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### 2003 COAST GUARD ACADEMY SUMMER RECRUITING PROGRAMS

Each year, the Coast Guard Academy hosts two major summer programs - the Academy Introduction Mission (AIM) and the Minority Introduction to Engineering (MITE) program. Approximately 480 high school candidates are selected for these outstanding opportunities to experience cadet life for one week. The programs are both extremely challenging and similar in many ways; MITE participants spend more time with faculty exploring the Academy's technical majors than do AIM participants. Coast Guard dependents and friends are highly encouraged to apply. About thirty percent of last year's Academy class was comprised of AIM and MITE graduates.

The summer 2003 schedule is as follows:

MITE: 6-11 July and 13-18 July

AIM: 19-25 July and 26 July-01 August

The **application deadline for these programs is 15 April**. Applicants must be high school students completing their junior year. Applications and information concerning AIM and MITE can be obtained through the Academy's web site [www.cga.edu/admissions/summerprogramsforjuniors/summerprogramsforjuniors.htm](http://www.cga.edu/admissions/summerprogramsforjuniors/summerprogramsforjuniors.htm)

MITE selections are made by the Academy admissions office on a competitive basis. AIM selections are made by the Auxiliary on behalf of the Academy. Ideally, candidates for both programs have a strong interest in technical studies, demonstrate excellent leadership and time management skills, and embrace the highest standards of personal integrity.

AIM appointments are awarded geographically based on the number of Auxiliary divisions in each district or region. Successful candidates normally come from the upper twenty-five percent of their high school junior class. Candidates are responsible for their own transportation to and from New London, CT and a \$150 fee for meals at the Academy. MITE appointments are awarded on a competitive, nationwide basis. The Academy covers the cost of transportation and meals.

Please give this information the widest possible dissemination. Wherever feasible, pass this along to local high school guidance counselors, and athletic, scouting, and other youth program coordinators, to help us advertise these unique programs.

For questions on the AIM program, please contact the Auxiliary's AIM week coordinator branch chief, Ms. Carol Johnson at [caroljohnson@ameritech.net](mailto:caroljohnson@ameritech.net) (847) 678-0932 or LT Chris McMunn, CG Academy AIM project officer at (860) 701-6781 [cmcmunn@exmail.uscga.edu](mailto:cmcmunn@exmail.uscga.edu). For questions on the MITE program, please contact LT Greg Ferry or Mr. Russ White at 1-800-883-uscg, 1-860-444-8500, [gferry@exmail.uscga.edu](mailto:gferry@exmail.uscga.edu), or [rwhite@exmail.uscga.edu](mailto:rwhite@exmail.uscga.edu), or [cc1nr@aol.com](mailto:cc1nr@aol.com).

A special thanks to the Auxiliary for doubling the AIM program this year!

Regards,

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