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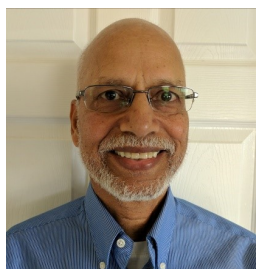
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President's Message



Hello everyone, I hope you all had a very enjoyable summer, which was barely warmer than normal. In this pandemic, we are finally able to take advantage of many of the public and commercial facilities that are currently open, of course, following the safety precautions of face masks and social distancing.

In August we had a very successful mid-month lunch meeting at the Bard. The highlight of the meeting was the celebration of the 231st anniversary of the founding of the United States Coast Guard and honoring of the Coast Guard Sailor of the Year, BM1 Samuel Magri. In addition to Navy League members, the luncheon was attended by United States Coast Guard members from units at Point Mugu and Channel Islands Station. During the August meeting, we also had a successful fundraiser wine auction, conducted by Annette and Stan Block.

Congratulations to Channel Islands Council, Navy Leaguers of the Year 2020: Robert Bravo and Rebecca Cramer. Arlene Fraser, past president made the presentation on August 12, 2021 at the Bard Mansion.



Due to some family obligations, I had to be away from Port Hueneme during the months of September and October. During my absence our Council's 2nd Vice President, Tony Suleiman conducted the monthly lunch meetings and the Board meetings. My thanks to Tony for taking over my duties during the absence. On September 9th, we had a successful Fall Baby Shower and a presentation from Grennier Law on "Wills and Trusts" arranged by Tony.

Going forward we can look to the US Navy Birthday and Sailor of the Year awards on October 14th and US Marine Corps Birthday and Marine of the Year award at the November 18th lunch. Our Holiday Luncheon celebration will be on December 12th at Las Posas Country Club. Invitation enclosed in this newsletter.

I hope to see you on November 18th for our lunch at the Bard. Until then, enjoy cool fall weather and a Happy Halloween and a Happy Thanksgiving!

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United States Coast Guard Birthday Celebration and Sailor of the Year at the Thomas Bard Mansion August 12, 2021



Photo 1: Standing in the center, **Sailor of the year, BM1 Samuel Magri, USCG Channel Islands Station**, Oxnard, California, received certificate from Stan Block, USCG Council Liaison; and Purna Pai, Council President. Magri also received a check and a challenge coin from NLUS Channel Islands Council. Photo 2: SOY Magri received Certificate from Brian Miller, representing County Supervisor Kelly Long.



Presenters in photo 3 assisted with awards received from cities of Camarillo, Ventura, Moorpark, Oxnard, California State Assembly



Member Jacqui Irwin, Congress member Julia Brownley and from the Oxnard Harbor District Commissioners. Kitty Hurliman made a special tote bag for USCG SOY Magri to hold all of his award certificates.

**Congratulations to
Sailor of the Year
BM1 Magri**



Special guests included USCG Point Mugu and USCG Channel Islands Station in attendance to celebrate the 231st birthday at the Bard Mansion with Channel Islands Council members and guests.



Thanks to Debora Ehrich for photos taken at the Bard Mansion for August and September luncheons!

Fall Baby Shower for Navy/Marine Corps Relief Society

at the Thomas Bard Mansion September 9, 2021



Fall baby shower and luncheon for NMCRS, Navy –Marine Corps Relief Society County and Family Service programs was held on Thursday, September 9, 2021 with generous donations for baby and toddler clothing, baby items and diapers received from Navy League members and guests. Kitty Hurliman, is our Council’s liaison for NMCRS and also, “Miss Piggy”, our fundraising bank circulates during our luncheons. Thanks for your continuing support!

Photo above: Sonya Akintonde, NMCRS Director and Lorraine Shallenberger, Budget for Baby Lead, received certificates from Kitty Hurliman, NLUS Council Liaison for NMCRS. Photo right: Sonya Akintonde, center;



Tony Suleiman, VP Programs, conducted the meeting and also provided speakers to talk about Wills and Trusts.

presented certificate to Kitty Hurliman and Arlene Fraser and she thanked all members and friends for their generous support to NMCRS for Baby Shower donations. Families and children appreciate all the Navy League gifts during the year.

Thank you to ALL!



Front row: Kitty Hurliman, Barbara Volante, Lorraine Shallenberger, Sonya Akintonde, Lisa Guillen, back row: Leslie Smith, Bob Quinn and Tony Suleiman with baby items for NMCRS. Thank you for donations!

NOMINATION COMMITTEE Forming

We will elect three general members and an alternate on October 14, 2021, to serve on the Nomination Committee. Board members elected to serve on the committee: Jim Cecile, Bette Alburtis, Annette Block, and Kitty Hurliman alternate. Arlene Fraser, Chairman. Nomination Committee will propose 2022 slate for election on November 18, 2021.

Happy Fall to one and all!



As the leaves and the weather start to turn, it's time to get ready for two Navy League fundraising events.

First on the calendar is our **Yolanda's fundraiser on Tuesday, October 26** from 11:00 am to 9:00 pm, 1601 S. Victoria Avenue, Oxnard. Yolanda's will donate 20% to support Navy League's Annual Military and Youth Awards. This event is open to the public – please invite all friends, family and neighbors. Take out is available and the paper flyer must be presented when ordering. Look inside this newsletter for the flyer.

Second is our annual **Holiday Luncheon and Wine Auction** to be held at the beautiful Las Posas Country Club, 955 Fairway Drive, Camarillo from 11:30 to 2:30 on **Sunday,**

December 12, 2021. The cost is \$45 per person which includes a salad, main course, coffee, tea and dessert. There is a no host bar available. This event is also open to all, so please invite your family and friends for this fun-filled afternoon. All Navy League members in attendance are requested to bring a wrapped \$25 gift for our door prize event. Many lovely wines and spirits will be offered for auction and door prizes, donated by Meridith May of the Tasting Panel and Somm Journal magazines. The flyer for the Holiday Luncheon is included in this newsletter.

For additional information or digital copies of the flyers, please contact Annette Block at 818 300 5840 or at NetskieB@gmail.com



2021 Sponsors for Military and Youth Awards

Thank you to Sponsors for 2021: Oxnard Harbor District, CBCFCU, MOAA VC Chapter, Capt. Steve & Lcdr Eileen Huber, Annette & Stan Block, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Lauber, and Arlene & Tom Fraser.

Please let me know if you are interested to sponsor next year's awards. Contact me at 805 485-3995 or 805 276-8474. Thanks for your support!

Bob Quinn, Military & Youth Awards Chairman



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Lunch at the Bard Mansion

Wills and Trust Presented on Sept. 9, 2021

Tony Suleiman, 2nd VP Programs NLUS Channel Islands, presented certificates of appreciation to Christine Grennier and to Todd Mannis, Attorney from Grennier Law. They provided information about Wills and Trusts and answered questions at the luncheon. Thank you to Christine and Todd for sharing very important information. If you or your family would like information about Wills and Trust or other legal matters, Tony Suleiman highly recommends contacting Christine Grennier, if you need an attorney. If you already have completed your wills or trusts, update your legal matters with your personal attorney. Stay safe and be prepared.

Grennier Law, PC Mission Statement on their website:

Our goal is to make the process of preparing your will, trust and necessary supporting documents as painless and straight-forward as possible. We offer a reasonable flat-fee billing structure and quick turnaround time. Our consultations are always free! Please call us today so we may assess your estate plan and provide you and your loved ones with the peace of mind you deserve!
Contact 805 643-3900.



September 9, 2021, **Door Prize Winners with winning smiles:** Madeleine Frymer, Bette Alburtis, Steven Shannon and Bob Quinn. Thanks to Annette Block, 3rd VP Fundraising for creating the beautiful gift baskets!



WANTED: BASKETS

Please bring your empty door prize baskets to the Bard Mansion and return to Annette Block. She will recycle and prepare new door prizes. Thanks for your support and participation!



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With Deepest Sympathy to Isabel D. McCarthy's Family

On Saturday, September 25, 2021, Isabel passed away peacefully at her daughter's home in Camarillo at the age of 96 years. Her Mass will be held on Thursday, October 14, 2021 at 10:00 am to 11:00 am at Santa Clara Catholic Church, 323 South E. Street, Oxnard, CA 93030; lunch will be at the Oxnard Elk's Lodge, 801 South A Street Oxnard, CA 93030.

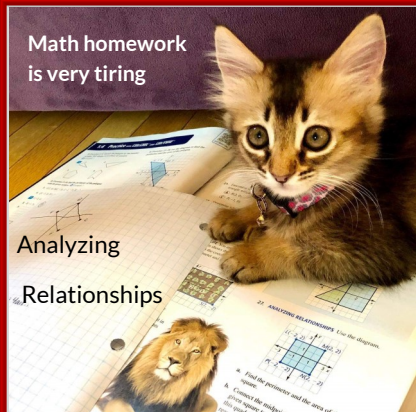


We will miss Isabel and appreciate her 30+ years as an active and dedicated Navy League member. She served on the Board of Directors for many years and assisted with fundraising events, special holiday events, and her love and joy was supporting all the Baby Showers for Navy/Marine Corps Society and Family Services.



Isabel McCarthy was recognized in 2019 for her 30 year membership with Navy League

Our sincere thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends during this time. May happy and wonderful memories of Isabel, touch our hearts with God's love and comfort.



Reminder: Time change November 7, 2021





MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

SELECT YOUR MEMBERSHIP TYPE

- ☐ \$55 Regular 1-year
- ☐ \$100 Regular 2-year
- ☐ \$130 Regular 3-year
- ☐ \$180 Regular 4-year
- ☐ \$225 Regular 5-year
- ☐ \$1,000 Life Membership (up to age 55)
- ☐ \$750 Life Membership (ages 56-75)
- ☐ \$500 Life Membership (ages 76+)
- ☐ \$25 Electronic 1-year

☐ \$0 **NEW Active-Duty Military Spouse - Electronic 1-year**
By selecting this option, I am signifying that my spouse is currently active-duty in the U.S. Navy, U.S. Marine Corps or U.S. Coast Guard.

☐ **Optional Gift Membership**
Give the gift of membership. Enter the member's name under member information and the payee under method of payment.

☐ **Optional Donation \$_____**
The Navy League is a 501(c)(3) organization. Donations made to the Navy League are tax-deductible and support programs like the U.S. Naval Sea Cadets, youth scholarships and sea services awards. Learn more at: www.navyleague.org/programs.

**All regular and life memberships include a print subscription to Seapower magazine. E-membership includes an electronic subscription.*

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*Name: _____

*Address Line 1 _____

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*ZIP/Postal Code _____ Country _____

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☐ Check enclosed payable to NLUS

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☐ Visa ☐ Mastercard
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**Required Fields*

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 <https://www.navyleaguecica.com/>

 **Questions? Call Cynthia Janacek VP Membership**
805-889-3418

 **Mail Application to:**
Navy League Channel Islands Council
PO Box 873
Port Hueneme CA 93044

By joining the Navy League of the United States you are also selecting membership in a local council or to be a region member at-large. The Navy League will share your contact information with leadership from the council, region and area of which you are a member. **To opt out indicate below.**

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Fraser, Judy Quinn and

Jim Daniels, Honorary Director

Special reminder: Contact Judy Quinn, at 805 485-3995 and let her know of any ill or bereaved member. She will get a card in the mail immediately. Please keep her informed, as each and every one of our Navy Leaguers are very important to us.



Returning to Bard Mansion

Security Access Requirements to NBVC Port Hueneme

Security Forms for 2021 are required to be completed in advance to process for Security Pass Listing /Gate list for visitors, similar to previous years.

NBVC Security Pass office prepares a NL Security List for entry to the Base on dates NL will have a luncheon at the Bard Mansion. If you completed a Form and have been approved, your name is on the Security list. If you have any questions or concerns, contact Arlene Fraser at 805 377-0468. Thanks for your cooperation.

RSVP October Contact

Bette Alburtis at 1 805 479-3133

Please leave a message and let her know if you are on the gate list or if you will need a ride from the Museum parking to the Bard Mansion. Thanks!

Event Date: Thursday, October 14, 2021

2021 CALENDAR

THURSDAY LUNCHEON AT THE BARD MANSION TIME: 11:30 AM

OCTOBER 14, 2021 US NAVY BIRTHDAY & SAILORS OF THE YEAR

**NOVEMBER 18, 2021 USMC LUNCHEON & MARINE OF THE YEAR;
TOYS FOR TOTS**

Happy
Holidays!