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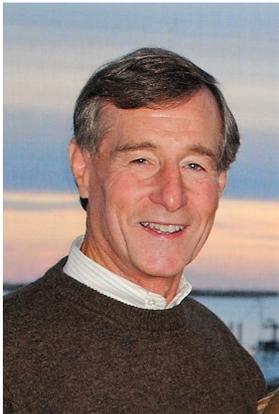
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

CAPT Dan McCort, USN (Ret) President, Pensacola Council Navy League

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Greetings from the "Bridge" and Happy New Year to all! Let me begin this communication with a tip of the hat to our outgoing President Nan Harper. Nan's leadership and vision during the last two years has set the Pensacola Navy League on a path to sustained growth and success. Great job Nan. Well done!

Not taking our foot off the gas for 2019, the Pensacola Navy League has an even more exciting and challenging year ahead. In the near term, we will recognize and honor our local Sea Service and military personnel during our annual Military Recognition Day event held in February at New World Landing. Almost immediately following in March, the Pensacola Navy League will play a significant role in hosting and welcoming back to Pensacola the Spanish "Tall Ship" J. S. de Elcano. For those who have experienced a previous Pensacola visit by that beautiful ship, you cannot help but be excited. For those who have not witnessed a "Tall Ship" of the Elcano size and grandeur

tie up pier side, downtown you are in for a real treat. Information concerning the Elcano's schedule and activities can be found on our Website: www.pensacolanavyleague.org. No sooner will the Elcano's sails disappear over the horizon than it will be time for our Enlisted Appreciation Breakfast hosted at Heritage Hall in Seville Quarter. As an opportunity to recognize and honor so many deserving and community minded Sailors, Soldiers, Airmen and Marines, this is an event not to be missed. With a host of additional legacy and special Pensacola Navy League events to come during the year, you must be sure to stay tuned. Those events will be detailed here in follow-on additions of the Bullhorn as well as on our Website.

Pensacola Navy League priorities this year will be focused on support of our local Sea Service and military personnel as well as our Sea Cadets. Terrific opportunities are available for those with time, talent or resources to lend a hand in one of our many programs and events. Those programs involve interaction with both our local active duty personnel as well as our young Sea Cadets. In addition, with an ever growing Coast Guard presence down on the water front; three Cutters currently homeported here and plans for more, we could use your help. For many of the personnel and the units attached to our local Commands, community involvement is both a desire and a requirement. The Pensacola Navy League is the perfect conduit for satisfying those community involvement requirements. The breadth and depth of our membership energy is needed to help satisfy those requirements.

More importantly, with the new year off to a turbulent political start, our work at the Pensacola Navy League will be all the more critical. We will need to support our Sea Services and their personnel in ways not typically seen. Our Coast Guard, as you are well aware, worked without pay for weeks. We at the local level put plans in place to assist our local Coast Guard families in the short term while Navy League National led the charge to have Coast Guard pay restored. In the event of another Government shutdown, we at the local level must do all in our power to provide the support needed by our Coast Guard neighbors. The "support needed" will vary on an individual and unit level. If you are interested in joining in on that effort, please contact us. We can and will make a difference. Step up. You will be surprised at the change that you can effect.

I will close with a Thank You to our generous sponsors. Until next time, may God Bless.

Military Recognition Day

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 21st, 11:30 am at Skopelos-New World Landing. Honorees are nominated by their commands. Each nominee is recognized, with one outstanding military community service leader 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.

This year's guest speaker is Coach David Wilson, the Studer 55 Community Athletics Coordinator. Wilson has spent 25 years coaching football from the High School ranks, to the highest level of Division I College Football, to the Professional level, collecting one NCAA National Championship, one Southeastern Conference Division Championship, one Atlantic Coast Conference Championship and one Florida State High School Championship.



Currently he enters his second year as the Director of Player Personnel for the AFL's Tampa Bay Storm. Wilson served as Special Teams Coach and Recruiting Coordinator for the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets, appearing in four straight Bowl Games. His recruitment of such players as Calvin Johnson and Deshaun Choice, greatly aided to the success of Georgia Tech.

Wilson joined the Georgia Tech staff after five years with Coach Jackie Sherrill at Mississippi State, where he served as the Director of Football Operations for three seasons. During his time there, the Bulldogs were S.E.C. Western Division Champions in 1998, and played in the Cotton, Peach and Independence Bowls.

He also served two one-year stints at Florida State University, working for Coach Bobby Bowden during the 1992 and 1996 seasons. The Seminoles ranked 2nd in the nation both seasons he was on staff, participating in the 1993 Orange Bowl and the 1997 Sugar Bowl.

Wilson spent eight years coaching High School football in Pensacola and Fort Walton Beach, Florida where he coached players such as, Derrick Brooks, Danny Wuerffel, E.G. Greene and many more dedicated players who made his success possible.

Don't miss the Pensacola Council's biggest and proudest event of the year!

For tickets and military or table sponsorship information, please contact the Navy League office at (850) 436-8552 or email pensacolanavyleague@pensacolanavyleague.org

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Elcano Returns to Pensacola



The Spanish Royal Navy tall ship Juan Sebastián de Elcano will return to Pensacola on March 31st through April 5th.

The visit is part of a world cruise to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the first circumnavigation of the Earth, led by Ferdinand Magellan and Juan Sebastian de Elcano. Magellan died in a battle between warring tribes on Cebu, an island in the Philippines. Elcano finished the voyage.

The Elcano, the third-largest tall ship in the world, last visited Pensacola in 2015, and drew thousands of visitors.

Maria Davis, Pensacola's honorary vice consul of Spain, stated she received confirmation of the visit from Spanish Navy Vice Admiral Ignacio Horcada, who received flight training at Pensacola Naval Air Station.

For the past twenty years, Davis has been instrumental in solidifying Pensacola's relationship with Spain, bringing in various Spanish dignitaries and politicians, including a visit from the king and queen of Spain in 2009.



The ship was commissioned in 1928 and has traveled more distance than any ship in history with more than two million nautical miles to its credit. It is 371 feet long and its crew includes 21 officers, 21 chiefs and 150 enlisted sailors.

The visit is organized by the Pensacola Elcano Society in conjunction with the Fiesta of Five Flags organization, in celebration of Pensacola's rich history under the United States, Spanish, British, French and Confederate rule.

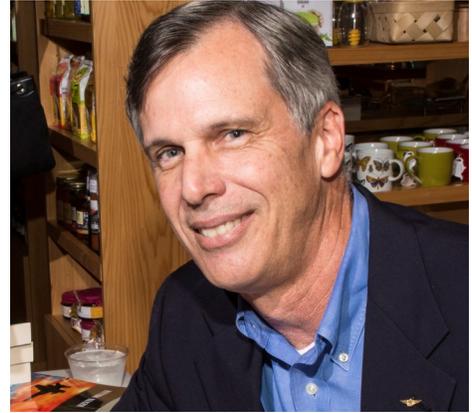
This will be the Elcano's eighth visit to the city since 1959.

Source: <https://www.pnj.com/story/news/2018/09/04/spanish-tall-ship-elcano-return-pensacola-spring/1190267002/>

ADMIRALS' CLUB

Each year the Admirals' Club hosts a speaker series luncheon. This year's event will be held at 11:30 am on Tuesday, March 19th, at the Pensacola Yacht Club.

The guest speaker will be CAPT Kevin Miller, USN (Ret). Kevin is a third generation naval officer. In his career, he flew the A-7E *Corsair II* and FA-18C *Hornet*, deploying overseas six times throughout the 1980's and 90's aboard the aircraft carriers USS *Nimitz* (CVN-68), USS *Dwight D. Eisenhower* (CVN-69), USS *George Washington* (CVN-73), USS *Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN-71) and USS *Enterprise* (CVN-65). He finished his career in the Pentagon, serving on the staff of the Secretary of the Navy, retiring in 2005. After leaving the service, Kevin was employed as an associate at two Washington DC defense consulting firms, and it was during this time he drafted his first novel, *Raven One*. In 2010 he joined the Naval Aviation Museum Foundation as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. Today he is a self-employed defense consultant and an Amazon Best-Selling author of three military action-adventure novels. His latest work, *Fight Fight*, captures his insight of modern naval and aerial warfare and extensive research on the Pacific region.

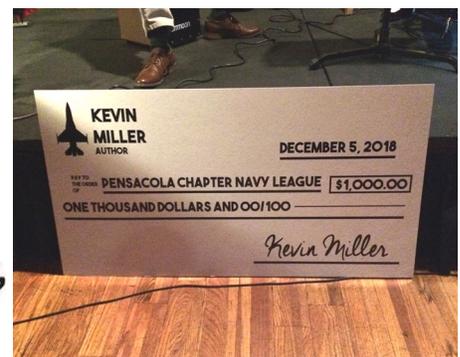


Captain Miller's talk will focus on the very real and serious events taking place in the South China Sea.

All Admirals' Club members and guests are invited to attend. The cost is \$15.00 per person. Please email navyleagueofus@bellsouth.net or call 850-436-8552.

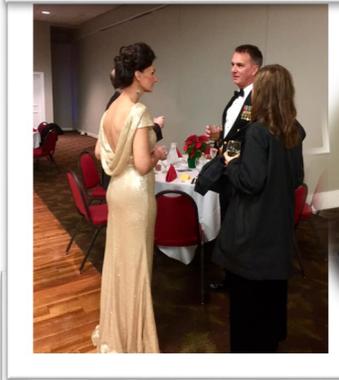


With gratitude to our recent supporters



Christmas Dinner Dance

The Pensacola Council celebrated a great year at the Annual Christmas Dinner Dance held December 5th at Skopelos- New World Landing. Big thank you to outgoing President Nan Harper for her two years of compassionate and dedicated service. Nan was pinned as past President by incoming President CAPT Dan McCort, USN (Ret). Dan presented Nan with a service award signed by Council Board Members. The 2019 President (elect) of the Navy League National, Mr. William Stevenson, assisted by RADM Kyle Cozad, USN, swore in the new Board of Directors for 2019. Board member and bestselling author, CAPT Kevin Miller, USN (Ret), graciously donated a \$1000 check to the council. Guests enjoyed music and dancing to the Joe Occhipinti All Stars Band. 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.









SEA CADETS

INDEPENDENCE SQUADRON



By Jim Crumlish, Community Liaison for the Sea Cadets

Sea Cadets and League Cadets, in 2018, experienced another exceptional year of exciting physical and mental challenges and team building. With Navy League's guidance and support, many new avenues of career paths were exposed to the 24 + Middle and High School Boys and Girls. (With graduating Seniors and incoming youth, the squadron has been averaging between 24 and 30 cadets, over the years.)

Independence Squadron is a strong and very active unit, and compares favorably among other units in areas of our size populations. Big factors include the strength of our Council and the large presence of military units and retirees. Cadets acknowledge the importance of their participation assisting with all of the Sea Services.

In addition to the ongoing monthly 2-day drill period activities of military training, study, ranking up, sea bag and uniform inspections, cadets regularly enjoy special activities away from their Bldg. 626A headquarters.

Some special activities, often community service, include:

- * Color Guard for Navy League, Civilian and Military Events
 - Ice Hockey Games
 - Military Appreciation Day
 - NL Summer Social... (a free event for all members and guests

who may be potential members.) Young Marines joined with our Sea Cadets to form an expanded Color Guard. (Crew members from the USS Tripoli, now under construction, were honored guests.)

- * US Marine Corps Obstacle Course
- * Small Arms Safety Training and Shooting Range, leading up to Marksman for some Cadets.



- * Power Boating Safety Course, all cadets were certified.
- * Beach cleanup at Lake Frederick and later at Robertson Island. Naturally, some fun on boats was involved, both days.
- * Sailing instruction, with Sunfish Sailboats... all cadets certified.
- * Sailing Regatta at MWR boat facility. In addition to racing, cadets enjoyed dumping/righting the Sunfish boats.
- * Assist WWII vets being flown in WWII Stearman aircraft, during the Blue Angel pre-show over Pensacola Beach. Cadets engaged with vets to get to know them and hear some of their stories. One very fortunate cadet, who had won a special test competition, Cadet Bennett, was given a thrilling ride in a Stearman.
- * MWR invited cadets to help with activities at the Blue Angel Homecoming Airshow.

- * Training aboard one of the US Coast Guard Ships, relocated to NAS Pensacola, USCG Cutter Dauntless provided introductory training on the Bridge, in the Engine Room and in Search and Rescue operations.
- * USS Alabama (in Mobile, AL)
 - Cadets participated, as WWII sailors, in a Living History defense of the ship against attacking aircraft.

- * Wreaths Across America, a nationwide annual holiday event, where cadets could help with laying thousands of wreaths at Barrancas National Cemetery.
- * Winter and Summer Training at remote locations where cadets and other youth, from across the country, could learn leadership and exceptional skills.
- * Awards Ceremonies: Pensacola Council Cadets of the Year, National NL Theodore Roosevelt Medals,



Advancements... Mary Beth Geary earned Chief Petty Officer Rank.

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) A major focus in this Unit is to provide a variety of technical challenges that may encourage cadets to pursue one of many valued careers as they mature and enter the real-world workforce.

- * A STEM project has had cadet construct, test Sea Perch and compete with the underwater robotic device.
- * 2-Day STEM program at the National Flight Academy, 36 cadets: Mission planning, Navigation, WX, Communications, Aircraft Simulator Operations.. Graduation ceremony at the Atrium of the National Naval Aviation Museum.
- * Corporate Demo: Quadcopter Construction and Operation. For evaluation by National NL VP and Council Representatives.

2019 is off to a good start with more of the standards and some big surprises. With Council members' help, we can encourage more youth to take advantage of these exciting opportunities.

Pensacola Council BOD and members have helped in many ways... annual funding, scholarships, fundraising at Ice Flyers games and other forms of support. It's important for us to stay actively involved in the development of our youth.





MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

Corporal J. R. Spears Detachment 066



VEHICLE & CYCLE SHOW

8AM - 4PM - APRIL 27, 2019

Live music by Muskogee Ridge



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Chuck Lea (850) 485-8280 or
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Member Category	Dues Breakdown	Sub total
Individual - 1 year membership	Local \$30.00 + National \$55.00	\$ 85.00
Individual - 2 year membership	Local \$60.00 + National \$100.00	\$160.00
Individual - 3 year membership	Local \$90.00 + National \$130.00	\$220.00
Spouse of Active Duty 1 year membership	Local \$25.00 + National \$55.00	\$ 80.00
Local Only – National Life Members*	Local \$30.00 Each (includes National)	\$30.00 ea
E- membership – only electronic version of Sea Power monthly	Local \$30.00 + National \$25.00	\$ 55.00

Section 2 – Optional - Admirals Club (Please join the **Admirals’ Club** If you wish to enjoy the numerous benefits and give extra support and leadership to the Council’s local programs).

Admirals’ Club - \$60.00 individual 1 year membership per person	\$60.00
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Section 3 – Optional - Donation

I wish to make an additional tax deductible donation to the Pensacola Council	\$
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Section 4 – Total – Add amounts from the sub total columns of Sections 1, 2 and 3 above.

Section 1 –Dues	\$
Section 2 – Admirals Club	\$
Section 3 - Donations	\$
Total Payment Amount	\$

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★ CALENDAR OF EVENTS ★

February 21

Military Recognition Day Luncheon
 Skopelos New World Landing

March 19

Admirals' Club Speaker Luncheon
 Pensacola Yacht Club

March 31-April 5

Juan Sebastián de El Cano Visit
 Port of Pensacola

April (TBD)

NJROTC Awards Ceremony
 Washington High School

April 25

Enlisted Appreciation Breakfast
 Seville Quarter Heritage Hall

May

Military Appreciation Month

May 22

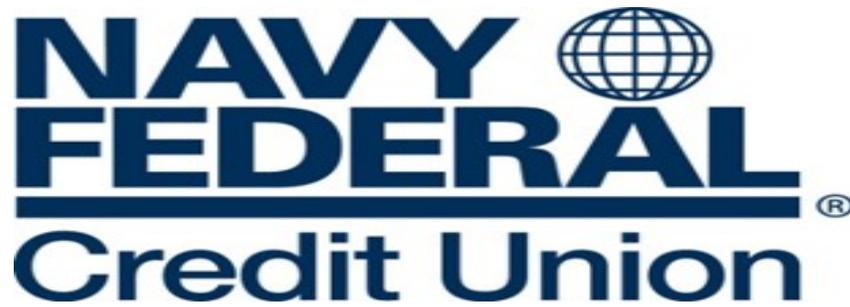
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 Skopelos New World Landing



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