

This newsletter contains information regarding ICOF- annual Alumni Chapter meeting, Commissioning Week for the Class of 2017, Admissions Summer Seminar and Summer STEM dates and updates for access to USNA.

Please forward this Newsletter: it is meant to go to all members of the USNA Alumni Chapters, Parent Clubs and all Blue and Gold Officers in your area. It is a comprehensive look at schedules, events and milestones important to our Naval Academy Volunteers.

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

Sincerely,

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Engagement Ops- Parent Programs

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

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[Class of 2017 Commissioning Week Schedule](#)

USNA Alumni Association Board of Trustees MTG- Wednesday 10 May thru Friday 12 May 2017

Membership in the Alumni Association: open to all; for details and benefits please visit: [Membership](#)

Alumni Chapters

Chapter Count: My sincerest thanks to all the Chapters who submitted their Annual Counts over the past two months. Three years ago we had less than 25% of the Chapters submit and this year we are at 77 of 100 Chapters who have submitted. If you have not submitted your count this year please do so as soon as possible.

Other Chapter Package Submissions: Appendix A of the USNA AA Operating Manual contains information regarding the Other Chapter Selection Procedures for Board Representation. Please review the information in Appendix A as the information has been re-written by the current Other Chapter Committee members. This new version stands as a better representation in which to choose the most engaged Chapters wishing to become members of the Board of Trustees. This criteria which was reviewed with all Chapters in attendance at the International Chapter Officer Conference last year will be used during the selection of the new Other Chapter representatives during 2017. These Changes were approved by the Board of Trustees during the Spring BOT last May. The next Other Chapter Selection process will begin this June following The Board of Trustees meeting on 12 May 2017.

Email Broadcaster or Database Manager: If you are a Chapter President you have permissions in your Alumni Association account that allow you to generate a Chapter List and also to send Chapter email when logged in. Chapter Secretaries have typically 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). These permissions are not automatically given. The Chapter Presidents make the determination on whom within a Chapter has specific permissions so please email me to add or remove permissions.

Chapter Officers: Please update me with any changes to your Chapter Officers. This is important so information pertinent to Chapters can be sent to the appropriate individuals.

Shipmate Chapter News Information: Please send Chapter News Shipmate Articles to Chapternews@usna.com. Deadlines for submission and guidelines for Shipmate Articles can be found: <http://www.usna.com/deadlines?>

2017 ICOF: The 2017 International Chapter Officer Forum is scheduled for 11 May 2017. The ICOF page (<https://usna.com/page.aspx?pid=295>) will be updated soon with relevant information and links to register. Hotel Registration at the Historic Inns of Annapolis can be made using this link below. Reservations can also be made by calling the Historic Inns of Annapolis (410) 263-2641. Please let them know you are with the Naval Academy Alumni Association ICOF group.

ICOF Reservations: (<https://gc.synxis.com/rez.aspx>

[Hotel=12126&Chain=5415&arrive=5/10/2017&depart=5/11/2017&adult=1&child=0&group=10000102798](https://gc.synxis.com/rez.aspx?Hotel=12126&Chain=5415&arrive=5/10/2017&depart=5/11/2017&adult=1&child=0&group=10000102798)).

Recreational Vehicle (RV) Chapter: The Recreational Vehicle (RV) Chapter meets five or six times a year on average, for five to seven days in various parts of the country. These "Come Arounds" are nothing like the ones you remember as a MIDN. They provide the unique experience of spending a few days with fellow alumni in a campground setting. More information can be found on the RV Chapter website (<http://usnarv.usnachapters.net/>).

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Parent Clubs

Please update any leadership changes for Parent Clubs as soon as possible! Please verify your parent club information is up to date on the [Parent Club Map](#). Submit your Parent Club leadership changes ASAP - this information is critical as we are updating our new database records

USAA Financial support for all 2017 Welcome Aboard Events- contact your USAA Field Rep today!

Commissioning Week—Updated!- includes all information in the parent mailing.

Important Parent Dates:

- ♦ **2017 Formal Parade:** Friday 7 April- 4:00pm Worden Field
- ♦ **Dedication Parade:** Friday 28 April: —4:00pm Worden Field
- ♦ **U.S. Navy Uniform Changeover:** Monday 1 May 2017
- ♦ **USNA Classes end:** Tuesday 2 May 2017
- ♦ **Study & Review:** Wednesday 3 May 2017
- ♦ **Final Exams:** Thursday 4 May thru Thursday 11 May 2016
- ♦ **May Intersessional Period:** Sunday 14 May thru Friday 19 May 2017
- ♦ **Class of 2020 Sea Trial:** Tuesday 16 May 2017- Sea Trials are not open to the public
- ♦ **Class of 2018 Ring Dance:** Saturday 20 May 2017- 7:00pm
- ♦ **Class of 2020 Herndon Climb:** Monday 22 May 2017- 1:30pm Herndon Monument , USNA
- ♦ **Class of 2017 Commissioning Week:** Saturday 20 May to Friday 26 May 2017- [Official Commissioning Week Schedule](#)
- ♦ **Summer Training and Summer School Block:** [View the Parent Event Calendar](#)
- ♦ **Class of 2021 Induction Day:** Thursday 29 June 2017
- ♦ **Class of 2021 Plebe Parent Weekend:** Thursday 10 August to Sunday 13 August 2017- [Details click here](#)
- ♦ **Class of 2019 2/C Parent Weekend:** Friday 22 September to Sunday 24 September 2017- details will be updated when finalized—[Click here](#)
- ♦ **25th Annual Parent Club Officer Conference :** Wednesday 20 to Thursday 21 September 2017- more details to follow!

USNA Alumni Association and Foundation IT Tool Kit : Parent Club official email, parent club website creation and hosting, Parent Club logo design. Contact Elizabeth Beedenbender if interested in these FREE services from the Alumni Assoc.

- * Parent Programs Home page: **being updated currently**
- * **U.S. Naval Academy Parent Community:** FACEBOOK PAGE for all USNA Parents, USNA endorsed source of information & updates for parents of USNA Midshipmen- open page, ALL parents are welcome to like and follow
- * **Parent Event Calendar:** UPDATED through August Reform 2017
- * **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

BLUE AND GOLD AREA COORDINATORS & OFFICERS

Upcoming USNA Outreach Events:

April 19 2017	Dallas, TX	Service Academies Workshop
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Service Academies Workshop: This is a new initiative in our outreach program; the Deans and Directors of Admission from the five service academies discuss the academies and service academies' admissions process.

USNA Admissions Forums: for more details please visit our site.

USNA Summer Programs 2017 Applications are still OPEN!

Summer STEM application (Closes Saturday 15 April 2017 11:59 PM EST) STEM students will be notified of application status by Monday 1 May 2017 11:59 PM EST

Naval Academy Summer Seminar (NASS) application (Closes Friday 31 March 2017 11:59 PM EST) NASS Candidates will be notified of application status by Saturday 15 April 2017 11:59 PM EST

Support for Parent Club and Alumni Chapter Welcome Aboard Events: BGO and AC's please forward all welcome aboard information to the incoming 2021 candidates and their parents from your local parent club or alumni chapter and encourage these families to join their local parent club for the support and preparation for I-Day and joining the USNA Family, your help and support is greatly appreciated.

***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 by email:

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 site for Navy Athletics
- [Varsity, JV and Club 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!
- NAAA ticket Information: [Click here](#)

Join the Blue-N*-Gold for 2017 now [Support our Midshipmen!](#)

Blue-N*-Gold membership benefits [Click Here](#) or check out our new 360 view of membership on Facebook: [Navy Athletics Blue N* Gold](#)

Join the Blue N* Gold! By accepting the challenge of becoming a Blue-N*-Gold member, you're ensuring USNA Midshipmen can compete at the next level, on and off the field. Private support is critical to maintain the margin of excellence, and we ask you to Support our Midshipmen!

Ticket priority to Navy Football events, including the Army-Navy Game in Philadelphia December 9th, is based on your Blue-N*-Gold membership level. To take advantage of this benefit for Army-Navy, your membership will need to be secured prior to the appropriate ticket priority dates.

The Naval Academy Athletic Association is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization charged with providing resources to support the varsity and junior varsity programs offered by the Naval Academy. With less than 10 % of the NAAA operating budget provided by the Academy via government funding, 90 percent of support for NAAA programs is through external revenue (i.e. Blue N* Gold memberships, ticket sales, corporate sponsorship, television revenue, parking, etc.). The Blue N* Gold memberships is critical in providing our teams with the supplemental dollars necessary to close the “resource gap” between the Naval Academy teams and our Division I competition. Your support is critical to our continued success.

Hopefully, we can count on your support!

Contact the Blue-N*-Gold office at [410-293-8708](tel:410-293-8708) with any questions.

Go Navy! Beat Army!

For information on Blue-N*-Gold membership benefits [Click Here](#)

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Naval Academy Business Services Division

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The Naval Academy Business Services Division (NABSD) provides the goods and services required by the Brigade of Midshipmen in the official performance of their duties. From shopping and dining to recreation and fitness, the NABSD operates Academy facilities for authorized patrons, guests and visitors: [More Parent Information](#)

[Naval Academy Club](#): Interested in joining the Naval Academy Club? - Contact our Membership Coordinator for more information:

[Naval Academy Club Membership](#)

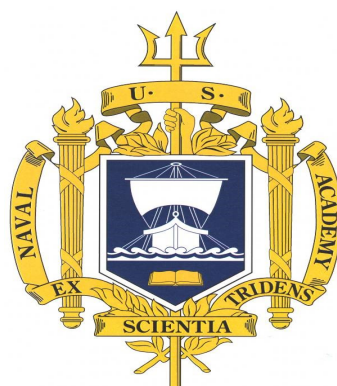
USNA YARD CARD

N* Program: Register for the N* program and get exclusive discounts available to N* shoppers only!

[Click here to register for N* program](#)

[Class Of 2017 Commissioning Catalog](#) – One stop shopping for all Commissioning/Graduation needs and gifts!

Great deals and great blue & gold USNA merchandise is available at NAVYONLINE.COM – start shopping today!



Visiting the Yard– USNA

General Visiting Information: Visiting hours are sunrise to sunset or 5 p.m., whichever is later. All visitors 21 years of age or older must have a valid picture ID (i.e.: State issued driver's license, student I.D., or a government issued passport).

As of 4 February . Updated 6 April 2017
Effective Immediately

-- State driver's licenses from **Minnesota, Illinois, Missouri, New Mexico** or **Washington** and identification cards from **American Samoa** are non-compliant with the Real ID Act.

SEE Updated Information Below please

Children 21 yrs old or younger: who do not have their own ID card must be accompanied by a responsible adult (Parent, or Family Member) who has a valid REAL ID Compliant ID Card

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](#)

Special Events: Parent Visits and Commissioning Week Information at the US Naval Academy: [2017 Commissioning Tentative Schedule](#)

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

USNA Musical Events and Performances

Upcoming Performances:
Purchase [Tickets](#) for USNA performances

MAR-31
Spring Concert
[Pipes and Drums](#)
USNA, Mahan Hall- 7:30 PM

APR-07
Spring "Home" Concert
[Men's Glee Club](#)
USNA, Main Chapel- 7:30 PM
[More Info](#)

APR-08
Tartan Day Parade- [Pipes and Drums](#)
New York, NY- 12:00 PM

APR-08
International Ball
[Trident Brass](#)
USNA, Alumni Hall
8:00 PM- [More Info](#)

APR-17
Patriot Day Parade
[Drum & Bugle Corps](#)
Boston, MA- 12:00 PM

APR-22
St. John's Croquet Match
[Trident Brass](#)
St. John's Campus, Annapolis, MD
12:00 PM

APR-23
Concert- [Gospel Choir](#)
Annapolis, MD
4:00 PM- [More Info](#)

APR-23
44th Annual Spring Oratorio
[Men's Glee Club](#)
[Women's Glee Club](#)
[Distinguished Artists Series](#)
with the Annapolis Symphony & Baltimore Choral Arts Society. USNA, Alumni Hall- 7:30 PM
[More Info](#)

APR-29
Southern Maryland Celtic Festival
[Pipes and Drums](#)- St. Leonard, MD

MAY-05
Hymn Sing- [Chapel Organ](#)
USNA, Main Chapel- 7:00 PM [More Info](#)

MAY-20
Preakness Race
[Men's Glee Club](#)
[Women's Glee Club](#)
Baltimore, MD- 6:00 PM

MAY-22
Herndon Climb
[Trident Brass](#)
Zimmerman Bandstand, USNA- 12:00 PM

MAY-23
Combined Commissioning Week Concert
[Men's Glee Club](#)
[Women's Glee Club](#)
[Gospel Choir](#) USNA, Main Chapel- 8:30 PM
[More Info](#)

MAY-24
Commissioning Week Organ Recital
[Chapel Organ](#)- USNA, Main Chapel- 4:00 PM
[More Info](#)

Security and Access:

**** NEW FEB. 1, 2016 (Updated APR 6, 2016), ACCESS GUIDANCE --** A driver's license alone for visitors from Illinois, Minnesota, Missouri and Washington State, and an ID card from American Samoa will NOT provide access to the USNA. A second personal identification card will need to be presented along with the driver's license. Note that a valid U.S. Passport will gain admittance to anyone regardless of the state they are from. For more detailed information , please click on the links provided below!

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