



# **Class of 79 News**

## **February 2019**

### **Omnes Viri News**

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#### **PREZ SEZ**

Greetings Classmates,

Welcome to February and the official Dark Ages. Is it cold enough for everyone?

We held our first reunion committee meeting, so I am sure you are all eager to hear details of our upcoming 40-Year Reunion. Kirk is including it in our new “40<sup>th</sup> Reunion Updates” section.

That’s the overview on the reunion for now – and all is subject to some change. Times and places will be filled in as we firm them up. Registration for the Reunion will also be a little different, using a private vendor instead of the Alumni Association website. We plan to open registration in May or thereabouts. Historically, the 40-Year Reunion for most classes is there best attended. I believe we will have 400-500 Classmates returning, and the more the merrier!

One final note for now – the Class Store will be up and running much as in the past. Shirts, hats, barware, and other trinkets will be for sale. A great Check-in Goodie Bag will be put together for each registered classmate. More on the Class Store soon!

See you all in September!

Beat Army!

Omnes Viri 79,

Sean

#### **40<sup>th</sup> REUNION UPDATES**

##### **Overview** –

Because this about our eighth reunion, we have learned a lot of lessons from the past and will evolve our plans to draw on that experience and meet new requirements. The goal of our class reunion is to produce a memorable weekend where as many classmates – Grads and non-Grads, plus widows and children – can gather to remember the past, celebrate the present, and salute the future. We will provide more options than in the past to allow for both formal and informal events. The overall cost will be managed as best we can, but right up front, it is not cheap to put on functions in Annapolis. That said, our Reunion Coordinator, Valerie Gerheiser, will be working with each vendor to get the best value possible out of each event.

##### **When?** –

I need not repeat that the September weekend date will be known *ONLY AFTER* the AAC releases our Football Schedule. We may know that in the next few weeks, and as soon as I know, we’ll get the word out to all. By selecting now, we have assured that there will be, at the most, only one other class reunion (1999) to compete with for resources.

### **Headquarters Hotel** –

The first major change from the past will be *No Headquarters Hotel*. The Reunion weekend will run from Thursday through Sunday, so when the dates are announced, book your best deal for flights in to BWI or DCA, to arrive on Wednesday or early Thursday, and depart Sunday or later. Same with your lodging – find the deal that works best for you. I hope to have suggestions/links in my Class Email announcing the Reunion date. You can think outside the box, too, such as an Airbnb. It is suggested that Company Reps contact their members to arrange lodging at a particular venue. Not having a HQ Hotel will save the Class a lot of money on having to guarantee room numbers and other revenue to the hotel. And as we may be the only class reunion that weekend, you may find some good deals.

### **Reunion Check-In** –

Reunion Check-in will be set up in downtown Annapolis at McGarvey's. Check-in upstairs, then head down to meet up with friends at the bar! Valerie did this recently with another class and it worked great! Parking downtown should be sufficient, and Uber or Lyft are great options for getting around.

### **Getting in the Yard** –

Admittance to the Yard is easy for those with Retired Military ID, others will need to check-in at Gate One.

### **Early Draft Schedule** –

The Weekend Schedule is still in flux, but here is a preliminary overview:

#### **Thursday**

- Morning Check-in for Golf at USNA Course.
- No Host Reception throughout the day/evening at McGarvey's. Suggest Company Parties.

#### **Friday**

- AM – Class Quinquennial Meeting at USNA (Room TBD)
- AM – Class Memorial Service- USNA Chapel or other suitable location
- PM – Alumni Association and Supe Brief to the Class
- 1600 – Dress P-Rade – Warden Field
- 1900 – Crab Feast Dinner – Probably at the Stadium

#### **Saturday**

- Tailgater – Food and Drink Galore! N-Star Room (we hope) at Stadium.
  - A block of game tickets will be available for the game.
  - A link on the registration page to order.
  - Based on where the tailgater will be, you probably will need a ticket for the game to get in the tailgate.
- 1530 – Navy Football! Beat Somebody!!!
- Post-game Company Informal Gatherings

#### **Sunday**

- Chapel Services

### **79er Trivia Contest** –

I plan to host a trivia contest on the Class of 79 Facebook page starting in May or June – depending on how many questions I have. To join you have to have a connection to the class. Group is limited to grads, spouses and widows.

I will be soliciting questions on us 79ers in the next few weeks. Questions such as who was number 1 in the class, who was first married, who has the oldest kid, who was first warfare qualified, and any other questions and answers you have.

Please send me your questions, answers, and pictures of the situation (if you have them) to my e-mail ([kirk.michealson@gmail.com](mailto:kirk.michealson@gmail.com))

or via FB messenger. We don't want everyone to know the answers.

Their goal is a little class trivia to get us ready for our 40<sup>th</sup>. I will announce the winners on our Facebook page, I will include the monthly individual results in the newsletter, and the overall winner at the reunion during the class meeting.

Please ensure I have your updated e-mail address for the newsletter and you are a member of the Class of 79 Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/225089394218117/>).

### **Communications** –

Sean will include updates in his Class President e-mail. I will be including updates in our monthly newsletters, as well as on Facebook. Please ensure your information is correct in the 1979 Excel database to ensure you keep up with what's going as the Reunion Committee plans this outstanding event!

### **NAVY-NOTRE DAME 2020**

(same as last month)

As many of you know, Navy is playing Notre Dame in Ireland on August 29, 2020. Let me know if you have an interest in going. No firm commitment needed yet.

~Valerie ([platweddings@aol.com](mailto:platweddings@aol.com))

### **CLASS DINNER: SPRING 2019**

(same as last month)

Looking to see who is interested to having a class dinner in the spring. We have two classmates with membership at the Army-Navy Country Club in Arlington. The tentative date is April 6, 2019. Would like to make this an annual event to be held in

DC or Northern Virginia. If we have enough interest, we can start the planning.

~ Valerie ([platweddings@aol.com](mailto:platweddings@aol.com))

### **USNA ATHLETICS HALL OF FAME**

(Received from Jeff Johnson '79)

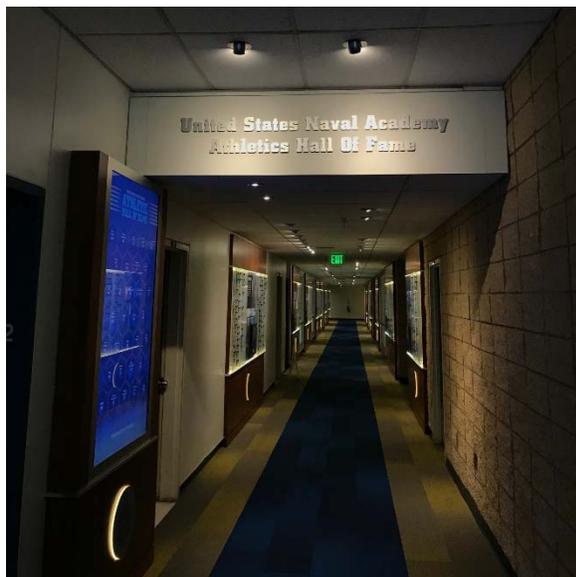


Here is a photo of the ribbon cutting for the Hall of Fame (HOF) renovation project. Mark ('83) and Lynne Powell and Chris and Jeff Johnson ('79) were the lead sponsors on the project. To the far right is Robert Chadwick ('Dant). His dad Steve was a donor and he was accepting for him.

The ceremony took place on November 16<sup>th</sup>. In Jeff's position as a trustee on the Athletic Scholarship Program (ASP) Foundation, he had the opportunity to lead the project with design, construction and project management. It was a true partnership with the NAAA and ASP. Mark and Jeff's company (ARGO) was selected to perform the demolition of the previous HOF and built out the new. Included are some photos of the new look. The HOF includes electronic kiosks to locate individuals and provide accolades, awards, etc.

Thousands of visitors go through the second floor of Lejuene Hall and the previous HOF was certainly not representative of the Academy. We were very fortunate to lead

and sponsor this project. Please contact Jeff if you have any questions.



## [GEORGE WELSH](#)

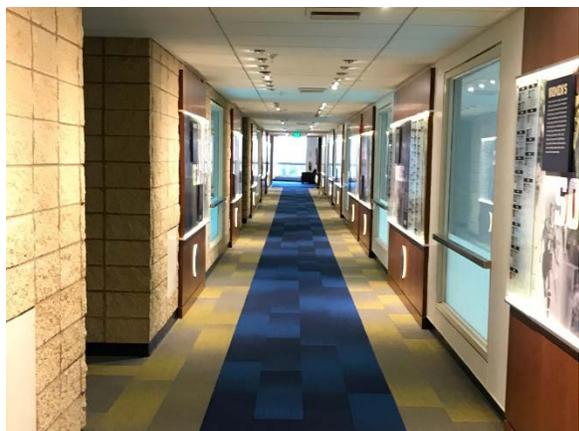
George Welsh, who coached Navy Football from 1973–1981 and earned a 55-46-1 record in that time, passed away on January 2, 2019, surrounded by his family. He was 85 and had been in declining health for a while. Coach Welsh will be missed by his players at Navy, including our great Navy Football classmates who were guided by the coach to wins over Air Force and Army in three of our four years, and a big win over BYU in the inaugural Holiday Bowl our Firstie year. Coach Welsh went on to great success at UVA where he eventually retired.

## [THE TERWILLIGER PROJECT](#)

From the Alumni Association:



The construction of the new Physical Mission Center at Ricketts Hall is well underway and should be completed by the end of 2019. This impressive new facility will feature 25,000 square feet of interactive exhibit space and will celebrate the storied history of Navy athletics while also serving as a testament to the Academy's commitment to the physical development of the entire Brigade of Midshipmen. Ron Terwilliger '63 has generously donated the lead gift to advance this mission and as a result the Academy will designate this new space with appreciation and in his honor. Ron, an academic All-American who played both basketball and baseball for Navy, was named a Distinguished Graduate of the Academy in 2013.



The Naval Academy Director of Athletics Chet Gladchuk said that the legacies of our programs tell our story and we welcome the artifacts, historical memorabilia and sentimental keepsakes from alumni and friends that reflect some of the finest moments in Navy's rich athletic history. We will be grateful for donations of

memorabilia to the exhibit or, if on loan, we would return the item when timely.

If you are interested in donating or lending any memorabilia or artifacts, please take a photo with a description of the item or items and e-mail it to Joe Cook, NAAA Assistant Athletic Director for Special Operations and Administration at: cook@usna.edu Joe will follow up directly with the donor regarding further details.

Your contributions and participation will be most appreciated and will be a wonderful addition to a new facility that will highlight the athletic history of the Naval Academy as well as contributing to the accomplishment of its mission.

Sincerely,

Jim Minderlein, Captain USN (Ret.)

**FALL 2018 USNA ALUMNI  
ASSOCIATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

(From the Mid-Atlantic Region  
Representative, Andrew Kirkpatrick '86)

I am on the Admissions Committee and we reviewed the current admissions numbers, specifically the total number of applicants, number of completed applications and this year's trends. Overall USNA is down slightly in total applications, but still expects to have over 3000 fully qualified applicants. The next class will again be about 1150 candidates. Since USNA is competing against all other top-ranked engineering schools, it is important for candidates to visit the Academy. The Yard and the environment are significant selling points. So, summer programs like the Summer STEM and the Naval Academy Summer Seminar (NASS) programs have a significant influence on potential candidates. High school students who attend STEM or NASS have a greater than 85% application

completion rate if they apply. These programs cost high school students \$550 and \$525 to attend, respectively.

Scholarship support provides funds for Summer STEM and NASS for students who demonstrate financial need. Several individual alumni chapters have recognized the importance of this support and provided scholarship funds of \$25,000 through the Naval Academy Foundation. While other sources provided another \$110,000 in support, 65 scholarships totaling \$54,000 were not funded, indicating an opportunity for further support of this program.

Finally, one of our most impactful recruiting and candidate evaluation tools are our Blue and Gold Officers (BGOs). We have approximately 2000 BGOs around the country and overseas. There is continuous turnover, so we are always looking for new BGOs. As we add to their ranks, our goal is to improve representation among females and minority graduates as well as qualified non-alumni. We have many BGOs who are parents and friends of the Academy. Finally, the regional Service Academy Career Conference in San Diego recently proved to be a target-rich environment, so we will also begin using these venues as BGO recruiting opportunities.

As part of our general session, the Superintendent came to speak with us. He shared this year's Service Assignments for the Class of 2019 (95.2% received their first or second choice, 87% their first choice):

- USN: 75% (94.4% unrestricted line, 5.6% restricted line), USMC: 25%
- Submarine force: 138 (28 women)
- Navy Pilot: 240

- Navy Flight Officers: 49
- Surface Warfare: 195
- Surface Warfare (nuclear power): 41
- Surface Warfare options: 26 (once SWO qualified can transfer to other communities, i.e. Intelligence)
- Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD): 15
- Marines: 250 (Ground 153, Pilot 97). More of the Class wanted USMC than available billets
- SEAL: 33 (80% of USNA graduate from BUDS versus only 10% rate for other candidates)

Additional updates from the Superintendent's remarks:

- USNA's 33 varsity sports have a 68% win rate over the last year and we have won the Patriot League Sports Championship for the past five years.
- Hopper Hall (Cybersecurity building) has been "topped off" with the last piece of steel. It will open in the Fall of 2020.
- The Physical Mission Center, being constructed with donated money as part of Ricketts Hall, will be completed in the Fall of 2019 and serve as a rehabilitation and recruiting center for athletes.
- USNA has been recognized as having the 5th best STEM curriculum and the 8th best Physics program in the country.
- USNA has the best four-year graduation rate (85.9%) of all colleges/universities in the country. The Class of 2019 is close to 90%.
- Fifty-two midshipmen, including a member of the Class of 2019, have received Rhodes scholarships ranking 6th among all colleges/universities.

The winners of the Distinguished Chapter award were announced. They were:

- East: [North Carolina Triangle](#)
- Mid Atlantic: [Quantico](#)
- Central: [Texas Gulf Coast](#)
- West: [San Diego](#)

The purpose of this award is to not just recognize engaged chapters, but also to evaluate best practices that we can use to help all of our chapters grow.

The President's Report from the Naval Academy Alumni Association Board of Trustees Fall Meeting has been posted to the USNA AA website for your review on this page: <https://www.usna.com/BOT-Trustees>. Once the meeting minutes are approved, they will be posted on the same page as the Summary.

### **THE MOON AND 1968**



Fifty years ago amid riots, assassinations and bloodshed—three Apollo 8 astronauts, including Maj Gen William Anders '55, USAFR (Ret.), and CAPT James Lovell, Jr. '52, USN (Ret.), [headed for the moon](#). “We'd done all this work to explore the moon, and what we really discovered was the Earth,” Anders said. His photo “Earthrise,” shot on Christmas Eve, is one of the most memorable photos ever, one that brought peace to a country that needed it.

## 19 NAVY THINGS TO WATCH IN 2019



If you thought 2018 was interesting for the Navy and Marine Corps, [buckle up for 2019](#), starting with who will be named SecDef and CNO. In addition, the G.I. Bill is changing, 2nd Fleet's returning, South China Sea activity is escalating and Fat Leonard trials.

## NO BLUE ANGELS IN 2020



### **US Navy eyes cutting Blue Angels' 2020 season if budget ax falls**

If the U.S. Defense Department gets [hit with sequestration again in 2020](#), the Navy's famous flight demonstration team won't be hitting the air show circuit, according to a Navy document submitted to Congress last week.

A paper submitted to Congress by Navy Secretary Richard Spencer [puts the Blue Angels' 2020 tour in the crosshairs](#) if Congress can't come to a deal that avoids an across-the-board cut to the Defense Department's budget by mid-January 2020.

The slide, which shows the potential impact of a "mechanical sequestration" on regions throughout the country, shows 21 shows

being canceled, an estimate based on the 2019 schedule.

Marine Corps Commandant Gen. Robert Neller made two references to the Blue Angels' season in recent testimony before the Senate Armed Services Committee's readiness subcommittee. The cuts, Neller said, would go well beyond the Blue Angels, forcing the Marine Corps to make structural changes.

"If we were forced back to a sequestration level, it would be more than just the Blue Angels not doing air shows," Neller said. "It would be units getting ready to deploy later, it would cause us to look at our force structure, have to make ourselves a smaller force."

All the services have been tasked by the Office of the Secretary of Defense to come up with a 2020 budget that accounts for sequestration in addition to the regular 2020 budget.

Congress has until Jan. 15, 2020, to come up with a deal that forestalls sequestration, said Todd Harrison, an analyst with the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

The Navy declined to directly comment on specific 2020 proposed budget cuts, according to a Navy spokesperson.

"[Program Objective Memorandum-20] POM-20 is currently in progress and we will not comment on pre-decisional budgetary matters," said Lt. Lauren Chatmas. "What I can tell you is that anything you may have seen about POM-20 are just options as we strive to find the best balance to support the defense strategy while also being responsible stewards of taxpayer dollars. This is what the POM process is for — to review all accounts in determining the best balance of investments."

Harrison said that if history is any guide, Congress will likely cruise into 2020 under a continuing resolution that holds the budget

at 2019 levels and then cut a deal at the last minute.

“It will be close, it will look like we won’t get a deal; and then, at the last moment, Congress will make a deal,” Harrison said.

### **SEALS SHIFT FOCUS FROM TERRORISM TO MAJOR THREATS?**



As the Navy faces increased threats from major global powers, special warfare teams like the SEALs are shifting focus from terrorism to the [threat of a big war](#) with China, Russia, Iran or North Korea, says Vice Chief of Naval Operations ADM Bill Moran ’81, USN. Naval Special Warfare Command head RADM Collin Green ’86, USN, recognizes this increase and is focused on mental health throughout the elite units.

### **BUCHANAN ’92 TO BE NEXT ’DANT**



### **Navy names career submariner as next Naval Academy commandant**

The Navy has named a career submariner currently working for the [Joint Chiefs of Staff](#) as the next commandant of midshipmen at the Naval Academy.

Capt. Thomas R. “TR” Buchanan is a 1992 graduate of the academy. He will replace Capt. Robert Chadwick, who has served since July 2017.

When Buchanan arrives on the Yard this summer, it will be part of a complete turnover of top academy leadership. Vice Admiral Walter E. “Ted” Carter Jr., currently the academy superintendent, is set to end his tour this summer as well. A new superintendent has not been named.

The commandant is similar to the dean of students at a civilian university and is responsible for the day-to-day conduct, military training and professional development of more than 4,400 midshipmen.

Often dubbed the “dant,” the commandant is the second in command at the academy and serves under the superintendent. Unlike the superintendent, whose appointment must be confirmed by the Senate, the commandant is strictly a Navy choice.

Buchanan currently serves as the executive assistant to the director of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Marine Lt. Gen. Kenneth F. McKenzie Jr. The director assists the joint chiefs, which serve as advisers to the president on military matters.

Buchanan has served in attack and ballistic missile submarines during his career. His most recent fleet assignment was as commander of Submarine Squadron 20, made up of five Ohio class ballistic subs, from March 2016 to August 2017.

After graduating from the Naval Academy, he attended George Washington University.

Buchanan is expected to take over his new assignment after commencement in May.

Commandants generally serve in the post for two years.

Carter is the 62nd superintendent and began his tour in 2014. He graduated from the Naval Academy in 1981 and went on to serve as a naval aviator, aircraft carrier commander and head of the Naval War College.

### **ARMSTRONG '99: THE FUTURE OF THE MARITIME WORLD**



### **The Past, Present, and Future of Navies and the Maritime World**

2018 was bookended by the publication of two documents that will play important roles in the way the United States considers naval and maritime affairs. In January, the administration released the National Defense Strategy, setting the tone for much of the thinking and writing in the past year. The strategy addressed the return of great power competition and highlighted issues in the maritime domain, including the South China Sea, as an example of an area of growing disorder. And last week's release of Adm. John Richardson's A Design for Maintaining Maritime Superiority 2.0 offers specific explanation of how the chief of naval operations sees the U.S. Navy's place in a changing world. Richardson noted the National Defense Strategy's orientation toward great power competition and explained the Navy's plans for it. Over the

past 12 months, the writing and thinking here at War on the Rocks has addressed a wealth of naval and maritime-related subjects, which can help develop the thinking behind the National Defense Strategy and Richardson's Design as the services move toward implementing both documents. Our contributors delved into geography, technology, policy and, especially, history, to further our collective understanding of the maritime future of a multipolar world.

Great power competition in the 21st century is by definition a maritime subject. Naval history and, in particular, the story of how the Unified Command Plan developed can inform the question of how the Department of Defense should be organized for increasing competition and, more broadly, how to succeed at organizational change. Several authors examined the maritime competition that might develop from increasing access to the Arctic, coming up with differing assessments of the risks involved and tools to address them. From the Arctic Ocean to the Pacific Ocean, maritime tension seems to be on the rise around the world. The United States wasn't the only Pacific power to reassess strategy in 2018: The Chinese have reexamined their approach to the maritime world, which in turn has caused Japan-watchers and the Japanese to consider significant adjustments to the naval elements of "self-defense," as well as Taiwan. In partnership with the Foreign Policy Research Initiative, War on the Rocks made a deep dive (submariner pun intended) into the Black Sea and the maritime conflicts that continue to fester on the frontiers of Europe. Maritime diplomacy, naval partnership, and the ocean-spanning nature of trade and economics all create opportunities as well as challenges for the exercise of seapower in the 21st century. This reality, when combined with an understanding of how great powers have leveraged the sea in the past, promises that

the continued competition in today's multipolar world will be deeply naval. Richardson's *Design* gives significant attention to the technology, weapons, and acquisition programs needed for the future. These subjects have generated a wealth of discussion here as well. Experts have examined the rapidly approaching challenge of swarming drones at sea, the future of artificial intelligence and machine learning in naval conflict, and the interplay between the navy and the space domain. Beyond technology, there are also more classical concerns like the challenges of logistics and fuel in future conflict in maritime regions. In addition, a healthy discussion of how to judge the past and future effectiveness of unmanned aircraft highlighted the complications of assessing new weapons and new technologies. This has important implications for the U.S. Navy's enhanced timelines for unmanned systems laid out in the *Design*.

Marines and amphibious thinkers were also very busy in 2018. This cohort brought innovative thinking on the future of amphibious conflict to these pages, including discussions of the potential future of Warbot Companies, the future of the U.S. Marine Corps in the Pacific littorals, the Marine Corps' role when "not yet openly at war, but still mostly at peace," and the roles and missions of amphibious forces more widely. While the ideas are creative and new, authors also built on the deep history of amphibious innovation. As Sir Julian Corbett liked to point out, the ultimate power of naval forces lies in the way they interact with events on shore, which is just as true today as when Corbett reflected on great power competition and war a century ago.

In the 1.0 edition of the *Design for Maintaining Maritime Superiority*, Richardson highlighted the importance of historical understanding and wisdom derived

from the naval past. While the 2.0 edition skips ahead to the future, here at War on the Rocks historians have helped develop a deeper understanding of maritime friction and conflict. From 19th-century examples of failed naval diplomacy and maritime security operations, to the recent anniversaries of the Marine Corps' Battle of Belleau Wood and the Navy's fight during the Tet Offensive in the Mekong Delta, War on the Rocks articles have set sail to explain history in width, depth, and context. As David Morgan Owen reminded readers in his discussion of the use of history in strategic deliberations, sometimes "we must cast our lens away from the realm of military operations and focus on issues such as culture, organization, and strategy, in order to make meaningful comparisons." As the new year begins, War on the Rocks authors have not solved the problems of the naval or maritime world. However, they have uncovered many new ideas, developed cogent analysis of the problems faced across the seven seas, and shared creative thoughts on addressing the near future. As Olivia Garard reminded readers, today's regional powers are moving beyond their local seas to raise their global influence specifically on the world's oceans. Thus, potential areas of friction and conflict are likely to be in the naval and maritime domains. Addressing them will require a sophisticated knowledge of the maritime past and present in order to plan for the maritime future.

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## [USNA 79er DATABASE, ETC.](#)



1 – [Welcome to the Area / Newsletter](#) –  
New additions this month include: None.  
Updates include: James Isom, Steve Smith,  
Guy Turnquist

## [DC AREA 79er COORDINATOR](#)

HOME – [Kirk.Michealson@1979.USNA.com](mailto:Kirk.Michealson@1979.USNA.com)  
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## [HOW DO YOU UPDATE YOUR PROFILE ON USNA.COM?](#)

(same as last month)

The Class of 1979 Leadership relies on the information contained in the USNA Alumni Association database to maintain our contact with you. Changes to your Alumni Profile can only be made by you – the Class Leadership is not able to do this for you.

It is very important to stay in communications with your Class by email and regular mail, as well as telephone contact in order to stay informed through SHIPMATE articles and the Class Column and Class President emails. Please follow the following instructions to change and update your Alumni Profile.

Steps to Update your USNA Alumni Association Profile:

- Step 1: Go to [www.usna.com](http://www.usna.com).
- Step 2: Click on Sign In.

- Step 3: Under Online Community, enter your User Name and Password, then click on Login.

(Forgot your User Name and/or Password? Follow the link for Forgotten Password. Do NOT use the New User Registration unless you have never registered an account – highly unlikely.)

- Step 4: Scroll over to Stay Connected, then click on My Account.
- Step 5: Click on Update Your Profile.
- Step 6: Scroll through your Personal Information and update the appropriate fields. Ensure your Mailing Address and email address are correct. After completing your updates, click on the Update button at the bottom of the page. I suggest you then re-verify all updates. Please Note the Keep Private options for any or all of your information. Use them if you feel it is necessary.
- Step 7: Click Sign out.

Consider signing up for ClassMail if you have not already done so. ClassMail acts as a forwarding service to whatever email address you specify. For it to work you must keep current the email address at which you want to receive these forwarded messages.

The Main Benefit of ClassMail is you can give all of your contacts your ClassMail address and they will never need to change where to email you when you change your email from one address to another (i.e., from [name@aol.com](mailto:name@aol.com) to [name79@comcast.net](mailto:name79@comcast.net).) If you need any further assistance, you may contact the Alumni Association or let me know.

## [HOW DO YOU FIND CLASSMATES?](#)

(same as last month)

If you want to find contact information on our classmates or other Naval Academy grads, you can use an Alumni Tool called

Alumni Lookup. Of course, our classmates or other grads must enter their information in the system, but if they did, you can find it.

When you Log in at [www.usna.com](http://www.usna.com) go all the way to the bottom right of the page and you will see an “Alumni Lookup” button. Click that. A login page for USNA.com will open it for you to enter your information and then agree with the user agreement.

Then you enter fill in the search fields, click search, and your results will show up in a box below the search fields.

That’s it. Happy hunting! Hopefully, our classmates and other alumni will be registered.