



# The Coast Guard/NOAA Retirees' Newsletter

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## NEW SELF SERVICE FUNCTIONALITY – JULY 2012

### What's New

Effective July 2, 2012, the Global Pay Self Service application will allow retirees to review their final pay beneficiary designations.

After logging into the Self Service application, just click the "View My Final Pay Beneficiary" link and it will take you to a screen showing who PPC has on file for your final pay beneficiary(ies). If the person(s) listed are not who you want to receive your final retired pay, you'll need to fill out a new Form CG-3600 (Designation of Beneficiary for Payment of Unpaid Retired Pay) and submit the Form to PPC (RAS). PPC (RAS) will update the beneficiary information in the database, and then within the next two months you should see your beneficiary information updated.

This functionality is only applicable to retirees. If an annuitant dies and there are arrears due, distribution of the arrears will be made pursuant to the order of precedence listed in the next paragraph. (Normally, there are no annuity arrears due because annuities are not pro-rated for the month of death, i.e., entitlement to an annuity stops as of the last day of the month prior to the annuitant's death.)

If a retiree does not designate a final pay beneficiary in writing, under the law (10 USC 2771), unpaid retired pay is paid in the following order of precedence:

- Surviving spouse.
- Children and their descendants, by representation.
- Father and mother in equal parts or, if either is dead, the survivor.
- Legal representative.
- Person entitled under the law of the domicile of the deceased member.

Please remember that final pay designations are separate from SBP annuity designations. Your Pay Slip provides you with information on what type of SBP coverage you have, along with the associated monthly premium and projected monthly SBP annuity amount.

### Procedures

For detailed procedures on using the Self Service application, please refer to the PPC (RAS) web site at <http://www.uscg.mil/ppc/ras/>.

### Future Self Service Functionality

More Self Service functionality will be released over the next year, including:

- ◆ Changes to federal tax withholding.
- ◆ Changes to state tax withholding (retirees only).
- ◆ Ability to submit Certificates of Eligibility & Reports of Existence.

**"Ahoy!** My transition to PPC has been a bit of a whirlwind to say the least. As reported in **CO's Corner** - the previous newsletter, I relieved CAPT Phillips on 18 May and it's been "baptism by fire" ever since. As some of you may know, PPC's Direct Access server housed by IBM in Tempe, AZ was moved in early June to Sterling, VA. Prior to the move, we (HQ, PSC, PPC, and others) scrambled to notify the field and mitigate as much of the two-week down time as possible. Much of that down time impacted the PPC Retiree and Annuitant Services (RAS) Branch ability to access personnel records for updates. The RAS Branch employees are working diligently to clean up any backlog items caused by the downtime. Rest assured, every possible action is being taken to ensure accurate pay to all of our customers. As always, if you have questions regarding your pay or any other RAS services, don't hesitate to contact your servicing RAS representative for assistance.

I am honored to be back in Topeka and look forward to serving you. I was stationed here as the Customer Service Division Chief and XO for military personnel from 2004-2008. A lot of positive changes have been made and several more are coming in the near future; it's great to be part of the PPC team again.

If there is anything we can do to improve our service, please let us know via whatever means you are able to contact us (mail, email, phone, fax, PPC website survey, etc.). Fair winds to CAPT Phillips in his new job (retirement)."

*CAPT Stuart Lebruska, Commanding Officer, USCG Pay and Personnel Center. (785) 339-3603*

## REUNIONS AND NOTICES

### Port Angeles Coast Guard Day Celebration

Air Station/Sector Field Office Port Angeles, WA will celebrate the Coast Guard's 222nd birthday this year on Friday August 3rd. For more information please contact Jan Freeman at 360-417-5805 or [Jan.L.Freeman@uscg.mil](mailto:Jan.L.Freeman@uscg.mil)

### Light Station Patos Island

Keepers of the Patos Light, is looking for Coast Guard personnel and their families who lived/served on Patos Island in the San Juan Islands of Washington State. Any time of service would be of interest to us. We normally stage a Retired Coast Guard Reunion every summer in August and would like to invite more Coast Guard personnel and/or their families to our events. Those who served at Semiamoo, Burrows, and Lime Kiln lighthouses are welcome to contact us as well. Please email us at [patoslightkeepers@hotmail.com](mailto:patoslightkeepers@hotmail.com) or visit our web site at [www.patoslightkeepers.org](http://www.patoslightkeepers.org).

Carla Chalker and Linda Hudson, Co-Presidents,  
Denise Wilk. Vice-President  
Keepers of the Patos Light — [www.patoslightkeepers.org](http://www.patoslightkeepers.org)

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## National Military Association President Calls on Congress to Stop the War on TRICARE

Springfield, Virginia (4/16/12) – The National Association for Uniformed Services (NAUS) strongly opposes the Pentagon plan for steep increases in TRICARE fees. The federal fiscal year 2013 defense proposal would raise fees for all programs in TRICARE, the military health care plan.

“It’s an outrage to hear DoD tell military retirees that the costs for promised benefits are squeezing out available resources for our national defense,” said retired Marine Lieutenant General Jack Klump, NAUS President and CEO. “NAUS is compelled to protect those who served to protect us,” Klump said. “After a career of defending our citizens and our freedom, these brave men and women should not have to fight to keep the nation’s side of its obligation.”

Under the Pentagon’s plan, TRICARE Prime annual enrollment fees for a family would jump nearly four-fold over five years. A rapidly growing enrollment fee would be initiated for TRICARE Standard and one would be imposed for the first time on TRICARE for Life, too. Pharmacy copays would increase to \$34 per prescription from \$9. And Beneficiaries would pay \$3 billion more next year for their healthcare benefits they sacrificed in armed service to earn.

“Congress has a unique responsibility to act—indeed it has a moral obligation,” the NAUS President said. “TRICARE is an earned benefit. It is an integral part of a moral contract, a practical fulfillment of a nation’s promise to those who honorably served a career in the Uniformed Services.”

The NAUS chief executive asks Congress to stop the war on TRICARE, “Protect those who served to protect you. They paid a personal price to earn their benefits. Don’t break faith.”

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NAUS is a nonprofit, non-partisan association dedicated to protecting the interests of - and benefits earned by - members of the uniformed services for themselves, their families and survivors. NAUS provides administrative support to the Society of Military Widows. For more information please contact Steve Hein, Director of Marketing, at 703-750-1342, x1009, or at [shein@naus.org](mailto:shein@naus.org), or visit the Association’s web site at [www.NAUS.org](http://www.NAUS.org).

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### Letters to the Editor

Dear Retired African-American Senior Coast Guard Officers:

I am a student at Capella University and I am working on my Ph. D. in General Psychology. I have decided to do my research on senior African-American Officers in the U. S. Coast Guard. The title of the study is “African-American Officers in the U. S. Coast Guard: What is Unique About Those Who Reach the Senior Levels?”

The rapidly changing demographics of the United States workforce, the competition for the best talent, and the realization that a diverse workforce has many benefits, has driven organizations to explore how to attract and retain minorities. This study is designed to explore the African-American senior officer population from the U. S. Coast Guard. Understanding what is unique about those who persevered to success is the main purpose and focus of this research. This information can be very useful in developing recruitment strategies, training and development programs, policies and guidelines for managing diversity, and other retention focused initiatives.

Research volunteers will participate in 1 to 2 face-to-face interviews lasting approximately 90 minutes. If you are an African-American Officer, who retired as an LCDR/O-4 and above, and you are interested in participating in this study, please respond with an email address so that I may forward a copy of the informed consent form, which will provide more information about what will be asked of participants in this research study. I will also use this email address to schedule a phone conference to answer any questions you may have about the research study.

Robert L. Smith  
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Attn: Retirees living in the State of Georgia. The New Coast Guard Retired Vehicle Tags are available from your county tag office. The new plates display the Coast Guard Seal and the racing stripe on the tag. There is no charge for the tag.. –CDR Armand L. Chapeau, USCG, Ret

Any/All former USCGC *Tamaroa* (WMEC-166) shipmates interested in providing info/manuscripts/photos relating to the "No Name Storm" of Oct/Nov 1991 are encouraged to have input in a non-fiction/self published book about our actions taken during *Tamaroa* SAR (UCN'S 92003/S/V Satori) and (UCN 92004 ANG Helo ditch) should send requested info to QMC Rich Perry, USCG, Ret., via editable email attachments in PDF form to [uscgqmc2000@yahoo.com](mailto:uscgqmc2000@yahoo.com) or regular mail to: QMC Rich Perry, USCG, Ret, 85 Westland Ave #42, Boston, MA 02115. Cell # (617) 970-6033 ASAP.

Semper Paratus,  
USCG QMC Rich Perry

**USCG Sector Detroit** is in the process of creating historical displays in the Sector building. They are looking for old photos of CG Group Detroit, Base Detroit, and MSO Detroit. Additionally, they are creating a list of past Group Commanders and MSO Commanding Officers. Info such as when they served, portraits/pictures of the past Commanders/Commanding Officers and their Deputies/XO's would also be appreciated. Please contact Mr. Jim Charters at [james.e.charters@uscg.mil](mailto:james.e.charters@uscg.mil) or by phone at 313-568-9471 if you have any information or pictures you would like to donate/share.

**Digitization of the Reservist Magazine:** We know how important the "**Reservist**" is to all of our readers but, in today's budget climate and with available technology, the magazine has moved to an all digital publication. The two issues released in calendar year 2011 were in both formats, paper and digital. Currently the **Reservist** magazine is totally digital and available at <http://www.uscg.mil/reservist/>. Our goal is to continue to provide an award winning magazine that is enjoyed by all of our members. Please direct any questions to CDR Collins, Chief, Reserve Information/Evaluation Division, Commandant (CG-1313), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 2nd Street SW STOP 7801, Washington, DC 20593-7801 or email [Ruby.L.Collins@uscg.mil](mailto:Ruby.L.Collins@uscg.mil).

"If you are or were a cutterman, The Cuttermen Association is looking for you. Our annual dues are very low, and our camaraderie is very high. We are a rapidly growing mix of active duty and former or retired officers and enlisted and their friends and families dedicated to improving the welfare of cutterman and keeping the community in contact, professionally and socially. Chapters are forming all over the country and even abroad, and one is either near you or likely to form near you soon. For more information, visit our website at <http://www.cuttermen.org/>. And if you'd like to link your cutter reunion association or contribute an article to our bi-monthly magazine, we'd love to hear about your life experiences and your cutter(s)."

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Contact:** Shea Berry Bundy, Committee Member  
Northeastern High School Class of 1982  
252-338-5466, ext 25

**Northeastern High School – Class of 1982 – 30 Year Class Reunion**

Northeastern High School Class of 1982 will be holding their 30-Year Class Reunion on September 22, 2012. The Reunion Committee is searching for all 1982 Classmates and asking them to contact the committee immediately in order to provide them with all event information. Please contact Raymond Seneres at 919-264-6641 or at [rseneres@cisco.com](mailto:rseneres@cisco.com) or Shea Berry-Bundy at 252-333-9052 or at [sbundy@northeasterncdc.org](mailto:sbundy@northeasterncdc.org).

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## REUNIONS AND NOTICES

**HAWAII COAST GUARD RETIREE COUNCIL** will meet at 1900 to 2100 at Club 14, Sand Island the second Wednesday of every August, November, February, and May. Contact CAPT Schultz at [rschultz369@gmail.com](mailto:rschultz369@gmail.com) or BMCS Dutton at [DuttonM003@Hawaii.RR.Com](mailto:DuttonM003@Hawaii.RR.Com) if you have any questions.

**USCG District Thirteen Lifeboat Reunion** the weekend of May 18-20th 2012 in Newport, Oregon. For those who served at any Oregon/Washington lifeboat Station. For further information and reservation please access via: <http://www.uscgd13reunion.webs.com/>

**USCG Station Plum Island** reunion Saturday July 28, 2012. For more information please contact Ralph Lund, (906) 337-3392 or email [RQLUND@Starband.net](mailto:RQLUND@Starband.net) or email Bob Elwell at: [robertelwell@verizon.net](mailto:robertelwell@verizon.net).

**Attention retirees in Districts 13 and 17:** We invite you to affiliate with the Coast Guard Retiree Council Northwest! We keep you in touch with fellow retirees, benefit news, and what's happening in the active Coast Guard. No heavy lifting required. Check out our Website at <http://www.cgretirenw.org>. Please send your contact information (including E-mail address) to [feedback@cgretirenw.org](mailto:feedback@cgretirenw.org).

The **Cactus Coast Guard** meets three times a year in the Phoenix, AZ area for a brunch and to share. All former, active duty, reserve and retired Coast Guard are welcome. We have an active e-mail list so please respond by same to [artgbeard@aol.com](mailto:artgbeard@aol.com). No e-mail, contact SKCM Art Sloane, USCG, Ret., (480) 802-6810.

Those interested in joining the membership to the **COAST GUARD RETIREE COUNCIL** of Jacksonville, FL or if you have questions, contact YNCM Bobby Wester, USCG, retired at [Bwester2549@aol.com](mailto:Bwester2549@aol.com) (subject line: CG Retiree Council), (904) 645-5552 (leave message), or by regular mail to 3327 Brachenbury Lane, Jacksonville, FL 32225-3709 (please provide a telephone number where you can be reached).

**TRACEN YORKTOWN** Retiree Council office is located in the lobby on the first floor of Steuben Hall. Office hours are 0800-1400 Monday thru Wednesday or by appointment. Telephone (757) 856-2136 or e-mail us at: [TCY-PF-Retireecouncil@uscg.mil](mailto:TCY-PF-Retireecouncil@uscg.mil). Our retiree luncheon is held at 11:30 AM on the second Wednesday of each month in the Port of York. Feel free to join us for breakfast at 6:30 AM every Wednesday in the galley.

"**Attention families who called Governor's Island** home when it was headquarters for the nation's largest Coast Guard district. There will be a Coast Guard Brats reunion and picnic on Saturday, August 4, 2012, on Governor's Island. For further information please contact Helen Jenkins-Torres at [helene0361@yahoo.com](mailto:helene0361@yahoo.com)."

**TRACEN CAPE MAY**, Retiree Council Office is now located in my home. It's open to CG retirees, active duty personnel, and other Armed Forces, Reserve & Guards, Veterans of all services. I'm now a certified VFW, VA Service Officer. My address is 108 Cardinal Ave, Villas, NJ 08251. Call for appointment. You are all welcome. Cell: (609) 972-6453, home: (609) 889-6647 or e-mail me at: [kc2jpo@comcast.net](mailto:kc2jpo@comcast.net).

The U.S. Coast Guard National Association of **Former Stewards and Stewardmates**, Inc. will be celebrating their **Twenty-Third** reunion at the Double Tree Hotel in Memphis, TN August 2-5, 2012. Please contact CPO Norman McGlone, USCG, Ret. at (757) 640-0524 for additional information.

**USCG 125/165 foot cutter reunion** will be held September 13-15, 2012 in Warwick, RI (Providence). Contact Dave Johnston at (314) 249-3207 or e-mail him at [dave@davejohnston.com](mailto:dave@davejohnston.com). For details of the reunion please visit [www.uscg125and165cutters.com](http://www.uscg125and165cutters.com).

**Florida East Central Coast Retiree Council** meets quarterly at the Ponce Deleon Inlet Coast Guard Station. Contact John Heaphy at (386) 852-7773 (Leave a message) or [JohnHeaphyAlso@aol.com](mailto:JohnHeaphyAlso@aol.com) or Bob Merrilees (321) 452-5426 or [RMerrilees@cfl.rr.com](mailto:RMerrilees@cfl.rr.com) for information about the next meeting. All Coast Guard retirees and annuitants are welcome as well as retirees from other services.

**Calling all LORANIMALS** –The last of the US LORAN Stations have been shutdown. Come and join us at: [www.Loran-history.info](http://www.Loran-history.info). The web site remembers the Coast Guardsmen, who served aboard Loran-A, Loran-C stations, and other Loran billets worldwide. These dedicated Coasties are but a few who provided radio navigation signals to millions of navigators.

Hosted by CPO Joe Jester, USCG (ret) and MCPO Bill Dietz, USCG (ret)

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**Base Seattle ID Card office hours** and appointment process. Hours of operation are Mon-Fri, 0700-1530, by appointment only. Base Seattle reservists will be issuing ID cards on the first Saturday of every month during their reserve drill weekends. This service will be offered per the availability of our reserve staff and is subject to change. Hours are 0900-1130 and 1300-1500 by appointment only. Appointments are required for the issuance of new CAC/Dependent ID cards or to add/delete a DEERS dependent, etc. To make an appointment, please call (206) 217-6700. If you have to re-schedule an appointment, please call in advance to reschedule so we can open that slot to another member.

YNCS Lori J. Fields  
Decedent Affairs Officer  
Personnel Support Department  
USCG BASE SEATTLE

Hello to all members of the **USCGC NORTHWIND** crew. I was on the *Northwind* in 1957. I was the Pay Clerk, working for James Kinney, CWO. I have been contacted by a few of the other members of that crew here in Seattle and the surrounding area, who want to put together a reunion. PLEASE contact me if you are interested in joining this group. My name is HAROLD WILLARD, SK1, my email is [haroldwillard55@gmail.com](mailto:haroldwillard55@gmail.com), my cell phone number is (206) 595-6484. Please contact me so we can get this reunion underway soon!

Harold

Coast Guard Activities, Europe Facebook Page, any former members of Coast Guard Activities, Europe Loran C operations (July 1995 and prior) ACTEUR in London and including Estartit, Lampedusa, Sellia Marina, Sylt, Karagarburn are welcome to join our facebook page "Coast Guard Activities Europe" and share their memories.

The CGIA Board of Directors is pleased to announce this year's reunion will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Phoenix, Arizona from Tuesday, 18 September (travel day) to Friday, 21 September (travel day). The business meeting will be held on Wednesday, 19 September and the banquet on Thursday, 20 September. Meeting agenda includes election of officers. The hotel is located at 4300 East Washington, Phoenix, AZ 85034. For a virtual tour, please visit: <http://www.cpphoenixaz.com/>. Please visit the CGIA website for the details under the Reunion Tab Phoenix and for the registration form. <http://www.coastguardinvestigativeassociation.org/> Hope to see you in Phoenix.

**USCG Station Gloucester, MA** will be holding a reunion on Saturday, September 8, 2012 in Gloucester. Those interested in attending should contact Dave Gregory at (978) 681-7808 or e-mail to [bmccoxn@comcast.net](mailto:bmccoxn@comcast.net)

Coast Guard **CW Operators Association (CGCWOA)** has scheduled their 2012 reunion for October 17-20, 2012 at Novato, CA. For additional information contact Fred Goodwin at [fgoodwin@olypen.com](mailto:fgoodwin@olypen.com). See our website at [WWW.COMM-ONE.ORG](http://WWW.COMM-ONE.ORG). ZUT— CW Forever.

**Fellow TT's, EMT's, IT's** and friends. The West Coast Reunion is July 20-22, 2012 in Alameda, CA. For more information contact David Swanson, (510) 390-6312 or email [ddswanson@msn.com](mailto:ddswanson@msn.com) for details.

**The Coast Guard Aviation Association** (affectionately known as The Ancient Order of the Pterodactyl) will have their annual "Roost" in Sacramento, CA October 11-14, 2012. All aviation enthusiasts and air crews, both active and retired are invited to attend. This will be the 36th gathering and they are always well attended with lots of "stories" to entertain. It's also a time to recognize those air crews that have earned awards for their special contribution to Coast Guard Aviation. Please visit the Pterodactyl website for more information: <http://www.aoptero.org/>

Any Retired U.S. Coast Guard, Regular or Reserve, who would be interested in having lunch at 1300 hours on each Thursday in the Savannah, GA area, please contact Doug Burford at [hdburford@yahoo.com](mailto:hdburford@yahoo.com). There are no speeches, just good fellowship.

Any U. S. Coast Guard or NOAA member interested in having Breakfast the first Saturday of each month at 0900 in Wilmington, NC please contact Jack Wilson at [jlwsrw@bellsouth.net](mailto:jlwsrw@bellsouth.net). I promise no speeches, just good old fellowship, a good price and central location.

A few of us are trying to round up individuals who were stationed at Air Station Miami between 1980 and 2000. We are looking at a reunion in late October 2012. If interested, contact Gary Wood (ADC retired) or Michael Zalewa (AD1 retired) at either [wyav99@gmail.com](mailto:wyav99@gmail.com) or [zaap35@aol.com](mailto:zaap35@aol.com).

**USCGC SHERMAN (WHEC 720) Association** reunion will be held August 31—September 3, 2012 in San Diego, CA. Contact Richard Ames, 7866 Leymar Rd., Glen Burnie, MD 21060, (410) 760-6123. The unit website is: <http://uscgcshermanassociation.com/>

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# USCG Retirements

Name	Grade	Date of Retirement
AHART, TERRY	FS3	20120310
ALLEN, TARA	SN	20120410
AMEN, CHARLES	CDR	20120514
AMMONS, CODY	MK3	20120413
ANDERSON, JOSEPH	MKC	20120301
ANDREWS, HERBERT	CDR	20120501
ARMISTEAD, STEPHEN	AMT1	20120501
BALTZGAR, MICHAEL	SKC	20120501
BANKER, ROGER	MST1	20120301
BANNER, LOGAN	AST3	20120410
BARKER, JESSE	MK3	20120413
BAUGHMAN, COREY	MK2	20120401
BEASLEY, KELSEY	AMT1	20120401
BERNEY, LOUISE	LCDR	20120319
BOYCE, PAUL	FSCS	20120501
BOYD, RICHARD	LCDR	20120314
BREHENY, BRIAN	BMCS	20120401
BRISCOE, ODIE	CDR	20120405
BROCKUS, JEFFREY	CDR	20120401
BRUBAKER, RAY	MED3	20120419
BULLABOUGH, MATTHEW	YNC	20120401
CARLETON, STEPHEN	PACS	20120501
CITEK, PAUL	OSC	20120501
COLON, JAMES	AMT1	20120401
CONDRA, JAMES	MSSE4	20120401
CONNORS, JAMES	HSCS	20120501
COON, TIMOTHY	LT	20120401
CORNETT, DAVID	MSSD4	20120501
COTTRELL, LLOYD	BMC	20120401
DAMOTTA, JEFFREY	ASTCS	20120401
DANIELLY, GERALDINE	LT	20120501
DAVIS, ROBERT	SKCM	20120301
DAY, STEVEN	RADM	20120328
DEANDRADE, MANUEL	BM1	20120511
DELGADO, SALVADOR	MSTC	20120319
DILLMAN, ROBERT	DCCS	20120307
DISHONG, BRIAN	MKCS	20120501
DUNNING, MICHAEL	BMC	20120401
DUTER, DAVID	HS1	20120301
EILAND, JAMES	LCDR	20120501
ERVIN, BRAD	CDR	20120401
ESTEPA, ROBERT	PS2	20120408
ESTEVEZ, HANS	BM1	20120501
FALCON, THOMAS	BM2	20120323
FERGUSON, SHAWN	ETC	20120301
FREEHLING, THOMAS	BM3	20120403
GAGNER, RAYMOND	MK1	20120419
GARCIA, WAYNE	SKCM	20120501
GARRISON, DONALD	BM1	20120517
GEER, WILLIAM	BM2	20120521
GEISER, ROBERT	CDR	20120312
GIBB, NEIL	DCC	20120301
GOOD, ROBERT	GMCM	20120501
GOUCHOE, KYLE	ME3	20120501
GOVE, SCOTT	EM2	20120309
HAHN, NONA	YNC	20120401
HALL, JEFFREY	LCDR	20120501
HAMMOND, DEREK	YN1	20120501
HARRIS, MELVIN	PS1	20120503
HEDGES, JAMES	PSS3	20120323
HEFFNER, ROBERT	MSSD4	20120501
HENRY, MICHELLE	YNCM	20120401

Name	Grade	Date of Retirement
HINSHAW, CARL	LCDR	20120301
HOHMANN, FRANKLIN	MKC	20120301
HOLLAND, MICHAEL	CDR	20120301
HOOVER, DAVID	ASTCM	20120301
INAMA, CHRISTOPHER	F&S4	20120404
JONES, BERNICE	SK1	20120301
KAF, SOUHEILA	YN2	20120410
KARNA, PAUL	CDR	20120510
KULISCH, GAIL	CAPT	20120301
LAFON, CHARLES	FS1	20120309
LAMBERT, RICHARD	MKC	20120401
LANDRY, HAROLD	MSSD2	20120301
LANDY, FRANK	IT1	20120401
LAPE, KEVIN	LCDR	20120401
LAURA, ROBERT	PAC	20120413
LAWRENCE, EDWARD	BOSN4	20120401
LEVELS, MICHAEL	F&S3	20120501
LINKE, THOMAS	CDR	20120501
LOWERY, JEROME	ENG4	20120421
MADEN, CHRISTOPHER	ET2	20120430
MAHAN, ROLAND	AMT2	20120328
MALEPORT, TIMOTHY	MKCM	20120401
MARA, DAVID	MKC	20120416
MARTINE, ROBERT	BM1	20120301
MARUSICH, KYLE	CDR	20120301
MASTRIANNI, REBECCA	SKC	20120501
MAYNARD, JASON	OSC	20120301
MCCALL, CLARENCE	MK2	20120301
MCCLAY, GORDON	BMCS	20120301
MCCOWAN, BOBBY	MSTCS	20120520
MCCRACKEN, PATRICK	BM3	20120430
MCCUNE, BRANCE	ENG4	20120301
MCGUFFIN, DAVID	AETC	20120401
MCLAREN, LAWRENCE	ETCS	20120501
MC MILLION, ROGER	EM1	20120501
MEALER, KENNETH	YNC	20120301
MERRITT, DANIEL	SKC	20120501
MICELI, JOHN	CAPT	20120307
MILLER, DANIEL	DC1	20120505
MILLS, GREGORY	AMT1	20120301
MITCHELL, WILBERT	MKC	20120501
MONGE, HECTOR	PSS3	20120516
MOORE, DANNY	MSTC	20120401
OCONNOR, KENT	GM1	20120301
OHR, NORMAN	LCDR	20120426
ONEAL, JEREMY	DCC	20120301
ORLANDO, PAUL	MKCM	20120401
ORZECZOWSKI, RICHARD	MKC	20120501
OWEN, TESSA	OS3	20120430
PASS, JEFFREY	BMC	20120501
PEASE, MARK	MST2	20120225
PETERSON, SANDRA	LCDR	20120301
PIERCE, BARRY	BMC	20120501
PITTS, LARRY	PS2	20120501
PRIM, CHRISTA	EM1	20120501
PURINGTON, ROBERT	CDR	20120401
REAGAN, ALAN	CAPT	20120301
RENTE, MARIO	BMC	20120501
RINER, TIFFANY	YN1	20120501
ROBERTS, PAUL	ITCS	20120411

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ROBERTS, JERRY	PS1	20120225
ROBERTSON, DONALD	LT	20120501
RODDY, JAMES	BM1	20120501
RUDIBAUGH, KENNETH	MK1	20120501
RUGGIERO, RICHARD	MST1	20120423
SANFORD, MATTHEW	LCDR	20120301
SCHMELTZ, ROBERT	MK3	20120316
SCOTT, BRUCE	MSTCS	20120430
SHEA, TIMOTHY	LCDR	20120502
SHULTZABARGER, SCOTT	MSSE4	20120501
SIMPSON, JOHN	MLES4	20120320
STANHOPE, CHESTER	BM2	20120306
STEPHENS, MICHAEL	IVC	20120413
STEVENS, STERLING	BM1	20120301
STOHLMAN, ROBERT	CAPT	20120501
STONE, MICHELLE	YN2	20120330
STORMER, JOHN	ISCM	20120301
SUMRALL, THOMAS	SK1	20120228
SUTTON, TIMOTHY	LT	20120401
SWAN, TREVOR	EMC	20120501
THOMAS, GARY	CDR	20120301

THOMAS, PAUL	AMTCS	20120401
TRAUB, AMANDA	BM2	20120410
TREBELHORN, BRADLEY	AST2	20120401
TRIMBLE, CHRISTOPHER	AMT1	20120501
UPJOHN, DAVID	MST1	20120426
URBAN, JOHN	ETC	20120311
VANDERZYL, PETER	FSC	20120401
WEINERT, MICHAEL	LCDR	20120401
WHITT, NANCY	LCDR	20120517
WILDER, DAVID	PSC	20120420
WILLIAMS, GEORGE	DC2	20120316
WILLIAMS, GRADY	MST2	20120301
WILLOUGHBY, ROBERT	MSTC	20120301
WILSON, BILLY	MSSE4	20120501
WINDLEY, JAMES	PS1	20120326
WINTERS, JAMES	PERS4	20120301
YARBOROUGH, HENRY	FS1	20120501

**Congratulations to all**

## Going paperless with the TRDP

Enrollees in the TRICARE Retiree Dental Program (TRDP)\* can now sign up for paperless Explanation of Benefits (EOB) statements. Instead of mailing enrollees a paper EOB, Delta Dental will send an email alert whenever a new statement becomes available—and enrollees can access and view their EOBs online through the self-service Consumer Toolkit®, at their convenience. There are many reasons to sign up for paperless EOBs. Paperless EOBs are:

- ◆ Convenient: Enrollees are notified by email as soon as a new claim has been processed and can view their processed claim information immediately instead of waiting for their paper EOB to arrive in the mail.
- ◆ Clutter-free: Enrollees will not have any more papers to keep track of or file.
- ◆ Secure: Electronic records are maintained and available to the enrollee for seven years.
- ◆ Good for the environment: Electronic EOBs reduce paper waste and the emissions that go along with printing and mailing paper copies.

Signing up for paperless EOBs is easy. The enrollee simply logs on to the [Consumer Toolkit®](#) at [ddfptoolkits.com/ipWeb/appmanager/ct/desktop](http://ddfptoolkits.com/ipWeb/appmanager/ct/desktop), then selects the “Go Paperless” option. Enrollees who have not yet registered to use the Consumer Toolkit® can visit the “Current Enrollee” section of the website at [trdp.org/enr/index.html](http://trdp.org/enr/index.html), select “Manage Your Benefits Online” at the top right-hand side of the page, and follow the instructions to register as a new user; then, all they have to do is log on to the toolkit using their new username and password, and select the “Go Paperless” option. Once enrollees receive an email notification that a claim has been processed, they just click on the link in the email and log on to the Consumer Toolkit® to view their latest EOB. Those who are not yet enrolled in the TRDP can [enroll online](#) at [trdp.org/pro/enroll.html](http://trdp.org/pro/enroll.html) and provide their email address to receive their new enrollee Welcome Packet materials and future EOB statements electronically, as well.

In addition to this new paperless EOB feature, the TRDP already offers enrollees the ability to view and print program materials and forms; receive monthly and quarterly program updates via email; contact Delta Dental electronically by completing the online Customer Service Inquiry Form, and receive a prompt response to their inquiry by email; locate a network dentist using the online Dentist Directory; and manage their TRDP enrollment using the myriad of self-service options available through the TRDP website, automated telephone system, and Consumer Toolkit®.

*\*Only the subscriber or primary enrollee can sign up for electronic Explanation of Benefits (EOB) statements. All EOB statement notifications for all family members enrolled under the subscriber or primary enrollee will be sent to the subscriber or primary enrollee's email address.*

<b>U. S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY</b> U. S. Coast Guard CG-3600 (Rev. 02-10)		<b>DESIGNATION OF BENEFICIARY FOR PAYMENT OF UNPAID RETIRED PAY</b>		
1. Name (First, Middle, Last):		2. Grade/Rate:	3. Employee ID:	
Under the provisions of Section 2771, Title 10, U.S. Code, and 4 CFR Part 34, you may designate whomever you wish to receive unpaid retired pay due at the time of your death.  I HEREBY designate the following beneficiary(ies) to receive retired pay due and payable at my death. I am aware that under the provisions of Section 2771, Title 10, U.S. Code, and 4 CFR Part 34, this designation will remain in effect unless canceled or changed by me.				
<b>4. Designated Beneficiary/Beneficiaries (See examples on reverse)</b>				
NAME (First, Middle Initial, Last)/SSN	Relationship	Address (Including Zip Code) And Phone Number (Including Area Code)	Date Of Birth (DDMMYYYY)	SHARE (Total Must Equal 100%)
a.				
Social Security Number:				
b.				
Social Security Number				
c.				
Social Security Number				
d.				
Social Security Number				
5. Date	6. Signature Of Retired Member		7. Signature Of Witness	
8. Current Address (Including Zip Code) And Phone Number (Including Area Code) Of Retired Member			9. Address Of Witness (Including Zip Code) And Phone Number (Including Area Code)	
If none of the above beneficiaries survive you, or if you have not designated a beneficiary at the time of your death, pay that is due and payable will be paid in the following order of precedence: (1) Surviving spouse. (2) Children and their descendants, by representation. (3) Father and mother in equal parts or, if either is dead, the survivor. (4) Legal representative. (5) Person entitled under the law of the domicile of the deceased member.  When doubt exists as to the person(s) properly entitled to payment, settlement will be made by the Defense Office of Hearings and Appeals (DOHA).				
MAIL TO: <b>COMMANDING OFFICER (RAS)</b> <b>USCG PAY &amp; PERSONNEL CENTER</b> <b>444 SE QUINCY ST</b> <b>TOPEKA KS 66683-3591</b>			<b>If any of your designated beneficiaries dies, or if you divorce, you must submit a new CGPPC-3600 form immediately.</b>	
SEE PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT ON REVERSE				

## EXAMPLES OF DESIGNATIONS

### How to designate one beneficiary:

NAME (First, Middle Initial, Last)	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS (Including ZIP Code) AND PHONE NUMBER (Including Area Code)	DATE OF BIRTH	SHARE (Total must equal 100%)
Jane L. Doe*	Sister	2808 Southern Ave. Williams IN 46728 785-339-3415	07JUL1965	100%
Social Security Number: 123-45-6789				

### How to designate MORE than one beneficiary:

NAME (First, Middle Initial, Last)	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS (Including ZIP Code) AND PHONE NUMBER (Including Area Code)	TELEPHONE (Including Area Code)	SHARE (Total must equal 100%)
Jane L. Doe**	Aunt	110 Prince St. Anniston NY 14607 785-339-3415	13JUL1950	25%
Social Security Number: 123-45-6789				
Jenny P. Doe	Niece	230 Duke St. Anniston NY 14607 785-339-3415	20JUL1992	25%
Social Security Number: 123-45-6789				
Janet F. Doe	Mother	2301 State St. Weaver OH 44405 785-339-3415	26JUL1949	50%
Social Security Number: 123-45-6789				

### How to designate a contingent beneficiary:

NAME (First, Middle Initial, Last)	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS (Including ZIP Code) AND PHONE NUMBER (Including Area Code)	DATE OF BIRTH	SHARE (Total must equal 100%)
John R. Doe, if living	Father	244 S. Ann St. Olney, GA 31204 785-339-3415	07JUL1949	100%
Social Security Number: 123-45-6789				
Otherwise to: Jane L. Doe	Sister	2808 Southern Ave. Williams IN 46728 785-339-3415	07JUL1965	100%
Social Security Number: 123-45-6789				

- \* **Do not** write name as J. L. Doe or as Mrs. John H. Doe.
- \*\* Be sure that the shares to be paid to the several beneficiaries add up to 100%.

Any "collection of information" as defined in the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (codified at 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq) on this form has not been approved by the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and does not display a valid control number assigned by the Director. Therefore, no person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with any such collection of information."

### PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

**Authority:** Collection of this information is authorized by: 10 U.S.C. 2771; DOD Financial Management Regulation, Volume 7B, Chapter 30; and E.O. 9397.

**Purpose:** The purpose in collecting this information is so that a military retiree can designate a beneficiary to receive any retired pay owed upon his or her death.

**Routine Uses:** The information will be used by the Coast Guard to determine distribution of final pay arrears upon your death.

**Disclosure:** Disclosure of this information (including your beneficiary's SSN) is voluntary; however, failure to furnish the requested information may delay payment of retired pay arrearages.



# TAPS

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	GRADE	DATE	CITY	STATE
ALPERS	ARDEN	ELC2	20120408	BLAINE	MN
AULT	GORDON	CWO4	20120316	KENTWOOD	LA
AYERS	WAYNE	CWO3	20120327	MACON	GA
BAHLE	MELVIN	LCDR	20120226	CHESTERFIELD	MO
BARCLAY	CHARLES	BMC	20120324	MESQUITE	NV
BEAL	HAROLD	BMC	20120228	JONESPORT	ME
BELISLE	RICHARD	BMC	20120412	KODIAK	AK
BELL	WILLIAM	BM2	20120408	WHITAKERS	NC
BERARD	ROGER	MKC	20120331	WESTPORT	MA
BERGERON	ROBERT	ENC	20120424	PINELLAS PARK	FL
BILLUPS	JAMES	BMCM	20120508	WELLBORN	FL
BLOOM	DENNIS	TT2	20120513	WARRENTON	OR
BOYCE	MARYLAND	SKCS	20120310	ELIZABETH CITY	NC
BREED	PAUL	CDR	20120225	LONG BEACH	CA
BROWER	GEORGE	CWO4	20120323	ARANSAS PASS	TX
BROWN	WILLIAM	EM2	20120302	GLEN BURNIE	MD
BRUSO	GEORGE	MK1	20120227	STURBRIDGE	MA
BURT	ERNEST	CAPT	20120320	ANNAPOLIS	MD
CARLOS	FRANCIS	FSC	20120402	HYANNIS	MA
CAVANAUGH	ROY	BMC	20120417	MOUNT AIRY	NC
CLIZBE	GARTH	CDR	20120425	SEATTLE	WA
COLON	XAVIER	MK1	20120512	HUMACAO	PR
COMBS	WILLIAM	MK1	20120426	JACKSONVILLE	NC
CONKLIN	THOMAS	YNCM	20120424	SMITHFIELD	VA
CONNERTON	BYRON	LCDR	20120421	MILWAUKEE	WI
COOK	ROBERT	BMCM	20120413	KEWADIN	MI
COSTAS	NICK	CDR	20120405	GUNTHERSVILLE	AL
COX	RONALD	ADC	20120501	WANCHESE	NC
CRUM	VOYD	BMC	20120309	BRACKETTVILLE	TX
DEDRICK	DONALD	CDR	20120224	DOVER PLAINS	NY
DEVEAU	PAUL	CAPT	20120425	FAIRFAX	VA
DINSMORE	OREN	CWO4	20120330	OCEAN SPRING	MS
DONNELL	CAS	PSC	20120412	SAN ANTONIO	TX
DOZIER-HALL	DEBORAH	CAPT	20120228	SPENCERVILLE	MD
DRUMTRA	KENNETH	DCCM	20120409	EL RENO	OK
DUBOIS	JOHN	LCDR	20120228	DEXTER	ME
FALOON	RANDALL	MK1	20120511	WARREN	ME
FOSTER	RUSSELL	CDR	20120315	GWYNN	VA
FRANKEN	JOSEPH	CWO4	20120509	SAN FRANCISCO	CA
GAIL	KENNETH	CAPT	20120510	MINNETRISTA	MN
GAY	DAVID	CWO4	20120510	FELTON	PA
GERBERG	TOM	FS1	20120423	PHOENIX	AZ
GISPERT	FERNANDO	CWO4	20120323	PHILADELPHIA	PA
GLASS	WILLIAM	CDR	20120320	ARLINGTON	VA
GOLLATTSHECK	JOSEPH	LCDR	20120402	NAVARE	FL
GRENIER	CALVIN	AT2	20120311	BATH	ME
HAFTMAN	CHARLES	YNC	20120302	OKLAHOMA CITY	OK
HAINES	STEVEN	BM2	20120428	PHOENIX	AZ
HANSON	WESLEY	CDR	20120314	BAKERSFIELD	CA

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LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	GRADE	DATE	CITY	STATE
<i>(TAPS continued from page 11)</i>					
HARRISON	HOWARD	BMC	20120321	COLORADO SPRINGS	CO
HAZEL	MICHAEL	LCDR	20120403	MESA	AZ
HERRINGTON	ALBERT	QMCM	20120304	NEWNAN	GA
HOLLIS	STEVEN	CAPT	20120305	NEW LONDON	NH
HOSEY	WILLARD	BMC	20120507	MABANK	TX
JEDRY	EDMUND	CAPT	20120224	SAN DIEGO	CA
JENSEN	RAYMOND	SKCS	20120327	MOBILE	AL
JOHNSON	JOHN	BMC	20120411	PALMERSVILLE	TN
JOHNSON	NILS	EMCS	20120303	KING	WI
JONES	KENNETH	AD2	20120327	CONCORD	NC
JOYCE	BENJAMIN	CAPT	20120413	VIRGINIA BEACH	VA
KING	KEITH	CDR	20120503	NORTH KONA	HI
KITCHELL	GEORGE	PSCM	20120403	HOMESTEAD	FL
KNIGHT	ANDREW	AET3	20120228	MOBILE	AL
KUBIK	ROBERT	DC2	20120317	GRANITE FALLS	NC
LAFON	MARSHALL	MKCS	20120503	PRINCETON	TX
LANE	GILBERT	SD1	20120303	OAKLAND	CA
LANGLEY	S	MK1	20120306	MILLS SPRING	NC
LARKIN	JOSEPH	BMC	20120226	FORT WORTH	TX
LEFTWICH	JAMES	LT	20120327	HEWITT	TX
LEWIS	KENNETH	MKC	20120422	SNEADS	FL
LIPSEY	ELMER	CDR	20120424	VIRGINIA BEACH	VA
LIVELY	KNOX	PSC	20120310	CHARLOTTE	NC
LOEFSTEDT	WILLIAM	CAPT	20120308	DAPHNE	AL
LONARDO	RICCARDO	CDR	20120304	METHUEN	MA
LONG	RICHARD	CAPT	20120307	LENARDTOWN	MD
LUCAS	CLARENCE	ATCS	20120325	GUYTON	GA
LUNDGREN	JEROME	CAPT	20120513	MAGNOLIA	DE
LUX	CARL	MKCS	20120404	FALLBROOK	CA
MARTIN	JOSEPH	CAPT	20120403	MENLO PARK	CA
MCCORMICK	DAVID	CWO4	20120303	GRAWN	MI
MCLAUGHLIN	PAUL	QMC	20120417	WARWICK	NY
MCPMAHON	CARL	SKCM	20120314	BROKEN ARROW	OK
METZGER	HERBERT	CWO2	20120414	BOTHELL	WA
MILLER	JEFFREY	BMC	20120326	MANISTEE	MI
MOLL	GILBERTO	EN1	20120316	FORT MYERS	FL
NARDUCCI	PAUL	MUC	20120329	NORWICHTOWN	CT
NECCO	JOHN	PO1	20120228	MIDDLETON	MA
OUELLETTE	ROBERT	GMC	20120412	DEERFIELD BEACH	FL
PALMER	GERALD	CWO4	20120312	DISCOVERY BAY	CA
PATTERSON	JOHN	CAPT	20120324	OAK HARBOR	WA
PEARSON	JAY	CAPT	20120427	MERCER ISLAND	WA
PETERS	JOHN	EMCM	20120403	VIRGINIA BCH	VA
PINER	JAMES	CDR	20120303	BEAUFORT	NC
POND	GERALD	CWO2	20120226	POTOSI	MO
QUINLAN	JAMES	GM3	20120423	FLORAL CITY	FL
RAWLS	HORACE	CWO3	20120327	GIG HARBOR	WA
REEVES	TIM	STC	20120514	WOODINVILLE	WA
REYNA	GILBERT	ITC	20120519	ROHNERT PARK	CA
RILEY	THOMAS	CDR	20120504	SANDWICH	MA
ROCKE	RAYMOND	PSCS	20120330	MESA	AZ
SANOK	GREGORY	CDR	20120421	CHIMACUM	WA
SAUNDERS	GEORGE	CDR	20120417	GRENADA	MS

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LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	GRADE	DATE	CITY	STATE
<i>(TAPS continued from page 12)</i>					
SCHUBERT	FREDERICK	RADM	20120313	MONTGOMERY	TX
SENEY	WILLIAM	LCDR	20120327	FITCHBURG	MA
SHEETS	GUY	MK1	20120317	HANAHAN	SC
SMITH	PAUL	CWO3	20120424	UNCASVILLE	CT
SMITH	WILLIE	MKCS	20120313	MELDRIM	GA
STALLWORTH	CHARLES	QMC	20120329	LOS ANGELES	CA
STANBERRY	DENNIS	QMCS	20120505	VIRGINIA BEACH	VA
STAUBYN	ROBERT	LCDR	20120225	AVON	OH
STECKER	CHARLES	CS2	20120322	PHILADELPHIA	PA
STOCKFLETH	RUSSEL	CWO4	20120301	GRESHAM	OR
STRUNK	ROBERT	CDR	20120418	SPRINGFIELD	OR
SUNDSTROM	GERALD	RMC	20120408	VIRGINIA BEACH	VA
SWAIN	CECIL	FTCM	20120308	BEAUFORT	NC
SWOPE	JOHN	BMC	20120327	OWENSBORO	KY
TANNER	ROBERT	AD1	20120302	LAKELAND	FL
TANNER	JOHN	BMC	20120318	BUSH	LA
TAYLOR	DALE	LCDR	20120228	SEMMES	AL
THORNBERRY	CLEVE	EMCS	20120410	MARIETTA	GA
TIRONE	THOMAS	PSC	20120229	GLENDALE	AZ
TRAIN	HARRY	RMC	20120411	TOLEDO	OH
TRESCOTT	EDWARD	CWO4	20120319	FINKSBURG	MD
TRIPP	BLANCHE	YNC	20120407	LAS VEGAS	NV
TWILLEY	ROBERT	BMC	20120510	ATLANTIC	VA
UTARA	ALFRED	CDR	20120304	STEWARTS TOWN	PA
VIOLA	ABERAHAM	BMC	20120419	HONOLULU	HI
VOLK	ROBERT	DC3	20120227	EASLEY	SC
WALTZ	DAVID	LCDR	20120321	AUSTWELL	TX
WARBURTON	RICHARD	HSCS	20120422	ST GEORGE	UT
WASSUM	THOMAS	CWO4	20120310	CALLAWAY	FL
WEST	FREDERICK	EN1	20120314	NEWARK	DE
WHIDDEN	CHARLES	PRC	20120425	PORT ANGELES	WA
WILLIAMS	MICHAEL	YNC	20120407	OKLAHOMA CITY	OK
WILLIAMS	JOHN	CDR	20120430	NEW ORLEANS	LA
WINGATE	TRACY	HSC	20120423	SUNRISE	FL
WINKLER	MICHAEL	CAPT	20120301	PARK HILL	OK
WOOD	GEORGE	CAPT	20120413	HOUSTON	TX
WYATT	GILBERT	QMCS	20120324	FLORENCE	MT

Member deaths will be updated monthly on the RAS website: <http://www.uscg.mil/ppc/retnews/taps.asp>.

## Notice for Survivors of RET-2 (Reserve) Retirees

For Ret-2 deaths, please notify PPC immediately. In several cases PPC was not notified until the member would have been age 60 and the annuitants lost benefits because the law only allows a 6 year window to apply for RCSBP benefits.

## Dependent TAPS

Name of Dependent	Relationship	Date of Death	Location
Sandra Lynn Hull	Wife of MK1 John W Hull, USCG, Ret	28 Feb 12	Tallahassee, FL
Elizabeth L Hedgpeth	Wife of CWO3 Robert Hedgpeth, USCG, Ret	11 Mar 12	Topsham, ME
Mayra Dodder	Wife of AMTC Kenneth Dodder, USCG, Ret	13 Oct 11	Weston, FL
Darlene Purcell	Wife of TTCM William B Purcell, USCG, Ret	13 Nov 11	Bethany, OK
Joan C Stuart	Wife of EMCM George H Stuart, USCG, Ret	30 Jan 12	Seattle, WA
Alice M Stoeltje	Wife of CDR Robert F Stoeltje, USCG, Ret	03 Jul 11	Seguin, TX
Melba K Pierson	Wife of BMC Robert Pierson, USCG, Ret	06 May 10	Kingman, AZ
Willard R Johnson, Sr.	Husband of YN1 Shirley A Johnson, USCG, Ret	25 Dec 11	Accokeek, MD
Linda L Hain	Wife of MKC Joseph Hain, USCG, Ret	25 Mar 01	Buffalo, NY
Eva L Morgan	Wife of AOCM William C Morgan, USCG, Ret, dec'd	30 Apr 12	Santa Fe, TX
Evelyn D Davis	Wife of CWO2 Kelsie J Davis, USCG, Ret	27 Mar 12	Redford, MI
Johnnie Smith Hall	Wife of GMC Walter James Hall, USCG, Ret	05 Apr 12	Grad Bay, AL
Shirle L Lappier	Wife of CWO3 Gary A Lappier, USCG, Ret	19 May 12	Port Angeles, WA
Barbara Hilliard	Wife of ASMCM Bobby Hilliard, USCG, Ret, dec'd	16 May 12	Fort Aglethorpe, GA
Juanita J Madson	Wife of CAPT Roger L Madson, USCG, Ret	30 May 12	Loudon, TN

If you have lost a loved one and would like their name printed in Dependent TAPS, please contact [PPC-DG-RAS@uscg.mil](mailto:PPC-DG-RAS@uscg.mil) with their name, date of death, your name and retired rank, and city/state of residence. RAS will make appropriate updates and then forward to The Coast Guard/NOAA Retirees' Newsletter Editor. Or you can send your request in writing and mail to: Commanding Officer (RAS), Pay & Personnel Center, 444 SE Quincy Street, Topeka, KS 66683-3591. You may also fax your request to (785) 339-3770.

### NOAA offers teachers new virtual estuaries science curriculum for middle school students

[Estuaries 101](#), the newest multi-media, online science curriculum for middle school students developed for teachers by NOAA, offers students a virtual field trip to one of 28 estuaries around the country.

The Estuaries 101 curriculum, now available [online](#), provides new interactive learning tools that teach fundamental concepts in science and develop scientific thinking skills while helping students discover and explore the nation's biologically rich estuaries.

Available free online through [NOAA's National Estuarine Research Reserve System](#) (NERRS) [Estuary Education website](#), the curriculum offers videos, access to user friendly real-time water quality and weather data, teacher activity downloads, and interactive maps to help students better visualize the inner workings of an estuary. The curriculum also meets National Science Education Standards for grades 5-8 and can be readily aligned to meet all state standards.

"What is special about this new curriculum is that it uses our nation's estuaries as an interactive classroom. Students can explore and discover the estuary while learning how to analyze data and apply this knowledge to their lives," said Atziri Ibanez, the system's national education coordinator.

The curriculum is divided into six units based on six estuary literacy principles — earth science, physical science, life science, the need for research and monitoring, human interaction, and stewardship. Some of the fifteen activities in the curriculum focus on topics such as sharks in the estuary, oil spills, mangroves, and oysters. A number of activities also help students understand how climate change is affecting estuaries.

NERRS is a network of 28 areas representing different biogeographic regions of the United States that are protected for long-term research, water-quality monitoring, education and coastal stewardship. Established by the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, the reserve system is a partnership program between NOAA and the coastal states and is part of the [NOAA Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management](#).

NOAA's mission is to understand and predict changes in the Earth's environment, from the depths of the ocean to the surface of the sun, and to conserve and manage our coastal and marine resources. Join us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and our other [social media channels](#).

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### USCG Birthday Celebration Central Florida

The Coast Guard Club of The Villages, FL will host a celebration of the Coast Guard's 222<sup>nd</sup> birthday at 1PM on Saturday, 4 August at the Lake Miona Regional Recreation Center @ 1526 Buena Vista Blvd in The Villages (no Villages' ID or gate pass required.) Buffet by La Hacienda catering, BYOB. There will be door prizes, music and a 50-50 raffle. *Advance ticket purchase is required.* For information on how to order tickets, send email to [USCGbirthday@aol.com](mailto:USCGbirthday@aol.com).

The National USCG-Pilipino American Military Retirees Association (PAMRA) will celebrate its 10th Reunion Tour in the Philippines on 13-26 January 2013. Founded in 1995, PAMRA started out with 20 CG members and has grown to nearly 1,000 members now. Our membership is composed of military retirees of Filipino ancestry from various services of the U.S. Armed Forces. Our fundamental goal is to promote friendship and camaraderie by holding a biennial reunion in the Philippines for the pleasure and amusement of our members, their families, and friends. Accompanied by professional tour guides, we visit historical, scenic, and beautiful resorts during daylight hours and stay at a 4 or 5 star hotel to rest in the evening for 12 nights/14 days of fun-filled vacation in paradise. The highlight of the PAMRA reunion tour is the Military Ball. It is highly anticipated and well attended by participants. In 2011, our former Coast Guard Commandant, Admiral Robert Kramek was the keynote speaker.

Visit our website at: [WWW.PAMRAREUNION.COM](http://WWW.PAMRAREUNION.COM) for details, or shoot me an email at [renovillanueva@cox.net](mailto:renovillanueva@cox.net) or [ireneo.d.villanueva@uscg.mil](mailto:ireneo.d.villanueva@uscg.mil) with your questions or comments.

The 2012 Guardsmen of Yesteryears Breakfast will be held on Sat. Nov 10th at the Chincoteague High School located at 4586 Main St., Chincoteague, Va. RADM David Callahan will be our guest speaker. Tickets or information can be obtained by contacting the following. Ticket cost is \$5. Doors open at 7 am for coffee, breakfast will be served at 8am.

David Lewis. 757 336 5909 or e mail [daviddebbie.lewis@gmail.com](mailto:daviddebbie.lewis@gmail.com)  
Wayne Merritt. 757 894 8240  
Jerry Tarr. 757 894 2317  
Kerry Bowden. 757 894 2449

3rd **USCGC Southwind** (WAGB-280) reunion for all former shipmates will be held from the 11th to the 14th of October 2012 in historic New London, CT. The reunion is *Southwinds* third official gathering of pass crewmembers in over 45 years, and to date many former shipmates from various periods of service aboard the Wind-Class icebreaker have expressed interest in attending the reunion. For more information please contact Ed Clancy at Southwind's website, [www.southwind280.com](http://www.southwind280.com) or at [clancyedward@bellsouth.net](mailto:clancyedward@bellsouth.net), (904) 242-9070, or by regular mail to 888 6th Street, Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250. When responding please provide a telephone number and email address where you can be reached, and please join the many other Southwind coasties for what will prove to be another outstanding time for all!

The **Spencer Association** annual reunion will be held September 20-23, 2012 In Washington, DC. Registration fee will be \$100 per person. For more information contact Bob Marzen at (570) 325-4414, (570) 401-1911 or (570) 325-2161 or e-mail [marzenh@netzero.net](mailto:marzenh@netzero.net)

### Letters to the Editor (cont.)

The Suncoast Chapter of the CWOA would like to thank all who donated to the monument fund for the Bushnell Florida Veterans Cemetery. Due to the generosity of those donations we are extending our goal to include placing a similar monument at the Sarasota Veterans Cemetery.



Any additional donations may be forwarded to Suncoast Chapter USCG CWOA c/o Bill Reetz, 1515 High Bluff Dr, Largo, FL 33770.

The Old Coast Guard Station Museum is seeking volunteer docents to give museum tours depicting the history of the early Coast Guard. The museum is housed in a 1903 Life-Saving Station on the Virginia Beach oceanfront. Training is provided.

If interested, please contact Darcy Nelson, Director of Volunteers at (757) 422-1587 or [education@oldcoastguardstation.com](mailto:education@oldcoastguardstation.com)

A website with an informative and resourceful page on the GI Bill and benefits is: <http://www.onlineschools.org/gi-bill-and-education-benefits/>

**Editor's notes****KEEPING RETIREE & ANNUITANT SERVICES INFORMED**

All retirees are reminded to inform PPC (RAS) as soon as possible following changes of marital status (divorce, death, annulment, marriage, just to mention some), death of a designated SBP beneficiary, or any other changes which could impact retired pay. Additionally, when you make a change with DEERS it **does not** constitute a change to your Retired Pay account since DEERS is a totally different system from RAS.

**STATE TAX REMINDER:** As a reminder when moving from one state to another and updating your home mailing address, don't forget to change your state tax withholdings. The retiree must request a change for state tax as an address change does not automatically change or stop the state information that the tax is being paid to.

**Send your reunion or other notices to:**

The Coast Guard/NOAA Retirees' Newsletter  
Commanding Officer (P&D)  
U.S. Coast Guard Pay & Personnel Center  
444 SE Quincy Street  
Topeka, KS 66683-3591

E-mail: [PPC-DG-RASNewsletter@uscg.mil](mailto:PPC-DG-RASNewsletter@uscg.mil)  
Phone: (toll free, U.S. only) 1-800-772-8724 or  
(785) 339-2236

**Coast Guard/NOAA Retiree Personnel Locator:** If you are searching for a Coast Guard/NOAA retired individual, we can help. Place your personal correspondence to that individual in a sealed envelope, making sure to include how they can get in touch with you. On the outside of that envelope, address it to them with their full name and rank/rate (for military). Please write your return address and attach a stamp on the envelope. Then, place that envelope in a larger envelope and address it to:

**Commanding Officer (RAS)  
USCG Pay & Personnel Center  
444 SE Quincy Street  
Topeka, KS 66683-3591**

RAS will complete the person's address and place it in the mail.

**Need a corrected DD-214?**

If your DD-214 is incorrect and you want a corrected form (DD-215), you need to send your request in writing to:

Commander (PSD-MR)  
Personnel Service Center  
US Coast Guard Stop 7200  
4200 Wilson Blvd, Ste 1100  
Arlington, VA 20598-7200

Please include your name, rank/rate, SSN/Employee ID, and date of retirement.

**More DD-214 information**

Great news for veterans—the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) has provided the following website for veterans to gain access to their DD-214 online: <http://vetrecs.archives.gov/>. This will cut the waiting time veterans have had in the past waiting for copies of their DD-214s. **Note:** This website does not allow you to see or print a copy of your DD-214 but does allow you to print the request form needed to mail or fax to NPRC for obtaining a copy of your DD-214.

**VA compensation payments and federal income taxes**

If you retired from the USCG or NOAA based on years of service and are later given a retroactive service connected disability rating by the VA, your retirement pay for the retroactive period is excluded from income up to the amount of VA disability benefits that you would have been entitled to receive. The form 1099R reports the entire distribution because the income, when paid, was taxable under the law.

**A corrected form 1099R which could support the decrease in taxable income will not be issued by PPC.** This policy is contained in the DOD Financial Management Regulations, VOL 7B and also is stated in the IRS instructions for form 1099R, which directs that the entire income distribution will be reported if a part is taxable and a part is not taxable.

Retirees who are affected by this policy should consult a tax preparer for assistance. The retiree should provide copies of the Form 1099R and the VA Award Letter to claim a refund of taxes paid on the excludable amount.

You may also claim a refund of any taxes paid on an excludable amount in previous years by filing an amended return on Form 1040X, subject to Statute of Limitations.

## Pay & Personnel Center, Retiree & Annuitant Services (RAS) - Directory Assistance

### Questions, Address or Direct-Deposit Changes

#### If you need information or have questions about:

- ◆ Your retired or Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) annuity payments
- ◆ Your Retired/Annuitant Statement
- ◆ IRS Form 1099R (reporting taxable income)

#### or you need to change:

- ◆ Your and your dependents home mailing address (for Retired/Annuitant Statement, newsletter, 1099R, correspondence)
- ◆ Your financial institution or account number for your direct deposit
- ◆ Report a change to your Designation of Beneficiary for Payment of Unpaid Retired Pay (Note: Use Form \*CG PPC-3600 Designation of Beneficiary for Payment of Unpaid Retired Pay)

You may make the requests listed above by **telephone**, by **fax** or in **writing**. Our telephone and fax numbers are:

Toll free: 1 800 772-8724  
Commercial: (785) 339-3415  
Fax: (785) 339-3770

### Allotments, SBP Coverage and Beneficiary Changes

#### If you need to:

- ◆ Start, stop or change an allotment (you may use Form \*CG PPC-7221 Retired Allotment Authorization Form, fax in the form or a written request, call us or send us an e-mail request). If you e-mail us with the request, your pay tech will call you to verify your information.
- ◆ Report a change to your Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) coverage (must be in writing)

You may **fax** your request to (785) 339-3770 or mail to:

Commanding Officer (RAS)  
USCG Pay & Personnel Center  
444 SE Quincy St  
Topeka, KS 66683-3591

(\* Note: forms available from our website  
<http://www.uscg.mil/ppc/forms>

**E-mail: PPC-DG-RAS@uscg.mil**

**Website: <http://www.uscg.mil/ppc/ras/>**

### Income Tax Withholding Changes

#### If you need to:

- ◆ Start or change the amount of State Tax Withholding (Retirees can call, e-mail, fax or use \*IRS Form W-4, or state form. **If using IRS form, indicate that the form is for State Income Tax Withholding, not federal, which state it's for and the dollar amount to be withheld, (minimum amount is \$10.00, no cents).** We cannot withhold state tax for annuitants
- ◆ Change your Federal Income Tax Withholding (Retirees use Form W-4, Annuitants use Form W-4P)
- ◆ Change exemptions or additional withholding

Federal tax changes **must** be in writing. The original Form IRS W-4 or W-4P must be mailed to PPC (RAS) for action and filing, per IRS requirements. PPC (RAS) cannot accept a faxed W-4 or W-4P. Please mail to:

Commanding Officer (RAS)  
USCG Pay & Personnel Center  
444 SE Quincy St  
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(\*Note: forms available from our website  
<http://www.uscg.mil/ppc/forms>  
or directly from the IRS

### Report of Death

To report the death of a Coast Guard, NOAA retiree/annuitant or a Lighthouse keeper call:

Toll free: 1 800 772-8724  
Commercial: (785) 339-3415  
Fax: (785) 339-3770

#### Or write:

Commanding Officer (RAS)  
USCG Pay & Personnel Center  
444 SE Quincy St  
Topeka, KS 66683-3591

E-mail articles, dependent taps entries, reunion notices, etc., to **[PPC-DG-RASNewsletter@uscg.mil](mailto:PPC-DG-RASNewsletter@uscg.mil)** or call us at the numbers listed below (phone menu option #4). The deadline for the next issue is August 9, 2012.

**1 800 PPC-USCG/1 800 772-8724**

**If outside the U.S. (785) 339-3415**

## Other Important Phone Numbers and Websites

Medical/Dental Benefits	Phone	Websites/Notes
Eligibility (DEERS)/ID Cards	<b>1 800 538-9552 (TTY/TDD) 1 866 363-2883</b>	<a href="http://www.tricare.mil/deers">http://www.tricare.mil/deers</a>  In CA: 1 800 334-4162; In AK & HI 1 800 527-5602
Mail-Order Pharmacy	1 877 363-1303	<a href="http://www.tricare.mil/mybenefit/home/Prescriptions/FillingPrescriptions/TMOP">http://www.tricare.mil/mybenefit/home/Prescriptions/FillingPrescriptions/TMOP</a>
Retiree Dental Plan	1 888 838-8737	<a href="http://www.trdp.org">http://www.trdp.org</a>
TRICARE Overseas	1 888 777-8343	<a href="http://www.tricare.mil/mybenefit/home/overview/Regions/RegionsNonUS">http://www.tricare.mil/mybenefit/home/overview/Regions/RegionsNonUS</a>
TRICARE United States	phone numbers on their website	<a href="http://tricare.mil">http://tricare.mil</a>
TRICARE For Life	1 866 773-0404	<a href="http://www.tricare.mil/tfl/default.cfm">http://www.tricare.mil/tfl/default.cfm</a>
Senior Pharmacy Program	1 877 363-6337	<a href="http://tricare.mil/mybenefit/home/overview/Eligibility/WhoIsEligible/MedicareBeneficiaries">http://tricare.mil/mybenefit/home/overview/Eligibility/WhoIsEligible/MedicareBeneficiaries</a>
Federal Long-Term Health Insurance	1 800 582-3337	<a href="http://www.opm.gov/insure/ltc/">http://www.opm.gov/insure/ltc/</a>
CG Health Benefits Advisor	1 800 942-2422	
Veterans Benefits	Phone	Websites/Notes
Department of Veterans Affairs	1 800 827-1000	<a href="http://www.va.gov">http://www.va.gov</a>
Insurance Information	1 800 669-8477	<a href="http://www.insurance.va.gov">http://www.insurance.va.gov</a>
Veterans Group Life Insurance		<a href="http://www.insurance.va.gov/sglisite/vgli/vgli.htm">http://www.insurance.va.gov/sglisite/vgli/vgli.htm</a>
<b>New VGLI Applications and VGLI Reinstatements: OSGLI PO Box 41618 Philadelphia, PA 19176-9913</b>	1 800 419-1473 Overseas phone (973) 548-5699 Overseas fax # (973) 548-5300	<b>Death and accelerated benefits claims only:</b> Fax: 1 877 832-4943 All other fax inquiries: 1 800 236-6142 or e-mail: <a href="mailto:osgli.claims@prudential.com">osgli.claims@prudential.com</a> All other inquiries: <a href="mailto:osgli.osgli@prudential.com">osgli.osgli@prudential.com</a> <b>General Correspondence:</b> Office of Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance 80 Livingston Avenue Roseland, NJ 07068-1733
Federal Benefits for Veterans and Dependents	1 800 827-1000	<a href="http://www.va.gov/opa/vadocs/current_benefits.asp">http://www.va.gov/opa/vadocs/current_benefits.asp</a> VA Pamphlet 80-02-1
Headstones and Markers	1 800 697-6947	<a href="http://www.cem.va.gov/hm.htm">http://www.cem.va.gov/hm.htm</a>

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**Other Important Phone Numbers and Websites**

Other	Phone	Websites/Notes
Final Active Duty Pay	1 866 772-8724 Overseas (785) 339-2200	<a href="http://www.uscg.mil/ppc/ses/">http://www.uscg.mil/ppc/ses/</a> Commanding Officer (SES) USCG Pay & Personnel Center 444 SE Quincy St Topeka, KS 66683-3591
Contact PPC (SES) for information on Severance Pay, Separation Pay, Disability Severance Pay, LES's, IRS Form W-2.		
Travel Claims	1 866 772-8724 Overseas (785) 339-2200	<a href="http://www.uscg.mil/ppc/tvl.asp">http://www.uscg.mil/ppc/tvl.asp</a> Send final travel claim to: Commanding Officer (TVL) USCG Pay & Personnel Center 444 SE Quincy St. Topeka, KS 66683-3591
Service Records	(314) 801-0800	<a href="http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/">http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/</a> Write to: National Personnel Records Center Military Personnel Records 9700 Page Avenue St. Louis, MO 63132-5100
Veterans or next-of -kin of a <b>deceased</b> veteran can log on <a href="http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records">http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records</a> and make requests but all others must write in and include complete name, rank/grade, SSN, dates of service and date of birth of the veteran. <b>DD-214's are also available via the website.</b>		
Social Security	1 800 772-1213	<a href="http://www.ssa.gov">http://www.ssa.gov</a>
WWII U.S. Merchant Marine Awards and Decorations	(202) 366-2646	<a href="http://www.marad.dot.gov/contact_us.html">http://www.marad.dot.gov/contact_us.html</a> Attn: Patricia Thomas, Medal and Decorations Maritime Administration U.S. Department of Transportation 400 7th Street, SW Room 7304 Washington, DC 20590
National Coast Guard Retiree Council Help Desk Telephone/E-mail "HOTLINE"	1 866 664-6245* (toll free) or 1 202 475-5381  *enter 55381 when you hear the voice greeting	E-mail: <a href="mailto:NRHDesk@gmail.com">NRHDesk@gmail.com</a>

**ARE YOU NEARING YOUR 65<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY? IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR MEDICAL BENEFITS**

When you turn 65, your medical benefits will change. MEDICARE will become your primary medical coverage and TRICARE pays secondary to MEDICARE. You **MUST** enroll in MEDICARE PART B to retain your TRICARE coverage. If you are within 90 days of your 65<sup>th</sup> birthday, you should log on to <http://www.ssa.gov> or <http://www.medicare.gov> to enroll in MEDICARE PART B. Additional information can be found on the TRICARE web site at <http://www.tricare.mil/mybenefit/home/overview/Eligibility/WholsEligible?kw=Medicare+Beneficiaries> or by telephone to the TRICARE Information Center at 1-888-363-5433.

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