



*United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps*



## Sullivans Division Newsletter

“We Stick Together”

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January 2024  
Buffalo NOSC

CO: LCDR Todd Caughill  
XO: LTJG Richard Ryan

**TO ALL:** BE SURE TO PAY ATTENTION TO THE *ENTIRE* NEWSLETTER AND  
\*\*PHONE LIST...especially who to contact for attendance.

### *From The Desk Of The CO*



The winter training approval has been delayed by the HQ training group and North East Area Commander. This will greatly reduce our ability to prepare for the traing financially.

If you have been approved by me already, you will need to bring the payment of \$150.00 to the January drill with the "money order" made out payed to the order of "USNSCC". I will pull all cadets and officers into the training that are on the list of approvals. I will also send out an email when the training is approved. A seabag list will be sent out soon so you can get items needed for the training.

**LCDR Todd A. Caughill**  
**Commanding Officer, USNSCC/USNLCC**  
**The Sullivans Div / Training Ship Little Rock**



# ***From The Desk Of The XO***



Happy New Year!! Well almost. I am sitting here on New Years Eve thinking about the upcoming 2024. This is the time of year to plan. What are you planning? Some people plan on exercise routines. Some people plan careers, while some think about their education. A successful navigator will tell you no sailing goes well without a route planned out. So again I ask, what are you planning? You have advancements you can plan out, trainings you need to think about. Do you need to staff a training? If so, what training are you going to staff, and where do you want to go? Maybe you are a few hours shy of a community service ribbon, or how many color guards do you need for a ribbon? Are you consistently passing the PRT or are you always on the bubble? What do you need to do to improve your chances of passing the first time out?

Its fun to think we can just go through life “winging it,” or life just happens, but the truth is, those people who are successful leaders, plan. You may have heard the saying its never to early to plan; a truer statement has never been uttered.

For this 2024, plan one or two things out. It can be something in school, or cadets, or even around your home, but plan a couple of things out for this year.

Have a safe, Happy, and healthy New Year.

Very Respectfully, Respectfully, Compliments,  
**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.

It is part of your uniform and without it, you are *out of uniform*.

\*\*\*All ribbons, ribbon racks and rate flashes/tabs are taken care of by the Awards and Ribbons Officer. Questions and requests should be sent up on a chit. These matters cannot be handled between drills.

Also, if you have ribbons but never received a ribbon **bar**, send up a chit requesting one; be specific as to what size you need.

For example, if you have 3 ribbons and no bar, you need to request a "3-ribbon bar". If you have a bar that does not hold all of your ribbons and you need a *larger* one, you need to send up a chit with your old one attached to it and write your request for the size you need.

Chits will not be accepted if they are not legible or if they do not have a name and rank on them.

# UPCOMING DRILL

January 6,7 2024

**\*\*\* This IS NOT an overnight drill \*\*\***

**\*\*Location: Buffalo NOSC - Saturday**

**Buffalo NOSC - Sunday**

**Arrival Time, 06JAN - Officers 0715  
Cadets 0730**

**Dismissal Time 06JAN- 1545**

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**Arrival Time, 07JAN - Officers 0715  
Cadets 0730**

**Dismissal Time, 07JAN- 1545**

***(immediately following afternoon muster; we need to leave the NOSC quickly)***

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**\*\* *Uniform Of The Weekend:***

**Cadets - TYPE III's or NWUs**

**Officers - TYPE III's or NWUs**

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

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

# Attendance Deadlines

**(Note WHO to report to...)**

**\*\*CC/ACC's:** Company Attendance due to LPO, PO2 MOULDS by **1600 WEDNESDAY**  
**03JAN24...\*\***

**\*\*PO2 MOULDS:** Division Attendance due to CPO PARISH by **1630 WEDNESDAY**  
**03JAN24...\*\***

**\*\*CPO PARISH:** Division Attendance due to OIC's/OPS by **1700 WEDNESDAY**  
**03JAN24...\*\***

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

*Get them 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 and changes to the chain of command.**

**\*\*Be advised: A REQUEST and REASON are REQUIRED for ANY absence, late arrival, or early dismissal.\*\***

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## Sea Bag List

- **Be advised, THIS is the seabag list for a non-overnight weekend**

-Sea Bag

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

-2nd set of NWU/Type IIIs (if able)

-Fresh Navy Blue or Brown T-shirt for appropriate NWU/Type III (Blue with NWU, Brown with Type III's)

-Black crew-length socks **AND** White crew-length socks (at least 2 pair of **EACH**)

-Unit PT Gear, if you are new and have not received a set yet, you will need to wear a PLAIN yellow OR Navy Blue t-shirt and Navy Blue or Black shorts... **(shorts should fit loosely & appropriately and be at least knee length or slightly above.)**

-Sneakers

**-DEODORANT**

-Brush/comb and hair products as necessary, (hairbands/bobby-pins/hairspray as necessary)

# From The Desk Of The OICs

## **LTC**

Happy New Year! Let's all start the new year with our best "boot" forward. That means all Boots and Shoes shined, uniforms pressed and worn within USNSCC regulation. All cadets are to sign in to Quarter Deck and work on Course work. This is required to advance in the program and for our Unit Inspection. Continue to make sure your Dress Uniforms are in order. Make sure uniforms are the right size, cleaned/pressed. Locate belts, black socks and ties and keep them together. **All LTC cadets are to BRING THEIR DIXIE COVER to drill on SATURDAY for an inspection.**

Directed by,  
LTJG Stephen J. Lawson, NSCC  
OIC LTC 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.

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## Upcoming Drill Dates

January 6/7, 2024

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February 3/4, 2024

March 2/3, 2024

April 13/14, 2024

May 4-5, 2024

June 1-2, 2024

July 13-14, 2024

August 3-4, 2024

September 7-8, 2024

## Additional Important Dates

### **Winter Survival Training (Genesee County Park)**

\*Sea Cadets Only

*Arrival 1800, Friday 16FEB24*

*Dismissal 1200, Tuesday 20FEB24*

### **Buffalo Summer Training (Buffalo Naval Park)**

**\*\*All Staff Reports 26JUL24\*\***

*RT & MAA.....27JUL24 - 04AUG24*

*League Orientation & POLA.....28JUL24 - 03AUG24*

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, REMINDERS, AND REQUESTS**

-January is **NOT** an overnight drill.

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

-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".

-When you are sending an email to an officer, be sure to acknowledge WHO the email is directed at. Since you are required to include a second officer on emails, you need to make sure that the recipients are aware of who the email is actually directed at. Beginning an email without specifying who it is directed at is confusing to the recipients as well as disrespectful.

-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 ACC for League Cadets is LC3 Buenafe. The CC for RTC is PO2 Pawli. The CC for ATC is PO2 Milewski. 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, CPO: 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.



