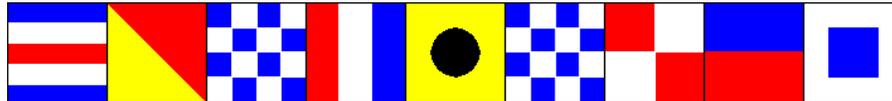




**Capital Area Coast Guard Retiree Council**  
***SERVICE CONTINUES***



**August 4**

**CG INFO**

**HAPPY COAST GUARD DAY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

**Commandant's Coast Guard Day Message**

Shipmates,

On August 4th we celebrate the 221st birthday of the U.S. Coast Guard.

Our Service started as a vision of Alexander Hamilton who wrote, "a few armed vessels, judiciously stationed at the entrances of our ports, might at a small expense be made useful sentinels of the laws." In 1790, President George Washington brought Hamilton's vision to life when he signed an act of the First Congress creating the Revenue Cutter Service.

Through our pride, professionalism and heroism we have carried Hamilton's design forward, all the while taking on increased responsibilities. We have broad authorities that allow us to serve the United States in ways that no other agency can do: we protect those on the sea, we protect America from threats delivered by sea, and we protect the sea itself.

Every day I am sustained by the enthusiasm, excitement and pride of being a member of our Service. For 221 years we have worked together to overcome challenges that often seem insurmountable. Sometimes the challenge is to return from a mission safely. Other times, it is to rescue and return survivors back to safety. The tenth anniversary of 9/11 next month is one of many reminders of why we must remain vigilant and stand a taut watch to ensure the safety, security and stewardship of our Nation and its waters.

As we celebrate Coast Guard Day I encourage the entire Coast Guard Family - active, reserve, civilian, retired, auxiliary and contractors - to take a moment and honor those who served before us to make the U.S. Coast Guard the premier maritime service it is today.

We are Coast Guardsmen. We work as a crew. We serve as a family.

This is our way. This is who we are. This is what we do.

Happy Birthday-Semper Paratus,

Admiral Bob Papp

**Don't Forget the CG Picnic on the 6<sup>th</sup> see flyer on Web page**

# Happy Birthday to the United States Coast Guard



Two hundred and twenty one years ago today, Congress created the U.S. Revenue-Marine to protect a vulnerable young nation's shores, on a date we now celebrate as the birthday of the United States Coast Guard.

Since then, generations of Americans have bravely served our oldest continuous seagoing service, keeping our homeland safe, protecting our maritime resources, and indeed benefitting every citizen regardless of whether we live on or near the water or far inland.

In fact, Admiral Bob Papp, Commandant of the United States Coast Guard, recently observed that, "In the past year, our citizens have witnessed the Coast Guard in action like never before," and I would add that this service extends far beyond our Nation's shores.

From the six cutters and 700 Coast Guardsmen who support operations in the Arabian Gulf, to the men and women fighting piracy off the coast of Africa, to counter-drug operations in the Caribbean and Eastern Pacific, the Coast Guard's global impact continues to grow, all the while keeping our people, our ports and our waterways safe, by responding to situations as diverse as the unprecedented oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico to the flood ravaged Ohio and Mississippi River Valleys this spring.

From humble beginnings, the United States Coast Guard has emerged as a model within our government and, indeed, around the world. I am so very proud to serve with you and your families who make possible everything their loved ones do for our Nation.

The Joint Chiefs and I salute the extraordinary men, women, and families of our United States Coast Guard, Reserve and Auxiliary. America is safer and more secure because of you.

Happy Birthday ... and Semper Paratus!

Happy 221st Birthday from ROA



*United States Coast Guard  
1790 - 2011*

*Happy 221st birthday  
from your friends at the  
Reserve Officers Association*

As the U.S. Coast Guard celebrates a history spanning two centuries, we at ROA offer our appreciation to the dedicated men and women of the service who remain true to their slogan "Semper Paratus (always ready)." Thanks for all you do!



*Visit us at [www.roa.org](http://www.roa.org)*

### **Military Retiree Appreciation Day at Fort Belvoir**

A Military Retiree Appreciation Day at Fort Belvoir is scheduled for Saturday, 17 September at the Defense Acquisitions University, Bldg 226, from 0900-1400.

[http://www.belvoir.army.mil/dhr/retirement\\_office.asp](http://www.belvoir.army.mil/dhr/retirement_office.asp)

### **ADM Thad Allen, USCG (Ret) to be Keynote Speaker at Homeland Security Symposium**

The 2011 Homeland Security Symposium September 26-27, 2011 Sheraton National Hotel Arlington, VA "Disasters: Preparing, Surviving and Responding to Dynamic Threats" Keynote Speaker:- ADM Thad Allen, USCG (Ret), Senior Fellow, Rand Corporation  
Registration <http://www.ndia.org/meetings/1490>.

### **Annual Capitol Area Retiree Council Holiday Party Scheduled**

**Mark your calendar.** Plans are underway for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Party, 4 December 2011, 4-6PM. COST: \$30.00 per person

If you wish to attend please respond by E-mail reply to [PaulPeak@aol.com](mailto:PaulPeak@aol.com). Please provide your Name, Address, Home Telephone Number, E-mail address, and name of accompanying spouse and/or guests, and make the subject of your E-mail "SEMPER PARTY". Please confirm your

reservations by mailing a check covering payment for the party to:

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McLean, VA 22101-4807

### **The 2011 Commandant's Ball 04 November 2011**

The 2011 Commandant's Ball is 04 November 2011 at the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center Uniform: DDBs for 04 & above; FDBs for 03 and below; Black Tie for Civilians Tickets go on sale 07 September 2011 at CGHQ and other NCR facilities.

### **Retiree Council Saddened to Learn of Death of DCC Clyde W. 'Bill' Allen, USCG RET**

Most, if not all of you had heard about the passing of ADM Allen's father, DCC Clyde W. 'Bill' Allen, USCG Retired. For those of you who met or knew ADM Allen, you know how proud he was of his father's service - and growing up in the Coast Guard and becoming a "Chief's Kid.

The letter below was forwarded by the president of the CPOA.

From: Wanda Allen-Yearout

Date: August 2, 2011 9:14:04 PM GMT-07:00

To: President, CPOA

Dear Chief Trimble,

I am writing to thank you for putting my father's picture on the cover of the July 2011 magazine. He would be so proud! I went over to help my mother with some chores, one of which is to answer the mail and pay bills. She handed me a large envelop and said it was Dad's latest CPOA magazine. I took it with the rest of the pile and thought it was one more place I need to notify to stop sending him mail. When I got home later and opened the envelop, I was speechless. There he was on the cover. He loved this magazine and poured over each issue. He would circle all his old pals in the TAPS section and tell me about serving with them. So I turned to the TAPS section and there he was, the very first one. I'm wondering if there's another Chief somewhere looking at his magazine and telling his children he knew my father.

When Tom was stationed at Coast Guard Headquarters we lived in Springfield, VA. During his first visit to us there he wanted me to take him to the CPOA office. I agreed and drove him there. He walked in and start talking to everyone in the office like he had always known them. Then we had to go find his brick. We had quite an afternoon there.

My father enjoyed having a cool one and swapping sea stories at the CPOA conventions and ship reunions. I'm sure some of you will remember I brought him to the CPOA convention in Houston and carried on the tradition in the hotel pub. He always carried a folder to those events with pictures and memorabilia that he showed to anyone who would listen. I know he's walking around up there with his folder and this issue of THE CHIEF is on the top for all to see.

Yours in gratitude,

Wanda Allen Yearout

**Job Opportunity for a recently retired USCG CDRLCDR with experience in marine safety, environmental protection and security program administration.**

Dominica Maritime Registry, Inc., Fairhaven, MA., the international ship registry for the Commonwealth of Dominica, needs a recently retired USCG LCDR/CDR with experience in marine safety, environmental protection and security program administration. The incumbent serves as A maritime technical specialist. Minimum 4 years experience in administration, with minimum 2 years in supervisory position required. This position is full time. Position description upon request.

Send resume to:

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**Reserve Chiefs Press for More DOD Call-Up Authority**

Reserve-component leaders made the case this week for legislative changes that would give Defense Secretary Leon E. Panetta more flexibility in using Guard and reserve members to support theater security cooperation and other military missions around the world.

Testifying before the House Armed Services Committee's military personnel subcommittee, the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard leaders cited the reserve components' vast experience supporting a broad array of contingency missions.

Particularly in light of looming budgetary constraints, they said, it's foolhardy not to enable the Defense Department to take full advantage of these capabilities.

DOD has asked for authority to mobilize up to 60,000 reserve-component members involuntarily for 365 days to support unnamed operations other than war.

Under current law, Guardsmen and reservists must use annual training days for these missions. This, officials said, limits not only what operations they are able to support, but also how effective the engagement can be.

Air Force Gen. Craig R. McKinley, the National Guard Bureau chief, said changing current call-up authorities will provide DOD "assured access" to reserve-component forces. "This proposal would ensure the secretary of defense can support combatant commanders' needs for missions other than war," he told the panel.

State adjutants general are staunch supporters of the plan, Army Maj. Gen. Raymond W. Carpenter, chief of the Army National Guard, told the panel.

“It will allow for the continued critical contributions of our soldiers and units and the effective use of soft power that is theater security and cooperation in the hope of reducing the possibility of a mobilized military response in the future,” he said.

The proposal “signifies a fundamental shift in the use of the reserves,” noted Vice Adm. Dirk J. Debbink, chief of the Naval Reserve. It recognizes, he said, the “high level of expertise resident in our Guard and Reserve forces,” as well as reserve-component members’ desire to “continue performing real and meaningful work within the ... total force.”

Lt. Gen. Jack C. Stultz, the Army Reserve chief, said the measure also will help retain members not content to sit on the sidelines.

Reservists say they want three things: predictability so they can balance their civilian and military responsibilities, meaningful training, and relevant missions, Stultz told the panel.

“Use me. Don’t put me back on the shelf,” he said his soldiers tell him. “And that’s why this access issue is such a key issue. ... We’ve got to continue to use them in a meaningful way, or otherwise we’ll lose them and we can’t afford to lose that national treasure.”

In light of the reserve components’ increasing role in global operations -- a role likely to expand if Congress makes the legislative changes requested -- Air Force Reserve Chief Lt. Gen. Charles E. Stenner Jr. said it’s critical that these forces have sufficient manpower and resources to stay mission-ready.

“In a time of constrained budgets and higher costs, in-depth analysis is required to effectively prioritize our needs,” he said. “We must all appreciate the vital role that reserve components play in supporting our nation’s defense and concentrate our resources in areas that will give us the most return on our investment.”