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UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ July 21st, Bangor Tour
- ◆ August 17th, Argosy Cruise Event
- ◆ November 16th, Dinner Event

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

3rd Annual LWC "Fun Night" Cruise, August 17th

Lake Washington Council will once again hold a private Argosy Cruise aboard the MV Kirkland on Wednesday, August 17th. This 1924 ferry, which is named to the National Historical Register, has been very extensively refurbished. There are two bars, good rest room facilities, and plenty of space both inside and out, so we will not be restricted by the weather. Ask those who have attended the past Cruises and you will learn that this is a event you will want to attend.

There will be a no-host bar and an ample buffet of hors d'oeuvres. Most important, there will be plenty of opportunity to socialize with fellow LWC members and guests, and to simply enjoy the Cruise, so invite friends, neighbors, and business associates to join with us for a fun evening on Lake Washington.

The Cruise will leave from the Kirkland pier at Waterfront Park. Free parking is available at the Kirkland City Garage, two blocks east of the park, at 3rd and Kirkland. Boarding will start at 6:30 p.m. with departure promptly at 7:00 p.m. and returning at 10:00 p.m. The cost is \$35.00 per person prepaid, for the 3 hour Cruise and food.

Make your reservation today by mailing your check, payable to Lake Washington Council-NLUS, to LWC-NLUS, PO Box 183, Medina WA 98039-0183. We request that you prepay for this event as it will be difficult to handle payment at the pier.

Roger Ponto, Editor

VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE



Dear Council Members and Friends:

Despite somewhat mixed weather so far, summer is here. For the Lake Washington Council, it has been and will continue to be an eventful one. Please note the article to the right about the awards received by LWC at the National Conference in Norfolk. Thanks to Roger Ponto for representing the Council at the Convention. Several other members of our Council attended also, so we were well represented.

Please note the upcoming "Fun Night" cruise on Lake Washington on August 17th. Our next dinner event will be on November 16th at which, we will be honoring each of our adopted units. We

are planning an interesting and informative event. More to follow on that later.

We continue to establish close, supportive ties to our adopted units and to explore new and effective ways to provide them with support.

Enjoy your summer!

Ronald S. Matthew
 President, Lake Washington Council-NLUS

Lake Washington Sweeps Navy League Awards

At the Navy League National Convention held June 1-5 in Norfolk VA, LWC received top awards in each of the Council Award Categories; **Outstanding Council, 1st Place Mackie Award for outstanding newsletter, and 1st Place Public Relations.** This is the second consecutive year LWC has received awards in every category.

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LWC Director Roger Ponto accepting **2004 Outstanding Council Award** from Navy League National President Sheila McNeill.

2005 USS Liberty Essay Contest Winners

Lake Washington Council and the USS Liberty Veterans Association once again co-sponsored the 3rd Annual Liberty Essay Contest for local area NJROTC Cadets. Cash awards are presented each year for the top four entries.

This year's winners were Cadets Luke Sanders, Andrew Herriford, and Sara Jo Shepler of Burlington-Edison High School NJROTC, and Cadet Evan Egerstrom, of Liberty High School NJROTC.



1st Place Winner, Cadet Luke Sanders,
Burlington-Edison High School NJROTC



Cadet Evan Egerstrom, Liberty High School
NJROTC, receiving his award check from
Chief Petty Officer Al Torstenson.

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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 Officers 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.