









## THE Joint military Leader ship Center 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).

To provide the student-cadets/midshipmen with unique Joint, Multinational, NGO's/PVO's/IO's and Interagency core compe-

## **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 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, upclose, 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.

## **Curriculum Development**



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.

