Greetings, Class of 2006!

We are super excited to share a few posts from our Aught Six classmates who have recently held their Changes of Command! We also have an exciting update from our class's newest Representative, Congressman Chris Deluzio!

Congressman Chris Deluzio was in attendance for an event supporting Fisher House in his Congressional district in Western Pennsylvania, where fellow '06er Eric McElvenny was the keynote speaker! [2006 USNA #1 July - insert photo here]

Commander Matthew "Bromance" Fannin assumed the duties as Commanding Officer, Patrol Squadron FOUR (VP-4) on Thursday, April 20th 2023 at NAS Whidbey Island. VP-4 flies the Navy's premier Anti-Submarine Warfare aircraft - the P-8A Poseidon.

CDR Fannin was born and raised in Lakewood, Ohio. He was commissioned in 2006 as a Naval Flight Officer from the Naval Academy. He was followed two years later in 2008 by his younger brother, Mark, who commissioned in the Marine Corps. He was a four year letter winner in basketball and proud four time N-Star winner as well - he is incredibly thankful for his USNA experience and time on the hardwood with his Navy Team Family.

CDR Fannin earned his wings of gold in 2008 and has served in various P-3C Orion and P-8A Poseidon squadrons including VP-26, VP-30, VP-40, and the Maritime Patrol and Reconnaissance Weapons School qualifying as a Fleet Instructor and Weapons and Tactics Instructor. He served his disassociated sea tour as the Assistant Navigator on the USS CARL VINSON and most recently as the Assistant Washington DC Placement Officer at Navy Personnel Command before assuming his role as Executive Officer.

CDR Fannin was joined at his change of command by numerous classmates including Kelvin Boatner, Leonard Green, Adam Lane and Chris Brugler. [2006 USNA #2 July - insert photo here] He was also joined by his lovely wife Elisabeth and their three beautiful children, Madelyn, Ford and Brooklyn. [2006 USNA #3 July - insert photo here]

CDR Cayanne "Peppers" McFarlane assumed the duties as Commanding Officer, Naval Information Warfare Training Group San Diego on Friday, April 21st 2023. CDR McFarlane was born and raised in Fairbanks, AK and was commissioned in 2006 as a Cryptologic Warfare Officer. Her extensive experience across the space, cyber, and non-kinetic effect warfare domains has had an impact on the future of the Information Warfare domain. This milestone in her career is just one more example of how hard work pays dividends. **[2006 USNA #4 July - insert photo here] [2006 USNA #5 July - insert photo here] [2006 USNA #6 July - insert photo here]**

On May 12 th , 2023, CDR Matt "McLovin" Lovick (10 th Company) read BUPERS number two zero aught six, reported to the Wing Commodore, CAPT Bob "Skillz" Majoris

(Class of '99), and assumed command of Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron THREE (VQ-3) at Tinker AFB in Oklahoma. CDR Josh "BB" Sink (8 th Company) checked onboard as his XO. Also in attendance were Matt's company mates, CDR Kristofer Womack and CDR Joe Koessler, and Matt's Sponsor Dad and previous owner of the Annapolis Great Harvest Bread Company, CDR (ret.) Jim Rodrock hailing from the Class of '81. Vintage "Aught Six!" nametags were proudly adorned and Brasso'd to polish off 21 years of salt, barnacles, and tar in preparation for the event and just in case a last minute inspection was conducted by Sergeant Major Santiago. Luckily "Get it Back!" was unnecessary for the duration of the ceremonial events. Merriment continued at the Officers Club and Matt's horse ranch following the ceremony. The "World Famous IRONMEN" of VQ-3 conduct global nuclear deterrence missions with 8 E-6B jets and a complement of 750 Officers and Sailors. They are based out of Tinker AFB in Oklahoma with a detachment at Travis AFB in California and detachment at Offutt AFB in Nebraska. If any '06ers are passing through Oklahoma stop by for a steak and a tour! Custodes Libertatis! [2006 USNA #7 July - insert photo here] [2006 USNA #8 July - insert photo here] [2006 USNA #9 July - insert photo here] [2006 USNA #10 July - insert photo here] [2006 USNA #11 July - insert photo here]