

# NEWS CLIP

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## Navy League

*of the United States*

### Palm Beach Council

*Citizens in Support of the Sea Services*

## Youth Recognition Dinner

*Bear Lakes Country Club*

Top performers from the four council-sponsored Sea Service youth groups were recognized at an elegant dinner and awards ceremony on April 23rd at Bear Lakes Country Club. We were well cared for by the new club manager, Sheila.



The **Palm Beach Division Sea Cadets (SR Jonathan Lineweaver-Color Guard Commander)** provided Color Guard services, kicking off an outstanding evening of dining, conversation between youth groups and Navy Leaguers, and the presentation of 18 personalized plaque & cash awards.

Three **Top Performers** from each youth group were recognized and the **Color Guard Commander** of each youth group was presented with a **CAPT Peter L Knight Leadership** award; each of these 16 awards consisted of a personalized plaque and \$100 cash honorarium.

Each cash award was individually sponsored by a Navy League council member; honorees and sponsors are listed on the table card shown below that was given to all evening attendees. Seven of the award sponsors were in attendance for the event and were seated with their cadets.



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**Youth Recognition Night - April 23, 2016**  
**Top Performer Honorees**

**Palm Beach Gardens H.S. – Navy JROTC**  
c/LCDR Logan Griffith  
*Sponsor: Captain Iain Currie, USNR (ret)\**  
c/LT Megan Murray  
*Sponsor: Mr Jerry Nelinson USCG WW-2*  
c/ENS Mathew Gallo  
*Sponsor: Mr Jerry Gay*

**Young Marines of the Palm Beaches**  
YM PFC Harrison McCabe  
*Sponsor: LCPL Randall Townsend, USMC\**  
YM LCPL Austin Sanders  
*Sponsor: Ms Diana Paxton*  
YM PVT Eduardo Lopez  
*Sponsor: Colonel Jim Wells USMC (Ret)*

**Naval Sea Cadet Corps – Palm Beach Div**  
c/Petty Officer 3 Carolos Fernandez  
*Sponsor: Capt Dan Pedrick USNR (ret)*  
c/Petty Officer 3 Richard Verna  
*Sponsor: Capt Bob Crippen USN/NASA(ret)\**  
c/Ship's LPO Mario Cobo  
*Sponsor: Mr John Lively\**

**Naval Sea Cadet Corps – AmVets Division**  
c/Petty Officer 2 Amber Alicea  
*Sponsor: Ms Catherine Ford Brister*  
c/Petty Officer 3 Zachary Boggess  
*Sponsor: Rachel Gwinn\**  
c/Seaman Ethan Spell  
*Sponsor: Hon. Joan Ross ESQ*



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**CAPT Peter L. Knight**  
**Award for Leadership**

*In Honor of Capt Peter L. Knight – Past Council President  
Salutes those cadets who have demonstrated superior dedication  
and leadership through service as unit Color Guard Commander*

**Palm Beach Gardens H.S. – Navy JROTC**  
c/LCDR Luke Spadafora  
*Sponsor: Mr. Louis Palumbo CIA (ret)*

**Young Marines of the Palm Beaches**  
YM SGT Enrique Cadiz\*  
*Sponsor: Mr. Ted Kavage\**

**Naval Sea Cadet Corps – Palm Beach Div**  
c/SR Jonathan Lineweaver  
*Sponsor: Mr. Dean Woodman\**

**Naval Sea Cadet Corps – AmVets Division**  
c/Petty Officer 3 Matthew Saulog  
*Sponsor: Mr. Eric Rydstrom*

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**Commander Norm Daly**  
**\$1000 Scholarship**  
*Sponsored by Merry O'Donnell  
Competitively Awarded to Applicants Who Will Be Pursuing  
College-level ROTC Program Starting Fall 2015*

**Cadet Captain Alexander Carzola**  
*PB Gardens H.S. – Pursuing Army ROTC at UCF Orlando*

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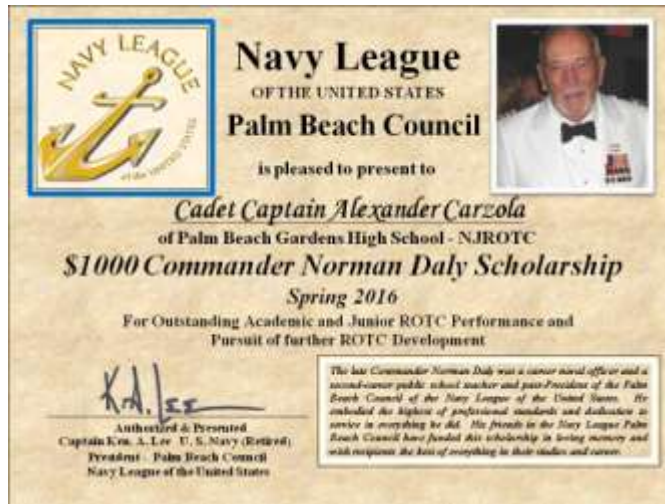
**Cadet Dinner Sponsors**  
Frank & Elizabeth Leonetti    Jerrome Goodman  
Dean & Jane Woodman    Bob Crippen    Rachel Gwinn  
John & Muriel Benisch    Bruce Crawford    Dale Holland



In addition to the aforementioned awards, NJROTC Cadet Captains Alexander Carzola and Charlotte Millhollon were recognized for Navy League awards they had received two days earlier at the NJROTC Awards night at Palm Beach Gardens High School.



C/Capt Carzola received a CDR Norm Daly \$1000 Scholarship and C/Capt Millhollon received the Navy League Teddy Roosevelt Medal for leadership from council member Stan Shanck at the school awards event.



All in all, lots of awards and lots of deserving cadets. A really fun and inspiring evening!

If you missed it this year, come and join the fun next year.





Two Sea Cadets were also recognized for having been accepted into U.S. Naval Academy Summer Training events. AmVets Division c/Seaman Ethan Spell will be attending the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) program and Palm Beach Division c/Chief Petty Officer Alina



Montenegro will attend the USNA Summer Seminar Program.



Nancy Fish, our Palm Beach Council VP for Youth Programs wore her right arm in an elegant party sling for the evening, but Cadet CPO Montenegro stepped up to assist Council President Ken Lee in presenting the awards. We all wish Nancy a speedy recovery from her recent auto incident injuries.



We were treated to short speeches by four of the award winners, and each speaker was again a winner – wow, wonderful talks and each met with much applause. The speakers were:



**Young Marine PFC  
Harrison McCabe**



**NJROTC Cadet LCDR  
Logan Griffith**



**Palm Beach Sea Cadet  
Petty Officer 3rd Class Carlos Fernandez**



**AmVets Sea Cadet  
Petty Officer 3<sup>rd</sup> Matthew Saulog**

Many thanks to photographers Lou Palumbo, Jerry Nelinson, Nancy Fish, Joan Ross and special thanks to Vanessa Turner of the PB Sea Cadets parents group. Please enjoy their work on the following pages.

































**Just too many  
good pictures  
... no way to  
get everyone  
into the paper  
.... we had a  
ball .... hope  
you'll join us  
next year !!**



Several days after our Bear Lakes CC dinner, Council President Ken Lee attended the Boca Raton NJROTC awards ceremonies on April 27<sup>th</sup> and presented three CDR Norm Daly \$1000 Scholarships to three outstanding graduating seniors embarking upon ROTC programs at college in the Fall.

Thanks to the endowment by council member Merry O'Donnell, we have awarded 15 CDR Norm Daly \$1000 Scholarships in the five years of the program – thank you, Merry!!

Congratulations to Boca Raton H.S. NJROTC Cadets

c/CAPT Andrew Middlebrooks  
c/LCDR Kennedy Blanchard  
c/LTJG Brandon Augustin



Bear Lakes CC was a great Navy League evening!

What's Next?

**Board Meetings May 10<sup>th</sup> and June 14<sup>th</sup>  
11:30 Marriott WPB Okeechobee Blvd**

All Members Welcome at Board Meetings !

Luncheon Social at PGA National May 12<sup>th</sup>

Navy Reserves Appreciation Dinner June 18<sup>h</sup>

**Come Join the Fun !**

Membership & Schedule Info Available on Website

[www.navyleague-pbcouncil.org](http://www.navyleague-pbcouncil.org)



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***Online Registration  
& Payment for the  
May 12 Luncheon at  
PGA National will be  
on website 'soon'***



***Guest Speaker***

***Commander Trent Westhoff***

***Commanding Officer***

***NOSC - West Palm Beach***