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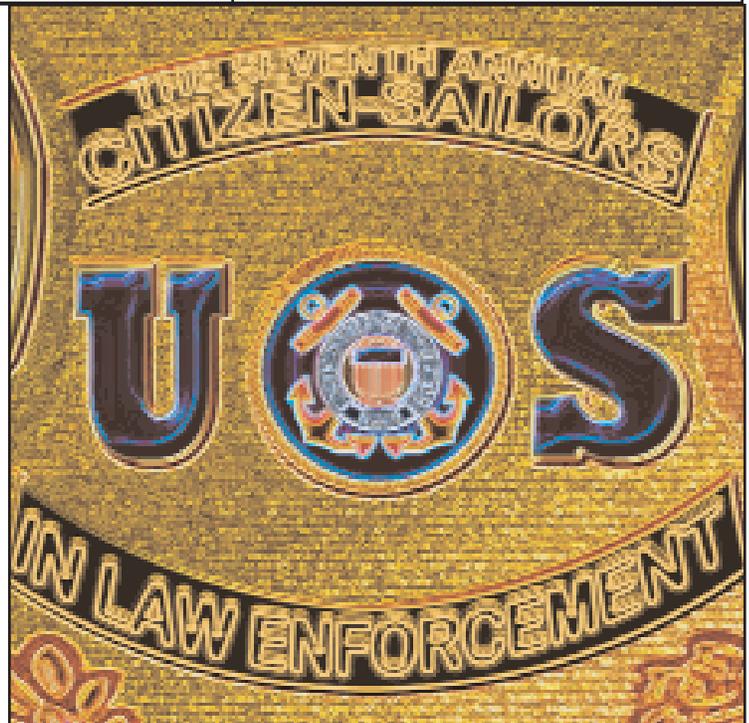
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Letter from the Editor & Chief



A PSU 302 raider boat patrols a harbor in Bahrain during Desert Storm. Called "Dawn Patrol," the photo won first place in The Reservist's photo contest in 1993 and was taken by BM1 Steven Henn, USCGR, while he was deployed with PSU 302.

The terrorist attack on the *USS Cole* (DDG 67) in the Persian Gulf on Oct. 12 reminded us all once again what a dangerous place the world remains in the post-Cold War era. It also reminded us what a serious mission all of our military services have, including the Coast Guard. I would draw your attention to this issue's Bulletin Board for information on the *USS Cole* Fund, established recently to help the families of the lost and injured.

The Persian Gulf region where the *Cole* was attacked may be half way around the world from our shores, but many of our very own Coast Guard Reservists have served there. In fact, it was exactly 10 years ago, in the fall of 1990, that our then three Coast Guard Reserve port security units — PSU301 from Buffalo, PSU302 from Cleveland and PSU303 from Milwaukee — deployed for the Persian Gulf region during Desert Shield. As you may recall, this followed on the heels of Iraq invading Kuwait on Aug. 2, 1990. Simultaneously, the U.S. Coast Guard was celebrating its Bicentennial that very same year. In early 1991, three PSU replacement units trained at Camp Blanding, Fla. with two of them eventually deploying to the Persian Gulf.

This issue is our seventh annual "Citizen-Sailor" issue, an idea conceived in 1994 to salute our reservists' diverse civilian employment and community involvement. This year, we are saluting those of you who serve on the home front in the field of Law Enforcement. Our Coast Guard Reserve has a huge contingent who serve in this often dangerous profession helping keep our nation's streets safe and secure. The members represented in this issue are a cross-section of that large Reserve population.

With Veterans Day here again, we salute all U.S. veterans, those military members currently serving, especially on the *USS Cole*, all those who served during the Persian Gulf War, and, on the home front, our Coast Guard Reservists in Law Enforcement.

-ED.

JULY/AUGUST FEEDBACK

In addition to the units mentioned in the *Linked Seas 2000* article in the July/August edition of *The Reservist*, PSU TRADET from Camp Lejeune, NC was also involved in the exercise. The TRADET provided personnel for operations and support prior to and during the exercise. PSU TRADET played a key role in the success of *Linked Seas 2000* and should be included in the list of participating units.

— ENS John Padgett II, USCGR
PSU TRADET, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

When I received my issue of the July/August *Reservist*, I read the article on the YMCA poster insert. I immediately took action. I went to the Wal-Mart Super Center in Sebastian, contacted the public relations manager and asked him for permission to hang the poster. He gladly obliged and he took a photo of me in my Auxiliary uniform pointing to the poster.

— Anthony A. Kloska, USCG
Auxiliary
Sebastian, Fla.

I was successful in having the building manager place the YMCA poster in a glass enclosed bulletin board by our cafeteria at the Miami-Dade Police Department, the largest law enforcement agency in the Southeast United States. Hundreds of employees and guests potentially saw the poster during the two weeks it was displayed.

— CWO2 Don Rifkin, USCGR
Miami, Fla.

In keeping with the Citizen-Sailor theme and RADM Sirois' letter on building the Auxiliary, Reserve, and Retiree network (July/August issue, page 7), how about doing a feature on Reserve retirees that "crossed decks" over to the Auxiliary after retirement? I recently joined Auxiliary flotilla 15-7, in Solomons, Md., and was pleasantly surprised to find a handful of dedicated Coast Guard regular and reserve retirees still serving.

— LT Tim Pannone, USCGR (Ret.)
Leonardtown, Md.

AN HONOR AND A PRIVILEGE

Few opportunities present themselves that can be both rewarding to a Coast Guard member, a family of a lost veteran, and the nation as a whole. The story I share is one that every member of the Coast Guard can have the pleasure to experience.

In the process of checking out from my annual tour, I overheard that no one could be found to represent the 5th District at the funeral for a World War II veteran. Upon hearing this I immediately volunteered.

My destination was Kulpmont, Pa., a quaint town located in the beautiful mountains of Central Pennsylvania. While the drive would be long, I looked forward to representing the Coast Guard and having an opportunity to give something back. Little did I know I would receive much more than I

had expected. Upon arriving, I located the cemetery and inquired from a local town member the location of the church.

When I went to the funeral home for the viewing, I was welcomed by many people who told their story of how they tried to get someone to represent their veteran. The aunt of the grandson (of the deceased) told me that he was on the phone seven hours trying to get someone from the Coast Guard to be at the funeral. Later at the church, the grandson gave a speech discussing his grandfather's life and how he would tell of his many exploits as a member of the Coast Guard. He didn't think anyone would show. He was eternally grateful and as part of his eulogy, thanked the Coast Guard for coming. A respected member of a family, church and town was given the full honors that he so rightly deserved. The feeling of passing honors was overwhelming.

The embrace from the family and knowing that I alone represented all that some may ever know of the Coast Guard was a special feeling. One thing I know

for sure is that this family will remember that MSO/Group Philadelphia came through when no one else would. A large family with members from all over the East Coast will tell the story of how the Coast Guard and a grateful nation remembered their hero.

— LT Rick Neiman, USCGR
MSO/Group Philadelphia, Pa.

Ed's note: This is a wonderful letter as we salute our veterans again on Veterans Day Nov. 11. When passing LT Neiman's story on to MCPO-CG Patton, he too relayed a similar story....

On Tuesday, Sept. 5, while stopping for some quick "take home" items at a nearby grocery store, I happened to see an elderly lady outside crying. I walked over to ask her what was wrong. She told me that her husband had died a few days ago, and she just found out that the Army could not provide someone for his gravesite ceremony. She told me that although he didn't stay in the Army past his stint in World War II, her husband was a very proud veteran, and loved his service during the war.

I was moved, and told her not to worry. I asked her to tell me when the funeral was, and that I'd be there. On the morning of Sept. 8, I presented the flag to her. It really made me feel good about doing it. I also learned afterwards that her husband had earned two Silver Stars during his time in the Army during the battle of Normandy. I wondered if he was brought to shore by Coast Guard coxswains of the LCVPs? Nonetheless, I was happy to do it — and it emphasizes that this particular time, especially with the large number of World War II vets passing on — a uniform presence is more than just a "show of the colors."

— MCPO-CG Vince Patton, USCG
Washington, D.C.



Anthony A. Kloska,
USCG Auxiliary

A "LATE" COMPLAINT

I really love the magazine but have a complaint. I never get the magazine on time. For example, I received the June issue in the mail on July 8. By that time half of the Upcoming Events items are already past. Is there something you can do in mailing so that those of us in the more remote districts can get the magazine on a more timely basis?

— LCDR J.T. Laufer, USCGR
Honolulu, Hawaii

Ed's note: This has been a problem that we're definitely aware of, especially since the U.S. Postal Service pulled our second-class rate a couple of years ago and we were forced to return to bulk rate. By going bulk, it can take up to several weeks to reach readers (especially on the West Coast) once it leaves our printer in Buffalo, N.Y. We're working with the Coast Guard mail manager to amend our contract to return to periodical rate for 2001. In the meantime, we suggest you read "Upcoming Events" from the Reservist web version as a temporary fix. www.uscg.mil/reserve

THANK YOU...

Since being named Reserve Enlisted Person of the Year, I've been going around the region talking to people about the Coast Guard and what a wonderful organization it is because of the wonderful people who are in it. I never doubted what I was saying was true, but the assistance I received from fellow Coasties following the flooding of our home in August really drove it home. Even total strangers came forward to help. All I can say is thank you.

— PS2 Jim Cullen, USCGR
Lake Hopatcong, N.J.

We deeply appreciate all you did to see that information about BMC David D. Donnelly appeared in Taps in the June 2000 issue. Your efforts demonstrated the true unity found in our service. We extend our deep respects to you and your team.

— YN2 Mark Underhill, USCGR
Bridge City, Texas

Ed's note: Readers are reminded that The Reservist does not obtain a list from any specific USCG command or "clearing house" for those who have "crossed the bar." Individuals usually contact us directly with information for Taps. In this case, YN2 Underhill told us of the passing of Chief Donnelly.

Thank you to the U.S. Coast Guard for the opportunity to serve my country as a member of the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve, and to mention the outstanding retirement ceremony that MSO Detroit provided me and my family last December. As I mentioned in my retirement remarks, as a career civil servant, it always has been and will be a privilege to have been "in the service." I find great solace by the fact that the term "service" has been a significant part of my career.

— LCDR Robert F. Babcock, USCGR(Ret.)
De Witt, Mich.

CORRECTION

The Coast Guard Reserve Policy Board article in the July/August issue on page 11 had a name misspelled. It should be ELC3 D.R. Borries, ESU St. Louis versus ELC3 D.L. Borres, ISC St. Louis. The original message, ALCOAST 062/00, contained this error as well.

L I C E N S E P L A T E //

NEW YORK: THE EMPIRE STATE

Since *The Reservist* is featuring "Citizen-Sailors in Law Enforcement" in this issue, **TCC Robert Ziehm** of New York state gets the nod this month. Ziehm serves as a Lieutenant Detective with the Orchard Park Police Department (a suburb of Buffalo) where he has been employed for 26 years. Here, the chief is shown next to his Ford Explorer and "USCG PSU" plates that he obtained in 1997. He is a former member of the now decommissioned RU Buffalo and took part when the Coast Guard's modern port security program began in the early 1980s. He deployed to Saudi Arabia with PSU 301 (Buffalo) during the Persian Gulf War in September 1990. He also served with PSU 309 in Cleveland from 1995-1998. In 1999, Ziehm was called upon to start a law enforcement and intelligence team at Coast Guard Group Buffalo. His five-member team networks with local, state, and federal law enforcement and works with the Canadians when border problems arise. Ziehm, who just turned 51 on Oct. 15, enlisted in the Coast Guard in February 1968 and has 32 years service. He also served aboard *CGC Duane* during the Mariel Boatlift in 1980 and assisted in setting up the Joint Communications Center in Valdez, Alaska in spring 1989 during the *Exxon Valdez* oil



Photo courtesy of TCC Robert Ziehm, USCGR

TCC Robert Ziehm

spill. Chief Ziehm's wife, Linda, is a lieutenant commander and intelligence officer in the Naval Reserve. They have three sons: Rob, 20; Brent, 16; and Brigam, 12.



RESERVISTS ARE PAID TO...

Last year I reported on the many contributions made by reservists to the Active Duty Component of the Coast Guard, citing in excess of 1,400 work years, done at a cost of about 2 percent of the Coast Guard's budget.

Traditionally, search

and rescue accounts for 33 percent of routine Reserve augmentation activities, port safety and security comprise 26 percent, while marine environmental protection is about 13 percent. Other operational programs including law enforcement, aids to navigation, merchant vessel inspection, defense operations, boating safety, vessel traffic services, NESUs, ESUs, Coast Guard clinics and PERSRUs make up the balance of routine augmentation activities.

Aside from its value as a force multiplier for routine operations, the Coast Guard Reserve has contributed invaluable service in contingency and "surge" operations. We have many reports of successful short-term surge ops such as the John F. Kennedy, Jr. search-and-rescue/recovery operation, and the Alaska Airlines Flight 261 event, but we have yet to test a large scale call up in response to a regional emergency since the Reserve Component integrated into the Active Component in 1995.

Last September, operational commanders requested and received authority to involuntarily recall up to 350 reservists in anticipation of rescue and disaster recovery operations following Hurricane Floyd. Although we had not identified specific reservists to respond, we were optimistic that a very high percentage of those called would respond. Ultimately, a recall was avoided due to a favorable course change by Floyd.

In the past 11 years, Coast Guard Reservists have responded to 35 local or regional disasters, national emergencies and military contingencies ranging from catastrophic oil spills, flood relief, hurricanes, rescue/recovery operations and military deployments, totaling more than a quarter of a million work days.

The bedrock concept which supports our continued funding is that the Coast Guard needs a trained and ready Reserve force to respond to peacetime natural disasters or national security contingencies. Augmentation of the Active Component in daily operations is the way we stay trained and qualified, but is not the pre-eminent reason for our existence.

In a "View" last year, I said that the augmentation

achievements following integration with the Active Component graphically demonstrate the Reserve Component's relevancy to today's Coast Guard. The View went on to say that, "With few exceptions, field commanders openly state that they could not carry out their missions today without their reservists."

While the success of daily augmentation has become the showpiece for our program, surge operations for events other than emergencies have fallen short of expectations. Both Summerstock and OpSail 2000 did not meet programmed Reserve support last year, and for the past two years active duty personnel were temporarily assigned to meet Reserve augmentation shortfalls for Summerstock.

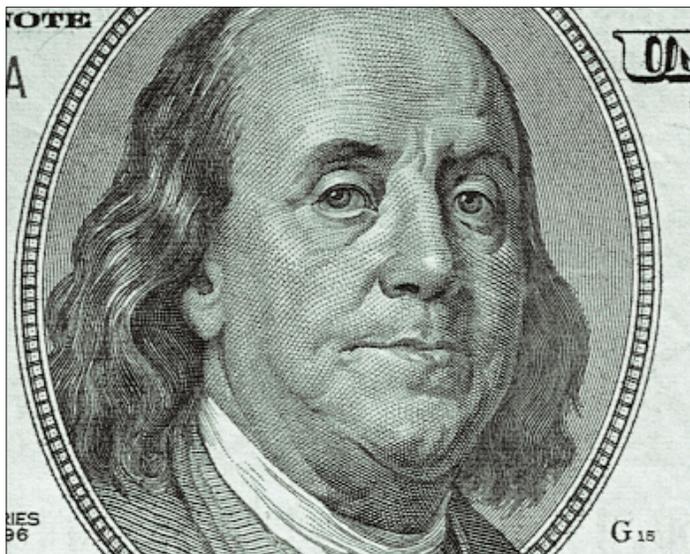
In August of this year, VADM John E. Shkor, Commander, Atlantic Area, chartered a Summerstock Action Team to make recommendations on ways to improve Reserve participation in this annual operation. The team has already identified some "indicators" to explain the shortfall in Reserve participation. Preliminary findings indicate that a strong economy may provide summer employment closer to home, and possibly at higher pay. Some anecdotal reports indicate that OpSail 2000 attracted reservists who would have otherwise participated in Summerstock. Other reports point to a reluctance on the part of the Active Duty commander to release reservists for several months due to pressing needs at the local command. And, lastly, the shortfall of the Active Duty onboard strength has created opportunities for reservists to enter long-term ADSW or Extended Active Duty contracts. These are reservists who might otherwise participate in Summerstock.

But the challenge remains — we must find new ways to meet existing needs for Reserve support. I am open to any and all ideas on how to meet this challenge. The Summerstock Action Team must report its findings in December and I hope to have a follow-on report in a future "View."

For now, it is important to restate that each of us who wear the uniform is subject to recall virtually anytime, anywhere. My greatest concern is that integration has gone so well that it has given us a false sense of what we are really paid to do. The Coast Guard Reserve's primary role will continue to be mobilization in support of a national security contingency. We, at all times, must assure that this surge capability is real and affords the Coast Guard that additional resource to adequately respond to emergencies, while continuing to meet other daily mission requirements. Our challenge has been, and continues to be, providing the Coast Guard with a trained, qualified, and responsive workforce. In every aspect we must be *Semper Paratus* — Always Ready.

**By Rear Admiral Carlton D. Moore, USCGR
Deputy for Mobilization & Reserve Component Affairs, LANTAREA**

RT BUDGET: FULL FUNDING FOR FY2001



WASHINGTON, D.C. – Both the United States House and Senate have passed, and the president has signed, legislation that fully funds the Coast Guard Reserve at its authorized strength of 8,000 Selected Reservists (SELRES) for fiscal year 2001. The Coast Guard received \$80.375 million to fund reserve programs, including recruiting, training and support.

This is a 12 percent increase over the \$72 million appropriated in Fiscal Year (FY) 2000. Last year's budget provided funding for only 7,600 SELRES although there were 8,000 onboard. The impact of the Reserve component being fully funded in FY01 will be felt by each and every Selected Reservist. The fiscal year began on Oct. 1, 2000 and runs through Sept. 30, 2001.

— By CAPT Carol Rivers, USCGR
Commandant (G-WTR-3)

SALUTING A HERO...



Photo by PA2 James Dillard, USCG PADET Houston

Coast Guard personnel salute SA William R. Flores at his gravesite in Benbrook, Texas on Sept. 16. Flores, awarded the Coast Guard Medal posthumously at the ceremony, helped save many of his shipmates' lives when the CGC Blackthorn collided with the Capricorn in St. Petersburg, Fla. on Jan. 28, 1980. Twenty-three Coast Guardsmen lost their lives, including Flores.

SPIRIT OF CHIEF AWARD



Photo by SCPO Gordon Yowell, CPOA

CPO Tony Lashley, USCGR, right, is presented with the Spirit of the Chief Award at graduation for Reserve Class X at the Chief Petty Officer Academy in New London, Conn. July 27. Presenting the award is SCPO Steve Boles of the Chief Petty Officers Association.

Cragin Receives Top USCG Civilian Award

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The U.S. Coast Guard presented **Charles L. Cragin**, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs, its top civilian award during a ceremony held at Coast Guard Headquarters Oct. 23.

ADM James M. Loy, Commandant of the United States Coast Guard, conferred the Distinguished Public Service Award on behalf of the Coast Guard in recognition of Cragin's dedicated service to the Nation and his support of the Coast Guard from September 1997 to October 2000.

The Coast Guard noted that as the senior civilian adviser to the Secretary of Defense for issues affecting the Reserve Components, Cragin strongly supported numerous and important Coast Guard programs by articulating their value to the Nation and to the Department of Defense. This involved initiatives that impacted port security units, the Sea Partners program, and expanded dental care for Coast Guard Reservists and their families.

In addition, the Coast Guard stressed that Cragin was a strong advocate for parity of the Coast Guard within the Department of Defense. He sponsored the Coast Guard's participation in several key working groups addressing national security issues and programs such as Weapons of Mass Destruction and Military Support to Civil Authorities.

Besides receiving the Coast Guard's Distinguished Public Service Award, Cragin, a retired Naval Reserve captain, was presented a certificate naming him an hon-



Photo by PAC Edward J. Kruska, USCGR

Charles L. Cragin stands next to "The Cragin Chronicles," a display of what "might have been" if he had joined the Coast Guard Reserve. The fictitious Reservist covers were designed by CG Reservist PA2 **Chris Rose** of the magazine staff and presented to Cragin at the Oct. 23 ceremony.

orary Coast Guard Reservist. Cragin's spouse, **Maureen Cragin**, a lieutenant commander in the Navy Reserve, also received an honorary Coast Guard Reservist certificate.

— By Jack O'Dell, G-IPA-3

Sea Partners Vision Conference 2000 charts future course

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — For the first time since the program began in 1994, 52 Coast Guard personnel involved in the Sea Partners program gathered together here to help plan a course for the program's future. At Vision Conference 2000, held Aug. 21-22, attendees looked for new ways to enhance the program's abilities to serve the goals of both the Department of Transportation and the Department of Defense.

The Sea Partners program was originally funded by the Department of Defense as part of the Civil-Military Cooperative Program. This program seeks to provide readiness training for reservists while at the same time providing valuable services to the civilian population through community programs. These programs included projects such as road construction, medical services, and environmental educational outreach. It has since developed into the only ongoing Coast Guard Marine Safety outreach program and employs the skills of Team Coast Guard.

MCPO Linda Reid, Sea Partners Program Director at Headquarters and a reservist, shared the results of a nationwide Sea Partners survey. Reservists **LCDR Armin Cate**, **LTJG Nathan Osborne**, **PS1 Si DiDomencino**, **MST1 Wayne Gamelin**, **PS3 Jack LaTorre** and Active Duty **LT Todd Offutt** all shared

success stories from their programs. **PSC Andy Aguilar** brought a diorama of a small port community that he built, and uses it to demonstrate how oil dumped into a storm sewer can impact the entire waterfront.

A key speaker at the program was **CDR Mike Farley**, Commanding Officer of MSO San Diego, who developed the initial Sea Partners proposal and served as its first Director. Farley traced the history of the program from its origin, and looked ahead to possibilities in its future, such as becoming an integral part of the Marine Transportation System initiative.

CDR Bill Whitson from D13 (m) presented a problem-solving model that could be incorporated in program planning. This model was used in the small group discussions.

The small group sessions tackled changes to the reporting format, member training and development, recognition, strategic planning and incorporation into the unit "M" business plan. An Internet-based web page or billboard was also discussed with **LT Julie Fritz** volunteering to lead its development.

Everyone at the conference departed with new resources to continue the Sea Partners Program success story.

— By MST1 Mark Razny, USCGR, MSO Chicago

MUNRO HALL FOYER DEDICATED



Photos by MCPO Eddie Lerma, USCG

The Munro Hall foyer at TRACEN Cape May was recently redesigned as an exhibit-like tribute to USCG Medal of Honor recipient Douglas Munro. The project, initiated by the Cape May chapter of the Chief Petty Officers Association, was dedicated Sept. 27.

RESERVE "PARODY?"



Photo by YNC Dianne LaCava, USCGR

Coast Guard Reservist Jeff Mihalik demonstrates the friendly nature of a blue and gold Macaw during last summer's OpSail 2000 in San Juan.

POTS, PANS AND PERSISTENCE...



Photo by PAC Edward J. Kruska, USCGR

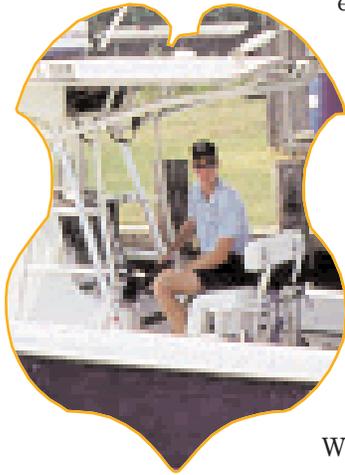
Coast Guard Reservist FS2 Bob Goetschkes is all smiles at Station Erie, Pa. despite piles of pots and pans. Goetschkes, who lives in Greensburg, Pa., performed his two weeks ADT at the station during June. A Seton Hall undergraduate, he hopes to complete his Master's Degree in Education by spring 2001 when perhaps he'll trade in those pans for pens?



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EVERY FALL SINCE 1994, *THE RESERVIST* HAS FEATURED THE DIVERSE CAREERS OF COAST GUARD RESERVISTS AS BOTH CITIZENS AND SAILORS. WE SALUTED YOUR CIVILIAN OCCUPATIONS IN 1994 AND 1998, FAMILIES IN 1995, EMPLOYERS IN 1996, VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN 1997 AND LAST YEAR WE FEATURED RESERVISTS IN EDUCATION. WE ALSO CONTINUE TO PUBLISH A "CITIZEN-SAILOR OF THE MONTH" EACH ISSUE, A TRADITION THAT BEGAN IN 1998. THIS YEAR, OUR THEME IS CITIZEN-SAILORS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT. HUNDREDS OF OUR COAST GUARD RESERVISTS WORK IN LAW ENFORCEMENT AT THE FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LEVELS. PERHAPS IVCS BENJAMIN KENNEY, A KANSAS CITY POLICEMAN, SAID IT BEST WHEN ASKED ABOUT THE COAST GUARD AND THOSE IN LAW ENFORCEMENT: "WHAT LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL DO ON A DAY-TO-DAY BASIS PROVIDES AN EXCELLENT SOURCE OF CROSS-TRAINING WITHIN THE *TEAM COAST GUARD* APPROACH. OVER THE YEARS, THE COAST GUARD HAS BENEFITED FROM HUNDREDS OF YEARS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE UTILIZED IN A COST-EFFECTIVE MANNER." THOUGH WE FEATURED ABOUT 30 IN THIS ISSUE, WE SALUTE ALL OF OUR FELLOW COAST GUARD RESERVISTS WHO WORK IN LAW ENFORCEMENT HELPING TO KEEP OUR STREETS SAFE AND OUR NATION STRONG.

Scott Bannon Alabama Marine Resource Division



Scott Bannon describes his employer, the Alabama Marine Resource Division, as the “state version of the Coast Guard.”
“Our primary role is to enforce state fishing laws but we also do SAR, boating safety, enforce environmental laws, anti-smuggling operations and enforce all other state laws,” said Bannon, a QM2 serving aboard *CGC Cobia* (WPB 87311) out of Mobile, Ala. “We are deputized with National Marine Fisheries, U.S. Fish and Wildlife and U.S. Customs.”

Wes Burns Lynnwood Police Department



Wes Burns is the senior property crimes detective for the Lynnwood Police Department, Wash., just north of Seattle. He coordinates investigations involving arson, fraud, and theft, and also serves as the department’s delegate on the Washington Council of Police and Sheriffs. Burns is scheduled to receive his master’s degree in Public Administration from Seattle University later this year. He is a PS1 and is a proud member of Port Security Unit 313’s Boat Division, in Tacoma, Wash.

Richard G. Blais Jr. Drug Enforcement Agency



Special Agent **Richard G. Blais Jr.** is a double agent — he works for the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) assigned to the Freeport Bahamas Resident Office and is an IVC with the Coast Guard Investigative Service, Southeast Region, Miami, Fla. He has been in law enforcement since 1973 and with DEA since 1984. A former instructor at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Brunswick, Ga., he has been assigned to the Boston DEA office, Cape Cod, Mass. Task Force and Miami Field Division of DEA. Currently he works closely with the Royal Bahamas Police Force (RBPF), Drug Enforcement Unit, investigating and interdicting drug smugglers attempting to smuggle contraband through the Bahamas destined for the United States. He participates in Operation Bahamas Turks and Caicos (OPBAT) which consists of patrolling the 700 islands via helicopter and vessels from various off-sites with the RBPF counterparts. He is also a boat captain with DEA enabling him to interface with both DEA and USCG missions. He received a DEA Award for Valor presented to him by U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno on May 12, 2000 at FBI Quantico, Va. He appeared on a new series on Fox-TV last summer called *Courage*.

Keith Caires and John Brockie California State University Police



PS3 Keith Caires, left, and **PS3 John Brockie**, right, are members of PSU 311 in San Pedro, Calif. They also work together in their civilian careers as California State University Police Corporals in Fullerton, Orange County. They patrol, do traffic enforcement, and respond to all calls for service. They claim to have “written the book” on community policing, since they serve 33,000 repeat customers who always hold them accountable for their actions.

Their department received an award from Mothers Against Drunk Driving for a 400 percent increase in DUI arrests last year. Brockie is currently assigned as a community services coordinator and Caires is working in a detective position.

Recently, they worked a joint operation with the U.S. Department of State to provide dignitary protection for the Dalai Lama who spoke on campus.



Jeffrey L. Engel Sumner Police Department

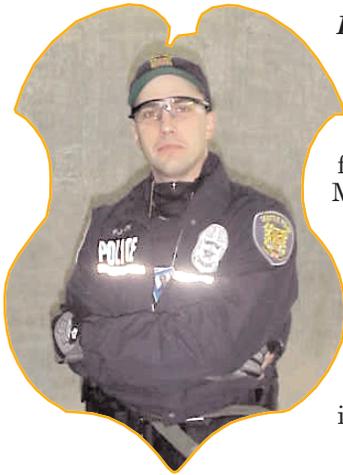
Jeff Engel is in his third year as police officer for the City of Sumner, Wash. His primary job is as a patrol officer responding to emergency calls, traffic enforcement, and community policing in this city of 9,000 residents. His other duties include mountain bicycle patrol, law enforcement explorer advisor, police guild president, and crime prevention officer.

Engel, who has 16 years active and reserve duty, was commissioned a Coast Guard Reserve officer last year. ENS Engel's duties at Group Seattle include operations watchstander and patrol commander for any of the maritime events in the Puget Sound area.



P.J. Fox

Seattle Police Department



P.J. Fox has been a police officer for the City of Seattle for over four years. His primary job is as a patrol officer specializing in narcotics enforcement, night bicycle patrol, car prowler task force, crisis negotiations, and Emergency Medical Technician duties. Fox, who has six years active and reserve duty in the Navy and Coast Guard, was commissioned after completing Reserve Officer Candidate Indoctrination last year. ENS Fox's duties at Group Seattle include operations watchstander and patrol commander for any of the maritime events in the Puget Sound area.

Christy Gansen Isle of Palms Police Department

Christy Gansen has been a police officer for three years, starting with the North Charleston, S.C. Police in 1997. Graduating second in her class from the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy, she returned to North Charleston assigned to the patrol division and also worked several undercover vice operations. She is now a patrol officer with the Isle of Palms, S.C. Police Department, having started with them early this year. The department uses her Coast Guard boating skills to operate their Marine Patrol around the island. From the mean streets to the beach, all in the same year!

QM3 Gansen began her career in the Coast Guard Reserve at Station Georgetown, S.C. in September 1994. Since November 1998, she has been with the PSU TRADDET at Camp Lejeune, N.C. She deployed for exercises on Sullivan's Island, S.C. and participated in Operation Linked Seas in Portugal in May 2000.

Gansen is well respected by her shipmates for her dedication and "can do" attitude as well as her sense of humor.



William Gillis Gaston County Police Department

William Gillis' life-long goal was to become a soldier and police officer, and he has accomplished both. He has been an officer for over 12 years with the Gaston County Police Department in North Carolina and served in the U.S. Marine Corps for seven years before joining the Coast Guard Reserve in 1999. He now serves as a PS1 with PSU 305 at Fort Eustis, Va.

He has served in several capacities with the Gaston County Police Department including the breaking and entering task force, canine officer, and patrolman. He was promoted to Sergeant in 1998. One of the jobs he has dedicated a lot of his time toward has been the Emergency Response Team (ERT). Gillis has been with the team since its inception in 1989, one of nine original members. Gillis and his team have served the citizens in over 100 situations that require special training, skills and knowledge.

In February 1991, the ERT was called to a neighborhood where shots had been fired. In one yard lay a 9-year-old girl and her father, both shot to death. Two neighbors who had tried to help were also shot but only injured. The ERT started to negotiate with the barricaded subject in the house across the street. The subject shot at a television helicopter and also shot at the police on scene. Gillis was kneeling behind a car and when the subject shot at him, a bullet went through the bumper into the wheel and shattered. Several parts of the bullet fragmented, hitting Gillis in the face and hand. At that moment he did not realize exactly what had happened but was soon whisked away to the hospital for medical attention. The subject finally came out of the house, was arrested and now sits on death row for murder.

Gerald A. Griner Crest Hill Police Department

Gerald Griner's law enforcement career can be traced back to the late 1970s when he was an Army Military Policeman stationed in Germany. In the early 1980s, he was a Security Communications Supervisor for a large retail grocery chain in Chicago, and also a paid part-time Auxiliary Police Officer for the Village of Bensenville, Ill. In 1984, he was hired by the Illinois Department of Central Management Services (CMS) Police, based in Chicago. Their mission was to provide police services for the newly built State of Illinois Center (now renamed the James R. Thompson Center [JRTC]). With its nearly 4000 employees and approximately 30,000 persons using the state services there, as well as the Chicago Transit Authority subway and elevated train stations incorporated into the building, the JRTC was a little city in itself located in downtown Chicago. The JRTC was featured in the climactic scenes of the movie *Running Scared* filmed in late 1984.

"My duties during my 10 years with the CMS Police included patrolman, firearms instructor, armorer, rifleman, and on occasion, acting shift commander," said Griner.

In 1994 Griner went to work for the Crest Hill Police Department, near Joliet, Ill., where he currently serves.

"My current duties consist of patrolman, firearms instructor, armorer, rifleman, and juvenile officer, in a small city with a population of 13,200," said Griner. "Crest Hill is a small city with occasional big-city problems."

In 1986, he enlisted in the Coast Guard Reserve as a PS2. He is currently a PSC assigned to the MSO Chicago Port Operations Department.

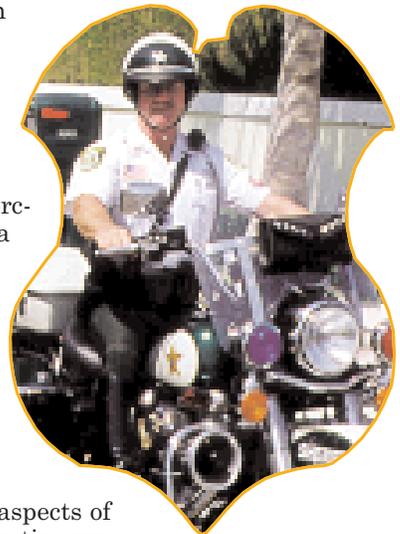


Robert W. Gleichauf Palm Beach County Sheriff's Department

Robert Gleichauf is a Deputy Sheriff for the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Department in Palm Beach County, Fla.

He is presently assigned to the Motor Traffic Unit and his tasks consist of enforcing the Florida traffic laws, investigating traffic crashes and traffic homicides.

During his 27 years in Palm Beach, he has worked in all aspects of the criminal justice system. With a bachelor's degree from the University of Central Florida under his belt, he is presently working on a master's degree at Troy State University. He is also on the faculty at Palm Beach Community College as an adjunct professor, teaching criminal justice. Gleichauf, a PS1 in the Reserve, has been a member since 1978. He is presently assigned to MSO Miami where he serves as a pollution investigator.



James Gribble Deputy Sheriff, Washington County, Minn

As Deputy Sheriff in Washington County, *James Gribble* is also a member of the Washington County Water Recovery Unit. On April 26, 2000, a local television station was staging a boating accident on a private lake for boating safety week in May, but it quickly turned into a real rescue!

A stunt man was to drive one boat toward an anchored boat and jump from the moving boat prior to impact, simulating a real boat accident. The Water, Parks, and Trails Unit and Water Recovery Units were on scene, ready to be deployed if needed.

The stunt man dove from the boat before impact, as planned, but the boat missed the anchored boat and swerved out of control. The boat circled around heading straight for the stunt man who was in the water. The four-man Water Recovery Unit, in a Zodiac driven by Gribble, sped toward the stunt man and drove the Zodiac between the out-of-control boat and the stunt driver, grabbing him and pulling him to safety. Due to their quick response, the Water Recovery personnel saved the stunt driver from being struck by the boat. The television station taped the incident which was then aired on local television.

Gribble, a BM2, has been in the Coast Guard Reserve since 1987 and is stationed out of Fort Snelling, Minn. on *CGC Wyaconda*. He joined the Coast Guard because he loves to help people in need and credits the Coast Guard for his knowledge of boats and the water.



Ray L. Hollen West Virginia State Police

An 11-year veteran with the West Virginia State Police,

Ray L. Hollen is currently a sergeant assigned as a detachment commander in Elizabeth, W.Va. His duties include all types of criminal investigation and traffic enforcement, management, building administrator, supervision of troopers and civilian employees. He also coordinates media relations, a multi-agency marijuana eradication program and safe school programs. He is a member of the 911 board and the Local Emergency Planning Committee.

"I enjoy being in law enforcement and believe that it is one of the most rewarding careers," said Hollen, a CWO2 currently assigned to MSO Huntington, W.Va. as a marine casualty investigator and inspector. He has been in the Coast Guard Reserve for 17 years.



John Kapsimalis New Jersey Dept. of Corrections

For the last 24 years, **John Kapsimalis** has been employed by the N.J.

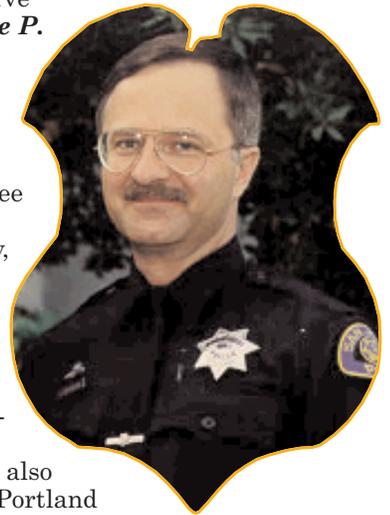
Department of Corrections. He has been assigned to a state prison, youth correctional facilities, reception facilities and state prison hospital. He is presently assigned to Riverfront State Prison in Camden, N.J. serving in the capacity of captain. The prison has an inmate population of approximately 1,200 and is located on the shore of the Delaware River, directly across from Philadelphia. Kapsimalis' duties include writing post orders, addressing contractual grievances, issuing staff disciplinary actions, overseeing inmate and staff investigations and, in the absence of the Chief, he assumes the position of Director of Custody Operations.

One of the highlights of his career occurred when he represented the New Jersey Department of Corrections as a member of an International Criminal Justice Delegation that toured components of the criminal justice system in the Peoples Republic of China. The research he gathered was used in his Master's thesis, "*Social Control in the P.R.C.; An Examination of Adult Facilities of Incarceration.*" For the last five years, MST1 Kapsimalis has drilled at the Atlantic Strike Team at Fort Dix, N.J.



George P. Ingraham San Jose Police Department

The Coast Guard's Reserve Force Master Chief, **George P. Ingraham**, is a former policeman who served 29 years until his retirement in 1998 from the San Jose, Calif. Police Department. Prior to that, he served three years as a Deputy Sheriff with the San Mateo County, Calif. Sheriff's office. His police work ranged from patrol and training, personnel and investigations, to just POBC (Plain Ole Beat Cop). Ingraham's predecessor, **MCPO Bill Phillips**, USCGR (Ret.), is also a police detective with the Portland Police Bureau in Oregon.



Patrick Lemagie Pierce County Sheriff's Department

Patrick Lemagie was recently awarded a Lifesaving Medal by the Pierce County Sheriff's Department in Washington state. Lemagie is a Sergeant with the Sheriff's Department when not working as a PS1 with the Coast Guard's 13th District Law Enforcement Branch in Seattle.

Lemagie was on patrol late in the morning of Feb. 14, 1998, when he responded to a house fire in the Parkland Area of Tacoma, Wash. The home was totally engulfed when he arrived on scene. Neighbors indicated that the occupant, who was apparently suicidal and had set the fire, was still inside trying to burn up with the house. After being unable to penetrate the heavy black smoke at the front door, Lemagie rushed to the rear of the house where he saw the female resident sitting on the floor with smoke billowing around her and out the windows. After discovering that she would not respond to verbal commands, Lemagie entered the room by reaching through a broken window to open the door and then crawled under the heavy smoke to reach her. Lemagie carried the unresponsive female over his shoulder out of the house to other responding emergency personnel. He then returned and reentered the residence to check for other potential victims until he was forced out by heavy smoke.

"The whole neighborhood saw him carry her out to the driveway and I couldn't have been any prouder," said Lemagie's coworker, Deputy Marsha Stril. "Sgt. Lemagie is a true role model for all of us."



Brendan Kerin Tukwila Police Department

Thanks to a dedicated Coast Guard Reservist, more than 4,000 students in Washington State have been warned of the dangers of drugs and gang violence. Since 1987, **IVC Brendan Kerin** has taught a Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program in 15 different schools to students in fourth grade through high school and is currently teaching the curriculum to four sixth grade classes at Foothills Elementary School in Buckley, Wash. The D.A.R.E. program involves a 17-week curriculum that informs kids about alternatives and resistance to drugs and gang activities.

In the civilian world, Kerin is a police officer in Tukwila, Wash. He heard about the D.A.R.E. program from a video presented by the Los Angeles Police Department 13 years ago.

"I saw the video, got excited about it, and wanted to do it," said Kerin.

He was one of the first 30 officers trained as D.A.R.E. instructors in the state of Washington and is currently one of the few Coast Guard members teaching the program. While most D.A.R.E. instructors are paid for their time, Kerin does it on a voluntary



basis, without compensation.

"When I first saw the D.A.R.E. program, I fell in love with it," said Kerin. "I haven't been burned out yet. What we do is provide tools for them for the future so they can make decisions based on fact instead of relying on what their peers might say."

According to Kerin, the D.A.R.E. Program hasn't changed a lot in its 15 years of service, mainly because it continues to show an effect. The average age of drug users is going up, indicating that the younger children who are getting the education are starting to avoid drugs.

"That shows you that anti-drug education is working," said Kerin. "The kids are getting the message."

As a reservist, Kerin is an IVC attached to the Coast Guard Investigative Services Northwest office, where he assists in long-term drug enforcement operations. He has participated in over 100 drug-related arrests and hundreds of DWI arrests through his law enforcement career.

"I'm very goal oriented," said Kerin. "I relay a lot of that to the kids in class to reaffirm their hope for the future."

— By PA2 Jamie Bigelow, USCG

Mel Lowery Virginia State Police

During his 27-year career as a Virginia State Trooper, **Mel Lowery**

has been a canine handler with "Smokey," his assigned German Shepherd, and worked in the safety division where he supervised the garages that administer Virginia's motor vehicle inspection program. In 1990, he

was promoted to sergeant and assists in supervising the 21 troopers

assigned to five rural counties in Virginia's Northern Neck (a peninsula bordered by the Potomac and Rappahannock Rivers and the Chesapeake Bay). He is also a squad leader on the Department's Tactical Field Force (riot platoon).

Lowery is currently an MK1 and serves with PSU 305 at Fort Eustis, Va. The 18-year reservist has participated in three overseas deployments: Turkey, Panama and Egypt.



Tommy Long Deputy United States Marshal

Tommy Long is a Supervisory Deputy United States Marshal with the United States Marshals Service in Savannah, Ga. Long has 22 years of law enforcement experience: over seven as a deputy sheriff and over 14 as a Deputy U.S. Marshal.

As a member of the nation's oldest law enforcement agency, Long performs the various duties incumbent on the U.S. Marshals Service which include prisoner transport and court production, judicial and witness protection, court security, and fugitive apprehension, only a few of the Marshals' many tasks. He was recently promoted and now supervises the daily operations of the main district office in Savannah.

Prior to his promotion, he was the Deputy-In-Charge of the South Georgia Fugitive Squad, a multi-agency state, local, federal fugitive task force. The squad specializes in the apprehension of violent and drug felon fugitives and cold fugitive cases which are submitted to the squad for assistance.

Long is a Chief Investigator (IVC) and works as a Reserve Special Agent for Coast Guard Investigative Service, Southeast Region, Miami, Fla. As both a CGIS Special Agent and a Deputy U.S. Marshal, Long has been able to create a mutually beneficial relationship between both agencies and with the local commands in his area of responsibility. In his 17 years in the Coast Guard Reserve, Long cites the three proudest events in his career as the day he became a CGIS Special Agent, the day he was advanced to chief petty officer and Sept. 2, 1999, the day he became a proud graduate in Reserve Class VII of the Chief Petty Officers Academy.



Joseph Neddill Town of Groton Police

After *Joseph Neddill* joined the Town of Groton, Conn. police in 1984, he served as a patrol officer for 11 years. In 1995, he was promoted to Youth Officer and as such, his main job is child abuse investigations. He also teaches D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) to two Navy elementary grade schools and GREAT (Gang Resistance Education and Training) in the middle school. During the summer, he is assigned to the Marine Division as a boat operator covering the Mystic and Groton area waters. As a PS1, he is assigned to Station New London, Conn.



Matthew M. Rouse Florida Department of Transportation

Matthew M. Rouse became interested in law enforcement while a seaman on his first cutter, *CGC Vigorous* in Cape May, N.J. Now, he's a Florida State Trooper in Jacksonville, Fla.

"I love the challenge of being prepared for anything and the excitement of using technology to detect illegal activity is what drew me to law enforcement," said Rouse. "I also like to be trusted and depended on and I enjoy when people feel they can look to me for help and depend on me to protect them from the effects of illegal activity. The badge is not a power trip for me but rather a symbol of public trust."

On the water when serving as a PS3 at MSO Jacksonville or on the highways of Florida, the satisfaction is the same for Rouse.

"I would recommend a career in law enforcement to anyone who thinks they are cut out for it, both military and civilian alike," said Rouse.

Mark Razny Forest Preserve Districts Will County, Illinois

For many reservists who work in law enforcement, it's a pretty clear cut task explaining what they do — most of them work for either the state police, a local police department or a sheriff's office.

Mark Razny, an MST1 at MSO Chicago, works for one of the exceptions to the rule as he is employed as a police officer for the Forest Preserve District of Will County, Ill. Forest Preserve Districts are an independent county level unit of government found only in Illinois that operate parks and nature preserves throughout the county. The police department is the primary public law enforcement and public safety agency for all the District owned or managed facilities. In Will County, that includes boating and fishing lakes, horse trails, bike trails, sledding hills, picnic groves, historical sites, and bird sanctuaries.

"The best description of what we do is if you combined the jobs of a deputy sheriff and a state conservation police officer it would be pretty close," said Razny. "We routinely are involved in conservation-type activities such as catching poachers and 'traditional' law enforcement such as traffic tickets, robberies, domestics and drug-related offenses. Internet crime has also reached into the Preserves with the recent arrest of an adult male who solicited a teenage girl for an evening in the woods."

They are dispatched by the sheriff's office and both agencies routinely assist each other on incidents. Periodically, they also explain to motorists that they are not "just a ranger" and they really can give a ticket outside the park, since they have jurisdiction throughout the county and not just in the Preserves.

Razny is also one of three "surviving" part-time police officers for the Village of Mokena, Ill. He started there in 1990 when part-time officers were a significant part of the force in a farm town of less than 5,000 people. When the population suddenly jumped, the hiring of part-time officers ended, and the department now operates with 24 full-time members. The three remaining part-timers fill in as an extra zone car or handle major events.

"Since Mokena is also in Will County I have arrested some individuals at both jobs on different occasions," said Razny. "It's often interesting since some offenders can't understand how I know them, when it's the first time they have been arrested by a particular agency. The other common question is 'Didn't you have a brown uniform before?'"

Mark R. Trammell Florida Highway Patrol

Erin Trammell calls her father the "Double Captain." *CAPT Mark R. Trammell*, USCGR, a former PS2, is assigned to the 8th District Operations Division. But he's also Capt. Trammell of the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP). With the FHP, he is assigned to Headquarters in Tallahassee as the manager of the Operational Support Section. This section is responsible for direction and oversight of the Auxiliary/Reserve Program (405 volunteer law enforcement officers), Highway Drug Interdiction Program, Traffic Homicide Investigation Program and Communication Center Duty Officers.

In addition to these duties, he's the FHP's primary emergency manager for the Florida Emergency Operations Center. There he's responsible for coordinating and monitoring deployment of FHP personnel and assets during disasters or other emergencies. In his 27 years with the FHP, Trammell has served in many locations across Florida as a trooper, field supervisor, academy staff instructor, bureau of investigations supervisor and staff inspector.

"I am truly blessed to have the complete support of my agency as a Coast Guard Reservist," said Trammell. "Not many people can say that they have had two simultaneous careers that they love and really make a difference in peoples lives every day."



David A. Sanabria Bellevue Police Department



Dave Sanabria is in his third year as a police officer for Bellevue, Wash., a city of 115,000 residents. His primary job is as a patrol officer responding to emergency calls, proactive narcotics enforcement, traffic enforcement, and community policing. Sanabria has eight years active and reserve duty, and was commissioned after completing the Minority Officer Recruiting Effort (M.O.R.E.) program and Officer Candidate School. He is currently a lieutenant at Group Seattle where he is a Reserve operations officer and marine patrol coordinator for maritime events in the Puget Sound area.

Linda Saunders Forensic Accounting Consultant

Ever wonder about that employee or business partner who cooks the books? What about the divorce where one spouse can't find the assets that are being hidden for the next sweetheart on the horizon? And what about grandma who has been befriended by a neighbor who is getting a little too close to her financial affairs? **Linda Saunders** is a forensic accountant who investigates fraud. She uses her skills as a former federal criminal investigator with the Internal Revenue Service and her talents as a Certified Fraud Examiner and Certified Public Accountant to work in law enforcement as a private consultant.

Saunders, who lives in Bainbridge Island, Wash., follows the money trails for both civil and criminal litigation. Her "boss" on assignments might be an attorney representing a "wronged" client, or an entity such as a private company or a public service organization who feel that the "numbers" just don't add up.

A lieutenant commander and 19-year reservist, she lateralled from SK to IV before receiving her commission in 1985. She currently works for the 13th District's law enforcement division (ole).

Benjamin Wetherill II U.S. Border Patrol

Benjamin Wetherill II has worked for the United States Border Patrol since September 1988. Currently he is a senior patrol agent assigned to the El Cajon Border Patrol Station in El Cajon, Calif. The station is located in the San Diego Border Patrol Sector which is responsible for patrolling the international border and detecting illegal immigrants already in the United States in San Diego County and the southern part of Riverside County in California. Wetherill has been at his current assignment for three years but began his career assigned to the Yuma Border Patrol Station in Yuma, Ariz.

"As a Border Patrol Agent I have had the opportunity to be involved in a number of exciting activities," said Wetherill. "Assigned to Yuma, I drove across the desert tracking the footprints of illegal immigrants. As a bike patrol agent, I chased suspects at full speed through parking lots weaving in between cars and grocery carts on a mountain bike. Assigned to the San Diego Sector Horse Patrol, I have raced down dirt roads in the middle of the night on horseback responding to requests for help from fellow agents. I have also shared my experiences with trainee agents while I instructed law at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Georgia. In East San Diego County I spend a lot of time hiking on mountain trails in pursuit of suspects."

In San Diego, Wetherill says the Coast Guard and the Border Patrol have a good relationship. Coast Guard boat crews and intelligence officers work along side Border Patrol boat patrol agents and intelligence agents enforcing immigration and narcotics laws. Many Border Patrol agents in the San Diego Sector are Coast Guard Reservists serving in units such as PSU 311, MSO San Diego and MSO LA/LB.

"I have been blessed to have supervisors who support my Reserve commitment," said Wetherill, a lieutenant in the Coast Guard Reserve.

James Ullian and Joe Pennypacker Virginia Beach Police Department



When **CDR James Ullian** retired from the Coast Guard Reserve in 1998 after more than 28 years service, he wanted to combine his Coast Guard-related skills with those he's obtained as a minister. He did just that and now serves as a volunteer police chaplain. Oceanfront walking beats, mountain bike patrols, precinct ride-alongs, plus call-outs for response to emergencies with officers and citizens of the community and counseling are all a part of the police chaplain duties. In addition, Ullian serves as a volunteer chaplain with the Norfolk Field Office of the United States Secret Service where he has provided counseling and support to the office and agents. **Joe Pennypacker** was hired in August 1987 by the VBPD and has worked street patrol, the mounted patrol unit, SWAT team and served as firearms instructor. When he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant, he returned to street patrol supervising a squad of patrol officers. A lieutenant junior grade in the Reserve, he is a SAR Coordinator at Group Hampton



Roads, Portsmouth, Va.

Jeffrey Williams City of Forest Grove Police Department

For over five years, **Jeffrey Williams** served as a police officer for the City of Forest Grove, Ore. Police Department. Now, he is beginning a new assignment in the department's investigations division. Forest Grove is a city of about 17,000 located 25 miles west of Portland.

"Working for a smaller department has allowed me to have many collateral duties," said Williams. "In addition to regular investigative and patrol duties, I am a defensive tactics instructor, a HAZMAT awareness instructor and a field training officer. Prior to my current assignment, I also served as a property/evidence officer."

Williams is lieutenant junior grade in the Reserve program and serves at MSO Portland, Ore. as a Port Operations Reserve Coordinator. A reservist since 1992, he was commissioned in 1998.

Reservists at FLETC

The Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) located at Glynco, Ga. trains new recruits from over 70 federal agencies, including Coast Guard Intelligence Special Agents, in several basic police and criminal investigative training programs. They also conduct advanced law enforcement training to state and local law enforcement officers from all over the U.S. as well as to foreign law enforcement officers. FLETC also has two other training sites at Artesia, N.M. and a temporary site at Charleston, S.C.

Of the over 1,800 employed at FLETC, many are in the Guard and Reserve components, including the Coast Guard Reserve. CG Reservist **LCDR Roy Owens** is a Special Agent with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service detailed to FLETC for four years as an instructor. He works in the Enforcement Operations Division where he teaches two programs, one to Criminal Investigators and the other to uniformed officers from U.S. Land Management and Natural Resource/Fish and Wildlife Agencies, such as National Park Rangers, Forest Rangers and Officers from the Fish and Wildlife Service. In July 1999, Owens earned two Gold Medals at the World Police and Fire Games in Stockholm, Sweden. Owens is attached to MSO Jacksonville, Fla.

YN1 Gail Owens has worked at FLETC for over five years. She is currently within the Behavioral Science Division. A CG Reservist since 1986, she drills at Station Brunswick, Ga. Owens is proud of the fact that FLETC puts thousands of people through training.

MKC Philip Benjamin is a contract compliance specialist who inspects the work of service contractors at FLETC. He drills at Station Brunswick, Ga.

BM1 Ron Peifer retired in 1988 from the Coast Guard after 20 years and says his USCG training "got him here." For the last four years, he has been a Law Enforcement Training Supervisor for the Marine Training Branch of the Driver and Marine Division. In other words, he runs the boat school. His division wrote several courses of instruction for the USCG, including TACLETs.

BM1 Cole Maxwell works for BM1 Ron Peifer in the Marine Training Branch as an instructor, teaching navigation and boat operations. He has been with FLETC for three years and drills at Station Brunswick, Ga.

The FLETC Web site is: www.ustreas.gov/fletc/

Law Enforcement Short Takes

MCPO Wayne North, PS Force Manager, is Assistant Special Agent in Charge for the Department of Agriculture, Office of Inspector General. • **Sergio Villaverde** is an attorney in New York City, but prior to that, served with New York City Emergency Medical Service and as a New York City Police Officer. • **Jack La Torre** is also a member of the NYPD and has a great deal of experience in the area of "community policing." As a member of the Sea Partners program, MST3 LaTorre says it's a way for the public to learn about the NYPD as well as the Coast Guard. • **Jamie Bradshaw** is a "double lieutenant!" He's a police lieutenant with the Maryland Natural Resources Police and also a lieutenant in the Coast Guard Reserve attached to Group Eastern Shore, Va. • **Stephen Turner** currently works Gate Security for the Round Hill Community Corp. in Dartmouth, Mass. The 71-year-old retired reservist served 11 years in the First District's Office of Intelligence and Law Enforcement prior to his retirement from the Reserve as a QM1. • **BM3 Jody Glade** is a detective for the Miami Beach Police in Florida. • **LCDR Kevin Brown**, currently serving on active duty at CGHQ's Office of Reserve Affairs, is a retired Fairfax County, Va. Police Officer. • The last four national winners of the Reserve Enlisted Person of the Year work in law enforcement or closely-related fields. They include 1996 winner **BM1 Paul J. Kohl**, Bergen County, N.J. Police Department; 1997 REPOY **BMC Tim Sullivan**, Security Coordinator for the Bellevue, Wash. School District; **PS2 Carol Mullins**, 1998 REPOY, active in the Hillsborough County, Fla. Child Protective Services and Emergency Response Actions; and the 1999 recipient, **PS2 Jim Cullen**, a police sergeant in Morristown, N.J. • Three Coast Guard Reservists who work in law enforcement but also in education were featured in last year's Citizen-Sailors in Education issue (September/October 1999 *Reservist*). They are **LTJG Lisa S. Piculell**, a School Resource Officer for the Robinswood High School in Bellevue, Wash.; **CDR Joseph A. Keglovits**, an instructor for the Pennsylvania Regional Community Policing Institute in Allentown, Pa.; and **LT Jim Johnson**, a police detective in Worcester, Mass. • Seven Coast Guard Reservists in law enforcement were saluted as Citizen-Sailors of the Month in the May 1999 *Reservist*, pages 10-11 (www.uscg.mil/reserve). • **National Police Week** is held each year in May. **The National Law Enforcement Officers Fund and Memorial** is located in Washington, D.C. See their Web site at: www.nleomf.com • In the very first Citizen-Sailor issue in September 1994, a list showing CG Ready Reservist occupations was published. Police and firefighters far outnumbered any other occupation (1,784), except for students (2,407). • **MK1 Debbie Altman** was the first female motorcycle police officer for the Arlington County, Va. Police Department. Featured in *The Washington Post* in July 1999, breast cancer forced her early retirement from both the police department and Coast Guard Reserve. The Arlington County Police raised funds to send Altman and her Girl Scout Troop to Disney World in July 1999. Altman told *The Reservist* recently that she's still retired and fighting the cancer that metastasized to bone and lungs in 1999. Her medication controls pain so she can go boating occasionally and serve as the "coxswain" of their family's 17-foot Boston Whaler which her family uses in Tampa Bay, Fla. She's also serving as an Elder for her local church. "We have a celebration here in Dade City called Church Street Christmas, and I'm having a wonderful time helping plan and participate in that," said Altman. "I miss everyone at PSU 305 and all my friends from the Coast Guard, and really appreciate all the well-wishes and prayers." Altman's husband, DuWayne, is a civilian with the Coast Guard. Altman's mailing address is: 13812 13th Street, Dade City, FL 33525; E-mail: daltman40@aol.com

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Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald

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By PA3 Mike Lucci, USCG



The lights of the big ship were the first thing missed. Maybe the generators were down or maybe the ship just wasn't visible through the pounding seas and gale-force winds. But a glance at the radar confirmed the worst fears — the *Edmund Fitzgerald* was gone!

The day before, Nov. 9, 1975, taconite pellets were loaded at 2 p.m. from the pier at Superior, Wis. Fully loaded, the 729-foot ore carrier, the largest on the Great Lakes when christened June 7, 1958, at River Rouge, Mich., weighed in at close to 40,000 tons.

After slipping the mooring, CAPT Ernest McSorley, a 40-year veteran of the Great Lakes, brought the *Fitzgerald* up to full speed, 16 knots, to begin what would be his last voyage.

In the early morning of Nov. 10, the *Fitzgerald* met up with the *SS Arthur M. Anderson*, another ore carrier, which like "*The Big Fitz*," was heading south to Lake Huron. A short time later, both ships left normal shipping lanes for the lee of the Canadian shore, an accepted practice among Great Lakes mariners to avoid the heavy seas of the fall and winter storms.

At 3:30 p.m., McSorley radioed to the *Anderson*, now 15 miles astern of the faster *Fitzgerald*, that a rail was down, a couple of vents had been lost and the ship had developed a list. The *Fitzgerald* then reduced speed to allow the *Anderson* to catch up. Half an hour later, the

Fitzgerald called again, requesting navigational assistance. She had lost radar and was running near-blind in a worsening storm.

At 6 p.m., in a radio conversation with the Swedish vessel *Avafors*, the master of the *Fitzgerald* told of taking heavy seas over the deck in one of the worst seas he had ever encountered. By now the storm's intensity had heightened, throwing 16-foot waves and 50-knot winds against the listing ship.

When asked about the problems at 7 p.m., the *Fitzgerald* replied in what would become the last transmission: "We are holding our own."

Fifteen minutes later, the lights of the *Fitzgerald* disappeared. When the *Anderson's* radar was checked five minutes later, three distinct targets appeared, none of which was the *Fitzgerald*.

At 8:30 p.m., after trying to raise the *Fitzgerald* on radio, and after conferring with other ships in the area that might have sighted it, CAPT Cooper of the *Anderson* notified the Coast Guard station at Sault Ste. Marie.

In the next few hours, aircraft from Air Station Traverse City, along with a Canadian Coast Guard plane, were underway searching for survivors. Early the next morning, the *CGC Naugatuck* and *CGC Woodrush* and a 40-foot patrol boat from Base Sault Ste. Marie, had joined in the search for the ill-fated ore carrier. On the night of Nov. 13, searching was suspended because of the remote chances of anyone surviving even a few hours

in the freezing water.

Despite the intensity of the search, no survivors were found, nor were bodies recovered. One lifeboat and one-half of another, two inflated life rafts, and 21 life jackets were all that could be found of the *Fitzgerald*. Of the 29 men lost, 14 were from Ohio, eight from Wisconsin, two each from Florida and Minnesota and one each from Michigan, California and Pennsylvania.

In the latter part of May 1976, when the winter seas had subsided, a visual inspection of the *Fitzgerald* was made using an unmanned, underwater vehicle on loan from the Navy. It was found in Canadian waters 17 miles northwest of Whitefish Point, Mich. The CURV III, as the vessel was known, was controlled from *Woodrush*. After eight days of inspection, in which more than 900 color slides and 43,000 feet of video were taken, the *Fitzgerald* was known to be in two sections, each 300 feet long, 556-feet below Lake Superior's surface.

Despite many explorers, including Jacques Cousteau, attempting to unlock the mysteries of that stormy November night, what actually caused the disaster is still a mystery. The Coast Guard Board of Investigation theorized the *Fitzgerald* went down after mass flooding occurred in a forward hold. Possibly, the ship drove into a wall of water and never recovered, breaking up as the bow crashed into the lake bottom.

One action that the Coast Guard took after the disaster was to remeasure the depth of the lake bottom in the area of the Caribou Island shoal (northwest of the ship's final resting place). At the time, navigational charts were based on measurements taken in 1919. What the new measurement revealed was the rocky shoal was closer to the water's surface than seamen had thought.

Ninth District CG Reservists PSC Dennis Dombkowski and MST2 Russ Beaty, both who worked with Sea Partners, have been affected by the *Fitzgerald* in a different sort of way.

"After one of the recent dives, we looked at the photos and noticed lots of debris, like plastic, which had gathered around the ship's port stern," said Beaty. "When we talked to groups, we often showed photos from the *Fitzgerald* and how dumping had affected even it. But out of respect, we stopped showing them."

The Great Lakes Shipwreck Historical Society (GLSHS) has conducted three underwater expeditions to the wreck in 1989, 1994 and 1995. On July 4, 1995, at the request of family members surviving the crew, the *Fitzgerald's* 200-pound bronze bell was raised in a dive sponsored by the GLSHS, *National Geographic*, Canadian Navy, Sony Corp., and Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. The bell was cleaned by the Center for Maritime and Underwater Resource Management of Michigan State University. It was delivered and placed at the GLSHS museum at Whitefish Point, a gift from the people of Ontario to Michigan and the families of *Fitzgerald's* crew. Divers placed a replica bell back on the *Fitzgerald's* pilothouse in the same location as the original with the 29 crew members' names enscribed as a lasting monument.

"We pray that this bell that goes down on this ship will be a sign to everyone to remember the dignity of this place and keep it a place of gentle solitude," said the Rev. D.J. McMillan.

That dive may have been the final one — *Fitzgerald* family members have requested that the Canadian Parliament declare the final resting place of the *Fitzgerald* a gravesite. That would make it illegal for other divers to disturb the site. It would remain the men's watery tomb.

The *Edmund Fitzgerald*, named for a former chairman of Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company, was the third Great Lakes freighter to be claimed by the fierce November gales since 1958. The *SS Daniel J. Morrell* sank in Lake Huron on Nov. 17, 1966, with a loss of 32 out of 33 crewmen. The *SS Carl D. Bradley* went down in Lake Michigan on Nov. 18, 1958 with the loss of 31 of the 33-man crew. Over 6,000 ships have been lost on the Great Lakes in the last four centuries.

For more information and photos, see GLSHS' Web site at: www.shipwreckmuseum.com

A NIGHT TO REMEMBER...

For some Coast Guardsmen, the news of the sinking of the *Edmund Fitzgerald* is comparable to other major events — they remember exactly what they were doing and where they were when they heard the news.

CWO3 Dale Hoornstra of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., recalls that a storm was predicted but not too many people believed it. As an employee of Michigan Bell, he recalls taking tree limbs off phone cables all around town when the storm hit and seeing water coming over the side of the Soo locks and flowing down the street.

"I was living in a trailer and went to spend the night with my parents as trailer roofs were coming off and one trailer even blew over," said Hoornstra.

The next morning when he went into work, a fellow employee told him he overheard the Coast Guard talking about a ship that had gone down, and that he was the first one to report it to the press.

Retired Coast Guard CAPT Jim Hobaugh was skipper of the *CGC Woodrush* in 1975.

"We couldn't believe that a ship that big would disappear," said Hobaugh. "It was a Monday night at around 7 p.m. when it went down. We were underway four nights and three days searching for the *Fitzgerald*. The only thing that we saw was a bubble of oil now and then. I had sailed in the North Atlantic, in hurricanes in the Gulf, in Alaska and Seattle, all on the ocean, and then I transferred to Duluth, and it was an education. Nothing can compare to a lake when you get in that 20-30 foot chop coming from three different directions."

Hobaugh, now Executive Director of LeSault de Sainte Marie Historical Sites Inc. in Sault Ste. Marie, says that later in spring 1976, reservists were on board *Woodrush* when it was used as the platform for a picture-taking survey of the *Fitzgerald* using the Navy's CURV III controlled underwater recovery vehicle.





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Shutter Bug

Five foot two and a whiz at basketball? Ask anyone at the state capitol in Lansing, Mich. and many will smile and agree that you must be talking about Lorraine Jacyno Dieterle. She's the woman veteran chosen by Governor John Engler to help create the Michigan chapter of the Women in Military Service for America Memorial at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C. If anyone could do the job, it was Lorraine.

Although there are countless monuments honoring American servicemen, the Women in Military Service for America (WIMSA) Memorial, dedicated Oct. 18, 1997, was the first to honor the country's servicewomen from the American Revolution to the present. The memorial was the creation of WIMSA, a nonprofit organization authorized by Congress to raise money for the monument. When Lorraine was appointed as state chair in 1992, she kept on moving around Michigan just as she had moved around the basketball court in the 1940s — with determination, zest and a will to succeed.

Lorraine had a head start on the job. She first heard about the proposed monument in 1987 and traveled around Michigan locating and registering Michigan women and raising funds for the project. When she took the Michigan reins of WIMSA in 1992, there were only six women canvassing the entire state. By early 1997, there were 83.

Lorraine is a natural for the task. When she enlisted in 1944, it didn't take her long to choose SPARs, the women's branch of the U.S. Coast Guard.

"I picked it because," she says with a grin, "it's the smallest and the feistiest branch of the service. Things don't come easy for the Coast Guard, and that was okay with me."

Louis Jacyno, Lorraine's father, was himself a military man.

"When my only brother passed away, I became my father's son," says Lorraine.

When Lorraine reached her twenties, her father was proud, though anxious, that his daughter wanted to follow in his footsteps. As future general George S. Patton's chauffeur in France during World War I, Louis Jacyno saw firsthand the brutality of war. He was relieved, however, when Lorraine's talent and training as a photographer kept her both stateside and valuable to the war effort.

The Detroit-born Lorraine, now in her 70s, has always loved photography.



“I got my first camera when I was 12,” she recalls. “I’ve always loved taking pictures. By the time I entered the Coast Guard, I had already worked for newspapers, and done portrait photography and advertising work. Lorraine knew how to work in the darkroom as well.

After six weeks of basic training in Palm Beach, Fla., Lorraine was assigned to the Third Naval District in New York City, becoming the district’s first female photographer. She soon became director of the district’s USCG Photography School. To record history, the Coast Guard placed photographers aboard as many ships as possible during the war. Not all ships with photographers had darkrooms.

Lorraine’s job called for her to train young soldiers in combat photography — including still, motion and aerial work — and darkroom procedures. Women did not fill such positions at the time. She also directed the district’s public-relations activities and catalogued and supervised incoming photography from all theaters of operation to newspapers, magazines, newsreels and the National Archives.

“The men went through four to six weeks of training,” says Lorraine. “I used to take them up on the Empire State Building for their aerial experience. They always treated me with respect. At times, I knew I stood for their sister, mother or wife. While I wasn’t in combat then,” recalls Lorraine, “I saw many horrible images on film. I had my only flashback [while in Hawaii during the V-J commemoration in September 1995] and I cried for three hours.”

Lorraine also had a chance to record some joyous times with her camera, including the Liberty ship convoy of returning servicemen at the war’s end.

“A hush passed over the ships, and there were tears in the eyes of the men as they passed the Statue of Liberty,” says Lorraine. “There were many ticker-tape parades led by such heroes as Gen. MacArthur, Gen. Wainwright and ADM Halsey.”

When she ran up near his car to get a good close-up shot, a worried ADM Halsey asked his driver to stop.

“Be careful, young lady,” he warned. “We don’t want you to get hurt. You want to go home, too.”

Lorraine was impressed with this famous officer’s tenderness. She also photographed President Truman as he spoke to troops in Central Park.

Six months after her discharge in 1946, Lorraine married Walter Dieterle, whom she met before the war while they both photographed a high school football game. (Walter was a radio operator with the U.S. Army during World War II). She went right back into photography. The birth of sons Kurt and Mark in 1948 and 1950 didn’t slow Lorraine down. She earned a master’s degree in education at Wayne State University so she could both teach others and also spend time at home with her children.

Her sons carried on the family’s proud military tradition. Kurt is an Annapolis graduate who served in Vietnam, and Mark, a West Pointer, is a retired Army captain who served his tour of duty in Korea (she roots for both teams during the annual Army-Navy game). When the two were young-

Photos this page taken by Lorraine Dieterle, top to bottom: Former heavyweight boxing champion CDR Jack Dempsey, USCGR, speaks at an event in New York City. • Gen. Jonathan Wainwright, a POW for three years in the Pacific theater, speaks at a press conference in New York City • General Douglas MacArthur waves during a ticker-tape parade in New York City; • President Harry S. Truman addresses troops in Central Park at war’s end.

sters, their father's work sometimes dovetailed with Lorraine's interests. When Walter was employed by Bell and Howell, a communications company, Lorraine worked as a free-lance photographer in the field of animation.

"I loved it," she recalls. "I could be so creative with all their great, expensive cameras."

Both Walter and Lorraine were active in many community affairs, including Little League.

"Walter was so proud because he coached both his sons' teams, and then the teams of Mark's two sons, Jeff and Brian, who are now 24 and 21." Walter passed away in 1994.

Lorraine taught special-education students in several school districts until 1978. Today she continues to work as a professional photographer, free-lancing on automotive accounts and social gatherings. Thanks to Lorraine and her fellow women veterans' tireless efforts, Michigan legislators passed a bill earmarking \$25,000 for the [women's] memorial. Although the monument was authorized by Congress and is supported the Department of Defense and Veterans Affairs, only private funds and donations by states were used for the project. When it opened Oct. 18, 1997 the monument offered a reflecting pool, an education center, a theater and arc-of-glass tablets on the upper terrace. It also contains a registry with a computerized database with the name, photograph and individual story of each woman's service.

Lorraine Dieterle has no plans to retire any time soon. When she's not attending veterans' and community functions, she's busy at her needlework, putting family photos on video or riding in a helicopter.

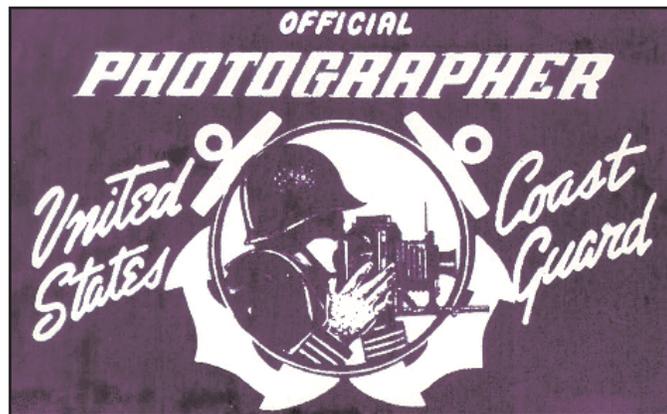
"Back in September [of 1996], the Coast Guard asked me to go up on one at Selfridge [Air National Guard Base]. Boy, did they get a surprise. The pilot was having some fun, thinking that I'd be scared. Well, I loved every minute of it, that's for sure."

What's Lorraine's next stop?

"I applied for the Peace Corps, and I'll go anywhere. I have a passing knowledge of Polish and Spanish, and I'm willing to work."

Ed's note: Lorraine Dieterle also coached girl's and women's basketball in Detroit from 1961-77. One of her middle school teams, Harper Woods St. Peter's, won 96 consecutive games. That team was inducted into the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Mass., the first women's team to be inducted since the early 20th century. Since this article was published three years ago, Lorraine hasn't joined the Peace Corps...yet! She has since moved to Fairfax, Va. and works as Director of Volunteer Services at the Women's Memorial at Arlington National Cemetery. A book of her photos on Arlington National Cemetery, "A Nation's History Written in Stone," will be published in spring 2001. When we talked to her during October, she had just taken another helicopter ride, this one over the cemetery to shoot some aerial photos. Of course, need we even ask if she was at the launching of the CGC SPAR at Marinette, Wis. last Aug. 12? Just look at the cover of the September/October Reservist for your answer! And yes, 54 years after being discharged from the Coast Guard, she still fits into her World War II uniform.

Photos this page, top to bottom: Lorraine Dieterle is sworn into the Coast Guard Women's Reserve (SPARs) in 1944. • Dieterle's "Official Photographer" press credentials from WWII. • Dieterle at work in the Coast Guard's lab in New York City. • This Dieterle-taken photo shows SPARs celebrating in New York City on V-J Day, 1945.





This month's stop...

AUSTRALIA

by PAC Ed Kruska, USCGR

Ed's note: When the eyes of the world turned to Australia for the recent Summer Olympics, our eyes also turned to the "Land Down Under" for the sixth article in our series on "Coast Guards Around the World." This article centers largely on the activities of the Australian Volunteer Coast Guard (www.coastguard.com.au/), and is similar to our U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. It also mentions two other organizations that have many of the same functions as our own U.S. Coast Guard — the Australian Maritime Safety Authority (www.amsa.gov.au/amsa/abt.htm) and Coastwatch, a branch of Customs (www.customs.gov.au/acs.htm). The U.S. Coast Guard works closely with the Aussies. In fact, U.S. Coast Guard Polar Class icebreakers make annual port calls in Australia before performing the critical mission of re-supplying the United States Science Station at McMurdo in Antarctica as part of Operation Deep Freeze. Also, the USCG has an exchange agreement with the Royal Australian Navy (RAN). LCDR Howard Show, USCG, fills a billet at the Australian Defense Force's Joint Northern Command in Darwin, Australia while LCDR Brenton Witt, RAN, serves as a law enforcement operations officer at Coast Guard Group Hampton Roads in Virginia. Special thanks to A.W. Spehar, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Press Corps, MST1 Mark Razny, USCGR, and Tricia Luck of Coast Guard International Affairs (Commandant, G-CI) for providing background information for this article.

G'day mates, and welcome to

Australia, the world's largest island! The only country occupying a whole continent, Australia ranks sixth in the world for total land mass at 2.9-million square miles. It has a coastline of 19,650 kilometers (12,210 miles), and 90 percent of Australia's population of 17.5 million lives within 120km of the coast while over 70 percent live in the coastal belt from Cairns in Queensland to Adelaide in South Australia.

The Australian Volunteer Coast Guard (AVCG) was formed in September 1961 to promote safety in the operation of small craft. The AVCG is guided by the motto "Safety by All Means," and it guards the Australian coast in the most effective way — initially by education, example, examination, and finally, by search and rescue. The AVCG has no law enforcement powers and enjoys a reputation for being helpful and courteous to all boat owners.

To achieve its training goals, the AVCG National Board issues national training orders that establish levels of expertise, including mainstream ratings such as seaman, coxswain, and patrol officer. Specialized ratings include vessel examiner, instructor, navigator, radio operator, and weather observer. External ratings include medical officer, diver and air pilot.

Flotillas and radio bases are located from the Skardon River in the Gulf of Carpentaria, down the eastern seaboard to Ceduna in South Australia, including the Torres Strait Islands, Tasmania and major inland lakes and weirs. Expansion is continuing in areas of need.

There are approximately 9,000 members of the AVCG, with 2,200 being regular (boat/radio duty) volunteer members. You must be at least 18 years old to be a member. The AVCG and affiliation-owned resources include 89 rescue boats, 147 radio bases under the control of 63

flotillas, 30 communication and display vans, four fixed-wing aircraft, and qualified divers. AVCG services include radio monitoring, safety patrols, and search and rescue.

Each flotilla has radio facilities monitoring many of the marine distress frequencies. All bases are available for coverage of recreational vessels, latest weather reports and emergency assistance. Many radio bases operate on a 24 hour basis.

As for safety patrols, AVCG association and member-owned vessels patrol Australian waterways assisting the public with safe boating advice, mechanical problems and responding to distress calls when they occur. All rescue vessels are on standby around the clock.

The AVCG works closely with the State Water Police and other volunteer rescue organizations in search and rescue operations.

Our U.S. Coast Guard has a thriving relationship with the AVCG. The MSO Chicago Auxiliary Flotilla 9W-02-05 is the "sister unit" to an AVCG Flotilla in Queensland. MSO Chicago was visited by the former National Vice Commodore Ray Campbell, AVCG during the summer of 1999. U.S. Coast Guard Reservist MST1 Mark Razny and CAPT Arn Heggers, USCG(Ret.) served as some of the Aussie's tour guides. Meanwhile, our USCG Auxiliary Division 11 in Southern California has liaised successfully with the South Australian Volunteer Coast Guard with visits from and to each nation occurring in 1998 and 1999. During spring 2001, a joint training conference is being planned in Australia between the USCG and AVCG to focus on training the coast guards of smaller Pacific island nations. And that blue stripe on the AVCG logo looks awfully familiar!

Though they don't call themselves the Coast Guard per se, the Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) is a largely self-funded government agency with the charter of enhancing the delivery of safety and other services to the Australian maritime industry. AMSA's vision is to achieve the world's best practice in the provision of state of the art, highly effective services in maritime safety, the search and rescue for vessel and aircraft, and protection of the marine environment from ship sourced pollution.

Its head office is located in Canberra with principal offices in 10 other cities. AMSA has six main business units including Maritime Safety and Environmental Strategy, Maritime Operations, Engineering and Maintenance Operations, Australian Search and Rescue (AusSAR), International and Strategic Development, and Corporate and Commercial Services.

Coastwatch is another Australian government agency tasked with detecting potential or actual unlawful activity in coastal and offshore waters and coordinates responses when necessary. A branch of Customs, Coastwatch provides a civil surveillance and response service that covers 37,000 km of coastline, and an offshore maritime zone of 9-million square km.

To meet their challenges, Coastwatch has 15 specially-equipped aircraft and is supported by the Customs marine unit which is currently in the process of upgrading its fleet with eight new 38-meter ocean-going patrol vessels.

The Australian Volunteer Coast Guard, Australian Maritime Safety Authority and Coastwatch are all working to keep the Land Down Under safe, secure and sailing into the 21st century.

IN BRIEF

• ATTENTION RPA CANDIDATES —

Numbering about 70 officers from lieutenant junior grade (O2) to captain (O6), the Reserve Program Administrator (RPA) corps is an elite group of dedicated personnel who serve on Active Duty and are the Coast Guard's military Human Resource specialists. Their primary function is to oversee the Coast Guard's Reserve Component and to act as advocates for reservists. For more information on joining the RPA corps, please check out the RPA Web page at: <http://www.uscg.mil/reserve/rpa/rpahome.htm>. If you are interested, contact LCDR Daryl Cunningham at 202-267-1330 (e-mail: dcunningham@comdt.uscg.mil) or LT Cassandra Johnson, 202-267-0569 (e-mail: cjohnson@comdt.uscg.mil). The application deadline is late December.

• **CGES HOLIDAY IDEAS** — It's that time again to think about gifts for the holidays. You can't go wrong by picking up something at a Coast Guard Exchange for your Coastie friend or family member. Visit your Coast Guard Exchange or shop on-line at www.shopcoastguard.com

• **CGES SPECIAL ORDERS** — Ever have a hard time tracking down some Coast Guard items? Stumped on where to turn? A little-known service the Coast Guard Exchange System provides is their Special Orders Department in Cleveland. They can be reached at 1-800-242-9157.

• **COAST GUARDSMAN'S MANUAL, NINTH EDITION** — This manual is essential to the professional development of all Coast Guardsmen. First published in 1952, it not only reinforces the basic knowledge and skills learned by recruits, but also introduces a variety of new information necessary to keep abreast of recent changes. Appendices include a brief history of the Coast Guard as well as a study guide for the Servicewide Exam. It was revised by CAPT George Krietemeyer, USCG(Ret.). **Specifcits:** ISBN: 1-55750-468-7. 708 pages. 66 line drawings and seven maps. Appendices. Index. 5-1/2 x 8-1/4 inches. Paperback. **List price:** \$21.95 (plus \$4 postage and handling plus 5 percent sales tax for delivery in the state of Maryland). **Order Info:** Customer Service, Naval Institute Press, 2062 Generals Highway, Annapolis, MD 21401; 1-800-233-8764 or 410-224-3378; Fax: 410-571-1703; Email: customer@usni.org; Web: www.nip.org. Major credit cards and checks accepted.

• **COMMISSARY PRIVILEGE CARD** — The 24-visit Commissary Privilege Card (CPC) was mailed by Coast Guard Human Resource Service & Information Center (HRSIC) to each reservist's home. If you do not receive one by Dec. 15, 2000, please contact LT Cassandra

Johnson at 202-267-0569, e-mail: cjohnson@comdt.uscg.mil

• **EAGLE PRINT** — The Coast Guard Festival *CGC Eagle* print published in the July/August 2000 issue is still available for \$65 plus shipping and handling. To order, contact Gallery of Frames, 1705 S. Beacon, Grand Haven, MI 49417. 616-842-8878 or e-mail: galleryof-frames@hotmail.com. To see the print, visit *The Reservist* on the CGR web site at: www.uscg.mil/reserve.

• **FUTURE FORCE 21** — In order for the Coast Guard to continue to do its many missions, now and in the future, the USCG must change the way it recruits, trains and manages its people. A Coast Guard team is working on the human resource blueprint for the 21st century Coast Guard. Want to find out more? Check out: <http://users.erols.com/sixoften/index.html>

• **PATCHWORK OF CGR HISTORY** — *The Reservist Magazine* is planning a comprehensive CGR historical article for the February 2001 issue to commemorate our 60th birthday. The last time one was published was in February 1991 for the CGR 50th birthday; much has happened since then. Send your remembrances, especially of the last decade, to *The Reservist* and we'll publish a "Patchwork of CGR History" in that special issue. **The deadline is Jan. 10, 2001.** The address is Commandant (G-WTR-2), USCG Headquarters, 2100 Second Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20593-0001. E-mail: ekruska@comdt.uscg.mil

• **RESERVE CPO ACADEMY CLASSES** — During 2001, there will be two class convenings for the Reserve CPOA at New London, Conn. Reserve Class 11 is set for June 16-28 while Reserve Class 12 is schedule for July 14-26. For more information, contact MCPO Tim Cary, Commandant (G-WTL-2), 202-267-2441 or e-mail: tcary@comdt.uscg.mil

• **SPACE-A CORRECTION** — The USCGR Benefits Chart in the April/May 2000 *Reservist* (page 25) contained an error on Space-A Travel (Line 14). The "No" listed under the green columns should be "Yes." Please make a pen and ink change if you still have your copy.

• **USS COLE FUND** — In response to the attack on *USS Cole* (DDG 67) on Oct. 12 that resulted in 17 American sailors lives lost and 39 injured, the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society has established a fund to benefit sailors assigned to the ship and their family members. For more information, contact NMCRS at 703-696-4904; Web site: www.spear.navy.mil/ships/ddg67/. Contributions may be sent to Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society, 801 N. Randolph St., Suite 1228, Arlington, VA 22203-1978. Please designate "For USS Cole" on the check.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2000

- **SPARS 58TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION** — Tuesday, Nov. 21 at the Women's Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, D.C. Details were pending at press time. Contact CWO4 Betty Splaine at 703-960-2559.

DECEMBER 2000

- **PEARL HARBOR DAY CEREMONY** — Thursday, Dec. 7, 11:55 a.m. aboard *CGC Taney*, at Pier 5, Pratt Street, in Baltimore's Inner Harbor. Sponsored by Baltimore's Maritime Museum and Living Classrooms Foundation. Contact Mr. Paul Cora, 802 S. Caroline St., Baltimore, MD 21231. 410-396-3453. E-mail: nationalhistoricseaport@erols.com
- **COAST GUARD RESERVE AWARDS** — The annual Waesche, Morris and ROA Outstanding Junior Officer Award nominations are due to Commandant (G-WTR-2) in December for the 2001 awards. Waesche and ROA OJO are due Dec. 1 and Morris is due Dec. 15. See the message board for ALCOASTs.

JANUARY 2001

- **INAUGURATION DAY** — The 54th Presidential Inauguration is set for Saturday, Jan. 20 in Washington, D.C. Coast Guard Reservists will be filling positions on the Armed Forces Inaugural Committee. Some of these positions can be found under "Hot Items" on the Reserve Web site: www.uscg.mil/reserve
- **SUPER SUNDAY** — *CGC Tampa* (WMEC 902) will be in Tampa, Fla. the week of the Super Bowl. City of Tampa will proclaim Wednesday, Jan. 24 as *CGC Tampa Day*.
- **BLACKTHORN CEREMONY** — 21st commemoration of the Jan. 28, 1980 collision of tanker *Capricorn* and *CGC Blackthorn* (WLB 391) that took lives of 23 Coast Guardsmen. Ceremony is Sunday, Jan. 28, 2 p.m. at Blackthorn Memorial Park, north side of Sunshine Skyway Bridge in St. Petersburg, Fla.

REUNIONS

MAY 2001

- **CGC RUSH (WHEC 723)** — 1970-71 Vietnam tour is holding a reunion May 6-10, 2001 in Las Vegas, Nev. Contact: Royal Baby John A. Vogel, 520-783-3625 or e-mail: lrvogel@cybertrails.com

- **CGC CAMPBELL (W-32/W-909) ASSOCIATION** — 16 annual reunion is May 9-12, 2001 at the Holiday Inn, New Orleans West Bank, Gretna, La. Current and former crew member welcome! Contact: James Kelly, Vice President, CGC Association, W-32-W-909, 40 Lisa Lane, Uncasville, CT 06382. 860-848-1160.

- **CGC EASTWIND (WAGB 279)** — May 25-28, 2001 at the Hilton at Logan Airport in Boston. Contact: Lee Grant, 15 Raymond Ave., Walpole, MA 02081, 508-668-2417 or Al Brier, 67 Round Cove Road, Chatham, MA 02633, 508-945-3729.

Contact: AMC John Chassereau, USCG(Ret.), 5830 12th St. North, St. Petersburg, FL 33703-1112. 727-522-3298 or e-mail: old-chief@juno.com

FEBRUARY 2001

- **ROA MID-WINTER CONFERENCE** — Feb. 4-7. Contact ROA, One Constitution Ave., N.E., Washington, D.C. 20002. 202-479-2200. Web: www.roa.org
- **COAST GUARD RESERVE 60TH BIRTHDAY** — Monday, Feb. 19, 2001 marks the Coast Guard Reserve's 60th birthday. What is your unit planning for this special day? Feb. 19, 2001 is also President's Day.

MARCH 2001

- **USCG FOOD SERVICE AWARDS** — March 3 in Anaheim, Calif. Contact MCPO Tom Richard, 202-267-2556 or e-mail: trichard@comdt.uscg.mil

JUNE 2001

- **TOM'S RUN III** — Team Coast Guard is invited to participate in Tom's Run III set for June 8-9. The relay is named in honor of retired Coast Guardsman CWO4 Tom Brooks and is held annually to raise awareness of ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease). Teams run and bike 190-miles in relay fashion along the historic C&O Canal from Cumberland, Md. to Fort McNair Army Base, next to CGHQ. Legs range from 2.5 to 11 miles long. Sponsored by the Washington Chapter of CWOA and coordinated by the Office of Reserve Affairs. Event was featured in the August 1999 and July/August 2000 *Reservist* (www.uscg.mil/reserve). For info, contact LCDR Darrell Prather, 202-267-2217 or e-mail: dprather@comdt.uscg.mil

AUGUST 2001

- **COMMISSIONING OF CGC SPAR** — Is tentatively set for Friday, Aug. 3 at Kodiak, Alaska. More details forthcoming in future issues.

SALUTING OUTSTANDING EMPLOYER



Photo by PA3 Alan Haraf, USCGR

Greg Allegretti, second from right, of Agilent Technologies in Illinois, receives a State Chairman's Award from Patrick Rae, Chairman of the Illinois Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve. Looking on are CDR Lynn Henderson, left, and LCDR George Pazak, both of MSO Chicago. Pazak, employed by Agilent, nominated Allegretti for the award given at a luncheon in September.

MEDALS & AWARDS

CG DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL

RADM J. Timothy Riker, LANTAREA

LEGION OF MERIT

CAPT John A. Gaughan, LANTAREA

DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

CDR Ronald L. Davis, USTRANSCOM

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

CAPT Carl Crown, ISC San Pedro
 CDR Robert E. Crane, II, G-SI/Y2K
 LT Bill Travis, EMDDET Atlanta
 BMCS Alfred E. Johnson, D1 HQ

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 TC1 David W. Astemborski, USTRANSCOM

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 BMCM Preston E. Trower, Group Eastern Shore, Md.
 YNCS William M. Whittington, MLCLANT (pf)
 BM3 Zachary L. Johnson, Station Merrimack, w/"O"

NAVY & MARINE CORPS ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

PSCM Johannes Verhaeg, PSU 305

CG ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

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 BMC Timothy M. Jasina, *CGC Sumac*
 PSC James S. Dawson, MSO Chicago
 PSC Gerald A. Griner, MSO Chicago
 IV1 Christopher S. McCoy, CGIS SE Region
 IV1 Donald S. Zeagler, CGIS SE Region

YN1 Marion L. White, G-SI/Y2K

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 FSC Robert M. Payne, *CGC Gasconade*
 MSTC Marty Martin, MSO Chicago
 YNC Nancy L. Seely, Group Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.
 BM1 Peter J. Steele, *CGC Osage*
 FS1 Allen G. Miller, *CGC Osage*
 MK1 Michael R. O'Neill Jr., *CGC Osage*
 MK1 William H. Robinson, *CGC Osage*
 MK1 James M. Schellhammer, *CGC Osage*
 MST1 Richard A. Elmer, MSO Chicago
 MST1 Grant C. Spooner, MSO Chicago
 MST1 John R. Vick, MSO Chicago
 PS1 Patrick T. Kerrigan, MSO Chicago
 PS1 Thomas P. Lally, MSO Chicago
 YN1 Anne M. Priestman, G-SI/Y2K
 FS2 Robert G. Newton, *CGC Osage*
 PA2 Christopher Rose, Commandant (G-WTR-2)
 PS2 John A. Schroepfer, CGIS SE Region
 IV3 Randal W. Thompson, CGIS SE Region
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CDR Glen A. Cekus, MSO Chicago
 LCDR George J. Pazak, MSO Chicago
 MST1 Grant C. Spooner, MSO Chicago

• **CAPT Ralph R. Curry, USCG(Ret.)**, 95, passed away April 12, 2000 in San Jose, Calif. He was a graduate of the Coast Guard Academy and of George Washington University Law School. He commanded a destroyer-escort division in the Atlantic and Mediterranean during World War II as captain of *USS Pride* (DE 323). He was chief of special services and congressional liaison at Headquarters in the 1950s. His wife, Mary Rose Ruddy Curry, preceded him in death in 1998. He is survived by three children, Kate, Connie and Ralph "Chip" Jr.; five grandchildren and four great-grand-children. Interment at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va.

• **CAPT Harry A. Gard, USCGR(Ret.)**, 66, of Edenton, N.C. passed away Oct. 3, 2000 in Norfolk, Va. He attended Valley Forge Military Academy and graduated from the College of William and Mary, Norfolk Division. As a civilian, he was president of Jimbo's Jumbos Peanut Company. CAPT Gard was a very highly respected and professional Coast Guard Reserve Officer and an active member of the Reserve Officers Association. He is survived by his wife Betty Jean; a daughter, Deborah; a son, Carlo; three brothers, Thomas, Ernest and Walter; four grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held at the Holloman-Brown Funeral Home, Norfolk, Va. on Oct. 7, and he was honored with a military funeral conducted by the Coast Guard. Interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Salvation Army.

• **CAPT Quentin R. Walsh, USCG(Ret.)**, 98, of Denton, Md., passed away May 18, 2000. Born Feb. 10, 1902, he was a true World War II Coast Guard hero, and was cited and awarded the Navy Cross for heroism and conspicuous bravery during the assault on Cherbourg, France, immediately following the Allied invasion of Normandy. He retired from the Coast Guard Aug. 1, 1960. He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann; three sons, Bronwyn, Quentin Jr. and J.O.K.; a brother, Gerard; grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Memorial Mass of Christian Burial was held May 25, 2000 at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church, Denton. Coast Guard units not underway May 25 displayed the national ensign at half mast. Interment at Veterans Cemetery at Buelah near Preston, Md. Donations in his memory may be made to the Caroline County Historical Society, P.O. Box 514, Denton, MD 21629. ALCOAST 230/00.

• **LT Leo Feirst, USCG(Ret)**, 101, of Houston, Texas, passed away July 27, 2000. Born Aug. 20, 1898, and raised in Newark, N.J., he was a World War II veteran who served 27 years

in the Coast Guard. He once served as RADM Williard J. Smith's aide. Following his Aug. 1, 1947 retirement, LT Feirst spent nearly 52 years on the retired list, one of the last Coast Guard centenarians on the retired list. He was married 68 years to his wife, Nellie, and had one daughter, Audrey, who preceded him in death. He is survived by two grandchildren; six great-grandchildren. Services were held at Levy Funeral Home in Houston. Interment Emmanuel Memorial Park, Houston.

• **MCPO James B. Kane, USCG(Ret.)**, 69, of Amisville, Va., passed away April 10, 2000. Born in Ventura, Calif. on Aug. 15, 1930, he organized and was the first president of the Chief Petty Officers Association from October 1969 through April 1970. He retired from the Coast Guard Oct. 1, 1969. He is survived by his children, James Jr., Donald, Cherri, Erin; eight grandchildren. Interment Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va.

• **MCPO Kevin R. Schiller, USCGR(Ret.)**, 62, of Salisbury, Md., passed away Sept. 29, 2000, in Chester, Pa. Born in Oak Harbor, Ohio, he was in the U.S. Coast Guard and Reserve for more than 39 years. He retired in 1997 as a court reporter for Worcester County Circuit Court. He is survived by his wife, Betty, of Salisbury; a son, Steven; a son and his wife, Randy B. and Ebru Schiller of Germany; one brother, Wally; two sisters, Shirley Crennan and Darlene Crozier; several nieces and nephews. A funeral service was held Oct. 3, 2000 at Holloway Funeral Home in Salisbury. Another service was held Oct. 6, 2000 at the Crosser Funeral Home in Oak Harbor. Interment at the Union Cemetery in Oak Harbor. Contributions may be made in his memory to Asbury United Methodist Church, 1401 Camden Ave., Salisbury, MD 21801, and/or to the American Heart Association, 800 E. Main St., Salisbury, MD 21804.

• **BMC Frank B. Bober, USCG(Ret.)**, 75, passed away Sept. 12, 2000. He was a veteran of World War II, Korean and Vietnam wars. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy. Interment Sept. 20, 2000 at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va.

• **PS1 Donald B. Bottoms, USCGR(Ret.)**, 67, of Chicago, passed away July 2, 2000. He attended Wilson Junior College and Chicago State University, and enlisted in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. He later joined the Coast Guard Reserve and served for 16 years. In 1961, He joined the Chicago Police Department, and during his 32 years of service, received numerous awards for his service. He is survived by his wife, Vivian; son Donald Michael, one granddaughter, four nieces, two nephews, and great nieces and nephews. Services were held on July 8, 2000 at St. Felicitas Catholic Church in Chicago.

• **MK3 Gary L. Lambert, USCGR(Ret.)**, 58, of Grawn, Mich., passed away May 19, 2000, while doing yard work near "Lambert's Lighthouse," which he constructed to show the way home. Born July 20, 1941, he served eight years in the U.S. Air Force and was a Vietnam veteran. He also served in the Coast Guard Reserve 12 years and was assigned to RU Traverse City, Mich. He is survived by his wife, Pennie; three sons, Michael, Mark and Matthew; his mother, Lucille; two brothers, Robert and Edward; father-in-law, Kenneth; nieces and nephews. A Funeral Mass was held May 22, 2000 at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Traverse City, Mich. Interment Grand Traverse Memorial Gardens. Contributions may be made in his memory to St. Patrick Catholic Church or St. Vincent DePaul Society.

• **Fay Alexander**, 75, passed away July 16, 2000, in Sarasota, Fla. from lung cancer. He soared to stardom as one of the few trapeze artists to execute a triple somersault and performed in movies. During World War II, he served in the Coast Guard, and performed as an acrobat with Rudy Vallee's show and later appeared in the "Stars and Bars" show with Sid Caesar and Victor Mature. After the war, he performed with various circuses and began working for Barnum in 1949. He performed in the various movies including *Trapeze* in 1955, *The Big Circus* in 1959 and *Jumbo* in 1962.



ADM Willard J. Smith, left, accepts a name plate from then retired MCPO James Kane, right. Kane was the first president of the CPOA in 1969-70 while Smith was Coast Guard Commandant from 1966-70. Smith passed away April 1 and Kane on April 10. Photo courtesy of CPOA



PSC William J. Reisa, left, receives a Commandant's Letter of Commendation from CDR William Wagner, Commanding Officer of MSO Louisville during a ceremony held in April on the shores of the Ohio River. Seated is Reisa's wife, Bonnie.

- In April, **PSC William J. Reisa** was transferred to the Individual Ready Reserve after 34 years of combined Navy and Coast Guard, active duty and Selected Reserve service. He has had a truly remarkable military record. Reisa enlisted in the Navy in 1964, became a Naval Flight Officer and flew 144 combat missions during his two tours in Vietnam. He was injured while fighting the fire aboard the USS Forrester in 1967. Reisa then enlisted in the Coast Guard Reserve in 1976. While assigned to CGRU MSD Cove Point, Md., he assisted in the salvage and recovery of the CGC Cuyahoga in 1978. In 1980, he was voluntarily recalled to support the Mariel Boatlift. He has volunteered for every Coast Guard Reserve call-up since. Reisa was one of the first people on scene during the 1982 crash of Air Florida Flight 90 in the Potomac River. He helped organize the initial rescue efforts and worked closely with federal and local agencies over the next several days until salvage operations were complete. He was voluntarily recalled again in 1990 in support of Operation Desert Shield/Storm. Chief Reisa has been assigned to MSO Louisville since 1996. During his military career, Chief Reisa earned over 50 service medals and awards, including seven Air Medals and an Army Achievement Medal. He is probably one of the few Coast Guardsman to ever to earn and wear Naval Flight Officer Wings as well as the Coast Guard Coxswain's insignia. Chief Reisa remains a very active member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

- **Mr. Bob Calvert** officially closed out a 16 year Coast Guard civilian career at ISC Portsmouth (pf) on Sept. 30. Calvert was presented with the Commander's Intent Award from ISC Commanding Officer, CAPT Richard Houck, his retirement letter, and an American Flag at a ceremony on Sept. 27. His first retirement from the Coast Guard as a YNCS in 1984 came after 23 years of active duty. His second career as a Coast Guard civilian began with Commander, 5th Coast Guard District, Reserve Division. He excelled in every aspect of the Reserve Program, from funds management, training, personnel, and policy while at 5th District and then at ISC Portsmouth in the Force Optimization and Training Branch. More importantly, he touched thousands of reservists, commands and personnel with his diplomacy, fairness and vast knowledge of the organization and personnel procedures, greatly enhancing the effectiveness of this program. The Coast Guard family congratulates Mr. Calvert on his second retirement — his significant contributions and dedication to the organization have left lasting impressions on many and will be missed.



Mr Bob Calvert



CAPT John Gaughan, left, is presented with an American flag flown on CGC Point Bonita by BMCN Charles Wolfson during his retirement ceremony.

- **CAPT John A. Gaughan**, USCGR, was recognized at a retirement ceremony Sept. 1 at Station Little Creek, Va. following a 30-year Coast Guard career. He was presented the Legion of Merit at his retirement ceremony for outstanding meritorious service in the performance of duty as Senior Reserve Officer, Operations Division and as Deputy Chief of Staff for Mobilization and Reserve Component Affairs, CG LANTAREA from May 1997 to August 2000. He had significant input to the planning of OpSail 2000, Reserve billet O-6 restructuring, as well as the first-ever "Gathering of Eagles," an O-6 conference he facilitated. He was a member of the 1989 Strategic Planning and Reserve Capabilities Study (SPARCS) Group which outlined a broader role for the CGR. Gaughan was a former head of the Maritime Administration, Chief of Staff to former DOT Secretary Samuel Skinner, and Deputy Assistant to Presidents Bush and Clinton.

JANUARY 2000

LCDR James E. Sohns, D1

MARCH 2000

LCDR George A. Cognet, D5
MKC Russell T. Baldwin, D1
YN2 Edward J. Just, D1*

APRIL 2000

QMC Richard Fashjian, D1
GM2 Enrique Avila, D7***

JUNE 2000

CDR Pamela S. Mebine, D11
LCDR William J. Harrison, D7
LT Sanford R. Sears, D5
CWO3 Mary H. Waters, D7
TC2 Loren J. Rux, D13*

JULY 2000

RADM J. Timothy Riker, LANT
(see July/August 2000 cover story)
CAPT John A. Gaughan, D5
CAPT Michael J. Rauworth, D1
CDR Anthony Fuentes, D8
CDR Mark A. Jackson, D11
CDR Edward L. Ristaino, D7
CDR Katie D. Tucker, D7
CDR Christian A. Wethe, D1
LCDR Dennis Fahr, D1
LCDR Albert W. Horsmon, Jr., D8
LCDR Randall E. Julin, D9
LCDR Robert A. Mitchell, D5
LCDR Edward D. Selle, D8
LCDR Michael W. Walter, D7
LT Tommy L. Garrett, D7
LT Terry R. Manwell, D9
LT Timothy A. Pannone, D5
LT James S. Sweeney, D9
CWO4 Ralph N. Doolin, D7
CWO3 Charles A. Welsch II, D8
FSCM Mike W. Nelson, D8
RDCM Preston E. Webster, D5
PSCS Mark M. Coulson, D8
PAC Johnny C. Ludlow, D1*
SKC David C. Rodeheaver, D5
ET1 John W. Love, D11
MK1 John R. Hall, D11
PS1 Oscar Benavides, D8
PS1 John B. Murray, D13

SK1 Linda K. Rommerdahl, D8
PS2 Alan M. Eaby, D7***

AUGUST 2000

CAPT Paul B. Murray, D5
LCDR Mark C. Hudson, D8
LCDR Victor K. Kelley, D5
LT Tommy L. Garrett, D7
CWO4 Daniel M. Larkin, D11
FTCM Keith R. Frederick, D11
BMCS Walter W. Mitchell, D1
DCCS Homer L. Spaulding, D7
BMC Gary E. Hormell, D11
BMC Charles E. Morton, D7
IVC Braden B. McKinley, D11
MKC Larry J. Bonnell, D7
MSTC Herbert S. Wong, D11
PSC Dennis G. Carreira, D14
PSC Gerard B. Connolly, D5
PSC John E. Lieberz, D7
PSC Pete Q. Quiane, D11
SKC Herbert N. Clark, D1
BM1 William T. Armour, D1
BM1 Thomas J. Reagan, D1
EM1 Richard E. Collins, D1
FS1 Simone N. Piazza, D1
IV1 Jeffery M. Leighty, D13
MK1 Patrick L. Cunningham, D5
MK1 Douglas B. Lowery, D8
BM2 Frank D. Fontaino, D1
BM2 Charles E. Houge, D8
MST2 James S. Hall, D5
RD2 David P. Coon, D1
SK2 Zyndall F. Scott, D8

SEPTEMBER 2000

CDR Elijah Flynn, D1
CDR Joe F. Poteat, D7*
LCDR Janice E. Kulik, D9
LCDR John T. McCracken, D8*
LCDR Peter S. Virok, D5
LT William Read, D1
CWO3 Daniel G. Jackson, D8
CWO4 Dan S. McIntyre, D7*
MSTCM Lynn A. Collins, D8
PSCS Larry D. Harnden, D13*
TCCS Harry T. Pellish, D7
BMC Kenneth K. Harms, D13*
EMC Julian Poythress, D13*
EMC Rickie A. Pugh, D13
HSC Harry F. Tasset, D7
MKC Edward D. Allen, D1*

MKC Richard M. Alpiser, D9*
MKC Robert D. Navratil, D1
MSTC William L. Budd, D7*
PSC Jimmie Dye, D5*
PSC Carol L. Warrell, D9
TCC James N. Elliott, D8*
TCC Michael G. Garbe, D9
YNC Lynn H. Erickson, D11*
BM1 Dale A. Berg, D13*
MK1 Duane W. Gale, D8
MK1 Dan W. Steele, D11*
QM1 Joseph G. Fernon, D5
SK1 John O'Hayer, D13
TC1 Niels C. Nielsen, D13
YN1 Martha E. Rucki, D5
BM2 Charles T. Seidl, D17
MK2 Ralph E. Smith, D5*
SK2 Wayne E. Martin, D8
TT2 Edmund B. Redington, D5*
MK3 Charles P. Hughes, D1*

OCTOBER 2000

CAPT William S. Haight, D5*
CAPT Willis W. Moore, D1*
CAPT Paul S. Schooler, D8*
CAPT Richard R. Shaw, D7*
CDR James W. Jadul, D1*
CDR Paul V. Karna, D5
CDR Donald R. Updegraff, D8*
CDR Robert B. Wilson, D13*
LCDR Richard L. Cassioli, D11*
LCDR John C. Horton, D11*
LCDR William M. Parris, D8
CWO4 Donald M. Davenny, D7*
CWO4 James C. Roberts, D5*
CWO4 Robert J. Stackpole, D9*
CWO4 Sarah M. Wert, D11
PSCS Joseph R. Grubb, D5*
PSCS Raymond C. Rocke, D9*
PSCS Stephen F. Tebault, D5
EMCS Judson R. Chastain, D8
QMCS Thomas A. Dennis, D8
BMC Walter J. Little, D7*
EMC Ronald L. Brooks, D13*
MKC Richard F. Hart, D9*
MKC Victor V. Rondel, D13*
MKC Santiago E. Saldana, D8
MSTC Harris S. Simon, D1
PSC Jimmie Dye, D5
SKC Christopher B. Kowitz, D9
SKC William P. Schaus, D9
SKC Luis O. Torres, D7*

YNC Joseph L. Blewer, D7*
YNC Maryann Gorniewicz, D1*
DC1 Jere B. Clark, D5*
FS1 Daniel Willis, D7*
IV1 Albert L. Dean, D13*
IV1 Ian M. Shipley, D5*
PS1 Mark W. Calder, D13
SK1 William A. Howard, D7*
YN1 Don J. Klinder, D11*
BM2 Allyn M. Lopez, D7
DC2 Robert H. Oulton, D1*
MK2 Ronald K. Hess, D13*
PS2 Buzz O. Burnham, D13
SK3 Gordon T. Weir, D5

NOVEMBER 2000

CAPT Richard J. Kiessel, D5*
CAPT Fentress H. Munden, D5*
CAPT David W. Proudfoot, D14*
CAPT Travis H. Willis, D8*
CDR Thomas L. Herbert, D5*
CDR Roy F. Schoepf, D11*
CDR Arland B. Wasell, D13*
LCDR William C. Hutchinson, D1*
CWO4 Michael Fiorillo, D1*
CWO4 Myles R. Hayes, D1*
HSCM Paul A. Gregory, D11*
RDCS Ernest E. Winkler, D1*
FSCS Daniel C. Halloran, D1*
BMC Edmund J. Neale, D1*
PSC Patrick J. Nannery, D7*
BM1 John W. Herman, D9*
FS1 Robert D. Sims, D7*
MK1 Gary W. Mack, D9
MK1 Simplicio C. Villanueva, D11*
YN1 Francis J. Levay, D5*
AE2 Dean R. Droz, D1*
HS2 Raychel A. Watkins, D8*
MK2 Kurt E. Ankrom, D5*

DECEMBER 2000

CDR Thomas M. Quin, D7
PSC Anthony M. Guidice, D5
BM1 Daniel L. Lewis, D8
MK1 Albert C. Castaneda, D11
YN1 Norman F. Sooy, D5
BM2 Christine L. Cook, D11

* RET-1 (Retired With Pay); all others are RET-2. Source: HRSIC (ras)
*** RET-3 (Retired without Pay)



Photo courtesy RDCM P.E. Webster, USCGR(RET.)

RDCM Preston E. Webster, USCGR, receives a retirement plaque from CDR Norris Merkle, Executive Officer of Training Center Yorktown, June 30. RDCM Webster served over 32 years including time in Vietnam in 1969 aboard CGC Mendota (WHEC 69). Webster's wife Brenda received flowers from the command and a spouse certificate.



Photo courtesy of CAPT Carl Crown, USCGR(RET.)

CAPT Carl Crown, USCGR, left, is presented with a shadow box as a memento of his 30-year Coast Guard career by SCPO Ken Parham at Crown's retirement ceremony at ISC San Pedro June 30. Crown, who served as a Reserve Program Administrator for many years, was Commander of the ISC and was relieved by CAPT Richard Beseler.



Photo by PA1 Spring de Havilland, USCGR

Reservist FS3 Rudy Ison, right, says farewell at an Aug. 20 retirement ceremony at ISC San Pedro after 33 years of military service. Looking on is long-time friend FS1 Remy De Los Reyes, USCGR, who has spent 32 years in the military.

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GREETINGS FROM THE SEVENTH DISTRICT

Let me begin by telling those of you not familiar with the Seventh District a little about us. The Seventh District provides response to the maritime public throughout a 1.8-million-square-mile area of responsibility. The area includes the states of South Carolina, Georgia, the majority of Florida and some 31 nations and dependent territories within the Caribbean region. The Seventh District consists of one Section, five Groups, four Air Stations, six Marine Safety Offices, 20 Stations and 10 Aids to Navigation Teams. Also, great support is provided by a number of MLC and other commands located within the District too numerous to mention.

During an average day in D7, the Coast Guard will inspect 14 commercial vessels; service 14 aids to navigation facilitating \$221 million in cargo movement; seize 56 pounds of marijuana and 198 pounds of cocaine worth \$1.5 million; conduct 33 general law enforcement boardings, with an additional 10 boardings to enforce living marine resource laws; conduct 22 search and rescue cases, save three lives; interdict six illegal migrants; save or assist \$729,000 in property at sea; and respond to four reports of oil or chemical spills. These activities keep D7's personnel and those from throughout the Coast Guard that answer our frequent calls for assistance very busy here and it is also a record of which we are proud. Reservists support these missions by augmenting operational and support units. RADM Thad Allen is at the helm of D7 and under his leadership has guided the district into the 21st century.

What a great time to be a Coast Guard Reservist! The opportunities have never been as plentiful as they are today. Most recently, reservists have augmented activities such as Summer Stock, OpSail 2000, this past summer's CGC Eagle cadet cruise, and every Space Shuttle launch from NASA's Kennedy Space Center complex along Florida's East Coast. Team Coast Guard has made giant strides in unifying and blending into one Coast Guard not only the Reserve force, but Auxiliary and civilian personnel as well.

I recently attended this year's Command Master Chiefs' conference in Washington D.C. This conference is hosted by MCPO-CG Vince Patton and is jam packed with information that brings us up to date on items common to both active duty and Reserve members. This is the second year that the Reserve CMCs have been included and it's always beneficial to meet with MCPO George Ingraham and the other CMCs to hash over issues that apply to reservists. Off-hours activities at this year's conference included a reception for the Coast Guard hosted by the Navy Museum in honor of the Coast Guard's 210th birthday. Following the reception, the Coast Guard Band treated us to a concert, and what a talented group of musicians they are. MCPO-CG Patton hosted an informal buffet at his quarters

and to say everything was outstanding would be an understatement. We ended the week by attending the evening parade at the Washington barracks of the U.S. Marine Corps; the bands and drill teams were superb. This was one of those events where you walk away wanting to stand taller with your chest out.

There are many reasons we choose to join the Coast Guard Reserve. For some it's the pride and patriotism that comes from serving our great country. For a few others it may just be the extra dollars a month that the retirement benefits bring after 20 years service. Another reason many join is for educational benefits. Unfortunately, as I visit with reservists throughout D7, I'm always surprised by the number of personnel who aren't aware of what is available to not only them, but their spouses as well. For members pursuing a degree, I would urge you to contact your Educational Services Officer (ESO) and find out what is available to you, i.e., college credit courses from the Coast Guard Institute, CLEP tests, Dantes, etc. Also, fill out a Form CGI 1506/04d, Educational Assessment Worksheet, have it signed by your ESO and forward to the Coast Guard Institute. You may be surprised by the amount of college credits you already have. In addition funds are available through Coast Guard tuition Assistance and Coast Guard Mutual Assistance.

The April/May 2000 issue of *The Reservist* covered retirement extensively. This was timely for me as in less than a year I will be hanging up my boat shoes and retiring. I'd like to close by saying farewell to all I have served with over the years. Special thanks to my active duty counterparts that have provided support throughout my assignment as D7's Reserve CMC. A special note of thanks also to MCPOs Skip Bowen, Paul Wanex, Mike Turner and Steve Spencer for their assistance and friendship.

Remember that your career is in your hands and that luck is defined as, "Where preparation meets opportunity." Good luck, God bless and farewell.

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