

Hello from Annapolis

In this newsletter we have great information regarding Commissioning Week, I-Day for the Class of 2019, 2/C Parent Weekend, Navy's new football schedule and the Alumni Chapter Officer Conference (ICOF) in May.

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.

Sincerely,

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

Membership in 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. This may not have been done regularly in the past but it is a requirement and it will help to form good accountability habits going forward for when we conduct the triennial count for Large Chapter Trustees. Please submit your Chapter's roll of active members to [Joe Fagan \(joe.fagan@usna.com\)](mailto:joe.fagan@usna.com) by 30 April 2015.

**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 Conference for 2015 will be held on Thursday 07 May 2015:** Please see the ICOF webpage (<http://www.usna.com/page.aspx?pid=475>) for links to presentations given last year. Included are presentations on Cyber Programs, International Programs Office, Vice Admiral Stockdale Center for Ethical Leadership, and an Alumni Association Update. **The 2015 ICOF and hotel registration links will be added very soon.**

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**Shipmate Chapter News Information/Submission Deadlines:** Please send Chapter News Shipmate Articles to [Chapternews@usna.com](mailto:Chapternews@usna.com). The following are deadlines for submission for Shipmate Articles through the rest of this calendar year:

May-Jun '15 Shipmate (22Apr2015)                      Jul-Aug '15 Shipmate (01Jun2015)

Mmbr. Serv./Fall '15 Shipmate (06Jul2015)    Sep-Oct '15 Shipmate (03Aug2015)

Nov-Dec '15 Shipmate (30Sep2015)

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# Parent Clubs

Thank you to all Parent Club leadership who participated in the annual survey, returned their list usage agreements and submitted the dates for scheduled Welcome Aboards. All the inputs are greatly appreciated and help in planning for the coming year. If you have not submitted your requested information, please do so at your earliest convenience.

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## Important Parent Dates:

- USNA Spring Break dates: Friday 13 March 2015 after last exam or military obligation and expires Sunday 22 March 2015 2000/8:00pm
- 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 ~ NEW but remember it is subject to change**

**Spring Break travel for Men's & Women's Glee Club and USNA Gospel Choirs:** visit the link provided for the most up to date information : [USNA Music Schedule](#)

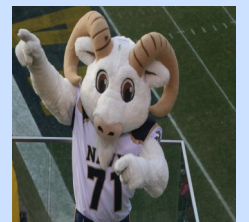
**USNA Commissioning Week** the tentative [schedule](#) has been posted and updated at: [www.usna.edu/CommissioningWeek](http://www.usna.edu/CommissioningWeek)

**Commissioning 101:** hosted by the USNA MD parent club who have compiled a comprehensive guide regarding USNA Commissioning Week. To view the Commissioning 101 guidebook, USNA Alumni Assoc. power point and video of the events, visit the [USNA Maryland Parent Club website](#)

**Grad Ads**– the deadline for submitting a graduation ad in the USNA lucky bag is fast approaching, contact Steve Sweet for more information! \*Steve Sweet– Jostens Senior Sales Representative: [steve.sweet@jostens.com](mailto:steve.sweet@jostens.com)/ 410-808-9894

Please remember to visit the Parent Program pages at [www.usna.com](http://www.usna.com) for specific resources for USNA parents. Click on the provided links below:

- [Parent Programs Home page](#): First stop for All Parents information!
- [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. **Several new homes have been added this year**
- Newsletter Archive Page: [Past Newsletters](#)



## BLUE AND GOLD AREA COORDINATORS & OFFICERS

[USNA Admissions](#) NEW and improved website

### USNA SUMMER PROGRAMS:

**Summer Seminar and Summer Stem** applications are currently being accepted on-line, click on the link below for more information.

- \* [USNA Summer Seminar](#)– application closes Tuesday 31 March 2015 @11:59pm
- \* [USNA Summer STEM](#)– application closes Wednesday 15 April 2015 @ 11:59pm
- \* [Applications for the Class of 2020 Opens](#) - Wednesday 1 April 2015 12:00am

### 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](#)

Dear Navy Fans:

Navy Athletics had another exciting year in 2014, winning the Patriot League President's Cup All-Sports Championship, beating Army in Football for the 13<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, and capping the year with a victory over San Diego State in the Poinsettia Bowl. These accomplishments would not have been possible without the support of our 4,500 Blue & Gold members.

We're looking forward to another successful year in 2015 and need your support. 2015 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.

Join for 2015 by clicking [HERE](#)

Ticket priority to Navy Football events including the Army-Navy Game – is based on your Blue & Gold membership level. To take advantage of this benefit, your membership will need to be secured prior to the appropriate ticket priority dates. For 2015, the dates are as follows:

March 1- April 15 - **Season Ticket Renewal Period**

#### **Priority Window for Army-Navy**

April 20- April 26 - Admiral's Row Blue & Gold Members

April 28-May 4 - 3 - Star Blue & Gold Member

May 6- May 12 - 2 - Star Blue & Gold, Season Ticket Holders & LIFE

May 14- May 20 - 1 - Star Blue & Gold Member

We thank you in advance for your commitment to Navy Athletics, and hope you will continue to support the collective goals and ambitions of our Physical Mission. The Naval Academy Athletic Association expects to succeed in all our efforts, and hope you can share in the events and enjoy our highly competitive Midshipmen from the stands.

Thank you for your continued support of our Midshipmen.

Go Navy!

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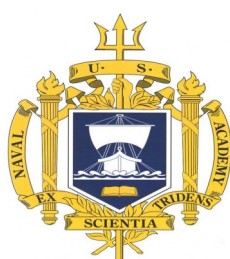
[www.navysports.com](http://www.navysports.com)



## 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.

- [USNA Business Services Division](#)
- [Parent Information](#)
- [Yard Card Services](#)
- [Snacker Boxes from Drydock Restaurant](#)– order form



## 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**

or

**to unsubscribe please contact me directly!**

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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

[March 13 to 22](#)

#### Spring Concert Tour

[Men's Glee Club](#)

*FT. LAUDERDALE, FL*

March 14, 2015 - *Public Concert!*

Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church

555 North Federal Highway

Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33308

7:30 PM

*MIAMI, FL*

March 20, 2015 - *Public Concert!*

Trinity Episcopal Church

464 NE 16th Street

Miami, FL 33132

7:00 PM

Florida **More Info**

#### Spring Concert Tour

[Women's Glee Club](#)

*HOUSTON, TX*

March 14, 2015 - *Public Concert!*

St. Martin's Episcopal Church

717 Sage Road

Houston, TX 77056

7:30 PM

*CORPUS CHRISTI, TX*

March 17, 2015 - *Public Concert!*

Corpus Christi Cathedral

505 North Upper Broadway

Corpus Christi, TX 78401

7:30 PM

*SAN ANTONIO, TX*

March 20, 2015 - *Public Concert!*

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

315 E. Pecan Street

San Antonio, TX 78205

7:00 PM

#### Spring Concert Tour

[Gospel Choir](#)

*Long Beach, CA*

March 15, 2015 - *Public Concert!*

Covenant Presbyterian Church

607 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

Long Beach, CA 90802

4:00 PM

California **More Info**

[March 25](#)

#### Russian National Ballet

[Distinguished Artists Series](#)

USNA, Alumni Hall 7:30 PM **More Info**

[March 27](#)

#### Organ Recital

[Chapel Organ](#)

USNA, Main Chapel 07:30 PM **More Info**

[April 4](#)

#### Tartan Day Parade

[Pipes and Drums](#)

New York, NY 12:00 PM

[April 10](#)

#### Spring "Home" Concert

[Men's Glee Club](#)

USNA, Main Chapel 7:30 PM **More Info**

[April 11](#)

#### Mid-Atlantic Drum Corps Concert

[Drum & Bugle Corps](#)

"Profiles in Music" Festival

York, PA

12:00 PM

[April 11](#)

#### International Ball

[Trident Brass](#)

USNA, Alumni Hall 8:00 PM **More Info**

[April 12](#)

#### Concert

[Gospel Choir:](#)

Washington, D.C. 4:00 PM **More Info**

[April 18](#)

#### St. John's Croquet Match

[Trident Brass](#)

St. John's Campus, Annapolis, MD 12:00 PM

[April 19](#)

#### 42nd Annual Spring Oratorio

[Men's Glee Club](#) [Women's Glee Club](#)

[Distinguished Artists Series](#)

with the Annapolis Symphony and Baltimore

Choral Arts Society, USNA, Alumni Hall

7:30 PM **More Info**

[April 20](#)

#### Patriot Day Parade

[Drum & Bugle Corps](#)

Boston, MA, 12:00 PM

[April 24](#)

#### Spring "Home" Concert

[Women's Glee Club](#)

USNA, Main Chapel 7:30 PM **More Info**

[April 24](#)

#### Spring Concert

[Pipes and Drums](#)

USNA, Mahan Hall 7:30 PM

[April 25](#)

Southern Maryland Celtic Festival

[Pipes and Drums](#)

St. Leonard, MD 7:30 PM

[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

[May 18](#)

#### Commissioning Week Glee Club and Gospel

**Choir Concert**

USNA Main Chapel 8:30pm

[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](#)– Tentative Schedule updated!