

## U.S. Merchant Marine Academy Alumni Association and Foundation, Inc.

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## Dear Kings Point Parent:

On behalf of all alumni and the USMMA Alumni Association and Foundation (AAF), I want to congratulate you on your child becoming a member of the United States Merchant Marine Academy's Class of 2029! You must be so proud to know that your child was accepted at one of the premier institutions in the country. They now start a very exciting journey that will take place over the next few years. The AAF will be an integral part of this journey.

I want to personally welcome you and your family to our Kings Point family. The AAF has been raising money and providing support for the Academy and the Regiment of Midshipmen for over 81 years. Our financial support has totaled millions of dollars over the years, supporting academics, athletics, the waterfront, Regimental Band, Midshipman clubs, and other extracurricular activities, just to name a few. Our alumni network is second to none and our mentorship, internship placement, and career guidance will be a very important part of your Midshipman's career at the Academy and will continue long after graduation.

The AAF sponsors many events for the Midshipmen and will ensure that your child is provided with the "margin of excellence" that is going to allow them to have the best possible experience from indoctrination through graduation.

The AAF staff, the AAF Board of Directors, and our network of alumni chapters will be with you to share the highs and lows, but we will always be there to assist you in any way required. That is what family is supposed to do. Welcome! Good Luck!

Acta Non Verba!

Capt. James F. Tobin '77

President/CEO

P.S. Please join us for a welcome breakfast, co-sponsored by the Alumni Association and Foundation (AAF) and the National Parents Association (NPA), on Thursday, July 3, in the Marvin Place Parking Lot. Additionally, the AAF is pleased to sponsor a lunch (free of charge) on Tomb Field following the morning's activities. There will be giveaways for each family. You must be in attendance to receive them.