

**STURGEON BAY Newsletter**  
**4th Quarter, FY 09**  
(July, August, September 2009)



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**STURGEON BAY**



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### STURGEON BAY and crew sponsor Coast Guard recruit company T-181, Cape May NJ



*Great  
Job!!*

**STURGEON BAY and the crew sponsored recruit company T-181 last summer. The mentor program proved to be a huge success. The cutter moored twice over the summer to allow the recruits an opportunity to board the cutter, meet the crew and experience a bit of sea life. Top Photo: T-181 on graduation day. Mid Photo: Family and Friends gather after graduation. Right Photo: BMC Babcock delivered a speech to all the recruits at graduation. He led the program from start to finish. Bravo Zulu Chief!!**



**Chief Babcock delivers speech at T-181's graduation ceremony. Chief was the company sponsor and mentor.**

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### **STURGEON BAY continues to support local education through Partnership in Education.**

The crew of STURGEON BAY again supported local schools through the Partnership In Education Program (PIE). STURGEON BAY devoted over 100 hours to the PIE program. One new Naval Sea Cadet Division was added to STURGEON BAY's program (the YANKEE Squadron). In addition, STURGEON BAY sponsored the West Orange Junior Police Academy. As part of the PIE program STURGEON BAY sponsored essay contests and the science fair at the Clarendon, Huber Street and Highland Ave Middle Schools. The winners of these events were awarded a day aboard the cutter with their family and friends.



*Top Left: LT Rae poses with one of the essay contest winners from the Secaucus School District. The contest was focused on the 6th grade level. Top Right: Members from the YANKEE Squadron of the Naval Sea Cadets depart STURGEON BAY after a day underway. Far Left Photo: Essay contest winner from the Secaucus School District. Near Right Photo: Students from the West Orange Junior Police Academy enjoy a day underway. Bottom left: Family and friends from the 8 essay contest and science fair winners enjoying a day underway as part of STURGEON BAY'S Partnership in Education program.*

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### STURGEON BAY leaves NYC to work in the Boston area for a week.



**STURGEON BAY** had a great trip to the Boston area and proved to be very useful with various events and operations. Top left photo: **STURGEON BAY** was the Patrol Command Vessel for the escort of the M/V Matthew carrying dangerous cargo. Top right photo: **STURGEON BAY** was the back drop for the District One Change of Command and the retirement of RADM Gabel. Above photo: Boston Lighthouse, oldest lighthouse site in the nation. Bottom left: **STURGEON BAY** hosted officers from all 5 branches of the military as part of a emergency preparedness exercise held in Boston.



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### Award ceremony held to recognize the crew!!



**STURGEON BAY** and crew held a special awards ceremony on the fantail of the cutter to celebrate the hard work of the engineering crewmembers, to recognize good conduct and to award the permanent cutterman insignia. CDR Moser from CG Sector New York was aboard the cutter to present the awards and recognition to all of the deserving members. Top left photo: CDR Moser and LT Rae present Chief Beery the Good Conduct Medal. Left Photo: CWO4 Brady and LT Rae share a laugh during the ceremony. CWO4 Brady is the engineering officer aboard **STURGEON BAY**. Bottom left: CDR Moser congratulates each member of the engineering department as they all received the COMDT's Letter of Commendation. Below: FS2 Runn is awarded the permanent cutterman insignia.



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### Crew photos from Summer patrol



All photos courtesy of Petty Officer Seth Johnson, CG Public Relations Office Manhattan



*Top left photo: SN Cory presents morning colors.  
Top right photo: BM3 Hodgson runs the small boat deck during a small boat evolution. Middle left photo: BMC Babcock and SN Asire underway transporting law enforcement team while conducting boardings in the Hudson River. Above photo: LTJG Sauerbrunn and MK3 Walden conduct a boarding aboard a pleasure craft in Albany NY. Bottom left photo: Crewmembers complete survival swim in the Hudson River. Rescue Swimmer training conducted simultaneously.*

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# Look what the crew is up to!

*Congratulations to ALL of the STURGEON BAY crewmembers!! They have been so very busy with ships work, operations, qualifications, transfers and promotions. GREAT JOB!!!!!!*



*Top left photo: MK3 Walden receives his Inport watch stander qualification from LTJG Sauerbrunn. 2nd*



*Left: BM3 Flannelly receives the Helm/Lookout and Inport OOD qualification. 3rd*



*Left: BM1 Marston receives the Inport and Anchor watch qualification, in addition the*



*coxswain certification. 4th left: FS2 Runn receives the*



*Helm/Lookout and Inport OOD qualification.*

*Top photo: SN Cory receives the JOOD qualification and completed the SEOPS program. He also received the cutterman insignia. Above left: LTJG Sauerbrunn presents SN Asire with the Sailor of the Quarter honors. Above right: SN Moralez discusses his recent JOOD qualification with CDR Moser.*



*Bottom right photo: BM3 Hodgson receives the Helm/Lookout and Inport OOD qualification.*



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### Crew/Cutter News

- SN Asire completed the JOOD qualification and completed the SEOPS program and received the Temp Cutterman insignia. He was also selected as Sailor of the Quarter for the 4th Quarter of FY 2009, GREAT JOB!!
- STURGEON BAY welcomed aboard BM3 Hodgson.
- MK3 Walden received the Inport watch qualification.
- FS2 Runn received the Helm/Lookout qualification and the Inport OOD qualification. FS2 also received his Permanent Cutterman insignia, Congratulations!!
- BM1 Marston received the Inport and Anchor Watch Qualification, also received the Coxswain certification.
- FN Wilburn received the Sea Service Ribbon.
- EM3 Hoyte received the Good Conduct Medal.
- EMC Beery received the Good Conduct Medal.
- BM3 Flannelly received the Helm/Lookout qualification and the Inport OOD certification.
- BM3 Hodgson received the Helm/Lookout qualification and the Inport OOD certification.
- SN Cory received the Temp Cutterman insignia, completed the SEOPS program and received the JOOD qualification.
- SN Morales received the JOOD qualification.

**Congratulations to everyone and for ALL the hard work this past 3 months. It is very clear that the cutter and the crew are working very hard and continue to be the very best crew in the fleet!**



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# Welcome aboard to our newest Crewmembers!!!!

## *FN Lincoln Sprague & FN David Nelson*



*Left: FN Lincoln Sprague reported aboard STURGEON BAY in October from recruit company E-182. Right: FN David Nelson reported aboard STURGEON BAY in October from recruit company G-182.*



*FN Lincoln Sprague is from Coeur d'Alene, in Northern Idaho. He comes from a large family, he has 3 brothers and 2 sisters-he is the youngest. His birthday is December 13, 1985. He graduated from Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy in June of 2004. After High School he attended NYU and graduated in June of 2008 with a degree in Economics. On October 2nd, 2009 Lincoln graduated from Coast Guard recruit training in Cape May NJ. He was part of company E-182. There he won the physical fitness award and was also part of the band. His favorite color is red and would prefer chicken and dumplings as his favorite meal. His favorite mode of transportation would be by motorcycle, specifically a Norton Commando (British). Lincoln's favorite vacation spot is the Canadian Gulf Islands and the coolest thing he ever did was live in Germany for a year.*

*FN David Nelson is from Marion, New York which is about 350 miles to the north of Bayonne NJ. He comes from a large family also which consists of 2 brothers and 2 sisters. His birthday is December 20, 1990. He graduated from Marion High School in June of 2009. On October 16, 2009 David graduated from Coast Guard recruit training in Cape May, NJ. He was part of company G-182. There he was part of the drill team. His favorite color is red and would prefer Steak, baked potato and corn on the cob as his favorite meal. His favorite mode of transportation would be by a 1969 Mustang. David's favorite vacation spot is Beaver River located in the Adirondacks. The coolest thing he ever did was join the Coast Guard and graduate with all of his family present to see.*

**WELCOME ABOARD TO BOTH OF YOU!  
WE ARE LUCKY TO HAVE YOU ABOARD.**

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### From the Commanding Officer

Hello to all of the STURGEON BAY family and friends! Without a doubt three of the fastest months have gone by once again. It seems like I just finished writing this message only a few days ago. STURGEON BAY had a very busy summer. We traveled as far south as Cape May NJ, to as far North as Rockland Maine. We covered all the waters in-between. It was an exciting summer traveling up and down the coast, in addition to celebrating the 400th Anniversary of the Hudson River. STURGEON BAY also made a stop at Governors Island, the first time the cutter had moored there since Governors Island closed over 13 years ago. We are gearing up for ice breaking now, hoping for a very cold and frozen winter!! Yes, I am hoping for a bad winter, lots of ICE!!! Thank you. LT Rae

*Far Top Right: The QUEEN MARY arrived in NYC as STURGEON BAY patrolled the river during the United Nations General Assembly. Immediate right photo: D1 Commander, RADM Nimmich aboard STURGEON BAY for lunch and he presented SN Asire the cutterman insignia.*

*Bottom right photo: Local news channel along with a local newspaper were aboard STURGEON BAY filming and interviewing crewmembers for a story that aired in September. STURGEON BAY has developed excellent relationships with the media.*



*Three left photos: This raft was stopped by STURGEON BAY in the Hudson River. These men sailed over 225 miles while enroute NYC.*



*Sunsets and sunrises observed from STURGEON BAY during patrols throughout the northeast.*