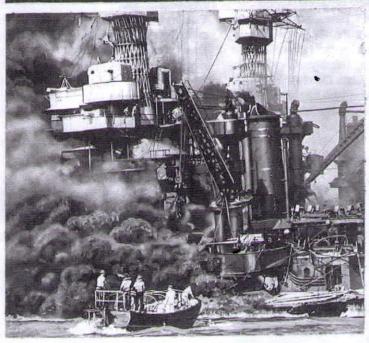




# The Lucky Bag

#### RICHMOND COUNCIL. NAVY LEAGUE OF THE UNITED STATES



#### Remember Pearl Harbor

The Richmond Navy League
extends an invitation to all citizens of the
Commonwealth of Virginia
as our Nation's colors are presented by the
Varina High School Navy JROTC Color Guard.
The observance will include a wreath laying
ceremony and the tolling of the bell
at the recitation of each name of those Virginians
who gave their lives at Pearl Harbor
7 December 1941

#### SUNDAY 7 DECEMBER 1941 PEARL HARBOR HAWAII 0800

77 years ago, Japan launched its surprise attack on Pearl Harbor killing 2,433 and wounding 1,178; the United States lost 18 surface warships (sunk or seriously damaged); 188 aircraft destroyed and 159 damaged

The next day, 8 December 1941, Congress, President Franklin Roosevelt addressed a joint session of Congress, describing the attack on Pearl Harbor as, "A Day which will live in infamy ---." The United States declared war on Japan.

#### PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY

DATE: SATURDAY 8 DECEMBER 2018

TIME: 11:00 AM

PLACE: VA WAR MEMORIAL

Following the Remembrance Ceremony, members are invited to gather in the Freedom Hall (Lower Level in the War Memorial) to enjoy a social and lunch catered by Homemades by Suzanne

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By John A. Harler, M.D.



#### **NOW HEAR THIS**

October was a successful month with two exciting and well-attended events: the bus trip to Annapolis to visit the U. S. Naval Academy & the annual Sea Services Luncheon featuring COMNAVSURFLANT RDML Jesse A. Wilson, Jr. These events were enjoyed by all.

Richmond Council is not hosting any new events in the month of November. but we encourage you all to consider attending the Commonwealth of Virginia's Veterans Day Ceremony at the Virginia War Memorial. This will take place on the 11th day of the 11th month at the 11th hour of 2018, 100 years after Armistice Day ending World War I. Following the Commonwealth's Veterans Day ceremony, you are invited

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to visit the newly renovated Carillon, Virginia's World War I Memorial, for the afternoon Armistice Day Festival. (information taken from the VWM website)

Be advised that Pearl Harbor Day 2018, which is a joint program organized by the VWM and the RCNL, will be held on Saturday 8 December due to the ongoing parking problems at the VWM related to renovation. See details on the cover of this issue of The Lucky Bag.

We continue to need addresses for forward deployed military. Our Facebook has posted information related to the Care Package Program. Please share these posts with your FB friends. We have already received a couple of addresses by this method of getting the word out.

#### 100th ANNIVERSARY OF ARMISTICE DAY



The New York Cimes. ARMISTICE SIGNED, END OF THE WAR! BERLIN SEIZED BY REVOLUTIONISTS; NEW CHANCELLOR BEGS FOR ORDER: OUSTED KAISER FLEES TO HOLLAND

The Armistice of 11 November 1918, also known as the Armistice of Compiegne from the place where it was signed, was the armistice that ended fighting on land, sea and air in World War I between the Allies and their opponent, Germany. It came into force "the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month" at 11 AM Paris time on 11 November 1918 and marked a victory for the Allies and a complete defeat for Germany. On 11 November 1919, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed 11 November to be a National Holiday named Armistice Day. President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a bill into law on May 26, 1954 changing the name from Armistice Day to Veterans Day in celebration of all veterans of American wars. On 11 November 2018, we celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Armistice/Veterans Day. &

#### CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

#### By Lewis W. Brandt

presidents seem too To me. obsessed with their legacy. How they will be remembered by those who record our history, or more so by those who rewrite it. One who holds such an office should just do the right thing for our republic without worrying about what people of another time will The spinners will create the record they want and many will believe it...so just do the right/legal But what about an average Joe? What should he not leave behind? First, get rid of your junk so the family doesn't have to worry about what to do with grandpa's old bucket Don't leave your kids a of nails. maxed out MasterCard or Visa. Don't

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#### WELCOME ABOARD!

The Richmond Council Navy League is proud to welcome you as a member. In the weeks ahead, when you attend one of our Navy League events, please let the person at the registration desk know that you are a new member at your first function.

#### **New Member** Betty J. Anderson W. Stratford Ward, Jr. Boyd H. Winslow, M.D.

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leave your family shackled with your rotten reputation. If fifty years after your passing, when looking at your picture, your family says grandpa/grandma taught us to trust in Jesus and pray for one another, that will be legacy enough. Consider what Timothy's grandmother left her family! II Tim 1:5.

### SEA CADETS AMERICA DIVISION

#### "PRIDE, SERVICE, PATRIOTISM!"

Founded in 1958, the United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps is a congressionally-chartered, U.S. Navy-based organization that serves to teach individuals about the sea-going military services, U.S. naval operations and training, community service, citizenship, and an understanding of discipline and teamwork.

USNSCC is a national youth leadership development organization that promotes interest and skill in naval disciplines while instilling strong moral character and life skills through leadership and technical programs modeled after the Navy's professional development system.

USNSCC is comprised of two programs. The Naval Sea Cadet Corps (NSCC) program is for young people ages 13 through the completion of high school. Also included under the USNSCC umbrella is our junior program, the Navy League Cadet Corps (NLCC), for young people ages 10 through 13.

Representing Central Virginia for the U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps is AMERICA Division, named after the aircraft carrier USS AMERICA.

AMERICA Division meets one weekend monthly (except July) at the Navy Operational Support Center (NOSC).

For more information about the U.S. Naval Sea Cadets and AMERICA Division you can visit their websites: <a href="https://www.seacadets.org">www.seacadets.org</a> and <a href="https://www.america.division.com">www.america.division.com</a>.

#### WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

AMERICA Division, of the U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps, is on a mission to remember, honor and teach. Our Staff and Cadets will be at the Richmond National Cemetery on 15 December to remember those who gave the ultimate price for our freedom. Please join us by sponsoring a wreath(s) to be placed in honor of a veteran this December.

We'll ensure that their sacrifice is remembered yet again and passed on to a new generation of Americans.

Please refer to the website below for donations or call 1-877-385-9504 (Hours: 8 AM – 4 PM EST). https://www.wreathsacrossamerica.or

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#### LAUNCHING CEREMONY

The breaking of a bottle of wine on the bows of a ship during the launching or christening ceremony has not always been the custom. This story is UK-derived, but many of the US customs have followed suit. Before 1690 the ship's health was drunk from a silver cup which, after use, was thrown

into the sea. After that date, the present day method was introduced. Until 1811, the event was always performed by a royal personage or a dockyard commissioner, but in that year the Prince Regent suggested that a lady should have the honor – a custom that remains to this day.

Securing the bottle of wine to a lanyard is said to have originated because of an accident in which a lady performing the launching ceremony threw the bottle at the bow of the ship, but missing, hit a spectator, who received serious injury and sued the Admiralty for damages.

On a gruesome note, it has been suggested that the practice of splashing a new ship's bows with wine is a relic of the splashing with blood arising from the ancient Norse practice of launching a ship over the bodies of sacrificial victims.

#### HIGHEST RANKING CASUALTY AT PEARL HARBOR



Isaac Campbell Kidd was an American Rear Admiral in the United States Navy. Kidd was killed on the bridge of USS Arizona during the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on 7 Dec. 1941. He became the first U.S. Navy flag officer killed in action in World War II as well as the first killed in action against any foreign enemy. He was a posthumous recipient of his nation's highest military honor - the Medal of Honor. Several ships have been named after him, the most recent being the Arleigh Burke-class guided missile destroyer, KIDD (DDG-100), commissioned 2007.



U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps, AMERICA Division Cadets and their officers

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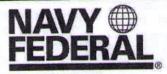


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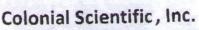


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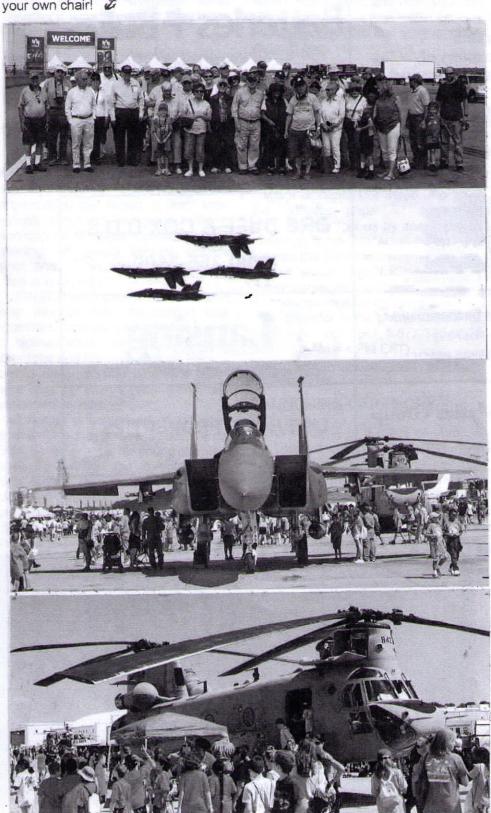






#### NAS OCEANA AIR SHOW - - - ALWAYS GREAT EXCITEMENT

On 21 Sept 2018 fifty-three Navy Leaguers and guests helped celebrate the 75th Anniversary of NAS Oceana. We had a very late arrival due to an accident on I-64 near Williamsburg. Once at Oceana, there were scores of aircraft and displays on the ground to examine, crews to talk with, and flying from 10am to 4pm culminated with the Blue Angels. Local school STEM program participation continues to grow, and even Friday Practice Day now has thousands of visitors filling up the available seats. We supplied ear plugs. Next year you better bring your own chair!



#### HISTORY OF NAVAL STATION NORFOLK

The land on which Naval Station Norfolk is located was originally the site of the 1907 Jamestown Exposition. Congress appropriated \$1 million in 1908 for the purchase, but the Assistant Secretary of the Navy approved a new coal ship instead.

Just after the United States entered World War I the Secretary of the Navy was persuaded to buy the property and develop it. The Navy filled-a large part of the flats on the west and north by dredging the Elizabeth River to a depth sufficient for large ships to dock at The Naval Operating Base (NOB). By Armistice Day, 1918, there were 34,000 enlisted men at the base. Construction continued. By 1942, recruit training at the base was discontinued in order to focus on advanced training for men going directly to the fleet.

After World War II, NOB and Naval Air Station Chambers Field were collectively referred to as Naval Base Norfolk and then Naval Station Norfolk. Today, in addition to being the home for the Navy's largest concentration of naval forces, Naval Station Norfolk also hosts personnel from the other services and supports significant Joint missions. Naval Station Norfolk is now abbreviated NAVSTA Norfolk.

### HOW NOT TO DESIGN A

If it ain't broke, don't fix it. If you are a F-35C designer, do you use decades of history with the Navy F-18's? Nope. The Hornet's distance between the wheels and the tailhook is 18.2 feet. Now try 7.1 feet. What happened? The first carrier landings attempted by F-35C's failed - could not catch the wire. Turns out, that the wheels running over the wire set it to a "transverse kink wave," making it harder for the tailhook to grab. The fix was a sharper tailhook hook with a stronger frame and hook downforce, no doubt with delays and dollars.

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#### USS MISSOURI IN THE GULF WAR – JAN/FEB 1991

USS MISSOURI (BB-63 - "Mighty Mo" or "Big Mo") was the last battle-ship commissioned by the United States, in 1944. In World War II, she fought in the battles of Iwo Jima and Okinawa and shelled the Japanese home islands. She was best remembered as the site of the Japanese surrender which ended WWII. She also fought in the Korean War, but then was decommissioned in 1955 into the United States Navy Reserve, "Moth

ball" Fleet, but reactivated and modernized in 1984 as part of the 600-ship Navy plan. Repeat, Six Hundred. She provided fire support during Operation Desert Storm in January/February 1991. In 1998, she was donated to the USS MISSOURI Memorial Association and became a museum ship at Pearl Harbor.

#### SHOWS HIS TRUE COLORS

Early warships often carried flags from many nations on board in order to elude or deceive the enemy. The rules of civilized warfare called for all ships to hoist their true national ensigns before firing a shot. Someone who finally "shows his true colors" is acting like a man-of-war which hailed another ship flying one flag, but then hoisted their own when they got in firing range.

#### MARK TWAIN QUOTE

Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the ones you did. So throw off your bowlines. Sail away from safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore, Dream, Discover.

#### ADOPTED SHIPS UPDATE



USS NORMANDY (CG-60)

**CAPT Christopher Stone** CO: LCDR Jeremiah N. Petersen XO: CMC: CMDCM Douglas Newman

Adam J. Fiedler, M.D., Liaison

No Report.



USS CARTER HALL (LSD-50) CO: CDR Bruce W. Golden XO: CDR Matthew R. Shellock CMC: CMDCM Donavon Gray

#### Pat Robson, Liaison

Greetings from the FIGHTIN 5-0! Happy Birthday, CARTER HALL! On September 30, CARTER HALL turned 23 years old. We stand on the shoulders of the Sailors and Marines that have sailed her and set the standard for us to follow. Now, it is our time to live up to the high reputation that has been set for all of the crew.

Training, training, training! These are the words that CARTER HALL is applying as we are getting ready to go to sea. After being in the yards for eight months, we have to be fully qualified in all areas to safely operate the ship. Our sailors are working hard to complete the training before being evaluated while completing regular maintenance and assigned tasks. CARTER HALL sailors continue to perform at a high level showing their professionalism and enthusiasm.

On September 11th, CARTER HALL hosted a "September 11th Remembrance Ceremony" on our mess decks. This ceremony was led by our two Chief Selects, Chief Select Mora and Chief Select Weikel, who presented a brief on the events of that momentous day. This was followed by personal testimony by members of the crew on how they were impacted by the tragic events. This event was a needed reminder for the crew as most members joined the military after September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001.

As we enter into October, the work in the yards is continuing to progress. More and more spaces have been returned to the ship and CARTER HALL is coming to life once again. The crew of the Fightin' 5-0 continue to work hard and look forward to our exit from the yards as a fully operational warship ready to answer our We are: Working for nation's call. Peace, Ready for War!

Very Respectfully, LT Patrick D. Williams Command Chaplain Public Affairs Officer



USS GRAVELY (DDG-107) CO: CDR Justin R. Hodges XO: CDR Michael T. O'Reilly CMC: MCPO (SW/AW) Larae Baker

#### Alan Palmer, Liaison

Greetings from USS GRAVELY!

The crew was happy to return to Norfolk after our Hurricane Florence sortie, which had a significant impact on our schedule but, fortunately, did not impact the Hampton Roads area as originally forecasted. We returned to sea for a week in late September to complete Initial Ship Aviation Team Training (ISATT) with our detachment from HSM 70, which was a critical predeployment certification with the pilots, air crew and aircraft that will be embarked in GRAVELY through deployment. We were also able to complete a towed sled live fire certification event another check in the box towards Basic Phase Certification.

Following a successful week at sea, GRAVELY headed to the Naval Weapons Station in Yorktown to complete an ammunition onload. Finally, it was back to Norfolk in early October for final inport preparations for the KEARSARGE Composite Training Unit Exercise (COMPTUEX), which will serve as the deployment certification event for GRAVELY this fall. This promises to be a dynamic and challenging event, which will test the ship and crew's preparedness across all warfare areas.

Very Respectfully, XO CDR Michael T. O'Reilly



USCGC NORTHLAND (WMEC-904) CO: CDR Charles L. Banks XO: LCDR Jeremy M. Greenwood COB: ETC Joseph W. Leu

Ken Lee, Liaison

Cutter NORTHLAND is currently enjoying an extended dockside period. The crew has been working hard to complete all maintenance on board before our next inspection at the end of November. One major project that is getting ready to commence is the removal and replacement of one of our generators.

This month the crew welcomed a newly promoted chief to our mess. The ceremony was held on the flight deck, where family members had the honor of pinning on his new anchors. Also, many of our Chiefs are currently taking part in the Chief's Call to Initiation (CCTI), which is a seven week long period that officially welcomes the new chiefs into the mess.

We were excited to attend the Navy League Sea Services Luncheon, though we missed seeing Ken Lee. We hope that he is recovering well.

Very Respectfully, ENS Ashleigh N. Johnson Public Affairs Officer

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DATE: TUESDAY 13 NOVEMBER

PLACE: PUBLIX

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TIME: 11:30; SPEAKER 12:00 SPEAKER: Patrick Mooney

Research Historian, National Museum of the Marine Corps

A former United States Marine, Patrick is a historian, writer, lecturer, and historical consultant specializing in Marine Corps History, the World Wars and the American Civil War.



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