrs. Johnson)	
1121 (Milton)		Jeff Berg	1
Jason Beghe	1	1514 (Michael Barrett)	
0816 (Blake Martin)		John Berg	1
Cedric Begley	1	0304 (General Grant)	
1615 (Blake)		Julian Berlin	1
Emil Beheshti	1	0608 (Didi)	
0910 (FBI Agent Dan Lenroff)		Greg Berman	1
Yeniffer Behrens	1	1813 (Navy Petty Officer Mike Benson)	
1901 (Marta Jiménez)		Jesse Bernstein	1
Will Beinbrink	1	1522 (Doctor Riley)	
1009 (Oliver Lambert)		Blake Berris	1
Shari Belafonte	1	1417 (Walter Shibberd)	
2212 (Professor Annabelle Davis)		Emily Berry	1
Brandon Bell	1	1902 (Gladys)	
0711 (Forest Ranger Jake)			

Mark Berry 1	Nadia Bjorlin 1
1506 (Joe)	0805 (Brittany / Attractive Wife)
Chris Bert 1	Brandon Black 1
1218 (John Dorn)	1917 (Martin Polk)
Madeline Bertani 1	Claudia Black 1
1423 (Regina Jones)	0722 (Velvet Road)
Alexander Bertrand 1	Kaitlyn Black 1
2211 (Frank Sobchek)	1512 (Navy Lieutenant Melissa Newhall / Rita)
Maria Bertrand 1	Lucas Black 4
0305 (Young Woman)	1118 (NCIS Special Agent Christopher Lasalle); 1119
Nathaniel Best 1	(NCIS Special Agent Christopher Lasalle); 1312
2217 (REACT Leader)	(NCIS Special Agent Christopher Lasalle); 1415
Oscar Best 1	(Christopher LaSalle)
2005 (Phil Newcastle)	Taylor Blackwell 1
Wil Bethel 1	1608 (Trista)
0305 (P.O. John Kirby)	Shane Blades 1
Patricia Bethune 1	2011 (Sheila's Husband)
1310 (Paulette Quinn)	Ser'Darius Blain 1
April Betts 1	1019 (Tall Player)
1418 (Waitress)	Eliza Blair 1
Carl Beukes 1	2213 (Life Sequence Rep. Holly)
1623 (John Calfa)	KayKay Blaisdell 1
Joseph Bey 1	2006 (Gen Z Girl)
0108 (Nasser Al Jazair)	Geoffrey Blake 1
Brad Beyer 2	1109 (Marc Attencio)
1006 (Marine Captain Joe Westcott); 1007 (Marine	Kayla Blake 1
Captain Joe Westcott)	2019 (Nurse Allegra)
Satya Bhabha 1	Madeline Blake 2
0909 (Asa Zoranj)	1712 (Lieutenant JG Harper Logan); 1714 (Navy
Ankur Bhatt 1	Lieutenant Junior Grade Harper Logan)
0419 (Salman Umar)	Sean Blakemore 1
Anjali Bhimani 1	0812 (Navy Chief Petty Officer Jerome Carr)
1513 (Sara Petrie)	Robert Blanche 1
David Bianchi 1	0304 (Brett Willis)
1917 (Kyle Jennings)	Natasha Blasick 1
David Bickford 1	1912 (Elena Dovhal)
1210 (Priest)	Kelly Blatz 1
Matt Biedel 1	1309 (Kyle Friedgen)
1111 (Navy Lieutenant Kevin Daly)	Tanner Blaze 1
Andrew Bilgore 1	0607 (Tommy Page)
1620 (Franklin Morrison)	Troy Blendell 1
Tom Billett 1	1813 (Bernard Wilson)
1311 (Viggo Trellis)	Cory Blevins 1
Beau Billingslea 1	1202 (Father)
1507 (Denny Rydell)	Ronnie Gene Blevins 1
John Billingsley 1	0619 (Ronald Nowakowski)
0422 (Jackson Scott)	Mark Bloom 1
Ange Billman 1	2018 (Dr. Marley)
0212 (Sales Person 2)	David Blue 1
Gregg Binkley 1	2008 (Charlie Samuels)
2008 (Bob Stivers)	Donny Boaz 1
Bill Birch 1	1120 (Navy Lieutenant Kit Jones)
0105 (State Trooper Dan Lynch)	Cybus Bobak 1
Lilli Birdsell 1	1608 (Aazar Atwa)
0503 (Jill Reynolds)	John Bobek 1
Peter Birkenhead 1	1814 (Sergeant Barnes)
0421 (Elroy Webster)	Ben Bode 1
Jeremiah Birkett 1	1602 (Dan Reynolds)
1718 (Dean Neil Patterson)	Wolfgang Bodison 1
Tarek Bishara 1	0717 (National Park Inspector Edward Killian)
1910 (Afghan Ambassador Tariq Dotani)	Alisha Boe 1
John Bishop 1	1306 (Farrah Meyers)
2020 (Army Surplus Store Owner)	Jeff Boehm 1
Rian Bishop 1	2022 (Prison Detention Officer Oris Glazebrook)
1508 (Orderly)	Jeffrey Boehm 1
Danielle Bisutti 1	2101 (Prison Detention Officer Otis Glazebrook)
1010 (Secret Service Agent Ashley Winter)	Andrea Bogart 1
David Bittick 1	1017 (Melissa Tourney)
1408 (Army Sergeant Tom Healy)	Kevin Bohleber 1
Ryan Bittle 1	2212 (Stetchy Dude)
0611 (Metro Detective Justin Kemp)	

Salman Bokhari..... 1	Andrew Bowen 1
0613 (Young Afghani Man)	1404 (Merrick Gomer)
Ck Bolado 1	Tom Bower 1
2203 (Ray)	0203 (Sheriff Miller Thompson)
Kamal Angelo Bolden 1	Austin Bowerman..... 1
1517 (Clarence Wyatt)	1107 (Young Walter Beck)
Rob Boltin 1	Nadia Bowers 1
0203 (Marine Capt. Rod Newell)	0910 (Gwyneth Massey)
Michael Bolus 1	Lauren Bowles 2
0622 (Max Talia)	0105 (Mary Wiles); 1916 (Nance Freeman)
Victor Bonavida 1	Branton Box 1
0109 (Zack)	0902 (John Smith)
Elizabeth Bond 1	Bruce Boxleitner 2
2017 (Karen Graham)	0807 (Vice Admiral C. Clifford Chase); 1420 (Vice Admiral C. Clifford Chase)
Andrew Bongiorno 1	Lombardo Boyar 1
1219 (Navy Lieutenant Louis Freston)	0915 (Felix Quintero)
Peter Bonilla..... 1	Cayden Boyd 1
1216 (Edgar Bron)	1605 (First Lt. Danny Hall)
Karina Bonnefil 1	Jaxy Boyd 1
1903 (Alexis)	1902 (Michelle)
Bryan Boone 1	Michele Boyd 1
1218 (Homeland Security Agent #2)	1617 (Chief Petty Officer Emily Ross)
Richard Boone 1	Rebecca Boyd 1
1017 (Keir O'Donnell)	0109 (Sarah Kidwell)
Lindy Booth 1	Christopher Boyer 1
0707 (Amanda Barrow)	1324 (Doctor Edgar Polk)
Cherise Boothe 1	Kate Boyer 1
1421 (Female Marine Officer)	1918 (U.S. Deputy Marshal Cindy Carter)
Nick Boraine..... 3	Katy Boyer..... 1
1803 (Merriweather); 1804 (Merriweather / Alexi Myshkin); 1805 (Merriweather)	0111 (Lieutenant Egan)
Andrew Borba 1	Terry Bozeman 1
0621 (Doctor Phillip Heller)	0422 (Navy Cmdr. Doug Jakobsen)
Andrea Bordeaux 1	Taylor Bracken..... 1
1103 (Courtney)	1917 (PO3 Sally Jordan)
Jeffrey Thomas Border..... 1	Mike Bradecich..... 1
0810 (Nog Drinker)	1313 (Former NSA Analyst Adam Connors)
Jake Borelli..... 1	Jesse Bradford 1
1315 (Dean Campbell)	1408 (John Bishop)
Emanuel Borria 1	Brendan Bradley 1
1424 (Ricardo)	1009 (Male Guest)
Gregoer Boru 1	Danna Brady 1
1210 (Douglas VonDorothy AKA Krampus)	0920 (Judy)
Todd Bosley 1	Derrex Brady 1
2204 (FBI Tech)	0208 (Navy Corpsman)
Rachel Boston..... 1	Abby Brammell..... 1
0405 (Siri Albert)	0803 (Marine Sergeant Heather Dempsey)
Sara Botsford..... 1	Steve Brand 1
0421 (Dr. Helen Berkley)	0216 (Ian Hitch)
Ron Bottitta 1	Larry Brandenburg 1
0804 (British Royal Marine Captain William Jami- son)	0718 (Hubble)
Timothy Bottoms..... 1	Rebekah Brandes 1
0203 (Ritt Everett)	0612 (Zoe Bellows)
David Dean Bottrell..... 1	Betsy Brandt 1
1010 (Assistant Director of Operations Donald Lin- der)	0202 (P.O. Barbara Swain)
Maya Boudreau 1	Jeremy Brandt 1
1916 (Lola Morales)	0316 (Corpsman)
Chris Boudreaux..... 1	Mac Brandt..... 1
1806 (Jesse Duncan)	1105 (Jake Spoke)
Hilda Boulware..... 1	Brigid Brannagh 3
1813 (Madame Foreperson)	0219 (Catherine Reynolds); 2016 (Senator Constance Miller); 2021 (Senator Constance Miller)
J.R. Bourne 1	Jeff Branson..... 1
0509 (Det. Marshall Collins)	1122 (Navy Commander Chad Hendricks)
Kirk Bovill 1	David Brant 1
1610 (Richard Sims)	0309 (NCIS Special Agent David Brant)
Lilan Bowden..... 3	Sharon Brathwaite..... 1
2008 (Robin Knight); 2211 (Robin Knight); 2216 (Robin Knight)	1320 (Lisa Marsden)
	Steve Braun 1
	0420 (Landon Grey)

Wendy Braun..... 1	Caleb Brown..... 1
0311 (Cindy Sanchez)	0315 (Petty Officer Third Class Michael Jones)
Ciara Bravo..... 1	Danny Brown..... 1
1401 (Amanda Campbell)	1713 (Sophie)
Jonathan Bray..... 1	Dante Brown..... 1
2204 (Senator Judd Larmont)	0912 (Dave)
Lauren Bray..... 1	Daryl C. Brown..... 1
1307 (Makaela Hayes)	1604 (Navy Commander Lovinder Prasad)
Peter Breitmayer..... 1	Dorian Brown..... 1
1016 (Dwight Romano)	0504 (FBI Special Agent Courtney Krieger)
Mila Brener..... 1	Garrett M. Brown..... 1
1301 (Kelly Gibbs)	1620 (Retired Marine General James Wallace)
Matthew Brenher..... 1	Gilbert Glenn Brown..... 1
1314 (Mattias Groller)	1907 (Carson Granger)
Troy R. Brenna..... 1	Jessica Brown..... 1
0609 (Kidnapper)	1202 (Jen)
Philippe Brenninkmeyer..... 1	Marcus Brown..... 1
1209 (Dapper Don / Alberto Velez)	0701 (Navy Petty Officer Dominic Dimarco)
Abigail Breslin..... 1	Millie Bobby Brown..... 1
0201 (Sandy Watson)	1206 (Rachel Barnes)
Andrew Bridges..... 1	Morgan Peter Brown..... 1
1420 (Navy Lieutenant Lazlo Downey)	2217 (Paul Morton)
Steve Bridges..... 1	Neil Brown Jr..... 1
0101 (George W. Bush)	1023 (Martin Archer)
Freedom Bridgewater..... 1	Novi Brown..... 1
1905 (Sergeant Joe)	1917 (Olive Miller)
April Brinson..... 1	Rickey Eugene Brown..... 1
1513 (Genevieve Bell)	1810 (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Ed Thomas)
Brent Briscoe..... 1	Robert Curtis Brown..... 1
1420 (Buzz)	0803 (Gary Tolin)
Benny Briseño..... 1	Sophina Brown..... 1
1803 (Xander Price)	1020 (Navy reservist Callie Daniels)
James C. Bristow..... 1	Sterling K. Brown..... 1
1421 (Marcel Alonzo)	1110 (Elijah Banner)
Patrick Bristow..... 1	Tyree Brown..... 1
1913 (Channing Elroy)	1207 (Zak)
Lizze Broadway..... 1	Wes Brown..... 1
1513 (Mandy)	0811 (Marine First Lieutenant Jeremy Nolan)
Joshua Brockington..... 1	Chris Browning..... 1
1906 (Petty Officer 3rd Class Felix Cross)	1815 (NCIS REACT Supervisory Special Agent Tom Dalton)
Lee Broda..... 1	Rob Brownstein..... 1
1018 (Afghan Mother)	0413 (Wayne Gordon)
Michael Broderick..... 1	Tabitha Brownstone..... 1
1414 (Navy Commander James Shelty)	2206 (Lauren Jacobs)
Ivar Brogger..... 1	Dylan Bruce..... 1
0315 (Simon Katz)	0908 (Justin Fanniker)
Jayne Brook..... 1	Justin Bruening..... 1
0420 (Lyndi Crawshaw)	2203 (Lieutenant Bryce Prescott)
Kallee Brookes..... 1	Jackson Brundage..... 1
0719 (Gwen)	0722 (Tommy Smith)
Brandon Brooks..... 1	Chris Bruno..... 1
2219 (Crispin Shaker Jr.)	0711 (Navy Captain James "Sandman" Powell)
Emerson Brooks..... 1	Dylan Bruno..... 2
0504 (Navy Lt. Carl Greer)	0723 (Jason Paul Dean); 0724 (Jason Paul Dean)
Jason Brooks..... 1	Eric Bruskotter..... 1
0109 (Marine Major Danny O'Donnell)	0906 (Lester)
Joel Brooks..... 1	Roxana Brusso..... 1
1117 (Ronnie Mustard)	0424 (Noemi Cruz)
Richard Brooks..... 1	Greg Bryan..... 1
0109 (Lieutenant Colonel Walsh)	1424 (Donald Burke)
S. Zylan Brooks..... 1	Lachlan Buchanan..... 1
1506 (Catherine Scott)	1317 (Navy Petty Officer Second Class James Muldoon)
Benjamin Brown..... 1	Will Buchanan..... 1
0319 (Marine Capt. Arvidas)	1110 (Marine Corporal Ron Flegman)
Billy Brown..... 1	Tara Buck..... 1
0208 (Chief P.O. Velat)	0202 (P.O. Tara Marshall)
Billy Aaron Brown..... 1	Shea Buckner..... 1
0220 (Man in Mask / Donny Potter)	1608 (Xavier Blackburn)
Brianna Brown..... 1	
2206 (Melinda Martin)	

Susse Budde 1
 0307 (Laura Osgood)

Paulina Bugembe 1
 1703 (Military Police Officer Vera Armstrong)

Gus Buktenica 1
 1623 (Drunk Guy)

Burt Bulos 2
 0323 (Abog Galib); 0324 (Abog Galib)

William Bumiller 1
 0603 (Admiral Charles Graves)

Cara Buono 1
 0708 (Navy Commander Sarah Resnik)

Michael Buonomo 1
 1106 (Coast Guard Petty Officer Third Class Dennis Latrobe)

Dominic Burgess 1
 2203 (Leonard)

Richard Burgi 1
 0723 (Randall Hammond)

Jandres Burgos 1
 1424 (R.A.C. Guard #2)

Carlease Burke 3
 0619 (D'Arcy McKinna); 0709 (D'Arcy McKinna);
 1206 (D'Arcy McKinna)

David Burke 1
 1713 (George Ingram)

Keith Burke 1
 0621 (FBI Agent)

Leith M. Burke 1
 0811 (Marine Captain Jared Bratton)

Michael Reilly Burke 1
 0307 (Frank Connell)

Will Burke 1
 0212 (Det. Miller)

Brandi Burkhardt 1
 0911 (Desk Clerk)

Brian Burnett 1
 0622 (Benji Kass)

Adam Burnette 1
 1511 (Steven Denridge)

Olivia Burnette 1
 0222 (Sarah Lowel)

Gabriel Burrafato 1
 2201 (Reverend Edward Pike)

Adam Busch 1
 1407 (Jankowski)

Jake Busey 1
 1516 (Whit Dexter)

Jene Bush 1
 1921 (Frank Ressler / Birdwatcher)

Kristen Bush 1
 0606 (Marine Sergeant Alice Hardy)

Matt Bushell 1
 0221 (Marine Lt. Rob King)

Floyd Van Buskirk 1
 0220 (Rodney Garrison)

Jacob Buster 1
 2207 (Daniel Simmons)

Anahi Bustillos 1
 1814 (Doctor Sarah Hildegard)

Melody Butiu 1
 1013 (Patricia Richert)

Chris Butler 1
 1804 (Clarence)

Jaymes Butler 1
 1516 (Tom Moore)

Lucy Butler 1
 1110 (Roda Robinson)

Nicole J. Butler 1
 1311 (Coordinator)

Preston Butler III 1
 1811 (Kendle Spotnitz)

La Monde Byrd 1
 1403 (Marine Capt. Rand Kraus)

P.J. Byrne 1
 0313 (Ross Logan)

C

John Cabrera 1
 0409 (Officer Samuel Tate)

Kurt Caceres 1
 0615 (Marine Staff Sergeant Vincente Medina)

J.R. Cacia 1
 0415 (Detective John Carson)

Frank Caeti 1
 0708 (Gamer Nerd)

Stephen Caffrey 1
 1616 (Kevin Braddish)

Patrick Cage 1
 1718 (Taye Tanner)

Erin Cahill 1
 0703 (Navy Lieutenant Jessica Summers)

Kevin Cahoon 1
 0815 (Joe Don Wynn)

Ben Cain 1
 1217 (Cy White)

Thomas Calabro 1
 0813 (Len Feeney)

Sofie Calderon 1
 1720 (Joan)

Wilmer Calderon 1
 1404 (Wayne Cribbage A.K.A. Tiger Dad)

Jeremiah Latrell Caldwell 1
 2212 (Burly Bouncer)

K Callan 1
 1716 (Bertha Jones-Delacroix)

K Callen 1
 0817 (Grace Mullen)

Lorenzo Callender 1
 0803 (Gene Abbott)

Vanessa Bell Calloway 1
 1118 (Sally Hammond)

Ryan Caltagirone 1
 0723 (Navy Seaman Karl Wachter)

Sadie Calvano 1
 0802 (Rebecca Mason)

Peter Cambor 2
 0622 (Operational Psychologist Nate Getz); 0623
 (Operational Psychologist Nate Getz)

Dean Cameron 2
 1017 (Derek Magyar); 1122 (Building Owner)

Jonathan Camp 1
 1005 (Petty Officer First Class Colin Boxer)

Collin Campana 1
 2020 (Kenji)

Jeff Campanella 1
 1002 (Store Clerk)

Adam Campbell 4
 1203 (Young Ducky); 1311 (Young Dr. Donald Mallard);
 1410 (Young Ducky); 1802 (Young Donald Mallard)

Anna Campbell 1
 1903 (Army First Lieutenant DFAS Andrea Falco)

Debbie Campbell 1
 0415 (Mary Elizabeth Donahue)

Karis Campbell 1
 0509 (Navy Lt. Elaine Taylor)

Ray Campbell 1
 0618 (Tatum Dell)

Sarah Campbell..... 1	Tatiana Carr..... 1
0722 (College-Aged Girl)	1703 (Sara Jones)
Scott Michael Campbell..... 1	Alexis Carra 1
0406 (Robert Miller)	1519 (Kelly Conner)
Michael Canaan..... 1	Keith Carradine..... 1
0202 (MP)	1117 (Manheim Gold)
John Henry Canavan..... 1	Maritxell Carrero..... 1
0610 (Jake Munro)	2019 (Waitress)
Michael Canavan..... 1	Sean Carrigan..... 1
1409 (Retired Navy Admiral Thomas Garscott)	1418 (Michael Vinton)
Jackson Canning..... 1	Erick Carrillo..... 1
2212 (Sketchy Senior)	2019 (Mateo Serrano)
Harold Cannon-Lopez..... 1	Christopher Carrington..... 1
1424 (Elderly Man)	1704 (Navy Seaman Ronald 'Ronny' T. Jones)
Jose Pablo Cantillo..... 1	Charles Carroll..... 1
1915 (DEA Agent Mark Sisco)	0611 (Dr. Pryor)
Joanna Canton..... 1	Madeline Carroll..... 1
0913 (Sandy Milton)	0709 (Angela Kelp)
Juan Carlos Cantu..... 1	Rocky Carroll..... 4
1401 (Leo Silva)	0514 (NCIS Asst. Director Leon Vance); 0515 (NCIS
Matt Caplan..... 1	Asst. Director Leon Vance); 0517 (NCIS Asst.
1007 (Marine Private Paul "McCartney" Patterson)	Director Leon Vance); 0519 (NCIS Asst. Direc-
Andrew Caple-Shaw..... 1	tor Leon Vance)
0305 (P.O. Jerry Smith)	June Carryl..... 1
Francis Capra..... 1	1514 (Julia Marino)
0709 (Eddie Castillo)	Jennifer Carta..... 1
Sommer Carbuccia..... 1	1619 (Navy Captain Veronica Crawford)
2209 (Marine Lance Corporal Brian Zanella)	Abby Carter..... 1
Matty Cardarople..... 1	1717 (Claire O'Donnell)
1519 (Guest Star)	Alex Carter..... 1
Juan Javier Cardenas..... 1	1415 (Knox Ellicott)
2108 (Carlos 'El Viento' Savina)	Jade Carter..... 1
Nick Cardiff..... 1	0318 (Marine Capt. Daniel Wise)
1919 (Jason Samuels)	Vonzell Carter..... 1
Maryfrances Careccia..... 1	2006 (Instructor)
1813 (Bailiff)	Gabrielle Carteris..... 1
Jesse Carere..... 1	1513 (Julie Bell)
1019 (Navy Seaman Eric Landis)	Manny Cartier..... 1
Clare Carey..... 2	1808 (Marine)
0914 (Ann Gibbs); 1124 (Ann Gibbs)	Caitlin Carver..... 1
Drew Carey..... 1	1315 (Megan Porter)
1516 (John Ross)	Cuyle Carvin..... 1
Ryan Carlberg..... 1	1004 (Navy Lieutenant Commander Oliver Happ)
1219 (Navy Petty Officer First Class John Goode)	Justin Chu Cary..... 1
Amy Carlson..... 1	1122 (Marine Staff Sergeant Martin 'Shooter' Roe)
0510 (Karen Sutherland)	David Carzell..... 1
Tierra Carlson..... 1	1806 (Michael Hodge)
1005 (Chaya's Girlfriend)	Philip Casnoff..... 2
Chris Carmack..... 2	0901 (Sean Latham); 0912 (Sean Latham)
0614 (Kevin Nelson); 0615 (Kevin Nelson)	Yvette Cason..... 1
Matthew Carmody..... 1	1711 (Maureen)
0202 (Lt. J.G. Chaplain Brian Evans)	Paul Cassell..... 1
Ryan Carnes..... 1	1017 (Bart Crowley)
0820 (Bryce Leitner)	Matty Castano..... 1
Andi Carnick..... 1	1418 (Eric)
0812 (Penny Block)	Joseph Castanon..... 1
Ansel Carpenter..... 1	0307 (Zach Tanner)
1915 (Young Billy)	Lincoln A. Castellanos..... 1
Charles Carpenter..... 1	2109 (Exterminator Marty)
1806 (Sheriff Marcus Mayes)	Enrique Castillo..... 1
David Carpenter..... 1	0817 (Ruleo Medilla)
1704 (Henry Hoss)	Hermie Castillo..... 1
Marnee Carpenter..... 1	1414 (Zeke)
2109 (Alma)	Karina Noelle Castillo..... 3
Willie C. Carpenter..... 1	1903 (FBI Agent Ramirez); 1904 (FBI Agent Ramirez);
0212 (Arthur Gruden)	2001 (FBI Agent Ramirez)
James Carpinello..... 1	Challen Cates..... 1
0810 (Smitty Brown)	1115 (Fay Gussman)
Jane Carr..... 1	Robert Catrini..... 2
2003 (Dr. Erica Heller)	1013 (Jake Ford); 2204 (General Floyd Brancato)

Jason Catron..... 1	Johnny Chavez..... 1
1524 (Retired Captain Chester Kelb)	0703 (Driver)
Austin Cauldwell..... 1	Gilbert Chayrez-Chavarria..... 1
2011 (Travis Jacobs)	2201 (Male REACT Agent)
Bobby Ray Cauley Jr..... 1	Scott Checansky..... 1
1523 (ND Caddy)	0517 (Milo Suskavcevic)
Maxwell Caulfield..... 1	Tatiana Chekhova..... 1
1022 (Dr. Maddison Fielding)	1305 (Reena Deesie)
Jessica Cavanagh..... 1	Michael J. Chen..... 1
1707 (Monica Shaw)	2105 (Sailor #1)
Dean Cechvala..... 1	Victor William Chen..... 1
0415 (Frank Holtz)	2105 (Chinese Man)
Larry Cedar..... 1	Mary Chieffo..... 1
0218 (Jason Kaplan)	2002 (Sierra Thompson)
Christian Cehring..... 1	Michael Chieffo..... 1
1103 (Metro Police Officer Owen Tamblin)	1813 (Randy Devereaux)
Sandra Cevallos..... 1	Stephanie Childers..... 1
1813 (Monica Perez)	1022 (Miss Gillers)
Salvador Chacon..... 1	Chip Chinery..... 1
1501 (Guard)	1501 (NCIS Agent Rodney Spence)
Esther K. Chae..... 1	Nick Chinlund..... 1
0314 (Yoon Dawson)	0516 (Det. Steve Rosetti)
Flor de Maria Chahua..... 1	Tim Chiou..... 1
1509 (Nurse)	0613 (Petty Officer Kevin Lim)
Marcus Chait..... 1	David Chisum..... 2
0603 (Cole Erickson)	1308 (Dr. David Woods); 1316 (Dr. David Woods)
Samran Chakrabarti..... 1	Julia Cho..... 1
1312 (Jenner Blye)	1120 (Ginger Uwanawich)
Cliff Chamberlain..... 1	Tom Choi..... 1
1703 (Peter Buck)	1309 (Navy Commander Bradley Hall)
Adam Chambers..... 1	Alfred K. Chow..... 1
1216 (Robbie Santori)	2108 (Driver)
Joe Chambrello..... 1	Claudia Christian..... 1
2010 (Kidnapper)	1411 (Agent Moreau)
Sanjay Chandani..... 1	Kimberly Christian..... 1
1202 (Surgeon)	1904 (Nina Bradshaw)
Sarah Chaney..... 1	Debra Christofferson..... 2
1912 (DIA Agent Collins)	1005 (Rita Gregg); 2220 (Uta)
Christina Chang..... 1	Cary Christopher..... 1
1315 (NCIS Special Agent Valeri Page)	2106 (Kaiden Silcott / AI Kaiden)
Emily Chang..... 1	Scott Christopher..... 1
1002 (Phyllis Moss)	1719 (Detective Edmund Kerrigan)
Kevin Changaris..... 1	Tony Christopher..... 1
2010 (Simon Williams)	0922 (Seaman)
Kevin Chapman..... 1	Kevin Christy..... 1
1915 (Billy Doyle)	0915 (Clarence Tobett)
Derek Chariton..... 1	Alexandra Bokyun Chun..... 1
1901 (Lonny)	1616 (Phyllis Wu)
Gaius Charles..... 1	Mark Ciarrocchi..... 1
0921 (Baltimore Detective Jason King)	2020 (Rylan Marsh)
Nancy Linehan Charles..... 1	Robert Cicchini..... 2
1810 (Ruthann Harrison)	0116 (Agent Pacci); 0123 (Agent Snyder)
Stephanie Charles..... 1	Jude Ciccolella..... 3
1205 (Coast Guard Petty Officer Patricia Felton)	0608 (Secretary of the Navy Phillip Davenport); 0624 (Secretary of the Navy Phillip Davenport); 0824 (Secretary of the Navy Phillip Davenport)
William Charlton..... 1	Enzo Cilent..... 2
1313 (Metro P.D. Jeff Katz)	0407 (Mamoun Sharif); 0413 (Mamoun Sharif)
Brent Chase..... 1	Dennice Cisneros..... 1
1011 (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Nathan Thomas)	1905 (Disposal Technician a.k.a. Helen)
Hayley Chase..... 1	Julie Claire..... 1
0719 (Kimberly)	0621 (Lois Heller)
Jonathan Chase..... 2	Adam Clark..... 1
1712 (Commander Marshall May); 1714 (Navy Com- mander Marshall May)	1121 (Fred Johnson)
François Chau..... 1	Nathan Ray Clark..... 1
1616 (Henry Deng)	2211 (NCIS Special Agent Plotter / Priest)
Hong Chau..... 1	Spencer Treat Clark..... 1
0718 (FBI Lab Tech Molly Choi)	1413 (Ryan Smith)
Christinna Chauncey..... 1	Dameon Clarke..... 1
0703 (Andrea Morton)	1108 (Homicide Detective Paul Dockry)
Stephanie Chaves-Jacobsen..... 1	
1204 (FBI Agent Leia Pendergast)	

Larry Clarke..... 1	James Coholan..... 1
0304 (Director)	1008 (High School Kid 2)
Sarah Clarke..... 2	Candice Coke..... 1
1323 (FBI Special Agent Tess Monroe); 1324 (FBI Special Agent Tess Monroe)	0509 (Det. Danielle Hamilton)
Paul Clausen..... 1	Pressly Coker..... 1
0402 (Young Man)	1205 (Navy Chief Petty Officer Leonard Jones)
Shaun Clay..... 1	Tug Coker..... 1
1516 (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Albert Dale)	1309 (State's Attorney Alan Wyner)
Amanda Clayton..... 1	Samantha Colburn..... 1
2018 (Lieutenant Rachel Donahue)	1419 (Bridget O'Leary)
Terrel Clayton..... 1	John Brantley Cole Jr..... 1
0616 (Navy Commander Carl Davis)	0621 (Orderly)
Frank Clem..... 1	Mary Cole..... 2
1707 (Phil Rutland)	2208 (Audrey the Barista); 2215 (Audrey the Barista)
Christian Clemenson..... 1	Ralph Cole Jr..... 1
0620 (Perry Sterling)	1602 (Gary Clifford)
Kendall Clement..... 1	Shelly Cole..... 1
0202 (Foreman)	0424 (Bernadette Watkins)
Aixa Clemente..... 1	Taylor Cole..... 1
2015 (Nancy)	0719 (Charlotte Cook)
Bob Clendenin..... 1	Dabney Coleman..... 1
1624 (Guest Star)	1612 (Army Corporal John Sydney)
David Clennon..... 1	Grantham Coleman..... 1
0903 (Max Ellswood)	1310 (Richard Doogan)
Stephanie Cleough..... 1	Kari Coleman..... 1
1812 (Kelly Larson)	0615 (Maggie Scott)
Herve Clermont..... 1	John R. Colley..... 1
1315 (Christian Brodrick)	1122 (Christopher Ramos)
Nick Clifford..... 1	Chad Michael Collins..... 1
1423 (Navy Petty Officer First Class Reed Harring)	0812 (Navy Petty Officer First Class Simon Craig)
Shawn Patrick Clifford..... 1	Greg Collins..... 1
1910 (Mike)	1415 (Metro Police Officer)
Michelle Clunie..... 1	Jessica Collins..... 1
1013 (Meredith Dunn)	1002 (Judy Ford)
Heather Avery Clyde..... 1	Julianne Collins..... 1
0403 (Lt. Anne Sullivan (uncredited))	2016 (Dorothy Quinlan)
Becca Q. Co..... 1	Misha Collins..... 1
2021 (Gwen Yong)	0403 (Justin Farris)
Abbie Cobb..... 1	Luke Colombero..... 1
1607 (Melanie Keller)	1111 (Tommy Daly)
Kate Cobb..... 1	Ziah Colon..... 1
1421 (Reagan Reilly)	1907 (Pilar Rivera)
Gabi Coccio..... 4	Seth Coltan..... 1
1012 (13-Year Old Ziva David); 1021 (Young Ziva David); 1101 (13-year-old Ziva David); 1102 (13-year-old Ziva David)	1506 (Deputy Allen Smedley)
Shannon Cochran..... 1	Dominique Columbus..... 1
1115 (Mallory Linn)	1807 (Corey Jackson)
Annalisa Cochran..... 1	Mercedes Colón..... 1
2015 (Lisa Swenson)	0111 (Gina)
Dennis Cockrum..... 1	Andy Comeau..... 1
2218 (Senator)	1715 (Detective Tom Logan)
Claire Coffee..... 1	Nina Concepción..... 1
0403 (Nikki Crawshaw)	2103 (NCIS Dispatch Operator Gladys Molina)
Shane Coffey..... 1	Crystal Coney..... 1
1809 (Sean Greco)	1623 (Clara Woods)
Andy Cohen..... 1	Adam Conger..... 1
1509 (Dr. Warren Cole)	0712 (Bellhop)
Assaf Cohen..... 1	Paul Conkling..... 1
0414 (Eli "Goliath" Lisack)	0810 (Hunter)
Lisa Cohen..... 1	Jack Conley..... 3
0620 (Nurse)	0703 (Metro Detective Danny Sportelli); 0904 (Metro Detective Danny Sportelli); 1503 (Detective Danny Sportelli)
Patrick Cohen..... 2	Tim Conlon..... 1
0919 (Petty Officer Third Class Dan Garscott); 2017 (Pastor Eddie Watkins)	1314 (Jerry Grossman)
Robyn Cohen..... 1	Edward Conna..... 1
0805 (Annie Nelson)	0505 (Metro Police Sgt. Frank Thompson)
Yonel Cohen..... 1	Brendan Patrick Connor..... 1
1701 (Beer Thief)	1214 (Travis 'Piggy' Phelps)
	James Michael Connor..... 1
	0903 (Andrew Pike)

Elizabeth Connors 1	Steven Cox 1
0221 (Kathy Webb)	1414 (Taj Robinson)
Scott Connors 1	Josh Coxx 1
0616 (Marine Sergeant Mitch Wilkins)	1413 (Navy Captain Paul Smith)
Jesse Conrad 1	Chris Coy 1
2009 (William Watson)	1213 (Davis Riley)
Shane Conrad 1	Peter Coyote 1
0223 (Navy Lt. Dean Westfall)	0611 (Ned Quinn)
Westfall Shane Conrad 1	Matt Crabtree 1
0223 (Navy Lt. Dean)	0616 (Curt Carver)
Brennan Keel Cook 1	Milo Cragnotti 1
1918 (Travis Williams)	2110 (Young Parker)
David Cooley 1	Robert Craighead 1
2216 (Firefighter Buddy)	0916 (DEA Agent Simon Lewis)
Darin Cooper 1	Michael Cram 1
1302 (Roy Evans)	1316 (ATF Special Agent Earl Kitt)
Jenny Cooper 1	Gregory Crane 1
1008 (Connie Martin)	0321 (ERT Member)
Samantha Cope 1	Frank Cranston 1
1219 (Heather)	0223 (NSA Officer)
Martin Copping 1	Aaron Craven 1
1706 (Benny)	1707 (U.S. Congressman for Virginia Eric Riley)
Alicia Coppola 4	Matt Craven 10
0100 (Lt. Cmdr. Faith Coleman); 0118 (Lt. Cmdr. Faith Coleman); 0207 (Lt. Cmdr. Faith Coleman); 0221 (Lt. Cmdr. Faith Coleman)	0824 (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis); 0901 (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis); 0905 (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis); 0908 (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis); 0909 (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis); 0912 (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis); 0918 (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis); 1001 (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis); 1012 (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis); 1101 (Secretary of the Navy Clayton Jarvis)
Matt Corboy 1	Daz Crawford 1
0513 (Petty Officer Lance Tolliver)	0415 (Matt Barrows)
Annie Corley 1	Jarrold Crawford 1
0210 (Deputy Secretary of State Elliot)	0309 (Marine M.P. Sgt. Brooks)
Ethan Corn 1	Nikki Crawford 1
2108 (Physician)	1810 (Doctor Shawna Street)
Tonya Cornelisse 1	Thomas Crawford 1
0612 (Kayla Vicari)	1802 (Dr. Magnus)
Curt Cornelius 1	Cassandra Creech 1
1216 (Metro P.D. Lt. Cody Oaks)	1620 (Amy Tano)
Celestin Cornielle 1	Sue Cremin 1
0423 (Marine Cpl. Keener)	1117 (Vivian Sutton)
Antoni Corone 1	Richard Anthony Crenna 1
2109 (Carl Bannon)	0101 (Chief Steward)
Mary Kate Corsetti 1	Rebecca Creskoff 1
1706 (Tanya Owens)	0619 (Hillary Taffet)
Katherine Cortez 1	Frank Crim 1
1901 (Thelma McKeever)	1319 (Dave)
Joe Corzo 1	Chelsey Crisp 1
1914 (Henchman #1)	0607 (Grace Pendland)
Lisa Costanza 1	Myndy Crist 1
2015 (Landlord)	1220 (Jennifer Vickers)
Robert Costanzo 1	Jason Cristopher 1
0205 (Jimmy Napalitano)	0210 (Motorcycle Rider)
Tom Costello 1	Roark Critchlow 1
1409 (Nathan Roberts)	0811 (Wayne Grossman)
John Cothran Jr. 1	Devin Crittenden 1
0920 (Alfred Holbrook)	2104 (Mickey Steele / Clown)
Kevin Cotteleer 1	Adam Croasdell 4
0904 (Paul Marvin Arliss)	1203 (Young Angus Clarke); 1311 (Young Angus Clarke); 1410 (Young Angus Clarke); 1413 (Young Angus Clarke)
Erin Cottrell 1	Adam Cropper 1
0911 (Marine Lieutenant Emma Reynolds)	2009 (Jared Clarkson)
Brian Cousins 1	Denise Crosby 1
0417 (Jacob Torrance)	1910 (Secretary of the Navy Hattie Taylor)
Christopher Cousins 1	Fred Cross 1
0621 (Jordan Jones)	1104 (Roland Pulvino)
Alvin Cowan 1	
1211 (Metro P.D. LEO)	
Cameron Cowperthwaite 1	
1605 (Young Marine Corporal Thomas Fletcher)	
Christina Cox (I) 1	
0813 (Marine Gunnery Sergeant Georgia Wooten)	
Patrick Cox 1	
1809 (Parking Enforcement Officer Carl Bjork)	

Roger R. Cross 1
 0513 (Lt. Cmdr. David Warfield)

Iman Crosson 1
 2106 (Navy Lieutenant Elliot Greene / Man)

Matthew Crowley 1
 1424 (Doug)

Shireen Crutchfield 1
 1517 (Jane)

Marcos Cruz 1
 1205 (Young Hijacker)

Valerie Cruz 1
 1016 (Anna)

Wilson Cruz 1
 0420 (Todd Ryder)

Jon Cryer 3
 1301 (Dr. Cyril Taft); 1308 (Dr. Cyril Taft); 1316 (Dr. Cyril Taft)

Cecile Cubilo 1
 1616 (Cosette)

Brett Cullen 2
 0323 (Navy Capt. Todd Gelfand); 0324 (Navy Capt. Todd Gelfand)

Sean Cullen 1
 0822 (Police Major Frank Raimey)

Kale Culley 1
 1707 (Dylan)

Clint Culp 1
 1517 (Roy Baxter)

Steven Culp 1
 0506 (Navy Cmdr. William Skinner)

Ryan Culver 2
 0122 (Man); 0223 (Navy Lt. Curtis Janssen)

Daniel Cummings 1
 1320 (Sheriff's Deputy Hicks)

Erin Cummings 1
 1620 (Marine Major Ellen Wallace)

Gregory Scott Cummins 1
 1304 (Kobe (Beef) Clarke)

Katherine Cunningham 1
 1418 (Navy Lieutenant Laura Ellison)

Tristan Cunningham 1
 1815 (Nurse Janeway)

Briana Cuoco 1
 1709 (Rosalind)

Justin Cuomo 1
 1112 (Navy Petty Officer First Class Patrice Gates)

Johanna Curé 1
 2101 (Aida Torres)

Holly Curran 1
 1909 (Ruby Holdren)

Sondra Currie 1
 0321 (Lillian Hencheck)

Jon Curry 1
 0412 (Deputy Tyler Barrett)

Jamie Lee Curtis 5
 0916 (Samantha Ryan); 0918 (Samantha Ryan); 0920 (Dr. Samantha Ryan); 0923 (Samantha Ryan); 0924 (Samantha Ryan)

Samantha Cutaran 1
 1401 (Waiter)

Ryan Cutrona 1
 0713 (Ray Beringer)

Jill Czarnowski 6
 0601 (Girl Geek); 0623 (MTAC Technician); 1321 (Guest Star); 1411 (NCIS Tech Ottlesley); 1504 (NCIS Tech Ottlesley); 1604 (NCIS Tech Susan Ottlesley)

Vito D'Ambrosio 2
 1801 (Jonny Zucado); 1802 (Jonny Zucado)

John D'Aquino 1
 1221 (Witness Being Interviewed)

Tina D'Marco 1
 2103 (Parisian Woman)

Emiliano Diez 1
 1501 (Jefe)

Cameron Daddo 1
 0807 (Dan Mayfield)

Noshir Dalal 1
 1914 (Doctor Tom Masuda)

Alan Dale 16
 0100 (NCIS Director Tom Morrow); 0101 (NCIS Director Tom Morrow); 0103 (NCIS Director Tom Morrow); 0109 (NCIS Director Tom Morrow); 0115 (NCIS Director Tom Morrow); 0116 (NCIS Director Tom Morrow); 0223 (NCIS Director Tom Morrow); 0301 (NCIS Director Tom Morrow); 0302 (NCIS Director Tom Morrow); 1020 (Homeland Senior Division Chief Tom Morrow); 1021 (Homeland Senior Division Chief Tom Morrow); 1022 (Homeland Senior Division Chief Tom Morrow); 1024 (Homeland Senior Division Chief Tom Morrow); 1101 (Homeland Senior Division Chief Tom Morrow); 1216 (Tom Morrow); 1321 (Guest Star)

Kenzie Dalton 1
 1714 (Colleen Kennedy)

Nancy Daly 1
 2104 (Claire Raider)

Sam Daly 1
 1619 (Virginia St. PD Officer Dale Moseby)

Tony Daly 1
 0515 (Marine Capt. John Rankin)

Bertila Damas 1
 1706 (Master Chief Petty Officer Renee Quichera)

Merle Dandridge 1
 0103 (Marcy Carruthers)

Gregg Daniel 1
 0818 (Parking Enforcement Officer Riggs)

LeBron Daniel 1
 1703 (Prisoner)

Abe Daniels 1
 1108 (Marine Private Daniel Cliff)

Spencer Daniels 1
 0709 (Brett Murphy)

Tiffany Daniels 1
 1416 (Navy Lt. Cmdr. Renée Turner)

Eli Danker 1
 0401 (Mossad Officer Michael Bashan)

Tori Danner 1
 2213 (Blood Donation Nurse)

Tavis Danz 1
 0621 (Marine PFC Marco Riggs)

Dani Dare 1
 0921 (Young Jason)

Eva La Dare 1
 1110 (Clown / Myster Woman)

Christopher Darga 1
 0517 (Skip Harris)

Kwabena Darkwah 1
 0704 (First Mate Bahir Numas)

Patch Darragh 1
 0811 (Tom Adams)

Josh Daugherty 1
 0209 (Devon Kane)

Lucy Davenport 1
 1018 (Maria)

Brett Davern 1
 1005 (Krist Taylor)

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Jason David..... 1	Rick Deats..... 1
1404 (Brock Gomer)	1210 (Navy Admiral John McGee)
Lolita Davidovich..... 1	Blue Deckert..... 1
1104 (Catherine Tavier)	0205 (Federal Marshal)
Amaris Davidson..... 1	Scott Deckert..... 1
1605 (Olivia)	1719 (Bobby)
John Roderick Davidson..... 1	Aubrey Deeker..... 1
0617 (Uniformed Cop #2)	0916 (Former Navy Commander Brian Mitchell)
Timothy Davis-Reed..... 1	J. Claude Deering..... 8
1513 (Edison Rawls)	0907 (Curtis Hubley); 0918 (Curtis Hubley); 1424
Alexander Davis..... 1	(Curtis Hubley); 1916 (Curtis Hubley); 2101
1503 (Landon Pottorf)	(Curtis Hubley); 2106 (Curtis Hubley); 2107
Allie Davis..... 1	(Curtis Hubley); 2204 (Curtis Hubley)
1901 (Sandy)	Tom Degnan..... 1
Brandon Davis..... 1	1508 (Lonnie Davis)
0102 (Jimmy)	Diane Delano..... 1
Don S. Davis..... 1	0416 (Dee Dee Chesney)
0210 (MTAC Control Officer)	Marieh Delfino..... 1
Josie Davis..... 1	0215 (Judy Moore)
0123 (Marta)	Howard Dell..... 1
Kyle Davis..... 1	0111 (Gym Manager)
1008 (John 'Diesel' Stevens)	Marie Dellegrazie..... 1
Lucy Davis..... 1	0220 (Ashley Simmons)
1305 (Dr. Janice Brown)	Pancho Demmings..... 16
Regi Davis..... 1	0101 (Gerald Jackson); 0102 (Gerald Jackson); 0103
1201 (Commander David Smith)	(Gerald Jackson); 0106 (Gerald Jackson); 0107
Tanner Davis..... 1	(Gerald Jackson); 0108 (Gerald Jackson); 0109
2216 (Joey)	(Gerald Jackson); 0110 (Gerald Jackson); 0111
Wendy Davis..... 1	(Gerald Jackson); 0113 (Gerald Jackson); 0114
1312 (Navy Captain Kensington Bloom)	(Gerald Jackson); 0115 (Gerald Jackson); 0116
Pam Dawber..... 7	(Gerald Jackson); 0117 (Gerald Jackson); 0301
1811 (Marcie Warren); 1812 (Marcie Williams); 1815	(Gerald Jackson); 0302 (Gerald Jackson)
(Marcie Warren); 1816 (Marcie Warren); 1901	Brian Demonbreun..... 1
(Marcie Warren); 1902 (Marcie Warren); 1904	1215 (Doctor)
(Marcie Warren)	Michael Dempsey..... 1
Bill Dawes..... 1	0208 (Coach Morgan)
2014 (Clayton Wills)	Danielle Demski..... 1
Adria Dawn..... 2	1620 (ZNN Newscaster)
0320 (NCIS Tech); 0512 (Sandra Frasier)	Chance Denman..... 1
Trent Dawson..... 1	1611 (Best Man)
1209 (Norman Dopps / Mike Beers)	Desi Dennis-Dylan..... 1
Monica Day..... 1	1715 (Sloane Jackston)
1711 (Gloria)	Bonnie Dennison..... 1
Patrick W. Day..... 1	0902 (Lindsey)
1609 (Phil Iverson)	Catherine Dent..... 2
Oren Dayan..... 2	0808 (Former NCIS Special Agent Whitney Sharp);
0808 (Karif Yasin); 0809 (Karif Yasin)	0809 (Former NCIS Special Agent Whitney Sharp)
Damon Dayoub..... 4	Jeff Denton..... 1
1021 (Adam Eshel); 1101 (Adam Eshel); 1102 (Adam	1015 (Marine C.O. Captain Jonah Ellis)
Eshel); 1701 (Adam Eshel)	Jeremy Denzlinger..... 2
Marcus DeAnda..... 1	1712 (NCHP Colonel Bill Timmons); 1714 (NCHP
2218 (Mark Davis)	Colonel Bill Timmons)
Matt DeCaro..... 1	Naz Deravian..... 1
0220 (Chief Daryl Bello)	0613 (Mosuma Daoub)
Gianni DeCenzo..... 1	Robb Derringer..... 1
1920 (Owen)	1002 (Jon Phelps)
E. Ambriz DeColosio..... 1	Mark Derwin..... 1
1706 (Ricky McCoy)	0412 (Marine Major Bradley Raines)
Tim DeKay..... 1	Jimmy Deshler..... 1
0603 (Senator Patrick Kiley)	1119 (Teenager)
Yvonne DeLarosa..... 1	Dan Desmond..... 1
0104 (Clerk)	0805 (Grumpy Neighbour)
Nikki DeLoach..... 1	Amanda Detmer..... 1
1207 (Army Lieutenant Colonel Maya Leland)	1813 (Charlotte Bodizinski)
David DeLuise..... 1	Zoey Deutch..... 1
1703 (Michael Franklin)	0817 (Lauren)
John DeMita..... 1	Will Deutsch..... 1
1314 (Navy Admiral Jorge Morales)	0915 (Smaller Guy)
William DeVry..... 1	William Devane..... 1
1112 (Nay Lieutenant Commander Stone)	0802 (Nicolas Mason)

Seamus Dever.....6	Jeffrey Doornbos.....1
0403 (Graham Thomas); 2201 (Inspector General Gabriel LaRoche); 2209 (Inspector General Gabriel LaRoche); 2217 (Inspector General Gabriel LaRoche); 2219 (Deputy Director Gabriel LaRoche); 2220 (Deputy Director Gabriel LaRoche)	0723 (Marshall Tomko)
Sade Devine.....1	Chad Doreck.....1
1801 (Jasmine Tyler)	0113 (Leo)
Dayna Devon.....1	Jhon Doria.....1
0120 (Attractive Girl)	0622 (Stephano Kass)
Marty Dew.....1	Homie Doroodian.....1
2003 (Daniel Vega)	0103 (Seth Shakir)
Daniel DiMaggio.....1	Omar J. Dorsey.....1
1919 (Noah Patrick Henry Richter)	1102 (Vernon Dale)
David Diaan.....1	Chastity Dotson.....1
0905 (Farid Bawali)	1121 (Former Navy Lieutenant Monica King)
Keith Diamond.....1	Chris Dougherty.....1
0102 (Sgt. Gregory Nutt)	1209 (Airport Police Officer Lou Sandlock)
Eddie Diaz.....1	D.C. Douglas.....1
0106 (Petty Officer Gomer)	1118 (Tom Speakman)
Izzy Diaz.....1	Nike Doukas.....1
1422 (Nelson Ast)	1716 (Marie Stanhope)
Johnny Rey Diaz.....1	Curt Doussett.....1
1407 (Victor Medina)	0205 (Policeman Randall)
Zoey Diaz.....1	Joshua Dov.....1
1104 (Amira)	1718 (Portland Douglas)
Julie Dickens.....1	Gerald Downey.....1
0602 (Console Operator)	0101 (Navy Cmdr. Ray Trapp)
Alberto De Diego.....1	J. Downing.....1
1504 (Marine First Lieutenant Ethan Wynn)	1009 (Avis Boyle)
Taye Diggs.....1	Peter Downing.....1
1318 (Gunnery Sergeant Aaron Davis)	1106 (Captain)
Susan Diol.....2	Jason Downs.....1
0406 (Dr. Leslie Burke); 2012 (Doris Sawyer)	1813 (Rodd Renfro)
Tiffany Dion.....1	Matthew Downs.....1
2004 (Eye-Roll Girl)	2109 (Bill Norian)
Rachel Dipillo.....1	Judith Drake.....1
1212 (Chelsea)	1013 (Delores)
Heidi Dippold.....1	Michael Drayer.....1
0114 (Laura Seeger)	1420 (Carlo Hackett)
Mark Dippolito.....1	Josh Drennen.....1
1512 (Sleazy Guy)	0902 (Curtis Beane)
Katherine Disque.....1	Mim Drew.....1
1409 (Mary Barrett)	0621 (Marie)
Ben Turner Dixon.....1	Lisa Dring.....1
1802 (Mike Franks)	1607 (Telemarketer #2)
Dar Dixon.....1	Maureen Driscoll.....1
0103 (Captain Tom Bradstone)	2214 (Mrs. Darlene Applebaum)
Tasha Dixon.....1	Archie Drury.....1
0218 (Gina Shepard)	0118 (Rod Spain)
Alex Dodd.....1	Fred Dryer.....1
0116 (Qassam)	1605 (Marine Master Sergeant Thomas Fletcher)
Ransford Doherty.....1	Tiffany DuPont.....1
1617 (Petty Officer Second Class Zachary Harper)	0811 (Kimberly Nolan)
John Doman.....1	Conor Dubin.....1
0212 (Police Lt. Cheney)	0214 (Jeremy Pryor)
Chad E. Donella.....1	Conor Michael Dubin.....1
0303 (John Briggs)	0214 (Jeremy Pryor)
Carl Donelson.....1	Adriana Ducassi.....1
1706 (Edgar Ramirez)	2019 (Reyna Vargas)
Jaleesa Donna.....1	Charles Duckworth.....1
1807 (Carmen)	0318 (Joe Bennes)
Dedan Donovan.....1	Olivia Taylor Dudley.....1
1521 (Jax Wesley)	0813 (Jancey Gilroy)
Elisa Donovan.....2	Susan Duerden.....1
0405 (Rebecca Kemp); 2109 (Carol)	1311 (Lorraine Mallard)
Trevor Donovan.....1	Patrick Duffy.....2
1504 (Navy Commander Thomas Buckner)	1712 (Ret. Lieutenant Commander Jack Briggs); 1714 (Retired Navy Lieutenant Commander Jack Briggs)
Ryan Doom.....2	Sam Duffy.....1
1310 (George Bishop); 1408 (George Bishop)	2201 (Elmo Miller)
	William Duffy.....1
	1324 (Head of Security Harris Cobb)

Shaun Duke 1
 0419 (Azid Abu Selom)

Christopher Dukas 1
 2203 (Phil)

Ashley Dulaney 1
 1903 (Rebecca)

Alastair Duncan 2
 1203 (Peter Velo); 2104 (Ron Davenport)

Christopher B. Duncan 1
 1217 (CIA Officer Dale Harris)

Jennifer Dundas 1
 0219 (Lynn Simons)

Christine Dunford 1
 1812 (Jeri Fleckman)

Emily Dunham 1
 1023 (Guest Star)

Pamela Dunlap 1
 1004 (Mom)

Michael Dunn 1
 1703 (Lenny Dunstrop)

Robin Dunne 1
 0503 (Army Lt. Joseph Marsden)

Nicole Duport 1
 1024 (Emily McBride)

Charles Durning 1
 0207 (Ernie Yost)

Vincent Duvall 1
 1319 (Holt)

Michael Duvert Jr. 1
 0805 (Navy Commander Walter Daniels)

Mark Casimir Dyniewicz 1
 1501 (Zachary Brooks)

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Michael Eaddy 1
 1013 (Ricki's Father)

Willie Earl Jr. 1
 2214 (Elvin Gates)

David Earnest 1
 0406 (Marine Sgt. Erik Niles)

Margaret Easley 1
 0502 (Sara Nelson)

Cody Easterbrook 1
 2211 (NCIS Agent Ramiro)

Steve Eastin 1
 0722 (Frank Smith)

Kyle Eastman 1
 2002 (Stafford Meeks)

Rodney Eastman 1
 1108 (Wendell Kaiser)

Brett Easton 1
 1407 (Carl Dixon)

Meredith Eaton-Gilden 3
 0710 (Carol Wilson); 0907 (Carol Wilson); 1111 (Carol Wilson)

Brando Eaton 1
 0710 (Patrick Ellis)

Meredith Eaton 3
 1413 (Carol Wilson); 1913 (Carol Wilson); 2212 (Cara Wilson)

Elise Eberle 1
 2007 (Arlene Wilkes)

Steven Eckholdt 1
 0222 (Navy Cmdr. Dr. Brad Pitt)

Edward Edwards 1
 1220 (Older Man)

Sarah Edwards 1
 0815 (Nurse Samantha)

Stacy Edwards 1
 0208 (Commander Janice Byers)

Michael Edwin 1
 0917 (TSA Officer Perkins)

Zac Efron 1
 0313 (Danny)

Joe Egender 1
 0504 (Robert Graves)

Gretchen Egoft 1
 0512 (Det. Andrea Sparr)

Joseph Eid 1
 0623 (Jumah)

David Eigenberg 1
 0609 (Ted Bankston)

Helen Eigenberg 1
 0313 (Lt. Cmdr. Amanda Wilkerson)

Saidah Arrika Ekulona 1
 1317 (911 Dispatcher)

Jeff Elam 1
 1812 (Lead detective)

Aline Elasmr 1
 2012 (Annie Hankamer)

Ariana Elavia 1
 1808 (Yazmin)

Peter Elbling 1
 1203 (Gentleman / Samuel Colpepper)

Judyann Elder 1
 0402 (Marny Mathers)

Steven Elder 1
 0418 (Nick Taylor)

Brian Elerding 1
 1415 (Phil Kurjak)

Tess Elliot 1
 1613 (Morgan Burke)

Brennan Elliott 1
 0806 (Martin Stillwell)

David James Elliott 1
 0100 (Cmdr. Harmon Rabb Jr.)

Chris Ellis 2
 0105 (Gunnery Sergeant); 0205 (Gunnery Sgt. John Deluca)

Devale Ellis 1
 1706 (Dante Brown)

Jay Ellis 1
 0902 (Marine PFC Thomas "Tommy" Hill)

Kiko Ellsworth 1
 0216 (Willie Taylor)

Jamie Elman 1
 0804 (Realtor)

Sara A. Emami 1
 1808 (Darya)

Josh Gordon Emerson 1
 1107 (Aaron Connolly)

Gideon Emery 1
 1109 (Rudolph Stalin)

Julie Ann Emery 1
 1112 (Erin Pace)

Marika Engelhardt 1
 2005 (Elisabeth Wenders)

Corri English 1
 0415 (Lisa Delgado)

Sergio Enrique 1
 1208 (Marine)

Michael Ensign 1
 1204 (Doctor Ishmael Havana)

Allyssa Amelia Entz 1
 1411 (Lexie Miller)

Van Epperson 1
 1004 (Pop)

Stephanie Erb 1
 1212 (Rachel Nasry)

Kaj-Erik Eriksen 1
 0220 (Frank Smith)

Hayley Erin 1
 1404 (Kasey Powers)

Mike Erwin 2
 0424 (Devon Watkins); 1916 (Sam Radner)

Stephanie Escajeda 1
 0722 (Natalia)

Arlen Escarpeta 1
 1212 (Former Army Specialist Randall White)

Presciliana Esparolini 1
 1215 (Deputy)

Michael Esparza 1
 0319 (Marine Lance Corporal Jose Silva)

Tiffany Espensen 1
 0609 (Amanda)

Al Espinosa 1
 0110 (Tom Verne)

Pablo Espinosa 1
 1415 (Arena Security Guard)

Mark D. Espinoza 1
 0211 (Sheriff Lester)

Patrick St. Esprit 1
 0617 (Navy Commander Weidman)

Cody Esquivel 1
 1815 (NCIS REACT Special Agent Benji Vargas)

Cody Estes 1
 0118 (Kevin Curtin)

Kim Estes 1
 1012 (Minister)

Henri Esteve 1
 1421 (Johnny Diggs)

Aja Evans 1
 1116 (Taylor)

Randy Evans 1
 0721 (Ambulance Driver)

Liisa Evastina 2
 0622 (Young Russian Woman); 0623 (Young Russian Woman)

Tom Everett 1
 1120 (CIA Head of Intelligence Kirkwood Zaysen)

Nick Eversman 1
 0815 (Judd Stern)

Rob Evors 1
 1114 (Navy Hull Technician Chief David Harketti)

Shahine Ezell 1
 1719 (Lenny)

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Patrick Fabian 1
 0510 (Ray Vincent)

David Fabrizio 1
 0407 (Marine Col. Frederick Cooper)

Carson Fagerbakke 1
 2104 (Tanya Ellsworth)

Holley Fain 1
 1111 (Audrey Daly)

Jon Falkow 1
 0805 (Deeter Johanson)

Mike Falkow 1
 1402 (Jim Bruno)

Phillip Fallon 1
 1214 (Young Travis Phelps)

Hedyeh Falsafi 1
 1808 (Yazmin's Mom)

Richard Fancy 1
 1406 (Leonard Weiss)

Stephanie Fantauzzi 1
 1219 (Lolita Cortes)

Nikka Far 1
 1104 (Elina)

Nasser Faris 2
 1011 (Arash Kazmi); 1012 (Arash Kazmi)

Melissa Farman 1
 0819 (Alexis Ross)

Mike Farrell 2
 1621 (Judge Miles Deakin); 1622 (Judge Miles Deakin)

Patrick Faucette 1
 0922 (Security Guard)

Kent Faulcon 1
 0204 (Cmdr. Reynolds)

Walter Fauntleroy 1
 1316 (Navy Petty Officer First Class Lamar Finn)

Marco Favela 1
 1810 (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Carlos Garcia)

Andy Favreau 2
 1213 (Navy Lieutenant Eric Kutzler); 2103 (CIA Agent)

Nat Faxon 1
 0306 (Carter Finch)

Oded Fehr 3
 1012 (Mossad Deputy Director Ilan Bodnar); 1021 (Ilan Bodnar); 1022 (Ilan Bodnar)

Manoel Felciano 1
 1120 (CIA Case Officer Jim Brisco)

Alex Feldman 1
 1812 (Retired Marine Sergeant Thomas Baird)

Yan Feldman 1
 0712 (Walid Abbas)

Ariel Felix 1
 0323 (Alon ATU)

Michael Felix 1
 1405 (Gary Falco)

Sherilyn Fenn 1
 0110 (Jane Doe / Suzzanne McNeil)

Lesley Fera 1
 2207 (Dr. Wendy Lythcott)

Alex Fernandez 2
 0908 (Joseph Flores); 0909 (Joseph Flores)

Anthony L. Fernandez 1
 1807 (Luis Carter)

Adam Ferrara 2
 1809 (Sammy Craig); 2110 (Sammy Craig)

DawnMarie Ferrara 1
 1606 (Trucker #1)

Christina Ferraro 1
 1423 (Navy Chief Mary Choi)

Louis Ferreira 2
 0913 (Metro Detective Nick Burris); 2103 (Harlan Atwood)

Lou Ferrigno Jr. 1
 1208 (Dave Lancellotti)

Essam Ferris 1
 2217 (Yann)

James Ferris 1
 1617 (Lieutenant Commander Gregory Pullman)

Chelsea Field 1
 0315 (Jocelyn Wayne)

Aleksandar Filimonovic 1
 1415 (Armed Bodyguard)

Chuck Filipov 1
 1908 (Roy Smith)

John Finn 3
 0908 (Marine Commandant Charles T. Ellison); 0909 (Marine Commandant Charles T. Ellison); 1418 (Ret. General Charles T. Ellison)

Billy Finnigan 1
 0607 (Joey Vittorio)

Mackenzie Fingers 1
 2110 (Mother)

Harold Nieves Fisch 1
 2103 (Alexander Renard)

Alexa Fischer	1	Karole Foreman	1
1008 (Navy Commander Jennifer Wade)		1610 (Lydia Miles)	
Patrick Fischler	1	Marc Forget	1
0515 (George Stenner)		2103 (GIGN Captain Laugier)	
David Dayan Fisher	14	Andre Forrest	1
0410 (Trent Kort); 0411 (Trent Kort); 0414 (Trent Kort); 0421 (Trent Kort); 0423 (Trent Kort); 0424 (Trent Kort); 0501 (Trent Kort); 0514 (Trent Kort); 0613 (Trent Kort); 0620 (Trent Kort); 0823 (Trent Kort); 0824 (Trent Kort); 1323 (Trent Kort); 1324 (Trent Kort)		1909 (Petty Officer Dickerson)	
Ian Fisher	1	Andrea Forrest	1
2005 (Sergei Umarov)		1909 (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Scott Dickerson)	
Jack Fisher	6	Harrison Forsyth	1
1705 (Phineas); 1707 (Phineas); 1709 (Phineas); 1710 (Phineas); 1711 (Phineas); 1814 (Phineas)		0710 (Fisher Blake)	
Chrissie Fit	1	David Carey Foster	1
2203 (Mary Evans)		1311 (Nicholas Mallard(II))	
Benjamin Fitch	1	V.J. Foster	1
0703 (Mechanic)		0404 (Arkady Kobach)	
Mark Fite	1	Franco Fox	1
1617 (Walter Miller)		1802 (Henchman)	
Brian Fitzpatrick	1	Kirk Fox	1
0307 (Willis Hirst)		1606 (Rod Carmale)	
Tom Fitzpatrick	1	Sean Ryan Fox	1
1107 (Walter Beck)		0912 (Dave)	
Randy Flagler	1	Tim Fox	1
0323 (Gibbs' C.O)		1815 (Navy Petty Officer Second Class Toby Withers)	
Markus Flanagan	1	Emily Foxler	1
0619 (Navy Commander Mike Taffet)		0616 (Desk Clark)	
Chris Flanders	1	Mike Foy	1
1209 (Self-Important Pete / Joseph McBride)		1121 (Eddie Patch)	
Erin Flannery	1	Tyler Francavilla	1
1702 (Mother)		1709 (Dustin Vanderschmitt)	
Shelby Flannery	1	Elizabeth Frances	1
2107 (Lindsey Wexler)		2201 (Special Agent Jodie Moreno)	
Sara Fletcher	1	Don Franklin	3
1520 (Louise Cabrisio)		0309 (FBI Agent Ron Sacks); 0401 (FBI Agent Ron Sacks); 0410 (FBI Agent Ron Sacks)	
Dave Florek	1	Roshawn Franklin	1
1901 (Virgil McKeever)		0506 (Crew Chief Rogers)	
Michael Flores	1	Beth Fraser	1
1201 (Thug)		2003 (Reporter #1)	
Matthew Florida	1	Jonathan Fraser	1
0813 (Kyle Severin)		0320 (Secret Service Officer Jack Lyon)	
Ethan Flower	1	Sheila Frazier	4
1617 (Fire Chief Alfonso Romero)		0113 (Female Reporter); 0401 (ZNN Reporter Debra Green); 0519 (ZNN Reporter Debra Green); 0603 (ZNN Reporter Debra Green)	
Jonathan T. Floyd	1	Sheila E. Frazier	1
0106 (PO2 Gil Niles)		0123 (ZNN Reporter Debra Green)	
Robert Floyd	1	Cassidy Freeman	1
0120 (Police Officer)		1312 (Eva Azarova)	
Susan Floyd	1	Clark Freeman	1
0603 (Lynn Tripp Kiley)		1517 (Bill Lester)	
Steven Flynn	1	Griffin Freeman	1
2211 (Roman Sobchek)		1615 (P.O. Eric Brown)	
Barrett Foa	1	Heath Freeman	1
0622 (Tech Operator Eric Beal)		0108 (Benjamin Frank)	
Brandon Fobbs	1	McKinley Freeman	1
0905 (Coast Guard Petty Officer Third Class Ben Cooper)		0705 (Marine Sergeant Ross Barnes)	
Nina Foch	2	Nolan Freeman	1
0213 (Mrs. Vanessa Mallard); 0320 (Mrs. Victoria Mallard)		1701 (Willie)	
Christopher Foley	1	Bruce French	1
0723 (Navy Ensign Philip Bosch)		0315 (Floyd Vernon)	
Jennifer Crystal Foley	1	Colby French	1
0920 (CIA Agent Constance Mazney)		1009 (Viggo Kiln/ Drunk Guy)	
Shang Forbes	1	Toni French	1
0216 (DJ)		1224 (Iraqi Civilian)	
Courtney Ford	1	Bryan Friday	1
0723 (Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Kaylen Burrows)		0901 (Navy Captain Felix Wright)	
		Andrew Friedman	1
		1105 (George)	
		Jeff Friedman	1
		1705 (Clark)	

Michael Marc Friedman 1
 1221 (Gunnery Sgt. Joseph Wilkes)

Stephen Friedrich 1
 1911 (Sid)

Amber Friendly 1
 2006 (Eden Greyson)

Frank Fritz 1
 1517 (Himself)

Alex Frost 1
 0317 (Jerry)

Kelly Frye 1
 1306 (Navy Lt. Kara Gifford)

Yorke Fryer 1
 1624 (Guest Star)

Isait De La Fuente 1
 1919 (Navy Petty Officer First Class Lucas Moniz)

Kate Fuglei 1
 0710 (Delores Bromstead)

Joseph Fuhr 1
 1015 (Marine Private First Class David Holland)

Stephen Full 1
 1614 (Mister Lewis)

Amanda Fuller 1
 0206 (Jennifer Shields)

Andra Fuller 1
 0720 (Navy Petty Officer Scott Roebuck)

Matt Funke 1
 0221 (Seaman Justin Dobbs)

Matthew Furfaro 1
 1802 (Young Jonny Zucado)

Mira Furlan 1
 0617 (Dina Risi)

Amadeo Fusca 1
 2013 (Gun Smuggler)

Joe Fusco 1
 2104 (Mr. Dawson / Hostage)

Ashlee Fuss 1
 1022 (Teenage Girl)

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Carlos Gómez 1
 2202 (Admiral Carlos Mendoza)

John Gabriel 1
 1302 (DEA Special Agent Luis 'Mitch' Mitchell)

Miguel A. Gaetan 1
 0103 (Carlos)

Steven M. Gagnon 1
 0624 (CIA Director Roger Kirkwood)

Max Gail 1
 0606 (Sam Loomis)

Courtney Gains 1
 0402 (Gary Silverstin)

Jeff Galfer 1
 1113 (CIA Case Officer Victor Hodge)

Eileen Galindo 1
 1506 (Evelyn Gomez)

Chad Gall 1
 1004 (Navy Lieutenant)

Mary Gallagher 1
 1404 (Betty Baxter)

Megan Gallagher 4
 1617 (Under Secretary of the Navy Jennifer Leo);
 1712 (Under Secretary of the Navy Jennifer
 Leo); 1714 (Under Secretary of the Navy Jen-
 nifer Leo); 1905 (Under Secretary of the Navy
 Jennifer Leo)

Gina Gallego 1
 1401 (Judge Monica Fernandez)

Mo Gallini 1
 0421 (Andre Jones)

Carla Gallo 1
 0611 (Melissa Wheeler Fox)

Tom Gallop 1
 0907 (Victor Sterling)

Gichi Gamba 1
 2220 (Bodyguard)

Justice Gamble 1
 1524 (King)

Makabe Ganey 1
 1306 (Jackson Edward)

Chris Gann 2
 1712 (Captain Henry Nikolai); 1714 (Navy Captain
 Henry Nikolai)

Peter Gannon 1
 0607 (Bartender)

Robert Gant 1
 1016 (Mike Dunkel)

Leif Gantvoort 1
 1719 (Max Devendorf)

J. Teddy Garces 1
 1620 (Omar Lewis)

Victoria Garcia-Kelleher 1
 2219 (NCIS Accountant Barbara)

Hector A Garcia 1
 0615 (Mickey Diaz)

Hugo Garcia 1
 1711 (Ernie)

Jesse Garcia 1
 0615 (Marine Private First Class Tomas Tamayo)

Jessica Gardner 4
 1601 (Olivia Kahn); 1921 (Olivia Kahn); 2005 (Olivia
 Kahn); 2202 (Olivia Kahn)

Sharon Gardner 2
 1603 (Physical Therapist Ava); 2218 (Liberty Staffing
 Manager)

Ken Garito 1
 2210 (Leslie Walker)

Lee Garlington 1
 0213 (Mary Hanlan)

Val Garrahan 1
 1915 (Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Danna Calley)

Jeremy Garrett 1
 0203 (Marine Capt. Patrick Barnett)

Jordan Garrett 1
 0914 (Stephen Rose)

LaMonica Garrett 2
 0908 (Marine Captain Craig Quincy); 0909 (Marine
 Captain Craig Quincy)

Spenser Garrett 1
 0202 (Commander Spenser)

Mariela Garriga 1
 1918 (Maria Diaz)

Grant Garrison 1
 0212 (P.O. Wilson)

Lane Garrison 1
 1218 (Marine Gunnery Sergeant Holt Perkins)

Chris Gartin 1
 1307 (Jason Tupperman)

Christine Garver 1
 1313 (Tiffany Leonne)

Oscar Gary 1
 1917 (Ret. Lt. Commander Thomas Miller)

Treisa Gary 1
 1412 (Hannah)

Jessica Garza 2
 1222 (Layna); 1223 (Layna)

Michael Garza 2
 2022 (Reymundo De Leon); 2101 (Reymundo De
 Leon)

Michael Gaston 1
 0113 (Maj. Dougherty)

Stevens Gaston..... 1	Marla Gibbs..... 1
0702 (Young Jeff Ross)	1606 (Miss Brown)
Kathleen Gati..... 1	Nigel Gibbs..... 1
0519 (Natasha Lenkov)	0922 (Admiral Theodore Tully)
Jennifer Gatti..... 1	Ross Gibby..... 1
0116 (Negotiator Arkin)	0122 (Petty Officer Vengal)
Ava Gaudet..... 1	Brandon Gibson..... 1
0816 (Lisa Bock)	1112 (Hal Beem)
David Gautreaux..... 1	Lily Gibson..... 1
1202 (Richard Colford)	1621 (Clarissa)
Janina Gavankar..... 1	Todd Giebenhain..... 1
0612 (Angela Lopez)	1502 (Leo)
Jenna Gavigan..... 1	Rick Gifford..... 1
0710 (Lara)	2021 (State Dept. Special Agent Smith)
Gill Gayle..... 1	Chris Payne Gilbert..... 1
1220 (Waylon)	0317 (Wesley Rowan)
Jackie Geary..... 3	Michael Gilden..... 2
0703 (NCIS Agent Susan Grady); 0720 (NCIS Agent Susan Grady); 1104 (NCIS Agent Susan Grady)	0408 (Marty Pearson); 0410 (Marty Pearson)
Ellen Geer..... 1	Peter Giles..... 1
1703 (Esther Daniels)	0411 (Torsten Engler)
Christian Gehring..... 1	Johnny Ray Gill..... 1
2208 (Lieutenant Mason Winslow)	1421 (Royce Layton)
Linda Gehringer..... 1	Clare Gillies..... 1
1216 (Michele Stark)	2009 (Christine)
Edward Gelhaus..... 1	Daniel Gillies..... 1
1815 (NCIS REACT Special Agent Edward Madden)	0804 (Royal Marine Major Peter Malloy)
Craig Gellis..... 1	Bruno Gioiello..... 1
0506 (Civilian Crewman #1)	0106 (Cmdr. Stovic)
Cameron Gellman..... 1	Brett Gipson..... 1
2216 (Daniel Holloway)	1605 (Guard Sam)
Dylan Gelula..... 1	Dionne Gipson..... 4
1105 (Young Marie Markin)	1603 (Mallory); 1618 (Mallory); 1621 (Mallory); 1622 (Mallory)
Lena Georgas..... 1	Ben Giroux..... 1
1102 (Doctor Deena Bashan)	1320 (Tiny Tony)
Brian George..... 1	Sarai Givaty..... 2
0423 (Dr. Ameen Temani)	0808 (Mossad Officer Liat Tuvia); 0809 (Mossad Officer Liat Tuvia)
Jarvis George..... 2	Matthew Glave..... 1
0323 (Navy Lt. Morgan Tolliver); 0324 (Navy Lt. Morgan Tolliver)	1614 (Navy Commander John McGee)
Jarvis W. George..... 1	Jeremy Glazer..... 1
1918 (U.S. Deputy Marshal John Wright)	2020 (Douglas Pritchard)
Lou George..... 1	Kate Rene Gleason..... 1
1103 (Manager)	1711 (Jane)
Nick George..... 1	Mary Pat Gleason..... 1
2213 (Dr. James Donovan)	0205 (Nurse Wells)
George Gerdes..... 1	Richard Gleason..... 1
1311 (Field Marshal Rand)	0916 (Navy Reservist Dr. Robert Banks)
Jason Gerhardt..... 1	Rob Gleeson..... 1
1608 (Marine Colonel Jonah Park)	1202 (Nicholas Raymond Dunne)
Greg Germann..... 3	John Gloria..... 2
1012 (NCIS Deputy Director Jerome Craig); 1014 (NCIS Deputy Director Jerome Craig); 1015 (NCIS Deputy Director Jerome Craig)	1711 (George Kaydar); 1814 (George Kaydar)
Jared Gertner..... 1	Matthew Godbey..... 1
1905 (Roymand Beesbo)	2101 (Agent Brian Colfax)
John Getz..... 2	Dale Godboldo..... 1
0714 (Walter Kane); 2205 (Captain Thomas Butler)	1701 (Cy)
Shak Ghacha..... 1	Gareth Godfrey..... 1
1313 (Dominick Rubin)	1203 (Matt Burns)
Laura San Giacomo..... 11	Linsey Godfrey..... 1
1316 (Dr. Grace Confalone); 1318 (Dr. Grace Confalone); 1324 (Dr. Grace Confalone); 1522 (Dr. Grace Confalone); 1623 (Dr. Grace Confalone); 1705 (Dr. Grace Confalone); 1810 (Dr. Grace Confalone); 1917 (Dr. Grace Confalone); 1918 (Dr. Grace Confalone); 2003 (Dr. Grace Confalone); 2208 (Dr. Grace Confalone)	0318 (Stephanie Phillips)
Marcus Giamatti..... 1	Michael Goetz..... 1
0711 (Victor Tillman)	0120 (Bartender)
	Juliette Goglia..... 3
	2009 (Evelyn Shaw); 2021 (Evelyn Shaw); 2022 (Evelyn Shaw aka Viktoria Valkov)
	Jesse D. Goins..... 1
	0213 (Jeffrey Wilson)
	Iddo Goldberg..... 1
	1021 (Yaniv Bodnar)
	Michael Goldsmith..... 1
	1808 (Ben Mitchell)

Jonathan Goldstein (I)..... 1	Shalita Grant..... 1
0812 (Glenn Block)	1312 (Sonja Percy)
Emelia Golfieri..... 2	Elle Graper..... 2
1324 (Tali); 1711 (Tali)	1913 (Victoria Palmer); 2214 (Victoria Palmer)
Layla Golfieri..... 2	Rachel Grate..... 1
1324 (Tali); 1711 (Tali)	0711 (Forest Ranger Mina)
Carlos Gomez..... 1	Jason Gray-Stanford..... 1
0106 (Reyes)	0923 (Dr. Jay Berman)
Fidel Gomez..... 1	Bruce Gray..... 1
0409 (Jordan Block)	0111 (CIA Director Roper)
Nick Gomez..... 1	Marc Aden Gray..... 1
1305 (Nicky Jones)	0911 (Navy Captain Jake Marsden)
Rick Gonzalesz..... 1	Michael Graziadei..... 1
1106 (Lenny Machaca)	0121 (Chuck)
Adrian Gonzalez (II)..... 1	Will Green..... 1
1114 (Watchstander)	1213 (Mat Jebson)
Daniel Steven Gonzalez..... 2	H. Richard Greene..... 1
1519 (Rico Ruiz); 1520 (Raphael Ruiz)	0703 (Thomas Victor)
Francis Gonzalez..... 1	Paul Greene..... 1
1809 (Rich Reilly)	0616 (Renny Grant)
Lyduan Gonzalez..... 1	Brad Greenquist..... 1
2202 (Fernando Vega)	0714 (Dr. Damon Shore)
Tony Gonzalez..... 3	Melissa Greenspan..... 1
1202 (NCIS Special Agent Tony Francis); 1305 (NCIS Special Agent Tony Francis); 1406 (Special Agent Tony Francis)	1306 (Mother)
Julie Gonzalo..... 1	Stacie Greenwell..... 1
0102 (Sarah Schaefer)	1202 (Hartford County Sheriff Marge Fields)
Cameron Goodman..... 1	Rochelle Greenwood..... 1
0507 (Maddie Tyler)	0710 (Navy Ensign Cara Blake)
Christopher Goodman..... 1	Nico Greetham..... 1
1318 (NCIS Special Agent Michael West)	1621 (Tommy Larson)
Eli Goodman..... 1	Ian Gregory..... 1
0805 (Radio Host Adam Gator)	1604 (FAA Security Specialist Horace Barnes)
Randy J. Goodwin..... 2	Paul Gregory..... 1
0118 (Defense Lawyer); 1906 (Clark Anderson)	1702 (Senator McCormick)
Menik Gooneratne..... 1	Googy Gress..... 1
2006 (Diya Khatri)	0910 (Bartender)
Jeananne Goossen..... 3	Joel Gretschn..... 4
0908 (Marine Private Joan Matteson); 0909 (Marine Private Joan Matteson); 0914 (Marine Private Joan Matteson)	0106 (NCIS Special Agent Stan Burley); 0922 (NCIS Special Agent Stan Burley); 1019 (NCIS Special Agent Stan Burley); 1308 (NCIS Special Agent Stan Burley)
Eve Gordon..... 1	Reatha Grey..... 1
0902 (Amanda McCormick)	1709 (Marion)
Kathryn Gordon..... 1	Myles Grier..... 1
0122 (Young Pregnant Woman)	1302 (Startled Man)
Harry Van Gorkum..... 1	Cole Griffin..... 1
1310 (Alton Brinkman)	0120 (Marine Corporal Jackson)
Lev Gorn..... 4	Khamani Griffin..... 1
1201 (Russian Counselor Anton Pavlenko); 1204 (Russian Counselor Anton Pavlenko); 1215 (Russian Counselor Anton Pavlenko); 1312 (Russian Counselor Anton Pavlenko)	0618 (Jared Vance)
Alyson Gorske..... 1	Mark Griffin..... 1
2208 (Ashley Winslow)	0216 (Blue McGinty)
Naomi Grace..... 5	Tim Griffin..... 1
1513 (Kayla Vance); 1601 (Kayla Vance); 1603 (Kayla Vance); 1914 (Kayla Vance); 2005 (Kayla Vance)	0314 (Marine Sgt. Malcolm Porter)
Jessie Graff..... 1	Lt. Col. Douglas Griffith..... 1
1023 (Guest Star)	0207 (as himself)
Akuyoe Graham..... 1	Louise Griffiths..... 1
1308 (Guest Star)	0921 (Mary Gardocki)
Peter Graham..... 1	Jeff Griggs..... 1
1713 (Christopher Crane)	1409 (Peter Alden)
Javier Grajeda..... 1	Camryn Grimes..... 1
1001 (Dr. Kelly Whelan)	1705 (Marine Corporal Laney Alimonte)
David Grammer..... 1	Kareem J. Grimes..... 1
1621 (Stuart Crum)	1422 (Bushmeat Smuggler)
Andrea Grano..... 1	Scott Grimes..... 1
1404 (Navy Commander Eleadora Rey)	0822 (Detective Danny Price)
	Tina Grimm..... 1
	1320 (Christina)
	Burt Grinstead..... 1
	1121 (Navy Lieutenant Junior Grade William Greco)
	Chet Grissom..... 1
	1804 (Rupert Kittridge)

Brian Groh 1
 0606 (Billy Cole)

Leah Grosjean 1
 2011 (Navy Ensign Ashley Watts)

Brian Gross 1
 0513 (Petty Officer Colin Dixon)

Demetrius Grosse 2
 0508 (Atif Nukudna); 2209 (Lieutenant Merritt Hastings)

Kyle Grossmeyer 1
 1619 (Young Man)

Gary Grubbs 1
 0101 (Coroner Elmo Poke)

Brad Grunberg 1
 1409 (Big Ed)

Rueben Grundy 1
 1915 (Philadelphia P.D. Detective Dubrow)

Jason Grutter 1
 0304 (Camera Man)

Michael Guarnera 1
 0205 (Vic Gera)

Nicholas Guilak 1
 0123 (Bassam)

Bennet Guillory 1
 0207 (Henry)

Tim Guinee 1
 0617 (Bart Lemming)

Amy Gumenick 1
 1402 (Katrina Cooper)

Jacory Gums 1
 0419 (NCIS Agent Jim Nelson)

David Gunning 1
 1321 (Brad Darbenian)

Deepti Gupta 1
 1613 (Doctor Conrad)

Jeremy Guskin 1
 0212 (Roland Kesta)

Brent Gutierrez 1
 1706 (Kendall 'Trey' Quichera)

Carole Gutierrez 1
 1018 (Woman)

Christopher Guyton 1
 0811 (Bouncer)

Joe Guzaldo 1
 0717 (Pete Iger)

Jack Guzman 1
 0916 (Wade)

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James Landry Hébert 1
 2102 (Jonesy)

Martha Hackett 1
 0612 (Celia Roberts)

Kamel Haddad 1
 1811 (Yemeni Foreign Affairs Minister)

Molly Hagan 1
 0219 (Audrey Vetter)

Sarah Hagan 1
 1018 (Sandy)

Daniel Hagen 1
 0403 (Calvin Hopper)

Michael G. Hagerty 1
 0516 (Andy Hoffman)

Michael Hagiwara 1
 1622 (Scholarly Man 1)

Jacqueline Hahn 1
 0803 (Kathy Tolin)

Stacy Haiduk 1
 0112 (Melissa Dorn)

Alison Haislip 1
 1201 (Navy Lt. Commander Hannah Banks)

Jane Hajduk 1
 0111 (Attractive Woman)

Braxton Hale 1
 1915 (Colin)

Desiree Hall 1
 1116 (Jennifer Morrison)

Jennifer Hall 1
 0203 (Daphne Everett)

Rick Hall 1
 1411 (Larry Ambrose)

Shashawnee Hall 1
 0221 (Police Chief Walen)

Tre Hall 1
 1911 (Carl Hammond)

Brian Hallisay 1
 1512 (David Crocker)

Mido Hamada 1
 0712 (Prince Abdalla Ibn Alwaan)

Alexa Hamilton 2
 1524 (Sybil Rigg); 1601 (British Deputy Ambassador Sybil Rigg)

Graham Hamilton 2
 1507 (Gabriel Hicks); 1515 (Gabriel Hicks)

Kate Hamilton 3
 1619 (Faith Tolliver); 1708 (Faith Tolliver); 1718 (Faith Tolliver)

Melinda Page Hamilton 1
 0711 (Vanessa Tillman)

Travis Hammer 1
 1901 (Randall Sledge)

Heather Grace Hancock 1
 1623 (Drunk Woman)

Matthew Hancock 1
 1909 (Geoffrey Sullivan)

Linc Hand 1
 1117 (Navy Petty Officer First Class Damien Hunter)

Colin Hanks 3
 1023 (DOD IG Investigator Richard Parsons); 1024 (DOD IG Investigator Richard Parsons); 1101 (DOD IG Investigator Richard Parsons)

Roberta Hanlen 1
 1001 (Joann Dearing)

James Hanlon 1
 0921 (Baltimore Fire Captain James Marsh)

Sammi Hanratty 1
 1610 (Young Woman)

Tate Hanyok 1
 1209 (Lana Danzette)

Katie Happ 1
 1004 (Amy Stewart)

Melora Hardin 1
 0105 (Erin)

Terrence Hardy Jr. 1
 0518 (George)

Mark Harelik 1
 0320 (Ron Levinson)

Jeff Harlan 1
 1108 (Reverend Miller)

Wade Harlan 1
 0908 (Marine Cadence Leader)

Mark Harmon 1
 1308 (Leroy Jethro Gibbs)

Sean Harmon 4
 0908 (Young Leroy Jethro Gibbs); 0909 (Young Leroy Jethro Gibbs); 0914 (Young Leroy Jethro Gibbs); 1802 (Young Leroy Jethro Gibbs)

Marcy Harriell 1
 0423 (Nurse Carly Marcano)

Adam J. Harrington..... 1	Erinn Hayes..... 1
1618 (Coast Guard Commander Sam Hendrix)	2214 (Wendy)
Alexander Harris..... 1	Lorey Hayes..... 1
2013 (Museum Docent Sal)	1422 (Teta Gayflor)
Barbara Eve Harris..... 1	Reggie Hayes..... 1
1103 (FAA Director Stacy Bergin)	1211 (Mike Batowski)
Chelsea Harris..... 1	Jesse Head..... 1
1106 (Danielle Benton)	0206 (Lyle Chamber)
Cristi Harris..... 1	Pat Healy..... 1
0118 (Vicki Spain)	0213 (Jonathan Hanlan)
Danneel Harris..... 1	Chaunsi Heatley..... 1
0614 (Jessica Shore)	1615 (Sailor #1)
Hank Harris..... 1	Gina Hecht..... 1
1117 (Denny Johnson A.K.A. Nerdy Man)	1512 (Christine Newhall)
Jamie Harris..... 1	Bill Heck..... 1
1914 (Smitty Hastings)	0506 (Cory Mitas)
Jodi Harris..... 1	Nicolas Hedges..... 1
1316 (Catherine Taft)	1621 (80s Kid)
Marcus W. Harris..... 1	Erik Heger..... 1
0510 (Chris Jenkins)	2002 (Sam)
Steve Harris..... 1	Jesse Heiman..... 1
1214 (Coach Tanner)	0220 (Frederick Pippin)
Will Harris..... 2	Steven Helmkamp..... 1
1101 (Murray Hines); 1103 (Murray Hines)	1108 (Marine Staff Sergeant Justin Dunne)
Gregory Harrison..... 1	Even Helmuth..... 1
1306 (Ship's Captain)	0316 (EMT Jeff Beilsman)
Michelle Harrison..... 1	Adam Hendershott..... 1
0317 (Park Ranger Bobby Hendricks)	0121 (Josh)
Margo Harshman..... 18	Lynn A. Henderson..... 1
1101 (Delilah); 1105 (Delilah Fielding); 1112 (Delilah Fielding); 1113 (Delilah Fielding); 1115 (Delilah Fielding); 1120 (Delilah Fielding); 1218 (Delilah Fielding); 1306 (Delilah Fielding); 1317 (Delilah Fielding); 1404 (Delilah Fielding); 1423 (Delilah Fielding); 1614 (Delilah Fielding); 1804 (Delilah Fielding); 1805 (Delilah Fielding); 1907 (Delilah Fielding); 2009 (Delilah Fielding); 2109 (Delilah Fielding); 2217 (Delilah Fielding)	1022 (Guest Star)
Mariette Hartley..... 1	Marcus Henderson..... 1
0222 (Hanna Lowell)	1305 (Stu)
John Hartmann..... 1	Aric Hendrix..... 1
1614 (DOD IG Inspector Richard Sullivan)	2220 (FBI Agent Eric Ford / Carla's Thug)
Reese C. Hartwig..... 1	Aaron Hendry..... 1
0709 (Older Boy)	1314 (Bob Mugford)
Grant Harvey..... 1	Courtney Henggeler..... 1
1911 (Ian Maddox)	0702 (Scorpio Sinn)
Pat Harvey..... 1	Barry Shabaka Henley..... 1
1411 (ZNN Reporter)	1415 (Earl Goddard)
Boualem Hassaine..... 1	Carolyn Hennesy..... 1
1223 (Egyptian Hotel Guest)	2007 (Secretary of the Navy Tara Flynn)
Tamer Hassan..... 3	David Henrie..... 1
0807 (Agah Bayar); 0816 (Agah Bayar); 0917 (Agah Bayar)	0206 (Willy Shields)
Marem Hassler..... 2	Lance Henriksen..... 1
2005 (Lena Paulsen); 2202 (Lena Paulsen)	0617 (Sheriff Clay Boyd)
Georgia Hatzis..... 1	Deidrie Henry..... 1
1012 (Gavriela Adel)	0411 (Tracy Taylor)
Andrew Hawkes..... 2	Duane Henry..... 3
1306 (Detective Campbell); 1406 (Detective Campbell)	1323 (MI6 Officer Clayton Reeves); 1324 (MI6 Officer Clayton Reeves); 1501 (Clayton Reeves)
Brad Hawkins..... 1	Maggie Henry..... 1
0113 (Aaron Barnes)	0922 (Seaman Apprentice)
Courtney Hawkins..... 1	Sonita Henry..... 1
2212 (Sketchy Gal)	0701 (Captain Rebecca "Becky" Hastings USAF)
Holly Hawkins..... 1	John Hensley..... 3
1622 (Scholarly Woman 1)	1902 (Phil Hanover); 1903 (Phil Hanover); 1904 (Phil Hanover)
J.J. Hawkins..... 1	Garette Henson..... 1
1620 (DOD Cyber Engineer Taylor Southard)	0207 (Cpl. Ernie Yost)
David Haydn-Jones..... 1	Keenan Henson..... 1
0511 (Marine Capt. Jim Mills)	1102 (Henry Coldwell)
	Jeffrey Hephner..... 1
	0711 (Navy Commander Peter "Banshee" Sheridan)
	Eli Hernandez..... 2
	2013 (Master-at-Arms); 2212 (Daryl Thomas)
	Larry Herron..... 1
	0803 (Master Gunnery Sergeant Jason Kelly)
	Louis Herthum..... 1
	0902 (Ernest McCormick)

Katherine Herzer..... 1	Gabriel Hogan..... 3
0609 (Small girl)	1303 (Commander Pete Grady); 1307 (Commander Pete Grady); 1308 (Commander Pete Grady)
Sandra Hess..... 3	Meeghan Holaway..... 1
0411 (Regine Smidt); 0414 (Regine Smidt); 0423 (Regine Smidt)	1023 (Guest Star)
Jennifer Hetrick..... 1	Hal Holbrook..... 1
0511 (Dr. Donna Dunlap)	0402 (Mickey Stokes)
Chris Heuisler..... 1	Alexandra Holden..... 1
0204 (Navy Seaman Joe Wilkins)	1007 (Brooke Fenten)
Kimberly Hidalgo..... 1	Michael Holden..... 1
1611 (Maid of Honor)	0316 (Dr. Wayne Dobson)
Deb Hiatt..... 1	Peter Holden..... 1
1915 (Navy Chief Laura Ramirez)	0804 (Vector Control Worker)
Kristopher Higgins..... 1	Dierdre Holder..... 1
0710 (Dean)	0508 (Woman)
Lyndell Higgins..... 1	Pilar Holland..... 3
1524 (FAA Worker)	1401 (JAG Marine Lucia Campbell); 2022 (Lucia Campbell (voice)); 2101 (Lucia Campbell)
Torri Higginson..... 2	Adam Hollick..... 1
0504 (Dr. Jordan Hampton); 0613 (Dr. Jordan Hamp- ton)	1907 (Christopher Blaze)
Austin Highsmith..... 1	Ellen Hollman..... 2
1414 (Darlene Jones)	0316 (NCIS Special Agent Tina Larsen); 1218 (NCIS Special Agent Tina Larsen)
Dan Hildebrand..... 1	Gwen Holloway..... 1
1321 (Guest Star)	1804 (A.A. Chairperson)
Aaron Hill..... 1	Josh Holloway..... 1
1114 (Navy Seal Lieutenant William Blake)	0112 (Police Officer)
Anthony Hill..... 1	Lauren Holly..... 7
1208 (Navy Petty Officer Third Class John Blaney "JB" Hicks)	0301 (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard); 0302 (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard); 0306 (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard); 0307 (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard); 0308 (NCIS Director Jenny Shep- ard); 1210 (Former NCIS Director Jenny Shep- ard); 1223 (NCIS Director Jenny Shepard)
Jamie Hill..... 1	Jim Holmes..... 1
1017 (Chloe Chandler)	1008 (Edgar Hayes)
Kendra M. Hill..... 1	Scott Holroyd..... 1
2019 (Nurse #1)	0516 (Navy PO Kevin Massey)
Mieko Hillman..... 1	Joe Holt..... 1
0403 (Jennifer Murphy)	0915 (Navy Captain Jack Wallace)
Garrett Hines..... 1	Mette Holt..... 1
2209 (Marine Lance Corporal Samuel Cross)	1204 (Renata Atal)
Nichelle Hines..... 1	Tara Holt..... 1
1109 (NCIS Special Agent Norma Hench)	1603 (Sheba Nicholas)
Tommy Hinkley..... 1	Liz Holtan..... 1
0105 (Disbursing Officer)	1121 (Navy Ensign Holly Farrell)
Stacey Hinnen..... 1	Mark Holton..... 1
1014 (Delivery Driver)	0103 (Sergeant Linn)
Elizabeth Ho..... 1	Zane Holtz..... 5
0922 (NCIS Analyst Emma Park)	1019 (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Kevin Wyeth); 1811 (NCIS Special Agent Dale Sawyer); 1912 (NCIS Special Agent Dale Sawyer); 2012 (NCIS Special Agent Dale Sawyer); 2215 (NCIS Spe- cial Agent Dale Sawyer)
Edwin Hodge..... 1	Hugh Holub..... 1
1005 (Bodie)	0207 (Superintendent)
Joseph Hodge..... 1	Saba Homayoon..... 1
0100 (unknown)	0401 (Faatin Amal)
Kate Hodge..... 1	Neal Honda..... 1
0202 (Jane Melankovic)	2212 (Victor Chan)
Paul Hodge..... 1	Ryan Honey..... 1
1104 (U.N. Solider)	0708 (Colin Stone)
Stephanie Hodge..... 2	Blake Hood..... 1
0114 (Sheriff Charlene Dupray); 2010 (Greta Ford)	1208 (Bennett Jermaine)
Demetrius Hodges..... 1	Courtney Hope..... 1
1605 (Young Marine Lance Corporal Ray Jennings)	1215 (Petty Officer Second Class Judy Sloan)
Lauren Hodges..... 1	Leslie Hope..... 5
0918 (Amanda Baylor)	1102 (SecNav Sarah Porter); 1106 (Secretary of the Navy Sarah Porter); 1109 (Secretary of the Navy Sarah Porter); 1204 (SecNav Sarah Porter); 1315 (Secretary of the Navy Sarah Porter)
Rick Hoffman..... 1	
0515 (Kelvin Ridgeway)	
Jim Hoffmaster..... 1	
1003 (Administrator)	
Charlie Hofheimer..... 1	
0106 (PO1 Bobby Wilkes)	
David Hoflin..... 2	
1006 (Randall J. Kersey); 1007 (Randall J. Kersey)	
Isabella Hofmann..... 2	
0720 (Judge Evelyn Wallace); 2215 (Kate Reynolds)	

Neil Hopkins..... 1
 0209 (Jeremy Davison)

Madalyn Horcher..... 1
 1404 (Navy Seaman Jennifer Baxter)

Christine Horn..... 1
 1509 (Doctor Felicia Serena)

Timothy Hornor..... 1
 1713 (Ian)

Bobby Hosea..... 1
 0721 (Navy Captain Austin Sears)

Jaime Ramos Hosea..... 1
 0221 (Marine Lance Cpl.)

Mat Hostetler..... 1
 0107 (Mess Specialist)

Brian Howe..... 1
 0412 (Sherriff Tom Barrett)

Tracy Howe..... 1
 1617 (Culinary Specialist Brian Kale)

Brianne Howey..... 1
 0902 (High School Girl)

Jesse Howland..... 1
 2211 (Lenny)

Leonard Earl Howze..... 1
 0817 (Security Guard Wilson)

Kym Hoy..... 1
 0613 (Cheryl Young)

Ann Hu..... 1
 1524 (FAA Operations Supervisor Heather White)

Kelly Hu..... 1
 0707 (Lee Wuan Kai)

James Huang..... 1
 0117 (Petty Officer Wong)

Tina Huang..... 1
 2016 (Captain Boggs)

J.P. Hubbell..... 1
 0802 (Navy Commander Nick Mason Jr.)

Cooper Huckabee..... 1
 1621 (Kyle Larson)

Gary Hudson..... 1
 1717 (Detective John Fioscher)

Sarah Hudson..... 1
 0920 (Navy Commander Theresa Wade)

Justin Huen..... 1
 1911 (Security Guard Lenny)

Jon Huertas..... 1
 0605 (Jack Hale)

Brent Huff..... 1
 1106 (Rig Foreman)

Leslie-Anne Huff..... 1
 0808 (Hillary Lange)

Carly Hughes..... 1
 2104 (Vicky Meyer)

John Hughes..... 1
 0517 (Enis Watley Frank)

Tom R. Hughes..... 1
 0122 (Lt. Johnson)

Hector Hugo..... 1
 1301 (Navy Commander Lewis Dacey)

Leann Hunley..... 1
 0716 (Young Joann Fielding)

Eamon Hunt..... 1
 0104 (Chief Petty Officer Morris)

Alice Hunter..... 1
 1316 (Navy Petty Officer First Class Janet Shor)

Jackson Hurst..... 1
 0805 (Zach Nelson)

Adam Huss..... 1
 0505 (Navy Seal Lt. Michael Arnett)

Harry Hutchinson..... 1
 0117 (Alexandria Cop)

Jeffrey Hutchinson..... 1
 1110 (Mister Dale Wagner)

Rich Hutchman..... 1
 1702 (Deputy Andrews)

Mark Hutter..... 1
 0913 (U.S. Ambassador James Ealy)

Rif Hutton..... 2
 1608 (Marine General Phillip Braxton); 1905 (Marine General Phillip Braxton)

Brody Hutzler..... 1
 0718 (Navy Lieutenant Michael Jensen)

Andrew Hwang..... 1
 0601 (Nervous Asian Man)

Michael Hyatt..... 1
 0612 (Judy Williams)

Alex Hyde-White..... 1
 0717 (Dr. Adam Tallridge)

Jamie Gray Hyder..... 1
 1312 (Navy Petty Officer First Class Heidi Orr)

Miriam A. Hyman..... 1
 1609 (Lanny Peete)

Tyler Hynes..... 1
 0811 (Devin Lodge)

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Louis Iacoviello..... 1
 0607 (Curtis Rayner / James Meyers)

Brian Ibsen..... 1
 1202 (Bryce Tolson)

Phil Idrissi..... 2
 1711 (Big Lou); 1714 (Big Lou)

James Immekus..... 1
 2106 (Daniel Silcott)

Darri Ingolfsson..... 1
 1702 (Dwight Colton)

Dustin Ingram..... 1
 1514 (Ozzie Duncan)

Eiji Inoue..... 1
 0506 (Navy Lt. Cmdr. Satoshi Takada)

Austin Iredale..... 1
 1621 (Navy Petty Officer First Class Kyle Larson (Age30s))

Brandon Irvin..... 1
 1616 (Special Agent Suplisky)

Matthew Iseman..... 1
 0319 (DC Metro Officer Talbot)

Miki Ishikawa..... 1
 1916 (Molly Stoll)

Ravil Isyanov..... 1
 0404 (Nikolai Puchenko)

Gregory Itzin..... 3
 0101 (FBI Director); 0103 (FBI Director); 1716 (Spencer Downing)

Stan Ivar..... 2
 0808 (Former NCIS Special Agent Ben Robinson); 0809 (Former NCIS Special Agent Ben Robinson)

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LL Cool J..... 4
 0622 (Special Agent Sam Hanna); 0623 (Special Agent Sam Hanna); 2010 (Special Agent Sam Hanna); 2218 (Special Agent Sam Hanna)

Marc Jablon..... 1
 0602 (Navy Lieutenant Jonah Kaplan)

Jay Jablonski..... 1
 1424 (Navy Cdr. Peter Josephson)

Brick Jackson..... 1	Matt Jayson..... 1
1811 (Little Pinky)	1413 (Edgar Stump)
Connie Jackson..... 11	Roopashree Jeevaji..... 1
0914 (Elaine); 1107 (Elaine); 1108 (Elaine); 1317	1619 (Dr. Jeevaji)
(Elaine); 1412 (Elaine); 1616 (Elaine); 1622	Don Jeffcoat..... 1
(Elaine); 1719 (Elaine); 1811 (Elaine); 1812	0204 (Navy Seaman Tom Jennings)
(Elaine); 2019 (Elaine)	Ryan Jeffrey..... 1
Haran Jackson..... 1	0220 (Kyle Zolin Chase)
0718 (Marine Private Fricker)	Todd Jeffries..... 1
Harvey B. Jackson..... 1	1507 (Thomas Gardiner)
1609 (Pedestrian)	Tobias Jelinek..... 1
John M. Jackson..... 2	1412 (Bodie Whitman)
0100 (R. Adm. Albert Jethro Chegwiddden); 1024	Milauna Jemai..... 1
(Rear Admiral AJ Chegwiddden)	0821 (Emma Park)
Kym Jackson..... 1	Eddie Jemison..... 2
1422 (Phoebe Spitz)	0321 (Terry Spooner); 1522 (Terry Spooner)
Lazarus Jackson..... 1	Penny Johnson Jerald..... 2
1317 (Falls Church Police Officer)	0707 (Joanne Torrence); 0712 (State Department
Roy Jackson..... 1	Official Joanne Torrence)
0820 (Bartender)	Brian Jimenez..... 1
Cory Jacob..... 1	1524 (Anshiri)
1601 (NCIS Special Agent Rod Beecham)	Cherie Jimenez..... 1
Lenny Jacobson..... 1	1702 (Senator Ortega)
0906 (Security Guard)	Paul Johansson..... 1
Aaron Jaeger..... 1	1717 (Porter Brandt)
1018 (Marine Corporal David Ryan)	Andrew St. John..... 1
Nima Jafari..... 1	1118 (Navy Petty Officer Second Class Abraham
1808 (Tahir)	Lycek)
Debbie Jaffee..... 1	Christy St. John..... 1
0924 (Waitress)	2013 (Lieutenant Renee Harlan)
Nick Jaine..... 1	Gina St. John..... 2
0119 (Jason Patel)	0211 (Cindy Ames); 0605 (ZNN Reporter Cindy Ames)
Jennifer Jalene..... 1	Keston John..... 1
2109 (Marine Major Diane Vicks)	1314 (Mark Dominquez)
Carlin James..... 1	Marlon John..... 2
1524 (Navy Seaman Felix Pittorino)	0706 (PMC #2); 0714 (Guard)
Jean St. James..... 1	Travis Johns..... 1
2015 (Marilyn Davis)	1513 (Martin Curtis)
Nicholas James..... 1	Andre Johnson..... 1
0820 (Navy Seaman Derek Balfour)	1621 (Bailliff Colt McKinney)
Reginald James..... 1	Anne-Marie Johnson..... 2
0518 (LAPD Det. Monroe)	0507 (Marine Col. Stacey Radcliffe); 2020 (Senator
Rob James..... 1	Selena Grayson)
1905 (Guard)	Bart Johnson..... 1
Simon James..... 1	1303 (Dean Hudson)
1203 (Vendor)	Bryce Johnson (I)..... 2
Rane Jameson..... 1	0716 (Navy Lieutenant David Shankton); 1110 (Ed-
1209 (Pajama Hipster)	die Mackin)
Nick Jandl..... 1	Chas. Floyd Johnson..... 1
1414 (Michael Kettering)	0205 (AFIP Medical Examiner)
Mylan Janoplis..... 1	Chris Johnson..... 1
1617 (Master Chief P.O. Todd Orlando)	0117 (PO James Morgan)
Elias Janssen..... 1	DaJuan Johnson..... 1
2019 (Adam Vargas)	1802 (Edward Scott)
Antonio Jaramillo..... 1	Dio Johnson..... 1
1914 (Pedro Rodriguez)	1017 (Marine Lance Corporal Douglas Alexander)
Stephen Jared..... 1	Jackie Johnson..... 3
1523 (David)	1019 (ZNN Meteorologist Chelsea Mills); 1209 (Chelsea
Jody Jaress..... 1	Mills – ZNN Meteorologist); 1313 (ZNN Meteoro-
2015 (Leora)	logist Chelsea Mills)
Amanda Jaros..... 1	Jeffrey Johnson..... 1
1410 (Peg)	0821 (Navy Commander Nelson Tunney)
Chris Jarvis (II)..... 1	Jesse Johnson..... 1
0804 (British Royal Marine Engineer)	1408 (Robert Bishop)
Janiece Jary..... 1	Michelle Anne Johnson..... 1
0402 (Woman)	1120 (DOD Counterintelligence Supervisor Emma
Peter Jason..... 2	Fisher)
0621 (Marine Sergeant Major Robert King); 1522	Octavius J. Johnson..... 1
(SGM Robert King)	1220 (Gary)
Parker Jay..... 1	Rahvaunia L. Johnson..... 1
1903 (Doctor)	2012 (Fire Captain)

Shane Johnson..... 1
 0920 (CIA Agent Stephen Wheeler)

Wesley Jonathan..... 1
 0611 (Greg)

Asante Jones..... 2
 0101 (Detective Andy Kochifis); 0110 (Detective Andy Kochifis)

Ashley Jones..... 1
 1505 (Nancy Douglas)

Brian Jones..... 1
 0513 (Uniformed Guard)

Brian Michael Jones..... 1
 1401 (NCIS Probationary Agent Terry Mahler)

Burnadean Jones..... 1
 0304 (Sally Smith)

Calida Jones..... 1
 2108 (Resident Alicia Tankersley)

John Marshall Jones..... 1
 0119 (Detective Hanley)

Kamal Jones..... 1
 1323 (Paramedic)

Luke Jones..... 1
 1607 (Manny Barnes)

Matt Jones..... 6
 0910 (Probationary Agent Ned Dorneget); 0917 (Probationary Agent Ned Dorneget); 0923 (Probationary Agent Ned Dorneget); 1017 (Probationary Agent Ned Dorneget); 1222 (Agent Ned Dorneget); 1223 (Agent Ned Dorneget)

Matthew Jones..... 1
 1520 (Navy Commander Rick Odwalla)

Preston Jones..... 1
 1418 (Navy Petty Officer First Class David Collins)

Shaw Jones..... 1
 1401 (Navy Commander George Campbell)

Sterling Jones..... 1
 1018 (Marine Captain Dale Martens)

Stevie Lynn Jones..... 1
 2215 (Shayna Reynolds)

Tom Jay Jones..... 1
 0100 (unknown)

Lanny Joon..... 1
 1411 (Edward Jin Tao)

Shirley Jordan..... 1
 1801 (Mary Tyler)

Lorena Jorge..... 1
 1807 (Drea)

Amin Joseph..... 1
 0618 (Campbell)

Robert Joseph..... 1
 0122 (Lt. Commander Folsom)

Elena Jovis..... 1
 0110 (Blonde Chemist)

Demetrius Joyette..... 1
 1303 (Guest Star)

Theresa June-Tao..... 1
 1219 (Chrissy)

Desirée Mee Jung..... 1
 2002 (Dee Walters)

Eric Jungmann..... 1
 0601 (Andy Pringle)

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Tonja Kahlens..... 1
 0812 (Nina Craig)

Judy Kain..... 1
 1502 (Gladys Stone)

Tyler Kain..... 1
 0208 (Tiffany)

Adam Kaiz..... 1
 1607 (Telemarketer #1)

Alaina Kalanj..... 1
 0505 (Dana Arnett)

Anita Kalathara..... 1
 1008 (High School Kid 1)

Jamie Kaler..... 1
 1513 (Chris Bell)

Margarita Kallas..... 1
 1123 (Amanda's friend)

Connor Kalopsis..... 1
 1207 (Oscar)

Joseph Kamal..... 1
 0704 (Captain Kassib Yosef)

Catherine Kamei..... 1
 1316 (Nurse Ella)

Matthew Kaminsky..... 1
 0308 (Henry Spivey)

Melina Kanakaredes..... 1
 2210 (Eleni Kostakis)

Bo Kane..... 2
 1603 (North Carolina State Trooper Wm. Forman); 1604 (North Carolina State Trooper William Forman)

Aleksandra Kaniak..... 1
 0423 (Russian Nurse)

Lawrence Kao..... 1
 1809 (Pete Cannizaro)

John Kapelos..... 1
 1402 (Victor Castor)

Swati Kapila..... 1
 2106 (CEO Tamara Hamilton)

Ravi Kapoor..... 2
 1112 (Bashir Malik); 1113 (Bashir Malik)

Yorgos Karamihos..... 1
 1324 (Interpol officer Kohl)

Robin Karfo..... 1
 1601 (Zaiyema)

Wida Karim..... 1
 2017 (Mrs. Jamaah)

Dariush Kashani..... 1
 0613 (Ezmaray Daoub)

John Kassir..... 1
 1217 (Perry Swann)

Brenda Kate..... 1
 2011 (Sheila)

Naama Kates..... 1
 0606 (Rose Woodhouse)

Adam Kaufman..... 2
 0716 (Homicide Detective Philip McCadden); 0719 (Homicide Detective Philip McCadden)

Dominic Scott Kay..... 1
 0509 (Carson Taylor)

Selina Kaye..... 1
 1719 (Phyllis)

Steve Kazee..... 1
 0516 (Michael Locke)

Katie A. Keane..... 1
 0406 (Laurie Niles)

Kerrie Keane..... 1
 0721 (Maggie Reed)

Ele Keats..... 1
 1610 (Judy Shaw)

Morrison Keddie..... 1
 2022 (Boris Popov)

Darren Keefe..... 1
 0713 (Steven Baker)

Wesam Keesh..... 1
 0905 (Hakim Bawali)

Jack Kehler..... 1
 0204 (Middle-Aged Man)

David Keith..... 1	Anna Khaja..... 1
0201 (Navy Capt. Mike Watson)	1621 (Assistant District Attorney Eliza Hutchins)
Richard Keith..... 1	Gabeen Khan..... 1
0321 (Frank Dreyer)	1221 (Rasheed Naasir)
Peter Kelamis..... 1	Aleene Khoury..... 1
0921 (Bruce Johnson)	0515 (Tabina)
John Ahle Kellar..... 1	Elie Khoury..... 1
2213 (William / Fred Sammona)	0515 (Jameel)
Tim Kelleher..... 6	A Leslie Kies..... 1
0116 (Agent Daniel Snyder); 0118 (Agent Pacci);	1502 (Donna Coyne)
0119 (Agent Pacci); 0822 (NCIS Special Agent	Tom Kiesche..... 1
Chris Pacci); 0914 (NCIS Special Agent Chris	0405 (Bob Whitehead)
Pacci); 1223 (NCIS Special Agent Christopher	Rya Kihlstedt..... 1
Pacci)	0910 (Linda Idleton)
Victoria Kelleher..... 2	Martin Kildare..... 1
2103 (NCIS Accountant Barbara); 2205 (NCIS Ac-	2015 (Mr. Sharp)
countant Barbara)	Casey Cameron Killian..... 1
Mary Page Keller..... 1	2018 (Patient)
0206 (Lt. Cmdr. Miki Shields)	Kevin Kilner..... 1
Jason E. Kelley..... 1	1707 (Patrick Norian)
1303 (Master Sergeant Dylan)	Charles S. Kim..... 1
Sheila Kelley..... 1	0318 (SRT Sniper)
0924 (Victoria Dearing)	Eugene Kim..... 1
Kelly Sry..... 1	2212 (Captain Ed Fletcher)
1920 (Dr. Scott Long)	Jane Hae Kim..... 1
Leonard Kelly-Young..... 1	1705 (Connie)
1517 (George Keogh)	Brian Kimmet..... 1
Daniel Hugh Kelly..... 1	1509 (Hotel Security Official George Barbado)
1123 (Admiral Kendall)	Rachel Kimsey..... 1
James Martin Kelly..... 1	0513 (Petty Officer Erica Perelli)
0312 (Mookie Perkins)	Todd Kimsey..... 1
Rick Kelly..... 1	0203 (Police Capt. Grant)
0506 (Navy Captain)	Charles Tyler Kinder..... 1
Taryn Kelly..... 1	1614 (Young McGee)
2008 (Navy Lieutenant Sara Giles)	Benjamin King..... 1
Jonathan Keltz..... 1	0803 (Public Affairs Office Ron Sands)
2109 (Jackson Bannon)	Cleo King..... 1
Tom Kemp..... 1	0217 (Della Robinson)
0624 (Assistant Secretary of ICE Len Gregory)	David L. King..... 1
Dylan Kenn..... 1	1703 (Zullo Senior Vice President Lance Rama)
0923 (Freddie Fountain)	Ginifer King..... 1
Geoffrey Kennedy..... 1	1908 (Lexi Davis)
2211 (NCIS Agent #2)	Matthew Yang King..... 2
JoNell Kennedy..... 1	0814 (Min Ho Kwon); 2110 (Michael Chang)
1016 (Navy Commander Lisa Cleveland)	Yaani King..... 1
Ryan Kennedy..... 1	1218 (Leandra Perkins)
1306 (Navy Petty Officer Second Class Adam Mey-	Alex Kingston..... 1
ers)	1008 (Miranda Pennebaker)
Timothy-James Kennedy..... 1	Lloyd Kino..... 1
2019 (Skater Dude)	0207 (Hiroshi Yoshida)
Glenn Keogh..... 1	Christina Kirk..... 1
1405 (Thompson Daly)	2108 (Dr. Clara Logan)
Jerry Kernion..... 2	Malik Kirkwood..... 1
0512 (Scott Rowe); 2109 (Pastor Alan)	0306 (Skateboard Kid #2)
Ed Kerr..... 1	Andrew Kirsanov..... 1
1013 (Scott Cutwright)	0809 (The Russian)
James Austin Kerr..... 1	Jonathan Kite..... 2
1513 (Phillip)	1510 (Chet Goodman); 1511 (Chet Goodman)
Lucas Kerr..... 1	Scott Klace..... 1
1418 (Holden Baxter)	0416 (Dr. Timothy Hass)
Jonathan Kerrigan..... 1	Kristina Klebe..... 1
0721 (Rex Carhartt)	1414 (Navy Lieutenant Cheryl Dombrowski)
Mike Kersey..... 1	Samantha Klein..... 1
0606 (Janitor Harry Cooper)	0515 (Nurse)
VJ Kesh..... 1	Chaney Kley..... 1
2216 (Unhoused Man)	0102 (Corporal Paul Brinkman)
Ian Reed Kesler..... 1	Robert Knepper..... 1
0702 (Police Officer Howard Shelly)	1302 (Benson Long)
Anthony Keyvan..... 1	Aramis Knight..... 1
1224 (Elan Ghorbani)	0813 (Nick Miller)

Michael E. Knight 1
 1216 (Leland Spears)

Matt Knudsen 1
 1502 (Jensen Reed)

Patric Knutsson 1
 0705 ("Hear")

Jason Ko 1
 2105 (NCIS Special Agent James Chen)

Rich Ceraulo Ko 2
 1603 (North Carolina State Trooper Muncie Tyson);
 1604 (North Carolina State Trooper Muncie
 Tyson)

Neal Kodinsky 2
 1804 (Viktor); 1805 (Viktor)

Fred Koehler 1
 1023 (Simon Gravy)

Clark Koelsch 1
 0713 (Flight Attendant Stephan)

Stephanie Koenig 1
 1303 (Lauren Hudson)

Seana Kofoed 1
 1305 (CEO Virginia Wilson)

Anthony Konechny 1
 1803 (Simon Felcher)

Charley Koontz 1
 2212 (Max Hoffman)

Zoran Korach 1
 1204 (Metro Police Officer Verma)

Amir M. Korangy 1
 1713 (Professor Zahir Najjar)

Alla Korot 1
 0707 (Linda DeMarco)

Sima Kostov 1
 0423 (Darya Borov)

Johnny Kostrey 1
 1014 (Air Force Crew Chief)

Michael Kostroff 1
 2007 (Felix Lassiter)

Jonathan Kowalsky 1
 2003 (Nate Holt)

Lindsey Kraft 2
 1212 (Sarah Goode); 1223 (Sarah Goode)

Erin Krakow 1
 1424 (Elizabeth Dean)

Eric Allan Kramer 1
 0906 (Phillip Ekkerly)

Marsha Kramer 1
 1610 (Old Woman)

Stephanie Kramer 1
 1909 (Sandra Holden)

Gary Kraus 1
 0313 (Security Officer Chuck Parnell)

Jason Kravits 1
 1914 (Doctor Gordon Roth)

Casey Krehbiel 1
 2211 (Undercover Agent)

Mark Krenik 1
 1702 (Suicide Bomber 1)

Catherine Kresge 1
 1023 (Marine Lance Corporal Stella Brooks)

Alice Krige 1
 1203 (Maggie Clarke)

Alexandra Krosney 1
 0318 (Nadia Harcourt)

Steven Krueger 1
 1615 (Andrew Townsley)

Garrett Kruithof 1
 1119 (Maurice Drenault)

Michelle Krusiec 1
 0308 (Maya)

Daniella Kuhn 1
 0110 (Saleswomen)

Adam Kulbersh 1
 0917 (Alan Katzenbach)

Anil Kumar 2
 1222 (Adem Korkmaz); 1223 (Adem Korkmaz)

Grace Lynn Kung 1
 1908 (Doris Edwards)

Shishir Kurup 1
 1114 (Khalil Farooq)

Clyde Kusatsu 2
 0703 (Benjamin Franklin); 1410 (Mr. Rin)

Mimi Kuzyk 1
 0321 (Ginger Stevenson)

Alexandra Kyle 1
 1220 (Emma Vickers)

Jack Kyle 1
 0112 (Frank Roberts)

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Trisha LaFache 1
 1915 (Lola)

Skye LaFontaine 1
 1809 (Betty Rose)

Jonathan LaPaglia 3
 0511 (FBI Special Agent Brent Langer); 0601 (Spe-
 cial Agent Brent Langer); 0607 (Special Agent
 Brent Langer)

Adrian LaTourelle 1
 1115 (Benson Honeycutt)

Patrick Labyorteaux 5
 0100 (Lt. Bud J. Roberts Jr.); 0102 (Lt. Bud J.
 Roberts Jr.); 1401 (Bud Roberts Jr.); 1512 (JAG
 Navy Captain Bud Roberts Jr.); 2007 (Olev
 Kozlov)

Carlos Lacamara 1
 0217 (Joe Tabaraz)

Kate Lacey 1
 0602 (Navy Ensign Christina Solomon)

Vanessa Lachey 4
 1917 (NCIS Special Agent Jane Tennant); 2001 (NCIS
 Special Agent Jane Tennant); 2010 (NCIS Spe-
 cial Agent Jane Tennant); 2107 (Jane Ten-
 nant)

Paul Lacovara 1
 0401 (Mossad Security Officer)

John Lacy 1
 0215 (Park Ranger Kett)

Cheryl Ladd 1
 0906 (Mary Courtney)

Eric Ladin 1
 0107 (P.O. Thompson)

Mary Lafleur 1
 1208 (Samantha Boscarino)

Ana Maria Lagasca 1
 0616 (Maid)

Caroline Lagerfelt 1
 1410 (Mrs. Victoria Mallard)

Elizabeth Laidlaw 1
 1706 (Correction Officer Rita Brindle)

Don Lake 3
 1523 (Navy Captain Phillip Brooks); 1604 (Navy
 Captain Phillip Brooks); 1715 (Retired Cap-
 tain Phillip Brooks)

Christine Lakin 1
 0717 (Rachel Wells)

Chris Lamica 1
 1918 (Seller)

Colin Land 1
 1901 (NCIS Special Agent Brent Hollister)

Amy Landecker..... 1	Scott Lawrence..... 2
0818 (Dr. Ellen Gracey)	0814 (Navy Captain Thomas Lind); 2019 (DEA Agent Raymond Frank)
Andrew Lander..... 1	Anna Lee Lawson..... 1
1107 (Young Jackson Gibbs)	1321 (Sandra Billingsley)
Sal Landi..... 1	Anzu Lawson..... 1
0106 (Cmdr. Stovic)	1908 (Sonia Bell)
Joe Lando..... 1	Monica Lawson..... 3
0712 (Navy Lieutenant Commander Rob Clarke)	1113 (Nurse 1); 1216 (Nurse); 1411 (Nurse #1)
Briana Lane..... 1	Loren Lazerine..... 1
1521 (Diane Boyle)	0119 (Building Manager)
James Ellis Lane..... 1	Joshua LeBar..... 1
0620 (U.S. Marshal)	1402 (Adam Cooper)
Teddy Lane Jr..... 1	Casey Leach..... 1
1702 (Deputy Barney)	1719 (Danny Spagnolo)
Eric Lange..... 1	Harrison Leahy..... 1
0313 (William Lafferty)	1915 (Young Alden Parker)
Chloe Lanier..... 1	Damien Leake..... 1
1122 (Emma Carter)	1717 (Henry Bennett)
Jenya Lano..... 1	Gavin Leatherwood..... 1
0120 (Carol Powers)	1415 (Dezic's Son)
Liza Lapira..... 13	Brian Leckner..... 1
0401 (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee); 0402 (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee); 0405 (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee); 0408 (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee); 0409 (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee); 0410 (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee); 0415 (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee); 0416 (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee); 0424 (NCIS Special Agent Michelle Lee); 0601 (Special Agent Michelle Lee); 0607 (Special Agent Michelle Lee); 0608 (Special Agent Michelle Lee); 0609 (Special Agent Michelle Lee)	1020 (Ben)
Brandon Largent..... 1	Katie Leclerc..... 1
0316 (Corporal Kenneth Miller)	1713 (Marine Staff Sergeant Diana Murphy)
Danielle Larracuent..... 1	David S. Lee..... 1
1909 (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Maria Gonzalez)	0911 (Veli Tupolev)
Jeffrey Larson..... 1	John Edward Lee..... 1
1704 (Department of Army Security Guard Ian Nowitski)	0717 (Former Marine Sergeant Matthew Gontz)
Ray Laska..... 1	Johnny Jay Lee..... 1
0815 (Defense Minister Andor Gorgova)	2016 (Petty Officer Sheehan)
Matt Lasky..... 1	Ki Hong Lee..... 1
1613 (Robert Hill)	1115 (Chris Hoffman)
Josh Latzer..... 1	Melissa Lee..... 1
1406 (Olek Lazarenko)	0103 (Sarah Parker)
Maya Latzer..... 1	Mia Lee..... 1
0909 (Lala)	0516 (Newscaster)
Jim Lau..... 1	Nanrisa Lee..... 1
1301 (Vendor)	2219 (Inspector General Regina Ward)
John Laughlin..... 1	Reggie Lee..... 1
1505 (Navy Captain Alan Redding)	0512 (Jonathan Chow)
Dan Lauria..... 1	Sherri Parker Lee..... 1
1509 (Emergency Room Guard Morgan Cade)	1105 (Martha)
David de Lautour..... 1	Stephen Lee..... 1
0713 (Daniel Sturgis)	0508 (Chuck Bayliss)
Deanne Lauvin..... 1	William Gregory Lee..... 1
2014 (Rebecca Haswell)	0310 (Metro Police Sgt. Keith Archer)
John Lavelle..... 1	Beverly Leech..... 1
0819 (Derrick Archer)	1217 (Vice Admiral Janet Kleibor)
Konstantin Lavysh..... 1	Joanna Leeds..... 1
1201 (Yuri)	1516 (Molly Guinn)
Katrina Law..... 2	Scott Anthony Leet..... 1
1815 (NCIS REACT Special Agent Jessica Knight); 1816 (NCIS REACT Special Agent Jessica Knight)	0317 (Jason Edom)
Frederick Lawrence..... 1	Fredric Lehne..... 1
2020 (Officer at Kids' Event)	0119 (Captain Graves)
Hap Lawrence..... 1	Norman Lehnert..... 1
1711 (Lenny)	2004 (Greg Patrick Walsh)
Matthew Lawrence..... 1	Nikki Leigh..... 1
2205 (Danny Butler)	1311 (Woman)
	Anne Leighton..... 1
	1623 (Inga Petrov)
	Braeden Lemasters..... 1
	0619 (Noah Taffet)
	Stephanie Nicole Lemelin..... 1
	1120 (Melody Hanson)
	David Lengel..... 1
	1409 (Carlton Laymer)
	Philip Lenkowsky..... 1
	0512 (Squeegee Man)
	Kai Lennox..... 1
	0610 (Adam Parker)

Marcella Lentz-Pope 1	Tom Lind 1
0410 (Amy Bright)	0915 (Tom Ventura)
Patricia Lentz 1	Chad Lindberg 2
1008 (Ginny Daniels)	0822 (Joey Peanuts); 1601 (Joey Peanuts)
Kay Lenz 1	Blake Lindsley 1
0611 (Connie Quinn Wheeler)	1122 (Belinda Carter)
Patricia De Leon 1	Jon Lindstrom 1
1217 (Gloria Hernandez)	1106 (Perry Davidson)
Tanya Leon 1	Derek de Lint 1
1707 (Marinka Bazarov)	0110 (Dr. Stephen Bauer)
Larry Leong 1	David Lipper 1
2105 (Sailor #2)	0215 (Marine Sgt. Caine)
Ken Lerner 1	Annie Little 1
0321 (Albert Hencheck)	1809 (Meri Dade)
Sam Lerner 1	John Littlefield 1
0902 (Nathan Tobias)	0106 (Stovic's Aide)
Jessy Leros 1	Sam Littlefield 1
1415 (Ferdinand Pisco)	1612 (Oliver Sherry)
Sonya Leslie 1	Emily Liu 1
1709 (Nancy)	1809 (Trauma Surgeon)
Michael Lesly 1	Robyn Lively 1
0921 (Fireman #1)	0100 (NCIS Agent Viv Blackadder)
Loren Lester 1	Zack Lively 1
0923 (Dr. Edgar Cromwell)	0802 (Conrad Zuse)
Amy Letcher 1	Barry Livingston 1
1503 (Fiona)	0617 (Meek Looking Man)
Brian Letscher 1	John Livingston 1
0610 (Sam Bennett)	1116 (Will Pritchard)
Kenny Leu 1	Ariel Llinas 1
1301 (CIA Officer Kenny Young)	0724 (Federale #1)
Jean Claude Leuyer 1	Christopher Lloyd 1
2218 (Petrov)	1720 (Joseph Smith)
Georgia Leva 1	Lisa LoCicero 1
1804 (Lisa)	1707 (Elena Devol)
Elyse Levesque 1	Ming Lo 1
2005 (Frauke Biedermann)	0408 (Davey Chen)
Mandy Levin 1	Carol Locatell 1
2106 (Congresswoman Shirley Ives)	1413 (Renee Prewdome)
Samm Levine 2	Bruce Locke 1
0807 (NCIS Agent Cashier Fred Seymour); 0916 (NCIS Agent Cashier Fred Seymour)	1416 (Kai Chen)
Lauren Rose Lewis 1	Rob Locke 1
0605 (FBI Assistant)	1509 (Viktor Lopuchin)
Mary Margaret Lewis 1	Ryan Locke 2
1813 (Maude Simmons)	1011 (Roland James); 1012 (Roland Ames)
Sarah Lewis 1	Spencer Locke 1
0717 (Lab Technician)	0916 (Amber Banks)
Zach Lewis 1	Tembi Locke 1
0617 (NCIS Mailroom Clerk Roy)	1207 (Alice Kent Staley)
Donald Li 1	Lennie Loftin 1
1509 (Clerk)	1214 (Cantor)
Elizabeth Liang 2	Bellina Logan 1
1911 (NCIS REACT Agent Jones); 2211 (NCIS Spe- cial Agent Jones)	1719 (Commander Roberta Stock)
West Liang 1	Samantha Logan 1
1815 (Peter Kessler)	1318 (Riley Davis)
Ashley Liao 1	Karina Logue 1
1615 (Hayley)	0922 (Mrs. Johnson)
Joi Liaye 1	Karina Lombard 1
1917 (Nina Miller)	0920 (Retired Interpol Agent Monique Lisson)
Adam Lieberman 1	Louise Lombard 2
0323 (U.S. Customs Officer Cruz)	0622 (Special Agent Lara Macy); 0623 (Special Agent Lara Macy)
Tina Lifford 1	Jason London 1
0214 (Dr. Fox)	0719 (Dwight Kasdan)
Angela Lin 1	Devan Long 1
1813 (Asst US Attorney Sheila Addison)	1704 (Terry Kemper)
Tess Lina 2	Erick Lopez 1
0323 (Nurse Maria Baliad); 0324 (Nurse Maria Baliad)	1205 (Jaime Ribeiro)
Alyvia Alyn Lind 1	Luis Jose Lopez 1
1111 (Emma Daly)	1519 (Javier Martinez)
	Wayne Lopez 1
	1706 (Prison Sgt. Desmond Walters)

Josie Loren 1
 0819 (Jane)

Lela Loren 1
 0706 (NCIS Special Agent Isabella Cortez)

Allan Louis 3
 1024 (Captain Wayne); 1101 (Navy Captain Dominick Wayne); 1102 (Navy Captain Dominick Wayne)

David St. Louis 1
 0715 (Gerald Lucas)

Todd Louiso 2
 1307 (Lyle Waznicki); 1414 (Lyle Waznicki)

Tim Lounibos 1
 1613 (Detective Paul Atwood)

Geri-Nikole Love 2
 1804 (Paramedic); 1805 (Paramedic)

Matt Lowe 1
 1514 (Joey Barrett)

Todd Lowe 3
 0701 (NCIS Special Agent Chad Dunham); 0704 (NCIS Special Agent Chad Dunham); 0707 (NCIS Special Agent Chad Dunham)

Scott Lowell 1
 0817 (Terry Thomas)

Geoffrey Lower 1
 0305 (Navy Cmdr. Robert Morris)

Katie Lowes 1
 0422 (Bryn Landers)

Rebecca Lowman 1
 0802 (Navy Lieutenant Lisa Mason)

Michael Lowry 1
 0107 (Lt. Com. Akron)

Henri Lubatti 1
 1509 (Andre Yorka)

Shannon Lucio 1
 1317 (Amy Harrison)

Ken Luckey 1
 1513 (John Kendall)

Bryan Lugo 1
 1011 (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Bruce Smith)

Rob Luke 1
 0211 (P.A.)

Jesse Luken 1
 0909 (Corpsman)

Michelle Lukes 1
 2217 (Gemma Wood)

Andrew Lukich 1
 1121 (Navy Commander Louis Wexler)

Michelle Lukiman 1
 1624 (Paramedic)

Carl Lumbly 1
 0819 (Navy Rear Admiral Beau Hindley)

Dan Lundy 1
 0123 (Technician)

Jamie Luner 1
 0119 (Amanda Reed)

Billy Lush 1
 1302 (Fisher Hyland)

Aaron Lustig 1
 0718 (Dr. Victor Kalsa)

Erica Luttrell 1
 1420 (Allison Asher)

Rachel Luttrell 1
 0910 (Navy Lieutenant Commander Stephanie Mosner)

Patrick Luwis 1
 2009 (Mike)

Alexandra Lydon 1
 0417 (Natalie Dalton)

Diandra Lyle 2
 1304 (Detective K. Stradivarius); 1513 (Alexandria P.D. Karen Stradivarius)

Braden Lynch 1
 1402 (Neal Sherwood)

Eric C. Lynch 1
 2001 (Lieutenant Gary Shay)

Amy Lyndon 1
 0512 (Goldilocks)

Brooke Lyons 1
 2217 (Tammy LaRoche)

Elena Lyons 1
 0103 (Diane Fontaine)

Jennifer Lyons 1
 0117 (Zoey)

Trav Lyons 1
 1118 (Sheriff's Deputy Kyle Travers)

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 1223 (Matthew Rousseau); 1224 (Matthew Rousseau); 1301 (Matthew Rousseau)

Pezh Maan 1
 1814 (Hassan Sayegh)

Paul Mabon 1
 1307 (Lucas' Father)

Ray Mabus 1
 0709 (NCIS Agent)

Scott MacArthur 1
 1011 (Navy Petty Officer Second Class Luke Grismer)

Amanda MacDonald 1
 0221 (Norah Webb)

James MacDonald 1
 1609 (Navy Admiral Norton Padgett)

Jason MacDonald 1
 2011 (John Watts)

Scott MacDonald 1
 0121 (Militia Leader)

Laird MacIntosh 1
 0205 (Corporal Stinson)

Carter MacIntyre 1
 1503 (Benny Sitano)

Marguerite MacIntyre 1
 0111 (Commander Lauren Tyler)

Donald Sage MacKay 1
 0706 (Navy Commander Kerry Killmartin)

Sarah Jane MacKay 1
 1308 (Rose)

J.C. MacKenzie 1
 0421 (Mitchell Reese)

Peter MacKenzie 1
 0921 (Jack Murdoch)

Aaron MacPherson 1
 0710 (Marine First Sergeant Louis Tibbens)

Tammi Mac 1
 2110 (Janice)

Ben Maccabee 1
 1104 (Afghan Local Leader)

James Macdonald 1
 0102 (Capt. Faul)

Sterling Macer Jr. 2
 0209 (Marine Sgt. Chris Hegarty); 1212 (Homeland Assistant Director Chris Hegarty)

Vinicius Machado 2
 1006 (Sam Mathis); 1007 (Sam Mathis)

Melonie Mack 1
 0607 (Jenny Page)

Patrick Macmanus 1
 0111 (Seaman Apprentice Sparks)

Peter Macon 1
 1407 (ICE Agent)

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0714 (Marine Lance Corporal Roman Vega)	0201 (Hooded Man / Kyle Grayson)
Roma Maffia 1	Kyle Marasciulo 1
1103 (NCIS Special Agent Roma Maffia)	1420 (Logan Rollins)
David Magidoff 1	David Marciano 1
0802 (Michael Seelus)	0204 (Bartender)
Kasey Mahaffy 1	Hossein Mardani 1
1611 (Dr. Patton Hartgrave)	1701 (Mister Rogers)
Matthew Mahaney 1	Jordan Marder 1
0605 (FBI Agent Bruce Rivers)	0506 (Pirate #2)
Christopher Maher 2	Matthew Mardsen 1
0323 (Capt. Aris Mahir); 0324 (Capt. Aris Mahir)	0416 (Navy Lt. Roy Sanders)
Brian Maierhofer 1	Piter Marek 1
1507 (Lt. Edward O'Connell)	1005 (Vijay Chaya)
Robert Mailhouse 1	Stuart Margolin 1
1804 (Malcolm Lucas)	1119 (Felix Betts)
Rob Mainord 1	Harriet Margulies 2
1601 (Myron Holt)	0209 (Attractive Older Woman); 0402 (Older Woman)
Michael Maize 1	Dimiter D. Marinov 1
0101 (Security Guard)	0923 (Ghenna Kozlov)
Austin Majors 1	Brian Markinson 1
0319 (Jeremy Hodges)	0417 (Marine EOD Sgt. Dan Trask)
Kali Majors 1	Jeffrey Markle 1
0406 (Sarah Niles)	1919 (Jerry)
Paul Majors 1	Stefan Marks 1
0101 (NCIS Agent)	0822 (Navy Lieutenant Ian Floyd)
Ally Maki 1	Jeff Marlow 1
1305 (Marie Manna)	0509 (Survivalist Trainee #1)
Titus Makin Jr. 1	Andy Marques 1
1121 (Navy Ensign Thomas Burke)	2012 (Policeman)
Karl Makinen 1	Austin Noah Marques 1
0314 (Marine Staff Sgt. James Dawson)	0102 (Billy Fuentes)
Mouzam Makkar 2	Sean Marquette 1
1701 (Sahar); 1702 (Mira Sahar Azam)	1023 (Evan Lowry)
Wendy Makkena 4	William Marquez 1
0814 (Dr. Rachel Cranston); 0901 (Dr. Rachel Cranston);	0602 (Doctor Javier Delgado)
0916 (Dr. Rachel Cranston); 1113 (Dr. Rachel	Hans Marrero 2
Cranston)	1424 (R.A.C. Guard #1); 1519 (Daniel Lucas)
Allen Maldonado 1	John Marrott 1
1507 (Raymond Smith)	0111 (Master Chief PO Roo)
Valeria Maldonado 1	Chris Marroy 1
1513 (Rachel)	1524 (Pilot)
Lisa Maley 1	Chris Marrs 1
1612 (NCIS Probationary Agent Anna Ventura)	1205 (First Mate James Meyer)
Matt Malloy 1	Jason Marrs 1
0309 (George Pardo)	1616 (Joe)
Billy Malone 1	Jennifer Marsala 1
2103 (NCIS Mechanic Dominic)	1621 (Jennifer Larson)
Patrick Y. Malone 1	Hannah Marshall 1
1908 (Chuck Gorton)	1203 (Young Maggie)
Michael Malota 1	Jennifer Marshall 1
0816 (Billy Sullivan)	1704 (Marine Sergeant Francesca Rinaldi)
Eden Malyn 1	Krys Marshall 1
1905 (Lillian Beck)	1303 (Suzy)
Arienne Mandi 1	Skye P. Marshall 1
1516 (Emma Sweeney)	1521 (Sara Carter)
Costas Mandylor 2	Chris William Martin 1
1101 (Tomas Mendez); 1102 (Tomas Mendez)	0509 (Brian Matthews / Taylor)
Rio Mangini 1	Dan Martin 1
1908 (Ned)	0922 (Mail Carrier)
Jonathan Mangum 1	Kevin Michael Martin 1
0601 (Special Agent Daniel T. Keating)	0902 (High School Guy)
Rizwan Manji 1	Miles Quincy Martin 1
0222 (Dr. Pandey)	1705 (Concert Fan)
Sarah Manninen 1	Rudolf Martin 6
0805 (Hannah Gator)	0116 (Terrorist); 0123 (Ari); 0223 (Ari Haswari); 0302
Robert Ray Manning Jr. 1	(Ari Haswari); 0914 (Ari Haswari); 1201 (Ari
0219 (Officer Alex Taylor)	Haswari)

Sammi-Jack Martincak..... 1	Rob Mayes..... 1
1614 (Young Chloe Crane)	0916 (Former Marine 2nd Lieutenant Kyle Baxter)
A Martinez..... 1	Adam Mayfield..... 1
1219 (Tomàs Orlando)	1320 (Tall Tony)
J. Eddie Martinez..... 1	Sasha Mazime..... 1
2218 (Roger Davis)	0223 (Virginia State Police Officer)
James Martinez..... 1	Heather Mazur..... 1
0602 (Navy Lieutenant Eduardo Almeida)	1304 (Laura Strike-Depalma)
Tiago Martinez..... 1	Kathe Mazur..... 1
1812 (5-Year-Old Boy)	1219 (Navy Vice Admiral Dawn Tyson)
Vanessa Martinez..... 1	Minni Jo Mazzola..... 1
2101 (Marta De Leon)	1007 (Jessie Cantrell)
Eric Martsof..... 1	Allison McAtee..... 1
0607 (Paul Harris)	0915 (Spandaxia)
Jamie Martz..... 1	Bryce McBratnie..... 1
0315 (Petty Officer First Class Marc Hobie)	1715 (Chet)
Conner Marx..... 1	Charley Rowan McCain..... 1
1402 (Milo Torbush)	2005 (Heidi Umarov Paulsen)
Mercedes Mashn..... 1	David McCallum..... 1
0701 (Police Officer Heather Kincaid)	1403 (Donald Mallard)
Michael Masini..... 3	Ryan McCann..... 1
1508 (Alex McKenzie III); 1510 (Alex McKenzie III);	0717 (Former Marine 1st Lieutenant John Mayne
1511 (Alex McKenzie III)	/ Christian Wells)
Madison Mason..... 1	Merrick McCartha..... 1
0217 (Marine Lt. Colonel Bushnell)	1619 (Dr. Eugene Pierce)
Corinne Massiah..... 1	Bart McCarthy..... 1
1013 (Ricki Evans)	1207 (Retired Marine Master Sergeant George Hawkins)
Ryan Masson..... 1	Brendan McCarthy..... 1
2020 (Arthur Vernon)	1315 (Owen Dixon)
Nicholas Massouh..... 1	Casey McCarthy..... 1
1203 (Navy Chief Petty Officer Refet Ramadani)	0108 (Biker Chick)
Fay Masterson..... 2	Francis X. McCarthy..... 4
0906 (Angela Simms); 1106 (Paige Hebner)	1921 (Roman Parker); 2015 (Roman Parker); 2215
Mary Stuart Masterson..... 3	(Roman Parker); 2220 (Roman Parker)
1409 (Congresswoman Jenna Fleming); 1416 (Congresswoman Jenna Flemming); 1417 (Congresswoman Jenna Flemming)	Roderick McCarthy..... 1
Suleka Mathew..... 1	0708 (Dane Frazier)
0920 (Navy Commander Maria Castro)	Nikki McCauley..... 1
Mark Matkevich..... 1	1904 (Melanie Stafford)
0505 (Jake)	Victor McCay..... 1
April Matson..... 1	0111 (Ash)
0409 (Carolyn)	China Anne McClain..... 1
David Matthey..... 1	0618 (Delilah "Lily" Vance)
1122 (Goliath)	Kevin McClatchy..... 1
Dawn Matthews..... 1	0115 (Lt. David Cameron)
1720 (Dr. Alice Jelani)	Tom McCleister..... 1
Erin Matthews..... 1	0112 (Captain Brent Peters)
1920 (Deputy Attorney General Mara Reeves)	Reiley McClendon..... 1
Giles Matthey..... 1	1015 (Marine Private Brad Sykes)
1301 (Daniel Budd)	Shannon McClung..... 1
Dylan Mattina..... 1	0915 (Boltcutter)
1616 (Mysterious Pedestrian)	Kovar McClure..... 1
Brie Mattson..... 1	1113 (NIS Special Agent Duke Turner)
0610 (Popular Girl)	Edie McClurg..... 1
Sofia Mattsson..... 1	1209 (Mrs. Ruth Potts)
1022 (Jessica)	Tom McComas..... 1
Kim Matula..... 1	1710 (Gabriel Cross)
2101 (Agent Rose)	Kevin McCorkle..... 1
Abigail Mavity..... 1	0108 (Col. Dan McClafferty)
0512 (Jordyn Wright)	Sierra McCormick..... 1
Danny Max..... 2	2208 (Sally Clark)
1717 (News Reporter); 2202 (TV Reporter)	Matt McCoy..... 1
Robert Maxhimer..... 1	1320 (Senator Thomas Bransfield)
0717 (National Park Officer Will Elliott)	Bob McCracken..... 1
Sasha Maxime..... 1	0721 (Joshua Drewe)
0301 (Virginia State Police Officer)	Benmio McCrea..... 1
Skyler Maxon..... 1	2104 (Lawyer)
1424 (Navy PO1 Matthew Dean)	Constance L. McCrory..... 1
Jennifer May..... 1	0116 (Evidence Clerk)
1615 (Navy Chief #2)	Gerald McCullouch..... 1
	0101 (FBI Agent)

Christopher McDaniel 1	Allan McLeod 1
0610 (Petty Officer Greg Collins)	1903 (Ted)
Carolyn McDermott 1	Brooklyn McLinn 1
0619 (Zane's Mom)	0515 (Marine Sgt. Jim Gilroy)
Dean McDermott 1	Don McManus 1
0219 (Lt. Allan Witten)	0818 (Mark Stafford)
Rich McDonald 1	Michael McMillian 1
0608 (Naval Secretary Robert Deckard)	1404 (David Kemmons)
Robin McDonald 1	Derrick McMillon 1
1602 (Loni Braddish)	0513 (Lt. Scott Bowen)
Tristen McDonald 1	Doris E. McMillon 1
0809 (Nurse Davies)	0101 (News Anchor)
Nick McDow 1	Rocky McMurray 1
0613 (Javid)	1107 (Howard County P.D. Officer Ray Mitchell)
Gates McFadden 1	Sam McMurray 2
1504 (Constance Belmont)	0903 (John Westfal); 2207 (Harold Lamb)
Rebecca McFarland 1	Brian McNamara 1
0212 (Det. Rapp)	1619 (Noah Sykes)
Chris McGarry 2	Kate McNeil 1
1006 (Lieutenant Commander / Doctor Peter Sanger);	0114 (Commander Green)
1007 (Lieutenant Commander / Doctor Peter Sanger)	Julie McNiven 1
Mary Anne McGarry 1	1005 (Kim Taylor)
1409 (Fern Robbins)	Jamie McShane 1
Jack McGee 2	0810 (Samuel Hayes)
0214 (Det. Floyd); 1917 (Richard 'Rick' Jordan)	Michael McShane 1
Wes McGee 1	2003 (Dr. Matthew Heller)
1105 (Navy Petty Officer First Class Andrew Wells)	Graham McTavish 1
Bruce McGill 1	0506 (Aleksei)
1419 (Henry)	Matt McTighe 1
Michael Patrick McGill 1	0515 (Allan Hayes)
0423 (Joey Kelly)	Jonathan Medina 1
Devin McGinn 2	1413 (Navy Commander Ted Morgan)
1010 (Stewart Dorfman); 1313 (Stewart Dorfman)	Geoff Meed 1
Scott McGlynn 1	0113 (Corporal David Stenson)
1311 (Matt)	Arber Mehmeti 1
Sean McGowan 1	2218 (Interrogator)
0114 (Lieutenant Wallace)	Ajay Mehta 1
Michael McGrady 1	0411 (Parviz Najar)
1013 (Walter Dunn)	AJ Meijer 1
Melinda McGraw 6	1911 (Dutch Naga)
0907 (Diane Sterling); 1009 (Diane Sterling); 1110	Dove Meir 1
(Diane Sterling); 1211 (Diane Sterling); 1215	1021 (Amir Mantel)
(Diane Sterling); 1624 (Diane Stirling)	Henrietta Meire 1
Brent McGregor 1	1311 (Nurse)
1016 (Rodney Romano)	Joseph Melendez 1
Danica McKellar 1	1918 (Reymundo Diaz)
0214 (Erin Kendall)	Ron Melendez 1
Chris McKenna 1	0910 (Navy Lieutenant Gregory Dennis)
2103 (Eric Webb)	Themo Melikidze 2
Lindsey McKeon 1	2021 (Yuri Valkov); 2022 (Yuri Valkov)
1309 (Taylor Matthews)	Stephanie Mello 13
Gil McKinney 2	0303 (NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner); 0306 (NCIS Tech
0106 (Crewman); 2018 (Logan Donahue)	Cynthia Sumner); 0309 (Cynthia Sumner); 0310
TaiVon McKinney 1	(NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner); 0311 (NCIS Tech
1711 (TSA Agent Tammy Gantry)	Cynthia Sumner); 0316 (NCIS Tech Cynthia
Lauren McKnight 1	Sumner); 0318 (NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner);
2217 (Miss Sharpe aka Assassin)	0324 (NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner); 0402 (NCIS
Michael McLafferty 1	Tech Cynthia Sumner); 0405 (NCIS Tech Cyn-
0104 (Kyle)	thia Sumner); 0414 (NCIS Tech Cynthia Sum-
Madison McLaughlin 1	ner); 0423 (NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner); 0424
1008 (Rosie Martin)	(NCIS Tech Cynthia Sumner)
Kinsey McLean 1	Kathryn Melton 1
1514 (Navy Commander Sean Evans)	2011 (Cleaning Lady)
Stuart McLean 1	Miles Mendelsohn 1
1310 (Malcolm Turro)	1018 (Middle Eastern Boy 2)
Zoe McLellan 4	Eloy Mendez 1
0100 (PO Coates); 1118 (NCIS Special Agent Mered-	0615 (Chuy)
ith "Merri" Brody); 1119 (NCIS Special Agent	LeRome R. Mendheim 1
Meredith "Merri" Brody); 1312 (Special Agent	1416 (NCIS Special Agent Rome Derramado)
Meredith "Merri" Brody)	Mauricio Mendoza 1
	0318 (Rico Caldas)

Alex Meneses	1	Czarina Mireles	1
0120 (Waitress/ Vanessa)		2202 (Robyn Kael)	
Scott Menville	1	Elyse Mirto	1
1704 (Army Sergeant Donald 'Donny' Pretorius)		1303 (Guest Star)	
Ana Mercedes	1	Susan Misner	1
0615 (Glenda)		0717 (Leah Mayne)	
Aidan Merwarth	1	Nita Mistry	1
1905 (Uptown)		1914 (Doctor Angela Novak)	
Jim Meskimen	1	BJ Mitchell	1
1601 (Doctor Farrel Emerson)		1217 (Malcolm White)	
Delon de Metz	1	Carter Mitchell	1
1520 (Petty Officer Thomas Billings)		1709 (Virgil)	
Toby Meuli	1	E. Roger Mitchell	1
0807 (Driver)		0108 (M.P.)	
David Meunier	1	Kenneth Mitchell	1
2012 (Wade Cutler)		1206 (Nathan Curtis)	
Dina Meyer	2	Roman Mitichyan	2
0713 (Holly Snow); 0719 (Holly Snow)		1804 (Kidnapper); 1808 (Kidnapper)	
John Charles Meyer	1	Shanna Moakler	1
1408 (R. Ayers)		0718 (Missy Dawkins)	
Vera Miao	3	Ashton Moio	1
0722 (Pamela Cook); 0824 (Pamela Cook); 1321 (Pamela Cook)		0917 (Michael Reardon)	
Monnae Michael	1	Brandon Molale	1
1911 (Navy Commander Leandra Womack)		0413 (Army CID Special Agent Jack Reynolds)	
Stephanie Michels	1	Armando Molina	1
0315 (Sean Oliver)		0404 (Miguel Fernandez)	
Tracy Middendorf	1	Vasthy Mompont	1
0804 (Tara Bick)		1804 (Janique)	
Jack Mikesell	1	Shein Mompremier	1
1310 (Navy Lt. Alex Quinn)		2218 (Desiree Mason)	
Andy Milder	1	Cameron Monaghan	1
1211 (Gene Isaacson)		0818 (Nick Peyton)	
Scott Miles	1	David Monahan	2
0207 (Pvt. Bellows)		0107 (PO Drew); 0815 (Regional Security Officer Randy Stimson)	
Alano Miller	1	Michael Monasterio	1
1213 (Vince Armstrong)		2108 (Miguel Ortega)	
Andrew Elvis Miller	1	Michael Monks	2
2013 (Sam Novak)		0805 (Matt Lane); 2110 (Edgar)	
Billy Miller	1	Lawrence Monoson	1
2003 (Ezra Moretti)		0303 (Adam O'Neill)	
Blaine Miller	1	Yvette Monreal	1
1303 (Marine Private First Class Patrick Wigg)		1513 (Maya Guzman)	
Gabrielle Miller	1	Meredith Monroe	1
0718 (Andrea Mavrey)		0806 (April Ferris)	
J. Robin Miller	1	Sumalee Montano	2
0107 (Lt. Connors)		1424 (Nicole Taggart); 1501 (Nicole Taggart)	
Jake B. Miller	1	Felice Heather Monteith	1
2108 (Jim)		0621 (FBI Agent Samantha Morris)	
Larry Miller	2	Gino Montesinos	1
0911 (Ed Slater); 1616 (Ed Slater)		1508 (Viggo Siggurdson)	
Matt Miller	1	Anthony Montgomery	1
0617 (NCIS Agent Jack Patterson)		0607 (Marine Corporal George Linden)	
Siri Miller	1	Audrey Moore	1
1719 (Melissa Spagnolo)		1614 (Chloe Crane)	
Valarie Rae Miller	1	Christopher Michael Moore	1
0702 (NCIS Special Agent Bryn Fillmore)		0410 (Miles Larson)	
Donna Mills	1	Clark Moore	1
2203 (Wanda Prescott)		1918 (Virginia State Trooper Phil Collins)	
Kensie Mills	3	Jacob Moore	1
2110 (Lily / Little Girl); 2208 (Lily); 2215 (Lily / Little Girl)		0517 (Richie Rose Tyler)	
Noah Mills	1	Jonathan Patrick Moore	1
2010 (Special Agent Jesse Boone)		1103 (Kip Logan)	
Cazimir Milostan	1	Markice Moore	1
0703 (Officer)		2215 (Clean Up Crew)	
Mataeo Mingo	1	Spence Moore II	1
1307 (Lucas)		2107 (Jared Vance)	
Ariel Mirabal-Ramos	1	Zakk Moore	1
0602 (Ensign)		0113 (Potential Recruit)	
		Martin Morales	1
		0920 (Bellman)	

Elizabeth Morehead 1
 0104 (Medical Corpsman)

Ron Morehouse 1
 0818 (Parking Enforcement Officer Bixby)

Judith Moreland 1
 1607 (Carrie Lewis)

Rene L. Moreno 1
 0602 (Hector Cruz)

Doris Morgado 1
 1006 (Andrea Aldridge)

Gary Morgan 1
 0423 (Mario Vincetti)

Maury Morgan 1
 1514 (Virginia State Trooper Marsha Jones)

Scott Michael Morgan 1
 1215 (Deputy Reed)

Rebecca De Mornay 2
 2206 (Carla Marino); 2220 (Carla Marino)

Tosin Morohunfola 1
 1705 (Doctor Wayne Pershing)

Alex Morris 1
 0808 (Former NCIS Special Agent Kurt Nelson)

Grinnell Morris 1
 0115 (FBI Agent Carlson)

Phil Morris 1
 0313 (Navy Capt. Paul Martino)

Sarah Jane Morris 7
 0817 (Special Agent EJ Barrett); 0820 (Special Agent EJ Barrett); 0821 (Special Agent EJ Barrett); 0823 (Special Agent EJ Barrett); 0824 (Special Agent EJ Barrett); 0901 (Special Agent EJ Barrett); 0912 (NCIS Special Agent EJ Barrett)

Ben Morrison 3
 1012 (Young Eli David); 1021 (Young Eli David); 1101 (Young Eli David)

James Morrison 1
 0111 (CIA Assistant Director Jonathan Overmeier)

Glenn Morshower 1
 0107 (Cmdr. Robert Peters)

Donnabella Mortel 1
 1301 (Navy Corpsman)

Alex Mortensen 1
 2012 (Emmet)

Scott Mosenson 1
 1908 (Harry Day)

Senta Moses 1
 1123 (Katherine Atwood)

William R. Moses 2
 0103 (DEA Agent Kent Fuller); 1713 (Edison Geary)

Jamie Moss 1
 0107 (Seaman Apprentice)

Aaron Clifton Moten 1
 1119 (Forensic Scientist Wendell Hobbs)

Mary Matilyn Mouser 3
 0323 (Kelly Gibbs); 0402 (Kelly Gibbs); 0406 (Kelly Gibbs)

Marianne Muellerleile 1
 0621 (Hannah Dunstan)

Kiara Muhammad 5
 0919 (Kayla Vance); 1012 (Kayla Vance); 1015 (Kayla Vance); 1111 (Kayla Vance); 1202 (Kayla Vance)

Najee Muhammad 1
 1905 (Street)

Michael Muhney 1
 0100 (Major McBurney)

Oliver Muirhead 1
 0702 (Jay Danorth)

Javi Mulero 1
 1117 (Earl Grieve)

Lou Mulford 1
 1118 (Amy McLane)

Michelle Mulitz 1
 0610 (Carrie)

Chris Mulkey 1
 0602 (Navy Captain Richard Owens)

Kieran Mulrone 1
 0104 (Lt. Reynolds)

Patrick Mulvey 1
 1105 (Milo Rankoff)

Kendra Munger 1
 1903 (Nurse #2)

Lochlyn Munro 1
 0218 (Kevin Holt)

Tessa Munro 1
 0619 (Travis's Mom)

Tudor Munteanu 2
 1804 (Ivan); 1805 (Ivan)

Enrique Murciano 3
 0820 (Ray Cruz); 0824 (Ray Cruz); 0913 (Ray Cruz)

Bayardo De Murguia 1
 1401 (Franco Alvarez)

Peter Murnik 1
 1720 (Navy Four-Star Admiral Michael Caplinger)

Ben Murphy 1
 0107 (Capt. Veitch)

Jordan Murphy 1
 1810 (Naval Commander Ben Randall)

Sean Patrick Murphy 1
 1124 (Navy Captain Arnold Craig)

Cay Ryan Murray 1
 1919 (Teagan Fields)

Chad W. Murray 1
 0104 (Seaman Russell MacDonald)

Christopher Murray 1
 1311 (Joseph Mallard)

Jaime Murray 1
 0624 (ICE Agent Julia Foster-Yates)

Sean Murray 8
 0107 (Agent Tim McGee); 0111 (Agent Tim McGee); 0118 (Agent Tim McGee); 0119 (Agent Tim McGee); 0120 (Agent Tim McGee); 0121 (Agent Tim McGee); 0122 (Agent Tim McGee); 0123 (Agent Tim McGee)

Mike Muscat 1
 0519 (File Clerk)

Isaiah Mustafa 1
 0612 (Oliver Newcomb)

Louis Mustillo 1
 1802 (Emilio 'Freckles' Zucado)

Garikayi Mutambirwa 1
 0406 (Augie Breen)

Mya 1
 0216 (Jade King)

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Emmie Nagata 1
 1815 (NCIS REACT Special Agent Diana Ono)

Rob Nagle 1
 0922 (Wayne Usher)

Armen Nahapetian 1
 1718 (Allen)

Ravi Naidu 1
 1411 (Doctor)

Jonathan Nail 1
 0616 (Business Man)

Benita Krista Nall 1
 1913 (Amanda Wright)

Ivo Nandi 1
 0920 (Manny Varigan)

Vince Nappo.....	3	Special Agent Zoe Keates); 1220 (ATF Special Agent Zoé Keates)
1321 (Guest Star); 1323 (Jacob Scott); 1324 (Jacob Scott)		
Grace Narducci.....	1	Taylor Nichols..... 1
2003 (Nicole)		0902 (Hank Galvaston)
Russell Nauman.....	1	Niko Nicotera..... 1
1414 (Cameron Mann)		1610 (Albert Leary AKA Vicious)
Joshua Nazaroff.....	1	Shi Ne Nielson..... 1
2007 (Zero)		1313 (FBI Special Agent Daisy Milner)
Diane Neal.....	6	Benny Nieves..... 1
0718 (CGIS Special Agent Abigail Borin); 0811 (CGIS Special Agent Abigail Borin); 0905 (CGIS Special Agent Abigail Borin); 1004 (CGIS Special Agent Abigail Borin); 1106 (CGIS Special Agent Abigail Borin); 1205 (CGIS Special Agent Abigail Borin)		0103 (Frank Trujillo)
JT Neal.....	1	Joe Nieves..... 1
1608 (Dean)		1608 (Justin Kinneman)
Robert Neary.....	1	Craig Nigh..... 1
1305 (Travis Cook)		0424 (Melvin)
Cameron Douglas Neckers.....	1	Jen Nikolaisen..... 1
1524 (Hale)		1119 (Navy Petty Officer Carla Meade)
Bobby Neely.....	1	Barbara Niven..... 1
0206 (Roland Alan Moore)		0304 (Dr. Elaine Burns)
Tim Neff.....	1	Nick Niven..... 1
2206 (Goon 2)		0723 (Tyler Hammond)
Navid Negahban.....	1	Stephanie Niznik..... 1
0418 (Jimmy Shaloub)		0612 (Sharon Bellows)
Matthew Del Negro.....	1	David Will No..... 1
0116 (Balboa)		2105 (Philip Tan (aka Hayou Tan))
Olivia Negrón.....	1	Natalija Nogulich..... 1
2019 (Abuela)		1024 (Judge)
Eric Nelsen.....	1	Matt Nolan..... 1
1310 (Sean Quinn)		1610 (Paul Spencer)
Casey Nelson.....	1	Tania Nolan..... 1
0104 (Petty Officer Murray)		1618 (Civilian Employee Nena Easterling)
John Allen Nelson.....	1	Charles Noland..... 1
1114 (JSOC Vice Admiral Lloyd Manditsky)		0606 (Bob Simms)
Kirsten Nelson.....	1	Kate Norby..... 1
0916 (Beth Banks)		0416 (Diane Russio)
Corin Nemec.....	1	Brian Norris..... 1
0417 (Len Grady)		0610 (Lucas)
Eric Nenninger.....	1	Dean Norris..... 1
0602 (Navy Corpsman Taylor Henley)		0112 (Vestman)
Alex Nesic.....	1	Nolan North..... 1
0322 (Alex Rudd)		0404 (Officer Lou Giotti)
Matthew Ness.....	1	Dane Northcutt..... 1
0208 (Spenser)		0101 (Marine Major Kerry)
Alex Nevil.....	1	Rob Norton..... 1
1705 (Male Patient)		1124 (Young Jackson Gibbs)
Brooke Nevin.....	1	Aaron Norvell..... 1
0705 (Rachael Sparks)		0617 (Uniformed Cop #1)
George Newbern.....	1	Dohn Norwood..... 1
0805 (Arthur Haskell)		1208 (Fairfax County P.D. Sergeant Sherman T. Harper)
Bob Newhart.....	1	Paul Norwood..... 2
0812 (Dr. Walter Magnus)		0100 (unknown); 1709 (Jesse Gilford)
Jaime Ray Newman.....	2	Michael Nouri..... 6
0908 (Navy Lieutenant Commander Melanie Burke); 0909 (Navy Lieutenant Commander Melanie Burke)		0601 (Eli David); 0625 (Mossad Director Eli David); 0808 (Mossad Director Eli David); 0809 (Mossad Director Eli David); 1001 (Mossad Director Eli David); 1011 (Mossad Director Eli David)
Robert Newman.....	2	Jessen Noviello..... 1
0814 (Navy Admiral Wayne Hargrove); 1103 (Navy Admiral Wayne Hargrove)		1519 (Jesse Banks)
Paula Newsome.....	5	Bruce Nozick..... 2
0618 (Jackie Vance); 0707 (Jackie Vance); 0919 (Jackie Vance); 1011 (Jackie Vance); 1012 (Jackie Vance)		0719 (Harvey Grossman); 2110 (Lacy)
Long Nguyen.....	1	Danny Nucci..... 1
1207 (Ky Van Tu)		1009 (Gordon Fremont)
Marisol Nichols.....	3	Presilah Nunez..... 1
1206 (ATF Special Agent Zoe Keates); 1212 (ATF		1413 (Navy Lieutenant Commander Cheryl Stanley)
		Kai Nuuhiwa..... 1
		1303 (Marine)

John O'Brien	1	Ramon De Ocampo	1
0712 (Bruce)		1104 (Navy Lieutenant Thomas Gorman)	
Sean O'Bryen	1	Robert Ochoa	1
0206 (David Shields)		0805 (Boy)	
Adam O'Byrne	1	Byrne Offutt	1
0517 (Mike Norman)		0304 (Judd Kearns)	
Aaron O'Connell	1	Joey Oglesby	1
1618 (Jordan Peralta)		1008 (Merle Axelrod)	
John-Joe O'Conner	1	Randy Oglesby	1
1010 (Pat Gillespie)		0815 (Army Brigadier General Scott Oliver)	
Dan O'Connor	1	Emory Ogletree II	1
1610 (Richard Sims)		2204 (Huge FBI Agent)	
Susan Louise O'Connor	1	Délé Ogundiran	1
1717 (Woman in Cat Sweater)		1807 (Shelby Roberts)	
Jennifer O'Dell	1	Jonathan Ohye	1
0515 (Dina Rankin)		2015 (Nigel Yang)	
Annie O'Donnell	1	Kim Oja	1
0912 (Agnes Anderstout)		0212 (Karen Wilkerson)	
Chris O'Donnell	3	Omono Okojie	1
0622 (Special Agent G. Callen); 0623 (Special Agent G. Callen); 2010 (Special Agent "G" Callen)		1308 (Bahar Tambai)	
David O'Donnell	1	Toks Olagundoye	1
0107 (Jeb)		0905 (Rebeka Hooper)	
Gerard O'Donnell	1	Jason Manuel Olazabal	1
0202 (Navy Lt. Cmdr. Scott Williams)		2011 (Todd Mercer)	
Conor O'Farrell	1	Kelsey Oldershaw	1
0316 (William Danforth)		0222 (Navy Nurse Lt. Emma Ingham)	
Jenny O'Hara	1	Gabriel Olds	1
0601 (Alice Brodie)		0709 (Gregg Norvell)	
Damian O'Hare	1	Teo Olivares	1
1323 (Guest Star)		0705 ("Speak")	
William O'Leary	1	Brandon Olive	1
1702 (Chief Martin Freydano)		0916 (Military Liaison Ross Kilmer)	
Stephen O'Mahoney	1	Chris Olivero	1
1920 (CEO Paul Newhope)		0103 (Dave Simmons)	
Rory O'Malley	1	Steve Olson	1
2208 (Cliff)		1605 (Dylan)	
Kristen O'Meara	1	Douglas Olsson	1
1502 (Lydia Smith)		1321 (Zaynak Darbenian)	
Amari O'Neil	1	Ty Olsson	1
1718 (Edgar)		1518 (Burke)	
Bill O'Neill	1	Heather Olt	1
1607 (Zach)		1906 (Groundskeeper)	
Michael O'Neill	3	Morocco Omari	2
0808 (Former NCIS Special Agent Riley McCallister); 0809 (Former NCIS Special Agent Riley McCallister); 0914 (Former NCIS Special Agent Riley McCallister)		0312 (NCIS Special Agent Thomas Survoy); 0904 (NCIS Special Agent Thomas Survoy)	
Noreen O'Neill	1	Peter Onorati	1
1705 (Audrey)		0107 (Chief of the Boat)	
Terry O'Quinn	1	R.C. Ormond	1
0115 (Colonel Will Ryan)		1206 (Dorian Hobart)	
Erin Allin O'Reilly	1	Kate Orsini	2
1210 (Heidi Partridge)		1603 (Isabel Monet); 1604 (FBI Special Agent Isabel Monet)	
Ed O'Ross	1	Roxana Ortega	1
0822 (Dao Huang)		1219 (Doctor Susanna Soto)	
James O'Shea	1	David Ortiz	1
0506 (Navy Lt. Sean Ferris)		1621 (Suspect)	
Erin Allin O'	1	Valery Ortiz	1
1120 (Heidi Partridge)		1512 (Kerry Lyons)	
Michelle Obama	1	Holmes Osborne	1
1322 (Herself)		0213 (Fred Hanlan)	
Morgan Oberreder	1	Anna Osceola	1
1313 (Navy Seaman Mary Burk)		1002 (Navy Ensign Grace Watkins)	
Karan Oberoi	2	Rick Otto	1
1112 (Benham Parsa); 1114 (Benham Parsa)		0502 (Adrian Nelson)	
Brian Oblak	1	Justen Overlander	1
1619 (MPD Cop #1)		1406 (Chris Ristow)	
Jacqueline Obradors	3	Ion Overman	1
0722 (Pamela Reynosa); 0724 (Paloma Reynosa); 0801 (Paloma Reynosa)		0913 (Jane Thomas)	
		Jeremy Overstreet	1
		0101 (Agent Bowman)	

Kelly Overton 1
 0703 (Metro Detective Megan Hanley)
 Rick Overton 1
 1709 (Elmer Barlow)
 Jordyn Owens 1
 2210 (Virgil Wilson)
 Micah Tayloe Owens 1
 1124 (Young Gibbs)
 Stephen Oyoung 1
 1322 (Navy Captain Andrew Hubbard)

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Cote de Pablo 10
 0301 (Mossad Agent Ziva David); 0302 (Mossad Agent Ziva David); 1210 (Ziva David); 1324 (Ziva David); 1624 (Ziva David); 1701 (Ziva David); 1702 (Ziva David); 1704 (Ziva David); 1710 (Ziva David); 1711 (Ziva David)
 Dominic Pace 2
 0307 (Vincent Pazzo); 2016 (George Barlow)
 Mikki Padilla 1
 0306 (Leanne Roberts)
 George Paez 1
 1918 (Pablo Silva)
 David Paladino 1
 1314 (Retired Navy Senior Chief P.O. Diego De La Rosa)
 Anthony Palermo 1
 1116 (Nicholas Bodeen)
 Erik Palladino 1
 0704 (Marine Staff Sergeant Daniel Cryer (aka Daniel Shalev))
 Jorge-Luis Pallo 1
 0513 (Lt. Matthew Sanchez)
 D'Anthony Palms 1
 0907 (Ticket Taker)
 David Paluck 1
 1607 (Director Glenn Webb)
 Jimmy Palumbo 1
 0211 (Stage manager)
 Ty Panitz 1
 0709 (Younger Boy)
 Nicole Pano 1
 0218 (Yoga Tehnical Advisor)
 Rahnuma Panthaky 1
 1610 (Neera Kapoor)
 Michele Panu 1
 1404 (Kirstin Hoyle)
 Marty Papazian 1
 0306 (Sgt. Jake Roberts)
 Brandon Papo 1
 2007 (Bobby)
 Dempsey Pappion 1
 0103 (Basketball Player)
 Devika Parikh 1
 2007 (Doctor Saanvi Singh)
 Linda Park 1
 1004 (JAG Officer Lieutenant Nora Patel)
 April Parker-Jones 1
 0616 (Elaine Davis)
 Corey Mendell Parker 1
 1204 (Metro Police Officer Bilik)
 Craig Parker 1
 1122 (Army Jag Counsel Major Richard Huggins)
 Dean Parker 1
 1718 (College Kid)
 Steven C. Parker 1
 0816 (Passing Player)
 James Parks 1
 0511 (Brian Sikes)

Tyler Parks 1
 1516 (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Gordon Cooper)
 Wole Parks 1
 1103 (Navy Captain Michael Laramie)
 Charles Parnell 1
 0702 (Marine Colonel Dick Jestern)
 Jim Parrack 1
 0414 (Nick Hurley)
 Benjamin Parrillo 1
 0223 (Rex Eberlee)
 Austen Parros 1
 1807 (Marcus)
 Michelle Pascarella 1
 1218 (Mallory Bleeker)
 Tony Pasqualini 1
 0112 (Man)
 Rick Pasqualone 1
 0102 (Cpl. Paul Dafelmair)
 Erik Passoja 4
 1904 (FBI Deputy Director Wayne Sweeney); 1921 (FBI Deputy Director Wayne Sweeney); 2001 (FBI Deputy Director Wayne Sweeney); 2204 (FBI Deputy Director Wayne Sweeney)
 Mathew St. Patrick 1
 1017 (Metro Detective Quinton Shard)
 Robert Patrick 1
 0706 (Colonel Merton Bell)
 Lu Patterson 1
 0705 (Ballerina #2)
 Mona Patterson 1
 0705 (Ballerina #1)
 Andrew Pattison 1
 0814 (Navy Information Systems Tech Victor Davies)
 Charlie Morgan Patton 1
 2216 (Paige)
 Colby Paul 1
 0306 (Skateboard Kid #1)
 Bernardo de Paula 1
 1222 (Alfredo Montez)
 Scott Paulin 1
 0320 (Navy Capt. Kevin Dorn)
 Dale Pavinski 1
 1221 (Marine Sergeant Stephen O'Neill)
 Sara Paxton 1
 2207 (Amber Carnahan)
 Amanda Payton 1
 1510 (Misty Boxlarter)
 Ciera Payton 1
 1409 (Laurie Perkins)
 Julie Pearl 1
 1906 (Cindy Anderson)
 David Pease 1
 0614 (Sheriff Lee Chandler)
 Scott Peat 1
 1317 (Mitchell Grafton)
 Jean Paul San Pedro 1
 1313 (Dan Dacey)
 Daniel Peera 1
 1811 (Nasser Al-Kamal)
 Babar Peerzada 2
 1223 (Sadiq Samar); 1224 (Sadiq Samar)
 Sunnie Pelant 1
 1613 (Lily Burke)
 Tim Peper 1
 1109 (NSA Agent Chad Flynderling)
 Logan Pepper 1
 1717 (Dylan)
 Wayne Pere 1
 0402 (Stanley Springer)
 Burton Perez 1
 0801 (Estaban Lopez)

Michael Anthony Perez 1	Erica Piccininni 1
2008 (Pete the Building Manager)	0806 (Navy Lieutenant Clea Thorson)
Miguel Perez 1	Tripp Pickell 1
0210 (Federal Marshal Van Driver)	0513 (Petty Officer Pete Bidwell)
Tyler Perez 1	Wiley Pickett 1
2015 (Navy P.O. First Class Sam Vega)	1008 (Navy Captain David Wade)
Walter Perez 1	Jason Pierce 1
1122 (Army First Lieutenant Michael Waters)	2220 (Liam Flattery)
Aaron Perilo 1	Jeffrey Pierce 1
0919 (Petty Officer Third Class Brian Smith)	0311 (Marine Sgt. Michael McMannis)
Theodore Perkins 1	Michelle Pierce 6
0707 (Army Cadet Clay Waring)	0716 (Breena Slater); 0911 (Breena Slater); 0924
Sofia Pernas 2	(Breena Slater); 1111 (Breena Palmer); 1213
0908 (Marine First Lieutenant Gabriela Flores); 0909	(Breena Palmer); 1913 (Breena Palmer)
(Marine First Lieutenant Gabriela Flores)	Jeff Pierre 1
Pauley Perrette 1	1609 (Lew Nolte)
1319 (Abby Sciuto)	Geoff Pierson 1
Paul Perri 1	0404 (Roy Carver)
0123 (Man)	Alan Pietruszewski 1
Greg Perrow 1	0324 (Navy Captain Tom Zill)
2216 (Firefighter Dawson)	Andrew Pifko 1
S.E. Perry 1	1811 (Miles Thatcher)
0818 (Retired Marine Colonel Yale Peyton)	Cara Pifko 1
Timm Perry 1	0821 (Kelsey Donner)
0702 (Young Alan Sandrich)	Dawn Noel Pignuolo 1
Gino Anthony Pesi 1	0910 (Metro Police Officer Blake)
0811 (Doug Fisher)	Mitch Pileggi 2
Rafael Petardi 1	1611 (Wynn Crawford); 1622 (Wynn Crawford)
1816 (Afrim Murati)	Alejandro Pina 1
Rick Peters 2	0819 (EMT Jonny)
0922 (Vincent Maple); 0923 (Vincent Maple)	Jimmy "Jax" Pinchak 1
Eric Petersen 1	0817 (Jason)
1406 ('Pale' Dale Matteson)	Bronson Pinchot 1
Jeff Peterson 1	1206 (George Burton)
0104 (Brad)	Robert Pine 1
Kimberlee Peterson 1	0105 (Golfer Ben)
0320 (Navy Lt. Keira Napleton)	Erin Pineda 1
Seth Peterson 1	1919 (Cynthia Moniz)
0907 (Thomas Pearce)	Jim Pirri 1
Michael Petrone 1	0105 (Randy Wiles)
2004 (Camping Guide Carl)	Joe Pistone 1
Alexei Petrov 1	1307 (Prison Guard)
1201 (Valet)	Jack Jaco Pitchon 1
Chris Petrovski 2	1913 (Dr. Yuri Pastov)
2022 (Lev Trotsky); 2101 (Lev Trotsky)	Russell Pitts 1
Valarie Pettiford 2	1011 (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Judd Nor-
1903 (Sonia Eberhart); 1904 (Sonia Eberhart)	wood)
Nicole Pettis 1	Victoria Gabrielle Platt 2
1119 (Haley)	1801 (NCIS Special Agent Veronica Tyler); 1811 (NCIS
Penny Peyser 1	Special Agent Veronica Tyler)
1507 (Judge Susan Delphy)	Ashley Platz 1
Elizabeth Peña 1	1915 (Kat Hanna)
0206 (FBI Agent Lina Reyes)	Jesse Plemons 1
Stefanie von Pfetten 1	0313 (Jason Geckler)
0705 (Sara Korby)	John Pleshette 1
Alina Phelan 1	0311 (Tom Crawley)
1707 (Amy)	Eyal Podell 1
Derek Phillips Jr. 1	0401 (Namir Eschel)
2107 (Nine-year-old Jared Vance)	Benjamin Poe 1
Jonathan Kells Phillips 1	1714 (Bodyguard)
1320 (Senator Shawn Kelly)	Joel Polis 1
Joseph C. Phillips 1	0918 (Ronald Ostrowski)
1407 (L. Conway)	Serafina Polite 1
Burgandi Trejo Phoenix 1	1709 (Emma)
2109 (Rachel Calley)	Kevin Pollak 1
Gabriella Piazza 1	1514 (Albert Hathaway)
2110 (Molly Mackin)	Daniel Polo 1
Robert Picardo 1	0924 (Parker Ryan)
2010 (Retired Marine Gunnery Sergeant Dale Hard-	Teri Polo 2
ing)	1921 (Vivian Kolchak); 2001 (Vivian Kolchak)

Melissa Ponzio 1
 0904 (Drew Turner)

Colleen Porch 1
 0214 (Jill Meyers)

Peter Porte 1
 2002 (Owen Belfort III)

Rose Portillo 1
 2109 (Sheriff Jo)

Eva Portugues 1
 1710 (Tali)

Vera Portugues 1
 1710 (Tali)

Nicola Posener 1
 2004 (Maxine Lautner)

Jesse Posey 1
 1911 (Navy Lieutenant Emmanuel Vela)

John Posey 1
 0812 (Lance Simmons)

Ely Pouget 1
 0201 (Julie Watson)

Tarina Pouncy 1
 1916 (Capt. Anne Crenshaw)

CCH Pounder 2
 1118 (Jefferson Parish Coroner Doctor Loretta Wade);
 1119 (Jefferson Parish Coroner Doctor Loretta
 Wade)

Arnell Powell 1
 0407 (Abraham Moussalah)

Austin Powell 1
 2020 (Floyd)

Brittney Powell 1
 0306 (Jamie Carr)

Drew Powell 1
 1008 (Fred Hadley)

Glen Powell 2
 1006 (Marine Sergeant Evan Westcott); 1007 (Ma-
 rine Sergeant Evan Westcott)

Grace Powell 1
 1801 (Joyce)

Dave Power 1
 0102 (Cpl. Dave Ramsey)

Victoria Pratt 1
 0713 (Flight Attendant Tiffany Chase)

Carlos Pratts 1
 1916 (Isaac Morales)

Massi Pregoni 1
 2105 (Kenny the Manager)

Justin Prentice 1
 1121 (Navy Ensign Michael Fox)

Jeryl Prescott 1
 1607 (Annie Sullivan)

David Pressman 1
 1602 (Lewis Dacey)

Lawrence Pressman 2
 0101 (Secret Service Director); 0411 (Dr. Russell
 Pike)

Augustus Prew 1
 1105 (Anton Markin)

Dave Price 1
 0214 (Meteorologist)

Lindsay Price 1
 0209 (Navy Lt. Pam Kim)

Jeff Pride 1
 1915 (Car Owner)

Austin Priestler 2
 0122 (Petty Officer Kenny); 0602 (Navy Lieutenant
 Bryce Armstrong)

Sarah Prikryl 1
 0218 (Tiffany Jordon (uncredited))

Kristin Proctor 1
 0217 (1st Lt. Susan Ellsworth)

Tom Proctor 1
 1701 (Grizzly Adams)

Eugene Prokofiev 1
 1913 (Dennis Newton)

John Prosky 1
 0918 (Carl Dalton)

Kirsten Prout 1
 1008 (Lydia Wade)

Andrew Puente 1
 1504 (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Joe Smiddy)

Arturo del Puerto 1
 1219 (Eddie "Collarbone" Rosario)

Nick Puga 1
 1406 (TSA Agent Gregg Rogers)

Zac Pullam 1
 1602 (Mitch)

Lindsay Pulsipher 1
 0710 (Tina Ellis)

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Samantha Guan 1
 1105 (Amy Linden)

Suzanne Quast 1
 1116 (Liz Allen)

Dustin Quick 1
 1203 (Young Woman)

Kevin Quigley 1
 0219 (William the Truthteller)

Alex Quijano 1
 1312 (Blye Head of Security Blake Huxley)

Allene Quincy 1
 1717 (Goth Wannabe)

Patrick Quinlan 1
 1311 (London Bobby)

Anthony Tyler Quinn 1
 1121 (Navy Commander Clarence Daniels)

Brandon Quinn 1
 1403 (Martin Abell)

Damian Joseph Quinn 1
 2006 (Travis Baltoni)

Francesco Quinn 2
 0113 (Gunnery Sgt. Alvarez); 0408 (Luis Romero)

Sebastian Quinn 1
 1814 (Otto)

Shamus Quinn 1
 1004 (Bernard Curry)

Nohely Quiroz 1
 1902 (Carla)

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Elisabeth Röhm 1
 1422 (May Dawson)

Stacey Arwen Raab 1
 1402 (Woman Cop)

Paloma Rabinov 1
 1505 (Sober Sally)

Alan Rachins 1
 2015 (Bud)

Brenna Radding 1
 0507 (Kelly Gibbs)

Will Radford 1
 1419 (Dale Gruber)

Cameron Radice 1
 1603 (Petty Officer First Class Todd Nicholas)

Ryan Radis 1
 1505 (Andrew Lewis)

Paul Rae 1
 0221 (Steve Hager)

William Ragsdale..... 1	Hines); 1602 (Kasie Hines); 1603 (Kasie Hines); 1611 (Kasie Hines)
1106 (Brett Creevy)	Deprece Reddick..... 1
Medalion Rahimi..... 1	0618 (Spit)
1123 (Iranian terrorist)	Jonathan Redford..... 1
David Raibon..... 1	0219 (Corpsman Timothy Morgan)
0509 (Survivalist Trainee #2)	Christopher Redman..... 1
Victor Raider-Wexler..... 1	0815 (Carl Fleming)
0412 (Patrick Carmody)	Virginia Reece..... 1
Dominic Rains..... 1	0217 (Allison Donovan)
0419 (Jamal Malik)	Alyson Reed..... 1
Ethan Rains..... 3	1517 (Mrs. Keogh)
1014 (NCIS Systems Administrator Kevin Hussein);	Ben Reed..... 1
1201 (Systems Administrator Kevin Hussein);	0204 (Chief P.O. Ian Goetz)
1210 (Former NCIS systems administrator Kevin Hussein)	Brianna Reed..... 1
Lily Rains..... 1	2010 (Libby)
0713 (Nora Williams)	Darryl Alan Reed..... 1
Nicole Rainteau..... 1	1212 (Cabbie)
2011 (Kaytlynn)	Kim Reed..... 1
Dalila Ali Rajah..... 1	1903 (Nurse #1)
1405 (Mary Falco)	Joe Reagan..... 1
Eric James Ramey..... 1	1016 (Marcus)
0809 (Dr. Nolan Cooper)	Jed Rees..... 1
T. J. Ramini..... 3	1218 (Voight Hex)
0704 (Mossad Officer Malachi Ben-Gidon); 0808	Joshua Elijah Reese..... 1
(Mossad Officer Malachi Ben-Gidon); 0809 (Mossad Officer Malachi Ben-Gidon)	1401 (Suited Man)
David Ramsey..... 2	Perrey Reeves..... 1
0105 (Agent Owens); 0106 (Agent Richard Owens)	0915 (Wendy Miller)
Josh Randall..... 1	Teri Reeves..... 1
1206 (Navy Commander Ryan Barnes)	1103 (Navy LTJB Dana Robbins)
Julian Rangel..... 1	Joe Regalbuto..... 1
2101 (Young Nick Torres)	0710 (Marine Colonel George Ellis)
Kevin Rankin..... 1	Laura Regan..... 1
0512 (Dennis Moran)	1508 (Amber Davis)
Steve Rankin..... 1	Lee Reheman..... 1
0120 (Sgt. Bill Atlas)	0102 (Sgt. Tuers)
Roger Ranney..... 1	Richard Reid..... 1
0708 (Elevator Repairman)	0919 (Navy Seaman Robert Epplund)
Terrell Ransom Jr..... 1	Rupert Reid..... 1
1524 (Parker)	1020 (Noah Daniels)
Jim Rash..... 1	Robert Reinis..... 1
0110 (Dr. Joel Sanderson)	0406 (Drew Paragon)
Jeremy Ratchford..... 1	Charles Remley III..... 2
1309 (Detective Malone)	1218 (Homeland Security Agent #3); 1615 (Navy Chief #1)
Ellen Ratner..... 1	Dennis Renard..... 1
1704 (Department of Army Security Guard May Stern)	2019 (Paramedic)
Carolyn Ratteray..... 1	Mercedes Renard..... 1
0809 (Nurse)	0605 (Elizabeth Adler)
Matthew Rauch..... 1	Joe Renteria..... 1
0123 (Man)	1716 (Retired Navy Master Chief Arturo 'Art' Amador)
Drew Rausch..... 1	Tim Rettlely..... 1
1013 (Brandon Singer)	0606 (Marine Sergeant Jack Burrell)
Nina Rausch..... 1	Simon Rex..... 1
1403 (Devon Hill)	1218 (Scott Bleeker)
Emilie de Ravin..... 1	Ana Rey..... 1
0103 (Nancy)	1517 (Museum Curator)
Derek Ray..... 1	Marcus Reynaga..... 1
1004 (Navy Lieutenant Commander David Hernandez)	0323 (Paramedic)
Marcus Ray..... 1	Corey Reynolds..... 1
1912 (Bouncer)	0710 (Navy Lieutenant Commander Aaban El-Sayad)
Tania Raymonde..... 2	Terry Rhoads..... 1
0217 (Anna Real); 2013 (Chloe Marlene)	0112 (Stanley Borden)
Danielle Rayne..... 1	Jennifer Rhodes..... 1
1601 (Marine Colonel Leah Siffler)	1919 (Claudia)
James Read..... 1	Phillip Rhys..... 1
1512 (Alan Newhall)	0308 (Yussif)
Diona Reasonover..... 6	Robert Ri'chard..... 1
1517 (Kasie Hines); 1523 (Kasie Hines); 1524 (Kasie Hines); 1602 (Kasie Hines); 1603 (Kasie Hines); 1611 (Kasie Hines)	0617 (Navy Seaman Richard Zell)
	Sienna Ribeiro..... 1
	2216 (Grace)

Brett Rice..... 1	Kim Robillard..... 1
1314 (Captain RJ Hammond)	1311 (Dwayne Parker)
Salli Richardson-Whitfield..... 2	Diane Robin..... 1
1108 (Carrie Clark); 1309 (Carrie Clark)	1010 (Jennifer)
Marque Richardson..... 1	Tony Robinette..... 1
0820 (Navy Seaman Joey Elson)	2018 (Nate Sullivan)
Patricia Richardson..... 1	Andrea C. Robinson..... 1
1907 (Judy Price Fielding)	1002 (Midge Watkins)
Russell Richardson..... 1	Charles Robinson..... 1
1014 (Army Sergeant Chad Spooner)	1605 (Ray Jennings)
Salli Richardson..... 1	Keith Robinson..... 1
1208 (Carrie Clark)	1207 (Henry Caldwell)
Sy Richardson..... 1	Leonard Robinson..... 2
1013 (Lester)	0910 (Metro Police Officer Jackson); 1313 (Metro Police Officer Jackson)
Brett Rickaby..... 1	Rochelle Robinson..... 1
0704 (Steve Diamond)	1612 (Megan Boone)
Tijuana Ricks..... 1	Eamonn Roche..... 1
1812 (CIA Agent Pamela Walsh)	0702 (Hector Stuckley)
Suzanne Rico..... 1	Kevin Rock..... 1
0319 (Reporter)	0911 (DoD Liason Harris Klein)
Matt Riedy..... 1	Tim Rock..... 1
0508 (Navy Rear Adm. Kenneth Kirkland)	2010 (FLETC Instructor Cambria)
Lisa Rieffel..... 1	Al Rodrigo..... 1
0612 (Brenda Carter)	2016 (Police Captain Martinez)
Eden Riegel..... 1	Jason Rodriguez..... 1
0919 (Meredith Bilson)	1422 (Mounted Park Police Brad Cole)
Richard Riehle..... 2	Rico Rodriguez..... 1
1307 (Walt Osorio); 1414 (Walt Osorio)	0619 (Travis Buckley)
Beth Riesgraf..... 1	Sol Rodriguez..... 1
0816 (Maxine Edwards)	1401 (Elena Silva)
Robin Riker..... 1	Teddy Rodriguez..... 1
0211 (Saleena Lockhart)	1705 (Joe Cortez)
Jonny Rios..... 1	Channon Roe..... 1
2007 (Victor Wilkes)	0612 (Sergeant Gordon Lambro)
Zakary Risinger..... 1	Scott C. Roe..... 1
1711 (Hurley)	1310 (Marine)
Tyler Ritter..... 1	Daniel Roebuck..... 1
1312 (Luca Sciuto)	0312 (Port Security Chief Matthew Lake)
Daniel Louis Rivas..... 2	Jason Rogel..... 1
0904 (Kyle Davis); 1002 (Kyle Davis)	1917 (Leo)
Geoffrey Rivas..... 1	Mimi Rogers..... 2
1513 (Mr. Guzman)	1224 (CIA Officer Joanna Teague); 1301 (CIA Offi- cer Joanna Teague)
Carlos Javier Rivera..... 1	Sasha Roiz..... 1
2210 (Arturo Jimenez)	0419 (NCIS Agent Rick Hall)
Ektor Rivera..... 1	Rose Rollins..... 1
1812 (Father)	1010 (Navy Lieutenant Commander Megan Huffner)
Fernando Rivera..... 1	Mark Rolston..... 2
1019 (Navy Seaman Mark Forrest)	1006 (George Westcott); 1007 (George Westcott)
Blake Robbins..... 1	Rufino Romero..... 1
1008 (Navy Commander Scott Martin)	2015 (Nurse)
Leonard Robbins..... 1	Kaley Ronayne..... 1
0117 (PO Howard Carter)	1506 (Rhonda Collins)
Conrad Roberts..... 1	Alison Rood..... 1
0216 (Benjamin King)	1815 (Tina)
Jeremy Roberts..... 1	Jon Root..... 1
0418 (Marine Cpl. Liam O'Neill)	1501 (Navy Pilot)
Jonno Roberts..... 1	Richie Rosales..... 1
0415 (Scott Pell)	1708 (Navy Musician First Class Zachary Warren)
Katie Roberts..... 2	Thomas Rosales Jr..... 1
1301 (Navy Surgical Tech Ensign Joni Ryan); 1308 (Navy Surgical Tech Ensign Joni Ryan)	0914 (Pedro Hernandez)
Leonard Roberts..... 1	Anny Elizabeth Rosario..... 1
0117 (P.O. Howard Carter)	2021 (Navy Lt. Jasmine Coyne)
Ward Roberts..... 1	Weronika Rosati..... 1
0602 (Pilot)	1021 (Rivka David)
Daniel Lee Robertson III..... 1	Cristine Rose..... 1
0705 ("See")	0119 (Pat Stone)
Elise Robertson..... 1	Emily Rose..... 1
1411 (Alice Miller)	1604 (FBI Special Agent Anna Jenlowe)
Shelley Robertson..... 1	
1003 (Navy Captain Beverly Sharp)	

Julia Rose 1
 0204 (Female Bartender)

Michael Rose 1
 0717 (Marine Major Gordon Holcomb)

Michael Edward Rose 1
 0110 (Walter Richter)

Robin Pearson Rose 1
 0806 (Lorrain Thorson)

Thea Rose 1
 0315 (Chrissy Wayne)

John Rosenfeld 2
 0115 (Agent Charles); 0205 (FBI Agent Charles)

Chelcie Ross 1
 1119 (Josef Hanlon)

Erin Ross 1
 0820 (Melissa)

Tyler Ross 1
 1007 (Adam Horne)

Isaac Gonzalez Rossi 1
 1804 (Marco)

Andrew Rothenberg 1
 0610 (Bruce Solomon)

Karly Rothenberg 1
 0904 (Female Passerby)

Terence J. Rotolo 1
 1920 (Bannon)

Jonathan Rounie 1
 1123 (Officer Gerard)

David Rountree 1
 0115 (FBI Surveillance Technician)

Lindsay Rousseau 1
 1719 (M.P.D. Cop)

Grace Rowe 1
 1416 (NCIS Special Agent Donna Andrews)

Rodney Rowland 1
 1106 (Operations Officer Jonah McGuire)

Gena Rowlands 1
 0716 (Joann Fielding)

Danny Royce 1
 2003 (Reporter #2)

Daniela Ruah 3
 0622 (Special Agent Kensi Blye); 0623 (Special Agent Kensi Blye); 2107 (Kensi Blye)

Josh Rubenstein 1
 1019 (WJGZ Meteorologist Josh Rosen)

John Rubinstein 1
 0109 (Bob)

Richard Ruccolo 1
 1120 (Ronald Troutman)

Alan Ruck 1
 1109 (Ward Davis)

Ruth Rudnick 1
 0314 (Gina Goodwin)

Reed Rudy 1
 0107 (Air Transport Officer)

Betsy Rue 1
 0518 (Sasha Gordon)

Mercedes Ruehl 1
 1420 (Marie Quinn)

E.R. Ruiz 1
 1920 (Carson)

Hector Atreyu Ruiz 2
 1006 (Marine First Lieutenant Michael Torres); 1007 (Marine First Lieutenant Michael Torres)

Link Ruiz 1
 1708 (Hugo Grava)

Roland Ruiz 1
 1711 (Kenny)

Olesya Rulin 1
 1120 (Kim Troutman)

Jonathan Runyon 1
 0909 (Marine PFC Oscar Cunningham)

Michael Rupnow 1
 1813 (Parker James)

Robert Rusler 1
 0203 (Marine Lt. Colonel Curtis Teague)

Tim Russ 2
 0322 (Jerry Kemper); 2108 (Dr. Erik Harper)

William Russ 1
 0918 (Philip Wickes)

Montae Russell 1
 1912 (Marine Lt. General Joseph Clark)

Deanna Russo 1
 0505 (Ashley)

Leon Russom 1
 0118 (Grandpa)

Susan Ruttan 1
 2001 (Samantha Delfino)

James Leo Ryan 1
 1506 (Richard Oscar Shea / Ricochet)

Jeri Ryan 1
 1211 (Rebecca Chase)

Tim Ryan 1
 0206 (Greg Boyen)

James Ryen 1
 0513 (Seaman)

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Della Saba 1
 2212 (Ilene Smyth)

Joe Sabatino 1
 0116 (HRT Leader Horowitz)

Antonio Sabato Jr. 1
 0610 (Dale Kapp)

Robin Sachs 1
 0917 (MI5 Inspector Andrew Challis)

Helen Sadler 1
 1424 (Julie)

Jonathan Sadowski 1
 0106 (Lt. Norski)

Bill Sage 1
 0603 (Reed Talbot)

Vik Sahay 2
 1014 (Ajay Khan); 1210 (Henry Kahn)

Dahlia Salem 1
 1314 (Maria De La Rosa)

Samer Salem 1
 2017 (Mateen Jamaah)

Jonathan Salisbury 1
 1307 (Stephenson)

Hilary Salvatore 1
 0219 (P.O. Jessica Smith)

Russell Sams 1
 1019 (Navy Petty Officer Second Class Daniel Graves)

Marc Anthony Samuel 1
 1007 (Marine Private First Class James Hall)

Sean Samuels 1
 1918 (Buyer #1)

Olivia Sanabia 1
 2102 (Serena Zawadski)

Lauren Sanchez 1
 0717 (NCIS Agent Sanchez)

Marco Sanchez 7
 0721 (Alejandro Rivera); 0722 (Alejandro Rivera);
 0723 (Alejandro Rivera); 0724 (Alejandro Rivera);
 0801 (Alejandro Rivera); 1124 (Alejandro Rivera);
 1522 (Alejandro Rivera)

Rigo Sanchez 1
 0106 (Boyfriend)

Roberto Sanchez	1	Richard Schiff	4
0602 (Jose)		0922 (Harper Dearing); 0923 (Harper Dearing); 0924 (Harper Dearing); 1001 (Harper Dearing)	
Tony Sancho	1	Charlie Schlacter	1
1421 (Mitch Monroe)		1122 (Lorin Davis)	
Cole Sand	1	Lenny Schmidt	1
1013 (Young Luca Sciuto)		0607 (Eddie Banasek)	
Kendall Ryan Sanders	1	Ned Schmidtke	1
0619 (Zane Wilson)		0408 (Congressman Frank Getz)	
Zeb Sanders	1	Kurt Scholler	1
1307 (Dwight)		0811 (Steve Mehlman)	
Sara Sanderson	1	Nate Scholz	1
0603 (Tiffany)		1307 (Former Navy Seaman Todd Bennett)	
Neil Sandilands	1	June Schreiner	1
1411 (Hendric Kruger)		1409 (Amy Barrett)	
Ryan Sands	1	Sam Schuder	1
1222 (Captain)		0914 (Kelly Gibbs)	
Arlene Santana	1	Travis Schuldtt	2
1617 (Constance Shaw)		1411 (Pilot Paul Miller); 2206 (Freddie Martin)	
Andrew Santiago	1	Amanda Schull	1
2208 (Matty)		1910 (Kay Barlow)	
Susan Santiago	3	Paul Schulze	1
0324 (Camila Charo); 0401 (Camila Charo); 0723 (Camila Charo)		0318 (Marine Major Ken Meyers)	
Mariela Santos	1	Dmitri Schuyler-Linch	1
0204 (Jane Doe)		0818 (Young Nick Peyton)	
Carlos Sanz	1	Kaipo Schwab	1
0109 (Gonzales)		2012 (FBI Assistant Special Agent in Charge Liam McCullers)	
Al Sapienza	3	Maite Schwartz	1
0118 (Cmdr. William Foley); 2022 (De Leon's Lawyer); 2101 (Maurice Riva)		1123 (French Inspector Isabelle Chablis)	
Sarah Khasrovi	1	Tracy Scoggins	1
1903 (Patty)		0610 (Tabitha Summers)	
Jason Sarcinelli	1	Ashley Scott	1
0821 (Navy Petty Officer Eric Donner)		0721 (Dana Hutton)	
Sam Sarpong	1	Hugh Scott	1
0103 (Bobby Jackson)		0911 (Police Deputy Billy McCormick)	
Michael Sarysz	1	Kelsey Scott	1
0109 (Corporal James Travis)		1118 (FBI Senior Agent Lynette Doyle)	
Elena Satine	1	Klea Scott	1
0815 (Adriana Gorgova)		1209 (Airport Police Lieutenant Janet Lewis)	
Matthew Sato	1	Lorna Scott	1
1919 (Zack Taylor)		0211 (Sally Parker)	
Daniel Sauli	1	Rodney Scott	1
0720 (Gus Templeton)		0322 (Brian Dempsey)	
Teddy Saunders	1	Anson Scoville	1
0815 (Young Man)		0106 (PO2 Peter Shrewe)	
Doug Savant	2	Mik Scriba	1
0122 (Larry Clannon); 1620 (Marine Brigadier General Daniel Kent)		0107 (Mr. Walters)	
Stelio Savante	1	Nick Searcy	1
0507 (Danny Coyle)		0502 (Joseph Barnes)	
Tommy Savas	1	Kathy Searle	1
1409 (Max Sanders)		2214 (Rhonda Rosen)	
Suzanne Savoy	1	Kyle Searles	1
1606 (Rachel Brentwood)		0612 (Aaron)	
Joshua Sawtell	1	Dustin Seavey	2
1215 (Guest Star)		0814 (Navy Seaman Marcus Leonard); 2005 (Larry Sykes)	
Owen Saxon	1	Laura Seay	1
1708 (Musician First Class Luke Undervoy)		1208 (Anna Dillon)	
James Sayess	1	Lobo Sebastian	1
1221 (Armed Lookout)		1205 (Renaldo Aranda / Engineer)	
Raphael Sbarge	1	Maureen Sebastian	1
0806 (Rupert Kritzer)		1318 (Elaine Dodd)	
Paul Schackman	1	Noah Segan	1
1406 (Sullivan Brady)		0113 (Teenager / Sniper)	
Tom Schanley	2	Albie Selznick	1
0910 (Navy Lieutenant Dean Massey); 2205 (CIA Officer Conrad)		0404 (Marty Allen)	
Mike Schiff	1	Marc Senter	1
1920 (Navy Reservist John Murphy)		0207 (Pvt. Stearns)	
		Lauran September	1
		1601 (Emma Thatcher)	

Greg Serano 1	Zuanna Sherman 1
1314 (Jalen Washington)	1012 (Bodyguard)
Samantha Sergeant 1	Blake Shields 1
0712 (Ashley)	0113 (Potential Recruit)
Nestor Serrano 1	Graham Shiels 1
1114 (NSA Supervisor Jeremy Marlens)	0406 (Martin Jansen)
Greta Sesheta 1	Eddie Shin 1
0315 (Receptionist)	0718 (CGIS Special Agent Kyle Omagi)
Ted Shackelford 1	Lauren Shiohama 1
1505 (Stewart)	0712 (Taylor)
Pamela Shaddock 1	Peg Shirley 1
0718 (Nurse)	1708 (Mature Woman)
Edmund L. Shaff 1	Solomon Shiv 1
0119 (Security Guard George)	1102 (Officer 1)
Philip Shahbaz 1	Arron Shiver 1
1814 (Doctor Hamza Bashar)	1020 (Landers Orton)
Dave Shalansky 1	Kent Shocknek 10
0213 (Delivery Man)	0113 (Male Reporter); 0311 (Guy Ross); 0707 (Guy Ross); 0714 (Guy Ross); 1210 (Guy Ross); 1301 (Guy Ross); 1504 (Guy Ross); 1603 (Guy Ross); 1611 (Guy Ross); 2110 (ZNN News Anchor Guy Ross)
Tatum Shank 1	Daniel Jay Shore 1
1707 (Ted)	0217 (P.O. Benny Horlacher)
James Shanklin 1	Christopher Shyer 1
0703 (Navy Captain Martin Armstrong)	0303 (Kyle Boone)
Brighton Sharbino 1	John Siciliano 1
1013 (Young Abby Sciuto)	0510 (Marine PFC Nathan Stone)
Nalini Sharma 1	Devin Sidell 1
1518 (NCIS Tech Leslie Vyas)	1402 (Angela Russell)
Shaan Sharma 1	Sloane Morgan Siegel 1
1411 (Kasim Alfarah)	1615 (Max Girard)
Monti Sharp 1	Matt Sighloch 1
0106 (Handler)	0123 (Man)
David Shatraw 1	Mariana Da Silva 1
1117 (Bobby Quinn)	1406 (Dakota James)
Charles Shaughnessy 1	Adam Silver 1
1410 (Balthazar Kilmeany)	1416 (Dabney)
Brit Shaw 1	Lily Rose Silver 1
1119 (Allison)	1519 (Elena)
Eugene Shaw 1	Michael B. Silver 1
1707 (Master Sergeant Neil Koh)	0904 (Nicholas Sandlock)
Gena Shaw 1	Rafi Silver 4
1417 (Margo Lenkovic)	1221 (Qasim Naasir); 1408 (Qasim Naasir); 1411 (Qasim Naasir); 1416 (Qasim Naasir)
Ivan Shaw 1	Kyla Drew Simmons 1
1101 (Victor Cheng)	1207 (Greta Staley)
Kim Shaw 1	Lise Simms 1
1202 (Former Navy Lieutenant Courtney Reed)	1602 (Nancy Reynolds)
Ektimal Shbib 1	Cliff M. Simon 1
0515 (Iraqi Woman)	1022 (Guest Star)
Jerry Shea 1	Marci Simon 1
0601 (Third Geek)	1222 (Mrs. Simek)
Chris Sheffield 1	Tamika Simpkins 1
0719 (Vince)	1803 (Jill)
Sammy Sheik 1	Doug Simpson 1
0515 (Iraqi Militia Guard at Road Block)	1224 (Roger Dietz)
Judi Shekoni 1	Taja V. Simpson 1
0311 (Natalie Vance)	1323 (Guest Star)
Steven Shelby 1	Jocko Sims 1
2206 (Goon)	0919 (Michael Thomas)
Parry Shen 1	Abhi Sinha 1
0111 (Ben Richmond)	1123 (Khan)
Andy Shephard 1	Tiya Sircar 1
0919 (Navy Seaman Mark Hill)	0813 (Lauren Donnelly)
W. Morgan Sheppard 1	Marina Sirtis 3
0613 (Marcin Jerek)	1021 (Orli Elbaz); 1102 (Orli Elbaz); 1324 (Orli Elbaz)
Michael Shepperd 1	Mark Sivertsen 1
2103 (Louis)	0104 (Commander Rivers)
Michael A. Shepperd 1	
0507 (Mailman)	
Jamey Sheridan 2	
1019 (Navy Admiral John McGee); 1210 (Admiral John McGee)	
Lisa Sheridan 1	
0709 (Krista Dalton)	

Kevin Sizemore.....	3	Scott Alan Smith.....	1
0207 (M.P. Mueller); 0215 (Marine Sgt. Moore); 2021 (Stuart Greco)		0216 (Det. Mauceri)	
Brian T. Skala.....	1	Wyatt Smith.....	1
0814 (Navy Ensign David Howard)		0518 (Frankie)	
Jon Sklaroff.....	1	Krishna Smitha.....	1
0218 (Jonathan Redding)		2108 (Dr. Carrie Moran)	
Vladimir Skomarovsky.....	1	Philip Smithey.....	1
0423 (Colonel-General Dimitri Borov)		1420 (Clint Asher)	
Oren Skoog.....	1	Alan Smyth.....	1
1704 (Fanny-Packed Tourist)		0424 (Nick Kerry)	
Jeff Skowron.....	1	Stephen Snedden.....	1
0822 (Peter Sears)		1313 (Jim Murphy)	
Haaz Sleiman.....	1	Bradley Snedeker.....	1
0419 (Abdul Wahid)		0104 (Petty Officer Carnahan)	
Amy Sloan.....	1	Anna Claire Sneed.....	1
0204 (P.O. Cynthia Cluxton)		1313 (Jane Murphy)	
John Sloan.....	1	Johnny Sneed.....	1
1117 (Luke Pischedda)		0122 (CIA Agent Kramer)	
Robert Sloan.....	1	David Rees Snell.....	1
0922 (Tobey Abbott)		0910 (Morgan Hunt)	
Jamie Sara Slvon.....	1	Tommy Snider.....	1
1419 (Trish Collinson)		2106 (Nestor Quinn)	
Samantha Sloyan.....	1	Yolanda Snowball.....	1
0908 (Emily Goodwin)		1505 (Meeting Secretary)	
Amelia Bryn Smith.....	1	Clayton Snyder.....	1
0619 (Rebecca Taffet)		1120 (Sampson)	
Arjay Smith.....	1	James Snyder.....	1
0714 (Roy)		2020 (Dr. Miles Bauer)	
Bee-Be Smith.....	1	Maura Soden.....	1
1610 (Volunteer)		0808 (Former NCIS Special Agent Melora Koss)	
Billy Smith.....	1	Rena Sofer.....	6
1018 (Jim Virgil)		0711 (Margaret Allison Hart); 0714 (Margaret Allison Hart); 0716 (Margaret Allison Hart); 0721 (Margaret Allison Hart); 0723 (Margaret Allison Hart); 0724 (Margaret Allison Hart)	
Brady Smith.....	1	Sky Soleil.....	1
0415 (David Cross)		0424 (Bill)	
Brian Thomas Smith.....	1	Jered Solow.....	1
2002 (Larry)		1802 (Young Freckles)	
Caleb Alexander Smith.....	1	Alex Solowitz.....	1
2004 (ISB Special Agent Gage Winchester)		0113 (Dave)	
Caroline Whitney Smith.....	1	Gary Sommers.....	2
1715 (Molly)		0310 (John Benedict); 0310 (Assistant)	
Christine Lynn Smith.....	1	E-Kan Soong.....	1
0912 (Cara Barnsway)		1616 (Kenneth Dent)	
Cotter Smith.....	2	Corey Sorenson.....	1
0323 (NCIS Special Agent in Charge Sam Stevens); 0324 (NCIS Special Agent in Charge Sam Stevens)		0708 (Anthony Paxton)	
Forry Smith.....	1	Joseph Julian Soria.....	1
1012 (Duane Gustafson)		0615 (Victor "Popeye" Carmado)	
Jamie Renee Smith.....	1	Heather Sossaman.....	1
0612 (Rhiannon)		1222 (Maggie)	
Jason Alan Smith.....	1	Gabriel Sousa.....	1
0207 (Cpl. Dale Kean)		1804 (Jared)	
Kelly Smith.....	1	Christina Souza.....	1
1015 (Emily Miller)		0102 (Rosemarie Fuentes)	
Kerr Smith.....	2	Sebastian Sozzi.....	1
0823 (Navy Lieutenant Jonas Cobb); 0824 (Navy Lieutenant Jonas Cobb)		1720 (Kevin Deacon)	
La'Jessie Smith.....	1	Douglas Spain.....	1
1119 (Lamar)		0319 (Ceasar Bernal)	
Lyndon Smith.....	2	Joe Spano.....	53
1712 (Lieutenant Rebecca Weeks); 1714 (Navy Lieutenant Rebecca Weeks)		0101 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0103 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0115 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0123 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0205 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0219 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0223 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0308 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0309 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0402 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0410 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0421 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0424 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0504 (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0514 (Sr. FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0605 (Sr. FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0624	
Marcus Terrell Smith.....	1		
2211 (Wedding DJ / NCIS Agent)			
Nikko Austen Smith.....	1		
2020 (Petty Officer Amanda Grayson)			
Patrick Robert Smith.....	1		
0421 (Tim Gerber)			
Peter James Smith.....	1		
1419 (Benjamin Harmey)			

(Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0715 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0720 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0803 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0819 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0907 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 0914 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 1001 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 1009 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 1024 (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 1101 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 1102 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 1110 (FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 1118 (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 1119 (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 1212 (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 1215 (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 1310 (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 1315 (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 1324 (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 1401 (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 1403 (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 1507 (Senior FBI Agent T.C. Fornell); 1514 (T.C. Fornell); 1515 (T.C. Fornell); 1522 (T.C. Fornell); 1604 (Tobias Fornell); 1624 (Former FBI Agent Tobias Fornell); 1801 (T.C. Fornell); 1803 (T.C. Fornell); 1804 (Tobias Fornell); 1805 (Tobias Fornell); 1809 (Tobias Fornell); 1902 (Tobias C. Fornell); 1917 (Tobias TC Fornell); 2001 (T.C. Fornell); 2107 (Tobias T.C. Fornell)	Don Stark 1 0919 (Marty Fiero)
Nick Spano 1 0507 (Marine Sgt. Rudi Haas)	Anthony Starke 1 0508 (Derrick Choyce)
Susan Spano 1 1105 (Marie Markin)	Mike Starr 1 0211 (Monroe Cooper)
Rick Sparks 1 0315 (Seaman Fred Randall)	David Starzyk 2 0413 (Allan J. Carter); 2102 (Councilman Allan Berger)
Alex Sparrow 1 1912 (Maxim Dovhal)	Meg Chambers Steedle 1 1123 (Amanda Kendall)
Aaron D. Spears 1 0813 (Marine Major Michael Strickland)	Jessica Steen 6 0108 (Special Agent Paula Cassidy); 0116 (Special Agent Paula Cassidy); 0123 (Special Agent Paula Cassidy); 0208 (NCIS Special Agent Paula Cassidy); 0303 (Special Agent Paula Cassidy); 0419 (Special Agent Paula Cassidy)
Taj Speights 1 1404 (JaVale Brown)	Jack Stehlin 1 0307 (Navy Cmdr. Harry Wilder)
Scott Speiser 1 1218 (HSI Special Agent Rafi Ali)	Eric Steinberg 1 0308 (Marcos Siazon)
Nefetari Spencer 1 1302 (Realtor)	Zak Steiner 1 1707 (Richard Devol)
Payton Spencer 2 0402 (Emily Fornell); 0424 (Emily Fornell)	Joel Steingold 1 2210 (Officer Frank Mandel)
Natalie Denise Sperl 1 0601 (Milaana Shishani)	Nicole Steinwedell 1 1108 (Olivia Chandler)
Sarah Spiegel 1 0402 (Young Woman)	Alana Stelling 1 0214 (P.O. Walker)
Jason Spisak 1 0715 (Aaron Szwed)	Alex Stemkovsky 1 1305 (Bodyguard)
Angela Sprinkle 1 1623 (Mary)	Brian Stepanek 1 1801 (Karl Chunk / Homeless Guy / Arda Dogan)
Rainey Spurlock 1 1707 (Harper)	Heather Stephens 1 1001 (Lorraine)
Rebecca Staab 1 0206 (Greta Boyen)	Richie Stephens 1 1814 (Edgar Proust)
Kelly Stables 1 1906 (Astrid Fellowes)	Rome Stephens 1 1910 (Afghan MP#1)
Patrick Stafford 1 0921 (Billy Wayne)	Bob Stephenson 1 1416 (Kevin Lane)
Noah Staggs 1 2002 (Kingston Reinhardt)	Bill Stevenson 1 0611 (Hector)
Josh Stamberg 1 0515 (Marine Major Ike Varnai)	Cameron Deane Stewart 1 1208 (Ben Koss)
Darby Stanchfield 6 0323 (Shannon Gibbs); 0324 (Shannon Gibbs); 0507 (Shannon Gibbs); 0908 (Shannon Gibbs); 0914 (Shannon Gibbs); 1223 (Shannon Gibbs)	Coy Stewart 1 1407 (Brandon Conway)
Ian Stanley 1 2017 (Robert Whitlock)	French Stewart 2 1417 (Paul Tripp); 1515 (Paul Triff)
Christopher Stapleton 1 0214 (Lt. Wade)	Mark Allan Stewart 1 0605 (Stefano Delmar)
	Mark Allen Stewart 1 0720 (Stefano Delman)
	Peggy Stewart 1 0607 (Elderly Lady)
	Riley Thomas Stewart 1 0915 (Fred Miller)
	Alexis Stier 1 1504 (Farrah)
	Megan Stier 1 1504 (Sarah)
	Tanner Stine 1 1214 (Young Anthony DiNozo)
	Galadriel Stineman 1 1914 (Resident Sierra Krueger)
	Benjamin Stockham 1 1322 (Henry Marshall)
	Maya Stojan 1 1314 (Meredith Ragen)
	Corey Stoll 2 0411 (Martin Quinn); 0414 (Martin Quinn)

Skyler Stone..... 1	Joe Tabbanella..... 1
1919 (Uncle Stan)	0205 (Rickey Napalitano)
Steven Stone..... 1	Noble Tabibian..... 1
1514 (Dominic Malecki)	1018 (Middle Eastern Boy 1)
Stuart Stone..... 1	Tony Taboada..... 1
0121 (Dillon)	1621 (Security Guard)
Eric Stonestreet..... 1	JB Tadena..... 2
0611 (Harvey Ames)	1712 (Lonnie Franklin); 1714 (Navy Combat Infor-
Ray Stoney..... 1	mation Center Officer Lonnie Franklin)
1506 (Ben Golden)	Merik Tadros..... 5
Winston Story..... 1	0601 (Michael Rivkin); 0622 (Michael Rivkin); 0623
1313 (Manny)	(Michael Rivkin); 0624 (Michael Rivkin); 0625
Sarah Stouffer..... 1	(Michael Rivkin)
1813 (Hanna Devereaux)	Faran Tahir..... 1
Austin Stout..... 1	0100 (Amad Bin Atwa)
0313 (Tim)	Oleg Taktarov..... 2
Deborah Strang..... 1	0518 (Viggo Drantsev); 0519 (Viggo Drantsev)
1920 (Diane Warner)	Amir Talai..... 1
Sadie Stratton..... 1	0123 (Simi)
2011 (Renee Watts)	Marilee Talkington..... 1
W.K. Stratton..... 1	1520 (Annie Barth)
0100 (Cmdr. Teddy Lindsey)	Steve Talley..... 1
Cyd Strittmatter..... 1	0720 (Bill)
0512 (Joanne Wright)	Eva Tamargo..... 1
Joey Stromberg..... 1	0614 (Adrianna Lopez)
1510 (Marine Corporal Gig Girard)	AJ Tannen..... 1
Ken Strunk..... 1	0301 (Mossad Agent)
0210 (Gas Station Owner)	Nick E Tarabay..... 1
George Stumpf..... 1	0623 (Haziq Khaleel)
0109 (Crew Chief)	Bianca Berry Tarantino..... 1
Scott Subiono..... 1	1621 (Jennifer Larson (Age 7))
1410 (Louis Lancaster)	Glenn Taranto..... 1
Sterling Sulieman..... 1	1203 (Eddie Kowolski)
0723 (NCIS Special Agent Emil Mineoux)	Barbara Tarbuck..... 1
Cody Sullivan..... 1	0118 (Grandma)
1222 (Bradley Simek)	Chris Tardio..... 1
David Sullivan..... 1	0417 (Former Marine PFC Kenneth Dixon)
0803 (NCIS Special Agent Larry Krone)	Ryan Tasz..... 1
Larry Sullivan..... 1	0117 (Gordon)
0106 (Flight Surgeon)	Fred Tate..... 1
Tehima Sunny..... 1	0414 (Charles Harrow)
0706 (Leyla Shakarji)	Faruq Tauheed..... 1
Tehmina Sunny..... 2	0916 (Derek)
0824 (Leyla Shakarji); 1104 (Leyla Shakarji)	Chelsea Tavares..... 1
Sonny Surowiec..... 1	1718 (Ramona Whistler)
0308 (C.K. Cord)	Alec Taylor..... 1
Aidan Sussman..... 1	1615 (Navy Sailor)
0813 (Jacob Wooten)	Elayn J. Taylor..... 4
Nathan Sutton..... 1	1619 (Odette Malone); 1701 (Odette Malone); 1710
1512 (Barry Goode)	(Odette Malone); 1816 (Odette Malone)
Christian Svensson..... 1	Jennifer Taylor..... 1
0506 (Pirate #1)	1223 (Wendy Harris)
Dante Swain..... 1	Mark L. Taylor..... 1
1306 (Navy Petty Officer Second Class Adam Mey-	2018 (Dr. Harvey Kimball)
ers)	Rita Angel Taylor..... 1
Emily Swallow..... 1	2101 (Young Lucia Torres)
0709 (Darlene Kelp)	Stephen Taylor..... 1
Michael Swan..... 1	1124 (Wayne 'the Snail' Levinson)
0607 (Ray Vittorio)	Tamara Taylor..... 2
Don Swayze..... 2	0222 (NCIS Special Agent Cassie Yates); 0322 (NCIS
0203 (Logan Clay); 1908 (Peter Walker)	Special Agent Cassie Yates)
Pepper Sweeney..... 1	Vivienne Taylor..... 1
0324 (TBA)	1510 (Lily Dent)
Warren Sweeney..... 1	Zeus Taylor..... 1
2011 (Priest)	1906 (Petty Officer 3rd Class Kyle Seward)
Lauren Sweetser..... 1	Erica Tazel..... 1
1611 (Macy Grant)	1222 (Basketball Coach)
Kevin Symons..... 1	Nell Teare..... 1
0713 (Federal Air Marshal Art Neely)	1102 (Young Woman)
	Annie Tedesco..... 1
	1308 (Guest Star)

Paul Telfer	3	Ramsey Thoms	1
0510 (Marine Corporal Damon Worth); 0706 (Marine Corporal Damon Werth); 0715 (Marine Corporal Damon Werth)		2209 (Marine Lance Corporal Evan Cross)	
Nondumiso Tembe	1	Cassi Thomson	1
1004 (Navy Petty Officer First Class Josie Sparks)		1609 (Angie Gray)	
Lisandra Tena	1	Cooper Thornton	1
1910 (M. Santiago)		1019 (Navy Captain Peter Vandevere)	
Adria Tennor	1	Michael Patrick Thornton	1
1323 (Guest Star)		2014 (Jeremy Brighton)	
Michael Grant Terry	1	Renée Threatte	1
1018 (Marine Sergeant Ted Lemere)		2018 (Adriana Broussard)	
Nikita Teterev	1	T.J. Thyne	3
2218 (Armed Men Leader)		0113 (Carl); 2107 (Fletcher Voss); 2213 (Fletcher Voss)	
Cheryl Texiera	1	Rachel Ticotin	1
1501 (Jezebel)		2011 (Joy Aaronson)	
Andrew Thacher	1	Eric Tiede	1
0801 (Sergeant Paul Westgard)		0716 (Neil)	
Jossie Thacker	1	Angelo Tiffe	1
1001 (Nurse Wanda Dupree)		1409 (Jed Hamilton)	
John Thaddeus	1	Kenneth Tigar	1
0210 (Lane Danielson)		0110 (Diggar Aldridge)	
Rayna Tharani	1	Gabriel Tigerman	1
0803 (Mary Roberts)		1111 (Max Comey)	
Brynn Thayer	1	Jennifer Tighe	1
1715 (Sheriff Mary Talbot)		0109 (Lisa Peary)	
Iqbal Theba	1	Terrell Tilford	1
0912 (Ramesh Sengupta)		0821 (Navy Captain Jack Painter)	
Dan Thiel	1	Katherine Von Till	1
1219 (Seal Team Commander Joe Hankos)		1611 (Pamela Juventas)	
Shandra Thigpen	1	Richard Tillman	1
0424 (Nurse Annie Hayes)		0718 (Marine Sergeant Davis Carter)	
Bruce Thomas	1	Rebecca Tilney	1
1315 (Richard Porter)		0819 (Madeline Dumont)	
Ella Thomas	1	Barton Tinapp	1
0516 (Heidi)		0115 (Man)	
Jake Thomas	2	Zach Tinker	1
1005 (Alec Dell); 2104 (Petty Officer Derek Bailey)		1603 (David West)	
Joe Martin Thomas	1	Amy Tipton	2
1011 (Navy Petty Officer Third Class Dion Kelso)		0218 (Liza Taylor); 0220 (Liza Taylor)	
Owen Thomas	1	Noa Tishby	1
0601 (Brian Duane Roberts)		0701 (DEA Agent Claire Connell)	
Robin Thomas	1	Hrach Titizian	1
0505 (Dr. Neil Fleming)		0108 (Tariq Abassi)	
Ross Thomas	1	Rodney To	1
0905 (Coast Guard Petty Officer Third Class Kyle Sterling)		1506 (Doctor Steven Cho)	
Sean Patrick Thomas	1	Chad Todhunter	1
1615 (Ian Rackham)		0615 (Pete Lewis)	
Tamara Craig Thomas	1	Jackie Tohn	1
0218 (Lisa Kerr)		2201 (Counselor Celia Ross)	
Brian Thompson	1	Michael Toland	1
0117 (Master Chief Vince Nutter)		0614 (Navy Captain Thomas Jennings)	
Scottie Thompson	18	David Tom	1
0407 (Jeanne Benoit); 0408 (Jeanne Benoit); 0409 (Jeanne Benoit); 0410 (Jeanne Benoit); 0411 (Jeanne Benoit); 0412 (Jeanne Benoit); 0413 (Jeanne Benoit); 0415 (Jeanne Benoit); 0418 (Jeanne Benoit); 0419 (Jeanne Benoit); 0421 (Jeanne Benoit); 0422 (Jeanne Benoit); 0423 (Jeanne Benoit); 0424 (Jeanne Benoit); 0501 (Jeanne Benoit); 0514 (Jeanne Benoit); 1308 (Jeanne Benoit); 1316 (Jeanne Benoit)		1305 (Maple)	
Susanna Thompson	8	Fred Toma	1
0407 (Army Lt. Col. Hollis Mann); 0413 (Army Lt. Col. Hollis Mann); 0417 (Army Lt. Hollis Mann); 0419 (Army Lt. Col. Hollis Mann); 0422 (Army Lt. Col. Hollis Mann); 0503 (Army Lt. Col. Hollis Mann); 1112 (Army Lt. Col. Hollis Mann); 1213 (Army Lt. Col. Hollis Mann)		0511 (Sunni Man)	
		Tamlyn Tomita	1
		0100 (Lt. Cmdr. Tracy Manetti)	
		Lily Tomlin	1
		0903 (Penelope Langston)	
		Darin Toonder	1
		1404 (Curt Shapiro)	
		Ben Toplin	1
		0810 (Navy Petty Officer Jerry Neisler)	
		Nick Toren	1
		1307 (Dwight's Father)	
		Erin Torpey	1
		0416 (Holly Stegman)	
		Oscar Torre	1
		0618 (Xavier Rios)	
		Emiliano Torres	1
		0623 (Hood #1)	

Ethan Torres 1
 1424 (Enrique)

Joe Torry 1
 0103 (Darryl Wilkins)

Trevor Torseth..... 1
 1009 (Al Parker)

Mark Totty..... 1
 0507 (Army Major Max Bourdais – Ret)

Shaun Toub..... 1
 0511 (Khalid Mohammed Bakr)

Lorraine Toussaint..... 1
 0815 (Deputy Director Donna Wolfson)

Josh Trant..... 1
 1617 (Chief of the Watch)

Daniel Travis..... 1
 0621 (Drew)

Livia Trevino..... 1
 0713 (Lupe)

Elijah Trichon..... 1
 0702 (Young Howard Shelly)

Judd Trichter 1
 0220 (Hunter Huxley)

Angela Trimbur 1
 1418 (Nicole Trainer)

Connor Trinneer 1
 0322 (James Dempsey)

Alan Trujillo 1
 1224 (Iraqi Civilian)

Alison Trumbull..... 1
 1707 (Karen)

George Tsai..... 1
 2108 (Nurse Keith Johnson)

Adam Tsekhman 2
 1223 (Egyptian G.I.D. Officer Omar Hassan); 1224
 (Egyptian G.I.D. Officer Omar Hassan)

Xolile Tshavalala..... 1
 0508 (Sayda Zuri)

Marcelo Tubert..... 1
 1215 (Guest Star)

Hillary Tuck..... 1
 0903 (Justine Booth)

Brett Tucker..... 1
 0904 (Navy Lieutenant Commander Geoffrey Brett)

Michael Turner Tucker..... 1
 1610 (Jerome Murray)

Inger Tudor..... 1
 0625 (Doctor Sandra Holdren)

Peter Navy Tuiasosopo..... 1
 1015 (Charles "Chucky Bang" Kang)

Tatiana Turan..... 1
 1710 (Supervisor)

Paige Turco..... 1
 1118 (Linda)

Frantz Turner..... 1
 1015 (Abe Mathison)

Karri Turner..... 3
 0100 (Lt. Harriet Sims); 1711 (Micki Kaydar); 1814
 (Micki Kaydar)

Bahni Turpin..... 1
 1803 (Camille West)

Mandy June Turpin..... 1
 0410 (Karen Bright)

Tyson Turrou..... 1
 1416 (Pete)

U

Alanna Ubach..... 2
 1113 (NSA Senior Intelligence Analyst Sofia Mar-
 tinez); 1221 (NSA Senior Intelligence Analyst
 Sofia Martinez)

Chris Ufland..... 1
 2021 (Gus Zawadzki)

Kim Johnston Ulrich..... 1
 0814 (Nancy Hargrove)

Andy Umberger..... 1
 0113 (FBI Agent Freedman)

Ty Upshaw..... 1
 0222 (Security Guard)

Johann Urb..... 2
 1202 (U.S. Park Police Sergeant Burt Moore); 1208
 (U.S. Park Police Sergeant Burt Moore)

Josef Urban..... 1
 1421 (Rosewood Boy)

James Urbaniak..... 1
 0614 (Dr. Rod Daniels)

Vern Ulrich..... 1
 0305 (Nervous Man)

Manuel Uriza..... 1
 1501 (Nicolas Rebollo)

Alicia Urizar..... 1
 1424 (Gabriella)

Sarah Utterback..... 1
 0702 (Elaina Marcus)

Alain Uy..... 1
 1023 (Ray Kessel)

V

Karissa Vacker..... 1
 1705 (Louisa Banner)

Dilshad Vadsaria..... 1
 0623 (Shakira Zayd)

Marc Vahanian..... 1
 0518 (William Decker)

Pej Vahdat..... 2
 1524 (Nigel Hakim); 1601 (Nigel Hakim)

Daya Vaidya..... 1
 0216 (Summer Diamond)

Christian Valderrama..... 1
 1905 (Clubby)

Jeremy Ray Valdez..... 1
 0714 (Alfonso Vega)

Rey Valentin..... 1
 0607 (Dwayne Wilson)

Steve Valentine..... 1
 1002 (Miles Wolf)

Sonny Valicenti..... 2
 2016 (Nate Billings); 2021 (Nate Billings)

Deborah Vancelette..... 1
 2003 (Nurse)

Kiff VandenHeuvel..... 1
 1524 (Sgt. Peter Todd)

Musetta Vander..... 1
 0807 (Julie Merriweather)

Marc Vann..... 1
 0416 (Mark Sadowski)

Michael Varde..... 1
 2212 (Jesse Winston)

Sibila Vargas..... 1
 0904 (ZNN Reporter Samantha Tate)

Randy Vasquez..... 2
 0717 (NCIS Agent Roger Voight); 1220 (ATF Special
 Agent Philip Caffey)

Shea Vaughan-Gabor..... 1
 1616 (Jen)

Ned Vaughn..... 1
 0512 (Navy Capt. Dean Pullman)

Alex Veadov..... 3
 1201 (International Mercenary Sergei Mishnev); 1211
 (International Mercenary Sergei Mishnev); 1215
 (Sergei Mishnev)

Laura P. Vega 1
 0408 (Maria)

Willem Van Der Vegt 1
 1021 (Edward Kraus)

Stephanie Venditto 1
 0418 (Dr. Jane Leisten)

Diane Venora 1
 0706 (Shada Shakarki)

Ian Verdun 1
 1518 (Francis)

Ben Vereen 1
 1111 (Lamar Addison)

Corie Vickers 1
 0423 (NCIS Special Agent Lynn Davis)

John Vickery 1
 0505 (Interpol Inspector Hugh Benson)

Selah Victor 1
 2102 (Susan)

Noree Victoria 1
 1009 (Female Guest)

Ludo Vika 1
 1424 (Sister Lucita)

Miles Gaston Villanueva 1
 1121 (Navy Lieutenant Junior Grade John Alexander)

Michael Villar 1
 1412 (Burly Diner Customer)

Troy Vincent 1
 1903 (Lawyer)

Paul Vinson 1
 0108 (Biker)

Sharni Vinson 1
 0613 (Jeannette)

Tom Virtue 1
 0918 (Frank Satner)

Brenda Vivian 2
 1102 (Waitress); 1103 (NCIS Special Agent Eugene Coyle)

Ilia Volok 2
 1312 (Burly Man); 2022 (Kostya Valkov)

Arnold Vosloo 3
 0625 (Mossad Officer Amit Hadar); 0808 (Mossad Officer Amit Hadar); 0809 (Mossad Officer Amit Hadar)

Gloria Votsis 1
 0302 (Dana)

Dylan Vox 1
 1703 (Lou Jinks)

W

Scott Waara 1
 1103 (Mel Frazier)

Jonathan Wade-Drahos 1
 0105 (Lt. Greg Pallini)

Brian Wade 1
 0102 (Marine Lance Corporal)

Brian Patrick Wade 1
 0705 (Marine Private David Singer)

Conisha Wade 1
 2013 (Movie Director)

Geoffrey Wade 1
 1014 (Air Force Brigadier General Jack Mandrake)

Henderson Wade 1
 1314 (Sam Harper)

Mike Wade 1
 1404 (Navy Petty Officer First Class Tyrell Brown)

Lindsay Wagner 1
 1310 (Barbara Bishop)

Robert Wagner 13
 0712 (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.); 0807 (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.); 0910 (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.); 1010 (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.); 1116 (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.); 1217 (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.); 1220 (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.); 1319 (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.); 1324 (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.); 1407 (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.); 1414 (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.); 1518 (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.); 1616 (Anthony DiNozzo Sr.)

Becky Wahlstrom 1
 0909 (FET Marine Staff Sergeant Catherine Littleton)

Ralph Waite 6
 0604 (Jackson Gibbs); 0710 (Jackson Gibbs); 0801 (Jackson Gibbs); 0914 (Jackson Gibbs); 1005 (Jackson Gibbs); 1107 (Jackson Gibbs)

Andy Walken 1
 1311 (Young Nicholas Mallard)

Haley Brooke Walker 1
 2018 (Mila)

Jimmy Walker Jr. 1
 2016 (Former Sgt. William Jolson)

Tommy Walker 1
 1617 (PO 1st Class Justin Hardy)

Basil Wallace 1
 0508 (Delphin Abaka)

Dee Wallace 1
 1605 (Claire Hall)

Nayo Wallace 1
 1418 (Doctor)

Everette Wallin 1
 1116 (Navy Commander Lionel Saxon)

Laith Wallschleger 1
 2003 (Erik Nilsson)

Amanda Walsh 1
 1003 (Ellen Roberts)

Gabrielle Walsh 1
 1802 (Michelle Stamos)

Lucy Walsh 1
 1211 (Alice)

Jessica Walter 2
 1307 (Judith McKnight); 1414 (Judith McKnight)

Susan Walters 1
 1523 (Marcy Brooks)

Stephanie Y. Wang 1
 1405 (Lt. Emily Shaw)

Marla Aaron Wapner 1
 1322 (DC Tourist)

Hilary Ward 3
 1507 (Jessica Shaeffer); 1514 (Jessica Shaeffer); 1515 (Jessica Shaeffer)

James Harvey Ward 1
 0922 (Andre Fullerton)

Jared Ward 1
 1101 (JSOC Navy Lieutenant Eric Kagen)

Mateus Ward 1
 1011 (Austin)

Megan Ward 1
 0209 (Laura Rowens)

Vincent Ward 1
 0816 (Cop)

Vincent M. Ward 1
 2214 (Sal)

Zack Ward 1
 0221 (Police Officer Billy Krieg)

Todd Waring 1
 1909 (Albert James 'Jamie' Beck)

Dan Warner 1
 0210 (Federal Marshal)

Nick Warnock 1	Ginny Weirick 1
0201 (Marine Staff Sgt.)	0714 (Lynne)
Gomez Warren 1	Morgan Weisser 1
0311 (AV Tech)	0213 (Vincent Hanlan)
Darren Dupree Washington 1	Norbert Weisser 1
1521 (Security Guard)	0110 (Dr. Rutger)
Linara Washington 2	Cliff Weissman 1
1018 (Lara Morgan); 1202 (Lara Morgan)	0719 (Nicolas Everett)
Shamori Washington 1	Michael Welch 1
1521 (Theo Carter)	0318 (Kody Meyers)
Alain Ali Washnevsky 1	Titus Welliver 1
1711 (Jamal Antar)	0505 (Navy Capt. Roger Walsh)
Audrey Wasilewski 1	Jon Wellner 1
0201 (Shirley Wilkes)	0220 (Simon Frankel)
Drew Waters 1	Jeremy John Wells 1
1119 (Spencer Hanlon)	2107 (Agent William Baer Jr.)
Myk Watford 1	Rob Welsh 1
0503 (Army Major Eric Sweigart)	2002 (Julian Reinhardt)
Cameron Watson 1	Craig Welzbacher 2
1011 (Randy)	0212 (George Mansur); 2218 (Motel Guest)
Muse Watson 21	Annie Wersching 1
0323 (NIS Agent Mike Franks); 0324 (NIS Agent Mike Franks); 0401 (Mike Franks); 0404 (Mike Franks); 0418 (Mike Franks); 0518 (Mike Franks); 0519 (Mike Franks); 0615 (Mike Franks); 0706 (Mike Franks); 0801 (Mike Franks); 0823 (Mike Franks); 0824 (Mike Franks); 0914 (Mike Franks); 1024 (Mike Franks); 1104 (Mike Franks); 1118 (Mike Franks); 1210 (Mike Franks); 1223 (Mike Franks); 1301 (Mike Franks); 1508 (Mike Franks); 1522 (Mike Franks (archive footage))	0810 (Deputy D.A. Gail Walsh)
Susan Kelechi Watson 3	John Wesley 1
0505 (NCIS Intel Analyst Nikki Jardine); 0512 (NCIS Intel Analyst Nikki Jardine); 0515 (NCIS Intel Analyst Nikki Jardine)	1610 (Chaplain Samuel Kemp)
Vernee Watson 1	Caryn West 1
1402 (Miss Helen Frimkes)	1107 (DCS Department Head Karen Fox)
Virginia Watson 1	Kevin West 1
0717 (Nurse Ruth Corruthers)	0324 (Mario)
Randy Wayne 1	Erinn Westbrook 1
0309 (Grant Bridges)	1309 (Hanna Friedgen)
Michael Weatherly 2	Terryn Westbrook 1
1522 (Anthony DiNozzo (archive footage)); 2102 (Tony DiNozzo)	1901 (County Deputy Regina Unger)
Blayne Weaver 1	Stoney Westmoreland 1
0202 (P.O. Darell Baum)	0704 (Larry Diamond)
Michael Weaver 1	Michael Weston 1
0211 (Thomas McAllister)	2001 (Herman Maxwell)
Blake Webb 1	Nathan Wetherington 1
1510 (Chandler Phillips)	0208 (Ensign Evan Hayes)
Kal Weber 1	Jennifer Lynne Wetzel 1
0807 (Theo Gaston)	0411 (Navy Lt. Roni Seabrook)
Chris Webster 1	Merritt Wever 1
2220 (Randall Clark)	0305 (Wendy Smith)
Derek Webster 2	Carole Weyers 1
0120 (Major Joe Sacco); 0405 (Marine Capt. Sten- gel)	1202 (Trish Wallace)
Maurice Webster 1	Frank Whaley 1
2101 (Bartender)	0210 (Jeffery White)
Paul Webster 1	Michael Whaley 1
0307 (Lt. Cmdr. Alex Tanner)	0415 (Detective J.D. Morris)
Victor Webster 1	Julia Whelan 1
0413 (Dane Hogan)	1415 (Greta Fensternacht)
Alex Weed 1	Joseph Whipp 1
0117 (Johnny)	1121 (Old Man)
Casey Weiant 1	Bernard White 1
0309 (Mina Campbell)	0613 (Afghani Ambassador Qasim Saydia)
Raychel Diane Weiner 1	Bradley White 1
1420 (Reese Goldman)	0306 (Bart Powell)
Zack Weinstein 1	Cheryl White 1
0803 (Judd Dempsey)	0406 (Rebecca Biddle)
	Gillian White 1
	2008 (Navy Rear Admiral Martha Stock)
	Jaleel White 1
	0913 (Martin Thomas)
	Luke White 1
	1019 (EMT)
	Sarah Grace White 1
	1808 (Samantha Watkins)
	Richard F. Whiten 1
	0305 (Police Lt. Jody Hampton)
	Aliyah Whitmore 1
	0909 (Soraya Zoranj)

Sewell Whitney..... 1	Cassius Willis..... 1
1311 (Nicholas Mallard(II))	0924 (NCIS Special Agent Russell Wallace)
Ricky Whittle..... 1	Delpaneaux Wills..... 1
1016 (Lincoln)	1419 (Corporal Beck)
Emily Wickersham..... 1	Dana L. Wilson..... 1
1111 (NSA Agent Ellie Bishop)	1704 (Dr. Erica Bell)
John Wickersham..... 1	Guy Wilson..... 1
0624 (ICE Agent Thomas Sherman)	0812 (Paul Simmons)
Christopher Wiehl..... 1	Indira G. Wilson..... 2
1412 (Ramsay Whitman)	1210 (FBI Agent P. Filskj); 2103 (CIA Deputy Director Westin)
Carrie Wiita..... 1	Jeni C. Wilson..... 1
0906 (Lana)	0104 (Lisa)
Dean Wil..... 1	Marc D. Wilson..... 1
2014 (Francis)	0207 (M.P. Jenkins)
Carlton Wilborn..... 1	Thomas F. Wilson..... 1
1113 (Marine Master Sergeant Charles Garrett)	1803 (Angus Demint)
Shannon Wilcox..... 1	Kim Wimmer..... 1
0904 (Mrs. Roach)	0112 (Darlene)
Valerie Wildman..... 1	Troy Winbush..... 1
1016 (Valerie Kordish)	0819 (Former Marine 1st Lieutenant Sam Keeler)
Jason Wiles..... 2	Jeffrey Wincott..... 1
1902 (Tom Samuels); 1903 (Paul LeMere)	0220 (Marine Gunnery Sgt. Leeka)
Michael Shamus Wiles..... 1	Brad Lee Wind..... 1
0108 (Jimmy the Bartender)	1320 (Metro PD Sgt. John Dunn)
Erin LeShawn Wiley..... 1	Matt Winston..... 1
0121 (Corporal McClain)	0405 (Rick Carvell)
Kevin Will..... 1	Katia Winter..... 1
0703 (Will Sutton)	0917 (Ava Baransky)
Chad Willett..... 1	Scott William Winters..... 4
0212 (Det. Monteleone)	1606 (Westley Clark); 1618 (Westley Clark); 1621 (Westley Clark); 1622 (Westley Clark)
Billy "Sly" Williams..... 1	Time Winters..... 1
1309 (Cheech)	1622 (Scholarly Man 2)
Billy Dee Williams..... 2	Eric Winzenried..... 1
1005 (Leroy Jethro Moore); 1124 (Leroy Jethro Moore)	1708 (Andrew Hopper)
Cesili Williams..... 1	Beau Wirick..... 1
1211 (Vera)	1201 (Navy Lt. Joseph Hagen)
Charlotte Evelyn Williams..... 1	Robert Wisdom..... 1
1619 (Nurse #1)	0612 (Warden Gene Halsey)
Eltony Williams..... 1	Jodi Bianca Wise..... 1
1108 (Marine Gunnery Sergeant Cal Groves)	0103 (Jenny)
Jeff Williams..... 1	Ray Wise..... 1
0914 (Doctor)	0915 (Wayne Tobett)
JoBeth Williams..... 1	Michael Wiseman..... 1
0817 (Leona Phelps)	1018 (Chet Tyber)
Johnny Williams..... 2	Rebecca Wisocky..... 1
1712 (Carmen Lorenzo); 1714 (Carmen Lorenzo)	0405 (Jody Carvell)
Kelli Williams..... 1	Kristin Witt..... 1
1121 (NCIS Special Agent Maureen Cabot)	1913 (Soccer Mom)
Max E. Williams..... 1	Julie Wittner..... 1
1316 (Louis Shekian)	0817 (Female Inmate)
Nika Williams..... 1	Sam Witwer..... 1
0822 (Sapphire)	0121 (S Sgt. Rafael)
Virginia Williams..... 2	Jeff Witzke..... 1
1317 (Leah Ramsey); 1320 (Leah Ramsey)	0518 (Attendant)
Wade Williams..... 1	Scott Wolf..... 3
1103 (Larry Purcell)	0901 (FBI Agent Casey Stratton); 0912 (Casey Stratton); 0924 (Jonathan Cole)
Webster Williams..... 2	Mike Wolfe..... 2
0424 (Colonel Jasper Shepard); 0501 (Col. Jasper Shepard)	1517 (Himself); 1517 (Mike Wolfe)
Zachary S. Williams..... 1	Tyler Wolfe..... 1
2009 (Logan Kennedy)	1103 (Navy LTJG Terence Keith)
Joseph Williamson..... 1	Michelle Wolff..... 1
0723 (Navy Seaman George Capetanos)	0423 (Marine Srgt. Maria Sanchez)
Scott Williamson..... 1	Patrick Wolff..... 1
0303 (Virginia Governor Charles Norin)	0623 (Hood #2)
Matthew Willig..... 4	Kirk B.R. Woller..... 1
0821 (NCIS Special Agent Simon Cade); 0823 (NCIS Special Agent Simon Cade); 0824 (NCIS Special Agent Simon Cade); 0901 (NCIS Special Agent Simon Cade)	0114 (Lt. Commander Julius)
	Anthony Brandon Wong..... 1
	0602 (Navy Captain Doctor Russell Nguyen)

Cameron Wong 1
 2015 (Tyler)

Russell Wong 1
 2105 (Special Agent in Charge Feng Zhao)

Walter Wong 1
 0506 (Civilian Crewman #2)

Christopher T. Wood 1
 1417 (Congressman Stephen Shaw)

Miles Wood 1
 1309 (Detective J. Green)

Terry Woodberry 1
 0821 (Bates)

Christine Woods 1
 0614 (Rebecca Jennings)

D. Elliot Woods 1
 0822 (Detective)

Jason Woods 1
 1705 (Marine First Lieutenant Rick Romero)

John T. Woods 1
 0804 (Navy Chief Petty Officer Jason Crosby)

Jonathan M. Woodward 1
 0408 (Andy Nelson)

Peter Woodward 1
 0715 (David Devoiser)

Wendy Worthington 1
 1801 (Gila Shaw)

Rick Worthy 1
 1004 (Navy Captain Logan Doyle)

Alexander Wraith 1
 1104 (Farshad Sarabi)

Aloma Wright 1
 0323 (Nurse Ethel Washington)

Elizabeth Wright 1
 0802 (Sarah Knox)

Karl T. Wright 1
 1208 (John Hicks)

Tom Wright (I) 1
 0303 (Warden Sam Kelleher)

Leonard Wu 1
 0707 (Navy Midshipman Alex Delapena)

Ping Wu 1
 1616 (Peter Liu)

Teri Wyble 1
 1615 (Kendra Allston)

Mary Wyckliffe 1
 0208 (Nurse Dooley)

Adam Wylie 1
 0117 (Darin Spotnitz)

George Wyner 1
 1303 (Guest Star)

John Wynn 1
 0720 (Ted)

Jacobi Wynne 1
 0120 (uncredited)

X

Jona Xiao 1
 2105 (Dr. Mei Li)

Y

Kurt Yaeger 1
 1115 (Freddie Linn)

Missy Yager 1
 0209 (Michelle Davison)

Anne Judson Yagher 1
 0221 (Emmy Pole)

Mathew Yanagiya 1
 2108 (Resident Ryan Cross)

Schuyler Yancey 1
 0502 (P.O. Christopher Munoz)

Randall Yarbrough 1
 1322 (Micky Doyle)

Ashlynn Yennie 1
 1311 (Daughter)

Gwendoline Yeo 1
 1518 (NCIS Special Agent Joanna Wright)

Tom Yi 1
 1907 (Harold)

Kathleen York 1
 0503 (Stephanie Flynn)

Bellamy Young 1
 0121 (ATF Agent Melinda Stone)

Craig Robert Young 1
 1420 (Ian Lipovetskiy)

Keone Young 1
 0314 (Yoon Dawson)

Vincent Young 1
 0321 (Mikel Mawher)

William Allen Young 2
 0624 (FBI Director Barry Hutchins); 1811 (U.S. Secretary of Defense Moses McClaine)

Bo Youngblood 1
 1502 (Janis)

Davee Youngblood 1
 1913 (Unknown Man)

Nancy Youngblut 1
 2012 (Joanna "Mama Jo" Dalton)

Eyas Younis 1
 1708 (Senior Chief Musician Neil Farzad)

Kelvin Yu 1
 1107 (Sebastian Kim)

Z

Daniel Zacapa 1
 2211 (Detective Martin Alonzo)

Jacob Zachar 1
 1616 (Stevie Slater)

Necar Zadegan 1
 0412 (Marine Lt. Rihama Shaheen)

Roxana Zal 1
 0118 (Mrs. Foley)

Ruth Zalduondo 1
 0318 (Angela Meyers)

Del Zamora 1
 1916 (Sergio Morales)

Tim de Zarn 1
 0215 (David Runion)

Adam Zastrow 1
 1713 (Ronald Kepczak)

Oleg Zatsepin 1
 0205 (Sal Balducci)

Alicia Ziegler 1
 0821 (Marine Corporal Jameson)

Paul Zies 1
 2203 (Big Bark)

Ben Ziff 1
 0208 (Jonathan)

Yvonne Zima 1
 2211 (Lana)

Joseph Zinsman 1
 1123 (Amir Askari)

Dan Ziskie 1
 0219 (Captain Vetter)

Greg Zola 1
 0111 (Worth)

Daniel Zolghadri 3
 1223 (Luke Harris); 1224 (Luke Harris); 1301 (Luke Harris)

Daphne Zuniga..... 1
 1715 (Stacy Gordon)

Jose Zuniga 1
 0510 (Navy Capt. Dr. Adrian De La Casa)