

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS



ADM JAMES HOGG USN (RET)

Service over self describes the best attributes of Admiral Hogg's seventy years of devoted leadership to our Nation, Navy, and Association. A stalwart of maritime excellence, intellectual leadership, with duties in the most important assignments, Admiral Hogg has been on the forefront of numerous important decisions that have been key to the U.S. Navy's strategic objectives. A true renaissance man, Admiral Hogg took the reins of the Navy's Strategic Studies Group in 1995, and influenced through his mentorship and vision, countless officers who would ascend to the highest leadership positions in the Navy and Marine Corps. While being one of the busiest leaders behind the scenes, he still had time to not only be a plankowner in our Association, but also serve as our Chairman of the Board from 1994 to 2020, expanding SNA beyond anything imaginable when the Association stood up. In the special words of the current President of SNA, "We have been incredibly fortunate to have Admiral Hogg at the Helm of our Association during a period of growth and success in meeting its mission." Admiral Hogg's contributions to the Navy and our Association will be remembered into perpetuity and for these contributions we award him our Association's Special Recognition Award, our highest honor.



VADM HANK GIFFIN III USN (RET)

One of the greatest role models, mentors, and leaders of our Association is Vice Admiral Hank Giffin. Retiring as the Commander, Naval Surface Forces Atlantic, VADM Giffin has played a pivotal role in the growth of our Association, contributing in countless ways with his sound judgment and leadership. For many years, VADM Giffin served as SNA's East Coast Vice President, Scholarship Committee Member, Board of Directors' Member, and Executive Committee Member. He has always been a regular attendee and supporter at many of the Hampton Roads Chapter events. Whether cheering on Navy Lacrosse or participating in motor races with his MGB, he approaches his interests with remarkable enthusiasm. VADM Giffin's guidance has inspired others and driven the Association toward significant achievements. For these and other accomplishments we award him our Special Recognition Award, our Association's highest honor.

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MOUZETTA ZUMWALT-WEATHERS

One of our most revered Chiefs of Naval Operations, ADM Elmo R. Zumwalt, has left an indelible mark on the Surface Navy Association. After his passing, his youngest daughter, Mrs. Zumwalt-Weathers stepped in brilliantly and provided inspirational leadership and energy behind the Admiral Zumwalt Award for Visionary Leadership. In her own powerful way, she enhanced the importance of this award, making it not only one of SNA's key awards for intellectual leadership, but also making it one of the highest sought-after awards by potential recipients. She serves as the ship co-sponsor of USS Zumwalt (DDG-1000) and connects closely with the Captain and Crew of her father's namesake vessel. Mrs. Zumwalt-Weathers also keeps her father's memories and accomplishments on the forefront of our Association, as she is known to regale our members with wonderful stories and anecdotes of her father's courage in the face of naysayers and skeptics as he led our Navy into making important and essential changes in how our sailors were led. There are precious few change-leaders such as ADM Zumwalt, and Mouzetta carries these stories and history deep within her heart as she graciously shares these profiles in courage with the crew of the Zumwalt as well as with our Association members. For these critically valuable accomplishments, we award her our Special Recognition Award, our highest honor.