

USMMA KP Alumni - Chapter Presidents Alliance, Inc.

USMMA KP Alumni – Annual SNAME Award Dinner- Providence, Rhode Island Friday October 26, 2012 at 6:30 P.M.

Feature Event: USMMA KP Alumni – Annual SNAME Award Dinner

Welcoming as Speaker: Gary W. Van Tassel (KP '73) - Principal - VT Design, LLC and Manager, LNG Technical - Argent Marine Companies

Also Presenting: Annual KP Alumni RADM Lauren S. McCready (SNAME) Award

All KP Alumni, Midshipman Parents and supporters of Kings Point, are welcome to attend a Reception and Dinner on Friday October 26, 2012 at 6:30 P.M., in Providence, Rhode Island.

We encourage you to attend this special evening program, support our fellow KP Alumni! We will also provide hosting for several of our USMMA Midshipmen attending the Annual SNAME Meeting & Expo!

Additionally, please join the Kings Point guests from SNAME (Society of Naval Architects & Marine Engineers) for the presentation of the prestigious Admiral Lauren S. McCready Award for excellence in engineering. This presentation will be made by the 2009 Award Recipient - Edward A. Waryas, Jr. (KP '70) and 2010 Award Recipient - Erik Seither (KP '76), Executive Director of the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers (SNAME)

This award is presented annually by the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy Alumni organizations for "Outstanding Naval Architecture or Marine Engineering Contributions to the Maritime Industry." The award recognizes USMMA Alumni who are members of the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers (SNAME) and who have made significant technical achievements possible. It is named in honor of Rear Admiral Lauren S. McCready, longtime Head of the Engineering Department at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, New York.

All are welcome! Please sign-up ASAP and invite your friends and colleagues.

Date: Friday October 26, 2012

Time: 6:30PM Cocktails Meet & Greet (Cash Bar), 1930-2130 Dinner and Presentations

Location: Aspire Restaurant, (two blocks from the Westin in Providence) 311 WESTMINSTER STREET PROVIDENCE, RI 02903

Tel: 401-521-3333 www.HOTELPROVIDENCE.COM

Cost: \$ 35 per person

Speaker: Gary W. Van Tassel (KP '73) - Principal - VT Design, LLC and Manager, LNG Technical - Argent Marine Companies

Topic: "LNG as a Vessel Fuel – Creating the Required Bunkering Infrastructure"

Presenting: Annual KP Alumni RADM Lauren S. McCready (SNAME) Award

We appreciate those willing to ***Sponsor Dinner For An Attending Midshipman***. Our generous sponsors will be seated with "your" Midshipman, and you will be recognized in our evening program!

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 **KP Alumni SNAME Award *Dinner for TWO* 102612 \$ 70.00**

Dinner Menu: (see linked below) Cash bar

-Appetizer: Choice of New Englander Clam Chowder, Chicken and Lemongrass Consommé, Baby Arugula Salad or Raspberry Walnut Salad

-Entree: Steak Frites, Long Island Duck, Seabass Romesco, Baked New England Cod or Israeli Couscous

-Desert: Vanilla Bean Crème Brulee, Chocolate Lava Cake or Pineapple Rum Cake

About Our Featured Speaker:

**Gary W. Van Tassel (KP '73)
2011 RADM Lauren S. McCready Award Recipient**



**Gary W. Van Tassel (KP '73)
Principal - VT Design, LLC
Manager - LNG Technical, Argent Marine Companies**

Gary W. Van Tassel (KP '73) - Principal - VT Design, LLC and Manager, LNG Technical - Argent Marine Companies. Mr. Van Tassel has specialized in the design and operation of LNG Carriers, the marine transportation of LNG and the design and construction of high speed planing vessels. Prior positions include Research Vessel Master and Chief Engineer for The Marine Science Consortium; Manager LNG Training, Marine Safety International; Senior Cryogenic Engineer, El Paso Marine Company; Mechanical Section Manager, Levingston Marine Company; Manager Marine Engineering, Giannotti & Associates; President of Ocean Technical Services; President of Ocean Tech Marine; Director Cryogenics and Training, Argent Marine Operations; Vice President Operations, Argent Marine Operations rising to President of Argent Marine Operations. While at Argent Marine Operations, his responsibilities included the return to service, upgrade to current regulatory requirements and operation of Argent Marine's LNG carriers. At Ocean Tech Marine, Mr. Van Tassel pioneered the use of light weight composite, vacuum bagged construction in high speed vessels and designed and built a variety of cutting edge high speed yachts and was issued two patents for surface piercing propulsion systems. As Manager, LNG Technical for Argent Marine Companies Mr. Van Tassel is responsible for developing short sea, small scale LNG carriers and has two patents pending for innovative approaches to this emerging maritime trade. He is the author of 15 technical papers including SNAME 2010 and 2011 Annual Meeting papers. Mr. Van Tassel is a dual license graduate of the United States Merchant Marine Academy class of 1973 and earned a Master of Engineering (Ocean) degree from Steven's Institute of Technology in 1980. He is an avid competitive sailor, former Kings Point Sailing Team Commodore and a sailplane pilot.



Lauren S. McCready Award

Nominees for the Lauren S. McCready Award should meet the following qualifications:

1. Be a Kings Point Alumnus
2. Be a member of SNAME
3. Have made significant technical achievement in the maritime industry and/or contributed organizational or managerial support in making achievements possible.

Preferably, the nominee should be a Kings Point Alumnus whose contributions would be readily and widely recognized by the marine community. A nomination should include support material that can be used by the selection committee in their deliberations. As a reminder of the prestigious nature of this award, a list of all past recipients is given below.

The selection committee consists of past recipients of the award under the chairmanship of Professor Emeritus Walter M. Maclean, '45, D. Eng., P.E. and the co-Chairmanship of Dr. William B. Morgan. The award will be presented at the **USMMA KP Alumni – Annual SNAME Award Dinner, in Providence, Rhode Island on Friday October 26, 2012 at 6:30 P.M.**

THE RADM LAUREN S. MCCREADY AWARD

The Lauren S. McCready Award is intended to recognize graduates of the United States Merchant Marine Academy who are members of The Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers and who have made significant technical achievements in the marine industry or who have contributed organizational or managerial support to making such technical achievements possible. The award is named in honor of RADM Lauren Strong McCready, the first and longtime Head, Department of Engineering at the Kings Point.

RADM LAUREN S. MCCREADY AWARD RECIPIENTS

1967	Thaddeus Kedzierski, '50	1983	Eugene K. Pentimonti '64	1999	William L. McCarthy '69
1968	Dr. Walter M. Maclean, '45, P.E.	1984	John W. Boylston '61	2000	Daniel W. Kabel '77
1969	Dr. William B. Morgan, '50	1985	William A. Creelman '50	2001	Lawrence H. O'Toole '64
1970	Dr. Charles R. Cushing, 56, P.E.	1986	Dr. Donald Liu '62	2002	Ronald H. Williamson '56
1971	Capt. Warren G. Leback '44	1987	Louis D. Chirillo '43	2003	Dr. William Sembler, P.E. '75
1972	Stanley D. Wheatley '47	1988	Marcus J. Johnson '64	2004	Milton Gonzales '76
1973	Robert E. Whitam, '46	1989	W. Patrick Keene '62	2005	William Sember '68
1974	Philip Wallach '50	1990	Donald W. Forster '61	2006	Mary Culnane '80
1975	Harlan T. Haller '44	1991	Richard F. Smith '46	2007	Edward F. Hoffman '69
1976	Fred S. Sherman '55	1992	Allen Zang '48	2008	John F. Hatley, P.E. '76
1977	Nicola F. Pergola '49 *	1993	William H. Van Cott, Jr. '44 *	2009	Edward A. Waryas, Jr. '70
1978	Ellsworth L. Peterson '46	1994	Vincent F. Roth '64	2010	Eric Seither '76
1979	George A. Uberti '48 *	1995	Anthony P. Romano '57	2011	Gary W. Van Tassel '73
1980	RADM Thomas A. King '42	1996	Robert H. Kiefer '56 *	2012	James D. Fernie '71
1981	Charles H. Gross, Jr. '56	1997	James A. Harbach '68		
1982	David A. O'Neil '61 *	1998	Robert Magee, Jr. '69		

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Congratulations JAMES D. FERNIE (KP '71) 2012 RADM Lauren S. McCready Award Recipient



JAMES D. FERNIE (KP '71)
LLOYD'S REGISTER NORTH AMERICA, INC., Business Development Manager - Gulf Coast Area

JAMES D. FERNIE (KP '71), of Houston, Texas, is a liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) marine professional with 21 years experience. He has successfully managed a multi-cultural work force in different geographical locations. Jim has negotiated ship repair and extended warranty with foreign shipyards and LNG delivery schedules with foreign buyers. He has demonstrated leadership by developing, organizing and implementing an association of diverse port stakeholders. He is knowledgeable about national and international marine rules and regulations. Jim is an accomplished facilitator in committee work with polarized stakeholders. He has solid experience with: Ship Design, Ship Construction, Fleet Management, Chartering, Terminal Operations, Ship/Shore Terminal Interface, Government Relations, Budget and Financial Analysis, and Contract Negotiations.

Jim's professional employment includes:

LLOYD'S REGISTER NORTH AMERICA, INC., Business Development Manager - Gulf Coast Area (Present)

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD - Senior Marine Inspector

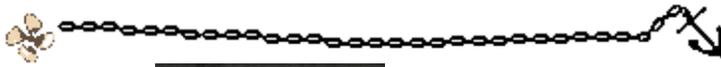
EXXONMOBIL - Consultant

CONOCOPHILLIPS COMPANY, HOUSTON, TX. - LNG Marine Program Manager

BG LNG SERVICES, Houston, Texas - Marine Manager-Terminals

ENRON GLOBAL LNG COMPANY, Houston, Texas - Manager Engineering

MARATHON OIL COMPANY, Houston, Texas - Manager, LNG Marine Operations



Erik Seither (KP '76) – Executive Director,
Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers (SNAME)

SNAME invites you to the 2012 Annual Meeting and Expo!

October 24-26, 2012

Rhode Island Convention Center (RICC), 1 Sabin Street Providence, RI 02903 (401) 458-6000

<http://www.sname.org/2012AnnualMeeting/Home/>

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