



# CHET GLADCHUK

## Athletic Director

In his five years at the Naval Academy, Director of Athletics Chet Gladchuk has overseen a renaissance of Navy athletics. His administrative leadership in a number of areas has helped lead the program to one of the most successful periods in school history.

Gladchuk's efforts have been recognized on a national level as well, as he was named the 2005 Bobby Dodd Athletic Director of the

Year by the Division IA Athletic Directors Association. The award is presented in recognition of an athletic director's support and commitment toward the successful advancement of the department, most specifically in the sport of football. Additionally, this past spring he was recognized by the Secretary of the Navy for his contributions and service to the Navy and the Naval Academy with the Superior Public Service Award to the Department of the Navy.

Last year, the Navy football team completed a third-straight successful season as the Midshipmen posted an 8-4 record, won the Commander-In-Chief's Trophy for a school-record third-consecutive year, participated in a bowl game for a school-record third-straight year and won a bowl game in consecutive years for the first time in school history when the Mids pounded Colorado State, 51-30, in the Poinsettia Bowl.

The football team isn't the only successful squad at the Naval Academy, as Navy athletic teams have won better than 60 percent of their contests during Gladchuk's tenure, including a .664 winning percentage during the 2005-06 academic year.

Gladchuk has been able to parlay Navy's athletic success into an exclusive television deal with College Sports Television that has significantly increased Navy's television exposure. CSTV, the first 24-hour college sports network, televises every Navy home and select neutral site football games (excluding Notre Dame and Army which will be televised nationally by CBS), as well as other Midshipmen men's and women's athletic events, original programming and documentaries centered around the storied Navy athletic program. The long-term multi-media agreement includes internet streaming, broadband and video-on-demand rights and high definition rights

starting in 2006. A major part of the agreement was that all home football games would be played on Saturday for the convenience of the Navy alumni.

Gladchuk has also added radio giant WBAL (1090 AM) in Baltimore and Washington Post Radio (1500 AM and 107.7 FM) and WFED (1050 AM) in Washington D.C./Northern Virginia to Navy's radio network.

WBAL Radio, which is also the voice of the Baltimore Orioles and Ravens, is Maryland's dominant and most powerful radio station. Since 1925, generations of Marylanders have turned to WBAL Radio for news, weather, thought-provoking discussions and sports. As Maryland's only 50,000-watt AM station, WBAL's signal travels substantially further than any other station in the state.

Washington Post Radio, which is also the home of the Washington Nationals, is a 50,000-watt station that will air a minimum of 10 regular-season football games, while WFED (1050 AM) in Northern Virginia will broadcast all 12 regular-season football games, a minimum of 10 basketball games and four lacrosse games. It will be the first time Navy will have exposure in the Washington, D.C. and Northern Virginia markets for both their basketball and lacrosse programs.

Since being introduced as the Academy's 28th Director of Athletics on Sept. 4, 2001, Gladchuk has hit the ground running. From the hiring of Paul Johnson as head football coach to the renovation of Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, Gladchuk has made improvements in several key areas that will prove more success on the athletic fields for years to come.

In Gladchuk's tenure at the Naval Academy, he has seen 28 different teams win conference titles, while 17 teams have advanced to NCAA post-season play.

Gladchuk has also worked tirelessly to bring back school spirit, working in conjunction with school officials to encourage midshipmen to attend events for all sports.

Gladchuk immediately embraced the local community and alumni base, and is an often requested speaker. His regular 'Ask the AD' column on navysports.com is one of the most popular features on Navy's internet site.

Gladchuk's biggest impact on the Academy in his first year was the hiring of Paul Johnson as a head football coach. Johnson came to the Naval Academy from Georgia Southern where he posted a 62-10 (.861) record, won two-straight I-AA National Championships (1999 and 2000) and was named the Division I-AA National Coach of the Year four-consecutive times (1997-2000).

After hiring Johnson, Gladchuk set his sights on Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium where he completely refurbished the football stadium over a four-year time frame. The addition of 6,500 permanent seats on the sidelines and in the end zones, luxury boxes, dropping the field eight feet and moving the sidelines closer, two video scoreboards, a memorial plaza, upgraded restroom and concession areas, a perimeter walking path, new lighting, a new sound system, landscaping the grounds and storm water management highlight the list of renovations. Gladchuk has worked closely with the city, county, state and neighborhood associations to ensure proper communication and sensitivity to issues that benefit both the NAAA and community at large.

Gladchuk and the NAAA were awarded the Green Star award by Annapolis Mayor Ellen Moyer for commitment to the environment during the ongoing renovation of Navy-

### 2005-06 NAVY ATHLETICS: A SEASON TO REMEMBER

OVERALL RECORD  
299-150-5 (.664)

N-STAR RECORD VS. ARMY  
14-8 (.636)

OVERALL RECORD VS. ARMY  
18-14 (.563)

14 ALL-AMERICANS

NINE CONFERENCE  
ATHLETES OF THE YEAR

FOUR CONFERENCE  
CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### NATIONAL HONORS

Ranked No. 1 in the nation among all  
Division IA Schools in Graduation Rate

Football-Poinsettia Bowl Champions,  
ranked 30th in the nation

Lacrosse-Ranked ninth in the country

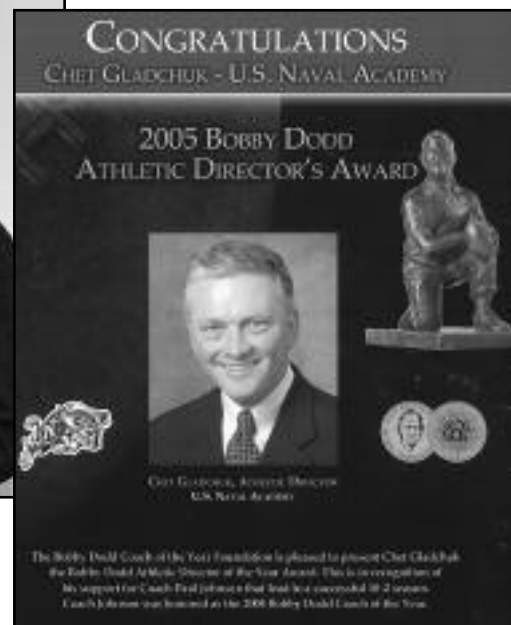
Rifle-Finished fourth at the NCAA  
Championship

Offshore Sailing-National Champions

Water Polo-Ranked 12th in the nation

Wrestling-Ranked 22nd in the nation

**Gladchuk, seen here with Superintendent Vice Admiral Rodney Rempt, was named the 2005 Bobby Dodd Athletic Director of the Year.**



Marine Corps Memorial Stadium.

Other highlights of Gladchuk's tenure at the Naval Academy include the renegotiation of the Army-Navy contract through 2009 which will bring over \$25 million to the two schools over the six games, scheduling Maryland and Notre Dame at M&T Bank Stadium in Baltimore to promote Navy football in the community, negotiating the extension of the Navy-Notre Dame football game television contract with CBS through 2008 and negotiating

bowl deals with the Houston, Emerald, Poinsettia and Meineke Car Care Bowls. Additionally, he is in negotiations with a number of other bowls for future considerations.

Gladchuk is also Chairman of the Executive Committee in the Patriot League and is on the NCAA Olympic Sport Liaison Committee.

Gladchuk came to the Naval Academy from the University of Houston, where he had been the Director of Athletics since July 18, 1997. Recognized as one of the nation's top leaders in intercollegiate athletics management, he guided the Cougars to 19 Conference USA Championships, while making significant strides in the academic success of their student-athletes, gender equity and fiscal management.

Before Houston, Gladchuk was the Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, Intramurals and Recreation for seven years at his alma mater, Boston College. Under Gladchuk, Boston College emerged as one of the NCAA's elite programs of the 1990s. The school's graduation rate for all student-athletes was over 90 percent and the Eagles won the College Football Association's Academic Achievement Award for the highest graduation rates among all Division I schools in three of his last five years at Boston College.

Prior to rejoining Boston College, Gladchuk served as AD at Tulane University from 1987-90. During his tenure, he directed the reinstatement of the Green Wave basketball program to Division I status. In addition, he oversaw the construction of new facilities for the athletics administration as well as baseball, track and field and tennis teams after a \$25 million athletics campaign was successfully completed.

From 1985-87, he served as Associate AD at Syracuse University, heading operations, NCAA compliance, financial aid and facility operations. Gladchuk lettered in football at Boston College and graduated with honors in business management in 1973. He earned a master's in sports administration from the University of Massachusetts-Amherst in 1974, where he began his career in intercollegiate athletics, including serving for seven years as Director of General Physical Education, Assistant and Associate Athletic Director for the university. He also has served as Director of Athletics and head football coach for the New Hampton (Prep) School in New Hampshire prior to leaving for UMass.

He and his wife, Kathy, have four children: John, a graduate of Loyola Marymount; Katie, a graduate of Boston College; Christie, a graduate of Trinity and Julie, who is a senior at North Carolina and a member of the women's lacrosse team.

## PAST ATHLETIC DIRECTORS

Harris Laning 1895	.....	1910-12
Arthur P. Fairchild '01	.....	1912-15
Charles Earle Smith '03	.....	1915-17
William F. Halsey Jr. '04	.....	1917-18
Douglas L. Howard '06	.....	1918-23
Byron McCandless '05	.....	1923-25
Jonas H. Ingram '07	.....	1925-30
Henry D. Cook Jr. '03	.....	1930-31
John W. Wilcox Jr. '05	.....	1931-34
Robert C. Giffen '07	.....	1934-37
Ernest W. McKee '08	.....	1937-40
Thomas S. King II '11	.....	1940-42
Harvey E. Overesch '15	.....	1942
Lyman S. Perry '20	.....	1942-43
John E. Whelchel '20	.....	1943-44
Harles O. Humphreys '22	.....	1944-46
Edmund B. Taylor '25	.....	1946-48
Thomas J. Hamilton '27	.....	1948
Henry H. Caldwell '27	.....	1949-51
Ian C. Eddy '30	.....	1951-54
Charles Elliott Loughlin '33	.....	1954-57
Slade Cutter '35	.....	1957-59
Asbury Coward '38	.....	1959-62
William S. Busik '43	.....	1962-65
Alan R. Cameron '44	.....	1965-68
J. O. Coppedge '47	.....	1968-88
Jack Lengyel	.....	1988-2001
Chet Gladchuk	.....	2001-present

# THE NAVAL ACADEMY

## ANNAPOLIS

The City of Annapolis has been home to the Naval Academy for all but four years since the founding of the school in 1845 on the grounds of what originally was the Army's Fort Severn. The Academy moved its location to Newport, Rhode Island, from 1861-1865 during the Civil War.

## ANCHORS AWEIGH

"Anchors Aweigh" was written by Lt. Charles Zimmerman, musical director of the Naval Academy, in 1906, with the lyrics provided by Alfred H. Miles '06 as a fight song for the 1907 graduating class. The song made its debut at the 1906 Army-Navy game and when the Mids won, the song became traditional at the contest.

## BANCROFT HALL

Named after the former Secretary of the Navy (1845-46) and founder of the Naval Academy George Bancroft, Bancroft Hall serves as the dormitory for the entire Brigade of Midshipmen. Its 33 acres of floor space and nearly five miles of hallways makes it one of the largest dorms in the world.

## BRIGADE OF MIDSHIPMEN

The 4,000-member student body at the Naval Academy is called the Brigade of Midshipmen.

The Brigade is organized into ...

- 2 regiments
- 6 battalions
- 30 companies

## BILL THE GOAT

The first recorded use of a goat as the mascot for Navy teams was in 1893 when an animal named El Cid (the Chief) was presented to the Brigade by officers of the USS New York. El Cid helped Navy to a 6-4 win over Army that year and a goat became the permanent mascot of the Academy in 1904.

## BLUE & GOLD

Now, colleges from sea to sea  
May sing of colors true;  
But who has better right than we  
To hoist a symbol hue?  
For sailors brave in battle fair,  
Since fighting days of old,  
Have proved the sailor's right to wear  
The Navy Blue and Gold

Four years together by the bay,  
Where severn joins the tide,  
Then by the service called away  
We're scattered far and wide;  
But still when two or three shall meet  
And old tales be retold  
From low to highest in the fleet  
We'll pledge the Blue and Gold.

## CLASS RANKS

First-year students at the Naval Academy are referred to as "plebes" during their initial or "Fourth Class" year in school, while sophomores at Navy, members of the "Third Class," are called "youngsters." Juniors at the school are designated as "Second Class," with seniors called "Firsties" in reference to their "First Class" year.

## CO-ED

Women were first admitted to the Naval Academy during the summer of 1976. Today, women comprise roughly 15 percent of the student body.

## COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

When a student graduates from the Naval Academy, they have the option to enter either the Navy or the Marine Corps as an officer. If they choose to join the Navy, they are commissioned as Ensigns, while those entering the Marine Corps are given the rank of Second Lieutenant.

## JOHN PAUL JONES

The crypt of John Paul Jones, considered America's first naval leader and hero, is located below the Naval Academy Chapel.

The native of Scotland was born in 1747, and travelled to the colonies to assist America during the Revolutionary War. His ship never lost a battle as he reached a rank of captain in the Continental Navy.

Jones died in 1792 in Paris, France, and was buried there. His remains were returned to the United States in 1905 and he was interred at the Naval Academy eight years later.

## MARINE CORPS

Those officers entering the Marine Corps have the choice of service selecting one of the following fields ...

- Aviation -- air command and control, anti-air warfare, aviation maintenance, aviation supply, pilot, naval flight officer.
- Ground -- armor\*, artillery\*, communications (information systems), engineering, financial management, infantry\*, logistics, military police (\* = not available to women)



## MIDSHIPMAN

The original 17th Century meaning of the word “midshipsmen” designated those men who stood watch “amidships”, or in the middle portion of a ship. The middle “s” was later dropped to give the current form of the word.

Midshipmen were originally young boys who were apprenticed to sea captains to learn the trade.

In the early days of the Navy, midshipmen were trained aboard ship until they were commissioned as ensigns.

## NAVY

Graduates of the Naval Academy entering the Navy have the following service options available to them ...

- Aviation -- flight officer, pilot
- Nuclear Propulsion -- ships, submarines\*
- Restricted Line and Staff Corps -- civil engineering, cryptology, intelligence, maintenance, medicine, meteorology/oceanography, supply
- Special Operations -- explosive ordinance disposal, explosive ordinance management, mine countermeasures, operational diving and salvage,
- Navy SEALs\*
- Surface Warfare -- conventional, nuclear powered
- Submarines\*

(\* = not available to women)

## NICKNAME

The official nickname for all of Navy's athletic teams is Midshipmen. “Mids” is an appropriate nickname, while “Middie” is inappropriate.

## N-STAR

Members of varsity teams who qualify for the varsity letter receive an N-Star for their letter sweaters if they participate in a victory over Army in any sport-designated Star Game.

The varsity N and corresponding N-Star were initiated during the early 1890s.

## SCHOOL COLORS

Each class at the Naval Academy produced their own set of class colors until 1892 when Navy Blue and Gold were established as the official colors for the entire Naval Academy.

## SUMMER TRAINING

Summers remain a busy and challenging time of year for midshipmen. Their initial tenure at the Naval Academy begins around July 1 prior to the start of the freshman year at the school with “Plebe Summer.” Instead of taking academic classes, plebes receive military indoctrination and learn basic seamanship and sailing.

The summer following plebe year is spent aboard various ships to gain knowledge and experience of the workings of the Navy. Included in this time is a three-week cruise aboard either a 44-foot Naval Academy sailboat or a Yard Patrol craft traveling on the East Coast.

Portions of the summer before the start of a second-class year is spent visiting bases of both the Navy and the Marine Corps. That leads up to the next summer when midshipmen join an operational unit of the Navy or Marine Corps for several weeks. In addition, rising firsties also begin to accept leadership roles at either the Naval Academy for plebe summer, the Naval Academy Prep School (Newport, R.I.) or aboard a yard patrol or sailing cruise.



## TECUMSEH

Tecumseh is the Native American figurehead which has been facing Bancroft Hall since 1866.

The statue originally was the figurehead of the USS Delaware and named after Tamanend, a Delaware chief. The name was later changed to Tecumseh after a Shawnee chieftain who lived from 1768-1813.

The original wooden statue was replaced after 50 years by the current bronze version.

Tecumseh is painted prior to football games and during Commissioning Week he is adorned with the shoulder boards of a Navy ensign on one side and that of a Marine Corps second lieutenant on the other.

## THE YARD

“The Yard” is another name for the grounds of the Naval Academy. Originally just 10 acres, The Yard has grown to a size of 338 acres.

## NAVAL ACADEMY LEADERSHIP



VICE ADM.  
RODNEY P. REMPT, USN  
Superintendent



CAPT. MARGARET KLEIN,  
USN  
Commandant of Midshipmen

# DISTINGUISHED GRADUATES

The Distinguished Graduate Program started as a concept first envisioned by RADM Ronald F. Marryott, USN (Ret.), Class of 1957, when he was president and CEO of the United States Naval Academy Alumni Association. RADM Robert McNitt, USN (Ret.), Class of 1938 helped develop the concept to its current structure. The Alumni Association's Board of Trustees approved the DGA proposal and in May 1998 the selection committee met under the chairmanship of Admiral Carlisle Trost, USN (Ret.), Class of 1953 to determine the nominating process.

The Distinguished Graduate Award is given to a living graduate of the United States Naval Academy whose character, distinguished military and civilian service, and stature draw wholesome comparison to the qualities that the United States Naval Academy strives for, in keeping with its traditional values of duty, honor, integrity and "through knowledge seapower."

The DG program was established in 1999 by the Alumni Association as a way to identify to the public and the Brigade of Midshipmen the broad national significance of the United States Naval Academy as one of the nation's cherished and most valuable institutions.

The first Distinguished Graduate was Admiral Thomas Mooror, USN (Ret.), Class of 1933, former Chief of Naval Operations and former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Five distinguished graduates were chosen by the 2000 DGA Committee, headed by Admiral Carl Trost. They include:

**Dr. John J. McMullen**, Class of 1940, Commander, U.S. Navy retired, former owner and chairman of the New Jersey Devils Hockey team, National Chairman of the Campaign for Alumni Hall and former Chairman of United States Line.

**Admiral James L. Holloway III**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1943, former Chief of Naval Operations, Chairman Emeritus of the Naval Academy Foundation, former Chairman of Association of Naval Aviation, and former Chairman of the Historic Annapolis Foundation.

**VADM William P. Lawrence**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1951, former Chief of Naval Personnel, former Superintendent of the U.S. Naval Academy and POW in Vietnam.

**Major General William A. Anders**, USAF (Ret.), Class of 1955, former Chairman and CEO of General Dynamics, former Astronaut and Mission Commander of Apollo 8, former Chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and former Ambassador to Norway.

**Mr. Roger T. Staubach**, Class of 1965, president of Staubach Enterprises, Heisman Trophy winner, Collegiate Hall of Fame and National Football Hall of Fame, NCAA's Theodore Roosevelt Award and Director of Power Up, a non-profit organization helping under-served young people acquire skills, experience and resources to succeed.

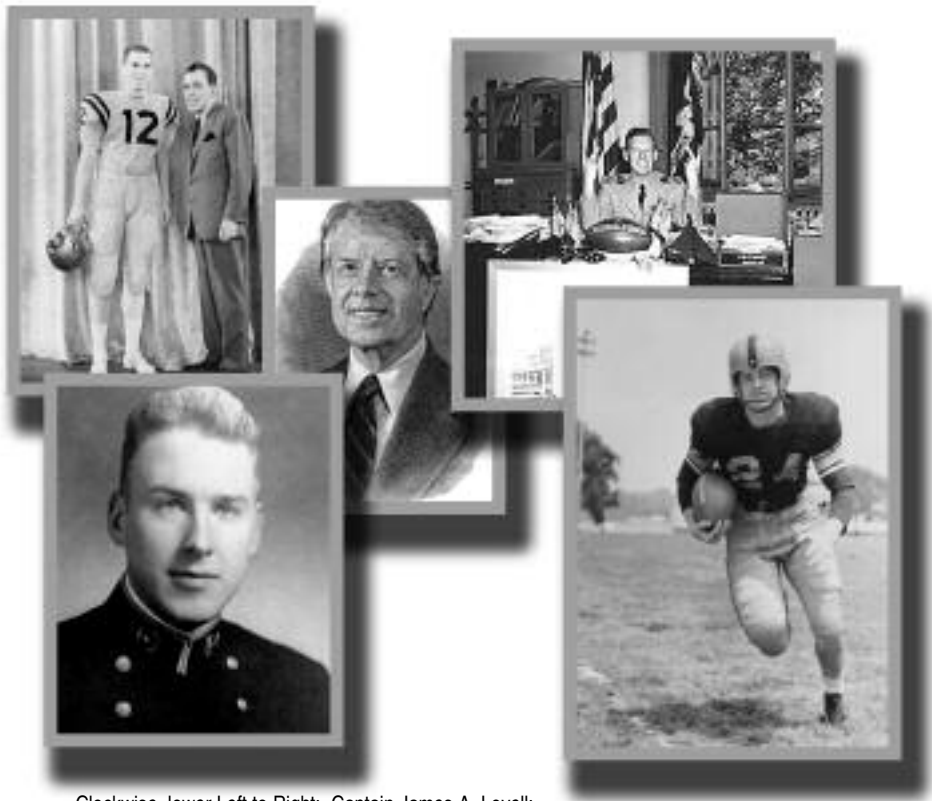
The five distinguished graduates were chosen by the 2001 DGA Committee, headed by Admiral Carlisle Trost. They include:

**Captain John W. Crawford, Jr.**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1942, a 21-year career naval officer; former board member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.

**Admiral William J. Crowe, Jr.**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1947, former ambassador to the Court of St. James, the United Kingdom; and former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

**VADM James B. Stockdale**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1947, Medal of Honor recipient and a POW in Vietnam for more than seven years.

**Admiral James D. Watkins**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1949, former Chief of Naval Operations; former Secretary of Energy in the senior Bush administration.



Clockwise, lower Left to Right: Captain James A. Lovell; Mr. Roger T. Staubach (on the Ed Sullivan Show); The Honorable James E. Carter; Admiral Eugene B. Fluckey; VADM William P. Lawrence.

**Captain James A. Lovell**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1952, former astronaut who piloted Gemini 7, commanded Gemini 12, orbited the moon on Apollo 8 and commanded the heroic Apollo 13 mission.

The four distinguished graduates were chosen by the 2002 DGA Committee, headed by Admiral Kinnaird McKee. They include:

**Vice Adm. Charles S. Minter, Jr.**, USN (Ret.), a 1937 graduate of the Naval Academy, served as the Commandant of Midshipmen (1961-63) and then as Superintendent of the Academy (1964-65).

**The Honorable James E. Carter**, Class of 1947, was the 39th president of the United States and was recently awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. Carter is the only Naval Academy graduate to serve as Commander-in-Chief of our Armed Forces.

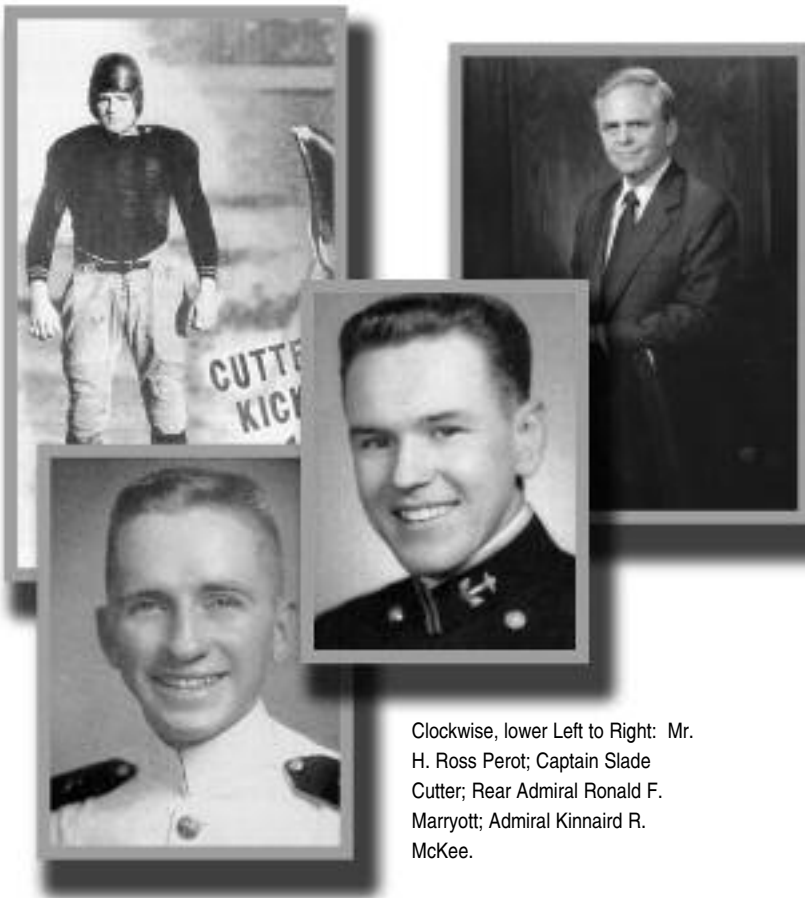
**Adm. Carlisle A.H. Trost**, USN (Ret.), graduated first in the Class of 1953 and later served as the Navy's 23rd Chief of Naval Operations.

**Col. John W. Ripley**, USMC (Ret.), Class of 1962 was awarded the Navy Cross and one of his Purple Hearts for his service in Dong Ha, Vietnam. He also has been president of two schools, Southern Virginia College in Buena Vista and Hargrave Military Academy in Chatham, Va.

The four distinguished graduates were chosen by the 2003 DGA Committee, headed by Admiral Kinnaird McKee. They include:

**Ambassador William H. G. FitzGerald**, Class of 1931, former Ambassador to the Republic of Ireland; founder and chairman of the board of the North American Housing Corporation; creator of the W.H.G. FitzGerald Scholarship Fund that provides USNA scholars an opportunity to attend Oxford University for two years of study.

**Rear Admiral Eugene B. Fluckey**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1935, World War II submariner, Medal of Honor recipient, famed author for his narrative aboard the USS BARB called Thunder Below! and a long-time supporter of athletic excellence at USNA.



Clockwise, lower Left to Right: Mr. H. Ross Perot; Captain Slade Cutter; Rear Admiral Ronald F. Marryott; Admiral Kinnaird R. McKee.

**Rear Admiral Robert W. McNitt**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1938, highly decorated submariner awarded for valorous duty during five successful submarine war patrols during World War II, former Superintendent of the Naval Post Graduate School, former USNA Dean of Admissions, and acclaimed author on the definitive history Sailing at the U.S. Naval Academy.

**Vice Admiral William D. Houser**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1942, 35-year naval career as a naval aviator, veteran of World War II, the Korean War, and Vietnam War; former Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Air Warfare) and staunch supporter in memorializing the Battle of Midway and preserving the Midway Islands.

The five distinguished graduates chosen by the **2004** DGA Committee, headed by Admiral Kinnaird McKee included:

**Lieutenant General Victor H. Krulak**, USMC (Ret.), Class of 1934, 35-year career in the Marine Corps, served in World War II, the Korean War and Vietnam; during the 1960s, served as Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force Pacific, and made more than 50 trips to the Vietnam Theater.

**Vice Admiral Gerald E. Miller**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1942, career included command of 14 sea commands, including special task forces and the U.S. Second and Sixth Fleets. Lead change in process of targeting nation's strategic nuclear weapons, and updating Navy personnel administration.

**Admiral James F. Calvert**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1943, submariner who made nine war patrols; served as commissioning commanding officer of the first ship in history to reach the surface at the North Pole; served as the 46th Superintendent of the Naval Academy, where he developed and installed the Majors Program.

**Lieutenant General Charles G. Cooper**, USMC (Ret.), Class of 1950, served in Korea at the height of the Chinese Spring Offensive; severely injured in 1951 and told that he would probably never walk again; went on to command two infantry battalions; in 1985 was named Commanding

General, Fleet Marine Force Pacific, where he commanded two-thirds of the fighting Marine Corps.

**Rear Admiral Ronald F. Marryott**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1957, the 52nd Superintendent of the Naval Academy who led a fundamental overhaul of the academic curriculum; served as president and CEO of the George C. Marshall Foundation, and president and CEO of the Naval Academy Alumni Association from 1996-2000.

Five distinguished graduates were chosen by the **2005** DGA Committee, headed by Admiral Bob Natter '67. They include:

**Captain Slade Cutter**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1935, an undefeated heavyweight intercollegiate boxing champion and All-American football place kicker and tackle at the Academy; commanded two submarines during WWII and awarded four Navy Crosses, two Silver Stars and one Bronze Star; returned to the Naval Academy as athletic director and played a significant role in the construction of Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium.

**Rear Admiral Robert "Bob" Wertheim**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1946, played central role in conception, development, production and operational support of POLARIS, POSEIDON and TRIDENT fleet ballistic missile systems; charter member of the Robert Means Thompson Society; life member of the President's Circle donor society and active in the program to build the Uriah P. Levy Center and Jewish Chapel at the Naval Academy.

**Admiral Ronald J. Hays**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1950, combat aviator and Navy test pilot whose many awards include the Silver Star (three), Distinguished Flying Cross (seven), Bronze Star with combat "V" and Air Medal (18); commander of all Pacific forces; chairman of the USS MISSOURI Memorial Association, helped establish the USS MISSOURI near THE USS ARIZONA as a major Pearl Harbor Monument; chairman of the board of the Military Aviation Museum of the Pacific.

**Mr. H. Ross Perot**, Class of 1953: philanthropist, humanitarian, national political figure and a continuing major contributor to the Naval Academy; president of the Class of 1953 and active member of the committee that developed the USNA Honor Concept; received the Business Executives for National Security's (BENS) prestigious Eisenhower Award.

Four distinguished graduates were chosen by the **2006** DGA Committee, headed by Admiral Bob Natter '67. They include:

**Captain Thomas J. Hudner**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1947: A recipient of the Medal of Honor, Captain Hudner is best-known for his historic attempted rescue of Ensign Jesse Brown (the first African American Naval Aviator) behind enemy lines during the historic battle near the Chosin Reservoir in North Korea. Hudner served the Navy for 30 years with a tour aboard USS Kitty Hawk as Executive Officer, and with the Bureau of Weapons, the Joint Staff and the Chief of Naval Operations.

**Admiral Kinnaird R. McKee**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1951: Admiral McKee had a distinguished career in the submarine service, and in 1975 was named Superintendent of the Naval Academy. During his tenure as Superintendent, McKee was responsible for the successful transition of bringing women into the Brigade of Midshipmen.

**General Robert T. Herres**, USAF (Ret.), Class of 1954: General Herres has led a distinguished military and civilian career. Graduating from the Academy in 1954, Herres joined the then-young Air Force, serving a prominent career in which he served as Commander of NORAD, the North American Aerospace Defense Command and the first Commander of the U.S. Space Command. His military career concluded with a tour as the first Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

**Admiral Charles R. Larson**, USN (Ret.), Class of 1958: Admiral Larson led a 40-year distinguished military career, which included tours as the 51st and 55th Superintendent of the Naval Academy. As a Flag Officer for 20 years, Admiral Larson served in nine assignments both ashore and afloat. Prior to his last tour as Superintendent in the late 1990s, Larson served as Commander in Chief of the U.S. Pacific Fleet and Commander in Chief of the U.S. Pacific Command.

# ATHLETIC SUCCESS

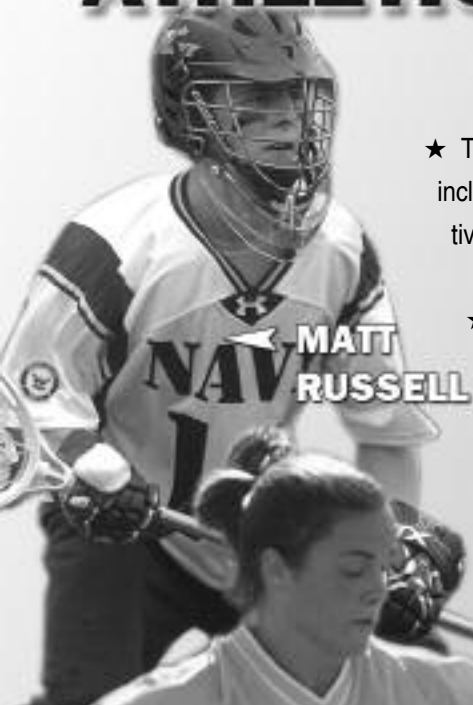
★ Three-time All-American **Matt Russell** guided Navy to three straight NCAA Tournament appearances, including a championship game appearance in 2004. Navy is just one of six teams to play in three consecutive NCAA Tournaments.

★ The 2003 Navy women's soccer team became the first Navy women's team to play in an NCAA Tournament, when it captured the Patriot League Tournament title. During the season, the team played in front of an NCAA single-game attendance record crowd of 6,527 against North Carolina at Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium.

★ Navy's 2004 lightweight crew team saw its varsity boat post an undefeated record during the regular season, win the Eastern Sprints title for the first time in 42 years and capture the program's first IRA National Championship. The season was capped off by Navy's reaching the semifinal round of the Henley Royal Regatta in London, England.

★ Five members of the Navy men's swimming and diving team qualified for the 2004 NCAA Championship meet, the most by the program in over 30 years. The quintet of athletes competed in a combined 11 events at the championship, with both of Navy's relay teams garnering Honorable Mention All-America honors.

★ The Navy rifle team has appeared in 15 consecutive NCAA Tournaments, placing in the top four six times during that span. **Matt Albright** concluded his career in 2005 as a three-time All-American.



← **MATT RUSSELL**



← **STACY FINLEY**



← **LIGHTWEIGHT CREW**



▶ **JOE SMUTZ**



← **MATT ALBRIGHT**

★ In 2002, the Navy baseball program reached its 11th NCAA Tournament, after claiming its fourth Patriot League Tournament championship. The Mids went 1-2 at the NCAA Tournament, defeating George Washington, 6-4. The victory over the Colonials was Navy's first in regional play since 1982.

★ The resurgent Navy football team has appeared in bowl games for three straight years, winning the last two, and owning a 26-11 record since the start of the 2003 season. Quarterback **Aaron Polanco** accounted for all four touchdowns in the 2004 Emerald Bowl victory over New Mexico, 34-19, while Reggie Campbell starred in the 2005 Poinsettia Bowl, tying an NCAA bowl-game record with five touchdowns, helping Navy rout Colorado State, 51-30.

★ The most decorated golfer in Naval Academy history, All-American **Billy Hurley** led the Midshipmen to a pair of NCAA Tournament appearances during his four seasons, the last in 2003. As an individual, he was the 2004 recipient of the prestigious Byron Nelson Award and became the first Service Academy graduate to represent the United States on both the Palmer Cup and Walker Cup teams.

★ Behind the standout play of third-team All-American **Joe Donahue**, Navy reached the 2003 NCAA Water Polo Tournament for the 11th time in school history. Navy has won at least 19 games in 22 consecutive years.



★ A national club power for years, the Navy women's lacrosse team will field a Division I team for the first time ever beginning in 2008. Under the guidance of legendary head coach Cindy Timchal, the sport's all-time winningest coach, and team captains Katie Neff and Elise Chapdelaine (pictured), the team will play in its transitional year in 2007, but will play a full Division I slate in 2008. The newest addition to the varsity lineup at Navy will play all of their home games at one of the finest facilities in the nation, Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium.



**AARON POLANCO**

**CRAIG CANDETO**

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# ACADEMIC SUCCESS

## MAJORS

Students at the Naval Academy can select one of 43 different majors within the following 19 fields of study ...

### Division of Engineering & Weapons

Aerospace Engineering, Electrical Engineering, General Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Naval Architecture, Ocean Engineering, Systems Engineering

### Division of Math & Science

Chemistry, Computer Science, General Science, Information Technology, Math, Oceanography, Physics, Quantitative Economics

### Division of Humanities & Social Science

Economics, English, History, Political Science

In addition to graduating with a Bachelor's of Science, students can also attain a minor in one of seven different languages.

## GRADUATE SCHOOL

There are no graduate school classes offered at the Naval Academy, but opportunities for midshipmen to attain a postgraduate degree at a civilian school or university are available. The ability to attend medical school, as former Navy football player Terrence Anderson '00 did, is another option.

In addition to furthering their education at schools across the country, students at the Naval Academy annually are in competition for one of the prestigious Rhodes Scholarships to study at the University of Oxford in England.

Since Navy's first Rhodes Scholar, E. Van Meter '28, a total of 43 Naval Academy graduates have received the Rhodes Scholarship, including 10 over the last six years. Among Navy's recent recipients is former baseball player Trevor Thompson '05.

## COSIDA ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICANS

Naval Academy student-athletes have been selected as an Academic All-American by the College Sports Information Directors of America 42 times over the years, with Mids garnering 16 awards since 2000.

The list of recent honorees includes two-time Academic All-American Courtney Davidson (women's basketball, 2003 & '04) and first-team recipients Michth Koch (tennis/at-large, 2000), Andrew Sause (water polo/at-large, 2001), Kate Macfarlane (soccer, 2002) and Trevor Thompson (baseball, 2005).

Navy student-athletes garnered a pair of Academic All-American awards last season, with Sean Blackman (gymnastics) and Kirsten Andrews (cross country/track & field) each earning third-team accolades.

## GRADUATION RATES

The Naval Academy athletic program is ranked the best in the country among the 117 schools with Division IA football programs in graduation rates according to a report released by the NCAA in January.

### Top Five Graduation Rates Among Division I-A Schools

Rank	Institution	Graduation Rate
1	Navy	99%
2	Notre Dame	98%
3	Clemson	97%
	Northwestern	97%
5	Duke	96%



Top to Bottom: Terrence Anderson; Abi Campbell; Trevor Thompson; Courtney Davidson; Lisa Steinmetz; Nicole Annapu