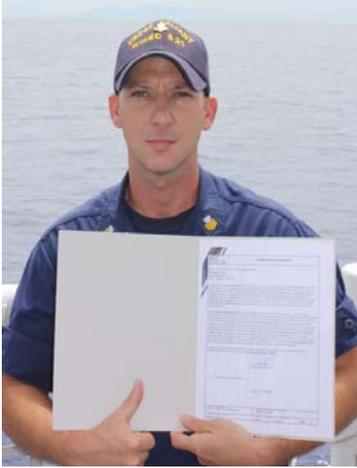


Sailor of the Quarter

VALIANT's Sailor of the Quarter program is intended to acknowledge and reward outstanding performance of VALIANT enlisted personnel. Individuals selected have gone above and beyond what is asked of them, devoting their time and effort to VALIANT and her crew.



VALIANT's most recent Sailor of the Quarter was Petty Officer First Class Thomas Willard from the Electronics Division. Below is his citation, which was presented on September 22, 2010.



Congratulations Petty Officer Willard! You have been selected as Sailor of the Quarter for the third quarter of 2010. You are cited for outstanding performance of duty onboard CGC VALIANT from 01 JULY 2010 to 30 September 2010. As Leading Electronics Technician, during this period you consistently displayed remarkable stamina and impressive technical expertise as you routinely addressed chronic failures to vital electronic equipment, including the VEGA ECS system, 73 Radar, VHF radios and the cutters SCCS navigation system. Further, the impact of your efforts was highlighted by the fact that you were often the only ET aboard when VALIANT sailed, as you ensured her electronic and navigation equipment were fully mission capable while underway.

Utilizing superb administrative skills, you drafted and tracked all electronic equipment CASREPs and also worked closely with VALIANT's small boat product line, ensuring all electronic casualties were properly tracked and promptly corrected. You also excelled as a Cutter Boat Crewman, receiving outstanding test scores during recent OTH STAN evaluation, while your hard work and meticulous attention to detail assured the material condition of the OTH electronics systems were at their optimal level, contributing in VALIANT receiving a near perfect score on the OTH STAN inspection. Faced with an antiquated and failing satellite television gyro, and recognizing the importance of crew morale, you dedicated countless hours conducting repairs to the troubled satellite system. You were also responsible for researching and procuring an upgraded television system, therefore enhancing the quality of life for your shipmates onboard VALIANT. You selflessly volunteered your free time to mentor and train your shipmates, providing frequent one on one and group training sessions. Your efforts ensured your shipmates are well trained and able to meet their qualification deadlines.

You have shown exceptional professional competence and devotion to duty and are commended for your outstanding performance. Bravo Zulu on this great achievement, shipmate!

J. C. Dettleff
Commanding Officer