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*Welcome Aboard*

- ★ W. Jack Fleming
- ★ Austin Green
- ★ Edward & Irmgard Jones
- ★ Michael Lawrence
- ★ Ronald MacDonald
- ★ Terry Reed



**President's Corner**

The summer is drawing to a close. It does not seem like Labor Day is just around the corner.

Your Council is gearing up for a busy fall; please review the announcements pertaining to upcoming activities in this months newsletter. We are going to combine our Annual Meeting with a Trafalgar Night celebration again this year.

Please review the 2007 slate of officers, I will be asking you to vote on them at the October dinner meeting. I want to thank the nominating committee for enlisting the services of these outstanding gentlemen.

For our members from the Submarine Community, you will be happy to note that four of the five officers are one of your own, I guess they got tired of listening to my Submariner jokes. Now it will be three years of Aviator jokes.

Earle and Sandra Smith are busy setting up for the Veterans Day Celebration on 11 November. If anyone is interested in helping with this, let Earle or Sandra know.

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**"TRAFALGAR NIGHT"**

Date: October 14th  
 Place: Bangor Plaza  
 Time: 1800 No Host Bar  
 Dinner: 1900  
 Hosted Port Toast  
 Cost: \$35.00 per person  
 Contact: Stan Mack  
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Since Trafalgar Night was such a huge success last year, we are going to do it again. Commodore David Jarvis, an active duty Royal Navy Commodore has kindly accepted our invitation to be the featured speaker. He will be doing the monologue and making the toast to Lord Nelson for us. The event will take place on the evening of Saturday, October 14th at the Trident Ballroom, Kitsap Naval Base Bangor (the same room that we hold our luncheons). The flyer is almost complete and will soon be forwarded providing you with complete information (check our website soon). Mark your calendars for 14 Oct. Our Treasurer, Stan Mack, will be taking reservations.

**Notification to the Membership ★ Election of Officers**

*Officer Slate for 2007*

Our by-laws require notification of the slate of officers for the following year be presented to the membership at least 30 days before they are voted on. We will be voting for the 2007 officers at our October annual meeting (Trafalgar Night). The nomination committee (Carol Meteney, Will Lent, John Payne, Ron Testa, and Tim Katona) present the below list for your consideration.

President	Stan Mack
Vice President	Guy Stitt
Treasurer	Dave Thomas
Secretary	Paul Lucas
Judge Advocate	Joe Hulsey



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There are three coordination meetings (we have over 20 Veterans organizations participating) on 9/20, 10/18, and 11/1 at the Eagles Nest (Kitsap Fairgrounds) from 9 to 11 AM.

August 4th was the USCG Birthday. We recognized the event by having a USCG presentation at our August luncheon. LCDR Joshua Reynolds from Sector Seattle gave an informative briefing on Sector Seattle and the Prevention Department. See Dave Thomas's write-up for more details.

We have added many new members this month. I would like to provide them with a hearty "Welcome Aboard" and thank them for supporting the Sea Services. Rick Becker, our Membership Chairman, has been doing a great job in keeping our numbers above 500.

I would like to thank Land America Transnation Title for renewing their Community Affiliate Membership—they have been a Community Affiliate since July of 2004. Our Corporate and Community Affiliate Members provide significant financial support for our mission—please support those who support us.

See you all at the September luncheon. Thanks for all that you do.

*Larry*

## Council Celebrates Coast Guard Month

August is the Coast Guard's birthday, so this month's presentation on August 8th was by LCDR Joshua Reynolds from the

Sector Seattle Prevention Department. Sector Seattle is made up of three elements that were previously separate. They include the Marine Safety Office, Vessel Traffic System, and Coast Guard Group Seattle. Sector Seattle is responsible for waterways from the coast of Washington, through Puget Sound and all the way to the east boundary of Montana. It is the largest sector area in the Coast Guard.

The challenges facing Sector Seattle include the large and growing number of ships transiting, including a large number of oil tankers. Seattle/Tacoma combined is the third largest port (number of ships) in the U.S. The growing cruise ship business also adds to the workload.

The U.S. Vessel Traffic System has a cooperative arrangement with Canadian Vessel Traffic for Puget Sound. LCDR Reynolds described it as working very well. The VTS depends upon an array of radars throughout the Puget Sound region, both US and Canadian, augmented with a relatively new system known as Automatic Identification System (AIS). AIS is required to be on all ships over 300 tons, which includes almost all commercial vessels. It provides ship position as well as identification information.

LCDR Reynolds described the Joint Harbor Operations Center (JHOC) which, when opened this fall, will provide a joint command center for coordination of all agencies that might be involved in an incident at sea in the Puget Sound region.

Prior to closing his presentation LCDR Reynolds invited Navy League members to visit the new JHOC and VTS facilities in Seattle to learn more about them.

*Story by CAPT David Thomas, USN(ret)*



*LCDR Joshua Reynolds from the Sector Seattle Prevention Department was the guest speaker at the August luncheon. President Larry Salter closed the presentation by "mugging" the guest speaker with our Navy League Council official mug*

## Youth Programs



*RADM Jeffrey Cassias, Commander, Submarine Force U.S. Pacific Fleet and Council President Larry Salter present a certificate and the Theodore Roosevelt Youth Medal to Sea Cadet of the Year, PO2 Mason Athie, at our Armed Forces Day Gala.*

As many of you know, our council sponsors the local unit of Sea Cadets, Kitsap Battalion, commanded by NSCC LCDR Charlie Wormwood. Our financial support to the Sea Cadets runs \$3000.00 per year and they provide excellent coverage for our official functions with color guard and escort responsibilities.

The Cadets shared our booth at Kitsap Mall on Military Appreciation Day and a number of individuals stopped by for information. The Cadets involvement resulted in some new recruits and possibly some additional adult leadership help.

This year, the Sea Cadet of the Year, PO2 Mason Athie, was recognized at our Armed Forces Day Gala by presentation of a certificate and the Theodore Roosevelt Youth Medal. The Council also provides limited support to three NJROTC units in the form of recognition to the Cadet of the Year and a summer leadership training scholarship.

The NJROTC units have award ceremonies honoring their Cadets which our Council participates. South Kitsap High School recognized Cadet LCDR Matt King; Bremerton High School recognized Cadet Ensign Joshua Glazier; and Port Angeles High School recognized Cadet CPO Christina Park. As with the Sea Cadet of the Year, each NJROTC Cadet received a certificate from the Council and the Theodore Roosevelt Youth Medal. Each Unit also received a check for \$150.00 for their leadership program.

Our Council also provided the Bremerton High NJROTC Orienteering Club with \$400.00 to support two cadets  
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 traveling to National competition. The Club placed 1st and 5th in National competition. Navy League Members are encouraged to contact the Sea Cadets and the NJROTC Units to see what other type of support, financial or other, can be provided. Many Cadets end up as active duty military, whether it is through a college or academy program or by direct enlistment upon graduation.

If you would like to contact a particular unit, get in touch with Paul Lucas for the unit CO's contact information.

*by Paul Lucas*



## Outstanding Council Award Presentation



At the U.S. Navy League's National Convention, hosted by the St. Thomas/St. John Council on July 12-16 in St. Thomas, Carol A. Meteney, Past President-National Director accepted the award on behalf of Roger Nance and the Council for Outstanding Council 2005. Pictured with Carol, is Barbara Bailey, Northwest Region-Coastal Area President and Ron Testa, Northwest Region President.

*Photo Courtesy Carol Meteney*



Silverdale, Wash. (Aug. 16, 2006) - The Sea Wolf-class attack submarine USS Jimmy Carter (SSN 23) sits moored in the Magnetic Silencing Facility at Naval Base Kitsap Bangor for her first deperming treatment. The deperming process reduces a ship's electromagnetic signature as she travels through the water. Jimmy Carter is the third and final submarine of the Sea Wolf-class. U.S. Navy photo by Master Chief Mass Communication Specialist Jerry McLain (RELEASED)

## Council Members Attend Seafair Reception Onboard USS Cleveland (LPD-7)



On board USS Cleveland (LPD-7) in Seattle, from left to right: Vern Young, Past President, Bremerton-Olympic Peninsula Council Navy League, Joann Donnelly, ADM Mike Mullen, Chief of Naval Operations, Pat Dvornik, Everett Navy League.





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## Planning Calendar

- Monday    Sept 4    Labor Day
- Tuesday    Sept 12    Monthly Luncheon, Bangor Plaza  
Speaker, CAPT Reid Tanaka, CO, Naval Base Kitsap
- Tuesday    Oct 10    Monthly Luncheon, Bangor Plaza  
Speaker, CAPT J. D. Dowell, CO NUWC Keyport
- Saturday    Oct 14    Trafalgar Night, Bangor Plaza  
Dinner & Annual Meeting  
Speaker, Royal Navy Commodore David Jarvis  
Contact: Stan Mack, ph: 360-598-8834  
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### September

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## On This Date

*Sept. 2, 1944 - USS Finback (SS-217) rescues Lieutenant (jg) George Bush, USNR (VT-51), shot down while attacking Chichi Jima*

*Sept. 7, 1776 - David Bushnell attempts to destroy a British Ship of the Line, HMS Asia, in New York harbor with his submarine "Turtle".*

### September Luncheon

**Date:** September 12, 2006  
**Time:** 11:30 AM  
**Place:** Bangor Plaza, Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor  
**Program:** CAPT Reid Tanaka  
 Commanding Officer,  
 Naval Base Kitsap

Call Pioneer Services at 360.405.6336 by Wednesday, Sept 6th to make your reservation. You are asked to call even if you have a standing reservation.

#### RESERVATIONS ARE NECESSARY

All participants must be signed up and on the reservation list. Guests and members without a base pass must also be on the list