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## JUNE LUNCHEON SOCIAL



### JOINT LUNCHEON SOCIAL WITH EVERGLADES COUNCIL

Guest speaker: Bill Vasquez  
Commander, Pelican Harbor Base  
United States Submarine Veterans Inc.

THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2013 11:30 AM

CORAL RIDGE COUNTRY CLUB  
3801 Bayview Drive, Fort Lauderdale 33308

\$24 per person – includes valet parking  
Self-parking is also available

Menu: Salad or Tomato Bisque soup  
Tri-platter includes chicken salad,  
tuna salad and egg salad  
Peppermint ice cream  
Coffee/Tea

Please RSVP before June 15  
email [bcnavyleague@yahoo.com](mailto:bcnavyleague@yahoo.com) or  
call Joan at 561-336-3610

## FLEET WEEK

Council President Shelley Beck was very busy during Fleet Week; in addition to attending many of the events, Shelley also served as a volunteer!

Shown here with Brigadier General Rickey L. Waddell, US Army, Southern Command at the Military Employer Support Recognition Breakfast



Below Shelley poses with John Offerdahl and Paula DaSilva, two of the judges at the Galley Wars competition



## *PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE*

I am astounded and deeply saddened by the images of the devastating tornado in Oklahoma, and my heart is with the families of the affected areas. My thoughts and prayers go to the Navy League of the United States members, who have been directly or indirectly impacted by this tragedy.

During Fleet Week, I had the pleasure of attending the Military Employer Support Recognition Breakfast / Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve. ESGR is a Department of Defense agency established in 1972 to gain and maintain active support from all public and private employers for the men and women of the National Guard and Reserve. How does this relate to our military? ESGR provides military leave absence forms, sample letters and tips to help them avoid employment challenges should they get called up to serve and have to leave their employment.

This breakfast is a way to applaud employers who practice personnel policies that support employee participation in the National Guard and Reserve. Here locally, to name a few, the following employers were awarded and recognized:

A Superior Towing  
Broward County School Board  
Sam's Club  
Seminole Police Department  
WalMart Vision Center  
Citrix Systems

For our June social, we are jointly coming together with our friends of the Everglades Council Navy League and sponsoring a luncheon at the Coral Ridge Country Club on June 20. Look forward to seeing everyone.

Hope that each of you had an opportunity to celebrate and honor all those who sacrificed their lives for our freedom on Memorial Day.

*Shelley*



## *GUEST SPEAKER*



Bill Vasquez is the Commander of the Pelican Harbor Base of the United States Submarine Veterans, Inc. The Pelican Harbor Base meets every 3rd Saturday of the month at the VFW Post 1966, 350 SW 25<sup>th</sup> Street,

Fort Lauderdale. The base is named after Pelican Harbor, located in North Bay Village, Florida. It contains an artwork dedicated to Cold War Submariners consisting of twenty-two sail planes mounted vertically and resembling a school of steel sharks. The membership ranges from WWII submarine veterans to younger members who were discharged from the service as recently as 2011. There are also members who served during the Korean Crisis, the Vietnam War, and the Cold War. Bill served from 1962 to 1970 and was involved in the Cuban Crisis and the Dominican Republic Crisis in addition to completing six deterrent Cold War patrols during that time.

Bill earned a BS in Management from Nova Southeastern University as well as an MBA in International Business and a Doctorate in Business Administration.

In 2001, Bill retired from his position as a Vice President with Citibank International after more than 25 years of working in international operations. Since retiring from Citibank, he works part-time as an adjunct professor for Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

Bill lives in Coral Springs. When not working, he enjoys serving his church, creating model train layouts, studying submarine history and technology, and chairing an advisory committee for the Broward County School District.

## *HELP WANTED*

Teresa Perez, the Council's secretary, will be deploying to Djibouti Africa in September.

We are looking for a member who would be willing to take on the responsibilities of the secretary for the remainder of the year. The main task is to take the minutes at the monthly board meetings, which are held at 6:30 PM at the Port Everglades Administration Building on the first Monday of the month. The secretary types the minutes, prepares the agenda and shares them with the other Board members via email prior to the next month's meeting. Most Board members prepare their own documents but, occasionally the secretary may be asked to type a document or prepare a certificate of recognition. They also might be called upon to assist at Council events (i.e. check-in at dinner socials).

If you are willing to donate a few hours a month to the Council, please contact Council President Shelley Beck via the Council's email ([bcnavyleague@yahoo.com](mailto:bcnavyleague@yahoo.com)).

# FLEET WEEK

Fleet Week had a different look this year – missing were the large military vessels in Port Everglades and the hundreds of sailors in white uniforms. But for anyone who attended the events, there was the same feeling of pride and appreciation for the men and women of the military. Many of the same events were held as in previous years such as the golf classic, Salute to Veterans, take a hero fishing, military employer support recognition breakfast, and galley wars; this year the more than 5,000 local military serving at Southern Command, Coast Guard District Seven, NOSC Miami and West Palm Beach and local recruiting stations participated in the week-long events. Bravo zulu to Broward Navy Days for moving forward with Fleet Week and to the many sponsors and volunteers who made it such a successful week.

## Salute to Veterans sponsored by the Marrinson Group was held on Thursday May 2 at Independence Hall in Wilton Manors



## The Military Employer Support Recognition Breakfast was held on Friday, May 3 at Hyatt Pier 66. The event recognized local employers who support their employees who serve in the Reserves and National Guard.



Council Member Chief Janette Chandler, USN Ret., Family Readiness Support Assistant for the 821st Engineer Battalion, US Army Reserve, received the Seven Seals Award. She is shown with her husband and Mary Anne Gray of Broward Navy Days.



Board member Bob Marks (left) and Everglades Council President Tom Melville enjoyed the recognition breakfast along with reservists from NOSC Miami (photo below).



# FLEET WEEK

Galley Wars was held on Friday, May 4, at Hugh's Culinary. This team culinary competition is always a very popular (and tasty) event.

Council members (left to right) Dottie Kirk, George Reeves and Rosa Reeves enjoyed the evening.



Bob and Kay Giacin were also on hand to enjoy the fun and good food!



The Legion of Honor Medal Ceremony and Presentation of USNA Class of 2017 was held at Broward Center for the Performing Arts on Sunday, May 5. Ten heroes of WWII were honored with France's highest military award and the future generation of naval officers were introduced. The Consulate General of France in Miami presented the medals to the veterans. Captain Dennis Neutze, Blue and Gold Program Area Coordinator introduced the USNA appointments.



## OUR COMMUNITY SALUTES

On May 18, "Our Community Salutes" of Miami-Dade held their high school enlistee recognition ceremony at Miami Beach Senior High School. This was the second annual event to recognize and honor military-bound Miami-Dade high school seniors. The event recognized more than 100 inductees and was hosted and arranged by council member Raul Mas. The keynote speakers were Miami-Dade Superintendent of Schools Alberto Carvalho; Vice Admiral Joseph D. Kernan, US Navy Deputy Commander, Southern Command; and Brigadier General (Retired) Hector E. Pagan, US Army.

"Our Community Salutes" held their recognition ceremony in Fort Lauderdale on May 3.



Council member Raul Mas is at far left in above photo



Inductees at Miami event

Right and below: Inductees at the Fort Lauderdale event



## OUTSTANDING STUDENT

James Lee, 17, a student at Cardinal Gibbons High School has been collecting DVDs and CDs and sending full boxes once every few weeks to the USS Leyte Gulf and also to the Marines in Afghanistan. James collects used and new DVDs from both students and various local companies and individuals. He pays for the shipping at his own expense and purchases candy and other goodies and fills the corners and all other areas of the boxes. He started this project as a freshman and dedicated it to his grandfather Jay Porges, a long time member of the Navy League; he has recently added the name of Mark Stein. James has received thank you letters, commendations, from the Captain and various Naval officials in Washington, DC. His school administrator is nominating him for the Silver Knight Award which recognizes outstanding students who contribute significant service to their school and the community.

## MEMORIAL DAY

Board member LCDR Alan Starr and the Spruance Division Sea Cadets participated in the Memorial Day remembrance at Sunrise Civic Center.



## SAILOR OF YEAR BALL

Fort Lauderdale Council will be hosting the Sailor of the Year / Enlisted Person of the Year Ball on Friday, June 14 beginning at 6 PM.

The event will be held at the Hyatt Regency Pier 66, 2301 SE 17 Street, Fort Lauderdale. The cost is \$50 for civilians and \$25 for military personnel. Please RSVP to Lynn Drucker no later than June 8 at [lynn@druckermail.com](mailto:lynn@druckermail.com) or 954-325-9102.

We encourage Council members to attend the event and honor these fine men and women of the military.

# NATIONAL MARITIME DAY

May 22 is National Maritime Day in the United States each year. This day reflects the gratitude that Americans have for the maritime industry and the benefits it brings to the country. It also recognizes ships and seafarers who have held a special place in the nation's history.

National Maritime Day is observed on May 22, the date that the American steamship *Savannah* sailed from the United States to England. This event marked the first successful crossing of the Atlantic Ocean using steam propulsion. On May 20, 1933, Congress declared May 22 as National Maritime Day. During World War II more than 250,000 members of the American Merchant Marine served their country, with more than 6,700 giving their lives, hundreds being detained as prisoners of war and more than 800 ships being sunk or damaged.

In 2006 the Maritime Administration joined forces with the American Association of Port Authorities, the US Army Corps of Engineers, Waterways Council Inc, the US Coast Guard, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and other entities involved in the maritime industry to raise the awareness of National Maritime Day and of the maritime industry as a whole.

Each year, the President is requested to issue a proclamation calling on people to observe National Maritime Day by displaying the flag of the United States at their homes or other suitable places and for government officials to display the flag on all government buildings.

Each year, National Maritime Day is celebrated locally by the American Maritime Officers (AMO) and the STAR Center in Dania Beach. This year's guest speakers included Tom Bethel, National President, AMO; Captain James B. Pruett, USCG, Deputy Commander, Sector Miami; Broward County Commissioner Tim Ryan and Mayor of Dania Beach Walter Duke. Members of the Gulfstream Chapter of the American Merchant Marine Veterans were on hand to enjoy the event.



Left: wreath in honor of those merchant mariners who lost their lives

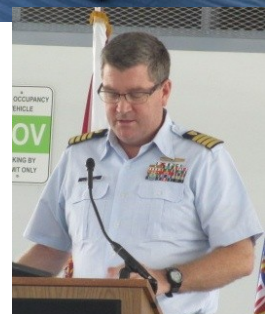
Below: Council members Graeme Holman (Head, Operations, STAR Center) and Mary Anne Gray (Executive Director, Broward Navy Days)



Above left: Ken Stolar (co-worker of Larry Ott)  
Below (left to right): Council members Larry Ott, Alan Starr and Joe Giambrone



Guest speakers (left) Mayor Walter Drake and (right) Captain James Pruett USCG



The photo above is the American Merchant Mariners' Memorial, located in Battery Park, New York, which depicts merchant mariners on a sinking lifeboat. The memorial was inspired by a photo that showed the victims of a U-boat attack. The 1991 memorial is dedicated to all American merchant mariners.

## COAST GUARD NEWS



**CAPTAIN AUSTIN J. GOULD**

Captain Christopher P. Scraba, Commander of Coast Guard Seventh District, will be relieved by Captain Austin J. Gould on June 14. Captain Scraba has been a good friend to the Council and recently served as a guest speaker. We wish him the best!

Captain Gould has been assigned as the Commander of Coast Guard Miami since June 2013. Prior to this assignment, Captain Gould was assigned as the Research, Development, Test and Evaluation (RDT&E) Program Manager at Coast Guard Headquarters. Captain Gould served as the Deputy Sector Commander at Coast Guard Sector Baltimore from May 2007 to May 2009. His first assignment in 1988 was as a Deck Watch Officer aboard USCGC VIGOROUS (WMEC 627). His career changed course when he was assigned as the Commanding Officer of Coast Guard Station New York in 1993, executing all search and rescue, law enforcement, and pollution response missions in the dynamic New York Harbor environment. This command ashore resulted in his assignment as the Surface Operations Officer at Group-Air-Station Atlantic City from 2001 to 2003. He also served as the Boat Forces Platform Manager (CG-731) from 2003 to 2007, where he was responsible for the procurement, standardization, and maintenance of the Coast Guard's fleet of approximately 2,000 boats.

Captain Gould's personal military awards include three Coast Guard Meritorious Service Medals, four Coast Guard Commendation medals, the Department of Transportation 9-11 Medal, the Coast Guard Achievement Medal, and the Coast Guard Letter of Commendation.

Captain Gould is a 1988 graduate of the United States Coast Guard Academy, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in Government. In 1996 he earned a Master of Business Administration degree in Finance with an International Business co-major from the Stern School of Business at New York University. In 2011, he earned his Acquisition Level III Program Manager Certification from the Department of Homeland Security. Captain Gould is a native of New Fairfield, CT and is married to Coast Guard Commander Kathryn Dunbar of Columbia, SC. They have four children.

*Welcome to South Florida Captain Gould!*



**REAR ADMIRAL  
JOHN H. KORN**

Rear Admiral William D. Baumgartner, will be ending his assignment as Commander, Seventh Coast Guard District on June 26. RADM Baumgartner has been at many of the Council's events and is a strong supporter of the Navy League. He will be missed by those of us

who have gotten to know him over the past 3 years.

Rear Admiral John H. Korn will be replacing RADM Baumgartner.

RADM Korn is currently the Coast Guard's Assistant Commandant for Acquisition and Chief Acquisition Officer (CAO), a position he acquired in May 2011. As CAO, he directs efforts across all Coast Guard acquisition programs, acquisition support, personnel, finance, contracting, and research and development activities to execute the service's multi-billion dollar acquisition investment portfolio. In his previous assignment as Program Executive Officer (PEO), he oversaw the execution of all Coast Guard acquisition programs and projects, which provides for the modernization and recapitalization of surface, air, command and control, and logistics assets for the Coast Guard's multiple maritime missions.

He served in a variety of operational and staff tours during his career, including Chief of Staff of the Eighth Coast Guard District, the first Commander of Coast Guard Sector Corpus Christi, Commanding Officer of Air Station Corpus Christi, Chief of Search and Rescue for the Eighth Coast Guard District, Commanding Officer of Air Station New Orleans, Engineering Officer of both Air Station Houston and Aviation Training Center Mobile, and tours in Headquarters Aeronautical Engineering and at the Aviation Logistic Center. He attained pilot qualifications on the HH-52A, HH-3F, HH-60J, HH-65A/B and the HU-25 and attained a Civilian Airline Transport Rating.

A native of northern New Jersey, RADM Korn graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy with a Bachelor of Science in ocean engineering. He received a master's degree in industrial administration from Purdue University's Krannert School of Management. He also completed the Advanced Management Program at the National Defense University, receiving a Chief Information Officer's Certificate and is a graduate of the Naval War College Fleet Seminar Program.

*Welcome to South Florida RADM Korn!*



**REAR ADMIRAL  
STEVE MEHLING**

Rear Admiral Steve Mehling will be returning to Florida when he assumes the duties of Director for Joint Interagency Task Force South (JIATF South) on June 14. Many of you will remember RADM Mehling from his time as commanding officer of Coast Guard Air Station Miami.

RADM Mehling will be relieving Rear Admiral Charles D. Michel.

JIATF South is a multiservice, multiagency national task force based at Naval Air Station Key West (Truman Annex) in Key West and is a subordinate command to U S Southern Command. It conducts counter illicit trafficking operations, intelligence fusion and multi-sensor correlation to detect, monitor, and handoff suspected illicit trafficking targets; promotes security cooperation and coordinates country team and partner nation initiatives in order to defeat the flow of illicit traffic.

RADM Mehling assumed the duties of Commander, Force Readiness Command (FORCECOM) in April, 2011. His prior Flag assignments include Director of Operations, Coast Guard Atlantic Area and Commander of the Fourteenth District. RADM Mehling is a career aviator with 17 years of operational flying experience. He had air station command tours in Houston, Texas and Miami. Between aviation assignments, he served 9 years in program oversight and personnel management duties in Washington, DC, including service as the Chief of Officer Personnel Management, Deputy Chief of Aviation Forces, and Shipboard-Helicopter Platform Manager.

RADM Mehling received his commission in 1980. His first assignment was as a Deck Watch Officer and as the Operations Officer aboard CGC SWEETGUM. Following this tour afloat, he attended flight training in Pensacola in 1982 and was designated a Coast Guard aviator in 1983. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree with high honors in Mathematics from the Coast Guard Academy and a Master of Science degree in Management from the University of Maryland. He has attended the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies in Honolulu and was a member of the U.S. delegation to the Pacific Islands Forum in Cairns, Australia.

RADM Mehling's personal awards include the Legion of Merit, four Meritorious Service Medals with Operational Device, two Air Medals, two Coast Guard Commendation Medals with Operational Device, the 9-11 Medal and numerous other team, unit, and individual awards.

*Welcome back RADM Mehling!*

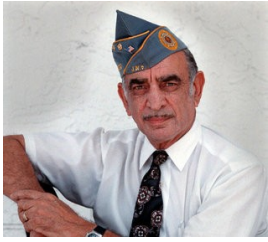
Each May, the Council recognizes outstanding cadets from the JROTC units we sponsor. This year, Board member and Youth Liaison LCDR Alan Starr presented the Navy League Youth Medal (also known as the Teddy Roosevelt medal) to:

(top photo) Cadet LTJG Bogdan Bosneanu of Taravella High School  
(middle photo) Cadet PO1 Branden Hamilton of Cooper City High School  
(bottom photo) Cadet Senior Chief Joleen Espinal of NOVA High School.





## "BILL" KLING OUTPATIENT CLINIC



Those who knew Bill Kling agree that in dedicating more than three decades of his life to the cause of military veterans, the tireless community activist never sought recognition or glory. But Kling, the long-time head of the Broward County Veterans Council who died

last year at the age of 84, got a bit of that anyway on May 19 at a ceremony to rename the VA outpatient clinic in Sunrise the William "Bill" Kling VA Clinic. The 98,000-square-foot facility has been known since its 2008 opening as the Broward County VA Outpatient Clinic.

The renaming of the clinic comes as a result of a bill introduced by South Florida Reps. Debbie Wasserman Schultz and Ted Deutch, both who knew Kling well for his work with the Democratic Party. The bill passed the House of Representatives in December. In speaking of Kling, both Wasserman Schultz and Deutch recalled his understated but effective lobbying style.

As a boy, Steven Kling said he came to understand early that his father, a Navy veteran of World War II, felt a burning desire to help others. From his television repair shop in the Bronx, he made house calls in neighborhoods where other service people did not go. When he moved to South Florida in the early 1970s, Kling ran Perfect Television on Broward Boulevard in Fort Lauderdale. He also spent two decades working as a process server for the Broward Sheriff's Office. He was a political activist as well, serving as president of the Plantation Democratic Club for more than 20 years. But improving health and educational benefits to veterans was his passion. He helped open the Oakland Park VA Outpatient Clinic more than two decades ago, and when that building began to deteriorate, he worked to build the facility that now bears his name.



Mike Ryan, left, Mayor of Sunrise; Sylvia Gallen, 2nd from left; U.S. Rep Ted Deutch, 3rd from left; U.S. Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz, 4th from left; and Dr. Gwen Findley, Assistant Director of the Veteran's Administration Miami Healthcare System, right, look up as the William "Bill," Kling Outpatient Clinic in Sunrise is renamed.

## MILITARY SUPPORT

The Council, through the efforts of Al and Shelly Stein, continues to provide care packages to our deployed military. Donations are always appreciated and can be sent to the Council's P O Box address (please be sure to indicate care package program on your check).

The following are some of the thank you notes recently received.

*I have received all the care packages this month. The guys have enjoyed the snacks and the personal care items. It really saves times when you don't need to go searching for toothpaste and soap! I appreciate the coffee as it's been a hit with the team. Thank you for all the items, it is nice to have reminders of home and to know that you folks care about us!*

ISC Tim Dickey  
NOSC Miami

*I received three packages today from you. Again, we thank you for the support that you have provided us since our arrival. I have some teams that are set up pretty good with access to good chow and such but I have some that are out alone and unafraid with nothing so I have been sending everything out their way. They are much appreciative.*

*Thanks again!*

Ronnie E. Ellis  
First Sergeant  
SOTF West, MSOC G 8220  
Fire Base Thomas

*Thank you so much for your care package (which I received Memorial Day weekend). Such thoughtfulness brings a comfort that is far beyond what is given. Of course I am in Germany and not facing the deprivations that many of my shipmates and friends are enduring right now, but I want you to know that it means a lot that someone is thinking about me. You see, I found out after I got over here that I am going deaf. Maybe it won't progress to a total loss, I'm really hoping not, but it was a shock nonetheless to be told I will never hear like a normal person again, and that my condition will only worsen over time. I am separated from my home and family and have chosen not to tell them about it until I can see them face to face, which may be another six months from now. So thank you very much for brightening my day.*

*Kind regards,*

Patricia Montgomery, PO1, USNR

## SEA SERVICE NEWS



A helicopter instructor pilot from Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron (HSC) 2 was selected as the Navy's Woman of the Year honoree for the USO of Metropolitan New York, on May 2. Lt. Janis Harrington

was one of five female service members - one from each branch of the armed forces - who received the award in commemoration of their dedication, achievements, and service to the country. Harrington, a self-proclaimed "Marine Brat," believes her leadership ability developed early in her career with assistance from her father, a retired master sergeant in the Marine Corps. Harrington said "I learned a lot from my dad. He told me to rely on my Chief and take care of my Sailors when in charge. I did what he said and I did what I felt was right; but I never thought I'd be honored like this." The USO held its 47th USO Woman of the Year Luncheon at The Pierre Hotel in New York City. The USO also honored a senior female military officer and presented five Military Leadership Awards to female service members from each branch of the armed forces, highlighting their incredible stories of exceptional bravery and grace under the most extreme conditions.



The fourth annual Warrior Games ended on May 16 when several hundred athletes, families and friends gathered at the U.S.

Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado for the closing ceremony, which was highlighted by two of the Games' most prestigious awards. The Chairman's Cup was awarded to the Marines and the title of Ultimate Champion went to Air Force Capt. Mitchell Kieffer. The Chairman's Cup is a team award based on each team's top finishes in individual events as well as sitting volleyball and wheelchair basketball, the two team sports contested at the Warrior Games. The 2013 Warrior Games consisted of 260 wounded, ill and injured service members and veterans of five U.S. teams (Army, Marine Corps, Navy/Coast Guard, Air Force and Special Operations) and the British Armed Forces team competing over six days. The Marines now have earned the Chairman's Cup at all four Warrior Games. The Marines claimed this year's Chairman's Cup with 100 points, which is attributed to the team's 36 medals in track and field, 34 medals in swimming, 13 medals in shooting, four medals in archery and four medals in cycling, along with gold in sitting volleyball and silver in wheelchair basketball. Army finished second with 85 points, while Navy finished third, Air Force fourth and Special Operations took fifth.



RADM William Baumgartner, commander of the Seventh Coast Guard District, presented U.S. Border Patrol agent Javier M. López with the Silver Life Saving Medal on May 24

during a ceremony at Air Station Borinquen's Community Center in Aguadilla, Puerto Rico. López, who serves as a Customs and Border Protection Border Patrol agent at Ramey Sector in Aguadilla, was awarded the Medal for his heroic actions in rescuing two people from drowning on August 27, 2011 at Jobos Beach, Isabela, Puerto Rico. Xavier Morales, Ramey Sector acting chief U.S. Border Patrol agent said, "Border Patrol Agents often go above and beyond in all types of situations and it's great when they are commended for their actions. The fact that Agent Lopez was commended by a partner agency makes this extra special". The Silver Lifesaving Medal was created by congress in 1874 and is awarded to people who endanger their own lives while saving or attempting to save another from drowning, a shipwreck or other perils of the water. The Coast Guard is the ultimate award authority for the Silver Lifesaving Medal and can award the decorations to members of all military branches as well as civilians .



Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus announced that the next Arleigh Burke-class destroyers (DDG) will be named USS Paul Ignatius and USS Daniel Inouye. The future USS Paul Ignatius (DDG 117) honors Paul Ignatius who served as secretary of the Navy 1967--1969 and as assistant secretary of defense under President Lyndon Johnson. The future USS Daniel Inouye (DDG 118) is named to honor former Sen. Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii. Inouye was awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions in Tuscany, Italy, during World War II and later became a U.S. senator. USS Paul Ignatius and USS Daniel Inouye will be the first naval ships to bear these names. Arleigh Burke-class destroyers conduct a variety of operations from peacetime presence and crisis management to sea control and power projection. They are capable of fighting air, surface and subsurface battles simultaneously and contain a myriad of offensive and defensive weapons designed to support maritime warfare. DDG 117 and DDG 118 are part of the DDG 51 multiyear procurement with the contract award to the building yard pending. The ships will be 509 feet long, have a beam length of 59 feet and be capable of operating at speeds in excess of 30 knots.

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### REMINDER

If you discard your *SeaPower* magazines after reading them each month, please consider saving them and "recycling" them to interested veterans. Bring them to any Council event where Board member Dottie Kirk will be glad to take them from you. Dottie shares them with the many veterans that live in her complex.

# RECENT EVENTS



Participants in the Legion of Honor Ceremony and Presentation of USNA Class of 2017



Council President Shelley Beck was recently presented with a Volunteer Services award by the Miami Dolphins. She is shown with Alan Stang who also received an award.

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