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ZOOM MEETING

Virtual Zoom Members Meeting

12 March 2021 | Noon

Guest Speaker -
Captain Troy A. Fendrick,
Commanding Officer,
USNS Miguel Keith (ESB-5)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



March is Women's History Month. In February 1980, President Jimmy Carter issued the first Presidential Proclamation declaring the week of March 8, 1980 as National Women's History Week. Subsequent Presidents continued to proclaim a National Women's History Week in March until 1987 when Congress passed Public Law 100-9, designating March as "Women's History month. In the past the council has held the Junior and Senior Enlisted Women of the Year, but this year and going forward we will be conducting a Junior and Senior Enlisted Sea Service of the Year award. This first event will happen in May of this year.

As a reminder we have Captain Troy A. Fendrick, Commanding Officer of the USNS Miguel Keith (ESB-5) Military Crew (Blue). Please join us for our first monthly meeting via Zoom on March 12, 2021 at noon by going to our website, www.navyleague-sd.com, to register and you will be sent the meeting login.

As members, volunteers, and officers of the council, we are here to ensure the council carries on the mission of the Navy League and we are immensely proud of the efforts of the small number of incredible individuals who are volunteering their time to make sure that this happens.

In order to support and host our events, we rely on donations and sponsorships. I ask that you consider making a donation to the council to assist us in keeping events strong. You can make your credit card donation through the San Diego Navy League website, www.navyleague-sd.com, or send a check to the office at 2115 Park Blvd. San Diego, CA 92101.

February was a good month as the council presented Marine/Sailor of the Year, Marine/Sailor of the Quarter Certificates of Appreciation to Marines and Sailors from MCAS Miramar, 3d Marine Aircraft Wing and Sailors at the San Diego Naval Medical Center. Congratulations to all of the awardees.

The Navy League of the United States has posted on their website the 2021-2022 Maritime Policy and if you would like to review it please [Click Here](#).

Be safe and well.

Phyllis Barber
President

The battle of Iwo Jima has been won. Among the Americans who served on Iwo, uncommon valor was a common virtue.

—Fleet Admiral
Chester W. Nimitz
Mar 17, 1945

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Our First Monthly Zoom Meeting | March 12, 2021 | Noon

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We are looking forward to meeting again!

ZOOM SPEAKER

Captain Troy A. Fendrick

An Arizona native, Captain Fendrick graduated from Arizona State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Justice Studies. He enlisted in the United States Navy in 1993 as a Radioman. He received his commission in 1997 from Officer Candidate School in Pensacola, Florida. He holds Masters Degrees from the University of San Diego in Global Leadership and the Naval War College in National Security and Strategic Studies. He was also a member of the Halsey Charlie Advanced Research Program for Integrated Air and Missile Defense.



At sea, he has served onboard USS JUNEAU (LPD 10), USS ESSEX (LHD 2) as Interior Communications Officer followed by a tour in USS ANTIETAM (CG 54) as Main Propulsion Assistant. His Department Head tours were served on USS SHILOH as Weapons Officer and USS CHANCELLORSVILLE as Combat Systems Officer. His Executive Officer tour was onboard USS CHOSIN (CG 65). As Commanding Officer he commanded USS CORONADO (LCS 4) and USS JACKSON (LCS 6) where his crew was awarded the Battle "E".

Ashore, his assignments include: Afloat Training Group Pacific as an Engineering Training Team Leader. He served on the staff of Commander U.S. Naval Forces Europe, Commander U.S. Naval Forces Africa, Commander U.S. SIXTH Fleet as the MCC TLAM DET OIC. He also served on the staff of Commander U.S. Naval Forces Central Command, Commander U.S. FIFTH Fleet as Current Operations Director and the staff of Commander Naval Surface Force U.S. Pacific Fleet as Assistant Chief of Staff for CRUDES Current Readiness and CG/DDG1000 Class Advocate.

He is currently the Commanding Officer for USNS MIGUEL KEITH (ESB-5) MILCREW (BLUE).

Captain Fendrick's decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal (five awards), Navy/Marine Corps Commendation Medal (three awards), the Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medal (four awards) and various other unit and campaign awards.

HISTORY SPOTLIGHT



Phyllis Mae Dailey (second from right)

We celebrate a pioneering woman in the medical industry, Phyllis Mae Dailey. On March 8, 1945, Phyllis Mae Dailey was inducted into the United States Navy Nurse Corps. Dailey was the first African

American sworn in as a Navy nurse on 8 March 1945, following changes in Navy recruitment and admittance procedures that had previously excluded black women from joining the Nurse Corps.

ON THIS DATE IN...

MARCH

Mar 1, 2003 - Administrative control of the Coast Guard transferred to the newly created Department of Homeland Security from the Department of Transportation.

Mar 2 - **HAPPY 154th BIRTHDAY CIVIL ENGINEER CORPS!!!**

Mar 3 - **HAPPY 150th BIRTHDAY NAVY MEDICAL CORPS!!!**

Mar 4, 1977 - ENS Janna Lambine, USCG, graduated from naval aviation training at NAS Whiting Field, Milton, FL becoming the Coast Guard's first female pilot.

Mar 5, 1942 - The name "Seabees" and insignia if officially authorized.

Mar 7, 1958 - Commissioning of USS *Grayback*, the first submarine built from the keel up with guided missile capability, to fire Regulus II missiles.

Mar 7, 1994 - Navy issues the first orders to women assigned aboard a combat ship, USS *Eisenhower*.

Mar 8, 1945 - Phyllis Daley becomes the first African-American Ensign in the Navy Nurse Corps.

Mar 8, 1965 - The 9th Marine Expeditionary Brigade landed at DaNang, Republic of Vietnam as the first U.S. ground combat troops to be committed to that conflict.

Mar 9, 1996 - The first "all-Coast Guard" Ceremonial Honor Guard Carried out a wreath laying at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery.

Mar 13, 1943 - The first group of 71 Women Marine Officer candidates arrived at the U. S. Midshipmen School (Women's Reserve) at Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley, MA.

Mar 16, 1945 - Iwo Jima is declared secure.

Mar 17, 1898 - USS *Holland*, the first practical submarine, is launched.

Mar 17, 1967 - Master Sergeant Barbara J. Dulinsky, the first woman Marine to report to Vietnam for duty began her tour.

Mar 19, 1917 - Navy Department authorizes enrollment of women in Naval Reserve with ratings of yeoman, radio electrician, or other essential ratings.

Mar 21, 1916 - Third Lieutenant Elmer Stone, USCG became the first Coast Guard officer ordered to flight training. He graduated March 22, 1917 becoming the Coast Guard's first Naval Aviator.

Mar 21, 1917 - Loretta Walsh becomes the first woman Navy Petty Officer when sworn in as Chief Yeoman.

Mar 29, 1975 - Evacuation of DaNang by sea began.

Mar 31, 1801 - LtCol Commandant William W. Burrows rode with President Thomas Jefferson to look for "a proper place to fix the Marine Barracks on." They chose a square in Southeast Washington, bounded by 8th and 9th streets and I streets, because it lay near the Navy Yard and was within easy marching distance of the Capital.

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Cadets and Officers from Challenger Div/TS Columbia continued their community service work at Chet F. Harritt Elementary School in Santee. Cadets were in charge of setting up several outdoor “classrooms” for students. Cadets moved huge tree stump rounds to create seating in several areas of the recently cleared creek bed area. Leaves were raked to make the space neat and inviting for Science class. The students will now be able to sit outdoors, socially distanced, and learn science through “hands-on” experiments and demonstrations.

The cadets worked as a team as they moved the heavy tree stump rounds. Having fun makes work seem like play. This is exactly what the cadets did. They created “targets” as they rolled the heavy stumps down a hill to the “classroom” area. Using teamwork to move the stumps in wheelbarrows or rolling the rounds from one end of the creek to the other, the cadets accomplished their task and had fun!

After lunch, the cadets played some team building- games. Tic-tac-toe was a huge hit as the opposing teams played at the same time trying to get their beanbags to make 3 in a row before the other team. The games became very competitive as the finals involved 2 undefeated teams. In the end, the girls were crowned the Tic-Tac-Toe Champs. Cadets also worked on giving orders while their partners were blindfolded. Cadets found it very challenging to navigate their partners through the “mine” field.

The USNSCC is continuing to provide training opportunities for program participants through virtually delivered content. We are hoping to have in-person trainings this summer.

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HISTORY SPOTLIGHT



Master Sergeant Barbara Dulinsky first enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1951. She requested to be sent to Vietnam. Dulinsky went on a 18 hour flight and arrived at Bien Hoa Air Force Base just 30 miles outside of Saigon. The next day when she arrived in Saigon, she was given a briefing on security concerns, recognizing boob traps, and checking cabs. When Dulinsky set foot in Vietnam on March 18, 1967, she became the first female Marine to serve in a combat zone.

Janna Lambine, born in 1951 to a retired Navy Commander. Janna applied for flight training while attending Officer Candidate School, and upon graduation (December 1975) she began her flight training in January 1976 and graduated from naval aviation training at Naval Air Station, Whiting Field in Milton, Florida. Janna received her wings at Naval Air Station Pensacola, Florida on March 4, 1977 as Coast Guard Aviator #1812 making her the first female aviator, the first female helicopter pilot, and the first female HH-3 helicopter pilot in the Coast Guard.





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