2011 Commissioning Week Schedule of Events

Friday, May 20, 2011

2 p.m. **Seamanship & Navigation Awards Ceremony**, Robert Crown Sailing Center, B,F

7:15 p.m. **Jewish Baccalaureate Service**, Levy Chapel, B,G, Informal

Saturday, May 21, 2011

7-11:55 p.m. **Ring Dance**, Dahlgren Hall, 2012, F, Formal

Sunday, May 22, 2011

Baccalaureate Sunday

8 a.m. **Morning Colors**, T-Court, B,G

8 a.m.-4 p.m. **Yard Patrol Craft Static Displays**, Farragut Seawall, B,F

8:15 a.m. **Protestant Holy Communion Service**, St. Andrew's Chapel, B,G, Informal

8:30 a.m. **Catholic Baccalaureate Mass**, Main Chapel, B,G, Informal

10-10:30 a.m. **USNA Band Chapel Walk Concert**, Zimmerman Bandstand, B,G

11 a.m. **Protestant Baccalaureate Worship Service**, Main Chapel, B,G, Informal

11:30 a.m. **Catholic Mass**, St. Andrew's Chapel, B,G, Informal

noon-12:30 p.m. **USNA Band Chapel Walk Concert**, Zimmerman Bandstand, B,G

2-4 p.m. N* Reception, Athletic Director's, 16 Porter Road, 2011(RSVP Only), F(RSVP Only), Informal

4:30-8 p.m. **Superintendent's Reception**, Buchanan House Gardens (weather alt. Dahlgren Hall) 2011(1&2 Batt) & four guests per midshipman, Informal (tickets required)

Monday, May 23, 2011

8 a.m. **Morning Colors**, T-Court, B,G

8 a.m.-4 p.m. **Yard Patrol Craft Static Displays**, Farragut Seawall, B,F

9:45-11:15 a.m. **Vehicle Access to Worden Field via Gate 8 Restricted** in support of the Color Parade

10 a.m. **Color Parade**, Worden Field, *B,G, Tickets required for bleacher seating (weather alt Alumni Hall, *B(Desig), F)

11:15 a.m. **Silent Drill Team Performance**, T-Court, B,G

12:05 p.m. **Noon Meal Formation**, T-Court, *B,G, Casual

12:15 p.m. **Trident Brass Concert**, Zimmerman Bandstand, B,G

12:50-1:20 p.m. **Weekday Mass**, St. Andrew's Chapel, B,G

1:30 p.m. **Class of 2014 Herndon Climb**, Herndon Monument, 2014,G

3:30-4:30 p.m. **Systems Engineering Project Demonstration**, Maury Lab Deck, 2011(Desig),F

4:30-8 p.m. **Superintendent's Reception**, Buchanan House Gardens (weather alt. Dahlgren Hall) 2011(3&4 Batt) & four guests per midshipman, Informal (tickets required)

7:30 p.m. **Men's Glee Club Commissioning Week Concert**, Mahan Hall, B,G (tickets $15 or $18 on sale through MWF Ticket Office at 410-293-8497 or www.tickets.com)

Tuesday, May 24, 2011

8 a.m. **Morning Colors**, T-Court, B,G

8-9:45 a.m. **Engineering & Weapons Division Awards Ceremony**, Mahan Hall, B,F

8-10 a.m. **Yard Patrol Craft Static Displays**, Farragut Seawall, B,F

9-10 a.m. **Operations Analysis Subspecialty Code Awards Ceremony**, Chauvenet 100, 2011(Desig), F, Informal

10-11:45 a.m. **USMC Family Orientation/Awards Ceremony**, Alumni Hall, *2011(USMC Sel), F

10-12 noon **Engineering & Weapons Division Open House**, Rickover Lab Deck, B,F

10:45 a.m. **USNA (Route 450) Bridge Closes**

11 a.m.-1 p.m. **Blue Angels Circle & Arrival**, Severn River, B,G

11 a.m.-4 p.m. **USNA Gates Close to Incoming Traffic**

12:05 p.m. **Noon Meal Formation**, T-Court, *B,G, Casual

12:50-1:20 p.m. **Weekday Mass**, St. Andrew's Chapel, B,G

1 p.m. **USNA (Route 450) Bridge Opens**

1 p.m. **Pipes & Drums Performance**, T-Court (weather alt. Rotunda), B,G

1:45 p.m. **USNA (Route 450) Bridge Closes**

2 p.m. **Blue Angels Flight Rehearsal**, Severn River, B,G, Casual

4 p.m. **USNA Gates Open** at 4 p.m. or conclusion of the Blue Angels Flight Rehearsal

4 p.m. **USNA (Route 450) Bridge Opens** at 4 p.m. or conclusion of the Blue Angels Flight Rehearsal

4:30-8 p.m. **Superintendent's Reception**, Buchanan House Gardens (weather alt. Dahlgren Hall) 2011(5&6 Batt) & four guests per midshipman, Informal (tickets required)

7:30 p.m. **Women's Glee Club Commissioning Week Concert**, Mahan Hall, B,G (tickets $15 or $18 on sale through MWF Ticket Office at 410-293-8497 or www.tickets.com)

Wednesday, May 25, 2011

8 a.m. **Morning Colors**, T-Court, B,G

8 a.m.-noon **Yard Patrol Craft Static Displays**, Farragut Seawall, B,F

9:30-10:30 a.m. **Cyber Awards Ceremony**, Dahlgren Class of 1953 Area, B,F

10-11 a.m. **Navy Sailing Awards Ceremony**, Robert Crown Sailing Center, *B(Desig), F, Informal

10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. **Mathematics & Science Division Awards Ceremony**, Mahan Auditorium, 2011(Desig), F, Informal

10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. **Humanities & Social Sciences Division Awards Ceremony**, Memorial Hall, 2011(Desig), F, Parents, Informal

11 a.m.-4 p.m. **USNA Gates Close to Incoming Traffic**

12:05 p.m. **Noon Meal Formation/Brigade Change-of-Command Ceremony**, T-Court, *B,G, Casual

12:45 p.m. **USNA Band Concert**, Ingram Field, B,G

12:50-1:50 p.m. **Navy & Marine Assn. Awards Ceremony**, Dahlgren Class of 1953 Area, *B(Desig), F, Informal

12:50-1:20 p.m. **Weekday Mass**, St. Andrew's Chapel, B,G

1 p.m. **Electric Brigade Concert**, Hospital Point, B,G (No tickets required)

1:45 p.m. **USNA (Route 450) Bridge Closes**

2 p.m. **Blue Angels Flight Demonstration**, Severn River, B,G, Casual

4 p.m. **Commissioning Week Organ Concert by Monte Maxwell**, Main Chapel, B,G (tickets $15 on sale through MWF Ticket Office at 410-293-8497 or www.tickets.com)

4 p.m. **USNA Gates Open** at 4 p.m. or conclusion of the Blue Angels Flight Demonstration

4 p.m. **USNA (Route 450) Bridge Opens** at 4 p.m. or conclusion of the Blue Angels Flight Demonstration

7:30-11 p.m. **Graduation Ball**, Dalhgren Hall, B,F, Formal (No tickets required)

Thursday, May 26, 2011

8 a.m. **Morning Colors**, T-Court, B,G

8 a.m.-4 p.m. **Yard Patrol Craft Static Displays**, Farragut Seawall, B,F

9 a.m. **Leadership Education and Development (LEAD) Division Awards**, Luce Hall (Rotunda), B,F

10-10:45 a.m. **Midshipmen Community Service Awards Ceremony**, Memorial Hall, B(Desig), F

10:50 a.m. **Silent Drill Team Performance**, Worden Field, B,F

11 a.m. **USMC Battle Color Detachment Performance with Drum and Bugle Corps, Silent Drill Platoon and Color Guard**, Worden Field, B,F

12:50-1:20 p.m. **Weekday Mass**, St. Andrew's Chapel, B,G

1:15-1:45 p.m. **Dean's Award for Academic Excellence by Varsity Athletic Team**, Mahan Auditorium, *B(Desig), F, Informal

2-4 p.m. **Prizes & Awards Ceremony & Reception**, Alumni Hall, *B(Desig), F, Informal

4:30-6 p.m. **Pi Sigma Alpha Awards Ceremony**, Dahlgren Class of 1953 Area, *2011(Desig), F, Informal

7:30 p.m. **Gospel Choir Commissioning Week Concert**, Mahan Hall, B,G (tickets $15, $18 on sale through MWF Ticket Office at 410-293-8497 or www.tickets.com)

Friday, May 27, 2011

5:30 a.m. **Parking Gates 2 & 5 Open**, Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium

6:30 a.m. **Parking Gates 1, 3A & 6 Open**, Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium

7 a.m. **All Stadium Gates Open to Guests**, Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, F

10 a.m. **Class of 2011 Graduation**, Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium (alt Alumni Hall for those with Indoor Graduation tickets only), *B,F, Informal, Tickets required

10:04 a.m. **Blue Angels Graduation Fly-By**, Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, B,F

1 p.m. **Air Force, Army, Coast Guard Commissioning Ceremonies**, Banquet Room (glass doors adjacent to Stadium Gate B), Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, *2011(Desig), F

1-2:30 p.m. **Graduation Photo/Swearing-In Ceremony**, Superintendent's Tent Area, Navy-Marine Corps Mem. Stadium, 2011, F, Informal

- Immediately following ceremony until 2:30 p.m.
- No sign-up - UNOFFICIAL/Self-Serve
- First-come, first-served basis
- Laminated copy of Oath of Office available
- NO PHOTOGRAPHER present
- ENS/2ndLT: Dress Uniform

USNA Key
Participation

* - Mandatory
B - All Midn
F - Guests
G - General Public
Desig - Designated

For up-to-date information on Commissioning Week activities, phone **410-293-1000**.

Updated schedule information will be posted to www.usna.edu/SpecialEvents/CommWeek.htm.

(schedule as of 5/06/11, subject to change)

General Information

The Armel-Leftwich Visitor Center and Naval Academy Gift Shop are open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. At the Visitor Center, daily tours are given from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday and noon-3 p.m. on Sunday. Phone 410-293-TOUR(8687) (Guided Tours), 410-293-4438 (Gift Shop) or check the Visitor Center web site www.navyonline.com. Stop by to see the exhibit, USNA Graduates in Space, which accompanies the Freedom 7 space capsule, and the new displays on the second deck. Midshipmen and their parents receive a 10% discount at the Gift Shop.

The Naval Academy Museum (410-293-2108) is open Monday-Saturday 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m.-5 p.m. during Commissioning Week. The Museum Store opens an hour later at 9 a.m. Monday-Saturday and closes at 5 p.m. and is open Sunday 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

The **Midshipmen Store** (410-293-2392) is open special hours for Commissioning Week:

Sunday, May 22 and Saturday, May 28	10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Monday-Friday, May 23-27	8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Dahlgren Hall's Drydock Restaurant (410-293-2873) is open Saturday and Sunday, May 21 & 22, and Saturday, May 28, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Monday, May 23, to Thursday, May 26, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Friday, May 27, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Drydock serves breakfast, fast food, pizza, sandwiches, and salads.

Concession Stands
Monday to Thursday 9 a.m.-3 p.m. – Lunch concessions in vicinity of Dahlgren Hall.
Monday 11 a.m. – Food and souvenirs on Balch Road in support of Color Parade.
Monday 1:30 p.m. – Food and souvenirs in vicinity of Zimmerman Bandstand in support of Herndon.
Tuesday and Wednesday 11 a.m.-3 p.m. – Food and souvenirs on Hospital Point for Blue Angels Practice and Show.

The U.S. Naval Academy Bridge will be closed for the Blue Angels' rehearsal on Tuesday from 10:45 a.m. until 1 p.m. and from 1:45 p.m. until completion of rehearsal (approximately 4 p.m.). For their demonstration on Wednesday, the Bridge will be closed from 1:45 p.m. until the show is over (approximately 4 p.m.). Tuesday and Wednesday, Gate 8 will remain open to staff, faculty, residents and high priority case-by-case delivery vehicular traffic. Gates 1 and 3 will remain open for pedestrian traffic but will be closed to vehicular traffic.

Security Information

All persons over the age of 16 must have a valid government issued picture ID such as a U.S. issued drivers license or passport. Vehicles without Department of Defense decals are not permitted on the Naval Academy grounds. Handicapped visitors may bring vehicles onto USNA with handicapped plates or placards. During operational hours (7 a.m.-3:30 p.m.) they will need to get a one-day pass at the Visitors Access Center at Gate 1. After 3:30 p.m. and on weekends and holidays passes will be issued at the gate. All vehicles entering the Naval Academy are subject to search. Due to heightened security posture, visitors may experience delays. Please plan accordingly. **For the most up-to-date security information, visit *www.usna.edu/SpecialEvents/CommWeek.htm.***

Traffic, Parking and Pedestrian Rules

Due to ongoing construction on the Yard, parking will be very limited. Parking restrictions are strictly enforced in red curb zones. Only official vehicles may park by white curbing.

Speed limit on USNA is 15 miles per hour or as posted. All traffic must yield to midshipmen marching in formation and pedestrians in crosswalks. Seat belt usage is required at the Naval Academy, for front and back seat occupants. Earphones may not be worn on the Academy while walking, jogging, bicycling, or driving a vehicle. Roller skating/blading is not allowed on Naval Academy grounds. **Animals may not be brought on Academy grounds during Commissioning Week**. Possession and consumption of alcohol on Academy grounds is prohibited.

Guest Attire Guidelines

Informal

Military women and men: Summer White; officers of other services will wear the corresponding uniform of their service

Civilian women: Suits; street length, mid-length long skirts or dresses as current styles dictate; pantsuits

Civilian men: Business suit

Children: Attire to correspond with adults

Formal

Military women and men: Dinner Dress White Jacket; officers of other services will wear the corresponding uniform of their service

Civilian women: Long formal gowns, dressy cocktail suits, dressy cocktail dresses

Civilian men: Black tie; tuxedo

Children: Attire to correspond with adults

Casual

Military women and men: Summer White; officers of other services will wear the corresponding uniform of their service

Civilian women: Slacks, walking shorts, capri pants, sporty skirts, sundresses

Civilian men: Khakis, polo or sports shirts, walking shorts

Children: Attire to correspond with adults

For up-to-date information, contact the U.S. Naval Academy's web site www.usna.edu/SpecialEvents/CommWeek.htm. Updated information will also be available via phone at 410-293-1000.

Park at Stadium; Take the Shuttle to USNA

Due to ongoing construction on the Yard, parking will be very limited. Only cars with DOD stickers and handicapped tags (display your handicap placard) will be permitted on the Naval Academy grounds. Parking will be provided at the Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium. Families of 1/C midshipmen will be given one vehicular parking tag (rear view mirror type) that must be displayed for free parking at the stadium during Commissioning Week. All other guests/visitors must pay the daily parking fee ($5/car and $10/RV). All Commissioning Week parking will be on the Blue (West) Side of the stadium, with entry and egress through Gate #5 on Taylor Avenue. No overnight parking is permitted at the stadium. On graduation day (May 27) parking is free for those with graduation tickets, on a first come, first served basis. Parking Gates 2 & 5 open at 5:30 a.m.; parking Gates 1, 3A & 6 open at 6:30 a.m. All stadium gates open to guests at 7 a.m. on graduation day.

Shuttle Bus Schedule

Shuttle buses will operate to and from the Navy Marine Corps Memorial Stadium and USNA during the following times:

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday, May 23, 24 & 26	7 a.m.-11 p.m.
*Wednesday, May 25 (extended hours)	7 a.m.-midnight.

During these hours one bus will make stops at Alumni Hall, Preble Hall, Dahlgren Hall, Visitor Center and Luce Hall (by the Midshipmen Store Parking Lot) at approximately 30-minute intervals. The best and primary location to meet a bus for transportation to and from the stadium is Alumni Hall.

In support of the Herndon Climb and the Blue Angels Flight Rehearsal and Demonstration, the ONLY drop-off and pick-up point for the shuttle bus will be in front of Alumni Hall during the following hours:

Monday, May 23	noon - conclusion of Herndon Climb
Tuesday, May 24	noon - 5 p.m.
Wednesday, May 25	11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

No shuttle buses will operate on graduation day, Friday, May 27, unless weather dictates that the ceremony be moved into Alumni Hall. If that occurs, buses will run from the stadium to Alumni Hall for the indoor ceremony ticket holders only. To determine the venue of graduation, call the USNA update phone line at 410-293-1000 or visit the web site at **www.usna.edu/SpecialEvents/CommWeek.htm**.

Stadium Gates

All gates open at 7 a.m., with the exception of Gate D which opens at 6 a.m. Gate D is for press only at 6 a.m. At 7 a.m., Gate D will become an entry gate like all others.

The **Blue Side** of the stadium contains gates	**A, B, C, D**
The **Gold Side** of the stadium contains gates	**M, N, O, P**

Wheelchair accessible seating at the Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium can be accessed by utilizing the ramps located adjacent to Sections 8 and 25.

Stadium Prohibited Items *(items ok to bring on the Yard have an asterisk)*

The following items are PROHIBITED from entering through the gates. Individuals shall be allowed entrance ONLY after disposing or securing prohibited items. Furthermore, screeners will NOT "hold" items; the owner must dispose of or secure the item(s) in their vehicle, etc.

- Weapons/knives of any type, to include ceremonial swords
- Umbrellas*
- Bags larger than a typical purse (i.e., duffle bags, back packs, large camera bags, etc.)
- Mace
- Outside food or drink*
- Anything that may be considered a weapon or a threat by screeners

Attendees have been reminded that the above items, along with valuables, should be left at home or secured in their vehicle prior to getting in line at the security checkpoint.

Umbrella strollers and wheelchairs are allowed into the site after they have been visually swept. Cameras and cell phones are acceptable.

Times and policy on graduation day subject to change without notice based upon security requirements.

Determination of graduation site will be made early Friday morning and posted on the USNA web site or available by calling 410-293-1000. **In case of inclement weather**, graduation will be held at 10 a.m. in Alumni Hall. Only designated indoor ticket holders will be admitted. (Children under 15 years of age, unless related to a member of the graduating class or accompanied by an adult, will not be admitted to the graduation exercises.) The Naval Academy is exploring remote broadcasting options for those without tickets. Please consult ***www.usna.edu/SpecialEvents/CommWeek.htm*** for further information.

UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY

Commissioning Week Class of 2011

Program of Events

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