

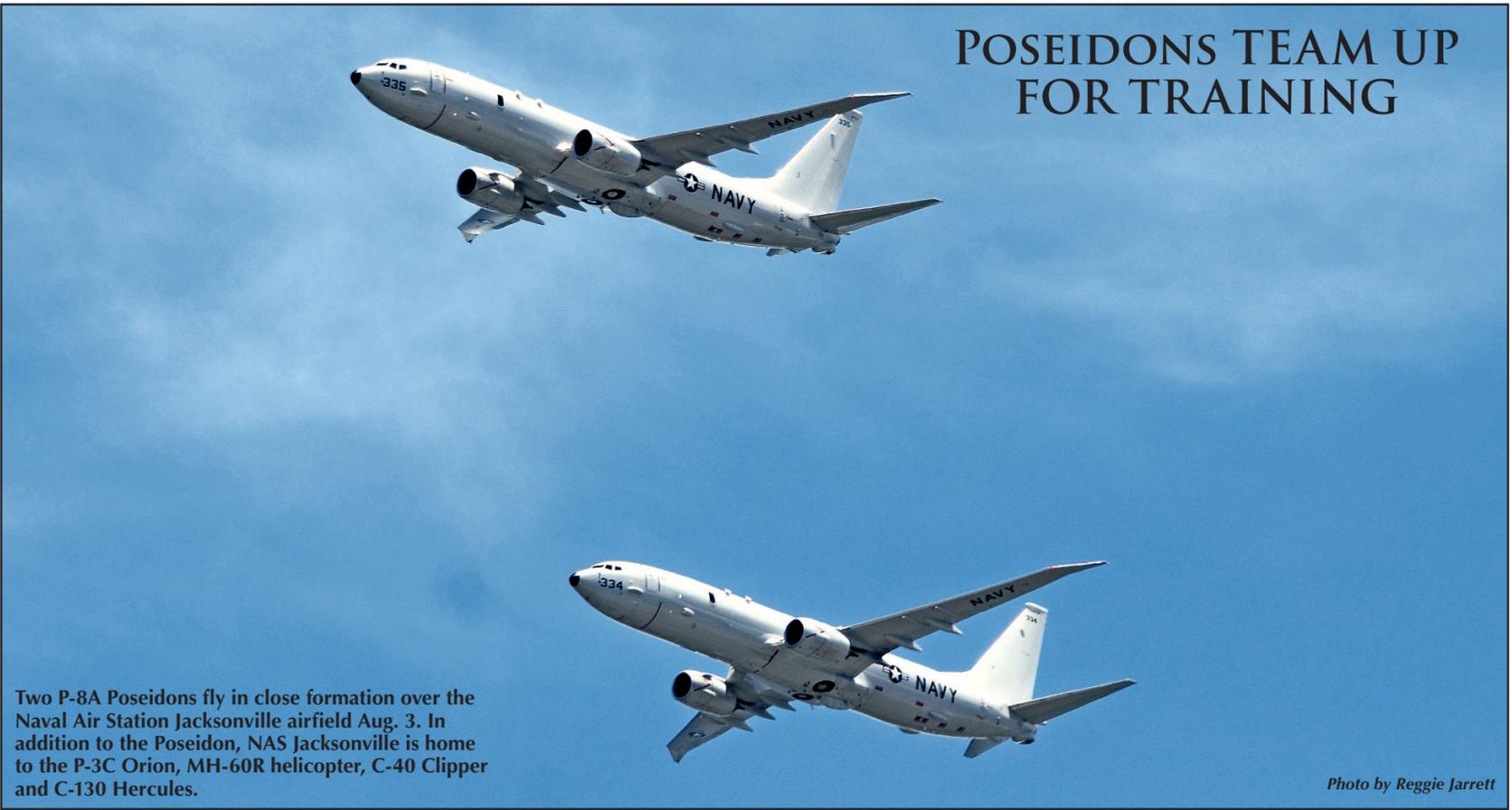


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POSEIDONS TEAM UP FOR TRAINING

Two P-8A Poseidons fly in close formation over the Naval Air Station Jacksonville airfield Aug. 3. In addition to the Poseidon, NAS Jacksonville is home to the P-3C Orion, MH-60R helicopter, C-40 Clipper and C-130 Hercules.

Photo by Reggie Jarrett



Courtesy photo

A P-8A Poseidon from Patrol Squadron 16 launches a Harpoon missile during the 2018 Rim of the Pacific training exercise earlier this summer.

VP-16 launches Harpoon at RIMPAC 2018

By MC3 William C. Andrews
VP-16 Public Affairs

Patrol Squadron (VP) 16 participated in the Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) 2018 exercise this summer alongside 26 other allied forces in and around the Hawaiian Islands.

RIMPAC is the world's largest biennial international maritime warfare exercise and this RIMPAC will mark its 26th occurrence.

The exercise began in 1971 as a way to solidify the protection and security of the world's oceans. Since RIMPAC's inception, the United States, Australia and Canada have participated in every exercise. In 2010, there were 14 participating entities and by 2018, the number grew to 26.

RIMPAC 2018 consisted of 47 surface ships, five submarines, more than 200 aircraft and 25,000 personnel. VP-16 was one of the U.S. Navy's

P-8A Poseidon squadrons that worked with other maritime patrol aircraft from countries to include Australia, Canada, India, Japan, New Zealand and South Korea. VP-16 also worked with a number of other participating nations' surface ships and aircraft.

The detachment consisted of three combat aircrews as well as a full maintenance detachment to participate in the exercise. The detachment executed 28 flights, 24 of which were anti-submarine warfare missions. Over 17 fly days, VP-16's RIMPAC detachment flew 150 flight hours, with approximately 45 hours of subsurface contact while successfully launching three torpedoes and one Harpoon. Throughout the month of July, 77 VP-16 personnel participated in RIMPAC.

While the primary mission of the P-8A is long-range anti-submarine warfare, the launch of the Harpoon dem-

onstrates another mission set the P-8 is capable of: anti-surface warfare. The AGM-84D Harpoon is an anti-ship cruise missile designed to be launched from an aircraft.

On July 14, VP-16's P-8 along with VP-47 set out on a sinking exercise (SINKEX) where the aircraft launched a Harpoon to demonstrate their capability and interoperability with RIMPAC participants. The target was a decommissioned ship, the former USS Racine.

In addition to the efforts of the maritime patrol squadrons, F-18s, submarines, helicopters and other naval ships were also involved in the SINKEX and the ultimate sinking of the ship. The mission was a success with the Harpoon hitting the target.

VP-16's Lt. Adam Baker was the mission commander for the flight and stat-

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Photo by MC3 Ian Parham

Brazilian navy Rear Adm. Fernando Cozzolino, Commander of the Combined Force Maritime Component Command (CFMCC) for PANAMAX 2018, addresses key leadership for the CFMCC during the commander's update brief aboard Naval Station Mayport. The exercise is focused on the security of the Panama Canal and stability within the U.S. Southern Command area of responsibility.

PANAMAX 2018 concludes in Mayport

By MC2 Anna-Liesa Hussey

PANAMAX 2018 concluded at U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command/U.S. 4th Fleet (USNAVSO/FOURTHFLT), Aug. 10.

Since its inception in 2003, PANAMAX has become the one of the

largest coalition Command Post exercises in the world.

The exercise is focused on ensuring the defense of the Panama Canal, one of the most strategically and economi-

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Photo by MC3 Alex Perlman

Sailors man the rails on the flight deck of the aircraft carrier USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71). President Donald J. Trump signed the \$717 billion Fiscal 2019 National Defense Authorization Act Aug. 13.

President Trump signs Fiscal 2019 Defense Authorization Act

By Jim Garamone
DoD News, Defense Media Activity Public Affairs

President Donald J. Trump signed the \$717 billion Fiscal 2019 National Defense Authorization Act at a ceremony at Fort Drum, New York, Aug. 13.

The act - named for Arizona Sen. John S. McCain - authorizes a 2.6 per-

cent military pay raise and increases the active duty forces by 15,600 service members.

"With this new authorization, we will increase the size and strength of our military by adding thousands of new recruits to active duty, Reserve and

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THIS WEEK IN NAVY HISTORY

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1864 - Rear Adm. David Farragut's squadron captures Fort Morgan at Mobile Bay.

1958 - Massive concentration of Pacific Fleet in Quemoy-Matsu area prevents invasion of islands by China.

1958 - In Taiwan Straits Crisis, units of 7th Fleet move into Taiwan area to support Taiwan against Chinese Communists.

1963 - The first satellite communications ship, USNS Kingsport (T-AG-164) in Lagos, Nigeria, connected President John F. Kennedy with Nigerian Prime Minister Balewa who was aboard for the first satellite (Syncom II) relayed telephone conversation between heads of state.

Aug. 24

1814 - British invasion of Maryland and Washington, D.C. - Washington Navy Yard and ships burned to prevent capture by the British.

1912 - Launch of USS Jupiter, first electrically propelled Navy ship.

1942 - U.S. carrier aircraft begin two-day Battle of Eastern Solomon Islands where Japanese task force is defeated and one Japanese carrier sunk. Japanese recall expedition to recapture Guadalcanal.

Aug. 25

1843 - Steam frigate Missouri arrives at Gibraltar, completing first Trans-Atlantic crossing by U.S. steam powered ship.

1942 - Five Navy nurses captured on Guam are repatriated.

1951 - Twenty-three fighter aircraft from USS Essex (CV-9) escort Air Force heavy bombers attacking Najin, Korea - since target was beyond range of land-based fighters.

Aug. 26

1775 - Rhode Island Resolve: state delegates to Continental Congress press for creation of Continental Navy to protect the colonies.

1839 - Brig Washington seizes Spanish slaver, Amistad near Montauk Point, N.Y.

1861 - Union amphibious force lands near Hatteras, N.C.

1865 - Civil War ends with naval strength of more than 58,500 men and 600 ships.

Aug. 27

1917 - Squadron of minesweepers departs U.S. for service off coast of France.

1944 - USS Stingray (SS-186) lands men and supplies on Luzon, Philippines to support guerilla operations against the Japanese.

1945 - Pacific Fleet ships enter Sagami Bay, near Tokyo, Japan.

1959 - Off Cape Canaveral, Florida, USS Observation Island (EAG-154) makes first shipboard launching of a Polaris missile.

Aug. 28

1867 - Capt. William Reynolds raises U.S. flag over Midway Island and takes formal possession of the islands.

1952 - Units on USS Boxer (CV-21)



U.S. Navy Photo

Flying the Grumman F9F Panther, the Blue Angels performed for the last time on the east coast in 1950 at Naval Air Station Jacksonville - because the squadron was ordered to transition to a war footing due to the beginning of the Korean Conflict. They were redesignated as the VF-191 "Satan's Kittens." Lt. Cmdr. Johnny Magda was the only member of the Blue Angels who died during the Korean War. His plane was hit by a surface-to-air missile while on combat patrol.

launch an explosive-filled drone that explodes against the railroad bridge near Hungnam, Korea. First guided-missile launch from a ship during Korean Conflict.

1965 - Cmdr. Scott Carpenter and nine aquanauts enter SeaLab II, 205 ft. below Southern California waters to conduct underwater living and working tests.

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

1992 - Navy and Marine forces begin providing disaster relief after Typhoon Omar hit Guam.

1992 - Marine and Army forces begin

providing disaster relief in Florida after Hurricane Andrew.

Aug. 29

1861 - U.S. squadron captures forts at Hatteras Inlet, N.C.

1862 - Union gunboat Pittsburgh supports Army troops in landing at Eunice, Ark.

1915 - Navy salvage divers raise F-4, the first U.S. submarine sunk by accident.

1916 - Congress passes act for expansion of Navy but most ships not completed until after World War I.

1964 - USS Boxer and two LSDs arrive off coast of Hispaniola to give medical aid to Haiti and Dominican Republic that were badly damaged by Hurricane Cleo.

CNSF announces changes to SWO qualification instruction

From Commander, Naval Surface Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet Public Affairs

Commander, Naval Surface Forces/Commander of Naval Surface Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet announced a revision to the requirements for qualification and designation as a surface warfare officer (SWO) July 23.

Effective immediately, designators 116X and lateral transfers into the SWO community are the only designators eligible to pursue SWO qualification. This change aligns with new career path revisions, which focus on increased experience on ships, including increased bridge watchstanding opportunities for SWOs.

"The surface warfare officer qualification is the path to 1110 and is the crucible of a junior professional surface warfare officer to develop and master the core competencies necessary to excel as a future commanding officer of a warship," said Vice Adm. Richard Brown, commander, Naval Surface Forces/commander of Naval Surface Force U.S. Pacific Fleet. "My team and I remain committed to ensuring the future leaders of our community are properly trained and qualified."

Officers pursuing SWO qualification must be a commissioned officer permanently assigned to either a commissioned or pre-commissioning U.S. Navy surface ship.

Non-116X officers, who are currently pursuing a SWO qualification, are authorized to continue until Oct. 1.

Additionally, only commanding officers of commissioned surface ships may qualify officers who are perma-

nently assigned to their ship as SWOs. Once SWO qualification is achieved, transfer from one ship to another will not require requalification as a SWO or revalidation of the entire SWO PQS package. However, requalification in all applicable watchstations is required.

Further changes to the instruction include removing the time requirement for attaining SWO qualification and now documenting it in the instruction.

The minimum time requirement for SWOs to attain their qualification is not specified in the instruction. However, open communication with NPC is required if a qualification is expected to take longer than the first division officer tour. Ships must actively manage and maintain Personnel Qualification Standards Plan of Action and Milestones (PQS POAMs) for each officer to ensure the officer is on track for SWO qualification. In addition to the PQS POAM, SWOs must keep a log book of the amount of hours spent on the bridge. This information will be used when detailing junior officers to their second division officer and shore tours.

The update to the SWO qualification instruction follows a revision to the SWO Career Path and Training Continuum. The intent of the revised career path is to develop the most experienced and capable commanding officers who are specialists in five areas: seamanship, navigation, and shiphandling; combat systems; engineering; command and program management and administration; and leadership.

Anchor your maritime career with Navy COOL

By Glenn Sircy

Center for Information Warfare Training

Navy Credentialing Opportunities On-line (COOL) continues to offer maritime credentialing opportunities that, coupled with shipboard qualifications, may better prepare Sailors for the safe navigation and operation of afloat vessels while in the Navy, as well as post-service maritime employment.

Becoming credentialed permits individuals to sail in one of two merchant fleets, nationally credentialed and internationally endorsed. National credentials can be used for positions including passenger for hire vessels, charter boats, off-shore supply vessels, tow boats and domestic operations. The international endorsements are referenced as

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MEAT & POTATOES OF LIFE

The politics of marriage: What Congress might learn from husbands and wives

By Lisa Smith Molinari

In theory, marriage should be the perfect balance of power between two parties. A husband is the yin to his wife's yang. Spouses are each other's "better halves." Couples are like planets exerting complimentary gravitational pulls, caught in each other's orbits, circling together in one planetary system.

Romantic, right?

But in reality, marriage is often an adversarial system, requiring the two parties to regularly negotiate resolutions to conflicts.

Sound familiar?

All the talk of divisiveness in Washington these days has me wondering if the politicians might learn a few things from how typical husbands and wives manage to make decisions on everything from buying a new couch to whose mother is coming for Thanksgiving.

When I met my Navy husband, Francis, he was a bit of a dark horse candidate. He came from out of nowhere, in a time in my life when I wasn't looking for a running mate. But much to my surprise, we had one of those goofy "love at first sight" kind of meetings, and after a brief courtship, we tied the knot and I became a military spouse.

We've spent the last 24 years working together to make our union run smoothly.

Thankfully, we found out that we have very similar platforms on big ticket items such as politics, morality, military duty stations, NFL teams, and whether John Candy movies are the best (they are, in case you didn't know).

Certainly, there are some conflicts without an absolute majority opinion. Whether it's Thai food or pizza, comedy or suspense, lights on or lights off - sometimes a married couple has to hold a special session before they can come to an accord that each party can live with.

It certainly isn't easy. There's often lengthy debate, and sometimes filibuster - which, by the way, husbands completely tune out while their minds wander to things like cars, women's body parts, and peanuts.

When bargaining on whether to stay

home and watch the baseball game on Sunday or go blueberry picking with the family, a wife might try to negotiate a continuing resolution requiring her husband to give her a foot rub on the couch during the seventh inning stretch. While perusing the family's Netflix watch list on Friday night, a husband might try to logroll the swing voters (a.k.a., the kids) to vote for "Leprechaun: Back 2 Tha Hood" instead of "The Notebook." During debate over whose in-laws should get first dibs on Christmas, a husband might propagate "fake news" that his mother's recent attack of gout was arguably life-threatening and therefore entitles her to priority status.

Both husbands and wives will make shameless attempts to propagandize the family, promising pork barrel spending on sugared cereals, brand name clothing, expensive electronics, and puppies to garner support for their personal agendas. There's muckraking and mudslinging, dissent and demagoguery, tyranny and totalitarianism.

But in the end, even if it takes clouture, husbands and wives do something that our government just can't seem to do these days: they compromise.

Wives give in on golf outings as long as husbands help with dishes. Husbands give in on mani-pedis, as long as wives make meatballs. Whatever the terms of compromise, most married couples do what they need to do to keep their system of government running smoothly, just like Francis and I have done for the last 24 years.

That being said, I must confess, there is one thing in our marriage that Francis and I have yet to agree upon. You see, Francis insists that the toilet paper roll must be placed such that the edge of the paper hangs on the side of the roll closest to the wall; whereas, I firmly believe that toilet paper rolls are meant to hang so that the edge of the paper hangs on the side of the roll away from the wall.

This is our Cold War, our Berlin Wall, our 38th Parallel.

I fear we will never achieve detente, because getting Francis and I to compromise on toilet paper roll placement would take an Act of Congress, and that's something we know isn't going to happen any time soon.



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Personnel with the Naval Munitions Command Atlantic Detachment Jacksonville participate in a practice fuel spill drill aboard Naval Air Station Jacksonville July 12.



Jim Taylor (center), Naval Air Station Jacksonville facility spill response manager, examines the containment of a fuel spill from a torpedo during a drill at Naval Munitions Command Atlantic Detachment Jacksonville with GM2 Albert Ceja (left) and Francisco Zayas.

Photos by Reggie Jarrett



Personnel with Naval Munitions Command Atlantic Detachment Jacksonville respond quickly to contain a OTTO Fuel II spill from a torpedo during a drill aboard Naval Air Station Jacksonville July 12. The July drill was used to validate the procedures prior to the Torpedo Readiness Assessment Aug. 9, which the command passed with flying colors.



GM3 Austin Brodhacker (right) wears a hazardous materials suit as he decontaminates GM2 John Newman during a fuel spill drill while Francisco Zayas, civilian supervisor at Naval Munitions Command Atlantic Detachment Jacksonville observes.

NMC DET Torpedo Readiness Assessment Emergency Response Drill

By Jim Butters

NAS Jacksonville Training Officer

Emergency Response teams from Naval Air Station (NAS) Jacksonville responded to a simulated OTTO Fuel II spill at Building 327 in support of Navy Munitions Command (NMC) Detachment Jacksonville Torpedo Readiness Assessment (TRA) Aug. 9.

GM1 Christopher Grabb, training team coordinator

for NMC DET worked closely with NAS Jacksonville's Training Officer Jim Butters to develop the simulated drill that would capture the coordination of emergency response assets from the installation.

The scenario of a simulated failed handling strap causing a dropped weapon to crack and leak the torpedo fuel initiating a 911 response by the NAS Jacksonville Fire Department and Environmental Spill team led by Jim Taylor.

The lead civilian TRA inspector and senior military inspector evaluated the team's support as the best they have seen and they set the bar for other torpedo service detachments.

Lt. William Keaton, NMC assistant officer in charge stated, "The drill went extremely well. Everyone came together to accomplish our goal, and accomplished it flawlessly. It is a true testament of the outstanding team and support we have aboard NAS Jacksonville."

New leader takes command at TPU/PFC Jax

By Staff

Cmdr. Timothy Yeich relieved Cmdr. Karl Giles as the fifth commanding officer of Transient Personnel Unit/Pre-Trial Confinement Facility Jacksonville (TPU/PCF Jax) during a change of command ceremony at Naval Air Station Jacksonville Aug. 8.

NAS Jax Commanding Officer Capt. Michael Connor was the guest speaker and praised Giles for his leadership by highlighting some of the accomplishments of the command.

"The first measure of a command is how well they do at accomplishing their mission.

For TPU/PCF Jax, they passed every Navy Personnel Command inspection during Cmdr. Giles' tenure including the first-ever Department of Justice Prison Rape Elimination Act Inspection in 2016," said Connor.

"The second measure of how a command is doing is by the well-being and morale of the Sailors and staff. Some of these accomplishments and initiatives include: Two-time Retention Excellence Award Winner; five consecutive 100 percent physical readiness test passing rate, leading the NAS Jax Captains Cup competition by 120 points heading into the final months of the competition and reduce his Sailors working hours 30 percent by making sure the command only had the right number of personnel on duty to complete the mission."

During the ceremony, Giles was presented the Meritorious Service Medal for his accomplishments leading the command.

Giles was recognized for leading a staff of 70 Sailors and civilians in the proficient and timely processing of more than 3,000 transient Sailors supporting 247 afloat and ashore commands.

Yeich is a native of Lebanon, Pennsylvania, and graduated from Carson Long Military Academy in June 1986. He attended Frostburg State University in September 1986 to May 1987. He enlisted in the Navy in August 1987 and attended Recruit Training and Apprenticeship Training at RTC/NTC San Diego.

Yeich's sea tours include USS Henry B. Wilson (DDG-7), USS Okinawa (LPH-3) where he deployed in support of Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm. He was a plank owner aboard USS Rainer (AOE-7), where he earned his enlisted surface warfare qualification and USS Bridge (AOE-10), where he was initiated and promoted to chief petty officer in September 1999. His first tour after receiving his commission was replenishment-at-sea officer aboard USS Seattle (AOE-3) where he completed his surface warfare officer qualification. While serving at Beachmaster Unit 2, he embarked



Photos by OS2 Kameran Carter

(From left) Naval Air Station Jacksonville (NAS Jax) Commanding Officer Capt. Michael Connor, outgoing Transient Personnel Unit/Pre-trial Confinement Facility (TPU/PCF) Commanding Officer Cmdr. Karl Giles, incoming TPU/PCF Commanding Officer Cmdr. Timothy Yeich and NAS Jax Chaplain Lt. Kyron Bell stand at attention during the playing of the national anthem at the TPU/PCF Change of Command ceremony Aug. 8.

and deployed aboard USS Shreveport (LPD-12). During his next tour with Amphibious Construction Battalion 2, he served as maritime prepositioning force officer and Bravo Company commander, and earned his Seabee combat warfare officer qualification.

Yeich also served as the assistant first lieutenant aboard USS Iwo Jima (LHD-7) where he completed his qualification as a tactical action officer. Additionally, he served as the first lieutenant aboard USS San Antonio (LPD-17), and aboard USS Carl Vinson (CVN-70) where he deployed in support of Operation Inherent Resolve.



Officer Cmdr. Karl Giles with a Meritorious Service Medal during the TPU/PCF Change of Command at the All Saint's Chapel Aug. 8.

His shore assignments include: Naval Amphibious School, Coronado, California, where he earned his master training specialist qualification and various port operations assignments at Naval Station Everett, Washington, Naval Station Norfolk, Virginia, and Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

In May 2015, Yeich reported as the operations officer at Naval Station Guantanamo, Cuba.

Yeich has earned a dual Associate in Arts degree in Business Administration and Vocational and Technical Education.

His numerous personal awards include the Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (eight awards), and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (four awards).

Giles is reporting to Fleet Forces Command in Norfolk, Virginia.

Naval Air Station Jacksonville Commanding Officer Capt. Michael Connor (left), presents outgoing Transient Personnel Unit/Pre-trial Confinement Facility Commanding



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CPO SELECTS



Chief petty officer selectees line up for early morning physical training, while other chiefs conduct quick inspections.



AWFC (select) Shawn Lawson of Fleet Logistics Support Squadron 62, cleans the tire of a TBM Avenger aircraft during the annual Chief Petty Officer Select Plane Wash event at Naval Air Station Jacksonville's Heritage Park Aug. 15.



Chief petty officer selectees from Naval Air Station Jacksonville wash an A-4 Skyhawk at Heritage Park aboard the base.

Photos by ATC Fred Gamache



A group of chief petty officer (CPO) selects team up to wash a S-2 Tracker aircraft at Naval Air Station Jacksonville's Heritage Park. The annual event promotes camaraderie and leadership during the CPO training season.



A team of chief petty officer selectees hose down one of the many historic planes located aboard the station.

PHASE II IN FULL SWING FOR CPO SELECTS

By Staff

Naval Air Station Jacksonville (NAS Jax) is currently buzzing with orange T-shirted chief petty officer (CPO) selectees. Around 94 selectees are participating in activities ranging from early morning physical training to the annual plane wash at Heritage Park.

"With the results coming out a little bit later than normal, we are off to a great start and expect to have a successful initiation season," said NAS Jax Command Master Chief Jeffery Waters.

For one sleep-deprived selectee, no matter what is thrown his way, he is still looking forward to the daily challenges.

"Overall, the season has been

very interesting and it is very intensive training, but still fun," said BMC (select) Stephan Marriott of Naval Air Station Jacksonville's Boat House.

"It has really opened my eyes and I am looking to tackle whatever assignment comes with the anchors," he continued. "This milestone is the biggest accomplishment in my career and I never thought I would make it this far."

The CPO Pride Day is scheduled for Sept. 6 at 8 a.m. starting at the Memorial Wall downtown Jacksonville. The event will move to Veterans Memorial Arena and feature competitions throughout the day. CPO pinning is scheduled for Sept. 14.



A MH-60 Romeo helicopter is washed by down by chief petty officer selectees Aug. 15.



Naval Air Station Jacksonville Liberty Center patrons brave the rapids while on a whitewater rafting trip to Ocoee, Tennessee. The center offers numerous trips throughout the year, including ski trips in winter.



A Liberty Center patron climbs up the rope obstacle at Mighty Orion Fitness Center in Orange Park.



Patrons of the NAS Jax Liberty Center pose in front of a tiger at Catty Shack Ranch during an outing July 7. For events occurring off base, transportation is always provided.



Service members aboard Naval Air Station Jacksonville took part in a chartered fishing trip near Mayport July 29. The fee for the trip included the cost of the licenses, bait, transportation and all other fees associated.

Liberty Center offers fun outings

By Staff

The Naval Air Station Jacksonville Liberty Center has a tightly-packed monthly calendar planned with events that nearly everyone could find an activity they enjoy. In the month of August, the center offered eight free events that included two NFL games with transportation.

"We work really hard to seek out new and interesting events for our service members aboard the base," said Liberty Center Program Manager Jaime Shugart.

The center was rehabbed last year and reopened July 27, 2017, featuring not only new flooring and carpet, but also flat-screen televisions, gaming areas and USB phone chargers, as well as numerous other perks.

The big trip of the month was to Chattanooga, Tennessee, for a whitewater rafting trip. The Liberty Center partnered with Navy Community Recreation and opened up the trip to all base personnel, as Liberty Center events are limited to E1-E6 military and geobachelors.

"This was the second trip we have done in conjunction with Community Recreation and I think it is nice to allow everyone to enjoy some of the fun things we do regularly," said Shugart.

"I often hear from people that they are envious of the younger military and the opportunities we provide."

One upcoming notable event for next month is the Fall Barracks Bash Sept. 20 from 4-8 p.m. There will be inflatables, games, prizes, food, Zombie themed T-shirts and a DJ. The center is looking for volunteers for various duties before, during, and after the event. For those interested in volunteering, call 542-3491.



AN Tristan Collister (left) of Patrol Squadron-30 and Kolyn Paswater, a student at the Center for Naval Aviation Technical Training Unit Jacksonville, meet a new friend on a Liberty Center trip to the Jacksonville Humane Society.



AWO3 Levi Moore, of Patrol Squadron-30, takes a dog for a walk while on a Liberty Center trip to the Jacksonville Humane Society Aug. 19.

Photos courtesy of The Liberty Center



Naval Air Station Jacksonville Liberty Center patrons enjoy table tennis and pool free of charge daily between the hours of 11 a.m.-10 p.m.

Patrons of Naval Air Station Jacksonville's Liberty Center get a little wet during a whitewater rafting trip Aug. 11 in Tennessee. There were three boats of participants during this trip.



CNRSE awards Blue Jacket, Junior Sailor and Senior Sailor of the Second Quarter 2018

By Suzanne Speight

Navy Region Southeast Public Affairs

MU1 Joel Packer, MA2 Ashley Herrera and MU2 Andrew Willis received Commander, Navy Region Southeast's (CNRSE) Senior and Junior Sailor of the Quarter, and Bluejacket of the Quarter recognition at an awards ceremony Aug. 1.

Packer led a group of 29 Sailors during a 32-day deploy-

ment in support of four Navy Weeks and Fleet Weeks in select locations throughout the region. He said he was proud of his team's accomplishments during that busy time. Packer hails from Chicago and has been in the Navy for nearly 14 years. He is also the career counselor and sponsor coordinator for Navy Band Southeast.

"I am humbly honored and proud to have been selected

as the CNRSE Sailor of the Quarter," he said.

"It really means a lot that my leadership took the time to nominate me for this honor."

Packer will report to the Naval School of Music "Unit Leader Course" at Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek, Virginia, later this fall. Beyond that, he looks forward to continuing his career in the Navy and traveling around the

world with his wife and two children.

Herrera grew up in Yuma, Arizona, and has been in the Navy since 2013. She is temporarily assigned to the Navy Region Southeast administrative department and said she was honored to be selected as Junior Sailor of the Quarter.

"I was surprised and excited," she said.

"I feel glad that my hard work

is being recognized, particularly in a field outside of my rate that I originally trained in." Herrera said it has been good to see a different aspect of the Navy.

"I think people tend to underestimate administrative work," she said.

"Yeoman work is definitely more challenging than I

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NAS Jax names Civilians of the Quarter

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Two Naval Air Station Jacksonville (NAS Jax) employees have been recognized as the 2018 junior and senior civilians of the third quarter. NAS Jax Public Affairs Officer (PAO) Kaylee LaRocque is the senior civilian of the quarter and Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) Family Life Specialist Paul Stewart is the junior civilian of the quarter.

LaRocque began working at NAS Jax in 2001 as the Jax Air News editor after retiring from the Navy as a chief journalist. In 2008, she became the station's assistant PAO until transferring to Fleet Readiness Center Southeast Public Affairs in 2013, working as a writer and deputy PAO. She returned as the NAS Jax PAO in February 2016.

"I'm so appreciative of being selected for this award and for being recognized for doing a job that I absolutely love," said LaRocque. "We have top-notch leadership and a great team here who continually strive to support one another and the command's mission of supporting the warfighters. Although our PAO staff is small, we do whatever we can to promote command and tenant command activities and recognize the Sailors, civilian and contractors on their accomplishments."

LaRocque is responsible for overseeing the production of *Jax Air News*, Base Welcome Aboard Guide, social media (Facebook/Twitter) pages,



Photo by Reggie Jarrett

Senior Civilian of the Quarter for FY18 third quarter Kaylee LaRocque oversees publication of *Jax Air News* as part of her duties as public affairs officer for Naval Air Station Jacksonville.

base website, command marquee, coordinating VIP tours, responding to media requests and handling media visits, air show publicity, and currently working with the NAS Jax Environmental Department, Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southeast and contractors on the NAS Jax drinking water investigation.

"This is a very fast-paced job and you never know what might come up during the day or night. From squadron homecomings to hurricanes to last minute VIP visits, we are usually involved in some way or another," said LaRocque. "It can be challenging at times, but we get the job done and rely on our resources. I've been here for a long time and know who to contact for the answers we may need."

In her free time, LaRocque

enjoys spending time with her teenage son and friends, traveling, the beach, yoga, rescuing animals and gardening.

Stewart began working for FFSC in 2009 at Naval Submarine Base (NSB) Kings Bay, Georgia, after he retired from the Navy as a chief career counselor. After joining the NAS Jax team in 2011, he served for 12 months in 2016 at Camp Lemonnier Djibouti, Africa.

"I am so honored and proud to be chosen for junior civilian of the quarter. It's really all the people around you that make this all happen," said Stewart.

He said his favorite accomplishment this year was meeting with the EverBank Management team, teaching them how military jobs soft skills translate to the civilian workforce.

"I have a huge passion for



Photo by AO2 Haley Ballard

Junior Civilian of the Quarter for FY18 third quarter Paul Stewart is a family life counselor for Fleet and Family Support Center. His duties include assisting in teaching the Transition Goals, Plans, Success (TGPS) program.

helping Sailors and their families," he said.

Among his other accomplishments for FFSC, he planned and coordinated the FFSC Marketing Blitz Campaign, marketing programs to more than 50 commands, agencies and venues aboard the station.

Stewart also coordinated return and reunion training for 25 staff members on processes and procedures to support deploying service members and their families.

Stewart said his favorite part of his job is, "the camaraderie with co-workers and being able to help service members, military spouses and retirees."

He developed an accountability inventory and coordi-

nated software updates for 50 TGPS and 20 career resource lab computers. Stewart also spearheaded a research base training initiative for the 21st Century Sailor office to educate Sailors on intervention of suicide and other destructive behaviors. Additionally, he assisted the NSB Kings Bay FFSC to teach "10 Steps to Federal Jobs" as the center does not have a certified trainer.

"Seeing them find a job and be so happy is really just one of the best parts of working with the military," Stewart said.

When not helping Sailors, he enjoys whitewater rafting and hiking with his family, playing guitar, writing songs and performing.

VP-16

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ed that the, "exercise was a great chance to for both the crew and maintenance teams to work with the Harpoon and get hands on experience."

VP-16's Commanding Officer Cmdr. Troy Tartaglia was impressed with the exercise stating, "this is an example that, not only are our crews and main-

tenance teams able to accomplish their mission, but they were able to do so working with other platforms and countries, a core goal of RIMPAC itself, making this exercise a undeniable success." VP-16's successful Harpoon shot continues to show just how capable the U.S. Navy's Maritime Patrol community is, both in its own primary missions and in combined operations.

Working with allied nations and

strengthening relationships is a major goal of RIMPAC, as evidenced by the motto, "Capable Adaptive Partners."

"You don't know what the global political climate will be in the next five years," said Lt. Cmdr. Sergio Ibarra, VP-16's assistant officer in charge during the exercise.

"RIMPAC is designed to encompass all like-minded, willing partner nations in order to build relationships

and friendships to shape our future climate."

VP-16 benefitted greatly from the exercise in ways beyond just flight hours and crew qualifications. Working side-by-side with all the various nations demonstrates worldwide teamwork.

The P-8A Poseidon continues to be a dominant force in naval aviation and can be expected to participate in future RIMPAC exercises.

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meeting the Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers.

These maritime credentials can be used to help bridge any training gaps to help better prepare Sailors to provide maritime dominance for the nation.

"Sailors working toward maritime credentials while in the Navy positively impacts fleet readiness through increased awareness of and training toward national and international maritime standards," said Jim Johnson, the Navy's voluntary education service chief.

"Additionally, these credentials can lead to valuable post-service job opportunities for Sailors."

If you are interested in attaining maritime credentials while in the Navy, or pursuing a career as a civilian mariner when you separate from the military, you must attain credentials from the U.S. Coast Guard through the National Maritime Center (NMC).

The NMC performs the statutory mission of credentialing qualified U.S. mariners who are compliant with domestic or international standards.

The authoritative requirements are on NMC's website which includes sea-time responsibilities and general requirements. Similar to the United Services Military Apprenticeship Program (USMAP), you complete requirements by the very nature of your military tasking.

However, waiting until you are ready to transition could significantly limit your level of credential.

"These opportunities are a big win for the readiness of our fleet, our Sailors and for Sailor 2025," said COOL's director Keith Boring.

"Safe ship handling and navigation in our Navy are paramount and offering credentials that support these basic tenets ensures safe and effective operations at sea."

For more detailed information about mariner careers, U.S. Coast Guard credentialing requirements, how to apply for U.S. Coast Guard credentials and how to use Navy COOL for funding, review the Blueprint to Mariner document found here: <https://www.cool.navy.mil/usn/pubs/blueprint2mariner.pdf>.

Navy COOL provides information about licenses and certifications applicable to all Navy occupations, offering resources and funding to help Sailors gain appropriate civilian desired, and in many cases required, credentials.

COOL also provides other key resources such as Advancement Bibliographies (BIBs) and Learning and Development Roadmaps (LaDRs).

For more information about Navy COOL, visit <http://www.cool.navy.mil/> or call (850) 452-6683.

An additional program, the USMAP works closely with the Department of Labor to provide nationally-recognized apprenticeship programs that result in journeyman-level certificates of completion for members of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard.

For more information about the USMAP or to register for an apprenticeship, visit <http://usmap.netc.navy.mil/usmapss/static/index.htm> or call 1-877-838-1659 Option 4.

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PANAMAX

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cally crucial pieces of global infrastructure.

USNAVSO/FOURTHFLT hosted 314 U.S. and partner nation personnel comprising the Combined Maritime Component Command (CFMCC) during the command post exercise.

"We build partnerships, we build friendships, and we develop trust, said Rear Adm. Sean Buck, commander U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command/U.S. 4th Fleet.

"I think you all have heard this saying before; trust cannot be surged, it cannot just appear in a time of crisis, it has to be grown and earned over time, and these exercises serve to do just that," he added.

Joining the U.S. participants, this year's maritime portion of the exercise PANAMAX 2018 included 98 participants from 17 partner nations including: Argentina, Belize, Brazil, Chile, Columbia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru and Trinidad and Tobago.

PANAMAX 2018 was led by Brazilian Rear Adm. Fernando Cozzolino who served as the CFMCC commander, and Rear Adm. Linda Wackerman who served as his deputy commander.

USNAVSO/FOURTHFLT supports U.S. Southern Command's joint and combined full spectrum military operations by providing principally sea-based, forward presence to ensure freedom of maneuver in the maritime domain.

They also foster and sustain cooperative relationships with international partners and to fully exploit the sea as maneuver space in order to enhance regional security and promote peace, stability, and prosperity in the Caribbean, Central and South American regions.

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Lt. Elizabeth Klanderman, a dentist at Naval Branch Health Clinic Jacksonville, conducts an annual exam. Klanderman, a native of Madison, Wisconsin, says "You can

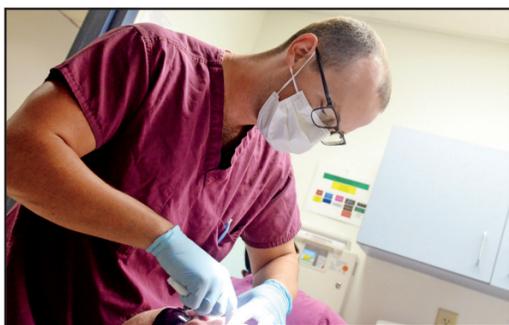
put a dentist anywhere around the globe and we'll get the job done. We support the Navy's needs!" The Navy Dental Corps was established Aug. 22, 1912, by an Act of Congress that was later signed by President Howard Taft.



Cmdr. John Williams, a Naval Branch Health Clinic Jacksonville dentist, restores a patient's

filling. Williams, a native of San Diego, California, says "The Dental Corps directly impacts the mission effectiveness of each Sailor and Marine: 'Can't fight 'em if you can't bite 'em.'" Five years after the Dental Corps was founded in 1912, the United States entered World War I. During that conflict, the Dental Corps expanded from 35 to more than 500 personnel, including 124 dentists commissioned in the regular Navy.

NDC 106TH BIRTHDAY



Lt. Cameron McMillin, a dentist at Naval Hospital Branch Health Clinic Jacksonville, conducts an annual dental exam. McMillin, a native of Orlando, says "We take care of the warfighters and make sure all the service members are ready to deploy or defend our freedoms." The Navy Dental Corps celebrated its 106th birthday Aug. 22 and continues to contribute to humanitarian missions around the world.

Cmdr. Nicole Ward, an exodontist at Naval Hospital Jacksonville, conducts oral surgery in the operating room. Ward, a native of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, says "I really enjoy being a part of the Navy Dental Corps because I have the opportunity to meet and treat people from different parts of the world. I'm honored to be a part of something much bigger than myself." From World War I to Afghanistan, the Dental Corps is vital to ensuring operational readiness of all who deploy. Dental Corps personnel serve with Marine Expeditionary Units and aboard ships, assuming roles in triage and surgical support at Marine Battalion aid stations and battle dressing stations. Mobile dental units are capable of providing dental care on any platform. The Dental Corps celebrated its 106th birthday Aug. 22.

Lt. Cmdr. Charlie Cage, a dentist at Naval Branch Health Clinic Jacksonville, conducts an annual exam. Cage, a native of Dominica, British West Indies, says "The Dental Corps plays a vital role in mission readiness. We provide quality dental care which enables the military force to focus on their assigned tasks and it always begins with a dental exam. We always work as a team; a team of dentists, hygienists, assistants and lab technicians." The Dental Corps was established in 1912, and a few years later, had an immediate impact during World War I.



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National Guard units, including 4,000 new active duty Soldiers," Trump told members of the Army's 10th Mountain Division and their families.

"And we will replace aging tanks, aging planes and ships with the most advanced and lethal technology ever developed. And hopefully, we'll be so strong, we'll never have to use it, but if we ever did, nobody has a chance."

Services' End Strength Set

The act sets active duty end strength for the Army at 487,500 in fiscal 2019, which begins Oct. 1. The Navy's end strength is set at 335,400, the Marine Corps' at 186,100 and the Air Force's at 329,100.

On the acquisition side, the act funds 77 F-35 joint strike fighters at \$7.6 billion. It also funds F-35 spares, modifications and depot repair capability. The budget also fully funds development of the B-21 bomber.

The act authorizes \$24.1 billion for shipbuilding to fully fund 13 new battle force ships and accelerate funding for several future ships.

This includes three Arleigh Burke-class destroyers and two Virginia-class submarines. There is also \$1.6 billion for three littoral combat ships.

In addition, the act authorizes 24 F/A-18 Super Hornets, 10 P-8A Poseidons,

two KC-130J Hercules, 25 AH-1Z Cobras, seven MV-22/CMV-22B Ospreys and three MQ-4 Tritons.

Afghanistan, Iraq

There is \$5.2 billion in the budget for the Afghanistan Security Forces Fund, and another \$850 million to train and equip Iraqi security forces to counter Islamic State of Iraq and Syria terrorists.

The budget accelerates research on hyperspace technology and defense against hyperspace missiles. It also funds development of artificial intelligence capabilities.

"In order to maintain America's military supremacy, we must always be on the cutting edge," the president said.

"That is why we are also proudly reasserting America's legacy of leadership in space. Our foreign competitors and adversaries have already begun weaponizing space."

The president said adversaries seek to negate America's advantage in space, and they have made progress.

"We'll be catching them very shortly," he added. "They want to jam transmissions, which threaten our battlefield operations and so many other things. We will be so far ahead of them in a very short period of time, your head will spin."

He said the Chinese military has launched a new military division to oversee its warfighting programs in space.

"Just like the air, the land, the sea,



Photo by Michael Strasser

President Donald J. Trump signs the \$717 billion Fiscal 2019 National Defense Authorization Act at a ceremony Aug. 13. The act authorizes \$24.1 billion for shipbuilding to fully fund 13 new battle force ships and accelerate funding for several future ships. This includes three Arleigh Burke-class destroyers and two Virginia-class submarines. There is also \$1.6 billion for three littoral combat ships.

space has become a warfighting domain," Trump said.

"It is not enough to merely have an American presence in space; we must have American dominance in space, and that is why just a few days ago, the vice president outlined my administration's plan to create a sixth branch of the

United States military called the United States Space Force."

The 2019 Authorization Act does not fund the military. Rather, it authorizes the policies under which funding will be set by the appropriations committees and then voted on by Congress. That bill is still under consideration.



MU1 Joel Packer



MU2 Andrew Willis



MA2 Ashley Herrera

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thought."

YNC Stacy McCune, Herrera's leading chief petty officer, said Herrera always puts forth her best effort. "MA2 Herrera is an outstanding Sailor, whose hard work and dedication proves as a Sailor you should remain flexible and prepared to work in any environment," said McCune. "She is a Master-At-Arms working as an awards clerk in an administrative office that supports not only the flag staff of the largest region in the Commander, Navy Installations Command enterprise, but also administratively supports 100,000 Sailors and

civilians at 18 installations."

Herrera plans to leave the Navy after her current tour. She is currently pursuing a bachelor's degree in Global Health and she looks forward to starting a new career in the healthcare field.

Willis, who was also recently promoted to Petty Officer Second Class, said he is thankful to have been selected as the CNRSE Bluejacket of the Quarter.

"I give all the credit to my supervisors for affording me many opportunities to excel," he said.

Willis served as the concertmaster for the wind ensemble during Fleet Week Port

Everglades and Navy Week Tampa. The concertmaster is tasked with organizing the logistics that are associated with a wind ensemble performance. The wind ensemble is Navy Band Southeast's largest performing unit.

Willis is from Houston and he has been in the Navy for just under two years.

Lt. Luslaida Barbosa, Director, Navy Band Southeast said she is thrilled for Packer and Willis on their selections. "I am very proud of these Sailors," she said. "They really exhibit pride and professionalism. They represent the Navy well and make great examples for others to follow."

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FRCSE rebounds to win Summer Basketball Championship

By Bill Bonser
MWR Sports Coordinator, NAS Jacksonville

The Fleet Readiness Center Southeast (FRCSE) Gold Basketball Team bounced back from not making the finals in the 2018 winter basketball league after winning seven consecutive basketball championships to win their fifth consecutive Intramural Summer Basketball Championship. FRCSE finished the regular season with a dismal 4-6 record and was seeded number seven out of 10 teams in the playoffs.

In the summer basketball playoffs, FRCSE recorded victories over Patrol Squadron (VP) 30; Fleet Logistics Support Squadron (VR) 58/VR-62; and VP-16 to get to the championship game. In the championship game, FRCSE faced the number one seed and undefeated (12-0) Naval Hospital Jacksonville (NAVHOSP) team. NAVHOSP led most of the time in the first half, however, FRCSE battled back to tie the game at half time at 23 points.

AT3 Steven Seider led FRCSE Det Jacksonville in scoring with 23 points. The game remained tight for the first part of the second half. NAVHOSP was attacking the basket, however, FRCSE denied many of the attempts with great defense.

FRCSE broke the game open by hitting three key three pointers to take the lead for good.

FRCSE went on to defeat NAVHOSP by the score



Courtesy photo

Members of the Fleet Readiness Center Southeast's Gold basketball team celebrate their 2018 Intramural Summer Basketball Championship and their fifth consecutive summer basketball championship.

of 60-50 to win the 2018 Captain's Cup Summer Basketball Championship and their fifth consecutive summer basketball championship.



Photo by Jacob Sippel

NH JAX AWARDEES

Capt. Kevin Brown (left), Naval Hospital Jacksonville executive officer, presents the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal to Lt. Cmdr. Dustin Smith for his meritorious service while serving as Assistant Family Medicine Residency Program Director. Smith managed the Navy's largest Family Medicine Residency Program, leading to continued accreditation and 100 percent board pass rate for the 13 residents. Other awardees included: Lt. Cmdr. Candace Foura (Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal), HM1 Sheena Murray (Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal), HM2 Elizani Bayardo (Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal), HM3 Johnathan Bellomay (Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal), and SH3 Christopher Knell (CO NAVSTA Jacksonville Letter of Appreciation).

Indoor Volleyball League forming

The league is open to active duty, selective reservists, DOD civilians, DOD contractors, dependent spouses assigned to a command at NAS Jacksonville and retirees. The games are played Tuesdays and Thursdays at lunchtime. Call 542-2930 to sign up your league.

Fall Softball League forming

The league is open to active duty, selective reservists, DOD civilians, DOD contractors, dependent spouses assigned to a command at NAS Jacksonville and Retirees. The games are played in the evenings on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Women's Softball Fall League forming

The league is open to active duty, selective reservists, DOD civilians, DOD contractors, dependents (18 and older) at NAS Jax and retirees. Games are played in the evenings on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

7-on-7 Flag Football League meeting

The league is open to active duty, selective reservists, DOD civilians, DOD contractors, dependent spouses assigned to a command at NAS Jacksonville and retirees. The games are played Mondays and Wednesdays in the evenings. The meeting will be held at the base gym,

NAS JAX SPORTS

in the second floor classroom outside the women's locker room at 11:30 a.m.

Fall Bowling League Meeting - Aug. 24

The league is open to active duty, selective reservists, DOD civilians, DOD contractors, dependent spouses assigned to a command at NAS Jax and retirees. The meeting will be held at the base gym, in the second floor classroom outside the women's locker room at 11:30 a.m.

Ultimate Frisbee meeting - Aug. 29

The league is open to active duty, selective reservists, DOD civilians, DOD contractors, dependent spouses assigned to a command at NAS Jacksonville and retirees. The games are played Tuesdays and Thursdays in the evenings. The meeting will be held at the base gym, Bldg. 614 in the second floor classroom outside the women's locker room at 11:30 a.m. Commands having a representative attending these meetings receive five captain's cup points. All interested personnel should attend to discuss rules and to get paperwork to join the leagues.

For more information, call Bill Bonser at 542-2930/3239 or e-mail bill.bonser@navy.mil.

STANDINGS

Summer Golf Final

Teams	Wins	Losses
GEMD	8	1
NMCLant Chicken Nuggets		
	6	3
HSM-70 Team 1	6	3
NCTL	5	4
VP-62 Tweet Tweet	4	5
CNATTU	3	6
HSM-70 Team 2	3	6
FACSFAC	2	7
VP-8	2	7
TPU/PCF	0	9

Badminton Singles

As of Aug. 17

Player	Wins	Losses
VAZQUEZ	8	0
GRIMES	5	1
GARSKE	6	2
BROWN	5	2
TENCHAVEZ	5	2
BONSER	4	3
GOSWAMI	4	4
YUNOS	4	4
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Community Recreation

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80s Murder Mystery Dinner
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Touch a Truck & Car Show
 Sept. 8, 9 a.m. – Noon at Dewey's
 Bring the family out to the Dewey's parking lot. Kids can sit in, climb on and take photos with vehicles including Big Rigs, Fire & Rescue Trucks and more for free! There will be free coffee and donuts, family activities and a Top 3 People's Choice Awards Ceremony. Show off your unique personal or command vehicles! Register for free by Thursday, Sept. 6.
Paint Night
 Sept. 18, 7 – 9 p.m. at Dewey's
 Open to ages 18 and older. The cost is \$25 per person, covering all supplies and one soda, beer or wine per person. Spots limited! Purchase tickets online or from Community Recreation in Bldg. 622 today. Food & beverages available for purchase. No outside food or beverage.

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 Swim lessons now available! Call the Base Gym for more information.
Indoor Pool and Outdoor Pool
 Visit www.navymwrjacksonville.com for the current hours of operation.
 Group and private tennis lessons are now available. Call the base gym for pricing information.
 Patrons can select from a variety of massage types, including Swiss, Deep Tissue/Sport, as well as other spa services, such as facial & body treatments. For a complete list of services, visit the base gym or fitness center.

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The Liberty Recreation Center

Trips & events are for all E1-E6 single or unaccompanied active duty members & reservists only. Call 542-1335 for information.
 Aug. 24: Autobahn Indoor Speedway - \$15
 Aug. 25: Jags vs. Falcons - Free
 Aug. 26: St. John's Town Center Shopping Trip - Free
 Aug. 29: USO No Dough Dinner - Free

NAS Jax Golf Club

Golf Course: 542-3249
Mulligan's Restaurant: 542-2936
 Early Birdies Special
 The Golf Course & Mulligan's will open at 6:15 am! Beat the summer heat & sign up for a tee time as early as 6:30 am. Schedule yours today!
Appreciation Days
 Aug. 16 & 30 for all Military members & DoD employees. Play 18-holes with cart for \$20.
Swing It & Wing It Special: Play 18 holes with a cart and enjoy 10 wings and two draft beverages for only \$30 after 1 p.m. daily.
Daily Twilight Special: Play 18-holes with cart for only \$20 after 3 p.m. Monday - Friday.
Monday & Tuesday: Play 18-holes for \$20. Cart & green fees included. Not applicable on holidays.

Mulberry Cove Marina

Call 542-3260
Riverfest 2018
 Sept. 22, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
 Enjoy a fun day on the shore or out on the St. Johns River. There will be stand up paddle board lessons, free kayak and canoe rental, food, music, prizes, face painting, antique wooden boats (display and rides), free boat inspections, kids casting clinic and competition, lawn games, volleyball, inflatables and much more!
Supervised Sailing Lessons
 A group refresher course for customers who have either recently passed the Skipper B class, or those who have not sailed in a long time. 4-hour sessions available Saturday morning, & Sunday & Thursday afternoons. \$35/session by appointment only.
Private Sailing Lessons
 One on one instruction available at \$20/hour & \$13/hour sailboat rental by appointment only. Minimum 2-hour session.
Sail Classes
 Classes will take two full weekends. Open to military, dependents & DoD civilians. \$150 per student includes on-the-water training, use of Marina sailboats & safety gear, instructional books, log books & certification cards. Class size is limited, so sign up now!
Free Kayak & Canoe Rental
 Every Thursday for active duty and their guests only

Auto Skills Center

Call 542-3681
 The center has 22 work bays, wheel balancing, tool checkout, paint booth and welding
 ASE certified mechanic onsite.

Youth Activities Center

Call 778-9772
Before & After School Care
 Open to children 5-12 years
 Register today!

Family Fitness Center

Call 771-8469
 The Family Fitness Center is open Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Bring your children! Children 5 and older are welcome to workout with you. Group classes are available from 10–11 a.m.

Jax Navy Flying Club

Call 542-8509
 Learn to fly at NAS Jax
 Call for introduction flight
 Additional ratings are available including instrument, complex and commercial
 Find more info online at jaxnfc.net

Community Recreation Tickets & Travel Office

Call 542-3318, Email directly at nasjaxtickets@navy.mil
Universal Halloween Horror Night Vendor Day
 Friday, Sept. 28, 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.
 Come visit the office for the annual Universal Halloween Horror Night Vendor Day. A Universal Orlando Representative will be available to answer questions concerning Universal. Enter to win Universal Orlando tickets!
Jacksonville Jaguars (Sold out of Steelers and Patriots tickets)
Monster Jam Triple Threat
Veteran's memorial Arena: Sept. 1 at 1 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.
 \$45 Club seating.
 \$25-\$35 seating.
Universal Halloween Horror Nights Sept. 16 – Nov. 2
Prices vary depending on dates
 \$54.75 - \$93.
Throwback Fest – Morocco Shrine Grounds
 Sept. 22: General Admission - \$25. Preferred \$50. VIP

\$70.
Martin Lawrence – Veteran's memorial Arena
 Oct. 5: \$81.50.
Comedy Club of Jax (11000 Beach Blvd.)
Open Mic Night every first Thursday: \$8.
Labor Day Weekend Lip Sync Savannah vs. Jacksonville
 Edition: Sept. 2, \$18 & VIP, \$25.
FSCJ Broadway Series Shows – Prices vary on seating and dates
 The King and I: Nov. 16 & 17.
 Mannheim Steamroller: Nov. 20.
 Celtic Thunder: Dec. 20.
 Christmas Carol: Dec. 21.
 Rock of Ages: Jan. 10.
 Swan Lake: Jan. 12.
 POSCA Opera: Jan. 18.
 Mutts Gone Nuts: Jan. 19.
 Les Miserables: Jan. 26.
 Stomp: Feb. 15.
 Rain (Beatles): March 9.
 Waitress: March 16.
 Jersey Boys: March 25.
 School of Rock: April 19 & 20.
 Kinky Boots: May 15.
Thrasher Home Broadway Series
 The Ugly Duckling: Sept. 30, \$12.
 Naked Magicians: Oct 14, \$30.
 Diavolo: Nov. 16, \$40.50.
 Yesterday & Today: Feb. 8, \$30.
 Ron White: Nov. 10, Times Union, \$59.
Armed Forces Vacation Club
 Take advantage of these vacations at an affordable price!
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What to do this year? Local Fun Trips!
 Come join us on our scheduled trips. Relax and let us do the driving!
 All trips will leave NAS Jax at 8 a.m. and return at 5 p.m., unless stated otherwise.
34th Annual Mt. Dora Craft Fair: Oct. 27, \$20. Bus departs at 8 a.m., returning at 3 p.m.
Yalaha Country Bakery: Nov. 17.
Current Ticket Promotions Include the Following:
Adventure Landing Dry & Water Park Passes: \$20.50 - \$32.50.
Alhambra Dinner Show: Prices range \$40 - \$50.
Autobahn Indoor Speedway: (28% Savings) \$25 Gift Card - \$20. \$50 Gift Card - \$40.
Biltmore Estates Ashville, NC: Adult - \$51, Youth - \$22.
Captain Jack Sailing: Sunset Sailing - \$50. Moonlight Cruises - \$75.
Catty Shack Ranch Wildlife Sanctuary: \$8.50 - \$13.50.
Chocolate Kingdom (Kissimmee/Orlando, Fla.): Adult \$14, Child \$11.
Daytona Lagoon Water Park or Dry Park, Daytona: \$20.
Disney World Orlando Armed Forces 2018 Salute tickets 4 or 5 day available (6 tickets max): 4-Day ticket with hopper option - \$222; 4-Day Hopper ticket with water park fun & more - \$260.75. 5-Day ticket with hopper option - \$241.50; 5-Day Hopper ticket with water park fun & more - \$280.25. *Tickets valid Jan. 1, 2018 and expire Dec. 19, 2018.*
Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp: Reserved seating - Active duty/Active duty family members/retired & veteran member - \$5. Retired and Veteran family members and DOD - \$8.
Jacksonville Zoo, General admission & admission w/ unlimited train rides: \$12.50 - \$19.50.
MOSH – Museum of Science and History: \$8.
Ninja Warrior Mighty Orion Fitness: 1 Hour Open Gym - \$10. 10 Hour Punch Card - \$89.25.
Paintball Adventures!: Military special includes everything except paint balls - \$15.
Scenic Cruise, St. Augustine: \$5.50 - \$11.75.
SeaWorld, \$49.75 & Aquatica (excluding weekends), \$29.75. Half Price Special through Dec. 21, 2018, 4 per Military ID limit.
Spanish Military Hospital Museum: \$5 - \$7.50.
St. Augustine Alligator Farm Zipline: \$37, Park admission \$9.50 - \$15.
St. Augustine Aquarium: Adult \$7. Child Admission - \$4.50.
Snorkel Adventure (Includes Admission) \$31.
St. Augustine Old Town Trolley: \$7.50 - \$19.50 BOGO.
St. Augustine Oldest Store Museum: \$4 - \$7.
St. Augustine Pirates Museum: \$3 - \$8.
St. Augustine Potters Wax Museum: \$4.75 - \$7.75.
St. Augustine Sight Seeing Train: \$4.50 - \$11.50.
St. John's Riversip Dinner Cruise (Sanford, Fla.): \$48.50 - \$63.75.
Summer Waves Jekyll Island: \$19.
Universal Orlando Military Special: (Tickets not available at the gate. No blackout dates. Maximum of 6 tickets per valid military ID) Ticket Option #1: 2-Park, 4-Day Park to Park Ticket Adult \$179, Child \$174 (*Redeemable through 12/31/18, ticket expires on this date*). Valid 4 days of admission to Universal Studios Florida and Universal's Islands of Adventure.
 Ticket Option #2: 3-Park, 4-Day Park to Park Ticket, Adult \$219, Child \$214 (*Redeemable through 12/31/18, ticket expires on this date*). Valid for 4 days of admission to Universal Studios Florida, Universal's Islands of Adventure and Universal's Volcano Bay Water park. Visit the Ticket Office for further details.
Velocity Air Sports Jacksonville: 1 Hr. (socks included): \$14. 2 Hr (socks included) \$25.
Wild Adventures (Valdosta, Ga.): Gold Pass – \$113.50.
Seasonal – \$92. 1 Day: \$33. 2 Day: \$40 (must be used consecutively).
World Golf Hall of Fame & Museum: \$14.75.

WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY

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Join the Flightline Cafe for an all-hands meal Aug. 23, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. \$5.60*

Menu: Cream of potato soup, Grilled Steak, Fried Chicken Baked Chicken, Grilled Scallops and Shrimp, Rice Pilaf, Mashed potatoes, Corn on the cob, Seasoned Green Beans Dinner rolls, Asst. Desserts

This meal is open to all ID cardholders. Cash is preferred for speed of service.





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