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# **FUTURE EVENTS**

26 June Trident sub tour
USS Nebraska (SSBN 739)
0915 Meet at Keyport Naval
Undersea Museum
See details on council website
Respond by 18 June to
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# USS Kidd (DDG 100) Honored at Spring Dinner



(Above left to right) CDR Mike Williams, CO, USS Kidd; USS Kidd Blue Jacket of the Year LS3 Justin Best, USN; USS Kidd Sailor of the Year SH1 Randy Castillo, USN; CAPT Kyle Colton USN, Commodore, Destroyer Squadron NINE; CMCDCM Darrin Lowe, USN, USS Kidd (See full article on page eight)





# VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE



To say that the first half of 2018 has been busy for the Lake Washington & Everett Council would be an understatement. Our annual "Healy" dinner in March was one of the best attended events in the past couple of years with over

100 attendees. CAPT Greg Tlapa gave a presentation on the Healy's mission in 2017, including the first Arctic dive in 11 years. We also recognized the Healy Sailors of the Quarter and Sailor of the Year at the dinner. At our May dinner, we had our first Navy presenter after nearly two years in CAPT Kyle Colton, USN, the new Commodore of Destroyer Squadron 9, who enthralled us with the activities of Carrier Strike Group 11 and DESRON 9 over the last year. We were also privileged to host the USS Kidd Sailor of the Year SH1 Randy Castillo and Blue Jacket of the Year LS3 Justin Best. CDR James "Mike" Williams, USN, CO of USS Kidd (DDG 100), explained to us why these sailors were chosen and we all agreed that the honors were very well deserved. SH1 Castillo, in addition to being the Sailor of the Year for USS Kidd, also won SOY for DESRON 9 and also Carrier Strike Group 11. Bravo Zulu SH1 Randy Castillo! We signed three new community affiliate members:

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- American Licorice Company (maker of Red Vines and Sour Punch candy)
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We welcomed ten new individual members:

Mike Golshanara
Milt Heger
Curt & Laura Shriner
Teresa Hansen
Bruce Stewart
Sally Cravens

Loraine "Sam" Samano
Curt & Laura Shriner
Derrick Crummy
Grant Tietje

As part of our outreach with Naval Station Everett, we met with most of the commands that call NAVSTA Everett "homeport." To gauge their interest, we explained to them the process of adopting the units on base. The response was overwhelming in desiring to be adopted by the Lake Washington & Everett Council. We are currently waiting for the JAG to approve the language for the adoption paperwork before setting dates for unit adoptions. We also hosted many units at the Scuttlebutt Brewery & Restaurant at our monthly Thursday afternoon social receptions over the past few months. So far, we hosted USS Kidd (March), Afloat Training Group (April) and the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility (May) as the featured units. On 21 June, we will host USS Shoup (DDG 86) as our featured unit. Please attend and raise a toast to the fine sailors of the Shoup on the 21st and at all our Scuttlebutt events every third Thursday of the month from 1600-1900. Liberty High School NJROTC held their annual awards on 24 May. Cadet Dominic Ogino was awarded the Navy League Theodore Roosevelt Youth Medal for being the outstanding cadet of the NJROTC. The Naval Station Everett Division of the US Naval Sea Cadet Corps held its Senior Graduation and Awards luncheon on 12 May. Out of the five cadets graduating from the program, one enrolled in a four year university, two enlisted in the Army and one enlisted in the Marine Corps. The last cadet is still working with the Navy Recruiting Office to enlist in the Navy. The University of Washington NROTC commissioned two graduates into the Marine Corps on 30 March. The Navy League is holding its National Convention at Portland from 6-9 June. Some of our board members are scheduled to attend the conference. As always, the Lake Washington & Everett Council is looking to add more members who would like to support our sea services. If someone is interested in joining the council, please contact CMC Kevin Isherwood, our Membership Director at (240)786-2775 or email: membership.lwe@gmail.com or contact any of our board members. Thank you to all our current members and friends and we look forward to seeing you at our future events.

#### Sanu Chacko President

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NavSta Everett won a Chief of Naval Operations Environmental Award for Sustainability on 10 April. "Our environmental and public works staff labor diligently along with our partners in the community, as well as local Tribes, to help keep us on track toward increasing our overall efficiency," said CAPT Mark Lakamp, NavSta Everett CO. Everett was honored for diverting more than half of its waste to recycling, reducing energy use by 10 percent, and upgrading spill prevention and response training.

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On behalf of the council, Pete Stiles presented **Matt Thompson** (*left above*) a Council Certificate of Appreciation for his excellent work as a council board member. Matt was instrumental in the redesign of the council web site, implementation of the on line payment for council dinners and valued for his reasoned counsel at board meetings.

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# UW NROTC Winter Commissioning By Pete Stiles

By Pete Stiles
Photos courtesy of NROTC

Council President Sanu Chacko, his daughter Jessica and board members Dan Burr and Pete Stiles attended the University of Washington NROTC winter commissioning ceremony on 30 March at Kane Hall on the UW campus. Presiding over the ceremony, attended by 66 guests and 30 midshipmen and officer candidates, was CAPT Michael Lockwood USN, Professor of Naval Science and CO of the UW NROTC. Guest speaker was



CAPT Stephen Stone, USMC, currently serving as NROTC Marine Officer Instructor, Battalion Operations Officer and Command Fitness Officer. 2ndLt Graduate Sean McClanahan, USMC (left) was born on 24 August 1996 in Salem, OR. The oldest of three children, he and his family moved to Hawaii, later settling in Camas, WA. Upon graduating from high school, he applied for the four year

NROTC scholarship and reported to Husky Battalion in September 2014. 2ndLt McClanahan, USMC will report to The Basic School, Quantico,

VA, on 7 May 2018. 2ndLt Nicole Rankin, USMC (right) was born on 26 October 1995, in San Luis Obispo, CA. After high school in Frisco. TXshe joined Husky Battalion as a college programmer and received a scholarship in her sophomore



year. During her time in Husky Battalion, she was involved in Battalion Orientation sophomore and junior years, serving as Platoon Sergeant and Platoon Commander. She also served as the Regulation Drill Platoon Sergeant and Platoon Commander, Bulldog Supply Chief and Bulldog Company Commander. She will report to The Basic School in Quantico, VA, on 13 August 2018.

#### Lake Washington & Everett Council Monthly Navy Receptions Update By Pete Stiles

On Thursday, 15 March, Lake Washington & Everett Council hosted its second Navy Reception at



the Scuttlebutt Brewing Company, (above) located on the Everett waterfront. Thirty active duty and civilian guests attended, including CDR Mike Williams USN, commanding officer of the USS Kidd (DDG 100) and his wife Nicole: Kidd Executive Officer: Command Master Chief: two Kidd Sailors of the Quarter and their most recent Blue Jacket of the Quarter. Other attendees were RADM Mike Sharp USN, Retired and CAPT Kathy DiMaggio USN, Retired; Co-Chairmen of the USS Washington (SSN 787) Commissioning Committee and Jeff Davis, President of the Seattle Council. During the evening they presented Scuttlebutt Brewing Company with a plaque commemorating Scuttlebutt's contribution, a specially created dark lager beer, named the "Blackfish" which was used dur-

ing the USS Washington's official commissioning ceremony. LW&E Council will continue to host monthly receptions at Scuttle-



butt and recognize enlisted members of Naval Station Everett's afloat and/or ashore commands and introduce the council to prospective Navy League individual and community affiliate members. At the 19 April gathering, the council recognized CDR John Bartac, USN, CO of the Afloat Training Group Pacific NW and a number of his crew.

## Honor, Respect, Devotion to Duty: EM2 Kelly Yost, an electrician to keep an "ion"

Article & photo By Petty Officer 2nd Class Alissa Flockerzi, CGD13

The electrician trade is known for being a heavily male-dominated workforce, both in and outside of the military. When Coast Guard Petty Officer 2nd Class Kelly Yost decided to become an electrician's mate (EM), she knew she was entering a world where she would have her physical and mental capacities tested. "As a woman in the military, I recognize that the ratio between men and women serving is unequal," said Yost. "When you go into an engineering rating as a woman, it's harder still because you're even more of a fraction, so I worked hard to be as mentally and physi-



cally strong as the men I work with." Being an electrician's mate requires a vast knowledge electrical theory along with the practical handsskills on required to manage, repair, maintain, calibrate, and install all kinds of electrical and electronic equip-

ment. As a small boat engineer and a senior lighthouse technician stationed at Aids to Navigation Team (ANT) Puget Sound in Seattle, WA, Yost is responsible for the servicing, maintenance and discrepancy response of 346 primary aids to navigation (ATON). She also assists with the discrepancy response on 246 secondary aids maintained by the crews of the Coast Guard Cutters Fir, Hickory and Henry Blake. As a small boat engineer, Yost schedules, coordinates and ensures the completion of maintenance on three ANT unit vessels, including the complex task of maintaining the unit's 40year-old, 55-foot aids to navigation boat. "The EM rating appealed to me specifically because electricity was something I had little working knowledge in," said Yost. "I wanted a career that would challenge me, force me outside my comfort zone and increase my skills and capabilities. The

variety and opportunities in my job are what makes being an electrician's mate a rewarding career." One experience Yost considered exceptionally rewarding was serving on a small team chosen for their ATON lighthouse technical expertise. They worked together to rewrite the course curriculum for the Coast Guard Lighthouse Maintenance Course. She also worked with Coast Guard Training Center Yorktown (TRACEN) personnel, the Waterways Operations Product Line and the Office of Navigation Systems to validate 26 terminal performance objectives identified in the TRACEN Job Task Analysis of the Lighthouse Maintenance Course. Alongside her commitment to her job at the ANT, Yost is a strong advocate for volunteering in her community to help promote human welfare. "I do a lot with combating homelessness and I enjoy working with veterans and seniors with disabilities," said Yost. "Volunteering allows you to see outside of yourself and look at the bigger picture. It only takes a small amount of time to change the life of somebody forever." During her time in Seattle, Yost volunteered with emergency food networks, Boy and Girl scouts, the Special Olympics, Northwest Food Harvest, Compass Housing Alliance and the Honor Flight Network, to name a few. Women make up only about 10-to-15 percent of all Coast Guard personnel, so it's important to recognize and retain high-achieving individuals like Yost. After considering her extensive contributions to the EM rating, her heavy involvement in the community, and her dedication to becoming well-rounded in all facets of her life. Yost was chosen as the Enlisted Person of the Year for the 13th Coast Guard District. The citation reads:

"Demonstrating professionalism and dedication to duty, she enabled her Shipmates' qualifications and proficiency with updating unit Job Qualification Requirements, fitness standards, and boat trailering procedures, increasing the command's mission readiness, efficiency, and effectiveness. Petty Officer Yost led unit missions, partnered across the District in Aid to Navigation mission support, and assisted in improving the Coast Guard's Lighthouse Maintenance Course. Additionally she is a community leader, volunteering at senior centers, homeless shelters, and vouth organizations; her infectious enthusiasm is a model of servant-leadership." BM2 Timothy L. Porter, CG STA Yaquina Bay, Newport, OR was the 2017 Reserve Enlisted Person of the Year.

#### **Annual USCGC Healy Dinner**

**Bv Pete Stiles** Photos by Delgene Phillips

On 21 March, The Lake Washington & Everett Council held its annual dinner honoring adopted unit USCGC Healy (WABG 20) with 82 guests including 45 Healy crew members. Following the no host social hour. Council President Sanu Chacko opened the event with Liberty High School NJROTC presenting the colors and Liberty High School Cadet Nicolas Romero leading the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Board member Jim Ardissono gave the invocation and the buffet dinner was served. At 1945, Sanu intro-



duced Cheryl Carder (left), of Aviation Technical Services, the council's first Everett Community area Affiliate Member. Cheryl was presented with the Navv League's formal plaque and spoke briefly about

her company... "who they are and what they do." GE Power is the USCGC Healy's primary contractor and each year contributes \$1,000 to help defray dinner costs. Sanu introduced Jason Yan (below), Government Service Leader - North America, GE Power Conversion, who traveled from Houston, TX to attend the dinner. Jason in

introturn. duced additional **GE** Power Conversion attendees: David Muniz, Service Delivery Manager; Brandon Gaus. Lead



ject Manger; Clive Reed, Senior Engineer and Don Chambers, Senior Engineer - all traveled from Township, PA to attend the dinner. Following Jason's remarks of continuing support for Healy, Sanu presented Jason with the council's formal Certificate of Appreciation and thanked him for GE Power Conversion's continued finan-



cial support of the Healy Dinner. CAPT Greg Tlapa USCG, Healy's Commanding Officer began his program by recognizing past Healy skippers RADM Jeff Garret, Retired and CAPT Dave Visneski, USCG, Retired (above left to right along with RADM Bert & Susie Kinghorn & Sally Garret) and thanking the GE Power Conversion team. He briefed on the past summer Healy cruise of 147 days ending just before Thanksgiving. During the cruise, it was noted that open water occurred earlier and stayed open longer resulting in increasing vessel traffic in the Bearing Strait including the first northern sea route voyage by Russian LNG vessel, Cruise vessel Crystal Serenity and USCGC Maple transiting the Northern Passage. CG R&D Center tested three projects: surface craft, underwater drone and aerial drone. Additionally, an ice capable oil skimmer displayed a lot of challenges



**Left:** Janie Nicodemus chats with MK1 Camille Sutton

during testing. NOAA funded a recurring international mission in the Chukchi Sea collecting

ples by Van Vean Grab (editor's note: check Google Images, no room for photo) or by net from pre selected areas to study biological life forms. Collected salinity, temperature and depths readings are the backbone of scientific research in the ocean. Healy assisted the Office of Naval Research on a multi-year acoustic properties project. Another task assisted with the CG Marine Board investigation into the sinking of the 98 foot Crab Vessel Destination that disappeared in February with no survivors. With the aid of Healy multi-beam sonar and a deep water sounder adjusted for shallow water, Healy used ROV cameras to positively identify the vessel on the bottom and eventually recovered a 800 pound crab pot – one of approximately



**Left to right:** SN Carley Franklin, SN Madeline Nilson, FN Alyssa Diaz, and YNC Mandy Bowen



Left to right: MKCS Brandon Stracener, SKC Alan Plaster, & MSTC William Winegar discussing either the one that got away or the desired size of the buffet dinner plate.

200 on the vessel when departing Dutch Harbor. Destination's original stability calculations were based on 700 pound crab pots. Arctic dive operations returned on the Healy on this trip and were covered in an article in the March issue of *Voyager*. Among the lighter moments on the return trip to Seattle, an on board wedding was performed in Tracy Arm, clay pigeon shooting conducted on the stern and a Sumo wrestling night. The dinner program ended with certificates presented to CAPT Tlapa (*right*), Healy 2017 Sailors of the Quarter BM3 Brandon Arciello, MK3 Danielle Ray and MK3 Ashley Harshell and 2017 Sailor of the Year was awarded to SK1 Francis Purcell.



#### USS Kidd (DDG 100) Honored at May Dinner

Compiled by Pete Stiles & Delgene Phillips Photos By Delgene Phillips

The Lake Washington and Everett Council held its annual spring dinner at the Bellevue Red Lion Hotel on Wednesday, 16 May. Pledge of Alle-



giance led was NJROTC Cadet Lindsay Carvalho. New Communitv Affiliate Bellevue Red Lion was represented by Kim Polanco (left) who was glad to be supporting the Navy League again. Mike Spence, (below) NL Northwest Region VP for Legislative Affairs gave a presentation on his duties, the NL organization and the mission to educate and

inform members of Congress on the importance of a strong Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and Merchant Marine. CAPT Stash Romanowicz,



USCG (below with wife Jennifer) was introduced and he thanked the council and particularly Pete Stiles, unit liaison for LW&EC, for supporting adopted unit Base Seattle during his tour as commanding officer since July 2015. Stash will retire





Left to right: NJROTC Cadets Chandler Alexander, Olivia Van Ry, Mathea Caole & Faith Ellis

this summer and was presented the Council Certificate of Appreciation. Keynote Speaker was CAPT Kyle Colton USN, Commodore, Destroyer Squadron NINE. USS Kidd (DDG 100) is home ported at Naval Station Everett and is one of six Arleigh Burke Class Destroyers that comprise DESRON NINE. CAPT Colton (below) began with an brief overview of Navy operations including the Pacific Northwest. He emphasized the con-



tribution of over 325,00 active duty and almost 100,000 reserves to the phrase "Best Navy in the World." Today, 40% of the Navy fleet is deployed and 38% is underway training. Navy Region Pacific Northwest has the majority of P-3/P-8 ASW aircraft and EA-18G electronic warfare aircraft in

the Navy. If the navy vessels were measured by tonnage, the Pacific NW would have the fourth largest navy in the world. DESRON NINE was originally established in 1920 and since then has been disestablished and reestablished several times and in 1994 was moved to Everett and made 11 deployments. DESRON NINE has two jobs: administrative duty is to man, train and equip the six destroyers for overall warfare readiness. Under the Strike Group 11 (Nimitz), DESRON NINE has tactical duty, when deployed, as the sea combat commander responsible for ASW and anti-surface



**Left to right**: Council members Cordelia Phillips & June Allison, guests Ashish Tripathi & Jessica Chacko

warfare, positioning of ships and aircraft, and defense of the aircraft carrier. Otherwise, the destroyers conduct maintenance, training on own or composite training as a group. On the last deployment in June, DESRON NINE as part of Strike Group 11, on loaded the air wing in San Diego, conducted a fleet battle problem en route to Hawaii, followed by a major undersea warfare exercise successfully defending USS Nimitz (CVN 68). Near Guam, air wing bombing proficiency and operations with a South Korean submarine





Left to right: Zita Lowe, council member Cec Allison & CMCDCM Darrin Lowe, USS Kidd

were conducted. HMNZS Te Kaha (F77), a New Zealand frigate, joined the task force. Arriving in Chennai, India, a tri-level exercise with India, US and Japan was conducted with carriers of all three countries. Indian MiG-29 aircraft made touch and go's on Nimitz. DESRON then arrived in the Arabian Gulf in June for Operation Inherent Resolve during which almost 1,00 bombs were dropped on ISIS units in almost four months. Highest temperature on Nimitz was 157 degrees. DESRON protected the carrier against ISIS small boats prodding and feinting but no actual attacks. US tri-carrier operations were



conducted off Japan on the return from deployment. At the program conclusion, the council recognized USS Kidd's outstanding enlisted crew members: Sailor of the Year SH1 Randy Castillo, USN (above) and Blue Jacket of the Year LS3 Justin Best, USN (at left). Junior Sailor of the Year FC2 Jonathan McNease USN, unable to attend the dinner, was recognized for his outstanding performance. The sailors impressive performance was related to the dinner guests by CDR Mike Williams, USN, CO of USS Kidd.

### Council Tour of The Boeing Everett Final Assembly Facility

Article and photo by Jim Ardissono

On 27 March, 32 guests of the LW&E Council were guided around the assembly floor on a VIP Tour among huge aircraft in final assembly. The group included active duty Army members of the 1st Special Forces Group and Air Force officers from Joint Base Lewis-McChord. Guests wore headphones as our Boeing guide shared information on all the different planes in final assembly in Everett: 747 (mostly for freight carriers, i.e., UPS, FedEx, etc.), 757, 767 (KC-46A military refueler due in late 2018), 777 and 787 carbon composites which have many efficiencies and benefits. One is the reduced maintenance over the life of an aircraft made of titanium and aluminum. Approximately every six years, rivets must be replaced in the titanium and aluminum aircraft with a larger rivets, resulting in a heavier aircraft. Another HUGE benefit of the 787 carbon composite fuselage is a more comfortable flight leaving you with less 'jetlag' due to better air pressure. I cannot wait to fly in a BOEING 787. A Big Thank You to Boeing's Robert Kiga, Kim Muromoto and our tour guide, Liam.

#### **NJROTC Activities**

By John Deehr Photos courtesy of NJROTC

On 31 March we held our annual Navy Ball at Sahallee Country Club. It was the largest ball we've had in recent memory with over 140 cadets and guests attending. We held a traditional cake cut-



Cadet LCDR Luke Ransom shares a dance with his mom at the NJROTC Annual Navy Ball.

ting ceremony and our guest of honor, Chief Al Torstenson,

USN, Retired gave a wonder-ful speech! On 19-20 April we held the semi-annual physical fitness test and nearly 40% of the unit earned the physical fitness ribbon,

an increase of nearly 12% from the first semester. On 27 April we held the second annual Captain's Cup Physical Fitness Competition. During this competition, platoons competed against each other





(At left) Chief Spears, USN, Retired, & Naval Science Instructor for Liberty NJROTC, samples the beef at the Ball.



(Left to right) Cadets Joey Francis (9), Travis Brownlee (11), Dave Young (9), and Edwin Lopez Martinez (11) hold 8 lb. sand sticks above their heads while doing squats as CAPT Deehr calls the squat cadence. Cadet Brownlee ultimately won the competition narrowly defeating Cadet Young.

in various physical and fun events. It was a huge success with over 90% of our cadets participating during and/or after school hours. In all, we held nine physical fitness events that included: plank/leg lift hold, combat relay run, push-ups and situps, 8 lb. sand stick hold with squats, wall sit and combat fitness test. After school activities included: three legged race, basketball shooting, dizzy bat relay, and tug-of-war.

(Below) Female cadets and guests gather for a group picture at the annual Liberty High School NJROTC Navy Ball.



Patriot Company Cadets took part in a King County Parks restoration project by pulling blackberry bushes along Maplewood Heights Park trails. Participating in the event were *(Above left to right)* Eli Deehr, CAPT John Deehr, Chief Matthew Spears, and Cadets Ryan Do, Lane Harryman, Karis Sok, Giovanni Francavilla, Karis, Sok, Jasalyn Sok, Nicholas Romero, & Hannah Nguyen.



(Left to right) Delta Platoon Cadets: Ian Caskey (11), Robert Ibsen (11), Ben Matsche (12), Simon Dodd (12), Sarah Bernhard (9), Alex Pham (11), Olivia Vanni (10), Gavin Lindquist (9), Thomas Le (10), Christian Castro (10), Lane Harryman (9), & Jasalyn Sok (11) are presented the Captain's Cup after scoring 31 points winning the second annual Captain's Cup Physical Fitness Competition.



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