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Whiting Pines Community Provides School Supplies to NAS Whiting Field Families



Parents and their kids pick out school supplies for the next school year. These items were donated to active duty military and DoD families of NAS Whiting Field as part of Operation Homefront's Back-to-School Brigade Program. U.S. Navy Photo by Lt. j.g. Marissa Tungjunyatham.

Cover Photo: Training Air FIVE Flight Surgeon, Lt. Cmdr. Carlos Navarro constructs his fixed-wing paper aircraft for MWR's paper airplane contest in celebration of National Aviation Day. U.S. Navy Photo by Lt. j.g. Marissa Tungjunyatham

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By: Lt. j.g. Marissa Tungjunyatham, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

As part of Operation Homefront's Back-to-School Brigade program, the Balfour Beatty Communities and Whiting Pines Housing hosted a "Back to School Bash" Aug. 19 to support the Naval Air Station Whiting Field's military and DoD families.

With the help of MWR and Fleet and Family Support Center, Balfour Beatty was able to provide the kids with fun activities and bounce houses while they handpicked their book bag of supplies for the next school year.

Inside the Whiting Pines Community Center, kids and their parents walked through rows of school supplies that ranged from pencils and erasers to folders and planners of all kinds. A total of about 5,000 to 10,000 individual items were donated to the Back to School Bash. Operation Homefront provided a wide variety of drawstring book bags for the kids to choose from. Dollar Tree donated the plethora of school supplies, while Chris Hendrix, the NAS Whiting Field School Liaison Officer contributed 75 packs of college-rule binder paper through the School Liaison program. In addition, United Services Organization (USO) donated DVDs of Disney movies for the kids to pick out.

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NAS Whiting Field Sailors Lend Hand to Habitat for Humanity

By: Lt. j.g. Dat Nghiem, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

Eleven Sailors from Naval Air Station Whiting Field got down and dirty with Habitat for Humanity to help a less fortunate family. The group showed up early Aug 20 to lay down sod for a newly constructed home near Destin.

Volunteers spent more than four hours raking dirt, placing gravel, and laying sod on the property. Over five full pallets of sod were delivered to the site along with a few bags of gravel and freshly grown plants. The servicemen and women made sure that no time was wasted and worked together to ensure the landscaping looked presentable for the family.

Crew Leader Richard Freeman stated that the biggest reward of his job is that it enables the community to work side by side with each other to achieve a common goal. He proudly proclaimed, "We're a hand up, not a hand out." He explained that the organization provided its services to people who also want to contribute to the building process of their property.

"Working with the local community is a significant aspect of the job," he said.

Freeman believes an important function of the organization is to allow people to have fun yet accomplish the mission at hand for those in need.

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Officer Selection Boards will no Longer Display Full-Length Photographs

By: Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs

WASHINGTON (NNS) -- The Navy announced today in NAVADMIN 186/16 that officers' full-length photographs will no longer be displayed during promotion selection or administrative boards, starting with the Active-Duty O-8 selection board in the fall of 2016.

After a review, it was determined that removing photos, which do not provide significant value to the selection board process, will lessen an administrative burden. Officers will still be required to have a current full-length photo as part of their official personnel record.

"During selection boards, hundreds of records are reviewed in a short period of time by board members," said Chief of Naval Personnel Vice Adm. Robert Burke. "By enacting this change, it is our belief that we will help selection board members more closely focus their attention on the entirety of Sailors' documented performance records."

Additionally, officers' records fully capture physical fitness assessment and body composition metrics.

More information on the full-length photograph requirement for officers can be found in NAVADMIN 103/07 and MILPERSMAN 1070-180. ✈



Lt. Cmdr. Jeffrey Jacobson receives the Oath of Office from Adm. Michelle Howard during his promotion to commander at a ceremony held at the Pentagon. Howard, then the Vice Chief of Naval Operations (VCNO), served as Jacobson's promoting officer. Howard and Jacobson are high school classmates. They graduated from Gateway High School in Aurora, Colorado in 1978. U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class George M. Bell.

This Day in Naval History

August 24

1943 - TBF aircraft from USS Core (CVE 13) sinks the German submarine (U 185) southwest of the Azores.

August 25

1951 - 23 fighters from USS Essex (CV 9) escort Air Force heavy bombers in an attack on Najin, Korea due to the target being beyond range of land-based fighters.

August 26

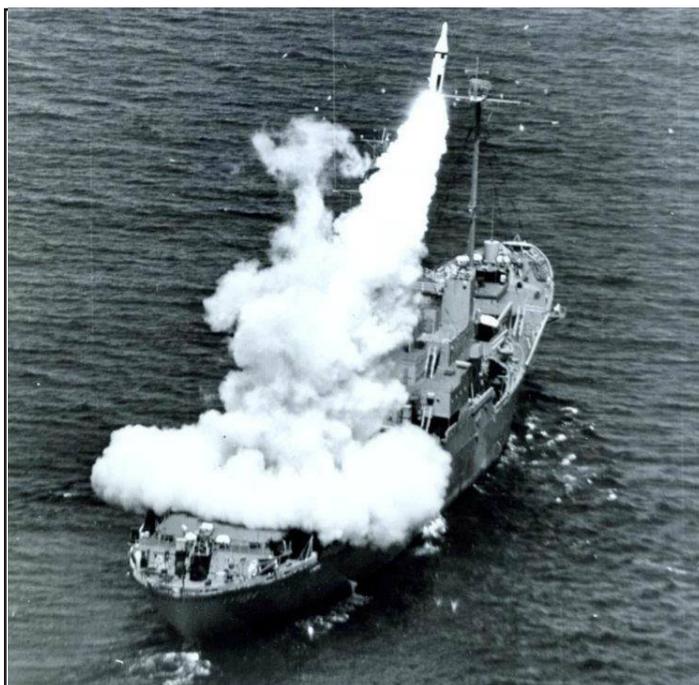
1912 - A detachment of Marines from USS Rainbow lands at Camp Nicholson, near Shanghai, China, to protect American interests from local revolutionaries.

August 27

1959 - While off Cape Canaveral, Fla., USS Observation Island (EAG 154) makes the first shipboard launch of a Polaris missile.

August 28

1991 - A helicopter from USS America (CVA 66) rescues three civilian sailors who spent 10 days in a lifeboat 80 miles off Cape May, N.J., after their sailboat capsizes.



Polaris Missile

The missile was successfully launched from USS Observation Island Aug. 27. Following this milestone, the ship returned to Norfolk Naval Shipyard for installation of a fire control system to enable her to launch more sophisticated guided versions of new generation Polaris missiles.

School

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Children of all ages were present and excited to pick out items they needed for the next school year.

"I'm happy I get to use these for school," First grader, Karissa Howell said.

Teresa Morrell, the Lifeworks Coordinator for Balfour Beatty Communities, volunteered with Operation Homefront for five years. She mentioned that this was the first year that the Back-to-School Brigade came to the NAS Whiting Field community. In previous years, families had to travel to Naval Air Station Pensacola, but this year Balfour Beatty Communities volunteered Whiting Pines to host the school supplies giveaway. By the end of the event, a total of 48 book bags of school supplies were given out to 48 kids.

Operation Homefront's mission is to provide short-term and critical assistance, as well as long-term stability and recurring support programs for military families. Through their Back-to-School Brigade program, they distributed more than 25,000 backpacks filled with school supplies to military kids across the country.

"It's really amazing," mother of two, Alicia Knight said, "It's nice for them do this all for our kids."

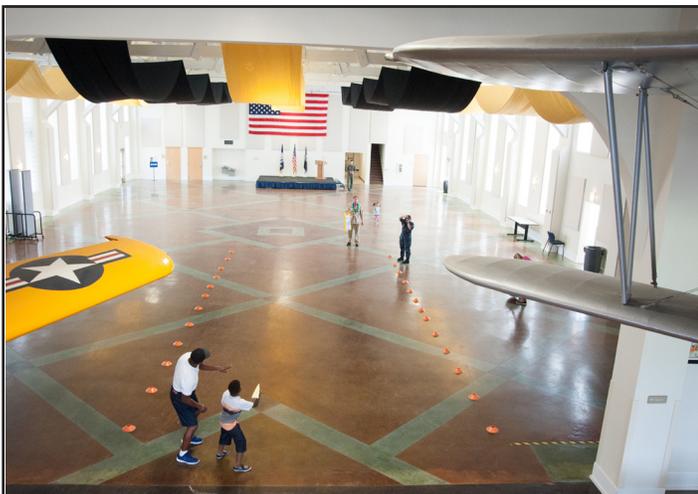


First grader, Karissa Howell, hands a school supply item she selected to her great-grandmother, Selina Gajus. The school supplies were donated to active duty military and DoD families of NAS Whiting Field as part of Operation Homefront's Back-to-School Brigade program hosted by the Balfour Beatty Communities at the Whiting Pines Community Center. U.S. Navy Photo by Lt. j.g. Marissa Tungjunyatham.

Eco-nomics

Water Conservation Tips

Don't leave the water running when brushing your teeth. You could save as much as nine gallons each time you brush.



National Aviation Day

Father and son are lining up for take-off at the hold short, ready to see if their paper airplane will fly the furthest distance. For National Aviation Day, MWR held a Paper Airplane Contest at the Atrium on Naval Air Station Whiting Field Aug. 18. Sailors, Retirees, DoD Civilian Employees, and military families competed in three different categories for fixed-wing paper aircraft (Longest Flight, Best Precision Landing, Furthest Distance) and one for rotary paper aircraft (Best Precision Auto Rotation). U.S. Navy Photo by Lt. j.g. Dat Nghiem.

USO Northwest Florida
GOLF FOR HEROES

FRI 09.23 4:00-7:00PM
USO BLAST FROM THE PAST PAIRING PARTY

Join us at the Eglin Golf Course Club House for a 1940's-themed party with music, dancing, food, cash bar, silent auction and your chance to "draft" your favorite National Women's Golf Association player to complete your tournament foursome.

SAT 09.24 7:00AM
75TH ANNIVERSARY PRO-AM

Eglin Golf Course located at 1527 Fairway Dr. in Niceville, FL. Registration and breakfast begins at 7am with a shotgun start at 8:30am. This will be a scramble format with chances to purchase mulligans and other advantages. A silent auction and awards ceremony with lunch will be provided following the tournament.

TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION ON REGISTERING TO PLAY OR SPONSORING THIS EVENT, PLEASE VISIT
WWW.USO.ORG/NORTHWESTFLORIDA
OR CALL 850-455-8280.

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Case Lot Sale Brings Savings to NAS Whiting Field

By: Ensign Kyle Shields, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

The Naval Air Station Whiting Field Commissary hosted its three-day long Case Lot Sale to bring heavily discounted products and a little fun to patrons of the facility.

With hundreds of products listed well below the commissary's already low pricing, the Aug. 17-19 event was well attended by service members, retirees, and other authorized customers.

"The purpose of the Case Lot Sale is to provide the Whiting Field community with bulk items at prices well below retail," acting store manager Noah Moos said.

Case Lot Sales are typically held twice per year, one in the spring and one in the fall. Name brand items from Charmin, Purina, Jones Sodas, Viva, and more were heavily reduced providing additional savings for authorized patrons.

Located in the commissary parking lot, the sale hosted items and quantities often not seen in the commissary. The large white tents provided the space needed to stock a greater variety of products including larger and bulkier items with prices reduced as much as 60 percent off. One patron was so thrilled by discounted dog food he purchased twelve 52-pound bags of it for donation to the local animal shelter.

"The commissary team put on a great event. The sale provided a terrific benefit for our service members, and I was happy to support in any way I could," NAS Whiting Field Commanding Officer Capt. Todd Bahlau said.

Sporting Navy PT gear, Bahlau volunteered to be one of the "victims" in the dunking booth the commissary had on site for the event. Gift cards were presented to customers who successfully dunked any of the booth volunteers which included Moos, grocery manager Dawn Schultz and store employee Jack Moore.

In addition to the discounted items and the dunking booth, the commissary featured special events such as a superhero costume contest, patriotic outfit contest and a support your sports team contest. Commissary gift cards were presented to each of the winners for those contests as well.



NAS Whiting Field Commanding Officer Capt. Todd Bahlau's wife Rebecca Bahlau attempts to dunk her husband at the Commissary's Case Lot Sale Aug. 19. The Case Lot Sale featured fun activities, such as the dunking booth, where winners were awarded gift cards for sinking the booth volunteer. U.S. Navy Photo by Ensign Kyle Shields

"It was a lot of fun," exclaimed the commanding officer's wife, Rebecca Bahlau, after attempting to dunk her husband.

Through the sale of the pre-packaged donation bags, the Case Lot Sale also helped drive up donations for Feds Feed Families as the program closes August 31. Any customers who still wish to donate but miss the deadline are in luck.

"We will continue to accept donations, even after Feds Feeds Families ends," said Moos, "they will be sent to the local food bank to help those less fortunate in our community."

For more information, contact the NAS Whiting Field Commissary at (850) 623-7131. 🐦



Flight students Ensign Sarah Black, left, and Ensign T.J. Nguyen, right, are thrilled about their savings at the NAS Whiting Field Commissary Case Lot Sale. U.S. Navy Photo by Lt. j.g. Marissa Tungjunyatham.



Jim Marcomue wins \$100 in gift cards for Best Support Your Sports Team outfit. The NAS Whiting Field Commissary held a different outfit contest each day, such as super hero costume contest and patriotic outfit contest. U.S. Navy Photo by Ensign Kyle Shields.

Habitat

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Habitat for Humanity is an international non-profit organization and has been providing basic home construction and preservation services in communities around the world for over 40 years. The local Pensacola chapter recruits volunteers to help with the projects and provides homeowners with a chance to work on their own homes. Habitat for Humanity often works multiple projects a day from Tuesdays through Saturdays.

Aviation Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class David Wasickanin, a Scout Manager for Cub Scout Pack #655 in Pensacola, participated alongside his shipmates.

"I love working with my hands," Wasickanin said. "It's all about the community and helping people." 🛩️



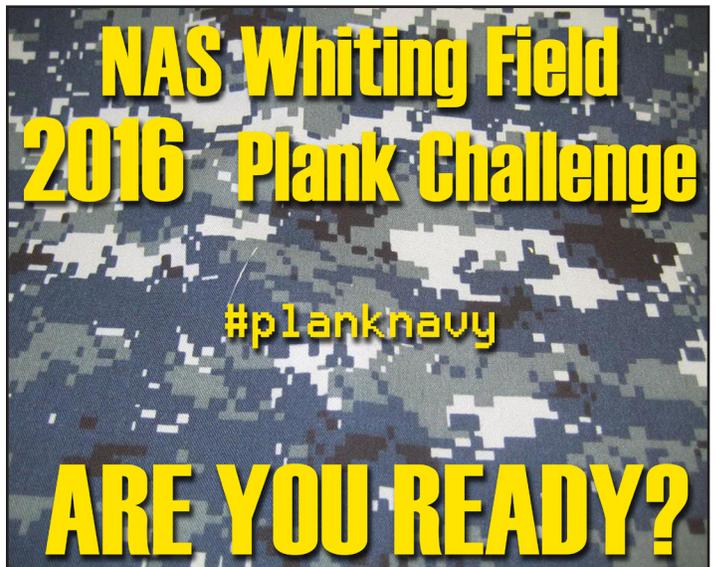
Aviation Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class David Wasickanin prepares the earth for placement of sod as part of Habitat for Humanity's community effort to help build a house in Navarre, Fla. U.S. Navy Photo by Dat Nghiem.



Richard Freeman, a Habitat for Humanity Crew Leader, is all smiles as he inspects the delivery of sod pallets before he and the NAS Whiting Field Sailors lay them down on the property. U.S. Navy Photo by Dat Nghiem.



NAS Whiting Field Sailors transport a wheelbarrow of sod to the backyard of the house after Habitat for Humanity Crew Leader, Richard Freeman, inspected them for quality. U.S. Navy Photo by Dat Nghiem.



2016 Plank Challenge

Emergency Manager Rudy Mendiola and Chief Aviation Boatswain's Mate Hugo Marroquin face off in a NAS Whiting Field plank challenge as part of a kickoff for NAS Whiting Field's physical fitness campaign to introduce Suicide Awareness Month in September. U.S. Navy Photo by

Navy Announces Adjustments to Time-In-Grade Waiver Policy



Official U.S. Navy file photo of Cmdr. Daniel Duhan, captain of the forward-deployed Whidbey Island Class dock landing ship USS Ashland (LSD 48), watches as the Ashland conducts a formation exercise with the USS Stretthem (DDG 63) and BRP Gregorio Del Pilar (PF 15) in support of exercise Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training. U.S. Marine Corps Photo by Lance Cpl. Carl King Jr.

By: Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs

WASHINGTON (NNS) -- The Navy announced an update to the policy for commanders and captains with at least 24-months time in grade (TIG) to request a waiver to retire at their current rank before completing their 36 month time-in-grade commitment in NAVADMIN 182/16 Aug. 17.

Rather than a blanket authorization for officer communities to forward a TIG request to the chief of naval personnel for approval determination as outlined in NAVADMIN 371/08, now every officer community will decide if TIG requests can be supported and only forward a request for consideration if community health would allow the early loss of that officer. However, hardship or special circumstance cases may be considered for all communities on a case-by-case basis.

The message also provides guidance on when an applicant should include a next-lower-grade (NLG) waiver request in the TIG waiver application. NLG waivers provide the option to retire at the next lower grade rather than the current rank. Navy Personnel Command (NPC) may authorize an officer to be retired the lower grade if they do not meet the time-in-grade requirement.

A spreadsheet of communities accepting TIG and NLG waivers is posted at www.public.navy.mil/bupers-npc/officer/communitymanagers/pages/officer-retirement-waivers.aspx, click on Force Shaping Lever Chart to download the spreadsheet. This information will be updated by community managers as needed.

Officers are expected to meet their service obligations unless a TIG or NLG waiver is approved.

Retirement, TIG and NLG waiver requests for active component commanders and captains are made through NPC Officer Retirements Branch (PERS-835) by calling (901) 874-3180/3183 (DSN 882-3180), or emailing pers_835_retirements@navy.mil.

Reserve officers will submit their requests through NPC's deputy director for Reserve Personnel Administration (PERS-91B) by calling (901) 874-4482/4483 (DSN 882-4483).

For more information, read NAVADMIN 182/16 at www.npc.navy.mil.



Switchgear Project

Webb Electric delivered and installed a pre-fabricated switchgear building to service NAS Whiting Field Aug. 17. This facility is part of the larger \$3.3 million Switchgear & Electrical Feeder to replace 19 existing main electrical switchgear cabinets in the high bay area of building 1429, as well as the primary electrical feeder from Gulf Power substation. This project replaces aging electrical infrastructure dating back to 1943 and addresses several vulnerabilities throughout the base, creating a more resilient electrical infrastructure for the operators onboard NAS Whiting Field. The project is on track for completion in Feb. 2017. U.S. Navy photo courtesy of Naval Air Station Whiting Field Public Works Department.

Hours of Operation for MWR Food Service Locations:

Tower Café (Starbucks)	Mon-Fri	0600-1300
South Field Snack Bar	Mon-Fri	0600-1900
Mulligans Grill	Mon-Fri	0630-1400
Bowling Center	Mon-Fri	0700-1900
North Field Snack Bar	Mon-Fri	1030-1700

News & Notes

Free Breakfast for Advancement Exam Takers

First Class Petty Officer Association (FCPOA) will be providing FREE breakfast for each advancement exam date: Sept 1, 8, 15 at 6 a.m. at the exam site. We will be serving donuts, muffins, bananas, Orange juice, and coffee. Again, it will be ALL FREE for the exam takers.

Navy League Golf Tournament

The Navy League Santa Rosa County Council will host a golf tournament Saturday, Sept. 17 at Tanglewood Golf Course at 5916 Tanglewood Drive, Milton, Fla. Registration begins at 10 a.m., shotgun at noon. It will be \$300 for a team of four and \$75 for an individual player. Mulligans and one red tee buster are \$20 per person. Trophies will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place teams as well as prizes for the longest drive and closest to the pin. There will be a raffle of gift items and a 50/50 drawing.

Escambia and Santa Rosa County Traffic Alert

Drivers will encounter traffic disruptions on the following state roads in Escambia and Santa Rosa counties as crews perform construction and maintenance activities:

Escambia County:

The right lane of I-10 westbound, near U.S. 29, will be closed.

Traffic on I-10 westbound, between Scenic Highway (U.S. 90/Exit 17) and the U.S. 29 interchange, and I-110 northbound drivers, between Fairfield Drive (S.R. 295/Exit 4) and I-10, will be slowed by the Florida Highway Patrol in a pacing operation. Drivers should expect delays while the work is underway.

In addition, the U.S. 29 north to I-10 eastbound ramp will be intermittently closed Sunday through Thursday nights from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. beginning Sunday, Aug. 21. The closure will continue until the end of August as crews work on the shoulder of the roadway. Traffic will be detoured north and make a U-turn at Broad Street to access I-10 eastbound.

9th Avenue (S.R. 289) - Southbound outside lane restricted between Berkley Drive and Barcia Drive from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 21 through Thursday, Sept. 3 as crews perform underground utility maintenance work.

Texar Drive (S.R. 752) Pedestrian Overpass - Access to the pedestrian bridge is closed for approximately one month. Eastbound ECAT bus stops located at the pedestrian bridge will be temporarily relocated during construction to just west of N. Miller Street.

Santa Rosa County:

U.S. 98 - Intermittent and alternating lane closures and slow moving operations between Bayshore Road and the Okaloosa County line continue from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Wednesday, Aug. 31 as crews perform striping operations.

All activities are weather dependent and may be delayed or re-scheduled in the event of inclement weather. Drivers are reminded to use caution, especially at night, when traveling in a work zone and to watch for construction workers and equipment entering and exiting the roadway.

USO Golf for Heroes

Friday September 23, 4:00-7:00pm

Join us at Eglin Golf Course for a 1940's themed party

Saturday September 24, 7:00am

Eglin Golf Course located at 1527 Fairway Dr., Niceville. Registration and breakfast at 7:00am. Shotgun start at 8:30am. Silent auction and award ceremony at lunch.

USO Hosts Morning Networking Session for Military Spouses

September 28, 2016 8:30am – 12:30

Join the USO as they host an intimate speed networking session for military spouses in the Pensacola military community. You will have the opportunity to learn about USO Programs, discuss the art of networking, and speed network with other military spouses, local employers and community leaders. All participants will walk away meeting new friends, contacts, and professionals.

For more information contact: Nicole Vogel, USO Program Manager, Military Spouse Programs at nvogel@uso.org or (703) 297-8213

Berryhill Elementary Volunteer Opportunity

Berryhill Elementary is looking for some volunteers to read to and mentor students. Contact Amber Terrell, the Military & Family Life Counselor, at (850) 451-6246.

Local Fla. County Update

Santa Rosa County

Early Voting is already underway and ends Aug. 27. Polling Places are:

Santa Rosa Admin Building 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

South Santa Rosa Service Center 8:30 am to 4:30 p.m.

Pace Community Center 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Tiger Point Community Center 8:30 am to 4:30 p.m.

Escambia County

Early voting will be available through Saturday, Aug. 27. Polling places are:

Supervisor of Elections Office, 213 Palafox Place, Second Floor, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Main Library, 239 Spring Street, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Molino Community Center, 6450-A Highway 95A, Molino, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Genealogy Branch Library, 5740 B, 9th Avenue, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Southwest Branch Library, 12248 Gulf Beach Highway, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Bellview/Saufley Early Vote Site, 916 W. Michigan Avenue, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

NASWF Carnival Fantasy Cruise

Come sail with NAS Whiting Field on a 5 days cruise on Carnival Fantasy. Cruise leaves Nov. 28 at 4 p.m. from Mobile, AL and returns to Mobile Dec. 3. The cruise departs Mobile and heads to Cozumel and Yucatan Mexico. NASWF Ticket and Travel Office at 850-665-6250.



Commodore's List

Congratulations to Training Air Wing FIVE's Academic Scholars from Aug 19. Their awards were presented at the TRAWING 5 Headquarters building. Photo courtesy of Training Air Wing FIVE.



Top Row: Lt. Col. Cory DeKraai, USMC, CO HT-28; Lt. j.g. Jeffery Matcham, USN, HT-28; Lt. j.g. Timothy Henderson, USN, HT-18; Lt. j.g. Jeb Slick, USCG, HT-18; Lt. j.g. Tyler Bothel, USN, HT-28; 1st Lt. Samuel Phillips, USMC, HT-28; Lt. j.g. Johnathan Thornton, USN, HT-8; 1st Lt. Nicholas Rohrbaugh, USMC, HT-28; Lt. j.g. Scott Haeusler, USN, HT-8; 1st Lt. Robert Yaminicky, USMC, HT-28; Lt. j.g. Nicholas Mastrangelo, USN, HT-8; Lt. j.g. Zachary Farrell, USCG, HT-18; Capt. Mark Murray, USN, Commodore TW-5; Middle Row: Cmdr. Brian Sanderson, USN, CO HT-18; Lt. j.g. Andrew Best, USN, HT-28; Lt. j.g. John Dunne, USN, HT-8; Lt. j.g. Christina Miller, USN, HT-18; Lt. j.g. Pierre Ramos, USN, HT-28; 1st Lt. Edward Klausner, USMC, HT-18; Lt. j.g. Scott Whiteman, USN, HT-8; Lt. j.g. Jacob Myers, USN, HT-28; 1st Lt. Ross Roberts, USMC, HT-28; Lt. j.g. John Devine, USN, HT-8; 1st Lt. Samuel Kurtz, USMC, HT-8; Lt. j.g. Bo Merritt, USN, HT-8; 1st Lt. Jack McBride, USMC, HT-28; Lt. j.g. Tyler Thompson, USN, HT-8; Col. Robert B. Sofge, USMC, Assistant Wing Commander, 3d Aircraft Wing; Bottom Row: Cmdr. John McBryde, USN, CO HT-8; 1st Lt. Lee Henderson, USMC, HT-8; Lt. j.g. Andrew Skaggs, USN, HT-28; Lt. j.g. Turki Alturki, RSNE, HT-18; 1st Lt. Nathan Jones, USMC, HT-8; Lt. j.g. Natalie McFall, USN, HT-28; 1st Lt. Jorge Alvarez, USMC, HT-18; Lt. j.g. Alexis Cowing, USN, HT-8; 1st Lt. John Howell Jr., USMC, HT-28; Lt. j.g. Jonathan Harris, USN, HT-8; 1st Lt. Josef Otmar, USMC, HT-28; Lt. j.g. Jonathan Garcia, USN, HT-18; Lt. j.g. Meghan Conner, USN, HT-8; Lt. j.g. Samantha Sofge, USN, HT-28. U.S. Navy Photo by Lt. j.g. Marissa Tungjunyatham.

Congratulations to the VT Solos

VT-3

Ensign Kayla Alexander, USN

Lt. j.g. Antonio Bruno, Intl

Lt. j.g. Paolo Chiuri, Intl

Ensign Alexander Clements, USN

2nd Lt. Jacob Florence, USMC

Ensign Samuel Friddle, USN

2nd Lt. Carl Gracely, USMC

2nd Lt. Chase Hannegan, USMC

2nd Lt. Blake Hernie, USMC

Ensign Daniel Jones, USN

2nd Lt. Christopher Lamaku, USMC

Ensign Benjamin Lasecurain, USN

Ensign Rosalyn Lopez, USN

Lt. j.g. Davide Miniscalco, Intl

Ensign Lucas Stanley, USN

Ensign Robert Sukovaty, USN

SECURITY CORNER

By: Stacy McFadden, NAS Whiting Field Security



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

2016 Semper Fi 5k Charity Run Raffle

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Stand-Up Paddle Board

Drawing: Sat., Sept. 10, 2016 at Seville Quarter

Winners need not be present to win.
All proceeds benefit Gulf Coast Kid's House,
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Emerald Coast,
New Horizons of Northwest Florida,
Westgate Escambia School, and The Miracle League.



\$10* each

* No purchase necessary

Contact a representative at semperfi5krun@gmail.com or 360-880-2024