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President's Letter

Greetings!

It was great seeing some new faces (and some old ones) at the First Thursday Networking Happy Hour at Cutwater Spirits. We had about 30 people there ranging from Class of '68 to Class of '06. We will keep these going all year.

Please keep an eye out for our other upcoming events – especially the ones where we need your help as a volunteer, and feel free to reach out to the POCs for each to get the latest info.

Your Board is hard at work to make our schedule entertaining and rewarding for everyone, and my goal is to be as transparent as possible on all of our events and meetings.

Please stay plugged in to our website and newsletter, and remember to spread the word about our events, bring a friend, and renew your membership!

BEAT ARMY!!!
Craig

Upcoming Events

Thu, Feb 01 @ 5:30PM – 7:30PM
 First Thurs Networking Happy Hour
 Cutwater Spirits
 9750 Distribution Ave

Fri, Feb 16 @ 7:00AM
 NAVNET at the Admiral Baker Clubhouse

Wed, Feb 21 @ 11:30AM – 1:00PM
 Chapter Luncheon (Dave & Buster's)
 Speaker: John Guandolo '89

Thurs, Feb 22 @ 08:30AM-12:30PM
 ASYMCA Neighborhood Exchange
 Food Bank – Volunteers needed
 POC: Craig Smith '82

Future Events

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Chapter Board Meeting
 Wood Ranch Grill (New Location)
 Mission Valley

Fri, Mar 23 @ TBD

Navy Crew Classic Spaghetti Dinner
 (Stay tuned for details.)

Sat-Sun, Mar 24-25

San Diego Crew Classic
 *Navy Crew Team Participating
 (Volunteers needed for booster tent.)
 POCs: Evan Ipema '15 and Dick Evert '68

Wed, Mar 28 @ 11:30AM – 1:00PM

Chapter Luncheon (Dave & Buster's)
 Speaker: Randy Bogle '68

Fri, Oct 26

Navy Notre Dame Alumni Luncheon
 MIDWAY (TBD)

Sat, Oct 27

Navy/Notre Dame Football Game
 San Diego

Class Rep News and Gouge

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 VP for Membership, Thomas Bethmann at vpmembership@usnaaasd.com to fill a Class Rep vacancy or regarding application for local Chapter membership.

Membership:

Current Members – 986
Paid Members – 416

Last Call/Obituaries**CAPT Herbert J. Dean, USN (Ret) '54**

Captain Herbert J. Dean died peacefully on January 12, 2018 in San Diego, California; he was 90 years old. Born 17 Oct 1927 in Lawrence, Massachusetts, he joined the Navy on his 17th birthday in 1944 during WWII. He was sent to the Pacific Theater as a radio operator where he served until after the liberation of the Philippines in 1946. Returning to duties stateside, he received an appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy. He entered the Academy in 1950 at age 23, with 6 years enlisted service.

The day after graduating in June 1954, Herb married his high school sweetheart, Mary Theresa Corey ("May"). The couple's first posting was to San Diego, California, where they would eventually retire. Herb's sea tours included Executive Officer of USS Jenkins (DD-447), and Commanding Officer of USS Forster (DER-334) and USS Dennis J. Buckley (DD-808). His shore tours included the Bureau of Naval Personnel, staff of the Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet, and Training Officer, Fleet Training Group, San Diego. Prior to his last assignment as Professor of Naval Science at the University of Utah, Herb served as Chief of Staff and Aide to Commander, Naval Surface Group Western Pacific and Commander Task Force 73.

His naval career spanned 38 years: 6 years enlisted service, 4 years at the Naval Academy, and 28 years as a Commissioned Officer. He received many medals including the Bronze Star with Valor and two Meritorious Service Medals.

Herb received a Master of Science degree in International Affairs from The George Washington University, and also graduated from the College of Command and Staff and the College of Naval Warfare of the Naval War College, Newport, RI.

After retiring from the Navy, Herb was an active volunteer with May at Our Lady of Grace parish which they attended for over 40 years. Herb's beloved wife preceded him in death on October 18, 2015. He is survived by his son Herb, Jr., his daughter Mary and six grandchildren (Joseph, Tyler,

and Nicholas Dean and Corey, Mary and Katherine Hall).

CDR Charles F. GORDER Sr. , JAGC, USN (Ret) '48

Long-time San Diego resident Charles Franklin Gorder, Sr., passed away at age 92 on November 19, 2017. Known to all by his nickname "Chuck" he was a dedicated family man, a faithful Christian, a proud Navy veteran, philanthropist, and a practicing lawyer for over 50 years.

Chuck was born in Aberdeen, South Dakota in 1925. He graduated from high school in Oakes, North Dakota and attended North Dakota State University for one year before entering the US Naval Academy in June 1944 with the Class of 1948. He graduated in 1947 after only three years at USNA. While at USNA, Chuck lettered in varsity football.

Following graduation, Chuck was assigned to USS SPRINGFIELD (CL-66), deployed to the Western Pacific. He later taught at the Naval Academy Prep School in Newport, Rhode Island, where he met Ensign Bonnie Brunner of Nora Springs, Iowa. Chuck and Bonnie were married in 1951, shortly before Chuck left for the Korean War. Chuck served in the Korean theater for one year.

After the Korean War, Chuck was ordered to George Washington University Law School, graduating in 1956. As a JAG officer, Chuck was assigned to legal duties at a series of naval bases and at the Pentagon, moving twice to Norfolk, Virginia, twice to San Diego, as well as to Groton, Connecticut.

Chuck retired from the Navy in 1967 as a Commander. He moved permanently to San Diego that year, where he joined the law firm of Higgs, Jennings, Fletcher, & Mack, and began a second career as a lawyer in private practice. He spent most of that career as a partner in the firm of Jennings, Engstrand, & Henrikson, and specialized in counseling small business clients in their various needs and handling wills, trusts and estates for his clients. He did not stop practicing law full time until he was well into his 80s.

Chuck's first wife, Bonnie died in 1995. In 1997, he married Rhona McNally of San Diego. The couple recently celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary. Chuck and Rhona enjoyed travelling to visit family and friends at home and abroad, and they loved to cruise. They stayed actively involved with the US Naval Academy Class of '48, and attended many Naval Academy class reunions and events. They were also active in numerous charitable and church activities in San Diego, including membership in the Downtown Lions Club, the Econ Ed Foundation, of which Chuck was a founding director, the First Methodist Church, the Fusenot Foundation, the Sons of Norway and the Moores Cancer Center at UCSD where they were active in raising money for cancer research. Chuck served on the Board of Directors of the Moores Center for over 22 years. Chuck and Rhona were San Diego Padre season ticket holders. Chuck was a loyal Padres fan for more than 50 years.

Chuck is survived by his second wife Rhona and her family, his daughter Janet Gorder Dabbert, sons Charles and Matthew Gorder, daughters-in law Carol Griest, Vicki Gorder, and Anita Kramer, son-in-law Jack Dabbert seven grandsons and granddaughters. He was predeceased in death by his first wife Bonnie and his son Bruce who died in 1992 from melanoma.

Services were held January 5, 2018 at the First United Methodist Church of San Diego. In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions to the Bruce Brunner Gorder Memorial Fund for Melanoma, Moores Cancer Center Development, [9500 Gilman Drive #0937, La Jolla, California 92093](https://www.gilman.org/donate/92093). Chuck, Bonnie, Vicki and Rhona started the annual "5K Bruce Gorder Walk for a Cure," first in Massachusetts, and later here in San Diego. To date, over \$1.92 million has been raised by the walk for melanoma research at UCSD.

Please visit the USNA Alumni website for obituary information.

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Luncheon Reservation RSVP: reservations@usnaaasd.com or (619) 623-5509 NLT Tuesday before 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

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*Please visit <http://www.usnaaasd.com/events.html> for additional event information and RSVP.

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