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Letter From The President

As I write this, Fall is in full swing, albeit with warmer-than-normal temperatures. Your Newport County Council has been extremely busy (seems like a common theme in my communications). In addition to the robust representation of our Council at the regular graduations of Navy Officer Candidate

School, Officer Development School, Supply Corps School, and the Senior Enlisted Academy, the Council also presented awards to graduates of the Naval Academy Preparatory School and the



President CAPT. Rob Winneg, USN (Ret.)

U.S. Naval War College during their graduation ceremonies in June. Additionally, we were busy recognizing the exceptional service members of the U.S. Coast Guard during their Sailor of the Quarter ceremonies onboard Newport-based cutters. A big "Thank You" to all the Council Board members who take time from their schedules to represent our organization and acknowledge these fine young men and women serving our nation.

In August, the Newport County Council held its annual "Welcome Picnic" for the international military students and their families who arrived in RI to study with their U.S. partners at the U.S. Naval War College. Held at Glen

Park in Portsmouth, RI, on a glorious weather day, nearly 300 people, including the new President of the U.S. Naval War College, Rear Admiral Darryl L. Walker, USN, enjoyed food, friendship and fun. Picnic Chair Walt Wasowski's detailed planning and a picnic team consisting of Council members, cooking team leads Mark and Coleen Turner and members of VFW Post 406 ensured the event was memorable. A special thanks to the leaders of Newport's Walmart.

Upcoming events include our Board Meeting on 2 December at 5:00 p.m where we vote for the proposed Board of Directors for 2025. All members are invited attend and cast their vote. A slate has been emailed to all Board Members. If you have any questions or concerns about casting your vote for the 2025 Board of Directors, please email <u>info@navyleague.org</u>.

Thank you for all your support and I look forward to seeing you on December 2 for the meeting. - Rob Winneg









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Council Activties



17 August: Annual Naval Command and Staff College Welcome Picnic

Newport County Council of the Navy League United States (NCCNLUS) members welcomed Class 2025 from the U.S. Naval War College (NWC) Command (NCC) and Staff (NSC) College, and their families, to the Council's annual "Welcome Picnic" held at the Glen Park Pavilion in Portsmouth. The students arrived in July for their studies at the College.

Assisting the NCCNLUS volunteers were members of VFW Post 406 lead by the cooking team of Mark and Coleen Turner and members of VFW Post 4487. Special thanks to the NWC Dean of Students. Thomas Mangold and Mrs. Amy Mangold. Nearly 100 Command and Staff officers from 63 countries, the U.S. Army, U.S. Air Force, U.S. Marines, U.S. Navy, and U.S. Air Space Force and families enjoyed the Council's hospitality. The new 59th President of the U.S. Naval War College, Rear Admiral Darryl L. Walker, USN, and NWC IP staff and colleagues enjoyed food, friendship and fun in the sun watching some students and kids play soccer on the Park's fields.



U.S. Naval War College (NWC) Command (NCC) and Staff (NSC) College, and their families at the annual "Welcome Picnic" - Glen Park, Portsmouth on 17 August 2024

Co-Chairs Len DiLorenzo and Walt Wasowski made the event memorable with plenty of good local barbecue fare. The council thanks everyone involved including The Town of Portsmouth, Walmart and:

- BJ's[®] Wholesale Club
- Coddington Brewery
- Greenvale Vineyards
- Newport Vineyards
- Shaw's Supermarkets
- Stoneacre Brasserie
 - Stop & Shop Supermarkets

6 August: The Council Supported Yard Patrol (YP) Craft Visit

The visit of a U.S. Naval Academy Yard Patrol (YP) craft to Newport was supported by the Council. Yard Patrol craft provide realistic, at-sea training in navigation and seamanship for midshipmen at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., and candidates at Officer Candidate School, Pensacola, Fla.



U.S. Naval Academy Yard Patrol Craft YP706

These craft can cruise for 1400 nautical miles at 12 knots for five days without refueling.□



April 6 – 9, 2025 STEM Expo: April 6 | Conference and Exposition: April 7-9 Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center National Harbor, Maryland

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Navy League Member Activities



Invited Newport Council members watched Military and Sea Service units from NAVSTA Newport and RI Sea Cadets March in the 239th Bristol Parade as guests of Navy Leaguers from the porch of their beautiful Bristol mansion, followed by a meal served in beautiful Victorian style. – Thank you Christine and Noel.



Christine Kloner, Gloria Hidalgo, Angela Vars, Noël Hewitt and Tony Cercena in the back yard of their beautiful Bristol, RI mansion on 4 July



6 Sept: Third Beach Club - NWC Sponsors Play Bocce with Students at Annual Picnic

NWC Sponsors, who are also Navy League members, gather annually with their students to potluck picnic on the beach & play bocce, thus the Third Beach Club. \Box



26 Sept: Local Newspaper Commends NCCNLUS Member, CAPT. Mark Turner

A Newport This Week front page article accoladed CAPT. Mark Turner, a NCCNLUS member and Newport Roger's High School Educator, Coleen Turner, his spouse, with an International \$10,000 donation from Amb. John L. Loeb Jr. to the International Studies and Leadership Program, an elective course open to all students. Coleen established the program in 2014.



CAPT. Mark Turner collaborated with his wife Coleen to create an international studies program that would open students to a "world of possibilities."

Many NCCNLUS members are sponsors of the International Program officers at the Naval War College who are encouraged to speak to the High School students. BZ TO OUR STAR EDUCATORS! □

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17 July: Local Baseball Team, Newport Gulls, Hosted Military Appreciation Night

The Newport Gulls hosted their annual Military Appreciation night for Active Military, Veterans and their families at Cardine's Field. In addition to providing a great night of baseball (just a reminder they are the New England Collegiate Baseball League regular season champs!), the Newport Gulls organization recognized and honored many local military members and veterans during pre-game activities, calling particular attention to remember that 2023 is the 20th anniversary of the start of the Iraq War, as well as the 50th anniversary of the withdrawal of U.S. combat forces from Vietnam in 1973.



VFW tirelessly taking tickets at Cardine's Field

VFW Post 406 members volunteered, serving as gate attendants throughout the evening's event.□

Local Maritime Support

26 August: SENEDIA Hosted Defense Innovation Days 2024 Convention at Newport Marriot Hotel

Rhode Island political figures applauding the Bay/Navy/

SENEDIA, the locally based "Catalyst for Thought Leadership and Innovation in Undersea Technology, Cybersecurity and Defense Technologies" held their 3-day Defense Innovation Days 2024 convention at the Marriot Hotel. Keynote Speaker opening the 10th Anniversary Conference was the Honorable Carlos Del Toro, Secretary of the Navy. Additional speakers included the Honorable Nickolas Guertin, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Research, Development & Acquisition: Vice ADM Nancy Hann.



Eco-industrial intiatives included Congressmen Seth Magaziner and Gabe Amo; Senator Sheldon Whitehouse; Lou Di Palma; Mayor Xay Rexford Khamsyvoravong of Newport; the Hon Gina Raimondo, Secretary,

Tim DelGiudice Site Lead, Raytheon, an RTX business, Portsmouth

U.S. Department of Commerce, and RI Gov. Dan McKee.

Other professional participants in conference presentations with subject titles were Undersea Technology Innovation - Dr. Joseph Calantoni, Technical Director, Naval Meteorology and Oceanographic Command: Undersea Technology Innovation - Dr. Joseph Calantoni, Technical Director, Naval Meteorology and Oceanographic Command: Ms. Marie Bussiere, Technical Director, Naval Undersea Warfare Center Division Newport: China Dr. Andrew Erickson, Naval War College, China Maritime Studies Institute

Among the exhibitors were Navy League Supporters: Raytheon, Seacorp and Rite Solution.



Honorable Carlos Del Toro - Center







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Changes of Commands Graduations and Awards

July: 7/11 SWSC Grad: T. Feeney 7/12 OCS Grad: P. Burke/J. Peterson

August: 8/2 SEA Grad: A. Cercena 8/2 OCS Grad: P. Burke/J. Peterson 8/23 OCS Grad: P. Burke/J. Peterson 9/26 SWSC Grad: T. Feeney 8/29 SEA Grad: A. Cercena

September: 9/13 OCS Grad: P. Burke/J. Peterson

9/20 Supply School Grad: P. Burke



9 August: Rear Admiral Darryl L. Walker relieved Rear Adm. Peter A. Garvin as the 59th President of the U.S. Naval War College (NWC)

Rear Admiral Darryl L. Walker relieved Rear Adm. Peter A. Garvin as the 59th President of the U.S. Naval War College (NWC) during a change of command ceremony held onboard Naval Station Newport. Secretary of the Navy

Carlos Del Toro, an alumnus of NWC presided over the ceremony and served as guest speaker, stating in his remarks, "Rear Adm. Garvin, as the 58th President of the NWC, has been steadfast in his devotion to



Carlos Del Toro, RADM Darryl Walker

this institution, empowering the students, faculty, and staff to pursue their research passions, provide support to our Fleet, Combatant Command, and national leaders, as well as engage with the maritime community."



In his farewell speech Garvin stated, "The Naval War College is a critical component of the Navy's effort to facilitate maritime statecraft and enhance strategic relationships," Garvin said.

Winneg, Peg Armstrong Murray,

Walker is a 2002 graduate of NWC and most recently served as Deputy Commander of Joint Force Headquarters-Cyber (Navy), United States 10th Fleet in Fort George Meade, Maryland.

Welcome aboard Rear Admiral Darryl L. Walker and Mrs. Walker. We hope you'll think of us at Navy League, Newport Council as your friends and neighbors.□



16 August: CAPT T. Richie Jenkins assumed command from CAPT Jason 🛛 Warner during a Change of Command ceremony at Navy Supply Corps School

Captain T. Richie Jenkins assumed command from Captain Jason C. Warner during a poignant Change of Command ceremony at The Navy Supply Corps School (NSCS),

bringing an impressive wealth of experience to his new role. The schoolhouse community warmly welcomed CAPT Jenkins and his wife, Mrs. Taffy Jenkins, as they begin on this new journey.

Outgoing Commanding Officer Capt. Warner, who has led the school with honor and innovation throughout the past two years, was honored for his exceptional service and leadership with the prestigious Legion of Merit.□



R Capt. Jason C. Warne RADM Ken Epps and Capt. **Richie Jenkins**

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