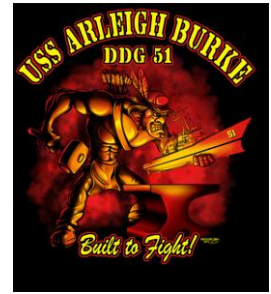




December Dinner Meeting

Jointly presented by the Tidewater Section of ASNE
& the ARLEIGH BURKE Association



When: **Wednesday, December 14, 2011**
6:00 – 9:00 pm

Where: Marriott Springhill Suites ~ 6350 Newtown Road, Norfolk

How: RSVP by NOON, Tuesday the 13th @ www.asne-tw.org

Pay on-line with credit card or pay at the door.

Questions: Contact Mike D'Amato @ 757-226-1114

“USS ARLEIGH BURKE at 20 Years – Re-Built to Fight”



Commander Corey J. Keniston
United States Navy
USS ARLEIGH BURKE (DDG 51)

CDR Keniston was born in Fort Worth, Texas and raised near Corpus Christi. He earned a Bachelor of Arts in History from Texas A&M University in 1993.

His first tour of duty was on board USS KALAMAZOO (AOR 6), where he served as Main Machinery, Boilers, and Auxiliaries Division Officer. In November 1996, CDR Keniston transferred to his second Division Officer tour on board USS VICKSBURG (CG 69) as Combat Information Center Officer.

For his first shore tour, CDR Keniston was the Course Supervisor for the Force Air Defense Warfare Commander's Course at the AEGIS Training and Readiness Center in Dahlgren, Virginia, from August of 1998 to October of 2000. During his tour he earned a Masters of Science in Education from Old Dominion University.

His two Department Head tours were both on board USS BUNKER HILL (CG 52) from March 2001 to February 2004, homeported in San Diego, California as the Weapons Officer and as the Combat Systems Officer.

His second shore tour was at the Pentagon from March 2004 through September 2005. He worked within Surface Warfare Operations and Requirements (OPNAV N76) as the in-service and advanced RADAR Section Head. Additionally, he served as Flag Aide to Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Operations and Requirements N6/7.

His most recent sea tour was as Executive Officer on board USS VELLA GULF (CG 72) from February 2006 to October 2007, where he completed a Baltic Sea Operation, deployment to the Arabian Gulf, and waters off Somalia (near the Horn of Africa).

Serving again at the Pentagon, this time on the Joint Staff J-3, from November 2007 to October 2009, he was instrumental in coordinating NATO and partner nation contributions to the International Security Assistance Force for the war in Afghanistan.

CDR Keniston is currently the Commanding Officer of guided missile destroyer USS ARLEIGH BURKE (DDG 51) homeported in Norfolk, Virginia. His personal decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (5 awards), Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, and various unit and service awards. He is married, has two children, and resides in Virginia Beach, VA.