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NNOA JACKSONVILLE CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

It's a pleasure serving as President of the Jacksonville Chapter. I thank each member for their dedication and commitment to organizational growth and community outreach.

Our Fourth Annual Golf Scholarship Tournament was a huge success thanks to the professional attitude of a dedicated Golf Committee. Their actions were well planned, organized and smoothly executed to maximize sponsorship and donations, which exceeded prior year's goal. The benefactors were 13 deserving students who received scholarships ranging form \$750 to \$1000 to pursue their higher education. Thanks to the Scholarship Committee for their coordination, expert planning, and tireless efforts for raising the standards for our annual banquet. All banquet attendees were thoroughly impressed.

We must always remember to invest in our youth for they are our future. Again, thanks for your dedicated and tireless efforts in making my past year a tremendous success. Bravo Zulu Jacksonville Chapter!!!

Sincerely,

Paul Nix

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4th Annual Charity Scholarship Golf Tournament

Pictured from left to right: CWO Lionel Jeffcoat, President, NNOA Jax Chapter, Tournament winners: Andre Tanksley, William Lee, Dylan Rudolpher and Paul Eldridge & CDR Daryl Pierce, Co-Chairman.

On Friday, 22 March 2013, NNOA Jacksonville, FL Chapter hosted their 4th Annual Charity Scholarship Golf Tournament at the South Hampton Golf Club, for the second consecutive year. Over the past four years, the tournament has grown from 26 players to 113 players with over 50 sponsors. Both experienced and inexperienced golfers signed on to support this annual event to raise scholarship funds for deserving high school seniors in the Jacksonville and Kings Bay areas.

NNOA's National President, Colonel Robert Clements participated in the tournament and was very impressed with the turnout. According to Colonel Clemens, "Jacksonville Chapter has set the standard for how things should be done. I am overwhelmed by the level of commitment and involvement." An event such as this requires a great deal of commitment to plan and organize. Thanks to the expert leadership of Cmdr. Daryl Pierce, Commanding Officer, CNATTU Jacksonville and Lt. Duane Gowins, Executive Officer, Transient Personnel Unit/Pre-Trail Confinement Facility, this year's golf tournament committee co-chairmen; their hard work received high praise from all attendees. Unfortunately, no one won the \$10,000 hole-in-one prize although several participants walked away with numerous raffle and silent auction prizes.

NNOA Jax Bowling Social

Attached are photos from recent bowling social hosted by RADM Harris on 17 October 2013. Not pictured is CAPT Cureton who was a member of the winning team.





NNOA Jacksonville hosts Annual Scholarship Banquet

The National Naval Officers Association (NNOA) Jacksonville Chapter hosted their Fourth Annual Scholarship Banquet at the Orange Park Courtyard Marriot on May 17, 2013. NNOA Jacksonville Chapter delivered scholarship checks in amounts of \$750 and \$1000, totaling \$13,000 to 15 area graduating high school students from Clay, Duval, St. Johns, and Camden County, Georgia.

This event represented a sincere effort on the part of the NNOA organization to positively impact our community and to represent the sea services. Without the support of our community, partners, donors, and members, NNOA JAX would not have been able to provide \$30,000 in scholarships over the past three years to deserving high school seniors throughout the Southeast region.

There were 64 attendees in attendance at the event with Dr. Richard Danford, CEO of the Jacksonville Urban League, serving as the keynote speaker. RDML Sinclair Harris, USN, Commander 4th Fleet/U.S. Navy Forces Southern Command was NNOA's special guest, who delivered his personal command coin to each scholarship recipient.

An event such as this requires a great deal of commitment to plan and organize. A special thanks to the expert leadership of LCDR Brian Martin, MSC, USNR and LT Harold Jones, USN(Ret), both members of the Bureau of Navy Medicine, this year's scholarship committee chair and cochair; received high praise from all in attendance for their hard work. A special thanks also goes out to scholarship committee: RDML Gene Kendal, USN(Ret); LCDR Herlena Washington, MSC, USN(Ret); and CWO4 Herman McCrary, USN(Ret).

Community outreach at St. Francis Soup Kitchen





NNOA HOLDS SOCIAL EVENT



PICTURED: RADM Harris, fourth from right and NNOA Jax members

RADM Harris, Commander Fourth Fleet/Commander, U.S. Navy South recently hosted a very informative social for National Navy Officers Association members (past, present and future). The event took place at Ocean Breeze Officers Club onboard Naval Station Mayport, 27 March 2012.

RADM Harris is a current lifetime member and strong supporter and of NNOA. He firmly believes in NNOA's mission and its community impact. The evening consisted of great food, fellowship, a very informative commander's brief, and Q & A session. All attendees had a great time and appreciated RADM Harris taking time from his busy schedule to host a highly successful professional development opportunity.



CHAPTER'S HAIL AND FAREWELL MOJO'S BBQ

JAX Chapter Member Receives Governor's Letter for

Outstanding Community Service



RICK SCOTT GOVERNOR

July 17, 2013

Ms. Herlena Washington Department of Juvenile Justice 7500 Ricker Road Jacksonville, Florida 32244

Dear Ms. Washington:

As Governor, I want to thank you for all you are doing to help make Florida the greatest place for families to live, work, and play and for private-sector jobs to grow. I would like thank you for your efforts to organize and assist in the scholarship fund and banquet of the Duval House New Beginning Scholarship. I would like to commend you for your involvement in helping graduating seniors who have excelled in their education receive scholarships.

I am pleased to report that Florida families are getting back to work, and our state's economy is growing. Our unemployment rate continues to decline, and we recently learned that Florida's rate is once again below the national average and at its lowest point in almost five years. To keep our state moving in the right direction, my top priority is making sure Florida families can pursue their dreams by getting a great job and having access to a quality education. We know our work is not done until every Floridian who wants a job gets one, and our efforts to cut taxes, reduce state debt, and strengthen our economy are giving Florida families the opportunity to live their version of the American dream.

Thank you again for all you are doing in your community. You have my best wishes for your continued success.

Sincerely,

Rick Scott

Governor

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Congratulations to Herlena Washington!

NNOA JAX CHAPTER Events Calendar

October

- Solicit chapter members for non-perishable food for Thanksgiving/Christmas Food Baskets
- 3^{rd,} @ 1730, Duval Academy Mentoring
- 17th Group Bowling / Bowl-a-Thon
- 24th Monthly Meeting

November

- Solicit chapter members for non-perishable food for Thanksgiving/Christmas Food Baskets
- 1 Nov, 1300 CDR Felder Retirement Ceremony, NAS Jax Chapel
- 7 Nov @ 1730, Duval Academy (Assist with making/preparing Thanksgiving Food Baskets)
- Solicit names for Toys For Tots (Disadvantages kids from Brentwood Elementary, St Clair Evans Elementary and local community.
- 18 Nov, submit names to Toy For Tots
- Send sponsor letters and start contacting vendors for the Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament
- Distribute Scholarship Applications to local schools
- Send email to golf players from sign-up sheet from the last Annual Gold Tournament
- (TBD) /21 Nov Monthly Meeting
- Church Visit (TBD)

December

- 1st Week, pick up toys from Toys For Tots
- 5 Dec, Duval Academy (Assist with making/preparing Christmas Food Baskets)
- Distribute toys to Brentwood Elementary, St Clair Evans Elementary and local community before the school Christmas break
- 12 Dec, CDR Pierce Retirement / CNATTU Jax COC
- **TBD** Monthly Meeting