

Bullhorn

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

CAPT Bill Cuilik, USN (Ret)



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It's a new year for our Navy League and 2015 promises to be among the most critical in the last two decades for the nation's sea services. Our Sailors, Marines, Coast Guardsmen and Merchant Mariners will face new challenges ahead as the country draws down from over a decade of conflict in Iraq and Afghanistan and the Pensacola Council of the Navy League stands ready to support them. On an individual level, we have many opportunities this year, as in past years, to provide our service members and their families with some well-deserved recognition for their service, and on a larger scale by doing our part to ensure the country stays focused on the need to train and equip our sea services for success in the future. Support

for our sea services is more important now than ever and as the year unfolds, we are looking forward to hosting the recognition events that we are known for, as well as increasing our interaction and engagement with local military organizations. As always, there is something for everyone and some new events that should be of interest to our current members and attract new members. One event is just ahead.

I hope everyone will mark Thursday, February 26th, on their calendar and plan to attend the Military Recognition Day Awards Luncheon at New World Landing. This event recognizes outstanding volunteer community service provided by many truly exceptional service members from NAS Pensacola, Corry Station and NAS Whiting Field. The support provided by our corporate sponsors goes a long way toward making this event one of the biggest and best in Pensacola each year. Member contributions, either through sponsoring an individual Sailor or Marine, or even an entire table truly shows our appreciation for these active duty service members who do so much on their own time to benefit our community. To make a reservation, please contact the Navy League office at 850-456-8552. Additional events, recognizing outstanding enlisted members and military spouses, as well as other special events, will be announced in future editions of the Bullhorn.

I look forward to seeing everyone throughout the year and wish everyone all the best in the year ahead.

Military Recognition Day

Each year Military Recognition Day honors military members who have demonstrated significant community service. The Pensacola Council will recognize those members during a luncheon and ceremony, held February 26th, 11:30 am at New World Landing.



POC Charles Ellis, USN, the 2014
Margaret Flowers Civic Award winner

The honorees are nominated by their commands. One outstanding military community service leader will be selected for the prestigious Margaret Flowers Civic Award. Margaret Flowers is a retired civil service employee who left a legacy of service to both the U.S. Navy and her community. Her long and devoted record of service to the Navy and her community culminated with her final tour as Naval Air Station Pensacola Public Affairs Officer. She embodies the “true esprit de corps of community and social involvement.

For reservations and to sponsor a military member or a table, please contact Lynn Mott at 850-436-8552 or email navyleagueofus@bellsouth.net



ADMIRALS' CLUB HOSTS LUNCHEON

The first Admirals' Club event of the year welcomes CAPT Maureen Padden, USN, Commanding Officer of Naval Hospital Pensacola. Dr. Padden holds an undergraduate degree in Molecular Biology from University of California at San Diego and her Medical Degree from Uniformed Services University in Bethesda, Maryland. Following her internship in Family Medicine at Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton, California, she attended flight surgery training in Pensacola, Florida. Subsequently, she was assigned as the flight surgeon to Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 169 at Camp Pendleton, with whom she deployed to Southeast Asia. In



June 2009, she reported to Naval Hospital Pensacola as the Executive Officer until February 2011, when she reported to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery in Washington, D.C., to serve as Special Assistant to the Navy Surgeon General. She has served as Commanding Officer of Naval Hospital of Pensacola since June 2012. Dr. Padden is considered a highly sought after national speaker. She is will speak at the Admirals' Club luncheon, scheduled for March 26th at the Mustin Beach Club, aboard NAS Pensacola.

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If you wish to give and experience extra support and leadership to the Pensacola Council Navy League's local programs, please consider joining the Admirals' Club. The Admirals' Club hosts several additional events, exclusive to members, throughout the year. For more information, email navyleagueofus@bellsouth.net



Annual Awards Banquet *Freedoms Foundation* *at Valley Forge™*

Each year, the Pensacola Chapter of the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge honors citizens and groups who have received national awards for their activities which influence our community in a positive way. This year's Freedoms Foundation Award Banquet will be held January 27th, 6:00 pm at Seville Quarter's Heritage Hall. One of the honorees is Petty Officer First Class Charles Ellis, Jr., USN. Petty Officer First Class Ellis was the recipient of the 2014 Margaret Flowers Civic Award, during the Pensacola Council Navy League's Military Recognition Day Luncheon. The Freedom Foundation will recognize him for Community Volunteerism and Leadership. The cost to attend is \$25.00 per person. Table sponsorship with eight reservations is \$200. RSVP by January 20th. Contact Jackie Young at (850) 438-4401.

FIRST PLACE IN INSTALLATION EXCELLENCE



The Navy's 2015 Installation Excellence Award goes to Naval Air Station Pensacola, awarded first place in the large installation category, and to Naval Air Station Whiting Field, awarded first place in the small installation category. The annual installation Excellence Award recognizes both the top three large and small installations world-wide and rewards installation performance consistent with Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) strategic criteria for the Department of Defense (DoD) Commander in Chief Installation Excellence Awards.

As first place winners, both NAS Pensacola and NAS Whiting Field move on to represent the Navy for the DoD-wide 2015 Commander in Chief's Annual Award for Installation Excellence, which will be announced in the spring. Congratulations to CAPT Keith Hoskins, USN, Commanding Officer of NAS Pensacola and CAPT Matthew Coughlin, USN (Ret), former Commanding Officer of NAS Whiting Field.



AEROFEST

Mark your calendars for AeroFest, a multifaceted annual festival to take place at the Mobile, Alabama, Brookley Field Aeroplex on March 20th and 21st. The Festival's mission is to raise awareness and actively improve the lives of America's injured warriors, thanks to a confluence of talent, vision and technology that has never been seen before in the production of a live event.

"Mobile AeroFest is much more than an annual event, it is a permanent platform that draws upon a wide array of resources to bring people together and help our veterans in new and exciting ways," said festival co-founder, LtCol Dave Glassman, USMC (Ret). Some of the featured sponsors of the event include Titan FC, the Mobile Airport Authority, the Independence Fund, the Gary Sinise Foundation and leaders from the Gulf Coast's arts, entertainment, culinary and military communities. Join AeroFest, a celebration of the Gulf Coast, to benefit those who have sacrificed so much for our great nation. Source: <http://www.mobileaerofest.com/>



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ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER DANCE

The Pensacola Council celebrated a great year at the Annual Christmas Dinner Dance held December 10th at New World Landing. The program included a recap on the council's accomplishments from outgoing President Tom Furr. Tom introduced and pinned new President CAPT Bill Cuilik, USN (Ret), who then presented Tom with a thank you gift on behalf of the council. RADM Mike White, USN, Commander, Naval Education and Training Command, proceeded over the installation and swearing in of the 2015 Officers and Board Members. Guests enjoyed music and dancing to the All Star Band. The 50/50 Raffle was won by Michelle Wilson, who donated her 50% of the winnings to the organization selected to receive the other 50% of the winnings, which was the USO of Northwest Florida. Michelle Wilson was also recognized for her outstanding service to the Pensacola Council. Very special thanks to Jeri Blankenbeck and her committee for organizing this special event. Special thanks also to Pen Air Federal Credit Union for their sponsorship.



Mrs. Michelle Wilson

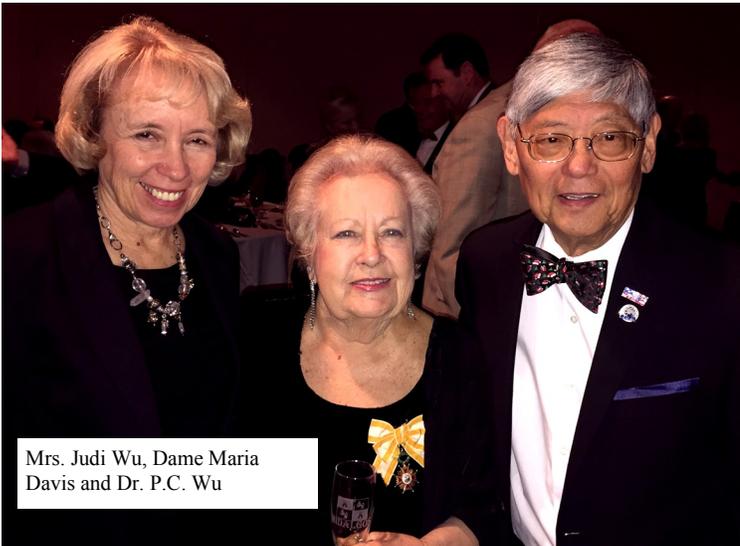
RADM Mike White, USN, swears in the 2015 Officers and Board of Directors



CAPT & Mrs. A.J. Gallardo, USN (Ret) with CAPT & Mrs. Dean-o Fournier, USN (Ret)



CAPT & Mrs. Keith Hoskins, USN, Commanding Officer of NAS Pensacola



Mrs. Judi Wu, Dame Maria Davis and Dr. P.C. Wu



CAPT Bill Cuilik, USN (Ret) announces the winner of the 50/50 raffle



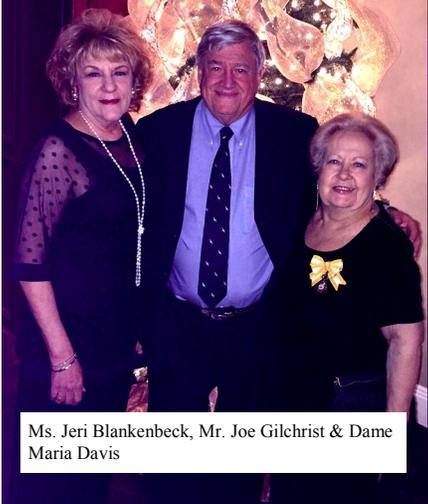
RADM Mike White, USN & Mr. Tom Furr



Mr. Tom Furr accepting his gift from CAPT Bill Cuilik, USN (Ret)



CMDCM & Mrs. Michael Dollen, USN (Ret)



Ms. Jeri Blankenbeck, Mr. Joe Gilchrist & Dame Maria Davis



Center, RADM Don Quinn, USN (Ret), L-R, Mrs. Lynn Tobin, Mr. Buck Mitchell, Mrs. Jean Quinn, Dr. P.C. Wu, VADM Jerry Unruh, USN (Ret), RADM Paul Tobin, USN (Ret) and Mrs. Judi Wu

Spanish Navy Training Ship de Elcano Returns to Pensacola



The Juan Sebastián de Elcano, Spain's "floating embassy," returns to Pensacola on May 27th. The third tallest ship in the world, the Juan Sebastián de Elcano is a four-masted schooner built in 1927. It is named for the Spanish explorer, who in 1519-1522 completed the first circumnavigation of the globe with Ferdinand Magellan's fleet.

Dame Maria Davis, Pensacola's honorary Vice Consul of Spain, is

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responsible for convincing the Spanish Navy to choose Pensacola as one of its ports of call. "The reason we ask the ship to come, is because General Bernardo Galvez won the Battle of Pensacola," Davis said.

In May of 1781, the Spanish Commander defeated British troops, taking Pensacola for his homeland. Each year, Pensacola celebrates the victory. This is the ship's seventh visit to Pensacola. The last visit was in 2009 as part of the city's 450th anniversary of the 1559 arrival of Spanish explorer Don Tristan DeLuna, and the 60th anniversary of the Fiesta of Five Flags. Fiesta celebrates the founding of Pensacola by Deluna, who established Pensacola as the first European settlement in the United States. The ship will be here five days as part of the annual Fiesta of Five Flags celebration.

The Pensacola Council Navy League will play a significant role in the Juan Sebastián de Elcano visit.

Source: <http://www.pnj.com/story/news/local/community/2014/10/07/elcano-set-drop-anchor-pensacola->

College Scholarships Available



The Navy League Foundation awards scholarships to high school seniors who will attend college in the fall. Navy League Foundation Scholarships are available only to children and grandchildren of former members and those currently serving in the Sea Services, as well as members of the Naval Sea Cadet Corps. Presently the Foundation has twenty five endowed scholarships. Scholarships are awarded for four years and provide an award of \$2,500.00 per year. Deadline to apply is March 1st, 2015.

Visit <http://navyleague.org/programs/scholarship.html>



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 CAPT & Mrs. Frederic Jackson, USN (Ret)
 Mr. & Mrs. Robert Organo
 Mrs. Innes C. Richards
 CAPT Ralph Rutherford, USN (Ret)

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 Mr. & Mrs. Sam Foreman, Jr.
 Ms. Tracy Gardner
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 CAPT John O'Hara, USN (Ret)
 Dr. Jesse Penico
 Ms. Peggy Pilcher
 CAPT John Prichard, USMC (Ret)

Mr. David Schallhorn
 Mr. Ercie Stalnaker
 RADM & Mrs. Paul Tobin, USN (Ret)
 VADM Jerry Unruh, USN (Ret)

November 2014

CAPT & Mrs. William Cuilik, USN (Ret)
 Ms. Julia Farrar
 CAPT & Mrs. Kevin Miller, USN (Ret)
 LCDR & Mrs. David Wilhite, USN (Ret)

December 2014

Mr. & Mrs. Steve Bromley
 Mr. John Coe
 Mr. Tom Furr
 CAPT & Mrs. A.J. Gallardo, USN (Ret)
 CAPT Fred Sitten, USN (Ret)
 Ms. Patricia Smith
 Ms. Waverly Wilcox



Lynn Mott, Pensacola Council Navy League Executive Secretary and Carol Monroe, Navy League Board Member and Newsletter Editor, presented a \$200 check, on behalf of the Pensacola Council Navy League, to Heidi Blair, Director of the Northwest Florida USO of Pensacola. Proceeds from this donation were collected for the 50/50 raffle at the Annual Christmas Dinner Dance.

The winner of the raffle was Michelle Wilson, who donated her half of the winnings to the USO.



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Upcoming Events

January 27

Freedoms Foundation Awards Banquet
Heritage Hall, Seville Quarter

February 26

Military Recognition Day Luncheon
New World Landing

March 20 & 21

Mobile AeroFest
Brookley Field, Mobile, AL

March 26

Admiral's Club Luncheon
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*Includes first year local council dues of \$30.00. Local dues will be billed annually.
All of the above assessments include national dues and a subscription to *SEA POWER* Magazine.

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If you wish to give extra support and leadership to the Council's local programs, please join the Admiral's Club.

_____ Yes, I want to join and I have added an additional \$60 contribution

Membership is open to U.S. citizens who are not on active duty with a military service.

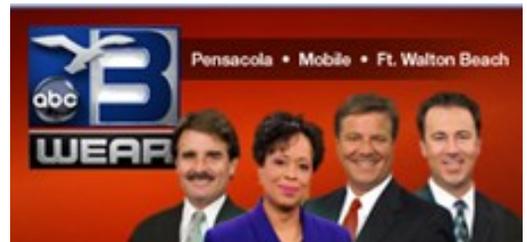
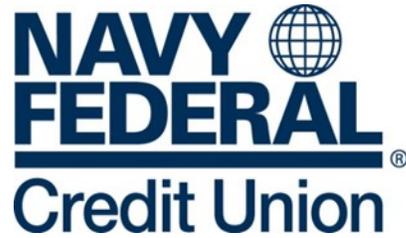
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Applicant's date of birth	Spouse's Name	Spouse's date of birth
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