

# 2017 Commissioning Week Schedule of Events

## Friday, May 19, 2017

- 2:30 p.m. **Seamanship & Navigation Awards Ceremony**, Robert Crown Sailing Center (weather alt. Mahan Hall), B, F, Informal.  
 7:15 p.m. **Jewish Baccalaureate Service**, Levy Chapel, B, G, Informal.

## Saturday, May 20, 2017

- 7 - 11 p.m. **Ring Dance**, Dahlgren Hall, Class of 2018, F, Formal.

## Sunday, May 21, 2017

- 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 - 10 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.  
 noon - 12:45 p.m. **USNA Band Chamber Ensemble**, Barry Gate, B, G, Casual  
 2 - 4 p.m. **N\* Reception**, Athletic Director's Residence, 16 Porter Road, 2017 (Invitation Only), F, Informal.  
 4:30 - 8 p.m. **Superintendent's Reception**, Buchanan House Gardens (weather alt. Dahlgren Hall), 2017 (1 & 2 Batt) & four guests per midshipman, Informal (tickets required).

## Monday, May 22, 2017

- 8 a.m. **Morning Colors**, T-Court, B, G.  
 8 - 9 a.m. **Pi Sigma Alpha Awards Ceremony**, Memorial Hall, \*2017 (Desig), F, Informal.  
 8 - 9:30 a.m. **Engineering & Weapons Division Awards Ceremony**, Mahan Hall, \*2017 (Desig), F, Informal.  
 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. **Yard Patrol Craft Static Displays**, Farragut Seawall, B, F.  
 9 - 10 a.m. **Pi Sigma Alpha Awards Reception**, Smoke Hall, \*2017 (Desig), F, Informal.  
 9:45 - 10:45 a.m. **Midshipmen Community Service Awards Ceremony**, Memorial Hall, B (Desig), F, Informal.  
 9:45 - 11 a.m. **Engineering & Weapons Division Midshipmen Project Showcase**, Rickover Hall Lobby & Rickover & Maury Lab Deck, 2017 (Desig), F, Informal.  
 11 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. **USMC Battle Color Detachment Performance Silent Drill Platoon**, Worden Field (weather alt. Wesley A. Brown Field House). Please do not walk or sit on the field before or during the performance, B, F, Casual.  
 12:15 p.m. **Trident Brass Concert**, Zimmerman Bandstand, B, G.  
 1:30 p.m. **Class of 2020 Herndon Climb**, Herndon Monument, B, G.  
 4:30 - 8 p.m. **Superintendent's Reception**, Buchanan House Gardens (weather alt. Dahlgren Hall), 2017 (3 & 4 Batt) & four guests per midshipman, Informal (tickets required).

## Tuesday, May 23, 2017

- 8 a.m. **Morning Colors-Silent Drill Team Performance**, T-Court, B, G.  
 8 - 10 a.m. **Yard Patrol Craft Static Displays**, Farragut Seawall, B, F.  
 9 - 10:30 a.m. **Leadership Education & Development (LEAD) Division Awards Ceremony**, Mahan Hall, B, F, Informal.  
 10 - 11:45 a.m. **USMC Family Orientation/Awards Ceremony**, Alumni Hall, \*2017 (USMC Sel), F, Informal.  
 10:45 - 1 p.m. **USNA (Route 450) Bridge Closure**.  
 11 - 1 p.m. **Blue Angels' Circle & Arrival**, Severn River, B, G.  
 11 - 4 p.m. **USNA Gates Closed to Incoming Vehicular Traffic**.  
 12:05 p.m. **Noon Meal Formation**, T-Court, \*B,G, Casual.  
 12:50 - 1:20 p.m. **Weekday Catholic Mass**, St. Andrew's Chapel, B, G.  
 1 - 1:30 p.m. **USNA Pipes & Drums Performance**, T-Court (weather alt Rotunda), B, G.  
 1:45 p.m. - 4 p.m. **USNA (Route 450) Bridge Closure**. Opens at the conclusion of the Blue Angels' Flight Rehearsal.  
 2 p.m. **Blue Angels' Flight Rehearsal, Severn River**, B, G, Casual.  
 4:30 - 8 p.m. **Superintendent's Reception**, Buchanan House Gardens (weather alt. Dahlgren Hall), 2017 (5 & 6 Batt) & four guests per midshipman, Informal (tickets required).  
 8:30 - 10 p.m. **Commissioning Week Glee Club & Gospel Choir Concert**, Main Chapel, B, G (tickets on sale through MWF Ticket Office at 410-293-8497 or <http://navyperforms.showare.com>.)

## Wednesday, May 24, 2017

- 8 a.m. **Morning Colors**, T-Court, B, G.  
 8 - 10 a.m. **Yard Patrol Craft Static Displays**, Farragut Seawall, B, F.  
 9:30 - 10:20 a.m. **Navy Sailing Awards Ceremony**, Robert Crown Sailing Center, \*B (Desig), F, Informal.  
 10:30 - noon **Mathematics & Science Division Awards Ceremony**, Mahan Hall, 2017 (Desig), B, F, Informal.  
 10:30 - noon **Humanities & Social Sciences Division Awards Ceremony**, Memorial Hall, 2017 (Desig), B, F, Informal.  
 10:45 - 1 p.m. **USNA (Route 450) Bridge Closure** (only in the event of Blue Angels' Circle and Arrival foul weather requirement).  
 11 - 4 p.m. **USNA Gates Closed to Incoming Vehicular 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 - 1:20 p.m. **Weekday Catholic Mass**, St. Andrew's Chapel, B, G.  
 12:50 - 1:50 p.m. **Navy & Marine Association Awards Ceremony**, Memorial Hall, \*B (Desig), F, Informal.  
 1 p.m. **U.S. Navy Band Cruisers Concert**, Hospital Point, B, G. (no tickets required.)  
 1:45 p.m. **USNA (Route 450) Bridge Closure**. Opens at the conclusion of the Blue Angels' Flight Demonstration.  
 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 on sale through MWF Ticket Office at 410-293-8497 or <http://navyperforms.showare.com>.)  
 7:30 - 11 p.m. **Graduation Ball**, Dahlgren Hall, 2017, F, Formal. (no tickets required.)

## Thursday, May 25, 2017

- 8 a.m. **Morning Colors**, T-Court, B, G.  
 8 - 4 p.m. **Yard Patrol Craft Static Displays**, Farragut Seawall, B, F.  
 10:45 - 12:15 p.m. **Vehicle Access to Worden Field via Gate 8 Restricted in support of the Color Parade**.  
 11 a.m. **Color Parade**, Worden Field. \*B, G. Please do not walk or sit on the field before or during the parade. Tickets required for bleacher seating. Weather alt. Wesley A. Brown Field House, 2017 (Desig), F (Desig) (tickets required for Wesley Brown Field House. Attendance limited to Color Company guests.)  
 12:50 - 1:20 p.m. **Weekday Catholic Mass**, St. Andrew's Chapel, B, G.  
 1:15 - 1:45 p.m. **Dean's Award for Academic Excellence by Varsity Athletic Team**, Mahan Hall, \*B (Desig), F, Informal.  
 2 - 4 p.m. **Prizes & Awards Ceremony & Reception**, Alumni Hall, \*2017, \*B (Desig), F, Informal.

## Friday, May 26, 2017 Graduation Day

- 6:30 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 2017 Graduation**, Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium (weather alt. Alumni Hall for those with Indoor Graduation tickets only), \*B, F, Informal, *Tickets required*.  
 10:04 a.m. **Blue Angels' Graduation Fly-Over**, Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, B, F.  
 1 p.m. **Inter-Service Commissioning Ceremonies**, Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, Banquet Room  
 1 - 2:30 p.m. **Graduation Photo & Swearing-In Ceremony**, Superintendent's Tent Area, Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, 2017, 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

### Guest Attire Guidelines

Informal	Formal	Casual
<b>Military women and men:</b> Navy—Summer White USMC—Dress Blue Delta Officers of other services wear the corresponding uniform of their service <b>Civilian women:</b> Street length, mid-length long skirts or dresses as current styles dictate; pantsuits <b>Civilian men:</b> Slacks; collared shirts <b>Children:</b> Attire to correspond with adults	<b>Military women and men:</b> Navy—Dinner Dress White Jacket USMC—Evening Dress Bravo or Blue-White Dress Alpha Officers of other services wear the corresponding uniform of their service <b>Civilian women:</b> Long formal gowns, dressy cocktail suits, dressy cocktail dresses <b>Civilian men:</b> Black tie; tuxedo <b>Children:</b> Attire to correspond with adults	<b>Military women and men:</b> Navy—Summer White USMC—Dress Blue Delta Officers of other services wear the corresponding uniform of their service <b>Civilian women:</b> Slacks, walking shorts, capri pants, sporty skirts, sundresses <b>Civilian men:</b> Khakis, polo or sports shirts, walking shorts <b>Children:</b> Attire to correspond with adults

### USNA Key for 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 [www.usna.edu/CommissioningWeek](http://www.usna.edu/CommissioningWeek).

(Schedule as of 2-6-17)



## General Information

**The Armel-Leftwich Visitor Center and Naval Academy Gift Shop** are open from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Hours will be extended to 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday. 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) for guided tours, and 410-293-4438 or 1-800-778-4260 for the Gift Shop. The Visitor Center/Gift Shop website is [www.usnabsd.com/forvisitors](http://www.usnabsd.com/forvisitors). Midshipmen and their parents receive a 10% discount at the Gift Shop. All sales are tax exempt and shipping services are available.

**The Naval Academy Museum** (410-293-2108) is open special hours during Commissioning Week: Monday through Saturday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., and Sunday, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**The Midshipmen Store** (410-293-2392) is open special hours during Commissioning Week: Saturday, May 20, 9:00 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Sunday, May 21, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Monday - Friday, May 22 - 26, 7:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.; and Saturday, May 27, 9:00 a.m. - 4 p.m. Authorized patrons only. Parental guardians and midshipmen families are authorized but must present shopping cards or special Commissioning Week name tags.

**The Dahlgren Hall Drydock Restaurant** (410-293-2873) is open Saturday and Sunday, May 20 - 21, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.; Monday - Thursday, May 22 - 25, from 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.; and Friday, May 26, 7 a.m. - 3 p.m., Saturday, May 27, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. The Drydock serves breakfast, fast food, pizza, sandwiches, and salads.

**The Naval Academy Club (NAC)** will offer special hours and permit families of graduating midshipmen to dine during Commissioning Week: Sunday brunch, May 21, seatings at 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.; Monday - Thursday, May 22-25, 11 a.m. - 8 p.m., and Friday, May 26, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Reservations are suggested for dinner and may be made at 410-293-2632. Dress code standards (no cut-offs, flip-flops, etc.) apply when visiting the NAC.

**Concession Stands** Concessions will be available Monday, May 22, at 11 a.m. in the vicinity of Worden Field, and at 1:30 p.m. in the vicinity of Herndon Monument; Tuesday, May 23, 11:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. near Ingram Field; Wednesday, May 24, 11:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. near Ingram Field and Hospital Point for the Blue Angels' show; and Thursday, May 25, 11 a.m., on Balch Road near Worden Field for the Color Parade.

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

**Security Information** All persons over 18 are required to present a valid Government-issued photo ID card to enter into the Naval Academy and all personnel and vehicles are subject to search. Driver's licenses from states that do not comply with the REAL ID Act are required to bring a second form of government ID such as a passport. To verify the compliance of your state, please visit: <https://www.dhs.gov/current-status-states-territories>. Drivers without Department of Defense ID cards or Midshipmen Parents Passes are not permitted to drive on the Naval Academy grounds. Vehicle access may be further restricted to staff and residents during limited time frames in support of special Commissioning Week events; notice will be promulgated separately. Handicapped visitors may bring vehicles onto USNA with handicapped plates or placards; vehicles will be searched before access is granted. Guests are permitted to bring daypacks, diaper bags, camera cases, and purses. Larger bags and large coolers are prohibited. All bags are subject to search; weapons and alcoholic beverages are prohibited. For the most up-to-date security information, visit [www.usna.edu/CommissioningWeek/](http://www.usna.edu/CommissioningWeek/).

**Traffic, Parking, and General Rules** Parking on the Yard is extremely limited. Parking restrictions are strictly enforced in red curb zones. Only official vehicles may park by white curbing. The speed limit on USNA is 15 miles per hour or as posted. Due to the ongoing construction of Hopper Hall, traffic patterns in the vicinity of Alumni Hall and Nimitz Library have been modified. Please pay close attention to posted signs and security personnel. All traffic must yield to midshipmen marching in formation and pedestrians in crosswalks. Seat belt usage is required at the Naval Academy. Drivers may not 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 driving a vehicle. Roller skating/blading is not allowed on Naval Academy grounds. Only service animals may be brought on Academy grounds during Commissioning Week. Possessing and consuming alcohol on Academy grounds is prohibited, except at USNA-sponsored events. Picnicking on the Naval Academy's ceremonial grounds is prohibited. The USNA Cemetery on Hospital Point should not be used as a transit or viewing area for Commissioning Week events.

**Wheelchairs** If you need a wheelchair during Commissioning Week, please bring one with you. Wheelchairs are available for rent from Annapolis Health Care at 410-295-7300. Please make reservations in advance.

## Park at the Stadium - Take the Shuttle to USNA

**Parking on the Yard is extremely limited.** On weekdays, only drivers with Department of Defense identification cards and handicapped tags (please 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 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 26), parking is free for those with graduation tickets, on a first-come, first-served basis. Parking gates open at 6:30 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:

Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday, May 22, 23, & 25 7 a.m. - 11 p.m.  
Wednesday, May 24 (extended hours) 7 a.m. - midnight.

During these hours, the bus will make stops at Alumni Hall, Preble Hall, Dahlgren Hall, the 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 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 22 Noon - conclusion of Herndon Climb  
Tuesday, May 23 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Wednesday, May 24 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

No shuttle buses will operate on graduation day, Friday, May 26, unless weather dictates that the ceremony be moved into Alumni Hall. If that occurs, buses will run from the stadium to Alumni Hall for indoor ceremony ticket holders only. To determine the venue of graduation, visit the Commissioning Week website at [www.usna.edu/CommissioningWeek/](http://www.usna.edu/CommissioningWeek/).

**Stadium Gates—Graduation Day** 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 and knives of any type, to include ceremonial swords  
Bags larger than a typical purse (i.e., duffel bags, back packs, large camera bags, etc.)  
Any item deemed to be dangerous or inappropriate: mace, umbrellas, bottles, coolers, alcoholic beverages, folding chairs, camera tripods, noise makers, large strollers, and pets.

Individuals shall be allowed entrance ONLY after disposing or securing prohibited items. Furthermore, screeners will NOT "hold" items; the owner must dispose or secure the item(s) in their vehicle, etc.

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

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

**In the event of inclement weather, determination of the graduation site will be made early Friday morning** and posted on the USNA website. Alumni Hall is the designated indoor site in the event of inclement weather. 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 2017 Graduation and Commissioning ceremony can be viewed on Livestream. Additional details and links to these websites are available at [www.usna.edu/CommissioningWeek/](http://www.usna.edu/CommissioningWeek/).

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## Program of Events

