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LETTER FROM THE WEBMASTER



LT Toves, Reserve Webmaster, and MCPO Jeff Smith.

I would like to start out by welcoming MCPO Jeffrey Smith as the new Reserve Force Master Chief. He brings a lot of experience and enthusiasm to this position. I'm sure it will help him guide our Reserve program to new levels of excellence. I first met MCPO Smith when he was the LANTAREA Reserve Force Master Chief. He was always willing to provide help and get information out to the troops. I look forward to working with him as the Coast Guard and Coast Guard Reserve enters another new year. Welcome Master Chief!

There are many things to look forward to in 2004: the new Operational Dress Uniform, unlimited commissary benefits, and several new MSSTs and PSUs. As we enter our second year as a key member of the Department of Homeland Security, the Coast Guard Reserve will always be ready for the call. One way you can help us be ready is to take advantage of all promotion opportunities and make it a point to study for the Reserve service wide exam (RSWE) regularly. We are in an era where we can be quickly recalled to active duty to support the War on Terrorism. Taking the RSWE means a chance at advancement, which translates to more money in your paychecks — which will help ease any monetary burdens.

I know many of you are doing significant and important things in the Reserve program. Please help me capture these in the pages of *The Reservist* magazine and on the Reserve Web site. I periodically hear from several members, but I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to share your experiences in *The Reservist* magazine and Reserve Web site. If you have a story or photos you would like to share, please send them to CWO Kruska or me. We try to stay abreast of the current activities of reservists, but you will have a better chance of being heard if you speak to us directly.

Don't forget that the Coast Guard Reserve birthday is approaching (Feb. 19). Maybe some of you can share pictures and stories of what your command is doing to celebrate! Also, the next issue will be the 10th annual "Citizen Sailor" issue where we honor reservists' civilian occupations and employers. If you have an employer who has done a great job of supporting the Coast Guard, please let us know. We would like to give a special tribute to employers who have gone above and beyond the call.

Shipmates, another year is upon us...continue to do an excellent job and thank you for your service!

— *LT Scott Toves, USCGR*
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Special Notice: The 2004 Pay Charts were scheduled for this issue, but as we went to press they had not yet been printed in the Federal Register. They will be printed in a future issue of The Reservist.

Thanks from Granados family

The Granados family wishes to thank everyone involved with the Sept 5, 2003 building dedication ceremony at Kings Point, N.Y., especially: CAPT Dan Croce, for arranging and organizing the event; the members of the Coast Guard family who participated, especially RADM Vivien Crea, RADM Robert Papp, and CAPT Craig Bone; the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, especially superintendent VADM Joseph Stewart, and the staff of the new station at Kings Point, especially Chief Christopher Robinson and MK3 Joshua Acerra. Thanks



also go to the staff of *The Reservist* for the wonderful coverage of the ceremony in the October 2003 issue.

— Teresa, Maureen, & Kathleen Granados
Hicksville, N.Y.

A Hero Comes Home

I just wanted to take a moment to comment on the article “A Hero Comes Home” from the November 2003 issue of *The Reservist* magazine. The article was the most moving, inspirational and humbling article I have ever read concerning our service. LCDR Bartolotta and PA1 Smith should be commended for their outstanding efforts. Their work captured the true essence of what it means to serve or have served as a member of the United States Coast Guard. If I were young enough, I would reenlist in a flash!



On another note, the article referenced a Coast Guard Pipe Band. Can you provide more information on that entity? I played the snare drum at TRACEN Cape May during my recruit training (Whiskey 100) and also played with a police emerald society pipe band in New York. Please keep up the good work. It is greatly appreciated!

— Special Agent John J. Flood
Quantico, Va.

Ed's note: Thank you for the letter! The Coast Guard Pipe Band is an all-volunteer effort by a group of Coast Guardsmen nationwide. To learn more, check out their Web site at: www.uscgpipeband.org

Surprised by “Taps”

I was surprised to read the obit of CAPT Arthur E. Fanning (November 2003). But what surprised me more was the lack of information regarding his splendid service to our country and the Guard. He took part in the invasion of France on D-Day and was a source person for Samuel E. Morrison, the well known historian for the U.S. Navy in World War II. He subsequently became an active reservist, eventually serving as commanding officer of ORTUPS 03-853, in what was then the Third Coast Guard District. I served as his executive officer.

— CDR Robert J. Bell, USCGR(Ret.)
Lake Worth, Fla.

Ed's note: Thanks for letting us know about the career highlights of CAPT Fanning. The “Taps” column is generated each month from personnel casualty notices received from the Personnel Service Center in Topeka. Most of these include only the basic facts of the Coast Guardsman’s passing. Unless a family member or friend sends the magazine an expanded obituary, we have nothing to go on. That is why some of notices in the “Taps” column are lengthy, while others are very short.

Gold Rating Badge and Service Stripes

Has the requirement for enlisted personnel to wear a gold rating badge and service stripes been changed? It has always been my understanding that 12 years of good conduct was required for enlisted personnel to wear gold on their left sleeve. Page 39 of the November 2003 *Reservist* contains a photograph of an enlisted member with **one** gold service stripe and a gold rating badge. During my 38-year association with the Coast Guard, which includes enlisted service as a regular and reservist, I have never seen an enlisted member wear gold with less than three service stripes.

— LCDR Edward W. Sampt, USCGR(Ret.)
Kensington, Conn.

Ed's note: The photo you refer to is YNC Nathaniel Sargent receiving an award from CAPT Louis Farrell at the NERA Convention in Buffalo, N.Y. According to the Coast Guard Uniform

Regulations, COMDTINST M1020.6E, “One service stripe shall be worn for each full four years of active or reserve service in any of the Armed Forces or any combination thereof. The color of the service stripes will be scarlet for E-1 through E-6 and gold for E-7 through E-9 and the MCPO-CG with the background the same color as the jacket.” (Section 3.D.2.b). The Uniform Regulations also state, “The colors of the chevrons are scarlet for E-4 through E-6 and gold E-7 through E-9, and MCPO-CG” (Section 3.D.2.d). YNC Sargent, 2002 Reserve Enlisted Person of the Year, has been in the Coast Guard Reserve since 1996 and will receive another service stripe during 2004.



Point...now Counterpoint!

In response to HTC Iglesias' letter, "Consolidate PS' into BM rating," (November 2003), the PS rating is the greatest asset the Coast Guard has. As a Reserve-only rating, we encompass many quals — we're PIs, FIs, BOs, EMs, inspectors, investigators, and even small boat crew. Maybe in the Chief's day...as a Navy Hull Technician we were beach patrol, but nowadays we train Navy MAs in their jobs as masters at arms. We also protect Navy ships in foreign ports. As a Coast Guard Port Security Specialist Chief in a Navy Coastal Warfare Unit (HDC 208), the PS and BM ratings bring a higher degree of professionalism to the Armed Forces with fewer personnel needed to do the job then compared to our Navy.

Further, the BM rating has, as does the PS rating, too many loops to jump through already, since we work for MSOs, not ships without trying to do each other's jobs. The BM rating works all types of vessels and the Coast Guard's knowledge of the water is far outstanding to the Navy's in many ways. We in the Coast Guard are used for other things too like law enforcement, search and rescue, inspections and investigations. Again, unlike our brothers in the Navy, we're multi-operational in our tasks. Maybe the HTC needs to reexamine this knowledge of our rating since he left the service. There are more port security specialists on active duty doing more to protect this nation and the Navy's assets then he appears to have knowledge.

— PSC Buddy Pepin, USCGR
Panama City, Fla.

Thank you from the Chief!

I want to thank you very much for putting the picture of my daughter and myself in *The Reservist* (July/August 2003, page 15). The magazine reaches a lot of readers because my daughter received a lot of e-mails from her friends and they were surprised that I too was in the Coast Guard and a Chief at that. I, too, was contacted by my classmates and friends.

— BMC Danny Galindo, USCGR
Gainesville, Fla.

Ed's note: Thanks for the note, Chief. We're continually amazed by the "reach" of this magazine across the nation and how our reservists use it as a networking tool as well.

Check Phones & Web Sites

In this high tech age, Web sites and phone numbers are continually changing. All information listing phone numbers and Web sites should be checked for accuracy since this information is continually being updated by its owner. In fact, sometimes it changes even before it's in print.

— CWO4 James "Doc" Roberts, USCGR
Washington, D.C.

Ed's note: CWO4 Roberts is correct and this remains a big (and sometimes very frustrating) challenge at the magazine. We do verify Web sites and phone numbers but they do change, even in the middle of printing an issue.

Recruiting Success Stories

I just returned home from a 10-month deployment with PSU 309. We spent over a month in Sicily and the rest of the time in Kuwait. I returned home to check out the latest Reserve recruiting edition of *The Reservist*. As usual, the contents were great with many valuable resources that non-recruiters can use to assist the full-time recruiters in recruiting future Coasties. The reason I am writing is in regards to my previous work with the Coast Guard Reserve as a Temporary Active Reserve Recruiter (TARR) on ADSW.

I had the pleasure of working at Recruiting Office Cleveland for about a year before my parent unit was recalled for deployment. The thing that differs so greatly with our recruiters and those of our sister services is the fact that the Coast Guard is so small. In my situation, my main focus of recruiting was the PSU (which I was a member of) in order to keep it at C2 status for deployment purposes. Since we are such a small service, you are bound to run into someone you had a hand in recruiting somewhere down the line.

In a nutshell, I recruited 12 individuals that I can think of, and I deployed with four of them. That is what is so special about the Coast Guard — I recruited, trained, and then worked with individuals that I brought in. Even though I was being paid as a recruiter, I still had the potential to train, work with, and in some instances, even work for those that I brought in. I would always ask myself, "Could I work with this person everyday?" In my case, I might have to. That made it easy to pick and choose whom to recruit.

While performing as a coxswain overseas on countless occasions, I had the joy and privilege of having my recruits serve under me as crew and engineers. It gave me a great feeling of pride in them, in the service and the work in which recruiters do. Just thought your readers might like to read about some success stories from the field of recruiting. Eventually, I am planning on returning to my previous position of recruiter.

— BM3 Rob Van Brocklin, USCGR
Lakewood, Ohio



Van Sice Named Director of Reserve & Training

RADM James Van Sice has been selected as the next Director of Reserve & Training (G-WT). Van Sice is currently serving as Deputy Director of Operations, Headquarters United States Northern Command, Peterson AFB, Colo.



Van Sice was commissioned as an Ensign upon graduation from the United States Coast Guard Academy in 1974. His first duty assignment was aboard the CGC *Munro* (WHEC 724) where he served as Anti-Submarine Warfare Officer and Deck Watch Officer. In 1976, he graduated from Naval Flight Training in Pensacola, Fla. A command pilot in C131 Convair and HU25 Falcon aircraft, Van Sice has approximately 5,000 total hours in fixed and rotary wing aircraft.

In addition to a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from the U. S. Coast Guard Academy, he holds a Master of Science in Engineering from Purdue University and a Master of Arts degree in business from Webster College. His military education includes U.S. Navy Anti-Submarine Warfare School in San Diego, U.S. Air Force Navigator training, Jet Engine Accident Analysis, and Aircraft Mishap Analysis.

Van Sice has served in a variety of command and staff assignments including Chief of Operations and Chief of Staff for the Eighth Coast Guard District in New Orleans, and Commander of Coast Guard Air Station Borinquen, Puerto Rico, a key overseas Air Station located centrally to one of the Coast Guard's busiest law enforcement operations area. He also has operational command experience on the Gulf of Mexico and in the Pacific Northwest.

He served as a Flight Instructor and Check Pilot, and as Head of the Engineering Division at the Aircraft Repair and Supply Center, Elizabeth City, N.C. RADM Van Sice's awards include two Meritorious Service Medals, the Coast Guard Commendation Medal, Coast Guard Achievement Medal, and Commandant's Letter of Commendation Ribbon with Operational Distinguishing Device, three National Defense Service Medals, two Humanitarian Service Medals, Coast Guard Sea Service Ribbon, Expert Rifleman Ribbon, and Pistol Sharpshooter Ribbon.

RADM Van Sice will relieve RADM Robert J. Papp, Jr. during the upcoming transfer season. See sidebar for a list of all Flag officer assignments.

2004 Flag Officer Assignments

From ALCOAST 556/03 (P 191530Z DEC 03), COMDTNOTE 1321.

Commandant (G-C)
Vice Commandant (G-CV)

ADM T.H. Collins
VADM T.M. Cross

Area Commands

LANTAREA
Sr. Reserve Officer/LANTAREA
PACAREA
Sr. Reserve Officer/PACAREA

VADM(Sel) V.S. Crea
RADM(Sel) J.C. Acton III
VADM(Sel) H.E. Johnson
RADM D.C. Smith

Joint Interagency Task Forces

Director, JIATF South
Director, JIATF West

RADM J.J. Hathaway
RADM(Sel) R.R. Kelly

District Commands

First District
Fifth District
Seventh District
Eighth District
Ninth District
Eleventh District
Thirteenth District
Fourteenth District
Seventeenth District

RADM(Sel) D.P. Pekoske
RADM S. Brice O'Hara
RADM D.B. Peterman
RADM R.F. Duncan
RADM R.J. Papp
RADM K.J. Eldridge
RADM J.M. Garrett
RADM C.D. Wurster
RADM J.C. Olson

Maintenance & Logistics Commands

MLC Atlantic
MLC Pacific

To Be Determined
RADM J.A. Breckenridge

Headquarters Units

Academy Superintendent

RADM R.C. Olsen

Headquarters Staff

Chief of Staff (G-CCS)
Deputy Asst. Comdt. For Intelligence & Investigations (CG-2D)
Asst. Comdt. For C4 & Info Tech (CG-6)
Asst. Comdt. For Planning, Resources & Procurement (CG-8)
Asst. Comdt. for Acquisition (G-A)
Prog. Exec. Ofr., Deepwater (G-D)
Asst. Comdt. for Gov. & Pub Aff (G-I)
Chief Counsel/Judge Adv. Gen (G-L)
Asst. Comdt. for Marine Safety, Security Envir. Protection (G-M)
Dir. of Port Security (G-MP)
Asst. Comdt. for Operations (G-O)
Dir. of Operations Capability (G-OC)
Dir. of Operations Policy (G-OP)
Asst. Comdt. for Systems (G-S)
Asst. Comdt. for Human Res. (G-W)
Dir. of Health & Safety (G-WK)
Dir. of Personnel Mgmt. (G-WP)
Dir. of Reserve & Training (G-WT)
Homeland Security Council, Senior Dir, Border & Trans Sec (HSC)
Dept. of Homeland Security
Deputy J-3, U.S. Northern Command

VADM T.W. Allen
RADM S.W. Rochon
RADM C.I. Pearson
RADM R.R. Houck
RADM D.G. Gabel
RADM P.M. Stillman
To Be Determined
RADM J.E. Crowley
RADM T.H. Gilmour
RADM L.L. Hereth
RADM R.D. Sirois
RADM D.W. Kunkel
RADM J.W. Underwood
RADM E.M. Brown
RADM K.T. Venuto
RADM P.J. Higgins
To Be Determined
RADM J.C. Van Sice
RADM (Sel) F.M. Rosa
RADM (Sel) T.S. Sullivan
RADM (Sel) A.E. Brooks

2003 CGR Outstanding Junior Officer named

PSU 308's LT Philip Snodgrass is the recipient of the Coast Guard Reserve's 2003 Outstanding Junior Officer award. This national award, sponsored by the Reserve Officers Association since 1983, is presented to the junior officer judged to be the most outstanding based on exemplary performance of Coast Guard duties, civic accomplishments, demonstrated leadership ability, and notable contributions to the Coast Guard.

As training and boat division officer, Snodgrass tackled the challenge of preparing PSU 308 for deployment to the Middle East in support of Iraqi Freedom, crafting a personnel qualification and certification program that helped the unit attain the highest possible readiness rating in under six months.

He is currently deployed with his unit and is responsible for 49 officers and enlisted personnel. His civic accomplishments include service as a Mobile, Ala. police lieutenant in charge of 22 white-collar crime investigators. He also serves as a youth minister and counselor at his church, supports two underprivileged children overseas, and is a volunteer member of the Mobile Safety Council and Mobile County Child Death Review Board.

"This award is truly the result of sacrifices made by many and not just an individual effort," said Snodgrass.

"I am honored to be serving with the best of the best and to join the ranks of those who have served our country during conflict. My greatest desire is to live worthy of the blessing that the Lord has bestowed."

The award will be presented during the ROA Mid-Winter Conference slated for Jan. 25-28 in Washington, D.C. ALCOAST 570/03 (R 241818Z DEC 03) announced the award winner. For a list of all previous winners since the award's establishment in 1983, see the January 2003 *Reservist*, on line at www.uscg.mil/reservist



**LT Philip Snodgrass, PSU 308
2003 Outstanding Junior Officer**

2003 Nominees

Congratulations to the outstanding nominees for this year's ROA OJO award:

LT Tiffany Danko, PACAREA
LT Alex Lomvardias, MLCLANT
CWO2 William Lyness, D1
LT Christa Jackson, D5
LTJG John Fitzgerald, D7
LT Thomas Morgan, D8
LT John Freidhoff, D9
LT Dale Vogelsang, D11
LT Jeffrey Engle, D13
LTJG Ted Richardson, D14
LT Kenneth Pounds, HQ

Thirteenth Coast Guard District, ISC Seattle Win 2003 Waesche Award

The Thirteenth Coast Guard District and Integrated Support Command Seattle have been selected as the 2003 ADM Russell R. Waesche Award recipients. Sponsored by the Reserve Officers Association, this award recognizes the Coast Guard District and supporting Integrated Support Command judged to be the most supportive of a totally integrated Coast Guard military force.

The Thirteenth District and ISC Seattle focused on homeland security and search and rescue while continuing to meet other legacy missions, utilizing reservists to meet mission critical requirements of *Operation Neptune Shield*, the Coast Guard bridging strategy and other essential military operations. During FY03, D13 and ISC Seattle issued 332 sets of recall orders under 10 USC, including 112 for Port Security Unit 313, which deployed to the Middle East in support of *Operation Iraqi Freedom*. In the D13 Area of Responsibility, reservists served on command staffs at the District office, Groups and Marine Safety Offices, as members of small boat crews and in other key surge positions, enabling D13 units to meet the full range of Coast Guard missions.

Operational highlights involving significant Reserve support in the D13 AOR include over 400 Sea Marshal

boardings, 10 explosive loadouts, 436 harbor patrols and nearly 1,800 container inspections.

Runners up were: Fourteenth District/ISC Honolulu, Eleventh District/ISCs San Pedro and Alameda, Eighth District/ISCs New Orleans and St. Louis (who won last year), Seventh District/ISC Miami, Fifth District/ISC Portsmouth and the First District/ISC Boston (who won in 2000 and 2001).

The award will be presented to Thirteen District representatives at the Coast Guard Congressional Reception held in conjunction with the Reserve Officers Association Mid-Winter Conference in Washington, D.C. Jan. 26.

The Thirteenth District has now won the Waesche Award 10 times, more than any other district: 1969, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1992, 1996, 1997, 1999 and now, for 2003. This year's Waesche Award winner was announced in ALCOAST 569/03 (R 241756Z DEC 03).

The Waesche Award was established in 1961 in recognition of the exceptional foresight, understanding and wisdom of ADM Russell R. Waesche in conceiving, planning and developing the Reserve of the United States Coast Guard. It is presented

by the Coast Guard Affairs Committee of the Reserve Officers Association, and awarded annually to a District for outstanding achievement.



PSU 311 wins Family Readiness Award

SAN PEDRO, Calif. — Coast Guard Port Security Unit 311 in San Pedro, Calif. is the recipient of the 2003 Reserve Affairs Family Readiness Award (RAFRA). The Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs established the RAFRA to recognize the top unit in each of the Reserve Components of the Armed Forces that has demonstrated outstanding family readiness while maintaining superior mission readiness.

PSU 311 put an emphasis on preparing family members for potential unit mobilization and provided an aggressive support network for families during deployment through personal and electronic support. A public web site was created and maintained, providing a consistent means for communicating to families of unit members and provided family

members with links to information concerning MWR locations, DEERS, OASD/RA, TRICARE, etc. PSU 311 also provided its ombudsman with a toll-free number, pager/voicemail and international calling card so family members could obtain immediate support and assistance.

The PSU 311 family readiness program ensured the readiness of the unit to carry out its wartime missions during the unit's extended OCONUS deployment during FY 2003.

The award will be presented to PSU 311 at a Feb. 13 Pentagon ceremony. Winners from the other Reserve components will also be honored.



Coast Guard Assists with Annual Coastal Cleanup

MIAMI, Fla. — On a hot and humid Saturday morning in September a small group of volunteers congregated on a stretch of beach at Crandon Park in Key Biscayne, Fla.

U.S. Coast Guard volunteers were there to clean a two-and-a-half mile stretch of road at the park. They were joined by more than 100 volunteers from the Maritime and Science Technology (MAST) Academy, U.S. Navy Seabees, Gulliver Academy and World School of the Arts, among others. For the next three hours, the group was busy picking up things ranging from cigarette butts to shoes that had been left behind by beachgoers. On the horizon, snorklers and divers were seen cleaning the ocean near the coast. By the end of the cleanup there was a total of 64 bags of trash accumulated, weighing more than 636 pounds!

The International Coastal Cleanup is a one-day volunteer event created with the simple objective of removing trash from coastlines, as well as identifying the causes of the pollution. Started in 1986 by a member of the Center for Environmental Education, the event keeps expanding each year. On a larger scale, the cleanup reached an international level in 1989 when Canada and Mexico joined the event. Today, ICC events are conducted in 123 countries around every major body of water, with well over five million volunteers participating.

"The work done is critical to the health, safety and beauty of Crandon Park and particularly Bear Cut Preserve, the last



AMT3 Jeremy Drummond helps with the cleanup efforts during the annual Coastal Cleanup.

ecosystem of its kind in Miami-Dade County," said Ernest Lynk, Recreation Specialist for Dade County Parks and Recreation. Coast Guard and Coast Guard Auxiliary members were intricately involved in getting the word out and letting people know the event was taking place. Even though it has been going on for 18 years, 2003 marked the first time District Seven partnered with the Ocean Conservancy. With more than 15 cleanup sites in Miami-Dade, volunteers could choose where to go to lend a hand.

"Cleaning efforts are important to help maintain our beaches. It is an amazing amount of trash found, not biodegradable, that hurts the environment," said PO1 Stephanie Parker.

Another great asset of the ICC is that they keep records of all the trash and debris volunteers lift every year. Trying to keep track of the trash helps in the understanding of where all this is coming from and

who is mostly responsible.

"Without this effort to contain "micro-trash" in the park, its visitors and wildlife would suffer," Lynk said.

The ICC has turned into an international effort with the common goal of cleaning every major body of water. The cleanups help increase awareness of the state of our oceans, how debris affects marine wildlife, the magnitude of the problem, and how to help. For more information, check the ICC Web site: www.coastalcleanup.org

— Story and photo by PA3 Carleen Drummond, D7 Public Affairs, Miami

Drug Bust “Down by the River”

BMC Joseph Petrina, MK1 Fred Stipkovits, and BM3 Nick Rumbaugh of MSO Pittsburgh stand with marijuana plants removed from “12 Mile Island” near Pittsburgh Sept. 8, 2003. MSO Pittsburgh joined forces with the Pennsylvania State Police to confiscate four pounds of marijuana in a first of its kind operation for the unit. On an average day, Coast Guard personnel seize \$9.6 million worth of illegal drugs.



Photo courtesy ENS Jesse Garrant, USCG



Photo by PO Dave Hardesty, USCG

Let Freedom Sing!

Members of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy Glee Club and Coast Guard Band lend their voices and music to Smart & Final’s “Let Freedom Sing” float in the Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena, Calif. Jan. 1, 2004. The float won the “Tournament Special Trophy” for exceptional merit in multiple categories for floats 55 feet or longer. It was the third year the company has honored the U.S. Coast Guard by asking members to participate.



Photo by Lorraine Dietzle, Coast Guard SPAR

New PS “A” Course Graduates

The new seven-week Port Security Specialist “A” school Class 01-04 graduated Nov. 21, 2003, at TRACEN Yorktown, Va. The group even assisted with Hurricane Isabel relief efforts. Front Row: SNPS Justin Tassin. Second Row, l to r: Mr. Dan Montgomery, instructor; SNPS Benjamin Hucke, SNPS Jesse Tricon, SNPS Jimmy Rodriguez, SNPS Bradford Duclos, Honor Graduate; SNPS Brian Bowman, SNPS Matthew Wolanski, Class Leader; SNPS Anthony Fuentes, SNPS Christopher Cartier, PS3 Julie Regina, Class MAA. Third

Row: MSTCS C. Stevenson, Assistant School Chief, Mr. Ross Colquhoun, instructor; Mr. Greg Smith, instructor; SNPS Michael Economides, SNPS Clifford Johnson, SNPS Mark Ecker, SNPS Gary Woodruff, Class Yeoman; SNPS Matthew Laurence, SNPS James Giovannini, GMC K. Robinson, Class Weapons Instructor; Mr. Jeff Baker, instructor; Mr. Chuck Lindsey, instructor; MST1 C. Davis, Class Advisor; Mr. Samuel Solivan, instructor. Back row: CWO4 D. F. Allen, School Chief.

Gulf Strike Team Reservists Participate in “HAZWOPER & Response Member Academy”

MOBILE, Ala. — More than 20 reservists assigned to the Gulf Strike Team (GST), located at ATC Mobile participated in an intense two-week formal classroom and performance based hazardous materials training program recently. The training sequence was designed to assist Reserve members in satisfying the GST’s requirement to become “Response Member (RM)” qualified.

Presented on site, primary instructors for the training program were GST reservists with specialized training and qualifications gained from a combination of professional credentials, prior Coast Guard active duty service, and relative civilian employment skills.

The first week consisted of a 40-hour Hazardous Waste Operations (HAZWOPER) class. This training satisfies OSHA requirements for assignment to hazardous materials release events and remediation jobsites as Hazardous Materials Technicians. The classroom training was



Viscous Oil Pumping System (VOPS) is deployed in a GST test tank.

complemented by practical “dress out” exercise scenarios requiring members to don all levels of personal protection equipment and perform tasks routinely encountered during hazardous material response activities. During the second week, GST reservists participated in a “RM Academy,” which was designed to mirror the NSF “Oil Week” curriculum. This training focused on the operation of oil and chemical spill recovery systems located within the GST inventory.

The goal of the training program was to meet the requirement of RM as the basic level of qualification for all GST personnel with the final outcome being transparent deployment of unit personnel to GST jobsites. Recent GST deployments include the World Trade Center disaster, Capitol Hill Anthrax incident, and the Colombia Shuttle disaster recovery. The National Strike Force is comprised of three Strike Teams and the National Strike Force Coordination Center.

— By LT Yardley S. Bailey and LT Kenneth Pounds

Santa makes “big waves” with Coast Guard!



Santa gave his reindeer a rest and rode with the Coast Guard in Apra Harbor during a visit to Coast Guard Marianas Section Guam Dec. 13. Coxswain BM2 Gerri Cabrera and crew members BM1 Alex Brown and MK3 Victor Wharf, safely delivered Santa to Victor Wharf where a small throng of children waited.

The Most, Nicest Thing!



Photo courtesy CWO Dianne LaCava, USCGR

ISC Miami’s Force Optimization & Training Branch adopted a family this year and made Christmas dreams a reality. Front row, standing behind shiny new bikes are Kiara, Terry and Kerry. Middle: Diane holding granddaughter Mia. Back row: CPO Victor Berrios, CPO Andy Gonzalez, LCDR Cassandra Johnson, and CWO David Burns. The children sent the Coasties thank you letters for doing “the most nicest” thing.

D7 All Hands

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Just north of the birthplace of the Coast Guard Reserve (St. Augustine, Fla.) another milestone event for the Reserve took place recently. More than 120 reservists from more than a dozen units gathered Dec. 6-7 for a combined All Hands weekend at the Jacksonville Radisson Hotel. It was the first time in recent memory that this many reservists attended an All Hands weekend in D7.

Reservists from Group Mayport, MSO Jacksonville, and the Jacksonville Military Outload attended the weekend training that covered administrative and health issues; pre-mobilization, UCMJ, Code of Conduct and legal issues.

Speakers for the weekend included retired RADM Bob Merrilees, former Senior Reserve Officer (SRO) for both the Atlantic and Pacific Areas; CAPT Ron White, Headquarters; CAPT David Lersch, COTP Jacksonville; CDR Melissa Bert, D7 Legal; LCDR Mark Wilbert, Group Mayport

Commanding Officer; and LCDR Pete Conley, Group Mayport. CWO3 Jack Klein organized the event and was assisted by CWO4 Lisa Evers and YNC Gail Owens.

— By PA2 Dana Warr,
Public Affairs Detachment Jacksonville



Photo by MSTCS Russ Hoyer

Reservists from more than a dozen units attended All Hands weekend in Jacksonville.

Underway the Navy Way

LTJG Ted Richardson, USCGR, right, joined Command Master Chief Roger Cauley, left, and the crew of USS Gary (FFG 51) in Guam to sail back to Gary's homeport in Yokosuka, Japan. USS Gary had been deployed to the Persian Gulf for a six-month deployment. Richardson says he got a good taste of ship life on a USN vessel and identified the similarities and differences of USN/USCG ship operations.



Photo courtesy LTJG Ted Richardson, USCGR

Hawaiian All Hands



Photo courtesy CPO Andrew Uish, USCG

Reservists in Honolulu await inspection at an All Hands held Sept. 5-6, 2003 in Honolulu. The All Hands allowed for completion of some annual training requirements. RADM Mary P. O'Donnell of PACAREA also presented some reservists with awards, such as the Achievement Medal for LTJG Doreen Vining for service at ESU Honolulu.

News Briefs

Coast Guard NASCAR Race Team

Justin LaBonte will be behind the wheel of the 2004 Team Coast Guard Racing/LaBonte Motorsports No. 44 Dodge following a successful season in which he won the 2003 late model stock championship at Caraway Speedway in Asheboro, N.C. Justin is the son of two-time NEXTEL Series champion Terry LaBonte and nephew of Bobby LaBonte, winner of the 2002 NEXTEL Championship and the 1991 NASCAR Busch Series Championship. The Team Coast Guard Racing Car will be unveiled in February during Speedweek in Daytona, Fla. Team Coast Guard Racing will participate in 15 races of the 2004 NASCAR Busch Grand National Series, beginning with the Texas Motor Speedway April 3 and finishing at Homestead-Miami Speedway Nov. 20. For a complete list and more info, see ALCOAST 555/03.



*Detachment MOTBY and some of the 41-foot UTBs, crews and support personnel.
Photo by PAC Bob Laura, USCGR*

Recalled Reservists Create Large Small Boat Concentration During Operation Liberty Shield

NEW YORK — With the War on Terrorism escalating after 9/11, and the need for added security during the war in Iraq, increased security patrols were necessary for the Port of New York/New Jersey.

Coast Guard Station New York, located on Staten Island, lacked the facilities needed to support the extra Utility Boats (UTBs) required to patrol the harbor and the additional personnel that would man them. A site was chosen for the newly formed detachment on the New Jersey side of the Hudson River, at a recently closed Army Post, the Military Ocean Terminal Bayonne (MOTBY). During OpSail 2000, MOTBY was home to over 40 UTBs and is the current homeport of Activities New York Aids to Navigation vessels

and crews. MOTBY became the location of this newly organized unit staffed and manned by reservists recalled to active duty.

Beginning in January 2003, floating docks were assembled and office and communication trailers brought in. Reservists quickly installed electricity, solved waste management issues regarding the handling of bilge water and waste oil, leased vehicles, set up an armory, storage facilities, lighting, fuel tanks, dumpsters and heads. A security perimeter was established and computer systems, telecommunications and fax/copiers were installed.

“The learning curve was very high,” said CWO Darryl Bourassa who was in charge of supply. “In a short period of



time we needed many necessary items to get everything up to speed. Inventory management became very challenging. We were able to account for everything down to the miscellaneous.”

Crews began arriving with their boats in late January and throughout February, and were temporarily assigned to Station New York. On March 11, Detachment MOTBY commenced operation with Reserve crews from New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and throughout New England.

The proper operation of a 41-foot UTB, under current Coast Guard manpower standards, requires a crew of four. For the conditions necessary for the protection of the port, six crews would be needed for each boat in order to run them continuously, 24/7. Additional Reserve engineers were required as well as medical, administrative and security personnel. At any given time, an average of 226 reservists were assigned to the detachment.

“We became self-sufficient here in meeting training qualifications,” commented LTJG Todd Sipala, XO of

Detachment MOTBY. “Reserve crews also showed up with little to no personnel protective equipment. By March, all were fully equipped to perform their missions.”

With six UTBs out on patrol at all times, and one left behind as a stand-by, it is significant that by late May, Detachment MOTBY had logged 10,000 underway hours with engines running at over 90 percent proficiency with little-to-no down time. On the morning of July 15, Detachment MOTBY ceased operations. After more than 15,000 underway hours, the last UTB patrol pulled in and tied up ready to be cleaned before their return to their home units in the First District.

“I’m very proud of every Coastie that was assigned here,” stated CO CDR Salvador Brillante. “Some of the worst winter and rain conditions in years occurred during the period of time that Detachment MOTBY was operational. No one really complained — they all did an excellent job.”

— Story by PAC Tom Staats and PAC Bob Laura



Photo by Spec. Larry T. Lynch, U.S. Army

MEMBERS OF THE PACIFIC AREA PORT SECURITY UNIT DETACHMENT.

ON PATROL IN GITMO

RESERVISTS IN GUANTANAMO BAY EARN PSU PIN

**BY SGT. JOLENE STAKER, U.S. ARMY,
JOINT TASK FORCE
GUANTANAMO BAY PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

GUANTANAMO BAY, Cuba — Racing across the water at high speeds in a boat may be only a recreational activity for some, but for the Coast Guard unit responsible for providing 24/7 waterborne anti-terrorism and force protection for the Joint Task Force and Naval base operations in Guantanamo Bay, this is an important part of their tactical training.

The Pacific Area Port Security Unit Detachment is an ad hoc unit the West Coast Region of the Coast Guard put together specifically for this mission. Of those, one storekeeper stayed back in Alameda, Calif. They staged in San Diego where most of them met for the first time.

The detachment members will soon complete their Guantanamo mission, and one of their many accomplishments is that about 50 percent of them have earned their PSU Qualification Pin while here.

“The PSU Qualification is a unique and challenging opportunity for the PACAREA PSU members,” said LCDR Jim Andrews. Only one percent of the United States Coast Guard has the ability to achieve this award.”

The pin is earned by only a small number of Coast Guard members, and is primarily a Coast Guard Reserve decoration. A member not only has to be assigned to one of the six PSU units in the Coast Guard, but must also deploy overseas with the unit. He or she must also complete a comprehensive task list known as the personnel qualification standard.

“A member is given the book and assigned an instructor, but the student has to seek out those training opportunities and be persistent in getting those tasks signed off,” said LT Richard Evans. “This has to be done on the job. It was voluntary and required a lot of off-duty time.”

A few of the topics on the checklist include safety, security, supply, communications, first aid, engineering and electronics support. It involves a lot of memorization as well as practical exercises. Members rotate through all crew positions. Some went as high as tactical action officer, a position responsible for observing and coordinating PSU missions. The process normally takes from three to six months to complete. Earning the PSU Pin is a particularly unique opportunity for those who come from non-PSU units. PO3 Lisa Griffith came from a ready boat unit and would like to work with search and rescue in the future.

"This is the only opportunity I would have to earn this," she said. "Volunteering for this mission gave me the chance."

The four active duty Coast Guard members assigned to this mission were also given a rare opportunity to earn this pin. All four chose to seize the opportunity.

"This is extremely unique for the active duty members, I don't know of any other active duty members that have earned it because all the port security units are reserve," said Evans. "They'll go back to their units and some of their colleagues and shipmates may be seeing the pin for the first time."

Earning this award gives the members a sense of pride and accomplishment. "It's a great honor to receive this award," said PO2 Kris Goland. "It takes a lot of work, determination and motivation to complete."

MCPO Bill Orton, PSU Operations officer, who also earned the PSU pin, said, "Our crews are highly motivated and focused and are extremely precise in the performance of their duties." Unit members may have provided the motivation and commitment, but the knowledge and experience brought by Andrews and others are what made earning the PSU pin possible.

"He [Andrews] is one of the most experienced port security officers in the Coast Guard," said Evans. "That is why he was chosen for this mission."

The mobile training team out of Camp Lejeune, N.C. also played an important role with a rigorous two-week program that they brought to Guantanamo.

"Our members knew how to drive boats, run boats and all their seamanship; but they didn't have the tactical boat maneuvering and the gunnery," said Evans. "That is what we picked up here at Guantanamo."

Tactical boat maneuvering requires being stealthy, keeping a low profile, responding with high maneuverability anywhere in your operating range, said Evans. Learning to avoid detection, how to come in under the radar and working without radar are also important.

"Training in tactical boat operation is one of the ongoing tasks that are performed daily by our members," said Orton. "This skill is the foundation for all of the other elements that the mission demands."

Another unique part of earning the pin is that members become ground qualified, which means they can augment with any unit to provide defensive fighting positions. Some of the tasks that cover these skills include preparing range cards, how to plan squad-sized security patrols, squad and fire team movement, reacting to enemy fire and many more.

"It was a unique career opportunity," said Evans about personally earning the PSU pin.

ABOUT THE JOINT TASK FORCE GUANTANAMO

The Joint Task Force Guantanamo mission is to detain enemy combatants and develop operational and strategic intelligence to help the United States and its allies win the on-going Global War on Terrorism. To find out more about its mission and troops, visit the Web site at

www.nsgtmo.navy.mil/JTFgtmo/index.html

ABOUT THE PACIFIC AREA PORT SECURITY UNIT DETACHMENT

The Pacific Area Port Security Detachment was formed in San Diego last May. Its crew includes both regular and reserve members selected from coastal search and rescue stations, cutters and other shore units from the entire Pacific Area, including Guam and Hawaii. During their six-month deployment at Guantanamo Bay, the PACAREA PSU Detachment stood up a 24-hour tactical port control radio and observation watch, responsible for monitoring vessels engaged in harbor defense and provided a direct communications link between the Joint Operations Center Battle Captain and on scene assets. PSU boat crews logged over 4,360 underway hours, providing 24/7 patrol coverage of the waterside approaches to Guantanamo Bay and completed 160 U.S. and 61 Cuban vessel escorts.

COAST GUARD MEMBERS PROVIDE SECURITY AS THEY ESCORT THE CUTTER VENTUROUS (WMEC 625) INTO THE HARBOR. THIS IS ONE OF THE MANY WAYS THAT THEY KEEP THE BAY SECURE.



Photo by Spec. Larry T. Lynch, U.S. Army



COAST GUARD ENSIGN CHAD BAKER, PORT SECURITY UNIT 311, LISTENS TO A BRIEFING AT A COMBAT SKILLS TRAINING COURSE. BAKER SERVED IN THE ARMY FOR EIGHT YEARS AND FELT PSU 311 WAS A GOOD FIT FOR HIM AS A RESERVE MEMBER.

BASIC COMBAT TRAINING

MEMBERS OF PORT SECURITY UNIT 311 ACQUIRE SKILLS FOR IRAQ

STORY AND PHOTOS BY PA3 DAVE HARDESTY

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. — Sounds of artillery fire echoed in the distant hills as seven Coast Guard Reservists and one active duty member attended a basic combat skills training course, Dec. 7-13, at United States Marine Corps Camp Pendleton.

ENS Chad Baker of PSU 311 said the school provided all the skills needed to conduct missions in Iraq. The school teaches individual combat skills, security and patrolling techniques. The school runs continuously for an entire week.

Students learn how to deal with certain other intangibles such as waking up in sleeping bags covered with ice, sleeping in foxholes, dieting solely on MREs and not showering for a week, said LT Clinton Carlson. The Coast Guardsmen pick up tips from combat veteran Marines. "It is a good experience," said Carlson.

Active duty Marines, Navy sailors and Coast Guardsmen from PSU 311 formed a mock camp in a valley at Camp Pendleton. This camp simulated a base camp in a hostile area. Marine instructors acted out scenarios to test student's reactions. "The most important thing learned at the camp is decision making," said Marine Sgt. Carlos Vasquez, a combat skills instructor.

A decision had to be made when a Marine, acting as a hostile, broke through the fence line and starting running around the inside of the established camp. Several

camp members started to chase the man, through huts, around latrines and into bushes. Then somebody started to shoot at him with an M-16 (dummy rounds). The hostile man was soon tackled and instruction began. The students learned that shooting at the hostile, while he was inside the camp, endangered the camp members more than the hostile man himself.

Foot patrols and motor convoys are deployed to simulate reconnaissance and security measures at the camp. On one mission, the three-truck convoy was ambushed. Members jumped out of the back of the truck and took positions at the base of the hill. As they advanced up the hill someone shouted, "gas, gas, gas!" Members rapidly started putting on their gasmasks. While doing so, one Coast Guard member slipped and rolled back down the hill. Meanwhile, Marine instructors snuck up behind all of the advancing students and shot them in the back.

"You learn from mistakes here, you die from them in combat," said a Marine instructor. "Nobody covered the rear."

In the middle of the week, students have to complete a three-mile long endurance course. Some students are exhausted, most are soggy from the rain and stiff from sleeping outdoors. The course includes climbing a 60-foot vertical rock with a rope, high crawls, low crawls through barbed wire and scaling an eight-foot wall.

"Students then have to field strip a weapon, set mines and perform all of their duties," said Vasquez. "They have to experience these things under stress."

Large storm clouds start to approach the camp in the middle of first aid training. The Marine Corps classroom is an old bleacher on a concrete pad, outdoors, open to the elements. The sun disappears behind the luminous clouds and the temperature quickly drops 10 degrees to about 40 F. The language used in the training is salty and serious.

"As long as students can pay attention they can learn," said Navy PO3 Glen Moody, first aid instructor. "They must learn to act as the situation dictates."

Every student was paying attention as the animated veteran Moody vividly described treatments for bullet wounds in arms, legs and private parts.

"Pack the wound with gauze and tampons then wrap it with an ace bandage," said Moody. Moody then demonstrated how to fireman-carry a victim out of a combat area. "Once hoisted the victim should place their hand on the carriers lower back for support, or have a pistol in it so he can shoot as the rescuer runs."

Cold, windy light rain started to fall on the class as Sgt. Vasquez began his speech on the importance of the 11 general orders. Sgt. Vasquez related stories from the field to verify the importance of each order and the value of dedicated individuals.

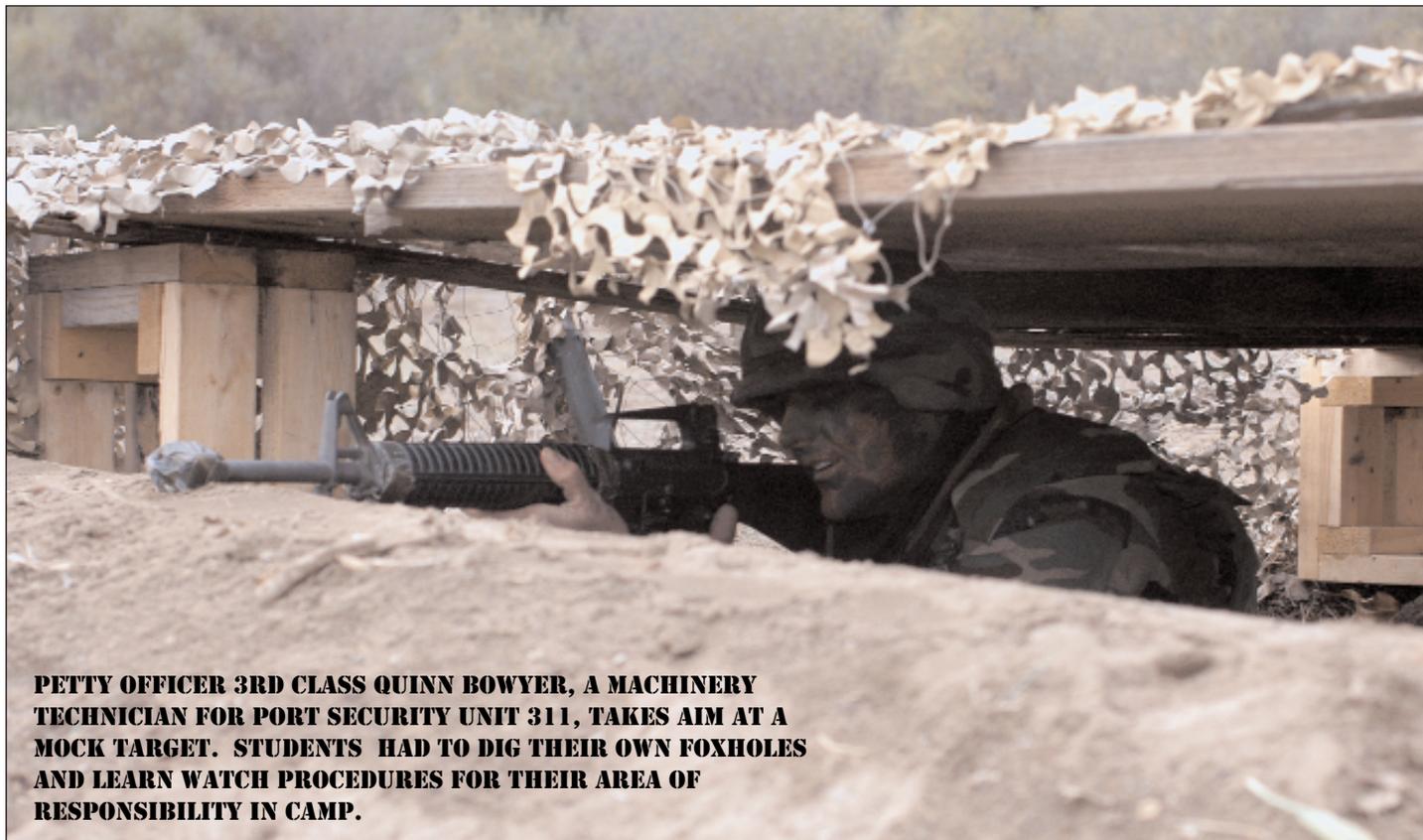
"Order number five, to quit my post only when properly relieved. Never leave your post," said Vasquez. "If you have to piss, piss in your pants, I've done it. But don't leave your post."

The lessons learned at basic combat training by Coast Guardsmen are graphic, physical and exhausting but extremely valuable.

"I really appreciate everything the Marines are teaching me," said Coast Guard MK3 Jose Espinoza, a native of Santa Tecla, El Salvador.

The spirit of camaraderie and brotherhood, established several generations ago, can be felt and is still present as Coast Guardsmen and Marines train together. "These guys (Marines) are great and I've learned a lot," said Espinoza.

When asked why Coast Guardsmen needed this training PO Omar Figueroa replied, "We have to fly to Iraq and get on a bus, or convoy, to get to our boat." Figueroa stated that many military members are attacked while in convoys. He feels that the basic combat training he has received has prepared him well for what he will encounter overseas.



PETTY OFFICER 3RD CLASS QUINN BOWYER, A MACHINERY TECHNICIAN FOR PORT SECURITY UNIT 311, TAKES AIM AT A MOCK TARGET. STUDENTS HAD TO DIG THEIR OWN FOXHOLES AND LEARN WATCH PROCEDURES FOR THEIR AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY IN CAMP.



COAST GUARD PETTY OFFICER JOSE ESPINOZA LOADS A MAGAZINE IN PREPARATION FOR A PATROL AT BASIC COMBAT TRAINING SCHOOL. "YOU CAN NEVER HAVE TOO MUCH AMMO," SAID ESPINOZA.

ASSUMING THE WATCH

MCPO JEFFREY SMITH
RELIEVES

MCPO GEORGE INGRAHAM
AS THE COAST GUARD'S FOURTH
RESERVE FORCE MASTER CHIEF

STORY BY CWO2 EDWARD J. KRUSKA, USCGR
PHOTOS BY PA2 FA'IQ EL-AMIN AND MR. CHRIS ROSE



MCPO Jeff Smith shakes hands with MCPO George Ingraham after relieving him as the Reserve Force Master Chief.



“This job will be the highlight of your career. I look back and there is no way I could have predicted all of the events that occurred. So buckle up – you are in for one heck of a ride!”

*– MCPO George P. Ingraham,
to incoming Reserve Force
Master Chief,
MCPO Jeffery D. Smith.*

MCPO Jeffrey D. Smith was sworn in as the fourth Reserve Force Master Chief at a change of watch and retirement ceremony at U.S. Coast Guard Telecommunications and Information Systems Command, Alexandria, Va. Dec. 4.

Smith took the reigns of the Coast Guard Reserve’s top enlisted position from MCPO George P. Ingraham who has served in that capacity since Sept. 4, 1998. The day also recognized MCPO Ingraham’s retirement (officially Feb. 28, 2004) whose 42-year career began in June 1962.

The 90-minute ceremony was attended by a crowd of nearly 200 in TISCOM’s drill facility. The staging area was surrounded by the U.S. state flags while red, white, and blue bunting added a patriotic effect. In addition to Smith and Ingraham, the Official Party included VADM Thomas J. Barrett, Vice Commandant of the Coast Guard and RADM Robert J. Papp, Jr., Director of Reserve and Training. Master of Ceremonies was MCPO David C. Bunch of Training Center Yorktown.

The ceremony opened with the presentation of colors

MCPO George Ingraham at the podium giving his retirement speech.



MCPO Jeff Smith receives a round of applause after assuming the watch as the Reserve Force Master Chief.

by the USCG Ceremonial Honor Guard, the singing of the National Anthem by LT Susan C. Shanahan, followed by the invocation by CDR Kalas K. McAlexander, Deputy Chaplain of the Coast Guard.

“It is truly a service that is better now that MCPO Ingraham has served,” said MCPOCG Frank Welch during the opening remarks. “My sincere thanks to MCPO Ingraham and Smith. We have been and will remain in capable hands.”

VADM Barrett presented Ingraham with a Legion of Merit, presidential and retirement certificates. He also presented Ingraham’s wife, Carolyn, with a Meritorious Public Service Medal for serving as the Coast Guard Ombudsman-at Large and volunteer work supporting the civilian and military community.

“This job will be the highlight of your career,” said Ingraham, directing his comments to Smith. “I look back and there is no way I could have predicted all the events that occurred.”

Smith stepped to the podium and after reading his orders, thanked his family who sat in the front rows, particularly his parents, siblings, wife Marilyn and his three sons for their support over the years.

“It is truly a great honor to be here today,” said Smith. “It is my hope and goal to leave the Coast Guard Reserve better than I found it.”

RADM Papp reflected on Ingraham’s career and the “Old Guard” values he brought to the Reserve Force position, adding humorously that he was in the fourth grade when Ingraham joined the Coast Guard.

“MCPO Ingraham reminds me of my father,” said Papp. “MCPO Ingraham was a cop as was my father. He will forever be one of my heroes. Fair winds always and good luck, MCPO Ingraham.... MCPO Smith, welcome aboard. We will have many adventures together.”

The ceremony concluded with MCPO Bunch reading “The Watch” as MCPO and Mrs. Ingraham were piped ashore with the

senior enlisted from the Army, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard forming the cordon.

A reception followed with Ingraham being presented with many retirement gifts, including a wooden coin rack by MCPO Jim Connolly on behalf of the Coast Guard Reserve Command Master Chiefs. Plaques were presented by representatives of the Foreign Joint Service Non-Commissioned Officers Association and Naval Enlisted Reserve Association. Command Sgt. Maj. John Leonard presented Ingraham with an M-1 carbine for his service on the Senior Enlisted Council for the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs at the Pentagon. Special thanks were given to the Fleet Reserve Association and the National Capitol Council of the Navy League of the United States for their support of this event.

All four Coast Guard Reserve Force Master Chiefs were in attendance including the first two, MCPO Forrest Croom, of Houston, Texas and MCPO William Phillips, of Portland, Ore. Croom presented MCPO Smith with a large wooden plaque with the word “Force” and MCPO anchors mounted on it along with an expandable spyglass, symbolic of “looking out for the Reserve program.” The plaque has the names of the four Reserve Force Master Chiefs inscribed with room for future names.

MCPO Ingraham was also presented with a shadow box at a retirement luncheon held in his honor at Fort McNair’s Officers Club Dec. 3.

In addition to the Official Party, special guests included members of the Smith family from Cape Cod, Mass., VADM Thad Allen, Coast Guard Chief of Staff; RADM Kenneth Venuto, Assistant Commandant for Human Resources; RADM Stephen Rochon, Assistant Commandant for Intelligence; RADM R. Dennis Sirois, former Director of Reserve and Training; Reserve admirals RADM Mary O’Donnell, RADM Duncan Smith, RADM(Sel) John Acton; Senior Executive Service members, senior enlisted members of the

Current and former MCPOCGs pose with MCPO George Ingraham at his Change of Watch and Retirement ceremony. L to R are: Ingraham, MCPOCG Rick Trent, USCG (Ret.), current MCPOCG Frank Welch, USCG, and MCPOCG Vince Patton, III, USCG (Ret.).



other armed services and other members of the Military Coalition. Many of the Coast Guard Reserve Command Master Chiefs were also present from across the nation. Retired RADM Tim Riker attended along with former MCPOCGs Rick Trent and Vince Patton.

The Coast Guard Reserve Force Master Chief was originally established in June 1991 to serve as a Headquarters liaison for Reserve enlisted personnel. MCPO Forrest W. Croom was the first to hold this position under RADM John N. Faigle, then Chief, Office of Readiness and Reserve. MCPO Croom quickly established many precedents, including frequent visits to the field, writing his own column, "On Deck," for *The Reservist* magazine, and working to establish the Chief Petty Officer Academy Reserve course. MCPO William C. Phillips served in this position from 1994-98, carrying on

many of the traditions started by Croom. In 1998, the title was changed from Coast Guard Reserve Force Command Enlisted Advisor to Reserve Command Master Chief. MCPO Ingraham had the title changed to the present Coast Guard Reserve Force Master Chief during his tenure.

VADM Barrett was serving as Director of Reserve and Training in 1998 when MCPO Ingraham began serving as Reserve Force Master Chief, giving him a unique perspective on the ceremony.

"MCPO Ingraham, you were a superb representative for our service," said Barrett. "I am very, very proud to have served with you in the U.S. Coast Guard.... MCPO Smith, you're the right person for the job. The country will prevail, and with your leadership, we'll be up to the challenge."



Former Reserve Force Master Chiefs pass down the spyglass to the newest member of the fraternity.

R to L are: MCPO Forrest Croom, MCPO William C. Phillips, MCPO George P. Ingraham and MCPO Jeff Smith.



MCPO George P. Ingraham and his wife, Carolyn, are piped ashore for the last time. Fair Winds and Following Seas, Master Chief and Mrs. Ingraham!



In Brief

• **SAIL ABOARD CGC EAGLE IN 2004** — The *CGC Eagle* will sail on its annual cadet training cruise from March 30 to Aug. 31, 2004. Eagle's primary mission during this deployment is to train future Coast Guard officers at sea. Volunteers are needed in the following ratings to augment the ship's permanent crew: BM, DC, FS, HS, IT, MK. Additionally, one CPO is needed to serve as Master At Arms. Active Duty or Reserve personnel (male or female) may apply for all or any portions of this deployment. However, preference is given to those qualified personnel who volunteer for longer periods. To sail on America's Tall Ship is a memorable experience and an opportunity to help shape and train the future leaders of the Coast Guard. Interested PACAREA personnel should contact YN1 Annable at 510-437-3517; interested LANTAREA personnel should contact CWO Hargrove at 757-628-4496. An alternate application method is to access the following CG Web site and submit a TDY application form; be sure to include CGC Eagle in the "Unit Applying for" block and be sure to include the endorsement of your Commanding Officer: <http://webapps.mlca.uscg.mil/pdiv/forceops/volunteers/default.cfm>



• **WERE YOU OVERPAID ON YOUR TRAVEL CLAIM?** — Personnel Service Center is currently auditing travel claims submitted by Title 10 Reservists to ensure per diem was not paid while a member was in a leave status. The JFTR policy prohibits the payment of member's lodging, meals, and incidental expenses on any day classified as leave. If you inadvertently failed to include leave dates on a travel claim or filled out the form incorrectly, you are encouraged to submit a supplemental travel claim to correct any over payments. It may be determined that members were overpaid and an appropriate notice and due process will be afforded to members to repay the government any monies which were erroneously paid. With the passage of the National Defense Authorization Act on Nov. 24, 2003, future recalls will enable payment of lodging but not daily per diem in a leave status. Questions

should be directed to PSC's Travel Claims Assistance Team at 1-866-772-8724 or 785-339-2200; E-mail: psc-tvlcst@hrrsic.uscg.mil

• **SUMMERSTOCK 2004** — It's time to plan ahead for 2004! Summerstock is an excellent opportunity for fully qualified boat crew members to work at Coast Guard stations on the Great Lakes. It's also ideal for students and teachers seeking full-time summer employment. Summerstock point of contact is YN1 Patricia Feeney, D9(osr) at 216-902-6116; Fax: 216-902-6121; E-mail: pfeeney@d9.uscg.mil Also check the Summerstock intranet site (accessible from CG SWS only): <http://cgweb.lant.uscg.mil/d9/o/osr/summerstock.htm>



• **MTSA/ISPS OVERVIEW** — The Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002 (MTSA) strengthens and adds additional protective layers of defense to our Nation's port security. The International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code — which comes into effect on July 1, 2004 — seeks to establish an international framework of co-operation between governments, government agencies and the shipping and port industries. Information regarding the implementation of MTSA/ISPS, Coast Guard activities that will be affected, training requirements, etc. are available on the new G-MP Web site. Reservists who will be involved in MTSA/ISPS should visit the Coast Guard Port Security Directorate Web site (via CG SWS / intranet only) at: <http://cgweb.comdt.uscg.mil/g-mp/g-mp.htm>

• **CAMP BLANDING "SURVIVORS"** — During 1990-1991, PSU training was held at Camp Blanding, Fla. in support of *Desert Storm* (Persian Gulf War). Approximately 450 Coast Guard Reservists went through the six-week training near Jacksonville, Fla. The current PS Force Master Chief is looking for information and photos from this training. Anyone who went through this training is requested to contact MCPO Gary Sherrill, 202-267-0776, gsherrill@comdt.uscg.mil

Upcoming Events

FEBRUARY 2004

• **COAST GUARD RESERVE BIRTHDAY** — Thursday, Feb. 19th is the CGR's 63rd birthday. What is your unit planning to commemorate this special event? Read a decade-by-decade history of our Reserve in the 60th Anniversary issue of *The Reservist* (February 2001) at: www.uscg.mil/reservist

MARCH 2004

• **COAST GUARD MUTUAL ASSISTANCE** — The 2004 campaign kicks off March 1 and runs through April 30. For info, call 1-800-881-2462; Web: www.cgmahq.org

• **CAPT DOROTHY STRATTON'S 105TH BIRTHDAY** — You read that right! The first Director of the SPARs (Coast Guard Women's Reserve) will celebrate her 105th birthday on March 24, 2004! To ensure privacy, please send birthday greetings to: CAPT Dorothy Stratton, c/o CAPT Jeanne Gleason, 5405-C Connecticut Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20015-2705. You may also send her an e-birthday greeting (type "Happy Birthday" in Subject Line) to: edoak@comdt.uscg.mil

APRIL 2004

• **CWOA ANNUAL ASSOCIATION MEETING** — April 27-29, Stardust Hotel, Las Vegas, Nev. Contact CWO4 Bob Lewis, USCG(Ret.), CWOA, c/o James Creek Marina, 200 V Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20024; Phone: 1-800-792-8447 or 202-554-7753; E-mail: cwoauscg@aol.com

MAY 2004

• **WWII MEMORIAL DEDICATION** — Saturday, May 29, 2004, 2 p.m. on the National Mall, Washington, D.C. "Tribute to a Generation" celebration is scheduled for May 27-30. For more info, see the WWII Memorial Web site: www.wwiimemorial.com or call 1-800-639-4992.

JUNE 2004

• **60TH ANNIVERSARY OF D-DAY** — The 60th anniversary of D-Day is June 6, 2004. The National D-Day Memorial Web site is: www.dday.org

• **COAST GUARD AUXILIARY BIRTHDAY** — The 65th birthday of the Coast Guard Auxiliary is Wednesday, June 23. Auxiliary Web site: www.cgaux.org

• **COLD WAR CERTIFICATES** —The Cold War Recognition Certificates are given to all members of the armed forces and qualified federal government civilian personnel who faithfully and honorably served the United States anytime during the Cold War era, defined as Sept. 2, 1945 to Dec. 26, 1991. National Guard personnel and reservists are eligible; contractors and volunteers are not eligible. Those who are currently active duty military or civilian employees of the U.S. government are also eligible if they had at least one day of service during the Cold War era. This program runs for 10 years. To learn more, go to the following Web site: <https://www.perscomonline.army.mil/tagd/coldwar/default.htm>

• **RESERVE CHIEFS ACADEMY 2004** —Reserve Chief Petty Officers Academy will convene May 22-June 3, 2004 at TRACEN Petaluma, Calif. *The 64 seats have been filled AND applications are still being taken for the class wait list.* FAX your signed 'Short Term Training Request' (STTR Form CG-5223) to G-WTL-2, 202-267-4610. If you have questions, contact CWO Teresa Marshall at phone: 202-267-0010; or e-mail: tmarshall@comdt.uscg.mil. For details about the CPO Academy go to: www.uscg.mil/hq/tcpet/cpoa/



• **RESERVE DRILLS IN DIRECT ACCESS UPDATES:** Supervisors using Direct Access to approve Reserve drills for payment or who want reservists to inform them of drills within Direct Access need special permissions. Instructions for doing this are located at: http://www.uscg.mil/hq/psc/forms/psc7421_2instructions.pdf The associated form is found at: http://www.uscg.mil/hq/psc/forms/psc7421_2.pdf Questions can be directed to the Direct Access help desk at: direct-access@psc.uscg.mil or via phone at 785-339-3540.

• **RESERVE READINESS COMPLIANCE MANAGEMENT** — Reservists should familiarize themselves with ALCOAST 466/03 (R 162044Z OCT 03). The message outlines important factors that contribute to the readiness of SELRES members for

Reunions

APRIL 2004

• **USCG COMBAT VETERANS ASSOCIATION** — National Reunion, April 22-26, 2004 at Fort Mitchell, Ky. Make reservations directly with the Drawbridge Inn at 1-800-426-3841, tell hotel you are with the Coast Guard Combat Veterans Association. For info or membership information, contact Mr. Baker W. Herbert, 6629 Oakleaf Drive, Westfield Center, OH 44251; Phone: 330-887-5539; or Mr. Ed Burke, 17728 Striley Dr., Ashton, MD 20861-9763. Phone: 301-924-3727. E-mail: uscgw64@worldnet.att.net; Web: www.coastguardcombatvets.com

• **OWENSBORO UNIT REUNION** — Saturday, April 24, 2 p.m. Central Time. Meet at the restaurant of PS1 Bob Sheldon's, Sheldon's Country Fixings, located near Munfordville, Ky. Phone: 270-524-3100. NOTE: The restaurant is located in a dry county; therefore, there will not be any alcohol available at this location. Additional information contact LT Les Allen, 502-495-2457, E-mail: leswallen@bellsouth.com; CWO Radin 859-885-1236, E-mail gpradin@juno.com; PSCM Hoskins, 502-684-6113, E-mail ehoskins@owensboro.net; PSCM Kuster, 812-876-2272, E-mail dlkuster@bluemarble.net

MAY 2004

• **USCGC CAMPBELL W-32/W-909 ASSOCIATION** — 19th annual reunion, May 20-24, 2004 at Sheraton Park Ridge Hotel, Valley

Forge, 480 North Gulph Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406. For info, contact Gordon Bell, Vice President, 723 Spring Lane, Lansdale, PA 19446; Phone: 215-393-6195; E-mail: captbell@comcast.net or Jim Kelly, Secretary-Treasurer, 40 Lisa Lane, Uncasville, CT 06382; Phone: 860-848-1160; E-mail: jkelly3@earthlink.net

• **COAST GUARD IN ACTION CALENDAR 2004** — Coast Guard calendars for 2004 are now available by mail and over the internet. This is the ninth consecutive year that retired reservist CWO4 Tom Fletcher is offering these. They can be ordered by mail for \$12.95 plus \$4.50 shipping and handling (for more than one calendar, check the S&H on the Web site: www.coastiecalendar.com). Discounts are given for large orders. Make checks payable to Lighthouse Enterprises, P.O. Box 1126, Arvada, CO 80001-1126; E-mail: info@coastiecalendar.com. *The U.S. Coast Guard does not endorse this product; this is published as a service to our readers.*



• **IRR & STANDBY RESERVISTS UPDATED INFO** — In accordance with current Coast Guard policy, members of the Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) and the Inactive Status List (ISL) are required to promptly advise their command of any change in residence. The Coast Guard Personnel Command, Reserve Personnel Management Division (CGPC-rpm) is seeking updated contact information from all IRR and ISL members. The information you provide will be updated in the Coast Guard Human Resources Management System (CGHRMS). Please e-mail PERSRU9880@ballston.uscg.mil or call 1-800-842-8740, ext. 37138 with the following updated information: home address, home, work and cell phone numbers, pager number, e-mail address. Keep the above e-mail address and phone number handy to report any future address or phone number changes. Questions or additional information can be directed to YN1 Darryl Mason at 202-493-1723 or via e-mail at: dmason@ballston.uscg.mil

• **TAMAROA MARTIME FOUNDATION** — The CGC Tamaroa was in service with the Coast Guard from 1943 until decommissioning in 1994. To learn more about the Tamaroa Maritime Foundation, go to: <http://www.tamaroa.org/index.html>

Forge, 480 North Gulph Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406. For info, contact Gordon Bell, Vice President, 723 Spring Lane, Lansdale, PA 19446; Phone: 215-393-6195; E-mail: captbell@comcast.net or Jim Kelly, Secretary-Treasurer, 40 Lisa Lane, Uncasville, CT 06382; Phone: 860-848-1160; E-mail: jkelly3@earthlink.net

ON THE LOOKOUT....

• **GRAND ISLE, La.** — Looking for personnel that served aboard Barataria Bay Station 214/Station Grand Isle from 1919-present, CGC Point Young (WPB 82303) from 1960-65, CGC Point Sal (WPB 82352) from 1966-2001, Group Grand Isle from 1968-87, and LORAN Station Grand Isle, 1968-1980, for possible reunion. Contact LT Chris Thorpe, P.O. Box 158, Grand Isle, LA 70358; Phone: 985-787-2136; E-mail: cthorne@stagrandsisle.uscg.mil

• **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

Advancements

Effective Jan. 1, 2004

From Enlisted Reserve

Advancement Announcement

ERAA No. 01-04

BOATSWAIN'S MATE (BM)

BM1 M MCRAE
BM1 D MCGRAW
BM1 E SORENSEN
BM1 W SAUNDERS
BM1 J ORTIZ
BM1 J BREWSTER
BM1 J CAVANAUGH
BM1 J SILVA
BM1 D EMERY
BM1 J BROWN
BM1 J KENNEDY
BM1 M TUCKER
BM1 W LAKE
BM1 C SALDANA
BM1 N BERNICE
BM1 S WILSON
BM1 M FAULKNER
BM1 B HULSE
BM1 D HARDY
BM1 T STOLTE
BM1 W JAMES
BM1 M HODGES
BM1 A MAGLIACA
BM1 R OLSEN
BM1 P MUSCENTE
BM1 M MULLINS
BM1 K MCLAIN
BM1 D VANDERPU
BM1 P REED
BM1 B MCCARRIC
BM1 T MONTOWSK
BM1 J WEATHERL
BM1 S NEAL
BM1 D WALKER
BM1 K HILL
BM1 J KLEINKNE
BM1 G DONAHOE
BM1 M BRIGGS
BM1 K KNOTT
BM1 C SCHNETZE
BM1 T FORD
BM1 T FULTON
BM1 J HELSLEY
BM1 W MAYMON
BM1 J KNUDSEN
BM1 D WOWAK
BM1 C FOX
BM1 R RICE
BM1 C STRICKER
BM1 D GIBSON
BM1 J MARCOTTE
BM1 M GRAZIANI
BM1 K CASS
BM1 J MOORE

BM1 E MARFULL
BM1 L KEELER
BM1 M HARKINS
BM1 P SHULTZ
BM1 M WALLACE
BM1 M LAROCHE
BM1 C CARTER
BM1 M MOON
BM1 H ARRITT
BM1 J RYAN
BM1 P MOORE
BM1 F MAURO
BM1 E ESTRIPLE
BM1 M SCHERFEN
BM2 C TRAMP
BM2 E BEACH
BM2 F MASON
BM2 C WOLFORD
BM2 B DUMOULIN
BM2 K MORRIS
BM2 A MCNAIR
BM2 T MARSH
BM2 J DAVIS
BM2 K MCCONVIL
BM2 D TSCHIRLE
BM2 J PASS
BM2 P SIMPSON
BM2 M STEINMAN
BM2 B BRIDWELL
BM2 J DILIBERT
BM2 F WIENKER
BM2 F CHEE
BM2 A INSKO
BM2 J MOLINO
BM2 R KENNISH
BM2 T PERSEGGI
BM2 T CLARK
BM2 J STREMPER
BM2 V JABLONSK
BM2 P HOWERTON
BM2 A LINTH
BM2 E TREFCER
BM2 J STAFFORD
BM2 S BREWER

DAMAGE CONTROLMAN (DC)

DC1 J SOBIESKI
DC2 W THOMPSON

ELECTRICIAN'S MATE (EM)

EM1 T SOBOLESK

ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN (ET)

ET1 D HEATH
ET1 E MOTHERSH
ET1 N MCKENZIE
ET1 D STYER
ET1 S HUNTER
ET1 R PESTER

ET1 R MCINTYRE
ET1 R WAGNER
ET1 M BLECHING
ET1 M AVANT
ET1 S OLSON
ET1 T TORBERT
ET2 D EDDY
ET2 K LECOMTE
ET2 D BOSTICK
ET2 S LINDH
ET2 P HARBERT
ET2 A MOORE
ET2 T MCMAHAN

FOOD SERVICE SPECIALIST (FS)

FS2 D KING

GUNNERS' MATE (GM)

GM1 R VENSWENC

HEALTH SERVICES TECH. (HS)

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HS1 K WILES
HS1 W FREDERIC
HS1 C COBURN
HS1 A LARA
HS1 L BERMAN
HS1 E FIGUEROA
HS1 Z KRAUSE
HS1 S MARROW
HS1 M MCCLANTO
HS2 C GOLEMBIE
HS2 B MYLES
HS2 P EVANS
HS2 V RAMIREZ
HS2 L WARD
HS2 J RUNNELS
HS2 S LEAPER
HS2 S CONNIFF
HS2 J JEANBAPT
HS2 C BROCKETT
HS2 R FITTERRY
HS2 G MANN

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IT1 R JACKSON
IT1 J CONREY
IT1 G CARPENTE
IT1 B SMITH
IT1 M GULDEN
IT1 P BOSTWICK
IT1 C HOWE
IT1 M MARKHAM
IT1 C GREENLAW
IT1 A HALL
IT1 J KINNEY
IT1 F SELBY
IT1 D BACHMANN

IT1 E ZAPPALA
IT1 T SANDERSO
IT2 J JONES
IT2 J BEACH
IT2 J JONES
IT2 P MCQUILLA

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IVC E BAXTER
IVC M NUSS
IVC C BETBEZE
IVC D BRUMMITT
IV1 R STECKEL
IV1 M BESHEARS
IV1 M REILLY
IV1 B FITZPATR
IV1 S URBAS
IV1 W ANDREWS
IV1 S RUTZ
IV1 P GALLEY
IV1 C CRAWFORD
IV1 M PURI
IV1 R THOMPSON
IV1 P GATELY
IV1 D LUKER
IV1 J MONTGOME
IV1 A BLAS
IV1 K NOWAK
IV1 J COLOMB
IV1 T PRATT
IV1 J OAKES
IV1 M PAYNE
IV1 S WALKER
IV1 M OSHEA
IV2 E ALLEN
IV2 M JENNINGS
IV2 C ARNOLD
IV2 C CRUZ
IV2 T OBRIEN
IV2 D SANTANA
IV2 S SPURRIER
IV2 B BRISBY
IV2 R EDDY
IV2 G GOYETTE
IV2 W LOWE
IV2 K CALLAGHA
IV2 A DAVILA
IV2 M COOK
IV2 C HUYCK

MACHINERY TECHNICIAN (MK)

MK1 D HOLDEN
MK1 D SOHLSTRO
MK1 K KING
MK1 P MCGRATH
MK1 E MITCHELL
MK1 G DOLAN
MK1 J MCDERMOT
MK1 B HOSKING
MK2 P HOWELL

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MST1 C TAYLOR
MST1 B HARDEE
MST1 L FOX
MST1 G SONNTAG
MST1 J WOOD
MST2 C PORTER

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OSC W LANKFORD
OSC M BAZIS
OSC J DUNCAN
OSC J HERMAN
OSC J TEDESCHI
OS1 D ERICKSON
OS1 J GAUL
OS1 O CRAWFORD
OS1 D ADAMS
OS1 M VALLEJO
OS1 E RAWLS
OS1 B ODOWD
OS1 L CALUMPIT
OS1 R BELL
OS1 R JONES
OS1 M MUNOZ
OS2 B EILL
OS2 J HOUSE
OS2 E GRUNDEMA
OS2 B BROCKMUE
OS2 C MONTEZ
OS2 K WILLIAMS
OS2 G GUZMAN
OS2 J CACERES
OS2 N MORGAN
OS2 T WITHROW
OS2 S HIPSH

PUBLIC AFFAIRS SPECIALIST (PA)

PA1 J MASSON
PA1 M BELSON

PORT SECURITY SPECIALIST (PS)

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PS1 S CHAN
PS1 H HILL
PS1 K HEFNER
PS1 M IGNACIO
PS1 B MONAHAN
PS1 T BILLINGS
PS1 V CARMEN
PS1 D BAER
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PS1 T STONE

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PS2 M MELANCON
PS2 J RENO
PS2 B SOARES
PS2 S BELL
PS2 A UBALDI
PS2 M CIFU
PS2 J SPORL
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PS2 C HERRERA
PS2 F ABBOTT
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PS2 B POTOCKI
PS2 M OSTEEN
PS2 J COFIELD
PS2 M BABYE
PS2 J SULLIVAN
PS2 M CARTER
PS2 S CLEARY
PS2 J GATTO
PS2 J HONEYCUT
PS2 D MYERS
PS2 J CARRASCO
PS2 F CHAPPELL
PS2 S PERKINS
PS2 T BLACK
PS2 A KRAMER
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PS2 M BURCH

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SK2 H ROGERS
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SK2 J ELLIS

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LCDR Timothy J. Shea, D13

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PS2 Eric E. Pelphrey, D8
YN2 Lionel R. Barela, D7

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Taps

- **CAPT Otto E. Graham, Jr.**, USCGR(Ret.), 82, Dec. 17, 2003, in Sarasota, Fla. A college basketball and football player at



Northwestern University, he served two years as a Naval aviator during World War II. In 1946, he began playing football for the Cleveland Browns for 10 years, and also played basketball for the NBA Rochester Royals. In 1959, he was commissioned commander in the Coast Guard Reserve and became head football coach and athletic director at the Coast Guard Academy, positions he held for seven years. In 1963, he led the Academy football team to its first undefeated season. In 1966, he became coach and general manager of the Washington

Redskins, and was promoted to captain in the Coast Guard Reserve. He returned to the Coast Guard as athletic director in 1970 and retired in 1985. He was inducted into the NFL Hall of Fame in 1965, and is ranked as one of the top passers of all time. He is survived by his wife, Beverly, of 57 years; three children, Duey, Sandy, and Dave; two foster daughters; 16 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren. Private interment was held in accordance with the family's wishes. ALCOAST 559/03

- **CAPT Willard M. Hammer**, USCGR(Ret.), Dec. 14, 2003, in Coupe Villa, Wash.

- **CDR Jon W. Harnden**, USCGR(Ret.), Dec. 12, 2003, in Saugus, Mass. Survived by his wife, Edna. Interment Puritian Lawn Cemetery, Lynnfield, Mass.

- **CDR Herbert M. Huie**, USCGR(Ret.), Nov. 15, 2003, in Montgomery, Ala. Survived by his wife, Carolyn. Interment Deatsville Cemetery, Deatsville, Ala.

- **CDR Nathaniel J. Orr**, USCGR(Ret.), Oct. 29, 2003, in West Palm Beach, Fla. He served in the Coast Guard Reserve for over 40 years. He was also an MAI appraiser at Anderson & Carr, Inc. Survived by his spouse, Nancy.

- **CDR Mary M. Paris**, USCGR(Ret.), Nov. 24, 2003, in Melbourne, Fla.

- **CDR Richard E. Thomas**, USCGR(Ret.), Dec. 1, 2003, in Pacific Palisades, Calif., Survived by his wife, Edith.

- **LCDR William A. Powers**, USCGR(Ret.), Dec. 9, 2003, in Glen Falls, N.Y. Survived by his wife, Marjorie.

- **CWO4 Edward L. Miller**, USCGR(Ret.), Nov. 6, 2003, in Knoxville, Tenn. Survived by his wife, Dorothy. Interment Harriman, Tenn.

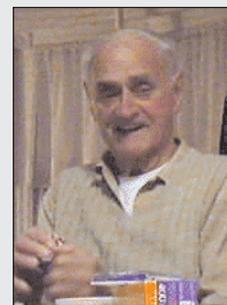
- **CWO3 Jeffery L. Cogborn**, USCGR(Ret.), Dec. 17, 2003, in Detroit, Mich.

- **PSC Dennis H. Carlson**, USCGR(Ret.), Dec. 9, 2003, in San Antonio, Texas. Survived by his wife, Ingeborg.

- **YNC Robert A. Aubrey**, USCGR(Ret.), Nov. 12, 2003, in Lacey, Wash. Survived by his wife, Ruth. Interment Olympia, Wash.

- **PS1 Ralph L. Magnuson**, USCGR(Ret.), Dec. 8, 2003, in Brooklyn, N.Y. Survived by his wife, Elsie. Interment pending Brooklyn, N.Y.

- **Frank Schubert**, USLHS(Ret.), 88, Dec. 11, 2003, last of the Coast Guard's civilian lighthouse keepers in the United States. He served in the Army during World War II. In 1960, he became keeper of the Coney Island lighthouse in New York where he served for 43 years. He passed away of natural causes at his cottage beneath the vintage lighthouse on Coney Island's western tip. He was responsible for maintaining the grounds, light and fog signal at the 80-foot tall lighthouse. Schubert's work earned him many fans, including President George H. W. Bush, who invited him for a White House visit. He was credited with saving the lives of 15 sailors. Even after the lighthouse became automated by the late 1980s, Schubert stayed on as an ambassador of good will and a reminder of maritime history. Since its opening in 1890, only five other men have served at the Coney Island lighthouse — none longer than Schubert. He is survived by three children, Francine Goldstein, Thomas and Kenneth; seven grandchildren; one great-grandchild; his brother, Peter. His wife, Marie, died in 1986. A funeral service was held Dec. 15, 2003.



Then and Now

I want to take you on a trip back in time to June 1968. This was a time when Lyndon B. Johnson was president and ADM Willard John Smith was Commandant of the Coast Guard. Our country was at war with North Vietnam, the draft was in effect, and I enlisted in the Coast Guard at the age of 19.

I was ordered to the Coast Guard Training and Supply Center in Alameda, Calif. Arriving by bus with other recruits, we were welcomed by the company commander of forming company. He welcomed us to the USCG with a few choice words, a roll call and asked for our serial number. Boot camp was nine long weeks. The first week was forming company with a green fatigue uniform. I remember how we looked so disorganized compared to the second week company. It didn't matter if you had a Ph.D. or GED, rich or poor, you were just a boot. In forming company, the company commander did his job well — bringing down our self-esteem. It was up to us as individuals and as part of the team to build it up again. We then met our new company commander, a new leader for the company we now called "CHARLIE 64."

Finally, uniforms and leggings were issued. We soon found out the hard way that a uniform is not clean unless it has been washed. The training center had two wash racks, not a washing machine. All you needed to wash clothes was soap, bleach, a scrub brush, and clothes stop to tie the clothes to the clothesline. The company worked well together as a team. If a shipmate fell out at morning grinder (PT), we carried that person. No one was left behind. We were taught how to march and learned the "Manual of Arms" drills with the M-1 Garand rifle. The M-1 rifle was issued to each recruit. Besides the marching and drills, we had the chance to "high port" the M-1.

The company worked so hard to keep the barracks and parade deck clean and polished, racks were made good and tight. The ditty bags were bleached white and the head was spotless. The M-1 rifles were cleaned and secured in the rifle rack. Yet we still got gigged. One night a few hours after taps, our company commander paid us a visit. He ordered us to form up outside while they ransacked the barracks. The company spent the rest of the night preparing for morning inspection.

The most motivating time for me in boot camp was graduation day. It was a Friday; the recruit companies marched to the grinder in order of seniority. We looked sharp in our dress blues uniform, "thirteen button style," and flag hat cover. At the graduation, the companies marched in parade as the Coast Guard band played *Semper Paratus*. By

that afternoon, we were Coast Guardsmen. As E-2s in 1968, we earned \$113.40 monthly and we were paid in cash. Civilian clothes were not authorized on bases or ships, and we were required to travel in uniform. So much has changed since then.

Today, the staff of Training Center Cape May does an outstanding job transforming civilians into Coast Guardsmen. It is up to us to keep their hopes



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and dreams alive. I recently heard Master Chief Carlos Najera say, "Take care of the crew and the crew will take care of you." I don't mean for you to babysit them; rather, teach, guide and motivate them. This is especially true of our new recruits — be patient with them.

Now our Coast Guard is fighting a different war — a war against terrorism here at home and overseas. The Shield of Freedom has answered the call to duty for 213 years. During the Vietnam War, the Coast Guard served honorably from 1965 through 1972. In all, about 8,000 Coast Guardsmen served in Vietnam. Of them, seven made the supreme sacrifice, 59 were wounded. Twenty-six 82-foot patrol boats formed Squadron I, while 32 high

endurance cutters formed Squadron 3. Coast Guard pilots flew combat search and rescue missions with the U.S. Air Force, two LORAN-C stations were established, and four 180-foot buoy tenders deployed at various times during the war. On the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. are the names of seven Coast Guardsmen etched in black granite: LTJG David C. Brostrom, panel 09E, line 126; EN2 Jerry Phillips, panel 09E line 128; LT Jack C. Rittichier, panel 58W line 46; FN Heriberto S. Hernandez, panel 37 W line 46; ENC Morris S. Beeson, panel 28 W line 8; EN1 Michael H. Painter, panel 20W line 115; and LTJG Michael W. Kirkpatrick, panel 20W line 119.

I am honored to have served during the Vietnam era, Desert Storm, Operation Southern Watch and Liberty Shield. My career in the Coast Guard has been 35 years. I am as proud to serve today as I was at the age of 19.

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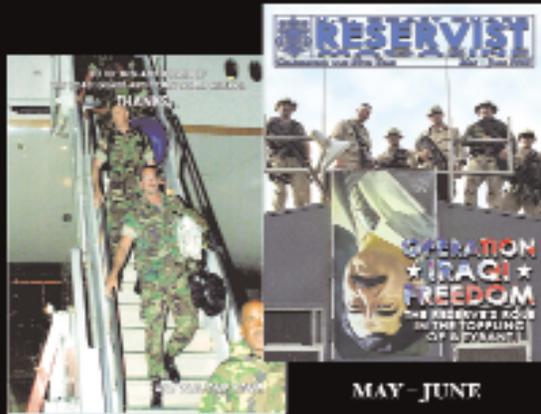
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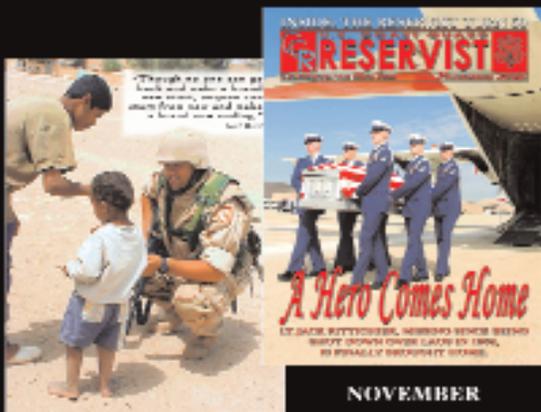
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