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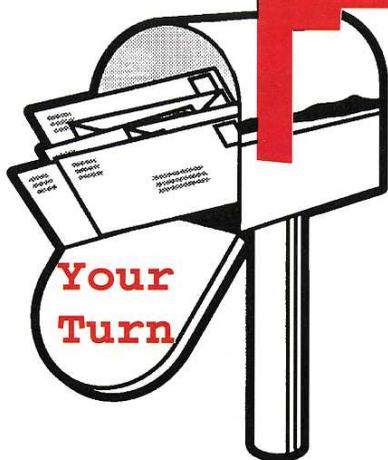
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## On the Covers

**Front:** It's the 75th Birthday of the CPO rating as CPOs from CGHQ gather at the Navy and Marine Memorial in Arlington, Va. For names and more info. on the memorial, see Page 6. Photo by PA1 E. Kruska.  
**Back:** The Station St. Inigoes, Md. 41-footer glides slowly by the Piney Point Lighthouse during a Reserve drill May 20, making an excellent nautical backdrop for the Coast Guardsman's Creed, published here in honor of Coast Guard Day. Photo by PA1 E. Kruska.



## Nice photo but...

That was a lovely picture on the June 1995 cover, but how come one of the color guard members has hair showing under the brim of her hat? I find it hard to believe someone let her go on duty that way much less be photographed and then shown on the front cover of *The Reservist*.

— PSC M. Cavanaugh  
MSO Honolulu

*Editor's note: In talking with the member, hair had been within regulations prior to marching into the ceremony but fell down during their entrance.*

## Cruisin' with CG Standard

After the fine articles on the flags in the June issue of *The Reservist*, I thought you might appreciate how the Coast Guard Standard is being flown. I am a boat engineer at Group St. Petersburg, Fla., and I also am the Chapter Director for the local Gold Wing Road Riders Association.

There was a parade in Jacksonville Beach recently with Gold Wing motorcycles carrying the U.S. flag, all military flags, followed by the 50 state flags. It was quite an impressive sight to see with 56 flags on 56 Gold Wings in a parade. I, naturally, requested to carry the United States Coast Guard Standard.

— MK1 Donald R. Kessel  
Bradenton, Fla.

## Flag etiquette



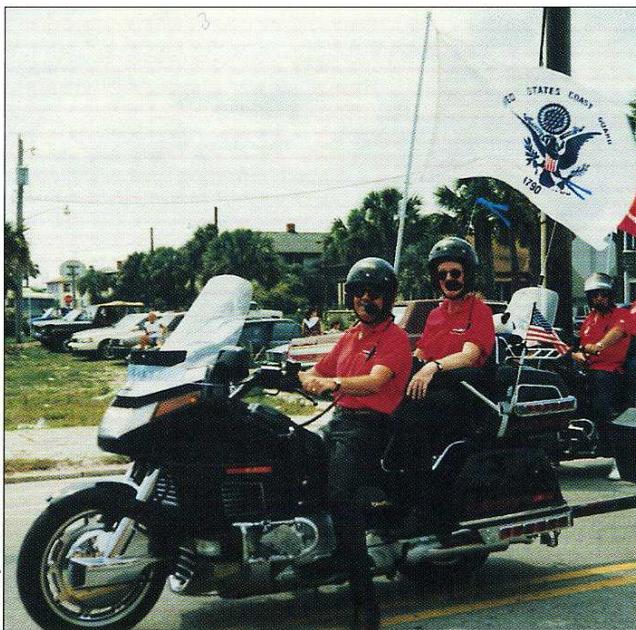
Your article on the flag [June 1995] stated that the American flag should not be flown upside down except when in dire distress. The display of an upside down flag is not one of the distress signals listed in COMDTINST M16672.2B *Navigation Rules, International-Inland;*

*Rule 37 — Distress Signals.* Of course, as a Coast Guard coxswain, I would contact anyone displaying an upside down flag, since this signal is a part of the common folklore.

Also, is *The Reservist* planning on having another edition highlighting the many different reservists and their occupations? That edition was one of the more interesting issues that I have read.

— BMC Carl M. Buick  
Station Seattle

*Editor's note: The "Citizen-Sailor" issue [September 1994] on reservists' occupations featured over 100 individuals. The September 1995, "Citizen-Sailor" issue will feature "Your family's contributions to your Reserve career." However, as we went to press, we had only received a handful of submissions....*



Courtesy MK1 Donald Kessel

**MK1 Donald Kessel cruises with CG Standard.**

## Iwo Jima article recognized all contributions

As the Executive Director of the California Committee of ESGR I have enjoyed the privilege of being on the mailing list of *The Reservist*. My association with the Coast Guard began when my father served in the Coast Guard Reserve (Temporary).

My father was a naturalized citizen and wished to serve his country. He initially enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve Aug. 17, 1936, and was honorably discharged four years later. Following Pearl Harbor, he attempted to reenlist in the Marine Corps but due to his age and work related to the war effort, was denied. When the Navy formed the Seabee Battalions, he again attempted to enlist... but was again refused.

His opportunity to serve his country was finally made possible when he was enlisted as a "Temporary Member of the Coast Guard Reserve" Dec. 14, 1942. He proudly served for the duration being awarded the World War II Victory Medal on Oct. 30, 1945 and disenrolled as an Electrician's Mate First Class.

I was able to follow my father's example when I entered the Marine Corps PLC program Nov. 8, 1952 and officially retired from the Marine Corps Reserve in February 1993.

As a Marine Corps Reserve officer and the son of a former Marine and Coast Guard Reservist, I believe *The Reservist* articles concerning the role of the Coast Guard at Iwo Jima [February 1995] provided the opportunity to review the contributions of all the services that participated in that action.

As was noted by Admiral Nimitz... "Among the Americans who served on Iwo Island uncommon valor was a common virtue."

— Lt. Col. Gerald M. Prizant  
USMCR (Ret)  
San Jose, Calif.



## Another view of Iwo Jima

I read the April *Reservist* magazine cover to cover and enjoyed it very much, especially stories and pictures of people and places that I am familiar with. It was good to see an old friend, PSCS John Dowd, being sworn in for another "hitch." I have a much different feeling than LT

Taylor and Dr. White seem to have about the February '95 *Reservist's* coverage of "The Coast Guard at Iwo Jima." I enjoyed it very much — thought it was great.

I have a brother who served at Iwo Jima (USMC 5th Division). I sent him a copy of the cover and the story, and he enjoyed it, too. He went through hell while he was there, but he knew that a lot of others did too, (including USCG and USN people). He told me that he knew there were a lot of USCG coxswains there, and he had wondered if the boat that he went in on had a Coast Guard or Navy coxswain. He was also glad to see the photo (and the other info) about the first flag raising. He knew each of the people who raised the second one. I guess we each think that "our war" was the most important one.

— PSCM Steve Brown  
USCGR(Ret.)  
Loa, Utah

## Reminder of Okinawa

Seeing and reading about the rifle teams [April 1995] reminds me of the invasion of Okinawa in 1945 where I stood an 18-hour watch with a Springfield rifle. My orders were to shoot at anything that moved in the water. The Japanese, with bombs attached to their bodies, were swimming out to ships offshore...and we were only 50 yards offshore! — Tom Tuckhorn

LST 789, Cherry Hill, N.J.

## Awards information

The June 1995 issue of *Commandant's Bulletin* included a page on awards/ribbons/medals in order of precedence. Many reservists would welcome this information for their own use. Please include this colorful complete page in a future issue of *The Reservist*.

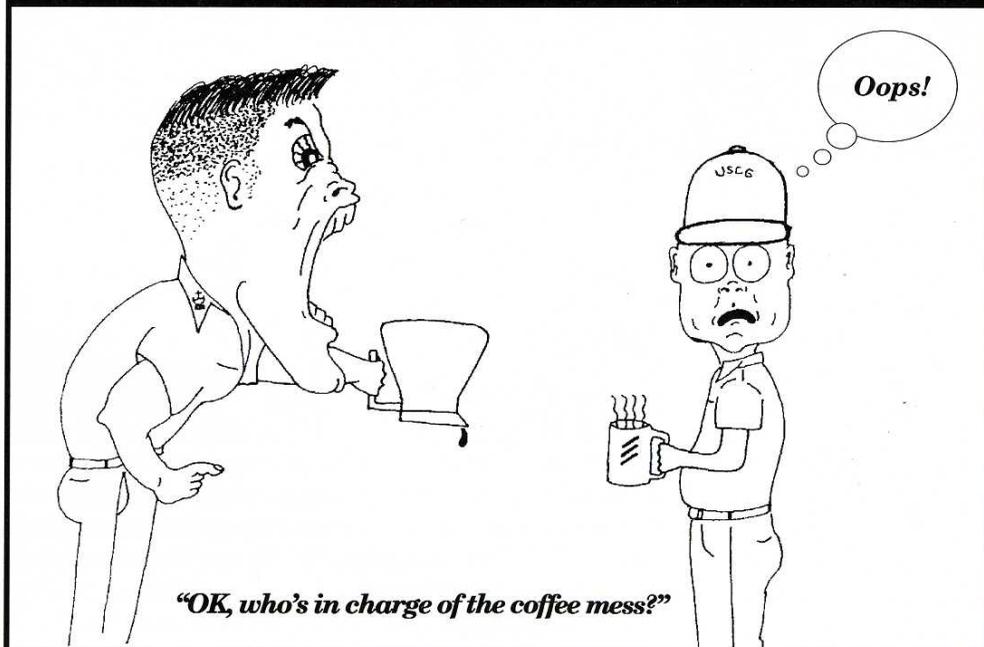
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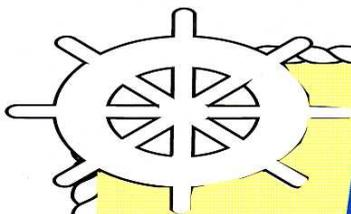
*Editor's note: Great idea! Watch for it in a future issue.*

### In September's issue:

- Letters: Diversity & Right-Arm Rates
- Family's contributions to CGR Members
- Customer Satisfaction Survey Results
- V-E Day Remembered

## A chief without coffee is like a day without sunshine...





# A View From the Bridge

By Rear Admiral Richard M. Larrabee, USCG

Chief, Office of Readiness & Reserve



**I**t's nice to be back! For six weeks in May and June I had the privilege of being a CAPSTONE Fellow. CAPSTONE is a program sponsored by the Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS) to help newly-selected flag and general officers of the armed forces become more effective in their new assignments. All new flag and general officers, including the Coast Guard's, are required to attend.

My class of 35 had the rare opportunity to listen to and talk with all of our geographic commanders-in-chief (CINCs), their supporting CINCs, the JCS staff, our service chiefs, senior leaders in other executive agencies and organizations, and, from the Legislative Branch, the Speaker of the House of Representatives. We traveled all over the United States, flew on and off an aircraft carrier, drove the M-1 battle tank, and got a first-hand glimpse of our nation's very impressive war fighting capability. Outside the U.S., we split into three groups and ventured east, west and south. We visited with ambassadors, 'country' teams and CINCs, and spent time with senior leaders in each of the countries we visited. All in all, it was a very enlightening experience.

From CAPSTONE, I developed several impressions I would like to share with you. First, I am more impressed than ever with the sheer dedication

and hard work of all the people, both active duty and reserve, who serve in the armed forces today. From four-star generals at the Pentagon to seaman apprentices aboard Coast Guard patrol boats, we witnessed professionalism and pride in abundance. This, I believe, is due not just to effective leadership, but, in large measure to the *quality* of our members.

Although the Cold War is over, the operational tempo of all of the services has in many ways increased. Downsizing has placed more demands on our personnel and the variety of threats to national security has increased with a greater degree of unpredictability.

As my first real exposure to the overall capabilities of the U.S. Armed Forces, to say it was impressive is an understatement. What underlies all of this today is the extensive use of new technology to create a military advantage. Whether it is the B-2 bomber or the laser gear used at the National Training Center at Fort Edwards, you cannot help but notice how much effort has gone into modernizing our services to give them the global edge.

Interestingly at CAPSTONE, I was the only member of my class from the Coast Guard. I must tell you that they did not know much about our service when we started. However, by the close of the six-week course, though they may not have known it word-for-word, they could at least *hum* the tune of "Semper Paratus!" Indeed, CAPSTONE helped that small group gain a better picture of what we are all about. As an aid in that effort, VADM Kent Williams, Coast Guard Chief of Staff, presented them with an excellent overview of today's Coast



**CAPT Ron White, then-Chairman, CG Affairs Committee for ROA, right, presents the ROA "Minuteman Award" to RADM Richard M. Larrabee for his "outstanding work" in the Reserve Program in the past year. The award was presented June 29 at ROA National Convention, Des Moines, Iowa.**

Photo courtesy CDR Jon W. Minor, USCGR

Guard. In addition, most of the class got the opportunity to ride a 110-foot patrol craft along with some great plugs from the other service chiefs and CINCs. My sense, however, is that the Coast Guard is still not a well-known commodity within the DoD community.

I would therefore ask each of you to continue helping in this area. That

means getting involved in joint operations when possible. It means being professional in performing your duties. It means wearing the uniform correctly and with pride. And, it means continuing to remind our fellow services that there are *five* armed forces, not four.

Meanwhile, with CAPSTONE behind me, I can say it truly is nice to be back. While away, I noted that a number of events, both planned and unplanned, occurred. We planned our participation in joint exercises



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**CAPT Percy Norwood**

*Allegiant Sentry* and *Response 95*. We did not plan for the flooding in the Midwest! However, once again our 2nd District reservists (150 of them!) proved their mettle and promptly responded to the call. Secretary of Transportation Peña was quick to honor our request for involuntary call-up authority and, as with the '93 floods, the Reserve was again "Semper Paratus!"

Integration is progressing on all fronts and many of our process improvement efforts

are beginning to pay off. There are more changes coming here at Headquarters and next month (September) I hope to be in a position to share with you the Commandant's streamlining initiatives and the effects they are expected to have on us.

Incidentally, I am pleased to note that while I was away, things in the Office of Readiness and Reserve moved along without a hitch. I was not surprised. Our program is very fortunate to have a group of very dedicated individuals who care a great deal for each of you in the field. I want to take this opportunity to thank two people from that staff who recently departed G-R.

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The first is CAPT Percy Norwood, who headed the Reserve Personnel Management Division (G-RSM) for the past 14 months. CAPT Norwood and his staff performed nothing short of brilliantly during a very trying period and I have come to rely heavily on their hard work to keep all of you supported. CAPT Norwood, by the way, was recently named

one of three nominees from a field of 13 for the 1995 NAACP Roy Wilkins Meritorious Service Award to be awarded in Minneapolis. I shall miss CAPT Norwood's judgment and can-do attitude. He has moved on to head the Coast Guard's recruiting efforts — not an easy assignment these days. We all wish him well.

CAPT Joe Rogers, who served as my deputy, retired June 30 following 30 years' service to the Coast Guard.

Though many of you may never have met him, CAPT Rogers was a steady and tireless leader for the Reserve Program. His knowledge of the Coast Guard and his genuine concern for our people were his hallmark. I could always trust his judgment and common sense in difficult situations. Although he has retired from the Coast Guard, CAPT Rogers is certainly not slowing down as he begins a new career teaching high school mathematics this fall in the Washington, D.C. area. I can't think of a more worthwhile endeavor and I know I speak for everyone in wishing him all the best.

My plans over the next few months call for getting out to visit more Coast Guard units, addressing your concerns, applauding your achievements, and continuing to make integration work.

In closing, as we commemorate the diamond anniversary of the creation of the chiefs rank in this issue, please join me in honoring all members of our Chief's Corps, both past and present, who have truly been the "backbone" of our great Service. Happy Birthday, Chiefs and Happy 205th, USCG! Semper Paratus!



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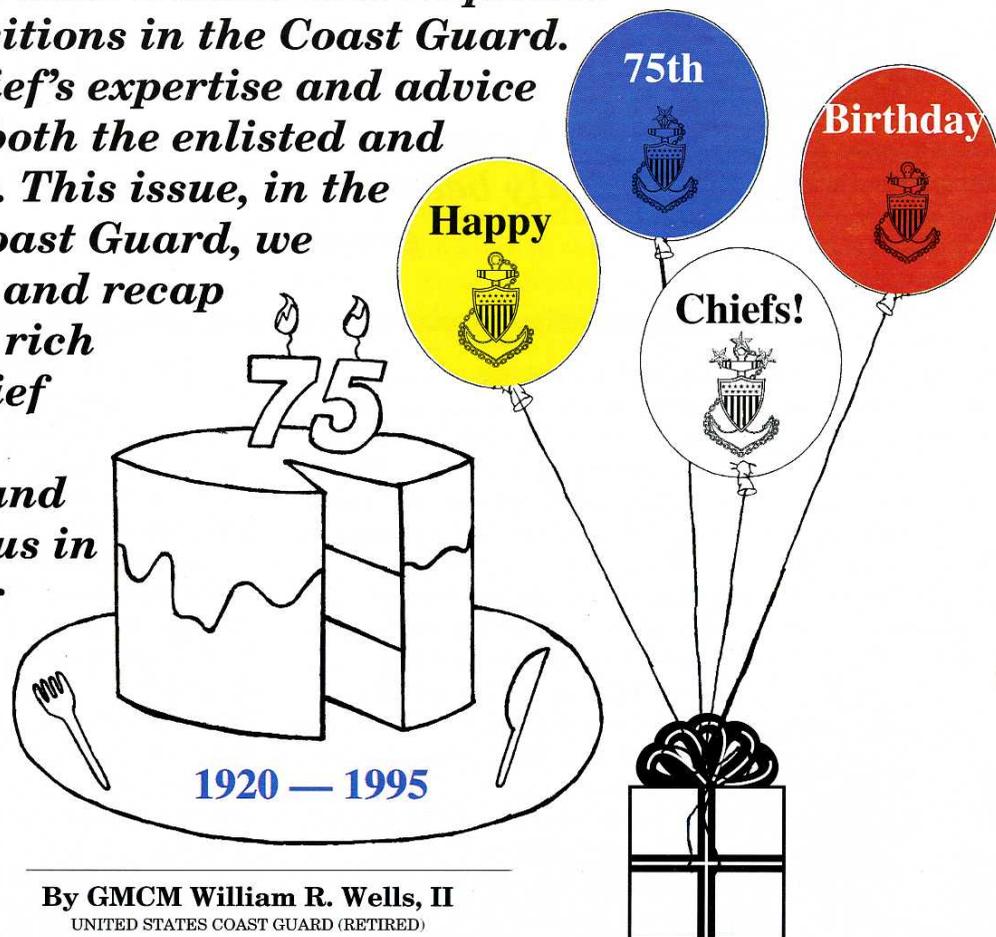
**CAPT Joseph Rogers,**



# "Go ask the Chief!"

*These words have resounded throughout the Coast Guard since the establishment of the Chief Petty Officer rate May 18, 1920. It is one of the most trusted and respected positions in the Coast Guard.*

*The Chief's expertise and advice are sought by both the enlisted and officer community. This issue, in the spirit of Team Coast Guard, we celebrate, salute and recap chronologically the rich history of our Chief Petty Officers — regular, reserve and retired. Please join us in wishing all of our Chiefs a very Happy 75th Birthday!*



By GMCMM William R. Wells, II  
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD (RETIRED)



## Cover photo does double

*Everyone's heard the old saying that "a picture's worth a thousand words." Well, this month's cover photo is actually worth many more. In fact, there are actually two stories behind this month's cover photo.*

**1<sup>ST</sup>** The 13 Coast Guard chiefs in the front portion of the photo are wishing our Chief Petty Officers a Happy Birthday on their 75th! These 13 chiefs represent a total of 273 years service to our great Coast Guard, which by the way, celebrates its 205th Birthday Aug. 4. With that much combined service time, these chiefs could probably fill many more pages of sea stories! Pictured left to right:

**Front row:** SCPO Jerry W. Bigelow, USCG, 22 years service; MCPO Bill Phillips, USCGR, 26 years. **Second row:** CPO Frank T. Jennings, USCG, 11 years; MCPO-CG Eric A Trent, USCG,

32 years; MCPO Larry K. Marshall, USCG, 25 years; MCPO David F. Hauser, USCG, 22 years. **Third row:** MCPO James R. Stone, USCG, 25 years; SCPO Myles Shaw, USCG, 17 years; SCPO Sandy L. O'Toole, USCG, 17 years; SCPO Dick Jones, USCG, 21 years. **Back row:** MCPO Terry L. Yenette, USCG, 21 years; SCPO Mark Ripberger, USCGR, 14 years; MCPO Linda J. Reid, USCGR, 20 years.

**2<sup>ND</sup>** The unusual memorial our chiefs are standing in front of is called the *Navy and Marine Memorial*, Dedicated to Americans Lost at Sea and



Artificer and Special Branch. On June 28, 1921, Coast Guard HQ issued Circular Letter No. 202 outlining these groups. All rates were represented by a CPO grade except engine-man, coppersmith, blacksmith, boiler-maker, molder, patternmaker, painter and sailmaker's mate.

**A**lthough the 1920 Act created compatibility, it did not totally create professional requirements for all of the Coast Guard's peculiar situations. The first CPOs rated in

the Coast Guard were the former keepers of the Life Saving Service. Most were rated Chief Boatswain's Mate (CBM) and had the lifesaving (L) suffix to distinguish them from their sea going counterparts. In essence, the separation created two Coast Guards that did not join until World War II. →

## MCPO-CG salutes chiefs

This year as we celebrate the 75th birthday of the Coast Guard Chief Petty Officer, much is being written about the history of the Chief, the rank's early beginnings, and its evolution. I want to key on one aspect of this evolution — the Chiefs!

During my 32-year career, I have watched the quality of the Coast Guard Chiefs' Corps steadily improve. Their commitment to our core values of **honor, respect and devotion to duty** is stronger than ever.

This positive change continues to occur because each Chief Petty Officer is a composite of the leadership traits and qualities they have observed in the Chiefs that trained them. These traits and qualities that have been emulated are the very ones that have helped mold and shape today's Chief.

I credit all Chiefs that have served in the Coast Guard during the last 75 years with the success the Chiefs' Corps enjoys, for the continual improvement, and the stature of today's Chiefs.

Coast Guard Chief Petty Officers, I salute all of you for having always been and for continuing to be a guide for those who follow.

*Eric A. Trent*

Eric A. Trent

Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard



**O**n May 18, 1920, an Act of Congress officially established the Chief Petty Officer in the Coast Guard. This Act was intended to "increase the efficiency of the commissioned and enlisted personnel of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Public Health Service," and made the Coast Guard's "grades and ratings of warrant officers, chief petty officers, petty officers and other enlisted persons in the Coast Guard the same as in the Navy...."

Less than a month later, the Coast Guard issued its first list of "Abbreviations of Enlisted Ratings and Special Designations." This list was a reprint of the Navy's rating list and listed at the head:

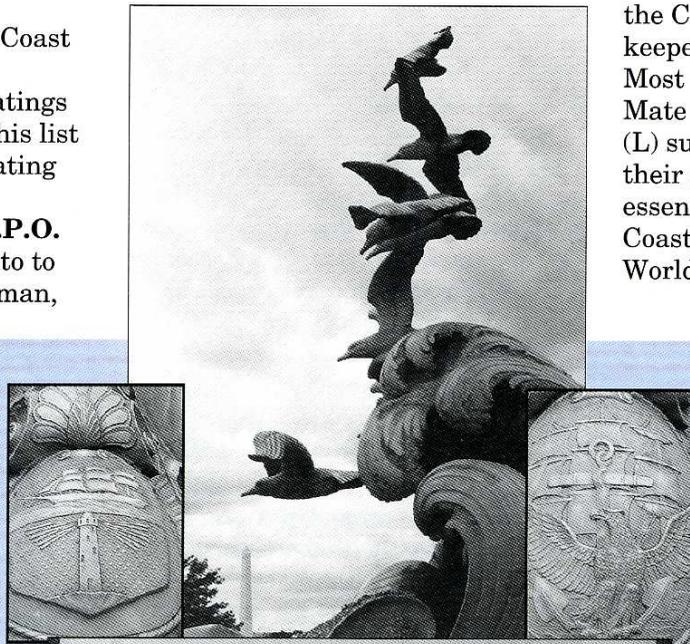
### Chief Petty Officer.....C.P.O.

All ratings were divided into to three distinct groupings: Seaman,

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is located adjacent to the George Washington Memorial Parkway on the west bank of the Potomac River in Arlington, Va.

This monument, 35-feet tall and 30-feet long, was sculpted in aluminum by Ernesto Begni del Piatta. It consists of seven sea gulls in flight above the crest of a wave and stands on a green granite base. Under an Act of Congress passed on Feb. 16, 1924, it was erected, without cost to the United States, by the Navy and Marine Memorial Association for \$335,630. A Joint Resolution approved June 26, 1934, authorized the erection on public grounds in the city of Washington, D.C. Congress appropriated \$13,000 for the transportation and placement of the memorial, which was



### Navy and Marine Memorial Dedicated to Americans Lost at Sea

*In war and in peace, in commerce and in travel, in rescue and in discovery, in fisheries and in research, this nation has forged a bond with and a dependence on the sea. This monument of waves and gulls memorializes our national life at sea. It is dedicated*

*to the thousands of Americans who have perished in the sea and to those whose destiny still is linked with our naval and maritime services. The reliefs on the sides of the pedestal of the memorial illustrate, by direct or symbolic representation, all these activities.*

Plaque presented by the United States Coast Guard in 1990 on the occasion of its Bicentennial

dedicated on Oct. 18, 1934. The Report of the 68th Congress stated that "this memorial is intended as a monument to our national life on the sea and to be affectionately dedicated to the thousands of Americans who have gone down in the sea whose destiny is so closely linked with our naval and maritime services.... The Navy, merchant marine, Coast Guard, discoveries, travel, fisheries, etc., will be properly represented...." It also honors those who are still offering their lives in the performance of heroic deeds upon the waters of the world.

CAPT John Bruce, USCG(Ret.) of Bethesda, Md., who brought the monument to the attention of *The Reservist*, says that for many years it was referred to as the Coast Guard Monument. USCG unveiled a plaque here (see photo) on the occasion of its Bicentennial in 1990. The Coast Guard Reservist



# Veteran MCPO "player" loves

## Team Coast Guard

By DC3(PA) Dave Davis, USCGR

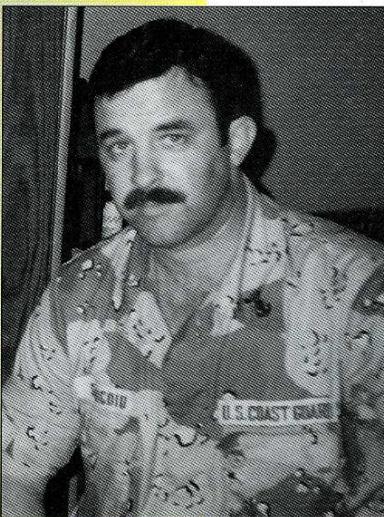
As everyone knows by now, our Reserve component is integrating with the active duty side, and there are many adjustments afoot. For some Coasties though, these changes aren't really changes at all because some reservists have been working as active duty members for a long time.

One such individual is PSCM Tom Stoicoiu (pronounced Stoycoy) of the 9th District. A member of the CG Reserve since 1969, he enlisted at the age of 17 on Aug. 4, Coast Guard Day, and spent his 18th birthday in boot camp. There was no ice cream and cake or sleeping in for Stoicoiu that year. But, even that didn't disappoint Stoicoiu. He said it's all a part of being in the military and the Coast Guard — and the Coast Guard is the branch he loves.

"I've been fortunate in that I've been able to always find a spot where I'm needed," said Stoicoiu, "and working in the Coast Guard is the best job I've ever had."

In his almost 26 year CG Reserve career, Stoicoiu has accumulated about 10 years worth of active duty. After graduating from PS "A" School, he augmented Marine Safety Office Cleveland, serving as a Selected Reservist at RU Cleveland until an opportunity for some longer term active duty came along. And that longer term duty has been coming along pretty regularly ever since.

His first long stretch of active duty found him serving at the D9 Vessel Documentation Office.



PSCM Tom Stoicoiu

Courtesy PSCM Tom Stoicoiu

There were two grades of Chief Petty Officer, permanent and acting. To achieve permanent status, the CPO had to take a written "professional examination." Following the CPO examination, a report of his effort was made to the convening authority, usually his commanding officer, and included the score of each subject.

The examination process was not easy. Considering the basic level of education was about the fourth grade, some of these men had a difficult time with the examination. Age, literacy, citizenship, and character were as important as any other factor. The examination was also an assessment of personal character that was as important as technical skill. The character issue would play heavily in the coming years of Prohibition Enforcement (1919-33).

After 1968, CPOs became permanent without an additional examination or review. The relative difficulty of achieving Chief Petty Officer status created a needed layer of authority in the service that had not existed before. Although difficult, the qualifications could be waived for those with special skills.

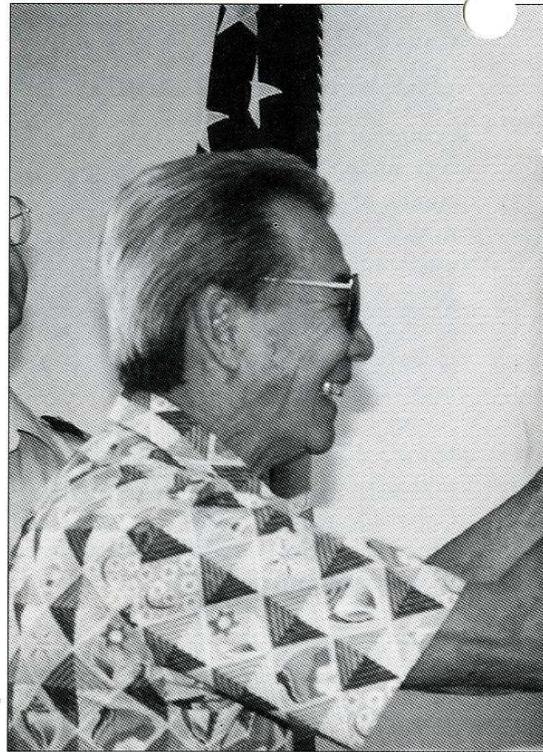
By 1922, the Coast Guard authorized 214 CPOs and allowed five percent of each cruising cutter crew to be CPOs. The CPO became the intermediary between the below decks personnel and the officer corps

including those enlisted in temporary positions.

Those in temporary enlisted status had no guarantee of a permanent position in the Coast Guard — including temporary CPOs. None had rights to retirement and could only join the regular Coast Guard after four years, provided they had exceptional records of service.

The importance of CPOs as leaders grew as the Coast Guard solidified itself as a military presence. This

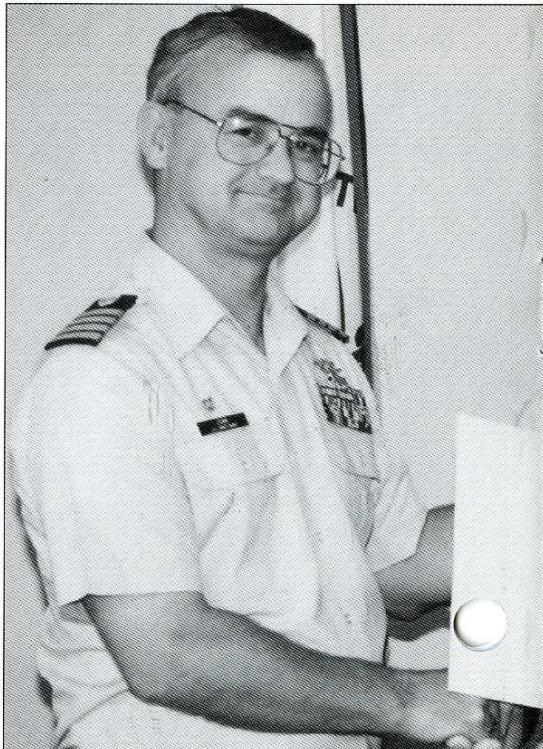
# Oh, Happy Day in D



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The day a Coast Guardsman makes Chi... Above, Coast Guard Reservist BM... gets his anchors tacked on by his... Fong's shoulders is a traditional Hawai... as a maile (pronounced "my'lee") lei.

Below: Reservist ETC Gary Redman rec... from his Commanding Officer, CAPT M...



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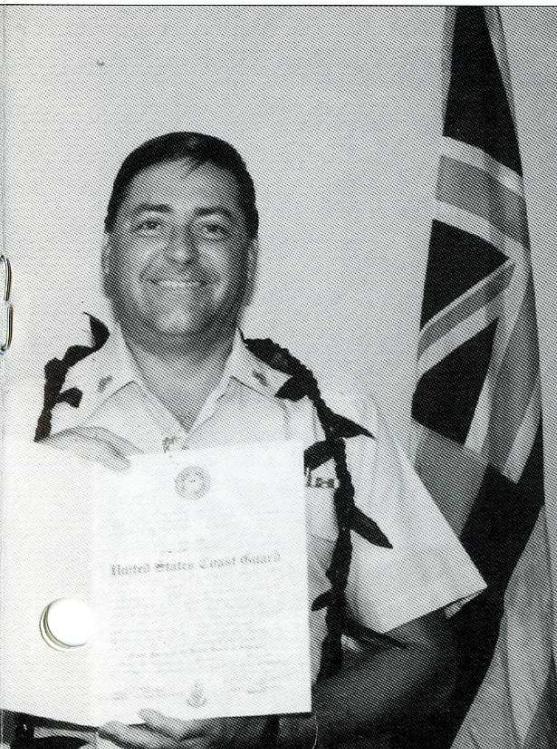
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# 14 for new Chiefs...



Chief is an important and memorable one. ... of Base Honolulu Operations during a May 1 ceremony. Draped over ... gesture of congratulations, known

... receives his maile lei and anchors May 1 ... Egan of Group Honolulu.



was especially important in the early 1920s. Following World War I, the Coast Guard's enlisted force was vastly lowered through discharge and desertions. To draw more applicants, the Coast Guard reduced its enlistment standards, most of whom were "mere boys, undeveloped and lacking the stature and endurance so necessary to perform properly the arduous work of the Coast Guard." These "mere boys" made the leadership, character, and experience of those early CPOs vital.

These dedicated and skilled CPOs became the service's strength during the lean years of the Great Depression. In 1933, the Coast Guard suffered a two million dollar shortfall in personnel funding for fiscal year 1934. It was a budget crisis that forced the reversion of 170 temporary warrant officers to enlisted status, the disrating of 560 CPOs, and the discharge of 1300 enlisted men. In late 1934, however, enlistments were again authorized.

After World War II began, advancements poured out of Washington for a variety of reasons. The greatest was need. Experienced men were scarce and the best use of them would be in leadership positions. In November 1941, the Coast Guard numbered about 18,000 officers and enlisted men but within a few months the number mushroomed.

Almost overnight, First Class Petty Officers became CPOs and CPOs became warrant and temporary commissioned officers. However, as quickly as they were advanced during the war years, they fell at war's end. Some CPOs had the option to revert to First or Second Class Petty Officer — or leave the service. The release of men from active and reserve duty in the Coast Guard set records to the

## Stoicoiu...

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He then found a spot in the port security units when they came into being in the mid 1980s. He was a key player in devising the deployment training for the PSUs and, in short order, put it to use. A PSU veteran of the Persian Gulf War, he earned the Navy Commendation Medal for devising emergency plans for chemical attacks.

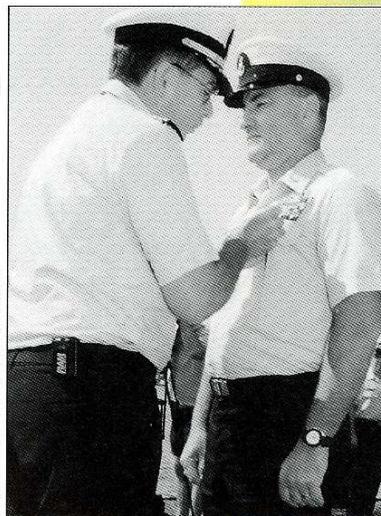
Stoicoiu, who earned a Commendation's Letter of Commendation for the lead out of PSUs 301 and 302 during the Haitian operations last year, is currently CEA for PSU 309 and the 9th District Risk Management Coordinator. His duties include coordination of visit by a nine-member team to conduct safety seminars at field units.

But as far as any transition from reservist to regular, no problem. Integration is something that the master chief did a long time ago — and he is willing to share his knowledge.

"There are a lot of us [Chiefs] out there that know the ropes," said Stoicoiu, "and we're still in the Reserve. We can help someone that's kind of lost in the shuffle, so seek us out and don't hesitate to ask. That's what teamwork is all about."

## Reserve SCPO receives CG Medal for Heroism

BMCS Joseph R. MacDonald, a reservist at Coast Guard Station Belle Isle, Mich. last year, received the Coast Guard Medal June 16, the highest Coast Guard award given for heroism not involving combat. MacDonald, the 245th recipient of the CG Medal since its establishment Aug. 4, 1949, was presented with the award by CAPT Carmond C. Fitzgerald, CO of Group Detroit at Station Belle Isle. A Detroit Police diver in civilian life, MacDonald saved the life of a four-year-old boy, while on Reserve duty. The boy was trapped underneath an overturned 18-foot pleasure craft, in the Detroit River, May 21, 1994. A two-page feature on MacDonald's heroic deed was published in the December 1994 *Reservist*.



PA3 Brodie S. Sadowski, D9(dpa)

BMCS MacDonald receives CG Medal from CAPT Fitzgerald.



# CPOA formation and reformation

In 1933, the Chief Petty Officers organized themselves into an association that would make their issues and concerns known to Coast Guard Headquarters. It was an effort of small groups gathered along district lines. They did not initially receive full endorsement from CGHQ. However, the Association went forward anyway and in December 1933, met at the War Memorial Building in Baltimore, Md. This meeting was described as "the most significant of any previous meeting in the affairs of CPOs and the real cornerstone of the organization was laid."



However, the actual establishment date was March 25, 1933, at the Coast Guard Depot at Curtis Bay, Md., which allowed Curtis Bay to lay claim to being the first CPOA chapter in the Coast Guard. They organized to "encourage fidelity, integrity to the Service, and better understanding and fellowship, and to advance the best interests of the enlisted personnel of the Coast Guard, especially of those associated as members of this organization, and to extend all possible relief to their widows and children; to foster the cultivation of military discipline and true allegiance to the United States of America...."

The framers of the CPO Constitution drew their constitutional ideal from the U.S. Constitution and adopted the motto "Ut Prosimus" meaning "That we may be of Service." Their were 29 charter members in March 1933.

The CPOA was re-founded in 1969 after being disbanded during World War II. ADM Willard J. Smith officially recognized CPOA on April 7, 1969. CPOA now has 60 chapters nationwide with approximately 10,000 members.

The CPOA 27th annual National Convention is slated for Aug. 20-25 in Corpus Christi, Texas. Contact: 1995 CPOA National Convention, Box 165, 302 N.A.S. Drive, Corpus Christi, TX 78418. If you are a Chief, active or reserve, and are interested in becoming a member of CPOA, write: CPOA, 5520-G Hempstead Way, Springfield, VA 22151. (703) 941-0395. (703) 941-0397 (FAX). Internet e-mail: CGCPOA@aol.com

bewilderment of those remaining in the service. The rapid discharges mirrored the post World War I period and came so quickly that some cutters left on post war patrols vastly undermanned or caused other cutters to be laid up.

By the war's end, the CPO had become a common fixture in the general picture of Coast Guard life. A positive aspect of the war is that it produced better technicians and gave the veterans a common base. The stress of war operations afforded a life time of practical experience.

The decade following the war were years marked by rebuilding and reevaluation for the CPOs. As Depression era/WWII personnel began leaving the Coast Guard, the next generation of CPOs emerged — the ocean station, ice breaker, ATON and LORAN sailors. The vast opportunities for sea duty in a larger and newer post-World War II Coast Guard fleet gave junior petty officers the time to better learn technical skills and leadership.

The next occurrence of significance for CPOs was the 1959 establishment of the so-called super grades of Senior and Master Chief Petty Officer. They were established because of a recognized need to enhance the promotional opportuni-

ties of enlisted personnel and to give these highly skilled men and women a greater, more determinative place in the service. They were to be the technical experts and capable of working far outside their occupational specialties.

In the 1960s and 1970s, the ordered and determined World War II generation that created the CPO ideal of faithfulness, dedication, and honesty had ironically given way to a generation of rebellion and mistrust. Authority figures were challenged throughout society, with a corresponding decline in military discipline — one of the primary factors that the 1930s CPOA wanted upheld.

During this time, the Coast Guard continued undergoing a major reorganization of its internal structure. Its greatest difficulty was in the calculation of where it would fit in the future. The Vietnam War years and a civil displeasure with all things military caused the Coast Guard to move further from its military attitude to a more publicly acceptable humanitarian image. Still, one CPO, Morris Sampson Beeson of Pitkins, La. and six other Coast Guardsmen died in Vietnam.

In September 1969, the position of Master Chief of the Coast Guard (E-10) was established. COMDINST



PAI Ed Kruska, USCGR

**CAPT Cecil W. Allison, left, swears in reservist MCPO Linda Reid, second from left, as President of the Washington, D.C. Chapter ("Capital Chiefs") of the CPOA at CGHQ May 11. To the right of Reid is MCPO Dick Wehn, Vice President; SCPO Mark Ripberger, standing in for Secretary SCPO Myles Shaw, and CPO Phyllis Owens. Reid is the first Reserve female Master Chief to become a CPOA Chapter President.**



# Ancient Mariner: From one Chief to another

**B** MCS Charles D. Buckley of *CGC Polar Sea* relieved BMCM Donald E. Urquhart of Group Lower Mississippi as the 5th Enlisted Ancient Mariner June 16 in Memphis, Tenn. Due to Buckley's inability to attend the formal ceremony, CDR Melville B. Guttormsen, the present officer Ancient Mariner, received the award on behalf of the enlisted Ancient Mariner. The ceremony, held on the Memphis waterfront, also marked Urquhart's retirement after having served over 40 years of service. The Enlisted Ancient Mariner plaque was placed aboard *CGC Osage* where it made its way from its homeport in Sewickley, Pa. to Memphis and was prominently displayed during the relief of the watch of the enlisted

Ancient Mariner. CDR Guttormsen presented Buckley with the Ancient Mariner award aboard *CGC Polar Sea* July 6, 1995.

The Ancient Mariner Award recognizes the officer and enlisted person with the earliest date of permanent entitlement to the Cutterman Insignia and requires a minimum of 10 years sea duty. The Ancient Mariner is charged with keeping a close watch to ensure the sea-service tradition is continued and that the time-honored reputation of the Coast Guard is maintained.

### The Ancient Mariners (Enlisted)

- 1995 BMCS Charles D. Buckley
- 1990 BMCM Donald E. Urquhart
- 1989 QMC Frank Albright, Jr.
- 1988 HSCM Clarence Sheffield
- 1980 QMCM Clarence E. Dowden

leaders, managers, advisers, and educators...to better enable them to fulfill their responsibilities...." On Jan. 1, 1989, attendance to the academy became required of all Senior Chiefs selected for Master Chief. The

Academy's motto is "Altus Tendo" (I reach higher).

By July 1992, 20 classes and 500 men and women had attended this "professional military education" course at TRACEN Petaluma, Calif. The first CPO Academy class adapted for reservists graduated in December 1993.

**T**he Coast Guard Chief Petty Officer is required to learn and adapt to whatever philosophy that may be in vogue. This flexibility is a reason why the idea of a CPO could only have been developed in a time of

technological change. The complexity of contemporary military life requires an enlisted master technician and leader that was not needed in previous centuries.

The CPO will continue to grow in importance both as a technician and as the cultural corner stone of the service. Even though a 20th century phenomenon, the CPO must be the first in the Coast Guard to remember, understand, teach, and foster the Coast Guard's history and traditions. In the 1830s, a popular phrase for a public vessel that continuously performed outstanding service to the United States was "Semper Paratus." It is this tradition of service that the CPOs will continue to give to the U.S. and the Coast Guard into the next century. It is the purpose of the CPO to prepare the next generation of leaders by remembering the previous generation and to be always ready to serve.



## MCPO-CGs (E-10s)

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

## CGR Command Enlisted Advisors

MCPO William C. Phillips.....	1994-
MCPO Forrest W. Croom.....	1991-94

1223.6, dated May 6, 1969, announced the establishment of this senior enlisted advisor's billet in the Commandant's personal staff. It stated that "He will hold the military enlisted grade of master chief petty officer and shall take precedence over all other enlisted members of the Coast Guard while serving in this position...."

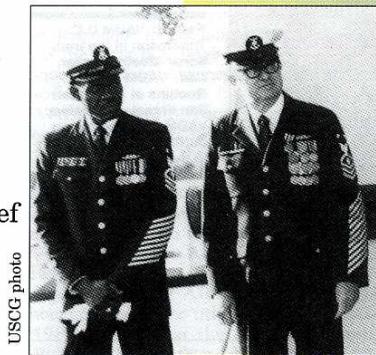
The current MCPO-CG, Eric A. Trent, is the seventh to serve. He initially entered as a CG Reservist in 1963 before deciding to make the Coast Guard a career and integrating to active duty.

When the Coast Guard changed uniform styles in the mid-1970s, an important service tradition was lost. That separation was far more profound for the enlisted corps than the officers. While officers only changed uniform color, enlisted changed styles that had separated the CPO in more than just clothing but in attitude. Gaining "the hat" and "the suit" were the symbols of the CPO, and were major incentives for the junior enlisted population.

In the mid-70s, E8 and E9 ranks were opened up to the Reserve for the first time.

Sea duty, even for aviation ratings, was the core element that trained future CPOs. However, for some ratings, the sea duty requirement to advance to CPO was eliminated. Though there was no evidence that sea duty produced better CPOs, it did provide a basis of commonality within the service.

It became apparent in the early 1980s that the lack of general service sea duty was adversely affecting the CPO corps. Chiefs were far more technically competent than many of their predecessors, but many lacked the interactive knowledge that came with shipboard life. To fill the place of that sea duty, a training course was developed for CPOs. In 1982, the CPO Academy was developed to "provide our CPOs with a more thorough understanding of their roles as



**HSCM Clarence Sheffield, left, relieved first Enlisted Ancient Mariner QMCM Clarence Dowden in 1988.**

## D2's Monk wins national Reserve EPOY award

**HS2 Craig E. Monk** of the 2nd District is the winner of the 1995 national Coast Guard Reserve Person of the Year (EPOY) Award. Both Monk and **BM2 Janette S. Corneck** of D8, the Coast Guard's Active Service EPOY winner, were recognized during ceremonies at Fort Myer, Va. Aug. 3. He will also be recognized at the Naval Enlisted Reserve Association's annual convention, this year scheduled for Tacoma, Wash. Oct. 25-28.

Monk, 36, a member of RU Denver and a Lakewood, Colo. resident, was selected for the national EPOY award from among nine District/HQ Command nominees (see box below). A CG Reservist since 1988, he was previously selected as RU Denver's Enlisted Person of the Year in 1992.

A nationally registered paramedic, Monk served during the Persian Gulf War with a PSU replacement unit at Camp Blanding, Fla. in 1991, the Midwest floods in 1993, and during last year's Haitian and Cuban Crisis, when he performed med-



*HS2 Craig E. Monk, right, put his HS skills to work aboard several CG Cutters during last year's Haitian/Cuban Operations.*

ical screenings of over 275 migrants aboard *CGC Thetis*. He also served aboard *CGC Gallatin*, reviewing over 100 health records of crew members. When *CGC Bittersweet's* HS required emergency leave, Monk willingly went aboard for 10 days.

His awards include two Commandant Letters of Commendation, Unit Commendation, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Meritorious Team Commendation, two Reserve Good Conduct medals, Humanitarian Service medal, Special Operations Service.

The EPOY Award, formerly known as the NERA Outstanding Enlisted Reservist Award, was streamlined this past year. Selections are now made through the MCPO-CG office at Headquarter and the national winner is advanced a pay grade if not advanced within the last promotion cycle. ALCOAST 054/95 announced the winners of this year's award. Award criteria was listed in COMDTINST 1650.36 and ALCOAST 004/95.

Photo courtesy HS2 Craig E. Monk, USCGR

### District / Area EPOY Nominees\*

District/Area	Active	Reserve
LANT AREA	YN1 Lane A. Solak	No Submission
PACAREA	BM3 Kenneth Poole	No Submission
1st District	BM1 Michael J. Daponte	PS1 Gerilyn Bosse
2nd District	MST2 Jude B. Bendt	<b>HS2 Craig E. Monk</b>
5th District	YN1 Tamera L. Hall	ET2 Joseph M. Bowers
7th District	MST3 Brian G. Knapp	BM1 Charles H. Turner
8th District	<b>BM2 Janette S. Corneck</b>	BM1 Matthew Varhaug
9th District	HS1 Cheryl Baur	No Submission
11th District	MST1 Timothy L. Hagerman	DC1 Charles Ferguson
13th District	QM1 Peter S. Niles	BM2 Ronald V. Hongell
14th District	BM1 Kevin S. Painter	BM2 David Barrett
17th District	DC1 Michael J. Schwemley	No Submission
HQ Commands	YN1 Christina M. Wimmersberg	PA1 Edward J. Kruska

\* Each District/Area/HQ Command winner was considered for the national EPOY award. Bolded names represent national winners, one for both Active Service and Reserve.

### National Reserve EPOY Award Winners\*

1995	<b>HS2 Craig E. Monk</b>
1994	DC1 Ovid D. Harris
1993	BM2 Steven Cochran
1992	PS2 Michael E. Ragan
1991	FS3 Donald M. Caillier
1990	DC1 Vernon E. Watkins, Jr.
1989	YN2 Thomas R. Kaufman
1988	BM1 L. Todd Reed
1987	MK1 Dennis F. Kelleher
1986	PS1 Johannes Verhaeg
1985	PS1 Maxine M. Cavanaugh
1984	BM2 Lisa B. Milone

\* The Reserve EPOY Award was streamlined in 1995. It's former name was the NERA Outstanding Enlisted CG Reservist Award.

## Medals & Awards

### Coast Guard Medal

BMCS Joseph R. MacDonald, D9\*

\* See photo in cover story section

### Meritorious Service Medal

BM1 Matthew Varhaug, D8

### Coast Guard Commendation Medal

CAPT George Mehaffy, D8

CDR Robert B. Wilson, D13

LCDR Walter Robnett, D8

### Coast Guard Achievement Medal

SKCM Daniel A. Smith, D5

### Commandant's Letter of Commendation

SKCS Thomas H. Kelly, III, D5

BMCS James A. Ludwig, D5

BMC Herman P. Kaiser, D5

SKC Patricia A. Babajko, D1

PSC Gary A. Foote, D1

DP1 George E. Gray, D7

SS1 Bruce M. Note, D5

### CG Meritorious Team Commendation

PSC Johannes Verhaeg, D1

### Cutterman's Insignias

CWO T. McLaughlin, CGC Vigorous

BM1 J. Schaller, CGC Vigorous

DC2 D. Miller, CGC Vigorous

DC2 R. Beaulieu, CGC Vigorous

EM2 G. Watkins, CGC Vigorous

MK1 M. White, CGC Vigorous

MKC G. Deitrich, CGC Vigorous

LT R. Eastburn, CGC Hornbeam

BM1 T. Don, CGC Hornbeam

MK2 W. Whalen, CGC Hornbeam

MKC J. Harkness, CGC Hornbeam

QM1 T. Marti, CGC Red Oak

QMC T. Dennis, CGC Red Oak

QMCS M. Miller, CGC Red Oak

RD1 R. Bazis, CGC Matinicus

BM1 G. Gadsby, CGC Pt. Batan

PS2 R. Matrynka, CGC Point Batan

## Taps

■ **CAPT Donald G. Kneip**, USCGR(Ret.), 65, passed away Dec. 13, 1994, in Gig Harbor, Wash. CAPT Kneip served in the Marine Corps in WWII and then in the Coast Guard from 1964 until his retirement in 1981. He served in Vietnam, as a Reserve Program Administrator, and his last assignment was as Chief, Reserve Division, 13th District. CAPT Kneip is survived by his wife, Bianca, of Gig Harbor, Wash., a daughter, Lori Parkhill of Mechanicsburg, Pa. and four grandchildren. A memorial service was held Dec. 17, 1994 in Tacoma, Wash. Interment March 29, 1995, at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va. with full military

■ **CAPT Harold Raymond Cotton**, USCGR(Ret.), 79, died March 7, 1995, at his home in Jupiter, Fla. Born in Phillipston, Mass., he received his Bachelor of Arts at Tulsculum College, Greenville, Tenn. and his Bachelor of Law at the University of Virginia in 1942. He was commissioned an Ensign Dec. 22, 1942. A Coast Guard Reservist for 30 years, CAPT Cotton served during the Korean Conflict and at CG Headquarters as Deputy Chief for Reserve in 1963 and as Chief of the Reserve Division, 7th CG District, before his retirement on Jan. 29, 1972. He assisted in establishing the prototype of the present Reserve training program. As a civilian, he practiced law in Miami and Coral Gables, Fla. He was preceded in death by his wife of 51 years, Evelyn McKenna Cotton on March 22, 1994. He is survived by his son, William J. Taylor, daughter Kerry Cotton Wells, of Tequesta, Fla., and daughter Janice T. Davison of Jupiter, 17 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren, plus numerous nieces and nephews. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Friday, March 10, 1995 at St. Peter Catholic Church in Jupiter followed by interment at Riverside Memorial Park with military honors.

■ **BMC James H. Schmidt**, USCGR, 53, passed away May 8, 1995, in his home in Jacksonville, Fla. A Meadville, Pa. native, he served on active duty from 1960-64, aboard *CGC Sweetgum*, and at Sand Island Base, Honolulu, Hawaii. In 1980, BMC Schmidt joined the CGR where he worked at MSO Jacksonville and Base Mayport as a Special Agent, CG Intelligence. Schmidt earned a degree from Florida Junior College in Police Science and worked as a police officer for Jacksonville Duval County from 1966-1975. From 1975 to the present, he worked with the Florida Marine Patrol as a Homicide Investigator. He is survived by a cousin, Patricia Honan, Meadville, Pa. A memorial service was held at Hardage-Giddens Funeral Home in Jacksonville. Interment was in Meadville, Pa. on May 15, 1995, Police Memorial Day, where Crawford County, Pa., remembered their lost son in law enforcement.

## Retirements

### MARCH 1995

BMCM Emanuel Y. Fry, D7\*

PS1 William T. George, D11\*

PS1 Phillip D. Shropshire, D7\*\*

### APRIL 1995

PSC Robert N. Andersen, D11\*

### MAY 1995

YNM John R. Beatty, D7\*

### JUNE 1995

CDR Paul W. Rabuck, D8\*\*

CDR Robert W. Rummell, D1\*\*

CDR Calvin P. Ogburn, D7\*

LCDR Charles W. Johnson, D1\*\*

LCDR Charles B. Wood, D2\*

CWO3 William A. Reynolds, D9\*\*

IVCM Larry L. Michalscheck, D8\*\*

BMCS Thomas W. McLaughlin, D1\*\*

PSC Jimmie Dye, D5\*\*

PSC Richard C. Georg, D8\*

MKC John P. Heyde, D1\*

MK1 Moses C. White, D8\*

PS1 Ronnie L. Brown, D5\*\*

SK1 Jack J. Jones, D8\*\*

BM2 Barbara J. Hoepner, D11\*

MK2 Alfred B. Dew, D5\*

EM2 John E. Schenck, D8\*

### JULY 1995

CAPT Thomas E. Sims, III, D1\*\*

CAPT Bruce M. Patterson, D11\*\*

CDR Archie T. Smith, D5\*\*

CDR Mark E. Goldman, D1\*\*

LCDR John L. Bagg, D5\*\*

LCDR Paul B. Gansle, D1\*\*

LCDR David A. Linth, D13\*\*

LT William L. Griffith, D13\*\*

LT George W. Wood III, D11\*\*

LT George R. Brungot, D5\*\*

LT Robert H. McFaden, D11\*\*

CWO4 Thomas A. Phillips, D5\*\*

CWO4 Larry L. Willard, D7\*\*

CWO4 Fred B. Hellyer, D11\*\*

CWO3 Stephen W. Corcoran, D7\*\*

ETCM Edward H. Huestis, D11\*\*

YNCS Dan W. Wade, D5\*\*

BMC Allen J. Sanchez, D8\*\*

YNC Joseph L. Blewer, D7\*\*

EMC Richard S. Sipos, D7\*\*

MK1 Ted H. Conway, D5\*\*

MK1 Robert S. Kiel, D5\*\*

### AUGUST 1995

CAPT James F. Audley, Jr., D1\*\*

BM2 Jerry C. Cox, D7\*\*

\* *RET-1 (Retired With Pay)*

\*\* *RET-2 (Retired Awaiting Pay)*

## SHIPMATES ROLL CALL

The Corpus Christi Chapter of the USCG Chief Petty Officers Association invites **ALL HANDS** from Seamen to Admirals to become listed in its National CPOA Convention Roster Roll Call. You do not have to be a member of CPOA to sign up! There is no cost to be listed but donations are appreciated. However, each \$5 donation will be entered in a drawing to be held during the CPOA National Convention in Corpus Christ Aug. 20-25. The grand prize is a Mark I Model "N" 4-inch small boat compass. It was built in 1942 by Lionel Corp. in N.Y. and has been donated by a combat vet in the name of CG Medal of Honor recipient Signalman First Class Douglas A. Munro.

To be listed in the Roster, please send your name, address, city, state, zip (mailing label appreciated) to: Roll Call Roster, P.O. Box 18-1118, Corpus Christi, TX 78480-1118. ATTN: MCPO Walt Gorr. Donations in the form of checks may be made out to: CPOA Corpus Christ Chapter.

## OLYMPICS '96 COUNTDOWN SCOREBOARD



Months to Go Until The Games Begin in Atlanta.

## Upcoming Events

- **Chief Petty Officers Association** — 27th annual National Convention, Aug. 20-25, 1995 in Corpus Christi, Texas. Contact: 1995 CPOA National Convention, Box 165, 302 N.A.S. Drive, Corpus Christi, TX 78418.
- **Coast Guard Festival** — Grand Haven, Mich, also known as "Coast Guard City, USA" invites all Coast Guard men and women, past and present, to the annual festivities, July 28-Aug. 6, 1995. Parade and fireworks set for Aug. 5. Contact: Coast Guard Festival, Inc., P.O. Box 694, Grand Haven, Mich. 49417. (616) 846-5940.
- **Naval Enlisted Reserve Association (NERA)**, annual convention in Tacoma, Wash., Oct. 25-28, 1995. Contact NERA at 6703 Farragut Avenue, Falls Church, VA 22042-2189. (703) 534-1329. FAX (703) 534-3617.

## Reunions...

- **CGRU Cincinnati** — Former RU and MSO Cincinnati members, Aug. 12, 1995 reunion and awards dinner cruise aboard M/V Queen City Clipper in Cincinnati. Contact: MKCS John Warfield, RU Cincinnati, 1776 Hillstation Road, Goshen, OH 45122. (513) 722-2772.
- **Coast Guard Retired Veterans** — Nov. 7-10, 1995 at Radisson Inn, Oklahoma City, Okla. Includes tour of Cowboy Hall of Fame, Remington Park and Planetarium (for \$75 fee). Reservations by Oct. 23 to: Ray Lovejoy, Box 66, Frederick, OK 73542. (405) 335-5824.
- **Greenland Patrol** — Third annual reunion, all 47 USCG ships and 3 Navy ships, CG PBYS and CG Bases, 1940-45, WWII. Corpus Christi Sheraton Bayfront Hotel, Corpus Christi, Texas, Oct. 10-14, 1995. Contact: Albert F. Courter, Jr., (813) 856-7387 or John St. Stamford, (516) 223-1467.
- **Korean War Veterans** — First annual, Oct. 16-18, 1995 in Virginia Beach, Va. Contact: Korean War Veterans Reunion, 808 Oldham Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23464. ATTN: R. Gallmeyer or call Mr. Dick Kinsley at 1-800-822-3224.
- **Medium Endurance Cutters** — Including *CGCs Escape, Acushnet, Yocona, Ute, Lipan, Chilula, Cherokee, and Tamaroa*. Reunion planned Sept. 14-17, Pensacola, Fla. Contact: George Kingston, 1611 Woodbridge Circle, East, Foley, AL 36535-2267.
- **National Association of Fleet Tug Sailors** — Navy and Coast Guard tug sailors, sixth annual reunion, Pensacola, Fla., Sept. 13-17, 1995. Contact: George Kingston, 1611 Woodbridge Circle, East, Foley, Ala. 36535-2267. (205) 943-7823.
- **RTC Yorktown** — All former Yorktowners are invited to the 6th annual reunion Oct. 20-22, 1995 at RTC Yorktown, Va. Contact: Tom Travers, 998 Ridgewood Lane, West Chester, PA 19382. (610) 436-0181.
- **USCGC Duane Association** — Oct. 20-22, 1995 Heritage House Hotel, 259 Maine Street, Hyannis, MA 02601. 1-800-352-7189. Contact: USCGC Duane Assn., c/o Ronald C. Golec, Tory Hill Road, Alstead, NH 03602. (603) 835-6009.
- **USS Saratoga (CV3, CVA60, CV60)** — "Rooster Booster Club" reunion, Oct. 12-15, 1995, in San Antonio, Texas. Call (702) 656-1776.
- **USS Vesuvius (AE-75)** — WWII crew, Oct. 16-18, 1995 in Las Vegas, Nev. Contact: Alan C. Moore, 2215 Land Harbor, Newland, NC 28657. (704) 733-8863.
- **USS Callaway (APA-35)** — 29th reunion, Sept. 12-14, 1995, at Best Western Motel in Mystic, Conn. Contact R.L. Stambach, 4283-B Island Circle, Fort Myers, FL 33919-4427. (813) 481-0359.
- **USS Champlin (DD-601)** — Oct. 11-14, 1995 in Lancaster, Pa. Contact George Styles, 45 Oak Avenue, Smithtown, NY. 11787. (516) 265-2155.

## ALDISTs / ALCOASTs / COMDTINSTs

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CY1994 Commandant's Quality Award Selections .....	ALCOAST	067/95
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Standard Workstation III Award, Sitrep One .....	ALCOAST	059/95
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Readiness Division Dissolution .....	ALLCOGARDSEVEN	054/95
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## Giving credit where credit is due...

Our June 1995 cover photo was taken by PA3 Paula Tomaselli of D8 Public Affairs, not PA3 Taylor Johnson as previously reported. We regret the error.

## Nationwide TEMAC/SADT/EAD\*

As of 7/15/95

Place	Duration	Rate/Rank	Quals	Point of Contact
MLCLANT (Governors Island, NY)	TEMAC (FTE-14 days)	O4 and below	Mil. Justice, Admin. Investig. Ethics etc.	CDR Seidler, (212) 668-7140
LORSTA Shoal Cove, Alaska	TEMAC (45 days)	EMC, ETC	Experienced electricians	LTJG Wessel, (907) 463-2253
Finance Center, Chesapeake, Va.	TEMAC (49-139 days)	SK1-SSC/CWO (F&S)	Supply Funds Store Statements	Ms. Lomanno, (804) 523-6820
CGHQ (G-RSM-3); Washington, D.C.	SADT (thru FY95)	YN/SK(E4-E6) (6 total)	Complete data base for Reserve retirement points	LT Sewell, (202) 267-0551

\* For SADT/TEMAC positions, members need an endorsement from his/her augmented active command (see ALDIST 020/95)

\*\* For those advertising TEMAC/SADT/EAD openings, please contact PO Ross at (202) 267-0548 or G-RSM-1 at 1-800-283-8724 if positions are filled or changes to the information are desired.

# On Deck

By MCPO William C. Phillips

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Coast Guard Reserve



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**T**wenty-six years ago I joined the U.S. Coast Guard in Portland, Ore. As a youth growing up there, I recall Rose Festival week in June each year. During the festival, lots of ships came up river and it seemed like thousands of sailors were walking around downtown Portland. U.S. Navy, U.S. Coast Guard, and foreign vessels were open for tours; it seemed that half the city would go down to the sea wall and tour many of the ships. I remember going through a sub — that was great fun.

My father was in the Coast Guard and my uncle was in the Navy, so I did hear stories which I am sure influenced my decision to join the Coast Guard. Once I did enlist, I thought the first few chief petty officers I had contact with, as a young sailor, were going to eat me alive. I also still remember the master chief that was my school chief on Governors Island, N.Y. I always thought that those khakis the chiefs wore were really the thing.

As I moved along in my career, I had the wonderful experience of working with and observing a few outstanding CPOs. On Loran Station Iwo Jima (1971-1972), I

watched a BMC in charge of the Deck Force stand up for what he believed was right. I am thankful for being in the unit with him as he mentored by example. He also always took time to allow people to talk to him.

When I returned to the Pacific Northwest, I was assigned to an 82-footer. The OinC and EO on our cutter were chiefs, and again, I really was impressed by those chiefs uni-

forms. Well, the chiefs on the 82-footer were very salty, and I saw the responsibility that was given to chief petty officers.

As I was making chief, I had a BMCS in Portland who showed me the ropes, and I was able to honor him at his retirement several years later.

What I have come to learn is that becoming a chief is a great honor and being a chief is the most important job anyone could have.

I know that the Coast Guard is small and that the chiefs corps is very small also. To illustrate our size, in 1979, I was initiated into the chiefs ranks at the Chiefs Hut in Petaluma, Calif. The sheriff at that procedure was my predecessor, YNCS Forrest Croom. I did not realize this information until recently when reminiscing with him. It truly is a small service and Chief's Corps.

I serve with great pride as a master chief petty officer and I am looking forward to working with and mentoring the folks that are entering the chiefs' arena.

Always remember, the job is both very challenging and rewarding. When you pin those anchors on, you are the chief so take care of your people.

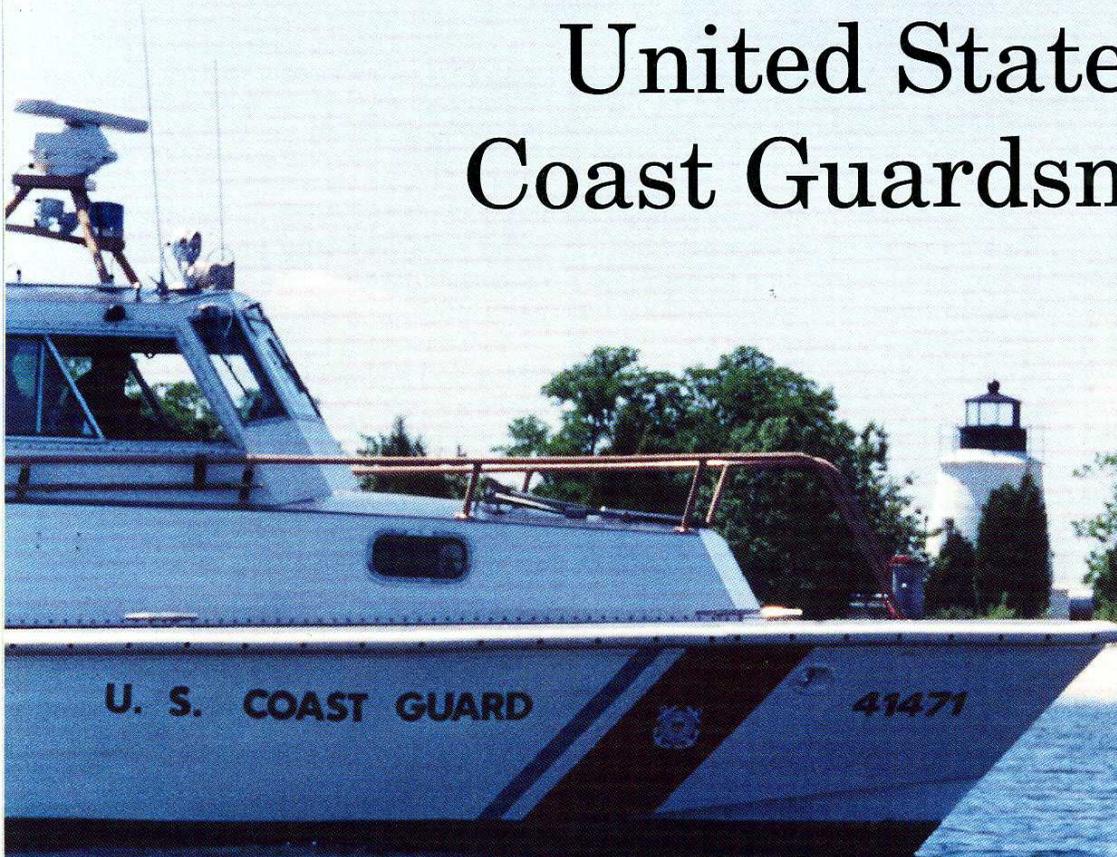


*A Coast Guard Chief Petty Officer, wearing the distinctive CPO khaki uniform, points out a defective wire rope to the chief mate of a merchant vessel. In 1976, the khaki uniform, along with the other Navy-style uniforms, were replaced by the CG-style still in use today.*

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# Creed of the United States Coast Guardsman



*I am proud to be a United States Coast Guardsman.*

*I revere that long line of expert seamen who, by their devotion to duty and sacrifice of self, have made it possible for me to be a member of a service honored and respected, in peace and in war, throughout the world.*

*I never, by work or deed, will bring reproach upon the fair name of my Service, nor permit others to do so unchallenged.*

*I will cheerfully and willingly obey all lawful orders.*

*I will always be on time to relieve, and shall endeavor to do more, rather than less, than my share.*

*I shall always be at my station, alert and attending to my duties.*

*I shall, so far as I am able, bring to my seniors solutions, not problems.*

*I shall live joyously, but always with due regard for the rights and privileges of others.*

*I shall endeavor to be a model citizen in the community in which I live.*

*I shall sell life dearly to an enemy of my country, but give it freely to rescue those in peril.*

*With God's help, I shall endeavor to be one of His noblest Works...*

**A UNITED STATES COAST GUARDSMAN**