



April Dinner Meeting

Hosted by the Tidewater Section of ASNE

Wednesday April 15, 2009 @ 6:00 pm
Springhill Suites ~ 6350 Newtown Road, Virginia Beach

RSVP and Pay Online by NOON, Tues 14th at www.asne-tw.org/events



Captain Robin Russell

TEAM SHIPS, SEA 21
Surface Combatants Program Manager 400F

Born in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and raised in Ohio, Illinois, and New Mexico, Captain Russell graduated from the United States Naval Academy.

At sea, Captain Russell served as the Main Propulsion Assistant and then First Lieutenant and Navigator aboard guided missile cruiser William H. Standley (CG-32) in San Diego, California. Following Department Head School, he served as the Weapons and then Combat Systems Department Heads aboard guided missile destroyers Semmes (DDG-18) and Mahan (DDG-42) in Charleston, South Carolina. Captain Russell then served as the Flag Lieutenant for the Commander, Seventh Fleet / Commander US Naval Forces Central Command during Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. After the War, he served as the Executive Officer aboard USS Mobile Bay (CG-53) in Yokosuka, Japan. Captain Russell commanded USS Arleigh Burke (DDG-51) in Norfolk, Virginia.

Ashore, Captain Russell graduated from the Naval Postgraduate School and the Naval War College. For his Joint duty, he served as the project officer for the National Missile Defense Program at the United States Space Command in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Captain Russell was also the Director of Training and Executive Officer of the Aegis Training and Readiness Center in Dahlgren, Virginia. Following command of the Arleigh Burke, he served as the Warfare Systems Branch Head for the Director of Surface Warfare (OPNAV N76). Selected for the Acquisition Professional Community in February 2004, he reported to Program Executive Office for Integrated Warfare Systems (PEO IWS) in September 2004 where he served as the first Major Program Manager for International Programs. In January 2008, he was selected as Program Manager for the Surface Combatants (SEA21 400F).

Captain Russell is married to Lisa Bergstrom Russell from Lancaster, PA. They have three children.