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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

CWO2 Ed Kruska, USCGR

CDR Chuck Polk, CDR Doug Sheehan, USCGR(ret.), Douglas Munro's nephew and CDR Erin Brogan at Coast Guard Headquarters.

The U.S. Coast Guard turned 212 years old Aug. 4. Of course you remember from your school days that 212 is the Fahrenheit temperature at which water boils. I liken our Coast Guard to being at the boiling point as well — at 212, we're undergoing a period of transition, change and adjustment.

Just think of the events that have transpired in our Coast Guard in the last year since Sept. 11, 2001. More reservists are on active duty than at any time since World War II. The PSU community has been called upon heavily with INCONUS and OCONUS deployments. Marine Safety & Security Teams (MSSTs) are being organized and some have already been commissioned. The Sea Marshals program was also formed in response to 9-11, and the Coast Guard's proposed move to a new Department of Homeland Security was announced by President Bush earlier this summer. Our recruiting initiatives have taken center stage as evidenced by our last special issue devoted entirely to recruiting.

Other changes were scheduled. We have a new Commandant in ADM Thomas Collins and a new Master Chief of the Coast Guard will be named by mid-September. RADM(Sel.) Robert J. Papp, Jr. has been named the new Director of Reserve & Training. The Coast Guard's Deepwater contract, a long-term plan to update our fleet for the 21st century, was also awarded earlier this summer.

One of the interesting things about my job is you never know who you'll meet, talk to or get an e-mail from during the course of any given day. In mid-July, I had the pleasure of meeting CDR Doug Sheehan, USCGR(Ret.). CDR Sheehan is the nephew of Douglas Munro, our Coast Guard's only Medal of Honor recipient. Douglas Munro Day is Sept. 27, and this year it holds special significance for Coast Guard Reservists. On that day, TRACEN Cape May will be dedicating a memorial plaque and renaming the REBI classroom and lounge to honor our reservists who paid the ultimate sacrifice on Sept. 11 — MK1 Jeffrey Palazzo and PS2 Vincent Danz.

Yes, our Coast Guard is indeed at the boiling point — lots going on, lots of transitions, loads of changes. Transition and change can be painful, but we can expect an exciting new course for our service full of adventure and opportunity.

—ED.

MCPOCG Calhoun

I am writing in regards to the article on MCPO Calhoun, in the April/May 2002 issue. The article adequately articulated his career and life. However, I was disappointed at the lack of photos showing the men and women in uniform whom, with great honor and pride, served as a funeral detail in honor of this great man. Yes, the Honor Guard had a nice close up on the back cover, and a few other photos were selected for publication, but my expectations were not quite met.

You see, I was one of the 36 recruits from TRACEN Cape May, N.J. that served as an escort with the members from the Honor Guard. I stood proudly at attention in the humid Maryland heat for an hour and a half. Do not mistake me, I've never done anything of which I am more proud, but I was led to believe that this would be a highly publicized event, which it was to an extent. I distinctly remember many a photographer snapping off shots left and right.

Now I have been out of training for several months, and I love it, but nothing adequately caps off the tireless hours of training and preparation of recruit training than the honor we had in serving as representatives of the Coast Guard's future. Semper Paratus.

— SN Dana A. Enstad
USCG Station Port Huron, Mich.

The First Salute

The article in the January-March 2002 issue, "My First Salute Opened A Door," really is true and really hits home. At our Reserve unit in Akron, Ohio, we would get many Reserve officers just out of OCS. Many times I would be standing on the quarterdeck as MAA and give the new officers their first salute. I would hold my hand out and many of them didn't even know about the dollar. I have never received a silver dollar. We would have enlisted men make warrant or ensign and they didn't know about the dollar. I taught many officers in our unit the ropes. They would come to me or one of the other chiefs to make sure they were doing the right thing. The chiefs are the backbone of the Coast Guard and Navy.

— EMC R.A. Lott, USCGR(ret.), USCG Aux.
Akron, Ohio

Department of Homeland Security

The following comments are my reactions and thoughts on the pending transfer of the U.S. Coast Guard (CG) into the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). These are my personal views and do not necessarily reflect those of the Coast Guard or the Coast Guard Reserve (CGR).

The move to DHS could be very good for the Coast Guard. Since 1967, many in the Coast Guard have felt uncomfortable in DOT which has little in common with the CG's military, law enforcement, or regulatory characteristics. The record since 1967 shows CG missions and demands on the service increased while the needed financial support seemed lacking. For example, there are approximately the same number of people in the CG today as in 1967 trying to keep up with growing operational demands. Cutbacks in operations became necessary at various times and CG personnel safety issues have been stretched to dangerous levels. Whether this historical short funding of the Coast Guard is due to DOT or the Coast Guard itself could be debated. While all government services have legal limitations in obtaining better funding, there are methods used by other agencies and military services that could be emulated by the CG. These include, but are not limited to, improved public relations, marketing, vision, comprehensive planning, and the coordinated help of Coast Guard friends both as individuals and organizations. Despite the optimism for the move, support in the DHS is not guaranteed. As long as the threats to and visibility of our ports and waterways remain in the public's attention, the CG should do fairly well. The CG project "Deepwater" is a long-term equipment acquisition program that will address only some of the port security needs and will take a projected 20 years to accomplish. We who have participated in and observed the CG over many decades believe that more comprehensive planning is needed to adequately address other long-range CG requirements, organization, and a visionary outlook for its entire family of members, including its military Reserve and civilian Auxiliary.

Should the CG under DHS change its Reserve structure to a more military responsive force focused on port security? Nothing disastrous has happened yet in the maritime or port environment although there has been significant discussion about threats involving cargo containers, explosives at waterway bridges, water treatment plants, refinery protection, etc. However, there was discussion about terrorist threats before 9/11. Now, a year after 9/11, talk continues while the urgent time frame requires action as well as strategy, planning, equipment, personnel, sustainability, and funding.

We are facing an asymmetrical threat and the solutions may have to be asymmetrical as well. We as a nation have relearned that intelligence gathering, analysis, and proper dissemination are fundamental to any security plan. The use of modern electronics, passive measures, personnel safety, and total awareness are now being taught by security leaders. The Coast Guard is in the middle and in some cases even at the forefront of this process. How the CG uses its Reserve could be a defining element in this response. Because a Reserve force can be perceived as an asymmetrical response, the military cannot simply activate all of its Reserve to respond to this type of threat. For the Coast Guard, a modified port security plan is needed to address these issues.

The focus and urgency of DHS cannot alone produce a more security conscious and military CG. While we may have grown fond of the various missions that the CG valiantly performs each day, we may witness some

missions delegated to other departments or government agencies. Environmental response and pleasure craft SAR could fade or become lower priority. The president has stated that we are at war. We all must respond and prioritize efforts to better prepare ourselves for necessary changes. The CG and its Reserve cannot continue to do business in the old way and must accelerate necessary changes before a maritime-based 9/11 event strikes.

— CAPT Joseph F. Manfreda, USCGR(Ret.)
Chicago, Ill.

Opportunities for Reservists at TSA

With the release from active duty of many reservists from Title 10 recall, members are transitioning back to their civilian careers. In conversation with several RELADs, a fair number either do not have jobs to go back to or are actively seeking better employment opportunities.

One such opportunity is with the Transportation Security Administration (TSA). Briefly, the security duties at our nations' airports are being turned over by civilian contract agencies to the federal government. The current civilian employees will all be transitioned out by November, the targeted deadline for the federalization of airport security. They must apply like everyone else for one of the 40,000 new positions.

Our members being released from Title 10 orders will be receiving DD214's and therefore have veterans preference in the hiring process, which is a huge advantage. And, members of the Coast Guard, with our law enforcement missions would be ideal candidates for these security-oriented jobs. The starting pay is from $23,000 plus to ,000 plus, depending on experience. Also, there is a pay locality rate, based on the local cost of living, along with a federal benefits package.

The process of bringing the 400 plus airports on line will be incremental, and the TSA Web site will post the current airports in which applications are being accepted. I would encourage you to pass this information on, perhaps including it in a Plan of the Month, bulletin board or at muster. We owe it to our people to see that they are taken care of to the best extent possible, not only as they exit from active duty, but as they enter back into the civilian workplace. The Transportation Security Administration Web site is: www.tsa.gov. Click onto TSA Job Postings. Thank you.

— MCPO Jim Connolly, USCGR
Reserve Command Master Chief
Coast Guard Pacific Area

Plugging our Coast Guard

I've been wanting to tell you how impressed I've been with the format and content of *The Reservist,* as well as the *Retiree Newsletter*. I've been teaching high school students since 1988. I take every opportunity to "plug" the Coast Guard in class and leave the mag with them. Keep up the good work!

— LCDR Rudolph R. Avila, USCGR(Ret.)
Houston, Texas

Ed's note: The magazine can be used as a great recruiting tool. Rather than throw out your copy, why not "recycle" it by giving it to a potential recruit. Also, the Retiree Newsletter, "Evening Colors" is published at HRSIC in Topeka, Kan. The editor is Mr. Ron Derrick, Phone: 785-339-3429; E-mail: rderrick@hrsic.uscg.mil

Soft Shoulder Boards?

Is the U.S. Coast Guard moving in the direction of the other branches of our armed forces and looking at using soft shoulder boards for E-7, E-8, and E-9? I understand a trial period was conducted some time ago, and I can see why it didn't pass if they were using the old style of USCG blue shirt. However, now that we switched to the USAF blue shirt, I think it would be a lot easier to use boards on the epaulets. It sure would be easier than trying to pin an anchor through a collar stay. Maybe the next uniform board could take up the challenge of looking into this question?

— CPO James W Harris, USCGR
Mechanicsburg, Pa.

Ed's note: According to Mr. Robert H. Gitschier, Chief, Uniform Clothing Section at Headquarters, the Coast Guard is not considering the use of soft shoulder boards for the Chief's corps. The Coast Guard does not use soft shoulder boards for officers; when they were tested for Chiefs (on the Air Force type shirts), they were not well accepted within the Chiefs' corps, so the idea was rejected. The Coast Guard does not plan to reconsider this idea in the near future.

Retirement Goodbyes

I recently retired with 23 years military time, (21 years USCGR) and 30 years experience in the police department. Of course, I will have some regrets, not about retiring, but about missing my friends who I leave behind but certainly never to be forgotten. This note is directed to everyone I worked with and for during the last 21 years. I salute you all and thank you all for your efforts. God bless you all.

— MSTC James R. Cash, USCGR (Ret.)
Staten Island, N.Y.

After completing 27 years of service, I retired from the United States Coast Guard Reserve on June 30, 2002. I have considered it a true privilege to serve with the most outstanding men and women in service of our country in the United States Coast Guard.

I look back on my Coast Guard career and am amazed at how short a time it seems to have been. The trip from entering boot camp to being the coxswain involved in rescue, law enforcement, and national defense missions to obtaining a commission as an officer and being in charge of numerous missions, including my assignments in response to the attacks on Sept. 11, 2001, could only have happened in the Coast Guard.

I sincerely hope that I have made a difference in the service of my country, that I have been a positive mentor to other's careers in the Coast Guard, and that like those who've inspired me, I won't be forgotten too soon.

To those of you continuing on, thank you. Your patriotism, dedication, ingenuity, and attitude toward overcoming adversity make me, as a Coastie and an American, proud of you. Wherever your career takes you, remember that we served together.

I wish you all fair winds and following seas. Semper Paratus!

— LCDR Kurt B. Jahnke, USCGR(Ret.)
Warrenton, Ore.

LEADERSHIP IN THE NEW COAST GUARD

I have sworn upon the altar of God, eternal hostility against every form of tyranny over the mind of man.
— Thomas Jefferson, Nov. 23, 1800

It is June 1, 2002, and I am sitting in a 747 flying back to Las Vegas. I am returning from two historic cities, Williamsburg, Va. and our Nation's Capital. As is the custom, the Commandant hosted his annual spring Flag/SES Conference. Although an annual event, this year holds special meaning and is of significant importance as we bid fair winds and following seas to many of the leaders who have charted our course into the waters of transformation.

ADM James M. Loy passed the responsibility for the United States Coast Guard to ADM Thomas H. Collins, our 22nd Commandant. ADM Loy has certainly left his imprimatur on every facet of our organization and in the hearts of its members.

A final message to Admiral Loy....

We are *enormously* proud of the man, the leader and the friend we found in you....

It is now time for us to give our unwavering support and loyalty to ADM Collins as he pursues his strategic objectives during the next four years. *Commandant's Direction 2002* focuses on three major areas: Readiness, People and Stewardship. I would like to focus my comments on one aspect of People — Leadership.

As we move forward from Sept. 11, we must step up our vigilance along our borders, and we must take new steps to move people and commerce safely and efficiently, recognizing that the nature of the threat has changed.

On May 22, our Secretary, the Honorable Norman Mineta, gave the Commencement Address at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. His remarks to the graduates were congratulatory for their hard work, tenacity, and accomplishments in arriving at this day of graduation and joining the ranks of the women and men who stand the watch in Coast Guard Blue.

"Our Coast Guard is at one of the pivotal moments that occur maybe once every century," said Mineta. "It is occurring now, and you will be a part of it. You will decide the future of the Coast Guard."

The Secretary's message applies to all of you who serve as members of the Coast Guard Reserve. You can feel great pride in the contributions you have made, and will continue to make — never have you been more visible. We, as an organization, will continue to go through a major transformation to meet the demands of the 21st century.

"... the responsibility and leadership of the Coast Guard also lies squarely on your shoulders. The competitive edge in any business is vested in the people — "our people are our most important asset" is not a trite slogan; it is a fundamental truth."

I said earlier that the responsibility and leadership of the U.S. Coast Guard has now passed to ADM Collins — but, the responsibility and leadership of the Coast Guard also lies squarely on your shoulders. The competitive edge in any business is vested in the people. "Our people are our most important asset" is not a trite slogan; it is a fundamental truth. As the Reserve Component grows, and we rebalance our mission emphasis to meet an emergent national mandate, it is imperative each of us assume a leadership role — we all have a responsibility to sustain our Coast Guard as a world class organization — an organization capable of delivering to the citizens of this country operational excellence.

Volumes have been written regarding ***leadership***. I, too, have a few select concepts I would like to share, and hope you find them to be of use as we meet the challenges that lie ahead:

REAR ADMIRAL MARY P. O'DONNELL, USCGR
DEPUTY FOR MOBILIZATION & RESERVE COMPONENT AFFAIRS, PACAREA

- **Create an effective team to help achieve your vision and goals.**
- **Remember that the diversity of skills in a great team exceed those of any one individual.**
- **Inspiration includes an element of emotion that propels people to take action on their own initiative.**
- **Encourage others to take the lead. Listen, then speak; follow, then lead.**
- **Remember that one inspiring communication can turn the tide.**
- **The more frequent the human contact, the more progress will be achieved.**
- **Keep your sense of humor, even during the worst moments of crisis.**
- **Share the hardships of the people you lead.**
- **Ability to Learn plus Action equals Effective Leadership.**
- **Winners attract Winners.**
- **Leaders act as agents of change for the majority of people they represent.**
- **The fire of a truly great leader is always burning.**
- **The better a person is, the lower thoughts they have of themselves.**
- **Always remain optimistic. See a rising sun rather than a setting sun.**
- **Develop future leaders. Pass the torch to the next generation.**

In 1776, Thomas Paine penned words that well describe 2002...

"These are the times that try men's souls. The summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will, in this crisis, shrink from the service of his country; but he that stands it now, deserves the love and thanks of man and woman."

A special thanks to a fellow reservist who has stood the watch for over 33 years — RADM Carl Moore. RADM, you have served our Service and our people with honor, respect and devotion to duty. It is with deep gratitude, affection, admiration, and friendship that we bid you Fair Winds and Following Seas.

God Bless You. God Bless the Coast Guard. Semper Paratus.

Papp named Director of Reserve & Training

RADM(Select) Robert J. Papp, Jr. has been selected as the next Director of Reserve & Training (G-WT) pending Senate confirmation. Papp is currently serving as Deputy Chief of Staff at Headquarters in Washington, D.C.

A native of Norwich, Conn., he is a 1975 graduate of the United States Coast Guard Academy. He also earned a Master of Arts degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the United States Naval War College and a Master of Science degree in Management from Salve Regina College. His primary duties in the Coast Guard have been seagoing in nature. He served aboard *CGC Ironwood*, as Executive Officer of *CGC Redwood* and as Commandant of Cadets onboard USCG Barque *Eagle*. He has had command of *CGC Red Beech, CGC Papaw, CGC Forward* and of USCG Barque *Eagle*.

In 1994 while commanding *Forward*, he served as Commander Task Unit 44.7.4 in *Operation Able Manner* off the coast of Haiti, and enforced United Nations sanctions during *Operation Support Democracy*. His task unit grew ultimately to 16 cutters and associated aircraft in support of Naval forces during the intervention in Haiti, *Operation Uphold Democracy*. In 1996, while in command of *Eagle*, he represented the U.S. Naval Services at the 300th anniversary celebration of the Russian Fleet in St. Petersburg, Russia.

Assignments ashore have included the Commandant of Cadets staff at the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Conn.; Aids to Navigation staff in the Third Coast Guard District at Governors Island, N.Y.; Chief of the Capabilities Branch in the Defense Operations Division at Headquarters; Chief of the Fleet Development Team in the Office of Navigation Safety and Waterway Services; and most recently, Chief of the Coast Guard's Office of Congressional Affairs.

"I could not be more thrilled or pleased with my assignment," said Papp. "My association with the Reserve during my time aboard *Eagle* was extensive and rewarding. We could not have carried out our cadet underway training program without the dedicated efforts of our Reserve shipmates."

He is married to the former Linda Kapral of East Lyme, Conn. They have three daughters: Lindsay, 21, and twins Caitlin and Jillian, 17. Papp's father, Robert, retired as a commander in the Coast Guard Reserve. Once confirmed by the Senate, Papp will relieve RADM Duncan Smith, USCGR, Acting Director of Reserve & Training. See ALCOAST 177/02 and ALCOAST 411/02 for a list of all 2002 Flag officer assignments.

Destiny: RADM Moore reflects on 30 plus years of CGR service

BY PACS Tom Cowan, USCGR

Sitting near the water's edge in Stockton, Calif., a young couple were discussing their future. The man, a law student, had been accepted into the Naval Aviation program. The young woman had serious reservations about her fiancee flying for the Navy, which had most of the Vietnam war's POWs. At some stage in the discussion, Coast Guard BOSTEAM 12 arrived to get underway in the Stockton Ship Channel.

"My fiancee looked around and on seeing the boat exclaimed, now if you were to join the Coast Guard...."

There is no such thing as chance; and what seems to us merest accident springs from the deepest source of destiny.
–Schiller (1759 —1805)

RADM Carl Moore received his destiny and his commission in the Coast Guard Reserve in 1969. His first tour was three years of active duty in the Operations Division, 13th District. The Admiral officially retired on June 1st of this year, but is completing his final duty in recall status serving as Acting Director of Reserve & Training through late summer. Between his first and last assignments, Moore has had many challenging Coast Guard opportunities, all while managing the delicate balance between his civilian career as an attorney for the California Office of Oil Spill Prevention and Response, and his personal life.

You could make a good argument that his worklife scale was tipped heavily toward the Coast Guard. His shortest commute was a tour as XO near his home at Air Station Sacramento. His first command was Coast Guard Reserve Unit San Luis Obispo.

"It was the only command billet available, but the 'commute' was a 5-hour drive, each way. My wife, Cindy, often would come with me to help with the drive," explained the admiral.

Group Monterey was one of Moore's favorite commands. He cites the great location and the challenging mission.

"Our Reserve boat coxswains were required to qualify on three different boats, including the surf rescue vessel. We also augmented both 95s and 82s," said Moore.

Later in his career, the admiral accepted a challenging billet as Commanding Officer of Reserve Unit Salt Lake City. This assignment also turned out to be a favorite in spite of the 650-mile commute.

Over the past 33 and a half years, the Admiral's career assignments have taken him all over the world to such places as Korea, Bahrain, Germany, France, Japan, Mexico, Cuba, Indonesia and China, not to mention eight trips to Alaska. As the first Coast Guard officer to command a Naval Reserve unit, Harbor Defense Command Unit 114, Moore made 30 round trips to Honolulu, Hawaii. Another long commute! It was his Navy connections that helped the Coast Guard acquire use of the Navy PC 170s. These high speed Patrol Craft are being used for port security on both coasts and rep resent a $100 million capability acquired at no cost to the Coast Guard.

PA3 Krystyna Hannum, USCG

RADM Moore "passes the baton" as Deputy Area Commander for Mobilization & Reserve Component Affairs, LANTAREA to RADM Duncan Smith, USCGR, on June 29. Previous commanders' names are enscribed on the baton.

Always a vocal proponent of the people and capabilities of the Reserve program, Moore is quick to give credit to his predecessors for their vision and hard work.

Among the many who have influenced Moore's outlook were RADM Jim Lipscomb, CAPT Tad Kelly, MCPO Dan Stack, and his first CO, LCDR Jim Hadley. The admiral emphasizes that Admiral Lipscomb showed him the value of keeping a positive attitude, CAPT Kelly taught him to think outside of the box, and the Master Chief educated him on the culture and people of the Coast Guard.

"The Chief's corps is the backbone of the service," said Moore.

Two things lead Moore's list for reasons to affiliate with the Coast Guard. "It's the people and what they do. I enjoy working with professionals on missions of national importance. This is real, meaningful work!"

While in his office, between phone calls, visitors and preparing for a brief to the Commandant, the Admiral reflected on the success of his long career. Over the years, he has embraced a four-part philosophy on leadership.

"Challenge those you work with to do their best, empower them, hold them accountable, reward them, and you will never be disappointed," said Moore. "My success comes from the many great people in the Coast Guard, a team effort from those who believe in what they are doing."

Of course you can never discount the power that comes from the deepest source of destiny!

Ed's note: RADM Moore was relieved as Deputy Area Commander Mobilization & Reserve Component Affairs, CG LANTAREA by RADM Duncan Smith, USCGR, on June 29 at a ceremony in Norfolk, Va. Smith will also serve as Acting Director of Reserve & Training until later this fall.

Enlisted Persons of the Year Honored

WASHINGTON, D.C. — PS1 Alex A. Gayson, of Port Security Unit 311 in San Pedro, Calif., was honored recently as the Coast Guard Reserve's Enlisted Person of the Year. MK2 Carlene E. Adams, of *CGC Juniper* (WLB 201) was selected as the Active Duty Coast Guard Enlisted Person of the Year. Gayson, the PACAREA nominee, was deployed to the Arabian Gulf region in support of *Operations Southern Watch* and *Enduring Freedom,* when he received the news. Both were meritoriously advanced to the next higher pay grade — Gayson to E-7 and Adams to E-6 — at a ceremony held at Coast Guard Headquarters in May. The winners of this award were announced via ALCOAST 182/02. The other nominees are listed at right.

REPOY Nominees

BM2 William Cole, Station New Haven, D1
PS1 Douglas Gilmer, MSO Wilmington, D5
EM2 Mark Carstens, Station Port Canaveral, D7
MST2 Robert McNeilly, MSO Pittsburgh, D8
PS1 Peter Galley, Group Buffalo, D9
AMT1 Russell Kirkham, AIRSTA San Francisco, D11
MST1 Keith Roraback, MSO Puget Sound, D13
MST1 Scott Morse, MSO Honolulu, D14
MK1 Jeffrey Halcomb, MSO Valdez, D17
DC1 Brandon Scott, ISC Boston, MLCLANT
YN2 Marie Barry, ISC Seattle, MLCPAC
MST1 Grady Wilson, NSF Elizabeth City, HQ
PS1 Edward Messina, PSU 307, LANTAREA

EPOY Nominees

HS2 Tina Owen, Group Fort Macon, D5
QM1 Frank Parenti, *CGC Nantucket*, D7
BM1 Michael Lalor, Group Mobile, D8
BM1 Michael Beatty, Group Grand Haven, D9
MST1 Richard Rozendal, MSO/Group LA/LB, D11
BM1 Chris Damelio, Sta. Cape Disappointment, D13
BM2 Derek Franklin, *CGC Walnut*, D14
BM2 Thad Wagner, *CGC Spar*, D17
YN3 Katie Cooper, ISC Boston, MLCLANT
SK1 Marvin Ross, ISC Honolulu MLCPAC
GM1 Edward Marrufo, HITRON Jacksonville, HQ
MST1 Scott Houle, IIP Groton, LANTAREA
FS1 Traci Willoughby, *CGC Sherman*, PACAREA
HS2 Angie Scripter, Academy

MSO/Group Philadelphia takes Sparks Award

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Marine Safety Office/Group Philadelphia was selected as the recipient of the RADM Bennett S. "Bud" Sparks Award. This award is presented annually by the Reserve Officers Association of the United States to the active command judged to be the most supportive of a totally integrated Coast Guard force.

MSO/Group Philadelphia was selected owing to the unit's outstanding leadership and partnership initiatives. Reservists are fully integrated into all unit operations, all elements of the MSO and Group Duty Sections, and all support functions. Following Sept. 11, 59 reservists were assigned to MSO/Group Philadelphia and served in all departments across all mission areas.

Other units nominated for this award were Station Portsmouth Harbor, N.H.; Station Port Canaveral, Fla.; MSO New Orleans, La.; MSO Detroit, Mich.; MSO Puget Sound, Wash.; MSO Valdez, Alaska; Atlantic Strike team, Fort Dix, N.J.; PSU TRADET, Yorktown, Va.; *CGC Eagle*; and ISC Alameda, Calif.

Units wishing to submit packages for future Sparks Award competition are encouraged to review the nomination for MSO/Group Philadelphia linked to the CGR web site at: *www.uscg.mil/hq/reserve/sparks.htm.*

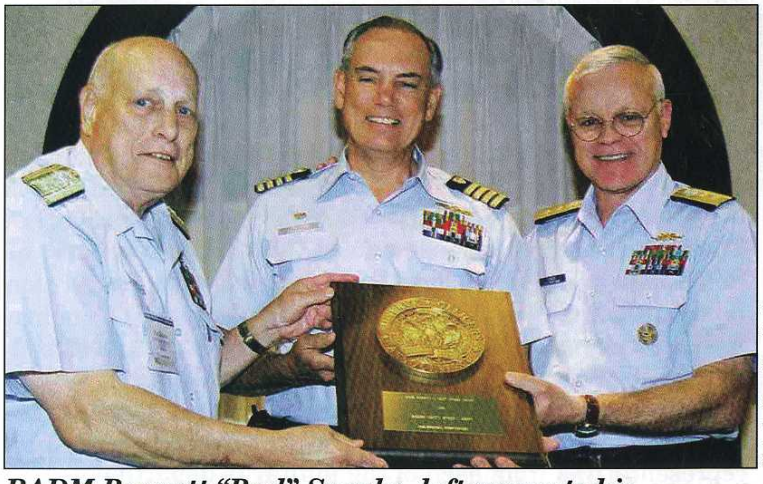


Photo by Mary Fran Buckley

RADM Bennett "Bud" Sparks, left presents his namesake award to CAPT Gregory Adams, Commander, MSO/Group Philadelphia, with RADM Dennis Sirois, former Director of Reserve & Training.

MSO/Group Philadelphia was presented with the award at the Reserve Officers Association annual convention in Philadelphia in June. See ALCOAST 244/02 for information.

News Briefs

MCPOCG CEREMONY POSTPONED

Per ALCOAST 342/02, MCPO Ja Good will not be installed as the next Master Chief of the Coast Guard as previously announced. MCPOCG Vince Patton's successor will be selected by mid-September.

SILVER LIFESAVING MEDAL AWARDED TO RESERVIST

RADM James Carmichael, 7th District Commander, presented the Silver Lifesaving Medal to IVC Richard "Ricki" Blais and Kenneth J. McCaroon at an awards ceremony held at the District Office July 17. During Hurricane Floyd on Sept. 14, 1999, Blais and McCarron were on duty as Special Agents of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration in Freeport, Bahamas when they responded to a call for assistance from the Freeport International Airport. They fought their way through high water, fierce winds, and debris in an effort to safely evacuate 13 people from a designated airport shelter. Blais is now a Federal Air Marshal in Massachusetts and assigned to CG Investigative Services, Northeast Region. Approximately 1900 Silver Lifesaving Medals have been awarded since 1875. It is one of the highest honors the United States government can bestow upon a citizen.

MEMORIAL DEDICATION CEREMONY PLANNED

A memorial plaque display will be dedicated and the Reserve school classroom and lounge will be renamed in honor of the two Coast Guardsmen killed at the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, 2001. The ceremony is set for Friday, Sept. 27, 1 p.m., Munro Hall, Training Center Cape May, N.J. MK1 Jeffrey A. Palazzo and PS2 Vincent G. Danz perished while working with the New York Fire and Police Departments, respectively. All members of *Team Coast Guard* are invited to attend the ceremony. For more information, contact LCDR William Richardson, Phone: 609-898-6364, E-mail: *wrichardson@tracencapemay.uscg.mil*

O'DONNELL APPOINTED TO RFPB

The Department of Defense named Coast Guard Reserve RADM Mary P. O'Donnell to the Reserve Forces Policy Board, effective July 1, 2002. Acting through the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs, the RFPB serves as the principal advisor to the Secretary of Defense on military Reserve force matters. Congress created the 24-member board in 1952. It is comprised of representatives from each of the military's departments; it includes Active and Reserve component general and flag officers representing all services, including the Coast Guard.

2002 CAPT WILLIAMS CGR AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE WINNER

CDR Diane L. Coleman is the winner of this year's Williams Award. The award, sponsored by the National Naval Officers Association (NNOA), was presented to Coleman at the NNOA awards banquet at Naval Amphibious Base, Little Creek, Va. on Aug. 9.

NAACP ROY WILKINS RENOWN SERVICE AWARD

NEW ORLEANS — LCDR Raymond Brown from Coast Guard Integrated Support Command New Orleans has been selected as the USCG recipient of the 2002 NAACP Roy Wilkins Renown Service Award. Brown received the award at the 2002 NAACP National Convention in Houston July 9. See ALCOAST 294/02.

NSEA GRADUATE

Congratulations to BMCS Mark Allen, USCGR, who graduated from the Navy Senior Enlisted Academy in Newport, R.I. on July 31. Allen was the only Coast Guard member out of 56 Navy and three Air Force senior enlisted personnel. The Coast Guard receives five billets for this course each year. For info, contact MCPO Tim Cary at e-mail: *tcary@comdt.uscg.mil*

ALEX HALEY MEMORIAL DEDICATED

The national Kunta Kinte-Alex Haley Memorial was dedicated at the Annapolis, Md. city dock on June 12. Among the attendees were John Amos, Alex Haley, Jr. and Maryland Governor Parris Glendening.

FLEET NEWS

Two new Coast Guard cutters were christened and launched recently at Marinette Marine Corporation, Marinette, Wis. *CGC Hickory* (WLB 212) was launched May 11, 2002. Keynote speaker was ADM James M. Loy while the ship's sponsor was Mrs. Lula Young. *CGC Fir* (WLB 213) was launched Aug. 18, 2002. Keynote speaker was CAPT R.A. "Mac" McCullough and the ship's sponsor was Mrs. Sheila Barrett. The new cutters are the 12th and 13th cutters of the *Juniper* Class 225-foot Seagoing Buoy Tenders. The crew is comprised of six officers and 34 enlisted personnel. The next scheduled launching is the *CGC Sequoia* (WLB 214) on Jan. 12, 2003. INTRA-net Web site: *http//cgweb.uscg.mil/g-a/wlb-pro/index.htm*

RECORD-SETTING TOM'S RUN 2002

A record-setting 17 teams and 350 people participated in the fourth annual Tom's Run, a 200-mile run-bike relay down the historic C&O Canal from Cumberland, Md. to Washington, D.C. This year, participants came from as far away as Kansas, Florida, Connecticut, and Ohio for the June 7-8 event. VADM Tom Barrett, USCG Vice Commandant, spoke to the large crowd gathered for the grand finale rally at Fort McNair. Tom's Run, started in 1999 by the Office of Reserve Affairs, has become the Coast Guard's premier running event. For the third consecutive year, the overall coordinator was LT Daryl Schaffer, USCGR. The relay is named in honor of retired Coast Guardsman CWO4 Tom Brooks. Tom's Run Web site: *www.tomsrun.org*

LETTERS FROM GITMO: A NOTE FROM PSU 307 CAPTAIN

USCG photo

Ed's note: The following is an excerpt from PSU 307's family newsletter published by PSU 307 Ombudsman Lynda Lipke. This one was taken from the second edition, dated July 1, 2002.

Three weeks have already... flown by for many... dragged on for some. Some count down by days (161) or weeks (23) ; others by paychecks (11). Regardless, we're moving ahead and doing well. I have to admit that every day seems to present a new challenge — just when you thought you had it wired. So maybe I need to view it as three steps forward, one or two steps back... a couple more forward. Reminds me of the tortoise and the hare — slow and steady wins the race.

First, it hasn't cooled down at all...86-degrees in a swimming pool makes laps somewhat difficult, but it beats 95-degrees plus on the road — I think. For a bit of trivia — we're located at about 20 degrees north latitude. On June 21 (the first day of summer) the sun was directly overhead 22.5 degrees north latitude and started to head back toward the equator before it makes a beeline to the southern hemisphere.... Stick with me on this... In 183 days the sun travels about 45 degrees so each day it travels about 1/4 degree — so in the past 10 days, it's headed back south about 2-1/2 degrees and is directly overhead today! And you think I'm busy.... Anyway, my point is it's hot and will stay that way for a while. I'll try this logic on the General this afternoon....

I'm very encouraged by the progress a lot of people are making — several are losing weight (on purpose), several are running much better, and the place is shaping up nicely. We've raised our Coast Guard ensign (the flag, not Mr. Foley) over our work area, built an area to store our weapons, getting ourselves prepared for hurricanes, and slowly but surely we're consolidating our operations and taking care of our gear. Our gardens are growing and we've taken a new liking for banana rat stew — just kidding. The other stuff is still going on — biking, running, gyms, pools, etc — as before. But again, there really is quite a bit to do here, although we are restricted to a very (used to be relatively) small piece of real estate. I'll have a story about our new anchor next time....

My most significant observation for the past couple of weeks is that everyone is doing a dynamite job. I'll share a few successes that come to mind. TC2 Scheffler earned the PSU insignia. We're teaching the Navy how to drive boats using the Coast Guard's small boat qualification program (this is a BIG deal because they will relieve us at some point) — well done to BM1 Kennedy. PS2 Getman and BM3 Trefcer just qualified as coxswains! And PS1 Lucia, BM3 Riggs and others are coming along very quickly too.

We got a nice compliment after a crewman stopped to assist an officer who fell while jogging — they noted a true sense of concern and willingness to help. Several boat crews have been recognized for doing good work on the water. And our shore security people have let people know that "we're watching and standing our post." YN1 Walsh and YN2 Colon have done a great job getting us paid. I saw PS3 Morena jogging along the road the other day — OK, he's not setting any land-speed records, but he is doing ***much*** better than he was only a couple of weeks ago. I'll save the softball and soccer team improvements for the next news clip — or possibly the one after that — we have plenty of room for improvement!

On a final note, I want to recognize a couple of people who recently left Cuba. LT Dan Clark is transferring to the Coast Guard Greater Antilles Section, in Puerto Rico, TC2 Ronnie Scheffler will be working with computers in St. Pete, and PS2 Pat Sterner should be commissioned an ensign soon. Well done and thank you to these people who have worked very hard to shape PSU 307 into what it is today — I didn't want to say they helped get us to where we are today....

Again, I'll stress that everyone would much rather be at home, but they are doing a great job. I appreciate their hard work and very importantly your continued support. Take care and stay safe.

— CAPT Paul Crissy, USCGR
Commanding Officer, PSU 307

WELCOME HOME PSU 305

FORT EUSTIS, Va. — Over 100 members of Coast Guard Port Security Unit 305 returned home June 14 after spending five months protecting the U.S. Navy Base in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. The unit guarded international waters around the base where prisoners from Afghanistan are being detained.

PSU 305 was greeted by RADM Hugo Blackwood, Deputy MARDEZLANT, CAPT Thomas Paar, LANTAREA Chief of Staff, and MCPO George Ingraham, Reserve Force Master Chief. A large reception was held at the unit, Fort Eustis, Va., with family members and the press attending. The unit was relieved of its duties by PSU 307 of St. Petersburg, Fla.

Above: CDR Robert Grabb, PSU 305 Commanding Officer, front, deboards at Langley Air Force Base, Hampton, Va. with Executive Officer LCDR Lee Handford. • Right: It's thumbs up to be back in the good ol' USA, l to r, BM3 Mark Murphy, PS3 Wally Voight, BM3 Ryan Curran, BMC Robert Jenks, HSCS Mark O'Neal, PS3 Eric Neilson, EM2 Derrick Hicks, BM3 Bobby McGuire and BM1 Matt Stone.

USCG LANTAREA/D5 Public Affairs

BRIEFLY...

USCG LAUNCHES MULTI-BILLION DOLLAR PLAN FOR "DEEPWATER"

U. S. Deputy Secretary of Transportation, Michael P. Jackson, joined by U. S. Coast Guard Commandant ADM Thomas H. Collins, announced the award of a landmark contract valued at $11.04 billion for a fleet of new ships and aircraft, plus improved command and control systems, to meet the service's homeland security and other mission needs. In addition, the "Deepwater" contract includes $5.91 billion for operating, maintenance, and sustainment costs for a value of $16.95 billion. The contract was awarded to Integrated Coast Guard Systems (ICGS), a joint venture established by Lockheed Martin and Northrop Grumman. The announcement was made at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C. June 25.

DEPLOYED!

Members of PSU 308 and PSU 307 have been deployed OCONUS. You may write to them at the following addresses: Member's Name, USCG PSU-308, FPO AE 09834-3936 and Commanding Officer, USCG PSU 307, ATTN: Member's Name, FPO AE 09501-3937.

CG RESERVE FEATURED IN *USA TODAY*

Coast Guard Reservist BMC Tim Ferguson was featured in the May 7, 2002 "Life" section of *USA Today*. The two-page photo feature explained some of the sacrifices and challenges Ferguson, a police detective, faced after being recalled to Active Duty following Sept. 11. He is serving at Coast Guard Station Bellingham, Wash. The Coast Guard was also featured in the Aug. 12, 2002 issue of *USA Today* (page 7A), and discussed the Coast Guard's domestic role in the War on Terrorism. The full-page feature also mentioned the Coast Guard's new Maritime Safety and Security Teams (MSSTs) that are being formed. Three of the MSSTs have already been commissioned at Seattle, Tidewater, Va., and Los Angeles. An MSST in Houston is slated for commissioning in October. *USA Today* Web site: *www.usatoday.com*

COAST GUARD RESERVIST RECALLS

As of Aug. 28, 2002, 1,082 Coast Guard Ready Reservists were on involuntary active duty under Title 10 USC recall orders. The Atlantic Area contributed 808 while the Pacific Area provided 274.

Photo by CWO Lance Jones, USCG

Members of PSU 311 stand in formation during their homecoming at ISC San Pedro, Calif.

PSU 311 PIONEERS NAVY-CG TEAM

SOUTHWEST ASIA — It was an incredibly hot and cloudless afternoon last October when 46 or so members of a detachment from PSU 311 in San Pedro, Calif. descended to the tarmac from an Air Force C-5.

Stiff and sore from the long flight, the Coasties began to unload their boats, weapons and other equipment as they prepared to relieve a Naval Reserve unit that had been providing force protection for U.S. and Allied warships operating in the Arabian Gulf.

The Coast Guard was back in the Port Security business in Southwest Asia.

The men and women from PSU 311 arrived to augment a permanent Navy unit in theater, but quickly found themselves merged with their Navy counterparts into a single unit.

Before long, Coast Guard and Navy boats were operating with mixed crews. Coast Guard officers and chiefs were learning about Navy personnel administration while sailors and Coasties shared the finer points of port security and small boat tactics.

All this amid the opening days of *Operation Enduring Freedom* — America's answer to the terror attacks of Sept. 11.

"To my knowledge, the degree of integration we experienced with the Navy was fairly unprecedented, at least in recent history," said LCDR Rob Hanley, Officer in Charge of the Coast Guard detachment and the Navy Harbor Patrol Unit. "The great thing is that the Coasties and sailors bonded into shipmates. After a while, you stopped noticing whether the name tapes on the uniform said 'U.S. Navy' or 'U.S. Coast Guard.'"

Among other things, the Coast Guard detachment worked with the Navy to qualify Navy coxswains, while several of the Coast Guard members earned their coxswain qualifications and PSU pins.

In fact, because the Coast Guard detachment was operating as part of the Naval Security Force one Coast Guard member, BM3 Robert Leveille, was selected by the Navy for the honor of "Junior Patrol Officer of the Month."

The OPTEMPO was high, and the pace could be punishing at times. But cooler weather helped as the days turned into weeks. The holidays came and went — Thanksgiving, Ramadan, Christmas, New Year's, and Easter, plus innumerable birthdays and wedding anniversaries. By early April, it was time for the watch to be relieved.

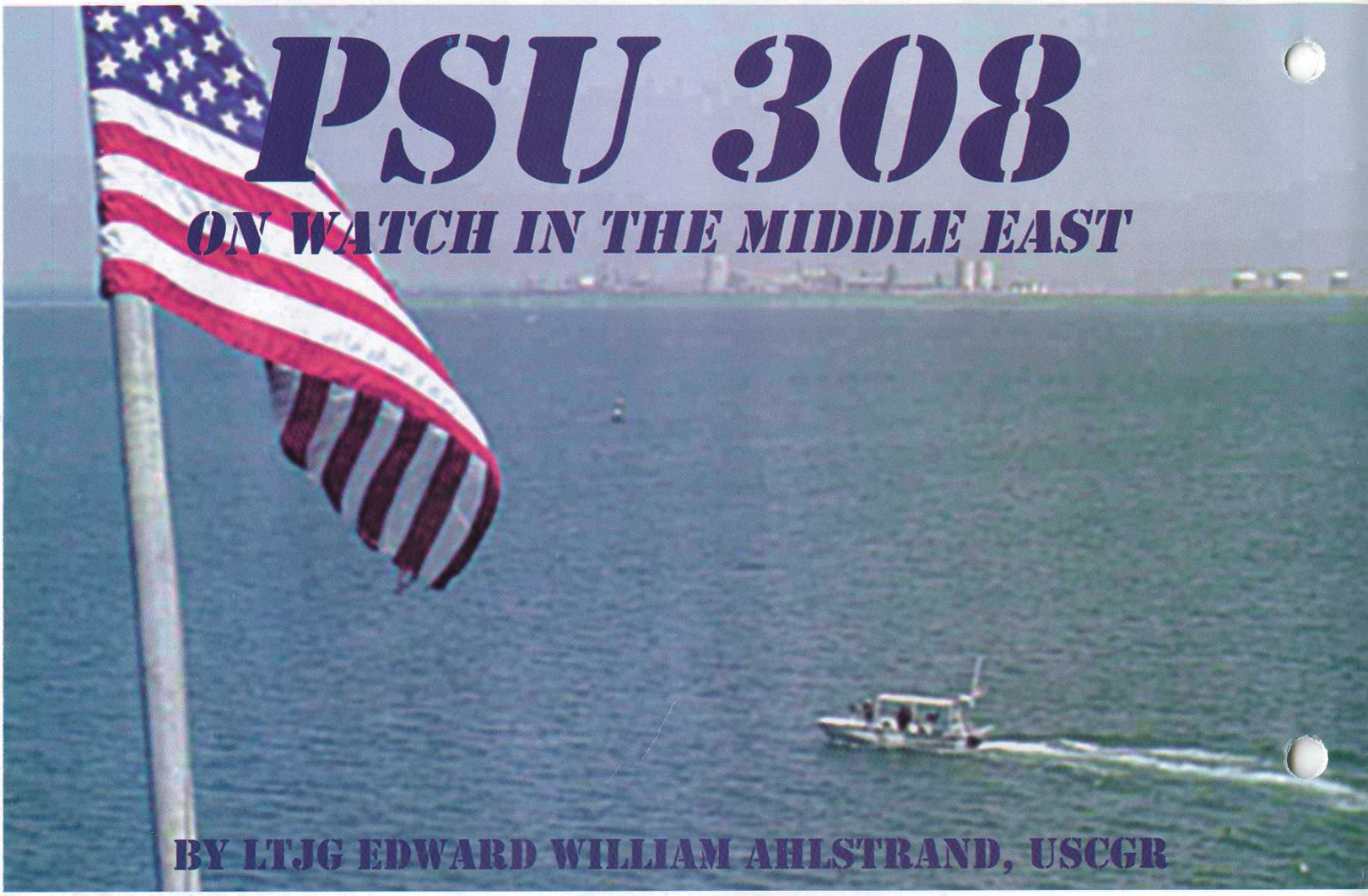
"All of us were honored to have the opportunity to do what we had practiced for years," said Hanley. "But we were all pretty eager to get home and very, very happy to see the folks from PSU 308 arrive."

But no one would have missed the opportunity to serve overseas in wartime, especially after the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11.

"I remember one clear, crisp morning last November, when I saw the American flags fluttering in the breeze from the fantails of all the ships, so far from home," said Hanley. "Although I sure missed my home and family, at that moment there was no place I'd rather have been than over there. And I'm pretty sure everyone in my crew felt the same way. It was the high point of our Coast Guard careers."

PSU 308

ON WATCH IN THE MIDDLE EAST



BY LTJG EDWARD WILLIAM AHLSTRAND, USCGR

Following the aftermath of one of the worst attacks upon the soil of the United States on Sept. 11, 2001, President Bush addressed the nation and spoke directly to America's military personnel: "I have a message for our military: Be ready. I've called the Armed Forces to alert, and there is a reason. The hour is coming when America will act, and you will make us proud."

For the personnel of PSU 308, this speech was especially pertinent as they watched it during the unit's period of ADT at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, N.C. The members took the president's call to "Be ready" to heart, knowing that deployment to the Middle East was potentially imminent. Six months later, the call to fulfill the president's challenge became a reality when a detachment from PSU 308 arrived in the Middle East for its first ever, real world six-month deployment.

The events leading up to this current deployment, as it did for so many other Coast Guard Reservists currently on active duty, began on Sept. 11, 2001. Only four days later, PSU 308 reported for duty at Camp Lejeune to undergo its Tailored Unit Training Availability and Final Evaluation Problem (TUTA/FEP). All members took full advantage of the training opportunities including CBR (chemical, biological, and radiological) training, weapons training, first aid, convoy escort and protection and other training critical to units designed to deploy to forward areas. Throughout the entire training evolution, Sept. 11, 2001 hung heavy on everyone's mind, making it all the more imperative to take to heart the training and lessons learned.

PSU 308 was tapped for its first deployment, replacing PSU 311 in the Middle East in April 2002.

"In light of the fact that this was our first deployment, this was the first time we had to deal with many of these [deployment] issues, but everyone stepped up to the plate and ensured that all necessary tasking was completed correctly and in a timely manner," said LCDR Mike Rost, PSU 308's Operations Officer.

Finally, the day of departure arrived, and deploying PSU 308 personnel gathered at Gulfport, Miss., airport with family and friends. As mothers, fathers, children and spouses said their final goodbyes, more than one family member had a tear in their eye. Finally, the members boarded the plane

for a flight that lasted more than 24 hours. Upon departing the plane at PSU 308's final destination, the heat of the desert greeted the newcomers, and quickly imparted on each individual member that this was an operational environment unlike any they had trained in before.

PSU 308 hit the ground running and immediately met with their counterparts in PSU 311 in order to ensure a proper watch turnover.

"The relief went extremely smooth, and an abundance of information ranging from daily operations to local procedures was passed along," said LCDR Bob Grassino, PSU 308 Commanding Officer.

After officially relieving PSU 311 of their post, the personnel of PSU 308 quickly encountered and overcame the difficulties of underway operations in the Middle East. The sun rises early on the Arabian Gulf, and with it comes the intense heat so famous in the Middle East. It is not uncommon for the heat index to rise to 121 degrees Fahrenheit on any given day in the spring and summer. And PSU 308, the latest "Desert Coasties," are on patrol in this foreign land searching for terrorists and ensuring America's interest and assets in this forward area are well protected.

The coxswains and boat crew personnel quickly became familiar with the area of responsibility in both day and nighttime conditions. The engineering and electronics personnel quickly assessed the condition of the 25-foot Transportable Port Security Boats (TPSB) they would be responsible for over the next six months. Administrative personnel immersed themselves in the do's and don'ts of Navy paperwork in addition to sorting out pay issues. Security personnel assessed the constant threats the unit would face in terms of Force Protection issues.

In addition to fulfilling its specific mission of Anti-Terrorism /Force Protection, PSU 308 took over the training board (started by PSU 311) to train and qualify their Navy counterparts assigned to the Harbor Protection Unit. The training board members, consisting of PSU 308's most experienced chiefs and senior petty officers, worked overtime in order to meet both the operational aspects of the mission and instruct Navy personnel. These monumental efforts have paid huge dividends as new Navy coxswains take to the waters of the Middle East providing Force Protection garnered from their Coast Guard training.

One of the major highlights of PSU 308's deployment thus far was a visit to the region by the Secretary of Defense, Donald Rumsfeld. While visiting the *USS Carney*, HPU/PSU 308's Commanding Officer, LCDR R. J. Grassino, was asked by VADM T. J. Keating, Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Central Command and Commander, U.S. Fifth Fleet, to brief both himself and the Secretary of Defense on the Coast Guard's mission in the Middle East and Rules of Engagement.

"Briefing the Secretary of Defense was one of the highlights of my career," said Grassino. "The Secretary asked several questions and was extremely interested in the Coast Guard's role in Fifth Fleet operations."

As PSU 308 looks ahead to the last few months of their desert deployment, the members take pride in the hard work and long road taken to their first deployment. Despite the harsh environmental conditions and the demanding operational tempo of a forward area, personnel of PSU 308 know they have answered the president's call to arms following Sept. 11.

"I'm proud to say I served my country while stationed in the Middle East," said BM3 Sam Edwards as he and his boat crew prepared to get underway in the Arabian Gulf. "I feel like I have played an important role protecting the lives of all Americans."

And as they do, PSU 308 remains always alert and always ready in the Middle East.

Photo courtesy D5/LANTAREA Public Affairs.

Gen. Tommy Franks, Commander, U.S. Forces, Central Command visits with PSU 308 members, l to r, ENS Ted Trujillo, LTJG Ed Ahlstrand, Gen. Franks and LCDR Bob Grassino.

CHANGING

OF THE GUARD

ADM Thomas H. Collins takes command as 22nd Commandant of the Coast Guard

ADM Thomas H. Collins became the 22nd Commandant of the United States Coast Guard May 30. Collins took over the Coast Guard's highest position from retiring ADM James M. Loy at a traditional change-of-command ceremony at the Army's Fort Lesley J. McNair, just steps from U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, D.C.

"ADM Collins is without a doubt the man to take the Coast Guard into the 21st century," said Gen. Richard B. Myers, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Providing a ceremonial backdrop were Coast Guard Barque *Eagle* and several other Coast Guard cutters moored on the adjacent Washington Channel. The Coast Guard Band, Honor Guard and a Color Guard were on-hand to add ruffles and flourishes on a sunny, hot day in our nation's capital. A special Honor Platoon made up of all components of *Team Coast Guard* was present and inspected by the admirals.

"The Coast Guard exemplifies America at its very best," said Transportation Secretary Norm Mineta. "Coasties are a special breed of men and women....and ADM Loy has indeed performed."

Following Loy's retirement ceremony, Mineta made an extraordinary announcement to thunderous applause.

"ADM Loy is now on record as having the shortest retirement in history," said Mineta. "He has agreed to come to work for me at Transportation Security Administration (TSA) as Deputy Under Secretary and Chief Operating Officer."

Since then, Loy has taken over the top slot at TSA following the resignation of John Magaw July 18.

"I am indeed blessed," said Loy during his remarks.

He acknowledged 61 fellow classmates from the Academy Class of 1964 that were present. His wife, Kay, and two grown children, Kelly Loy Morf of Cary, N.C. and LT Michael Loy of Williamsburg, Va. were also in attendance.

Loy added that the "dull knife" he had compared the Coast Guard to a few years ago was about to get a big sharpening.

"Tom Collins is a good man and a gifted leader," said Loy. "I wish you godspeed."

ADM Collins, a 1968 graduate of the Coast Guard Academy, and Vice Commandant from 2000-2002, is a native of Stoughton, Mass. He is married to the former Nancy Monahan of New London, Conn. They have two daughters, Christine and Kathryn.

"We must be ever mindful that our country recently came under attack," Collins told the standing room only audience that also included many members of his Academy class. "We must be vigilant, but must not be afraid. We must sail, not drift and not be at anchor."

Collins outlined his three priorities as "Readiness, Stewardship and People." These three priorities were outlined in *Commandant's Direction 2002*, a special brochure distributed to all Coast Guard units and reservists earlier this summer.

"All three priorities will be necessary to meet the challenges of the coming days," said Collins.

Commandants of the Coast Guard

2002-	ADM Thomas H. Collins
1998-2002	ADM James M. Loy
1994-1998	ADM Robert E. Kramek
1990-1994	ADM J. William Kime
1986-1990	ADM Paul A. Yost, Jr.
1982-1986	ADM James S. Gracey
1978-1982	ADM John B. Hayes
1974-1978	ADM Owen W. Siler
1970-1974	ADM Chester R. Bender
1966-1970	ADM Willard J. Smith
1962-1966	ADM Edwin J. Roland
1954-1962	ADM Alfred C. Richmond**
1950-1954	VADM Merlin O'Neill
1946-1949	ADM Joseph F. Farley
1936-1946	ADM Russell R. Waesche
1932-1936	RADM Harry G. Hamlet
1924-1932	RADM Frederick C. Billard
1919-1924	RADM William F. Reynolds
1911-1919	CMDR Ellsworth P. Bertholf, USRCS
1905-1911	CAPT Worth G. Ross, USRCS
1895-1905	CAPT Charles F. Shoemaker, USRCS
1889-1895	CAPT Leonard G. Shepard, USRCS

** The specific title "Commandant" dates to 1923.*
*** Appointed Commandant as Vice Admiral; appointed full Admiral June 1, 1960 by Act of May 14, 1960, Public Law 86-474, under which all USCG Commandants thereafter automatically became full Admirals.*

Source: Traditions, 200 Years of History, Coast Guard Historian's office, July 1990, Pages 11-12.

DOT Secretary Norm Mineta greets ADM Loy • ADM Collins salutes. • Gen. Richard B. Myers presents ADM Loy with an award.

INTERVIEW WITH THE COMMANDANT

By
PA2 Jacquelyn Zettles,
G-IPA

Ed's note: The following interview with our new Commandant was published in the August 2002 Coast Guard Magazine.

Change is upon the Coast Guard. Deepwater is the largest contract for new assets ever awarded in Coast Guard history, with an estimated $17 billion being spent over the next 20 years. National security has been brought to the forefront of the service's missions since Sept. 11. Greater port safety and security responsibilities include escorting vessels and enforcing safety zones around Navy ships. The wheels of the Coast Guard's traditional missions — search and rescue, drug and migrant interdiction, environmental protection and aids to navigation — continue to spin as well. In addition, President Bush's proposed Department of Homeland Security would mean even more challenges for the Coast Guard, which would merge with other federal agencies under the new department.

The magnitude of these changes are the greatest ever seen by the Coast Guard, and it is appropriate, for the service is being launched into this sea of change during the formative years of the 21st century. On the brink of so many changes, it is necessary to have a strong and dedicated leader; one who will ensure the success of an already accomplished service at such a critical time in our nation's history. This man, who was nominated by the president and confirmed by the Senate, has already devoted 38 years of his life to the Coast Guard. He served from 2000-2002 as the service's Vice Commandant, from 1998-2000 as the Coast Guard's Pacific Area and 11th District commander, and from 1996-1998 as the Coast Guard's 14th District Commander. He is ADM Thomas H. Collins, the 22nd Commandant of the United States Coast Guard. This is what he had to say about his professional ideals; his new direction that emphasizes readiness, people and stewardship; and his personal goals.

Professional Ideals

What are the characteristics of a good leader?

ADM Collins: Great leaders are great communicators. They set the right priorities, challenge existing conditions, create a workplace environment that rewards teamwork, practice what they preach, push accountability and authority, and put people first.

Who has inspired you throughout your life?

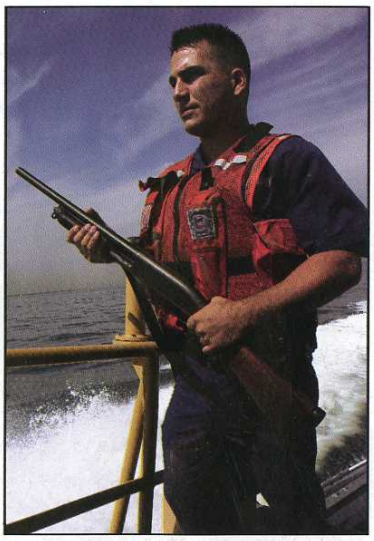
ADM Collins: You don't have to look too far beyond the Coast Guard to find people to really look up to and emulate. My department head at the academy, Ron Wells, was a great mentor, as was Jack Hayes (16th Coast Guard Commandant) and Jim Loy (21st Coast Guard Commandant). I find inspiration in the historical leaders who really made a mark and a difference in this country like Abe Lincoln, Theodore Roosevelt and FDR.

How have the events of Sept. 11 changed the role of Commandant?

ADM Collins: Sept. 11 has changed everyone's role within the government and private sector. It predominates your thinking, strategy and how you allocate resources. Sept. 11 has catapulted to the forefront a certain part of our mission set and made it a priority to rebalance our mission without excluding any of our missions. Failure is not an option.

What is your number one concern coming into this job?

ADM Collins: Homeland security, being ready and living our motto clearly have to be front and center for any service chief. **I want to ensure people are properly equipped, trained and motivated to provide the services the American people expect and deserve from us.** We need to maintain current readiness and prepare for future readiness while remembering that people are the most important dimension of getting readiness right.



Readiness

Your direction notes the many ways the Coast Guard is ensuring its future readiness. What would you say to a concerned public about the Coast Guard's current readiness, specifically in terms of the safety and security of the nation's ports and waterways?

ADM Collins: Our response has been tremendous, and I think we've done the most with what we have, but we have not solved this by any stretch of the imagination. There are still incredible vulnerabilities in the maritime sector. We are putting our assets and energies to the highest risk areas while building out and improving our capabilities so we can determine and deal with the real risks.

Are there plans to expand the Auxiliary and Reserve forces to accomplish your readiness goals?

ADM Collins: The reservists and auxiliarists will figure materially in any of our plans. We mobilized 2,800 reservists at one time, and 50 percent of our Selected Reserve has been mobilized at one time or another. Auxiliarists augmented us in many ways, including administratively. We want to add roles for the Auxiliary and figure how they can help really configure units under our homeland security plan.

Does the CG have the money and resources to accomplish its increased homeland security missions in addition to its traditional missions?

ADM Collins: **We've received tremendous support from Secretary Mineta.** He recognizes the importance of the Coast Guard in all our missions. There will be unprecedented growth in our future budget. We have improved maintenance accounts and have been able to avoid laying up some ships and airplanes that otherwise would have been laid up. We have great support from our supplementals in the fiscal year 02 budget and strong support from the Secretary, President and Congress in the fiscal year 03 budget.

PEOPLE

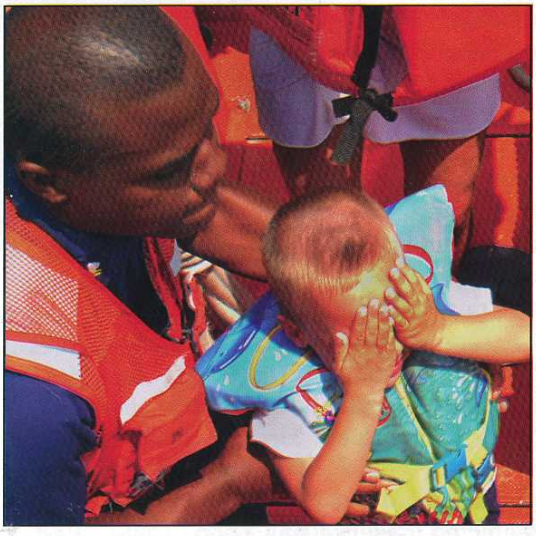
How will you maintain or increase Coast Guard diversity?

ADM Collins: Diversity is terribly important. The best way to stimulate innovation with positive change is to have a different set of eyes and different viewpoints, whether it's a racial, gender or education perspective. We need to do more of the same to increase diversity. We need to be active in recruiting geographically and across different ethnic, cultural, racial and educational backgrounds.

What qualities do you possess that will help you reach and connect with such a diverse workforce?

ADM Collins: I listen well, am tolerant, and I crave different ideas. I like people to think crazy — not stupid, but crazy. I challenge convention and the status quo. I also have two daughters. I'm outnumbered in a diverse household.

In your opinion, what are the greatest challenges the younger Coast Guard generation faces? What do you propose to do to alleviate some of the challenges?

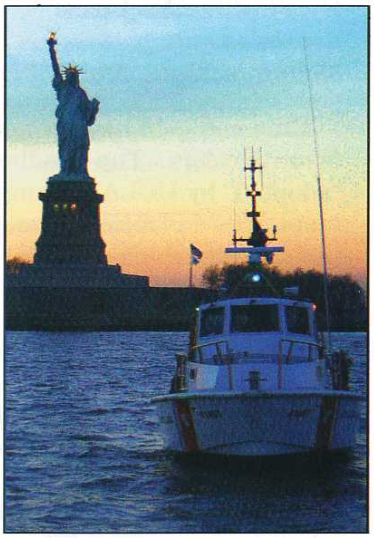


ADM Collins: Let me start off by saying **I'm terribly impressed by the young Coast Guard generation.** They are a knock-your-socks-off group of people. They're smart and they want to know the conflicts that are out there. They also want to understand how they fit in. The challenge is for seniors to communicate the big picture. The young people need to have the ability in today's world to manage and balance personal, professional and family goals. There is so much opportunity and desire to make a contribution, but there are real obligations at home. I've got to work to reduce the burden where a Coast Guard program can do that. We can also be mentors to them and provide an atmosphere that has a work environment with supervisors and leaders who are concerned about where that individual is in his or her personal and professional life and can provide some guidance and support to enhance that.

How will you further education, training and professional growth?

ADM Collins: One of our objectives is to become a learning organization, and we're going to ensure budget decisions we make contribute to that goal. By investing in training, education and the professional development of our people, we are being a little selfish because people

who belong to a learning organization will perform better, and we'll get a better outcome. To further education and training, we have partnered with the Department of Defense to create opportunities. There's also opportunity to get non-appropriated funds. The Coast Guard Foundation has expanded their scholarship programs and e-learning opportunities are growing.



What can people expect in terms of pay and quality of life in general?

ADM Collins: We want to ensure as pay compensation goes up in DOD we at least have equivalency in pay and compensation such as medical, BAH and Tri-Care for dependents. We will also look at various options in the private sector so there is less out-of-pocket expense for housing.

STEWARDSHIP

What role do junior enlisted personnel play in regard to stewardship?

ADM Collins: This is an important opportunity to clarify stewardship as it applies to different levels of the organization. **For our young people, stewardship means caring for what you've got, planning for what you need, developing public trust and having a concern for public interest and sharing resources.** We can practice stewardship at all levels. The person who has to manage the small boat station and decide how he or she spends his or her time on a particular patrol or tasking to get the best operational outcome is exercising stewardship. The person who knows how to manage inventory and a budget to order things, but doesn't overspend and waste is exercising good stewardship. If you live our core values, you are exercising good stewardship.

How will Deepwater directly affect our service and people?

ADM Collins: Deepwater will change the basic fundamental processes we use. How we assign, train and deploy people as well as our doctrine, tactics, logistics and personnel policies will all materially change with Deepwater. We will be able to analyze, acquire and disseminate information across the right platforms and systems, and that's the greatest leap forward. **Deepwater will give us the capability we need.**

PERSONAL GOALS

What do you hope will define your watch?

ADM Collins: If we get Deepwater right, build our homeland security and enhance security in the maritime sector, and we do it by being caring and committed to the well being of our people — if we can do those three things at the end of four years, we're doing pretty good.

And at the start of that four-year legacy the admiral is off to a busy start. During his first month as Commandant, Collins visited all the Coast Guard training centers to unveil his "people" initiatives for the upcoming fiscal year. That first month also saw the Deepwater contract awarded after years of planning. It is uncertain what the next four years will hold for the Coast Guard, but what is certain is that under Collins, many changes are to come that will set the stage for the future of the service.

UCLA Team "Adopts" SPAR

By Phyllis Chapman
Reprinted with permission from the Sierra Madre, Calif. Mountain Views, March 14, 2002

Blue and gold have become 88-year-old Jan Macauley's favorite colors. The Bradbury, Calif. resident has been "adopted" by UCLA's championship women's gymnastics team. Her "adoption" came before TV cameras at one of their meets which she attends, giving her moral support, at UCLA's Pauley Pavilion.

"They are real winners," said Macauley, herself a 1936 UCLA graduate who became a physical education teacher and coach. She became interested when she caught the team on TV as they won a championship and was very impressed with how well the team and their coach, Valorie Kondos-Field worked together. This prompted her to write Kondos-Field, expressing her admiration.

The coach contacted Macauley, and actually drove out to her home in Bradbury so the two could meet. She brought the team's blue and gold t-shirt, their carrying case as gifts and invited Macauley (and friends) to be guest at team meets, which Macauley has enthusiastically done.

UCLA has [one of] the country's top gymnastics program. Coach Kondos-Field actually trained as a ballet dancer but always had a deep desire to become "another Olga Korbut" (a 1972 Olympics winner). When UCLA needed a dance coach for its gymnast team, helping to teach balance, it was a dream trip for her to take the offer. This evolved into her being made head coach in 1990. She has guided her Bruin team to NCAA championships and she herself has been named Coach of the Year five times.

In 1943, during World War II, Macauley ended her teaching career to join the war effort. She became a lieutenant in the SPARs, the Women's Reserve for the Coast Guard, filling an important role of coding and decoding secret and confidential messages. Her third career came after the war when she and her late husband made TV documentaries.

Following Sept. 11, she and three other former SPARs were interviewed for the KNBC-TV News for their opinions about the Afghan War. In March 2002, she was invited to the Maritime Museum in San Pedro, Calif. for a special program. All this may seem like a heavy schedule for someone who is 88 years old, but Macauley has good health and is enjoying it all. It keeps her young, especially her involvement with this Bruin championship team and the SPARs.

Ed's note: The UCLA Bruins team finished third in the nation this past season. Macauley is also a member of the "Coast Guard Cutters" Unit 92 of WAVES National, a sea services women's veterans organization. She attended the WAVES National Convention Aug. 26-31 in Portland, Ore.

Photo courtesy Jan Macauley

SPAR Jan Macauley, center, with coach Valorie Kondos-Field and the UCLA women's gymnastics team.

"SPAR" - tacular Festival!

Photos by PA2 paul Roszkowski, USCG

Forty Coast Guard SPARs made their way to Coast Guard City to attend this year's Coast Guard Festival in Grand Haven, Mich. The Festival honored the SPARs during this, their 60th anniversary year. They were given special recognition at various Festival events including the National Memorial Service, Coast Guard Band concert, parade, community picnic, and fireworks. Many of the SPARs marched and rode in the parade Aug. 3 and Eleanor Fabyan of West Olive, Mich. served as Grand Marshal, leading the SPAR contingent in a yellow T-bird.

"We SPARs all agreed, the best years of our lives were as SPARs, but the second best years of my life were marching with the SPARs in Grand Haven," said Fabyan. "To be the Grand Marshal during this 60th anniversary year was a very proud and overwhelming moment for me. It has all come 'full circle' since 1975 when I marched alone, to this year's finale of sitting atop a convertible waving to the tremendous crowds."

Appearing in the 142-unit parade for the first time were the Pipes & Drums of the USCG. A "living, walking" U.S. flag was a big hit as was the always popular Scottville Clown Band. The Puddle Pirates won the annual softball tournament and the fireworks climaxed the 10-day event.

"The fireworks were simply out of this world," said Festival Director Roger Jonas. "Those in attendance said they have never seen a fireworks display like that in their lives. It's hard to say they were better than last year, but I think they were."

Top: Eva Schmidt of White Earth, N.D. salutes during the National Memorial Service. • Center: SPARs sing at the parade reviewing stand. Bottom left: Mary Phyllis Fenoglio of Glenview, Ill., left, and Juanita McKain of New London, N.H., proudly wear their SPAR uniforms during the National Memorial Service. • Bottom right: The Stars & Stripes come to life for the parade!

CWO4 James Roberts:

The Doctor is IN!

Photo courtesy CWO4 James Roberts, USCGR

Many Americans probably don't know that May 1st is Loyalty Day — a day Congress sets aside to recognize the solemn bond between America and its citizens. But those people who call Climax Springs, Mo. home — along with Coast Guard Reservist CWO4 James "Doc" Roberts — know all about it.

Loyalty Day was started by the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) in the 1930s as a deterrent to the anti-American activities of Communist agitators during parades in the USA. President Dwight D. Eisenhower made it a day of national observance on May 1, 1958. The central Missouri town of Climax Springs, population 1,100, is home to an annual Loyalty Day parade.

Enter Roberts who made contact with VFW Memorial Post 3600 in Climax Springs through his job as Reserve Liaison, Office of Work-Life at Headquarters. The locals in Climax Springs had not had much contact with the Coast Guard, so they asked Roberts to be the Grand Marshal of this year's parade.

"I went to this event with the notion that I would stay a couple of hours," said Roberts. "But I met many great people and ended up staying the entire day."

Roberts gave a short speech before riding in the parade. He told the audience about the Coast Guard and Coast Guard Reserve's contribution to the War on Terrorism.

"I also took Coast Guard flags with me and all the Girl Scouts carried them in the parade," chuckled Roberts.

Grand Marshal was just one more thing to add to a diverse military resume that began for Roberts in 1959 with a four-year stint in the Navy, followed by five years as a corpsman in the Marine Corps. His transfer to the Coast Guard Reserve occurred following a chance meeting with a Coast Guard recruiter in a Milwaukee restaurant.

"He was in uniform (a GM1), so I struck up a conversation with him," said Roberts. "He signed me up and the Coast Guard became my way of life. It [the Coast Guard] has been better than I thought it would be because of the people — I've never met a Coastie I didn't like. And of all the services, it has the most diversity, and I also like its humanitarian mission."

Once a member of the Coast Guard Reserve, Roberts began drilling at Station Sheboygan, Wis. and spent eight years there where he became a coxswain. In the early 1980s, he was one of the original 15 "plank owners' of the modern-day PSU program, and served with PSU 303 in Saudi Arabia. Other assignments included stints at Governors Island and PSU TRADET. He currently drills with PSU 309 in Ohio.

A Greencastle, Ind. native whose family owned both movie and drive-in theaters, Roberts has been married 32 years to Ruthann. They live in Whitefish Bay, Wis., a Milwaukee suburb, and have three grown daughters. "Doc" worked many years at St. Mary's Hospital in Milwaukee where he was the head of Nuclear Medicine and Ultrasound which he helped start in the early 1960s.

"I love what I'm doing now at Headquarters," said Roberts. "Every year in the Guard has been a good year. I only regret that some day I'm going to have to retire."

Contact CWO4 James "Doc" Roberts by writing: Commandant (G-WKW), USCG Headquarters, 2100 Second St., SW, Washington, DC 20593-0001; Phone: 202-267-2448; E-mail: jroberts@comdt.uscg.mil. If you know a shipmate who you think should be honored as "Citizen-Sailor of the Month," drop The Reservist a line.

Photo c[illegible]ry Ferrie, Climax Springs, Mo.

Roberts waves while in Climax Springs, Mo. where he was Grand Marshal in the Loyalty Day Parade on May 1, 2002. Above: At PSU 309's clinic in Port Clinton, Ohio.

Astonishing Sea Stories

Art and story by PA3 Ron Spellman
Color by PA1 Dave French,
Coast Guard Academy

IN BRIEF

• ACCESSING CGHRMS — Many reservists have contacted *The Reservist* about making their address changes in CGHRMS. ***Please note that CGHRMS is ONLY accessible through the Coast Guard INTRAnet using a CG Standard Terminal at this time.*** You are NOT able to access it using the INTERnet on your home computer...yet. Questions can be directed to HRSIC's CGHRMS Help Desk, Phone: 785-339-3540; E-mail: *HRSIC-CGHRMS@hrsic.uscg.mil.* Internet access should be coming soon.

• ANNUAL SCREENING QUESTIONNAIRE (ASQ) — Recently, all Ready Reservists (SELRES and IRR) received an ASQ in the mail. You were instructed to respond by either going into CGHRMS (via CG workstation) or by filling out the paper version and returning it in the enclosed return envelope. Paper returns are then sent to servicing PERSRUs via HRSIC for entry. As of July 31, 2002, only 19 percent of the responses are in CGHRMS. Your response is required by 10 U.S.C 10149 and 10205. Failure to respond or responding that you are unwilling or unable to mobilize may eventually result in you losing your SELRES pay billet and/or discharge (see ALPERSRU M02).

• CGHRMS: WHAT IT CAN DO FOR YOU — The Coast Guard Human Resource Management System (CGHRMS) allows users to see and manage their own Human Resource (HR) data in the HR and Pay Systems. CGHRMS provides quicker service and more accurate information, not just for you, but also for staff at Headquarters, MLCs and ISCs to manage the Reserve Program. If all SELRES members maintained their scheduled drills in CGHRMS, the aggregate result equals about $1 million more annually that becomes available for use by the Reserve Program for other things such as more drills, schools, training opportunities, more equipment, recruiting, etc. ALCOAST 383/02 announced an upgrade to CGHRMS effective July 24, 2002. ***This new CGHRMS software release allows for on line request, approval and payment of IDT drills.*** Reservists' supervisors can submit the drill for pay without PERSRUs. Detailed instructions are available at: *www.uscg.mil/hq/hrsic* or contact the CGHRMS Help Desk, Phone: 785-339-3540; E-mail: *HRSIC-CGHRMS@hrsic.uscg.mil*

• CGR T-SHIRTS / SWEATSHIRTS — A short sleeve version of the CGR t-shirt is now available in Coast Guard Exchanges. Cost of this dark blue 100 percent cotton crew-neck t-shirt with 4-inch diameter Reserve logo on the left is $9; long-sleeve t-shirt is $11 while the sweatshirt is $19. You can also order these items from the USCG Academy Web site: *www.shopcoastguard.com* (under "Coast Guard Logo Merchandise" — look for the CGR emblem). The CG Exchange System would like reservists' comments and suggestions on these items. Please send e-mail comments or suggestions to Karen Ondayko at: *kondayko@cg-exchange.com.* If you do not have access to the Web site or an Exchange, contact Nancie Bennett, CGES Academy Exchange Manager; Phone: 860-444-8487; E-mail: *NBennett@cg-exchange.com. The U.S. Coast Guard does not endorse this product; this is published as a service to our readers.*

• CGR HISTORY ON WEB — The Coast Guard Reserve Web site now has a history link thanks to the work of the Coast Guard Historian's Office. The site includes a historical bibliography, history of the CGR, historical chart of previous recalls to active duty, Persian Gulf War chronology and after-action reports. Check it out at *www.uscg.mil/reserve*

• CITIZEN-SAILOR STUDENTS — The 9th annual Citizen-Sailor issue will be honoring students. If you're a full or part-time student, we want to hear from you. Send us your story, approximately 100-150 words along with a photo of you at your school, and we'll print it in an issue later this fall. Deadline for submissions is Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2002.

• CWO PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSE — The Chief Warrant Officer Professional Development course (formerly, CWO Indoctrination Course) is open to all Chief Warrant Officers — active duty and reserve. A separate course for reservists is not offered. Sharing knowledge and experience between reserve and active duty CWOs is extremely beneficial. The course provides a unique learning environment for CWOs to gain valuable insights into how they fit in as an officer; improve and hone leadership, professional, and personal skills; develop camaraderie; and cultivate a network that will endure throughout a career. CWOPD convenes two and three-week courses at the Leadership Development Center, Coast Guard Academy in New London, Conn. Two-week courses are intended for graduates of the CPO Academy while the three-week courses are for CWOs that have not attended the CPO Academy. Your servicing ISC can assist with funding for the three-week course. For class quotas, contact CWOPD Program Manager, CWO Doris Hull, Phone:

202-267-2461, E-mail: *dhull@comdt.uscg.mil*. For CWOPD questions, contact CWO Guy Cashman, Phone: 860-701-6850, E-mail: *gcashman@cga.uscg.mil* or CWO Greg Hunton, Phone: 860-701-6837; E-mail: *ghunton@cga.uscg.mil*. For class convening dates and more info, check out the CWOPD Web site at: *http://www.cga.edu/ldc/CWOIhtm.htm*

• OPERATIONAL DRESS UNIFORM (ODU) AND ALL WEATHER PARKA — ALCOAST 348/02 discusses the Coast Guard's adoption of the ODU that will replace the working blue and undress blue uniforms. Also, the USCG will adopt an optional all weather parka to fill a long existing void in the USCG's standard foul weather uniform inventory. The adoption of the ODU represents the single largest change to our uniform inventory in the last 25 years. As soon as sufficient inventory can be obtained, all active and reserve enlisted personnel will be issued replacement in kind outfits. Service-wide implementation should be completed by the end of FY04. Manner of wear for both the ODU and parka will be described in detail in a future revision to the Uniform Regulations. To view the photos of the ODU, go to: *www.uscg.mil/hq/g-w/g-wp/udc/odu.htm*. Questions can be directed to Mr. Robert Gitschier, Commandant (G-WPM-1); Phone: 202-267-0730; E-mail: *rgitschier@comdt.uscg.mil*

• TRICARE PRIME FOR RESERVISTS ON LONG-TERM ACTIVE DUTY — Some TRICARE Managed Care Support contractors have expressed some concern for reservists with long-term active duty orders that terminate, and who are then given new orders that result in no break in service. Many of these members may not realize that if their family members are enrolled in TRICARE Prime, they are automatically disenrolled at the end of the first orders. They must reenroll with the new orders even if there is no break in service. Questions can be directed to your chain of command or Health Benefits Advisor.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 2002

• MEMORIAL WALL DEDICATION — The REBI classroom and lounge and a memorial plaque at TRACEN Cape May will be dedicated in honor of Coast Guard Reservists MK1 Jeffrey Palazzo and PS2 Vincent Danz, who both lost their lives Sept. 11, 2001. All Coast Guardsmen are welcome to attend. Friday, Sept. 27, 1 p.m., Munro Hall, TRACEN Cape May. For info, contact LCDR William Richardson, 609-898-6364; E-mail: *wrichardson@tracencapemay.uscg.mil*

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• FLEET WEEK SAN DIEGO — Oct. 4-26, 6th annual. For more info, contact San Diego Fleet Week Foundation, 5330 Napa St., San Diego, CA 92110; Phone: 619-858-1545; Web: *www.fleetweeksandiego.org*

• SPARS 60TH EVENT AT WIMSA — The year-long 60th anniversary celebration of the Coast Guard Women's Reserve (SPARs) continues Oct. 16-20 in conjunction with the fifth anniversary of the dedication of the Women in Military Service for America memorial in Washington, D.C. SPAR event headquarters is the Crystal City Marriott, 1999 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Va. For more information, contact CWO4 Betty Splaine, 703-960-2559. WIMSA Web site: *www.womensmemorial.org*

• RESERVE SERVICEWIDE EXAM — Is set for Saturday, Oct. 19. Good luck to all who are taking the test.

• COAST GUARD BALL — Saturday, Oct. 19, 5:30 - 11 p.m., Hyatt Regency Crystal City, 2799 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Va. For info, contact LTJG Talisha Lawrence; Phone: 202-267-2572; E-mail: *tlawrence@comdt.uscg.mil* *CG Intranet: http://cgweb.comdt.uscg.mil/wcgoa/*

• CGC CUYAHOGA 24TH COMMEMORATION — USCG Training Center Yorktown, Va. will hold the annual wreathlaying memorial service to commemorate the Oct. 20, 1978 collision of *CGC Cuyahoga* and *M/V Santa Cruz II*. The incident took the lives of 10 Coast Guardsmen and one Indonesian Naval Officer. This year's ceremony is Sunday, Oct. 20, 2 p.m. For more info, contact MKC William Every; Phone: 757-856-2860; E-mail: *wevery@tcyorktown.uscg.mil*

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• USCG FLAGS ACROSS AMERICA — The 4th annual Veterans Day USCG Flags Across America event, sponsored by the D.C. Chief Petty Officers Association, is Saturday, Nov. 9, 10 a.m. at Coast Guard Hill, Arlington National Cemetery. For info, see DC CPOA Web: *www.uscgcpoa-dc.org/faa/* E-mail: *uscgflags@yahoo.com*

• VIETNAM WALL'S 20TH ANNIVERSARY — Veterans Day 2002 will mark the 20th anniversary of the dedication of this Washington, D.C. landmark. See the Web site: *www.aug.edu/~libwrw/wall/welcome.html*

Three Times a Coastie

Graham Lanz is an Auxiliarist, civilian and now reservist

New Coast Guard Reservist wears multiple hats

On Monday, July 8, 2002, Graham Lanz was sworn into the Coast Guard Reserve during a ceremony at Coast Guard Headquarters. Following his stint at Reserve Basic Indoctrination this summer, SNBM Lanz will be drilling at Coast Guard Station St. Inigoes, Md.

So what, you might ask? There are folks joining the Coast Guard Reserve every day. But Lanz isn't your regular Coastie who decided to join the Reserve in the nation's time of need. This is Lanz' third affiliation with the Coast Guard. Lanz, a Cleveland native, is also a civilian program assistant in the Office of Plans, Policy, and Evaluation in the Resources Directorate at Coast Guard Headquarters, and a Flotilla Staff Officer (FSO) in Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 2-1 that is also based at Coast Guard Headquarters.

Lanz' interest in the Coast Guard wasn't based on the results of heavy recruiting or perhaps a scene in a movie or television show depicting Coast Guardsmen at work. A chance stop at the Coast Guard Academy in New London — on the way to a campus visit to Yale — started him thinking about the service.

While Lanz eventually attended the University of Michigan to obtain his Bachelor's Degree in political science, his interest in the Coast Guard led him to volunteer as an "intern" aboard the *CGC Neah Bay* as part of a senior year high school project. During his summers off from college, he volunteered at the Ninth District Legal Office. It was during this period that Lanz was introduced to the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Lanz underwent his first full affiliation with the Coast Guard by joining the Auxiliary in Cleveland. During breaks from college, he augmented the crew at Station Cleveland, often helping out on communications watches, conducting public affairs activities, and making visits to schools about water safety. After recently moving to the Washington, D.C. area where he's currently pursuing a Master's degree in Security Policy Studies at George Washington University, he transferred to his current Flotilla 2-1. Upon his arrival, the FSO for Materials position opened up, and Lanz immediately volunteered to take on this job, which involves acting as a central point for procuring and disbursing uniforms and other equipment that auxiliarists need to perform their activities. He also volunteered to serve in an Honor Platoon that represented all components of the Coast Guard at the Commandant's Change of Command May 30.

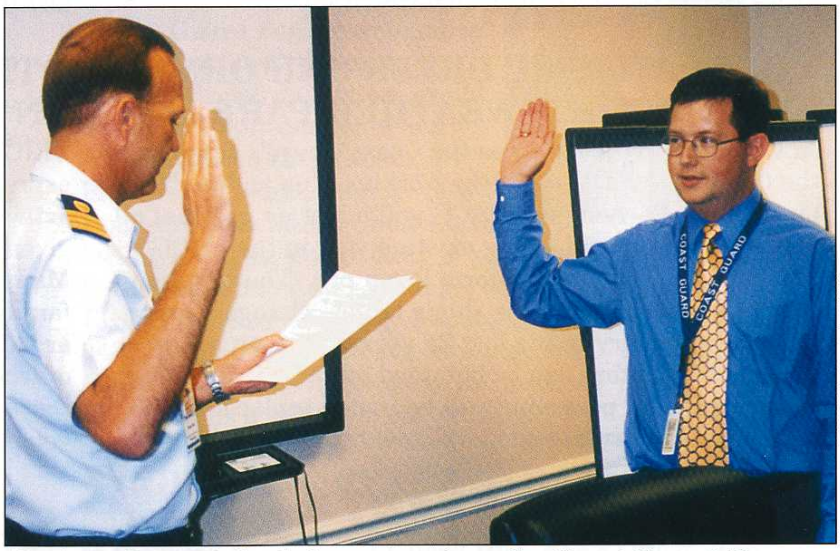


Photo courtesy LCDR Eric Bernholz, USCG

Graham Lanz right, being sworn into the Coast Guard Reserve by CDR Tom Criman, his supervisor at HQ in his "civilian life."

His second affiliation with the Coast Guard — as a civilian employee — began on Oct. 11, 2001, when he accepted a non-paid internship with the Office of Plans, Policy, and Evaluation (G-CPP) at Headquarters. Shortly thereafter, he was hired as a Program Assistant in the same office. He has helped complete many of G-CPP's products, including the Coast Guard Performance Plan, Performance Report, and Budget-in-Brief. His skills were immediately recognized by the Coast Guard's top leaders; he has drafted many items for the Commandant's signature as well as provided sound opinions as a part of high-level groups considering how to fit the Coast Guard's Homeland Security mission into our Strategic and Performance Goals.

And now, Graham Lanz has formed his third affiliation with the Coast Guard by enlisting in the Coast Guard Reserve. Based on his Auxiliary boat crew experience, Lanz enlisted as an SNBM. Ultimately, he hopes to be chosen for the Selected Reserve Direct Commissioning program as a Reserve officer.

When asked why he took this step of joining yet another part of the Coast Guard team, Lanz stated that he felt this was the time to take the next step toward a greater commitment to the service. Also, he felt that this next step would make him a better Coastie in all three of his identities — his experience in each job would complement the others. It's safe to say that Graham Lanz' blood runs red, white, and Coastie blue. He's planning to be a valuable part of the Coast Guard — in a variety of ways — for a long time to come.

— By LCDR Eric J. Bernholz, USCG Commandant (G-CPP-2)

Recruiting Briefs

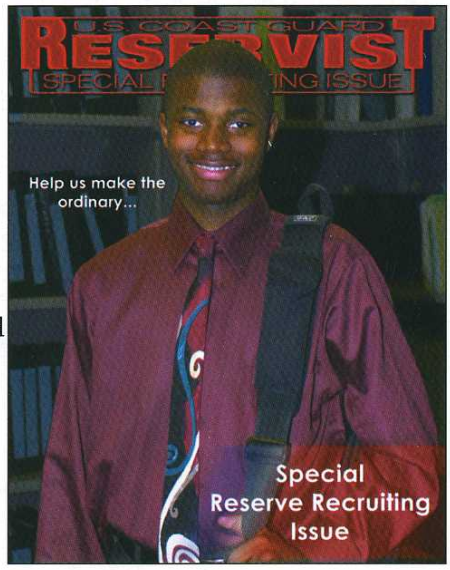
• **RESERVE RECRUITING PROGRAM CHANGES** - ALCOAST 423/02 announced several changes to Reserve Recruiting Programs. The changes are:

RP Program: Maximum age is raised from 27 to 30.
RK Program: Maximum age is raised from 27 to 30.
RY Program: OJT/IADT is increased from 30 days to not less than 90 days or more than 139 days.
RX Program: Minimum age is lowered from 26 to 21.

Recruiters should begin complying with theses changes immediately. These changes will be included in the re-write of the *Recruiting Manual*.

• **RECRUITING —** Know of a good candidate for the Coast Guard and/or Coast Guard Reserve? Have them check out the Coast Guard recruiting Web site at: ***www.gocoastguard.mil*** or call **1-877-NOW-USCG**.

• **SPECIAL RECRUITING ISSUE** — If you would like extra copies of the Special Recruiting Issue that came out this summer, please contact the magazine. Points of contact are listed on page 3. The issue contained recruiting posters and business cards that can be handed out to potential recruits.



Reunions

ON THE LOOKOUT...

• **GROUP MORICHES/SHINNECOCK, N.Y.** — Reservists reunion in Group AOR, location and date to be determined. Pass the word and contact BMC Ed Neale, USCGR(ret.), 42 Indian Head Dr., Sayville, NY 11782-1703; Phone: 631-589-3940; or QM1 Steve Wade, USCGR(ret.); E-mail: *bravepenguin2@aol.com*

• **LORAN STATION ANGAUR** — Looking for personnel that served aboard LORSTA Angaur (Palau) from 1945-78 for possible reunion. Contact: Bob Schnell, 964 West 4th St., Plainfield, NJ 07063-1370; Phone: 908-755-1847; E-mail: *sch52jas@aol.com*

• **RESERVE UNIT ALTOONA** — Former members of Reserve Unit Altoona Pa. are interested in contacting all former members to form an association to promote the USCG and its missions. Contact: CDR William Erbeck, USCGR (ret.), RR 5 Box 186, Tyrone, PA 16686-9743; Phone: 814-684-1327; E-mail: *WilliamErbeck@msn.com*

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• **CGC DUANE (WHEC 33) ASSOCIATION** — 11th annual reunion, Sept. 26-29, in Portland, Maine. Includes cruise, lobster bake, lighthouse tour and much more. Contact Paul Turner, 1103 Wharton Hollow Road, Summit NY 12175; Phone: 518-287-1900; E-mail: *paultrnr@midtel.net*

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• **CGC SPENCER (W-36)** — Oct. 10-14, Baltimore, Md. Contact Hank Rogers, 32 Freedom Court, Baltimore, MD 21220; Phone: 410-335-6826.

• **CGC COURIER (WAGR 410)** — Oct. 11-18, Mediterranean Hotel, Rhodes, Greece. Gala dinner celebrating 50th anniversary of Courier going to Rhodes. Contact Gil Riggs, P.O. Box 28, San Rafael, NM 87051-0028; Dave Newell; E-mail: *dnewell3@charter.net*

• **USS CENTAURUS (AKA-17)** — Oct. 17-19, 11th annual reunion, at Menger Hotel, San Antonio, Texas. Contact Adam Sluis, Editor, Maru Crew's News, 2224 Imperial G.C. Blvd., Naples, FL 34110; Phone: 239-591-0322; E-mail: *asluis@aol.com*

• **USCG YORKTOWN VETERANS ASSOCIATION** — Will conduct its first Annual Meeting at Yorktown, Va., Oct. 18-20, 2002. Planned activities include a cookout at the campground, celebration of Yorktown Day, the Annual Meeting and Banquet, brunch at the Port-O-York, and the Cuyahoga Memorial Service. Membership in YVA is open to all Coast Guard personnel who served 30 days or more on active duty at Yorktown since July 1959. Annual dues $5. Contact Lamar Jolly, 104 Jesse Street, Yorktown, VA 23693; E-mail: *LamarJolly@juno.com*; Phone: 757-875-1800.

• **COAST GUARD COMBAT VETERANS** — Oct. 28-Nov. 1, Reno, Nev. For reunion or membership info, contact U.S. Coast Guard Combat Veterans Assn., c/o Patrick E. Ramsey, 552 Stanley Spencer Mt. Road, Gastonia, NC 28056; Phone (toll free), 1-866-242-8277; E-mail: *cgcva@hotmail.com* New Web site: *www.coastguardcombatvets.com*

ADVANCEMENTS

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10 BRULOTTE B N, STA SEATTLE
11 PARISEAU D G, STA MAYPORT
12 FINNERTY D S, STA MERR. RIVER
13 RUOT E J, STA NEW YORK
14 SAARI J R, PSU 309
15 HERRING R L, PSU 313

INVESTIGATOR (IV)
IV3
2 MILIAN P D, CGIS SOUTHEAST REG
3 LOWE W C, CGIS SOUTHEAST REG
4 PRATT T J, CGIS CENTRAL REGION
5 CALLAGHAN K P, CGIS GULF REGION

PORT SECURITY SPECIALIST (PS)
PS3
7 SPINELLI R D, PSU 307

YEOMAN (YN)
YN3
5 BRIGHTON M L, GP BOSTON

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BOATSWAIN'S MATE (BM)
BMCM
4 MCGEE M R, STA CHINCOTEAGUE
BMCS
7 FERGUSON T D, STA BELLINGHAM
8 COSTELLO D E, GP PORTLAND
BMC
19 WILKINSON W T, ANT SAUGERTIES
21 MCINTYRE D J, STA CASTLE HILL
22 SCHAEFFER D P, STA PORTLAND
23 HOLLOWAY R B, MSO PADUCAH
BM1
23 DICKERSON S E, STA LORAIN
BM3
16 HARVEY P C, CGC MARLIN
17 CHINCHILLA R E, STA MIAMI BEACH

INVESTIGATOR (IV)
IV3
6 DAVILA A, GP ATLANTIC CITY

MACHINERY TECHNICIAN (MK)
MKC
11 LENZ D L, STA PORTLAND
12 THOMPSON J R, CGD ONE
13 STRICKLAND N H, STA PORTS. HBR
15 SMITH A W, GP LOWER MISSISSI
MK3
1 CAULFIELD C, STA GALVESTON

YEOMAN (YN)
YN3
3 RAY K N, ISC PORTSMOUTH
6 BOULAY H V, GP WOODS HOLE

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BOATSWAIN'S MATE (BM)
BMCM
5 MORRIS B W, STA HOBUCKEN
BMCS
9 FRITZ E W, STA GALVESTON
11 DOERNING D A, STA LA/LONG BEACH
BMC
24 ADAMS T E, STA CORTEZ
25 BAKER S R, STA SHINNECOCK
26 HETZEL M R, STA FORT PIERCE
BM3
18 KRIKORIAN D L, STA PT. ALLERTON

ELECTRICIAN'S MATE (EM)
EMCS
1 POMANSKI C J, ISC KETCHIKAN
EMC
3 SEWELL M P, CGC ADAK
4 ALLIONE J C, ACT BALTIMORE

ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN (ET)
ETC
1 DOUGHERTY J S, ESU ST LOUIS
2 MCCLAIN B G, ESU ALAMEDA
ET1
1 LIND D R, ESU SEATTLE
2 ROAKE K E, ATLANTIC STRIKE

HEALTH SERVICES TECHNICIAN (HS)
HSC
3 DOMINGUEZ E, GP CORPUS CHRISTI
4 PLUMMER C P, ISC MIAMI BEACH

INVESTIGATOR (IV)
IVCM
3 BARAGIOLA S T, CGIS LONG BEACH
IVCS
A KERIN B A, CGIS NORTHWEST REG

MACHINERY TECHNICIAN (MK)
MKCS
4 SHEEHY R R, ISC ST LOUIS
5 MARTINEZ F, MSO HOUSTON-
6 BENNING J A, STA CALUMET HARBOR
MKC
16 SEKERKA C D, STA STURGEON BAY
17 SCHIPPER J A, STA HUMBOLDT BAY
18 ROSE W D, STA LA/LONG BEACH
19 MOORE M S, STA GRAND HAVEN
20 FRATTINI G, STA SANDY HOOK

MARINE SAFETY TECHNICIAN (MST)
MSTCS
6 REEVES J C, MSO SAN FRANCISCO
MSTC
19 KHODADAD B, MSO JACKSONVILLE
20 ALLYN W P, MSO MOBILE
21 DODGE D D, MSO SAN DIEGO

STOREKEEPER (SK)
SKCS
1 LITEL C A, MLCPAC
SKC
5 RIVERA C, ACT NEW YORK
SK1
15 MILLER R A, ISC BOSTON
16 HOWARD T R, MSO MOBILE

TELEPHONE TECHNICIAN (TT)
TTC
3 GRESAK R P, ESD BALTIMORE

YEOMAN (YN)
YNCS
5 JOHNSON L L, MSO PITTSBURGH
YNC
9 THOMPSON K D, GP BOSTON
10 FULCHER M S, HQ SUPRT CMD (A-1)
YN1
21 HAHN P S, NESU SEATTLE
22 HOTOP C D, GP ST PETERSBURG
23 GEITH D A, GP FORT MACON
24 REISER D K, ISC ST LOUIS
25 DONEY T P, ISC SAN PEDRO
26 AYERS G M, CGC WILLIAM TATE
27 SHARER M A, GP CORPUS CHRISTI
28 BROOKS J L, STA PENSACOLA
YN2
20 KEMP S C, MSO HAMPTON ROADS

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BOATSWAIN'S MATE (BM)*
BM3
19 W R JANSEN
20 S S BATCHELOR
21 G G WELLS

ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN (ET)
ETC
03 S L DIXON
ET1
03 T C VILLANI
04 W G BURGUESS
05 S D MANRY

TELEPHONE TECHNICIAN (TT)
TTC
04 R E COOK

YEOMAN
YN3
07 L R LOPEZ
08 D M ALVARADO

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BOATSWAIN'S MATE (BM)
BM3
022 M C ROSEMEYER, GRP LOWER MISS
023 J L DOUGLAS, AUXOP HOLLAND

DAMAGE CONTROLLMAN (DC)
DC3
001 J G WERNSING, ISC ST. LOUIS

HEALTH SERVICES TECHNICIAN (HS)
HS1
011 B G CONN, ISC ALAMEDA

YEOMAN (YN)
YN2
021 M VALENZUELA, HRSIC
YN3
009 B L TRUMBULL, MSO TAMPA

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RET-1
(Retired With Pay)

FEBRUARY 2002

CAPT Ignacio Riveracordero, D7
CDR James R. Bybee, D11
CDR Frederick D. Fisher, D7
CDR Jon R. Hamilton, D11
CDR Steven C. Martin, D11
LCDR Winston J. Boudreaux, D8
LCDR Paul C. Edmiston, D11
LCDR Stephen C. Pilant, D8
LT Joseph R. Henke, D7
LTJG Thomas C. Boyle, D13
CWO4 Louis D. Bottiglieri, D7
CWO4 Frank M. Centra, D8
CWO4 Nelson T. Lawrence, D9
TCCM Jean M. Walker, D11
PSCS Manuel E. Punzal, D14
DC1 John W. Miller, D5
EM1 James R. Scharf, D9
FS1 Miguel J. Bosch, D5

MARCH 2002

CDR Patrick T. Eisenhart, D1
CDR Jack D. Nelson, D11
CWO4 Portia R. Fullgrabe, D8
CWO4 Douglas P. Macarthur D7
IVCS Jonathan R. Lebow, D1
[illegible]CS William G. Barrett, D9
[illegible]MC Donald W. Dewys, D8
IVC William J. Wood, D7
PSC Jim D. Thomas, D8
TCC William H. Nolan, D11
BM1Earl B. Diemer, D7
ET1 Raymond C. Allen, D11
PS1 Ronnie L. Brown, D5
PS1 Robert E. High, D9
PS1 Rufus M. Johnson, D7
YN2 Stanley R. Register, D8
PS3 Bobby R. West, D5

APRIL 2002

CAPT Stanley A. Nasitka, D11
CAPT Walter A. Schmidlin, D1
CDR Gary J. Fields, D13
CDR Kenneth R. Harrison, D7
CDR Daniel P. Kaczur, D5
CDR James W. Kunkle, D9
LCDR John H. Taylor, D7
LT Robert H. McFaden, D8
CWO4 Barbara J. Brooks, D7
CWO2 Gordon F. Johnson, D5
BMCM Thomas J. Oneill, D1
FSCS Renato P. Cervantes, D11
MKC John C. Flynn, D1
[illegible]K1 George L. Larose, D9
[illegible]S1 Chester S. Pietrowski, D1
PS1 Rudolph Somma, D1
TC1 Sharilyn M. Womack, D7

MAY 2002

PSCS Sal Aloisio, D1
PSC William J. Reisa, D2
BM1 Keith L. Wilson, D5
MK1 Guy Frattini, D1
MK1 Robert B. King, D13
MST1Robert C. Golden, D7
MST1 Robert W. White, D8
PS1 Deborah A. Butynski,, D8
PS1 John M. Zuniga, D8
MK2 Alvin M. Sherrod, D8
QM2 Erick G. Vancuren, D11
GM3 William L. Harvey, D5

JUNE 2002

CAPT Gordon K. Swain, D7
CAPT Ernest J. Teichert, D11
CDR John S. Adams, D1
LT Anthony J. Kuzdza, D1
CWO4 Edward V. Dettwiller, D11
CWO3 Dean R. Hirst, D11
TTCM Woodrow W. Petersen, D11
DCCS Homer L. Spaulding, D7
IVCS Joseph R. Bochenek, D7
HSC Peter J. Cirone, D8
HSC Oren S. Cooper, D7
PSC Duane E. Koski, D9
PSC Roger S. Linson, D8
PSC Ralph N. Melillo, D8
PS1 Thomas B. Insely, D5
PS1 Daniel M. Lane, D5
EM1 George S. Lopez, D8
EM1 Dave J. Lowrie, D13
FS1 Harry G. Surman, D7
MK2 Thomas L. Kelly, D1

RET-2
(Retired Awaiting Pay)

JUNE 2000

LT Wilfredo A. Segarra, D7

FEBRUARY 2002

LT Michael P. Houtz, D5
MSTCS Bobby W. McCowan, D8
ET1 Thomas P. Glines D8
MK1 Lysle F. Burows, D1
MK1 John J. Rother, D8
PS1 Gregory D. Roberts, D11
YN1 Lucy M. Greerboland, D8
MK2 Corey J. Jones, D11

MARCH 2002

CAPT Richard K. Miller, D13
CDR Joseph F. Bardouille, D1
LCDR James D. Henry, D5
LCDR Melvin L. Kince, D5
LCDR Brenton P. Lebish, D11
CWO4 William A. Lunden, D1
RDCM Brian T. Pendleton, D1
AMTCS William N. Cavanaugh, D7
MSTC Tommie D. Wright, D8
MKC Richard S. Forsythe, D11
MKC Stephen W. Stahl, D5
PSC Rafael A. Munoz, D7
YNC Peter Stevens, D1
EM1 Walter N. Wilson, D1
IV1 Jo A. McLaudhin, D11
MK1 John R. Webb, 13
PS1 Veverit W. Tice, D8
YN1 Roderick M. McDonald, D1
MK2 Bradley F. Webster, D11

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CAPT Robert West, center, retired this year after 35 years, eight months service in the Coast Guard Reserve. His last assignment was as Commanding Officer and Plans Officer for NCW Group Two at Cheatham Annex, Williamsburg, Va. Left to right, CDR Christine Quedens, CAPT Wayne Buchanan, CAPT West, Commodore Ramsey, USNR, CDR Malia, USNR.

Retirements,
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MST2 Mark R. Pease, D13
PS2 Philip C. Baehrle, D1
PS2 Andrew J. McSparron, D11
SK2 Mark S. Schwartz, D11

APRIL 2002

CWO4 Douglas D. Smith, D11
CWO2 Stephen Gager, D8
YNCM Patricia L. Haugen, D13
GMCS William M. Runkle, D2
YNCS Thomas J. Palagano, D5
BMC Walter C. Barnard, D1
PSC Joseph P. Muchow, D9
TCC John P Dunn, D7
BM1 Charles H. Hunter, D7
FS1 Ronald W. Vennard, D1
HS1 Donald S. Supenski, D9
MK1 Alan J. Chaplis, D1
MK1 David A. Sage, D8
MST1 Vincent J. Romano, D1
PS1 Thomas W. Hughes, D1
PS1 Robert E. Houghton, D7
EM2 John Foro, D9
MK2 Scott E. Allen, D7
MK2 David B. Chaney, D8
MK2 Michael J. Conway, D8
MK2 ScottM. McDade, D11

MAY 2002

CAPT Robert W. Staton, D11
CDR Gregory P. Coleman, D5
CDR Stephen M. Levine, D1
LCDR Ronald L Barela, D11
LCDR Paul B. Gansle , D1
LT Robert A. White, D5
BMCS Paul D. Houlden , D1
PSCS Robert L. Shores, D13
QMCS Tom J. Rau, D 9
BMC Frederick M King, D8
PSC Alvis E. Roper, D8
SKC Richard A. Dickinson, D2
DC1 Emiterio M. Pena, D8
ET1 Jim V. Slaughter, D7
MST1 Richard L. Helpenstell, D13
PS1 Jerry L. Kleppin , D 9
PS1 Wayne M. Leimbach, D11
PS1 John McDougall, D1
PS2 Gerald E. Ruyle, D9
YN2 Janet D. Blair, D1

JUNE 2002

CAPT Keith C. Gross, D1
CDR Charles A Sledd, D5
LCDR George R. Feid, D1
LCDR James R. Fields, D7
LT Eric W. Carter, D13
CWO4 Anthony B. Bernice, D1
TTCS Jeffery A Hoffman, D1
DCC Edward P. Rush, D5
EMC Ronald W. Grantham, D13
MSTC Gary W. Reynolds, D5
QMC Franklin D. Schafer, D13
DC1 Gary S. Mclain, D13
ET1 Larry S. McClain, D8
FS1. Michael R. Muksian
MK1 Linda L. Bollinger, D13
MK1 Michael D. Harvey, D14
PS1 Thomas D. Bordelon, D13
PS1 Ernest D. Holston, D1
PS1 Gordon T. Landon, D13
SK1 John W. Haney, D11
SK1 Dorothy A. Medaris, D8
YN1 Frank B. Kawano, D8
YN1 Judith A. Lockhead, D1
YN1 Gerald M Owen, D7
DC2 Dennis W. Dopps, D13
YN2 Sandra J. Spidell, D13
MK3 Jefferson F. Stevens, D5

AUGUST 2002

MKCS Alan J. Nelson, D11

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TAPS

• **CAPT Warren F. Barnes,** USCGR (Ret.), of Winchester, Mass., April 14, 2002. Capt Barnes is survived by his wife, Mattie.

• **CAPT Bernard B. Beaulieu**, USCGR (Ret.) of Hanson, Mass., July 10, 2002. He is survived by his wife, Meredith.

• **CAPT Thomas J. Curtin**, USCGR (Ret.), of Monroe Township, N.J., May 5, 2002. Survived by his wife, Betty.

• **CAPT Edwin H. Draine**, USCGR (Ret.), of Glenview, Ill., May 24, 2002. He is survived by his nephew, Larry Phillips. Interment Glenview, Ill.

• **CAPT Walter L. Henson**, USCGR (Ret.), of Houston, May 11, 2002. Interment Rustland Cemetery, Dallas, Texas. He is survived by is wife, Gloria; and his daughter, Sara Lenzer.

• **CAPT Arthur S. Langlie**, USCGR (Ret.), of Seattle, May 24, 2002, from a brain hemorrhage. He is survived by his wife, Jane; and his daughter, Karin L. Glass.

• **CAPT Richard F. Nelson**, USCGR (Ret.), of Naperville, Ill., April 16, 2002. He is survived by his wife, Margit. Interment Naperville.

• **CDR Robert W. Allen**, USCGR (Ret.), of Marysville, Wash., April 6, 2002, from natural causes. He is survived by his former wife Gloria; and his current spouse Tammy R. Martin.

• **CDR George E. Bourne**, USCGR (Ret.), of Salt Lake City, Utah, May 2, 2002, from Pulmonary Fibrosis. He is survived by his daughter, Christie Segal; and nephew Russell Rasband.

• **CDR Emmett T. Cardwell, USCGR (Ret.)**, of Richmond, Va., July 21, 2002. He is survived by his wife, Jean.

• **CDR Ann B. Comeau**, USCGR (Ret.)., of Alta Vista, Ariz., Feb. 23, 2002. She is survived by her husband Ralph. Interment Chandler, Ariz.

• **CDR Paul W. Faulhaber**, USCGR (Ret.), in Jamestown, N.Y., June 18, 2002. He is survived by his wife, Penny, of Punta Gorda, Fla.

• **CDR Francis J. Linduska**, USCGR (Ret.), of Glen Ellyn, Ill., April 8, 2002. He is survived by his daughter, Janice L. Langford.

• **CDR Llewelyn B. Tucker, Jr.**, USCGR (Ret.), of

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Members of MSO Chicago, along with familiy and friends, held a memorial for MST3 Brian M. Martin on Lake Michigan.

Lanesborough, Mass., June 15, 2002. He retired from the Coast Guard Reserve February 2, 1993. CDR Tucker is survived by his wife, Laura.

• **LCDR George M. Abney**, USCGR (Ret.) , of Athens, Ga., May 27, 2002. He is survived by his wife, Beth. Interment Athens, Ga.

• **LCDR Robert F. Andrews**, USCGR (Ret.), of Kittery, Maine, June 8, 2002. He is survived by his wife, Annette; and his daughter, Nancy Johnson.

• **LCDR Robert B. Angrisani**, USCGR (Ret.), of Walkersville, Md., May 19, 2002. He is survived by his wife, Joyce

• **LCDR Edward J. Pilotte, Jr.**, USCGR (Ret.), Feb. 13, 2002.

• **LT Victor F. Rothus,** USCGR (Ret.), of Charlotte, N.C., June 20, 2002. He is survived by his wife, Claire; a daughter, Carol.

• **CWO4 William K. Turner**, USCGR, June 2, 2002. He drilled at Coast Guard Group Woods Hole, Mass. Survivors include former spouse, Barbara; a son, Billy, and daughter, Kate; a sister, Kathleen Pratt. Graveside services were held June 7 at Interment Bourne National Cemetery, Otis Air National Guard Base, Mass.

• **CWO3 Charles B. Robbins, Jr.**, USCGR (Ret.), of Ocala, Fla., April 9, 2002. He is survived by his wife, Donna; and brother, Donald. Interment Bushnell, Fla.

• **CWO2 Robert P. Carney**, USCGR (Ret.), of Melbourne, FL., July 8, 2002. He retired from the Coast Guard Reserve April 29, 1992. CWO2 Carney is survived by his wife Barbara; and daughter Caryl Gazzola.

• **BMCS John A. Hakkinen,** USCGR (Ret.), of Vancouver, Wash., March 26, 2002. He is survived by his wife, Barbara.

• **BMCS Robert W. Stoney**, USCGR (Ret.), of Lawrence Mass., April 13, 2002. BMCS is survived by his two daughters, Carole Stoney; and Roberta McDermott.

• **BMC Virgil L. Hebert**, USCGR (Ret.), of Sandusky, Ohio, April 7, 2002, from aspiration pneumonia. He is survived by his daughter, Virginia. Interment Ohio Veterans Home Cemetery, Sandusky, Ohio.

• **FIC James J. O'Farrell**, USCGR (Ret.), of Scottsdale, Ariz., May 7, 2002, following a stroke. He is survived by his wife, Mary; and his daughter, Rita Trainor. Interment Phoenix, Ariz.

• **BMLC Vernon A. Suydam,** USCG (Ret.), of Stoney Brook, N.Y., April 24, 2002. He retired from the Coast Guard Reserve July 1, 1957. He is survived by his niece, Virginia Wentz.

• **SKC Elizabeth B. Dalton**, USCG SPAR, 79, of Norfolk, Va., April 12, 2002. She served at Long Beach, Calif. during World War II and was a charter member of The Women in Military Service For America Memorial Foundation.

• **FT1 Ronald F. Magoon**, USCGR (Ret.), of Globe, Ariz., July 14, 2002. He is survived by his wife, Sue. Interment Globe, Ariz.

• **MK1 Mondal E. Nelson**, USCGR (Ret.), of Dunbar, W.Va., March 9, 2002. He is survived by his wife, Virginia.

• **PS1 George M. Hodgdon**, USCGR (Ret.), Dec. 15, 2002.

• **MST3 Brian M. Martin**, USCGR (Recalled to Active Duty), 28, of Chicago, April 13, 2002, from injuries suffered in an off-road vehicle accident. He served at MSO Chicago and was a three-year veteran of the Chicago Police Department. He is survived by his wife, Tammy; daughters Hannah, 3, and Abigail, 3 months; parents Marty and Joyce; a sister, Jennifer. Services were held at St. Mary Star of the Sea Church, Chicago. Interment Willow Hills Cemetery, Willow Springs, Ill.

• **Margaret Roberts,** a former employee of the Coast Guard who worked many years for the Office of Reserve at Headquarters, passed away during March 2002. Services were held at Reid Temple AME Church, Lanham, Md. on March 30. Interment Harmony Cemetery.

Ed's note: The majority of this information is taken directly from Personnel Casualty Reports published by HRSIC. Survivors listed are the only ones published in these HRSIC reports. Information is also taken from obituaries sent in by family members and friends.

Reservist Yearly Pay Chart

The following is the annual salary a resrvist can expect to make in a year if they perform all 48 drill periods and 14 days ADT.

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	Years of service														
Paygrade	<2	2	3	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26
Commissioned officers															
O-10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23,977.26	24,095.68	24,596.02	25,469.60
O-9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,971.50	21,273.44	21,709.92	22,472.52
O-8	14,839.08	15,325.16	15,646.94	15,737.46	16,139.22	16,812.54	16,968.78	17,607.38	17,790.90	18,340.22	19,136.30	19,870.38	20,360.80	20,360.80	20,360.80
O-7	12,330.56	13,168.18	13,168.18	13,264.28	13,759.66	14,136.62	14,572.48	15,007.72	15,443.58	16,812.54	17,969.46	17,969.46	17,969.46	17,969.46	18,059.98
O-6	9,138.80	10,039.66	10,698.72	10,698.72	10,739.64	11,199.06	11,260.44	11,260.44	11,632.44	13,031.78	13,695.80	14,359.82	14,737.40	15,119.94	15,862.08
O-5	7,309.80	8,582.04	9,176.62	9,288.22	9,657.74	9,657.74	9,947.90	10,484.82	11,187.90	11,895.32	12,232.60	12,564.92	12,943.12	12,943.12	12,943.12
O-4	6,248.98	7,609.26	8,117.04	8,230.50	8,701.70	9,084.86	9,705.48	10,189.08	10,524.50	10,861.78	10,975.24	10,975.24	10,975.24	10,975.24	10,975.24
O-3	5,779.64	6,552.16	7,071.72	7,643.98	8,009.78	8,411.54	8,746.96	9,178.48	9,402.30	9,402.30	9,402.30	9,402.30	9,402.30	9,402.30	9,402.30
O-2	4,993.48	5,687.26	6,550.30	6,771.02	6,911.14	6,911.14	6,911.14	6,911.14	6,911.14	6,911.14	6,911.14	6,911.14	6,911.14	6,911.14	6,911.14
O-1	4,335.04	4,511.74	5,452.90	5,452.90	5,452.90	5,452.90	5,452.90	5,452.90	5,452.90	5,452.90	5,452.90	5,452.90	5,452.90	5,452.90	5,452.90
Commissioned officers with more than four years' active duty as warrant officer or enlisted member															
O-3E	-	-	-	7,643.98	8,009.78	8,411.54	8,746.96	9,178.48	9,541.80	9,749.50	10,034.08	10,034.08	10,034.08	10,034.08	10,034.08
O-2E	-	-	-	6,771.02	6,911.14	7,130.62	7,502.00	7,789.06	8,002.96	8,002.96	8,002.96	8,002.96	8,002.96	8,002.96	8,002.96
O-1E	-	-	-	5,452.90	5,824.28	6,039.42	6,258.90	6,475.28	6,771.02	6,771.02	6,771.02	6,771.02	6,771.02	6,771.02	6,771.02
Warrant officers (for Army, Navy and Marine Corps)															
W-5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,262.24	10,614.40	10,967.80	11,322.44
W-4	5,971.84	6,424.44	6,609.20	6,790.86	7,103.34	7,412.10	7,724.58	8,029.62	8,345.20	8,647.76	8,957.76	9,260.32	9,574.04	9,882.80	10,199.62
W-3	5,453.52	5,914.80	5,914.80	5,991.06	6,235.96	6,514.96	6,883.66	7,108.30	7,353.82	7,634.06	7,912.44	8,191.44	8,469.82	8,748.82	9,029.06
W-2	4,797.56	5,071.60	5,310.92	5,485.14	5,634.56	5,942.08	6,167.76	6,394.06	6,614.16	6,857.20	7,107.06	7,356.92	7,605.54	7,856.02	7,856.02
W-1	4,236.46	4,583.04	4,815.54	4,965.58	5,191.26	5,424.38	5,658.12	5,890.00	6,124.98	6,359.34	6,592.46	6,768.54	6,768.54	6,768.54	6,768.54
Enlisted members															
E-9	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,076.06	7,236.02	7,438.76	7,676.84	7,916.16	8,151.14	8,469.82	8,786.02	9,231.80
E-8	-	-	-	-	-	5,906.74	6,077.24	6,236.58	6,427.54	6,634.62	6,850.38	7,068.62	7,384.20	7,697.92	8,138.12
E-7	4,106.26	4,482.60	4,653.10	4,820.50	4,995.96	5,296.66	5,466.54	5,634.56	5,803.20	5,978.04	6,148.54	6,318.42	6,614.16	6,805.12	7,288.72
E-6	3,515.40	3,866.32	4,037.44	4,202.98	4,375.96	4,659.30	4,830.42	4,995.96	5,165.22	5,286.74	5,379.12	5,379.12	5,379.12	5,379.12	5,379.12
E-5	3,227.10	3,441.62	3,607.78	3,778.90	3,953.12	4,195.54	4,361.08	4,532.82	4,532.82	4,532.82	4,532.82	4,532.82	4,532.82	4,532.82	4,532.82
E-4	2,983.44	3,136.58	3,305.84	3,472.62	3,621.42	3,621.42	3,621.42	3,621.42	3,621.42	3,621.42	3,621.42	3,621.42	3,621.42	3,621.42	3,621.42
E-3	2,693.90	2,863.16	3,034.90	3,034.90	3,034.90	3,034.90	3,034.90	3,034.90	3,034.90	3,034.90	3,034.90	3,034.90	3,034.90	3,034.90	3,034.90
E-2	2,561.22	2,561.22	2,561.22	2,561.22	2,561.22	2,561.22	2,561.22	2,561.22	2,561.22	2,561.22	2,561.22	2,561.22	2,561.22	2,561.22	2,561.22
E-1	2,284.70	2,284.70	2,284.70	2,284.70	2,284.70	2,284.70	2,284.70	2,284.70	2,284.70	2,284.70	2,284.70	2,284.70	2,284.70	2,284.70	2,284.70

THE BEST OF TIMES, THE WORST OF TIMES

Someone has said, "These are the best of times, these are the worst of times." How true that statement holds for today's Coast Guard.

Let me explain. On the best of times, the Coast Guard has a commander in chief that has repeatedly stated his support for the Coast Guard, and we also have a Secretary of Transportation that has embraced the Coast Guard. Both ADM Loy and now ADM Collins have made the members of the Coast Guard their primary concerns. Last year, we received the largest pay increase we have received over the last several years. In the President's State of the Union address, he said he would submit to Congress another pay increase for America's Armed Forces. In July, a contract was approved for the Coast Guard's Deepwater Project. This multi-year contract will upgrade the Coast Guard's coastal fleet and provide our Service with some of the latest technology and equipment.

Current projections call for the Coast Guard Reserve to grow to 9,000 members in fiscal year 2003. This would be an increase of 1,000 members in just one year. ADM Collins has stated that he would like to see the Coast Guard Reserve grow to 12,500 in the "out years." For our members, advancement is basically an open road and job opportunities abound.

All of these can be looked upon as the "Best of Times."

While it is certain that reservists have support from the President, Congress, Secretary of Transportation, and the Commandant, it is *Team Coast Guard* who has the ability and responsibility to keep these days from being the "Worst of Times."

For example, in fiscal year 1999, the CG Reserve ended with 8,110 members, in fiscal year 2000, 7,965 members and fiscal year 2001, 5,199* members. It is apparent that if we, who are in the Reserve, expect our numbers to grow, then this trend has to be reversed. And, while the Reserve is expected to grow, the Active Duty enlisted force is also expected to grow as well. At the end of fiscal year 2002, Active Duty enlisted billets are projected to be 28,428; at the end of fiscal year 2003, 29,274; fiscal year 2004, 31,087.

Certainly, recruiting is a challenge for *Team Coast Guard*. However, recruiting is not the only way that our Team can succeed. The Team must also look at retaining our members, both on the Active Duty side and the Reserve side. The Team must also encourage Active Duty members, whose enlistment is up, to join the Reserve.

One other aspect of retention falls on the Team's leadership. For example, last year, the Chiefs Call to Initiation theme was "Mentoring...It's your job, Chief."

When I joined the Navy in 1969 for a four-year Active Duty tour, most of us young recruits came from what would be considered "normal homes." Today, however, that is not the case. Many of our young men and women come from broken homes where there was not a mentor. Our young recruits make some of the highest test scores of all the Armed Forces, but, these scores do not always reflect how well or how long that member will perform. It falls on our shoulders to ensure that our new members are receiving the training and guidance they need to perform their jobs safely and efficiently.

As stated earlier, the new growth levels will result in greater advancement for our members. The concern is that our new members will not be as "seasoned" in their jobs as they have traveled through the ranks so quickly.

There is one more concern that I wish to share with you. Recently, I saw a Gallup Poll that was titled, "Most Prestigious Military Branch." As the title implies, it reflected how each Service was rated as "prestigious." The poll showed that 39 percent of those polled considered the Marines as being the most prestigious, 28 percent said the Air Force, 13 percent said the Navy, 13 percent said the Army and 1 percent said the Coast Guard. One dictionary says that the meaning of the word prestigious is "status or esteem in the eyes of others."

Now, we who are members of this great "Team" know what we do and how well we do it. However, it appears that it is not good enough just for the "Team" to know that. We must wear our uniform with pride and let our actions reflect a sense of pride. We must be our own advocate and let others know that America's Coast Guard is second to none in every respect.

Once again, these times can be the "Best of Times or the Worst of Times."

It all depends on us.

** Numbers are taken from the 2002 Reserve Forces Almanac and 2002 Uniformed Services Almanac. The 5,199 does not include 2,751 recalled to Active Duty following Sept. 11, 2001.*

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