Greetings from ASNE Flagship: Your 2017 Section of the Year!

Fellow ASNE Flagship Members, this Fall and Winter have been a very busy time for us! Since our last newsletter, we have had a handful of technical programs including CAPT David Bauer from DASN RDT&E in November, Mr. Matt Sermon from PMS 397 in December, and Mr. Howard Berkof from PMS 406 in January. Flagship was also able to support several local workshops and symposia including the ASNE Design Science Series in November, ASNE’s Combat Systems Symposium in December, and the Surface Navy Association Symposium in January. Our council has stayed active with member nominations for 2018 DCCEAS Engineer of the Year and ASNE internal awards to recognize the hard work that all of our outstanding members have accomplished. And, in a few weeks, we will be submitting our ballot for consideration for 2018 section of the year! Fingers crossed and thank you all for your dedication to ASNE!

Past ASNE Flagship Chair, Samantha Hertel, manning the ASNE Flagship booth earlier this month at the Surface Navy Association Symposium. A Flagship booth at events like SNA gives attendees a chance to renew their membership and pick up event fliers!

Bravo Zulu!

Congratulations to the 2018 ASNE Award winners from Flagship Section!

**CAPT Mark R. Vandroff, USN – Gold Medal**

Mr. Robert G. Keane, Jr. – Law Award

Dr. Alexander W. Gray – Rosenblatt Award

Dr. Jeffrey E. Beach – Saunders Award

ASNE National HQ recently approved an increase in undergraduate scholarship awards to $4000 and additionally, extend the eligibility of these scholarship awards to junior level students! These expanded ASNE scholarship program benefits are effective immediately for engineering students applying for the 2019-20 Academic Year. Click [here](http://www.navalengineers.org/sections/flagship) for the application!

A Fond Farewell!

We would like to wish Dr. Leigh McCue, our past Executive Director and Flagship member, a successful transition to her new engineering position and our deepest thanks for all she has done for ASNE HQ and the sections over the past three years. We would also like to give a big “thank you” to Flagship’s own CAPT Ike Iacovetta, USN (Ret) for acting as interim Executive Director during the replacement search. A committee of many dedicated ASNE members, led by CAPT Rick Hepburn, USN (Ret), spent much of the Holiday season sourcing and interviewing potential candidates. We expect a new Executive Director to be named soon!

History Lesson

**January 30th 1862:** the first U.S. Navy ironclad warship, USS Monitor, is launched. Commissioned a month later, she soon engages in battle against CSS Virginia, the first battle between ironclad warships.

*www.history.navy.mil*

Spring Upcoming Events and Reminders

21 FEB: **CAPT Casey Moton** – PMS 400D DDG 51 FLT III Design; Maritime Plaza

20 MAR: CAPT Keith Lenhardt - NAVSEA 00C Diving and Salvage; Maritime Plaza

30 APR: Virginia Tech/USNA Student Papers Night; Maritime Plaza, Washington DC

17 JUN: Flagship Annual Golf Tournament; Andrews AFB

18-20 JUN: **TSS 2019**; Washington, DC; Early Bird Registration Ends May, 20th, 2019!