2012 Commissioning Week Schedule of Events

Saturday, May 19, 2012

7-11:55 p.m. **Ring Dance**, Dahlgren Hall, 2013, F, Formal

Tuesday, May 22, 2012

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

1:30 p.m. **Class of 2015 Herndon Climb**, Herndon Monument, B, G

Wednesday, May 23, 2012—Commissioning Week Commences

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

8 a.m.-noon **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. *Please do not walk or sit on field before or during parade.**B, G, Tickets required for bleacher seating (weather alt Alumni Hall, *B (Desig), F), Informal

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

12:50 p.m. **Navy & Marine Assn. Awards Ceremony**, Memorial Hall, *B (Desig), F, Informal

1:30 p.m. **Pi Sigma Alpha Awards Ceremony**, Mahan Auditorium, *2012 (Desig), F, Informal

2:30 p.m. **Cyber Awards Ceremony**, Mahan Auditorium, B, F

4:30 p.m. **Navy Sailing Awards Ceremony**, Robert Crown Sailing Center, *B (Desig), F, Informal

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

Thursday, May 24, 2012

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

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

8-8:30 a.m. **Dean's Award for Academic Excellence by Varsity Athletic Team**, Mahan Auditorium, *B (Desig), F, Informal

9-11 a.m. **Prizes & Awards Ceremony & Reception**, Alumni Hall, *B (Desig), F, Informal

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

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

1:30-3 p.m. **Engineering & Weapons Division Awards Ceremony**, Alumni Hall, B, F, Informal

1:30-3 p.m **Humanities & Social Sciences Division Awards Ceremony**, Memorial Hall, 2012 (Desig), B, F, Informal

1:30-3:30 p.m **Mathematics & Science Division Awards Ceremony**, Mahan Auditorium, 2012 (Desig), B, F, Informal

3:15-4:45 p.m. **Engineering & Weapons Division Open House**, Rickover Lab Deck, B, F, Informal

3:15-5 p.m. **Systems Engineering Project Demonstration**, Maury Lab Deck, 2012 (Desig), B, F, Informal

3:45 p.m. **Leadership Education & Development (LEAD) Division Awards Ceremony**, Luce Hall (Rotunda), B, F, Informal

4:30-8 p.m. **Superintendent's Reception**, Buchanan House Gardens (weather alt. Dahlgren Hall), 2012 (1 & 2 Batt) & four guests per midshipman, Informal (tickets required)

Friday, May 25, 2012

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

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

8-9:45 a.m. **USMC Family Orientation/Awards Ceremony**, Alumni Hall, *2012 (USMC Sel), F, Informal

9-10 a.m. **Operations Analysis Subspecialty Code Awards Ceremony**, Chauvenet 100, 2012 (Desig), F, Informal

10-10:50 a.m. **Midshipmen Community Service Awards Ceremony**, Memorial Hall, B (Desig), F, Informal

11:30-11:50 a.m. **USNA Pipes & Drums Performance**, T-Court, B, G

11:50-noon **USNA Silent Drill Team Performance**, T-Court, B, G, Casual

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

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

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

Saturday, May 26, 2012

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

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

4:30-8 p.m. **Superintendent's Reception**, Buchanan House Gardens (weather alt. Dahlgren Hall), 2012 (3 & 4 Batt) & four guests per midshipman, Informal (tickets required)

8 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)

Sunday, May 27, 2012

Baccalaureate Sunday

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

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, 2012 (RSVP Only), F (RSVP Only), Informal

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)

4:30-8 p.m. **Superintendent's Reception**, Buchanan House Gardens (weather alt. Dahlgren Hall), 2012 (5 & 6 Batt) & four guests per midshipman, Informal (tickets required)

8 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)

Monday, May 28, 2012

Memorial Day (observed)

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

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)

Tuesday, May 29, 2012

6 a.m. **Parking Gates Open**, Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium

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

10 a.m. **Class of 2012 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. **Inter-Service Commissioning Ceremonies**, Banquet Room (glass doors adjacent to Stadium Gate B), Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, *2012 (Desig), F

1-2:30 p.m. **Graduation Photo/Swearing-In Ceremony**, Superintendent's Tent Area, Navy-Marine Corps Mem. Stadium, 2012, 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
T - Tentative

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

Updated schedule information posted at ***http://www.usna.edu/SpecialEvents/CommWeek/***

(schedule as of 5/1/12, 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 or 1-800-778-4260 (Gift Shop) or check the Visitor Center web site www.navyonline.com. Midshipmen and their parents receive a 10% discount at the Gift Shop. All sales are tax exempt and shipping services are available.

During Commissioning Week, the **Naval Academy Museum** (410-293-2108) is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. The **Museum Store** (410-293-7447) is open Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The **Midshipmen Store** (410-293-2392) is open special hours for Commissioning Week: Monday - Wednesday, May 21-23 from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Thursday - Friday, May 24-25 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, May 26-27 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Monday and Tuesday, May 28 - 29 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Authorized patrons only. Parents/guardians and midshipmen families are authorized but must present shopping cards or special Commissioning Week name tags.

Dahlgren Hall's Drydock Restaurant (410-293-2873) is open Saturday and Sunday, May 19 and 20, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Monday through Friday, May 21 to 25, from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, May 26 and 27, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Monday, May 28 from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.; and Tuesday, May 29 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Drydock serves breakfast, fast food, pizza, sandwiches, and salads and is open to the general public.

During Commissioning week, the **Naval Academy Club** will offer special hours and permit families of graduating midshipmen to dine: Tuesday, May 22 through Friday, May 25 and Monday, May 28—11 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Monday, May 21, Saturday, May 26 and Tuesday May 29—11 am to 3 pm; and Sunday Brunch, May 27—10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. seatings. Reservations are required for dining and may be made at 410-293-2632. Dress code standards apply when visiting the Club.

Concession Stands
Concessions will be offered Tuesday, May 22, in the vicinity of Herndon Monument and Wednesday and Friday, May 23 and 25, near Worden Field.

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 or Midshipman Parent's Passes 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 *http://www.usna.edu/SpecialEvents/CommWeek/***

Traffic, Parking and Pedestrian Rules

Parking on the Yard is 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. Anyone driving a motor vehicle on the Naval Academy cannot use a cell phone unless the vehicle is safely parked or the driver is using a hands-free device. Earphones may not be worn on the Academy while 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, except at USNA-sponsored events.

Guest Attire Guidelines

Informal

Military women and men:
Navy—Summer White
USMC—Dress Blue Delta
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:
Navy—Dinner Dress White Jacket
USMC—Evening Dress Bravo or Blue-White Dress Alpha
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:
Navy—Summer White
USMC—Dress Blue Delta
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
http://www.usna.edu/SpecialEvents/CommWeek/
Updated information will also be available via phone at 410-293-1000.

Park at Stadium; Take the Shuttle to USNA

Parking on the Yard is very limited. On weekdays, only cars with DOD stickers and handicapped tags (display your handicap placard) will be permitted to park 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 29) parking is free for those with graduation tickets, on a first come, first served basis. Parking gates open at 6 a.m. Stadium gates and concession stands 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:

Tuesday, May 22 (in support of Herndon)	11 a.m.- 6 p.m.
Wednesday, May 23	7 a.m.- midnight.
Thursday, May 24	7 a.m.- 9 p.m.
Friday, May 25	7 a.m.- 9 p.m.
Saturday, May 26 and Sunday, May 27	7 a.m.- 10 p.m.
Monday, 28	6 p.m.- 10 p.m.

During these hours, buses will transport guests between the stadium and Alumni Hall.

No shuttle buses will operate on graduation day, Tuesday, May 29, 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 ***http://www.usna.edu/SpecialEvents/CommWeek/***.

Stadium Gates

All gates in the stadium open at 7 a.m., with the exception of Gate D which opens at 6 a.m. for press only. 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

The following items are PROHIBITED from entering through the gates:

Weapons/knives of any type, to include ceremonial swords
Bags larger than a typical purse (i.e., duffle bags, back packs, large camera bags, etc.)
Any item deemed by management to be dangerous or inappropriate: Mace, bottles, coolers, alcoholic beverages, folding chairs, camera tripods, noise makers, large strollers, pets.

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.

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 Tuesday 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.) For those who will not be attending the event, the 2012 Graduation and Commissioning ceremony can be viewed live on ***www.PentagonChannel.mil***. Additional details will be available on ***http://www.usna.edu/SpecialEvents/CommWeek/***

United States Naval Academy

Commissioning Week Class of 2012

Program of Events

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