



# DAUAA JAX CHRONICLE

Defense Acquisition University Alumni Association Jax

## JOIN THE DAU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION IN CONGRATULATING OUR 2018 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNERS!



*Shown from Left to Right: Ms. Elizabeth Nealin (Chief Engineer FRCSE), Mr. John Roberts (DAU Scholarship Recipient), Ms. Kyrsten Wehner (DAU Scholarship Recipient), Jason Chen (DAU Scholarship Recipient) and Mr. John Martin (Industrial Business Office Director FRCSE)*

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:





## Meet the Winners!

**Mr. John Roberts from Orange Park High School is the honorary recipient of a \$1000 DAU AA STEM Scholarship.** Mr. Roberts' precision focus to maintain an impressive 4.29 GPA throughout high school, earned him membership in the National Honor Society. Along with his impressive GPA he has managed to be an active participant in Mu Alpha Theta, the Math Honor Society, and several math competitions. Mr. Roberts is a compassionate young man who volunteers his time tutoring others in math, spending time at local animal shelters, and is currently the President of Raiders Excited About Christ's Homecoming (REACH) helping spread Christ's word one student at a time. Congratulations to Mr. Robert's as he ventures off to University of Florida in Gainesville to pursue a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

**Ms. Kyrsten Wehner from Clay High School is the honorary recipient of a \$1000 DAU AA Non-specific AT&L Scholarship.** While in high school, Ms. Wehner maintained a 4.56 GPA while juggling an intense schedule as a Drum Major and earning high accolades with the All-State Honors Band. Along with her rigorous schedule, Ms. Wehner served as an active participant in the National Honor Society, BETA Club, and the Sign Language Honor Society. She is also an avid volunteer in community service donating much of her time to the Urban Plunge as well as the Florida Youth Challenge Academy. Ms. Wehner is the epitome of grace and inner strength who served as a role model to teach others to believe in yourself as she overcame her own personal health challenges. Combined with her love of music, she has flourished as a young leader installing confidence in others as she overcame her own health issues and believed that anything is possible with hard work and the right attitude towards life. Congratulations to Ms. Wehner as she pursues her dreams by obtaining a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music as well as a degree in Astrophysics from the University of Florida.



## Meet the Winners!

**Mr. Jason Chen from Ridgeview High School is the honorary recipient of a \$1000 DAU AA Non-specific AT&L Scholarship.** Mr. Chen is an academic warrior who has impressively maintained a 4.75 GPA while nearly perfecting his SAT scores. Mr. Chen's drive and determination have transcended him to hold leadership positions in organizations such as: National Honor Society, National Science Honor Society, the Math Honor Society and the French Honor Society. Mr. Chen was also the Robotics Team Captain, and was active on the Debate Team. Mr. Chen's passion for Mathematics sparked his interest to employ a project by corresponding with NASA on the topic to find the duration of light exposure on any celestial body in space to decrease the cost for satellites and determine atmospheric composition of planets. Mr. Chen's curiosity and constant communication with NASA has led him to formulate his own equation that enabled him to construct a geometric vector model of the light in a planetary system. As a result, Mr. Chen was recognized by the Northeast Florida Astronomical Society and received an invitation to the State Science Fair. Mr. Chen's forward thinking and drive will serve as a helpful resource that will benefit the future of astronomical mathematics and exploration. Congratulations to Mr. Chen as he pursues a Biomedical Engineering Degree to produce mathematical models for tumor and growth radiology at either the University of Florida or Florida State University this fall.

**Mr. Shane May from Orange Park High School is the honorary recipient of a \$1000 DAU AA STEM Scholarship.** Mr. May is the epitome of what we call an intellectually curious and academically driven student. Throughout high school, Mr. May maintained a 4.35 GPA in a very rigorous Dual Enrollment and Advanced Placement Program. As a very ambitious young man, he is involved in many activities like Mu Alpha Theta, Math Honor Society and has earned distinction as an AP Scholar with Honors, while still finding time to participate in extracurricular activities such as serving on the Teen Court. Mr. May's belief in Advanced Placement courses and his passion for learning has propelled him to pursue a Software Engineering Degree. He will be heading to either UNF, FSU or Embry Riddle to pursue a Software Engineering Degree once a decision is made where he wants to attend college. Congratulations.





# Middleburg High School Award Ceremony Marking 4 Years as Lead for DAU Alumni Association Chapter Jacksonville Newsletter



*Top Left – Josh Rudnitskie, Mr. Daune Mallicoat, Austin Tomlinson, Mr. Lee Butler, Eryn Shipley;  
Bottom Left – Amber Mason, Mackenzie Wenzel, Paige Agnew, Mrs. Mallory Guldi, Mr. Terry Tillman*

On Thursday May 17th at the Middleburg High School Digital Design Class the DAU Alumni Association Jacksonville Chapter Board of Directors presented Mrs. Mallory Guldi and her Digital Design Class with Community Letters of Service and a gift card in appreciation of their work on the 2017-18 DAU AA Jax Chapter Newsletter editing and publication. This was the 4th year of the partnership and the MHS Digital Design team will be supporting the newsletter publications for the 2018-19 school year. This year's awards were presented by Mr. Lee Butler, VP for Outreach; Mr. Grant Meadows, VP Public Affairs; Mr. Terry Tillman, Lead Fundraiser Coordinator and Mr. Duane Mallicoat, Chapter President.



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This partnership started with a meeting with Mrs. Mallory Guldi who had some questions about the possibility of partnering with the DAUAA Jax Chapter as a way of giving her students a chance to interface with the community and also to enable the students to earn Community Service Letters for their effort. Back in August 2014 the students designed the newsletter and named it. There are 3 publications per year, the DAUAA Jax Chapter VP for Public Affairs/Newsletter Coordinator Mr. Grant Meadows reviews and provides the articles for publication and then the students format and map the articles to that edition and upon review and approval turns the newsletter into a PDF for distribution to the +1150 local AT&L Workforce members as well as the DAU Alumni Association Corporate office in Fort Belvoir, VA for their distribution to the other DAUAA Active Chapters.

We now would love to give Mrs. Mallory Guldi the opportunity to comment on the partnership and what benefits she believes it has had on her students.

“The partnership is a great opportunity for the students to work with a real client. They see firsthand how to combine personal design choices with the client’s expectations and input. The students experience working with team members to collaborate and produce a professional product for distribution. The students can include this experience on resumes and in a professional portfolio. We are excited to continue this partnership with the DAUAA JAX and offer this opportunity to other students in the Digital Design program at Middleburg High School!”

We at DAU Alumni Association receive praise for the quality and content of the Chapter Newsletters but the real praise goes to Mrs. Mallory Guldi and her six students that make the dreams a reality. As three of this year’s team are Seniors we look forward to working with the “new” team members as we look to enhance and grow the quality, and yes, the page count of each edition. We at DAU Alumni Association Jacksonville Florida Chapter could not be more pleased with the partnership and look ahead to greater success. When you meet with the students who comprise the development team at MHS one can quickly see that our future is in great hands. Many thanks again to the entire MHS Digital Design Team for ANOTHER very successful year of newsletter publication. I’m not sure your impact of the overall growth and effectiveness can be measured but your team gives us an edge to continue to grow and to meet the needs of the local AT&L Workforce.



## “UNI” NOW Available to Military Players

The DAUAA JAX Golf Tournament has been very active for the past three years since our 2015 Winter Golf Open Intro on the Naval Air Station Jacksonville Golf Course. We have our share of good gamers and winners, but also have come to enjoy the high volume of beginners and ones who struggle with their game even though they love to play. For this reason we introduced one of our greatest members to the DAUAA JAX Team named UNI. UNI swiftly became the Mascot of the game and is loved by both the winners and beginners. UNI made the less fortunate winners his very own family for a period of time until he could find a new family to enjoy the Holidays. UNI was designed to bring humor and laughter to their homes and help them remember that golf is not only a sport, that it can also bring together many people from different walks of life (i.e. military, civilian, DOD, Contractor) for a cause that shapes our National Defense’s future.



Since the beginning of our tournament we have made UNI off limits to the Military Golf Teams and strictly awarded to non-military only. In the December 2017 DAUAA JAX Winter Golf Open, the idea of Military Teams having UNI came to light with Team VP-62. Team VP-62 embraced the idea of UNI being a member of the VP-62 family until they could return him in the 2018 game. Due to the rules, UNI was not able to find refuge at the Great Estate of the VP-62 Broad Arrows of NAS Jacksonville. However, he did get to pay a visit to their home and spend time with his family there. What he left with them was a lasting impression. The same joy, memories, and laughter he brought to his non-military families, he nearly doubled it in one day at the home of the VP-62 Broad Arrows. The morale levels flew through the roof as Junior Sailors passed him in the main p-way of the Command. The interactions sparked a new rule to the game.

That new rule is:

UNI will now be available to all teams playing in the DAUAA JAX Golf Events; to include Military Teams.

- ENS Lee Butler, VP of Outreach





## Our Future AT&L Workforce: What is Happening in the Community

### **Middleburg High School's ACE Team Wins Second Place in Civil Engineering**

**Competition.** Please congratulate Ashley Futch on an outstanding presentation and model design. She represented her team of four at the ACE Civil Engineering Competition at UNF. She did a fantastic job. The team's goal was to redesign downtown Jacksonville's infrastructure to accommodate for the "tallest skyscraper in Florida," which they had to build and design. The team earned second place for their project.



*Submitted by: Chise Apiata,  
Drafting Instructor,  
Middleburg High School*

**Oakleaf High School's Aerospace Academy Student Spotlight.** Oakleaf Aerospace Academy student Kaitlyn Casey recently had the experience of a lifetime when she took advantage of the Clay County's Career Shadowing program. Kaitlyn was able to shadow JFRD Captain Ashley Burkhalter for the day at Station 56 located on Cecil Field. Captain Burkhalter was extremely impressed by Kaitlyn's passion for aviation and helping others. She remarked that Kaitlyn has a very bright future ahead of her. Kaitlyn is an active student at Oakleaf High School. She plays volleyball, flag football, and is a member of the girls weightlifting team. She will graduate this year with over 100 hours of community service and plans to attend Jacksonville University's Aviation program in the fall.



*Submitted by: Shawna Hendrix,  
Aerospace Academy Instructor,  
Oakleaf High School*



# OPEN "FORE!" GOLF

Friday, May 25<sup>th</sup>

Eagle Landing Golf Course

3989 Eagle Landing Pkwy, Orange Park, FL 32065

**Interested in a  
4 Day Weekend?**

**\$ 100 player / \$400 team fee**

Includes cart, green fee & lunch

7:00 am Arrival

9:00 am Start

PGA Gift Cards & 30 minute  
lesson included with registration!

All Major Credit Cards Accepted

**Three Opportunities to  
Move Your Team Up in  
the Rankings**

**Sponsor a  
Military  
Member, Team,  
or Hole**  
**\$100** per player  
**\$400** per team  
**\$250** per hole

Sign up via the [www.dauaajax.org](http://www.dauaajax.org) website



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Eagle Landing Golf Course

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For Information & Registration Contact:

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Mulligans \* Raffles \* 50/50 \* Silent Auction \*  
Free “Select Wellness” Massages Prior to Start

## Prizes Include:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$100 per player

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$75 per player

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: \$50 per player

**PLUS SPECIAL HOLE PRIZES!**

**Our Goal is to Raise  
\$14000 for:**

- ❖ \$6000 STEM & other High School scholarships
- ❖ \$1000 Military Appreciation
- ❖ \$3500 Navy Marine Corps Relief Society
- ❖ \$3500 USO Greater Jacksonville

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# **SAVE THE DATE**

The “NEXT” DAU Alumni Association Jacksonville, Florida Chapter Golf Fundraiser will be **Friday 30 November**  
(the Friday AFTER Thanksgiving week)

**LOCATION:** The Golf Course @ Fleming Island  
7am registration and 9am start

**COST:** \$85.00 per player

**NUMBER OF POSSIBLE TEAMS:** 34

**AMOUNT TO BE RAISED:** \$12,000



**WHERE DOES THE \$\$ GO:**

- NMCRS Jacksonville Florida
- USO Greater Jacksonville
- YMCA After School STEM
- Military Command Awards: FRCSE and DLA
- Community Awards: NMCRS and SELECT and USO Greater Jacksonville
- “Anything Left Over”: Our 2019 High School Scholarship Fund

**WAYS TO HELP:**

- Volunteer to:
  - Put a team in
  - Pay for a military member to play (we are looking for 16 players)
  - Work the day of the event (you will earn a Community Service Letter)
  - HELP the Golf Event Team contact sponsors (need 8 people)

*Info Coming Soon to the DAUAA Jax Chapter Website*

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# DAU Lunch & Learn 3rd Quarter Schedule, FY18

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time (CT)</b>	<b>Topic</b>
May 16th	1130- 1300	No L&L Session- See DAU Alumni Assn. Hot Topic Forum
May 23rd	1130- 1300	Digital Engineering
May 30th	1130- 1300	No L&L Session- Holiday Week
Jun 6th	1130- 1300	Cybersecurity as it applies to the Survivability Key Performance Parameter
Jun 13th	1130- 1300	Earned Value Management
Jun 20th	1130- 1300	Contracts Incentives and Disincentives
Jun 27th	1130- 1300	Color of Money

Lunch and Learn Events are located at:  
The presentations are offered via DCS at:

<https://conference.apps.mil/webconf/3rdQtrDAULunchandLearn> (Enter as a Guest)

Register for session(s) at: <http://go.usa.gov/H2sA>

For Content Files, Changes/Updates:

<https://www.dau.mil/Pages/Browse-All-Events.aspx#All|All|Lunch and Learn|recent|All>





# DAU Lunch & Learn 4th Quarter Schedule, FY18

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time (CT)</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Jul 4th	1230-1400	No L&L Session- Holiday Week
Jul 11th	1230-1400	Joint Capability Technology Demonstration Program Overview
Jul 18th	1230-1400	No L&L Session- See DAU Alumni Assn. Hot Topic Forum
Jul 25th	1230-1400	Improving Svc Acquisitions using a Service Acquisition Workshop
Aug 1st	1230-1400	TBD
Aug 8th	1230-1400	Cybersecurity Table Top Evaluation Tool
Aug 15th	1230-1400	TBD
Aug 22nd	1230-1400	Lean Manufacturing Overview
Aug 29th	1230-1400	TBD
Sep 5th	1230-1400	No L&L Session- Holiday Week
Sep 12th	1230-1400	Understanding Cost Estimates for Non-Cost Estimators
Sep 19th	1230-1400	No L&L Session – See DAU Alumni Assn. Hot Topic Forum
Sep 26th	1230-1400	Condition Based Maintenance

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# Cybersecurity and the Logistics Professional Training

For those who weren't able to attend the "Cybersecurity and the Logistics Professional" Lunch & Learn, we encourage you to take a look at the slide deck at <https://www.dau.mil/events/Lunch-and-Learn---Cybersecurity-and-the-Logistics-Professional->

Additional info in today's blog post at <https://www.dau.mil/training/career-development/logistics/blog/Cybersecurity-and-the-Logistics-Professional>



## DAUAA JAX Announces the Chapter's 1st annual "CAPTAIN CHUCK STUART" Scholarship

**The Captain Chuck Stuart DAUAA JACKSONVILLE Chapter Scholarship** recipient receives an academic scholarship awarded annually for demonstrated academic and leadership achievement as well as significant community involvement. The scholarship will be initially setup as a \$500 scholarship that will be applied directly to the recipient's continued pursuit of academic excellence. DAUAA JAX is honored to have the support and leadership of CAPT Stuart in standing up the JAX chapter that has been extremely successful in impacting DOD civilians, military and the local community. Recipients must be a high school senior enrolled in an accredited university, college, community college, or trade school for the fall semester of the year of application. Recipients can be dominated by parent, grandparent, or legal guardian of applicant, must be a current or Associate Member of the DAUAA JACKSONVILLE Chapter in good standing. Read following bio of Captain Stuart.



Captain Charles M. "Chuck" Stuart, from Virginia Beach, Virginia, graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1991 and was designated a Naval Aviator in December 1993.

His two Lieutenant tours consisted of flying the CH/MH-53E "Super Stallion" helicopter with Helicopter Combat Support Squadron Four (HC-4) in Sigonella, Italy, and flying search and rescue in the HH-1N "Huey" helicopter at Naval Air Station Meridian, Mississippi. During his time with the "Black Stallions" of HC-4, Commander Stuart flew missions throughout the Mediterranean Sea and Persian Gulf, supporting seven carrier battle group and six amphibious readiness group deployments.

Captain Stuart was selected as an Aeronautical Engineering Duty Officer in 2001 and transferred to Naval Air Systems Command at NAS Patuxent River, Maryland. He served four years as the Test Manager for the V-22 "Osprey" Program (PMA-275), responsible for all developmental and operational testing of the Marine Corps MV-22 and Air Force CV-22 and leading to the program's successful return to flight in 2002 and operational evaluation in 2005.





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In 2005, Captain Stuart reported to the Navy and Marine Corps Unmanned Air Systems (UAS) Program Office (PMA-263). There he served as the Deputy Integrated Product Team (IPT) Lead for the Broad Area Maritime Surveillance program, Deputy IPT Lead for UAS Common Systems and as the IPT Lead for Submarine UAS Integration.

During his tour with PMA-263, Captain Stuart was temporarily assigned to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, where he supported annual detainee reviews under the Office for the Administrative Review of the Detention of Enemy Combatants.

From 2008 to 2011, Captain Stuart served as the 15th Executive Officer and Commanding Officer of Fleet Readiness Center, Western Pacific, in Atsugi, Japan, providing depot aircraft support to 1st Marine Air Wing, Carrier Air Wing Five, and all Navy and Marine Corps ships and squadrons deploying outside the continental U.S.

Following his initial command tour, Captain Stuart was assigned as Chief of Staff to Commander Fleet Readiness Centers, before reporting aboard Fleet Readiness Center Southeast, as their Executive Officer in 2013. In July 2015, Captain Stuart took command of Fleet Readiness Center Southeast as their 40th Commanding Officer. While assigned to Fleet Readiness Center Southeast, Captain Stuart encouraged and supported the initial standup of the **Jacksonville Chapter of the Defense Acquisition University Alumni Association**.

Captain Stuart holds a Master of Science Degree in Aeronautical Engineering from the University of Maryland and a Master of Business Administration Degree from Mississippi State University. As a student of the Defense Acquisition University, Captain Stuart has earned "Level III" qualifications in Program Management, Test and Evaluation, Systems Engineering, and Production, Quality and Manufacturing. He has been awarded the Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Commendation Medal, Navy Commendation Medal, Joint Achievement Medal, and Navy Achievement Medal, as well as other personal, campaign and unit awards.



## The Captain Chuck Stuart, 1500, USN DAUAA Jacksonville Chapter Scholarship Program

The **Captain Chuck Stuart DAUAA JACKSONVILLE Chapter Scholarship Program** scholar receives an academic scholarship awarded annually for demonstrated academic and leadership achievement as well as significant community involvement. The **\$500** scholarship will be applied directly to the recipient's continued pursuit of academic excellence.

### 1. SELECTION CRITERIA

- Parent, grandparent, or legal guardian of applicant, must be a current or Associate Member of the DAUAA JACKSONVILLE Chapter in good standing.
- Must be a high school senior enrolled in an accredited university, college, community college, or trade school for the fall semester of the year of application.

### 2. SUBMISSION CRITERIA

- All applications **must be postmarked** by 30 June 2017. *Note: Late entries will not be considered.*
- Applicant must provide two character references in the form of a letter of recommendation (Recommendations must be from teachers, counselors or other persons of influence in your life, other than relatives, who have known you at least two years and are in a position to address your character, citizenship, and leadership).
- Applicant must show a proven record of academic achievement.
- A certified transcript or photocopy of your high school grades (to include class rank if applicable).
- A copy of ACT or SAT scores.
- Applicant must show a proven record of extracurricular involvement, and/or community service, and leadership ability as evidenced by:
  - Listing of activities that the applicant has been involved in during high school to include school, private, and volunteer organizations.
  - Listing leadership positions held, honors, and academic awards.
- Applicant must prepare and submit an essay of no less than one page, no more than 2 pages on the topic of "Why is a college education important to me."
- The sponsoring member must be a member (includes Associate Member) of the DAUAAJACKSONVILLE Florida Chapter by June 30<sup>th</sup>, of the year of application to be considered.
- NOTES:
  - Scholarships are for one year.
  - Scholarships will be sent as direct payment to the university, college, or trade school and applied to the student' account.



**DAUAA JACKSONVILLE CHAPTER CHUCK STUART SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DAUAA JAX Member/Associate Member Sponsor:** \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home/Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

High School GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Class Rank (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of college or university you are attending in the Fall: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied to the fall semester: Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted: Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

If you have applied to other colleges, please indicate \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information on this application is true and if selected for a DAUAA JAX Chapter scholarship I agree to allow my name and photo to be posted on the DAUAA JAX website, newsletter and similar publications highlighting the Chuck Stuart scholarship winner.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

DAUAA JAX Member Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**All application must be postmarked by 30 June 2018 (late entries will not be considered)**

**Mail it to Duane Mallicoat, DAU AA Jacksonville Florida Chapter,**

**2271 Trailwood Drive, Fleming Island, FL 32003**







# NMCRS JACKSONVILLE ANNUAL FUND DRIVE HITS \$335K

The 2018 NMCRS Annual Fund Drive is coming to a very successful end where the military personnel and commands on board NAS Jacksonville, Florida have donated \$335,142 for the NMCRS.

In 2017 NMCRS Jacksonville provided \$1.7 million in assistance for NAS Jacksonville military. So looking forward to 2018 and into 2019 and based on the recent annual fund drive the NMCRS can stand ready to continue their support.

DAU Alumni Association Jacksonville Chapter has partnered with the NMCRS Jacksonville team as one of their community outreach partnerships.

Monika Woods and her NMCRS team is very appreciative of the continued support that DAU AA Jacksonville Chapter provides to the office so they can continue to meet the needs of the nation's finest.

The attached photo is an example of some of the creative approaches that a command took to support the annual fund drive. A group from the Intelligence Community at their recent Conference elected to donate to NMCRS in lieu of purchasing snacks for the conference. There are many ways to donate and sponsor to the NMCRS, the key is every dollar donated makes a difference.





## Paddling for fun and for the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society

On March 10th, one week after Corporal Esteban Blyar reached his End of Active Service (EAS) in the Marine Corps, he set out to circumnavigate the entire coastline of Florida. It is called the Florida Circumnavigational Saltwater Paddling Trail. "CT" for short and Esteban will be paddling it on his 17 foot Sea Kayak. Weather and future employment permitting, he expects to finish the 1515 mile trail in less than three months. It is understandable how the weather can affect the trip, however, Esteban additionally just finished applying, testing and interviewing to be a Law Enforcement Officer for the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC). And Esteban emphasized, "His dream job and about the only reason he would cut his kayak adventure short."

Prior to starting a new career, conquer a challenge, and raise money for the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS), NAS Jacksonville, Esteban plans to paddle an average of 25 miles each day, from the Florida-Alabama Border, down the Gulf Coast, around Key West then heading north past his hometown of Jacksonville to the Florida-Georgia Border. Esteban feels it is appropriate to include the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS) as part of his trip for a few reasons. He stated that he received Emergency travel assistance from NMCRS, while on an exercise in Yuma Ariz. Esteban said that, "They made sure I made it home in time for my Grandmother's Memorial Service." He will also tell you that he used the NMCRS budget counseling to save up the money needed, which is allowing him the time and finances to complete this trip. You can follow his trip at the following sites <https://www.facebook.com/kayakingtheFloridaCT> or EstebanBlyar1515 on Instagram, and help him raise funds for our Navy and Marine Corps Families at <https://www.facebook.com/donate/1585489604900120/880895188755747/>.

As of 25 April 2018, Esteban has paddled through the Gulf Coast and Everglades, down around Key West and up the Atlantic past Miami.





## Paddling for fun and for the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society

Esteban entered the Marine Corps shortly after graduating high school in Jacksonville, FL. For him, the Marine Corps was an obvious choice because it was very familiar to him. He grew up in a Marine Corps family, living overseas for 10 of his first 15 years in Japan, Czech Republic and Honduras. It was Okinawa, Japan where he first learned to enjoy the outdoors; snorkeling, hiking and kayaking.



Since joining the Marine Corps, Esteban has spent a majority of his time at Cherry Point, NC and Yuma Arizona. He was also able to add to the amount of countries he has been by serving on two humanitarian missions in Belize and Haiti.

“I even ran across a Navy Corpsman in Haiti that knew my Dad because NMCRS in Jacksonville had helped him out”, said Esteban. All things considered, Esteban stated that he is still surprised by how many Marines are unaware of how the Society can help and he hopes to help spread the word. Semper Fidelis!

Esteban’s last extended kayak trip was for little over a week, in the Everglades, just prior to entering the Marine Corps. He is looking forward to camping out and seeing all the wildlife where most people seldom ever go. He said he will be taking pics and posting along the way, provided he has connectivity. So look for his posts, share his post and send him a message.



Check out his progress at <https://www.facebook.com/kayakingtheFloridaCT> and help him raise funds for our Navy and Marine Corps Families at <https://www.facebook.com/donate/1585489604900120/880895188755747/>.





## This Month's Health Tip by Select Health & Wellness, Fleming Island, FL

*A proud partner of the DAUAA Jacksonville Florida Chapter*

Select's Health tip of the month: DRINK MORE WATER. Most of what we consider today as illness, or sickness, or fatigue is really our body trying to communicate it's need for water. Our bodies are over 80% water....even our bones are composed of more than 20% water. Imagine what happens to the functioning of your organs, your brain, your muscles, your joints, when there is not enough water in the system? Aside from transporting nutrients and hormones through our bodies, water is also responsible for helping eliminate waste; if acidic waste isn't properly carried away from cells, it remains and contributes to chronic pain and inflammation. Even allergies and asthma have been linked to dehydration, as histamine will ration water when the body is dehydrated; which in turn increases histamine and the allergic response. Ensuring that your body remains properly hydrated is one of the easiest ways to improve your health, energy and vitality RIGHT NOW. But how much? The easiest formula to follow is ensuring that you drink half your body weight in ounces. For example, a person weighing 150lbs should consume 75 ounces of water a day. If this calculation seems like a lot to you, I would guess that you aren't drinking as much water as you should! For more health tips check out our Youtube channel and follow us on Facebook. Cheers!



## Southern Cruisers

Here is the picture and write-up for the check presentation to the Southern Cruisers.

DAUAA-Jax President Duane Mallicoat (center) presents a check to First Officer Scott “Dukenstein” Dukes (left) and Safety Officer (and DAUAA-Jax member) Grant Meadows (right) of the Northeast Florida Chapter 115 of the Southern Cruisers Riding Club. The check was presented to the club during a multi-chapter “corn hole” tournament at Ronnie Van Zant Memorial Park in Green Cove Springs on 3 March 2018. The money was forwarded to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital on behalf of Chapter 115 at the annual state rally which was held April 12 -15 in Crystal River. The state rally raised over \$9,000 for the hospital in addition to the individual chapter contributions.

The Southern Cruisers Riding Club is a club for everyone who enjoys riding for the thrill of riding regardless of the make of motorcycle as long as it is street legal and can maintain highway speeds. Chapter 115 has members who ride scooters, two-wheelers, and trikes. The Southern Cruisers Riding Club was founded over 20 years ago in Memphis and currently has nearly 27,000 active members in 713 chapters worldwide, with over 100 members in Chapter 115. Membership is free with no dues or fees. For more information, go to [jaxsouthern cruisers.com](http://jaxsouthern cruisers.com).



*Photo credit 115 Chapter member Robert “Deadeye” Coggin, a retired Navy senior chief.*



## DoD Breaking News

### [Navy reduces LCS mission package requirement by 20 units](#)

By: Lee Hudson, InsideDefense.com - Inside The Navy, March 30, 2018

"The Navy has made the long-awaited decision to reduce its Littoral Combat Ship mission package requirement by 20 units because of a determination made in 2014 that the service would purchase fewer ships, according to two reports viewed by Inside the Navy. The service will purchase 32 LCSs, down from the planned 52-ship buy, which in turn reduces the mission package requirement from 64 to 44. The quantity breakdown is 24 mine countermeasures mission packages, 10 surface warfare mission packages and 10 antisubmarine warfare mission packages, according to a report submitted March 1 by Pentagon acquisition chief Ellen Lord to Congress. The report was mandated by the Fiscal Year 2017 National Defense Authorization Act."

### [Is the F-35 Really Worth the \\$1,500,000,000 Price Tag?](#)

By: Sebastien Roblin, The National Interest, April 21, 2018

"One could argue there is a certain logic to this. The United States spends greater sums on the military than any other country (though some spend a greater percentage of GDP), and it has emphasized air power as its chief military instrument in recent decades. Additionally, different variants of the F-35 are prepared to equip the Air Force, Navy and Marines through most of the twenty-first century, and the type is also slated to serve in the air forces or navies of Australia, Belgium, Denmark, Israel, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Norway, South Korea and Turkey—with more countries likely to join the list."

### [Army education has easier credentialing access, no multiple choice exams in its future](#)

By: Scott Maucione, FederalNewsRadio.com, March 28, 2018

"The Army is changing its education system to make it easier for soldiers to obtain college credit and occupational credentials. Moving toward a more accredited curriculum is meant to help soldiers once they get out of the service, as well as aid them in following the career path they want in the military. Chief Sgt. Maj. David Turnbull, command sergeant major for the U.S. Army Arms Center, said the service is looking at ways to open up more credentials to soldiers and consolidate some of the 11,000 credentials the Army awards. Any special knowledge or skills a soldier has trained to do is considered a credential."

### [Pentagon Tech Chief Sets Sights on Ambitious Developments](#)

By: Tony Bertuca, Inside Defense, April 18, 2018.

"The Pentagon's chief technologist says he wants to develop space-based lasers for missile defense within the next decade, an ambitious goal under a new pair of modernization tracks at the Defense Department. Mike Griffin, the Under Secretary for Research and Engineering, told the House Armed Services Committee April 17 he wants to make sure the Defense Department strikes the "appropriate balance between funding innovative, disruptive basic research likely to see long-term returns on investment and addressing near-term operational needs and military requirements," according to his written testimony. DoD now has two sets of modernization efforts underway, with one focused on missions and the other centered around technology, Griffin continued. The mission-focused modernization efforts are fully networked command, control and communications; space offense and defense; missile defense -- evolved midcourse and airborne [boost-phase intercept]; cybersecurity -- offense and defense; and nuclear modernization, according to his statement."



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## DAUAA JAX Chapter HELP Wanted Ads

We have some openings within the DAUAA Jax Chapter if you would like to consider helping us by serving in one of the following areas. If you do please contact [duane.mallicoat@dau.mil](mailto:duane.mallicoat@dau.mil) or [tony.conard@navy.mil](mailto:tony.conard@navy.mil).

### CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP DRIVE COORDINATOR

This position would be the lead to see where and when and how the chapter can do membership drives. Set up booths at Hot Topic Forums, booths at outside events where a concentration of military or government employees might be attending. Advertise these events via the newsletter and web site. We will provide the table, banners and flyer material.

### CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS COORDINATOR

This position contacts local businesses (those who give military discounts would be a great place to start and we have lists for Duval and Clay County) and see if they also would be willing to award the same discounts now given to military to any DAUAA Jax Chapter Member. Then advertise these businesses on a membership benefit page on our chapter website.

### CHAPTER LUNCH AND LEARN AND HTF TRAINING LEAD

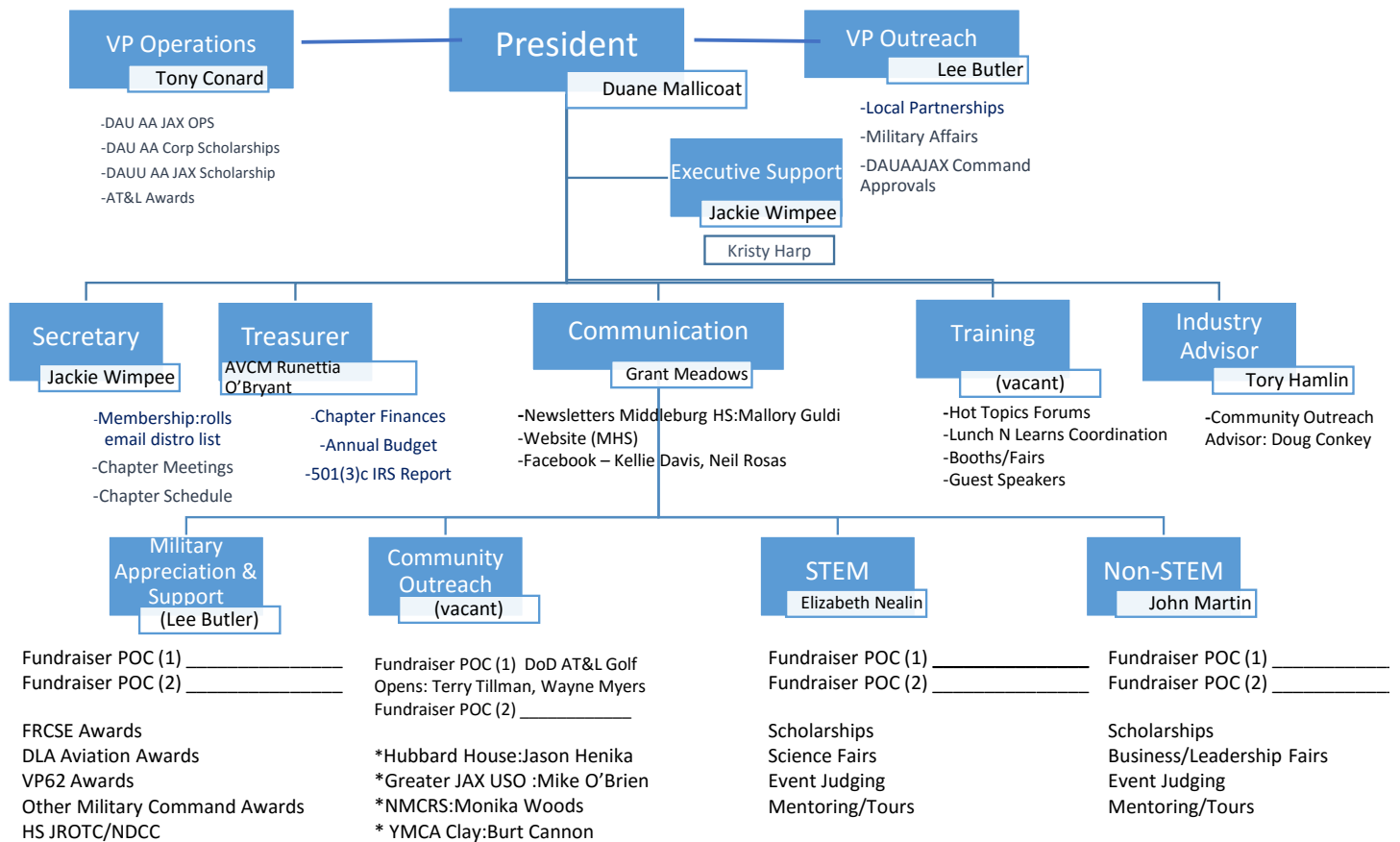
This position coordinated the distribution on information and scheduling for the quarterly Lunch and Learn Training Schedules with the various commands training coordinators. Coordinate the upcoming HTF events (date, time, and location) for all the Corporate DAUAA HTF (usually 4-5 a year) PLUS coordinate with commands leadership about local HTF they would like us to organize and put on to support their training initiatives.

### HELP WITH SUPPORT FOR USO GREATER JAX, NMCRS JAX, OR HUBBARD HOUSE

This position is on the look for people who would be willing to help us support any one of our three Community Outreach Groups. Choices are Greater JACKSONVILLE USO, NMCRS JACKSONVILLE, or Hubbard House JACKSONVILLE. Plan would be that you would focus your efforts to a specific group and provide as much time as you have available. We will be building Community Group Pages on our chapter website so you can populate with what is going on and how we are helping. We are looking at 4-6 people for each group.



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