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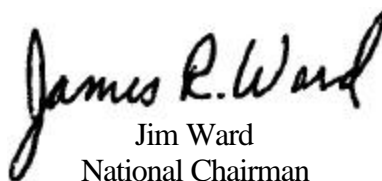
It is important that each year at this time we establish goals to focus and channel out efforts for the current year. While I appreciate the growth of the NLCC and NSCC programs this past year, a number of the 2002 goals were only partially met and thus need to be continued during 2003.

While last year's goals were challenging, I believe they were necessary and achievable had all worked to attain them. Enclosure (1) is the 2003 road map to improve our program. Enclosure (2) provides the annual "State of the Corps" report.

I gratefully thank and applaud those who met the 2002 goals. I truly appreciate the efforts of all who honestly tried to meet the goals, but may have missed the mark.

But, I'm disappointed with those who did not take steps to meet the established goals. We still have far too many units with only one or two adult leaders. We still have too many commands that do not yet meet the modest long-standing minimum membership numbers of 15 League cadets or 25 Sea Cadets. It's interesting to see how many relatively small communities meet the modest standard, while some larger communities cannot achieve minimum numbers and some units in good size communities barely survive.

As I indicated last year, only through action can these important goals be accomplished. I plead with all of you to take steps NOW to achieve the 2003 goals.


Jim Ward
National Chairman

It is for the CADETS!

Enclosure (1) Program Goals – 2003
(2) State of the Corps

PROGRAM GOALS – 2003

Commanding Officers Goals

During 2003, take steps to have units meet minimum cadet membership numbers (25 Sea Cadets – 15 League Cadets) by calendar years end. Increase adult Officer and Instructor Membership. Encourage Cadet parents to actively participate in unit activities. Recognize outstanding Cadets and adult members through the established recognition programs and Cadet scholarship opportunities.

Region Directors Goals

During 2003, monitor unit Commanding Officers efforts to meet minimum cadet membership numbers and to increase the number of adult Officers and Instructors and expect them to periodically report their progress to you. Regional Directors are expected to develop and implement their own pro-active programs to create additional NSCC and NLCC units, especially in larger population centers that could reasonably be expected to support multiple units. Recognize outstanding Commanding Officers.

Field Representative Goals

During 2003, actively encourage Region Directors to initiate steps to assure that Region units achieve the minimum required cadet numbers and increased adult leader. Assure that Regional Directors fully understand their responsibility to establish new units within their sub-regions. Encourage establishment of League Cadet programs in major population centers and locales that have ROTC and JROTC programs to support these programs and to set the stage for future Sea Cadet units. In addition to unit leadership, Field Representatives should develop a cadre of adults, who may be available only during summer months, to provide adequate adult leadership for summer training programs. Recognize outstanding Region Directors.

General Goals

Where possible, participate in periodic Region and/or sub-Region gatherings to adult leaders and experienced cadets to discuss problems, develop, solutions and identify new opportunities to improve NSCC and NLCC programs.

Plan, execute and publicize special local events to help communities become more aware of the existence and values of the Sea Cadet program and to attain recognition of the achievement of unit cadets. Encourage community and business leaders, unit sponsors and elected officials to participate in these special programs.

STATE OF THE NSCC

Program Strength

The NSCC reached another high in total enrollment at the end of 2002. Enrolled strength is as follows:

Officers	916
Midshipmen	111
Active/Reserves	137
Instructors	943
Total	2107

Cadets	
NSCC	6732
NLCC	2738
Total	9470

There are 338 units in the program. 262 of these are NSCC units; 76 are NLCC units.

Training

This year over 6000 sets of nationally written orders were executed. In addition to this, there were over 1300 locally written orders executed. This includes the recently completed winter training in California and in Connecticut. This is approximately 2200 more set of orders executed this year than in prior years w/o federal funding.

- NSCC recruit training was conducted at 16 sites. Over 2300 cadets received recruit training. This is slightly above 2001, but 600 more than prior years w/o federal funding.
- NLCC orientation was conducted at 16 sites. Over 1200 cadets participated this year. This was about 75 more than last year and approximately 500 more than in prior years w/o federal funding.
- A total of over 110 training opportunities were conducted at 50 sites.

The challenge this year will be to find enough advanced training to accommodate our advance training requirements.

Over 50 cadets were advanced to CPO.

Enclosure (2)