

# Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!!

The end of the year is quickly approaching and that means most of us are a bit busy at the least and almost overwhelmed at the worst. Events of this year have given new meaning to the importance of security and responsibility not only for our families and loved ones but our fellow citizens. Even so, we will close the books on one year and welcome the next. This tradition goes much farther back than we do. For many, there is a sigh of relief or moments of comforting thoughts when thinking of the passing year. It is a natural process that just happens. It is the same with all our service members stationed all over the world, most without their families and loved ones. They are doing their duty as they swore they would. We have so much to be thankful for because of them. So when each of us close out 2015 let us never forget all our military who are doing the same in places they would have not chosen but places they are needed. Give them a few moments of thought, a prayer, and most definitely a wish for a brighter future in 2016.

The Navy League of the United States never forgets those who serve and we do so every day of the year. Councils all over the world do so every day. Our members, Business Sponsors and Affiliates demonstrate their commitment by participating and supporting all our events. Thinking is important; DOING is more so! There are so many reasons to support our organization and they will not all be presented here again. Most importantly, we cannot survive as a Nation without a strong Navy and that implicitly implies strong support by our Citizens.



Make 2016 the year each of us take one step further than last year in showing our Military how important they are to all of us. God bless our Military and God Bless America this Christmas Season and Always..

# !!!! CHRISTMAS GREETINGS !!!! from the Newport County Council Board of Directors 2015-2016





# Santa's in a Hurry !!!!!

# 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Newport County Council Military Appreciation Night

Newport Council hosted the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Military Appreciation Night Dinner on July 30, 2015. Guest of Honor was Rear Admiral Gardner P. Howe III, President, U.S. Naval War College. Honored guests for the dinner were local leaders and members of the U.S. Navy, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Coast Guard, and U.S. Merchant Marine.

**Event Sponsors** included Raytheon Integrated Defense Systems and Newport County Chamber of Commerce. **Patron Sponsors** included Booz Allen Hamilton; CAPT Shirley Hill, USN (Ret); CDR Mike Slein, USN (Ret): KMS; McLaughlin Research Corp; Middletown Rotary Club: Purvis Systems; SENEDIA; and CDR Audrion Triplett. **Table Sponsors** included BAE Systems; Hyundai of Newport; MIKEL, Inc.; Portsmouth Rotary Club; Progeny Systems; SEA CORP; and USAA.

## **GUEST OF HONOR**

## REAR ADMIRAL P. GARDNER HOWE, III PRESIDENT U.S. NAVAL WAR COLLEGE



Rear Adm. P. Gardner Howe III is a native of Jacksonville, Florida. He was commissioned in 1984 following his graduation from the United States Naval Academy. He graduated from the Naval Postgraduate School in 1995 with a master of arts in national security affairs (special operations / low-intensity conflict), and from the National War College in 2002 with a master of arts in national security.

Howe's operational assignments have included a full range of duties in the Naval Special Warfare and Joint Special Operations communities. He commanded Naval Special Warfare Unit 3 in Bahrain, Naval Special Warfare Group 3 in San Diego, California, and Special Operations Command, Pacific in Hawaii. His service overseas includes multiple deployments to the western Pacific and Southwest Asia, and participation in Operations Earnest Will, Provide Promise, Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

Howe is the 55th President of the U.S. Naval War College.

His key joint and staff assignments include current operations officer at Special Operations Command, Pacific; chief staff officer, Naval Special Warfare Development Group; assistant chief of staff for Operations, Plans and Policy at Naval Special Warfare Command; director of Legislative Affairs for U.S. Special Operations Command and assistant commanding officer, Joint Special Operations Command.

## **Naval Command College Welcome Picnic**

The Newport County Council hosted a Welcome Picnic for Class 2016, Naval Command College (NCC), at Glenn Park, Portsmouth on September 18th. The class consists of distinguished officers from 48 countries and, in some cases, their families have joined them in Newport for the year. This annual event hosted by Council is always a great opportunity to welcome these special officers and their families to the community. It also brings together many Council members who enjoy this event and have attended for many years.

Countries represented in the class include: Algeria, Australia, Bangladesh, Benin, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Egypt, Estonia, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, India, Indonesia, Israel, Japan, Jordan, Korea, Kuwait, Lebanon, Lithuania, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, , South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Taiwan, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, and the United States.





















## The Naval Command College

In the Naval Command College (NCC), senior international officers pursue eleven months of graduate level study in residence. Annually, the U.S. Navy Chief of Naval Operations personally invites his counterparts in selected countries to nominate students for the NCC.

Begun in 1956, NCC's vision is to foster knowledge, friendship, and cooperation among navies from around the world. In so doing, NCC not only educates these officers in planning, decision making, strategic analysis, and naval and joint military operations but greatly strengthens understanding and builds trust and confidence between American and international officers.

The NCC program has five major pillars: orientation, the core curriculum, electives, the Field Studies Program (DOC), and the cultural exchange.

International students are fully integrated with their U.S. counterparts in the College of Naval Warfare (CNW). Although international students do not receive formal grades or a master's degree, they participate fully in all three core courses in the CNW program. They must complete all class and seminar exercises and writing assignments, and they receive written feedback from the faculty. NCC students are encouraged to enroll in electives.

The Field Studies Program consists of a series of visits and single-day field trips designed to meet the requirements of the Navy's International Program Office, the Joint Security Assistance Training (JSAT) Manual and DoD Field Studies Program Guidance in DoDI 5410.17 of 15 September 2006. This program gives the international officer a balanced understanding of the United States and an increased awareness of the basic issues of internationally recognized human rights. The travel includes exposure to American government institutions, judicial system, human rights, political processes, civil-military relations, the role of the free press and communications media, the diversity of American society and life, the free enterprise system and our free market system across the U.S.

From 1956 to the present day, NCC has graduated 2,148 officers from ninety-one nations. Approximately 50 percent of NCC alumni have reached flag rank, and 194 have been or now are the chiefs of their respective navies. Additionally, NCC alumni include two seated Ministers of Defense, three chiefs of defense (equivalent to the Chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff), and numerous ambassadors, cabinet and congressional level members, other high government officials, and two heads of state.

The outcome is an active cadre of NCC alumni, who as senior leaders and decision makers use their understanding and personal relationships to build trust and confidence that enhances cooperation, increases access, improves interoperability, and positively influences strategic decision making throughout the world.



## **Our Adopted USCG Units**

#### **IDA LEWIS (WLM-551)**

JUNIPER (WLB-201)



TIGER SHARK (WPB-87359)



WILLOW (WLB-202)





## **USCG News**

The Newport Council Navy League's annual Coast Guard Birthday Picnic for USCG Sector Southeast New England was held in August at Greenvale Vineyards in Portsmouth. This event is always well attended by our Coast Guard and their families. The children of our Coast Guard guests are one of the reasons there is great satisfaction by Newport Council members who give so much time and energy to make this a great event. Greenvale Vineyards has always been the perfect venue and the staff and management are in our debt every year for providing such a beautiful and safe place for this event. The pictures tell the story. It was a great day! Come join in next year and find out for yourself.











## **Special Awards Ceremony**

The Newport County Council and The Rotary Clubs of Middletown and Portsmouth hosted their annual awards ceremony on 17 November at the Best Western Mainstay Inn. This takes place every year as a co-hosted event to express the grateful appreciation to some exceptional Sailors. The Honored Guests were:

LT Arwyn B. South USN, Junior Officer of the Year BU2 German M. Dunlop USN, Junior Enlisted Service Member of the Year HN Drew V. Poleviyuma USN, Blue Jacket Service Member of the Year

These three individuals were selected by their respective commands for not only their outstanding performance as Sailors but their contribution to our community. It would be impossible to share in few words the choice of these individuals for their selection so below is a summary of each of these exceptional people presented not only for their worthiness but as evidence of their dedication, persistence, and commitment. They are most extraordinary. Our congratulations to each of them and also to their families and loved ones who help make them who they are.

#### LT Arwyn Becker South, USN

LT. Arwyn South's hometown is Vail, Colorado. She received her commission in the U.S. Navy in May 2008, upon graduation from the United States Naval Academy, where she earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Economics. She has also earned a Master of Science Degree in Operations Management from the University of Arkansas and a Masters of Arts Degree in National Security Studies from the Naval War College. While assigned to Surface Warfare Officers School Command (SWOS), she has excelled in every assignment. As the Lead Instructor of the critical Cruiser Engineering Curriculum, she ensured the successful graduation of 119 Prospective Engineering Officers and Advanced Engineering Division Officers. She personally mentored more than 130 students during more than 350 hours of intense instruction. Through her personal efforts and oversight, she improved training and fleet readiness in all aspects of main propulsion, auxiliaries, engineering programs and material readiness In addition LT South serves as the SWOS Command Legal Officer for the entire SWOS domain which includes 10 geographic learning sites world-wide. She also actively supported the Surface Navy Association (SNA) fall 5K road race and is always in the front of the pack in physical readiness training (PRT) testing. In summary, her Commanding Officer stated, "LT Arwyn South stands above her peers on a daily basis and provides a model example for both staff and students to emulate. Her impact can be felt throughout my command and the fleet. Her accomplishments are unsurpassed and she has my highest recommendation for selection as the Newport Naval Complex Junior Officer of the Year".

#### Hospitalman Drew V. Poleviyuma, USN

Hospitalman Drew Poleviyuma is from Phoenix, Arizona where he attended Scottsdale Community College prior to enlisting in the US Navy in 2013. He attended Basic Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, IL.; medical training at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio TX and served at Naval Hospital Balboa, San Diego, CA. prior to reporting to Naval Health Clinic New England. Although he has been in the US Navy for only 2 years his accomplishments and performance resulted in his being named the Naval Health Clinic New England "Blue Jacket of the Year, 2014. Hospitalman Poleviyuma is a standout performer in every assignment and, in a short period, has become mission essential to the Laboratory Dept. and Directorate for Clinical Support Services. He continually delivered outstanding results and is a true force multiplier as the laboratory floor supervisor, responsible for leading and training nine technicians. As a technician, his performance has been nothing short of superb. Serving as floor supervisor, a position reserved for a senior Second Class Petty Officer, he maintained day to day operations and schedules, providing optimum coverage while increasing efficiency and decreasing error rates. He flawlessly managed a \$32K budget while processing more than 5,000 specimens and maintaining equipment valued at more than \$3K. He performed 32 rigorous calibrations, verified 22 quarterly studies and passed all 3 month QA checks. In addition to this weighty assignment, he also processed 6,000 specimens from five other sections of the laboratory, drew 912 blood specimens

and performed 14 training events to certify 4 junior technicians . As a proud community servant Hospitalman Poleviyuma is assigned to the Diversity Committee, Habitat for Humanity, and Coalition of Sailors Against Destructive Decisions (CSADD). He served as Coordinator with the Naval Station for NHCNE participation in the MLK torch run sponsored by the Newport NAACP and led 4 fundraisers to enable CSADD future events. He has spent many off-duty hours to contributing to, and improvement of, the Newport community. The Commanding Officer Naval Health Clinic New England said, "Hospitalman Poleviyuma is a phenomenal sailor and technician and has my highest recommendation for selection as Naval Complex Newport Service Member of the Year for 2014!"

#### **Builder Second German Dunlop Jr., USN**

Builder Second Class Petty Officer German Manuel Dunlop Jr. hails from Old Bridge, New Jersey. He graduated Walton High School, Bronx, New York after which he enlisted in the U.S. Navy in January 2009 and attended Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Illinois. Prior to reporting to the Naval Academy Preparatory School, his assignments have included Naval Construction Training Center, Gulfport, Mississippi; Center for Security Forces, Gulfport, Mississippi and Naval Mobile Construction Battalion Three, Port Hueneme, California. While assigned to the US Naval Academy Preparatory School (NAPS), Petty Officer Dunlop's contributions to both the Command mission and the local community have been nothing short of extraordinary. As a qualified Command Duty Officer (CDO) he has complete oversight and responsibility for 5 Facilities and 250 Midshipman Candidates (MCs). Because of his maturity and personal integrity, Petty Officer Dunlop was selected to be the NAPS Urinalysis Program Coordinator in addition to serving as the First Lieutenant Division Leading Supervisor, Disaster Preparedness Coordinator and NAPS Barracks Manager. As the NAPS Barracks manager, Petty Officer Dunlop coordinated all watch-standing requirements, stood overnight duty, ensuring security, good order and discipline, and was responsible for all facility repairs. He orchestrated and led an educational trip to Battleship Cove in Fall River which provided 250 MCs and 11 staff members exposure to World War II warfighting. In addition, he led Petty Officer Indoctrination for nine Selectees, and conducted 8 hours of Professional Military Courses to sailors in preparation for Navy-Wide exams. His volunteerism in the community reflects the same commitment, drive and zeal he exhibits to his shipmates. As the NAPS Community Service Program Coordinator, he has actively participated in Rhode Island Special Olympics, Providence Water Fire event for Veterans Day, two first place finishes in Lego League Robotics Competitions, assisted in the Martin Luther King Community Center toy collection, led Battleship Cove restoration trips, and assisted in the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Torch Run! His commanding officer summarized Petty Officer Dunlop's manifold accomplishments concisely. He said, "Petty Officer Dunlop is my Number One Petty Officer. He has my complete trust and confidence and is highly deserving of the recognition afforded him by selection as the Junior Enlisted Service Member of the Year."

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Reading about the individuals above brings to mind a quote by Henry David Thoreau that seems relevant:

"You must live in the present, launch yourself on every wave, find your eternity in each moment."

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## <u>A Special Note</u>

The entire Newport County Council wants to welcome home long-time Council member, and National Officer of the Navy League, George Wardwell, after an unexpected medical emergency that kept George in Boston for an extended period of time. George's dedication to the Navy League and the Sea Cadets is monumental in every respect and his presence is missed. We wish you a strong recovery which we all know will be forthcoming under the watchful eye of your dear wife Edna.

George, we all want to pass on something you must remember, "You are the Chief but She is the Captain!"



# NAVAL WAR COLLEGE NEWS



The Naval War College Celebrates 240 Years of the U.S. Navy

Rear Adm. P. Gardner Howe III, president and most senior ranking officer at U.S. Naval War College (NWC), and Yeoman Seaman Henry Armstrong, most junior ranking enlisted at NWC, cut a cake during a celebration commemorating the 240th Navy birthday at NWC in Newport, Rhode Island. This year's Navy birthday theme, "Ready Then, Ready Now, Ready Always," signifies 240 years of U.S. naval presence around the globe, around the clock, and recognizes that our diverse force of personnel gives the Navy its strength and edge. The Navy will continue to be the front line of our nation's efforts when and where it

matters.

(U.S. Navy photo by Chief Mass Communication Specialist James E. Foehl/Released)

## **NWC Foundation Calendar of Events**

### March 19, 2016: **Global Hotspots Symposium** Marines' Memorial Club and Hotel, San Francisco, California. Speakers to be announced. Save the Date!

May 5, 2016: **Annual Naval War College and Naval War College Foundation Washington DC Dinner and Philip A. Crowl Memorial Lecture** Washington Navy Yard, Washington DC Save the Date!

<u>June 13, 2016:</u> **Annual Members Meeting** Spruance Auditorium, Newport, Rhode Island

June 14-15, 2016: *Current Strategy Forum* Newport, Rhode Island

## NAVAL WAR COLLEGE MUSEUM



NAVY RECAUTING STATION OF OFFICE OF NAME OFFICER PROCUREMENT

It was on July 30, 1942, that President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the act establishing the WAVES (Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service). Initially established as a subset of the Naval Reserves as the U.S. Naval Reserve (Women's Reserve), the acronym WAVES stuck. The word "Emergency" had been inserted into the name to give an implicit understanding that women would not be allowed to continue following the war's conclusion. Despite the negative reception that was initially received by the women, from society at large unprepared to accept women in a military role and by males in general, the women served well in any role given, even though their participation was severely restricted to opportunities in the continental United States.

It was not until the passage of the Women's Armed Services Integration Act (Public Law 625) on June 12, 1948, that women achieved a permanent, regular status in the Navy. Women were still excluded, however, from vessels that might see combat.

During the World War II, the accession programs for women entering the Volunteer Reserve had been the V9 WAVE Officer Candidate Volunteer Program and the V10 WAVE Enlisted Rating Volunteer Program. With the transition to regular status, the programs were renamed to W9 Women's Officer Training and W10 Women's Enlisted Training programs.

Newport, Rhode Island, a town of many naval firsts (first Naval Training Station, first War College) soon added a new first by establishing the first indoctrination unit for women naval officers in the United States. It was advertised as the "Annapolis for Women."

The Women Officers Quarters (WOQ) was Building 113 and was located across from the garage on Perry Street, the site of the recently demolished Building 444. They ate at the Commissioned Officers' Mess (Closed) in Building 108, which is now the parking lot across from Brett Hall. Their average mess bill was \$42.00. As outlined in the 1951 Officer Indoctrination Unit (W) Handbook, "Faultless grooming shall be observed at all time" and "Religion, politics, men and women are not discussed at the mess table."

Captain Joy Bright Hancock was promoted to the rank of captain in July 1946 and appointed to lead the WAVES. She was one of the first eight women to be commissioned in the regular Navy and then continued to lead in the position of Assistant Chief of Naval Personnel for Women until 1953. In the OIU (W) Handbook, Captain Hancock listed four rules for a successful woman naval officer: (1) Know and obey the regulations; (2) Know your enlisted personnel and discharge unceasingly your responsibilities to them; (3) When assigned, give that assignment everything you possess, be the job routine or difficult; and (4) Bring only credit to your service by your personal appearance and your conduct. She stated, "The easiest way to live up to this fourth rule is to remember always that you are a lady – for a lady in the truest sense of the word is a woman whose habits, manners, and sentiments are those characteristic of the highest degree of refinement."

## **Senior Enlisted Academy Graduation**



The NLUS, represented by Tony Cercena of the Newport Council, presented the Navy League Certificate of Achievement to recent outstanding graduates of the Senior Enlisted Academy, Class 151. Council has been very supportive of the SEA for many years and several members, including Tony, were graduates. We congratulate all the graduates and wish them much success in the coming years.

The mission of the Navy Senior Enlisted Academy (SEA) is to further develop Senior Enlisted Leaders to give sound decision-support in command, staff, management, and leadership positions in Naval, Joint, and Multinational environments. The SEA provides Senior Enlisted Leaders an understanding of national security strategy, Joint Force Operations, and leadership skills with a constant focus on ethics, flexibility, and mission accomplishment in a global environment.

The vision of the Academy is to be the Navy's premier academic institution in educating today's Senior Enlisted Leaders for tomorrow's global challenges.





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