



United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps



Sullivans Division Newsletter

“We Stick Together”

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February 2024
Buffalo NOSC

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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



Inspection is in March. Be ready. This is the last month to get squared away with uniform pieces. Bring ribbon bars on Sunday for one last check.

See you at drill.

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



From The Desk Of The XO



Good morning, all. We are standing at the precipice of our 2023 inspection. Most of the work has been completed already throughout the year. We have been told that our inspection will be in March so February is the last drill you have to ask questions and prepare for the inspection in March.

Learning something new can be hard, and it can be frustrating. Just when you think you have it down and you are ready to move on, you are reminded in some way that you don't have it quite right. It happens to all of us no matter the rank or age. I have been learning to play golf, a game I never played as a kid. I have been practicing my swing every chance I get, I finally thought I had it down and was ready to practice something new. That is until the last time I was on the course and sent my ball deep into the woods several times. I learned quickly I need to keep trying and keep practicing, or give up and find something else to play.

I spoke with a young cadet last drill that was very frustrated he was not getting all that is expected from him. He really thought he knew it but the Petty Officers keep yelling at him because they say he doesn't know it. He thought he should probably quit. Two things come to mind here, the first I told him to keep trying and push forward. Nothing worthwhile comes easy, but with lots of practice and determination. The second thing that comes to mind is the support of the people around him, or me. Without the guys around me who continue to show me how to swing, line up, and follow through in a supportive manner I would have quit. They support and help me improve. We need to do that around here as well. Beginners are frustrating and some learn at different speeds and abilities. If you're in a teaching position, try to be patient with the younger cadet or newer cadet, they may not be difficult, they might just be having a difficult time learning.

One last word. We talk about building men and women leaders around here. To me and most of the world, leaders are people we can trust. Your word and integrity are the most important quality you have, and it is the biggest ingredient of a good leader. Work on being the most honest, straight shooter in your group. If people can trust you and your word they will listen and follow you because they know you will not mislead them.

See you at drill.

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

February 3,4 2024

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

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

Buffalo NOSC - Sunday

**Arrival Time, 03FEB - Officers 0715
Cadets 0730**

Dismissal Time 03FEB- 1545

**Arrival Time, 04FEB - Officers 0715
Cadets 0730**

Dismissal Time, 04FEB- 1545

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

**** *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 TUESDAY**
30JAN24... **

****PO2 MOULDS:** Division Attendance due to CPO PARISH by **1630 TUESDAY 30JAN24... ****

****CPO PARISH:** Division Attendance due to OIC's/OPS by **1700 TUESDAY**
30JAN24... **

*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. ****

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)

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.

Upcoming Drill Dates

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

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

-ANNUAL INSPECTION IS NEXT MONTH!

-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.

-*****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 as well (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 and sweatpants that fits appropriately.***

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.usnscc@gmail.com if corrections need to be made.

Sullivans Division	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	PARTICIPANT PHONE
Commanding Officer	LCDR	Caughill	Todd	tcaughill.usnscc@gmail.com
Executive Officer	LTJG	Ryan	Richard	rryan.usnscc@gmail.com
Financial Officer	LT	Foeller	Amy	afoeller.usnscc@gmail.com
OIC RTC	LCDR	Fronk	Lewis	lfronk.usnscc@gmail.com
Administrative Officer	LCDR	Pawli	Melanie	mdpawli.sullivans@gmail.com
Supply		Stoddard	Jennifer	
Galley		Campbell	Mischelle	
Medical		Jacob	Minakshi	
Training Ship Little Rock	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	PARTICIPANT PHONE
Admin	Auxiliary	Anthony	Colleen	canthony.usnscc@gmail.com
Operations Officer	LTJG	Caughill	Ryan	rcaughillusnscc@gmail.com
Awards & Ribbons	LT	Fallon	Misty	fallon.usnscc@gmail.com
OIC LTC	LTJG	Lawson	Stephen	slawson.usnscc@gmail.com