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President's Letter

There were two great events in January. CDR Pat Thien '95, CO of USS Freedom LCS-1 offered a tour of the ship before it heads off on deployment. We hope to offer a tour of LCS-4 when she comes to San Diego later this year. CDR Matt Provencher '93 was our luncheon speaker. As the Director of Surgical Services on USNS Mercy, Dr Provencher shared with us

his experiences during Pacific Partnership 2012. Thanks to both Officers for great presentations.

As I mentioned last month, we are looking at options to switch our luncheon venue. Access to the facility, availability of parking, cost and quality of food are key factors for consideration. We are finding as much as 30% of our attendees are not sending in an RSVP in advance. At times this has caused us to scramble for extra tables. If our new venue offers a plated lunch instead of a buffet, we are going to have to do better with our head counts so the venue is prepared with enough seats and food. Most establishments only allow a 10% increase which means we could have some folks going hungry if they did not RSVP in advance. Please help us get a better head count by sending in your reservation through our webpage, by phone, email or snail mail. If you are having trouble signing up on our webpage, contact me at President@usnaaasd.com or Jeff Clough, our web master at gaclough@gmail.com.

Finally, the Dark Ages are nearly here. This is the year for our Black Tie event. We are trying to lock down the speaker and location with target dates of either April 6th or 13th. Keep your eyes open for more news about this event.

Barbet Lowndes '80
Go Navy! Go San Diego!

Upcoming Luncheons!!

February: Nico Marcolongo of Operation Rebound on the CAF Rebound program.

March: RADM Pat Brady '81, Commander, Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command.

Due to a number of requests by attendees and a recent menu change at Anchors, a search committee has been formed to find a new location for our monthly luncheons. The location must be: centrally located, have easy access

and parking, offer a decent meal at a reasonable price, and have a room where we can hear and see our speaker without distractions.

Blue and Gold Update

Nothing to report this month.

Class Representative News

Welcome Aboard to our newest Class Reps Dave Kuhn '73, Bryan Caraveo '84, and Moose Epaloose '95. Thank you for getting the word out to your Classmates last month regarding our Army-Navy Football Game signature event - we had over 210 in attendance with many Classes well represented! Congratulations to the Class of '71 for leading the charge and having 11 Alums attend plus their guests to watch yet another Navy victory. Note that an all Class Rep meeting is being planned for the March/April 2013 timeframe - will be sending out an e-mail to all Class Reps with the proposed date, location, and agenda.

Membership

Current Members – 922
Paid Members – 407

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: \$25/yr; \$15/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.

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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

CDR George W. WATSON, USN (RET) '44

Commander George William Watson USN (Ret) died on 25 January 2013 in Coronado, CA. He was born in Medford MA and earned a bachelor's degree from the Naval Academy and a master's degree from Stanford. He also attended the Armed Forces Staff College. He graduated from the Naval Academy in June 1943, one year early because of World War II and was selected for naval aviation. He spent the majority of his naval career as an aviator flying patrols in Alaska and the Northwest. His final assignment was Commanding Officer of the Naval Personnel Research and Training Activity in San Diego. He retired from the Navy in 1969 after 26 years of commissioned service. After

retiring from the Navy, George had a 15 year second career as a Research Analyst with the San Diego County Department of Probation. George was a lifelong gardener; he was an Epiphyllum enthusiast. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Jean, and daughters Carolyn Waterfall and Anne Stockdale. George was a devoted grandfather to Bailey and Claire Stockdale.

COL Harvey S. WALSETH USMC (Ret) '35

On December 10th, Colonel Harvey Walseth celebrated his 101st birthday with his family. On December 21st, after a brief illness, he passed away surrounded by his loving family. Harvey, better known to his family and friends as 'Wally', was born on December 10, 1911 in the farming community of Clear Lake, South Dakota. He was the oldest of four brothers born to Einer and Grace Walseth. After a year at South Dakota State College, he accepted an appointment to the United States Naval Academy graduating in the Class of 1935.

Wally served in Shanghai China with the 4th Marine Division Expeditionary Force sent there to protect the International Community from the Japanese. His next assignment was at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina where he prepared for the 1st Marine Division's invasion of Guadalcanal in August 1942. He was the commanding officer for the 1st Marine Division tank battalion on Guadalcanal. He then returned to Washington, D.C. to help design and build a new amphibious landing craft. In February, 1945 he helped direct the amphibious landing in the battle for Iwo Jima. After World War II, Wally commanded the Military Police Force on Okinawa and then reported for duty at in Quantico, Virginia.

When the Korean War broke out in the summer of 1950, Wally was involved with the monumental task of activating and training thousands of Marine reservists from across the country for combat in Korea. After helping to bring the Division to full strength, Wally shipped out to Korea to direct the invasion at Inchon as assistant Chief of Staff to General Oliver P. Smith. Later, he followed the Division north in the Chosin Reservoir campaign where Wally was wounded in action. He was awarded the Purple Heart and also the Legion of Merit for meritorious leadership of the Division's G-I section.

After returning from Korea, he assumed command of the 13th Marine Corps

Reserve District in Seattle, Washington. His final three assignments were at the Amphibious Training Center in Coronado, Comptroller of the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego, and Camp Pendleton, where he retired after 25 years of service.

Wally and his loving wife, Billie, who predeceased him in 2005, were married 64 years. It was during his return voyage from China that he met his future wife Eugenia 'Billie' Bulloch. Upon arrival in San Francisco, Wally went on to assignment in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and Billie went to Nogales, AZ to teach school. They were married a year and a half later, on June 14, 1941. Like many of the Greatest Generation, their love and loyalty endured years of multiple separations during wartime. Following their years of Marine Corps duty assignments, Wally and Billie settled in Rancho Sante Fe and La Jolla where Wally entered the banking business. Wally and Billie enjoyed sailing in San Diego Bay during their retirement years, and then moved to Santa Barbara in 1989 to be closer to their family.

Harvey is survived by his brother Curtis Walseth of Portland, Oregon, sons Harvey S. Walseth Jr. and wife Becky of Austin, Texas and Dr. George R. Walseth and wife Sue of Santa Barbara, six grandchildren, Monique Thompson, Tyler Walseth, Doug Walseth, Michael Walseth, Justin Walseth and Tara Walseth and, six greatgrandchildren. He was predeceased by two brothers Erling S. Walseth and Tracy S. Walseth.

A family memorial service was held December 27, 2012 at El Camino Memorial Park in San Diego, California with full military honors provided by the U.S. Marine Corps, San Diego. The Walseth family wishes to extend gratitude to Visiting Nurses and Hospice Care of Santa Barbara for their very professional and dedicated care. It was Wally's wish that any donations be made to <http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org>.

CAPT Albert S. Giorgis USN (Ret) '44

Al Giorgis of La Jolla, California, passed away on Monday, December 31, 2012, at the age of 91. He was born in Los Angeles, California, on October 25, 1921. He was preceded in death by his wife of 57 years, Louise Kimball Giorgis.

Upon his graduation from Los Angeles High School, he received an appointment to the United States Naval Academy, graduating with the class of 1944 which graduated in three years in June, 1943 due to WWII. At the Academy, Al excelled in academics, played varsity football, and was captain of the varsity lacrosse team. Al was an active USNA

alumnus throughout his life. He and Louise especially enjoyed attending Class of '44 reunions in Annapolis as well as Class events in Southern California.

When asked what he did prior to his retirement, he would reply, 'I served 31 years in the Navy.' Al served primarily as an Engineering Duty Officer supervising the building and repairing of ships and those years were professionally rewarding. They were also exciting years for Louise and the children as they had tours in numerous locations throughout the United States and Japan. Al retired as a Captain; his last assignment was Supervisor of Shipbuilding in San Diego. During his career he earned a Master's degree from Naval Post Graduate

School in addition to his Bachelors degree from USNA. His decorations included the Legion of Merit and the Meritorious Service medals.

After retiring from the Navy, he spent ten years at National Steel and Shipbuilding Company, where he was a Vice President. During his retirement years, Al taught drafting classes at Palomar Community College while taking woodworking classes. A man of precision and detail and an admirer of quality work, his beautiful furniture ultimately won prizes at the San Diego County Fair. Many of the pieces he drafted simply from looking at photos; he

was a talented craftsman.

He is survived by his three children; Cindy Giorgis of Honolulu, HI, Steve Giorgis (Stephanie) of Herndon, VA, and Marti McCready (Patrick) of Carlsbad, CA, seven grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. The entire family was together for Christmas and able to share a few days of love and laughter prior to his death. Al was the glue of the family; he led a full and wonderful life. He will be missed.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Al's favorite charity.

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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New Member/Renewal: \$25 per year, \$15 Active/Reserve O-3 and below

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DATE/TIME	EVENT/SPEAKER	LOCATION/TOPIC	EVENT INFORMATION*
15 Feb/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.
21 Feb/1130	Nico Marcolongo of Operation Rebound	Anchors, 2376 Recreation Way, Bldg 3210	\$20 Member w RSVP. \$25 Non-Member or Member at the door. 1130 Social; 1200 Lunch Buffet.
14Mar/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.
21Mar/1130	RADM Pat Brady '81	Anchors, 2376 Recreation Way, Bldg 3210	\$20 Member w RSVP. \$25 Non-Member or Member at the door. 1130 Social; 1200 Lunch Buffet.
18 Apr/1130	RADM Dixon Smith '83	Commander, Navy Region Southwest	\$20 Member w RSVP. \$25 Non-Member or Member at the door. 1130 Social; 1200 Lunch Buffet.
19Apr/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.
20May/1900	2 nd Annual "Take Me Out to the Ballgame"	Kona Cove #1 at Petco Park	Tickets available online. \$40 Chapter members (& their non-alumni guests) & \$45 for non-members. Includes admission, hotdogs, popcorn, soft drinks & water. Contact Richard "Quisty" Carlquist '80, @ rich@affluence.com or 619.917.6200.

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