



Port of Pittsburgh

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Letter from the President

Greetings fellow Navy League citizen! Please welcome our newest members, **Tiffany Bender, Barbara McFarland, David Shields,** and **Rev. Larry Adams.** Special thanks goes to Rev. Adams for accepting the nomination and appointment as one of our council's Chaplains.

Spring is in the air and our Navy League mission is once again well underway. Our **Annual Awards Dinner** in February kicked off our efforts to honor 10 sea service members in our area. More **Outreach** and **Educational** activities in support of our sea services in the spirit of **Patriotism** and **Gratitude** are coming up in the months ahead. Please check out the schedule and consider attending one of these important events. We are kicking off a major fundraising event: **OPERATION SEAPOWER.** Many of our members are unable to attend our array of events to help defray costs. This event will provide a fresh opportunity to enable all our members to support our events.

Pittsburgh Navy Week celebration begins June 2nd and extends through the 7th and 8th when the **Navy Blue Angels** will fly at **Latrobe!** We hope to sponsor a picnic lunch in Latrobe to see the Blue Angels; member support is needed to organize. We have several more opportunities to meet and support our local sailors. The **Annual Kentucky Derby Party** benefits the **USS Pittsburgh Scholarship Fund** and the **Annual Golf Tournament** benefits the **USS Pittsburgh Children's Christmas Party Fund.** Of special note: our **Sea Cadets are celebrating their 50th Anniversary** since they were established. **Brad Harrison** is heading up a fund-raising event this summer at *Chick-fil-A* restaurant in Monroeville to help support the celebration. Have a meal and the profits go to Navy League to support our Sea Cadets! Our



**The Navy League of the United States
Serving the Sea Services since 1902**

Council will also support the youth in our university and high school level ROTC programs by acknowledging award recipients of these units, including presenting a Navy officer's sword to **MIDN 1/C Tyler Bothel, USN,** NROTC CMU, nominated by his unit to receive the **Navy League of Pittsburgh Midshipman of the Year Award.**

As **Memorial Day** approaches, please call your family and friends together to attend your local community's parades or other events to honor our men and women in uniform, past and present, guardians of our Liberty. By all means, please represent the **Navy League of the United States, Pittsburgh Council** in your area at these events and send a note we can share with our fellow Council members. My family and I will once again be representing our Council with other members at the Memorial Day events in Elizabeth, PA.

Looking forward to meeting you at one of our several events this quarter!

In support of our sea services,
Henry

Calendar of Events-2014

- Feb. 8 Annual Council Awards Dinner
Pittsburgh Athletic Assn.
- Apr. 11 CMU ROTC Awards Program
- Apr. 27 Hershey Park Military Day
- May 3 Kentucky Derby Party-benefit for
USS Pittsburgh Scholarship Fund
- May 8 Penn Hills NJROTC Awards
- May 17 CMU NROTC Commissioning
Ceremony
Marine JROTC, Ambridge High
Military Ball
- May 22 Veteran's Leadership Program of
Western Pennsylvania
- May 25-26 Memorial Day Celebration and
Parade, Elizabeth, PA
- June 2 Ribbon Cutting, NOSC at 911th
- June 2-6 Navy Fleet Week
- June 6 Golf Tournament-*USS Pittsburgh*
Children's Christmas Party
Benefit
- June 13 Change of Command, Marine
Recruiting Station, Pittsburgh
Heinz Field, 1000
- July 2-4 Three Rivers Regatta, Pittsburgh
- Aug. Steelers' Training Camp Picnic
- Sept. VA Picnic/Cookout, Aspinwall
Military Day at Kennywood
- Oct. Navy Birthday Ball, Solders &
Sailors Hall
- Nov. 11 Veterans Day
- Dec. Election of Officers for 2015

Hershey Park Military Day--April 27

The Hershey Park is sponsoring a military day on April 27 from 10 AM to 6:00 PM. Cost is \$25/person 3 years and up. Normal cost is \$59 per person. Great bargain and maybe by then we will actually have spring weather! Free parking is offered and the gates open at 9:30 A.M. Military, including active, reserve, retirees and DOD civilians are eligible. Buy tickets with your ID at Ticket Building, Tram Circle. Semi-private event---the park will not be open for general public.

Military Appreciation Day-Penn State

Penn State Men's Baseball is pleased to announce Military Appreciation Day on Friday, April 18th. Four FREE tickets are available to Currently Serving Military Members, Wounded Warriors, Veterans, and immediate family members of the Fallen Military Members. Additional tickets are available for \$2 each. Call 814-272-1711, use promotion code, "camo" to obtain your free/reduced cost tickets. You must show I.D. to pick up tickets at Medlar Field Ticket Office.

In recognition of April's Month of the Military Child, the baseball team invites military children ages 13 and under to join them on the field post-game for a group photo.

Thank you and hope you will be able to join us as Penn State takes on Illinois at Medlar Field at Lubrano Park, 701 Porter Road, State College). Game time is 6:30 PM! Please help us spread the word!

Retirement of Chief Matthew Beltz

A number of Navy League members had the privilege of attending the retirement ceremony for **Chief Matthew Beltz** on 23 March. Many of you may remember Chief Beltz for all of his hard work on the Navy Balls. Congrats to Chief, his wife Allison and daughter Sara on your service to our country.



Allison Beltz, Polly Bozdech-Veater & Chief Beltz

Navy Week, Pittsburgh

Submitted by MCC (SW/AW) George Kusner III

Navy Week Pittsburgh will be held from June 2-6 and will coincide with the Wings Over Pittsburgh Air Show in Latrobe, PA on the 7th and 8th. Pittsburgh last hosted a Navy Week in 2005 and was supposed to again last year, but it was cancelled because of budget constraints.

Up to a hundred outreach events will be setup in the area including the following:

Arial show by the "Blue Angels," the Navy Flight Demonstration Team;
 Navy Divers and/or Navy Explosive Ordinance Disposal teams;
 Events with the Sailors from *USS Constitution*, the oldest commissioned warship afloat in the world;
 Musical performances by Navy Band Northeast;
 Meetings and speeches by Navy admirals and other senior Navy leaders for local corporate, civic, government and education leaders;
 Visits by hometown and namesake Sailors to area schools;
 Sailors participating in community service projects;
 Sailors at events with local sports franchises;
 Sailors engaging with local veterans.

OPERATION SEAPOWER Fund-Raising Campaign

by **Jim Bendel**, NLUS
 Past President, Pittsburgh Council

The local initiatives by our Navy League Members have given solid support to our men and women in uniform. Through the years, the efforts to advance the mission of Navy League have empowered these personnel to recognize that "their personal

and family sacrifices" are understood and do have meaning to community members.

In numerous ways, the Navy League has advanced the cause of maritime services in our area including the Sea Cadets, Carnegie Mellon NROTC Unit, Navy & Marine JROTC Penn Hills and Ambridge High School Units, the USCG Marine Safety Unit and USCGC Osage, Navy and Marine NOSC, Veteran's Hospital, and the Navy Birthday Ball. In addition, we are very proud of our strong ties to the current city namesake, the attack submarine, *USS Pittsburgh* (SSN-720). Representatives from the Pittsburgh region, especially the USS Pittsburgh Relief Crew, have been in direct contact with the "boat's" personnel, either through anniversary celebrations, cruises at sea, visits to the sub, supporting the children's Christmas party and awarding of scholarship's to the crew and family members.

These extraordinary activities require financial support—annual costs are not being offset due to low member attendance at events and low corporate/affiliate business support. As loyal members of the Navy League, you will be receiving correspondence in the mail requesting your financial support so that the local leadership is equipped with the funds to give the best possible support to our service personnel. You have been generous in past years so that we might strengthen our treasury. We thank you for your consideration on this occasion.

Reminder

Remember to check our website, navyleaguepittsburgh.org for updates and information on meetings and events. Our Port of Pittsburgh Newsletters (current and past) are posted there.

The "Georgia Swamp Fox" that Fathered the Two Ocean Navy

Submitted by **Bob MacPherson**

"The most expensive thing in the world is a cheap Army and Navy" Congressman Carl Vinson

On March 15 1980, Carl Vincent attended the launching of the ship that bore his name. He was 96 years old at the time but his connection to Naval Aviation and warships is one that set the tone for our modern Navy. Most people have long since forgotten the role that the "Georgia Swamp Fox" played in the creation of a two-ocean Navy by a piece of legislation he pushed through in the height of the Depression (March of 1934). His pivotal role was one of the most significant in modern naval preparedness and holds lessons for us even today.

Carl Vincent, D. GA, served as a member of the House of Representatives for a period that lasted from November 3, 1914, to January 3, 1965. For much of his time in Congress, that included a record breaking twenty-nine years as Chairman of the House Naval Affairs and later Armed Services Committee. What set him apart from others that have played the role, however, is his unique vision and passion for the welfare of the nation and it's Navy. He is remembered for many statements, but one of the ones that exemplify this is when he said: *"No country has a moral right to demand that her Sailors go into battle with strength and equipment inferior to an opponent's."*

That attitude resulted in one of the most important laws to come out of the House in the 1930s. Americas fleet and potential growth were still hobbled by the treaties meant to limit the size of the major powers fleets after World War I. The nations involved in the Washington Naval Treaty had seen the wastefulness of spending on huge and growing fleets around the world. This "arms race" threatened to force the countries involved into potentially hostile situations that would lead to yet another World War. So the parties involved set down the limits that were meant to stem the flow of money and material into their fleets. These included:

- A ten-year pause or "holiday" in the construction of capital ships (battleships and battle cruisers), including the immediate suspension of all capital ship building.
- The scrapping of existing, or planned, capital ships so as to give a 5:5:3:1.75:1.75 ratio of tonnage between the US, Britain, Japan, France and Italy.
- Ongoing limits of both capital ship tonnage, and the tonnage of secondary vessels, with the 5:5:3 ratios.

In the beginning, the nations involved gave compliance to the treaty in the hopes that all would follow suit. As time wore on though, a number of factors intervened that would spell defeat for the treaty and the prospects for peace. Changes in leadership in Japan and Germany, coupled with economic upheaval around the globe during the ensuing decades, set the stage for a clash that the United States was ill prepared for. Naval shipbuilding during this time period had been strangled to a halt. By the time 1934 arrived, not a single ship had been laid down during the previous administration. The Japanese would formally repudiate the treaty in late 1934 and the Germans would shortly follow as they consolidated power under Adolph Hitler's Nazi's.

In 1931, Vinson became chairman of the House Naval Affairs Committee. In 1934, he recognized the state of the nation's fleet in relation to the threats involved and helped create the Vinson-Trammell Act, along with Senator Park Trammell of Florida. This bill authorized the replacement of obsolete vessels by new construction and a gradual increase of ships within the limits of the Washington Naval Treaty, 1922 and London Naval Treaty, 1930.

The funding for the Vinson-Trammell Navy Act was provided by the Emergency Appropriations Act of 1934. This was critical since during the previous administration, not a single major warship was laid down and the US Navy was both aging and being outpaced by the Japanese Navy. Vinson's leadership was responsible for Naval Act of 1938 ("Second Vinson Act") and the

Third Vinson Act of 1940, as well as the Two-Ocean Navy Act of 1940. These ambitious programs made sure that the U.S. Navy was far better prepared as the country entered World War II. The new ships made sure that the country was on its way to meeting Japan head on when the time came. While he recognized the importance of capital ships, his largest contribution was in forcing the growth of the modern aircraft carrier.

Slight progress in the naval expansion programs had been implemented by the Naval Act of 1936 and the Naval Act of 1938. But in early June 1940, Congress passed legislation that provided for an 11% increase in naval tonnage as well as an expansion of naval air capacity. On June 17, a few days after German troops conquered France, Chief of Naval Operations Harold Stark requested an unheard of four billion dollars from Congress to increase the size of the American combat fleet by 70. On June 18, after less than an hour of debate, the House of Representatives by a 316–0 vote authorized \$8.55 billion for a naval expansion program, giving emphasis to aircraft. Rep. Vinson, who headed the House Naval Affairs Committee, said its emphasis on carriers did not represent any less commitment to battleships, but "*The modern development of aircraft has demonstrated conclusively that the backbone of the Navy today is the aircraft carrier. The carrier, with cruisers, destroyers, and submarines grouped around it is the spearhead of all modern naval task forces.*"

The Act authorized the procurement of:

- 18 aircraft carriers
- 2 Iowa-class battleships
- 5 Montana-class battleships
- 6 Alaska-class cruisers
- 27 cruisers
- 115 destroyers
- 43 submarines
- 15,000 aircraft
- The conversion of 100,000 tons of auxiliary ships
- \$50 million for patrol, escort and other vessels

- \$150 million for essential equipment and facilities
- \$65 million for the manufacture of ordnance material or munitions
- \$35 million for the expansion of facilities

When the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor in December 7th, 1941, most of the fleet was still in the shipyards being built. Many were not completed by the time the war was over. But the new emphasis on aircraft carriers and submarines made all the difference in the war's outcome.

Postwar

Congressmen Vincent's knowledge of the Navy and the nation's needs into the future played important roles in creating a fleet that would carry the nation into the years known as the Cold War. Modernization of existing ships and submarines were required to match the new threats that emerged from the end of the war. Rapid growth in nuclear proliferation added threats that would challenge the Navy and the nation as a whole.

Vinson did not seek re-election in 1964 and retired from Congress in January 1965. He returned to Baldwin County, Georgia, where he lived in retirement until his death. He is buried in Memory Hill Cemetery in Milledgeville, Georgia.

"I devoutly hope that the casting of every gun and the building of every ship will be done with a prayer for the peace of America. I have at heart no sectional nor political interest but only the Republic's safety."

Those words best capture the life of a great man.

CHECKPOINT – WHERE MILITARY MEETS COMMUNITY

By Jared Souder

Nearly every other place where there are as many Veterans as there are here locally in the Pittsburgh region, there is a base – a hub – that becomes the center of gravity for nearly all services and resources that are delivered to those local Vets and their families. In Southwestern PA, we don't have that base, but that doesn't mean that we don't have a lot of great resources. Far beyond the local Veteran Service Organizations like the VFW, American Legion and Disabled American Veterans, we have scores of nonprofits, government programs and community groups throughout the region that provide countless types of assistance. But because there's no hub, the effort and understanding it takes to navigate the system often becomes too much to overcome and Veterans end up without the help they need.

That's why we created Checkpoint. Our services can essentially be broken into three areas. First, we have created this hub – a central access point where Veterans and military family members can find the things that can improve their lives throughout the community. This leverages local, decentralized resources but does it in a coordinated, consolidated way that puts information at their fingertips and helps them to find the right services at the right time.

Second, we work with the organizations and individuals who comprise the vast network of Veteran supports in the Pittsburgh region to provide thought leadership and expertise in improving the "big picture" of services. By virtue of our position as a central, aligning force, we work with them to identify and move toward opportunities for collaborative region-wide efforts and networked programs which give clients access to a greater set of resources than any single agency could provide.

Finally, we work to become a catalyst for a stronger, more vibrant and engaged Veteran community. Through our connections and knowledge of local community groups and organizations that need talented, engaged men

and women to help further their missions, we connect Veterans and their families and create opportunities for them to become the next generation of community leaders.

At Checkpoint, our mission is to empower Veterans and military families living in Southwestern Pennsylvania by improving connections between them and their local communities. Later in 2014 we'll continue toward that goal by introducing a blog, community calendar and gateway designed to develop and support new opportunities for Veteran owned businesses, Veteran employment and volunteerism.

To learn more about Checkpoint or to find Veteran-oriented resources in your local area, check us out on the web at www.thecheckpoint.org.

Location: 700 River Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15212; phone 412.208.4408

USS Pittsburgh (SSN-720) & Relief Crew News By John Caspero

PARTY

The Holiday (Christmas) Party was held on Saturday, January 11th. The co-chairs of the Family Readiness Group, Tia Lueth and Zahi Merz, advise that a great time was had by all attendees. The primary source of funds for the Christmas Party is the annual golf outing and the generosity of contributors. Our check for \$2,600, provided \$400 toward the cost of the party and \$ 2,200 to provide for a \$25 Toys R Us gift certificate per child (12 years and under)

MEMBERSHIP

At the end of the 1st quarter, our Relief Crew membership stands at 22 members; an additional solicitation of past and potential members will be made during April. By way of comparison, we finished calendar 2013 with 29 members.

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Pittsburgh Foundation has advised that the earnings on the Scholarship Fund principal on deposit with them is \$3,500; only income is available for scholarships. Depending on the number of scholarship applicants, we may supplement the income on principal amount from contributions and membership dues. We presently have three applicants for the 2014-2015 school year and a couple applications pending. The deadline to apply is April 15th.

Salute to Veterans

This is a great event which honors veterans and includes a gathering of military personnel, community and business leaders and patriotic individuals who gather in the magnificent Carnegie Museum Music Hall with inspiring stories, live entertainment, well-deserved awards and a bit of good-natured ribbing.

Veterans Leadership Program of Western Pennsylvania is sponsoring its annual Salute to Veterans on May 22 from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM at Carnegie Music Hall.

Free tickets are available for all uniformed personnel on active duty or who are in the National Guard or Reserves by going to www.showclix.com/event/VLPtribute or calling 412-481-8200. Anyone else is more than welcome.

To purchase tickets (\$50 per person) go to <http://www.showclix.com/event/VLPtribute>

If you would like to help sponsor the event or for further info, contact Veteran's Leadership Program, swansonk@vlpwpa.org or go to <http://www.vlpwpa.org/>

NLUS Pittsburgh Council Facebook Site

By **Rob Conway**

Reprinting instructions about our Navy League Pittsburgh Facebook page: To visit our page:

1) Go to www.facebook.com

2) Log in using this information: Account Name (email used to log in to account): navyleaguepittsburgh@gmail.com
Password: navyleague2013

3) Recommend you click Home along the top menu, and then News Feed on the left border. Now you will see the content our Friends have posted to our page. Remember, our Friends can post anything they want - it may or may not have anything to do with our Council or the Navy League. This is one of the reasons we send Friend requests only to people with a connection to the sea services. However, they can post anything they want and it will go to all the pages of their Friends, including us.

4) To view more information about our Council, click on Navy League along the top border. This will also show you the oldest posts I made to the page when it was established.

5) To post a comment (which will be seen by our Friends) go to Home and News Feed (see 3) above) and in the box that says "What's on your mind?" Type your comment. Then click the Post button. There is a button just above the box to post images.

Explore, but please don't change any Account Settings, and be careful if you send any Friend requests because they can post anything and it will show up on our News Feed. When in doubt, click Home along the top border.

6) To Log out: click the gear symbol on the top border, far right. On the pull-down menu click Log Out.

IT IS THAT TIME AGAIN ---

THE ANNUAL BOZDECH-VEATER KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY

**The Honorable Kentucky Colonel
Polly/Paula Bozdech-Veater
Cordially Invites you to a**

“KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY”

DATE: 3 MAY 2014

TIME: 4:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M.

POST TIME FOR RUN FOR THE ROSES AT 6:24 P.M.

PLACE: 101 SQUAW RUN ROAD, PITTSBURGH

RSVP NLT 1 May 2014: 412-719-6432, E-MAIL: BOZDECHVPM@AOL.COM

***SPECIAL ACTIVITIES PLANNED IN SUPPORT OF THE USS PITTSBURGH SCHOLARSHIP
FUND***

A Kentucky Tradition for celebrating the annual “Run for the Roses”. There are many different ways to celebrate this Kentucky tradition. We’ve chosen the informal way--so come casual.

**BRING A FAVORITE FOOD AND YOUR BEST GUESS ON THE WINNER AND WINNING
TIME.**

**SODA, MINT JULEPS, BEER, BAKED BEANS, HAMBURGERS AND STRAWBERRIES
PROVIDED.**

ALL (especially the ladies) ARE ENCOURAGED TO WEAR THEIR "DERBY HATS"

DIRECTIONS TO MY HOME AND PARKING. RT 28 to Fox Chapel Road exit. Make a left onto Fox Chapel Road. Go approximately 1 mile (through the stoplight at Delafield Rd). Make the next left (a “Y” in the road) onto Squaw Run Rd. Just past the *Hidden Driveway* sign and the first mailbox on the left, turn left into my driveway. If you past 2 mail boxes you have gone too far.

PARKING DIRECTIONS. Go .3 a mile beyond my driveway to McChail Park (a large soccer/baseball field on the left). A parking lot is located on the left at the end of the fields. A shuttle will operate to take you to and from my home and the parking area.

***FOR EASE OF PARKING --- GO TO McCHAILL PARK DIRECTLY AND UTILIZE THE
SHUTTLE SERVICE I HAVE ARRANGED TO MY HOME.***

PS: Go to <http://www.kentuckyderby.com/> for the latest info on the Derby!!

Pittsburgh Council Annual Meeting

On February 8, 2014 the Annual Meeting of the Pittsburgh Council was held at the Pittsburgh Athletic Association. The event began with the Presentation of Colors by the **Capt. Neil F. Judd Sea Cadets Company Color Guard. Brad Harrison**, VP of Education, led the Pledge of Allegiance. Invocation and Benediction were delivered by **Reverend Larry Adams**, Chaplain. After a delicious dinner, President **Henry Rainone** introduced **John Caspero**, CO USS Pittsburgh Relief Crew, who led the Awards Ceremony to honor the outstanding Sea Service Members of 2013. Honored were:

- ❖ YN1 Kayla Solonichne, USN, Sailor of the year, Navy Recruiting District, Pittsburgh
- ❖ MST2 Ronald C. Lipscomb, USCG, Active Duty Enlisted Person of the Year, Marine Safety Unit, Pittsburgh
- ❖ BM3 Aaron E. Makowiecki, USCG, Reserve Enlisted Person of the Year, Marine Safety Unit, Pittsburgh
- ❖ CE1 (SCW) Scott C. Tyner, USN, Reserve Sailor of the Year, Navy Operational Support Center, Pittsburgh
- ❖ Sgt. Dante G. Capane, USMC, Marine Recruiter of the Year, Marine Recruiting Station, Pittsburgh
- ❖ SSgt. Ronald J. Haught, USMCR, Marine of the Year, CO K, 3rd Battalion, 25th Marines
- ❖ HM2 (FMF) William L. Ferguson, USN, Sailor of the Year, 4th MLG, 4th Med Bn, Surgical Co A
- ❖ BM2 Cory Siegfert, USCG, Active Duty Enlisted Person of the Year, USCGC Osage

- ❖ MIDN 1/C Tyler Bothel, Pittsburgh , USN, Outstanding Midshipman of the Year, NROTC, Carnegie Mellon University
- ❖ Cadet Raymond Donch, USNSCC, Outstanding Sea Cadet, Pittsburgh Battalion.

Special presentations were made to MST2 Ron Lipscomb and BM3 Aaron Makowiecki. CDR Lindsay Weaver, USCG Marine Safety Unit, Pittsburgh awarded the Coast Guard Achievement Medal to MST2 Lipscomb and presented BM3 Makowiecki with a Commandant's Letter of Commendation.



MST2 Ron Lipscomb and Henry Rainone



John Caspero, BM3 Aaron Makowiecki, Henry Rainone

NLUS Pennsylvania Area President, Judy Halleran conducted the Installation of Pittsburgh Council Officers.



**PITTSBURGH COUNCIL GOLF OUTING
NAVY LEAGUE OF THE UNITED STATES**

*****Proceeds benefit the USS Pittsburgh SSN 720***
Children's Christmas Fund**

**FRIDAY – JUNE 6th, 2014
BUTLER'S GOLF COURSE, ELIZABETH, PA**

The Pittsburgh Council's annual golf outing will be held again at the Butler Golf Course in Elizabeth, Pa. Shotgun start at 10:00 a.m. and we have reserved starting times for 100 golfers. The fee of \$94.00 (\$60 for Active Military Personnel) includes:

18 Holes of Golf Snack at #10 Tee Skill & Other Prizes

Cookout at Pavilion includes:

Ribs, Chicken & Hot Sausage

Picnic Side Dishes

Beverages - - beer, soda, etc.

RESERVE EARLY!

Bring a friend . . . make up a foursome

**** REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS May 28th ****

Mail to: *Don Elborne
215 Meadowfield Lane
Jefferson Hills, PA 15025*

Phone: *412-606-7676 - cell
412-653-6062 - home
412-921-3501 – office
done10@aol.com*

Please reserve _____ starting times for the NLUS Golf Outing at \$94.00 per person or \$60 for active military personnel. I am enclosing my check. (Full payment is appreciated to make it easier) for each golfer to hold the number of starting times shown. Total enclosed is \$ _____.

Print Name _____ **Phone** _____

Email Address: _____

Print Guest Names: _____

Please make check payable to Don Elborne, if possible.

Honor, Knowledge, Service, Awareness & Engagement

Patriotism**Committee and Contact List****Gratitude**

Standing Committee	Number of Members*	Chairperson	Contact Information
USS Pittsburgh Relief Crew	22	John Caspero (CO)	jfcaspero@verizon.net
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Fellow Navy League Council Member, your involvement is greatly needed. Our Outreach & Education service cannot continue without your involvement and leadership. Please consider leading or serving on one or more committees—only 1 event/year in some cases.

Vice President of Outreach	To be filled after related chairman positions filled	n/a
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Past Presidents (Active Council Members)– non-voting: John Van Huyck (1977), Wallace Utley (1978), John Caspero (1980, 1992), David Erdodi (1981), Dick Halleran (1984-5), William Stein (1988), Richard Kennedy (1991), Doug Thompson (1993), Ray Boyer (1996), Karl Ludwig (1998), Bill Braund (2000), Stew Shannon (2001-2), James Bendel (2004), Paula Bozdech-Veater (2005-7), Judy Halleran (2008-10), and Al Hribar (20011-12); for contact information, please contact kjkersten2@verizon.net / 412 367 4725.			

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National Assistant Treasurer
National Vice President Finance
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Liberty Region President
Liberty Region PA Area President

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