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NAVY LEAGUE NAMES GENE WELLER 2013 MURPHY DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN

The Navy League of Central PA selected Maj Eugene L. Weller, USMCR (Ret.) for the council's 2013 LT Michael P. Murphy Distinguished Citizen Award. Major Weller will be honored with a banquet at the Penn Stater Hotel and Conference Center on 25 October 2013. RDML Mark W. Kenny, USN (Ret.) will be the guest speaker. To receive an invitation to purchase tickets or information on sponsorship opportunities, email events@NavyLeague-CentralPA.ORG.

Major Weller is known throughout the Centre region for introducing Marine Toys for Tots to the area and serving as its local coordinator for the past 25 years. Gene is a regular volunteer at Pennsylvania Special Olympics Summer Games, a team leader for United Way Day of Caring, a proud supporter of Boy & Girl Scouts of America, past commandant of Marine Corps League Nittany Leathernecks Detachment, and member of the Veterans Administration Volunteer Service and its Centre County Veterans Outreach program. More information about Gene Weller can be found at NavyLeague-CentralPA.ORG/weller.pdf.

Rear Admiral Kenny retired from the Navy in 2010 as the Navy Irregular Warfare Office's first director. In that role, Kenny deployed unmanned air and undersea systems against high value terrorist targets in support of OIF, OEF and other operational theaters. He established the Center for Expeditionary Counterterrorism Operations and the Center for Submarine Counterterrorism Operations deploying teams in support of counterterrorism task forces. Kenny was Commanding Officer of USS BIRMINGHAM (SSN 695). Kenny is founder of KENNCOR LLC. More information about RDML Kenny can be found at NavyLeague-CentralPA.ORG/kenny.pdf.

The LT Michael P. Murphy Distinguished Citizen Award is given to a non-active duty person(s) whose character, distinguished military or civilian service and stature draw wholesome comparison to the qualities for which the Central PA Council of the Navy League strives. The 1998 Penn State graduate, LT Murphy, was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor on 22 October 2007 for his actions in combat 27 to 28 June 2005, while leading a special reconnaissance mission deep behind enemy lines in the Hindu Kush of Afghanistan. More information about Murphy's life and career can be found at www.Navy.MIL/moh/mpmurphy/.

The Navy League of Central PA is dedicated to nonpartisan, enhanced public understanding of the missions and challenges facing today's Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and Merchant Marine, as well as advocating for the well-being of the men and women of each service.