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Navy League of the United States | San Diego Council

53-09 | September 2023

BREAKFAST EVENT

September 8, 2023

7:30 am - 9:00 am

Admiral Baker Clubhouse

GUEST SPEAKER;

CAPT NICHOL M. SCHINE, USN

TECHNICAL DIRECTOR INFORMATION

WARFARE READINESS DIRECTORATE,

NAVAL INFORMATION FORCES

NAVY HERITAGE

On Sept 14, 1970, Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Admiral Elmo.R. Zumwalt, Jr. established the Navy Family Ombudsman Program to improve communication between commands and the families of Sailors who served in them. In 2006, CNO Admiral Michael G. Mullen, re-emphasized the importance of the program and implemented all Navy families have access to a Navy Family Ombudsman. The Ombudsman is a volunteer, appointed by the commanding officer, to serve as an information link between command leadership and Navy families. Ombudsmen are trained to disseminate information both up and down the chain of command on official command information, command climate issues, local quality of life improvement opportunities and "good deals" around the community. Ombudsmen also provide resource referrals when needed. They are instrumental in resolving family issues before the issues require extensive command attention. For 53 years, civilian volunteers appointed by local commanding officers have willingly dedicated themselves to our Sailors and their families' welfare across the globe. To celebrate the inception of the program, each September is recognized as Ombudsman Appreciation Month.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Friends and Family of the San Diego Navy League. We had a fantastic turnout at our August breakfast event with 100 guests in attendance. We were honored to have surprise special guests; U.S. House of Representatives of Florida Congressman Matt Gaetz and his wife Ginger join us. Our guest speaker was Captain James W. Spitler, Commanding Officer, U.S. Coast Guard Sector, San Diego, and we recognized his Coasties for their outstanding performance. To include, celebrating the Coast Guard's 233rd Birthday with a cake cutting ceremony. Our next breakfast event is scheduled for Sept 8th at Admiral Baker Golf Course, we will be celebrating Ombudsman Appreciation month and will be having CAPT Nicol Schine, Technical Director Information Warfare Readiness Directorate, Naval Information Forces as our guest speaker. So come join us celebrate Ombudsman appreciation month! Lastly, don't forget to check out our website and come out and support our MCAS Miramar Air Show on Sept 23rd aboard MCAS Miramar and the U.S. Navy Birthday Ball on Oct 14th at the Manchester Grand Hyatt Hotel. As always, I want to thank the entire NLS Team, Chairs, Board of Directors, Councilmembers and let's not forget our Sponsors for all the hard work and support they provide to our mission! — Ed Naranjo, President



SPECIAL THANK YOU

The Community Appreciation Award was presented to First Command's Reps; Nick Wallace and Ruben Camacho for First Command's strong support of the Council's sea service programs. An additional thank you to our donors support, Vietnam Veterans of America Chp 472 \$500 OMBUDSMAN Appreciation; Fairway Independent Mortgage Company \$1,050.00 Golf Tournament and Strategic Data Systems \$2,500.00 MCAS Miramar Air Show. Including, special recognition to former President; Phyllis Barber in donating \$850.00 to have Sailors, Marines and Coasties and the military spouses that serve as OMBUDSMAN attend our breakfast events from Feb through Sept 2023.



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Captain Nichol M. Schine hails from Littleton, Colorado and joined the Navy as an Electronics Technician in 1986, promoted to Chief in 1997 and received her commission as a Surface Electronics Limited Duty Officer in 1999.

Qualified as Officer of the Deck underway on four ships, Tactical Action Officer on two platforms; she earned distinction as Carrier Strike Group Nine Ship-Handler of the Year in 2006 and was honored by peer-nominated award for Leadership Excellence in 2015. Her tours afloat include USNS ANDREW J. HIGGINS (TAO 190), USS MCKEE (AS 41), USNS POINT LOMA (TAGOS 2), PCU USS DONALD COOK (DDG 75), USS GONZALEZ (DDG 66), USS ROSS (DDG 71), USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN 72), USS VELLA GULF (CG 72), USS HARRY S. TRUMAN (CVN 75) and USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (CVN 71).

Captain Schine's previous shore assignments include: Combat Systems Technical Schools Command, Mare Island, CA; Fleet Combat Training Center Atlantic, Dam Neck, VA; Naval Computer and Telecommunications Station Puerto Rico; Commander Naval Air Forces Atlantic, Norfolk, VA; and Afloat Training Group San Diego, CA. A Master Training Specialist, she was twice selected as Instructor of the Year in 1994 and 1996. She served as the Commanding Officer of Mobile Mine Assembly Group and as Force Combat Systems Officer (N435) Commander Naval Air Forces Pacific in San Diego, CA and as Lead Strike Force Interoperability Officer Pacific, Naval Information Forces in San Diego, CA. She is currently serving as Technical Director Information Warfare Readiness Directorate and Overmatch Lead Naval Information Forces in San Diego, CA.

Awarded the Meritorious Service Medal (4 awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (8 awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (6 awards), and various tour and campaign awards.



BREAKFAST SPONSOR IN THE SPOTLIGHT

In the spirit of honoring military spouses in celebration of our OMBUDSMAN Appreciation month, September's Breakfast Event we will have multiple sponsors supporting, to include award recognitions for Sailors, Marines and Coast Guard service members. Our San Diego Council values our relationships with our community affiliates that are derived from various organizations amongst private, public and nonprofit organizations, with many being family veteran owned or veteran operated businesses. A special thank you goes out to our community partners in sponsoring our largest breakfast event of the year.

THANK YOU TO OUR OMBUDSMAN SPONSORS!



RECOGNITIONS

San Diego Council celebrated the Coast Guard's 233rd Birthday with Coast Guard Sector San Diego Commanding Officer; CAPT James Spittler serving as guest speaker in providing insight on the Coast Guard's role in today's modern era. During this special event the Council was honored to have U.S. House of Representative Florida District 1, Congressman Matt Gaetz and his wife Ginger join us as special guests. Congressman Gaetz participated in the Cake Cutting Ceremony with Command Master Chiefs; Greg Via and Michael Dioquino, and was presented an autograph book by Vietnam Prisoner of War Survivor Jim Bedinger.



Well done to U.S. Coast Guard - Small Boat Station; FN Robert Morgan; Air Station San Diego; AT3 Francesca Choy and AT2 Jamison Bartlett; Sector San Diego; MST2 Chris Park; and USCG Cutter Sea Otter; BM1 Joshua Shannon for outstanding service.

Special recognition was presented to USS SAN DIEGO (LPD 22) CS2(SW) Lawrence Byrd and CSCS(SW) Shamika Nichols for the birthday cake presentation. The Council recognized Command Master Chief; BMCN Greg Via for his strong support of the many years and honorable service to our country with his upcoming retirement ceremony, scheduled for Aug 17, 2023. Awards sponsor was provided by First Command and special thank you to San Diego Sockers Rep; Jonathan Greene in providing additional gift bags to all awardees.



SPECIAL THANK YOU

Special thank you to our 2023 Golf Tournament Sponsors & Volunteers; Fairway Independent Mortgage Company - Chris Catania, Farmers Insurance; Dana Johnson, First Command; Nick Wallace, San Diego Sockers; Jonathan Greene, Manchester Grand Hyatt; Rick Mitrovich and Nicole Boone and Dana Whitney for their strong support.



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3rd Marine Air Wing & Marine Corps Station Miramar Marines and Sailors being recognized at their Quarterly Awards Ceremony on 2 August 2023. Well done to; Cpl Mark Romero, Lcpl Anthony Garcia, LSSN Dakota Cotton, Lcpl Logan Raufer; Sgt Jordin Berwick; Lcpl Curtis McElhaney; HM1 Famela Libut, HM2 David Johnsen and HN Logan Pate.



Well done to Council Vice President; Tracy Owens in leading the 2023 Cammies to College event that hosted numerous educational, nonprofit and veterans associations at Liberty Station on 5 Aug 2023. During this event over 100 military families visited to hear about the numerous college programs, scholarships and opportunities available for 2023/2024. This year's event included numerous super hero actors for the kids to enjoy.



Download Photos from the AUGUST Breakfast Event QR or link here <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1swjEu84duRf9LbkoDdly52Wvrul7rRI>



OMBUDSMAN Appreciation registration deadline; Aug 28th. First 50 registered will receive complimentary breakfast, flowers, and ticket to win door prizes on Fri, Sept 8th at Adm Baker Golf Clubhouse from 0730-0900. To register email executivedirector@navyleague-sd.com



Miramar Air Show Tickets & Sponsorships still available for Sat, Sept 23rd at: <https://navyleaguesd.com/product-category/airshow/> Amenities; Front row seating, shaded patio & umbrellas, centralized catered food throughout the day. Complimentary beer & wine. Including, VIP parking pass & golf cart transportation.



Navy Birthday Ball, Oct 14, 2023 @ Grand Hyatt Hotel Tickets; <https://navyleague-sd.com/product-category/Navybirthdayball/>

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT



San Diego Council Members; Rolan Patzi, Ernie Belmares, Shane Steinfeld and Jay Rindler attended USS MICHAEL MONSOOR (DDG 1001) Change of Command to present CAPT Garrett Miller a Certificate of Appreciation for his strong support of the San Diego Council on 3 Aug 2023.



Well done to USS TRIPOLI (LHA 7) Sailors of the Quarter Award Winners; FN Fernando Medrano, PR3 Ernasia Jones, EM2(SW/AW) Justin Diniro and EM1(SW/AW) Mark Lin. Awards sponsored by USAA and presented by; Navy League Members; David Dearie, Jay Rindler and Charles Clark on 17 Aug 2023.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

2023 MONTHLY BREAKFAST DATES
AT ADMIRAL BAKER CLUBHOUSE

OCTOBER 6, 2023

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

CDR KYLE CALDWELL, USN COMMANDER,
NAVAL AIR FORCES U.S PACIFIC FLEET
(N433) FORCE AIR SYSTEMS OFFICER

Nov 3 12th Marine Corps District, MCRD SD
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2024 DATES

Feb 2 - Maritime Security Response Team West
Mar 1 - 3rd Battalion, Recruit Training Regiment, MCRD
Apr 5 - USN CPO Bday
May 3 - USN SSMoY
Jun 7 - USMC
Jul 12 - USN Independence
Aug 9 - USCG Bday
Sep 6 - USN OMBUDSMAN Appreciation
Oct 4 - USN Bday
Nov 1 - USMC Bday
Dec 6 - USN EoY & Toys for Tots Drive

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- Breakfast for Members; \$25

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