

# The Ship's Whistle



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An 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.

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Ship whistles: ships use their whistles (horns) as directional signals when passing another vessel, sounded in port when leaving the dock, moving astern and in emergency situations.

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## PLANNED EVENTS:

- March. We are planning for a Navy ship tour and, perhaps, a reception aboard.
- April. USS Thomas Hudner (DDG 116) Christening in Bath, ME. Commissioning in Boston in 2018.
- May. Armed Forces Day event.
- June. Navy League Convention in Milwaukee. All Members welcome and encouraged to attend.

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## RECENT EVENTS:

Please Don't Come Luncheon. This non-event (continuing) is raising funds to support our youth programs.



40<sup>th</sup> Annual council **Toys for Tots Brunch** with drawings for outstanding items and a silent auction on line. A good time by attendees and raised \$ 3,000. plus collected toys. Thanks to all contributors, participants and donors of the drawing items.

## TWO NEW BOOKS WRITTEN BY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

“Overrun - The Battle for Firebase 14”. About Vietnam and USS Kitty Hawk (CVA 63). Author: Dr. Jeffrey Ahlin. Available on Amazon. “The Siren’s Call and Second Chances”. Authors: Medal of Honor recipient Thomas Kelley and Joan Kelley. Available soon on Amazon.

## SEA CADETS

JROTCs (in Eastern Massachusetts

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Are you aware that we have NJROTCS and MCJROTCs active in



Oullette Div., NSCC, field trip to USS Constitution and USS Cassin Young (DD 793)

Squadron 7 Zulu Color Guard at the Norwell-Hanover Thanksgiving Day Football game



(onLEFT) Oullette Division participated in Wreaths Across America program, laying wreaths at veterans' graves. (on RIGHT) League Cadet Sean Singh (**Patriot State**) and Sea Cadet Riley Craig (**Gosnold**) received NL Youth Medals presented by council VP Genevieve Guimond.



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USS THOMAS HUDNER (DDG 116) in October 2016. Scheduled for commissioning in Boston



in 2018.



courtesy of BIW.

Photos

Another year plus to look like this...

