



March 2019

IV Navy League Dinner | March 5 at 6:30 pm

Let us introduce you!

It is our pleasure to introduce the men and woman of the Blue Angels Enlisted leadership. They call themselves the "Men in Black" or "MIBs" for short. You can easily spot them -- they wear the black Blue Angels uniform and yellow neckerchief, as opposed to the blue flight suits of the officers, or the dark blue uniform of the junior Sailors.



Each of these Senior Enlisted leaders volunteers for a three-year tour with the squadron. They ensure day-to-day operations while providing key leadership, guidance, and training to enlisted personnel in the areas of maintenance, logistics, public affairs, and administration.

Our speaker will be Aviation Machinist Mate Senior Chief Dustin Hinton. Senior Chief Hinton hails from Del Norte, Colorado. He enlisted in the Navy in 2000, and began his career in Pensacola, FL. He joined the Blue Angels in October 2018 where he is currently the Quality Assurance Leading Chief Petty Officer.

The Blue Angels training season is coming to a close in just two weeks. This is your last opportunity before air show to meet, greet, and enjoy a T-Bone steak with the Navy's finest before they hit the air show trail. Join us in welcoming the MIBs at our next dinner on Tuesday, March 5th at 6:30 p.m.

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Dustin Hinton
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LSC(AW/SW)
Jairo Guity
Supply
La Ceiba, Honduras

Shuttle Available for March Dinner



NAF El Centro's Base Security Office will have a shuttle to transit our members and guests to the Mirage Club next Tuesday.

The Security Office is standing by to help process your application for your DBIDS access card which will authorize you to drive your vehicle on base for Navy League events.

To apply for your card, download and submit your application with this information:

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- Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

- Closed for lunch 11:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
- *Pass Office is closed on holidays and weekends*

DESERT ROUTING

MARCH 1-2, 2019

**Our biggest event of the year begins tonight.
We are SOLD OUT of all space available, and are expecting a full house!**

We turned 70!

Joining President Ted Gallinat to cut the anniversary cake are representatives from the council's adopted commands—Coast Guard Cutter PETREL, Naval Air Facility El Centro, the U.S. Navy Blue Angels, Naval Munitions Command Detachment El Centro, and Strike Fighter Wing Pacific Maintenance Unit Detachment El Centro.




We were pleased to host Blue Angels Team 2019 at our February dinner. Captain Eric Doyle, Flight Leader of the Blue Angels presented President Ted Gallinat with the first lithograph of the Team's season.



It's (almost) Air Show Time

NAF El Centro **2019**
AIR SHOW
WINGS OVER THE DESERT



MARCH 16, 2019

Naval Air Facility El Centro invites you to its 49th annual air show. Join them as they host this free event, which features a wide variety of military and civilian flight performances that are sure to thrill any aviation enthusiast.

The flight line will also feature static displays of past and present aircraft, a car show, vendors with concessions and air show memorabilia, and plenty of activities for families to enjoy. Explore the flight line and its many attractions, or just sit back and enjoy the show.

The feature attraction will be the U.S. Navy Flight Demonstration Squadron, but you won't want to miss exciting HellCat/BearCat Blue Angel Tribute, John Colver's War Dog, a P51/Zero Dogfight, the F-86 and Mig-15 Dogfight including a Wall of Fire, and many more!

Gates open at 8:00 a.m.

President's Message

We are preparing to kick off our biggest and most important event of the year -- Desert Outing. We are sold out, and have a big task ahead. We couldn't do it without our Navy League volunteers -- and especially without the support of the Naval Air Facility and the Blue Angels.



This event easily funds 90% of everything we do at the council level. One thing we don't like to do, is keep asking our members for money. We try hard not to do that, but occasionally we must -- and we have learned, that by not asking you frequently, you ALWAYS step up when we do ask. THANK you for all you do for us whether you donate your time or your financial resources.

I'm going to keep this short this month, as we have much to do to make final preparation for our weekend event.

I hope you will join us in welcoming the Blue Angels Men (and Women) in Black next Tuesday. Bob Shank, Dean Currie and their team of cooks will have your Brandt Beef T-Bone steak on the BBQ.

Special thanks do go out to Brandt Beef as a sponsor for their \$500 donation to underwrite the dinners of our Sailor Award recipients. Speaking of which, we'll be recognizing some of those outstanding Sailors on Tuesday.

I'm look forward to seeing you!

Ted

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LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO DO?

- [Desert Outing 2019 | March 1-2](#)
- **Blue Angels Men In Black: March 5, 2019 | 6:30 pm**
- [Food Fest | Naval Air Facility El Centro: March 15 | 5:30 pm](#)
- **NAF El Centro Airshow: March 16, 2019**

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