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San Diego Council

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President's Message

Tony Johnson

Hello Members! I hope you had a wonderful holiday season as you closed out 2019. I am excited for what's coming in 2020! We had RADM Timothy Weber, Commander, Navy Medicine West enlighten the council on the way forward in Navy Medicine, and how it will impact medical care here in San Diego as well as throughout the military. Next month's breakfast we will have Captain Timothy Slentz, United States Navy, Commanding Officer Naval Base Coronado as our guest speaker. This will be a great opportunity for attendees to learn more about the new special warfare-training complex.



After our January breakfast meeting, we had our annual officers and chairpersons elections conducted by the Board of Directors. I can report that all incumbent officers and chairpersons were re-elected to their roles. The officers and chairpersons are listed in this month's addition of the Blue and Gold as well as on the website. Additionally, Gene Pierce volunteered to become our Fundraising Chairperson; however, we are still looking for a new Youth Programs Chairperson. This is a great opportunity to have an impact in the development of our youth within our Sea Cadets, Junior Recruit Officer Training Corps and Naval Recruit Officer Training Corps programs. If anyone is interested in volunteering, please do not hesitate to contact me (President@navyleague-sd.com), Darnisha Hunter (dhunter@sandiego.gov) or Jay Lott (jay@navylegue-sd.com).

Ernie Belmares (our Sea Services Chair) has taken the program to another level! You can look forward to the council being more active in our efforts to support our maritime forces with award presentations, and collaborating with new organizations such as the San Diego Sockers and other local sports groups.

Judi Adams (our Membership Chair) has done a remarkable job in bringing in new community affiliates (local companies) to join the council which aligns with our charter of educating the community on what the men and women of the maritime forces are doing to keep us safe every day!

I am thrilled to report that the council is working to better optimize the way we communicate to you and the public. We are in the process of developing a completely new website that will enable us to interact more efficiently and effectively, including with our social media activity.

Just a reminder that The Enlisted Women of the Year luncheon will be on 31 March at Admiral Baker Clubhouse. This is a great event to recognize top enlisted women leaders from the Navy, Coast Guard and Marines from the San Diego county area. If anyone is interested in volunteering or supporting by sponsoring a table to please contact Phyllis Barber the event chair at vp@navyleague-sd.com Jay Lott at jay@navyleague-sd.com.

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Breakfast Meeting
February 7, 2020
7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
Admiral Baker Clubhouse

GUEST SPEAKER

CAPTAIN TIMOTHY J. SLENTZ
UNITED STATES NAVY, COMMANDING OFFICER
NAVAL BASE CORONADO

The raising of that flag on Suribachi means a Marine Corps for the next 500 years.

— James Forrestal, Secretary of the Navy 23 February 1945

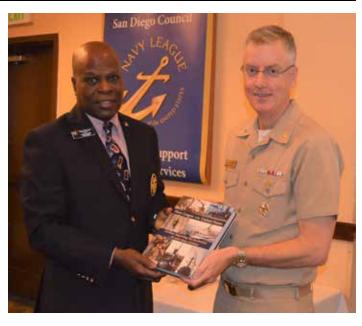
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RECOGNITIONS



Council President Tony Johnson presents Paul Socia Regional Director, Business Development, PenFed Credit Union, their Community Affiliate plaque.



Council President Tony Johnson presents RDML Tim Weber, Commander, Navy Medicine West/ Director, Medical Service Corps, a copy of the Navy League History book for being our January guest speaker.



(I-R) RDML Tim Weber, Commander, Navy Medicine West/ Director, Medical Service Corps; GySgt Phillip L. Sandifer, MCRD San Diego's Senior Drill Instructor of the Quarter; Sgt Zane Thomas, MCRD San Diego's Drill Instructor of the Quarter and Tony Johnson, Council President.



Council Member Juan Hidalgo Jr. presented Marine & Sailor of the Quarter awards to the quarterly winners for their professional excellence at MCRD San Diego.

Happy Valentine's Day!



Celebrate this Happy Day!

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President's Message

I am so proud of what we accomplished in 2019, and I am even more optimistic about what we will do in 2020. I ask all of you to be a part it this journey by volunteering when you have the time or giving monetarily when you can, or both. Let's all do our part to help this council excel!

Tony Johnson President



GOALS OF THE

San Diego Council, Navy League Of The United States



Educate national leaders and the nation.

Support the men and women of the sea services.

Provide assistance to sea service families.

Support youth programs.

Alexander Kreiglowa Navy & Marine Corps Dependents Education Foundation Scholarships



Administered by the San Diego Council, United States Navy League

Information coming to the website on the Alexander Kreiglowa Navy & Marine Corps Dependents Education Foundation Scholarship Application for 2020.

To be eligible for the scholarship you must be:

- Dependent child of an active duty, retired, or deceased Naval Service (USN or USMC) resident in the state of California,
- Graduating High School Senior in the top 10% of class, if school ranks, or have a 3.6 cumulative GPA or higher (unweighted grades),
- Provide evidence of acceptance for Fall 2020 by an accredited 4-year college or university in the United States

ON THIS DATE IN...

FEBRUARY

Feb 1, 1941 – United States Fleet reorganized, reviving the Atlantic and Pacific Fleets.

Feb 1, 1942 – USS *Enterprise* and *Yorktown* made the first WW II air strike, on the Japanese Marshall Islands.

Feb 4, 1959 – The keel laying of USS *Enterprise,* the first nuclear powered aircraft carrier, Newport News, VA.

Feb 5, 1854 – Dedication of the first chapel built on Navy property, Annapolis, MD.

Feb 14 - HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!!!

Feb 16, 1944 – Justo Gonzalez became the first Hispanic-American to make the rank of Chief Petty Officer in the U.S. Coast Guard.

Feb 17, 1942 – The first Construction Battalion (Seabees) arrive Bora Bora.

Feb 17 - PRESIDENT'S DAY!!!

Feb 19, 1941 – The Coast Guard Reserve is established.

Feb 19, 1945 – Marine Divisions stormed ashore at Iwo Jima.

Feb 20, 1962 – LtCol John Glenn, USMC becomes first American to orbit the Earth.

Feb 22, 1974 – LTJG Barbara Ann Allen becomes the first Navy designated female aviator.

Feb 23, 1945 – Four days after the initial landings on Iwo Jima, 5 Marines and 1 Navy Pharmacist Mate raised the flag on Mt. Suribachi.

Feb 24, 1987 – Coast Guard attorney LCDR Robert W. Bruce, Jr. became the first member of the armed forces to argue a case before the Supreme Court in uniform.

Feb 25, 1933 – USS *Ranger*, the first true aircraft carrier is commissioned.

Feb 26, 1811 – Congress authorizes the first naval hospital.

Feb 26, 1944 – Sue Sofia Dauser, Superintendent of the Navy's Nurse Corps is the first woman in the U.S. Navy to receive the rank of Captain.

Feb 28, 1991 – Operation Desert Storm ended when the cease-fire declared by President George Bush went into effect.

SEA CADET CORPS





Cadets from the Challenger Div & TS Columbia got a hands-on feel for the different aspects of Forensics this past drill. Cadets were invited by Prof. Tina Young from Grossmont College, along with some advanced forensic students, to participate in a variety of stations. Cadets looked at an assortment of items under different light sources and through yellow & orange colored glasses. They then donned protective outfits and explored bloodstain patterns by striking sheep blood with their choice of weapon. Cadets then analyzed the spatters and learned about directionality and how blood drops can aide in determining the origin.



Cadets learned about their fingerprints- how every person has unique fingerprints. They learned about arches, whirls and loops! Captain Graham Young, NCPD, taught the cadets about firearms. He showed different calibers of casings and bullets. The cadets also used rods and math to measure angles of entries and exits of bullet holes. The last station involved the cadets determining what they would collect, as a forensics tech, in a mock crime

The cadets ended the day learning about the dangers of drugs.



2020 Council Officers

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Chair Membership – Judi Adams Chair Sea Services – Ernest Belmares Chair Communications - Bob Berman Chair Scholarships - Suzie Johnson Chair Legislative Affairs - Melanie Lang Chair Fundraising - Gene Pierce Chair Welcome Home – Jay Rindler









June 9-16, 2020







International Frigate Working Group Meeting

POC Dave Grundies dgrundies@dueregard.com | Admiral Kidd Catering





2020 Eulisted Women of the Year March 31, 2020 Admiral Baker Clubhouse 11 a.m.—1:30 p.m.

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CAPTAIN TIMOTHY J. SLENTZ UNITED STATES NAVY COMMANDING OFFICER NAVAL BASE CORONADO

Captain Tim Slentz is a native of Dayton, Ohio, the birthplace of aviation, and is a 1993 graduate of the University of Notre Dame. He was designated a Naval Aviator in July 1996.

His seagoing assignments include service in Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron (VAW) 124, VAW-125, VAW-121, and Carrier Strike Group FOUR.

While serving as the Commanding Officer of VAW-121, the Bluetails earned both the Battle "E" and the RADM Fred Akers Award in recognition for being the premier VAW squadron in the Navy.

Captain Slentz's shore assignments have been at VAW-120; the United States Naval War College; Headquarters, United States Africa Command in Stuttgart, Germany; Navy Installations Command, as the Executive Assistant to the Commander; and Executive Officer of Naval Base Coronado.

He earned a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College, as well as a Master of Science in Management from Troy University. He also completed an Executive Certification in Business Administration from the Mendoza College of Business.

Captain Slentz was named the E-2C Hawkeye Pilot of the Year in both 2000 and 2003 and was honored with the



Naval Air Forces NAVY AND MARINE ASSOCIATION Leadership Award in 2005 and 2011. He is a graduate of the Executive Energy Leadership Institute program at the National Renewable Energy Laboratory in Golden, CO. In April, 2018, he completed the San Diego civic leadership program INFLUENCE.

Captain Slentz has accumulated over 4,300 flight hours and 440 carrier-arrested landings. He is a recipient of the Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Strike/Flight Air Medal, Navy Commendation Medal, and numerous unit commendations and awards.

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

2020 Supplement to the Maritime Policy Statement

The Navy League's Maritime Policy Committee has issued a supplement to the 2019-2020 Maritime Policy statement, based on the changing needs and direction for the Navy and Marine Corps. These changes are driven by the new leadership and the need for a more integrated and sustainable force. In June a change of command brought in the 38th Commandant of the Marine Corps Gen. David Berger, followed in September by the 32nd Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Michael Gilday.

According to the 2020 supplement, many of the assumptions for the future force laid out in the Navy and Marine Corps sections of the 2019-2020 Maritime Policy remain relevant. For example, the need for resilient command and control, electronic capabilities, long-range precision fires, air defense and enhanced maneuverability. However, the basis for force planning has undeniably shifted.

Force design is changing to integrate Navy and Marine Corps teams in order to accommodate the focus on sea control and denial. Navy and Marine Corp teams will no longer build forces concentrated around large capital ships and operating as separate forces. Although the planned number of Naval ships

By: Melanie Lang, Legislative Affairs

remains at 355, the focus is shifting to expand capabilities rather than numbers of ships.

The 38th Commandant's Planning Guidance Priority Focus Areas summarize this shift with the following priorities:

- 1. Force Design
- 2. Warfighting
- 3. Education and Training
- 4. Core Values

The brief 2020 Supplement is available here: https://www.navyleague.org/file/Maritime-Policy_2019-Supplement.pdf

If you have not reviewed the initial 2019-2020 Maritime Policy, please see the link to the full report below.

https://www.navyleague.org/file/programs/legislative-affairs/Maritime-Policy-2019-2020.pdf

Messages to Congress

Read the Maritime Policy Statement and follow up with a visit to Navy League's Voice to Congress Action Center at https://www.votervoice.net/NavyLeague/Home and message your Representatives about the top priorities for the Sea Services today. Thank you for your continued support!

Welcome Home

USS Abraham LINCOLN (CVN-72)
Carrier Strike Group 12
Carrier Air Wing 7









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Membership

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THE MONTHLY BREAKFAST DATES AT ADMIRAL
BAKER CLUBHOUSE ARE LISTED BELOW:

BREAKFAST DATES 7:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m.

February 7, 2020

March 6, 2020

April 3, 2020

May 1, 2020

may 1, 2020

June 5, 2020

July 10, 2020*

August 7, 2020

September 11, 2020*

October 2, 2020

November 6, 2020

December 4, 2020

** Denotes 2nd Friday of the month

NEW MEMBERS

Brian Allen

Jenny Audatte

Anthony Bracey

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Terry Heights

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Eddie Lovos

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Larry Thompkins

Michael Walton

Dimone Wiley

Laveshia Williams

Brian Smith

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Be a Navy League **Volunteer**

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