

News Clip

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Navy League

of the United States

Palm Beach Council

Citizens in Support of the Sea Services

Your Palm Beach Council's Far Reach

Here's a great Navy League - Palm Beach Council and council family story.

Background: Each year in December the Palm Beach Council provides \$400 cash **Ullman Scholar Awards** to the top Middle School and High School student exhibitors at the Palm Beach County Science & Engineering Fair. These awards have been totally funded by the Ullman family, in honor and memory of the late **CDR Keith Ullman, former Palm Beach Council President and active youth instructor and mentor.**

Jun 2 UPDATE: See Page 3 for Report of Kristen's arrival in Washington, DC



In May of 2019 Keith and Debbie's daughter Kristen is cycling across the country, and she would like to encourage people to show support of her trip by asking them to donate to the Ullman Scholar Fund. A note to this effect and a link to our Palm Beach Council website donation portal has been spread thru Kristen's social media accounts (and is included below).

Kristen has a most impressive resume. She is a 2007 Naval Academy grad (Aero Engineering) and former U.S. Navy helicopter pilot. Kristen was assigned to FRS San Diego, and then was stationed in Guam where she flew Search and Rescue, Vertical Replenishment and Fire Fighting missions. She deployed several times in the Pacific to serve the needs of the fleet. Kristen then served as an NROTC instructor at Villanova University and completed her Masters degree in Mechanical Engineering. She also became a pilot instructor for small planes and has been training students through today. After Villanova, Kristen was transferred to Okinawa and then back to San Diego. Kristen recently detached from active duty as a LT and

will be flying airlines for SkyWest as of July; she will continue her naval service as a reservist.



As if the previous activities weren't enough, Kristen has been competing in Triathlons and recently competed in an Ironman competition in New Zealand. She then spent 6 weeks traveling through New Zealand and Asia, including hiking up to and around Mount Everest base camp (over 15,000

feet high) . She is taking 6-8 weeks to bike cross country from San Diego to Washington DC. Currently Kristen has completed about 1/3 of the trip, biking over 1300 miles and climbing over 90,000 feet; as of this writing she is toughing it out through major rainstorms in Kansas.

Want to donate to support Kristen? - all donations will go to the **Palm Beach Council's Ullman Scholar Fund**..... just follow these instructions:

- open our website at <http://www.navyleaguepalmbeach.org>
- Click on the **Donate** tab in upper right area of menu tabs
- Fill in the simple form donation amount, & enter **Ullman Scholar Fund** in Specific Purpose box
- Click the **Donate Now** button to donate via PayPal or Credit Card

**UPDATE: The ride is over,
but you can still donate!!**

Donations from Kristen's friends have already begun. Way to go Kristen and Debbie! Wishing you fair winds and following seas smooth roads!!



She did it!!

Kristen Ullman finished her 3,573-mile bike ride from San Diego to Washington, DC on June 2, 2019

She pedaled 226 hours over 49 days at an average speed of 15.8 mph truly phenomenal.

She was welcomed by family and friends in a well-deserved reception in Washington, DC.

The fund-raising component of Kristen's journey has raised over \$1600 to the Palm Beach Council so far; these funds will be used for CDR Keith Ullman Scholar Awards at the Palm Beach County Science and Engineering Fair.



The Ullman Scholar Awards have all been funded by the Ullman family and friends. Since the fund's 2014 inception, 10 local students have received a total of \$4000 in awards.



Deborah & Keith Ullman 2010

