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Newsletter of the NLUS
Alameda Council
Winter
2021

“On the Horizon”

- Mar 30 Alameda Council General Membership Meeting
- Jun 11-13 NLUS National Convention
- Jun TBD Alameda Council General Membership Meeting
- Aug 1-4 Sea Air Space Conference

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- ◆◆ Flag at Half-Staff Sunrise to Sunset
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“View From The Bridge”

Barb Day, President

Message from the NLUS Alameda Council President

Navy Leaguers,

Hello! The Alameda Council, NLUS was certainly thrown a loop along with the rest of the Country by the COVID-19 crisis. Thankfully we were able to hold our annual Crab Feed in February 2020 before the COVID shutdown changed our way of life. The 2020 Crab Feed was a blast and our best one yet on all points. Food, Fellowship, Fundraising. We are looking forward to having one again in 2022.

We have worked to stay in touch with our adopted units, and have had the opportunity to continue to provide Sailor of the Quarter Awards recognition for our adopted units, but have not been able to present in person. As a result of this disconnect we reached out to our adopted units to do a quick refresh to the Council at our December General Meeting via Zoom. We saw a lot of new faces as many of the units have new leadership, and heard from some old friends as well. We look forward to hearing from our Sea Cadet Units and our Community Affiliate Sea West Coast Guard Credit Union at our March meeting.

Best,
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www.alamedanavyleague.org



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National Convention

To be held in St. Louis June 11-13, 2021

The Navy League National Convention 2021 will be held this summer in St. Louis. We will provide more details as to location, schedule and accommodations as soon as we can.

The meetings will occur on June 11-13. Additional social events will be announced. Discounted hotel room rates begin on June 9. The convention schedule will be posted no later than March 15.

If you have any additional questions regarding the schedule, please contact [Senior Vice President of Operations Jerry Saunders](#). If you have any questions about accommodations, please contact [Senior Vice President of Corporate Affairs and Events Claire Rusk](#).



August 1-4, 2021

STEM Expo: Aug. 1 | Conference and Exposition: Aug. 2-4

Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center
National Harbor, Maryland

National President's Guidance

I am convinced now more than ever that the Navy League of the United States is the most influential nonprofit maritime advocacy, education and support organization in the world. We are the smartest, most respected and capable people any organization can hope to have. With our remarkable Navy League volunteers, we can all feel confident that we will remain a force of influence for our American sea services for many years to come. — William A. Stevenson III

Priority Focus Areas:

- Communication - Member Recruitment and Retention - Future Leaders and Mentoring
- Training - Unit Adoption/ Ships Commissioning - Sea Cadets
- Mission and Vision/Core Values/ Diversity and Inclusion Statements

SUMMARY

Focusing on these priority areas will enhance the cohesion and collaboration between all Navy League members. Though not all-encompassing, this document provides a clear focus on today's seven most relevant areas to our future success. To accomplish this, we will:

- Implement a chain of communication with Navy League leadership, with region presidents providing the communication, support and training to council and area presidents and executive leadership providing information to region presidents to pass along to council and area presidents.
- Develop a new website that will provide better navigation for resources and a platform for councils to collaborate and share information.
- Create greater opportunities for member retention and new memberships through continued education on unit adoption and ship commissioning.
- Maintain a strong alliance with the Sea Cadets and continue looking for new opportunities to collaborate together.
- Create and implement unified core values and diversity and inclusion statements that will coincide with our mission and vision.

To read the entire National President's 2020 Guidance go to:

https://www.navyleague.org/file/who-we-are/2020_Presidential_Guidance_FINAL.pdf

National News

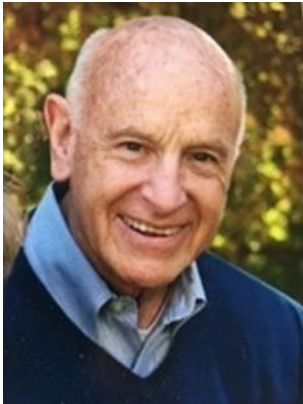
New National Senior Vice President, National Vice President and Board Members

Last week, the executive committee of the Navy League voted to elect Chris Townsend to the office of national senior vice president, a position vacated by Dave Reilly upon his election to national president-elect. Chris served as the national vice president of membership prior to his new role. He is the immediate past president of the Central Florida Council.

The executive committee also appointed Robin Graf as a new national vice president to fill the open slot made by the election of Chris Townsend. Graf is a retired rear admiral who served in the U.S. Navy for 31 years as a human resources officer, including 25 years in the Navy Reserve. Robin is currently serving as interim executive director of the U.S. Naval Sea Cadets Corps.

In addition to these successful nominations, National President Bill Stevenson also appointed Martin Barnholtz, Jeff Nadreau and Frank Russo as new members of the board of directors during the meeting.

Regional News



Passing the Bar Thomas Clinton Winant April 2, 1939 - September 17, 2020

It is with great sadness that we share the passing of Tom Winant.

Tom Winant died of Mesothelioma on September 17 at the age of 81. Born in Washington, DC, the first of three sons in a Navy family, he was a toddler when Pearl Harbor was attacked, and the family that had been living on Honolulu was separated for the first time. Tom and his mother flew to Los Angeles on a troop carrier to stay with her parents until his father came home from the War. After frequent moves across the country, he graduated from Coronado High School and the US Naval Academy, Class of '61. He served in Korea, 3 tours in Viet Nam and, while earning his MS in Operations Research at the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA, he met and married his wife, Diane. After a few more moves, Tom retired from the Navy in 1981.

In retirement, he was an engineer for Convair, San Diego, and, in 1985, began a career at FMC, San Jose, which eventually became BAE Systems, and retired as an Engineering Manager. Tom was an enthusiastic volunteer at Moffett Field Museum, President of the Navy League of Santa Clara Valley, President of its Pacific Central Region and a loyal supporter of the US Coast Guard. As Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 30 in Los Altos, he delighted in helping Scouts earn Eagle, the highest rank in Scouting.

Tom lived a life of honor, service and integrity. He was the first to lend a hand, quick to entertain with a song, joke or story, and cared for a long succession of family pets. He leaves Diane, his wife of 49 years, children Nathan (Julie), Katherine (Mark), and Kristin, grandchildren Dean, June and Bentley, brothers Gerry and Dick, five nieces and nephews and their families, and countless friends. He will greatly missed by all who knew him.

Council Achievements

Honoring the Navy League Members

Navy League councils are at the heart of our mission, supporting the sea services on a grassroots level. Their work ensures sea service members around the globe feel supported while they serve.

The Navy League honors councils with Council Performance Awards
Recognizing their overall participation at the council level

The 2019 Council Awards were recently announced and
The Alameda Council was awarded
The Meritorious Achievement Level

The Alameda Council will receive a Navy League of the United States Flag with the updated NLUS Crest

Membership



Alameda Council NLUS General Membership Meeting



Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87178459044pwd=MksveHgyeG95S3lzS2RtMTRwWjh5Zz09>

Meeting ID: 871 7845 9044 Passcode: 441779

**Tuesday, March 30, 2021
7:00pm -8:30pm**

**We'll invite our Sea Cadet Units and Community Affiliates to give us an update on what they are up to.
7:00pm-8:00pm**

**Business Meeting:
8:00pm-8:30pm
Agenda will be posted on the website**

We look forward to “getting together” and sharing accomplishments from the past year and goals for the coming year.

**If you have any questions email us at alamedanlus@gmail.com
We'll send out a reminder email on. Tues, Mar 23, 2021**

Covid Relief Support



The Alameda Council helped answer the call, when Coast Guard Base – Alameda needed supplies to support Coast Guard members who were COVID quarantined in the barracks on Base Alameda. Some members were quarantined with immediately with only the personal supplies they had with them. We supplied Snacks, Personal Supplies, and even fleece blankets. Additionally we participated in a NLUS SF Bay Area initiative to pay for the purchase of internet ready Televisions.

Council Activities

A Little help for USCG District 17—Juneau, AK



Due to the COVID pandemic, this year's welcome aboard for US Coast Guard District 17 (Alaska) was a Hot Dog Lunch Drive Through. This event was not only opened to new Coast Guard families, but all Coast Guard families in Juneau. Families were able to drive from table to table and pick up lunch, candy, pumpkins and goodie bags for the kids. The first table families were served hot dogs and chips, the second table was bottled water, sparkling water and juice for the kids. The following table was not only candy, but also information for Work Life, Morale, and Legal. Each family also received pumpkins and goodie bags for each child. Families and volunteers were encouraged to wear costumes and everyone did! We were not only able to serve the families, but also the duty section of Juneau Station and the extra goodies were sent out to families in remote areas.

The success of this even would not have happened without the help of the Alameda Council, Navy League as we know the pandemic has effected remote areas in Alaska. Supplies have been in shortage in Alaska and shipping items have been delayed. The Alameda Council was able to supply much needed items that were very hard to get in Alaska that were needed to make this event a drive through experience, such as individual packs of ketchup, mustard & mayo, as well as Halloween goodies for the children. Alameda Council's support was much appreciated and the event was very successful because of their help. Thank you so much.

Community Affiliate Spotlight

What does *Beyond* mean?

Beyond means WHO we serve — Beginning in Bootcamp over 60 years ago to serve the Coast Guard, today we serve all military and DOHS — active duty, veterans and retired.

Beyond means WHERE we serve. Online, overseas, on duty or on vacation. We're there for you.

Beyond means HOW we serve. We Go Beyond to ensure you have an exceptional banking experience, every time.

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Adopted Units

US Coast Guard District 11



Rear Admiral Brian K. Penoyer Commander U.S. Coast Guard District Eleven

Rear Admiral Brian K. Penoyer assumed his duties as Commander, Eleventh Coast Guard District in July of 2020. As such, he oversees the Coast Guard's safety, security, law enforcement and environmental stewardship operations from the California-Oregon border to Peru including Arizona, Utah, and Nevada. He previously served as Commander, Coast Guard Force Readiness since July 2018. The Force Readiness Command directs the activity of 41 subordinate units in 17 states impacting every Coast Guard Mission...every unit...every enlisted rating...and every officer specialty...every day...to deliver mission-ready forces through superior training, doctrine, leader development, readiness assessments, and major exercise support.

Prior to his assignment as the Commander, Force Readiness Command, Rear Admiral Penoyer commanded the Fourteenth Coast Guard District. As the Commander, he directed all Coast Guard missions across the Central and South Pacific, an area spanning over 12.2 million square miles and including the Hawaiian Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas, with additional activities in Singapore and Japan. The region encompasses almost half of the U.S. maritime Exclusive Economic Zone and reaches nearly three times the size of the continental United States.

Rear Admiral Penoyer has extensive operational experience with a specialty in coastal operations. During his career, he has served as the Commander of Coast Guard Sector Houston-Galveston, as the Deputy Commander at Coast Guard Sector Maryland/National Capitol Region, and at Sector Jacksonville, Florida. He was the liaison in the office of the Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security during the Deepwater Horizon incident, deployed during Hurricane Katrina to Louisiana, and again during the Hurricane Sandy to New York. In other operational assignments, he inspected foreign and U.S. merchant vessels, led oil spill response teams, and conducted investigations in Alaska during a period of multiple cruise ship groundings and significant, fatal commercial fishing vessel accidents. In his first assignment for the Coast Guard, he deployed throughout Europe and the Middle East during the 1991 Gulf War.

Rear Admiral Penoyer's staff assignments include serving as the Chief of Staff at the Fourteenth Coast Guard District, as deputy Chief of Coast Guard Congressional Affairs, as a military fellow at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, and as Department of Homeland Security's Chief of Contingency Planning. He also served as the Coast Guard's liaison to the U.S. Department of the Interior and Coast Guard representative on the National Response Team. Rear Admiral Penoyer holds a Master of Public Policy degree from the University of Maryland, a Master of Arts in national security and strategic studies from the Naval War College. He is a 2015 recipient of the Coast Guard's Type I Incident Commander Qualification.

He has been awarded two Legion of Merits, five Meritorious Service Medals, three Coast Guard Commendation Medals, the Department of Transportation "9-11" Medal, and several campaign medals including the Southwest Asia Service Medal. Rear Admiral Penoyer is a native of the Chicago area, and a proud University of Chicago graduate. He is married to Hildi Baker of Madison, Wisconsin, a nurse and equally proud University of Chicago graduate. Together they have two daughters, Scotia and Teslin

Adopted Units

Navy Operational Support Center (NOSC) Alameda



FY 2020 BLUE JACKET OF THE YEAR (FTS)
Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Lauren S. Bishop, US Navy

FY 2020 JUNIOR SAILOR OF THE YEAR (FTS)
Yeoman 2nd Class (Expeditionary Warfare) Danielle R. Lukosus, US Navy

FY 2020 SAILOR OF THE YEAR (FTS)
Information Systems Technician 1st Class (Surface Warfare) Ronald D. Regala, US Navy

Barbara Day, the Alameda Council Liaison to the NOSC attended via video conference the NOSC Award's ceremony where the Alameda Council "presented" recognition from the Navy League thanking them for their Sailor's of the Year commitment to excellence.

US Coast Guard Maritime Intelligence Fusion Center Pacific (MIFC PAC)

The Maritime Intelligence Fusion Center Pacific (MIFC PAC) Enlisted Person of the Quarter (EPOQ) for Oct-Dec 2020 and Enlisted Person of the Year (EPOY) FY 2020 is IS1 Shyla Ramirez.

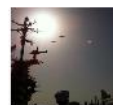
IS1 Ramirez demonstrated exceptional mastery of the Intelligence Specialist rate, showed outstanding performance in her current mission area, displayed professional pride, and other noteworthy achievements. As an analyst in the Transnational Crime shop, IS1 Ramirez consistently displayed strong analytical qualities, which led to the production of numerous time sensitive reports. These reports have been viewed and used by Law Enforcement Agencies, as well as, the Intelligence Community. Additionally, IS1 Ramirez maintained over \$150,000 of highly technical gear and spearheaded the development of training guides for its implementation.

As an active member of the unit Morale Committee, IS1 Ramirez led numerous activities for the crew, boosting unit morale and encouraging much needed socially distanced interactions during COVID 19. IS1 Ramirez's dedication and commitment to ongoing endeavors at MIFC PAC are commendable as well as inspiring.



Grey Ghost Division

Sponsored Units



Training Ship Kearsarge

U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps 2019 NSCC/NLCC Annual Unit Awards

The Vice Chairman of the U.S. Naval Sea Cadets Corps National Board of Directors announced the 2019 NSCC/NLCC Annual Unit Awards in June of 2020 after receiving and reviewing the annual inspection scores from NHQ.

The Grey Ghost Division (NSCC) and Training Ship Kearsarge (NLCC) represented exceptionally well, receiving recognitions in the following Categories:

Grey Ghost Division:

- 7th - 2019 John J. Bergen Award (Top NSCC Units in the Nation)
- 2nd - 2019 George S Halas Award (Top Combined Units in the Nation)
- 1st - 2019 Navy League of Canada Challenge Award (Top 3 Grade Improvement in the Top 10 Units)
- 8th - 2019 Anthony H Murray, Sr. Award (Top Units for E-3 Advancements in the Nation)

Training Ship Kearsarge:

- 3rd - 2019 Morgan L Fitch, Jr. Award (Top NLCC Training Ships in the Nation)
- 2nd - 2019 George S Halas Award (Top Combined Units in the Nation)
- 3rd - 2019 President's Award for Recruiting/Retention (Top 20% of all Eligible NLCC List)

Congratulations to Grey Ghost Division and Training Ship Kearsarge for their outstanding performance.

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**The Alameda Council Navy League of the United States is supported by the following organizations:
Community Affiliate:**



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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