

#### United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps

# **Sullivans Division Newsletter**



"We Stick Together" http://thesullivansusnscc.org

March 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



#### Inspection!

Our headquarters inspection will be late in the morning or early afternoon on Saturday. Make sure your uniform is all set and shoes shiny. Attendance is important for the weekend so let's show up and ready to go.

Our Winter Survival Training was a great success even though we were behind in being approved. Thank you to the cadets, staff cadets and officers for jumping through the hoops to get the training ready and then performing as well as you did.

We have the meat raffle coming up quickly and we need help. It takes money to make money they say and this is no different. We are already into the process and planning for our first real fund-raising event in years. It takes money to run the Division and it is getting more expensive every day. We need you to get

out the word, parent support, donations for the basket raffle, officer and cadet participation. We will have something for everyone to do. We can not afford to not have a great event so let's get this right.

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



Inspection time! The regional director LCDR Steve Adams will be aboard this Saturday 02 MAR 24 for our annual inspection. Please remember to wear your dress blues to drill on Saturday, unless you left it at the reserve center last month. You should have your dress blues squared away by now and ready to inspect, this includes your shoes shined. Please make sure your hair is cut within regs as well, and gentlemen a clean shave that morning.

The winter survival training last week was a great success, even though we did not have any snow. Several of your shipmates will be promoting this month because of the opportunity to attend a local advanced training. As long as headquarters allows us to offer this training we will continue to put on and improve upon our winter survival training.

Finally, the meat raffle. I'm sure you know we are hosting a meat raffle. If you do not know you are not reading your emails. We need everyone's help to make this a giant success. This includes cadets, officers, and parents. I sent out an email the other night, and only received three responses that they received and read that email. This is still the same ongoing communication problem we have been talking about for months. We need you to read what we send and respond that you received, read and understand the communique. We need baskets, and other donated items to auction at this meat raffle. We also need parent

volunteers to help the day of the event. We also most importantly need tickets to be sold for this event. Please go to the shop on our website to purchase tickets.

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See you all this weekend at drill

Very Respectfully, Respectfully, Compliments, LTJG Richard J. Ryan, USNSCC XO; The Sullivans Division/Training Ship Little Rock



# From The Desk Of The Ops Officer



#### Greetings all,

I want to say a hearty BZ to those who just completed Winter Survival Training. I believe it to be the most successful year we have had since the introduction of the new curriculum in 2022! I believe we spent the most time outside than we have in the past few years!

For Summer Training, we unfortunately will NOT be offering Mass Communications in 2024, but will be in 2025. Unforeseen planning challenges from NHQ will prevent it from occurring now. No worries! Only time to get better. We will also be asking cadets to review the finalized version of RT for enhancements and suggestions for this drill.

Back at the unit, I am excited to announce the commissioning of a NEW division within the unit, "O" Division, or Orientation Division. Sea Cadet Recruits who have yet to complete the Recruit Orientation program will be transferred to this division until completion of RO is finalized, where they'll then be transferred to RTC. I want to spotlight and congratulate LCDR Fronk who will serve as the Division Officer (DIVO) for "O" Division, in addition to RTC, and PO3 Wadman on her transfer from LTC to RDC of "O" Division. This will all take getting used to for those of us who have been around.

Finally, we are looking for people to SHOW UP, STEP UP, OWN IT, BE WILLING, FACE FAILURE, TALK STRAIGHT and FOLLOW UP. We will be losing many long time cadets and senior leadership this summer. There is a major gap in length of service with our next generation. Are you READY for the challenge? I spoke with many of you at WST, and trust me when I say, it's coming. WE NEED YOU!

I'm looking forward to seeing you all in March!

Very Respectfully, Respectfully, Compliments, LTJG Ryan Caughill, USNSCC OPS; 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**March 2,3 2024

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

\*\*Location: Buffalo NOSC - Saturday

**Buffalo NOSC - Sunday** 

<u>Arrival Time</u>, <u>02MAR</u> - Officers 0715 Cadets 0730

Dismissal Time 02MAR - 1545

<u>Arrival Time</u>, <u>03MAR</u> - Officers 0715 Cadets 0730

Dismissal Time, 03MAR - 1545

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

\*\* Uniform Of The Weekend:

Cadets - SAT Dress Blues/NWU's Type I or III
SUN NWU's Type I or III
Officers - SAT Dress Blues/NWU Type I or III
SUN NWU's Type I or III

<u>Be advised</u>: 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, <u>PO2 MOULDS</u> by 1600 TUESDAY 27FEB24...\*\*

\*\*PO2 MOULDS: Division Attendance due to CPO PARISH by 1630 TUESDAY 27FEB24...\*\*

\*\*CPO PARISH: Division Attendance due to OIC's/OPS by 1700 TUESDAY 27FEB24...\*\*

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.

\*\*<u>Be advised:</u> 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)

### **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**

March 2/3, 2024 (Inspection)

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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**

#### The Sullivans Meat Raffle

\*\* All Staff and Cadets Report 1800 \*\*

Saturday April 6, 2024

The American Legion 3354 Delaware Ave. Kenmore, NY 14217

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

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

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

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

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, REMINDERS, AND REQUESTS

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

#### -ANNUAL INSPECTION IS THIS 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