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January & February
2017

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mar 12 Daylight Savings Time
- Mar 17 19th Annual USCG Junior Officer/Sailor/Junior Sailor of the Year Awards/ BBQ (see attached flier)
- Apr 01-02 Blue Angels, NAS Corpus Christi
- Apr 06 **INGLESIDE AREA COUNCIL** Officer/Director's Lunch Meeting, 1130, location TBD
- Apr 16 Easter
- Apr 18 Tax Day
- Apr 30 Vietnam ends (1975)

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.

New Members

Wilbur O. Meador, Big Sandy, TX
and
Kathy Moore, CAPT, USCG, Corpus Christi, TX

Welcome Aboard!



Officers/Directors:

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

Dusty Walker (Vice
President)

Felix Keeley (Treasurer)
(Lone Star Regional
President) (National
Director)

Pete Perkins
(Secretary)

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Director)

Steve Morehead

WELCOME ABOARD Wilbur O. Meador and Kathy Moore!

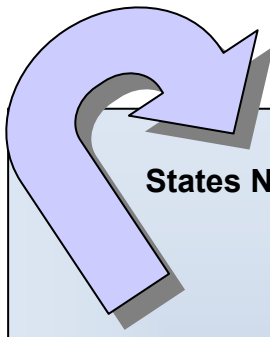
I am sorry to report that longtime Navy League member and Sea Cadet mainstay **WL "Babe" Crouch** passed away 17 November 2016. **Babe** was a member of the **INGLESIDE AREA**, Corpus Christi, and Kingsville Councils and very active in the Coastal Bend sea Cadet Program from 2004—2012. Before that he was instrumental in all Sea Cadet programs throughout Texas. His "Celebration of Life" was held on the USS Lexington, January 7th. **Babe** will be truly missed.

On a much lighter side, your Navy League Council, the **INGLESIDE AREA COUNCIL**, will be holding its 19th Annual United States Coast Guard, Sector Corpus Christi, Junior Officer/Sailor/Junior Sailor of the Year Awards Ceremony and BBQ on Saint Patrick's Day. Please see the flier later in this newsletter.

Navy League membership is on the increase. Most popular of the membership options appears to be the Electronic Membership. As such, one receives all correspondence electronically including the digital edition of the **SEAPOW** magazine.

Don't forget to "spring ahead" (Daylight Savings Time) later this month.

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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 II. 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 last page of the newsletter.

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

Thank you!

MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES:

(Years as Member/Anniversary Date of Renewal)

NOTE: National Navy League is updating the On-Line-Community, the program that we use to update our local records, therefore this information may be incorrect. Hopefully we'll have more accurate information soon. In the meantime, if there any errors please contact Bull Walker [790-7337 (H), 463-1201 (C)], or dustybulltx@gmail.com as soon as possible—
THANK YOU.

Tom DePuma (13 years, 02/28/17), Terri Ficken (10 years, 03/31/17), Michael J. Hulsey (1 year, 06/30/17), and Esther P. Williams (13 years, 02/28/17)

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), 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), Frank **HAMETNER** (1988), Judy & David **HAWLEY** (2002), Martha & Jim **ISBELL** (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), Ronald R. **WOODRUFF** (2001), and Carl D. **WORKMAN** (2002).

Total of 58!

19th Annual Junior Officer/Sailor/Junior Sailor of the Year Awards and BBQ

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- WHEN:** Friday, March 17, 2017, at 12:30 PM.
- WHERE:** Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, US Coast Guard Hangar #41.
- WHAT:** This event highlights three outstanding Coast Guard personnel nominated by their parent commands from the District. Each is a superstar in their own right. Please come out and congratulate these fine young military people.

If you would like to attend please plan ahead. **DIRECTIONS:** Go to the NAS Corpus Christi's South Gate (off of SPID). At the gate you will be required to show your driver's license (all occupants in the vehicle must have a picture ID) and Navy League membership card. The guard will direct you to "Pass & Tag" adjacent to the gate. Inside you will be again required to show your driver's license, Navy League membership card, PLUS vehicle proof of insurance. They will give you a pass and provide directions to the Coast Guard Hangar.

This is always a fun event! We hope that you can join us!

If you would like to attend, please notify Bull in advance, so we can coordinate with Security.





Los Fresnos continues its winning ways. Completed a successful Annual Military Inspection, conducted by Area TEN NJROTC Manager. We strive for our 15th consecutive Distinguished Unit Award. Looking good.

We travel to our 15th consecutive State Finals competition this weekend. Another milestone, all while having a great time.

Chief Carlos Marquez



Coast Guard Station South Padre Island. TX

U.S. Department of
Homeland Security
**United States
Coast Guard**



Members Reported Aboard:

FN Crowley, SN Nagle, FA Hunn, ME3 Epp, SN Curran, FNMK Manes, and SA Ingle

Qualifications received:

Communications Watchstander: FN Crowley, FNMK Martinez, FN Manes, SN Ingle, and SA Rivera

33' SPC-LE Crew Member: BM3 Coon, BM3 Taylor, BM3 Ureno, and MK3 Scriven

33' SPC-LE Coxswain: BM3 Cisneros

33' SPC-LE Pursuit Coxswain: BM2 Lopez

45' RBM Pursuit Crew Member: MK2 Knight

45' RBM Crew Member: MK2 Cavazos, BM3 Martinez, BM2 Clooney, MK3 Scriven, and BM3 Hernandez

45' RBM Pursuit Coxswain: BM3 Williams

45' RBM Coxswain: BM3 Donnelly and BMC Pedrus

Boarding Team Member: ME3 Epp and MK3 Scriven

NOTE: FA = Fireman Apprentice (E-2), FN = Fireman (E-3) , SA = Seaman Apprentice (E-2), SN = Seaman (E-3), BM = Boatswain's Mate [BM3 (E-4), BM2 (E-5), BMC (E-7)], ME = Maritime Law Enforcement Specialist, and MK = Machinery Technician.

Unit Events:

Provided a Funeral Honor Detail for a local Coast Guard veteran.

The boat crews have assisted 11 mariners during this time frame.

Completed a successful Ready For Operations visit from Sector Corpus Christi. The visit evaluates our training program, condition of the boats, safety equipment, and professional

THERE'S NO PAUSE IN THE ACTION HERE. WHY SO SLOW WITH FUNDING?

Due to a lack of replacements, U.S. Navy aircraft that were designed to fly 6,000 hours are now expected to fly 10,000 hours.

After 13 years of war and a decade of insufficient funding for a growing number of missions requiring air power from the sea, our Navy needs new aircraft and significant maintenance. The plans are in place, but the funding isn't. Tell Congress we can't wait any longer for a next-generation Navy.

DON'T LET THE NAVY-MARINE CORPS TEAM BE CUT SHORT.

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MAKE AS MANY COPIES AS NEEDED, PLEASE PRINT!

THANK 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

Name of Spouse (Mr., Mrs, etc) First Middle Init Last Name

City State Zip Code (+4)

Business/Mobile Phone Home Phone Date of Birth

Sponsor's Last Name Sponsor Member # **INGLESIDE AREA**
New Member's Council

METHOD OF PAYMENT:

- Check enclosed (MAKE PAYABLE TO NLUS)
- 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.

MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS (please check one):

- 1-Year Premium Regular/International Individual \$55.00
- 2-year Premium \$100.00
- 3-year Premium \$130.00
- 4-year Premium \$180.00
- 5-year Premium \$225.00
- E-Membership \$25.00
- Life (to age 55) \$1000.00
- Life (age 56-75) \$750.00
- Life (age 76+) \$500.00
- Community Affiliate (Application) \$460.00

Card # Expiration Date

Signature

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