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DECEMBER EVENTS

**BROWARD COUNTY COUNCIL
AND
BROWARD NAVY DAYS INC
HONOR
THE U S COAST GUARD**

USCGC ROBERT YERED WPC 1104
USCGC GANNET WPB 87334
USCG STATION FORT LAUDERDALE
USCG AIDS TO NAVIGATION
USCG AIR STATION MIAMI

WITH A HOLIDAY PARTY AT

**BRINY RIVERFRONT RESTAURANT
305 SOUTH ANDREWS AVENUE
FORT LAUDERDALE
(Las Olas Riverfront on the New River)**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2014
6:00—8:00 pm**

**TWO FREE DRINKS FOR COAST GUARD
PERSONNEL AND THEIR SPOUSE/GUEST**

FREE BUFFET FOR ALL

ENTERTAINMENT

**CASUAL HOLIDAY ATTIRE
UNIFORM NOT REQUIRED**

**BROWARD COUNTY COUNCIL AND
FORT LAUDERDALE COUNCIL**

**INVITE YOU TO JOIN US
FOR A DINNER SOCIAL ON**

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2014
6:00—7:00 PM CASH BAR
7:00 PM—DINNER AND MEETING**

**GUEST SPEAKER
COLON MICHAEL CUCCIO, USMC
CHIEF OF STAFF, USMC FORCES, SOUTH**

**CORAL RIDGE YACHT CLUB
2800 YACHT CLUB BLVD
FORT LAUDERDALE**

\$40 PER PERSON

**CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE PAYABLE TO
FORT LAUDERDALE COUNCIL NLUS**

**TOYS FOR TOTS! PLEASE BRING
AN UNWRAPPED TOY!**

**PLEASE RSVP BEFORE DECEMBER 12
BY E-MAILING
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

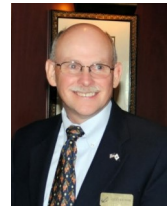
Thank you to all who were able to attend our Individual Augmentee (IA) recognition luncheon on November 16th for personnel assigned to NOSC Miami that have been deployed in IA billets worldwide. This event was jointly sponsored by our Council and the Fort Lauderdale and Miami Councils, with assistance from the Everglades Council and Broward Navy Days. George Reeves worked hard along with Simone Ramos from the Fort Lauderdale Council to put together a great event at Shula's in Miami Lakes. RDML Jerabek, the SOUTHCOM J-7, was our guest speaker as we recognized ten NOSC IA's at the luncheon; another ten who were not able to make it will get plaques and IA coins presented to them by the NOSC. Looking ahead, our next event will be the annual US Coast Guard Unit Holiday Party on Friday, December 5th from 6-8 PM at Briny's Pub in Fort Lauderdale that we're once again jointly sponsoring with Broward Navy Days, and I hope to see a great turnout of members to thank the men and women from our local Coast Guard units for keeping us safe and secure. Also hope to see some of you at the annual Pearl Harbor Day ceremony at Coast Guard Station Fort Lauderdale on Sunday, December 7th at 2 PM as the local community comes together to reflect on that Day of Infamy. Since we're having the Coast Guard holiday party, we will not be holding a separate dinner meeting in December, but will be joining with the Fort Lauderdale Council at their December dinner meeting on Wednesday, December 17th at the Coral Ridge Yacht Club to celebrate the holidays!

Looking ahead to January, we will be holding our Installation Luncheon aboard a Princess Cruises cruise ship in Port Everglades, and will let you know the date when it is confirmed by Princess. As I noted last month, this year's Officers have agreed to stay in place for another year, but there are openings on the Board since Alan Stein has indicated that he intends to leave the Board at the end of this year. As most of you may know, Alan and his wife Shelley have led the Council's outstanding Marine Unit Care Package program for many 10 years, and as the Marines' presence in Afghanistan and the need for our program has wound down, though it was time for him to return to a less active role as a general member.

Al is also the liaison for our adopted Navy afloat units, the USS BATAAN and USS LEYTE GULF, so if any members are interested in taking a more active role in the Council as a Director on our Board please let me know. Also, another reminder that the voluntary local Council dues are due. The extra funds generated by those dues allow us to support the wide range of events and activities listed in the email notice you should have received. Finally, another reminder for your calendars that Fleet Week 2015 planning will begin with the Initial Planning Meeting on January 13, 2015 at Port Everglades. I know that many of our Council members will once again step forward to fill key planning roles and assist Broward Navy Days for the events that will run from May 4-10, 2015.

As always, please feel free to contact me at 718-619-7402 or at wiltbrit@aol.com if you have any ideas on what our Council should be doing to make your membership more valuable to you.

Glenn Wiltshire
CAPT, US Coast Guard Retired
Broward County Council President



2015 COUNCIL OFFICERS

The following is the slate of Council Officers for 2015

President: Glenn Wiltshire
First Vice President: Erwin Sefton
Second Vice President: Marianne Giambrone
Vice President, Legislative Affairs: Robert Marks
Secretary: Shelley Beck
Treasurer: Tom Carney
JAG: No candidate

The election will be held at the December 17th dinner social. Members must be present to vote.

GUEST SPEAKER



Colonel Cuccio, a Mahopac, New York native, was commissioned on May 31, 1989 upon graduation from the United States Naval Academy. Following completion of The Basic School and Infantry Officer Course,

he reported to the 1st Marine Division in Camp Pendleton, California where he served as a Rifle Platoon Commander, Company Executive Officer, and Combined Anti-Armor Platoon Commander with 3d Battalion, 1st Marines. While with 3/1, he deployed to the Persian Gulf with 5th Marine Expeditionary Brigade for Operations DESERT SHIELD and DESERT STORM, participated in riot control during the 1992 Los Angeles riots, and completed a deployment to Okinawa where his battalion was the ground combat element of 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit.

In 1993, Colonel Cuccio reported to Marine Barracks, Washington DC where he served as a Platoon Commander, Company Executive Officer, and as OIC of the Warfighting Skills Program at the Marine Corps Institute. After attending Amphibious Warfare School, Colonel Cuccio reported to 2d Marine Division in Camp Lejeune, North Carolina and served as Commanding Officer of Headquarters Company, 2d Marine Regiment; Commanding Officer of Charlie Company, 1st Battalion, 2d Marines; Commanding Officer of II MEF Marine Forces Unitas; and as Assistant G-3 Operations Officer, 2d Marine Division. From April to October 1999, he served as an individual augment at Headquarters, United States European Command in Stuttgart, Germany as a Contingency Operations Planner in support of Operations ALLIED FORCE and JOINT GUARDIAN. During this period, he was forward deployed to Pristina, Kosovo to serve as a Liaison Officer to Headquarters, Kosovo Force. While with Unitas, he completed a 5-month shipboard deployment to South America.

From 2001 to 2004, Colonel Cuccio served as Assistant Head, Enlisted Retention and Counseling Section (MMEA-6), M&RA, Headquarters U.S. Marine Corps. In 2004, he was reassigned to the

Joint Staff, where he served as Assistant Chief, Multinational Operations Division, Operations Directorate (J-3). In 2007, Colonel Cuccio reported to 3d Marine Division in Okinawa, Japan and served as the G-3 Future Operations/Plans Officer until May 2010. In 2008, he was deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM as an Embedded Training Team Officer-in-Charge with the 201st Corps of the Afghan National Army.

Colonel Cuccio was promoted to his present rank in October 2010. From Oct 2010 to Jun 2013, he served as Head, Expeditionary Policies Branch (POE), PP&O, Headquarters U.S. Marine Corps. His current assignment is Chief of Staff, U.S. Marine Corps Forces, South.

Colonel Cuccio has a Bachelor of Science degree in Ocean Engineering from the United States Naval Academy and a Master of Arts degree in International Affairs from the Catholic University of America. He is a graduate of the Air War College nonresident program, Senior Planner Course, Joint and Combined Warfighting School, Marine Corps Command and Staff College nonresident program and Amphibious Warfare School.

His personal decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star with Combat Distinguishing Device, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with two Gold Stars, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Navy-Marine Corps Commendation Medal with Combat Distinguishing Device and one Gold Star, Navy-Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal, and Combat Action Ribbon with one Gold Star.

Marine Corps Forces South's focus is on the Latin American Marines, Naval Infantry, and Maritime Security Forces; anti-terrorism; and peacekeeping, humanitarian assistance and disaster relief. They build security forces to detect, deter, and defend critical infrastructure and assets. They help establish SOUTHCOM's maritime domain awareness as well as build partner nation capabilities for UN peacekeeping missions in Haiti, Congo, and the Middle East.

TOYS FOR TOTS

Please note that we are asking all members that are attending the December 17th dinner social to bring a new toy (or two) for Toys for Tots. Your kindness will put a smile on a young child's face this holiday season. Below is the history of Toys for Tots.

Toys for Tots began as a Los Angeles charitable effort in 1947. Major Bill Hendricks, USMCR, was inspired by his wife Diane when she tried to donate a homemade Raggedy Ann doll to a needy child but could find no organization to do so. At her suggestion, he gathered a group of local Marine reservists, including Lieutenant Colonel John Hampton, who coordinated and collected some 5,000 toys for local children that year from collection bins placed outside of Warner Bros. movie theaters. Their efforts were so successful that, in 1948, Toys for Tots was launched as a national campaign. Hendricks used his position as director of Public Relations for Warner Brothers Studio to enlist celebrity support, as well as have Walt Disney Studios design the red toy train logo.

Until 1979, Marine reservists (frequently in their dress blue uniforms) and volunteers would collect and refurbish used toys. In 1980, only new toys were accepted, as reservists were no longer able to dedicate drill hours to refurbish toys, as well as legal concerns and the mixed message of giving hand-me-downs as a message of hope. In 1991, the Secretary of Defense authorized the creation and affiliation with the non-profit charity foundation. In 1995, the Secretary of Defense approved Toys for Tots as an official mission of the Marine Corps Reserve.

As of 2013, the Toys for Tots Program and Foundation have collected and distributed more than 469 million toys.



USS LEYTE GULF



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The Command Master Chief of our adopted ship, the USS Leyte Gulf, recently reached out to the Council for assistance. CMDCM Pablo Rosado notified the Council that they needed some help with getting Christmas stockings their Family Support Group put together for their deployed Sailors. Captain Dean Rawls' wife Cira along with the crew's families at home put the stockings together. They had difficulties raising all the funds for shipping. Board member Alan Stein contacted Cira Rawls and determined the amount needed to cover the shipping. The Council was pleased to mail a check to the USS Leyte Gulf Family Support Group. CMDCM Rosado sent the following email:

Thank you very much for the continued support you have provided. Please let me know if you need anything from us. Have a great day.

Very Respectfully,

*CMDCM(SW/EXW/AW) Pablo Rosado
USS LEYTE GULF (CG 55)*

NEW MEMBER

The Council would like to welcome new member

Douglas J. Burgess of Fort Lauderdale



REMEMBERING TWO GREAT MEN



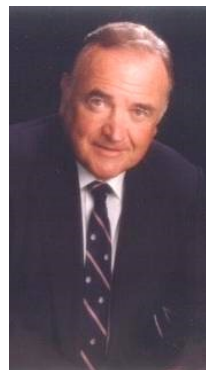
Just last month, an article appeared in The Helmsman on Honor Flight. Allan F. McElhiney, Jr., founding father of the Naval Air Station Florida Museum, was one of the WWII veterans who was able to experience the trip to Washington DC. Allan passed away on November 9, 2014, his 89th birthday. He was an amazing man and his story is below.

Allan McElhiney was born November 9, 1925 in Lynn, Massachusetts. His father was a Marine who served in World War I. Allan has three brothers, all of whom served in the military, and one sister. On Allan's 17th birthday, his parents signed his papers to join the Navy. Beginning in 1944 he served on a Patrol Frigate, the USS Asheville (PF-1) based at Port Everglades on convoy duty. After WWII while in the reserves, he was called to active duty for the Korean Conflict, back aboard the USS Asheville. After his discharge from the Navy, like many veterans who had spent time or heard stories of our area, Allan moved with his wife Carolyn and five children to Fort Lauderdale, where he started a wall-covering business. In the 1970's, he joined the Navy League and later became chairman of the Sea Cadet Program.

In 1979, Allan along with Ben Langley MCB7, Army Col. Robert Rawls, Chief Stephen Sedillo USCG, and a handful of history enthusiasts and supporters, established the Naval Air Station Fort Lauderdale Historical Association. Their main mission was to save from demolition at least one of the buildings from the large naval base. They were successful in preserving Building #8 "The Link Trainer Building," after having it placed on the National Register of Historic Places on May 20th 1998. In December 1999, after much work and preparation the building was moved to its permanent location at 4000 W. Perimeter Road. Restoration has continued since, to complete his dream of a permanent place (Naval Air Station Fort Lauderdale Museum) to honor the service and sacrifices of those who trained here during WWII. In the course of more than 30 years McElhiney compiled a vast amount of documents, photographs, articles and artifacts that are on display at the Museum.

Beginning on December 5, 1989 Allan has presided over the Flight 19 Memorial Ceremony, originally at Navy Park and more recently in the Museum building. This annual ceremony is open to the public.

Over the past several years, Allan's physical health has deteriorated, limiting his activities; however his keen mind and sharp wit remained. Having learned of the Honor Flight, he was invigorated by the opportunity to travel with other World War II veterans to visit the WWII, Korea, Iwo Jima Memorials, and Arlington Cemetery in Washington, DC. It was obvious to his family and friends how very important this was to him. With the great help of Honor Flight South Florida volunteers, he made the trip on October 11th, 2014. His joy was palpable, especially with the reception celebration on their return that night to Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport. On November 9, 2014, after a long battle with Parkinson's disease, Allan passed away on his 89th birthday.



Long time Navy Leaguer Dolph Du Mont passed away on November 16, 2014. Dolph was a member of the Fort Lauderdale Council and previously served as their Council President. Recently Dolph served as a Navy League National Director. Dolph was also a strong supporter of the Spruance Division Naval Sea Cadets.

Dolph served as a Navy diver in WWII participating in the cleanup of Pearl Harbor. He had served as chairman of Manadu Corporation, an international management consulting firm, and remained active in the firm. Dolph was very active in a variety of fundraising events and civic pursuits and recently served on the Broward Sheriff's Advisory Council as a director and treasurer. His wife, Pat Du Mont, is also a long time Navy Leaguer and a member of the Fort Lauderdale Council. Dolph and Pat were married for over 40 years.

USS LEYTE GULF

The Council's adopted ship, the USS Leyte Gulf, recently advised us of their outstanding crew members who were selected as Sailors of the Quarter, Junior Sailors of the Quarter and Blue-jackets of the Quarter in fiscal year 2014. The Council has honored these sailors with a certificate of accomplishment as well as a monetary award. Photos are not available at this time since the Leyte Gulf is deployed but will be in a future edition of the newsletter. Bravo Zulu to all of these fine sailors!

Quarter 1

Sailor of the Quarter IS1(SW) Jason Chidester
Junior Sailor of the Quarter GM1(SW) Jason Pruettt
Bluejacket of the Quarter CTR2(SW) Allison Hunt

Quarter 2

Sailor of the Quarter CS1(SW) Cory Mills
Junior Sailor of the Quarter HT2(SW) George Davis
Bluejacket of the Quarter CSSN(SW) Jalon Sinclair

Quarter 3

Sailor of the Quarter SH1(SW) Ronald Wilson
Junior Sailor of the Quarter GM1(SW) John Milligan
Bluejacket of the Quarter ET3(SW) Ahmad Canada

Quarter 4

Sailor of the Quarter LS1(SW/AW/EXW) Wady Almanzar
Junior Sailor of the Quarter FC2(SW) Travis Boyd
Bluejacket of the Quarter SHSN(SW) Dree Dixon

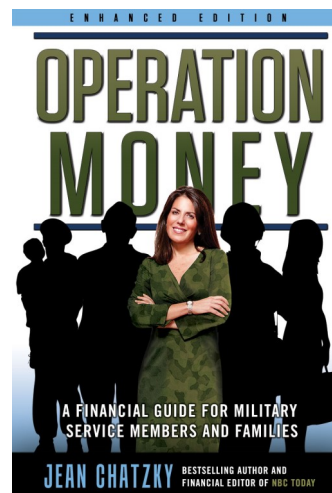


SHOEBOX CHRISTMAS

Volunteers are still needed to deliver gift-wrapped shoeboxes filled with personal care items to mariners visiting Port Everglades during the holiday season (known as Shoebox Christmas sponsored by Seafarers' House). Board member Joe Giambrone is coordinating the schedules of the delivery volunteers and would like to hear from anyone who is interested in volunteering their time during the month of December. Volunteers may offer their services for just one day or multiple days; any help is appreciated. Volunteers must be in good physical shape since entry onto the cargo ships are often by steep ladders. Youngsters are welcome to volunteer but must at least 12 years old. To find out more, contact Joe at 954-389-0545 or at giambronejm@gmail.com



FINANCIAL GUIDE



Jean Chatzky, who is often on The Today Show, recently put together a financial guide for military service members and their families. The book is called Operation Money and it can be viewed or downloaded (for free).

Go to jeanchatzky.com/operation-money/

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

December 5 at 1:00PM - The 69th Anniversary of Flight 19 Memorial Ceremony will take place at the Naval Air Station Fort Lauderdale Museum, 4000 West Perimeter Road, Fort Lauderdale

December 7 at 2:00PM - Broward Navy Days, Inc. will again honor our remaining Pearl Harbor survivors and the thousands lost on that "day that will live in infamy". The ceremony will take place at Coast Guard Station Fort Lauderdale and will include the Spruance Division of the Sea Cadets, remarks from our active duty military and veterans, and the casting of a memorial wreath into the waters of Port Everglades.

December 13 at 3:00PM - Army-Navy game (the 115th) is being played at the M&T Bank Stadium in Baltimore. Game will be televised on CBS.

December 13 at 7:00PM - Winterfest Boat Parade stages along the New River and travels east to the Intracoastal Waterway in Fort Lauderdale and north to Lake Santa Barbara in Pompano Beach

December 28 at 6:30 PM - Boca Delray Council will host a pre-New Year's Eve celebration dinner dance at the Deer Creek Country Club, Key Biscayne Room. Event is black tie optional for men; dressy cocktail for ladies. Music will be provided by Michael Masci. Payment in advance by December 15 - \$50 per person - checks should be made payable to Boca Delray Council and mailed to Loretta Baldwin, 23165 Via Stel, Boca Raton 33433. Indicate dinner selection of chicken piccata or pesto grilled salmon and dessert selection of sugar free or chef choice.

Through December 30 - "The Courage to Remember" Holocaust Exhibit will be on display at the Broward County Main Library, 100 S. Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale. This traveling exhibit first opened in 1988 and features more than 200 exclusive photographs that cannot be seen anywhere else in the world.



CARE PACKAGE PROGRAM



The Council's Care Package Program continues although there are fewer troops stationed in Afghanistan. Al and Shelly Stein ensure that wherever there are troops deployed, care packages are sent to them to ensure they know that people back home remember and support them.

Former Council Secretary recently sent the following thank you email. In addition, she informed us that after spending a year in Djibouti, she would be deployed to Kenya for 5 months.

Thank you AL and the NAVY LEAGUE! I just returned to Djibouti and found like 7 boxes waiting for me! I opened them up and had a sugar rush! Everyone in my shop enjoyed the goodies as well. I leave for Kenya tomorrow for 5 months. For there, you definitely do not have to go out of your way to send me stuff. Save the postage for the MIDDLE EAST folks. They are limited there. Kenya has the US embassy and other high end locations. I rather your wonderful attention and efforts focus on the young Marines and servicemen in more harms way like Afghanistan, etc...

Another thank you email:

*Thanks, I know I'm not in the Marines but thanks very much for your time and efforts. Your goodies got to a great home and will be spread around a squadron joint operations TOC for all to enjoy! All the best! And again thank you,
1LT (P) Joe Cornely*

INDIVIDUAL AUGMENTEE RECOGNITION LUNCHEON

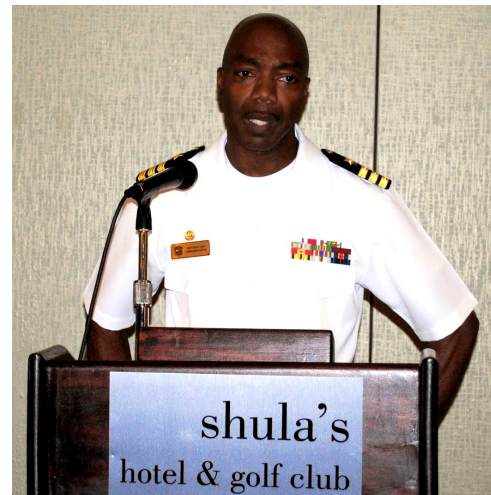
On November 16, Naval Operational Support Center (NOSC) Miami sailors mobilized for Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, Global Contingencies and other critical areas beyond our borders were honored. NOSC Miami is one of the Council's adopted units. The event was held at Shula's Hotel in Miami Lakes and was co-sponsored by the Broward County, Fort Lauderdale and Miami Navy League Councils. Broward Navy Days and the Everglades Council Navy League also supported the event. Those sailors being honored were Individual Augmentees (IAs) - sailors who have left their assigned units or commands to deploy individually or in small groups. They are usually assigned to units to fill specialized roles that military units either have difficulty filling or those that require special expertise. Little or no ceremony marks their deployment or return. Often, with little notice, IAs are asked to head to unknown territories, face unknown enemies and spend over a year away from their homes and families.

Chuck Black, Navy League South Florida Area President, made the opening remarks and the Spruance Division Sea Cadets presented the colors. Remarks were made by CDR Harold W. Long, Commanding Officer of NOSC Miami. The guest speaker was RDML Scott B. Jerabek USN, Director of Theater Engagement (D7), U S Southern Command. The presentation of awards was made by CDR Long, LCDR Jason Michewicz (XO NOSC Miami), RDML Jerabek and Navy League Council representatives.



Navy League South Florida Area President Chuck Black made the opening remarks and served as Master of Ceremonies.

NOSC Miami Commanding Officer CDR Harold W. Long



Guest speaker RDML Scott B. Jerabek



Spruance Division Sea Cadets presented the colors



INDIVIDUAL AUGMENTEE RECOGNITION LUNCHEON

We want to thank these NOSC Miami sailors for the sacrifices they make each day to keep us safe!



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SEA SERVICE NEWS



Captain Derek Herrera, a Marine who was left paralyzed by a sniper's bullet in Afghanistan fulfilled a promise to himself on November 21 and walked using robotic leg braces in a ceremony at Camp Pendleton, where he was awarded a Bronze Star.

His commanding officer, Lt Col. John J. Lynch, commanding officer of the Marine Corps Special Operations Command, presented him the award. Herrera had vowed to walk at the event that also marked his retirement after 8½ years in the military, saying he wanted to leave the Marine Corps the same way he joined. The special operations officer was honored with the Bronze Star for his actions on June 14, 2012, when the patrol he was leading came under heavy fire in Afghanistan. Herrera continued coordinating efforts while receiving treatment for his own spinal injury and collapsed left lung. Left paralyzed from the chest down, the 30-year-old Marine sought to be allowed to remain on active duty and pushed himself to get back to walking. His last day on active-duty is November 30. Herrera was the first person in the United States to purchase the ReWalk system, a robotic exoskeleton system that allows people with spinal cord injuries to stand and walk. The MARSOC Foundation, a charitable fund for members of the Marine Corps Special Operations Command, raised the money for Herrera to buy the \$69,500 device. Herrera is working on a master's degree in business administration at the University of California, Los Angeles and plans to start his own business.



New commanding officer, Captain John Carter, held his first all hands call in the hanger of our adopted ship, USS Bataan



Office of National Drug Control Policy Deputy Director for Supply Reduction Marilyn Quagliotti presented the United States Interdiction Coordinator (USIC)

Award to Operation Bahamas Turks and Caicos (OPBAT) on November 17. "Operation Bahamas Turks and Caicos is an outstanding example of a partnership which employs existing capabilities to meet a wide range of demands," said Deputy Director Quagliotti, who serves as the U. S. Interdiction Coordinator (USIC). OBAT is a multi-agency, international drug interdiction effort focused primarily on stemming the flow of illicit drugs from South America and the Caribbean to the Bahamas, the Turks and Caicos Islands, and the United States. In 2013, OPBAT prosecuted 428 separate law enforcement cases, seized \$32,057,774 worth of marijuana, and interdicted more cocaine than in the past three years combined. Additionally, OPBAT arrested 154 narco-traffickers during law enforcement operations in 2013, and continues to deter drug trafficking groups from using the Bahamas and Turks and Caicos for cocaine transportation.



The "Grim Reapers" of Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 101, the Navy's first F-35C Lightning II carrier variant squadron, reached a milestone in November 2014

by surpassing 1,000 mishap-free flight hours in the F-35C. As the F-35C Fleet Replacement Squadron, VFA-101, homeported at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, trains Navy aircrew and maintenance personnel to fly and repair the aircraft. The unit became the Navy's first F-35C squadron after receiving the aircraft June 22, 2013, from Lockheed Martin, and completed the first check flight, August 14.

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Are you looking for a way to advertise your business at a reasonable cost? Business card ads are available at a cost of \$125. The ad will appear in The Helmsman for one year (ten editions). If you would like to advertise your business or organization and provide financial support to the Council at the same time, contact Joe Giambrone at giambronejm@gmail.com or 954-389-0545.

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WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

In 2007, the Worcester family, along with veterans and others who had helped with their annual Christmas wreath ceremony in Arlington, formed Wreaths Across America. This nonprofit organization continues the Arlington tradition as part of its mission to Remember, Honor and Teach. In 2013, Wreaths Across America and their national network of volunteers laid over 420,000 memorial wreaths at over 900 locations in the United States and beyond.

Wreaths Across America needs your help to reach their goal of placing 750,000 wreaths on veterans' graves in 2014. Every time you help them honor our veterans and active military, you are also honoring their families and preparing a new generation to appreciate our freedoms.

The wreaths will be placed on the graves at Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens (200 W Copans Road, Pompano Beach) on December 13, 2014 beginning at 12 NOON. Plans are in place to have BSO and Young Marines assist in placing the wreaths. There will be several guest speakers and a BBQ following the placing of the wreaths. All members are invited to attend.

How can you help? It's simple. Your gift of \$15 will ensure a wreath is placed on the grave of a fallen hero. Visit wreathscrossamerica.org to get more information and to purchase wreaths online. Click on the "sponsor locally" button, then click on "find a fundraising group" and type in FLFLMP. If you prefer, you may mail a check to Wreaths Across America, P O Box 249, Columbia Falls ME 04623 and be sure to indicate FLFLMP in the notes section of your check. FLFLMP must be indicated so the wreaths are delivered to Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens.



THESE COMPANIES SUPPORT
OUR COUNCIL
PLEASE SUPPORT THEM!

NOVEMBER EVENT



Shown in photo are the Individual Augmentees from NOSC Miami who were recognized at the November 16 event. Also shown (in the back row) are CDR Long (3rd from left), RDML Scott B. Jerabek (center next to flag); LCDR Jason Michewicz (4th from right) and Command Chief Kenyatta Bennett (far right)

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