

Gulf Of
Alaska Patrol
2015
PART 1



THE BULLDOG



An ALEX HALEY
boarding team heads out
for a fisheries boarding.
(ME1 Kealiinohomoku
and ENS Euchler.)

Editor's Letter

The Arctic patrol of Summer 2015 has come to a close!

August became September abruptly, and upon our exit of the Arctic, we immediately felt the change of pace; 15-18 foot seas attacked ALEX HALEY during our transit south, rocking us soundly, making many sea sick and sending many a cup flying on the mess deck (my own diet coke went airborne and spilled all over me during a roll).

However, we all weathered the nautical beating we took initially and welcomed our next mission of the Summer: a fisheries patrol in the Gulf Of Alaska.

This leg of the patrol has taken us from vessel to vessel, regulating the catch of fishing vessels while also ensuring their safety.

There has been a lot of training going on; ALEX HALEY has undergone a tactical and drill overhaul and ALEX HALEY looks better every day.

Thank you to the families and Ombudsman for the patience with our spotty internet connections (or lack thereof) and the mass release of these newsletters. In the future, this will hopefully be remedied, but until then I thank you all for hanging in there!



OS3 Jesse T. Kristofferson

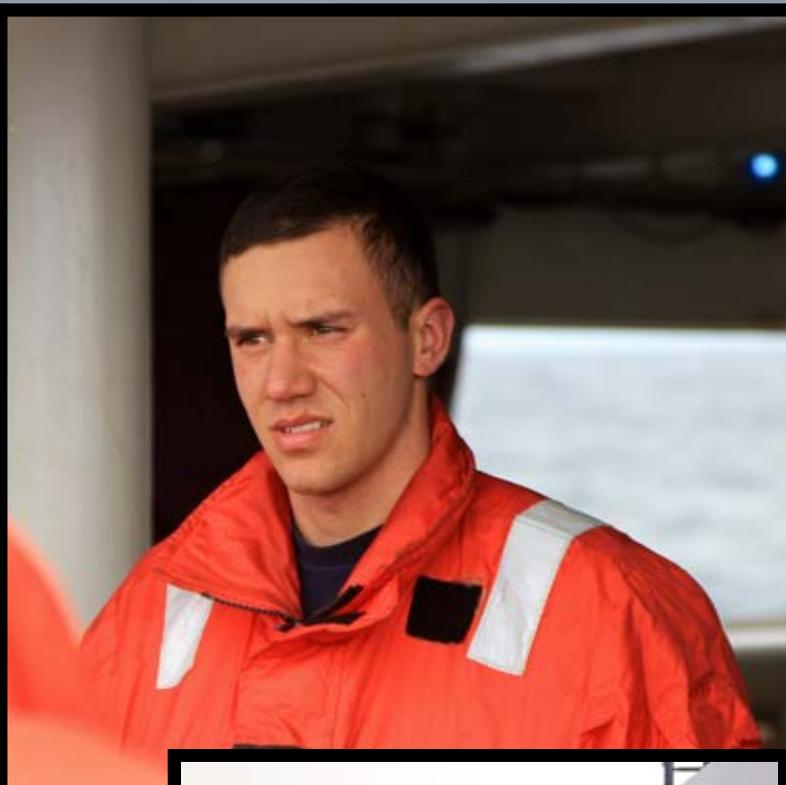
(With AMT2 Brennan LCDR Robinson and LT Belanger from Airsta San Francisco)

Back to Fisheries



ALEX HALEY returned to its primary mission, fisheries enforcement, in The Gulf Of Alaska. The new crew and command did a fantastic job adapting.

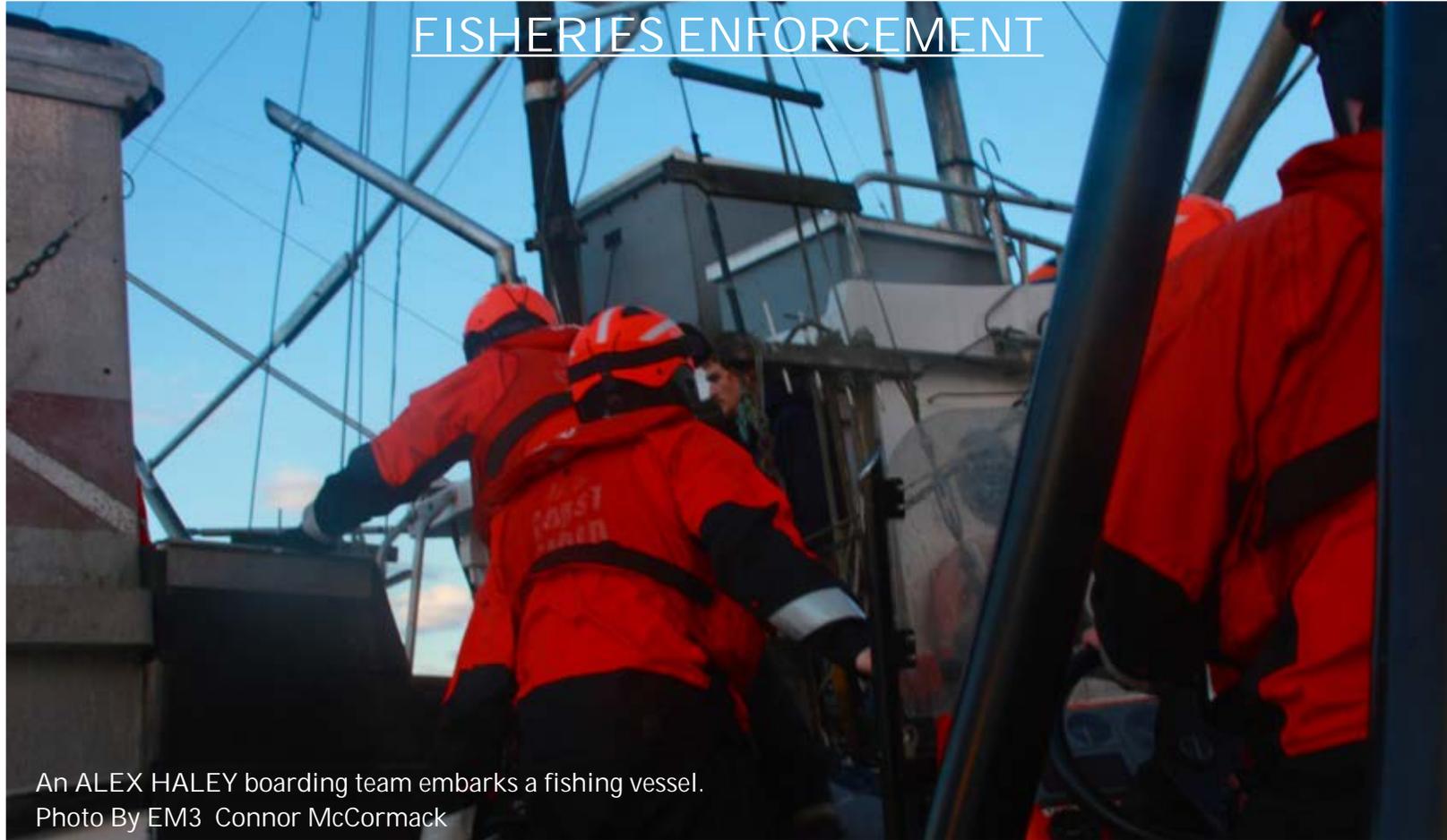
GOOD LUCK TO SN SAMUEL BROWN AND SN JAKOB FAULK
IN THE MIDDLE EAST!!!



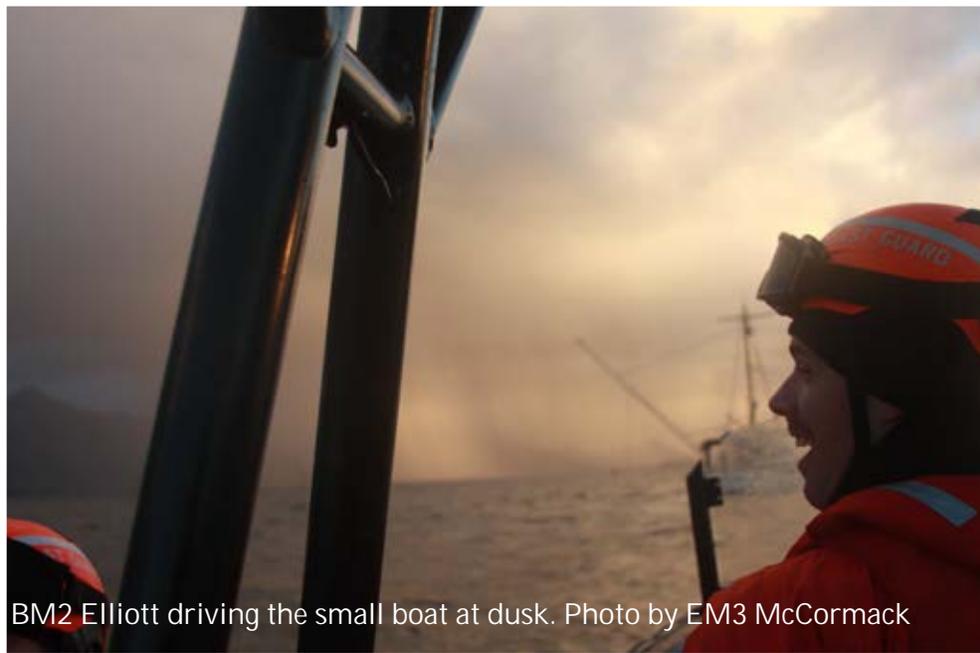
SN Brown, Left, and SN Faulk, Right, have been selected to serve in Bahrain in Patrol Forces South West Asia. Both young men have been outstanding members of ALEX HALEY'S Deck Force.



FISHERIES ENFORCEMENT



An ALEX HALEY boarding team embarks a fishing vessel.
Photo By EM3 Connor McCormack



BM2 Elliott driving the small boat at dusk. Photo by EM3 McCormack



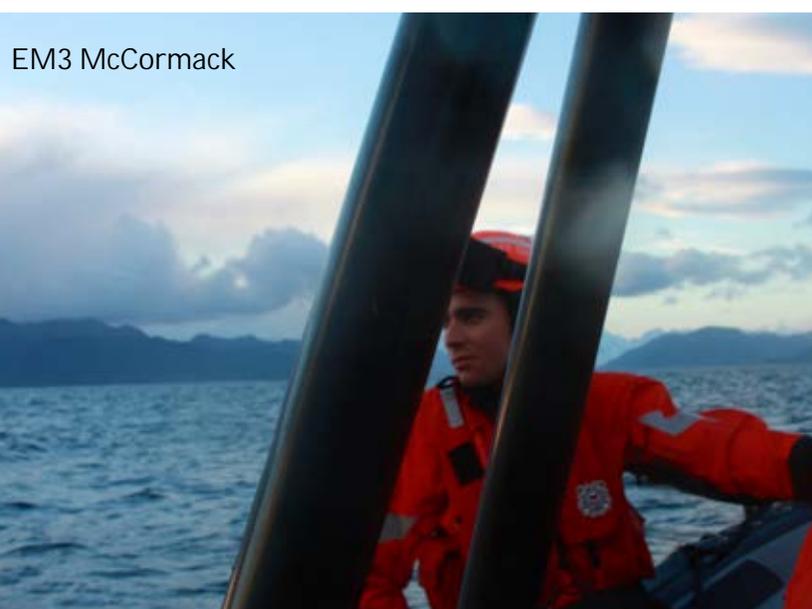
Small boat on a calm Gulf of Alaska morning.



ME1 Brandon Kealiinohomoku, or "ME1 K" came from Honolulu to work with ALEX HALEY's law enforcement teams.



MK2 Rivera
Photo by EM3 McCormack



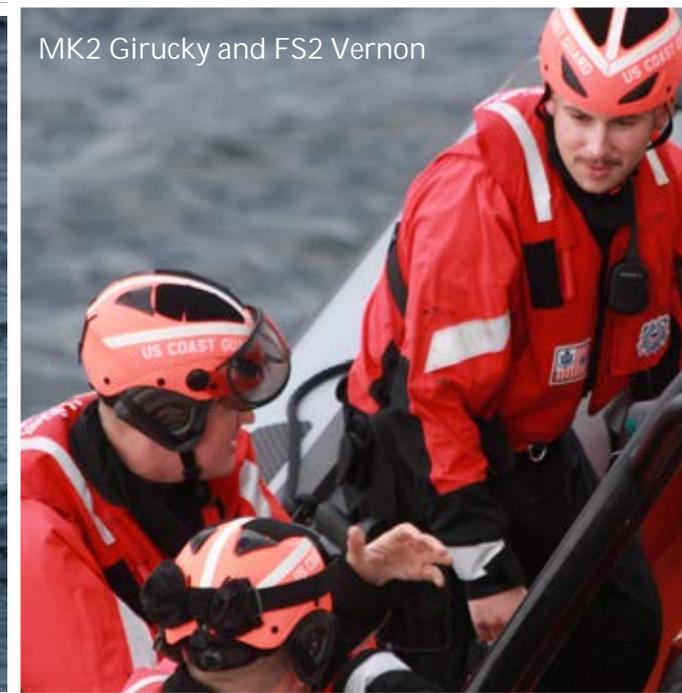
EM3 McCormack



FS2 Vernon



Small boat heads out again! Some days on the patrol, ALEX HALEY conducted upwards of 8 boardings in a single launch.



MK2 Girucky and FS2 Vernon

ADVANCEMENTS



LEFT: Parker Wall advances from BM3 to BM2. RIGHT: Michael Diaz advances from BM3 to BM2.



LEFT: Ashley Geisert advances from SK3 to SK2. Right: Jared Elliott advances from BM3 to BM2.

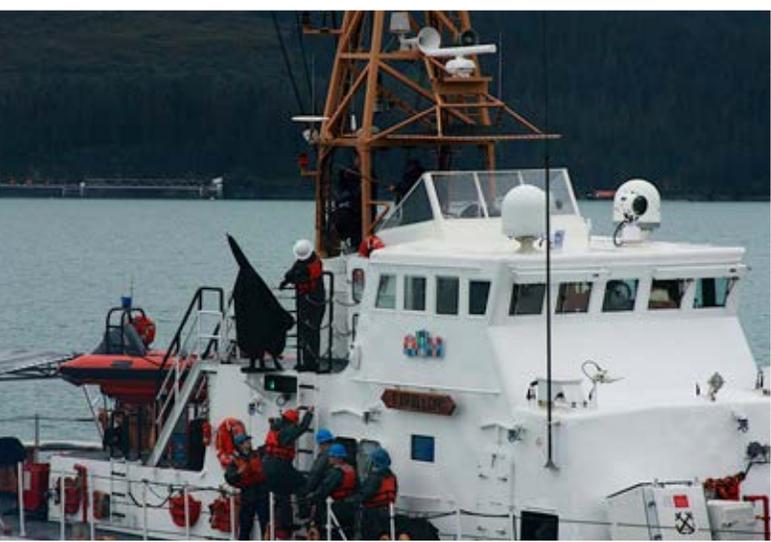


TOWING EXERCISE WITH CGC FARRALON IN VALDEZ, AK

Photos By ENS Joel Hill



LEFT AND RIGHT: GM1 Diedricks fires a line throwing gun during a TOWEX with CGC FARRALON, a Coast Guard Patrol Boat



FARRALON IS TOWED BY ALEX HALEY

ALEX HALEY VISITS GLACIER BAY NATIONAL PARK



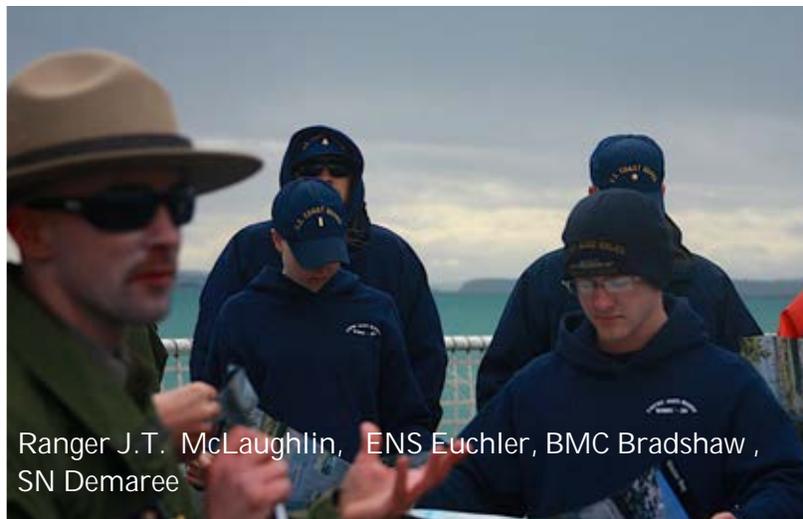
ALEX HALEY cruises through the misty, still waters and mountains of Glacier Bay.



BM2 Elliott, YN1 Fomby, SN Laubmeier and OS3 Black with Park Rangers Jennifer Goucher and Lewis Sharman.



Park Rangers Melanie Berg and Christina Toth



Ranger J.T. McLaughlin, ENS Euchler, BMC Bradshaw, SN Demaree

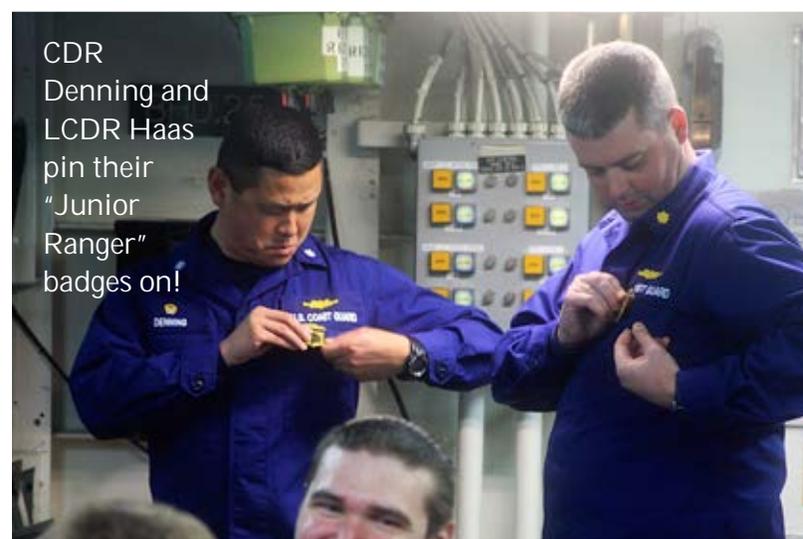


Steller Sea Lions



Fancy seeing you here!

BM3 Blackwell, ENS Saylor, MK3 Nogueira, SK2 Geisert, SN Neaves, ET2 Montgomery, and somebody hiding.



CDR Denning and LCDR Haas pin their "Junior Ranger" badges on!



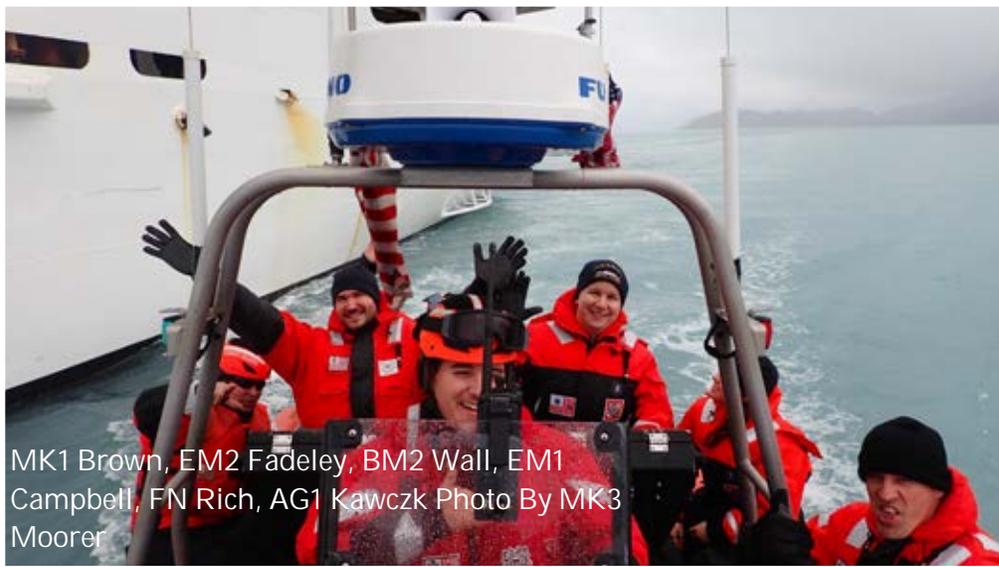
FN Rich enjoying a tour of the Glaciers. Photo By MK3 Myles Moorer

THANK YOU to the Glacier Bay Rangers for showing us this awesome place!





IT1 Godfrey, YN1 Fomby, LCDR Haas, Ranger Jenny Goucher, BM2 Wall, MK3 Moorer, SN Willoughby and SN Parker



MK1 Brown, EM2 Fadeley, BM2 Wall, EM1 Campbell, FN Rich, AG1 Kawczk Photo By MK3 Moorer



A glimpse of the colors and conditions in Glacier Bay.



LT Saldivar spotting mountain goats.



SN Neaves and SN Lauvray engage in a pose/staring contest to see who goes on the first small boat ride. I might have made that up.



ET1 Taylor and Park Ranger Jim Lesh chatting on the flight deck.



SN Stonecipher, SN Gallagher, ET2 Montgomery



BM2 Wall cuddles some ice.



EM2 Fadeley: "LOOK! A GLACIER!"



SN Lauvray tests the waters. Cold?

ALEX HALEY REMEMBERS 9/11

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I was in the seventh grade in Mrs. Jones' reading class. Our Principal came over the intercom and said, "Students and faculty, there is some developing news I need to share with you". That news changed our country forever. The following day, the front page of the Baltimore Sun read in big block letters, "DEVASTATION". Images of the Pentagon burning, the Twin Towers collapsing, and flight 93 being destroyed in that Pennsylvania field are burned in my head forever.

My Grandparents never forgot where they were when Pearl Harbor was attacked and the U.S. entered World War Two, my parents will never forget where they were when they found out that President John F. Kennedy was assassinated, and I will never forget where I was that September day. The ALEX HALEY Leadership and Diversity Council asked everyone this September 11 to take a minute and reflect on where they were that September day.



"I was on watch at LORANSTA Attu, AK." —ETC Raymond Hernandez



"I was in First Grade, school was let out @1100, and I saw my Dad cry for the first time in my life." —FS3 Anna Jackson



"I was 4 years old, watching cartoons with my Mom eating breakfast." —SN Tyler Strouse



"I was U/W on the Boutwell, canceled port call, went for offshore." —FSC Joseph Cleary



"I was in 2nd period Junior year at Bayonne High School in Bayonne, NJ. I left class and went toward the water and watched the whole thing unfold." —MK2 Rico Rivera



"I was 9 years old, came home from school and both my parents were watching the news. I didn't really know what was going on but I knew it was horrible by the looks on my parents' faces." —SK2 Ashley Geisert



"I was in High School in Hawaii; school was still canceled as a result." —OS3 Jesse Kristofferson

"I was in TRACEN Yorktown, VA for MK "A" School." —MK1 Daryl Lirette

"I was on the mess deck of the CGC DEPENDABLE. The ship was recalled and got underway to NYC Harbor for two months." —BMC Brian Cleversey

"I was a Junior in High School. In class they turned on the TV and I watched it live." —GM3 Isaiah Godie

"I was in 3rd grade. They sent us home early and I watched it on the news." —SN Alex Mutchler

"I was at home getting ready for school. I kept asking my mom why the airplanes crashed into the buildings." —SA Adam Spies



"I was on the rec deck, watched it live on the news. USCGC Sherman got U/W to patrol the San Francisco Bay." —BMC Corey Bradshaw



"I was eating breakfast before school. I was ten years old. My step dad ran into the house yelling 'New York is under attack!!!'" —FN John Millman



"I was packing my tuba in 2nd period band; some kids' parents took them out of school. I spent the rest of the day in the band hall watching the news." —EM2 Sean Fadeley



"I was eight years old, at home watching TV when my mother made me change the channel to CNN." —BM2 Michael Diaz



"I was asleep in class." —EM3 Garric Sullivan



"I was at Goff Hall at TRACEN CAPE MAY in company I-160. Our Company Commander told us the news. Three of my shipmates had parents that worked at the Twin Towers and pentagon" —ET1 Brent Taylor

