

DEPARTMENT OF THE GOLDEN WEST (CA / NV) -- (New Name)

Santa Clara County Unified Chapter #63

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"Winner – ROA National Distinguished Chapter Award – 2004 – 2005"

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"Winner – Department of the Golden West President's Cup – 2014 – 2015"

After Action Report -- Saturday -- 15 August 2015

Commander Amy D. Hunt, United States Navy

Commanding Officer - Navy Operational Support Center (NOSC) San Jose, CA

- The Navy Reserve Chief's mission/vision for 2015-2025
 - NOSC San Jose's mission and local activities





As of March 22, 2006 all Navy Reserve Centers were renamed Navy Operational Support Centers (NOSCs). The change was a result of the Navy's vision for the center's name to more accurately describe the integrated role Reserve forces play in the day-to-day planning and operational requirements of the Navy. The name change is to show what the NOSCs actually do for the Navy, which in general is to provide ready and fully integrated Sailors to the fleet.

"The military services are experiencing a lot of change," according to CDR Amy Hunt, USN, Commanding Officer of Navy Operational Support Center (NOSC), San Jose. She was the chapter's luncheon speaker in mid-August and provided a report on the status of the Reserve Force. The Navy Reserve vision for 2015-2025 is to provide a ready and agile Force, whereby military and civilian skills are deliberately leveraged to support mission accomplishment. The mission is to deliver strategic depth and operational capability to the Navy, Marine Corps, and Joint Forces.

Vision

A ready and agile Force, whose military and civilian skills are deliberately leveraged to support mission accomplishment

Mission

Deliver strategic depth and operational capability to the Navy, Marine Corps, and Joint Forces

CDR AMY HUNT, USN

- Human Resources Officer
- Full Time Support
- Tours Afloat and on OPNAV Staff
- SECAV Reserve Forces Policy Board
- Commanding Officer NOSC San Jose

Strategic Imperatives

- 1. Keep pace with Navy's future capabilities
- 2. Maintain a ready Force for tomorrow
- 3. Actively employ Sailor's unique capabilities
- 4. Deliver technologically advanced solutions
- 5. Develop transformational leaders

NOSC SAN JOSE R.O.C.K.S

- READINESS
- OPPORTUNITY
- COMMUNITY
- KNOWLEDGE
- SUPPORT

✓ What you can do to help

✓ Support our Troops

• Advocacy: Medical, Benefits, MT&E (Man, Train, Equip) Policy

✓ Articulate the Value of a strong Reserve Force

- Augment operational capacity from a strategic force
- Protect Navy's ability to provide and regenerate capabilities
- Capitalize on Prior Service/Continuum of Service/Civilian Skills
- Force Multiplier and Readiness Enabler
- COST EFFECTIVE!

✓ Support Returning Warriors

- Understand the challenges of PTSD on members/families
- Hire veterans, legal assistance, scholarships
- Emergent Tasking Humanitarian
 Assistance/Disaster Relief, Defense Support of Civil Authorities, Individual Augmentation, etc.

The luncheon provided a unique interactive opportunity to learn details about Navy Reserve operations and activities today as well as career details and experiences of an extraordinary and highly decorated Naval Officer who initially qualified as a Navy Nurse and later distinguished herself in assignments as far-reaching as adjunct professor of Joint Maritime Operations; Navy Recruiting Officer; Human Resources Officer; Training Officer, Officer of the Deck, and Conning Officer aboard the aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) which deployed to Haiti and Iraq; and, Operational Support Officer for the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Plans, and Strategy (N3/N5), in Washington, D.C.

CDR Hunt's presentation offered a description of the Navy Reserve's strategic imperatives including keeping pace with the Navy's future capabilities, maintaining a ready force, actively employing Sailor's unique capabilities, delivering technologically advanced solutions, and developing transformational leaders; a size comparison of the U.S. Navy Total Force and Reserve Component (494K w/civilians vs 57K); number and location of the Navy Operational Support Centers (123 in CONUS including those in Guam and Puerto Rico); and, Navy Operational Support Center, San Jose.

NOSC San Jose has 271 SELRES Sailors, 25 full time staff, and 11 units; the mission includes developing total personnel and other capabilities in support of the Navy worldwide, provide needed resources, provide a positive impact to the people of the Bay Area, develop leaders by providing education, training and specific experiences, help Sailors and families navigate life's unforeseen challenges. Units are diverse and drill at locations throughout the San Francisco and Monterey Bay areas. Details about support activities, worldwide mobilization numbers, and locations of boots on the ground were provided.

Chapter #63 members and others have opportunities to help NOSC San Jose by supporting the troops mainly through advocacy for medical, benefits, plus Man, Train, Equip (MT&E) policy; help articulate the value of a strong Reserve Force by influencing the augmentation of operational capacity, help capitalize on prior service and civilian skills, and demonstrate the Navy Reserve as a force multiplier and readiness enabler, always demonstrating cost effectiveness; finally support returning warriors by understanding the challenges of PTSD on members and families, hiring veterans, providing legal assistance, and awarding scholarships.

ROA and the Armed Forces: Creating one voice for one mission!

There was an active question and answer period and in part CDR Hunt told how everything necessary is being done to protect the NOSC facility. The organization has been given authority to maintain armed sentries, for armed self-defense only, and with no law enforcement role.

March 3, 2015 marks the Navy Reserve Centennial which will involve a year-long celebration for an organization which boasts Ready Then! Ready Now! Ready Always!

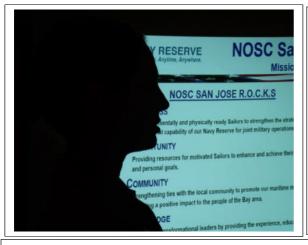
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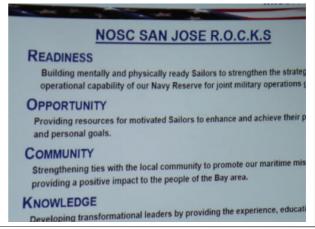
Scenes and Moments from the 15 August 2015 ROA GW/063 Chapter Luncheon with Commander Amy Hunt





Commander Hunt fields a question from Commander Bob Whitten, USNR (Ret.) – a Korean War Veteran AKA "The Ancient Mariner" and Master Gunnery Sergeant Bob Teal, USMC (Ret.) – a former cadre member of the Campbell High School District Junior ROTC Unit.





Commander Hunt explains that strengthening ties with the San Jose Community started by enlightening the San Jose Mayor that the San Jose Navy Operational Support Center -- embedded both within his domain and Silicon Valley -- provides a positive impact both to the City of San Jose – and the Bay Area Residents.

We in ROA Chapter GW/063 agree that Commander Hunt provided a positive impact to our small group on Saturday 15 August 2015.