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President's Letter

This month I had the privilege of joining the USNA Parent's Club for a Halloween candy packing party. According to the parents, the upperclassmen treat-or-trick at the doors of the plebes, so the Parent's Club loaded up boxes of goodies to keep the treats flowing and the tricks to a minimum. I don't know when this tradition started, but it sounds like fun. While at the packing party, Elizabeth

Gross from the USNA Foundation spoke about the relationship between the Foundation and the network of Parent's Club. Did you know that $1.8M in donations came from the Parent's Club last year! Each parent was given a few minutes to update the gathering on the current accomplishments and challenges in the lives of their Midshipmen. It sounds like all our San Diego Mids are doing really well.

Jason Jackson '02 has joined the Chapter Board of Directors, filling a vacancy left by the passing of Steve Haines '68. Jason has been an active Class Rep for a number of years. Some of you met Jason at the Link in the Chain picnic when he talked with us about the book "In The Shadow Of Greatness" written by the Class of 2002. Speaking of the book, there will be a special evening leadership forum and community networking event with the authors of the book on Nov 14. Watch our website and email announcement for details.

Finally, at a Chapter Board meeting this month, the board voted to raise the annual dues by $5 per year for everyone except Lifetime Members. Lifetime Members are those are 60 years or more past graduation. The new rates go into effect Jan 1, 2013. We are offering a one-time opportunity to pay dues for up to three years in advance at the current rate as long as payment is made by Dec 31, 2012. See the special article in this newsletter for more details.

Barbette Lowndes '80
Go Navy! Go San Diego!

Upcoming Luncheons!!

November: CDR John Kochendorfer '94, the PCO for USS Coronado LCS 4 will be speaking to us between his trips to Mobile Alabama where he and his crew are learning the in's and out's of the ship. He will tell us the difference between LCS 1 & 3 and LCS 2 & 4.

December: 24th Annual Army-Navy Golf Classic, December 7, 0900 at ADM Baker Golf Course.

Blue and Gold Update

November is Congressional Nomination Board Season and OPINFO. Local Congressional Offices will be conducting selection boards to award nominations to each of the service academies for candidates that apply from their district. These board are made up of alumni from all of the service academies and the board members review records and vote to nominate the candidates that will best serve the Nation as leaders in our armed services. If you are interested in serving on a board contact your local Congressional Office.

The USNA Candidate Guidance Office has shifted priorities to send midshipmen to support Operation Information (OPINFO) during the Thanksgiving Holiday period. Unfortunately for San Diego, we are not considered under-represented as we constantly sent at least 15 – 30 young men and women to USNA and NAPS each year. We are scheduled to have two midshipmen support OPINFO and most of the events will be low key meet and greet events – a great time for candidates to share a cup of coffee and questions with a midshipman. Our Annual Holiday reception is coming up in late December – more details will be supplied in next month's newsletter.

Area Statistics (as of 23 October 2012) --
160 Schools -- 34 BGOs/NAIAs:
Students: 282
Candidates: 209
Candidates Needing Interviews: 157
Interviews Completed: 56
Candidates dropped: 10
Candidates at 100% Complete: 29
Conditional Offers of Appointment: Five
Fully Qualified Offers: Two
Offers Accepted: One

Class Representative News

Thank you Class Reps for communicating with your Classmates about all of our great events. Please invite your area Classmates who are not members to join

our Chapter, especially with the big Army-Navy Football bash on the horizon. The Class Rep position is an extremely important link to promoting Chapter events and inspiring Classmate unity. We need USNA Grad volunteers for the following year groups: 1944, 1954, 1973, 1995, and 2011. This is a great way to support our Chapter and serve your Classmates. Please contact Craig Smith '82 at (619) 623-5509 with any questions or comments regarding membership or being a Class Rep.

Membership

Current Members – 927
Paid Members – 403

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 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 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 data base 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: $20/yr; $10/yr Active/Reserve O-3 & below. Visit www.usnaaasd.com and click on the membership tab.

Call to Action to all San Diego Area Alumni!!!
Please update your profile by logging onto www.usnaaasd.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.

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/117296792155.

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!

Last Call
Colonel Randlett "Tex" LAWRENCE USMC (Ret) '49

Tex Lawrence played football at the center of Navy's line, hurled the javelin and was the heavy weight boxing champion of the Naval Academy. But all of that was just preparation for his career as a warrior, a modern-day Achilles and an outstanding Marine. He was a Marine's Marine.

Col. Randlett T. Lawrence was born at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia on June 26, 1926 to Renn Metsker Lawrence and Lillian Lee Towns. His father, Renn, was a career Cavalry Officer in the US Army. His older brother, Renn Jr., Tex and their mother who was an invalid from polio from childhood, moved with Renn Sr. from one cavalry post to another.

In the summer of 1943, Tex worked on the King Ranch in South Texas and met Bob Kleberg, the Ranch Manager. His brother, Richard Kleberg, was the representative from the 14th Congressional District in Texas. Tex's uncle John G. Towns and the Klebergs mentored Tex for an appointment to the Naval Academy. In his senior year he moved to Washington, DC and attended the Capital Page School while working as a Congressional Page. Then he enlisted and went from Marine Boot Camp in San Diego in 1944 to the Naval Academy. Tex graduated from the Academy in 1949 and was commissioned a 2nd Lt.

During his career, Tex qualified for several inter-service positions as a Ranger, Parachutist, and Scuba Diver and in Special Forces Operations. He was the first Marine Corps Advisor to Chile and as the Defense Attache in the Dominican Republic. He commanded infantry and reconnaissance units from sections to regiments in size, at sea and ashore. His combat experiences were in Korea and Vietnam. In Korea in 1951, Tex led a Marine rifle platoon. In Vietnam he went from a rear echelon commando flying out of Saigon in 1964 to the liaison officer who coordinated the Marines landing near Danang in June 1965.

His last seven years in the Marine Corps were passed in the Inspection Division at Headquarters Marine Corps in Arlington, Virginia as an Inspection Team Head then as the Assistant Inspector General. His service medals consist of: Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, the Air Medal, Joint Services Commendation, Purple Heart, China Service, National Defense, Korean Service, Vietnam Service, United Nations Service Operations and Naval Observation medal as well as a Parachutist Badge and Naval Aviation Observer. In addition to his USNA BS degree he also earned a Masters degree in Latin American Studies from Georgetown University in 1977. He also attended the Naval War College in Newport, RI and several Marine Corps service schools.

Tex retired from the Marine Corps in 1979. For many years he was an avid tennis player at the San Diego Racquet Club where he worked out daily. He published five books: "Quantico Marines, Who Fought on Football Fields", "It Can Be Done", "Belleau Wood" and "Remembrance" and "The Naval Academy Class of 1949".

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Rosenthal-Lawrence, daughter and son-in-law Sandra and Roy Bonham,

grandchildren, Otis, Rachel, Darcy, stepchildren Valerie, Mark, Kim and Steve Rosenthal and five step-grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

A Memorial Service will be November 9, 2012, 11:00 AM at the MCRD Chapel, San Diego A celebration of his life is pending. In Tex's memory, the family requests donations be made to the Naval Academy Foundation, 566 Brownson Road, Annapolis, MD 21402-5040 or the Alzheimer's Association, P.O. Box 96011, Washington, DC 20090-6011.

Annual Dues Are Going Up!

Did you know the annual dues have been $20 per year since at least 1996? It's time to raise the dues by $5 per year. The new rates will take effect Jan 1, 2013 becoming $25 per year for standard members and $15 per year for junior members (open to all junior officers O-1 to O-3). Lifetime members are still free after reaching 60 years or more past graduation.

What are we going to do with the extra money? The extra revenue will help us support Midshipmen needs like assistance to visiting sports teams. It will also help us support Midshipmen candidates who may need financial help attending summer seminar. We will also use the money for our own signature events.

If you become a member or renew your membership by Dec 31, 2012, you can pay for up to 3 years at the current rate. The easiest way to join or renew your membership is via our website, just click on the Membership tab at the top of the page. Don't miss out on this limited time opportunity.

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES are listed below. Please call the VP Membership or email vpmembership@usnaasd.com if you are interested in filling an opening. The Chapter will support Class Reps in mailing expenses. Classes that have graduated 60 or more years ago are Lifetime Members. A "*****" indicates the Decades Rep. Class Rep e-mail addresses are located on the USNAAA San Diego Chapter website.

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Luncheon Reservation RSVP: reservations@usnaaasd.com or 858-243-2142 NLT the Monday preceding the event. $20 Member with RSVP; $25 Non-Member or Member at the door
New Member/Renewal: $20 per year, $10 Active/Reserve O-3 and below

Luncheon/New Member/Renewal Form: Please make checks payable to: USNAAA San Diego, 14430 Callejon Musica San Diego, CA 92129

Full Name_____Class_____Phone_____Cell_____
NickName_____Rank_____Service_____Spouse_____
Email: Primary _____Alternate_____
Home Address_____City_____State____Zip_____

DATE/TIME	EVENT/SPEAKER	LOCATION/TOPIC	EVENT INFORMATION*
3 Nov/1230	Navy vs. Florida Atlantic	Football	No RSVP. 4 locations: Randy Jones All American Sports Grill (primary location), Fish Company, Chief's Burgers & Brew, & The PB Shore Club.
10 Nov/1230	Navy @ Troy	Football	No RSVP. 4 locations: Randy Jones All American Sports Grill (primary location), Fish Company, Chief's Burgers & Brew, & The PB Shore Club.
15 Nov/1130	CDR John Kochendorfer '94, LCS 4	Anchors, 2376 Recreation Way, Bldg 3210	$20 Member w RSVP. $25 Non-Member or Member at the door. 1130 Social; 1200 Lunch Buffet.
16 Nov/0700	NAVNET	Town and Country Hotel, Trellis Garden Grille, 500N Hotel Circle	For more information, contact Tom Hammons at tjhammons@aol.com. No charge for this event.
17 Nov/1230	Navy vs. Texas State	Football	No RSVP. 4 locations: Randy Jones All American Sports Grill (primary location), Fish Company, Chief's Burgers & Brew, & The PB Shore Club.
7 Dec/0900	24th Annual Army-Navy Golf Tournament	Admiral Baker Golf Course	$120.00 Per Player (includes cart, contests, barbeque, tournament and raffle prizes). RSVP Required, see website for add'l details.
8 Dec/1200	Navy vs. Army	Football	4 locations: Randy Jones All American Sports Grill (primary location, RSVP required), Fish Company, Chief's Burgers & Brew, & The PB Shore Club.

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