

## **Information for Naval Academy Parents Network**

### **Naval Academy Events**

The following updated information is provided regarding upcoming Naval Academy events. Parents should continue to refer to the Master Schedule, available online at <http://www.usna.edu/PAO/calendars.htm>, for the most recent information.

### **Recognition Week**

The week during which Sea Trials and Herndon occur is no longer called Recognition Week. Completing Plebe Year is an important first step in the development of midshipmen, but it is just one of many significant elements in a four-year process. Sea Trials and Herndon will occur and the formerly official Recognition Ceremony and Plebe Parents Dinner have been discontinued.

**Sea Trials** - Sea Trials, the culminating Plebe Year professional development event, will occur on 13 May.

**Herndon** - Parents are invited to observe the 15 May Herndon Monument Ceremony.

**Recognition Ceremony**- The Plebe Recognition Ceremony has been disestablished. Plebe recognition will occur without ceremony upon completion of Herndon. Promotion to Midshipman Third Class will occur upon graduation of the Class of 2008 on 23 May.

**Plebe and Parents Dinner** - The Plebe and Parents Dinner has been disestablished. Plebe recognition will occur without ceremony upon completion of Herndon, and Plebe parents are welcome to dine with their midshipman in King Hall that evening, on an informal, non-ceremonial basis

### **Graduation and Commissioning Week**

**Dedication Parade**- The Dedication Parade, held in honor of specific Naval Academy faculty, is scheduled for 11am on Monday, 19 May on Worden Field. Parents and guests are welcome to attend.

**Blue Angels** - The Blue Angels Flight Demonstration is scheduled for 2pm on Wednesday, 21 May. Parents and guests are welcome to attend.

**Prizes and Awards Ceremony** - The Prizes and Awards Ceremony is scheduled for 2pm, on Thursday 22 May in Alumni Hall. Parents and guests are welcome to attend.

**Color Parade** - The Color Parade, held in honor of the Color Company - the Company which through academic, professional and athletic excellence, has distinguished itself as best in the Brigade – is scheduled for 4pm on Thursday, 22 May on Worden Field. Parents and guests are welcome to attend.

**Graduation and Commissioning** - Graduation and Commissioning occurs at 10am on Friday, 23 May at Navy Marine Corps Memorial Stadium (or in Alumni Hall in the event of rain) and is open by invitation only to parents and guests. Please note that is a ticketed event with limited seating.