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Former CNO Kelso leaves legacy of service

WASHINGTON (NNS) -- Adm. Frank Kelso II, 79, former Chief of Naval Operations (CNO), died Sunday, June 23, 2013, following injuries sustained from a fall earlier in the week.

Kelso, a native of Fayetteville, Tenn., served as Chief of Naval Operations from June 29, 1990 until April 23, 1994. As the Chief of Naval Operations and throughout his career as a naval officer, Kelso was renowned for his intelligence, integrity and upstanding character.

"Adm. Kelso was a submariner, an accomplished commander, and an unmatched leader known for his intelligence and integrity. The thoughts of the 900,000 Sailors, Marines and civilians who make up the Department of the Navy go out to our fallen shipmate and his family. Semper Fortis," said Secretary of the Navy (SECNAV) Ray Mabus.

"Adm. Frank Kelso's bold leadership and innova-



Adm. Frank Kelso II

tive thinking guided the Navy through times of war and significant draw-down at the end of the Cold War. The ability to cut against the grain and find new and creative solutions for the Navy are what set Admiral Kelso apart from his peers. It was his strength of character and sure-fire integrity that ensured his success as a former CNO and to a higher degree solidified the formidable legacy of a great life that Admiral Frank Kelso leaves behind. It was an honor to have served with him and we are a better Navy due to his leadership and faithful commitment to our Sailors, civilians and their families," said Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Jonathan W. Greenert.

Kelso eventually returned to live in Fayetteville, Tenn., in 2003, a decade after retiring from the Navy.

He was the third of three submariners in a row who served as CNO in in the 1980s and '90s. As CNO he led the
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NASWF holds sexual assault prevention training



Naval Air Station Whiting Field Sailors listen to Commanding Officer Capt. Matthew Coughlin as he presents training to help prevent sexual assaults in the Navy and at the base. The training was mandated as part of a comprehensive Department of Defense effort to eliminate sexual assault in the military ranks. U.S. Navy photo by Ensign Emily Hegarty.

By Ensign Emily Hegarty, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

Naval Air Station Whiting Field hosted multiple Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) trainings for all NASWF personnel Thursday, June 20 at various locations throughout the day in compliance with Commander Navy Installations Command (CNIC) guidance. All Navy bases are required to execute a SAPR stand-down by July 1.

Following a Navy-mandated curriculum, SAPR stand-down was lead by the commanding officer, executive officer, and command master chief, and focused on discussing command climate and defining what sexual assault, harassment, and sexism are and how to identify them.

The SAPR stand-down is not the Navy's first attempt to increase awareness of prevention efforts aimed at combating sexual assaults in the armed forces. Recent SAPR training included April's SAPR-F and SAPR-L training, as well as No Zebra training in May. SAPR F, or "Fleet" training, was designed for first class petty officers and below, and

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CNIC to reduce civilian employees on shore installations

From Commander, Navy Installations Command

Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC) announced today a plan to conduct a Reduction in Force (RIF) action in fiscal year 2013 that will be completed in 2014. Over the course of the next seven months, CNIC will eliminate 745 civilian positions throughout its shore enterprise in seven Navy Regions across 20 states, the District of Columbia, the Island of Guam, and in the countries of Italy, Greece and Cuba.

The actual total number of people directly impacted by this RIF action will be determined once other workforce shaping measures such as Voluntary Separation Incentive Payments, Voluntary Early Retirement Authority and placement into current vacancies have been completed.

CNIC, along with other Navy commands, has experienced reduced budgets and must implement cost-saving measures across the entire force.

"This action is not taken lightly, but is part of a conscious, risk-based approach to future Shore capabilities that



are aligned with the Navy Mission," said Vice. Adm. William French, CNIC. "I am committed to ensuring that we do all we can to assist those people directly impacted by this action by providing them access to all tools available under Reduction in Force rules and assisting them with finding future employment."

Career transition services for the employees affected by the RIF action will vary depending on their needs, but services available will include skills assessment, resume and cover letter preparation, networking and interviewing

techniques, counseling, job search assistance, and retraining, if necessary.

Reducing these positions may have marginal impacts on the services CNIC has provided in the past. However, it will not have any direct impacts to CNIC's capability to support the mission of providing service to the Fleet, Fighter, and Family.

For more information on CNIC, visit our website at www.cnic.navy.mil.

TRICARE Notes

TRICARE DENTAL PROGRAM BENEFIT FOR PREGNANT WOMEN

To raise awareness about the importance of oral health during pregnancy, MetLife has enhanced the TRICARE Dental Program (TDP) benefit, allowing pregnant women to have three routine dental cleaning in a consecutive 12-month period at no cost, rather than the normal two cleanings. TDP enrollees should speak with their dentist to ensure that pregnancy is noted clearly on the claim submission document. Visit www.mybenefits.metlife.com/tricare to learn more about TDP, access benefit information, dental coverage, MetLife's Oral Health Library and many other great features.

TRICARE RAISES LEVEL OF CORPORATE CONNECTIVITY

The new corporate portal at www.tricare.mil was previously separated into three different portals for staff, providers and contractors, but many users of the three sites needed overlapping information. Those three portals are now recognized under the TRICARE Management Activity (TMA) corporate portal at www.tricare.mil

This Week in Naval History

June 24

1833 - USS Constitution enters drydock at Charlestown Navy Yard, Boston for overhaul. The ship was saved from scrapping after public support rallied to save the ship following publication of Oliver Wendell Holmes' poem, "Old Ironsides."

1926 - Office of Assistant Secretary of the Navy set up to foster naval aeronautics; aircraft building increased.

1948 - Berlin airlift initiated to offset the Soviet Union's blockade access of United States, France, and Great Britain to their sectors of Berlin.

June 25

1917 - Navy convoy of troopships carrying American Expeditionary Forces arrives in France.

1950 - North Korea invades South Korea beginning Korean Conflict.

June 26

1884 - Congress authorizes commissioning of Naval Academy graduates as Ensigns.

1918 - Marine brigade captures Belleau Wood.

1959 - Twenty-eight naval vessels sail from Atlantic to Great Lakes, marking the formal opening of Saint Lawrence Seaway to seagoing ships

http://www.navy.mil/search/display_history.asp

News and Notes

There is an App for That - Commander, Navy Installations Command Family Emergency Response Team and the CNIC Marketing and Multimedia Development Branch have designed a new Navy Family Accountability and Assessment System (NFAAS) app for iPhones. It is a free disaster readiness based App for Sailors and their families that is streamlined, easy to use and covers all that is needed to be prepared for a disaster. To access the NFAAS application, go to <https://navyfamily.navy.mil> from your I-phone.

There is an App for That Too - In 2011 OPM made an Apple iOS application (app) available to the public to enable users to search for and save job opportunity announcements. There were many requests from that time forward for OPM to provide an Android version. As of this week, a new Android app was launched. To download the application for Android: Go to Google Play application and search for USAJOBS. Select it and then press install. To download the application for Apple: Go to the App Store application (<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/iusajobs/id386297670?mt=8>) or search for USAJOBS. Select it and then press install.

DEFY - The Drug Education for Youth (DEFY) program is seeking sailors who would like to be a part of helping youths resist the pull of drugs in their lives. DEFY is a cost free program for both the mentors and youth. The primary goal as DEFY mentors is to empower military youths to build positive, healthy lifestyles as drug-free, successful citizens. Phase one consists of a five day camp in Destin, Fla. Phase two consists of monthly meetings, usually on a Saturday, in conjunction with an activity/field trip we take with the participants. Every mentor has to undergo a background check through base security. If there are any Sailors interested in being a part of this program please contact Air Traffic Controller 1st Class Steve Gonzalez, steve.gonzalez2@navy.mil or Air Traffic Controller 2nd Class Darrah Crow, darrah.crow@navy.mil.

Energy Savers - The Naval Air Station Whiting Field Public Works Department recognizes the following buildings for their efforts on energy conservation as compared to 2012 costs for the



Retaining Our Best and Brightest
Construction Mechanic 2nd Class Kyle Lykke receives his reenlistment certificate from Lt. Kenyatto Mayes June 13. Lykke reenlisted at the base golf pro shop before transferring to a Diving Salvage Unit in Hawaii. U.S. Navy photo by Ensign Emily Hegarty.

same time frame. Building 3148 -Fitness Center, Building 2981 - VT2/VT6, and Building 1406 - South Field Hangar earned the honors for May.

Riverfest - The City of Milton will sponsor their Riverfest celebration July 4 in Historic Downtown Milton. The event will include arts, crafts, retail vendors, concessions and will finish with a fireworks display over the river. The day's events include the Firecracker Bike Show, the Freedom Car Show, the Great Mill Town Duck Race, and music by Franklin's Tower Band. There will also be a Veterans Salute at 6:30 p.m. The week prior to the celebration, the annual search for the pirates treasure will begin. The search will kick off Tuesday, June 25 at the Blackwater Bistor and there will be a daily clue June 26 - July 3. The grand prize is valued at more than \$1,000. Pyrate swag prizes will be awarded to the the first clue solver daily. Call 623-2339 or visit www.src-chamber.com for additional information.

Usage Information

Total Used

1,995,430 kWh

	1 Year Ago	Last Month	This Month
Total kWh Used	2,372,382	1,848,045	1,995,430
Average Daily kWh	76,528	61,602	64,369
Days In Billing Period	31	30	31

Energy Conservation

Conserving energy remains an important goal in the operation of Naval Air Station Whiting Field. Steps taken during the past year by Public Works continue to pay dividends in our energy conservation programs. As can be seen in the above graphic from the May power bill, NAS Whiting Field saved 376,952 kilowatts of power from last year's bill. However, the power bill was still more than \$150,000 for the month. Please help decrease usage even more by remembering to turn off lights, shut down computers and printers, and limit usage of non-essential equipment.

Legal Notices

At a special court-martial convened on board NAS Jacksonville, an Airman was found guilty of unauthorized absence and wrongfully using oxycodone, a Scheduled II controlled substance. He was sentenced to 94 days confinement, reduction in rate to E-1, and a Bad Conduct Discharge.

At a special court-martial convened on board NAS Jacksonville, a First Class Petty Officer was found guilty of false official statement, larceny, and knowingly executing a scheme to obtain moneys owned by or under the custody or control of a financial institution. The military judge sentenced him to 60 days confinement and reduction in rate to E-5.

At a special court-martial convened on board NAS Jacksonville, a Third Class Petty Officer was found guilty of false official statement, wrongfully using amphetamines, wrongfully possessing amphetamines and methadone, a Schedule II controlled substance, and larceny. The military judge sentenced the Accused to one year confinement, forfeiture of \$1,010.00 pay per month for 10 months, reduction in rate to E-1, and a Bad Conduct Discharge.

Upcoming Events

June 28, 1300 - Winging Ceremony - Auditorium

July 4 - Independence Day

July 12, 1000 - NW Florida Blood Drive - NEX Parking Lot

July 10, 0930 - NEX Grand Re-Opening - NEX

July 12, 1300 - Winging Ceremony - Auditorium

July 12, 1300 - NBHC Change of Charge - Health Clinic

Fleet and Family Support Center Classes

VA Representative - Friday, June 28 from 8 a.m. to Noon. (Call 850-623-7177 for appointment)

Furlough & Your Finances - Thursday, June 27 from 1 to 3 p.m.

This class will give you the tips and strategies you need to survive periods of unemployment and/or underemployment. Maintaining your credit rating and how to deal with creditors during this period will also be covered. Class will be held in the FFSC conference room. For more information, contact a Work and Family Life Specialist at 850-623-7177.

Resume Writing - July 1 from 10 a.m. to Noon.

This class will assist you in efficiently creating an effective resume. Learn how to handle sticky resume situations like military-to-civilian transition, age, employment gaps, layoffs, and career change. Learn to use your resume as a marketing tool. Class will be held at the FFSC conference room. For more information, contact a Work and Family Life Specialist at 850-623-7177.

Smooth Move - July 9 from 1 to 3 p.m.

Make your next change of duty station move a smooth one. Learn what resources are available to you and the five key steps to minimizing stress during the relocation and transition period: get to know your FFSC Relocation Assistance Program Specialist, develop a plan of action, know your benefits, manage your moving day, make it a family affair. For more information, call NAS Whiting Field Fleet and Family Support Center at 850-623-7177.

Home Buying - July 11 from 1 to 3 p.m.

Are you in the market for a new home? We can help! From finding the best agent, to negotiating price, types of mortgage loans, and how to get the best interest rates, we can help! Find out how to buy a home and maintain your lifestyle! For more information, contact a Work and Family Life Specialist at 850-623-7177.

FFSC Open House - July 17 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



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Understanding reenlistments in Career Navigator

From Navy Personnel Command Public Affairs

With the introduction of Career Navigator, Sailors have improved opportunities to stay Navy, officials said June 13.

"This new program is a change to how we do business for enlisted Sailors," said Navy Personnel Command Force Master Chief (SW/AW/EXW) Leland E. Moore. "We dismantled PTS and created a reenlistment process more advantageous for Sailors."

Under Career Navigator, Sailors who desire to reenlist can now request approval 13 months prior to the end of their enlistment, or operative extension if they extended service. Knowing Sailors' desires to reenlist or separate is critical to accurately predict the number of Sailors the Navy will have in each skill set, rate and pay grade in order to manage manning needs of the Fleet.

In return, most Sailors will receive a reenlistment quota on the first look. The new policy is as follows:

- * All non-nuclear E-6 Sailors with command approval will receive reenlistment approval on their first application.

- * Sailors E-5 and below who desire to reenlist and have command approval and are in the open category for reenlistment will receive a reenlistment approval on their first application.

- * Reenlistment for Sailors E-5 and below in skill sets included the balanced category will be based on manning in their year group. A Sailor's year group is based in the



Yeoman 1st Class Jennifer Terry repeats the reenlistment oath as issued by Lt. Col. Doug Scott. The reenlistment took place during his retirement ceremony June 14 and was his last official duty as an active Marine officer. Terry reenlisted for four more years in the Navy reserve. U.S. Navy photo by Jay Cope.

fiscal year they attend Recruit Training (i.e., entered boot camp December 2009 makes them YG 2010). Command approved Sailors in undermanned year groups will receive approval on their first application.

- * Sailors E-5 and below in skill sets that are competitive or overmanned year groups in the balanced category

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Navy Region Southeast to waive decal requirements

By Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class (SW) Greg Johnson, Navy Region Southeast Public Affairs

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. – Navy Region Southeast (NRSE) drivers will no longer be required to display a Department of Defense (DoD) vehicle decal to gain access to installations beginning July 1.

The change will be made to comply with a new Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC) policy intended to enhance base security by providing electronic credentialing and increased scrutiny of authorized identification cards.

"Eliminating the DoD decals and implementing electronic credentialing will improve our security posture because it will allow our gate security personnel to more carefully scrutinize authorized identification cards without the added distraction of having to verify the decal," said Capt. Brett Calkins, Navy Region Southeast operations and plans officer.

In addition to enhancing security at the gate, the new policy will also work to protect Department of Defense per-

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JACKSONVILLE, Fla. - Aviation Structural Mechanic 3rd Class John Holt of the Naval Air Station Jacksonville Auxillary Security Force checks the identification of a driver before allowing entry to the station. Base decals will no longer be required as of July 1. (U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Amanda Cabasos).

Asian-American Pacific Islanders Month celebrated

By Ensign Emily Hegarty, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

Naval Air Station Whiting Field's Diversity Committee recognized the contributions and the achievements of Asian American and Pacific Islanders during their heritage month celebration June 12 in the base auditorium.

Alongside a buffet representative of the many different cultural cuisines, the committee presented a slide show depicting Asian American and Pacific Islander government and military leaders such as American Samoan-born Rep. Tulsi Gabbard of Hawaii, and Rear Adm. Raquel Bono and her brother Rear Adm. Anatolio B. Cruz III, the first two Filipino American siblings to hold flag-officer rank simultaneously.

Aviation Maintenance Administrationman 1st Class Jennifer Jackson, former president of the diversity committee, took the lead role in setting up the luncheon. She recently passed the torch to Air Traffic Controller 2nd Class Mario Santis, who is the current president of the committee. In addition to organizing the luncheon, Jackson lent her cooking talents to the Kalua pork and pot stickers she made, eliciting much praise from the attendees. The green Thai curry cooked by Eve Marshall for the event, as well as the Cantonese Noodles made by Norita Quebedaux, were also big hits.

The next event that the group plans to celebrate is



Naval Air Station Whiting Field Sailors, including the base's new executive officer, Cmdr. Gregory Gray (center), enjoy the buffet line at the Asian American and Pacific Islander heritage luncheon at the base auditorium. The annual event is held to recognize the contribution of Asian Americans to our nation and military. U.S. Navy photo by Ensign Emily Hegarty.

Hispanic Heritage Month in September.

"We usually have a block-party style celebration – a lot of people come out for it" she said.

For last year's celebration, the committee hosted

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Gold Star Families remembered with VIP parking on NASWF

By Jay Cope, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

The sacrifices made by those who fought and died for their country are often recalled and honored, but many times, the sacrifices made by their families fall to the wayside. Commander Navy Installations Command (CNIC) is taking one small step to recognize these families and bring awareness to the Navy and general public.

Every Naval installation across the country has been requested to designate special parking spaces along with gold star signage to honor the families who lost loved ones in service to the country.

The concept of Gold Star Families was initiated in 1917 when an officer of the Fifth Ohio Infantry designed a banner to honor the service of his two sons. Such banners were standardized and recognized by the government by the end of WWII. Blue stars symbolized family members service in an ongoing conflict while gold stars with a blue edge



The graphic above displays the look and language of the signs posted on Naval Air Station Whiting Field to support and honor Gold Star Families. Graphic courtesy of CNIC.

recognized those who died during their time in service. The banners were widespread during WWII and usually were hung in windows of the family home. Although the practice fell out of style during the Vietnam era, it has reclaimed some of its former prominence recently.

The concept is less about providing a privilege, and more about instilling awareness about Gold Star Families and honoring their contributions and loss.

"Our fallen warriors have paid the ultimate sacrifice and we have a commitment to recognize that sacrifice. Commander Navy Installations Command is dedicated to delivering on the promise of taking care of its own by providing support to surviving families of Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines for as long as they desire," Capt. F. X. Martin, CNIC Chief of Staff, stated in the directive to all Navy bases. "The intent is to honor and recognize

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DEFY program graduates 2013 participants

By Jay Cope, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

The year-long Drug Education for Youth (DEFY) program at Naval Air Station Whiting Field completed its annual program of events with a graduation ceremony for its participants Sunday, June 2 at the base sports complex.

The graduation ceremony is the final event for the 2012/13 participants who began the program last July. About 30 youths from military families were part of this year's course.

NAS Whiting Field Executive Officer Cmdr. Gregory Gray and DEFY coordinator, Air Traffic Controller 1st Class Steve Gonzalez presented the completing certificates to the children during a mid-afternoon pizza party. The party served to celebrate the kids' accomplishments and dedication to the program. This was Gonzalez' second year with DEFY, and the graduation is an uplifting event for him.

"The best thing is seeing them complete the program," he said. "You always get attached to the kids, and it's nice to see their faces when they receive the diplomas."

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Jocelyn Jaravel, 9, receives her Drug Education for Youth (DEFY) graduation certificate for Naval Air Station Whiting Field Executive Officer Cmdr. Gregory Gray and Air Traffic Controller 1st Class Steve Gonzalez, the DEFY program coordinator for the base. Jaravel was one of about 30 program participants, and the youngest. Photo courtesy of NAS Whiting Field DEFY.

SAPR

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emphasized the need to eradicate sexual assault and promote positive change within the command climate. SAPR-L, or "Leadership" training was designed for chief petty officers and above, with the goals of raising awareness of the challenges posed by sexual assault and giving leaders the tools and techniques to address them.

No Zebra training was performance-based training in which performers acted out scenarios of sexual assault, harassment, and domestic violence. The training stressed bystander intervention, and that these behaviors will not be tolerated.

According to Kristen Klein, the Sexual Assault Resource Coordinator (SARC) at Whiting Field, the theme behind all of this training is the same.

"The message is that sexual assault is everyone's issue, not just the victims themselves. It has a ripple effect on coworkers, commands, and mission readiness as well."

History

The Department of the Navy initially established their program to combat sexual assault under the title Sexual Assault Victim Intervention (SAVI) in 2005, with the goals of preventing sexual assault, encouraging increased reporting of the crime, and improving response capabilities for victims. SAVI stressed prevention through education on risk reduction, but now focuses on holding offenders accountable, what to do when someone encounters a sexual assault

scene, and how to stop such occurrences from happening in the first place.

The subsequent name change from SAVI to SAPR reflects the program's shift to emphasize treatment, support, and system accountability. Additionally, SAPR is a Department of Defense-wide program name, which demonstrates Navy's program realignment with DoD-wide goals.

Program Offerings

The SAPR program is run by certified victim advocates and SARCs who receive a minimum of forty hours of training. Applicants must pass a background check, submit two letters of recommendation and pass an interview. New SAPR guidelines are encouraging all victim advocates to become nationally certified.

Victim advocates stand watch, meaning that they are on-call and available via cell phone after normal business hours to ensure that victims have a point of contact at all times. In addition to military victim advocates, a civilian victim advocate was introduced on base in order to provide better availability for potential victims.

A victim advocate's first priority is to ensure victims are aware of all the options available to them.

"The point is to give victims time to digest everything and understand their options before it goes to the next level of command or NCIS is notified," explained Klein.

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Congrats to TRAWING-5 Wingers and scholars



Front Row: Cmdr. Christopher Pesile, USN, CO HT-28; Lt. Dennis Stenkamp, USCG; Capt. Jeffery Walker, USMC; Lt.j.g. Jonathan Hemler, USN; 1st Lt. Robert Pfeil II, USMC; Lt.j.g Dylan Parrott, USN; Lt.j.g. David Kehoe, USN; Lt.j.g. Matthew Robida, USNA; Lt.j.g. Leonardo DiCarlo, Italian Navy; Lt.j.g. Carl Luxhoj, USCG; 1st Lt. Christian Armstrong, USMC; Ensign Marcia Mannarino, USN; 1st Lt. Philip Mahne, USMC; and Lt.j.g. Jonathan Harned, USN.

Middle: Lt. Col. Robert White, USMC, CO HT-18; 1st Lt. Fredrick Franklin, USMC; Lt.j.g. Alison Jones, USN; 1st Lt. John Douglas, USMC; Lt.j.g. Tyler McCoy, USN; Lt.j.g. Cesare Valmori, Italian Navy; Lt.j.g. Collin McGeehan, USN; Ensign Andrea Falcone, Italian Navy; Lt. Darby Driscoll, USN; Lt.j.g. Paul Hassell, USN; Lt.j.g. Thomas Netherton, USN; 1st Lt. Travis Mercer, USMC; Ensign Alexander Castillo, USN; Capt. James Fisher, USN, Commodore TRAWING FIVE.

Back Row: Cmdr. Matthew Bowen, USN, CO HT-8; Lt.j.g. Keith Schmitt, USN; Lt.j.g. Cody Keef, USN, HT-18; 1st Lt. Norman Holcombe, USMC; Lt.j.g. Kyle Frank, USN; Lt.j.g. Nicholas Grell, USN; Lt.j.g. Taylor Koch, USN; 1st Lt. Bryan Gibbs, USMC; Lt.j.g. Michael Minneman, USN; Lt.j.g. Michael Newell, USN; Lt.j.g. Nicholas Celone, USN; Brig. Gen. Matthew Glavy, USMC, Asst. Deputy Commandant for Aviation.



Left Photo: Training Air Wing FIVE Academic Achievement Award recipients from June 14 are -- Front Row: 1st Lt. Jessica Del Castillo, USMC; 1st Lt. Dale Metcalf, Jr, USMC; and Ensign Caitlin Calhoun, USN. Second Row: Ensign Kellen Browne, USCG; Ensign James French, USN; Ensign Ned Davis, USN; and Ensign Charity Somma, USN.

Center Photo: The awardees from June 7 are: 1st Lt. Brandon T. Dell, USMC; 1st Lt. Robert J. Guilfoyle, USMC; 1st Lt. Daniel B. Ouellette, USMC; and 1st Lt. Michael R. Seabolt, USMC.

Right Photo: Academic awardees from May 31 are: Ensign Joseph R. Luna, USN; Lt. j.g. Igor Maury, French Navy; and Ensign Casey E. McMurry, USN.

Asian-American

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an outdoor event complete with food, music, and kid-friendly activities.

“We will do our best to duplicate the success of that program but will factor in the heat index and amount of preparation and set up that went into it,” she added.

Jackson noted that the Diversity Committee celebrates all major diversity focus months, such as Women’s History Month and Black History Month. The eight members meet weekly before events in the AMO School building conference room or Operations building conference room to prepare.

Asian American Pacific Islander month initially began as Asian/Pacific American Heritage week, after Congress passed a 1978 joint resolution proclaiming that the first week in May be designated as such. Congress voted to expand the celebration to a full month in 1990, after acknowledging that many significant Asian American and Pacific Islander achievements occurred in May. These achievements include the arrival of the first Japanese immigrants to the United States as well as Golden

Spike Day, the day upon which the Transcontinental Railroad was joined, which was completed with significant involvement from Chinese laborers.

Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders have been serving in the US Navy since the 19th century.

As stated by President Barack Obama at an AAPI Heritage Month celebration at the White House on May 28, 2013, “generations of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders helped build this country, and helped to defend this country, and to make America what it is today.” Asian American and Pacific Islanders Heritage month was created to celebrate and educate U.S. citizens on the traditions and culture of the individuals identifying with this group, which includes over 50 ethnic and language groups. In 2013, more than 20,000 active duty sailors identified themselves as Asian American or Pacific Islander, a demographic representative of 6.5 percent of our active duty Naval force. In addition, 4,000 reservists and 18,900 Navy civilian employees identified themselves as Asian American and Pacific Islander.

Decals

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sonnel when they are off the base, Calkins said.

“You really never know where or when you are going to encounter terrorism,” he said. “Vehicle decals can be easily recognizable to those out there that would like to do our service members harm, so not having them on vehicles off base will help to lower visibility and, in essence, help protect our people from potential harm.”

The new policy will also have a major impact on installation budgets, resulting in an estimated \$750,000 in annual savings Navy-wide, as well as a drastic reduction in administrative tasks. Those savings will be diverted to critical AT/FP programs, reported Navy Times.

“First and foremost, this policy change is going to help us better protect personnel, but the financial benefits to not having stickers are obvious,” said Bruce Toth, NRSE regional security officer. “Sticker costs can add up, especially when families have multiple vehicles and people are constantly buying and selling used vehicles - not to mention the manpower it takes to supply them. Our goal is to take those funds and reinvest them back into our force protection efforts.”

According to Toth, the original purpose of the DoD decal was to not only for base access, but also to ensure that drivers on installations possessed a valid driver’s license, proof of adequate insurance and a current state vehicle regis-

tration. While the decals are set for elimination next month, the requirement for vehicles to be registered with the installation security departments will continue. Personnel and residents that are permanently assigned to a Navy installation will in-process and out-process at the installation Pass and Identification Office.

According to the new CNIC policy, motorcycle operators safety requirements, barment control and enforcement of state licensing, registration, insurance and safety requirements will be enforced through random vehicle inspections and routine traffic enforcement.

“Our requirements will not change. Anyone operating a motor vehicle on base will still be required to carry proof of insurance and registration in accordance with their respective state law,” Toth said.

The policy change will take effect on board every CNIC installation July 1. Drivers who still need access to other service’s installations that may still require a decal will be permitted to display the decal until it expires.

Under the new policy, base visitors will continue to use the normal visitor procedures established by the installation commanding officer.

For more information, please contact the Pass and I.D. office at 850-623-7205.

Bravo-Zulu's, Attaboys, and Fair Winds



Above Left: Aviation Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class Zachary Nance receives his Honorable Discharge certificate from Lt. Kenyatto Mayes prior to reenlisting at the golf course May 31.

Above: Air Traffic Controller 1st Class Thorice Armstrong receives the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal certificate from Air Traffic Control Officer Lt. Chris Mitchell.

Above Right: Crash Division Officer Lt. Kenyatto Mayes presents an Honorable Discharge certificate to Aviation Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class Johnny Payanomendez May 30 at Barin Field.

Left: Lt. Col. Doug "Scooter" Scott, USMC, steps through the sideboys to conclude his 21-year military career. He retired in the Atrium building June 14.

Bottom Left: Naval Air Station Whiting Field Air Traffic Control Officer Lt. Chris Mitchell prepares to administer the Oath of Enlistment to Air Traffic Controller 2nd Class Vernon Dantzer.

Bottom: Cmdr. Judd Conatser, USN, executive officer, Training Squadron THREE; and Lt. Col. Brian Schafer, USAF, commanding officer, VT-3; flank 1st Lt. Daniel Mitchell, USAF; 1st Lt. Samantha Robertson, USAF; and 1st Lt. Dave Zitelli, USAF in front of the Training Squadron THREE building. The three junior officers are the last three Air Force students in the training pipeline for Training Air Wing FIVE. Mitchell selected the UH-1 Huey and Robertson the T-1 Jayhawk as their next platforms June 13. Zitelli is slated to select in a few weeks.



Navigator

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will be compared to their peers and any special reenlistment requirements when they apply in Career Navigator and the available in-rate re-enlistment quotas will be awarded to the top performers.

Sailors can only request an in-rate quota four times, 13 to 10 months prior to the end of their contracts. That way, all Sailors will know at least 10 months out from the end of their contracts if they will be able to reenlist in their current rating. Even though there are fewer times a Sailor can request an in-rate quota, the number of quotas hasn't been reduced. Instead, more quotas will be granted each month so Sailors don't have to wait as long for a result. Non-nuclear Sailors who are not approved to reenlist in rate may apply for rating conversion or apply for transition to the Selected Reserve in Career Navigator. These Sailors will have up to four more looks for conversion nine to six months from their end of service.

Command approval to reenlist is a major part of the new process; your chain of command will have a big say in whether or not you are approved to reenlist.

Sailors may improve their conversion opportunity by taking the Armed Forces Classification Test to improve their initial ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) score. This may expand the number of ratings they qualify for.

Sailors not granted an in-rate or conversion opportunity will still have additional time to request to join the Navy Reserve, all the way up to three months from the end of their active service. In-rate or conversion applications are not authorized at this stage 5 to 3 months from the end of

their contract.

Currently there are only nine overmanned ratings, accounting for approximately 800 Sailors. Sailors in overmanned year groups applying for a reenlistment in overmanned ratings have limited opportunity and should consider a rating conversion to remain in the Navy.

"Approximately 75 percent of Sailors requesting reenlistment will receive approval on their first application and all Sailors will know at least 10 months from the end of their contract whether they will be able to reenlist in their current rate," said Moore. "For most Sailors E5 and below who are command-approved to reenlist, you will have approval on your first request, within approximately 30 days."

Sailors can check manning levels in their rating by viewing community health slides published monthly in the Enlisted Community Management section of the Navy Personnel Command Web site. This information can help a Sailor determine the career opportunity within their community. The slides feature a snapshot of community health by year group. Sailors can also see if their skill set is in the open, balanced, or competitive reenlistment groups by reviewing this information, also posted on the NPC website.

To review a community health slide visit the enlisted community management section of the NPC website at <http://www.public.navy.mil/bupers-npc/enlisted/community/Pages/default.aspx>, then select the community followed by specific rating in the left column. Complete details and guidance for nuclear and Reserve communities can be found in NAVADMIN 150/13.

Gold Star

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the sacrifice of family members who have lost a loved one in military service."

Naval Air Station Whiting Field established those parking locations well in advance of the June 30 deadline and placed the signs in the Navy Exchange, Branch Health Clinic, and Fleet and Family Support Center parking lots. The signs are easily recognizable with a gold star on a white background surrounded by a thick red border and the phrase "Honoring Our Families of the Fallen." Patrons are requested to reserve the parking locations for such families.

"I hope everyone will stop when they see the signs and think about the price these families paid for our country," said NAS Whiting Field Commanding Officer Capt. Matthew Coughlin. "Losing a son, a daughter, sister or brother in military service is a tremendous burden, one that should be honored and respected in every way possible."



Crop Clearance

Melanie Poche restocks some fresh fruit under the banner advertising the Farmer's Market promotion at the Naval Air Station Whiting Field commissary. Fresh produce such as corn, watermelon, canteloup, vidalia onions, potatoes and more will be available at discount pricing. U.S. Navy photo by Jay Cope.

Kids March on during CDC graduation



NAS Whiting Field's Child Development Center celebrated the class of 2013's pre-school and voluntary pre-kindergarten (VPK) graduation on June 7 at Sykes Hall. After marching in to "Pomp and Circumstance" the graduates recited the Pledge of Allegiance, sang and danced to a variety of songs, received diplomas, and listened intently as two of their teachers and a fellow graduate read aloud to the audience. Clockwise from top left: a VPK graduate receives her diploma from her teacher Miss Jocelyn; the soon-to-be-graduates march to their seats in front of their family and friends; after tossing his cap, one excited youngster runs to share the excitement of his graduation with his mother; the entire class performs a rousing rendition of "This Land is Your Land," complete with dance moves and hand motions.



Kelso

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Navy in a period of significant drawdown of U.S. naval forces in the wake of the end of the Cold War and the ballyhooed "peace dividend." Concurrently, he oversaw the introduction of new platforms and systems that improved capabilities, including precision strike operations. The nation persistently called on the naval capabilities throughout his tour, starting with Operation Desert Storm.

As CNO, he also oversaw revolutionary changes within the OPNAV staff and profoundly changed the means by which the Navy processed and made decisions. In keeping with joint staff practices, he changed "OP" codes to "N" codes, and the staff was reorganized to align with a "Napoleonic" arrangement used by both the Army and the Joint Staff. In a period of dramatic change, he helped to transform not merely the organization, but also the processes by which information could be shared and considered. He is credited with dramatically changing the means by which more informed decisions could be made by the Navy.

Kelso was a strong advocate for the integration of women, particularly in the wake of the 1991 Tailhook Convention during which numerous incidents of sexual assault and harassment were found to have occurred.

Kelso got his start in public school and the University of the South in Sewanee, Tenn., prior to entering the U.S. Naval Academy in 1952. Following graduation in 1956, he served in the cargo ship USS Oglethorpe (AKA 100) before attending Submarine School in 1958. On completion of training, he was assigned to the submarine USS Sabalo (SS 302) before returning to Submarine School for nuclear power training in January 1960. He then served one year in the Nuclear Power Department at the school. Subsequent tours included the pre-commissioning crew of the nuclear-powered attack submarine USS Pollack (SSN 603), Engineering Officer aboard USS Daniel Webster (SSBN 626) and Executive Officer of USS Sculpin

(SSN 590).

From January 1969 to August 1971, Kelso served as Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Nuclear Power School in Bainbridge, Md. Following tours included Commanding Officer, USS Finback (SSN 670); Staff of Commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet; and Commanding Officer, USS Bluefish (SSN 675). Adm. Kelso was then assigned as Executive Assistant to the Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Command and U.S. Atlantic Fleet and Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic from September 1975 to July 1977.

He served as Commander, Submarine Squadron SEVEN until reporting as Division Director, Submarine Distribution Division in the Naval Military Personnel Command, and Section Head of the Submarine Programs Section in the Office of the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Manpower, Personnel and Training) in September 1978.

Upon selection for flag rank in 1980, Admiral Kelso served as Director, Strategic Submarine Division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, and then was assigned as Director, Office of Program Appraisal, Office of the Secretary of the Navy. On February 8, 1985, Adm. Kelso became Commander 6th Fleet and NATO Commander Naval Striking Force and Support Forces Southern Europe. On June 30, 1986, Adm. Kelso was promoted to admiral and assumed the duties of Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet. Admiral Kelso became Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic and Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Command on November 22, 1988. He became the Navy's 24th Chief of Naval Operations on June 29, 1990.

He is survived by his second wife, Georgeanna, his four children and numerous grandchildren. Landess McCown, his first wife of 56 years, passed away in 2012. Kelso, who would have been 80 on July 11, will be buried in Fayetteville in the historic Rose Hill Cemetery on Saturday.

Summer Religious Programs Schedule

Weekly Services:

Bible Study – Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m. A free lunch followed by a lesson and discussion. Guest speakers, non-denominational.

Chapel – Thursdays at 11:30 a.m. A Protestant service featuring traditional and contemporary music. Sermons by Lt. Jason Hart and Cmdr. Charles Luff.

Mass – Fridays at 11:00 a.m. Traditional Catholic Mass led by Monsignor Steve Bosso.

(Friday, June 28 will be Monsignor Bosso's last Mass at the base. Monsignor Michael Reed will begin holding services in July.)

CREDO Southeast Programs

Marriage Enrichment Retreat – from Friday at 7 p.m. until Sunday after lunch. June 28-30, Pensacola, Fla.. Aug. 9-11, St. Simon's Island, Ga. Aug. 23-25, Pensacola, Fla.

To register contact CREDO South-

east at 904-542-3923.

NASWF Programs

How to Avoid Marrying a Jerk(ette) – Friday, Aug. 16 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

All seminars will take place in NASWF Atrium Building Room 169. Please contact Chaplain Hart (jason.r.hart@navy.mil) , RP1 Yolanda Jordan (yolanda.jordan@navy.mil), or call the office at 850-623-7211 to sign up.

Keep Summer Travel Safe

- Arriving alive is first priority



MILLINGTON, Tenn. (NNS) -- Summer is the perfect time to gather up your family or friends and take a road trip. With amusement parks, beaches, and family reunions happening all over the country, more families are planning to buckle up and hit the road, Navy leaders said June 26.

"Although the road trip is half the fun, making it to your destination safely should always be the first priority," said Dorice Favorite, director of the Navy Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention (NADAP) Office.

In keeping with the Navy's recently launched "Keep What You've Earned" campaign, NADAP urges Sailors to drink responsibly throughout the year- you've earned it, don't waste it.

This summer, consider the following:

*While on vacation, you may be traveling an unfamiliar route, hauling a boat or camper, along with the possible distraction of pets and children in the car. Adding alcohol to the mix puts the lives of the driver and everyone in the car, as well as other people on the road, at risk.

*Whether you're on the road or outdoors, summer temperatures plus alcohol can equal trouble. Hot summer days cause fluid loss through perspiration, while alcohol causes fluid loss through increased urination. Together, they can quickly lead to dehydration or heat stroke.

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SECURITY CHECKPOINT



With the NAVADMIN 146/13 - Implementation of the Department of The Navy Policy eliminating the DOD Vehicle Decal Program effective as of 1 JULY 13, motorcycle operators safety requirements, barment control and enforcement of state licensing, registration, insurance, and safety requirements will be enforced through random vehicle inspections and routine traffic enforcement.

DEFY

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The DEFY program helps kids, primarily in the nine to 12 age range, to make sound, positive decisions that can help lead to a healthier lifestyle. DEFY does this through a two-phased prevention program that incorporates both classroom learning with social interactions.

Phase 1 is a camp program that introduces the DEFY process and emphasizes topics such as goal setting, leadership, teamwork, physical fitness, refusal skills and self-esteem. The camp mixes classroom sessions with recreational and team building activities with the youths, youth mentors, and adult supervisors.

Phase 2 reinforces the concepts of phase 1 through monthly activities and field trips designed to provide positive support to the youths as well as additional mentoring opportunities. Active participation in both phases is required for graduation.

The DEFY website emphasizes that there is a measurable, positive change in children who have completed the program in regards to resistance skills, drug knowledge, smoking attitudes, social behavior and more. According to Gonzalez, the real benefit is about providing the kids with tools to make smarter choices.

"We want to help the kids live a healthy lifestyle," he said about the DEFY volunteers. "These kids will be going into middle school, and it's important for them to be able to make positive decisions later in their lives."

The NAS Whiting Field DEFY team is accepting applicants for 2013/14 program year. Phase 1 is due to begin in August with a five-day camp near Destin, Fla. Requirements for youth participation in the program include: military or DoD dependent, be between 9-12 years old, be able to complete Phase I 5-day camp participation, be able to complete Phase 2 one Saturday a month participation for remaining 11 months, and have a completed application on file by July 12, 2013.

The DEFY program is also seeking volunteers who desire to help mentor youths to help avoid the pull of drugs in their lives

Anyone desiring more information on participating in the DEFY program should contact Gonzalez at steve.gonzalez2@navy.mil.

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SAPR

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The victim advocate acts as the victim's primary resource point of contact, making certain that they have the proper support, including crisis intervention, counseling, medical and investigative resources, depending on the victim's wishes.

SAPR in the News

Recently, sexual assault in the military has seen a great deal of media attention. While the 2011-2012 annual report of sexual assault in military showed an increase in the total number of sexual assault cases, it also demonstrated an increase in reporting of sexual assault.

And the reporting of such cases is what the Navy is striving for, Klein said. "We would like to see that they felt comfortable [enough so] that they could come forward and report it."

Discussing the recent media attention, Klein also noted that it's not necessarily all bad. While the events themselves don't reflect favorably upon the military community, it does illustrate that general awareness about SAPR and the intolerance of sexual assault is increasing, she noted.

"Hopefully this will continue to raise awareness and give people more confidence in making reports. It can be intimidating for victims to make reports for a variety of reasons: fear of being judged, fear of the offender, fear that their case won't be handled well, or because they think it's their fault. The attention shows that the media and the public are taking this seriously, because it is a very serious issue, and may help victims feel more comfortable coming forward."

The media attention may also lend itself to giving victims greater faith that something may be done about their case, which will hopefully lead to an increase in the percentage of assaults that are reported. While SAPR does not encourage victims to choose restricted or unrestricted reporting, they do strive to make sure all victims feel safe enough to talk to a victim advocate.

"We want to make sure the victim is informed, without taking away their power of choice," she stated.

Whiting Field Fleet and Family Services are currently looking to expand the Victim Advocate Program, and are endeavoring to obtain a representative from each command on base to best meet victims' needs. Interested persons are encouraged to apply with FFSC. FFSC will be hosting a SAPR training session for new Victim advocates August 26 through 30 here at Whiting Field.

Whiting Field's SAPR resources are based in the FFSC building. In case of emergency, the victim advocates can be reached at 850-554-5383, and the SARC can be reached at 850-499-5810. Additionally, the DoD Safe Helpline, a comprehensive resource for confidential support and information, can be reached at safehelpline.org, by calling 877-995-5247, or by texting 55-247.

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*At parties, make at least every other drink a nonalcoholic one. If you're the host, be sure to provide plenty of cold, refreshing nonalcoholic drinks to keep your guests well hydrated. If you know you'll be driving, stay away from alcohol. And remember, there's no shame in taking a cab or sleeping on a friend's couch if you feel at all unsure if you should be driving.

*Most importantly - do not drink and drive. The rate of alcohol-related traffic fatalities increases significantly from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

"The summer holidays are some of the most dangerous times of the year to be on the road. Our Sailors have worked hard and deserve to enjoy their summer in a safe way," said Favorite. "Have fun with family and friends, but be smart if you choose to drink."

For more information and to help promote responsible drinking this summer within your command, you can access materials and resources from NADAP's recently launched campaign, Keep What You've Earned, available at www.nadap.navy.mil. Materials include Sailor fact sheets, posters and video. For more news from Navy Personnel Command, visit www.navy.mil/local/npc/.

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