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From the Cabin

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Happy Holidays HARRIET LANE family and friends! While we continue to miss you all during this holiday season, we're making an important difference on the New England fishing grounds. We've participated in two search and rescue cases, and inspected a number of fishing vessels at sea... terminating the voyage of one for unsafe conditions on board. Your sailor has endured extreme North Atlantic winter weather conditions while keeping up HARRIET LANE's high standard of service to the American public. Thank you for your sacrifices always, but especially during the holidays. We could not remain focused on our mission without your support from home... and to some of you, it was great to see you in Boston for Christmas!

After another busy home port stay that included maintenance and special training for our fisheries enforcement mission, we sailed on a cold early-December Virginia day... which quickly acclimatized us to our daily weather here in New England. Freezing temperatures, high winds and heavy seas have been the standard. Our training and preparations paid off though, and HARRIET LANE boarding teams have been going "over the rail" to visit fishing vessels all month. Both significant weather systems we've experienced required us to go offshore into storms for search and rescue missions. The first was in response to a lobsterman that was washed overboard. We did our absolute best in very trying conditions, but unfortunately, he was not found. We received a note of gratitude from the local Coast Guard Sector Commander which

reported that the lost man's family found comfort during that cold stormy night in knowing that we were out looking for their son. The second case had a happier ending, as we again braved a gale to assist a broken down fishing vessel. We've spent some time close to the Massachusetts coast, and once transited the beautiful Cape Cod Canal. Our visit to Boston

was a welcome rest. HARRIET LANE sailors walked the historic "Freedom Trail" visiting the Boston Common, the Old North Church, Paul Revere's home, the sights of the Boston Tea Party and Boston Massacre, and of course the famous sitcom pub "Cheers!"

Some of us are beginning to hear about future assignments, and a lucky few performed extremely well on the November service-wide exam and will advance during the upcoming year. Congratulations!

Christmas decorations and many of the treats you have sent along have helped to keep us all in the spirit. We're half way through our patrol, and look forward to being reunited with you in 2011.

From Darlene, Hailey, Madison and I, Have happy and safe holidays, and a prosperous new year!

J. C. Vann
Commanding Officer
USCGC HARRIET LANE



Message from the Executive Officer

Hello HARLAN Shipmates, Family and Friends,

What an adventure we have had to close out 2010! While patrolling the North Atlantic is familiar to some of us, HARRIET LANE hasn't been in D1 waters for over 10 years and this is a new experience for many of the crew. We have endured challenging weather conditions such as high winds, heavy seas and blowing snow. In doing so, we have proven our resolve and shown that no matter how harsh the conditions, HARRIET LANE's crew is ready to answer the call. While we share stories of seasickness, frostbite and ice-covered decks now; the memories we build will be the basis for our stories 20 years from now.

Our mission in D1 is unique in that the fishermen we are here to regulate may show frustration at our oversight and enforcement; however, each and every one of them is grateful that we stand the watch out here to keep them safe. They know that no matter what the conditions may be, if help is needed we will respond. As you will read in the next few pages, the Coast Guard sent us and a helicopter to assist a fishing vessel whose engine had failed. As we worked to establish a tow the helicopter delivered spare parts that allowed them to fix the engine and return home. This is a small example of the work the Coast Guard accomplishes every day.

We also protect the fishing interests of the United States by ensuring only US fishermen have access to fish the waters of our Exclusive Economic Zone that extends up to 200 miles from the coast. With the key fishing ports of New Bedford, Fairhaven and Gloucester, Massachusetts; Point Judith, Rhode Island and Portland, Maine, the New England fishing industry harvested over 594 million pounds of finfish and shellfish generating over \$805 million in revenue in a single year. Seafood such as scallops, lobster, haddock, flounder, cod and tuna are caught here, but then processed and transported around the world for all to enjoy. In addition to fishermen and boats, New England has an extensive shore-side industry which includes primary and secondary processors, marketing and sales and distribution companies that collectively employ over 100 thousand people.* We should take pride in the role the Coast Guard, and our current patrol, has in this critical industry.

On a more personal note, it was wonderful seeing so many of you meet us during our port call in Boston. Your support and willingness to travel so many miles is a great comfort and helps make those long watches and days of rough weather



more bearable! As we close out 2010 and get ready for 2011 we look forward to the second-half of our patrol and returning home. We will then prepare for March's month-long training availability where we refine our skills and refresh our knowledge. As summer nears, we will say goodbye to some of you as you move on to new adventures and we will welcome new members to the HARRIET LANE family. Though before looking too far forward, I urge all of us to take a moment and reflect on what we accomplished in 2010. Send a note to friends and family letting them know how much we appreciate their being a part of our lives and that we are looking forward to reuniting soon.

For Kristin, Elizabeth and William, seeing you over Christmas was the best Christmas present I could have imagined. I miss you, love you and look forward to seeing you soon.

J. D. Cashman, Executive Officer

USCGC HARRIET LANE (WMEC 903)

(*Fisheries information from NOAA Fisheries at: http://www.st.nmfs.noaa.gov/st5/publication/fisheries_economics.html)

Message from the Command Chief

Dear Family and Friends,

Well I would like to start out by saying I hope everyone had a safe and Merry Christmas! The ship had a well deserved break over Christmas and many of the crew had family meet us for the port call. Now it is back to work and everyone seems to be recharged and ready to go.

I would like to acknowledge Electrician's Mate Chief Andrey B. Serdyuk who volunteered to get underway with us for the first part of the patrol. His selfless devotion helped us tremendously while he was here helping to keep everything running smoothly within the Electrician's Mate shop. Chief Serdyuk has now left us to spend the rest of the holidays with his family and we wish him well. Now we have an Electrician's Mate First Class who has volunteered to assist for the rest of the patrol, and I would like to welcome Electrician's Mate First Class Anthony Placencia. Both of these individuals have sacrificed a lot to be available to us during the holiday season. I would like to say thank you to both of them.

Now we have some newly reported personnel, and I would like to welcome aboard the newest members of HARRIET LANE: Seaman Alexander Mac Donald, Seaman Eain Cole, and Fireman Dan Mims, all of whom have reported to us from Boot Camp in Cape May, NJ.

This patrol has been and continues to be cold, but with our longest underway period of the patrol behind us, spirits are still high. The crew continues to conduct everyday operations as well as train for our upcoming "Tailored Ship Training Availability," or "TSTA," this inport period, which will measure and test our mission capability and readiness. Everyone is working extremely hard and the effort continues to be noticed by everyone. We have completed a number of Northeast Fisheries boardings safely and professionally, which continue to enhance the knowledge of our boarding teams.

Earlier in the patrol, we assisted in three separate

Search and Rescue missions, one of which we attempted to establish a tow with a Fishing Vessel whose engines had failed. The Air Station air-lifted a part to the vessel which then was able to affect repairs and we ended up that not needing to establish a tow. The entire crew has responded and continues to respond whenever called upon with the pride and professionalism that has come to be expected from the HARRIET LANE.

There are a few members I would like to give a shout out to: Ensign Noelle DeMarco who qualified as a Boarding Team Member, Lieutenant Junior Grade Cate Gillen, Lieutenant Junior Grade Charlotte Delorey, Lieutenant Junior Grade Jeannie Crump, and Lieutenant Junior Grade Zach Hoekwater, who all were promoted just before we departed for our patrol. Additionally, Seaman Kathleen Dunlap and Seaman Eain Cole qualified as Helm and Lookout. Finally, I would like to congratulate Gunners Mate Second Class Nathan Shook, who wrote #1 on the Gunners Mate First Class Service Wide Exam, no small task at all!

Well, we are nearing the hump and counting down the days until we return safely to all of you at home.

We appreciate the support from all of you at home and look forward to seeing you all again soon!

BMC Chad Kiser
USCGC HARRIET LANE
Command Chief

Members of the Chief's Mess

MKC David Noel ◇ MKC Thomas Daniels
OSC Aaron Presson ◇ OSC Chris Chiaro
ETC Derek Campbell ◇ FSC Chantel Schmitt ◇
BMC Chad Kiser

Quote of the Month

"Man performs, engenders, so much more than he can or should have to bear. That's how he finds that he can bear anything." -William Faulkner, American Writer

HARRIET LANE in the News!

Coast Guard to rescue disabled boat off Long Island

Dec. 21st, 2010 — Coast Guard officials said they are using a heavy rescue vessel and a helicopter to reach the crew of a disabled fishing boat that encountered mechanical problems while navigating turbulent seas Monday afternoon.

The Coast Guard sent a 270-foot cutter and a rescue helicopter crew Tuesday afternoon to help the eight-person crew of the Neskone, which signaled for help Monday while it was about 50 miles south of Shinnecock, officials said in a news release.

The crew of the Neskone reported to Coast Guard Sector Long Island that the 84-foot scalloper was having problems that caused the boat to remain adrift late Monday afternoon.



The Deckies work on the fantail to set up the tow line.

The cutter, **Coast Guard Cutter Harriet Lane**, and helicopter, which will supply the boat with

mechanical parts, were dispatched after another fishing boat, the Polaris, arrived at about 2 a.m. Tuesday but was unable to take the Neskone in tow due to rough seas.

Coast Guard officials said the crews were working amid 30-knot winds and 15-foot seas.

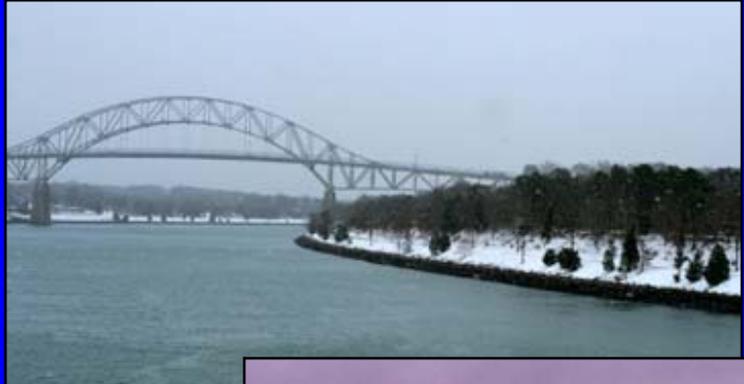
-ZACHARY R. DOWDY, Newsday.com

Although we didn't end up towing the Fishing Vessel Neskone since the part that the helicopter delivered fixed their engines, we escorted them back to their homeport in case they experienced any other problems. All hands did an excellent job executing this operation in very tough conditions!



Gunner's Mate First Class Craig Gibson uses a line-throwing gun to pass the tow line to the Fishing Vessel Neskone.

Cape Cod Canal Transit



Machinery Technician Third Class Julianne Martin watches from the flight deck with Fireman Larry Moore

Transiting through the Cape Cod Canal on this cold, cloudy day was an all hands effort! Thanks to everyone's hard work, we were able to transit through safely and without a hitch!



Left: Electronics Technician First Class Michael Trumbo and Electronics Technician Second Class Corey Perro observe our charted position from the Bridge.

Fisheries Boardings & Small Boat Operations



Lieutenant Junior Grade Charlotte Delorey and Lieutenant Junior Grade Jeannie Crump say "Peace"!



Left: Lieutenant Junior Grade Cate Gillen is all ready for this boarding!



Above: Seaman Timothy Christenson watches as the boat gets launched. Below: Boarding Team 1 is ready to go!



Seaman Joel Brosius acts as the Boat Deck Supervisor as the small boat gets launched.



Boatswain's Mate First Class James Dawson looks tactical in his dry suit and shades.



Fisheries Boardings & Small Boat Operations, Cont'd



New Year's Eve Dinner



XO gets ready to serve crab legs!



The First Class Petty Officers enjoy their meal!



Look at the spread!



Chief Warrant Officer Mark Russell and Captain tending to the Galley

For Dinner on New Year's Eve, we switched things up a bit! The Wardroom took menu orders from the crew and brought out their meals, and then took care of clean-ups as well. It was a lovely evening and our Food Service Staff made a delicious meal of crab legs, lobster tail, prime rib, beef tenderloin, twice baked potatoes, and sautéed asparagus. Delicious! What a great way to celebrate the New Year!



Our Operations Officer had plenty of dishes to do in the scullery!



Patrol Pictures!



Snow tastes good, right?



Working hard, or hardly working?



A-Gang Winner!

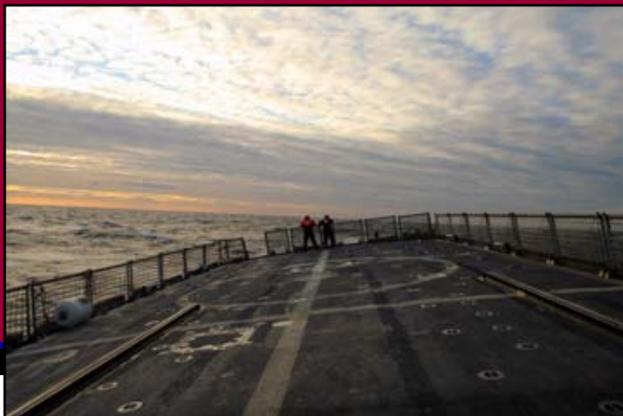


Too Cool for School



Who's in charge, here?

More Patrol Pictures



Advancements, Awards, & Promotions



Electrician's Mate Chief Serdyuk receives a Commandant's Letter of Commendation!



Store Keeper Third Class Alex Dahlmeyer receives a Good Conduct Award.



Electronics Technician Chief Derek Campbell receives a Coast Guard Commendation Medal!



Operations Specialist Chief Aaron Presson gets pinned with his Good Conduct Award Medal.



Operations Specialist Second Class Nick Campbell receives a Good Conduct Award.

Advancements, Awards, and Promotions, Cont'd.



Electronics Technician Second Class Steven Kelly and Seaman Timothy Christenson receive their Sea Service Ribbons! Just to the right is SN Appelbaum who also received his Sea Service Ribbon!



Electronics Technician Third Class Ky Nguyen gets his Good Conduct Award Medal pinned on!



Ensign Zachary Hoekwater is promoted to Lieutenant Junior Grade!



Ensign Charlotte Delorey is promoted to Lieutenant Junior Grade!



Ensign Jeannie Crump is promoted to Lieutenant Junior Grade!



Ensign Cate Gillen is promoted to Lieutenant Junior Grade!

Qualifications

Helm/Lookout

SN Kathleen Dunlap
SN Eain Cole

Boat Crewmember

BM2 Jeremiah Peplow

Boat Engineer

ME1 Kurt Yockel

Underway Engineer of the Watch

MK1 Shawn Dillman

Boarding Team Member

ENS Kevin Novick
ENS Noelle DeMarco
SN Timothy Christenson
SN Timothy Appelbaum

Basic Damage Control

FN Christian Heming

Throttleman

MK1 Robert Esparza



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“The Desired Effect”

USCGC HARRIET LANE is a multi-mission Coast Guard cutter, responsible for a variety of Coast Guard missions, including: Search and Rescue, Enforcement of Laws and Treaties, Maritime Defense, and Protection of the Marine Environment. The versatility of the Famous class cutter makes it a very cost effective platform in carrying out national objectives.

HARRIET LANE’s modern command, control, and communications capabilities, including satellite communications, make the cutter an important asset for long range off-shore missions. HARRIET LANE can effectively coordinate the efforts of multiple ships and aircraft while conducting missions over large areas of ocean.

End of Course Tests

Enlisted Professional Military Education E-8:

MKC Thomas Daniels

OSC Aaron Presson

FSC Chantel Schmitt

Enlisted Professional Military Education E-6:

OS2 Chadwick Jackson

Enlisted Professional Military Education E-4:

SN Timothy Christenson

Deck Watch Officer Renewal Exam:

LT Bradley Middleton

LTJG Cate Gillen

Other Recognition (cont.)

Many Thanks to:

YN3 Tyler Pepin for taking the majority of the pictures featured in this issue

OS3 Raul Roman for taking pictures at Quarters

IT2 Hector Lima for taking pictures, and for his savvy technical support

Ports of Call

Ω 24 December 2010

Boston, MA

Ω 7 January 2011

New London, CT

Mid-Patrol Shout-Outs!

Monica and Ryleigh,

I love and miss you both.

XOXO

ME

To: My oh so special wife.

I love you and look forward to seeing you soon.

Love,

Your Sweetie

Hannah, Darain and Dad - Happy New Year. Miss ya, Robin

I would like to give a shout out to my lovely wife, Brandy, who drove 14 hours through the ice and snow with 3 screaming kids just to see her Chief!

Patrick, Christine, Hunter....Love and miss you guys!

Bree and kids, I miss you and love you all so much and I will be seeing you all soon!

Jennylee, Jeremy and Corona, I miss you and love you so much. I'm looking forward to another special and memorable year with you all!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year babycake. I love you and miss you so much.

Love,

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Hi Susan, Maci & Kyle. Thanks for a great Christmas. I love and miss you lots. See you soon!

Love, Daddy

Mid-Patrol Shout Outs!

Hi Susan, Maci & Kyle. Thanks for a great Christmas. I love and miss you lots. See you soon!

Love, Daddy

Darlene, Hailey and Madison: Enjoying a white Christmas with you in Boston was the best gift I could have gotten. Thank you for making the trip. I love you all very much, and I look forward to our adventures in 2011!

Dad

Hey beautiful, I love and miss you so much! Happy Birthday!

Love, Tim

To Mom, Dad, Sarah, Rachel, Hannah & Clare: Thank you so much for coming to Boston for Christmas! I had so much fun with you. Miss you all!

Love, Noelle

Wishing my daughter Jocelynn a happy 9th birthday on Dec25, hope the Brassfield family, Caitlyn and Louie had a great holiday even with out there favorite family member. Love you all : dive for dreams or a slogan may topple you, trees are their roots and wind is wind, trust your heart if the seas catch fire, and live by love though the stars walk backward, honor the past but welcome the future: HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!

Hi Nicole, happy new year! I love you and I'll see you soon. Happy New Year mom, dad, Jenny, Daniel, and Michael. Dad I hope you have a good first day at your new job. I love you all!

Denise, I was so glad we were together for Christmas, I know you and Alex had a great time at New Year's, sounds like he enjoyed getting 'Black Ops' for Christmas. I can't wait to come home and see you. I love and miss you very much. Love, Eric

To my lovely wife, Shannon, and my little girls: I love you and miss you! Thank you for making the trip up to Boston to spend Christmas with me. Daddy will be home soon!