





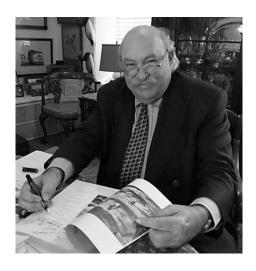
## RICHMOND, VA COUNCIL NAVY LEAGUE OF THE UNITED STATES

# CDR Theodore G. Ellyson Summer Luncheon **TOPIC: The Historic Great White Fleet** Wednesday, June 18, 2025

John V. Quarstein is an award-winning historian, preservationist, and author. He is the director emeritus of the USS Monitor Center at The Mariners' Museum and Park in Newport News, Virginia. The author of 21 books, his titles include A History of Ironclads: The Power of Iron Over Wood, CSS Virginia: Sink Before Surrender, and The Monitor Boys: The Crew of the Union's First Ironclad, winner of the 2012 Henry Adams Prize for excellence in historical literature.

Quarstein has also produced, narrated, and written several PBS documentaries, including, The Civil War in Hampton Roads series, which received a Silver Telly Award, and the award-winning film. Battle of the Ironclads.

He is an active historic preservationist and received the National Trust for Historic Preservation's President's Award for Historic Preservation and the Civil War Society's Preservation Award. He lives in the National Register of Historic Places property known as The Chamberlin on Ft. Monroe, Virginia, overlooking the site of



#### **GUEST SPEAKER**

John V. Quarstein **Director Emeritus USS Monitor Center** The Mariners' Museum And Park

the 8-9 March 1862 Battle of Hampton Roads.

Quarstein's lecture series covers a wide variety of US Navy fighting ships, including THE GREAT WHITE FLEET. about which he will speak to us. President Theodore Roosevelt ordered the Great White Fleet to steam worldwide to make friendly courtesy calls to many naval power nations. This white-painted, protected cruiser fleet showed goodwill and demonstrated America's naval power worldwide. It was a carefully concocted public relations event that helped prove that America was now a naval power to be respected by all nations.

### **LUNCHEON SCHEDULE**

DATE: Wednesday, June 18 TIME: 11:30 AM Registration

12:00 PM Luncheon 12:45 PM Program

PLACE: Willow Oaks Country Club

6228 Forest Hill Ave Richmond, VA 23225

COST: \$30.00 per person

Reservation Deadline for SUMMER LUNCHEON: To be received by Wednesday, June 11, 2025 \*\*Refund Policy 2025: Cancellations will be accepted & checks returned

# UP TO and INCLUDING the "deadline date."

RESERVATIONS FOR CDR THEODORE G. ELLYSON SUMMER LUNCHEON – WED. JUNE 18, 2025			
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Regular meal served <u>unless</u> special meal is requested (please circle): 1 or 2 Veggie Meal(s) / Fish Meal(s)			
Total # of Res@ \$	30.00 per person End	olosed: \$	
Make check payable (and mail	to: Richmond Council NLUS	P.O. Box 11201 Richmond,	VA 23230 Tel #: (804) 355-7557