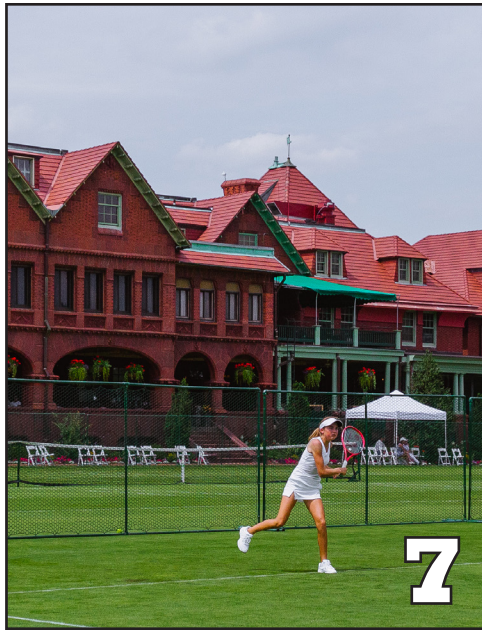




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A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

COL Marc L. Warren, USA (Ret.)

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June marks the beginning of the busy Summer Season. Weddings and private parties supplement our already robust events calendar and the Clubhouse is filled with out-of-town and reciprocal members. Please read the “Save the Date” messages and promptly make reservations. In addition to our continuing Seafood Buffets and Sunday Brunches, June will bring the “Chef’s Table” dinner, the Women’s Networking Brunch, Father’s Day Brunch, and a Dinner and a Show event featuring *The Lion King*. There will be a Rooftop Happy Hour, a “Whiskey and Watches” cocktail party, and a cocktail party to honor the patron of the Daiquiri Lounge, Admiral Lucius W. Johnson. We will hold the annual Military Heritage Mess Night on 3 June, commemorating OPERATION Husky, the Allied invasion of Sicily, with guests of honor Lieutenant General Joe Anderson and Colonel Richard Stewart. On 14 June, General Dennis Reimer will preside at the celebration of the Army’s 248th birthday, with a cake ceremony. Demonstrating the vitality of our “Clubs within the Club” concept, there will be meetings of the Chess Club, Travel Club, Cyber Intelligence Club, and the Fox Conner Society. The Young Member Sub-Committee will offer a “Headshot Happy Hour” where a professional photographer will take a “headshot” of attendees suitable for posting on professional social media. This is all in addition to several book forums and webinars over the course of the month.

Elsewhere in this issue, you will read about The Grand Lady of The Army and Navy Club, Shirley Norris. While “Miss Shirley” has been a member of the Club’s staff for 65 years (since 1958!), her recognition as an Honorary Golden Knight – only the second in the history of the Club – was merited for more than her longevity. Miss Shirley is a living legend whose charm, grace, beauty, and presence complement the Club. She is known, quite literally, to generations of members. In fact, Club member Allen L. Pierce suggested that Miss Shirley should be honored with more than a medal, and commissioned a portrait in her honor. At the ceremony, where she was joined by her beautiful family, Miss Shirley unveiled a portrait that will be displayed in the Clubhouse with gratitude, respect, love, and admiration. I am grateful for Allen’s generosity, the generosity of our members who contributed to the campaign, and to the work of the Library Trust Fund, chaired by Major General John Altenburg, who made the idea of a portrait into a reality. The talented portraitist, Ms. Barrie Barnett, captured Miss Shirley perfectly.

I thank you for your continued membership and loyalty over the past three years. To new members, I thank you for your optimism and commitment. Your Club is sound and solid because of you, its members. I also want to express my gratitude to our General Manager, Sarah Ford, and her directors and staff, without whom we could not function. I wish you all the best and hope to see you around the Club.

COL Marc L. Warren, USA (Ret.)
Club President

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A LETTER FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

Ms. Sarah M. Ford, CHAE

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The end of May and early June mark a very special time. This is when young men and women from all over the country graduate from military academies, universities, colleges, and high schools. Perhaps you will be celebrating a monumental accomplishment with a child, grandchild, family member or friend. We would like to invite you to honor those graduates here with us at The Army and Navy Club. Surrounded by history, academics, and traditions, what better place to recognize their achievements than in the beautiful Clubhouse on Farragut Square? If you have someone in your life graduating this year, please share a picture with us so we can celebrate together! A picture of your graduate may appear in a future publication!

The month of June boasts many other events and holidays worth mentioning. The Annual Military Heritage Mess Night takes place on the first Saturday of June with LTG Joseph Anderson, USA (Ret.) and COL Richard Stewart, USAR (Ret.) serving as special guests of honor.

Then of course we have the U.S. Army's Birthday on June 14th. Still going strong and proclaiming "This We'll Defend" for the 248th year, we will celebrate on the parade outside of the Daiquiri Lounge with complimentary birthday cake at 5pm.

If your plans include spending time with dad on Father's Day, June 18th, then start the day off right with a belly full of food from our classic Sunday buffet.

Finally, June is also a month to celebrate the start of summer. The Summer Solstice marks the longest day of the year in the Northern Hemisphere and the start of the summer season. What better way to kick off the Summer than with a Rooftop Celebration? On Wednesday, June 21st (a day after the Summer Solstice) we welcome the longer days with the first rooftop happy hour event of the season.

Taking a look beyond June, there are a few happenings around the Club I'd like to share. This August, the main kitchen will be closed for renovations. During this time, only the Daiquiri Lounge will be open, offering drinks and bar snacks. However, I am thrilled to announce we've secured reciprocity with the Cosmos Club, University Club, and City Tavern Club. If you would like to dine at one of these locations this summer, please email our membership department for a letter of introduction. Hours of restaurants at these locations may vary, so be sure to confirm reservations with their staff before going.

The Club has had a spectacular Spring and we look forward to carrying that success and productivity throughout the summer months.

See you around the Club!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sarah M. Ford". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sarah M. Ford, CHAE

General Manager / COO

REAR ADMIRAL JOHN BITOFF, USN (RET.)

By COL Thomas F. Woloszyn, USA (Ret.), *Special Events Committee*



Our Club was established by veterans to foster camaraderie and the discussion of topics of interest to the Profession of Arms. Rear Admiral John Bitoff is a non-resident member of our Club and also a member of the Fox Conner Society which fosters those ideals.

John Bitoff was born in Brooklyn, New York and graduated from the Maine Maritime Academy in 1958. He initially served as a Merchant Marine Officer with the Military Sea Transportation Service (MSTS) on ships servicing the DEW Line sites in Labrador and Greenland and in Operation Deep Freeze in Antarctica. In 1960 he reported on active duty in the Navy and spent the next 13 years in sea duty assignments primarily in destroyer type ships. His sea commands include the *USS DeLong* (DE-684), temporary command of *USS C.P. Cecil* (DD-835) and the *USS Blakely* (FF-1072). He later commanded the master training base of the U.S. Atlantic Fleet at Dam Neck, Virginia. His first shore duty assignment was as Operations Briefer to the Chief of Naval Operations. The Admiral is a graduate of the National War College and was a classmate and friend of GEN Colin Powell. He completed graduate work in Human Resources Management and International Relations. As a flag officer he commanded Combat

Logistics Group ONE and Naval Base San Francisco. The 14 ships in the Group provided all of the ammunition, fuel and provisions to the fleet during Operation Desert Storm. It was during this assignment that he was responsible for integrating women aboard U.S. Third Fleet logistics ships. When the Loma Prieta Earthquake struck the San Francisco Bay Area in 1989, Admiral Bitoff led the Navy's rescue and recovery effort with more than ten thousand Navy and Marine Corps personnel.

The Admiral has a life-long interest in leadership and its relationship to civility, character and integrity. Several of his assignments brought him in close contact with senior officers noted for their leadership qualities such as RADM Eugene Fluckey of WWII fame and ADM Elmo Zumwalt, the CNO famous as a change agent and for his Z-Grams. He later served several tours as Executive Assistant to Admiral William J. Crowe when the admiral was NATO CINCUSOUTH/CINCUSNAVEUR, USCINCPAC and later as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs. One of his favorite assignments was as the EUCOM J-5, Director of Plans and Policy, where he oversaw the implementation of the Intermediate Range Nuclear Forces (INF) Treaty. Upon retirement from the Navy, the Mayor of San Francisco appointed him Director of Emergency Services responsible for coordinating the Police, Fire and Emergency Medical Services. He later served as a senior executive for the Superintendent of Schools. His most challenging job was as Executive Assistant to the Chairman JCS and working with the White House and the Service Staffs. John claims he was "always looking for an easy job and never once found one."

The Admiral joined the Club in 1984 at the suggestion of the EUCOM Chief of Staff. He enjoys his regular visits to DC where his daughter Elizabeth

Odom resides with her family. She is the spouse of an Army general who is the son of the late LTG William Odom who was a 40-year member of the ANC. Bitoff is a Director on the Boards of The Salvation Army and the National World War II Memorial and he continues to serve his community by regularly speaking on a subject of deep interest in these changing times, Civility in Our Public Discourse. He also lectures on Perspectives on Leadership and on the lives of famous WWII naval leaders. Recently he gave a talk on Nimitz as Leader to the Fox Conner Society.

I asked John, if the Special Events Committee could arrange an interview with two historical figures, who should they be and what would he ask them. He responded, President Abraham Lincoln and General U.S. Grant and he would query them on how they coped with the media and detractor's lies and criticism during the Civil War. He recalled the example of Admiral Nimitz who was advised to "clean house" on his staff following the attack at Pearl Harbor. Instead, Nimitz told his staff he did not blame them for what had happened and that he needed their expertise, which history proved him to be correct. Bitoff opines that Nimitz's example of character, civility, empathy and magnanimity is as important today as it was in 1941.

Rear Admiral John Bitoff is a personable leader who continues serving his community today. I asked him for sage advice for junior leaders and club members. His response brought to mind the advice his Dad, son of Russian and Polish immigrants, offered: "Don't forget where you came from and always take care of your men." I would offer this as sound advice for all of us. In the three years that I have known John, he has proved to be a caring and intuitive person who looks for ways to serve others. Indeed, an authentic leader.

THE ARMY AND NAVY CLUB
WELCOMES THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS

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CAPT James C. Sartain, USMC
ENS Samuel J. Schumach, USN
LT Tony Joseph Seleznick, USCG

FLORIDA

Mr. Albert A. Gomez
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LTG Guy C. Swan III, USA (Ret.)
CAPT Larry A. Williamson, USN (Ret.)

GEORGIA

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MARYLAND

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SOUNDING TAPS

Our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of:

Mr. Henry Dale Hemmerdinger – *New York, NY*

Dr. Mitchell S. Rosenthal – *New York, NY*

NEWSWORTHY

Do you have something exciting that you would like to share with the Club?

Send your news and photos to the Membership & Marketing Department

membership@armynavyclub.org



The Merion Cricket Club

CLUB HISTORY

Established in 1865, The Merion Cricket Club is located in Haverford, Pennsylvania and is officially certified as a National Historic Landmark. In addition to the Clubhouse, the meticulously manicured Great Lawn, which is home to a variety of world class athletics and activities, distinguishes The Merion Cricket Club. The Club's outstanding tennis and squash programs have given rise to numerous national and international champions over the years. Throughout the Club's history, numerous renovations to the clubhouse, dining rooms, athletic areas and campus exemplify the Club's forward focused strategy. Most recently, the Campus Master Plan expansion gave way to the Aquatics Complex, Bistro Twenty20, and the Durham Guest House.

ATHLETICS

The Merion Cricket Club has long enjoyed a rich history of world class athletics. The renowned Great Lawn is home to the historical game of cricket and some of the finest grass tennis courts in the world. The abundant recreational activities also include indoor tennis, squash, platform tennis, pickleball, cricket, croquet, field hockey, soccer and bowling.

FITNESS CENTER

The Fitness Center offers a variety of fitness classes and cardio and strength training equipment. It is supervised at all times by certified professional staff trained in exercise physiology. To address post-workout muscle and joint needs, massage therapy services are available using targeted pain-relieving techniques as well as relaxing full-body massage.

THE POOL

Summertime welcomes warm days spent poolside for all ages. The resort style pool is 25 yards featuring six lap lanes with a starting depth of 3 feet up to 6 feet 6 inches in the main pool. Surrounding the pool, members can enjoy poolside food and beverage service from Bistro Twenty20. The children's wading pool has a zero-depth entry, making it easily accessible for younger children.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Merion's Durham House welcomes guests to experience the warmth and charm of a historic Main Line home with 6 well-appointed bedrooms, a reading room and a refreshment area for all guests. Each bedroom is uniquely arranged with beautiful textures and custom furnishings.

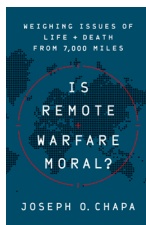
DINING

Dining at Merion represents the unifying center of the Club. This experience begins with the vision of the Certified Executive Chef and his talented culinary team. The Club's emphasis on delivering a first-class dining experience with exceptional food and service is reflected in its renovated restaurants. Merion offers formal dining in the Furness Room, upscale casual dining in the Cricket Room, as well as, quick casual dining in the Courtside Café.

In the summer months, the doors to The Porch spring open to provide amazing alfresco dining overlooking the magnificent Great Lawn while the poolside Bistro Twenty20 exudes a relaxing summertime atmosphere.

Request a Letter of Introduction through the Club website or email Roland Gonzales at rgonzales@armynavyclub.org

BOOK FORUM

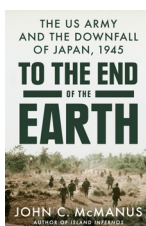


“Is Remote Warfare Moral?: Weighing Issues of Life and Death from 7,000 Miles” with Lt Col Joseph Chapa

Tuesday, June 6, 2023
 Reception: 6:30 pm | Speaker: 7:00 pm
 \$10++ per person | Ballroom
 Wine and cheese reception included

America is at an important turning point. Remote warfare is not just a mainstay of post-9/11 wars, it is a harbinger of what lies ahead—a future of high-tech, artificial intelligence—enabled, and autonomous weapons systems that raise a host of new ethical questions. Most fundamentally, is remote warfare moral? And if so, why? Joseph O. Chapa, with unique credentials as Air Force officer, Predator pilot, and doctorate in moral philosophy, serves as our guide to understanding this future, able to engage in both the language of military operations and the language of moral philosophy. Through gripping accounts of remote pilots making life-and-death decisions and analysis of high-profile cases such as the killing of Iranian high government official General Qasem Soleimani, Chapa examines remote warfare within the context of the just war tradition, virtue, moral psychology, and moral responsibility. He develops the principles we should use to evaluate its morality, especially as pilots apply human judgment in morally complex combat situations. Moving on to the bigger picture, he examines how the morality of human decisions in remote war is situated within the broader moral context of U.S. foreign policy and the future of warfare.

BOOK FORUM



“TO THE END OF THE EARTH: The US Army and the Downfall of Japan, 1945” with John McManus

Tuesday, June 13, 2023
 Reception: 6:30 pm | Speaker: 7:00 pm
 \$10++ per person | Ballroom
 Wine and cheese reception included

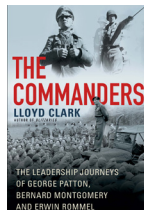
The dawn of 1945 finds the U.S. Army at its peak in the Pacific. Allied victory over Japan is all but assured. The only question is how many more months—or years—of fight does the enemy have left? On the island of Luzon, a months-long stand-off between U.S. and Japanese troops finally breaks open, as American soldiers push into Manila and paratroopers capture nearby Corregidor. The Philippines are soon liberated, and Allied leaders turn their eyes to Iwo Jima, Okinawa, and the Japanese home islands themselves. McManus puts readers in foxholes next to American soldiers, braving intense heat, rampant disease, and a suicidal enemy, determined to kill as many opponents as possible before their looming defeat. At higher levels, McManus taps into the strategizing and politicking that both complicated and eventually won the war. He offers an outstanding character study of the titanic ego and ambition of the Pacific War's most influential general, Douglas MacArthur, and the complex challenges he faced in Japan's unconditional surrender and America's lengthy occupation.

EVENT REMINDERS

Dress Code: Traditional business attire (jackets and neckties for men, equally appropriate attire for women) is required for special events in the Ballroom and Main Dining Room. The prescribed service uniform of the day is acceptable. Jeans are not permitted for adults or children.

Special Event Cancellation Policy: Due to the popularity of our paid events, cancellation made within 72 hours of the event date will result in the member's account being charged 50% of the event price. Cancellations made within 24 hours of the event, and no-shows, will result in the member's account being charged the full event price.

WEBINAR



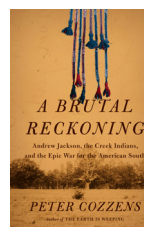
“The Commanders: The Leadership Journeys of George Patton, Bernard Montgomery, and Erwin Rommel” with Lloyd Clark

Thursday, June 15, 2023
 12:00 pm | Virtual Webinar via Zoom
 Reservations are required.

Born in the two decades prior to World War I, George Patton, Bernard Montgomery, and Erwin Rommel became among the most recognized and successful military leaders of the 20th century. However, as acclaimed military historian Lloyd Clark reveals in his penetrating and insightful braided chronicle of their lives, they charted very different, often interrupted, paths to their ultimate leadership positions commanding hundreds of thousands of troops during World War II and celebrated as heroes in the United States, Britain, and Germany.

Weaving letters, diary extracts, official reports, and other documents into his original narrative, recounting dramatic battles as they developed on the ground and at headquarters, Clark explores the controversies that swirled around Patton, Montgomery, and Rommel throughout their careers, sometimes threatening to derail them. Ultimately, however, their unique abilities to bridge the space between leader and led cemented their legendary reputations.

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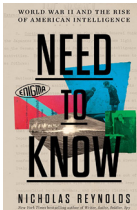
“A Brutal Reckoning: Andrew Jackson, the Creek Indians, and the Epic War for the American South” with Peter Cozzens

Tuesday, June 20, 2023
 Reception: 6:30 pm | Speaker: 7:00 pm
 \$10++ per person | Ballroom
 Wine and cheese reception included

The Creek War is one of the most tragic episodes in American history, leading to the greatest loss of Native American life on what is now U.S. soil. What began as a vicious internal conflict among the Creek Indians metastasized like a cancer. The ensuing Creek War of 1813-1814 shattered Native American control of the Deep South and led to the infamous Trail of Tears, in which the government forcibly removed the southeastern Indians from their homeland. The war also gave Andrew Jackson his first combat leadership role, and his newfound popularity after defeating the Creeks would set him on the path to the White House.

In *A Brutal Reckoning*, Peter Cozzens vividly captures the young Jackson, describing a brilliant but harsh military commander with unbridled ambition, a taste for cruelty, and a fraught sense of honor and duty. Jackson would not have won the war without the help of Native American allies, yet he denied their role and even insisted on their displacement, together with all the Indians of the American South in the Trail of Tears. A conflict involving not only white Americans and Native Americans, but also the British and the Spanish, the Creek War opened the Deep South to the Cotton Kingdom, setting the stage for the American Civil War yet to come.

BOOK FORUM



“Need to Know” with Nicholas Reynolds

Tuesday, July 11, 2023

Reception: 6:30 pm | Speaker: 7:00 pm

\$10++ per person | Ballroom

Wine and cheese reception included

The entire vast, modern American intelligence system—the amalgam of three-letter spy services of many stripes—can be traced back to the dire straits the world faced at the dawn of World War II. Prior to 1940, the United States had no organization to recruit spies and steal secrets or launch covert campaigns against enemies overseas and just a few codebreakers, isolated in windowless vaults. It was only through Winston Churchill’s determination to mobilize the US in the fight against Hitler that the first American spy service was born, built from scratch against the background of the Second World War.

In *Need to Know*, Nicholas Reynolds explores the birth, infancy, and adolescence of modern American intelligence. In this first-ever look across the entirety of the war effort, Reynolds combines little-known history and gripping spy stories to analyze the origins of American codebreakers and spies as well as their contributions to Allied victory, revealing how they laid the foundation for the Cold War—and beyond.

ORIENTATION



Virtual New Member Orientation

Wednesday, July 26, 2023 | 6:00 pm via Zoom

Reservations are required.

With the Club's promise of continuing virtual events for our non-resident members, the next Virtual New Member Orientation is scheduled for July 26. Orientations are a great way for new members to become familiar with Club Staff, all of the programming the ANC has to offer, and learn how to get the most out of your membership.

BOOK FORUM REMINDERS

Dinner service in The Main Dining Room begins at 5:30 pm. Please note, when you attend the Tuesday Night Seafood Buffet on the night of a book forum, your \$10++ forum fee is waived.

Additionally, members who attend the forum can stay at the Club for 20% off the room rate that evening.

For hotel or dining reservations, please call the Front Desk at 202-628-8400.

Sunday Brunch

Sundays, June 4, 11, & 25, 2023

Sundays, July 9 & 23, 2023

Seatings from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

\$42++ (plus 20% gratuity and 10% tax)

Beverages are an additional cost.

Please call (202) 628-8400 for reservations

Join us for Sunday Brunch! Each week our Chef creates a menu to feature DC's freshest and highest quality ingredients.

ALL AMERICAN BRUNCH

Sunday, July 2, 2023

Seatings from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

\$42++ (plus 20% gratuity and 10% tax)

Beverages are an additional cost.

Celebrate America's birthday at the Club with all of your brunch favorites with a patriotic twist!

French Brunch

Sunday, July 16, 2023

Seatings from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

\$42++ (plus 20% gratuity and 10% tax)

Beverages are an additional cost.

In honor of Bastille day on July 14th, Chef Deloach is bringing French fare to Sunday Brunch.

BBQ BRUNCH

Sunday, July 30, 2023

Seatings from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

\$42++ (plus 20% gratuity and 10% tax)

Beverages are an additional cost.

Nothing says summer like BBQ and spending time with family! Enjoy Chef Deloach's crowd-pleasing BBQ at Sunday Brunch.

THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

2022 RECIPIENT

Major General Daniel V. Wright UNITED STATES ARMY, RETIRED



Major General Wright is considered an expert on all Club governance matters. His committee experience and service as Club Vice-President prepared him for the challenges of Club President. He recruited highly qualified and technically competent employees and Club members to address specific tasks on committees, the Board of Governors, and the staff. Having served as an Army Infantry Airborne Ranger

officer and Judge Advocate General Corps officer, his leadership and energy were, and remain, important and positive factors in simultaneously increasing membership while ensuring the Club's financial solvency during unprecedented events.

General Wright provided both outstanding service and extraordinary achievement in support of The Army and Navy Club. He was the longest serving President with over five years as President of the Club. After serving a year and a half as Club Vice President, Dan selflessly assumed the duties of Club President when the incumbent President unexpectedly stepped down. As President, his strong leadership sustained the Club through a challenging leadership transition and several difficult Club personnel management issues. His courage was in evidence frequently, especially when addressing member complaints that were more politically nuanced than substantive. He earned the admiration of the Board of Governors, committees, and staff as an engaged, "hands-on" manager and courageous leader. He listens respectfully to both suggestions and complaints. He mastered Club governance principles and proved it by ensuring the Club seeks novel ways to provide service to members during the pandemic. He and his wonderful wife Jan attended most New Member Orientations to welcome new members personally to our great Club and orient them on the great services and features in the Club. The Army and Navy Club has been truly fortunate to have Major General Dan Wright as our Vice President and President. His tremendous contributions fully merit the 2022 Distinguished Service Award, and it is conferred herewith with our great pleasure.

General Wright, we salute you and thank you for your exceptional service on behalf of our esteemed Club. Your contributions fully meet the significant requirements for award of the Club's Distinguished Service Medal, given under my hand on 19 April 2022.

2023 RECIPIENT

Judge William S. Colwell, Colonel UNITED STATES AIR FORCE, RETIRED



Colonel William S. Colwell, U.S. Air Force Retired, provided outstanding, loyal service in support of The Army and Navy Club and its governance. A member of the Club since 1990, he staunchly and consistently advocated on behalf of the Club, especially in the aspect of encouraging membership. He sought out employees to praise their efforts and to encourage their continued service to members. He and his hard-

working wife, Ginny, always represented the Club graciously. The Army and Navy Club has benefitted greatly by having Bill Colwell not only as an active member, but also as a dedicated committee member and Governor on the Club's Board.

Colonel Colwell is a loyal Club member who supported the Club in multiple ways from the day he became a member. Upon retirement from the U.S. Air Force, he made time to contribute as a member of the Membership Committee and subsequently was nominated to serve on the Board of Governors. He served on the Board of Governors for nine years, including two years (2008-2010) as Chairman of the Membership Committee. He also became a Trustee on the Library Trust Committee where he served 2016-2022. Colonel Colwell's energy has always been an important and positive factor in simultaneously increasing membership while ensuring the Club's financial solvency during unprecedented events.

His contributions merit the 2023 Distinguished Service Award, and it is conferred herewith with great pleasure by the Nominating Committee and the Board of Governors.

Colonel Colwell, we salute you and thank you for your exceptional service on behalf of our esteemed Club. Your contributions fully meet the significant requirements for award of the Club's Distinguished Service Medal, given under my hand on 18 April 2023.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Marc Warren".

COL Marc L. Warren, USA (Ret.)
Club President



SUMMER HOTEL SPECIAL

Pardon our dust! This August, the main kitchen will be closed for renovations. Members and their guests can receive 50% off our regular rates from August 1 - August 27 while dining outlets are closed. The Daiquiri Lounge will remain open offering drinks and bar snacks.

Book your stay with us today!

Special applies to new bookings only. Contact the Front Desk at (202) 628-8400 for reservations.

COCKTAIL OF THE MONTH JUST PEACHY

This fruity gin cocktail is the best way to take advantage of peach season! Fresh peach syrup gives this drink an intense peach flavor that pairs perfectly with the herbal and spicy notes from the gin. Add a splash of gingerale or substitute with club soda for a bit of fizz.

INGREDIENTS

- 2 oz Gin
- 1/2 oz Peach Syrup
- 1 oz Lime Juice
- Splash of Gingerale
- Lime Wedge to garnish

PEACH SYRUP

Add 1 cup of fresh peaches cut into chunks, 1/2 cup of granulated sugar and 1/3 cup water into a saucepan over medium to high heat. Bring to a simmer, stirring occasionally for 10-15 minutes.

Remove from heat and pass through a strainer. Let cool before adding to your cocktail.

RECIPE

Add ingredients into a cocktail shaker with ice.

Shake for 5 to 10 seconds until frost appears on the side.

Strain into a collins glass with ice, garnish, and enjoy!

JUNE 2023

SPECIAL EVENTS SNAPSHOT		SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
6/1	6:30 pm Ballroom Dance Lessons Sold Out!					1 Ballroom Dance Lessons (Day 5) - Sold Out!	2	3 Military Heritage Mess Night - Sold Out!
6/3	6:00 pm Military Heritage Mess Night - Sold Out!							
6/6	6:30 pm Lt Col Joseph Chapa Book Forum							
6/9	5:30 pm Whiskey and Watches - Sold Out!							
6/11	11:00 am Women's Networking Brunch	4 Sunday Brunch	5	6 Seafood Buffet Lt Col Joseph Chapa Book Forum	7	8 Wine Society	9 Whiskey and Watches Sold Out!	10 Chess Club (offsite)
6/13	6:30 pm John McManus Book Forum							
6/14	5:00 pm U.S. Army Birthday Cake Cutting	11 Sunday Brunch Women's Networking Brunch	12	13 Seafood Buffet John McManus Book Forum	14 U.S. Army Birthday	15 Lloyd Clark Webinar Headshot Happy Hour	16 Chef's Table - Sold Out!	17
6/15	12:00 pm Lloyd Clark Webinar							
6/15	6:30 pm Headshot Happy Hour							
6/16	7:00 pm Chef's Table - Sold Out!							
6/18	11:00 am Father's Day Brunch	18 Father's Day Brunch	19 Juneteenth - Club Closed, Hotel Open	20 Seafood Buffet Peter Cozzens Book Forum	21 Rooftop Happy Hour - Sold Out!	22	23 Annual Daiquiri Party Dinner and a Show at the Kennedy Center: The Lion King - Sold Out!	24 Chess Club
6/20	6:30 pm Peter Cozzens Book Forum							
6/21	6:00 pm Rooftop Happy Hour - Sold Out!							
6/23	4:00 pm Annual Daiquiri Party							
6/23	5:30 pm Dinner and a Show at the Kennedy Center: The Lion King - Sold Out!	25 Sunday Brunch	26 Fox Conner Society	27 Seafood Buffet Cyber Intelligence Club	28	29	30	

JULY 2023

SPECIAL EVENTS SNAPSHOT	
7/11	6:30 pm Nicholas Reynolds Book Forum
7/14	6:00 pm Dinner and a Show: 1776
7/19	6:00 pm Rooftop Happy Hour - Sold Out!
7/21	6:30 pm Vietnam 50th Anniversary Commemoration
7/26	6:00 pm Virtual New Member Orientation

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2 All-American Brunch	3	4 Independence Day - Club Closed, Hotel Open	5	6	7	8 Chess Club
9 Sunday Brunch	10	11 Seafood Buffet Nicholas Reynolds Book Forum	12	13	14 Dinner and a Show: 1776	15
16 United States Public Health Service Birthday French Brunch	17	18	19 Rooftop Happy Hour - Sold Out!	20	21 Vietnam 50th Anniversary Commemoration	22 Chess Club
23 Sunday Brunch	24	25 Seafood Buffet Cyber Intelligence Club	26 Virtual New Member Orientation	27	28	29
30 BBQ Brunch	31 Fox Conner Society					

DINING HOURS
MAIN DINING ROOM Breakfast 7:00 - 10:00 am (M-F) Lunch 11:30 am - 2:00 pm (M-F) Dinner 5:30 - 9:00 pm (M-F) 6:30 - 9:00 pm (Sat) Sunday Brunch 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
EAGLE GRILL Lunch 11:30 am - 2:00 pm (M-F) Dinner 5:00 - 9:00 pm (W-F)

SOLD OUT

WHISKEY & WATCHES

**FRIDAY,
JUNE 9, 2023**

5:30 - 7:30 PM

BALLROOM

Join us for an evening of whiskey cocktails, watches, and a horological education with Ron Stoll of Carl F. Bucherer Watches. Samples of several timepieces will be on display as well as passed hors d'oeuvres and a limited bar to kick-off the weekend.

\$45++ per person

**To join the wait-list,
call (202) 355-0525.**

Headshot Happy Hour

Need to update your LinkedIn profile or professional bio? The Army and Navy Club is hosting another always popular Headshot Happy Hour!

Photographer Eddie Arrossi will be available to take your professional headshot in as little as 60 seconds and even share the image with you instantly!

\$20++ per person

Thursday, June 15, 2023

6:30 to 8:30 pm

Eagle Grill

Event fee includes a professional headshot, one drink ticket, and light hors d'oeuvres.

For reservations, call (202) 355-0525.

Rooftop Happy Hour

W E D N E S D A Y
J U N E 2 1

Sold Out, Wait-list Only.

W E D N E S D A Y
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Sold Out, Wait-list Only.

W E D N E S D A Y
S E P T E M B E R 2 0

Registration opens July 22

T H U R S D A Y
O C T O B E R 5

Registration opens August 6



6:00 - 8:00 PM

ARMY NAVY BUILDING ROOFTOP

\$30++ PER PERSON
(20% GRATUITY & 10% TAX)

PRICE INCLUDES HEAVY APPETIZERS.
DRINKS ARE AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE.
RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED. PLEASE
CHECK-IN FOR THE EVENT AT THE EAGLE
GRILL.

Enjoy the warmer weather with heavy hors d'oeuvres and happy hour pricing on a selection of wine, beer and specialty cocktails. The dress code is casual attire; jackets and neckties are not required.

To make a reservation for this highly-anticipated series, contact the Events Department at (202) 355-0525 starting on the appropriate opening date listed above.

Women's Networking Brunch

Sunday, June 11, 2023

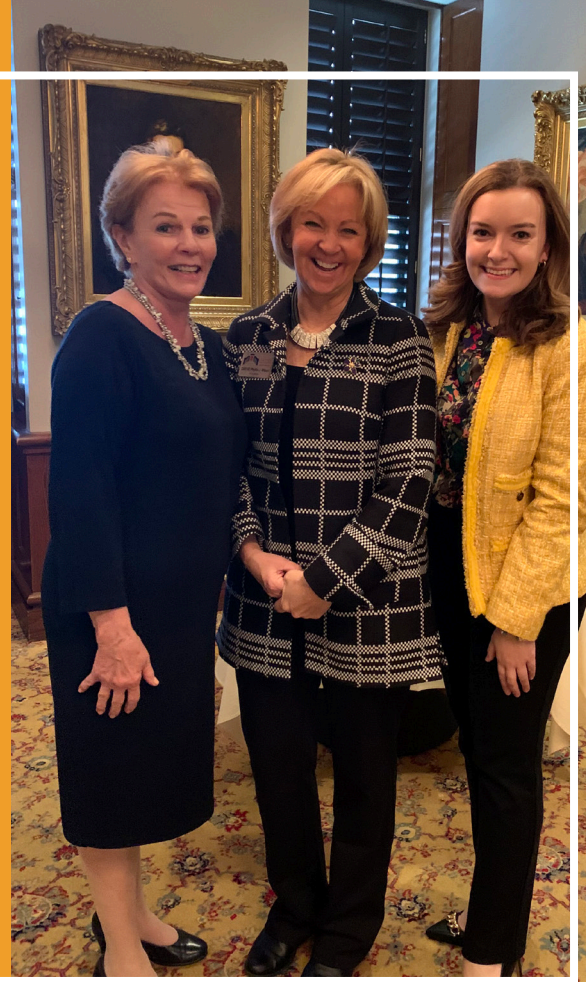
11:00 am to 1:00 pm

\$42++ per person

Beverages are an additional cost

Interested in making connections with your fellow female Club members? Take part in the upcoming Women's Networking Brunch!

Call the Front Desk at (202) 628-8400 and ask for a reservation in the Pershing Room.



Father's Day Brunch

SUNDAY, JUNE 18, 2023

Seatings from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm

\$58++ per adult | \$20++ per child ages 5-12

(plus 20% gratuity and 10% tax)

Complimentary for children ages 4 & under.

Beverages are an additional cost.

Please call (202) 628-8400 for reservations.





CLUBS WITHIN THE CLUB

Clubs within the Club (CWC) offer members an opportunity to connect, meet and socialize with fellow members who share the same interests.



CHESS CLUB

The mission of The Army and Navy Club Chess Club is to engage Club Members who already play chess, and to offer beginners an opportunity to learn the game. The Chess Club will increase friendships and bonds between Club members who might not otherwise have a chance to meet. The ANC Chess Club meets twice a month and is open to all members, all ages, and their families.

For more information on the Chess Club, please contact Thomas Switajewski at thomswit@earthlink.net.



CYBER INTELLIGENCE CLUB

The Cyber Intelligence Club will support the ANC by providing another venue to attract the next generation of ANC members. It will create an internal network of members and foster career growth through a fun, social setting focused on learning about and discussing cyber-related topics.

For more information on how to become a part of the Cyber Club, please contact Dean Lane at dlane@iwp.edu.



FOX CONNER SOCIETY

The Fox Conner Society is focused on history, national security, strategy, leadership and current geopolitical and military events. It is a mix of active and retired military officers and professionals in the defense and foreign affairs communities. The goal of the Society is to “polish our intellect” and develop leaders using the model of its namesake: MG Fox Conner, mentor to Eisenhower, Patton and Marshall. The Society gathers once a month for drinks, a round table discussion and dinner.

For more information, please contact COL Thomas Woloszyn, USA (Ret.) at FoxConnerSociety@gmail.com.



TRAVEL CLUB

The Travel Club is open to all Club Members interested in travel and offers a combination of short regional trips, some of which may include use of reciprocal club privileges, and possibly longer, more extensive tours.

For more information on how to become a part of the Travel Club, please email travelclubanc@gmail.com.



WINE SOCIETY

The Wine Society is open to all members interested in wine and offers social activities focused on wine tasting, pairing and education.

For more information on the Wine Society, please contact Elizabeth Newcomer at enewcomer@armynavyclub.org.



ANNUAL DAIQUIRI PARTY



Friday, June 23, 2023
4:00 to 6:00 pm
Daiquiri Bar & Lounge
Reservations are not required.

Join us in celebrating the anniversary of Admiral Lucius W. Johnson's 141st Birthday! Enjoy happy hour pricing on daiquiris and complimentary Cuban appetizers.

SOLD OUT

DINNER & A SHOW AT THE KENNEDY CENTER

THE LION KING

FRIDAY **DINNER: 5:30 PM**
JUNE 23, 2023 **SHOW: 7:30 PM** **\$150++ PER PERSON**

More than 100 million people around the world have experienced the phenomenon of Disney's *The Lion King*, and now Washington, D.C.'s best-loved musical returns to the Kennedy Center!

Dinner at the Club will include a 3-course, prix fixe menu. Beverages are not included. Members will be responsible for their own transportation to and from the Kennedy Center.

Please call the Events Department at (202) 355-0525 to be added to the wait-list.

1776



THE MUSICAL

FRIDAY, JULY 14, 2023

DINNER AT 6:00 PM | SHOW AT 8:00 PM

\$150++ PER PERSON

They knew they would make history, but not what history would make of them. Fed up with living under the tyranny of British rule, John Adams attempts to persuade his fellow members of the Continental Congress to vote in favor of American Independence and sign the Declaration. But how much is he willing to compromise in the pursuit of freedom? And to whom does that freedom belong? This new production of the Tony Award–winning musical, reexamines this pivotal moment in American history with a cast that reflects multiple representations of race, gender, and ethnicity.

Event fee includes a three–course prix fixe dinner at the Club and ticket to the show. Beverages are not included. Members will be responsible for their own transportation to and from the Kennedy Center.

Due to the nature of the event and limited availability of tickets, cancellations and refunds will not be allowed once your reservation has been made unless we are able to fill your reservation from a potential waitlist.

**For reservations, please call
Kiara Cyprianos at (202) 355-0525**

VIETNAM 50TH ANNIVERSARY *Commemoration*



FRIDAY, JULY 21, 2023

\$35++ PER PERSON | COAT AND TIE

6:30 PM | 2ND FLOOR PARADE | COCKTAIL RECEPTION

7:30 PM | BALLROOM | PRESENTATION

The Department of Defense Vietnam War Commemoration has recognized The Army and Navy Club as a Commemorative Partner for our willingness to thank and honor Vietnam War Veterans and their families.

On July 21st, join us for an event to remember as we honor the service, valor and sacrifice of our Vietnam Veterans and their Families. Members are invited to a cocktail reception to visit and network with fellow members followed by a musical performance by the West Point Alumni Glee Club and a distinguished Vietnam Veteran guest speaker.

As a Commemorative Partner, The Army and Navy Club's Special Events Committee will be hosting several events recognizing the veterans and family members of those who served in the Vietnam theater conflicts throughout the remainder of the year.

Event includes an hour reception with heavy hors d'oeuvres and hosted limited bar with beer and wine. Liquor is available by chit.

For reservations, please call the Events Department at (202) 355-0525.

LTC Martha Raye

U.S. ARMY RESERVES (USAR), 1916-1994

ARMY NURSE | SINGER | ACTRESS | COMEDIAN

By COL Geoffrey G. Prosch, USA (Ret.), *Club Historian*

Born in Butte, Montana in 1916 to Irish immigrant parents who performed in local vaudeville, Martha made her debut in the family act at age three. She later succeeded as a singer and comic actress in Hollywood, on Broadway and on television. She made her first feature film in 1934, "Rhythm on the Range," sharing billing with the young crooner Bing Crosby. In tribute to her many years of selfless contributions to our nation, the Academy Awards honored Martha in 1969 with the Jean Hersholt Humanitarian Award for her "extraordinary volunteer efforts and services to the troops."

On a personal note, I first met Martha Raye (AKA the "Big Mouth" and considered the female equivalent of Bob Hope) as a West Point Plebe in May 1966 when the Corps of Cadets marched down 5th Avenue in New York City for the annual Armed Forces Day Parade. Martha was dressed in Army "Greens" wearing "spit shined" Corcoran Jump Boots and a Green Beret, while she strode through the Cadet formations providing inspirational remarks before we were given the command, "forward march." (Author's Note: This traditional NYC Parade, conducted annually by a grateful city following our victory in World War II, was cancelled in 1967 due to protests over the war in Vietnam. It has yet to be resumed).

Martha enlisted as an Army Nurse in World War II and stayed in the USAR reaching the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. A dynamo of selfless devotion, she deployed on USO tours in WWII, Korea, and Vietnam. Martha adopted the Army Special Forces (SF) as her favorite Army organization, and her visits to remote Army SF camps in Vietnam are legendary. For nine years, she made trips to Vietnam sometimes staying up to six months at a time and often using her training as a nurse to assist the wounded. [Author's Note: Following combat duty as a junior officer in Vietnam, many fellow combat arms received our post graduate education in soldiering as Operational Detachment Alpha (ODA) team leaders with the Army SF. Unlike the rest of the Army, the SF ODA is designed and trained to conduct operations entirely independently. The 12 Soldier ODA (comprised of weapons, engineer, medical, commo, intelligence, and operations senior sergeants) can organize, equip, train, and lead in combat a battalion size force of Indigenous personnel--such as the Montagnard tribe people dwelling in the highlands of Vietnam]. Army SF units create a small U.S. footprint and are "force multipliers."

Back in Hollywood, Martha built a cottage in her back yard dedicated to the SF with an open invitation to all SF troops returning from Vietnam to stop by for beverages, food, and camaraderie. Stories of returning SF troopers – stopping in Hollywood, ringing Martha's doorbell unannounced, and her throwing parties for them in her cottage and offering them lodging – are acclaimed. In grateful tribute, Martha was given the honorary rank of Colonel and the nickname "Colonel Maggie" by the SF.

In memory of Martha, the large entertainment room of her cottage, filled with her awards and tributes, was disassembled, and reconstructed as a permanent exhibit at Fort Bragg. After passing away at age 78 in 1994, LTC Martha Raye was buried with full military honors at the Ft Bragg Main Post cemetery. Forever a patriot, Martha Raye endured more hardship and less comfort than many other USO entertainers. Hand salute to a great lady.





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A CELEBRATION *of Miss Shirley Norris*

The annual black tie dinner of The Golden Knights and past ANC presidents is always a special event. The main thrust of the evening is typically the honoring of those who have been Club members for 50 years (Golden Knights), but this year's dinner took on added significance. For only the second time in the Club's 135-year history, we named an Honorary Golden Knight. The honoree was Miss Shirley Norris, our Club ambassador, who is known and loved by us all. Shirley was hired in 1958 by Mr. Homer Saunders—our only other Honorary Golden Knight, who served the Club for 75 years.

Shirley joined Club President Marc Warren's table along with her daughter, Sabrina Wright; son, Ricky Norris; and Shirley's nieces Dobie, Talita, Sharan and Donita. Her closest relatives were there to see the Club honor its most favorite staff member. President Warren described her as the Grand Lady of The Army and Navy Club, known and loved by generations of Club members.

She started as cloak room attendant, then front desk clerk, elevator attendant, card room attendant (where she took care of Mrs. Mamie Eisenhower at her weekly bridge parties), dining room waitress, and maître d'.

She also served as bartender for both the dining room and the Daiquiri Lounge. For the past several years, Miss Shirley has been our Club Ambassador, front and center in the Main Lobby, where she welcomes all who enter.

Shirley remembers Mrs. Eisenhower and her bridge guests always began their weekly meeting with martinis. Her salient memory of President Reagan, when he spoke at the rededication of the Club in 1987, is "how handsome the President looked that day. He wore a dark chocolate, pin stripe suit and shook hands with all of us."

As President Warren said as he put the Golden Knight medal around her neck, Miss Shirley is a living legend. Her charm, grace, beauty, and presence perfectly complement the Club. We are exceedingly fortunate to have had her with us for 65 years.



Miss Shirley (third from left) in a group photo with fellow dining room staff.

A portrait of Miss Shirley was also unveiled, which many of you have now seen displayed in the Club lobby. The portrait was commissioned through private donations of Club members in an effort led by Allen Pierce, who was in attendance on this evening—and to whom we offer our sincere gratitude for spearheading this most meaningful project. Portrait artist Barrie Barnett was also in attendance to unveil the portrait with Allen. Look for our next issue for an interview with Barrie about her experience painting Miss Shirley’s portrait. It was a magnificent evening for a magnificent woman. We love you, Miss Shirley.

Now we move to the final aspect of our Honorary Golden Knight Exhibit. We removed the Golden Knight exhibit, as we do every April to update the names of Golden Knights. But this year we also removed the Homer Saunders portrait, until this year our only Honorary Golden Knight, because his portrait was in dire need of conservation. We are consulting with several experts to determine the best means of portrait conservation.

Once the Saunders portrait conservation is complete, we will frame it to match the Shirley Norris portrait frame and return both the Honorary Golden Knight portraits as well as the Golden Knight exhibit to an appropriate place of honor in the Clubhouse.

General John D. Altenburg, Jr.
Library Trust Chairman



Homer Saunders in front of the Club's General Eisenhower oil painting.



Miss Shirley with Club President, COL Marc Warren



Miss Shirley with artist Barrie Barnett



THE DISPATCH

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Washington, DC 20006-2503



SOLD OUT

MILITARY HERITAGE MESS NIGHT

OPERATION HUSKY

SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2023

The Army and Navy Club will carry on the Military Mess tradition at the upcoming Military Heritage Mess Night commemorating Operation Husky: The Invasion of Sicily (July – August 1943). To join the waitlist for this sold-out event, contact Kiara Cyprianos at (202) 355-0525.

GUESTS OF HONOR



DR. RICHARD W. STEWART



LTG JOSEPH ANDERSON