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Parents' Club of Mississippi Fall 2018 Newsletter

Welcome Plebe & Prep School Parents!

Congratulations on the induction of your student into the Naval Academy Brigade of Midshipmen and to those inducted into prep schools!

This parent club is here to provide information to families and friends of our Midshipmen and Midshipmen candidates. In addition, membership and club dues are used to support our Mids throughout their time at USNA through projects such as cookie deliveries, dark ages "happies", 1/C flags, 2/C proclamations, and support for Mississippi Congressional Academy Days to encourage more Mississippi high school students to consider an education and service through the Naval Academy.

If you haven't already become a member, please complete the attached membership form. We encourage all families to maintain membership throughout your Mid's time at Navy and continue to support incoming Mississippi students as alumni parents.

USNA ANCHOR DATES - Fall

| 2/C Parent Weekend | Sep 6 - 9 |
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| Six week exams | Sep 24 – 28 |
| Air Force Game | Oct 6 |
| Twelve week exams | Oct 29 – Nov 2 |
| 1/C Service Selection | Nov 15 |
| Army Game | Dec 8 |
| Finals Week | Dec 11 – 18 |
| Holiday Leave | Dec 19 – Jan 3 |
| Reform o <mark>f th</mark> e Brigade | Jan 4 |
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NAPS KEY DATES - Fall

| Fall Open House Weekend | Oct 5 - 8 |
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| Marking Period 1 Final Exams | Oct 11-15 |
| Battalion Trip to USNA | Oct 17 - 21 |
| Thanksgiving Leave | Nov 20 - 26 |
| Battalion Trip to Army Game | Dec 8 |
| Winter Leave | Dec 19 – Jan 3 |

MISSISSIPPI PARENT DATES

Cookies delivered to your Mid Oct 9, Dec 3, Feb 4 (Courtesy of the Parents' Club)

2nd District College & Career Fair Oct 5

Congressman Bennie Thompson 9am – 4pm

Washington County Convention Center, Greenville, MS

4th **District Academy Day**Congressman Steven Palazzo
Hospitality Resort Mgmt Center

Oct 6
8am – 11am

MS Gulf Coast Community College, Biloxi, MS

1st District Academy DayOct 13Congressman Trent Kelly10am – 12pmThe Jackson Avenue Center

University of MS, Oxford, MS

Parents' Club Christmas Dinner Dec 28

Table 100 / Flowood, MS (invitations will be sent)

3rd District Academy Day TBD – Spring 2019

Hail & Farewell Luncheon Jun 22

Mama Hamil's / Madison, MS (invitations will be sent)





In June, we gathered for lunch at Mama Hamil's in Madison as we bid farewell to the Class of 2018. We wish them fair winds and following seas as they begin their service to our country as Ensigns and 2nd Lieutenants. In addition, we welcomed 10 "plebes to be" and 3 prep school appointees. Including parents, we had 46 in attendance.

Induction Say 2018

Congratulations to the USNA Class of 2022 as they survived plebe summer, joined the Brigade of Midshipmen, and began the academic year. WE ARE SO PROUD OF THEM! I hope all of the parents were able to attend Plebe Parent Weekend to get some much needed hugs and hear all about their summer adventure.



On July 24th, the Naval Academy Prep School Battalion was formed as the Napsters began their indoctrination period as well. GOOD LUCK!





MISSISSIPPI MIDSHIPMEN

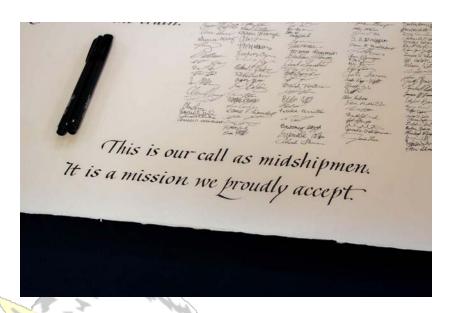
| Class of 2019 | Company # |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Wes Beasley | 7 |
| Charles Gaddis | 10 |
| Hill Garbo | 7 |
| Matthew Hammond | 24 |
| Drew Roye | 5 |
| Class of 2020 | Company # |
| Marshall Adair | 4 |
| Aaron Ellis | 12 |
| Mason Fridge | 7 |
| Erik Landry | 10 |
| Ralph Moore | 10 |
| Thomas Reeder | 30 |
| Cedric Williams | 7 |
| Class of 2021 | Company # |
| Jakub Hill | 21 |
| Mark A Humes | 19 |
| Donald Christopher Jones Jr | 19 |
| Kerrick S. Jones | 17 |
| Darby Meadows | 18 |
| Richard "Rhett" Robinson | 24 |
| Emily Woomer | 2 |
| Class of 2022 | Company # |
| Steadman "Miles" Harrison | 6 |
| Lillian Kelly | 10 |
| Noah Martinolich | 9 |
| Connor McClellan | 14 |
| Benjamin Rutledge | 28 |
| Elizabeth Sanchez | 8 |
| Trevor Schibner | 4 |
| Peyton Seago | 9 |
| Mariana Strawn | 22 |
| Jarius Warren | 8 |
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PREP SCHOOLS

Jake Boyero Naval Academy Prep School Kenna Pierce, Jr. Naval Academy Prep School Trey Currie Greystone Prep School

2 for 7 Gigning

Over Reform weekend, our 2/C Midshipmen signed their 2 for 7 agreements. Sometimes referred to as "the point of no return", 2nd class Mids must commit to staying at USNA to complete their education followed by five years of active duty service after graduation. If they choose not to commit, they must leave the Naval Academy. It is a big decision to make for a 20 year old, but they make their choice with eyes wide open. They have spent their first two years preparing and developing to understand the gravity of why they are there and their purpose – to lead sailors and marines honorably and with distinction.



PARENT CLUB ACTIVITIES

- All Midshipmen will get a dozen cookies delivered to their rooms in Bancroft Hall in Oct, Dec, and Feb.
 The cookies are courtesy of the parents' club and made locally in Annapolis by "Calvary Cookie Factory".
- We have requested information from parents of 2/C Mids so we can request Lt. Governor Proclamations to commemorate their "2 for 7" signing. These proclamations will be presented to the 2/C at our Christmas dinner on Dec. 28th. If you have not returned your Mid's form, please do so by 9/30/2018. Contact Libby at usnapcms@gmail.com with any questions.
- Our 1/C Mids will receive commemorative flags from Senator Wicker's office purchased by our parent club. These will be presented at our Christmas dinner on Dec 28th.
- During the cold winter months, we send a little something to all of our Mids and Mid Candidates. Be on the lookout for a request to help with this "Dark Ages" project.

Please support our efforts

Please participate in the support of our Mississippi Mids and Midshipman candidates by becoming a member of the parents' club. Your dues of \$100 per year (\$25 for alumni parents) help us provide special recognition and care packages to our future sailors and marines. They also help us organize gatherings to welcome new USNA candidates, their parents, and provide information for those considering the Naval Academy.

To join, please complete the attached form. Make checks payable to USNA Parents' Club of MS.

Suggestions

Please send suggestions and ideas for improving our club to usnapcms@gmail.com



Pictures

Please share pictures of your Mid or Mid candidate on our Facebook page!

USNA PARENTS' CLUB OF MISSISSIPPI 2018 – 2019 Membership Form

Parent Information:

| Name:Address: | Membership Dues |
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| Phone: Email Address (preferred): | |
| Midshipmen Information: Name: | |
| Company Number:Class of: Address: PO BOX | |
| Email: | |
| Phone: | |
| Birth Month & Day: | Please Send Membership Dues to: |

For more information or questions, please email <u>usnapcms@gmail.com</u> one of the officers will contact you.

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