

NEWPORT COUNTY COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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Navy League of the United States Citizens in Support of the Sea Services

OCTOBER 2010 (Shirley A. Hill-Editor)

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Dear fellow Navy Leaguers:

I know pride is one of the seven (7) deadly sins, but I am sure I'll be forgiven if I say how proud I am to assume the Presidency of the Newport Council of the Navy League. Former President Mike Slein is a tough act to follow, but I feel if I tread in his footsteps carefully good things will happen. Mike, thank you for your service as President, and don't go far away, please!

I am the first President of the council to serve who have no previous military experience. As such, it is my goal to bring Navy League membership enrollment to the attention of the good businesses, professionals and families of Newport County who have not served while realizing the huge commitment of those who have. By increasing our membership and awareness of the Mission of the Navy League locally, we will best serve our Sea Services members and their families.

These are extraordinary times in every single possible way -unprecedented local, national and global economic unpredictability; wars of terrorism; massive unemployment; a populace less and less interested in participating in volunteerism and the speed of information, thanks to the internet, are all impacting our lives daily and in most significant ways.

The Navy League like so many other volunteer organizations is suffering from fatigue and loss of membership and income in this malaise. Every effort possible is being made at the National level to stimulate membership growth, the life blood and strength of our organization, and to carry the Mission forward. As a council we are actively involved in the National organization and are kept well informed by our Council Board members who are also National Board of Directors: Mike Slein, Shirley Hill and George Wardwell, who is also the New England Region President. Tony Cercena recently became National Director Emeritus but is still active in attending National meetings. Thanks to their representation at the national level we are kept up- to-date and informed with the latest and best information.

The Navy League is not an ordinary social club, it has important and valuable work to do and as the new Council President I am asking each member to do their part in helping us increase our membership and carry out our Mission. We need each member to stand up and join us in carrying out our important Mission of support of our men and women of the Sea Services. We have approximately ten events a year in which we pay tribute to and honor our local service men and women. It would be wonderful if each of you would make an effort to attend one, two or three of these events in 2011. Bring your family and friends. Make this the year you show your appreciation of our local service men and women through the Navy League. We would like to increase communication with our members through use of the internet. If you have an email address please ensure we have the correct address, this could be a great help when we have to get information out on short notice, such as when ships are available for tours.

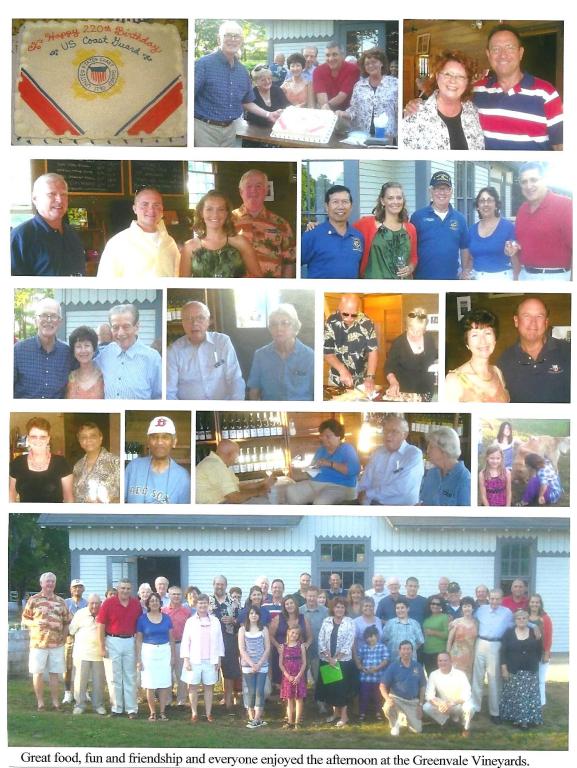
We have finally found space for our NETC Sea Cadet meetings and training thanks to Captain Voboril, commanding officer of the Newport Naval Station command. The NETC SEA Cadets are looking for youth between ages 11-17 interested in learning skills in seamanship, seagoing subjects, developing a sense of patriotism, self-reliance, confidence and good citizenship traits while having fun. Our annual end of year fundraising letter was sent out recently, this is a very personal way to make your interest and support count. Do what you can and thank you. I wish you all "A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON"

Anne Huot, President



NEWPORT COUNTY NAVY LEAGUE HOST THE U.S. COAST GUARD'S 220th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

The annual wine tasting and pot luck reception at the Greenvale Vineyard in Portsmouth, RI sponsored by the Newport Council was held 13 August to celebrate the U.S. Coast Guard's 220th birthday. The event was organized by Council Director Eric Shaw. "Well Done!! Eric." The event was well attended by Navy Leaguers and local Coast Guard commands. (Photos by Tony Cercena)



(Photos: Tony Cercena)

NEWPORT NAVAL COMPLEX 2009 JUNIOR OFFICER OF YEAR HONORED

The Newport County Navy League and the Rotary Club of Portsmouth co-sponsored a Reception/Dinner for the Newport Naval Complex "2009 Junior Officer of the Year" on Tuesday, 31 August 2010 at the Valley Inn, Portsmouth, Rhode Island. Lieutenant Hollon, described by his command as a model Naval Officer, an exceptional leader and role model is assigned to the Surface Warfare Officers School Command, Newport, RI as Damage Control and Safety/Material Readiness Instructor, a post normally filled by a Commander. An officer with exceptional drive and motivation LT Hollon's professional performance of his duties has consistently received positive critiques from officers of all experience levels, praising his exemplary level of knowledge as well as his dynamic teaching style.

The ceremonies were opened by Peter Schenck, President of the Portsmouth Rotary Club followed by a Welcome from Anne Huot, President of the Newport County Navy League. Remarks were made by Captain Joseph P. Voboril, Commanding Officer, Naval Station Newport, representatives from the Town of Portsmouth (Counselor Jim Seveney) and Counselor Teresa Santos from the Town of Middletown.



LT David C. Hollon, USN

NEWPORT COUNTY COUNCIL NAVY LEAGUE RECOGNIZED

Mike Slein, outgoing President of Newport Council Navy League receives plaque for "OUTSTANDING COUNCIL" from Navy League National President Daniel B. Branch at the Navy League National Convention held in Jacksonville, FL October 20-24 2010.



UPCOMING EVENT

CLASS 78 NAVAL STAFF COLLEGE WELCOME LUNCHEON- 28 JANUARY 2011 AT 12 NOON, BEST WESTERN INN

"500" CHOW DOWN AT WELCOME ABOARD VENTURE EVENT (WAVE)

Five hundred incoming new students enjoy hamburgers, hot dogs, the Navy Band Northeast, a tug of war competition, and a karate demonstration at the Chapel of Hope, Naval Station Newport on 15 August 2010. Three hundred of students present were from the Naval Academy Prep School. Navy Leaguers Anne Huot (President, Newport Council Navy League), Shirley Hill, (NLUS National Director), George Wardwell (NLUS Region President New England) and Tony Cercena (NLUS Director Emeritus) were volunteer food servers at the event.







NAVY LEAGUERS ATTEND SENEDIA LUNCHEON

Navy Leaguers Mike Slein and Tony Cercena attend the Southeastern New England Defense Industry Alliance (SENEDIA) sponsored luncheon 6 August 2010. Congressman Jim Langevin was guest speaker.





Above: (Left) NLUS National Director Mike Slein converses with Congressman Langevin. (Right) NLUS National Director Emeritus Tony Cercena poses with outgoing Providence Mayor and newly elected Congressman David N. Cicilline.

SPONSORS NEEDED

Sponsors needed for five (5) month Naval Staff College Class 78 which convenes January 2011 and graduates 10 June 2011. There are 39 students from 37 countries. Roy Callahan, a long time sponsor states "If you have not sponsored before, the work load is minimal and the reward of meeting these outstanding international officers is really great". Contact Roy at 401-849-8572 or email: royc@alum.rpi.edu. Or Cindy Martin: 401-841-4782 email: Cynthia.martin@usnwc.edu.

NAVY LEAGUERS TOUR VISITING USS TRUXTON

The guided missile destroyer USS Truxton (DDG-103) commissioned in April 2009 visits Newport, RI. Navy League members and their guests were given a tour of this impressive 9,200-ton destroyer on 6 August by its CO, Commander John Ferguson and his crew.(Photos: Tony Cercena)



TOP SENIOR ENLISTED ACADEMY GRADUATES RECOGNIZED

Newport Council President Anne Huot attends the graduation of Senior Enlisted Academy Class 154 on September 2, 2010 and presented certificates of achievement to five outstanding graduates. Vice Admiral Michael Vitale, Commander Naval Installations Command, was guest speaker. SEA Director CMDCM Charles Dassance honored Chaplain Biadog, Naval Station Newport's Senior Staff Chaplain in recognition of his support while stationed at the Chapel of Hope. Chaplain Biadog transferred to Bangor, WA 14 September and will be deployed to Afghanistan January 2011. Chaplain Biadog also served as the Newport Council Chaplain while stationed at Naval Station Newport.



NEWPORT COUNCIL NAVY LEAGUE IS PROUD TO RECOGNIZE ITS BUSINESS PARTNERS

TO OUR SIXTEEN YEAR ROUND LOCAL BUSINESS PARTNERS WHO THROUGH THEIR MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTES SIGNIFICANTLY TO OUR ABILITY TO PROVIDE NUMEROUS PROGRAMS FOR OUR SEA SERVICES MEN AND WOMEN – "THANK YOU" "HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON"

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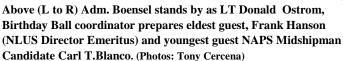
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NAVAL STATION NEWPORT CELEBRATES NAVY'S 235th BIRTHDAY

Navy Leaguers were among the 360 who celebrated the Navy's 235th Birthday 2 October 2010. The annual Birthday Ball was held at the Officer's Club, Rear Admiral Mark S. Boensel, Commander, Navy Region Mid-Atlantic, was the guest speaker.

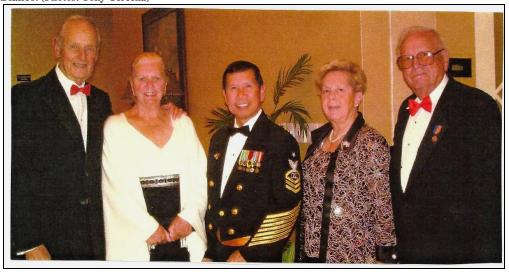








Above: (L to R) Navy Leaguers Peg, Vic, Angela, Tony



(Left to right): Navy Leaguers Mr. & Mrs. Dick Boreri, Tony Cercena, Ginny Hanson and Frank Hanson. Navy Leaguer Ginny Hanson was named ELKS Veteran of the Year at a dinner 14 November at the Newport Elks Lodge, Middletown, RI. "CONGRATULATIONS GINNY"

NCBC SEA CADETS TEAMS WITH USCG STATION CASTLE HILL AT OPENING CEREMONIES OF URI/BROWN UNIVERSITY BASKETBALL GAME



Above (LtoR): MK3 Massey & MIDN Stabile

(To left): NCBC teamed with USCG Station Castle Hill in opening ceremonies for the basketball game between URI and Brown University at the Ryan Center. USCG MK3 Marissa Massey and NCBC MIDN Stephanie Stabile had the honor of presenting the game ball just before tip-off, to thunderous applause. The URI ROTC color guard presented colors with the national anthem just prior to this moment. MIDN Stabile is an ROTC candidate at URI. (Photo and comments: David Kerwood, Commanding Officer, NCBC Battalion of Rhode Island).

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"ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND OUR MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS AT 4:00PM THE 1st MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE BEST WESTERN MAINSTAY INN"