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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Fellow Alumni & Friends of USNA,

What a great year 2008 was for the Naval Academy and what a great year 2009 promises to be. In the last days of 2008 I had the honor to attend two events with some tremendous people. The first was the Blue and Gold Holiday Reception held on board USS BOXER where I met many young people interested in going to the Academy and their proud parents. CAPT Mark Cedrun '84, CO of BOXER, and his great crew did a tremendous job welcoming everyone on board with tours, great food and drink, and a personal message about what it takes to be in the Navy and a Naval Academy graduate.

The other distinguished group was a smaller gathering at Tom Ham's with your chapter Board of Trustees. Throughout 2008 this exceptional group of men and women has given freely of their time and talent to make your alumni chapter the best in the country. I am honored to have the opportunity to serve with them. They have devoted many hours to the planning of the upcoming Dark Ages Black Tie Dinner and Dance on February 21st and it promises to be an evening of great food, great fun, and great camaraderie with alumni old and young. If you haven't signed up yet it is not too late and as a special incentive we'll have a drawing at the January monthly luncheon for a free night at the Bankers Hill Manor B&B courtesy of Linda and Terry Shoemaker '73.

I look forward to seeing all of you at one of our many events in the coming year.

GO NAVY,

Mike Mowins '79

January Luncheon: TBD

Our January 15th luncheon speaker at Tom Ham's on Harbor Island was scheduled to be LT Mike Taylor, '03. Due to operational commitments LT Taylor has postponed his appearance until March.

LT Taylor will share his experience as a Small Boat Squadron Commander in the brown water Navy Squadron

which conducted operations on the Tigris and Euphrates rivers in Iraq.

It promises to be an eye-opening presentation. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend!

Inaugural 100th Night / Dark Ages Black Tie Event - Saturday, February 21, 2009

SIGN UP TODAY!

Almost 100 people have RSVP'ed already! Help us make this a night to remember. The goal is to get as many classes as possible to fill at least one table (10 people).

Class Rep Challenge: The Classes of '63 and '80 are leading the charge with the most sign-ups to date.

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| 2. '80 | 4 |
| 3. '51 | 3 |
| 4. '56 | 3 |
| 5. '98 | 3 |

Help rally your classmates and fill a table. It's going to be a great evening of celebrating, reminiscing, networking and just enjoying your fellow shipmates. Proceeds from the event will support future Chapter activities and programs

The Manchester Grand Hyatt, one of the finest locations on the waterfront, will be a fitting venue for an exceptional evening for San Diego area alumni and friends with a tremendous keynote speaker, along with dinner and dancing to help us all get through the "Dark Ages."

The Hyatt has graciously extended their Military Room Rate of \$139/night to EVERYONE on the day of the event. That's \$100 off their current rate! Congratulations to Diana Edmondson '98 for winning the early bird raffle and a free room at the Hyatt on the night of the event!

SIGN UP by January 15th to win a free night at the Bankers Hill Manor B&B (www.bankershillmanor.com) courtesy of Linda & Terry Shoemaker '73.

Visit the Chapter's website (www.usnaaasd.com) for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Bryce Whiting '94 at 619-508-5679 or at bryce.whiting@hotmail.com.

For Juniors in High School interested in the Naval Academy:

The Naval Academy Summer Seminar (NASS) is an excellent opportunity to get a snapshot of the USNA experience. Go to www.USNA.edu/Admissions to

For USNA Admissions information go to the Internet at 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 or contact Myron Fleming '62 at 619.692-4242. Email: fngt@cox.net

check it out. Invitations to apply for NASS are also mailed to many Juniors. **From February 1 through March 31, Juniors can apply on-line in the Admissions pages.** Questions – contact Myron Fleming Myron Fleming '62, 619.692-4242, fhgt@cox.net.

Chapter Membership – Class Reps

A special thanks to the Class Representatives for your "link in the chain" role to make Chapter events successful.

As your winter schedules allow - please validate your class listings for changes to member email addresses and phone numbers. Accuracy is always important; but getting the gouge for our initial Black Tie event in February out to all members is imperative.

Should you have any membership issues or items - please advise.

Dave Frost @ 619.995.0040 or vpmembership@usnaasd.com.

Please check our chapter BLOG: <http://reefpoints.blogspot.com> for gouge.

Current Members - 1016

Last Call:

LTGEN Victor H. Krulak USMC (Ret) '34

Lt. Gen. Victor H. "Brute" Krulak, a decorated veteran of three wars, died of natural causes late Monday night in San Diego. He was 95 years old at the time of his death.

General Krulak, a native of Denver, received his appointment to the Naval Academy before finishing high school. Standing barely 5 feet 5 inches tall, he was jokingly nicknamed "Brute" at the Academy. The moniker stuck, reinforced by his direct, no-nonsense style. At graduation he was granted a waiver to the Marine Corps height requirement of 5 feet 6 inches.

Upon graduation from the Academy on May 31, 1934, he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps. His early Marine Corps service included: sea duty aboard USS Arizona (BB-39), then duty at the Naval Academy and with the 6th Marines in San Diego and the 4th Marines in China (1937-39). He completed the Junior School, Quantico, VA (1940) followed by an assignment with the 1st Marine Brigade, FMF, later the 1st Marine Division.

At the outbreak of World War II, he was a Captain serving as aide to the Commanding General, Amphibious Corps, Atlantic Fleet, General Holland M. Smith. He volunteered for parachute training and was then ordered to the Pacific Theater as Commander of the 2nd Parachute Battalion, 1st Marine Amphibious Corps. He went into action at Vella Lavella with the 2nd New Zealand Brigade.

In the fall of 1943, he earned the Navy Cross and the Purple Heart on Choiseul Island, where his battalion staged a week-long diversionary raid to cover the Bougainville invasion. "Assigned the task of diverting hostile attention from the movements of our main attack force en route to Empress Augusta Bay, Bougainville Island, Lieutenant Colonel Krulak landed at Choiseul and daringly directed the attack of his battalion against the Japanese." Later, he joined the newly formed 6th Marine Division and took part in the Okinawa campaign and the surrender of Japanese forces in the China area, earning the Legion of Merit with Combat "V" and the Bronze Star.

After the war, General Krulak returned to the United States and served as Assistant Director of the Senior School at Marine Corps Base Quantico, and, later, as Regimental Commander of the 5th Marines at Camp Pendleton. He was serving as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, when the Korean War erupted, and subsequently served in Korea as Chief of Staff, 1st Marine Division, earning a second Legion of Merit with Combat "V" and Air Medal.

From 1951 to 1955, General Krulak served at Headquarters Marine Corps as Secretary of the General Staff, then rejoined Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, as Chief of Staff. In July 1956, he was promoted to Brigadier General and designated Assistant Commander, 3rd Marine Division on Okinawa. From 1957 to 1959, he served as Director, Marine Corps Educational Center, Quantico. He was promoted to Major General in November 1959, and the following month assumed command of the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

General Krulak was presented a third Legion of Merit by General Maxwell D. Taylor, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, for exceptionally meritorious service from 1962 to 1964 as Special Assistant for Counter Insurgency Activities, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

On March 1, 1964, he was designated Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, and promoted to Lieutenant General. For the next four years, General Krulak was responsible for all Fleet Marine Force units in the Pacific. While commanding more than 100,000 Marines in the

Pacific from 1964 to 1968, he took part in a critical stage of the U.S. buildup of forces in Vietnam. LtGen Krulak retired on June 1, 1968, receiving a Navy Distinguished Service Medal for his performance during that period.

General Krulak's medals and decorations include: the Navy Cross, the Navy Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit with Combat "V" and two Gold Stars in lieu of second and third awards, the Bronze Star, the Air Medal, the Purple Heart, the Presidential Unit Citation with three bronze stars indicative of second through fourth awards, the China Service Medal with one bronze star, the American Defense Service Medal with Base clasp, the American Campaign Medal, the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with three bronze stars, the World War II Victory Medal, the Navy Occupation Service Medal with Asia clasp, the National Defense Service Medal with one bronze star, the Korean Service Medal with four bronze stars, the Vietnam Service Medal, the United Nations Service Medal, the Korean Order of Service Merit second class, the Republic of Vietnam National Order Medal third class, the Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Oak Leaf Cluster, two Korean Presidential Unit Citations, and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal.

General Krulak was a strategist throughout his career. In the years before World War II, he helped create the amphibious-war doctrine that the Marines used to defeat Japan in the Pacific. He championed the Higgins boat landing craft that was involved in every World War II amphibious assault, as well as the prototype for the Amtrack vehicle still used by Marines today. In the 1950s and 1960s, General Krulak formulated the counterinsurgency theory that would be tested in Vietnam. His "inkblot strategy" called for small groups of Marines to go into villages and work with like-minded locals to defend them against guerrilla forces – a plan resurrected with considerable success two years ago in Iraq.

"You'd be hard-pressed to name another Marine in modern times who has had as great an impact on the direction of the Marine Corps – or, for that matter, the country," said Gary Solis, a former Marine historian and now a law professor at Georgetown University. "From the late 1930s to the 1970s, Victor Krulak had his thumbprint on absolutely everything."

After leaving the military, General Krulak worked for Copley Newspapers, serving at various times

as Director of Editorial and News Policy and as News Media President of Copley News Service. He retired as Vice President of The Copley Press Inc. in 1977 and then contributed columns on international affairs and military matters for Copley News Service. He was also a published author. The following books were written by General Krulak:

- *First to Fight: View of the U.S. Marines.* Simon & Schuster. 1991. *Panama: An Assessment.* U.S. Strategic Institute. 1990. *Organization for National Security: A Study.* U.S. Strategic Institute. 1983. In 2004, LtGen Krulak was

the recipient of the U.S. Naval Academy Alumni Association's Distinguished Graduate award, which honors alumni who have "provided a lifetime of service to the nation or armed forces, have made significant and distinguished contributions to the nation via their public service and have demonstrated a strong interest in supporting the Navy or Marine Corps and the United States Naval Academy. These individuals are the embodiment

of the Naval Academy's mission to provide graduates who will be ready "...to assume the highest responsibilities of command, citizenship and government."

During his retirement, Gen. Krulak was active in many community organizations. His roles included serving as President and Trustee of the Zoological Society of San Diego. A longtime Point Loma resident, General Krulak was honored in 1968 as San Diego's "Citizen of the Year" by San Diego Uplifters, a group of 400 professional and business leaders.

General Krulak and his late wife, Amy, were known for their annual Fish House Punch parties held to celebrate General Krulak's Jan. 7 birthday. They started the tradition in the 1940s while living in Quantico, Va. The beverage included brandy, lime juice and apple brandy.

General Krulak is survived by three sons, the Reverend Victor "Vic" Krulak of San Diego and the Reverend William Krulak of

Baltimore and General Charles Krulak USMC (Ret), former Commandant of the Marine Corps; his four grandchildren; and his 10 great-grandchildren. All three of General Krulak's sons graduated from the Naval Academy and served in Vietnam: Charles and William as Marine infantry officers and Victor Jr. as a Navy Chaplain.

Services are scheduled for 2 p.m. Jan. 8 at the Miramar Marine Corps Air Station chapel. Private inurnment is scheduled for Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery.

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Membership Renewal Reminder

You can renew for multiple years by increasing the amount you remit in \$20 increments.

USNAAS SAN DIEGO CHAPTER CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

| DATE/TIME | EVENT/SPEAKER | LOCATION/TOPIC | CONTACT | Class Host |
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| 15 Jan 1130 | Monthly Luncheon TBD | Tom Ham's Harbor Island TBD | | |
| 16 Jan 0700 | NAVNET Breakfast (Job Networking) | Trellises Garden Grille, Town & Country Mission Valley | Tom Hammons tjhammons@aol.com | |
| 19 Feb 1130 | Monthly Luncheon CDR Wayne Gluf M.D., '82 | Tom Ham's Harbor Island Head Trauma / TBI | | |
| 20 Feb 0700 | NAVNET Breakfast (Job Networking) | Trellises Garden Grille, Town & Country Mission Valley | Tom Hammons tjhammons@aol.com | |
| 21 Feb 2009 | Dark Ages Black Tie Dinner and Dance | Manchester Grand Hyatt Downtown SD – Guest Speaker TBD | Bryce Whiting brycewhiting@hotmail.com 619-508-5679 | |
| 19 Mar 1130 | Monthly Luncheon LT Mike Taylor, '03 | Tom Ham's Harbor Island Small Boat Ops in Iraq | | |
| 20 Mar 0700 | NAVNET Breakfast (Job Networking) | Trellises Garden Grille, Town & Country Mission Valley | Tom Hammons tjhammons@aol.com | |



*The United States Naval Academy
Alumni Association - San Diego Chapter
Invites you to*

*The Inaugural Dark Ages
Black Tie Dinner and Dance*

February 21, 2009

6:00-11:00 PM

At the Manchester Grand Hyatt

Tickets: \$100 per person

Sign Up Today

- By Credit Card: From www.paypal.com, click on "Send Money" and send to treasurer@usnaaasd.com.*
- By Check: Mail checks to USNAAA San Diego Chapter, 462 Westview Dr, Chula Vista, CA, 91910.*

Visit www.usnaaasd.com for more information.



Luncheon Reservation Form

RSVP: Email: secretary@usnaaasd.com OR voice mail 858-279-USNA NO LATER THAN Monday preceding the event

Location: Tom Ham's Lighthouse

Make Checks Payable to:

USNAAA San Diego

Time: 1130 Social

\$20 with RSVP/\$25 at the Door

1200 Buffet Luncheon

Mail to

462 Westview Drive

1230 Presentation

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