

16 May 2018:

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER:

SUBJECT: Underclassmen Awards

The Administration of Admiral Farragut Academy takes pleasure in announcing the following awards to be presented at the Awards Ceremony at 0845, Monday, 21 May 2018.

*Our first award will be presented by the Head of Upper School, Dr. Tom McGlenn.

- 1) **THE HEAD OF UPPER SCHOOL AWARD:** In recognition of the cadets who have embraced their high school experience, were involved in a variety of extracurricular activities and maintained strong academics:

- (1) Valentina Fornaro Galliano*

- (2) Diana Romanovskaya*

*Please welcome Commandant of Cadets, CDR Todd Wallingford to present our next two awards.

- 2) **THE MAJOR MEGAN McCLUNG SCHOLARSHIP**

AWARD: Presented to a female boarding cadet who exhibits honor, courage, commitment and leadership in the honor of Major Megan McClung, '91N:

- (1) Sara Oi*

*The next award will be presented by Jackie Kanner from Florida Holocaust Museum.

3) **THE ANNE FRANK HUMANITARIAN AWARD:** Awarded to Cadets in their Junior year who demonstrate humanitarian actions which better the lives of an individual or group and make a difference in their communities:

(1) *Evan Schlifstein*

*CDR Rick Schock, retired U.S. Navy, and our Director of Naval Science will present our next award:

4) **THE RESERVE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA AWARD:** Outstanding dedication to citizenship, knowledge of civic responsibility, military orientation, self-discipline and a sound work ethic:

(1) *Gianni Defelice*

*The next four awards will be presented by Lt. Col. Dave Mason, U.S. Army, Retired.

5) **SUNCOAST CHAPTER 014 KOREAN WAR VETERANS:** A certificate and medal in recognition of excellent leadership ability and outstanding achievements in JROTC:

(1) *Evan Schlifstein*

6) **THE AMERICAN VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II, KOREA AND VIETNAM:** A certificate and medal for leadership and academic achievement:

(1) *Steven Smiley.*

7) **THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE of FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS of FLORIDA AWARD:** For recognition of a cadet who has shown perseverance and hard work:

(1) *Scanlin Peyok*

8) **MILITARY ORDER OF THE PURPLE HEART:** Awarded for overall academic excellence, excellence in Naval Science and leadership excellence:

(1) *Evan Schlifstein*

*The next four awards will be presented by Mrs. Rebecca Bandy, JROTC Award Coordinator.

9) **THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF WOMEN DESCENDANTS OF THE ANCIENT AND HONORABLE ARTILLERY COMPANY GOOD CITIZENSHIP AWARD:** Presented by the oldest military organization in the New World, established in 1637 to the male cadet that shows excellent character as a member of society; and outstanding behavior in terms of the duties, obligations, and functions of a citizen:

(1) *Vladimir Poliak*

10) **DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN COLONISTS:** To the cadet who shows proficiency in academic subjects, ROTC activities, and Good Citizenship:

(1) *Valentina Fornaro Galliano*

11) **NATIONAL SOCIETY UNITED STATES DAUGHTERS**

OF 1812: A Bronze Medal presented to a junior in a JROTC program in a high school who has demonstrated qualities of academic excellence, leadership, military discipline, dependability, patriotism, and upright character in speech and habits, which exemplify the ideals upon which our nation was founded:

(1) Alexis Hernandez. Alexis is in Vero Beach competing in the state softball championship tournament. CDR Schock will ensure it is awarded to Alexis.

12) **THE ST PETERSBURG CHAPTER OF THE**

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION: For outstanding leadership, military bearing and excellence of character: *Maya Cooney. Maya, like Alexis Hernandez, is in Vero Beach with the softball team. Thank you again, Mrs. Bandy for being here to present the medal. CDR Schock will ensure it is awarded to Maya.*

*CDR Todd Wallingford will present our next award.

13) **COMMANDANT'S AWARD:** To the underclassman cadet for outstanding improvement in performance:

(1) Steven Emmet Senentz

*CDR Rick Schock will present our next three awards:

14) **THE DAEDALIAN NJROTC AWARD:** The order of the Daedalians is a fraternity of commissioned military pilots from all military services. It is named after the legendary figure, Daedalus, and was organized by World War I commissioned military pilots who sought to perpetuate the spirit of patriotism, love of country and those high ideals of self-sacrifice which place service to the nation above personal safety and position. This award is offered to encourage the development of these traits in junior ROTC cadets:

(1) *Alex Oi Moreno*

15) **STEVEN DECATUR SURFACE NAVY AWARD:** To the cadet who possesses a character reflecting the Navy's core values of Honor, Courage and Commitment, who demonstrates leadership potential and demonstrates an aptitude in NJROTC as evidenced by motivation, performance of duty and military bearing: CDR Schock will present.

(1) 10th-*Fernando Robalino*

(2) 11th-*Spencer Kirtland*

16) **NJROTC HONOR CADET:** To the cadet in each year group with the highest overall academic achievement for the 2017-2018 school year.

(1) CLASS OF 2019: *Evan Schlifstein*

(2) CLASS OF 2020: *Maya Cooney*

(3) CLASS OF 2021: *Ansley Fine*

*Joining CDR Schock to present our next two awards, Naval Science instructor, 1st Sgt. Mark Sanchez

17) NAVAL SCIENCE DISTINGUISHED CADET AWARD:

To the cadet with the highest combined average and scholastic standing in NJROTC, academics and military bearing:

- (1) Naval Science I: *Casey McKee*
- (2) Naval Science II: *Alexis Hernandez*
- (3) Naval Science III: *Valentina Galliano*

18) THE ADMIRAL FARRAGUT ACADEMY MOST IMPROVED EXHIBITION DRILL TEAM MEMBER:

- (1) *Gianni DeFelice*

*Ms. Yinping Rue will present our next awards.

19) **13TH ANNUAL FLORIDA CHINESE COMPETITION:**

The following students have received a certificate for their level and medal from the FCTA (Florida Chinese Teachers Association) for their achievement.

Chinese Level 1	Speaking	Reading & Writing
Nella Filipkova	Excellent	Excellent
Tobia Spinelli	Excellent	Excellent
Chinese Level 2	Speaking	Reading & Writing
Vanessa Amaya	Excellent	
Ansley Fine	Superior	Excellent
Kenneth Fisher	Excellent	
Hailey Gordon	Outstanding	
Maurice Leon	Excellent	
Mitchell Lewis	Excellent	
Brandon McClellan	Outstanding	Excellent
Avicenne Nasr	Excellent	

*Please welcome Matt Olesnevich, our Lower and Upper School assistant principal to present our final award.

20) **THE JOHN M. VANDERFORD AWARD:** To the outstanding underclass athlete in honor of a former Director of Admissions of Admiral Farragut Academy. A medal and his and her name engraved on a permanent plaque:

- (1) Female: *Jazmine Alderman*
- (2) Male: *Philip Henderson*

Congratulations to all our award winners today. This concludes the awards ceremony. We would like to thank all our honored guests for being a part of it.