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**Come and join us on Wednesday, March 14th, 2007 and hear our speaker
RADM Alan B. "Brad" Hicks, USN, Program Director, Aegis Ballistic
Missile Defense, Missile Defense Agency and learn About the Navy's role
in Ballistic Missile Defense.**

RADM Hicks is the Program Director, *Aegis* Ballistic Missile Defense (BMD), the sea-based element of the Ballistic Missile Defense System (BMDS) under development by the Missile Defense Agency and Commander *Aegis* Ballistic Defense, a Naval Sea Systems Command Field Activity.



Please go to NOVA Council's web site at www.novanavyleague.org to see RADM Hicks' biography.

When: Wednesday, March 14th, 2007

Purpose: March General membership Meeting

Where: Navy League Headquarters, 2300 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA

Time: 6:30 pm - "no host" social time, cash bar

7:15 pm - Dinner - Italian buffet catered by Listrani's Restaurant

8:00 pm - Program, followed by brief Council business session

Program: RADM Alan B. "Brad" Hicks, USN, Program Director, Aegis Ballistic Missile Defense, Missile Defense Agency.

Cost: \$20 per person -- pay at the door

Cash or check (check preferred, payable to NLUS NOVA Council)

Reservations: By noon, Tuesday, Mar 13th, 2007, visit www.novanavyleague.org, or send email to duanewills@cox.net, or call 703-281-3708 If after making a reservation you find you are unable to attend please telephone us your cancellation.

Parking: Free parking on the street after 6:00 pm, or after 5:00 pm in county garage across Clarendon Blvd. Parking in NLUS garage \$10.00 for arrivals prior to 6:00 PM; \$6.00 for arrivals after 6:00 PM. Enter the garage from N. Adams Street, on the west side of the building. Or, use Metro (Orange line) to Court House Station.

NOVA Council Honored the USS ALEXANDRIA (SSN-757) CO, Chief of Boat, Outstanding Junior Officer of Year and Outstanding Sailors of Quarter and Year on Feb 18 2007 at lunch at Pat Troy's Irish Pub in Alexandria, VA



Pictured above, left to right: Chief of Boat CDMCM Wes Koshoffer, USN, LTJG Lewis Patterson, USN (Junior Officer of Year), EM1 Chris McCormack, USN (Sailor of Year), Pat Troy, MM3 Nicholas Vecchione, USN (Junior Sailor of Year), CDR Mike Bernacchi, USN (Commanding Officer), STSSN Dustin Katzberg, USN (Sailor of Quarter), and ET3 Charles Lee, USN (Sailor of Quarter). (John Camp photo)



Left: (L to R) Pat Troy, CDR Bernacchi, John Camp, CDMCM Koshoffer, Nancy Gorell. (Cynthia Dillon photo.)

Right: CO, John Camp and COB (Fred Gorell photo)



Left: (L to R) CO, Nancy Gorell, STSSN Katzberg (Fred Gorell photo)

Right: (L t R) Pat Troy, CO, John camp and COB With photo of Alexandria. (Fred Gorell photo)

NOVA Council presented certificates of recognition and checks to Outstanding Sailor of Year and Quarter and to Outstanding Junior Officer of Year. NOVA council also presented a check for \$200 to the Alexandria's MWR fund for benefit of crew and a copy of the Navy League History book for their library. CO presented NOVA Council a signed photo of USS Alexandria, an Alexandria ball cap and t-shirt. Nancy Gorell, VP Ship Liaison, presented Navy League t-shirts to all USS Alexandria personnel present. Nancy also arranged for NOVA Council's banner to be carried by CO to the North Pole and be photographed there when the submarine surfaces at the North Pole. Nancy made all arrangements for this event and coordinated with the City of Alexandria Liaison Committee.

Council Annual Meeting Highlights

January 10, 2007

The annual meeting, election and installation of new officers and directors for 2007 was held in the conference center at the Navy League National Headquarters building 2300 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington , VA at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 10, 2007. Council President Nancy Gorell called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and asked Jim Offutt, Nominating Committee Chair to present the slate of nominees for council officers and directors for 2007. The nominations were:

President – John Camp	Director – Steward Reuter
Treasurer – Nancy Gorell	Director – Roger Hood
Secretary – Michael Rice	Director - Stewart Reuter
Judge Advocate – Robert B. Haemer	Director (IT/Web Site) – A. Duane Wills
VP, Programs - Jim Offutt	Director – Carl Jones
VP, Ship Liaison – Nancy Gorell	Director (Membership) – Michael Schlitzer
VP, Administration – Michael Rice	Director (Events)
Director – Dorothy Harmon	Director (U.S. Coast Guard Liaison) – Mary Tozzi
Director – Charles Davis	Director (Public Relations) – Fred Gorell

Nominations from the floor were invited. There were none. The Judge Advocate determined that there was a quorum plus proxies received via email. A vote was taken and the slate was unanimously elected. Nancy Gorell called on NLUS National President John Panneton, who installed the new officers and directors,

Jim Offutt presented a memento to Nancy Gorell on behalf of the Council and John Panneton presented mementos to Nancy Gorell and to John Camp.

Nancy Gorell announced the forthcoming luncheon in honor of the USS Alexandria CO, COB and outstanding junior officer and Sailors of year and quarter to be held at Pat Troy’s Pub in Alexandria VA on Sunday February 18, 2007.

Jim Offutt, VP Programs, introduced RADM Charles S. Hamilton, USN, Program Executive Officer for Ships who presented an outstanding briefing on the status of Navy shipbuilding programs. After the briefing, Jim Offutt presented a copy of the Navy League’s History Book to RADM Hamilton. A raffle of USS Virginia ornaments and a throw blanket was conducted. Proceeds will be forwarded to support MWR projects of the submarine’s Wives Club.



2007 Officers and Directors: L to R) Roger Hood, Fred Gorell, Dorothy Harmon, Rob Haemer, John Camp, Nancy Gorell, Jim Offutt, Michael Schlitzer, Mary Tozzi, Duane Wills, Michael Rice, Charles Davis. Not pictured: Stewart Reuter and Carl Jones (Darren Cubell photo.).



Jim Offutt presented a Navy League History Book to RADM Hamilton. (John Camp photo)

Council Presidents Column



John Panneton, National President (L) and John Camp NOVA Council President (R)

Coming Events:

2007 SEA-AIR-SPACE
Expo - April 3-5, 2007

NOVA Council Meeting
May 9, 2007

This is my 20th year as a member of NOVA Council and I have enjoyed serving in various council roles --- as Secretary, Vice President (Administration), Vice President (Navy Recruiting Support), Membership Committee, Nominating Committee, Recruiting Committee, and as a National Director.

It is a great honor to be given this opportunity to serve as NOVA Council President. As your new president, I pledge to do my best to learn from the past, focus on the future and listen to our members as we move forward to better serve the men and women of the Sea Services.

I need your support and assistance, your ideas and your enthusiasm. Most of all I need your participation in Council events. Please contact me at (703) 241-0972 (H) or at NOVANLUS@aol.com with ideas and suggestions to improve NOVA Council. I look forward to serving with you.

Sincerely,
John R. Camp
President, NLUS NOVA Council

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