



**Newport County Council**  
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## **Events That Matter**

Throughout the year many events have taken place where Newport Council made an impact on individuals above and beyond the norm. These moments are among the most important the Council can give our sea service members who deserve the recognition and gratitude of all. Navy League is totally dedicated to supporting all members of the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and Merchant Marine and that is why your participation matters.

### **USNSCC Region 1-4 Naval Sea Cadet Ball**



The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Naval Sea Cadet Ball - March 31, 2018

The Naval Sea Cadet Corps and Navy League Cadet Corps are federally chartered, youth training organizations, which help youths, ages 10-18, to explore careers in the Navy and Coast Guard, both ashore and afloat. Providing positive role models for young adults, the Naval Sea Cadet Corps objectives are to develop good citizenship, self-discipline, a greater sense of responsibility, and leadership skills. This program is open to all young Americans regardless of race, color, creed or sex. For more information on Sea Cadets visit the National web page: <http://seacadets.org/>

## *Rhode Island Sea Cadet Information*

Two Naval Sea Cadet units are based in the Ocean State – FALCON Division, serving the Providence metro area and located at Fields Point, and NCBC Battalion, serving southern Rhode Island and the East Bay, and located at Quonset Point and at Naval Station Newport, Rhode Island's Sea Cadets can be found on the web at <http://www.riseacadets.org>



## **Future USS Thomas Hudner to be Commissioned in Boston**

On June 12, Secretary of the Navy Richard V. Spencer announced the newest Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer, Pre Commissioning Unit Thomas Hudner (DDG 116), will be commissioned during a ceremony Saturday, Dec. 1, 2018 in Boston.

Thomas Hudner, commanded by Cmdr. Nathan Scherry, a Peculiar, Missouri native, is the 66th Arleigh Burke-class destroyer, and the 36th DDG 51 class destroyer built by GD Bath Iron Works (BIW). It is the first warship named for naval aviator and Medal of Honor recipient Capt. Thomas J. Hudner.

Hudner, a native of Fall River, Massachusetts, received the Medal of Honor for his heroic actions during the Battle of the Chosin Reservoir in 1950. Hudner crash landed his plane in an unsuccessful effort to save the life of his wingman and friend, Ensign Jesse Brown, the Navy's first African American combat pilot.



In fall of 2015, the keel of Thomas Hudner was laid down. The ship was christened on April 1, 2017 during a snowy ceremony at the BIW shipyard in Bath, Maine and launched several weeks later on April 23.

Arleigh Burke (DDG 51 class) class destroyers are highly-capable, multi-mission ships that conduct a variety of operations, from peacetime presence to national security. These DDGs provide a wide range of warfighting capabilities in multi-threat air, surface, and subsurface environments. The ship's Integrated Air and Missile Defense radar will provide increased computing power and radar upgrades that improve detection and reaction capabilities against modern air warfare threats, as well as ballistic missile defense. The Aegis Combat System will enable the ship to link radars with other ships and aircraft to provide a composite picture of the battle space, and effectively increase the theater space. New ships in this class, such as Thomas Hudner, have anti-ballistic missile capabilities as well. The DDG's all-steel construction provides a survivable platform.

After commissioning in Boston, she will make her way to homeport in Mayport, Florida.

**Supporting the Crew of the USS THOMAS  
HUDNER Now and Into the Future!**

Sponsoring the commissioning of the USS THOMAS HUDNER (DDG 116) is a unique opportunity for you, your business, or your family to support a time-honored event in the life of every US Navy ship.

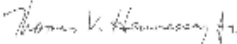
Dignitaries, other special honored guests, and the general public are welcomed to a ceremony steeped in tradition in which the vessel becomes a United States Ship and its Commanding Officer and crew formally come aboard and bring the ship to life.

While the US Navy underwrites many aspects of the commissioning, the host city's committee takes responsibility for planning and supporting events and activities for the crew and their families during their visit to Boston. We also hope to make a lasting impact on her crew by endowing a scholarship fund in Captain Hudner's name as well as provide opportunities for school children to learn the inspiring story of this American hero.

Donations to the USS THOMAS HUDNER Commissioning Committee will support activities and items, such as:

- Special activities and events for the crew and their family members while in Boston.
- Gifts to the Ship's plankowners/crew.
- Establish a scholarship through the Anchor Scholarship Foundation for members of the crew and their families to pursue their higher education goals and dreams.
- Special events during the week the of the Ship's commissioning.

We hope you will consider generously supporting our efforts.



CAPT Thomas V. Henneissey, Jr., USN (Ret.)  
Chair, USS THOMAS HUDNER Commissioning Committee

**Sponsorship Levels and Benefits**

Additional sponsorship opportunities are available ranging from \$5,000 - \$100,000. Please contact the USS THOMAS HUDNER Commissioning Committee at [usshudnerddg116@gmail.com](mailto:usshudnerddg116@gmail.com) for more information.

**All Commissioning Sponsors will receive the following benefits:**

- Listing as a sponsor in Commissioning Committee's donor recognition publication to be distributed at Commissioning Committee supported events during the week.
- Contribution made to the USS THOMAS HUDNER Crew & Legacy Fund.

**Lieutenant**

**\$2,500**

- 6 preferred invitations for the Commissioning Ceremony (*in the reserved sponsor section*) and Post-Commissioning Reception.
- An honorary plank owner certificate.
- 6 USS THOMAS HUDNER ship's crest lapel pins, 6 commemorative commissioning coins, and 3 USS THOMAS HUDNER ball caps.
- Listing as a sponsor on the USS THOMAS HUDNER Commissioning Committee's website.

*The estimated value of the benefits you will receive is \$140.*

**Ensign**

**\$1,000**

- 4 preferred invitations for the Commissioning Ceremony (*in the reserved sponsor section*) and Post-Commissioning Reception.
- 4 USS THOMAS HUDNER ship's crest lapel pins, 4 commemorative commissioning coins, and 2 USS THOMAS HUDNER ball caps.
- Listing as a sponsor on the USS THOMAS HUDNER Commissioning Committee's website.

*The estimated value of the benefits you will receive is \$76.*

**Master Chief Petty Officer**

**\$500**

- 2 invitations for the Commissioning Ceremony (*in the reserved sponsor section*) and Post-Commissioning Reception.
- 2 USS THOMAS HUDNER ship's crest lapel pins and 2 commemorative commissioning coins.

*The estimated value of the benefits you will receive is \$18.*

**Seaman**

**\$100**

- 2 invitations for the Commissioning Ceremony (*in the reserved sponsor section*) and Post-Commissioning Reception.
- 2 USS THOMAS HUDNER ship's crest lapel pins.

*The estimated value of the benefits you will receive is \$4.*

*A portion of all sponsorships are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.*

The USS THOMAS HUDNER Commissioning Committee is a committee of the Massachusetts Bay Council of the Navy League of the United States, a 501(c)(3) non-profit educational organization. Our tax identification number is 04-2783171.



## Military Appreciation Night & Annual Dinner

The Newport Council Navy League will host its annual *Military Appreciation Night and Annual Dinner* on Thursday, 9 August at the Cambria Atlantic Resort in Middletown.

This annual event will honor the local leadership teams of the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and Merchant Marine and the top performers of the Sea Services. Local Business and Government leaders will attend to recognize our military men and women who contribute to our Newport community. Our guest speaker is to be Dr. Chris C. Demchak, Ph.D., who holds the RDML Grace M. Hopper Professor of Cyber Security Chair and Director, Center for Cyber Conflict Studies (C3S), US Naval War College.

Our Rhode Island Sea Cadets will serve as ushers and provide “posting of the colors”.

Tickets may be purchased on line for \$50.00 at the Council Web Site: [www.newportnavyleague.us](http://www.newportnavyleague.us). \$25.00 of this amount can be claimed as a taxable deduction, and supports hosting Military Members and spouses to the event at no cost. We encourage all members to bring a non-member.

The attendance usually numbers more than 100 Sea Service members of the command Leadership Teams and 200-300 local business and government attendees, including our Navy League Community Affiliates. Music is provided by the Navy Band Northeast. Please join us to honor our Sea Service men and women who do so much for our National Security and our local community on a daily basis.

### SUMMER CONCERT SERIES AT THE O’CLUB:

Fridays from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.	Saturdays from 6 to 9 p.m.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• June 29: Becky Chace Band—Acoustic, Country, Blues, Rock, Pop</li> <li>• July 6: Lounge Duo/Trio—Pop &amp; Jazz</li> <li>• July 13: The Vegas Lords—Rock</li> <li>• July 20: Blackstone River Boys- Country, Bluegrass, Folk &amp; Celtic</li> <li>• July 27: The Natick's—Rock</li> <li>• August 3: The Big Payback—Classic Hits</li> <li>• August 10: Greg Hodde's Blue Reign—Blues, Rock &amp; Metal</li> <li>• August 17: Sure Thing - 6 piece Swing, Motown, R&amp;B</li> <li>• August 24: The Teledyne's—Blues, Country &amp; Swing</li> <li>• August 31: Blackstone River Boys- Country, Bluegrass, Folk &amp; Celtic</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• June 30: Matt Kearns- Classical, Jazz, Rock, Pop</li> <li>• July 7: Outcry—Classic Rock</li> <li>• July 14: Two Across—Acoustical</li> <li>• July 21: Liz Boudreau Trio—Country, Rock, Top 40</li> <li>• July 28: Chet Matteson Duo- Rock, Blues</li> <li>• August 4: Acoustical Groove—Rock</li> <li>• August 11: Acoustical Groove—Rock</li> <li>• August 18: Lounge Duo/Trio—Pop &amp; Jazz</li> <li>• September 1: Changes In Latitude—Jimmy Buffet Tribute Band</li> </ul>
<p>Officer’s Club events are open to active duty personnel, retirees, reservists, eligible family members, DoD civilians and contractors with base access. The Officer’s Club is open to ALL Hands—stop in for some great food and great live entertainment with a million\$\$\$\$\$ view!</p>	

## Cyber Tip Of The Month



# Creating a Cyber Secure Home

## 1 SECURING YOURSELF

Cyber attackers have learned that the easiest way to get something is to simply ask for it. As such, common sense is your best defense. If a message or phone call seems odd, suspicious or too good to be true, it may be an attack. Here are some examples:

Phishing emails are emails designed to fool you into opening an infected attachment or clicking on a malicious link. These emails can be very convincing; they may appear to come from a friend or organization you know. Sometimes cyber attackers even use details from your social media accounts to craft customized phishing attacks.

Someone calls you pretending to be Microsoft tech support. They claim that your computer is infected, when they are really just cyber criminals that want access to your computer or want you to buy their fake anti-virus software.

## 2 SECURING YOUR HOME NETWORK

Your Wi-Fi router (also called a Wi-Fi Access Point) is a physical device that controls who can connect to your wireless network at home:

Always change the default admin password on your Wi-Fi router to a strong password only you know.

Configure your Wi-Fi network so that if anyone wants to join it, they have to use a password. In addition, always configure your wireless network to use the latest encryption, which is currently WPA2.

Be aware of all the devices connected to your home network, including baby monitors, gaming consoles, TVs or perhaps even your car.

## 3 SECURING YOUR COMPUTERS / DEVICES

Here are some steps to protect any device connected to your home network:

Ensure all devices are protected by a strong PIN or passcode and always running the latest version of their software. Whenever possible, enable automatic updating.

If possible, have two computers at home, one for parents and one for kids. If you are sharing a computer, make sure you have separate accounts for everyone and that kids do not have privileged access.

Computers should have a firewall and anti-virus installed, enabled and running the latest version.

Before disposing of computers or mobile devices, be sure they are wiped of any personal information. For mobile devices, this can be done by selecting the option for a secure reset of the device.

*"As technology becomes more important in our personal lives, so does securing it. Here are some fundamental steps you should always take to help protect yourself and your family."*

Lori Rosenberg - Intuit

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## 4 SECURING YOUR ACCOUNTS / PASSWORDS

You most likely have a tremendous number of accounts online and on your devices and computers. Here are some key steps to protecting them:

Always use long passwords that are hard to guess. Use passphrases when possible. These are passwords that have multiple words, such as "Where is My Coffee?"

Use a different password for each of your accounts and devices. Can't remember all of your strong passwords? We recommend you use a password manager to securely store them. This is a computer program that securely stores all of your passwords in an encrypted vault.

Use two-step verification whenever possible. Two-step verification is when you need a password and something else to log in to your account, such as a code sent to your smartphone.

On social media sites, post only what you want the public to see. Assume anything you post will eventually be seen by your parents or boss.

## 5 WHAT TO DO WHEN HACKED

No matter how secure you are, sooner or later, you may be hacked:

Create regular backups of all your personal information. If your computer or mobile device is hacked, the only way you can recover all of your personal information may be from backups.

If one of your online accounts has been hacked, immediately log in and change the password to a strong, unique password. If you no longer have access, contact the company.

Monitor your credit cards. If you see any charges you do not recognize, call the credit card company right away.

### ABOUT THE POSTER

This poster was developed as a community project by the following security professionals:

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## "Military Women"

The 2018 MILWOMEN National Convention will be held this year in San Diego, CA: "America's Finest City"! Hosted by San Diego Stars & Stripes Unit #36, this year's National Convention will be held at the Handlery Resort & Hotel in Mission Valley, 950 Hotel Circle North. Special Room rates are available for \$119 (Single/Double/Triple/Quad).

The Convention dates are 4-7 September (week after Labor Day), and we're planning a hosted Old Town Trolley Tour around the area on Tuesday plus a Hornblower Dinner Cruise Wednesday evening during the Convention. The pre-BOD/NEC meetings will be held on Tuesday, and the post-BOD/NEC meetings will be Friday morning.

Registrations received by 1 July are eligible for an opportunity drawing among all early registrations for two matinee tickets to the Broadway Civic Theater's Phantom of the Opera on Sunday, 2 September! Regular registration deadline is 1 Aug 2018, and \$25 late fee after that.

## **First Command Financial Services Presented Membership Plaque**

Two members of our local Navy League Board of Directors visited our newest Community Affiliate, First Command Financial Services, to present their membership plaque on Wednesday, June 13, 2018. The plaque is provided by the Navy League National Headquarters to recognize those local companies who support the Navy League through their Company membership. All are listed on our site, <http://www.newportnavyleague.us/>, with links to their Company sites.



Pictured Above: Ryan Satherlie, First Command Financial Advisor, Walter Wasowski, Newport County NLUS Membership Chairperson, Claudia Ruoti, First Command Financial Advisor, Mike Slein, Newport County NLUS First Vice-President, Bill Nolan, First Command Financial Advisor

# Marines Stage on Expeditionary Mobile Base Ship USS Puller for Real-World Operation

By RICHARD R. BURGESS, Managing Editor \*\*Reprinted with the permission of Seapower magazine, the official publication of the Navy League of the United States.

ARLINGTON, Va. — A Marine Air-Ground Task Force-Crisis Response (MAGTF-CR) has used a Navy expeditionary mobile base ship (ESB) for a quick-reaction movement in the Persian Gulf, the task force commander said.

Speaking June 8 to the Potomac Institute, Col. Christopher Gideons, commander of SPMAGTF-CR-Central Command from August 2017 to April, said that elements of the task force were called upon to stage to the United Arab Emirates in preparation for a maritime intercept operation (MIO) in the region.

After arrival, the task elements staged to the USS Lewis B. Puller, a newly commissioned ESB assigned to the U.S. Fifth Fleet that supports a variety of forces including mine countermeasures forces, special operations forces, patrol boats and other units.

Gideons said MV-22B Osprey tiltrotor transport aircraft were staged to the flight deck of Puller along with an infantry contingent of about 200 Marines. The MIO of an unspecified nature was planned and rehearsed, he said, but ultimately the force was told to stand down when the MIO was canceled by higher authority.

“The team did a great job,” Gideons said.

He praised the capabilities of the ESB, with its large flight deck, spacious hangar deck and rotorcraft refueling capability.

One challenge of the operation was getting needed gear on the ship and sustaining the force, he noted.

The use of an alternate platform — the ESB — in this case was necessitated by the lack of an amphibious ready group (ARG) with an embarked Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), as pointed out during the presentation by retired Marine Corps Commandant Gen. Alfred M. Gray Jr., who also highlighted the shortage of amphibious warfare ships that necessitates the existence of SPMAGTFs.

There was a 100-day gap in the presence of an ARG/MEU when Gideons’ SPMAGTF was in theater, Gideons said.

The SPMAGTF also operated from the French Navy helicopter carrier FS Tonnere during the deployment.

The SPMAGTFs were created in 2014 in response to the 2012 attack on the U.S. government facilities in Benghazi, Libya, in which four Americans were killed in a siege with no ARG/MEU available in the Mediterranean Sea to rescue them.



An MH-60R Seahawk helicopter assigned to Helicopter Maritime Strike Squadron 37 delivers cargo to the expeditionary mobile base USS Lewis B. Puller during a vertical replenishment Jan. 13 in the Arabian Sea. Puller was deployed with the Theodore Roosevelt Carrier Strike Group to the U.S. 5th Fleet area of operations.

(U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Morgan K. Nall)

## **Upcoming Veteran Events:**

- ✓ **RIFC Honor Flight Hub Red, White & Blue Bowl, July 21** from noon to 3 p.m. at Lang's Bowlarama. Email: [bbenjamin@rihonorflight.com](mailto:bbenjamin@rihonorflight.com) or call (401) 345-7905 for more information.
- ✓ **Run to Homebase: Saturday, July 28**, "9K/5K at Fenway Park, Boston ". The Run is a unique fundraising event ending with the unforgettable experience of crossing home plate at historic Fenway. Register and donate today. [Runtohomebase.org](http://Runtohomebase.org)
- ✓ **R.I. National Guard Summer Reunion: Friday, August 3**, NS Newport Officers' Club, Naval Station Newport; \$28.50 per person, spouses and guests welcome; cut-off date July 30, early responses greatly appreciated; make checks payable to Bob Antonelli and mail to him at 9 Hurlburt Avenue, Johnston, RI 02919. Questions/concerns please call Bob at 401.996.3764 (cell).
- ✓ **American Legion Post 18 regular meeting, August 7**, 6:45 p.m., Atria Aquidneck Place (125 Quaker Hill Ln., Portsmouth, RI) - 6:15 socialize with resident veterans at Atria Place and the meeting begins at 6:45.
- ✓ **Joint VA Town Hall Meeting, Wednesday, August 8**, 5:30 to 7 p.m., Providence VA Medical Center, 5th Floor Auditorium, 830 Chalkstone Avenue. This open house is hosted by both the Providence VA Medical Center and the Providence VA Regional Office. Veterans, patients, Families and community partners are invited to attend, ask questions, and tell the VA how there're doing. It's also a perfect time to learn about what's new in Veterans' health care and benefits. Point of contact is Win Danielson at 401.457.3369, or via email at [Winfield.DanielsonIII@va.gov](mailto:Winfield.DanielsonIII@va.gov)
- ✓ **Waves for the Brave 2018: August 19** – Adaptive Surf Clinic", Nantasket Beach, Hull, Massachusetts. To register and for questions/more information, contact Jenny McLaughlin at 774.826.1955, or via email at [jen-ny.mclaughlin@va.gov](mailto:jen-ny.mclaughlin@va.gov), or Randi Woodrow at 857.364.4863, or via email at [randi.woodrow@va.gov](mailto:randi.woodrow@va.gov). This is a VA Boston Healthcare Systems event.
- ✓ **Salute to Summer Concert & Fireworks—August 25, NS Newport—gates to the public open at 5 p.m.**
- ✓ **RI National Guard Retirees' Assn. Fall Quarterly Meeting:** Saturday, September 15, 9 a.m. Refreshments, 10 a.m. Speaker,, Schofield Armory, 705 New London Avenue, Cranston. Point of contact is Bob Urquhart at [boburquhart@cox.net](mailto:boburquhart@cox.net). Guest speaker: Cory Bilodeau, Esquire, Tax Attorney; Topic: Personal Income Tax Update.
- ✓ **Vietnam Memorial Moving Wall Parade & Escort, Nov 1**, Ponaganset H.S., CONTACT Chris Stanley at: [cstanley@fgschools.com](mailto:cstanley@fgschools.com) or call (401) 338-6015 for more information.
- ✓ **WaterFire Salute to Veterans, Saturday, Nov. 10**, Providence States House/Basin Area ([www.waterfiresalutetoveterans.org](http://www.waterfiresalutetoveterans.org))





Join us as we remember the  
***"65th Anniversary of the End of the  
Korean War"***

**Friday, July 27 at 5:30 pm at McCoy Stadium**

**The outing will be held in the VIP White Babrecue Tent**

**Tickets are just \$25 per person and include a barbecue spread of hotdogs, hamburgers, pulled BBQ chicken, mac and cheese, lemonade, ice tea, water and chips.**

**The first 50 Korean War Veterans to pre-register are free, provided by the Rhode Island Hospice Veterans Partnership**

**To purchase tickets, please contact Christine Miller at 401-256-2741**



## *Community Affiliate Members*

### **Newport Council Congratulates Community Affiliate**

Newport County Council is pleased to announce that the **Navy Federal Credit Union (NFCU) has renewed their Community Affiliate Member for their 10<sup>th</sup> Year!!** We thank them for their continued support. This local business and others have chosen to support our Chapter and the men and women of the Sea Services by their active support of our Council. We encourage our members to support Navy Federal Credit Union and the other Local Business Associates and Community Affiliate members. Links to their Websites are available on our home page at [www.newportnavyleague.us](http://www.newportnavyleague.us).



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***All Council members are welcome to attend***