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What's Happening this year????

Scholarship Increase

Trade & Technical School Scholarships

\$1,000,000 in Scholarships Awarded

Our Mission

Our mission is to provide college scholarships to dependents of the Navy Aviation Community.

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East Coast Scholarship Recipients gather at the Awards Reception in Virginia Beach, VA. From left to right: Jack Bannon, Jessica Gardner, Gabrielle Broene, Sydney Powell, Regina Paparo, Hannah Litkowski, Sarah Hitchcock, Bruce Jackson, Anna Holmes, Collin Hortsman. Front—Grace Revenolt, Kristin Weyenberg, Gabrielle Rauch, Emily Baragar & Elizabeth Cady.



A Letter of Thanks– Sydney Catoire

I am writing to express my sincere appreciation to Wings Over America Scholarship Foundation for the financial support received for my undergraduate studies at Old Dominion University from 2011-2015. The academic scholarships I received from Wings Over America provided the additional financial support for school and fees that allowed me to work fewer hours during the school year, resulting in additional time to focus on academics. I graduated cum laude on May 9, 2015, with a dual-degree in marine biology and applied mathematics, finishing with a cumulative GPA of 3.59. As a result of the generosity of WOASF, I was also able to graduate from college debt free.

Since graduation, I have taken a one-year position as a Traveling Leadership Consultant for Zeta Tau Alpha Fraternity. In that position I will be visiting Zeta Tau Alpha chapters in colleges and universities across the United States, providing officer education, leadership development, chapter organization, supervision of membership recruitment, and providing assistance to new chapters.

Upon completion of my position as a Traveling Leadership Consultant, I plan to continue my education with a goal of completing a PhD in Marine Science. That goal has been made all the more reachable due to the support provided by Wings Over America.

Understanding first hand the importance of Wings Over America to the educational goals of military dependents, I have started the transition from being a recipient to being a donor beginning with my first contribution this month. I hope my future is such that I can not only repay Wings Over America for their belief in me, but can contribute to the education of numerous other military dependents like myself.

Again, thanks for all you do for military dependents.

Sincerely,
Sydney M. Catoire

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2015 Scholarship Recipients

High School Students

John Bannon
Virginia Beach, VA
VADM Richard "Sweetpea" Allen
University of Virginia

Emily Baragar
Virginia Beach, VA
CAPT Neil Kinnear
Florida International University

Gabrielle Broene
Virginia Beach, VA
Raytheon
University of Virginia

Mackenzie Cummings
Seattle, WA
Tri-Tec Manufacturing
Pomona College

Rand Duarte
Leonardtown, MD
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Stanford University

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Darnestown, MD
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Georgetown University

Jessica Gardner
Virginia Beach, VA
CMC Jeff Garber "Easy Day"
University of Central Florida

Christian Gomez
Flagstaff, AZ
WOASF
Northeastern University

Charles Hayden IV
Corpus Christi, TX
Lockheed Martin - Aero
Texas A&M University

Sarah Hitchcock
Virginia Beach, VA
First Command
University of Virginia

Collin Horstman
Chesapeake, VA
Volunteer of the Year -
Tricia Groothousen
Texas A&M University

Hannah Litkowski
Virginia Beach, VA
RADM & Mrs. Bud Jewett, USN (Ret.)
University of Virginia

Samantha Mann
Honolulu, HI
AIRPAC
Georgia Institute of Technology

Madeline Mattingly
Japan
WOASF
Pepperdine University

William O'Brien
Coronado, CA
Mrs. Donna Buss
Cal Poly

Brandt Potas
Leonardtown, MD
Rolls-Royce
University of Maryland College Park

Gabrielle Rauch
Virginia Beach, VA
VFA-15
University of Southern California

Grace Rovenolt
Chesapeake, VA
USAA
University of Virginia

Karli-Ann Sanders*
Newcomerstown, OH
Pratt & Whitney
Washington & Jefferson College

Nevin Sarao
San Diego, CA
Volunteer of the Year -
Billy & Maureen Hart
University of California, San Diego

Priscilla Tamborini
San Diego, CA
Hotline Construction
University of California, Los Angeles

Rachel Thomas
Portugal
AIRLANT
UC Berkeley

Taylor Ulrich
Leonardtown, MD
Lockheed Martin - Business Development
University of California, Los Angeles

Megan Wander
Lakeland, TN
WOASF
Clemson University

College Students
Kira Adsit*
San Diego, CA
Tomcat Sunset
UCLA

Abigail Baker
Norman, OK
Veteran's United
Penn State University

Elizabeth Cady*
Norfolk, VA
Boeing
University of Virginia

Chase Carroll
Pensacola, FL
USAA
University of West Florida

Kobe Copeland
Virginia Beach, VA
Lockheed Martin Center for Innovation
Virginia Tech

Caitlin Donegan*
Vienna, VA
Mike & Janet Malone
University of Virginia

This scholarship is such a blessing; each year reminds me just how lucky I am to have been chosen for it. I am honored to have been grouped with the caliber of students and hard workers chosen by Wings over America; your generosity has given me the gift of time and freedom to pursue my true passions at school. My mom and dad instilled the value of perseverance, hard work, and loyalty in me from their service in the Navy; I am so proud of their service to this country and thankful for the sacrifices they and all those who serve make for our freedom. **Kira Adsit, Senior, University of California, Los Angeles, four year renewable scholar.**



Erik Endacott*

Fallon, NV
WOASF
 Iowa State University

Erin Feddersen

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Samantha Gray

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 Princeton University

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Breiahna Moore

Bellevue, NE
J&A Racing
 Oklahoma City University

Danielle Morio*

Fredericksburg, VA
Pratt & Whitney
 Florida State University

Regina Paparo

Virginia Beach, VA
RADM Jack Godlewski
 Villanova University

Sydney Powell

Chesapeake, VA
LCDR Kieron "Tater" O'Connor
 The College of William & Mary

Caroline Sugg*

Virginia Beach, VA
Doug Williams/UBS
Universidad Antonio de Nebrija

Lauren Swanson

Virginia Beach, VA
Towne Bank
 Bucknell University

Kyanna Tamborini

San Diego, CA
VADM & Mrs. James Zortman, USN (Ret.)
 Hawaii Pacific University

Olivia Tedesco

Germany
VADM & Mrs. Michael Malone, USN (Ret.)
 Northeastern University

Molly Undersander*

Jacksonville, FL
Wings Over America
 University of Nebraska, Lincoln

Kristin Weyenberg

Virginia Beach, VA
Navy League of Hampton Roads
 Belmont University

Administered Scholarships**Daniel Richards**

Anacortes, WA
Maritime Patrol Association
 Pacific Lutheran University

Anna Holmes

Lexington Park, MD
Maritime Patrol Association
 York College of PA

Bruce Jackson

Lexington Park, MD
Maritime Patrol Association
 George Mason University

Nicole Muilenburg

Spotsylvania, VA
Maritime Patrol Association
 Christopher Newport University

Rachel Thomas

Portugal
Maritime Patrol Association
 UC Berkeley

Megan Wander

Lakeland, TN
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Madeline Mattingly

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Maritime Patrol Association
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Olivia Tedesco

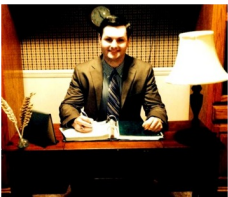
Germany
Maritime Patrol Association
 Northeastern University

Sarah Maxwell

Silverdale, WA
USS Nimitz
 University of Washington, Seattle

Charles Hayden IV

Corpus Christi, TX
USS Nimitz
 Texas A&M University



Highly favored were the words that came to my mind when I received my 2015 award letter from Wings Over America Scholarship Foundation. This scholarship foundation has been yet another blessing that God has bestowed on my life. By receiving this scholarship for the past four years, I have been able to accomplish more in my academics, work and life than I had ever thought to be possible. I am unbelievably grateful to this Foundation's members for believing in me and supporting me for the past four years.

Chase Carroll, Senior, University of West Florida, four year scholar.

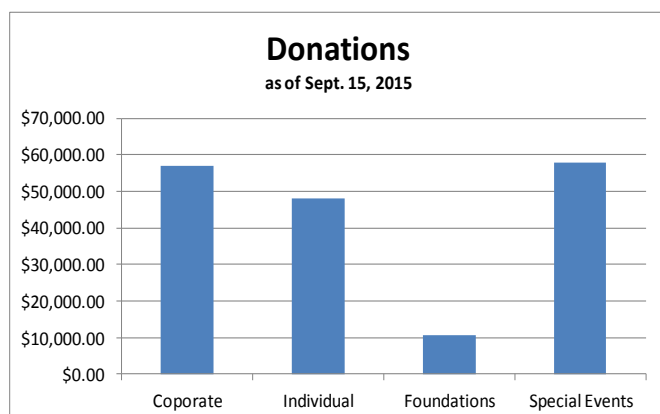
Giving at a Glance

It has been a great year for WOASF! We have given out more scholarships for more money than ever before, bringing our total giving to \$1,000,000 in WOASF Scholarships! None of that would have been possible without your financial support. Your generosity and participation in our events enabled us to award over \$140,000 in scholarships to 50 students this year.

One of our goals the past two years has been to increase individual giving, as studies show that 80% of charitable giving comes from individual donors. You can see from the chart below we are gaining ground (corporate donations used to outpace individuals 2:1), but obviously we are a long way from 80%. If you're currently a donor, thank you. Please help us, by spreading the word about WOASF, and the awesome service we provide to our dependents. If you are not currently a donor, please consider giving. A little or a lot, every penny counts when assisting students with the high cost of college. To make it even easier, you can become a recurring donor, pledging a certain amount per month that will automatically be charged to your credit card. If your employer participates in matching gifts for charitable contributions, we can take care of that automatically.

Next year, Spring 2016, we will once again raise the value of our scholarships to \$3000 per award. College tuition continues to rise so WOASF will increase its scholarships to try and mitigate these expenses for our students. Every dollar you give, makes a tremendous difference to our scholars.

Thank You!



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Volunteers of the Year

Tricia Groothousen

Our Volunteer of the Year is a special person to WOASF. Tricia began volunteering in 2000 when we were still Wings Over the Atlantic. Over the past 15 years, this wonderful volunteer has done every volunteer job we have. From reading scholarship applications, to stuffing goody bags for golf and getting to the course at “0 dark 30” for set up. She volunteered both days at the Shamrock Sportsfest, and along with one other volunteer, processed over 800 tickets for our Annual College Concert Series. She is a champion of Naval Aviation and even more importantly, a champion for the education of our dependents.



Billy & Maureen Hart

Billy and Maureen spearheaded our San Diego golf tournament this year. With a change in leadership on the West Coast, they stepped in and never missed a beat. Whether it was getting a sponsorship over cocktails, or pounding the pavement for golfers, this dynamic duo lead a great team of volunteers who executed a terrific tournament. But this isn't their first go around with volunteering for WOASF. Maureen has been a volunteer since 2003, serving as West Coast secretary and scholarship administrator. Billy has been a golf volunteer for several years as well as a supporter of our administered scholarship program.

In Memoriam...

ADM George E.R. “Gus” Kinnear II

WOASF was saddened to hear the of the passing of ADM George Kinnear, USN (Ret.) August 9, 2015. Many of you know ADM Kinnear as a great Naval Aviator, Commanding Officer, Scholar and University President. He had a long and prestigious career and will long be remembered in the annals of Navy history.

What some of you may not know about ADM Kinnear, is his enormous generosity to our Navy families. In 2002, he endowed a scholarship to WOASF in memory of his nephew, Naval Aviator, CAPT Neil Kinnear. This was the first endowment the foundation received and paved the way for subsequent endowments. We are forever grateful for the faith and vision ADM Kinnear had for WOASF and we're proud to be part of his legacy.

Scholarship Deadlines!

**WOASF has an on-line application,
available to our students 24/7.**

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October 1st—Pre-qualification opens

February 1st—Pre-qualification deadline

March 1st—Scholarship deadline

All Aviation Golf Tournament

In a joint effort, WOASF, Tailhook Ready Room 6, ANA—Hampton Roads, and Assoc. of Aviation Boatswain Mates hosted a fantastic golf tournament. Over 200 golfers took to the NAS Oceana Aeropines golf courses for a great day of golf. The weather even cooperated, and the rain held off until after the last golfer left the course. Our generous sponsors included: Newport News Shipbuilding, Pratt & Whitney, Lockheed Martin, UBS, First Command, Military Auto Source, GEICO, Boeing, Northrop Grumman, Rayco Supply, Dolphin International, Check 6, Hall Automotive, Cheralyn Whetstone Realty, Ausley Associates, USA Living, Beach Ford, Lendy's, Citrus, Triverus and Rock Bottom Golf. In addition to scores of door prize winners, team and individual winners included:

Hornet Course:

1st Place: Team Jerasa

Middle of the Pack: Team Howe

Longest Drive (men's) – Jack Lahren

Longest Drive (ladies') – Irene Anderson

Closest to the Pin – Rich Coleman

Tomcat Course

1st Place: Team Williams

Middle of the Pack: Team Snead

Dead Ass Last: Team Haylon

Longest Drive (men's) – Hormuz Boyce

Closest to the Pin – Smoke Morgan

Command Challenge winners—VFA-15 and AIRLANT, both commands bringing 5 foursomes to the tournament.

Our fabulous volunteers included: Jim Flaherty, Steve Laukaitis, Kristen Laukaitis, Susan Cloyd, Ann Mikeska, Char Haley, Mary Lewis, Judy Ready, Sonja Meyer, Liz Nosal, Matchje Lanzilotta, Lisa Miranda, Georgia Huber, Amy Baker, Tricia Groothousen, John Griffing and Ron Hoppock. Mark your calendars for our tournament next year, Friday, May 20, 2015!

**Don't Miss the
WOASF PAX River
Golf Tournament
Friday, Oct. 9, 2015
Shot-gun Start 9:00
am**



Save the Date

Saturday, January 23, 2016 7:00 pm

A "Friendly" A Cappella Sing-Off Competition
Live at the Sandler Center, Virginia Beach

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Letter from our President

Summer is ending and it is back to school time. In the Wings Over America office the same holds true. We are preparing to open the application website on October 1st. The deadline for pre-qualification isn't until February 1st, but getting a head start is always a good idea. March 1st is the final day to have applications complete, and that is less than six months from now!

I would like to congratulate our scholarship recipients from 2015. It was wonderful to be able to meet so many of them at the Awards Presentation sponsored by the Navy League of Hampton Roads at the Virginia Beach Westin. There were over 50 winners whose academic and extracurricular resumes impressed all of us (visit our website to read about each scholar). There is no doubt that they will continue to excel in the future, and we hope to hear some of their stories.

We are very pleased to welcome back to Wings Over America Scholarship Foundation Mike Malone, VADM (ret). Mike was most recently the Chairman of the Board and has graciously accepted our offer to be on our panel of Distinguished Advisors. We look forward to working with him again and are certain that his efforts will help to sustain our growth in contributions as well as awards. Thank you, Mike!

In 2015, WOASF reached the \$1,000,000 mark in scholarships paid out over the years. We are excited to announce that this year we will be increasing the amount of one year scholarships to \$3000. We are so appreciative of our corporate sponsors as well as the individual donors. Your contributions help us to continue to support our aviation families as we "invest in the best". That being said, for those of you in Hampton Roads, mark your calendars for the Basket Bonanza on November 13th as well as our College Concert on January 23rd. The Hullabahoos from the University of Virginia will be back once again, this time with the Virginia Tech Sensations. It will be a fun night of music by the two a cappella groups. We hope to see you at both events!

All the Best,
Char Haley
WOASF President



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CALENDAR NOTES

2015

OCT 1—Scholarship Application Opens
OCT 9—WOASF Golf Tournament, NAS PAX River, MD
NOV 13—WOASF Basket Bonanza, NAS Oceana, VA

2016

JAN 23—College Concert Series, Virginia Beach, VA
FEB 1—Pre-qualification Deadline
FEB 20—WOASF Golf Tournament, NAS North Island, CA
MAR 1—Scholarship Application Deadline

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