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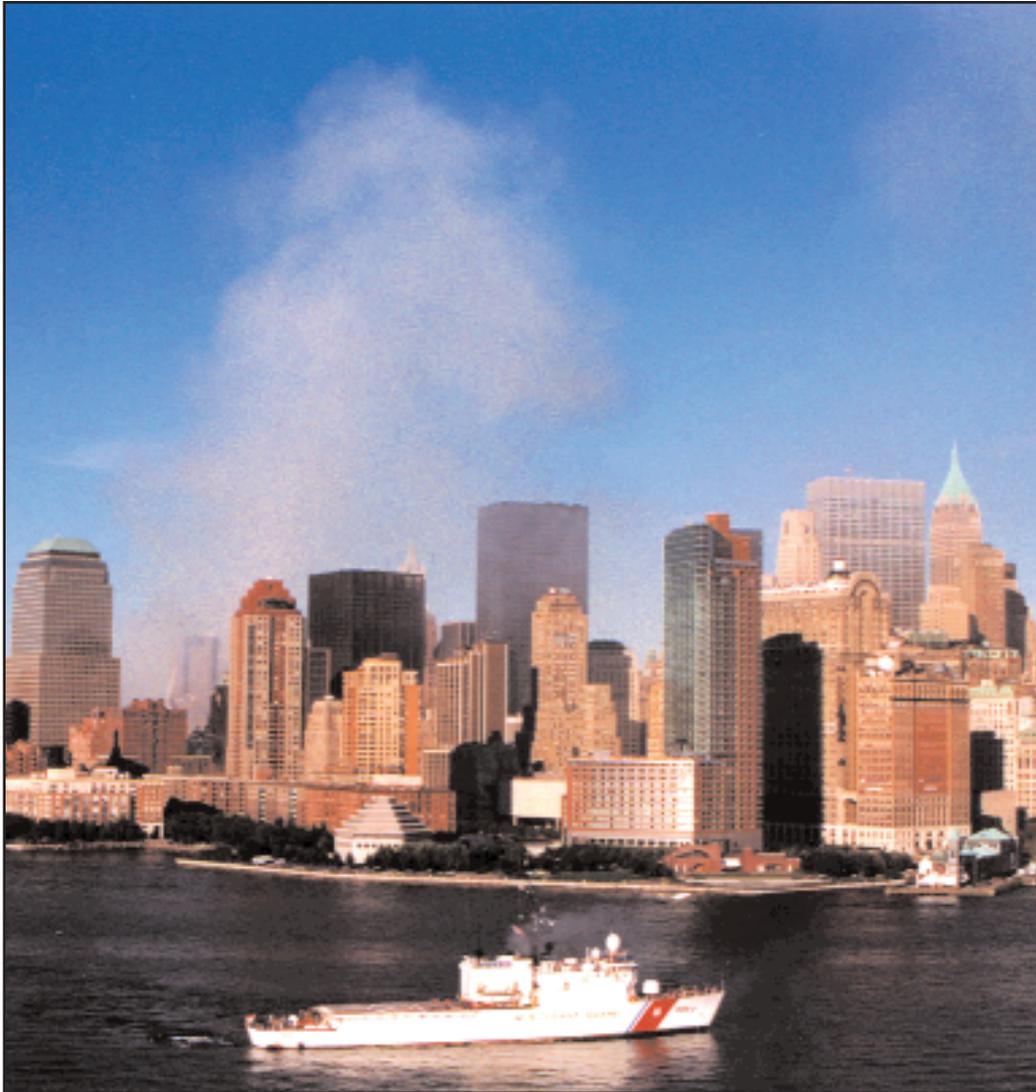
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AT THE PENTAGON FOLLOWING THE ATTACK ON AMERICA.



Reservists YN2 Therese Benavente and YNC Ann DeCoursey reflect at a makeshift memorial near the Pentagon Sept. 27.

Sept. 11 was a day unlike any other I have lived through. Like so many of you I have talked with since, I was stunned by the attack on our homeland, on the land we love! Our thoughts and prayers are with the many family and friends of those we lost at the World Trade Center, Pentagon and in Pennsylvania that tragic day.

I spent the following Sunday after the attack helping many in the Office of Reserve Affairs call reservists in the Individual Ready Reserve, seeing if they were available for recall and updating information. The outpouring of those calling in to volunteer and lend support in any way possible has been most encouraging. As the days passed, the number of reservists recalled to active duty skyrocketed to over 2,700. I have never seen anything like it. By comparison, during all of Desert Storm, we called up 1,650 reservists.

Like the previous issue, this is another special issue, and we reorganized a few sections. I've postponed the Citizen-Sailor firefighter issue, but only for the moment. We've seen firefighters come to the forefront in the wake of the attack, and we will be saluting them in the near future.

I know you're busy, but if you have a few moments, I recommend the following stories for inspirational and background reading as the Coast Guard answers the call to defend America once again. By reading these, you will indeed see that we Americans and Coast Guardsmen are made of the "right stuff" — there's a reason why the name American ends in "can." These stories are all on line at www.uscg.mil/reserve (click on *Reservist*)

- *The Coast Guard in Vietnam*, November 1996
- *The Guard & Reserve Components Family*, February 1997
- *The WWII Mounted Beach Patrol*, July 1997
- *The USCG Corsair Fleet*, June/July 1999
- *The Munro Mystique*, November 1999
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- *After The Storm, Remembering Desert Storm 10 Years Later*, June/July 2001 — Ed.

A Special Note from the Director of Reserve

Each of us will always remember where we were and what we were doing when the tragic events of 11 September unfolded. I was attending a meeting of the Reserve Forces Policy Board about a mile from the Pentagon. Also in attendance were most of the senior leaders from all seven of the Armed Forces Reserve Components, along with several key staff members from the Department of Defense. We were in session when an airliner roared directly overhead at a very low altitude. Seconds later that same airliner slammed into the western side of the Pentagon. As with other events of that day, our meeting was immediately adjourned as Board members and guests scrambled to return to their various home units. While we were all stunned by this incident, almost everyone present agreed that it was only a matter of time before such an event occurred. Those of us in the defense community have long been aware of the potential threats imposed to our national security by surprise attacks from an enemy using non-traditional methods. Those of us in the Coast Guard were ready and responded immediately.

If there is bright spot in all of this tragedy, it is the way the American people joined together on a national level to demonstrate their mutual and overwhelming support for the victims and survivors, as well as to take immediate steps necessary to enhance national security. This is clearly evidenced by the ongoing, outstanding response and dedicated performance of our Coast Guard and Coast Guard Reserve. When the nation was confronted by the immediate need for securing our domestic port infrastructure, the Coast Guard was there. Exercising existing plans and the unique authorities granted to SECDOT, the Coast Guard Reserve surged immediately on 11 September, with up to 1100 members on duty by 14 September. By expanding the scope and OPTEMPO of our ongoing port security mission, our MSOs, Groups, and Activities were able to substantially improve the physical security of our ports and waterways within hours of the incident.

From all over the nation, Coast Guard Reserve response has, and continues to be, overwhelmingly enthusiastic. Members have left their families and civilian jobs to answer the call. As a result, today we have a formidable nationwide port security system in place. This could not have occurred if we didn't possess a strong reserve program and dedicated members.

As the President has stated, the task at hand will not be an easy one or be resolved quickly. We are in for a protracted campaign against a shadowy enemy well entrenched throughout the world. I challenge you to stay the course and know that we as a nation will prevail and our culture will endure. I'm proud of you, the Commandant and Secretary are proud of you, and the American people are proud and appreciative of your dedication to the Coast Guard and this nation. Semper Paratus!



R. Dennis Sirois
Rear Admiral, U. S. Coast Guard
Director of Reserve

“Our Coast Guard prides itself on the moral and practical value of our diverse workforce. We must all be saddened and disgusted by reports of attacks on mosques, Arab-Americans, or even communities frequented by our fellow citizens of Middle Eastern backgrounds...

...The Coast Guard [of today] is different than the one you knew before September 11th. But its values and traditions remain and will be admired long after all the buildings and monuments of today have turned to dust.

We are likely at the beginning of a long and difficult war. It is a war that began in terror. And though we will take careful and deliberate steps to action, we will fight in righteous anger and finish with a slow-burning ire.

We will do so bearing the fixed smile of fierce determination. We will soon understand what we can do, and with understanding will come commitment.

President Bush has said, "The course of this conflict is not yet known, yet its outcome is certain." And you - every one of you - will be part of the outcome.

Prepare yourselves. Be ready. Semper Paratus!"

- ADM James M. Loy

excerpts from a speech given at the Coast Guard Academy, Sept. 28, 2001



THE TERRORISM RESPONSE



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“I am emotionally moved at the overwhelming response of my fellow reservists, and the hours and conditions they are willing to endure.”

In August, I planned a trip LANTAREA to develop a Power Point presentation for the upcoming CO Conferences, which occur in the fall. This coincided with a meeting of the Reserve Forces Policy Board, and another meeting of the Naval Coastal Warfare work group addressing port security issues.

One topic I had picked for the presentation involved the changes to the COMLANTAREA 9700 OPLAN, specifically the appendix on Terrorism and Weapons of Mass Destruction Response Operations. Other topics included Reserve participation and RPAL realignment. I never made it to the Reserve Forces Policy Board or the NCW meeting because of the events that occurred in New York, Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C. on Sept. 11.

Feeling the shock and disbelief that many have described after the event, I felt an urgency to respond in some way, only to be frustrated by the ban on commercial aviation nationwide. VADM Thad Allen of LANTAREA called for a secure teleconference that afternoon. I traveled to Coast Guard Air Station Sacramento to participate, and learned of initial plans to respond to both the immediate contingency in New York, using Coast Guard resources (including reservists and auxiliarists), and to address the heightened Threat Condition imposed nationally. The same day, Secretary of Transportation Mineta authorized the immediate call up of the entire Coast Guard Selected Reserve.

On Friday, Sept. 14, the president authorized a partial mobilization of Reserve and National Guard personnel. The Secretary of Transportation authorized the recall of up to 5,000 Coast Guard Ready Reservists.

Since only military aircraft were allowed to fly, I was waitlisted for the first available flight going to the Washington, D.C. area. Although the Coast Guard and the Air Force were flying blood supplies during this period, most flights were headed to New York.

Fifty hours after the event, I was on a C141 headed to Andrews Air Force Base, just outside of Washington, D.C. The flight was hastily arranged for a courier, and the entire flight crew was Air Force Reserve. This is one of many stories about reservists responding to the call that would come my way in the next few days.

I checked in with the LANTAREA Crisis Action Center around midnight and received the first SITREP the next morning. By this time, two Port Security Units had been activated, Districts were involved in Reserve call

ups, and reservists were reporting to address increased security both within the ports and at Coast Guard facilities. Others received tasking for the Strike Teams and TRANSCOM. By the end of the first week, when this View is being written, there have been a total of 2,159 Coast Guard Reservists recalled to support traditional mission areas, and the mission that our Commandant, ADM James Loy, described as the “Foremost Mission,” port security. It was during this week that we also learned of two Coast Guard Reservists missing, and apparently lost, who were fulfilling their duties as police and firefighters at the World Trade Center on Sept. 11.

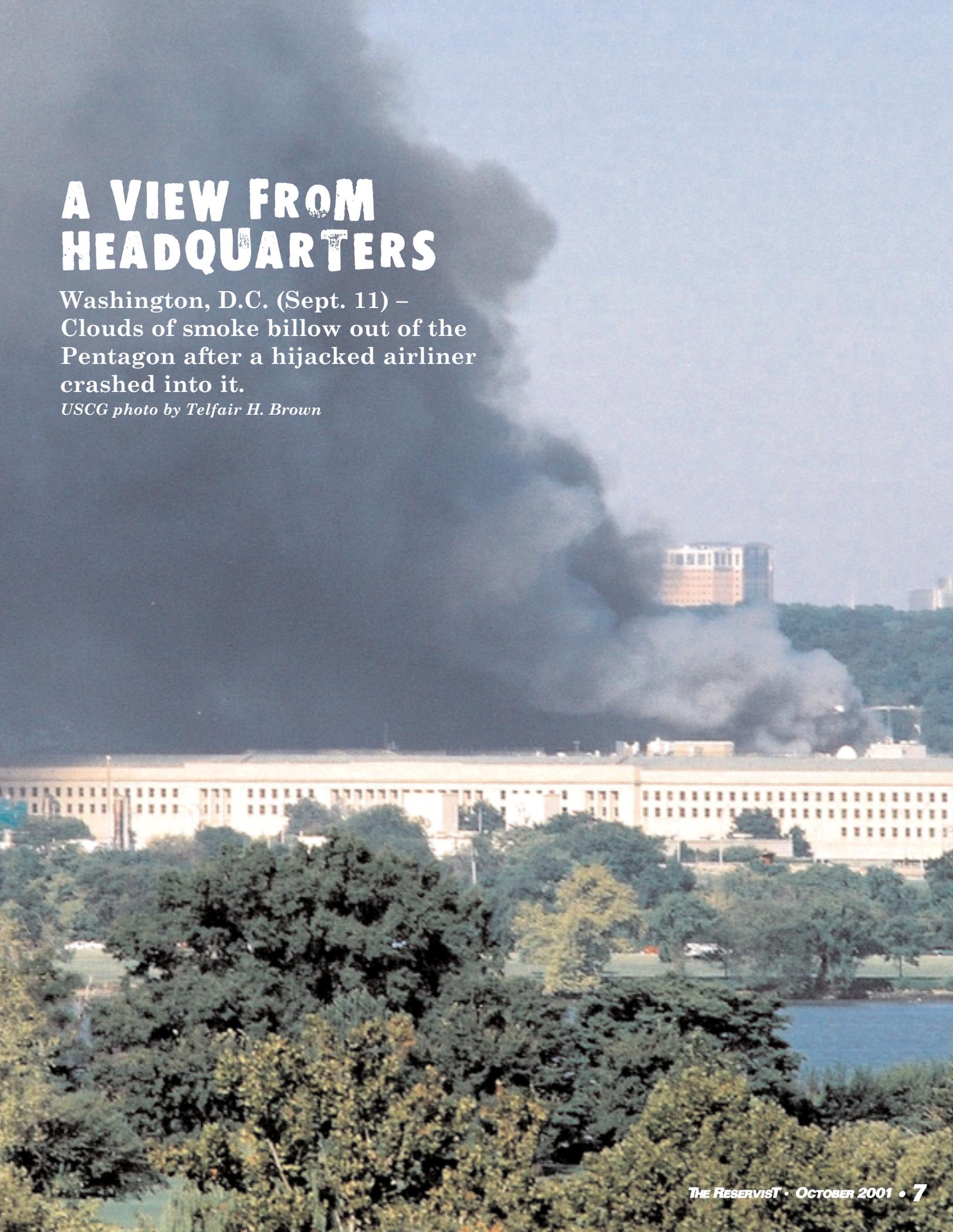
I have received many impressive reports of reservists in all aspects of response. RADM Richard Bennis, Commander of Activities New York, repeated daily that his response operations in New York harbor would be impossible without the Coast Guard Reserve. Nearly 500 reservists have been recalled, including PSU 305 and PSU 307, and assigned to the First District alone, with heavy concentrations in the New York City area. Every District Commander has recalled reservists to provide support.

While there is little time to pause for reflection, I receive reports daily of reservists offering to mobilize and demonstrate their devotion to duty. Many retired reservists have called offering their assistance and availability. I am emotionally moved at the overwhelming response of my fellow reservists, and the hours and conditions they are willing to endure. A word comes to mind that has not often been used in the recent past. That word is patriot, and there are many in our country’s Services.

As the next events unfold, I suspect that there will be continued reliance on our Reserve for critical missions throughout the Coast Guard. The challenges on family and employers will highlight the commitment at home and at work, and I hope that each of you who answer the call express our sincere gratitude to your colleagues and loved ones for their understanding and support.

It is uncertain as to what the future holds for us who wear the Coast Guard uniform. However, there is one certainty that has been, and will continue to be our trademark: unwavering dedication from all who serve in the Coast Guard Reserve.

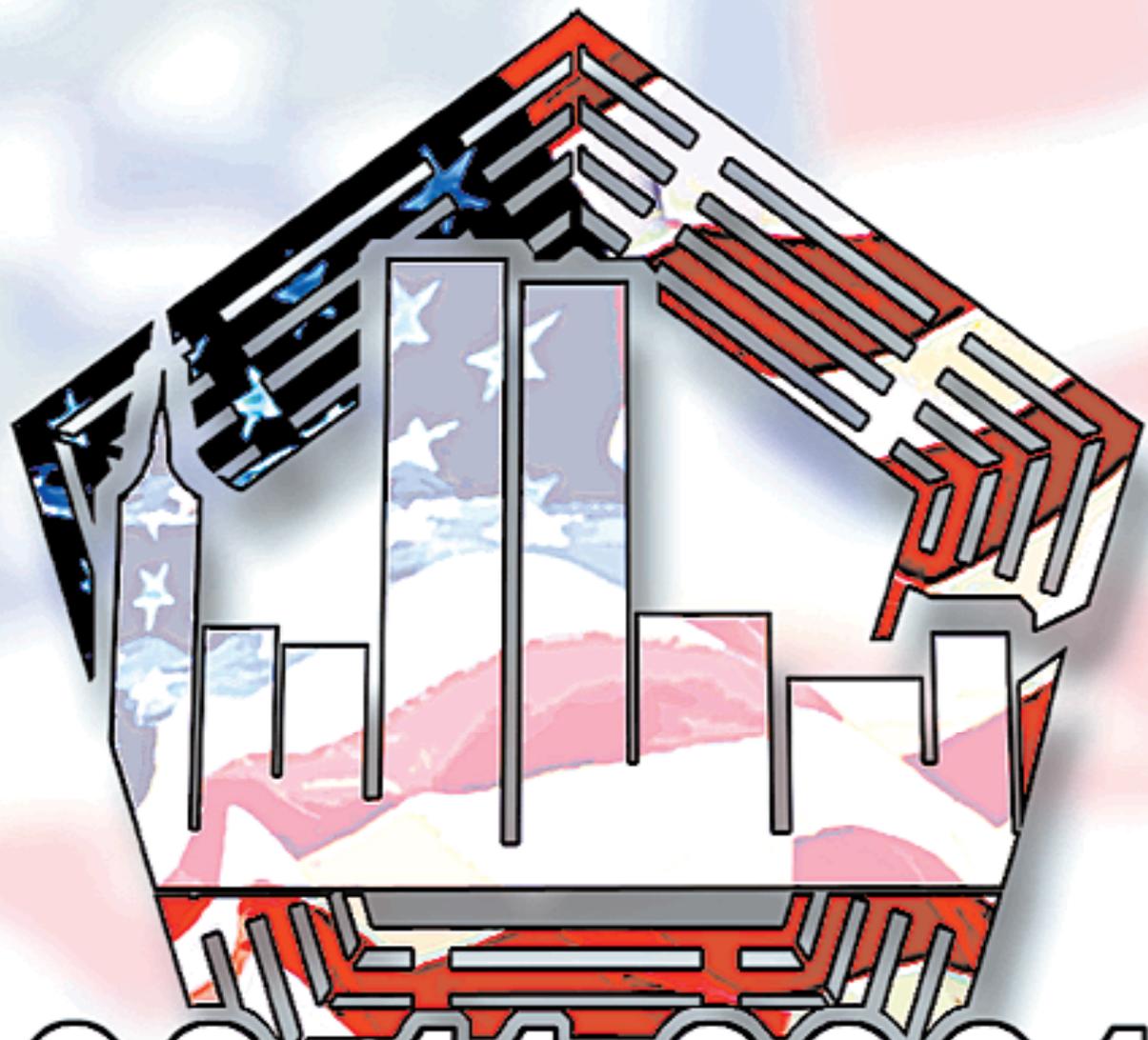
Semper Paratus.



A VIEW FROM HEADQUARTERS

Washington, D.C. (Sept. 11) –
Clouds of smoke billow out of the
Pentagon after a hijacked airliner
crashed into it.

USCG photo by Telfair H. Brown



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*“Tonight, we are a country awakened to danger
and called to defend freedom.*

*Our grief has turned to anger and anger to resolution.
Whether we bring our enemies to justice or bring justice to our
enemies, justice will be done.”*

*— President George W. Bush
From a speech to a Joint Session of Congress,
Sept. 20, 2001*

'GUARDING LIBERTY

In the wake of the World Trade Center disaster on Sept. 11, the Coast Guard is faced with the daunting task of keeping the port of New York secure and open for business. From the rows of petro-chemical facilities along the Kill Van Kull to the Nuclear Power Station on the Hudson River, the harbor has no shortage of vulnerable places where terrorists could strike.

The Statue of Liberty, itself a symbol of freedom and democracy for millions of Americans, reminds every Coast Guardsmen of how important their historic duty is: to stay eternally vigilant in protecting America's ports and coasts. An unprecedented concentration of Coast Guard assets has been deployed to carry out this mission.

Coast Guard cutters, many small boats from all over the First District, and Port Security Unit 305 from Fort Eustis, Va., are all contributing to the massive effort to keep the harbor secure and New York City up and running around the clock.

“You can never let your guard down and get complacent,” said SNBM Mike Walker, who is a tactical boat crewmen and reservist with PSU 305. “We check every vessel out. Nothing gets by us.”

Not only has Walker seen the devastation in lower Manhattan, he also responded after the attack on the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. where he is a firefighter. His port security unit was quickly mobilized shortly after the attack,

and Walker had to shift gears from fire fighting to working port security patrols underway in a small boat. The transition has not been easy on him.

“It disrupts and uproots you for a while. It isn't easy. I am a firefighter, and they were not exactly happy when I told them that I was leaving for New York,” Walker said. “But that's why I got in this unit. As soon as I joined, they had us sign the forms that said we were deployable.”

Walker's port security unit is just one of the numerous Coast Guard assets maintaining a high visibility presence in the harbor. Thousands of New York commuters use ferry service to get to work everyday. Throw in the many tugs and barges that service the port, and one begins to see how difficult it is to keep all this maritime traffic moving without compromising security.

MANAGING WATERWAYS, SUPPORTING RECOVERY

L TjG Bob Post, who works in the Activities New York Vessel Traffic Service Operations Center, said he was surprised how cooperative the maritime community has been after the attack.



A satellite image of the Pentagon taken after the attack on Sept. 11.
Official DOD photo.

A PERSONAL PENTAGON REMEMBRANCE

By CAPT Louis M. Farrell, USCGR

Ed's note: CAPT Farrell is the Coast Guard's Liaison to the DOD Reserve components, and works at the Pentagon for the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs. Here is his personal account from Sept. 11, the day a hijacked jetliner plunged into the western side of the building.

About three weeks before a hijacked airliner hit the Pentagon, my entire office, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs, worked in part of the area hit. Many of us would have been killed had we not been moved to our new location. We moved so that work could begin on renovating the area where we worked.

I never heard the plane hit. I was on the phone with my wife, who was filling me in on the news coverage of the World Trade Center. Earlier, when we first heard that two planes had hit the WTC, several of us commented how easy it would be for a plane to hit us in the Pentagon since they fly over us all day long. A few minutes later, while I was on the phone, we were told to evacuate immediately.

When I got out of the building, I ran to the parking lot with the rest of the workers. But we kept running right through the lot because we felt the terrorists probably placed car bombs in the lot to kill those fleeing the building.

It took me five hours to get home, via the Metro to Springfield, Va., then a commuter bus to a commuter lot near my home. The bus was loaded with Pentagon workers, some crying, others just quiet with disbelief, yet everyone was so kind, nice, and respectful to everyone else. I have never seen it like that. The bus driver let lots of people on for free, and he agreed to drive all over the suburbs to get them home.

It was unbelievable.

A few days later, I heard an Army colonel crying in the cubicle of my boss. My boss had tried for years to get this colonel, his friend, to stop smoking. The colonel had reduced his consumption to two cigarettes per day. On Tuesday, Sept. 11, he went down in the morning to the center court of the Pentagon to take his first smoke. While he was in the court, the plane hit, killing 21 of his fellow workers. He was crying uncontrollably, saying he almost felt guilty that he survived because he had gone out to smoke.

All in all, I and my fellow workers feel truly blessed by God that we moved, and that the terrorists did not hit our area. We have all kept the families and those killed in our prayers.

"It's pretty amazing how well everyone works together when there is a crisis like this," said Post. "Normally these companies are competing against each other, but everybody came together to help each other out. That's impressive."

Post said life in the harbor is a lot different from what it used to be.

Normally, about 140 commercial vessels enter New York every day. Now all these vessels must be boarded and inspected by armed Coast Guard boarding teams. A certified harbor pilot must be on board commercial vessels entering the port, two tugs are required to escort tankers or freighters to their berths, and no ship can dock until its berth is ready to receive it. All ferryboats now must have armed, uniformed security guards on board. A "No-Wake" zone has been established around the lower tip of Manhattan.

RADM Richard E. Bennis, Captain of the Port New York/New Jersey, said these safety restrictions had to be in place for the harbor's re-opening on Sept. 13.

"I have ordered these safety precautions to not only ensure port integrity, but to also provide for the safe passage of each merchant vessel and every sailor," said Bennis.

Not only is the Coast Guard managing New York's waterways, it is also directly involved with supporting the recovery effort at Ground Zero. The Atlantic Strike Team (AST), which typically deploys after major pollution incidents, is here to do decontamination screening of the relief and rescue workers in the financial district.

Now a hazardous waste site, the World Trade Center is a mountainous pile of dusty wreckage that makes relief efforts difficult. Strike Team members have set up a decontamination line for workers to go through as they leave their shifts, which will ensure hazardous material and excess dust are not allowed to leave the area. The Strike Team has also been conducting air-monitoring samples around surrounding office buildings. When the equipment readings show safe levels, technicians are allowed temporary access to their office to remove hard drives and/or back up computer systems.

"We're proud to be participating in restoring lower Manhattan to normal operations," said CDR Gail Kulisch, AST commanding officer.

With all these extraordinary measures carried out, the Coast Guard still maintains its normal peacetime missions of search and rescue, maritime law enforcement, environmental protection and aids to navigation.

“The Coast Guard is always doing something,” Post said amidst a flurry of activity in the operations center. Post noted that the World Trade Center towers used to show up easily on various monitors in the operations center. “Now the scenery has completely changed. No matter how many times I crossed the Verrazano Bridge, the towers were amazing to look at. Now it’s not the same city.”

EVACUATING NEW YORKERS

An estimated one million New Yorkers were evacuated by sea under the direction of the Coast Guard after two hijacked jetliners were flown into the World Trade Center towers. Dozens of commercial tugs, ferries, police and fire boats, local mariners and Coast Guard boats and cutters, including the 175-foot buoy tender *Katherine Walker*, began a mass evacuation of people off Manhattan within minutes of the incident Sept. 11. The Coast Guard continues to provide logistical support and port vessel control through the Captain of the Port.

Commercial vessel traffic continues to flow into the Port of New York, though additional reporting requirements and approval are required for transit through an emergency response security zone in the Hudson River below the Holland Tunnel and north of the Statue of Liberty.

Shortly thereafter, an additional 41 Coast Guard law enforcement officers arrived in New York City from the Coast Guard’s Ninth District, based in Cleveland, the Eighth District, based in New Orleans and the Fifth District, based in Portsmouth.

Approximately 1,600 active duty, reserve and civilian Coast Guard men and women worked around the clock in New York Harbor to support FEMA and New York City officials with rescue efforts and to ensure the safety and security of the port.

About 40 Coast Guard cutters and boats patrolled and dozens of Coast Guard Auxiliary vessels, owned and operated by the Coast Guard’s volunteer arm, were also on the water assisting with personnel transfers and providing back-up search and rescue support.

RESERVE CALL-UP

The president has authorized the involuntary recall to active duty of Coast Guard Reservists for emergency duty in response to the attacks. As of late September, the Coast Guard had recalled more than 2,600 reservists throughout the nation, primarily to support enhanced Coast Guard security operations on both coasts and in the Gulf of Mexico.

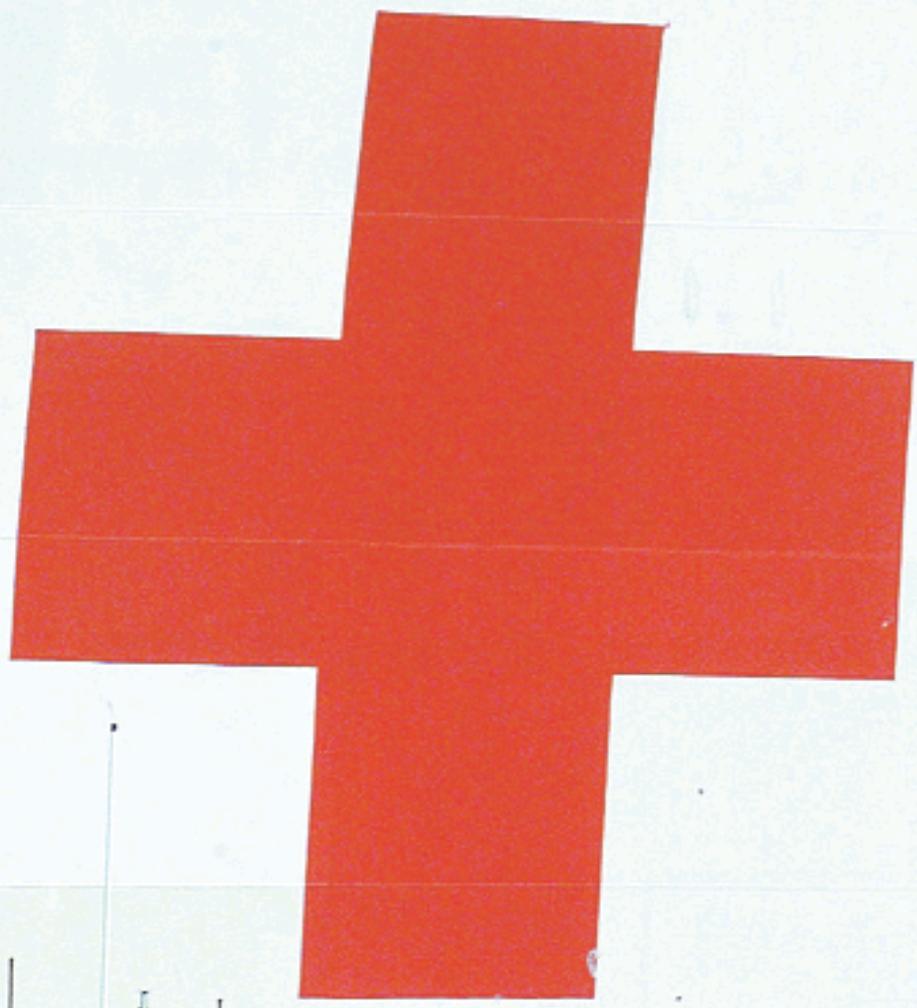
After the attack in New York, the United States Coast Guard immediately activated reservists to support the emergency operations in New York harbor. Hundreds of reservists from all over the tri-state area were called to duty to assist their units the day after the attack. Executives, New York City police and firefighters, teachers and attorneys were just a few of the reservists that reported in for operation “Guarding Liberty.”

Public Affairs reservists working along with their active duty counterparts, performed round the clock operations supplying local, national and the international media with periodic updates concerning Coast Guard operations for the Port of New York. The reservists responded within hours of the attack to assist and have been on duty at the office ever since. The quick response and additional help has given the public affairs office the much needed support in the aftermath of the attack.

Coast Guard waterborne patrols have been significantly increased since the attack and additional port security measures have been put in place by the respective Coast Guard Captains of the Port. This includes every major port and waterway such as the Great Lakes, East Coast, West Coast, Gulf Coast, Hawaii, Guam, Puerto Rico and along the navigable inland rivers and waterways throughout the country.

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NEW YORK IN TURMOIL: A PERSONAL ACCOUNT

By CDR Edward P. Seebald, USCG

CDR Seebald is Director of D1 Auxiliary South in lower Manhattan, located at the Coast Guard's Battery Park Building. Here is his personal account the day two hijacked jetliners plunged into the World Trade Center twin towers — Sept. 11, 2001. RADM Rick Larrabee mentioned about halfway through this story was Director of Reserve and Training from 1994-97.

It started out as a beautiful day in New York City. The harbor was flat, with zero humidity, and it was sunny. While working in my office about 9 a.m., I heard a bang and someone screaming. I was so used to the Staten Island Ferry banging into the slip next door, I stuck my head out of the window and saw the ferry, and thought someone fell between the ship and the pier. I heard another scream, and went out into my office. One of my petty officers said, "they're all dead, they're coming after us!"

We calmed her in my office and I looked up and saw the towers on fire and smoking. I contacted all the chiefs in the buildings and locked it down. Five minutes later, I heard another howl and the words, "they are falling down!" I got everyone in the building down in the conference room, some of the folks were starting to lose it so we buddied them up, and I told everyone that no one is going anywhere until things settle down. We sealed the front of the building, with the help of some great chiefs and auxiliaryists that helped take control.

When the two towers came down, the ash was like that in films about Mount St. Helens or after the bomb went off at Hiroshima. People on lower Manhattan were starting to panic and a crowd of about 2,000 were packed near the Battery and Staten Island ferry terminal. When the second tower went down, people could not breathe because of the ash cloud. Since all access in and out of the city was closed, people started trying to kick in the front door of the Battery Park Building and climbing the razor wire at the gate. People actually were jumping in the water and climbing along the sea wall to try and escape the ash cloud.

I moved all people in the building to the third floor and locked down floors one and two. I went to my office and took all of my clean tee-shirts and underwear. We cut them up and passed them out through the gate for people to put over their faces, and we put a hose out the gate for water and it was much appreciated.

Then Liberty 4, the Liberty Island boat, started dumping people on the pier. I made my way to the main gate. And then along came a guy who looked like a snow man. I asked myself, "who is this guy," and then asked him, "Sir, can I see some ID?"

He pulled off his white breathing mask, dusted off his face, and then I realized it was RADM Rick Larrabee, my old boss. I knew his offices were in Trade Tower One because he is Port Commerce Director of the Port

Authority of New York. He took a shower in his old office and I gave him some shorts and a sweatshirt. When the admiral told me what happened, I realized he was lucky to be standing in front of me.

Larrabee was in Tower One when the first plane hit — he was on the 62nd floor and they evacuated down the stairs and moved over to the hotel in 2. When 2 collapsed, he said that all he could see was a light and a firefighter saying follow me. They got outside and still could not see anything because of the dust. He made his way down to the Battery and that is where I checked his ID. At that point, we didn't know how many bombs were about the city. Eventually, we sent RADM Larrabee over to his Port Authority's Crisis Action Center in New Jersey.

Outside the wind shifted, the Staten Island ferry started taking off some of the people and we only had one injured bleeding civilian that we had to take of. After helping a German couple who had an infant and small child, a boat pulled up to the pier and they said they had donated supplies to give but no one would take them. So, we loaded our vans, went to ground zero and started distributing food and ice to the firefighters and the police.

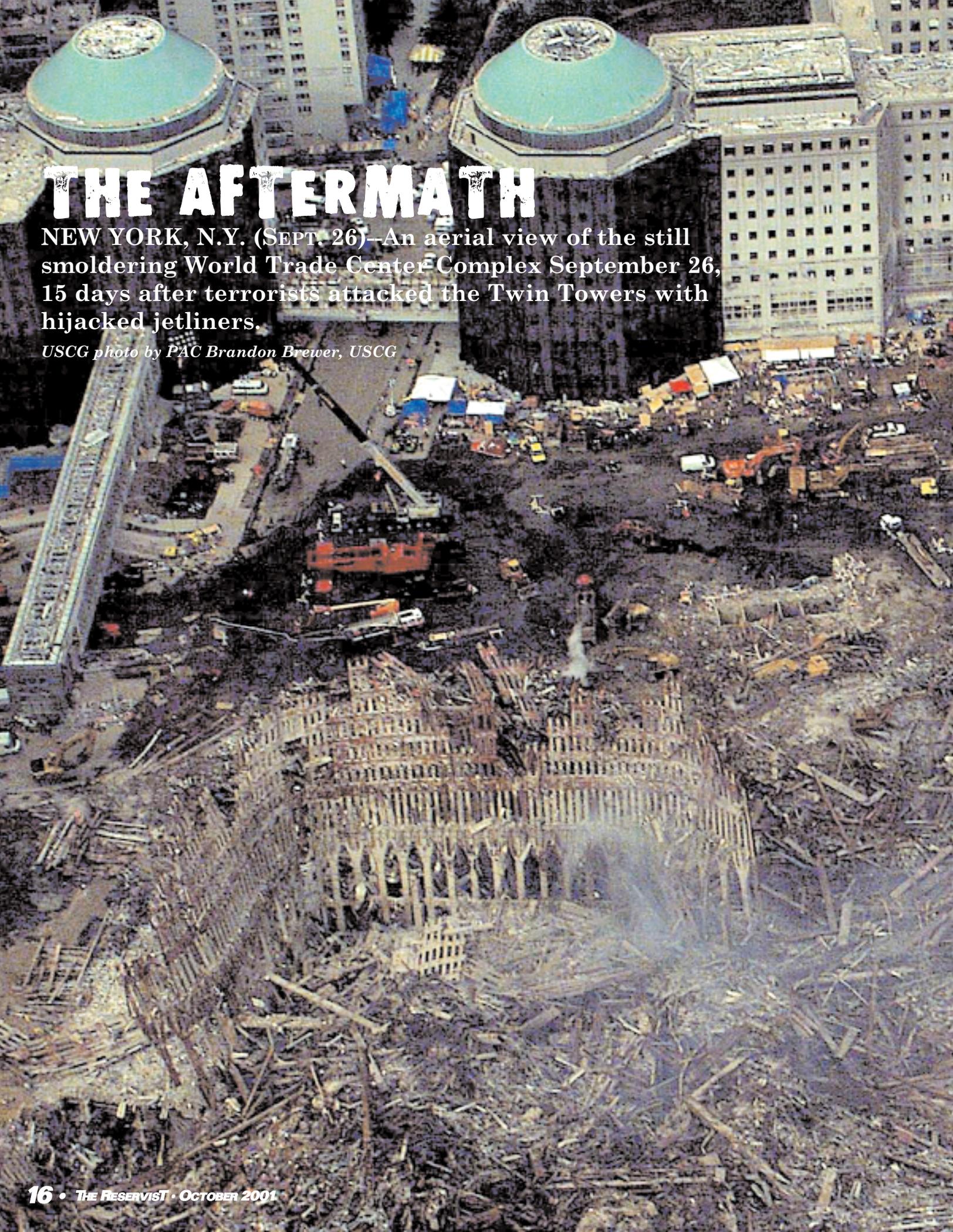
At one point, we drove through the "combat zone," with face masks and water in tow. Now you have to kind of imagine nighttime in Manhattan with no lights. We went up Broadway with dust two inches deep and paper everywhere. It was a ghost town, and as we pulled in front of Trinity Church, we got blocked and we handed out six packs of water to firefighters. I looked to my left and on the tombstones of Trinity, the dust was three to six inches deep like snow. But this was eerie...we worked our way down past the Alexander Hamilton's grave (founder of the Revenue Cutter Service) and I just looked at it and nodded. I told myself we were doing the right thing.

At that point, CWO Jeff Bradbury was driving, and had only been in NYC for less than two weeks. At one point, there were so many hoses feeding the firefighters that we had to stop.

There were millions of pieces of paper all over lower Manhattan, where 50,000 people worked and visited the Trade Towers every day. Bradbury picked up a couple of pieces of paper, he read the paper, and it was someone's law suit. Standing in about six inches of ash and cement dust, the place was scary. It looked like a scene from that Bruce Willis movie about the Army taking over New York — there were hundreds of cops everywhere.

We finally made it back to the Battery Park Building. It was 2:30 in the morning when I wrote this but I felt that I had to give you a picture of my world on this day that will be seared into our hearts, lives and history. I am exhausted but I know that my friends are safe, yet hurting, and at least I will live to fight another day. I love you all, pray for the survivors, and thank God my family is safe. The real shock will hit the world later today.





THE AFTERMATH

NEW YORK, N.Y. (SEPT. 26)—An aerial view of the still smoldering World Trade Center Complex September 26, 15 days after terrorists attacked the Twin Towers with hijacked jetliners.

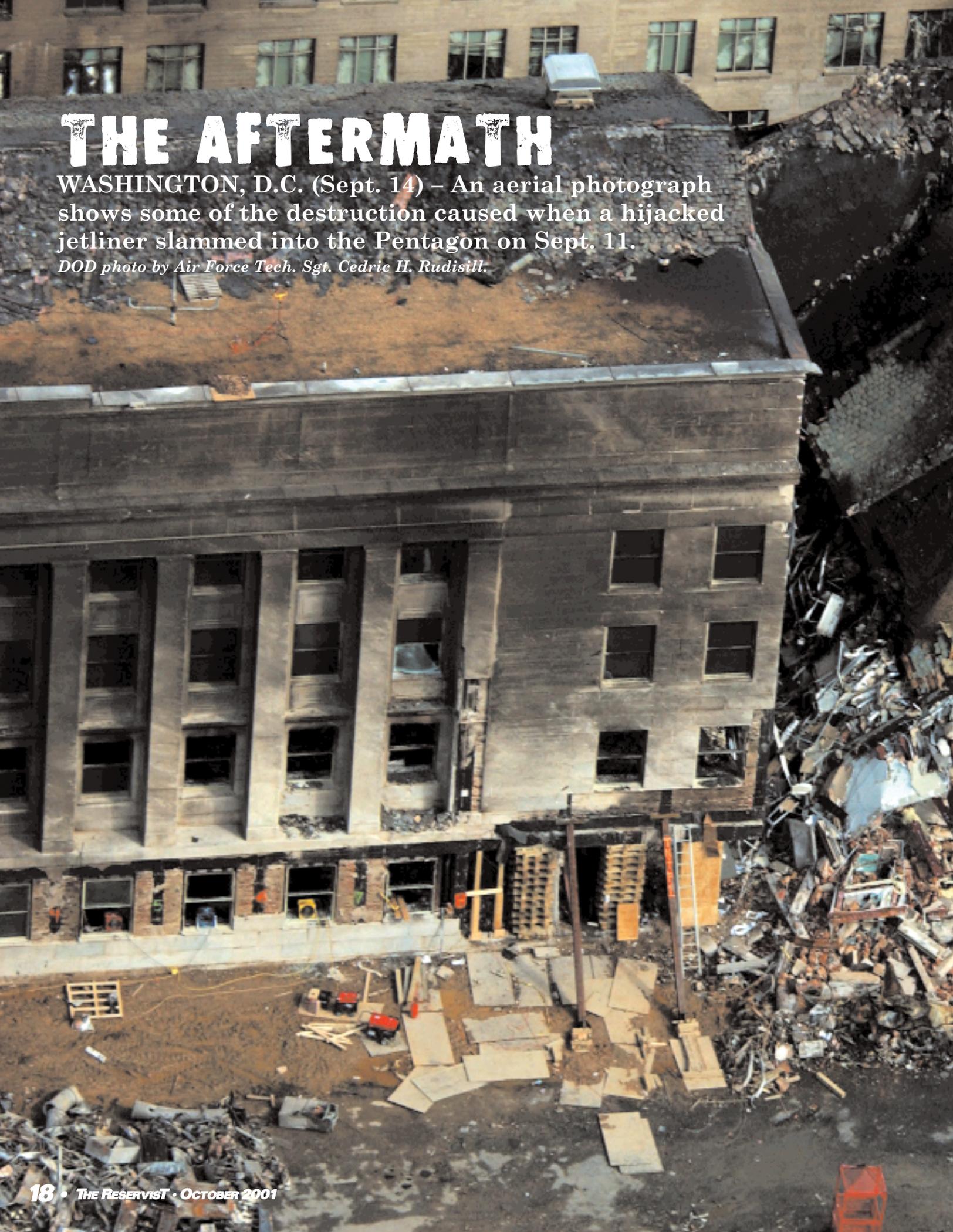
USCG photo by PAC Brandon Brewer, USCG



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WASHINGTON, D.C. (Sept. 14) – An aerial photograph shows some of the destruction caused when a hijacked jetliner slammed into the Pentagon on Sept. 11.

DOD photo by Air Force Tech. Sgt. Cedric H. Rudisill.







PATROLLING NY HARBOR

NEW YORK, New York (Sept. 26)—A Coast Guard Port Security Unit 305 boat crew, from Fort Eustis, Va., patrols the Hudson River Sept. 26. Members from the Port Security Units, mostly Coast Guard Reservists, were deployed to New York City to provide on-water security after the World Trade Center attack Sept. 11. *USCG photo by PAC Brandon Brewer, USCG*

PATROLLING THE POTOMAC

By Christine C. Iwan

Reprinted from *The Alexandria (Va.) Journal*, Sept. 20, 2001

Aboard the *CGC Albacore* on Sept. 19, four enlisted personnel standing in head-to-toe "battle dress," controlled two .50-caliber machine guns pointed across the Potomac River, ready to fire.

The ship is one of the two major Coast Guard cutters brought to patrol the Potomac's waters since the Sept. 11 terrorist attack on the Pentagon.

A secured area of the river between the Woodrow Wilson and Key bridges was closed to traffic until Sept. 16, when it was reopened to limited water travel. Saddened by the loss and destruction at the Pentagon and World Trade Center in New York, the cutter's 10 crewmembers indicated they are thankful to be helping in some way.

MK2 Evan Strickland is assigned to *Albacore*, which usually is based in Norfolk, Va. He said the cutter raced to Washington, D.C., shortly after the attacks, and by midnight that day, all civilian water traffic had ceased between the two bridges, *Albacore* Commanding Officer LT Pete Niles said.

"I didn't know what to expect," said Strickland. "The Pentagon was still smoking when we got up here. It was pretty crazy."

The Coast Guard has called in over 2,000 reservists nationally to help patrol the nation's ports, said CDR Jim McPherson, a spokesman for the Coast Guard. On the Potomac, the Coast Guard has boarded every boat that passes into the secured area near the District and other boats within that space, he said. The crews check for the boaters' safety, but their main objective is to prevent any harm to the White House, the Capitol, other government buildings and the monuments.

About 100 boats have been boarded so far and no evidence or terrorism has been detected, McPherson said. Vessel traffic has been light since the attack, he said.

During patrol Sept. 19, *Albacore* made a routine stop of boater Archie DeMetro, of Washington. He gladly let the men board his boat, happy they are patrolling the waters.

Under existing restrictions, vessels are permitted to move within the security zone between 5:30 a.m. and 7 p.m., McPherson said. Certain exceptions have been made for dinner cruises, which typically are night trips, he said.

Niles said his crew has been working around the clock, sleeping for only a few hours each night. Local, state, and federal agencies requested *Albacore's* presence on the Potomac, along with a second large Coast Guard cutter, *Frank Drew*, out of Portsmouth, Va., and a Coast Guard Jayhawk helicopter from North Carolina. This is the largest Coast Guard presence ever seen on the Potomac, McPherson said.

Niles said these patrols are part of a "heightened state of awareness."

"The Coast Guard is committed to safety, not just in this area, but the nation," he said.

Albacore's crew members do not know when they will return home or when the nation's waterways will return to normal.

"I'm glad to be doing my part," Strickland said. "It's a beautiful area, there's no doubt about that. I wish I was here under normal circumstances."

Ed's note: CGC Albacore and CGC Frank Drew were relieved by CGC James Rankin on Sept. 22.

MISSING IN ACTION



• MK1 Jeffrey A. Palazzo, USCGR, 33, of Staten Island, N.Y., Sept. 11, 2001, a member of the Coast Guard Reserve since September 1988 and drills at Station New York. He is a member of the New York Fire Department Rescue Unit 5.



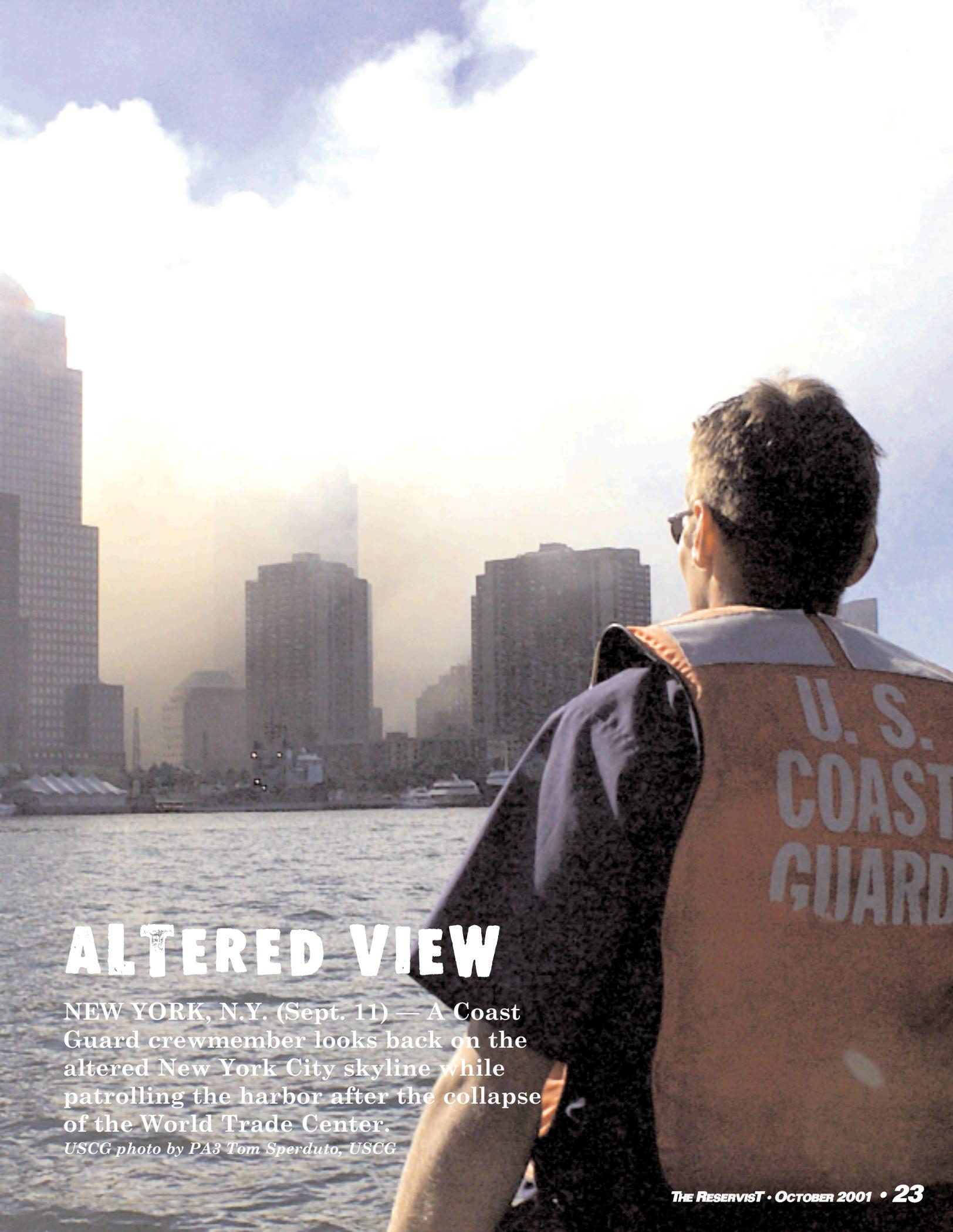
• PS2 Vincent Gabriel Danz, USCGR, 38, of Farmingdale, N.Y., Sept. 11, 2001, a member of the Coast Guard Reserve since October 1983 and serves at Activities New York. He is a Police Officer in the Special Operations Division, Emergency Services Unit of the New York Police Department.



Both were participating in rescue efforts at the World Trade Center when it collapsed.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the families of these, our fellow Coast Guard Reservists.





ALTERED VIEW

NEW YORK, N.Y. (Sept. 11) — A Coast Guard crewmember looks back on the altered New York City skyline while patrolling the harbor after the collapse of the World Trade Center.

USCG photo by PA3 Tom Sperduto, USCG

IN BRIEF

• ANNUAL SCREENING QUESTIONNAIRE (ASQ)

— The ASQ is making a comeback. You will receive only one e-mail reminder or paper copy. You can obtain the form on the Reserve Web site (www.uscg.mil/reserve), or fill it out in CGHRMS (see CGHRMS brief below), or you will receive a copy in the mail. For more info, contact LCDR Darrell Prather, E-mail: dprather@hrsic.uscg.mil

• CGHRMS PERSONNEL INFO SYSTEMS

— Coast Guard Human Resources Service and Information Center (HRSIC) is replacing the Coast Guard's personnel information system with software from one of the industry's leading developers, PeopleSoft. The system is called Coast Guard Human Resource Management System (CGHRMS, pronounced C-germs). In the next two years, all of Team Coast Guard will be in the same personnel system, making workforce component changes much easier than today. One big issue is Assignment Data Cards (ADCs, aka dream sheets), which were e-ADC (electronic ADCs) and are now e-Resumes. The e-Resume process is how you can tell CGHRMS your assignment preferences and your e-mail address to get TDY and PCS orders and other CG personnel information sent to you. Another big feature is self-service, where members can update a growing list of personnel information. Look for more info in ALCOASTS, the Reserve Web site and on HRSIC's Web site (www.uscg.mil/hq/hrsic). For now, you can only access CGHRMS from the INTRANet, or from a CG terminal. Security measures are currently being worked on for Internet access. For more information, contact LCDR Darrell Prather, E-mail: dprather@hrsic.uscg.mil. The CGHRMS INTRANet site is: <http://cghrms.osc.uscg.mil>

• **CGHRMS E-MAIL** — HRSIC needs your e-mail address in CGHRMS to reduce labor and mailing costs. You can use any e-mail address. Many administrative processes in CGHRMS will begin with an e-mail to you. Please take a moment to update your contact information (and other information) in CGHRMS. For more information, contact LCDR Darrell Prather, E-mail: dprather@hrsic.uscg.mil

• **FAMILY SGLI COVERAGE** — Effective Nov. 1, 2001, the spouse and children of any member who has SGLI coverage will **automatically** be included in the SGLI program. This came about with passage of the Veterans' Survival Benefits Improvement Act of 2001 (PL 107-14). Children will be covered for \$10,000 and spouses for up to \$100,000. Children coverage is free to the member and as a result cannot be cancelled by the member. Spouse coverage is not free and can be cancelled by the member. Also, the amount of spouse coverage cannot exceed the amount selected for the member. Monthly rates are based on your spouse's birth date as follows:

<u>Spouses Age</u>	<u>Monthly Cost for \$100,000 Coverage</u>
Under 35	\$9.00
35-44	\$13.00
45-49	\$20.00
50-54	\$32.00
55 & older	\$55.00

The Coast Guard member will pay their first premium in November when the coverage goes into effect. **Members who do not want SGLI coverage for their spouse and want**

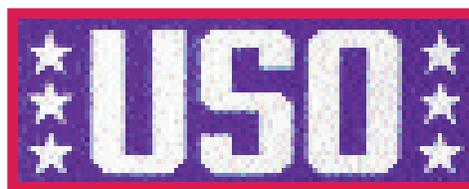
to avoid paying any premium may immediately cancel the coverage by completing form SGLV-8286A and submit it to their PERSRU. Members can get the latest Family SGLI coverage information by going to the VA Web site at: www.insurance.va.gov/sglivgli/sglifam.htm or call 1-800-419-1473.

• **JOINT RATING REVIEW** — You'll soon be hearing more about new ratings. For more info, check out the Joint Rating Review Web site: <http://www.uscg.mil/HQ/G-W/JRR/>

• **SEEKING PS RATING BADGE HISTORY** — Over the years, the PS rating badge has changed several times. However, dates of each PS rating badge are not well documented. If any one has any historical information on this, please contact CWO Don Allen at Training Center Yorktown, Port Ops School, Hamilton Hall #108, Yorktown, VA 23690-5000; Phone: 757-856-2541; E-mail: dallen@tcyorktown.uscg.mil

• **THRIFT SAVINGS PLAN PACKAGES** — Each active duty and reserve member of the Coast Guard should have received a Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) information package before Oct. 9, 2001. This package will contain a cover letter, sign-up form and booklet titled *Summary of the Thrift Savings Plan for the Uniformed Services*. When a member decides to participate in the TSP, all they need do is complete the TSP-U-1 form (in the package or at www.tsp.gov), make two copies and mail the original to HRSIC(CST), 444 SE Quincy Street, Topeka, KS 66683. Keep a copy in your files. HRSIC will notify the National Finance Center in New Orleans that the member is now a TSP participant and the NFC will send the member a "Welcome Aboard" package. At that point, the member can tell the NFC what specific fund(s) they want their money placed in.

• **UNITED SERVICES ORGANIZATION** — United Services Organization (USO), was formed in 1941 in response to a request from President Franklin D. Roosevelt for the well-being of our military. The USO, celebrating its 60th birthday this year, is a non-profit organization that depends



on donations and the United Way to keep USO centers open. The USO serves U.S. soldiers, sailors, airmen, marines, including

Coast Guard personnel and their families. USO offers emergency service and transportation, financial aid, family outreach programs, transportation, counseling and emergency shelter. USO centers are a place for military members and their families to relax and use the facilities that include telephones, computers, maps, TV, snacks, and briefings on local attractions. USO has 120 centers stateside and overseas. For information, contact Libby Porter Kendrick, USO of Hampton Roads; Phone: 757-827-1063; E-mail: USOHAMPTRD@aol.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

• COAST GUARD RESERVE 60TH BIRTHDAY

— Is being commemorated across the nation all year long! Send us stories and photos from your local event and we'll publish them in "Spirit of the Sixtieth" throughout 2001.

NOVEMBER 2001

• **VETERANS DAY WREATHLAYING** — Fifth annual at Coast Guard Monument (Tampa/Seneca Memorial) on Coast Guard Hill, Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va., Sunday, Nov. 11, 12:45 p.m. Contact John Thorne, Commandant (G-IPA-3); Phone: 202-267-0938; E-mail: jthorne@comdt.uscg.mil. The D.C. Chapter of the Chief Petty Officers Association will be placing flags on USCG graves at Arlington on Saturday, Nov. 10 at 10 a.m. For more info, send e-mail to: uscgflags@yahoo.com

• COAST GUARD BALL

— Saturday, Nov. 17, 6 p.m., at the Crystal Gateway Marriott, 1700 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA 22202. For hotel reservations, call 703-920-3230. For more info, contact Wayne Rardon, Commandant(G-SCE-2); Phone: 202-267-1335; E-mail: wardon@comdt.uscg.mil

• **SPARS 59TH BIRTHDAY** — The Women's Reserve (SPARS) was formed Nov. 23, 1942. 2002 will mark the SPARs 60th anniversary year.

DECEMBER 2001

• PEARL HARBOR DAY 60TH CEREMONY —

Friday, Dec. 7, 11:55 a.m. aboard *CGC Taney*, at Pier 5,

Pratt Street in Baltimore's Inner Harbor. Sponsored by Baltimore's Maritime Museum Living Classrooms Foundation. Contact Mr. Paul Cora, 802. S. Caroline St., Baltimore, MD 21231; Phone: 410-396-3453; E-mail: national-historicseaport@erols.com; Web: www.baltomaritimemuseum.org

JANUARY 2002

• **ROA MID-WINTER CONFERENCE** — Jan. 20-23, in Washington, D.C. Contact ROA, One Constitution Ave., N.E., Washington, D.C. 20002; Phone: 202-479-2200; Web: www.roa.org



USCG photo

The fifth annual Veterans Day wreathlaying at Arlington National Cemetery is set for Nov. 11 at the Tampa Memorial on Coast Guard Hill.

REUNIONS

• **RESERVE UNIT ALTOONA** — Former members of Reserve Unit Altoona Pa. are interested in contacting all former members to form an association to promote the USCG and its missions. Contact: CDR William Erbeck, USCGR (ret.), RR 5 Box 186, Tyrone, PA 16686-9743; Phone: 814-684-1327; E-mail: WilliamErbeck@msn.com

• RESERVE UNIT TRAVERSE CITY —

Is updating its roster for an upcoming reunion. Please contact HSC P.L. Scharf, USCGR(ret.), 4252 N. Five Mile Road, Williamsburg, MI 49690; E-mail: hscpat@juno.com

APRIL 2002

• **CGC ROCKAWAY (WAVP-377)** — April 26-28; first-ever reunion of Rockaway (WAVP-377, previously AVP-29), at Holiday Inn Universal, Orlando, Fla. For details, check the Rockaway Web site at: www.cccnews.net/rockaway or contact Chief Harris; Phone: 602-274-8980; E-mail: tio@inficad.com

MAY 2002

• **CGC CAMPBELL (W-32/W-909) ASSOCIATION** — May 15-18, 17th annual, at Radisson Hotel, Charleston, S.C. Contact: James Kelly, CGC Campbell Assoc., 40 Lisa Lane, Uncasville, CT 06382; Phone: 860-848-1160; E-mail: jkelly@uconnect.net

Ed's note: The Reservist received quite a few e-letters from reservists around the nation following the Attack on America, Sept. 11, 2001. Here are some of them:

THANKS FROM A NEW YORKER

I just wanted to say thank you to the Coasties at the Coast Guard's Battery Park Building for all of their support during this tragic time. I was directly effected by the terrorist attack and that was the first place that I ran on that horrible day. Even though my life has drastically changed, I found a new family in my Coastie buddies.

Thank you to PAC Brandon Brewer, PA3 Mike Hvozda, PAC Robert Laura, PAC Thomas Staats, PA2 William Rives, PA3 Frank Bari, LCDR Martha LaGuardia and James McGranchan, of Activities New York Public Affairs. Thank you so much for all your help during this trying time.

— PAC Marguerite DeMartino, USCGR
Staten Island, N.Y.

SUPPORT FROM ACTIVE COMMAND

As you know, PSU 305 is deployed to New York City. I have been in the USCGR 28 years, and I have never in my entire career seen so much support from the Active Duty command. They cater to us like we are some special beings. Here at Activities New York and at ANT New York in Bayonne, N.J., we never use the words "I need" — it is there for us. My security team even got a refrigerator and microwave right next to the gate in N.J., so that we could have cold drinks at all times. One day, we ordered two pizzas for lunch from a vendor and he would not take our money. Instead, he thanked us for what we are doing. One morning, on our way to New Jersey, we stopped at a doughnut shop to get coffee and everyone there, including customers, came over to shake hands with us. The only thing missing is our spouses.

Coming here is like a homecoming. I have met so many of my friends in the Coast Guard family, people that at one time or another I have served with. My old friends PSCM Roger Dames and PSCS Mike Kirk just don't stop offering assistance if we need it. My friends, this is the U.S. Coast Guard that we all dream about. Best regards to all.

— PSCM Johannes (Hans) Verhaeg, USCGR
PSU 305, Fort Eustis, Va.

A WHOLE NEW BALLGAME

In 1983/84, I was on sabbatical leave from my teaching job and accepted SADT orders with the Historian at Coast Guard Headquarters. One day, the Historian asked me to accompany him to The Pentagon. I remember being awed by the visit to The Pentagon. Then, during two weeks at OPSAIL 2000, I had the opportunity to go up on the roof of the World Trade Center (the tower without the antenna) to take some photos and stayed up there several hours. I still cannot put into words how I really feel about what happened — I am still too numb. But then I just reread the edition on looking back 10 years ago at Desert Storm. The remarks of RADM Riker about terrorism are striking. We will make it through this, but it's a whole new ballgame from now on.

— PAC Ron Cabral, USCGR(ret.)
Concord, Calif.

DESERT STORM: TEN YEARS LATER!

Just wanted to pass along my congratulations on an exceptional June/July 2001 edition of *The Reservist* (Desert Storm, Ten Years Later). I noted on page 16 the "Ed's note" that loadouts also occurred in Bayonne, N.J. and Norfolk, Va. but no report was filed with *The Reservist* on their activities during the conflict.

Not wanting to neglect the dedicated men and woman who served so diligently in New York under some of the harshest weather conditions the winter of 1991 could throw their way, I've taken the following dates and numbers from my OER for that period. At the time I was a lieutenant and the senior Reserve officer activated to serve within Group/COTP New York as the Port Security Officer for the Port of New York.

USCG Group/Captain of the Port New York was augmented by two teams of activated reservists. The first team was composed of 52 reservists who augmented Station New York in enforcing the Safety/Security zones around Military Ocean Terminal Bayonne, N.J. between January and June 1991. The second team was comprised of 12 reservists who fleshed out the Explosive Load Teams at Naval Weapons Station, Earle, N.J. They supervised the break bulk loadout of the Ready Reserve Fleet vessels. Between January and March 1991, they supervised the outload of 44 million short tons of explosives, and once all CGR personnel were released from active duty in June 1991, they were retained on active duty until November 1991 to supervise the off load of an even greater amount of munitions back at Earle.

Bravo Zulu to the reservists who served during Desert Shield/Storm within Group/COTP New York.

— CDR John J. Marks, USCGR
Easton, Pa.

THANK YOU, COAST GUARD!

On Aug. 12, 2000, a massive storm dropped 18.75 inches of rain on northern New Jersey in less than three hours. The resulting flood wiped out highways, businesses, and homes throughout the region, and left many people homeless. My wife Kathy and me were among those effected. We were in Boston on Coast Guard business when we received a call warning us that the water was rising quickly near our home. We rushed back, but by the time we returned it was too late to do anything. We entered our home by canoe to find everything ruined. Like so many of our neighbors, we learned that none of the damage would be covered by homeowner's insurance.

The next day we were stunned when two truckloads of Coasties showed up at our front door, all volunteering their time and effort to help us salvage furniture and begin demolition of the house so that repairs could begin.

Teams from Activities New York worked at our house for two days, and in the weeks and months that followed, the Chief Petty Officers Association held car washes to raise money, other units and serve organizations passed the hat, and word-of-mouth spread about our situation. We received calls and offers of help from around the country, and Coasties from units thousands of miles away sent what they could to help us rebuild.

I can't say enough to thank all of the people who helped and I can't possibly list all the individuals who reached out

WE WILL PREVAIL

to us when we needed them. I do know that I have never been prouder to be a Coastie than over this past year, when I saw all of these people unhesitatingly volunteering their time. The people in this organization are the finest people I've ever known, and I'm honored to be a part of this service. I've recently completed ROCI, and I look forward to the day when I can retire from my civilian job and apply to serve the Coast Guard full time.

My wife and I have flown the Coast Guard colors in front of our home for several years now, and rest assured, we will continue to do so...especially since the house was largely built by Coastie labor and assistance. Thank you and Semper Paratus.

— *ENS James K. Cullen, USCGR*
Lake Hopatcong, N.J



Photo courtesy of ENS James Cullen, USCGR

ENS James Cullen, USCGR, and his wife, Kathy, at their rebuilt home.

Here is my read on the events of the past several days: We will figure this out, and get through it just fine. In fact, we will prevail. It is just that simple. The task for those of us who are not involved in the immediate issues of rescue, recovery, and response, is not to concern ourselves with knowing how we will figure this out, or how we will get through it, or how we will prevail. Rather it is our duty to review what we know about ourselves and our national character, and to keep in mind that we are made of the “right American stuff.” And then we shall be quite comfortable in proceeding to do whatever needs to be done, for as long as it needs to be done, and regardless of cost.

In 1777, before the battle of Bennington, it is said that John Stark called his troops together and spoke: “My men, yonder are the Hessians. They were bought for seven pounds and ten pence a man. Are you worth more? Prove it. Tonight, the American flag floats from yonder hill or Molly Stark sleeps a widow.”

The American flag is a tremendous symbol. So is the picture of its floating from a yonder hill. Despite our imperfections, we as a people have a special charge here on earth, namely to represent and defend the very best of the human character. The nature of this character was very well described by William Faulkner in his speech upon receiving the Nobel Prize in 1950: “I decline to accept the end of man...I believe that man will not merely endure; he will prevail.... He is immortal not because he alone among creatures has an inexhaustible voice, but because he has a soul, a spirit capable of compassion and sacrifice and endurance.”

Faulkner mentioned all the experiences of human kind about which he had attempted to write, experiences which we will all now have an opportunity to witness and, in some cases, experience ourselves: Courage, Honor, Hope, Pride, Compassion, Pity, and Sacrifice. I am certain beyond all doubt that millions of our fellow countrymen — and millions around the world who admire our promises to the world as a Nation standing for the principle that all are created equal and entitled to certain inalienable rights, including life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness — will now turn their efforts to the work at hand, and that which will come in the days and years ahead.

— *RADM J. Timothy Riker, USCGR(ret.)*
Cincinnati, Ohio

RESERVIST MEETS FORMER PRESIDENT

ABOARD USS HOWARD OFF THE COAST OF MAINE — CWO Steve DeCrosta recently added another highlight to his military career. DeCrosta, a recently activated Coast Guard Reservist, was on board the *USS Howard* (DDG-83) Sept. 16 to coordinate security between the ship and escorting Coast Guard small boats.

The *Howard*, one of the Navy's newest Aegis destroyers, was in transit and had a most famous visitor on board, former President George Bush. The former president has always maintained close ties to the Navy and the State of Maine. He is a World War II Navy veteran and the funding for the construction of the Aegis fleet was awarded during his administration. His summer White House was located in Kennebunkport and the *Howard* was built locally at the Bath Iron Works in Bath, Maine.

DeCrosta, when he is not wearing the blue of the Coast Guard, wears the blue of the Gloucester, Mass. Police Department where he is a patrol officer. He was able to update the former president on the various new systems currently in place to assist the Coast Guard perform one of its mandated missions, port security. He was introduced to the former president as the Coast Guard Security Defense Officer. His mission was to ensure that the *Howard*, her crew, and their famous visitor had a safe and uneventful transit. DeCrosta found the former president to be a "thoroughly down to earth person concerned with the well being of all recalled reservists."



Photo by CDR Joseph Bantouille, USCG

CDR Joseph Noolan, CO of USS Howard, former President George Bush, and CWO Steve DeCrosta pause during the president's visit to USS Howard Sept. 16.

CWO Steve DeCrosta is one of America's new "Minute Men." Just as our country's forefathers left home and hearth to answer the call to establish this great country some 225 years ago, DeCrosta heard and heeded the same call. He is one of several recalled reservists now serving at Coast Guard Group Portland, Maine and among thousands of reservists called up following the terrorist attack Sept. 11.

— By CDR Joe Bardouille,
Group Portland (Maine) Staff



Photo by PAC Edward J. Kruska, USCGR

PS CONFERENCE

A Port Security rating review brought 15 Reserve PS' to Marine Corps Base Quantico, Va. from across the nation Aug. 29-31. The data collected from the participants will be used to develop a PS Rating Occupational Analysis scheduled for FY02. Front row, l to r, PSC David Larkin, PSU 313; PSC Joseph Faney, Activities New York; PS1 Ed Croissant, PSU 307. Row two: PS1 Jose Escanuela, MSO Corpus Christi; PS2 Andree Tarrant, MSO Detroit; PS2 James Daughettee, MSO Paducah; PSC Scott Kendrick, MSO San Francisco. Row three: PS1 Charles Davis, PSU 305; PS2 William Wright, Activities San Diego; PS3 Richard Kocher, MSO Boston; PS1 William Frankel, MSO Tampa. Row four: PS2 Arthur Polite, MSO/GRU Long Island Sound; PSC Wayne Beals, MSO Puget Sound; PS1 Craig Trefney, MSO/GRU Philadelphia; PSCM Jeff Smith, PS Rating Force Master Chief.

NATIONAL D-DAY MEMORIAL DEDICATED

BEDFORD, Va. — A flag-waving crowd of 22,000 greeted President George W. Bush at the dedication ceremony of the National D-Day Memorial, June 6, the 57th anniversary of D-Day. Among them was Coast Guard Combat Veterans Association President Jack Campbell. The crowd was the largest gathering of D-Day veterans since the invasion's 50th anniversary at Normandy, France, in 1994.

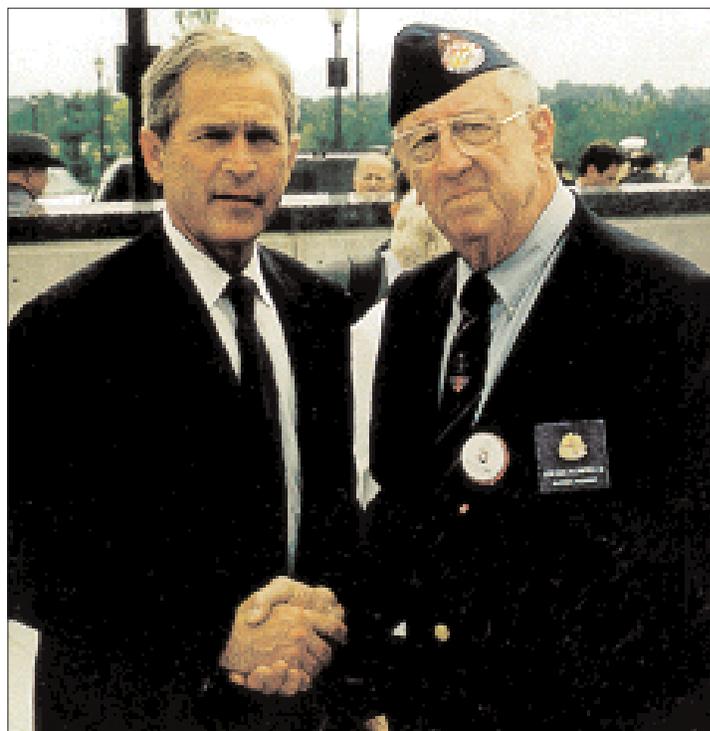
Patriotic and reverent tribute provided an emotional tone and American, British, and Canadian D-Day veterans read the memoirs of other D-Day veterans rather than speaking of their own experiences. Eisenhower's D-Day order was read, as well as a prayer by Franklin D. Roosevelt, a passage from Anne Frank's diary and Winston Churchill's D-Day announcement.

Bedford was chosen as the site for the memorial because the small town, which had a population of 3,200 in 1944, lost more casualties (19) to the D-Day invasion per capita than any other city in the United States. The memorial, which stands atop the tallest hill in Bedford, sits on 88 acres of memorial grounds owned by the National D-Day Memorial Foundation. The 15-acre memorial includes two sections: a 9-acre monument and a 49,000-square foot education center.

The impressive 9-acre monument is divided into three sections: Victory Plaza, Middle Plaza and the English Garden. The first, representing victory and consolidation, is a 44-foot, 6-inch tall polished granite arch emblazoned with the word "Overlord," the code name chosen by Churchill for the D-Day invasion. The arch's dimensions were chosen to indicate D-Day: 44 representing the year 1944, while the six inches represent June 6. The arch is surrounded by flags representing the Allied nations that participated in the invasion.

Middle Plaza represents the invasion itself, constructed to illustrate the D-Day landing scene. Its reflecting pool represents the English Channel and several life-size bronze soldiers are depicted wading through the shallow waters, some carrying their wounded comrades. Near the water's edge is an artist rendering in granite of a Higgins landing craft. Small underwater fountains periodically shoot water into the air, giving an eerie feeling of stray enemy bullets hitting the water, just short of hitting Allied forces.

On the other side of the reflecting pool is a walled structure 19 feet tall and eight feet wide, representing the cliffs that Allied forces encountered at Normandy. Four bronze Army Rangers are depicted climbing the cliff.



President Bush shakes hands with Coast Guard D-Day veteran Jack Campbell at the D-Day memorial dedication on June 6 in Bedford, Va. Campbell served on a Rescue Flotilla 83-footer, part of the Coast Guard's "Matchbox Fleet."

The English Garden, when completed, will represent the planning and preparation phases of the Allied invasion. This theme was selected because strategic planning and preparation for D-Day took place in England.

During the two-hour dedication ceremony, Campbell was introduced and spoke about the "landward" portion of the invasion where Coast Guard forces landed troops on the invasion beaches and also rescued others in the water. Chaplain of the Coast Guard, CAPT Leroy Gilbert, delivered the ceremony's Dedicatory Prayer following the Dedicatory Address by President Bush.

For more information about the National D-Day memorial, visit the Web site: www.dday.org; Phone: 1-800-351-DDAY; E-mail: dday@dday.org

— *Story and photo by Ed Swift,
Coast Guard Combat Veterans Association
Reprinted from "The Quarterdeck Log," Summer 2001*

NEWS BRIEFS

Parade honorees

CAPT Ed Bryant, USCG(ret.) was the honorary marshal of the 2001 Memorial Day Parade in Boxford, Mass. He was sponsored by the American Legion James L. Melvin Post #379. **BMC Todd Reed**, USCGR, was honored as the Homecoming Parade's Grand Marshal in Pentwater, Mich. on Aug. 11.

SPAR to appear on *Today Show*

Coast Guard SPAR **Lorraine Dieterle** was slated to be on NBC's *Today Show* sometime this fall to discuss her new book, *Arlington National Cemetery, A Nation's Story Carved in Stone*. Dieterle, a Coast Guard Photographer's Mate stationed in New York City during World War II, lives in Fairfax, Va. and works at the Women in Military Service for America (WIMSA) Memorial at Arlington. Exact date of her appearance was pending at press time.

PSU 309 TAKES 2001 MORRIS AWARD

PORT CLINTON, OHIO — U.S. Coast Guard Port Security Unit 309, based at Camp Perry, received the 2001 Thomas E. Morris Coast Guard Reserve Trophy Award in a presentation on Saturday, Aug. 18, 2001.

PSU 309 was recognized as the Coast Guard's deployable contingency unit with the best mobilization readiness. The unit achieved outstanding levels in status of resources and training system reports, readiness/deployment inspections, exercise play and professional qualification standards (PQS) completions.

Mr. Jack M. Kennedy, past national president and chairman of the National Advisory Council, Navy League of The United States, presented the award to the unit in front of a crowd of friends, family, Coast Guard personnel, and members of the local press.

Earlier this year, three separate teams from PSU 309 deployed to the Middle East to help provide anti-terrorism and force protection for American ships, sailors and key port facilities. The last deployed members of PSU 309 returned safely to American soil June 22.



Photo by PA2 Chris Grooms, USCG

PSU 309 personnel stand at attention during the Morris Award ceremony at Camp Perry on Aug. 18, while family and friends look on.

Speaking of the PSUs return to the U.S., Secretary of Transportation Norman Y. Mineta said, "They epitomize the Coast Guard's motto of Semper Paratus — always ready — and are a credit to our nation's armed services."

"It is with a great sense of pride that I commend all members of PSU 309 on the outstanding service and sacrifice they have made for our country," said RADM James D. Hull, Commander of the Ninth Coast Guard District.

— By PA2 Chris Grooms, D9 Public Affairs

SPAR UNVEILING

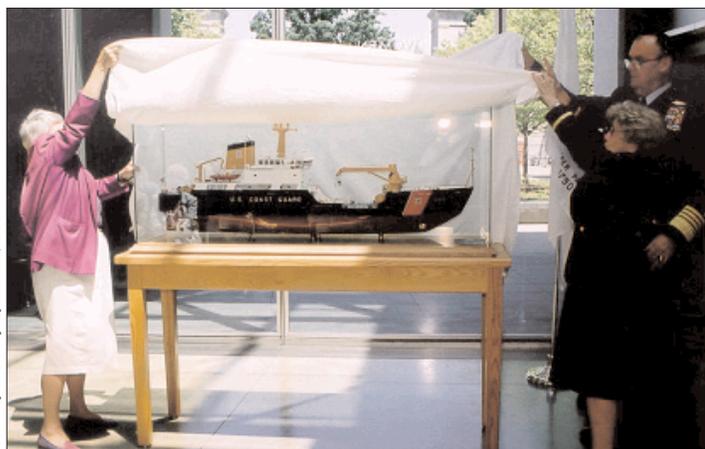


Photo by PA2 Jacquelyn Zettles, USCG

A model of the new CGC SPAR was unveiled at the Women's Memorial at Arlington National Cemetery on July 27. Left to right, WIMSA Director Wilma Vaught, CWO4 Betty Splaine, and Coast Guard Commandant ADM James M. Loy.

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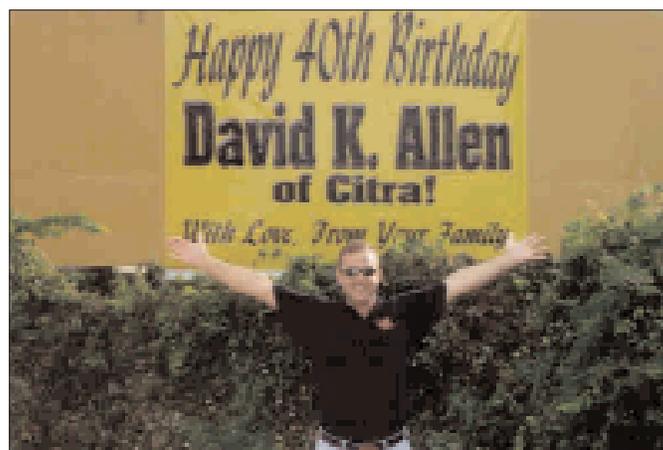


Photo by BMC3 Mark Allen, USCGR

PS3 Dave Allen shows off a surprise billboard on Highway 301 displayed for his 40th birthday Aug. 21. Allen, a reservist at Station Jacksonville, Fla., was recalled to active duty Sept. 12. Seven members of his family have served in the Coast Guard.

MEDALS AND AWARDS

DEFENSE SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL

CAPT John Pitta, Pentagon (ESC)
 CAPT Robert W. Kelly, Pentagon (ESC)*
 * Gold star in lieu of second

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

CAPT Robert C. Buckles, D7(m)
 CDR Donald E. Bunn, NAVCENT
 LCDR Armin Cate, MSO Miami

JOINT SERVICE

ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

LT Kenneth B. Hines, USTRANSCOM
 SK2 Robert S. Gay, USTRANSCOM

NAVY/MARINE CORPS

COMMENDATION MEDAL

CDR John D. Hooper, TTG LANT

CG COMMENDATION MEDAL

CDR Salvatore Brillante, Activities New York
 LCDR John L. Bowers, D8(o)
 LCDR Joseph Taylor, MLCLANT
 MCPO Joseph A. Zimmer, Group Ohio Valley

ARMY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

CDR Michael R. Price, CGHQ
 LCDR Douglas W. Heugel, MSO Toledo
 HSC Mark H. O'Neal, PSU 305
 PSC Michael Dubro, HDC, San Francisco
 PSC William J. Reisa, IRR
 BM1 Eric Renker, Station Sand Key, Fla.
 PS2 Wayne A. Drown, D7

CG ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

LTJG Paula Malone, Group Grand Haven
 YNCM Gerod A. Victorine, ISC Honolulu*
 * Gold star in lieu of second
 SKCS Timothy A. Green, Gulf Strike Team
 FSC William E. Bird, CGC Eagle
 SK1 Judith Fitzpatrick, Group/MSO LIS

MK2 George Benson, Act NY

COMMANDANT'S LETTER OF COMMENDATION

LCDR Steven W. Congdon, TC Yorktown
 LTJG Cecilio Banuelos, Group Corpus Christi
 SCPO Paul Wittek, Activities New York
 DCC Michael Meros, Activities New York
 EM1 Roger Edington, Activities New York
 PO Kevin Dowd, Activities New York
 SK1 James A. Mitchell, TRACEN Cape May
 YN1 Patricia Feeney, D9(osr)

DOT GOLD MEDAL FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

PAC Chuck Wullenjohn, D11 Public Affairs

CG MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION

MSO San Diego

CG MERITORIOUS TEAM AWARD

Activities New York, Engineering Division

CG RESERVE GOOD CONDUCT

MSTCS Randall K. Wagner, Act San Diego
 ETC Satchel P. Tucker, Activities San Diego
 BM1 Edward J. Bender, Activities San Diego
 DC1 Mark A. Brown, Activities San Diego
 DC1 Charlotte Zolezzi, Activities San Diego
 ET1 M. Carolyn Sawyer, Activities San Diego
 HS1 Lloyd W. Breese, Activities San Diego
 PS1 Dennis Bishop, Activities San Diego
 EM2 Richard L. Rios, Activities San Diego
 MST2 Walter Wagner, Activities San Diego
 SK2 Thomas P. Baker, Activities San Diego
 BM3 Lonnie Salimone, Activities San Diego
 BM3 Robert Trombley, Activities San Diego
 EM3 Sean O. Andrews, Activities San Diego
 EM3 Kristofer Goland, Activities San Diego
 GM3 Marcus Baiza, Activities San Diego



Jim White, Mayor of Kent, Wash., left, congratulates ET2 Walter C. Hazen, USCGR, center, while CDR Charles Johnson, CO of ESSU Seattle, looks on following the awarding of the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal. Hazen volunteered over 1,700 hours with the city of Kent from 1992-2000.

MK3 Daniel A. Noe, Activities San Diego
 MST3 Christian J. Mais, Activities San Diego
 PS3 Gary S. Robinson, Activities San Diego
 YN3 Karen C. Jensen, Activities San Diego
 SA Geoffrey E. Heath, Activities San Diego

ANTARCTICA SERVICE MEDAL

MST2 Carl J. Williams, CGC Polar Sea

MILITARY OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER SERVICE MEDAL

LT Julie L. Fritz, Activities San Diego
 CWO2 David A. Schuster, MSO Memphis

ARMED FORCES RESERVE MEDAL

LT Daniel V. Venne, USCG Marine Safety Center*

* Bronze hourglass device

The Reservist does not receive a listing of awards from the Awards & Medals Division at CGHQ. If you received an award that you'd like to see published here, send the magazine a copy of your citation and we'll ensure it is published in a future issue.



CDR Susan Daignault, Senior Reserve Officer at MSO Portland, Maine, pins a CG Achievement Medal on MSTC John Hart, USCGR, at an All Hands drill earlier this year. Hart was cited for superior performance of duty from January 1994 through September 2000.

Photo by LTJG Wade Gough, MSO Portland, Maine

Photo by PA3 Anthony Juarez, USCG

BMCM

1 PIERETH J A CG GP SAN FRANCISCO
 2 HATCH W K CG STA MONTEREY
 3 LEGOFF G CG GP MORICHES

BMCS

1 MITCHELL R F STA BOOTHBAY HARBOR
 2 CUNNINGHAM J CGC CHEYENNE
 3 JASINA T M CGC CHEYENNE
 4 DAUGHERTY S L CG ISC ST LOUIS
 5 ALLEN M H COMMANDANT

BMC

1 HELBIG R W CG STA GRAYS HARBOR
 1A KENDALL M A CG STA BAYFIED
 2 SMORCH D W CG STA JONESPORT
 3 CROWLEY K P CG MSO PROVIDENCE
 4 GREGORY D W CG STA GLOUCESTER
 5 MCLAUGHLIN D CG ATLANTIC STRIKE TEA
 6 MARSH D C CG PSU 309 - PORT CLIN
 7 FOSTER R P CG GULF STRIKE TEAM
 8 GUTTKE J E CGRU CNCWGRU PACIFIC
 9 SWAINE B M CG STA WOODS HOLE
 10 ZOLL D A CG STA FORT PIERCE

BM3*

24. MORRIS K A CG PSU 307
 25. BOWDEN J T CG STA PANAMA CITY
 26. MICKLE A D CG STA PANAMA CITY

DCCS

TROY W D CG GP WOODS HOLE

EMCS

1 DRUMMOND G A CGC THUNDER BAY

EMC

1 FREUDENBERGER R GP/MSO LONG ISLAND

ETCS

1 HINES R L CG ACADEMY

ETC

1 HOGGARD W R CG ESD PORTSMOUTH
 2 STEELE M G CG ESU ALAMEDA
 3 MODICO J A CG ESD SAN PEDRO
 4 CITAK P J CG ESD BOSTON

FSCM

1 COOPER C J CG STA PORT CANAVERAL

FSCS

1 TURNER R L CG STA PONCE DE LEON I
 2 PAYNE R M CGC GASCONADE

FSC

1 CONNOLLY A T CG STA GLOUCESTER
 2 DUFFY D L CG STA MONTEREY

FS1

7 BERRY G W CG STA BOOTHBAY HARBOR

IVCS

1 STRITZINGER J L CGIS GULF REG
 2 BOWERMAN D A CGIS GULF REG
 3 PALLA J J CGIS DET PETALUMA
 4 STRATTON W M CGIS CHESAPEAKE REGION

IVC

8 TYDINGS L F CGIS CENTRAL REG
 9 PIERCE S G CGIS SOUTHEAST REG
 10 HAYNES W D CGIS LONG BEACH
 11 POWALISZ L R CGIS CENTRAL REG

IV2

14 COOK S L CGIS LONG BEACH
 15 MULLINS C T CGIS CENTRAL REG
 16 SHYER J H CGD FOURTEEN
 17 SMITH R A CGIS CHESAPEAKE REGION

MKCM

1 HOWARD J A CG GP WOODS HOLE

MKCS

1 DOERR W O CGC CHEYENNE
 2 BROWN D N CG GULF STRIKE TEAM

3 SCHULTZ P B CG STA GEORGETOWN

4 BAILEY B E CGC POINT BRIDGE

MK

1 DEITRICH G L CG STA ATLANTIC CITY
 2 BLANKENSHIP J MSO PORT ARTHUR
 3 GOLDENBERG R STA FT MYERS BEACH
 4 CARROLL D P CG STA ROCKLAND
 5 LOWERY J M CG PSU 305 - FORT EUST
 6 HUDDLESTON J STA FORT MACON
 7 BARRETT G E CGC THUNDER BAY
 8 MCNABB T W CG MSO ST LOUIS
 9 MCCOMBER R W CG ISC ST LOUIS
 10 LAUTENSCHLAGER K E, CGC GRAND ISLE

MSTCS

2 WILLIAMS J C CG MSO WILMINGTON

MSTC

6 FAULKNER L P CG MSO WILMINGTON
 7 BROWN W R CG GULF STRIKE TEAM

MST1

9 JACOBSON S D CG MSO ST LOUIS
 10 SLODITSKIE M A CG GP/MSO LONG ISLAND
 11 HAGEMANN J I CG PST
 12 EBOLI R L CG ACT NEW YORK
 13 BEATY R H CG MSO SAULT STE MARIE
 14 LIVINGSTON M CG MSO WILMINGTON
 15 POFAHL W C CG MSO PORTLAND
 16 WAGNER W R CG MSO SAN DIEGO

PA1

4 SENNOTT A C CG GP ASTORIA

PSCM

1B DIKUN W J CGLO NRCE DET CMP LEJU
 2 MIESEN W G CG PSU 305 - FORT EUST
 4 DIGMAN J H CG GP/MSO LONG ISLAND

PSCS

4 MIRANDA M J CGD THIRTEEN
 5 GUNDERSON R L CG STA PORTLAND
 6 SAUNDERS K M CG MSO MOBILE
 7 DICKSON S C CG GP/MSO LONG ISLAND
 8 GRUENEBERG D H CG MSO MILWAUKEE
 9 ALLRED W B CG MSO WILMINGTON
 10 DAWSON J S CG MSO CHICAGO
 11 DIGMAN B D CG GP/MSO LONG ISLAND

PSC

5 ALTIERE J A CG PSU 308 - GULFPORT
 6 MACGREGOR M A CG MSO SAN DIEGO
 7 SHAUGHNESSY K T CG PSU 311 - LONG BEAC
 8 DOWNEY B M CG MSO PUGET SOUND
 9 CRAIG S H CG ACT SAN DIEGO
 10 WHEELER A A CG ACT NEW YORK
 11 KLEINSCHMIDT B O CG MSO TAMPA
 12 COONEY J S CG GI CAREDET
 13 WILKE S T CG PSU 309 - PORT CLIN
 14 SMITH E E CG STA (SM) MORRO BAY

PS2

68 WELCH D L CG PSU 308 - GULFPORT
 69 BROWN R K CG PSU 308 - GULFPORT
 70 FRAZIER T G CG PSU 305 - FORT EUST
 71 RATCLIFF J R CG PSU 313
 72 MCMAHON N A CG MSO HONOLULU
 73 TUCKER R T CG PSU 308 - GULFPORT
 74 ECHEVERRIA A C CG PSU 311 - LONG BEAC
 75 COLON K A CG ACT NEW YORK
 76 MOVESIAN P G CG PSU 305 - FORT EUST
 77 LINDENMUTH D C CG PSU 305 - FORT EUST
 78 TRAINER D CG PSU 311 - LONG BEAC
 79 MAGEE M I CG PSU 305 - FORT EUST
 80 TRAXLER J D CG PSU 308 - GULFPORT
 81 BARONA L CG PSU 311 - LONG BEACH

QMC

9 WARNER J D CGC EAGLE

SKC

1A MULLER W F CG ACT NEW YORK

SK1

9 FITZPATRICK J A CG GP/MSO LONG ISLAND
 10 BAKER T P CG ACT SAN DIEGO
 11 SKIPPER J D CG GP MOBILE
 12 VANVOORHIS E P CG ISC CLEVELAND

SK2

15 DAY L A CG GP EASTERN SHORE
 16 ESPINOZA L J CG MARSEC
 17 SANDERS E S CG GP FORT MACON
 18 CASILLAS A S CG PST

TCCS

1 HOFSTETTER H C CG ESD ATLANTIC CITY

YNCM

1 VILLEGAS S H CG RC

YNCS

1 CRENSHAW J M CG ISC ALAMEDA

YNC

7 BLACKFORD E A CG ISC MIAMI BEACH
 8 WHITE M L CG ACT BALTIMORE
 8A SHEPPARDYUST J F CG MSO PHILADELPHIA
 9 ROGERS J T CG ACT NEW YORK
 10 OKELLY J L CG MSO PITTSBURGH
 11 OWENS G E CG GP MAYPORT

YN1

18A GALLAHER C MCG GP EASTERN SHORE
 18B SCAVUZZO S M CG STA SANDY HOOK
 19 PINELA J M CG GP MORICHES
 20 PETERS L C CG MSO TAMPA
 22 SANTINI M A CG STA OCEAN CITY
 23 HUDSON K C CG GP MOBILE
 24 PHINNEY K M CG STA GRAYS HARBOR
 25 LASWELL L D CG GP LOWER MISSISSIPP
 26 BUTTON D A CG MSO BUFFALO
 27 HARRIS T L CG PSU 308 - GULFPORT
 28 PASTORIZA K E CG GANTSEC
 29 EVERTS D L CG GP LOWER MISSISSIPP
 30 HARUYAMA A K CG ISC SAN PEDRO

YN2

21 TOZER C J CG ATC MOBILE

YN3*

1. FERNANDEZ O K CG AIRSTA BARBERS PT
 2. LOSEY C R CG ACT BALTIMORE MD

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* For BM3, YN3, see ALCGPERSOM (ERAA No. 004/01)



RETIREMENTS

RET-1 (Retired With Pay)

APRIL 2001

CAPT John J. Clare, D7
CDR Edward H. Leska, D11
LT Paul J. Dangelo, D1
LT Richard L. Pomerleau, D1
CWO3 James D. Volke, D9
EMCM Glenn M. Lashley, D7
PSCM Ronald G. Bogdan, D8
PSCS David E. Ragonese, D1
BMC Guion G. Dudley, D5
ETC John R. Fish, D7
PSC Kenneth J. Skrzyniecki, D9
QMC Paul J. McLaughlin, D1
QMC George W. Moose, D9
EM1 Samuel Garza, D8
MK1 John A. Levesque, D1
PS1 Ricardo Villarreal, D8
SK1 Leandro Davila, D8

MAY 2001

CAPT Ray A. Heller, D1
CWO4 William D. Levene, D13
CWO4 Gordon H. Lumkee, D14
CDR Garret W. Post, D1
CDR Clayton M. Sturge, D13
CDR Richard C. Wacker, D13
LT Carl R. Bogen, D9
CWO2 Woodbury A. Post, D1
TCCM Robert C. Santfournier, D1
IVCS John H. Sullivan, D8
MKCS Richard H. Fichter, D1
MKC Richard L. Lasswell, D8
PSC Larry M. Cranford, D11
DC1 Donald E. Myers, D8
EM1 Leonard R. Higgins, D9
FS1 Bruce V. Rice, D5
MK1 Edward G. Bernius, D5
MK1 Herbert Pearlstein, D1

PS1 Thomas P. Schultz, D9
YN2 Walter Nazario, D7
YN2 Gary L. Shaw, D8

JUNE 2001

CAPT Ernest L. Seeman, D11
CDR Timothy C. Farley, D11
CDR Robert E. Haglund, D9
CDR David A. Hosmer, D1
CDR Daniel S. Wilshire, D11
LCDR Donald A. Quick, D5
CWO4 Ronald G. Lawlor, D11
CWO3 Gordon F. Stone, D1
YNCM Gary L. Feramisco, D11
PSCS Dennis L. Thierbach, D9
PSC Norman J. Lacourciere, D1
AMT2 James D. Pauletich, D7
BM1 Joseph N. Gosh, D9
BM1 Raymond N. Rush, D5
FS1 Carl J. Kruger, D1
MK1 Clarence B. Tom, D14
PS1 Thomas F. Edwards, D7
PS1 Robert C. Stolzenbach, D5
QM1 Robert E. English D8

JULY 2001

CWO3 Robert L. Carlow, D5
YN1 Gary A. Nilsen, D11

RET-2 (Retired Awaiting Pay)

APRIL 2001

CDR Linda T. Crown, D11
LCDR William F. Mueller, D8
CWO4 James M. Connery, D1
CWO4 Donald A. Fagerstrom, D13
TCC Pamela D. Walker, D5
DC1 John M. Massey, D7
MK1 Don B. Rohde, D13

YN1 Don R. Gianotti, D11
BM2 Arthur A. Gobble D9
MK2 John L. Herrick, D13
QM2 Frank A. Dieckow, D7
PS3 Stephen C. Reynolds, D1

MAY 2001

LCDR Michael R. Wroblewski, D5
QMCM Douglas S. Matulew, D1
BMC William R. Fetty, D8
ETC Aristides Maldonado, D8
FSC William E. Bird, D1
HSC Richard E. Cope, D11
BM1 Dale G. Hancock, D8
IV1 Louis J. Tayon, D5
BM2 Richard B. McDonald, D1
HS2 Steven E. Lunsford, D9
GM3 Thaddeu J. Zepnikowski, D5
PS3 Donald G. Halazon, D13

JUNE 2001

CAPT Michael E. Stango, D5
CAPT Phillip W. Waldron, D7
CWO4 Rachel M. Freeze, D11
FSC Charles G. Worsencroft, D8
MK1 George E. Stevens, D11
PS1 Charles E. Curbo, D8
PS1 Gordon D. Moody, D7
PS1 Joseph A. Rios, D7
TC2 Robert L. Phillips, D9
FS2 Eugenie McGillivary, D8
MK2 Daniel U. Aguilar, D8
PS2 Frederic W. Callies, D9
PS2 Ronald J. Mertens, D13
FS3 Douglas B. Spiotta, D9

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DUAL RETIREES

Captains John Pitta and Robert Kelly were both honored at a June 9 retirement ceremony at the Pentagon. The ceremony was presided over by Peter F. Verga, who recently led the U.S. EP-3 delegation to China. Pictured l to r, Ron Larson, Peter Verga, Erin Kelly, CAPT Kelly, Midshipman 3c Brendan Kelly, Michele Kelly, Robert Coombs, CAPT Pitta and Peggy Pitta.



Photo courtesy Pentagon

- **CAPT Richard N. Davis**, USCGR(ret.), of Seattle, April 12, 2001.
- **CAPT Wilbur L. Fugate**, USCGR(ret.), of Alexandria, Va., July 5, 2001. Interment Alexandria, Va.
- **CAPT Robert E. Stewart, Jr.**, USCGR(ret.), Aug. 19, 2001 in Harrisonburg, Va.
- **CAPT Seymour L. Treib**, USCGR(ret.), 83, July 1, 2001, in Safety Harbor, Fla. He served nearly 36 years in the Coast Guard and Coast Guard Reserve. A memorial service was held graveside on July 10, 2001 at the Bay Pines National Cemetery, St. Petersburg, Fla. with military honors. Donations in his memory may be made to the Hospice Foundation of the Florida Suncoast, 300 E. Bay Drive, Largo, FL 33770.
- **CDR Anne D. Bellows**, USCGR(ret.), Aug. 16, 2001 in Holmes Beach, Fla.
- **CDR Edward B. Israel**, USCGR(ret.), Sept. 6, 2001 in Doylestown, Pa.
- **CDR James E. Taylor**, USCGR(ret.), of Harlingen, Texas, June 24, 2001. Interment Bedford, Ind.
- **CDR Edward S. Wheeler**, USCGR(ret.), of San Bernardino, Calif., June 14, 2001.
- **LCDR Wayman I. McNabb**, USCGR(ret.), of Tulsa, Okla., June 14, 2001.
- **LCDR Lewis H. Purcell**, USCGR(ret.), of Renton, Wash., May 23, 2001.
- **LCDR Larry C. Russell**, USCGR(ret.), of LaFayette, La., July 19, 2001.
- **LT Robert K. Chipman**, USCGR(ret.), of Mountainview, Calif., July 30, 2001.
- **LTJG Dorothy L. (Getter) Shattuck**, USCGR(W), 85, of Gillett, Pa., May 22, 2001. She served 28 months during WWII in New York City as a SPAR barracks officer. After the war, she was a high school teacher at five Ohio schools. There was no funeral service. Memorial contributions in her name may be directed to the Berrytown Wesleyan Church, RR 1 Box 2840, Gillett, PA 16925, the Allen F. Pierce Free Library, 115 Center St., Troy, PA 16947 or to Guthrie Hospice, RR 1 Box 154, Towanda, PA 18848.
- **CWO4 James Farry**, USCGR(ret.), Aug. 24, 2001 in Pittsfield, Mass.
- **CWO4 Francis P. Temple**, USCGR(ret.), of Norwalk, Calif., July 10, 2001. Interment Riverside Veterans Cemetery, Riverside, Calif.
- **HMCM Paul E. Luna**, USCGR(ret.), of Nashville, Tenn., July 1, 2001.
- **PSCM Thomas P. Stoicoiu**, USCGR, 49, of Brookpark, Ohio, suddenly July 5, 2001. He had proudly served in the Coast Guard for 32 years and was currently serving as Command Master Chief of PSU 309. He served with the PSU during Desert Storm and Uphold Democracy. A Memorial Mass was held at St. John Bosco Catholic Church with full military honors on July 9, 2001. He was later buried at sea. Donations may be made in his memory to The Research Institute, University Hospital, 11100 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44106-5062
- **MKCS Lemuel H. Hall**, USCGR(ret.), of Elizabeth City, N.C., May 25, 2001. Interment Elizabeth City, N.C.
- **PSCS Wilfred A. Montpelier**, USCGR(ret.) of Marlton, N.J., Aug. 13, 2001. Interment Arneytown, N.J.
- **PSCS John G. Wertis**, USCGR(ret.), of Miami, Fla., May 20, 2001. Interment Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, Fla.
- **BMC Garry M. Mayers**, USCGR, 48, of Exton, Pa., suddenly on June 27, 2001 in Exton. He started his military career in 1972 with the U.S. Navy and Naval Reserve. In 1977, he transferred to the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve where he served at Station Boston and Station Point Allerton, Mass. At the time of his passing he was serving at Station Barnegat Light, N.J. As a civilian, he was Vice President for Customer Support for CFM Technologies in Exton. Funeral services were held July 2, 2001 in Reading, Mass. with interment at Charles Lawn Cemetery, Reading.
- **ETC Steven D. Maxwell**, USCGR, Aug. 14, 2001 in Baltimore, Md. Interment Rose Lawn Memorial Gardens, Murfreesboro, Tenn.
- **MKC Carlton S. Houghton**, USCGR(ret.), of Deltona, Fla., June 8, 2001.
- **MKC James R. Pearce**, USCGR(ret.), of Jacksonville, Fla., May 20, 2001.
- **PSC Robert J. Piscatelli**, USCGR(ret.), of Hamden, Conn., June 8, 2001. Interment Hamden, Conn.
- **PSC Robert J. Randall, Sr.**, USCGR(ret.), July 30, 2001 in Auburn, N.Y. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery, Fleming, N.Y.
- **EM1 John M. Beam, Sr.**, USCGR(ret.), of Norcross, Ga., May 15, 2001. Interment Norcross, Ga.
- **FI1 David W. Halderman**, USCGR(ret.) of Brentwood, N.Y., Aug. 8, 2001 in New York, N.Y. Interment Long Island, N.Y.
- **MK1 Donald J. Kollar**, USCGR(ret.), of Joplin, Mo., July 11, 2001.
- **PS1 Ronald A. Bonin**, USCGR(ret.), of Port Arthur, Texas, June 1, 2001. Interment Port Arthur.
- **SS1 Arno A. Schollmeyer**, USCGR(ret.), of Ridge, N.Y, June 5, 2001 in Port Jefferson, N.Y.
- **EM2 Joseph T. Fitzgibbons**, USCGR, of William, Va., July 4, 2001.
- **FS2 Frederick J. Patch, Jr.** USCGR, 25, suddenly June 30, 2001. He was attached to *CGC Barbara Mabrity*, Mobile, Ala., while enrolled as a student at Pensacola Junior College. He served four years on active duty from 1994 to 1998 on the *CGCs Morro Bay* and *Vigilant*. He was a 1994 graduate of Brunswick High School. A funeral Mass was celebrated in his honor at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Brunswick on July 5, 2001, followed by interment at Brunswick Memorial Park Cemetery. Graveside military honors were provided by personnel from Station Brunswick. U.S. flags were presented to both parents, PS1 Frederick Patch, USCGR(ret.) and stepmother, Margaret, and an ensign that had flown over the *Barbara Mabrity* was presented by a representative from the ship to the father.
- **Ringer D. Lingley**, USCGR(ret.), July 20, 2001.
- **Albert E. Stridefelt**, a lighthouse keeper who retired April 1, 1967, passed away June 7, 2001, in Hancock, Mich. Interment Calumet, Mich.



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LEADERSHIP AND MOBILIZATION



**By MCPO
J. R.
Stafford,
USCGR
Reserve
Command
Master
Chief,
Eleventh
District**

When I was asked to write an article for the Citizen-Sailor Firefighter issue, I readily agreed. I had the article written several days early and submitted it on Sept. 10. How satisfying it was to know that I had completed my last article before I would retire in 2002.

And then came Sept. 11, 2001!

Today, we still mourn the tragic loss of life in our nation's cities and aboard aircraft. All the victims and their surviving family members have my deepest sympathy.

As I write this, our brothers and sisters in the public safety sector from all around the country are arriving and giving their very best efforts in New York, in Washington, D.C. and in southwestern Pennsylvania.

Many in the rescue efforts know colleagues from their ranks who may have given their all in the pursuit of this honorable profession. All of us in the public safety family mourn the loss of colleagues in the New York City Fire and Police Departments. As a service, and as a family, we hope for the very best, yet we prepare for the worst. In fire houses and police departments all over our nation, hearts are saddened by the loss of our brothers and sisters in New York. These fallen firefighters and police represent the very best in America, and we salute them for taking care of their city when they were needed.

During the past several weeks, we have seen great leaders step forward, and each has taken time to take care of his/her people. They point out that the people are doing outstanding work. They make speeches and remarks giving hope, support, direction and encouragement, drawing on the ability of the people to respond.

MCPO Wayne Canfield, USCG(ret.) of the San Francisco Bay Area Chiefs Mess used to say, "Take care of our people, but don't carry them." Leaders know that if you care for your people, you must also encourage them to respond and work for themselves.

That time is now.

During the past few days, I've been engaged in communications and personal issues all over the Eleventh District. Some of these issues involve the uncertainty of being recalled to active duty for an unknown length of time. Remember, parents, spouses, and children are uncer-

tain about what you will be doing and how it will effect them. The fear of abandonment is very real and very strong. Take time to discuss your job, your thoughts and your intentions with your family. Your families depend on you for information and leadership. Reassure children and parents that you are part of one of the best trained and best led teams in the world, and prepare them for your possible mobilization. Other families all over America are going through exactly what they are going through. Mobilization hits across all ranks and families.

Remember too, that you represent everyone who wears the uniform. You represent the Government as much as President Bush to your fellow Americans. Encourage them to be informed and confident in our nation.

There are materials on the Reserve home page and at your unit to help you with your mobilization. The president recently said, "Get Ready." Take these words as our Coast Guard commitment to be Semper Paratus. In the meantime, begin to read the available materials on mobilization and be prepared to pass the word on to your people.

I'm happy to report that many Coast Guard personnel have responded like this: "I want to be there and help in any way possible!" With the recent outpouring of patriotism, some people in the Active Status Pool as well as retirees want to come back and serve. As these people come aboard, we must remember they have been gone for various lengths of time and have to be retrained. Their reeducation is your charge — the actual learning is their responsibility.

Watch out for both your juniors and your seniors. Be mindful that many may be dealing with Critical Incident Stress. Remember, too, that family members are stressed with our mobilization. These cares and concerns come from home and at every level of the organization, but don't be consumed by them. If all of us heed the words, "Take care of our people, but don't carry them," we can conquer the communications and personal issues surrounding this mobilization and the rest will follow.

In closing, know that I salute each and every one of you for your service and sacrifice for our nation. God Bless America and Semper Paratus!

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