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CAPT Douglas Burfield was raised in Saint Marys, Pennsylvania. He was commissioned in 1998 from the United States Naval Academy. After flight school and winging in 2000, he was assigned to Helicopter Combat Support Squadron Six (HC-6) and deployed with H-46D detachments aboard USS Arctic (AOE 8) and USS Mount Whitney (LCC 20). Following a shore assignment with Joint Staff J2, Deputy Directorate for Targets, he served as USS Wasp (LHD 1) Hangar Officer, Mini Boss and Officer of the Deck Underway. After transitioning to the MH-60S helicopter in 2008, he joined Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron Two Eight (HSC-28) as Detachment Officer in Charge aboard USS Wasp and USS Nassau (LHA 4) as well as Operations Officer.

CAPT Burfield was then assigned to the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Strategy and Plans Division (OPNAV N3/N5) as Special Technical Operations Officer before reporting to Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron Five (HSC-5) "Night Dippers" in 2015. As Executive Officer of the "Night Dippers," he deployed with Carrier Air Wing Seven aboard USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75). He later served as Commanding Officer of HSC-5 until 2017 when he was assigned to Carrier Strike Group FOUR as Assistant Chief of Staff for Training and Assessments to assist with deployment certification exercises.

CAPT Burfield reported to Naval Air Station Patuxent River as Executive Officer June 14, 2022, and assumed the responsibilities of Commanding Officer in January 2024.

He is a graduate of Elk County Christian High School and has a Bachelor of Science degree in Marine Engineering from USNA as well as a Master's Degree in National Security Studies from American Military University.

His awards include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Commendation Medal, three Navy Commendation Medals and Navy Achievement Medal.

Your Pax River Council in Action (2024)

Charitable distributions:

\$41,111

Service Member Support

\$3,000 (7%)

*Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society donation
Navy Ball*

Morale

\$19,181 (47%)

*Ski Trip
Sunset Cruises
Contribution to Pax River Ombudsman Program*

Fleet Support

\$4,325 (11%)

*Holiday Parties and Recreation Funds
Right Hand Sailor Event
Exceptional Family Member
TPS Reception
Test NFO of the Year Award*

Community Awareness

\$14,324 (34%)

*Annual Meeting/Social
NJROTC Support and Awards Program
Golf Tournament Fundraiser (Mark your calendar for May 10, 2024)
Taste of Maryland*

Admin

\$281 (1%)

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