



## Denver Council May 16th Gala Dinner Meeting Hosting Rear Admiral Tracy Hines and Honoring Top Performers of the U.S. Navy Reserve Center Denver and Region Maritime Service Academy Appointees/NROTC Selectees

Spring is in the air! I hope that you enjoy the sunshine and warm weather!

Sadly, we have lost our dear friend and Council member retired Navy Captain Richard “Dick” Life who recently passed away. A celebration of life for Dick will be held on Saturday, April 26, 2025 at 11:00 AM at the American Legion, 850 N. Saint Vrain Ave. Estes Park, Colorado. A reception will follow ending at 1:30 PM. I hope you will be able to join us to celebrate the life of our departed friend and shipmate.



At our March meeting we were treated to a very interesting talk by retired Navy Commander and Denver Council member, Chuck Ridgway, who gave us some historical insight into Chinese naval ambitions today as they try to establish a naval presence on the Atlantic coast of Africa to reshape the international order to their own benefit at the expense of other nations, most especially the United States.

Our next dinner meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 16, 2025 at the Hilton Garden Inn Denver Airport in Aurora.

I am happy to report that Rear Admiral Tracy Hines has agreed to be our guest speaker for the evening. Rear Admiral Hines is the Deputy Director of Global Space Operations, U.S. SPACE COMMAND Peterson Space Force Base, Colorado.

As usual in May, we will invite the local area Sea Service Academy appointees, the NROTC scholarship recipients, and their families. We will also honor the top performers at the Naval Reserve center Denver. I hope that we will have a good turnout for this meeting.

Hope to see you on May 16th.

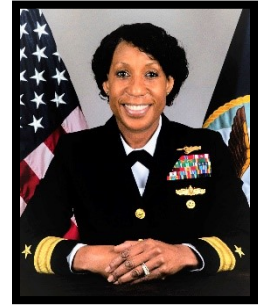
- Florence Mackin, President

### Rear Admiral Tracy Hines, USN

Rear Admiral Hines is a native of Columbus, Ohio. She received her commission through the Limited Duty Officer Program in 1996, graduated from American InterContinental University with a degree in Business Management in 2004, and laterally transferred into the Information Warfare community in 2007. She received a Master’s in Information Technology Cyber Forensics from Trident University in 2009.

Her operational assignments include assistant chief of staff for U.S. Seventh Fleet's Information Systems and

Networks (N6) directorate aboard USS Blue Ridge (LCC 19); USS Constellation (CV 64), where she completed two deployments to the Western Pacific and the Arabian Gulf; USS Cleveland (LPD 7), where she participated in Operation Enduring Freedom; Naval Special Warfare Group One, as the officer in charge of the Mobile Communications Team; Explosive Ordnance Group One; and Expeditionary Strike Group Three, where she supported Boxer Expeditionary Strike Group deployments to the Western Pacific. Her ashore assignments include Program Executive Office Command, Control, Communications, Computers and Intelligence (PEO C4I) in San Diego, Calif.; deputy executive assistant for the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Information Warfare (OPNAV N2N6) at the Pentagon, and officer community manager for the Bureau of Naval Personnel (BUPERS-3) in Millington, Tenn.



Hines completed an individual augmentee tour in Baghdad, Iraq, from May 2006 to June 2007. While assigned to the Multi-National Forces Iraq, she led the International Zone Fiber Optic Network Program.

From January 2014 to March 2016, Hines served as the commanding officer for Naval Computer and Telecommunications Station San Diego. After this tour, she served as the commanding officer of Hopper Information Services in Suitland, MD, followed by an assignment from April 2021 to April 2022 as the executive assistant to the Chief of Naval Operations.

As a flag officer, Hines has served as the Director of Enterprise Networks and Cybersecurity, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations for Information Warfare (OPNAV N2N6) at the Pentagon from May 2022-July 2023. In August 2023, she assumed her current position as the Deputy Director of Global Space Operations (J3) at United States Space Command, Peterson Space Force Base, Colorado.

Her qualifications include information warfare officer, surface warfare officer, tactical action officer, officer of the deck underway, conning alongside officer, junior officer of the deck and surface warfare information center officer.

Hines’ personal awards include the Legion of Merit (3), Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal (5), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (4), and Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (4).

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**May Gala Dinner Meeting Friday,  
May 16th, 2025, 7PM**

Your reservations may be made online no later than **Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 5 PM** via our Navy League RSVP Site:

<https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/denver-council-dinner-may-16--2025>

If you prefer to RSVP by ground mail, please print this page, complete the form and send it to arrive **NO LATER THAN THURSDAY May 8<sup>th</sup>** with check for \$40.00 per plate payable to NLUS Denver Council to:

Mrs. Florence Mackin  
2137 Night Sky Lane  
Lafayette, CO 80026  
(720-292-9772)

**RESERVATION REQUEST for NLUS Denver Council May Gala Dinner  
Friday, May 16th, 2025**

**6:00 PM Social Hour**

**7:00 PM Dinner**

NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_

GUEST(S): \_\_\_\_\_

# MEALS:

Chicken \_\_\_\_\_

Salmon \_\_\_\_\_

Vegetarian Plate \_\_\_\_\_

Cost remains at \$40.00 per plate.

**DIRECTIONS TO MEETING PLACE:**

**Hilton Garden Inn Denver Airport  
16475 East 40th Circle,  
Aurora, CO 80011**

I-70 east to North Chambers Road (Turn left, North), then turn right (East) on East 40th Avenue. Turn right (South) on the second East 40th Circle. Hilton Garden Inn is on the right just behind Applebee's Restaurant.