

## **US Navy Public Affairs Association Reunion 2023**

**September 8 – 9, 2023**

*(Schedule as of January 23, 2023)*

*Don't miss this opportunity to reconnect with old friends and meet new USNPAA members at Reunion 2023 in Arlington, VA, on September 8 – 9, 2023. It will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn Arlington/Shirlington, the same hotel where we held Reunion 2019.*

**Hilton Garden Inn Arlington/Shirlington  
4271 Campbell Ave, Arlington, VA 22206**



Located about 10 minutes from Washington, DC's Reagan National Airport, the hotel is in the lively "Shirlington Village" where you will find a wide selection of restaurants and bars as well as retail stores, a theater, and a grocery store.

On Saturday morning, September 9, we will meet at the hotel for a Business Meeting including an association update, a Treasurer's report, Membership report, three top-notch guest speakers and other official business.

A Buffet Lunch in the hotel restaurant is included with your registration. You will have free time Saturday afternoon to explore Washington or just spend time connecting with old friends in our Hospitality Room. On Saturday evening we will conclude our reunion with hors d'oeuvres and drinks at a Farewell Reception in the hotel.

There is a parking garage one block from the hotel. Reunion attendees (who are not staying in the hotel) can park there for free to attend the Business Meeting and Farewell Reception. Overnight parking for hotel guests is available at \$18 per night in the same parking garage. An added benefit for people staying in the hotel is that the hotel shuttle will take a limited number of hotel guests to and from the Army Navy Country Club dinner on Friday night on a first come, first served basis.

We have a room block with a reduced rate on September 7, 8, 9 and 10. The rates are \$159 (plus tax) for a King bed and \$179 (plus tax) for two Queen beds. The Group Name is "U.S. Navy Public Affairs Association Reunion," and the Group Code is "NAV." To get this special rate, hotel reservations must be made no later than August 8, 2023. Reservations made after August 8 will be made at the prevailing daily rate based on availability. You can make your hotel reservation by calling 1-877-STAYHGI, going to the [hotel's website](#), or using this [booking link](#).

**Welcome Reception and Dinner**  
**Army Navy Country Club (ANCC), 1700 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, VA 22202**



The reunion will kick-off Friday evening, September 8, with a Welcome Reception and Dinner at the elegant Army Navy Country Club (ANCC) in Arlington, a 10-minute drive from the hotel. Special thanks to USNPAA member Chris Dour for sponsoring our group at ANCC.

Enjoy hors d'oeuvres and drinks at a reception on the Rooftop Terrace with its spectacular view of the Washington Monument followed by a three-course seated dinner in the Five Star Ballroom. The reception will begin at 1800 and the dinner will start at 1915.

As part of the dinner program, three awards will be presented, including:

- The USNPAA Annual Award for Exemplary Service
- The CAPT Thomas Coldwell Award for Significant Achievement
- The USNPAA Distinguished Service Award

Our distinguished Keynote Speaker for the dinner will be former CHINFO, RADM John Kirby, USN (Ret.) who has had an impressive career in the Navy and the government. Now serving as National Security Council (NSC) Coordinator for Strategic Communications, RADM Kirby will no doubt give us his unique insight into communications in the NSC and White House.

Complimentary valet and self-parking will be available at ANCC.

**Reunion Registration Now Open**

**Good News!** Our USNPAA Board of Directors approved subsidizing the cost of this reunion which will allow us to offer a Full Registration fee of only \$10 more than we had in 2019 despite increased costs. Reunion registration forms and checks must be received no later than August 17, 2023. No refunds will be given after August 17 as we must meet hotel and ANCC guarantee deadlines. There will not be on-sight registration.

The Best Value for your money is "Full Registration" for just \$245 per attendee which includes all the events, meetings, and the Hospitality Room. If you or your guest prefer to attend select events only, the Friday Welcome Reception and Dinner will be \$130 per person, the Saturday Meeting and Lunch Package will be \$85 per person, and the Saturday Farewell Reception will be \$70 per person.

The attached registration form provides details on registration fees and how to submit your registration form and check as well as information about making your hotel reservation. The reunion registration does not include hotel reservations. You must book your hotel reservations directly with the Hilton Garden Inn Arlington/Shirlington.

Once you arrive at the reunion, you may pick up your registration package at the following times and locations:

1300 – 1600	Fri, Sep 8	Hilton Garden Inn, Arlington/Shirlington lobby
1800 – 1830	Fri, Sep 8	Army Navy Country Club (ANCC) third floor lobby
0800 – 0930	Sat, Sep 9	Hilton Garden Inn, Arlington/Shirlington lobby

**Hospitality Room:** Your registration includes the Hospitality Room so stop by the hotel’s Environment Room to meet up with friends. It will be available for mingling at the times noted in the below schedule. Food and beverages will be available in the Hospitality Room as noted.

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**  
**Friday, September 8, 2023**

1400 – 1700    **Hospitality Room**  
Join us in the hotel’s Environment Room for light snacks and a cash bar.

1800 – 2230    **Welcome Reception and Dinner** at the Army Navy Country Club (ANCC)  
1700 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, VA 22202. *Business attire.*

**Saturday, September 9, 2023**  
**Hilton Garden Inn Arlington/Shirlington**

*The dress for all Saturday activities will be Business Casual.*

**Business Meeting in Hotel’s Environment Room**

0900            Welcome and USNPAA Update by USNPAA President, RDML Tom Jurkowsky, USN (Ret.)  
Membership Report and Treasurer’s Report

0930            Remarks by guest speakers including:

- RDML Ryan Perry, USN, Navy Chief of Information (CHINFO)
- Col. Dan Merry, USAF (Ret.), Vice President for Government Relations, Military Officers Association of American (MOAA)
- Unclassified briefing by OPNAV N2/N6 staff on the geo-political threats our Navy is facing around the world.

1100            Business Meeting and Open Discussion

1200            Business Meeting concludes

1200 – 1400    **Buffet Lunch**  
Reunion registration is required to attend the lunch in the hotel’s restaurant.

1300 – 1400    **USNPAA Board Meeting** (board members only)

1400 – 1600    **Hospitality Room**  
The hotel’s Environment Room is open for mingling. No food or beverages will be provided.

1700 – 1900    **Farewell Reception**  
Gather with friends in the hotel bar and the Environment Room to enjoy hors d’oeuvres and drinks. 1900: Dinner on your own. The hotel bar will be open until 2000.