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Chamber's Education Golf Tournament Supports Onslow County Schools

2018 Tournament Winners

National Automotive Group
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The Jacksonville•Onslow Chamber of Commerce's mission is to be the voice of business in collaborative partnership that work to build and enhance a healthy business climate and a vibrant quality of life.

The Jacksonville•Onslow Chamber of Commerce's vision is to be recognized as a model in building collaborative partnerships that encourage business growth and sustainable community development.

From the Battlefield to the Boardroom

Jeff Clark, President/CEO, Marine FCU

JACKSONVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA (June 27, 2018) How does one sum up a 41-year career of volunteering in a single article? Or honor a man who defined Esprit de Corps on and off the battlefield?

In May, John Eller stood among his fellow Marine FCU Board Members and tendered his resignation. It was time. As you read on, you'll understand why.

Eller earned the title of United States Marine after graduating from boot camp in 1949. His 31-year military career took him through several tours of duty. One in 1967 in particular became a part of history. Following a battlefield commission, 2nd Lieutenant Eller engaged in the Battle of Khe Sanh, leading 220 Marines from Echo Company, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marines in what became a legendary fight for control over a strategic area in Vietnam.

The following year, Eller was stationed back at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune in Jacksonville, North Carolina and became a member of Marine Federal Credit Union.

While still on active duty in 1977, Eller volunteered to serve on the Supervisory Committee at the credit union. After retiring from the Marine Corps in 1980, he was appointed a board member and went on to serve as the Chairman of the Board of Directors from 1981 to 2005.

Under his leadership, Marine FCU introduced Automatic Teller Machines (ATMs), checking accounts, credit cards, mortgages, and Touch Teller (24-hour telephonic account access) in the 80s. The 90s brought additional branches, ATMs, and money market accounts.

But that's not all. Eller found time to also serve on the boards of the National Association of Credit Union Chairmen and the North Carolina Credit Union League. In 1985 he was chosen as the Credit Union Volunteer of the Year in North Carolina. Then in 2002, Eller received the Mark of Excellence Award—the highest honor that can be presented to credit union people in North Carolina.

In 2005, he was recognized for his more than 25 years of faithful service and dedication to the credit union community with the National Association of Federal Credit Union's Quarter Century Honor Roll Award.

Current Chairman Marty Goldman said, "I don't know anyone more community service-oriented. I

have been involved with the credit union since 1990 and he (Eller) has more credit union knowledge in his little finger than I do in my whole body. It has been my honor and privilege to serve with him."

Now at age 86, Eller has slowed down just a bit. It's time, but he left his mark on Marine FCU. We take with us this lesson from him as we say goodbye:

"I have tried to surround myself with good men and women. I found these people in the Marine Corps, the credit union movement and Rotary. They believe in service above self ... making a difference in their communities. I have lived my life serving others."

You are the true meaning of Esprit de Corps. Oorah sir!



New Members

JUNE

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Member Renewals

JUNE

	Member Since
Bank of America - Country Club	9/12/1979
Dr. Ronald K. Lingle	12/8/2016
Gentiva Home Health	4/18/2000
Home2 Suites by Hilton	6/11/2012
Jacksonville Breakfast Rotary Club	6/21/1989
Marine Federal Credit Union	9/9/1979
Mobile Mini Inc	6/15/2016
Omni Financial	9/11/1997
Pepsi Cola / Minges Bottling Group	9/25/1979
Rogers and Company CPAs PA	11/1/1983
Southern Auto Parts	9/27/1979
Stillwater at Southbridge	6/2/2014
The N.C. Dept of Commerce Division of Workforce Solutions	3/1/1983
The Trophy Case of Jacksonville, Inc	7/11/1990
Tom Mattison Septic Inspection Service	7/15/2009
WITN-TV	11/8/1984
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.	12/18/2015



Ribbon Cuttings



June 6th

Onslow Memorial Hospital - 317 Bistro & Grill
317 Western Blvd. Jacksonville, NC 28546



June 14th

Philippians Place
901 Henderson Dr. Jacksonville, NC 28540



June 14th

McDonalds
305 S. Marine Blvd. Jacksonville, NC 28540



June 15th

Brow A Beauty Boutique
353-B Western Blvd. Jacksonville, NC 28546



June 19th

Floors Galore
754 Ramsey Rd. Jacksonville, NC 28546



Ribbon Cuttings



June 25th

Onslow County Partnership for Children 20th Anniversary
900 Dennis Rd. Jacksonville, NC 28546



June 27th

Skye Bar
624 New Bridge St Suite 300. Jacksonville, NC 28540



29th

Pregnancy Resource Center
3280-A Henderson Dr. Jacksonville, NC 28540



June 29th

Eastern Carolina Human Services Agency
237 New River Dr. Jacksonville, NC 28540



28th Annual Education Golf Tournament Benefits Onslow County Schools and Students

The Jacksonville Onslow Chamber of Commerce Education Golf Tournament was held June 1st at the Jacksonville Country Club. The first, second and third place winners split their winnings with a local school of their choice. 1st place is this year's tournament went to the National Automotive Group Foursome: Forrest Whaley, Mike Whaley, Adron Whaley & Trent Cloninger. They donated half their prize money to Richlands Primary School. The 2nd place winner was the Onslow County Schools Foursome: Rick Stout, Joey Mahouchick, Mike Ervin & Clay Sparks. Their school of choice was Newbridge Middle School. The 3rd place foursome was M&G Woodworks: Zack Davis, Ryan Sawyer, Gary Herbold & Ben Herbold. They donated half their winnings to Jacksonville High School. In addition to the donation to the various schools the Education Golf Tournament also funds our Salute to Excellence Program that recognizes a Teacher, Assistant Principal and Principal of the Year, the Sturgeon City Youth Leadership program and CTE Student Scholarships. This year's scholarship winners are shown below.

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Career and Technical Education students showcase internship presentations to receive scholarships from the Jacksonville Onslow Chamber of Commerce



These scholarship are made possible by the Chamber's Annual Education Golf Tournament. Congratulations to our first place winner, Nathan Shekey for his presentation on his internship at Naval Medical Center Camp Lejeune and our second place winner, Kayliana Hudson for her presentation on her internship at the Jacksonville Onslow Chamber of Commerce

Onslow County Government Center

234 NW Corridor Blvd
Jacksonville, NC

MISSION BBQ



11:30am



12:00pm

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Economic Indicators & Other Charts

How to read the Charts:
The Airport Passengers Chart, Tax Reports, Healthcare Stats and Utilities Connect and Disconnects are shown as monthly or quarterly comparisons on the specific rows. The totals shown at the bottom are the Year to Date totals for each year and does not include the numbers shown in Italics.

TAX REPORTS				
MONTHLY TAXABLE SALES: SOURCE: NC DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE				
OCCUPANCY TAX: SOURCE: ONSLOW COUNTY				
Monthly Report of Taxable Sales				
16-17	Taxable Sales	17-18	Taxable Sales	% Change
Jul-16	\$173,654,795	Jul-17	\$176,001,283	1.35%
Aug-16	\$171,787,640	Aug-17	\$175,923,030	2.41%
Sep-16	\$172,438,330	Sep-17	\$170,773,046	-0.97%
Oct-16	\$157,979,134	Oct-17	\$166,205,341	5.21%
Nov-16	\$149,558,400	Nov-17	\$158,839,850	6.21%
Dec-16	\$159,084,149	Dec-17	\$166,147,995	4.44%
Jan-17	\$188,820,250	Jan-18	\$190,951,446	1.13%
Feb-17	\$142,931,810	Feb-18	\$145,494,737	1.79%
Mar-17	\$152,227,168	Mar-18	\$157,865,496	3.7%
Apr-17	\$183,028,780	Apr-18	\$184,676,634	0.90%
May-17	\$167,072,441	May-18		%
Jun-17	\$163,332,351	Jun-18		%
YTD Total	\$1,651,510,456	YTD Total	\$1,692,878,858	2.5%
*YTD Total does not include numbers in <i>Italic</i>				

Occupancy Tax Report			
	<u>2016-2017</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>	%
July	\$402,706.74	\$391,718.29	-2.7%
August	\$284,130.83	\$345,186.90	17.6%
September	\$157,461.01	\$184,118.54	14.4%
October	\$120,219.03	\$123,496.32	2.6%
November	\$83,262.30	\$95,052.77	14.4%
December	\$64,805.58	\$69,491.16	6.7%
January	\$67,525.27	\$81,254.97	16.8%
February	\$71,982.00	\$85,695.58	16%
March	\$92,556.64	\$110,256.28	16%
April	\$110,117.39	\$120,142.13	8.3%
May	\$154,642.07	\$150,439.80	-2.7%
June	\$247,486.99		
Total:	\$1,609,408.86	\$1,756,852.74	8.4%
*YTD Total does not include numbers in <i>Italic</i>			

UTILITIES				
UTILITIES: SOURCES: CITY OF JACKSONVILLE & ONWASA				
City of Jacksonville & ONWASA Water				
	Connects		Disconnects	
	2017	2018	2017	2018
1st Qtr	4,753	4,953	3,193	3,821
2nd Qtr	5,185	3,521	3,194	3,217
3rd Qtr	5,311		4,713	
4th Qtr	4,284		4,077	
YTD Total	4,753	8,474	3,193	7,038
*YTD Total does not include numbers in <i>Italic</i>				

HEALTHCARE	
OMH ER: SOURCE: ONSLOW MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	
OMH BIRTH: SOURCE: ONSLOW MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	
NAVAL HOSPITAL ER: SOURCE: NAVAL HOSPITAL, CAMP LEJEUNE	
NAVAL HOSP BIRTHS: SOURCE: NAVAL HOSPITAL CAMP LEJEUNE	

Onslow Memorial Hospital Emergency Room Visits		
	2017	2018
1 st Quarter	15,609	15,280
2 nd Quarter	14,779	10,356
3 rd Quarter	15,124	
4 th Quarter	15,124	
YTD Total	15,609	25,636
Onslow Memorial Hospital Live Births		
	2017	2018
1 st Quarter	365	307
2 nd Quarter	325	219
3 rd Quarter	388	
4 th Quarter	358	
YTD Total	365	526
*YTD Total does not include numbers in <i>Italic</i>		

Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune Emergency Room Visits		
	2017	2018
1 st Quarter	13,326	13,134
2 nd Quarter	11,538	9,010
3 rd Quarter	13,686	
4 th Quarter	13,925	
YTD Total	13,326	22,144
Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune Live Births		
	2017	2018
1 st Quarter	514	480
2 nd Quarter	483	306
3 rd Quarter	542	
4 th Quarter	350	
YTD Total	514	786
*YTD Total does not include numbers in <i>Italic</i>		

TRANSPORTATION			
PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION: SOURCE: OUTS, JTS			
ONSLow NEW VECh SALES: SOURCE: ONSLOW COUNTY			
ALBERT ELLIS AIRPORT: SOURCE: ALBERT J ELLIS AIRPORT			
Public Transportation Riders - 2017-18			Onslow County New Vehicle Sales
System	May	Fiscal YTD	
Onslow United Transit System	7,858	82,447	
Jacksonville Transit System	10,235	109,901	
Military Express	1,194	13,299	
Total	19,287	205,647	
	FEB 18	MAR 18	
Cars	242	256	
Trucks	388	435	
Total	630	691	
			Year to Date
Cars	620	876	
Trucks	954	1,389	
Total	1,574	2,265	

Albert J Ellis Airport Total Passengers			
	2017	2018	% Change
January	22,039	19,905	-9.6%
February	22,607	21,064	-6.8%
March	25,629	27,481	6.7%
April	26,552	26,425	-0.5%
May	28,701	28,587	-0.4%
June	27,385		%
July	28,753		%
August	29,818		%
September	25,210		%
October	27,400		%
November	25,138		%
December	24,586		%
YTD Total	125,528	123,462	- 1.6%
*YTD Total does not include numbers in <i>Italic</i>			

HOUSING	
ONSLow ABSORPTION RATES: SOURCE: JACKSONVILLE NC MARKET CENTER	

Onslow County Absorption Rates 2018					
Information provided by Coldwell Banker Fountain Realty, William Sanders. As of 4/30/18, info obtained from the Jacksonville Board of Realtors MLS. These numbers do not include: REO, Short Sales, & Townhomes.					
Price of Home	# of Months	# Sold	Sales Rate Per Month	# Currently Active*	# of Month's Of Inventory
≤ \$150,000	5	435	87.00	212	2.44
\$150,001 - \$200,000	5	339	67.80	196	2.89
\$200,001 - \$250,000	5	156	31.20	118	3.78
\$251,001 - \$300,000	5	55	11.00	54	4.91
\$300,001 +	5	81	16.20	112	6.91
TOTAL		1066		692	
New Construction Price	# of Months	# Sold	Sales Rate Per Month	# Currently Active*	# of Month's Of Inventory
≤ \$150,000	5	5	1.00	7	7.00
\$150,001 - \$200,000	5	107	21.40	125	5.84
\$200,001 - \$250,000	5	132	26.40	95	3.60
\$251,001 - \$300,000	5	51	10.20	50	4.90
\$300,001 +	5	21	4.20	43	10.24
TOTAL		316		320	

BUSINESS STATS

COUNTY PERMITS: SOURCE: ONSLOW COUNTY

CITY PERMITS: SOURCE: CITY OF JACKSONVILLE

City of Jacksonville Building Permits

May 2018	#	Value
Residential	25	\$319,195
Commercial	47	\$683,454
Other	216	\$152,386
Total	268	\$1,155,035

County Building Permits

FY2017-18	Res BPs	Com BPs	Total Value
1st Qtr Totals	678	174	\$31,124,290
2nd Qtr Totals	697	123	\$40,257,582
3rd Qtr Totals	713	143	\$34,061,981
4th Qtr Totals	583	133	\$24,236,855
FY Totals	2,671	573	\$129,680,708

FY2018-19	Res BPs	Com BPs	Total Value
1st Qtr Totals			
2nd Qtr Totals			
3rd Qtr Totals			
4th Qtr Totals			
FY Totals			

CAMP LEJEUNE & MCAS

NR GOVERNMENT AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS (GER) CAMP LEJEUNE, NC.

**Camp Lejeune Area Active Duty
USN/USMC Statistics**

Location	10/15/2017	3/15/2018
Camp Lejeune	29,896	31,243
MARSOC	2,255	2,287
New River	6,454	6,535
TECOM Schools	4,748	4,800
Total	43,353	44,865
USMC Deployed Total	4,338	5,638



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**Unemployment rates from NC Works
- NC Dept of Commerce**

Area Name	Onslow County
Year	2018
Month	April
Labor Force	64,773
Employed	62,121
Unemployed	2,652
Unemployment Rates	4.1%

ONSLOW COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS

ASSUMED BUSINESS NAMES, DEATHS, BIRTHS AND MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES FOR THE PREVIOUS 3 YEARS. SOURCE: ONSLOW COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS

Register of Deeds

Assumed Names		Deaths	
2015	568	2015	786
2016	560	2016	812
2017	580	2017	804

Births		Marriages	
2015	3,718	2015	2,584
2016	3,519	2016	2,677
2017	3,535	2017	2,629

EDUCATION

SOURCE: ONSLOW COUNTY PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN

**Onslow County: Child Care Snapshot
April 2018** (State Regulated for children birth to 12)

License Type	# facilities	# slots	# enrolled	Capacity	# staff
NC 5 star	21	2,715	2,579	95%	403
NC 4 star	8	218	201	92%	28
NC 3 star	21	569	543	95%	82
NC 2 star	2	13	10	77%	2
NC 1 star	10	123	106	86%	16
NC Religious	6	504	466	92%	71
NC Temporary	2	207	194	94%	16
NC Provisional					
NC Probationary					
Totals	70	4,349	4,099	94.0%	618

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PREMIER OFFICE

Congratulations to our June Ambassador of the Month Lashea Cavers



Lashea not only volunteers for the many events and ribbon cutting ceremonies that the chamber orchestrates, but also hosts seminars for fellow chamber member's and the community. She stands out for her compassion, dedication, and inspiration. She has an incredible willingness to help and provides support whether it be in her words of knowledge and wisdom, or as a role model instilling positive changes in the community.

Keep up the amazing work!

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All About Leadership Jacksonville • Onslow

What is leadership Jacksonville.Onslow? Leadership Jacksonville.Onslow is designed to create a corps of informed and dedicated emerging leaders qualified to lead Jacksonville and Onslow County throughout the 21st Century.

The program will inform, challenge and otherwise educate the participants on the opportunities and needs of the community as well as the dynamics of social and economic changes. The program provides opportunities for networking with people from all areas of the community. Education will be provided for the skills necessary for volunteer community leadership positions. It will encourage the development of interpersonal relationships among the participants which will provide a common ground for working together on community projects. The program will further identify organizational and individual opportunities for community involvement and will encourage continued participation in these activities.

How are Participants Selected?

The class is open to 20 applicants. Members or those employed by members in good standing of the Jacksonville.Onslow Chamber of Commerce will be given first consideration. Participants must be approved by the Leadership Advisory Committee.

What is the Cost?

Program cost is \$625 for Chamber members and \$725 for

non-members. The tuition fee includes all course materials, lunch for each session, occasional breakfasts are provided, and transportation to and from Raleigh, and certificate. This price also includes a lifetime membership in the Leadership Association.

What is the Meeting Schedule?

Leadership Jacksonville.Onslow usually meets the second Thursday of each month beginning in August and continuing through May, unless otherwise specified. Most sessions will be from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., some sessions will vary. Additional meetings are necessary for the class project and graduation and will be determined by the class.

What Topics are covered?

Individual sessions focus on city, county, and state government, business and economic development, education, military, health care, and agriculture. The program also includes a session on the basic essentials of leadership and team building skills which promotes teamwork and critical thinking skills.

What are the Attendance Requirements?

Participants are expected to attend all sessions and participate in the class project. No more than two days can be missed in order to graduate. Attendance will be taken in the mornings and after lunch. Leaving early will

be counted as a half day's absence. This is not meant as a punitive measure but a participant will not receive the full benefit of the program if they do not attend the sessions. Missed sessions can be attended the next program year in order to graduate.

Are There Any Additional Requirements?

Participants are required to attend one Onslow County Board of Commissioner's meeting, one Jacksonville City Council meeting and one designated Governmental Affairs Committee meeting on their own time. Those who reside in other towns within Onslow County may receive credit for attending a town council meeting in their own town of residence. Participants are also to choose a committee/advisory board on which to serve in a shadow leadership capacity. The committee/board may be associated with government, chamber of commerce, or a community organization, but must be approved by the Leadership Advisory Committee. These committees usually meet once a month and the shadow should attend each meeting. As a group, the class must participate in a special project for the benefit of the community. The class will decide the specific project (with approval from the Leadership Advisory Committee) and coordinate all efforts. These additional requirements will take time in addition to the monthly meetings and must also be met to graduate.



Congratulations to the Leadership class 2018. Graduates and speakers from left to right: Sandra Janssen, Virginia March, Brenna Leger, Scott Smith, Amy Hoffman, Whitney Cantrell, Sheri Slater, Janet Bowen, Scott Prevatte, Erica Rogers, Dave Bradford, Jennifer Pearce, Michael Onifer, Clay Calhoun and Cindy Edwards.

Congratulations also to this class for a fantastic job completing the gardens at Philippians Place.

Applications are available for the 2018 – 2019 Leadership program. They are available on line, at the Commerce Center call 910-3473141 or contact operations@jacksonvilleonline.org

Leadership Jacksonville • Onslow Application Instructions

Selection Criteria

Leadership Jacksonville•Onslow is designed to create a corps of leaders dedicated to the betterment of the community through service. Participation is open to recognized and emerging leaders as well as those persons demonstrating leadership potential. The program seeks men and women who have achieved leadership positions within their field who are likely to be tapped for community service.

Participants will be chosen by the Advisory Committee of Leadership Jacksonville•Onslow, and are subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of the Jacksonville•Onslow Chamber of Commerce. The committee seeks representation from a cross section of the community – labor, business, education, government, community service, the arts, the professions, health care, religion, and ethnic and minority groups. Applicants associated with Chamber member businesses in good standing are given first consideration.

A class of approximately 20 individuals will be selected to participate in this year's class. Since the number of selections is limited, applicants who are not selected are encouraged to reapply in subsequent years. The program begins in August and ends in May.

Refer Questions to: Janet Bowen – ph. 347-3141 ext 224, Fax: 347-4705. Program fee which includes Association membership is \$625 for Chamber members and \$725 for non-members. Application deadline is July 20, 2018.

How to Complete the Application

Please make concise responses to each section.

Please complete each portion of the application.

Limit your answers to the space provided (supplemental materials will not be considered.).

Payment is due in full prior to the start of the program.

Mail, fax, email or deliver application to:

Jacksonville•Onslow Chamber of Commerce

Attention: Janet Bowen

Operations/Governmental Affairs

1099 Gum Branch Road

Jacksonville, NC 28540

operations@jacksonvilleonline.org



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LEADERSHIP APPLICATION

I. Personal Data

Name _____
Last First Middle

Nickname or preferred name _____

Length of area residence _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Business Address _____

Home Address _____

Business Phone _____ Home Phone _____

If married, name of spouse _____ No. of children _____

II. Employment

Present Employer/ Business Name _____

Date of Hire (If self-employed, date business began) _____

Present Title or position _____

Type of company or organization _____

Briefly describe your present responsibilities:

What do you consider your highest responsibility, skill, or career achievement to date

III. Business/Professional Activities

(Do not include civic organizations, public office, or political activities)

IV. Community Involvement

(Include community, civic, religious, political, social, athletic, or other activities)

Have you been as active in civic/professional/community activities as you would like to be, why or why not? _____

Chamber's Governmental Affairs Committee Speakers

Chris White, Airport Director, Albert J. Ellis Airport, Board Member NC Airport Association, Chair of the Legislative Affairs Committee was the May guest speaker.



Donna Hammonds, Chris White, Luke Woodruff and Laurette Leagon.

Joe Ramirez, Director Government and External Relations, Regional Readiness and Environmental Protection, Integration (REPI), Coordinator, Camp Lejeune and Marine Corps Air Station New River was the GAC guest speaker in June.



Ron Massey, Luke Woodruff, Joe Ramirez and Junie Christian.



In recognition of the achievements and contributions of this local minority business owner/leader,

I would like to nominate the following person for consideration for

2018 Fairfield Inn & Suites Minority Entrepreneur of the Year

or the

2018 Linda L. Richardson Minority Business Advocate of the Year

Eligibility Criteria	Former Award Recipients		
	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Advocate</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minority Owned: Women, African-Americans, Hispanic Americans, Native Americans, Asian Pacific Americans Subcontinent Asian Americans, and Disabled. Business Accomplishments Chamber of Commerce Involvement Community Service Other Memberships, Achievements & Awards Personal Information & Your Recommendation 	2007 Hank Thomas		
	2008 Pete Burgess	Jackie Barton	John Rouse
	2009 Jim Roddy	LaDonna McAllister	Linda Richardson
	2010 Anthony Harvey	Cindy Edwards	Anne Shaw
	2011 Hubert Saunders	Vel Chapman	Naomi Thompson
	2012	Deborah Georges	Mona Padrick
	2013	Adrienne James	Billy Sewell
	2014	Dr. Gina Francis	Junie Christian
	2015 Brennan Williams		Houston Shinal
	2016	Tiffany Choice	Mayor McKinley Smith
	2017	Katrina Carrington	Diana King Barnes

Check Appropriate Award Nomination (*Please use additional paper*)

____ **Minority Business Entrepreneur of the Year**

Nominee Information: _____ **Business Name:** _____

Share your thoughts why you chose this nominee.

____ **The Linda L. Richardson Minority Business Advocate of the Year**

Nominee Information: _____ **Business Name:** _____

Share your thoughts why you chose this nominee.

Nominator Information

Name _____ **Phone Number** _____

Business Name _____ **Email** _____

Email completed forms with attachment no later than Friday, July 27, 2018 to:

Lisa Murabito at MAC@jacksonvilleonline.org

Fish Fry

CHOW TIME!



Fish Fry Lady-in-Charge Lisa Murabito- Chamber's Military Affairs



Fry cookers extraordinaire: L to R: Ed Garriss, First National Bank; LtCol Steve Land, USMC (Ret); CAPT Stuart Miller, USN (Ret), Sherman & Miller, PA; Matt Ray, Ray Properties; Dr. Wesley Hambright, Jacksonville OB/GYN & Infertility; Steven Wangerin, Coastal Bank & Trust; Ricky Maready, JOEMC; Ron Sherrard, Sanders Ford



Clean up crew l-to-r Dr. Jeff Wilkie, Ron Massy, Glenn Spadling



MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The Committee's purpose is to maintain and continually improve the relationship between the military and civilian communities.

June's Service Member of the Month Sergeant Arthur M. Bain Jr.

Sgt Arthur M. Bain Jr. is distinguished as the Service Member of the Month (SMOM) for the month of June by the Jacksonville•Onslow Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee.

Sgt Bain was born in April 1996 in Queens, New York. He enlisted in the Marine Corps in April 2015. He attended recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, South Carolina. After graduating recruit training, he attended Marine Combat Training (MCT) at Camp Geiger, North Carolina. Following MCT he attended MOS school at Courthouse Bay, North Carolina, for Basic Combat Engineer (1371).

In December 2015, Sgt Bain received orders to 2d Combat Engineer Battalion, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina where he served as Combat Engineer for Bravo Company.

In July 2016, Sgt Bain received orders to Battalion Landing Team 3/6, 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), Camp Lejeune, North Carolina where he served as a Combat Engineer. He deployed to Syria in support of Operation Inherent Resolve.

In October 2016, Sgt Bain along with 24th MEU was activated in a humanitarian mission to aid Haiti after it was destroyed by Hurricane Matthew. While in Haiti serving as a team leader he helped loading food and water on to helicopters to resupply those in need of help in Haiti.

In February 2017, Sgt Bain deployed on the 24th MEU with Battalion Landing Team 3/6 on the Mesa Verde. In the first month, he went to Israel for training with the Israeli Defense Forces. Shortly after, he was sent to Camp Buehring, Kuwait to train for mounted and dismounted route and area clearance for a month. Sgt Bain was sent to Syria as a team leader in May 2017 providing route and area clearance as well as FOB fortification for BLT 3/6 until October 2017.

In March 2018, Sgt Bain received orders to become an Instructor for 2d CEB at Engineer Training Area 9 & 10. Sgt Bain is in charge of the Counter Improvised Device (CIED) class and practical application. He helps the Marines of 2d Marine Division improve in finding IEDs so they are better trained and knowledgeable for deployments.

In April 2018, Sgt Bain won the Meritorious Sergeant Board as well as the Non Commissioned Officer (NCO) of the quarter Board for 2d CEB.

Sgt Bain is described by his leadership as a Marine of extraordinary character. They state that his integrity is unquestionable and he holds himself accountable for the actions of his subordinates and remains patient and calm under stress. At the same time, he is supportive and compassionate teacher, leading his fellow Marines to feel comfortable in approaching him for assistance. They continue to say that Sgt Bain is a superior leader of Marines who exceeds all expectations of a Marine of his rank.

Congratulations to the Jacksonville Onslow Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee June Service Member of the Month, Sgt Arthur M. Bain Jr., USMC.



From the desk of Donna Hammonds



We are fortunate indeed to call Eastern North Carolina home!

Summer has officially arrived and the most wonderful time of the year is upon us. Vacationers have begun arriving daily to our coastal shores to spend cherished time with family and friends.

As residents we often don't take advantage of a staycation in our local area as if we were tourists. I'm tossing out a few suggestions and I challenge you to get out and discover something new about Onslow County. You'll be surprised at just how much there is to see and do in the place you live.

Outdoor recreation abounds in Onslow...paddle boarding, kayaking, fishing, boating, biking, hiking on area trails, horseback riding, sailing, and shelling just to name a few. When is the last time that you packed a lunch, drove to the North Topsail shore, set up your beach chair and simply gazed in awe at nature's amazing show, waves crashing against the shore? Wave watching is a recreational activity, and it's free...

Cruise Onslow... it doesn't involve driving 10 hours to reach your port. Onslow County has several options that I guarantee you'll love. The Bayonet, a private yacht charter promises a

relaxing experience on the water. Cruise along the New River and enjoy Captain Lance and his First Mate, Marilyn as they expertly provide the perfect setting for a truly memorable experience. Choose from a champagne brunch, lunch cruise, sunset retreat, a mini overnight getaway and more.

If you happen to be in town on a Friday evening, a fun and inexpensive thing to do in Jacksonville is a dinner cruise at the Marina Café. They run every Friday night from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

Hammocks Beach State Park, what a beautiful place! You can embark on a pontoon ferry ride to the park's crown jewel, Bear Island. What an amazing stretch of beach perfect for long walks, looking for shells, fishing or simply enjoying a good beach read.

Historic Swansboro has several cruising options: The Lady Swan sets sail daily for group and private tours. Swansboro by Sail offers a customized sailing experience for parties of six or less and Salt Marsh Cruises specializes in sunset and shelling cruises. A little Swansboro factoid, did you know that Swansboro is home to the oldest standing structure in Onslow County, the Olde Brick Store located downtown Swansboro on Front Street. Photography groups travel from miles around to capture its essence in the early mornings and

late evenings when the warm glow of the sun adorns its brick facing.

Onslow's museums and memorial gardens are a history lover's dream. Richlands is home to the Onslow County Museum. Their galleries offer visitors a glimpse of the County's rich history along with hosting many camps and special events for children during the summer. Swansboro's Heritage Center displays the area's maritime history dating back to the era of when Front Street was a river bank and mullet nets were cast from the shore. The Camp Lejeune Memorial Gardens is where residents, military members and visitors come to honor those who serve our country and remember those who have given the greatest sacrifice for our freedom. It is home to the Beirut Memorial, the Onslow Vietnam Veterans Memorial, Museum of the Maine Memorial, the Montford Point Marine Memorial, and 9/11 Memorial Beam from the World Trade Center. Lejeune Memorial Gardens is located at Montford Landing Road and Lejeune Boulevard, the gateway of downtown Jacksonville. At dusk the Vietnam Veterans Memorial beams with brilliant colors of red and blue in the cascading water fountain. The experience will leave you with chill bumps as this flowing tribute of patriotism and honor glows upon the wall of names that paid the ultimate sacrifice for our Country.

Oh, let's not forget dining! Onslow County offers a plethora of local dining options that will be a delight for everyone's taste buds. From authentic NC BBQ to fresh seafood at one of renowned waterfront restaurants where you can dine and appreciate the beautiful scenery, to well-known casual chains, fine dining, or something with an ethnic and international flair.

For more information and suggested options for discovering Onslow County visit OnlyInOnslow.com or contact the Tourism office at (910) 347-3141 ext. 222.

Enjoy your summer and have fun exploring!

Service Rewards

A community is only as good as the citizens that live and work within its borders. This month we celebrate the frontline employees that go the extra mile to make your visits an above average experience in Swansboro, Sneads Ferry, Richlands, and Jacksonville! The five individuals, representing five area businesses; have performed their duties with a positive outlook, a kind word, and valued information for our visitors and citizens - they went the extra mile! Onslow County Tourism and the Jacksonville•Onslow Chamber of Commerce want to thank them for their efforts and encourage you to do the same. Good service is good business!



Marissa White
Dollar Store (Western Blvd)



Capt. Matthew J. Littleton
Pogies/Friendly City Fishing Charters



Christina Fromke
Jacksonville Department of Public Safety/Passports



Melissa Reid
McDonald's, N. Marine Blvd.



Mallory Stewart
Shark Attack (Sneads Ferry)