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Today--in the United States Coast Guard's 225th Anniversary year, the year in which New London celebrates its designation as a Coast Guard City--I am proud and grateful to be able to welcome you to the third annual Celebrate New London football game.

I say "proud" because this game recognizes and showcases New London students' talents and achievements. Even before we complete our conversion to an all-magnet school district, our schools, staff and students are winning statewide recognition and national awards. I am also proud that after more than a hundred years, our relationship with the United States Coast Guard Academy continues to grow and flourish.

I say "grateful" because without the generosity of sponsors and the hard work of staff and volunteers, it wouldn't be possible for New London students and their families to enjoy this game and familiarize themselves with the USCGA at a reduced price.

Events like these allow us to come together, break down barriers, and celebrate our diversity and accomplishments. Whether we are longtime residents or newly arrived USCGA students or faculty, we are all one community.

Sincerely,

Daryl Justin Finizio

Mayor, City of New London



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Dear Members of the New London Community,

Welcome and thank you for joining us at Cadet Memorial Field for the 3rd Annual Celebrate New London Day event!

We look forward to hosting a hometown crowd from New London: Connecticut's Coast Guard City as the Coast Guard Bears face the Golden Bears of Western New England. We are proud to have students from New London and their families join us today! During the game we will honor students selected by their schools for good grades or community service.

Strength of character, something our cadets will need to meet the challenges of Coast Guard service, is taught on our athletic fields. After graduation, our young men and women go directly into service protecting those on the sea, protecting the Nation against threats delivered by sea, and protecting the sea itself. So please help us cheer the hometown Bears on to victory, as we Celebrate New London and all that we have here in this wonderful shoreline community. GO BEARS!

Sincerely,

James E. Rendon

Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard



New London Public Schools

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dear New London Public Schools Families,

Celebrate New London highlights the truly wonderful partnership our district has with the United States Coast Guard Academy. We are thankful to not only have graduates of our district enlist in service and return to support our students in school, but to have the ability for our students to work with cadets and instructors on the Academy grounds. The gates to the Academy are open for you, I encourage you to explore the grounds of this historical military institution.

I look forward to seeing you there. Go Bears!

Dr. Manuel J. Rivera

Superintendent of Schools



Connecting New London & the Coast Guard THROUGH OUR STUDENTS

The U.S. Coast Guard Academy and the City of New London are again proud to be celebrating their special relationship with the annual "Celebrate New London" football game this Saturday, November 7th. The Academy will host New London public school students and their families when the Coast Guard Academy Bears take on Western New England at 1:00pm at Cadet Field. The goal of the event is to expose the Academy to public school students to "connect New London and the Coast Guard through our students."

The third annual event celebrates a relationship that has flourished for more than 100 years. "Celebrate New London" takes on added significance this year, as 2015 marks the Coast Guard's 225th Anniversary and New London's recent designation as an official "Coast Guard City."

As part of the "Celebrate New London" festivities, New London students will be honored throughout the game for their scholastic achievements. The New London High School Marching Band will perform at halftime, and NLHS cheerleaders will perform side by side with the U.S. Coast Guard Academy Cheerleading Squad.

Complimentary football tickets will be provided to New London Public School students and their families, made possible by advertisers of The Day Publishing Company. Free transportation is also being provided. Details on tickets and transportation can be found on page 5.

"Celebrate New London is always a highlight of our home football schedule. The Coast Guard Academy community embraces the relationship that we have with the city of New London," said Rear Admiral James E. Rendon, Coast Guard Academy Superintendent. "The Celebrate New London event allows the students of New London

and their families an opportunity to come to campus and see all the great things going on here, see some of their friends honored for hard work in the classroom and enjoy a college football game."

New London Public Schools have received statewide attention and garnered national recognition for its many initiatives that will fundamentally transform the district into a regional magnet school system offering the highest quality learning experience for all students.

"As New London Public Schools continues its transformation into a regional system of high-performing schools, businesses, community organizations and institutions of higher learning from across the state are becoming more and more interested in the ways they can work in our schools," said New London Superintendent of Schools Dr. Manuel J. Rivera. "Celebrate New London, in only its third year, continues to be the highest example of what these kinds of partnerships can do to not only elevate community involvement in our schools, but to demonstrate how an extremely effective joint partnership can benefit all students as well."



Scenes from Last Year's Celebrate New London.



Kickoff Kids

**Carlos Valle Posas from
Early Childhood Center at Harbor School**

**Linda Holean
from C.B. Jennings Elementary School**

**Aiden Morales from
Nathan Hale Arts Magnet School**

**Kevin Rosarivas from
Winthrop STEM Elementary School**

**Tyrell Fluker from
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New London Public School students and families, join us for the 3rd annual Celebrate New London!

- Support New London’s hometown college football team, the Coast Guard Bears as they take on the Western New England Golden Bears
- Cheer on the NLHS marching band and cheerleaders as they perform with the CGA Windjammers and cheerleaders
- Game tickets are donated by local businesses thanks to The Day Publishing Co.
- Free tickets available on the following dates:
Thursday, Nov. 5th and Friday, Nov 6th: at your student’s school (main office)
Saturday, Nov. 7th at Leamy Hall, Coast Guard Academy
- Free bus transportation at 11:30am and 12:15pm at the following locations:
Nathan Hale Arts Magnet School
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Bennie Dover Jackson Middle School
- Immediately after the game, two rounds of drop offs will be made back to each school. Parents/guardians of elementary and middle school students must accompany their children on the bus

Celebrate New London!

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Coast Guard through our students

For more information, please contact Julianne Hanckel at HanckelJ@newlondon.org

New London High School

Cheerleaders

Isis Torres (C)	Kierra Holt
Anandah Harkness (C)	Tayah Perry-Smith
Alyse Cornish	Anyah Boyd
Milagros Frontal	Azzure Brown
Sarah Hernandez	Brianna Brown
Kelsey Johnson	Jordan Brown
Aniyah Williams	Kiarra Burke
Vekema Aguirre	Justyce Fletcher
Dayhir Croft	Makayla Goss
Atiya Green	Gemma Hall
Tyjera Morris	Jadyn Harkness
Shalom Murray	Alaysia Hurdle
Aimee Riddick	Adoni Johnson
Jhannah Rivers	Arianna Ortiz
Chloe Sherman-Watson	Zeraiah Ramos
Myasia Outlaw	Maria Salas
Cyndell Pickett	Da'jah Uzzle

Marching Band

Leslie Abreu	Dennaya Parker Munden
Riley Barnes	Nydesja Pearson
Luis Bauz Torres	Abraham Pena
Paige Blauser	Carlosviza
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Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Fund Winner

Kobe Haley, a senior at Science and Technology Magnet High School of southeastern Connecticut, was recognized on October 15, at the 34th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr., Scholarship Fund Dinner. As one of six scholarship winners, Kobe is a member of the National Honor Society and has also received the French and Fundraising Awards at school. He is the captain of the high school football team, participates in the More Than Words Leadership Program and serves as a Chromebook Ambassador. Kobe contributes to his community by working with young people at a New London Recreation camp and also coaches six to 13-year-olds in the fundamentals of football at New London High School. His schools of choice include Yale and the University of Connecticut, where he intends to study to become a surgeon.



Kobe is pictured with his father, Robert Haley, and mother, Judith Knauer.

New London Public Schools Bilingual Contest Winners

New London Public Schools is proud to recognize Joao Tumbaco, a sophomore at New London High School, and Carlos Valle Posas, a Kindergartener at Early Childhood Center at Harbor School, for their achievement in the Connecticut Administrators of Programs for English Language Learners (CAPELL) Bilingualism Contest. Through an essay, poem, illustration or song, both Joao and Carlos were to answer a prompt about how bilingualism makes them a stronger individual, student and/or citizen.

They were asked to use examples from their past and present experiences to express what being bilingual means to them. They were also encouraged to include any challenges and/or opportunities that they or their family members have faced in their schools or community.



Joao Tumbaco



Carlos Valle Posas

The purpose of the contest was to give individual ELL students an opportunity to express what it means to them to be bilingual. The contest was open to current or exited ELLs in grades K-12 in Connecticut schools, and Joao and Carlos were selected as their grade level winners.

Joao chose to submit an essay while Carlos chose to submit a video for the contest entries. To read the essay and video, please visit newlondon.org.

Both Joao, Carlos and their family members will be recognized at a celebratory dinner later this month.

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Since the birth of the United States Coast Guard, first known as the Revenue Cutter Service, the City of New London has played a central role in Coast Guard history. From being home to Station New London, the USCG Research and Development Center, and the International Ice Patrol, New London also serves one of the Coast Guard's most vital roles of all – being home to the United States Coast Guard Academy, where many of America's heroic Coast Guard officers are trained for duty.

New London now has an "official" designation formally recognizing the city's special relationship with the Coast Guard. On August 14, New London was officially named "A Coast Guard City," an honor held by only a handful of communities across the country. The recognition came at the height of "Connecticut's Coast Guard Summer," the summer long celebration of the Coast Guard's 225th anniversary.



This well earned distinction is more than just a salute to the past. It is a vote of confidence in our community's unbreakable bond with the Coast Guard, one that will be further and indelibly solidified with the opening of the National Coast Guard Museum on the city's waterfront. There could be no better location for the first and only national museum devoted solely to the US Coast Guard!

New London's support for the Coast Guard goes beyond providing land for Coast Guard facilities. The very spirit of Connecticut's first Coast Guard City can be felt when one sees the NL ❤️ USCG in windows throughout the city and when children look in awe at the Coast Guard Barque EAGLE as she glides through the waters. It is felt when a group of crisply uniformed cadets walk down the street, being met by smiles and "thank you" greetings from the people of our city. It is felt when New Londoners come to Cadet Field to cheer on the Bears during the annual "Celebrate New London" football game.

The U.S Coast Guard holds a special place in the heart of the New London Community. For everything the Coast Guard gives us – time, service and wisdom— we as a city are deeply thankful. Our recognition as a Coast Guard City strengthens that relationship, one we will forever hold dear in our hearts.

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Enrollment: 912
Nickname: Bears
Colors: Royal Blue & Orange
Home Field: Cadet Memorial Field
Superintendent: RADM James E. Rendon
Athletic Director: Tim Fitzpatrick
SID: Jason Southard
Athletic Website: www.cgasports.com



Meet New London's Cadets!

4/C Camisha Moore

What attracted you to the Coast Guard Academy?
I realized that I wanted to attend the USCGA after completing the AIM program.

What is your major?
At the moment I have chosen Marine and Environmental Science (MES), however, government is another option I may pursue.

What activities are you involved in at the Academy?
Currently I on the Dance team and a member of the Genesis Club, the Companeros Club, and the Ballroom Dance Club.

What had been your fondest memory so far? Or What you most looking forward to at the Academy or in the Coast Guard?
My fondest memory so far was receiving my appointment to the USCGA at the conclusion of one year of prep school at the Marion Military Institute.



4/C Jian Zhang

What attracted you to the Coast Guard Academy?
I wanted to do something noble and have the opportunity to travel, plus the free tuition for a great education was a bonus!

What is your major?
I'm majoring in Mechanical Engineering, aka the zero sleep major.

What activities are you involved in at the Academy?
I participate in Intercompany sports. I am also in the Glee Club, and the fall play, Lend me a Tenor.

What had been your fondest memory so far? Or What you most looking forward to at the Academy or in the Coast Guard?
My fondest memory would have to be R-day and being a part of Mystic Flag Day when I saw my family for the first time after Swab Summer began.



2/C Brendan McNeil

What attracted you to the Coast Guard Academy?
The opportunity to be a leader in one of America's military service branches and receive a world-class education.

What is your major?
My major is Management.

What activities are you involved in at the Academy?
I am on the Football and Baseball team.

What had been your fondest memory so far? Or What you most looking forward to at the Academy or in the Coast Guard?
The 2/c summer experience was my fondest memory so far at the Academy. I am looking forward to graduation the most.



2/C Patrick Hanrahan

What attracted you to the Coast Guard Academy?
I was attracted to the Academy for a number of reasons. I grew up on the water and found a liking for the sea at a very young age. Once I saw the structure that the Academy could provide , coupled with the career options at sea I knew it was the school for me.

What is your major?
I am a Business Management Major.

What activities are you involved in at the Academy?
I play for the Varsity Soccer team.

What had been your fondest memory so far? Or What you most looking forward to at the Academy or in the Coast Guard?
My fondest memory up to this point has been being a cadre this past summer. It was an opportunity for me to show the new recruits what it means to serve our country and be a member of the United States Coast Guard. It also showed me the leadership style that works best for me.



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Celebrating our New London Natives

Ms. Andrea Marcille

President of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy Alumni Association.

Andrea Marcille, a native of New London, who attended New London public schools, is in her first year as president of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy Alumni Association.

Captain Marcille, a 1989 graduate of the Coast Guard Academy, retired from active duty on July 31st after serving more than 25 years in the Coast Guard. Her most recent assignment (Commanding Officer of the Leadership Development Center and Cadet Training Officer) saw her stationed at the Academy for the last nine years. She served on the Alumni Association Board of Directors during that time from 2009-2012.

She took some time out of her busy schedule leading up to Celebrate New London to talk about her experience growing up in New London and her time at the Academy and in the Coast Guard.



What is your fondest memory from your time as a Cadet and during your Coast Guard career?

My fondest moments in the Coast Guard involve some of the most amazing people I have ever met, my classmates from Academy Class of 1989, my shipmates on DECISIVE, CHASE, PEA ISLAND, and EAGLE, and the many mentors and role models I have been fortunate to know. When you are faced with challenging situations, you need to trust your team mates and your training and take decisive action.

What advice would you give to New London students who are interested in the Academy? How would you tell them to prepare for Cadet life?

Seek out opportunities that are going to challenge you, and where you will have the opportunity to practice and develop your leadership skills. Being successful at the Academy and the Coast Guard requires dedication, team work, hard work, and leadership. The more students can develop these habits in high school, the better chance they will have to thrive in the Academy environment.

Now that you are the President of the USCGA Alumni Association, tell us something fun from your first year on the job.

It's the people! It is what I loved most about my time in the Service, and what keeps me smiling now. I have the opportunity every day to work with a very talented team at the Alumni Association, interact with the cadets and Academy senior leaders, and learn from inspiring alumni on how we all, collectively, can make a difference.

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As a child growing up in the New London school district, what, if any interaction did you have with the U.S. Coast Guard?

My dad was a Chief in the Navy and often went to the Coast Guard Academy to the Chief's Mess or the Exchange. My sisters and I often went to the Academy on weekends to watch a movie in Leamy Hall or swim in the pool so I saw cadets there a lot - they were all men at the time.

When did you know that you were coming to the Coast Guard Academy and what was your deciding factor?

I applied to the Naval Academy and the Coast Guard Academy as a senior, and was not sure which I wanted to attend. I had a NLHS friend who attended the Coast Guard Academy and played softball; she introduced me to the coach and the team. In the end I chose the Coast Guard Academy because all jobs in the Coast Guard were open to women in the 80's, and that was not the case in the Navy at the time.

What was the biggest lesson you learned growing up in New London that helped you at the Coast Guard Academy?

I learned that every member of a team had a role and brought value, and you needed everyone to bring their best to be successful. I saw this on the cheerleading squad, co-ed swim team and softball team.

Celebrate **New London!**

National Coast Guard Museum

Gains Momentum

There are many ways to honor the courage and sacrifices of our nation's military men and women. Several cities across America offer museums dedicated to the history and traditions of specific military branches. From the National Museum of the US Navy in Washington, DC to the National Museum of the US Air Force in Dayton, Ohio, these institutions exist as living tributes to our nation's heroes to be enjoyed by military and civilian families alike. New London, Connecticut will soon join the ranks of these cities as the future home of the National Coast Guard Museum, the first and only national museum to be dedicated solely to the United States Coast Guard.

New London has enjoyed a thriving relationship with the United States Coast Guard for over 100 years as the home of the US Coast Guard Academy. To thank our brave Coast Guard men and women for their service and sacrifices, the National Coast Guard Museum Association, Inc. (NCGMA), a group of dedicated volunteers, has been hard at work to bring the museum to life.

In 2013, the 24th Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard, Admiral Robert J. Papp, Jr., USCG (Ret.) announced the location on the waterfront in New London. Payette of Cambridge, Massachusetts, the



The National Coast Guard Museum will be an interactive, educational facility.



Visitors to the National Coast Guard Museum will be greeted by several Coast Guard assets.

architects of record for the museum, have completed concept drawings of the project that utilizes the space adjacent to the city's train station and ferry terminals.

Plans include four floors of interactive exhibits, event space and lecture rooms, as well as a reception area with gift shop and café. In addition, America's tall ship, Barque *EAGLE*, will be home berthed at City Pier serving as a beloved attraction for the museum. A pedestrian overpass across the railroad tracks will connect the museum with the local ferry terminal and New London's Union Station, ushering worldwide visitors as they come to experience the first national museum dedicated to the U.S. Coast Guard's history.

Since its inception in 1790, the Coast Guard has established a proud and illustrious history which deserves recognition from the public, who are generally unaware of the scale and scope of Coast Guard operations. "The heroes of the U.S. Coast Guard deserve to have their stories told and this museum will be a worthy tribute," shared a member of the NCGMA Board of Directors.

Interactive exhibits and displays designed by Patrick Gallagher and Associates will include realistic virtual environments in which the museum visitor can be a part of the action. The nature of the Coast Guard's missions lend themselves to spectacular exhibits in a dynamic architectural space: simulation of helicopter rescues in Force 10 storms saving lives at sea; rescue boats tossing and swaying in tumultuous seas; a ship's bridge on the "prow" of the building simulating a Captain's role; the building and the sheer red atrium wall evoke the tall hull of a ship thrusting out to the water.

The National Coast Guard Museum Association, Inc., a private nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation and promotion of the United States Coast Guard history and tradition, is currently leading the fundraising effort for the museum. For more information or to make a donation, contact the National Coast Guard Museum Association at 860.443.4200 or visit coastguardmuseum.org, and follow @USCGMuseum on Facebook and Twitter.

New London High School Football

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11/7	Jr. Varsity • 11:00am @ Windham
11/12	Freshman • 3:45pm East Lyme
11/14	Jr. Varsity • 10:00am @ Ledyard
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11/26	Varsity • 10:00am @ Norwich Free Academy

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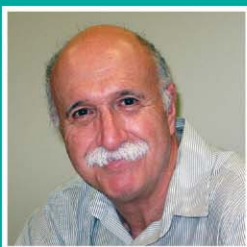
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