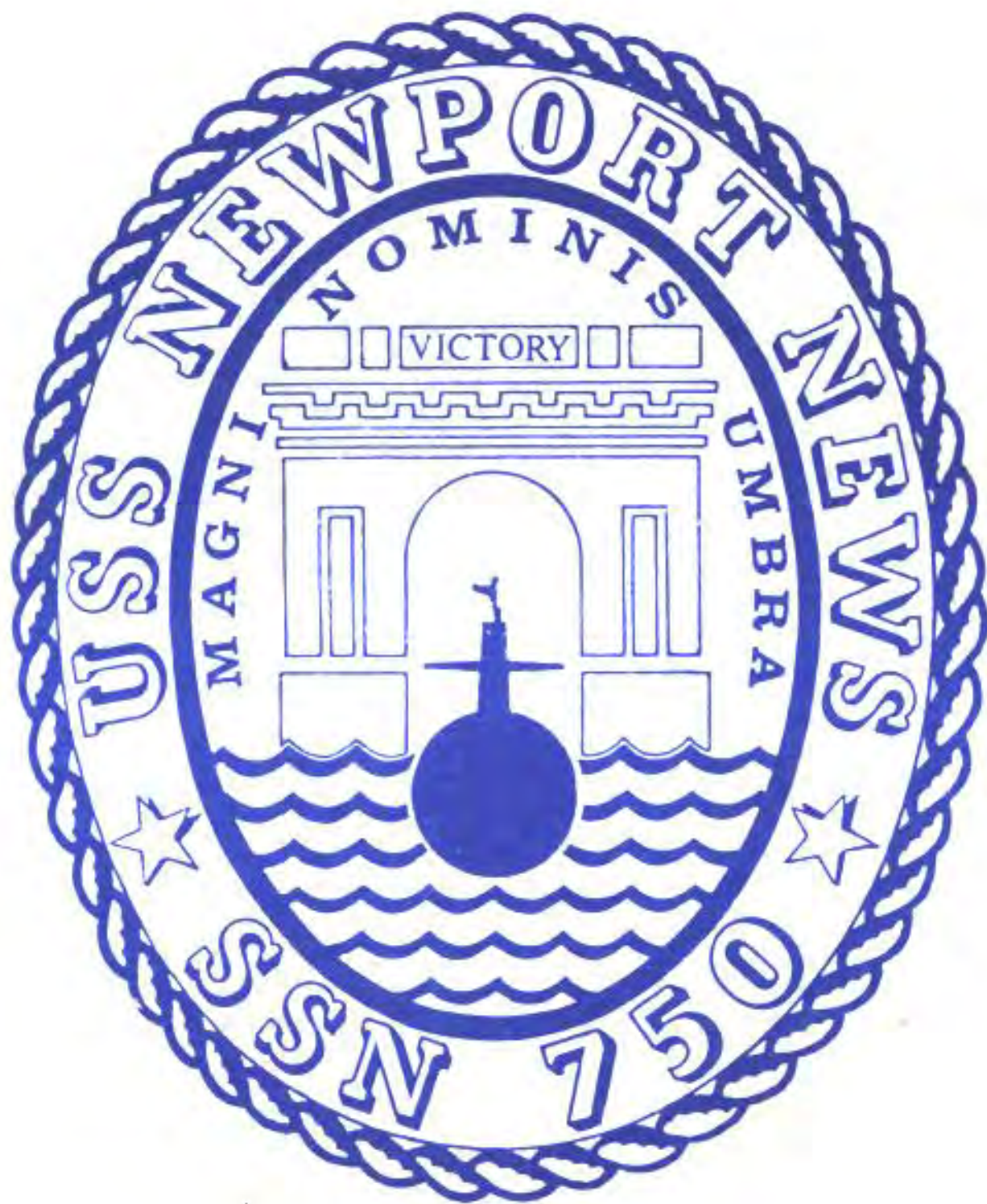
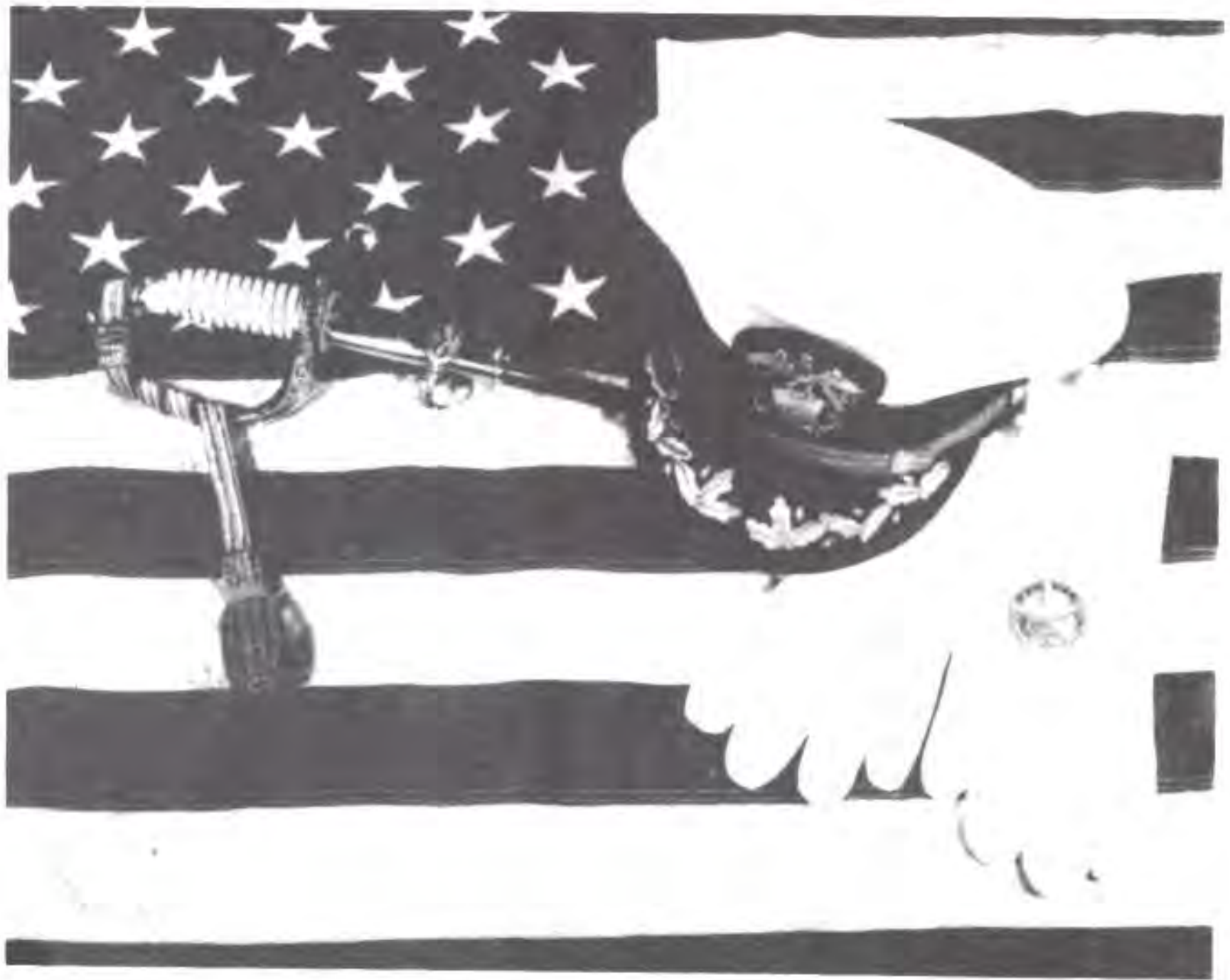


**USS NEWPORT NEWS
(SSN 750)**

CHANGE OF COMMAND



**Saturday, February 15, 1992
U.S. Naval Station
Norfolk, Virginia**



CHANGE OF COMMAND TRADITION

The Change of Command Ceremony is a time-honored tradition which formally restates to the people of the command the continuity of command authority. The Change of Command for a Naval Unit is almost unique in the world. It is a transfer, in an instant, of the total responsibility, accountability and authority.

The strength of today's Navy stems in large measure from the observance of such customs and traditions, each founded on need, each contributing to stability, combat effectiveness, and smooth transfer of authority. The Change of Command you witness today is the rich heritage of Naval tradition. This simple ceremony passing authority and responsibility from one officer to another reflects the dedication of free men serving their nation proudly.

CHANGE OF COMMAND

COMMANDER MARC D. GOLDBERG
United States Navy



being relieved by
COMMANDER MICHAEL C. TRACY
United States Navy

HISTORY OF THE USS NEWPORT NEWS

The submarine NEWPORT NEWS (SSN 750) is the eighth vessel to bear the name of the Virginia shipbuilding city. Three previous ships, including the heavy cruiser NEWPORT NEWS, have seen Naval service. Two of the ships, however, were brought into the military for only short periods of time to provide transportation for troops and carry supplies overseas. The remaining four ships plied commercial waters, carrying either passengers or freight.

A bay steamer named NEWPORT NEWS was built at Newport News Shipbuilding in 1895. The 274 foot vessel served as passenger transport for the Norfolk and Washington Steamboat Company. The smallest boat to bear the city's name was a wooden-hull freight barge built at Staten Island in 1899. The barge which had a crew remained in service until 1941. A collier built in 1903 and originally named the Odenwald became a prize of war during World War I and was assigned to the U.S. Shipping Board in 1917. It served with the U.S. Navy's Overseas Transport Service until 1924 when it was retired.

Another ship called SS NEWPORT NEWS was built by the Furness Withy Line in West Hartlepool, England in 1907. This ship was changed to Belgian registry during World War I and was sunk by a German submarine in 1916. An iron side-wheeled steamer ferry boat originally called the Kingston was bought by the Chesapeake Ferry Company in 1917 and renamed NEWPORT NEWS. It was brought to Norfolk where it became the fastest boat servicing Hampton Roads. The vessel burned and sank at a pier in 1924. A second ferry boat to bear the city's name was initially called the Philadelphia when it was built in 1926 in Delaware. In 1938 the vessel was purchased by the Riverside and Fort Lee Ferry Co. and renamed the Thomas N. Carter. The Chesapeake Ferry Co. bought the ship in 1943 and renamed it NEWPORT NEWS. The ferry boat operated between Sewells Point in Norfolk and the Small Boat Harbor in Newport News. The Chesapeake company was dissolved in June 1948, but the ferry was operated by the Virginia Highway Department during the last two years of its service. The SS City of NEWPORT NEWS was a steel passenger steamship originally named Archer, which made trans-Atlantic runs. It was purchased by the Navy in 1940 and rebuilt as an attack transport named the USS FULLER. The steamship was resold for civilian trade in 1946.

The cruiser NEWPORT NEWS was built at Newport News Shipbuilding in 1949 and was retired in 1975 following service in Korea and three combat tours in Vietnam. The cruiser is berthed among the Navy's idle fleet of ships in Philadelphia.

The submarine NEWPORT NEWS was commissioned in June 1989. She was built with the latest sound quieting features and is one of a handful of submarines that carry 12 Tomahawk cruise missiles in vertical tubes in the bow. Following Shakedown operations, a Post-Shakedown Availability, and a full range of weapon systems certifications, NEWPORT NEWS entered the fleet fully ready for every operational assignment. In January 1991, NEWPORT NEWS conducted an emergent wartime deployment to the Mediterranean Sea providing strike warfare and intelligence support during Operation DESERT STORM. Following DESERT STORM, the ship remained deployed as a member of the U.S. Sixth Fleet peacekeeping force while participating in several U.S. operations and NATO exercises and conducted several VIP tours. NEWPORT NEWS was awarded the Southwest Asia Service Medal with one bronze star for her involvement in DESERT STORM.



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Rear Admiral Howard W. Habermeyer, Jr., Commander Submarine Group TWO, was born on May 24, 1942 in Aurora, Illinois. He entered the Naval Academy in July 1960 and after graduation in 1964, attended Navy Nuclear Power Training and Submarine School.

In 1966, he was assigned to the nuclear powered attack submarine, USS PERMIT (SSN 594), homeported in San Diego, California. While serving in PERMIT, he earned the gold dolphins designating his qualification in submarines.

He returned to the Naval Academy in 1966 to be the 34th Company Officer on the Staff of the Commandant of Midshipmen. Upon completion of his tour, he reported in 1970 to the fleet ballistic submarine, USS TECUMSEH (SSBN 628), as Engineer Officer. During his tour he completed five strategic deterrent patrols.

In 1974, Rear Admiral Habermeyer joined the staff of Commander Submarine Squadron FOUR in Charleston, South Carolina serving as Squadron Material Officer until 1976. He then reported to the attack submarine, USS SEAHORSE (SSN 669), as Executive Officer.

RADM Habermeyer next took command of the attack submarine USS PUFFER (SSN 652) homeported in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, in February 1980. During his tour, PUFFER made three deployments to the Western Pacific and Indian Oceans. The submarine won two Navy Unit Commendations and two consecutive Battle Efficiency "E" Awards.

Leaving PUFFER in June 1983, he served three months as Prospective Commanding Officer Instructor on the staff of Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet. Then he was assigned to Washington, D.C. as the Program Coordinator for the development of the Navy's new design fast attack submarine, SEAWOLF (SSN 21) Class, working in the Office of the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Submarine Warfare. In 1984, he was assigned as Executive Assistant to the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Submarine Warfare (OP-02).

In May 1985, Rear Admiral Habermeyer assumed command of Submarine Force, U.S. Seventh Fleet and Submarine Group SEVEN, in Yokosuka, Japan. After this assignment, he returned to the Naval Academy as the 72nd Commandant of Midshipmen where he served until February 1989.

Rear Admiral Habermeyer last served as Director, Attack Submarine Division on the staff of the Assistant Chief of Naval Operations (Undersea Warfare).

He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the Naval Academy and a Master of Science degree in Personnel Administration and Industrial Personnel Management from George Washington University.

His military awards include six Legion of Merits, four Navy Commendation Medals, the Navy Achievement Medal and various unit and campaign awards. Rear Admiral Habermeyer is married to the former Sally McCarley Cheshire of Nashville, Tennessee. They have two sons, Jim and Billy.



CAPTAIN

MARK C. HALEY

United States Navy

Commander Submarine Squadron EIGHT

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Captain Mark Christopher Haley, a native of Westfield, New Jersey graduated from the Lawrenceville School in 1963 and the United States Naval Academy in 1967.

Following nuclear power training and submarine school, Captain Haley was assigned junior officer tours aboard USS JAMES MONROE (SSBN 622)(BLUE) and USS DRUM (SSN 677). Between these tours Captain Haley attended the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, California, receiving a Master's degree in Oceanography in December 1972.

In March 1974, he was transferred to USS SCAMP (SSN 588) as Operations Officer and Navigator. In August 1977 Captain Haley became Executive Officer of USS THOMAS JEFFERSON (SSBN 618)(BLUE). In December 1988, Captain Haley reported as Commanding Officer, USS PLUNGER (SSN 595).

During his command tour from August 1981 to February 1985, USS PLUNGER was awarded two Battle Efficiency "E's," two Engineering "E's," two ASW "A's," the Silver Anchor Award, three Departmental Awards and the Type Commander nomination for the 1984 Arleigh Burke Fleet Trophy.

Following command, Captian Haley was assigned as Chief Staff Officer at Submarine Squadron TWENTY TWO in La Maddalena, Italy from October 1985 to October 1987. From October 1987 to May 1990 Captain Haley served as a Deputy Senior member of the Nuclear Propulsion Examining Board for the Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet in Pearl Harbor, HI. From July 1990 to May 1991 Captain Haley served as Commanding Officer, USS FULTON (AS-11). During this period, USS FULTON (AS-11) was awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation. From May 1991 to August 1991, Captain Haley served as Chief of Staff, Commander Submarine Group TWO. In August 1991, Captain Haley relieved as Commander Submarine Squadron EIGHT in Norfolk, Virginia.

Captain Haley is entitled to wear the Legion of Merit with one Gold Star, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy Commendation Medal, the Navy Achievement Medal, the Meritorious Unit Commendation with one Bronze Star, the Battle Efficiency "E" Ribbon with six "E's," the National Defense Service Medal with one Bronze Star, and the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon with three Bronze Stars.

Captain Haley is married to the former Margit Moller Pederson of Copenhagen, Denmark. They have three children: Adrian, Kathy, and Shannon.

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Commander, Submarine Squadron EIGHT

PRINCIPAL ADDRESS

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REMARKS AND READING OF ORDERS

Commander Marc D. Goldberg, USN

READING OF ORDERS

Commander Michael C. Tracy, USN

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Commander Goldberg, a native of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, is a 1973 graduate of the United States Naval Academy, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering. He then attended Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta, Georgia, receiving a Master of Science degree in Nuclear Engineering in August 1974.

Following Navy nuclear power training in Mare Island, California and Idaho Falls, Idaho, Commander Goldberg reported to the USS FLYING FISH (SSN 673), where he served from October 1975 to September 1978 as Main Propulsion Assistant and Weapons Officer. He participated in deployments to the North Atlantic, the Mediterranean, and an under-ice mission to the North Pole.

Commander Goldberg subsequently served as Engineer Officer aboard USS MEMPHIS (SSN 691) from October 1978 to November 1981. His numerous operational deployments were highlighted by a deployment to the Indian Ocean which ended in circumnavigating the globe through the Panama Canal.

Following the assignment aboard the USS MEMPHIS, Commander Goldberg served as Director, Enlisted Department of Naval Nuclear Power School, Orlando, Florida from November 1981 to November 1983.

Commander Goldberg returned to sea duty and served as Executive Officer on the USS WOODROW WILSON (SSBN 624)(BLUE) from February 1984 to February 1987. He completed six deterrent patrols.

Following assignment as Executive Officer, Commander Goldberg served on the personal staff of the Chief of Naval Operations as Assistant for Long Range Resources at the CNO Executive Panel.

Commander Goldberg currently serves as Commanding Officer of the USS NEWPORT NEWS (SSN 750). As the ship's second Commanding Officer, he completed all of the ship's shakedown and certifications and led her maiden deployment to the Mediterranean Sea, which included a rapid sortie in support of Operation DESERT STORM.

Commander Goldberg is entitled to wear the Meritorious Service Medal with one gold star, the Navy Commendation Medal with three gold stars, the Navy Achievement Medal with two gold stars, the Navy Unit Commendation Ribbon with one bronze star, the Meritorious Unit Commendation Ribbon with one bronze star, and the Battle Efficiency "E" Ribbon with four "E's."

Commander Goldberg is married to the former Suzanne Goldberg of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. They have three sons, Ross, Benjamin, and David.



COMMANDER
MICHAEL C. TRACY
Commanding Officer

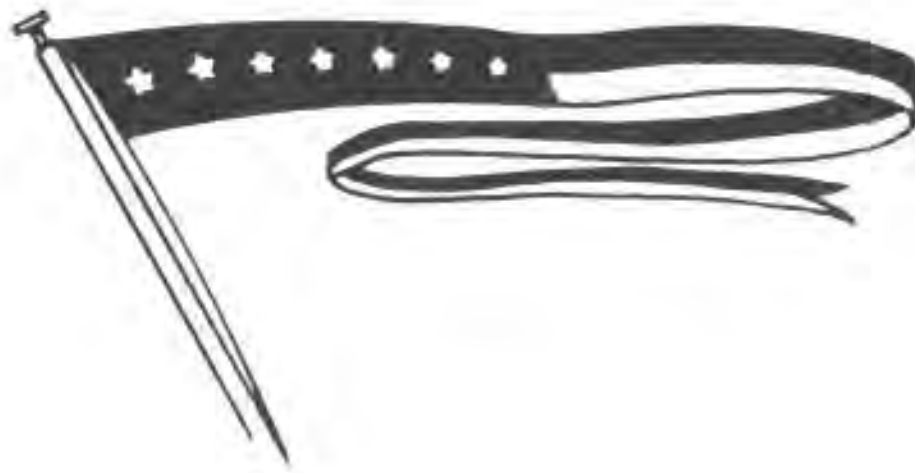
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United States Navy

Commander Tracy was born and raised in New Orleans, Louisiana and attended the United States Naval Academy immediately after high school. He graduated with distinction with the Class of 1975 and subsequently attended the University of Michigan, earning a Master of Science degree in Naval Architecture. Upon completing graduate work, Commander Tracy began nuclear power training, attending Nuclear Power School in Mare Island, California and the S5G Nuclear Power Training Unit in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Commander Tracy's first shipboard assignment was on USS THOMAS A. EDISON (SSBN 610), where he served as Main Propulsion Assistant and Damage Control Assistant from February 1978 until June 1981. Assignment to the U.S. Naval Academy faculty in the Naval Architecture curriculum followed. He was ordered as Engineer Officer to USS NATHANIEL GREENE (SSBN 636) in June 1984. Upon completion of this tour, he served as Executive Officer of USS ALBUQUERQUE (SSN 706) from February 1987 until April 1989. He most recently served on the staff of Naval Reactors in Washington, D.C. as Principal Assistant for Enlisted Education and Training Matters.

Commander Tracy's personal awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy Commendation Medal with two gold stars, and the Navy Achievement Medal with one gold star.

Commander Tracy resides in Virginia Beach with his wife, Charleen and their children, Heather, Jared, and Julia.



The ship's commissioning pennant, a replica of which appears above, symbolizes the order of active service. As such, it is flown continuously by each Navy ship from the moment she is commissioned until that final moment years later, when she is retired from active service. Traditionally, the commissioning pennant is replaced with a new one at each change of commanding officer. The outgoing commanding officer is then presented with the pennant flown during his command of the ship.

USS NEWPORT NEWS (SSN 750)

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LCDR J.E. RATTE, JR.

CHIEF OF THE BOAT
ETCM(SS) G.P. BROU

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- ENS J.R. ISAACS SUPPLY OFFICER

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LT S.C. BEUERMAN SONAR OFFICER
LT G.E. COLE PROSPECTIVE NUCLEAR ENGINEER OFFICER
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LTJG J.G. HACKWORTH ELECTRICAL OFFICER
ENS R.F. HALL REACTOR CONTROLS ASSISTANT

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COMMAND AT SEA THE PRESTIGE, PRIVILEGE AND THE BURDEN OF COMMAND

from Joseph Conrad



Only a seaman realizes to what extent an entire ship reflects the personality and ability of one individual, her Commanding Officer. To a landsman this is not understandable, and sometimes it is even difficult for us to comprehend, but it is so.

A ship at sea is a distant world in herself and in consideration of the protracted and distant operations of the fleet units, the Navy must place great power, responsibility and trust in the hands of those leaders chosen for command.

In each ship there is one man who, in the hour of emergency or peril at sea, can turn to no other man. There is one who alone is ultimately responsible for the safe navigation, engineering performance, accurate gunfiring, and morale of his ship. He is the Commanding Officer. He is the ship.

This is the most difficult and demanding assignment in the Navy. There is not an instant during his tour of duty as Commanding Officer that he can escape the grasp of command responsibility. His privileges in view of his obligations are almost ludicrously small; nevertheless command is the spur which has given the Navy its great leaders.

It is duty which richly deserves the highest, time-honored title of the seafaring world—"CAPTAIN."



U.S.S. NEWPORT NEWS (SSN 750)
Los Angeles-Class Attack Submarine

