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Sullivans Division Newsletter

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NOSC Buffalo

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TO ALL: BE SURE TO PAY ATTENTION TO THE ENTIRE NEWSLETTER, INCLUDING THE “ADDITIONAL INFORMATION” PAGE; YOU WILL FIND UNIFORM INSPECTION INSTRUCTION THERE.

From The Desk Of The CO



To all;

It is inspection time. ALL CADETS are to **BRING** their (Sea Cadet) Dress Blues or (League Cadet) Winter Salt & Peppers to drill on Saturday... ****COMPLETE and SQUARED AWAY ON A HANGER IN A GARMENT BAG; this includes ribbon racks, shoes, covers, etc...EVERYTHING that you wear when you are told to put on your dress uniform.** Further instructions can be found in the additional information section of this newsletter.

Thank you all and see you at drill.

Compliments,

LCDR T. Caughill, USNSCC

CO; The Sullivans Division/Training Ship Little Rock



From The Desk Of The XO



Hello all,

Inspection time! Yes, it is that time of the year where we show who and what we are. The ultimate Unit Award is the JOHN J. BERGEN TROPHY AWARD. This trophy award honors the late John J. Bergen, one of the founders of the USNSCC and a past National President of the Navy League. It is awarded annually to the most outstanding Sea Cadet unit in the nation. Most of the work is already completed. Such things as coursework completed for the unit, cadet advancements, cadet training attended, and all attendance for the year leading up to inspection day calculates our score on inspection day. The final piece is completed when the Regional Director, LCDR Joseph Pawli, comes and inspects what you and your officers look like in their dress blues. Making sure we look as smart and squared away as possible shows LCDR Pawli we care about ourselves, our unit, and the Corps. It also shows we have learned uniform wear and care, a very important aspect of the Sea Cadets. Come prepared; take the time now to look over your dress blues, shine those shoes and belt buckles once more, check the knots on your neckerchief or tie, make sure shirts/blouses and pants/trousers are ironed and creased correctly.

John Quincy Adams said, "If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more, and become more, you are a leader." We talk a lot about creating leaders, not bosses. Bosses tell other people what to do, and where to do it, leaders "inspire" others to get a task done, they help people to see where they fit in, they encourage and find the quality in a person that best fits the team. You cannot find the quality in a person that best fits the team if you only see that person as a tool to get a task accomplished. During drill, take the time to work with one another, find one way to reach out to another cadet and share something with him/her to help them.

For those of you that signed up for winter training make sure you put together your cold weather gear. You'll need a couple of pairs of gloves in particular. There is plenty of indoor, warm classroom training; but we do spend plenty of time outside in the cold weather. Hopefully there will be plenty of good snow to work with in making the quinzhee, and other shelters.

LTJG Richard J. Ryan, USNSCC

XO; The Sullivans Division/Training Ship Little Rock



Point of Importance...Unless you were never issued one, **YOU ALL MUST HAVE YOUR I.D.**

This is not only for entrance to the NOSC, but also for inspection. It is part of your uniform and without it, you are *out of uniform*.

UPCOMING DRILL

February 4,5 2023

***** This is NOT an overnight drill *****

ALL Cadets will need to be dropped off and picked up each day.

****Location: NOSC Buffalo (Naval Reserve Center)**
3 Porter Ave.
Buffalo, NY 14201

Arrival Time 04FEB - Officers 0715
Cadets 0730

Dismissal Time 04FEB - 1545
(immediately following afternoon muster)

****Location: NOSC Buffalo (Naval Reserve Center)**
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Buffalo, NY 14201

**** *New Cadets: Directions on how to enter the NOSC are later in this newsletter.***

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Cadets 0730

Dismissal Time 05FEB - 1545

(immediately following afternoon muster; per NOSC regulations, we CANNOT be late to leave the facility)

****Uniform Of The Weekend:**
Cadets - Wear NWUs or TYPE IIIs.

BRING YOUR DRESS UNIFORM ON A HANGER ON SATURDAY

Officers - Saturday: NWU's or Type IIIs
Sunday: Dress Blues

Be advised: BE SURE TO WEAR A FRESH, CLEAN T-SHIRT WITH YOUR UNIFORM EACH DAY.

*Meals are now **\$5.00** PER MEAL.*

Attendance Deadlines

****CC/ACC's**: Company Attendance due to PO1 PASTWIK by **1600 Wednesday 01FEB23...****

****PO1 PASTWIK**: Division Attendance due to Chief, OPS and OIC's by **1700 Wednesday 01FEB23...****

*Attendance counts are now to be obtained by **PHONE CALLS** only.*

*Get your **PHONE CALLS** done in time to meet the deadlines.*

***PAY ATTENTION TO THE CURRENT PHONE LIST IN THIS NEWSLETTER, as there may be names or phone numbers added or removed since last month.*

*****Be advised: A REASON is required for any absence.*****

Sea Bag List

-Sea Bag

-Canteen & Canteen Belt (Camelbacks approved for PO3 and above)

-Fresh Navy Blue or Brown T-shirt for appropriate NWU/Type III

-Black crew-length socks (at least 1 pair)

-Unit PT Gear

-Plain Black, Navy Blue, or Unit Hoodie/Sweatshirt

-Sneakers

-White crew-length socks (at least 1 pair)

-DEODORANT

-Brush/comb as necessary

-Hair products (hairbands/bobby-pins/hairspray as necessary)

From The Desks Of The OICs

The importance of your military appearance is one of the first things we go over with you when you come into the program, especially once you are fitted for uniforms. You can also find uniform requirements and grooming standards on Homeport (which you can find when you log into Quarterdeck). You are representing the US NAVY by wearing our modified uniforms. It is a PRIVILEGE. It deserves RESPECT.

*******If you are a new cadet that has not yet received uniforms, please wear the following:

Plain Navy Blue T-Shirt, Plain Jeans (**no rips**), belt, black socks, sneakers. If you are officially signed on, be sure to bring PT gear (a plain dark colored or yellow t-shirt , and plain navy blue or black athletic shorts.) You can also bring or wear a *plain* Black or Navy Blue sweatshirt. *******

******If you are a cadet who has completed the appropriate coursework and is ready to test for advancement, **MAKE YOUR REQUEST by sending up a chit.** It is *not* up to officers to ask *you*. Send up a chit in the morning stating that you are ready to test for whatever advancement it is, and an Officer will call you to the office to test at some point during the weekend. YOU need to know your login information to be able to test. If you can't log yourself in, you CANNOT test. It is not the Officer's responsibility to keep track of YOUR login. *If you requested to test last month and did not get the opportunity, which unfortunately does sometimes happen due to time or internet constraints, you DO need to send up another chit. Testing requests are not accepted through e-mail.*

Remember to always bring a notebook (preferably full or mid-size, but pocket sized is acceptable) and pen/pencils to every drill. **And keep them with you unless you are doing PT.**

-LT Fallon
OIC Training Ship Little Rock

Admin Info

Medical: If your Physical Exam is more than a year old, you need a current one on file. Your doctor must fill out the official USNSCC Medical Form that you can print out from "Homeport". Attachments from the Doctor's Office are not accepted. Current physicals are not only needed to attend Boot Camp and Advanced Training, but are necessary to maintain enrollment in the Sea Cadet program itself.

Registration/Renewal: You MUST have a current I.D. to attend training and drills, both locally and elsewhere. NO EXCEPTIONS. The system will automatically drop you from a training if your I.D. lapses. It is imperative that you pay your dues on time, so that you can be renewed as necessary.

****If you haven't already been told, you will be notified at drill if any money or medical forms are due.****

Upcoming Drill Dates

February 4-5, 2023

March 11-12, 2023

April 1-2, 2023

May 6-7, 2023

June 10-11, 2023

July 15-16, 2023

August 5-6, 2023

September 9-10, 2023

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, REMINDERS, AND REQUESTS

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-Dress Uniforms will be left at the NOSC overnight on Saturday. Cadets should arrive at drill on both days in NWU's/Type IIIs and will change into Dress Uniforms when directed for inspection on Sunday.

-Regarding Dress uniforms...COMPLETE and SQUARED AWAY means *not* leaving your cover or shoes at home. Your shoes and belt buckles *best be shined*. Ribbon Racks and Nametags affixed. Belts, Ties and/or Neckerchiefs as required. Clean, NOT STRETCHED OUT white t-shirts are part of your uniform so they should be on your hanger as well. ALL UNIFORMS should be pressed(ironed) and creased as required.

-February IS NOT an overnight drill.

-Even though February is not an overnight, BRING DEODORANT. You should still have it to put on when changing back into your uniform after PT/PRT.

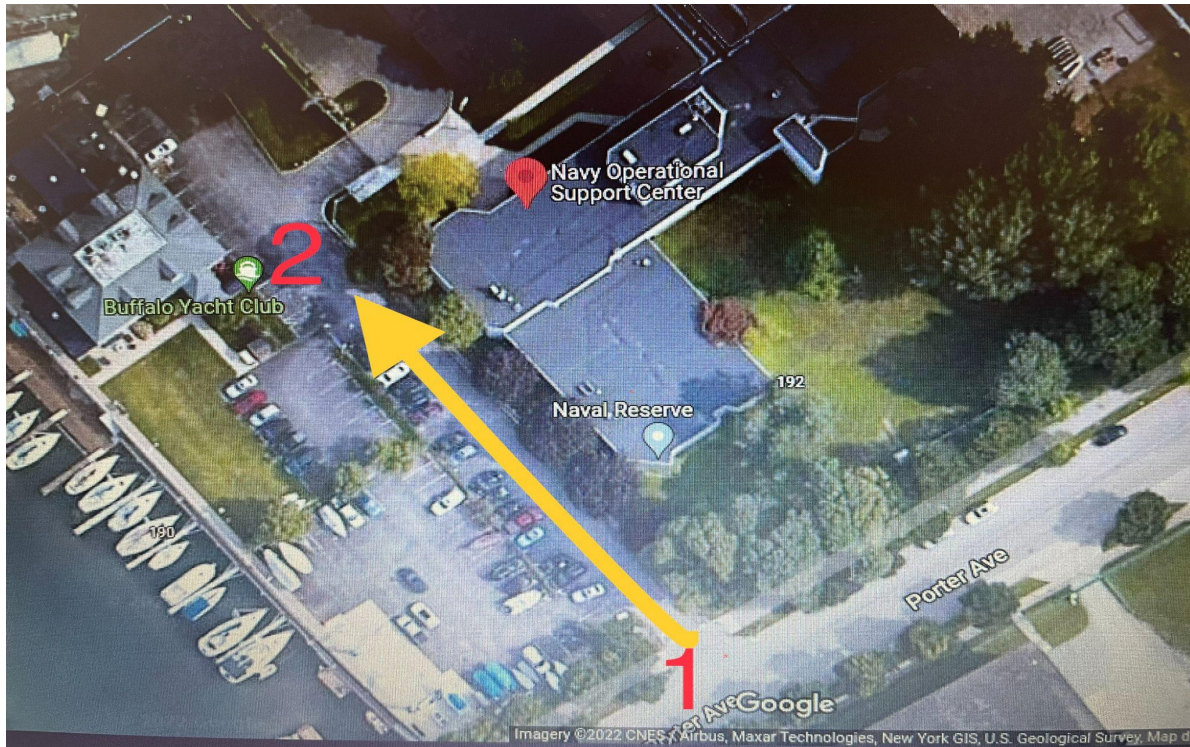
-**NOW EFFECTIVE**, any cadet below the rank of Petty Officer MUST have a Canteen and Canteen Belt; Military style, not Scout style. IT IS CONSIDERED PART OF YOUR UNIFORM. If you are a Petty Officer of any level, you are allowed to wear a Camelback if you prefer, but it needs to be plain black, (coyote brown is fine for Type III's) or the appropriate print to match your uniform type. If you are a Petty Officer and do not use a Camelback, you must have a canteen.

-The switch to Dress Blues and Winter Salt & Peppers has taken effect.

-Reminder: EVERY email that includes an officer as a recipient, MUST include a second officer. This is not just a unit regulation, it is a full program regulation set forth by National Headquarters. Please note: even though it's "in the name", a Petty Officer does **NOT** count as an Officer; the regulation is in regards to ADULT Officers. If you are unsure of how to "copy/cc" someone to an email, ask someone for help. It is imperative that this regulation be followed. Please use "**cc**", **NOT** "**bcc**". If you send an email to a fellow cadet and copy an officer on it for some reason, you then have to copy ANOTHER officer on it.

-For new cadets (and anyone else not sure)... **REMEMBER:** if you need to ask a question, make a request, share information, etc with an adult officer, you **NEED TO GO THROUGH YOUR CHAIN OF COMMAND**. That being said, any Cadet who is not in a leadership position should be calling or emailing their ACC (or CC if your company does not have an ACC) to begin the chain. **You do not contact senior leadership directly**, especially the CO and XO. Currently, the CC for League Cadets is LCPO3 Boutakhoust (there is no ACC for Leaguers at this time). The ACC for RTC is SN Stoddard. Those cadets will continue the chain until it reaches the appropriate recipient and the issue will be resolved as necessary. Additionally, ACC's, CC's, LPO: you need to be checking your cadet email **daily**; you are in leadership positions and if your cadets are reaching out to senior leadership, YOU need to make sure it gets passed up.

-NOSC: *Information for parents...* Below you will find a quick explanation of drop-off options for the NOSC; this is more for cadets that have not yet attended a drill at the NOSC, but is a good reminder for others. Additionally, if you are an experienced cadet who arrives and notices a new cadet looking unsure or nervous of where to go, please help guide them.



-Cadets can get dropped off at “1” and walk up the driveway to be let in at security, or be dropped off at “2” and be let in by security right there, but it is difficult for parents to turn their car around to leave out the same way. When you get to security to be let in, **YOU WILL NEED YOUR I.D.** If you are new and haven’t received it yet, let them know. You can also ask them where the door is to enter the building. Any new parents that need to come in to turn in or sign paperwork, you will need to park on the street and walk up the driveway to security as well. ***I.D. is required.***

DIVISION PHONE LIST

Please pay attention to the division phone list below; Check your contact phone number. Is it correct?? Check your rank. Check what company you’re listed under. Is it correct?? If it hasn’t been changed to reflect an advancement, make it known. **You earned it, so be proud of it.**

Contact **LT Fallon** at fallon.usnsc@gmail.com if corrections need to be made.