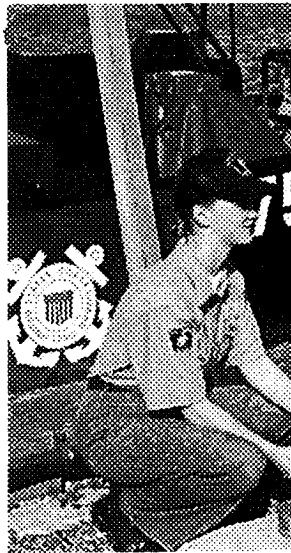
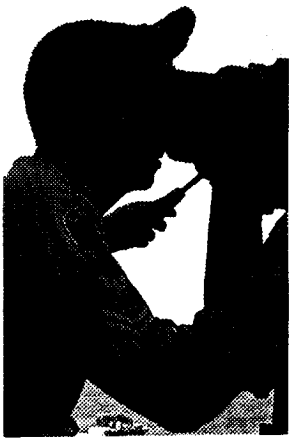




U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps



It's an Adventure

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The Challenge

Through sponsorship of the Naval Sea Cadet Corps and the Navy League Cadet Corps, the Navy League is making an important investment in youth, the future leaders of our country. This is an investment that will be returned to us many fold in the years to come.




The Cadet Corps organizations are superb motivational youth programs that attain unparalleled success

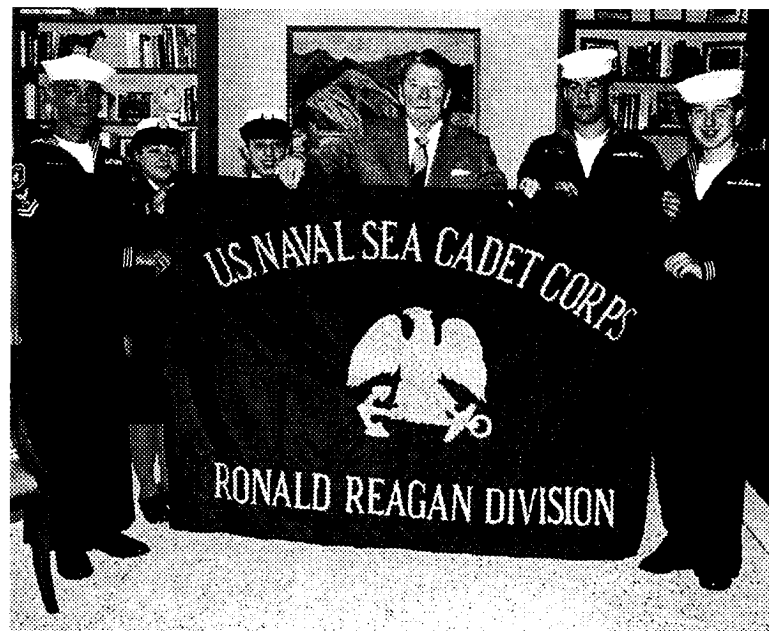
in helping young people make that sometimes difficult transition from “teenager to responsible young adult.” The success these programs enjoy reflects the emphasis placed on personal development as well as a welcome, wholesome alternative to the lifestyle engendered by substance abuse and gangs. There is no other national youth program more oriented to demonstrating that properly directed discipline, combined with emphasis on the core values of Honor, Courage, and Commitment will, and does, make a difference.

The Cadet Corps programs further Navy League educational goals through developing youth appreciation of our Sea Services and their role in national defense. Equally important, the programs permit young men and women to become familiar with the

many career opportunities available to them should they decide to enlist or to enter an officer-training program.

These outstanding programs are “your youth programs,” and deserving of your fullest support. I ask that you “make it so.”


Jack M. Kennedy
National President



INTRODUCTION

The Cadet Corps programs include two separate Corps: the Naval Sea Cadet Corps (NSCC) and the Navy League Cadet Corps (NLCC). The NSCC is for young men and women ages 13 through 17, is a federally chartered non-profit educational organization sponsored by the Navy League, and is supported by the Department of the Navy and the Coast Guard. The NLCC is for boys and girls ages 11 through 13. It is a junior, or supportive, program which is sponsored by the Navy League.

Policy and guidance for the operation and administration of the Cadet Corps programs are established by a National Board of Directors whose members are appointed by the National President of the Navy League. The Board is headed by a Chairman who normally also serves as a Vice President of the Navy League. The Vice Chairman of the Board also serves as the National President of NSCC and NLCC, assisted by National Vice Presidents and National Directors. A full-time Executive Director and a small staff administer the Cadet Corps programs.

HISTORY

Sea Cadet Corps programs exist in most of the maritime countries of the world: Canada, Great Britain, Belgium, Bermuda, and Japan, to name a few. In 1958, the Department of the Navy asked the Navy League to sponsor a sea cadet program for America's youth; the Navy League accepted the challenge. The intent was to "create a favorable image of the Navy on the part of the American youth." In September 1962, the Naval Sea Cadet Corps was federally chartered by Congress under Public Law 87-655 as a non-profit civilian organization. This law established the NSCC as a legal entity and set forth the purpose, objectives, corporate powers, and other enabling details for the functioning of NSCC.

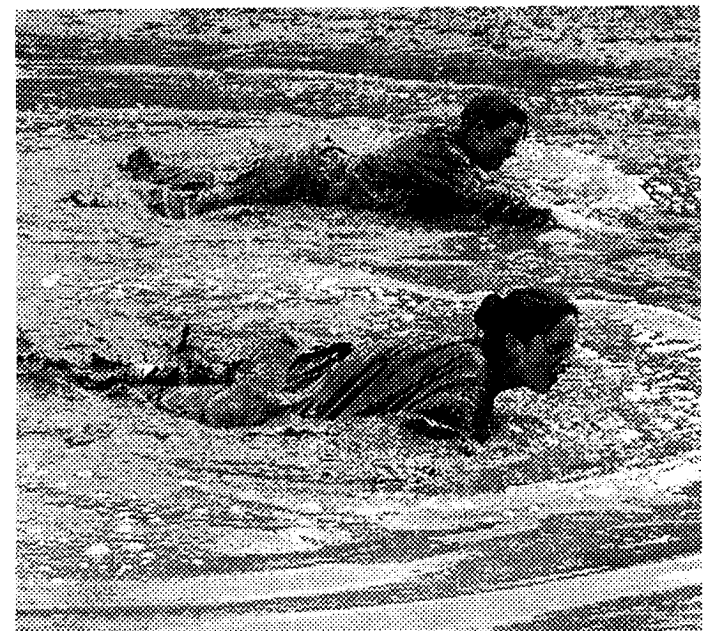
OBJECTIVES

Goals of the NSCC are (1) "to build in every cadet a sense of patriotism, courage, self-reliance, confidence, and similar qualities which will mold good character and citizenship, thus boosting the quality of our nation's manpower; (2) to develop an inter-



est and skill in seamanship and seagoing subjects; (3) to instill in cadets an appreciation of our Navy's history, customs, traditions and the importance of the modern Navy as an essential element of America's defense team; (4) to increase the advancement potential of cadets who may later elect to serve in the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and Merchant Marine; (5) and to make cadets aware of the prestige of a military career."

Goals of the NLCC are "...to give young people mental, moral and physical training, through naval and other related instruction, with the object of developing principles of patriotism and of good citizenship, and of instilling in them a sense of duty, self-respect and a respect for others."



BENEFITS

In addition to personal development, there are certain other benefits which accrue to young people through participation in Cadet Corps programs.

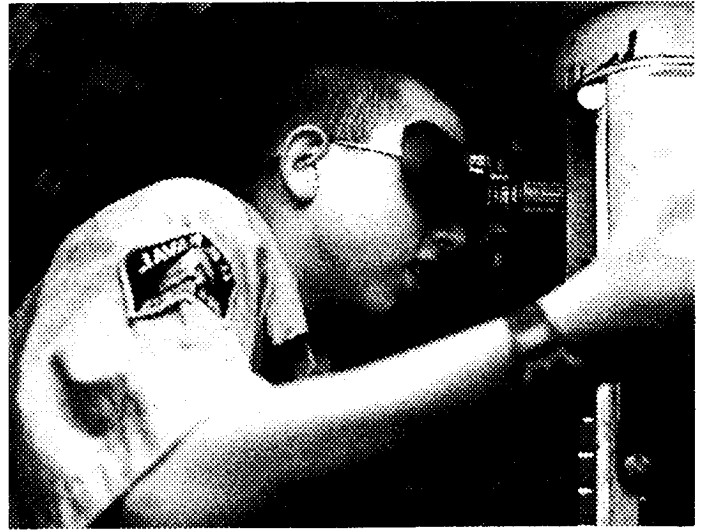
First, and most important, is familiarization with the military. Many young people enter the military without a full realization of the commitment involved. The Cadet Corps programs allow young people to sample military life while in school without any obligation to join any branch of the armed forces. A young person who has been a Sea Cadet for several years understands what life in the Navy or Coast Guard will be like, and there is little likelihood that the cadet will be a malcontent or discipli-



nary problem. In addition, should a cadet decide to enlist in either the Navy, Coast Guard, or Marine Corps, the cadet's record may permit enlistment at an advanced paygrade.

A benefit of particular importance is the opportunity to compete for numerous scholarships for those cadets who are continuing their education at the college level. Since 1975, many cadets have received financial assistance as they continue their education in their chosen career fields.

Cadets and adult leaders are authorized by the Secretary of the Navy to wear the Navy Uniform appropriately modified by Naval Sea Cadet Corps insignia. The modifications clearly identify the wearer as a member of the Naval Sea Cadet Corps; the uniform is worn with pride knowing it is basically the same uniform as that worn by personnel of the Navy.



NSCC/NLCC TRAINING

NSCC Training is authorized aboard Navy and Coast Guard ships and at shore activities of the Navy, Coast Guard, Army or Marine Corps. Training is conducted by qualified NSCC officers and military instructors from all branches of the service. In addition to classroom and on-the-job training, cadets receive instruction in moral guidance, social amenities, water safety, drug/alcohol abuse, and Navy customs and traditions, among other subjects. Cadets are also given presentations on civilian and military career opportunities during special career counseling sessions.

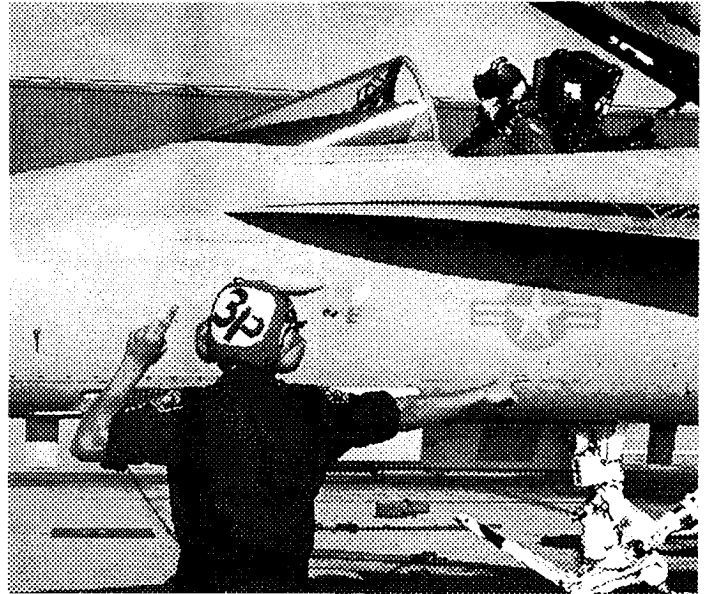
Sea Cadet recruits (E-1) attend a two-week recruit training (TWT) period during their first summer at the Navy's Recruit Training Command, located at Great Lakes or at one of the regional training sites. Instructed by active duty or reserve Navy company commanders, or NSCC officers, cadets receive a condensed version of the basic training given Navy enlistees. The vast majority of cadets enter the training with a certain amount of trepidation; however, they emerge with increased self-discipline and justifiable pride in their accomplishments.

A Sea Cadet who successfully completes recruit training and certain other requirements may be advanced to the E-2 rate of seaman/fireman/airman/constructionman apprentice. As cadets advance in rank, they are eligible to take part in advanced training in their field of choice. SEAL (Sea-Air-Land) training is the most popular; but airman school, submarine orientation, and training in other naval occupational specialties also find an enthusiastic following. In addition, cadets have an

opportunity to experience "hands-on" training aboard naval vessels ranging from tugboats to nuclear-powered aircraft carriers. Female cadets may also participate in training on most ships like their male counterparts. Onboard, cadets receive instruction in damage control, fire fighting, basic seamanship, and other nautical skills. A cadet, upon completion of advanced training, may be advanced to NSCC E-3 in the appropriate rating field.

NSCC also has international exchange programs with Canada, Belgium, Bermuda, Great Britain, Sweden, Japan, and the Netherlands. Each summer, outstanding cadets are selected to serve as young ambassadors and to train with their foreign counterparts.

The NLCC Training Program is designed to teach the younger League Cadets the virtues of personal neatness, loyalty, obedience, courtesy, dependability, and a sense of responsibility for their shipmates. Unlike the older Sea Cadets, League Cadets are not authorized extended training aboard Navy or Coast Guard ships nor embark in Navy or Coast Guard aircraft. However, training facilities provided Sea Cadets at shore activities may be used in League Cadet training. League Cadets are trained in accordance with a Navy-oriented syllabus designed to prepare them for the higher level of training they will receive as Naval Sea Cadets. Specifically designed for the 11-to-13 year age group, the NLCC

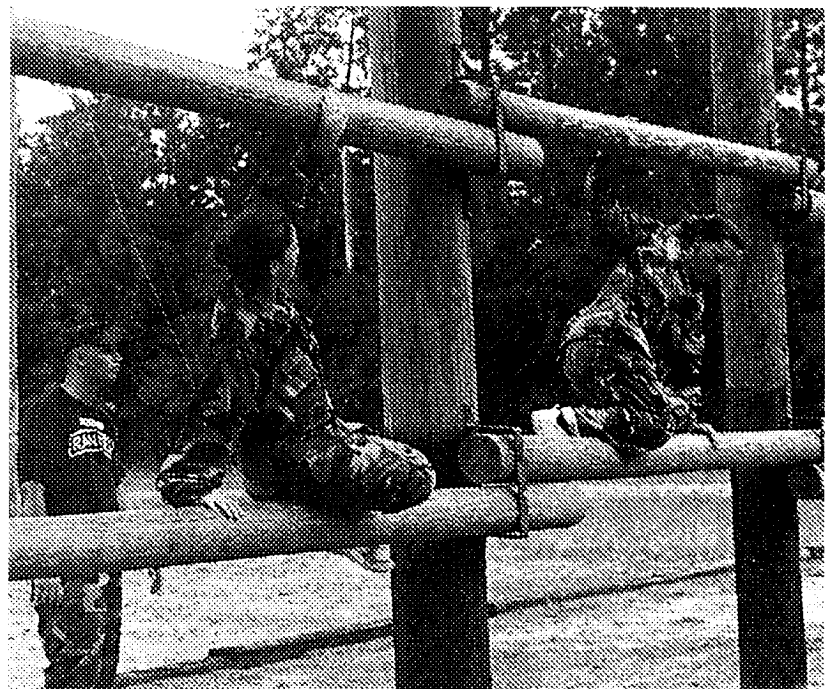


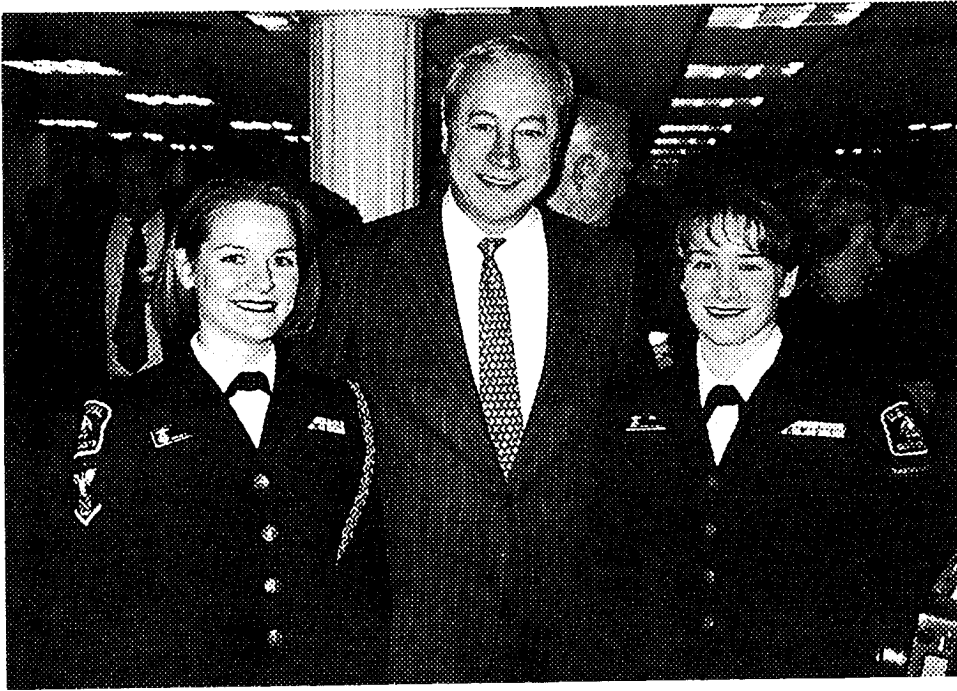
program focuses on military drill, first aid, water safety, basic seamanship, and physical fitness to enhance mental alertness and self-reliance.

The recruit orientation programs conducted during the summer months offer valuable training to increasing numbers of young people enrolled in the NLCC program.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE CADET PROGRAMS

The Cadet Corps programs afford equal opportunity to all American youth to participate without regard to race, religion, or sex. Naval Sea Cadet Corps





2. Must be at least 21 years of age, but normally less than 55;
3. Must pass a physical examination and be certified as fit to carry out assigned duties; and
4. Must have an understanding of youth and an interest and experience in their training.

SUPPORT BY THE NAVY AND COAST GUARD

The Navy supports the NSCC to the extent possible, within limits of available resources, and to the extent that this support does not interfere with its

membership requires that prospective cadets:

1. Pass a qualifying physical examination.
2. Have parental approval.
3. Be ages 13 through 17.
4. Be full-time students in a public, private, or home-schooled program and be recommended by their principal or counselor in a state-authorized program.

Navy League Cadet Corps membership qualifications are the same except that applicants must have reached their 11th, but not their 14th birthday.

THE NSCC OFFICER CORPS

Without doubt, the key element in the Cadet Corps programs is the NSCC Officer Corps, the adult leaders who willingly give their time and effort to serve in this very worthwhile program. Without their dedicated, active participation the Naval Sea Cadet Corps could not continue to serve American youth. Cadet Corps officers may be civilians or military personnel of any rank or paygrade (active duty, reserve, or retired).

Appointment as an officer in the Cadet Corps does not, in itself, confer any military rank nor do Cadet Corps officers receive any pay. Officers wear a modified Navy uniform with special NSCC identification as approved by the Secretary of the Navy.

Basic qualifications for officer appointments follow:

1. Must be in good standing in the community;

assigned military mission. Commander, Navy Recruiting Command acts as the Navy support coordinator for the NSCC program and is responsible for preparation of instructions to all commands concerning their responsibilities in providing this support. Navy support covers a range too wide for enumeration; but includes such things as textbooks, training aids, and berthing and messing facilities and, under certain circumstances, orientation, surplus uniforms, etc. Coast Guard support generally parallels that of the Navy, with both services urging their personnel to actively participate in the Cadet

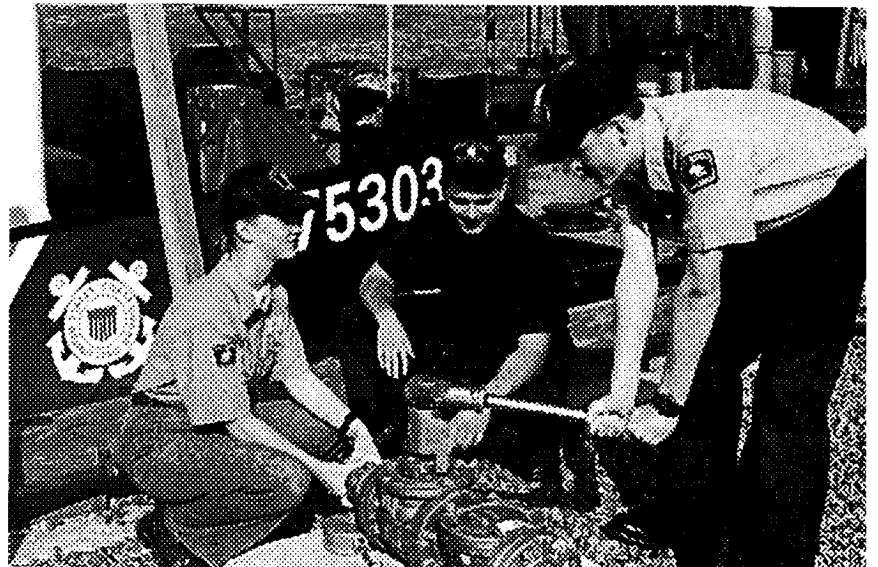




Corps programs either as officers, instructors, or lecturers.

The value of NSCC to the Navy is reflected in the following comments by ADM Jay L. Johnson, USN, Chief of Naval Operations: "Our nation's youth deserve the best care and guidance we can give them. The U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps (NSCC) helps fulfill that goal by providing critical mentorship, training, and leadership opportunities to young people enabling them to reach their fullest potential."

ADM Kramek, former USCG Commandant, stated, "The Sea Cadet Corps has a solid record of successfully training our nation's youth in positive leadership, personal discipline, and dedicated service. I applaud your impressive record of preparing these fine young men and women to be responsible citizens. In addition, I very much appreciate the tremendous support Coast Guard units nationwide receive from the augmentation by Sea Cadets each year. They display unusual maturity and professionalism beyond their years. I salute your many accomplishments."



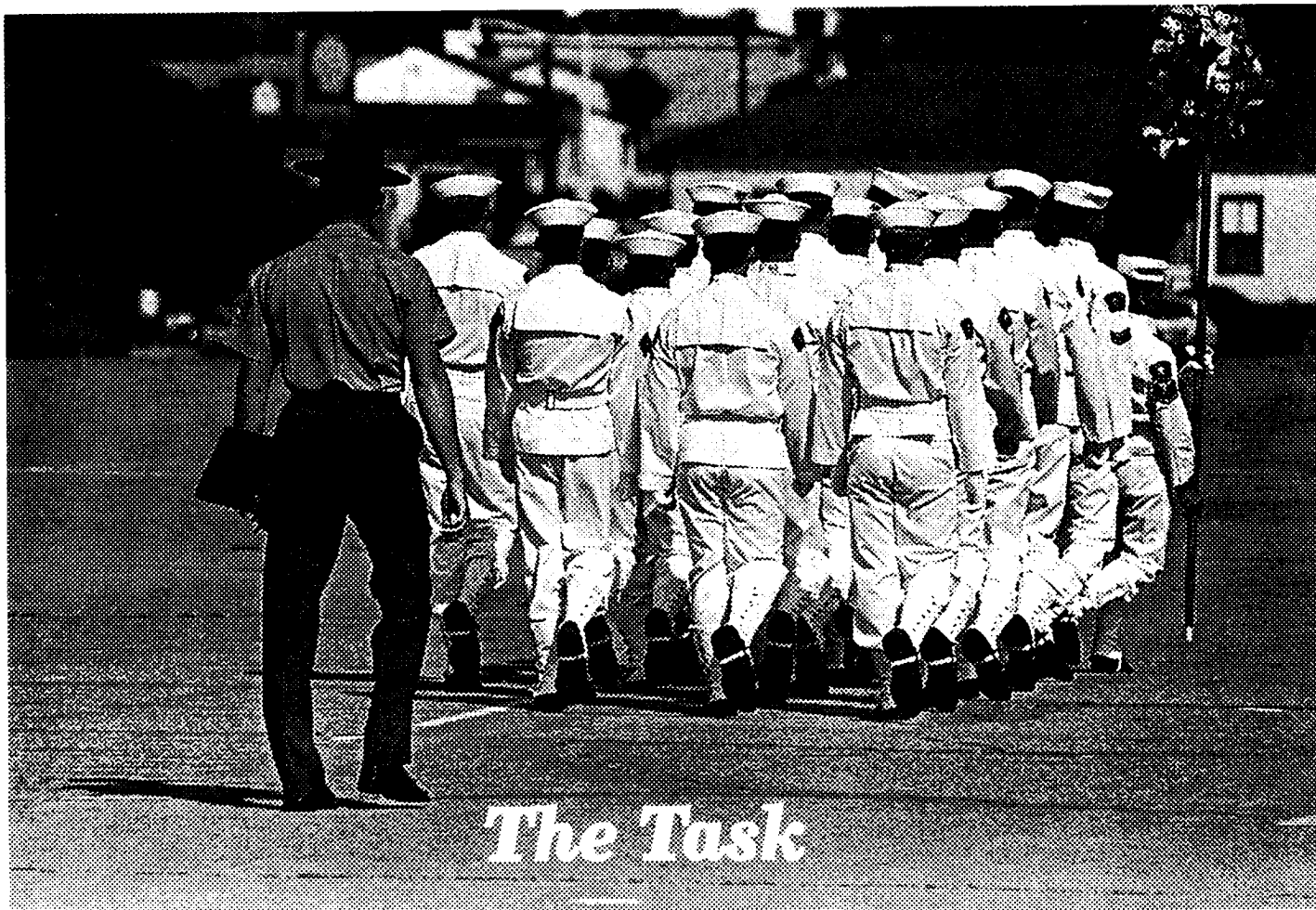
is important that sponsoring organizations understand that this commitment, once undertaken, is a continuing one: it does not end when the unit is commissioned.

There is a continuing need for both moral and financial support without which the unit cannot attain its full training potential. Neither requirement can be measured finitely; but the strongest units are those where the membership of the sponsoring organization is directly and actively involved in unit activities and functions, and where financial support is provided on a sustaining basis.

The satisfaction of knowing that your organization sponsors a program that will help youth bridge the gap between childhood and adulthood, and make them better citizens, is a major contribution to the future strength of the US in the next millennium.

SPONSORSHIP OF UNITS

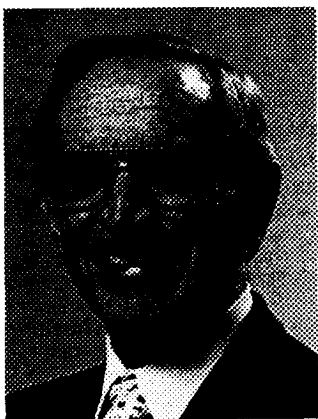
Cadet Corps units are sponsored by local Navy League Councils and organizations such as the Fleet Reserve Association, the VFW, and the American Legion. Most recently, public and private schools have sponsored both Sea and League Cadet units. It



The Task

The Naval Sea Cadet Corps and Navy League Cadet Corps are dynamic programs which continue to reach record levels in both enrollment and in cadet/adult leader participation. At present, there

are 250 units in operation with an enrollment of over 9,000 cadets and adult leaders, moving toward an enrollment goal of 12,000 to mark the Navy League's Centennial Year-2002 and the Naval Sea Cadets 40th anniversary. The training program provides increasing numbers of cadets and



officers with challenging and meaningful training opportunities; this number is increasing at a rate commensurate with enrollment growth. Our task is to sustain the momentum the Cadet Corps programs have developed, and to attain program growth through excellence in all phases of training.

The essential elements this task includes are:

- Increasing program support by Navy League Councils and other sponsoring organizations,
- Continuing development of a professional, competent officer corps in the numbers needed to sustain program growth,
- Continuing expansion and diversification of all phases of training, particularly the summer training program, and
- Sustaining the growing sense of Pride in self, unit, and in the privilege of being a member of the nation's "premier" youth training organization.

Meeting the challenge of this task is an "all-hands" evolution. I ask each of you to join in this most worthwhile endeavor.

K. T. Weaver
Chairman, NSCC Advisory