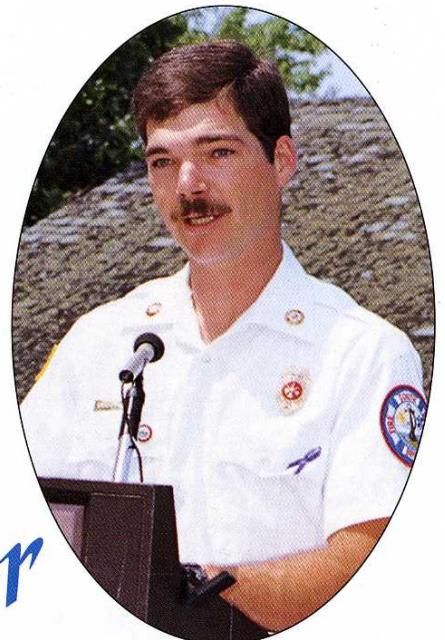
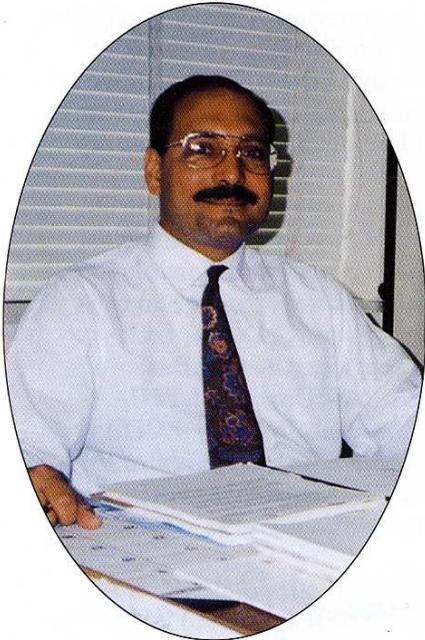


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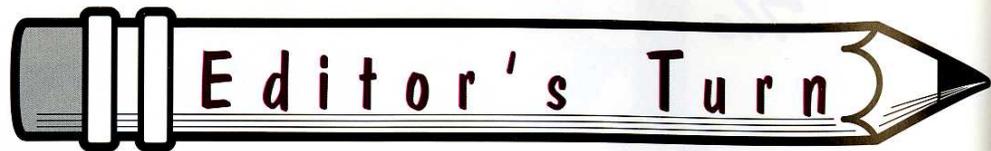
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Clockwise from top: CWO2 Laura Rivera, BM2 Robert Mitchell, CWO3 Livonia Bass, BM2 Kevin Battle and SK3 Nauri Ahmed. Story begins on 6.



This month, in conjunction with Labor Day, we're highlighting the civilian occupations of Coast Guard Reservists. I must admit, as I shipped this issue to the printer, I along with the staff here at Coast Guard Headquarters, breathed a sigh of relief. Indeed, it's a big issue — the biggest ever! The reason? Well, when we solicited for citizen-sailor information, we never expected such a phenomenal response. In fact, the response was so positive that we decided to accommodate as many of your submissions as possible. In addition, we're thinking about doing citizen-sailor annually or perhaps running a regular section featuring a few citizen-sailors. Tell us what **you** think!

Most of this issue relates in one way or another to the citizen-sailor theme. An award-winning essay written in 1986 by then 17-year-old high school senior Kimberly Schopf, kicks off the citizen-sailor section. She describes what it means to be a citizen-sailor in America. I think you'll find the individual occupational blurbs particularly interesting. We as Coast Guard Reservists do some pretty interesting things for a living when we're not in uniform — from shoeing horses to fighting fires, from driving trains to cooking at prisons. Conversely, these skills help us serve the Coast Guard and nation better.

The 180th anniversary of the writing of the Star-Spangled Banner is coming up this Sept. 14. With that in mind, we've published two articles, one on the U.S. Sea Fencibles, citizen-sailors who played a major role in defending Fort McHenry, the other on Francis Scott Key, writer of our National Anthem.

Finally, I'd like to take this opportunity to recognize the fine Reserve Staff that helped put this issue together: LCDR Page Croyder, LTJG Tammy Rosario, PA2 Pamela Sanders and YN3 Susan Delgado. LCDR Croyder is returning to her civilian occupation this fall as an Assistant State's Attorney for Baltimore, Md. while LTJG Rosario leaves SADT to be a full time homemaker and university student. To them and to all citizen-sailors across the nation, I salute you!

Edward J. Kruska

Editor, *The Coast Guard Reservist*

“ Citizens must be prepared to devote a portion of their routine in order to be capable in defense of country. ”

— General George Washington



Skin cancer article hit home

Thank you for the May 1994 issue of *Reservist*. The article about skin cancer struck home.

I was assigned to the *Cutter Munro* during the Korean Airlines Flight 007 Search and Salvage operation. While at sea, the ship's corpsman diagnosed the bleeding, cracked patch of skin on my neck as skin cancer.

All I heard was the word "cancer" — not something that a 25-year-old petty officer was well equipped mentally to handle while under the pressure of that particular op.

I don't blame the corpsman a bit (he was much much better than most). But it would have been a great deal easier if someone, preferably him, had taken the time to explain what skin cancer is and how insignificant it is in the scheme of things.

I am not downplaying the significance of skin cancer, but it is just another of life's maladies that if taken seriously and taken care of right the first time, need not cause undue mental anguish, as it did me.

In the same issue...I'm very glad to see RADM Sloncen's appointment to G-R. He visited RU Hilo, Hawaii recently and while there discovered that he needed a new fingerprint card. Fingerprinting an admiral is one of the more fun things I have had to do in the USCGR and made more interesting

by the fact that RADM Sloncen wears his rank as a sidebar to his humanity and personal charm. Mrs. Sloncen is one of the nicest people I have met in years and with both Sloncen's at the helm of G-R (it is a team effort after all), we are all in good hands.

— RM1 Stephen Walker
RU Hilo, Hawaii

Citizen-Sailor Tidbit: RADM Sloncen's tenure as G-R was for the summer only. He resumed his civilian duties as an administrator for Hyder School District in Dateland, Ariz. in early September. As of this writing, his replacement had not been selected.

Boat hook, not pike pole

In your July 1994 issue on Page 10, there is a photo of MK1 Charles Watson. The caption reads, "Right: MK1 Charles Watson checks the depth with a pike pole while aboard the 21-footer RHI during shuttle ops in April." The object that MK1 Watson is holding is called a boat hook, not a pike pole. The word pike would imply that the tip is pointed, such as the pike poles that firefighters use.

In addition, I would also like to voice my opinion about the photo on page 19. The photo is of four enlisted personnel posing on the bow of what appears to be a 41-foot UTB. First problem is that the vessel is not moored properly. Notice the way the mooring line is secured to the mooring cleat. Second, none of the personnel are wearing lifejackets. Third, one of the persons does not appear to meet height and weight standards.

We are obligated to project the safest and most professional image to the public and especially our fellow mariners. I would like to ask for a little more vigilance on behalf of the editors at *The Reservist*.

— BM3 Philip Porteus, USCGR
New York, N.Y.

BM3 Porteus' point regarding the boat hook is valid. Although some in the field use the term "pike pole," boat hook is correct.

With respect to the photo on Page 19, The Reservist does review photographic content for compliance with Coast Guard Regulations, although with an extremely small staff, some things occasionally get by us. As we have asked before, reservists can help by reviewing their own photos prior to submission. However, upon taking a second look at the photo in question, we stand by our decision to publish it. It was a photo staged for the simple purpose of recognizing four reservists for a job well done.

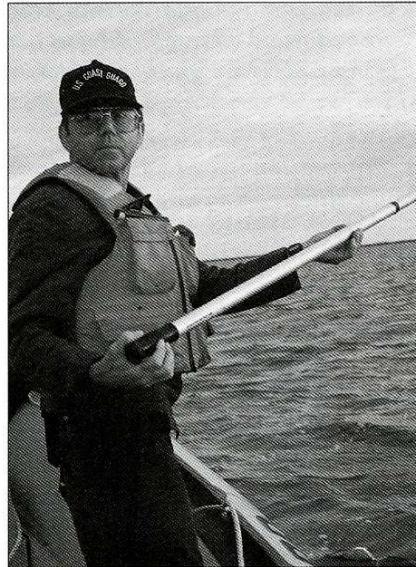


Photo published in July issue

Retirement recognition

Your article in the July 1994 issue regarding retirement recognition written by Mrs. Henderson was good — so was your reply. You could add my name to your list of retirees. I retired as of June 1, 1994 with 24 years, four months from D13.

— BMC David Womelsdorff
Vancouver, Wash.

I read the letter that Mrs. Henderson wrote about getting her husband recognized in *The Reservist* for his retirement. I would like to inform you that my husband, LCDR David Strickland, retired from the Coast Guard

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Reserve on June 2, 1994 and has not appeared in *The Reservist*.

Also, I would like to tell you that there have been many people who have retired from the Reserve that have also not been recognized by the units with which they served. My husband and several other members of his unit have retired due to the reductions that have occurred in the past few years. However, most of these people failed to get recognition even in the unit's newsletter. These people made tremendous sacrifices to drill in the Reserve and using the excuse that "too many are leaving to be recognized" just doesn't wash. It is not just your oversight that is disheartening, but is a problem throughout the entire Coast Guard Reserve.

— Mrs. Billie Marie Strickland
Roanoke Rapids, N.C.

The Reservist makes every effort to be as thorough as possible regarding awards and retirements. However, due to the combined factors of retirement processing time and advanced publishing deadlines, it often takes several months before some retirement information filters down into this magazine.

IRR members and The Reservist

I really enjoy each issue of *The Reservist* and look forward to its arrival in my mailbox each month. Could you tell me if members of the Individual Ready Reserve receive your fine magazine each month? If not, would it be possible to have it mailed for a fee? I may be transferred to the IRR next fiscal year and I do not want to miss any issues. I would be willing to pay any reasonable fee to continue receiving *The Reservist*.

— CWO4 James Gorton, USCGR
Cohoes, N.Y.

At this time, all members of the Selected Reserve, Individual Ready Reserve and retirees receive The Reservist, provided they have kept the USCG informed of address changes. Incidentally, when The Reservist staff at HQ receives returned magazines without corrected addresses, those names are placed in a holding file until a correct address is received from the individual. As of this writing, approximately 1800 Ready Reservists are in the holding file. As always, address changes should be made through your District(r) office.

Appreciated D-Day issue

I certainly appreciate the fine job you and the crew did on the "D-Day, 50 Years Later" article in the June issue of *The Reservist*. The Golden Anniversary / Jubilee of that world-shaping and successful event (the Allies landing at Normandy) was quite a moving article. Even in the cynical and jaundiced eyes of the world today, that was an awesome evolution.

— CDR Daniel V. Hagan
Statesboro, Ga.

Citizen-Sailor Tidbit: CDR Hagan has a doctoral degree and works in the Department of Biology at Georgia Southern University.

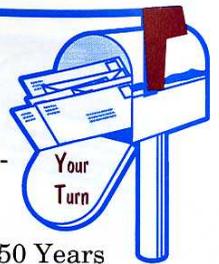
I was pleased to be sent a copy of the June 1994 special D-Day issue of *The Reservist* and I have arranged for it to be placed in the Borough archives, as Poole holds the USCG in special regard. We were pleased to welcome veterans returning at the beginning of June and hope they had a good journey home.

Poole Historical Trust is a charity which usually publishes hard-back books on local history, but for this year's D-Day anniversary it published a glossy covered booklet entitled *D-Day: Poole* recording the events in Poole in 1944. Naturally, the USCG featured strongly in it. I am sure the booklet will be of interest to many of your readers.

— Ian K.D. Andrews
Poole Historical Trust
Poole, England

Sixty boats assigned to Coast Guard Rescue Flotilla One were headquartered at Poole prior to D-Day. The booklet Mr. Andrews mentioned may be ordered for \$10 (payable via international money order) or personal check (\$10 plus \$7.65 due to heavy conversion charges) by writing:

*Poole Historical Trust
103 Orchard Avenue
Poole, Dorset BH14 8AH*



“
The reservist
is twice
a citizen.”

— Sir Winston Churchill

A View From LANT Area

By Rear Admiral Richard W. Schneider, USCGR

Senior Reserve Officer, Atlantic Area



Coast Guard rate and ratings, but each of us has other skills that are very valuable to the Coast Guard, especially in our present budget climate.

We have passed through a rough period. Still, we are even more resolute in our conviction

From time to time, the CG Reserve's two Senior Reserve Officers — RADM Richard W. Schneider, LANT Area and RADM Robert E. Sloncen, PAC Area — will take port and starboard turns in writing a column. Hopefully, this will add insight and a different perspective from our Reserve's flag leadership and keep reservists abreast of the Reserve's course. A View From The Bridge by the Chief, Office of Readiness & Reserve, will resume later this fall after a new G-R is named.

It is with a great sense of responsibility and anticipation that I write my first column to you. I assumed the position of Senior Reserve Officer Atlantic from RADM Merrilees the end of June and will be serving in that capacity for four years.

Although I have only been serving officially for two months in my new position, I am very grateful to RADM's Penington and Sloncen, and especially RADM Merrilees for mentoring me so intensely since I was selected in October 1993. You see, four years is really not a very long time — my watch has already started and we have much to do and offer to the U.S. Coast Guard and the nation. I have hit the deck running.

This edition of *The Reservist* focuses on the civilian skills of our reservists. These skills are an extra benefit to the Coast Guard. Of course, we first must be as professional and as qualified as we can be for our individual

of a need of a viable and ready part-time force to assist the active components in their day to day peace time missions. Then, we will be ready to handle anything that comes our way during a surge. In the next several months, you will be reading and hearing much about the "Peschel Study Team" and our integration plans. The basis of this work is that the active duty commanders must have ready access to **all** of their resources — full-time, part-time and civilian — to meet their increasing mission requirements with less funding. The Reserve program's major measure of effectiveness will be to meet 100 percent of the tasking of our active duty commanders on time and where needed. We must all be fully capable and qualified if we are going to remain true to our motto of "Always Ready — Semper Paratus."

I am very encouraged about the future role of the Reserve components and our new Commandant's vision of "Team Coast Guard." I look forward to ensuring that we have an environment in which each of you can reach your full potential for the benefit of the Coast Guard. My goal in LANT area and RADM Sloncen's goal in PAC area is to ensure that we can say to our new Coast Guard leadership, "Sir, our reservists are Semper Paratus!"



Citizen-Sailor Tidbit: RADM Schneider is president of Norwich University in Northfield, Vt., America's oldest private military college, established in 1819.



Outgoing Senior Reserve Officer, LANT Area RADM G. Robert Merrilees, right, passes "the baton" to incoming RADM Richard W. Schneider, left, as RADM Robert E. Sloncen, center, looks on at a relief ceremony on Governors Island, N.Y. June 23. The passing of the baton, which lists all prior LANT Area Senior Reserve Officers, is a tradition started by RADM Bennett S. Sparks. Merrilees, who retired from the CG Reserve June 30, was also honored July 9 at Cape Canaveral, Fla.

SALUTING THE

The article below originally appeared in the July 1986 issue of Reserve Officers Association National Security Report. It was the winning essay in the 1986 U.S. Army Reserve High School Essay Contest that year and Miss Schopf, then 17, was a senior at Eisenhower High School, New Berlin, Wis., a Milwaukee suburb. Incidentally, in 1990, she married the Reserve soldier who escorted her to the military ball mentioned in the essay here — Staff Sgt. David Goodspeed. Also in 1990, she graduated from Carroll College in Waukesha, Wis. with a Bachelor of Science in English. Now, the Goodspeeds live in Madison, Wis., where Ms. Goodspeed is working on her Secondary Teaching Certificate at the University of Wisconsin at Madison. She is also a staff sergeant (E-6) in the Army Reserve serving in the 5045th U.S. Armed Forces School as an Ammunition Specialist Instructor. Though some of her essay is directed specifically to the Army, her thoughts on the "Citizen-Soldier" can easily be applied to Coast Guard Reserve "Citizen-Sailors."

"Citizen and Soldier"

Two sides of one coin

By Kimberly Schopf

In September, I went to a military ball with a Reserve soldier. It was a ball honoring retiring Major General John Erfmeier. One event of that night particularly commands a hold on my memory. We sang "The Star-Spangled Banner." I think we would have made Francis Scott Key proud. Gazing upon a room filled with the military aura of crisp yellow stripes and warm shining brass and black polished shoes, I raised my eyes as well as my chin. And the music lifted my heart.

These uniformed soldiers sang a 172-year-old song. Triumphant melody accompanied proud words. I listened as the Major General in the seat of honor and as the Private in the seat next to me sang: "And the Star-Spangled Banner in triumph shall wave, O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave."

Each soldier singing in that room supported a creed that has provided a foundation on which words such as "triumph" and "free" and "home" can stand: "I am a man of the United States Army — protector of the greatest nation on earth."

The words of this creed speak

the "commitment" to which President Reagan refers. The commitment that has kept our country a "land of the free."

Americans live in a democracy that promises a means for achieving the closest possible to true amity. And the Reserve component that supports our democracy costs taxpayers a fraction of the amount

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a similar standing Army would require: The Reserve cost \$1,994 million in 1983, only 3.5 percent of the Total Army's appropriations, while it comprises one-third of our total military force.

The reservist has duty 38 days yearly. However, this citizen-soldier proclaims, not only 38 times a year, but 365, that the two titles, "citizen" and "soldier," are indeed two sides of one coin: The soldier is a soldier because he wishes to

defend the principles and privileges of his citizenship. A civilian and a soldier, each contributing to the other's welfare and skill, he is a partisan of our defense force as well as a productive member of civilian society.

History reveals the importance of the citizen-soldier's maintenance of a dual responsibility. In colonial days, farmers and craftsmen set down in emergencies their plows and tools to back the regular force. These part-time soldiers received little pay and less encouragement, and yet, survived. Today's Army Reserve has assisted the Total Army in WWI, WWII, Korea, the Berlin Crisis, and Vietnam; has helped process Vietnamese and Cuban refugees, and restore order in Grenada; and acts as a deterrent resource to help prevent war and ensure peace.

The reservist proclaims he believes in preserving the honor of being American. This means everything to our nation's defense. This means everything to achieving that closest possible to true amity. And that Reserve soldier and I sang this in the words of Francis Scott Key's 172-year-old song.

CITIZEN-SAILOR

EM3 Raymond Hanley, a member of RU Maintenance and Repair New York on Governors Island is an electrician for the city of New York. Here he is shown working on the lights of the Manhattan Bridge.



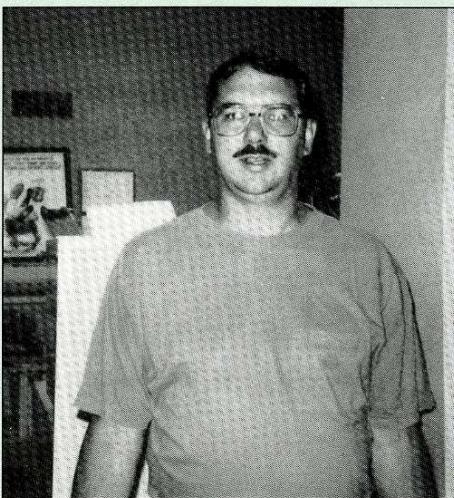
PS3 James Witko, a Sergeant Investigator for the Bureau County Sheriff's Department in Princeton, Ill., seized 265 pounds of marijuana along with his partner while training with the U.S. Border Patrol in Arizona during June 1994. Witko also used his civilian connections while on active duty during the Midwest floods of 1993 to procure desperately needed maps and plat books to help track the flooded farms and areas.

When *The Reservist* solicited its readers last spring for contributions to our "Citizen-Sailor" issue in honor of Labor Day, we never expected such an enthusiastic outpouring of submissions. The number of letters and faxes, the quality and versatility of Coast Guard Reservists and the obvious pride each one takes in what they do for their families, their communities and their country simply overwhelmed us. We have tried to recognize each contributor by publishing every submission (edited for space reasons), hoping we did not lose any in the deluge.

The Reservist salutes all Coast Guard Reservists this Labor Day and hopes you enjoy reading about yourselves and your shipmates as much as we did.

The following 16 pages are a scrapbook of sorts of reservists from around the nation and what they do as civilians.

YN1 Merl "Bud" Ashworth's experience writing computer programs as an analyst for the Defense Security Assistance Agency (DSAA) at the Pentagon comes in handy to Coast Guard Supply Center Curtis Bay, Md. There, Ashworth serves as Systems Administrator for RU Washington's standard computer system and as an instructor of various computer courses. In addition, he trains personnel at the Supply Center during his two weeks ADT, saving money for the Coast Guard.

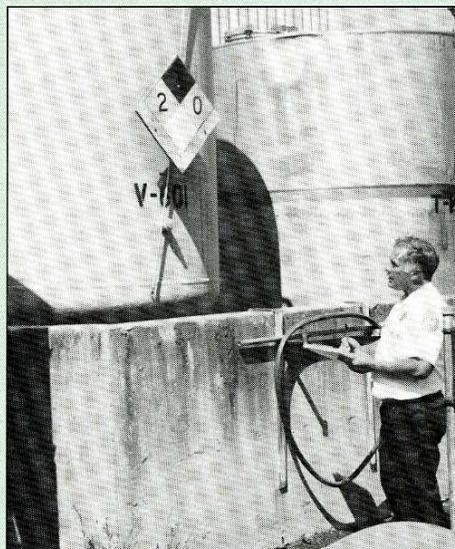


YN1 "Bud" Ashworth

What does a manager of government affairs for a Fortune 500 company have to offer the Coast Guard? Plenty! When **YN2 Tom Howard** isn't covering 10 Northeastern states and parts of Canada for the Georgia-Pacific Corporation, he's performing the administrative work of RU Boothbay Harbor, Maine and adding some of his special experience to the Coast Guard to boot. Working as a member of the Small Boat Staffing Study Quality Action Team at Coast Guard Headquarters (a special TEMAC assignment), Howard prepared a paper analyzing congressional inquiries directed at boat stations. He has also arranged USCG station visits by congressional candidates. Howard recently joined the Coast Guard's Sea-Keepers Campaign. "My work with Sea-Keepers is a nice complement to my work with Georgia-Pacific," he says, comparing his company's envi-

ronmental leadership in forest products to the Coast Guard's marine environmental protection program.

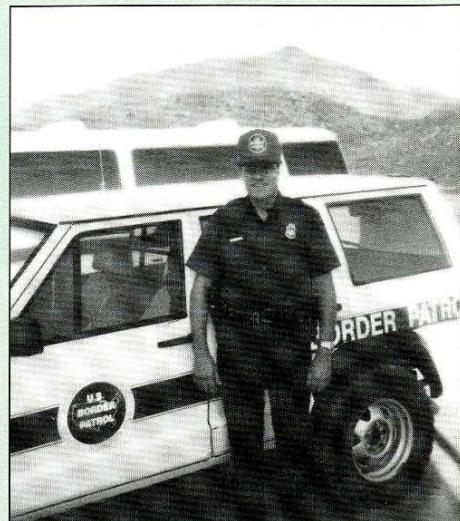
PS1 Paul C. Berg, a Vietnam veteran (and former crew chief on a Huey helicopter), now serves the City of Camas, Wash. as Fire Marshall, responsible for all fire prevention activities from review of plans and specifications to inspections and code enforcement. Recently he inspected CG Station Depoe Bay, Ore. where he augments as a reservist, pointing out deficiencies in fire and life safety codes and standards in preparation for upcoming MLC PAC inspections. Berg's fire service experience has also benefitted the Coast Guard during SAR missions, including two charter boat fires during the last few years and a cliff rescue last spring.



PS1 Paul Berg

PS1 Steven R. Golda, a weekend team leader at MSO San Diego, has worked for a dozen years for the Border Patrol. Currently a Senior Agent, he has served in numerous assignments for the Border Patrol, including anti-smuggling details and as an academy instructor in Spanish and firearms. Last year following a dramatic car chase Golda and other agents seized 585 pounds of marijuana that was smuggled into the U.S. from Mexico. Golda has the Coast Guard Reserve and

Border patrol in his blood: his father, CWO4 Ted Golda, is a retired Border Patrol Agent and reservist out of the Lake Erie region.



PS1 Steven Golda

PAC Ronald Cabral recently combined his Reserve public affairs experience with his full-time duties as principal of Potrero Hill Middle School in San Francisco when he escorted Navy Admiral Ernest Tedeschi through the school. Tedeschi served as "principal for a day" as part of a local school district program fostering bonds between students and military, business and government leaders. Cabral, the everyday principal and citizen-sailor example to the students, has been an educator for 28 years. He augments the 11th District's public affairs office.



PAC Ron Cabral (right) escorts Navy ADM Ernest Tedeschi (left) and his staff through Potrero Hill Middle School.

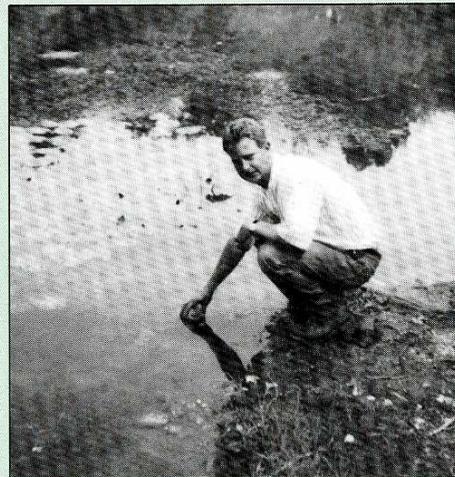


IV1 Jo Anne Ablott (right), with daughter Victoria, a 9-1-1 dispatcher.

IV1 JoAnne Ablott's 23-year career with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's department includes stints in the pioneering "Women on Patrol" program, a patrol field sergeant, a community speaker on law enforcement and safety issues, an instructor at the Sheriff's Academy, and a detective in sex crimes and juvenile offenses. Now a sergeant in the Homicide Bureau, Ablott was a key figure in the investigation of an active duty Coast Guard O-5 stationed at CG HQ suspected of spouse and sexual child abuse. Because of her special civilian experience in sex crimes, Ablott was called in to help interview and later provide support to one of the incest victims. Partly as a result of her interviewing skill and knowledge, sufficient evidence was obtained to convict the O-5 both at a USCG court-martial and in Virginia state court. Ablott augments the 11th District's OLE office in Long Beach, Calif.

BM1 Robert "Mitch" Mitchell wears so many hats it's hard to keep them straight. He's a coxswain at RU Boothbay Harbor, Maine, a petroleum products supplier for Colby and Gale, Inc., an Assistant Fire Chief of the Fire Department in South Bristol, Maine, and a hus-

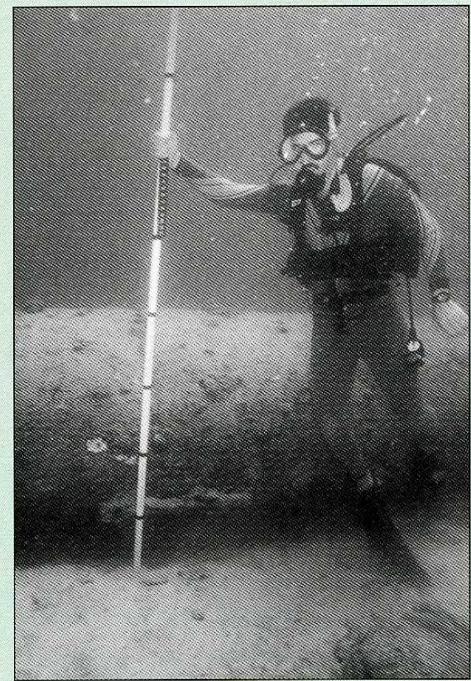
band and father of two. Mitchell contributed 1000 hours of his own time helping to build a new community firehouse and served as Master of Ceremonies at its dedication. He also was instrumental in negotiating a voluntary agreement between Lincoln County, Maine and the Coast Guard to provide assistance to each other when needed. Going out on a SAR case, responding as an EMT, and getting oil to Bristol residents during freezing temperatures is just part of Mitchell's nature. "My mom and dad always taught me that service to others comes before service to self. I want my sons to emulate that philosophy." See photo on cover, top, right.



PS2 Jeffrey McKenna

PS2 Jeffrey McKenna's CG Reserve experience in hazardous materials, segregation and pollution response was a key factor in his ability to obtain employment as a Senior Environmental Specialist for the County of Gloucester, N.J., where he responds to environmental incidents affecting the air, water, and soil. Now, the two careers reinforce one another. "For example, the sampling methodology used routinely during my civilian career has helped refine my Coast Guard C.O.I.L. analysis procedures," said McKenna. He augments MSO/Group Philadelphia.

What's a Ph.D. marine scientist doing in the Coast Guard Reserve? Well, he couldn't have financed his graduate degree without the Reserve, says **CDR John Leonard**. And he has contributed in kind: Leonard was the only reservist to respond to both the *Mega Borg* fire and oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, and the *Exxon Valdez* oil spill in Alaska, two major spills of national significance in 1989-90. In civilian life, Dr. Leonard is a marine scientist with Hazen and Sawyer Environmental Engineers & Scientists, a consulting firm in Raleigh, N.C. Leonard's work takes him all over the eastern U.S., performing water quality studies of the ocean, rivers, and lakes, and often involves diving surveys of underwater pipelines. Leonard, currently XO of a newly created MARDEZ unit, Composite Naval Coastal Warfare Unit 205 in Norfolk, Va. recently performed 21 days of TEMAC at MSO Wilmington, N.C. as Team Leader of the Sea-Keepers Marine Environmental Education Program.



CDR John Leonard

Ingalls Shipbuilding

Ingalls Shipbuilding, a world-class shipyard in Pascagoula, Miss. that constructs ships for the Navy, obviously appreciates the value of the Reserve, employing no fewer than six Coast Guard reservists.

LCDR James French, CO of CGRU Pensacola, Fla., has been a Section Manager in Production Planning for the last 19 years, responsible for planning new construction from destroyers (DD) to cruisers (CG) to helicopter assault ships (LHA & LHD) to submarines.

MK2 Melvin Johnson is a supervisor of Electrical/Electronics Planning for new construction on CG's & DDG's. An Ingalls employee for 20 years, he plans the fabrication, installation and hook-up of all shipboard electrical systems.

Johnson's 21 years of military service includes four years in the Air Force. He currently augments by standing OOD watches at CG Station Gulfport, Miss.

MK2 Randy Sims is currently an inspector with the Quality Assurance Department. He has spent most of these years as a machinist working on submarines, DD's, CG's, DDG's, and LHD's. Sims has 13 years military service including six years US Army, and is currently augmenting as a small boat engineer at CG Station Gulfport, Miss.

BM1 Danny Lewis has worked for Ingalls for seven years, working in Engineering Test and Trials and now currently assigned to Marine Technical. He has also worked on CG's, DDG's, LHD's, and numerous new business proposals for ice-breakers and submarines. Lewis is

currently assigned to USCGC *Sweetgum*, a buoy tender in Mobile, Ala., and has 21 years of active and reserve service.

DC2 Tom McKee has been a Senior Planner with Production Planning for 19 years and is responsible for planning ventilation systems on various naval ships including submarines. With a total of 12 years in the Coast Guard Reserve, McKee is augmenting as a small boat engineer at CG Station Gulfport, Miss.

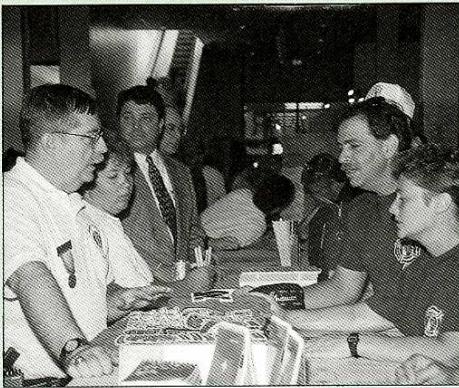
MK1 Kenneth Wirtz is a supervisor with the Machinery Department where he has worked for the last 20 years on the installation of major machinery on Navy ships. Prior to his CGR retirement earlier this year after 23 years of service he was a boat engineer at CG Station Gulfport, Miss.



Ingalls Shipbuilding, Mississippi's largest industrial employer and a world leader in design and construction of surface combatants, has six CG Reservists amongst its ranks. Left to right Tom McKee, Jim French, Mel Johnson, Kenneth Wirtz, Randy Sims and Danny Lewis.

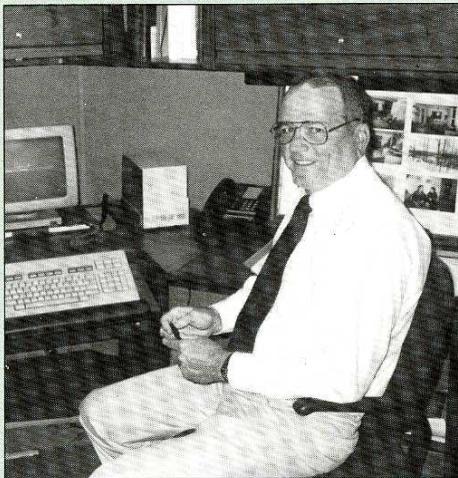
CWO2 Laura Rivera's ability to supervise two dozen clerks and prepare monthly reports as operations manager for the clerk's office, U.S. District Court, District of Puerto Rico carries directly over to her reserve job as administrative officer for RU San Juan, P.R. She also gets to see the result of Coast Guard efforts in the field from her federal court vantage point. "Most drug cases [with the USCG involved] end up in convictions," she says. A reservist since 1974, Rivera was the first female warrant in Puerto Rico. See photo on cover, top, center.

PS1 Andy Aguilar, one of the many firefighters in the CGR, just started his 28th year in the "fire business." Considering all the dangers," he says, "I feel very lucky to have escaped serious problems." Long healthy lives must run in the family — his grandmother just celebrated her 100th birthday. Aguilar drills at RU MSO San Francisco.



PSC W. Colburn, Jr. (far right)

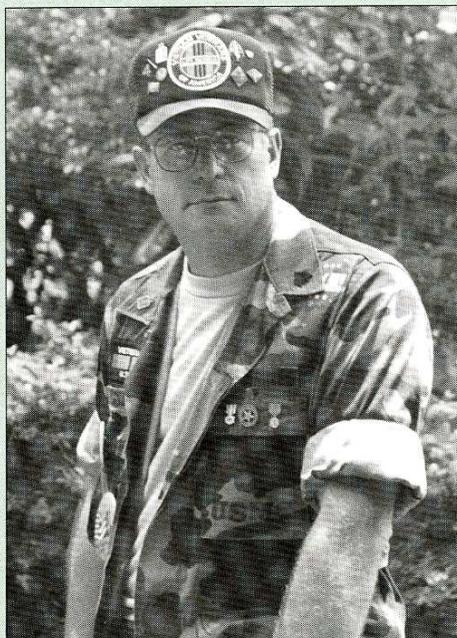
PSC Wayne R. Colburn, Jr. directly translates his duties as a faculty member of the University of Maryland to the Coast Guard. A nationally certified instructor at the University's Fire and Rescue Institute in all levels of fire, rescue and basic emergency care, Colburn established a training program for the Coast Guard Yard Fire Department in Curtis Bay, Md. There he trains personnel to be nationally certified firefighters and EMTs, savings thousands of dollars in training costs to the Coast Guard.



PSC "Hans" Verhaeg

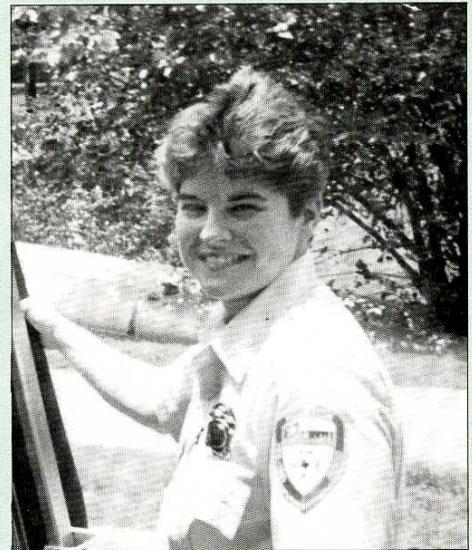
Holland-born, Brazilian-raised **Johannes "Hans" Verhaeg** became a U.S. citizen in 1971 and began serving his adopted country as a member of the CG Reserve soon thereafter. Now a PSC drilling at RU COTP New York, Verhaeg works as a Safety and Occupational Health Specialist for Coast Guard MLC LANT on Governors Island, NY. "I have the type of job that I should pay the Coast Guard to do," he says. "I love it."

PS3 Chris Christenbury, a Vietnam veteran, serves as Outpost Leader for Point Man International Ministries, in central Richmond, an organization that helps with training, education and counseling of veterans not in the main stream of the community. "My goal is to assist homeless and directionless individuals into a relationship with God that will lead to their eventual re-emergence into society. The program is based on the premise that helping others will eventually help one's self." He is assigned to RU Norfolk, Detachment Richmond. He is also part of the Sea-Keeper's Program.



PS3 "Chris" Christenbury

After a decade of reserve service in Port Security, **IVC John K. Cassidy** applied in 1981 for the new D5 Reserve Agent Program and was one of the first accepted. Following his retirement in 1986 as sergeant from the Maryland State Police, Cassidy was asked to come on active duty for two years as a special agent at the CG Yard, which stretched to five years. Now back to civilian life as Assistant Chief of the Regional Examination Center at MSO Baltimore, Cassidy is drilling again, this time for D5(ole) in Portsmouth, Va. doing background investigations.



EM2 Gretchen Wolf

EM2 Gretchen L. Wolf of RU Base Galveston, Texas, has been in the Reserve since 1991, following a four-year stint on active duty. While the Reserve boasts many male firefighters, Wolf was the only female firefighter to have contacted *The Reservist*. "I am one of the newest rookies of the Houston Fire Department. My duties include Emergency Medical Services as well as fire fighting. I am very excited and proud to be a member of the Houston Fire Department."

When a fishing charter foundered in the icy waters of the Chesapeake Bay last December, **BM2 Mark Allen** was one of two reservists on board a 41-foot UTB that made several dramatic rescues. When not braving winter storms on the bay, however, Allen, a coxswain at RU St. Inigoes, Md. reports to McDonnell Douglas Aerospace as the Lead Engineering Administrator and Technical Editing Skill manager for a major NASA/Goddard Space Flight Center contract. He once used his administrative and technical writing experience on behalf of CGHQ's Office of Search and Rescue in a nine-month stint, editing and researching the *National Search and Rescue Manual* and improving operations of *On Scene: The National Maritime Search and Rescue Review* magazine.



The Naval Air Warfare Center, Aircraft Division, Warminster, Pa. employs CG retirees and several CG Reservists including those shown here next to a C-130. Left to right: Larry Creasy (USCG retired), Gerald Watkins, Matt Douglas and Thomas McLaughlin.

LT Doug Dawson, is currently the Chief Engineer for Aviation Survival and Rescue Systems at Warminster, Pa. Early in his reserve career, he was involved in the design and development of the CG's helicopter underwater escape rebreather and six-man life raft. As OOD during drills for Group/Air Station Cape May, he frequently briefed CG air crews on state-of-the-art survival and rescue systems. Currently, Dawson is working with the CG in the development of a Helicopter-Emergency Egress Device. Assigned to RU Philadelphia, Dawson appreciates the opportunity the CGR has given him to get hands-on experience with many of the survival items he has management responsibility for as a civilian.

EM2 Gerald Watkins, who is responsible for Navy construction contracts at the Aircraft Division is a former Navy electrician's mate now drilling at RU Cape May, *USCGC Vigorous*. Watkins says his purpose in the Reserve is "to pass on my electrical and shipboard experiences to the engineering division aboard *Vigorous*."

CWO3 Thomas McLaughlin, whose career spans four decades of active and reserve service, is an Electrical Engineering Design Technician at Warminster, Pa. During his reserve career McLaughlin has, among other things, taught EM school during the summers at RTC Yorktown, inspected and investigated electrical sites on Governors Island, repaired the gyro on *USCGC Alert*, and arranged for engineering and electronic meters to be calibrated on short notice by his civilian employer at a cost savings to the Coast Guard. A veteran of the Alien Migration Interdiction and *Able Manner* operations, McLaughlin is currently assigned to the National Strike Force-Atlantic Strike Team, Reserve Detachment, Fort Dix, N.J.

MK3 Matt Douglas works for the Aircraft Division as an engineer, currently involved in the design and installation of experimental systems in the navy's anti-submarine warfare aircraft. A small boat crewman and engineer at RU Philadelphia, Douglas' knowledge of both the practical requirements and theoretical aspects of engineering enabled

him to qualify in a very short period of time, and makes him an excellent training asset to the Coast Guard.

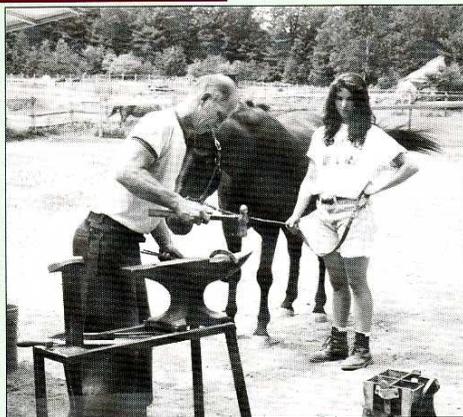
One of **MK3 Steven Ferioli's** most significant contributions to his community comes from the job he doesn't get paid for: volunteering in his RU's "Education: 2000" program. Ferioli, a qualified engineer on the 41 and 44 foot boats at Station Point Judith, R.I. and a firefighter in Providence R.I., has spent his own time teaching first-aid to fourth graders at an inner city elementary school in Pawtucket, R.I.



MK3 Steven Ferioli

When **Dr. Thomas Ratledge** isn't serving as assistant principal of North Surrey High School in Mt. Airy, N.C., a school with over 1110 students, he's YN1 Tom Ratledge at RU Greensboro, N.C., where he works as Assistant Office Manager in charge of personnel administration. He's also an instructor for Personnel Support School (TPS) at TRACEN Petaluma during the summers.

IVC Ed Lingo, is a Major in the Honolulu Police Department, supervising 72 personnel in the Juvenile Crime Prevention Division. For the Coast Guard he augments the Intelligence Section of the 14th District where he investigates white collar Coast Guard crimes. His Coast Guard knowledge has enhanced his police-training efforts throughout the former Trust Territory of Micronesia, particularly in rules and regulations of the sea and vessel boarding procedures.



DC2 George Clancy, Jr.

Perhaps the most unusual civilian occupation we heard about belongs to **DC2 George Clancy, Jr.**, who is a farrier, another term for blacksmith...which means yes, he shoes horses for a living. After two tours in the Navy (with experience in welding) Clancy joined the CGR and got into a civilian occupation he considered easier than engineering repair at the Groton sub base. In business for himself, Clancy shoes all kinds of horses for all kinds of purposes (show, hunter-jumper, pleasure, etc.), and never needs to advertise. "You don't need an ad if people know you put out a quality product," says Clancy. He does find the computer age helpful for tying into vet schools with questions. Clancy augments M&R Support Center Boston.

QM2 John Tracy of RU Base South Portland has helped rescue not one but two persons while working in his civilian job as a deckhand and captain for Casco Bay Lines in Portland, Maine. In 1992 he helped administer CPR to a heart attack victim. Two years later, with the assistance of another deckhand, he pulled in a man clinging to a line in icy waters, wrapped him in blankets, and obtained medical help.

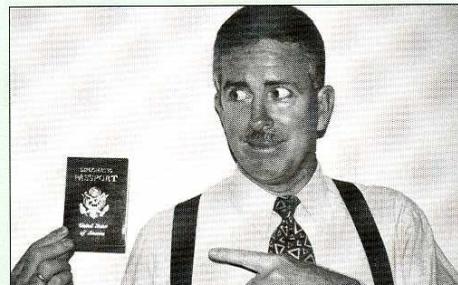
Here's a reservist/police officer story with a twist: the South Portland, Maine Police Department was the first department on the East Coast to adopt a public relations program called "Cop Collectables," which feature photos of police officers similar to baseball

cards. The officers come up with an anti-drug message and tell a little about themselves; the photos depict the officers at various locations around the city. South Portland kids are enthusiastically collecting and trading the cards, contributing to a positive image of police and a closer knit sense of community. One of the more popular cards? BM2—uh—Officer **Kevin J. Battle**. The card notes that Battle served in the Coast Guard and remains in the Reserve. He drills with RU South Portland. *Photo on cover, bottom, left.*

As a reservist, **YN2 Lori Weller** found her prior active duty experience to be an invaluable asset—but no more valuable, perhaps, than her experience as the mother of three. At a unit in flux that lost its station-keeper, Weller filled the job, bringing her son in with her during the month to prepare for drill weekends. As a mother she learned to be a patient teacher, which in turn has made her a yeoman who is compassionate toward the needs of unit members and can focus on priorities. A volunteer at an elementary school and currently an assistant office supervisor at RMSA Alameda, Weller says that what she most notices about herself is "I am not 'burnt-out.' I come to the reserve with vigor and the willingness to do more. Being a yeoman and homemaker enriches my life."

YNCS Jim Davidson, training officer for CGRU Upper Chesapeake Bay, Md., is the information resources manager for the State Department's new Arlington, Va. training center, the Foreign Service Institute (FSI). FSI trains 25,000 Foreign Service and Civil Service people annually, from stock clerks to ambassadors, and Davidson's job is to make information easier to obtain, both by State Department employees and other American citizens. Working with computers, the Internet, an automated library, and three multimedia learning centers, he promotes the use of technology in training, and occasionally travels to U.S. embassies to assess the needs

of the overseas Foreign Service community. After Davidson gets in his 20 "good" years in the Coast Guard Reserve, he plans to join the Foreign Service and do yet another 20 in remote tropical countries.



YNCS Jim Davidson

When **BM3 Ted Finley** isn't handling a 41-footer for Station Wilmette Harbor, Ill. he's piloting two 250-foot gaming vessels (not simultaneously, of course) for the Empress River Casino Corporation as a Licensed Mate. He compares his duties as mate to those of an XO — adherence to the Certificate of Inspection and C.F.R.s, and ensuring safety aboard the vessel. He most enjoys the piloting experience, however, working for "some of the finest river pilots and ocean masters in the country. My only problem has been remembering that when docking a 250-foot ship in a 35-mph beam wind, it's not going to handle quite like a 41 footer!"



BM3 Ted Finley

If there was ever a perfect match between the civilian world and the Coast Guard, the reservists augmenting the Governors Island Police Department (GIPD) fit the bill.

PSC Gary A. Foote leads the 18-member Reserve contingent of police or former police officers who augment the GIPD, which has been formally organized and recognized by the Commandant since 1992. Their duties run the gamut from traffic enforcement to initial response and investigation into crimes committed on Governors Island, the largest Coast Guard base. Foote, a Deputy Inspector with the NYPD and a precinct commander in Queens, says serving on GI is similar to policing a suburban town, a welcome change from the hustle and bustle of NYC.



PSC Gary Foote

LT Bob Ritchie, CO of CGRU Guam, serves as Controller and Chief Financial Officer of the Pohnpei Utilities Corporation. His contribution to the Reserve stems not so much from his civilian job skill as from his civilian job requirement that he live on Pohnpei, a small island that is part of the Federated States of Micronesia about 2,900 miles southwest of Honolulu. As the only Coast Guard officer for at least 1,000 miles, he serves as SAR Coordinator for all searches in and around Pohnpei involving the Coast Guard. First he coordinates initial search preparations, then he often hops in the copilot's seat of a civilian aircraft and flies on search missions. On drill weekends, he flies commercially 1,000 miles one way to stand duty at the rescue sub-center at the Marianas Section office, Guam.



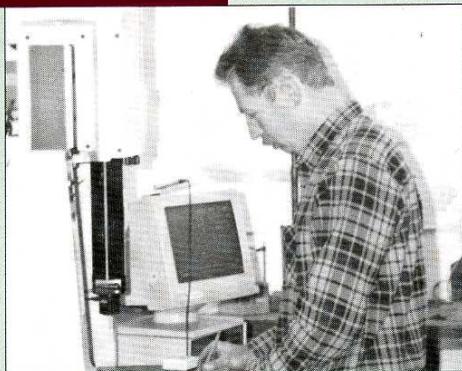
LCDR Stephen Jackson and family

Citizen-sailors are known for their willingness to take on extra responsibilities to serve their communities and nation. However, **LCDR Stephen Jackson** and his wife Regina took on more than most when they opened their hearts and home to four identical quadruplet infant girls last year. For the Jacksons, already the parents of two small boys, the adoption meant a larger house, larger van, and Regina quitting her teaching job. Despite

the demands his Reserve duties make on his time with his family, Jackson, an employee of the National Photographic Interpretation Center in Washington, D.C. and the CO of RU HQ (G-CAS), says, "I do it for my kids. Sometimes they complain when Daddy has drill weekends or goes away for ADT, but the look in the boys' eyes when we are in public and I'm in uniform tells me I'm doing the right thing."

PS2 Mark Razny of RU South Shore, Ill., has found his Coast Guard and civilian skills to be interchangeable. A police officer for the Forest Preserve District and a volunteer firefighter, Razny has served the Coast Guard as a firearms and CPR instructor and applied his EMT skills to SAR cases involving injuries. His police experience comes in handy as a boarding officer, as well. On the civilian side, both the fire department and the Forest Preserve District call upon Razny to handle assignments involving boats or to establish water rescue procedures because he's "in the Coast Guard." As a Sea-Keeper, Razny's additional Reserve duties teaching environmental protection complements his civilian job enforcing environmental protection laws in local nature and forest preserves.

LCDR Kevin Koob, XO of RU MSO Philadelphia, is an EPA On Scene Coordinator in Federal Region III, a career he credits to his Coast Guard active and Reserve experience as a fully qualified Marine Safety Officer. He has worked as OSC or Deputy OSC in a number of notorious OPA and Superfund sites, noting each time as a civilian the positive public reaction when a uniformed officer of the Coast Guard was part of the response team. He himself wore that uniform when drilling with RU Cape May, N.J. last year and a tank vessel began leaking crude oil. The Captain of the Port, Philadelphia personally requested Koob's attendance in inspecting the ship and directed he remain with the vessel, serving as COTP's OSC representative.



MK2 John Poker

MK2 John Poker is looking to get involved in the Coast Guard's TQM program, and he has the skills to contribute. With a degree in Quality Process Management, Poker works for Karak Machine Corp. in Wisconsin as its Quality Assurance Manager. Along with its sister company Scot Pump, Karak manufactures the USCG P-1 and P-5 pumps as well as pumps for the Navy, Army and civilian markets. Poker is assigned to RU Milwaukee/PSU 303.

CAPT Michael Perper holds a law degree. He works for the Department of Energy as Director of International Affairs, reporting directly to the Special Assistant to the Secretary and the Science and Technology Advisor on space exploration and energy related activities.

Who keeps the information flowing for employees of a company specializing in information flow? **YNC Harriet Thompkins**, that's who! Thompkins, a technical librarian, runs the Education and Information Resource Center at the AT&T facilities in Largo, Fla. Thompkins drills at RU Group St. Petersburg, Fla.



YNC Harriet Thompkins

An accountant with 15 years experience, **SK3 Nauri Ahmed** works as a Financial Management Analyst with the Virginia Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services in Richmond, Va. A drilling reservist at CNCWU 205-Harbor Defense Command in Norfolk, Ahmed is responsible for the logistical support of this deployable unit. He recently earned the Commandant's Letter of Commendation for his work in the Cape May comptroller's office where his financial analyses of exchange operations led to significant cost savings for the CG. See cover photo, top, left.



PS3/BM Solomon Monteverde

PS3/BM Solomon Monteverde of RU Guam, a Fire Specialist II and certified EMT with the Guam Fire Rescue Unit, has used his EMT skills as a crew member on the *CGC Galveston Island* during 400-500 mile cruises north of Guam. The Reserve has returned the favor to the rescue unit: Monteverde's coxswain qualification's earned on the RHI help him when working as a crew member in the Fire Department's sea rescue unit.

LCDR Bruce Mayes of RU D14, is a commercial airline pilot for Aloha Airlines. While sitting in his pilot seat he has assisted the Coast Guard by reporting oil spills and searching for vessels in distress. As a reservist he serves as a search and rescue coordinator in the District's joint rescue coordination center, where his knowledge of the area and familiarity with channels around

the various Hawaiian Islands has helped the Coast Guard in quickly finding victims in distress. Recently he worked on a case of a sinking tug which the Coast Guard had difficulty in locating. After leaving the District office, he changed from his Coast Guard uniform into his pilot's uniform, and shortly after departing Honolulu International Airport, spotted the oil slick from the tug, which he promptly reported.

The Coast Guard boasts an author in **LTJG Brian J. Whetstine**, a reservist who wrote *The Roger B.: The History of the USCGC Taney (WHEC-37)*, published by Taylor Publishing in December 1993. Whetstine spent two years researching the *Taney*, which until her decommissioning in 1986 was the last commissioned vessel present at Pearl Harbor. He is currently working on an article about a WWII convoy and is conducting preliminary research on the torpedoing of *Taney's* sister ship, *Alexander Hamilton*. When not writing Whetstine works as a political/military analyst for DoD, and augments the Intelligence Coordination Center at CGHQ during IDT. He's also a soccer referee.

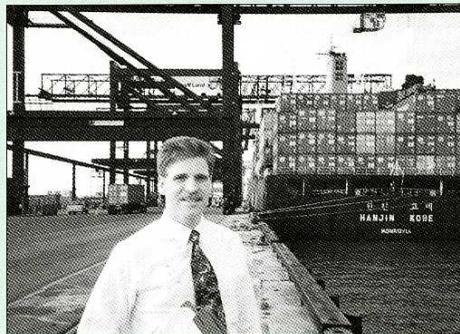


LTJG Brian Whetstine



SSC John-Pierre Baney

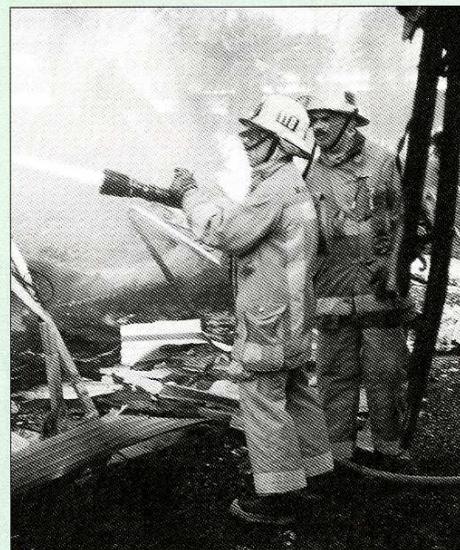
Like many others, **SSC John-Pierre Baney** found his civilian calling while on CG active duty, then remained in the Reserve to contribute his growing skills. Following active service as a subsistence specialist, Baney pursued a college degree in the art of fine cooking and worked as a chef in a variety of clubs, hotels and restaurants in Texas. Now a cook supervisor at the Texas Federal Correctional Institution in Seagoville, Texas, Baney helps to feed over 1000 inmates, earning many citations and awards. On weekend drills he can be found running the kitchen at Group Galveston, giving the assigned chief of food service operations a much deserved rest!



CDR Daniel Croce

CDR Daniel Croce, Commander of Reserve Group Sandy Hook, works as Intermodal Supervisor for Hanjin Shipping Co. in Port Elizabeth, N.J., handling container inland trucking operations in the Northeast. His 17 years of experience in the maritime industry has worked hand in hand with his Reserve career. While on ADT at MIO New York as a marine inspec-

tor and investigator, he discovered safety problems while inspecting container vessel cargo holds and double bottom tanks, and quickly obtained information needed to complete various marine investigation cases due to his knowledge of shipping company operations. His local port familiarity also enabled him to resolve problems and answer questions concerning harbor operations during two Operation Sails. As a civilian, he is often consulted by friends and associates in the maritime industry regarding Coast Guard issues, and is proud to represent the service.



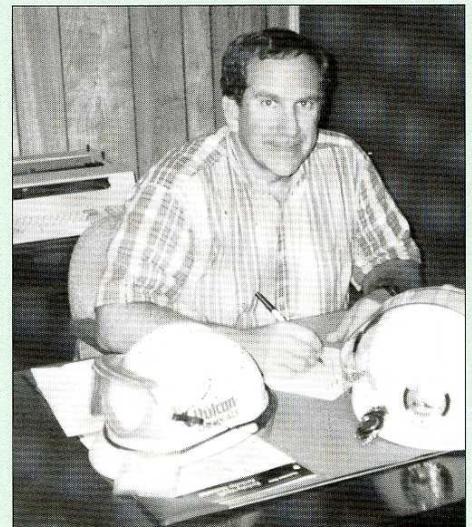
LTJG Rafael Ortiz

LTJG Rafael Ortiz works for the Los Angeles County Fire Department as a Fire Fighter/Paramedic assigned to Air Operations. As in the Coast Guard, Air Operations helicopters are multi-mission, handling cliff-type rescues in the forest, fire fighting, and urban search and rescue missions. In addition, they supplement USCG response over the ocean. When not in the air for L.A. County, Ortiz sharpens his seagoing skills as a reservist assigned to PAC Area Vessel Augmentation, *USCGC Chase*.

EM1 Andreas Apenburg holds journeyman electricians licenses in both Massachusetts and Connecticut, having served as an EM on

active duty and then as an apprentice for a small electrical contractor. Assigned to RU New Haven, Conn., Apenburg drills in the engineering support section on weekends. He has also performed ADT at ANT Long Island Sound, Group Long Island Sound and the Academy where he trains active personnel on the National Electrical Code and assists in EM shops. Most recently, Apenburg assisted EMs at the Academy with installing over 100 ceiling fans in classrooms throughout the campus.

PSC A. O. Parker, Jr. juggles three jobs in addition to his CG Reserve port security duties at RU Baton Rouge, La. Parker works as safety supervisor at Vulcan Chemicals, Geismar, La., where he's in charge of fire, safety, and security at a chlorosolvent manufacturing plant; Assistant Chief at St. George Fire Department, Baton Rouge, where in addition to firefighting duties he serves as environmental, safety, and health officer; and Assistant Chief of Gates at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, where he's in charge of the Ticket Takers for L.S.U. athletic events. "My Coast Guard training helps me do a better job in these jobs and my civilian jobs help me do a better job for the Coast Guard Reserve," he says.



PSC A. O. Parker



LCDR David Linth

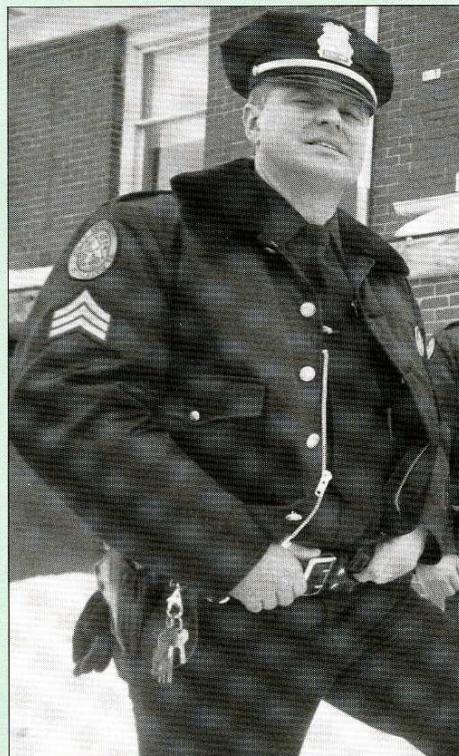
With fisheries enforcement a part of the Coast Guard mission, it's handy to have **LCDR David Linth** aboard as a reservist. A Fish & Wildlife Enforcement Officer for the State of Washington, Linth serves the Coast Guard as Reserve Fisheries Intelligence & Operations Liaison for D13 coordinating behind the scenes with various fish & wildlife officers and agencies. In his civilian capacity, he recently monitored a suspicious fishing vessel in which information supplied by his agency led to the multi-agency bust of a major cocaine smuggler.



PSC Peter Stinson (bottom, left)

If you run into a man living in a mountain cabin in Virginia's Shenandoah Valley, don't assume he couldn't be Coast Guard. **PSC Peter A. Stinson** finds his location conducive to his work as an independent writer specializing in training

development and grant writing, but makes the long trek to Portsmouth, Va. on Reserve weekends to serve as reserve supervisor for ANT Kennebec. He has also supervised augmentation of boat and port operations in Philadelphia and served as XPO at Station Plum Island, Wis. A former resident English teacher and lacrosse coach at a secondary boarding school, Stinson encouraged his students to write letters to CG Reservists during the conflict with Iraq as part of an English project.



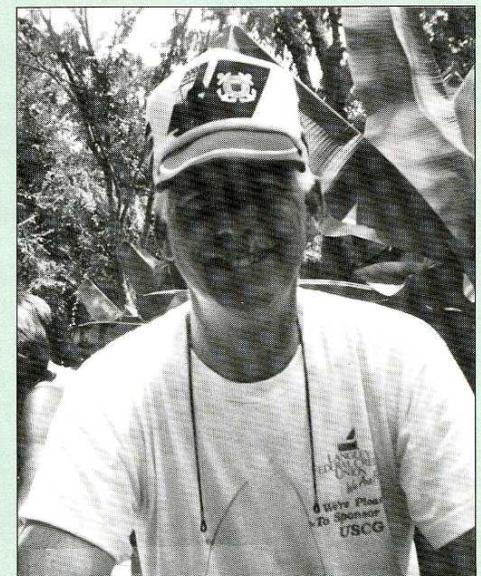
LCDR Joseph Keglovits

LCDR Joseph Keglovits is a 25-year veteran of the City of Bethlehem, Pa. Police Department. Currently a sergeant, Keglovits is intimately involved in community policing, the law enforcement strategy of the 90s aimed at bringing "the station to the people" and getting to the root cause of crime. "It's a great job, full of adventure and a large share of sadness," he says. In the Reserve, he heads the Group New York/COTP New York Port Intell Team, which works with local, state and federal law enforcement agencies preparing threat assessments for the local area. Among other

accomplishments his team worked security enforcement for the Haitian Peace Accords and staffed a desk at New York City's Crisis Action Center.

LT George Pazak, a marine safety trained officer and former active duty ET, is a Customer Service Engineer for the Medical Division of Hewlett Packard. Pazak is responsible for servicing, preventive maintenance, installing and instructing medical personnel on various HP medical equipment. The Illinois outstanding JO of the year in 1993, he drills at RU South Shore, Ill.

CDR Paul Kirkpatrick serves as a Flight Systems Safety Engineer for the NASA Payload Safety Engineering Branch at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida, ensuring that payloads meet the appropriate safety standards. "The best part of the job is dealing with all of NASA's customers and understanding the various payloads that are processed at the center. After all, without payloads there wouldn't be much reason to launch. Also, I indirectly support the Shuttle Office at CG Station Port Canaveral by providing them with the latest schedules and tracking down the latest information concerning an impending launch."



CDR Paul Kirkpatrick



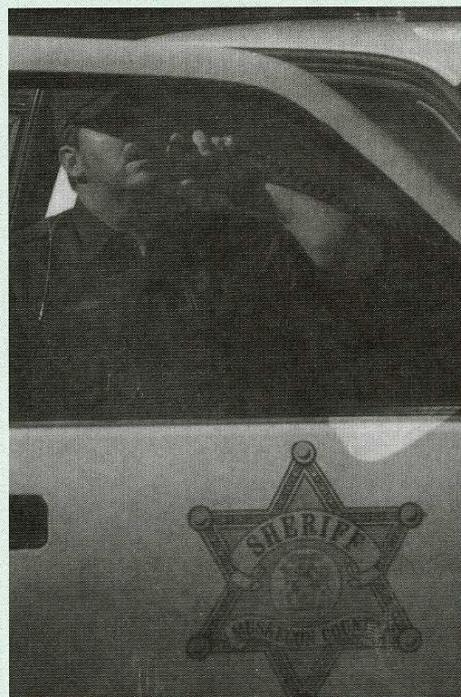
HSC Kenneth Schnetzler

HSC Kenneth Schnetzler became the first reservist at the SUPCEN N.Y. health clinic on Governors Island to qualify as a Senior Medical Petty Officer, responsible for the duty section. His life outside the Coast Guard has had some high moments as well: a nationally registered EMT and employee of the New York City Transit Police Rescue

Unit, Schnetzler has saved lives in N.Y.'s subways, delivered a baby, appeared on the TV show *COPS* last January, and was on the scene of the grounding of *The Golden Venture*, which made national headlines last summer in an aborted attempt to smuggle Chinese immigrants into N.Y.

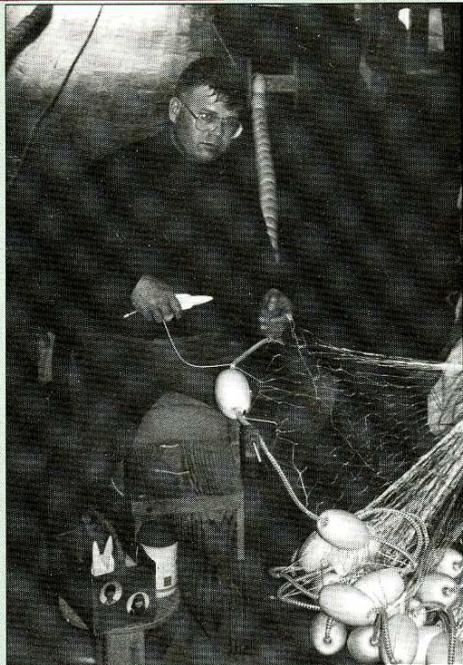
Although **CWO3 John Cox** finds ample opportunity to apply his civilian skills to his reserve duties, it was the Coast Guard that helped him find that civilian career. Cox credits his training on Coast Guard engines for his ability to find work as a locomotive engineer for the

Burlington Northern Railroad in Washington state. He returns the favor by serving as engineering team leader for Support Center Seattle, working jointly with the Naval Reserve to train personnel in engineering on board the *Fir*, a decommissioned USCG cutter.



DC3 Dave Davis

Left, CWO3 John Cox trains Naval Reserve personnel aboard the decommissioned CGC Fir.

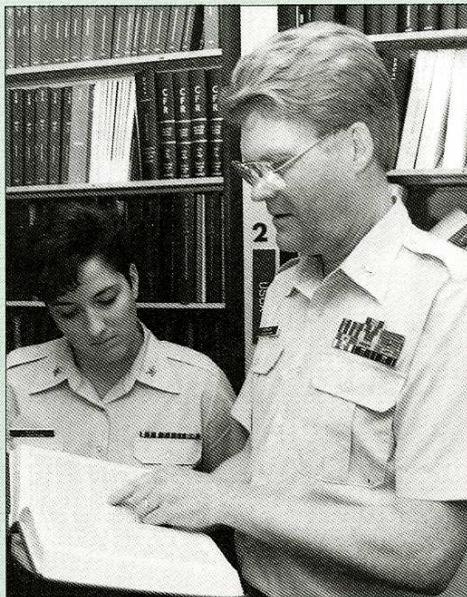


BM3 C. T. Seidl on the job as a net boss for Peter Pan Seafoods in Dillingham, Alaska. Seidl, who drills at RU Anchorage, also works as a locksmith and is a full-time university student.

When **PS2 Craig J. Smith** boards a vessel to inspect for compliance with U.S. laws, no one can double-talk him with legalese. Smith, a qualified watchstander and boarding officer at RU Shark River, N.J. has been a practicing attorney for 14 years and is a partner in Smith & Smith of Easton, Pa.

When **YNC Kelli Ann Neuharth** visits her son's classroom to discuss a career in the Coast Guard, she can see how thrilled he is to see his mom in uniform. An "at-home" mother with 20 years of combined active and reserve service, Neuharth has found time for 180 plus days of TEMAC in support of Desert Shield/Storm and another six months as assistant office supervisor at RMSA Alameda, where she currently drills. She was also heavily involved in the initial 1981 study at Alameda on the need for child care. Neuharth is involved in numerous community activities in Lodi, Calif.

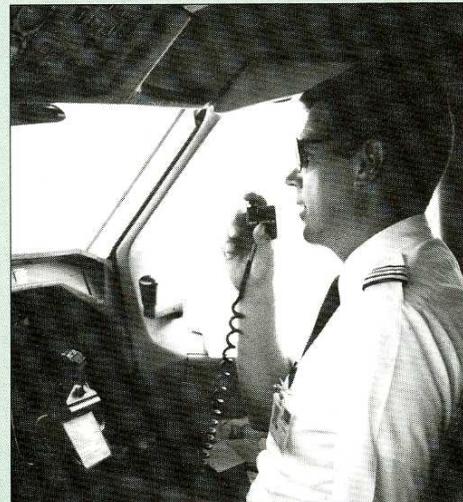
PSC Edwin Simmers may be known as "Chief" in the Coast Guard, but in Bellingham, Wash. they call him "Your honor." A court commissioner for the Whatcom County Superior Court, he presides over hearings involving involuntary commitments to mental hospitals, juvenile matters, and family law. He uses his legal training to help the Coast Guard by augmenting the D13 legal office, providing legal assistance to active and reserve Coast Guardsmen.



PSC Edwin Simmers

When on active duty as a Coast Guard pilot, **LCDR Paul Karna** found himself "stuck" in Haiti more than once during the ousting of "Baby Doc" Duvalier. Now a commercial pilot and the XO of a Miami reserve unit, he stays involved. Until June 23, the penultimate day before the suspension of commercial air traffic to Haiti, he flew humanitarian supplies and passengers to Haiti for American Airlines. During those flights, he says, "I was proud to be able to help Coast Guard aircraft fly low level patrols off the coast of Haiti by relaying Air Traffic Control clearances, weather information, and operational messages. When I'm at 35,000 feet, I can "paint" a 240 NM weather radar picture, and communicate with several controlling agencies which the low level patrol aircraft cannot do. This

radio relay can save precious time and fuel for Coast Guard aircraft on long patrols."

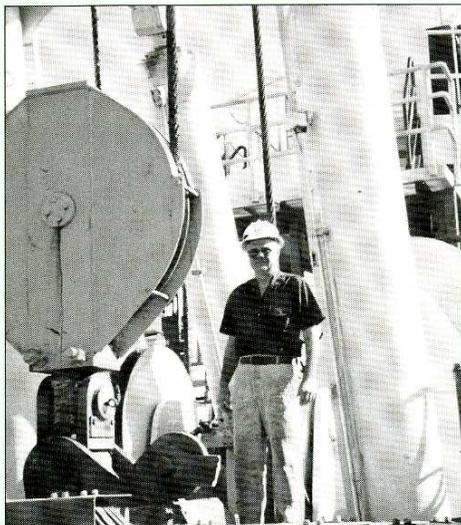


LCDR Paul Karna

PSCS J.R. Stafford, Deputy Fire Marshall for the Mountain View Fire Department near San Francisco, has used his law enforcement skills as a Pollution Investigator for MSO Valdez and his fire experience to investigate shipboard fires for MSO San Francisco. He's also an outstanding representative for the Coast Guard in public, having taught fire incident workshops with other Coast Guard Reservists at a community college, and introducing fire safety techniques to children in Mountain View.



PSCS J. R. Stafford

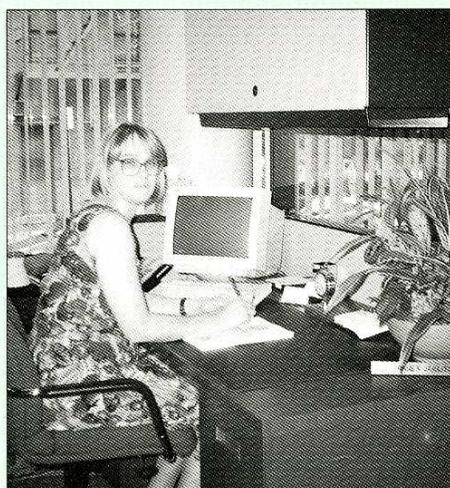


BM1 Arthur Stoll

BM1 Arthur Stoll is a boatswain twice over, once for the CGR augmenting Station Umpqua River, Winchester Bay, Ore. and again for the Army Corps of Engineers, Portland, Ore. District. Working on board a 350-foot ocean going Hopper Dredge, Stoll is responsible for watch lists and deck maintenance as well as small boat operations. He also operates a charter out of Depoe Bay, Ore. Stoll credits his CG training for an incident in which he rescued an Army Corps crewmember who fell into the ship's hopper and remained submerged for 20 minutes. While on ADT he also administered first aid to a victim of multiple stab wounds until the station's EMT team arrived.

LT Richard LeSage's experience as a geodesist for the Defense Mapping Agency (DMA) enabled him, on his own initiative, to identify over 11,000 miles of navigable rivers and waterways with latitude and longitude coordinates, earning him a Coast Guard Commendation Medal. LeSage began the project on two weeks ADT at MSO St. Louis. "I was working on a job involving a barge that hit a bridge, and I couldn't get a position for the accident." So he called DMA, and used their automated digitalization equipment and worked also with the Army Corps of Engineers. His database will be used by numerous government agencies in the future.

BM1 Paula F. Jaklitsch has been working for Chemical Bank for 16 years and is currently Assistant Vice President and Sales Manager at an Upper East Side Manhattan branch. She entered the CG Reserve as an SK3 but seriously thought about getting out until Opsail '86 in New York City. With a taste of the operational Coast Guard, she lateraled from SK to BM. Now she especially enjoys Monday mornings after drill weekend when her staff asks her how the weekend was. "How many people do you know that can say they saved a life, or put out a fire, or rescued a whale, or felt that adrenaline rush when the SAR alarm goes off in the middle of the night?" asks Jaklitsch. Her husband is an active duty BM1; the race is on to see which BM1 Jaklitsch will make BMC first.

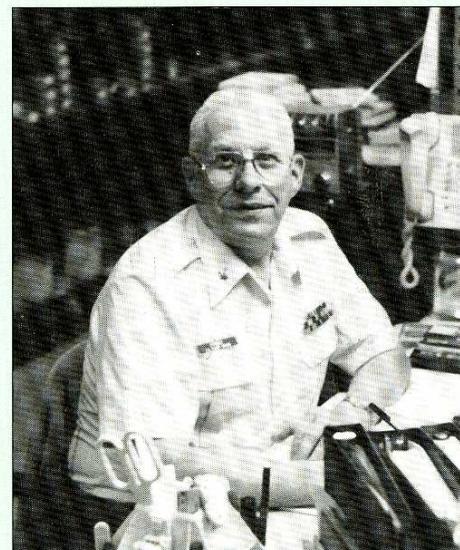


BM1 Paula Jaklitsch

While training in fire suppression and protection at Port Security "A" school as a reservist, **PS2 Rocque Yballa** decided to make fire service his civilian career. Obtaining his B.S. in Fire Protection Administration and Technology and (and using his G.I. benefits along the way), Yballa now works for the Office of State Fire Marshal in California where he writes and reviews all regulations intended to promote fire, life, and panic safety. Yballa says his understanding of fire behavior and control has been invaluable to him as a marine investigator for MSO San Francisco.

When the Army solicited personnel from the other services to help produce, market and distribute World War II Commemorative Public Service Announcements, the Coast Guard had just the reservist for the job. **LTJG John Garofolo**, a former Vice President of Advertising, Promotion and Publicity at Twentieth Century Fox Television, has 13 years experience in the entertainment industry in various executive positions. He has written and produced a number of video projects for the Coast Guard, including videos on the CG's role in the Gulf War, the America's Cup, and the SPAR's 50th Anniversary. Currently on extended active duty detailed to the Army, Garofolo recently produced a video narrated by Walter Cronkite highlighting the Coast Guard's role on D-Day.

Next time you see an engraved recognition award for someone think of **YN2 Ron Penney**, a face behind the scene. Penney works for the Robbins Company of Attleboro, Mass., a leader in the recognition industry whose customers include the Army & Air Force exchange systems. Penney, an engraving shift supervisor for Robbins and a yeoman at RU Station Woods Hole, Mass., says his technical training together with the discipline and leadership skills he learned in the Coast Guard have helped him in his civilian career.



YN2 Ron Penney

When the Coast Guard needs to park an aircraft at Miami International Airport (MIA), they've got a man on the inside to clear the way. **CWO3 Don Boyd** is one of three Airfield Operations Supervisors in the 125-employee Airside Operations division at MIA and is directly responsible for the Aircraft Gate Control section which plans and controls all aircraft gate assignments and remote aircraft parking positions. Boyd has made numerous arrangements over the years for Coast Guard aircraft to use preferential parking areas and has provided van and bus transportation for the crews and passengers. Most of these aircraft have been C130H flights arriving from Guantanamo NAS, Cuba, but he has also handled VIP missions using Falcon and HH65 flights from CG Air Station Miami as well as countless military flights for the U. S. Air Force and U.S. Navy and their reserve components. After four years active CG service, Boyd began drilling as a reservist in 1972, and is currently attached to RU D7(a).



CWO3 Don Boyd

CDR Roy Wedlund has on more than one occasion begun his day in police uniform only to finish it in Coast Guard blues. For example, when the Queen of England arrived in Seattle to visit, he handled police security at Center Park, then

reported to the waterfront in his CG uniform to provide a Coast Guard escort for the Queen as she crossed to Canada. The Commander of Juvenile Services for the Seattle Police Dept., Wedlund has served as the Coast Guard's project coordinator for many special events necessitating security, and is the USCG patrol commander for "Seafair," a major local marine festival.



CDR Roy Wedlund

For many of us the letters "IRS" inspire nervousness, but for **CDR Sharon J. Armstrong** they simply signify her civilian employer. An IRS Project Manager, Armstrong has been on detail for the past several months working with the Treasury Department's Reinvention Team to implement the recommendations of Vice President Gore's National Performance Review. A former SK1 and the Coast Guard's highest ranking Asian-Pacific female officer, Armstrong serves as Commander, RESGP Headquarters.

An engineer and mathematician for DoD, **CDR Peter Olsen** was called in by the Coast Guard during the *Exxon Valdez* spill to develop a mathematical model measuring the amount of work needed to meet the President's clean-up goals. The model was used throughout the summer of 1989 to report progress to the Commandant, the Congress

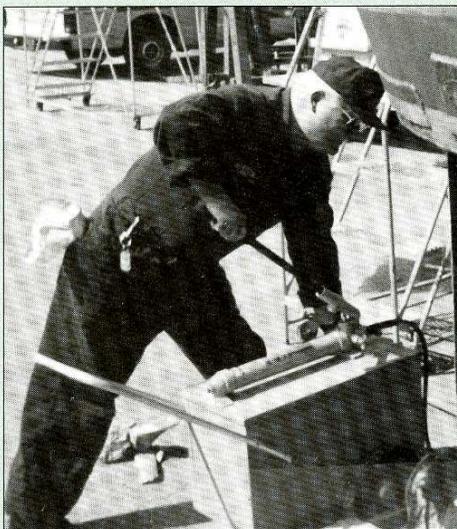
and the White House. Olsen also earned a CG Commendation Medal for his work on a 1992 DOT study on reducing terrorism on the airlines, an effort for which his technical skills were invaluable. Currently the TQM Coordinator at RESGP Baltimore, Md., Olsen has used his skills to study TQM data, analyze the relocation of an active unit, evaluate exercises, and work on other projects requiring measurement and modeling.

LCDR Robert Ludwick's position as tactical operations officer aboard the Honolulu Fire Boat, *Moku Ahi*, combined with his CG Reserve experience recently led to his representation of the Coast Guard in a U.S. Department of State-managed, U.S. Department of Interior-funded training mission throughout Micronesia. He developed the curriculum for a unique program leading to the training of over 300 merchant mariners in shipboard fire fighting, and over 100 emergency response personnel in contingency planning and HAZMAT response. In Honolulu, where he holds the rank of captain with the Fire Department, he has been called up numerous times by the Captain of the Port to assist with shipboard fires.

After serving the Coast Guard Reserve for nearly 20 years **LCDR James A. Noonan** finally found a way to apply his civilian expertise to directly support the Coast Guard. A vice president and senior financial consultant for Merrill Lynch, Noonan is also an adjunct faculty member teaching economics and finance for the University of New Haven Graduate MBA program. As a reservist, he recently obtained a non-pay IDT assignment as an instructor in consumer economics at the Coast Guard Academy, a credit course that has been well-received by students and faculty. Noonan will teach the second edition of the course this fall.



DCCS Jeff Miller



BM2 Jake Lincoln

If you try to mess with Coast Guard boarding officer **PS1 Thomas E. Dye** of RU Group Astoria, Ore. you are literally messing with the sheriff. Elected to the position by the citizens of Tillamook County, Ore., Sheriff Dye has greatly enhanced patrol coordination between the Sheriff's Office and the Coast Guard station at Tillamook, which have many overlapping responsibilities for the numerous bays and waterways in the county. The work gets done with much less red tape for both agencies; at times you can even find civilian deputies and Coasties working side-by-side on the same boat!

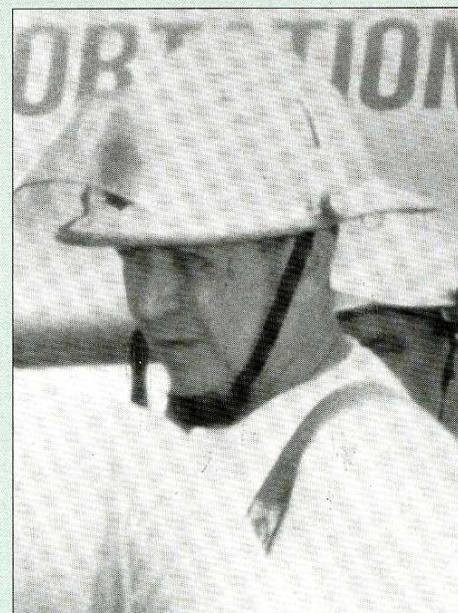
The reservists who augment the Boat Maintenance Facility at Group Cape May, N.J. face a daunting variety of tasks waiting for them on any given weekend, but they have a versatility and skill level equal to the task. Whether it be repairs to the cutters homeported in Cape May or work on a UTB in need of maintenance, the reservists are "Semper Paratus." **DCCS Jeff Miller**, the team leader, is a ship's carpenter, well-versed in fiberglass and structural repair. **MK1 Ralph Maddocks** is a reliability engineer for General Motors in Delaware. **MK2 Carl Newton** owns a refrigeration and air conditioning business in Cape May, which he began after 10 years active duty, and **BM2 Jake Lincoln** works in maintenance for the state highway department. And then there's the academically inclined member of the crew who will still get dirty with the rest — **MK2 Charles Miller**, a senior in applied sciences at the University of Delaware.

CWO3 Lavonia Bass has created a remarkable fit between her civilian and reserve lives. A permanent part-time federal employee (three days a week), she works as a main frame computer programmer for the Defense Finance & Accounting Service, managing programs that run payrolls for DoD active military members. As a CG Reservist, she performs her IDT, ADT and two days a week SADT as supervisor of D9's PSU Support Facility, where she is responsible for procurement, storage, issuance, and maintenance of the \$8M inventory of deployable PSU equipment, a job her computer programming experience enables her to perform efficiently. Bass has been involved with PSU logistics since the inception of the program; she was mobilized during Operation Desert Shield/Storm to provide full-time logistics support, earning a CG Achievement Medal. See cover photo, lower, right.



MK2 Carl Newton

Philadelphia Fire Department Battalion Chief and HAZMAT Response Incident Commander **William Doty** has found numerous ways to apply his civilian experience to the Coast Guard. A LCDR augmenting at MSO/Group Philadelphia, Doty has fought several barge and ship fires on the Delaware River, coordinated a drill to determine if the Cape May/Lewes Ferry could be used as a fire fighting platform, and acted as OIC during the OPA 90 spill response exercise in Salem, N.J. Doty is currently revising the Captain of the Port Fire Fighting Contingency Plan.



LCDR William Doty

For one reservist, life as a mounted police in New York City and PS3 on Governor's Island isn't exciting enough. **Joe Pentangelo** has a third career as an actor, usually playing a cop, and has appeared in such films as *Crocodile Dundee*, *Quick Change*, and *She-Devil*. He can currently be seen in *The Paper* and *Saint of Fort Washington*. TV credits include *A Current Affair* and a Tracy Ullman HBO special. Pentangelo competes hard for his roles against other professional actors; his edge is knowing what life is really like on the streets. One day he hopes to use his Coast Guard experience in films, as well.

When **MKI Greg Ressio** finished his MK "A" school and IADT training as an RP working primarily on Cummins engines, he knew where to apply for work: Cummins West, Inc, of Northern California. Completion of his 16 week "A" school fulfilled a four-year apprentice school requirement at Cummins and earned him the title of "marine engine specialist." Since then his civilian and CG careers have continued to grow together. In 1986 he was picked to augment *USCGC Point Meyer*, which was powered, of course, by two Cummins diesels, and later *CGC Cape Romain*. Ressio earned the CG Achievement Medal for his work on the repair of a major casualty to another WPB's main engine, allowing the WPB to continue emergency ops following an earthquake.

The whole reserve augmentation crew, in fact, adds special expertise to *CGC Cape Romain*. **LT Jack Laufer** works for Matson Shipping Lines; **QMI Rick Scripture** is a land surveyor; **SSI Tom Spivey** works for U.C. Berkeley as a food director, and **SN Chris Aicega** is an EMT for King Ambulance Service. The boatswain's mate, **BM2 Mike Algier** is an accountant for Chevron Refinery. The job is "not too related," Ressio admits, but Algier "is one heck of an organized boatswain."

YNC Kathy Edley's civilian job working with D9's Auxiliary program first drew her attention to the CGR. At a friend's urging she entered as a YN3 under the Direct Petty Officer program and credits her knowledge of boating terminology and procedures for giving her a leg up on her climb to E-7. Now employed with the D9 Reserve Division, Edley finds herself unusually well-rounded and knowledgeable about many aspects of the Reserve Program. A drilling reservist with RU Cleveland, she worked for the D9 legal staff during Desert Shield/Storm to assist RU members with legal matters related to deployment, and she is currently on the Enlisted Recruit Training Advisory Committee (ERTAC) staff



YNC Kathy Edley

to devise/implement CG recruit training procedures. On her own time Edley is pursuing an Associate degree in paralegal studies.

Knowing that **PS2 Robert T. Morton** of the Bridgeport, Conn. Fire Department was a Coast Guardsman, his boss inquired if there was anything the CG could do to help properly train the fire rescue unit in using its Zodiac for water operations. Morton, who drills at RU COTP Long Island Sound, called Station New Haven and arranged for training for both the Bridgeport and Stratford Fire Depts. Morton is a lieutenant at the busiest Engine Company in Bridgeport, Number 10, handling over 2200 calls annually.

YN3 Toni Davis, Station keeper and newsletter editor at RU Saginaw, Mich., joined the Coast Guard in 1988. In her civilian life she is employed as a driver for Mallinckrodt Medical Diagnostic Imaging Inc. and lives in Saginaw with her three cats. Her "other part-time job" is managing and performing with a five-piece string ensemble (she plays the violin). She was recently selected as RU Saginaw's Petty Officer of the Year.



The Louisville, Ky. area World War II Coast Guard Committee dedicated two bronze plaques aboard the old Coast Guard Inland Lifesaving Station last fall. The plaques commemorate both the continuous operation of the Coast Guard station from 1880 to 1972 and, as depicted here, the efforts of "citizen-reservists" in Louisville during WW II.

Photo by LCDR Charles Polk, Reserve Group Ohio Valley

U.S. Sea Fencibles

“Guardians of Coast” defended Fort McHenry

By Vincent Vaise

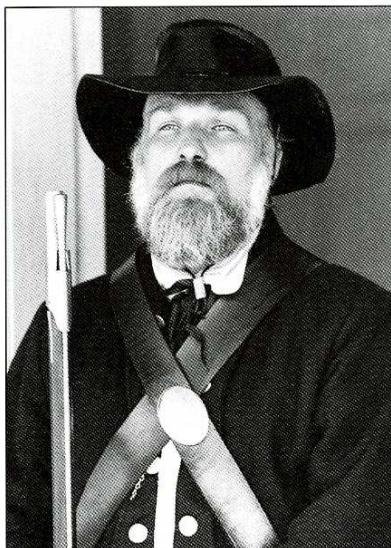
FORT McHENRY NATIONAL MONUMENT & SHRINE

When one thinks about the heroic defense of Fort McHenry near Baltimore, vivid images of the American flag, Francis Scott Key and the British fleet come to mind. Among the defenders of Fort McHenry were the regular army garrison and detachments of the First Regiment of Maryland Militia Volunteer Artillery which included three companies of citizen-soldiers. These men represented some of Baltimore's most prominent merchants and investors, defending their businesses, homes and families.

Also among the defenders was a unique unit called the United States Sea Fencibles. The term “sea fencible” was, in fact, an imitation of the maritime divisions called “garte cotes” (coast guard) in France.

The War of 1812 was declared on June 18 amid cries of “Free trade and sailor's rights.” As the conflict progressed however, England's naval superiority of 10-to-1 began to make itself known. By the second summer of the war, the white sails of the Royal Navy could be seen in the Chesapeake and Delaware Bays. America's Atlantic seaboard was open to invasion.

In order to defend strategic locations along the shore, Congress passed “An Act to authorize the raising [of] a corps of sea fencibles...not to exceed one year, and not to exceed 10 companies who may be employed



Sea Fencible Ray Warren is a living historian volunteer at Fort McHenry.

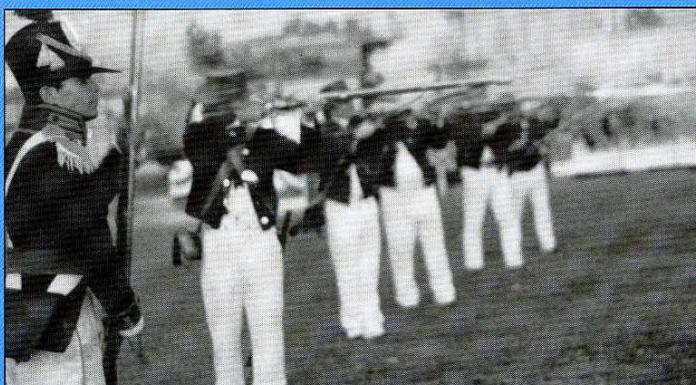
for the defense of ports and harbors of the United States.”

While stationed on land, many of the Sea Fencibles had a thorough knowledge of sailing and artillery. This unit was comprised of an all volunteer force. The bulk of the men were recruited from the wharves of America's coastal cities which they would later defend. The War Department sent two companies of about 107 men each to Fort McHenry in February 1814.

The Sea Fencibles were considered part of the regular army garrison of the Star Fort and performed a variety of tasks. Duties comprised of “rowing” guard in the channel, musket drill, sentinel duty, and manning the heavy artillery along the shore. These large cannons, mounted on naval gun carriages, comprised the heaviest armament of the fort.

During the battle, the British repeatedly attempted to break through the outer harbor defenses but were unsuccessful. Not willing to maintain an artillery duel against Fort McHenry, they sailed out of cannon range and bombed the fort with large mortars. Most of the bombs failed to reach their target and damage to the fort was negligible. After 25 hours, the British fleet sailed away, unwilling to engage the shore batteries manned by the Sea Fencibles. It was because of the heroic efforts of these guardians of the coast that the Star-Spangled Banner could be seen by the dawn's early light.

Photos courtesy of Fort McHenry National Monument & Shrine



Fort McHenry's Guard volley fire during annual Defender's Day held each September.

Defender's Day at Fort McHenry

Defender's Day is an annual program commemorating the bombardment of Fort McHenry, the writing of “The Star-Spangled Banner” and the American victory over the British in the Battle of Baltimore. Sponsored by the National Park Service, the Society of the War of 1812 in Maryland, and the City of Baltimore, this year's celebration is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 11 at 6:30 p.m. For more info. contact: Superintendent, Fort McHenry National Monument & Historic Shrine, Baltimore, MD 21230-5393 or call (410) 962-4290.

Francis Scott Key, writer of our National Anthem, served briefly as a citizen-soldier. See back cover.

A citizen-sailor's supreme sacrifice

By **CWO4 Theodore S. Golda**

RETIRED CG RESERVIST AND BORDER PATROL AGENT

Coast Guard Reservist Anthony Leo Oneto made the supreme sacrifice while serving in his civilian position with the Border Patrol in California in 1947.

Oneto began service with the U.S. Border Patrol in October 1940. However, with the onset of WWII, he was commissioned an ensign in the Coast Guard Reserve, serving as Salvage Officer aboard the *USS Cavalier* in the Pacific. He participated in landings at Tinian, Luzon and Leyte. He was awarded the Silver Star Medal for "distinguishing himself by conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity" in action against enemy Japanese forces during the assault landings at Luzon.

At war's end, Oneto returned to duty as a Patrol Inspector (now called Border Patrol Agents) at Indio, Calif. On the night of March 11, 1947, while conducting routine traffic checks, Oneto and fellow Patrol Inspector John L. Fouquette arrested Carlos Ochoa Romero for attempting to smuggle four illegal aliens. The aliens were placed in the back seat of the government car and Ochoa was instructed to drive his car to the Border Patrol Office. After a short time, Ochoa stopped his car which was being followed by the government car, walked back, said something about his car stalling, pulled a .32 calibre pistol from his pocket and began firing at the officers.

Oneto, then 30, was struck four times in the head and died instantly. Fouquette was wounded but returned the fire, wounding Ochoa who escaped in the



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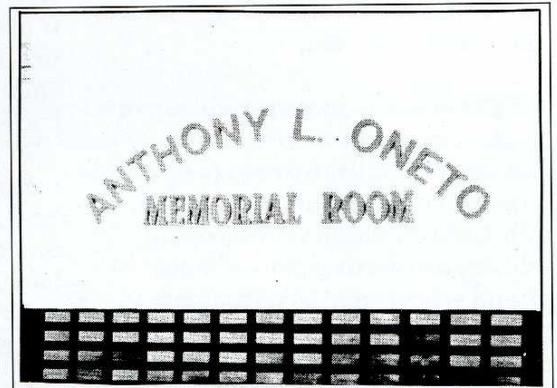
LTJG Anthony L. Oneto, USCGR

darkness. Fouquette retained custody of the smuggled aliens until help arrived. Ochoa was quickly apprehended and subsequently convicted of murdering a Federal officer. He was executed in California in 1948.

On Feb. 3, 1994, the U.S. Border Patrol Museum & Memorial Library was dedicated in El Paso, Texas. It contains an Anthony L. Oneto Memorial Room as a tribute to his service as a citizen-sailor. The Anthony L. Oneto American Legion Post 812 in Los Angeles helped Oneto's widow, Helen, finance the education of the Oneto's two children, Richard and Virginia.



Photos courtesy of Border Patrol Museum & Memorial Library



Above: The Tony L. Oneto Memorial Room is an attractive addition to the Border Patrol Museum in El Paso, Texas.

Left: Some crewmembers of the USS Cavalier. Oneto is at far left, bottom row.

Reserving your job rights

By Marc A. Raimondi

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When 1st Lt. Phillip Selleh was called to active duty with the 20th Special Forces Group during Operation Desert Shield, the last thing he thought he would be fighting for was his job when he returned home. But instead of a yellow ribbon waiting for him, the Maryland National Guardsman came home to a pink slip.

Selleh is not alone when it comes to conflicts between employers and reserve component soldiers, said an official with the National Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve. In 1992, more than 4,200 disputes were reported by soldiers.

Fortunately, Congress has enacted laws to protect members of the military, said Col. Nick Dawson, national ombudsman for NCESGR. "You cannot be terminated because of any obligations or commitment you have as a member of the reserve component," he said.

This law is increasingly important as the Guard and Reserve are called upon to play a larger role in the nation's defense, said Dawson. Reserve component soldiers are getting more chances to attend schools and to participate in missions beyond the two-week annual training requirement.

That helps increase the quality and mission readiness of the reserve forces, but can cause conflict between soldiers and their employers. "Most conflicts between employer and soldier are due to a simple lack of communication or a misunderstanding of the law," Dawson said.

Selleh's termination resulted from his employer's ignorance of the law. At the time, Selleh himself was also unaware of the protections offered under Title 38 of the U.S. Code.

**"Most conflicts
between employer
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According to NCESGR officials, one of the provisions of the law is that an employer must re-employ Guard and Reserve members upon return from military duty. It also states that employers cannot fire, demote, or deny promotions to employees who take part in military training or operations.

Within a matter of days after contacting Maryland National Guard ESGR Ombudsman Fred C. Samuelson, Selleh was given his job back.

The ESGR program comprises more than 4,200 volunteers in all 50 states and five territories of the United States, said Col. Audrey Wilczek, staff director of NCESGR. Of these volunteers, 200 serve as ombudsmen or mediators.

Each state has an ESGR committee, state chair and volunteers. Volunteers are typically drawn from the business community and are

given responsibility for local Reserve and Guard units.

State ESGR positions are unpaid, and ombudsmen mediating a dispute have no legal authority. When a problem persists, the ESGR representative turns the case over to the Department of Labor or, for federal employees, to the Office of Personnel Management, which do have legal authority. But most issues are resolved at the ombudsman level.

"Very few of the cases which are brought to the attention of our ombudsmen actually go any further," said Sgt. Maj. Carroll Cilento of the Maryland National Guard ESGR Program. "Of the 76 inquiries we had in 1993, less than 10 percent were sent to the Department of Labor."

Of those cases, only a fraction were forwarded to the Department of Justice for possible litigation, said Eric Rudert, chief of the veterans re-employment rights division at the Labor Department.

Mississippi ESGR volunteers have interests in both the reserve component and the business community, said E. H. Pleasant, the state ombudsman. "We have 52 business leaders in our ESGR committee and many are former reservists."

Mediating disputes has proven very effective. "Since January 1993 we have had over 50 inquiries and resolved every one of them to the satisfaction of both employer and soldier," said Pleasant.

However, maintaining a strong relationship requires year-round work. "We build positive relationships between employers and sol-

diers throughout the year by organizing 'bosslifts' — which bring employers to the soldiers' workplace for a first-hand look at his or her military job — luncheons, award ceremonies, meetings and workshops."

However, good relations require mutual understanding, Dawson said. "Title 38 is very pro-military, but there are cases where soldiers overdo it by taking more time off than is necessary for mission readiness or professional development," he said. "We're here to generate employer support, not to bash employers with the law. We help employers learn to live with it, but soldiers must not abuse the protection."

*Editor's note: Reservists have re-employment rights even if they accept **voluntary** orders. There is no distinction for purposes of Title 38 between voluntary and involuntary recall.*

CGRUs participate in R.I. Employer Appreciation Day

By Peter Martin, NCESGR

Reservists from several CGRUs and two Auxiliary vessels participated in Rhode Island's Employer Appreciation Day May 14, sponsored by the Rhode Island Committee for Employers Support of the Guard and Reserve.

Under the coordination of LT Robert Perfetto, a Reserve watchstander at Group Woods Hole, Mass., reservists provided static displays about Coast Guard programs and demonstrated SAR and maritime law enforcement on Narragansett Bay.

Employers got a taste of real life when they had to transfer vessels after Reserve boats were chopped to a boat fire. Over 80 employers also fired the .45 pistol under the guidance of PS1 Mario Tomellini, MK3 David Buiniskas and PS3 Jeff Chapman. Members of RU Point Judith, R.I., RU Castle Hill, R.I. and RU COTP Providence, R.I. contributed to the joint CGR / Auxiliary effort to honor and educate local employers.

Reservist's employer wins ESGR Award

HS1 Douglas Wetzstein, RU St. Paul, Minn. and his civilian supervisor Douglas Day of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency were honored recently at an Employer Support for the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) Awards Banquet.

Wetzstein's nomination of his supervisor for an award was one of six selected for the "State Chairman's Award" from over 400 nominations submitted to the ESGR National Committee by Minnesota Guard and Reserve members last year. Day was recognized by the Minnesota Committee of the ESGR for being very accommodating of Wetzstein's call to duty on short notice in response to last summer's flooding in the Midwest. This was the first time in 10 years that a

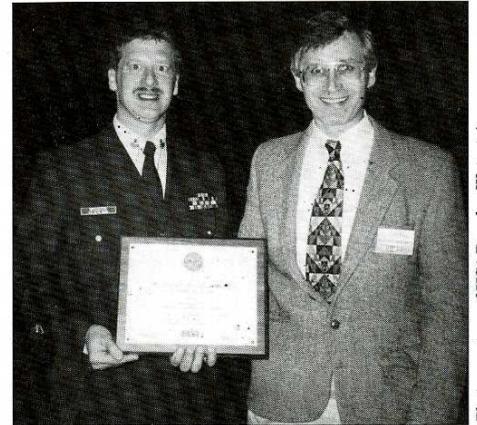


Photo courtesy of HSI Douglas Wetzstein

HSI Douglas Wetzstein and supervisor Douglas Day accept the State Chairman's Award at a recent ESGR Banquet.

Coast Guard Reserve member's employer or supervisor was the recipient of this award.

Good Relations

Here's a list of ways to help foster good relations between reservists and their employers.

- Keep your employer informed about drill dates and let him know as far in advance as possible when training is scheduled.
- Tell your employer about the productive things you accomplish while in uniform. Don't give the impression that your military duty was just a vacation away from work.
- Thank your employer in writing once a year for his cooperation and understanding of your military obligations.
- Enter your boss in an employer award program. Your chain of command can provide the details.
- Let your employer see what you do while serving. Invite employers to be members of the Guard or Reserve for a day. Ask your chain of command about "Bosslift" programs.
- If you run into employer problems, try to resolve them by personal contact. If that doesn't work, use your chain of command to defuse the situation. If this still proves unsuccessful, contact the National Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve:

Write: NCESGR
1555 Wilson Boulevard
Suite 200
Arlington, VA 22209-2405

Phone: (800) 336-4590
(703) 696-1400
DSN 226-1400

FAX: (703) 696-1411

CGR Ready Reserve Breakdown by Occupation*

<u>Occup. Code</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Tally</u>	<u>Occup. Code</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Tally</u>
01	Engineer/Architect	215	51	Ore Refining & Foundry	7
02	Math/Physical Sciences	151	52	Food Processing	15
03	Computer Info. Systems Mfg.	9	53	Paper Processing	5
04	Life Sciences	64	54	Petroleum/Gas Products	6
05	Social Sciences	26	55	Chemicals & Plastics	26
06	Nurses	9	56	Wood Processing	2
07	Medicine/EMT/Health Services	152	57	Stone/Clay/Glass Worker	2
09	Education/Teacher/Professor	311	58	Leather, Textiles	4
10	Museum Librarian	19	59	Processing Occupation	6
11	Lawyer/Attorney At Law	109	60	Metal Machining	83
12	Religion/Pastor/Theologian	8	61	Airplane/Jet Manufacturer	22
13	Journalist/Writer	21	62	Mechanic	235
14	Artist	39	63	Machinery Repair	132
15	Entertainer/Musician	31	64	Paperworking	1
16	Administrative Assistant	629	65	Printing	9
18	Government Official	677	66	Wood Machining	16
19	Human Resources Manager	241	67	Stone & Glass Machining	1
20	Steno/Typing/Filing	208	68	Textiles Manufacturing	13
21	Accountant	208	69	Machine Trades/Mfg. Mgr.	8
22	Production/Stock Clerk	90	70	Metal Fabrication	12
23	Computer Info. Systems Manager	121	71	Scientific/Medical Manufacturing	31
24	Clerical Worker	118	72	Appliance Assembly & Repair	56
25	Sales/Services	114	73	Fabrication/Repair	13
26	Sales/Consumables	42	74	Paint/Decorator/Design	3
27	Sales/Realtor	93	75	Plastics/Rubber/Synthetics	2
28	Sales/Insurance	12	76	Wood Fabrication	7
29	Sales/General	63	77	Stone/Clay/Glass Fabrication	3
30	Domestic Services	11	78	Leather/Textiles Fabrication	10
31	Food & Beverage Services	69	79	Benchwork Occupations	1
32	Lodging & Related Services	10	80	Metal Fabrication	59
33	Barber or Cosmetologist	10	81	Welder	28
34	Amusement & Recreation	5	82	Electrician	329
35	Misc. Personal Services	36	84	Paint/Plaster/Cement	19
36	Apparel/Furnishings Services	17	85	Excavating/Landscaping	11
37	Police/Firefighters	1,784	86	Construction	156
38	Building Services	21	89	Structural Worker	45
40	Agriculture/Farming	22	90	Motor Freight/Shipping	89
41	Animal Farming	3	91	Transportation	102
42	Agriculture	6	92	Pack/Material Handling	79
43	Merchant Marine/Sailor	2	93	Mineral Extraction	8
44	Fishermen	11	95	Public Utilities	79
45	Forestry Occupations	8	96	TV/Newspaper/Radio	9
46	Hunting & Trapping	1	97	Graphic Artist	18
50	Metal Processing	5	99	Student	2,407

* While not inclusive of all Ready Reservists because many IRR members have never supplied occupational data, this information is intended to give the reader an idea of the diversity of skills reservists bring to the Coast Guard. It is based on records of approximately 10,000 Ready Reservists (SELRES & IRR) that the Office of Readiness & Reserve had access to through the Personnel Management Information Systems (PMIS) data base. This information is normally collected as part of an annual screening questionnaire. If you have never supplied the USCG this info. and would like to, contact your servicing PERSRU. Special thanks to BMCM Paul Antic, Reserve Info. Systems Branch, G-RS-2, for compiling this data.

Getting Published

Via Fleet Home Town News Service

By ENS T.M. Wagner, D5(rst)

In the April 1994 Reservist, an article entitled "Getting Published" explained in detail how to break into your newspaper and to The Reservist. This issue we introduce another option that citizen-sailors may want to check out. It's called the Fleet Home Town News Service.

The Coast Guard is a public trust, and as part of a democratic government, we as Coast Guard Reservists are obliged and honored to keep the folks back home informed of the essential role that we play. Keeping the public informed helps generate public support for our missions and enhances crew morale.

The Fleet Home Town News Program currently provides the most effective and economical production and distribution of information about individual sea service members. The newer revised form (rev. 88), not yet in forms menu, has a special category for reserve use only. With this information, the Fleet Home Town News Center (FHTNC) will be able to contact your company and or company's newsletter with a quality story.

The folks at FHTNC have indicated that while the Coast Guard pays them \$15,000 a year for this service, still only a small number of commands actually use the service. Only 619 forms were submitted

between February 1993 and June 1994. The commands that do submit are repeat customers who value the service. **According to recent computer tracking, reservists have hardly used the service in recent years.**

If you are the public affairs collateral duty rep for your unit, and in doubt whether your story will be published, or want more information, write:

**Director
Fleet Home Town News Center
Naval Station, Building X-18
Norfolk, VA 23511-6698
(804) 444-2221**

FHTN Release Form

The current form used is NAVSO 5724/1 (Rev. 8-88) S/N 0104-LF-000-2600, shown in reduced form at right.

- Block 1:** Ensure unit is identified. Stories concerning deployed units always indicate the unit's home port or base.
- Block 2:** Required to ensure command is aware of submission.
- Block 4:** Important for Annual Training of reservists.
- Block 5:** Date event actually occurred, not submission date. For awards, use date the award was received. It is important that the form reaches FHTNC within 30 days of this date because some newspapers refuse to run information more than 45 days old.
- Blocks 6 & 7:** Make sure these two blocks agree.
- Block 9:** Be sure to include if story is "Reported Aboard."
- Block 12:** Social Security Number is the only means of tracking and ensuring that a recently submitted form doesn't get released in case of casualty. The SSN is not released to any newspapers.
- Block 13:** Especially important for reservists. This address is picked up for release in Annual Training Stories.
- Block 14:** If the father is deceased, indicate the fact. Addresses in blocks 14-21 are used to select media to receive releases. It is absolutely necessary to have the zip code for all addresses listed.
- Block 15:** Please use full name.
- Block 19:** May be omitted if individual didn't graduate. For high school graduates, the story may include "a graduate of...."
- Blocks 20-21:** See Block 19.
- Blocks 22:** More interesting if included. (ie. "...assigned to RU Portsmouth as Coxswain on 41-foot Utility Boat....")
- Block 23:** If the event is other than those indicated, write it in. Include copy of award citation(s). (Story info. comes from that). If event is a retirement, send a short bio including previous awards. Remember, you don't need to write a story, FHTN does that. But, you need to provide enough info. to assist in making the story more readable. Stories about exercises lasting 14 days will normally be used.
- Blocks 24 & 25:** The signature gives permission to release information under the privacy act.
- Block 26:** Reservists should fill this in for inclusion of employer & company name in news releases to their home area.
- Block 27:** Employers with company publications may want this type of release for use. Optional.

Fleet Home Town News Release Form

1. Instructions on Back
2. Print in Ink or Type
3. For Additional Remarks Use Block 23

1. Form: Command/Address		2. Command Releasing Authority Print Name Signature Duty Phone		3. RUC/UC/GP/FAC	
Homeport: Base, not FPO and J		4. Circle Branch or Service USN - USMC - USCG - USA - USAP		5. Date of Event MM/DD/YY	
6. Rank	7. Pay Grade	8. Date Entered Service MM/YY	9. Date Reported this Command	10. Sex M ___ F ___	11. Married Yes ___ No ___
12. Social Security Number			13. Your First, M.I., Last Name		
14. Spouse's Name (if married)			15. Living Parents or if Guardians or other Relatives Show Relationship - If Military Indicate Rank/Service		
16. Your Father's First, M.I., Last Name		Address (Number and Street)		ZIP Code	
17. Your Mother's First, M.I., Last Name		Address (Number and Street)		ZIP Code	
18. Wife/Husband's Father's First, M.I., Last Name		Address (Number and Street)		ZIP Code	
19. Wife/Husband's Mother's First, M.I., Last Name		Address (Number and Street)		ZIP Code	
20. High School - Complete Name		Year Graduated		City State ZIP Code	
21. College/University/Complete Name		City State		Type Degree/Year FHTNC Use Only	
22. College/University/Complete Name		City State		Type Degree/Year FHTNC Use Only	
23. Duty to Which Assigned/Job Title - If Designated a Plane Captain, etc., List Type Aircraft, Etc.					
24. Event-Check Appropriate Box or List Complete Details Use Extra Paper or attach copy of citation, etc.					
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported <input type="checkbox"/> Promoted to Above Rank <input type="checkbox"/> Meritorious <input type="checkbox"/> Medal/Award Attach Copy <input type="checkbox"/> Reenlisted Years <input type="checkbox"/> Retired Years					
25. PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT - AUTHORITY: 5 U.S.C. 552 and 14 U.S.C. 93f and 10 U.S.C. 8012 and 5034, and EO 9397. PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: To prepare news stories and news releases for distribution and publication by civilian news media to recognize the achievements of its service members. SSAN is used for positive identification. ROUTINE USE: Information may be disclosed to civilian news media representatives. Once published, information is considered "Public Domain." DISCLOSURE IS VOLUNTARY. Failure to provide the information may mean little or no public news release material can be produced, thus denying the individual public recognition for personal achievements.					
26. certify that the above information is correct and have no objection to its publication					
Signature		Date			
27. For Release Use Only - See Instructions on Back					
28. Home Address (Number and Street)		City		State ZIP Code	
29. Company Name		Address (Number and Street)		Position, Years with Company	
30. City		State		ZIP Code	
31. Home Address (Number and Street)		City		State ZIP Code	
32. FHTNC Use Only					

Front & Center

Retirements

AUGUST 1993

PSC John Zucci, D7

JUNE 1994

LCDR David Strickland, D5
MKC Brian Agaman, D1
ADC Peter Cuipenski, D7
BMC David Womelsdorff, D13

JULY 1994

CDR Raymond Magno, D5
CWO3 William Nolan, D9
YNCM Davis Thomas, D9
MKC Robert Allen, D11
BMC James Wall, D9

Received an award lately? Send *The Reservist* a copy of your award citation and we'll see it gets published.

CG recognizes Citizen-Sailor

EM2 Douglas Brown of D11 was awarded the Commandant's Letter of Commendation Ribbon. As a true Citizen-Sailor he gave guidance to the Public Works Department regarding the acquisition and installation of a shear machine for the unit's Metal Shop. When told that a cost estimate of \$2,500 had been submitted, he volunteered to do it himself. Brown ordered the part, modified the build-

ing's power supply system and installed the machine at a cost of only \$200 to the Coast Guard. In addition, while installing the machine, he discovered some incorrect parts that could cause severe damage to the motor. He replaced them and saved the unit a costly repair expense. Brown is an electrician for the City of Sacramento.



Photo courtesy of D13 Public Affairs

Members of RU Group Seattle were awarded the Coast Guard Meritorious Unit Commendation Award for operations associated with the Asian Pacific Economic Conference in November 1993.

MSO Guam captures NDTA Award

Coast Guard RU MSO Guam has been selected as the 1994 recipient of the National Defense Transportation Association Award for their distinguished service in operational transportation missions.

RU MSO Guam earned the award on the basis of the role it plays in providing support for the many defense munitions loadouts from Guam's military storage facilities. For the second consecutive year, unit members provided support for Christmas holiday loadout opera-

tions with less than 48 hours notice. Unit members also established moving security zones around military and merchant vessels with dangerous cargo onboard, ensuring the territory's only commercial harbor remained operational throughout.

When a devastating 8.2 magnitude earthquake struck Guam in August of 1993, unit members were among the first on scene to provide harbor inspection support to MSO Guam, investigating facilities for damage and assessing their suitability

for operations. Unit members also responded to over 100 pollution cases of various sizes, ensuring that proper cleanups were conducted to minimize shipping traffic disruption and damage to the environment.

The presentation of the NDTA award will be made to RU MSO Guam, along with nine other active and reserve units from all branches of the service, at the Annual NDTA Forum in St. Louis Oct. 2-5, 1994.

Medals & Awards

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

CDR Roger Wiebusch, D2

CG COMMENDATION MEDAL

LCDR David Beard, D2
LCDR Page Croyder, D5
LT James Zint, D2
QM2 Thomas Foley, D2
YN3 Peter Steele, D2
MK3 Peter White, D2

COAST GUARD ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

CDR Thomas Forbes, D8
LCDR Deborah Dombeck, D2
LT Christina Myers, D7
LT James Curry, D2
ENS Gerald Nauert, D2
PSCM Louis Hoskins, D2
YNCM Marilyn Carr, D2
BMC Charlie Roberson, D2
DC1 Rickey Holloway, D2
MK1 Ronald Kitts, D2
BM2 Terry Peabody, D2
BM2 Mark Allen, D5
ET2 J Dougherty, D2
RM2 Kathy Gallivan, D2
SK2 Kenneth Mayfield, D2
BM3 Charles Roche, D2

COMMANDANT'S LETTER OF COMMENDATION

CAPT Gordon Bell, D5
CDR James Ullian, D5
LCDR Gary Bagaas, D2
LT Joseph Dowdell, D7
LT John Bowers, D2
LTJG David Pleasants, D2
LTJG Edgar Stevens, D2
ENS Joseph Swansey, D2
CWO4 Carl Harlan, D2
CWO3 Kenneth Wilburn, D2
CWO2 T Adams, D2
CWO2 Charles Parrott, D2
BMCM Steve Neal, D7
ETC Hardy Medlin, D2
YNC Joye Williamson, D7
YNC David Schuster, D2
SS1 Richard Turner, D7
BM1 Stephen McDonald, D1
MK1 Eugene Kentch, D2
PS1 Raymond Spann, D2
PS1 Scott Pettis, D2
RD1 Daniel West, D2
SK1 James Harris, D2
SK1 William Richards, D2
YN1 John Combs, D2
YN1 Ronald Parker, D2
BM2 Wayne Andrews, D7
EM2 Douglas Brown, D11

HS2 Michael Brzezicki, D2
PS2 William Ashton, D2
PS2 Edward Navarro, D2
YN2 Donald Stephens, D2
HS3 Craig Monk, D2
YN3 John Willcox, D1
SK3 Mary Ammon, D7
BM3 Richard Harris, D2
MK3 John Bobo, D2
MK3 T Parsons, D2
PS3 D Harre, D2
FN K Dalpozzo, D2
FN Clyde Walton, D2

**CG MERITORIOUS UNIT
COMMENDATION (W/O)**
RU Station Ponce de Leon Inlet, D7

MERITORIOUS TEAM COMMENDATION RIBBON W/O

PS2/BM Gary Fausnaugh, D7
MK2 Jack Lawrence, D7
MK2 William Rhodes, D7
MK2 Jeffrey Shea, D7
BM3 Greg Stanley, D7
BM3 Michael Gonzalez, D7
PS3 Charles Keller, D7

Congratulations . . .

• **PSCS Dennis Thierbach** of RU Milwaukee was selected as the Coast Guard recipient of the 1994 Richard I. Bong Award. This award is presented annually by the Greater Milwaukee Area Armed Forces Week Committee which recognizes outstanding enlisted members of the military community.

• **MK1 Richard Whiteley** was selected as the RU Station Lake Worth Inlet, Fla. Sailor of the Quarter for the first quarter of FY94.

• On Saturday evening, May 14, the reserve and regular Coast Guard Special Agents, plus a large group of Coast Guard and civilian associates, friends and relatives, gathered at the Banners Club on Coast Guard Island to wish four retiring agents "fair winds and following seas." The four retiring reservists, **PS3 Lionel Hess, IVCM Dennis Devlin, IV1 Nobel Sprunger** and **IV1 Russ Melanson**, had all reached mandatory retirement age. Each had contributed over 25 years of service and all had become Reserve Special Agents during the late 1970's.

"In order that people may be happy in their work, these three things are needed: they must be fit for it, they must not do too much of it, and they must have a sense of success in it."

— John Ruskin

USCG bumperstickers

Both styles shown at right are available for E-7, E-8, E-9. Please indicate type and style required. Cost is \$2 each. Send check or money order and self-addressed envelope to:



**CPOA, Yorktown Chapter
P.O. Box 324 RTC
Yorktown, VA 23690-5000**

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**VIDTAG
P.O. Box 19164
Oklahoma City, OK 73144-0164
(405) 672-7315 (9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Central Time)**

New improved "Idea Express" starting in September

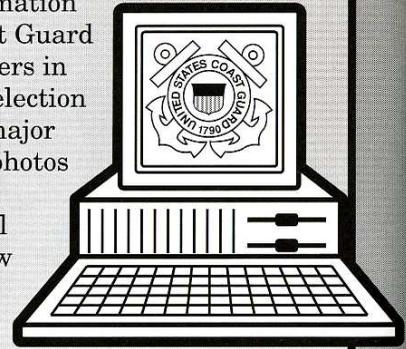
Have you submitted an Idea Express and then waited months or years to hear about it? Sept. 1 will mark the beginning of an improved Idea Express.

Now, it will be more streamlined and decentralized. Local suggestion offices will use a standard computerized tracking system to track suggestions. Local commands will be authorized to reward and recognize individuals and teams that make improvements in their own work area. This should encourage individuals to make suggestions in areas where they have expertise.

Ideas already in the system as of July 1 will be handled in accordance with the rules in effect when the ideas were submitted. See ALCOAST 066/94 for more information on Idea Express improvements.

USCG on CompuServe

CompuServe, an on-line information service, is now distributing Coast Guard images to its worldwide subscribers in its Graphics Gallery library. A selection of images from each of the four major service missions, and historical photos from the Normandy invasion of WWII are available. A thumbnail visual index provides an overview of the collection contents. Each image is accompanied by a one-line text description and abstract.



To navigate to the Graphics Gallery, select GO Gallery, then find U.S. Coast Guard in Section 15. For more information, contact Ann Sulkovsky at (202) 267-6932. For information on joining CompuServe, call (800) 848-8199.

USCG 800 numbers

**Boating Safety Hotline
1-800-368-5647**

**USCG Retiree Hotline
1-800-772-8724**

**USCG Uniform Distribution Center
1-800-874-6841**

**Health Benefits Advisor
1-800-9-HBA-HBA**

**USCGR HQ Hotline
1-800-283-8724**

**Women's Information Line
1-800-242-9513**

**Work-Life Staff
1-800-872-4957**

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Meet Rest of Family: CG Auxiliary

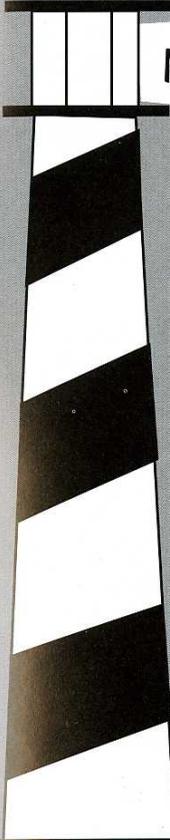
Cut backs hit everyone in a family — even the Coast Guard family. One family member has more openings and fewer restrictions than the others: Coast Guard Auxiliary. It also has more members than every other component of the Coast Guard and is open to all U.S.

citizens, age 17 and up. Uniforms have silver rather than gold; many ex and retired Coasties are within the Auxiliary ranks. There are jobs, skills and training to suit interests and time available. Contact: Eva Reed, USCGA Press Corps, (402) 334-8632 or your district boating safety office. The Coast Guard Auxiliary's 55th Anniversary was June 23, 1994 (ALCOAST 060/94).



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My Favorite Lighthouse

What is it about lighthouses that attracts people? Is it the charm, history or the nearby water? We want to find out! *The Reservist* is going to feature "My Favorite Lighthouse" in an issue later this fall. Send us a photo (color or black & white) of your favorite lighthouse (with you and/or your family in the picture if you wish), and tell us why it's your favorite in under 100 words. Include your name, rank, unit, and a phone number where you can be reached. Send your submission by Oct. 1, 1994 to:

Commandant (G-RS-1)
USCG Headquarters
2100 Second Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20593-0001
ATTN: My Favorite Lighthouse

ALDISTs / ALCOASTs / COMDTINSTs

USCG Featured in Major Motion Picture	ALCOAST 120/94
(Clear and Present Danger, Paramount Pictures)	
Streamlining Update	ALCOAST 072/94
Idea Express Improvements	ALCOAST 066/94
1994 Commandant's Quality Award Selections	ALCOAST 065/94
Haitian Operations	ALCOAST 059/94
Commandant's Diversity Statement	ALCOAST 053/94
U.S. Coast Guard Core Values	ALCOAST 039/94
Coast Guard's Rewards and Recognition Program	ALCOAST 024/94
Ready Reserve Direct Commission in Inactive Reserve	ALDIST 114/94
Inactive Duty Reserve Officer Selection Boards	ALDIST 107/94
Reserve Officer Promotion Authorization Listings	
(ROPAL) Number 7-94	ALDIST 104/94
(ROPAL) Number 6-94	ALDIST 103/94
U.S. Coast Guard's Voluntary Education Program	ALDIST 102/94
Administrative Discharge Procedures for Shirking	ALDIST 095/94
October 1994 Reserve Servicewide Exam (SWE) Competition	ALDIST 094/94
Graduate-level Benefits Added to MGIB Chapter 106	ALDIST 091/94
Public Affairs Policy - Elections	ALDIST 034/94
Guidance for Implementation of Transition Programs	
For Members of the Coast Guard SELRES	ALDIST 345/93
SELRES Downsizing Plan Implementation	ALDIST 344/93
Procedures for Submitting & Processing Requests for	
Reserve Transition Benefits	COMDTINST M1001.37
204th Birthday of the USCG	MSGID/GENADMIN

Reunions

- **Association of Gunner's Mates (USCG & USN)** — Will hold a reunion in conjunction with the CG Combat Veterans Association at Norfolk, Va., Oct. 26-30, 1994. Contact: Jack Photenbauer, Assn. of GM's, P.O. Box 247, Hammond, IN 46325. (219) 845-3747.
- **CG Combat Veterans Association** — Oct. 26-30, 1994 in Norfolk, Va. at Howard Johnson Hotel. Call the hotel for reservations ASAP at 1-800-627-5555. If interested in membership in CGCVA, contact Albert F. Courter, 14334 Thornwood Tr. Hudson, FL 34669. (813) 856-7387.
- **CGC Harriet Lane (WMEC-903)** — 10th anniversary celebration, Sept. 24, 1994 at USCG Support Center Portsmouth, Va. Contact: ENS Yvonne Petry, CGC Harriet Lane (WMEC-903), 4000 Coast Guard Blvd., Portsmouth, VA 23703. (804) 483-8720.
- **CGC White Heath (WLM-545)** — 50th anniversary of commissioning, Sept. 10, 1994, 10 a.m. at SUPCEN Boston, Mass. Contact: BMC Paul Newton, CGC White Heath (WLM-545), 427 Commercial St., Boston, MA 02109. (617) 223-3075/6.
- **Galloo Island, N.Y.** — Members of USCG lifeboat/light station and CGC 83359. Reunion scheduled for Sept. 16-18, 1994, Sackets Harbor, N.Y., Ontario Place Hotel. Contact: Gordon Koscher, 4712 Glenwood Dr., Mantua, OH 44255. (216) 274-2927.
- **Greenland Patrol** — Second annual, Oct. 26-30, 1994, Howard Johnson Hotel, Norfolk, Va. Held in conjunction with the CG Combat Veterans Association. Contact: A.F. Courter, 14334 Thornwood Trail, Hudson, FL 34669. (813) 856-7387.
- **RTC Yorktown, Va.** — Fifth annual reunion for all former Yorktowners Oct. 21-23, 1994 at RTC Yorktown. Special attraction this year is dinner cruise on *Spirit of Norfolk*. Contact: Tom Travers, 998 Ridgewood Lane, West Chester, PA 19382. (610) 436-0181.
- **USS Callaway (APA-35)** — Oct. 4-6, 1994 in San Francisco. Contact: R.L. Stambach, 4293-B Island Circle, Fort Myers, FL 33919-4427. (813) 481-0359.
- **USS Champlin (DD-601)** — Oct. 18-23, 1994 in Charleston, S.C. Contact: George H. Styles, 45 Oak Avenue, Smithtown, NY 11787. (516) 265-2155.
- **USS PC-590** — Sept. 16-18, Dayton, Ohio. Contact: F.C. Munchmeyer, 226 rue Saint Peter, Metairie, LA 70005. (504) 834-9191.

RM rate changes name,
but rating badge stays same

The long-standing radioman rate (RM) is getting a new name, but the rating badge will remain the same. The new designation is telecommunications specialist (TC). The name of the rate was changed to more accurately reflect the job of the members of the rating. The new designation should go into effect Oct. 1, 1994.

“Work keeps at bay
three great evils:
boredom, vice and need.”
— Voltaire

Nationwide TEMAC/SADT/EAD

As of 8/4/94

Place	Duration	Rate/Rank	Quals	Point of Contact
Loran Station Kodiak, AK CGHQ (G-RSM), Wash, D.C.	60 days Oct. 1-March, 30, 1995	CWO(Mat) E4/E5; YN/SK	Public works or equivalent engineering exp. Reserve Records Section	LTJG McMillin, (907) 463-2252/3 CWO4 Ouellette, (202) 267-0543

SWE Q&As

By MCPO R. G. Emerson

CGHQ RESERVE PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT DIVISION, G-RSM

Some commonly asked Servicewide Exam questions:

1. Why doesn't the Reserve program increase the frequency of the annual SWE to semi-annually?

The active duty force administers a semi-annual SWE because there is an organizational need to do so and because that need also benefits all concerned. The active duty enlisted force is four times larger than the Reserve force, has constant turnover, and immediate operational needs. Unfortunately, there is no benefit to be gained from administering the Reserve SWE on a semi-annual basis. Any change in policy should benefit the organization, the program, the member, or all three. Increasing frequency of Reserve SWE's cannot be justified in consideration of the very costly expense and ongoing insufficient number of participants in the annual SWE. Increasing Reserve SWE frequency will not increase the number of participants or available vacancies; however it would substantially increase Reserve program costs.

2. Why doesn't the Reserve program provide meritorious advancements to the number one advancement eligible for each rate on the Eligibility List?

The practice of guaranteeing advancement of reservists as recognition for SWE accomplishment has been tried in the past. It failed because it advanced more people than were needed to perform our mission, even though the Reserve force was considerably larger at the time. Appropriately, that practice was later rescinded. Although only one person from each rate was meritoriously advanced, the practice produced excesses that virtually eliminated advancement opportunities in some Reserve rates in recent years. Advancements cost dollars. Congress only appropriates enough funding to perform our assigned mission. That appropriation cannot be exceeded, requiring diligent management of scarce dollars. The problem is compounded further by current and future uncertainties regarding funding constraints of the Reserve program. If we have an excess number of members in a rate, and are then forced to downsize in the future, many more members will be removed from the Selected Reserve as a result. Reservists are now advanced to existing vacancies. Meritorious advancement policies have proven to be detrimental rather than advantageous to the program. Therefore, no consideration is currently being given to reimplementing "meritorious" advancement policies.

3. Do I need to attend the Chief Petty Officer's Academy (Reserve Course)?

There is a requirement to attend the CPO Academy to be eligible for advancement to E-9. However, this requirement can be fulfilled by either attending the six-week CPOA resident course or the CPOA (Reserve Course).

4. Vacancies required for the advancement of personnel are sometimes unknown until after the SWE is administered. How can that be?

One reason is that the fiscal year ends on Sept. 30, and our Reserve Appropriation is often not known until sometime in October. That appropriation directly affects the total number of members that we can have in the Selected Reserve for the following year. Another reason is that while some rates may be fully manned (100 percent), we never know how many eligible members will actually compete for advancement to the next higher pay grade. The advancement or retirement of members serving in senior pay grades directly affects the advancement of members in lower pay grades. Consequently, if senior members do not compete in the SWE and do not advance or retire, vacancies are not created to allow the advancement of members from the lower rate. Leadership 101: How can one motivate subordinates without demonstrating an equivalent or greater degree of motivation that he/she seeks from them? Consider that on Jan. 1, 1994:

- There were only six names on the RMC list although there were 18 vacancies. We have **36** RM1s.
- Only 43 names appeared on the BM1 list although there were 64 vacancies. We have **131** BM1s.
- Only two names appeared on the GMC list, and there were seven vacancies. We have **17** GM1s.
- Other rates having more vacancies than advancement eligible candidates were (DP2, GM1, IVC, IV1, IV2, PAC, PA1, PA2, QMC, QM1, QM2, RD1, RD2, RMI and RM2).

As the Reserve Program rightsizes to meet changes in mission requirements, advancement opportunities will get more competitive. Did you "miss the boat?" Why are there a large amount of vacancies in some pay grades and no vacancies in others? It is due to the appropriation, program, district, reserve unit, the member or other reservists...each plays a part in the process.



Changing of the Guard

Trent sworn in as MCPO-CG

A former Coast Guard Reservist has been sworn in as the Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard, the highest enlisted rank attainable in the Coast Guard. ATCM Eric A. Trent officially commenced his new duties at a July 1 Relief and Retirement Ceremony at Telecommunications & Information Systems Command in Alexandria, Va. Trent relieved R. Jay Lloyd, also a former reservist, who has held the post since June 1990.

A Coronado, Calif. native, Trent has served 30 years in the Coast Guard and

initially entered as a Coast Guard Reservist in 1963 before deciding to make the Coast Guard a career and integrating to active duty.

Master Chiefs of the USCG

MCPO-CG Eric A. Trent.....	1994-
MCPO-CG R. Jay Lloyd.....	1990-94
MCPO-CG Allen W. Thiele.....	1986-90
MCPO-CG Carl W. Constantine ...	1981-86
MCPO-CG Hollis B. Stephens.....	1977-81
MCPO-CG Phillip F. Smith.....	1973-77
MCPO-CG Charles L. Calhoun.....	1969-73



Photo by PA1 Don Wagner, USCG photo team

MCPO-CG Rick Trent, left, is congratulated by his predecessor, MCPO-CG R. Jay Lloyd, right, while ADM Robert E. Kramek, center, looks on at the July 1 ceremony.



Reservist salutes outgoing CGR-CEA Croom...



MCPO Forrest W. Croom

MCPO Forrest W. Croom, the Coast Guard Reserve's first Command Enlisted Advisor will step down at a Relief Ceremony at CG Headquarters Aug. 31. Croom, who was the first to assume duties as CGR-CEA in June 1991, quickly established many precedents, including frequent visits to the field and writing his own column, "On Deck" in *The Reservist*. One of his proudest accomplishments was work on and establishment of the Chief Petty Officer Academy Reserve course. He also served admirably as liaison to the Naval Enlisted Reserve Association and as the enlisted voice on the policy making board in the Office of Readiness & Reserve. *The Reservist* salutes MCPO Croom on his groundbreaking work and wishes him fair winds and following seas in his future citizen-sailor endeavors.



MCPO William C. Phillips

...and welcomes incoming CGR-CEA, Phillips

MCPO William C. Phillips of Portland, Ore. has been selected as the Coast Guard Reserve's new Command Enlisted Advisor. He assumed the duties Sept. 1. Phillips first enlisted in the USCG in September 1969, serving as a commissaryman at Governors Island, Quoddy Head, Maine and South West Harbor, Maine, Loran Station Iwo Jima and aboard *CGC Point Richmond*. He has been a CG Reservist since September 1973 and attained the rank of Master Chief in March 1984. A police officer, Phillips holds a B.S. Degree in Administration of Justice and an M.S. in Administration of Criminal Justice. He is married to the former Elizabeth Ann Marshall of Portland, Ore. They have three children, Monica, Patricia and Julie.

♪ say can you see...

Writer of National Anthem served as Citizen-Soldier

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FORT McHENRY NATIONAL MONUMENT & SHRINE

It was 180 years ago this Sept. 14 that an inspired Francis Scott Key wrote the words to what is now our National Anthem. By 1814, Key had become an influential young Washington, D.C. lawyer, had appeared many times before the Supreme Court, and had been appointed the United States District Attorney.

Because of his religious beliefs, Key was strongly opposed to the War of 1812. However, due to his deep love for his country, he did serve for a brief time in the Georgetown field artillery in 1813.

During the War of 1812, Dr. William Beanes, a close friend of Key's was taken prisoner by the British. Key, asked to assist in efforts to get Dr. Beanes released, met with Colonel John Skinner, a government agent who arranged for prisoner exchanges. Together, they set out on a small boat to meet the Royal Navy Sept. 4, 1814 in Chesapeake Bay.

On board the British flagship, the British agreed to release Dr. Beanes, but because the three men had learned of the British plan to attack Baltimore, they were detained until after the bombardment of Fort McHenry. The three Americans were placed aboard the American vessel, and waited behind the British fleet. From a distance of approximately eight miles, Key and his friends watched the British bombard Fort McHenry.



Francis Scott Key

After 25 hours of continuous bombing, the British decided to leave since they were unable to destroy the fort as they had hoped. Realizing that the British had ceased the attack, Key looked toward the fort to see if the flag was still there. It was!

He later described how he felt when he saw McHenry's flag still waving at dawn on the 14th: "Through the clouds of the war the stars of that banner still shone in my view, and I saw the discomfited host of its assailants driven back in ignominy to their ships. Then, in the hour of deliverance, and joyful triumph, my heart spoke; and 'Does not such a country and such defenders of their country deserve a song?' was its question."

Key jotted down notes on Sept. 14 and finished the poem upon his return to Baltimore. It was soon handed out as a handbill under the title "Defence of Fort McHenry." Later, the words were set to music, and renamed "The Star Spangled Banner." It became a popular patriotic song. It was not until 1931, however, that it became our National Anthem.

To honor the author of "The Star Spangled Banner," there are monuments at Fort McHenry and on Eutaw Place in Baltimore, and at the Presidio in San Francisco. The Key Bridge in Washington, D.C. is named for him. The original Star-Spangled Banner is displayed at the Smithsonian Institution's Museum of American History in Washington, D.C.

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"Let the praise, then, if any be due, be given, not to me, who only did what I could not help doing, but to the inspirers of the song!"
— Francis Scott Key

