



NNOA JACKSONVILLE CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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RDML Gene Kendall, USN (Ret)

Greeting from the Jacksonville Chapter. Our chapter has been busy this spring building and maintaining positive relationships within local community. Between March and May 2014, our Chapter has hosted a Scholarship Golf Tournament, Scholarship Banquet, attended church as a group, participated in a High School NJROTC Awards Ceremony, volunteered at a local Soup Kitchen, and performed monthly mentoring at Duval Academy.

Our Fifth Annual Charity Scholarship Golf Tournament was a huge success. Under the expert leadership of CDR (Ret) Daryl Pierce and LCDR (Ret) Anita Pierce, this year's tournament raised over \$13,500 in scholarship funds for local high school graduates. Over 30 local sponsors participated in this year's fundraiser along with 96 golfers that included local leaders, and NNOA's National President, Colonel Robert Clements. Special thanks to our National President Colonial Robert Clements for taking time from his busy schedule to attend our golf tournament. Tournament photos are posted to our NNOA and Facebook Chapter website.

Jacksonville Chapter Scholarship/ Banquet Chairman, LT (Ret) Harold Jones, expertly planned and coordinated a Scholarship Banquet to recognize 18 local scholarship recipients. Sixty-Seven attendees including scholarship recipients, their families, Chapter members, local sponsors, and NNOA Eastern VP LCDR Michelle Layne attended our banquet. The scholarship banquet was a highly successful event that included dinner, a motivational speech by RDML (Ret) Gene Kendall, recognition of scholarship recipients, and photo opportunities. I would like to personally thank LT (Ret) Harold Jones, RDML (Ret) Gene Kendal and LCDR Michelle Layne for their respective support in making this event special. Photos are also posted on our NNOA and Facebook Chapter websites.

Jacksonville Chapter Scholarship Golf Tournament and Scholarship Banquet enabled NNOA Jax Chapter and NNOA to continue its mission of creating, building, and maintaining positive relationships between the Sea Services and the local community. This year's scholarship recipients and their parents are well aware of NNOA's community outreach and are very appreciative of the concern and generosity towards others.

Sincerely,

Paul Nix

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5th Annual Charity Scholarship Golf Tournament



Colonel Clements thanks participants for their support



2014 Tournament Winners!

COMMUNITY OUTREACH AT ST. FRANCIS SOUP KITCHEN

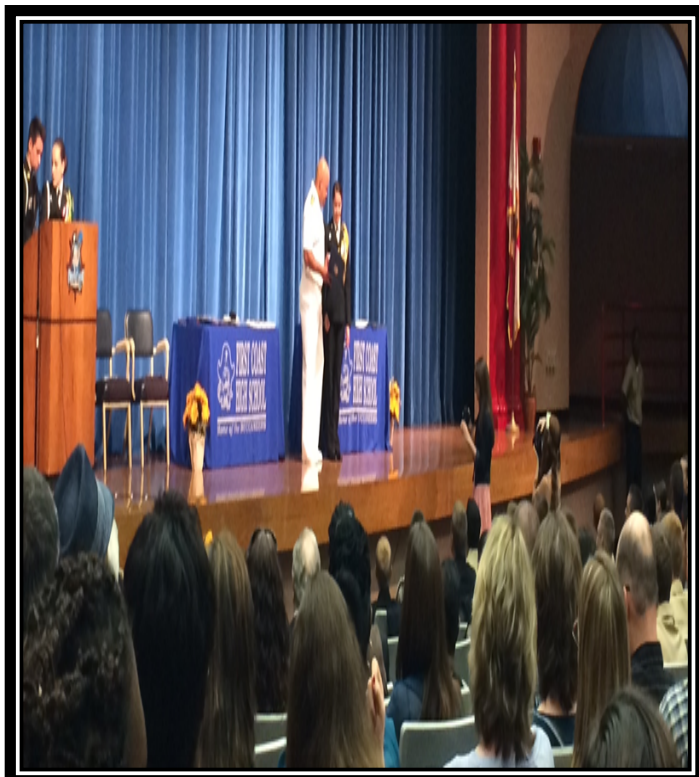


Chapter members consistently volunteer at St Francis Soup Kitchen located in downtown Jacksonville, Florida. Over 14 thousand meals served annually. BRAVO ZULU volunteers!

NNOA Jacksonville Chapter members attends First Coast High School NJROTC Award Ceremony



NNOA Jacksonville Chapter Members Attends First Coast High School NJROTC Awards Ceremony On 25 Apr 14



**QUARTERLY CHURCH VISIT MAYPORT, FL
NEW FRIENDSHIP MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**



Breaking bread after church at Potters House Soul Food Bistro

NNOA Jacksonville Hosts 5th Annual Scholarship Banquet



The National Naval Officers Association (NNOA) Jacksonville Chapter hosted their Fifth Annual Scholarship Banquet at Orange Park Holiday Inn & Suites on May 16, 2014. NNOA Jacksonville Chapter delivered scholarship checks in amounts ranging from \$500, \$750, and \$1000, totaling \$13,500 to 18 area graduating high school students from Baldwin, Clay, Duval, and St. Johns County. Funds for the scholarships were raised during NNOA Jacksonville Scholarship Golf Tournament that was held on March 21, 2014 at South Hampton Golf Course.

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 \$43,500 in scholarships over the past five years to deserving high school seniors throughout the Southeast region. There were 67 attendees at the event, which included chapter members; scholarship recipients and their family members; local sponsor, Prudential Insurance Company of America; and NNOA Eastern Vice President, LCDR Michelle Layne, USN.

An event such as this requires a great deal of commitment to plan and organize. A special thanks to the expert leadership of LT (Ret) Harold Jones, USN, this year's scholarship awards committee chairman. LT Jones received high praise from all attendees for his attention to detail and hard work planning this year's scholarship awards board and banquet. A special thanks also goes out to awards board members: LCDR Brian Martin, MSC, USNR, LCDR (Ret) Anita Pierce, USN, CDR (Ret) Daryl Pierce, USN, and LCDR (Ret) Herlena Washington, MSC, USN. Additionally, thanks to NNOA Jacksonville Chapter members for their dedicated efforts in supporting chapter events.

NNOA Jacksonville Hosts 5th Annual Scholarship Banquet (cont)



Rear Admiral (Ret) Gene Kendall delivered the keynote address titled, Perspective--changes perception (for the better). Rear Admiral Kendall served 35 years in the United States Navy. He commanded three warships, the last being USS Mount Whitney (LCC-20), which as a flagship for U.S. Second Fleet led the operation for the liberation of Haiti. He was a member of the CNO Strategic Studies Group when he was the sixteenth African American in the history of the United States Navy to be promoted to Rear Admiral. Rear Admiral Kendall is an active member of the NNOA Jacksonville Chapter and serves as Chapter Advisor.

NNOA Eastern Vice President,
LCDR Michelle Layne, USN

Congratulates Scholarship
Awardees and Jacksonville Chapter
Members



NNOA JAX CHAPTER EVENTS CALENDAR 2014

June

- 1 Jun, Annual Chapter Report Due
- TBD Saint Francis Soup Kitchen
- TBD Executive Committee Telecon
- **1 Jun – 8 Aug, Back to School Drive/Donations**
- 5th Duval Academy Mentoring
- 26th Monthly Meeting

July

- **Back-to-School Drive/Donations**
- **8th to 10th National Conference, MCAS Quantico VA**
- 25th Monthly Meeting
- 29 Jul – 12 Aug, purchase school supplies/backpacks, fill backpacks **(2013)**

August

- **Back to School Drive/Donation until 8 Aug.**
- XX, 1st day of school (Duval)
- TBD Saint Francis Soup Kitchen
- 8 thru TBD Purchase school supplies/backpacks, fill backpacks
- 7th Duval Residential Facility Mentoring
- TBD Deliver school supplies to schools
- 15th Executive Committee Telecon
- 28th Monthly Meeting

September

- TBD Saint Francis Soup Kitchen
- TBD Get names from schools for Toys for Tots
- 4th Duval Academy Mentoring
- 25th Monthly Meeting (Announce Holiday Food Drive, Toy Drive)

October

- 1 Oct to 14 Nov, Holiday Food Drive for non-perishable food for Thanksgiving/Christmas Food Baskets
- 1 Oct, turn in paperwork to Toys For Tots with names
- TBD Group Bowling / Bowl-a-Thon
- 2nd, 1730, Duval Academy Mentoring
- 23rd Monthly Meeting

***“Education is the key to unlock the golden door of freedom.”
— George Washington Carver***