

# The Ship's Whistle



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An occasional e-mail bulletin of newsworthy information for Members of the **Massachusetts Bay Council**, Navy League of the United States and other friends of the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and U.S.-flag Merchant Marine. The Navy League is unique among military-oriented associations in that it is a civilian organization dedicated to the education of our citizens, including elected officials; and the support of the men and women of the sea services and their families.



Please observe the ordered and recommended actions for avoiding contact and spread of this terrible virus. [To the best of our knowledge, we are fortunate that no member of our Mas. Bay Council has contracted Covid-19.]

## COUNCIL PLANS- All events pending

Oct	Navy Birthday event TBD
Dec	Toys for Tots event TBD



**NOTE:** Council Board meetings will be held by tele-conference until further notice. If interested in attending, contact this editor for details.

## SEA CADET NEWS

**Constitution Division** Commanding Officer, Alfred D. McMullen, Jr., reports that the unit has not met formally since the stand down. However, Cadets have been doing virtual training, PT Testing and one community service event.

Training has included Virtual Public Safety, Homeland Security, Virtual Navy Shore, Marine Mammal Research, Virtual Public Safety Hazardous Material, Virtual Navy Shore, Naval Sea Cadet Recruit Training, Virtual Naval League Cadet Orientation Training, Virtual Naval League Cadet STEM/SeaPerch Training, Aviation Flight Training, and Virtual Naval League Cadet Master-At-Arms Training.

The unit held a Retirement of Flag Ceremony at Amvets, Haverhill, MA, with Six cadets.

## Other events to pique your interest:

### 2020 Newport Summer Symposium

Friday, August 21, 2020 | 11:00am - 1:00pm EDT

"U.S. Strategic Considerations for an Effective Foreign Policy" with featured speakers:

**Admiral Michael Rogers**, former Director of the National Security Agency and Commander of U.S. Cyber Command

**Dr. Yvonne Chiu**, Associate Professor of Strategy and Policy at the U.S. Naval War College

**Mr. Michael Zezas**, Head of U.S. Public Policy and Municipal Credit Strategy and a Managing

Director in Research at Morgan Stanley

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<https://www.wirestream.tv/customer/nwcf/2020/08-21/>

Also:

### Navy League Learns: Shipbuilding Webinar Tue, Aug 25, 2020 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM EDT

How is U.S. naval shipbuilding being reshaped for the future? What ship management, maintenance, and ship modernization changes have occurred since the COVID-19 pandemic? How have these changes reshaped the relationship between shipbuilders and industry leaders? Learn more about the challenges and opportunities in shipbuilding through our upcoming webinar.

The webinar features Navy and industry experts, including Rear Admirals. Tom Anderson and Eric Ver Hage, discussing the current state of the shipbuilding industry and what changes have been implemented since the COVID-19 pandemic.

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## SEA CADET NEWS (Cont'd)

Despite the restrictions for Covid-19, our Sea Cadet units were able to engage in some activities. Masks and social distancing were observed.

### Gosnold Division and Patriot State



LCDR Jim Mcloughlin was able to conduct Boot Camp 2020 in July. Cadets studied and practiced Fire Fighting, Swimming and Rescue, Alcohol and Drug Awareness, pass a Physical Training test and uniform inspection, et al, in five 8-hour days plus 40 hours of virtual learning over two weeks.

### David G. Oullette Division



LTJG Robert Pallazolla reports that they had a drill and did the PRT, issued Type III uniforms, conducted a tactical fire team drill, and presented awards and advancements

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## COAST GUARD BIRTHDAY

The Coast Guard celebrated its 230th birthday Aug. 4.

Founded as the Revenue Cutter Service in 1790, by Secretary of the Treasury Alexander Hamilton.

Congress authorized the building of a fleet of the first ten Revenue Service cutters, whose responsibility would be enforcement of the first tariff laws enacted by the U.S. Congress under the U.S. Constitution.



## MARINE CORPS FORCE DESIGN

In case you missed it, the Marine Corps has started implementing **Force Design 2030**, a new structure centered on smaller, more mobile, and less detectable formations equipped with an array of advanced long-range precision weapons, unmanned vehicles and cyber capabilities. In theory, these units would “shoot-and-scoot,” frequently moving to deny the enemy the ability to find them. The plan will set Marines up for future fights, defending ships while at sea and operating in hotly contested spots near the shore.

To be ready for those missions, Commandant Gen. David Berger said the Marine Corps must get smaller to get better. That includes cutting all tank battalions, some artillery and certain air assets.

More information may be found if you search the Internet for “Force Design 2030”.



**USS Thomas Hudner (DDG 116)** joined members of the U.S. Coast Guard, Canadian Armed Forces, French Navy, and the Royal Danish Navy, to participate in the maritime component of Operation NANOOK-TUUGAALIK 2020.

Operation NANOOK is the Canadian Armed Forces’ signature northern operation, comprising a series of comprehensive, joint, interagency, and multinational activities designed to exercise the defense of Canada and security in the region. NANOOK-TUUGAALIK is the maritime component of the NANOOK series of deployments and training events and designed as a maritime presence operation and domain awareness of the seas in the Eastern Arctic.

**Important things to do while you are quarantined at home. Contact your senators and Representatives on the Navy League supported issues.**

### **Current Navy League Campaigns**

#### **Urge the Senate to support our Submarine force!**

As our nation shifts its focus to great power competition, it is imperative that Congress provide our naval forces with the right mix of ships for the fleet.

For more information go to: <https://navyleague.quorum.us/campaign/27411/>

#### **Ask Congress to Reinforce America's Tanker Fleet!**

We cannot rely on foreign tankers to safeguard America's national security interests.

For more information go to: <https://navyleague.quorum.us/campaign/27684/>

#### **Support Maritime Transportation Sector Emergency Relief!**

Without assistance, our ports will be unable to continue expediting the transport of needed medical supplies amidst the current pandemic.

For more information, go to: <https://navyleague.quorum.us/campaign/28216/>

#### **Support the Jones Act!**

The Jones Act provides essential to America's maritime security and it is under attack! Please stand up for our Merchant Marines and American shipbuilders by telling Congress to support the Jones Act!

For more information go to: <https://navyleague.quorum.us/campaign/26630/>

#### **Ask Congress to Support the Sea Cadets**

Last year in fiscal year 2020 Congress appropriated additional funds on top of the Navy request for a total of \$6 million, we are asking for Congress to again match this funding level for a total of \$6 million in fiscal year 2021.

For more information go to:

<https://navyleague.quorum.us/campaign/26687/>

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