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NAS Whiting Field Closes Storied Golf Course

By: Jay Cope, NAS Whiting Field, Public Affairs

Seeing the orange and white training aircraft taking off over the 6th hole will be a sight sorely missed by the avid golfers of Naval Air Station Whiting Field now that the Frank W. Dahlinger Golf Course has closed its gates. The 67 year-old course said farewell to its last patrons Sunday, May 31.

First opened in 1948, the golf course was originally built by Navy Sea Bees as a nine-hole course which was later expanded to 18 holes in 1965. Placed next to the east/west runway of the installation's North Field, the steady traffic of airplanes flying over the course was one of the unique aspects of play there.

"It is truly disappointing to have to oversee the closure of a Naval Air Station Whiting Field landmark, however, financially, the course is unsustainable and simply costs more to operate than the revenue it brings in," NAS Whiting Field Commanding Officer Capt. Todd



Tracy Allen and former NAS Whiting Field Executive Officer Gregory Gray watch their team-mate's putt approach the hole during the final tournament at the Frank W. Dahlinger Golf Course, May 29. The course closed for good, June 1. U.S. Navy photo by Jay Cope.

Bahlau stated.

The golf course has run in the red for many years and is not a self-sustaining operation as directed by Navy guidelines on such facilities. Over the years, a combination of an economic downturn, strengthened base security posture and the rise in cost of expenses have resulted in an inability of the course to break even financially.

The decision to close the course was made back in February, but the facility was kept open to ensure patrons had an opportunity to get a few rounds in before closing. The final weekend was a flurry of activity to do just that as the NAS Whiting Field Navy Ball committee hosted a final tournament Friday, May 29 and the base featured 1948 pricing of \$3 per round walking and \$6 per round with cart Sunday. Both

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Cover: National Naval Aviation Museum Historian Hill Goodspeed speaks about the aviators who fought during the Battle of Midway during Naval Air Station Whiting Field's commemoration to the turning point of the war in the Pacific. U.S. Navy photo by Ensign Andrew Groh.

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Mulligans Brings New Menu Items to the Table

By: Jay Cope, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

With only a few months under her belt, Naval Air Station Whiting Field's new Food and Beverage Manager has already started to make her presence felt at Mulligans. Establishing a new set of lunch specials and a selection of new menu items, Darlene Allen is working hard to meet the food service needs of the Whiting Field team.

Starting May 1, Allen set up a new sequence of daily specials to focus more on home cooking and southern style food. Examples include: shepherd's pie, meatloaf, barbecue sandwiches, baked ziti, country fried steak, and more.

"All these service members are away from home and balanced meals are hard to come by," she said. "Mulligans is really the only place on base where we are able to provide that."

Allen emphasized that she "loves" doing menus and that the hardest part is getting people out to Mulligans to come try them. Especially with the golf course now closed, the café is a little out of the way, and takes an extra effort to visit. Providing a little home touch is one way she hopes to reach a new audience.

So far, the reception has been mostly positive.

"Patrons have been telling us they really like it and will be back," Allen said about the new offerings.

Anyone who has visited Mulligans this month may have also noticed the new menu items which have

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OPM to Notify Employees of Cybersecurity Incident

By: Office of Personnel Management



WASHINGTON, DC – The U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) has identified a cybersecurity incident potentially affecting personnel data for current and former federal employees, including personally identifiable information (PII).

Within the last year, the OPM has undertaken an aggressive effort to update its cybersecurity posture, adding numerous tools and capabilities to its networks. As a result, in April 2015, OPM detected a cyber-intrusion affecting its information technology (IT) systems and data. The intrusion predated the adoption of the tougher security controls.

OPM has partnered with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Computer Emergency Readiness Team (US-CERT) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to determine the full impact to Federal personnel. OPM continues to improve security for the sensitive information it manages and evaluates its IT security protocols on a continuous basis to protect sensitive data to the greatest extent possible.

Since the intrusion, OPM has instituted additional network security precautions, including: restricting remote access for network administrators and restricting network administration functions remotely; a review of all connections to ensure that only legitimate business connections have access to the internet; and deploying anti-malware software across the environment to protect and prevent the deployment or execution of tools that could compromise the network.

As a result of the incident, OPM will send notifications to approximately 4 million individuals whose PII may have been compromised. Since the investigation is on-going, additional PII exposures may come to light; in that case, OPM will conduct additional notifications as necessary. In order to mitigate the risk of fraud and identity theft, OPM is offering credit report access, credit monitoring and identify theft insurance and recovery services to potentially affected individuals through CSID®, a company that specializes in these services. This comprehensive, 18-month membership includes credit monitoring and \$1 million in identity theft protection services at no cost to enrollees.

"Protecting our Federal employee data from malicious cyber incidents is of the highest priority at OPM," said OPM Director Katherine Archuleta. "We take very seriously our responsibility to secure the information stored in our systems, and in coordination with our agency partners, our experienced team is constantly identifying opportunities to further protect the data with which we are entrusted."

OPM has issued the following guidance to affected individuals:

- Monitor financial account statements and immediately report any suspicious or unusual activity to financial institutions.
- Request a free credit report at www.AnnualCreditReport.com or by calling 1-877-322-8228. Consumers are entitled by law to one free credit report per year from each of the three major credit bureaus – Equifax®, Experian®, and TransUnion® – for a total of three reports every year. Contact information for the credit bureaus can be found on the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) website, www.ftc.gov.
- Review resources provided on the FTC identity theft website, www.identitytheft.gov. The FTC maintains a variety of consumer publications providing comprehensive information on computer intrusions and identity theft.
- You may place a fraud alert on your credit file to let creditors know to contact you before opening a new account in your name. Simply call TransUnion® at 1-800-680-7289 to place this alert. TransUnion® will then notify the other two credit bureaus on your behalf.

How to avoid being a victim:

- Be suspicious of unsolicited phone calls, visits,

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This Day in Naval History

June 9, 1813 - During the War of 1812, the frigate, President, commanded by John Rodgers, is en route between the Azores and England when it begins a series of captures of British vessels that include the brig Kitty, the packet brig Duke of Montrose, the brig Maria, and the schooner Falcon.

June 9, 1869 - Secretary of the Navy Adolph E. Borie, orders the construction of the first torpedo station on Goat Island, Newport, R.I. Cmdr. Edmund O. Matthews is the first Commanding Officer. During the establishment, the station experiments with torpedoes and trained sailors in the use of the weapons.

June 10, 1854 - The first formal graduation exercises are held at the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md. Previous classes graduated without a ceremony. Rear Adm. Thomas O. Selfridge and Rear Adm. Joseph N. Miller are two of the six graduates that year.

June 10, 2006 - USS Farragut (DDG 99) is commissioned at Mayport, Fla., her homeport. The 49th Arleigh Burke-class destroyer is the fifth Navy ship named for Adm. David Farragut.

June 11, 1898 - During the Spanish American War, 1st Lt. Herbert Draper, USMC, First Marine Battalion, raises the U.S. flag for the first time at Camp McCalla, Guantanamo, Cuba.

News and Notes

Make a Suggestion

NAS Whiting Field Commanding Officer Capt. Todd Bahlau now has a suggestion box on the installation website. To make a suggestion, just follow the link to the page and fill out the information and click the submit button. The link is: http://cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrse/installations/nas_whiting_field/about/cosuggestion.html. **The link is not currently operational as the CNIC servers are being restored, but the link should be working again soon.**

New Pool Hours

MWR has extended their pool hours to include extra time Tuesday and Thursday mornings. The new hours are: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, the pool will retain their 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. hours but on Tuesdays and Thursdays, the pool will open at 6 a.m. and remain open until 6 p.m.

Parent's Night Out

NASWF Chapel's first Parent's Night Out will be hosted by New Life Baptist Church in Milton on Friday 26 June 2015 from 1700-2100. This opportunity provides free childcare for ages 6 weeks to 6th grade, and more importantly a well-deserved evening for mom and dad to have a night out. Please contact the Chaplain's Office at 623-7211 to register your children before 19 June.

Feds Feeds Families

It's that time of year again for our annual Feds Feed Families Campaign at NASWF. The 2015 campaign will begin mid-June and conclude at the end of August to support the efforts of Bay Area Food Bank.

CNIC has tasked the Command Religious Programs at each installation to coordinate the "Feds Feed Families"



Stepping Up the Ladder

Naval Air Station Whiting Field Commanding Officer Capt. Todd Bahlau congratulates newly-frocked Petty Officer Second Class Daniel Adams in the Operations Auditorium Tuesday, June 9. Adams was one of more than 20 Sailors on the installation to be selected for advancement this cycle. U.S. Navy photo by Jay Cope.

lies" Campaign aboard their respective installations. We collected 3,238 lbs in 2013 and 2,338 lbs in 2014. Our goal is to surpass what we collected last year! Our strategy is to continue to partner with the NASWF Commissary through \$5 and \$10 bags of groceries to donate to the cause. These bags will be collected by the Commissary team, and can be purchased at check out with the cashiers. Participants who purchase bags will be entered into a drawing for prizes every other week. Region Southeast has led the Navy, which has led the DoD, for the past several years. We hope that through your generosity this record of success continues...but most importantly, our desire is to assist people and families in our local community during difficult times.

Softball Tournament

The Navy Ball Committee is sponsoring a softball tournament at the NAS Whiting Field softball complex Saturday, June 20 beginning at 9 a.m. The first eight teams to sign up will be accepted in the double elimination format tournament. Cost is \$120 per team. All games will be under a one-hour time limit. The first place team will win shirts and a team trophy. Second place will receive a team trophy. For more information contact Aviation Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class Woodruff or Ugalde at 817-871-0135 or 808-236-6661 respectively.

ITT Special

Wild Adventures Georgia is giving 3 free days for military, active, retired, disabled or reserve over the July 4 weekend! As always, military family members get the best ticket price through ITT. For more information call ITT 850-665-6250 or 850-623-7032.

FFSC Closure

The Fleet and Family Support Center will be closed June 24 for staff training. Routine services and computer café will not be available. On call staff will be available to respond to an emergency. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Usage Information

Total Used

1,992,917 kWh

| | 1 Year Ago | Last Month | This Month |
|------------------------|------------|------------|------------------|
| Total kWh Used | 1,974,525 | 1,899,155 | 1,992,917 |
| Average Daily kWh | 63,694 | 63,305 | 64,288 |
| Days In Billing Period | 31 | 30 | 31 |

Energy Conservation

Conserving energy remains an important goal in the operation of NAS Whiting Field. Steps taken during the past year by Public Works continue to pay dividends in our energy conservation programs. However, costs last month exceeded costs for May 2014. Help decrease usage by turning off lights, shutting down computers and printers, and limiting use of non-essential equipment.

NAS Whiting Field would like to recognize the following buildings for last month's highest year-over-year energy reductions. Congratulations to HT-8/18 for their successful energy savings efforts for April as compared to 2014.

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| 3026 | Security | -4.6% |
| 2941 | NF Maintenance | -6.9% |
| 2977 | HT-8/18 | -9.3% |

NAS Whiting Field Commemorates the Role of Aviation and Aviators in Battle of Midway



The official party stands at attention as the NAS Whiting Field Color Guard Team parade the colors for the start of the installation's Battle of Midway commemoration, Thursday, June 4. The event recognized the turning point of the war in the Pacific as well as the most decisive Naval battle in U.S. history. U.S. Navy photo by Jay Cope.

By Jay Cope, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

The personal stories of veterans of the Battle of Midway took center stage at Naval Air Station Whiting Field June 4 as the installation paused and took time to honor the sacrifice and courage that changed the course of a war and a nation 73 years ago. From the opening video to the commanding officer's introductory remarks to the guest speaker's vignettes the command's Battle of Midway commemoration focused on individuals immersed in the conflict as opposed to grand strategies, flag officers, or ships of the line. The event was all the more meaningful because of that singular focus.

More than 150 students, instructors, service members and civilians entered to hear the memories of six Battle of Midway survivors. The video, produced by...recorded pilots, enlisted ship crewmembers, and officers as they recollected friends lost, a beloved sinking ship, and the relief of victory.

"[USS Hammann (DD 412)] carried something like 300 people on her. I think they saved about 70. We were on deck looking and they were calling for help and we couldn't do a dang thing. That really got to me," said Chief Steward Andrew Mills about his time on USS Yorktown

during the battle and the sinking of Hammann. Later, as the Yorktown was going down and the Sailors were evacuated onto other ships, Mills got one last view. "The captain called down and said 'will, all Yorktown people come up to the deck and look at your ship for the last time.' I stood at attention and cried because that was my home."

NAS Whiting Field Commanding Officer Capt. Todd Bahlau, lightened the mood a little when recounting how the installation's first commanding officer, Capt. Sanford Meade, was also a Yorktown officer and a survivor of the battle. According to an article from the Traverse City Record-Eagle dated June 22, 1998, long after Meade retired he spoke about the famous conflict and the effort to locate the wreckage.

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Bravo-Zulu to TRAWING-5 Scholars



Congratulations to Training Air Wing FIVE's Academic Achievement Award recipients for May 22 (left) and May 29. The fifteen student aviators were tops in their success during the academic portion of flight training. U.S. Navy photos courtesy of TRAWING-5.

Around the Base

Mulligans

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been incorporated. Additional sandwiches, wraps and salads have been added in an effort to expand the menu and appeal to a broader audience. Items such as: the BLT wrap, Chicken Cordon Bleu sandwich, Club Salad and California Reuben should provide choices not available elsewhere on the base.

More items will be added until she will have the whole new menu incorporated by June 15. Allen believes the new fare will be especially popular with women.

“It was kind of a guy-dominated menu before. The healthier, lighter choices should be more appealing to women.”

Allen’s 15 years owning her own restaurants, Uptown Café in Crestview and The Dinette in Florilla, Ala., provides a solid basis to determine how to meet customer desires. She also recently worked as the Assistant Manager of Legends, a club on Eglin AFB.

Part of the process in enhancing the quality of the food has included a change in vendors which brings a higher quality, albeit more expensive, set of ingredients for the Mulligan team to create a better product.

“We are very excited about Darlene coming to work for MWR as our Food and Beverage Manager. She brings a wealth of industry knowledge and has a true sense for what the customers want. We hope everyone has a chance to stop by the golf course snack bar (now Mulligans) to try one of her home cooked meals or one of the other new menu items. They won’t be disappointed!” MWR Director Joe Vukovcan stated.



Training Air Wing FIVE flight students sample some of the food at Mulligans during lunch, Wednesday, June 10. With a new daily special calendar and more than a dozen new menu items, Mulligans is working hard to meet the dining needs for NAS Whiting Field. U.S. Navy photo by Ensign Jeremy Griffin.

Mulligan’s JUNE 2015 Menu

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 10:00 AM UNTIL 1:30 PM

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| | 1 Sheppard’s Pie Sweet Peas or Corn Roll | 2 Boston Butt Rice & Pork Gravy Steamed Cabbage or Fr. Okra Roll | 3 Fried Chicken Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Gr. beans or Corn on cob Cole Slaw & roll | 4 Country Fried Steak w/white gravy garlic roasted potatoes baby limas or peas & roll | 5 Fried Catfish Fries or Cheese grits Fr. Okra or Collards Slaw & hushpuppies | 6 |
| 7 | 8 BBQ Chicken Baked Mac & Cheese Brussel sprouts or Fr.okra Roll | 9 3 Beef Tacos Refried Beans Spanish Rice | 10 Fried Chicken Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Green beans or Fr. Okra Cole Slaw & roll | 11 Fried Pork Chops Roasted New Potatoes Green Peas or Broccoli Griddle Corn bread | 12 Blackened Mahi Sandwich Fries & Cole Slaw | 13 |
| 1 | 15 Country Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes & Brown Gravy Sweet carrots or Fr. Okra Roll | 16 Beef or Chicken Taco Salad In Fried Tortilla Shell, lettuce, Tomato, cheese, meat, beans, Salsa & Sour Cream | 17 Fried Chicken Mashed Potatoes w/gravy Fried Corn on Cob or Okra Cole Slaw & roll | 18 Spaghetti & Meat Meat Sauce Side Salad Garlic Bread | 19 Fried Catfish Fries or Cheese grits Fr. Okra or broccoli Slaw & hushpuppies | 20 |
| 21 | 22 Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Corn or Fried Okra Roll | 23 Beef & Broccoli Teriyaki Over rice Spring Roll | 24 Fried Chicken Creamed Potatoes Corn or Fried Squash Cole Slaw & roll | 25 JUMBO BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich Fries & Baked Beans Cole Slaw | 26 Shrimp Basket Fries, Cole Slaw & hushpuppies | 27 |
| 2 | 29 Cheesy Baked Ziti Side Salad Garlic Bread | 30 Pepper Steak Over rice Baby lima beans or corn Roll | | | NOW CUTTING OUR OWN PORK CHOPS FOR THICKER, JUICIER CHOPS! | |

Around the Base



Free DoD Leadership Program (DEFY) Open For Registration (9-12 Year Olds Only)

Hurry limited spaces are available!

What Is DEFY

Drug Education for Youth (DEFY) is a self-esteem building program that provides kids with the tools they need to resist drugs, gangs, and alcohol.

DEFY is sponsored by the local command and is FREE for any military, retired, or DOD employee children ages 9-12. Availability is based on a first come first serve basis.

A two-phase program, DEFY begins with Phase I in the summer with a 5-day/4-night overnight leadership program 10-14 Aug 2015. Phase I will be located at Camp Timpooshee Niceville, FL (about an hour drive from base). This challenging, fun-filled camp is followed by a year of mentoring known as Phase II. Phase II will meet on a monthly basis to continue the curriculum along with a lot of fun activities. Most participants gain a great deal from the DEFY experience. They make lasting friendships and learn a lot about themselves.

DEFY focuses on building youngsters' self-image and setting goals. It stresses interpersonal relations and emphasizes leadership and teamwork. Along the way it raises awareness of the harmful effects of alcohol and other drugs, as well as the dangerous effects of peer pressure and joining gangs. The structured curriculum offers education, skill development, and physical fitness. DEFY is all about creating positive experiences so that kids will choose healthy alternatives instead of substance abuse and gang involvement.

In essence, the DEFY program provides leadership to kids and thereby strengthens our military communities.

Phase I covers:

- Goal setting
- Leadership and teamwork
- Physical fitness
- Substance abuse prevention and refusal skills
- Self-esteem enhancement

Phase II is designed to reinforce the concepts and training received in Phase I. During the school year, mentors and staff provide positive support during group mentoring sessions and interactive workshops.

DEFY is also looking for more Mentors. Please Contact AC2 Martin at Talyssa.Martin@navy.mil for more information and/or questions

Eco-nomics

Cooling Strategies to Save Energy

1. Don't set your thermostat at a colder setting than normal when you turn on your air conditioner. It will NOT cool faster. It WILL cool to a lower temperature than you need and use more energy.
2. To operate your air conditioner unit more efficiently, turn on your ceiling fans. These fans create air movement across the skin, lowering skin temperature through evaporation. The homeowner can thus raise the air conditioning thermostat setting up to 4 degrees F without any decrease in comfort. Each degree you raise the thermostat above 78 degrees F you save about 7 to 8 percent on your electric cooling costs.
3. Use landscaping, awnings, and overhangs to shade the outside of your house in summer. A shaded house costs less to cool than one in direct sunlight.
4. When possible, use fans to keep cool instead of an air conditioner. Fans consume only a small fraction of the energy of an air conditioner.
5. If you plan to leave for a few minutes or more, turn the fan off. Letting it run wastes energy and does nothing to cool the room. In fact, the heat from the motor actually warms the room a little.
6. Clean the outside condenser coils of your heat pump or central air conditioner.
7. If you live in a warm or hot climate, consider adding a radiant barrier to your attic. A radiant barrier is a shiny surfaced material, such as an aluminum-coated plastic sheeting, installed in the attic such that the shiny surface faces an air space (the attic space or air space between the barrier and the roof sheathing). Radiant barriers reduce summer heat gain by reflecting much of the heat radiated from the roof back to the roof.
8. When it's time to shop for a new air conditioner, select a unit with a high Seasonal Energy Efficiency Ratio (central air units) or Energy Efficiency Ratio (window units). For humid climates, select a unit that also does a good job of dehumidifying and don't buy a unit larger than you need.
9. Set the fan speed of your central air conditioner on high except in very humid weather. When it's humid, set the speed on low; you will get less cooling but more moisture will be removed from the air which will make it feel cooler.
 - Air conditioning energy use can be reduced 40 percent or more by shading windows and walls. Position trees and shrubs to keep the sunshine off the building and nearby ground.
 - If every household in the United States lowered its average heating temperature 6 degrees over a 24-hour period, we would save the equivalent of more than 570,000 barrels of oil per day.

Around the Base

Golf Course

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NAS Whiting Field Commanding Officer Capt. C.L. Sanderin dedicates the golf course as the Frank W. Dahlinger Golf Course with several family members, including his widow Carole, in attendance.

events were extremely successful with more than 90 participants in the tournament and a banner day of over 110 golfers May 31. The final golfers stepped off the venerable course around 8 p.m. with Marine reservist Sgt. Jordan Perry, Jacob Perry and Chris Martilliano the group taking the final strokes.

Thanks to the efforts of the MWR staff and the strong turnout, the Navy Ball Committee was able to raise more than \$2,000 for the event.

Although play has stopped on the course, much of the work required to close the course still has to be completed. Throughout the last six months, the emphasis has continued to be on providing golfers a quality course and good playing experience. Now the focus shifts to transferring or dispensing of equipment, closing out inventory, and doing a final clean-up of the course.

Most of the equipment is slated for transfer to other installation golf courses throughout the region, although some will be retained for grounds maintenance and some will be sold via sealed bids. Much of the acreage will be allowed to go back to nature, although areas near the airfields will be kept clear and the land around Mulligans will be maintained.

Future uses for the old course have yet to be determined although a fitness trail or paintball course have been discussed. MWR is performing a feasibility study to determine the costs versus the benefits of such endeavors. Other ideas are welcome and may be submitted

through the CO Suggestion Boxes around the base or online. Since most future uses would fall under the same fiscal requirements as the golf course, interest by patrons in using a proposed new facility would be of extreme importance to the MWR staff.

"I very much would like to see what people think is a good idea," said MWR Director Joe Vukovcan. "We are already looking at other facilities around the region to see what works at their installations."

One hope is that Mulligan's will continue to draw enough patrons to expand its use to a Community Center type of complex. Already, it is available for rent to use for parties or receptions that warrant a more intimate setting than Sikes Hall. Mulligans is keeping lunch hours for 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and is actually expanding its menu options and specials. The driving range will also stay in operation and will be available to patrons for free use. Range balls will be provided for as long as they last.

Placed on the Florida Heritage Trail of historic golf courses in 2014, it is disappointing for many people to see this piece of NAS Whiting Field history fade away. The course was named for a former Training Squadron THREE (VT-3) commanding officer who died during a training accident in 1986. Cmdr. Dahlinger and Ensign Thomas Washington crashed a T-34 aircraft at Summerdale Airfield in Alabama. In the short nine months he was in command of the squadron, more than 680 students trained with VT-3 and the unit earned the Training Effectiveness Award from the Chief of Naval Air Training.

Before the final tournament, Bahlau emphasized that closing the facility was one of the hardest decisions he ever had to make as a commanding officer, and assured the players that Dahlinger and the course would be remembered in some fashion.

A 34-page petition to keep the Dahlinger Golf Course displayed its popularity with the local area, and Vukovcan knows the course cannot readily be replaced.

"The course was a tremendous MWR facility for 67 years," he said. "We will work hard to ensure that what comes next will also be a great asset to the Whiting Field team.



Cmdr. Frank W. Dahlinger

Nearly 30 years ago on June 14, 1985 Cmdr. Frank W. Dahlinger assumed command of Training Squadron THREE. It was, sadly, to be his final tour of duty as just nine-months later, he and a student aviator, Ensign Thomas Washington, were killed in a T-34 aircraft accident at Summerdale Airfield in Alabama.

By all accounts, Dahlinger was an inspirational leader and enthusiastic commanding officer who guided the Red Knights to a nomination for the Vice Admiral Towers Flight Safety Award and received the Chief of Naval Air Training Command Training Effectiveness Award.

A native of Nashville, Tenn., Dahlinger graduated from Vanderbilt University with a B.E in electrical engineering. He was commissioned in June 1967 through the NROTC Program after receiving his M.S., also from Vanderbilt. He earned his Wings of Gold in November 1968 and was assigned to Patrol Squadron SIX at NAS Barbers Point, Hi. He then was transferred to Dallas, Tex. to serve as the Officer Programs Officer for the Navy Recruiting District. In 1975, he was assigned to USS Franklin D. Roosevelt (CV 42) for two years. His next tour took him to the staff of Operational Test and Evaluation Force with the Ocean Surveillance Division. Patrol Squadron FORTY-NINE in Jacksonville, Fla was his next destination where he was named the Administrative Officer and Aircraft Maintenance Officer. He stayed in Jacksonville for his next assignment as Training Officer of the East Coast P-3 Fleet Replacement Squadron, Patrol Squadron THIRTY. This was his final duty station before reporting to Training Squadron THREE.

He posthumously received the Meritorious Service Medal.

Around the Fleet

OPM

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or email messages from individuals asking about employees or other internal information. If an unknown individual claims to be from a legitimate organization, try to verify his or her identity directly with the company.

- Do not provide personal information or information about your organization, including its structure or networks, unless you are certain of a person's authority to have the information.

- Do not reveal personal or financial information in email, and do not respond to email solicitations for this information. This includes following links sent in email.

- Do not send sensitive information over the Internet before checking a website's security (for more information, see Protecting Your Privacy, <http://www.us-cert.gov/ncas/tips/ST04-013>).

- Pay attention to the URL of a website. Malicious websites may look identical to a legitimate site, but the URL may use a variation in spelling or a different domain (e.g., .com vs. .net).

- If you are unsure whether an email request is legitimate, try to verify it by contacting the company directly. Do not use contact information provided on a website connected to the request; instead, check previous statements for contact information. Information about known phishing attacks is also available online from groups such as the Anti-Phishing Working Group (<http://www.antiphishing.org>).

- Install and maintain anti-virus software, firewalls, and email filters to reduce some of this traffic (for more information, see Understanding Firewalls, <http://www.us-cert.gov/ncas/tips/ST04-004>; Understanding Anti-Virus Software, <http://www.us-cert.gov/ncas/tips/ST04-005>; and Reducing Spam, <http://www.us-cert.gov/ncas/tips/ST04-007>).

- Take advantage of any anti-phishing features offered by your email client and web browser.

- Employees should take steps to monitor their personally identifiable information and report any suspected instances of identity theft to the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center at www.ic3.gov.

Potentially affected individuals can obtain additional information about the steps they can take to avoid identity theft from the following agencies. The FTC also encourages those who discover that their information has been misused to file a complaint with them.

For California Residents: Visit the California Office of Privacy Protection (www.privacy.ca.gov) for additional information on protection against identity theft

For Kentucky Residents: Office of the Attorney General of Kentucky, 700 Capitol Avenue, Suite 118 Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, www.ag.ky.gov Telephone: 1-502-696-5300

For Maryland Residents: Office of the Attorney General of Maryland, Consumer Protection Division, 200 St. Paul Place, Baltimore, MD 21202, www.oag.state.md.us/Consumer, Telephone: 1-888-743-0023

For North Carolina Residents: Office of the Attorney General of North Carolina, 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001, www.ncdoj.com/, Telephone: 1-919-716-6400

For all other US Residents: Identity Theft Clearinghouse, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580, www.consumer.gov/idtheft, 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338), TDD: 1-202-326-2502.

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Department of the Navy to observe 2015 Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Month

Editor's Note: The Navy issued a memorandum in recognition of LGBT Pride Month, May 28. Here is the full text of the document.

In recognition of June as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month, the Department of the Navy (DON) celebrates the sweeping changes of the past year that advance a culture of inclusion for all DON employees. The 2015 theme for Pride Month is Leadership, which is an appropriate way to celebrate these important changes that ensure equality in the workplace.

In April of 2014, the Department of Defense re-issued its Human Goals Charter to specifically include the sexual preference of military personnel, thereby aligning the values of diversity and inclusion. As the Charter states, "We gain a strategic advantage through the diversity of our total force and create a culture of inclusion where individuals as drawn to serve, are valued and actively contribute to overall mission success." In July 2014, President Obama signed an executive order protecting federal employees from discrimination on the basis of gender identity. This was followed in September 2014 by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's (EEOC) filing of two historic lawsuits concerning discrimination against transgender people. For the first time the protections of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act

of 1964 were applied by EEOC to challenge discrimination based upon gender identity. These actions are the result of committed leaders, both within the LGBT community and throughout government.

Leadership at all levels of the organization by both military and civilians is essential to eliminating discrimination and encouraging the acceptance of differences. All DON employees are entitled to acceptance and respect in the workplace in order to achieve their personal aspirations as they contribute to the overall mission of the organization. This is only achievable when we all act as leaders in support of diversity and a culture of inclusion- a culture that includes the LGBT community. We acknowledge the DON LGBT community as a vital force in our work and integral part of our success.

I ask that all personnel of the U.S. Navy, the Secretariat and the U.S. Marine Corps affirm a commitment to the tenets of equality, diversity, and inclusion during Pride Month 2015 in order to draw on the full contributions of the entire DON population.

Signed by,
 Juan M. Garcia
 Assistant Secretary of the Navy
 (Manpower & Reserve Affairs)

Force Protection-Why Me?

- What everyone should be ready to do in this precarious time

By Ensign Margaret Gresham, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

The world can be a dangerous place, especially now as the nation continues to be engaged in a war against a faceless and nationless enemy with conflicting ambitions and ideologies. While responding to this real and present danger, all members of the Naval Air Station Whiting Field team must remain vigilant throughout the execution of daily responsibilities. America is in a constant fight in the War on Terror. It's a threat that is not going away soon, so everyone must learn to recognize and respond to potential acts of terrorism.

Terrorism is the calculated use of unlawful violence or threat of unlawful violence to inculcate fear; intended to coerce or to intimidate governments or societies in the pursuit of goals that are generally political, religious, or ideological. Even on installations as small as Naval Air Station Whiting Field there's a chance an attack could occur, but people can make a difference by being vigilant, aware, and never complacent.

The security team at NAS Whiting Field regularly conducts Random Anti-Terrorism measures across the installation. The Security personnel constantly conduct readiness training in an effort to be prepared for any and all threats. Currently the base is in a Force Protection Condition (FPCON) BRAVO. FPCON Bravo ensures additional security measures are in place to ensure military installations are active vice passive targets. Such conditions often cause delays in travel so personnel should plan appropriately.

The security team is always the first line of defense in protecting the base from intrusion, but ultimately it is everyone's responsibility to ensure the safety of NAS Whiting Field. Measures that personnel can take to help protect the installation include: staying alert, being aware of your surroundings, and reporting unusual or suspicious activity. Pay attention to the details of anti-terrorism briefings you receive. Most importantly, make security a part of your routine. Exercise precautions to increase your personal security and the security of your family, colleagues, and organization. Whiting Field is the busiest airport in the world, performing more than 1.2 million flight operations per year. This is where the future of naval aviation is born which could make it a potential target.

"All military and DoD personnel should always be vigilant and eager to report any and all suspicious activity. If something or someone looks suspicious call it in and let Law Enforcement determine if it is or is not a concern," Deputy Security Directory Paul Long stated. "9-1-1

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Note: If you are at increased or high risk for specific diseases, talk to your doctor about your individual and family medical history to determine when you should begin preventive screenings.

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Around the Base

Midway

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A wreath with an image of aircraft taking off from USS Yorktown (CV 6) adorned the stage throughout the ceremony. U.S. Navy photo by Jay Cope.

“In the article, Capt. Mead mentioned as the Combat Information Officer, he knew everything about the ship and the area it went down,” Bahlau stated. “Capt. Mead jokingly mentioned the research team would not have necessarily had to search across 30 square miles to find his former, sunken carrier: ‘If they had only asked me, I could have saved them a lot of money.’”

Bahlau also mentioned how Meade, when the ship was sinking and the call to abandon ship came, calmly walked back to his stateroom and put on a new pair of \$32 Oxford shoes.

As per tradition, the shoes, worn one time, were then left on the ship. According to the article, they were the last thing he saw while sliding down a rope into the ocean.

“I always thought it was a nice ship – it was home to me for two years,” he said in the interview.

Mead commanded Naval Auxiliary Air Station Whiting Field (as it was known then) from December 1943 to April 1945. He passed away in 1999 at the age of 94.

Hill Goodspeed, the historian for the National Naval Aviation Museum at NAS Pensacola and keynote speaker for the event, then recounted the stories of several different aviators and how Naval aviation factored heavily in the battle’s outcome. Men like 1st Lt. Daniel Iverson and his gunner Pvt. 1st Class Wallace Reid who fought together in an SBD-2 Dauntless. Only half the dive bombers made it back to Midway Island, including theirs, but the aircraft sustained 219 bullet holes and never flew another combat mission.

“In an engagement between aircraft carriers that never came within visual sight of each other, victory or defeat at Midway hinged on a collection of young men, naval aviators like those on the yearbook pages and their squadron commanders as well as enlisted Sailors flying as aircrewmembers on carrier-based and land-based aircraft. For those of you in uniform here today, they are your forebears, and all around the Navy, whether on board ship or ashore, we as a service commemorate the devotion to duty and sacrifice they embodied.” Goodspeed emphasized.

Goodspeed, a native of Pensacola, Florida, comes from a naval family. His grandfather trained at NAS Pensacola as a naval aviator during World War II. His father was a Vietnam War-era Marine officer, and a great uncle served as a PT-Boat skipper in the South Pacific during World War II.

Hill is the author or editor of five books and has contributed to two others, among his works the book U.S. Naval Aviation, which Proceedings named one of the notable naval

books of 2001. He has also appeared frequently as an historical commentary on PBS, Discovery Channel, and History Channel programs.

His love of aviation and aviators was apparent throughout the speech and his choice of the young and mostly untested as examples mirrored his audience of largely student aviators who have yet to achieve their mark on history. Goodspeed recited the words of Pacific Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz who stressed that the Navy would greet the Japanese with “the kind of reception they deserve, and we will do the best we can with what we have.”

Goodspeed said that “What they had was a group of aviators and aircrewmembers whose skill and courage would change the course of the war and of history.”

The Battle of Midway was a crucial and decisive naval battle in the Pacific Theatre of World War II. Between 4 and 7 June 1942, only six months after Japan’s attack on Pearl Harbor and one month after the Battle of the Coral Sea, the United States Navy under Admirals Chester Nimitz, Frank Jack Fletcher, and Raymond A. Spruance decisively defeated an attacking fleet of the Imperial Japanese Navy under Admirals Isoroku Yamamoto, Chuichi Nagumo, and Nobutake Kondo near Midway Atoll, inflicting devastating damage on the Japanese fleet that proved irreparable.

In May 1942, Japanese Admiral Isoroku Yamamoto sought to draw the US Pacific Fleet into a battle where he could overwhelm and destroy it. To accomplish this he planned an invasion of Midway Island which would provide a base for attacking Hawaii. Using decrypted Japanese radio intercepts, Admiral Chester Nimitz was able to counter this offensive. On JUN 4, 1942, US aircraft flying from USS Enterprise (CV 6), USS Hornet (CV 8), and Yorktown attacked and sunk four Japanese carriers, forcing Yamamoto to withdrawal, according to Military History Expert Kennedy Hickman’s article, World War II: Battle of Midway-Turning point in the Pacific.

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The assembled guests and the official party observe a moment of silence to conclude the Battle of Midway commemoration. More than 150 people attended the event in the auditorium. U.S. Navy photo by Ensign Andrew Groh.

Around the Base

Midway

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“Those who lived and have passed, and the men, forever young, whose lives ended in the Pacific in June 1942, changed the course of history.”

**Hill Goodspeed,
Historian, National Naval
Aviation Museum**

After Midway and the exhausting attrition of the Solomon Islands campaign, Japan's capacity to replace its losses in materiel (particularly aircraft carriers) and men (especially well-trained pilots) rapidly became insufficient to cope with mounting casualties. Allied victories afterward became much more frequent as Japan desperately tried to restore its naval power, largely failing in part due to increased American ability to operate against the Japanese mainland. The Battle of Midway, in combination with the Soviet victory against Germany at the Battle of Stalingrad half a year later, are considered by some to be the turning points of the Second World War in favor of Allied victory.

What Goodspeed showed was that such victories are won through the courage and dedication of men like Reid and Iverson, Ensign Allan Rothenberg who had only accumulated enough hours the week before to become a patrol plane commander, Ensign Jack Reid who first spotted the Japanese fleet and Lloyd Childers the only gunner from Torpedo Three to survive the attack. Those stories showed that heroes come from every corner of the nation. And it was their role in the battle that Naval Air Station Whiting Field commemorated.

“Today, we live in a world where evil threatens the freedoms we enjoy, making it even more important to remember the heroism displayed seventy-three years ago, when the surviving veterans of the battle, those who lived and have passed, and the men, forever young, whose lives ended in the Pacific in June 1942 changed the course of history.”

Force Protection

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is always the best contact for personnel to immediately report activity on or off base.”

Some important things to keep in mind while working or traveling on a daily basis. Terrorists seek opportunity based on several factors such as, location, association, and opportunity. Terrorists may target locations frequented by Americans or US military personnel such as certain hotels, apartment buildings, public transportation centers, and night-clubs. Try to avoid such locations if possible. Terrorists may focus on American tourists, personnel associated with the US Government, and individuals who appear to be high-ranking or important. Try to blend in with the local population. When possible, avoid disclosing your DOD or US Government affiliation outside of work.

Be careful of establishing a predictable routine. Terrorists prepare and conduct attacks through predictable steps. Through vigilance, you may be able to recognize preparations for an attack before it is executed. Be alert to suspicious activity and if you see something unusual, report it immediately to security officials for further investigation. Make a note of the individual's description and activities, the time of day, and equipment being used.

“In this time and age all of us are targets even more so the active duty and reserve service members. If possible do not wear your uniform to and from work, or limit your stops while in uniform. Try to add variations to your route traveled to and from work and home. Be vigilant during mass gatherings and report suspicious items, packages, vehicles and persons. Everyone should complete the AT Level 1 course on NKO or TWMS annually. This is mandatory for DoD personnel, active duty, reserve, federal civilian employees and contractors,” Long suggested. “Force protection is everyone’s job, and it is important we take it seriously.”

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| DELTA | Localized, specific terrorist threat or attack. |
| CHARLIE | Imminent threat of terrorism. |
| BRAVO | Increased and predictable threat of terrorism. |
| ALPHA | Possible threat of terrorist activity. |
| NORMAL | No known enemy or threat. |

| Condition | Application | Considerations |
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| FPCON NORMAL | Applies when a general global threat of possible terrorist activity exists. | Warrants a routine security posture. |
| FPCON ALPHA | Applies when there is an increased general threat of possible terrorist activity against personnel or facilities, the nature, and extent of which are unpredictable. | ALPHA measures must be maintained indefinitely. |
| FPCON BRAVO | Applies when an increased or more predictable threat of terrorist activity exists. | Sustaining BRAVO measures for a prolonged period may impact operational capability and coordination with local authorities. |
| FPCON CHARLIE | Applies when an incident occurs or intelligence is received indicating some form of terrorist action or targeting against personnel or facilities is likely. | Implementation of CHARLIE measures will create hardship and impact activities of the unit and personnel. |
| FPCON DELTA | Applies in the immediate area where a terrorist attack has occurred or when intelligence has been received that terrorist action against a specific location or person is imminent. | Normally, this FPCON is a localized condition. FP measures are not intended to be sustained for substantial periods. |