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NEW SELF SERVICE FUNCTIONALITY - OCTOBER 2010

The Retiree and Annuitant Self Service application is being expanded in October 2010 to allow you to:

- ◆ Update your Email address(es).
- ◆ Elect to discontinue receiving Pay Slips by mail.

To update your Email address(es), on the Self-Service content page, click the "View/Change My Email Address" link. You will then receive the following screen. Enter your Email information. If you choose to list more than one Email address, you must select one as a primary address. Please be sure to Save before leaving the page.

My Email

Email Type	Email Address	Preferred Address?	Delete
Business	John.Smith@uscg.mil	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="button" value="Delete"/>
<input type="button" value="Add Email Address"/>		<input type="button" value="Add"/>	<input type="button" value="Save"/>

To opt out of receiving mailed Pay Slips, on the Self-Service content page, click the "Change My Delivery Options" link. When the following screen appears, uncheck the box next to "I elect to receive my Pay Slip by mail". Please be sure to Save before leaving the page.

Delivery Options

Select options for delivery of communications.

I elect to receive the Retiree Newsletter by mail
 I elect to receive my Payslip by mail

* By unchecking the checkbox, you are electing to NOT receive a mailed Newsletter or Payslip, which will save printing and postage costs. You still have the ability to review the Newsletter on-line at: [Retiree and Annuitant Services \(RAS\) Branch Page](#), and to view your Payslip online through [View My Payslip](#).

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CO's Corner –

Greetings from Topeka, Kansas where the heat of summer has cooled, the sunflowers are blooming beautifully and the promise of excellent fall weather is right around the corner.

I am continually impressed with our team of dedicated customer service representatives in our Retired and Annuitant Services Branch and their leadership. They provide great service to a customer base of over 50,000 people with a crew of only 23, and do a tremendous job. Please let them know you appreciate their service to you in your next call to them, and be sure to fill out one of our customer service surveys on our web site to tell us about your experience.

I just returned from a meeting with the Veteran's Administration and Defense Finance and Accounting Service and am able to report continued but slow progress in updating our relationship with them. We are making headway on our sharing of data to make proper payments to our joint customers, and very importantly to avoid overpayments to members who may have had a retroactive change to their VA disability status. Another important item to note is that enrollment in the new gray area retiree health program, TRICARE Retired Reserve Select (TRR), will begin on 1 September. Those who enroll in September should be able to start coverage in October. DOD provided a waiver to allow the providers to keep their implementation schedule on track. Retirees who wish to purchase TRR coverage should make sure their eligibility information is correct in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) as they transition into the gray area. For more information please go to <http://www.tricare.mil/trr/>.

We have implemented many self service options and are encouraging members to take advantage of electronic alternatives, but rest assured we will always be available by phone and will continue to mail hard copy statements and newsletters to those that may not have ready computer access or are just not comfortable performing transactions on line.

That is all for now. Please enjoy your fall season wherever you may be located, and don't forget to check out our PPC web site <http://www.uscg.mil/ppc/ras/> Thank You!

PPC values are: Customers First; Committed to Employees; Stewardship and Integrity.

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COAST GUARD RETIREES AND FOREIGN EMPLOYMENT

The U.S. Constitution has a provision (the last paragraph of Section 9 of Article I) that prohibits Federal Government officials from receiving compensation from foreign governments without the consent of Congress. It reads:

"And no Person holding any Office of Profit or Trust under them, shall, without the Consent of the Congress, accept of any present, Emolument, Office, or Title, of any kind whatever, from any King, Prince, or foreign State."

This has been interpreted to include retirees and inactive duty reservists of the Uniformed Services that are employed either directly by foreign governments or indirectly by companies, corporations, or other instrumentalities owned or controlled by foreign governments, including work in an overseas corporation or entity that is under contract to a foreign government. Two Federal laws have been passed that grants blanket Congressional approval on the condition that the retiree/reservist get the permission of the Secretary concerned (in the CG's case, SECDHS) and the Secretary of State (DoS). One statute covers civil employment by foreign governments (title 37 USC 908) and another is for foreign military service (title 10 USC 1066). In all cases involving CG retirees we have only worked through the provisions for civil employment by foreign governments. CG-1222/CG-131 exercises the delegated Secretarial authority for COMDT.

The administrative requirement for CG personnel to gain approval for foreign government approval is in PERSMAN Chapters 12.C.18.F and 16.L. Member sends letter to Commandant (CG-1222) (active duty & RET-1 reserve retirees) or Commandant (CG-131) (inactive duty & RET-2 reservists) to request approval to work for a foreign government. The letter must contain the following information:

- Country of Foreign Employment;
- Name of company, and relationship of company to the foreign government;
- Statement whether foreign citizenship is a condition of employment (Is it required? Is it being considered?);
- Statement whether an oath of allegiance to the foreign government required;
- Job title and brief description of duties;
- Anticipated duration of employment;
- Statement whether this employment might discredit USA;
- Rank at, and date of, retirement;
- SSN and DOB.

Upon receipt of letter CG-1222 (CG-131 in case of inactive duty reservist) coordinates review of each request by DCO-I & CG-0944; writes a cover letter, and e-mails scanned request to DoS Foreign Employment Office. DoS, approves or denies the request and CG-1222/CG-131 sends answer back to the member.

If approval is denied, member irrevocably loses entitlement to Retired Pay & benefits for any period employed by the foreign government for which employment approval was sought. Failure to obtain approval prior to employment by a foreign government also results in irrevocable loss of Retired Pay & benefits for period employed by a foreign government until approval is granted.

In the future, CWO Joey Brown (202-475-5394) will be the POC for retiree applications for permission to accept foreign civil employment under 37 USC 908 (also foreign military employment under 10 USC 1066).

VA News

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
June 29, 2010

VETERANS' MEDALLION AVAILABLE FOR ORDER

New Option for Marking Veterans' Graves in Private Cemeteries

WASHINGTON – Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric Shinseki announced today that the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is offering bronze medallions to attach to existing, privately purchased headstones or markers, signifying a deceased's status as a Veteran. "For Veterans not buried in a national or state Veterans cemetery, or those without a government grave marker, VA is pleased to offer this option that highlights their service and sacrifices for our country," said Secretary Shinseki.

The new item can be furnished instead of a traditional government headstone or marker for Veterans whose death occurred on or after Nov. 1, 1990, and whose grave in a private cemetery is marked with a privately purchased headstone or marker.

Under federal law, eligible Veterans buried in a private cemetery are entitled to either a government-furnished grave marker or the new medallion, but not both. Veterans buried in a national or state Veterans cemetery will receive a government headstone or marker of the standard design authorized at that cemetery.

The medallion is available in three sizes: 5 inches, 3 inches and 1 ½ inches in width. Each bronze medallion features the image of a folded burial flag adorned with laurels and is inscribed with the word "Veteran" at the top and the branch of service at the bottom.

Next of kin will receive the medallion, along with a kit that will allow the family or the staff of a private cemetery to affix the medallion to a headstone, grave marker, mausoleum or columbarium niche cover.

More information about VA-furnished headstones, markers and medallions can be found at <http://www.cem.va.gov/cem/hm/hmtype.asp>.

VA is currently developing an application form for ordering the medallion. Until it is available, applicants may use the form for ordering government headstones and markers, VA Form 40-1330. Instructions on how to apply for a medallion are found on the VA Web site at www.cem.va.gov/hm_hm.asp.

Veterans with a discharge issued under conditions other than dishonorable, their spouses and eligible dependent children can be buried in a VA national cemetery. Other burial benefits available for all eligible Veterans, regardless of whether they are buried in a national cemetery or a private cemetery, include a burial flag, a Presidential Memorial Certificate and a government headstone or grave marker.

The new medallions will be available only to Veterans buried in private cemeteries without a government headstone or marker. Families of eligible decedents may also order a memorial headstone or marker when remains are not available for interment.

VA operates 131 national cemeteries in 39 states and Puerto Rico and 33 soldiers' lots and monument sites. More than 3 million Americans, including Veterans of every war and conflict -- from the Revolutionary War to the current conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan -- are buried in VA's national cemeteries on more than 19,000 acres.

Information on VA burial benefits can be obtained from national cemetery offices, from the VA Web site on the Internet at www.cem.va.gov or by calling VA regional offices toll-free at 1-800-827-1000.

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TRICARE NEWS

Federal Rules Published for TRICARE Retired Reserve

August 06, 2010
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FALLS CHURCH, Va—The interim final rule for the TRICARE Retired Reserve (TRR) program has been published. That brings the opportunity for members of the Retired Reserve who are not yet age 60, the so-called “gray-area” retirees, to purchase TRICARE Standard coverage one big step closer to a planned program launch expected as early as September 2010. At that time, instructions about how to qualify for and purchase TRR coverage will become available. If purchased, TRR coverage is expected to go into effect as early as October 1, 2010.

The statute that established TRR requires that qualified retired reservists pay premiums equal to the full cost of the coverage without government subsidy. According to the interim final rule, monthly premium rates for 2010 will be \$388.31 for TRR member-only coverage, or \$976.41 for TRR member and family coverage. Rates will be adjusted annually.

This year's premiums are based on the actual costs during 2007 and 2008 for providing TRICARE benefits to people in the same age categories as the retired reserve population. The 2011 premiums will be adjusted based on 2008 and 2009 costs.

Beneficiaries can read the entire interim final rule on line at <http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2010/pdf/2010-19313.pdf>. A 60-day comment period will allow for public input before the final rule is issued. Those interested may submit comments through the Federal eRulemaking Portal - www.regulation.gov - or by mail to the Federal Docket Management System Office, 1160 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-1160.

Retirees who may want to purchase TRR coverage should make sure their eligibility information is correct in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS).

To get more information about TRR as it becomes available, visit www.tricare.mil/subscriptions and sign up for “Benefit Changes” for “Retired National Guard and Reserve Member.”

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The TRICARE Management Activity administers the worldwide health care plan for 9.6 million eligible beneficiaries of the uniformed services, retirees and their families.

Source: TRICARE news release dtd 6 Aug 2010

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 schultz369@gmail.com or BMCS Dutton at DuttonM003@Hawaii.RR.Com if you have any questions.

TRACEN YORKTOWN Retiree Council office hours are 0800-1400, Mon-Wed, except all Federal Holidays, phone number (757) 856-2136. E-Mail:

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USCG Investigative Association Reunion will be held October 8-10, 2010 at the Doubletree Hotel, Portland, OR. Contact: Tom Craig, 1133 Jefferson St., Wenatchee, WA 98801, phone: (509) 663-4015 or you may e-mail him at: tc70photo@gmail.com

USCG Lightship Sailors Association 11th Reunion will be held 14-16 October 2010 at the Marriott Savannah Riverfront Hotel, Savannah, Georgia. For further information, contact Dave Orszak, Membership Director, at 413-283-2841 or at PDORSZAK@COMCAST.NET. Additional details are available at our website: www.uscglightshipsailors.org.

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, Ib.F.W.Andersen@uscg.mil, kc2jpo@comcast.net, <http://www.cpoacapemay.org/>, rcgrc.htm. Office: (609) 898-6387 Cell: (609) 972-6453

2010 Guardsman of Yesteryears Breakfast will be held Saturday November 13 at the Chincoteague Elementary School, 6078 Hallie Whealton Smith Dr., Chincoteague Island, VA 23336. Commander Fifth Coast Guard District (RADM) William Lee will be guest speaker. The breakfast is for anyone who serves or have served in either the active or the reserve components of the Coast Guard. Dependents are invited. Tickets cost \$6.00. Doors open at 0700 for coffee and seeing old shipmates, breakfast will be served at 0800. Information and tickets can be obtained from either Wayne Merritt at (757) 894-8240, Jerry Tarr (757) 336-1204 or David Lewis (757) 336-1853 or e-mail daviddebbie.lewis@gmail.com

USCGC BOUTWELL (WHEC-719) - "Calling on all Shipmates, Sea Dogs, and Sea Lawyers assigned to the *USCGC Boutwell* during October 1980. If there is enough interest a reunion would be tentatively scheduled for October 2010 in Seattle, WA to celebrate the 30th anniversary of our rescue of passengers aboard the Motor Vessel *Prinsendam*." Please contact YNCS Stan Jaceks, USCG, Retired, at 1335 Fairway Dr. NE, Moses Lake, WA 98837, phone (509) 764-0180 (h) or (509) 760-4866 (c) or e-mail him at: stanley2421@localnet.com.

There will be a reunion for the **CGC COURIER** and her sister ship, the **CGC KUKUI**, in the Villages, FL, on October 18-22. For further information please contact Jim Miotke at jimmiotke@earthlink.net.

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 (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).

USCGC DEPENDABLE (WMEC-626) 3rd reunion will be at the Holiday Inn Select, 2001 Martin Luther King Blvd., Panama City, FL April 7-9, 2011. Contact David Taylor, USCG, Ret for further information at (540) 362-4474 (h), (540) 353-3842 (cell) or e-mail daveandbev@cox.net.

Canaveral Coast Guard Reunion Week-End will be December 3-4, 2010. Friday is welcome reception and Saturday is a picnic at Station Port Canaveral (\$15.00 per person includes food and drink). Hotel reservations can be made at the Doubletree Hotel Cocoa Beach Oceanfront, 2080 North Atlantic Avenue, Cocoa Beach, FL 32931 (321) 783-9222 or http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/MLBASDT-USC-20101203/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG. Reservations must be received no later than November 1, 2010. For reservations that extend past December 4 you will have to call the hotel and give them Group Code: USC. Reservations for the reception and the picnic are required. Please send the number of people attending, names for nametags and your check to Bob Merrilees, 1735 S Shelter Trail, Merritt Island, FL 32952. If you have any questions or need further information, contact Bob Merrilees at (321) 452-5426 or e-mail: BMerrilees@cfl.rr.com



USCG Retirements

Name	Rank	Date of Retirement	Name	Rank	Date of Retirement
ACHESON, RANDALL	20100810	BMC	CHASE, JEFFREY	20100601	BMC
ADAMS, MICHAEL	20100801	MK2	CHENEY, ANDREW	20100701	LCDR
ADKINS, WILLIAM	20100701	LCDR	CHRISTENSEN, HAROLD	20100701	LT
ALLEN, RICKEY	20100801	AMT1	CLARKE, MICHAEL	20100801	SK1
ALLEN, THAD	20100701	ADM	CLEMONS, BRYAN	20100601	EMCM
ALVAREZ, WANDA	20100601	PERS2	CLINE, JOHN	20100801	ETC
ANDREWS, WAYNE	20100824	IV1	CLINGENPEEL, ARTHUR	20100801	MSTCS
APFELZWEIG, ROBERT	20100604	YN1	COLE, LAWRENCE	20100529	BM2
ARNETT, KYLE	20100701	LT	COLE, RODNEY	20100601	OSS3
ASHER, CHRISTOPHER	20100713	YN1	COLE, TIMOTHY	20100801	AMT1
AUSTIN, CLAIRMONT	20100801	CDR	CONNELL, JAMES	20100701	ELC4
AUSTIN, CHRISTOPHER	20100601	CAPT	CORE, GERALD	20100801	MSSE3
BAFETTI, MARK	20100601	LT	COTTER, BRUCE	20100601	MSTCM
BALDERSON, KEVIN	20100701	CDR	CRAIG, STEVEN	20100609	PSS3
BALDINELLI, DARNELL	20100601	CDR	CREECY, RHONDA	20100702	LT
BALINT, STANLEY	20100701	CDR	CROKE, KIMBERLY	20100701	CDR
BARNES, BRUCE	20100801	HSCS	CROUCH, TONY	20100701	MKC
BARRY, ROBERT	20100621	BM1	CULLEN, THOMAS	20100701	CAPT
BASILICI, KEITH	20100601	BOSN2	CUNNINGHAM, EUGENE	20100701	CAPT
BATES, SARAH	20100713	ET3	CURIEL, STEPHEN	20100601	MKCS
BATTEN, DEAN	20100801	AET1	CUTTS, MATTHEW	20100701	CAPT
BEASLEY, GRETNA	20100601	SKC	CUYLER, KEATH	20100701	MKCM
BELCHER, RICHARD	20100801	ENG4	DAHMEN, GARY	20100701	CAPT
BELL, JEROME	20100801	YN1	DAVIS, MILTON	20100615	BMC
BENARD, EMILE	20100701	CDR	DAY, CHRISTOPHER	20100601	CDR
BENEDICT, LINCOLN	20100701	CDR	DECKER, PAUL	20100801	MECS
BERGERON, SCOTT	20100701	AVI4	DENISTON, NELSON	20100701	AETCM
BERWICK, WILLIAM	20100704	PS2	DESCHENES, ROSS	20100801	AMT1
BIBEAU, SUSAN	20100601	CAPT	DINTERMAN, JONATHAN	20100728	MK1
BLAIR, LYNETTE	20100816	YN1	DORE, ROBERT	20100614	DC1
BOLICK, MARK	20100529	MK2	DYBEDAL, TIMOTHY	20100601	ENG2
BORDERS, ANTHONY	20100601	ITCS	EAST, SAMUEL	20100701	LT
BORGES, JOEL	20100819	MK2	EGER, DEREK	20100820	DC3
BORNHORST, FRANCIS	20100623	MKC	ERSKINE, TONI	20100618	SN
BORON, ALISSA	20100601	YN1	EWING, GARY	20100801	ENG4
BOWEN, CHARLES	20100701	MCPOCG	FACEMIRE, DANIEL	20100824	OSC
BOWEN, EDWARD	20100601	DCCM	FAHR, DENNIS	20100801	LCDR
BRANDON, BLANE	20100801	BMC	FEIGE, PAUL	20100801	MKC
BRANHAM, ROBERT	20100701	RADM	FELTY, JEFFREY	20100701	YN1
BRATTON, SHARON	20100701	BM1	FIRING, DEAN	20100701	LCDR
BRAYMAN, ROBERT	20100701	MKCM	FITCH, AVATAR	20100708	IT2
BRECKENRIDGE, JODY	20100701	VADM	FITZGERALD, JAMES	20100801	AMTC
BREMER, THOMAS	20100701	EMC	FIUMANO, FRANK	20100722	CDR
BRICE, TERRILL	20100616	MKCS	FONG, KENNETH	20100801	SKCM
BROOKS, ARTHUR	20100701	RADM	FOUCHER, MICHAEL	20100701	WEPS3
BROWN, RAY	20100701	GM1	FREEMAN, RICHARD	20100801	AMTCM
BROWN, RODNEY	20100701	ENS	FRIESE, CHRISTOPHER	20100701	LCDR
BRUNGOT, GEORGE	20100614	LT	FULTS, JANET	20100721	YN1
BRYAN, BRANDON	20100526	MK2	GAFFNEY, THOMAS	20100701	LCDR
BURGER, AMOS	20100816	BM3	GANDARA-ROBTOY, GERALDINE	20100719	YN1
BURNLEY, ARTHUR	20100717	PS2	GEORGE, WILSON	20100526	MK1
BUTIERRIES, DAVID	20100701	LCDR	GIEBEN, RANDY	20100701	LT
BUTTRICK, SCOTT	20100701	CDR	GILL, KATHERINE	20100701	HSC
CALHOUN, ARLENE	20100605	YN1	GILLESPIE, DENNIS	20100817	CDR
CALLAHAN, BRIAN	20100613	IV2	GILLITZER, GUY	20100701	BM1
CALVO, KARL	20100601	CAPT	GOEB, LAWRENCE	20100603	LCDR
CAMACHO, MARK	20100701	CDR	GOLDSTINE, CHRISTOPHER	20100801	ENG4
CANDELARIA, BRUCE	20100701	AETC	GOMEZ, JORGE	20100701	SKC
CARUSO, MAX	20100601	CDR	GONDA, ANTHONY	20100601	EMCS
CATELL, JOSEPH	20100701	OSS3	GOODSON, JAMES	20100601	F&S3
CAVANAUGH, KEVIN	20100701	CAPT	GOSWELLEN, SAMUEL	20100801	LCDR
CENTENO, AGUSTIN	20100825	MK2			

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GOVE, BRIAN	20100701	CDR	LUCCHETTI, ENRICO	20100701	DC1
GRABB, ROBERT	20100713	CAPT	LYON, JOHN	20100816	SA
GREEN, DOUGLAS	20100801	OSC	MACKEY, JAMES	20100601	LT
GREER, WILLIAM	20100601	AETC	MALAKI, FRANKLIN	20100619	BM3
GREER, LUTHER	20100601	MSSD3	MARHOFFER, WILLIAM	20100701	CAPT
GREER, CARL	20100701	YNC	MARINO, CHARLES	20100601	LCDR
GRIFFIN, FRED	20100701	LCDR	MARMION, JAMES	20100806	MST3
GRIGG, ROBERT	20100801	HSC	MCCALLUM, ERNEST	20100824	PSCS
GRISHAM, MARC	20100818	LCDR	MCCULLOUGH, HENRY	20100801	INV2
GUNDERSON, DANIEL	20100701	YNCM	MCGURER, ANDREW	20100601	CDR
HALL, RODNEY	20100601	OS1	MCLAUGHLIN, JAMES	20100701	CDR
HALL, MARK	20100605	MST3	MCMULLIN, RALPH	20100801	YNC
HAMILTON, HERBERT	20100601	CAPT	MCNAMARA, REGINA	20100801	CDR
HANSON, GORDON	20100621	CAPT	MEDINA, BRYAN	20100819	SN
HARLESS, JAMES	20100603	PA2	MENDERS, DOUGLAS	20100601	CAPT
HARNISH, RUSSELL	20100801	BM1	MENDOZA, JAVIER	20100526	MK3
HARTMAN, HENRY	20100707	DC1	MIHALIK, JEFFREY	20100817	PSCS
HASKINS, THOMAS	20100801	MKCM	MIHELIC, JOSEPH	20100601	CAPT
HEFELY, HEATH	20100708	DC1	MILLARD, JANN	20100601	EMCS
HEILIG, KENNETH	20100701	HSC	MILLER, LETA	20100601	F&S3
HEINO, ERIC	20100801	MK1	MILLER, ARTHUR	20100808	OS2
HENKELMAN, ANN	20100601	LT	MOLT, GEORGE	20100603	BMC
HENNIG, EDWARD	20100801	LT	MOORE, MARK	20100801	F&S4
HERNANDEZ, ROLANDO	20100701	LT	MORTON, THOMAS	20100808	IV2
HERRERA, CARLOS	20100801	BMCS	MOTAL, DANIEL	20100811	MK1
HERTER, BRADFORD	20100724	CDR	MOTTER, ANDREW	20100601	LT
HEUGEL, DOUGLAS	20100718	CAPT	MOYNIHAN, DAVID	20100701	CDR
HIGGINS, WAYNE	20100815	YN2	MUCHA, PAUL	20100701	LCDR
HILL, TABITHA	20100825	BM1	MULLINS, JAMES	20100601	OSS2
HINCHION, RICHARD	20100601	CDR	NADEAU, PAUL	20100801	SKC
HOUSEHOLDER, SCOTT	20100806	ET1	NEBRICH, DENNIS	20100712	IV1
HUDSON, MICHAEL	20100701	CAPT	NELSON, MICHAEL	20100701	OSS4
HYATT, JESSE	20100816	BM2	NEUSSL, MICHAEL	20100701	CAPT
INMAN, MICHAEL	20100701	CAPT	NIEMIEC, JACK	20100701	CAPT
INSKO, LAMONT	20100821	MK2	NOYES, JEFFREY	20100801	LCDR
IRWIN, CHARLES	20100719	HS1	OLIVE, JAMES	20100701	CDR
JACKSON, MARGARET	20100601	LT	OWEN, SHAWNE	20100807	LCDR
JACKSON, REBEKAH	20100819	SK2	OWEN, DAN	20100701	YNCS
JADOFSKY, MARK	20100701	HS1	PALAGANO, THOMAS	20100808	YNCS
JEFFERSON, DONNA	20100801	OS1	PALMIOTTO, ANDREW	20100801	CDR
JOHNSON, PATRICK	20100701	SKC	PARIS, JOSEPH	20100601	YNCM
JOHNSON, KIRK	20100701	CDR	PARKS, MACHESTEA	20100801	AMTC
JOHNSON, TYLER	20100801	PACM	PEKOSKE, DAVID	20100701	VADM
JOHNSON, SANCHO	20100701	LT	PENDER, JOHN	20100801	BMC
JOHNSTON, STEPHEN	20100801	BMC	PERDUE, WENDY	20100526	OS1
JONES, DUANE	20100801	AST2	PERKINS, WILLIAM	20100701	MSSE4
JUSTICE, WAYNE	20100701	RADM	PERRY, PHIL	20100601	CDR
KALINA, DIANE	20100701	LCDR	PETERSON, TODD	20100701	LT
KEESLER, RICHARD	20100701	CDR	PETRIE, JOHN	20100701	BMCM
KIDDER, MICHAEL	20100601	AMTC	PICHON, GERARD	20100801	MKC
KNAPP, BRIAN	20100701	LCDR	PIERCE, MIRANDA	20100801	LTJG
KNUDSEN, KENNETH	20100626	BMCM	PIPER, ROBERT	20100605	MKCS
KOONS, RUSSELL	20100701	ETCM	POL, ANGEL	20100701	LT
KORNEXL, ROBERT	20100801	LCDR	PORVAZNIK, MARK	20100701	CAPT
KREHMEIER, SCOTT	20100801	EMCM	POST, KENNETH	20100701	LCDR
KRITZ, BRIAN	20100701	BMC	PRICE, MICHAEL	20100701	CAPT
KUGEL, NANCY	20100813	YN1	QUEDENS, CHRISTINE	20100701	CAPT
LABOSTRIE, ALVIN	20100704	BM1	RAYIAS, JOHN	20100701	LCDR
LAFLAMME, JOHN	20100601	MSSD4	REGER, WALTER	20100701	CAPT
LANGEVIN, JAMES	20100701	LCDR	REIM, CHARLENE	20100822	CDR
LANIER, FRANKIE	20100701	LT	RENGIL, EDWIN	20100810	YN1
LAUSEN, GEORGE	20100601	ENG4	REYNOLDS, SAKI	20100801	AMT1
LEE, CHARLES	20100627	DC1	RICHARDSON, MICHAEL	20100801	AMT1
LEITNER, JAMES	20100826	CDR	RIECK, ROBERT	20100701	OSC
LENE, TIMOTHY	20100701	MST2	RIVERA, DAVID	20100701	ISCS
LEON, ERNESTO	20100701	AMTCS	RIZZO, TIMOTHY	20100709	ET2
LIGHTFOOT, CHARLES	20100601	DCC	ROBERSON, EDWARD	20100719	IVC
LIVESTON, THOMAS	20100605	ELC4	RODRIGUEZ, AMILCAR	20100801	LT
LONGO, SID	20100728	MK2	RODRIGUEZ, FERNANDO	20100701	LT
LOPEZ, EDGARDO	20100801	ISC			

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ROGERS, SUSAN	20100726	CDR	WELCH, PHIL	20100701	FSC
SALENSKI, RANDY	20100701	ENG4	WESTERMAN, BRIAN	20100801	BMC
SALICETI, DAVID	20100701	LT	WHITE, WHITNEY	20100603	FS3
SALSMAN, ROBERT	20100701	OS2	WHITTEMORE, JOHN	20100601	LCDR
SANCHEZ, EDUARDO	20100712	MSTCM	WILLIAMS, FELICIA	20100601	YNCM
SANDERS, LUE	20100728	SK3	WILSON, CORNELL	20100601	MK1
SARAMOSING, MICHAEL	20100701	LCDR	WILSON, ANGELA	20100601	SKC
SAULS, MILTON	20100801	ELC3	WINELAND, RICHARD	20100701	ETC
SAWYER, DANIEL	20100816	BM3	WINETEER, JAMES	20100801	AET1
SCHAFFER, DAVID	20100601	ETCM	WOLFE, PETER	20100607	LCDR
SCHEYE, JAMES	20100701	CDR	YOUNG, MARK	20100601	CDR
SCHMOELE, SCOTT	20100601	BMC	ZAHAND, SCOTT	20100801	AMTCM
SCHULTZ, CHRISTINA	20100801	LCDR	ZWACK, JOSEPH	20100801	LCDR
SCRIVNER, WARREN	20100801	AETC			
SHEAROUSE, JOHN	20100801	MKC			
SHEDD, GREGORY	20100601	LT			
SHELLENBERGER, EUGENE	20100824	EM1			
SHERLOCK, LANE	20100701	LT			
SHOREY, DEAN	20100801	AMTC			
SHUART, DAVID	20100601	MKC			
SIEBEN, WILLIAM	20100701	LCDR			
SKIDMORE, SAMUEL	20100816	AET1			
SKOWRONEK, PHILIP	20100701	CDR			
SLAY, SAMUEL	20100701	LCDR			
SLEIN, LIAM	20100701	CAPT			
SMIALEK, GARY	20100701	CAPT			
SMITH, DAVID	20100701	LCDR			
SMITH, MICHAEL	20100701	CDR			
STEINER, KURT	20100701	LT			
STEINKAMP, ROGER	20100601	ISM2			
STEIZ, RUSSELL	20100610	DC2			
STEPHENSON, JAMES	20100801	AMTCM			
STERMOLLE, STEVE	20100818	OS1			
STEVENS, JOHN	20100728	BM2			
STOUTAMIRE, CONRAD	20100601	FSC			
STRAW, ASHER	20100728	SN			
STUDEVANT, JOHN	20100605	BM1			
STYKEL, SCOTT	20100601	MSSE3			
SULLIVAN, MICHAEL	20100701	CDR			
SWANSON, GERALD	20100701	CAPT			
SWIDRAK, JOHN	20100701	LCDR			
TEKESKY, MICHAEL	20100701	CAPT			
THIEDEMAN, EDWIN	20100701	CAPT			
THOMAS, LORNE	20100701	CAPT			
THOMAS, LEAMBER	20100526	FS2			
THOMAS, CAMERON	20100610	FN			
THOMPSON, JOHN	20100701	LT			
THORNTON, LARRY	20100626	MK2			
TIDWELL, TERRY	20100801	DC1			
TITCOMBE, PAUL	20100701	CDR			
TOLLEFSON, MICHAEL	20100701	BOSN4			
TOMCZAK, CRAIG	20100801	AETC			
TONEY, BRUCE	20100701	CAPT			
TRAINOR, THOMAS	20100801	SKCM			
TRAMM, PAUL	20100801	MSSE3			
TREBAOL, STEPHAN	20100819	EM1			
TSCHANNE, TODD	20100701	CDR			
TUCKER, DONALD	20100801	BOSN4			
TUCKER, RONALD	20100818	MK3			
TURNER, ALLEN	20100701	LCDR			
TWEED, BRUCE	20100701	LCDR			
UHL, LARRY	20100803	BM1			
VALETTE, HAROLD	20100801	AETC			
VERGARA, ELIZABETH	20100802	SN			
WALKER, WILLIAM	20100821	YN3			
WALKER, LAURENCE	20100728	PS2			
WANNAMAKER, TRACY	20100601	CDR			
WASHINGTON, LEON	20100624	ELC4			
WATSON, MICHAEL	20100601	ENG4			
WEBER, JAMES	20100801	BMC			



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 HRUSOVSKY, ANDREA 20100801 CDR

Congratulations to all

New Coast Guard Auxiliary National Commodore Targets Boating Deaths

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. - Jim Vass of Port O'Connor, Texas; the new Coast Guard Auxiliary National Commodore; charged the Coast Guard Auxiliary, "to reduce deaths on our waterways. We need to recommit ourselves to improving recreational boating safety and making a serious dent in reducing the recreational boating death growth rates", Commodore Vass said.

2009 saw an increase of 3.8% in recreational boating deaths because people fail to wear life jackets, are inattentive, and consume alcohol while operating boats. Nearly 75 percent of the 736 people who died in boating accidents in 2009 drowned, and 84 percent of those victims reportedly were not wearing a life jacket. "Our waterways should be fun, not places where you lose your life" commented Vass.

Commodore Vass began his association with the Coast Guard Auxiliary in 1991 and has served in a host of positions at the local, regional and national levels. Most recently he was the national vice commodore. He holds qualifications as an instructor, vessel examiner, and boat coxswain. His awards include the Coast Guard Auxiliary Medal of Operational Merit, Commendation Medal, Service Award, the Coast Guard Unit Commendation, and Coast Guard Meritorious Team Commendation.

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary created by an Act of Congress in 1939 is the uniformed civilian component of the U.S. Coast Guard supporting the Coast Guard in nearly all its missions.

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NOAA Commissions New Research Ship *Bell M. Shimada*

August 25, 2010



Federal officials today commissioned **[NOAA Ship Bell M. Shimada](#)**, a state-of-the-art research vessel that will study a wide range of marine life and ocean conditions along the West Coast.

"NOAA Ship *Bell M. Shimada* represents a major step forward in NOAA's effort to modernize its fleet of fisheries, oceanographic and hydrographic survey ships," said Rear Adm. Jonathan Bailey, director of the **[NOAA Office of Marine and Aviation Operations](#)** and the **[NOAA Corps](#)**. "This highly capable ship will enable researchers to collect data on sea life and habitats with unprecedented accuracy."

Bell M. Shimada's design allows for quieter operation and movement of the vessel through the water, giving scientists the ability to study fish and marine mammals without significantly altering their behavior.

The vessel is the fourth of a new class of ships designed to meet the **[NOAA Marine Fisheries Service's](#)** specific data collection requirements and the International Council for Exploration of the Seas' standards for a low acoustic signature. The ship's capabilities include a sophisticated sonar system and equipment for deploying buoys and sensor-packed underwater vehicles. In addition to studying fish and marine mammals, researchers will also use the ship to observe marine bird populations.

"NOAA Ship *Bell M. Shimada* will play a vital role in supporting NOAA's mission to protect, restore and manage living marine, coastal and ocean resources," said Steve Murawski, Ph.D., NOAA's chief scientist for fisheries. "Equipped with the latest technology, this new vessel will enhance significantly our ability to conduct research essential to sustaining and rebuilding fisheries."

Bell M. Shimada was named by a team of students from Marina High School in Monterey, Calif., who won a regional NOAA contest to name the vessel. The ship's namesake served with the Bureau of Fisheries and Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission, and was known for his contributions to the study of tropical Pacific tuna stocks, which were important to the development of West Coast commercial fisheries following World War II. *Bell M. Shimada*'s son, Allen, is a fisheries scientist with NOAA's Fisheries Service.

Launched in September 2008, the 208-ft. *Bell M. Shimada* was built for NOAA by VT Halter Marine Inc., in Moss Point, Miss., as part of the NOAA's fleet replacement strategy to provide world-class platforms for U.S. scientists. The ship will operate primarily in U.S. waters from Washington state to southern California.

The NOAA fleet of ships and aircraft is operated, managed and maintained by the NOAA Office of Marine and Aviation Operations, which includes commissioned officers of the NOAA Corps and civilian wage mariners.

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. Visit us on **[Facebook](#)**.



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AKINS	JAMES	YNC	20100618	STRATHMORE	CA
ANDRIEU	PAUL	BMCM	20100726	VACAVILLE	CA
ARGO	RICHARD	CWO3	20100708	MURPHY	NC
ARNOLD	EDDIE	CWO4	20100605	WYNCOTE	PA
ARTHUR	HEDRICK	ENCM	20100606	BEAUFORT	NC
BAINES	FRED	CWO1	20100604	BOUNTIFUL	UT
BANKS	BRETT	AMT2	20100707	SITKA	AK
BAUER	WALTER	RM1	20100719	AUSTIN	TX
BENJAMIN	KENNETH	SN	20100725	JACKSON	MS
BOOKER	WILLIAM	SN	20100711	BROWNS MILLS	NJ
BRADBURY	KENNETH	EMCM	20100708	ORO VALLEY	AZ
BROMEN	MARVIN	LCDR	20100802	CINCINNATI	OH
BROMLEY	NORBERT	AD1	20100704	DEL RIO	TX
BROTHERS	CLAYTON	BMC	20100707	AVON	NC
BROWN	SAMUEL	RMCS	20100702	CULPEPPER	VA
BROWN	DONALD	BM1	20100621	HAMMOND	LA
BUCKLESS	ROY	DC1	20100610	WILDER	ID
BUNKLEY	CHARLES	CWO4	20100712	LENOIR	NC
BUSH	WAYNE	BMC	20091112	PALM BAY	FL
BYRD	RILEY	ENG4	20100602	ROBERTSDALE	AL
CAREY	JOHN	GMCS	20100708	DANVILLE	OH
CARLISE	ROBERT	CAPT	20100721	BROAD BROOK	CT
CARSON	ALVA	AEC	20100703	NAPLES	FL
CARTER	LOUIS	CS1	20100715	CHESAPEAKE	VA
CASEY	EUGENE	PSC	20100717	EDGEWOOD	NM
CLAY	COY	AT1	20100617	PINELLAS PARK	FL
CULLINS	ROY	MKC	20100621	TRONA	CA
DAVIS	BOYD	CWO4	20100621	WHITE SALMON	WA
DEMUTH	HAL	CDR	20100822	WINCHESTER	VA
DIZON	BERNARDO	FSCS	20100715	PONOMA	CA
DOLAN	RAYMOND	CWO3	20100815	MOUNTAINTOP	PA
DOLNICK	STEVE	GM1	20100527	MIAMI	FL
DOUGHTY	ROBERT	DC2	20100625	REDDING	CA
DOYLE	BERNARD	CAPT	20100719	SEAFORD	NY
DUQUETTE	KENNETH	PACS	20100619	CENTER HARBOR	NH
EBERHARDT	DONALD	OSC	20100730	GLASTONBURY	CT
FENTON	JOHN	QMC	20100709	WILLISTON	FL
FISHER	MARK	CAPT	20100529	HERNDON	VA
FULCHER	TOMMIE	BMC	20100613	MOREHEAD CITY	NC
GALLAGHER	ROBERT	YNCM	20100708	LACEY	WA
GALVAN	HENRY	ETC	20100817	GOODYEAR	AZ
GARRIS	DONALD	BMC	20100707	SANFORD	NC
GOETSCHALCKX	PHILLIP	CWO4	20100615	TUALATIN	OR
GOLDEN	JULIUS	SKCS	20100717	MOREHEAD CITY	NC
GONZALES	LAMBERT	TTCM	20100627	METAIRIE	LA
GRAVES	CHARLES	MK1	20100620	VANCOUVER	WA
GREGG	JOHN	PSCS	20100711	NEPTUNE	NJ
GUERRY	ROBERT	CWO2	20100605	ST PETERSBURG	FL
HARRIS	ANDREW	ET1	20100615	EAGLE POINT	OR

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HEMPTON	GORDON	CAPT	20100820	SILVER SPRING	MD
HENRY	PATRICK	BMC	20100707	HERTFORD	NC
HIGH	JAMES	ENCS	20100628	WHITEVILLE	NC
HILLARD	HAROLD	FSCM	20100610	TALLAHASSEE	FL
HIMES	GERALD	HSC	20100526	BLUFFTON	SC
HINDS	ALAN	LCDR	20100713	NICEVILLE	FL
HODGSON	ROBERT	PSCS	20100818	NOANK	CT
HOKE	ADAM	AMT1	20100707	SITKA	AK
ISHERWOOD	CHARLES	LCDR	20100602	CARVER	MA
IVANOVSKY	NICHOLAS	CDR	20100605	VIRGINIA BEACH	VA
JENNINGS	ROBERT	ENC	20100817	GAUTIER	MS
JENS	KARL	CDR	20100529	SEAFORD	VA
JENSEN	JAMES	BMC	20100722	HAYDEN LAKE	ID
JONES	JACK	BMC	20100802	CHESNEE	SC
KESLER	WILLIAM	CAPT	20100526	ORLANDO	FL
KISTLER	LOUIS	CSC	20100610	QUAKER HILL	CT
KOEHLER	JAMES	LCDR	20100603	EAU CLAIRE	WI
KOEHLER	GARY	CWO4	20100528	COOSBAY	OR
KRAMER	KENNETH	EMCM	20100619	SAN DIEGO	CA
LAPE	HARRY	CWO4	20100530	RICHMOND	VA
LAPOINTE	MATTHEW	MK2	20100619	PENSACOLA	FL
LATHAM	THOMAS	CAPT	20100528	BREWSTER	MA
LAWHORN	DONALD	MKC	20100531	WATKINSVILLE	GA
LEE	MILLINGTON	BMC	20100612	COLUMBIA	SC
LEE	ARTHUR	LCDR	20100625	VIRGINIA BEACH	VA
LEFTRIDGE	RONNIE	MKC	20100625	TAWAS CITY	MI
LENTNER	RUSSELL	CAPT	20100728	SPRINGFIELD	VA
LIESKE	BARRY	MK1	20100816	DULUTH	MN
LIPUT	ROBERT	CAPT	20100628	KETTERING	OH
LOWHORNE	BEN	SK3	20100707	OWENS CROSS RDS	AL
LUTZ	ALAN	BMC	20100627	REDWOOD CITY	CA
LYONS	CHARLES	MKC	20100715	CONWAY	AR
MACDONALD	GREGORY	ATCS	20100813	ALEXANDRIA	VA
MAMORBOR	BERNARD	SD2	20100628	VIRGINIA BEACH	VA
MARRISON	JAMES	SKC	20100817	NASHVILLE	TN
MARTIN	JOSEPH	CDR	20100719	NASHVILLE	TN
MASIN	ROBERT	ASM2	20100607	MONCKS CORNER	SC
MCENTEE	GERALD	CWO3	20100618	SPARKS	NV
MCGILVRAY	JOHN	PSS4	20100806	CALABASAS	CA
MCLEAN	KENNETH	ENG3	20100720	POQUOSON	VA
MEIGHAN	RAYMOND	QMCS	20100824	ANTELOPE	CA
MILLER	PAUL	MK1	20100726	SPARKS	NV
MONROE	HERBERT	GM1	20100613	ROCKAWAY BEACH	OR
MOON	LEON	MKC	20100527	LAPORTE	TX
MUENCH	NORBERT	CAPT	20100802	SEMINOLE	FL
MUNDELL	MELVIN	AD1	20100708	CORPUS CHRISTI	TX
MURRAY	EUGENE	CWO3	20100722	PULASKI	NY
NICHOLS	JOHN	SO3	20100708	LEXINGTON	KY
NOTO	RONALD	HSC	20100625	DELRAY BEACH	FL
OBRIEN	MICHAEL	CAPT	20100707	CORAL GABLES	FL
OROURKE	THOMAS	YN3	20100704	CROSSVILLE	TN
PAXTON	JERRY	CWO2	20100703	LA BELLE	FL
PEARSON	MARK	BMCM	20100601	SACRAMENTO	CA

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POPE	EUGENE	ENC	20100626	FORT PIERCE	FL
POPE	CHARLES	BM1	20100626	APOPKA	FL
PUTZBACK	BRIAN	BMC	20100723	BEVERLY HILLS	FL
QUINTONSCOTT	JAMES	SA	20100801	CLEARWATER	FL
RALPH	JAY	BMC	20100719	TONAWANDA	NY
RASH	JAMES	DCCS	20100801	GLOUCESTER	VA
RATCLIFF	MONETTE	LCDR	20100608	MCCALL CRK	MS
REA	JERRY	CAPT	20100621	NEW SMYRNA BCH	FL
REAGAN	BUEL	LCDR	20100710	CORTLAND	NY
REGENOR	JON	SK1	20100527	ERIE	PA
REID	ROBERT	RD1	20100603	WILMINGTON	NC
RIDLEY	JACK	CWO4	20100818	MAGALIA	CA
RILEY	JAMES	MK1	20100531	WYOMING	PA
RODEN	WILLIAM	CAPT	20100607	MELBOURNE	FL
ROE	LAUPULA	MK1	20100728	SEATTLE	WA
ROLNICK	LEON	CDR	20100713	BAKERSFIELD	CA
SALASSI	NOLAN	ETCM	20100625	ZACHARY	LA
SARGENT	THOMAS	VADM	20100529	LAKE SAN MARCOS	CA
SCHENCK	JAMES	CDR	20100819	VIRGINIA BEACH	VA
SCHERER	NORMAN	CAPT	20100804	ASHLAND	MA
SCHIEBLER	RONALD	FS1	20100705	ATLANTIC BEACH	FL
SCHRAMSKI	GERALD	CWO4	20100612	HOMESTEAD	FL
SERPA	JAMES	BTC	20100625	BUZZARDS BAY	MA
SHELTON	JERRY	BOSN4	20100529	ATOKA	TN
SHEPARD	JAMES	LCDR	20100612	FORT MYERS	FL
SIMONCINI	RICHARD	YNC	20100618	PHILADEPHIA	PA
STEUDEL	ROBERT	CDR	20100719	SCHERERVILLE	IN
STEVENS	JAMES	AMC	20100616	DECATUR	TX
STOHR	ALFRED	BM1	20100528	KAILUA	HI
STOOPS	ROYCE	LT	20100624	OWENSBORO	KY
STOTTLEMEYER	CHARLES	HS1	20100707	YERINGTON	NV
SUAREZ	RAYMOND	MK1	20100619	HIALEAH GARDENS	FL
TANOS	ALEXANDER	CAPT	20100808	MIAMI	FL
TAPPERO	EARL	FTC	20100529	WEEKI WACHEE	FL
THORNTON	CHARLES	LCDR	20100526	EUCLID	OH
TODD	ROBROY	RMC	20100806	EUGENE	OR
TOWNE	HARRY	BM1	20100617	HONOLULU	HI
TRAX	DAVID	CWO4	20100713	YORK	PA
TREMBLEY	TIMOTHY	LT	20100810	POULSBO	WA
VANDERHOOF	GILES	CWO4	20100730	SALEM	OR
VOSS	ROBERT	GM1	20100619	VICTORIA	VA
WALLACE	EARL	LTJG	20100623	NEW SMYRNA BCH	FL
WALLIS	ALFRED	MMCM	20100627	SEQUIM	WA
WALSH	DAVID	CWO4	20100711	ST LOUIS	MO
WAREHAM	MONTY	MK1	20100710	PUYLLUP	WA
WHITE	GERALD	MKC	20100822	DOTHON	AL
WHITEHOUSE	CHARLES	CWO4	20100717	ISLEBORO	ME
WIGGINS	AUBREY	BMC	20100721	COLUMBUS	OH
WILLIAMS	JOHN	CAPT	20100717	COLUMBIA FALLS	ME
WILLIAMS	VERN	SK3	20100627	PORTLAND	OR
WINSLOW	JAMES	CWO4	20100812	ELIZABETH CITY	NC
WINTHER	HAROLD	CWO2	20100826	SEATTLE	WA
WOOD	JEROME	FICS	20100526	ANDOVER	NJ

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WOODWARD	RICHARD	CWO3	20100613	CANADA	CA
WYCHE	WILLIAM	LT	20100627	HIGH POINT	NC
YOHE	MELVIN	BMC	20100724	NORFOLK	VA
YOUNG	RALPH	CS1	20100820	HOT SPRINGS	AR
ZANE	VERNON	ATCS	20100218	MOBILE	AL
Member deaths will be updated monthly on the RAS website: http://www.uscg.mil/ppc/retnews/taps.asp .					
Dependent TAPS					
Name of Dependent	Relationship	Date of Death	Location		
Velida Doris Evans	Wife of MKCS Gomer T Evans, USCG, Ret	25 May 10	Olympia, WA		
Sallie Harwood	Wife of LCDR James E Harwood, USCG, Ret	23 May 10	Walnut Creek, CA		
Shirley Ann Hall	Wife of CWO3 Eugene Hall, USCG, Ret	01 Jun 10	West Monroe, LA		
Barbara S Pace	Wife of EM1 Joseph A Pace, USCG, Ret	18 Dec 09	Mt Lebanon, PA		
Wilma Jean O'Donnell	Wife of YN1 Conrad James O'Donnell, USCG, Ret	03 Jun 10	Port Orchard, WA		
Concepcion Guzman	Wife of ENC Angel L Guzman, USCG, Ret	22 Jun 10	Ponce, PR		
Loredana Wells	Wife of DCCM Gordon R Wells, USCG, Ret	21 May 10	Yuma, AZ		
Elwin H Gebauer	Husband of CDR Annie S Gebauer, USCGR, Ret	25 Feb 10	Lakeland, FL		
Elizabeth S Henderson	Wife of MAT3 James J Henderson, USCG, Ret	13 Jun 10	Beverly, MA		
Michael A Pavelski	Son of ETCM Joseph V Pavelski, USCG, Ret	25 Jun 10	Waddington, NY		
Mary Pond Lynn	Wife of CAPT John B Lynn, USCG, Ret	26 Jun 10	Joppa, MD		
Veronica A Golaszewski	Wife CWO4 Zigmund Golaszewski, USCG, Ret	26 Jun 10	Cape May, NJ		
Martha E Gorham	Wife of YNCS Noel V Gorham, USCG, Ret	27 Jun 10	Anaheim, CA		
Judy B Knapp	Wife of CWO3 James W Knapp, USCG, Ret	25 May 10	Marshfield, MA		
Sarah C Powdermaker	Wife of CDR Mark M Powdermaker, USCG, Ret	16 Jun 10	Mills River, NC		
Suzanne R Wade	Wife of CDR Michael "A" Wade, USCG, Ret	23 Jun 10	Eddington, ME		
Dorothy P Maas	Wife of HS1 Gerald H Maas, USCG, Ret	04 Jan 10	Texas City, TX		
Encarnacion C Nava	Wife of FSC Eduardo R Nava, USCG, Ret	19 Feb 10	Fremont, CA		
Wiley Novella Hayes	Wife of FSC Frederick Hayes, USCG, Ret	31 Jan 10	Portland, OR		
Connie M Mitchell	Wife of FTC Guy A Mitchell, USCG, Ret, Dec'd	26 Dec 09	Omaha, NE		
Linda Lois Heberlein	Wife of BMCS Dale A Heberlein, USCG, Ret	21 Dec 09	Lakeland, FL		
Donna Marie Brisebois	Wife of BMC Delbert Brisebois, USCG, Ret	26 May 10	Snohomish, WA		
Janice B Van Hoesen	Wife of CWO4 Garret M Van Hoesen, USCG, Ret	28 Jun 10	Saint Ignace, MI		
Shirleen R Anderson	Wife of SK1 James F Anderson, USCG, Ret	25 Jun 10	Coeur D Alene, ID		
Waneta Barrett	Wife of CWO4 Eric Barrett, USCG, Ret	25 Jul 10	Westbrook, ME		
Mary E Wichert	Wife of CWO4 David G Wichert, USCG, Ret	22 Jul 10	West Bend, WI		
Margaret E Vaughn	Wife of RADM Sidney Vaughn, USCG, Ret	01 Aug 10	St. Petersburg, FL		
Mary Jane Edmonds	Wife of LCDR Thomas G Edmonds, USCG, Ret	14 Jul 10	Englewood, CO		
Carol J Fletcher	Wife of EN1 Stanley H Fletcher, USCG, Ret	11 Aug 10	Kingston, NY		
Phyllis P Caggiano (Kenyon)	Wife of BMCS Michael F Kenyon, USCG, Ret	18 Aug 10	Old Bridge, NJ		
Patricia W Woodrow	Wife of CWO4 William E Woodrow, USCG, Ret	12 Aug 10	Pleasant Valley, MO		

If you have lost a loved one and would like their name printed in Dependent TAPs, please contact 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.

WHEN THE TIME COMES, WILL YOUR SURVIVOR KNOW?

How to file a death report

How to claim final retired pay due

How to get the elected survivor annuity started

How to claim other federal benefits that may be due such as:

Department of Veterans Affairs Entitlements

Dependency Indemnity Compensation

Social Security

ID Cards

Burial Flags

After a retiree dies the survivor is faced with applying for many benefits, with little knowledge of the often very confusing processes. All this happens while they are trying to deal with overwhelming grief. To help answer the many questions during that stressful time we have simplified our *Survivor Information Booklet*. By taking the time now to review this booklet, gather the supporting documents that are required and filing them in a location from which they can be readily retrieved, you can help to ease the stress that is experienced during this time. To further assist your survivors, we have initiated an Express Annuity Start system to simplify the processing and expedite payment of benefits. To take advantage of this new system, fill out the Form CG-1884, (found in booklet or on our website at http://www.uscg.mil/forms/cg/cg_1884.pdf) sign, date and return to us.

NOTE: For those requesting by mail, booklets are printed on-demand at this time. After submitting your request please be patient and they will be mailed as soon as available. Although the booklet and the online version were updated in February 2009, mainly to reflect correct phone numbers and to add Web Links, most information in previous editions is correct.

The booklet "Information for Survivors of USCG, USCGR, and NOAA Retirees" is available on our web site:

<http://www.uscg.mil/ppc/survivorguide.pdf>.

Mail to: COMMANDING OFFICER (RAS)
USCG PPC, ATTN: SURVIVOR PKT
444 SE QUINCY
TOPEKA, KS 66683-3591

Fax to: 785-339-3770

E-Mail: ppc-dg-ras@uscg.mil (Be sure to include all the information requested above with the exception of the full SSN. Only send the last two digits of your SSN when corresponding with us by electronic mail).

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

Customers now have the capability to make the following changes through the Self Service application:

- ◆ Change Direct Deposit information.
- ◆ Update mailing address, e-mail address(es), and phone numbers.
- ◆ Opt in/out of receiving the Retiree Newsletter and Pay Slip by mail.
- ◆ View and print Pay Slips and IRS Forms 1099R.

PPC plans to add the following functionality to the Self Service application in the future:

- ◆ Change federal tax withholding.
- ◆ Change state tax withholding (retirees only).
- ◆ Start, stop, & change allotments (retirees only).
- ◆ Review/verify final pay beneficiaries.
- ◆ Submit Certificates of Eligibility & Reports of Existence.

Editor's notes**KEEPING RETIREE & ANNUNITANT 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
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 (ADM-3)
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:

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 USCG Pay & Personnel Center
 444 SE Quincy St
 Topeka, KS 66683-3591

(* 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** or call us at the numbers listed below (phone menu option #4). The deadline for the next issue is November 9, 2010.

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	1 800 538-9552 (TTY/TDD) 1 866 363-2883	http://www.tricare.mil/deers In CA: 1 800 334-4162; In AK & HI 1 800 527-5602
Mail-Order Pharmacy	1 866 363-8667	http://www.tricare.mil/mybenefit/home/Prescriptions/FillingPrescriptions/TMOP
Retiree Dental Plan	1 888 838-8737	http://www.trdp.org
TRICARE Overseas	1 888 777-8343	http://www.tricare.mil/mybenefit/home/overview/Regions/RegionsNonUS
TRICARE United States	phone numbers on their website	http://tricare.mil
TRICARE For Life	1 866 773-0404	http://www.tricare.mil/tfl/default.cfm
Senior Pharmacy Program	1 877 363-6337	http://tricare.mil/mybenefit/home/overview/Eligibility/WhoIsEligible/MedicareBeneficiaries
Federal Long-Term Health Insurance	1 800 582-3337	http://www.opm.gov/insure/ltc/
CG Health Benefits Advisor	1 800 942-2422	
Veterans Benefits	Phone	Websites/Notes
Department of Veterans Affairs	1 800 827-1000	http://www.va.gov
Insurance Information	1 800 669-8477	http://www.insurance.va.gov
Veterans Group Life Insurance		http://www.insurance.va.gov/sglisite/vgli/vgli.htm
New VGLI Applications and VGLI Reinstatements: OSGLI PO Box 41618 Philadelphia, PA 19176-9913	1 800 419-1473 Overseas phone (973) 548-5699 Overseas fax # (973) 548-5300	Death and accelerated benefits claims only: Fax: 1 877 832-4943 All other fax inquiries: 1 800 236-6142 or e-mail: osgli.claims@prudential.com All other inquiries: osgli.osgli@prudential.com General Correspondence: Office of Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance 80 Livingston Avenue Roseland, NJ 07068-1733
Federal Benefits for Veterans and Dependents	1 800 827-1000	http://www.va.gov/opa/vadocs/current_benefits.asp VA Pamphlet 80-02-1
Headstones and Markers	1 800 697-6947	http://www.cem.va.gov/hm.htm

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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	http://www.uscg.mil/ppc/ses/ 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	http://www.uscg.mil/ppc/tvl.asp 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	http://vetrecs.archives.gov Write to: National Personnel Records Center 9700 Page Avenue St. Louis, MO 63132-5100
For copies of personnel records, medical & dental records, and service medals-requests must be in writing and include complete name, rank, SSN, dates of service and date of birth. DD-214's are now available via the website http://vetrecs.archives.gov		
Social Security	1 800 772-1213	http://www.ssa.gov
WWII U.S. Merchant Marine Awards and Decorations	(202) 366-2646	http://www.marad.dot.gov/contact_us.html 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	E-mail: NRHDesk@gmail.com
*enter 55381 when you hear the voice greeting		

Military Retiree Paydays for CY 2011

January 3	May 2	September 1
February 1	June 1	October 3
March 1	July 1	November 1
April 1	August 1	December 1

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TOPEKA KS 66683-3591

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