

Hello from Annapolis,

In this newsletter are final Commissioning Week updates, new Parent website and communications information, Alumni Chapter updates from ICOF and the Blue and Gold Area Coordinator and Officer training dates. The plan currently is to do a quick update in June for Fall dates and Brigade Reform information, no newsletter in July and this newsletter will return when the Brigade reforms in August! Congratulations to the Class of 2015 and we look forward to welcoming the Class of 2019!

Please forward this Newsletter all members of the Alumni Chapters, Parent Clubs and all Blue and Gold Officers in your area along with family, friends and potential candidates for USNA. It is and will continue to be a comprehensive look at schedules, events and milestones important to our Naval Academy Volunteers and sharing the good news of the Naval Academy.

If there is something we should be including, send me an email. As always do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Have a safe and happy Commissioning Week and Summer!

Sincerely,

[Elizabeth Beedenbender](#)

Engagement Ops– Parent Programs

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[USNA Alumni Association and Foundation News & Events : www.usna.com](#)

Membership is the Alumni Association is open to all; for details and benefits, please visit– [Alumni Association Membership](#)

Check our website and Facebook page for updates and information regarding our distinguished graduates, the 2015 Football schedule and shift to the American Athletic Conference plus great photos from events and updates from around the yard .

Alumni Chapters

Roll of Active Members: Per the Bylaws of the USNA Alumni Association, each chapter’s roll of active members is to be submitted to the Association annually. Thank you to all the Chapters who have submitted their rolls. If your Chapter has not done this please let me know how I can assist you in providing this information. Please submit your Chapter’s roll of active members to me.

Email Broadcaster or Database Manager: If you are a Chapter President you have permissions in your Alumni Association account that allows you to generate a Chapter List and also to send Chapter email when logged in. Currently most Chapter Secretaries have been given Email Broadcaster permissions and most Chapter Treasurers have been authorized Database Manager permissions (allowing him or her the ability to pull a current Chapter list). Chapter Presidents make the determination on whom within a Chapter has specific permissions so please email Joe Fagan to add or remove permissions.

ICOF was held on Thursday 07 May 2015: Please see the [ICOF](#) webpage (<http://www.usna.com/page.aspx?pid=475>) for links to presentations given this year. Included are presentations on Cyber Programs, Division of Engineering and Weapons Systems, and an Alumni Association Update. Unfortunately, USNA Public Affairs will not allow the posting of the Superintendents Brief on our website his office confirms that most of the information in his brief is available on www.usna.edu

Personally Identifiable Information (PII): PII continues to be a buzzword not only in the military but in all of society. Please check your websites, Facebook pages and other social media accounts to ensure the privacy of your members is protected.

Shipmate Chapter News Information/Submission Deadlines: Click: [Chapter News Shipmate Articles](#) to submit your updates. The following are deadlines for submission for Shipmate Articles through the rest of this calendar year:

Jul-Aug ‘15 Shipmate (01 Jun 2015)	Mmbr.Serv./Fall ‘15 Shipmate (06 Jul 2015)
Sep-Oct ‘15 Shipmate (03 Aug 2015)	Nov-Dec ‘15 Shipmate (30 Sep 2015)

Another Link in the Chain (ALINC): CDR John Ohlinger, USN (Ret.) ’69 is ALITC POC for send-off picnics. Please contact him so he may arrange representation to explain ALINC to your candidates during your send-off events. His email is: johlinger@att.net

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Parent Clubs

- ◆ We have completely upgraded and revised all Parent information on www.usna.com You can still find all the information under “Find Info for Parents” but the quickest way to see all the new information is go to www.usna.com/parents
- ◆ All information and links for the Class of 2019 PTR information can be found here: www.usna.com/PTR
- ◆ Thank you for all received dates and information for scheduled Welcome Aboards. All the inputs are greatly appreciated and there is still time to send in Welcome Aboard information to be added to the parent website and we will be advertising on the new parent Facebook page for all USNA Parent Clubs beginning next week!
- ◆ Congratulations to the Class of 2015 and all the proud parents and families! Enjoy Commissioning Week! USNA Commissioning Week the complete [schedule](#) has been posted at: www.usna.edu/CommissioningWeek
- ◆ **Please update any leadership changes for Parent Clubs as soon as possible!** Parent Clubs are invited to participate in the I-Day Family Expo tent, registration was sent to all parent club leadership by email. If you need the registration link or information on username and password please contact me direct: [Elizabeth Beedenbender](mailto:Elizabeth.Beedenbender)

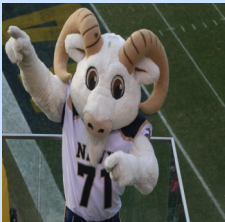
Class of 1969/2019 ALITC– The Another Link In The Chain speaker coordinator for this year is CDR John Ohlinger, USN (Ret.) ‘69. If you would like to request a member of the Class of 1969 to attend and speak at your welcome aboard please send an email to John Ohlinger with your Welcome Aboard event information as soon as possible. *CDR John Ohlinger’s email is : johlinger@att.net

Important Parent Dates:

- Class of 2018 Herndon Climb: Monday 18 May 2015 1:30pm
- Class of 2015 Commissioning Week: Sunday 17 May to Friday 22 May 2015
- Class of 2019 Induction Day: Wednesday 1 July 2015
- Class of 2019 Plebe Parent Weekend: Thursday 13 August to Sunday 16 August 2015
- Brigade Reform: Tuesday 18 August to Thursday 21 August 2015
- Class of 2017 2/C Weekend: Friday 18 September to Sunday 20 September 2015

Parent Resources:

- [Parent Programs Home page](#): First stop for All Parents information! **New / Revised and Updated**
- [USNA 2019 Parents](#) Facebook page– **open page, ALL parents are welcome to like and follow**: Official source of formation and updates for parents of USNA Midshipmen
- [Parent Event Calendar](#): **UPDATED through August 2015**
- [Parent Club Map](#): Find a Parent Club near you!!
- [Parent Club Market Place](#): Great Navy Merchandise and all proceeds directly benefit the USNA Parent Clubs
- [USNA Alumni Association Housing rental information](#): Looking for a rental for Commissioning Week or a home away home that are available for Football weekends, Parent Weekends and quick visits to Annapolis.
- Newsletter Archive Page: [Past Newsletters](#)



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BLUE AND GOLD AREA COORDINATORS & OFFICERS

[USNA Admissions](#) NEW and improved website

USNA SUMMER PROGRAMS: Summer Seminar and Summer Stem plication sites are closed and all applicants have been notified of status beginning May 1 2015

USNA Applications for the Class of 2020 are now open! s

Blue and Gold Officer Summer Training: at USNA

- 6-10 July 2015
- 12-16 July 2015
- 23-26 July 2015

Blue and Gold Area Coordinator Training:

- 13-16 September 2015

[2015 Admissions Outreach Schedule](#)

Upcoming Admissions Forums - TBD

***Admissions Outreach : Upcoming forums:** USNA Admissions is always in need of volunteer support and event space for forums. If you can connect Admissions to an event space or community center to host an outreach forum please contact: [Ms. Yvonne Graham](#) or by phone 410.293.1855 **We encourage All Blue and Gold Officers, Parent Clubs and Alumni Chapters to partner and support the Admission Outreach events happening around the country.**

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Naval Academy Athletic Association

- [USNA Athletics](#) – a comprehensive overview of navy athletics at all levels
- [Naval Academy Athletic Association](#)– great sight for Navy Athletics
- [Composite Sports Schedule](#)– the upcoming/monthly look at all USNA Sport schedule for both Home and Away games and events— check it monthly for Navy Sports that may be traveling to your area!
- [2015 Navy Football Schedule](#)
- NAAA ticket Information: [Click here](#)

Navy Athletics is looking forward to another successful year in 2015 and need your support. 2015 Blue & Gold memberships are now available. [Click Here](#) for the 2015 Blue & Gold membership brochure, which outlines membership information and benefits. The goal of the Blue & Gold is to support our Midshipmen as they represent the Naval Academy in intercollegiate athletics. The 1,600 student-athletes competing on our varsity and junior varsity teams depend on this support to compete at the highest levels of athletics.

Ticket priority to Navy Football events including the Army-Navy Game – is based on your Blue & Gold membership level. Membership's start at \$75. You can also direct your contribution to any of the 33 Varsity and Junior Varsity Sports.

Join for 2015 by contacting the Blue & Gold at 410-293-8708 or clicking [HERE](#)

Quote from Keith Puryear the Naval Academy Varsity Women's Tennis Coach

"The support of our friends, alumni and parents is absolutely critical for our continued success as we strive to develop young ladies of character on the court and off. While the Academy and NAAA does an outstanding job of supporting us in our mission, you are the critical link that assist us in obtaining the margin of excellence needed for long term success"-Keith Puryear-Head Coach Women's Tennis

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Naval Academy Business Services Division

Below are several links to the U.S. Naval Academy business services division including the Midshipmen Yard Card Account manager. NBSD is also providing care packages to be sent to your MIDS, check out the Snacker boxes from Drydock Restaurant.

- [Naval Academy Club Membership Special](#)
- [Naval Academy Shopping Registration](#)
- [USNA Business Services Division](#)
- [Parent Information](#)
- [Yard Card Services](#)
- [Snacker Boxes from Drydock Restaurant](#)– order form
- **Print the coupon below for discounts to all Parents and special membership offer for 2019 Parents!**



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Naval Academy Club
United States Naval Academy

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Visiting the Yard– USNA

General Visiting Information: Visiting hours are sunrise to sunset or 5 p.m., whichever is later. Everyone age 16 and older must show a photo ID to enter the Naval Academy.

Effective July 1 2013: the requirement for DOD Decals has been eliminated. Anyone with locally prepared USNA ID Card or a DOD credential, including military retirees and dependents are not required to have a decal or get a temporary pass to drive onto USNA. ALL parents and sponsor parents must present their Parent Pass when entering USNA.

Parent Passes: are issued to parents before or during plebe parent weekend. If a parent pass is lost during the 4 years at USNA, your MID must submit an email to the [Pass & ID](#) requesting a new pass for parent.

Questions? Please email [Pass & ID](#) or 410.293.4019

All day parking is available at the Navy-Marine Corps Stadium on Rowe Blvd., in the Noah Hillman Parking Garage (accessible from Duke of Gloucester or Main Streets), or at two-hour parking meters around City Dock.

The Armel-Leftwich Visitor Center is conveniently located inside USNA Gate 1 at the Annapolis harbor. You can view the 13-minute film “Call to Serve” and take a guided walking tour with a professional, certified guide. Pedestrian entrances are on Prince George and Randall Streets.

The Naval Academy Museum is free to the public. Located in Preble Hall, it is a short walk from Gates 1 and 3.

Admissions: Briefings by admissions experts are held Monday – Friday at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.; Saturday at 9 and 11 a.m. The Admissions Office is located on the second floor of the Visitor Center just inside Gate 1.

Chapel Services: The Naval Academy Chaplain’s Center holds Catholic, Christian Science, Jewish, Eastern Orthodox and Protestant services which are open to the public.
[USNA Chapel Service Schedule](#)

Any questions, concerns or suggestions regarding the information in this newsletter

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USNA Musical Events and Performances

[USNA Music Department](#)– view the wide-ranging musical ensembles USNA supports

To Purchase [Tickets](#) for USNA performances

Upcoming Performances

This is a list of all upcoming performances for the 2015 academic year.

2015

[MAY 1](#)
Hymn Sing
[Chapel Organ](#)
USNA, Main Chapel
07:30 PM **More Info**

[MAY 16](#)
Preakness Race
[Men's Glee Club Women's Glee Club](#)
Baltimore, MD
6:00 PM

[May19](#)
Commissioning Week Combined Glee Club and Gospel Choir Concert
USNA Main Chapel
8:30pm **Tickets required**

[MAY 22](#)
USNA Commissioning Ceremony
[Men's Glee Club Women's Glee Club](#)
USNA, Stadium 9:00 AM

Special Events, Parent visits and Commissioning Week Information at US Naval Academy: [USNA Special Events](#) : This page is an excellent resource for information, dates and schedules related to I-Day, Plebe Parent Weekend and Second Class Parent Weekend and Commissioning Week

[Commissioning Week 2015](#)– Complete Schedule is posted

Congratulation to the Class of 2015! Bravo Zulu