

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA  
SESQUIQUADRICENTENNIAL

MAY FIRST

1562 ♣ 2012

*450 years of french history in*

*Florida*

# *Ring for Ribault*

Tuesday, May 1, 2012 at Noon

On May 1, 2012, Jacksonville will commemorate our Sesquiquadricentennial, the 450th anniversary of French Huguenot Captain Jean Ribault's arrival at the St. Johns River, which he named the River of May, and which we still reference today with the name "Mayport."

As part of the commemorative activities, we are inviting you to mark this historic occasion by participating in "Ring for Ribault" - a unified 45 second ship horn sounding and 4.5-minute church bell ringing on Tuesday, May 1, at noon, up the length of the entire St. Johns River and surrounding communities. Upload the name and details for your vessel or church at [www.Commemorate450.coj.net](http://www.Commemorate450.coj.net) and mark your calendars now!

Jacksonville Mayor Alvin Brown invites you to visit [www.Commemorate450.coj.net](http://www.Commemorate450.coj.net) to review and note the many commemorative activities taking place the days surrounding May 1. The site also provides a listing of historical resources and links to information pertaining to Ribault's arrival in 1562, to help inform and educate readers on our unique history.