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UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ November 17, LWC Dinner Meeting
- ◆ January 19, 2005 LWC-NLUS 4th Anniversary Dinner Meeting
- ◆ March 9th Honor the Healy Dinner Meeting

Additional information on LWC meetings and events can be found on our web site at www.lakewashnlus.org. You can contact us at info@lakewashnlus.org.

ABOUT US

The Lake Washington Council (LWC) is part of the Navy League of the United States, whose web site is located at www.navyleague.org.

Lake Washington Council Adopted Units

- ◆ US Coast Guard Cutter Healy
- ◆ Naval Coastal Warfare Sqdn-33 (former HDCU-113)
- ◆ USCG Integrated Support Command, Seattle
- ◆ USS Abraham Lincoln
- ◆ Liberty High School NJROTC
- ◆ University of Washington NROTC
- ◆ USN Sea Cadet Corps, Everett

Lake Washington Council Dinner Meeting November 17

Our next Dinner Meeting will be in the Evergreen Point room at the Red Lion Bellevue Inn, located at 11211 Main Street in Bellevue. We are pleased to have as our speaker John E. Pennington, FEMA Regional Director. The no-host social hour starts at 6:00 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. Red Lion Bellevue Inn will provide one complimentary bar beverage for each guest. There is plenty of free parking. As always, we strongly encourage you to bring interested guests.

This meeting will include our annual presentation of financial support to representatives of our adopted sea service units and youth organizations, with brief reports from each on how our support helps them. In addition, election of the 2005 LWC Officers and Board will be held. The Liberty High School NJROTC will provide the Color Guard.

The menu for this evening will be a spinach salad with raspberry vinaigrette, your choice of Macadamia Crusted Mahi Mahi, Roast Prime Rib of Beef, or Vegetarian plate. Dessert will be a very special Chocolate Mousse Chocolate cake. The cost per person is \$35 in advance or \$40 per person at the door. Make your reservation today by mailing your check made payable to Lake Washington Council-NLUS, to LWC-NLUS, PO Box 183, Medina, WA 98039-0183, or via email to info@lakewashnlus.org. **Please be certain to specify your entrée selections with your reservation. Receiving your reservation no later than November 12th will greatly help our planning of this special dinner meeting.**

Roger Ponto, Editor

VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE



Dear Council members and friends:

One of my granddaughters (I am blessed with 7 plus 5 grandsons), recently asked me “what is Navy League all about?” I started to say “well, we support the sea services” and then realized that this really didn’t begin to explain what we are really all about. I believe that this issue of the Voyager answers that questions much better than I did my granddaughter.

If you want a real grasp of just what we are all about, be certain to attend the November 17th Awards Dinner during which we will be presenting our annual financial support to representatives from our adopted sea service units and youth organizations we support. This year we have been able to significantly increased our financial support to these units. This meet and greet opportunity will enable you to learn first hand just what your Council is doing in its

2004 BOARD MEMBERS

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“Support of the Sea Services.”

On October 13th, the 229th Birthday of the US Navy, we formally adopted the USS Abraham Lincoln. This, along with our recent adoption of Coast Guard Integrated Support Command-Seattle, has increased by many fold, the number of service men and women we now support.

Our adopted US Coast Guard Cutter Healy is expected to return to Seattle on November 9th and if you would like to join in greeting them at pier 36, please let us know via info@lakewashnlus.org or 425-453-1979, so that we can keep you informed of the details as they become more finalized.

As an update on another of our adopted units, Harbor Defense Command Unit-113 has been renamed Naval Coastal Warfare Squadron-33. We expect to hear more from them about this change at the November Dinner.

As a final note; Election of our 2005 Officers and Board will take place during the November Dinner. The proposed slate was published in the September Voyager.

I look forward to seeing you on November 17th.

Roger W. Ponto
President, Lake Washington Council-NLUS

New Community Affiliates

Our support from business affiliates continues to grow with the recent addition of **Vertical Path Recruiting, and Global Construction Services, Inc.**

We currently have 22 business who have joined with us in support of our mission. We welcome businesses who would like to join with us in the support of the sea services. Please contact us at info@lakewashnlus.org.

USS Liberty Veterans Association offers commemorative coin program



USS LIBERTY MEMORIAL MEDALLIONS

Through a contribution by an anonymous Navy League and USS Liberty supporter, purchases of the pure silver USS Liberty medallion pictured above, serve double duty.

100% of proceeds from sales of these coins apply towards membership of USS Liberty survivors in the Lake Washington Council.

A close alliance has long existed between USS Liberty Veterans Association and Lake Washington Council. Together, we sponsor an annual essay contest for local area NJROTC students. Fourteen LVA members also belong to LWC.

Please consider purchasing one or more of these fine medallions for \$25 each. This entire amount will go towards membership funding for additional USS Liberty veterans to become LWC members, and will enhance the Lake Washington Council/USS Liberty Veterans Association alliance.

To order, or for more information, call Jim Ennes at 425 788-3519 or email jim@ennes.com.

LWC BUSINESS AFFILIATES

Corporate Sponsors

- ◆ Todd Pacific Shipyards
- ◆ Microvision, Inc.
- ◆ Safe Boats International

Community Affiliates

- ◆ ALSTOM Power Conversion
- ◆ Argosy Cruises
- ◆ Cadick Corp
- ◆ Costco Kirkland/Issaquah
- ◆ First Command Financial Planning
- ◆ Flags & Flagpoles Northwest
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- ◆ Galvin Flying Services, Inc.
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- ◆ USAA
- ◆ Vertical Path Recruiting
- ◆ Vigilos, Inc

Through their financial contribution, these business affiliates demonstrate their commitment to LWC-NLUS, to the mission of the Navy League, and their desire to support young people through our programs and scholarships.

Lake Washington Council's 4th Anniversary, January 19, 2005

Mark your calendars now for this very special celebration, which will feature as our keynote speaker, Navy League National President, Sheila M. McNeill. You will not want to miss this celebration event.

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS!

If you have e-mail and have not received news from LWC in the last month, we do not have your e-mail address. Please contact us at info@lakewashnlus.org with your updated address. This will ensure that you are receiving the latest information from the Lake Washington Council.

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Lake Washington Council

CITIZENS IN SUPPORT OF THE SEA SERVICES

Lake Washington Council is your community organization that:

- Supports our Puget Sound sea services: USCGC Healy, USS Abraham Lincoln, Naval Coastal Warfare Squadron-33, and USCG Integrated Support Command-Seattle.
- Supports local Naval Reserve Officer Training Units and USN Sea Cadet Corps: NJROTC at Liberty High School, NROTC at University of Washington, and USN Sea Cadet Corps, Everett.
- Increases awareness of the diversity of maritime units in Puget Sound.
- Conveys the pivotal role our Puget Sound sea services play in our national and regional security.
- Furthers understanding that maritime commerce is the cornerstone of our region's economy.

Navy League of the United States Mission Statement

A civilian organization dedicated to informing the American people and their government that the United States of America is a maritime nation and that its national defense and economic well being are dependent upon strong sea services – United States Navy, United States Marine Corps, United States Coast Guard and United States Merchant Marine.