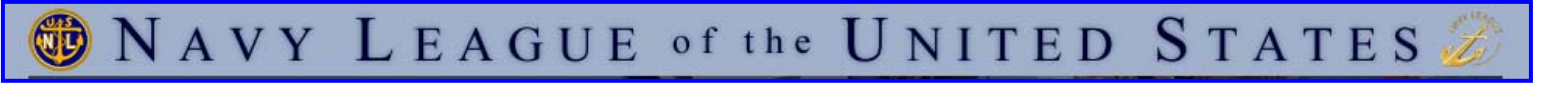


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Presidents Message

Jim Harbuck

Since this is the last issue of the Sea Chant in 2013, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Council members, Officers and Board of Directors for all your support in 2013. As I have said many times, it takes a team to put on the many activities and dinners our Council hosts.

We serve to educate the public about the Sea Services and their contribution to our economy and national defense. It has been a great privilege to work with our adopted units. These fine young men and women are among the Nation's best.

We are closing in on the beginning of the New Year and we need to "Take Time".

- "Take Time to think.....it is the source of power
- Take Time to play.....it is the secret of perpetual youth
- Take Time to read.....it is the fountain of wisdom
- Take Time to pray.....it is the greatest power on earth
- Take Time to love and be loved.....it is a God-given privilege
- Take Time to be friendly.....it is the road to happiness
- Take Time to laugh.....it is the music of the soul
- Take Time to give.....it is too short a day to be selfish
- Take Time to work.....it is the price of success
- Take Time to do charity.....it is the key to heaven"

- Anonymous

We look forward to a great 2014 and solicit your ideas for activities, events, etc. The Officers and Board of Directors will hold a 2014 Planning Meeting on January 11, 2014. Please email your comments, recommendations to me at jharbuck118@gmail.com.

Now that you've "Taken Time" I hope that your holiday season was enjoyable and filled with the joy of being with family and friends.

Happy New Year!

Jim Harbuck!

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SEA CADETS – DIABLO SQUADRON

Anthony Milano, ECHO COMPANY PLATOON 2107, Marine Corp Boot Camp, San Diego, CA. November 15, 2013

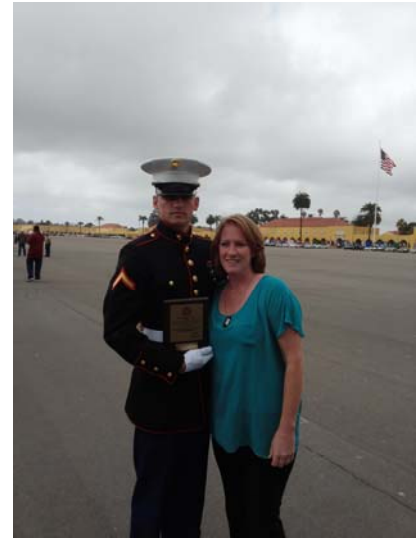
I am currently a Private First Class in the United States Marine Corps but my career didn't start there, it started when I first signed up for the United States Naval Sea Cadets Program. This program prepares you for what the military has to offer and prepares you to handle every stressful situation with ease. A lot of the things you learn in the sea cadet program proves to be very useful in helping you with the military. Once in recruit training/boot camp you will realize that all the trainings in the sea cadets really pays off. Being in the program will put you ahead of everyone else and further prepare you to take on anything thrown your way. The sacrifice of your time while in the sea cadets is very much worth it when you exceed over your peers. Without the United States Naval Sea Cadet Program I very likely would not have graduated top five out of five-hundred marines in the United States Marine Corps Boot Camp. Being a United States Naval Sea Cadet is a very honorable thing and you should never let anyone tell you otherwise... Semper Fidelis



**Honorman, PFC A.D. Milano
with his mom Kristi Milano**

Anthony Milano & Andres Serrano

Anthony Milano & Andres Serrano with their families.



Andres Serrano, ECHO COMPANY PLATOON 2107, Marine Corp Boot Camp, San Diego, CA. November 15, 2013

I joined the Sea Cadets May 15, 2011, to find out about all the military branches and which one to join. After being with the sea cadets for two years, doing many trainings and seeing the pros and cons off all the branches. I made my decision, to join the Marines, because its all the branches in one, while being "the best of the best". The sea cadets prepared me physically and mentally for what I should expect at boot camp while at the same time training my leadership abilities. Thanks to the sea cadets not only did I graduate Marine Corp boot camp but I graduated as a higher pay grade, (PFC, Private First Class). I definitely recommended the Sea cadets to all teens that are looking to join the armed forces and to enhance there leadership traits. To this day as a Marine I still go back when I get the chance and visit the sea cadets, not only to share my experiences but to give back and help out the future armed forces members.

Hello Log Line

Sector San Francisco, How is the USCG accommodating the "sequester" budget squeeze?

The USCG is adjusting well. SAR (search & rescue), unaffected; operations are more selective except 'fisheries' ops. There have been no highly trained personnel resigning as a result of the budget.

Station Vallejo, Chief Paul Wood announces that August through September they received 3 new 29 foot boats. The old ones are now gone. They are also happy to say that they have new recruits on board.

VQ3, will be enjoying their Holiday Celebration and thanks to Navy League for their 2013 donation to help make this possible.

PEARL HARBOR MEMORIAL DINNER



Jeff Hall, Myriam Clark, John Chapman, Mrs. Chapman and Rich Radigonda



Pearl Harbor Survivor of the West Virginia, hit 9 times during Pearl Harbor attacks and representatives from our adopted units



President Jim Harbuck thanking our speaker,
Rear Admiral Bonnie B. Potter, MC, USN (Ret)
She was the first female physician promoted to Admiral in the Military

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TOYS FOR TOTS—HOLIDAY LUNCHEON



Pete Gates, LTCOL Curtin, USMC, 1st Sgt. Sandoval, USMC, 'Concord Marines',



BMC Michael McGettrick & President Jim Harbuck



LTJG Bobby Johnston, USCG, USCGC Aspen, Ops Officer and President Jim Harbuck



Chief Paul Wood, USCG, Station Vallejo and Jo Romine



LCDR Paul Bowen, USN, CO, VQ3 Det. and Marge Burns

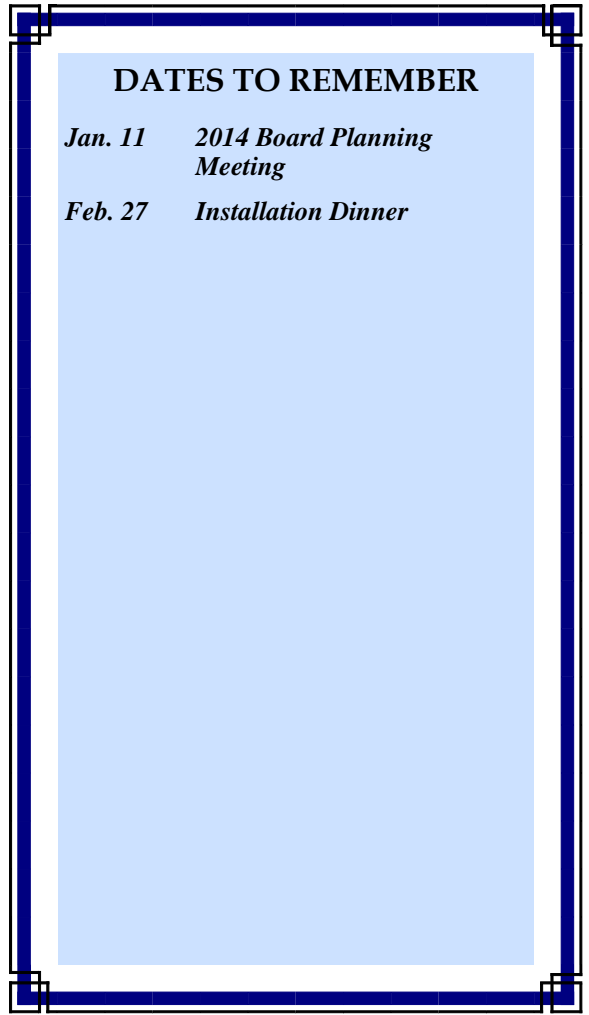
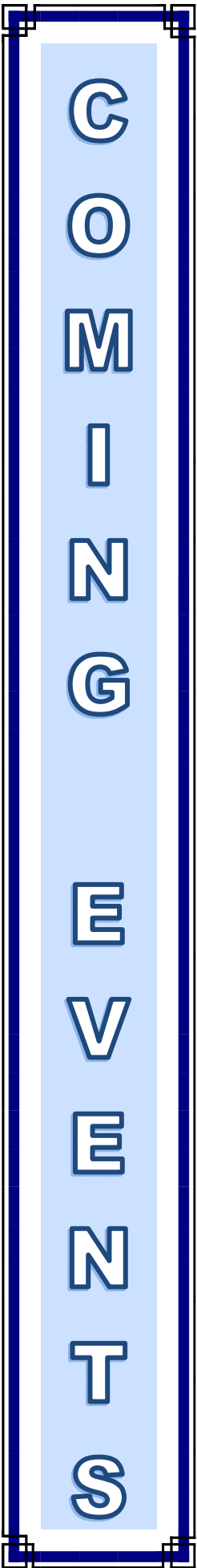
A lovely luncheon and gifts honoring our units for all that they do.

At the beautiful home of Bill and Jeanne Sharkey

Bruce Clegg and Captain Greg Stump, USCG, SF Sector Commander



Jan.	11	2014 Board Planning Meeting
Feb.	27	Installation Dinner



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