

**65 Years of Service 1957-2022**  
**Richmond Navy League Council of the**  
**United States**

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#### **Not a Complete History**

This timeline focuses on the major activities and accomplishments of the Richmond Navy League Council of the United States from its founding in 1958 to the end of 2022. Unfortunately, the Richmond Navy League records for most of the early years from 1958 to the early 80's are not available, so it is not a complete history. This history has been drawn from Richmond Navy League Council meeting minutes, annual reports, *The Lucky Bag Newsletter* and newspaper and journal articles

#### **Navy League of the United States**

The Navy League of the United States, founded in 1902 with the support of President Theodore Roosevelt, is a nonprofit civilian, educational and advocacy organization that supports America's sea services: the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and U.S.-flag Merchant Marine, their people, families, and Navy League-sponsored youth programs. The Navy League is dedicated to informing the American people and advocating that the United States of America is dependent upon strong sea services for its economic well-being and national defense. The Navy League is a worldwide organization with approximately 30,000 members and 220 councils; including more than 500 corporate and community affiliate members.

In 1957, a group of 20 World War II and Korean War veterans began laying the groundwork to establish the current Richmond Navy League Council. However, this was not the first Navy League organization in Richmond. Shortly after the Navy League's founding in 1902, many localities across the country formed local sections or chapters. The November 1906 *Navy League Journal* reported that there were 78 Navy League sections across the country. On January 19, 1909, the Matthew F. Maury section of the Navy League of the United States was organized in Richmond at a meeting held at the Commonwealth Club. H. Theodore Ellyson was named President. His son, Theodore K. Ellyson, was in the Naval Academy class of 1905 and would later become the Navy's first pilot in 1911. At the Richmond meeting the following members were enrolled: E. R. Archer, W. C. Noland, W. A. Crenshaw, Levin Jones, Charles E. Smith, K. Tucker Harrison, John M. Trice, E. H. Fergusson, Captain John A. Curtis, Barton H. Grundy, Ashton Starke, and John Taylor Wood Curtis. Captain Curtis was elected vice president, W. A. Crenshaw secretary, and W. C. Noland treasurer of the organization. (source: *The Richmond Journal*)

On the invitation of the officers of the Matthew F. Maury Section of the Navy League in Richmond the Corresponding Secretary of the Navy League of the United States attended a meeting of the Section at the Commonwealth Club, on April 20, 1911 and spoke on the work and objects of the Navy League. An interesting feature of the evening was an account by the presiding officer Captain Curtis, vice chairman of the Section, of his experience as a Confederate blockade runner during the Civil War. (source: *The Navy*, Navy League of the United States, May 1911)

Apparently the first Richmond Navy League branch failed because in 1915 the Navy League established a new branch in Richmond. H. Theodore Ellyson was again selected Chairman, with V. C. Noland Treasurer and A. B. Upshur Secretary. In December 1915, a woman's section of the Navy League of the United States was established in Washington and a branch of the society was formed in Richmond. (source: *Richmond News Leader*, 7/14/1915 and 12/15/1915)

On April 17, 1917 the Richmond branch of the Navy League of the United States, with the support of Governor Henry C. Stuart, Mayor George Ainslie and Lieutenant Commander John Grady organized a parade to recognize the United States Navy. The parade began at Capitol Square and the line of march was Grace Street to

Fifth, south to Franklin: Franklin and Monument Avenue to the Boulevard, and then to the ball park. (source: *Richmond Times Dispatch* 4/17/1917)

In June of 1917, the Women's Section of the Richmond Branch of the Navy League began knitting sweaters and other garments for Navy personnel, primarily for sailors on board the *USS Virginia*. From 1917 to 1919 the knitting club provided 2,956 sweaters, 52 pairs of socks, 350 pairs of wristlets and five convalescent rugs. (source: *Richmond Times Dispatch* 6/27/1917 and 01/19/1919)

After the end of World War I, the Richmond Navy League appears to have gone dormant. No records on Navy League activities in Richmond from 1919 to 1942 were found.

In 1942, as the United States prepared for full entry into World War II, League President Sheldon Clark of New York City called for the formation of the Women's Councils as a war measure. The Richmond community responded with the formation of the Richmond Women's Council of the Navy League of the United States. The Women's Council chief activity was the establishment of a Club for Navy servicemen and their families at the Barrett House, located at Fifth and Cary streets. The Women's Council provided dormitory sleeping quarters, as well as evening and morning meals for Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard personnel.

Again, after the end of World War II, the Richmond Navy League appears to have gone dormant. No records of Navy League activities in Richmond from 1942 to 1957 were found.

The current Richmond Council was established on January 21, 1958 when the Navy League of the United States Council charter was presented to Alex W. Parker and Judge Moscoe Huntley, Co-Presidents of the Richmond Council by Richmond Council by RADM F. Massey Hughes, Commandant Fifth Naval District at a ceremony held at the Jefferson Hotel in in Richmond.

The founding members were:

David T. Baskett	Lamont S. Bryan	John J. Covere
Walter I. Dolbeare	Hobart S. Doyle	Ralph H. Ferrell, Sr
John L. French, Sr.	W. Moscoe Huntley	Edwin Hyde
Thomas S. Lavender	Wirt P. Marks, III	R. J. Marsh, Jr.
Alex W. Parker	P. Henry Poehler	Fred G. Pollard
H. V. Schenet	W. Harry Schwarzschild, Jr.	William T. Thomas
Richard A. Velz	Jacob M. Viener	

Virginia Representative J. Vaughan Gary recognized the Richmond Council in the Congressional Record on February 21, 1963 for being selected as the Council of the Month for February 1963 by the Navy League of the United States.

The Richmond Council membership grew to over 1,400 in the early 70's. The membership dipped for several years but grew back to 1,100 members in 1990. For many years the Richmond Council was in the top 10 of the largest Councils in the Navy league of the United States. Since 1990, the membership has declined with the increased passing of World War II veterans who comprised such a significant portion of the membership. In 2022, the membership stands at 200.

### **Recognition of the Richmond Council**

The Richmond Council has received the following recognitions from the Navy League of the United States through its annual program.

- Richmond Council was one of three Councils recognized with the 1993 national Outstanding Council Award from the Navy League of the United States
- Richmond Council was one of nine councils to win the 2002 Outstanding Council Award from from the Navy league of the United States
- Richmond Council was one of ten councils to win the 2004 Outstanding Council Award from the Navy league of the United States.
- Richmond Council was one of six councils to win the 2005 Outstanding Council Award from the Navy league of the United States
- Richmond Council was one of fourteen councils to win the 2007 Outstanding Council Award from the Navy league of the United States.
- The Richmond Council received the 2021 Meritorious Council Performance Award: from the Navy League of the United States
- The Richmond Council received the 2022 Meritorious Council Performance Award: from the Navy League of the United States

### ***The Lucky Bag* Newsletter**

*The Lucky Bag* newsletter began publication in 1966 as a tool to provide regular updates and advisories to its members. In its early years of publications, the *Lucky Bag* was published about five to seven times a year. In 1986 it increased publication to 11 issues per year. *The Lucky Bag* also began recognizing sponsors whose ads were placed in the newsletter. In that first year 12 sponsor ads were placed.

### **Recognition of *The Lucky Bag* Newsletter**

*The Lucky Bag* newsletter has received the following recognitions from the Navy League of the United States through its annual program.

- *The Lucky Bag* newsletter, Clarke Willey Editor, 1988 Runner Up Large Council Donald M. Mackie Award for Newsletter Excellence.
- *The Lucky Bag* newsletter, Linwood B. Anderson Editor, 1993 Runner Up Large Donald M. Mackie Award for Newsletter Excellence.
- *The Lucky Bag* newsletter, Ed Gibbons Editor, 1994 First Place, Large Council Donald M. Mackie Award for Newsletter Excellence.
- *The Lucky Bag* newsletter, Bill McCathern Editor, received the 1997 Runner Up Large Council Donald M. Mackie Award for Newsletter Excellence.
- *The Lucky Bag* newsletter, William McCathern Editor, received the 1998 Runner Up Large Council Donald M. Mackie Award for Newsletter Excellence.
- *The Lucky Bag* newsletter, Bill McCathern Editor, received the 2003 Honorary Mention Large Council Donald M. Mackie Award for Newsletter Excellence.
- *The Lucky Bag* newsletter, Bill McCathern Editor, received the 2005 First Place Donald M. Mackie Award for Newsletter Excellence.
- *The Lucky Bag* newsletter, Bill McCathern Editor, received the 2021 Donald M. Mackie Award for Newsletter Excellence.
- *The Lucky Bag* newsletter, Bill McCathern Editor, received the 2022 Donald M. Mackie Award for Newsletter Excellence.

### **Webpage and Facebook**

The Richmond Navy League website was established in 2010, with a major revision and additions in 2016. In 2022 there were 1,156 visits to the webpage, an average of 3.2 visits per day. A Facebook page was established in 2011, which operated until 2014. The page went dormant for several years. A new Facebook page was established in March 2018. The Facebook page had 160 followers at the end of 2022.

- The Richmond Navy League Website has been recognized by the Navy League of the United States with the 2021 and 2022 Silver Donald M. Mackie Award for Website Excellence.

### **Moscoe Huntley Award**

Judge W. Moscoe Huntley was a founding member and first President of the Richmond Navy League. The prestigious W. Moscoe Huntley Award was established in 1964 to be a living tribute for his commitment to the Richmond Navy League. The award is given periodically to a member for their dedication and outstanding service to the Council over an extended period. The award is the Council's highest form of recognition. Since its inception, the award has been presented to the following individuals.

Beverly L. Briton - 1965	Richard A. Velz - 1966	Jacob M. Viener - 1967
Clyde N. Allen - 1968	Thomas Pickney - 1969	John B. Horner - 1970
Walter D. Tucker - 1971	Irvin Owings - 1973	Harold P. Straus - 1974
J. Stuart Graham, Jr. - 1975	Carl M. Linder, Jr. - 1977	Linwood R. T. Garrett - 1978
Walter F. Hyer, Jr. - 1986	Edward S. Gibbons - 1989	Howell F. "Bill" Shannon - 1989
William R. Meyer - 1990	J. Michael J. Kelleher - 1991	Carl L. Berrier - 1995
Robert J. Moore - 1998	Richard F. Hafer - 1999	William W. McCathern, Jr. - 1999
Henry J. Miller, Jr. - 2001	William C. Farmer - 2002	Charles M. Morrison - 2000
Aylett W. Goode - 2003	Martin F. Finnerty - 2006	Steven S. Zembroski - 2009
R. Milton Owen - 2015	Thomas T. Hassell, Jr. - 2019	John R. Harler - 2023

### **BUDGET AND FUND RAISING**

#### **Anchor Club**

In February of 2008, Richmond Council Navy League's Past President and longest-standing active member, Ed Gibbons, founded the *Anchor Club*. Ed, himself a Marine, got the idea from the Marine Corps League's *Leatherneck Club* to which he also belonged. The idea was to offer Council members the opportunity to go above and beyond the call of duty by contributing additional financial support for the mission to support our Sea Services and Youth Programs. By the end of 2008, there were 104 members of the *Anchor Club*. Since that time, annual membership has exceeded over 100 members every year.

The history of donations to the Anchor Club demonstrates a continuing commitment of our members to support the sea services. From 2008 to 2022, members donated \$192,823 to the Anchor Club, an average of \$12,855 per year. In 2022, 128 members donated \$15,496. Though the minimum donation to the Anchor Club is \$100, many of our members donate more than \$100. There are 23 members who have donated \$100 or more every year from 2008-2022.

Our Anchor Club donations are our primary source for supporting our adopted ships and units, care packages, Sea Cadets and nine high school JROTC programs in the Richmond area. From 2012-2022 we provided \$87,804 in support to our adopted ships, units and mailed care packages to deployed personnel. We also provided \$50,830 in support to the America Division Sea Cadets and \$10,989 to our Navy and Marine Corps JROTC units.

#### **Golf Outings Fund Raisers**

The first golf fund raiser was held on 10/23/1991 at the Fort Lee Officer's Club golf course in the Petersburg area. Spring and Fall Golf events from 1991 to 1997 were held at Fort Lee. In 1998 the annual golf event was moved to The Hollows Golf Club in Montpelier and have continued at that location. Thirty-six golf fundraisers have been held with a total of 3,800 golfers participating, an average of 106 golfers per outing. No golf outing

has ever been canceled because of bad weather. Several were rescheduled because of rain. The only cancellation was in 2020 because of COVID.

### **Lucky Bag and Golf Sponsors**

The Navy league Board of Directors decided on 2/10/1986 to begin offering sponsor ads in the *Lucky Bag* to generate funds to support the Sea Cadets and other activities. Since 1986, about 9,500 sponsor ads have been placed in the *Lucky Bag* and average of 24 ads per issue. The low was 10 ads per issue month in 2001 and the high was 33 ads per issue in 1990. In 2022, there were 19 ads per month placed in the *Lucky Bag*.

### **Virginia Commonwealth University**

The Richmond Council operated a concession stand at Virginia Commonwealth University basketball games from 2000 to 2011. This concession stand typically generated about \$6,000 per year in net income to support the Council's activities and programs.

### **Luncheon-Dinners with Guest Speakers**

The Richmond Council has hosted 74 Annual Membership and other dinner and luncheon meetings, 37 Navy Day Dinners and Luncheons and 11 Honor's Night and Sea Service Dinners and Luncheons.

The Dinners and Luncheons have included the following categories and numbers of guest speakers.

Secretary of the Navy - 4 (Paul H. Nitze - 1964, John W. Warner - 1972, W. Graham Clayton, Jr., - 1977 and 1978)

Chief of Naval Operations - 2 (ADM David L. McDonald - 1965, ADM James D. Watkins - 1985)

Commandant of the Marine Corps - 1 (General Alfred M. Gray - 1988)

Commandant Military Sealift Command - 1 (VADM Paul D. Buter - 1989)

Superintendent of the U.S. Naval Academy - 2 (RADM Virgil Hill - 1988, VADM John Ryan - 1999)

Superintendent of the Merchant Marine Academy - 1 (RADM Paul L. Krinsky - 1988)

Admirals - 36 (2 retired)

Generals - 5 (1 retired)

Governors of Virginia - 9

Members of Congress - 5 (1 Senator, 4 Representatives)

Medal of Honor Recipients - 4

### **Events and Trips**

From its beginning, the Richmond Council has hosted and supported a great variety of events and trips. Available records show that members and friends have participated in 60 major ship cruises. One memorable cruise was on the aircraft carrier *USS George Washington*, with over 400 Richmond Council members on board. They were able to observe F-14 launches from the actual forward flight deck of the ship. In 2007 during a cruise on the frigate *USS Carr*, members were allowed to fire 50 caliber machine guns from the bow of the ship. The bucket list trip was a visit to the aircraft carrier *USS Theodore Roosevelt* in 2000 by 12 members. They arrived on the ship by a small boat but left by being catapulted from the ship aboard a Greyhound supply plane. One of the members on board was 93 years old and he became the oldest person ever to be catapulted from as US Navy warship.

Members have attended 14 Ship Commissionings; participated in 67 Base, Ship, Facility and Museum tours; visited 30 Blue Angels Airshows at NAS Oceana and NAS Norfolk; attended 15 Marine Corps Evening Parades at the Marine Barracks in Washington; participated in 8 tours the Naval Academy in Annapolis; attended 6 U.S. Naval Academy football games; participated in 20 White House tours; and held 7 Members and Family Picnics.

## **SUPPORT FOR THE SEA SERVICES**

### **Adopted and Supported Ships and Units**

The objective of adopting a ship, station, or other military unit or facility is to provide continuing support to a particular Sea Service Unit, its crew, and families. Adoption implies a commitment of continuing support. Plans for such support must consider a Council's financial resources as well as the probable cooperation and willingness of the Council's members.

The Richmond Council supported many different ships in the early years and in 1987 formalized the process by Adopting the cruiser *USS Virginia* (CGN-38) in 1987.

Other adopted ships include:

1994 (1) *USS Yorktown* which replaced the *USS Virginia* when it was decommissioned.

1995 (1) *USS Normandy* which replaced the *USS Yorktown* which was assigned to a new duty station.

1996 (2) *USS Normandy* and new adopted ship *USS Carter Hall*

1999 (3) *USS Normandy*, *USS Carter Hall* and new adopted ship *USCGC Northland*

2002 (4) *USS Normandy*, *USS Carter Hall*, *USCGC Northland* and new adopted ship *USS Tornado*

2004 (3) *USS Normandy*, *USS Carter Hall* and *USCGC Northland*, *USS Tornado* assigned to a new duty Station

2006 (4) *USS Normandy*, *USS Carter Hall*, *USCGC Northland* and new adopted ship *USS Nassau*

2011 (4) *USS Normandy*, *USS Carter Hall*, *USCGC Northland* and new ship *USS Gravely* which replaced the *USS Nassau* which was assigned to a new duty station

In 2017, the Council adopted and continues to support Strike Fighter Squadron VFA-213 Blacklions, Naval Air Station Oceana.

### **Care Packages**

The Care Package program was established in 2009. Thru the Car Package the Council solicits forward-deployed APO/FPO addresses of all branches of the service to which the care packages are mailed. We have no records available for the period 2002-2012 but for the period 2013 to 2022, the Council spent \$28,913 to prepare and ship Care Packages. The peak activity period was when military personnel were serving in Afghanistan and Iraq.

## **YOUTH PROGRAMS**

### **America Division Sea Cadets supported since 1968**

The Naval Sea Cadets Corps (NSCC) was founded in 1958 by the Navy League of the United States at the request of the Department of the Navy. In 1962, the USNSCC was chartered under Title 36 of the United States Code as a non-profit youth organization with an emphasis towards the sea-going services of the United States.

The mission of the United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps is to build leaders of character by imbuing in our cadets the highest ideals of honor, respect, commitment, and service. Sea Cadets are high school aged students who participate in our advanced program. There is no requirement to have been a League Cadet prior to joining Sea Cadets. Sea Cadets wear uniforms, learn about the maritime services and a wide variety of career fields, and advance through ranks that mirror the U.S. Navy and U.S. Coast Guard.

The Richmond Council established the America Division Sea Cadets program for the Richmond area in 1968 and has been in operation for 54 years. The typical participation has been 35 cadets per year, an estimated



1,855 cadets since 1968. For the period 2012 to 2021, the Richmond Council donated \$45,830 to support the America Division, an average of \$4,590 per year.

#### Major Achievements of the America Division

- America Division Sea Cadets recognized as the Second-Best Unit in the country by the National Navy Sea Cadets Corps in 1970.
- America Division Sea Cadets won the 1978 John J. Bergen Trophy for the Outstanding Naval Sea Cadet Corps Unit. The award was presented by Governor John Dalton 12/21/1978.
- America Division Sea Cadet Midshipman David L. Wilson won the 1978 Walter R. Radcliff Memorial Scholarship Award for the Outstanding Sea Cadet in the nation.
- America Division Sea Cadets won the 1998 John J. Bergen Trophy for the Outstanding Naval Sea Cadet Corps Unit in the country.
- America Division Sea Cadets received the 2009 Navy League of Canada Challenge Award for the most improved Naval Sea Cadet Corps unit finishing in the top ten of the National Sea Cadets Corps units in the nation.
- Cadet Chief Petty Officer Pellegrino received the 2013 Willis E. Reed Award for National Sea Cadet Corps Cadet of the Year.  
Warrant Officer Jennifer Weggen received the 2013 Nicholas Brango Officer of the Year Award for Inspirational Leadership while serving as Commanding Officer of the America Division.
- Warrant Officer Gary Riffle, Sr. received the 2014 Nicholas Brango Officer of the Year Award for Inspirational Leadership while serving as Executive Officer of the America Division.
- Chief Petty Officer Tamera Riffle received the 2018 Stockholm College scholarship. She sponsored by the National Navy Sea Cadets. The scholarship provided \$2,500 per year over four years.
- America Division Sea Cadets was runner-up out of 300 units in 2019 for the John J. Bergen trophy.
- America Division Sea Cadets was runner-up out of 300 units in 2019 for the Most improved Unit in the Nation.
- America Division Sea Cadets was ranked 12 out of 300 units in 2019 for the Recruiting and Retention award.

#### **Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) supported since 1985**

The Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) program was established by Public Law in 1964 and may be found in Title 10, U.S. Code, Chapter 102. The JROTC program prepares high school students for leadership roles while making them aware of their rights, responsibilities, and privileges as American citizens. It is a stimulus for promoting graduation from high school, and it provides instruction and rewarding opportunities that will benefit the student, community, and Nation. JROTC teaches young men and women the kind of self-discipline, self-confidence, and leadership skills that can help them successfully meet the challenges of adulthood. This program is conducted at accredited secondary schools throughout the Nation, by instructors who are retired Navy, Army, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard officers and enlisted personnel.

The Richmond Council supports nine Richmond area Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) programs, five Navy and four Marine Corps. Our participation began with Highland Springs High School which implemented a Marine Corps JROTC program 1985. In 1993, Varina High School implemented the first Richmond area Navy JROTC program. The current Navy and Marine Corps JROTC programs supported by the Richmond Council and their start dates are:

1985 Highland Springs High School, Marine Corps  
1993 Varina High School, Navy  
Hermitage High School, Marine Corps

Henrico High School, Navy  
1996 J.R. Tucker High School, Marine Corps  
2001 Lee Davis (now Mechanicsville) High School, Navy  
2002 Patrick Henry High School, Navy  
2009 James River High School, Navy  
2014 Goochland High School, Marine Corps

Currently about 700 cadets per year participate in these nine Richmond area JROTC programs. It is estimated that an average of 106 cadets per school per year have participated and that an estimated 22,785 cadets have participated since 1985. There is a Department of Defense requirement that JROTC programs must maintain at least 100 cadets to continue to be certified to operate.

For the period from 2012-2021 the Richmond Council provided \$9,289 to support the nine JROTC programs. That support includes \$100 scholarships awarded to the Cadet of the Year for each high school who is a senior. The Richmond Navy League also provides the Theodore Roosevelt Award to a student of any grade rank that has exhibited excellence as a cadet. The award includes a certificate, the Roosevelt Medal and Ribbon. This award is considered very prestigious in the JROTC community.

### **Richmond Navy League Council History Timeline 1957 - 2022**

These are the yearly activities and accomplishments of the Richmond Navy League Council since its founding.

#### **1957**

- Co-Presidents - W. Moscoe Huntley and Alex W. Parker
- Members - 20

#### **1958**

- President - Jacob M. Viener
- Members - not available
- Richmond Council established at a ceremony with 20 founding members; the Council charter was presented by RADM F. Massey Hughes, Commandant Fifth Naval District, 01/21/1958
- *USS Loeser* (DE-630) ceremony for assignment to the Richmond Navy Reserve unit, 9/21/1958
- *USS Loeser* (DE-680) cruise Richmond to Norfolk, Governor Lindsay Almond and 20 Richmond Navy League members aboard, 11/27/1958

#### **1959**

- President - Jacob M. Viener
- Members - not available
- National Navy League President Frank G. Jameson spoke before a meeting of the Richmond Council 10/23/1959.
- Navy League Night at the State Theatre in downtown Richmond for a screening of the movie *The Battle of the Coral Sea*, 11/8/1959

#### **1960**

- President - Lamont S. Bryan
- Members - not available
- Annual Membership Meeting, speaker George C. Gilman, executive assistant to the President of the Navy League of the United States, Richmond Quartermaster Depot, 4/7/1960
- Richmond Quartermaster Depot tour and dinner meeting, speaker Maj Gen Victor J. McLaughlin, 4/6/1960

- Richmond Navy Reserve Officer Graduation (67 new officers) hosted by the Navy and the Richmond Council, 6/15/1960
- Luncheon, speaker RADM Thomas Burrowes, Commander Service Forces, Atlantic Fleet 9/9/1960
- Navy Day Luncheon and Outstanding Richmond Naval Reservist of the Year Award Ceremony, speaker ADM James L. Holloway, Jr., 10/25/1960

#### **1961**

- President - Richard A. Velz  
No other information available

#### **1962**

- President - Richard A. Velz
- Members - not available
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker RADM Wallis F. Petersen, Commandant Fifth Naval District, 10/23/1962 (400 participants)
- Governor Albertus Harris proclaims 10/27/1962 as Navy Day in Virginia at an event sponsored by the Richmond Navy League, who made the Governor an Honorary Member.
- Special performance of the play "Mister Roberts" at a local theater sponsored by the Richmond Council.

#### **1963**

- President - P. Henry Poehler
- Members - 500
- RNL recognized in the Congressional Record for 02/21/1963 by Virginia Representative J. Vaughan Gary for being selected as the Council of the Month for February 1963 by the Navy League of the United States.
- "Challenge to America" lecture and film, speaker CAPT William A. Twitchell, 5/27/1963
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Victor M. Longstreet, Navy Reserve Richmond Chief Petty Officer of the Year Award, 01/30/1963
- RNL began investigating the sponsorship of a Sea Cadet Program
- *USS Roberts* (DE-749) ship visit in Norfolk, tour of Norfolk Navy Base and dinner at Officer's Club, 9/17/1963 (85 participants)
- Richmond Navy league members attended the Army-Navy Football Game in Philadelphia, starting a tradition, 12/7/1963

#### **1964**

- President - P. Henry Poehler
- Members - not available
- Luncheon, speaker VADM John S. McCain, Jr., Commander Amphibious Force Atlantic, 2/26/1964
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker Paul H. Nitze, Secretary of the Navy, RADM E. B. Taylor presented the Fifth Naval District Reservist of the Year Award, 10/29/1964

#### **1965**

- President - Eugene W McCaul
- Members - not available
- *USS Little* (APD-60) named after Richmonder William Porter Liddle KIA in 1942, visit 8/6/1965
- Navy Day Luncheon and Navy Reservists of the Year Award, speaker ADM David L. McDonald, Chief of Naval Operations, 10/19/1965

#### **1966**

- President - Clyde N. Allen
- Members - not available
- *The Lucky Bag* Newsletter begins publication

- Dinner and Retirement Ceremony for RADM Edmond Taylor, Commandant Fifth Naval District, speaker Morgan Fitch, President Navy League of the United States, 2/27/1966
- *USS Austin* (LPD-4) cruise Yorktown to Portsmouth, 4/21/1966 (200 participants)
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker ADM Thomas H. Moorer, Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet 10/24/1966

#### **1967**

- President - Clyde N. Allen
- Members - not available
- *Lucky Bag*, 6 issues published
- *USS Randolph* (CVS-15) tour and cruise, Norfolk, 4/27/1967 (350 participants)
- Navy Day Luncheon and Richmond Naval Reservist of the Year Award, speaker Lt. Gen. James M. Master, Commandant Marine Corps School Quantico, 10/24/1967

#### **1968**

- President - Clyde N. Allen
- Members - 1,200
- *Lucky Bag*, 6 issues published
- America Division Sea Cadets unit, sponsored by the Richmond Council, established
- *USS Guam* (LPH-9) and Little Creek Naval Amphibious Base tour and cruise, 4/11/1968 (375 participants)
- University of Virginia vs U.S Naval Academy football game at Annapolis, 10/26/1968 (275 participants - Navy League members and University of Virginia alumni)

#### **1969**

- President - Clyde N. Allen
- Members - not available
- *Lucky Bag*, 6 issues published
- *USS Boxer* (LPH-4) and Little Creek Naval Amphibious Base tours 4/23/1969 (150 participants)
- The Richmond Council submitted a request to the Secretary of the Navy in September that a ship be named for the City of Richmond, the request was not successful.
- Navy Day Luncheon and Richmond Naval Reservist of the Year Award, speaker VADM Peter M. Compton, Royal Navy, Deputy Supreme Allied Commander NATO 10/21/1969
- University of Virginia vs. U.S. Naval Academy football game at Annapolis, 10/25/1969 (68 participants)

#### **1970**

- President - Clyde N. Allen
- Members - not available
- *Lucky Bag*, 6 issues published
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 43
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker RADM Malcolm W. Cable, Director Planning and Program Division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, 10/26/1970
- Pearl Harbor Day Remembrance Dinner, America Division Sea Cadet of the Year awarded to Sumpter T. Priddy, III, 12/7/1970

#### **1971**

- President - Beverly L. Britton
- Members - 1,412  
One of the largest Navy League Council of 307 Councils worldwide.
- *Lucky Bag*, 6 issues published
- *USS Independence* (CVA-60) cruise June 1971 (500 participants)

- Four bus-loads of Richmond Council members and friends attended the Army-Navy Football Game in Philadelphia, 11/27/1971

## **1972**

- President - Beverly L. Britton
- Members - 1,300
- *Lucky Bag*, 6 issues published
- Salute to the Reserves Ceremony at the Mosque hosted by the Richmond Navy League. Awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year. Music provided by the U.S. Navy Show Band, 1/30/1972.
- *USCGC Cherokee* cruise, 6/28/1972 (45 participants)
- *USCGC Cherokee* cruise, 8/30/1972 (second cruise)
- Richmond Council presented the George Washington Medal of Honor by the Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge for a newspaper advertisement entitled "Wake Up America"
- Navy Day Luncheon, speakers John W. Warner, Secretary of the Navy, and Governor Linwood Holton, 10/16/1972

## **1973**

- President - Jacob M. Viener
- Members - 1,300
- *Lucky Bag*, 6 issues published
- The Richmond Navy League Board of Directors approved enrollment of women members, 7/24/1973
- U. S. Marine Corps Base Quantico tour and Richmond Navy League Annual Meeting, 04/26/1973 (100 participants)
- *USS Newport* (LST-1179 cruise, Little Creek, 8/1/1972 (175 participants)
- *USS Newport* (LST-1179 cruise, Little Creek, 8/30/1972 (150 participants)

## **1974**

- President - Carl L. Linder, Jr.
- Members - not available
- *Lucky Bag*, 6 issues published
- Honors Day Celebration, speaker RADM R. B. McClinton, Deputy Commander of Navy Recruiting, The Mosque-Richmond, special guest LCDR Paul Galanti, awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year. Music provided by Naval Academy Band, 2/2/1974
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker ADM Worth H. Bagley, Vice Chief of Naval Operation, 10/14/1974

## **1975**

- President - Carl L. Linder, Jr.
- Members - 723
- *Lucky Bag*, 6 issues published
- America Division Sea Cadets recognized as the Second-Best Unit in the country by the National Navy Sea Cadets Corps.
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker VADM John G. Finneran, 10/17/1975

## **1976**

- President - Walter D. Tucker
- Members - 723
- *Lucky Bag*, 6 issues published
- Honors Day Dinner, awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year. Defense General Supply Center, 2/9/1976 (125 participants)

- Annual Membership Meeting, Coast Guard Station Yorktown, Naval Weapons Station tours and cruise on USCGC Reliance, 4/28/1976
- Richmond premiere of the film *Midway* sponsored by the Richmond Navy League, 6/17/1976
- *USS Virginia* (CGN-38) Commissioning Ceremony, Norfolk, 9/11/1976

## 1977

- President - William E. Baker
- Members - 526
- *Lucky Bag*, 6 issues published
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 33
- Dave Wilson, America Division Sea Cadets Commander, 10/29/1977 Richmond Times Dispatch Since 1969 about 500 cadets have gone through the program. Nine have gone to the Naval Academy and 180 cadets have enlisted in the Navy. The group opened to girls in 1971.
- Visit to Norfolk to tour the cruise ship *TSS Carnivale* for a pre-cruise tour, also visited *USS Biddle* (DDG-5) and *USS Mitscher* (DDG-35) and dinner at the Naval Amphibious Base Little Creek Officers Club 5/25/1977 (134 participants)
- *USS Dwight D. Eisenhower* Commissioning Ceremony, Norfolk, 10/11/1977
- Navy Day Dinner, speaker W. Graham Claytor, Jr., Secretary of the Navy, 10/25/1977

## 1978

- President - Sumpter Priddy, Jr.
- Members - not available
- *Lucky Bag*, 4 issues published
- America Division Sea Cadets members -36
- America Division Sea Cadets won the 1978 John J. Bergen Trophy for the Outstanding Naval Sea Cadet Corps Unit in the country by the National Navy Sea Cadets Corps. The award was presented by Governor John Dalton 12/21/1978.
- America Division Sea Cadet Midshipman David L. Wilson won the 1978 Walter R. Radcliff Memorial Scholarship Award for being the Outstanding Sea Cadet in the Nation from National Navy Sea Cadets Corps.
- President Sumpter Priddy stated that he planned to talk to the Council of Higher Education about establishing Sea Cadet Programs in local high schools (10/4/1978)
- Honor's Day Luncheon and Annual Membership Meeting, awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year. 3/29/1978
- Oceana Naval Air Station Air Show and Officer's Club lunch, 5/17/1978 (105 participants)
- Richmond Council Navy League Seaman of the Year Award presented to FTM2 Timothy A. Wilson. The award was presented to Cadet Wilson by Governor John Dalton at a ceremony in the Governor's Office on 07/26/1978.
- U.S. Naval Academy vs University of Virginia Football Game, Charlottesville, bus trip 09/16/1978
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker H. W. Graham, Secretary of the Navy, 10/16/1978

## 1979

- President - Sumpter Priddy, Jr.
- Members - not available
- *Lucky Bag*, 6 issues published
- Honor's Day Luncheon and Annual Membership Meeting 3/28/1979
- Dinner to recognize Commander Paul Galanti and his wife for his support of the Navy League while serving as the Commanding Officer of the Navy Recruiting Office in Richmond, Commonwealth Club, 5/8/1979

- *USS Virginia* (CGN-38) tour, 9/5/1979
- Navy Day Luncheon, 10/11/1979

#### **1980**

- President - J. Russell Berkness
- Members - 408
- *Lucky Bag*, 6 issues published
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 36
- *USS Mount Whitney* (LCC-20) cruise, 7/11/1980 (50 participants)
- Amphibious Naval Base Little Creek tour, 9/4/1980
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker VADM Staser Holcomb, 10/14/1980

#### **1981**

- President - R. McLean Whittet, Jr,
- Members - not available
- *Lucky Bag*, 6 issues published
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$1,415 / Income - \$3,309 / Expenses - \$2,185 / Ending Balance - \$2,539
- *USS Virginia* (CGN-38) spring cruise
- IRS granted the Richmond Council 501 (c (3) non-profit tax status, 9/17/1981
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker RADM Bruce Newell, Chief of Naval Information, 10/13/1981
- Fall Picnic, Hanover Ruritan Park, 9/24/1981

#### **1982**

- President - R. McLean Whittet, Jr,
- Members - 450
- *Lucky Bag*, 6 issues published
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 28
- Winter Luncheon, speaker CAPT Charles J. Smith, Commanding Officer *USS California*, 2/17/1982
- Annual Membership Meeting and Honor's Night awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year. 3/29/1982 (80 participants)
- Marine Corps Base Quantico visit, 4/29/1982
- Spring Luncheon, speaker Earl Adams, Newport News Shipbuilding, 6/16/1982
- Fall Picnic, Hanover Ruritan Park, 9/23/1982
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker Commodore John S. Disher, Commandant Naval District Washington, 10/12/1982
- Fall Luncheon and *USS Virginia* Sailor of the Year Award, speaker Governor Charles Robb, 11/16/1982

#### **1983**

- President - Walter F. Hyer
- Members - not available
- *Lucky Bag*, 7 issues published
- Annual Membership Meeting and Honor's Night awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year, 3/21/1983
- U.S. Naval Academy tour, 4/20/1983
- Annual Picnic, Deep Run Hunt Club, 09/22/1983 (102 participants)
- Summer Luncheon, 6/22/1983
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker Commodore David P. Donohue, Fleet Maintenance Officer, Atlantic Fleet, 10/11/1983
- Fall Luncheon, Speaker RADM Richard E. Rumble (RET), 11/17/1983

- U.S. Coast Guard Virginia Lifeboat Stations marker sponsored and placed by the Richmond Council on the Virginia Beach Boardwalk just south of 24th Street

## **1984**

- President - Walter F. Hyer
- Members - 465
- *Lucky Bag*, 7 issues published
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$2,812 / Income - \$6,965 / Expenses - \$5,446 / Ending Balance - \$1,520
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 35
- Annual Membership Meeting and Honors Night Dinner, speaker Charles S. Robb, Governor of Virginia awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year, 3/28/1984 (115 participants)
- Newport News Shipbuilding, Yorktown Naval Weapons Station and Mariners' Museum tours and dinner, 4/19/1984 (125 participants)
- Annual Picnic Deep Run Hunt Club, 09/27/1984
- Navy Day Dinner, speaker John Lehman, Secretary of the Navy 10/09/1984 (600 participants)
- Battle of Midway Luncheon, 12/7/1984 (100 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration: Richmond Council raises a 20' X 30' American flag on a 65 foot, \$28,600 flag pole installed by VEPCO atop it is 22 story headquarters building in downtown Richmond

## **1985**

- Presidents - Max A. Coreth and Edward S. Gibbons
- Members - 559
- *Lucky Bag*, 6 issues published
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$1,262 / Income - \$21,187 / Expenses - \$16,549 / Ending Balance - \$4,638
- JROTC support 1 for high school (1 Marines) Hermitage High School established the first Marine Corps JROTC unit in the Richmond area
- Annual Membership Meeting and Honors Night Dinner, speaker RADM George W. Davis, Deputy Commander for Surface Ships, Naval Sea Systems Command, awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year. 3/27/1985
- Spring Luncheon, speaker CAPT Gerald E. Gneckow, Commanding Officer USS Iowa (BB-61), 5/23/1985
- Navy Museum Washington Navy Yard and Pentagon tour and luncheon, 8/18/1985 (120 participants)
- *USS Iowa* (BB-61) visit and cruise, 8/16/1985 (300 participants)
- *USS Hercules* (PHM-2) hydrofoil ship, 08/23-26/1985, Intermediate Terminal
- Dinner at the Army-Navy Country Club Washington, DC 4/18/1985
- Fall Members Picnic, Deep Run Hun Club, 9/26/1985 (120 participants)
- Navy vs. University of Virginia Football Outing, Charlottesville, 9/28/1985 (50 participants)
- Navy Day Dinner, speaker ADM James D. Watkins, Chief of Naval Operations, 10/15/1985 (400 participants)
- Fall Luncheon, 11/21/1985
- Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration and Luncheon, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/1985

## **1986**

- President - Edward S. Gibbons
- Members - 760
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, Lucky Bag sponsors - 12
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 22
- JROTC support 1 for high school (1 Marines)
- *USS Virginia* (CGN-38) selected as the Richmond Council's first Adopted Ship



- Annual Membership Meeting, 3/12/1986 (132 participants)  
The Navy league Board of Directors decided on 2/10/1986 to begin offering sponsor ads in the *Lucky Bag* to generate funds to support the Sea Cadets.
- Amphibious Base Little Creek tour, 4/17/1986 (100 participants)
- *USS Virginia* (CGN-38) Cruise Yorktown to Norfolk 05/10/1986 (160 participants)
- Evening Parade Marine Corps Barracks Washington, DC, 5/23/1986
- Naval History Lecture - Dr. E. B. Potter, former Naval History Instructor, US Naval Academy, 6/11/1986 (60 participants)
- *USS Iowa* (BB-61) Cruise Yorktown to Norfolk 08/17/1986
- Richmond Navy League Annual Picnic, Bellwood Defense General Supply Center, 09/25/1986 (100 participants)
- Richmond Council Seaman of the Year Award presented by Governor and Richmond Navy League member Gerald Baliles, 10/14/1986
- Navy Day Luncheon, 10/14/1986
- *USS Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN-71) Commissioning, Norfolk, 10/25/1986, (150 participants)
- Luncheon, speaker ADM Frank B. Kelso, Commander in Chief, Atlantic Fleet, 10/20/1986
- *USS Ponce* (LPD-15) cruise, 12/1/1986 (100 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration, 12/7/1986
- White House Christmas Tour, 12/17/1986

## 1987

- President - Patrick M. Hay
- Members - 985 (10<sup>th</sup> largest Council in the country)
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 15
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 35
- JROTC support 1 for high school (1 Marines)
- Annual Membership Meeting, Willow Oaks Country Club, 3/18/1987
- Salute the Marines Luncheon, speaker Brigadier General J. R. Joy, Headquarters Marine Corps, 4/16/1987
- Spring Luncheon, speaker RADM Arlington F. Campbell, Commander Naval Communications Command, 4/28/1987 (75 participants)
- *USS Virginia* (CGN-38) cruise Yorktown to Norfolk 05/12/1987
- Evening Parade Marine Corps Barracks, Washington, DC 05/22/1987
- *USS Albany* (SSN-753) Launching Ceremony Newport News Shipbuilding 06/13/1987
- Summer Luncheon, speaker RADM William Gene Sizemore, USN-RET, 7/16/1987
- Night Shoot Demonstration USMC Base Quantico 8/18/1987 (40 participants)
- *USS Hercules* (PHM-2) hydrofoil ship, visit Richmond Intermediate Terminal, 09/04/1987
- Fall Luncheon, speaker Rep. Thomas J. Bliley, 9/11/1987 (200 participants)
- Blue Angels Air Show Naval Air Station Oceana, 9/19/1987 (150 participants)
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker Admiral Frank Kelso, Commander in Chief, Atlantic Fleet, 10/6/1987
- Dedication of the Navy Memorial, Washington, DC, 10/9/1987
- Governor Gerald Baliles presented the *USS Virginia* (CGN-38) Sailor of the Year at a ceremony on the Governor's Office, 12/1/1987
- Pearl Harbor Day Observance and Dinner, speaker ADM Stanley B. Arthur, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/1987 (200 participants)
- White House Christmas Tour 12/16/1987

## 1988

- President - Patrick M. Hay
- Members - 1,000 (8th largest Council in the country)
- *Lucky Bag*, 12 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 22  
*Lucky Bag* newsletter, Clarke Willey Editor, awarded the 1988 Runner Up Large Council Donald M. Mackie Award for newsletter excellence by the Navy League of the United States.
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$ 4,874 / Income - \$18,509 / Expenses - \$19,706 / Ending Balance - \$3,677
- America Division Sea Cadets - 32
- JROTC support 1 for high school (1 Marines)
- Sponsored Ship - USS Virginia (CGN-18)
- Annual Membership Meeting, Bellwood Officer's Club 1/14/1988
- Luncheon: speaker General Alfred M. Gray, Commandant of the Marine Corps, 02/11/1988 (400 participants, including 120 Marine Corps JROTC Cadets from Highland Springs High School)
- Honors Night, 3/23/1988, speaker Commander Paul Galanti, awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year.
- Luncheon speaker, RADM Paul L. Krinsky, Superintendent U. S. Merchant Marine Academy 05/18/1988 (60 participants)
- Naval Surface Warfare Center Dahlgren tour, 5/7/1988 (75 participants)
- Ceremony to dedicate the naming of the Admiral Richard E. Byrd terminal at Richmond International Airport, an initiative spearheaded lead by the Richmond Navy League, 9/27/1988
- Night Shoot Marine Corps Base Quantico, 7/14/1988 (65 participants)
- Coast Guard Day Luncheon, speaker RADM Allen D. Breed, Commander Fifth Coast Guard District, 8/3/1988
- Navy Summer Show, Washington, DC, 8/31/1988 (86 participants)
- Soviet Sea Power Presentation, 9/ 7/1988 (300 participants)
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 09/16/1988 (40 participants)
- *USS Virginia* (CGN-38) cruise Yorktown to Norfolk 09/23/1988 (200 participants)
- First Annual America Division Sea Cadets Parents Day Picnic 09/23/1988
- Navy Day Celebration in partnership with Downtown Rotary and Kiwanis Club, guest Speaker RADM Virgil Hill, Superintendent US Naval Academy, 10/11/1988 (400 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration

## 1989

- President - H. F. "Bill" Shannon, Jr.
- Members - 1,047
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 26
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 42
- JROTC support 1 for high school (1 Marines)
- Sponsored Ship - USS Virginia (CGN-18)
- Annual Membership Meeting, 1/17/1989
- Honors Night, speaker Col. Carl L. Sitter, awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year. (USMC-RET) 3/23/1989
- *USS Saipan* (LHA-2) & *USS Mount Whitney* (LCC-20) Tour, Norfolk, 4/14/1989 (256 participants)
- U.S. Naval Academy Tour, 4/19/1989 (46 participants)
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 4/15/1989 (200 participants)

- Merchant Marine Day Luncheon, speaker VADM Paul D. Buter, Commandant Military Sealift Command, 05/25/1989
- *USS Wasp* (LHD-1) Commissioning Ceremony, Norfolk, 07/29/1989 (122 participants)
- Navy Summer Show, Washington, DC, 8/23/1989
- Navy League Day at The Diamond in Richmond to support the Sea Cadets, 8/27/1989
- Coast Guard Luncheon, speaker VADM Paul A. Welling, Commander, Fifth Coast Guard District 9/28/1989 (65 participants)
- *USS Abraham Lincoln* (CVN-72) Commissioning, Norfolk 11/11/1989
- Pearl Harbor Day Observance, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/1989
- White House Christmas Tour 12/09/1989

## 1990

- President - Patrick M. Hay
- Members - 1,100
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 33
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 30
- JROTC support 1 for high school (1 Marines)
- Sponsored Ship - *USS Virginia* (CGN-38)
- Dawn Ruhlen, America Division Sea Cadet sponsored by the Richmond Council, was selected as the National Naval Sea Cadet of the Year.
- Annual Membership Meeting, 1/16/1990
- Honors Night and Annual Membership Meeting, speaker CAPT Gary M. Voorheis, Commanding Officer, *USS Virginia* (CGN-38), awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year. 3/14/1990
- Commemoration of the Battle of Midway Luncheon, speaker Rep. Thomas Bliley 06/03/1990
- Evening Parade, Marine Corps Barracks, Washington, DC 08/15/1990
- Tour Marine Corps Base Quantico 08/16/1990
- Naval Air Station Oceana Blue Angels Air Show 09/14/1990
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker VADM Jack Ready, 10/16/90
- Navy vs. University of Virginia Football Game, Charlottesville, 09/15/1990 (45 participants)
- Tour Amphibious Base Little Creek, 44 members 11/14/1990
- Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration 12/07/1990
- White House Christmas Tour 12/012/1990

## 1991

- President - L. Peter Wren
- Members - 1,044
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 13
- America Division Sea Cadets members 16
- JROTC support 1 for high school (1 Marines)
- Sponsored Ship - *USS Virginia* (CGN-38) our first formally Adopted Ship, 04/12/1991
- IRS 501c3 non-profit tax status awarded 09/19/199
- Annual Membership Meeting, 1/15/1991
- Fort Monroe trip, 3/27/1991 (45 participants)
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 04/19/1991 (110 participants)
- Maritime Services Luncheon, 5/23/1991 (80 participants)
- Evening Parade, Marine Corps Barracks, Washington, DC, 06/14/1991 (88 participants)
- First Fall Golf Outing, Fort Lee, 10/23/1991
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker RADM Thomas A. Brooks

- Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration 12/07/1991
- White House Christmas Tour 12/12/1991

## 1992

- President - L. Peter Wren
- Members - 905, \$12 local annual local dues implemented
- *Lucky Bag*, 12 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors -27
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$3,346 / Income - \$52,189 / Expenses - \$49,200/ Ending Balance - \$6,335
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 20
- JROTC support 1 for high school (1 Marines)
- Sponsored Ship - *USS Virginia* (CGN-38)
- Honor's Night awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year. The Sailor of the Year Award presented by Governor Douglas Wilder to IS1 Timothy Lawlor at a ceremony in the Governor's Office with Richmond Council members in attendance, 3/24/1992.
- US Naval Academy tour, 4/8/1992 (40 participants)
- USAF Thunderbirds Air Show, Naval Air station Norfolk, 4/24/1992
- Nuclear submarine visit, 4/22/1992
- Spring Golf Outing Ft. Lee, 5/06/1992 (72 players)
- Marine Corps Base Quantico tour - Live Fire demonstration, 6/25/1992
- Commissioning Ceremony *USS George Washington* (CVN-73) Norfolk, 07/04/1992 (109 participants)
- Fall Golf Outing Ft. Lee 10/07/1992
- Evening Parade Marine Corps Barracks, Washington, DC, 8/14/1992
- *USS Virginia* (CGN-38) cruise Norfolk 09/22/1992 (110 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration 12/07/1992
- White House Christmas Tour, 12/10/1992

## 1993

- President - Martin F. Finnerty
- Members - 895
- *Lucky Bag*, 12 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 22
- *Lucky Bag* newsletter, Linwood B. Anderson Editor, awarded a 1993 Runner Up Large Council Donald M. Mackie Award for newsletter excellence by the Navy League of the United States.
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$6,335 /Expenses - \$57,847 / Income - \$57,864 /Ending Balance - \$6,318
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 37
- JROTC support 3 for high schools (1 Navy and 2 Marines) Varina High School established the first Navy JROTC unit in the Richmond area and Hermitage added a new Marine Corps unit
- Sponsored Ship - *USS Virginia*
- Annual Membership Meeting, 1/12/1993
- Honors Night Dinner with awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year and the Sailor of the Year Award was presented by Governor Douglas Wilder to MM1 Craig Sadrack (*USS Virginia*) at a ceremony in the Governor's Office with Richmond Council members in attendance, 04/13/1993
- Mt. Vernon and Arlington National Cemetery Tour 4/16/1993
- Spring Golf Outing Fort Lee, 05/5/1993 (80 players)
- *USS Virginia* (CGN-38) Cruise Norfolk to Annapolis 05/20/1993 (170 participants)
- *USS George Washington* (CVN-73) Cruise Norfolk 08/03/1993 (270 participants)
- JROTC Cruise *USS Virginia*, 12/14/1993 (112 America Division Sea Cadets)
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 09/19/1993 (100 participants)

- Fall Golf Outing Fort Lee, 09/22/1993 (72 players, 15 sponsors)
- Navy Day Celebration Luncheon, speaker RADM Eugen B. Fluckey, Medal of Honor Recipient and other Special Guests Mrs. Fran Nimitz-Johns, granddaughter of Admiral Chester Nimitz and additional Medal of Honor Recipients (USN Ret), CAPT Dick Neman (USA Ret), COL Van T Barfoot (USA Ret) and COL Carl L. Sitter (USMC Ret). Music provided by the USMC Band - Quantico. 10/12/1993.
- Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration 12/07/1993
- White House Christmas Tour, 12/14/1993

## 1994

- President - Martin F. Finnerty
- Members - 816
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 21
- *Lucky Bag* newsletter, Ed Gibbons Editor, awarded the 1994 First Place, Large Council Donald M. Mackie award for newsletter excellence by the Navy League of the United States.
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$12,148 / Income - \$24,044 / Expenses - \$25,162 /Ending Balance - \$15,276
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 26
- JROTC support 3 for high schools (1 Navy and 2 Marines)
- Adopted Ship *USS Virginia* (CGN-38) Decommissioning Ceremony, Norfolk, 02/26/1994  
*USS Yorktown* (CG-48) new Adopted Ship 11/18/1994
- Richmond Council one of three Councils recognized with the 1993 national Outstanding Council Award from the Navy League of the United States
- Annual Membership Meeting, Willow Oaks Country Club, 1/11/1994 (60 participants)
- Merchant Marine Luncheon, speaker John W. Snow, CEO of CSX, 2/22/1994
- Council's Honors Night Dinner, speaker CAPT Eugen B. "Red" McDaniel, USN-RET awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year. The the Sailor of the Year Award was presented by Governor George Allen to Machinist Mate 1<sup>st</sup> Class Jamie LaPage in the Governor's Office with Richmond Council members in attendance, 3/22/1994.
- Thunderbirds Air Show Naval Air Station Norfolk, 4/22/1994
- Evening Parade, Marine Corps Barracks Washington, 5/20/1994
- Spring Golf Outing Fort Lee 05/11/1994 (101 players)
- D-Day 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner, 6/7/1994
- USMC Drill Team and Drum and Bugle Corps performance at Highland Springs High School 08/19/1994
- Fall Golf Outing Fort Lee 09/14/1994 (106 players)
- *USS Virginia* ship's bell placed in the care of the Richmond Council at a ceremony on the State Capitol grounds, Governor George Allen who participated in the event was made an honorary member of the Richmond Council 10/13/1994
- Navy DAY Luncheon, Speaker W.R. Pat Phillips, Chairman of the Board, Newport News Shipbuilding, 10/18/1994
- Newport News Shipbuilding and Ghost Fleet Tour, 10/27/1994 (90 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Day Ceremony and Dinner, speaker CAPT Robert C. Klosterman, Virginia War Memorial, 12/07/1994
- White House Christmas Tour, 12/9/1994 (45 participants)

## 1995

- President - Robert J. Moore
- Members - 800 (local dues increased from \$12 to \$15)
- *Lucky Bag*, 9 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 18

- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$8,975 /Income - \$35,879 / Expenses - \$28,897 /Ending Balance - \$6,982
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 34
- Sea Cadet PO Fatima A. Kirby was one of five America Division Sea Cadets selected from over 9,000 Sea Cadets to represent the United States as exchange cadets to Belgium and the Netherlands for summer 1995.
- Jeffrey Lastfogel, former America Division Sea Cadet graduated from the United States Naval Academy 5/31/1995
- JROTC support - 530 cadets in 4 high school programs (2 Navy and 2 Marines)
- New Adopted Ship, *USS Normandy*, (CG-60), 10/10/1995
- Annual Membership Meeting, Willow Oaks Country Club, 01/10/1995 (100 participants)
- 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Iwo Jima Invasion Dinner, 02/21/1995 (179 participants)
- Honor's Night Dinner with Sailor of the Year Award and other awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year, 03/25/1995.
- Naval Air Station Norfolk Air Show and USS Yorktown (CG-48) visit, 4/28/1995
- Spring Golf Outing Ft. Lee, 5/24/1995 (111 players)
- Outstanding Navy and Marine Recruiters Recognition Awards Dinner, 8/1/1995
- Victory Over Japan 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Luncheon, 08/29/1995 (198 participants)
- Fall Golf Outing Ft. Lee, 9/20/1995 (116 players)
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 9/22/1995 (85 participants)
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker VADM Richard C. Allen, 10/10/1995 (375 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Remembrance, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/1995
- *USS Stennis* (CVN-74) Commissioning, Norfolk, 12/9/1995 (120 participants)
- White House Christmas Tour, 12/12/1995 (80 participants)

## 1996

- President - Robert J. Moore
- Members - 799
- *Lucky Bag*, 10 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 24
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 30
- JROTC support for 5 high schools (2 Navy and 3 Marines) JR Tucker High School new Marine Corps unit.
- 2 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60) and new Adopted Ship *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), 10/18/1996
- Richmond recognized as the 10th largest Council in the country with 825 members
- Annual Membership Meeting, Willow Oaks Country Club, 1/16/1996
- Honor's Night Dinner, speaker VADM George Emery, Commander Atlantic Submarine Fleet, awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year, 03/36/1996 (150 participants)
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 4/19/1996
- US Coast Guard Yorktown Reserve Training Center and cruise on USCG Morro Bay (WTGB-106), 4/26/1996 (42 participants)
- Evening Parade, Marine Corps Barracks Washington, 5/10/1996 (30 participants)
- *USS Yorktown* (CG-48) Cruise Norfolk to Annapolis 05/20/1996 (187 participants)
- Spring Golf Outing Fort Lee 05/22/1996 (116 players)
- Fall Golf Outing Fort Lee 09/25/1996 (106 players)
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker CAPT Malcolm P. Branch, Commanding Officer, *USS George Washington* (CVN-73), 10/15/1996 (170 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration, Virginia War Memorial, 12/07/1996
- White House Christmas Tour 12/11/1996

## 1997

- President - Robert J. Moore
- Members - 783
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 25
- *Lucky Bag* newsletter, Bill McCathern Editor, awarded the 1997 Runner Up Large Council Donald M. Mackie Award for newsletter excellence by the Navy League of the United States.
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$14,261 / Income - \$64,827 / Expenses - \$44,310 / Ending Balance - \$16,418
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 25
- JROTC support for 5 high schools (2 Navy and 3 Marines)
- 2 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60) and *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50)  
First Ship Reports (*USS Normandy* and *USS Carter Hall*) published in the March 1997 *Lucky Bag*
- Annual Membership Meeting, speaker RADM Henry C. McKinney (USN-RET) President of the U.S. Navy Memorial Foundation, Willow Oaks Country Club, 1/21/1997
- *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50) cruise, 1/28-30/1997 (19 participants)
- Governor George Allen hosted Richmond Council Board Members and *USS Normandy* Command Staff at his office to recognize PO Kevin Henry as the Sailor of the Year, 03/18/1997
- Honors Night Dinner speaker CAPT Francis Dimas, Commanding Officer, *USS Normandy* (CG-60), awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year. 3/18/1997
- Baltimore and Ft. McHenry tours, 4/2/1997 (64 participants)
- Spring Golf Outing Fort Lee 05/14/1997 (120 players)
- *USS Normandy* (CG-60) Cruise Norfolk to Yorktown, 07/16/1997 (136 participants)
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 9/13/1997 (75 participants)
- Fall Golf Outing Fort Lee 09/24/1997 (108 players)
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker ADM Paul Reason, Commander in Chief US Asiatic Fleet, 10/14/1997
- Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration 12/07/1997
- White House Christmas Tour 12/10/1997 (77 participants)

## 1998

- President - William C. Farmer
- Members - 772
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 27
- *Lucky Bag* newsletter, William McCathern Editor, awarded the 1998 Runner Up Large Council Donald M. Mackie Award for newsletter excellence by the Navy League of the United States.
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$16,418 / Income - \$36,678/ Expenses - \$34,401 /Ending Balance - \$20,321
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 28
- America Division Sea Cadets won the 1998 John J. Bergen Trophy for being the Outstanding Naval Sea Cadet Corps Unit in the country by National Navy Sea Cadets Corps.
- JROTC support for 5 high schools (2 Navy and 3 Marines)
- 2 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60) and *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50)
- Annual Membership Meeting, Willow Oaks Country Club, 1/13/1998
- Honors Night, speaker CDR Paul Galanti, USN-RET, awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year, 3/31/1998
- *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50) Cruise 04/09-10/1998 (75 participants)
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 4/25/1998 (50 participants)

- *USCG Morro Bay* (WTGB-106) Cruise Portsmouth to Yorktown 05/12/1998
- *USS Normandy* (CG-60) Cruise Yorktown to Norfolk 05/15/1998 (84 participants)
- Golf Event, The Hollows Golf Club, 5/20/1998 (108 golfers)
- Evening Parade, Marine Corps Barracks, Washington, DC 06/12/1998 (80 participants)
- *USS Harry S. Truman* (CVN-75) Commissioning, Norfolk, 7/25/1998 (125 participants)
- *USCG Morro Bay* (WTGB-106) Cruise *USCG Yorktown* to Norfolk and return 08/21/1998 (16 participants)
- Navy Day Luncheon at the University of Richmond, speaker LtGen Peter Pace, Commander U.S. Marines Corps Forces, Atlantic, and special guest Senator Charles Robb, music provided by the Quantico Marine Corps Band, 10/14/1998
- Virginia Governor James Gilmore presented the Richmond Council 1998 Sailor of the Year to PO Jeffrey Balda *USS Normandy*, at a ceremony in the Governor's Office 10//14/1998.
- *USS Caron* (DD-970) cruise Norfolk to Yorktown, 11/02/1998 (10 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration, Virginia War Memorial, 12/07/1998
- White House Christmas Tour 12/09/1998 (60 participants)

## 1999

- President - William C. Farmer
- Members - 782
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 18
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$20,321 / Income - \$59,017 / Expenses - \$32,301 /Ending Balance - \$21,481
- JROTC support for 763 cadets in 5 high schools (2 Navy and 3 Marines)  
Hermitage High School had the largest Marine Corps JROTC unit in the country with 327 cadets.
- 3 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50) and *USCGC Northland* (WMEC (904) new Adopted Ship April 13, 1999
- The Richmond Council earned the 1999 Outstanding Council of the Year from the Navy League of the United States.
- Annual Membership Meeting, Willow Oaks Country Club, 1/12/1999
- *USS Normandy* (CG-60) Cruise Norfolk to Yorktown 03/29/1999 (95 participants)
- *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50) Navy League members Steve Zembroski and John McKenzie participated in a seven-day cruise from Amphibious Base Little Creek to New Orleans, Mar 1999.
- Honors Night Dinner, speaker RADM Daniel H. Stone, Commanding Officer Defense Supply Center Richmond, awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year, 4/6/1999
- *USCG Forward* (WMEC-911) Cruise Portsmouth to Yorktown 04/25/1999 (40 participants)
- Golf Event, The Hollows Golf Club, 5/19/1999 (116 golfers)
- *USS Normandy* (CG-60) Cruise Norfolk to Virginia Capes 05/28/1999 (48 participants)
- Norfolk Harborfest and *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904) Cruise, 6/6/1999
- Washington Navy Yard tour, 6/10/1999
- *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50) Cruise Amphibious Base Little Creek 06/22/1999 (72 participants)
- Coast Guard Birthday Luncheon, 8/4/1999 (82 participants)
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 9/18/1999 (40 participants)
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker VADM John Ryan Naval Academy Superintendent, 10/14/1999 (100 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration, Virginia War Memorial, 12/07/1999
- White House Christmas Tour 12/08/1998



## 2000

- President - Henry J. Miller
- Members - 778
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 16
- JROTC support for 6 high schools (3 Navy and 3 Marines) Lee Davis High School new Navy JROTC supported unit
- 3 Adopted Ships: USS Normandy CG-60), USS Carter Hall (LSD-50) and USCGC Northland (WMEC-904)
- Began operating a concession stand at Virginia Commonwealth University basketball games
- The Richmond Council earned the 2000 Outstanding Council of the Year from the Navy League of the United States.
- Annual Membership Meeting, Willow Oaks Country Club, 1/18/2000
- *USS Normandy* (CG-60) Cruise Yorktown to Norfolk, 02/18/2000 (110 participants)
- Honors Night Dinner, speaker Col. Ross D. Pennington, Defense General Supply Center Richmond, awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year, 03/14/2000
- *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904) Cruise Portsmouth to Alexandria 04/28/2000 (55 participants)
- Golf Event, The Hollows Golf Club, 5/17/2000 (124 golfers)
- USS Carter Hall (LSD-5) cruise, 5/25/2000, (75 participants)
- Tall Ships' Trip - OpSail 2000, Norfolk, 6/15-16/2000 (100 participants)
- Coast Guard Luncheon, speaker VADM John E. Shkor, Commander of the Atlantic Fleet Area, 8/17/2000
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 9/23/2000
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker VADM John W. Craine, Jr., Chief of Naval Education and Training, 10/13/2000
- *USS Theodore Roosevelt* (CVA-71) Cruise from Norfolk to an area off the Virginia coast. 12 RNL members joined the cruise for two days. They departed the ship via a catapult launch from the carrier on a Grumman C-2 COD. One of the Navy League members was 93 years old and became the oldest person to be catapulted off an American aircraft carrier, 10/24-25/2000.
- 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Korean War, speaker LtGen Stephen G. Olmstead, USMC-RET, 11/15/2000
- Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration, Virginia War Memorial, 12/07/2000

## 2001

- President - Henry J. Miller
- Members - 850
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 10
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$37,990 / Income - \$37,591 / Expenses - \$39,411 /Ending Balance - \$36,170
- Sea Cadet CPO Candace Childers reported to the US Naval Academy, June 2001
- JROTC support for 842 cadets in 7 high schools (4 Navy and 3 Marines) Lee Davis High School new Navy JROTC unit
- 3 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904)
- Annual Membership Meeting, Willow Oaks Country Club, 1/30/2001
- Operated a concession stand at Virginia Commonwealth University basketball games
- *USS Normandy* (CG-60) cruise, 2/1/200 (78 participants)
- *USS Winston S. Churchill* (DDG-81) Commissioning Ceremony, Norfolk, 3/10/2001 (85 participants)
- Honors Night Dinner, speaker RADM Mark A. Young, CO Defense General Supply Center Richmond, awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year, 3/22/2001

- Golf Event, The Hollows Golf Club, 5/16/2001 (120 golfers)
- Evening Parade, Marine Corps Barracks, Washington, DC 06/22/2001
- Evening Parade, Marine Corps Barracks, Washington, DC 08/10/2001
- USS Winston S. Churchill (DDG-81) Cruise Norfolk to Yorktown 07/21/2001 (40 participants)
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker VADM John J. Grossenbacher, Jr., Commander Submarine Allied Command, Atlantic, 10/5/2001
- James River Ghost Fleet and Mariners' Museum tours 10/4/2001 (80 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration, Virginia War Memorial, 12/07/2001

## 2002

- President - Henry A Miles
- Members - 825
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 22
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$36,170 / Income - \$46,070 / Expenses - \$45,344 /Ending Balance - \$36,896
- JROTC support 773 cadets in 8 high schools (4 Navy and 3 Marines) Patrick Henry High School new Marine Corps JROTC supported unit
- 4 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904) and *USS Tornado* (PC-14) new Adopted Ship 2/12/2002
- Operated a concession stand at Virginia Commonwealth University basketball games
- Richmond Council was one of nine councils to win the 2002 Outstanding Council Award from the Navy League of the United States.
- Annual Membership Meeting, Willow Oaks Country Club, 1/15/2002
- *USS Tornado* (PC-14) Cruise Amphibious Base Little Creek to Chesapeake Bay and return 01/23/2002
- Honors Night Dinner, CDR Edward J. Delaney, Supreme Allied Command Atlantic Staff, awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year, 03/22/2002
- US Naval Academy tour, 4/12/2002 (84 participants)
- *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904) Cruise Portsmouth to Yorktown, 04/24/2002
- Golf Event, The Hollows Golf Club, 5/15/2002 (124 golfers)
- *USS Wisconsin* (BB-64) and Nauticus Museum tours, Norfolk, 06/20/2002
- *USS Tornado* (PC-14) visit to Richmond, Intermediate Terminal, 08/28/2002  
*USS Tornado* made history as she became the first Navy ship in nearly two decades to transit the James River to visit the port of Richmond.
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 9/21/2002
- Navy Day Luncheon, speaker CAPT J. W. Goodwin, CO USS Ronald Reagan (CVN-76), 10/11/2002
- Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration, Virginia War Memorial, 12/07/2001
- White House Christmas Tour, 12/11/2002

## 2003

- President - Henry A. Miles
- Members - 725
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 25
- *Lucky Bag* newsletter, Bill McCathern Editor, received the 2003 Honorary Mention Large Council Donald M. Mackie Award for newsletter excellence by the Navy League of the United States.
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$36,896 / Income - \$38,420 / Expenses - \$49,749 /Ending Balance - \$25,567
- JROTC support 8 high school programs (5 Navy and 3 Marines)

- 4 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *Tornado* (PC-14), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904)
- Operated a concession stand at Virginia Commonwealth University basketball games
- Annual Membership Meeting, Willow Oaks Country Club, 1/21/2003
- Golf Outing, The Hollows Golf Club, 05/07/2003 (108 golfers, 61 sponsors)
- Evening Parade Marine Corps Barracks, Washington, DC, 6/13/2003
- *USS Normandy* (CG-60) visit and cruise, 6/23/2002
- Amphibious Base Little Creek tour, 8/19/2003 (35 participants)
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 09/6/2003
- Newport News Shipbuilding and Mariners' Museum tours 11/12/2003 (80 participants)

## 2004

- President - Joseph A. Moschetti
- Members - not available
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 29
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$25,567 / Income - \$55,020 / Expenses - \$55,673 / Ending Balance - \$24,914
- JROTC support 700 cadets at 8 high school programs (5 Navy and 3 Marines)
- 3 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904), *USS Tornado* was sent to a new duty station
- Richmond Council was one of ten councils to win the 2004 Outstanding Council Award from the Navy League of the United States.
- Operated a concession stand at Virginia Commonwealth University basketball games
- *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50) visit and cruise, 01/28/2004
- National Air and Space Museum Washington Tour, 03/25/2004
- Marine Corps Base Quantico Tour, 4/28/2004
- *USCG Northland* (CG-60) visit and cruise 05/09/2004 (50 participants)
- Golf Outing, The Hollows Golf Club, 05/12/2004 (125 golfers, 48 sponsors)
- Evening Parade Marine Corps Barracks, Washington, DC, 6/4/2004
- *USS Normandy* (CG-60) visit and cruise, 07/28/2004 (100 participants)
- Amphibious Base Little Creek tour, 8/10/2003 (50 participants)
- *USS Tornado* (PC-14) visit to Richmond, 08/16/2004, Intermediate Terminal
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 09/25/2004
- *USS Virginia* (SSN-774), Commissioning Ceremony, Norfolk, 10/23/2004 (70 participants)

## 2005

- President - Joseph A. Moschetti
- Members - not available
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 26
- *Lucky Bag* newsletter, Bill McCathern Editor, awarded the 2005 First Place Donald M. Mackie Award for newsletter excellence by the Navy League of the United States.
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$24,914 / Income - \$47,498 / Expenses - \$49,604 / Ending Balance - \$22,808
- JROTC support 710 cadets in 8 high school programs (5 Navy and 3 Marines)
- 3 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904)
- Operated a concession stand at Virginia Commonwealth University basketball games
- Richmond Council was one of six councils to win the 2005 Outstanding Council Award from the Navy league of the United States

- Former America Division Sea Cadet Candace M. Childers graduated from the United States Naval Academy 05/25/2005
- White House Christmas Tour, 1/25/2005
- *USS Nitze* (DDG-94) Commissioning Ceremony, Norfolk, 03/05/2005 (80 participants)
- Outstanding Navy and Marine Recruiters Recognition Awards Dinner 4/5/1995
- Golf Outing, The Hollows Golf Club, 05/18/2005 (128 golfers, 50 sponsors)
- Evening Parade Marine Corps Barracks Washington, DC, 6/4/2005
- *USCG Shearwater* (WSES-4) visit to Richmond for the Coast Guard birthday 8/3-4/2005
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 09/17/2005
- Navy Amphibious Base Little Creek tour and cook-out, 9/21/2005
- National Air and Space Museum Washington Tour, 10/27/2005
- *USS Normandy* (CG-60) Day Cruise 12/5/2005
- White House Christmas Tour, 12/14/2005 (100 participants)

## 2006

- President - Roy M. Martin
- Members - not available
- *Lucky Bag*, 12 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors – 25
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$22,808 / Income - \$58,478 / Expenses - \$56,977 / Ending Balance - \$24,309
- JROTC support 733 cadets in 8 high school programs (5 Navy and 3 Marines)
- 4 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Nassau* (LHA-4), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904), new Adopted Ship *USS Nassau* (LHA-4) 9/21/2006
- Operated a concession stand at Virginia Commonwealth University basketball games
- Rebecca Wolf, former America Division Sea Cadet graduated from US Naval Academy, 4/26/2006
- Naval Surface Warfare Center Dahlgren tour 4/12/2006 (40 participants)
- US Naval Academy tour, 4/26/2006 (50 participants)
- *USCGC Northland* cruise, 4/29/2006
- Golf Outing, The Hollows Golf Club, 05/17/2006 (135 golfers)
- 2 US Navy Landing Craft Utility (LCU) boats visit Richmond, Intermediate Terminal 6/5/2006
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 09/6/2006
- Naval Air Station Pautuxent River visit, 9/21/2006
- 225th Anniversary of the Revolutionary War trip, Yorktown, 10/20/2006 (50 participants)
- White House Christmas Tour, 12/12/2006 (99 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Day Observance, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/2006

## 2007

- President - Roy M. Martin
- Members - not available
- *Lucky Bag*, 12 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors – 27
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$24,309 / Income - \$59,742 / Expenses - \$58,083 / Ending Balance - \$25,968
- JROTC support 733 cadets in 8 high school programs (5 Navy and 3 Marines)
- 4 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Nassau* (LHA-4), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904)
- Operated a concession stand at Virginia Commonwealth University basketball games
- Richmond Council was one of fourteen councils to win the 2007 Outstanding Council Award from the Navy league of the United States
- *USS Normandy* visit and cruise, 2/27/2007

- National Museum of the Marine Corps Museum tour 4/28/2007
- Golf Outing, The Hollows Golf Club, 05/16/2007 (130 golfers)
- USS Monitor Center and Ft. Monroe trip, 5/22/2007
- Evening Parade Marine Corps Barracks Washington, DC, 7/20/2007 (35 participants)
- *USS Nassau* (LHA-4) visit and cruise, 8/10/2007
- *USS Carr* (FFG-52) visit and cruise, 7/27/2007
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 09/8/2007
- *USS San Antonio* (LPD-17) visit and cruise 10/3/2007
- Pearl Harbor Day Observance, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/2007
- White House Christmas Tour, 12/20/2007 (100 participants)

## 2008

- President - Thomas T. Hassell, Jr.
- Members: 700, Anchor Club members - 106, donations - \$10,600
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 25
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$25,968 / Income - \$57,182 / Expenses - \$61,242 / Ending Balance - \$21,907
- JROTC support for 700 cadets in 8 high school programs (5 Navy and 3 Marines)
- 4 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Nassau* (LHA-4), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904)
- Operated a concession stand at Virginia Commonwealth University basketball games
- 50th Anniversary Celebration
- Virginia General Assembly Resolution recognizing the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Richmond Navy League
- Anchor Club Established in January with 106 members by the end of the year, with as estimated combined donation of \$10,600.
- *HMS Ark Royal* visit and tour Norfolk 03/27/2008 (50 participants)
- Golf Outing, The Hollows Golf Club, 04/14/2008 (120 golfers)
- Evening Parade Marine Corps Barracks Washington, DC, 8/22/2008
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 09/21/2008
- *USS Normandy* Cruise 10/06/2008 (90 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Day Observance, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/2008

## 2009

- President - Thomas T. Hassell, Jr.
- Members: not available, Anchor Club members - 123, donations - \$12,300
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 25
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$21,907 / Income - \$57,411 / Expenses - \$57,174 / Ending Balance - \$22,145
- America Division Sea Cadets received the 2009 Navy League of Canada Challenge Award for the most improved Naval Sea Cadet Corps unit finishing in the top ten of the National Sea Cadets Corps units in the nation.
- JROTC support 8 high school programs (5 Navy and 3 Marines)
- 4 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Nassau* (LHA-4), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904)
- Operated a concession stand at Virginia Commonwealth University basketball games
- *USS George Bush* (CVN-71) Commissioning, Norfolk, 01/10/2009 (200 participants)
- Golf Outing, The Hollows Golf Club 04/13/2009, 124 golfers
- US Naval Academy tour 4/15/2009
- *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50) visit, 5/15/2009

- *USS Albany* (SSN-753) submarine tour, 08/15/2009 (50 participants)
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 10/17/2009
- Pearl Harbor Day Observance, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/2009
- White House Christmas Tour 12/9/2009

## 2010

- President - Thomas T. Hassell, Jr.
- Members: 463, Anchor Club members - 135, donations - \$13,500
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 27
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$22,145 / Income - \$56,460 / Expenses - \$53,896 / Ending Balance - \$24,704
- JROTC support 8 high school programs (5 Navy and 3 Marines)
- 4 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Nassau* (LHA-4), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904)
- Operated a concession stand at Virginia Commonwealth University basketball games
- *USS New Mexico* (SSN-799) Commissioning, Norfolk, 3/27/2010 (35 participants)
- *USS Boise* (SSN-764) submarine tour, Norfolk, 6/4/2010 (50 participants)
- National Museum of the Marine Corps Museum tour 8/12/2010
- Golf Outing, The Hollows Golf Club, 10/12/2010 (128 golfers)
- *USS Montpelier* (SSN-765) submarine tour, 10/30/2010
- *USS George H. W. Bush* (CVN-71) Commissioning, Norfolk, 11/20/2010 (55 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Day Observance, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/2010

## 2011

- President - J. Glenn Mullins and R. Milton Owen
- Members: 424, Anchor Club members - 138, donations - \$13,800
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 26
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$24,704 / Income - \$53,984 / Expenses - \$53,632 / Ending Balance - \$25,055
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 46
- JROTC support 8 high school programs (5 Navy and 3 Marines)
- 4 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904), *USS Nassau* was to a new duty station 3/31/2011, new Adopted Ship *USS Gravely* (DDG-107) 9/11/2011
- Operated a concession stand at Virginia Commonwealth University basketball games (last year)
- Council Honors Night Dinner, awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year, 3/24/2011
- National Air and Space Museum Washington Tour, 3/29/2011
- *USS Nassau* (LHA-4) Decommissioning Ceremony, 3/31/2011
- Golf Outing, The Hollows Golf Club, 5/18/2011, (100 golfers)
- *USS Normandy* (CG-60) visit and cruise, 7/29/2011 (100 participants)
- US Coast Guard Birthday Luncheon, 8/4/2011
- Fort Lee tour, 10/25/2011 (25 participants)
- US Navy Day Luncheon, Speaker LT William King, USN, 10/13/2011
- *USS California* (SSN-781) Commissioning Ceremony, 10/29/2011
- National Museum of the Marine Corps Museum tour, 10/17/2011
- US Marine Corps Birthday Luncheon, speaker LTCOL Matthew Seay, USMC1 1/9/2012
- Pearl Harbor Day Observance, Virginia Governor Robert McDonnell keynote speaker, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/2011

## 2012

- President - R. Milton Owen
- Members: 378, Anchor Club members - 119, donations - \$11,800
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 24
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$25,055 / Income - \$42,782 / Expenses - \$48,395 / Ending Balance - \$19,442
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 45
- JROTC support 8 high school programs (5 Navy and 3 Marines)
- 4 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Gravely* (DDG-107) *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904)
- *USS New York* (LPD-21) visit, 1/12/2012 (35 participants)
- Council's Honors Night Dinner, awards presented to outstanding Richmond area Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reservists and the America Division Sea Cadet of the Year, 3/24/2012
- US Naval Academy trip, 4/18/2012
- *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904) visit and cruise, 5/12/2012
- Golf Outing, The Hollows Golf Club, 5/6/2012 (75 golfers)
- National Air and Space Museum Washington Tour, 6/18/2012
- U.S Coast Guard Birthday Luncheon, 8/2/2012
- *USS Normandy* (CG-60) visit, 8/24/2012 (88 participants)
- Seldom Seen Blue Grass Concert, 9/24/2012.
- US Navy Day Luncheon, Speaker CAPT Kevin Hill, USN, 10/11/2012
- US Marine Corps Birthday Luncheon, 11/10/2012
- Pearl Harbor Day Observance, Virginia Governor Robert McDonnell keynote speaker, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/2012

## 2013

- President - R. Milton Owen
- Members: 347, Anchor Club members - 111, donations - \$13,425
- *Lucky Bag*, 10 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 24
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$19,442 / Income - \$45,731 / Expenses - \$44,738 / Ending Balance - \$17,530
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 41
- Cadet Chief Petty Officer Pellegrino received the 2013 Willis E. Reed Award for National Sea Cadet Corps Cadet of the Year. LCD Jennifer Weggen received the 2013 Nicholas Brango Officer of the Year Award for Inspirational Leadership while serving as Commanding Officer of the America Division by the Naval Sea Cadet Corps.
- JROTC support 8 high school programs (5 Navy and 3 Marines)
- 4 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Gravely* (DDG-107) *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904)
- Amphibious Base Little Creek visit and tour, 4/11/2013 (35 participants)
- Golf Outing, The Hollows Golf Club, 5/15/2013 (90 golfers)
- *USS Norfolk* (SSN-714) visit, Norfolk, 6/1/2013 (49 participants)
- FBI Training Academy and Marine Corps Museum tours, Quantico, 6/25/2013 (40 participants)
- *USS Minnesota* (SSN-723) Commissioning Ceremony, 9/7/2013 (50 participants)
- Coast Guard Port Security Unit (PSU-305) visit, Newport News, 9/21/2013
- US Navy Day Luncheon: Speaker RADM John Hekman (RET), 10/10/2013
- Military Aviation Museum tour, Virginia Beach, 10/25/2013 (22 participants)
- Marines Corps Birthday Luncheon, Speaker MAJ Ryan R. Gordinier, USMC, 11/7/2014

- Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day Ceremony and Luncheon, speaker RADM Herman Shelanski, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/2013

## 2014

- President - Thomas T. Hassell, Jr.
- Members: 402, Anchor Club members - 107, donations - \$13,500
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 32
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$17,530 / Income - \$45,431 / Expenses - \$43,350 / Ending Balance - \$19,610
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 32  
Warrant Officer Gary Riffle, Sr. awarded the 2014 Nicholas Brango Officer of the Year Award for Inspirational Leadership while serving as Commanding Officer of the America Division by the Naval Sea Cadet Corps.
- JROTC support 9 high school programs (5 Navy and 4 Marines)  
Former Patrick Henry High Scholl NJROTC Cadet Shannon Balance enters the US Coast Guard Academy, June 2014
- 4 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Gravelly* (DDG-107) *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904)
- Annual Membership Meeting, Willow Oaks Country Club, 1/26/2014
- Spring Luncheon: Speaker CAPT Gary Boardman, USN, Chief of Staff Expeditionary Group 2, 3/35/2014
- *USS Gravelly* (DDG-107) cruise, Norfolk, 5/2/2014 (70 participants)
- Golf Outing, The Hollows Golf Club, 5/14/2014 (114 golfers)
- Summer Luncheon: Speaker LCDR Joseph Spagnoli, USN, CO Navy Operational Support Center-Richmond (6/26/2014)
- Coast Guard Port Security Unit (PSU-305) visit, Newport News, 6/30/2014 (25 participants)
- Coast Guard Birthday Luncheon, 8/6/2014
- Tangier Island Day Cruise: 08/09/2014 (25 participants)
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 09/19/2004 (55 participants)
- Navy Day Luncheon: 10/9/2014 (55 participants)
- Marines Corps Birthday Luncheon, Speaker LtCol Thomas H. Gilley, IV, CO US Marine Detachment Ft. Lee, 11/13/2014 (70 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/2014

## 2015

- President - Thomas T. Hassell, Jr.
- Members: 245 (local dues raised to \$30), Anchor Club members - 108, donations - \$11,215
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 30
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$19,610 / Income - \$40,950 / Expenses - \$39,289 / Ending Balance - \$21,271
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 40
- JROTC support 9 high school programs (5 Navy and 4 Marines)
- 4 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Gravelly* (DDG-107), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904)
- Annual Membership Meeting, Willow Oaks Country Club, 1/15/2015
- *USS Roosevelt* (CVN-71) and *USS Montpelier* (SSN-965) tours, Norfolk, 2/28/2015 (46 participants)
- Spring Luncheon, speaker RADM Cynthia M. Thebaud, Commander Expeditionary Strike Group 2, 3/26/2015 (50 participants)
- *USCGC Cutter Northland* (WMEC-904) cruise, 5/3/2015 (53 participants)
- Golf Outing, The Hollows Golf Club, 5/13/2015 (65 golfers)



- Naval Support Facility Dahlgren tour, 06/25/2015 (30 participants)
- Ft. Lee Tour, 8/14/2015
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 9/18/2015, (46 participants)
- *USS Gravely* (DDG-107) cruise, 10/5/2015
- Sea Services Luncheon, speaker CAPT Jim McGovern, Chief of Staff Expeditionary Combat Command 10/15/2015 (80 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/2015

## 2016

- President - Thomas T. Hassell, Jr.
- Members: 240, Anchor Club members - 101, donations - \$11,625
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 20
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$21,271 / Income - \$41,818 / Expenses - \$40,584 / Ending Balance - \$22,505
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 31
- JROTC support 9 high school programs (5 Navy and 4 Marines)
- 4 Adopted Ships: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Gravely* (DDG-107), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904)
- Annual Membership Meeting, Willow Oaks Country Club, 1/14/2016
- *USS Wasp* (LHD-1) tour, 2/26/2016 (45 participants)
- Spring Luncheon, speaker CAPT Scott Robertson, CO *USS Normandy* (CG-60), 3/23/2016 (95 participants)
- *USNS Brunswick* (T-AKR-310) and *USNS Watson* (T-EPF-6) tour and lunch, Newport News, 4/28/2016 (18 participants)
- Golf Outing, The Hollows Golf Club, 5/18/2016 (100 golfers)
- Marine Corps Museum tour, Quantico, 6/23/2016 (30 participants)
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 9/2/2016, (35 participants)
- Sea Service Luncheon, speaker CAPT Ted W. Carlson, CO *USS Gravely* (DDG-107), 10/12/2016 (75 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day Luncheon, speaker CAPT Derek N. Trinque, CO *USS Gravely* (DDG-107), Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/2016
- Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/2016

## 2017

- President - John A. Harler, M.D.
- Members: 239 (local dues increased to \$35), Anchor Club members - 102, donations - \$10,142
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 24
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$22,505 / Income - \$45,617 / Expenses - \$33,384 / Ending Balance - \$26,853
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 33
- JROTC support 9 high school programs (5 Navy and 4 Marines)
- 5 Adopted Ships and Units: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Gravely* (DDG-107), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904) and Blacklions Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA-213)
- Annual Membership Meeting, Willow Oaks Country Club, 1/19/2017
- Spring Luncheon, speaker CAPT Douglas A. McGoff, Commodore Military Sealift Command Atlantic, 3/15/2017,
- Golf Outing, The Hollows Golf Club, 5/15/2017 (108 golfers)
- Summer Luncheon, speaker CDR Mark Brandt, Commander *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904) 6/17/2017 (45 participants)

- *USS Gravely* (DDG-107) cruise Norfolk to Yorktown, 7/10/2017 (41 participants)
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 9/15/2017 (40 participants)
- Sea Services Luncheon, speaker LT Nelson Brandon John Diggs, Hampton Roads Recruiting Officer for Nuclear Officer Candidates, 10/18/2017 (80 participants)
- *USS George H. W. Bush* (CVN-77) tour, Norfolk, 11/11/2017 (31 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day Luncheon, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/2017

## 2018

- President - John A. Harler, M.D.
- Members: 237, Anchor Club members - 107, donations - \$10,097
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* Sponsors - 27
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$ 26,853 / Income - \$44,567 / Expenses - \$31,348 / Ending Balance - \$40,072
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 39
- JROTC support 9 high school programs (5 Navy and 4 Marines)
- 5 Adopted Ships and Units: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Gravely* (DDG-107) *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904) and Blacklions Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA-213)
- Annual Membership Meeting, Willow Oaks Country Club, 1/11/2018
- National Air and Space Museum Washington Tour, Chantilly, 3/25/2018 (35 participants)
- Spring Luncheon, speaker 7<sup>th</sup> District Representative Dave Brat, 03/38/2018 (80 participants)
- *USS Gerald R. Ford* (CVN-78) and USNS Comfort (T-AH-20) tours, 4/19/2018 (40 participants)
- Summer Luncheon, speaker CAPT Keith Buckley, Medical Commanding Officer, USNS Comfort (T-AH-20), 6/13/2018
- Golf Outing, The Hollows Golf Club, 6/20/2018 (100 golfers)
- Tangier Island Cruise, 8/18/2018
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 9/21/2018 (40 participants)
- US Naval Academy tour, 10/12/2018
- Sea Services Luncheon, speaker RADM Jesse A. Wilson, Jr., Commander Naval Surface Force Atlantic, 10/24/2018 (75 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, Virginia War Memorial, 12/8/2018, speaker Department of Veterans Services Deputy Commissioner Steven Combs.

## 2019

- President - Harry V. Lankford, M.D.
- Members: 229, Anchor Club members - 109, donations - \$12,972
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, *Lucky Bag* sponsors - 28
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$40,071 / Income - \$47,659 / Expenses - \$45,345 / Ending Balance - \$42,386
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 33
- America Division was runner-up (out of 300 units) for the John J. Bergen award presented each year to the most outstanding Sea Cadet Unit in the nation.
- JROTC support 9 high school programs (5 Navy and 4 Marines)
- 5 Adopted Ships and Units: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Gravely* (DDG-107), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904) and Blacklions Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA-213)
- Annual Membership Meeting, Willow Oaks Country Club, 1/16/2019
- Naval Air Station Oceana VFA-213 Blacklions tour, 03/13/2019 (65 participants)
- Golf Outing Fund Raiser, The Hollows Golf Club, 5/15/2019 (144 golfers)
- Norfolk Harborfest Tall Ships visit and cruise, 6/7/2019 (57 participants)

- Council's Summer Luncheon, speaker Executive Director and Chief of Staff Mark Honecker, US Fleet Forces Command, 6/19/2019 (70 participants)
- National Museum of the Marine Corps Museum tour, 8/22/2019 (22 participants)
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 9/20/2019, (45 participants)
- Naval Air Station Oceana VFA-213 Blacklions tour, 10/9/2019 (20 participants)
- Sea Services Luncheon, speaker Captain Brian Finman, Commodore Amphibious Squadron Four, 10/23/2019 (95 participants)
- Naval Surface Warfare Center Dahlgren tour, 11/15/2019 (34 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/2019, speaker CAPT Brian Finman USN, Commodore of Amphibious Squadron Four.

## **2020 (COVID 19 Virus)**

- President - Harry V. Lankford, M.D.
- Members: 204, Anchor Club members - 123, donations - \$15,430
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, Lucky Bag Sponsors - 30  
Began distribution of the *Lucky Bag* by electronic mail and discontinued bulk distribution to members by U.S. Post Office mail, saving approximately \$8,000 per year
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$42,386 / Income - \$39,305/ Expenses - \$40,794 / Ending Balance - \$40,862
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 42
- JROTC support 9 high school programs (5 Navy and 4 Marines)
- 5 Adopted Ships and Units: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Gravely* (DDG-107), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904) and Blacklions Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA-213)
- Most events canceled because of Covid restrictions.

## **2021**

- President - Adam J. "Jay" Fiedler, M.D.
- Members: 210, Anchor Club members - 118, donations - \$16,101
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, Lucky Bag Sponsors - 23
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$40,862 / Income - \$40,098 / Expenses - \$39,433 / Ending Balance - \$41,527
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 37  
Alexander Lieu, former America Division Sea Cadet, and Clover Hill High School graduate, enters the United States Naval Academy.
- JROTC support 9 high school programs (5 Navy and 4 Marines)
- 5 Adopted Ships and Units: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Gravely* (DDG-107), *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904) and Blacklions Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA-213)
- Annual Membership Meeting conducted via Zoom because of COVID restrictions, 06/12/2021 (25 participants)
- Admiral Samuel L. Gravely, Jr. Day - Governor's Proclamation request by the Richmond Council issued by Governor Ralph Northam to recognize the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the appointment of Samuel L. Gravely to the rank of Admiral, the first African-American Admiral, Virginia War Memorial, 6/2/2021 (40 participants - media coverage by 5 local TV stations, 3 local newspapers and *Stars and Stripes Magazine*)
- Summer Luncheon: Speaker Father William Bartz (CAPT, CHC, USN Ret), 6/30/2021, (70 participants)
- Golf Outing Fund Raiser, The Hollows Golf Club, 10/16/2021 (83 golfers)
- Sea Services Luncheon, speaker CAPT Chad Reed, Program Manager for Unmanned Carrier Aviation Program Office, 10/27/2021 (75 participants)

- *USS Gravelly* (DDG-107) ship visit by 10 members and 3 generations of the Gravelly family and two Navy League members, 11/6/2021
- Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, Virginia War Memorial, 12/7/2021

## 2022

- President - Patrick D. Harris
- Members: 200, Anchor Club members - 128, donations - \$15,496
- *Lucky Bag*, 11 issues published, Lucky Bag Sponsors - 23
- Budget: Beginning Balance - \$41,527 / Income - \$51,868, Expenses - \$39,009 / Ending Balance - \$50,905
- America Division Sea Cadets members - 25  
Richmond Council liaison attended 9 America Division Sea Cadet events and activities.
- JROTC support 9 high school programs (5 Navy and 4 Marines)  
Supported Navy and Marine Corps JROTC awards at 8 high schools, providing 8 Theodore Roosevelt Medals and Ribbons, 8 Cadet of the Year Awards (\$100 each) and 8 Unit donations (\$100 each).
- 5 Adopted Ships and Units: *USS Normandy* (CG-60), *USS Gravelly* (DDG-107) *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904) and Blacklions Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA-213)
- Provided \$5,037 in Morale, Welfare and Recreation support to our Adopted/Supported Ships and Units
- Change Of Command Ceremonies: America Division Sea Cadets, Navy Reserve Center Richmond, *USS Carter Hall* (LSD-50), *USCGC Legare* (WMEC-912), Blacklions VFA-213, Marine Corps Recruiting Richmond, *USCGC Northland* (WMEC-904), Naval Talent Acquisition Group Richmond
- The Richmond Council received the following 2021 Awards from the Navy League of the United States: 2021 Council Performance Award: Meritorious Council, 2021 Mackie Award for Newsletter: Silver, 2021 Mackie Award for Website: Silver
- Spring Luncheon: Edward Nanartowich (USN-RET) President of the Mid-Atlantic Maritime Academy in Norfolk, 3/23/2022, (40 participants)
- Richmond Navy Week: Assisted U.S. Navy to develop and promote Richmond Navy Week, 5/16-22, 2022
- Blacklions (VFA-213) Hangar Tour, Naval Air Station Oceana, 5/13/2022, (19 participants)
- Tall Ships Norfolk Harborfest, 6/10/2022, (26 participants)
- Picnic and Raffle: Members, Family and Friends Picnic, 6/??/2022 (75 participants)
- Golf Outing Fund Raiser, The Hollows Golf Club, 9/14/2022 (60 golfers)
- Blue Angels Air Show, Naval Air Station Oceana, 9/16/2022
- Sea Services Luncheon: RADM Andy Lennon (USN-RET) Executive Director of the US Naval Sea Cadet Corps, 10/12/2022, (40 participants)
- Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day Ceremony and Luncheon: CAPT Gregory Keithley (USN-RET) Executive Director of the Tailhook Association, 12/7/2022 (75 attendees)

