

## *From the Chapter Pres: Christine Hoaglund's personal notes from VADM Carter's 2016 ICOF brief.*

### **HONOR Concept Review:**

-In order to develop honorable persons of character for the future, and persons of consequence, the honor concept at USNA has gone under a review in the past year.

-The last major review of the Honor Concept was in 1994, after 200 midshipmen were implicated and approximately 100 left USNA from the "EE scandal." This is the review that brought in ADM Larson.

-The Supe decided that a review was good to do now, because it's a time of "non-scandal," and he wanted to make sure that USNA had a Honor concept that would 1) educate, 2) inspire, 3) have influence on the way midshipmen think, and 4) influence the way midshipmen act.

-He formed a committee to review the current concept, and that committee worked all last summer to review it.

-After that committee reviewed the current concept, the Supe then had another set of eyes look at it, and this group of persons included LTG Mike Flynn ('75), Distinguished Graduate, VADM Sagerholm (Ret, '52), and others. They provided more feedback. Then, the revised version went to the Brigade.

-The new Honor concept is in the "implementation phase," and involves some changes:

1. It's decentralized, down to the Company Commanders
2. Greater education of the concept, particularly at the staff/professor level, and more importantly, at the team sports level
3. Greater clarification at how informal counseling is conducted
4. Remediation now in a "formal" format

-Changes to the new concept are not so much in writing, but in processes

-Numbers now reflect that midshipmen "get it"

-Supe states that the Honor concept is now just as relevant, but will have an impact on them for the rest of their lives.

### **Cyber Security Building & Cyber Initiatives Review:**

-This past 31 March, the contract was closed on the new Cyber building, and will be built by Turner Construction. The Supe stated that the parking structure is scheduled to be finished before he "puts a shovel in the ground for the Cyber building," and that the two are "nose to tail." The parking structure should be finished by this upcoming October, and the Cyber building should start 02Oct16. It is scheduled to take (2) years to complete.

-The building will not cause a loss of the USNA sightline; it is the same height as Michelson & Chauvenet. It is scheduled to be FOC by Fall of 2019, and has a budget of \$106M (under the budget of \$110M).

-The Class of 2016 has the first grads with Cyber Security major, and they received a personal audience with POTUS.

### **Internal Education**

-The number of 2016 scholars (such as Truman Scholars, etc) is "eye-wateringly good"

-After this summer, 12 countries will have exchange programs with USNA

-International Programs is a resurrected USNA program

### **NAVY Sports**

-33 Varsity programs

-The Director of Athletics, Chet Gladchuck, has been nominated for Athletic Director of the Year by the Sports Business Journal. The other three finalists include Oklahoma's Joe Castiglione, Stanford's Bernard Muir and Ohio State's Gene Smith. (postscript: he didn't win)

-USNA is the only service academy that operates its Athletics in the black

-Patriot League champions 3 of the last 4 years

-The revised policy regarding grads going into professional teams was published 2 weeks prior to ICOF. It allows two models:

- The first one is referred to as the "Dave Robinson" model. It allows play the sport for 2 years, then serve in the reserves for 3 years.

- The second choice is to request a waiver of full commitment and play sport while in the reserves. This is the one Keenan Reynolds & Chris Swain have elected to submit.

- "They want to serve."

### **Questions for the Supe**

- I was the first one to stand up. Once again, I extended an open invitation to New Mexico, saying we have a wonderful Chapter that would welcome the Supe at any time. Secondly, a joke about a possible Honor Violation: I was a mid during the last Honor Concept revision, and all mids were supposed to take the metal HC placard [big, noisy, metal] off the back of the door and turn it in. My roommate & I kept ours...? The Supe answered that we were past the statute of limitations, so we were fine. The room laughed. Lastly, I asked if the Supe would convey a message to MIDNs Reynolds & Swain: they would still serve the Navy if they chose the professional sports path. They are models, and should not refuse a God-given talent...He thanked me for my comment.

- Will Navy rebrand like the Army West Point? No, we will not. Apparently, the Army is responding to the Navy win record, and USNA's contract with UnderArmor.

### **Ideas**

- Chapter visit to grads at nursing homes, in hospice
- Reaching out for local corporate entities to sign up for SACC
- Speakers for Chapter from AA
- There is a USAA credit card that supports USNA AA & athletic association
- Also, USAA has a personal property policy specifically for mids

### **MISC.**

- the Annual count of each Chapter will be soon, whereas we usually submit the EOY numbers by 30 April, this is the tri-annual, and so will ask for the EOY numbers by Jan 17

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