

Naval Sea Cadets, Sea Scouts Take Part in USNMF Sponsored Adventures

American, Japanese youth exchange visits



USNMF Youth Exchange Project participants visit units of the Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force in Japan.

The Navy Memorial Foundation recently hosted its second annual Maritime Youth Exchange Project. Japanese and American students took part in a wreath-laying ceremony at the Memorial. Rear Admiral Hank McKinney briefed the students about the values of this exchange program. The students viewed "At Sea" and attended a reception in their honor in the Naval Heritage Center.

Under a theme "Partners for Peace—The Seas that Divide Us, Unite Us," the program focused on building understanding, respect, teamwork and friendship among the twelve students and six adult leaders participating in the program—a stepping stone for future international cooperation. Financial support was made possible by the generous donations from the Chesapeake Corporation, Navy Federal Credit Union, and Navy Memorial Foundation board member Robert Dorion.

The youth exchange program was devised by the Navy Memorial Foundation as part of its naval and maritime heritage education programs. Its counterpart organization in Japan is the Youth Research Institute.

Sea Scouts Come Ashore for "Top Gun Experience"



Sea Scouts visit naval facilities at Patuxent, Maryland, as part of a cooperative program between the Boy Scouts of America and USNMF.

The Navy Memorial Foundation and the Boy Scouts of America recently sponsored a week-long adventure for two dozen Sea Scouts and their adult leaders. Dubbed a "Top Gun Experience," the schedule took the group through the Naval Academy, Patuxent River naval installations and local Coast Guard and Marine facilities. The Scouts received hands-on training with ship and aircraft simulators, underway sail boat

training, and meetings with members of the House and Senate. They had a yacht-borne look at the Fourth of July fireworks. They also got a taste of the military life, complete with physical training.

The theme for the week-long program was "Honor, Courage and Commitment"—value watchwords of today's Navy.



Sea Scouts try on flight gear.

Combined Federal Campaign: List Navy Memorial Foundation For 1999 Donations

As reported earlier, the Navy Memorial Foundation has won designation as a beneficiary organization for the 1999 Combined Federal Campaign (CFC). The twenty-two year old non-profit education foundation's inclusion in the CFC was approved by the United States Office of Personnel Management, which oversees federal participation in the annual charity drive.

"We hope that Lone Sailor readers—our shipmates and plankowners and friends—who are federal employees or active military participants in the Combined Federal Campaign will designate the Navy Memorial Foundation on their CFC donor

cards," said Rear Admiral Henry C. McKinney, President and CEO of the Foundation. "The campaign is directed to all military and civilian personnel in the federal government, and we are pleased that our designation provides a heretofore unavailable means Navy people have to contribute to the Memorial which honors them."

The Foundation will be included in the CFC National List and will be listed in every campaign brochure with an assigned CFC number of 0869. Donors must list this number to indicate their choice of the Navy Memorial Foundation to receive their contributions.