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Navy League of the United States | San Diego Council

53-04 | April 2023

BREAKFAST EVENT

April 7, 2023

7:30 am - 9:00 am

Admiral Baker Clubhouse

GUEST SPEAKER;

CDR DAVID J. CATTERALL, USN

COMMANDING OFFICER,

USS FITZGERALD (DDG 62)

“Even when obstacles may seem overwhelming, the great leader will improvise, adapt, and overcome. These are the bow waves of what a Chief does, to create that endearing wake.”

—GMCM Delbert Black,
1st Master Chief Petty
Officer of the Navy

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NAVY HERITAGE

On April 1, 1893, President Benjamin Harrison signed General Order 409 in establishing the rank of Chief Petty Officer in the United States Navy. The first nine ratings (occupational specialties) as Chief Petty Officers were: Apothecary, Band Master, Boatswain's Mate, Carpenter's Mate, Gunner's Mate, Machinist's Mate, Master-At-Arms, Quartermaster, and Yeoman. Chief Petty Officer is the first Navy rank that comes with vastly expanded powers and responsibilities over those of that below it. In addition to their rating's duties, a Chief Petty Officer is responsible for training junior officers and leading their division of Sailors and Petty Officers. Today the Navy has expanded its Chief occupational specialties and its rank with Senior Chief and Master Chief. One thing that has not change, is Chiefs are recognized for exemplary technical expertise within their rating, superior administrative skills, and strong leadership ability. Most importantly, Chiefs bridge the gap between officers and enlisted personnel, acting as supervisors as well as advocates for their Sailors. 130 Years of Deck Plate Leadership.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings friends and family of the San Diego Council. Our monthly breakfast events continue to be our lifeline to networking with both our Sea Services and our Community Affiliates and Donors, and our March's Breakfast event was no different, as the Council received \$5k in donations from one of community affiliates, LC Embroidery, that will be applied to support our mission. We had the honor of having LCDR Corinne Sims, Commanding Officer, Construction Battalion Maintenance Unit 303 as our guest speaker and recognized her Seabees of the Year for superb performance. I would also like to thank our VP, Tracy Owens; Executive Director, Ernie Belmares; Board Members Dave Grundies and Jay Rindler for volunteering to attend February's 2023 AFCEA West Convention and promote the council's programs and connect with the various organizations and leaders in attendance. For our April breakfast event, we are very excited to have CDR David Catterall, Commanding Officer of USS FITZGERALD (DDG 62) as our guest speaker and we will also have the opportunity to recognize some of the outstanding Sailors of USS FITZGERALD. In addition, we will be celebrating the CPO Birthday and Charity Event where proceeds will go to the programs that advocate for our Sea Services. Please come join us for breakfast and help us celebrate the festivities starting at 0730, April 7th at the Admiral Baker Golf Course. Lastly, events to look forward to are; 3rd annual Sea Service Golf Tournament scheduled for Thurs, July 20th at the Admiral Baker Golf Course and the Miramar Air Show which will be held at MCAS Miramar on Sat, September 23, 2023. Early Bird tickets are now available on line and can be purchased on our website. I look forward to seeing as many of you in participation and in support of our current and future events. - Ed Naranjo, President.



SPECIAL THANK YOU

Special Thank You to Veteran Business Owner and Family of LC Embroidery; Rolan, Virginia, Rolan Jr. Dylan and Freddy Patzi who was on hand to present their generous donation of \$5,000 in support of the Council meeting its mission and sea service programs.



President Ed Naranjo presented the Community Partnership Appreciation Award to Ms. Kathy Olsen, Chief Financial Officer/Chief Administrative Officer of RCP Block & Brick for their strong support of the council's sea service programs. Including, presenting a \$2,000 check donation on behalf of the San Diego Council to Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps San Diego for ROTC Graduation Dining-In to; Midshipman; Samuel Griffin and Henry Widdop.



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CDR David Catterall was raised in Mattituck, New York and graduated in May 2003 from Boston University where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and International Relations and was commissioned through the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps Program. He earned a Master's in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College in June 2010 and an Executive Master's in Business Administration from the Naval Postgraduate School in April 2020.

CDR Catterall's afloat assignments include Gunnery Officer aboard USS MILIUS (DDG 69), Auxiliaries Officer aboard USS PELELIU (LHA 5), Weapons Officer aboard USS ANTIETAM (CG 54), Combat Systems and Weapons Officer aboard USS COWPENS (CG 63), and Commanding Officer of USS TORNADO (PC 14) and USS SHAMAL (PC 13). During these tours he deployed to the Central and Indo-Pacific Command areas of responsibility.

Ashore, he served as an Instructor of Seamanship and Navigation at the U.S. Naval Academy and as the 2nd Tour Department Head Detailer (PERS-412) at Navy Personnel Command. CDR Catterall's most recent assignment ashore was Branch Chief, Capabilities Integration in the Requirements, Analysis and Resources Directorate (J8) at North American Aerospace Defense Command and U.S. Northern Command.

CDR Catterall assumed command of USS FITZGERALD (DDG 62) in November 2021 after serving as Executive Officer from November 2020 until October 2021. His personal awards include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (five awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (two awards), and various unit and expeditionary awards.



BREAKFAST SPONSOR IN THE SPOTLIGHT



LC Embroidery is a veteran and family owned business since 1996. For 27 years it has provided superb customer service, dependable embroidery, sewing and dry cleaning services to its customers in the community, with many serving in the military. LC Embroidery was founded operating out of a back of a truck to operating multiple convenient locations throughout the San Diego community. To this day, it continues to keeping its clients first and foremost and always, when it comes to customer service and providing top notch quality services to its uniform services in the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard. LC Embroidery has a long history of benefitting the community through the sponsorship of many local organizations and



is a strong supporter of the military and veterans. The San Diego Council is honored to have their support as a Community Partner.

COUNCIL PARTICIPATION

The San Diego Council participated in the three day Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association (AFCEA) Convention in downtown San Diego. AFCEA is a professional association that connects people, ideas and solutions globally by networking and educational opportunities. This event allowed our council members to provide awareness on how The Navy League supports its sea services in the San Diego metro area. Including, building relationships with local Businesses and Government Agencies. Bravo Zulu VP, Tracy Owens; Executive Director, Ernie Belmares and Board Members, Dave Grundies and Jay Rindler in volunteering to attend this event. Well done Tracy in meeting with the 78th Secretary of the Navy, Carlos Del Toro.



RECOGNITIONS

San Diego Council recognized CBMU303 Junior Sailor of the Year, EA3(SCW/EXW) Daysy Cruzcordero and SW1(SCW/EXW) Siamiac Moghaddam for professional excellence. Awards were sponsored and presented by RCP Block & Brick Owner; Ms. Kathy Olsen. Vietnam Prisoner of War Survivor; CDR Jim Bedinger, USN(Ret) presented; CBMU303 CO LCDR Corinne Sims his autograph book; "Patriot, Prisoner, Survivor: An American Family at War" for serving as March's guest speaker



VP Tracy Owens visited Submarine Squadron 11 on Feb 10, 2023 to present 1st Quarter awards to; Junior Sailor of the Quarter to LSS2(SS) Deundhray Steel and Senior Sailor of the Quarter MMA1(SS) John Migone at Naval Base Point Loma. Award Winners attended March's Breakfast Event. Awards were sponsored by Raytheon and Breakfast by former President; Phyllis Barber.



Council Members; Dave Grundies, Bryan Gannon & Tom Goode visited USS PRINCETON (CG 59) on Feb 23, 2023 to present awards to; Blue Jacket Sailor of the Year, CS3 Juan Tinoco; Sailor of the Year, HM2(SW) Matthew Townsend and Senior Sailor of the Year, PS1(SW/FMF) Lisardo Batista at Naval Base San Diego. Awards sponsored by Bryan Gannon & Tom Goode.

President Ed Naranjo recognized volunteers for their outstanding support. Certificate of Appreciations was presented to Navy League Members; Judi Adams and Javier Garcia. Including the announcement of the Council's newest Board of Director; Mireyda Trueba - Welcome Aboard!



The San Diego Council established its first "Council to Council Collaboration SOQ Program" in March, starting with Navy League Philadelphia. The Philadelphia Sponsored Ship; USS SOMERSET (LPD 25) Sailor of the Quarter Award Winners; SN Damari Jones, HM3 John Loeffler, IT2 Logan Steffen, and MR1 Jason Deguia and its Command Leadership; CO, CAPT Christopher Brown; XO, CDR Jeff Kelso; CMC, CMDCM Allan Antonio; CHAPS, LT Gary Monroe, and Awards LCPO, ITC Lisa Gallegos were exclusively recognized on behalf of NLPA and honored by NLSO for attending. It was the first of its kind collaboration, with many more to come. A big win, win, win for SOMERSET SOQ award winners, NLPA and NLSO. Additionally in attendance was CBMU303 XO, LT Bret Anstett, CMC; CBCM Paul Fennell, DIVO; LT Matt McGill, and LCPO; CUCS Terry King. Including, SUBSQD11 DLCPO; MMNCS Ian MacDonald.



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Active Duty Service Members now eligible to join the Navy League at:
<https://members.navyleague.org/become-a-member/active-duty-membership/join>

MEMBERSHIP

NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS

Mary Perry
George Navarro
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Bruce Rice
Douglas Fawcett
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Friday May 5, 2023 at Admiral Baker Golf Clubhouse from 7:30am-9:00am.

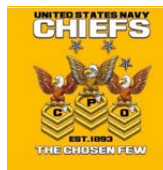
ALL nominees command leadership and chain of command are encouraged to attend and can register and pre-pay online prior to April 28, 2023 at; <https://navyleague-sd.com/product/breakfast-event/>

Celebrating the U.S. Navy Chiefs Birthday! This event will have a breakfast buffet, guest speaker, Sailors award recognitions, cake cutting ceremony, and an opportunity drawing to win multiple exciting door prizes.

To purchase your breakfast buffet at; <https://navyleague-sd.com/product/breakfast-event/>

To donation and receive a ticket for an opportunity drawing at; <https://navyleague-sd.com/product/cpo-birthday-charity-eventapril-7-2023/>

Suggested minimum donation is \$5 for one ticket, or five tickets for \$20. Receive a BONUS ticket, when bringing a guest with you who registers and prepays on-line for their breakfast. ALL CPOs past and present are encouraged to attend. Retired Chiefs your assistance is needed! Attire: Military: Service Khaki (w/Combo Cover) for CPO & above and Service Uniform for E6 & Below. Other Services is uniform equivalent. Civilian: Business/Business Casual. CPO Retirees don your Anchor on your lapel. Donation helps the Navy League meet its mission in supporting our Sea Services in the community. Breakfast is \$25 for ALL active duty service members.



April 11 is National Submarine Day



On April 11, 1900, the United States procured its first submarine; USS Holland (SS-1). Sir Winston Churchill once famously stated, "Of all the branches of the men in the forces there is none which shows more devotion and faces grimmer perils than the submariners." Happy Birthday Submariners!

Sea Service Member of the Year Award Ceremony



2023 Alexander Kreiglowa Scholarship packages due Apr 30th.

3 Easy Steps

- Step 1; Scan QR Code
- Step 2; Download & complete application.
- Step 3; Email scanned package to: scholarships@navyleague-sd.com, cc; vp@navyleague-sd.com, executivedirector@navyleague-sd.com, cfo@navyleague-sd.com



Selected Applicants by the Selection Board will be presented the check at June 2nd Breakfast Event.



EARLY BIRD Discount Tickets for the Golf Tournament, Miramar Air Show and Navy Birthday Ball.

Tickets can be purchased on line at; <https://navyleague-sd.com/events-tickets/> or QR Code



Save the Date - OMBUDSMAN Appreciation Friday September 8th from 0730-0900.

First 50 OMBUDSMAN & Family Support Assistants to register will receive complimentary breakfast, flowers, and ticket for door prizes.



CMCs & SgtMajs are encouraged to registering their OMB & FSA who are able to attend. Registration starts Fri, July 7th. Deadline for registration is Aug 21.

An extended invitation goes out to TRIAD or leadership support and are encouraged to attend, and will be able to register and pre-pay on line via website on August 4th.

Additional ticket(s) for the opportunity drawing will be provided to OMB & FSA when accompanied by their respective TRIAD (CO, XO and CMC/SgtMaj or leadership representative).

Attire as follows; Civilians; Business or Business casual Military; Navy - Service Khaki or Service Uniform. Marine Corps (Class Charlie or Dress Blue Delta) and Coast Guard (Tropical Blue) uniform equivalent.

For more information or questions contact; executivedirector@navyleague-sd.com.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

2023 MONTHLY BREAKFAST DATES AT ADMIRAL BAKER CLUBHOUSE

May 5, 2023

DOORS OPEN FOR SOCIAL NETWORK & REGISTRATION FROM 7-7:30AM EVENT 7:30 A.M - 9:00 A.M

COL THOMAS M. BEDELL, USMC

COMMANDING OFFICER,

MARINE CORPS AIR STATION MIRAMAR

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| Jun 2 | Tactical Law Enforcement Team Pacific |
| Jul 7 | Independence Celebration |
| Aug 4 | Maritime Security Response Team West |
| Sep 8 | Recruit Training Regiment, MCRD SD |
| Oct 6 | United States Navy Birthday |
| Nov 3 | 12th Marine Corps District, MCRD SD |
| Dec 8 | End of Year Recognition |

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BREAKFAST MEMBERSHIP PROMO

\$40 - Includes Breakfast, 1 YR Membership and an additional complimentary breakfast.

- Breakfast for Non-Members; \$30
- Breakfast for Members; \$25

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Community Partnership includes; Business Advertisement, Awards Sponsorship, Social Media Marketing, numerous Complimentary Breakfast, Youth Programs Contribution Complimentary or Discounted tickets to Miramar Air Show, Navy Birthday Ball, Marine Corps Birthday Luncheon, and End of the Year Appreciation.

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