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USS Jimmy Carter (SSN 23) holds Change of Command

SILVERDALE, WA - The Seawolf-class attack submarine USS Jimmy Carter (SSN 23) conducted a change of command, 9 June.



CDR Joseph Campbell, USN, relieved CDR Benjamin P. Grant, USN to assume the duties and responsibilities as Jimmy Carter's commanding officer. Above after the ceremony: Amber Grant; CDR Ben Grant; Karmin Pincus; Jeff Coughlin, Bremerton City Council and Dean Smith, Director, Bremerton Olympic Peninsula Navy League Council.

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VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE



Welcome to the June 2023 edition of Voyager, the 2021 Mackie Gold Award winning newsletter from the Lake Washington & Everett Council. Summer is almost here! The first half of 2023 has

been full of awards, accolades, and accomplishments for our Navy and Coast Guard. Special congratulations to the USS Jimmy Carter's outgoing commander, CDR Benjamin Grant on his next adventure at the Pentagon. To the incoming commander, CDR Joseph Campbell, welcome to Washington. We are looking forward to continuing our Sailor Support events at Scuttlebutt this summer. These events are open to the public so please join us the third Wednesday of each month from 1600 to 1900 at Scuttlebutt Restaurant at the Port of Everett. This year we are working on building new relationships with local businesses to provide our sailors with additional resources while stationed here at Naval Station Everett. If your company has a way to benefit our sailors and make their time here more enjoyable, we'd like to hear about it

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Monthly Sailor Support Event Schedule



Open to all Navy League members and
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Time: 3rd Wednesdays from 1600 to 1900

Place: **Scuttlebutt Family Restaurant**
1205 Craftsman Way
Everett, WA 98201

Schedule:

19 July - USS Momsen (DDG 92)

16 August - USS John Paul Jones (DDG 53)

20 September - TBD

18 October - TBD

15 November - TBD



Patriot Company Selected as a 2022-23 Distinguished Unit With Honors!

On 18 May 2023, Liberty High School Patriot Company held its annual awards ceremony. At this event numerous outside organizations recognized the hard work of the cadets over the past school year and present Patriot Company's top performing cadets with certificates and medals for their outstanding performance throughout the year. Congratulations to the four Naval Science 1-4 Cadets of the Year: c/PO2 Cassandra Harris, c/CPO Rebecca Schwenk, c/LCDR Eowy Ream, and c/LT Jeffery Pan. At the ceremony it was announced that Patriot Company was selected by Admiral Couture, Commander, Naval Service Training Command, as a Distinguished Unit With Honors Award winner. The award citation reads:

The Commander Naval Service Training Command takes pleasure in presenting the Distinguished Unit With Honors Award to Liberty High School NJROTC for outstanding performance during the 2022-2023 school year. In recognition of the exceptional professional ability, initiative and dedication demonstrated by its Naval Science Instructors; the outstanding support provided by the school administration; the excellent atmosphere prevalent throughout the school in support of the Navy Junior ROTC Program; the exemplary appearance, military bearing, and courtesies exhibited by its cadets; the active participation of the unit in support of school, community and other extracurricular activities and services; and the superb discipline demonstrated by the cadets during drill meets and other public appearances, the Liberty High School Junior ROTC unit has been selected as a Distinguished Unit With Honors.

T. N. Daseler
NJROTC Program Director

The **Distinguished Unit With Honors** is awarded to the top 15% of all NJROTC units in the country and is truly indicative of the dedication and hard work of the cadets involved. Congratulations to all the cadets of Patriot Company who now proudly wear the ribbon below:!



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Blair Family Volunteers with the NSE Division Sea Cadet Corps

Article & photos by Robert Lockyer & Cheryl Blair

Organizations seeking volunteers rarely find enthusiastic participants like Cheryl and Bob Blair, the new Sea Cadet instructors for Naval Station Everett Division US Naval Sea Cadet Corp



(USNSCC). Their son Cody, also new to the unit as of June 2022, has helped the whole family get involved. Cody learned about Sea Cadets through an Instagram post which led the family to explore the organization, much to the gratification of unit commanding officer LTJG Eric Grimsby, and his wife Patrice – hardworking leaders making a difference for the young adult members. Leading 50 kids during the COVID 19 pandemic lockdown was a challenging job and they were glad to get the help of the Blair family and several other new families. Since taking the helm in 2019, and despite the challenges from the pandemic, the Grimsbys have helped more than 16 cadets graduate and 60 others advance through the program. Cody Blair is an ideal candidate as he is already familiar with some of the training due to his role in the Everett High School NJROTC program. He gains additional discipline and leadership training at his NJROTC practices and is well on his way as a future leader. In an interview with the new instructors, Bob and Cheryl Blair explained that since they married in 2005, they travel abroad whenever their careers allow. Cheryl, an executive assistant for a corporate VP at Microsoft, has visited 25 countries during her life. Bob, Senior

Account Executive at Gartner, the world's largest research and advisory firm, has been to 24 different countries. As a family, the three Blairs have visited 13 areas outside the US in Cody's 15-year life. They recently traveled to Germany, Austria, Switzerland and Spain in December 2022. In Cheryl's early years she lived in Kenya, Africa from 1979-83 when her parents were missionaries. *"Travelling broadens our horizons and educates our whole family,"* Bob explains. Through traveling, Cody enjoys learning about the history, architecture, and cultures firsthand.

How Five Bright New Sea Cadets Were Motivated to Enroll

Cody Blair, age 15, a National Honor Society student at Everett High School, enrolled in Sea Cadets to gain hands on experience in military career fields of interest. Through their partnership with the Navy, the Sea Cadet Program offers real-life options that aren't available through NJROTC units. He enjoyed his nine day Recruit Training from 9-17 July 2022 at Camp Rilea, OR. He likes learning about options available to him in the military. *"The direct exposure is preferable,"* Cody said. He has also completed 18 hours of community service with the Sea Cadets since joining nine months ago and more than 80 hours through all of his extracurricular programs. Cody shared that he is considering going to the US Naval Academy in Annapolis and pursuing a career in special warfare.

Carsten Ward, age 18, the LPO for White Company, was motivated by the open access into the program. *"There is a sense of fair play in the cadet program,"* the Lead Petty Officer said. *"It doesn't cost much of anything; there isn't anyone that couldn't participate, and kids must perform well at school, which is my motivation to keep up on my studies."* The tours on the ships, opportunity to meet active military sailors and making friends with other cadets - all were an interest. Ward joined the program in September 2020 and has attended six types of trainings, including Recruit Training, Medical EMT Services, Navy Shore Field Operations, Petty Officer Academy, USN Shore Flagship Event and Basic NLCC Orientation. At the LW&E Council Navy League holiday award dinner on 16 November 2022, Ward received the 2022 NSCC Cadet of the Year award. Carsten is a Woodinville H.S. varsity athlete and plans to attend the US Merchant Marine Academy after his June 2023 high school graduation.



Left to Right: Carter Wong, Nam Dihn, Cody Blair & Carsten Ward

Carter Wong, age 11, started in Sea Cadets in September 2022. His sister, Kayli age 15, an exemplary cadet had a lot of good things to say about the program. It seemed like an interesting and fun program. He likes learning military basic training. Both of his parents were in the military and his only costs were clothing, travel expense, and time from Bellevue for each event. Carter said, *"That's not too bad for all the opportunity."* He hopes to stay until he graduates and would like to attain Chief Petty Officer rank.

Nam Dihn, age 12, began in July 2022. His mom learned about Sea Cadets from YouTube and has supported him joining the Sea Cadet Program. He lives in Marysville and has one brother and more than fifty cousins. His dad served in the army. He likes the idea of going to college on the military's money and likes all the friends he's made. He enjoys PT, the games like sharks and minnows, capture the flag, Russian tag, soccer, and football. Nam has volunteered at the Jetty Island Beach

Clean Up and the Arlington Sky Fest, earning him over 20 hours of community service. Nam likes when he gets his own box lunch at events which includes chips and a cookie or when they all eat pizza.

Connor Knudtson, (below) age 16, enrolled in August 2022 after his mother's friend introduced him to the program. He attends Bothell High School which means his parents drive him from Bothell to Everett for every drill. The driving time commitment didn't deter them at all. Connor quit football to join because

he wanted to do something different and has an interest in entering a military officer program. Pride in the military isn't new for this family, as his grandfather is a Vietnam veteran.



News from Lake Washington & Everett Council Supported Units

Art Anderson, a multidisciplinary engineering services firm, recently partnered with Whiting Turner for the construction of temporary facilities at **USCG Base Seattle**. Art Anderson has over sixty years of experience with a broad range of expertise and experience that lends itself to unique engineering and design challenges. The two firms designed improvements to an existing Base building to accommodate relocation of offices, shops, and recreational facilities from a building that will be demolished. This allows widening of the Base's mooring basin. The team also designed temporary utilities on some property that was leased from the Port of Seattle's Terminal 46 to allow mooring of two USCG ice breakers during construction of the mooring basin project and provided additional recreation space and shower facilities in temporary buildings located on Terminal 46.

On 9 June 2023, ships (*see below*) from the Nimitz Carrier Strike Group, the Reagan Carrier Strike Group, Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force, and French Navy steamed in formation during a Pacific Ocean multi big deck event. Ships involved in the event include **Carrier Strike Group ELEV-EN** carrier USS Nimitz (CVN 68), and USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76); the Ticonderoga-class guided-missile cruisers USS Robert Smalls (CG 62), USS Bunker Hill (CG 52) and USS Antietam (CG 54); the Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyers USS Wayne E. Meyer (DDG 108), USS Rafael Peralta (DDG 115) and USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93); JMSDF Izumo-class destroyer

JS Izumo (DDH 183) and Murasame-class destroyer JS Samidare (DD 106); and French Navy Aquitaine-class frigate FS Lorraine (D 657). Nimitz is in the U.S. 7th Fleet conducting routine operations. 7th Fleet is the U.S. Navy's largest forward-deployed numbered fleet, and routinely interacts and operates with allies and partners in preserving a free and open Indo-Pacific region.

At the start of June, **USS Gridley (DDG 101)** said goodbye to LT Audrie Cottle and CTR2 Daniel Immesberger and wished them luck in all their future



endeavors. Fair winds and following seas! Later that week the crew celebrated the promotion of five Ensigns to Lieutenant Junior Grade as they reached the two year milestone in their naval career. Congratulations to: LTJG Gorti, LTJG Craig, LTJG Clark, LTJG Conroy and LTJG Orchekowski. Towards the end of the week USS Gridley frocked 38 sailors including ET1 Shouse (*above*) receiving his letter from CDR Kathleen Whitman, USN, Commanding Officer.

USN photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Samuel Osborn, USN





USN photo by RS3 Ederson Dait, USN

Sampson Nation congratulates the newest **USS Sampson (DDG 102)** Senior Chief Petty Officers: *(seated left to right)* EMCS Brent D. Beatty, ETCS Aaron M. Cole and ITCS Kala B. Lopes

Over the past couple of months, **USS Momsen (DDG 92)** accomplished a successful port visit to Homer, AK; a Naval Ceremony supporting Burial-At-Sea; and embarked a HSM-49 "Scorpion" detachment. Helicopter Maritime Strike Squadron 49 is a Navy Maritime Strike helicopter squadron based at NAS North Island, CA.



More Unit News

Congratulations to Class 23030 of the Basic Division Officer Course for graduating on 9 June. ENS Chen, *(below)* reporting to **USS Ralph Johnson (DDG 114)**, received the ship handler award for his display of superior ship handling in the ship



simulator. Also receiving his graduate certificate was ENS Chepaitis *(below)* reporting to **USS Kidd (DDG 100)**. Mariner Skills Training Center, Pacific is located at Naval Base San Diego. Surface Warfare Schools Command received direction to establish and develop comprehensive



Mariner Skills Training Centers to provide the skills and training required to correct and improve upon deficiencies cited in a comprehensive review. Specifically identified were gaps in the way seamanship and navigation skills are developed and assessed on an individual and team basis and the use of ship handling and navigation trainers. MSTCPAC was established on 1 Oct 2020. The Mission: To ready sea-bound warriors to serve on surface combatants possessing the ship handling and navigation skills to fulfill the Navy's mission of maintaining global maritime superiority.



Photo by PO2 Hannah Kantner, USN

On 9 June 2023 RADM Jennifer Couture, USN relieved RADM Christopher Sweeney, USN as Commander, **Carrier Strike Group 11** during a change of command ceremony held aboard USS Nimitz (CVN 68). His tenure as commander of CSG-11 is the longest in the command's history. *"It's been an honor of a lifetime to serve as your commander. Everything you have accomplished has made our nation, Navy, and Strike Group a safer, stronger and more lethal force,"* said Sweeney. *"The Sailors of Carrier Strike Group Eleven and their families who have sacrificed and been resilient and ready for the past six months away from home – you are all our country's greatest national asset. Continue to look out for your shipmates through the rest of this deployment and beyond. Build upon the lessons, experiences and tactics we have developed, and together, there will be no limit to the things you can achieve."* Couture is a native of Vineland, NJ. She was commissioned in the George Washington University NROTC program in 1995 and received a BA in International Relations. She holds a master's degree in international studies from Old Dominion University, and she completed her Joint Professional Military Education as a student of the U.S. Naval War College and the Joint Forces Staff College. Her most recent assignment was Commander, Naval Service Training Command. *"It is an honor to join this team during deployment as the Commander, Carrier Strike Group 11,"* said Couture. *"I am humbled by the opportunity to sail with such an accomplished group of professionals and continue the culture of excellence within our strike group."* CSG-11 is in the U.S. 7th Fleet which is the U.S. Navy's largest forward-deployed numbered fleet.

University of Washington NROTC unit, CAPT Allen Adkins, USN, Commanding, held its 2023 commissioning ceremony on 9 June. Brief bios of the 11 officers follows: **ENS Victoria Antonelli** graduated with a BS in Chemistry and will report to the USS Daniel Inouye (DDG 118) in Pearl Harbor, HI to begin training as a Surface Warfare Officer-Nuclear. **2ndLt Andrew Deane** graduated with a BA in Political Science with a focus on International Security and a minor in Naval Science. He will report to The Basic School, in Quantico, VA, on a ground contract. **ENS Tony Dominguez-Giron** graduated with a BS in Oceanography and will report to **USS Sampson (DDG 102)**, homeported in Everett, WA, to begin training as a Surface Warfare Officer. **ENS Casey Finley** graduated with a BA in Political Science with a focus in International Security and minors in Business Administration and Naval Science. ENS Finley will report to NAS Pensacola to begin training as a Student Naval Aviator. **ENS Madison Herzig** graduated with a BS in Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences with a minor in Naval Science and will begin training as a Surface Warfare Officer. **ENS Joshua Lee** graduated with a BS in Human Centered Design & Engineering with a minor in Naval Science and will report to Naval Nuclear Power School in Charleston, SC, to begin training

as a Submarine Officer. **2ndLt Jon Marstall** graduated with a BS in Mechanical Engineering and will report to The Basic School in Quantico, VA, with a ground contract. **ENS Colin Spring** graduated with a BS in Geology with a minor in Naval Science and will report to NAS Pensacola to begin flight training as a Student Naval Aviator. **ENS Hannah Wolpert** graduated with a BA in Political Science with a focus in International Security and a minor in Naval Science and will report to the USS Jason Dunham (DDG 109) in Mayport, FL, to begin training as a Surface-Warfare Officer. **ENS Tyler Yoon** graduated with a BA in Korean with a minor in Naval Science and will report to NAS Pensacola to begin flight training as a Student Naval Aviator. **2ndLt Michael Yuriko** graduated with a BS in both Oceanography and Marine Biology. Upon graduating from The Basic School, he will report to NAS Pensacola to begin flight training as a Student Naval Aviator. ENS Finley was selected as the outstanding graduate of the class. A NROTC UW alumni support group, The Blue and Gold Foundation, presented swords to ENS Finley, USN and 2ndLt Deane, USMC - the top new officers in this year's class of highly distinguished graduates. Prior to graduation, the new officers are assembled below in their class photo.

Left to right: Yuriko, Deane, Wolpert, Lee, Herzig, Marshall, Antonelli, Spring, Yoon, Finley & Dominguez.



CAPT J. D. Crinklaw, USN became the 52nd commander of the **Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility** during a ceremony at the shipyard on 25 May. Shipyard employees and invited guests from the community attended the event, held in the shipyard's historic Building 460. In his remarks, Crinklaw outlined



Above Left to Right: CAPT Mosman & CAPT Crinklaw

his command philosophy and thanked those in attendance. Crinklaw was commissioned in 1998 and has served in a wide variety of ship and shore assignments. He has served aboard USS

Vandegrift (FFG 48), USS Kitty Hawk (CV 63), USS Lassen (DDG 82), USS Maryland (SSBN 738) and USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70). His shore assignments include Operations Officer, Ship Repair Facility and Japan Regional Maintenance Center; Aegis Ballistic Missile Defense Test Officer, Naval Surface Warfare Center, Port Hueneme; Deputy Repair Officer for Submarine Repair, Norfolk Naval Shipyard; Engineering Liaison to the Iraqi Navy, Umm Qasr, Iraq; Deputy Waterfront Operations Officer, Southwest Regional Maintenance Center; and Operations Officer, PSNS & IMF. He comes to PSNS & IMF from Naval Sea Systems Command, Industrial Operations. Mosman led the shipyard through the COVID pandemic and the seismic upgrades of three of the command's dry docks. His next assignment will be as the commander of Norfolk Naval Shipyard in Portsmouth, VA. RADM Scott Brown, deputy commander of Industrial Operations at NAVSEA, presided over the ceremony.

Best wishes and thank you to the **MCNJROTC Snohomish** senior cadets as they graduate. Your class has been a profound influence on all younger cadets. The unit wishes you success and happiness as you make this major step into the world beyond high school. Congratulations, class of 2023!





LW&E President Karmin Pincus awarded **Liberty HS NJROTC** Cadet Cassandra Harris (*at left*) the Naval Science Distinguished Cadet Ribbon, which is synonymous with Cadet of the Year. In the Naval Science 1 course, students learn the basics of what it takes to be a NJROTC cadet and what the program offers them. The award is presented yearly to one cadet in each year group with the highest combined average for overall scholastic standing and aptitude in NJROTC unit activities (includes academics, homework, physical fitness, community service, drill, etc.) In her first year in the NJROTC program, Cadet Harris was the only freshman to make the Color Guard Competition team. She also was on both the Unarmed and Armed Drill Teams. The Armed Drill Team was the Northwest Drill and Rifle Conference Champion. Additionally, Cadet Harris advanced to Cadet Petty Officer Second Class, and was on the Liberty High School Honor Roll.

President Karmin Pincus (*at left below*) is pictured on 15 March with members of the Surface Combat Systems Training Command Detachment at the Scuttlebutt event which featured DET PACNORWEST, a tenant of Naval Station Everett. The former Center for Surface Combat Systems (CSCS) has been renamed the Surface Combat Systems Training Command (SCSTC) as part of a larger CSCS realignment.



Patriot Company Wins 14th Consecutive Drill Meet and Crowned NWDRC Puget Sound Division Champions For the Third Consecutive Season!

On 4 March 2023, Patriot Company hosted the fourth and final regular season drill competition of the 2022-23 school year. Eight JROTC schools (including Liberty) were in attendance, including: Federal Way (Air Force JROTC), Todd Beamer (Air Force JROTC), Auburn Mountain View (Army JROTC), Graham Kapowsin (Army JROTC), Bremerton (Navy JROTC), Spanaway Lake (Navy JROTC) and Steilacoom



Left to Right: Cadets Jeffery Pan, Felicia Le, & Eowyn Ream display the Overall Division Champion plaque awarded to Patriot Company.

High School (Army JROTC) who competed in just their second drill competition! Patriot Company secured their fourteenth consecutive regular season drill meet victory winning first place awards in all eight categories. Puget Sound Division Awards were also presented and Patriot Company earned first place awards in all eight categories and was crowned **Puget Sound Division Champions** for the third consecutive season. Northwest JROTC Drill & Rifle Conference (NWDRC) was established in 1970 as the Puget Sound Drill and Rifle Conference with four members. The name was changed in 1984 as more schools east of the mountains and other states were added. On 25 March Patriot Company completed their drill season in the Northwest Drill and Rifle Conference Championships at Marysville Pilchuck High School in Marysville, WA and finished second of 34 teams from throughout northwest Oregon and western Washington.



United States Coast Guard
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Coast Guard urges boating safety this summer across Pacific Northwest

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SEATTLE — The Coast Guard urges boaters to be ready this summer in the Pacific Northwest. This year, National Safe Boating Week took place 20 – 26 May. This week of awareness promotes safe boating practices for recreational boaters to reduce preventable accidents and deaths. The Coast Guard encourages boaters to become safer, always ready boaters this 2023 boating season.



USS Barry (DDG 52) Arrives at New Everett Homeport *USN News Release*

EVERETT, Wash. – Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Barry (DDG 52) arrived in its new homeport of Naval Station Everett, WA on 17 March. The ship was previously forward deployed, serving in Yokosuka, Japan. USS Barry is the Navy's oldest destroyer, commissioned in 1992. USS Barry is the fourth United States Na-

10 May 1991, she was christened on 8 June 1991 by her sponsor Rose Cochran, wife of US Senator Thad Cochran. Commissioned into the U.S. Atlantic Fleet on 12 December 1992, Barry's arrival brings the number of U.S. Navy ships homeported in Everett to eight: USS Momsen (DDG 92), USS Gridley (DDG 101), USS Sampson (DDG 102), USS Kidd (DDG 100), USS John Paul Jones (DDG 53), USS John S McCain (DDG 56) and USS McCampbell (DDG 85).



vy ship named after the "Father of the American Navy," Commodore John Barry (1745–1803). The crew is led by CDR Grant Bryan, Commanding Officer. *"Barry has maintained the sharp edge on the tip of the spear for over 30 years,"* said Bryan. *"Commodore Barry set the bar high for our sailors to emulate, he was scrappy in a fight with unwavering dedication to country."* The ship's next task will be to undergo scheduled maintenance for approximately nine months. The maintenance will conduct ship modernization and ensure it achieves its expected service life. After maintenance is complete, the ship will remain at its new homeport in Everett. Bryan said, *"The crew is proud to keep it shipshape and seaworthy. I could not be prouder of this crew for how well they have executed our forward deployed missions and I am thankful for the families who have supported their sailors during this move."* Several improvements over Arleigh Burke exist on this ship and all following Arleigh Burke-class destroyers, such as the ability to refuel a helicopter. USS Barry's keel was laid down 26 February 1990, at the Ingalls Shipbuilding shipyard in Pascagoula, MS. Launched on

A future Barry Bulldog: In May, Midshipman First Class Megan Rumbaugh (*below*) chose orders to USS Barry during the USNA ship selection night as a Surface Warfare Officer with Engineering Duty Officer option. The ship was honored that she visited the Commodore John Barry Memorial on a rainy Annapolis day to pay tribute to the Father of the Navy and USS Barry's namesake!





USS Jimmy Carter (SSN 23) held a Change of Command on 9 June at the Naval Undersea Museum in Keyport, WA at which CDR Benjamin Grant, USN (*right*) was relieved by CDR Joseph Campbell, USN (*left*). Born and raised in Phoenix, AZ, CDR Campbell graduated from the US Naval Academy in 2006. CDR Campbell previously served on USS Pennsylvania (SSBN 735), USS Connecticut (SSN 22), XO on USS Springfield (SSN 761) and as Commander Submarine Squadron 7 Operations Officer. He most recently was the Deputy Executive Assistant to Commander, US Pacific Fleet.



Photo by ENS Andrea Perez

The Arleigh Burke-class guided missile destroyer, **USS John S. McCain (DDG 56)**, arrived in Portland, OR for the annual Rose Festival during Portland Fleet Week on 8 June 2023. Portland Fleet Week is a time-honored celebration of sea services and provides an opportunity for the citizens of Oregon to meet sailors, marines and coast guardsmen, as well as witness firsthand the latest capabilities of today's maritime services.



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