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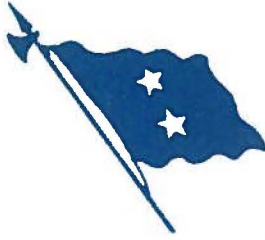
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NAVAL POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL
Monterey, California

The Naval Postgraduate School opened at Annapolis in 1909 and later shifted its location to Monterey in 1952. During that period of time it has conferred over 19,000 degrees. A typical student is a married U.S. Naval Officer who has completed an operational tour, is living in the nearby government housing, and is engaged in intensive studies leading to a master's degree in one of 43 different curricula. This student would spend 18 to 27 months here earning a master's degree which has been specifically tailored to include certain educational skill requirements necessary for subsequent billet assignments. Students are obliged to remain in service for about four years after they complete their schooling. Although most of the graduates receive masters degrees, there are normally a dozen or so students working on professional engineering degrees and another dozen or so on doctorates.

Students arrive every quarter, although the heaviest inputs are in March and September. Of the approximately 1750 students now enrolled, 59% are in the United States Navy, 24% are from other United States services such as the Army, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, NOAA, civilian labs, etc., and the remaining 17% are from allied foreign countries.

The faculty consists of approximately 320 professors and about 40 military instructors. Many are internationally recognized in their respective fields. Two thirds of them are on a tenured track while the rest are adjunct professors, and this arrangement allows the necessary flexibility to deal with variable demands. In order to keep abreast in their fields they are encouraged to do research beneficial to other governmental agencies. Over \$14 million of research is conducted or administered from this campus.

To meet this end, the Navy has made a strong commitment to quality postgraduate education of its officer corps—and for good reason. In addition to meeting the needs of near-term functional skills, this investment has served as a mechanism for sustaining the foundation of intellectual vigor in critical areas of expertise. Experience has proven that graduate level education is a fundamental constituent in the building of operational, technical, and managerial skills essential to maintaining institutional excellence in the face of dramatic change.

In support of national defense requirements, the Naval Postgraduate School graduates an average of 800 officers a year, and offers a variety of courses in science, management and engineering. In addition, its faculty members are dedicated to providing the highest quality education for their students.

Fourteen alumni have earned distinction as astronauts. Other distinguished graduates include Admirals Arleigh Burke, Hyman Rickover and James D. Watkins, to name a few.

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VICE ADMIRAL NILS R. THUNMAN, UNITED STATES NAVY

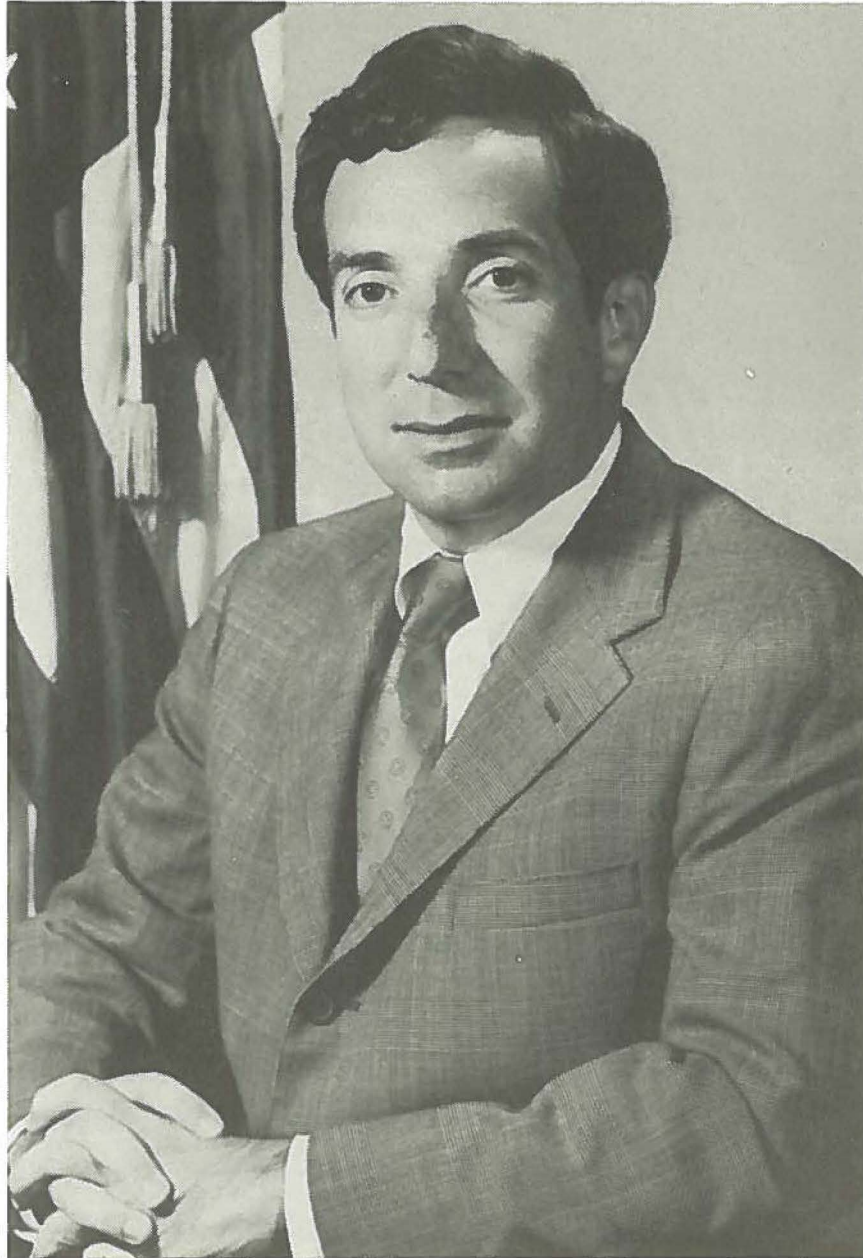
Nils Ronald Thunman was born in Cleveland, Ohio on 26 February 1932, but was raised in Springfield, Illinois, which he calls home. After first attending the University of Illinois, he entered the U.S. Naval Academy. Upon graduation in 1954 and after a short tour as Company Officer, he served for three years in the destroyer USS SHELTON. In 1957, he was assigned as Commanding Officer of the Experimental Patrol Craft ESCORT, USS MARYSVILLE.

In 1959 he entered submarine school. After completion of Naval Nuclear Propulsion training in 1961, he was assigned as an instructor in the Nuclear Power School at New London, Connecticut. In 1962, he reported to the fleet ballistic missile submarine, USS ROBERT E. LEE. In 1963, Vice Admiral Thunman was assigned as Executive Officer of USS SNOOK. Following a tour in the Bureau of Naval Personnel, he was assigned in 1968 as Commanding Officer of USS PLUNGER. During his three-year tour in command of PLUNGER, the ship earned both a Navy Unit Commendation and the Arleigh Burke Fleet Trophy.

After serving on the staffs of Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet and Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet, Vice Admiral Thunman was assigned as Commander of the POLARIS Strategic Missile Submarine Squadron in Guam. When promoted to flag rank in May 1976, he was assigned as the Assistant Chief of Naval Personnel for Officer Development and Distribution and then, in 1978, as Director, Military Personnel and Training Division. After three years in Washington, he served as Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet from May 1979 to July 1981. In July 1981, he was promoted to Vice Admiral and assigned as Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Submarine Warfare) until October 1985. On 31 October 1985 Vice Admiral Thunman assumed the position of Chief of Naval Education and Training in Pensacola, Florida.

Vice Admiral Thunman's decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit with three Gold Stars, Navy Commendation Medal with one Gold Star, Navy Unit Commendation with one Bronze Star, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Navy Expeditionary Medal, China Service Medal, and the Vietnam Service Medal with three Bronze Stars.

He is married to the former Elizabeth Chase Caldwell of Annapolis, Maryland. They have two sons, Nils Ronald Jr., and Michael Erik.



SETH CROPSEY

Mr. Seth Cropsey is Deputy Under Secretary of the Navy, reporting to the Secretary of the Navy on policy issues ranging from defense organization, special operations and the role of maritime power.

Mr. Cropsey holds a Bachelor's Degree from St. John's College, Santa Fe, New Mexico, and a Master's Degree in Political Science from Boston College. He subsequently served as Assistant Editor of *The Public Interest*, a national journal specializing in American public policy questions, and he has reported for *Fortune Magazine* on U.S. businesses and private enterprise. He has also published articles, reviews and essays on defense and foreign policy topics, which have appeared in *Harpers*, *Commentary*, *Naval Proceedings*, the *Wall Street Journal*, and other publications.

In 1981, Mr. Cropsey became an Assistant to the Secretary of Defense. In 1982 he was named Director of Policy at the Voice of America, United States Information Agency, where he was responsible for the editorial policy of the United States government's worldwide, radio broadcasting system. He returned to the Department of Defense in 1984 to undertake his current position. He is also an officer in the United States Naval Reserve.

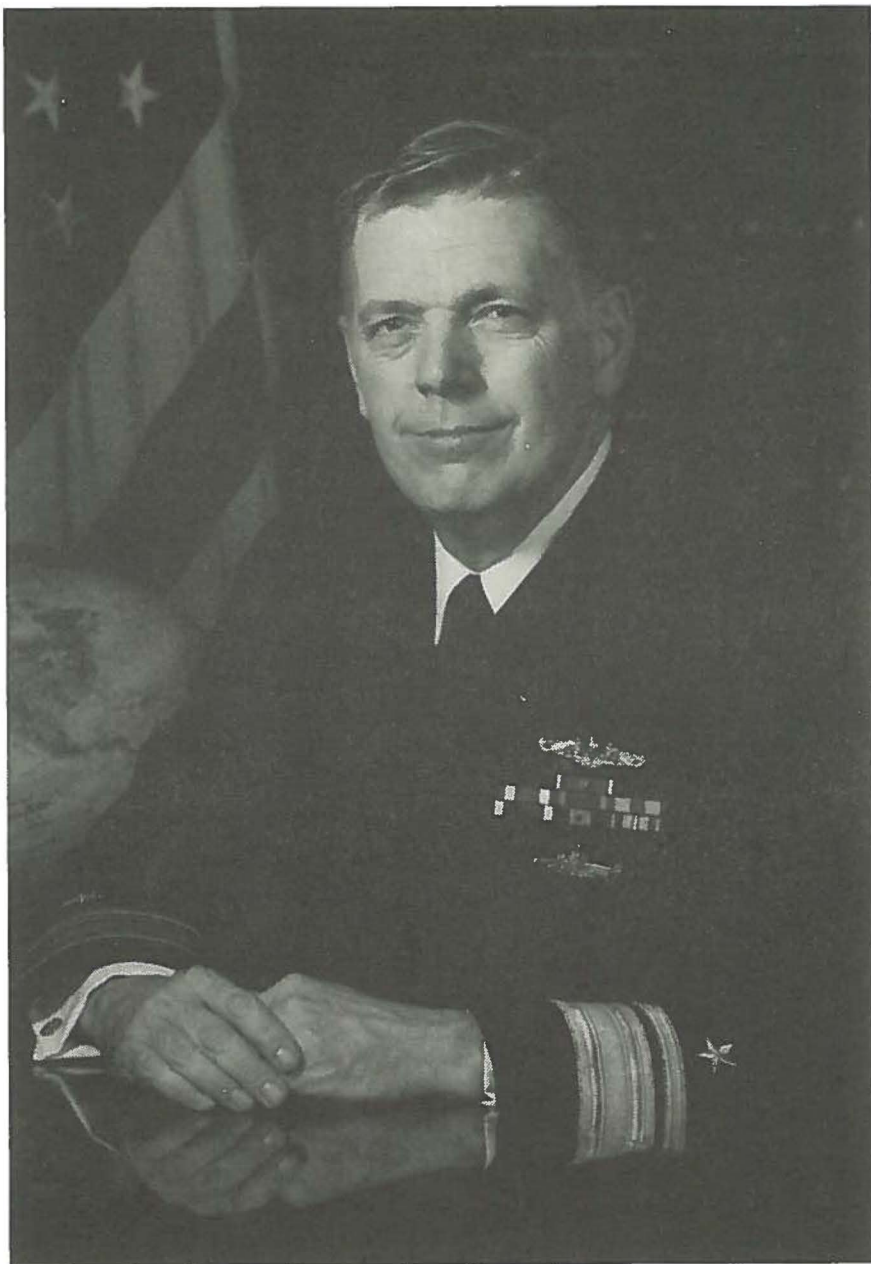


REAR ADMIRAL ROBERT H. SHUMAKER, UNITED STATES NAVY

Rear Admiral Robert H. Shumaker was born in New Castle, Pennsylvania where he attended public schools. He graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1956 where his interests included boxing, cross-country and golf. As a fighter pilot flying the F-8 Crusader, he made several Mediterranean cruises on SARATOGA. In 1964 he earned a Master's Degree in Aeronautical Engineering at the Naval Postgraduate School. In 1965 while serving with VF-154 embarked on USS CORAL SEA, his aircraft was shot down over North Vietnam and he then spent the next eight years as a Prisoner of War. After repatriation he earned a Master's Degree and a Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Electrical Engineering. In 1977 he reported to the Naval Air Systems Command as the logistic commander's executive assistant and then as a major project manager for nine air launched missiles in the defense suppression family. He assumed his present duties as Superintendent of the Naval Postgraduate School on 21 October 1983.

Rear Admiral Shumaker and his wife Lorraine were married in 1963 and they have one child, Grant. Their interests include horses and country living.

The Admiral has been awarded the Distinguished Service Medal, two Silver Stars, two Legions of Merit, the Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star, two Purple Hearts, and other awards.



REAR ADMIRAL ROBERT CLARKE AUSTIN, UNITED STATES NAVY

Rear Admiral Austin was born in Cleveland, Ohio on September 5, 1931. After graduating from Maury High School in Norfolk, Virginia, he enlisted in the Navy on October 7, 1948 where he served until his fleet appointment to the Naval Academy.

After graduation from the Naval Academy in 1954, he served as Engineer Officer on board the USS NOA (DD 841) until entering Submarine School in 1957. His first submarine assignment was on the USS THORNBACK (SS 418). In May 1963 he received a Master of Science degree in Physics from the Naval Postgraduate School. After serving as Executive Officer of the USS GRAMPUS (SS 523), he then entered Nuclear Power Training and subsequently served as Navigator aboard the USS TRITON (SSN 586) and as Executive Officer of the USS JOHN ADAMS (SSBN 620) Gold Crew. He commanded the USS FINBACK (SSN 670) following her construction until April 1972. He next reported to Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet as Prospective Commanding Officer Instructor and head of the Advanced Tactical Training Division. He served as Commander Submarine Development Group TWO from May 1974 to July 1976. He next assumed command of the Submarine School in August 1976 until August 1978. As a Captain he served as Deputy and later as Chief of Staff SUBLANT. He was selected for flag rank in January 1980. In July 1980, Rear Admiral Austin was assigned to the Joint Chiefs of Staff where he served as Deputy Commissioner, U.S. Component of the US-USSR Standing Consultative Commission and as Deputy Director for International Negotiations of the Plans and Policy Directorate. His most recent assignment was as Chief of Naval Education and Training, Millington, Tennessee.

Rear Admiral Austin's decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit with two gold stars, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy Expeditionary Medal, Navy Occupation Service Medal with European Clasp, the Navy Unit Commendation Ribbon, National Defense Service Medal and the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal.

Rear Admiral Austin is married to the former Joyce Bisese of Norfolk, Virginia. They have four children: a married daughter Susan Ebdon, of Bridgeport, Connecticut; a married son Jim of Ledyard, Connecticut; a son Robert Jr., attending Memphis State University, and a daughter Cecelia.

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