



To the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen,

Thank you for your consideration and continued support, it means the world to me. Over the past four years at Virginia Tech I was able to accomplish various personal goals, thanks to your help. These include, but are not limited to: selection to the Dean's list 7 times, obtaining an overall GPA of 3.68, becoming a Sustainable Water Scholar, taking on various leadership roles in several organizations, embarking on

three life changing internships, and culminating in a B.S. in Water: Resources, Policy and Management. I could not have dreamt of having these experiences if it were not for the assistance of this great organization.

As I move into the next phase of my education at VCU, your investment will continue to drive my success. I plan on publishing a paper in the coming months from my work this summer at Oak Ridge National Labs. Then, I hope to graduate in the spring of 2019 with an M.S. in Biology, after developing a publication focusing on the dynamics of urban streams. From there, I plan to move into a full-time position, where I can apply my skill-set and work towards improving our aquatic environment(s).

Your investment in education is an investment in the future of our country. Therefore, I would like to personally thank each and every one of you for understanding the power of knowledge. I am eternally grateful and wish you all the best.

With the Utmost Respect,
Joe Famularo



Dear Mr. Garza and the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen,

I want to thank you for allowing me to be one of the recipients of this year's Huntington Ingalls Shipbuilding Newport News Awards. The money I received will give me the opportunity to pursue my goal of higher education. It will also facilitate my family and my financial burden for this coming school year. I am forever grateful to receive such a generous scholarship. I am excited

and eager to start my journey as a college student this year. I am going to be a freshman at the University of Arkansas where I am majoring in Computer Science. Upon completion of undergraduate study, I am going on to earn a Master's degree in Computer Science. My goal is to use my degree to become a software architect at

one of the best technology companies in the world. By receiving this scholarship, the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen have given me the opportunity to turn my dreams into reality. I want to once again thank you Mr. Garza and the rest of the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen Scholarship Committee for selecting me as a recipient of the Huntington Ingalls Shipbuilding Newport News Scholarship.

Sincerely,
Michael Panis



Dear Association of Aviation Ordnancemen,

Thank you for granting me the honor of receiving the 2017 Robert L. Crow Award. The aid of this scholarship will greatly help with continuing my education to better reach my career goals. The use of this scholarship will help afford much needed tuition, as I work towards completing my junior year at Virginia Commonwealth University. By the year 2019, I will have earned a Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Criminal Justice. I owe much of my educational accomplishments to the aid of the Robert L. Crow Scholarship and Association of Aviation Ordnancemen.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Marcella Burmeister



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I AM OFFICIALLY A GRADUATE OF GRAND CANYON UNIVERSITY!

In addition to earning a dual degree and a minor, I was a charter member of the Honors College and awarded summa cum laude for my academic achievements.

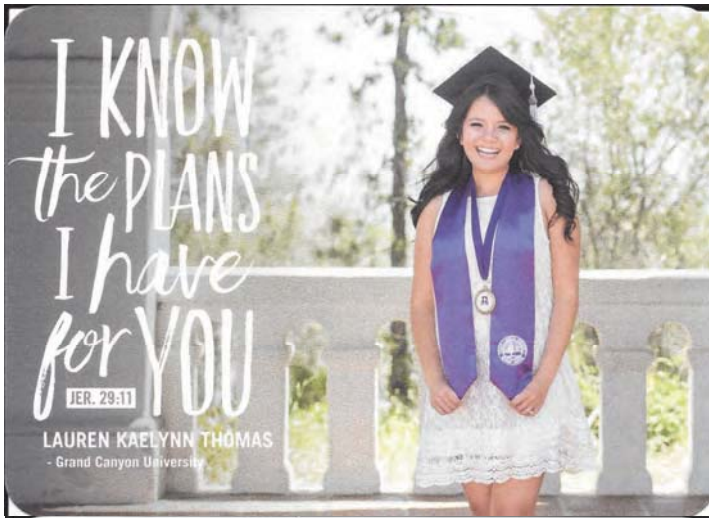
During my four years at college, I made sure to give back to our community by serving Habitat for Humanity, Feed My Starving Children, and local outreaches my university held to help families in need during the Christmas season.

On a fun note, I also was elected Homecoming Queen!

This was an honor for me, as nominations were only given by professors.

I want to THANK YOU again for being a part of making my college experience possible.

Kindest regards --- Lauren K. Thomas (recipient 2013, 2014, 2015)



Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education and Special Education, dual degree
Minor in Finance and Economics

*Lopes Up!

Lauren will begin her career as a 2nd Grade teacher in Peoria, Arizona. She has adopted the theme "Have Courage and Be Kind", so when the school had "Be Kind" as theirs, she knew it would be a perfect fit.

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Scholarship Recipients



Megan Williamson



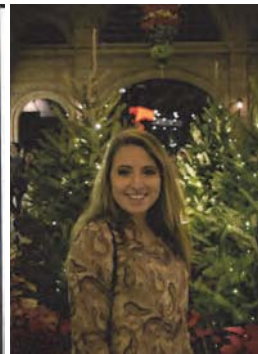
Mikayla Howorka



Morgan Bindshatel



Shelby Howard



Sydney Barba



Jordan Jakobs



Kimberly Zimmer



Linze Jakobs



Millington, 1981



Aviation Ordnanceman of the year
Runner up AO1 Jeremy Reed



AOY, AO1 Jordan Chapman, being presented the AOY plaque onboard the TR by VFA-22's CO Thomas T. Bodine

Aviation Ordnanceman of the year
AO1 Jordan Chapman



Re-enlistment, AO2 Grant Crews



AO Hall of Fame MGYSGT Marc A. Senecal USMC (Ret.)



AO Hall of Fame LT Allen E. Ten Eyck USN (Ret.)



AO Hall of Fame CDR Jeffrey L. McComb USN (Ret.)

Oscar "Roby" Robinson's Retirement

May 23, 2017 marked the end of an era in the Aviation Ordnance community. Mr. Oscar J. "Roby" Robinson retired after almost 50 years of service to this country. Roby wore the uniform of an Airman, Petty Officer, Chief Petty Officer, and commissioned LDO for 25 years; then wore a coat and tie for 25 more as a civil servant. Roby was embedded on the staff of Commander, Naval Air Forces Atlantic as PEO/W Carriers. He was the lead on design, planning and implementation for CVN Weapons Department spaces for all Nimitz Class CVN hulls from USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN 72) through Ford Class CVN USS GERLAD R. FORD (CVN 78).

In a ceremony held at Mobile Ordnance Training Team (MOTT) building, Naval Station Norfolk, Ordie One CAPT Bill Bindel, guest speaker, presented Mr. Robinson with the Navy Superior Civilian Award. The citation reads:

NAVY SUPERIOR CIVILIAN SERVICE AWARD

TO

MR. OSCAR J. ROBINSON

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

For extraordinary service while serving as aircraft carrier (CVN) Weapons Air/Ship Integration and Fleet Modernization Program Manager on the staff of Commander, Naval Air Force, Atlantic from December 1992 to May 2017. Mr. Robinson's superb leadership and technical prowess in the management of CVN Shipboard Weapons Installation/Integration and Material Programs resulted in 26 new weapons systems delivered on time and within budget providing warfighters with the newest lethal kill systems in the Navy arsenal. As Fleet Weapons Modernization Program Manager, his team designed and developed an improved Upper Stage Weapons Elevator for USS RONALD REAGAN (CVN 76) and USS GEORGE H W BUSH (CVN 77), which reduced ammunition transit times by 25 percent. His technical expertise was instrumental in the design and construction of all NIMITZ class CVN 03-level Airborne Electronics Counter Measures Complexes. Additionally, as Air/Ship Integration Team lead, his efforts contributed directly to the Integration of the F/A-18, MH-60 (Sierra and Romeo) and F-35 aircraft to the CVN platform. This award is the culmination of over 48 years of dedicated government service to the Navy and the defense of our Nation, and is testament to the enduring contributions and countless personal sacrifices he made to preserve the freedoms and liberties all Americans cherish. Mr. Robinson's distinctive accomplishments and impressive devotion to duty reflected credit upon himself and the Department of the Navy.

After Roby's retirement ceremony, the presiding officer, CAPT Alan Dean, officially renamed the MOTT building to the "Oscar Robinson Ordnance Training Facility." A plaque with several photos of Roby along with his military and civilian biographies will hang on the Quarter Deck for future redshirts to read about Roby's legacy. No words, awards, or even the building named in his honor could ever properly recognize the contributions Mr. Robinson accomplished in his 50 year tenure. Roby Robinson's contributions will affect Red Shirts for decades to come.

On behalf of past, present and future Red Shirts, we proudly say "THANK YOU MR. ROBINSON" for your many sacrifices and for making our community greater. As you begin a new chapter in your life on the farm in Maine, we wish you and the entire Robinson Family nothing but health and happiness. Fair Winds and Following Seas! Thank you for your service, your leadership and your friendship.

CDR Joe Thompson

