



The USNA Alumni Association San Diego Chapter Newsletter

Leaders To Serve The Nation

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President's Letter

Greetings!

I'm excited to take the helm as your new San Diego chapter president and I look forward to many great events and experiences in the coming months.

Summer is here (at least in San Diego) and June week will soon bring another crop of new young leaders to the Fleet and Corps. This month, please come out Friday, 30 May to meet the new plebes of the class of 2021. Share sea stories and offer words of encouragement to the newest members of the USNA family. Also, feel free to sponsor a plebe to a free dinner that evening to show our unity and support. I look forward to seeing you there.

Mark your calendars for SNA West this Summer July 13 on the waterfront and the commissioning of the USS RAFAEL PERALTA (DDG-115) at Naval Air Station North Island on July 29.

For you runners, the Rock 'n Roll marathon, half marathon & 5K are scheduled for the weekend of June 2-4. Check out the great alumni events that weekend surrounding the race including "Run to Honor."

Keep the information flowing and let's have a great year!

BEAT ARMY!!!
Craig

Upcoming Events

We still need some luncheon speakers, so please contact your board members with your ideas. Thank you.

Wed, May 17 @12:00 pm
 Chapter Luncheon at the Mission Valley Dave & Busters
 Speaker: Rear Admiral Mark Heinrich, USNA '79

Fri, May 19 @7:00 am
 April NAVNET at the Admiral Baker Clubhouse

Tue, May 30 @ 6:00 pm
 Blue & Gold Officer/USNA AASD Chapter Welcome Dinner @ Admiral Baker Dining Room "Meet the Plebes" Event. Donations to host a plebe are accepted.

Future Events

Sun, Jun 25 @1:40 pm
 U.S. Navy Day @ Petco Park

Sat, Jul 29 @ TBD
 DDG-115 Commissioning Ceremony @ NAS North Island,
<http://peraltacommissioning.org>

Friday, Aug 12 @ 12:00pm
 The 26th Annual RADM James G. Prout Memorial Golf Tournament will be held at Admiral Baker Golf Course on Friday, August 12. Proceeds will support college scholarships to local Surface Warrior dependents. Info: www.navysna.org

Navy Football Season 2018
 Navy v. Notre Dame @ Qualcomm Stadium (More detail to follow, but it's time to get excited now!)

**Run To Honor San Diego Rock'n'Roll
 Shin Dig & Race Weekend**
 June 2-4, 2017, San Diego

Before the Rock'n'Roll Race weekend, come join Run to Honor (RTH) for a drink and chow with your shipmates, honor the fallen, and a chance to meet others cheering or running with RTH. Please pass the word to all interested alumni.

When: Friday June 2, 2017, 6-9pm
 Where: Ballast Point Brewery
 2215 India Street

What: Street Tacos, drinks, and free RTH gear! (ZSIZES and styles limited.) Please [register here](#) - it's free!

Class Rep News and Gouge

What you may not know is that "regular members" is defined as both grads of USNA AND former mids that didn't graduate but their class has, and after they've applied for membership and been accepted they can be members of our chapter. Bet you've learned something new there, so get out there and tell your shipmates that may not know!!

Everyone receiving this newsletter likely already knows the difference between membership in the National Chapter (Alumni Association) and being a member of your local Chapter. This is a crucial

distinction that some of more recent classes aren't always aware of. Your local chapter works to provide you with camaraderie, connection, and utility during your stay in San Diego whether just for a PCS or for life.

Get the word out to all alums to stay connected and receive excellent member benefits with discounted pricing to our events. Life Membership in the National Chapter does not register an alum with our chapter. When you meet a Classmate or USNA Alum, give them the good gouge about our local Chapter and direct them to our website www.usnaaasd.com to sign-up.

Contact our Vice President for Membership, Thomas Bethmann at vpmembership@usnaaasd.com to fill a Class Rep vacancy or regarding application for local Chapter membership. "On the strength of one link in the cable, dependeth the might of the chain." Go Navy, Beat Army!

Membership:

Current Members – 956

Paid Members – 469

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

This year our chapter wants to increase not only our camaraderie and connectedness, but also our utility.

If you're 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. Together, we can build a network of contacts and information that will serve our chapter and serve our community well.

Bonds of Gold

USNA and the National Alumni Chapter has recently started a program called “Bonds of Gold” which allows members of the [Another Link in the Chain](#) class to donate class rings and miniatures to the midshipman class. These rings are then melted down and incorporated in the gold used to make the new rings for the midshipmen from that class, thus creating a "Bond of Gold".

The annual ceremony celebrates the donations of rings and miniatures from graduates, wives and mothers from the ALITC class.

See the photos from last year's ceremony:

[ALITC Class of 1968 with Class of 2018](#)

Alumni Mentoring Program (AMP)

The Alumni Mentoring Program (AMP) was established as the 50th Legacy Gift of the Class of 1969, to promote the USNA culture of Alumni helping Alumni to achieve “*the highest responsibilities of command, citizenship, and government.*” Alumni from all classes may participate as volunteer mentors, protégés or both. These mentors and protégés (over 1,757 as of October 2016), matched through an e-mentoring on-line platform, engage in meaningful, confidential discussions about career and life planning, goal setting and moving forward toward a higher level of achievement. [Ctrl + Click here to learn how to be a mentor!](#)

USNA Alumni Travel Program

Did you know that our alumni network conducted annual trips all over the world?! Take a look at some of the excursions available to you for 2017 and 2018!

[2017 Travel Catalog](#)

[2018 Travel Catalog](#)

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!**

Attention all San Diego Area Alums!!!

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.

Forgot your password? Email the Chapter Webmaster to receive a temporary one.

Find us on Social Media!



Last Call – Obituaries

[Alexander Sledge Jr. '55 \(May 26, 1933 - Apr 22, 2017\)](#)

[Horace Madison Leavitt Jr., USNA '53 \(d. Apr 25, 2017\)](#)

[Thomas Shine Jr., USNA '55 \(d. Mar 17, 2017\)](#)

[Robert Scott Brooks, USNA '83 \(May 7, 1961 – Apr 2017\)](#)

[Ralph Lynn Williams, USNA '64 \(Nov 04, 1940 - Apr 12, 2017\)](#)

[Luis Rodriguez, USNA '78 \(Oct 9, 1955 - Apr 10, 2017\)](#)

[Alban Thompson McIsaac, USNA '55 \(d. Apr 3, 2017\)](#)

[Charles Anthony Gangloff, USNA '51 \(d. April 2017\)](#)

[Willard Hall Walker III, USNA '48 \(Aug 15, 1925 – Mar 10, 2017\)](#)

[Bruce Arthur Grider, USNA '61 \(Mar 27, 1939 -Apr 2, 2017\)](#)

[John Eldon Paulk, USNA '53 \(Oct. 11, 1930--to Apr 18, 2017\)](#)

[Mrs. Betty \(Howard E. Cochran, USNA '46\) \(d. Apr 21, 2017\)](#)

[Mrs. Jane \(James Hocking, USNA '53\) \(Oct 25, 1930 - Apr 21, '17\)](#)

[Donald Paul Bowen, USNA '54 \(Nov 19, 1931 - Apr 23, 2017\)](#)

[Robert Fenton Nevin, USNA '57 \(Feb 8, 1936 - Mar 26, 2017\)](#)

[Carlos Augusto Hernandez, USNA '58 \(Sep 19, 1934 - Apr 21, 2017\)](#)

[Howard Eugene Lovely, USNA '55 \(Nov 6, 1932 - Mar 18, 2017 \)](#)

[Richard Clark Dutnell, USNA '55 \(Sep 12, 1932-Apr 17, 2017\)](#)

[Mrs. Esther \(Rip Miller - trustee emeritus\) \(d April 18, 2017\)](#)

[Mrs. Sally \(Edwin Rice, USNA '48\) \(Dec 10, 1927 - Apr 17, 2017\)](#)

[William Eugene Trueblood, USNA '53 \(Jan 16, 1930 - Mar 6, 2017\)](#)

[Franklin Scott Dobson, USNA '61 \(Apr 26, 1938 - Apr 11, 2017\)](#)

[Mrs. Avery \(Albert C. Jones, USNA '46\) \(d. Apr 6, 2017\)](#)

[Terran Ray Boyd, USNA '64 \(Nov 11, 1940 - Apr 13, 2017\)](#)

[Robert Bemus Baldwin, USNA '45 \(Apr 24, 1923 - Apr 7, 2017\)](#)

[Ralph Morris Sesler, USNA '54 \(Jun 21, 1929 - Apr 18, 2017\)](#)

[Mrs. Billie \(John R. Chappell, USNA '45\) \(Mar 23, '26 - Feb 13, '17\)](#)

[Mrs. Jean \(Bernard E. Smith Jr., USNA '47\) \(d. Mar 13th, 2017\)](#)

[William Paul Eddy III, USNA '52 \(Nov 22, 1930 - Apr 11, 2017\)](#)

[Mrs. Mae \(Howard G. Heininger Jr., USNA '47\) \(d. Mar 16, 2017\)](#)

[David Clifford Saur, USNA '58 \(Mar 28, 1934 - Apr 13, 2017\)](#)

[James Alton Bacon, USNA '51 \(d. Apr 16, 2017\)](#)

[Mrs. June \(Jacob C. Brown, USNA '52\) \(Jun 30, '32 - Apr 12, '17\)](#)

[Edward John Stock, USNA '44 \(d. Feb 26, 2017\)](#)

[Gene Coyle Fletcher, USNA '47 \(June 22, 1925 ~ April 6, 2017\)](#)

[Jacques Calvert Naviaux, USNA '59 \(Mar 22, '34 - Mar 26, '17\)](#)

[Mrs. Jean \(William Eaton, USNA '49\) \(Apr 30, '27 - Mar 10, '17\)](#)

[Frederick William Simmel Jr., USNA '56 \(Mar 3, '33 - Apr 9, '17\)](#)

[Deck Eugene Harrell, USNA '69 \(Jul 31, 1946 - Apr 3, 2017\)](#)

[Robert John Feely, USNA '52 \(Jul 14, 1926—Mar 30, 2017\)](#)

[Mrs. Margaret \(James E. Brown, USNA '44\) \(Oct 12, '20 – Apr 3, '17\)](#)

[Robert Snowden Haines, USNA '54 \(d. Apr 7, 2017\)](#)

[Lawrence William Reisch, USNA '50 \(Jun 13, '28 - Mar 20, '17\)](#)

Fair Winds and Following Seas to all our Shipmates, Marines, and Comrades

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.

* 1930's VACANT	1941 Rollo Rieve 760.704.1319	1942 Charlie Bishop 619.223.0492	1943 VACANT	1944 Jack Reynolds 858.673.8122	1945 VACANT
1946 VACANT	1947 Nick Nicholson 858.454.9624	* 1948 Chuck Gorder 619.546.4808	1949 Chuck Howe 619.437.4190	1950 Dean French 858.459.4360	1951 Paul Tuzo 858.695.3690
1952 Dick Dietz 619.435.4646	1953 James Rodgers 619.435.1021	1954 VACANT	1955 Ned Floyd 619.423.2870	* 1956 Carl Nelson 619.421.9094	1957 George Lanman 619.437.6095
* 1958 Chuck Smith 619.472.5858	1959 Jim Cartwright 619.435.9363	1960 John Schmidt 858.673.7169	1961 Jim Richardson, (619) 226-4978	* 1962 Greg Chauncey 858.551.7540	1963 Phillip Marsden 619.435.3318
1964 Bob Glennon 760.730.3608	1965 Dave Schlesinger 619.470.0542	1966 George Klein 619.221.0059	1967 Warren Millard 858.695.3342	1968 Randy Bogle 619.328.5728	1969 Mike McNeil 858.354.6565
1970 Tom Flaherty 858.740.5142	* 1971 Tom Hammons 858.538.9824	1972 Ed Nocon, (858) 484-7279	1973 Dave Kuhn 619.957.8371	1974 Bob Santos 619.476.7683	1975 Dave Frost 858.541.2604
1976 Phil Poirier 858.538.6708	1977 Mike Keeney 619.435.2642	1978 John Rogitz 619.561.5292	1979 Pat Garcia 619.307.9167	* 1980 Rich Carlquist 619.294.9727	1981 Tom Carlson 619.397.0909
1982 Craig Smith 619.623.5509	1983 Don Hinderliter 619.665.9078	1984 Bryan Caraveo 619.249.6043	1985 Kyle Freitas 760.522.7916	1986 Dan Gruta 619.806.1155	1987 Tad Northcott 703.819.2289
1988 John Ross 760.744.1762	1989 Paul Gallagher 760.492.4247	1990 Mike Bice (619) 947-3569	1991 Max Folkers 619.277.3688	1992 Brian Dozier 619.920.3178	1993 Arlen Aspenson 858.717.9998
1994 Jamieson Slough 760.716.1350	1995 Kevin Messer 858.663.1658	1996 Bob Willingham 619.889.9872	1997 Chris Benson 619.417.0620	* 1998 Gilda Reeves 858.220.1108	1999 Alan Baca 619.818.1024
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2006 Eric Handal (703) 795-4420	2007 Nate Myers (760) 505-8418	2008 Natalie Lamb 301.233.4138	2009 Chris Rowland 815.954.7305	* 2010 Michelle Webster 619.980.1651	2011 Will Cunha 901.336.6581
2012 Donald Bowers 713.876.0794	2013 Leslie Beatrice 571.212.1870	2014 David Matasic 484-356-5137	2015 VACANT	2016 VACANT	

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, 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 INFO
May 17 2017; 1200	Monthly Luncheon	Dave & Busters - 2931 Camino del Rio North San Diego, CA 92108	Contact: Craig Smith '82, president@usnaasd.com
May 19 2017; 0700	May NAVNET	Admiral Baker - 2400 Admiral Baker Rd <i>San Diego, CA 92120</i>	Tom Hammons '71 thammmons@aol.com