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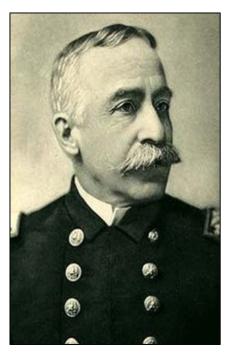
# Report to the Order

# 2018 Congress

The Texas Commandery is hosting the 2018 Congress at the Wyndam San Antonio Riverwalk from 23 - 28 October. We encourage all companions to "Come and Take It' - Honoring the Persistent, Dedicated, and

Defiant Fighting Spirit of the Nation's Sea Services" and take advantage of this opportunity to join your companions at this wonderful tourist destination and to explore our naval history. Visit navalorder.org, or the back of this newsletter, for more details and registration information.

# **Dewey Celebration**



The Battle of Manila Bay is a Naval Order seminal event that is celebrated nationwide. May 1st was the 120th anniversary of first battle of the Spanish American War at Manila Bay where the United first States was recognized as a World Power. Then Commodore George commanding Dewey, Navy's the Asiatic Squadron aboard USS Olympia, in a matter of hours defeated Spanish squadron under Rear Admiral Patricio Montojo. The "Battle of

Manila Bay" helped end three hundred years of Imperial Spanish colonial rule and helped establish a close alliance between the United States and the Philippines. Admiral Dewey was the Naval Order's longest serving Commander General.

### USS Stark Commemoration

On 17 May, Florida First Coast Commandery and Naval Station Mayport jointly sponsored a commemoration at Memorial Park recognizing the 31st anniversary of the 1987 Iraqi missile attack on USS Stark. Thirty-seven sailors perished while the surviving crew's heroic efforts saved the Mayportbased ship.

# Commander General's Battle of Midway Celebration

The Battle of Midway Celebration is a Naval Order seminal event that is celebrated nationwide. The fourth of June was the 76th anniversary of this pivotal naval engagement, fought near the Central Pacific island of Midway that altered the course of the war in the Pacific. Before this battle, the Japanese were on the offensive, capturing territory throughout Asia and the Pacific. The Japanese had planned to capture Midway to use as an advance base, as well as to entrap and destroy our Pacific Fleet. Because of communication intelligence successes, the United States surprised the Japanese forces and seized the offensive in the Pacific.

# **Archives**

Historian General Dr. John Hattendorf and the Naval War College staff successfully worked with Texas A&M to transfer the Naval Order's archived materials. The bulk of the materials are now located at the Naval War College. Membership applications are being digitized by our Registrar General, CAPT Kris Carlock.

# Website

The Naval Order website and social media platforms are improving daily as Companions John McKnight and Sarah Koller, keep the Naval Order visible and relevant by appealing to persons who are comfortable with electronic communications. Social media is a great marketing tool!

Search for Naval Order of the United States at the following sites.

Website: navalorder.org Facebook: tinyurl.com/yazqxv2s Youtube: tinyurl.com/y9gf7h6d







# National History Day

The National History Day competition encourages more than half a million students to conduct historical research on topics related to a central theme. Several commanderies sponsor state awards to students for maritime themed presentations.

### **Awards**

Several commanderies sponsor awards at the maritime and seaservice academies, at Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps programs and to recognize significant achievement. We provide tremendous visibility for our organization through these awards.

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# National Organization Participation and Leadership

Please consider whether you or companions whom you believe would benefit from and contribute to our organization are in a position to serve as an officer or project lead. As a volunteer organization we depend on our members to operate. BZ to all companions who have gone the extra mile. There are opportunities at the local level to help while national officers and committees provide structure and policy. Please consider serving and encourage others to participate.

# The "Other Sea Services"

Each of our sea services contributes to our maritime security in complementary ways. The Marine Corps protects (and fights), the Navy takes the battle to the enemy, and the Coast Guard responds to emergencies, the Merchant Marine moves people and things, the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) injects science and the Public Health Service (PHS) supports our crews and their missions. We articulate how they operate together to achieve national objectives.

# History is Important to You and You are Important to History!

With the passing of many people who have a direct memory of significant sea battles and naval events, fewer people embrace the opportunity to reflect on what happened, to respect those who perished, and to honor the actions of our extraordinary ancestors who helped make our nation what it is today.

We must do more than remember significant events and our naval heroes; we must have a message that describes how the memory of such events and people can guide us in the future.

The mission of our journey is to promote our heritage and every journey begins with a first step.



Submitted by CAPT Paul Crissy, USCG (Ret.)

# **COMMANDERY SUPPORT**

The Naval Order currently has 19 "brick and mortar" commanderies and one "virtual" commandery, that being the Continental Commandery, which, by the way, has 136 members. About half of our established commanderies have regular meetings where participants enjoy the benefit of great speakers as well as the camaraderie of their fellow companions.

Many of these commanderies also celebrate or commemorate some of the more significant events in Naval History with special speakers and formal dinners. Members of these commanderies are enjoying the full benefit of Naval Order membership.

Our concerns are for those commanderies that are without leadership, and for their individual members. We are very grateful for your continued membership and we are prepared to do everything we can to bring your commandery to an active status including logistical and financial support.

But we need to hear from you. We ask for your thoughts, questions and suggestions on how we may best assist you. We would also like to know if you would be willing to play some role in the reactivation of your commandery. Don't miss out on all that NOUS has to offer.

I can be reached by phone at 973-584-9634 or by e-mail at dschuld@juno.com. I'm standing by ready to hear from you.

Submitted by CAPT Donald W. Schuld, USN

# **CHARLESTON COMMANDERY**



Charleston Commandery Companion James Scott speaks about his latest book "Rampage" to a group from BACEPOW in Sacramento, CA in April. The book is about the February 1945 "Battle of Manila." BACEPOW is an organization of former Civilian Prisoners of War who were liberated by American forces during the battle.

Submitted by MCCS Bob Hansen

# FLORIDA FIRST COAST COMMANDERY

# Continental Commandery Supports National History Day!

Companion John Peracchio represented the Continental Commandery in the Michigan History Day program, in the commandery's inaugural year as a NOUS national initiative. John personally funded awards for junior and senior level projects.

The Continental Commandery's participation in the 28 April competition resulted in the following:

"Best Entry in Naval or Maritime History"
Sponsored by Continental Commandery

Senior Award: Group Documentary "DEFCON 2: The Cuban Missile Crisis"



Group Documentary Award Winners: (1 to r) Avery Daugherty, Jessee Ford and Maddox Uckele from South Haven High School, South Haven, MI



Individual Documentary Winner: Andrew Karafa of Forrest Hills Eastern Middle School, Ada, MI

# Junior Award: Individual Documentary

"Temporary Truces: How America's Handling of the Barbary Bullies Molded the U.S. Navy"

The Continental Commandery has Companions in about 34 states. We hope to expand our History Day coverage in years to come, but we're off to a good start, thanks to John Peracchio. Note: This entry went on to win the Captain Ken Coskey Naval History Award (sponsored by the Naval Historical Foundation) at the national competition in College Park, Md.

# **Elections**

Commandery Commander Tom Snyder is in the process of soliciting Companions to stand for election to the offices of Commander, Vice Commander – Membership, Vice Commander – Communications and Recorder. To date, Companions have offered to serve in the Commander and VC-Communications roles.

Continental Companions reading this who desire to serve should contact CAPT Snyder at thomaslsnyder@gmail.com, 707.373.3989, or 131 El Camino Real, Vallejo, CA 94590.

Once we have a full complement of officers, Continental will be on its way as a self-sustaining enterprise "serving Companions who live at a distance".

Submitted by CAPT Tom Snyder

# Florida First Coast Commandery

The Florida First Coast Commandery teamed up with Naval Station Mayport and the NS Mayport 2nd Class Association to remember the sacrifice of 37 sailors on USS *Stark* (FFG-31) on 17 May 1987. That day in the central Persian Gulf, USS *Stark* was struck by two Iraqi Exocet missiles launched from an Iraqi F-1 Jet. The missiles struck the forward part of the ship causing extensive damage. The efforts of the *Stark* crew and other US surface ships in the area saved the ship and *Stark* returned to service a year later. Each year the *Stark* families have gathered at the Naval Station to remember their loved ones. The First Coast Naval Order has co-sponsored the memorial service since the ship was de-commissioned in 1999. The *Stark*'s stern-plate, presented to the Naval Station *Stark* Memorial Museum last year, was on display at the ceremony.



USS *Stark* Survivors pose for a remembrance photo on the 31st Anniversary of the attack in the Persian Gulf. All USS *Stark* photos taken by Mass Communications Specialist 2nd Class Amanda Battles.

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On this 31st anniversary of the attack, the memorial service was attended by Stark families, local Mayport military personnel and representatives of the City of Jacksonville as well as Congressman John Rutherford. CAPT Greg Streeter, USN (Ret.), Past Commander General, read a letter from Congressman Ron DeSantis. CAPT Paul Crissy, USCG-R (Ret.), Commander General of the Naval Order of the United States was the keynote speaker for the occasion. CAPT Crissy addressed the crew and attendees and stressed the importance of Naval History and remembering the sacrifices of those who walk into harm's way every day in defense of their country.



CAPT Bob Whitkop, USN (Ret.) presents a Memorial wreath from 1988 and a picture on behalf of the Stark Crew to CAPT David Yoder, USN, CO NS Mayport for display in the *Stark* Memorial Classroom.

Two unique items were added to the *Stark* Memorial Museum. A wreath, recovered after being dropped at sea by USS *Antrim* off of Mayport on 17 May 1988 in the first remembrance ceremony, was returned to the *Stark* family after 30 years. A picture was also presented of a lone headstone from a remote corner of Arlington National Cemetery honoring

the *Stark*'s fallen. CAPT Bob Whitkop, USN (Ret.) Florida First Coast Commander, presented the wreath and picture to CAPT David Yoder, USN, CO Naval Station Mayport. Other wreaths were also presented by families and one by the Naval Order.

Fifth grade students from Finnegan Elementary school honored the crew with two wonderful songs including 'Proud to be an American'. Sonar Technician James Pair took station to ring the *Stark*'s original ship's bell 37 times as Companion Pete Wynkoop read the names of the fallen to the solemn sounds of bagpipes playing 'Amazing Grace'.



James Pair, *Stark* survivor, tolls the *Stark*'s original ship's bell 37 times in honor of the fallen as Companion CAPT Pete Wynkoop, USN (Ret.), a former *Stark* CO reads the names.

The Ceremony ended with a 21-gun salute and the playing of taps. The Naval Order First Coast Commandery is committed to continuation of this annual ceremony at Naval Station Mayport which is held every 17 May.

On 25 May, the First Coast Commandery joined the residents of Cypress Village Retirement Community for a presentation as part of the Life Long Learning program spearheaded by Companion Greg Streeter.



The presentation was given by Companion CAPT Bob Buehn, USN (Ret.), former CO of the US Naval Station at Guantanamo Bay Cuba.

CAPT Buehn enlightened the attendees on the changes that occurred at 'GITMO' while he was Commanding Officer across the time period for 9/11. GITMO, formerly an Outpost in the Caribbean and US Navy training site for ships for Refresher Training (which many of us remember most 'fondly'), was a small base of operations for the small forces that were involved in operations in the waters off of South America and also served as a temporary site for processing Haitian refugees in the 90s. Those operations were dwarfed by the transformation to accommodate US detainees from the post 9/11 actions in Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere. The efforts of those assigned were Herculean to get the base ready for the first 30 detainees that arrived.

# FLORIDA FIRST COAST COMMANDERY CONT.... HAWAI'I COMMANDERY

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The Naval Order Florida First Coast Commandery participated in the Annual Memorial Day Ceremony at the Veteran's Memorial Wall near TIAA Bank Field in Jacksonville. The ceremony sponsored each year by the City of Jacksonville honors the fallen from Jacksonville and surrounding counties in all wars since World War I with their names engraved in the wall. Six new names were added this year from the Global War on Terrorism.



CAPT Bob Whitkop, USN (Ret.), CAPT David Yoder, USN (CO, NS Mayport) and CAPT Michael Connor, (CO NAS Jacksonville) as they present a wreath in honor of Stephen C. Johnson, USN

Welcoming remarks were given by Jacksonville Mayor, Lenny Curry, Florida Governor, Rick Scott, Congressman John Rutherford, and Congressman Al Lawson. The Jacksonville Fife and Drums cleared the wall with a parade of bagpipes and the national anthem was sung by a vocalist of the Jacksonville Navy Band to a perfectly timed flyover by planes of the 125th Fighter Wing/MSC of the Florida Air National Guard. Commander 4th Fleet/US Navy Southern Command RADM Sean Buck, USN, offered the keynote. He spoke to the history of Memorial Day on this 150th Anniversary of its inception following the Civil War in 1868. The Northeast Florida Observance is the second largest in the country and engages the active, reserve, veteran, political, business and military organizations in the area to come together each year to recognize the sacrifices of those in uniform.

Submitted by CAPT Bob Whitkop USN (Ret.)

On 17 April Naval Order Companion Dr. Hans Van Tilburg and Patty Miller, education/outreach coordinator for National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Marine Sanctuaries Program, hosted 12 members of the Honolulu Council of the Navy League of the United States to a personal tour of the Inouye Regional Center (NOAA IRC).



Dr. Hans Van Tilburg (l) conducting a tour of NOAA facilities on Ford Island, Pearl Harbor, HI

Included in the group were ADM Richard Macke, USN (Ret.), president of the Honolulu Council, Fred Alvarado, Leslie Brey, Nicole Darity, Kristin Decoster, Dan Del Monte, Jr., Jane Ferriera, Christopher Haig, William Kearns, Michael Lilly, Julie Molloy and James Pasquino.

The tour gave visitors a chance to see first-hand an agency that enriches life through science.



NOAA education/outreach coordinator Patty Miller at the Tsunami Warning Center, NOAA IRC.

NOAA IRC is a 35-acre parcel on Ford Island in Pearl Harbor that combines new facilities with the historic preservation of four buildings culminating into a campus that is environmentally sustainable, state of the art, and Leadership in Environmental and Energy Design (LEED) Gold Certified. The IRC houses 15 NOAA Offices with more than 700 staff and most of the NOAA assets in Hawai'i.

NOAA's mission is to understand and predict changes in climate, weather, oceans, and coasts, to share that knowledge and information with others, and to conserve and manage coastal and marine ecosystems and resources.

NOAA is dedicated to the understanding and stewardship of the environment.

NOAA's reach goes from the surface of the sun, to the depths of the ocean floor, as they work to keep our communities informed of the changing environment around them. NOAA's roots date back to 1807, when the Nation's first scientific agency, the Survey of the Coast, was established to provide nautical charts to the maritime community for safe passage into American ports and along our extensive coastline. The Weather Bureau was founded 1870 and, one year later, the U.S. Commission of Fish and Fisheries was founded. Individually, these organizations were America's first physical science agency, America's first agency dedicated specifically to the atmospheric sciences, and America's first conservation agency.

The cultures of scientific accuracy and precision, service to protect life and property, and stewardship of resources of these three agencies were brought together in 1970 with the establishment of NOAA, an agency within the Department of Commerce.

Dr. Hans Van Tilburg is a Maritime Heritage Coordinator for the NOAA Office of National Marine Sanctuaries Program for the Pacific Region. He is a Maritime archaeologist and historian supporting Pacific region ONMS sanctuary sites in survey, assessment, and preservation of underwater cultural resources under US federal jurisdiction. He was principal investigator for the University of Hawai'i submersible (Pisces IV and Pisces V) project that retrieved the Japanese I-400 submarine's bell using a robotic arm in 2016.



Submitted by Col. Allan Cruz USMC (Ret.)

# **Memorial Day Services**

Memorial Day services were held on the Monterey Coast Guard Station Pier ONE 28 May with participation from service organizations here on the Monterey Peninsula. Fellow Companion, CAPT Dean Taylor, USN (Ret.), one of many that crossed the bar this past year, was recognized for his service. Dean's last tour of duty was that of Chief of Staff, Naval Postgraduate School. Peninsula service organizations recognized veterans contributions both ashore and at sea over their many years of service. The Monterey Sea Cadets provided the honor guard. With security condition BRAVO in place, the Monterey based USCG Cutter Hawksbill was not available to participate.

# 76th Battle of Midway Anniversary Dining-Out

The 76th Anniversary of the Battle of Midway Dining-Out was held on Saturday 2 June at the historic Hotel Del Monte, home of the Naval Postgraduate School on the grounds of the Naval Support Activity Monterey. For the 15th year, the black-tie dinner was hosted by the Monterey Bay Commandery of the Naval Order with 269 guests in attendance. The 1800-hour event started on the quarterdeck with a reception with HAHN Family Wines providing a wine tasting table of their recent releases. The immediate reception area was decorated with 4-6 June 1942 historical Battle of Midway artifacts provided by the school's Dudley Knox Library.

The honoree President of the Battle of Midway was VADM Ronald Route, USN (Ret.), President of the Naval Postgraduate School. The President of the Mess was again CAPT Richard "Coyote" Wiley USN, Commanding Officer, Naval Support Activity Monterey. As a side note, fellow pilots say that when you got in his gun sights, the "Coyote" never missed a kill! Yes, the "grog bowl" has been reported many times to be his normal target and he made numerous visits to the bowl.

MAJ Bobby Tuttle, USA did a super great job as "Mr. Vice" and took the opportunity of sending many of his classmates and "new found" friends to the "grog bowl".



The "grog" bowl is "officially charged" with sands from the "war zone" brought home from recent deployments!

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Guest speaker was LtGen Michael A. Rocco, USMC, with comments centered on Marines at Midway and Beyond. General Rocco currently serves as the Deputy Commandant for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps. His most recent assignment was Commanding General, 3d Marine Aircraft Wing.

Special guests included the Honorable Congressman Jimmy Panetta from our own 20th District of California, CAPT Maury Wortham, USN (Ret.), 103 years young (yes, this is no typo) and Master Technical Sergeant Ralph Neal, USMC. CAPT Maury Wortham, Dental Corps, USN (Ret.) and former submariner having served on the USS *Haddo* (SS 255) and completed three patrols in the Pacific. The last patrol saw the *Haddo* in Tokyo Bay in 1945 aside the USS *Missouri* for the formal signing of the Peace Treaty with Japan formally ending the war. Master Sergeant Neal was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry while serving with the Ninth Defense Battalion, Fleet Marine Forces, as a tank gunner in action against Japanese forces on New George, Solomon Island in July 1943.

A memorial wreath was presented during the formal dinner in recognition of the valor and sacrifice of the heroes that fought at the Battle of Midway and in the Aleutians. "They came from all walks of life – from small towns and big cities – and answered our Nation's call to go to a place they had never seen before. We were losing the war in the Pacific until these heroes fought. Many of them gave the last full measure to help turn the tide of the war so that we could be free as Americans".



Marine Detail from the Defense Language Institute Monterey presents the Official 2018 Battle of Midway wreath.

The Navy's Information Warfare Training Command Monterey choir provided dinner music with patriotic songs for the enjoyment of all the guests and the evening ended with remembrances of those that have served, and those still serving, with singing of Amazing Grace, followed by bag piping with Dr. Ed Jarvis.



Bag Piper" Dr. Ed Jarvis leads the 270 guests into the ball room for dinner.

Other guests of the mess included the Chesty Puller Battalion and Monterey County Division, Naval Sea Cadets Corps; the Monterey High School NJROTC providing the honor and color guard; and, a detachment of Marine Corps Defense Language military students.



"CAPT Ken" joins the Navy Information Warfare Training Command Monterey Choir for a "short gig". Note the new Navy White Uniforms with the black piping.

Fellow San Francisco Companions joining the Anniversary dinner included CAPT Michele Lockwood, Immediate Past Commander General, her husband CAPT Sandy Lockwood;

Lockwood; CAPT Kris Carlock and her husband, Dean McLeod, Susan McLaurine and Phillip Tinsley; and Victor Malik and his wife, Edwina; and YNCM Douglas Davis and his wife, Sumiyo. Joining from the East Coast was CAPT John Rodgaard, Commander of the National Capital Commandery, and his wife, Dr. Judith Pearson.



CAPT John Rodgaard, USN, Commander of the National Capital Commandery, and his wife DR. Judy Pearson, flew from Virginia to enjoy the evening at the historic Hotel Del Monterey.

Yes, it was indeed an honor and privilege to once again Chair the Annual Battle of Midway Anniversary Dining-Out here in Monterey. Special note of appreciation to CAPT "Coyote", Commanding Officer of the Naval Support Activity Monterey and his Executive Assistant, Sonja for their total support in making the dinner so successful.

Finally, a note of appreciation to LCDR C.J. Simonsen, USN who was always there to keep the captains steering the correct course .... down wind and within the channel markers.

At this time next year, Judy and I will be aboard the MV *Seabourn Ovation* participating in the 75th Anniversary of D-Day 6 June 1944 as we trace the Allies' triumphant return to and liberation of Europe. In my absence, our Vice Commander, CAPT Jeff Kline, USN (Ret.) will continue the course ahead! Regard my fellow Companions, "Captain Ken" from his "inport sea cabin".

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Submitted by CAPT Ken Johnson, USN (Ret.)

# The National Capital Commandery Visits the N.S. Savannah for National Maritime Day

In honor of National Maritime Day 2018, on Saturday, 19 May, companions from the National Capital Commandery toured the N.S. Savannah, the world's first nuclear-powered merchant ship, now berthed in Baltimore Harbor, Md. Named for the S.S. Savannah, the first vessel to use steam in an ocean voyage from Savannah, Ga. to Liverpool, England in 1819, the N.S. Savannah was designed to demonstrate to the world America's peaceful use of the atom. "The N.S. Savannah will be dedicated by the people of the United States to peaceful trade and commerce.", said Dwight D. Eisenhower. With these words, as set out in the National Maritime Day Proclamation of 22 May 1958, the objectives of the Savannah program were made clear for peoples everywhere.



The N.S. Savannah at a port of call

Launched on 21 July 1959, the N.S. *Savannah* was a joint project of the Department of Commerce, the Maritime Administration, and the Atomic Energy Commission. From 1962 to 1970, the ship called at over 32 domestic and 45 foreign ports around the world attracting nearly 1.5 million visitors.

In 1991, Savannah became a National Historic Landmark in recognition of her association with the historic maritime and atomic heritage themes of the mid-twentieth century. She was subsequently designated as both an International Historic Mechanical Engineering Landmark and a Nuclear Engineering Historic Landmark.

Today the ship is owned by the department of Transportation and managed by the Maritime Administration and serves as a museum. View a virtual tour of the ship at: tinyurl.com/ybyox2uf.

Submitted by Mary-Lee Giblon

# Two Companions Visit Normandy

On 29 May 2018, NOUS Companions Col. Allan Cruz USMC (Ret.) (of the San Francisco Commandery), and MSgt Tom Gafford USMC (Ret.) (of the National Capital Commandery),

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and their wives visited the NOUS Monument at Utah Beach, Normandy, France. The visit was part of a river cruise.

The NOUS Monument at Utah Beach was commissioned by the Naval Order. It is the monument dedicated to the US Navy outside the United States. American sculptor Steven Spears created the monument with powerful three leadership, symbols: sailors, and combat units. The names of the American ships that took part in



Alan Cruz and Tom Gafford at the US Navy Monument

Operation Overlord are inscribed on the base so that visitors, especially families of veterans and their children, can touch the names of their fathers' or grandfathers' ships. The monument was dedicated on 27 September 2008 near the museum.

Among the other monuments on the beaches, Tom and Alan saw the one for the First Special Engineering Brigade. In addition to Utah Beach, they visited Omaha Beach and the Normandy American Cemetery at Colleville-sur-Mer.



The US Navy monument at Utah Beach

Submitted by MSgt Tom Gafford, USMC (Ret.)

# Historic Marker to the U.S. Navy Dedicated in Wexford, Ireland, June 2018

On 24 June 2018, the U.S. flag flew beside the Irish flag over the harbor town of Wexford, Ireland. On that day, members of the National Capital Commandery held a public ceremony to unveil an historic marker commemorating the presence of the U.S. Naval Air Station in Wexford, 1918-1919. From NAS Wexford, seaplanes searched out German U-boats to protect the Allied shipping lanes between Ireland and Britain.

NAS Wexford was one of five U.S. naval air stations in Ireland during the Great War of 1914-1918. The facility was located at Ferrybank, across from Wexford Harbor. Lieutenant Commander Victor D. Herbster, designated Naval Aviator #5, commanded the station and oversaw its construction and subsequent operations. Base construction began in March 1918. Four 11-16 seaplanes arrived on 18 September 1918. Combat patrols began the next day. At the point of greatest activity, station personnel numbered 20 American naval officers and more than 400 men.

The pilots flew as many hours as possible during daylight and good weather. Ground crews overhauled and repaired the planes at night. At times, the men worked 18 hours a day for days at a time to keep the planes operational. NAS Wexford remained free of mishaps during its two years of operation and attacked several U-boats. With the signing of the Armistice on 11 November 1918, combat operations ceased. It was deactivated on 15 February 1919.

The marker project was overseen by Naval Order Companions, CAPT John Rodgaard USN, (Ret.), and managed by both Lieutenant Commander Ralph Day USN, (Ret.) and Mr. John Shanahan, who lives in Ireland. They received assistance from Ms. Veronica Murphy who supplied photos and historic research, and Ms. Karen Erlinger, who designed the marker.

The Wexford County Council provided the framework and installation for the marker.



The Official Party from l to r: Mr. John Shanahan, Wexford Mayor Jim Moore, Admiral Sam Cox, CAPT John Rodgaard, Sergeant First Class Eric Taylor, Lt. Commander Ralph Day, Ms. Veronica Murphy, and Ms. Cathleen Noland

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The afternoon ceremony took place on the quay with about 100 spectators. The unveiling coincided with the annual, three-day Wexford Maritime Festival.

CAPT John Rodgaard gave opening remarks. The guest speaker was Rear Admiral Sam Cox, Director of U.S. Naval History. Ms. Cathleen Noland, grand-daughter of Lieutenant Commander Herbster, was the guest of honor. Sergeant First Class Eric Taylor, US Army, represented the U.S. Embassy in Ireland. Additional members of the official party were Lieutenant Commander Ralph Day, representing the John Barry Chapter of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Mr. John Shanahan, representing the American Legion in Ireland, Wexford County Mayor Jim Moore, Ms. Veronica Murphy, and local Wexford historian Mr. Liam Gaul who authored the book Wings Over Wexford.

On the previous evening John Rodgaard, Ralph Day, and Judy Pearson attended a ceremony across the harbor on Ferrybank. Assisted by Deputy Brendan Howland (member of parliament) and Mr. Paul Kehoe, Ireland's Minister of Defense, the Wexford County Council hosted the opening of a public wildlife garden named Ely Garden. The garden sits across the street from Ely Hospital, which was once the site of the officers' quarters of NAS Wexford. The garden, now part of the Wexford Heritage Trail, is home to another historic marker to NAS Wexford. Besides a description of the facility, the marker shows a life-size silhouette of two men in the crew that pulled the seaplanes ashore at the end of each mission. From the garden, one can see the seaplane ramp that extends into the harbor – now, it is all that remains of what was once a bustling U.S. naval air station.

Submitted by Dr. Judy Pearson

# Naval Order Companions Lay a Wreath at the Statue of Commodore John Barry in Wexford, Ireland

On the evening, following the dedication of the Naval Order marker in Wexford, Ireland (see previous article), all in the official party gathered on the town square for the annual wreath-laying ceremony at the statue of Commodore John Barry, founder of the U.S. Navy and one of Ireland's favorite sons. The larger-than-life statue of Commodore John Barry towers over the square. He is resplendent with his boat cloak blowing in the wind, his eyes looking into the distance, and his sword in his hand.

The Irish Naval Reserve Fife and Drum Corps performed. Several Irish Navy officers and veterans, together with an honour guard of the Irish Navy were present, along with members of the Wexford County Council. Wexford Mayor Jim Moore introduced guest speaker, Mr. Paul Kehoe, the Irish Minister of Defense. In his speech, Minister Kehoe emphasized the importance of Irish Defense Forces in U.N peacekeeping

missions throughout the world. He spoke favorably about Anglo-Irish relations and paid tribute to Irish veterans, adding that they exemplify the heroism of Commodore John Barry.

CAPT Rodgaard and Lieutenant Commander Day placed a wreath at the foot of the statue on the behalf of the Naval Order. All wreath-bearers and spectators, numbering about 300, then stood quietly for the playing of the Irish and the American national anthems. It is always touching to Americans when those in other lands remember the contributions of the U.S. sea services.



Statue of Commodore John Barry

Submitted by Dr. Judy Pearson

# Battle of Manila Bay and Admiral of the Navy Dewey Commemoration

Eleven companions from the National Capital Commandery their fellow companions from joined the Philadelphia/Delaware Valley and New York City commanderies to commemorate the Battle of Manila Bay and Admiral of the Navy George Dewey aboard the USS Olympia at Independence Seaport, Philadelphia on 28 April. This was the second event of its kind coordinated between the three commanderies.

National Capital companion, RADM Don Loren, USN (Ret.), gave the keynote address on the fantail of the *Olympia*. He was joined by the Commander General, CAPT Paul Crissy, USCG (Ret.), and the commanders of the three commanderies: Mr. Norman Keller (New York City), CAPT John Rodgaard, USN (Ret.) (NAT) and Mr. Jonathan Jones (PDV). Over 40 companions and guests were in attendance.

Representatives from the commanderies presented a wreath honoring the Battle of Manila Bay, Admiral Dewey, and his men. Afterwards, all were invited to tour the ship and to be present at the firing of one of *Olympia's* secondary guns by a gun crew dressed in period US Navy summer uniforms.



Companions lay a wreath on the deck of the Olympia, with the skyline of Philadelphia in the background.

After the tour, all retired to the Rope and Anchor Bar and Kitchen adjacent to the Independence Seaport Museum. National Capital Commandery companion, Commander John "Hoop" Hooper, USCG (Ret.) was the luncheon speaker. His presentation was about the role of the US Revenue Cutter, USRC McCullough, at the Battle of Manila Bay and afterwards.

All in attendance thought this event should become an annual event for all three commanderies. Much thanks to Commander Jonathan Jones and Mr. Tim McGrath (naval history author) for completing the final arrangements for the ceremony and the luncheon. BZ!

Submitted by CAPT John Rodgaard, USN (Ret.)

# The New Orleans Commandery kicked off a busy year as sponsor, and with major players, for the Krewe of CAMAN (Coast Guard, Army, Marine Corps, Air Force, Navy) official New Orleans Military Mardi Gras Ball in January. From the commandery, Janet Nagelin and Bobbie Whiddon served as cochairmen, RADM David Callahan reigned as King, CAPT Tom Nagelin starred as King Louis XVI in the tableau themed "Let them Eat Cake," and CAPT David Whiddon and CAPT Gary Bair performed as Royal Dukes, along with Colonel Bill Davis and CAPT Drew Gerfin in the mob.



NOUS New Orleans commandery headed up Mardi Gras military ball. CAPT Tom Nagelin, as Henry XVI, is flanked by Royal Dukes CAPT Gary Bair and CAPT David Whiddon.

The New Orleans Commandery enjoyed a delightful dinner in March at Andrea's Restaurant. Companion Dr. Samantha Cavell PhD. delivered her well researched account of David Farragut's capture of the vital port of New Orleans early in the Civil War. She had presented this paper a month before to the Maritime Heritage Conference in New Orleans.

The commandery honored the top surface warfare graduate, Midshipman First Class Austin Jahn, at Tulane University Naval Reserve Officer Training Program awards ceremony in April.

Companion Greg Kahn presented a NOUS certificate and \$100 check.

The commandery participated as sponsor for the National History Day Louisiana State Competition held at The National World War II Museum in April. CAPT Gary Bair, CAPT Charlie Chadbourn, and Dr. Samantha Cavell PhD served as judges. They also presented a NOUS Certificate and \$100 check to high school senior Cameron Van for his 2500 word winning paper, "Turning the Tides: How Americans Revolutionized Aerial Warfare to Defeat the Japanese."



New Orleans Commandery NOUS presentation to National History Day winner Cameron Van, center. Second row companions CAPT Charlie Chadbourn, Dr. Samantha Cavell PhD., CAPT Gary Bair.

On 16 June, we dined in the just completed new Louis Armstrong Private Dining Room in the WWII Museum. National History Day winner Cameron Van was speaker. He told of his History Day personal experience and presented his paper on the development of naval air warfare tactics and aircraft during the war - from the Japanese Zero 12:1 kill ratio at the start of the war, to the eventual US F4U Corsair 11:1 ratio. He summarized, "The most effective attack...is to obtain altitude advantage, dive in, attack, and pull up using speed during the dive. Using scientific terminology, this gained tactic could be described as the weaponized manipulation of and potential energy - an alternative to the both kinetic fallible method of dogfighting."

Cameron also was one of two recipients of a Normandy Academy Scholarship and departed the following day for two weeks of travel in France.

Submitted by CAPT Gary Bair (Ret.)

# Northwest Commandery Hosts Annual Dinner Honoring Vietnam Veterans

On Friday, 30 March, 16 companions gathered at Arnie's Restaurant in Mukilteo, WA to celebrate "Welcome Home Vietnam Veteran's Day". The group participated in around-thetable talks covering the war period of 1965-1975, including personal stories, pictures, and other memorabilia.



New NOUS Northwest companion TMC John Gerten, USN (Ret.) describes his Vietnam experiences

During the dinner, NOUS Northwest welcomed TMC John Gerten, USN (Ret.) as our 34th member. We all enjoyed hearing of his active duty service where he and fellow Companion CAPT John Laible, USN (Ret.) were shipmates aboard the destroyer USS *Stoddard* (DD 566) during the war! We talked about doing a sequel next year around a related theme, as a good time was had by all.

# Northwest Commandery Hosts Doolittle Brunch, Learns About Naval Warship Construction

On Saturday, 14 April, 16 Companions met at Naval Station Everett, Washington for brunch with the theme "The Doolittle Raid on Tokyo."

Commandery Historian Floyd Kershner started the discussion period with a comprehensive review titled "The History of Warship Construction", informing attendees of the evolution of early warship building practices up to present day. The group also learned the difference between the early Tumblehome design and the more modern Flare.

CAPT Joe Valenta, USN (Ret.), continued the meeting with the

# NORTHWEST COMMANDERY CONT....

thematic Doolittle address, including key sections of the movie, "Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo". That daring air raid on 18 April 1942 was an amazing part of our WW II Naval history that we relived together, including lively discussions after the formal presentation.

# Commissioning Ceremony for USS Portland

Four NOUS Northwest companions were on hand on 21 April at Terminal Two at the Port of Portland, OR for the commissioning of the Navy vessel of the city's namesake: USS Portland (LPD 27).



Front row l to r - CAPT Solon Webb, USN (Ret.), PN3 Mark Thompson, USN (Ret.), and LCDR Bill Boardman, USN (Ret.) wearing his Merchant Marine Captain's uniform.

Deputy Secretary of Defense Patrick M. Shanahan delivered the ceremony's principal address and Bonnie Amos, wife of the 35th commandant of the Marine Corps, retired Gen. James F. Amos, served as the ship's sponsor. In a timehonored Navy tradition, she gave the order to "man our ship and bring her to life!" Following the commissioning, tours were provided for the guests in attendance.

# Northwest Commandery Upcoming Events

# 10 November

Brunch at the Everett Naval Station

Theme is Veteran's Day & Navy Birthday Celebration

# 7 December

Pearl Harbor Remembrance and Change of Command Dinner at Arnie's Restaurant in Mukilteo

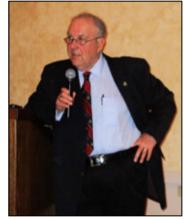
Contact CAPT Solon Webb at mendosolo@aol.com or 707.548.3720 for additional details

Submitted by CAPT Solon Webb, USN (Ret.)

# SAN FRANCISCO COMMANDERY

The San Francisco Bay Area used to be a beehive of military activity. We had Naval Bases at Treasure Island, Hunters Point, Mare Island, Moffett Field, Concord and Alameda (among others). There was also the Presidio of San Francisco, Fort Mason and Fort Miley (among others). Our Military presence is now represented by a very visible Coast Guard presence as well as recruiters, reservists, and fond memories. The San Francisco Commandery is a reminder of the previous military presence. Many of our members maintain their military ties through membership in the Marines Memorial Club, various Navy League Councils, the Marine Corps League, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, and Bataan Legacy Historical Society (among others). Through participation in these organizations and militarythemed events, as well as in our luncheons with interesting guest speakers, we remind ourselves of what it means to have served our country in uniform.

April was an especially busy month. We began with luncheon speaker Larry Dietz who spoke of his experiences in psychological warfare during the ethnic conflict in Kosovo during the 1990's. Within a few days we were at the Presidio of San Francisco for Bataan Day where veterans of the United States Armed Forces in the Far East were awarded (replica) gold medals for their service in the Philippines during World War II.



Lawrence Dietz

Our own companion, Wally Levin, was acknowledged for distinguished service for the San Francisco Veterans Community.



Major General Eldon Regua, USA (Ret.) representing the Bataan Legacy Historical Society presents companion Wally Levin with a certificate honoring him for all his work on behalf of veterans during Bataan Day commemoration at the Presidio of San Francisco.

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# San Francisco Commandery Hosts USS San Francisco Memorial

For the last 21 years, the sailors and marines of USS *San Francisco* (CA 38) have been remembered in a solemn ceremony at San Francisco's Lands End park during Memorial Day weekend.

This year the tradition was continued and wreathes were laid and the 107 men who lost their lives during the Battle of Guadalcanal were remembered as the ship's bell tolled and their names were read by CAPT Michele Lockwood. Although the ceremony was organized and is run by the USS *San Francisco* Memorial Foundation, the foundation is for all intents and purposes a project of the San Francisco Commandery.

This year's Chair of Honor was occupied by CAPT Stan Ellexson who, for the first time in many years, was not the

Master of Ceremonies. Instead, the Master of Ceremonies was San Francisco Commandery Commander and President of the USS San Francisco Memorial Board of Directors, John McKnight.

There were a couple of significant differences with this year's ceremony. The most notable was warm weather and bright sunshine for the ceremony (atypical of that part of San Francisco). The Consul Generals of Australia, Mr. Chris Oldfield, and Japan, Mr. Tomochika Uyama, spoke and laid wreathes to honor the war dead of their respective nations. Former San Francisco Mayor and Chief of Police, Frank Jordan, was honored for his lifetime of service to the "City by the Bay."

For further information visit ussanfrancisco.org.

# Submitted by MCCS Bob Hansen



San Francisco Commandery companion CAPT Stan Ellexson, Chair of Honor, USS San Francisco Memorial ceremony.



CAPT Stan Ellexson with young marines holding the wreathes that were laid to honor the war dead and those who served during the Battle of Guadalcanal.



Japanese Consul General Tomochika Uyama and Australian Consul General Chris Oldfield pose with young Marines.



Commandery Commander John McKnight MC'd the ceremony.



Frank Jordan who served as both Mayor and Chief of Police.

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On 22 April we joined members of the Moffett family for the dedication of an exhibit featuring RADM William Adger Moffett's Medal of Honor at Moffett Field. We finished the month in Sacramento at a conference of former Civilian Prisoners of War of the Japanese during World War II.



Companion Master Chief Douglas Davis (I) with Moffett Museum staff Master Chief Herb Parsons and CAPT Tom Spink (at the podium) during introductory remarks honoring RADM William A. Moffett on the occasion of the opening of a special exhibit featuring his Medal of Honor.



Companion Master Chief Douglas Davis with Colonel William A. Moffett III, USMC (Ret.)

May had significant events as well. The Marines Memorial Club continued to be a venue for special events and we tapped LtGen Jan Huly, USMC (Ret.) the Chief Executive Officer of Marines Memorial Association as our May luncheon speaker. Many of us attended the Salute the Vietnam Veterans at the club. Memorial Day weekend proved to be extremely busy as always. It started with the Memorial Day commemoration featuring Blue Star families at the Marines Memorial Club.

The highlight of Memorial Day weekend for us was the USS San Francisco Memorial featuring our own Stan Ellexson as Chair of Honor. On Memorial Day itself, we attended events at various locales including San Francisco's National Cemetery where civic and political officials thanked us for our service and honored those who made the ultimate sacrifice.

June began with warm weather and the annual celebration of the Battle of Midway. Rather than hosting our own event, some of us joined the Monterey Commandery for their Dining Out at the Naval Postgraduate School.

For our June luncheon we were honored to have a special speaker – perhaps the youngest speaker we've ever had – Kyle Hocking, a middle school student and the state winner of the National History Day competition who spoke on the USS *Panay* incident, which almost led to war with Japan in 1937. Kyle was followed by CAPT Matt Shilk of the California National Guard Civil Support Team. CAPT Shilk talked about their responsibilities during natural disasters.



Kyle Hocking receives a Naval Order certificate of appreciation from John McKnight as his family and the Commandery look on. Pictured (l to r))
Haley Hocking, Kathy Hocking, Tom Snyder, John McKnight,
Kyle Hocking, Ken Hagen, and Ned Hocking.

# **Upcoming Events**

**Monday, 8 October** - Luncheon at the USS *Hornet* Museum Alameda. Fleet Week San Francisco Special Meeting featuring CO's of ships participating in Fleet Week.

**Monday, 5 November** - Luncheon at Italian Athletic Club. Status of the United States Marine Corps.

**Monday, 3 December** - Luncheon at Italian Athletic Club. John J. Geoghegan, Japanese Submarine Warfare off the California Coast during World War II.

**Sunday, 9 December** - University Club of San Francisco Pearl Harbor Memorial Dinner.

For further information contact John McKnight at 510.409.4727 or McknightNOUS@gmail.com.

Submitted by MCCS Bob Hansen

# **TEXAS COMMANDERY**

The Texas Commandery held the annual Battle of Midway Luncheon at the Briar Club in Houston on 6 June, the 76<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the battle. Texas Commandery Commander CDR Bryan Lethcoe, USN (Ret.) conducted the meeting.

CDR Lethcoe introduced LtCol John Bradley, USA (Ret.), who had been a civilian prisoner of war of the Japanese in the Philippines during World War II as a teenager along with his family. He is a veteran of the Viet Nam War, graduate of West Point, has taught courses in U.S. history, military history, World War II, and the Viet Nam War at the University of Houston-Downtown and since 2009, at the Glasscock School of Continuing Studies. He is the principal author of *The Second World War: Asia and the Pacific* and its accompanying atlas. Colonel Bradley holds a master's degree in history from Rice University and has taught military history at West Point and is a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, KS.

In his talk on the Battle of Midway Colonel Bradley reviewed the preliminary events that preceded the battle such as the Doolittle raid and the Battle of the Coral Sea. He pointed out how the damage to *Shokaku* and the loss of the air group of *Zuikaku* in the Coral Sea prevented them from participating at Midway, thus reducing the number of Japanese carriers from six to four.

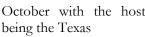
Using slides that showed images of the principal adversaries in the battle, he reviewed the options faced by the Japanese military and some of the principal players in the Japanese hierarchy.

He reviewed the advantages enjoyed by the Pacific naval command under Admiral Nimitz because of the work of the decoders in Hawaii under Joe Rochefort. He mentioned the clever ruse used to confirm that the location referred to by the Japanese as "AF" was actually Midway as the decoders had surmised. He reviewed the various phases of the battle such as the fruitless preliminary attacks by the high-level Army bombers and the loss of *Hornet's* entire torpedo attack squadron under LCDR John Waldron.

Also, he told of the victorious and unimpeded attacks by the divebombers of *Enterprise* and *Yorktown* while the enemy fighters were at low altitudes after fending off the torpedo plane attacks. He told of *Yorktown* being heavily damaged by torpedo plane attacks led by LT Tomonaga and subsequently sunk by Japanese submarine torpedoes.

He answered several questions from those present, including why the Midway battle does not receive the attention of other major battles, such as those that occurred in the European Theatre during World War II. In response, he mentioned the large number of combatants such as at D-Day and Stalingrad being a big factor.

CDR Lethcoe presented a certificate to Colonel Bradley in appreciation for his talk and closed the meeting by mentioning the upcoming NOUS Annual Congress to be held in San Antonio 24-28 October with the host





Commandery; and the Pearl Harbor Remembrance ceremony to be held on the Battleship *Texas* in December.

# Submitted by CAPT Carter B. Conlin, USN (Ret.)



On 26 March, representatives of the Texas Commandery present the Nimitz Award to ADM William McRaven in Austin, Tx. 1 to r: LT Steven Howell, USN (Ret.), Treasurer; CDR Bryan Lethcoe, USN (Ret.), Commander; ADM William McRaven, USN (Ret.), Chancellor, The University of Texas System; CAPT Chuck Hewell, USN (Ret.), Immediate Past Commander; RADM Peter Andrus, MC, USN (Ret.), Vice Commander and Surgeon. Photo by Chuck Berry, former LT, USN.

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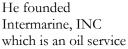


Past Commander of TCNOUS Chuck Hewell, CAPT Woe King and Don Kehn, TCNOUS Historian.



# 2018 Fleet Admiral George Dewey Awardee - Marshall P. Cloyd

Mr. Cloyd, a native Texan, received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering from Southern Methodist University, a Master of Science in Civil Engineering from Stanford University and post graduate studies at Harvard Business School MBA program.





company operating in the marine sector with activity in 40 countries over the last 35 years. Prior to Intermarine Incorporated, he was a Senior Vice President of Brown & Root, Inc. in Houston, Texas responsible for strategic planning and new market development for this large, diversified engineering and construction company. His prior employment with Brown & Root covered 20 years of line operating positions prior to the two-year strategic planning assignment, including resident foreign experience, covering a decade in both London and Singapore.

Mr. Cloyd was the President of the Greater Houston Council of the Navy League of the United States. He is the chairman of Lone Star Flight Museum Board of Directors. He was the Chairman of the Commissioning Committee of the USS Texas. He serves on the Executive Board of Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law. He is also involved with the American Air Museum in Great Britain. and is a Trustee of the American Iranian Council and Member of numerous professional, civic and military organizations. including American Society of Civil Engineers, American Institute of Mining, American Petroleum Institute, Newcomen Society of North America, Metropolitan Club of New York, Houston Racquet Club, River Oaks Country Club, Brook Hollow Club, and the Dallas Country Club.

He is a member of the Naval Order of the United States and has been a generous contributor to the Order's various historical monument projects including the Naval Monument at Normandy, France and the Admiral Nimitz statue on Ford Island in Hawaii.

He is married to Robin S. Cloyd, has four children, and lives in Houston Texas. \*\*\*\*\*

2018 Distinguished Sea Service Award Senior Enlisted Sgt. Maj. Angela M. Maness Sergeant Major, Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island and Eastern Recruiting Region

Angela M. Maness joined the Marine Corps in June of 1987. She graduated as the platoon honor recruit in September 1987 from Oscar Company, 4th Recruit Training Battalion, Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island, S.C.

In October 1987, Lance Cpl. Maness reported to Camp Johnson, N.C., for Administrative School to serve as a service record book clerk.



In May 1988, she was meritoriously promoted to the rank of corporal. In July 1990, she was meritoriously promoted to the rank of sergeant and received orders to Maintenance Battalion, 2nd Force Service Support Group, Camp Lejeune, N.C., for duty as the administrative chief.

In January 1992, she volunteered for drill instructor duty. After completing Drill Instructor School at Parris Island, she was immediately assigned to 4th Recruit Training Battalion where she served as an Oscar Company drill instructor for 24 months.

In October 1994, she was promoted to staff sergeant and received orders to Officer Candidate School in Quantico, Va. As permanent personnel there, she held the billets of administrative chief, sergeant instructor, platoon sergeant and physical training instructor until December 1998 when she was promoted to gunnery sergeant and received orders to 9th Engineer Support Battalion, 3rd Force Service Support Group, Okinawa, Japan, for duty as the adjutant.

In January 2000, Gunnery Sgt. Maness was ordered to Marine Aircraft Group 24, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

In March 2003, 1st Sgt. Maness checked into Range Company, Weapons and Field Training Battalion, Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island. In August 2005, she received orders to Oscar Company, 4th Recruit Training Battalion, aboard the depot.

In December 2006, she was selected for sergeant major and received orders to 2nd Marine Logistics Group, Combat Logistics

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# 2018 Distinguished Sea Service Award

Admiral James A. Winnefeld, Jr., USN (Ret.) has been selected as the 2018 Distinguished Sea Service Award.

He served as the ninth Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In this capacity, he was a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the nation's second highest ranking military officer.

He graduated from the Georgia Institute of Technology and received his commission through the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps program.

He subsequently served with three fighter squadrons flying the F-14 Tomcat, and as an instructor at the Navy Fighter Weapons School.

His unit commands at sea include Fighter Squadron 211, USS *Cleveland* (LPD 7), and USS *Enterprise* (CVN 65). He led "Big E" through her 18th deployment, which included combat operations in Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom immediately after the terrorist acts of September 11, 2001.

As Commander, Carrier Strike Group Two/Theodore Roosevelt Carrier Strike Group, he led Task Forces 50, 152 and 58 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and maritime

interception operations in the Arabian Gulf. He also served as commander, United States 6th Fleet, commander NATO Allied Joint Command, Lisbon; and commander, Striking and Support Forces NATO.

His shore tours include service in the Joint Staff Operations Directorate (1-3), as senior aide to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and as executive assistant to the Vice Chief of Naval Operations.

As a Flag officer, he served ashore as director, Warfare Programs and Transformational Concepts, United States Fleet Forces Command, as director of Joint Innovation and Experimentation at United States Joint Forces Command; and, as the director for Strategic Plans and Policy (1-5) on the Joint Staff. He also served as the commander of North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) and U.S. Northern Command (USNORTHCOM).

Admiral Winnefeld's awards include the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, Distinguished Service Medal. Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Medal and five Battle Efficiency awards. \*\*\*\*\*



# Continued from page 23, Sgt. Maj. Maness

Regiment 2, where she served as the battalion sergeant major for Combat Logistics Battalion 8. Upon checking into CLB 8 in March 2007, she deployed to Camp Fallujah, Iraq, from August 2007 to March 2008 and then to Camp Leatherneck and Camp Dwyer, Afghanistan, from May to October 2009.

In January 2010, she was ordered to Combat Logistics Battalion 3, Combat Logistics Regiment 3, 3rd Marine Logistics Group, where she deployed to Camp Dwyer, Afghanistan, from September 2010 to April 2011.

In April 2012, she reported to Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, N.C., where she served as the station sergeant major. In June 2013, she reported to Marine Barracks Washington, D.C., for duty as sergeant major at the "oldest post of the Corps." In November 2014, she became the depot sergeant major of Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island.

Sgt. Maj. Maness' personal awards include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal with two gold stars in lieu of third award, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with two gold stars in lieu of third award, and Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with two gold stars in lieu third award. \*\*\*\*\*

# Naval Academy Division of Humanities and Social Sciences Awards Naval Order of the United States Prizes

United States Naval Academy Division of Humanities and Social Sciences Awards are presented during the Academy's Commencement Week activities. The Naval Order of the United States presents three awards to Midshipmen who have written the best essay on current national or international affairs. Instructors representing the Academy Division of Humanities and Social Sciences which includes the Departments of Economics, English, History, Languages and Culture, and Political Science nominate finalists. Award recipients are chosen by a committee of the Division professors. The Naval Order awards are:

- The Captain James F. Brooke, III Memorial Division of Humanities & Social Sciences Award
- The Naval Order of the United States Senior Division History Award
- Naval Order of the United States Junior Division History Award

2018 is the 84th consecutive year that the Naval Order Prizes have been presented. National Capital Commandery Life Member and Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs, RADM Don Loren, US Navy (Ret.) represented the Naval Order at the Division of Humanities and Social Sciences Awards presentation on 23 May. Admiral Loren has presented these awards for the past four years after taking over this responsibility from long time award coordinator, the late CAPT Jim Brooke, US Navy (Ret.). This year marks the first year that the senior division award has been officially named in CAPT Brooke's honor. RADM Loren is a 1974 graduate of the Naval Academy, served as Deputy Director, J-5, for Political-Military Affairs on the Joint Staff and has a long history of national and international security assignments on the OPNAV, Joint, and Secretary of Defense staffs.

This year's awards were selected from 21 finalists. The 2018 recipients were Midshipman 1/c Cara M. Edwards, Midshipman 3/c Joseph N. McGraw, and Midshipman 4/c Justine A. Ransdell.

Joining RADM Loren and the award recipients in the photographs are Naval Academy Academic Dean and Provost Dr. Andrew T. Phillips and Chair of the Humanities and Social Sciences Division Colonel Jon Aytes, US Marine Corps.

Submitted by CAPT Paul Crissy, USCG (Ret.)



NOUS CAPT James F. Brooke, III Memorial Division of Humanities & Social Sciences Award: Midshipman 1/c Cara M. Edwards, for her paper "Navy Shipbuilding Programs and Force Structure: Achieving a 355-Ship Navy"



NOUS Senior Division History Award: Midshipman 3/c Joseph N. McGraw for his paper "Territorial Claims in the Polar Regions"



NOUS Junior Division History Award: Midshipman 4/c Justine A. Ransdell for her paper "Eradicating Mandatory Chapel at the Naval Academy:

A Fight for Constitutional Rights"

# BATTLE OF MANILA BAY 2018 COMMEMORATION

There have been five five-star Admirals in the United States Navy and all of them have been Companions of the Naval Order of the United States, none more keenly than Admiral of the Navy George Dewey. One of our first Commanders General (but the Congress minutes at the time called him "General Commander") was George Dewey. His history in the Naval Order is most impressive:

- Joined the NOUS in 1898 as Insignia (member) Number 207
- "Vice General Commander" in 1901
- "General Commander" from 1907 through 1916

Following his death in 1917, ADM Dewey initially was buried at Arlington National Cemetery but later disinterred by his widow who was unhappy with her small Navy pension. His remains now lie in a special crypt of the Bethlehem Chapel of the large and beautiful Washington National Cathedral in Washington, D.C., for Admiral Dewey had been a strong supporter for the concept and building of the Cathedral.

Since 1997, the Naval Order honors his service to the Order and the Nation on the anniversary of his great naval victory against the Spanish Navy at Manila Bay on 1 May 1898.

This year's ceremony, conducted by the National Capital Commandery, was held on Tuesday, 1 May. Attendees included Commander General Paul Crissy and Past Commander General Vance Morrison. Principal speaker was RADM Morton Toole, USN (Ret), a strong proponent of Naval Order ceremonies that celebrate U.S. naval victories.

RADM Toole's very well-received talk included background for, and a summary of, the Battle of Manila Bay and its implications for subsequent U.S.-Philippine relations.

Leading the Cathedral's presence at the event was the Rt. Rev. Carl Walter Wright, Bishop Suffragan for the Armed Forces and Federal Ministries, who offered remarks, an



invocation, and a benediction for the service. Also present was the Rev. Canon Leslie Steffensen, a U.S. Navy veteran and wife of a former nuclear-trained surface warfare officer. RADM Toole and Bishop Wright laid a wreath during the ceremony at the base of the crypt marker that displays the American and Admiral Dewey's personal flags. All agreed the event was very meaningful and successful. Following the event many attendees attended an informal luncheon at the nearby Cactus Cantina Restaurant for an early celebration of Cinco de Mayo.

Submitted by CAPT Vance Morrison, USN (Ret.)



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Two Change Command Ceremonies at Coast Guard Headquarters recently involved friends of the Naval Order. On 24 May, ADM Charles Ray assumed the duties of Vice Commandant from ADM Chuck Michel. ADM Ray recently served as the deputy commandant of operations where he led the development of Coast Guard operational strategy, policy, guidance and resources to address Coast Guard and national priorities....

"To the men and women of the Coast Guard, you are the world's greatest Coast Guard, and I am truly humbled and honored to serve as your 31st vice commandant," said Ray. "I will dedicate myself to work for you, and alongside you, to ensure that we are ready to answer the call when our nation needs us."

On 1 June, with President Trump presiding, ADM Paul F. Zukunft was relieved as commandant of the USCG by ADM Karl Schultz during a military change-of-command ceremony.

Zukunft also retired from the Coast Guard after 41 years of service to the nation as part of the same ceremony and received the Homeland Security Distinguished Service Medal from President Donald J. Trump.

"Truly, Mr. President, you honor the men and women of the United States Coast Guard serving around the world today as 2018 was the largest appropriation ever for the Coast Guard," said Zukunft. "But it's not about the money or the platforms, it's the people who serve in them. The work they do could not be more relevant. We couldn't do our job without them."

A change-of-command is a time-honored ceremony that signifies the absolute transfer of responsibility, authority and accountability from one person to another.



ADM Charles Ray and his wife Donna - Official USCG photo.

Submitted by MCCS Bob Hansen from official United States Coast Guard News

# FROM THE ARCHIVES

A year ago, I introduced the "From the Archives..." column. In that first article the story of the first meeting of the Naval Order, 4 July 1890, was published. Two of the first three members were Philbrooks. I have recently taken possession of all of the original applications that exist, fresh from the Cushing Library at Texas A&M University and have begun the process of adding all Naval Order Companions into our database and scanning each application for historical research purposes of the future.

In processing Companions 0001 and 0002, Charles Calhoun Philbrook and Charles Frederick Bacon Philbrook, I did some additional research to fill in their data. (There were no application forms in July 1890). I discovered that Charles Frederick Bacon was the son of Charles Calhoun. From the 1902 tome, "A National Register of the Society, Sons of the American Revolution, Volume 1", I discovered that Charles Frederick Bacon was a Son of the America Revolution. Herein I discovered his rich family history regarding the military services during the American Revolution.

### He was the:

- great<sup>3</sup>-grandson of Thompson Bacon, private in Massachusetts troops
- great²-grandson of Ebenezer Clark, Jr, Sergeant in Massachusetts Continental, foot and body guard to General Washington
- great<sup>2</sup>-grandson of Benjamin Robbins, private in Massachusetts Continental troops, pensioned
- great²-grandson of Samuel Clough, Sr, private Second New Hampshire Foot
- great²-grandson of John Sly, Sr. Master armed privateer "RUTH" (Naval service)
- great²-grandson of Benjamin Sinclair, Private New Hampshire Continental troops
- great³-grandson of Thomas Sinclair, private New Hampshire Continental troops
- great²-grandson of Jonathan Willson, Jr, private in Massachusetts Militia
- great<sup>3</sup>-grandson of Jonathan Willson, Captain Middlesex County Massachusetts Minutemen, killed at Concord fight
- great<sup>3</sup>-grandson of John Robinson, Colonel of Massachusetts Volunteers Continental Service
- great³-grandson of Ebenezer Page, Private in Massachusetts Militia
- great<sup>3</sup>-grandson of William Wild, Sr, private and fifer in Massachusetts Militia Continental Service.

It's worth noting here that Charles Frederick Bacon Philbrook's application for admittance into the Massachusetts Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, was signed by L(uther) L(ewis) Tarbell, Companion 0008.

I continued on to the next applications and when I got to Companion 0014 - it was another Philbrook - Alfred Spooner Philbrook, who as it turned out was the father of Charles

# FROM THE ARCHIVES CONT..../MEMBERSHIP

Calhoun and great grandfather of Frederick Bacon. According to the "The American Historical Register and Monthly Gazette Of The Historic, Military And Patriotic-hereditary Societies Of The United States Of America, Volume 1", Alfred Spooner was a "Volunteer, who, too young to enlist, was present with the Company in which his father, Benjamin, served, at Fort McClary, New Hampshire: 1812. Subsequently a Private in the Vermont Militia: 1815"

The Naval Order was established in 1890 to commemorate and honor the survivors and descendants of those who performed Naval service in the wars or battles in which the US Navy has participated; something, that until 1890, was not in existence. As I continue to scan these early applications for our founding Naval Order Companions, I'm constantly awed by the caliber of their Naval experiences and that all of their ancestors had played roles in the Revolution, the War of 1813, the Civil War and more.

Submitted by CAPT M. K. Carlock, USN, (Ret.)

# Welcome New Companions!

### Charleston

CDR Gerald Allen Davidson, USN (Ret.) CAPT Ronald Lanuza Ravelo, USN (Ret.)

## Continental

ENS Robert Brice Moore, USN Mr. Eric Matthew Motley

# **National Capitol**

The Honorable Raymond Edwin Mabus, Jr

# Newport

Mrs. Gina Granados Palmer Brig Gen Joseph Norman Waller, USAF (Ret.)

### Northwest

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# IN MEMORIAM

In the Spring 2018 "In Memoriam" column we erroneously listed a very much alive Mary Kelly Piotrowski as deceased. We are embarrassed to have made that mistake, but are so grateful she is still with us. We extend our sincere apology to Mary, her husband, Roman, and her son, Luke.

If you hear of the passing of your fellow companions, please get that information to the Registrar General as soon as possible.

Send all contact info changes to: CAPT M. K. Carlock 929 Willow St. Martinez, CA 94553, or 415.725.2101, or M.K.Carlock@gmail.com.

# We note the passing of our fellow companions. May their memories be a blessing.

# Mr. Frederick Alan Hartmann

Joined 09 October 2012 Died 05 March 2018

# CAPT James Noel Higdon, USN (Ret.)

Joined 22 June 2016 Died 04 March 2018

### Mr. Robert Arthur Burke

Joined 01 November 2010 Died 01 January 2018

# CDR James Alton "Al" Chinn, USNR (Ret.)

Joined 17 September 1999 Died 08 March 2018

### RADM Larry Bruce Franklin, USN (Ret.)

Joined 08 June 1989 Died 14 January 2018

# CDR Thomas Joseph Gorman, USN (Ret.)

Joined 30 April 1997 Died 24 April 2018

# VADM James Clarence Irwin, USCG (Ret.)

Joined 13 March 1989 Died 21 March 2018

### Mr. John Aleck Mino

Joined 02 August 2010 Died 04 May 2018

# CAPT Jack Francis Ritter, Jr., USN (Ret.)

Joined 02 April 2005 Died 08 March 2018

# CDR Douglas Waldemar Stopkey, USN (Ret.)

Joined 01 May 1989

Died 10 April 2018

# CAPT Dean Taylor, Jr., USN (Ret.)

Joined 22 December 1994 Died 13 February 2018

# RADM Philip Arthur Whitacre, USN (Ret.)

Joined 01 November 1977

Died 2018

# 2018 NATIONAL CONGRESS PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

TUESDAY 10/23		0900-0905	Credentials Committee Report	
		0905-0920	Commander General's Report	
0730-1800	Optional Excursion National Museum of the	0920-0935	Recorder General's Report	
	Pacific War (Nimitz Museum) Fredericksburg	0935-0950	Registrar General's Report	
		0950-1000	BREAK	
WEDNESDAY 10/24		1000-1015	Membership Report	
		1015-1030	Commandery Support Report	
0730-1800	Registration Desk/Welcome	1030-1045	Communications Report	
0900-1200:	Optional Tour Briscoe Western Art	1100-1200	Presentation by Texas Naval Historian (TBD)	
	Museum OR On-Your-Own Options	1230-1400	DSSA-SE/LCDR Lee Douglas Award Luncheon	
Lunch	(individually arranged)		Award Luncheon:	
1300-1345	Communications Committee	1415-1420	General Session Reconvenes/Remarks	
1400-1445	Membership and Retention Committee	1420-1520	Presentation by Don Kehn Jr.	
1500-1545	Commandery Support	1520-1530	Administrative Remarks	
1600-1645	Investment Committee	Dinner	individually arranged	
1700-1745	Finance and Audit Committee	1800:	Optional Tour/Night Out Option	
1600-1645	Foundation Board	2100-2300:	Hospitality Suite	
Dinner	(individually arranged)			
2100-2300	Hospitality Suite	SATURDAY 10/27		

THURSDAY 10/25		0730-0830:	Continental Breakfast	
			0830-0840	General Session Reconvenes/Remarks
	0730-1130	Registration Desk	0840-0900	Historian General Report
	0800-0845	Historian General's Committee	0900-0915	Auditor General Report
	0800-0845	Awards Committee	0915-0930	National Investment Committee Report
	0900-0945	By-Law Constitution Committee	0930-0945	National Finance Committee Report
	0900-0945	Site Committee	0945-1000	BREAK
	1000-1145	General Council	1000-1015	Awards Committee Report
	Lunch	(individually arranged)	1015-1030	Project Manager Report
	1330-1600:	Optional Tour Alamo OR	1030-1045	Site Committee Report
		On-Your-Own Options	1045-1100	President Naval Order Foundation Report
	1800-2000:	Commander General's Reception	1115-1215	Presentation by Marc Liebman
	Dinner	(individually arranged)	1230-1400	ADM George Dewey/CG Medal and Certificate
	2100-2300:	Hospitality Suite		Awards Luncheon
			1415-1420	General Session Reconvenes/Remarks
FRIDAY 10/26		1420-1520	Presentation by James Hornfischer	
			1520-1530	General Sessions Ends/Final Remarks
	0700-0830	Continental Breakfast	1800-1900:	DSSA Cocktail Reception
	0830-0900	General Session – Opening Ceremonies	1900-2200:	Distinguished Sea Service Award Banquet
		Administrative remarks by Congress Host	2200:	Congress officially concludes
			2230-2400	Hospitality Suite







# Details of the 2018 Naval Order Congress Excursions and Tours 24 October – 28 October 2018

# National Museum of the Pacific War

\$50 per person, transportation and admission included Tuesday, 23 October, departing at 0730 and returning at 1700

The Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz Museum was established on February 24, 1967 in the restored Nimitz "Steamboat" Hotel in Fredericksburg, Tx. Over the years, the Museum has since expanded to occupy a six-acre campus and has grown to accommodate the Memorial Courtyard, the Plaza of Presidents and the Japanese Garden of Peace. In 2000, the complex was renamed Admiral Nimitz State Historic Site - National Museum of the Pacific War and is dedicated exclusively to the Pacific Theater battles of World War II.

The expanded George H. W. Bush Gallery was opened in 2009. The Gallery's state-of-the-art 33,000 square foot exhibition features 40 media installations, approximately 900 artifacts in 97 climate-controlled cases, 15 macro-artifacts, and hundreds of photographs. Two blocks east of the main campus is the Pacific Combat Zone with macro-artifacts and regularly scheduled combat re-enactments.







# The Briscoe Western Art Museum

\$30 per person, transportation and admission included Wednesday, 24 October, departing at 1000 and returning at 1230

The Briscoe Western Art Museum, named in honor of the late Texas Governor, Dolph Briscoe, Jr. and his wife, Janey, preserves and interprets the art, history, and culture of the American West through engaging exhibitions, educational programs, and public events reflective of the region's rich traditions and shared heritage.

Located on San Antonio's famed River Walk, the institution is housed in San Antonio's first Public Library and newly constructed pavilion designed by a nationally recognized architecture firm. The Briscoe Campus consists of the historic Museum building, the Jack Guenther Pavilion and the adjacent McNutt Sculpture Garden spread across one-and-a-quarter acres in downtown San Antonio.

# The Alamo

\$40 per person, transportation and admission included Thursday, 25 October, departing at 1330 and returning at 1600

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