

Top Sailors/Flight Instructors honored

- Local Navy League chapter recognizes stellar performers

By Ensign Robert Luers, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs



Aviation Boatswain's Mate 3rd Class Andan Rempel; Master-at-Arms 1st Class Adam Turner; Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Jesse Hernandez; Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Joshua Soutillo; Hospital Corpsman 1st Class Octave Dealminana; Master-at-Arms 2nd Class Erica Roten; Naval Air Crewman 1st Class Robert Wells; Naval Air Crewman 2nd Class Chastain Johnson; Naval Air Crewman 2nd Class Nathan Furry were honored as the top Sailors for their respective commands by the Santa Rosa County Council of the Navy League, represented by Jayer Williamson and Walt Reese. U.S. Navy photo by Ensign Robert Luers.

The Santa Rosa County Council of the Navy League honored 2012's best and brightest from Training Air Wing FIVE, the Naval Branch Health Clinic, and Naval Air Station Whiting Field Friday, Feb. 8, during the organization's annual awards banquet. The event, held in the Atrium, recognizes the top enlisted Sailors and flight instructors of the past year for the area commands.

The evening began with a social hour at 6:30, followed by the presentation of colors and pledge of allegiance by the Naval Sea Cadets, Whiting Field Division led by NAS Whiting Field Commanding Officer Capt. Matthew Coughlin.

The guest speaker for the ceremony was Capt. James Vandiver, Commander Naval Aviation Schools Command. Vandiver was grateful for being able to speak on behalf of the Navy League and praise the award recipients.

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VITA program discontinued at NAS Whiting Field

- Help is still available at four locations at NAS Pensacola

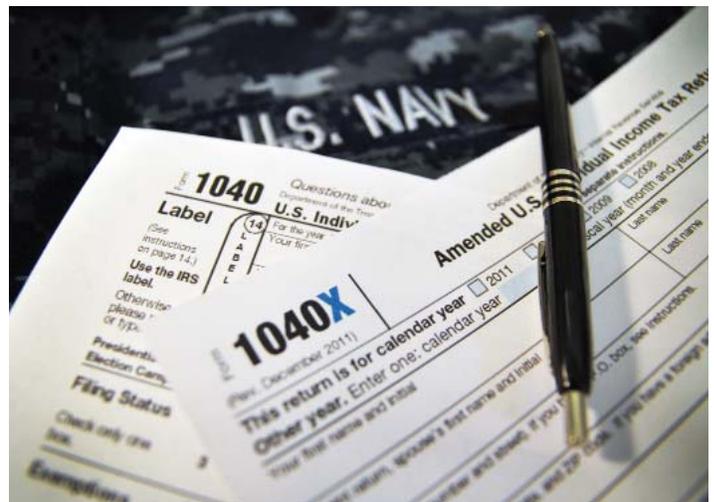
By Jay Cope, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

Naval Air Station Whiting Field's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) office will, unfortunately, no longer be counted among the more than 100 Navy centers worldwide geared to help Sailors and their families with their annual tax preparation.

The volunteer force necessary to run the office is no longer available due to manning cuts to the NAS Whiting Field staff. The shortage of available personnel combined with the high-tempo requirements of aviation training restricted the ability to provide a consistent, quality product to the customers. According to Bill Brock, the VITA coordinator for the past several years, it is a disappointing and unavoidable, reduction in services to the base team.

"The VITA program at NASWF has served thousands of active duty, dependents and retirees over the past 10 years. Unfortunately, the un-intended consequence of per-

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It is time again to start thinking about taxes, and while NAS Whiting Field will no longer provide a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance office, help is still available in the area through Pensacola's VITA offices. U.S. Navy file photo.

Navy phones to require new dialing procedures

Naval Air Station (NAS) Pensacola, NASP CID Corry Station, NASP Saufley Field and NAS Whiting Field will be updating their telephone switch equipment and software from late 1980's technology (parts are not available for repair) to the new off the shelf version. The current telephone switches provide service to approximately 10,000 customers. In order to implement the new technology, the base telephone switches will be out of service during the switch upgrades.

NAS Pensacola, NASP CID Corry Station and NASP Saufley Field's telephone switch upgrades are scheduled to start at 0800 on Saturday 23 February 2013 and are estimated to take approximately eight (8) hours. The base telephone switches will be out of service during this time period. People will not be able to dial into or out from any 850-452-XXXX numbers until the switch upgrades are completed. If the office or person you are trying to reach, have numbers beginning with numbers other than 850-452, they will still have telephone services.

NAS Whiting Field's telephone switch upgrade is scheduled to start at 0800 on Saturday 2 March 2013 and is estimated to take approximately eight (8) hours. The base telephone switches will be out of service during this time period. People will not be able to dial into or out from any 850-623-XXXX or 850-665-XXXX numbers until the switch upgrades are completed. If the office or person you are trying to reach have numbers beginning with numbers other than 850-623 or 850-665 which are through the base telephone switch, they

will still have telephone services.

For emergency services during these time periods, base personnel will need to use cell phones.

As a result of the switch upgrade, there will be a new dial plan which conforms to Navy standards. The new switch dial plan will take effect on 23 February for NAS Pensacola, NASP CID Corry Station and NASP Saufley Field and on 2 March for NAS Whiting Field.

The new dial plan changes for all bases are as follows: Anything that has a 452/623/665 number associated with it will have to start dialing the complete seven (7) digit numbers after the new switch upgrades. All alarms that call someone via 452/623/665 numbers will have to be reprogrammed to dial seven (7) digits. Speed dials numbers that were programmed to a button on phones will need to be reprogrammed to dial all seven (7) digits if it was going to an on base number. If speed dial button numbers on phones were programmed to dial local off base, they will need to be programmed to dial 99 and the seven (7) digit number instead of 9 and the seven (7) digit number. If speed dial button numbers on phones were programmed to dial a long distance number, they will need to dial 98 and then the ten (10) digit number. In order to access the government owned Defense Switched Network the customers will need to dial 94 as an access code instead of the previous 88.

More information will be provided as it becomes available.

TRICARE Notes

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This Week in Naval History

Feb. 12

1947 - USS Cusk (SS 348) sets a milestone, launching the first guided-missile (Loon) from a submarine.

1950 - The U.S. naval forces operating in the Mediterranean Sea since 1946 are officially designated the 6th Fleet.

1976 - Capt. Fran McKee becomes the Navy's first woman line officer selected for promotion to the rank of rear admiral.

Feb. 13

1854 - Adm. Matthew Calbraith Perry anchors off Yokosuka, Japan, to receive the Japanese Emperor's reply to a treaty proposal.

1945 - Naval units enter Manila Bay for the first time since 1942.

Feb. 14

1778 - John Paul Jones, while commanding the American vessel Ranger, receives the first official salute to the U.S. Stars and Stripes flag by a European country, at Quiberon, France.

1804 - Lt. Stephen Decatur, with volunteers from frigate Constitution and schooner Enterprise, enters Tripoli Harbor by night in the ketch Intrepid to destroy the captured frigate Philadelphia. Decatur succeeds without American losses.

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

News and Notes

Asist Class - The upcoming Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST) workshop is on Feb. 27 & 28. The workshop will be from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in civilian clothes in room 169 of the Atrium Building. The ASIST Workshop teaches suicide first aid intervention skills and helps to give you the tools to act as a first responder. If you are interested in registering please contact Religious Program's Specialist 1st Class Yolanda Jordan at 850-623-7212/7211 by close of business Wednesday, Feb. 20.

PREP Marriage Communication/Enrichment Workshop - PREP is a workshop for couples, married or engaged, that helps develop communication skills within a relationship and that provides valuable marriage enrichment information. The next workshop will be offered on Thursday, Feb. 14, (registration ends COB Monday, Feb. 11). For details or to register, please contact the Chaplain's Office at 850-623-7211.

Ice Flyers - NAS Whiting Field ITT carries discounted tickets for all Ice Flyers home games. There are a limited number of discount tickets available for each game - Center Ice \$14.50 and Corner \$11.50 - no taxes added. For more information call 850-665-6250 or 850-623-7032.

Being a Good Neighbor - Base personnel who use Foxglove Road (first right after Richey's Automotive on Highway 87 South) and Summit Drive as a shortcut to Pine Blossom Road are reminded that these are residential areas with posted speed limits. Should a pedestrian or animal suddenly step into your path, you'll likely be unable to stop in time to avoid a disaster. Please be good neighbors out in the community and obey the speed limits. They're there for a reason!"

Dealt a Deadly Hand - The Dream Players Theatre will present the dinner/murder mystery "Dealt a Deadly Hand: Murder at the Emerald Coast royale Casino," Feb. 14-16 at Camelot Junction in Milton and on Feb. 26 at Helen Back Pizza in Pensacola. Show



Heavy Hitters

Members of the NASWF Tennis Club stand by to participate in the ongoing Captain's Cup Tennis Tournament. Left to right: Nate Antonio (VT2), Andrew Odell (VT3), Chris Lipscomb (Crash), Matt McDonald (VT3), Mike Sexton (VT3), Dan Mitchell (VT3), John Fleischli (VT3), Jeremy Merki (Air Traffic Control) and Rusty Bradberry (VT3). There are 16 players in the singles bracket and 6 doubles teams representing different units/squadrons of NAS Whiting Field. The club is open to anyone wishing to join, please contact Nate at (850) 623-7281. US Navy photo by Nate Antonio.



Onward and Upward

Chaplain Jason Hart receives his new collar devices from his wife, Autumn, in the Naval Air Station Whiting Field chapel. Hart was promoted to Lieutenant, Wednesday, Feb. 6. U.S. Navy photo by Ensign Robert Luers.

costs range from \$35 to \$45 per person and includes a four-course dinner with the show. Seats are sold by reservation only. Call 850-225-8892 to reserve a seat or to obtain additional details.

Dinner at the Opry - The Women's Advisory Council of Santa Rosa Medical Center is sponsoring a private concert by Ronnie McDowell & T. Graham Brown at the Chumuckla Farmers Opry on Thursday, February 14th. Dress up in your favorite western attire and join us for a fun filled evening of entertainment. There will be "tablescapes," a silent auction and much more. All proceeds will benefit the Kathy Russell Scholarship program and the Milton Relay for Life Survivors Reception. Dinner will be served from 5:30- 6:45 p.m. and the concert will start promptly at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$35, and can be purchased by calling Paula Lou Mapoles at 626-9567 or Aleta Hoodless Millham at 626-5113.

Time to Play Ball - The Defending World Champion Whiting Field Warriors will be holding tryouts for this upcoming season. If you played baseball in college or if you think you have what it takes to help win another championship for NAS Whiting Field please get in touch with Todd Mooneyham, MWR Sports Coordinator at 850-665-6102 for information about tryouts. The team is seeking 7-10 new players for another summer of softball.

ERAU Registration - Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University's Pensacola Campus is holding continuous registration for the Spring II Term until March 25. Classes begin March 25. Office hours on board NAS Whiting Field are Wednesdays from 9:00 -4:00 and on board NAS Pensacola from 8:00am -5:00pm Monday through Thursday and 8:00 -4:00 pm on Fridays. Call 458-1098 or email Pensacola@erau.edu.

Avoid this Vodka - Purgatory vodka, which is available through portions of the military exchange system, is a product which may contain or be partially derived from hemp seeds or hemp seed oil. Ingestion of such a product is prohibited, and may be detectable under the Drug Testing Program. Failure to comply with the prohibition on the ingestion of such products is a violation of Article 92, UCMJ.

Upcoming Events

Feb. 18 - President George Washington's Birthday Observed

Feb. 18-22 - 2013 Citadel Shield Exercise

Feb. 21, 1030 - Black History Month Celebration - Auditorium

Feb. 22, 1300 - Winging Ceremony - Base Auditorium

Mar. 15, 1000 - NW Florida Blood Drive - NEX Parking Lot

Mar. 21, 1000 - Training Air Wing FIVE Change of Command

Fleet and Family Support Center Classes

VA Representative - Friday, Feb. 22 from 8 a.m. to noon. (Call 850-623-7177 for appointment)

Time Management - Thursday, Feb. 14 from 1 to 2 p.m.

At the end of the day, do you ask yourself, "Where did the day go?" and feel like you have accomplished very little on your "to do" list? If you answered, "yes" to these questions, this class is for you. The information provided in this class will equip you with tools that will help you make the most of your busy and demanding days. Class will be held at the FFSC conference room. For more information, contact a Work and Family Life Specialist at 850-623-7177.

Money and the Move - Wednesday, Feb. 20 from 1 to 3 p.m.

A Permanent change of Station (PCS) move can be one of the most exciting adventures of your career as well as one of the best benefits. However, a PCS move can also become a financial disaster that can take months to recover from if not properly prepared for. Class will be held at the FFSC conference room. For more information, contact a Work and Family Life Specialist at 850-623-7177.

Applying for Federal Jobs - Monday, Feb. 25 from 10 a.m. to Noon.

Is it worth your while to invest your time and effort in searching and applying for a federal job? If your answer is "yes," then you need to attend this class in order to learn how to prepare the best application possible. You will learn how to read an announcement, analyze core competencies for language, analyze vacancy listing for keywords, and how to apply for jobs. Class will be held at the FFSC conference room. For more information, contact a Work and Family Life Specialist at 850-623-7177.

Home Buying - Tuesday, Feb. 26 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.



The graphic features a blue and white world map background. In the top left, there is a circular logo with a globe and the text "THE AMAZING WORLD OF TRAVEL and RECREATION". In the top right, there are two logos: "MWR NAS WHITING FIELD MORALE, WELFARE & RECREATION" and a triangular logo with "NAS WHITING FIELD" and a stylized figure. A large red airplane silhouette is in the center, with the text "2013 TRAVEL SHOW" written across its fuselage. Below the airplane, the event details are listed in bold blue text: "LOCATION: Atrium - Bldg. 1417", "WHEN: March 1, 2013", and "TIME: 1000-1300". Below this, it says "Open to Active Duty Military Personnel, Retirees, and DOD personnel". At the bottom, a paragraph explains the purpose of the show.

2013 TRAVEL SHOW

LOCATION: Atrium – Bldg. 1417
WHEN: March 1, 2013
TIME: 1000-1300

**Open to Active Duty Military Personnel, Retirees,
and DOD personnel**

The purpose of the Travel Show is to promote reduced rate leisure travel to Military active duty, retirees and DOD. Vendors from various Military Travel Voucher Programs will be on hand. Door prizes will be given during the event.

MWR plans Military Saves Poker Run to encourage fiscal awareness

By Jay Cope, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

The annual Military Saves campaign is designed to enable the entire military community to implement sound fiscal practices into their everyday lives. The first step toward succeeding in that goal is education about what kinds of financial information is available within the military system. Naval Air Station Whiting Field's Morale Welfare and Recreation department and the Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) are working to enhance the financial awareness level of the Sailors, Marines, Airmen and Coast Guardsmen at the base through a Military Saves Poker Run the week of Feb. 25 through March 2.

Funded by a grant from Commander Navy Installations Command (CNIC), the event combines Military Saves' educational initiatives with the fun of a Poker Run contest. The end result will be an enjoyable way to learn about fiscal readiness with the chance to win a few prizes.

"This will be a unique spin on a traditional program," Ashley Platts, the event coordinator stated. "The poker run will combine something fun while highlighting the importance of savings using on base resources."

As opposed to traditional, single-day, poker runs on motorcycles, this event encourages active duty service members to visit various locations on the base and perform a specific action involved with saving money or increasing financial knowledge. Participants have the entire week to complete the course, and upon completion at each station the service member will receive a playing card. The person with the best, five-card, hand at the completion of the contest will win a Pen Air gift card. Other gifts will be presented as well at the closing event at Ace's Pub, Friday at 3:30 p.m.

The course will have six stops: the Liberty Center, Pen Air Federal Credit Union, MWR Outdoor Recreation Center, the Navy Exchange, the commissary, and a rotating option of locations to take the Military Saves Pledge. The schedule for the pledge includes: MWR Coffee Shop from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; the bowling center from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. Tuesday; and the Commissary from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Thursday. The pledge may be taken all week long from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Fleet and Family Support Center.

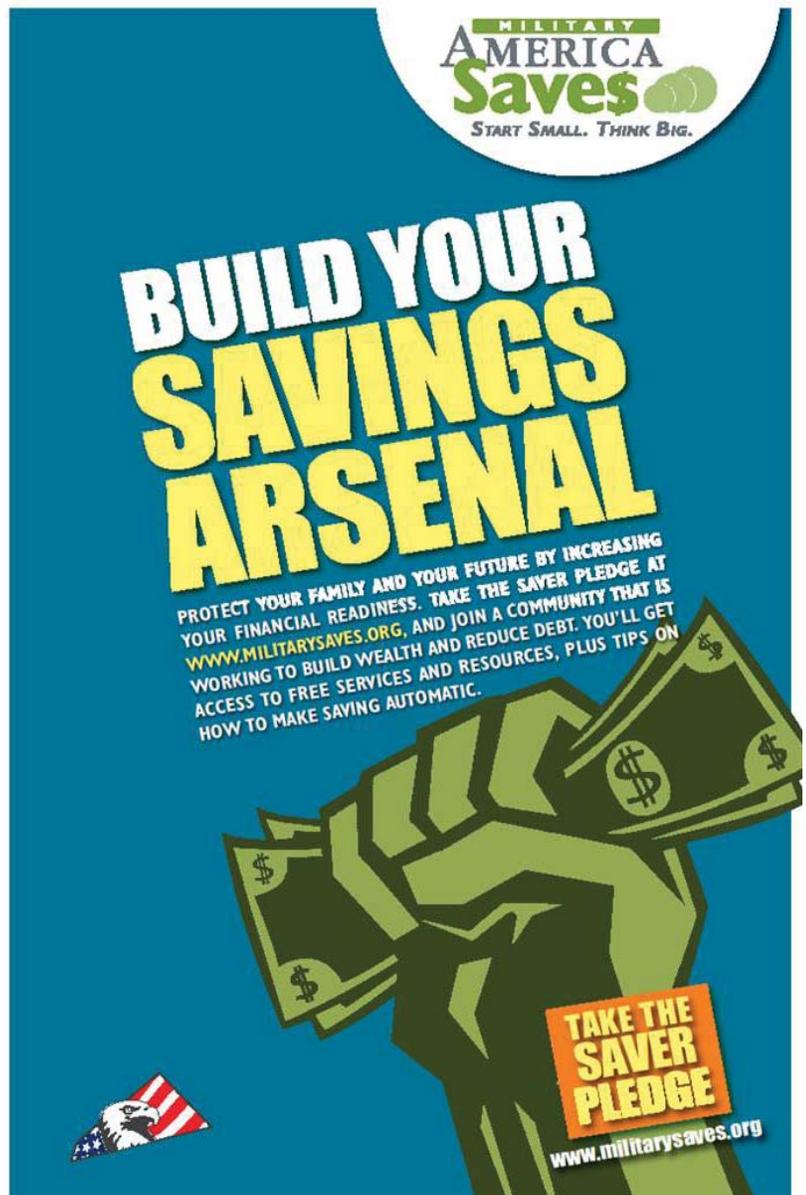
The "Saver's Pledge" is simply an online promise to ones' self that "I will help myself by saving money, reducing debt, and building wealth over time. I will help my family and my country be encouraging other Americans to Build Wealth, Not Debt."

The Military Saves campaign has partnered with the Department of Defense since 2003 to encourage members of the military community to save to-

ward a better financial future. While the campaign includes family members, DoD civilians, and others in their target audience, the poker run is restricted to active duty and reserve service members due to stipulations in the grant that is funding the event.

The poker run is just one of several Military Saves events planned through the week. FFSC has informational tables established at each of the pledge stops to educate on the benefits of saving money. Additionally, classes on budgeting, savings and investing, home buying, the Thrift Savings Plan as well as credit management will be taught throughout the week at FFSC. It is all part of a team effort to help improve the financial lives of people who work at NAS Whiting Field.

"I would really like, at the end of the week, for our base community to understand we have a lot to offer here and that there is a benefit to using our on-base resources," Platts finished.



VITA

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sonnel reductions is the elimination of the volunteer staff required to run this program," he said.

Naval Air Station Pensacola's VITA offices are willing to help, and their assistance team is available by calling (850) 452-5588. There are four locations in the Pensacola military complex. Please see the inset box for hours of operation.

Navywide, VITA is run through the Judge Advocate General's (JAG) office, and the program helps maintain the Navy team's legal readiness and quality of life. The service is provided at no cost to the program patrons, and last year VITA helped save more than \$2.2 million in tax preparation fees. More than \$20 million in tax refunds were generated by the roughly 37,000 federal and state tax returns prepared for VITA customers. On average, a tax preparation company charges approximately \$170 for their services, and many "no-cost" commercial services are in reality, high pressure sales pitches for "cost" services the company provides, according to the JAG website.

Locally, the program has saved military families more than \$42,000 in preparation fees on roughly 320 tax returns totaling in excess of \$480,000 in refunds.

Individuals who would like to have their taxes prepared at a VITA office are asked to bring valid photo identification; W-2 forms for all jobs held by family members; correct social security numbers and dates of birth for all family members; employer ID numbers for child care providers; bank and routing numbers; child care and education expense statements; any other tax forms received; and a copy of last year's return.

Last year Regional Legal Services Offices' (RLSO) tax centers began to shift to "self service" assistance to help teach service members how to prepare their own tax returns. The idea was to help promote financial accountability and teach Sailors, or their families, an enduring life skill. The concept is expanding, and now all four VITA offices at NAS Pensacola are self service programs. The program enables customers to use the free tax filing software on computers established in Navy tax centers with the assistance of IRS-trained volunteers. The returns are processed electronically and generally arrive in about two weeks.

"Our staffing has been reduced about 50 percent, and that's why we moved to the self-help model," said Legalman 1st Class Tiffany Garfield, the Pensacola area VITA coordinator. "Many people have questions about their taxes, and that's why VITA is here. We have a dedicated staff here, and we are more than willing to help."

All four offices are available to assist, but Garfield stresses that non-active duty personnel are likely to be best served by the Bldg. 624 office at the main base. Questions

Pensacola area VITA sites

The following are the hours of operation for the VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) sites onboard NAS Pensacola, Naval Hospital Pensacola (NHP), and CID/NASP Corry Station.

NASP Bldg. 624: Monday-Thursday 8 a.m.-noon, walk-ins only; (1-3 p.m. appointments only). Friday 8 a.m.-noon walk-ins only. Call to make an appointment. (Appointments are only for disabled and wounded warriors).

NATTC Bldg. 3460 Rm. 633: Mon.-Thurs. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. walk-ins only; Friday 10 a.m.-2 p.m. walk-ins only.

NHP (fifth floor): Monday-Friday 8:30-11 a.m. and noon-2:30 p.m.

CID Corry Station Bldg. 511, Rm. 121: Monday-Friday 1-3 p.m. walk-ins only; 4-6 p.m. walk-ins only.

For those who do not qualify for services on base, there are VITA sites in Escambia County. For more information or help with questions, call the United Way's central information site at 595-5905, or (855) 698-9435.

Escambia County sites include:
Pathways for Change Family Center:
2050 W. Blount St., Monday, 2-6 p.m.
Pensacola State College (Pensacola Campus): 1000 College Blvd. (Bldg. 17, Rm. 1715), Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Tuesday-Thursday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Visit <http://myfreetaxes.com/unitedwayescarosa.com> for more information.

should be addressed to that office by phone at 850-452-8594.

The tax filing deadline is April 15 this year, and VITA centers will be open through this date to assist customers. If utilizing services at NAS Pensacola is not feasible, another alternative is to file taxes for free online through Military One Source at <http://www.militaryonesource.mil/>. Military One Source is available to active and reserve service members, their spouses, and DoD civilians and their spouses.

To find the nearest VITA center, or for more information, go to the Navy JAG Corps Web site at <http://www.jag.navy.mil/>.

Chalkboard Minute



Chris Hendrix
School Liaison Officer

The School Liaison Officers from Naval Air Station Pensacola and NAS Whiting Field will host two Parent Information Meetings dealing with Post-Secondary Education. These meetings will take place on Wednesday, February 20, at 10 a.m. in the Atrium Classroom building 1417 onboard NAS Whiting Field. The second meeting will be Thursday, February 21, at 10 a.m. in the Youth Center building 3690 Moffet Road onboard NAS Pensacola. They should last approximately an hour and a half.

These meetings will cover a wide range of topics including helping choose a college or university, filling out the FAFSA for financial aid, the Interstate Compact for Military Children, applying for scholarships, as well as many other topics that we feel will benefit you and your children. Please join us and bring with you any questions you might have. For more information, please contact Chris Hendrix at 850-665-6105 or email him at christopher.p.hendri@navy.mil, or you can contact Carissa Bergosh at 850-293-0322 or email her at carissa.bergosh@navy.mil.

1st Annual Medical Golf Tournament
4-Man Scramble

Thursday, March **14**, 2013
10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

NAS Whiting Field
Golf Course

18 Holes, Lunch Provided
\$45 Singles, \$160 Teams
Money Due by March 7th

Individual & Team Awards, Door Prizes,
Raffles, Mulligans, Tee Busters, Putting
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More Information...
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SECURITY CHECKPOINT



Teen Driving Safety Tips – Now that your teenager has their driving license and ready to drive on their own, there’s some safety tips that you should remind them of when they get behind the wheel. Before You Drive:

- Put on your seat belt and make sure all your passengers buckle up, too.
 - Adjust your car’s headrest to a height behind your head--not your neck--to minimize whiplash in case you’re in an accident.
 - Don’t drive with small children or even small teenage friends as passengers in a front seat that has a passenger-side air bag. They should be buckled up in the back seat. Actually, it’s safer not to drive with friends and kids in the car when you’re learning to drive. They can be distracting.
 - Never try to fit more people in the car than you have seat belts for them to use.
 - Make sure your windshield is clean. At sun rise and sun set, light reflecting off your dirty windshield can momentarily blind you from seeing what’s going on.
 - Make sure your car has gas in it. Don’t ride around with the gauge on empty--who knows where you might get stranded.
 - If parked inside a garage, make sure your garage door is completely open before backing out of it.
- While you drive

- Don’t drive like you own the road; drive like you own the car.
 - Obey the speed limits--going too fast gives you less time to stop or react. Excess speed is one of the main causes of teenage accidents.
 - Obey stop signs and traffic lights -- don’t run yellow or RED lights.
 - When light turns green, make sure the intersection is clear before you go.
 - Use turn signals to indicate your intention to turn or to change lanes. Turn it on to give the drivers behind you enough time to react before you take the action. Also, make sure the signal turns off after you’ve completed the action.
 - Share the road with others – watch out for motorcycles, bikes, and pedestrians.
 - Don’t blast the radio, CD, or MP3 player. You might miss hearing a siren or a horn that could warn you of possible trouble.
 - Don’t talk on the cell phone, text, put on make-up, comb your hair, or eat while driving. If you need to make a call or text someone, pull off the road to a safe spot and park the car.
 - Be aware of the weather, traffic congestion, and road conditions – stay alert!
 - Watch out for potholes, especially after bad weather.
 - Be a courteous and safe driver at all times.
- Tips provided courtesy of TeenDriving.com

Congrats to TRAWING-5 wingers and scholars



First Row: Cmdr. Christopher Pesile, USN, CO, HT-28; 1st Lt. Christopher Mulattieri, USMC; 1st Lt. Madison Stumpp, USMC; Lt. j.g. Lamont Earnest, USN; Ensign Brittany Gilmartin, USN; and Lt. Col. John Payne II, USMC, FITU OIC.

Middle Row: Lt. Col. Robert S. White, USMC, CO, HT-18; Ensign Tracy Fridye, USN; 1st Lt. Derek Munoz, USMC; Lt. j.g. Daniel Efinger, USN; 1st Lt. Thomas Dudro, USMC; and Lt. j.g. John Post, USCG.

Back Row: Cmdr. Paul Bowdich, USN, CO, HT-8; Lt. Matthew Diulio, USCG; 1st Lt. Chad Mckie, USMC; Ensign Austin Wood, USN; Ensign Clinton Ramsden, USN; Ensign James Helvey, USN; Col. James Grace, USMC, Commander, TW-5.



Ensign Ryan Mills, USN receives his Academic Achievement Awards for primary flight training from Col. James Grace, Commodore, Training Air Wing FIVE Feb. 8 at the TRAWING-5 headquarters.

Navy League

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“All of these Sailors share in common remarkable capabilities and atypical personal characteristics such as reliable, self sacrificing, and a willingness to be inconvenienced and steadfast,” said Vandiver.

He ended his remarks with a plea to “keep fighting the fight by keeping the faith.”

After the remarks from Capt. Vandiver, a member from the awardees’ respective commands introduced and elaborated on the service members’ dedication and commitment to the command and community. Each awardee was presented with a letter from Congressman Jeff Miller, U.S. House District One; letter from the Santa Rosa County Board of County Commissioners; a \$100 gift card from Pen Air Federal Credit Union; a letter and \$25 gift certificate to Blackwater Bistro compliments of the City of Milton and presented by former Whiting Field commanding officer, Brian Watkins; and a \$25 dollar gift card from Navy Federal Credit Union.

2012 Senior Sailors of the Year were: Hospital Corpsmen 1st Class Octave Dealmina, USN, Naval Branch Health Clinic NAS Whiting Field; Naval Aircrewman Helicopter 1st Class Robert Wells, USN Helicopter Training Squadron TWENTY EIGHT; Masters-at-Arms 1st Class Adam Turner, USN, NAS Whiting Field; Naval Aircrewman Helicopter 2nd Class Chastain Johnson, USN, Helicopter Training Squadron EIGHTEEN; Naval Aircrewman 2nd Class Nathan Furry, USN Helicopter Training Squadron EIGHT.

Hospital Corpsmen 2nd Class Jesse Hernandez, USN, Naval Branch Health Clinic NAS Whiting Field; Masters-at-Arms 2nd Class Erica Roten, USN, NAS Whiting Field were recognized as the Junior Sailors of the Year.

Aviation Boatswain Mate Handler 3rd Class Andan Rempel, USN, NAS Whiting Field; Hospital Corpsmen 3rd Class Joshua Soutillo, USN, Naval Branch Health Clinic NAS Whiting Field received honors as the BlueJackets of the Year.

Flight Instructors of the Year were: Lt. James Willette, USN, Training Squadron TWO; Lt. Chris Harrison, USN, Training Squadron THREE; Lt. Justin Kalnoske, USN, Training Squadron SIX; Lt. Kent Gebicke, USN, Helicopter Training Squadron EIGHT; Lt. Dan Marzluff, USN, Helicopter Training Squadron EIGHTEEN; Lt. Nobushige Umemura, USN, Helicopter Training Squadron TWENTY EIGHT; Lt. Cmdr. Thomas Lami, USN, Training Air Wing FIVE Reserve Component.



Navy League Santa Rosa Council representatives Walt Reese and Jayer Williamson bookend the 2012 Flight Instructors of the Year: Lt. Cmdr. Thomas Lami; Lt. Kent Gebicke; Lt. Dan Marzluff; Lt. Justin Kalnoske; Lt. Chris Harrison; Lt. James Willette; Lt. Nobushige Umemura; Jayer Williamson, Friday, Feb. 8. U.S. Navy photo by Ensign Robert Luers.



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Liberty trips are limited to single or unaccompanied active-duty members. After Feb 1, any available spots for the trip will be open to all active-duty members.

BBC to offer military family scholarships

By Balfour Beatty Communities

Recognizing the importance of education and its continuing rising costs, Balfour Beatty Communities Foundation is once again offering scholarships for the 2013-2014 academic year to high school and undergraduate students of military members residing in family housing.

"We encourage our family housing residents with high school and undergraduate students to apply for Balfour Beatty Communities Foundation scholarships," said Chris Williams, president of BBC Foundation, "it's a difficult economy out there and every bit helps."

Scholarships are valued up to \$2,500 with the possibility of being larger for exceptional submissions. The application details and requirements can be found at www.bbcommunitiesfoundation.org. The application deadline is April 15, 2013.

Balfour Beatty Communities, responsible for the privatized family housing at NAS Whiting Field, formed Balfour Beatty Communities Foundation, a non-profit organization committed to honoring military personnel – active, disabled and fallen – and their families in 2009.

One of the primary goals of the Foundation is to promote the pursuit of education and a commitment to community leadership through educational scholarships to the children of active duty military members that reside in family housing.

According to Williams, "Balfour Beatty Communities is committed to providing a quality living environment that supports the diverse interests and needs of our military families. Through Balfour Beatty Communities Foundation, we say thank you for the work that military members do and the sacrifices their families make."

Legal Notices from the region - court-martial cases

Courts-martial in Navy Region Southeast recently heard the following cases:

At a General Court-Martial convened on board NS Mayport, a Lieutenant (Junior Grade) was found guilty of attempted wrongful sexual contact, violating a lawful general regulation by wrongfully engaging in sexual conduct with an E-3, and wrongful sexual contact. The military judge sentenced the Accused to three months confinement, forfeiture of all pay and allowances, and a dismissal.

At a General Court-Martial convened on board NAS Jacksonville, a Petty Officer First Class was found guilty of soliciting to transfer control of a minor with knowledge that the minor would engage in prostitution, traveling for the purpose of engaging in unlawful sexual conduct with a person believed to be a child after using a cell phone to solicit a person believed to be a custodian or guardian of a child to consent to the participation of the child in sexual conduct, and using a cell phone to solicit to transfer control

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The Information Tickets and Travel (ITT) office has discounted tickets to the Kid Rock Rebel Soul concert Feb. 20 at the Pensacola Bay Fest Center. Tickets to the 7 p.m. show are normally \$49.50 plus tax, but for a limited time, active duty service members can purchase these tickets for \$40.00 and for other authorized patrons the price is \$42.50. Call 850-623-7032 for details.

of a minor with knowledge that, as a consequence of the transfer, the minor would engage in prostitution. The military judge sentenced the Accused to 14 years confinement, total forfeiture of all pay and allowances, reduction in rate to E-1, and a dishonorable discharge.

At a General Court-Martial convened on board NAS Jacksonville, an Airman was found guilty of failure to obey a lawful order (3 specifications) and assault consummated by a battery (3 specifications). The military judge sentenced the Accused to 18 months confinement, reduction in rate to E-1, and a bad conduct discharge.

Courts-martial in Navy Region Southeast are tried with few exceptions at NAS Jacksonville, NS Mayport, and NAS Pensacola. Therefore, the location of where a court-martial described above was convened does not necessarily correlate to the command that convened the court-martial. Adjudged sentences may be modified by pre-trial agreement or clemency.