



# 2011 YEAR in REVIEW

SAVANNAH  
COUNCIL

Recipient of the Outstanding Council Award



2011 was a record year for Savannah Navy League interaction with all of our sea services. Highlights include:

- Our adoption of the **USS Alaska** (SSBN 729), and its Gold crew marching in the St Patrick's Day Parade
- Our annual Coast Guard Night at the Sand Gnats picnic / ballgame
- Our dinner meeting at USCG Station Tybee
- The welcoming home of our other adopted ship, **USS Samuel B. Roberts** (FFG 58), from her six month deployment

And there were many others as listed in the following pages. Each of these offered our members opportunities to show personal support for the men and women who are devoting years of their lives to the service of our country. We are looking forward to continuing our support for these patriots in 2012.

For more recent activities, see our Facebook page at [www.Facebook.com/nlsavannah](http://www.Facebook.com/nlsavannah)



## Recognition Programs

Savannah Council presented recognition awards for outstanding performance to members of the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and participants in the Sea Cadets, Navy NROTC, NJROTC and Marine Corps ROTC programs.

- USS *Alaska* (SSBN 732)
- USS *Samuel B. Roberts* (FFG 58)
- USCG – Marine Safety Unit Savannah
- USCG – Air Station Savannah
- USCG – Station Tybee
- USCG – Aids to Navigation Team Tybee Island
- USMC - MALS-31 – Marine Air Logistics Squadron, Beaufort MCAS
- Savannah Sea Cadet Squadron
- South Effingham High School NJROTC
- Jenkins High School NJROTC
- Johnson High School NJROTC
- Savannah State University NROTC



## Ship Visits and Receptions

- USS *Normandy* (CG 60)
- USCGC *Oak*
- USCGC *Yellowfin*
- USCGC *Tarpon*
- USCGC *Beluga*
- USCGC *Block Island*
- USCGC *Staten Island*



## Changes Of Command

USCG – Marine Safety Unit	Savannah, GA
USMC – MALS 31	Beaufort, SC
USS <i>Alaska</i> (SBN 732) – Gold	Kings Bay, GA
Naval Air Station Jax	Jacksonville, FL
Hunter Army Airfield Garrison	Savannah, GA
US Navy Submarine Group 10	Kings Bay, GA
3 <sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division	Fort Stewart, GA



## Guest Speakers

- Greg McFall – Navy Diver / Gray's Reef Research
- CDR Max McCoy – Commanding Officer VFA-86  
MCAS Beaufort
- COL Jeff Hall – US Army Corp Of Engineers –  
Savannah Harbor Deepening Project
- USN CAPT Frank Butler (ret.) – Saving Lives on  
the Battlefield
- USMC LTC Terry Stautberg (ret.) –  
JNROTC Program
- ARMY COL Jack Dibreil (ret.) –  
POW / MIA Recovery
- USCG CDR Tim Tobiasz – Commanding Officer  
USCG Air Station Savannah  
USCG Hurricane Operations
- USCG CAPT Donna Cottrell – Commanding Officer  
USCG HITRON Jacksonville  
USCG Anti Smuggling Operations
- USN CAPT Pat Wyly - Assistant Chief of Staff  
for Operations for the Commander,  
Navy Region Southeast - 100 years of  
Naval Aviation



# Support Activities and Special Events

Savannah Council Adoption of USS *Alaska* (SSBN 732)

Legislative Interaction –  
 Congressman Jack Kingston; Congressman John Barrow; Kathryn Murph – US Senator Chambliss' Staff; Jared Downs – US Senator Isakson's Staff

Coast Guard Water Rescue Demo and Dinner  
 USCG Station Tybee/Air Station Savannah

Jasper Green Ceremony – USS *Alaska* Gold CO

St. Patrick's Day Parade Entry –USS *Alaska* Gold Crew

Submarine Birthday Ball – Jacksonville, FL

Coast Guard Picnic at Sand Gnats baseball game

Tour of Georgia Ports Facilities

Support – USCG Station Tybee, MSU, and Aids to Navigation units' morale funds.

Savannah State University NROTC Spring Review and Sailing Program

Pearl Harbor Remembrance Ceremony

USMC 4th Landing Support Battalion Hunter AAF

Landings Marine Ball - Savannah

Hospice Savannah Veterans Remembrance Service

Navy League National Convention Chattanooga, TN

Navy League South Atlantic Coast Regional Meeting New Bern, NC

Sea Cadet of the Year TV Interview

Sea Cadets – Veteran's Day Parade

Massing of the Colors

Homecoming Celebrations for USS *Samuel B. Roberts* (FFG 58) after her Six Month Deployment

USCG MK2 Sean Bretz Homecoming

Savannah Council Toys for Tots Christmas Party

Dinner Meeting Movie Night – Hero Ships / USS *Samuel B. Roberts* (FFG 58)

Sea Cadets

Guardian Challenge; Annual Inspection; Training with CG Reserve

Books presented to libraries of JNROTC and ROTC programs

