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## HT-8 Holds Change of Command Ceremony

By: Ensign Jeremy Griffin, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

Helicopter Training Squadron EIGHT (HT-8) welcomed a new commanding officer Thursday, Aug 20 as Cmdr. Robert G. Sinram was relieved by Cmdr. John D. McBryde during a Change-of-Command ceremony in the Naval Air Station Whiting Field Atrium building.

The ceremony is a proud Navy tradition where the current commanding officer officially talks to the squadron one last time followed by the new commanding officer reading his orders assigning him to take the reins of the unit.

During his thirty month tenure at the squadron, HT-8 flew over 30,570 flight hours and 14,609 sorties, resulting in the completion of over 14,036 syllabus events despite resource shortfalls. This dedication enabled HT-8 to wing 254 Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and Allied combat aviation professionals and fill all Fleet Readiness Squadron

seats on time with the highest quality aviators.

Under Sinram's command, Helicopter Training Squadron EIGHT earned a grade of "Outstanding" on the annual Chief of Naval Air Training Flight Instructor Training Standardization inspection and was awarded the Chief of Naval Operation's Aviation Safety Award for 2014, epitomizing Sinram's focus on safety and mission accomplishment.

After the senior officers were welcomed to the stage and the benediction given, the guest speaker, Col. Gary Kling, Commodore Training Air Wing Five, related HT-8's accomplishments while Sinram transitioned from XO to CO.

"Cmdr. Sinram hit the ground running as soon as he became commanding officer, but more importantly, his focus was always on the people who worked for him. They were

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*Cover Photo: Lt. Jerry Maniscalco appears Aug. 12 on Pensacola Expert Panel with Wendi Summers, NewsRadio1620. Maniscalco writes and sings songs about military life and is involved with Operation Encore, a music collaboration to showcase the singer-songwriter talents of our veterans and military members. U.S. Navy photo by Sheri Grabus.*

## Teen Hire Program Provides Valuable Work Experience

By: Ensign Jeremy Griffin, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs

Eleven local teens are working hard and building valuable employment experience at Naval Air Station (NAS) Whiting Field as part of the Teen Hire program.

The initiative was set up by Commander, Navy Installations Command (CINC) to encourage youth development and strengthen the civilian communities' ties to bases in their area as part of their Child and Youth programs. Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (MWR) offices set up and maintain local youth employment programs using grants from CINC. NAS Whiting Field participated in the program for the past six years, hiring an average of seven teens a summer. Due to the size and hours of the base, the program runs typically during the summer to maintain availability.

To be eligible for the program, a teen must have base access to NAS Whiting Field. Those who wished to participate then attend a mandatory hiring fair. At the fair, potential hires receive instruction on filling out resumes, submitting applications, and how to present themselves during a job interview.

They then get to put their new skills to good use. "The teens go through an interview process where they got to interview for all positions that are available. That way, even

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**Brianna Danos**

**Teen Hire in MWR admin office**

## The Whiting Tower

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# Chattanooga Hosts Final Memorial For Fallen

By Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Michael Lieberknecht, Navy Public Affairs Support Element East

**CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (NNS)** -- The Department of the Navy and City of Chattanooga held a ceremony Aug. 15 at the University of Tennessee Chattanooga's, McKenzie Arena in memory of the Sailor and four Marines killed in the Navy Operational Support Center (NOSC) shooting on July 16.

The lives of Gunnery Sgt. Thomas Sullivan, Staff Sgt. David Wyatt, Sgt. Carson Holmquist, Petty Officer 2nd Class Randall Smith, and Lance Cpl. Squire Wells were honored with military traditions.

Marine Corps Band New Orleans and United States Navy Band Sea Chanters provided music as Vice President Joe Biden, Secretary of Defense Ash Carter,

Secretary of the Navy Hon. Ray Mabus, Chief of Naval Operations Adm. John Greenert and Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy Mike Stevens arrived.

Chattanooga Mayor Andrew Berke opened the ceremony by speaking about his community and their appreciation of local service members and the police department.

“I want to say, on the behalf of our entire city, we grieve with you,” said Berke. “God bless these families, our great city and the United States of America.”

Mabus talked about the close relationship between Sailors and Marines.

“We are a family, the Navy and Marine Corps family,” said

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150815-N-VC599-421 CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (Aug. 15, 2015) Vice President Joe Biden delivers remarks during the memorial at McKenzie Arena at the University of Tennessee Chattanooga. The event honored the four Marines and one Sailor who died in the Navy Operational Support Center Chattanooga shooting July 16. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Justin Wolpert/Released)

## *This Day in Naval History*

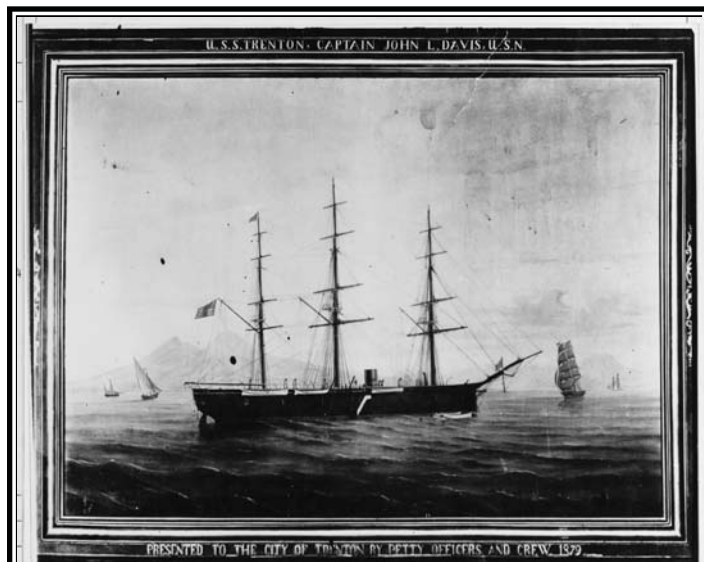
**August 21, 1883** - The installation of the first electric lighting on board a U.S. Navy ship is completed on board USS Trenton.

**August 22, 1942** - USS Blue (DD 387) is torpedoed by Japanese destroyer, Kawakaze, off Guadalcanal. She was scuttled by her crew the following day.

**August 23, 1862** - A boat crew from USS Essex, commanded by Capt. William D. Porter, is fired on by Confederate guerillas at Bayou Sara, La. In return, USS Essex shells the town.

**August 24, 1814** - During the War of 1812, the British invade Md. and burn Washington, D.C. and the Navy Yard.

**August 25, 1943** - Depth charges from USS Patterson (DD 392) sink the Japanese submarine RO-35, 170 miles southeast of San Cristobal Island, Solomon Islands.



### USS Trenton in 1879

Photograph of a painting presented to the City of Trenton, New Jersey, by the ship's petty officers and crew, 1879. It depicts Trenton off Naples, Italy. The original photograph was donated by Rear Admiral Joseph K. Taussig, USN, 1934. U.S. Naval History and Heritage Command Photograph, Catalog #: NH 619

# Commissary Case Lot Sales Offer Maximum Savings

By Mike Perron, DeCA public affairs specialist

**Editor's Note: The NAS Whiting Field case lot sale is scheduled for Sept. 3 - 5**

**FORT LEE, Va.** – With every day prices averaging 30 percent less than other grocery stores, the commissary has earned its reputation as the best deal in town. But every once in a while – around spring and fall, in fact – patrons can find even better deals as stateside commissaries launch their “Customer Appreciation Case Lot Sales.”

This year’s fall sales are starting across the U.S. now, as each store hosts individual two- or three-day case lot sales during one weekend between mid-August and the end of September. Commissaries in Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico are also participating.

“You will find much higher savings at the case lot sales, up to 50 percent on some items,” said Sallie Cauthers, marketing and mass communication specialist at the Defense Commissary Agency headquarters.

Cauthers explained that some of the best values are found in bulk purchases. “If you have a large storage area, you can stock up on bulk supplies of paper products — toilet paper, paper towels and more — and save sometimes double off our regular commissary prices.”

The sales events are not limited to just a few select items. “These sales provide shoppers super deals on bulk items including cereals, breakfast bars, chips, beverages, and paper goods,” she said. “Commissaries also offer great deals on seasonal fresh produce and provide high-value coupons for products inside the store.”

In addition to better pricing, case lot sales are distinguishable from big box club stores by what is called “mix and match” offerings. “If you have a large family, you can’t go wrong with our mix and match section



Patrons at the McGuire Commissary on Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, New Jersey, check out a case lot sale from the fall of 2013. This year’s fall sales are starting across the U.S. now, as each store hosts individual two- or three-day case lot sales during one weekend between mid-August and the end of September. Commissaries in Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico are also participating. (DeCA photo: John Zoubra)

where you can take like items and mix up bulk-size cases,” Cauthers said. “Mix and match offerings include cereals, canned items, beverages and various other grocery items for year-round use.”

Customers have a variety of options to choose from. Sale items include products in the following categories:

- Fruit snacks, pudding snack packs, granola bars, fruit bars, pastries, peanut butter and popcorn
  - Water and flavored water, teas, juices, juice mixes, sodas, sports drinks and breakfast drinks
  - Frozen pizza and sausage links
  - Chilled items to include cheeses, yogurt and yo-
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**Ec-nomics**

### MYTH

Renewable energy is still new and unproven.

### REALITY

Throughout history renewable energy sources, such as sunshine, wind, water, vegetation and the heat of the earth, have been successfully harnessed and used to provide energy. Almost 2,500 years ago, the Greeks designed their homes to use winter sunlight for heating. Large, south-facing windows were used to collect solar heat, which was stored in massive walls and floors for gradual release throughout the night. The wind has also been used as an energy source for centuries. Some of its early uses include propelling ships and pumping water. Today’s technological advancements have developed more efficient means of harnessing and using renewable energy sources, and these sources are gaining increasing popularity.

## Pilot by Day, Singer/Songwriter by Night

*Instructor Pilot at NAS Whiting Field Uses Song to Tell Stories About Military Life*

**By: Sheri Grabus, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs**

It's 3 a.m. onboard a U.S. Navy ship. The lights are dim, and the deck is relatively quiet at the moment. A young Sailor should be in bed but can't sleep. His mind is racing, and he wants to take advantage of the short period of calm before his early morning flight. He looks to the night sky and thinks of his family at home. It's about 9 p.m. their time. If his wife is still sticking to her strict schedule, the kids should be in bed by now.

At the same time, a tired young wife looks up at the night sky and wonders when her husband will be able to call again. Next week is her birthday, and she thinks he will probably try that day. She will keep her cell phone with her at all times to avoid that sinking feeling in her gut when she sees that missed call from an unknown number. It's worth that dollar-a-minute calling card charge just to hear his voice, if only for a few minutes.

Upon hearing this story, many in the general public will immediately focus on the sacrifices of military life. How sad it is that the family is separated and that the Sailor will miss his wife's birthday. What a military member or spouse may take away from this story is the strength of the family bond. This disparity makes it difficult for many military service members to relate their stories in a way that may be comprehensible to the general public.

A Sailor from Helicopter Training Squadron Eighteen at Naval Air Station Whiting Field is trying to cross that gulf in a novel way – through music.

Lt. Jerry Maniscalco spends his days training the best military pilots in the world. During his off-time, he does something quite different: he uses music to share his life experiences.

Most of Maniscalco's songs are spurred by his experiences in the Navy, because that's what he does. He sings about the emo-

tions and thoughts that are inspired by these experiences – not always about the actual event itself. There's a purpose to this: to produce relatable music that can build bridges across audiences of all backgrounds. Maniscalco understands that non-military listeners may not relate to the actual experience, because it is foreign to them. But they can understand the emotions.

According to Maniscalco, everyone draws something different from music. "It may not be what I'm thinking, but that's fine. They relate to it, and that's good," Maniscalco says.

For example, his most recently-released CD, "One," is a collection of Maniscalco's thoughts during his last deployment onboard USS Jason Dunham (DDG-109).

The title song "One" was about a friend of Maniscalco's, who was deployed alongside him. The friend had to leave his family and special-needs daughter to serve his country. His friend's deployment was cut short when, about three months into deployment, the daughter took a turn for the worse. He was returned home to be with his family. The next few months proved very stressful for Maniscalco's friend, but thankfully the daughter improved after a few months.

"I am truly humbled to serve alongside such passionate Americans, who sacrifice so much to preserve our freedom," Maniscalco said.

Other songs on the CD describe everyday life experiences while deployed. "Songs like 'Wasting Time' and 'St. Augustine' just stem from the idea of missing home," Maniscalco said.

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**Jerry Maniscalco performs at Operation Encore release show Nov. 8, 2014 in Phoenix, Ariz. Photo courtesy Operation Encore. Video at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MIjdoeLSF0s>.**

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### Usage Information

#### Total Used

2,366,111 kWh

	1 Year Ago	Last Month	This Month
Total kWh Used	2,287,510	2,170,463	<b>2,366,111</b>
Average Daily kWh	73,791	72,349	76,326
Days In Billing Period	31	30	31

### Energy Conservation

Conserving energy remains an important goal in the operation of Naval Air Station Whiting Field. Steps taken during the past year by Public Works continue to pay dividends in our energy conservation programs. Please help decrease usage even more by remembering to turn off lights, shut down computers and printers, and limit usage of non-essential equipment.

# Chalkboard Minute

## *Back-to-School Tips for Parents*

**By: Chris Hendrix, School Liason Officer**

Whether you are sending your little one off to the start of his or her first year of school or waving good-bye as your teen drives off to high school, there are some things you can do to promote a positive start to the school year. Parents, review the list below to see how you rate on completion of your homework.

1. READ and respond appropriately and promptly to all the forms your child brings home. Each form has a purpose. Some must be filed in your child's permanent record folder; some contain important information for which you and your child will be held accountable.

2. Read the school's student handbook and discuss important academic and disciplinary policies with your child. Review the rules for riding the bus. A little time becoming familiar with the district's expectations may save you a lot of difficulties later.

3. If your last name is different from that of your child, be sure to include your child's name on completed forms, even if there is not a pre-printed place for the name. This will help the teacher to identify whose parent you are. For younger children, it is also a good idea to include the homeroom teacher's name somewhere near the top of each form. Of course, if the teacher or school has established guidelines for this, follow their guidance.

4. Instruct first-time locker users to record their locker combination and keep it in a place they will remember to look. To prevent locker break-ins, store the locker number and combination separately. Many students will forget the number during the first extended break—usually Labor Day weekend. If this happens, your child may not have ready access to books and other materials in the locker, especially if teachers did not record the combinations upon issuance. (The same goes for sports lockers.)

5. Ensure that your child's counselor, teach-

ers, and the school's main office staff have accurate contact information for you and your emergency designee. If phone numbers change, inform the school immediately by contacting those noted above. Do not rely on the child to give a teacher a note with the new information, unless you follow up right away. In the event of an emergency or illness, be sure the school is able to reach you or your designated emergency contact.

6. Know the school's policies regarding cell phones, medication, cameras, backpacks, etc.

7. If your child has a cell phone, check to see if he is texting or using other features of the phone during school hours. Cell phones can be a huge distraction when used inappropriately and can contribute to a decline in academic performance.

8. Inform the school in advance of planned absences. When possible schedule your child's medical and dental appointments after school hours or during scheduled school breaks. Regular attendance is essential to maximum student achievement.

9. Mark your calendar for dates when grade reports will be issued. Usually schools send home a mid-term report and a final grade report for each grading period. Find out if you can access your child's grades online.

10. Initiate positive involvement in your child's school. Attend parent meetings and read school newsletters. Volunteer. Resist the urge to criticize teachers and administrators in your child's presence. How can your child learn from someone they know you do not respect? Think about it.

For any questions, please contact me, the NAS Whiting Field Student Liason Officer, at 850-665-6105 or Christopher.p.hendri@navy.mil.

## Chatanooga

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Mabus. “We work together, serve together, overcome together.”

He repeatedly called the fallen and their former co-workers heroes.

“Heroes are ordinary people facing extraordinary circumstances,” said Mabus. “That commitment is the essence of Marines and Sailors.”

With a solemn look on his face, Vice President Joe Biden walked on stage to address the crowd.

“I’m honored to be here to join my colleagues, but as I told the family members, I wish I didn’t have to be here,” said Biden.

Biden spent time speaking about each of the five NOSC Chattanooga service members and said they were the embodiment of confidence, commitment,

determination, passion and loyalty, adding, they belonged to “the finest generation of warriors the world has ever known.”

He also had a message for the families of the fallen.

“You’re literally an inspiration and America owes you just for being here,” said Biden.

As the ceremony drew to a close, every head in the arena bowed for the benediction and remained silent for the last ‘Roll Call,’ a tribute paid by service members to their fallen comrades. Echo Taps, played by two members of the Marine Corps band, served as a final solemn salute.

“Although we will heal,” said Mabus. “Our Navy and Marine Corps family will never again be completely whole”. ✈

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## Navy Updates SAPR Instruction

By Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs

Washington (NNS) -- Navy’s 21st Century Sailor Office announced Aug. 17 the release of an updated instruction governing the SAPR program.

OPNAVINST 1752.1C is the first update since 2006 and includes comprehensive changes that organize policy into more coherent format, provides updated requirements, and emphasizes the importance of the prevention of sexual assault.

The information aligns with the National Defense Authorization Acts for Fiscal Years 2007 through 2014 requirements and Department of Defense policy and mandates. Additionally, the revision contains updates relating to safety assessment requirements, SAPR training requirements, retaliation initiatives, Reserve Component services, and availability of the Victims’ Legal Counsel program for adult sexual assault victims within Navy.

The document incorporates many of the changes that have already been implemented through the use of NAVADMINs, and as a result cancels ten naval messages dating back to 2009.

It can be read in its entirety at the following link: <http://www.navy.mil/docs/OPNAVINST-1752-1C.pdf>. ✈

## TRICARE NOTES

### STAY ELIGIBLE: KEEP DEERS UP TO DATE!

The Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) is the worldwide database for all service members, their family members and others who are eligible for military benefits—including TRICARE. The Department of Defense (DoD) uses the information stored in your DEERS record to determine your eligibility for TRICARE benefits and programs, including doctors’ appointments, medications and reimbursements.

Remember to check your DEERS information regularly, especially if you have a life-changing event, such as moving, getting married, getting divorced or having a child.

Listed below are several ways to update your family information.

1. Online: To access the Beneficiary Web Enrollment website, visit [www.tricare.mil/bwe](http://www.tricare.mil/bwe).
2. In person: Visit the nearest ID card-issuing facility. For locations, visit [www.dmdc.osd.mil/rsl](http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/rsl).
3. By phone: Call 1-800-538-9552 or 1-866-363-2883 (TTY/TDD) to update your contact information.
4. By fax: Fax contact information updates to 1-831-655-8317.
5. By mail: Mail contact information updates to: Defense Manpower Data Center Support Office, 400 Gigling Road, Seaside, CA 93955-6771

# Around the Base

## Case Lots

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- gurt mix
- Prepackaged meats such as lunchmeat, bacon and pork loin
- Pet supplies to include bagged and canned food, treats and cat litter
- Pasta, barbecue and pasta sauces, spices, rice, oriental noodles and bowls, chili mix and condiments
- Cookies, brownies, pancakes and muffin mixes; oatmeal
- Canned fruit, vegetables, soups, tuna and chili.
- Sandwich, storage and freezer bags; paper products and cleaning supplies such as bathroom tis-



Cases of groceries are lined up in a tent next to the commissary at Fort Lee, Va. Commissary Customer Appreciation Sales allow patrons an opportunity to save up to 50 percent on some club-pack and full-case items. (DeCA photo)

sue, fabric sheets and laundry detergent

- Health and beauty care including diapers, wipes, shampoo and conditioner, soaps, shaving gels and body lotions

Commissaries in Europe and the Pacific, while not officially participating, may have substitute events such as sidewalk sales.

“Our commissaries offer the very best grocery products worldwide in savings and great value to our military and their families,” Cauthers said.

“These twice-a-year sales offer even more value and savings for their hard earned dollar.”

# Parents Night Out!



**Friday 18 Sep 2015 1700-2100**

**FREE childcare**

**(Age 6 weeks to 6th Grade)**

**New Life Baptist Church Milton FL**

**\*Register at the Chaplain's Office 623-7211\***

**\*Please make all allergies known upon registration \***

**\*Preferred snacks may be brought however food will be provided\***



## HT-8

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**Cmdr. Sinram (left), passes the command pennant to symbolically transfer leadership of HT-8 to Cmdr. McBryde during the Aug. 20 Change of Command ceremony. U.S. Navy photo by Ensign Jeremy Griffin.**

always his highest priority.”

Sinram also served as the Naval Helicopter Association President for Region FIVE. In this role, Sinram coordinated annual awards and Professional Military Education events for the Gulf Coast Fleet Fly-in, a week-long series of engagements wherein the squadron hosted 24 Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and civilian aircrews and their aircraft.

Kling handed the podium over to Sinram for his final address to HT-8. Sinram spoke of the importance of what HT-8 does, the high standards they maintain, and how every Aviator who comes through must be ready to sacrifice their time and even wants for the mission.

“If not us, then who?” asked Sinram during his farewell speech. “We are the one percent who is tasked with safeguarding the other ninety-nine percent and we deliver the best Aviators possible to the Fleet.”

A native of Bay Shore, N.Y., he graduated the United States Naval Academy in 1997 and received his wings of gold from HT-18 in 1999. He was assigned to the “Gunbearers” of HC-11 and made several deployments in sup-

port of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He then transitioned to the MH-60S helicopter and became a Fleet Replacement Squadron Instructor at HSC-3.

From 2006-2008, he served aboard the USS Peleliu (LHA-5) and USNS Rainier (T-AOE-7). during Operation Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom. Following those tours, Sinram worked at the National Military Command Center before reporting as the executive officer at HT-8.

Before the traditional passing of the command pennant, Sinram was presented with the Meritorious Service Medal by Kling. The ceremony continued with Sinram first taking the command pennant, and then symbolically passing command of the squadron over to McBryde.

McBryde will be assuming the role of Commanding Officer after 19 years of Naval experience. He graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1996, and earned his wings of gold in 1998. He was a Fleet Replacement Squadron Flight Instructor in Norfolk, Va., and later a Department Head in HM-14. Following his Department Head tour, McBryde served in a Joint Duty assignment with the Joint Staff as the Deputy Branch Chief of Current Interoperability Assessments and then at Naval Support Activity Bahrain as the HSCWL senior rotary wing advisor for fifth Fleet helicopter operations. Prior to being slated to HT-8, McBryde served as the Executive Officer of Airborne Mine Countermeasures Weapon Systems Training School.

At the ceremony, both men praised the efforts of the instructor pilots, civilian staff, and support personnel who enabled HT-8 to accomplish its mission. They each also extended thanks to special guests who formed personal lifetime support networks for them. From old coaches and foster families to parents, wives, and children, both oncoming and off-going commanding officers expressed gratitude to the people who supported them from the beginning of their respective careers.

Before addressing the crowd McBryde stepped down from the stage to the front row so his wife could pin the Command Ashore device on her husband. His children then “tacked on” his new pin, in order to ensure it was on securely.

In the last speech of the ceremony, McBryde’s focus was also on the import of the Naval Aviators that graduate from HT-8. “These Student Naval Aviators here are the real heroes in today’s society. They’ll go on to play integral roles as part of the Navy’s mission.”

Following McBryde’s ascension to commanding officer, Cmdr. Steve A. Audelo will be replacing him as the HT-8 Executive Officer. ✎

## SECURITY CHECKPOINT

### *Approaching Stopped School Buses*



By: Stacy McFadden, NAS Whiting Field Security

Well school is in and that means here come the school buses. According to a Florida Department of Education survey conducted in April 2012, more than 21,000 drivers illegally passed school buses on a one day survey. That represents over 3.7 million possible violations by motorists in Florida during the 180-day school year. Each illegal pass-by could result in a tragic injury or fatality of a student. The inconvenience of an extra few seconds spent waiting for a stopped school bus is insignificant compared to the loss of a child's life, which is why Florida's departments of Education, Transportation, and Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, have teamed up to develop the Stop on Red, Kids Ahead campaign to remind drivers of the laws and safe practices to take when approaching a school bus. Florida Motor Vehicles Laws require that motorists stop upon approaching any school bus which displays its flashing red lights and

has its stop signs extended. Interested parties should refer to sections 316.172, 318.18, 318.19, and 322.0261, Florida Statutes (FS), for the specific language in the law. Florida Statutes can be found at <http://www.leg.state.fl.us/> Section 316.172, FS provides that: 316.172 Traffic to stop for school bus. ---

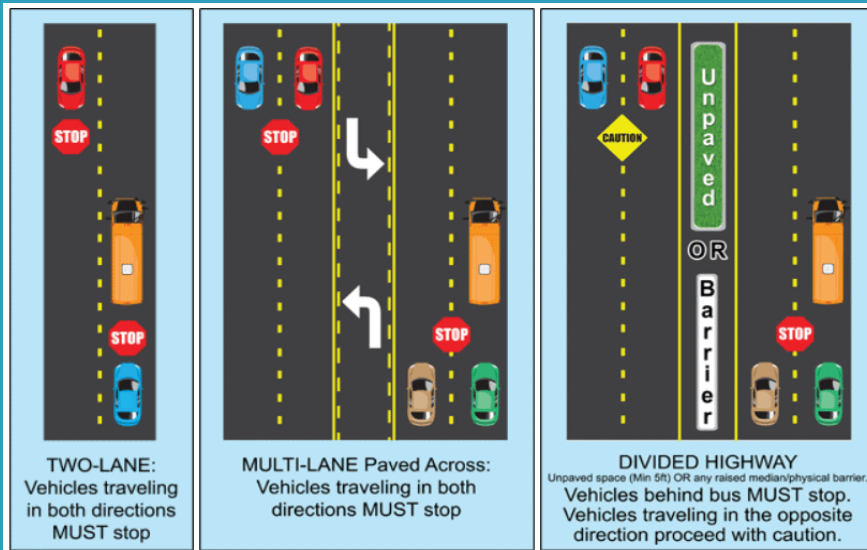
(1) (a) Any person using, operating, or driving a vehicle on or over the roads or highways of this state shall, upon approaching any school bus which displays a stop signal, bring such vehicle to a full stop while the bus is stopped, and the vehicle shall not pass the school bus until the signal has been withdrawn. A

person who violates this section commits a moving violation, punishable as provided in chapter 318. (See figure 1 below)

(b) Any person using, operating, or driving a vehicle that passes a school bus on the side that children enter and exit when the school bus displays a stop signal commits a moving violation, punishable as provided in chapter 318, and is subject to a mandatory hearing under the provisions of s. 318.19. (See figure 1 below)

(2) The driver of a vehicle upon a divided highway with an unpaved space of at least 5 feet, a raised median, or a physical barrier is not required to stop when traveling in the opposite direction of a school bus which is stopped in accordance with the provisions of this section.

(3) Every school bus shall stop as far to the right of the street as possible and shall display warning lights and stop signals as required by rules of the State Board of Education before discharging or loading passengers. When possible, a school bus shall not stop where the visibility is obscured for a distance of 200 feet either way from the bus.



Rules for stopping for school buses, courtesy FloridaSchoolBus.gov and fhsmv.gov. A youtube link (<https://youtu.be/eljli3mTPmk>) also showing this figure.

Amount of penalties (Section 318.18, FS): Section 316.172(1)(a) 1st offense: \$165 2nd or subsequent offense (within 5 years): \$165 plus license suspension for 90 days to 6 months.

Section 316.172(1)(b) 1st offense: \$265; 2nd or subsequent offense (within 5 years): \$265, license suspension for 180 days to one year, plus a mandatory hearing.

For any violation of Section 316.172, FS, 4 points assessed against driver license

As per NASWFINST 5560.5A, 4 Points will be assessed against base driving privileges for failure to stop for school bus. There's a residential area on the right approaching the West gate from Hwy 87. This area on Langley Street is also a school bus loading zone.

# News and Notes

## Job Opening: Navy Gateway Inn and Suites

Navy Gateway Inn and Suites (NGIS) is looking to hire a Supply Clerk. Please stop by NGIS Front Desk in building 2942 to pick up an application. Applications need to be submitted by Aug. 26 for consideration.

## New Pool Hours

Beginning Aug 31, the pool hours will change to 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays and 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Please disregard any prior information listing the fall pool hours as beginning Sep 8.

## Traffic Issues

Work began Aug. 17 on I-10 and Avalon Blvd. (S.R. 281) in Santa Rosa County. This \$38.6 million project will widen I-10 from the Escambia Bay Bridge to east of Avalon Blvd., reconstruct the Avalon Blvd. overpass, and widen the I-10 on-and-off ramps. Drivers will encounter overnight lane closures from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Access to businesses and other private properties along Avalon Blvd. will be maintained at all times. The project is slated for completion summer 2017.

## Job Fair

Job Fair rescheduled to Aug. 27 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. in Sikes Hall. Local, regional, and national employers will be present. Bring your most current resume and come prepared to interview! For more information, contact the NAS Whiting Field Fleet and Family Support Center at 850-623-7177.

## 2015 Bon Fest Summer Festival

Aug. 29 from 12-4 p.m. at Woodland Heights Resource Center. Free Admission. Authentic Japanese food, dancing, fun & activities for all ages. Entertainment: Maturiza Taiko Drummers. For more information contact Kumiko Curtis at 850-452-9599 or Kumiko.curtis@nexweb.org.

## Patriot 5K & 1 Mile Fun Run

Aug. 29 at Pace Cross Country Complex, Sims Middle School. 5K starts 7 a.m.; fun run at 8 a.m. Registration \$25 for 5K / \$15 for fun run.

## Football Season Shout Out for All Sailors

NAVCO is offering another opportunity to create and share short, recorded shout-outs (15-20 seconds) with a Navy key message for ALL Sailors to support their hometown professional or college football team. Call 1-855-OUR-NAVY before Aug. 31 at 8 a.m ET/7 a.m. CT and follow the instructions. Sample script: Hi, I'm Navy (rank, last name) from (city/state) and currently serving at/onboard (duty location), ready to defend and protect America at all times. I might not be home this season, but I'll still be rooting for (name of team).

## JUMP (Japan US Military Program)

Sept. 4 from 2-4:30 p.m. at the National Naval Aviation Museum. This program is for retired and active duty military who have served in Japan. Free & open to the public (advance registration required). RSVP to info@jasnwfl.org or 850-361-8570. Visit www.jasnwfl.org for more information.



## Community Recognizes Sailors

The Santa Rosa County Navy League and Santa Rosa County Chamber of Commerce presented Sailor of the Quarter recognitions during a Jul. 31 breakfast ceremony at Oops Alley. The awards were given to acknowledge service members for their volunteer efforts within the community. The three Sailors were from various Commands onboard NAS Whiting Field, including a Training Air Wing Five squadron, Naval Branch Health Clinic, and Fire and Emergency. U.S. Navy photo by Sheri Grabus.

## Dantes Subject Standardized Tests (DSST) at Milton

Sept. 18 is the next test date for DSST at the Pensacola State College Milton. Tests are on computer and by appointment only on designated days. To make an appointment or for more information, contact CWO3 Cherry at frank.e.cherry@navy.mil.

## Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST)

Oct. 14-15 from 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Atrium building, NAS Whiting Field. Civilian clothes (no uniforms). Limited number of seats still available. Deadline to register is Oct 7 by contacting the Chaplain's Office at 850-623-7211 or one of the following: Roy.L.Fondren@navy.mil, John.Deniega@navy.mil, or Aaron.Moss@navy.mil.

## ITT Specials

ITT has specials on tickets to Universal Orlando's Halloween Horror Nights and SeaWorld Orlando's Halloween Spooktacular. Contact them at 850-623-7032 for details.

## Earlier Shopping Hours at the NEX

The NEX main store is now open at 7 a.m., Monday-Friday, for your shopping convenience.

## TRAWING-5 Facebook and Twitter Page

Check out the latest from Training Air Wing FIVE by going to their social media pages. Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TrainingAirWingFIVE> and Twitter: <https://twitter.com/trainingwing5>.

## Make a Suggestion

NAS Whiting Field Commanding Officer Capt. Todd Bahlau has a suggestion box on the installation website: [http://cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrse/installations/nas\\_whiting\\_field/about/cosuggestion.html](http://cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrse/installations/nas_whiting_field/about/cosuggestion.html).

## Teen Hires

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the teens who aren't hired have the experience of participating in at least seven interviews. The managers for each area hire the applicant they feel is best suited for their program," says Chris Hendrix, the NAS Whiting Field School Liaison Officer.

The teens hired this summer were Kourtney Prevot assisting at the Child Development Center, Paige Thompson at the Coffee Shop, Micheal Johnson and Westley Wuesthoff at Mulligans, Amy Fulmer at the gym, Brianna Raiff and Kyla Kirby at the Liberty Center, Tyler Kelley at the Outdoor Recreation office, Gerrod Granger and Gregory Baker at Whiting Park, and Brianna Danos with the MWR administrative office.

Brianna Danos, 17, filed papers, made copies, updated pamphlets, and distributed office mail for MWR. "I heard about the program on Facebook, and I thought it would be a good place to get work experience, since this would be my first real job," she said.

Beyond the interview and hiring process, the program continues to educate the teens, who receive an hour of job skills training each week by the Fleet and Family Support Center. Each teen is also required to conduct a project for the summer relating to or for the job they were hired for. Fulmer, hired at the gym, helped to brainstorm, coordinate, and execute the recent

5k Color Fun Run at NAS Whiting Field. Additionally, teens must submit an essay on their experiences and growth through the program.

At the MWR coffee shop, Thompson also was employed for the first time. She heard about the program from her sister, who had been a Teen Hire previously. "I really like being able to interact with everyone who comes in and hear about their day. I would definitely recommend it for others; it's really effective at getting you out of your comfort zone and used to working with new people."



**Paige Thompson**  
Teen Hire in the Coffee Shop

T.J. Edgar, Fitness Director at the NAS Whiting Field gym, was impressed with the teens' improvements.

"It's great to watch them come together and they're definitely good additions." ←

## Singer/Songwriter

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"'Dragonfly' came about after seeing a dragonfly on the flight deck prior to a flight one night. It had followed us all the way from Norfolk."

Maniscalco was a singer/songwriter before he was an active duty military member. As a 16 year-old in Jackson, Miss., he first picked up a guitar to play a Beatles song during choral summer camp. With the help of his guitar-playing father, he then taught himself to play all of the songs from that Beatles album, "Abbey Road." He credits American singer/songwriter John Mayer with sparking his interest in more modern music. However, his desire to begin writing songs was inspired by the music of Dave Matthews, a Grammy award-winning musician who primarily plays acoustic guitar.

Maniscalco released his first CD, "Take What's Left & Make It Right," in 2011. This solo acoustic album consisted of 15 songs from Maniscalco's first and second military deployments. He continues to play these songs during live gigs.

A few years after the release of the CD, a friend forwarded Maniscalco an email from Operation Encore -- an organization that brings musicians together to tell their stories of military life to the public, and to raise money for veteran's causes. Operation Encore was searching for active duty/veteran songwriters, so Maniscalco sent them a sample from his song "We Are." He was asked to send more songs.

The result was that two of Maniscalco's songs, "Wake Up" and

"We Are," were among the 16 released last year on a CD titled "Operation Encore."

According to Maniscalco, "We Are" was the result of years of effort that finally came together during a military-related port visit to Bahrain, a small island country in the Middle East.

"['We Are'] is a song of individual struggle, but harps on the fact that we're all going through the same things," Maniscalco said. "These last lines of the song are the ones that stand out to me: 'We are trying to believe. We are stronger than you think. We are fighting for our lives. We are bold enough to try.'"

Maniscalco's next live performance will be Aug. 29 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Blackwater Bistro, located at 5147 Elmira Street in Milton. During this performance, audience members will hear that Maniscalco continues to use his talents for songwriting and singing to share compelling stories describing the emotional challenges and rewards of military life. He also hopes his music, and the efforts of Operation Encore, will challenge some stereotypes that people have about active duty members and veterans.

"There's a certain connotation that goes along with the label 'veteran.' Some of it is rooted in truth, while other parts of that image come from what the public sees in movies or TV shows," Maniscalco said. "One of the reasons Operation Encore is so special to me is not that it is comprised of veterans who happen to play music. It's that it is made up of musicians who also happen to be veterans. There's a distinct difference between the two." ←

# Family Assistance

NAS Whiting Field



## AUGUST 2015

TO REPORT A SEXUAL ASSAULT:



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>Suicide Prevention</b> <b>ACT! Ask Care Treat</b>						1
2	3 Stress Management 1:00 - 3:00 pm	4 Conflict Management 11:00 am - 12:00 pm Lunch & Learn 11:00 am - 12:00 pm	5 Parenting 101 10:00 am - 12:00 pm TW5-Smooth Move 1:00 - 3:00 pm	6 Challenges of Flight School & Marriage 9:00 - 11:00 am Developing Your Spending Plan 1:00 - 3:00 pm	7 VA Representative 8:00 am - 12:00 pm	8
9	10 Stress Management 1:00 - 3:00 pm	11 Anger Management 11:00 am - 12:00 pm Lunch & Learn 11:00 am - 12:00 pm	12 Learning & Studying Strategies 10:00 - 11:30 am Base Smooth Move 1:00 - 3:00 pm	13 Challenges of Flight School & Marriage 9:00 - 11:00 am Thrift Savings Plan 1:00 - 3:00 pm	14	15
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## Naval Air Station Whiting Field to Hold Job Fair Aug. 27

By: Jay Cope, NAS Whiting Field Public Affairs Office

Due to a conflict in scheduling, the Naval Air Station (NAS) Whiting Field Job Fair will be held Thursday, Aug. 27 versus the originally scheduled date of Aug. 20. The job fair is the installation's largest community relations project each year, and this will be the 26th annual event. It is free and open to the public.

The Fleet and Family Support Center at NAS Whiting Field is sponsoring the fair from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in the base's Sikes Hall. The facility can hold as many as 80 vendors during the six-hour event and often draws as many as 1,000 job seekers.

Registered employers for this year's event include: University of West Florida, City of Pensacola, Gulf Power, Cintas Corp, Florida Highway Patrol, General Electric, Georgia Pacific and Escambia County Sheriff's Office. All employers actively seeking veterans and those with military experience are strongly encouraged to attend.

The annual fair provides a unique opportunity for employers to prescreen a remarkable talent pool from a broad cross-section of the workforce - without having to schedule individual office visits. Company personnel can quickly screen applicants and then invite the most promising candidates for

more in-depth interviews. Many employers attending last year's Job Fair held on-the-spot interviews with qualified individuals, and several employees were hired on site.

Active duty, and retired service members, veterans and their spouses are invited. NAS Whiting Field's Job Fair is also open to the general public. The job fair is a great opportunity for job seekers to learn about careers, meet with employers who are hiring, discover what companies need and obtain firsthand information about the company from a live representative.

No large backpacks, weapons, or other unauthorized items are allowed. All attendees are subject to random searches by NAS Whiting Field security, and all employers will be screened and searched upon arrival. Civilians driving on base must present a valid driver's license, vehicle registration, and insurance.

Employers may phone NAS Whiting Field's Fleet and Family Support Center at (850) 623-7177, or fax (850) 623-7642 or (850) 623-7690 to request a table at this event. Email may be sent to [Darryl.Johnson2@navy.mil](mailto:Darryl.Johnson2@navy.mil) or [Terri.Maddox@navy.mil](mailto:Terri.Maddox@navy.mil) to request registration information. Parking will be available in marked locations surrounding Sikes Hill.

There are no fees for employers or job seekers!

## From TRAWING-5

# Congratulations to TRAWING-5 Wingers



Training Air Wing FIVE recognized these newly-winged Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and International Aviators on Aug. 14. U.S. Navy photo by Ensign Jeremy Griffin.

# Congratulations to TRAWING-5 Scholars



Congratulations to Training Air Wing FIVE's Academic Achievement Award recipients for (l-r): Aug. 11, Aug. 14, and Aug. 20. This was the second academic award presented to the Aug. 14 recipient within a few weeks' time. U.S. Navy photos courtesy TRAWING-5.



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