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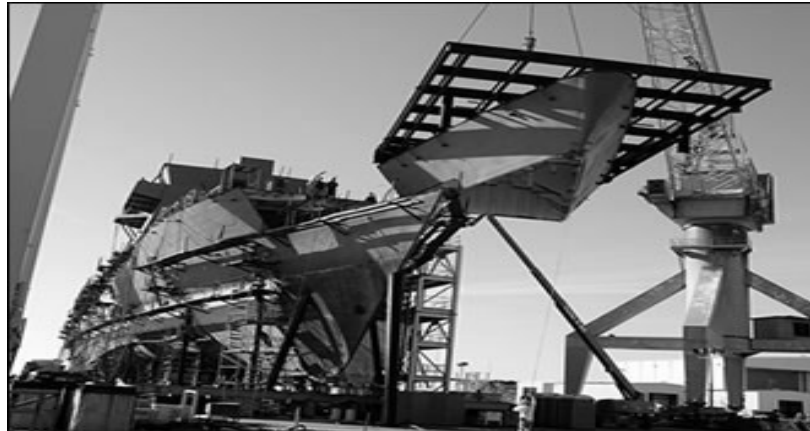
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National Security Cutter Final Assembly Unit Installed



Rosslyn, VA – Jan. 26, 2006 – The final unit of the first Deepwater National Security Cutter (NSC), USCGC BERTHOLF (WMSL 750), was lifted onto the keel yesterday marking a significant construction milestone for the flag ship of the newest class of Coast Guard cutters. The first of eight NSCs being built by Northrop Grumman Ship Systems under contract to Integrated Coast Guard Systems (ICGS) has all assemblies on keel and is one step closer to reality.

"We've battled a few storms, but the diligent work ethic and production efficiencies implemented by our shipbuilding team have enabled us to maintain a great momentum," said Jamie Anton, ICGS executive vice president.

Installation of unit 1120 completes the bow section of BERTHOLF, which is now 49 percent complete overall. Production is proceeding on schedule to be delivered to the Coast Guard in the summer of 2007 and is demonstrating quality comparable to that of a fifth-in-class ship.

"Completing this milestone so quickly in the wake of the most significant natural disaster in our nation's history is a direct reflection on the dedication and professionalism of the workforce and management," said U.S. Coast Guard Capt. William S. Krewsky, on-site program representative at the Pascagoula, Miss., shipyard.

BERTHOLF will be the first Coast Guard cutter featuring the full Deepwater command & control, communications, computers, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (C4ISR) capability providing commonality and interoperability among all Deepwater assets. The C4ISR equipment and systems, designed and produced by Lockheed Martin, recently completed a full testing program at the Maritime Domain Awareness Center in Moorestown, N.J., and is due to be installed onboard the BERTHOLF this summer.

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The NSC is a 418-foot ship with a 4,300-ton displacement at full load. Powered by a twin-screw combined diesel-and-gas turbine-power propulsion plant, the NSC is designed to travel at 28 knots max speed. The cutter will include an aft launch and recovery area for two rigid-hull inflatable boats, a flight deck to accommodate a range of rotary-wing manned and unmanned aircraft and state-of-the-art command & control electronics.

About Integrated Deepwater System

IDS is a critical multiyear, multibillion dollar program to modernize and replace the Coast Guard's aging ships and aircraft and improve systems for logistics and command and control. It is the largest recapitalization effort in the history of the Coast Guard. When complete, the interoperable IDS system will include three classes of new cutters and their associated small boats, a new fixed-wing manned aircraft fleet, upgraded helicopters, and both cutter-based and land-based unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs). All of these highly capable assets are linked by C4ISR systems and are supported by an efficient and progressive integrated logistics system.

About Integrated Coast Guard Systems

ICGS is a joint venture of Lockheed Martin (NYSE: LMT) and Northrop Grumman (NYSE: NOC). ICGS was awarded the Deepwater contract in June 2002. Headquartered in Rosslyn, Va., core leadership teams are located in Virginia, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Jersey, and Washington, D.C.

(Source: Coast Guard Press Release)



MOBILE, Ala. (March 2, 2006)--The Coast Guard conducts an over flight assessment of an accident in Mobile Bay, Ala., involving the container ship Zim Mexico III and a sky-crane Thursday March 2, 2006, at approximately 11:30 a.m. USCG photo by PA1 Krystyna Hannum

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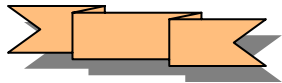
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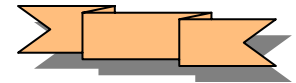
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STATEMENT BY VICE ADM. TERRY CROSS, VICE COMMANDANT OF THE U.S. COAST GUARD, ON THE COAST GUARD'S DUE DILIGENCE IN SUPPORT OF THE CFIUS PROCESS

WASHINGTON - "Early in the Committee on Foreign Investments in the United States (CFIUS) process, the Coast Guard's initial review identified potential intelligence gaps. Since completing its initial intelligence assessment, the Coast Guard has continued its due diligence by auditing all Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company (P&O) operations in the United States, examining Dubai Ports World (DPW) operations outside the United States, obtaining formal assurances from DPW regarding ongoing access to information on personnel and operations, and further evaluating the proposed transaction in conjunction with other elements of the intelligence community. These additional efforts have reinforced the conclusion of the Coast Guard's initial assessment, and the Coast Guard continues to believe that, 'DP World's acquisition of P&O, in and of itself, does not pose a significant threat to U.S. assets in [continental United States] ports.' In fact, the Coast Guard will have more information about the affected terminals under DPW ownership than it currently does under P&O's ownership. During the 45-day review period, the Coast Guard will continue to work diligently within the Department of Homeland Security and the intelligence community to ensure that port security concerns are fully raised and objectively analyzed."



NAUTICAL TERMS, PHRASES & TRIVIA



Dogwatch-

A dogwatch at sea is the period between 4 and 6 p.m., the first dogwatch, or the period between 6 and 8 p.m., the second dogwatch. The watches aboard ships are:

Noon to 4:00 p.m. Afternoon watch
4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. First dogwatch
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Second dogwatch
8:00 p.m. to midnight 1st night watch
Midnight to 4:00 a.m. Middle watch or mid watch
4:00 to 8:00 a.m. Morning watch
8:00 a.m. to noon Forenoon watch

The dogwatches are only two hours each so the same Sailors aren't always on duty at the same time each afternoon. Some experts say dogwatch is a corruption of dodge watch and others associate dogwatch with the fitful sleep of Sailors called dog sleep, because it is a stressful watch. But no one really knows the origin of this term, which was in use at least back to 1700.

(Source: Naval Historical Center)



COAST GUARD MUTUAL ASSISTANCE – BECAUSE YOU CARE!

The Coast Guard was put to the test last fall when hurricanes struck the Gulf Coast and Florida. Coast Guard men and women came to the fore, rescuing or evacuating over 33,000 hurricane victims. Unfortunately, many of the responders suffered significant personal losses as well.

Thanks to people like you, Coast Guard Mutual Assistance (CGMA) was there to provide nearly \$1.9 million in emergency assistance to hurricane victims. At the same time, CGMA continued to meet financial needs throughout the Coast Guard. Financial assistance in 2005 totaled over \$7 million in over 7,600 cases. CGMA provided nearly \$250,000 in assistance to Retired members in 2005.

Established in 1924, CGMA is the Coast Guard's own financial assistance organization. It is a non-profit charitable organization, providing essential financial aid to Coast Guard individuals and families. Though working closely with the Coast Guard, CGMA receives no appropriated or non-appropriated government funds. In order to continue performing its vital role, CGMA must rely on voluntary contributions.

Last fall, there was an unprecedented outpouring of personal financial support for Coast Guard people impacted by Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Wilma. That support was vital and deeply appreciated. However, we must not forget that it is caring people, like a great many within the retired community, who support CGMA consistently from year to year that keep CGMA strong in the long term and ensure that it can continue its vital role in supporting Coast Guard people in times of need. If you have not joined their ranks, please consider doing so now.

Letters are being sent again this year to individuals in the retired community, along with a contribution form and postage-paid return envelope, making it easy to contribute. Please make a tax-deductible contribution to CGMA. It's a proven and practical way to extend a helping hand to Coast Guard People in need.

Contributions, including memorial contributions, bequests and other special contributions from individuals or estates, are welcome at any time throughout the year. Information and contribution forms are available on the CGMA Web site: www.cgmahq.org.

Contribution checks or money orders, made payable to "CGMA," may be mailed directly to Coast Guard Mutual Assistance, 4200 Wilson Blvd., Suite 610, Arlington, VA 22203.

For more information about CGMA, visit their Web site or call CGMA Headquarters at (800) 881-2462.

Thank you for supporting Coast Guard Mutual Assistance!

Coast Guard Commissions New Cutter

U.S. Coast Guard

January 23, 2006

Yerba Buena Island, Calif. - The U.S. Coast Guard commissioned an 87-foot patrol boat into its fleet this morning during a commissioning ceremony at Sector San Francisco on Yerba Buena Island.

The Coast Guard Cutter Pike is the latest vessel of the newest class of Coast Guard patrol boats, and is equipped for search and rescue, environmental protection, and maritime law enforcement. It will conduct these primary missions in the San Francisco Bay, as well as between Point Arena and Point Piedras Blancas in distances up to 50 miles from shore. The Pike has a crew of ten men and women, and is commanded by Lt. j.g. Robert A. Bixler of Warren, Ohio.

Rear Adm. Kevin J. Eldridge, Commander of the Eleventh Coast Guard District, officially commissioned the ship into service. This was followed by the raising of colors, reading of orders and assumption of command, setting the watch, and manning the ship, all proud traditions dating back to the early days of the Revenue Cutter Service and the U.S. Lifesaving Service.

The Honorable Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi, Democratic Leader of the House of Representatives, christened the cutter during the ceremonies. Pelosi served as the keynote speaker and was the cutter's official sponsor.

The Pike was built by Bollinger Shipyard, Inc. of Lockport, La, in September 2005. This vessel employs the latest advances in navigation and Marine technology. A fully integrated electronics suite coordinates radar, satellite navigation, gyrocompass, autopilot and computer generated charts to form a compact and user-friendly command and control system for the ship's personnel.

After weathering Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Wilma, and Tropical Storm Gamma, Lt.j.g. Bixler and his crew safely navigated more than 4,700 nautical miles from Louisiana to California. During their trip, the Pike crew delivered 1,500 pounds of disaster relief supplies to Guatemala, received a visit from the U.S. Ambassador to Nicaragua, performed two port security assessments, and conducted a professional exchange and nation building exercise with the Colombian Navy.

The Pike is one of the most advanced coastal patrol boats in the world and will help the U.S. Coast Guard to respond to America's maritime needs well into the 21st Century.

The Commissioning Ceremony is the most important event in a Coast Guard cutter's history. The heart of the ceremony is the acceptance of the ship by the Coast Guard, entitling the ship to thereafter fly the Coast Guard ensign and hold the designation of U.S. Coast Guard Cutter (USCGC).

(Source: Coast Guard Press Release)



Retirees



Annual Premium Update

TRDP premiums were established for each year of the contract at the time of contract award to allow for projected changes in the cost of dental care. The modest premium increases are scheduled to take effect May 1 of each year. This annual premium adjustment is automatic and will be reflected in your retired pay allotment, or if you are billed directly, in your payment coupons or electronic funds transfer (EFT). The new monthly premium rates are effective May 1, 2005 through April 30, 2006.

To find out the new premium rates for your region, use the attached link: <http://www.trdp.org/enhanced/premiums.htm>

(Source: Delta Dental news release)

I'm New to TRICARE

TRICARE is the Military Health System's health care program for active duty military, active duty service families, retirees and their families, survivors, and other beneficiaries. Reservists and National Guardsmen (collectively known as the **Reserve Component**) are also eligible for TRICARE coverage when they are on active duty. It is a fully integrated system that brings together the health care resources of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard, and then supplements them with civilian health care professionals to provide better access and high-quality service, while maintaining the ability to support military operations.

The three most common programs are TRICARE **Prime**, TRICARE **Extra** and TRICARE **Standard** (formerly called CHAMPUS). TRICARE also provides a **dental** benefit, a comprehensive **pharmacy** program, and **TRICARE For Life** for most Medicare-eligible uniformed service retirees.

Each TRICARE program has its own **eligibility** and **enrollment** requirements. You must be registered in the **Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS)** to be eligible for any TRICARE benefits. Enrollment for TRICARE coverage is subject to your location, your eligibility category, and the specific program requirements. **Costs** and enrollment fees also differ by program. Health benefits advisors are available at your local **TRICARE Service Center (TSC)** or **military treatment facility (MTF)** to help you decide which option is best for you.

You may still be eligible for TRICARE coverage even if you have other health insurance. However, you should inform your regional contractor and healthcare provider if you have other insurance so that your benefits can be coordinated and there is no delay in the payment of claims.

New Retiree Enrollment Opportunity

Newly retired members of the uniformed services who enroll in the enhanced TRDP within 120 days after their retirement have a special opportunity to begin coverage with additional benefits, normally subject to a 12-month waiting period. Additional benefits normally subject to the 12-month waiting period are:

- ◆ Cast crowns, cast restorations and bridges covered at 50%
- ◆ Coverage for full and partial dentures at 50%
- ◆ Orthodontic coverage for both adolescents and adults at 50%

Those who wait to enroll after this 120-day period will not receive these benefits until after 12 months of continuous enrollment in the enhanced TRDP. These benefits are in addition to the immediate benefits of:

- ◆ Two cleanings in a 12-month period
- ◆ An allowance toward payment for tooth-colored fillings on back teeth
- ◆ Dental accident coverage
- ◆ Additional diagnostic and preventive services

Interested in enrolling in the enhanced TRDP? Enroll online at <https://secure.trdp.org/webenrollment/>, or call Customer Service at 1 (888) 838-8737.

Note: Your enrollment will be confirmed pending verification of your date of retirement. If you are mailing your application to Delta, be sure to include a copy of your retirement orders as proof of your retirement from active duty within the last 120 days. This will help expedite processing of your enrollment in the enhanced TRDP and verify your eligibility for this special offer.

(Source: Delta Dental news release)

REUNIONS AND NOTICES

USCGC INGHAM (WHEC-35) REUNION

When: 5-7 October 2006
 Where: Mt. Pleasant, SC
 Contact: Jack L. Elam
 1659 W. Jenny Street
 Lecanto, FL 34461
 Phone: (352) 746-0079
 E-mail: jlecpe10058@earthlink.net

If you are interested in attending this reunion, or have information on the whereabouts of *Ingham* shipmates, please contact Jack at the above address or number.

US COAST GUARD ICEBREAKER MUSTER REUNION

When: May 1 - 5, 2006
 Where: Ramada Express, Laughlin, Nevada
 Contact: Louie LaRiccia
 Phone: (623) 434 6805
 Email: icebreakermuster@cox.net

This reunion is for all veterans and guests of Coast Guard icebreakers, past or present. The weeklong event is packed with activities from poolside relaxing to riverboat dinner cruises. Room rate is extremely affordable. All information is on the website, www.icebreakermuster.com

The Elizabeth City Chapter of the Chief Petty Officers Association will again be hosting the Biennial Elizabeth City Coast Guard reunion at our "Chiefs Quarters", 9-11 June 2006. The address is: 514 Cardwell Street, Elizabeth City, NC. All US Coast Guardsmen are welcome. The event will include a welcome aboard dinner and evening of events on Friday. Saturday will include a breakfast, silent auction in the early afternoon, followed by a dinner and band later in the evening. There will also be a breakfast on Sunday morning. All information and forms can be reviewed and/or downloaded from our website www.ecitycpoa.com. You can also e-mail Dave Disbennett at davediz@inteliport.com, for more information.

COAST GUARD RESERVE COMPANY R4 FIFTY YEAR REUNION

September 29-October 1, 2006 at Coast Guard Training Center Cape May. All R4 graduates are encouraged to attend. R4 is one of the first 6x8 reserve training companies to train and graduate from RTC Cape May from October 3, 1956 to March 1957. Visit R4's website at USCGR4.org for vintage photos, agenda, lodging options and more information. A variety of activities will include a welcome reception on Thursday, attendance at a recruit graduation on Friday, base tour and update on changes at Cape May since the 1950's, banquet dinner Friday evening and opportunities to share our life's experiences. For additional information contact: CDR Mike Nilsson, USCG, Ret., at (213) 248-0147, mmnilsson@aol.com or CDR Vic Saucedo, USCG, Ret., at vic.saucedo@lmco.com or Richard Storek at rich@storekstudio.com.

THE BERING SEA PATROL ALASKA VETERANS REUNION

When: 25-26 August 2006
 Where: Kansas City, MO
 Contact: Ed McLees
 1508 NE 98th St
 Kansas City, MO 64155
 Phone: (816) 436-5588
 E-mail: eamclees@earthlink.net

To all US Coast Guard personnel who served in Alaska. If you served on any unit in Alaska for 21 days or more you are welcome to join our organization and come to our reunion. We are open to active duty, retired and former members of the US Coast Guard. For further information visit our web site www.BSPAV.org or contact Ed at the above addresses or phone number.

HAWAII COAST GUARD RETIREE COUNCIL

The Hawaii Coast Guard Retiree Council will meet 1900 to 2100 at Club 14, Sand Island on the second Wednesday of every August, November, February, and May. Contact CAPT Lesperance at (808) 488-5205 or jlesperance@hawaii.rr.com if you have any questions.

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U.S. COAST GUARD NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FORMER STEWARDS AND STEWARDMATES INC.

When: 17-20 August 2006

Where: Savannah, GA

Contact: CPO William Bell, USCG, Ret
Phone: (301) 596-2908

or

Phone: CPO John Nixon, USCG, Ret
(386) 446-8575

USCGC COURIER (WAGR-410) REUNION

When: 14-19 May 2006

Where: Sahara Hotel/Casino
Las Vegas

Contact: Jim Miotke
Phone: (407) 678-3377
E-mail: Jimmiotke@earthlink.net

Tours of Hoover Dam and dinner cruise on Lake Meade are planned.

CUTTERS AROUND THE CONTINENT REUNION

When: To be determined (sometime in 2007)

Where: To be determined

Contact: Jim Loback
10436 Teal Circle
Fountain Valley, CA 92708

Phone: (714) 968-8964

The 50th anniversary of the historic voyage by *Storis*, *Bramble* and *Spar*, circumnavigating the North American continent during the summer of 1957, will be remembered with a reunion in 2007. Anyone who served on *Storis*, *Bramble* and *Spar* at any time are invited to attend. If any interest, please respond by e-mail to: StorisBrambleSpar@msn.com. Or visit the website: <http://www.storisbramblespar.org>. Please include your full name, rank or rate, address and name (s) of the vessels and approximate dates of your service.

NORTH TEXAS CG ASSOCIATION SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING/LUNCHEON

When: 29 April 2006

Where: Pappas Bar-B-Q
2231 W. NW Highway @ Lombardy
Dallas, TX

Contact: LCDR Judith Kramer
Phone: (972) 291-1843
E-mail: jakramer@swbell.net

COAST GUARD USS CALLAWAY (APA-35) 40TH REUNION

When: 18-22 September 2006

Where: Grantville, PA

Contact: Wallace E. Shipp
5319 Manning Place, NW
Washington, DC 20016

Phone: (202) 363-3663

2006 COAST GUARD INVITATIONAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

When: 5-8 July 2006

Where: Hot Springs, VA

Start planning now! The Headquarters' sponsored 2006 Coast Guard Invitational Golf Tournament is scheduled at "The Homestead", which is ranked among the world's finest Golf and Spa resorts. The tournament package, which is very reasonably priced, includes 3 nights of lodging, 4 rounds of golf (on 3 different courses), and two Banquets. The tournament is open to all active duty, reserve, retired, auxiliary, and civilian personnel of the Coast Guard as well as their dependents and guests. Sign-up deadline is 28 April. Detailed information can be found in COMDTNOTE 1710 on the internet at [http://www.uscg.mil/ccs/cit/cim/directives/CN/CN 1710 2005 11 21.pdf](http://www.uscg.mil/ccs/cit/cim/directives/CN/CN%201710%2005%2011%2021.pdf). Hope to see you there!

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The Owensboro Units Reunion for 2006 will be held on Saturday April 29, at the Oakridge Park Campgrounds, 1/2 mile west of Rockport, IN, the same time as last year. From I-64 or I-164, go east on route 66 toward Rockport, turn on Silverdale Road, which is next to Willis Used Car lot. We are starting at 1000 central time so we can visit before lunch which will start at 1300. Give an old shipmate a phone call and get them to join us. For more information contact Bill Symon at (812) 649-2721, cell (812) 686-2082; Les Allen, cell (502) 648-6900; or Don Kuster, cell (812) 327-4749; or Gene Radin at (859) 885-1236, e-mail gpradin@Juno.com

**“COAST GUARD INVESTIGATIVE ASSN (CGIA)
REUNION 2006”**

When: 14-17 June 2006

Where: Homestead Studio Suites
9701 North Shannon Avenue
Kansas City, MO

Phone: (816) 891-8600

Contact: Bruce Sheils
1869 Newport Road
Clinton, AR 72031

Phone: (501) 745-8502

E-mail: bruahm@webtv.net

Or: Ben Kenney
Phone: (816) 223-0610
E-mail: Ben.Kenney@bcbskc.com

Any and all former CG Intelligence Investigators (XI), Special Agents, District (oil) & (ole) Branch and Ass't Branch Chiefs and Staff, HQ (G-OIS) & (G-OLE) Branch and Ass't Branch Chiefs and Staff, Security Managers and Technicians, EPIC Watch Officers and Agents, and former and current CGIS members (including enlisted [both regular and reservists], officer [both regular and reservists], and civilian) are invited to attend.

GOVERNORS ISLAND REUNION

We would like to have a reunion for all Coast Guard members who were ever stationed on Governors Island during their career. For further information please contact Kathy Eby at (222) 333-4444 or e-mail her at keby219@yahoo.com.

NATIONAL RETIRED MILITARY GOLF CLASSIC

When: 30 May-3 June 2006

Where: Myrtle Beach, SC

Contact: National Retired Military Golf Classic
PO Box 3608
Myrtle Beach, SC 29578

Phone: 1 (800) 255-4763 or 1 (866) 469-7853

The 23rd annual National Retired Military Golf Classic will be played on five different golf courses at the Myrtle Beach National and Wildwing Plantation Golf Clubs. Only 872 men and 132 women will be accepted for this event, which is the largest retired military golf event in the world. Over \$150,000.00 in cash and prizes will be awarded. Applications will be mailed in early December 2005 to those on the mailing list. Applications will also be available at most of the military golf courses around the country. Priority will be given to those who have played in previous classics. After 1 February 2006, acceptance will be on a first come first served basis. A waiting list will be established once the classic is full. For applications call or write to the above phone numbers or address.

USCGC ROCKAWAY W-377 4TH REUNION

When: 27-29 October 2006

Where: Hilton Wilmington Riverside
301 N. Water Street
Wilmington, NC

Phone: (888) 324-8170

Contact: Frank Carlsson, CWO2, Ret

Phone: (352) 253-0588

E-mail: adselinc@aol.com

Tom McCarthy
TAD51@yahoo.com

Mail: CGC Rockaway Reunion
PO Box 1514
Tavares, FL 32778

Website: uscgc-rockaway.org

All Coast Guard, Navy shipmates interested in this reunion please contact Frank or Tom at the above addresses or phone numbers.

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70TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION 327' SECRETARY CLASS CUTTERS 1936-2006



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| USCGC DUANE | W-33 | USCGC HAMILTON | W-34 |
| USCGC INGHAM | W-35 | USCGC SPENCER | W-36 |
| USCGC TANEY W-37 | | | |

October 5th thru 8th, 2006, Mt. Pleasant, Patriots Point, SC.

Anyone who served on any of these 7-Sisters is invited to this once-in-a-lifetime event. Come one, come all, bring your sea stories, pictures, memorabilia, significant other, and enjoy your shipmates company. Hope to see you all there! **SEMPER PARATUS!**

HOTEL RATE is \$94.00 per room at Mt. Pleasant Holiday Inn, 250 Johnnie Dodds Blvd, Hwy 17, Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464. **Call 1-800-290-4004 to make your own reservations. Use Code: CGC**

ACTIVITY FEE is \$125.00 per person, includes admission to Patriots Point and all transportation plus Memorial Service presented by the Cutter *INGHAM* honoring 327 sailors who have crossed the bar, followed by luncheon on-board *USS Yorktown* (CV10) - Grand Photo dockside-Tour of Charleston Sites & Coast Guard 378's at the Navy Yard - Warren Lasch Conservation Center to see confederate submarine *H.L. Hunley*, Hospitality Room, Business Meetings, Ladies Tea, Gala Banquet. **Check payable to "327 Cutters Celebration" to Jim Kelly.**

FOR INFORMATION Contact Gordon Bell -- (215)-393-6195 or Jim Kelly, Treasurer, 40 Lisa Lane, Uncasville, CT 06382, (860) 848-1160 327CuttersCele@comcast.net All seven ships associations please notify your memberships. Thank you.

DEADLINE SEPTEMBER 15, 2006

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN REGISTRATION COUPON BELOW

ACTIVITY PACKAGE RESERVATION FEE = \$125.00 PER PERSON. Please make check payable to: "327 Cutters' Celebration" and send to: Jim Kelly, Secretary-Treasurer, USCGC Campbell Association, 40 Lisa Lane, Uncasville, CT 06382 Phone: 860-848-1160 e-Mail: jkelly3@earthlink.net

Name: _____ Spouse: _____ Phone: _____

Ship's Name: CGC _____ W- _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Name of Guest(s) Attending: _____ Date of Arrival: _____

Banquet Meals: Chicken _____ (Number) or Sirloin of Beef _____ (Number)

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COAST GUARD AIR/COSMIC AIRLINES

When: 21-24 May 2006

Where: Silver Legacy Resort Casino
407 N. Virginia St
Reno, NV

Contact: Pat Peden
P.O. Box 5413
Fallon, NV 89407

Phone: (775) 867-3029 (home)
(775) 722-7252 (cell)

E-mail: patpeden@phonewave.net

U. S. COAST GUARD CHIEF PETTY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION (CPOA)

When was the last time you saw an edition of The Chief Magazine? If it's been awhile, most likely your CPOA mailing address is not current. We are looking to reunite lost members and members not current in their \$24.00 annual dues with the CPOA. If your mailing address has changed or your USCG CPOA membership has lapsed and you are interested in reestablishing contact with the CPOA notify Command Master Chief Kevin Isherwood, National USCG CPOA Membership Chairman at (808)541-2083 or via email kisherwood@D14.uscg.mil

“Once a Chief, Always a Chief”

**“In Respect for those that have gone before us...as
a Guide for those that Follow.”**

USCGC CONFIDENCE (WMEC 619) REUNION FOR KODIAK BASED SHIPMATES (1967(?) TO 1984)

When: 21-23 April 2006

Where: Stratosphere Hotel
Las Vegas, NV

Website: <http://www.stratospherehotel.com/>
(This is a change from the Tropicana Hotel as stated in the last issue of Evening Colors)

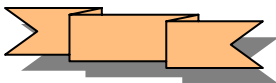
Contact: Mike Baugus
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or: Bob Kramer
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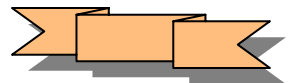
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Even if you can't make it this year, contact us to get your name on the mailing list. We've had lots of feedback from shipmates looking for fellow shipmates.

“There will be a Governor's Island 'Brats Only' reunion during the weekend of 4-6 August 2006 in New York City. Brats who grew up on Governor's Island from 1968 to 1985 are invited to attend this event. Rooms are being blocked at the Millennium Hotel on Broadway. Although we're still in the planning stages, there has been a tour of Governor's Island scheduled for Saturday, August 5th, and a dinner/dance also scheduled for that same day in one of the ballrooms. For more information, log on to the Brats website at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/GovernorsIslandBrats2> or contact Dawn Fenner at dreamer7772000@yahoo.com.”



NAUTICAL TERMS, PHRASES & TRIVIA



Tar, Jack Tar-

Tar, a slang term for a Sailor, has been in use since at least 1676. The term "Jack tar" was used by the 1780s. Early Sailors wore overalls and broad-brimmed hats made of tar-impregnated fabric called tarpaulin cloth. The hats, and the Sailors who wore them, were called tarpaulins, which may have been shortened to tars.

Letters to the Editor

CWO4 Bill Benedetto, USCG, Ret., is researching the *CGC Bibb* rescue of passengers and crew from the *Bermuda Sky Queen* in 1947 and would like to hear from anyone who was aboard the ship during that rescue. He can be reached at AtyBill@aol.com, or (503) 694-2886, or by mail at 32245 SW Boones Bend Road, Wilsonville, OR 97070.

Seeking PRINSENDAM Rescue Recollections

One of the mural themes included in the Class of 1962's Coast Guard Historical Murals project is the rescue of the passengers and crew of the *M/V PRINSENDAM* in the Gulf of Alaska in October 1980. There was no loss of life; 524 individuals were saved. www.uscga1962.org is the link to the mural project details.

I am seeking recollections and/or photos from individuals that participated in the rescue; whether in the air, on land or at sea. I'm requesting your first person account of the rescue events. This information will be given to the artist to assist in developing a mural that is historically correct. Regretfully, I will not be able to return submittals to you.

Some describe the *PRINSENDAM* rescue as the "greatest sea rescue ever". Please help us "tell" the story accurately with your first person recollections.

Thanking you in advance.

Len Pichini
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PRINSENDAM mural champion
5 Meadowood Drive
Exeter, NH 03833

This is a true sea story about a "real" Lightship, L.V. #92, a coal burner.

I enlisted in the Coast Guard in 1948 at the age of fourteen and served for 29 plus years. In 1950-1951 I was assigned to the "real" Lightship, L.V. #92. Roland Miller Sr., was the commanding officer and I was assigned as a seaman.

Lightship #92 was built as a coal burner about 1908. It had two large boilers for making steam, 90 ton coal bunkers and coal ports on both sides and a million cockroaches. The stoking was done by hand, approximately 1 ton a day on station and approximately 1 ton an hour underway at 6-8 knots.

The washing machine was a 10 gallon milk can, salt water, salt water soap and a toilet plunger as the agitator. The Lightship #92 was built as a coal burner and remained so until 1951 when she was decommissioned. She was never converted to diesel.

The Lightship #92 was relieved by Lightship #604, the Columbia River. The #604 has been decommissioned and moored in Astoria, Oregon.

In 1966 as a boot W-0/W-1, I was assigned to Lightship #605, Blunts Reef, as officer in charge. I made W-2 fourteen months later. I was relieved by Roland Miller Jr., son of my CO on L.V. #92 sixteen years later.

I believe the Lightship #92 was the last coal burner in the Coast Guard. There can't be a lot of "real" Lightship sailors still around.

Submitted by Eugene G Ostlund
CHBOSN W-4, USCG, Ret

CDR Eugene P. Baumann, USCG, Ret., is attempting to contact any former members of the rescue swimming team (SARWET) started at CG Air Station San Francisco in 1971. He can be reached at:

35739 Coy Creek Road
Gold Beach, OR 97444

Phone: (541) 247-2239

E-mail:
genensparkie694@harborside.com

Retired Coast Guard member looking for anyone that served aboard *CGC Ironwood* (WAGL 297) from 1953-1955 and was aboard during the atomic test in the South Pacific. Please write to:

Joseph A. Pace
5602 Aiken Rd
McKees Rocks, PA 15136-1206

Phone: (412) 787-2311

LT Frank W. Jurin, USCG, Ret., would like to hear from any member of the Coast Guard crew that served on the *Lorsta Cape Christian*, Baffin Island, Canada during the 1959-1960 tour. LT Ken Palfrey was the CO.

Contact LT Jurin at 6 Jefferson Dr., East Lyme, CT 06333-1224 or phone (860) 739-6091

Editor's notes**KEEPING RETIREE AND ANNUITANT SERVICES INFORMED**

There have been a few recent instances on retiree accounts where retirees failed to report the unfortunate passing of his/her spouse. It is critical when the spouse predeceases the retiree and Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) costs are being deducted for spouse coverage. In one of these cases, the spouse had predeceased the retiree 20 years prior to the retiree himself passing, and PSC (RAS) only became aware of the spouse's death during final pay processing. Title 31, U.S. Code 3702 states "A claim against the Government presented under this section must contain the signature and address of the claimant or an authorized representative. The claim must be received by the official responsible under subsection (a) for settling the claim or by the agency that conducts the activity from which the claim arises within 6 years after the claim accrues..." Following enactment of Public Law 107-314 (Bob Stump National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2003), for claims presented on or after December 2, 2002, waivers of the 6-year time limit can be made by the Secretary of Defense upon application by the secretary (Department of Homeland Security for U.S. Coast Guard) for amounts less than \$25,000. Any waivers submitted to Secretary of Department of Homeland Security would require clear documentation as to why the necessary information had not been reported in a timely fashion.

All retirees are reminded to inform PSC (RAS) as soon as possible following changes of marital status (divorce, death, annulment, marriage, just to mention some), death of a designated SBP beneficiary, or any other changes which could impact retired pay.

**SURVIVOR BENEFIT PLAN AND RESERVE
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ENROLLMENT**

Are you eligible to make an election to participate in the SBP during the open enrollment but don't know what your lump sum buy in would be? Now there is an easy way for you to find out. Simply log on to www.dod.mil/actuary/. Under the SBP Open Season tab, you will be able to calculate your monthly SBP Premium and the open enrollment buy in cost by following the easy to understand form. This tab also offers the cost, benefit, and future value of your 2005-2006 open season enrollment election.

Personnel Locator: If you are searching for an individual, we can help. Place your personal correspondence to that individual in a sealed envelope, making sure to include how they can get in touch with you. On the outside of that envelope, address it to them with their full name and rank/rate (for military). Please write your return address and attach a stamp on the envelope. Then, place that envelope in a larger envelope and address it to:

**Commanding Officer (RAS)
USCG Personnel Service Center
444 SE Quincy Street
Topeka, KS 66683-3591**

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U.S. Coast Guard Personnel Service Center
444 SE Quincy Street
Topeka, KS 66683-3591

E-mail: PSC-RASNewsletter@hrsic.uscg.mil

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(785) 339-2236

Need a corrected DD-214?

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Commander CGPC (ADM-3)
United States Coast Guard
4200 Wilson Blvd, Suite 1100
Arlington, VA 22203-1804

Please include your name, rank/rate, SSN, and date of retirement.

WHEN THE TIME COMES, WILL YOUR SURVIVOR KNOW?

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1. Department of Veterans Affairs Entitlements
2. Dependency Indemnity Compensation
3. Social Security
4. ID Cards
5. Burial Flags

After a retiree dies the survivor is faced with applying for many benefits, with little knowledge of the often very confusing processes. All this happens while they are trying to deal with overwhelming grief. To help answer the many questions during that stressful time we have simplified our *Survivor Information Booklet*. By taking the time now to review this booklet, gather the supporting documents that are required and filing them in a location from which they can be readily retrieved, you can help to ease the stress that is experienced during this time. To further assist your survivors, we have initiated an Express Annuity Start system to simplify the processing and expedite payment of benefits. To take advantage of this new system, fill out the Form PSC-1884, (found in booklet or on our website at <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/psc/forms/psc1884.pdf>) sign, date and return to us.

NOTE: For those requesting by mail, booklets are printed on-demand at this time. After submitting your request please be patient and they will be mailed as soon as available. Although the booklet and the online version were updated in January 2004, mainly to reflect correct phone numbers and to add Web Links, most information in previous editions is correct.

The booklet "**Information for Survivors of USCG, USCGR, and NOAA Retirees**" is available on our web site: <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/psc/survivorguide.pdf>.

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USCG Retirements

| Name | Rank | Date of Retirement | Years of Service |
|----------------------|-------|--------------------|------------------|
| ABERNETHY, BENTON | PS1 | 20050414 | 37 |
| ALBERTS, WILLIAM | MKC | 20051208 | 22 |
| ALVARADO, RAFAEL | EM1 | 20060101 | 23 |
| ANDERSON, MATTHEW | OS1 | 20060201 | 20 |
| APPEL, CLIFFORD | MK1 | 20051103 | 25 |
| ARCHAMBAULT, DANIEL | BM1 | 20051201 | 20 |
| ARENAS, ADOLFO | AET1 | 20051201 | 23 |
| ARTZ, ALAN | BMC | 20060101 | 24 |
| AUGUSTUS, ORIN | GM1 | 20051110 | 16 |
| BANKS, JOE | EMCM | 20060201 | 27 |
| BARR, ROBERT | BOSN3 | 20060101 | 24 |
| BECK, EMIL | MK2 | 20051201 | 23 |
| BEE, DOMINIQUE | LT | 20060201 | 26 |
| BEVILACQUA, ANTHONY | BMC | 20050421 | 38 |
| BEVILACQUA, JOHN | LCDR | 20060101 | 22 |
| BLACKMON, ROBERT | AMT1 | 20060201 | 20 |
| BLOODWORTH, ANTHONY | GM2 | 20051103 | 26 |
| BOISVERT, RICHARD | BM3 | 20051208 | 36 |
| BORSELLINO, FRANK | YNC | 20051201 | 24 |
| BOWLING, LAWRENCE | CAPT | 20060101 | 29 |
| BRANCH, ALBERT | AMT1 | 20060201 | 20 |
| BRANT, TERRY | ENG4 | 20051201 | 28 |
| BRESNAHAN, SUNNI | YN2 | 20051110 | 05 |
| BROWN, MICHAEL | MKC | 20051201 | 22 |
| BRYSON, GORDON | BM3 | 20060126 | 30 |
| BUETTNER, CARL | PS2 | 20030107 | 24 |
| BURCH, STEPHEN | CDR | 20030423 | 37 |
| BURGESS, DAVID | LCDR | 20051201 | 32 |
| BURGIN, RICHARD | FS1 | 20060108 | 38 |
| BURRINGTON, RANDAL | BMC | 20051201 | 20 |
| BUTLER, CLINTON | SN | 20051118 | 04 |
| BYRD, MELISSA | FS1 | 20051201 | 20 |
| CADIGAN, CORNELIUS | SK3 | 19991205 | 30 |
| CAMPBELL, ALLYN | ELC3 | 20051201 | 28 |
| CAMPBELL, WAYNE | AMTCS | 20060201 | 27 |
| CARREIRA, DENNIS | PSC | 20051121 | 36 |
| CARTER, JAMES | LT | 20051201 | 32 |
| CHAGNON, ARMAND | BMCS | 20051117 | 39 |
| CHELETTE, DEWEY | HS2 | 20060201 | 20 |
| CHRISTOFFERSON, OTTO | PSCM | 20051123 | 34 |
| COFFMAN, RICHARD | EM1 | 20060108 | 36 |
| COLLETTE, WILLIAM | MKCS | 20060102 | 38 |
| CONNELLY, RAYMOND | AETC | 20051201 | 20 |
| COOK, JAMES | ETCS | 20051201 | 20 |
| CRAIG, LARRY | MK1 | 20000620 | 15 |
| CRAWFORD, GERALD | SKC | 20060101 | 25 |
| CROCKETT, CYNTHIA | YN2 | 20060126 | 09 |
| CROWELL, BENJIMAN | GMCS | 20051201 | 28 |
| CUBBON, JANE | LCDR | 20050601 | 24 |
| CUESTA, CARLOS | LT | 20051201 | 27 |
| DAHILL, CHARLES | LCDR | 20051201 | 20 |
| DARLEY, TIMOTHY | LCDR | 20060101 | 26 |
| DAVIS, JOHN | MK1 | 20051112 | 34 |
| DAVIS, PAUL | AMTCS | 20051201 | 28 |
| DAY, LENNIE | AMTCS | 20060101 | 30 |
| DELMANZANO, HECTOR | SK2 | 20050924 | 29 |
| DELMARMOL, JOSEPH | IV1 | 20051108 | 36 |
| DICK, RANDALL | PERS4 | 20060201 | 30 |
| DIETSCH, MARTIN | LT | 20060101 | 28 |
| DIVITO, DARRELL | LCDR | 20060110 | 40 |
| DOMINGUEZ, DAVID | IT1 | 20051201 | 23 |
| DONOHUE, WILLIAM | HS1 | 20060201 | 29 |

| Name | Rank | Date of Retirement | Years of Service |
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| DOOLEY, GEORGE | BM1 | 20051222 | 28 |
| DRIEU, MICHAEL | CDR | 20051201 | 21 |
| DRUMMOND, WAYNE | PS1 | 20051102 | 38 |
| DUNCAN, STEPHEN | OSCS | 20051201 | 27 |
| DURYEA, PHILIP | BOSN3 | 20051201 | 22 |
| EAMES, DOUGLAS | CDR | 20060101 | 26 |
| EDGE, JOHN | MED4 | 20060201 | 30 |
| EVANS, GEORGE | BOSN4 | 20060101 | 30 |
| EVERY, WILLIAM | MKCS | 20060201 | 22 |
| FENNER, WAYNE | BMC | 20051220 | 27 |
| FERRICK, MICHAEL | PSS2 | 20060102 | 40 |
| FIELD, ROBERT | BMC | 20051201 | 20 |
| FISCUS, DONALD | PS1 | 20050603 | 37 |
| FLORES, TONY | F&S2 | 20060101 | 25 |
| FOGERSON, LARRY | CAPT | 20051209 | 35 |
| FORTNER, FREDERICK | MKC | 20060101 | 23 |
| FRANCK, LAURIE | LT | 20060201 | 26 |
| FRAZIER, JEFFREY | LT | 20051201 | 20 |
| FREEMAN, WAYNE | PS1 | 20051223 | 37 |
| FRITZ, JOSEPH | PS1 | 20051213 | 38 |
| GADSBY, GEORGE | BMCS | 20060201 | 22 |
| GAERTNER, CORBIE | YN1 | 20051201 | 20 |
| GALBRAITH, THOMAS | BM1 | 20051227 | 37 |
| GARCIA, JULIO | EMC | 20060201 | 24 |
| GARRISON, RODNEY | AETC | 20060101 | 24 |
| GARST, CHRIS | ENG4 | 20060201 | 31 |
| GEHRKE, WILLIAM | CDR | 20060122 | 37 |
| GEIBEL, BRETT | BMC | 20051201 | 20 |
| GERMOND, DANIEL | LCDR | 20060106 | 41 |
| GILES, GEORGE | YN1 | 20060113 | 40 |
| GILMORE, PATRICIA | LCDR | 20050820 | 32 |
| GITTLER, WILLIAM | LCDR | 20050601 | 20 |
| GOERTZ, MICHAEL | SN | 20051207 | 05 |
| GOLDSBY, MICHAEL | MSTC | 20060106 | 23 |
| GREELIS, THOMAS | FSC | 20051211 | 39 |
| GREER, JAMES | EMC | 20051201 | 23 |
| GREINER, STEVEN | MK1 | 20051201 | 21 |
| GRILL, THEODORE | YNC | 20051201 | 23 |
| HAAKENSEN, MICHAEL | PSC | 20060106 | 27 |
| HALL, EDWIN | BMCM | 20051201 | 20 |
| HALL, JOHN | MK1 | 20050816 | 39 |
| HALL, KEVIN | BM1 | 20060101 | 22 |
| HANAFEE, MARK | BM1 | 20051201 | 25 |
| HARDING, MICHAEL | AVI3 | 20060201 | 30 |
| HARRIS, DAVID | LT | 20060201 | 25 |
| HART, STEPHEN | CAPT | 20060115 | 34 |
| HARTLEY, DAVID | PS1 | 20040823 | 37 |
| HARTLINE, JOSEPH | BOSN4 | 20060101 | 29 |
| HAUSNER, ANDREW | MKC | 20051201 | 20 |
| HELLING, STEVEN | FS1 | 20060201 | 20 |
| HENDERSON, DAVID | MKC | 20051201 | 21 |
| HERNANDEZ, ALBERTO | MKCS | 20050801 | 25 |
| HERRING, LUTHER | BM2 | 20051208 | 33 |
| HIATT, RONALD | MKC | 20051201 | 22 |
| HICKEY, PATRICK | FSC | 20051213 | 40 |
| HILF, TIMOTHY | OSC | 20051201 | 21 |
| HINDS, LINDY | LTJG | 20051206 | 03 |
| HINTON, SCOTT | LCDR | 20051201 | 23 |
| HOGGARD, WESLEY | ETC | 20051107 | 27 |
| HOHOL, JOHN | FN | 20051104 | 04 |
| HOLCOMB, DONALD | BMC | 20051201 | 21 |

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| HOLZINGER, RONALD | MAT4 | 20051201 | 25 |
| HOYT, CHRISTY | PERS2 | 20051201 | 20 |
| HUGHES, JAMES | CAPT | 20051112 | 37 |
| HURLEY, GREGORY | AETC | 20051201 | 22 |
| HURST, JOHN | CDR | 20051201 | 21 |
| HUSTON, RICHARD | MKCS | 20051201 | 25 |
| HUYNH, PHUONG | AMTC | 20051201 | 24 |
| INOUE, KERRY | PSC | 20051116 | 35 |
| IVEY, JOHN | MKC | 20051201 | 26 |
| JENSEN, DANA | BOSN4 | 20051201 | 32 |
| JERDON, EDWARD | PS2 | 20051210 | 30 |
| JOHNSON, EDWARD | ET1 | 20051218 | 32 |
| JORDAN, DONOVAN | EMCS | 20051201 | 25 |
| KAYSER, THOMAS | BM2 | 20060111 | 38 |
| KELLY, ROBERT | FS1 | 20051222 | 31 |
| KENNEDY, BOBBY | MSS2 | 20060201 | 29 |
| KING, RONALD | BMC | 20060201 | 20 |
| KINNEY, JEFFREY | MKCS | 20051201 | 24 |
| KOCHER, STEVEN | AMTCS | 20060201 | 30 |
| KOSIOR, JOHN | MKC | 20060131 | 37 |
| KOSTER, FRANK | SKC | 20021003 | 29 |
| KOWZIC, KARLOTTA | HSC | 20060101 | 20 |
| LAES, MICHAEL | BM1 | 20051129 | 38 |
| LANEYMACLUAN, CARYN | MSS3 | 20060201 | 21 |
| LAPRARIE, HEATH | EM3 | 20051110 | 02 |
| LECOMTE, JAMES | BM3 | 20060201 | 20 |
| LEEPER, RANDELL | DCCS | 20051201 | 27 |
| LENNINGTON, RONNIE | MK1 | 20051201 | 20 |
| LENOIR, JOSEPH | LT | 20051201 | 23 |
| LEQUIEU, KENNETH | MK2 | 20051201 | 21 |
| LEWIS, CLINTON | PS2 | 20051027 | 06 |
| LEWIS, KARL | AVI3 | 20060201 | 26 |
| LIZOTTE, LEONARD | BM1 | 20001126 | 00 |
| LOCKHART, ROBERT | LCDR | 20051111 | 35 |
| LOLLEY, JONATHAN | BM1 | 20060201 | 20 |
| LOUDIN, JEFFERY | OS1 | 20051001 | 21 |
| LOVE, TIMOTHY | DC3 | 20051104 | 03 |
| LUCAS, RICHARD | LT | 20051201 | 26 |
| LUNDIN, JASON | AMT3 | 20051116 | 08 |
| LYFORD, WINSTON | YN1 | 20051216 | 22 |
| MAGUIRE, CHARLES | CAPT | 20060114 | 36 |
| MAKSON, FRANK | BMCS | 20051201 | 20 |
| MANDEL, ARYEHROBERT | DC3 | 20050901 | 25 |
| MANGAN, MICHAEL | CAPT | 20060101 | 27 |
| MARCHEWKA, RICHARD | PS1 | 20051105 | 27 |
| MARK, GARY | DC1 | 20060121 | 38 |
| MARSHALL, ROBERT | BOSN3 | 20051201 | 25 |
| MARTEN, ARNOLD | BMC | 20060101 | 23 |
| MARTINEZ, ANGEL | AVI3 | 20051201 | 22 |
| MARTINEZ, CARLOS | BOSN4 | 20060201 | 32 |
| MASTERS, STEVEN | LT | 20051201 | 25 |
| MATTEO, JOSEPH | YNC | 20051203 | 40 |
| MCCARTY, JACQUELINE | YNM | 20051201 | 30 |
| MCCLAIN, SHARRON | EM1 | 20060101 | 20 |
| MCCOY, GUY | FS2 | 20060201 | 21 |
| MCDOWELL, GILMORE | LCDR | 20030814 | 37 |
| MCMURRAN, JOHN | ET1 | 20060101 | 20 |
| MCMURRAY, THOMAS | PS1 | 20051110 | 37 |
| METJE, OTIS | BMC | 20051201 | 20 |
| MEYER, DOUGLAS | BOSN3 | 20051201 | 23 |
| MILLER, ANTHONY | AET2 | 20051104 | 06 |
| MINNICK, BROOKS | CDR | 20060101 | 21 |
| MOJICA, DENNIS | MK2 | 20060113 | 07 |
| MOOCHLER, DAVID | BMCS | 20051201 | 27 |
| MOORE, GARY | ELC4 | 20051201 | 29 |
| MORGAN, JACQUELINE | HS2 | 20060101 | 28 |
| MORPHIS, OLIVIA | BM3 | 20060110 | 05 |
| MORRIS, DAVID | AMTCM | 20060201 | 30 |
| MORROW, ROBERT | PS2 | 20051105 | 20 |
| MOSELEY, ROBERT | BMC | 20051201 | 20 |
| MOTLEY, DANNY | INV2 | 20060201 | 23 |

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| MUELLER, MICHAEL | PSS4 | 20051224 | 23 |
| MYERS, PHILIP | OS1 | 20060201 | 22 |
| NEFF, ANGELA | AMT3 | 20051116 | 04 |
| NETTLES, KIMBERLY | CDR | 20060201 | 20 |
| NICHELSON, JOSEPH | ET1 | 20060122 | 41 |
| NOLTING, DOUGLAS | AMTC | 20051201 | 21 |
| NORED, JOSEPH | MKC | 20051201 | 26 |
| NORMAN, RICHARD | BMCS | 20051201 | 20 |
| NOVELL, ANATOLE | EMCM | 20020130 | 34 |
| NUZZOLO, DONALD | F&S4 | 20051201 | 30 |
| OLEARY, DANIEL | OSS3 | 20051201 | 28 |
| OLSON, JAMES | ENG3 | 20060201 | 25 |
| OROZCO, LUIS | ETC | 20051201 | 20 |
| ORTIZ, MIGUEL | OS2 | 20051104 | 04 |
| OWEN, MICHAEL | FS1 | 20060115 | 41 |
| PACK, JAMES | PS3 | 20060112 | 36 |
| PARENT, FRANCIS | BOSN4 | 20051201 | 30 |
| PARTAIN, GARY | AMTC | 20051201 | 24 |
| PATELLA, DAVID | CDR | 20051207 | 38 |
| PEREZ, IVAN | IT1 | 20051201 | 20 |
| PERRY, REGINALD | BM1 | 20060201 | 27 |
| PETERSEN, CRAIG | LCDR | 20060201 | 25 |
| PETERSON, WILLIAM | CAPT | 20051201 | 29 |
| PETTEE, EDWARD | MKC | 20051201 | 20 |
| PHIPPS, RICHARD | AETC | 20060113 | 27 |
| PIKE, ANDREW | SK1 | 20051201 | 20 |
| PITTS, DANIEL | MK1 | 20060201 | 20 |
| PITTS, RYAN | BM3 | 20051208 | 05 |
| PLAGGE, CASEY | LCDR | 20060201 | 20 |
| PLAIN, RANDY | PSC | 20060127 | 37 |
| FLOWMAN, RONALD | DC1 | 20051201 | 20 |
| POPLAWSKY, ALEXANDER | OSS2 | 20060201 | 24 |
| PRICE, KIMBERLY | PERS2 | 20060201 | 21 |
| PULSE, JAMES | ELC2 | 20051206 | 22 |
| RAUSCH, STEPHEN | CDR | 20060201 | 21 |
| RAWLINGS, GEORGE | F&S4 | 20051107 | 41 |
| REBROOK, KEVIN | LCDR | 20060201 | 20 |
| REED, ANTHONY | SKC | 20051201 | 21 |
| REES, PAUL | MKCM | 20051201 | 22 |
| RIBBLE, LOUIS | GM1 | 20051201 | 25 |
| RICHARDS, VANCE | ELC2 | 20060201 | 24 |
| RIDDERMAN, DUANE | OSS3 | 20060201 | 24 |
| RIDLEY, JOHN | PSS3 | 19991109 | 40 |
| RINEHART, RICKEY | ITC | 20051201 | 20 |
| RODRIGUEZ, ANGEL | BMC | 20051201 | 23 |
| RODRIGUEZ, FRANKIE | YN2 | 20051201 | 20 |
| ROOF, DONALD | BM2 | 20030922 | 24 |
| ROUNDY, DAVID | CDR | 20051229 | 37 |
| ROYER, JEFFREY | BOSN4 | 20060201 | 28 |
| RUHLEN, SHANNON | FN | 20051110 | 02 |
| RUTAN, ROBERT | MKC | 20051201 | 20 |
| RYAN, JESSICA | YN2 | 20060113 | 09 |
| SALTER, EDWARD | MKCM | 20051201 | 22 |
| SANCHEZROLON, HARRY | MK2 | 20050211 | 05 |
| SANCHEZSOSTRE, ORLANDO | LT | 20051116 | 20 |
| SANDBERG, ROBERT | BM2 | 20050331 | 34 |
| SANTIAGO, OSCAR | BM2 | 20051202 | 37 |
| SAPP, DAVID | OSC | 20060101 | 23 |
| SAUERS, RONALD | MK2 | 20060121 | 36 |
| SHELLHASE, ROBERT | LT | 20050818 | 39 |
| SCHENK, MATTHEW | AMTCM | 20051201 | 29 |
| SCHMIDT, WILLIAM | YN1 | 20051201 | 26 |
| SCHMIDT, WOLFGANG | AETC | 20051201 | 26 |
| SCHULTZ, JIMMY | MKCS | 20051201 | 26 |
| SCHUSTER, RICHARD | EMCS | 20051201 | 25 |
| SCIUTO, JOSEPH | LCDR | 20051107 | 31 |
| SEAGRAVE, RICHARD | CDR | 20051201 | 37 |
| SEDERSTROM, ANTHONY | LT | 20060201 | 26 |
| SEE, PAUL | ETC | 20051101 | 26 |
| SHAPLEY, GREGORY | CAPT | 19990716 | 26 |

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| SHERMAN, DENNIS | ENG4 | 20051201 | 32 |
| SHERMAN, EDWARD | MSTC | 20051104 | 36 |
| SHINE, BRIAN | MSS4 | 20051201 | 26 |
| SIMONIS, ROBERT | AMTC | 20051201 | 24 |
| SINCLAIR, ALAN | MK1 | 20051207 | 35 |
| SISK, RAY | BOSN4 | 20051201 | 28 |
| SLOAN, ROBERT | BMCM | 20051201 | 23 |
| SMITH, ARTHUR | LCDR | 20051103 | 35 |
| SMITH, AUGUSTA | MKC | 20060128 | 28 |
| SMITH, BENJAMIN | PS2 | 20051103 | 04 |
| SMITH, DOUGLAS | PSS4 | 20051207 | 33 |
| SMITH, KEVIN | LT | 20051201 | 26 |
| SMITH, LEONARD | F&S4 | 20060201 | 30 |
| SMITH, RALPH | CAPT | 20050921 | 38 |
| SNYDER, NICHOLE | SN | 20051110 | 02 |
| SOULE, STEVEN | ENG3 | 20060201 | 27 |
| SPECHT, JAMES | PO1 | 20021009 | 38 |
| SPERANZA, JOHN | F&S4 | 19991129 | 41 |
| SPONHOLZ, GARY | LCDR | 20060101 | 30 |
| SPRUILL, PATTIE | YNC | 20060201 | 22 |
| STARGELL, JAMES | LT | 20060201 | 27 |
| STEPHENS, KEVIN | BMC | 20060101 | 22 |
| STRAMANDI, NICHOLAS | CAPT | 20051207 | 37 |
| STRATTON, KEVIN | AVI4 | 20060201 | 27 |
| SWANCARA, DAVID | ENG4 | 20060201 | 26 |
| TANGUAY, DANIEL | LT | 20060101 | 20 |
| THOMAS, ARTHUR | AMTCM | 20051201 | 28 |
| TIBBETTS, WAYNE | FS2 | 20060115 | 39 |
| TICE, VEVERIT | PS1 | 20051204 | 24 |
| TILDEN, CHARLES | FS1 | 20051104 | 13 |
| TOMASZEWSKI, JOHN | BMC | 20060201 | 23 |
| TREADWAY, MARK | ETC | 20051201 | 25 |
| TUPMAN, ALAN | FSCS | 20051201 | 30 |
| TURNER, WILLIAM | BMCS | 20051201 | 22 |
| VALERIO, MICHAEL | CAPT | 20060201 | 26 |
| VANSICKEL, BRIAN | FS2 | 20050822 | 13 |
| VONENGEL, MICHAEL | BMC | 20051201 | 25 |
| WALKER, RICHARD | LCDR | 20060106 | 37 |
| WHITE, GREGORI | FS3 | 20051104 | 03 |
| WHITFIELD, HENRY | BMC | 20060131 | 40 |
| WILLIAMS, FRANK | DC1 | 20051201 | 24 |
| WILLIAMS, GARY | LCDR | 20051201 | 28 |
| WILLIAMS, SYLVESTER | DC1 | 20051201 | 25 |
| WILSON, MICHAEL | SKCS | 20060101 | 22 |
| WILSON, WESLEY | LCDR | 20051212 | 34 |
| WILTSEY, THOMAS | OSCM | 20050927 | 38 |
| WOLFF, CHRISTIANE | YN2 | 20051217 | 26 |
| WOLLNY, JOHN | MKC | 20051201 | 20 |
| WOODWARD, YANCEY | MSTC | 20051118 | 29 |
| WYATT, STEVEN | ELC3 | 20060201 | 26 |
| YELACHICH, MICHAEL | MK1 | 20051206 | 40 |
| ZIGLAR, CHRISTOPHER | SN | 20051110 | 03 |



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| BULMER, GARY | CAPT | 20060201 | 26 |
| FINKE, MARK | CAPT | 20060101 | 28 |
| KENNEDY, PHILIP | CAPT | 20060201 | 20 |
| POSTON, ROBERT | CDR | 20051201 | 20 |

Congratulations to all

Correction

In the January-March 2006 issue of the Evening Colors, I mistakenly used the phrase 'Passing the Bar' vice 'Crossing the Bar', in reference to the passing of VADM Paul E. Trimble, a former Vice Commandant of the Coast Guard. Several readers informed me of my error. For this I thank you and offer my sincerest apologies to all.

CROSSING THE BAR By Alfred, Lord Tennyson

Sunset and evening star,
And one clear call for me!
And may there be no moaning of the bar,
When I put out to sea,

But such a tide as moving seems asleep,
Too full for sound and foam,
When that which drew from out the boundless deep
Turns again home.

Twilight and evening bell,
And after that the dark!
And may there be no sadness of farewell,
When I embark;

For tho' from out our bourne of Time and Place
The flood may bear me far,
I hope to see my Pilot face to face
When I have crost the bar.

TAX TIME QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Income tax deadline is right around the corner! April 15th falls on a Saturday so the IRS extended the deadline to the 17th of April. The following checklist will help you file your 2005 taxes.

Correcting a previous tax return? If you have any corrections to prior years returns, you only have 3 years to file an amended tax return. Use Form 1040X for this.

Do you need additional time to file your return? If you do, you need to file Form 4848, which provides a 6 month extension. This is only an extension to file, you still need to pay 90 percent of taxes owed by April 17th.

Have you reviewed your tax return? Be sure to check your tax return, even if you have a tax preparer complete the form for you. Your refund could be delayed or you could cause unwanted IRS scrutiny if something is amiss on your return.



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| LAST NAME | FIRST NAME | RANK | DATE | CITY | STATE |
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| ACHIN | ALFRED | BTCS | 20051118 | VALENCIA | CA |
| ADAMS | EDSON | BM1 | 20051202 | HILLSBOROUGH | CA |
| ADAMS | FRANK | CHRELE2 | 20051129 | SURF CITY | NJ |
| ADLER | STEVEN | EM2 | 20051201 | JACKSONVILLE | FL |
| AMADOR | CESAR | SSCS | 20051224 | ASTORIA | OR |
| ANDERSON | WILLIAM | ENC | 20051118 | LAKELAND | FL |
| ARINTOK | SERGIO | SS1 | 20051119 | FAIRFIELD | CA |
| ARMSTRONG | ALLEN | CAPT | 20051224 | LA JOLLA | CA |
| BAILEY | JAMES | LT | 20051217 | RENO | NV |
| BANKS | MELVIN | BMC | 20060118 | RENTON | WA |
| BATES | ROBERT | DC1 | 20051216 | WORTHVILLE | KY |
| BETCHEL | KENNETH | MAT3 | 20060118 | WELLINGTON | CO |
| BLANK | ALBERT | SKC | 20060111 | SILVER SPRING | MD |
| BRITTON | DAVID | FN | 20051213 | FRENCH GULCH | CA |
| BROWNING | RALPH | ENCM | 20051118 | BURLESON | TX |
| BRUCE | THOMAS | ETCS | 20060121 | NOCONA | TX |
| BRYANT | LAVAUGHN | ENC | 20060128 | LAKE CITY | FL |
| BUCKLEY | FRANCIS | CAPT | 20060131 | WASHINGTON | DC |
| BUELOW | RICHARD | MMC | 20060110 | ANAHEIM | CA |
| CARTER | BRUCE | BM2 | 20060105 | HANCOCK | ME |
| CHARNOCK | LINWOOD | QMC | 20051229 | LAUREL | DE |
| CHASSEREAU | JOHN | AMC | 20051129 | ST PETERSBURG | FL |
| CHAVONELLE | ARTHUR | ELC4 | 20051225 | PALM BAY | FL |
| CHIAPPERINO | ANGELO | CWO4 | 20051213 | DELRAY BEACH | FL |
| CHINNIS | JOSEPH | MK1 | 20051213 | RAVENEL | SC |
| CHRISTOFFERSON | OTTO | PSCM | 20051123 | LIVERPOOL | NY |
| CORPORON | DAN | RMC | 20060131 | HOMESTEAD | FL |
| COX | LLOYD | BMC | 20051204 | BALTIMORE | MD |
| CRUZ | BIENVENIDO | SSC | 20051224 | MYSTIC | CT |
| DANCEL | ELPIDIO | SSC | 20060106 | EL MIRAGE | AZ |
| DANIELS | GARY | F&S2 | 20051226 | SAN DIEGO | CA |
| DAVIS | DONNIE | BMCS | 20060105 | HARKERS ISLAND | NC |
| DAVIS | THERON | CDR | 20051230 | SAN RAFAEL | CA |
| DEFRANCE | JOSEPH | CDR | 20051202 | EUGENE | OR |
| DEWEY | GEORGE | BM1 | 20051218 | SEATTLE | WA |
| DOYLE | MOREY | CDR | 20060118 | SYRACUSE | IN |
| ELLIS | MELVIN | LCDR | 20051211 | MILL CREEK | WA |
| ESCHETE | LOUIS | ADC | 20060208 | SEMMES | AL |
| EVANS | ROBERT | BMCM | 20051222 | SCOTTSDALE | AZ |
| FAULKINGHAM | JOHN | ENC | 20051231 | ZEPHYRHILLS | FL |
| FLANIGAN | EVERETT | ENC | 20051109 | HOT SPRINGS | AR |
| FLEENER | DONALD | HMCM | 20051205 | LONG BEACH | CA |
| FORTE | DON | ETC | 20051225 | HUNTSVILLE | AL |
| FRIED | ARTHUR | CDR | 20051227 | BETHESDA | MD |
| GALLOWAY | GRADY | CDR | 20051126 | CARY | NC |
| GIRONDA | JOSEPH | SN | 20051226 | ALBUQUERQUE | NM |

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| GONZALEZ | HECTOR | SS2 | 20051224 | PANARAC | FL |
| GRAY | ARTHUR | RMC | 20060111 | BARBOURSVILLE | WV |
| GRAY | ERVING | BMC | 20060124 | AVON | NC |
| GREENWOOD | GARY | BMC | 20060120 | BUZZARDS BAY | MA |
| GRIFFIN | ROBERT | PSC | 20051227 | TITUSVILLE | FL |
| HAGAN | ROBERT | CDR | 20051103 | SAVANNAH | GA |
| HILDEBRANDT | PHILIP | CAPT | 20051116 | SUMMERLAND | MD |
| HOLSTEIN | NORMAN | ATC | 20060204 | SAN DIEGO | CA |
| HUG | CHARLES | ENG4 | 20051205 | MAKAWAO | HI |
| JERUE | LEONARD | SKCS | 20051213 | TEXAS CITY | TX |
| JOHNSON | BILLY | BMC | 20051129 | KANSAS CITY | MO |
| JOHNSON | DONALD | EMCM | 20060102 | MIDDLESEX | NJ |
| KENNY | STEPHEN | BMC | 20051220 | INVERNESS | FL |
| KEYERLEBER | PHILIP | PS1 | 20060207 | MENTOR | OH |
| KING | RAYMOND | BMC | 20051228 | OAKDALE | CT |
| KUBICEK | LUDVIK | ETCS | 20051225 | CLEBURNE | TX |
| LEE | BRUCE | MMC | 20051116 | CLAYTON | NJ |
| LOCHIATTO | MARIO | SKC | 20060130 | ABINGTON | MA |
| LOCKWOOD | CHARLES | LT | 20060117 | WHITE | GA |
| LOWELL | JAMES | CAPT | 20051222 | SUPPLY | NC |
| LUCAS | FRANKLIN | BMCM | 20060107 | STEWART | OH |
| LUCHUN | ROBERT | CAPT | 20060217 | BALLWIN | MO |
| MACKHALE | ROBERT | MK1 | 20060115 | PORT OCONNOR | TX |
| MALINOVSKY | CASIMIR | F&S3 | 20060123 | WOODBIDGE | VA |
| MCCARRON | WILLIAM | LT | 20051117 | ANDERSON | CA |
| MCCOY | HAROLD | QMC | 20051111 | TALLAHASSEE | FL |
| MCGOWAN | MARVIN | TTCS | 20060209 | STUART | FL |
| MERRILL | ROBERT | BMC | 20060128 | OBRIEN | OR |
| MERRITT | WILLIAM | PERS4 | 20060130 | LARGO | FL |
| MILLER | CLARENCE | LCDR | 20051214 | CHARLESTON | SC |
| MILLER | NOEL | DCC | 20060206 | JACKSONVILLE | FL |
| MILLETT | ROGER | CAPT | 20051127 | HUNTINGTON BC | CA |
| MOCH | LEWIS | SPCK2 | 20060106 | LOS ANGELES | CA |
| MONTAGUE | JAMES | SD1 | 20060107 | NEW BEDFORD | MA |
| MOORE | RONALD | YN1 | 20051208 | PINELLAS PK | FL |
| MORGAN | JIMMIE | BMC | 20051218 | NORFOLK | VA |
| MORRIS | KENNETH | LCDR | 20060124 | BATESVILLE | IN |
| MORTON | WYCLIFFE | CWO3 | 20060114 | ENUMCLAW | WA |
| MOSCOTTA | JOSEPH | BMC | 20051204 | ROSEVILLE | MI |
| MURPHY | PETER | CAPT | 20060113 | MANAHAWKIN | NJ |
| NICHOLAS | DALE | MUC | 20060105 | MESA | AZ |
| OBENLAND | CHARLES | BMC | 20051230 | ST LOUIS | MO |
| ONEILL | WILLIAM | F&S4 | 20060101 | NICEVILLE | FL |
| PAGEL | HOWARD | CAPT | 20051127 | FRISCO | CO |
| PARKER | MORRIS | CAPT | 20051112 | SHREVEPORT | LA |
| PARKS | ROBERT | CAPT | 20051127 | NORTHRIDGE | CA |
| PASSAFARO | DOMINIC | ETC | 20060126 | ST PETERSBURG | FL |
| PATTERSON | ROBERT | ATC | 20060108 | ALBUQUERQUE | NM |
| PAUL | ROBERT | MUC | 20051215 | NIANTIC | CT |
| PAYNE | TRUXTON | BOSN4 | 20051227 | CHESAPEAKE | VA |
| PENNY | ROBERT | BOSN3 | 20051222 | MESA | AZ |
| PETERS | DAVID | ELC2 | 20051224 | KEWASKUM | WI |
| PETRUSAWICH | ANTHONY | SSCS | 20051219 | OKLAHOMA CITY | OK |

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| PHILBRICK | GEORGE | CDR | 20060201 | PALM BAY | FL |
| POLIKOFF | SAUL | ET1 | 20060131 | LONG BEACH | NY |
| PREISS | SAMUEL | CDR | 20051117 | CAPON BRIDGE | WV |
| PRICE | BENJAMIN | SKC | 20060205 | CHESAPEAKE | VA |
| QUICK | WILLIAM | TTC | 20051204 | ORMOND BEACH | FL |
| RALSTON | RICHARD | EN1 | 20051117 | MIDDLEBURG HG | OH |
| REINHART | EDMUND | YNC | 20051126 | PORT ANGELES | WA |
| RIFFLE | JOSEPH | AMC | 20051204 | MIDDLETOWN | MD |
| RILEY | WARREN | F&S4 | 20051225 | NAPERVILLE | IL |
| ROBINSON | ROBERT | SS1 | 20051122 | ATLANTIC | NC |
| ROCHA | LOUIS | YNCS | 20060109 | CAHOKIA | IL |
| RUDEBAUGH | ROY | MK1 | 20051205 | SUMNER | WA |
| SANCHEZSOSTRE | ORLANDO | LCDR | 20051116 | HOMESTEAD | FL |
| SANDY | RAYMOND | DCC | 20051207 | SAN RAMON | CA |
| SCHMITZ | FRANK | CAPT | 20060108 | RENTON | WA |
| SCOVEL | CLINTON | BMCM | 20060106 | BULLHEAD CITY | AZ |
| SENN | GEORGE | CWO4 | 20060208 | DOVER | NH |
| SHADDIX | LARRY | MK1 | 20051117 | ST PETERSBURG | FL |
| SIRMANS | GLENN | MK1 | 20051110 | LEBANON | TN |
| SMITH | HERBERT | EMC | 20060109 | CRISFIELD | MD |
| SMITH | ROBERT | BMCM | 20060111 | LEAVENWORTH | KS |
| SMITH | ROYAL | RMCS | 20060128 | CHESAPEAKE | VA |
| SMITH | WILLIAM | QM1 | 20051122 | FRAMINGHAM | MA |
| SNELSON | GARY | MKC | 20060204 | WILLARD | MO |
| SOBCZAK | DONALD | BM3 | 20051220 | MAUMEE | OH |
| SOWDER | CHARLES | DC1 | 20051222 | SALEM | IN |
| SPEAS | LARRY | YNCM | 20051127 | BERTHA | MN |
| SPEER | HARLAND | ENG2 | 20051210 | CENTRAL LAKE | MI |
| STAUBER | EDWARD | CDR | 20060203 | DULUTH | MN |
| STRAUBINGER | VICTOR | MKC | 20060131 | ENGLEWOOD | FL |
| STRITZINGER | JOHN | IVCS | 20060101 | CARRIERE | MS |
| SULLIVAN | RUSSELL | CAPT | 20060107 | PENSACOLA | FL |
| TAYLOR | JOHN | CAPT | 20051201 | PEORIA | IL |
| THOMAS | OLIVER | QMCM | 20051214 | NEDERLAND | TX |
| TOCZYLOWSKI | JOSEPH | YNC | 20051221 | ADELPHI | MD |
| TODD | JOHN | SA | 20051231 | PEACHTREE CIT | GA |
| TOLER | SIDNEY | BMC | 20051229 | KITTY HAWK | NC |
| TRAHAN | WAYNE | MKC | 20051208 | BOURNE | MA |
| TURNER | DONALD | RMC | 20060205 | HASTINGS | MI |
| TWILLEY | EDWARD | MSTC | 20051216 | ATMORE | AL |
| VANRY | ANTON | CS1 | 20051117 | ALRINGTON | WA |
| VARANKO | STEPHEN | CAPT | 20060205 | WHITEHALL | PA |
| WALSH | CHARLES | ENG3 | 20051203 | TEQUESTA | FL |
| WARREN | HARVEY | GMC | 20060208 | CORNELIA | GA |
| WATTAM | CLIFFORD | BOSN4 | 20060123 | BUCHANAN | TN |
| WEBER | HAROLD | LT | 20060212 | SAN BENITO | TX |
| WERT | KENNETH | AVT1 | 20051210 | WILLIAMSPORT | PA |
| WHITE | ROBERT | CDR | 20060117 | ALTAMONTE SPR | FL |
| WILHELM | RICHARD | SKC | 20050128 | SAN FRANCISCO | CA |
| WILKERSON | DAVID | STCM | 20060114 | FREWSBURG | NY |
| WINOWIECKI | IRWIN | MKC | 20060211 | TRAVERSE CITY | MI |
| WOOSTER | CHARLES | EMC | 20060211 | PINELLAS PARK | FL |
| YACKOVETSKY | ANDREW | SCLK4 | 20051121 | MYSTIC | CT |

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| PAPE | ROBERT | LT | 20051210 | FLAGLER BEACH | FL |
| WATKINS | JOHN | CAPT | 20051123 | LYNNWOOD | WA |


Dependent TAPS


| Name of Dependent | Relationship | Date of Death | Location |
|-----------------------|--|---------------|--------------------|
| Nettie Jane Riggins | Wife of MKCS Ronald J. Riggins, USCG, Ret | 05 Dec 05 | Lufkin, TX |
| Gayle A. Hilla | Wife of ENC Steven A. Hilla, USCG, Ret | 12 Jul 05 | Virginia Beach, VA |
| Linda Lee Benoit | Wife of MK1 Robert Vincent Benoit Sr., USCG, Ret | 13 Nov 04 | Kalkaska, MI |
| Amanda B. Shifflett | Wife of DC1 Donald A. Shifflett, USCG, Ret | 15 Nov 05 | Pensacola, FL |
| Kinney M. Pender | Wife of CWO2 Richard L. Pender, USCG, Ret | 02 Jan 06 | Traverse City, MI |
| Marian Sue Wolf | Wife of YN1 Jerry W. Wolf, USCG, Ret | 03 Dec 05 | Starkville, MS |
| Kathleen Mary Keeseey | Wife of SK1 Christopher D. Keeseey, USCG, Ret | 26 Dec 05 | Chesapeake, VA |
| Frances Partington | Wife of FSCS James J. Partington, USCGR, Ret | 22 Dec 05 | Schenectady, NY |
| Kathryn Anne Southard | Daughter of CWO3 Thomas S. Southard, USCG, Ret | 10 Jun 04 | Woodbridge, VA |
| Carolyn J. Jones | Wife of CWO4 Graham Jones, USCG, Ret | 10 Jan 06 | Newport News, VA |
| David Thomas Stach | Son of MK1 Walter E. Stach, USCG, Ret | 11 Feb 04 | Joplin, MO |
| Evelyn Weibelt | Wife of BMCS Ronald J. Weibelt, Sr., USCG, Ret | 08 Jul 05 | Rockwell, TX |
| Lillian I. Stewart | Wife of CDR Milton John Stewart, USCG, Ret | 26 Jan 06 | Ocala, FL |
| Carol Jean Jensen | Wife of ATC Louis Jensen, USCG, Ret | 04 Feb 06 | Wasilla, AK |
| Trella D. Atkins | Wife of SSC R. H. (Bud) Atkins, USCG, Ret | 16 Jan 06 | Oklahoma City, OK |
| Bonnie J. Fisch | Wife of CWO4 Jerry D. Fisch, USCG, Ret | 25 Feb 06 | Sequim, WA |
| Margaret A. McDermott | Wife of QMC Frederick G. McDermott, USCG, Ret | 03 Feb 06 | Burbank, CA |
| Sandra D. Huechtker | Wife of CWO4 Edward D. Huechtker, USCG, Ret | 23 Feb 06 | Fultondale, AL |

If you have lost a loved one and would like their name printed in Dependent TAPS, please contact PSC-RAS@hrsic.uscg.mil with their name, date of death, your name and retired rank, and city/state of residence. RAS will make appropriate updates and then forward to the Evening Colors Editor. Or you can send your request in writing and mail to: Commanding Officer (RAS), Personnel Service Center, 444 SE Quincy Street, Topeka, KS 66683-3591. You may also fax your request to (785) 339-3770.

**VA and HHS to Target Diabetes, Obesity among American Veterans
February 27, 2006**

Veterans Are More Likely to Have Diabetes

WASHINGTON – With obesity and deadly diabetes at significantly higher levels among America's veterans, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) have announced a coordinated campaign to educate veterans and their families about ways to combat these health issues.

"Inactive lifestyles and unhealthy eating habits can cause needless suffering for America's veterans," said the Honorable R. James Nicholson, Secretary of Veterans Affairs. "Obesity and diabetes are major threats to the health and lifestyles of our veterans, deserving a robust campaign to better educate them on healthy habits."

Veterans are more likely than the general population to have diabetes, one of the major complications associated with being overweight. According to the American Diabetes Association, 7 percent of the U.S. population has diabetes, and the rate increases with age. Among veterans receiving VA health care, who are on average older than the general population, the rate is 20 percent.

"Central to our goal of controlling the cost of health care is the promotion of wellness, fitness and the prevention of chronic disease. We are working to encourage Americans to adopt a healthy lifestyle and to take responsibility for making wise choices to improve their fitness and health," said HHS Secretary Mike Leavitt.

In a news conference here today, Secretary Nicholson, HHS Secretary Leavitt, Surgeon General Dr. Richard H. Carmona and VA Under Secretary for Health Dr. Jonathan B. Perlin announced the start of a campaign called "HealthierUS Veterans" – a multi-pronged educational effort to spawn healthy eating and physical activity among veterans, their families and members of their communities.

VA medical centers will promote nutrition and exercise with local groups in 40 communities that receive grants from HHS in a program called "Steps to a HealthierUS."

"Our service men and women are known for their extraordinarily high levels of fitness," said Perlin. "We want our veterans to be identified the same way."

Overweight patients receiving VA health care may participate in weight loss programs tailored to their needs. They may also receive pedometers, diet advisories and "prescriptions" suggesting how much to walk -- or, in the case of wheelchair users, how much to roll.

The two secretaries also plan to kick off regional educational campaigns this spring in four cities where VA and HHS Steps programs collaborate. Local celebrities and members of veterans service organizations will be invited to participate.

In May, the "HealthierUS Veterans" program will participate with the President's Council on Physical Fitness during the council's annual rally in Washington.

(Source: VA News Release)

Attention all VA Patients: Refill your Prescriptions Online!

You can **now use My Health_eVet to refill your VA prescriptions and view your VA prescription history online!** Online prescription refill was the most popular request for My Health_eVet. So, you asked for it, and now it's here! This service is designed exclusively for VA patients to manage medications prescribed by VA doctors. To access Prescription Refill, you need to be a registered user of My Health_eVet. As a registered user, you will also have access to Personal Health Journal where you can record and track your health statistics online. If you are not a registered user, register by logging on to: <http://www.myhealth.va.gov/> and then click on **Register Now**.

Log on to: http://www.myhealth.va.gov/ShowDoc/MHV/help/rxrefill_training_vets/index.htm to learn how to use Prescription Refill. It's easy!

RETIREE AND ANNUITANT SERVICES (RAS) CUSTOMER SERVICE SURVEY

RAS will no longer be sending out customer service surveys via mail. You can access the survey at <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/psc/ras/survey.htm> or you can complete this survey and mail to us at:

**COMMANDING OFFICER (RAS)
USCG PERSONNEL SERVICE CENTER
444 SE QUINCY STREET
TOPEKA, KS 66683-3591**

OR: you may fax this survey to us at (785) 339-3770, attention Caroline Kern

Please take a few minutes to fill out this survey. Your input is important to us.

Contact Information indicated by * is only required so that we may respond to you or address your concern:

1. *Name: _____

2. *E-mail address: _____

3. *Employee ID Number: _____

4. *Trouble-Ticket Number: _____

5. What is your Status?

Retiree Annuitant NOAA
 Active Duty Reserve Auxiliary Civilian

6. Why did you contact PSC?

Retired/Annuitant Pay
 Password reset (TPAX, Direct Access or TOPTS) Direct Access issue
 Travel/TPAX Claim or settlement issue/question Pay Problem
 Advancements Enlisted Employee Review Other

7. What Branch did you contact?

Retiree/Annuitant Services (RAS) Customer Care (CC)
 Advancements (ADV) Information Division (ID)
 Legal (LGL) Military Accounts Support (MAS)
 Procedures & Development (P&D) Separations (SES)
 Travel (TVL)

8. Method of Contact:

Phone E-Mail Fax Web Page
 Letter CG Message In-Person

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9. A response/resolution was provided within:

The Same Day The Next Day
 The Third Day Longer
 No Response/Resolution Received

10. The response was:

Timely/Acceptable Untimely/Unacceptable

11. The knowledge of your customer service representative was:

Very Good Good
 Poor Very Poor
 Not Applicable (If No Response/Resolution Received)

12. The professionalism of your customer service representative was:

Very Good Good
 Poor Very Poor
 Not Applicable (If No Response/ Resolution Received)

13. The PSC process for getting your concerns resolved was:

Very Good Good Poor Very Poor

14. In thinking about your most recent experience with PSC, the overall quality of customer service you received was:

Very Good Good Poor Very Poor

15. What could have been done to serve you better? (Please use the space below to provide any comments)

Personnel Service Center, Retiree & Annuitant Services (RAS) - Directory Assistance

Questions, Address or Direct-Deposit Changes

If you need information or have questions about:

- ◆ Your retired or Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) annuity payments
- ◆ Your Retired/Annuitant Statement
- ◆ IRS Form 1099R (reporting taxable income)

or you need to change:

- ◆ Your home mailing address (for Retired/Annuitant Statement, newsletter, 1099R)
- ◆ Your financial institution or account number for your direct deposit
- ◆ Report a change to your Designation of Beneficiary for Payment of Unpaid Retired Pay (Note: Use Form *CG PSC-3600 Designation of Beneficiary for Payment of Unpaid Retired Pay)

You may make the requests listed above by **telephone**, by **fax** or in **writing**. Our telephone and fax numbers are:

Toll free: 1 800 772-8724
Commercial: (785) 339-3415
Fax: (785) 339-3770

Allotments, SBP Coverage and Beneficiary Changes

If you need to:

- ◆ Start, stop or change an allotment (you may use Form *CG PSC-7221 Retired Allotment Authorization Form, fax in the form or a written request, call us or send us an e-mail request). If you e-mail us with the request, your pay tech will call you to verify your information.
- ◆ Report a change to your Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) coverage (must be in writing)

You may **fax** your request to (785) 339-3770 or mail to:

Commanding Officer (RAS)
USCG Personnel Service Center
444 SE Quincy St
Topeka, KS 66683-3591

() Note: forms available from our website
<http://www.uscg.mil/hq/psc/forms>*

E-mail: PSC-RAS@hrsic.uscg.mil

Website: <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/psc/ras.htm>

Income Tax Withholding Changes

If you need to:

- ◆ Start or change the amount of State Tax Withholding (Retirees can call, e-mail, fax or use *IRS Form W-4, or state form. **If using IRS form, indicate that the form is for State Income Tax Withholding, not federal, which state it's for and the dollar amount to be withheld, (minimum amount is \$10.00, no cents).** We cannot withhold state tax for annuitants)
- ◆ Change your Federal Income Tax Withholding (Retirees use Form W-4, Annuitants use Form W-4P)
- ◆ Change exemptions or additional withholding

Federal tax changes **must** be in writing. The original Form IRS W-4 or W-4P must be mailed to PSC (RAS) for action and filing, per IRS requirements. PSC (RAS) cannot accept a faxed W-4 or W-4P. Please mail to:

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()Note: forms available from our website
<http://www.uscg.mil/hq/psc/forms>
or directly from the IRS*

Report of Death

To report the death of a Coast Guard, NOAA retiree/annuitant or a Lighthouse keeper call:

Toll free: 1 800 772-8724
Commercial: (785) 339-3415
Fax: (785) 339-3770

Or write:

Commanding Officer (RAS)
USCG Personnel Service Center
444 SE Quincy St
Topeka, KS 66683-3591

E-mail articles, dependent taps entries, reunion notices, etc., to **PSC-RASnewsletter@hrsic.uscg.mil** or call us at the numbers listed below (phone menu option #4). The deadline for the next issue is May 9, 2006.

1 800 PSC-USCG/1 800 772-8724

If outside the U.S. (785) 339-3415

Other Important Phone Numbers and Websites

| Medical/Dental Benefits | Phone | Websites/Notes |
|--|---|---|
| Eligibility (DEERS)/ID Cards | 1 800 538-9552 (TTY/TDD) 1 866 363-2883 | http://www.tricare.osd.mil/deers In CA: 1 800 334-4162 In AK & HI: 1 800 527-5602 |
| Mail-Order Pharmacy | 1 866 363-8667 | http://www.tricare.osd.mil/pharmacy/tmop.cfm |
| Retiree Dental Plan | 1 888 838-8737 | http://www.trdp.org |
| TRICARE Overseas | 1 888 777-8343 | http://www.tricare.osd.mil/overseas/ |
| TRICARE United States | phone numbers available on web site | http://tricare.osd.mil |
| TRICARE For Life | 1 866 773-0404 | http://www.tricare.osd.mil/tfl/default.cfm |
| Senior Pharmacy Program | 1 877 363-6337 | http://www.tricare.osd.mil/pharmacy/seniorpharmacy.cfm |
| Federal Long-Term Health Insurance | 1 800 582-3337 | http://www.opm.gov/insure/ltc/ |
| CG Health Benefits Advisor | 1 800 942-2422 | |
| Veterans Benefits | Phone | Websites/Notes |
| Department of Veterans Affairs | 1 800 827-1000 | http://www.va.gov |
| Insurance Information | 1 800 669-8477 | http://www.insurance.va.gov |
| Veterans Group Life Insurance | | http://www.insurance.va.gov/sglisite/vgli/vgli.htm |
| New VGLI Applications and VGLI Reinstatements: OSGLI PO Box 5000 Millville, NJ 08332-9928 | Fax # for other than deaths and accelerated benefits 1 800 236-6142 Overseas phone (973) 548-5699 | Death and accelerated benefits claims only: Phone: 1 800 419-1473 Fax: 1 877 832-4943 or e-mail: osgil.claims@prudential.com General Correspondence: Office of Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance 290 West Mt. Pleasant Ave. Livingston, NJ 07039 |
| Federal Benefits for Veterans and Dependents | 1 800 827-1000 | http://www1.va.gov/opa/vadocs/current_benefits.htm VA Pamphlet 80-02-1 |
| Headstones & Markers | 1 800 697-6947 | http://www.cem.va.gov/hm.htm |
| Other | Phone | Websites/Notes |
| Final Active Duty Pay | 1 866 772-8724 Overseas (785) 339-3550 | http://www.uscg.mil/hq/psc/ses.htm Commanding Officer (SES) USCG Personnel Service Center 444 SE Quincy St Topeka, KS 66683-3591 |
| Contact PSC (SES) for information on Severance Pay, Separation Pay, Disability Severance Pay, LES's, IRS Form W-2. | | |

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| Other | Phone | Websites/Notes |
|--|--|--|
| Travel Claims | 1 866 772-8724 Overseas (785) 339-2200 | http://www.uscg.mil/hq/psc/tvl.htm Send final travel claim to: Commanding Officer (TVL) USCG Personnel Service Center 444 SE Quincy St. Topeka, KS 66683-3591 |
| Service Records | (314) 801-0800 | http://www.archives.gov/veterans/evetrecs/ Write to: National Personnel Records Center 9700 Page Avenue St. Louis, MO 63132-5100 |
| For copies of DD214's, personnel records, medical & dental records, and service medals—requests must be in writing and include complete name, rank, SSN, dates of service and date of birth. | | |
| Social Security | 1 800 772-1213 | http://www.ssa.gov |
| WWII U. S. Merchant Marine Awards and Decorations | 1 800 996-2723 Overseas (202) 366-2646 | http://www.marad.dot.gov/contact_us.html Attn: Patricia Thomas, Medals and Decorations Maritime Administration U. S. Department of Transportation 400 7th Street, SW, Room 7304 Washington, D.C. 20590 |

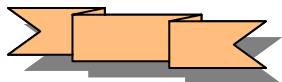
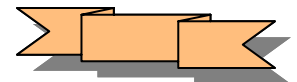
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E-mail: psc-ras@hrsic.uscg.mil
Phone: 1-800-772-8724 or (785) 339-3415

We have discontinued sending e-mail notifications to people who have signed up for the online newsletter. The process of capturing, recording, maintaining privacy and keeping e-mail addresses up-to-date had become problematic.

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**NAUTICAL TERMS, PHRASES & TRIVIA****Piping**

Boatswains have been in charge of the deck force since the days of sail. Setting sails, heaving lines, and hosting anchors required coordinated team effort and boatswains used whistle signals to order the coordinated actions. When visitors were hoisted aboard or over the side, the pipe was used to order "Hoist Away" or "Avast heaving." In time, piping became a naval honor on shore as well as at sea.

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