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January &
February 2013

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mar 07 **INGLESIDE AREA COUNCIL**
Officer/Director's Meeting, 1130,
La Luna (106 South Austin,
Rockport), Rockport
- Mar 10 Daylight Savings Time begins
- Mar 17 St. Patrick's Day
- Mar 29 Good Friday
- Mar 31 Easter
- Apr 04 **INGLESIDE AREA COUNCIL**
Officer/Director's Meeting, 1130,
La Luna (106 South Austin,
Rockport), Rockport
- Apr 13/14 NAS Corpus Christi Air Show
(Blue Angels)

IMPORTANT :

- Check out the 15th Annual Junior Officer/Sailor/Junior Sailor of the Year Awards/BBQ flier in this newsletter!

ALL Officer/Director Meetings are OPEN to Council members! We appreciate your inputs on how to make our Council more efficient and fun. Our only request is to please tell Bull Walker [361-463-1201 or dustybulltx@gmail.com] in advance that you will be attending. We want to ensure we have ample space.

Welcome Aboard - no new members this period.

Renewed: Thomas DePUMA (9 years)

Thank you for your continued support!!

We are holding at 104!



2013
Officers/Directors:

D.B. "Bull" Walker
(President)
(National Director)

Dusty Walker (Vice
President)

Felix Keeley
(Treasurer)
(National
Director)

Pete Perkins
(Secretary)

Bill Janeczek
(Honorary Director)
Steve Morehead

Did Mother Nature get February and April mixed up? That was some wind we had February 25th!!

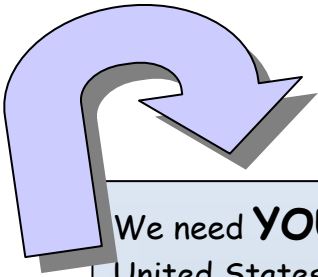
Though it has been a bit slow the first two months of 2013 our schedule is getting busier: First and foremost, please note the flier later in this issue for our **15th Annual Junior Officer/Sailor/Junior Sailor of the Year Awards and BBQ**. If you can make the event please do so. Each awardee will receive an acrylic Texas plaque and \$200.00 in cash. As a note of interest, the cash award was initiated by CAPT Norm Martin USN (ret) 15 years ago: His goal was for those young people to treat their spouses/significant others with a financial "gift" to use as needed. We continue this tradition in memory of CAPT Norm, a WW II Navy veteran and a delightful man.

We are planning trips in May in support of NJROTC and MCJROTC Award Ceremonies. We will award cadets from Rockport-Fulton HS, San Benito Veterans Memorial Academy, McAllen Memorial HS, and the Marine Military Academy with the Navy League Theodore Roosevelt Youth Medal.

Our updated website is up and running (www.navyleagueingleside.org), I hope you enjoy the new format! This site also contains many of our past newsletters. If you have any comments, forward them to me, thank you.

Our Navy Junior Reserve Office Training Corps have been busy. Please take a moment to read their articles; Thank you **Captain Jeff Carlson** (Rockport-Fulton High School) and **Lieutenant Rolando Gonzalez** (San Benito Veterans Memorial Academy).

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We need **YOU** as a citizen in support of the Sea Services (United States Navy, United States Marine Corps, United States Coast Guard, and U.S. Flag Merchant Marine).

Who is the **Navy League**?

- It is a community service organization with over **45,000** members worldwide, and **250** councils (chapters) conducting activities in local communities.
- Theodore Roosevelt promoted the founding of the Navy League in 1902, which was supported by the civilian and business communities - the condition that continues today.
- **AND everyone is eligible to be a member, we are all civilians.**

Mission and Goals:

- To educate national leaders and the nation in the necessity of a strong Maritime Service.
- Support the men and women of the *Sea Services*.
- Provide assistance to *Sea Service* families.
- Support youth programs.

Did you know?

- The US Navy has approximately the same number of ships today as **BEFORE** World War I. A serious decline that began in the 1990s and continues today due to insufficient funding.
- **95%** of world-wide trade is now transported by sea.
- The deterrent value of a strong Navy and Coast Guard and the need to protect the commercial sea lanes and maritime borders are necessary for our nation's continued vitality and strength.

America's security and economic interests extend to every region of the globe.

If you would be interested in supporting the United States Sea Services please give us a call or drop us a note. A membership application is on the next page.

Please pass this newsletter to a friend and ask them to join us.

Thank you!

MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES:

(Years as Member/Anniversary Date of Renewal)

These are the dates your membership will expire. We continue to support the Coastal Bend Military Service personnel (Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and U.S Flag Merchant Marine) and our South Texas JROTCs. We need your continued support!

Jackie & Jeff **CARLSON** (3 years, 03/31/13), Maryann & Ozel **COX** (7 years, 05/31/13), Teri & “Andy” **FICKEN** (11 years, 02/28/13), Merlin **HARTDEGEN** (7 years, 01/31/13), Fifi **KIESCHNICK** (3 years, 12/31/12), Phyllis & John **LIBERTI** (7 years, 03/31/13), Mary & Sig **MURPHY** (1 year, 12/31/12), Patrick **RIOS** (1 year, 05/31/13), and Esther P. **WILLIAMS** (9 years, 04/30/13).

If there is an error above, please contact **Bull Walker** [790-7337 (H), 463-1201 (C), or dustybulltx@gmail.com] as soon as possible—THANK YOU.

LIFE MEMBERS

(Year became LIFE members)

Nancy **ALLEN** (1988), Nancy & Ken **BLEWETT** (2000), Karen **CERVENKA** (2009), John F. **CHAPMAN** (2003), Dr. Cecil A. **CHILDERS** (1985), Cecil A. **CHILDERS III** (1993), Gloria & Bob **CLINE** (2003), “Babe” **CROUCH** (1973), Alan **DEARDORFF** (2001), Bonnie **DEMMITT** (1997), Wilson C. **EDWARDS** (1988), Norman R. **FLEEMAN, Jr.** (1998), Reneatha D. **GOLMAN** (1989), Jeff **GORDON** (1995), Alan **GRELLING** (1975), Ernest L. **HAGNESS** (1999), Genie & Frank **HAMETNER** (1988), Judy & David **HAWLEY** (2002), Nan **HONEY** (2005), Martha & Jim **ISEBELL** (2000), Bill W. **JANECEK** (1997), Pamela H. & Ronald E. **JORGENSEN** (1996), Barbara & George **KAIN** (1992), Upinder **KAMAL** (2001), Felix P. **KEELEY** (1992), Cassy B. **KEY** (2001), Larry C. **KEY** (2001), Vickie L. & Paul W. **LOEFFLER** (1999), Josephine **MILLER** (1989), John **MILLER** (1989), William M. **MILLER** (2007), Steve **MOREHEAD** (2008), Peter B. **MORGAN** (1988), Bob **O'DONNELL** (1993), Christine M. **PENNING** (2003), Ron **PIFER** (2001), Billie N. & Clayton E. **POENISCH** (2000), Oralia & Felix C. **RAMIREZ** (1992), Jim A. **ROBINSON** (1986), Steve A. **STEPHENSON** (1999), Chela **STORM** (2000), Tina **TREADWAY** (1989), Diane & W. Aaron **TUCKER** (2002), Donna & William R. **VADEN** (1998), Marcia W. & Donald B. **WALKER** (1994), Elaine **WILLEFORD-KEMP** (1992), Suzy **WILLIAMS** (1973), Ronald R. **WOODRUFF** (2001), and Carl D. **WORKMAN** (2002).

Total of 62!



On December 21st we ended the year with an NJROTC Christmas Party to reward the Cadets for their hard work. Turkey and ham were the main course accompanied by all the sides. Afterwards, various games were played by Cadets including Dodge Ball, Football and Basketball

January 26th found fifty-one San Benito High School NJROTC Cadets out in force in San Benito. Their mission; to help clean up their city and show pride in community. The

Cadets were able to earn some of their community service hours by cleaning up the area on Business 77 starting from East Stenger and going west to McCullough. The Cadets were able to pick up a lot of trash and ended the day, with a well deserved lunch/snack at Little Caesar's Pizza. Thank you to all the Cadets that came out to help Beautify San Benito.



Finally on February 16th San Benito Veterans Memorial Academy NJROTC celebrated its 13th Annual Military Ball at the Rancho Viejo Country Club. One hundred and thirty Cadets and their guests arrived enjoying fine dining and dancing. The male cadets donned their Service Dress Blue uniforms while the females wore evening gowns.





The Rockport-Fulton High School Navy Junior ROTC has begun its Spring Semester preparing for the Area 10 NJROTC Championship Drill Meet to be held at Texas A&M University in College Station on March 1st and 2nd. This brings together 18 highly competitive NJROTC high schools from the majority of the State of Texas based on results from state-wide drill meets held throughout the school year. This is the third consecutive year that RFHS has qualified to attend the championship and we are looking to improve on our overall 8th place finish from last year. As a tune-up for the Area 10 Championship, RFHS competed in the Tomball Classic JROTC Drill Meet held at Tomball High School in the Houston area on February 2nd.

Over 35 cadets competed in Armed and Unarmed Drill, Physical Fitness, Academic Knowledge, Uniform Inspection, and Color Guard events, with our Unarmed Drill Team taking a 3rd place trophy and our Color Guard earning a 4th place trophy.

Additionally, we are preparing for our annual Military Ball to be held at the Rockport Country Club on February 22nd. This gala event includes a sit down meal, a Navy cake (it wouldn't be an official Navy function without one!!) and dancing for our cadets and their dates as well as other guests. We follow that up with our annual support to the FVFD Ladies Auxiliary as we man the Soda Booth at Oysterfest March 7th through the 10th. Lastly, we will be doing a community service project for the City of Rockport as we man the water stations and perform road guard duties for the annual Whooping Crane Strut, Run and Walk on March 10th. We then head off on a well-deserved Spring Break! When we come back we'll be training hard for the Islander Challenge, a JROTC physical fitness and leadership challenge competition held at Texas A&M – Corpus Christi, run by the TAMUCC Army ROTC cadre on Saturday, March 23rd. This is one of the most rigorous and physically demanding events our cadets will participate in this year but it always turns out to be a lot of fun. Wish us luck!

15th Annual Junior Officer/Sailor/Junior Sailor of the Year Awards and BBQ

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WHEN: Wednesday, March 20, 2013, 12:30PM

WHERE: Coast Guard Harbor Facility, 1201 E. Navigation Blvd., Corpus Christi, TX 78402-1911

WHAT: This event highlights three outstanding Coast Guard personnel nominated by his/her parent commands. Each is a superstar in their own rights. Please come out to meet and congratulate these fine young military people.



Directions: TX 181 (South), Lexington/Aquarium exit, follow Joe Fulton Corridor, left @ entrance for Sam Kane, go though Security (picture ID required for all occupants), go to stop sign, right turn, go approximately ½ mile, left turn into Coast Guard Facility (well marked).




If you would like to attend, please notify Bull in advance, so we can have your name at Port Security for ease of entry.

HELP US BUILD OUR NAVY LEAGUE COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP! Use the form below or go to our website www.navyleagueingleside.org and sign someone up. Either bring it and the person(s) to our next All-Hands function or **mail it to the address below**. This will ensure that the individual gets future newsletters as soon as possible.

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THANKS YOU!!

 Membership is open to U. S. citizens who are not on active duty with any military service.

Name (Mr., Mrs., Dr., Etc) First Name Middle Init Last Name

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City State Zip Code (+4)

Business Phone Home Phone Date of Birth

INGLESIDE AREA

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Method of Payment:

- o Check enclosed (MAKE PAYABLE TO NLUS)
- o Please charge my: VISA MasterCard AMEX

Mail this form and payment (payable to NLUS) to Bull Walker, 2515 Turkey Neck Circle, Rockport, Texas 78382-3530 to expedite your membership

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TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP (please check one)

- o Regular, ONE YEAR \$50.00
- o Regular TWO YEAR \$90.00
- o Regular THREE YEAR \$125.00
- o Spouse of Active Duty Member \$30.00
- o Husband/Wife Joint membership\$85.00
- o LIFE MEMBER\$500.00
- o HUSBAND/WIFE LIFE MEMBERSHIP\$750.00
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