

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD CUTTER

THETIS

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Welcome Aboard:

FN Martha Ortega SN Michael Daly
FN Jennifer Lindsey SNGM Luis Cruz

Congratulations to:

BM3 Caleb Benson for your advancement from Seaman to Boatswains Mate!
FN James Noble for your advancement from Fireman Apprentice to Fireman!

GET THE INSIDE SCOOP!

Welcome to the "THETIS DIGEST." This newsletter has been put together by THETIS Crew Members to share our experiences and the events of our underway time with our friends, family, and loved ones. Your THETIS crew member devotes



time away from you keeping the country safe by maintaining a vigilant watch over the waters surrounding the U.S.

Congratulations on the Following Qualifications!

- SN Daly- Helm/Lookout, BMOW
- SNBM Fonseca- Navigator
- SN Black- Navigator, BTM
- FN Lindsey- Security
- FN Ortega- Security
- FN Esemuede- Security
- MK3 Mercado- Boat Engineer (OTH)
- MK3 Levistsky- Boat Engineer (OTH)
- ET3 Pooler- Repair 8
- IT3 Guimaraes- Repair 8
- IT3 Strohecker- Repair 8
- ET2 Ford- Repair 8
- ET2 McTeigue- Repair 8
- EM2 Placencia- Engineer of the Watch
- ENS Brankin- Boarding Officer
- ENS Ustler- Deck Watch Officer

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Underway Again...

On January 2nd 2009, a peaceful day when most Americans were still enjoying their holidays, the THETIS Crew reported early in the morning knowing that they

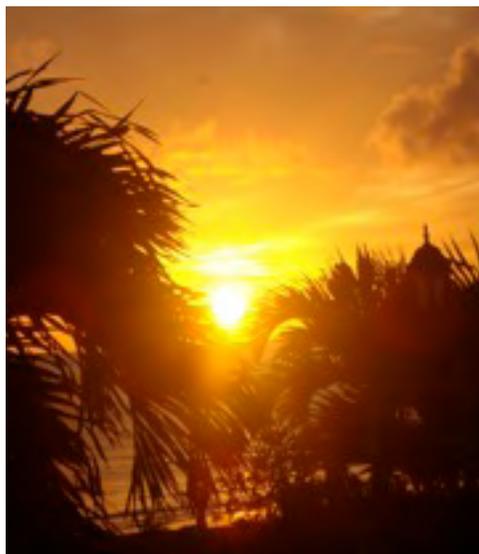


were leaving their families and loved ones behind. One by one we came aboard, said good bye, and prepared to

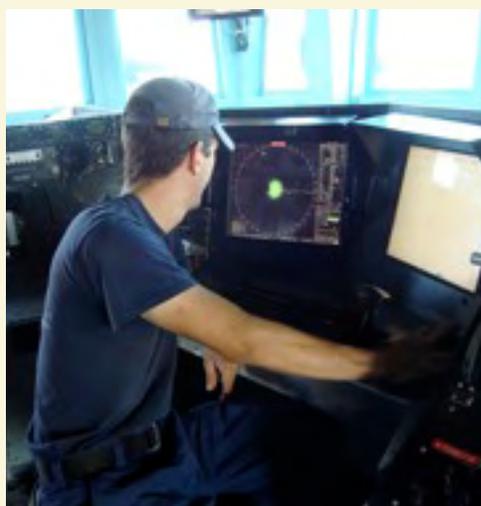
get underway. As THETIS left the pier many crew members could still be found on the flight deck making last minute phone calls before losing cell coverage.



HITRON pilots preparing to land on the flightdeck.



One of the gorgeous sunsets the crew got to enjoy during the Mid-Patrol Break in Oranjestad, Aruba.



Here you see SN Marco Gil de laMadrid learning how to use the radar to safely navigate the ship.



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(above) I Make-a da Pizza!!

ET2 Daniel McTeigue shows off some sweet skillz as Operations Department makes dinner for Pizza Night.

(left) There's Always Time To Rock

ENS Caroline Kearney takes a break from writing DC Drills to work on her guitar skills. XO and EO try to learn from ENS Kearney's expertise.



SN Jalissa Pryor works her magic with some hot wings as Deck Department takes it turn for Pizza Night.



THETIS enjoys a break from the daily routine with a swim call in the Caribbean. Here you see ENS Laura Hutchinson jumping off the flightdeck.

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PORT CALLS: ARUBA AND COZUMEL!



The crew enjoyed well deserved port calls to relax and take a break from the non-stop work



(above)

Under the Sea

A close and personnel view of what Aruba has to offer below the surface.

(below)

Outlaws Chapter 910

Crew members relaxing after an adventurous exploration of Aruba's Northern coast.



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Just Your Average
Day....



Rough seas even caused this well seasoned sailor to fall out of her chair.

A True Test

While underway, THETIS experienced rough winter seas. Members learned why securing for sea is important as galley cups, books, and other items took flight with heavy rolls.



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THETIS set sail with a few new additions to the crew, an aviation detachment from HITRON Jacksonville, Fl. They quickly became crew members and shared our experiences underway. They spent many hours on maintenance, flights, and off course lounging on the flight deck catching some sun.

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THETIS is the 10th ship of the Famous Class cutters designed and built for the U.S. Coast Guard and the 3rd vessel to bear the name. Constructed from 1984 to 1986, she was commissioned in 1986 and immediately began service in the Caribbean basin, based out of Key West, Florida, where she is still homeported. At 270 feet long, and weighing in at 1,646 Long tons, she is equipped with everything necessary to ply the oceans, support her crew, and perform her primary missions of law enforcement, search and rescue, homeland security, and national defense.

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