



# The USNA Alumni Association

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### President's Letter

Dear Fellow Alumni & Friends of USNA,

On July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1,247 members from the Class of 2014 took the Oath of Office as part of "I-Day" activities at USNA and officially kicked-off the 6 weeks of Plebe Summer. In the Class of 2014, there are 984 men and 263 women from 10 different countries. This past year there were 17,000 applicants for admission to USNA which equates to a 7% admission rate. It's very difficult indeed to get into USNA these days! Just thinking of the hot-humid summer weather in Annapolis makes me feel for the incoming Plebes!

In July, the Dept of the Navy released an Inspector General (IG) report on allegations that gift funds were misspent by USNA. In response VADM John R. Ryan '67, USN, Foundation Chairman, has formed a special committee to review policies for gift-funds provided to USNA. Corbin McNeill '62 has graciously agreed to chair the committee. Others who will assist include: Marty Evans; Joe Prueher '64; and John Welch '72. Jack Klimp '68, Alumni Association Trustee and Chair of the Joint Finance and Audit Committee will participate as well. VADM Ryan has asked the review group to strive to conclude its work and report its findings and recommendations to the Board of Directors of the Foundation by 5 November 2010.

RADM Michael C. Bachmann '74, Commander, Space and Naval Warfare Command, spoke about Navy C4I at our July luncheon. We wish you the very best on your Change of Command and Retirement on Aug 6<sup>th</sup>.

In August, we will have a field trip to the Commander, Naval Beach Group ONE (CNBG-1), located at the Naval Amphibious Base in Coronado, CA. CNBG-1 consists of 1700 personnel and four subordinate commands: Assault Craft Units ONE (ACU-1) and FIVE (ACU-5), Beach Master Unit ONE (BMU-1), and Amphibious Construction Battalion ONE (ACB-1). There are more details on our Web site and in this newsletter.

Reminder, USNA's Distinguished Graduate Award (DGA) for 2011 is kicking off with nominations due to ADM Ed Giambastiani '70, the chairman of the Distinguished Graduate Award Committee, on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010. The purpose of the DGA is to identify to the public and the Brigade of Midshipmen the broad national significance of USNA as one of the nation's premier institutions. We seek your nominations for our Chapter.

At Noon, on Sun, Aug 22<sup>nd</sup>, we will hold our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Link-in-the Chain picnic. See page 3 or our Web page!

### GO NAVY,

Dan Archer '80

### August Event – REMEMBER!!!

Our August Event is the tour of Naval Beach Group One on August 19, 2010. The tour will be conducted as with the times below:

0900-0930 Welcome/Command Brief (CNBG-1 Conference Room)  
0930-1030 Transfer all personnel from CNBG-1 bldg to Green Beach (Silver Strand)  
1030-1130 LCAC Landing/Static Display

1130-1230 LCU/LCM-8 Landing  
On August 19, 2010, the USNA SD Chapter is invited to observe a Beach

Group Integrated Training Exercise (BITE), in which various amphibious craft will be conducting timed beach landings. Craft will include a Landing Craft Air Cushion (LCAC), Landing Craft Utility (LCU) and Landing Craft Mechanized (LCM-8). The demonstration will take place at Green Beach in Coronado, CA.

You will receive an email with directions provided for CNMB One and other details for this tour this week. This will be a very well attended event. Email [secretary@usnaaasd.com](mailto:secretary@usnaaasd.com), to confirm your attendance.

### Sept Happy Hour, Come Join Us!!

Come out to Rockbottom Brewery in La Jolla. It is free, so be ready to share business cards, resumes, stories, and potential job opportunities, oh yes and share some libations and pupus!! See you there. Look for the date in the next Newsletter.

### 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](http://www.facebook.com)

For USNA Admissions information go to the Internet at [www.USNA.edu/Admissions](http://www.USNA.edu/Admissions) or contact the Blue and Gold Officer. Candidates can find their school's Blue and Gold Officer at [www.GoUSNA.net](http://www.GoUSNA.net) or contact Myron Fleming '62 at 619.692-4242. Email: [mtfleming@1962.usna.com](mailto:mtfleming@1962.usna.com)

and search for "USNA Alumni Association San Diego Chapter". If you do not have a facebook account a tutorial is on YouTube at: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OdQhZy1xoul>.

### 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.navalumnistore.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. We've just upgraded the embroidered logo so new orders will have the Coronado Bridge in Coronado blue. 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](mailto:corrsec@usnaasd.com).

### HS Students Interested In USNA:

Show your interest in the U.S. Naval Academy. Access our web site [www.USNA.edu/Admissions](http://www.USNA.edu/Admissions). In the "Steps to Admissions" pages click on "Contact Admissions" and fill in the information requested. This is a private data collection used to inform prospective applicants to USNA.

### Help Wanted: Class Reps For The Following Year Groups 1950, 1954, 1992, 1993, 1996, 2004 & 2008

Not many would argue that our affinity to USNA is primarily channeled through the bonds we formed with our classmates at Annapolis. The San Diego Chapter has built many of its successes as a result of the Chapter's unique Class Rep program that relies on the strong classmate bond. The Class Rep program has been around for many years and Chapter President Dan Archer considers it a pivotal tool to getting the word to classmates on Chapter events,

promoting class specific events, and supporting the Chapter's membership program. Equally important the Chapter Secretary relies on class rep feedback to make sure the Chapter database is up-to-date. There are several gaps to fill in our Class Rep program for the six decades of alumni spanning 1950 to 2009. We need volunteers to maintain the continuity required for a vibrant Chapter. Contact Rich Carlquist '80 619.917.6200 for the gouge on serving your Chapter and supporting your classmates.

### Last Call:

#### Capt William W. Jones USN '41

William W. "Bill" Jones, a longtime resident of La Jolla, died on Jul 12. He was appointed to USNA from Texas in 1937 with the Class of 1941. The Class of '41 graduated in Feb 1941. Capt Jones initial assignment was to the cruiser USS Helena (CL-50), commissioned only a few years earlier in 1939. On the morning of 7 Dec 1941, the Helena was in Pearl Harbor and was damaged in the Japanese attack. The Helena was active in the Pacific theater until she was sunk in 1943 at the Battle of Kula Gulf fought in "The Slot" in the Solomon Islands.

Capt Jones later qualified as a naval aviator and had a long and illustrious career. He commanded fighter squadrons, was CO of NAS Miramar and CO of the Naval Support Activity, Naples, Italy. He retired in 1971.

After retiring from the Navy, he earned a Masters degree from the UC Berkeley and pursued a second career in banking. He retired as a Trust Officer from San Diego Trust and Savings Bank. His final years were spent as a resident of White Sands of La Jolla, where he was affectionately known as "Captain".

Bill shared his life adventures with his beloved wife of 53 years, Mildred, who died on Jan 9, 2008.

They are survived by their three children, Louvette Aspiotis, Jeffrey Jones and Stephanie Jones.

#### Capt Robert J. Tartre USN '45

Robert J. Tartre died on Jul 3<sup>rd</sup> Bob, a second generation Navy Capt, was born in Bremerton, WA on Apr 23, 1923. He graduated from Lake Forest High School in Illinois. After attending Severn Preparatory School, he entered USNA in 1941 with the Class of 1945. The Class of 1945 graduated in June 1944.

He served in the Pacific Theatre during the final year of World War II as a Gunnery Officer on the USS Hornet (CV-12). kCapt Tartre had a distinguished naval career, including various roles on ships in Asia in the late 1940s, CO of a minesweeper, USS Fortify (MSO-446) and a destroyer, USS Wallace L. Lind (DD-703), Chief Engineer of the Essex class aircraft carrier USS Randolph (CV-15) while involved in the Cuban blockade in 1962, and as the Chief of the Naval Section of the US Military Assistance and Advisory Group (JUSMAGG) in Athens, Greece.

He retired from the Navy in San Diego in 1972. After his retirement from the Navy, he worked as a "port liaison" for tanker ships unloading oil at power stations in Southern California. He retired again in the early 1980s and traveling the world and was a passionate golfer.

He was predeceased by his life companion Josie and by his daughter, Pamela. He is survived by his daughters Lindsay and Lisa, son Paul, sister Joanne Herrin, brothers Donald and Richard, six grandchildren, six nephews, three nieces and many cousins. At his request, there will be no formal services.

### Membership

When celebrating your June Week or Commissioning Week anniversary: please reach out to Classmates that are non-members. Share what they miss unless they become Chapter members.

**Current Members – 951**

| DATE/TIME      | EVENT/SPEAKER                     | LOCATION/TOPIC   | CONTACT  |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| 19 Aug 0900    | Tour Naval Beach Group One        | Naval Beach Group One                                  | <a href="mailto:secretary@usnaasd.com">secretary@usnaasd.com</a>                 |
| 20 August 0700 | NAVNET Breakfast (Job Networking) | Trellises Garden Grille, Town & Country Mission Valley | Tom Hammons, <a href="mailto:tjhammons@aol.com">tjhammons@aol.com</a>            |
| 22 Aug 1200    | Link in the Chain Picnic          | Adm Baker's Picnic Area                                | Dan Gruta, <a href="mailto:danielgruta@yahoo.com">danielgruta@yahoo.com</a>      |
| TBD            | Happy Hour                        | Rockbottom Brewery, La Jolla                           | Betsy Garvin, <a href="mailto:betsygarvin@yahoo.com">betsygarvin@yahoo.com</a>   |
| 16 Sept 1130   | Monthly Luncheon Speaker: TBD     | Anchor Club – 32nd St. Topic: Naval Base Operations    | Alan Lerchbacker, <a href="mailto:alerchbacker@aol.com">alerchbacker@aol.com</a> |

# Link in the Chain Picnic

USNA Alumni San Diego

Join us at Admiral Baker Picnic Area  
For A Great Day Out!



We'll provide the burgers, dogs,  
chicken, sodas, water, you bring a  
dish to share!

**Sunday, August 22nd, Noon**

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[www.usnaasd.com](http://www.usnaasd.com)

or

Snail Mail to  
701 Kettner Blvd #28  
San Diego, CA 92101



**Luncheon Reservation Form** RSVP: secretary@usnaasd.com OR 619.384.1875. NLT Monday preceding the event

**Location: Anchors @ 32nd Street**

**Make Checks Payable to:**

**USNAAA San Diego**

**Time: 1130 Social**

**\$20 with RSVP**

**701 KETTNER BLVD UNIT 28**

**1200 Buffet Luncheon**

**\$25 at the Door**

**San Diego, Ca 92101**

**New Member/Renewal Form (Not Required If No Changes) \$20 per year, \$10 Active Duty O-3 and below**

**Full Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Class** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell** \_\_\_\_\_

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**CLASS REPS** are Listed below. Please call Rich Carlquist or email vpmembership@usnaasd.com if you are interested in filling an opening. The Chapter will support Class Reps in mailing expenses, etc. **1934-1950 are LIFETIME Members. \* Decades Rep**

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| 1934 <b>Larry Becht</b> 619.435.0785       | 1935 <b>Dave Nash</b> 619.435.8545          | 1937 <b>Bob Erly</b> 619.435.8919                | 1939 <b>Vivian Thomas</b> 858.581.8315       | 1940 <b>Cissi Bundy</b> 760.704.1294       |
| 1941 <b>Rollo Rieve</b> 760.704.1319       | 1942 <b>Charlie Bishop</b> 619.223.0492     | 1943 <b>Lee Scherer</b> 760.704.1171             | 1944 <b>Art Battson</b> 858.272.7407         | 1946 <b>Ed Ellis</b> 858.278.8665          |
| 1947 <b>Nick Nicholson</b><br>858.454.9624 | 1948 VACANT                                 | 1949 <b>Chuck Howe</b> 619.437.4190              | 1951 <b>Paul Tuzo</b> 858.695.3690           | 1950 VACANT                                |
| 1952 <b>Dick Dietz</b> 619.435.4646        | 1953 <b>Jim Rodgers</b> 619.435.1021        | 1954 VACANT                                      | 1955 <b>Ned Floyd</b> 619.423.2870           | 1956 <b>Carl Nelson</b> 619.421.9094       |
| 1957 <b>George Lanman</b><br>619.437.6095  | 1958 <b>Chuck Smith</b> 619.472.5858 *      | 1959 <b>Jim Cartwright</b> 619.435.9353          | 1960 <b>John Schmidt</b> 858.673.7169        | 1961 <b>Bill Kraus</b> 858.485.8333        |
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