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President's Letter

Navy Football is off to a good start. It promises to be a great season leading up to another victory over Army on Dec 10th. As a reminder, there are three

outstanding locations to watch Navy football in the company of cheering alumni. You can find us at Seau's in Mission Valley, The Shore Club in Pacific Beach, and The Fish Company in Coronado. Come up out and warm up for the big game.

If you missed the September luncheon, and many of you did, you missed another outstanding speaker. Mike Chiesl '02 is a former Marine, real estate services provider, and a recent contestant on the CBS show Survivor: Redemption Island. Mike began by telling us of his experiences serving two tours in Iraq and how that experience helped him through the trials and challenges of living as a survivor on an island off Nicaragua. He had humorous stories about the clothes that the contestants wore and the general conditions of living just above starvation. Mike said no matter how desperately hungry he was, he would not recommend eating hermit crabs, one of the most plentiful creatures on the island, but one of little flavor or sustenance. Mike made lasting connections with some of his fellow contestants, but said he truly appreciates the morals, values, and ethics that he shares with his fellow Academy alumni and Marines.

Over the last few months, we have received feedback from many of you who have had difficulty sending in reservations for our events through our website. It really is a simple process if you know a couple tricks. Hint #1: You need to log-in to be able to RSVP and receive the member discount rate. Hint #2: If you don't know your log-in ID, it is your email address where

you are probably receiving this newsletter. Enter your full email address. Hint #3: If you don't know your password, hit the link where it says "Forgot your password? Click here." You will be sent a new password. Hint #4: To RSVP, click on the name of the event such as our October luncheon. At the bottom of the page describing the event is a link to "Click here to buy tickets." You will have three options: to RSVP at the member rate, to RSVP at the non-member rate, or to RSVP and pay at the door. If you are bringing a guest, your guest pays at your rate.

So give it a try. Please RSVP for our next luncheon on October 20th, no later than Oct 14th by using our on-line RSVP system. You won't want to miss the October or the November luncheon. Steve Gilmore, '74, will be telling about his 10 year experience working with the Navy Seals as the COS. This promises to be an explosive talk. Then in November, talking about explosives, Mark Sanders, '89, will be speaking on the impact of the IED warfare in both Iraq and Afghanistan. He was a 20 year Special Operations Officer. He is a Master EOD Technician and a SWO. He will share his wealth of experience in the EOD world from the deck of an aircraft carrier to on site eradication of IED terrorists in both Iraq and Afghanistan. He has video and some fantastic slides. You do NOT want to miss these events!

Barbettes Lowndes '80
Go Navy! Go San Diego!

Board Vacancy

If you are interested in volunteering for an open board position, please contact Barbettes Lowndes or any of the Board members.

October Luncheon, Come Join Us!!

Our October Chapter Luncheon is scheduled for the 20th at Navy Anchors Club on 32nd Street.

Captain Steve Gilmore (Ret), '74, will be speaking about his 10 years of experience working with Navy SEAL's as the Chief of Staff of Naval Special Warfare Command. His presentation is expected to be very entertaining, informative, and exciting covering missions from all over the world.

The luncheon speaker for November is Mark Sanders '89. He will be speaking about the IED War in both Iraq and Afghanistan and Admiral Jim Beebe '75 will be addressing the latest news from Air Pac in January.

“A GAME OF HONOR”

“A Game of Honor,” which premieres in December on SHOWTIME, will take an unprecedented look at America's two oldest military academies—The United States Military Academy and The United States Naval Academy. As the midshipmen and cadets prepare to serve their country and participate in a rivalry unmatched by any other in sports—the Army-Navy football game—SHOWTIME will capture an all-access look at their unique season-long journey. Be sure to watch for more details.

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 and 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>.

If you do not have a Facebook account a tutorial is on YouTube at: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OdQhZy1xoul>.

The Facebook page is also linked to our Chapter Website.

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](http://www.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! If you have any questions call Chapter Corresponding Secretary Mike Mowins at (760) 602-0857 or corrsec@usnaaasd.com.

Class Rep News

We just filled several Class Rep positions within the Chapter and are eager to fill the gaps.

We still need volunteers for the following year groups: 1950, 1954, 1973, 1992, 1993, 2004, 2006, & 2008. This is a great way to support your Chapter and serve your classmates. Please contact Richard Carlquist USNA '80 at (619) 917-6200 with any questions.

Blue and Gold Update

Many alumni are interested in how they can help candidates for the Naval Academy or how they can help with our local USNA Admissions efforts. The best way is to volunteer to serve as a Blue and Gold Officer. Aside from that, tell interested students about your experiences in the Navy and at the

Naval Academy. Tell them about the advantages that have come your way as an alumnus. Encourage them that their grades and test scores can never be too high nor can they have too much demonstrated leadership experience. When they ask about specific Admissions procedures, please refer them to their BGO. If they don't know who their BGO is refer them to CAPT Mike McVay (USNA77), our USNA Information Program Area Coordinator. NEVER tell a candidate they are a sure thing for an appointment! If they appear to be a good athletic recruit tell them to visit the Navy Sports web site and sign up as a USNA student-athlete and contact the USNA coach for their sport.

<http://www.navysports.com/recruiting/navy-recruiting.html>

Membership**Current Members – 957****The Importance of Chapter Membership**

There is a lot of value as a result of maintaining a current membership in our 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 all club costs....that hasn't changed. The Chapter supports as many club 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.

It's cheap: \$20/year

It's easy to join: Go to

www.usnaaasd.com and click on the membership tab.

Call to Action to all San Diego Area Alumni!!!

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.

Last Call

**CAPTAIN HERBERT
H. RIES USN (Ret)
'43**



Captain Herbert Hamilton ("Ham") Ries died on 15 September 2011 at his home in Rancho Bernardo, California with his beloved wife of 70 years, Carolyn, at his side.

Born in Tiffin, Iowa in 1920 and raised in Iowa City, Ham attended the University of Iowa for a year and joined

Sigma Chi fraternity before entering the Naval Academy in 1939 as a member of the class of 1943. His class was accelerated because of World War II and graduated in June 1942 when he embarked on a long and successful career as a naval officer.

His commands at sea included many newly commissioned vessels including the guided missile frigate *USS Coontz* (DDG-40), later redesignated (DLG-9). When he commanded the *USS Springfield* (CLG-7), flagship of the sixth fleet in the Mediterranean, the cruiser was the only US ship allowed to retain its moorings in a French port (Villefranche) after Charles De Gaulle withdrew France from NATO. His final command at sea was as Commander, Destroyer Flotilla Five, based in Pearl Harbor. Among his personal awards he received the Legion of Merit.

After retirement, Ham realized a long delayed dream by becoming a pilot and flight instructor. He had been one of only three classmates at the Naval Academy who entered with a pilot's license. When not flying the blue skies of San Diego, he was on the golf course. He was the second chairman of the Rancho Bernardo Golf Club and was instrumental in the club's establishment as a

members-owned institution.

He is survived by his wife, the former Mary Carolyn Kuever, daughter of Dean R.A. Kuever and Ruth Kuever of Iowa City; his son, Dr. Stephen H. Ries, Captain USN (Ret.) of Virginia Beach, Virginia; his daughter, Gretchen Weir, of Ann Arbor, Michigan; four grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

DATE/TIME	EVENT/SPEAKER	LOCATION/TOPIC	CONTACT
15 Oct/1200	Navy vs. Rutgers	Seau's (top side), the Shore Club, & the Fish Company	
20 Oct/11:30	Luncheon/ Captain Steve Gilmore	Anchor Club – 32 nd St./ Working with Navy SEAL's	Secretary@usnaaasd.org
21 Oct/0700	NAVNET	Trellis Garden Grille	tjhammons@aol.com
22 Oct/1230	Navy vs. East Carolina	Seau's (top side), the Shore Club, & the Fish Company	

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** _____

NickName _____ **Rank** _____ **Service** _____ **Spouse** _____

Email: Primary _____ **Alt** _____

Home _____ **City** _____ **St** _____ **Zip** _____

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. **1934-1951 are LIFETIME Members. * Decades Rep**

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