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FROM THE PRESIDENT

USS Arleigh Burke Association Members, Family and Friends,

I hope this Newsletter finds all of you doing well, and with great plans for the upcoming Summer!

Recent Association Board of Directors Actions:

1) Approval to commence collection of "Oral Histories" from those involved with the design, construction, commissioning, shake down and Operational Evaluation of the Admiral's Destroyer. We want to get the stories - capture all of the good/important ones! Note: If you have something to contribute in this realm, please write it down and send it to Kenyon Hiser, our Acting Secretary. The Board believes it is important to get down in writing as much as we can before memories fade any more than they may have already.

2) Approval to support Service Selection Night at the Naval Academy with one or more Association Members to welcome new Academy Midshipmen who selected USS Arleigh Burke for their first Division Officer tour of duty.

USS Arleigh Burke Update:

I am very pleased to report that USS Arleigh Burke has been the "go to" De-

stroyer on her current Forward Deployed Naval Force – East (FDNF-E) Patrol #3. The ship has operated from the high north in the North Sea, to the Red Sea and Indi-

an Ocean, as well as throughout the Mediterranean. Please take a look at the pics in the Secretary's Note below, as well as on our Association Website. Included are a number of recent photos of the ship and crew! CDR Pete Flynn, Arleigh Burke's Commanding Officer, and the entire Arleigh Burke Crew are doing an outstanding job. The Admiral's Destroyer at almost 32 is continuing to perform exceptionally well, answering all bells for our Navy Commanders.

The Admiral's Destroyer is slated to change Command this Summer when CDR Flynn is relieved by CDR Ty Bowman, the ship's current Executive Officer, who is "fleeing up" to CO. The anticipated Change of Command date is 25 August. At this juncture, CDR Flynn's next orders take him to the Naval Academy as the Director of the Seamanship & Navigation Department. He expects to report in the September timeframe. CDR Ethan Reber is the incoming Executive Officer who will be relieving CDR Ty Bowman shortly.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

2023 Dues: Ongoing
Please pay directly to the Treasurer, Rob Jobrack, or online

Annual Membership Meeting: 1930-2015
Thursday 27 October 2023
- the 4th Thursday of October



CO – CDR Pete Flynn



PCO – CDR Ty Bowman

2023-2024 USS Arleigh Burke Anchor Scholarship Awardee.

Again, I am very proud to announce that Anna Moninger has been selected by the Anchor Scholarship

Foundation to receive this year's USS Arleigh Burke Association Anchor Scholarship. It is her second award - this time for Academic Year 2023-2024! This Fall, Anna will be a rising Senior at James Madison University. She is majoring in Chemistry, a member of the Alpha Omega Epsilon Sorority which is a professional and social organization for women in STEM, and has an impressive academic record. Anna's Professor of Chemistry, Dr.

Barbara Reisner, commented: "Anna is a strong student who takes a mastery approach to learning. She took advantage of every learning opportunity associated with the class. She asked questions, and was highly engaged in team-based activities in class. She was - and continues to be - an excellent communicator."

In Anna's words, what the USS Arleigh Burke Association Anchor Scholarship means to her: "The Arleigh Burke Association Scholarship (and Anchor Scholarships in general) have had a tremendous impact on my college education. As a result of this generous award, I will be able to finish my degree in Chemistry this year and start using my degree. I am very proud of my father's Naval Service and his time onboard the Arleigh Burke (I remember going to the ship as a young girl!), and I am so appreciative of this Scholarship's recognition of military families."

Anna is the daughter of Rear Admiral Tom Moninger, USS Arleigh Burke's 15th Commanding Officer from April 2012 to November 2014. He is currently on the Chief of Naval Operations Staff serving as the N5 Director of Plans, Policy and Integration. The USS Arleigh Burke Association is honored to support Anna for the 2023-2024 Academic Year and we look forward to her updates in future editions of *The Destroyerman*.

CAPT Charles Stuppard, USN (Ret.), USS Arleigh Burke's 9th Commanding Office, represented the USS Arleigh Burke Association in person at the 07 June 2023 Anchor Scholarship Awards Ceremony in Norfolk, Virginia.

Most importantly, thanks to all of our Association Members, Family and Friends who contributed to this year's USS Arleigh Burke Association Anchor Scholarship and made our Seventh Award reality.

National Museum of the Surface Navy (NMSN) Update:

Things continue to move forward rapidly at the NMSN, on plan to open Phase I on October 13th 2025 - the Navy's 250th Birthday. Development has moved from the Concept Phase completed at the end of last year by Mr. Bran Ferren, Co-Founder and Chief Creative Officer at Applied Minds, a renowned Command Center, Auditorium and Museum Designer, to the Experience Definition Phase, undertaken by Chip Russell and Company. Chip Russell was a former leader of the Disney Imagineers. It will be followed later this summer by the Detailed Architectural Design.

Association member and noted Naval historian, David Rosenberg, will be working with the NMSN Experience Design Team to develop the initial Admiral Arleigh Burke "Experience", which will be part of the NMSN on opening in October 2025. As highlighted in the last issue of *The Destroyerman*, and as part of Bran Ferren's Concept, the Admiral is prominently displayed in the Museum "Entry Tunnel". I continue to work directly with Rear Admiral Mike Shatynski, NMSN Chairman of the Board, and Mr. Jonathan Williams, NMSN President and CEO, on Defense Industry Fundraising - our commitment per the MOU between the NMSN and the Admiral Arleigh Burke Foundation. And, per our ongoing working relationship with the Museum, VADM (Ret) John Morgan sits on the NMSN Board of Directors. Note: If you have not yet joined the NMSN please do so - it is FREE. Everyone that joins between now and the Official Ribbon Cutting in 2025 is a NMSN Plankowner, and you will contribute directly to building momentum for our Surface Warrior Museum!! You can connect to the NMSN Website through our USS Arleigh Burke Association Website under the Association Tab and then under the Related Links Tab.

In addition, the Second NMSN Maritime Leadership Symposium (MLS) was just held 24 and 25 May at a combination of both the Port of Los Angeles Waterfront and the downtown Los Angeles Jonathan Club. This year's very timely topics included both Navy Recruiting and Retention, and Defense Support of Civil Authorities. It brought together national leadership to

discuss these critical factors impacting our Navy today.

The Third Annual Freedom of the Seas Gala and NMSN Awards Presentation is scheduled for Saturday 21 October aboard the Battleship Iowa, Artifact #1 of the NMSN. The Admiral Arleigh Burke Foundation is again leading the effort to recruit Defense Industry Sponsors for this NMSN annual Capstone Event. If you have any questions regarding the NMSN please give me a shout.

As I close, thanks to our Officers and the several other key individuals who commit their time to support and run our Association, and who join and contribute to our Monthly Board of Director's Meetings! They contribute a lot and make a critical difference. Thanks to Kenyon Hiser for his effort as Acting Secretary, and as USS Arleigh Burke Association Website Webmaster. Our Website is packed with current, relevant information on the Association's and USS Arleigh Burke's activities. Thanks to Ron Struewing, our Newsletter Editor, for his effort in putting together this edition of *The Destroyerman*. It is world class. Thanks to all those who provide inputs to the *The Destroyerman* - your contribution makes a BIG difference. Special thanks to Dave Rosenberg for his excellent Article in this issue on Admiral Arleigh Burke's Meeting with President Dwight Eisenhower in 1955. Again, thanks also to all who contributed in 2022 to the USS Arleigh Burke Association Anchor Scholarship for the 2023-2024 Academic Year enabling award of our seventh Scholarship to Anna Moninger as mentioned earlier.

Please reach out to me, Rob, or Kenyon if you have any questions or recommendations.

Thanks, and be safe this Summer! Rick



Click the QR code to see many more pictures from the 30th/31st Reunion weekend.

TREASURER'S REPORT BY ROB JOBRACK

Ready for summer? Taking care of your health? Don't forget to protect yourself and wear a hat. And what better hat could you wear than an official USS Arleigh Burke 31st Anniversary hat.

These hats are available in coyote brown and have the DESRON 23 Little Beaver on one side and our anniversary slogan "Fast and Feared for Over 30 Years" on the other. On the back above the arch "Built to Fight is embroidered. Prices: Crew ballcaps: \$20; O5/06/Flag ballcaps: \$25. This includes shipping costs.



Feeling retro and want a blue ball cap? We still have 25th anniversary ball caps for sale at the same price.

Need a T-shirt for the beach? You can get a (vintage?) 25th anniversary T-shirt for only \$5.

Thanks to all of you who contributed to our Anchor Scholarship. This year we were able to increase the amount of the scholarship award to \$3000 thanks to your generosity.

Our membership categories and dues for 2023:

- USS ARLEIGH BURKE (DDG 51) Ship's Company: Free
- Member: \$20
- Sustaining Member: \$125 (10 year sustaining equals Lifetime)
- Lifetime Member: \$1000

The USS Arleigh Burke Association is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a tax-exempt non-profit organization under section 501(c)(19) of the internal revenue code.

Payments and donations to the association can be made in two ways:

Using PayPal via the association website, USSArleigh-BurkeAssociation.org

Send a check made out to USS Arleigh Burke Association to:

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Entry Pavilion Atrium/Ship Bow Donor Wall Artist Concept

WHEN REAR ADMIRAL ARLEIGH BURKE MET THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, 17 MAY 1955

BY CAPT DAVID A. ROSENBERG, USN (RET.)

In January 1955, Admiral Robert Carney, the fourteenth Chief of Naval Operations, ordered Rear Admiral Arleigh Burke, then commanding Cruiser Division Six, recently returned from a Mediterranean deployment, to command of the Atlantic Fleet Destroyer Force, headquartered on a destroyer tender in Newport, Rhode Island. For the 53-year-old Burke, this was the ideal sea command, returning him to the ships he led in numerous actions and famous battles in the South Pacific in 1943-44. He hoped he could stay there for a good while but immediately began to put into effect reforms to improve both the combat readiness of "DESLANT" and the life of the command's Sailors and their families. Admiral Carney expected to leave Burke as COMDESLANT for a year and then promote him to vice admiral and send him to command the Sixth Fleet to get him ready for four-star duties.

Burke's advancement came a good deal sooner than "Mick" Carney expected. Secretary of the Navy Charles Thomas decided not to reappoint Carney to a second two-year term as CNO. He wanted as his replacement a vigorous, younger officer with a strong technical background and outstanding leadership skills to reenergize what he saw as a demoralized navy. When senior flag officers were polled as to what admirals they felt were best qualified to be CNO, Burke's name turned up on every list. On 10 May 1955, during a short trip to Washington, Thomas offered the CNO position to Rear Admiral Burke. Burke was startled and somewhat dismayed by the offer. There were 92 active duty flag officers senior to him on the Navy Register, more than 80 of whom were potential candidates for the post, and he thought his sudden rise might create bad feeling. In addition, he was not sure if he was suited to the job. He warned Thomas that he had a bad habit of speaking his mind, as during the "Admiral's Revolt" period in 1949, which might land him in trouble, but which he would not give up. Finally, he felt he could not accept the post without Carney's full support. When Burke told Carney later that day, Carney had doubts about the wisdom of such an accelerated promotion, but none about Burke's abilities, and offered his warm endorsement. Having passed muster with Secretary Thomas, Joint Chiefs Chairman Admiral Arthur Radford, and Secretary of Defense Charles Wilson, the next step was for Burke to be interviewed by President Dwight Eisenhower.

This meeting occurred one week later on 17 May 1955.

Admiral Burke kept a detailed record of these meetings in a long memo for the record in a black note book entitled "Notes Upon Being Selected CNO" in a folder Biographical Data and Notes upon Selection to CNO, now in the Arleigh Burke papers, Operational; Archives, Naval History and Heritage Command. The following paragraphs are Burke's record of the meeting. The previous paragraphs (numbers 1-91) cover his 10 May trip and his brief time in the Pentagon on 17 May prior to leaving for the White House with Secretaries Thomas and Wilson.

92. When we got to the West Entrance to the White House we walked through a series of narrow passageways and arrived at the President's Waiting Room. There we met Mr. Seaton, a couple of secretaries and a couple of other people whose names I have forgotten. In about one minute we were ushered in to see the President. After shaking hands, the President asked me to sit down, and Mr. Wilson stated that I was the man that they were nominating for the Chief of Naval Operations. Mr. Thomas then explained why I had been selected, that I was young enough, that I was popular with the service, that I was a good leader and above all I had good judgment and would do the very best I could for the Navy under all circumstances; in other words that I would be reliable. I don't know exactly what he meant by that. Then he went on to explain my war record and came back several times to the fact that he had surveyed the Navy along with many other people and that they had been unable to find anybody else as suitable as I was. He then asked me how old I was and I told him nearly fifty-four. He said that he understood I was born in October 1901, and I said yes.

93. The President then stated to Mr. Wilson and Mr. Thomas that it was a good thing now and then to go down and select somebody young just as a matter of routine. This sometimes broke up the habit of people believing that when they reached a certain seniority they would automatically become CNO. He said that selection by seniority up to a certain stage was very good; beyond that stage they had to be careful that they picked the right man. He then stated that when they selected downward and other people were bypassed in the process, everybody must know that it is a heartbreaking process. It is inevitable that everybody, or nearly everybody senior,

must feel a great disappointment and wonder why the mantle was not dropped on their shoulders or why they had not been touched by the golden wand. It would be most important that those senior people be spared all possible distress and they should realize that what was happening was for the good of the organization. This statement pleased me very much for it expressed my own thoughts. Mr. Thomas then stated that one of the greatest recommendations that he could give me was that when he talked with Admiral Carney this morning Admiral Carney stated that if they had to pick anybody around fifty-four or fifty-five years I certainly was the best choice. He said that that should make me feel good, and of course it did.

94. Then Mr. President stated that [there] were two things that he required in a Chief of Staff, two things very essential in all important people in the Government. He wanted to tell me those things himself so that there would be no misunderstanding, even though it might not be necessary, since he had been informed that I apparently abided by those rules already. The first one of them was that the Government had to be a team. There were great issues frequently before the Government, and diversion of opinion in the press or outside the family circle frequently causes harm to the United States, more harm than the individual could possibly realize at the time, and certainly always some harm. He stated that he expected differences of opinion within his family. That he would expect me to give the Navy views on matters with which I was concerned and that he would expect me to fight for those views with everything I had at my disposal. He stated that, however, after I had done my very best, if a decision was made contrary to my view, he then expected and would require that the decision be supported. He stated that this was an old military law, that all military men abided by it, and that he would insist upon it. He stated that this was always done within the Government until about 1946 when the unification fight brought out the worst in military people. Military people then thought they had to go to the public press and that there were many things said and done which did harm to the country. He stated that this still continues. People still seemed to find ways to reach the public (either they find opportunities or opportunities find them or something) to state their views even after a decision has been reached. He stated that this was bad and of course should not occur. Then he went back to state again, that he wanted teamwork, he wanted differences of opinion, wanted them laid out and fought for; but once a decision is made he expected that decision to be supported.

95. He next stated that the most important part of the job of a Chief of Staff of a service is his responsibilities in the Joint Chiefs of Staff, in the development of military policy

and the guidance of military operations which come from the Joint Chiefs of Staff as a corporate body. He stated that this was of primary importance, that service matters had to be of secondary importance. He stated that the Number Two, the Vice Chief, should do most of the work in regard to the service and that about all that I would find I was capable of doing was to lay down general policies, and to choose the people for high positions who would support those policies. He stated again that my service responsibilities, while great (I could not divest myself of those responsibilities) were responsibilities which could be delegated, while those responsibilities which I would enjoy in the Joint Chiefs of Staff were responsibilities I could not delegate. These were the responsibilities which would require my judgment, my thoughts, and my feelings – that I could not delegate the responsibility for giving these thoughts and this judgment to anybody else. He stated that in the running of a service much responsibility could be delegated to the proper subordinates. It was up to me to work out a system in order to allocate my time so as to give the most of my time and keep my primary interest on my work in the Joint Chiefs of Staff. I told him that I understood.

96. During the entire conversation with the President, I said probably not more than a half dozen words. I felt like a bump on a log and couldn't think of anything proper or brilliant to say. I just sat there feeling very humble and hoped to hell I could do the job the Navy required of me and which apparently the President expected of me. I hoped there would not be so many conflicts that they could not be resolved or that they would not be of a nature which could not be resolved.

97. After the President gave his views, he stated again that it was good to get young people in position to do things. He stated that it was necessary continually to have a group in training, and that that group in training be the most brilliant and best qualified officers in the Department regardless of their relative standing, providing that that relative standing was not too far upset. He cited the case of a Colonel which he had in his outer office. He stated that the Colonel right now was ready for general officer, but he shouldn't be promoted to general officer because it would put him so far out of line with his contemporaries that he would not be able to fulfill his functions as a general officer even though physically and mentally he was completely qualified. He stated that here was a question, partially, of service acceptance.

98. Mr. Thomas then stated that he was sure that I would be accepted by the service more readily than any other candidate that he could think of. He stated that they had gone through the list many times, they had checked with very many people, and that I had the greatest service reputation, that the

service believed in me more than in any other individual. The President then stated that of course he shouldn't talk about young commanders because that when he was appointed to command the armies in Europe he was fifty-one years old. He stated that while he was going across there were a lot of newspaper articles about his youth, about the young commander who was being appointed to such an important position, that it was good that a young commander had been put in this important position because it showed that the Army was getting out of its "old man lethargy" and was reaching down for men who could do something. When General Eisenhower was informed of this, he stated that it was all right except that the premise was wrong. He then explained that he was one of the oldest generals that ever commanded a United States Army. He said that Lee was forty, Grant was forty-two, Sheridan was 31, and so forth – he went down a list of generals and their ages, all of whom were much younger than was he. He stated therefore he was an old man when he actually took command.

99. Mr. Wilson then stated that if a man doesn't have maturity, the balance and the judgment by the time he is fifty, he will never get it. He stated that he felt that anybody over fifty could fill any job if they were ever to be qualified. To that apparently the President agreed, also.

100. Mr. Wilson then cited the case of when he became

President of General Motors at fifty. He stated that the biggest department at that time was the Chevrolet Department and that there was a man in that department who was [several] years older and his senior in the organization. He was not appointed but thereafter served loyally on the General Motors Board and supported Mr. Wilson in his policies. Mr. Wilson stated that he expected the same thing in my case.

101. The President then stated that he had seen Cato Glover the last few weeks and that Cato looked very good. He then asked who was in command of the Atlantic Fleet; I told him Admiral Wright. This surprised me.

102. After a little more discussion by Mr. Thomas on my qualifications for the job, the President said, "Well, it suits me." Whereupon he drew forward in his chair, Mr. Thomas and I excused ourselves, and Mr. Wilson stayed to go over some papers.

103. On the way back in Mr. Thomas' car, Mr. Thomas told me that that apparently was the last informal hurdle, and that the next thing would be formal approval and submission to Congress.

Confirmed by the United States Senate, Admiral Arleigh Burke took office as the fifteenth Chief of Naval Operations at the U.S. Naval Academy on 17 August 1955.

FROM THE SECRETARY BY KENYON HISER

Are you looking for a new challenge? Your association is looking for new talent to continue the achievements to date, and to build on them. There are multiple opportunities to assist. Mark Fortune served for 10+

years as secretary, and we are looking for his replacement. We have new ideas to engage the community and capture the legacy of this ship and Admiral, but don't have the bandwidth to execute the ideas.

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

Association members, I am trying to keep the "Where are they now?" articles going. If you would like to submit a short article letting everyone know what you have been up to since you left the ship, please contact me and provide a short article for publication in a future issue. This is not just for Plankowners. I will be glad to send you some examples of articles other association members submitted. Please email me at:

NewsLetter@arleighburkeassociation.org

You might notice that this newsletter is coming from a different e-mail address: admin@ddg51assn.org. This is because we now have one paid email address that we will be using for outbound emails, including the newsletter. Please save this new address as a trusted address so any received emails will not go to your spam folder.

USS ARLEIGH BURKE ASSOCIATION ANCHOR SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEE 2023-2024



***Anna
Moninger***



Fairfax, VA

**Previous Recipient
2020/2021/2022**

Scholarship: \$3,000 Arleigh Burke Association
Scholarship
sponsored by Arleigh Burke Association

College: James Madison University

Major: Chemistry

2023-2024: Senior

Academic and Extracurricular Highlights:

- 3.11 College GPA
- Undergraduate research with Dr. Barbara Reisner
- Student Affiliates of the American Chemical Society (SAACS) Member

Quotes:

"The applicant is a strong student who takes a mastery approach to learning. She took advantage of every learning opportunity associated with the class. She asked questions and was highly engaged in team-based activities in class. She was - and continues to be - an excellent communicator." **Dr. Barbara Reisner** - Professor of Chemistry

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ONLINE MEDIA BY KENYON HISER

Arleigh Burke around the internet

February – Arleigh Burke Commences Third FDNF-E Patrol on Feb 2

<https://wp.me/PdmbEN-1su>

February - CAPT Robinson takes command of USS Normandy (CG 60)



Capt Errol Robinson assumed command of USS Normandy (CG 60). He had previously served as CO and XO on USS Arleigh Burke.

<https://wp.me/pdmbEN-1sX>

Another add to the growing [list](#) of Arleigh Burke shipmates that subsequently held command positions. Are we missing anyone on the list? Let us know.

March – Arleigh Burke service life extended to 40 years.



Departing Faslane Sep 2022

OPNAV N96 recently approved a five-year service life extension for USS Arleigh Burke (DDG 51).

First-in-class Arleigh Burke's estimated service life was 35 years, expected to expire in FY 2026, but efforts began early last year to request additional service time for the ship. The approval extension carries the ship out through FY 2031 now, when the ship will be 40 years old.

According to Rear Adm. Brendan McLane, commander, Naval Surface Force Atlantic, the extension is a testament to the success of the DDG 51 program as a whole and is an example of the Navy's enduring relationship with industry partners.

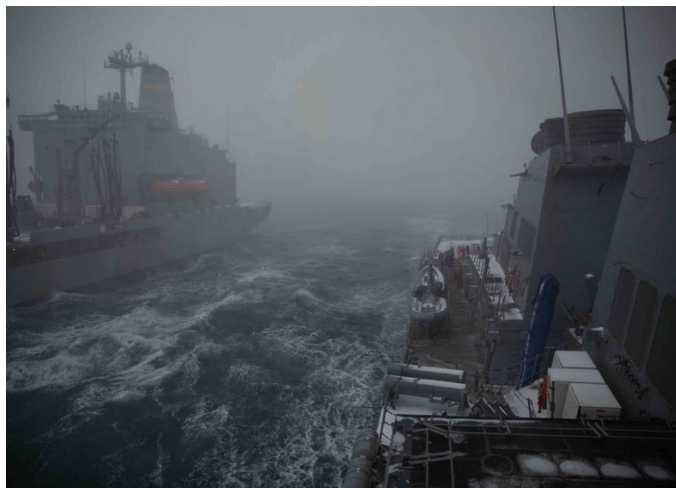
"DDG 51's are the best warships in history. They demonstrate that there are no limits to what we can accomplish with a strong American Navy-industrial partnership"

"Arleigh Burke-class destroyers are the backbone of the Navy's surface fleet and critical to the Nation and the Navy today and long into the future."

Rear Adm. Brendan McLane, commander, Naval Surface Force Atlantic

<https://wp.me/pdmbEN-1tv>

March – Arleigh Burke Operates in North Sea



Unrep and flight ops while shoveling snow!

May – 73rd ship in class is commissioned - Lenah Sutcliffe Higbee (DDG 123)



May – Arleigh Burke Transits Suez Canal



Stay up to date with the ship on the Association Web Site – ArleighBurkeAssociation.org. Follow us on Facebook, LinkedIn, Instagram, and Twitter.

There are holes in our history of the ship. We are looking for cruise books to scan and return, sea stories of broad interest, operational history, contact info for shipmates, and post-DDG51 crew success stories. Contact admin@ArleighBurkeAssociation.org

ADDITIONAL PHOTOS



Rick Easton with CAPT Errol Robinson, former CO Arleigh Burke after taking command of USS Normandy 28 February 2023



CDR Ethan Reber - prospective XO Arleigh Burke
summer 2023



CAPT (Ret.) Bob Oldani - new NMSN Ambassador for
the Norfolk/Tidewater area



Official Reception
May 2023 Limassol
Cyprus L to R
Harri Mäki-Reinikka,
Ambassador, Finland
CDR Flynn
Min of Defense,
Michalis Giorgallas
General D Zervakis
Julie Fisher, US Am-
bassador to Cyprus

2023 BOD Meeting Dates

Feb 16 Mar 16 Apr 20 May 18 Jun 15 Jul 20 Aug 17 SEP 15 OCT 20
Annual meeting OCT 27 Nov 17 DEC 15

Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88446377823?pwd=dG9GZm5OdXF4WGdoVE0weGVlbEJOZz09>

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The purpose of the USS Arleigh Burke Association is to represent the professional values of all those who have served onboard USS ARLEIGH BURKE (DDG 51) or have an ongoing interest in promoting the ship and crew, the Arleigh Burke Class of Aegis Guided Missile Destroyers, as well as the United States Navy. Toward that end, this Association serves as the professional association for all ARLEIGH BURKE crewmembers and their supporters, past, present and future.

