



THE SEA CHANT

Contra Costa Council Navy League of the United States

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings to the members of the Contra Costa Council of the Navy League.

As we continue with our meetings "on hold" due to the Corona virus our Liaisons are doing their best to keep in touch with their respective units. Our men and women serving to protect us know we care!!! We are keeping up with our business and board meetings via ZOOM, and successfully.

Stay safe and stay in touch!!! Someday the Corona virus will be behind us and we will meet again. My special thanks to Jim Harbuck for notifying our USCG Vice Admiral, Linda Fagan, PACAREA of our cancellation of the annual USCG Birthday Dinner for this year.

Sincerely,

Frank Wallace
President

Thanks for all you do !!!

BRING ON NEW MEMBERS! Who do you know that would like to be a part of our mission as we go forward support our Sea Services?

OUR GOALS: Do not forget, even during these delicate times of COVID 19- we still respect our goals to our units: Educate our national leaders and our nation. Support the men and women of the sea services. We provide assistance to the ser services when needed and support our youth programs.

Please Visit the CCCNL website for a complete list of our Council Board Members and our Liaisons' activities with our units, and other events we sponsor:

<http://www.cccnl.org>

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UNITS WE SUPPORT

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• U.S. Coast Guard Station Vallejo •
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Station, Pleasant Hill, CA.

Just remembering the heroes we continue to support yesterday, today and always



A piece of History...

The Super Transport Ship

General W.P. Richardson, docked in New York, with veterans of the European war cheering on June 7, 1945. Many soldiers were veterans of the African campaign, Salerno , Anzio , Cassino and the winter warfare in Italy 's mountains. (9AP Photo/Tony Camerano)

Legislative Affairs Keeps going along to cover our efforts

Legislative Affairs report May 2020:

1. General: as previously reported, our legislative affairs outreach objectives for 2019-2020 have been met. There are no further outreach activities planned for the remainder of the year.
2. Voice to Congress email campaign: on 5/5/2020 I forwarded to our council membership a request for participation in the email campaign regarding Maritime Security Program mariner staffing affected by COVID-19. I will continue to monitor Voice to Congress participation requests, and forward to the membership accordingly.
3. Sea Service Awards/Congressional certificates: Congressman DeSaulnier's staff has prepared congressional certificates for our Sea Service awards recipients, but due to Contra Costa County's COVID-19 shelter-in-place public health order, those certificates have not been transferred to our Council. I have inquired of the Congressman's staff as to options for the transfer of those certificates, and will share with our Council's leadership any information I receive.
4. Freedom of the Seas, freedom at home: One of the stated objectives of the United States Navy and the Navy League of the United States is to maintain freedom of movement and activity in the maritime global commons, also known as "international waters" and "The Sea." Today there is more freedom of movement and activity in the South China Sea, for example, than there is in Contra Costa County. Freedom of the Sea is a notable and worthy objective, but that freedom is intended to serve a free people.

Very Respectfully,
 Bill Kinsey
 Vice President, Legislative Affairs
 Contra Costa Council
 Navy League of the United States

Donations We have Supported

Military Child Education Coalition	RADM Bob Day and wife Barbara coordinators
New Veterans Building, Naval Base	City of Concord Veterans Center Committee
USCG Valor Games	USCG is at the end of May, Alameda Council Sponsor's this athletic event for the Coasties!
Veterans Memorial Golf Tournament	Steve Cruikshank, Sponsor

NEW CHANGES IN DISTRICT 11, AND OUR PACAREA LEADERS:

VADM Linda Fagan has a new Deputy Commander -- RADM Peter Goutier, from Dist. 11.
 RADM Brian K. Penoyer takes command at DIST. 11, with Lt. Sam Ruby as new aide.

THE THINGS WE LOVE TO DO:**Sea Services Awards Dinner and Presentations****USCG Birthday DINNER****USN/USMC Birthday Dinner****BBQs for USCG stations****ANNUAL US COAST GUARD AWARDS LUNCHEON****FLEET WEEK****Chevron Veteran's Day Luncheon****Pearl Harbor Remembrance Dinner**

Our BBQ's are an annual event for some of our units, and we can still plan to honor these units in a special way during this time of distancing, and personal care. Hats off to Al and Jo Romine for hosting their units "Best of the Best" award from us and the Congressional Certificate. They also took goodies. Honoring awardee, BM2 Conner Herick, August 5, 2020 at Station Vallejo. Coodios to these Liaisons who serve their unit well for many years.



A Friday spent with Coast Guard Aids to Navigation Team San Francisco as they conducted their Change of Command where BMC Marcelino Ortiz was relieved by BMC Jason Satter. Captain Marie Byrd presided. Retirement congratulations to Chief Ortiz! Fair winds and following seas! Welcome aboard Chief Satter! We are pleased to have been able to keep you in our Sector San Francisco family!



OUR LIAISON, MARG BURNS TOOK CARE OF BUSINESS:

The Navy VQ3, Travis AFB. presenting our Sea Services Award to Brandon Clark, by LCDR Emilio Valdez.

Due to the cancellation of our annual *Sea Service Awards Dinner*, Navy League's awards were given to each Liaison to make sure their units received our awards. The Congressional Certificates from Congressman DeSaulnier's office is underway to be distributed to each unit's awardee. We always owe our gratitude to Mark DeSaulnier and Ryan Thomas Brown for supporting our units and our Congressional Briefings.

REPORT USCG Station RIO VISTA: Liaison, Lois Terrell, inter-acting with her unit and sharing this change and new update - A new Chief! We welcome BMC Mike Bennett. He is happy to be on board at this new assignment along with his wife, also with the USCG and is an EMT, Heidi Bennett serving as an HSI, and stationed at Petaluma. They have a 6 yrs. Boy, and a 7 yr. old girl. Holding off of the Navy League Award for ME2 Johan Minolta-Yepes at this time, until it can be declared as official business. They will look forward to Lois dropping off "Goodies" for them to enjoy until this restriction is passed.

NAVY LEAGUE OF THE UNITED STATES

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The Navy League was founded in 1902 with a clear, three-pronged mission: to support the members of the sea services and their families; to educate the American people and their elected leaders about the critical importance of sea power for their economic prosperity and national security; and to help build America's future through successful youth programs like the Naval Sea Cadet Corps. Whether you ever served in uniform or not, we invite you to join us today. Our mission: "Citizens in Support of the Sea Services reflects both our commitment and our broad appeal to everyone concerned with the support of our men and women in uniform. Join in supporting our men and women of the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and U.S. flag- Merchant Marine

Membership Alert: Members of the Navy League Contra Costa County Chapter will receive an automatic renewal notice from the Navy League of the U.S. on the renewal anniversary date. Members who wish to submit membership dues to the Contra Costa County chapter directly should note if payments are for new memberships or renewals



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NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

UPCOMING EVENTS

USCG Birthday Dinner, August – TBA

FLEET WEEK – October 9-11

USN and USMC Birthday Dinner, TBA

Pearl Harbor Remembrance Dinner, TBA