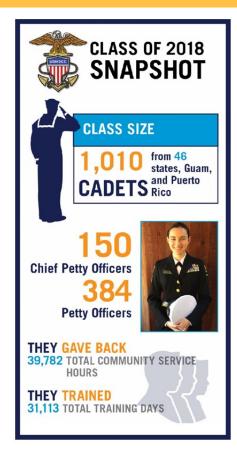


**July 2018** 

Baseball. Fleet Week. No Meeting Fundraiser. Awards and More.



#### **Scholarship No Meeting Fundraiser**

This month, 1,010 Sea Cadets will graduate from the Cadet program. From enlisting in the Navy to pursuing a commission to entering college and joining the workforce, Sea Cadets leave our program confident and ready to meet the challenges of this world.

To help our Sea Cadets in their next steps toward a college education we are asking you to help us build the next generation of leaders by supporting our July and August No Meeting Fundraiser. All proceeds raised from your donations of what you would have spent toward a T-Bone dinner will be added to our Scholarship Fund.

A special shout-out goes to Marty and Mary Fitzurka who have already donated their "No Meeting" dinner donation of \$100 toward the Scholarship Fund.

Each individual who donates toward the fundraiser before the September 4<sup>th</sup> dinner meeting will be entered into a special summer gift basket raffle.

Use our <u>Donate</u> button on our website to make a donation, or this form to send a check made payable to Imperial Valley Navy League. All donations are completely tax deductible. Thank you for helping us create the leaders of tomorrow.

### Join us for Padres Baseball!

We'll be celebrating the Coast Guard's 228th Birthday

with an outing to <u>Petco Park</u> with our USCG PETREL crew to watch the <u>San Diego Padres</u> and <u>Colorado Rockies</u> on Saturday, August 31st.

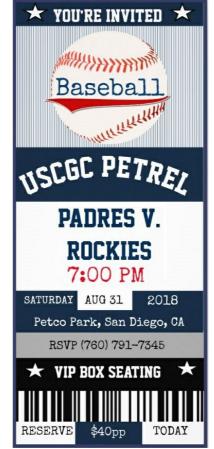
Beat the heat for some baseball, cool(er) weather, and the great crew of our adopted Coast Guard vessel and their families.

We have reserved a 35-seat premium box seating with hospitality service at your seat (dinner and drinks on your own). We have only five (5) available seats remaining, so don't delay in getting on board for this great event.

Thank you **USAA** for underwriting a portion of the event with a \$500 donation!

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# We Don't Like To Brag, but...You're Doing Greeeeaaaaat!

Seriously, we don't like to brag, but we must give a shout out to all the GREAT work you do as a volunteer and member of our council. Our collective efforts have garnered significant recognition both nationally and internationally.

Our Imperial Valley Council is small, but carries out its mission in big ways. During Navy League's National Convention held in Portland this month, we "swept" awards in all four categories. You can read the <u>convention program</u> here:

Navy League Meritorious Council Award

1st Place Donald M. Mackie Award | Websites

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#### 1st Place Donald M. Mackie Award | Social Media

Congratulations, and Thank you for your commitment to being the best we can be!

# **Congressional Update: Your Voice Matters**

### **Support the Energizing America Shipbuilding Act**

On Maritime Day, May 22, Rep. John Garamendi (D-Calif.) and Sen. Roger Wicker (R-Miss.) introduced the Energizing America Shipbuilding Act. The Navy League is a strong supporter of this bipartisan bill, and National President Alan Kaplan spoke at the official press conference.

Video of the event is below, with Kaplan speaking at minute 10 of Part 2:

Part 1: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RsGaxTnuKLM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RsGaxTnuKLM</a>
Part 2: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IgAP1T43uOE">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IgAP1T43uOE</a>

A Voice-to-Congress campaign in support of this bill can be found <u>here</u>. Please click on the link and express your support for this bill that would require a small percentage (10 to 15 percent) of U.S. crude oil and liquified natural gas exports be transported on U.S.-built and U.S.-flag tankers, eventually resulting in 50 additional ships under U.S.-flag while generating thousands of shipyard and Merchant Marine jobs.

#### **Member Benefits**



The number of Navy League affiliates has grown over the past couple of months. Audiobooks.com, Barnes and Noble, Budget Pet Care, CheapOair, ebooks.com, Kaplan IT Training and Walgreens now offer special benefits for Navy League members. For more information on those benefits, please visit the member benefits page on the Member Portal.

Two new discounts are now available for Navy League

members.

**Wagreens** is offering Buy One-Get One 50% off discount on sun-care products. <u>Buy 1</u> Get 1 50% OFF Sun Care

**CheapOair** is offering round-trip fares under \$199 for Navy League members. Learn more about the offer by following the link. <u>Check Out Our Round-trip Fares UNDER</u> \$199 at CheapOair

### Don't have access to the Member Portal? Get one today!

Headquarters is making it easier to manage your membership and benefits. <u>Create your account today</u>.

# **President's Message**

This month marks the 242nd birthday of our great nation. Let's celebrate the land of the free and the home of the brave!

Freedom has a price. Its currency is the blood of those who paid the bill. They can be found at Arlington, Normandy and scores of other places of rest where Americans died so that others might live in freedom.

As we celebrate the Fourth of July, it is fitting that I encourage our members to read the words penned by our forefathers -- the <u>Declaration of Independence</u>. Let their words now inspire you to be the voice of our country so that others will not forget what made us



the land of the free, just as their words inspired a new nation 242 years ago.

Summer is in full swing, and our high temperatures are proving it. I hope you will join me in supporting our "No Meeting Fundraiser" to fund our scholarship, and will plan to attend our San Diego Padres baseball outing on August 31st. We'll celebrate the Coast Guard's birthday with an evening at Petco Park -- there are only five (5) tickets left. Don't get shut out of the game!

Make this Fourth of July memorable by counting your blessings and truly appreciating your freedom. Happy 4th!

#### Ted

Ted Gallinat, President Imperial Valley Council Navy League of the U.S. www.ivnavyleague.org ivnavyleague@yahoo.com

#### LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO DO?

- Independence Day: July 4
- National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day: July 27
- Coast Guard Birthday: Aug. 4
- Purple Heart Day: Aug. 7
- National Aviation Day: August 19
- USCGC PETREL@ Padres v. Rockies: Aug. 31 Get your Tickets!
- LA Fleet Week: Aug. 31-Sept. 3

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