

SPEECH FOR
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GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE, AND THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE TO HELP US KICK OFF THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE NAVY'S BIGGEST AND BEST TRAINING FACILITY - NTC GREAT LAKES. EVERYONE HERE, WHETHER ACTIVE OR RETIRED, MILITARY OR CIVILIAN IS A SPECIAL FRIEND OF NTC AND I AM SO PLEASED THAT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO COME TOGETHER FOR THIS OCCASION.

WE ARE CELEBRATING WHAT WE MODESTLY HAVE DUBBED 75 YEARS OF GREATNESS - IN REALITY 75 YEARS OF OUR TRAINING THE FINEST AMERICAN YOUTH IN THE EVER-CHANGING LORE AND TECHNICAL SKILLS OF THE GREATEST NAVY IN THE WORLD. WE ARE CELEBRATING THIS YOUTH, THEIR INSTRUCTORS AND SUPPORTERS, AND THE IDEAL OF SERVICE TO OUR NATION. WE ARE ALSO CELEBRATING YOU, OUR MANY CIVILIAN SUPPORTERS, WHO HAVE PROVIDED THE LAND ON WHICH WE ARE BASED AND SHARED ~~THE~~ ~~THE~~ BENEFITS OF OUR PRESENCE HERE IN THE GREAT MID-WEST.

PLANNING AND EXECUTING THE DETAILS ASSOCIATED WITH AN UNDERTAKING LIKE WE HAVE TODAY-AND WILL HAVE ON EACH FRIDAY THROUGH 1 AUGUST-IS A ^{Great} ENORMOUS CHALLENGE. CREDIT IS DUE TO MANY PEOPLE WHO HAVE WORKED INCREDIBLY HARD ON THIS ^{Project} ~~WORK~~ IN ADDITION TO THEIR REGULAR DUTIES. ^{Time} ~~THIS~~ PERMITS ME TO RECOGNIZE ONLY THE KEY LEADERSHIP WHO I WOULD ASK TO STAND TO BE RECOGNIZED. CHAIRMAN OF THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY AND SPARKPLUG FOR IT ALL IS CAPTAIN CARMEN CIARDELLO, DENTAL CORPS, COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE NTC DENTAL CLINIC. HIS 3 PRINCIPAL VICE CHAIRMAN ~~ARE~~:
CAPTAIN GARY BAIR, COMMANDING OFFICER OF READINESS COMMAND

THIRTEEN, ^{AND} COORDINATOR OF RESERVE SUPPORT AND MUCH MORE BESIDES

CAPTAIN NORMAN LORD, COMMANDING OFFICER OF RECRUIT TRAINING COMMAND, WHO COORDINATED HIS COMMAND'S INVOLVEMENT.

^{And} MR. JIM HOTHAM, ~~RECEIVED~~ ^{great lakes region of the} PRESIDENT OF THE NAVY LEAGUE WHO COORDINATED SUPPORT FROM ~~OUR STELLAR~~ ^{The} FRIENDS OF THE NAVY WITHOUT WHOM WE COULD NOT HAVE ~~HAD~~ ^{held} THIS ~~BE~~ COMMEMORATIVE EVENT, ~~AND~~ TWO OTHER KEY PLAYERS *are*:

CAPT BOBBIE SUSE, COMMANDING OFFICER OF NAVAL TRAINING STATION WHO COORDINATED ALL LOGISTICS SUPPORT AND

CAPT DICK WYTENBACH, COMMANDING OFFICER OF SERVICE SCHOOL COMMAND WHO ~~HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR THE COORDINATION OF TOURS AND OTHER SIGNIFICANT ASPECTS OF SERVICE SCHOOL COMMAND'S PARTICIPATION.~~ ^{was ~~not~~ responsible for the}

JOIN ME IN WARM TRIBUTE TO THEIR INTENSIVE EFFORTS. (CLAP)

THERE IS ONE OF THAT NUMBER WHO I WANT TO SINGLE OUT TODAY FOR SPECIAL ACCORDS. JIM HOTHAM WOULD YOU PLEASE JOIN ME. FOR THOSE FEW OF YOU WHO DON'T KNOW JIM, I WOULD TELL YOU THAT, IN ADDITION TO HIS NAVY LEAGUE ROLE, HE IS A RETIRED BANKER AND FULL TIME SUPPORTER OF NTC GREAT LAKES. I CALL HIM THE "CIVILIAN FATHER OF THE NTC 75TH ANNIVERSARY" BECAUSE HE HAS CHAIRED A COMMITTEE OF SPECIAL "FRIENDS OF THE NAVY" WHICH RAISED MORE THAN \$55K IN CONTRIBUTIONS TO BEAR THE COST OF THIS CELEBRATION. JIM, ON BEHALF OF NTC, I WANT YOU TO HAVE THIS 75TH ANNIVERSARY PLAQUE AS A SMALL MEMENTO OF OUR GREAT THANKS TO YOU FOR YOUR INCREDIBLE SUPPORT AND THAT OF EACH MEMBER OF YOUR COMMITTEE. PLEASE SHOW JIM AND HIS COMMITTEE HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATE THEIR HELP.

Q INCIDENTIALLY, WHEN YOU ~~PROCEED~~ ^{after} FROM LUNCH, ^{today when you proceed} TO THE REVIEW, ~~TODAY~~ ^{you} WILL RECEIVE A BEAUTIFUL MEMENTO PROGRAM THAT THE COMMITTEE DEFRAYED ^{ing stands on Ross Field, you}

FOR US. PLEASE LOOK AT THE LAST 2 PAGES TO SEE THOSE ~~SOME~~ ^{special folks} FRIENDS WHO CONTRIBUTED SIGNIFICANTLY TO THE FRIENDS OF THE NAVY BURSE.

THIS WEEK A SPECIAL SALUTE OF RECOGNITION GOES TO OHIO, ONE OF THE STATES IN MY 5 STATE AREA OF COORDINATION. THE STATE IS REPRESENTED BY OUR SPEAKER WHO I WILL INTRODUCE IN JUST A MOMENT, AND PERHAPS BY OTHERS HERE AS WELL. DO WE HAVE ANY OTHER "BUCKEYE" STATES ^R HERE? WELL THANKS TO YOUR GREAT STATE FOR THE FINE YOUNG PEOPLE YOU HAVE SENT TO THE NAVY VIA NTC GREAT LAKES SINCE 1911.

TIME UNJUSTLY PREVENTS ME FROM INTRODUCING ALL OUR MANY DISTINGUISHED GUESTS HERE TODAY BUT I MUST ALLOW YOU TO GREET A FORMER COMMANDANT OF THE NINTH NAVAL DISTRICT, REAR ADMIRAL HENRY RENK ~~TO~~, (PLEASE STAND) AND ~~THE~~ ^{three} FORMER CNTC'S, WHO YOU WILL REMEMBER WELL, REAR ADMIRAL JIM FLATLEY AND CAPTAIN CHUCK HEILAND. ^{and Captain V.J. Soballe} ALSO WITH US ARE:

ADMIRAL BILL THOMPSON, THE NAVY'S FIRST FLAG OFFICER IN THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMUNITY AND ONE TIME PAO AT GREAT LAKES.

REAR ADMIRAL HEINZ LOEFFLER, ^{Supply Corps} NOW RETIRED BUT A GREAT FRIEND ~~NTC~~

^{Rear Admiral Bob Wiss, active member, JAG Corps}

MAYOR BOB SABONJIAN OF WAUKEGAN

^{former Congressman Bob McElroy}

~~MR. BOB BYRNE REPRESENTING NORTH CHICAGO~~ ^{near port}

~~MR. KEITH GARRITY, PRESIDENT OF FANSTEEL~~

CAPT HOWARD KERR, ~~VP FANSTEEL~~ ^{VP FANSTEEL} ~~CUSTOM TECHNOLOGIES~~

FANSTEEL

^{Mr Bill Kieby of the MacArthur Foundation}

MR. DICK KENNEDY, PUBLISHER OF THE GREAT WAUKEGAN

NEWS-SUN, THAT DID SUCH AN EXTRAORDINARY SECTION ON OUR ANNIVERSARY; AND VERY SPECIAL, MR. LOUIS SEAVENS, 98 YEARS YOUNG, WHO SAYS IN RELATION TO OUR 75 YEARS - YOU AIN'T SEEN NOTHING YET.

We are also happy to have with us
American Veterans, ^{Retired Officers Association}, ^{Naval Club of the USA}, ^{Naval League}, ^{Disables}
Order of the World Wars, ^{VFW}, ^{Naval Order of the U.S.}, ^{Military}

~~AND SO MANY OTHER DEAR FRIENDS.~~ GOD BLESS YOU ALL FOR YOUR LOYALTY TO GREAT LAKES.

NOW I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE HEAD TABLE. ^{of your} ~~YOUR~~ LEFT IS:

CAPT NORMAN LORD, WHO I PROUDLY INTRODUCE AS COMMANDING OFFICER OF RECRUIT TRAINING COMMAND

ON THE FAR RIGHT CAPTAIN ANGUS MACDONALD, MY CHIEF OF STAFF,

NEXT TO CAPTAIN MACDONALD IS ADM ELMO R. ZUMWALT, JR., U.S. NAVY, RETIRED, WHO WILL REDEDICATE THE THE BASE THIS AFTERNOON AS WELL AS RECEIVE THE PASS IN REVIEW HONORS FROM TODAY'S GRADUATING RECRUIT COMPANIES.

MOST OF THIS AUDIENCE REMEMBERS WELL THE ZUMWALT YEARS OF THE EARLY 1970'S BUT MANY PEOPLE DO NOT KNOW VERY MUCH ABOUT THIS SINGULAR GENTLEMAN WHO PRIDES HIMSELF ON HIS ROOTS IN TULARE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, HIS EAGLE SCOUT ACHIEVEMENTS AND ^{his} WONDERFUL PARENTS, BOTH OF WHOM ~~THE~~ ^{were} MEDICAL DOCTORS. THE ADMIRAL GRADUATED CUM LAUDE FROM THE NAVAL ACADEMY IN 1942, AND AFTER EVENTFUL WORLD WAR II SERVICE COMMANDED, USS DEWEY, LATER A CRUISER DESTROYER FLOTILLA, AND IN THE LATE 60'S ALL U.S. NAVAL FORCES IN VIETNAM AND THE U.S. MILITARY ASSISTANCE COMMAND VIETNAM. HE ALSO SERVED AS DIRECTOR OF ARMS CONTROL IN OSD, AS EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY PAUL NITZE, AND AS DIRECTOR OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS SYSTEMS ANALYSIS GROUP. IN 1970, AT THE AGE OF 49, THE YOUNGEST 4 STAR ADMIRAL IN OUR NAVAL HISTORY, HE WAS SELECTED TO SERVE AS CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS. HIS TENURE WAS HIGHLIGHTED BY WIDE-RANGING REFORMS TO MODERNIZE AND REVITALIZE THE FLEET AND TO IMPROVE THE LOT OF OUR SAILORS. SINCE HIS RETIREMENT IN 1974, ADM ZUMWALT HAS BECOME A NOTED AUTHOR AND COMMENTATOR ON

WORLD EVENTS, A LECTURER AND A CORPORATE LEADER. I HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF WORKING FOR THE ADMIRAL FOR 4 YEARS - AND HE REMAINS THE BEST, THE BRIGHTEST AND THE FINEST HUMAN BEING I HAVE EVER BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH. PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING ADMIRAL ZUMWALT.

OUR GUEST SPEAKER TODAY, ^{and representing the same state of Ohio} IS MR. JOHN SCHRECONGOST WHO IS PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER OF CLEVELAND PNEUMATIC COMPANY WHICH PROVIDES AMONG OTHER THINGS KEY ELEMENTS OF THE NAVY'S NEW F & A 18 AIRCRAFT. MR. SCHRECONGOST, ~~BORN IN PENNSYLVANIA~~, SERVED IN THE NAVY IN WORLD WAR II, RECEIVING PART OF HIS FORMAL EDUCATION AT YALE AS AN NROTC STUDENT AND PART AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL AS AN AVIATION CADET. HE RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND AND HAS COMPLETED THE ADVANCED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM OF THE HARVARD GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS. HE HAS 37 YEARS OF SUPERB EXPERIENCE IN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION WITH G.E., WARNER SWASEY AND, SINCE 1978, CLEVELAND PNEUMATIC ^{Company} WHERE HE RAPIDLY CLIMBED THE CORPORATE LADDER TO BECOME ITS PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER. PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING ^{me} JACK SCHRECONGOST AND HIS LOVELY WIFE, PATRICIA.