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I pray everyone had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. The New Year brings a refreshing tone that prompts all types of resolutions. Well, my resolution for the chapter is for us to continue to move in a positive direction incorporating the below goals:

- a. Increase membership and scholarship by 20% and 30% respectively
- b. Continue and increase meaningful strategic relationships with community organizations and business partners
- c. Enjoy the moment as we improve the communities we represent

We have an array of events planned each month, which I hope to see more member participation. The mentoring at Duval House and NJROTC Inspection at Ed White High School demonstrated the need for us to be more active in the community. **The young men and women need to see real positive role models in their lives.** Let's not forget our biggest event that provides educational funds to local high school graduates, "The Fourth Annual Golf Scholarship Tournament." We need all hands on deck to get enough players and sponsors to make this event as successful as prior events.

Thanks in advance for your participation and support of the NNOA Jacksonville Chapter.

Sincerely,

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**NNOA JAX CHAPTER FOURTH
ANNUAL CHARITY SCHOLARSHIP
GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Friday, March 22, 2013

0900 Shotgun Start

0730-0900 Check-in



Each year the National Naval Officers Association provides college scholarships to high school graduates in the local area. This past school year, the Jacksonville Chapter, NNOA awarded 10 scholarships to area high school graduates. For the 2013 school year, we hope to increase the number of scholarship recipients. You could be of great assistance in helping us to achieve our Chapter goals.

The 4th Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament, Friday, March 22, 2013 at the South Hampton Golf Club, 315 South Hampton Club Way, St. Augustine, Florida 32092.

All proceeds from the tournament will be used to provide college scholarships to high school seniors in the Jacksonville area.

Deadline to sign up: March 15, 2013

- Captain's Choice format
- \$75 per player
- Play one of the best courses
- Food
- Silent Auction
- Great array of Prizes
 - 1st, 2nd, 3rd Place
 - Door Prizes
 - Hole-in-One
 - Longest Drive
 - Closest to the Pin

Donations and event day volunteers are still needed to make this huge event a success. Please contact LT Duane Gowins for more information, 904-542-0154 or duane.gowins@navy.mil

Lending a Helping Hand



Pictured above: NNOA JAX members at DJRF

For the past 12 years NNOA has mentored young men at the Duval Juvenile Residential Facility. They provide monthly mentoring with structured fun and games. The young men also enjoy an annual trip to EverBank Field to watch the Jaguars. This past football season, NNOA and DJRF faculty members chaperoned the boys to a season matchup between Jaguars and Chicago Bears. Although the Jaguars loss, 41 to 3 was disappointing, the young men had a blast.

The facility is a structured moderate-risk residential treatment program for males ages 14-18 and their average length of stay is 6 months. During their stay the youth receive group and individual mental health, and substance abuse intervention/counseling. Educational/Vocational services are provided by Duval County Schools. Youth are able to obtain employment skills and participate in a wide variety of facility and community activities that focus on restorative justice and community services.

During the months of October through December, NNOA facilitated a community service outreach with the young men. A variety of non-perishable food items were donated for the event. The young men along side NNOA decorated 35 boxes and filled them with donated holiday meal goodies. The outreach helped 20 families at Thanksgiving and 15 families at Christmas. The outreach proved extremely positive for both the young men of DJRF and local families.

NNOA CONDUCTS SEMI-ANNUAL NJROTC INSPECTION

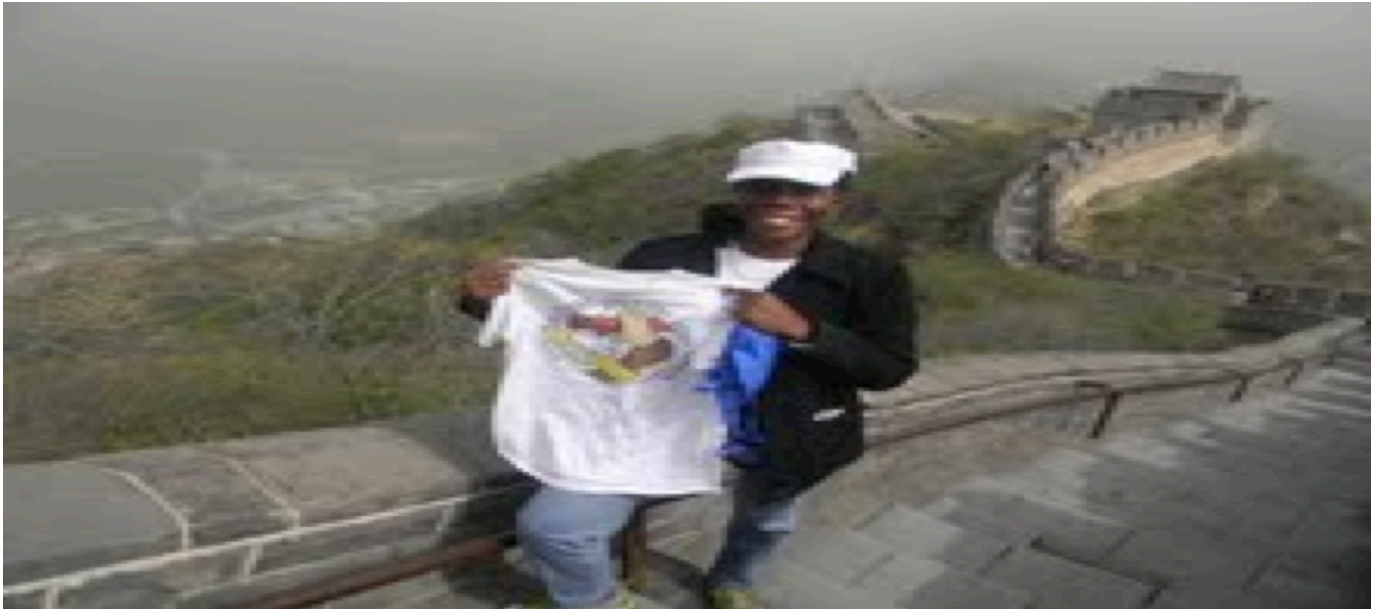


On Friday, 8 February 2013, National Naval Officers Association, Jacksonville, FL Chapter members CDR Daryl Pierce (Immediate Past President), CWO Lionel Jeffcoat (Chapter President), and LCDR (Ret) Paul Nix (Chapter Vice President) assisted by ADCS Jackson, AOC Crawford, AD1 Batista, and AD1 Villarreal (all from CNATTU JAX) conducted the Semi-Annual Off-Site NJROTC Inspection for Ed White High School.

LCDR (Ret) John Burton serves as the Senior Naval Science Instructor. Upon our arrival, the Cadet leadership provided a unit brief, followed by the inspection of 142 cadets, a Pass in Review, and the unit conducted a Drill Demonstration. After the ceremonial phase of the inspection, several cadets received personal awards.

NNOA JAX provided a Military Option brief to the unit to conclude the inspection. All participants filled the day with anxious anticipation, excitement, and fun. BRAVO ZULU to all participants.

MEMBER IN THE SPOTLIGHT



Herlena is pictured above with her NNOA tee shirt. She took a recent educational trip to China and is proud to say she climbed the Great Wall of China.

Herlena Washington, LCDR, USN (Ret) keeps the Jacksonville NNOA Chapter busy as the Community Service Chairperson. In August she spearheaded a back to school backpack drive for students at Brentwood Elementary and St Clair Evans Elementary. The drive resulted in over 140 backpacks filled with school supplies. Monthly she can be counted on to coordinate and support volunteer efforts at St Francis Soup Kitchen and Duval Juvenile Residential Facility for youth ages 13-18.

During Thanksgiving and Christmas she coordinated our annual food basket drive. Over 30 baskets were collected and distributed to economically challenged families in the Jacksonville area. In addition, she held a Christmas Toy Drive and collected 100 toys for children at both Brentwood Elementary and St Clair Evans Elementary, and 20 local families.

Herlena, affectionately known, as “The busiest woman in Jacksonville” is a tremendous asset to NNOA Jacksonville Chapter and her ongoing contributions are both admirable and noteworthy. Keep up the great work Herlena!

COMMUNITY OUTREACH AT ST. FRANCIS SOUP KITCHEN



PICTURED ABOVE: NNOA JAX CHAPTER MEMBERS AND FAMILY MEMBERS PROVIDING SERVICE WITH A SMILE DURING FEBRUARY VOLUNTEER EVENT AT LOCAL SOUP KITCHEN.

Pictured second from right is Kim Milligan, wife of LT. Howard Milligan. The Chapter wanted to give Kim a SHOUT-OUT for recently completing her Masters of Arts from Liberty University.

CONGRATULATIONS Kim!!! Thanks for making time to serve along side NNOA JAX Chapter. Your commitment and service is very much appreciated.

A MOMENT IN BLACK HISTORY

Son of Immigrants Rose to the Top of U.S. Military

*By Bethanne Kelly Patrick
Military.com Writer*



JCS Chairman Gen. Colin Powell speaks via satellite to the Pentagon troops in the Middle East.

Powell speaks during a visit to (USAF photo)

Colin Powell was the 10-year-old son of Jamaican immigrants in 1948 when President Harry S. Truman ordered the desegregation of America's armed forces. As the 10-year-old boy would say 50 years later, "This isn't ancient history; this is my generation."

Racism was far from gone by the time Powell became an Army officer. But you wouldn't have been able to tell by Powell's meteoric career. After graduating from City College of New York with an ROTC commission as an Army second lieutenant, Powell became an Airborne Ranger and served two tours in Vietnam. His commands included a battalion, a brigade, and the Army's V Corps, while his awards included two Presidential Medals of Freedom, the Defense Distinguished Service Medal (with three Oak Leaf Clusters), a Purple Heart, and numerous decorations from other countries -- even British knighthood.

From Oct. 1, 1989, to Sept. 30, 1993, the boy from Brooklyn, N.Y., served as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the principal military advisor to presidents George Bush and Bill Clinton. Upon retiring from active duty in 1993, Powell wrote his autobiography, "My American Journey," and began a busy lecture circuit. Powell served on the board of several organizations, including the Board of Trustees of Howard University, the United Negro College Fund, and The Boys & Girls Clubs of America.

Frederick Douglass wrote, "Once you put upon the Black man brass that says 'U.S.' ... make him a soldier of the nation ... then no power on earth could deny him ever the full rights of citizenship." But it wasn't enough for the president to sign an order. The military had to create an atmosphere where, in Douglass' words, you "show that [the Black man] is the equal to any other soldier." It took time, but Colin Powell realized the promise of those words. In a 1996 speech, the former chairman described himself as "a retired soldier, a fellow citizen who has lived the American Dream to the fullest."

In January 2001, when President George W. Bush took office, Colin Powell again took an oath to serve the U.S. government -- this time as the country's first African-American secretary of state.



National Naval Officers Association, Inc. Jacksonville Chapter

OUR MISSION

National Naval Officer Association actively supports the Sea Services in the development of a diverse officer corps through recruitment, retention, and career development. NNOA is essential in maintaining operational readiness by providing professional development, mentoring, and support of cultural awareness. NNOA establishes and maintains a positive image of the Sea Services in communities and educational institutions.

The Jacksonville Chapter of the NNOA, a non-profit organization, will host its 4th Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament, Friday, March 22, 2013 at the South Hampton Golf Club, 315 South Hampton Club Way, St. Augustine, Florida 32092. **All proceeds from the tournament will be used to provide college scholarships to local High School Seniors in the Jacksonville area.**

Levels of Participation:

Admiral's Barge (O7 – O10) \$1,000

4 players at tournament
Signage sponsorship at a tee or green
Recognition at awards presentation
Recognition on website, half-page ad in event program

Captains Ladder (O6) - \$500

4 players at tournament
Signage sponsorship at a tee or green
Recognition in event program, website, and newsletter


Oak Leaf's Club (O4-O5) - \$250

2 players at tournament
Signage sponsorship at a tee or green
Recognition in event program, website, and newsletter

JO Jungle (O1-O3) - \$ 100

Signage sponsorship at a tee or green
Recognition in event program, website, and newsletter

Your support for this worthy cause is greatly appreciated. On behalf of the entire Jacksonville Chapter of the NNOA we want to thank you in advance for your support. We hope to see you there. For additional information please contact Commander Daryl Pierce, (904) 542-3324, Ext 103 or Lieutenant Duane Gowins, (904) 542-0154.

Sincerely,

Lionel Jeffcoat
President, NNOA
Jacksonville Chapter

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NNOA JAX CHAPTER EVENTS CALENDAR

March

- (5th, 12th, 19th Golf Tournament Meetings in CNATTU CO's Office)
- 7th Duval Residential Facility Mentoring
- 14th NH JAX Hospital Wardroom, 5th Annual Officer Symposium, NAS JAX O'Club
- 19th Executive Committee Telecom
- 22nd Fourth Annual Charity Scholarship Golf Tournament
- 27th Monthly Meeting @ NS Mayport hosted by RADM Harris, C4F

April

- 4th Duval Residential Facility Mentoring
- 13th Saint Francis Soup Kitchen
- 17th Scholarship Committee meets
- 18th Executive Committee Telecom
- 24th Urban League Empowerment
- 25th Monthly Meeting
- 27th Urban League Springfield 5K Run/Walk

May

- 2nd Duval Residential Facility Mentoring
- 3rd MECEP Commissioning Ceremony NAS Jax O-Club 1000
- 4th MECEP Graduation Jacksonville University
- 16th Executive Committee Telecom
- 17th Scholarship Banquet (Marriott Courtyard)
- 23rd Monthly Meeting (Chapter Elections)
- 24th Duval Residential Facility Scholarship/Volunteer Banquet
- TBD Church Visit

Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?'

Martin Luther King, Jr.