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“Citizens in Support of the Sea Services”

Greetings from your Newport County Council of the Navy League!

As the changing colors and cooler temperatures of the season approach, I want to introduce myself and reflect on the activities and accomplishments of our council. I assumed the role of President in January when Rear Admiral Mike White left to become President of Northeastern Junior College in Sterling, Colorado. I am a retired Naval Officer and previously served as a Board member and Vice President.

The Council has been very busy over the summer. We continue to recognize the contributions of impressive men and women of the sea services assigned in our area. Our membership has grown with new Community Affiliates, Business Associates and members. We celebrated the birthday of the U.S. Coast Guard with a picnic on the grounds of the Newport Elks Club. The Council helped welcome the arrival of the USCG Medium Endurance Cutters Campbell and Tahoma at a ceremony attended by RI’s Congressional Delegation and the Commandant of the Coast Guard, Admiral Linda Fagan. In September, we held a welcome picnic for more than 100 international students of the Naval War College and their families with the cooperation of members of VFW Post 406. The Council is now in the final planning stages for Military Appreciation Night, scheduled for 27 October at the Wyndham Newport Hotel. Our scheduled speaker is Naval War College Professor Marc Genest. I hope you can attend this exceptional event.

Thank you for your continued support.

Rob

CAPT Robert S. Winneg, USN (ret)
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You're invited, your invitation is enclosed.....

NEWPORT COUNTY COUNCIL ANNOUNCES GUEST SPEAKER AT THEIR MILITARY APPRECIATION NIGHT ON OCTOBER 27, 2022

Professor Marc Genest, Ph.D., is the Forrest Sherman Professor of Public Diplomacy in the Naval War College's Strategy and Policy Department and area study coordinator for the insurgency and terrorism electives program. He has a doctorate in international politics from Georgetown University and is the founding co-director of NWC's Center on Irregular Warfare and Armed Groups. He served two tours as a civilian advisor in Afghanistan and received the Commander's Award for Civilian Service from the Army as a special advisor to the Commander of Task Force Mountain Warrior.

He will be talking on the conflict in Russia and Ukraine. Russia's invasion of Ukraine constitutes the biggest threat to peace and security in Europe since the end of the Cold War and is destabilizing economic security worldwide.

Prof. Marc A. Genest, Ph. D., U.S. Naval War College



This is also the Annual Meeting and Dinner for Members.

We look forward to your attendance. Thank you.

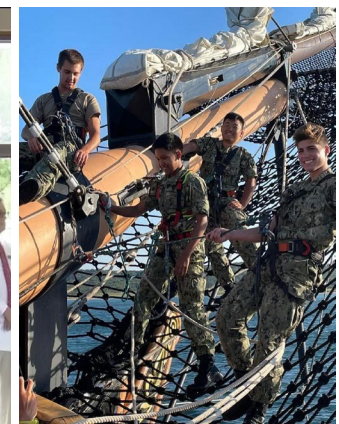
Our Sea Cadets Are Seizing the Day

The NCBC Battalion of the US Naval Sea Cadet Corps, based in Newport and Quonset, RI, spent their summer attending diverse nationwide training sessions. The trainings varied from Recruit Trainings (Boot Camp), SCUBA, Master-At-Arms, Advanced Sailing aboard the SSV Oliver Hazard Perry and a unique opportunity afforded to only 4 Sea Cadets nationwide, an Advanced Sailing aboard the USCG Cutter Barque Eagle alongside the US Coast Guard Academy SWABS and the US Naval Academy PLEBES. All of these accomplishments culminated in a robust Promotions & Awards Ceremony at the US Coast Guard Station Castle Hill in August.

“We are looking forward to Military Appreciation Night when we Troop the Colors”.

Brandi Bansemer, LTJG
Commanding Officer, NCBC Battalion

T.S. Walter Boll.
US Naval Sea Cadet Corps
Newport & Quonset, Rhode Island



NLUS Member attended Graduation and Appointment Exercises at Naval Academy Preparatory School on May 13, 2022, presenting The Navy League Award For Service, which is a watch, presented annually to the Midshipman Candidate who has maintained an outstanding record of scholastic achievement, embodying the highest service to humanity, and accepts an appointment to the USNA. Tom Feeney awarded Midshipman Candidate Martine Rauvienne C. Laroco the watch, wishing her well.

NLUS members attended the Graduation of International SWOS students on June 17, 2022, at Mullen Auditorium. The Distinguished Guest Remarks were made by Admiral Guillermo Enrique Barrera-Hurtado (Ret.), Former Commander of the Colombian Navy 2006-2010. LT. MD Sohanur Rahman, Bangladesh, from the DVO Class 22010, was awarded The Honor Graduate Student Award, achieving the highest grades out of the two classes totaling 23 graduates.

Members celebrated the Coast Guard's 232nd Birthday with a picnic for active-duty Coast Guard members, family and reservists at the location of the U.S. Naval Academy during the Civil War (Elks Lodge 104) on Bellevue Ave. One of the hottest days of the year, August 6, 2022, the shade of the beautiful trees had us enjoying the good food, cool beverages and old sea stories in no time. Pictured, in the traditional cutting of the birthday cake with a sword, representing USCG Cutter Sycamore was the senior ranking Coast Guard attendee at the picnic, Chad Conrad and the junior ranking attendee Michael Conlon, representing USCG Station Pt. Judith. To the amusement of all, one of the lively young guests beat us all to a personal tasting of the cake. Among the guests was a Cabo Verde Coast Guard Officer attending Naval Staff College Class 2023 who shared diverse memories with Capt Ray Perry USCG (Ret), a NLUS member, also in attendance. Thanks to event organizers Tom, Pat and Len and caterer Maria.



ADOPTED UNITS

USCG Cutters	Campbell (WMEC-909)	Ida Lewis (WLM-551)	Juniper(WL201)
	Steelhead (WPB-87324)	Oak (Wib-211)	Tahoma (WMEC-908)
Shore Activities	NAVSTA Newport	Naval War College	Station Castle Hill
	Station Pt. Judith	ANT Bristol	

Members who are also sponsors will recall the very lovely farewell and pinning reception at Salve Regina's Ochre Court this year and the Welcome Reception for Classes 2023 on the Colbert Plaza.



MEMBERS Welcomed the Naval Command College Class 2023 and Naval Staff College 2023 and their families, and for the first time IMSOC students, at the Glen Park Picnic Pavilion, Portsmouth, RI on September 10. About 200 students, family members and NLUS members dined on hot dogs and hamburgers cooked by VFW volunteers who joined forces with NLUS and cooked the picnic spread. Thank you. The Hon. Jeanne-Marie Napolitano, Mayor of Newport addressed the students with some humorous Island anecdotes on the weather. The NCC Class President CDR. Leef Wiremu, from New Zealand, presented a gift to Council President Rob Winneg and complimented Event Chair, Walt Wasowski, Pat Burke and the crew and the VFW volunteers.



Executive Board Members attended the welcoming ceremonies of Cutters Tahoma and Campbell to Newport in their Homeport Shift Ceremony held on August 19 at NAVSTA Newport piers. The program included remarks by Capt. James McIver, CO NAVSTA Newport, Mayor Napolitano, Capt. Anne O'Connell, CO CGC CAMPBELL and Presiding Official ADM Linda Fagan, Commandant USCG. Keynote addresses were made by Congressman Cicilline and Senators Whitehouse and Reed. The Newport County Council NLUS was tasked with providing the refreshments post ceremony, mentioned in the program.

USCGC TAHOMA (WMEC 908)



USCGC CAMPBELL (WMEC 909)



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