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Admiral Thomas H. Collins Commandant, United States Coast Guard

Honor, Respect, and Devotion to Duty



"We will transform our Coast Guard to meet the demands of the 21st century, confident in the enduring character of our service and strengthened by the core values of honor, respect and devotion to duty." May 30, 2002

To ensure the high level performance America expects and deserves, we will:

- Take affirmative steps to improve current and future **readiness**.
- Place renewed emphasis on the growth, development and well being of Coast Guard **people**.
- Aggressively reinforce our **stewardship** of the public trust.

Readiness.....People.....Stewardship

Coast Guard Magazine Interview with the Commandant

By PA2 Jacquelyn Zettles, G-IPA

Change is upon the Coast Guard. Deepwater is the largest contract for new assets ever awarded in Coast Guard history, with an estimated \$17 billion being spent over the next 20 years. National security has been brought to the forefront of the service's missions since Sept. 11. Greater port safety and security responsibilities include escorting vessels and enforcing safety zones around Navy ships. The wheels of the Coast Guard's traditional missions — search and rescue, drug and migrant interdiction, environmental protection and aids to navigation — continue to spin as well. In addition, President Bush's proposed Department of Homeland Security would mean even more challenges for the Coast Guard, which would merge with other federal agencies under the new department.

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The magnitude of these changes are the greatest ever seen by the Coast Guard, and it is appropriate, for the service is being launched into this sea of change during the formative years of the 21st century. On the brink of so many changes, it is necessary to have a strong and dedicated leader; one who will ensure the success of an already accomplished service at such a critical time in our nation's history. This man, who was nominated by the president and confirmed by the Senate, has already devoted 38 years of his life to the Coast Guard. He served from 2000-2002 as the service's vice commandant, from 1998-2000 as the Coast Guard's Pacific Area and 11th District commander, and from 1996-1998 as the Coast Guard's 14th District commander. He is Adm. Thomas H. Collins, the 22nd commandant of the United States Coast Guard. This is what he had to say about his professional ideals; his new direction that emphasizes readiness, people and stewardship; and his personal goals.

Professional ideals:

CG Mag: What are the characteristics of a good leader?

Collins: Great leaders are great communicators. They set the right priorities, challenge existing conditions, create a workplace environment that rewards teamwork, practice what they preach, push accountability and authority, and put people first.

CG Mag: Who has inspired you throughout your life?

Collins: You don't have to look too far beyond the Coast Guard to find people to really look up to and emulate. My department head at the academy, Ron Wells, was a great mentor, as was Jack Hayes (16th Coast Guard commandant) and Jim Loy (21st Coast Guard commandant). I find inspiration in the historical leaders who really made a mark and a difference in this country like Abe Lincoln, Theodore Roosevelt and FDR.

CG Mag: How have the events of Sept. 11 changed the role of commandant?

Collins: Sept. 11 has changed everyone's role within the government and private sector. It predominates your thinking, strategy and how you allocate resources. Sept. 11 has catapulted to the forefront a certain part of our mission set and made it a priority to rebalance our mission without excluding any of our missions. Failure is not an option.

CG Mag: What is your number one concern coming into this job?

Collins: Homeland security, being ready and living our motto clearly have to be front and center for any service chief. I want to ensure the people are properly equipped, trained and motivated to provide the services the American people expect and deserve from us. We need to maintain current readiness and prepare for future readiness while remembering that people are the most important dimension of getting readiness right.

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Readiness:

CG Mag: Your direction notes the many ways the Coast Guard is ensuring its future readiness. What would you say to a concerned public about the Coast Guard's current readiness, specifically in terms of the safety and security of the nation's ports and waterways?

Collins: Our response has been tremendous, and I think we've done the most with what we have, but we have not solved this by any stretch of the imagination. There are still incredible vulnerabilities in the maritime sector. We are putting our assets and energies to the highest risk areas while building out and improving our capabilities so we can determine and deal with the real risks.

CG Mag: Are there plans to expand the auxiliary and reserve forces to accomplish your readiness goals?

Collins: The reservists and auxiliarists will figure materially in any of our plans. We mobilized 2,800 reservists at one time, and 50 percent of our selected reserves have been mobilized at one time or another. Auxiliarists augmented us in many ways, including administratively. We want to add roles for the auxiliary and figure how they can help really configure units under our homeland security plan.

CG Mag: Does the CG have the money and resources to accomplish its increased homeland security missions in addition to its traditional missions?

Collins: We've received tremendous support from Secretary Mineta. He recognizes the importance of the Coast Guard in all our missions. There will be unprecedented growth in our future budget. We have improved maintenance accounts and have been able to avoid laying up some ships and airplanes that otherwise would have been laid up. We have great support from our supplementals in the fiscal year 02 budget and strong support from the secretary, president and congress in the fiscal year 03 budget.

People:

CG Mag: How will you maintain or increase Coast Guard diversity?

Collins: Diversity is terribly important. The best way to stimulate innovation with positive change is to have a different set of eyes and different viewpoints, whether it's a racial, gender or education perspective. We need to do more

of the same to increase diversity. We need to be active in recruiting geographically and across different ethnic, cultural, racial and educational backgrounds.

CG Mag: What qualities do you possess that will help you reach and connect with such a diverse workforce?

Collins: I listen well, am tolerant, and I crave different ideas. I like people to think crazy - not stupid, but crazy. I challenge convention and the status quo. I also have two daughters. I'm outnumbered in a diverse household.

CG Mag: In your opinion, what are the greatest challenges the younger Coast Guard generation faces? What do you propose to do to alleviate some of the challenges?

Collins: Let me start off by saying I'm terribly impressed by the young Coast Guard generation. They are a knock-your-socks-off group of people. They're smart and they want to know the conflicts that are out there. They also want to understand how they fit in. The challenge is for seniors to communicate the big picture. The young people need to have the ability in today's world to manage and balance personal, professional and family goals. There is so much opportunity and desire to make a contribution, but there are real obligations at home. I've got to work to reduce the burden where a Coast Guard program can do that. We can also be mentors to them and provide an atmosphere that has a work environment with supervisors and leaders who are concerned about where that individual is in his or her personal and professional life and can provide some guidance and support to enhance that.

CG Mag: How will you further education, training and professional growth?

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Blast from the past....



The logo of the U.S. Coast Guard's Corsair Fleet during WWII as drawn by Walt Disney

Source: CG Historian web site

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Collins: One of our objectives is to become a learning organization, and we're going to ensure budget decisions we make contribute to that goal. By investing in training, education and the professional development of our people, we are being a little selfish because people who belong to a learning organization will perform better, and we'll get a better outcome. To further education and training, we have partnered with the Department of Defense to create opportunities. There's also opportunity to get non-appropriated funds. The Coast Guard Foundation has expanded their scholarship programs and e-learning opportunities are growing.

CG Mag: What can people expect in terms of pay and quality of life in general?

Collins: We want to ensure as pay compensation goes up in DOD we at least have equivalency in pay and compensation such as medical, BAH and Tri-care for dependents. We will also look at various options in the private sector so there is less out-of-pocket expense for housing.

Stewardship:

CG Mag: What role do junior enlisted personnel play in regard to stewardship?

Collins: This is an important opportunity to clarify stewardship as it applies to different levels of the organization. For our young people, stewardship means caring for what you've got, planning for what you need, developing public trust and having a concern for public interest and sharing resources. We can practice stewardship at all levels. The person who has to manage the small boat station and decide how he or she spends his or her time on a particular patrol or tasking to get the best operational outcome is exercising stewardship. The person who knows how to manage inventory and a budget to order things, but doesn't overspend and waste is exercising good stewardship. If you live our core values, you are exercising good stewardship.

CG Mag: How will Deepwater directly affect our service and people?

Collins: Deepwater will change the basic fundamental processes we use. How we assign, train and deploy people as well as our doctrine, tactics, logistics and personnel policies will all materially change with Deepwater. We will be able to analyze, acquire and disseminate information across the right platforms and systems, and that's the greatest leap forward. Deepwater will give us the capability we need.

Personal Goals:

CG Mag: What do you hope will define your watch?

Collins: If we get Deepwater right, build our homeland security and enhance security in the maritime sector, and we do it by being caring and committed to the well being of our people — if we can do those three things at the end of four years, we're doing pretty good.

And at the start of that four-year legacy the admiral is off to a busy start. During his first month as commandant, Collins visited all the Coast Guard training centers to unveil his "people" initiatives for the upcoming fiscal year. That first month also saw the Deepwater contract awarded after years of planning. It is uncertain what the next four years will hold for the Coast Guard, but what is certain is that under Collins many changes are to come that will set the stage for the future of the service.

Congress Passes Coast Guard Authorization Act, Homeland Security Measure

In June 2002 President Bush proposed the creation of a new Department of Homeland Security, and forwarded to the Congress a draft bill to implement this change. After debate and negotiations between the White House and Congress, the DHS bill was passed on November 19th. The President's plan, signed into law on 25 November, provides for greater accountability and unity of purpose for homeland security matters. The Coast Guard, as one of 22 existing federal agencies transferring to the new Department, will contribute 26% of the new Department's personnel and make up 19% of its total budget. Specific Coast Guard-related provisions of the bill include:

The Coast Guard will move to the new Department intact as a distinct entity, and will retain our Military, Multi-mission, Maritime qualities.

- The Commandant will report directly to the Secretary of Homeland Security.
 - As is the current law, in time of war or at the direction of the President, the Coast Guard will be available for transfer to the Department of the Navy.
 - The bill contains language that specifically preserves the wide range of current Coast Guard missions as well as Coast Guard assets.
 - The Secretary of Homeland Security has *up to* 60 days from enactment to submit a transition plan to the Congress and may start moving agencies to the new department *not less* than 90 days after submission.
- The Commandant is committed to supporting the President's vision to improve homeland security and in ensuring the Coast Guard is a vital part of the new department.
- Passage of the DHS bill marks a significant milestone in the history of the U.S. Coast Guard.
- A Coast Guard transition team is already in place and will play a key role in the establishment and operations of DHS.
- The Coast Guard will work extremely closely with DOT, other agencies, and the new Department to ensure a smooth, efficient and seamless transition.
- The Coast Guard will retain our full range of missions, including service with the Navy and DoD.
- In DHS, the Coast Guard will best be able to provide effective and efficient maritime homeland defense for the nation.
- Today's Coast Guard is part of the intelligence community, a branch of the military, a law enforcement agency, a transportation safety and security agency, an emergency response agency, and a local first responder.
- Broad legal authorities and flexible shore, surface and aviation capabilities allow the Coast Guard to provide effective response across the broad spectrum of maritime operations.
- The transition to DHS does not end our important relationship with DOT as we will maintain enduring relationships for transportation and maritime safety responsibilities.

Florida-based units contribute to third largest annual Coast Guard cocaine seizure total on record

The U.S. Coast Guard's Seventh District and Florida-based units were involved in seizing more than 98,003 pounds of narcotics, about 62 percent of total seizures in the last year by the Coast Guard. This year's drug seizures are the third largest on record for the Coast Guard.



For fiscal year 2002 - October 1, 2001 - September 30, 2002 - The Coast Guard seized 117,280 pounds of cocaine and nearly 40,000 pounds of marijuana. This equates to \$3.9 billion in illegal drugs of taken off America's streets. This year's seizures has put the amount of confiscated cocaine in the last four years at more than 500,000 pounds, valued at over \$16 billion, roughly the Gross Domestic Product of Honduras.

"The success that we continue to have in this district is directly related to the daily partnering that happens between us, Drug Enforcement Agency, U.S. Customs Service, the Dept of Defense, and state and local law enforcement," said Adm. Jay Carmichael, commander of the Seventh Coast Guard District. "The Coast Guard is one of many federal, state and local agencies that make up our country's dedicated Counter-narcotics team."

Leading Florida based units were Law Enforcement Detachment Teams (LEDETS) from Tactical Law Enforcement Team (TACLET) South in Miami, making 12 busts that accounted for 53,215 pounds of illegal narcotics. Their largest interdiction this year was the seizure of the Colombian fishing vessel *Paulo* carrying 25,300 pounds of cocaine south of the Galapagos Islands by LEDET 404.

LEDETs are specially trained Coast Guard law enforcement teams that regularly deploy aboard U.S. Naval, United Kingdom, and Dutch military ships to conduct counter narcotics patrols in the Caribbean and Eastern Pacific. LEDETs also help enforce U.N. sanctions against Iraq in the Persian Gulf and have been deploying aboard 13 Navy patrol boats assigned to the Coast Guard for maritime homeland security duties along the Eastern Seaboard and Gulf of Mexico since November.

"Our partnership with the U.S. Navy and allied forces is critical to our continued success in protecting America and keeping it safe, whether that be from the threat of illegal drugs or from the threat of terrorism," said Vice Adm. James D. Hull, Atlantic Area Commander. "The success of our LEDETs in making cocaine seizures this year is a clear sign of our ability to work hand-in-hand with the Navy in keeping illegal drugs from reaching our shores."

Seizure totals made by units operating in the waters of the Seventh Coast Guard District totaled more than 35,000 pounds. Included in this total are the Miami and Key West-based cutters. Most recently of note is the *Chandeleur's* 2,000-pound marijuana bust east of the Bahamas on September 11 where smugglers tried to destroy the drugs by setting their vessel on fire.

"We are pleased that we continue to stop illegal narcotics from reaching the streets of America. By preventing these drugs from reaching land, we not only deliver a damaging blow to the smugglers, we also save lives of those who could be potentially harmed by these drugs," said Capt. Wayne Justice, chief of law enforcement for the Seventh Coast Guard District. "As a life-saving and law enforcement agency every drug bust we make is a twofold victory."

Coast Guard armed helicopters from Jacksonville, Fla., working in conjunction with high-speed "over-the-horizon" boats to stop drug smugglers saw continued success as well. In five engagements during FY02, these interdiction helicopters and boats stopped all five smuggling vessels they encountered and seized 16,039 pounds of cocaine and 3,350 pounds of marijuana.

"Now more than ever, Americans are aware of the threat posed by international criminals smuggling dangerous substances across our borders," said John Walters, director of National Drug Control Policy. "The Coast Guard should be commended for rising so ably to the challenges of the past year. Every load of illicit drugs they seize represents that much less that can be used to poison our young people and harm our nation. The U.S. Coast Guard is saving lives every day," he said.



Entering the new fiscal year the Seventh District continues to successfully execute its counter-narcotics mission, already tallying three seizures.

A Coast Guard LEDET, along with the help of the Dutch Navy, and a British warship, in cooperation with the Venezuelan government seized approximately 1,144 pounds of cocaine from a Venezuelan fishing vessel 84 miles

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south of St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands Oct. 7.

The cutter *Staten Island*, home ported in Atlantic Beach, N.C., interdicted more than 1,000 pounds of marijuana from a boat about 30 miles off the coast of Miami.

The DEA's Operation Bahamas, Turks and Caicos (OPBAT) and the cutter *Manitou* teamed up to recover more than 60 bales of marijuana believed to weigh approximately 4,000 pounds.

Source: CG Web

TAX

[I] shall never use profanity except in discussing house rent and taxes. Indeed, upon second thought, I will not even use it then, for it is unchristian, inelegant, and degrading--though to speak truly I do not see how house rent and taxes are going to be discussed worth a cent without it.

- "Two Mark Twain Editorials," *Europe and Elsewhere*



With the new year, you may want to take a few minutes to make sure what is being withheld from your paycheck matches your actual 2003 tax liability.

If you're having too much tax withheld, that's money you can't use until you get your refund. If you're not having enough withheld, you will owe tax at the end of the year, and you may even have to pay a penalty. Generally, a penalty will apply if your withholding and estimated tax payments total less than 90 percent of your current year's tax liability and less than 100 percent of the previous year's tax.

But if you act now, you'll still have time to get on track with your withholding and avoid any unforeseen tax surprises next year. You should pay particular attention to your withholding if you received a big refund check this year or if you had to make a tax payment that was more than you could comfortably pay.

Also check your withholding if you had a significant change

in your life this year, like marriage, divorce, birth or adoption of a child, purchase or sale of a home, or retirement. And there is a good chance you're not having enough withheld if you have more than one job, your spouse works, you have income not subject to withholding, such as rent, dividends, interest or capital gains, or you owe other taxes like self-employment or household employment taxes.

You can adjust the amount withheld from your paycheck by giving your employer and/or HRSIC (RAS) a new Form W-4, Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate. Or you may need to pay estimated taxes using Form 1040-ES, Estimated Tax for Individuals .

Need help in figuring out whether you are withholding enough? Look at Publication 919, How Do I Adjust My Tax Withholding?

So go ahead and get on track with your withholding. It makes good financial sense.

Refinanced Your Home Mortgage?

If you are one of thousands who locked into a lower home mortgage interest rate, then you've hit the savings jackpot! Besides getting one of the lowest rates in decades, you may be able to deduct some of the refinancing costs when you file your 2002 tax return.

The "points" paid to get a home mortgage may be deductible as mortgage interest when you itemize on Form 1040's Schedule A. Points paid to get an original home mortgage may be fully deductible in the year paid. However, points paid solely to refinance a home mortgage usually must be deducted over the life of the loan.

For a refinanced mortgage, you figure the interest deduction by dividing the points paid by the number of payments you will make over the life of the loan. You may deduct points only for those payments made in the tax year. Say you paid \$2,000 in points and you will make 360 payments on a 30-year mortgage. You could deduct \$5.56 per monthly payment, or a total of \$66.72 if you made 12 payments in one year.

If you used part of the refinanced mortgage money to finance improvements to your home and if you meet certain other requirements, the points associated with the home improvements may be fully deductible in the year the points were paid. Also, if you are refinancing a mortgage for a second time, the balance of points paid for the first refinanced mortgage may be fully deductible at pay off.

Other closing costs – such as appraisal fees and other non-

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interest fees – generally are not deductible. And the amount of your adjusted gross income could affect the amount of deductions you can take.

Any way you look at it, between the lower interest rates and the tax savings, that's money you can take to the bank.

For more information on deductions related to refinancing, check out the following:

Publication 936 , Home Mortgage Interest Deduction

Publication 523 , Selling Your Home

Publication 527 , Residential Rental Property

Publication 530 , Tax Information for First-Time Homeowners

www.irs.gov



HIPAA, TRICARE, And Your Rights To Privacy

As a beneficiary of the Department of Defense Military Health System (MHS) and TRICARE, one of the basic rights that you have, aside from the right to receive quality health care, is the right to keep private your health care information. The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996 established health care standards or "privacy rules" that all U. S. military and civilian health care providers, hospitals and organizations are required to follow to protect the privacy of health care information from unauthorized disclosure or use. TRICARE will implement the new privacy rules on April 14, 2003.

Under HIPAA privacy rules, the MHS is required to inform you about how your personal health care information is used, provide guidance on your privacy rights, and limit use and disclosure of your personal health care information to the minimum required. To increase beneficiary awareness regarding these new privacy rules, beginning in November 2002, a copy of the MHS Notice of Privacy Practices will be sent to each TRICARE sponsor listed as eligible in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System. Beneficiaries will be asked to acknowledge receipt of this privacy notice during their first scheduled appointment after April 14th at their local military treatment facility (MTF).

"The MHS has always had privacy and patient confidentiality standards in place to limit unauthorized access or disclosure of personal health care information," said Navy Cmdr. Sam Jenkins, HIPAA Privacy Project Officer, TRICARE Management Activity.

"These new privacy rules provide TRICARE beneficiaries with additional safeguards for ensuring their health care information is adequately protected and appropriately used by the MHS and TRICARE to provide quality patient care," Jenkins said. Permissible uses of health care information include treatment, payment for services provided and operations such as patient billing or appointment scheduling.

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Under the privacy rules, you have the right to receive a notice of MHS privacy practices from the MTF; access, review and receive a copy of your personal medical record or health care information on file at the MTF; request a change or correct an error in your medical record; know how, when and to whom your medical information is disclosed; file a grievance with the MTF regarding a privacy concern; and finally, provide written instructions on your personal preferences regarding use and disclosure of your personal health information.

Your personal health care information may be disclosed to other health care providers such as specialists, pharmacists, or laboratory technicians who, at the request of your primary care manager, may need access to your private health care information to provide you with optimal care.

MTFs may not share your personal health care information with outside sources for marketing, health care research, or any other reason without your knowledge and written consent.

Privacy officers are located at every MTF and serve as beneficiary advocates for privacy issues and will respond to inquiries from TRICARE beneficiaries who may have questions or concerns regarding personal health care information or the new privacy rules. Privacy officers will ensure that private health care information remains accessible to beneficiaries and their providers and protected from unauthorized access.

Beneficiaries who have questions or concerns regarding their privacy rights may contact their local MTF privacy officer for assistance. A copy of the MHS Notice of Privacy Practices is available on the TRICARE Web site at <http://www.tricare.osd.mil/hipaa>. Additional information on TRICARE and the HIPAA privacy rules is available at this site.

SOURCE: TRICARE News Release at <http://www.tricare.osd.mil>

TRICARE Management Activity National Toll Free Numbers

Hours of operation for the following phone numbers are 9 AM to 7 PM EST Monday through Friday, 11AM to 4 PM Saturday.

Note: Some telephone numbers have prefixes other than 800. To avoid misdialed calls when dialing, please pay special attention to those prefixes (in bold) that do not contain 800 within the number.

Senior Pharmacy Program

1.877.DOD.MEDS (1.877.363.6337)

TRICARE For Life

1.888.DOD.LIFE (1.888.363.5433)

1.866.DOD.LIFE (1.866.363.5433-Spanish)

Other National Toll Free Numbers

For hours of operation for each of these numbers, click on the name of the plan or program. (Exception: MMSO is 24 hours.)

TRICARE Retiree Dental Plan - Delta Dental

1.888.838.8737

TRICARE Dental Program (TDP) - United Concordia

1.800.866.8499

National Mail Order Pharmacy - Merck Medco

1.800.903.4680

Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting Systems (DEERS)

1.800.538.9552

Regional Toll Free Numbers

The following numbers are operational 24 hours.

Northeast (1)	1.888.999.5195
Mid-Atlantic (2)	1.800.931.9501
Southeast (3)	1.800.444.5445
Gulfsouth (4)	1.800.444.5445
Heartland (5)	1.800.941.4501
Southwest (6)	1.800.406.2832
Central (7/8)	1.888.874.9378
Southern California (9)	1.800.242.6788
Golden Gate (10)	1.800.242.6788
Northwest (11)	1.800.404.2042
Alaska (11)	1.800.242.6788
TRICARE Pacific	1.800.242.6788
Hawaii	1.888.777.8343
WESTPAC	1.888.777.8343
Latin America & Canada	1.888.777.8343
Puerto Rico & Virgin Islands	1.888.777.8343
Europe	1.888.777.8343

Source www.tricare.osd.mil

TRICARE Standard Diagnosis-Related Group (DRG) Cost Increase

The daily (DRG) rate for most civilian non-mental health hospital admissions increased to \$417, up from \$414 last year. The rate increase applies only to retirees, their families and survivors who use TRICARE Standard. These beneficiaries either pay the fixed daily rate of \$417, or a cost share of 25 percent of the hospital's billed charges whichever is less. They also pay 25 percent of the allowable charge for separately billed professional services. There is no DRG rate increase for beneficiaries who use a TRICARE network facility under TRICARE Extra. Rates for inpatient mental health care or a substance-use disorder will increase from \$154 to \$159 per day for retirees, their families and survivors who use TRICARE Standard. They also pay 25 percent of the allowable charge for separately billed professional services. The inpatient mental health rate is unchanged for family members of active duty service members, military retirees, their families and survivors in TRICARE Prime and Extra.

For more information about DRG payments, contact the nearest Beneficiary Counseling and Assistance Coordinator (BCAC). A BCAC directory is at <http://www.tricare.osd.mil/BCACDirectory.htm> or you can see a customer service representative at the nearest TRICARE service center. An online directory is at <http://www.tricare.osd.mil/tricare-servicecenters/default.cfm>.

[Source: NAUS
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Layman's Guide To Medical Terminology...

ARTERY	- THE STUDY OF FINE PAINTING
BARIUM	- WHAT YOU DO WHEN A PATIENT DIES
BENIGN	- WHAT YOU ARE AFTER YOU ARE EIGHT
CESAREAN SECTION	- A DISTRICT IN ROME
COLIC	- A SHEEP DOG
CONGENITAL	- FRIENDLY
DILATE	- TO LIVE LONG
FESTER	- QUICKER
G. I. SERIES	- BASEBALL GAME BETWEEN SOLDIERS
HANGNAIL	- COAT HOOK
MEDICAL STAFF	- A DOCTOR'S CANE
MINOR OPERATION	- COAL DIGGING
MORBID	- A HIGHER OFFER
NITRATE	- LOWER THAN A DAY RATE
NODE	- WAS AWARE OF
ORGANIC	- CHURCH MUSICIAN
OUT PATIENT	- A PERSON WHO HAS FAINTED
POST-OPERATIVE	- A LETTER CARRIER
PROTEIN	- IN FAVOR OF YOUNG PEOPLE
SECRETION	- HIDING ANYTHING
SEROLOGY	- STUDY OF ENGLISH KNIGHTHOOD
TABLET	- A SMALL TABLE
TUMOR	- AN EXTRA PAIR
URINE	- OPPOSITE OF YOU'RE OUT
VARICOSE VEINS	- VEINS VERY CLOSE TOGETHER



A soulmate is someone who has locks that fit our keys, and keys to fit our locks. When we feel safe enough to open the locks, our truest selves step out and we can be completely and honestly who we are; we can be loved for who we are and not for who we're pretending to be. Each unveils the best part of the other. No matter what else goes wrong around us, with that one person we're safe in our own paradise. Our soulmate is someone who shares our deepest longings, our sense of direction. When we're two balloons, and together our direction is up, chances are we've found the right person. Our soulmate is the one who makes life come to life.

Richard Bach, *The Bridge Across Forever*



NAUTICAL TRIVIA



Brass Monkey

The old days of fighting sail employed boys as 'powder monkeys' to bring up cannon balls and bags of gunpowder from the ship's magazines during a battle. Next to the gun, close towards its muzzle end, rested a device known as a 'brass monkey', which consisted of 3 bowls made of brass and brazed or welded together. Its purpose was to hold 3 cannon balls available for instant use as a reload during a battle, or what we would now call ready ammunition.

Breech

Middle English - from 'broc' or leg-covering. The plural form was 'breeches' or pants, usually referring to the critical area of the body where the pants covered. It was soon used when referring to the bottom half of any object, such as a cask, beam, gun, or man.

Close Quarters

Sometimes also referred to as 'closed quarters' as well. The quarters aboard ship, especially those for officers and passengers, had wooden partitions or bulkheads dividing them. Also, many ships had pre-assembled partitions which could further sub-divide the interior, according to the cargo or passenger requirements. In case of enemy action, these could be quickly assembled, pierced by loopholes, and then be used by firearms, pikes and cutlasses to fight through. The defenders would thus be well-protected and dangerous opponents to anyone who went below decks. It was a very effective means of fighting off boarders.



Concurrent Receipt for Disabled Veterans

The House and Senate have passed the NDAA (H.R. 4546) Concurrent Receipt Provision. Following is the Uniformed Services Disabled Retirees [USDR] report of what took place:

"House and Senate Armed Services Committee leaders, fearful of a veto that could kill the whole FY2003 Defense Authorization Act, convinced the Administration to accept a reduced package focused on retirees with disabilities due to combat, combat-oriented training or certain other hazard-related circumstances. Committee leaders believe they had little choice in taking what they saw as the only possible route to any progress on concurrent receipt THIS YEAR. In essence, the deal establishes a new form of "special compensation" for certain disabled retirees who have at least 20 years of active duty or a combination of active duty time and reserve points comprising the equivalent of 20 years of full-time active duty. Unfortunately, very few Reserve retirees qualify under this strict criterion.

The amount of the special compensation will be the full amount of retired pay forfeited due to receipt of VA compensation for a qualifying disability. Unlike the special compensation already in law (which provides \$50 to \$325 per month for certain severely disabled retirees), the new version will not be capped at a specific dollar amount, and will rise each year as the offset rises. Unlike the current \$50 to \$325 special compensation, which requires that a qualifying disability must have occurred within 4 years after retirement, eligibility for the new version will not be restricted by any time limit. Qualifying members will be eligible to receive either the "new" or the "old" special compensation amount, whichever is higher. The effective date for the new program will be six months from the date the President signs the Defense Authorization Act into law, so the effective date should be sometime in May 2003. The six-month delay will allow the Pentagon time to determine which retirees and which disabilities qualify for the new payments and establish application procedures. The language passed by the House indicates qualifying retirees WILL HAVE TO APPLY for the new special compensation. There will be no phase-in or ramp-up period. Qualifying payments will be paid as of the effective date.

There are two sets of qualifying disabilities, one more complicated than the other. On the simple side, any qualifying retiree with a

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disability rating of 10% or higher that is associated with award of a Purple Heart will be eligible for the new special compensation. Under this rule, the special compensation amount will be based on the disability rating awarded for the combat wound, rather than any higher rating the retiree may have been awarded for a different reason. The other, more complicated, eligibility rule covers retirees awarded Disability ratings of 60% or higher for other illnesses/injuries attributable to combat situations, combat-oriented training, hazardous duty, or instrumentalities of war. The legislators based these categories on the Defense Department's current definition of "combat-related" disabilities, as described in DOD Instruction 1332.38. The following is a summary of the descriptions in that Instruction, which presumably will be used to guide DOD eligibility, decisions for the new program.

** Direct result of armed conflict: including a war, expedition, occupation of an area or territory, battle, skirmish, raid, invasion, rebellion, insurrection, guerrilla action, riot, or any other action in which Service members are engaged with a hostile or belligerent nation, faction, force, or terrorists.

** While engaged in hazardous service: including, but not limited to, aerial flight duty, parachute duty, demolition duty, experimental stress duty, and diving duty.

** Under conditions simulating war: resulting from military training, such as war games, practice alerts, tactical exercises, airborne operations, leadership reaction courses, grenade and live fire weapons practice, bayonet training, hand-to-hand combat training, rappelling, and negotiation of combat confidence and obstacle courses (does not include physical training activities, such as calisthenics and jogging or formation running and supervised sports).

** Caused by instrumentality of war (incidence during a period of war is not required): includes such causes as wounds caused by a military weapon, accidents involving a combat vehicle, injury or sickness caused by fumes, gases, or explosion of military ordnance, vehicles or material. (i.e. DOD example - an injury resulting from a fall on the deck of a ship while participating in sports would not normally be covered, since the sport activity, not the ship, caused the fall. But it would be covered if the operation of the ship caused the fall.)

Clearly, these guidelines allow for some judgment, so it's uncertain how many people may qualify. Different Hill sources have offered estimates ranging from 10,000 to 30,000 eligible retirees, with cost estimates ranging from \$4 billion to \$9 billion over 10 years. The new Defense Authorization Act specifies that the Pentagon will be responsible for applying the above criteria to determine which VA disability awards qualify for the special compensation.

Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment *If you have a service connected disability, you may be eligible for this benefit. 1-800-827-1000*

Home Loans *Information for the home buying veteran. 1-800-827-1000*

Compensation and Pension *Information on Service Connected Disability Compensation, Survivors' Benefits, Non-Service Connected Disability Compensation. 1-800-827-1000*

Life Insurance *Information on VA Life Insurance. 1-800-669-8477*

Burial Benefits *Information on the VA's National Cemetery System. (National Cemetery Administration)
1-800-827-1000*

Hospital and Medical Benefits *Information on VA Medical Benefits. 1-877-222-8387*

Veterans Benefits Administration Home Page

www.va.gov



NOAA SENDS OIL SPILL EXPERTS TO SPAIN Team Advises on Oil Spill Response & Restoration



November 25, 2002 — At the request of the Spanish government, NOAA will send four oil spill response experts to help predict the movement of the oil slicks and advise on methods of cleaning Spain's northwest coastline in the aftermath of the Prestige tanker spill. NOAA is the lead U.S. science agency for oil spill response and restoration with experts who provide technical assistance on environmental and economic impacts from catastrophic spills. NOAA assisted in the clean up efforts in the Exxon Valdez oil spill and those of the Gulf War. The multi-disciplinary team of NOAA scientists will arrive in Spain on Wednesday, Nov. 27, to work with the Spanish Maritime Safety Agency. Three from the NOAA National Ocean Service's Office of Response and Restoration will be joined by a NOAA Fisheries scientist to provide assistance in the following areas:

- Forecast oil spill fate and trajectory.
 - Shoreline clean up by environmentally protective means.
 - Restoration options for natural resources.
 - Long-term recovery monitoring of oiled coastline.
 - Fisheries management and contaminant expertise.
 - Managing seafood health issues.
 - Environmental injury assessment.
 - Assess economic damages and natural resource injuries.



(NOAA image of Argo Merchant, which ran aground off Nantucket, Mass., on Dec. 15, 1976 spilling its oil cargo and causing a slick about 100 miles (160 km) long and more than 60 miles (97 km) wide. On December 21, the Argo Merchant broke apart and spilled its entire cargo of 7.7 million gallons of No. 6 fuel oil.)

“Our ability to respond quickly and professionally in this type of disaster is a hallmark of this agency,” said retired Navy Vice Adm. Conrad C. Lautenbacher, Ph.D., undersecretary of commerce for oceans and atmosphere and NOAA administrator. “I’m pleased that NOAA experts can provide assistance to the government of Spain and its coastal communities.”

Upon arrival NOAA personnel will meet with officials from the Spanish Maritime Safety Agency and receive detailed status reports. Following those briefings NOAA will commence a series of overflights and coastal surveys of the affected areas. “Our team is looking forward to working with their Spanish counterparts,” said Dave Kennedy, director of the NOAA Office of Response and Restoration, and lead responder to the Exxon Valdez spill. “We have significant experience in oil spill modeling and observation, assessing shoreline and beach terrain, determining the petroleum product characteristics, and the ability to evaluate the impact to the region’s fisheries. All of these skills will prove helpful in assisting Spanish officials deal with this spill,” added Kennedy.

NOAA responds to more than 100 hazardous materials and oil spills every year. During an incident in a coastal area, scientists from the NOAA Office of Response and Restoration determine what type of product was spilled, where will the product go and what will it impact, and finally how can the effects of the spill be reduced. On scene coordinators lead the response, calling on NOAA experts at OR&R’s office in Seattle, who provide oil and chemical trajectory estimates, chemical hazards analysis and assessments of risks to coastal animals and habitats.

NOAA studies the Earth’s natural systems in order to predict environmental change, manage ocean resources, protect life and property, and provide decision makers with reliable scientific information. The agency’s goals and programs reflect a commitment to these basic responsibilities of science and service to the nation for 32 years. NOAA is an agency of the Commerce Department.

NOAA is dedicated to enhancing economic security and national safety through the prediction and research of weather and climate related events and providing environmental stewardship of the nation’s coastal and marine resources.

EL NIÑO SUPPRESSED HURRICANES IN 2002 SEASON, NOAA REPORTS

Lili Was First Land-falling Hurricane In Three Years

November 25, 2002 — The 2002 Atlantic hurricane season that officially ends Nov. 30, produced only four hurricanes due to a strengthening El Niño, said NOAA hurricane specialists. However, twice the normal number of storm systems (eight) affected the nation, bringing storm surge and severe weather and rain to the nation, including Hurricane Lili, the first land-falling hurricane to strike the United States since the 1999 Hurricane Season. "A strengthening El Niño suppressed the numbers of hurricanes and weakened storms," said retired Air Force Brig. Gen. Jack Kelly, director of the NOAA National Weather Service. "Thanks to El Niño's influence, we experienced only four hurricanes—half the number we've seen in typical seasons since 1995," Kelly added.

Overall in 2002, there were 12 named storms, of which four became hurricanes. Hurricanes Lili and Isidore were classified as major (category 3 or higher on the Saffir Simpson hurricane scale). Eight storms (Tropical Storms Bertha, Edouard, Fay and Hanna; and Hurricanes Gustav, Isidore, Kyle and Lili) affected the coastal United States. Hurricane Lili was the only storm to make landfall while still a hurricane. The other 2002 storms were: Tropical Storms Arthur, Cristobal, Dolly and Josephine. Hurricane forecasters at the NOAA Climate Prediction Center, Hurricane Research Division and National Hurricane Center correctly forecast climate conditions, including the El Niño, would reduce the overall hurricane activity this season. The forecast called for seven to 10 tropical storms, of which four to six could develop into hurricanes, with one to three classified as major.



Hurricane Isidore taken Thursday, Sept. 19, 2002 at 6:37 p.m. EDT from a NOAA P-3 Orion "hurricane hunter" aircraft at an altitude of 7,000 feet.

CPC Director Jim Laver noted they correctly predicted El Niño would suppress the season's "overall activity" (based on a complex formula used by the scientists that combines the number of tropical storms, and their duration and intensity). He pointed out, there were two more named tropical storms than the range of 7-10 predicted, but because several named storms were weak, and of short duration they contributed little to the scientific measure of diminished "overall activity." Gaining a better understanding of the atmospheric conditions controlling seasonal hurricane activity is at the heart of NOAA extended range hurricane outlooks," said Laver. "This is our fifth straight year of issuing accurate outlooks for overall hurricane season activity. But future success depends on more research into how global and regional climate patterns affect Atlantic hurricane activity."

Louisiana, the hardest hit area, was battered by four storms including the powerful Hurricane Lili and Tropical Storm Isidore. The 2002 season's storms caused 9 deaths in the United States and about \$900 million in damages. Max Mayfield, director of the NOAA National Hurricane Center, said, "Four storm strikes on Louisiana remind us of the need for preparedness during every hurricane season. It's not the number of storms that counts—it's where they go." Mayfield added, "Tropical storm track forecast accuracy continued to improve this year, due in part to accurate computer forecast models from the NOAA Environmental Modeling Center. The landfall of Hurricane Lili in Louisiana was well forecast nearly three days in advance," he said. "However, intensity forecasts did not capture Lili's rapid weakening (from a Category 4 to a Category 1-2) in the 12 hours before landfall. We are working through the U.S. Weather Research Program to improve intensity forecasting," Mayfield also noted the public relied heavily on Internet access for lifesaving information from NOAA this season. "The explosive use of the Internet to convey vital information to the public in near real time has been astonishing," he said. "Between August and September the NHC Web site recorded almost 500 million hits. The peak day for the season was Oct. 3 (Hurricane Lili) when the site recorded 35.9 million hits—doubling the previous record set in 1999 during Hurricane Floyd. We are saving lives thanks to the Internet," Mayfield noted. The NOAA High Performance Computing and Communications Program manages the system.



NOAA image of Hurricane Lili taken from inside the eye wall Oct. 2, 2002, at 3:23 p.m. EDT from NOAA's P-3 Orion hurricane hunter aircraft.

NOAA National Weather Service is the primary source for weather data, forecasts and warnings for the United States and its territories. NOAA Weather Service operates the most advanced weather and flood warning and forecast system in the world, helping to protect lives and property and enhance the national economy. NOAA is an agency of the Commerce Department.



Reunions and Notices



Reminder from the editor: If you are searching for one individual vice a group of people please send us a self address and stamped envelope, and we will be glad to forward to the person you are trying to locate. Mail to:

Commanding Officer (RAS)
CG Human Resource Service and Information Center
444 SE Quincy Street
Topeka, Kansas 66683

Thanks!!!

Also in our last issue on contacting Mr. James Donahue stationed on the USCGC KUKUI, his correct Email address is **jameshdonahue@earthlink.net**. Sorry about the confusion.
~Ron

Patrick AFB Military Retiree Day PAFB will hold its 22nd Annual Military Retiree Day on 29 March 2003. This is an event that has been recognized as the largest gathering of retirees in the nation. It also allows the retiree, or a surviving family member to be brought up to speed on any benefits affecting their status. The day will start at 0900 and finish at 1300 hrs. Activity will be at the Hangar 750 with over 45 tables manned by organizations and agencies involved with retiree affairs. Speakers at the Base Theater will cover aspects of Medical, Social Security, and a speaker on Retiree Concerns. ID Cards can be also be renewed if required and is the day to bring yourself up-to-date on current legislation affecting our rights, and an excellent opportunity to meet old friends and develop new ones. For more questions contact the Retiree Activities Office at Tel: 321-494-5463.

USCG 255 FT CLASS CUTTER Sailors Reunion III The 255 Sailors Reunion III for all thirteen 255 ft Cutters will be held at the Plaza Hotel/Casino in Las Vegas, NV on 4 through 8 May 2003. For more information contact the Reunion Committee at P.O. Box 33523, Juneau, AK or call (907)789-2579. Also Email: doak17@gci.net.

REUNION OF THE USCG LIGHTSHIP SAILORS ASSN
On 2-3-4 October 2003, Lewes, DE. Contact Lou Toobert, 111 Sonant Dr., Newark, DE 19713, Tel: 302-738-9020, Email: jtruffles@aol.com

USCGC JARVIS WHEC 725 will have a reunion on 15-16 May 2003 in Ft Lauderdale Fl. Please contact Walter Stanczyk 6935 NW 17th Ct. Margate Fl 33063 or E-Mail at stanczyk1790@juno.com or by phone (954) 979-3750.

The Coast Guard Chief Petty Officers Association We are looking for lost members and members not current in their annual dues. If your mailing address has changed or you have let your CPOA membership lapse and you are interested in reestablishing contact with the CPOA contact EMCM Kevin Isherwood, National CPOA Membership Chairman at (206) 217-6816 or email kisherwood@pacnorwest.uscg.mil. As a reminder the CPOA annual dues has been raised to \$24. Kevin can/will help you with that also, keep in mind, **“Once a Chief, Always a Chief”**

OWENSBORO UNIT REUNION 2003 The date for the 2003 Reunion is set for Saturday April 26, 2003 starting about 1400 Central time. This year we will be meeting at the Restaurant of PS1 Bob Sheldon, Sheldon's Country Fixins located near Munfordville, KY. Phone #(270) 524-3100 The Restaurant can be reached by the following:
From the Louisville area; take I-65 South to Exit 65 (about 75 miles) turn towards Munfordville the restaurant is about 150 yards from I-65 From the South take I-65 North to exit 65 (about 35 miles from Bowling Green.) Reasonable cost lodging should be available at Cave City or Horse Cave. The Restaurant is a short distance from Mammoth Cave National Park. Additional information contact either Lt. Les Allen (502) 495-2457 E-mail lesallen@hotmail.com or CWO Radin at (859) 885-1236 E-mail gpradin@Juno.com

Come be a part of Maritime history. Join the Indian River Life Saving Station Foundation. For more information contact:

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USCGC CAMPBELL W-32 – Association will have its 18th Annual Reunion on May 13 – 16, 2003 at the Radisson Hotel Hampton, 700 Settlers Landing Road, Hampton, VA 23669. All hands who served on the Campbell during the 46 years she served her country, as well as all current active duty and former crew members of the USCGC CAMPBELL W-909 are welcomed and urged to attend.. For details contact Mike Truex, President USCG Association, W-32 W- 909, 8 Harvard Ave., Neptune, NJ 07753, Tel: 732-922-6245, Email mrtruex@worldnet.att.net or James Kelly, Vice President, 40 Lisa Lane, Uncasville, CT 06382. Tel: 860-848-1160, Email: Jkelly3@earthlink.net.



USCGC Retirements



Name	Rank	Date of Retirement	Years of Service
ACKERLIND, CARL	MKCS	20020901	23
ADAMS, GREGORY	CAPT	20021001	30
AIKIN, TRAVIS	CDR	20020529	25
AINBINDER, ALAN	TCC	20020901	20
ALBERT, MICHAEL	AVT1	20020801	20
ALEXANDER, WILLIAM	DC1	20020922	38
ALLEN, LEONARD	CDR	20020801	24
ALLEN, ROBERT	CAPT	20021101	26
ANDERSON, GLENN	CAPT	20020901	26
ANDERSON, KENNETH	HSC	20020801	22
ANDREONI, JULIE	FS3	20020729	06
ANDRICH, KYLE	MED2	20020901	21
ANGONIO, PERRY	LT	20020901	20
ARGENBRIGHT, JAMES	BM1	20021101	20
ARNDT, JEFFREY	BMCM	20021101	24
ARNOLD, RICHARD	CDR	20020801	20
ARREDONDO, ROLAND	RDC	20021101	22
AYRES, ROBERT	ASTC	20021101	20
BAGLEY, MICHAEL	EMCS	20020801	20
BAIKER, MANFRED	MST2	20020901	23
BAILIE, JAMES	SKC	20021001	22
BAKER, JOHN	SK1	20021011	37
BALL, ROBERT	CDR	20021101	22
BALLARD, CLAUDE	AMTCS	20020901	30
BALLARD, JOHN	DC1	20020801	20
BARNES, ROGER	ETC	20021101	20
BARNES, WILLIAM	LCDR	20020825	32
BARRY, ROBERT	LCDR	20020703	35
BARTO, THOMAS	CDR	20020716	38
BATISTE, BEVERLY	YN1	20020801	20
BATT, ROGER	CAPT	20020707	42
BAUMANN, PETER	BOSN3	20020801	22
BAXTER, RICHARD	DC2	20020823	29
BAYUS, STEPHEN	SKC	20021011	29
BEACH, GARY	SKC	20020901	20
BEEBE, ROBERT	PS1	20021021	35
BEECHUM, MICHAEL	TC1	20020901	20
BENTLEY, KEITH	MK1	20020801	20
BETTENCOURT, ANDREW	TC1	20020901	20
BETTERS, STEPHEN	BMCM	20021001	20
BIELEWICZ, RICHARD	ASTCS	20021101	23
BILLER, KAREN	YN1	20020901	20
BIRD, TOMMIE	SKC	20021001	22
BIRK, BARBARA	YNCS	20021101	23
BLANKS, QUINT	AMT1	20020901	20
BLOETH, ROBERT	IVCM	20020201	42
BLOUNT, JACQUELINE	YN2	20020707	29
BOSS, DEMETRIS	FS3	20020729	02
BOYLE, DAVID	ET1	20021001	20
BRENK, DENNIS	BMCS	20020801	20
BRIDGER, JOSEPH	CAPT	20020801	28
BRIGDON, HENRY	ELC4	20021101	30
BROSNAN, MICHAEL	BMCS	20020901	26
BROSSEAU, GORDON	AMT1	20020801	20
BROWN, CLIFFORD	AMTC	20021001	22
BROWN, ERIC	CDR	20021001	21
BROWN, ROBERT	SKCM	20021001	20
BROWN, WILBERT	BMC	20020901	27
BRYCE, MICHAEL	TCC	20021001	20
BRYERS, ROBERT	TCC	20021001	30
BRYERS, ROBERT	TCC	20010609	28
BUCCI, DIANE	BMCM	20021001	26
BURGIN, JOHN	MK1	20021001	21
BURNS, GEORGE	CDR	20021001	22
BURRISS, JAMES	MKC	20020801	21
BUTLER, JAMES	MKC	20021101	24
CABANA, ROBIN	TC1	20020901	20
CALLAHAN, MICHAEL	LCDR	20020901	20
CALLAWAY, KATIE	YN1	20020901	20

Name	Rank	Date of Retirement	Years of Service
CAMPBELL, JUDSON	MK2	20021001	20
CANAVAN, DANIEL	AVTCS	20020801	28
CARPENTIER, KEVIN	CAPT	20021001	16
CARRO, JOSEPH	BMC	20020801	24
CARROLL, JONATHAN	FSCS	20020901	20
CARROTHERS, BESSIE	PERS4	20020901	25
CARTER, MARVIN	AVT1	20020801	20
CASTRO, VICTOR	AMT2	20020801	20
CAVANAUGH, JOHN	ELC2	20020801	23
CERVANTEZ, TIMOTHY	FSC	20021001	20
CHAFFEE, LEONA	YNCS	20020901	29
CHANNELL, DAVID	DC1	20020901	22
CHAPMAN, JOSEPH	MKCM	20020801	25
CHARON, JAIMIE	YN1	20021001	20
CHEW, DAVID	AMTC	20020901	26
CLAPPER, MARY	TC1	20020726	32
CLARK, ARVIE	QM1	20020901	21
CLARK, DAVID	MKC	20020801	21
CLARK, DOUGLAS	DC1	20020901	22
CLARKE, BRIAN	TCCM	20020801	24
CLEMENTS, ROBERT	TCC	20020901	22
CLEVELAND, ALLEN	LCDR	20021101	28
CODDINGTON, KEITH	CAPT	20020801	29
COFFMAN, RANDAL	FSC	20021101	20
COHAN, CHRISTOPHER	YN1	20020801	21
COLES, STEPHEN	AMTC	20020801	22
COLLINS, CHRISTOPHER	BMC	20020901	24
COMPTON, ARTHUR	DCCM	20021101	25
COOK, JOHN	CDR	20020801	20
COOMBS, JEFFREY	ET1	20021001	20
COONS, DAVID	MKC	20020901	20
COOPER, GARY	BOSN4	20021101	28
CORNWELL, LAWRENCE	CDR	20020901	23
COWGILL, JAMES	AMTC	20021001	24
COX, TOD	MKCS	20021101	21
CRAFT, WALTER	MSTCM	20021030	31
CRAWFORD, JEFFREY	BM1	20021101	17
CRESAP, TERRY	AMT1	20020801	20
CRUMBAUGH, JACK	RDC	20020901	20
CRUZ, CARLOS	TC1	20020801	20
CUMPSTON, WILLIAM	PERS3	20020801	30
CURRIER, ALEX	MKC	20021001	23
CURRY, NANCY	YN1	20021001	20
CUSSON, RICHARD	CAPT	20021001	24
DANIELS, LONNIE	CDR	20020808	26
DAVIDSON, ROBERT	F&S4	20021011	34
DAVIS, JERRY	CDR	20021029	38
DAVIS, LUKE	BMC	20021101	22
DAVIS, RICHARD	PSC	20021004	29
DAVITT, BRIAN	F&S4	20021001	27
DEARY, PAUL	BM1	20020901	24
DEENEY, JAMES	BMC	20021001	21
DEES, RANDEL	DC1	20020801	20
DEGREE, WILLIAM	LT	20021001	23
DELEON, FRANCISCO	MK1	20021008	35
DELORENZE, DUANE	QMC	20021001	20
DEON, LEO	BOSN2	20021001	21
DEVINE, BARBARA	MUC	20020901	20
DI IULIO, DOMENICO	CAPT	20020801	28
DILL, MICHAEL	TCCM	20021001	26
DILLEHAYES, ROY	BM2	20021001	20
DILLON, DAVID	WEPS3	20021019	37
DINICOLA, PETER	CAPT	20021001	24
DIRKS, JON	DCC	20021101	21
DOBROSKY, PATRICK	FSC	20020901	21
DOLAN, KENNETH	PSCM	20020703	35
DONALDSON, JOSEPH	BOSN2	20021001	22
DONNELLY, DENNIS	RDCS	20021001	20
DOTY, SAMUEL	ET1	20020801	21

DUNBAR, JOSEPH	DCC	20020801	21	HARRIS, CLIFF	ELC4	20021001	28
DUNKEN, MARK	AVT2	20020801	20	HARRIS, PATRICK	CAPT	20020901	27
DUNN, WILLIAM	PS1	20020829	27	HART, JOHN	MK1	20021001	21
DYKES, VERNON	YN1	20020901	21	HAYNIE, RICHARD	BMC	20020801	22
EAST, RICHARD	LCDR	20021001	20	HENDERSON, NANCY	YN2	20021005	29
ECHOLS, ALLEN	LCDR	20020801	28	HENSHAW, NORMAN	MK1	20021001	20
ECK, STUART	EMC	20020801	21	HERLONG, JOHN	PYA4	20020901	28
EDMONDS, HOWARD	ENG4	20020816	38	HICKS, CARL	EMC	20021001	21
ELLEN, RALPH	PSC	20021018	33	HILDEBRAND, ROBERT	BOSN4	20020801	30
ELLISON, PHILLIP	SKCM	20021101	30	HILL, SYLVIA	YN1	20020804	20
ERICKSON, KENNETH	PS2	20020731	20	HIMELRICK, RICHARD	BM1	20021101	20
ETHERIDGE, RICHARD	YNCS	20021101	23	HINSON, ROBERT	MK1	20021101	24
FARKAS, MICHAEL	RD1	20020901	23	HOLCOMB, JOEL	ENG2	20020901	23
FAWCETT, MICHAEL	LT	20020801	23	HOLDEN, JEFFREY	BM1	20020901	20
FERGUSON, DENNIS	RDC	20021101	20	HOLMES, EDWARD	BOSN3	20021101	24
FERGUSON, WESLEY	MKC	20020801	24	HOLZMAN, ROBERT	CDR	20020801	20
FERRERA, JOAN	SKC	20020816	29	HUFFMAN, PAUL	LCDR	20020713	40
FIDALEO, DAWN	LCDR	20021001	20	HUISMAN, JOHN	PS1	20020904	35
FITHEEN, GEORGE	LT	20020823	35	HUNTER, RICKY	ENG3	20020801	30
FLEMING, GERALD	CAPT	20021009	44	HUSAK, MARK	AMT1	20021101	20
FLEMING, RICHARD	AST1	20020901	22	HUTCHINSON, ANDREW	AMTC	20020801	23
FLINT, GORDON	AMTC	20020801	20	INANGELO, MARK	FSC	20020901	20
FLORIN, JEFFREY	CAPT	20020901	27	JAMEISON, RICHARD	PS1	20021026	38
FLOYD, JOSEPH	BOSN4	20021101	28	JENKINS, GARY	SK1	20020901	22
FLURY, ALAN	GMC	20020901	20	JENKINS, RICHARD	FS1	20021101	20
FONG, ROBERT	BOSN3	20021015	25	JOHNSON, ANDREW	F&S4	20020930	37
FOWLER, GEORGE	RD1	20021001	20	JOHNSON, ANDREW	PS1	20020720	33
FOWLER, JOSEPH	DC2	20020801	20	JOHNSON, BERNARD	DCC	20021101	20
FRANCIS, JULIAN	RDC	20021001	25	JOHNSON, DENNIS	YNC	20021001	26
FRANSEEN, RAY	CDR	20021025	37	JOHNSON, JOSEPH	CDR	20020901	31
FREDRICKSON, CHRIS	BMC	20020801	21	JOHNSON, MARK	CAPT	20020801	26
FRENCH, PHILIP	ETC	20021101	21	JOHNSON, ROBERT	AVT1	20021101	20
FREUDENBERG, ROBERT	DC1	20021101	21	JOHNSON, TODD	BM1	20021001	21
FRITTS, JAIME	AMT1	20020901	21	JOHNSON, TRACY	BMCM	20020801	32
FUSS, THOMAS	SK2	20020914	24	JOHNSTON, TODD	ELC4	20020801	29
GAMBALE, ALFONSO	MK1	20020907	42	JONCAS, GERALD	YN2	20020812	13
GARCIA, JEROME	AVT1	20020901	22	JONES, CHARLES	EMCS	20020801	21
GARNER, JOSEPH	ENG2	20021001	21	JONES, DAVID	CDR	20020901	23
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STEPHANY	SHIRL	CAPT	20020812	ALTOONA	FL
STEWART	FRANK	LT	20020830	EL CAJON	CA
STONELAKE	JOSEPH	BMCS	20020929	CLEARWATER	FL
SWENSON	EDWARD	LTJG	20020729	SALEM	OR
THOMPSON	WAYNE	CWO4	20021006	TACOMA	WA
TOULOUSE	GEORGE	CDR	20021115	SANTA MARIA	CA
TOWNSWICK	HAROLD	RM1	20021017	ORANGE	CA
TREE	FRANK	ENCS	20020910	SATELLITE BEACH	FL
VOGEL	CHARLES	EMCM	20021012	MCMILLAN	MI
VOLLMER	WALTER	BMC	20020816	TEQUESTA	FL
VORE	NED	CWO2	20021022	MILWAUKEE	OR
WADE	ULYSSES	ENC	20021022	BROOKSVILLE	FL
WAITE	WALLACE	BMC	20020918	EDGEWOOD	WA
WALKER	HARRY	CWO4	20020805	NEW SMYRNA BCH	FL
WAWRZYNIAK	OLIVER	ENCM	20020709	SUN CITY	CA
WHITNEY	RICHARD	PS1	20021017	CARNEY	MD
WHORTON	CHARLIE	MMCS	20020906	NORFOLK	VA
WILLIAMS	ELLIOTT	BM2	20020723	BUXTON	NC
WOOD	JOSEPH	MMC	20020824	PINELLAS PARK	FL
WORREL	EDWARD	CAPT	20020723	HOUSTON	TX
ZAZZO	DENNIS	MKC	20021114	ROBBINSVILLE	NJ
ZENCUCH	FRANK	CSCM	20021007	CHARLEROI	PA

Dependent TAPS

Cynthia D. Bartels, wife of CWO4 Dale E. Bartels	14 September 2002	Travelers Rest, SC
Linda Lea Eady, wife of RMCM Jimmie M. Eady Jr.	25 October 2002	Miami, FL
Kathryne Jackson, wife of RMCS Harvey D. Jackson	29 August 2002	Dalton, GA
Sandra S. Johnson, wife of LCDR Mark A. Johnson	22 August 2002	Merritt Island, FL
Violet Mae Stark, wife of MKCM Orin H. (Charlie) Stark	2 October 2002	Mystic, CT
Lorraine Marin, wife of RM1 Leo L. Marin	12 October 2002	Concord, NH
Nancee L. Sipp, wife of CWO3 Gerald F. Sipp	5 December 2001	Howard City, MI
Minnie T. Tayloe, wife of WO1 Z. V. Tayloe	5 May 2002	Huntsville, AL
Judith A. Treadway, wife of CWO4 Irvin J. Treadway	14 May 2002	Robertsdale, AL
Lyda Hemeniz Visco, wife of ETCS Lugi Visco	16 November 2002	New London, CT
Sally Sue Sadler Whetstone, wife of LT Bill Whetstone	6 August 2002	Fountain Valley, CA

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Commanding Officer (RAS)
Coast Guard Human Resources
Service & Information Center
444 SE Quincy Street
Topeka, KS 66683-3591

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- CHANGE OF ADDRESS FOR NEWSLETTER
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Service & Information Center
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Topeka, KS 66683-3591



Toll Free 1-800-772-8724
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444 SE Quincy Street
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1-800-942-2422

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 www.ssa.gov/SSA_home.html



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General Information 1-800-827-1000
 Insurance Information: 1-800-669-8477
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Find information on insurance coverage for veterans including VGLI on the VA's website at www.insurance.va.gov/benefits/insurfaq.htm

For information on VGLI coverage costs and renewal options write or call:

OSGLI
 213 Washington Street
 Newark, NJ 07102

1-800-419-1473



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Visit the TVL web page at:
 www.uscg.mil/hq/hrsic/tvl.htm

For information, call Toll Free: 1-888-872-4885
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 Topeka, KS 66683-3591

WHEN THE TIME COMES, WILL YOUR SURVIVOR KNOW -----?



- ↓ How to file a death report
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	Never		Usually		Always
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* Are our employees helpful & courteous?	1	2	3	4	5
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