



The USNA Alumni Association San Diego Chapter Newsletter

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President's Letter

Greetings!

We had a great turnout at the Class of '22 Plebe Welcome Dinner. It was inspiring to see the new crop of midshipman that will follow our footsteps as they enter the Naval Academy this Summer.

Our annual "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" event this week was also a great success. If you left early, you missed a great finish as the Padres defeated the Marlins in the bottom of the ninth inning. Thanks again Ben Hobbs '02 for making this a great event.

We are still looking for volunteers to help at the ASYMCA Neighborhood Exchange on Thursday, June 28. Please contact me if you are interested in this worthwhile event.

Stay tuned for SACC San Diego scheduled Aug 23-24 at the Manchester Grand Hyatt. Our alumni association will have a booth there and sponsor a happy hour. We are also looking for more Blue & Gold officers. If interested, please contact Mike Philbrook '83.

Thanks again to all of the volunteers that make this chapter run so well! Please stay plugged into our chapter website, and remember to spread the word about our events, bring a friend, and renew your memberships!

BEAT ARMY!!!

Craig

Upcoming Events

Thu, June 7 @ 5:30PM – 7:30PM

First Thurs Networking Happy Hour
Cutwater Spirits
9750 Distribution Ave, San Diego

Fri, Jun 15 @7:00AM

NAVNET at the Admiral Baker Clubhouse

Wed, Jun 20 @11:30AM – 1:00PM

Chapter Luncheon (Dave & Buster's)
Speaker: CDR Ben Oakes '99
CO, USS PINCKNEY (DDG 91)

Sat, Jun 23 @ 9:00AM-12:30P

Strategic Planning Meeting
Location: TBD

Thurs, Jun 28 @ 08:30AM-12:30PM

ASYMCA Neighborhood Exchange
Food Bank – Volunteers needed
POC: Craig Smith '82

Future Events

Thu, Jul 05 @ 5:30PM – 7:30PM

First Thurs Networking Happy Hour
Cutwater Spirits
9750 Distribution Ave, San Diego

Fri, Jul 20 @7:00AM

NAVNET at the Admiral Baker Clubhouse

Wed, Jul 18 @11:30AM – 1:00PM

Chapter Luncheon (Dave & Buster's)
Speaker: Sea Story Contest
Cash Prizes!!!!

Wed, 25 Jul @ 5:30PM-7:00PM

Chapter Board Meeting
Wood Ranch Grill

Sat, Sep 1 @ TBD

Navy Football vs. Hawaii (in Hawaii)

Thurs, Oct 25 @ TBD

Navy/Notre Dame Golf Tournament
Riverwalk Golf Course

Fri, Oct 26

Navy/Notre Dame Alumni Luncheon
MIDWAY Museum

Sat, Oct 27

Navy/Notre Dame Football Game
SDCCU Stadium, San Diego

Class Rep News and Gouge

Membership:

Current Members – 995
Paid Members – 425

“SIR, I’ll find out SIR!!” – Chapter Information Corner:

If you are still on active duty, if you're transitioning out of the service, or if you're an established veteran in the San Diego community, send any ideas for events that

you'd like to see or take part in, groups you'd like us to connect with, or services that you'd like to see to our new Chapter VP at Benjamin.s.hobbs@gmail.com.

Why Join your San Diego Chapter?

- **USNA Program Support:** Give back to the next generation and continue the chain
- **Chapter On-Line Directory Access:** Connect or Reconnect with fellow alums in the area
- **Preferred Pricing for Chapter Events:** Enjoy discounts at fun events that keep us in touch
- **Camaraderie and Networking:** Get plugged into a vibrant community of veterans and leaders in America's Finest City
- **It's Economical & Easy to Join!**

Last Call/Obituaries:

Edward William Behm '45

Captain Edward W. Behm USN (Ret.) of Coronado, CA passed away on 24 March 2018 at the age of 95. "Ed" was born in Los Angeles, CA, 23 Nov 1922 to William Carl Behm and Sarah George Behm, graduating from Manual Arts High School in Los Angeles. In 1941, Ed received his congressional appointment to the United States Naval Academy, graduated in 3 years with the Class of 1945. Ed married Elizabeth Ann Muir on January 5, 1945 in Los Angeles, CA.

After graduation, Ed embarked upon a 30-year naval career. In World War II, he was a Communications Officer and Plank Officer on USS TUCSON (CL-98). This cruiser was the decoy for the planned Third Fleet's invasion of Japan. It was one of the first to reach Tokyo bay. Post war, Ed served on USS CATAMOUNT (LSD-17), USS POCONO (AGC-16), USS WORCESTER (CL-144), USS MASON (DD-852), and USS WALKER (DD-517). In 1950, he received his Master of Communications Engineering from Naval Postgraduate School.

In 1954, he was Assistant Professor of Naval Science, NROTC Unit, at the University of Southern California.

He was Commanding Officer of USS MCGINTY (DE-365), Flag LT for CINCPACFLT in Honolulu, Office of Chief

of Naval Operations as Assistant Director of Fleet Communications Division. He commanded the USS AGERHOLM (DD-826) receiving the Navy Commendation Medal for Service, was CO of Navy Radio Frequency Spectrum Activity, CO of USS UNION (LKA-106) receiving Commendation Medal with Combat "V", CO of USNCS, Iceland, Operations Officer for Staff COMPHBPAC in Coronado, and Chairman Allied Radio Frequency Agency NATO, Brussels. Upon military retirement in 1974, living in Coronado, CA, Ed began a second successful career in the communications-electronics industry.

Ed's joy was community involvement and sailing. He acquired his Coast Guard License, was Treasurer for the San Diego Naval Sailing Club, taught sailing for 30 years, raced the Ensenada Race, sailed the Caribbean numerous times, and served on the San Diego County Grand Jury. He was active in the Naval Academy Alumni Association, USS Tucson reunions, Optimist Club, Scottish Rite, Sojourners, and, MOAA.

Ed is survived by two children, Joanne Behm (Bill) Narberth, PA and Cynthia Broadhead (Stephen) Laguna Niguel, CA, three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He was laid to rest 25 May 2018 at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery in San Diego.

Homer Richard Bivin '47

CAPT Homer Richard Bivin passed away on 2 May 2018. He was born in Ventura, CA, on 8 February 1924. He was 94 years of age. His parents were Wilrus Rusty Bivin and Harriet E. Bivin. His mother died when he was a young boy and Dick was brought up primarily by his grandmother.

After attending high school in Ventura, Dick joined the Navy in December 1941. He went to Boot Camp and Torpedoman "A" school in San Diego, CA. He was then assigned to USS WOODWORTH (DD-460) and participated in the Aleutian Islands and occupation of the Guadalcanal Island campaigns. He entered the Naval Academy in 1943 and graduated a year early in June 1946, a member of the class of 1947. While at the Academy, he was a member of the varsity wrestling team.

He served aboard USS BOXER (CV-21) in the Pacific and was a member of the commissioning crew of USS CORAL SEA (CVB-43). In 1948, he was selected for submarine duty and reported to Submarine School in New London CT, where he met his future wife, Joan Marie Jossen of Douglaston, Long Island. His first submarine assignment was aboard USS REMORA (SS-487) in San Diego. Subsequent submarine tours were on BLUEGILL (SS-242), BAYA (SS-318), SABLEFISH (303), and SPIKEFISH (SS-404) before his command tour aboard USS GREENFISH (SS-351). His surface ship command was USS CAMBRIA (APA-36).

Dick's shore and staff assignments were: Harvard NROTC instructor; Stanford University where he earned an MA degree; Bureau of Naval Personnel; Armed Forces Staff College; CINCUSNAVEUR, London; Commander, Submarine Division 101; Commander, Submarine Force Atlantic, Staff; and US Military Assistance Command Vietnam (MACV), Staff.

His major shore commands were Naval Recruit Training Command, San Diego and Naval Training Center, San Diego, CA.

Dick's military awards included the Legion of Merit, Joint Services Commendation Medal, two Meritorious Service Medals and the Navy Achievement Medals, plus various area campaign medals and ribbons for service in World War II, the Korean conflict and Vietnam.

After Dick retired from his naval career of 35 years, he was the business manager for The Bishop's School in La Jolla, CA. He also was a business manager of a small computer company and a partner in building a medical office in Escondido, CA.

Dick was an avid sailor, traveler and skier. He celebrated his 80th birthday on the slopes of Mammoth Mountain and thoroughly enjoyed the free ski pass due to his age.

Dick is survived by his wife of 67 years, Joan Jossen Bivin, daughter JoAnn Bivin Wornham of Carmel Valley and two grandsons, Tommy and John Wornham of Carlsbad.

For more obituaries, see our chapter website.

Find us on Social Media!



Luncheon Reservation RSVP: reservations@usnaaasd.com or (619) 623-5509 NLT Tuesday before 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, 2682 W Victoria Dr Alpine, CA 91901

Full Name _____	Class _____	Phone _____	Cell _____
NickName _____	Rank _____	Service _____	Spouse _____
Email: Primary _____			
Email: Alternate _____			
Home Address _____	City _____	State _____	Zip _____

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

Date/Time	Event/Speaker	Location/Topic	Event Contact Info
Jun 07, 2018; 5:30PM-7:30PM	First Thursday Networking Happy Hour	Cutwater Spirits 9750 Distribution Ave San Diego, CA	Caroline Rodi '98 caroline.rod@gmail.com
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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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Contact our VP for Membership, Caroline Rodi '98 to fill a Class Rep vacancy or regarding application for local Chapter membership.