



The National War College Spouses' Club Newsletter

September 2010

Commandant's Corner

Welcome Class of 2011 NWC Spouses! Dee and I are very happy to wish all of you an awesome year ahead.

Your spouses are part of an elite group that has been chosen to attend this college. They are an important part of our nation's future and even that of other nations. The class of 2011, with 221 students, includes 34 International Fellows, professionals from several government agencies and all our American military services. The breadth of experience of this mix of military, civilian and international students creates a unique opportunity for a rich learning environment. Your spouses, and indeed you yourselves, will be able to understand the people who will be making government policy in the future. You can also forge international friendships that will last a lifetime. You determine your own level of participation and involvement!

Dee and I thank all of you who have volunteered to step up to the Spouse Club Board positions. Your spirit and enthusiasm will surely influence others to get involved in this special year. Dee looks forward to working with you!

We invite all of you to enjoy and contribute your ideas to the monthly meetings where the plans for your fun year are formulated. Also, please take advantage of the tours, activities and adventures that lie ahead! You all have my full support.

This is *your* year and *your* college so it will be what *you* make of it! All the best for a wonderful year!

Welcome to each and every one of you!

Sincerely,

Bob and Dee Steel

Maj. Gen Bob Steel
Commandant, NWC

Dee Steel
NWCSC Advisor

** The NWCSC Tours & Reservations committee is a wonderful resource for additional ideas for things to do and places to visit in the DC area in addition to the organized tours listed.*



Spouse Club Tours Monuments by Moonlight

The National War College Spouse's Club (NWCSC) will be organizing several tours* throughout the year beginning with a Monuments by Moonlight tour on September 25 at 7:30pm. Washington DC's spectacular monuments at night are not to be missed. Cost is \$31.50 per person. RSVPs are needed by **September 17**. (See details & order form on page 5).

White House Holiday Tour

Just before Christmas, visitors can tour the White House to enjoy the holiday decorations. This popular tour requires advance ticket requests. We are requesting tickets for sometime between November 30 & Dec 4. (there is no guarantee on dates or tickets). RSVPs are needed by **September 17**. Check the order form on page 6 for additional information you will need to provide when signing up.

The Point of contact for both tours is Pauline Arredondo at 858-442-9478 or inmanarredondo@hotmail.com

(Additional details & order forms for tours on pages 5-6)

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Spouse Club President's Message

Welcome Spouses to the 2010-2011 National War College Spouses Club! I am looking forward to a very exciting year. The main purpose of our group is to enhance the experience of your year here in DC. We have many ways in which you can do that—for example you can audit an academic class or attend one of the many tours the spouses groups will offer. We have a wonderful dedicated board of volunteers to help make this year fun for everyone. Please stop by our next meeting on Thursday, October 7, 2010 in Room 120 at the NWC Roosevelt Hall.

I wish to give a special thank you to Major General and Mrs. Steel for a wonderful welcome orientation and reception last month. It was a great opportunity to hear all that is available to us as spouses and to become involved in many ways.

Once again I look forward to meeting you and enjoying our time here in DC. Hope to see you at the next meeting on the first Thursday of October.

Regards,
Rhonda Chozinski
NWCSC President

Spouses National Security Studies Overview Course

Classes for spouses begin this week starting with the National Security Studies Overview Course on Wednesday, September 15. Classes will be held each Wednesday from 1200-1315 in the Roosevelt Hall Auditorium.

Each session is self-contained. Come as you are able and your calendar permits...you *don't* have to make every session! If you need to come a bit late or leave a bit early, not to worry. You are ALWAYS welcome! You do not need to RSVP or notify anyone in advance that you are coming. Just show up!

NWC Spouses are also permitted to audit electives on a space available basis. Additional information regarding electives may be sent out in a future email or you can contact Colonel Courtney Duscharme at ducharmec@ndu.edu.

For more information regarding fall classes for spouses including the schedule, parking and other details see the earlier email from Colonel Duscharme which she sent to students and spouses.

This Fall from Ways and Means...

We have two great gift ideas that also support the NWCSC! To order these gifts fill out the order forms found towards the back of this newsletter.

The National War College Throw!

A wonderful memento of your time at the War College...featuring a full picture of the college with colorful crest, this custom designed throw is a wonderful accent to any room and makes a perfect gift for anyone!

100% cotton pre-washed 50"x70" fully fringed throw

Offered at \$40.00. Orders due October 15.

2010 White House Christmas Ornament

The White House Christmas ornament honors the administration of William McKinley (1897–1901), twenty-fifth president of the United States, and celebrates the role of music in the traditions of the White House. The 2010 Ornament features colorful scenes from the annual Army Navy Reception at the White House in 1900.

Offered at \$18.00. Orders due November 19.



SpICE News

Spouse's International Cultural Exchange

The Spouse's International Cultural Exchange (SpICE) Program is a loose knit, all volunteer organization that allows members of NDU's International Community the opportunity for social interaction with each other as well as American citizens in a supportive, non threatening environment. The purpose of the group is to learn a little bit about one another, make friends and have fun.

We meet on Thursday mornings 9:30 - 11:30 am. Meetings are held in an informal and relaxed manner and dress is casual. Advance notice will be given for special on and off site activities. Participation is on a strictly voluntary basis and is open to family members of NDU's International Community, as well as American citizens.

The SpICE Program offers people from very diverse backgrounds and cultures the opportunity to learn from and about one another while getting to know each other as people through general conversation, various team building exercises and other types of cross cultural exchange. Participants will also have the opportunity to learn about each other's families, countries, customs, dress, foods, holiday traditions and so forth. This two-way conduit of open communication is based on mutual respect, honesty, trust, camaraderie and friendship. The SpICE Program IS NOT an ESOL class (English for Speakers of Other Languages class).

For more on SpICE pull up our web site at:

<http://users.rcn.com/rjhoffer/index.html>



SpICE Coming Events

September 16—SpIce Meeting—We Begin

September 23— Breaking the Ice

September 30 - SpICE mtg "Playing with Idioms"

October 7— SpICE meeting off-site.

Bowling at Ft. Myer

October 14 - Walking tour of Ft. McNair

October 21 - Learn about New York, New York & Orlando

NWC Spouse Club Calendar

NWCSC Meetings	First Thursday of each month—next mtg on October 7 12 noon—1:15 pm Room 120
SpICE Meetings	every Thursday 9:30 am—11:30 am
September 15	Spouse classes begin
September 17	RSVP for upcoming tours—Monuments by Midnight & the White House Holiday tour
September 25	Monuments by Moonlight Tour
October 1	5 K Run NWC vs. ICAF
October-date TBA	Oktoberfest
October 15	NWC Throw orders due
November 19	White House Ornaments orders due

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Visit our Spouse Club table
at the Oktoberfest Celebration.
Look for more details soon.

NDUF Volunteer Program for Spouses

The National Defense University Foundation (NDUF) offers volunteer opportunities for spouses of students in a variety of educational, outreach and fundraising programs that directly support the National Defense University. Volunteer opportunities include helping with retail sales in the bookstore and Office administration support.

If you would like to volunteer or want more information contact Nancy Miller at millern@nduf.org

**Special incentive offer:
Volunteer for 50 hours and earn two tickets to the American Patriot Award Gala
—limited availability—first come basis—*

5k Run / Walk

NWC vs. ICAF

Friday, October 1

There will be two heats; the first heat is the competitive race between ICAF and NWC starting at 1215, with the second heat being all others who wish to run / walk that day starting at 1245.

A picnic lunch and social will follow after the race.

Army Officers' Wives' Club Greater Washington Area

The Army Officer's Wives' Club of the Greater Washington Area (AOWCGWA) would like to reach out to NWC spouses who may want to join them while living in the DC area. They welcome members from all services. Luncheons are held on the third Thursday of each month at Ft Myer. You can find more information by visiting their website AOWCGWA.org or contacting Barbara Willey at aowcgwapres@gmail.com

National War College Spouses

Monuments



by Moonlight

Washington DC's spectacular monuments at night are not to be missed on this 2 ½ hour fully narrated tour. With three stops: at the Jefferson Memorial, the Lincoln Memorial, and the Iwo Jima Memorial. The Lincoln Memorial stop also serves the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial and the Korean War Veteran's Memorial.

Saturday, September 25, 2010
7:30 till 10 P.M.
Trolley departs from Union Station
Cost is \$31.70 per person
R.S.V.P by Friday September 17, 2010 to
Pauline Arredondo at 858-442-9478 or

inmanarredondo@hotmail.com

Submit cash or check payable to NWCSC along with the form below to NWCSC mailbox in Roosevelt Hall.

RSVP Deadline September 17, 2010

Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

Number of Tickets: Adult: _____ @ \$31.70 per person

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

We look forward to seeing!!!

National War College Spouse White House Holiday Tour



We will be requesting (no guarantee on dates or tickets) the following dates for a tour:
November 30
December 1, 2, 3, and 4
All information is needed by September 17, 2010 and is open to family members.

For the tour we will need the following information from each person who would like to attend:

- Full name (first, middle, and last) must match your ID or pass port
- Gender
- Date of Birth
- Social Security #
- City and State of current residence
- U.S. Citizen (yes or no)
- Place of Birth (country Code) if you do not know the country code please write the country name
- Passport # (only if the individual is not a U.S. citizen or resident)

Attendees under 13 years old only need to provide the following security information:

- Full name (first, middle, and last)
- Date of birth
- Country of citizenship (country code)

Please do not submit any of this information via email. Please turn in your information to Tina Proctor: Roosevelt Hall A-112 (in the annex) or call Pauline Arredondo at 703-498-8519. **Deadline September 17, 2010.**

Please submit your ticket request as soon as possible. Once tickets have been secured, they will be distributed in the order ticket requests were received.

If you have any questions please call Pauline Arredondo at 858-442-9478 or email her at inmanarredondo@hotmail.com

Name First _____ Middle _____

Last _____

Gender F/M _____ Date of Birth (M/D/Year) _____

SS# _____

City and State of current residence _____ U.S. Citizen (Y/N) _____

Place of Birth (country) _____ Passport # (only if not a U.S. Citizen) _____

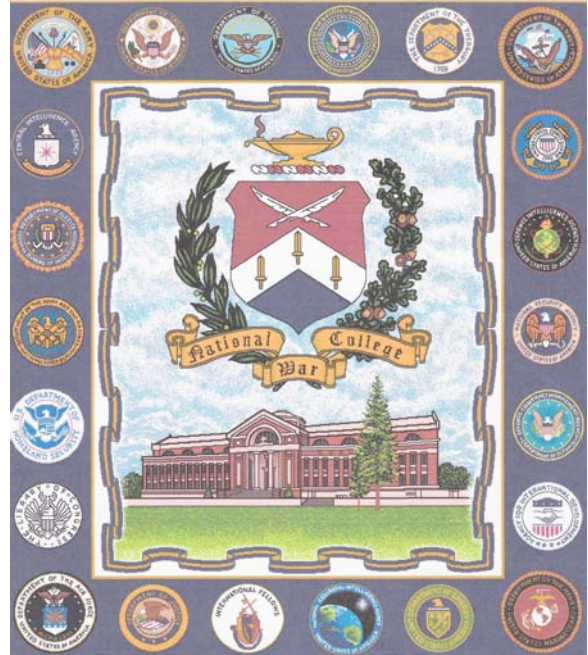


**Order
Deadline
Friday,
15 Oct 2010**

National War College Afghan

This 100% pre-washed cotton
50"x70" fully fringed throw
features a full picture of
Roosevelt Hall along with
the NWC's crest

A wonderful accent to any
room and makes a perfect gift
for family and friends



Payment: \$40

Acceptable forms of payment:

1. Cash Payment
2. Check made payable to: National War College Spouses Club (NWCSC)

Please place your payment with this form in an envelope marked "NWCSC White House Ornament" and drop in the NWCSC mailbox located with the student mailboxes.

Student Name: _____

Spouse Name: _____

NDU email: _____

Committee Number: _____

Home Phone: _____

Quantity Ordered: _____ x \$40 = _____ Total

NWCSC use only:

Received Cash Amt: _____ Check # _____ & Amt _____

Receipt emailed or given to customer: _____

Questions: Contact Lori Frontera via email nwcspouseclub@yahoo.com

**Order
Deadline
Friday,
19 Nov 2010**

Official 2010 White House Ornament



FRONT

Ornament comes in a beautiful lined box.

Makes a perfect gift.

Order will arrive in time to be shipped for the holidays



BACK

Payment: \$18

Acceptable forms of payment:

1. Cash Payment
2. Check made payable to: National War College Spouses Club (NWCSC)

Please place your payment with this form in an envelope marked "NWCSC White House Ornament" and drop in the NWCSC mailbox located with the student mailboxes.

Student Name: _____

Spouse Name: _____

NDU email: _____

Committee Number: _____

Home Phone: _____

Quantity Ordered: _____ x \$18 = _____ Total

NWCSC use only:

Received Cash Amt: _____ Check # _____ & Amt _____

Receipt emailed or given to customer: _____

Questions: Contact Lori Frontera via email nwcspouseclub@yahoo.com