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Happy 2017!

We hope that your 2017 started off great. There are a lot of activities coming up that offer great opportunities for Navy Leaguers to get together.

Sea-Air-Space Registration is Open

We talk about "Sea-Air-Space: The Navy League's Global Maritime Exposition" throughout the year, but we would love for you to see this amazing show first hand. When we think about Washington, D.C., in the Spring, we think about cherry blossoms and Sea-Air-Space!



Come to the D.C. area April 3-5 for [Sea-Air-Space 2017](#), the largest maritime exposition in the United States, with 275-plus exhibitors displaying the latest in maritime, defense and energy technologies.

For Corporate Members, #SAS17 is a chance to see other suppliers, meet with your peers and sit in on great professional development sessions. [Registration is FREE!](#)

Inauguration

If you are traveling to D.C. for the Inauguration on Jan. 20, please let us know. While NLUS HQ will not be open on Friday, we are happy to help if you need

anything (except tickets) and would always love for you to drop by our offices. Please email [Jeanne Ellinport](mailto:Jeanne.Ellinport) and let her know if you'll be stopping by.

Exciting Convention in Milwaukee June 21-24!

The Milwaukee Council of the Navy League of the United States is excited to welcome Navy Leaguers from around the world to their great city on Lake Michigan. June is the perfect month for visiting Milwaukee, and the council has added an amazing lineup of tours and events to the National Convention [program](#) to help you mix Navy League business with pleasure.

Come a day early, because a trip to Marinette, Wis., is set for Tuesday, June 20, to see the Freedom class of the Navy's littoral combat ship being built on the river, with a stop at famed Lambeau Field, home of the Green Bay Packers, on the way back. A fun-filled evening follows at Miller Park, watching the Brewers take on the Pittsburgh Pirates, with our own National President throwing out the first pitch.

Tours of the Pabst Mansion, the Basilica of St. Josaphat and a historic boat ride down the Milwaukee River will be available, as will pre-planned "dine arounds" of various neighborhoods and a special tour of the Milwaukee beer barons of old.

The council has a special evening planned on Lake Michigan for Friday, June 23, hosted by generous Milwaukee area sponsors, with 100 percent of the donations made by attendees going directly to the Fisher House of Wisconsin. This will be a special week you won't want to miss!

Legislative Affairs Updates

■ **Campaign update.** The Continuing Resolution (CR) campaign on our *Voice to Congress* site has been updated to remove references to the Columbia-class submarine program, as it received a funding exception in the latest CR. It was one of very few programs to receive this anomaly, so many thanks to the Navy Leaguers who have emailed and briefed their members of Congress on this topic through our CQEngage *Voice to Congress* portal. To contact your members of Congress about the threat CRs pose to our sea services, please do so [here](#), early and often.

■ **VICTORY!!** The Navy League was one of the first advocates for the National Sea-based Strategic Deterrent Fund, starting with the Maritime Policy statement of 2011. With the passage of the CR that included the budget anomaly for the Columbia-class submarine, the program was moved from the research, develop, test and evaluation phase to procurement on schedule, and the first deposits were made into that special fund. This was thanks to the incredible work you did to send those emails and give briefs on the topic through our *Voice to Congress* site. Great work!

■ **New campaign:** The Bipartisan Budget Act, which raised the spending caps imposed by the Budget Control Act (sequestration), expires in fiscal year 2018, which means this year, we return to fighting sequestration. With Republican majorities in both chambers, there is reason to be cautiously optimistic about raising the caps or even a repeal. The Navy League has [relaunched the campaign](#) and urge you to get on front lines of this issue by messaging your members of Congress TODAY!

NEW - Monthly Forums with HQ Staff

Starting in January, the HQ staff will be hosting an hour call every fourth Tuesday of the month. The call will feature a different topic or two each month. Each call will begin with staff background on the topic and then open the lines for a question-and-answer session.

When: Tuesday, Jan. 24
Time: 2 p.m. EST, 11 a.m. PST
Call-in Number: (302) 202-1106
Passcode: 149613
Topic: A general overview of HQ
Staff Lead: Executive Director Cari Thomas

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