

**USCGC BERTHOLF (WMSL 750)
COAT OF ARMS**



COLORS: Light blue and silver represent the Coast Guard. Dark blue symbolizes around the clock preparedness for ocean duty in the protection of United States waters and the enforcement of maritime law. Black signifies endurance, while gold denotes excellence and mission accomplishment.

MOTTO: BERTHOLF is the first Legend class cutter; inscribed in gold letters on a dark blue scroll, is the motto of "Legends Begin Here".

SHIELD: The reindeer heads and dogsled recall the rescue operation in which Second Lieutenant Bertholf participated to reach 265 trapped men in ice-locked whaling ships in the Bering Sea. The division on the shield represents the Arctic conditions encountered by the expedition and the eight trapped vessels. The demi-trident signifies authority at sea; the four stars recall Bertholf's appointment as first Commandant of the Coast Guard.

CREST: The revenue cutter BEAR, which carried Bertholf's rescue party to the vicinity of Cape Vancouver, is represented by the silhouette of the ship. Bertholf's later achievements as the first Commandant of the United States Coast Guard are recalled by the crossed anchors of the Coast Guard insignia which symbolize the service's achievements past, present and future.



USCGC BERTHOLF underway for Builder's Trials



Artist Tom Freeman's conception of USCGC BERTHOLF

Welcome Aboard



**United States Coast Guard Cutter
BERTHOLF (WMSL 750)
Alameda, California**

CHARACTERISTICS AND CONFIGURATION



Length:	418 feet
Beam:	54 feet
Displacement:	4,500 long tons
Navigational Draft:	30 feet
Speed:	28 knots
Range:	12,000 nm
Complement:	113 (14 Officers)
Main Machinery:	CODAG (Combined Diesel and Gas) 1 GE LM 2500 Gas Turbine (29,500 HP) 2 MTU V20 1163 Diesel Engines (9, 700 HP each)
Ship's Power:	3 1360 kW Ship Service Diesel Generator Sets
Armament:	1 57mm Bofors Gun 1 Phalanx CIWS 1B 20mm 4 50 Caliber Machine Guns 2 M240B 7.62mm Light Machine Guns
Countermeasures:	2 SRBOC launchers 2 Nulka launchers
Sensors:	EADS 3D TRS-16 Air Search Radar SPQ-9B Fire Control Radar AN/SPS-73 Surface Search Radar AN/SLQ-32
Flight Deck:	50 feet x 80 feet Equipped with dual track Indal ASIST system
Aircraft Capability:	1 HH-60 Jayhawk 2 MH-65C Dolphin 2 SH60 LAMPS
Small Boats:	2 CB-OTH
Website:	1 Short Range Prosecutor (SRP) http://www.uscg.mil/pacarea/bertholf/

BERTHOLF (WMSL 750) HISTORY

Fabrication Began..... September 9, 2004
 Keel Laid..... March 29, 2005
 Launched.....September 29, 2006
 Christened.....November 11, 2006
 Commissioning.....August 4, 2008



Ship's Sponsor, Mrs. Meryl Chertoff christens BERTHOLF.

OUR HERITAGE

USCGC BERTHOLF is named for Commodore Ellsworth Price Bertholf, the Coast Guards First Commandant. Bertholf was born in New York City on April 7, 1866. He entered the Revenue Cutter Service as a cadet, graduated, and was commissioned on June 12, 1889. Bertholf's most notable service was his role in the famous Overland Expedition in 1897. Over 200 whalers became trapped at Point Barrow, AK. Bertholf led the trip via dogsled, along with LT David Jarvis and Dr. Samuel Call, over 1600 miles herding reindeer to feed the starving whalers earning him the Congressional Gold Medal. On June 19, 1911, Bertholf was named the Captain Commandant of the United States Revenue Cutter Service. Bertholf oversaw the combination of the Life-Saving Service with the Revenue Cutter Service to form the U.S. Coast Guard. Bertholf retired as Commandant of the Coast Guard on June 30, 1919 and became a vice-president of the American Bureau of Shipping. He died November 11, 1921 and was laid to rest at Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors.



COMMANDING OFFICER



Captain Stadt was born in Ft. Belvoir, Virginia, and raised in Melbourne, Florida. He graduated from the U. S. Coast Guard Academy with a Bachelors of Science degree in Marine Engineering and was commissioned an Ensign in 1979. Captain Stadt served as Student Engineer on USCGC MIDGETT (WHEC-726), as Engineer Officer on USCGC SHERMAN (WHEC-720), as Executive Officer on USCGC GALLATIN (WHEC-721) and as Commanding Officer on USCGC RUSH (WHEC-723).

Captain Stadt's shore duties include Patrol Boat Branch Chief in the staff of the Seventh District Naval Engineering Office (Miami, FL), High Endurance Cutter Type Desk in the Vessel Support Section of the Maintenance and Logistics Command, Pacific (Alameda, CA), Executive Officer of Naval Engineering Support Unit Miami (Miami, FL), Assistant Chief, Platform Management Division of the Engineering Logistics Center (Baltimore, MD), Maintenance Augmentation Team Study Leader in the Office of Naval Engineering, Coast Guard Headquarters (Washington, DC) and Commanding Officer, Project Resident Office Marinette, Wisconsin. Captain Stadt most recently served as the Deepwater Sponsors' Representative under the Assistant Commandants for Response, for Intelligence, and for Prevention in Coast Guard Headquarters, where he was responsible for the requirements being implemented into all Deepwater assets.

Captain Stadt earned a Master of Science in Engineering in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering and Mechanical Engineering from the University of Michigan in 1987. He is a 1997 graduate of the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Executive Potential Program.

His awards include the Legion of Merit, two Meritorious Service Medals with the Operational Distinguishing Device, four Coast Guard Commendation Medals with the Operational Distinguishing Device, the Coast Guard Achievement Medal, two Commandant's Letter of Commendation ribbons with the Operational Distinguishing Device and a number of other unit, team, and service awards, including the 1995 Lucas Plaque for Naval Engineering Unit Excellence. He is married to Michelle Jennings of Columbus, Ohio.

COMMAND SENIOR CHIEF



BMCS Montague was appointed Command Senior Chief of BERTHOLF on 16 Sep 2006. The Command Senior Chief serves as the senior enlisted advisor to the crew and command of the unit, providing leadership and mentoring to all hands. BMCS Montague is a 22 year CG veteran, has served on 4 ships and came to BERTHOLF from Afloat Training Group Norfolk, VA, where he trained 43 Coast Guard cutter crews during a three year period.