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Navy League of the United States | San Diego Council

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BREAKFAST MEETING NAVY HERITAGE

January 7, 2022
7:00 am - 8:30 am
Admiral Baker Clubhouse
Captain Henry S. Kim
Commander,
Amphibious Squadron
THREE (CPR3)

On January 13, 1967, Secretary of the Navy announced Master Chief Delbert D. Black as the first Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON). MCPON is the highest enlisted ranking position in the U.S.Navy and is the enlisted representative to the Chief of Naval Operations on problems associated with enlisted guidance, leadership and policy.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! 2022 is here and moving out fast! We will start off our year with another great breakfast on January 7th. We are fortunate to have another exceptional leader among our naval commands to speak about his organization and bring us closer to the challenges and missions they are tasked to execute. Captain Henry S. Kim, Commander, Amphibious Squadron THREE will be our guest speaker. Please make every effort to attend.



Last month I had the privilege to announce our Community Affiliate of the Year and our Navy Leaguer of the Year. Please congratulate Lockheed Martin as our Community Affiliate of the Year and the award was accepted by Al Worthy. Next announcement was our Navy Leaguer of the year and please congratulate Ernest Belmares. We also provided certificates of appreciation to the members of the Sea Service Committee for all of their hard work in 2021.

I would also like to welcome six new members to our Board of Directors who will take office this month and they are Marty Magana (Sea Service Chair), Tatjana Omanovic (Youth Program Chair), Tracy Owens (Director of STEP), Chris Catania (Guaranteed Rate), Sheri Arnold (Guaranteed Rate), and Pamela Ammerman. Look forward in working with all of you.

I want to personally thank Jay Lott who retired on December 31, 2021 after 16 years as the Executive Director of the San Diego Council for all his support and ensuring the council stayed on mission in taking care of our sea service personnel and their families. Fair Winds and Following Seas my friend.

Please welcome aboard Ernie Belmares as our new Executive Director and provide him your support as he takes on his new role. Welcome Aboard Ernie.

Just a reminder to our Board Members, after the breakfast on January 7th we will meet to vote in our new officers for 2022 and the Nominating Committee puts forth the following candidates for consideration:

- Ed Naranjo – President | Tracy Owens – Vice President
- Sheldon Margolis – Chief Financial Officer | Tamara Marks – Secretary

Look forward in seeing everyone at our January 7th breakfast.

Phyllis Barber

*“Life’s most
persistent
and urgent
question is,
“What are
you doing for
others?”*

—Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

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RECOGNITIONS



Council President Phyllis Barber presents the 2021 Community Affiliate of the Year award to Lockheed Martin's Senior Manager Government Affairs Representative; Al Worthy for his organization strong support and commitment towards the Council's Awards Recognition Program.



Council President Phyllis Barber presents the 2021 Navy Leaguer of the Year award to Ernie Belmares for his dedication and service in volunteering as Sea Service Committee Chairman, where he led his team in the Awards Recognition Program to Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard personnel in the San Diego Metro area and at our Morning Breakfast. His direct involvement significantly contributed to the establishment of the San Diego Council's Sea Service Member of the Year award, the fundraising of \$3k in support of USS Fitzgerald Sailors, the Award Recognition PODCAST and the addition of three new members to the Sea Service Committee.



Council President Phyllis Barber presents Certificates of Appreciation to the Sea Service Committee and USS Fitzgerald Alumni Committee for their dedication and service in volunteering in the Navy League's Award Recognition program in presenting awards at Navy and Marine Corps Installations, Reunion ship tour aboard USS Fitzgerald and serving as Selection Board Members for the Council's first Sea Service Member of the Year.



Council President Phyllis Barber presents Jay Lott, SgtMaj, USMC(Ret) a special recognition for his 16 years dedicated service to the Navy League San Diego Council as Executive Director. Jay served as a member on the Council's Advisory Board, where he led all operations, fundraising, functions and activities with the Board of Directors and Committee Chairs in giving the proper strategic direction and vision to meeting its organization's mission. Including, with the collaboration of Military Senior Officers, Senior Enlisted Leaders and Business Leaders in the community in support of the Council's Monthly Breakfast Meetings, Award Recognition Programs; Scholarship Applications; Ship/Squadron Homecomings and San Diego's Premier Region Navy Ball and Miramar Air Show. We wish Jay "Fair Winds & Following Seas".

Jay is relieved by Ernie Belmares, CMDCM, USN(Ret), who served on the Board of Directors and as Sea Service Committee Chairman during the past two years. Welcome Aboard Ernie!



Rosa Wilson, CMDCM, USN(Ret) is awarded Certificate of Appreciation for her dedicated service on the Sea Service Committee.



Sea Service Chair Ernie Belmares presented USS San Diego (LPD 22) Sailor of the Year Awards at the ship's Christmas Party at the Town and County Hotel in Mission Valley. Awards are sponsored by Club 22.



Senior Manager Government Affairs Representative; Al Worthy, CAPT, USN(Ret) presented Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron 23 "aka Wildcards" Sailor of the Quarter and Sailor of the Year Awards at the Navy League Breakfast Meeting. Awards sponsored by Lockheed Martin.



Matt Ruane, CMDCM, USN(Ret) is awarded Certificate of Appreciation for his dedicated service on the Sea Service Committee.

BREAKFAST SPEAKER

JANUARY 7TH

Captain Henry S. Kim
Commander, Amphibious Squadron THREE (CPR3)

A native of Los Angeles, California. He commissioned in 1996 from the University of California, Los Angeles Naval Reserves Officer Training Corps (NROTC) program with a bachelor's degree in international relations.

Specializing in East Asia, he gained fluency in Korean and Japanese. Capt. Kim holds a master's degree in operations research from the Naval Postgraduate School and a master's degree in defense systems and technology from the National University of Singapore.

At sea, he served as damage control assistant aboard USS Port Royal (CG 73); tactical action officer aboard USS Kitty Hawk (CV 63); chief engineer aboard USS Vandegrift (FFG 48); and as executive officer of Mine Counter-measures (MCM) Crew Constant.

He also served as commanding officer of USS Fort Worth (LCS 3) and Commander, Mine Division Twelve both in San Diego. Ashore, he served as aide de camp to Commander, Logistics Group Western Pacific; regional director for theater security cooperation in U.S. 5th Fleet; assistant executive officer to the deputy commander, U.S. Central Command; assistant chief of staff for analysis and experimentation at the "Top Gun" school for surface warfare; chief of staff for U.S. Naval Forces Korea; and federal executive fellow at Harvard Kennedy School.

His current assignment is Commander, Amphibious Squadron THREE. His awards include the Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, and various service and unit awards.



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 Support the men and women of the sea services.
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2022 MONTHLY BREAKFAST DATES
AT ADMIRAL BAKER CLUBHOUSE
7:00 A.M - 8:30 A.M

January 7, 2022
February 4, 2022
March 4, 2022
April 8, 2022
May 6, 2022
June 3, 2022
July 8, 2022
August 5, 2022
September 9, 2022
October 7, 2022
November 4, 2022
December 9, 2022

NEW MEMBERS

Douglas Sheppard
Lisa McKinnon Munde
Nilbert Ng
Ayanna Diaz
Tim Cart

* Life Members
@ New Community Affiliate

MEMBERS ANNIVERSARIES

Barbara Leetch
Life Member - 60 Yrs
Warren Savage
Life Member - 60 Yrs
Jimmie Sober
Life Member - 54 Yrs

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Communication Chair, Fundraising Chair and Membership Chair

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Screening Scholarships, Presenting Awards, Welcome Homecomings, Representative at AFCEA Conference, Miramar Air Show and Navy Ball setup.

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