

## United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps

# **Sullivans Division Newsletter**



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November 2024 NOSC CO: LCDR Todd Caughill XO: LTJG Richard Ryan

# **SECURITY ALERT**

Due to recent changes in the Department of Defense Force Protection Conditions (FPCON), there are important updates regarding base access and uniform protocols:

- Arrival and Departure in Civilian Clothes:
   All Sea Cadet personnel are required to arrive and depart the NRC in civilian clothes. Uniforms should not be worn while entering or leaving the base.
- 2. Visitor Access Suspended:
  Parent/guardian visitor access is
  temporarily suspended. Only Sea Cadet
  personnel with a current Sea Cadet ID
  card will be allowed on base until further
  notice.

Please plan accordingly and follow these new procedures for the safety and security of everyone.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

# From The CO's Desk



Sunday is the end of daylight savings. Clocks get set back 1 hour Saturday night. We don't need anyone arriving an hour early Sunday morning.



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

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# From The XO's Desk



November drill is a busy drill. You need to remember to bring in your blues, and a chit for whatever size changes you need. We also need your baskets for the holiday basket raffle brought in at the November drill. If you are buying tickets with cash, we need the monies brought in at this drill as well.

Keep an eye on your emails, get ready for the holiday party, and see you at drill.

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

# From The OP's Desk

Hello and Happy November! Wow, the weeks are FLYING by. Just yesterday it was New Years 2024, and here we are at the doorstep of 2025.

I want to start off by addressing something that has been going around for a few months now. Yes, earlier this Summer I did accept a job that would've taken me out of Buffalo, and down to Arlington, VA. In fact, I was debating between that and another opportunity that would've taken me to Hershey, PA. Life is a summary of our choices. The choice to get out of bed at the first alarm, the choice to join Sea Cadets, the choice to go right instead of left. In this case, it was a choice between two great opportunities, both of which were made that much harder by my dedication to you and this unit. In the end, I made my choice... and it didn't pan out the way I had hoped. Oh well. Life is about choices. Besides imparting that quick lesson on you,

NO, I am not currently leaving at this point in time. Should that change, you'll be the first to know.

This Sunday, we begin the first of our Critical Infrastructure tours for Winter 2024-25, with a visit to the Amherst Central Office of Verizon. Thank you to the XO for arranging this visit for us! Please be ready for an exciting and engaging drill weekend!

Did you know officers have their own trainings too? LCDR Caughil, LTJG Ryan, LTJG Lawson, and myself recently traveled to Rochester for Officer Professional Development (OPD) 301. This is a required course for promotion to LT, and to be an XO and CO. We joined fellow officers from Rochester CA-124 Division, the Training Group Director - LCDR Gilliland, the Senior Regional Director - LCDR Adams, the outgoing Area Commander - CAPT Kent, USN (Ret.), and the incoming Area Commander - CAPT Young, USCG (Ret.). This was an informative class, and our three LTJGs are now all promotable to full LT! BZ to those who took the course!

I returned to Rochester the following weekend to attend the drill of Rochester CA-124 Division, and present on the **NextGen Ready Program**, finding a consensus amongst their officer staff to move ahead with its implementation! Once I gain final approval from the unit here, we will be ready to present the program in full, to you all!

Remember to check the Winter Uniform Shift Guidance that was emailed out to you all in October.

Temperatures are dropping and we will still be outdoors during drill! You must have all required uniform pieces before you add optional ones!

Finally, please come to drill with the answer to this question - How many hold the title of "General of the Armies", and what are their names?

Let's finish this year STRONG, and ensure 2025 is a successful one!

"Everyone has his superstitions. One of mine has always been when I started to go anywhere, or to do anything, never to turn back or to stop until the thing intended was accomplished." - Ulysses S. Grant, 18th President of the United States.

V/R, LTJG Ryan Caughill, USNSCC *Ops Officer; Sullivans Div. / T. Ship Little Rock* 

# From The OIC's Desk

LTC: \*ALERT\* Read the whole newsletter as it contains a lot of information that is very important for Drill and other special events in the near future. \*\*A CHANGE TO THE NLCC LTC WINTER DRESS UNIFORM. All LTC Cadets are required to purchase a long sleeve black button down dress shirt. This can be purchased at Walmart/ Amazon etc. The black dress shirt is replacing the long sleeve white dress shirt some of you have worn in the past. All LTC Cadets need to purchase the black shirt by November Drill and have it with them at Saturday's Drill. The black tie will still be worn with this shirt. All LTC Cadets will need to log into Quarter Deck and under Homeport look up the Uniform manual for directives on NLCC shoulder Flash placement and Rank Placement if it applies to you. Black Shirt and black pants all need to be pressed and shoes shined. Black belts. Black dress socks and Dixie Covers cleaned and ready. Name tag and ribbon bars ready to be placed on your uniform.

We will be conducting a Uniform hanger inspection on Saturday of our November Drill. Be prepared. Any questions make sure to use your chain of command.

-LTJG S. Lawson

OIC of LTC

Sullivans Division/Training Ship Little Rock

#### RTC:

Everyone's uniforms are to be squared away, especially boots, Gnkpvgp Fcg ku jgtq! Xqvg hqt aqwu hcvkpg vqnfqvg, after the Acorn Run.

Bring in your *entire* Dress Blues Uniform, (yes that includes shoes, covers, nametags and ribbon racks), for inspection or exchanges.

**-LCDR Fronk** 

OIC of RO/RTC Sullivans Division



**EVER WONDER HOW WE DID IT?** 

November Drill is NOT an overnight drill.

There will be 2

**MEALS** provided at

November drill.

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

Additionally, Cadets are required to have a canteen for hydration. It is part of your uniform. If you do not have one, you will be REQUIRED to purchase a bottle of water from the unit for \$2.00. You will use it for the entire weekend, refilling it as needed. If you lose it or throw it out, you will be required to purchase another one.

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\*\*<u>Location:</u> Naval Reserve Center
Porter Ave. Buffalo, NY
- Saturday & Sunday

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**Arrival Time:** Saturday 02NOV24

Officers: 0715 Cadets: 0730

**Dismissal Time:** Saturday 02NOV24

Officers: 1545

(immediately following afternoon muster)

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Officers: 0715 Cadets: 0730

<u>Dismissal Time:</u> Saturday 03NOV24

Officers: 1545

(immediately following afternoon muster)

# **UPCOMING DRILL**Nov. 2-3, 2024

\*\*November <u>/S</u> <u>NOT</u> an overnight drill \*\*

# \*\* Uniforms Of The Weekend For All:

**Both Days: Type III** (Type 1 only if you were not issued Type III)

\*\* YOU ARE TO ARRIVE AND DEPART IN CIVILIAN CLOTHING. BRING UNIFORMS.

<u>Be advised</u>: BE SURE TO WEAR THE CORRECT COLORED, FRESH, CLEAN T-SHIRT WITH YOUR UNIFORM EACH DAY.

## \*\*IMPORTANT\*\*

A parent MUST be seen by an officer at the gate/fence of the NOSC to pick their cadet up.

\*\*If anyone other than a parent/legal guardian is picking a cadet up, a note will need to be turned in with the persons name and relationship to the cadet, signed by the parent/legal guardian. The person will need to show I.D.

This is necessary for safety and

\*\*This requirement is for regular dismissal *and* if a cadet needs to be released early.

liability.

# Attendance Deadlines (Note WHO to report to...)

\*\*CC/ACC's: Company Attendance due to LPO, PO2 K. WADMAN by 1600
WEDNESDAY
300CT24...\*\*

\*\*PO2 K. WADMAN: Division Attendance due to <u>CPO PARISH</u> by 1630 WEDNESDAY 300CT24...\*\*

\*\*CPO PARISH: Division Attendance due to OIC's/OPS by 1700 WEDNESDAY 300CT24...\*\*

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.\*\*

# Sea Bag List

# -SEE DIRECTIVES REGARDING ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE FROM THE NOSC.

- -Sea Bag
- -Type III Blouse and Trousers (Type 1 ONLY if not issued Type III's) with nametapes & insignia
- -Fresh, Clean Correct Colored T-shirt for Uniform Type
- -Appropriate Cover for Uniform Type
- -Black crew-length socks (at least 2 pair)

- -Black, Shined Uniform Boots
- -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
- -White crew-length socks (at least 2 pair)
- -Undergarments (at least 1)

### -DEODORANT

- -Brush/comb as necessary
- -Hair products (hairbands/bobby-pins/hairspray as necessary)
- -Canteen/Canteen Belt (Camelbacks approved for PO3 and above)
- -\*\*Optional...Sweatpants/Sweatshirt for outside PT.

# I WANT A RESTRAINING ORDER ON EVERYONE WHO DOESN'T WEAR DEODORANT

# **Upcoming Drill Dates**

November 2-3, 2024 Location: Naval Reserve Center

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December 7-8, 2024 (Banquet: 7th)

January 11-12, 2025

February 1-2, 2025

March 1-2, 2025

April 5-6, 2025

May 3-4, 2025

June 7-8, 2025

July 12-13, 2025

August 2-3, 2025

September 6-7, 2025

ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION
REMINDERS, AND
REQUESTS

# -November *is not* an overnight drill.

-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 CC for League Cadets is LCPO3 N. Wadman. The ACC for RTC is SR Rivas-Contreras. The CC for RTC is SN Eiser. The CC for ATC & LPO is PO2 K. Wadman. 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.\*\*\*

# Ask "The I.T. Guy"

If any cadets or officers have questions regarding technology and its uses, or interesting information you'd like the "I.T. Guy" to verify and share, send an email to me, Instructor Kelly (cc: LT Fallon).

The <u>deadline</u> for questions to be answered or info to be shared in December's newsletter is **November** 22nd.

Regards, INST Kelly

# Supply / Logistics

Cadets,

You need to try on your dress blues BEFORE November Drill and make a note for yourself to remember to send up a chit for any pieces you need to exchange or if you were never issued a piece.

Regards, INST Stoddard

# <u>Medical</u>

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 Recruit and Advanced Training, but are necessary to maintain enrollment in the Sea Cadet program itself.

If you are unable to upload the form yourself, BRING IT TO DRILL and we will upload it for you. It is imperative that your information is correct and updated to be able to continue your enrollment in Sea Cadets.

Regards, INST Jacob

# **Culinary**

Our travels have bring us to New York monthly...and Team Campbell has learned there is a bottle return fee charged with the purchase of bottled water and other assorted beverages! Replace each letter in the ciphered message with the letter that comes two places before it in the alphabet. This is something that doesn't happen in Ohio. We have also learned a recycling refund is given upon the return of those same bottles!

Team Campbell has asked our Ohio friends to lend a helping hand by saving their recyclable bottles for us. We are bringing the collected bottles to New York for recycling. September was our biggest month so far. The picture to the right shows how many bottles it takes to collect nearly \$50. The \$50 was used toward the Galley purchases last month.

If we have any families out there that can't seem to find the time and energy to run to a recycle station, feel free to have your cadet bring me your bottles. I will make sure we get those bottles to the recycle station and in turn, put the money earned toward our galley purchases.

Thank you to all for your efforts and consideration of my little fund-raising project!

Regards, INST Campbell



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REMEMBER:
YOUR UNIFORMS ARE
NOT HALLOWEEN
COSTUMES.

# **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 Divi	sion	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
		Auxiliary	Caughill	Alycia	
		Auxiliary	Kelly	Dalton	dkelly.usnscc@gmail.com
Training Ship Litt	le Rock	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	PARTICIPANT PHONE
		INST		2 11	
	Admin		Anthony	Colleen	canthony.usnscc@gmail.com
•	Operations Officer		Caughill	Ryan	rcaughillusnscc@gmail.com
Awards & Rib	Awards & Ribbons		Fallon	Misty	fallon.usnscc@gmail.com
OIC LTC	OIC LTC		Lawson	Stephen	slawson.usnscc@gmail.com
Medical	Medical		Jacob	Minakshi	minakshijacob@yahoo.com
Galley		Auxiliary	Campbell	Mischelle	macampbell.usnscc@gmail.com
Supply		INST	Stoddard	Jennifer	jstodd4@gmail.com
RANK/BILLET	LA	ST NAME	FIRST NAME	CADET CELL	HOME NUMBER
СРО		PARISH	MAGDALENA		
LPO, PO2	W	/ADMAN	KAITLYN		
RTC					
Recruit, RTC/CC	Recruit, RTC/CC EISE		COLTON		
Recruit, RTC/ACC RIVAS-CONTRERAS		-CONTRERAS	CAMILO		
Recruit	P	ABRAMS	JAMES		
Recruit AGUILA		GUILAR	JOSEPH		
Recruit	BLA	ACKSTONE	RUTH		
Recruit	BOU	ITAKHOUST	LAMYA		

Recruit	BUENAFE	JOSEPH	
Recruit	EASTMAN	LEVI	
Recruit	GETER	TERRANCE	
PO3	HODKIN	BRENDON	
PO3	ROBINSON	NOAH	
Recruit	RUBINAS	MICHELLE	
Recruit	SCHAFFER	GRACE	
Recruit	SEREHALI	YUSEF	
Recruit	SISSON	JACK	
Recruit	STEIN	ALYSON	
Recruit	STODDARD	ZACHARY	
ATC			
CPO, Ops	CAMPBELL	MAXWELL	
PO2	PAWLI	CLARICE	

LEAGUE CADET PHONE LIST								
RANK/BILLET	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	CADET CELL	HOME NUMBER				
LC2, LTC/ <b>CC</b>	WADMAN	NICHOLAS						
LC1	BLACKSTONE	JAMES						
LC1	CANCELLIERI	REES						
LC1	JACOB	ZION						
LCPO3	KING	MASON						
LC1	PARKHURST	BROOKLYN						
LC1	SAQIB	ANAIAH						
LC1	SELL	JOSEPH						