Greetings from the ASNE Flagship Newsletter!

Fellow Flagship Members, we had an excellent Fall technical program this year. Congressman Rob Wittman spoke in September on DoD Acquisitions, New Technologies, and the need for a 355-ship Navy. In November, ASNE Flagship organized a tour of the USCGC (shown below) currently in dry dock at the Coast Guard Yard near Baltimore, MD. Following the tour, Mr. Bob Bernstein presented on the four-year life extension project of the Eagle which will undergo a replacement of the auxiliary propulsion system as part of its repowering overhaul this winter. Both attendance and audience participation at the Eagle Event were top notch. Flagship Council looks forward to providing our members continued technical events in 2018!

Question: What is the origin of the phrase “three square meals a day”?
Answer: Today synonymous with food that is hearty or filling, “square meal” gets its name from the Royal Navy practice prior to the 19th century of serving food to sailors on wooden, square plates.

"The goal is not to sail the boat, but rather to help the boat sail herself." - John Rousmaniere

History Lesson: December 15th
In 1965, launch of Gemini 6 with CAPT Walter M. Schirra, Jr., USN, as Command Pilot occurs. The mission included 16 orbits in 25 hours and 51 minutes. Recovery was performed by HS-11 helicopters from the USS Wasp.*

Winter Upcoming Events and Reminders!

January 9th–11th Surface Navy Association Symposium VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
Location: Hyatt Regency Crystal City

January 24th RADM Michael Haycock on Heavy Polar Icebreaker Program Update
Registration Deadline: January 22nd; US citizens only due to venue
Location: BAE Systems, Maritime Plaza II, Washington DC; 1130-1300

February 15th Mr. Sean Kery on El Faro Accident Investigation
Location: BAE Systems, Maritime Plaza II, Washington DC; 1130-1300
Information: 1 Hour PE Credit; US citizens only event due to venue

March 6th CAPT Crone from PMS443
Topic: Surface Ship Readiness & Sustainment Programs

March 27th–29th Advanced Machinery Technology Symposium; Philadelphia, PA
Early Bird Registration Deadline: March 13, 2018

June 18th–20th Technology, Systems, and Ships (TSS) 2018; Washington, D.C.
Abstract Deadline: February 2, 2018