



The USNA Alumni Association San Diego Chapter Newsletter

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President's Letter

Greetings Fellow Alumni!

It brings me great joy and a sense of honor to be able to serve you and our chapter for the next two years. I hope to enhance our chapter's vision of serving "the community and social needs of our Chapter members through activities and programs that bond members of all classes and all generations in a common tradition of service, citizenship, fellowship and mutual support."

The past presidents have done an amazing job of building the structure of our Chapter that it is now time for us to focus on enhancing the community that we live in and the professional and personal growth of our Chapter members and their families. If you are up for the challenge, our board is still in need of filling a few key positions, specifically Vice President 1 and VP of Membership.

To kick off the summer, our Chapter is hosting some key events that you don't want to miss! First is our Link-in-the-Chain picnic. It will be held August 1st at a new location, the Marine Corps Recruit Depot Picnic Area. It's a great place to catch up with old classmates and meet new alumni. Next is our annual August Tour which will be at the Maritime Museum on August 11th. We will meet for a morning tour and follow it with lunch at the Indigo Café on the top floor of the County Admin Building, which hosts a spectacular view of the Bay and the Maritime Museum.

I want to personally thank Alan Lerchbacker for his dedication and service to our Chapter for the past two years. It has been a pleasure serving under him as his 1st VP and witnessing his love for USNA and our Chapter. Thank you, Alan!

I look forward to seeing you at these events and those in the near future!

BEAT ARMY!!!

Gilda

Upcoming Luncheons

July 21

Admiral Baker Clubhouse

RADM Len Hering, USN, (ret), Executive Director at Center for Sustainable Energy

Aug 1

MCRD Picnic Area

Link-in-the-chain Picnic

Class Rep News & Gouge

We are AT 1,000 members - who will be 1001? Keep recruiting your classmates to join the biggest & best USNAAA Chapter worldwide! Class Reps are still needed for the following year groups: 1943, 1945, 1946, and 1954. Please contact and encourage your local Classmates who are not yet Chapter members or need to renew their lapsed membership to join or renew and stay connected with our super USNAAA San Diego Chapter and receive excellent member benefits with discounted pricing to most of our events. FYI, the primary reason stated by Navy Grads for not joining the USNAAA San Diego Chapter is that they assume that USNAAA Life Membership with Annapolis automatically signs them up for membership in their local USNAAA Chapter - this is not the case at all. When you meet a Classmate or USNA Alum, provide them the gouge about our local Chapter and direct them to the USNAAA San Diego Chapter website www.usnaaasd.com to sign-up to become a local member - thank you very much for your assistance! The Class Rep position has proven to be the cornerstone for strengthening local USNA and Classmate camaraderie while at the same time promoting all of our upcoming San Diego Chapter luncheons and special events. Serving as a Class Rep is a great way to stay connected with your local area Classmates by encouraging their support of our Chapter as well as by keeping everyone up to speed on all of our current USNA news and upcoming Chapter gatherings. Please contact Vice President for Membership, Nick Norris, '03 at vpmembership@usnaaasd.com to volunteer to fill a Class Rep vacancy or to discuss any questions regarding application for local Chapter membership. Thank you very much for staying connected with your local Classmates and fellow Alumni - Go Navy, Beat Army!

Membership

Current Members – 1000

Paid Members – 469

The Importance of Chapter Membership

There is a lot of value as a result of maintaining a current membership in our local San Diego 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.

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 cover all team activity costs, this has not changed. The Chapter supports as many requests as it can.

Chapter On-Line Directory Access: Only Chapter members have access to the database of over 3000 area alumni.

Preferred Pricing for Chapter Events: All Chapter events have a non-member surcharge, so you will normally save \$5/event.

It's Cheap & Easy to Join: \$25/yr; \$15/yr Active/Reserve O-3 & below. Visit www.usnaasd.com and click on the membership tab.

Call to Action to all San Diego Area Alumni!!! Please 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 Chapter Webmaster to receive a temporary one. Please avoid creating a new record.

Friend us on Facebook! Search for "USNA Alumni Association San Diego Chapter" or use the following link: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/USNA-Alumni-Association-San-Diego-Chapter/11729679215>.

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 online 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.navalumnistore.com/16/Home.htm> directly or through the [USNA.com](http://www.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.

Obituaries

VADM David C. Richardson, USN (Ret) '36

Vice Admiral David Charles Richardson passed away peacefully in his San Diego home on Saturday, June 13, 2015. He was 101 years old.

David was born in Meridian, Mississippi in 1914, the only child of Isaiah and Anne Kate Richardson. He earned the rank of Eagle Scout, graduated from Marion Institute and attended the United States Naval Academy. He graduated 4 June 1936 with the other 260 members of the Class of 1936. After two years on the battleship Tennessee (BB-43) he was selected for flight training in Pensacola and earned his wings in 1940.

David flew the Grumman F3F, the last American biplane fighter and the F4F Wildcat in Fighting Squadron Five. In 1942, flying off the USS Saratoga (CV-3), was credited with the first kill of a Japanese 'May' seaplane. Later near Guadalcanal Island, he shot down three additional enemy aircraft and was himself shot down. He earned his Distinguished Flying Cross, the Bronze Star, Air Medals and the Purple Heart during that action. Later in the war he commanded Fighter Squadron One.

Following WWII, David studied at the Royal Navy Staff College in London and then spent two years at

the Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island as a student and staff. He commanded Carrier Air Group 13 during the Korean War and served in mid-career staff tours including naval aviation planning for both Europe and the Pacific. Additional commands included USS Cimarron (AO-22) and the aircraft carrier USS Hornet (CV-12) where he won the Battle Efficiency Award. In addition to the decorations previously mentioned, he also earned three Distinguished Service Medals and a Presidential Unit Citation during his career in addition to numerous campaign awards.

With promotion to Rear Admiral, David commanded Carrier Division Five/CTF-77 off Viet Nam. In 1968, he was selected for Vice Admiral and commanded the Sixth Fleet based in Gaeta, Italy. In 1972, he retired as Deputy Commander, Pacific Fleet based in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii and his family returned to Julian, California.

Following his naval service, David began consulting and advising in the exploitation of intelligence and in the technology of command and control of naval forces. He served many years on national intelligence panels, including the Naval Research Advisory Committee and was a member of the Naval Intelligence Advisory Board. On his 95th birthday, David received a formal recognition for his significant contributions to naval intelligence.

David and his wife of 54 years, Jeanne enjoyed residing in a Julian cabin that Jeanne had built in the 1960s, a home David had built in Coronado in the 1940s, and Jeanne's home in San Diego built by her family in 1920s. They were married in 1955; Jeanne M. Simonds was a Navy widow and mother of Caprice. He had two sons from a previous marriage, David and Robert. They combined families and added three more children of their own, Ruthanne, Schamber and Samuel. For many years, the family enjoyed their Mammoth Lakes condo in the mountains of California where they fished the streams and lakes in summer and skied in winter. They saw all six children graduate from colleges across the country and remained involved in their lives.

David was preceded in death by his wife Jeanne in June, 2014 and his son David W. (Commander retired) in May of 2015. Surviving David is Caprice (Dan), Robert, Ruthanne (John), Schamber (Mark), Sam (Beth) (Captain, retired), and daughter-in-law Margaret. He has twelve grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, two sisters-in-law and various nephews and nieces.

Throughout his retirement, David remained active in the Episcopal Church, the Julian Lions Club, QED, Golden Eagles, Tailhook Association and various military intelligence organizations.

Services will be held Thursday, July 16, 2015, at 10:00 AM at All Saints Episcopal Church in San Diego with a private burial with full military honors at Miramar National Cemetery.

CAPT Charles B. Bishop USN (Ret) '42

Captain Charles B. Bishop died on June 18th, 2015 in San Diego, CA, at the age of 94. He was born 8 August 1920 in New Haven, Connecticut and raised there by his mother Kathleen. He attended the U. S. Naval Academy, entering in June 1938 with the Class of 1942. His class was accelerated, graduating 19 December 1941, twelve days after the US Navy Base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii was attacked by the Japanese. The Class of 1941 before them had also been accelerated graduating 4 months early in February 1941. The Naval Academy graduated two classes in the year 1941.

During World War II he served aboard USS CUMMINGS (DD-365), which was in Pearl Harbor on 7 December and then escorted convoys between San Francisco and Hawaii and later to the South Pacific Islands of Fiji, Tahiti and New Zealand through the Fall of 1942. CAPT Bishop was accepted for submarine duty and was assigned to Submarine School in New London, CT. Training involved service aboard USS O-7 (SS-68) which had been activated after a decade in mothballs to train sub crews in New London throughout WWII and was CAPT Bishop's first submarine assignment. His next assignment was USS PIRANAH (SS-389) a new construction submarine commissioned in early February 1944. PIRANAH conducted six war patrols in the western Pacific during World War II, receiving 5 battle stars.

After the war he continued to serve in submarines as XO of USS SEGUNDO (SS 398), CO of USS BARB (SS-220), one of the most famous submarines of WWII while under the command of Medal of Honor awardee ADM Eugene Fluckey; XO of USS Samuel B. Roberts (DD-823), a Gearing-class destroyer; CO of USS BAYA (AGSS-318) which was a Balao-class WWII Fleet submarine re-commissioned 10 February 1948 and converted to an electronics experimental submarine. Next, CAPT Bishop commanded USS BASHAW (SSK-241), a Gato-class WWII submarine reactivated in 1953 and classified as a hunter killer submarine (SSK) homeported in San Diego; His 4th command was USS WITEK (EDD-848), given the unusual classification of electronic development destroyer (EDD) when assigned to perform operational tests of ASW electronics equipment and later be the test-bed for a pump-jet propulsion system. CAPT Bishop's 5th command was a deep draft ship, USS ARNEB (AKA-56). He was subsequently Commander, Amphibious Squadron Seven.

He served on the staffs of the Office of Naval Research (ONR), the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) and the Chief of Naval Material (NAVMAT) in undersea research and Development (R&D) positions. He was instrumental in bringing the Deep Submergence Vehicle, Bathyscaph TRIESTE to the US and fostered the development of deep ocean exploration. His final tour was Commanding Officer, Naval Undersea Center on Point Loma.

After retirement from the Navy, CAPT Bishop was the Assistant Director of the Marine Physical Laboratory, Scripps Institution of Oceanography for 15 years. He received the Roger Revelle Award in 2002 for his contributions to Ocean Science.

In addition to his Bachelor's degree from the Naval Academy, CAPT Bishop earned a Master of Science degree from UCLA. His military

awards include: Bronze Star medal, Legion of Merit (2 awards), Navy Commendation medal and various other campaign and foreign service medals and ribbons.

He was a member of the Marine Technology Society and enjoyed community service including the San Diego Ocean Foundation and Boy Scout Troop 500.

He was predeceased by his wife of 68 years Alnora and is survived by his four children, five grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and by the second great love of his life, Jane Walker.

Services will be held at St Agnes Church at 9:30 AM on 19 July. Interment will be at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery in a private ceremony. His family requests donations in lieu of flowers be made to the Wounded Warriors Foundation, the San Diego Ocean Foundation and Boy Scout Troop 500.

Financial News

2014 Financial report is available upon request. Please contact Chapter Treasurer.

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES are listed below. Please call the VP Membership or email vpmembership@usnaasd.com if you are interested in filling an opening. Class Reps will be invited to an annual training event in April. Classes that have graduated 60 or more years ago are provided a free Lifetime Membership. A “*” indicates the Decades Rep. Class Rep e-mail addresses are located on the USNAAA San Diego Chapter website.

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| DATE/TIME | EVENT/SPEAKER | LOCATION/TOPIC | EVENT INFORMATION* |
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| 21Jul2015, 1115 | Monthly Luncheon : RADM Len Hering, USN, (ret), Executive Director at Center for Sustainable Energy | <i>Admiral Baker</i> - 2400 Admiral Baker Rd San Diego, CA 92120 | Contact: Gilda Reeves '98, president@usnaaasd.com |
| 17Jul2015, 0700 | NAVNET | Trellis Garden Grill, Town & Country resort, 500 Hotel Cir N, San Diego, CA 92108 | Contact: Tom Hammons '71, 858.538.9824, tjhammons@aol.com |
| 01AUG2015, 1200 | Link in the Chain Picnic | MCRD Picnic Area | http://www.usnaaasd.com/article.html?aid=445 |
| 11AUG2015, 1000 | Summer Tour | San Diego Maritime Museum 1492 N Harbor Dr, San Diego, CA 92101 | Contact: Gilda Reeves '98, (858) 220-1108, president@usnaaasd.com |
| 08AUG015, 0700 | NAVNET | Trellis Garden Grill, Town & Country resort, 500 Hotel Cir N, San Diego, CA 92108 | Contact: Tom Hammons '71, 858.538.9824, tjhammons@aol.com |
| 05SEP2015, 0900 | Navy Football vs Colgate | Navy Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, TBA local sites | Televised on CBS Sports Network |
| 15SEP2015, 1115 | Monthly Luncheon : Speaker TBA | <i>Admiral Baker</i> - 2400 Admiral Baker Rd San Diego, CA 92120 | Contact: Gilda Reeves '98, president@usnaaasd.com |
| 18SEP2015, 0700 | NAVNET | Trellis Garden Grill, Town & Country resort, 500 Hotel Cir N, San Diego, CA 92108 | Contact: Tom Hammons '71, 858.538.9824, tjhammons@aol.com |
| 19SEP2015, 1230 | Navy Football vs East Carolina | Navy Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, TBA local sites | Televised on CBS Sports Network |
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Luncheon Reservation RSVP: reservations@usnaaasd.com or (626) 644-6452 NLT the Monday preceding the event.

\$20 Member with RSVP; \$25 Non-Member or Member at the door

New Member/Renewal: \$25 per year, \$15 Active/Reserve O-3 and below

Luncheon/New Member/Renewal Form: Please make checks payable to: USNAAA San Diego, 765 Alpine Heights Road Alpine, CA 91901

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| City _____ | | State _____ | Zip _____ |

*Please visit <http://www.usnaaasd.com/events.html> for additional event information and RSVP.