



Naval Submarine League 2011 Annual Report

For the Fiscal Year Ending 31 March 2011



CAPT MICHAEL E. JABALEY, JR., USN
FIRST VADM J. GUY REYNOLDS AWARD
FOR ACQUISITION EXCELLENCE 21 OCTOBER 2010

Report From The President

In Fiscal Year 2011 (1 April 2010 – 31 March 2011) the Naval Submarine League experienced success on many levels. The financial results start this year's Annual Report.

Fiscal Report: The League had a flat financial year reflecting the economy. Revenues were reduced to \$881K while expenses increased slightly to \$893K. The Auditor's Report will be in the October 2011 issue of *The Submarine Review*.

League Events: All the annual events were very successful this year in terms of attendance and financial results. The Ninth Annual *Submarine History Seminar* was held on 15 April 2010 at the U. S. Navy Memorial. "Ocean Surveillance During the Cold War" saluted the Ocean Surveillance community with a historical perspective of the



RADM Tom Brooks addresses audience on OSIS

contributions of undersea systems to the overall success of the Cold War ASW mission. RADM Tom Brooks provided an overview of the Ocean Surveillance Information System (OSIS) in fusing together the various sources of contact data, intelligence, weather, and other resources to support the Fleet. CAPT Jim Donovan provided an informative brief on the early years of SOSUS and how this system was expanded to provide a significant capability to today's fleet and national defense. RADM Eric McVadon provided the cockpit view of

maritime air as the quick response resource in prosecuting contacts. These seminars, conducted with the support of the Naval Historical Foundation, provide a firsthand report on the contributions made by the Submarine Force in the past. I hope that attendance will continue to improve each year.

The 2010 Submarine Technology Symposium (STS), "Increasing the Submarine's Value in Theater Operations and Irregular Warfare," co-sponsored by the NSL and Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory, was a resounding success. VADM George Emery, the Chairman of the STS, did a superb job of organizing the 11-13 May classified forum at JHU/APL. The revised format of this year's STS, that featured an active duty submariner reporting on an operational need at the start of each technical session, was well received. Attendees were challenged by ADM Greenert, ADM Donald, VADM Donnelly, and RADM McAneny to aggressively develop solutions for identified needs and to improve submarine capabilities in support of existing and new requirements. Ronald O'Rourke presented his challenges to the shipbuilding program and proposed several alternatives for consideration by the Navy to achieve proposed program objectives. The banquet speaker, General Montgomery Meigs, USA (Ret), author of "Slide Rules and Submarines", challenged the audience to think outside the box in looking for technology solutions.



General Meigs

The 2010 Annual Symposium was held on 20-21 October. The theme of the symposium, "Undersea Dominance in 2040" was particularly relevant. The highlights of



ADM Rich Mies, Margaret Williams,
VADM Joe Williams and
RADM John Padgett III

the symposium included a luncheon honoring the 2010 Fleet Awardees and a banquet honoring Mr. Walt Kitonis as the Distinguished Civilian and Vice Admiral Joe Williams, Jr. USN (Ret) as the Distinguished Submariner. In addition to a distinguished group of speakers representing the officer and enlisted Submarine Force leadership from the operational, acquisition, resource sponsor, and technical communities, the Honorable Frank Miller, a past Distinguished Civilian selectee, and the

Honorable Chuck Hagel, former Senator from Nebraska and present Chairman of the Atlantic Council, were our luncheon and banquet speakers, respectively.

Particularly relevant to this year's Fleet Awards ceremony was the presentation of the first "**VADM J. Guy Reynolds Award for Acquisition Excellence**" to CAPT Michael E. Jabaley, USN. Named for our past president, it was a fitting tribute to Admiral Reynolds' service to our nation and Navy. The League was also successful in endowing a perpetual Dolphin Scholarship in the name of VADM J. Guy and Mrs. Jan Reynolds for future students to pursue higher education. J. Guy was also designated as President Emeritus of the League.

Corporate Benefactors Recognition Days on 2-3 February 2011 focused on the challenges to be addressed in a tight fiscal environment and included ADM Kirk Donald, VADM John Richardson, RADM Mike Connor, RDML Dave Johnson and RDML Terry Benedict as the session speakers. Submarine Force Leadership is focusing on increasing capabilities based on responsibilities, obligations and opportunities within the constraints of resources, platforms and payloads. In addition, VADM Steve Stanley presented the breakfast audience with a broad overview of the resource constraints that will have to be managed while developing a new SSBN. Undersecretary of the Navy Bob Work challenged the luncheon audience with the encouragement that the Submarine Force already has the gold standard acquisition program with the VIRGINIA class submarine and that it will have to be matched by the SSBN acquisition program to sustain both lines within decreasing top line resources.



Under SECNAV Bob Work
and ADM Rich Mies

The Submarine Review will be a Submarine Force resource for disseminating Submarine Force "*Design for Undersea Warfare*" information to a large audience.

Additional means of expanding the submarine message will be through the Submarine Technology and Annual Symposiums. These are exciting opportunities for the Submarine Force and the Naval Submarine League to be involved with developing this strategy within the expanded DoD and industry partners. The Submarine Review provides you with a forum for discussing topics of interest to the Submarine Force. Seize the opportunity to express your views on subjects important to undersea warfare.

Corporate Benefactors: Corporate Benefactors continue to provide exceptional services and financial support to your League. Their willingness to sponsor our activities and offer in-kind donations, equipment, and services allows us to maintain our budget while providing quality service to the members. The benefactors have responded graciously to sponsorship opportunities for League events. Over the past calendar year we added six new Corporate Benefactors but lost 13, giving us a total of 67 at year end. Please thank our Corporate Benefactors for their continued support.

Membership: The membership program is not maintaining our base. This year we have experienced a loss of life and active duty members. We continue to recruit new members through Chapter events and outreach at the Naval Academy and Naval Postgraduate School. Our best recruiters are our members. I ask that each of you recruit a new member. Applications are available from League headquarters or the website www.navalsubleague.com.

I am pleased to serve as President of the League. I look forward to meeting many of you at the Chapter event this fall as I travel to speak to you about the Naval Submarine League and supporting the Submarine Force.



John B. Padgett III
Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy (Retired)
President