

guests included Mrs. Hawaii 2012 L. Stacey Snee, a Navy spouse, former naval officer and graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, and Carole Hickerson, who along with her husband, James, was awarded the council's 2010 American Patriot Award. She is credited with creating the logo that eventually was used on the POW/MIA flag.

Hickerson presented Dumire with a framed logo after he said a few words of welcome to the gathering, expressed his appreciation to the Honolulu Council in hosting this year's convention, and thanked Navy League members for all that they do to support the men and women of the sea services.

While guests enjoyed a buffet, they were entertained by traditional Hawaiian dances performed by 14 girls from the Aloha O'Pu'uawai Halau, under the direction of their Kumumu, Donna Noelani Sylvester.

Hall of Fame Luncheon

This annual luncheon began with young soloist Mehana Oriana Muranaka singing "Hawaii Pono'i" and the National Anthem. Livingston then took the opportunity to present two \$2,000 scholarships sponsored by AT&T, awards typically presented at the Honolulu Council's annual dinner.

Angelica Tran could not make the trip from the island of Kauai, so Jane Ferreira, head of the council's Scholarship Committee, accepted the oversized check on her behalf. Robert Figgs, of Honolulu, then joined Livingston onstage to receive his scholarship check.

Inducted by Dumire into the Navy League Hall of Fame for 2012 was Jeanne Sharkey, who was honored for 33 years of Navy League service.

"She has played an invaluable role in the execution of key Navy League events, where she has been a major leader and doer for almost every major event in the Pacific Central Region for more than 20 years," her citation reads. "Jeanne has served in leadership positions ranging from national director to council president, and just about everything in between. Having served on the San Francisco Fleet Week Committee for 10 years, her efforts helped expose countless Americans to the missions of our sea services.

"Serving on the Commissioning Committees of the USS *Campbell*, USCGC *Bertholf* and USCGC *Waesche*, Jeanne has helped ensure all details were considered, resulting in seamless commissioning ceremonies. Assisting weak councils, her hard work was a major factor in their retention. ... Any region would be fortunate to have a person such as Jeanne Sharkey on their leadership team."

U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps (NSCC) unit awards for sponsoring councils were then presented by Jim Monahan and Randy W. Hollstein, NSCC executive director and national chairman, respectively.



Jeanne Sharkey was inducted into the Navy League Hall of Fame June 21 by National President Philip L. Dumire in honor of her 33 years of Navy League service.

William Keller, national vice president for membership and retention, joined Dumire onstage to present the various council awards, which were listed in the Council Digest section of the June issue of *Seapower*.

Sea Services Panel

Bringing insights into the current state of their respective sea services, their concerns and plans for the future were the Coast Guard's Ray; Col. James F. Werth, head of the G3 command operations branch at Marine Corps Forces Pacific (MARFORPAC); and Rear Adm. Christopher Grady, deputy chief of staff for operations, training and readiness, Commander, Pacific Fleet. For these sea service leaders, in supporting the United States' strategic pivot to the Asia-Pacific, cooperating with each other and allied nations is critical to operating in their vast areas of responsibility (AORs).

The Navy League's Gordon S. Holder, a retired Navy vice admiral, served as moderator.

Ray's search-and-rescue and maritime law enforcement responsibilities with the Coast Guard's Fourteenth District include about 12.2 million square miles, stretching from Hawaii to west of Guam, "and well south of the equator to all the Pacific island nations, primarily a region we call Oceania. We work