



USNA Maryland Parents Club



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HAPPY NEW YEAR

President's Message



Nancy Davis
President

Happy New Year!

I hope you and your family had an enjoyable holiday season, with many beautiful memories. I am excited about what 2022 will bring for our MD Parents Club!

As of January 15, we are proud to have **113** paid members of our MD PC. And, thanks to your generosity, we have raised over **\$1475** in donations. Thank you so much!!

We ask for your help in naming our newsletter. Send your ideas to our newsletter committee at usnamdpcnewsletter@gmail.com by **February 10**. Winner gets eternal bragging rights!

If you see me at a USNA event or in the greater Annapolis area, please speak up and introduce yourself. I always welcome the opportunity to meet our MD PC members.

Stay warm and stay safe!
Nancy



USNA MD Parents Club Officers

- President:** Nancy Davis ('25 Parent)
- Vice President:** Kristina Harwood ('23 Parent)
- Secretary:** Cassandra Shieh ('23 Parent)
- Treasurer:** Ellen Sun ('25 Parent)

Stay Connected With Us!

- Facebook: [USNA Parents Club of Maryland](#)
- Website: <http://maryland.usnaparents.net>

Member Spotlight



**John Single
Robin Single
Co-Chairs, Midshipmen Express**

We salute John and Robin Single for their time and extraordinary work co-chairing our first *Midshipmen Express*. The project, inspired by the MD PC volunteer spirit, launched in December 2021 to transport Midshipmen from the Yard to BWI Airport for flights during Winter Break. The **23** volunteer drivers, comprised of parents, sponsors, and friends of USNA, made multiple round trips while transporting over **240** Midshipmen December 17 – 22. Families from around the world gave an outpouring of well wishes and gratitude as their Midshipmen safely made their way home. This inaugural event will return next season with the hopes of future growth and support of the young men and women at USNA.

John and Robin reside in Millersville, Maryland with their three children. Their daughter, Emma, is part of the USNA Class of '25. John is a Senior Program Manager with SAIC, and Robin is a Client Services Manager with Cornerstone Advisory.

Meet Our Membership Committee

**Brandy Hoot
Chair, Membership
Committee**



Brandy Hoot is excited about serving on the Membership Committee. Brandy and her husband, Todd (Class of '94), moved back to Annapolis 15 years ago. Brandy and Todd have four children. Their oldest, Alexander, is a Plebe in 16th Company. Brandy grew up in a Navy family and is delighted to have come full circle, now the parent of one of the many midshipmen. In her free time, Brandy serves as a substitute teacher, volunteers around town, and is often with their fabulous Dalmatian, Whiskey.



**Jacquie Forbes
Co-Chair,
Membership
Committee**

Jacquie Forbes currently serves as Co-Chair of the Membership committee. She is a seasoned healthcare executive with more than 20 years serving communities in regulatory affairs, community health, primary care, environmental safety, and emergency management. Jacquie loves applying her relationship building skills to improve programs and networks. Jacquie is the wife of Ransford, proud mom of USNA '23 BioChem mid (Jasmine Forbes) and two older sons, and grandmother to two grandchildren.

Meet Our Newsletter Committee



Toks Fashola
Newsletter
Editor

Toks Fashola serves as newsletter editor.

Residing in Halethorpe, MD, Toks, affectionately known as Dr. Toks to her friends, is a research professor with American University. Toks is often on the Yard serving as a volunteer photographer and videographer for track and field. She has been affiliated with the Naval Academy since 1998 and has been a sponsor mom since 2016.

Darlene Scheiderich
Newsletter Co-Editor



Darlene serves as newsletter co-editor. She resides in Davidsonville with her husband, Bill, who retired as a Commander with the U.S. Navy in 2014. Darlene became a “solo sponsor parent” when she and Bill married in 2013 and Bill was deployed to Djibouti. Darlene hails from Columbus, Georgia and currently serves as Chief Compliance Officer for Medvantx, a mail order pharmacy company.

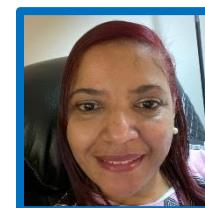


Derrick Cogburn
Newsletter
Committee

Derrick oversees the distribution of our newsletter

using Mailchimp – coming soon to your email inbox in February! Derrick, along with his wife and son, are a sponsor family, and reside in Annapolis. Dr. Cogburn is a Professor of International Communication, Development, IT and Analytics at American University. Derrick’s hobbies include alpine skiing, underwater diving, golfing, and sailing as Captain of the *Transcend*, a private sailing vessel that is docked in Annapolis.

Veranna Phillips
Newsletter
Committee



Veranna is a Special Ed teacher and Social Studies teacher with the Anne Arundel County School System. She is a proud Class of 2025 Football Mom.

Our Newsletter Committee

Editor: Toks Fashola
Co-Editor: Darlene Scheiderich
Committee Members:
Derrick Cogburn Veranna Phillips

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Parents: If your Midshipman is involved in USNA activities or receives accolades, please send us their info and/or photos. We would LOVE to do a shout out in our Newsletter. Send your info to usnamdpcnewsletter@gmail.com.

Upcoming Events

- **January 19, 7:00 PM**
Men's Basketball vs Lehigh
- **January 21, 3:30 PM**
Men's Squash vs Bowdoin
- **January 21, 7:00 PM**
*Distinguished Artist Series Concert,
Mahan Hall*
- **January 22, 11:00 AM**
Women's Basketball vs Army
- **January 22, 1:30 PM**
Men's Basketball vs Army
- **January 26, 7:00 PM**
Women's Basketball vs Bucknell
- **January 28, 4:00 PM**
Women's Swimming & Diving vs Richmond
- **January 28, 7:00 PM**
*Midshipmen Classical Instrumental Recital
Main Chapel*
- **January 29, Noon**
Men's & Women's Swimming & Diving
- **January 29, 2:00 PM**
Navy Invitational
Men's Basketball vs American
- **February 4, 7:00 PM**
*USNA Black History Month Concert
Mahan Hall*

Want to Lend a Hand?

- We need 2 or 3 people who would like to help with the planning of the Class of '26 Welcome Aboard Picnic. Please email Kristina @KristinaKHarwood@gmail.com.
- We are looking for several people to help with the planning of the Annual Ball. Please text Nancy Davis @ 985-381-8897.
- Anyone interested in working on our I-Day event (depending on what I-Day looks like this year), please get in touch with Kristina or Nancy.

SAVE THE DATE:

- ❖ **February 19, 2022**
Commissioning 101
(Look for more info to come through the Alumni Association)
- ❖ **February 24, 2022, 7 PM**
Full Membership Meeting (Virtual)
- ❖ **June 12, 2022**
Class of '26 Welcome Aboard Picnic
Sandy Point State Park

MD PC T-Shirts

Be on the lookout for information about ordering our MD PC t-shirt!



Shout Outs!



- ❖ Midshipmen Express Volunteers
 - Nushi Carrera
 - Elizabeth Cassidy
 - Ginger Davis
 - Nancy Davis
 - Lauri Dennis
 - Matthew & Nancy Deprey
 - Missy Donaghy
 - Toks Fashola
 - Jennifer Feeley
 - Tony Hall
 - Heather Hook
 - Kathleen Ketz
 - Jeffrey & Jennifer Macris
 - Kami Mech
 - Cassandra Shieh
 - John & Robin Single
 - Barbara Streyle
 - Mei Tang
 - Tania Tolker
 - Jennifer Wick
- ❖ Thank you, Michael Ngo, for taking care of our mids!
- ❖ Navy Women's Rugby Team: CRAA (*College Rugby Association of America*) D2 National Championship!
- ❖ Navy Army Hockey Game: 7 – 3 Victory, December 10!

- ❖ **Midshipman 3rd Class Abigail Ward** (Pasadena, MD) for being 1 of 5 Midshipmen awarded a Stamps Scholarship. Ward is a computer science major and a Chinese minor at the Naval Academy. Originally born in Guangzhou, China, Ward is interested in building a greater political and cultural understanding of Southeast Asia, particularly as it relates to cyber security and natural language processing. She intends to use the Stamps Scholarship to build her cross-cultural competency and be an asset to the U.S. government as it focuses on the Indo-Pacific region and its challenges.

About the Stamps Scholarship:

In 2006, Penny and Roe Stamps created merit scholarship programs for undergraduates at their alma maters – the University of Michigan and Georgia Tech. Since then, the Stamps Scholars community has grown into a national network of visionary colleges and universities who partner with the Stamps Scholars Program to award multi-year scholarships that help driven and talented student leaders achieve their education and life goals. The program has grown to 37 colleges and universities with 2,389 current and alumni Stamps Scholars.

MOMENTS TO REMEMBER



MD PC Provides Snacks to 13th Company Ball Run

Nancy Davis, MD PC President (pictured 3rd from left), and *Toks Fashola*, Newsletter Editor (pictured far right), present snacks to 13th Company in preparation for their 40th Navy Army Ball Run. The 2021 game ball was run from Annapolis to East Rutherford, NJ.



MD PC Presents Flowers to Mrs. Lori Jablonski

As part of the Ball Run Ceremony on December 9, 2021, Joseph and Lori Jablonski, the parents of Jason Jablonski ('17), received his posthumous degree from Superintendent Vice Adm. Sean Buck. Jason passed away from complications of leukemia in November 2016.

MD PC presented Mrs. Lori Jablonski with orange roses in memory of Jason. Orange was Jason's favorite color.



USNA Sailing Team Receives Recognition

The USNA Sailing Team had an *excellent* season and was featured on the field just before halftime at the last home football game – against East Carolina University on November 20.

Izzy Fadullon, a Plebe and Annapolis native, is pictured third from left in this shot of the team appearing on the Jumbotron. Izzy sailed at Annapolis High School where she was elected team captain her senior year and sailed both as a skipper and crew.