

U.S. NAVAL SEA CADET CORPS

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NSCC INFORMATION LETTER 04-08

From: Deputy Director, U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps (NSCC)

To: Distribution

Subj: **2008 NSCC/NLCC SPRING TRAINING**

Ref: (a) NSCC Information Letter 4-07, 23 February 2007, 2007 NSCC/NLCC Summer Training Schedule
(b) NSCC/NLCC Advancement and Training Manual, Chapter Four
(c) NSCC/NLCC Escort Officer Handbook

1. This is the 2008 NSCC/NLCC Spring Training Schedule. **Due to short lead time and mailing costs, it is only being promulgated on the 1 MC and referenced on COMPASS. Electronic promulgation only.** At paragraph 4 are the dates and locations for 2008 spring training. Additions, deletions, and updates will be posted to the 1 MC and referenced on COMPASS. **Locally arranged training authority orders, NSCTNG 003/004's, will be used for all training** and are to be submitted IAW directions provided for training opportunities in this letter.

For all training:

- Federal Funding support will be available; guidelines for spring training will follow general training guidelines as previously promulgated ref (a).
- Deposits for all trainings are as posted below in para 4, and are nonrefundable. (prices are different due to course lengths and/or cost of course materials). See ref (b) for prerequisites and additional details.
- COTC's are quota control for all training. Unit CO's are to request quotas from COTC's or POC in advance of sending orders and fees, unless otherwise directed.
- ***Fees are to be sent with the NSCTNG 003 directly to the COTC or Point of Contact*** IAW directions provided. COTC's will retain the fees for the conduct of the training and batch forward NSCTNG 003/004's to NHQ after training.
- ***Cashier's check, or money order only, unless other wise specified.***
- Unit CO's ensure cadet preparation (***including medical qualification***) IAW refs (b) and (c).
- **Cadets traveling via commercial carrier should travel in civilian clothes.**

2. Additional general notes: **MOST IMPORTANT; YOU HAVE TO READ THIS!** Some training sites military activities and access is controlled and varies IAW the particular area alert condition in effect. This training schedule is promulgated based on the alert condition currently in effect (date of ltr), with the expectation that alert conditions currently in effect will not change and base access will still be allowed at the time of training. **However, this can change in a moments notice, base access can be denied, or the training location can be changed, or the training cancelled entirely!**

- For all training, Unit CO's must maintain liaison with the COTC right up to the last minute to ensure they and their cadets are aware of any last minute changes or cancellations. Keep checking 1 MC and COMPASS for changes as well.
- For everybody, ensure point of contact information on applications is accurate, clear, and legible. Fill in all blanks, ensure your application is complete.
- If flying, recommend fully refundable tickets AND double check with COTC's to ensure the training location is firm before booking.
- Spring training counts for advancement.

a. All cadets must be under orders. **Locally arranged Training Authority NSCTNG 003 and 004's** are the forms to be used. Don't forget to contact COTC's and get quotas/prior approval unless directed otherwise. COTC's must know that you're coming and how.

b. **ID cards must be up to date through end of training requested.** An expired ID card means that the insurance has also expired, and you cannot train unless enrolled. For all training, unit CO's make a copy of the cadets ID card (side showing expiration date) and attach it to the local training order. That way, everybody will know that cadets are enrolled and insured! Adults/escorts must be properly enrolled as well!

3. **FOR ANY SPRING RECRUIT TRAINING:** The NSCC Recruit Training curriculum approved by Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, IL for NSCC use is; 1) the standard 2 week course 114 hours in length or 2) the approved short course model. For spring training, NSCC will use the short course model. Prerequisite training is detailed ref (b) and prerequisite lessons are on COMPASS. If cadets cannot attend the entire period of training posted in encl (1), wait for 2008 summer recruit training and do not apply for this spring RT training. Additionally:

- **RT Cadets must pass the PRT prior to submitting request. Don't send if unable to pass PRT!**
- **BMR: Cadets are required to complete (be trained in, don't have to complete the entire course) Chapter 1, sections on Hazing, Sexual Harassment, and Fraternalization and Chapters 5, 6, 9, and 10 prior to reporting to recruit training.** These sections and these chapters will provide the cadet with the requisite knowledge needed to complete recruit training. BMR Course 14325 is the current BMR. While formal completion of the entire course is best (required for promotion, all lessons completed), a review and study of these specific chapters and sections at the unit level for new cadets is sufficient for meeting prerequisites for attending RT. The unit CO signature on the request for orders certifies that the cadet is ready for recruit training and that he or she is knowledgeable of these specific sections, chapters, and/or lessons.
- **Prerequisite training by the Unit. See ref (b). It is detailed there and the 12 lessons are posted on COMPASS.** The unit CO signature on the request for orders certifies that the cadet is ready for recruit training and that he or she is knowledgeable of these specific sections, chapters, and/or lessons.

4. Over the Spring and/or Easter break 2008 the following training opportunities are available.

1) **ADVANCED POLA, SCANG TRAINING CENTER, MCCRADY, SCTX. S-LC-SC**

Dates are Wednesday 2 April (arrival) through Sunday 8 April.

Quotas: Cadets – Male: 20 Female: 10
Officers Male 3 Female 3

Deposit: \$150 money orders only, Deadline is MARCH 1ST 2008

COTC: LTjg Tammy Rivera, 120 Pickwick Drive, Columbia, SC 29223 at (803) 462-0186 or cell (803) 622-8708. E-mail is tammyr972@aol.com Training web Page is: www.palmettodivisionseacadets.com . Information for the training staff may be found at www.wayfo.com .

XOTC: INST R. Corley at e-mail: cw4corley@yahoo.com

Prerequisites: Must be 16 before April 2008
Recommended by Unit CO
Motivated to become a leader within the unit
*If candidate is younger, but has strong leadership potential and is above average in maturity, call for possible consideration.

Call or e-mail first to obtain Quota and get reporting instructions.

Remarks: Use locally prepared orders, send NSCTNG 003 w/\$150 to COTC.

Note: This Advanced POLA will be based on the existing NSCC POLA curriculum but supplemented with professional leadership instruction contracted out to “Cougar Quest” instructors. Cougar quest is as advertised below:

Cougar Quest

Cougar Quest is a Nationally recognized training that takes place once-twice a year in Houston, TX. TAKE ACTION NOW to change the attitudes and commitment level of our youth!

Cougar Quest is a 3½ day weekend camp for high school students between 16 and 19 years of age.

This impactful leadership camp is facilitated primarily outdoors.

The camp provides a variety of experiential processes, utilizing both classroom activities, as well as outdoor apparatuses, to accomplish the outcomes.

Cougar Quest is a very powerful camp that challenges young people to step up to their potential.

The camp promotes this learning through processes that are mentally, physically, and emotionally challenging.

Upon graduating from Cougar Quest, teens are empowered to go beyond the "status quo" and create positive outcomes through their own commitment to personal excellence.

Training Description: This Petty Officer Leadership Development Training will also include but is not limited to:

- Inclusion/Diversity Awareness
- Career Opportunities in the Sea Services
- Leadership Development: Roles and Responsibilities
- Counseling
- Goal Setting
- Value Based Team-building
- Customs, Traditions, Honors, & Ceremonies
- Service Etiquette
- Academic Analysis
- Short/Long Term memory Association
- Language Techniques/Public Speaking
- Communications/Presentations
- Evaluating Personal Effectiveness
- Identification of Strengths and Weaknesses
- Focusing Techniques

The deposit is higher than other trainings because of the contract cost of affording this training opportunity to NSCC Sea Cadets. Several cadets and officers of the hosting unit (Palmetto Division) have attended at their own personal expense, and concluded this to be exceptional training.

CALL COTC FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND FOR YOUR QUOTA IF YOU WANT TO BE A PART OF THIS PILOT PROGRAM!

2) SURGICAL TECHNICIAN TRAINING AT BALBOA NAVAL HOSPITAL, SAN DIEGO, CA S-MD-CA

Dates are check in Sunday 23 March through Graduation Sunday 30 March, 2008. Check with COTC for reporting instructions and release time Sunday 30 March. COTC e-mail is jrychnovsky@cox.net . Phones is (619) 532-8234

Deposit: \$80

Quotas: Cadets Male: 20 Female: 20
 Officers Male 4 Female 4

COTC: CDR Jacqueline Rychnovsky, NC, USN. Mail local orders and payment to 3417 Albert Street, San Diego, CA 92103-5103

POC: COTC, CDR Jacqueline Rychnovsky, email jrychnovsky@cox.net

E-mail COTC first to obtain quota and confirm reporting instructions. Early check-in on Saturday night 22 March (if needed to decrease the price of airline tickets) MUST be prearranged with the COTC.

Remarks: This is an advanced training and credible towards advancement. Use locally prepared orders, send NSCTNG 003 w/\$80 to COTC after obtaining quota. Surgical training is a hands-on laboratory experience. Cadets are required at all times to present themselves as mature and self-controlled. You will see sights in this training you are unaccustomed to, and you will be practicing much of what you learn on actual tissues and organ specimens under the direction of qualified individuals. **If you do not like the sight of blood, or if you are queasy and faint easily, this is not the training for you!** There will be classroom and hands-on learning in a wide variety of topics, including Neurology, Cardiology, Ophthalmology, suturing, patient assessment, and surgical preparation procedures. You will have the opportunity to experience the dissection of a cadaver. We will also have a Career Night banquet, where you will meet medical professionals such as nurses, doctors, general hospital corpsmen, and corpsmen who have achieved advanced certification and work in specialty fields. There will also be time for recreation and socialization.

Location: Naval Medical Center San Diego

Prerequisites and qualifications: E3 and above, age 15 ½ and above. At a minimum, must be enrolled in, or have completed high school biology.

Preference given to high school juniors and seniors.

Adult leaders needed as Company Officers. This position requires strong leadership skills and ability to work with others. Adult leaders do not need to have a medical background, as all instruction for this course will be completed by Naval Medical Center San Diego personnel. If interested, contact COTC.

CALL COTC FOR YOUR QUOTA!

3. SEAMANSHIP TRAINING - LAKE MEAD NATIONAL RECREATION AREA, S-NH-NV

Dates: 14 - 22 March 2008

Website: <http://www.seacadets.org/lakemead>

Deposit: \$300

Numbers: 10 male cadets and 3 escorts

COTC: LCDR Andy Munoz, E-mail: amunoz@seacadets.org; phone (626) 372-5088

Remarks: Use locally prepared orders, send NSCTNG 003 w/\$350 to COTC after obtaining quota. This is General Seamanship Training underway on Lake Mead, NV. Training will focus on small boat handling, recreational boating safety, navigation, and boat crew operations. This training will utilize a 56 foot, 13-man, houseboat from chartered from Seven Crown Resort. Cadets successfully completing this course will be eligible for State Certification in Small Boat Handling. Go to website and read SEAMANSHIP TRAINING LAKE MEAD NOTICE 5760 dtd 1 Jan 2008 for billet descriptions and duties and responsibilities!

Applications. Crew members will be selected through a selection board process mid to late February 2008. Applications are now available on the training command web site. Original applications must be RECEIVED by mail no later than 15 February 2008. Details are provided in the application information letter.

Contact COTC for additional details and to get quota.

5. This information letter is cancelled effective 1 May 2008.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Nyland', with a stylized flourish at the end.

H.J. Nyland

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