



## THE JOINT MILITARY LEADERSHIP CENTER NEWSLETTER

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### Our Newsletter

This Newsletter is directed to the state of Florida and regional ROTC Leadership, Department of Defense officials, National Defense University officials, U.S. Special Operations Command officials, U.S. Central Command officials, national and state Congressional leadership, USF Faculty & Staff, City of Tampa Officials, and friends and supporters of the Joint Military Leadership Center (JMLC), at the University of South Florida.

The purpose of this newsletter is to inform all interested parties of the Center's goals and objectives toward the creation of a learning environment that fosters a "joint culture" early in the educational process of future armed forces leaders (ROTC).

### Our Mission

To provide the student-cadets/midshipmen with unique Joint, Multinational, NGO's/PVO's/IO's and Interagency core competencies and skills in leadership development, global understanding, and military/national defense strategies. The "end state" will be an academically-structured, research-based, and values-driven program that educates, trains and prepares military Officers and Service Leaders for their leadership roles in the continuing transformation of our Armed Forces and in a dynamic and challenging global environment.

### Our Vision

A Premier "state of the art" Learning Center and Program of Excellence that educates, trains, and prepares future Armed Forces Officers to value, operate and conduct successful operations in a joint, multinational, interagency, and non-governmental organizations (NGO's) environment.



Meet our new Director for External Relations. El Ahlwardt will direct the advancement-related strategic communication activities, donor relations, alumni relations, public relations, community relations, military affairs, and private fundraising activities for the Center. El is a retired Navy Public Affairs Officer, and

directed the fund raising activities of a public foundation in Indianapolis for ten years, following his Navy career. He can be reached at 813-974-5499, or via email: Ahlwardt@jmslc.usf.edu.

### Performance Objectives

**Public Relations and Marketing**—To visit the local, state, and national community (military, civic, social, etc.) to reach out, tell them about the JMLC, network, and develop partnerships. To identify potential human resources to serve as coaches, teachers, and mentors for the cadets and midshipmen.

**Program Development & Curriculum Design**—To fully implement the various program requirements in order to establish relevance with the academic and military community. To communicate with the 3 ROTC Cadet Commands, in order to determine the feasibility of modifying the current pre-commissioning curriculum requirements. To encourage the development of "an international/global leadership studies" degree program.

**Construction Oversight**—To provide oversight with the University's Facilities Planning and Construction Department during the various phases of construction/remodeling.

**Organizational Development and Oversight**—To assess and develop the organizational structures that would best serve our constituents: the cadets, officer candidates, and midshipmen.

**Resource Acquisitions and Management** – To seek and secure the resources (fiscal, human, facilities, tools, information/knowledge, and environmental) required to set-up, operate, manage, sustain, and grow the Center and program.

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# Spring Semester Filled with Leadership Lectures



January 26, 2006

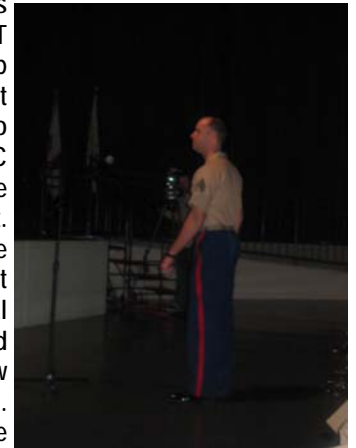
**Admiral John B. Nathman**  
**Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command,**  
**Commander, U.S. Atlantic Fleet**

Admiral John Nathman, Commander Fleet Forces Command, visited the University of South Florida as part of his visit to the city of Tampa for Tampa Navy Week on 26 January 2006. During his visit to USF, Admiral Nathman visited with the Commanding Officer of the Naval ROTC unit, CAPT Marty Smith, representatives of the Joint Military Leadership Center.



After a brief meeting, Admiral Nathman spoke about the Navy today, specifically Maritime Security Operations, to an audience of about 150 Naval, Air Force and Army ROTC students and staff as well as students and professors from the university's International and Government Studies Department. In Maritime Security Operations, ADM Nathman pointed out the key role the Navy has taken in conjunction with the Coast Guard to search, track and in some cases apprehend potential terrorists and illicit cargo. His presentation also highlighted the Navy's humanitarian effort and disaster response to New Orleans and the Gulf Coast in the wake of Hurricane Katrina.

Lastly he discussed the Navy's long term capital investments in future weapon systems including the Joint Strike Fighter and DD(X), the Navy's next generation destroyer. Admiral Nathman's ended his presentation with an engaging question and answer session with the enthusiastic audience.



Q & A with Admiral Nathman



February 23, 2006

**Major General Richard Y. Newton III**  
**Director of Plans and Policy**

In addition to providing an overview of the mission of the United States Strategic Command, Major General Newton also gave extensive insights into the J-5, Plans and Policy function which he oversees on the STRATCOM staff. Two prevalent themes were hammered home by the General: the ongoing and absolutely required joint interoperability amongst all Services in the Global War on

Terrorism, and the fact that our students are laying the foundation in ROTC that will enable them to be confident and capable leaders, regardless of where they are in their respective careers. He underscored the value and importance of Selfless Service to our Nation---'why we do what we do!' General Newton then engaged the students in a dynamic, up-close, wide-ranging question and answer session that covered many topics and enabled students to gain invaluable personal and professional perspective

on a military career that, for them, will begin while the Nation is already engaging an enemy on many levels, and in many locations, around the world.



Maj Gen Newton greeted by USF Air Force Cadets  
And COL Luis R. Visot of the JMLC.



Full House for Maj Gen Newton's Lecture

## Curriculum Development



On March 15, 2006, Dr. Gilroy, Director of Accession Policy, visited Dr. Sullins, USF's Dean of Undergraduate Studies USF to discuss curriculum development and faculty requirements for teaching the proposed National Security Studies course and the proposed National Military Studies course. In addition, Dr. Gilroy was able to meet with Colonel Ward and members of his staff (AFROTC) and Lieutenant Colonel Self (AROTC) to receive a briefing on current programs. In the discussions with Dr. Sullins, issues pertaining to curriculum timelines and products as well as funding and faculty acquisition alternatives were shared. Dr. Gilroy left the ROTC briefings with words of appreciation and support for the innovative manner in which the ROTC units work to bring a sense of "jointness" into their programs.

In support of the proposed Minor in National Security Studies and Certificate in National Military Studies, we continue to work with the National Defense University for development of courses and intend to soon be able to formalize the program requests that will be submitted to the Undergraduate Council for consideration.

What we've been up to...

## New JMLC Logo



**Much work went into the design of the JMLC Logo. Midshipman Andrew Smith, of the NROTC at Clearwater Christian College was the winner of the logo contest. His original design became the unique art work in the center of the logo.**



## Construction Update

Through a series of meetings with J. Kokolakis Contracting, Inc., Baker Barrios Architectural firm, USF Facilities Planning and Construction and the Joint Military Science Leadership Center, the following details have been decided:

The third floor design and construction were approved. A new construction schedule was developed resulting in the delay of the projected completion date. The project is anticipated to complete in September 2007.

Three Planning Design Workshops were conducted since the construction update in our Fall issue of this publication on 17 November, 22 November and 27 January. The Design/Build team briefed President Judy Genshaft on 1 December 2005 to get her guidance on changes and to get her approval to proceed with building exterior color scheme.

The Groundbreaking Ceremony will be held in 11 September 2006.

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## Cadets, Midshipmen, Cadre, Staff and Guests Enjoy Lunch After Maj Gen Newton Lectures



March 24, 2006  
**Rear Admiral Mark D. Harnitchek**  
**Supply Corps**  
**Vice Director for Logistics, Joint Staff**

Rear Admiral Harnitchek provided an exceptionally informative presentation on the synergy between the National Command Authority and the Joint Staff, and a deeper focus on the J-4 function for which he is the Vice Director. He also explained how the Joint Staff and nine Combatant Commanders work together, and well as the ways that the Geographic and Functional Combatant Commanders interface. By sharing an opening personal reflection about his collegiate days in ROTC at Penn State, and the lack of jointness at that time in that environment, and comparing it to those assembled before him, from the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard, the Admiral had the full attention of his audience as soon as he took the stage. Opening the floor for questions, topics went from the current and future capabilities of the United States to move equipment quickly and efficiently from CONUS to an overseas theater, to how best to engage collegiate professors and students who do not understand today's Military Culture.



**Rear Admiral Mark D. Harnitchek , Vice Director for Logistics, Joint Staff and COL Luis R. Visot of the JMLC.**

