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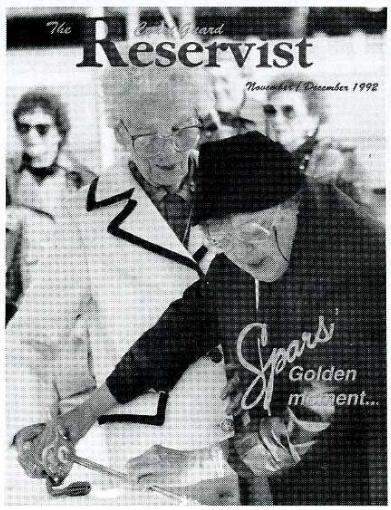
Your Turn

Recruiting long before SPARs?

As an early day SPAR, I just attended the wonderful 50th Anniversary reunion in Washington, D.C. I was one of those who first enlisted in Washington as a WAVE but after the SPAR bill passed and with the persuasion of CAPT Edward Webster, USCG(Ret.), I switched my papers to be a SPAR. As such, I am aware of the various women's military bills.



In your recent issue, the article on the 50th SPAR Anniversary (September/October 1992, Page 15), writer PA2 R.J. Thomson writes that "other military services had been recruiting for *many* years." I find this in error as the Army WACS began in May 1942, the Navy WAVES in July 1942, SPARS in November 1942 and the Marines the following February 1943. Otherwise, an excellent edition.

— Ann B. Comeau, USCGR(Ret.)
Mesa, Ariz.

We asked PA2 Thomson to clear the air on this. Here is her response:

The phrase "military services had been recruiting their members" was not intended to infer that the services had recruited *women* for many years. On the contrary, that phrase and the text that follows it in the SPAR insert was merely a generic statement drawing contrast to the fact that one of the least-known services was beginning to recruit women and it was challenging to recruit women into one of the least-known services.

Wonderful SPAR memories

I just received a copy of *The Reservist* and was very impressed with the article written about SPARs' Golden Moment. I am a SPAR and I attended the reunion in Washington. What wonderful memories we all will have.

— Lorraine Dieterle
Harper Woods, Mich.

SPAR story jogs memory

Congratulations on your fine *Reservist* publication! The SPAR edition was super! Although I did not serve with any SPARs during World War II, I did have some in my Reserve commands after the war.

The SPAR story reminds me of my last assignment in the regular Coast Guard when the Coast Guard was still under the Treasury Department. My duty was at Coast Guard Supply Depot in Alameda, Calif. as clothing and small stores officer in 1946-47. We had a warehouse filled with SPAR uniforms and insignia plus hundreds of temporary reserve uniforms.

These uniforms were no longer needed because SPARs and T-Reservists were created only for the war. Headquarters ordered the inventory to be disposed of by offering SPAR uniforms to female Public Health nurses and then put the remainder up for bid to be sold to the public — all except SPAR insignia such as rating badges which were chopped up and thrown in the trash. If only we had the foresight to know that in 1948 the Reserve Act was going to create the organized Coast Guard Reserve. Keep up your good work on *The Reservist*!

— CDR R. Stambach, USCG (Ret.)
Fort Myers, Fla.

On the Cover

The U.S. Coast Guard Honor Guard marches up Pennsylvania Avenue during the 52nd Inaugural Parade in Washington, D.C. Jan. 20. Highlights of the Coast Guard's part in Inaugural events begins on Page 5. Photo by Staff Sgt. James E. Jackson, U.S. Army. Special thanks to PA2 Don Wagner, USCGR, Armed Forces Inaugural Committee.

A View from the Bridge

By RADM John W. Lockwood
Chief, Office of Readiness & Reserve

Recently, Selected Reservists were sent a copy of the new Coast Guard National Security Policy brochure titled *The United States Coast Guard — A Distinct Instrument of National Security.* This document is a comprehensive summary of the revised National Security Policy of the United States as it pertains to the Coast Guard's role as one of the major agencies responsible for maintaining national security.

Please take a very close look at this document. In it, the Commandant succinctly articulates the vital role the Coast Guard plays in implementing national security policy. The ramifications for the Coast Guard Reserve are clear and I would like to share my thoughts with you on a few of the main points in this important document.

> ***"... national security is more than national defense. National security encompasses the broad range of economic, social and environmental activities that directly impact the nation's well-being."***

The key to understanding the Coast Guard's role in national security is awareness of today's expanded definition of national security. First and foremost, national security is more than national defense. National security encompasses the broad range of economic, social and environmental activities that directly impact the nation's well-being. This is a major shift from the way many of us, myself included, were taught — that national defense and national security are interchangeable terms. Of course, national defense remains a very important aspect of national security. But, it is only ***one*** aspect of the overarching term that includes political, economic and military challenges and opportunities. Throughout its history, the Coast Guard has assumed a diversity of roles in the areas of maritime safety, maritime law enforcement, marine environmental protection, and national defense. Unlike the other armed forces, it is, and always has been, a multi-mission service on which the country relies to carry out a number of peacetime assignments directly impacting national security.

For instance, the Coast Guard accomplishes its maritime safety role through the national search and rescue system, vessel traffic management services, aids to navigation, vessel inspection and international leadership in developing vessel and port safety standards.

In the maritime law enforcement role: We enforce all U.S. laws and treaties; protect fisheries and marine resources; interdict drugs and illegal migrants; combat maritime terrorism; and provide maritime interception capabilities.

The marine environmental protection role prevents such activities as ocean dumping and hazardous waste disposal. Recent events have indicated that the transportation of chemicals and fossil fuels will continue to require Coast Guard involvement and leadership.

And, of course, the Coast Guard continues to provide its unique expertise in support of national defense. Active duty and reserve personnel provide considerable skill and experience in coastal and port maritime operations to support both warfighting and defense-associated operations such as port security, port safety, harbor defense and coastal sea control.

Our chain-of-command, high degree of discipline and 24-hour response capability enable the Coast Guard to quickly react to military crises, domestic disasters and changing national priorities.

New DOT Secretary visits CGHQ

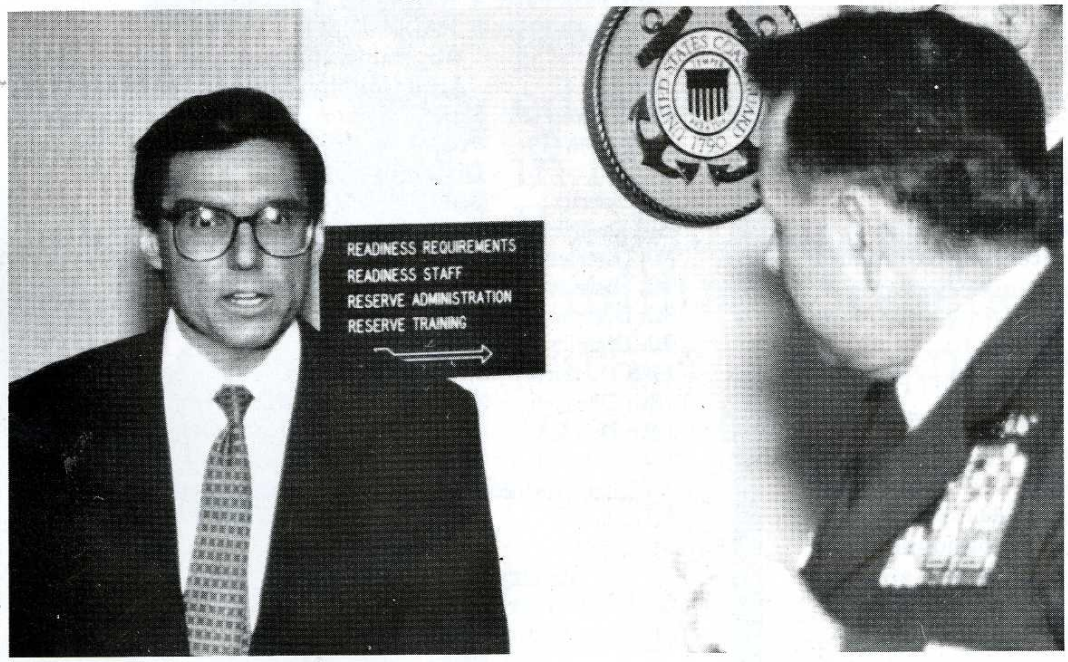


Photo by PA1 Ron Mench, CG Photo Team

New Secretary of Transportation Federico F. Peña, left, is greeted by RADM John Lockwood, Chief, Office of Readiness & Reserve, front right. Peña, 45, former mayor of Denver, visited Coast Guard Headquarters Jan. 25.

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Clearly, national defense and national security are not interchangeable terms. Each has a separate and distinct meaning. The former is subsumed by the latter. To illustrate how the Coast Guard Reserve has recently operated in support of national security, look at some of the past year's events: two major hurricanes; a typhoon; several gigantic marine events; and a dramatic increase in illegal migration. Many of you were directly involved in these surges in operations.

The fundamental reason for the existence of the Coast Guard Reserve is to actively and enthusiastically support all Coast Guard missions within the context of national security. Whether in search and rescue, pollution response, maritime law enforcement or protecting our maritime interests, the Coast Guard Reserve provides the surge capability which enables the Coast Guard to carry out the National Security Policy of the United States.

Through coordinated planning with our active counterparts, the Coast Guard Reserve will continue to evolve and improve its ability to provide an organized, quick reaction military force. We will continue to ensure that the Coast Guard is able to meet each contingency, or surge in operations, with an appropriate response.

During 1992, we did just that and proved to be a vital, valuable resource to the active duty component. However, we must constantly assess our value added in order to stay on the right course. In the Coast Guard Reserve *Vision, Mission and Guiding Principles* brochure developed last year (a copy appeared in the May/June 1992 *Reservist*), I said the vision statement and key initiatives would be reviewed and updated periodically. We have done just that, and in January 1993, completed strengthening the Coast Guard Reserve *Vision, Mission and Guiding Principles.* I also told you about my Core Steering Group — Admirals Golove, Merrilees, Sloncen, Lockwood and Captains Adams and Rhinard — who function as a strategic oversight group with a direct link to the G-R Quality Management Board. The Core Steering Group and Quality Management Board have just completed work on another important document that will help shape our course for the future — the *Reserve Annual Plan for Fiscal Year '93.* The 1993 Plan translates the vision and mission statement into milestones which we must collectively achieve. These milestones occur at all levels and are designed to positively impact the Reserve Program and serve all of our customers — operational commanders, headquarters program directors, and you, the reservist in the field.

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11th District	RADM	Richard D. Herr
13th District	RADM	John W. Lockwood
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17th District	RADM	Roger T. Rufe, Jr.

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Reserve Rear Admirals

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Sr. Res. Officer, PAC Area, RADM Robert E. Sloncen

* Source: ALDIST 388/92; COMDTNOTE 1321.

CHANGING OF THE GUARD

Photo courtesy of Armed Forces Inaugural Committee

By SKCS Linda Reid, Reserve Group HQ
and LT R.W. Grabb, RU York River

The chance of a lifetime was how many Coast Guard Reservists described serving in the parade street cordon during the 52nd Presidential Inauguration Jan. 20. The purpose of the cordon, which included 63 CG Reservists from units in Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C., was to provide a military presence along the parade route and to render honors to the flag and commander in chief.

A joint service color guard marches up Pennsylvania Avenue as part of the presidential escort preceding the 52nd Inaugural Parade.

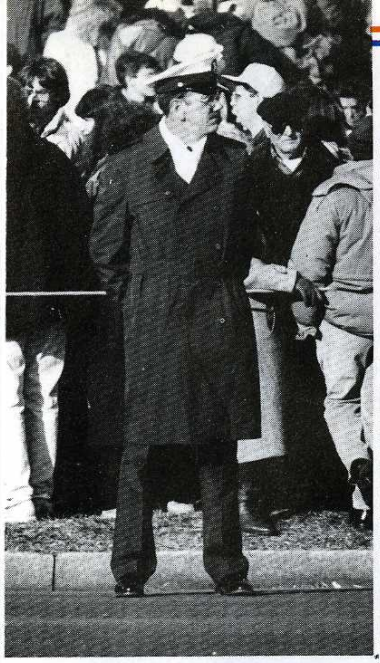


Photo by PA2 E. Kruska, G-RS-1

Photo courtesy of RU York River

Above: The crowd comes and goes as a CG Reservist serving in the cordon watches and waits for the parade to begin.

Right: Some RU York River reservists prepare to leave for the inaugural.

Coast Guard Reservists served alongside enlisted personnel from the other four services in the joint service sectors of the cordon. About 40 of the 63 reservists lined the presidential escort route near the Capitol (Joint East Sector), while the remainder stood along Pennsylvania Avenue near the White House (Joint West Sector).

LCDR John Baker, of Reserve Group Headquarters, served as project officer for the street cordon. He was responsible for ensuring the Coast Guard provided a sufficient number of volunteers to the Armed Forces Inaugural Committee (AFIC), the joint task force which had the overall responsibility for managing the street cordon. He and CW0 Barbara Fagan of RU Washington arranged transportation, meals, uniforms, orders and the many other details an operation like this entails.

"Personally, it was a fulfilling experience," said Baker who worked roughly eight weeks preparing for the event. "All the pomp and circumstance surrounding this event made it very exciting. It was challenging, too, because a lot of reservists in the cordon did not see the duty site until Inauguration Day and they had to be quick studies. Everyone looked good and were very professional in displaying honors to our commander in chief."

Serving as "NCO's" (leaders) of the cordon were EMCM Robert Blakeslee and RDCM Preston Webster of RU York River, YNC Edith Brown of RU Headquarters (G-M) and HSC Mark O'Neal of RU Upper Chesapeake Bay. YN3 Karen Sescoe of RU Headquarters (G-CAS) served as the radio operator for the group. Nearly half the total complement of Coast Guard Reserve personnel participating in the event came from RU York River.

"My thanks go out to all the volunteers and the NCOs who gave their time," said Baker.

When the call went out for volunteers a few months before the event, many reservists jumped at the chance to have a "front-row" view of the President and other inaugural participants.

"This is an opportunity that is rarely available to reservists," said Blakeslee, explaining the quick response from a large number of volunteers from York River. "We're all just very pleased to be able to participate in something like this."

YN2 Beth Blackford of RU York River had been out of town when the call came and managed to get her name on the list at the last minute. She was thankful for the opportunity. Some of the reservists were veterans of the 1989 cordon and were eager to participate again. Others had even volunteered in 1985 but were prevented from participating that year when snow and sub-zero temperatures forced cancellation of all outdoor ceremonies.

To ensure things would go smoothly on Inauguration Day, the AFIC held a practice early on Sunday morning, Jan. 10. It was a cold, gray day, with a chilly wind and a light snow falling. The practice moved along fairly quickly — even so, many toes were numb before people got back to warm busses. Knowing they would be outside for much longer hours during the real event, everyone dressed warmly with layers of thermals. As it turned out, Inauguration Day temperatures were 44 degrees with bright sunshine.

"It actually got kind of warm out

there," reported QM3 Christopher Niesterowicz of RU Upper Chesapeake Bay.

The long day started with muster at 5:30 a.m. at Bolling Air Force Base which lies across the Potomac River from Washington National Airport. Service Dress Blue "Bravo," combination caps, black gloves, white scarves and raincoats with liners comprised the uniform of the day. All the participants were then bussed downtown to the Capital Mall where they practiced marching and posting movements. When the time grew close for outgoing President Bush and President-elect Clinton to travel by motorcade from the White House to the Capitol where the swearing-in ceremony took place, cordon members were posted at intervals along the street.

An estimated one million people crowded the Capitol grounds and lined Pennsylvania Avenue to witness the noon inauguration of President-elect Bill Clinton as the 42nd President of the United States of America. For only the third time, the ceremony was held on the west front of the Capitol Building. Prior to 1981, the ceremony had always been on the east front.

All told, 10 salutes were rendered at various times during the day as the commander in chief and U.S. flag passed by. Twelve hundred members of the military lined the parade route from the Capitol to the White House.

YN3 Elizabeth Fleischman, part of Joint East, was thrilled to see both Bush and Clinton, but was almost as excited to see her favorite actor — Richard Dreyfuss. After a hot lunch, the Joint East participants were posted again as the presidential escort began the march from the Capitol to the White House.

At the front of the presidential escort marched RADM John Lockwood, Chief of Readiness and Reserve, who represented the Coast Guard alongside flag officers from the other services. After marching in the presidential escort, RADM Lockwood and his wife Cyndee viewed the parade from the president's reviewing stand. The Coast Guard Honor Guard was also part of the presidential escort.

Meanwhile, at Joint West, the posting began in anticipation of the arrival of President Clinton and Vice President Gore. After the presidential party was seated, the parade began in earnest. What was planned to last an hour and a half took three hours and darkness began to fall before it was all over. The warm sunshine was gone and a cool breeze had kicked up by the time Coast Guard units had a chance to strut their stuff. But the excitement of

Photo by PH2(AC) Thomas E. Witham, USN, Armed Forces Inaugural Committee

President Bill Clinton and first lady Hillary pause to acknowledge the huge crowd at the swearing-in ceremony on the west steps of the U.S. Capitol.

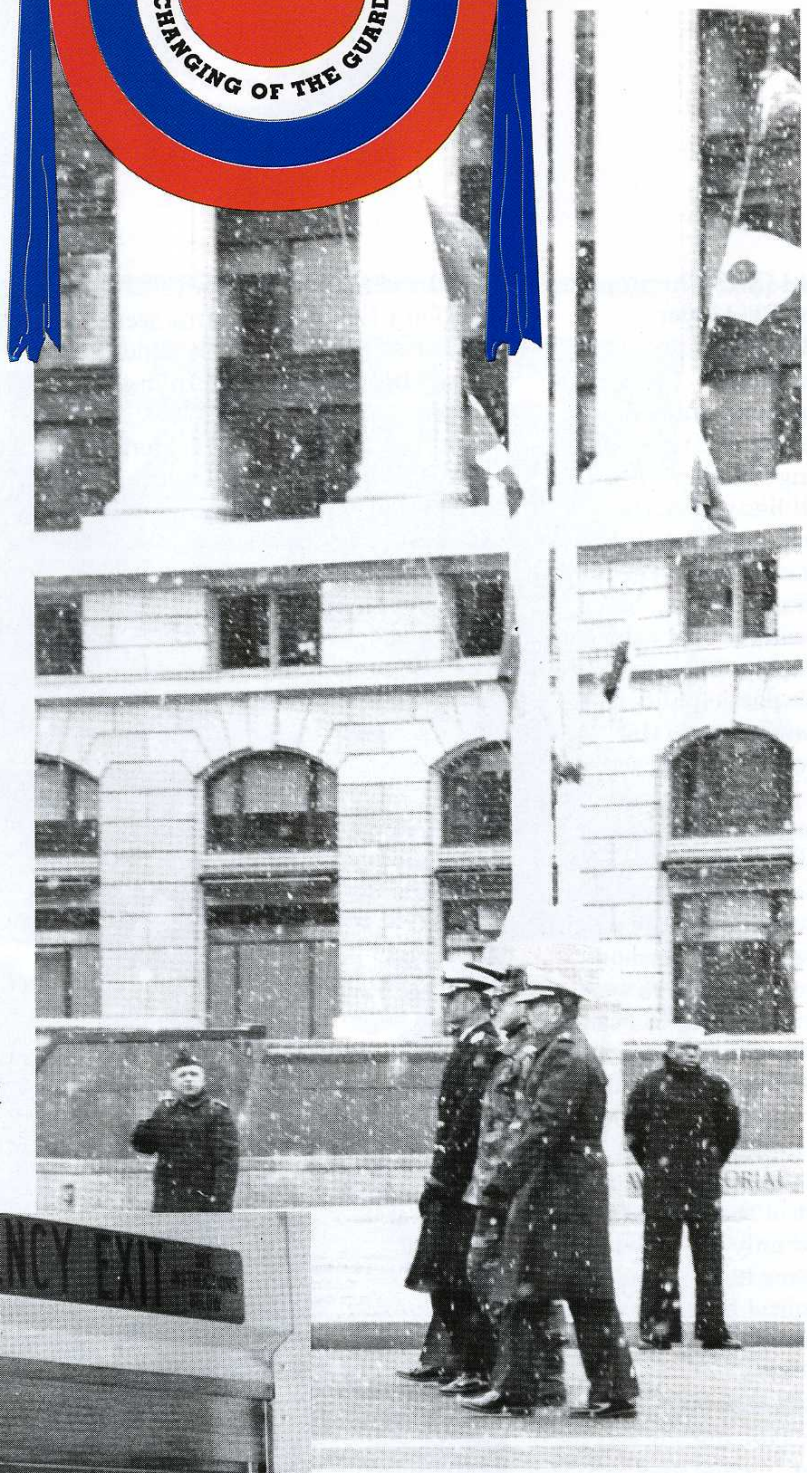
the parade and spectators (as well as a rotation system) kept spirits up along the cordon.

Leading off Division V of the parade was the Coast Guard Staff, CG Band, and other contingents from the CG Academy, TRACEN Cape May, and RTC Yorktown (including a 1790 Color Guard from Yorktown). President Clinton and our Commandant, ADM Kime, reviewed the Coast Guard marching units as they passed. The Honor Guard also provided personnel for Joint Color Guards as well as cordons at the Capitol and at Andrews Air Force Base for President Bush's departure.

CAPT Ernst Cummings, Coast Guard Component Commander, worked nearly a year on planning this event. "Altogether, about 600 Coast Guard personnel, active, reserve and auxiliary were involved in the inaugural," said Cummings. "Everyone did a fantastic job and should be proud of themselves for all their efforts. They all made the Coast Guard look good."

Many reservists, having left home in the wee hours of the morning did not get back until late that night.

"It was an exciting thing," said Niesterowicz, "and you only get to do something like this once." Then after a little thought, he added, "Well, once every four years."



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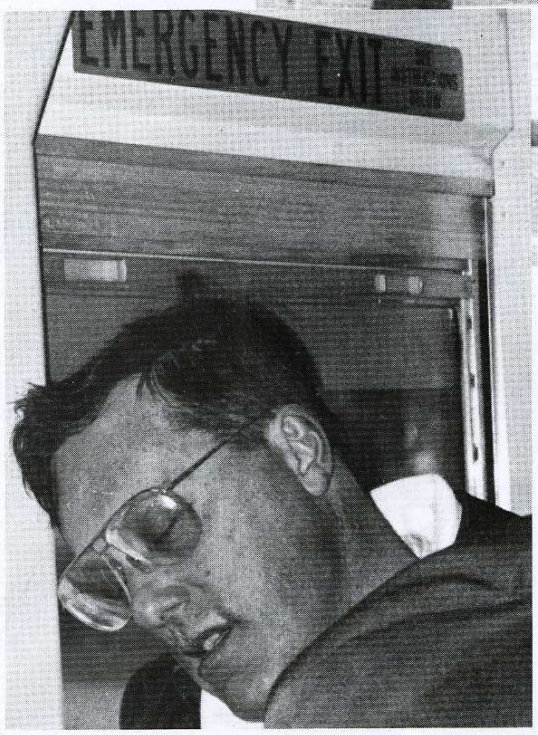
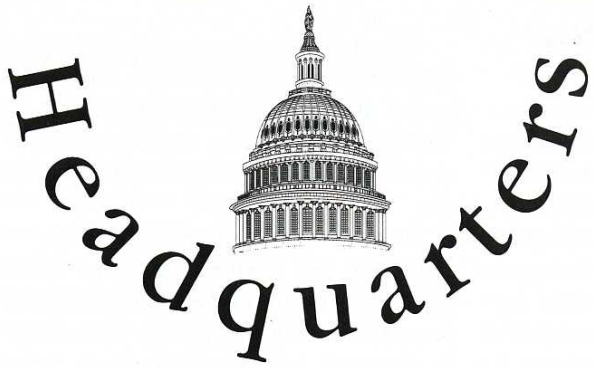


Photo by PS3 Mike Gough, RU York River

Above: RADM John Lockwood, G-R, front, practices marching with other service flags Jan. 10 in front of the Navy Memorial in Washington, D.C.

Left: PS2 Ray Jaklitsch of RU York River catches some shuteye during the bus ride back to Bolling AFB following the big day.



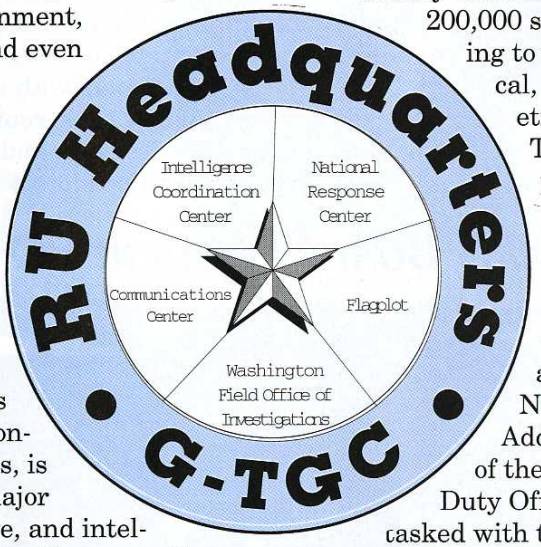
Reservists augment vital CG HQ centers

By LCDR Nick Grasselli, RU HQ(G-TGC)

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Five important Headquarters centers serve as the primary communications link of operational and administrative matters between Coast Guard Headquarters and the Coast Guard, District and Area Commanders, and senior Coast Guard officials. They include the Command Center (Flagplot), National Response Center, Communications Center, Intelligence Coordination Center (ICC) and the Washington Field Office of Investigations (WFO).

In addition, they also link the Coast Guard to the White House, Department of Transportation (DOT) officials, other segments of the federal government, state and local officials, and even foreign governments.

Each of these centers is staffed 24-hours a day. Reservists with RU Headquarters (G-TGC), under the umbrella of Group Headquarters, provide support in all of the above centers, including the Washington Field Office of Investigations. As a result, this small unit, consisting of only 22 reservists, is engaged in nearly every major operational, administrative, and intelligence related matter of significance to the Coast Guard. Presently commanded by CDR Bob Kelly, USCGR, the unit continues to seek new ways to meet whatever task or challenge comes its way.



Δ Flagplot: While on duty in Flagplot, reservists act as the eyes and ears of the Commandant and the Secretary of Transportation. They are tasked with keeping the Commandant, the Secretary of Transportation and their staffs informed around-the-clock of major incidents and current operations within the Coast Guard and Department of Transportation. In recent years, reserve watchstanders in Flagplot stood approximately 15-30 percent of the duty officer watches working on as many as 390 of Flagplot's significant cases. One of last year's primary cases involved the flight and return of Haitians from and to their homeland.

Δ National Response Center: The National Response Center serves as the "command center" for the 14-member agencies of the National Response Team. Last year, NRC processed over 20,000 incident reports resulting in approximately 300 cases and processed over 200,000 separate phone calls relating to the reporting of oil, chemical, radiological, biological, and etiological discharges.

Traditionally, the unit has provided watchstanders to the Communications Center, Flagplot, and the Intelligence Coordination Center. However, during the last year, the unit's augmentation included the National Response Center. Additionally, at the direction of the Commandant, the Senior Duty Officer in Flagplot has been tasked with the additional responsibility of briefing the Commandant and senior officials of significant developments as they occur in the National Response Center, including the reporting of major oil spills.

Δ Communications Center: The Communications Center is responsible for all message traffic originating from Headquarters and destined for Headquarters. The center is frequently tasked with coordinating as many as 3,000 messages in one day. These messages,

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CGHQ Vital Centers

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which have varying degrees of priorities and classifications, must be screened to meet certain specifications and qualifications and are processed through complex operating equipment. Like other reservists attached to this unit, the reservists drilling in the Communications Center are required to perform to the standards of their active duty counterparts.

Δ Intelligence Coordination Center: The Intelligence Coordination Center is the Coast Guard's focal point for intelligence collection, analysis, and dissemination. Presently, this section employs the most reservists responsible for analyzing raw and processed intelligence data and provide reports/support throughout the Coast Guard to support operations and policy. During the past year, eight reservists drilling in ICC produced a wide variety of intelligence related initiatives. These included: a report assessing the threat to Coast Guard facilities worldwide resulting from Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, a study of narcotic trafficking and counter-interdiction methods, a counterdrug analysis for the Commandant's conference on drug trafficking, extensive intelligence analysis for the Cuban Brotherhood flotilla, and a variety of studies and reports on classified topics.

Most reservists working in the ICC hold key positions in other intelligence or enforcement agencies and therefore bring unique backgrounds to the unit. Like the reservists drilling in Flagplot, ICC reservists are also provided opportunities to brief senior Coast Guard officials. Recently, unit member LTJG Brian Whetstine, USCGR, provided the Commandant and staff an oral presentation on recent naval developments in the former Yugoslavia. He received a letter of commendation for his efforts.

Δ Washington Field Office: Although all of these centers serve as focal points for Coast Guard-related crisis management, the unit continues to seek other opportunities to augment the Coast Guard and represent the Reserve program overall. The Washington Field Office (WFO) is the newest section of the reserve unit. Formerly a part of RU D5(ole), this section was established to better serve the unit's customers with their primary responsibility background and criminal investigations, and protective service operations for the Commandant, Vice-Commandant, and other dignitaries as directed. All personnel assigned to this section carry credentials as Coast Guard Special Agents. For further information about this section, the point of contact is CW02 Rand Gaber, USCGR, at the Washington Field Office.

In addition to the above, reservists are sometimes tasked with representing the Coast Guard in the Military Command Center system. This responsibility was put to task during Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm which resulted in the activation of the Coast Guard's Crisis Action Center (CAC), an additional center designed to relieve Flagplot of some responsibilities during special operations. All watchstanders in each center contributed many long hours in support of Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm by ensuring the consistent and timely flow of information to Coast Guard and related command authorities.

RU Headquarters continues to actively augment the Coast Guard and remains prepared for any contingency. Like many reserve units, this one is proud to represent the Coast Guard Reserve program in the spotlight. In addition to fulfilling its responsibilities, the unit recently received an outstanding rating in district inspection for the third consecutive year. The diverse functions of this reserve unit make it one of the most unique serving the Coast Guard.

CG Reserve Policy Board meets at HQ

Photo by PA3 Pamela Sanders, G-RS-1

The first meeting of the 1993-94 CG Reserve Policy Board was held at CGHQ Jan. 11-13. Policy Board members, left to right: CAPT Joe Goeke, CAPT James Townley, CDR Greg Shapley, CDR Carl Crown, CDR Ed Moritz, MCPO Forrest Croom, LCDR Carol Rivers, CAPT Al Tingquist, RADM Robert Sloncen, CAPT Dick Cashdollar, CAPT Tim Jamison and CAPT Rich Schneider.

1st DACOWITS CGR Delegate's visit provokes interesting response

By LCDR Carol Rivers, CGR delegate to DACOWITS

SOUTH PORTLAND, Maine — Earlier this year, the Coast Guard Reserve's Delegate to the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS) visited Reserve units meeting at their Group site in South Portland.

LCDR Carol Rivers discussed DACOWITS' accomplishments and recommendations and elaborated on the Diversity Program with respect to the Coast Guard with first, the Group's officers (which included two women) as well as the Group's women.

"I emphasized the Coast Guard's intent to recruit and utilize the most talented individuals available," said Rivers. "I pointed out the fact that the CG's goal was to increase the percent of women in the Reserve from 7.1 percent officers and 12.5 percent enlisted, to 20 percent in both categories by the year 2000." Rivers said the reaction she anticipated did not materialize.

"After stating this aggresive approach, I expected to hear 'yeah!' but that was not the case," said Rivers. "Instead, I received comments from one woman like 'we don't want any more sissy women who cry and bat their eyelashes in our unit.' "

With that reaction, Rivers says she changed her focus and suggested what direction to follow if, in fact, a female was performing below par. "I encouraged the women to be a support group for each other," said Rivers. "If one is not pulling her weight, take her aside and tell her what her shortfalls are and encourage her to do a better job."

The next day, Rivers got underway on a 41-footer with two women boatswainsmates from RU Portsmouth, N.H., BM2 Jodi Day and BM2 Clydette Sawyer. Fog had reduced visibility to almost zero and coupled with the unpredictable current of the Piscataqua River, the BM's were quite aware that their talents were being challenged.

"We maneuvered cautiously and made our way up the river through the narrow cuts under the bridges," said Rivers. "During the three hours that I was underway, the BM's actions were flawless. I began to understand...this is no place for a sissy." Rivers says that demands vary from rating to rating, but the underlying expectation is that you get the job done. Both Day and Sawyer emphasized that it is critical for women to do their job well and to make sure that others are aware that you did your job well.

"Day and Sawyer have unconsciously made it easier for women who will be assigned to RU Portsmouth," said Rivers. "The reservists there know women are capable."

Photo by LT Greg E. Spitzer, RU Portsmouth, N.H.

BM2 Clydette Sawyer, left, LCDR Carol Rivers and BM2 Jodi Day following their three-hour cruise up the Piscataqua River.

RKs ready to enhance skills at Group Boston

By PA3 Zachary A. Zubricki, 1st District

BOSTON — Twenty-four Coast Guard Reservists, fresh from boot camp, arrived at CG Group Boston last Sept. 26, ready to enhance their skills through additional training. These young sailors are part of the USCGR-RK program which is designed to accommodate full-time students.

The RK program consists of three distinct phases: Phase I (recruit training), Phase II (Class "A" School/OJT) and Interphase (approximately a nine-month period of weekend drills between Phases I and II). These new sailors are currently in the Interphase portion of their training program and will receive instruction in damage control, marlinspike seamanship, port safety/security and navigation. They will also be introduced to the customs and traditions of the Coast Guard.

Group Boston's RK program is coordinated by MKC John C. Flynn, PSC Jack McKinnon and Gulf War veteran PS2 Eric Bernstein.

"The primary goal of the RK program is to provide the CG Reserve with qualified petty officers in as short a time as possible," said McKinnon. "This group, while being one of the largest we've ever trained, is also one of the most motivated and dedicated."

This summer, these RKs will complete Phase II. After completion of Phase II, the RKs will return to a drilling status and continue to gain rating expertise through training and augmentation alongside their active duty counterparts. A hearty "Welcome Aboard" is extended to these young men and women who are the future of the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve.

2nd

Key to winning team: Support of CO/OinC

PADUCAH, Ky. — The key to building a winning team of active and reserve personnel depends on the support of the Commanding Officer or Officer-in-Charge. That may be the opinion of MCPO Forrest Croom, CGR CEA, but he firmly believes it and stressed it during recent visits to RU Paducah, RU Owensboro and CGC CHIPPEWA.

"Without that individual's sincere efforts, the program will be doomed to failure," said Croom in addressing RU Paducah and RU Owensboro.

Croom was accompanied by MCPO Ron Reed, 2nd District CEA. Together, they addressed their audiences and discussed leadership, reserve concerns about pay, benefits, downsizing and integration of reservists into active duty units as well as a number of other subjects.

Croom, when possible, makes it a point to visit with as many of the active duty unit's COs or OinCs who are augmented by reservists.

"Not only does this help to open the lines of communications," said Croom, "but it provides an avenue for both reserve and active duty personnel to get to know each other and build good, solid teams to carry out the Coast Guard's missions."

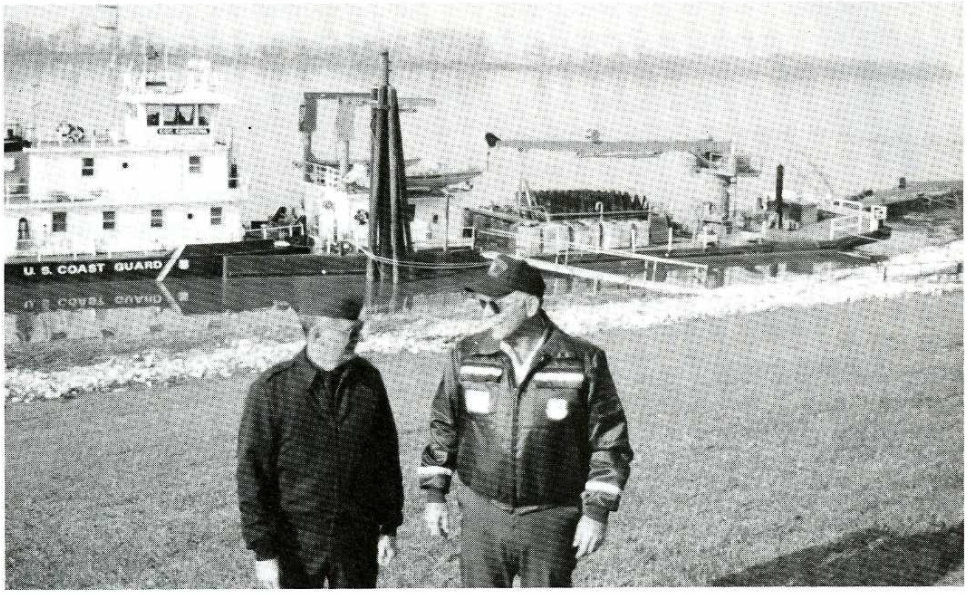

Photo by MCPO Forrest Croom, CGR CEA

MCPO Ron Reed, 2nd District CEA, left, and BMCM James Holston, OinC of CGC Chippewa discuss building a winning team comprised of active and reserve personnel. It is Holston's first command which works actively with reservists and he is looking forward to it.

Note: MCPO Croom's regular column, "On Deck" is on Page 27.

5th

Coasties respond to distress calls during Northeast storm

By PA1 Barbara Voulgaris, Reserve Group Philadelphia

LONG BEACH ISLAND, N.J. — One of the worst storms in decades pounded the Northeast with high winds and driving rain and snow, causing coastal flooding and heavy damage Dec. 11. The New Jersey coast experienced some of the worst damage and a state of emergency was declared.

Coast Guard MSO/Group Philadelphia active and reserve members responded to numerous distress calls ranging from minor oil spills to a tanker that lost its steering 30 miles east of Ocean City, N.J. There were numerous reports of boats being ripped from their moorings by winds that exceeded 70 mph.

CG Reservists at Stations Beach Haven and Barnegat Light, which are located about 18 miles apart on Long Beach Island, N.J., were not able to get on or off the island. SK2 Nadine Gookin, a reservist and resident of Long Beach Island, said that the water flooded the rear parking area and reached approximately two feet up to the door of the station.

Boats were used to reach CG housing located directly across the street from the Barnegat Light station. No serious damage was reported to the housing itself but some vehicles suffered damage due to the heavy flooding.

Editor's note: There was much damage all along the New England coast. Watch the next issue of The Reservist for details.

Scouts gain valuable boat ops experience

By D. Schram, RU Baltimore

BALTIMORE — Members of RU Baltimore's 32-foot utility boat crew provided a group of sea scouts with the opportunity to experience small boat ops first hand recently. The scouts were divided into teams of two and assigned several stations on board the boat. Each team, supervised by a qualified reserve crew member, actively participated in all aspects of small boat ops during a harbor patrol. The sea scouts and their leaders complimented the crew on their innovative approach by using scouts as "crew members."

The reserve boat crew was comprised of PS1 M. Flannery, MK1 W. Essig, PS1 J. Craumer and PS1 T. Sollanek. It was an excellent example of the team work developed between MSO Baltimore and its' reservists which resulted in CG support of an important community activity.

Reservist likes "living on edge"

By PAl Barbara Voulgaris, Reserve Group Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA — Don't tell HS3 Linda Nelson there are only 24 hours in a day. She'll tell you there must be 30. Ask this 38-year-old Rhode Island native what drives her and she'll tell you that she "likes living on the edge."

Nelson, a CG Reservist from Reserve Group Philadelphia Unit #2, has managed to accomplish quite a bit in her four years there. She holds a rate-training-indicator for boatswains mate, is a qualified crewman, engineer and coxswain, and is currently working towards her qualification as a boarding officer.

For many, drilling one weekend a month on a boatcrew in addition to a full-time job would be enough to satisfy their sense of adventure. Not so for Nelson. In addition to being a member of the Reserve, she is also a member of the CG Auxiliary, serving as a branch chief on the National Auxiliary staff and as an aid to the Commodore of the 1st District's northern region which includes Rhode Island, New Hampshire and Massachusetts. Nelson has been a member of the Auxiliary for the last six years. Her twin sister is a Flotilla Commander in Rhode Island, and is the person who first interested Nelson in the Auxiliary.

"My sister recruited me," said Nelson. "Once I got into it I was hooked. I had to join the Reserve," said Nelson. She travels to New England at least once a month for auxiliary patrols and to attend district conferences. One of the reasons she joined the Reserve was she didn't feel she had 100 percent of the authority to do her job.

As an auxiliarist, Nelson was qualified to work in the radio room. She wanted to remain in an operational billet and preferred joining the Reserve as a boatswains mate. Nelson has been a practicing pharmacist since 1977. She currently works in acute-care medicine at the Philadelphia Veterans' Hospital. She is also a part-time professor at the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science. With this medical background, she entered as a corpsman.

"I realized that I wanted to do something completely different," said Nelson. This is a nice complement to what I do professionally, but I still define myself as being a part of the medical field."

"I met Linda when she was just breaking in as a crewman," said reservist MK2 Donny Swope, who has worked on the same boatcrew with her in Philadelphia since 1990. He recalled a routine tow job where Nelson took over for the active duty crewman and assisted in the whole evolution.

"She showed us that she was being trained right. This helped build confidence in her as well as in ourselves," he said.

As far as living on the edge, Nelson adds, "In boat operations, even on a quiet day, you have to think of yourself as having an edge, being sharp. One day everything you've ever been taught will come into play."

Photo by PA1 Barbara Voulgaris, , Reserve Group Philadelphia

CG Reservist HS3 Linda Nelson

Coast to Coast Coastie repeats trek!

BM3 Roderick C. Jones of RU Station Clearwater, Fla. spent 48 days this past summer pedaling his 18-speed bicycle for charity. Jones' 3,500-mile trek spanned from Seattle to Asbury Park, N.J. and raised $9,000 which was donated to the Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute in Tampa, Fla. Proceeds were given in memory of Jones' late sister, Jill, who succumbed to leukemia last year. A chiropractor, Jones also pedaled from San Fran to Birmingham, Ala. during 1991.

7th

New method smothers tank fire

Team CG works OT during Jacksonville blaze

By PA1 Helen Carney, RU MSO Jacksonville

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — A major fuel tank fire at the Steuart Petroleum Company on the St. John's River put an abrupt halt to New Year's celebrations for Coast Guard active and reserve personnel all over the Jacksonville area. In the early hours of Saturday, Jan. 2, an employee of Steuart Petroleum, checking a possible overfill of a gasoline storage tank, drove a truck within a few feet of the tank. An explosion resulted, and the employee was killed.

The tank, which held 2.3 million gallons of gasoline, became a raging inferno. The Jacksonville Fire Department's Engine Company No. 15 responded shortly after 3 a.m. Before the fire was eventually snuffed out five days later using a previously untried method, more than 800 firefighters would fight the stubborn flames.

CG Group Mayport notified the Marine Safety Office that the fire had the potential to be a major pollution incident as well as fire hazard to the port area. Within the hour, MSO personnel had been recalled, while members of the Gulf Strike Team had been summoned.

The navigation channel was closed to vessel traffic, with three vessels and three barges told to depart the area.The CG established a safety zone for a mile in each direction, from the Trout River to the south end of Long Branch Range. CAPT James Wysocki, Commanding Officer, MSO Jacksonville and Captain of the Port, flew over the area in a helicopter to assess the situation. Over the next five days, whenever he deemed it safe, Wysocki allowed some vessels to travel one-way on the eastern side of the channel.

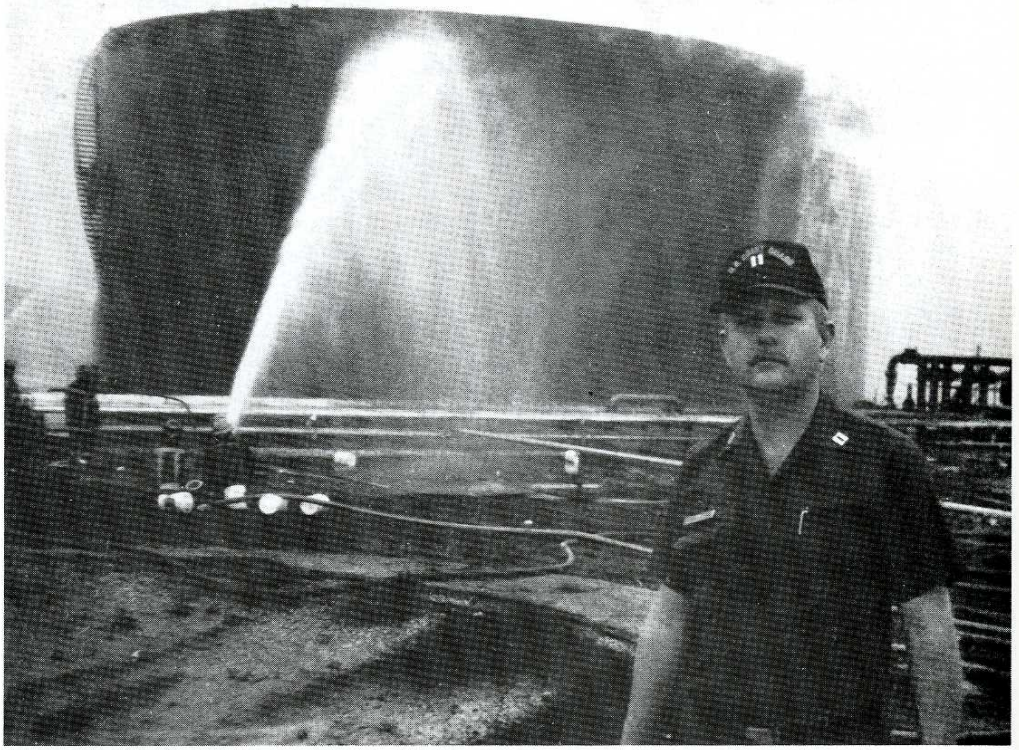

Photo submitted by LT C. Carroll, RU MSO Jacksonville

LT C.B. Carroll of Jacksonville was one of the many Coast Guard personnel helping out with a major tank fire along the St. John's River.

"We tried to work with the shipping companies that were anxious to get their ships in and out of the port," said Wysocki. "To them, time is money. However, our primary concern, first, last and always, was to protect the mariners and their vessels, protect the people of Jacksonville, prevent damage to the port and to prevent pollution. Whenever the situation grew more dangerous, we closed the channel."

> **"Some reservists saw double duty, first in a port security role over the weekend, then as firefighters (their "civilian" occupation) later in the week."**

CG Reservists from RU MSO Jacksonville assisted active duty personnel from the MSO and Group Mayport. The reservists, like their active duty counterparts, worked round-the-clock, from early Jan. 2 until they were relieved the afternoon of Jan. 6. They stood watches and provided boat crews to enforce the waterside safety zone. Some reservists saw double duty, first in a port security role over the weekend, then as firefighters (their "civilian" occupation) later in the week.

Initial predictions were that the fire would be put out quickly. Firefighters attempted to douse the fire with foam, while other firefighters kept cold water sprayed on the tank in an effort to prevent it from collapsing as well as the surrounding tanks to keep them from igniting. Local supplies of foam were quickly depleted and the CG assisted the fire department in locating additional foam.

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THE COAST GUARD RESERVE
1992
The Year in Review

In 1992, the Coast Guard Reserve augmented the active duty Coast Guard in a number of domestic emergencies and maritime operations in which its ability to provide trained personnel was critical to effectively carry out its national security mission. The Coast Guard is unique in that as one of the five Armed Services, it has broad peacetime responsibilities, which encompass economic, social and environmental activities that directly impact our well-being.

As a policy, national security is no longer confined solely to national defense, but rather encompasses a diverse range of activities, which historically have paralleled the multi-mission roles of the Coast Guard—rescuing mariners in distress, combating major oil spills, interdicting drug smugglers and protecting our ports and waterways. The Coast Guard also has a proud tradition of national defense.

In all of these areas, the Coast Guard Reserve has been an integral part in protecting and preserving our national security. In 1992, 11,500 Selected Reservists provided more than ***1.6 million man-hours of augmentation and surge support*** to the Coast Guard. The Coast Guard Reserve does not train solely for future contingencies, but rather provides immediate and tangible results from their activities.

The roles and mission of the active service determine the scope of the Reserve's activity. Whether in search and rescue, pollution response, maritime law enforcement, ensuring the safety and security of the nation's ports and waterways, or protecting our maritime interests, the Coast Guard Reserve provides the surge capability for the Coast Guard to effectively carry out the objectives of the National Security Policy of the United States.

AMERICA'S CUP YACHT RACES

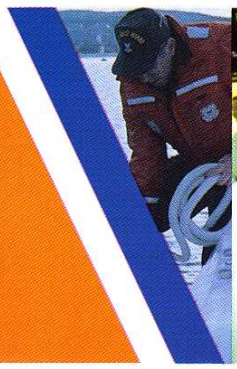
Beginning in January of 1992, America's Cup qualifying races began in San Diego. This six month event required large-scale participation of the Coast Guard Reserve in virtually every area of the operation from the planning and management of the patrol to training boat crews and providing maintenance support. Qualified coxswains and boat crewman were an integral part of the force maintaining safety and security during this major surge in operations. During the America's Cup, *the Coast Guard Reserve provided 3,815 total man days of support.*

COLUMBUS QUINCENTENNIAL

During the Columbus quincentennial celebrations in San Juan, Boston and New York, the Coast Guard Reserve provided a substantial force to augment the active duty.
As in the America's Cup Races, *950 reservists took part in every phase of each celebration,* including setting and maintaining security zones, law enforcement and search and rescue. These reservists were instrumental in assisting the Patrol Commander in each city to provide an adequate force, as well as augmenting on-going Coast Guard missions.

OPERATION SUMMERSTOCK

For nearly 20 years, the Coast Guard Reserve has provided qualified boat crews to man Great Lakes stations during the summer. A mix of active duty and reserve personnel staff these stations and conduct search and rescue, law enforcement and boating safety patrols. By efficiently utilizing Coast Guard



reservists to augment the active duty during the peak boating months, the public has an efficient resource to fill a seasonal surge in operations while providing a valuable training opportunity. The Coast Guard Reserve provided *21,000 man days of direct operational support* during Operation Summerstock.

DISASTER RELIEF OPERATIONS

The Coast Guard Reserve has responded to numerous relief operations resulting from a variety of man-made and environmental disasters. Reservists have provided tens of thousands of man days of support during surges caused by such disasters as the EXXON VALDEZ, Huntington Beach and WORLD PRODIGY oil spills. Reservists also were mobilized for military operations during the Persian Gulf War and responded to regional emergencies like the recent San Francisco Earthquake, floods in Texas and Kentucky and Hurricane Hugo.

In order to facilitate the availability of Coast Guard reservists and enhance their ability to respond and support surges in operations caused by emergencies and natural disasters, the Secretary of Transportation was granted authority to involuntarily call members of the Coast Guard Reserve. This authority under Title 14, United States Code, allowing Coast Guard reservists to augment the active duty Coast Guard during times of natural or man-made disaster was tested after Hurricane Andrew devastated the Southeast. *Nearly 200 reservists were on-scene within 48 hours* of the initial call up, handling emergency responses caused by the storm and backfilling for active duty members who suffered considerable personal losses during the storm.

More than 40 reservists assisted on the island of Kauai after Hurricane Iniki seriously damaged much of the Island. *Reservists also supported the relief efforts* on Guam after it was ravaged by Typhoon Omar. Working with their active duty counterparts, reservists helped repair public facilities, reset buoys, cleared debris from ports and harbors and cleaned oil slicks from overturned and damaged vessels.

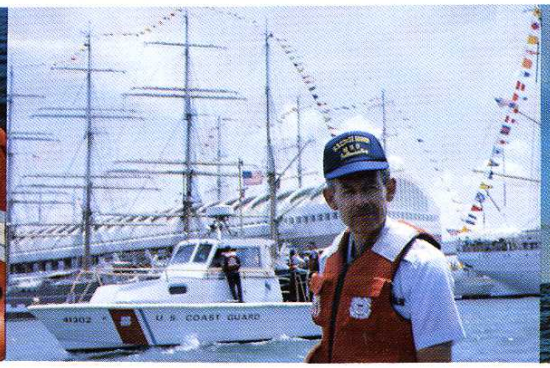
CONTINUING OPERATIONS

Since 1980, *the Coast Guard Reserve has provided over 3,300 man days of surge support* during every space shuttle launch in Cape Canaveral. The Coast Guard also provided law enforcement and boating safety patrols at the Colorado River and Navajo Lake, both with a seasonal surge requirement for a Coast Guard presence. These and other regional and local surges in operation afford members of the Coast Guard Reserve a unique opportunity to serve our country by providing valuable services that otherwise could result in the loss of life or property.

CLOSING THOUGHT...

Unless supplemented by reservists, degradation of mission performance and service to the American public is a real threat. Through careful and coordinated planning with the active duty, the Coast Guard Reserve continues to evolve and improve its ability to provide an organized, quick reaction military force available to respond whenever and wherever needed.

— By ENS John Garofolo, USCGR



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Get Your Camera Out, Focus on Missions & People of the Coast Guard/CG Reserve and enter it in the CG Reservist's...

Photo Contest

Submissions: Should be "original" work (not previously published). Entries can be any size, black & white or color prints, and need not be mounted (sorry, no slides will be considered). Although there is no limit to the number of entries per person, each entry should include a caption describing the action including names and unit, if appropriate. This opportunity is open to everyone. Submissions become property of the U.S. Coast Guard and cannot be returned. Include your name, address, phone number (work and home), unit and commanding officer's name.

Judging: Will be done by a diverse board comprised of officers, enlisted and civilian staff members. Winners will be announced some time during summer 1993.

Awards: Top three photos will receive an attractive plaque as well as a hand-painted CG Reserve wall logo. In addition, top three photos will be published in a full-color insert in The CG Reservist Magazine.

Send entries to:
Commandant (G-RS-1)
U.S. Coast Guard HQ
2100 Second Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20593
Attn: Photo Contest

Deadline: Must be postmarked no later than June 1, 1993.

Tank Fire

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Meanwhile, the intense heat from the fire and the risk of escaping vapors made attempts at emptying the other tanks risky. As a precaution, deflection boom was deployed in the river at the site and later, an additional 2,500 feet of boom was deployed around a sensitive marsh area on the Trout River.

After the first day, it became apparent that this was no ordinary tank fire. The floating dome which covered the tank had been badly damaged in the initial blast and was left hanging at an angle. The dome trapped volatile gasoline fumes and vapors while preventing foam sprayed in from the top from reaching the flames. All efforts of the local fire department seemed futile. It was believed that the fire would just have to burn itself out, a process that could take weeks. The question was, could the badly damaged tank hold up that long under the tremendous heat?

Even attempts to extinguish the fire by experts flown in from Texas were unsuccessful. On Jan. 5, the firefighters began an attempt to utilize the tank's existing piping system to extinguish the fire. To do this, they had to pump the water that had been sprayed into the tank out from the bottom. Foam cannot penetrate water and the firefighters still felt that foam was the best way to extinguish the fire. Once the water was removed, only pure gasoline remained in the tank. The firefighters then hooked up the foam spraying apparatus to the piping system within the tank. Then, simultaneously, they pumped foam in through the piping system and sprayed foam in from the top, creating a sandwich to hopefully smother the blaze.

It worked.

The fire was finally out Jan. 6 at 10:45 a.m. The Jacksonville Fire Department later learned that this "sandwich smothering" method was the first time that this type of fire had been put out that way. "Congratulations" were received from firefighters all over the world.

As for the Coast Guard, they secured from watches, sent TAD personnel back to their respective units and began writing reports. The Gulf Strike Team and other personnel returned to their units, but were ready to return immediately, if needed.

"We were prepared for the worst," said Wysocki, "and we were prepared to assist the firefighters in whatever way necessary. Fortunately, we were not needed in our full capacity."

11th Going downhill... fast!

By YN2/PA D. Bristow, D11(Ppa)

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Most parents tell their children to slow down in the hopes that they won't go downhill. But reservist PAC Ron Cabral, attached to the 11th District's Public Affairs Office here, gives his son the opposite advice. Since he was 14 years old, Chris Cabral has trained to go downhill as fast as possible and is now one of America's fastest luge competitors.

Lying on a thin, small sled and sliding down a snowy mountain at speeds of nearly 75 miles an hour is not what most of us would choose to do for "weekend fun." For Chris, it has meant many winters away from home training at Lake Placid, N.Y.

Chief Cabral speaks proudly about his son being a member of the 1990 United States National Luge Team and placing 9th in the 1992 U.S. Winter Olympic Trials in Lake Placid.

"His mother and I have been really lucky. Not only has he been a successful athlete, but he's also turned out to be a great kid," said Cabral.

Following the 1992 Olympic Trials, Chris became interested in joining the military and joined the U.S. Air Force. Airman Cabral is now a chapel manager normally assigned to Plattsburgh Air Force Base, N.Y. He has been assigned to temporary duty in Lake Placid to continue his training for preparation for the 1993 Winter Olympic Trials scheduled for March.

The senior Cabral, a middle school principal in San Francisco said, "I don't mind Chris joining the Air Force instead of the Coast Guard. We're both serving Uncle Sam and with the recent uniform changes, we can share shirts."

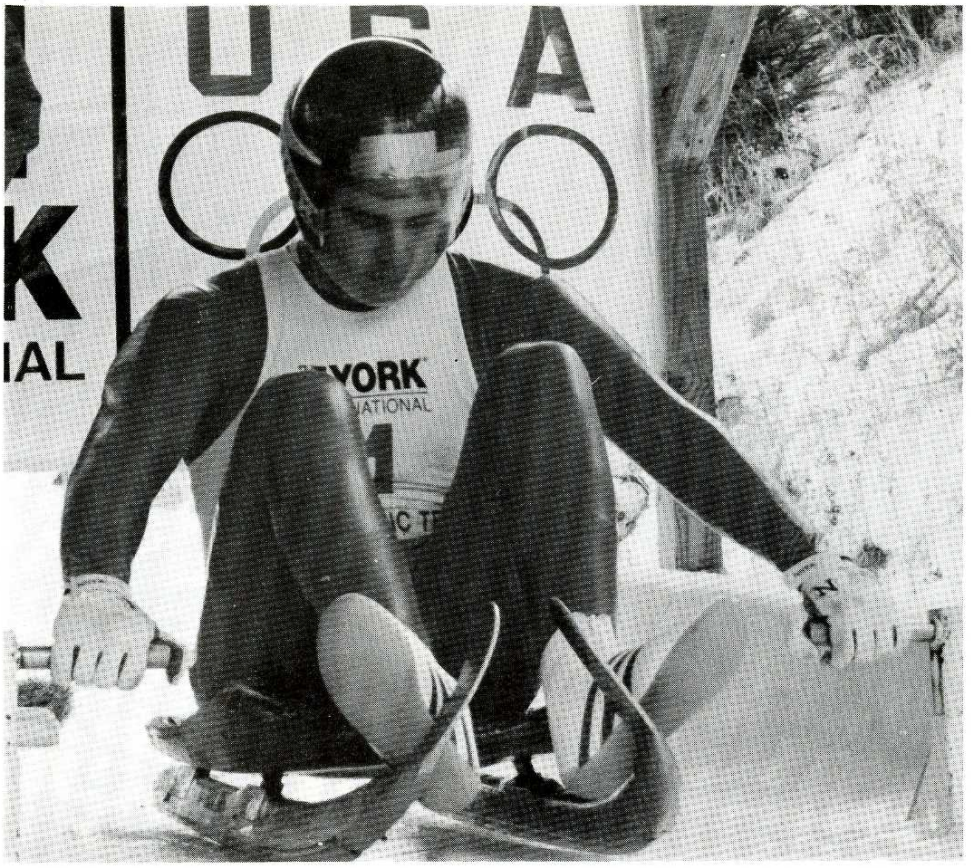


Photo courtesy of U.S. Luge Association

Chris Cabral, son of Reserve PAC Ron Cabral, starts his luge run at the U.S. Olympic Trials Jan. 11, 1992 at Lake Placid, N.Y.

Reservists provide Hurricane relief

By PAC M. Berman, RU MLCPAC

ALAMEDA, Calif. — When Hurricane Andrew hit Florida late last summer, 16 11th District reservists were deployed to provide emergency augmentation assistance The volunteers were deployed to Columbus, Ohio on Sept. 5, less than 12 hours after receiving final notification. CDR Michael Jackson of VTU Northern California took charge of the detail and led them to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Disaster Field Office (DFO) in Columbus.

Participating from RU Salt Lake City were ETCM John Martin, PSl Richard Boddy, PSl David Filanda, ETl Gary Olsen, GMl Kurt Poulson, MK3 R. Greg Eldridge, P53 Bill McCall, HS3 John Garrard and MK3 David Vanballegooie. RU Support Center Alameda volunteers included: LCDR Cal Chamberlain, CW03 Bill Farmer, PSCM Carter Mason, BMC Jerry Duff and GM3 Sergio Naranjo-Borgfeldt. Rounding out the team was BM3 Martin Rawson of RU Vessel Augmentation.

The FEMA DFO consisted of approximately 300 individuals from several federal agencies, including active, reserve and civilian Coast Guard personnel.

Rio Vista fights blaze

RIO VISTA, Calif. — FS3 Paul Clark of RU Station Rio Vista recently helped battle an engine room fire aboard the Dredge Edythe on the Sacramento River. Clark, a professional firefighter with the city of Sacramento and crewman of CG244501 was on duty when the Delta Fire District called Station Rio Vista for assistance. Clark and his crew battled the blaze along with other firefighters for 30 minutes before it was finally extinguished.Clark averted further injury to personnel and was instrumental in preventing ignition or spillage of 1000 gallons of diesel oil stored on the dredge. Clark, along with active duty BM3 C. Davis and SN R. Weston, all received the CG Achievement Medal.

13th Reservists construct RMSA

By PA1 Dennis Hall, D13(dpa)

SEATTLE — After nearly 90 days of sweat and determination, seven reservists from the 13th District can lay down their tools and rejoiced. Their hard work has paid off. They converted 3,500 square feet of vacant warehouse space at Support Center Seattle into office space for the new Reserve Management Support Activity (RMSA).

The new unit, under the command of CWO David L. Black, was officially commissioned Nov. 30, 1992. The RMSA was created to facilitate the integration of the reserve and active duty forces. Members of the RMSA will perform a large percentage of the administrative tasks initially required of the local reserve unit. Tasks such as educational services, pay, travel, ID cards, and DEERS enrollment, to name a few, will be handled by the RMSA, in order to free up approximately 70 enlisted and 20 officer reserve members. This freedom enables them to perform active duty augmentation, saving 13,000 active duty man hours per year.

Photo by PA1 Dennis Hall, D13(dpa)

CWO David L. Black, left, and RADM Joseph E. Vorbach, 13th District Commander, prepare to cut the ribbon at the opening ceremony for the Reserve Management Support Activity (RMSA) in Seattle, Nov. 30. The RMSA, created to facilitate the integration of the reserve and active duty forces, was constructed with the help of seven reservists.

The construction crew, under the supervision of LTJG Jim Pruett, consisted of CWO John Cox, BMCS John Schampera, SK1 Frank Palacios, SK1 Brion Newman, MK1 Gerald Schutz, EM1 Jerry Neidiger and BM2 Matt Meeker. All seven laborers received Commandant's Letters of Commendation for their efforts in completing the project.

14th

Point Harris gone, but not forgotten

SAND ISLAND, Hawaii — In a small ceremony at the CG base on Sand Island Dec. 4, the 22-year old CGC POINT HARRIS was decommissioned. The CG had concluded that it would have taken more than $800,000 to repair the 82-footer, severely damaged when Hurricane Iniki struck Kauai Sept. 11.

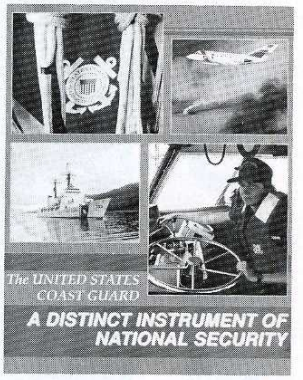
During Iniki, D14 reservists responded to the largest Reserve call-up here. Despite every possible precaution taken to prevent damage to the cutter, nearly one-third of the cutter's pilot house was destroyed when powerful winds blew a 40-foot catamaran into the cutter's bridge. The future of POINT HARRIS is undetermined. LTJG Jim McMannus, CO of POINT HARRIS, will command the POINT EVANS, scheduled to be sent to Hawaii in February.

RU Hilo recovers FAD

EASTERN HAWAII —RU Hilo reservists recently recovered a fishing aggregate device(FAD) which had become a potential navigational hazard in Kea'au Bay. FADS have been deployed around the Hawaiian islands since the late '70s and are designed to aggregate fish and increase fish landings.

MK2 John Kahiapo, FS3 Mark Ignacio and PS3 John Machado of RU Hilo recovered the FAD and towed the 800-pound buoy about 15 miles against the wind and sea back to Hilo using a 6-meter RHI.

National Security brochure available



The United States Coast Guard — A Distinct Instrument of National Security, an eight-page full-color brochure that RADM Lockwood discussed in this View, was mailed to each member of the Coast Guard Selected Reserve in late January. If you did not receive yours, write Commandant (G-RS-1), USCG Headquarters, 2100 Second Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20593. Supplies are limited.

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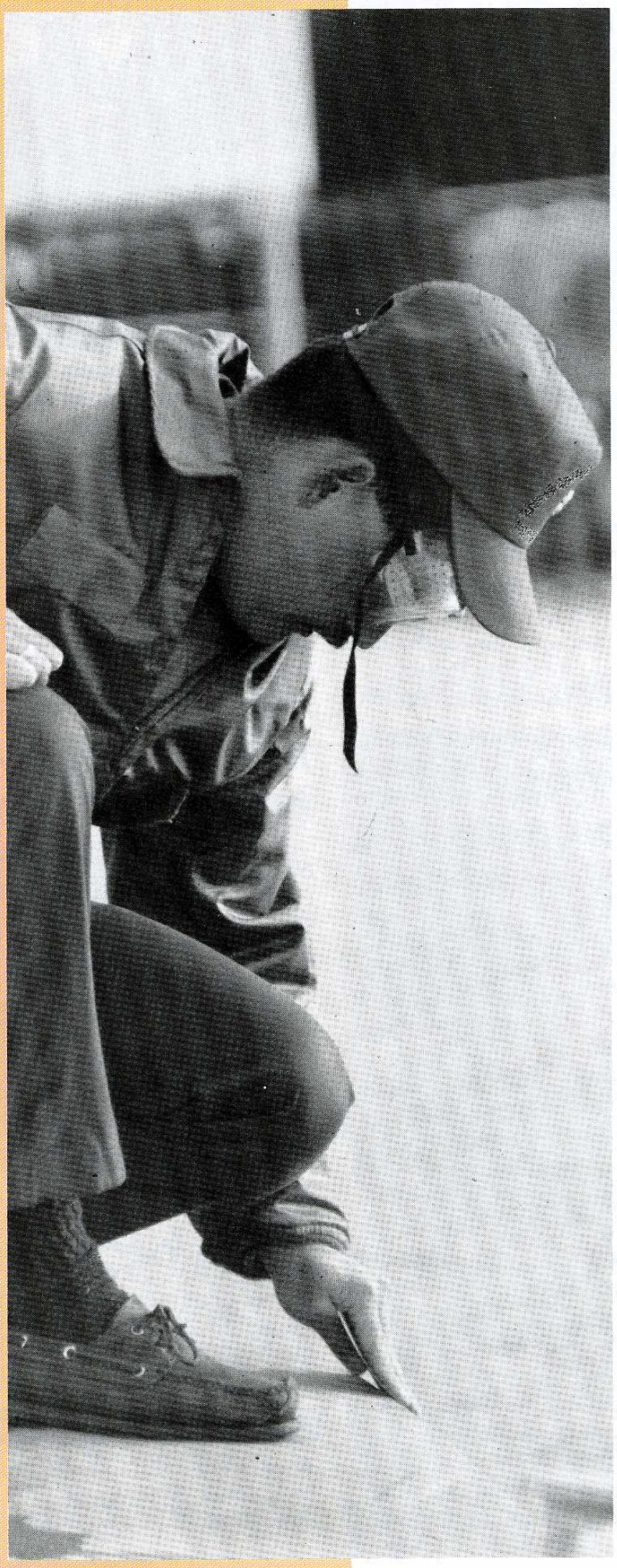
Operation Summerstock



The word summerstock might conjure up images of starving young actors in summer theater workshops. However, for Coast Guard Reservists, it means a summer job that involves hard work, valuable training, a chance to contribute to the Coast Guard and memories that last a lifetime.

The Summerstock Program is a cost effective solution to manning the 9th District stations during the heavy summer workload, while providing excellent training and experience for Coast Guard Reservists. The boating activity on the Great Lakes increases dramatically during the summer months resulting in an increase in demand for SAR coverage in the 9th Coast Guard District. Since not enough full-time billets are available to fully man all 9th District stations, Coast Guard Reservists augment stations during the summer.

Reservists are selected from applicants nationwide and are assigned to either reserve-operated or reserve-augmented stations within the Great Lakes. In most situations, they live aboard the unit and messing is provided.

"We buy three people for one man-year. You can't get a better bargain than that," said CAPT Bill Wilkins, Chief of 9th District Operations. "This is the only district I've been in where we have absolutely had to depend on the reserve and absolutely had to depend on the auxiliary. I can't think of any program in the Coast Guard where the reserve helps the active duty more."

On a more operational note, reservists often look upon Summerstock as an avenue to acquire extensive training that would not be possible during the regular drill schedule.

"It's fantastic experience for me," said SK3 Carl Finley, Pay Clerk for Operation Summerstock. "You learn the Coast Guard way and you get a little active duty behind you. And then, with all the work, you're able to learn all the different facets of the job. There isn't any (situation), I don't think, that we couldn't get through now."

Many reservists welcome Summerstock as an extended break from their civilian job or school schedule.

"They (Station Manistee, Mich.) have a few reservists who just keep coming back. It's part of their summer. It's like going off to camp and getting paid for it. They love it," said Wilkins.

This Coast Guardsman was based at Summerstock Station Frankfort, Mich. during the 1992 season.

"The reservists are very mature. They bring a level of maturity and judgment that you don't have with the 19-year-old coxswain and the 18-year-old engineer. Their thought process is a little more rational than some of the younger people can be. There are a lot of people who are dedicated to what they're doing. When you go visit these folks, they're excited and they bring a lot of experience with them," said Wilkins.

"Take someone like SK1 Ruppert who's in his late 20's. He's been on active duty and also in the reserve program for a while. His perspective is a little different," said YNC Mark Correll, Assistant Chief, Reserve Personnel Reporting Unit for the 9th District.

As the Summerstock Yeoman, Ruppert regularly dealt with the OinCs at the Summerstock stations. In this position, it was important that he exercise leadership, professionalism and an understanding of the OinC's position as well as his own.

"There are communication skills (needed) when dealing with OinCs. You have to have somebody (to fill the billet) who is able to relate to and talk to OinCs. Whether or not they just say yes, they know enough to say no without creating a tremendous amount of trouble. That is probably more important," said Correll.

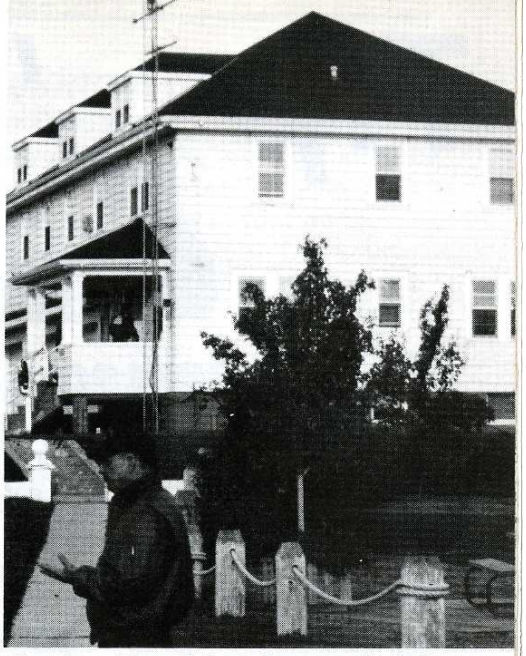
The community also reaps benefits from Operation Summerstock.

"We do our job well and the stations do their job well," said Ruppert. "That relates to the community and the community knows they're getting something for their tax money."

At Station Niagara, N.Y., reserve crews were "so happy that they had been so well accepted in the community they sent letters of thanks to the fire department, McDonald's and to the various community organizations," said Wilkins.

Station Manistee, Mich. is another prime example where station personnel have excellent rapport with the community. Coast Guard members are treated as neighbors and as friends. Community members stop in at the station to say hello and ask how things are going. In many cases they are on a first name basis with crew members.

QM1 Tom Rau, Executive Officer of Station Manistee, regularly writes articles related to Coast Guard activities and history for the local paper. In addition, the station keeps several scrapbooks with articles documenting the station's activities and accomplishments.



Station Frankfort is one of eight Summerstock stations across the Great Lakes.

LT Vince Weber, Summerstock Program Coordinator is responsible for the overall operation of the program. He compares prospective needs of the stations and their active duty billets. He must factor in Full Time Equivalent days and determine exactly how many people he can bring on board. In Fiscal Year 1993 there are approximately 50 billets to fill with summerstockers. The next step is to send out solicitations for billets. Once the requests start coming in, they are sent to the OinCs for review. From these requests, the station OinCs prepare a slate of people to bring on board and submit it to the district for processing. Members are notified of their assignments around the beginning of April.

Any reservist may apply for a Summerstock position. While most positions require specific qualifications, exceptions can be made at the OinC's discretion. Sumerstockers may serve as executive petty officers, coxswains, engineers, boat crewmen and watchstanders. However, at the present time, there is a distinct need for persons holding SS qualifications. The positions may last anywhere from one to six months, primarily in the summer when the needs are greatest.

A list of open billets is listed at left. If you have further questions, please contact YNC Correll or YN1 Meek at (216) 522-3940 or write to them at Commander (rpersru), 9th Coast Guard District, 1240 E. Ninth Street Cleveland, OH 44199-2060.

Summerstock Billet List*

Alexandria Bay, N.Y.(7)	Harbor Beach, Mich.(10)	Plum Island, Wis.(10)	Manistee, Mich.(9)
(41' UTB)	(41' UTB)	(41' UTB)	(41' UTB)
BM1*	SS2*	SS2*	SS2*
BM3	BM1*	BM1*	BM1*
MK3	BM2	BM2	BM3
SN	BM3	BM3	MK1*
SN	BM3	MK2	MK2
FN	MK2	MK3	SN
FN	MK2	SN	SN
	SN	SN	SN
	SN	SN	FN
	FN	FN	

Frankfort, Mich.(3)	Niagara, N.Y.(4)	Belle Isle, Mich.(4)	Portage, Mich.(1)
(44' MLB)	(44' MLB)	(41' UTB)	(44' MLB)
SS2*	SS2*	BM3	MK2
SN	BM2	MK2	
SN	MK3	MK3	
	FN	SN	

* Billet runs from May 10 until Sept. 17. All other billets are from May 17 until Sept. 10. Reservists able to complete only part of the period are encouraged to apply, but preference will be given to applicants who can stay entire period.

Story and photos by PA3 Pamela Sanders, G-RS-1

Tip the Hat

Marks named ROA's 1992 Outstanding CG Junior Officer

The Reserve Officers Association has named **LT John J. Marks** as the Coast Guard Reserve's Outstanding Junior Officer of the Year for 1992. Marks was presented with a plaque honoring him at the ROA Mid-Winter Conference Navy Section luncheon Jan. 26 in Washington, D.C.

In addition to his exemplary performance as a 1st District Inspector, Marks recently participated in a Joint Task Analysis to determine future training needs for Reserve Administration and Training Officers. He also recently served as Commanding Officer of RU Manasquan, N.J. While under his command, the unit was selected as the 1st CG District's Outstanding Reserve Unit for 1991 and earned the CG Unit Meritorious Commendation award. The active command at Manasquan Inlet was the 1991 Total Forces Award winner for its extensive and unique utilization and integration of the reserve forces assigned. Marks coordinated all activities between the active and reserve commands ensuring that the operational requirements of the active command were met.

LT John J. Marks

Marks was activated for Desert Storm in January 1991 and served as the Port Security Officer for COTP New York and as Admin. officer for Group N.Y./COTP N.Y. He suggested a formula for providing inoculations for over 700 Reserve personnel during ADT which was utilized by D1. He also penned "Notes from the Road" which discusses inspection-related topics in D1's *News and Views*.

A court reporter for Superior Court of Northampton County, Pa., Marks civic activities include the Palmer Township Environmental Steering Committee, Citizens Advisory Committee to the Board of Supervisors for Palmer Township, Easton Exchange Club, the Crime Prevention Program and Band Booster for his son's high school band.

Nominated by **CAPT William J. McLay**, Commanding Officer of RU First District Inspection, Marks was chosen for this distinguished award from a field of nine candidates. Nominations were submitted from four of the Coast Guard's 10 districts. ALDIST 314/92 announced Marks as the award winner.

Marks, a CG Reservist since 1976, is a resident of Easton, Pa. where he resides with his wife, Christine and two children, Stephen, 14, and Edward, 10.

ROA Outstanding CG Reserve Junior Officers

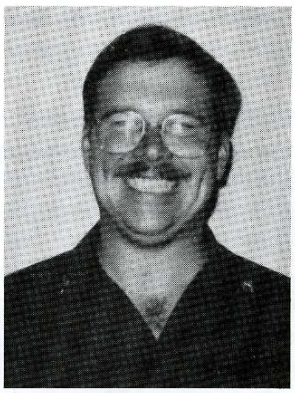
Year	Name / Unit
1992	LT John J. Marks, RU D1 Inspection
1991	LT Edward M. Katahira, RU Hilo
1990	LCDR Michael R. Seward, RU Golden Gate
1989	LT Robert Gallagher, RESGRP Philadelphia
1988	LT J. Timothy Lucas, III, RU Hilo
1987	LT Neal M. Doherty, RU Station Scituate
1986	CWO2 Richard P. Spurr, RESGRP Boston
1985	LCDR Ronald L. Murray, RU PACAREA
1984	LT Ray T. Burke, RESGRP Charleston
1983	LCDR R.W. Schneider, RESGRP Gloucester

Reservist wins USNI CG Essay contest

CG Reservist **LCDR Alan Brown** has been named the U.S. Naval Institute's Coast Guard Essay Contest first-place winner. His essay, entitled "The Coast Guard Reserve: Ready for What?" was published in the December 1992 *USNI Proceedings* magazine. He also received $1000 from USNI for his efforts.

Brown's essay discusses the changing nature of requirements facing CG Reservists. He suggests a new look at mobilization plans, and organizational concepts such as Commander CG Forces, and suggests increased emphasis on augmentation of active duty forces.

Brown is Deputy Group Commander, CG Group Woods Hole, Mass. He is a 1977 graduate of the CG Academy, a 1990 graduate of the Naval War College (College of Continuing Education), and a 1992 graduate of the Masters program at Salve Regina University. As a civilian, he is employed at the Naval Education and Training Center, Newport, R.I.



LCDR Alan Brown

First honorable mention went to **LT Timothy A. Cook**, USCG, who penned "Finding a New Niche," while second honorable mention winner was **LTJG Randall A. Barnabee**, USCG, for "A New Course for Marine Safety."

Deadline for the 1993 USNI CG Essay contest is June 1, 1993. For details, see the December 1992 *Proceedings* Magazine, Page 11 or contact the Naval Institute, 118 Maryland Ave., Annapolis, MD 21402. (410) 268-6110.

South Portland, Maine is ROA's CGRU for 1992

Reserve Unit South Portland, Maine has been selected as the Reserve Officers Association Coast Guard Reserve Unit of the Year for 1992. The award, also known as the Congressional Award Trophy, is based on evaluation of training and activities that enhance readiness, augmentation and community activities — a unit embodiment of the "citizen-sailor" concept.

Photo by PA3 Pamela Sanders, G-RS-1

CG Commandant ADM J.W. Kime, right, presents the ROA's CG Reserve Unit of the Year award to LCDR Clifford Baker, CO of RU South Portland, Maine at a formal reception at ROA's Mid-Winter Conference in Washington, D.C. Jan. 24.

With 37 enlisted and 3 officers, RU South Portland has always met or exceeded the active command's expectations. RU South Portland has an excellent augmentation program and supplied the active command with a certified boat crew every weekend. Unit members supported SAIL Boston '92 and participated in various community events . The distinction between reservist and active has all but disappeared at South Portland. This award was established in 1971.

CG awards Navy CG Meritorious Unit

A Navy Reserve unit and eight CGR officers were recognized Feb. 6 for outstanding performances in joint exercises First Shield (1991) and Flame River (1992). RADM Joel D. Sipes, Commander, 1st District, presented the Naval Reserve Maritime Defense Zone (Atlantic 1-A) with the CG Meritorious Unit Commendation. RU First District officers receiving the award were: CAPT Unger, CDR Miceli, LCDR Eisenhard, CDR Kime, LCDR Johnson, LT Lewis, LT Talanian and LT Tone.

RU Wheeling wins Morris for 2nd year

Reserve Unit Wheeling, W.V. has been named the winner of the Navy League of the United States 1992 RADM Thomas E. Morris Award. This is the second straight year RU Wheeling has won the national award, established by the Navy League in the late 1980s to recognize the CG Reserve unit with the best overall mobilization readiness posture.

The award will be presented by the Navy League to RU Wheeling's CO, LCDR John Richmond at the unit in April. RU Mayport, Fla. won in 1990; RU Port Hueneme, Calif. in 1989.

Newsy notes...

• **SK3 Ray McLennan** was recently named 1993 RU Portage, Mich. Person of the Year. Congratulations!

• **BM2 Jack Kriete**, RU Venice, Fla. has been appointed to the Navigational Safety Advisory Council. NAVSAC makes recommendations to the CG on maritime related matters. Kriete was also recently named "Group St. Petersburg Bay Area Coast Guardsman of the Year."

Making it happen...

Did you recently receive an award that you would like to see listed in the Awards & Medals section below? Simply mail a copy of your award's citation to *The Reservist*. List your unit and phone number. Please note: We generally do not run Good Conduct Medals or Change of Commands.

Awards & Medals

CG Commendation Medal
MCPO Forrest W. Croom, CGR CEA
Joint Service Achievement Medal
LT Sandford R. Sears, USCGR, MLCLANT
CG Achievement Medal w/bronze star
BM2 Robert S. Cochran, RU Annapolis
CG Achievement Medal
PSC Peter A. Stinson, RU Philadelphia 2
PS2 Michael E. Ragan, RU Annapolis
Commandant's Letter of Comm. w/"o"
MK1 James L. Spender, RU Oak Island, NC
Commandant's Letter of Comm. Ribbon
LT Sandford R. Sears, USCGR, MLCLANT
BM3 Michael U. Gulden, RU Annapolis
CWO John Cox, D13
BMCS John Schampera, D13
MK1 Gerald Schutz, D13
EM1 Jerry Neidiger, D13
SK1 Brion Newman, D13
BM2 Matthew Meeker, D13
CG Unit Commendation Award w/"o"
LT G.V. Guenard, RU Portage, Mich.
USCG Station Calumet Harbor, Ill. *
* Award included 19 reservists with RU Great Lakes and RU South Shore.
CG Meritorious Unit Award
Station Golden Gate, Calif.
Armed Forces Reserve Medal
BMC J.A. Saunders, RU Portage, Mich.

Retirements

HSCM Paul Gregory, D11
CAPT Sam Volpentest, USCGR, D13
MCPO Bill Vahey, RU Erie, Pa.

Taps

• **PSC Martin C. Bleam**, USCGR, 57, passed away Oct. 27, 1992 at his home in New Albany, Pa. Bleam, an Army veteran, had been a CG Reservist since 1973 and drilled at Reserve Group Philadelphia (RU Philadelphia 2). He was active in port operations and was involved in the 1989 Exxon Valdez spill as well as the Corinthos spill in 1974. He worked as a machinist for U.S. Guage in Allentown, Pa. He is survived by his mother, Harriet R. Bleam of Quakertown, Pa., his wife Blanche, a daughter Melanie. Interment was in St. Peter's Cemetery, New Albany, Pa. with full military honors. Members of his unit were present for services and served as military honor guard.

First Call...

Automated Reserve Servicewide process

By YNCM Ralph Emerson, USCG

Each year, about 2,000 reservists participate in Reserve servicewide examinations (SWEs). The manual process using the form CG-4716 was very time consuming at all levels, duplicated data already in our database, and had a high error rate. Automating the process will eliminate the forms, use data already available in PMIS, improve the accuracy of information used to determine eligibility, and reduce the time spent on admin functions allowing more time for augmentation/training.

The 1993 Reserve SWE will be administered during the nine-day period, Oct. 9-17, 1993. Your district commander will promulgate the exact date for administration in your district. Start planning now if you want to take the October 1993 SWE.

Your unit will receive a Commandant's Directive concerning automation of the October 1993 Reserve SWE. It's probably a good idea to become familiar with that directive.

Each reservist in pay grades E-3 through E-8 will receive a Personnel Data Extract (PDE). Your PDE will advise as to whether you meet all eligibility criteria to compete in the SWE based on information contained in the PMIS database. The PDE will also identify the examination you will receive, i.e. YN3, MK2, BMC, etc. You are strongly encouraged to review your PDE and verify the accuracy of the information ASAP. If you find discrepancies in your PDE, report them to your unit immediately. By Aug. 30, 1993, you must correct information that affects:

- The mailing of the SWE (Exam Rate, Exam Pay Grade, Exam Board OPFAC) or
- Entitlement to participate in the SWE (Minimum Time in Service, Minimum Time in Pay Grade, Erroneous or Missing evaluations / CO's recommendation, Completion of required courses).

By Oct. 15, 1993, correct information that affects final multiple scores (Awards, Total Time in Service, Total Time in Pay Grade). Use the following procedures to correct your PDE. First, line through the incorrect entry: legibly print what the correct entry should be: print your daytime phone number in the upper right corner of the PDE; attach supporting documents (Award Citations, Course Completion Letters, etc. to your corrected PDE; retain a photocopy of the PDE and supporting documentation for personal files; and send the PDE and supporting documentation **immediately** to your servicing Reserve PERSRU/RMSA.

Your unit, the district(rs) staff, the CGHQ (G-R) staff, the Institute, PPC Topeka, and a host of other key players continue to work to keep you informed about the progress of this project and to make the transitions to the automated process as smooth as possible. It is imperative that you do your part to ensure that your PDE is accurate.

RESERVE SWE CHANGES

Here some Reserve SWE changes to pay ***special attention***: to:

√ The CO's recommendation **must be provided on your May 31, 1993 evaluation.** Note, this evaluation must be on the new machine scannable enlisted evaluation form implemented by ALDIST 286/92.

√ Correspondence Courses **must be completed no later than June 30, 1993.**

√ Performance Qualifications **must be completed no later than June 30, 1993.**

√ ADT has been deleted from the final multiple computations and the performance portion of the multiple has been increased to 50 points.

√ Completion of the Active Duty for Training (ADT) requirement will now become a prerequisite for and included in the CO's recommendation for advancement.

Humanitarian Service Medal update

The Humanitarian Service Medal was awarded to military members of the United States Coast Guard during December as outlined in ALCOAST 083/92. An update in the form of ALCOAST 001/93 has specific eligibility criteria for recipients.

ALCOAST 001/93, Section 2.B states that "Coast Guard Ready Reservists eligible for the award are those who performed any duty between Oct. 1, 1991 and Nov. 30, 1992 for which retirement credits were earned."

...to Quarters

New PS Rating established

On Jan. 31, 1993, the merger of the PS and FS ratings was completed. The new PS rating emphasizes, almost entirely, port safety skills and knowledge. The FS rating was disestablished and all former FS's have been automatically lateraled to the PS rating. If you are a port securityman, it is important that you read COMDTINST 1223.8B (Implementation Policies and Procedures for the Merger of the Port Securityman and Fire and Safety Technician Ratings) dated Aug. 27, 1992. COMDTINST 1223.8B identifies revised PS rating requirements, specific lateral procedures, and changes to the advancement and promotion procedures for the new PS rating.

Some of the key points identified in the Instruction are:

Δ The PS rating Performance Qualifications have been significantly changed, rendering earlier PS and FS Performance Qualifications obsolete.

Δ All PS and FS Correspondence Courses are now obsolete and no longer meet correspondence course requirements for future PS SWE's.

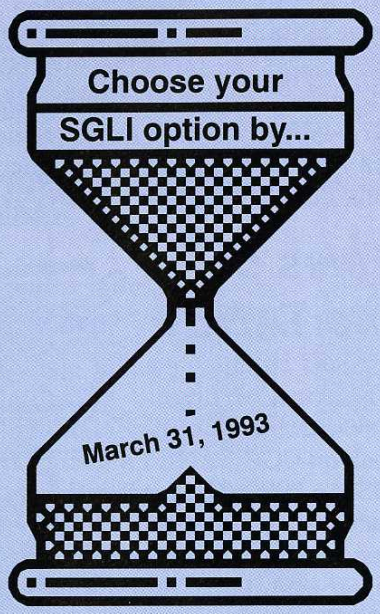
Δ Most PS rated personnel will need to complete some refresher training to remain competitive for promotion.

Δ All PS rated personnel are now required to have normal color vision or a waiver from Commandant (G-RST) to remain in the rating.

The FS rating badge is no longer authorized to be worn as part of the uniform.

These key points are only highlights. You need to read the entire Instruction to get all of the details. If you have specific questions about COMDTINST 1223.8B, LCDR Mike Price (G-RST-2) is the contact person at (202) 267-0624.

SGLI options deadline nears



The Veterans' Benefits Act of 1992, signed Oct. 29, 1992, made new insurance benefits available to members as of Dec. 1, 1992. As modified by the Act, Serviceman's Group Life Insurance (SGLI) will insure new eligible members automatically for $100,000 and allow them to decline coverage, elect a reduced level of insurance in multiples of $10,000, or elect a higher level of coverage up to a maximum of $200,000 (also in multiples of $10,000).

The Department of Veterans' Affairs says the new insurance levels will carry the same premium rates per $10,000 of coverage as currently apply to SGLI, (80 cents per $10,000 coverage). Under VA policy, any member eligible for SGLI coverage on Nov. 30, 1992, may elect once, at any time while still eligible, but no later than March 31, 1993, to increase the amount of SGLI coverage up to the maximum of $200,000 without proof of good health. All eligible members must complete a new (November 1992 version) SGLV 8286 not later than March 31, 1993. SGLV 8286 forms are available at rpersru's.

Refer to **ALDIST 024/93** which amplifies **ALCOAST 078/92** for Coast Guard Reservists and SGLI. The program manager of SGLI and VGLI is Commandant (G-PS-5), (202) 267-0276 or 1-800-424-7950.

SGLI and IRR

Several reservists have sent personal checks to PPC to pay for SGLI coverage. Reservists assigned to the IRR are not eligible to elect SGLI if they are assigned to OPFAC 87400, 87500, 87600, or 87900. Members not eligible for SGLI can be eligible for VGLI coverage. If you need detailed information on SGLI/VGLI, contact: Office of Serviceman's Group Life Insurance, 212 Washington Street, Newark, NJ 07102. (201) 877-8840.

First Call to Quarters...
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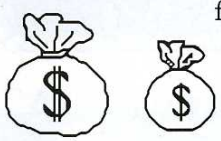
More MGIB money

By LTJG Orwig, G-RSM-1

This is no joke! On April 1, 1993, Reserve MGIB benefits will be increased for full time students from $170 to $190 per month. Three quarter time will go up from $128 to $143, while those attending half time will go up to $95 from the current $85. Less than half time payments will increase also based on the number of units carried. The increases are the result of changes in the law enacted by Congress during October 1992. The law also provides for future increases in monthly rates payable for educational assistance under the Selected Reserve program. Previously, these increases were tied to the Consumer Price Index, but now they will become automatic with the first adjustment taking effect in FY 94. Tutorial assistance is now available under limited conditions. Check with your school VA representative for details.



VA loan eligibility for Selected Reservists

From D1 News & Views

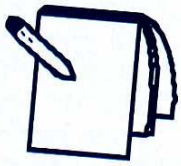
On Oct. 28, the President signed legislation providing a seven-year pilot program giving the Veteran's Administration home-loan eligibility to reservists with six years of service in the Selected Reserve. Adjustable rate VA mortgages are available for the first time, as well as fixed rate mortgages. The setting of VA home loan interest rates are negotiated among buyers, sellers and banks.

Previously, the government set the VA home loan rate at 7.5 percent. Lenders were charging points equivalent to 5 to 7 percent of the amount financed, usually having to be paid by the seller. The new ruling lets the buyer find their best deal without the hassle. Interested reservists should check with their closest Veterans Affairs office to get more details.

CG golf tourney

The 1993 CG golf tourney will be held May 12-15 at Wintergreen Resort, Wintergreen, Va. One practice day will be followed by three days of individual stroke play. Cost is $360 for golfers; $160 for non-golfers. Reservists are welcome. Reservations deadline is April 1, 1993. See COMMANDANT NOTICE 1710, dated Dec. 16, 1993 or contact CAPT Albert Sabol, (202) 267-0489; Dr. Mike Parnarouskis, (202) 267-0086; CDR Dave Beach, (202) 267-2188

Tales o' the TANEY



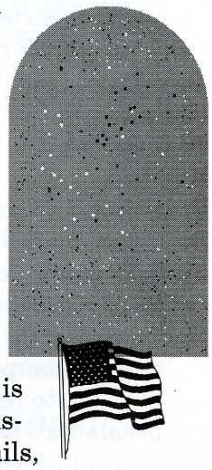
LTJG Brian Whetstine, USCGR, is researching a book on CGC TANEY's history from 1936 to 1986. The book will tell the history of TANEY through the experiences of her crewmembers as well as her evolutions. If you were a TANEY crewmember or know someone who was, please contact LTJG Brian J. Whetstine, 8747 Contee Road, Apt. 402, Laurel, MD 20708. (301) 490-3156 (home) or (301) 688-7877 (work). A questionnaire will be sent out to those responding.

Reserve OES QAT delivers final report

RADM Lockwood cited a review of the Reserve Officer Evaluation System as one of his key initiatives for the first year in his *Vision, Mission, Guiding Principles* brochure. A QAT consisting of Selected Reservists, district and headquarters staffs was formed to study the Officer Evaluation System. The QAT, which was chartered on June 24, 1992, worked through Dec. 14 and delivered its final report to the Office of Readiness & Reserve on Feb. 3. The QMB is studying the recommendations and you may expect to see changes in the OES procedures in the near future.

Reserve burials

Reservists with at least 20 years' service are now eligible for government burial markers or headstones and a burial flag under PL 102-547, the Veterans Home Loan Amendments of 1992. However, only those reservists who die while on active duty are eligible for burial in national cemeteries.



Just as for veterans with active duty service, all that is required for career reservists to receive a headstone or marker and a burial flag is a discharge other than dishonorable. For more details, contact your regional VA office.

ALDISTs / ALCOASTs for reservists

Reserve Enlisted to Warrant Appointment Process	ALDIST 312/92
Reserve Enlisted Advancements for CY93	ALDIST 356/92
Veterans' Benefits Act of 1992, Changes in SGLI (Amplifies info. for CG Reservists from ALCOAST 078/92)	ALDIST 024/93
New Enlisted Evaluation Form	ALDIST 286/92
Participation in 1993 CIOR	COMDTNOTE 1710
Automation of October 1993 Reserve SWE	COMDTINST 1418.1
Administrative Separation Procedures for Homosexuality Cases	ALCOAST 014/93
Operational Intelligence School	ALDIST 030/93
Humanitarian Service Medal For Multiple Operations	ALCOAST 001/93

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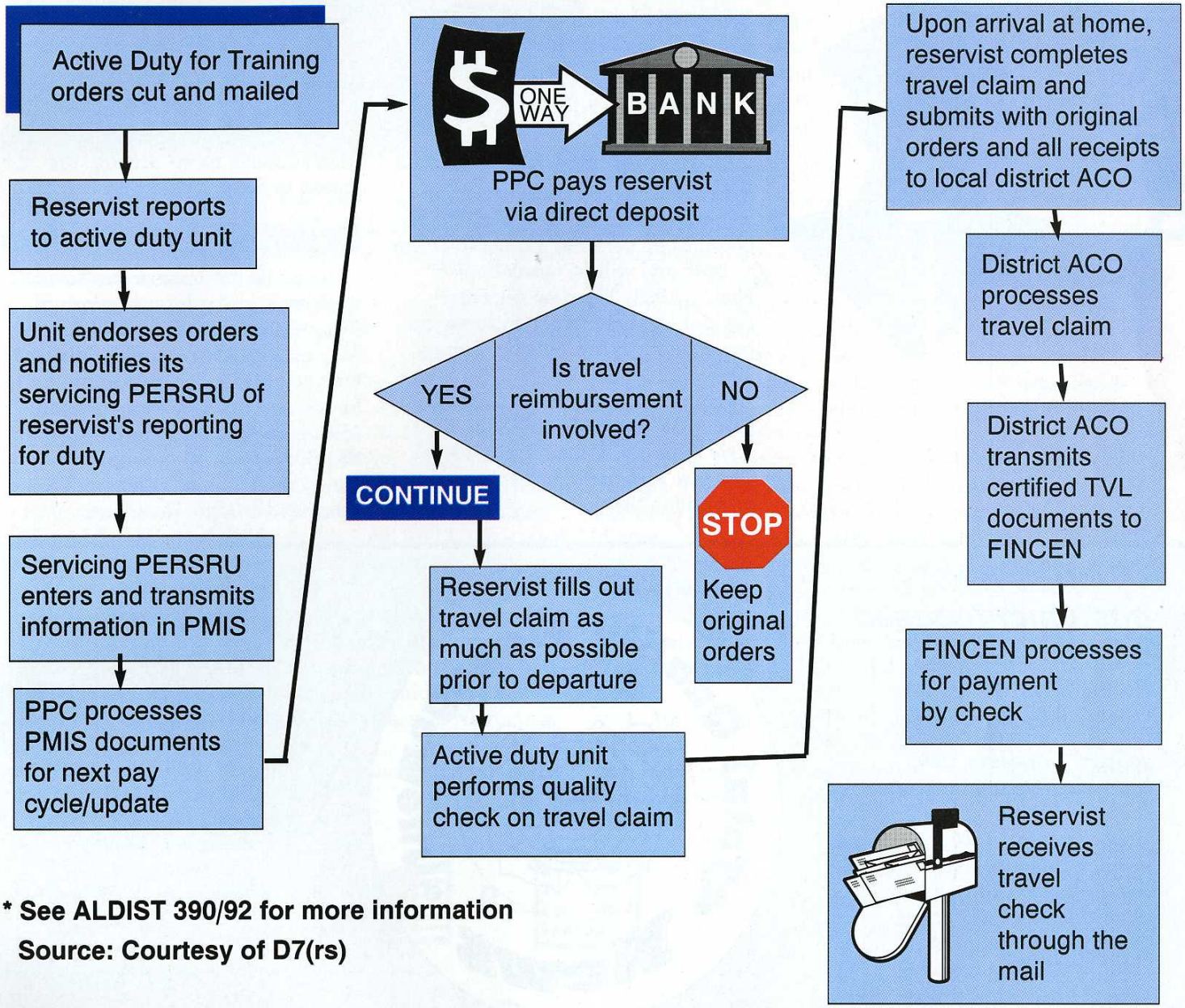

*** See ALDIST 390/92 for more information**

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Nationwide TEMAC/SADT/EAD

As of 2/22 /93

Place	Duration	Rate/Rank	Quals	Point of Contact
R&D Center, Groton, CT	Thru FY 93 (starts ASAP)	O3-O4	MEP background, Environ. Sci./Mgmt. degree, oil/hazard chem resp/hazmat mgmt/environ. compliance	CDR Tebeau, (203) 441-2812
MLC PAC (t), Alameda, CA	130 days (starts ASAP)	O3	TeleComm support, VTS SF, Seattle & LA/LB, Req. elec. background, computers for project mgmt.	Mr. D. Fattig, (510) 437-5842
MLC PAC (t), Alameda, CA	130 days (starts ASAP)	CWO4	TeleComm support, VTS SF, Seattle & LA/LB, Req. elec. background, exp. w/ PASCAL	Mr. D. Fattig, (510) 437-5842
CGHQ(G-LMI)	30 days (starts ASAP)	Any rank/rate if qual.	Attorney/paralegal, civil penalties revision	CDR R. Knee, (202) 267-0090
CGHQ(G-OIS-2)	30 days (starts ASAP)	Any enlisted TT	Phone switch MITEL 2000SX maint. exp. Secret clearance required	CWO2 McMahon, (202) 267-0819
CGHQ(G-PS-4)	Ends FY93	CPO/CWO2-4	Housing office experience	Ms. Peters, (202) 267-2228
USCGC Gallatin	7-30 days, negot. diplomatic patrol	E4-O4	Speak Polish or Estonian (Russian)	LTJG DiRenzo, (216) 668-4683
CGD9 SAR Stations	120-130 days (Operation Summerstock) (See Summerstock billet listings on bottom of Page 19)	E2-E7	BM, MK, SN, FN, SS	Op. Sum. Coord., (216) 522-3940

UNIFORM CORNER

Phase-in/out schedule for uniform items

COMDTNOTE 1020, dated Jan. 3, 1993 gives valuable information on the phase-in and phase-out schedules for uniform items. Reservists are strongly encouraged to read this to ensure they conform with the Uniform Regulations, COMDTINST M1020.6. Below are some highlights:

· **Men's Light Blue Short Sleeve Shirt** — The *old style* shirt is the required one until May 31, 1993. It becomes an optional shirt as of June 1, 1993 and will be obsolete as of Nov. 1, 1994. The new *Air Force Style* shirt is currently optional but becomes the required shirt June 1, 1993.

· **Women's Light Blue Long & Short Sleeve Shirts** — The *old style* remains as the required shirt. The *new style with pockets* remains an optional item.

· **Windbreakers** — *Poly/Cotton* version is currently an optional item. It becomes obsolete as of Oct. 1, 1995. The *Poly/Wool* version is currently an optional item. It becomes a mandatory seabag item replacing one SDB Coast as of Oct. 1, 1995.

· **Wooly-Pully Sweater** — Is an optional item, for indoor/outdoor use.

Shoulder boards, formal dress and other uniform items are also discussed in the COMDTNOTE 1020.

Ordering uniform items

If you do not have access to a CG uniform store, you may order uniform items from TRACEN Cape May at your own expense. TRACEN tries to process orders within 48 hours, and accepts Visa and Mastercard. Their number is (609) 884-6933. Operating hours are 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (Eastern Time), Tuesday through Thursday.

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The 13th District has opened a Reserve Management Support Activity which centralizes support for reserve personnel in Washington State. Benchmarking a similar support activity used by Headquarters in San Francisco, this change identified 13,000 hours of manpower for reinvestment in the Reserve program. Officers and enlisted personnel, both reserve and active duty, worked in natural working groups to design new procedures and provide input to the support activity design process. Following the textbook TQM process, they developed what may be one of the most customer focused facilities in the Coast Guard today.

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Mobile NWG

A natural working group at MSO Mobile, Ala. studied ways to improve reserve augmentation. Their resulting actions increased augmentation 500 percent.

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Quality pays

YN3 Babcock of D13(rs) received a $750 intangible award through Idea Express for his Unit Attendance Report idea. When adopted CG-wide, this idea is expected to save the Reserve Program substantial funds.

— D13 Quality People

Checklist for a quality workday

√ Clarify your goals. Focus on results, not just activities.
√ Review your long-range goals daily.
√ Use priority codes that indicate importance/urgency.
√ Ask yourself if what you are doing is helping you reach your goals.
√ Make sure your first hour at work is productive.
√ Strive for continual improvement in all you do.
√ Plan your time.
√ Make your to-do list for tomorrow before you leave work today.
√ Learn to say "no" when you should.
√ Develop a system for sorting/scheduling paperwork.
√ Keep clutter under control so you can work more efficiently.
√ Develop "on-time" habits.
√ Practice the Golden Rule.

Share TQM news, ideas or successes. Call Elizabeth Neely (G-CPP-3) at (202) 267-2771.

On Deck

By MCPO Forrest W. Croom

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"Master Chief, last year you told us we were not going to reduce our force along with DoD! What happened to change that? Are they going to eliminate the Coast Guard Reserve too?"

In response to the first question, last year, I did say we were not involved in the DoD reductions. We were not and still are not involved in the DoD reductions. However, we are involved in reductions in the Coast Guard Reserve because we were not allocated enough money by Congress to do our work with the number of people we had on the payroll. Therefore, in order to maintain the best qualified force for the money we have, a reduction became necessary. RADM Lockwood, Chief, Office of Readiness & Reserve has said, and I agree, that a smaller, well-trained force is far better than a larger inadequately trained one.

As for question number two, the answer is no, and I say that without any equivocation or mental reservations whatsoever. My working relationship with the boss and his with his boss is such that it can be said there are no plans to eliminate the Coast Guard Reserve. No further discussion is necessary.

My travel schedule the last year has been a busy one. The 9th and 11th had the most visits from this office. The Summerstock stations put the 9th District in the forefront as I covered them last summer in a two-week period, and also visited reserve units along the way. The majority of those visits were by invitation, and since there was no official guide to follow because the CGR CEA position was new, I let the situations guide me to the different districts. Now with some order established and valuable lessons learned, visits to the other districts will be scheduled more systematically.

Speaking of lessons learned, one which has proven very valuable is to talk with the active duty OinC or Commanding Officer of the augmentation site where reserve units drill. I believe the success of any reserve unit augmentation depends on the positive attitude of the active duty CO/OinC. Just getting to know them and share ideas has been extremely helpful in understanding day to day operations. I never hold all-hands with active duty units when I travel alone. However, when I travel with the District CEAs, they do, and I sometimes explain the Reserve program if the question arises. I much prefer traveling with my peers as it establishes better working relationships and better understanding of what the Coast Guard family is all about.

In 1993, my visits will be directed primarily toward the 1st, 7th, 8th Districts and District(r) staffs. However, this will not prohibit me from visiting other districts or units when requested. In a future column, I will address my travels and visits with DoD personnel. There are some very interesting similarities between services concerning our mutual problems.

Finally, I would like to address three questions which have been asked by personnel going into a non-pay status:

1. Am I covered under the portal to portal law when drilling in the IRR, VTU, Category H, etc? Yes, you are covered if under orders. Orders written either annually, monthly, weekly or individually or in some cases, orally. However, to be safe, I recommend written orders.

2. Am I still eligible for MGIB benefits if I go to the IRR involuntarily? Yes, in some circumstances. Each individual must check their own situation with his or her educational officer.

3. Am I eligible to continue my SGLI in the IRR? Yes, if you are in receipt of your 20-year letter. No, if you have less than 20 years service. There are other clarifications with the SGLI.

The bottom line: Check your personal situation very carefully to ensure all your bases are covered. In the next few years, we will be faced with many new challenges. I envy those of you who will be there to meet them. I also know that you will, as always, be "Semper Paratus."

Retirement time...

Photo by MCPO Forrest W. Croom, CGR CEA

MCPO Bill Vahey, left, holds his final chief's call on the eve of his retirement from RU Erie, Pa. Joining the final call was BMC Craig Carter, far right, OinC Station Erie. The retirement ceremony coincided with MCPO Croom's official visit to the unit.

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