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CHAIR'S LETTER TO THE MEMBERSHIP

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Greetings Tidewater Members and Friends,

Fall may just be approaching but our ASNE Tidewater Section Year is in full swing!

We kick off the year with our Charity Golf Tournament at Cypress Point Country Club in Virginia Beach on Monday 19 September -- with proceeds to support our Scholarship Program. Be sure to check out the FMMS Social ([Page 6](#)) on Monday night --- what better way to reconnect and expand your network before the Symposium kick-off on Tuesday morning.

I hope to see you all at FMMS 2022 on Tuesday and Wednesday at the Virginia Beach Convention Center. Our Program Committee has outdone themselves with an exciting line-up of speakers and panelists that are sure to get you excited about the future of our ship maintenance programs. Additionally, we have hundreds of exhibitors filling the convention hall. It is not too late to sign up – so come on out!

In case you missed the email announcement, our first Dinner/Meeting speaker, **Rear Admiral Christopher M. Engdahl**, Commander, Naval Safety Command is confirmed for Oct 19. We are excited to have ADM Engdahl kick off our program year with his insight into how we are doing in keeping our ships and sailors safe and mission ready.

Last year many of you responded to a survey on how we were doing in meeting your expectations. It was clear that networking opportunities were high on the list. With FMMS kicking off our year, and a robust dinner program in place, we are looking to add a less formal opportunity to meet and expand your networks. We have started planning for our first “After Work Networking Social” to be held in late Fall. Looking for a couple of volunteers to help with the planning.

Be sure to check out the newsletter and our [website](#) for future events and get involved!

Come join a committee. All our teams are welcoming new members! There is no better way to meet and work with members of our expanded maintenance community than by becoming more active in the Section. Whether you have a couple hours a week, a month or even occasionally throughout the year, reach out to our committee chairs and get involved. You won't regret it!

Hope to see you all at FMMS 2022!

Renée Reedy
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ASNE TW OCTOBER DINNER/ MEETING PROGRAM

The ASNE Tidewater Section will hold the first dinner/meeting program of the year on October 19, 2022. The program will be an in-person event (no virtual component).

Our guest speaker is **Rear Admiral Christopher M. Engdahl**, Commander, Naval Safety Command. We look forward to seeing you!

Place: Holiday Inn Virginia Beach-Norfolk at 5655 Greenwich Road, Virginia Beach

Time: 5:30-6:00pm Cocktails and Networking; 6:00-8:00pm Dinner and Program

- Cost:
- Members: \$33 in advance / \$35 at the door
 - Non-members: \$38 in advance / \$40 at the door
 - Military: \$20 in advance / \$25 at the door
 - Students: \$10 in advance / \$15 at the door

Please register on our [website](#) by **noon Monday Oct 17**.

Rear Adm. Christopher Engdahl is a native of South Bend, Indiana and the son of a Navy chaplain. He is a 1990 graduate of the United States Naval Academy where he earned a Bachelor of Science in History. He completed Naval Nuclear Power training and earned a Master of Science in National Strategic Studies from the Naval War College.

His initial sea tour was as damage control assistant onboard USS California (CGN 36). Subsequent sea tours include duties as nuclear quality assurance officer and reactor training assistant on USS Nimitz (CVN 68), operations officer on USS Fletcher (DD 992), executive officer onboard USS Rentz (FFG 46), commanding officer on USS Elrod (FFG 55), Commander, Destroyer Squadron Nine, and Commander, Expeditionary Strike Group 7. During these tours, he deployed numerous times, participated in countless exercises and had the greatest fortune to lead Sailors and Marines at sea.

Ashore he served as department head instructor, steam engineering directorate at the Surface Warfare School Command, Newport, Rhode Island and as a strategic planner for the War on Terrorism Directorate on the Joint Staff (J5). He also served as director for Surface Nuclear Programs at Navy Personnel Command Millington, Tennessee, executive assistant to the Deputy Chief of Naval Personnel, chief of staff to Commander, Naval Surface Forces Pacific and president, Board of Inspection and Survey.

In July 2022, he assumed his current position as the 58th Commander of Naval Safety Command.

His personal awards include the Legion of Merit (five awards), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (two awards) and various unit and campaign awards.





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FMMS 2022 Is HERE!

Fleet Maintenance & Modernization Symposium Virginia Beach Convention Center | Virginia Beach, VA | September 19-21, 2022

The Fleet Maintenance & Modernization Symposium (FMMS) at the Virginia Beach Convention Center (VBCC) occurs this week and you are cordially invited to attend!

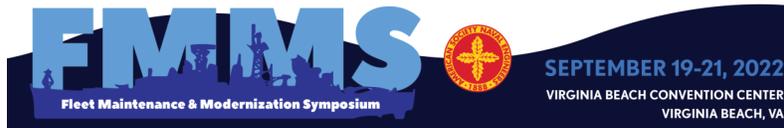
Hear from confirmed keynote speakers: **VADM James Kilby**, Deputy Commander., US Fleet Forces Command, **VADM William J. Galinis**, USN; NAVSEA, and **Ms. Erica Plath**, SES, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Sustainment.

Engage with speakers, panel members and insightful technical paper authors from Government, Industry, and academia.

Stop by the Innovation Theater and participate in the discussion. Business Development and Networking opportunities abound in the Exhibit Hall. Put your organization in front of decision makers. Visit our [website](#) for more information on all things FMMS.

ASNE is honored to host partner events with the U.S. Navy and Military Sealift Command (MSC) Port Engineers, the Naval Shipbuilding Research Program (NSRP), Department of Defense Corrosion Control Community of Practice, and the Industry ~ Navy Discussion Panel (INDP): Small Business Roundtable! Hope to see you and your colleagues at our professional symposium at the Virginia Beach Convention Center, 19 - 21 Sep 2022!

It is a long-standing tradition to create a new coin as a give-away to speakers and volunteers for FMMS and other events. Below is a photo of the last 3 coins our Section created, plus a preview of this year's 2022 coin on the far right. The new coin features USS Wisconsin and our beautiful Hampton Roads mermaid guiding the Battleship home.





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ASNE FMMS 2022 Golf Tournament!

Hosted by the Tidewater Section
Benefits ASNE Scholarship Fund*



Join us at Cypress Point Country Club in Virginia Beach. Cypress Point is nestled in a quiet, out of the way golf-club community adjoining Lake Lawson and Lake Smith. CYPT features an 18-hole championship golf course designed by Thomas Clark.

Cypress Point Country Club



Monday, September 19, 2022
Cypress Point Country Club
5340 Club Head Road, Virginia Beach
Registration: 10:00 - 11:45am
Box Lunch: 11:00am
Shotgun Start: 12:00pm
Florida Best Ball Format

Sponsorships Available

Team or individual registration available [here](#)

Tournament Sponsor (4 Available)	\$ 2,500 each
Award Ceremony & Buffet Sponsor (2 Available) ..	\$ 1,600 each
Beverage Cart Sponsor (2 Available)	\$ 1,250 each
Lunch Sponsor (1)	\$ 1,500 each
Starter Bar Sponsor (1)	\$ 500 each
Longest Yard Sponsor (1)	\$ 500 each
Closest to the Pin Sponsor (1)	\$ 500 each
Golf Cart Sponsor (Multiple Available)	\$ 200 each
Hole Sponsor (Multiple Available)	\$ 200 each
Hospitality Tents at Holes (18)	\$ 500 each
Four-Person Team (36 Available)	\$ 600 each
Individual Player	\$ 150 each

Registration for tournament or hole sponsorship available [here](#)

Support the ASNE Scholarship Fund by bringing plenty of cash for Mulligans, a cash prize drawing and raffle prizes! (Donations for prizes accepted)

All payments must be made in advance on the ASNE Tidewater Section [Website](#).

Contact LaRue Maupin at ldickinson@aerotek.com or (757) 969-0770 for more information.

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FMMS 2022 SOCIAL EVENT

WELCOME TO FMMS SOCIAL EVENT

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ASNE-SIKA ULTIMATE BUILD-A-BOAT CHALLENGE 2022 HIGHLIGHTS

In case you missed the highlights in our August issue, here is a recap...

The ASNE-Sika Ultimate Build-A-Boat Challenge showcased June 11-12, 2022 at Harborfest as we celebrated the 26th Anniversary of this great event!

Due to the stormy weather Sunday afternoon, the Build-A-Boat race took place Saturday June 18, 2022 at the home of **Charlie and Chris Ellin** in Sandbridge (Back Bay area). There were 17 teams who built boats and 13 of them were able to rearrange their schedule to race on the 18th. Everyone had a blast!

Pictured below are a few photos from the build day and race day. On our ASNE TW [website](#) there is also video footage of the race day and a presentation with many more photos of the entire event.

Special thanks to **Mike D'Amato** (ASNE TW), **John Mark Bessada** (Sika Corp), and all the many volunteers who made this event possible! Congratulations to all the participants and the winners:

1st Place	#17 Liberty	Eric Speth & Todd Egnor , Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation
2nd Place	#19 Speedy V	Tom Blanton , GD-NASSCO, & Rudy Liverpool , USS IWO JIMA, and Charlie Ellin , OJT Mentor
3rd Place	#14 USS Roach	AOAN Contreras & AD3 Tesch , USS IWO JIMA
Best Design	#5 Odin's Buoy	Paulo Medeiros , Jefferson Labs & Nathan Miller , Portsmouth Naval Hospital
Fastest Built	#6 Second Chance	Phillip Thompson & Connor Dunn , Hampton High School



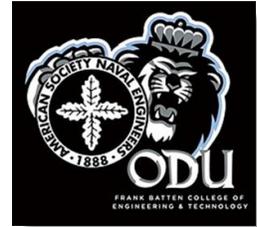


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ASNE TW ODU STUDENT CHAPTER

ASNE Tidewater has a very active **ODU Student Chapter** and they are gearing up for another year of exciting events. They had their first meeting of the year on September 8th and had six returning students and one new member.

The Chapter participated in a Student Organization Fair that takes place in the first weeks of the academic semester. **Daniel Erdogan**, the Chapter's President, said they had over 20 students show interest in the Chapter. Daniel followed up with each student and expects a good turnout at their next Chapter meeting.



One of the events the Chapter is looking forward to is ASNE's Promoting Electric Propulsion (PEP) competition. In May of this year, the Chapter achieved 2nd place at the competition and they are hoping to do even better in 2023. Their first PEP meeting occurs this month and they will be working on a solid game plan for PEP 2023, which will occur in conjunction with ASNE's Multi-Agency Craft Conference (MACC).

For more information about the ODU Chapter, please contact ODU Student Chapter President, Daniel Erdogan at derdo001@odu.edu.



Left: The ASNE ODU Chapter receives assistance from ODU's mechanical engineering students, known as the ODU Formula SAE Baja team (part of ODU motorsports), to pull the PEP boat across campus to the Org Fair.



Right: The ODU Chapter sets up for the Org Fair.

Below: The first ODU Chapter meeting of the semester (minus 3 members).





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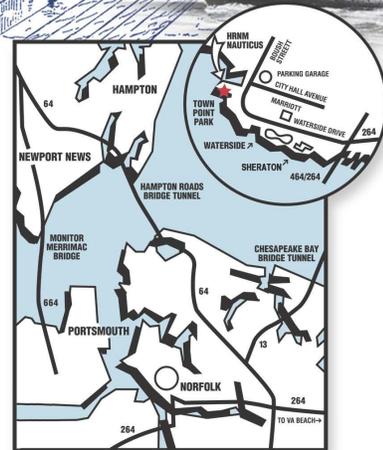
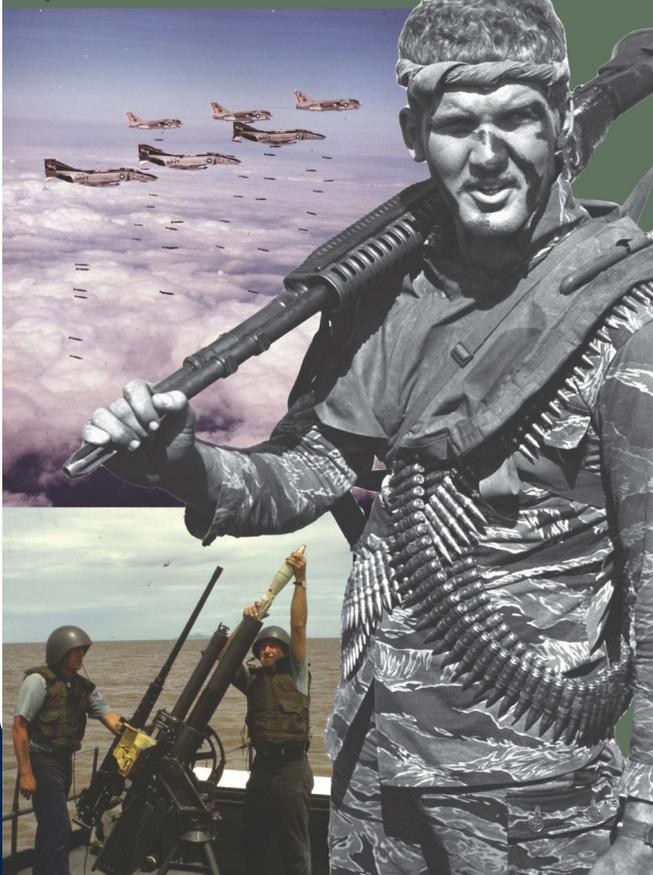
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HAMPTON ROADS NAVAL MUSEUM



THE TEN THOUSAND-DAY WAR AT SEA

THE U.S. NAVY IN VIETNAM, 1950-1975



The Hampton Roads Naval Museum, an official museum of the U.S. Navy, introduces you to over two centuries of naval activity in and around the great harbor of Hampton Roads, Virginia. The museum is located in Nauticus on the downtown Norfolk waterfront. Visitors should follow road signs to Nauticus. The museum is **FREE** of charge and handicap accessible. Public parking garages are nearby.



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HONORING MR. JOSEPH YURSO

ASNE Tidewater Section awards four scholarships annually via the ASNE National Scholarship Program. These four Tidewater Section scholarships are named after Section honored members. One of the four scholarships is named for longtime member **Captain USN (Ret.) Joseph F. Yurso**.

Joe Yurso has been an ASNE member for 58 years! He served as the ASNE National President from 1997 to 1999. He was the ASNE Tidewater Section Chairman from 1990 to 1991. Joe was voted onto the Tidewater Section ASNE Honor Roll in 1998. He was awarded both the prestigious Frank G. Law and Harold E. Saunders ASNE National Awards. Joe served as a Member of the National Council and as a Section and National ASNE Advisor for decades!

During Joe's 30-year naval career, he became known as a "Troubleshooter." Consistently assigned to Commands to unravel Surface Ship, Submarine and Hull Class wide complex engineering issues. Joe's nomination for the ASNE Harold E. Saunders Award documented his numerous engineering and leadership achievements during his long and distinguished naval career, while assigned to the Navy's Shipyards and SUPSHIP Commands. To say it is an impressive list of accomplishments is to understate the obvious.

For those ASNE members who attend and participate in any of ASNE's symposiums, dinner/meeting programs and other ASNE-sponsored events, Joe is always regarded as an ASNE leader who has the credibility to ask presenters and keynote speakers "the hard questions." When speakers open the floor for questions and the audience hesitates to respond, all-knowing eyes look to see where Joe is sitting, because the audience knows Joe will have an insightful question to pose to the speaker. This distinctive characteristic of Joe's engagement during ASNE events is a testimony to his credibility as a Naval Engineer of note, and a recognized industry-wide leader.

Another outstanding quality that Joe consistently shared over the years with his ASNE colleagues is his deep sense of religious spirit. For many years Joe gave the blessing prior to Section dinners. His prayers give thanks to the creator and all those individuals and values the society serves to represent and support.

Joe spent years advocating for a memorial for the lost crew of the USS THRESHER along with many others passionate about the cause. At Arlington National Cemetery, 56 years after the tragedy, a memorial was finally erected that reads, "in honor of the 129 men lost aboard USS THRESHER (SSN-593) and their SUBSAFE legacy," and Joe was there to witness it.

Joe Yurso served on numerous community, industry, religious and civic committees and boards in the region. Joe is always willing to listen and support his friends, colleagues and the American Society of Naval Engineers. Joe Yurso is a sterling example of the great people who have been active serving their country, their community and professional societies. ASNE TW is proud to honor Joe and thank him for his 58 years of membership and service to ASNE and our Section.

Joe retired from his career at QED in August 2022 after 36 years of service. That's 66 years of service in this industry!

Congratulations Joe on your amazing journey and thank you for touching many, many lives along the way.

