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Dear Mr. Natter: *BILL*

Greetings from Annapolis! I hope this quick note finds you and your family well and enjoying the holiday season. As is our custom at this time of year, I am pleased to extend deep appreciation to you for the Class of 1964's generous charitable gifts to the Naval Academy Foundation – and to share with you a few stories about how gifts are helping to shape the present and the future at the Naval Academy.

One of the most exciting developments at the Academy this fall has been the commencement of a new course in the core curriculum on cyber security studies. Midshipmen in the Class of 2015 are learning the basics of threat recognition, operating systems, computer languages and several additional technical skills. The course has grown out of the newly established USNA Center for Cyber Security Studies (CCSS), directed by CAPT Steve Simon, and will be followed by a required 2/C course in 2013-14 with greater emphasis on electrical engineering. The CCSS is also conducting a robust lecture series for the entire Naval Academy community and implementing new lab configurations to support the developing coursework. Long-term plans include discussions about construction of a Cyber Studies building to properly position the Academy's response to the U. S. Navy's emphasis on cyber warfare and reactivation of the Tenth Fleet as the Fleet Cyber Command.

Private gift support has played a key role in the establishment of the Center for Cyber Security Studies – as private gifts do every day in so many areas of life at the Naval Academy. I hope that you will be able to take a moment and read through the enclosed report(s) that highlight some of the programs and initiatives that your gifts – and those of many other alumni, parents and friends – have made possible over the past few years. Please share this letter and the attachments with your classmates. Email me at rich.goldsby@usna.com if you would like an electronic version that you can email or post on you Class website.

Thank you for your ongoing leadership of your class and your personal support for the Academy.

Best wishes for the holidays,

Richard E. Goldsby
Director, Class Legacy Gift Programs

Enclosure(s)

The U.S. Naval Academy Foundation raises private gifts for the U.S. Naval Academy and the Brigade of Midshipmen.