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FUTURE EVENTS

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| Board Meeting | TBD |
| Dinner Meeting | TBD |
| Scuttlebutt Social Hour | TBD |

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Carrier Strike Group ELEVEN
Destroyer Squadron Nine
USS Kidd (DDG 100)
USS Momsen (DDG 92)
USS Gridley (DDG 101)
USS Ralph Johnson (DDG 114)
USS Sampson (DDG 102)
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Coast Guard holds change-of-watch ceremony for Thirteenth District Command Master Chief

Photo by PO3 Michael Clark USCG

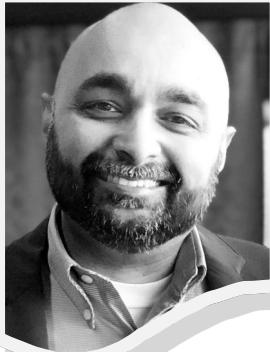
On 25 June, Master Chief Petty Officer Shane Carroll (*below right*) relieved Master Chief Petty Officer Jason Wong (*below left*) as the 13th Coast Guard District Command Master Chief during a change of watch ceremony at Alki Lighthouse. The change of watch ceremony, presided over by RADM Anthony "Jack" Vogt, (*center below*) commander, 13th District, is a time-honored tradition and ensures the continuity of leadership in the district. Carroll will carry on the primary responsibility of advising the 13th District commander (*below center*) on issues and initiatives pertaining to all Coast Guardsmen and their families throughout the district.



Carroll is reporting from CG Sector Lower Mississippi River, where he served as the Command Senior Enlisted Leader, with a primary responsibility to advise the sector commander on issues and initiatives pertaining to all USCG members and their families throughout the Sector. Originally from Orting,

WA, Carroll enlisted in October 2002 and served aboard USCGC Chase (WHEC 718) in San Diego before attending Operations Specialist "A" school in Petaluma, CA. Other assignments include Air Station Astoria, Sector Honolulu, USCGC Mohawk (WMEC 913) (Key West, FL), Communications Area Master Station Pacific (Pt. Reyes, CA), and Sector Detroit. Carroll is a graduate of the CG Chief Petty Officers Academy and the CG Senior Enlisted Leadership Course. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Human Resource Development, Magna Cum Laude, from Hawaii Pacific University. Carroll is married to the former Jennifer Lynn Evans, and they are parents of: Isla, age six and Cole, age four.

VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE



Welcome all to the summer 2021 edition of the Voyager, the 2020 Mackie Award winning newsletter of the Lake Washington & Everett Council of the Navy League. This issue is very short but with updates from many of our council supported units. Summer events included:

- US Coast Guard District 13 had a change of command with RADM Melvin Boubolis USCG relieving RADM Jack Vogt USCG in July.
- USCG District 13 also has a new Command Master Chief in CMC Shane Carroll who relieved CMC Jason Wong.
- CAPT Allen Adkins USN relieved CAPT Michael Lockwood USN as the Commanding Officer of the University of Washington NROTC Husky Battalion.
- RDML Christopher Sweeney USN relieved RDML James Kirk USN as the Commander of Carrier Strike Group 11 (Nimitz group).
- CAPT Joshua Menzel USN relieved CAPT

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Michael Davis USN as the Commanding Officer of Naval Station Everett.

- NMRTU Everett recognized the following Sailors of the Third Quarter, 2021:

- ♦ JSOQ - HM2 Jeremy Gilliat USN
- ♦ SOQ - HM3 Maria Cuenca USN
- ♦ BJOQ - HN Simplicia Montoya USN

USS John Paul Jones (DDG 53), under the leadership of CDR Robert Watts USN (CO), CDR Rob Franklin USN (XO) and CMDCM Joshua Joiner USN, just arrived at her new homeport, Naval Station Everett. Welcome to Everett, (DDG 53), we hope to support you as we support all the other units at Naval Station Everett.



On a sadder note, our council lost a great friend in Navy League Life Member June Allison who passed away on 3 July. We will all miss June's warm welcomes at our council events. Our deepest condolences to June's husband, CAPT Cecil Allison, USCG, Retired and the rest of her family.

We are trying our best to try and restart our council's monthly socials and dinner activities but are being hampered by the resurgence of COVID-19 in Washington state. We hope to get back on track as soon as we can. We are still hoping that we can hold our December Naval Station Dinner, in addition to a couple of socials and, possibly, a dinner in Bellevue before the year ends.

In the meantime, if you know of anyone who is interested in supporting our council or the Navy, Coast Guard and Marine Corps units in our area, please let me know.

Stay safe and healthy. Thank you and best regards,

*Sanu
 President*

News of Council Supported Units

On 11 June, **Husky Battalion** commissioned five new ensigns and one new second lieutenant into the Navy and Marine Corps. The ceremony was conducted at the Mukilteo Lighthouse Park and was the first in-person ceremony in over a year. Congratulations to the new commissioned officers on completing all of their demanding work, and best of luck in the fleet. CAPT Lockwood and CDR Flynn commissioned ENS Bogdovitz, ENS Adams, ENS Glassett, ENS Kuklenski, ENS Simms, and 2ndLt Branstetter.

On 30 June, University of Washington NROTC **Husky Battalion** conducted its change of command ceremony. CAPT Allen Adkins relieved CAPT Michael Lockwood as University of Washington NROTC Commanding Officer. Congratulations to CAPT Lockwood on his successful tour and welcome CAPT Adkins to the unit.

On 29 July, RADM Christopher Sweeney, Commander, **Carrier Strike Group 11**, participated in a change of command ceremony on the flight deck of the USS Nimitz (CVN 68) as CAPT Craig Sicola relieved CAPT Maximilian Clark as commanding officer of the USS Nimitz.

On 13 August, Chief of Naval Operations ADM Mike Gilday, (*below right*), speaks with Junior



Sailor of the Year, Sonar Technician (Submarine) 1st Class Alex Hallman, assigned to **Undersea Research and Development**, in Silverdale, WA. Seawolf-class submarines are designed to seek out and destroy enemy submarines and surface ships in a wide spectrum of tactical scenarios, working both independently (*continued on page 4*)

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(continued from page 3) and in consort with other Naval units. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Emilia C. Hilliard)

USS Gridley (DDG 101) sailor FCA2 Joll (below left) was awarded a Navy and Marine



Corps Achievement Medal. Also, congratulations again to FCA2 Joll for earning the Warrior of the Week citation! Every week one division selects Gridley's Warrior of the Week. FCA2 Joll was nominated for his continuing contributions that impact the missions of the Combat Systems Department and Operations Department onboard, which in turn makes Gridley a successful fighting ship. BZ FCA2 Joll!

Comprised of ships and personnel from three U.S. 7th Fleet task forces, Independence-variant littoral combat ship **USS Tulsa (LCS 16)**, Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer **USS Kidd (DDG 100)**, and a detachment from Commander, Task Group (CTG) 75.1/Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit (EODMU) 5 joined together to form a Surface Action Group (SAG) while underway in the South China Sea. The SAG formation marks the first time a deployed LCS and DDG have joined to form a surface task group, supplemented by navy expeditionary forces (NEF), expanding capabilities that enable the fleet commander to execute a full spectrum of maritime and theater littoral warfare operations, on, above and below the water. *"The tactical value of a SAG, comprised of LCS and DDG, operating in a distributed manner cannot be overstated,"* said RADM Chris Engdahl, Commander, Expeditionary Strike Group (ESG) 7/Task Force

(CTF) 76. *"Combining the capabilities of these teams into one networked node demonstrates our commitment to regional stability across the entire theater. The demonstrated adaptability of these deployed forces are clear indications of U.S. 7th Fleet's continued support of a free and open Indo-Pacific."*

USS Gridley (DDG 101) (below) going alongside **USS Abraham Lincoln (CVN 72)** to demonstrate



proficiency with taking fuel from another ship that's not an oiler -- in this case, an aircraft carrier.

As previously reported, **Naval Station Everett** was designated as the Navy's future homeport for the initial 12 Constellation-class Frigates, the next generation of guided missile frigates. The homeporting plan will ensure forces are optimally postured to support national security. The new Constellation-class frigates will be built with improved capability to support the National Defense Strategy goal of achieving a resilient and agile force more quickly and affordably. This new class is designed to be agile, multi-mission warships, capable of operations in both blue-water and littoral environments, within a strike group or independently, to provide increased combat-credible forward presence. Specifically, this Constellation-class will include an Enterprise Air Surveillance Radar (EASR), Baseline Ten (BL10) AEGIS Combat System, Mk 41 Vertical Launch System (VLS), enhanced C4ISR capabilities, MK 110 57mm Gun, countermeasures, and added design flexibility for future growth. Last year a contract was awarded to build the first new frigate, the **USS Constellation (FFG 62)**, scheduled to be delivered in 2026.

Congratulations to **USS Ralph Johnson (DDG 114)** first Warrior of the Week of August, CTTSN Nathan Quaintance (*below*) of Fort Wayne, IN.



Senior Chief Ron Kielbasa (*above right*) Retirement Ceremony on **USS Jimmy Carter (SSN 23)** Photo by Gilbert Talamantez Guerra

Congratulations to the following **USS Sampson (DDG 102)** sailors (*below*) in achieving the Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist (ESWS) pin: ET3 Hernandez, FC2 Cagigas, HM3 Knight, IT2 Carter, CS2 Ray, STG2 Saturday, CTT2 Hutchinson, CTT2 Machesky, CTT2 Stevens, ET3 Riffe, ET3 Schatz, DC3 Peek, and MM3 Fresnido.

Congratulations to the following personnel for receiving the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal: LT Fender, LT Moore, LTJG Fagan, GM1 Gonzales, ET2 Delaney, and IC2 Duscheck



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