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Students Get a Glimpse of the Future of Aviation



2nd Lt. Philip Becker works the controls on the F-35 Lightning II flight simulator brought to NAS Whiting Field March 9 and 10. The simulator is a roving display taken to Naval Air Stations across the country to educate pilots on the new Joint Strike Fighter. U. S. Navy photo by Jay Cope.

By Jay Cope, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

Training Air Wing FIVE student pilots at Naval Air Station Whiting Field (NASWF) had the opportunity to see

the future of military aviation March 9 and 10 when representatives from Lockheed Martin brought a demonstration of the F-35 Lightning II technology to the base.

The cockpit simulator and future training tools were a big draw for the students and more than 200 of them showed up to test the equipment. With digital multi-color readouts, push screens controls, and computer like operability; the equipment has the feel of a high-tech video game, but is really a giant leap forward in aviation technology.

"It was completely different," said 2nd Lt. Philip Becker an Air Force officer attending primary flight training at NASWF after his turn in the simulator. Just by using the finger and data management scroll controls you can pull up things so quickly. It was awesome. Very intuitive, but a lot more advanced than what we are learning now. I would love to fly one though."

The F-35 Lightning II is a joint service fighter that will have variants used by the Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps. All will have stealth capability along with integrated avionics for true 360-degree situational awareness for the
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Navy Updates Physical Readiness Policy



Personnel Specialist 1st Class Brandon Norman performs push-ups during a Navy Personnel Command mock physical fitness assessment. (U.S. Navy photo by Chief Mass Communication Specialist Maria Yager/Released)

From Navy Personnel Command Public Affairs MILLINGTON, Tenn. (NNS) -- The Navy announced additional changes to the Physical Readiness Program (PRP) March 11, which remains focused on performance and enhances the culture of fitness for Sailors.

"These changes underscore the importance of all our Sailors remaining fit and able to meet the demands of Navy service. I see this as an opportunity for us to build upon the finest Navy in the world by creating a Navy that is better, stronger and more capable," said Vice Adm. Mark Ferguson, chief of naval personnel.

According to NAVADMIN 073/09, effective immediately, active-duty Sailors with three or more physical fitness assessment (PFA) failures in the last four years may not transfer, reenlist or extend without a waiver from Navy Personnel Command.

Effective Oct. 1, Physical Readiness Information Management System (PRIMS) data will be reviewed as part of the advancement and promotion process. According to the current policy, Sailors who failed their most recent PFA

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Pilot For A Day



Mason Eads had an opportunity to see what it's like to be "Pilot For a Day" with Training Squadron SIX (VT-6) "Shooters" at NAS Whiting Field, March 3. "Pilot For a Day" is a program for children who struggle with medical problems to see first hand what it takes to fly for the Navy.

The Beulah Elementary student got a chance to taxi around the runway in a T-34, earning his wings and a certificate designating him an honorary pilot. He also toured various locations on Whiting Field. He was checked-out on a helicopter flight simulator, night vision goggles, and a ride in one of Whiting Field's fire engines. Photo by YN1 Naomi Black.

From the Archive:



Jay Cope
Whiting Tower Editor

“Honor to the Soldier, and Sailor everywhere, who bravely bears his country’s cause.” - Abraham Lincoln.

American service persons are taught to salute from their very first days in training. (Remember right upper arm parallel to the deck, elbow 45 degree angle, thumb and forefinger straight and joined, palm down and fingers to the right corner of the eye and touching or just below the headgear) I certainly remember it being drilled into me. Whether it is showing respect for ranks obtained or achievements earned, honor is at the heart of why we salute.

We all know that Soldiers, Sailors, Marines and Airmen salute when they meet an officer of higher rank and the salute is returned as a similar gesture of respect. We also know that we are supposed to salute the flag during colors, salute when we cross the brow of the ship (both to the flag and the Officer of the Deck), and when we make an official report. However, it can be more obscure that we salute when the Pledge of Allegiance is recited outdoors, when meeting officers of friendly foreign countries or Medal of Honor recipients, and that it is permissible to salute when it would otherwise cause embarrassment.

It is also interesting to note that the salute varies between the services. Sailors do not salute indoors or while seated. Both are acceptable in the Army and Air Force, and Navy personnel should return such salutes after coming to attention

There isn’t any true understanding of the evolution of the salute. We know that American forces developed the salute thanks to our British heritage. It was a custom that was carried over from their military forces (although the open handed salute of the British Army is not part of our practice). Queen Victoria dictated the salute as the form of respectful salutation, supposedly due to her anger at officers being uncovered when being honored - tipping the hat, uncovering in front of a superior and saluting were all acceptable signs of respect until that time.

Where the British salute evolved from is murkier. Current wisdom indicates that it is derived from the chivalric practice of junior knights raising their visors to more senior knights as a way of showing that they are unarmed. The senior knight would presumably then raise his own. There are also thoughts that the even more ancient Roman practice of approaching a public official with your right hand open and raised to show that you were not armed (perhaps a precursor to a modern hello or goodbye wave) originated the salute. The practice was due to an inordinate amount of assassinations during the time.

Regardless of the true origins, the salute is a time-honored custom of greeting. It means, essentially, “I greet you.” And yet, due to the shared experiences, trials and traditions of the Navy, Marine Corps, Army and Air Force it carries a much greater weight. It is unique to those of us who have served our country and a mark of respect for our sacrifices and patriotism. A salute should never be a burden, but a celebration of who we are and the honor that we carry for our country every day.

(Information for this article was obtained from Naval Ceremonies, Customs and Traditions, 5th Ed., by William Mack and Royal Connell and Service Etiquette, 4th Ed., by Oretta Swartz)

PFA Changes

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cannot be advanced or promoted until they are within PFA standards. This has been enforced at the command level, but the new change will allow equal enforcement across the fleet.

“Overall fitness levels Navywide have improved with nearly 96 percent of Sailors passing the Fall 2008 PFA, according to the NAVADMIN, said Ferguson.

Command justification is required in PRIMS for Sailors who do not complete a PFA. All Sailors must meet body fat standards in order to pass semi-annual requirements. Sailors who cannot complete physical portions of the PFA due to medical waivers must still pass a body composition assessment unless (BCA) is medically waived. Additionally, no progress waivers may be granted after June 30, 2009.

The message now designates dates, defined as “cycles,” in which commands must conduct the semi-annual PFA. Cycle 1 is Jan. 1 through June 30. Cycle 2 is July 1 through Dec. 31.

“Command leadership has a responsibility to ensure records are properly updated and reflect Sailors’ PFA performance. The PRP is another performance-based measure to ensure we’re retaining our top Sailors,” said Rear Adm. Dan Holloway, director, Military Personnel, Plans and Policy Division.

FELLOW EMPLOYEES NEED HELP

Ms. Eva Leatherwood, Equal Employment Specialist at CNRSE FDD Pensacola office, has been approved for the Leave Recipient Program. Leatherwood will be required to be out of work until approximately April 6, 2009 and has exhausted all of her leave.

Ms. Erica Milton, Program Analyst of CNRSE Family Readiness Program at NAS Jacksonville, has been approved for the Leave Recipient Program. Ms. Milton will be required to be out of work for approximately six to eight weeks and will exhaust all of her leave very soon.

Anyone wishing to donate annual leave under this program may contact Jim Harbaugh at CNRSE DSN 942-0041, or Commercial (904)542-0041. Thank you for your participation.

The following forms would need to be completed by the donor - OPM 630-A Inside Agency (Anyone employed in Department of Navy) or OPM 630-B Outside Agency (Employed other than Department of Navy).

News and Notes

Advancement Exams - The Navy advancement exams for E4 and E5 candidates will occur on the following schedule: E5 - Mar. 12; and E4 - Mar. 19. The E4 test will be held in the Wings Club Ballroom while the E5 exam is scheduled in Sikes Hall. All participants must have the uniform of the day on with their military ID card. No cell phones or watches are allowed during the test.

Disney for the Troops - Disney parks celebrate the U. S. military with free multi-day admissions to theme parks in 2009. Disney is granting active duty, reserve members on active duty, and military retirees a free five-day hopper pass. This includes members of the U. S. Coast Guard and National Guard. Eligible patrons may also purchase up to five additional five-day (non-hopper) passes for \$99 each. Tickets are valid up through June 12 for the California park and until Dec. 23 for the Florida parks. See www.disney-world.com/military or your ITT office for more information.

Riverwalk Arts Festival - Historic Downtown Milton will host the 21st Annual Riverwalk Arts Festival March 14-15 from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.. The event will feature fine art, folk art, multi-cultural music, and other entertainment. There will also be festival foods and childrens games. The event is sponsored by the Santa Rosa Arts and Culture foundation in partnership with the City of Milton. Call 850-623-8493 or 3117 or see www.sracf.org for details.

March Badness - Tickets are on sale for the fight card featuring Roy Jones, Jr. March 21 at the Pensacola Civic Center. Jones will square off against Light Heavyweight contender Omar Sheika. IBF number 2 Cruiserweight B. J. Flores will be featured on the card along with three Mixed Martial Arts contests. Tickets range from \$28 to \$128 and are available at all Ticketmaster locations and the Pensacola Civic Center Box Office.

Military Discount - Recanati's Italian Restaurant's two locations, on Avalon Highway and Berryhill Road, now offers anyone with a military ID a 10 percent discount on foods purchased. All items delivered to the base will receive the same discount with a \$10 minimum purchase. Call 850-626-2778 for information.

Fishin' With a Mission - The United Way of Santa Rosa County will host their "Fishin' With a Mission" bass tournament and family festival April 11 at Carpenter's Park. Registration begins Feb. 17 at the United Way offices at 6576 Caroline St or 6479 Highway 90 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.



Retaining Our Best and Brightest

ABHC Eric Tomczack presents ABH2 Christian Santana his Honorable Discharge Certificate during his reenlistment ceremony March 9. Santana reenlisted at the Mid-Field Hangar for five more years. U. S. Navy photo by Jay Cope..



Retaining Our Best and Brightest Times Three

ABH1(AW/SW) Alson E.J. Alfred, ABH2 James F. Bowles and ABH2(AW) Dustin R. Shead reenlist together in the Mid-Field Hangar March 10. Lt. j.g. Sirjoo recited the oath and served as the reenlisting officer for the three Sailors. U. S. Navy photo by Jay Cope..

Top prize is anticipated to be \$3,000. Call 623-4507 or check out bassfishing@unitedwaysrc.org. Rusty Whitfield will be the premiere performer for the family day at the park.

Youth Soccer and Baseball - Registrations are being taken at the Naval Air Station Pensacola Youth Center until March 15 from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Bldg 3690 for youth Spring Soccer and Baseball. Cost is \$40 per child which includes shirt, shorts and socks for soccer and shirt, hat and socks for baseball. Soccer will have four divisions for ages 4 to 15 while baseball will have three groups for children between the ages of 4 and 11. For more information call 452-3810 or 452-2417.

On Golden Pond - The play, "On Golden Pond," made famous by the movie with Katherine Hepburn and Henry Fonda, will be presented by the Panhandle Community Theatre March 26, 27 and 28 at the Milton High School auditorium. Cost is \$12 with a portion of the proceeds to be presented to the Pace H. S. and Milton H. S. drama departments. The play is a fun, sentimental look at growing older and the importance of family. Call (850) 450-2566 to make reservations or for more details.

CHS Fun Run - Central High School will host a 5 K Fun Run/Walk Saturday March 21 at the school. Advance registration is available until March 16 for \$20 and early registrants will receive a race T-shirt. Same day registration begins at 6 a.m. for \$25. Call 983-5640 for more information.

Troy University Classes - Troy University will begin teaching Spring semester courses March 16 at Whiting Field including: American National Government, Organizational Behavior, and U. S. History to 1877. Classes will be taught via VTC, however future classes may be taught live if class sizes will support. Troy University requires at least 10 students registered to bring an instructor on-site. The Spring classes will be taught in Bldg. 1471(old Ops bldg) but will move to the new Atrium Bldg once it is complete. If you have never utilized Tuition Assistance (TA), you will need to have a TA brief prior to it being approved. Registration is in progress. Call 981-0333 for more information.

Golf Tournament - Training Air Wing FIVE will hold a golf tournament March 26 to support the Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society fund drive. Forms can be picked up in the TW5 STUCON office. The deadline for registration is March 23.

Upcoming Events

Mar 13, 1300 - HT-18 Winging Ceremony - Base Auditorium

Mar 18, 0730 - Tenant Command Meeting - Bldg 1401

Mar 20, 1400 - VT-3 Change of Command - Atrium

Mar 27, 1300 - HT-28 Winging Ceremony - Base Auditorium

Mar 28, 1000 - NMCRS 5K Run/Walk - NASWF

Mar 31 to Apr 5, All Day - SRC Fair - Fairgrounds

Apr 2 All Day - RADM Alexander (CNRSE) Visit

Apr 9 1300 - HT-28 Winging Ceremony - Base Auditorium

Fleet and Family Support Center Classes

Job Search Strategies - Monday, March 16, from 8:00 – 10:00 am

Are you new to the area and having a hard time finding employment in this tough economy? In this informative class, we will give you several techniques and resources that will help you with your job. Bring a copy of your resume if you would like our Work and Family Life Staff to review it after the class.

Anger Management - Wednesday, March 18, from 1:-00 – 2:00 pm

Is anger affecting your health, your relationships or your work performance? Learn to understand the causes and effects of unhealthy anger and how to express and release that anger in a healthy way! Class will be held at the FFSC conference room. For more information, contact a Work and Family Life Specialist at 623-7177.

Your Insurance Needs - Thursday, March 19, from 1:00 – 3:00 pm

A 60 – 90 minute interactive program suitable for all audiences, designed to develop knowledge and skills that will enable participants to make informed consumer decisions on the basic types of insurance, and to determine their personal need for life insurance. Class will be held in the FFSC conference room. For more information, contact a Work and Family Life Specialist at 623-7177.

Ten Steps to a Federal Job - Monday, March 23, from 8:00 – 10:00 am

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

Consumer Awareness - Tuesday, March 24, from 1:00 – 3:00 pm

According to the U.S. Office of Consumer Affairs, fraud cost consumers over 40 billion dollars every year. We are constantly approached by people trying to take our money. Some offers are truly fraudulent and are illegal, most however, are simply rip-offs and misrepresentations. Don't be a victim! Class will be held in the FFSC conference room. For more information, contact a Work and Family Life Specialist at 623-7177.

Navy Solicits “Spirit of Hope” Award Nominations

From Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs

WASHINGTON (NNS) -- The Navy is looking for an individual or organization that embodies the core values of the men and women of the military: duty, honor, courage, loyalty, commitment, and integrity for nomination for the Spirit of Hope awards.

Since 2005, the Navy has nominated one outstanding individual or support organization that epitomizes the values of the late Bob Hope to receive the distinguished Spirit of Hope Award.

“The individual or organization nominated must have contributed selflessly to the improvement of Sailors’ quality of life for an extended period of time,” said Millie King, program analyst, Personal Readiness and Community Support Branch, Chief of Naval Personnel who is coordinating Navy’s nominations. “Nominations should describe extraordinary achievement

and contributions during 2008.”

Originally commissioned by the USO, the Spirit of Hope Award was inspired by Bob Hope’s dedication to the men and women of the United States Armed Forces. Since 1997, the award has been formally presented by the Wiegand Foundation, Inc. in an annual ceremony held in the Washington area. The Spirit of Hope Award is open to active duty, Reserve, veteran and civilian Navy employees or organizations. Members of the civilian community or nongovernmental organizations supporting the Navy and embodying Navy core values are also eligible.

James H. Gaff, Jr., a World War II Normandy invasion Navy landing craft coxswain, was the Navy’s first nominee and recipient of the award in 2005. Gaff spent a lifetime working with the Navy League in Florida to make it a model organization.

The Navy’s most recent recipient for 2007 was Chief Aviation Support

Equipment Technician Giovanni D. Balinigit nominated by Fleet Readiness Center Southwest. He was recognized for his coordination of numerous volunteer efforts and the countless community service hours he has dedicated throughout his Navy career, significantly contributing to Sailor’s quality of life.

“These individuals followed in the footsteps of Mr. Hope’s service to the spiritual, social, welfare, education, and entertainment needs of our Sailors,” said King.

Nomination packages for the 2008 award must be submitted by commands no later than April 30 to Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Manpower, Personnel, Training and Education) through OPNAV 135D. Detailed information can be found in NAVADMIN 032/09 or visiting www.npc.navy.mil/CommandSupport/CommunitySupportProgramPolicies/the+spirit+of+hope+award.htm.

Students Get Glimpse

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pilots, information collection and communication tools that link with other military and homeland defense units, increased maneuverability, and reduced operation and maintenance costs.

The Navy version will be carrier capable while the Marine Corps version is vertical take-off and landing capable.

Roll out of the fighters will begin in 2010 with operational units being established by 2012 according to Lockheed Martin representatives. That makes it imperative to educate forthcoming pilots on the aircraft.

“The F-35 is not that far away from being operational,” said Rob Rubino, the F-35 Business Development Manager for Lockheed Martin. “These young men and women will be flying soon and we want them to understand the capabilities this aircraft will bring to the fleet.”

Training improvements were highlighted as well. Since simulator and flight time is so expensive, Lockheed Martin devised a laptop computer training tool that simulates the simulator. Using flight and thrust controls identical to those in the aircraft, the laptop will display the same types of touch-screen technology as in the cockpit. This enables the pilots to actively learn the controls in simulated flying situations at a fraction of the cost of simulator time.

While Lockheed Martin admits they aren't showing everything the aircraft can do, the advances are impressive. The digital technology removes most of the switches and dials from the cockpit. The heads-up display is no longer limited to the front of the pilots view, but fed directly to his helmet. Exterior cameras feed visual information to the pilot allowing unobstructed 360-degree views of the surrounding area, and voice activated controls reduce the need for the pilot to pull his hand from the steering and thrust controls.

Weekly Tri-Care Notice

DOD RELEASES REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR THE TRICARE PHARMACY CONTRACT

The Department of Defense is currently requesting proposals for the TRICARE Pharmacy Contract (TPharm). This contract will consolidate the TRICARE Mail Order Pharmacy (TMOP) contract and the TRICARE Retail Pharmacy contract into a single contract.

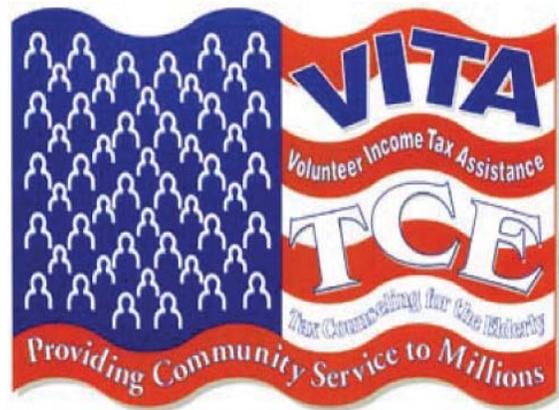
In order to provide a prescription drug benefit that meets patients' needs in an effective, efficient and fiscally responsible manner, the new contract contains provisions to measure and assess beneficiary satisfaction and financial incentives to encourage maximum contractor performance in controlling costs.



Simulator instructor, Rich Royer explains how the touch screen controls work to 2nd Lt. Philip Becker before he starts his run in the F-35 cockpit simulator. U. S. Navy photo by Jay Cope.

Becker admits that flying the simulator was a “lot of fun,” but he was most impressed with the how well the controls allow the pilot to focus on the mission.

“You can designate targets so quickly. The flight controls are very easy to use and they enhance the situational awareness so the pilot can concentrate on more important things.”



NAS WHITING FIELD

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NAS WHITING FIELD TRAFFIC SAFETY TRAINING SCHEDULE

MARCH 2009

- 25 Mar - 0800 – 1600 - American Automobile Association-Driver Improvement Program
- 26 Mar – 0730-1400 - Motorcycle Safety Foundation Experienced Rider Course
- 27 Mar – 0730-1600 - Motorcycle Safety Foundation Military Sport Bike Course
- 28 & 29 Mar – 0730-1600 - Motorcycle Safety Foundation Basic Rider Course

CLASS INFORMATION

Military Sport Bike Rider Course (MSRC) is mandatory for all active duty personnel who ride on or off base and all DoD civilians who ride sports bikes on base. The MSRC also meets the requirement for the three year re-qualification to receive a decal for base access. To qualify for the MSRC you must have completed an approved Motorcycle Safety Foundation approved Basic Rider Course or Experienced Rider Course.

The Basic Rider Course (BRC) is a 15 hour course designed for beginners or personnel who have not rode in a long period of time. It also meets the State of Florida requirement for a motorcycle endorsement on your license. The BRC is mandatory for active duty personnel who ride on and off base and all DoD civilians who ride on base.

The Experienced Rider Course (ERC) is a one day course and is designed for refresher training. The course meets the requirement for the three year requirement, except for personnel who ride sports bikes. Sports bike riders must complete the MSRC every three years.

American Automobile Association – Driver Improvement Program -This course is required for all Military and DOD civilians who operate government vehicles as part of their duties except emergency vehicle operators. DOD dependents and retired personnel may also attend on a space available basis. It is also mandatory for anyone involved in a at fault vehicle mishap with a government vehicle. The course is taught by a certified AAA-Driver Improvement instructor and is approximately 6 to 8 hours in length. Personnel who complete the course will receive a certificate of completion which can be used to receive discounts on their insurance premiums, depending on their insurance company. It also meets the Navy requirement for Driver Improvement training for persons age 26 and under. Enroll at www.navymotorcyclerrider.com or contact Michael McMillan at (850) 452-3674.

Sesame TV Special Spotlights Military Struggles

On April 1, 2009, “Coming Home: Military Families Cope with Change” will air nationwide on PBS at 8 pm. This primetime special, presented by Sesame Workshop and featuring Queen Latifah and John Mayer, tells the stories of service members returning home with injuries-both visible and invisible-and explores the heroic struggles their families face on the path to finding a “new normal.” With help from Elmo, Rosita and their Sesame Street friends,

“Coming Home” gives voice to the children as they play a central role in the family’s adjustment process, and encourages them to be what they are: kids. Additionally, the program features coping strategies and powerful real stories aimed to help these families and others find ways to be there for each other.

“Coming Home” is part of Sesame Workshop’s military families initiative, Talk, Listen, Connect, which provides valuable resources to children and families facing deployments, multiple deployments, and changes due to combat-related injury. The television special seeks to bring awareness of the challenges faced by injured soldiers and their families to the public through national broadcast, and also encourage people to support service members in their communities. Check out “Coming Home” on April 1st, 2009 on PBS at 8 p.m. Eastern and Pacific, 7 p.m. Central and Mountain Time (check your local listings).

Note: This family television special is about coping with combat-related injuries, focusing on the courage of service members and their families. This is a sensitive topic that is often hard to talk about. It is highly recommended that children watch “Coming Home” with a parent or caregiver who can answer any questions children may have.

VT-3 Sponsors Fun Run for NMCRS

Training Squadron THREE (VT-3) will hold a 5K run/walk Saturday, March 28 at 10 a.m. to benefit the Navy & Marine Corps Relief Society fund drive.

Check-in for the event will start at 8:15 a.m. at the soccer complex onboard Naval Air Station Whiting Field. The event is open to all persons who have authorized Whiting Field base access. Entry fee is \$15.00 minimum donation per person. Prizes will be awarded. Water bottles and t-shirts will be provided to the first 200 participants.

Transportation can be arranged for those traveling from NAS Pensacola/Corry Station to NAS Whiting Field.

This will be a family event with a hamburgers/hot dog cookout immediately following the race/walk. Air jumpers will be set up for the kids to enjoy.

Contact Krystal Herrera, via email at krystal.herrera@nmcrs.org, or by phone 850-452-2300.

FFSC Holds Naming Contest

The Naval Air Station Whiting Field’s Fleet and Family Support Center is looking for a few good names. The center would like to rename their newsletter and they are asking your help.

Submit your idea along with your contact information to the FFSC in person; e-mail to shelley.lutz.ctr@navy.mil; or enter by Phone at (850) 623-7177 by March 16, 2009. The winner will be announced March 20.

The winning submission will receive: dinner for two (\$40 voucher) at Texas Roadhouse or Chili’s (winner’s choice); plus: one free round of golf and golf cart; three free games of bowling and one pair rental shoes; one free lunch at Wings Club; and one free day of pontoon boat rental courtesy of NASWF MWR facilities.

Congrats to TAW-5 Wingers and Scholars



Front Row: Cmdr. Mark Murray, USN; 1st Lt. Andrea Neagle, USMC; 1st Lt. Tina Terry, USMC; 1st Lt. Camille Lampert, USMC; Lt. j.g. Leonel Robles, Jr., USCG; Lt. j.g. Barbara Pippi, IT NAV; Ens. Jenna Corter, USN; Lt. j.g. Marco Epifanio, IT NAV; Lt. William Dennis, USN; Capt. Richard Catone, USN (Ret.) Second Row: Cmdr. Christopher Heaney, USN; Ens. Matthew Cousins, USN; Lt. j.g. Richard Hill, III, USN; 1st Lt. Elizabeth Laquidara, USMC; 1st Lt. Phillip Wiktor, USMC; 1st Lt. Evan Osborn, USMC; Lt. j.g. Bret Nichols, USCG; Ens. Brendan Rok, USN; Lt. j.g. Timothy Nicholas, USN; Ens. Matthew Williamson, USM; Col. Scott Walsh, USMC. Third Row: Lt. Col. C. A. Stackhouse, USMC; Ens. Timothy Washburn, USN; 1st Lt. Owen Sisbarro, USMC; 1st Lt. Christopher Faires, USMC; Lt. j.g. Padraic Doran, USN; 1st Lt. Cliff Campbell, USMC; 1st Lt. Celidon Pitt, USMC; 1st Lt. Sean Hanson, USMC. Photo courtesy of Training Air Wing FIVE.



Above Left: Lt. j.g. David Farrell, USN receives his commendation for Outstanding Academic Achievement for his scholastic success during Advanced Helicopter Flight Training. Col. Scott Walsh, Commander Training Air Wing FIVE presented the award as he did to Ens. Samuel Clement, USN and Ens. Aaron Szechtman, USN (Below). Ens. Marco Mion of the Italian Navy (Above Right) is awarded the commendation for his efforts during Primary Flight Training. Photos courtesy of Training Air Wing FIVE.

