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## PWD Panama City joins FTSE

By Ken Blackett, business manager, PWC JAX

On October 1st, Commander Navy Installations (CNI) stood up, assuming responsibility Navy-wide for operation and administration of shore installation management functions. The intent of CNI is to create a single shore installation management (SIM) organization that will improve effectiveness and the SIM communities' ability to support the Fleet.



As part of the realignment of base operation support functions to CNI and alignment of operations in Panama City under

**PWD Panama City is located onboard Naval Support Activity (NSA) Panama City. Pictured above is one of NSAs main buildings (Bldg. 110). Forty-six employees recently joined FTSE as they are now PWC JAX - Panama City Detachment.**

Commander, Navy Region Southeast (CNRSE), public works functions associated with Navy Working Capital Fund (NWCF) activities will be realigned to the Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVAFAC) under its Public Works Centers (PWC). Creating a standard approach and funding alignment of these resources and functions will optimize facilities management performance across the Navy's shore installations. Studies are currently underway to determine if other non-NWCF Public Works Departments (PWD) will transfer to PWCs in the future.

As a result of CNI standup, Navy Public Works Center Jacksonville (PWC JAX) is establishing a Detachment in Panama City, Fla. With this, 46 employees performing public works support in Panama City joined Facilities Team Southeast (FTSE) at PWC JAX on October 19th. PWC JAX already employs a work force of eight naval officers and approximately 400 civilians. PWC JAX Commanding Officer Capt. Charlie Khan traveled to Panama City on October 29th to meet and welcome the entire Panama City team to FTSE.

Employees will have the opportunity to meet many of the FTSE management team in the next few months during this important transition. Capt. Khan thanked the employees in Panama City for their continued efforts to enable warfighter readiness in Panama City.

# From the Commanding Officer, PWC Pensacola

I am proud to have the opportunity to serve at PWC Pensacola, Navy Region Gulf Coast and as a member of Facilities Team Southeast. As I meet both military and civilian employees throughout the team, I am impressed by their sincere commitment to provide top quality public works and facilities engineering support for the Navy and Marine Corps Combat Team. I would like to share with you my guiding philosophy and expectations as we face the challenges ahead in advancing readiness ashore.



**PWC Pensacola  
Commanding Officer,  
Capt. Charles C. Miller III**

In performing our mission, we are guided by our **Navy Core Values of Honor, Courage and Commitment.**

**Safety is first and foremost.** Safety is an integral part of how we perform our work. We provide a safe and efficient work environment for our employees. We consistently apply operational risk management principles.

**Focus the team.** We provide best value public works and facilities engineering solutions by effectively leveraging the capabilities and resources of our facilities support teammates. We speak with One Facilities Engineer Voice.

**Accomplish the mission.** Our clients' ability to accomplish their mission defines our success. We are fully committed to provide top-quality products and services delivered on time at reasonable costs. The material condition and safety of the shore infrastructure are essential to our clients' ability to meet their operational requirements.

**Delight our clients.** We strive to become a respected and integral member of the Navy and Marine Corps team. We aggressively pursue alliances with our clients to improve our responsiveness and execution. We communicate effectively and openly to understand their current and future requirements. We enable client success.

**Improve our quality of service.** Our people are our most valuable asset. We focus on leadership and community management to shape a highly competent and client-focused work force. We recognize superior performance. We provide a quality work place for our employees.

## One Voice

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NAVFAC Hot Line: COM (202) 685-1833, DSN 325-1833  
Navy Sexual Harassment Advice Line: (800) 253-0931  
NAS JAX Police: (904) 542-2661  
Fire/Rescue: 911  
Employee Assistance Program: PWC JAX/Mayport/Charleston - (904) 296-9436 or (800) 327-9757, EFA SE/ROICC - (800) 677-5327, and PWC Pensacola - (866) 433-3277

## Update on employee benefits

### Health benefits open season

FEHB open season runs from November 10th through December 8th. Elections will be effective on January 11, 2004 and will be reflected on your Leave and Earnings Statement of January 30, 2004. For further information, contact Angela Young at 904-542-5128, ext. 2128 or visit <http://www.opm.gov/insure/health/index.asp>.

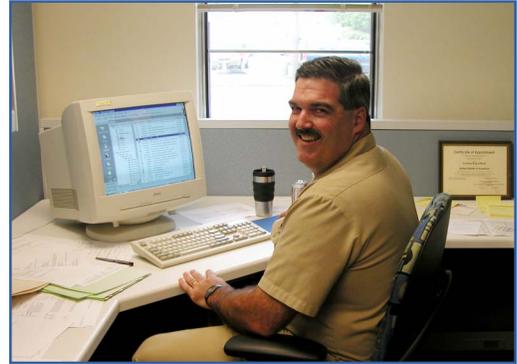
### CEAP change for PWC Pensacola

Please note that there is a new carrier for the PWC Pensacola area employees. The new CEAP provider is GHE HealthCare, Inc. PWC Pensacola employees can visit them at [www.federalsolutions.com/fisc](http://www.federalsolutions.com/fisc) or contact an EAP counselor by calling 1-866-443-3277.

## Teamwork is key in EFA SE year-end success

Teamwork is the key to success. We all work with each other on a daily basis. EFASE has recently seen just how important teamwork can be with assistance they received from NAVFAC Southern Division (SOUTHDIV).

Lt. Cmdr. Darren Sweet is normally assigned to the Capital Improvements Business Line, NETC South Texas Branch Head, at SOUTHDIV in Charleston, S.C. Recently, Sweet was asked to come TAD to EFA SE to fill in for a vacated contract specialist position in the Architect Engineer (A&E) Contracting section. He initially arrived on September 8th and was on board until October 3rd. During that time Sweet negotiated several modifications and new delivery orders, a total of 15 actions, to an existing A&E IDQ contract. While at EFA SE he also worked on resolution of an existing request for equitable adjustment on the A&E contract. Additionally, for a period Sweet acted as the Deputy Ops/ROICC Advocate monitoring the overall year-end execution. In this capacity, Sweet ensured the timely award of a critical year-end requirement for CNRSE, which was identified on September 15th.



Lt. Cmdr. Darren Sweet

## NAPA opens store onboard NWS Charleston

By Susan Piedmont, public affairs officer, NWS Charleston

A new NAPA Auto Parts Store which opened earlier this month in the Naval Weapons Station Transportation area is greatly increasing vehicle maintenance efficiency for the Station and its tenants. The store is located behind Bldg. 900 on Redbank Road.



Pictured from l to r: Attendees at the NAPA store ribbon cutting ceremony were Grant McGee, NAPA Division Vice President; Capt. Charlie Khan, CO PWC JAX and EFASE; Jerry Glass, Transportation Division Head, PWC JAX – Charleston Detachment; Capt. Robert Zalaskus, CO NWS Charleston; John Joneikis, Transportation Department Head, PWC JAX; and Cmdr. Emanuel Bautista, Public Works Officer, PWC JAX – Charleston Detachment.

“Less time is spent waiting for vehicle parts, decreasing vehicle down time, increasing productivity, and resulting in lower vehicle maintenance charges for Public Works Center (PWC) customers,” according to Cmdr. Manny Bautista, Station Public Works Officer. Considerable savings in parts should also be realized; other agencies have reported up to 10 percent savings in most parts.

Having auto parts on hand when they are needed is especially helpful in emergency situations. Using the NAPA store will also streamline invoice processing, ordering, tracking down parts and generating transaction reports for customers.

“The store is staffed with subject matter experts in automotive parts who can also provide parts research and troubleshooting information for mechanics looking for hard to find parts or unusual vehicle problems,” said Carter Hayes of the Station PWC. The NAPA store will have a fully integrated computer database linked to local and regional distribution centers.

NAPA was awarded this contract through Defense Logistics Agency competitive bid procurement.



Inside the NAPA store behind Building 900 onboard NWS Charleston.

## Knowing your client

By Lt. Jorge Cuadros, ROICC Mayport

When I took orders to EFASE in 2001, I was told I'd be working at Naval Station (NS) Mayport. I really didn't know much about Mayport, except for acquaintances that had been at NS Mayport before. With that, I set myself a goal to become more knowledgeable about my next duty station.

The first thing I did was find Mayport on a map and measure how far it was from all of the Orlando attractions. My kids liked the answer to that query. Next, I contacted EFASE and the ROICC. I quickly learned about all the great construction that was happening at NS Mayport. I was very motivated by that news. But like most moves, mine happened quickly and my research stopped short of what was going to become one of the biggest culture shocks I've ever experienced.

On my very first drive onto NS Mayport and as I made the necessary turns to get to the facilities building, I started to realize the importance of the base and, by default, the impact that our work has on the operational Navy. This is what I learned in the first few hours. Naval Station Mayport covers 3,400 acres along the Atlantic Ocean and St. Johns

River. With about 14,000 tenants from 70 commands, it is one of Jacksonville's largest employers. The approximate annual economic impact is \$1.1 billion.

The base is both a seaport and an airport. It has capabilities to berth up to 34 ships (including two aircraft carriers) and currently has 21 ships homeported. NS Mayport has a very good sample of the Navy's ship classes including guided missile cruisers (CG), destroyers (DD), guided missile destroyers (DDG), guided missile frigates (FFG) and the only aircraft carrier (CV) in the Southeastern states. There are five afloat command staffs, three of which are headed by flag officers.

The airfield has an 8,000 ft. runway that can handle all Department of Defense aircraft. Five active duty and one reserve Helicopter Anti-Submarine Light (HSL) squadrons use it on a daily basis. In addition, the Commander, Helicopter Anti-Submarine Light Wing Atlantic calls NS Mayport home.

The approximate plant value is \$852 million (Facilities \$710 million and Housing \$142 million). It consists of about 1,400 acres wetlands, 1 mile of beach, 4.5 miles of river/

Intracoastal Waterway shoreline, 757 buildings consisting of more than 3.9 million square feet, more than 1,400 family houses and more than 900 single Sailor bunks.

I said, "wow!" The comforting part of my culture shock is that I'm not alone. It happens to most people when they first get exposed to the station and its capabilities. Like me, after they get a tour of the base or receive the command brief, most newcomers say "wow!"

It is good to serve at NS Mayport. We have developed an important relationship with our clients. Knowing the client has truly developed our empathy for the warfighters and their families. We feel the importance of getting the jobs done right, safely, on time and within budget. We feel the anxiety of deployments and the excitement of homecomings. We learn something new from our clients everyday. Like the credit card commercial would show, new barracks for Sailors: \$13 million; new clinic for Sailors and families: \$16 million; unlogging a toilet: \$7.50 (self help and a plunger); KNOWING YOUR CLIENT: PRICELESS.

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## Electronic suggestion box established

By Gary Hauff, command evaluator, PWC JAX

In keeping with NAVFAC's "One Facilities Engineer Voice" and as another means of communication, FTSE now provides another avenue to submit anonymous suggestions and comments via an electronic "Suggestion Box." The Suggestion Box is located on the PWC JAX (<http://pwcjax.navy.mil>) and FTSE (<http://ftse.navy.mil>) web sites. Your input will be sent directly to the Command Evaluator for action. When submitting suggestions or comments, one should also include ideas and recommendations to resolve the issue/concern.

For more information on the new electronic suggestion box, contact Gary Hauff at 904-542-5040, ext. 2998 or DSN 942-5040, ext. 2998.

## Environmental partnership beneficial to Navy

Navy Public Works Center Jacksonville (PWC JAX) recently partnered with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) to meet the latest water quality discharge requirements for copper from the Naval Air Station Jacksonville (NAS JAX) wastewater treatment plant (WWTP).

In January 1999, the FDEP, in issuing the new PWC JAX wastewater discharge permit, lowered the wastewater effluent discharge limit for copper from 30 ug/l to 2.9 ug/l. The FDEP determined that higher concentrations of copper might hurt microorganisms that live in the river. Copper occurs naturally in water

as it leaches from the ground or into water while passing through copper water pipes.

The new discharge concentration appeared to be an unattainable goal that turned into an innovative environmental partnership focused on the

Navy's mission requirements. The FDEP agreed to let the Navy explore alternative methods to reach a solution acceptable to all parties.

Over the past several years, PWC



Naval Air Station Jacksonville is situated along the beautiful St. Johns River. (Photo by Dave Kiebler, environmental director, PWC JAX).

JAX explored four alternatives to lower the copper concentration in the wastewater. After exploration of three alternatives to control the copper limits, the PWC team came up with the winning solution.

A diffuser structure was located

at the end of the Navy's WWTP effluent discharge pipe in the St. Johns River. Instead of replacing the costly piece of equipment, the team determined that with the additional math-

ematical computer modeling with sequential State regulatory review and minor maintenance, the existing diffuser could attain the required copper mixing levels outlined in the new discharge permit limits. Thus, allowing the discharge of up to three million gallons per day. The Jacksonville District Office of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has subsequently approved the permitting required to dredge and clean the existing diffuser. This will allow

the use of the diffuser consistent with the original design.

Working together with the State government regulators saved the Navy over \$500,000 and provided a cost-effective solution to meeting the new regulatory requirements.

## Crusin' News from your Travelin' Crew

By Dawn Reed and Aggie Ricks, travel coordinators, PWC JAX

A friendly reminder, use the new electronic Travel mailbox for any and all questions pertaining to travel (TAD/PCS) and Government Travel Charge Card (i.e. travel claims, charge card accounts). Both travel coordinators have access to this mailbox and hope implementation of the new mailbox will help provide a better range of customer service. They can be reached by email at [travel@pwcjax.navy.mil](mailto:travel@pwcjax.navy.mil).

Keep in mind that travel orders will normally be ready for pick-up three business days prior to the requested travel date. If other pick up arrangements are needed, please state so on the travel request form.

Also, a newly revised Travel Request Form will be tested during the month of November. Hopefully, this new form will provide an easy and efficient electronic form for all to use by the end of November.

Thanks again and as always, safe traveling!!!!

## EBA hosts employee picnic at NAS JAX Sea King Park

FTSE Employee Benefit Association (EBA) held a picnic on October 16th at Sea King Park onboard NAS JAX. Employees were treated



It was a beautiful day for a picnic and a game or two of volleyball at Sea King Park.

to a southern style BBQ with sliced pork, BBQ chicken, potato salad, coleslaw, baked beans, garlic toast and a variety of homemade deserts. Several door prizes were handed out along with a contest for the best desert. Winners of the desert contest were Peggy Barnhart, first place; Diane Lancaster, second

place; and Lis'a Johnson, third place.

After lunch, several employees enjoyed the company of FTSE teammates from Jacksonville, Kings Bay and Mayport while playing a couple of games of volleyball.



Employees participated in the desert contest, which included several homemade deserts.



Employees enjoyed a southern BBQ lunch which was served by EBA members and managers.

## TSP open season

The Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) open season began October 15th and ends December 31st. During this time, employees covered by FERS may elect to contribute up to 14 percent and employees covered by CSRS may elect to contribute up to 9 percent of their basic pay they earn each pay period. Employees may also:

- Elect to enroll, change, or terminate biweekly TSP payroll contributions by going to the Employee Benefit Information System (EBIS) at the following address: <http://www.civilianbenefits.hroc.navy.mil/>.

- Invest in any of the five TSP investment funds. To view or change the investment of future contributions to your TSP account,

you must request a contribution allocation by going to the TSP Official web page at: <http://www.tsp.gov>.

- View or change the investment of money currently in your account; you must request an interfund transfer by going to the TSP Official web page at: <http://www.tsp.gov>.

- Access your TSP account balance, status of a TSP withdrawal, and TSP loan information log on to the TSP Official web page at: <http://www.tsp.gov>

Participants who are age 50 and older may elect to contribute up to \$3,000 in 2004. For additional information on the major features of the TSP, go to <http://hr.cnrse.navy.mil/> and click on TSP.

## Our deepest sympathy...

Our deepest condolences go out to the family and friends of Mike Helton who passed away Sunday, September 28th. Mike was a Navy veteran and worked as a construction representative at ROICC Kings Bay, Ga.

During the month of October, we also lost an extended FTSE teammate, Don Gillis. Don worked as a contract employee providing construction representative services at ROICC Mayport, Fla. Don brought many years of experience to the team as he was also a retired civil service employee from ROICC Mayport.

The command's thoughts and prayers go out to the families of both Mike Helton and Don Gillis.

## Roundtable discussions

*The following issues have been addressed and are available for review on the PWC JAX Intranet site.*

**Q1:** There has been an unforeseen work stoppage between Code 150 and Charleston because of NMCI. There is the possibility of it happening here at Jacksonville as well.

**A1:** We should plan for the possibility of down time when we change over to NMCI.

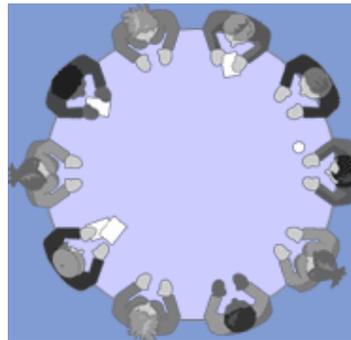
**Q2:** Jobs at ROICC are not being awarded timely (i.e., A/C in computer room B-902 needs to be on a monthly maintenance contract to have filters changed). The lines have frozen up twice. The job was put in October 2001 and has been awaiting award since December 2001.

**A2:** This action is part of a larger HVAC proposed change to the contract. We are currently waiting on the contractor's proposal for the proposed change. Once the contractor's proposal, which is late, is submitted we will issue the modification.

**Q3:** Jobs at engineering need to be completed, however, the clients

do not have any money in their "pot." There is nowhere to charge the money to, so I cannot do my work. Someone needs to be responsible for asking for money and ensuring that they pay.

**A3:** Code 400 assigns an architect or engineer to act as the Team Leader for each project. The Team Leader's responsibility is to ensure



that the Final Design meets the Client's requirements, is on schedule and is within budget. Sometimes during the course of the project's design, due to unforeseen circumstances or scope increase, the Team Leader determines that the design funds are insufficient to complete the

project. The Team Leader is then responsible to stop work on the project, discuss the project status with the supervisor, inform the Client why additional design funds are required and request the additional funds. If the Client cannot provide the additional design funds, then the project should be put on hold until the Client is able to fund the design.

**Q4:** Too many Priority 1 jobs in engineering.

**A4:** The comment states, "Too many Priority 1 jobs in engineering." It should read, "Priority 3, Emergency jobs." Maximo work order priorities are as follows: Priority 1 = Routine; Priority 2 = Urgent; and Priority 3 = Emergency. Projects in the Engineering Department are normally assigned on a "first in, first out" basis. The older projects are worked and completed prior to the newer projects. However, work orders are assigned a priority by the Client. The Engineering Department is required, based on Client priorities, to alter the "first in, first out" scheduling to accommodate the Client's needs.

## FTSE Employee Spotlight

**FTSE employee:** Denver Dauphin

**Position:** Transportation Branch Supervisor

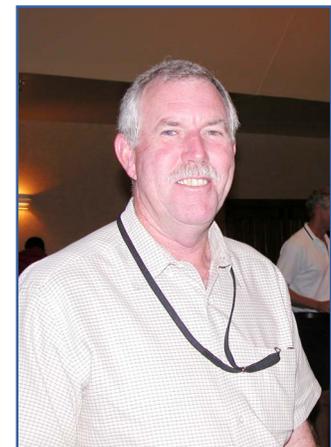
**Responsibilities:** Provide vehicle support, crane support and trucking support to Naval Support Activity Panama City and its tenants. We also administer the Weight Handling Equipment Program.

**Work location:** Code 700, PWC JAX – Panama City Detachment

**Hobbies/Interests:** I enjoy fresh water fishing, mostly for bream and shellcracker, but occasionally do some bass fishing. I am developing an interest in golf and play every chance I get.

**Favorite Music:** Soft Rock and Country

**Family:** Married, wife's name is Annette. I have one son and one daughter by previous marriage and 3 grandkids (2 girls and a boy).



Denver Dauphin,  
Transportation Branch  
Supervisor, PWC JAX -  
Panama City Detachment

# Preparing for NMCI

By Marie Dixon, project manager, Code 190, PWC JAX

The following checklist is provided to help the PWC JAX area users prepare for the upcoming NMCI cutover. For additional guidance, please continue working with your department NMCI representatives.

Before cutover:

- Read the Ready/Set/Go and NMCI Migration Tips documentation: This documentation is available for PWC at [https://intranet.pwcjax.navy.mil/intranet/NMCI/nmci\\_information.htm](https://intranet.pwcjax.navy.mil/intranet/NMCI/nmci_information.htm). Other FTSE members should contact their respective Information Resources Management Department for this information.
- Clean-up emails and files (on your workstation, “home” drive, and shared “common” network drives) which are no longer needed.
- Create and move data to MIGDATA\Userid folder per Set guide (see Tip Sheet referenced above).
- Create a list of Legacy Icons (applications that you use).
- Move favorites, .pst, .pab files to MIGDATA\Userid per Set guide.
- Attend NMCI Operational Readiness Training (TBD – JAX tentative dates are mid-November 2003).
- Ensure that you have a copy of your User Profile Report (which lists your seat items, legacy applications, and legacy peripherals). This will be provided to you separately.

## FTSE Departures

*It's always sad to see them go. Best wishes to those that have moved on.*

- Clifford Horn, civil engineer, PWC Pensacola
- William Stewart, budget analyst, PWC Pensacola
- Betty Hallo, accounting officer, PWC Pensacola
- John Brummett, environmental protection specialist, PWC JAX
- Timothy Starkweather, painter, PWC Pensacola
- Marsha Vareen, ROICC Jacksonville
- Thomas Tyron, ROICC Jacksonville



## CFC – people helping people

The 2003 Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) runs now through November 30th. This year's theme is “Here I Am, Here We Are.”

Last year, over \$240 million dollars was raised nationally. CFC was established in 1961 by President John F. Kennedy; thus, allowing one annual event for federal employees to donate to charitable organizations. Contributions are voluntary, but benefits are for all. Military and civilian employees are encouraged to give what they can and their participation is always appreciated.

Pledge forms are being distributed to all military and civilian employees. Remember, payroll deduction is available for any charity listed in the 2003 CFC catalog. Local, national, and international charitable organizations are listed in the catalog. Employees should review the catalog to ensure money donated is allocated to an organization that they would like to support. Donations that are not designated will be distributed to organizations that other employees have designated.

For more information, contact one of the CFC representatives listed below:

PWC Jacksonville, Chad Johnson – 904-542-3355, ext. 4427

PWC Jacksonville – Charleston Detachment, Lt. Mary Dickson – 843-764-7688, ext. 145

PWC Jacksonville – Panama City Detachment, Gloria Walters – 850-235-5425

PWC Pensacola, Wayne Boulanger – 850-452-4662

EFA SE/ROICCs, Lt. j.g. Danny Villafane – 904-542-5571, ext. 253

# Ethics – Use of Government Owned Vehicles

By Tom Kathe, PWC Jacksonville Counsel

This article will provide some guidance and clarification on ethics rules related to the use of a government owned vehicle (GOV) while an employee is in a travel status (away from the employee's duty station) on official business with travel orders.

You may ask, what are the rules relating to an employee who is issued and uses a GOV for official business while on duty to drive between NAS JAX and NS Mayport. Such work would not be on travel orders, because the employee is using the GOV during his normal duty hours/work on official business at his duty station. Use of the GOV between NAS JAX and NS Mayport is within the same commuting area of the two bases and does not constitute "travel status" away from the employee's duty station.

In this regard, 31 USC 1344 prohibits the use of a GOV between the residences of Federal personnel and various locations with only a few narrow exceptions (41 CFR 101-6.402), such as where the transportation is "essential for the safe and efficient performance of intelligence, counter-intelligence, protective services, and criminal law enforcement service." To utilize a GOV under such exceptions, written approval is required, which spells

out the terms of use of the GOV. However, none of these exceptions apply to PWC Jacksonville personnel driving a GOV between NAS JAX and NS Mayport. DOD 4500.36-R directs that GOVs issued civilian personnel/military are restricted for official purposes only and may not be used for transportation to, from, or between any location for the purpose of conducting personal business or other personal activities by military/civilian personnel, their family members or others. The DOD 4500.36-R prohibition includes any part of a route between the personnel's home and place of employment.

Any employee with an issued GOV that "willfully uses or authorizes the use" of a GOV or "otherwise violates section 1344 shall be suspended without pay" for at least "one month" or where circumstances warrant it "summarily removed," 31 USC 1349. Thus, given the penalties, it is recommend that all employees issued GOVs for use at and between NAS JAX and NS Mayport carefully observe these regulations. If you have more questions, please contact Tom Kathe, PWC Jacksonville Counsel at 904-542-5031, ext. 2004 or Mark Christopher, EFASE Counsel at 904-542-8745, ext.1126, DSN 942.

## Employees in the News

### EFA SE:

#### *Time off award:*

- Scott Hatcher
- Herminio David

#### *On-the-Spot award:*

- Sam Shelton
- Pam Smith
- Ralph Batten
- Vicki Hunter
- Angela Bushey

#### *Length of Service award:*

- Frank Janosick for 20 years of service
- Rudy Hellman for 20 years of service
- Rusty Dahms for 25 years of service

### PWC Pensacola:

#### *Craftsperson of the Quarter:*

Robert Davis Jr., maintenance worker, Code 552, was selected as the Navy Public Works Center Pensacola Craftsperson of the Quarter for the third quarter FY 2003. His rapid response, identification of the problem and expert repair diffused a potentially dangerous condition that threatened both personnel and Government property regarding the emergency repair to the gas leak at Building 3450. In addition, his ability to trouble shoot and rapidly identify the problem with the chiller at Building 3561 was instrumental in reestablishing cooling to the building. He was also instrumental in repairing the shaft on the air-handling unit at Building 3221. His desire for personal accomplishment and outstanding job performance are a credit to him, his supervisors, and the Navy Public Works Center.

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## PWC Pensacola, continued:

*Support Employee of the Quarter:* Jeff Banks, electrical engineer, Code 400, was selected as the Navy Public Works Center Pensacola Support Employee of the Quarter for the third quarter FY 2003. He constantly excelled in his duties as an electrical engineer in the Engineering Department. Banks consistently ensured success in his designs through his knowledge, experience and professional attitude toward each design solution. His assistance to the Engineering Department has been invaluable with timely and efficient design support and team oriented approaches as noted in his lead efforts with the restructuring of the \$1 million DFAS project in Building 603. He consistently provides quality engineering with attention to detail and customer priorities using extensive knowledge of and experience in Navy Public Works Center Pensacola to bring the issues to closure. He displays the true characteristics of customer mindedness that bring clients back to PWC Engineering as the preferred "provider of choice." His professionalism, positive attitude, and the confidence he inspires in other employees have earned him this well-deserved award.

## PWC JAX – Charleston Site:

*Letter of Appreciation:* William Leavins received a Letter of Appreciation for his exemplary performance of duties. Upon joining PWC in July 2002, he immediately set out to represent the command in a most positive manner. He established contact with the

Charleston Zone customers and acted as the point of contact for any customer complaints. He developed a customer survey that provided access for the entire customer base to address their concerns and degree of satisfaction with PWC's performance. Leavins also implemented a program to follow-up and resolve any complaints. As a result, the command has received nothing but positive feedback from its customers on Leavins' professionalism and dedication to quality.

### *On-the-Spot Award:*

- William Leavins

## PWC JAX:

### *On-the-Spot Award:*

- Gary Hauff, Code 00B
- Danny McMullen, Code 30A
- Teresa Culp, Code 121
- Thomas McNerney, Code 121
- Angela Young, Code 121
- Susan Brink, Code 121
- Frances Brown, Code 122
- Reynaldo Dominguez, Code 122
- Dawn Reed, Code 122
- Ellen Dickerson, Code 152
- Anthony Fox, Code 152
- Celestino Rivera, Code 152
- Michele Smith, Code 152
- Michelle Williams, Code 152
- Marie Dixon, Code 190
- Richard Peek, Code 190
- David Kiebler, Code 300
- Diana Shider, Code 320
- Bruce Reynolds, Code 330

- Kathy Busch, Code 350
- Bev Green, Code 350
- Melanie Irvin, Code 350
- Brian Delumeau, Code 400
- Stephen Zavoyiski, Code 400
- Thomas Surrency, Code 500
- David Kelly, Code 520
- Mary Caldwell, Code 521
- Gerald Caddy, Code 600
- Peggy Barnhart, Code 700
- Joseph Emerson, Code 700
- Douglas Hatcher, Code 700
- John Joneikis, Code 700
- Charles Jones, Code 700
- John Robey, Code 700
- Frank Rogers, Code 700
- Carol Welden, Code 700
- James Morgan, Code 920
- Jimmy Greene, Code 921
- Thomas Hartin, Code 921
- Gerald Holcomb, Code 921
- Timothy Moore, Code 921
- Catherine Proctor, Code 921
- Floyd Warren, Code 921
- Michele Edwards, Code 931
- Eric Ernest, Code 931
- Patrick Evans, Code 931
- Ronald Harback, Code 931
- Robert Kirkenmeier, Code 931

### *Length of Service Award:*

- Paul Price for 10 years of service
- Lisa Proverbs for 15 years of service

### *Special Act Award:*

- Milli Noel, Code 122
- John Joneikis, Code 700
- Katherine Washington, Code 152

## “Proud and delighted to return” – SECNAV England

### From Secretary of the Navy Public Affairs

WASHINGTON – Secretary of the Navy Gordon R. England released the following message: When I left our department in January, I said that I would “marvel at your achievements” and “gain strength from your example.” Over the last seven months, in Iraq and around the world, you have fought the enemies of freedom and prevailed. Your courage and hardened resolve is the shield Americans rely on for their security and way of life.

The success of the Navy Marine Corps team results from that daily dedication to America. It also results from the strong leadership of servants like President Bush, Secretary Rumsfeld and Hansford T. Johnson. H.T. guided our department through a significant battle in our global war on terrorism and through our continuing transformation. He and Linda deserve our deepest gratitude. With leaders like Adm. Clark, Gen. Hagee, MCPON Scott and Sgt. Maj. Estrada, our team is indeed blessed.

Dotty and I are pleased, proud and delighted to return to the Navy Marine Corps team. The success of our naval family is due to the quality of your work and depth of your devotion. We pledge our equal dedication to you and to your families.

In my confirmation hearing, I committed to strengthening our combat capability, improving your quality of service, recapitalizing our forces and improving business practices. Naval power 21 will continue to guide our transformation as we project persistent power, around the world and around the clock.

Working together, we will prevail in this global war on terror. Semper fi and sail proud.

- SECNAV Gordon R. England



Secretary of the Navy  
Gordon R. England

## ROICC Mayport employee of the month

By Lt. Jorge Cuadros, ROICC Mayport

Mr. Ralph Batten is ROICC Mayport’s Employee of the Month for September 2003. Batten is the ROICC Mayport’s Administrative Assistant. Don’t let the job title fool you. He is the core of the office. It was fifteen past midnight, October 1st and the Contract Specialists had passed out on their desks, not really. It was amazing to watch Batten at work. At this hour of the night, he had a stack of folders from recent awards on the right side of his desk and an even taller one on the left. He grabbed a folder from the right, input the pertinent information into FIS and stacked the folder on the left when he was done. His energy and sense of humor was the same when his workday began at six o’clock in the morning September 30th. That’s just the kind of person he is. He is an example of the kind of character that each member of the office possesses. But that is not the only reason Batten was selected as the employee of the month. During September, he kept the entire office in line. Batten was a major contributor for the ROICC’s success in minimizing interest penalties on contractor payments. When an invoice comes in, it belongs to Batten until it’s sent to DFAS. He is persistent in assuring invoices are processed promptly. Thanks for a job extremely well done!



Ralph Batten selected as the ROICC  
Mayport Employee of the Month for  
September 2003.

# JAX area CEC wardroom – General Military Training

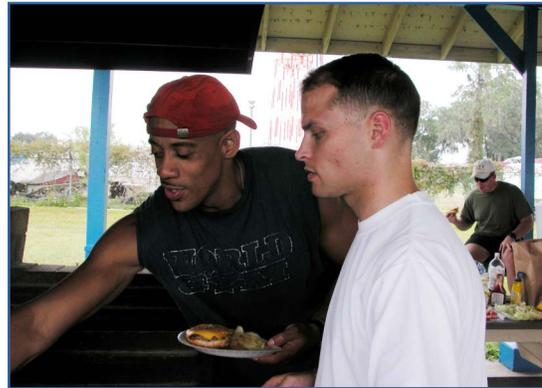
By Ensign Cort Stringham, ROICC Jacksonville



Members of the CEC wardroom enjoy lunch.

On October 3rd, the Officers In Charge from the local Construction Battalion Units, Lt. j.g. Chetelat and Lt. j.g. Hass, gave briefs on the Seabees involvement in Operation Iraqi Freedom. Chetelat shared his experiences as CBR Officer of the MEG and

Hass shared his experiences as PWO of Fleet Hospital 3. Afterwards, the entire group had a junior officer versus senior officer



Lt. Cmdr. Craig Prather (pictured on the left) catches a hot burger off the grill.



Ensign Cort Stringham tends to the grill during the GMT BBQ.

tournament of softball and Frisbee football. Unfortunately, the senior officers got winded and quit before the junior officers superior endurance guaranteed them a win. To refresh the parched throats and rumbling



Several JAX area CEC officers enjoy the cookout after softball and Frisbee football.

stomachs of these intense competitors, the day ended with a BBQ along side the NAS JAX Marina.

## National Energy Awareness Week

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world. Indeed it's the only thing that ever has. - Margaret Mead

If 300,000 Navy personnel turned off their office lights during the lunch hour (that's four fluorescent tubes off per person for 250 hours per year), then each year the Navy could save \$1.2 million and reduce emissions by 51.6 million pounds of nitrogen dioxide, 124.8 million pounds of sulfur dioxide, and 13.6 million pounds of carbon dioxide. Visit <http://energy.navy.mil/awareness> for more energy saving facts.

Navy Public Works Center Jacksonville (PWC JAX) energy professionals are continuously implementing energy saving projects region wide. Information on how you can help save energy was on display at various NAS JAX locations throughout Energy Awareness Week.



John Nixon, contract employee for PWC JAX Energy Department, discusses energy issues with a CNRSE employee while visiting an energy display set up at Building 919 on October 28th.