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Instructor Pilot Remembers Once-In-A -Lifetime Opportunity



By: Jay Cope, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

Almost anyone would jump at the opportunity to meet heads of state, former high-level government officials and influential political leaders to glean insights from them as to how they made their decisions and why. That is exactly the chance Lt. Toby Voght took in 2015 when he applied for the Presidential Leadership Scholars Program and he proclaims it the highlight of his career thus far.

Out of more than 1,000 candidates, Voght was one of only 60 selected for the inaugural class. The program is designed to seek individuals with leadership capabilities and help them enhance their skills for the betterment of their communities, professions and the nation. Participants were chosen from a wide range of fields including business, military, nonprofit and government.

Voght's good fortune started with hearing a press conference announcement on the radio as he was driving in to NAS Whiting Field one day. The report touted the program's bi-partisan nature with both Presidents George W. Bush and William Clinton promoting the course. It took Voght between two to three weeks to fill out the application, prepare the required documents and assemble the three reference letters.

Helicopter Training Squadron EIGHT Instructor, Lt. Toby Voght meets former President William J. Clinton as part of the Presidential Leadership Scholars Program in 2015. Photo courtesy of Lt. Toby Voght.

Cover Photo: Debbie Hood captures the storm clouds rolling into Whiting Park, winning first place in Naval Air Station Whiting Field's First Annual Photography Contest. See pg. 6 for more details on the contest. Photo by Debbie Hood

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New Healthy Food Options: Lettuce Eat

By: Ensign Kyle Shields, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

NAS Whiting Fields newest eatery, the North Field Snack Bar opened Monday July 18. Located between the Paraloft and the VT-6 Line Shack, they offer a refreshing new variety of healthy options as well as their signature "South of the Border" flavors.

With only one week under its belt, the restaurant is still finding its footing. "Business was slow at first, but has been growing steadily" said food service worker Brooke Hobbs. Part of the reason is the new menu which has been gaining the attention of the Whiting Field personnel with its healthy options, including a self-service salad bar. The bar contains a wide array of vegetables, tomatoes, croutons, cheese, and more, and is sold by the ounce. Meat toppers of beef, chicken, pork or steak are available for a small additional fee to finish up the plate.

An enthusiastic Lenny Nordmann, MWR's Marketing Manager praised the new restaurant.

"I feel that we have done the right thing by providing healthy choices and a fun Latin atmosphere," he said.

The North Field Snack Bar also serves a variety of burritos, taquitos, wraps, Mexican pizzas, all made to order in a similar fashion to Moe's or Chipotle, but do not use fryers. Instead, MWR elected to use turbo ovens, similar to those utilized by Subway, to cook all the hot food items. There are also couple dessert items such as apple turnovers and churros.

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OBAP's 'Dream Flight' Lands at NAS Pensacola

By: Naval Air Station Pensacola Public Affairs

PENSACOLA, Fla. (NNS) -- Approximately 150 teenagers who have an interest in pursuing careers in aviation toured Naval Air Station (NAS) Pensacola July 19 as part of a program co-sponsored by the Organization of Black Aerospace Professionals (OBAP) and Delta Air Lines.

OBAP's annual "Dream Flight" is offered as a counterpart of the Aviation Career Education (ACE) annual summer camp and the Solo Flight Academy, said Emanuel Burke, a United Parcel Service pilot who volunteers as the director of the Atlanta-based programs. Each year, students take a daylong field trip to a major aviation facility.

The field trip gives the students, ages 14-18, a chance to engage and network with professionals in the aviation industry, Burke said. "We like to make sure the youths have an opportunity to see what's out there for them and get them to do something positive."

After landing at NAS Pensacola's Forrest Sherman Field aboard a Delta Air Lines 757, the teens got a chance to interact with members of the U.S. Navy and learn about various naval aviation careers available to them.

Tour stops included the National Naval Aviation Museum, the Water Survival Training Facility and Training Wing (CTW) 6 at NAS Pensacola. The students also got to watch the U.S. Navy Flight Demonstration Squadron, the Blue Angels,



Official OBAP File Photo.

perform during a practice session.

The greeting party at the museum included retired Navy Capt. Sterling Gilliam, museum director, and retired Marine Lt. Gen. Duane Thiessen, president and CEO of the Naval Aviation Museum Foundation. During their visit, the students also got to watch "D-Day: Normandy 1944" in the museum's giant screen theater.

While at CTW-6, the aspiring aviators received a briefing and talked to squadron members before viewing static displays featuring the T-6 Texan II and the T-45 Goshawk.

At the Water Survival Training Facility, students witnessed the "dunker" in action, as air crews were trained in proper water survival tactics.

Cmdr. Bobby E. Brown Jr., director of diversity and inclusion for Commander, Naval Air Forces, U.S. Pacific Fleet, said the Navy gets a great benefit from collaborating with OBAP on this project.

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This Day in Naval History

July 27

1917 - Construction of the Naval Aircraft Factory, Philadelphia is ordered to produce enough aircraft for Americas entry into World War I. The factory also introduces women into occupations that were previously only open to men.

July 28

1973 - Skylab 3 is launched. The mission is the second to the first U.S. manned space station.

July 29

1846 - During the Mexican-American War, a detachment of Marines and Sailors, led by Arm. Col. John C. Fremont from the sloop USS Cyane, commanded by Cmdr. Samuel F. DuPont, lands and takes possession of San Diego and raises the U.S. flag.

July 30

1942 - President Franklin D. Roosevelt signs the act establishing WAVES (Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service).

July 31

1865 - The East India Squadron, later known as Asiatic Squadron, is established under Commodore Henry H. Bell, USN, to operate from Sunda Strait to Japan. The squadron consists of USS Hartford, USS Wachusett, USS Wyoming and USS Relief.



First U.S. Manned Space Station

The commander of the mission is Capt. Alan L. Bean, USN, the pilot is Maj. Jack R. Lousma, USMC, and the Science Pilot is Owen K. Garriott, a former Navy electronics officer. The mission lasts 59 days, 11 hours and includes 858 Earth orbits. USS New Orleans (LPH 11) recovers the crew.

Scholars

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Submitting his application with the mindset that “the worst they can tell me is no,” he was called in for an interview. Voght said it was one of the most “humbling experiences” of his life.

“They flat out told me that I was probably the least qualified candidate to apply,” he said. “However, they also were very interested in the project I proposed for the program and wanted to see it pursued.”

Voght’s idea was to build a social network for military members to help match them with volunteer opportunities, called ServiceMatch. So far, he has worked to help engage military with Big Brother Big Sister events, Wounded Warrior Foundation activities, and a local BBQ and craft beer festival. Although only modestly successful so far, Voght hopes to achieve more in the long term. However, the demanding schedule required of an Instructor Pilot with HT-8 still takes up the bulk of his time.

Every participant is required to develop a program and the topics varied from women empowerment, human trafficking reduction, literacy programs and more. All the programs are based on promoting public benefit.

The program spans a six-month time frame with more than 120 hours of instruction across five different locations and approximately 20 days. In Voght’s case, the first location was Mount Vernon for the orientation with follow-on sessions at the Presidential Libraries for George H. W. Bush, George W. Bush, William Clinton, and Lyndon B. Johnson.

He admits that the program was incredibly intimidating at first and that it was about halfway through the second session before he started to relax. Out of the five or six other military members in the program, Voght states that he was the youngest and had the least amount of time in service. However, that wasn’t the truly intimidating part. It was when the Chief of Staff for former President Bush Jr. was on one of the first panel discussions that he realized how truly unique the opportunity was going to be.

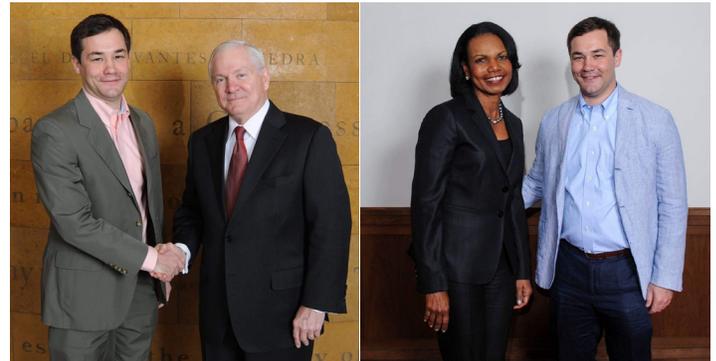
According to the Presidential Leadership Scholars website, the curriculum focuses on leadership skills, decision making, persuasion and influence, and strategic part-



Lt. Toby Voght is all smiles after meeting with former President George W. Bush and former First Lady Laura W. Bush. Photo courtesy of Lt. Toby Voght.



Class photo of all the scholars in the Presidential Leadership Scholars Program with former Presidents George W. Bush and William J. Clinton. Photo courtesy of Lt. Toby Voght.



Lt. Toby Voght stands with former Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates and former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice. Photo courtesy of Lt. Toby Voght.

nerships. With access to Presidential Libraries, as well as discussions with prominent presidential scholars, former administration officials, and other relevant commentators, the students delve into particular issues regarding each president. They learned about the decisions made as well as the historical context and background under which that president led. In addition, scholars are encouraged to form meaningful relationships with one another and to learn from each other’s divergent views and backgrounds. The program also builds an alumni network that is not only expected to put the lessons into practice, but return to the program and assist new participants understand the value of the program and how it will help their futures.

Voght emphasized that it was his connections to the other scholars that made the program so valuable. He says he still is in contact with the other participants and asks their advice on a variety of issues. Everyone desired to help improve their communities and Voght emphasized that such a commitment was the communal focus that bound them together.

“We were all driven in the same direction,” he said. “Our common ground was that we all wanted to help our country. To meet all the other scholars was incredible. They took me in and made me part of the team.”

Although he values the friendships he created as the high point of the program, Voght still cherishes the opportunities to meet the leaders who drive the nation. Meeting and speaking with Secretary Gates, Secretary Condoleezza Rice, other cabinet members as well as a host of other leaders will continue to be conversation topics for the rest of his life.

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WWII Veteran looks back on his time at NASWF

By: Jamie Link, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

Editor's Note: Naval Air Station Whiting Field's mission to train the best aviators in the world was formed during the fires of World War II and has been tempered and hardened through the years by the men and women who have served their nation in war and peacetime. Through its 73 years of preparing our nation's best and brightest to go in harms way, the base has seen a great number of heroes walk through its gates, but it is rare to be able to speak to them and allow later generations to see how the foundations established here at NAS Whiting Field prepared them for future success. This is the second part in a two-part series where the Whiting Tower has reconnected with members of the Greatest Generation who served here during the early years of the base and a chance to relate their histories.

Looking back more than 70 years at a life well-lived, it is easy to be grateful for the opportunities you had and the twists and turns that directed your life. It is another thing to try to offer those same opportunities to people who have had fewer advantages. For Julius Purvis, World War II was one of those turning points. The military provided for his education after the war, and his success has enabled him to give back.

As time goes by memories fade, the recollections become less vivid. For Specialist Gunner second class Julius Purvis, a World War II veteran stationed at NAS Whiting Field during the war, it's not only the airplanes or his buddies that he still recollects; surprisingly, Purvis remembers the enemy. It was 1945, and a crew of 225 German Prisoners of War (POW's) were transferred from Camp Rucker, Alabama to NAS Whiting Field for duty on construction and soil erosion projects.

"They were reasonably happy to sit out the war there, it was a stable environment for them, they were fed well-had medical care and they were no trouble in the camp" Purvis said.

The POW's were members of General Erwin Rommel's Africa Korps, one of the most highly trained and successful German units during the war. The POW's were enclosed in a specific area within the base-a camp, and at night, when the day's work was done, they stayed in the POW camp area, also known as the prison, according to Purvis.

"One of the things I remember," Purvis recalls, "was that they would play soccer games on Sundays. We would all go watch their soccer matches".

Purvis enlisted in the Navy during World War II, and was stationed at Jacksonville Municipal Airport. When Jacksonville closed, he transferred to NAS Whiting Field to serve out the rest of his term. Purvis' time at Whiting Field did have a somber aspect to it. The crash of a PBY Catalina aircraft, resulting in the deaths of 10 sailors, brought flight operations to a halt. Once settled at NAAS Whiting Field and after the PBY accident, Purvis remembers just waiting out the time to get out since the war had ended.

"The war was over, so we killed time when we could-just playing cards or watching the Sunday soccer games. Most of us were getting out and going back to college or going to start college".

Purvis also remembers his time flying out of Jacksonville Airport when military operations were still taking place. He flew long-range reconnaissance missions lasting 10-12 hours in B-24 Liberator privateers.

Following the war, Purvis enrolled at Duke University, and graduated with a degree in Business Administration. He went to work for General Electric, a company he would stay



Julius Purvis pictured in "Leaving a Legacy: Profiles in Giving" Green Mountain College Alumni Magazine.

with for 38 years. During this time, Purvis married the "Love of His Life", Barbara Louise (Gedrow) Purvis. It was also during his time at General Electric that Purvis became aware of the plight of those graduating for college with staggering debt. "I heard of students graduating with \$200,000 in debt, and, well, that's just staggering to me." Purvis said, "I don't have an answer to the problem but I want to do what I can to help".

And help he did. Over the years, Purvis established scholarship programs for needy and deserving students at four colleges and universities, including the nearby Green Mountain College (where his wife attended). The scholarships were developed in memory of Barbara, his children, and his brother. Because of his service to and retirement from General Electric, Purvis was able to leverage his generosity by participating in a program where the company would match, dollar for dollar, all of Purvis's donations, resulting in a robust source of assistance for many deserving students.

Purvis recognizes the advantage he had using the GI Bill following military service, which allowed him to attend college for free. "One of the reasons I do that (contribute to scholarship programs) is because my education at Duke University didn't cost a single dime. It was all paid for on the G.I. Bill," Purvis said.

The Greatest Generation's contributions to the victory in World War II are well known, having been celebrated for decades in film, print, and memorials. What is sometimes forgotten is that following the war, most of that generation kept on giving, helping build America into what it is today. Men and women like Julius Purvis continue to serve as an example of service, citizenship, and patriotism. Purvis, like most of his generation, is modest about his contributions to America.

"I don't care about the recognition," says Purvis. "I had lots of opportunities, and I just want to put my success to work for people who need help now." 🐦

NAS Whiting Field's First Annual Photography Contest



The first NAS Whiting Field photography contest kicked off on June 2 and ended June 23. Photos were on the installation and Whiting Park and hashtagged with #whitingfieldpics.

The theme of the contest was **Wildlife and Nature**. The contest was open to personnel that have authorized base access.

The first place winner received a gift package and the winning photo is displayed on the front cover of the Whiting Tower.

There were 17 entries total and the top six photos are featured in the Whiting Tower.

The contest was also used as an initiative to generate social media engagement through Facebook, Twitter, and the new Instagram account.

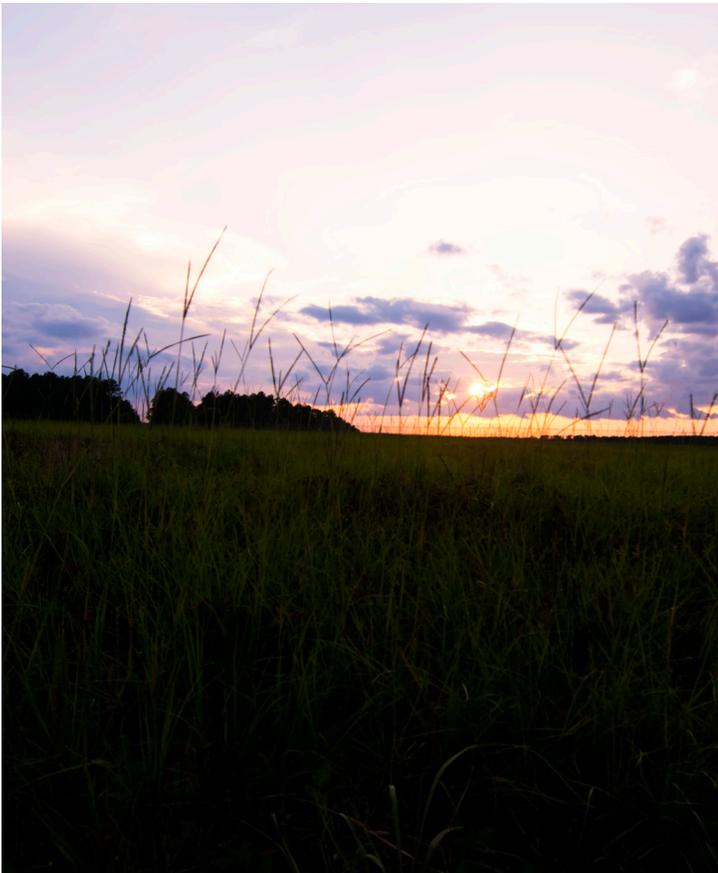
The next photography contest will kick off with a new theme starting in the fall. The same rules will apply as the first with a need for base access. 📸

Above: 2nd Place - The sun sets behind the clouds at the edge of Naval Air Station Whiting Field. Photo by Lt. j.g. Marshall Liu

Below: 3rd Place - A white bird comes in on short final for a landing, full stop. Photo by Tina Headrick.



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Top Left: 4th Place - The sun sets over the tall grass behind NAS Whiting Field's track. Photo by Lt. j.g. Marshall Liu

Bottom Left: 5th Place - A small flower grows on a tree banch across the parking lot from the Blue Angel static display by the Main Gate. Photo by Lt. j.g. Marshall Liu

Below: People's Choice - A chair is placed by the river at Whiting Park, capturing a relaxing, summer moment. Photo by Chandler Sanchez.



News & Notes

Opening Night at Panhandle Community Theatre

Opening Night is this Thursday, July 28th. Get your tickets today! Seating is limited! We'll be showing *The Importance of Being Earnest* by Oscar Wilde, directed by Dave Cook. The show will run from July 28 to 31 and August 4 to 7, Thursdays through Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15, and Thursdays at \$12. For reservations, call 850.221.7599 or go online www.panhandlecommunitytheatre.com. The show will be held at 4646 Woodbine Rd. Pace, FL 32571. We hope to see you there!

Volunteer Opportunity with University of Alabama

We have another great opportunity to get out and volunteer. The University of Alabama is having their big scholarship event this year again and is having former NBA point guard and current University of Alabama basketball coach Avery Johnson as their speaker. They are also trying to get former basketball and football players to attend. This event will be held Aug. 2 at 3 p.m., on PSC Main Campus. If you or any of your Sailors are interested, please contact me or ABH2 Wyrock so we can get their name on the list at first come, first serve basis (5 slots open as of now) NLT 26July2016 at 1200. The attire will be a crimson/white collar shirt with khaki/dress pants, as this a University of Alabama fundraiser.

Santa Rosa County Libraries Closed for Polaris Software Upgrades

All Santa Rosa County libraries will be closed on Thursday, Aug. 4 for Polaris software upgrades. Polaris is the software the library system uses for the checking in and out of materials, the catalog, patron accounts, and database access. Resources that are typically available on the library website will be unavailable at this time as well. Items will not be due on that day, but can be returned in the library book drops. The Santa Rosa County Library System has libraries in Gulf Breeze, Jay, Milton, Navarre, and Pace. Libraries will resume normal business hours on Friday, August 5. We appreciate your patience as we continue to provide the best customer service possible.

Christmas Committee Car Wash

The Christmas Committee will be hosting a car wash at Ollie's in Milton from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6. They will be accepting donations and all proceeds will go towards the NAS Whiting Field Christmas party at the end of the year. There will also be serving free hot dogs and water.

SafeTALK Workshop

The SafeTALK Workshop prepares helpers to identify persons with thoughts of suicide, talk about suicide and connect them to suicide first aid resources. Most people with thoughts of suicide, either directly or indirectly, invite help to stay safe. Alert helpers know how to identify and work with the opportunities to help protect life.

The workshop will be held on Thursday, Aug. 8 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at J.B. McKamey center Classrooms Bldg. 634, NAS Pensacola. To register, contact the NAS Pensacola Chapel CREDO Detachment and provide rank, name, contact information, and supervisor's name. You must be able to participate in the entire workshop! If you have any questions, contact NAS Pensacola CREDO Detachment at (850) 452-2093 or e-mail tony.bradford.ctr@navy.mil.

MMOA Roadshow

The Annual Manpower Management Officer Assignments (MMOA) branch visit to the Marine Corps' major commands has kicked off. The Pensacola area is the second stop on the tour throughout the United States and Japan. MMOA Roadshow will be at NAS Whiting Field on Aug. 8 and Aug. 9 for NAS Pensacola. Each visit begins with an all-officer Man-

power Overview Brief to provide commanders and officers with the most up-to-date information on assignments, retention, career designation, promotions and command selection. There will be a brief at 8 a.m. on Aug. 8 at NASWF Base Auditorium. Immediately following the all-officer brief, personal interviews will be conducted by aviation and ground monitors. To schedule interviews at NASWF, Marines should email sonja.presley@navy.mil or call (850) 623-7147.

Personal Resiliency Workshop

Our Personal Resilience Retreat will help foster your personal holistic growth including physical, psychological, emotional, and spiritual aspects. The workshop will be held on Aug. 25 at J.B. McKamey Center Bldg. 634, NAS Pensacola. To register, contact CREDO Facilitator e-mail tony.bradford.ctr@navy.mil or call (850) 452-2093.

ASIST Workshop

The Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training Workshop is for anyone who wants to feel more comfortable, confident, and competent in helping to prevent the immediate risks of suicide. Over one million caregivers have participated in this two-day, highly interactive, practical, practice-oriented workshop. Participation in the full two days is required. Enjoy small group discussions and skills that are based upon adult learning principles and experience powerful videos on suicide intervention. Feel challenged and safe. Learn suicide first aid. The workshop will be on Sept. 28 and 29 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., both days at the J.B. McKamey Center Classrooms Bldg. 634, NAS Pensacola. To sign up, contact CREDO facilitator Tony Bradford or chapel staff with member's rank, name, contact information, and supervisor's name at (850) 452-2341 or tony.bradford.ctr@navy.mil. Registration ends Sept 22!

Voluntary Leave Transfer Program for Jason Nezat

Jason M. Nezat is a Firefighter at NAS Panama City. He is under the Voluntary Leave Transfer Program and is in urgent need of annual leave donations. If anyone would like additional information concerning the Leave Transfer Program, they may contact me at 305-293-2783 or by email at kathleen.mcguire1@navy.mil. Your concern for another federal employee is greatly appreciated.



NEX Healthy Lifestyle Festival

Naval Air Station Whiting Field Navy Exchange and Commissary put together a festival to promote a healthy lifestyle of eating right and getting fit. The NEX held a 2 min spin challenge to see who can reach the fastest heart rate. NAS Whiting Field Life Guard Sydney Barba took first place with 170 beats per minute. Holding her prize, Sydney stands with NEX manager Candy Matthews, left, and MWR Lead Fitness Specialist Ariel Galpo, right. U.S. Navy Photo by Lt. j.g. Marissa Tungjunyatham.

Congratulations to the VT Solos

VT-3

2nd Lt. Antonio Abagnale, INTL

Ensign William Connerley, USN

2nd Lt. Joseph Doyle, USMC

Ensign Amanda Graham, USN

Ensign Zachery Hebda, USN

Ensign Rosalyn Hunerkoch, USN

Ensign Larajean Lauzen, USN

Ensign Matthew Soper, USN

2nd Lt. Michael Smargiassi

Ensign Evan Swinghamer, USCG

Ensign Nicholas Tucker, USN

Ensign Raymond Fanara, USN

2nd Lt. Mitchell Kain, USMC

Ensign Thomas Sykes, USN

2nd Lt. Connor White, USMC

Snack Bar

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New check-in Student Naval Aviator Ensign Michael Massey and his friend Ensign Jordan Radford heard about the new restaurant during the MWR portion for their initial check-in brief and decided to give it a try. "The Mexican pizza is delicious, I definitely recommend it."

The building was left vacant for around four to five years following its closure due to financial constraints. "All MWR facilities are run like businesses, and if they go under, they will close," says MWR Director Tom Kubalewski, but "based on the command climate surveys, there was a demand for the new snack bar as a North Field versus South Field rivalry."

The small tan and white building's entrance can be found by walking through the North Field flight line gate at the corner of the parking lot by the VT-6 line shack, and then turn left, heading towards the Paraloft.

The hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 10:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. The North Field Snack Bar does not yet offer call-ahead orders, but for more information please contact (850) 623-6292. Also, to let the MWR know how they are doing, please fill out the short electronic survey and provide any comments, questions or concerns you may have to improve your experience. www.surveymonkey.com/r/foodbeveragewhitingfield.



Directions to the Northfield Snackbar U.S. Navy Graphic by Ensign Kyle Shields.



Ensign Michael Massey and Ensign Jordan Radford are excited to try Northfield Snackbar's unique menu item, the Mexican Pizza. U.S. Navy Photo by Ensign Kyle Shields.



Northfield Snackbar is located in between the Paraloft and Training Squadron SIX's lineshack on Tow Ln. U.S. Navy Photo by Ensign Kyle Shields.



Food options include a wide variety of South of the Border flavors, including toquitos, nachos, and churros. U.S. Navy Photos by Lt. j.g. Marissa Tungjunyatham

Congratulations to TRAWING 5 Wingers



Top Row: Lt. Col. Cory DeKraai, USMC, CO HT-28; Lt. j.g. David Kaminky, USN, HT-18; 1st Lt. Joshua Elmore, USMC, HT-18; Lt. j.g. Andrew Ireland; 1st Lt. Ryan Menasco, USMC, HT-8; Lt. j.g. Evan Ladner, USN, HT-8; Capt. Mark Murray, USN, Commodore TW-5; **Middle Row:** Cmdr. Brian Sanderson, USN, CO HT-18; 1st Lt. Spencer Caddell, USMC, HT-18; 1st Lt. Justin Lenhart, USMC, HT-8; Lt. j.g. Thomas Gaus, USN, HT-28; 1st Lt. Scott Griffith, USMC, HT-28; 1st Lt. Bradley Hood, USMC, HT-8; Col. Damien Marsh, USMC, Director of Inspections for the Inspector General of the Marine Corps; **Bottom Row:** Cmdr. Stephen Audelo, USN, XO HT-8; 1st Lt. Dustin Merli, USMC, HT-8; Lt. j.g. Matthew Anderson, USN, HT-8; Lt. j.g. Ethan Gray, USN, HT-18; Lt. j.g. Scott Rowe, USN, HT-8; 1st Lt. Peter Shelton, USMC, HT-18; 1st Lt. Audrianna Llinás, USMC, HT-18. U.S. Navy Photo by Lt. j.g. Marissa Tungjunyatham.



Congratulations to our Training Air Wing FIVE Academic Scholars from July 13 and July 15. Their awards were presented at the TRAWING 5 Headquarters building. Photo courtesy of Training Air Wing FIVE.

SECURITY CORNER

By: Stacy McFadden, NAS Whiting Field Security



Security Corner will review Things Your Burglar Won't Tell You Part 1

1. Of course I look familiar. I was here just last week cleaning your carpets, painting your shutters, or delivering your new refrigerator.

2. Hey, thanks for letting me use the bathroom when I was working

in your yard last week. While I was in there, I unlatched the back window to make my return a little easier.

3. Love those flowers. That tells me you have taste ... And taste means there are nice things inside. Those yard toys your kids leave out always make me wonder what type of gaming system they have.

4. Yes, I really do look for newspapers piled up on the driveway. And I might leave a pizza flyer in your front door to see how long it takes you to remove it.

5. If it snows (probably not in Santa Rosa County) while you're out of town, get a neighbor to create car and foot tracks into the house. Virgin drifts in the driveway are a dead giveaway.

6. If decorative glass is part of your front entrance, don't let your alarm company install the control pad where I can see if it's set. That makes it too easy.

7. A good security company alarms the window over the sink. And the windows on the second floor, which often access the master bedroom-and your jewelry. It's not a bad idea to put motion detectors up there too.

8. It's raining, you're fumbling with your umbrella, and you forget to lock your door-understandable. But understand this: I don't take a day off because of bad weather...

9. I always knock first. If you answer, I'll ask for directions somewhere or offer to clean your gutters. (Don't take me up on it.)

10. Do you really think I won't look in your sock drawer? I always check dresser drawers, the bedside table, and the medicine cabinet.

Dream Flight

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"We partner with OBAP as an opportunity under our outreach umbrella in an effort to reach qualified diverse candidates," he said. "We are looking forward to seeing some of these future aviators as naval aviators."

Burk said students accepted into either the ACE Academy or the Solo Flight Academy must have shown a genuine interest in aviation and demonstrated grades of exceptional academic caliber. While attending the ACE Academy, students are given the advantage to participate in activities with a strong influence on the STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) program. ✈️

Scholars

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His most surreal moment, however, was during the graduation dinner. From speaking with one of the coordinators, he thought he had a pretty good seat. When Vogt located his name card, he looked across and saw Mark Cuban's name and thought, "Wow, that's pretty cool." Then he looked next to his and saw "President William J. Clinton."

"You are just awestruck," he stated. "This was really a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. I can't think that there is another program to match it."

Editor's Note: The Presidential Leadership Scholars program is currently accepting applications for the 2017 class through midnight August 31. To qualify for consideration, applicants must be U.S. citizens and legal residents living and working in the United States or are able to get to the United States at their own expense for each module. See <http://www.presidentialleadershipscholars.org/the-program> for more information or to submit your application. 🐼

NAS Whiting Field Victory Garden Competition

"Congratulations to HT-18 on capturing the 2016 Victory Garden Competition championship. Their garden captured the spirit of the WWII victory garden with impressive plants and Walt Disney art (based on the art work of the Disney Studio to support the war effort). Their garden was truly outstanding. All the gardens had a nice variety of vegetation and the Commodore and I appreciated the efforts everyone obviously took with their gardens and creative displays. We look forward to next year's competition, thanks for all the hard work."

- NAS Whiting Field Commanding Officer, Capt. Todd Bahlau



HT-18 welcomes NAS Whiting Field Commanding Officer, Capt. Todd Bahlau and Commodore of Training Air Wing FIVE, Capt. Mark Murray to their Victory Garden. U.S. Navy Photo by Lt. j.g. Dat Nghiem.



2016 Tropical Storm Names & 2016 Hurricane Names:

Alex, Bonnie, Colin, Danielle, Earl, Fiona, Gaston, Hermine, Igor, Julia, Karl, Lisa, Matthew, Nicole, Otto, Paula, Richard, Shary, Tobias, Virginie, Walter

Category	Wind Speed (mph)	Damage at Landfall	Storm Surge (feet)
1	74-95	Minimal	4-5
2	96-110	Moderate	6-8
3	111-130	Extensive	9-12
4	131-155	Extreme	13-18
5	Over 155	Catastrophic	19+

HURRICANE BASICS

Hurricanes have the power to cause widespread devastation, and can affect both coastal and inland areas. *How to Prepare for a Hurricane* explains how to protect yourself and your property, and details the steps to take now so that you can act quickly at a time when every second counts.

WHAT Hurricanes are massive storm systems that form over the water and move toward land. Threats from hurricanes include high winds, heavy rainfall, storm surge, coastal and inland flooding, rip currents, and tornadoes. These large storms are called typhoons in the North Pacific Ocean and cyclones in other parts of the world.

The Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Wind Scale classifies hurricanes into five categories based on their wind speed, central pressure, and wind damage potential. With wind speeds of 111 miles per hour or more, Category 3, 4, and 5 hurricanes are major according to this scale. Category 1 and 2 hurricanes can also cause damage and injuries. The Saffir-Simpson scale is shown at the end of this document.

WHEN The Atlantic hurricane season runs from June 1 to November 30, with the peak occurring between mid-August and late October. The Eastern Pacific hurricane season begins May 15 and ends November 30.

WHERE Each year, many parts of the United States experience heavy rains, strong winds, floods, and coastal storm surges from tropical storms and hurricanes. Affected areas include all Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico coastal areas, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Hawaii, parts of the Southwest, the Pacific Coast, and the U.S. territories in the Pacific.

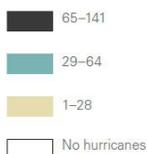
IMPACT Hurricanes can cause loss of life and catastrophic damage to property along coastlines and can extend several hundred miles inland. The extent of damage varies according to the size and wind intensity of the storm, the amount and duration of rainfall, the path of the storm, and other factors such as the number and type of buildings in the area, the terrain, and soil conditions. The effects include the following:

- Death or injury to people and animals;
- Damage or destruction of buildings and other structures;
- Disruption of transportation, gas, power, communications, and other services;
- Coastal flooding from heavy rains and storm surge; and
- Inland flooding from heavy rains.

KNOW THE RISK

Frequency of Hurricane and Tropical Storm Activity by County
Atlantic Data: 1851–2012 – Pacific Data: 1949–2012

This map depicts the frequency with which counties have experienced a hurricane or tropical storm based on a 125-mile-wide storm path around the center point of the storm.



Ready
Prepare. Plan. Stay Informed.

For more information on Hurricane Preparedness, visit <https://www.ready.gov/hurricanes>

Hurricane Readiness Kit



A basic emergency supply kit could include the following recommended items:

- **Water**, one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation
- **Food**, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food
- **Battery-powered or hand crank radio** and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both
- **Flashlight** and extra batteries
- **First aid kit**
- **Whistle** to signal for help
- **Dust mask** to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place
- **Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties** for personal sanitation
- **Wrench or pliers** to turn off utilities
- **Manual can opener** for food
- **Local maps**
- **Cell phone** with chargers, inverter or solar charger

Hurricane Conditions of Readiness

- 5 - Hurricane Season: 1 Jun – 30 Nov
- 4 - Destructive winds within 72 hours
- 3 - Destructive winds within 48 hours
- 2 - Destructive winds within 24 hours
- 1 – Destructive winds within 12 hours

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How to Receive Emergency Alerts and Updates

Receiving timely information about weather conditions or other emergency events can make all the difference in knowing when to take action and be safe. Local police and fire departments, Emergency Managers, the National Weather Service (NWS), the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), the National Oceanic and Atmosphere Administration (NOAA), and private industry are working together to make sure you can receive alerts and warnings quickly through different technologies no matter where you are – at home, school, at work, or in the community. For those with access and functional needs, many messages are TTY/TDD compatible and many devices have accessible accommodations.

AtHoc - is a computer based administrative broadcast system capable of contacting personnel via office, cell phone and/or computer system network consisting of notification from a central location that can override current computer applications, thus reaching all computer users nearly instantaneously.

Mobile device applications are also available for download from various Emergency Management and Federal Agencies that can help you receive emergency information for destructive weather conditions or other man-made or natural events.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) mobile applications is used to help people prepare for emergencies. The FEMA app allows them to check off the items they have in their family's emergency kit; enter family emergency meeting locations; review safety tips on what to do before, during, and after a disaster; view a map of shelters and disaster recovery centers across the United States; and read FEMA blog posts for up to date information about potential disastrous events. The application is designed to work even when there is no mobile service so people can access the information they need to anytime on their device.

FEMA also offers text-messaging service allowing people to receive updates from FEMA about disaster preparedness. People can text PREPARE to 43362 (4FEMA) to sign up for monthly disaster safety tips; SHELTER+ their ZIP code to the same number to find the nearest shelter in their respective areas; and DRC and their ZIP code to the same number for information about the nearest disaster recovery center. www.fema.gov/mobile-app



Other Mobile Device Applications



American Red Cross Apps - A number of preparedness apps including First Aid, Floods, Tornados, Earthquakes, Wildfires, Hurricanes, Volunteer, Shelter Finder. The apps include interactive videos, quizzes and simple step-by-step advice. In addition, they include customizable warning indicators if you live in areas prone to natural disasters. <http://www.redcross.org/prepare/mobile-apps>

The National Weather Service (NWS) is responsible for providing weather, water, and climate information widely available to everyone using commonly accepted standards and technologies to include wireless mobile devices and cell phones. NWS interests in providing public services in the most cost effective manner, will provide information such as watches, warnings, advisories, weather statements, forecasts and observations. This service will be made available on a "pull" basis only, and will not provide services that "push" content to wireless users on any type of schedule or event. Simply put, the user will have to refresh their mobile NWS connection to receive the next posted update. <http://mobile.weather.gov>



EVACUATING YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY

Prepare now in the event of an evacuation.

Evacuations are more common than many people realize. Fires and floods cause evacuations most frequently across the U.S. and almost every year, people along coastlines evacuate as hurricanes approach. In addition, hundreds of times a year, transportation and industrial accidents release harmful substances, forcing many people to leave their homes.



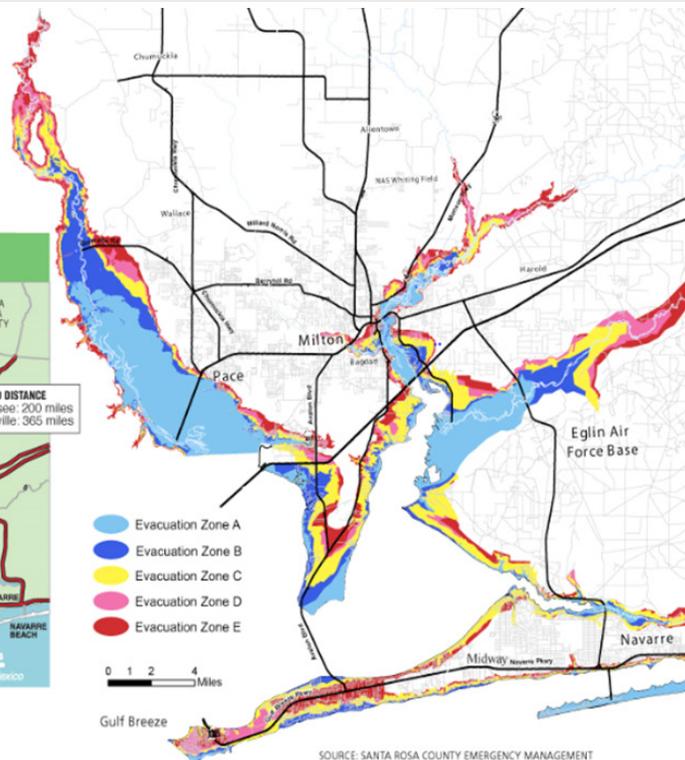
In some circumstances, local officials decide that the hazards are serious and require mandatory evacuations. In others, evacuations are advised or households decide to evacuate to avoid situations they believe are potentially dangerous. When community evacuations become necessary local officials provide information to the public through the media. In some circumstances, other warning methods, such as sirens, text alerts, emails or telephone calls are used.

The amount of time you have to leave will depend on the hazard. If the event is a weather condition, such as a hurricane, you might have a day or two to get ready. However, many disasters allow no time for people to gather even the most basic necessities, which is why planning ahead is essential.

Plan how you will assemble your family and supplies and anticipate where you will go for different situations. Choose several destinations in different directions so you have options in an emergency and know the evacuation routes to get to those destinations.

Santa Rosa County

EVACUATION ROUTES



Follow these guidelines for evacuation:

- Plan places for your family to meet, within and outside your immediate neighborhood.
- If you have a car, keep a full tank of gas if an evacuation seems likely. Keep a half tank for unexpected needs. Gas stations may be closed during emergencies or power outages.
- Become familiar with alternate routes or other means of transportation in the area. Choose several destinations.
- Leave early enough to avoid being trapped by severe weather.
- Follow recommended evacuation routes, Don't take shortcuts; they may be blocked.
- Be alert for road hazards such as washed-out roads or bridges and downed power lines. Do not drive into flooded areas.