



UPDATE

"On the Horizon"

**NAVY LEAGUE
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ALAMEDA COUNCIL**
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Newsletter of the NLUS
Alameda Council
May / June/July
2018

- May 30th: Alameda Council General Membership Meeting
- May 28th: Memorial Day Celebration at Veterans Park ♦
- May 31-June 3: Valor Games Coast Guard Island
- June 6-9: NLUS National Convention, Portland, OR
- July 4th: Independence Day ♦
- July 23rd: NLUS Joint Council Golf Tournament
- Aug. 4th: Coast Guard Day
- ♦ Fly your flag
- ♦♦ Flag at Half-Staff Sunrise to Sunset
- ♦♦♦ Flag at Half-Staff Until Noon

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"View From The Bridge"

Michele Langford, President

Message from the Navy League Alameda Council President

Hello Navy Leaguers!

I hope this newsletter finds you all of you well and happy!

Please enjoy our Spring edition of Update, your Alameda Council newsletter. Inside you will find news of our Adopted Units and some of the events that we have been active in!

Our Annual Crabfeed was a success . Once again we teamed up with the Lake Merritt and Oakland Councils to hold this fundraiser. We would like to thank all of you who came in support and or donated an item to our auction. Mark your calendar for 2019- Feb 22nd!

The Alameda Council also was the lead council in a D11 Awards BBQ. Anne Gooch spearheaded the effort which involved several councils in the area donating time and money for this event! We would like to thank everyone involved!

Please mark your calendar for our next General Meeting May 30th. This will be a meet and greet social at McGee's in Alameda! Also mark your calendar for our Annual Golf Tournament with the Oakland Council. This fundraiser will take place July 23rd!

Happy reading!

Michele Langford
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For more information or to join the Alameda Council of the Navy League of the United States

www.alamedanavyleague.org

Membership

Much excitement has been generated with a new, lower dues structure.

The Navy League of the United States is offering a new, fully digital **E-Membership**, an electronic membership for individuals who want to take their membership on-the-go for **only \$25 per year**. Spouses, parents, students and other partnerships can mix and match multiple memberships to best suit the subscription/electronic access preferences of the family.



A **one-year Premium Membership is now offered at \$55**, which includes the print edition of our acclaimed *Seapower* magazine and the annual *Seapower* Almanac delivered to your home. Even greater savings are available through multiple-year memberships, up to five years or life, based on age..

Many of our members are up for renewal, the new options make it fast, easy and affordable to continue to make a difference. A membership form is included with this edition of the Update for your convenience.

You can join online or print out a downloadable Membership Application at :
<https://join.navyleague.org/wordpress/membership-form/>

Alameda Council General Membership Meeting
We'll be meeting for a social meet and greet—Guests are Welcome
There will be appetizers and a No Host Bar
Wednesday, May 30th 6:30 pm
McGee's Bar and Grill
1645 Park Street, Alameda, CA

Region News

PACIFIC CENTRAL REGION SPRING MEETING AND SELECTION OF OFFICERS

Sixteen out of twenty of the Region's Council Presidents (or their designee) attended the Pacific Central Region meeting on April 7th. In total, 48 people were there. Region President, Tom Winant, received much praise for the event.

The theme of the meeting was *Bookends on the World of Cyber*. Author and collector Ralph Simpson gave a very interesting presentation about "Breaking the Nazi Code." RADM Bob Day, Ret. then discussed "Threats that the Nation is Facing, and Future Opportunities."

During his presentation, Admiral Day encouraged the cadets from the Band of the West squadron attending and performing at the meeting, to consider "cyber" careers.



April is the "Month of the Military Child," and Barbara Day, Alameda Council Vice President and Board Member of the Military Child Education Council, lead a discussion about the state of education for today's military student.

While the Council President's went through the nomination process, members of the Naval Sea Cadet Corp *Band of the West* Squadron set up for a concert. Their performance was one of the highlights of the day. The band members are pictured below. Another attraction for this meeting was its location. The meeting took place at the Moffett Field Museum in Mountain View, and participants toured the museum during breaks.

Upcoming Events

Memorial Day Ceremony Alameda Memorial Veterans Park 11am, Monday May 28th 2018

Please come and join us as we present the wreath
on behalf of the
Alameda Council NLUS members!

On Memorial Day please come to Veteran's Park on Bay Farm to honor those who served our country. The park is located on the south side of the Bay Farm Island bridge. It has been a tradition on Memorial Day that the Alameda Council presents a wreath in remembrance of all the veterans who gave the ultimate sacrifice.

The ceremony starts at 11am on Memorial Day, Monday May 28th.

Michele Langford
Alameda Council President





VALOR GAMES
FAR WEST 2018

Join us for the Valor Games Far West 2018!

May 31-June 3 | Coast Guard Island, Alameda in the San Francisco Bay Area

This event offers a free introductory level sport competition to Veterans and service members with disabilities. Eligible disability conditions include: amputation/limb loss, post-traumatic stress disorder, spinal cord injury, stroke, traumatic brain injury, visual disabilities, or any disability rating from the VA. Join us for four days of fun, camaraderie and competition in the beautiful San Francisco Bay Area!



Schedule:

Thursday, May 31 - Executive Inn & Suites, Oakland, CA
Athlete Arrival
Event & Hotel Check-in
Athlete Meeting & Dinner

Friday, June 1 - Coast Guard Island, Alameda, CA
Breakfast at Hotel
Opening Ceremony & Lunch
Biathlon Competition
Field Competition
Dinner

Saturday, June 2 - Coast Guard Island, Alameda, CA
Breakfast at Hotel
Indoor Rowing Competition
Powerlifting Competition
Resource Fair
Lunch
Archery Competition
Dinner

Sunday, June 3 - Coast Guard Island, Alameda, CA
Breakfast at Hotel
Depart Hotel
Cycling Competition
Lunch & Closing Ceremony

For more information or to register, please visit
www.ValorGamesFarWest.com
Volunteers needed! See website for more info

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Volunteers Needed!!

To see the many
ways you can help
support this event
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Upcoming Events

NAVY LEAGUE NATIONAL CONVENTION ~ PORTLAND, OREGON JUNE 6 - 9, 2018 PORTLAND MARRIOTT DOWNTOWN WATERFRONT



Annual Joint Council Golf Tournament Fundraiser Save the Date Monday, July 23, 2018

**Grab your Clubs and come join the fun on
Monday, July 23, 2018**

**for the Annual Joint NLUS Alameda – Oakland Councils
Golf Tournament At Redwood Canyon Golf Course in Castro Valley**



Come join us! Have fun and a good game of golf. Meet our NLUS members and friends from the Alameda – Oakland Councils along with a few active duty folks from adopted units.
For Details see Enclosed Flyer

We are looking for Hole sponsors (\$50 for Standard sponsorship, \$200 for Signature sponsorships),
Silent Auction items and Raffle prize donations

To Sign Up, Donate, or have any questions please contact
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SAVE THE DATE Navy League CRAB and PASTA FEED



**Friday, Feb 22, 2019
Alameda Elk's Lodge Rathskellar
2255 Santa Clara Ave., Alameda, CA**

Donations for the Silent and Live Auction are needed.

If you know a business or individual willing to contribute, please contact
Barbara Day at alamedanlus@gmail.com or barb.day.ca@gmail.com
or call 510-427-0072

USCG District 11 Enlisted Employee of the Year and Enlisted Reservist of the Year Award Ceremony



Thursday April 5th, the rain held off and the annual District 11 Enlisted Person of the Year (EPOY) awards ceremony took place. District 11 is a large part of the Pacific Area Command, and commanders sent many worthy nominations. This year's D11 EPOY choice was exceptional. Petty Officer 2nd Class David Holland, an active-duty maritime enforcement specialist's year was so exceptional that he was selected as the **USCG National EPOY of the Year**.

Pictured from left to right: D11 Commander, Admiral Sokalzuk; ME2 Holland EPOY, and CMC Fahlenkamp.

USCG D-11 Bar B Q In Celebration of the EPOY

While District 11 held its All Hands inspection and Enlisted Person of the year Awards Ceremony Council representatives from the Alameda Council, Oakland Council, Lake Merritt Council, Santa Clara Council and Hancock Sea Cadets Set up and prepared a Bar B Q to celebrate the day.



Top Row: Navy League Councils and Sea Cadets Set Up
Middle Row: D-11 Personnel enjoy the Bar B Q
Bottom Row: Cakes to celebrate the Day were made by members of the Cook School at Training Center Petaluma

Adopted Units



First Year of Service Family Celebration for the USCGC MUNRO

Coast Guard National Security Cutter MUNRO has completed its first year of service. On April 4th, the ship's crew, their families and their sponsoring Navy League Councils, Alameda and Lake Merritt, gathered on Coast Guard Island, Alameda to celebrate. The event included Captain King's presentation, on behalf of the crew, certificates of appreciation to Lacey Lindbom and Nina

Fosse, Ombudsmen over the past year. As OS1 Estes remarked, these wives were the conduit for information from the ship to family members and back, helping the crew to keep it all together. The party provided an opportunity to recognize the Sailors of the Quarter, and the Sailor of the Year, 2017. Each received a certificate and a gift of cash.



Pictured: Captain King presents awards to Ombudsmen Lacey and Nina.



Pictured left to right; Peete Baer, Lake Merritt Liaison to the USCGC MUNRO, MK2 Michael Lovett, EPOY, Barbara Day, Alameda County Vice President, and Martha Lantz, Lake Merritt President.



USCGC Waesche (WMSL 751)

Change of Command for USCGC Waesche

On April 5, 2018 VADM Fred Midgette oversaw the time honored tradition of a change of command for the USCG National Security Cutter Waesche at which time CAPT James Passarelli was relieved as the Commanding Officer by CAPT Patrick Dougan.

Captain Patrick J. Dougan

Prospective Commanding Officer – USCGC Waesche (WMSL 751)

Captain Patrick J. Dougan reports to U. S. Coast Guard Cutter (USCGC) WAESCHE from U.S. Coast Guard Personnel Services Center in Washington, D.C. where he worked as the Officer Assignments Branch Chief (PSC-OPM2).

His first assignment after receiving a commission was as Deck Watch Officer and First Lieutenant in USCGC THETIS (WMEC 910) home ported in Key West, Florida. Subsequent afloat assignments include Weapons Officer, USCGC DALLAS (WHEC 716) in Charleston, South Carolina; Commanding Officer of USCGC SITKINAK (WPB 1329) and USCGC DRUMMOND (WPB 1323) in Key West, Florida; Executive Officer in USCGC SPENCER (WMEC 905) in Boston, Massachusetts; then returning to Boston as Commanding Officer in USCGC ESCANABA (WMEC-907) Captain Dougan's previous shore assignments include Executive Officer of Coast Guard District Seven Tactical Law Enforcement Team, Miami, Florida; Nautical Science Instructor at the Coast Guard Academy in New London Connecticut; and within the Drug and Migrant Interdiction Division, Office of Maritime Law Enforcement (CG-MLE) at U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters.

Captain Dougan is a 1996 graduate of the U. S. Coast Guard Academy where he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Management. He also holds a Master of Science in Organizational Leadership from Quinnipiac University located in Hamden, Connecticut. His personal awards include three Meritorious Service Medals, four Coast Guard Commendation Medals, one Coast Guard Achievement Medal, and one Commandant's Letter of Commendation. Captain Dougan is a permanent Cutterman, having served in the cutter fleet for more than 10 years. Captain Dougan is a native of Marlborough, Connecticut, and is married to the former Ms. Leontine DeGalan of Rotterdam, The Netherlands. They have two sons Connor (12) and Trevor (10).

Adopted Units

MIFC PAC

Maritime Intelligence Fusion Center Pacific



Above Left: MIFC PAC CY17 4th Quarter EPOQ. Congratulations to our Enlisted Person of the Quarter (EPOQ) IS3 Austin Wohler. He is shown above with Captain Pailliotet (left) and Navy League Representative and MIFC PAC alum Ken Langford presenting him the award.

Above Right: LTJG Walter Heaney was recognized with a Commandant's Letter of Commendation award for his work as the Senior Watch Officer.

Right: MIFC PAC enjoys a morale day on April 11th touring of Alcatraz



Joint Council Quarterly Book Giveaway

Lake Merritt Council partners with the Alameda Council to provide free books to Coast Guard families. Once a quarter the Lake Merritt Council and Alameda Council set up a book giveaway on Coast Guard Island as a way to support Coast Guard families stationed at Coast Guard Island. Below: April Book Giveaway at Coast Guard Island.



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**TIME – DATED MATERIAL
RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

The Navy League of the United States Alameda Council supports the following units and organization:

Adopted Units:

USCG District 11
USCGC Waesche
USCGC Munro (in Partnership with Lake Merritt Council)
USCG Maritime Intelligence Fusion Center Pacific (MIFC PAC)
USN Naval Operations Support Center Alameda (NOSC)
USMC 4th Force Reconnaissance Company Alameda

Sponsored Units:

US Naval Sea Cadet Corps Grey Ghost Division
US Naval Sea Cadet Corps Training Ship Kearsarge

Partnerships:

Alameda Naval Air Museum
East Bay coast Guard Spouses Club

The Navy League of the United States was founded in 1902 with the encouragement of President Theodore Roosevelt. The Navy League is unique among military-oriented associations in that it is a civilian organization dedicated to the education of our citizens, including our elected officials, and the support of the men and women of the sea services and their families. You need not have served in the military to be a member of the Navy League.

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