

# NEWS CLIP

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**Navy League**  
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**Palm Beach Council**  
Citizens in Support of the Sea Services

## *Change of Command Sea Cadets – Palm Beach Division*

Palm Beach Division of Sea Cadets held a Change of Command ceremony at Berean Christian School on Dec 20<sup>th</sup>.

LCDR Dave Boucher was relieved as Commanding Officer by LTJG Gary Potts; Gary was the XO of the unit several years ago and has returned to lead the unit as C.O.



LCDR Dave Boucher - Nancy Fish - LTJG Gary Potts - Ken Lee

Navy League Palm Beach Council's VP for Youth Programs **Nancy Fish** and council member **Ken Lee** represented our council at the event



CAPT Deirdre Krause

Council member and long-time Sea Cadet staff participant Deirdre Krause also attended and is shown here with Nancy and Ken.

Division XO Alan Law was emcee for the event which closely followed the many long-standing traditions for a Navy change of command ceremony.



ENSIGN Alan Law



The impressive Sea Cadet color guard executed the colors ceremony, and the incoming and outgoing Commanding Officers conducted a joint, detailed personnel inspection of the entire division. They were joined by the keynote speaker, South Florida Sea Cadet Regional Commander LCDR Jeff Leibowitz.

The cadet division was commanded by C/PO 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Alina Montegegro – also very impressive!



LCDR Boucher had been Commanding Officer of the Palm Beach Sea Cadets for the past 13 years. A cadre of six former Sea Cadets, now all adults in strong careers, each spoke on the positive effects “the Commander” had on their lives, and they presented him with an engraved plaque expressing their appreciation. The old sea dog Commander was understandably quite choked up with all the attention from “his cadets.”

LTJG Gary Potts has a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of experience as a staff officer and former XO of this division; the division is in steady hands!

We’ll be called on for support, both financial and otherwise, and I hope all council members will help us answer the call; the Sea Cadet program produces outstanding young adults and citizens!

