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President's Letter

What a summer it has been! We had two great events this month and a change in our Blue and Gold program leadership. On Aug 1st, Myron Fleming '62 was relieved by Mike McVay '77 as the Blue and Gold Area Coordinator. Myron is stepping down from his role in the Blue and Gold program, but

will continue to serve our Chapter on the Board of Directors.

Over 110 people joined us for the 3rd annual Link in the Chain (LITC) picnic. Thanks to Dan Gruta and Rich Carlquist for the overall planning and coordination and to the many Chapter volunteers who made it all look effortless. A special thanks goes out to the members of the Parents Club who joined in the preparation, cooking, and fun. The weather was much more comfortable than previous years. Tony Clarke once again made sure we stayed hydrated with a keg from Airdale Brewing. Thanks Tony! This year we made a true Link in the Chain connection when the Classes of '62, '63 and '64 sponsored local and visiting Midn from the Classes of '12, '13 and '14. Bravo Zulu to '62, '63 and '64. I hope to see many more of you at the 4th annual LITC picnic next year.

Also this month we had our annual field trip. This year we visited the Littoral Combat Ship (LCS) Shore Based Trainer. It was interesting to see the difference in trainers for the two variants of the LCS and to see how simulators are really preparing our sailors to operate the ship without being at sea. LT Chris Landis '07 is an LCS Junior Officer of the Deck. He was able to join us and certify that the training is very effective. We hope to offer a tour of an actual LCS next year.

Football season is about to begin. Don't forget to join us for football viewing parties at Seau's, the Shore Club, and the Fish Company. Also, keep watching for information on the Navy – Notre Dame game in Ireland on Sept 1, 2012. Many of the tour

companies are booking deals a year in advance. Don't miss your chance to cheer on Navy in the land of the Irish.

Barbettes Lowndes '80
Go Navy! Go San Diego!

Board Vacancy

If you are interested in volunteering for an open board position, please contact Barbettes Lowndes or any of the Board members.

September Luncheon, Come Join Us!!

Our September Chapter Luncheon is scheduled for the 15th at Navy Anchors Club on 32nd Street.

Out Wit, Out Last, Out Play. What does it take to become a contestant on one of the most popular reality game shows on TV, and how do you succeed once you have been selected? Mike Chiesl '02 was a contestant on Survivor: Redemption Island. He will tell us the behind the scenes information about the show and how his experience as a Marine helped him play the game.

Last Call

CAPT Robair F. MOHRHARDT USN (Ret) '49



Captain Robair Mohrhardt passed away peacefully on 12 August 2011. He was 86 years old. CAPT Mohrhardt was born in Brooklyn NY on 18 April 1925 to Emil and Loretta Ferris Mohrhardt. He entered the naval service as a Seaman Apprentice during World War II. He graduated from the Naval Academy in June 1949 and entered flight training earning his wings in 1950.

His duty assignments included Fighter Squadrons in both the Atlantic and Pacific Fleets. A veteran fighter pilot with over 200 combat missions in Korea and Vietnam, his awards include the Legion of Merit, two Distinguished Flying Crosses, two Bronze Stars, 25 Air Medals, the Purple Heart, and two Navy Commendation medals.

He was courageous and strong, loved the country that he served, and treasured his family and friends. He will always be remembered as an officer and gentleman.

CAPT Mohrhardt was predeceased by his wife of 55 years, Beverly "Goose" Mohrhardt. He is survived by daughter, Cindy and her husband George Marshall of Newport, RI; son, Peter and his wife Kristi Mohrhardt and their daughter, Taylor of La Jolla, CA; and family friend, Margot Washburn.

Memorials in Robair's name may be given to San Diego Hospice or Mt. Soledad Memorial Association.

CDR Daniel F. GLEVY USN (Ret) '64

Daniel F. Glevy, born in Newark, New Jersey on September 15, 1940 passed away with loved ones at his side July 12, 2011 in San Diego, where he has been since his retirement from the Navy in 1988.

His Naval career as an officer started at the U.S. Naval Academy, which he graduated from in 1964, and continued a dedicated mission of serving his country which resulted in the honor to serve as a navigational officer in the RA5C Vigilante reconnaissance plane.

He was decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross, an Air Medal, as well as the Meritorious Unit commendation Ribbon for his activities in Vietnam. He continued his career with positions as Executive Officer on the Aircraft Carrier USS Ranger, postgraduate studies in Meteorology in

Monterrey California, continuing with posts in Hawaii, and eventually settling in San Diego where he retired with the rank of Commander.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Glevy, his two sons Michael and Daniel Patrick Glevy, and Patricia's children Don, Dave, Dana, Darryl, Doug, Doryce, and Daython Garcia, as well as Darla Adams and Danylle Ennis. He was predeceased by Linda M. Glevy in 1998.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations are made in his name to the Vietnam Veterans of America.

We are on Facebook; are you?

The Chapter Facebook page is up and running. If you have a Facebook account, go to www.facebook.com and search for "USNA Alumni Association San Diego Chapter" or use the following link <http://www.facebook.com/pages/USNA-Alumni-Association-San-Diego-Chapter/117296792155>.

If you do not have a Facebook account a tutorial is on YouTube at: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OdQhZy1xoul>.

The Facebook page is also linked to our Chapter Website.

Chapter Logo Gear Now On Line

Looking for the perfect shirt for the Army-Navy game or maybe some new glasses for the bar that show your San Diego support? Well, now you can order them on line through the USNA.com Alumni Store. Our new chapter logo is now available and can be put on everything from glass ware to tote bags. Ordering is easy, just go to:

<http://www.navyalumnistore.com/16/Home.htm> directly or through the USNA.com website via the "Shop" button in the toolbar and you can order all kinds of merchandise with our chapter logo. Show your chapter spirit and turn out for the tailgater or monthly lunch in your chapter colors! If you have any questions call Chapter Corresponding Secretary Mike Mowins at (760) 602-0857 or corrsec@usnaasd.com.

Class Rep News

We just filled several Class Rep positions within the Chapter and are eager to fill the gaps.

We still need volunteers for the following year groups: 1950, 1954, 1973, 1992, 1993, 2004, 2006, & 2008. This is a great way to support your Chapter and serve your classmates. Please contact Richard Carlquist USNA '80 at (619) 917-6200 with any questions.

Blue and Gold Update

The Superintendent of the US Naval Academy, Admiral Miller, awarded Captain Myron Fleming the Superior Public Service Award. For over 40 years, Myron Fleming '62 has been supporting the mission of the Naval Academy, most recently as the Blue and Gold Area Coordinator. On Aug 1st, Myron was relieved by Mike McVay. While Myron was chairing the biennial conference of the 100 Area Coordinators, the Superintendent VADM Miller presented Myron with the Navy Superior Public Service Award. Though he retired as our local Area Coordinator, the Academy asked him to continue to chair the Steering Committee which advises the Admissions Office. Well done, Myron!

Nominations - Title 10 of the US Code requires all candidates for appointment to the US Naval Academy have a nomination from an official source. The most common

nomination source for the majority of candidates is the US Congressman from the district where a candidate has a domicile. These congressional nominations ensure that the Brigade of Midshipmen is made up of the young leaders available from all 50 states. Each Congressman normally has one or two USNA vacancies to fill each year. That Congressman can send in ten nominees for each vacancy. All five congressional districts in the San Diego Area (CA-49 to CA-53) send their list of ten names (per vacancy), unranked, to USNA. The Nominations and Appointments Branch of the USNA Admissions Office selects the best qualified candidates to fill the vacancy. Candidate, if they have not done so, need to contact their Congressman ASAP and ask for the Service Academy Nomination Packet to be mailed to their home address. These applications will need to be completed in the next month and the Nomination Boards will be conducted in the late fall.

Letters of Assurance – Many candidates have worked hard this summer to complete their application packages through the USNA Candidate Guidance Office. The first Admissions Board will meet on 8 September and every Thursday thereafter until late spring. Those highly qualified candidates, that can expect offers from other Ivy League schools, may receive a Letter of Assurance (LOA) from the USNA Admissions Office this fall. The LOA is a conditional expression of USNA's interest in a candidate and is a strong indicator of an Offer of Appointment once the condition(s) is/are met (e.g. candidate receives a nomination, candidate is qualified medically).

Letters of Recommendation – Many senior alumni have expressed an interest in drafting Letter of Recommendation (LOR) for candidates. All LORs received, will be included in a candidate's application package. However, not all LORs are reviewed with the same applicability to enhance a candidate's record. Only those LORs that state a long-standing intimate

relationship with a candidate (e.g. four years as a candidate's varsity coach) and that directly comment on a candidate's leadership traits and fitness to serve as a Naval Officer, or provide a unique insight to the Admissions Board add value to the candidate's admissions packet.

New Area Coordinator – Captain Mike McVay '77 has properly relieved Captain Myron Fleming as Area Coordinator for San Diego and Imperial Counties. Captain Fleming remains as a BGO Emeritus and leads the Area Coordinator Steering Committee reporting directly to the Dean of Admissions. Captain Mike Midgley '84 has assumed the duties of Deputy Area Coordinator.

Membership

Current Members – 957

The Importance of Chapter Membership

There is a lot of value as a result of maintaining a current membership in our Chapter. Here are few of the reasons it makes sense to join or renew your Chapter membership:

Blue & Gold Support: The Chapter is the primary funding source for the San Diego Blue & Gold Program which is one of USNA's primary recruiting programs. Between 20 and 30 Plebes from the San Diego area are inducted each year into USNA.

USNA Program Support: From time-to-time Clubs (Rugby, Glee Club, etc.) seek funding assistance for San Diego area visits. If you were involved with a club as a Midn you'll recall that USNA funding generally didn't all club costs....that hasn't changed. The Chapter supports as many club requests as it can.

Chapter On Line Directory Access: Only Chapter members have access to the data base of over 3000 area alumni

Preferred Pricing for Chapter Events: All Chapter events have a non-member surcharge.

It's cheap: \$20/year

It's easy to join: Go to www.usnaasd.com and click on the membership tab.

Call to Action to all San Diego Area Alumni!!! Update your profile by logging onto www.usnaasd.com and clicking on the "My Account" tab in the upper right hand corner. Next, click on the "My Profile" tab in the middle of the page followed by the "Edit Profile" tab. You will be able to update your profile. Be sure to put your year group in the "Year" field in the "School 1" part of the "School Information" section.

Forgot your password? Email the webmaster to receive a temporary one. Please avoid creating a new record.

DATE/TIME	EVENT/SPEAKER	LOCATION/TOPIC	CONTACT
10 Sept/1230	Navy vs. Western Kentucky	Seau's (top side), the Shore Club, & the Fish Company	
11 Sept/0830	9/11 Heroes Run in San Diego	Mission Trails Regional Park	http://www.911heroesrun.com/runs/locations/California/San%20Diego
15 Sept/11:30	Luncheon/Mike Chiesl '02	Anchor Club – 32 nd St./ Survivor: Redemption Island	Secretary@usnaaasd.org
16 Sept/0700	NAVNET	Trellis Garden Grille	tjhammons@aol.com
17Sept/1200	Navy vs. South Carolina	Seau's, the Shore Club, & the Fish Company	

In Process