

USS Constitution Honorary Naval Order Flagship

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## 2023 Congress



17 - 21 October 2023 Double Tree Hilton Hotel Mission Valley, San Diego, California

#### Naval Order Mission

The Order's "charge" is to encourage research and writing on naval and maritime subjects and to promote the preservation of historic artifacts and members of our naval and maritime history. In addition, the Naval Order is also fraternal - so "camaraderie" is an equal ingredient.

#### Uniqueness

Founded on 4 July 1890, the Naval Order is the oldest American naval society. From it's beginning, the Order has had a dedicated interest in naval history and encouraged it's recording and preservation.

The Order has a unique provision for membership based on lineal descent, which ensures a strong continuing interest in the deeds and accomplishments of Companions and forbears in perpetuity.



An NOUS medal found on eBay in 2001 with number 44

Welcome to the 2023 San Diego CONGRESS. Our annual CONGRESS offers the opportunity to get together and share experiences, renew friendships and experience the camaraderie which we as members of the sea services have had throughout our careers. We have a great line up and agenda set for you while you are here in the beautiful city of San Diego. San Diego is the most unique of military cities in the country which encompasses all components of Naval Warfare: Air, Surface, Sub-Surface, Special Warfare, Inf

owar, as well as Marine Corps and Coast Guard bases, the renowned hospital at Balboa and a bustling port for merchant traffic making the area a microcosm of expertise and history for our sea services.

You will have the chance to set the course for the next year for the Order as we get through our business sessions. We need your input to grow and continue to make a difference....and have no doubt, we continue to make a difference in each of our Commanderies. Help us with your ideas and thoughts on our Mission Areas so we can keep sea service history alive!

You will also have the opportunity to see some of the unique representation of naval power and readiness such as the USS MIDWAY (CV-41) Museum ship, graduation of our finest new Marines at the USMC Recruit Command Graduation, high level presentation from renown historians and sea service policy influencers, and presentation from some up-and-coming historians. While in San Diego you can also take advantage of visiting the bases at Coronado for our Special Warfare and Amphibious Forces, NAS North Island for our Naval Air Forces, 32nd St. for the Naval Surface Forces, Point Loma for our Submarine Forces, USMC Recruit Training Center, the Coast Guard Pier and the INFOWAR Old Town Campus for the most forward leaning entrees into Cyber Warfare.

San Diego is also home to the World-Famous San Diego Zoo and SeaWorld, some very popular beaches as well as the famous Gas Lamp District. Take advantage of all you can while you are here and make sure you make your voice heard for the future of the Naval Order of the United States.

For the Good of the Order

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Robert N. Whitkop, USN (Retired) Commander General Naval Order of the United States



#### CAPT Robert N. Whitkop USN (Ret)

Commander General

CAPT Bob Whitkop, a native of Baltimore, MD, received his commission from the NROTC Unit, Jacksonville University in Florida and earned an MSSM from the University of Southern California. As a Surface Warfare Officer he served in USS ROBERT A. OWENS (DD-827), USS VREELAND (FF-1068), USS LUCE (DDG-38) and USS PAUL (FF-1080). Staff tours include OIC, NASAP/NDSAP/CAAC Bremerton, WA,; Destroyer Squadron 12, Mayport FL; Staff for COMUSNAVCENT on USS LASALLE (AGF-3) in Manama, Bahrain, CCG-6 Staff, Mayport, FL as N6 and Information Warfare Commander; and OPNAV N6 Staff as a Command and Control Requirements Officer.

Changing designator to Information Warfare Professional he served as CO, NAVCOMTELSTA Jacksonville and Regional N6 for CNRSE; Deputy N6/C51 for Fleet Forces Command; CO, NCTAMS Atlantic (Norfolk) and regional N6 For CNRMA; Commander NAVCOMTELCOM in Washington DC; and as Director of Architectures and Engineering (N6) and NAO on staff of NETWARCOM.

His military awards include Legion of Merit (3 Awards), Meritorious Service Medal (5 Awards), Navy Commendation Medal (2 Awards), Navy Achievement Medal, and various unit awards.

He has worked as a business manager and technical expert since 2004 for DigitalNet, BAE Systems, CELTEL Government Systems, owner of BIB Technologies LLC, GDIT, and Falconwood Inc. He also performed duties as an OPNAV HQE as Executive Director for the Next Generation Enterprise Networks Special Program Office (NGEN-SPO) from 2009-2010.

Joining the Naval Order as a Charter Member of the Florida First Coast Commandery in 1997, he served as Commander for 3 terms. He is a member of American Legion Post 316, Mayport Navy League and Life member of the VFW as well as AFCEA. He was awarded the Rockwell Award by AFCEA in 2010 as AFCEAN of the Year for his service to the organization and as President of the Jacksonville AFCEA Chapter.

#### RADM Peter L. Andrus, SHCE/MC, USN (Ret) Commander General Elect



Admiral Andrus, a native of Philadelphia, PA received his direct commission as a line officer in Medical School and served in the Naval Reserve while a medical student at the University of Pennsylvania and while in residency training. On active duty he was a General Preventive Medicine officer at Naval Aerospace and Regional Medical Center, Pensacola, FL.

After leaving active duty he served for ten years as Battalion Surgeon, 1st Battalion, 23rd Marines and five years in command of NR 4MARDIV 1/23. He drilled with NR Naval Hospital Corpus Christi 410 and in 1988 became the first Commanding Officer of NR Medical Unit P-1025B, the Baylor College of Medicine PRIMUS unit. From October 1989 to September 1992 he served as Director of Health Services for Commander, REDCOM Ten in New Orleans, LA. From 1992 to 1996 he served as 4th Marine Division Surgeon with additional duties as Marine Reserve Force Surgeon at HQ, Marine Reserve Force, New Orleans LA. He served as Commanding Officer, 4th Medical Battalion, 4th Force Service Support Group, Fleet Marine Force, San Diego, CA, from 1996 to 1999, then assumed command of NR Naval Medical Center San Diego. He was promoted to Rear Admiral (Lower Half) on 1 October 2000 and assumed duties as Medical Department Staff/Deputy Assistant Chief in BUMED-07 and as Marine Forces Reserve Surgeon. On 1 October 2002, he assumed duties as Deputy Fleet Surgeon, US Pacific Fleet, and as Deputy Director for Reserve Affairs (N931R) on the OPNAV staff. Upon promotion to Rear Admiral (Upper Half) on 1 October 2003 he continued to serve on the OPNAV staff, eventually serving as Chief of Staff for the Surgeon General's office (N093). He retired from the Navy on 1 November 2005.

His civilian career was on the faculty of Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, TX and in full time general pediatric practice in Kingwood, TX until April 2006. Since then he engaged in *locum tenens* practice, most recently performing physical evaluations for various Military Entrance Processing Stations until the summer of 2021.

RADM Andrus is married to the former Sharon Noss has three grown sons (one deceased) and five grandchildren. He resides in Lakeway, TX and Moravia, NY.



Admiral Karl L. Schultz USCG (Ret)

Distinguished Sea Service Award Recipient

Admiral Schultz served as the 26th Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard and led the largest component of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). As a flag officer, Admiral Schultz served as Commander, Director, DHS Joint Task Force-East, Director of Operations (J3); United States Southern Command Coast Guard Atlantic Area, in Doral, Florida; Eleventh Coast Guard District in Alameda, California and Director of Governmental and Public Affairs at Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Previous operational assignments include Sector Commander in Miami, Florida, as well as command tours aboard Cutters VENTUROUS, ACACIA and FARALLON. His senior staff assignments include Chief of the Office of Congressional and Governmental Affairs; Congressional Liaison to the U.S. House of Representatives; Liaison Officer to the U.S. Department of State, Bureau for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs. He is a 1983 graduate of the United States Coast Guard Academy. Additionally, he holds a Master of Arts in Public Administration from the University of Connecticut, and in 2006, completed a one year National Security Fellowship at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government.

He and his wife Dawn, have five grown children - Kelsey, Lindsey, Annaliese, Eric and Zachary.

Sergeant Major Mario A. Marquez, USMC (Ret)

III Marine Expeditionary Force Sergeant Major

Distinguished Sea Service Senior Enlisted Recipient



SgtMaj Marquez retired from the U.S. Marine Corps as a Sergeant Major with more than 31 years of service. He is a naturalized U.S. citizen through military service and served in multiple positions across Aviation, Expeditionary, Ground Combat and Logistics organizations.

His duties included serving as a Landing Support Specialist, Drill Instructor, Combat Service Support Chief, Company Gunnery Sergeant, Operations Chief, First Sergeant, and Sergeant Major. The pinnacle of his career was serving as the III Marine Expeditionary Force Sergeant Major, the largest overseas-positioned Marine Corps combat force. During his military service, Mario spent 20 of 31 years deployed or stationed overseas during which he participated in four combat tours in Iraq; supported Operations Inherent Resolve, Southern Watch and Enduring Freedom in the Middle East; participated in Operation Dynamic Response in Kosovo, Operation Tomodachi in Japan and other operations in Central America and Africa.

His personal decorations include two Legions of Merit, one Bronze Star, two Meritorious Service Medals, three Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals, and five Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals. Mario is a Member of the Marine Corps University Board of Visitors and an Executive Board Member of The Veterans Consortium Pro Bono Program. He is also a member of American Legion Post #OK28 and the VFW in Okinawa, Japan; Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America; The Marine Corps Association; and life member of the Marine Corps League and Disabled American Veterans He received his Bachelor of Arts, Summa Cum Laude, in East Asian Studies and Associate of Arts from the University of Maryland Global Campus.

He is currently a graduate student in Syracuse University's Executive Master in International Relations Program in partnership with the Center for Strategic and International Studies and currently resides in Virginia with his wife.



#### CAPT Don Walsh USN (Ret), PhD

Admiral of the Navy George Dewey Award Recipient

Born in Berkeley, California, CAPT Walsh joined the Navy in 1948. After serving in torpedo bombers he entered USNA in 1950. After 6 years in the Amphibious Forces he served in RASHER (SSR-269), SEA FOX (SS-402), and BUGARA (SS-331), eventually commanding BASHAW (SSKS -241). LT Walsh then commanded the Navy's bathyscaphe TRIESTE from 1959-1962. Designated USN Deep Submersible Pilot #1, he was the first submersible pilot in the US, and the first OIC of the TRIESTE at the Navy Electronics Laboratory. LT Walsh made history in 1960 when he and Swiss oceanographer Jacques Piccard dove TRIESTE into the Mariana Trench - 35,840 feet- and subsequently received the Legion of Merit from President Eisenhower at the White House.

CDR Walsh went on to serve as Special Assistant (Submarines) to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research and Development and later as Deputy Director of Navy Laboratories. He served in both the Korean and Vietnam wars, while attaining his PhD in oceanography from Texas A&M University, focusing on remote sensing and in 1969 earned an MA in political science (law of the sea issues) from San Diego State University.

In 1975, retired CAPT Walsh became professor of Ocean Engineering at University of Southern California and was founding director of the Institute for Marine and Coastal Studies. He later founded International Maritime Inc.

Since 1959 he participated in diving operations with over two dozen manned submersibles, piloting seven of them and has participated in more than 50 polar expeditions. Walsh was named one of the world's great explorers by Life magazine. In the MIR submersible, he dove on the RMS TITANIC, the German battleship BISMARK, and the Mid-Atlantic Ridge. He has spent more than five decades traveling the world conducting research in, on and around the oceans.

He has served in the following: National Advisory Committee on Oceans and Atmosphere (NACOA); National Academy of Sciences' National Research Council; and U.S. Department of State's Citizens Advisory Committee on Law of the Sea. He was elected to the National Academy of Engineering. He was awarded the following awards: Explorers Club "Lowell Thomas Medal" and "Explorers Medal"; Jules Verne Adventures' "Etoile Polaire Medal."; one of the great explorers in the Life magazine volume The Greatest Adventures of All Time; the National Geographic Society's highest award, the Hubbard Medal and National Maritime Historical Society's Distinguished Service Award.

Dr. Walsh and his wife Joan live on a remote ranch near Coquille, Oregon.

#### Speakers

- James McGinnis ~ A descendent of the Navy and Marine Corps veterans who, with a friend from Boston, started the Naval Order of the United States at Faneuil Hall, Boston in 1890. Formerly a Naval Medical Department specialist in Public Health, Occupational and Environmental Health Science.
- RADM Sam Cox ~ 14th Director of Naval History and Curator for the Navy and Director of the Naval History and Heritage Command, he is responsible for the Navy's official history programs, operational archives, Navy Department Library and the Navy's collection of historic artifacts, photographs, art, weapons and 1,100 display aircraft, and for the underwater archaeology program, ten official U.S. Navy museums, including the historic submarine NAUTILUS and for maintenance of the USS CONSTITUTION.
- CAPT Stanley Carpenter ~ Emeritus Professor of Strategy, U.S. Naval War College. He researches and publishes extensively on the British Civil Wars, the War of American Independence, American and British military and naval history, military leadership, and the two 20th-century world wars.
- RADM Michael Baker ~ Retired general and trauma surgeon, World Affairs Board of Trustees member, and Osher LifeLong faculty member at UC Berkeley, Dominican University and California State University East Bay. He is qualified in warfare specialties, combat deployment with the Marines, and strategic planning for both major conflicts and humanitarian emergencies.
- Mr. Michael Carra ~ An Aviation and Military Historian, and a professional speaker. He has spent over 35 years of study and research. His main area of research has revolved around the "Moment in Time" that occurred on December 7th, 1941, at Pearl Harbor. Former Marine and former police officer, pilot and documentary producer.
- RADM Douglas Moore ~ Retired Supply Corps Rear Admiral, former San Francisco superior Court judge, instrumental in the placing of the FADM Chester Nimitz statue on the pier with USS MISSOURI. RADM Moore was in ROTC program at UCAL Berkeley when Admiral Nimitz was present and has amazing anecdotal knowledge.
- Mr. Karl Zingheim ~ A San Diego native, Karl graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy in 1986. Following his naval service, he helped establish the Exhibits Department for the USS Midway Museum and now serves as the Ship Historian of the USS MIDWAY Museum.
- Navy History Day Winners ~ From various schools in the San Francisco area.

# NAVAL ORDER OF THE UNITED STATES "Uncommon Valor was A Common Virtue - MCRD - 100 Years" 2023 Congress Schedule of Events

Thursday, 19 October 2023 (con't)

#### Tuesday, 17 October 2023

2100 - 2300	Hospitality Suite	0800 - 0930	Opening Ceremonies Administrative Remarks:	Brickstones Room RADM Tom Andrew	s, SC, USN (Ret)
0800 - 1800	Wednesday, 18 October 2023  Breakfast (individually arranged)  Registration Desk / Welcome outside Brickstones Room		Commander General, CAPT Rob Commander Gener Presentation of Colors Logistics Group San Diego Invocation Tolling of the Bell in Honor of D	al calls Congress 2023 to 4th Medical Battalio National Anthem CDR Mike Zuffolett (Ret)	session n, Marine
Companions	Committee Meetings (all in Brickstones Room and open to all unless noted)  Dress Code: Business Casual		Tolling of the Bell in Honor of B	CAPT Kris Carlock, CAPT Fran McDona	
0800 - 0825	Credentials Committee		Committee Reports	Brickstones Room	
0800 - 0825 0830 - 0925	By Laws, Constitution & Resolutions Committee  Joint Membership and Retention & Commandery Support Committees	0940 - 0945 0945 - 1000	Credentials Committee Report Commander General Report		
0930 - 1025 0930 - 1025	Awards Committee (closed) Hospitality Suite History Committee / History Day Program	1000-1015	Break		
1030 - 1125 1030 - 1125	Communications Committee Nominating Committee (closed) Hospitality Suite	1015 - 1030 1030 - 1045	Recorder General Report Registrar General Report		
1130 - 1255	Lunch (individually arranged)	1045 - 1100 1100 - 1115	Membership Report Commandery Support Report		
1300 - 1355 1400 - 1455 1500 - 1625 1500 - 1615 1600 - 1715	Investment Committee Finance and Audit Committee Roundtable w/ Commandery Treasurers Joint Foundation Board & Project Manager General Council	1115 - 1130 1130 - 1145 1215 - 1315 Lee Douglas Dress Code:	Investment Report Auditor General Report  Lunch s/Jan Armstrong Awards Luncheo Business Casual	n Brickstones Room	
1800 - 1930	Commander General Reception Brickstones Room  Dress Code: Business Professional  DSSA Award Presentation  Dinner (individually arranged)	1330 - 1345 1345 - 1400 1400 - 1415 1415 - 1430 1430 - 1445	Communications Report Awards Committee Report Site Committee Report Historian General / History Day Project Manager Report	Report	
2100 - 2300	Hospitality Suite	1500 - 1515			
antible the	Thursday, 19 October 2023	1515 - 1525	Break		
	Breakfast (individually arranged)	1525- 1645	CG Roundtable w/ Commandery	Commanders	
0730 - 1130	Registration Desk / Welcome outside Brickstones Room		Dinner (individually arr	ranged)	
	General Session Dress Code: Business Casual 9	2100 - 2300	Hospitality Suite		

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### Friday, 20 October 2023

Breakfast (ind	ividually	arranged)
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0730 - 0 0800 1000 - 1	Busses <b>LEAVE</b> for Marine	e Corps Recruit Depot ony
1100 - 1	145 Tour MCRD Museum	
1200 - 1	315 Lunch	MCRD Officer's Club
	DSSA-SE Award Presenta	tion
1315 - 13	330 Break	
1400 1430	Board Busses for USS MII Tour USS MIDWAY Muse	
1500	RADM Brown Memorial A	*****
1630	Board bus to return to hote	
	Dinner (individue	ally arranged)
2100 - 23	300 Hospitality Suite	

#### Saturday, 21 October 2023

Breakfast (individually arranged)

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0800-0830	Administrative Remarks	RADM Tom Andrews, SC, USN
0830-0900	CAPT James A. McGinnis	Story of the Naval Order Founders
0900-0945	RADM Samuel J. Cox	Nightmare in Hell—the Navy at Iwo Jima
0945-1030	CAPT Stanley D. Carpenter	The U.S. Navy in the First World War
1030-1045	Break	
1045-1145	RADM Michael Baker	Teaching Casualty Care in Ukraine
1215 - 1315	Lunch - Admiral George Dewey Award Presentation	
1315-1400	2023 History Day Winner's	Presentations

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#### Saturday, 21 October 2023, con't

		Integration of the US Navy - 1861 The Cod Wars ~ England vs. Iceland
	- Rosie Gates	The Pirate Who Saved America
1400-1445	Mr. Michael J. Carra	Sinking of USS OKLAHOMA
1445-1530	RADM Douglas M. Moore	Fleet Admiral Chester Nimitz
1530-1630	Mr. Karl Zingheim	Point Honda Disaster
1630-1700	General Session Ends / Fin	al Remarks
1800-1900	Formal Cocktail Reception Dress Code: Navy -	Brickstone Room  Dinner Dress Blue
	Marine Corps	
	Civilian =	Formal Preferred
1900-2045	Formal Banquet	BGen Janes A. Ryans, II, USMC Commanding General, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Western Recruiting Region
2045-2100	Change of Command	Recruit Depot, restern Recruiting Region

Congress officially concludes Hospitality Suite 2100

2100

Sunday, 22 October 2023

Front Desk Checkout 1100



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#### Notes

#### Dress Code for Events

Congress 2023 has some unique event which require establishing specific dress codes. We will be attending some military events with very senior personnel where protocol dictates these specifics.

In your schedule you will find the following dress codes. Please have this in mind when you prepare for the trip and these events.

#### Business Casual

Collared shirts, polo shirts, jackets and ties optional

#### Business Professional

Coat and tie

#### Dinner Dress

Navy: Dinner Dress Blue

Marine Corps: Evening Dress "B" / Dress Blue "A"

Civilian: Formal Preferred

