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November &  
December 2012

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Dec 25 Christmas Day  
**2013**
- Jan 01 New Years Day
- Jan 03 **INGLESIDE AREA COUNCIL**  
Officer/Director's Meeting, 1130,  
La Luna (106 South Austin,  
Rockport), Rockport
- Feb 07 **INGLESIDE AREA COUNCIL**  
Officer/Director's Meeting, 1130,  
La Luna (106 South Austin,  
Rockport), Rockport
- Feb 12 Lincoln's Birthday
- Feb 14 Valentine's Day
- Feb 18 President's Day



*Merry Christmas*  
&  
*Happy New Year!*

**ALL Officer/Director Meetings are OPEN to Council members!** We appreciate your inputs on how to make our Council more efficient and fun. Our only request is to please tell Bull Walker [361-463-1201 or [dustybulltx@gmail.com](mailto:dustybulltx@gmail.com)] in advance that you will be attending. We want to ensure we have ample space.

**Welcome Aboard** - no new members this period.

**Renewed:** Vickie ABREGO (14 years), Amy & Charles KAUTZ (6 years), and Todd W. PEARSON (10 years).

**Thank you for your continued support!!**

**We are holding at 107!**

President's Corner  
"Bull's Eye"



**2012**  
**Officers/Directors:**

**D.B. "Bull" Walker**  
(President)

(National Director)

**Dusty Walker** (Vice  
President)

**Felix Keeley**

(Treasurer)

(National  
Director)

**Pete Perkins**

(Secretary)

**Bill Janeczek**

(Honorary Director)

**Steve Morehead**

Dusty and I extend a very **Merry Christmas** to all and hope that everyone has safe New Year! Can you believe it is already 2013...

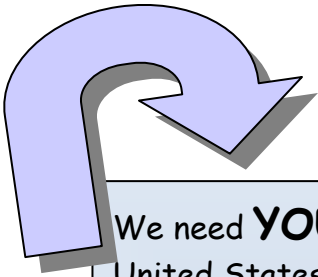
As we approach January we have set the "ball" in motion for our 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Junior Officer/Sailor/Junior Sailor of the Year Awards and BBQ. As of this writing we do not have a date (we're shooting for February/March timeframe), as soon as we set it I'll pass it on via an email. This is just the beginning of activities for the rest of the winter and spring - a busy year.

Our updated website is up and running ([www.navyleagueingleside.org](http://www.navyleagueingleside.org)), I hope you enjoy the new format! This site also contains many of our past newsletters. If you have any comments, forward them to me, thank you.

Our Navy Junior Reserve Office Training Corps have been busy. Please take a moment to read their articles; Thank you **Captain Jeff Carlson** (Rockport-Fulton High School) and **Lieutenant Rolando Gonzalez** (San Benito Veterans Memorial Academy).

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We need **YOU** as a citizen in support of the Sea Services (United States Navy, United States Marine Corps, United States Coast Guard, and U.S. Flag Merchant Marine).

#### Who is the **Navy League**?

- It is a community service organization with over **45,000** members worldwide, and **250** councils (chapters) conducting activities in local communities.
- Theodore Roosevelt promoted the founding of the Navy League in 1902, which was supported by the civilian and business communities - the condition that continues today.
- **AND everyone is eligible to be a member, we are all civilians.**

#### Mission and Goals:

- To educate national leaders and the nation in the necessity of a strong Maritime Service.
- Support the men and women of the *Sea Services*.
- Provide assistance to *Sea Service* families.
- Support youth programs.

#### Did you know?

- The US Navy has approximately the same number of ships today as **BEFORE** World War I. A serious decline that began in the 1990s and continues today due to insufficient funding.
- **95%** of world-wide trade is now transported by sea.
- The deterrent value of a strong Navy and Coast Guard and the need to protect the commercial sea lanes and maritime borders are necessary for our nation's continued vitality and strength.

**America's security and economic interests extend to every region of the globe.**

If you would be interested in supporting the United States Sea Services please give us a call or drop us a note. A membership application is on the next page.

Please pass this newsletter to a friend and ask them to join us.

**Thank you!**

## **MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES:**

(Years as Member/Anniversary Date of Renewal)

These are the dates your membership will expire. We continue to support the Coastal Bend Military Service personnel (Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and U.S Flag Merchant Marine) and our South Texas JROTCs. We need your continued support!

Jackie & Jeff **CARLSON** (3 years, 03/31/13), Thomas **DePUMA** (9 years, 02/28/13), Teri & “Andy” **FICKEN** (**11** years, 02/28/13), Merlin **HARTDEGEN** (7 years, 01/31/13), Fifi **KIESCHNICK** (3 years, 12/31/12), Phyllis & John **LIBERTI** (7 years, 03/31/13), Christine A. **MUELLER** (**10** years, 10/31/12), Mary & Sig **MURPHY** (1 year, 12/31/12), James T. **PAXTON** (6 years, 11/30/12), N. Charles **ROE** (9 years, 11/30/12), and Esther P. **WILLIAMS** (9 years, 04/30/13).

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## **LIFE MEMBERS**

(Year became LIFE members)

Nancy **ALLEN** (1988), Nancy & Ken **BLEWETT** (2000), Karen **CERVENKA** (2009), John F. **CHAPMAN** (2003), Dr. Cecil A. **CHILDERS** (1985), Cecil A. **CHILDERS III** (1993), Gloria & Bob **CLINE** (2003), “Babe” **CROUCH** (1973), Alan **DEARDORFF** (2001), Bonnie **DEMMITT** (1997), Wilson C. **EDWARDS** (1988), Norman R. **FLEEMAN, Jr.** (1998), Reneatha D. **GOLMAN** (1989), Jeff **GORDON** (1995), Alan **GRELLING** (1975), Ernest L. **HAGNESS** (1999), Genie & Frank **HAMETNER** (1988), Judy & David **HAWLEY** (2002), Nan **HONEY** (2005), Martha & Jim **ISELL** (2000), Bill W. **JANECEK** (1997), Pamela H. & Ronald E. **JORGENSEN** (1996), Barbara & George **KAIN** (1992), Upinder **KAMAL** (2001), Felix P. **KEELEY** (1992), Cassy B. **KEY** (2001), Larry C. **KEY** (2001), Vickie L. & Paul W. **LOEFFLER** (1999), Josephine **MILLER** (1989), John **MILLER** (1989), William M. **MILLER** (2007), Steve **MOREHEAD** (2008), Peter B. **MORGAN** (1988), Bob **O'DONNELL** (1993), Christine M. **PENNING** (2003), Ron **PIFER** (2001), Billie N. & Clayton E. **POENISCH** (2000), Oralia & Felix C. **RAMIREZ** (1992), Jim A. **ROBINSON** (1986), Steve A. **STEPHENSON** (1999), Chela **STORM** (2000), Tina **TREADWAY** (1989), Diane & W. Aaron **TUCKER** (2002), Donna & William R. **VADEN** (1998), Marcia W. & Donald B. **WALKER** (1994), Elaine **WILLEFORD-KEMP** (1992), Suzy **WILLIAMS** (1973), Ronald R. **WOODRUFF** (2001), and Carl D. **WORKMAN** (2002).

**Total of 62!**



With an enrollment report of 202, San Benito High School NJROTC hired a third instructor **Senior Chief Christopher Simmons** who just retired from active duty.

**Community Service:** The Cadets have been busy helping out the Community: They collected more than 3,000 cans of food items and \$125.00 - all was donated to the San Benito Food Pantry. The Cadets also helped the Valley Baptist Hospital and Elks Lodge



with the Annual Miracle Kids Rodeo Roundup. They manned food and game booths, including the dunk tank and even danced to the latest tunes with the Kids. On Halloween, they volunteered at the Atrium Nursing Home and helped run the Annual Fall Festival for the nursing home residents, employees and their families.

**School Support:** During football season the Cadets established three teams (Color Guard, Big Flag, and Flag Detail). Their mission was to start each home game patriotically and perform during the national anthem. They also participated in the Homecoming Parade and assisted with keeping the school clean during School Trash Bashes.

**Visits:** The Freshman Cadets travelled to the Harlingen Iwo Jima Memorial and Harlingen Naval Reserve Center and the Upper Classmen travelled to University of Brownsville Army ROTC to receive school and scholarship briefs.



**Competitions:** The Drill Teams competed in Harlingen, Seguin, San Antonio and Rockport. The teams did an outstanding job and placing in respectable positions.



The Rockport-Fulton High School Navy Junior ROTC has kept up a very active and aggressive schedule in November and December. We began this period with a very successful trip to Flour Bluff High School for the Sea Hornet Invitational JROTC Drill Meet and then the very next weekend we headed to Seguin High School for another competition, the Veterans Day Classic. The cadets performed extremely well in both of these events as we continue to prepare for the State Championship at Texas A&M University the first weekend in March. We also made our annual Veterans Day visit to Live Oak Elementary where our Color Guard performed during a student assembly and we taught the youngsters how to salute! After our RFHS

Veterans Day student assembly honoring our staff and faculty veterans, our cadets raised the flags at the Rockport Veterans Day ceremony at Veterans Memorial Park and **Captain Jeff Carlson** gave the keynote speech. After a well-deserved Thanksgiving break, the cadets attended the Air Force Basic Military Training graduation at Lackland AFB on November 30<sup>th</sup> and then competed at the Sea Dragon Classic JROTC competition at Southwest High School.

In December we have continued our community service efforts by assisting the Good Samaritans, the City of Fulton for the Winter Texan Fish Fry, the R-F Chamber of Commerce with the Holiday Luncheon, and the Texas Maritime Museum for the Belle Ball. We also hosted, for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year, our very own JROTC drill meet, the Coastal Bend Classic, at the RFHS campus on Saturday, December 8th. Over 450 cadets from 15 high schools attended, from areas including Houston, San Antonio, Corpus Christi, and the Valley. The weather was terrific, the participants were awesome, and the support from local parents and our active and reserve military was incredible. We had over 40 active and reserve Navy, Marine Corps, and Army personnel act as judges and inspectors for the event. Many thanks to our friends and visitors who came by to offer support.




***RFHS NJROTC Cadets at a static display on the Lackland AFB Parade Grounds.***

We hope everyone has a very Merry Christmas and Happy and Safe New Year!

**HELP US BUILD OUR NAVY LEAGUE COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP!** Use the form below or go to our website [www.navyleagueingleside.org](http://www.navyleagueingleside.org) and sign someone up. Either bring it and the person(s) to our next All-Hands function or **mail it to the address below**. This will ensure that the individual gets future newsletters as soon as possible.

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**THANKS YOU!!**

 Membership is open to U. S. citizens who are not on active duty with any military service.

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**INGLESIDE AREA**

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- Regular TWO YEAR ..... \$90.00
- Regular THREE YEAR ..... \$125.00
- Spouse of Active Duty Member ..... \$30.00
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