



APRIL 2026



The Lucky Bag

RICHMOND, VA NAVY LEAGUE OF THE UNITED STATES

Richmond Council Navy League Family and Friends Picnic Saturday May 9, 2026



Richmond Council is having their third Family and Friends Picnic on Saturday May 9, 2026, at the American Legion Post 354, 4800 Welby Turn, Midlothian, VA 23113, from 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM. This year, **entertainment is being provided by THE OUT OF TIME TRIO**. Playing songs from the Kingston Trio, John Denver and other folk songs from the past. (see <https://outoftimefolk.com/>). **The picnic is FREE** for Navy League members, family, and friends. We hope you plan to join us, rain or shine.

Post 354 is in Chesterfield County off Robious Road (Rt. 711), about two miles west of Chesterfield Towne Center. The site includes a main building with a large meeting hall, an outdoor patio with bench seating, and a panoramic view of the James River. Also, outside there are two covered pavilions with 37 picnic tables.

Options for group activities include cornhole, volleyball, horseshoes, badminton, and fishing along the riverbank (a license is required).

We will provide fried chicken and bottled water. Here is a [SignUpGenius](#) link to sign-up to bring a side dish to share. Feel free to bring your own beverage.

To help us with estimating the headcount, please complete the Summer Picnic Registration Form if you plan to attend. ✍

**Richmond Council Navy League Picnic Registration Form
Saturday May 9, 2026 at the American Legion Post 354 - 4800 Welby Turn – Midlothian, VA 23113**

Registration Deadline, May 2, 2026

Name: _____ Email: _____

of people in your group: _____ Telephone #: _____

Suggestions for group activities or other suggestions: _____

Please return form to: Richmond Council NLUS P.O. Box 11201 Richmond, VA 23230

If you have any questions, please call us at 804-355-7557 or FAX to 804-355-8788 or send us an Email to: navyleaquerichmond@comcast.net

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Vaughan F. Dize



Greetings Fellow Richmond Council Navy League Members and Friends.

We had a great turnout at our Admiral Gravely Spring Luncheon on March 11th, with 52 attending. Debbie Phillips was our Guest Speaker. Her portrayal of Rosie the Riveter was outstanding! Thank you to all who attended.

LCDR Gary Riffle retired after 15+ years of service from the USN AMERICA Division Sea Cadets. His Retirement Event was held on Sunday, March 8, at the Naval Reserve Center. Gary received high praise and recognition for his years of service and several outstanding achievements during his tenure.

The Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA-213), known as the Blacklions, are one of Richmond Council's adopted naval

units. Currently, they are deployed with the **USS Gerald R. Ford** Carrier Strike Group for the past ten months. To show our support, Richmond Council has set up an on-line process for sending care packages to the Sailors. (see page five of this issue for more details).

Again, I would like to reach out to our membership for help. We are in dire need of volunteers to help serve on our golf committee, as well as serving as a liaison to J.R. Tucker High School MCJROTC Program. I am currently liaison with two JROTC Programs, as well as a liaison with one of our adopted ships. We would appreciate your help. If you are interested, call our office, 804-355-7557 and leave a message.

Also, James M. Slay Detachment of the Virginia Marine Corps League needs a Navy representative for their Color Guard. If you are interested, contact our office and we will get you in touch with Joe Kelleher, USMC.

April Events in Naval History:

- April 1, 1893: U.S. Navy officially established the rank of Chief Petty Officer
- April 1, 1945: U.S. Forces invade Okinawa, Japan
- April 6, 1917: U.S. formally enters World War 1 by declaring war on Germany
- April 11, 1900: U.S. Navy buys its first modern commissioned submarine, the Holland VI; National Submarine Birthday

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Chaplain John A. Harler, M.D.



SPENDING TIME

*Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, **making the best use of the time**, because the days are evil (and attempt to steal our time). (Parenthesis, my words). There-*

fore, do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is (Ephesians 5:15-17).

"Spending time" is like spending money. Time is a valuable commodity. It is limited and quite valuable. Like money, once we spend it, it's gone. Do I ever wonder if what I spend my time on is a wise use of my time?

I save money in a savings account and a retirement fund. I budget how I spend it. I try to be a good steward of the money God "loans me." It's all His anyway.

Well, isn't time more valuable than money? I can't get a raise. No one gets more than 24 hours in a day. Time is a great equalizer. We all earn the same temporal wage.

The question is, do we appreciate the value of that wage?

- It's given regardless of what we do – it's a gift.
- It's guaranteed for life.
- Though we don't get a raise or cost-of-living allowances, we never get a decrease – it's fixed.
- It's secure and not susceptible to stock market volatility and other economic factors.
- There are no strings attached. We don't have to pay taxes on it or return it.
- It does pay dividends – depending on how we invest it. "Teach a man to fish ..." Investing in others pays dividends.

On the other hand, there are some differences between spending time and money –

- You can't put time in the bank and save it.
- Time must be spent, or you lose it – it doesn't carry over like vacation or sick leave at work. "Use it or lose it."
- It can be wasted, thrown away, and gambled with, like money.
- It's not a crime to spend some money (preferably budgeted) on R&R, entertainment, traveling, etc. On balance, it's a healthy way to spend some money. Similarly, with time, on balance, rest time – Sabbath – is God-inspired.

We may have a monetary tithing account where the 1st 10% of our income is deposited. But honestly, do we have a Temporal Tithing Account – setting aside the 1st 10% of our day for the Lord?

Lord, please help us to be good stewards of our time. Amen. ✍

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LCDR Gary Riffle, Sr. Retires after Twenty Years with the AMERICA Division Sea Cadets



ENS Steve Donahue, Commanding Officer USNSCC AMERICA Division, presents LCDR Gary Riffle with a Shadow Box displaying earned ribbons of recognition

LCDR Gary Rifle, Sr., a long time Richmond Council Board Member, also had a storied history with the U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps AMERICA Division.

After serving in numerous roles with the Sea Cadets, he recently retired after 15+ Years of Service. The Retirement Event took place on 8 March 2026 at the Naval Reserve Center in North Chesterfield, VA, and was attended by Sea Cadets and current leadership. Speakers included: current Commanding Officer, ENS Steve Donahue; XO LT Karl Rothenbach; AMERICA Division Financial Officer, Allison Kent; and Treasurer, Richmond Council NLUS, Billy Butler,

Gary was recognized for **outstanding service with multiple achievements** which included:

- Served as Commanding Officer for over five years
- Served XO for four years
- Selected as National Officer of the Year
- His Unit earned the Excellence Award in 2018 for being the #2 Unit in the Nation
- In 2019, he received the Chairman’s Award for Recruiting/Retention; His Unit received the Excellence Award and was recognized as a Top 10 Unit
- Conducted 50 hours of Training Courses
- Performed 83 hours of community service outside of Sea Cadets
- Served as Liaison for the Sea Cadets, advocating for their support, with the Richmond Council NLUS

All speakers spoke highly of Gary’s leadership and dedication to the AMERICA Division Sea Cadets. Gary was gifted with a shadow box including earned ribbons of recognition and a coffee cup recognizing his service as a Chief Petty Officer in the U.S. Navy. It was expressed by many that Gary holds the bar high for his successors. ✍

Richmond Navy League Establishes an Advocacy Taskforce

**Navy League of the United States
Citizens In Support of Sea Services
Our Mission Support – Educate – Advocate**

The mission of the Navy League of the U.S. is threefold: Support, Educate, and Advocate. Our Richmond Council is renowned for our hands-on support of our active Sea Services components. Our involvement with adopted ships and commands receives accolades on a national level. It is time to extend our support in an added direction – advocacy.

Advocacy is the interaction with legislators and government agencies to support broader issues that pertain to our Sea Services. We will do this as an extension (Council) of the Navy League of the U.S., so most of the concerns we will support (or oppose) will mirror those of NLUS’s Legislative Affairs Committee. We also reserve the right to take positions on state and local concerns.

Our Advocacy Taskforce has been developed to consider issues (campaigns), to decide if and how the Richmond Navy League will react, and to execute advocacy outreach. The Taskforce consists of seven of our members with substantial backgrounds and knowledge in the intricacies of Sea Services concerns, the advocacy process, effective communication, and critical thinking.

We invite our Navy League members to express their own concerns, and we will share with our members synopses of issues and our plan of action prior to

taking an action. Your input is invited to BPRobson6@gmail.com.

It is important to remember that the Navy League of the U.S is not a Veterans’ Service Organization (VSO) so our focus will be programmatic instead of benefits related. Topics will involve concerns like fleet readiness, ship-building, payment of military personnel during government shutdowns, and similar considerations. ✍

HOUSTON-HOLICKY-SITTER VETERANS FORUM

Date: Tuesday, April 14, 2026
Place: Publix / 2nd Floor
 Community Meeting Room
 2250 John Rolfe Pkwy
 Henrico, VA 23233
Time: Doors open 11:15 AM
 Arrive No later than 11:45 AM
Guest Speaker: Dennis Bigelow,
 President James Monroe
 Impersonator

**Mark your Calendars for Our
 Summer Luncheon
 Wednesday
 June 10, 2026
 At the
 Richmond Country Club
 With
 Guest Speaker
 Joe Kelleher, Ph.D., USMC
 Vietnam Veteran
 Topic: Moral Injury on Veterans**

**More details in next month’s issue
 of *The Lucky Bag***

>Welcome Aboard !

The Richmond Council Navy League is proud to welcome you as a member. In the weeks ahead, when you attend one of our Navy League events, please let the person at the registration desk know that you are a new member attending your first luncheon.

New Member
 CAPT Prescott L. Prince, USNR,
 (Ret.)

Sponsor
 Brian K. Miller

Council's Spring Luncheon Draws a Great Crowd for "Rosie the Riveter" Impersonator

Richmond Council's 2026 Admiral Samuel L. Gravely, Jr. Spring Luncheon was held at Richmond Country Club on Wednesday, March 11 and was well attended with 52 attending. Our guests included members of NTAG-Richmond (Navy Talent Acquisition Group), and Council's adopted Coast Guard ship **USCGC Northland (WMEC-904)**.

The program was highlighted by Debbie Phillips, historical presenter as "Rosie the Riveter." Her presentation was both informative and entertaining.

Debbie added a personal touch as one of her grandfathers was in Europe, under the command of General George Patton, and the other fought in the Battle of the Bulge. A female cousin, from Newport News, worked as a machinist at the Naval Shipyard in Portsmouth and personally related some of her experiences as a "Rosie" during the war, and the changes to females in the workforce that took place as a result of their participation in WWII.

Debbie showed us an original WWII picture of "Rosie", that was drawn by Norman Rockwell, which was much different than the Westinghouse poster that is so familiar today.

Before closing, Debbie entertained us with two cute songs, "Rosie the Riveter" and "Milkman, Keep those Bottles Quiet"; a song that Council member, Tom Hassell, remembered his mother singing when he was a child as they had a milkman that rattled the bottles against the cage as he ran across the yard.

Thank you, Debbie Phillips, for a very enjoyable program. 🍷



Guest Speaker, Debbie Phillips, as "Rosie the Riveter" Impersonator.



Navy Talent Acquisition Group – Richmond (NTAG). Attending: CDR Bryant; CDR Henderson; LT Sayers; BMC Williams; Chief Weed. Joining them at their table were Navy League members George Feitig and John Heisler.



Attending from USCGC Northland, left to right: XO LCDR Charles Chavtur; LTJG Liam Roach; CO CDR Brian Gismervik and ENS Davis Daughtry.



Penny Tuthill, Council's liaison with Richmond Country Club, flexes muscles with Debbie Phillips.



New members, Jola West and Rand Beales, received their "Welcome New Member" Certificate and Navy League Pin from Vaughan Dize.



Dr. Wilson Sprenkle and his wife, Claudia, enjoy the social gathering.



Father and son-in-law, Navy League members, Richard Hoffarth and Mike Pantele, enjoy the camaraderie before the luncheon.

THEY SERVE – WE SUPPORT



F-14 Tomcat (1974-2006)



F/A-18F Super Hornet (2006-Present)

The Blacklions Strike Fighter Squadron, a renowned U.S. Navy aviation squadron flying F/A-18F Super Hornets, was established on June 22, 1955. Initially as VF-213, the Blacklions has been an active part of the U.S. Navy's air power for 70 years.

The Blacklions are currently assigned to Carrier Air Wing Group 8 and attached to the Navy's newest carrier, **USS Gerald R Ford (CVN-78)**. They have been deployed for the past ten months.

The Blacklions is one of the Richmond Council's adopted Naval units. We strive to help improve morale and provide a connection to home during long deployments, by sending care packages.

We recently learned that rather than shipping physical care packages to our deployed ships, Amazon will do it for us.

We have developed a "Gift List" for our supported Strike Fighter Squadron, VFA-213 Blacklions, aboard **USS Gerald R. Ford (CVN 78)**.

This works by adding the ship's wish list to a specified Amazon Gift List for the Blacklions. We created a link and QR code that allows access to the "Gift List"

To place an order, follow the instructions below.

Click on the link or scan the QR code:

<https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/quest-view/362IPTXXG181X>



AMAZON GIFT LIST

How to order from an Amazon Wish List and Include a Note:

1. Click on the Amazon Gift List link provided to you.
2. Browse the list and select the item you would like to purchase. (As a suggestion, you might select an item not yet selected, where it shows "0 of 20," so that the whole wish list is covered).
3. Click "Add to Cart."
4. When finished shopping, click on your cart and proceed to Checkout.
5. Make sure the shipping address selected is the VFA-213 Gift List address (it will usually show the recipient's name and city, but not the full address).
6. Under the item in your cart, check the box that says, "This is a gift."
7. Click "Add a gift receipt" (this keeps the price hidden).
8. Select "Add a gift message" and type the note you would like the recipient to receive. Be sure to include your name in the message.
9. Complete your purchase as usual.
10. If you have any difficulties placing an order, contact John Harler: cell # (804) 347-3674 or email: j.harler@verizon.net

You will see the box below appear when you select "Add a gift message". Enter your message in the box and include your name and address, and that you are with the Richmond Navy League.

Gift Message

Example:

Fair winds and following seas! Wishing you all the best and hoping this gift brings you some happiness! (Your name and address if you wish to receive an acknowledgement.)

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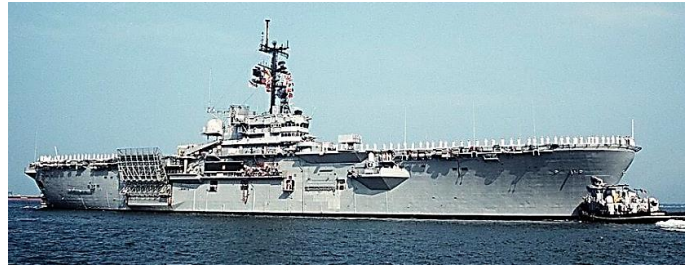


USS *Thor* (ARC-4), USS *Guam* (LPH-9) - - - Where are they now?

By: Mike Eisenman, Richmond Council NLUS



USS *Thor* (ARC-4)



USS *Guam* (LPH-9)

I am Lieutenant Marx “Mike” Eisenman, Jr., USNR (Ret.). NROTC at the University of Pennsylvania and commissioned in May 1971. I served a midshipman summer “cruise” on the **USS *Guam* (LPH-9)** in 1970. **USS *Guam*** was a helicopter carrier that sailed with ~650 sailors and up to 1500 Marines. I was Damage Control Assistant (DCA), Assistant Engineering Officer, and Officer of the Deck (OOD), on **USS *Thor* (ARC-4)**. **USS *Thor*** was a cable laying and repair vessel that sailed with 10 officers, 170 enlisted and during cable operations, up to 25 Western Electric representatives. Following active duty, I served in the reserves until discharged in August 1982. I am a veteran, a member of the Richmond Navy League and active in the community. But what has happened to those massive vessels that served our country and were my duty stations? Where are those majestic projections of our country’s prowess?

USS *Guam* (LPH-9) was an Iwo Jima-class amphibious assault ship commissioned by the United States Navy. She was built at the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard and launched on August 22, 1964, before being commissioned on January 16, 1965. Designed to transport and deploy United States Marine Corps landing forces along with their equipment and supplies, **USS *Guam*** played a pivotal role in the projection of American military power during the Cold War era.

Throughout her distinguished service, **USS *Guam*** was involved in a variety of notable missions and operations. During the Vietnam War, she served as a platform for helicopter-borne assault operations, providing essential support for troop movements and logistics. The ship’s versatility enabled her to serve as a command-and-control center, hospital ship, and even as a platform for vertical envelopment tactics that became a hall-

mark of Marine amphibious doctrine.

Beyond combat missions, **USS *Guam*** was frequently deployed in humanitarian roles and as a show of force in international waters. She participated in rescue operations, peacekeeping missions, and naval exercises with allied nations. In 1980, **USS *Guam*** was the flagship for the joint Navy-Marine Corps task force during the attempted rescue of American hostages in Iran, exemplifying her adaptability and strategic importance. The ship also played a vital role in the evacuation of American citizens from Lebanon during times of crisis, further highlighting her operational flexibility and global reach.

After more than three decades of service, **USS *Guam*** was decommissioned on August 25, 1998. She was eventually sunk as a target during fleet training exercises in 2001. **USS *Guam***’s legacy endures as a testament to the effectiveness and innovation of amphibious warfare ships in the U.S. Navy, remembered for her contributions to both military operations and humanitarian efforts around the world.

USS *Thor* (ARC-4) was a cable repair ship commissioned by the United States Navy, named after the Norse god of thunder, lightning, storms, and strength. Built during the Cold War era, **Thor** was initially laid down as the *Marinette* (YHLC-2), a Maritime Commission hull, and was soon after acquired by the Navy. She was converted into a cable repair ship and re-designated ARC-4 before her commissioning in 1955.

Thor’s primary mission was to lay, maintain, and repair undersea communication cables—vital for secure military communications during a period when global tensions were high. The ship’s operations took her to various parts of the world, including the Atlantic, Pacific, and the Mediterranean. Her advanced

equipment allowed for precision work on the ocean floor, and she became an essential asset in projects such as Operation Ivy Bells, which involved tapping Soviet undersea cables for intelligence purposes. She contributed to the installation and maintenance of the Sound Surveillance System (SOSUS), a network of underwater listening posts designed to detect and track submarines during the Cold War.

In 1973, **USS *Thor*** was transferred to the Military Sea Transportation Service (MSTS), later renamed the Military Sealift Command (MSC), and operated with a civilian crew. Under this new designation, **Thor** continued her vital cable-laying and repair duties, supporting both military and scientific missions.

After decades of service, technological advancements rendered many of **Thor**’s systems obsolete. The ship was decommissioned in the late 1970s and subsequently struck from the Naval Vessel Register. The final chapter in **Thor**’s history came when she was sold for scrap and destroyed, marking the end of a distinguished career that spanned decades. The legacy of **Thor** endures in the vital role she played in undersea communications and Cold War intelligence operations, a testament to the importance of specialized naval vessels in modern warfare. ✍️

Note: If you have a story you would like to share, we’d love to hear from you. Please send your email to: navyleaquerichmond@comcast.net. Documents should be no more than 250 words, pictures identified and submitted in a Word Document.

Why Did Sailors Wear Bell-Bottom Pants?



Bell-bottoms have long been synonymous with sailors in the U.S. Navy. The first authorized Navy wearing bell-bottom denim dungarees in 1901 as an alternative to heavier wool pants. With a few rare exceptions, bell-bottoms remained the official working uniform of enlisted sailors from 1913 through the 1990s. Some changes were made to the uniform over the years, and in the late 20th century, pants with wide, straight legs replaced the flared bottoms, but they were still referred to as “bell-bottoms.” The classic image of the bell-bottom-wearing seaman lives on today — but why did sailors start wearing this style in the first place.

In 1817, the secretary of the U.S. Navy issued regulations stating that sailors washing the decks of the ship should be barefoot and have their pants rolled up. The flared legs of bell-bottom trousers made rolling them up easier compared to pants with narrower legs. But while naval folklore is filled with stories and speculation, there is no definitive answer for why bell-bottoms remained the sailors’ uniform. One theory is that bell-bottom dungarees were a practical choice for the naval environment due to their durability and ease of wearing. The flared legs also provided better mobility, which was essential on a ship with confined spaces and many ladders.

There’s also a widely held belief that bell-bottoms remained popular because of their potential use as a life preserver. For a sailor swept overboard, heavy clothing wasn’t just an inconvenience; it was a dangerous liability. The extra fabric on bell-bottom pants made it easier to catch hold of a sailor who went overboard. There are also stories of sailors being taught in boot camp how to knot the wide pant legs of their bell-bottoms and inflate

them with air, turning them into a flotation device, but there’s no known evidence that the pants were ever used

In 1971, the Navy decided to phase out the traditional uniform worn by enlisted sailors, which included bell-bottom dungarees, in favor of straight trousers worn by officers and chief petty officers. In 1977, the chief of naval operations decided to reverse the previous guidelines and reauthorized the traditional uniform for the four lowest enlisted ranks.

In 1999, the Navy once again began phasing out the bell-bottom dungarees in favor of straight-legged pants, despite sailors’ complaints that the change would result in a loss of their distinctive look. Steeped in nautical nostalgia, bell-bottoms were a symbol of pride, and their flared legs created a unique silhouette that set sailors apart from other branches of the U.S. military. Bell-bottoms may never again be a mandatory item in a sailor’s sea bag, but this iconic piece of clothing will always have a place in naval history.

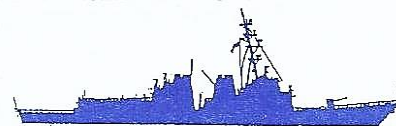
U.S. Navy sailors still wear bell-bottom pants, but primarily for ceremonial and formal occasions rather than daily work.

The iconic 13-button bell-bottom trousers remain part of the enlisted “Cracker Jack” dress uniforms (in both blue and white). We may never know exactly how or why bell-bottom pants became the enduring uniform for sailors, but they remain a tangible link to a bygone seafaring era. ✍

(author Kristina Wright; 8-6-2024; story has been condensed and edited)

ADOPTED SHIPS UPDATE

(these reports may be edited to fit the space available)



USS Gravelly (DDG-107)
CO: CDR Greg Piorun
XO: CDR Gregory Tornambe
CMC: CMDCM LeDezman Johnson

Alan Clemmons, Liaison
Courtney Mustin, Ass’t Liaison

After returning from a four-month deployment, **USS Gravelly** is in the ship-

yard for repairs and upgrades. ✍



USS Carter Hall (LSD-50)
CO: CDR Brittany N. Lynn
XO: CDR Phillip Wise
CMC: CMDCM Chelsea L. Turner

Pat Robson, Liaison

USS Carter Hall has been undergoing a year of restorative work at the BAE shipyard in Norfolk, Va. BAE Systems has been performing a combination of maintenance and preservation work on the ship’s hull, its internal fuel and ballast tanks, and the engineering plant.

USS Carter Hall is 610-foot-long ship, commissioned in September 1995, and is currently the second U.S. Navy ship to bear the name. Carter Hall is designed to carry 420 Sailors and up to 500 Marines. (baesystems.com). ✍



USCGC Northland (WMEC-904)
CO: CDR Brian C. Gismervik
XO: LCDR Charles Chavtur
CSEL: MKC Ethan Stanford

Vaughan Dize, Liaison

USCGC Northland is in a prolonged maintenance period, working on Main Diesel Engine Refurbishment.

CO CDR Brian Gismervik will have Change of Command in June. ✍



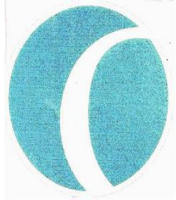
USCGC Spencer (WMEC-905)
CO: CDR Justin Strock
XO: LCDR L.H. (Hank) Deatrich

Thomas T. Hassell, Jr., Liaison
Thomas A. Jennings, Ass’t Liaison

USCGC Spencer has returned to their homeport in Portsmouth, VA following a months-long patrol. ✍

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**Get your clubs out and start practicing for
Richmond Council's 37th Annual Golf Outing
Wednesday, September 16, 2026 at
The Hollows Golf Course
14501 Greenwood church Road
Montpelier, Va 23192
Hope to see you come join us!
(look for more details in upcoming issues of
The Lucky Bag)**



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