

HQ News and Info for Parents and Cadets 17 NOV 2023

NEW



Giving Tuesday

Your dedication to the Sea Cadets empowers future leaders and strengthens our maritime services for generations. Thank you again for helping us chart a course of opportunity and growth for young men and women!

Tuesday, November 28 is Giving Tuesday, a global day of giving. This year, the program has a goal to raise \$25,000. We're humbly asking for your support. Visit www.seacadets.org/donate-now to make your gift toward our Giving Tuesday goal. Thank you for your support!

Cadets & Parents Preparing for Annual Inspection

We are months away from the new year, and one of the best ways we can help our units is preparing for the unit inspection before it even starts! You're probably wondering what you can do to help your scores increase and your members be spot-on. Here are some checklist items you can work on:

- <u>Parents</u> can ensure their Parent Portal is updated with current documentation and all contact information is correct. Any expired forms have been re-signed and uploaded by the primary parent and verified by the unit.
- Cadets should be able to recite all the 11 General Orders of a Sentry.
- Cadets should be able to recite the Sea Cadet Oath.
- Cadets should know what each of their ribbons are and how they earned them.
- Cadets will prepare their uniforms by ensuring the following:
 - o dress shoes are shined before each wear
 - o dress uniform has been cleaned appropriately (no stains, no pet hair, no lint, etc.)
 - o dress uniform has proper creases for the uniform type
 - o name tag affixed to the dress uniform at the right height
 - o shoulder flashes and rank insignia are at the proper measurement from the shoulder seam
 - o all cadet ribbons are affixed to the dress uniform in proper order and at the right height (verify ribbon rack via Quarterdeck)
 - white hat that has been cleaned (not bleached) (or optional female black garrison cover –
 NLCC has the appropriate NLCC device on it according to the uniform manual) and cadet's last name is affixed to the inside for identity

REMINDER

Winter Trainings are Being Posted

Cadets (and parents) are encouraged to talk with their unit chain of command to find trainings that would be suitable for their interests and/or meet their current promotion requirements. Read all of the training details carefully, and ensure cadets are registered in a timely manner in order to receive approval for the training. Follow the payment instructions prior to making travel arrangements. We look forward to seeing you at winter training! Ask your unit about utilizing the **3 for Free** option -- if you have been recruiting cadets and volunteers!

Use the Winter Training Guidance on Quarterdeck in the News and Info section should you have any questions about changes to trainings this winter.

DATES TO REMEMBER

November

23Thanksgiving Day28 Navy Chaplain Corps Birthday Giving Tuesday



History of the Navy Chaplain Corps Birthday

The Navy Chaplain Corps was organized in 1775, making it the Navy's oldest staff corps. The Chaplain's Corps' 245th birthday is on November 28. The U.S. Navy Chaplain Corps not only provides chaplains to the Navy and Marine Corps, but to the Coast Guard as well. Six Navy ships have been named in honor of members of the Chaplain Corps:

USS Schmitt (DE-676/APD 76) USS Kirkpatrick (DE 318) USS Rentz (FF-46) USS O'Callahan (FF 1051) USS Capodanno (FF 1093)

USS Laboon (DDG 58)

Every day, America's service members selflessly put their lives on the line to keep us safe and free. Please take a moment to let our troops know how much we appreciate their service and sacrifice.

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