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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

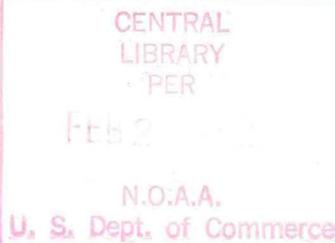
The Administrator has established a Task Force to examine, among other things, the utilization of the NOAA Corps. I had suggested that such a review be made prior to any redistribution of ceiling points within NOAA. I am pleased that this high-level group will be reviewing our practices. To prevent any misinterpretation of the intent of this study the full text of the Administrator's memo follows:

December 4, 1979

TO: DA - James Walsh (Chairperson of Task Force)  
PP - Mike Glazer  
OA - Tom Owen  
MB - Sam Lawrence  
NC - Harley Nygren  
ND - Ross Williams  
CR - Arva Jackson

FROM: A - Richard A. Frank

SUBJECT: Review of NOAA Corps



Several of you have raised with me over the past months a variety of issues concerning the NOAA Corps, e.g., the desirability of using NOAA Corps officers in a broader range of positions in NOAA. Based on our conversations, I believe it would be useful to focus on those issues and to provide some general guidance for the future of the Corps. The Director of the Corps some time ago informed me of a desire to retire in 1980, and I would like any such review to take place now while he is able to play a principal role.

I am establishing a Task Force composed of the addressees of this memo. The Task Force should report to me its views no later than March 1, 1980, on the following:

- the organization of the Corps, including reporting structure within NOAA;
- the appropriate size of the Corps;
- requirements for sea duty;
- improved integration of the Corps into scientific and administrative programs of NOAA, e.g., in what other NOAA positions should NOAA Corps personnel have the opportunity to serve;
- promotion and retirement policies;
- recruitment of personnel, including ways in which the participation of minorities and women can be enhanced; and
- any other significant subjects which arise in the course of the review and may require a change in policy.

When the Deputy Administrator, the Associate Administrator, and the Director of the Corps briefly reviewed the NOAA Corps with me over a year ago, we concluded that the Corps is a valuable and necessary element of NOAA. The need for the Corps therefore should not now be examined.

The persons receiving copies of this memorandum and listed below should participate on Task Force matters of concern to them to the extent they desire to do so.

cc: AA - George Benton  
 F - Terry Leitzell  
 RD - Ferris Webster  
 CZ - Robert Knecht  
 CA - Richard Keating  
 PA - Albert Mark

#### SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Commander Walter F. Forster, II, received a Certificate of Appreciation from the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences and a memorandum from Rear Admiral James H. Erickson, commending him for the Pre-freshman Orientation Course which he administered for the Public Health Service.

Lieutenant Commander Craig S. Nelson received a Sustained Superior Performance Award and Cash Award for his outstanding performance as Operations Officer while aboard the NOAA Ship TOWNSEND CROMWELL.

Lieutenant Lars A. G. Pardo was commended by Robert E. Burns, Special Project/DOMES Project Manager, for his outstanding performance while assigned to this project.

Lieutenant (jg) John C. Clary III received a Sustained Superior Performance Award and Cash Award for his fine work while aboard the NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN.

#### ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - NESS, Satellite Field Services Station  
Honolulu, HI

Rank - Lt.(jg) - Lt. Cdr.

#### Introduction

This position is with the Satellite Field Services Station (SFSS) in Honolulu, Hawaii. As one of the primary field units of the National Environmental Satellite Service, the Honolulu SFSS operates around the clock to provide environmental satellite data, satellite derived products and interpretative services to other NOAA components and to governmental military and private organizations in Hawaii and throughout the Pacific area. The station is collocated and works closely with the National Weather Service Forecast Office at Honolulu International Airport.

#### Duties

Following initial orientation to the SFSS program and activities, the officer will devote a period to visiting governmental, military, public, and private organizations on Oahu Island with interests and missions in oceanographic operations and research. He will apprise them of the functions, products, and services of the SFSS, and will explore with them their various activities and needs which might benefit from satellite support.

During and after the first round of contacts, and in consultation with the SFSS Manager, he will develop plans for satellite oceanographic products and services that may feasibly be provided by or through the Honolulu SFSS, and directed toward the identified needs of oceanographic user activities. Close contacts with the Oceanography and Meteorology Departments, University of Hawaii, are encouraged.

#### Requirements

Strong background and experience in physical oceanography. Ability to communicate effectively, advise and consult verbally and in writing, with maritime workers, scientists, and government and industry leaders. Experience in meteorology, remote sensing or environmental satellite data processing would be desirable.

#### Supervision

The officer will be under the direct supervision of the Honolulu SFSS Manager, Projects and activities are developed and initiated in consultation with the Manager, and subject to his review and approval.

#### Contact

For further information, contact Dr. Robert L. Pyle, Manager, Honolulu SFSS, phone 808-836-2776.

Assignment Opening - National Weather Service, Weather Service Forecast Office  
San Francisco, California

Marine Meteorologist - Incumbent: Lt. Garth Stroble

Rank: Ens. - Lt. Cdr.

### Introduction

WSFO San Francisco, is responsible for providing meteorological and marine forecasts and information to public, private, industrial, and research users. Meteorological services include weather forecasts for agriculture, aviation, air pollution, marine users, and the general public. Marine services include forecasts of weather, sea, and swell for high seas, offshore and coastal areas, and surf forecasts for the coast. WSFO San Francisco is also designated as Eastern Pacific Hurricane Center with warning and forecast responsibility over the eastern Pacific. The office is collocated with San Francisco satellite field services station of NESS.

### Duties

The first few months will consist of on-the-job training in marine and hurricane, aviation, and public forecasting. Following familiarization, the officer will be assigned 75% of the time to marine (including hurricane) and 25% of the time to public weather and aviation forecast services.

Additional responsibilities include working marine forecast shift alone in six months, and an occasional lead forecaster shift after approximately 1½ years. The officer will assist marine focal point in visiting marine user groups and other coordination trips.

### Qualifications

Experience in meteorology or oceanography is desirable. An officer with a degree in meteorology and/or oceanography is preferable, but a degree in any of the related sciences may be acceptable.

### Additional Training

Additional training available would be hurricane forecasting and use of satellite data (SFSS operations). Officer could expect to be assigned to USNPG School for two-week training assignment in marine forecasting.

### Contact

Commander Richard J. DeRycke FTS 427-7278 or the incumbent Lieutenant Garth Stroble FTS 470-9462.

Assignment Opening - National Ocean Survey, Electronic Engineering Division  
Office of Fleet Operations  
Rockville, MD

Rank - Ens. - Lt.

### Introduction

The Office of Fleet Operations in Rockville, Maryland has a vacancy for a NOAA Corps officer. The position carries with it major areas of responsibilities of data systems, management, and system implementation. This assignment is an ideal vantage point for an officer to attain an overall view of the hydroplot system.

### Duties

Assume responsibility for Hydroplot software within the Office of Fleet Operations;

Maintain configuration control of Hydroplot through management of the "Request for Software/Hardware Action, NOAA Fleet Data Acquisition and Processing Systems";

Prepare Hydroplot documentation for printing and distribution;

Maintain and disseminate binary program types for field unit usage;

Prepare technical papers for presentation at such events as the NOS Annual Hydrographic Conference, the Canadian Hydrographic Conference, and the Defense Mapping Agency Technical exchanges.

Contact: Captain Kelly Taggart, C7, phone number (301) 443-8322.

### TRAVEL TIPS

A reminder of a standing order. Officers must send a copy of all travel vouchers for orders written and paid for by the NOAA Corps to NC2 within 30 days of completion of travel.

### High Cost Areas

There are more High Cost Areas on the following list, effective December 12, 1979.

MORE HIGH COST AREAS - Effective December 12, 1979

Bath, ME	\$47.00
Brunswick, ME	47.00
Camden, NJ	50.00
Carson City, NV	50.00
Chester, PA	50.00
Cockeysville, MD	50.00
Concord, CA <sup>46</sup>	50.00
Council Bluffs, IA	45.00
Dugway Proving Grounds, UT	49.00
Edison, NJ	50.00
Evendale, OH	50.00
Fort Washington, PA	50.00
Hunt Valley, MD	50.00
Monroeville, PA	50.00
New Brunswick, NJ	50.00
Newport, RI	50.00
San Bernardino, CA <sup>47</sup>	50.00
Santa Cruz, CA	50.00
Sparks, NV	50.00
Tooele, UT	49.00
Topsham, ME	47.00
Williamsburg, VA	50.00

46 Including all locations within Contra Costa County.

47 Including all locations within San Bernardino County.

## ELECTION YEAR 1980 (See voting information at the end of the Bulletin)

This year a new Postcard Registration and Absentee Ballot request (FPCA) has been developed and is currently being issued for use in the 1980 election. This new card replaces the old registration card which should not be used unless the new card is not available. The new registration card is specifically designed to meet the requirements of voting officials in the 50 states and in most cases will simplify obtaining a absentee ballot or registering to vote. The voting information published in this bulletin or obtained from the 1980 Voting Assistance Guide will assist officials and their eligible dependents in voting by absentee ballot. FPCA's will be mailed to all officers with a future Corps Bulletin or separate mailing. Extras may be obtained from the Commissioned Personnel Division. 1980 Voting Guides have been mailed to all the NOAA Ships, Marine Centers, Environmental Research Laboratories, Fisheries Centers, Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratories, and the Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory.

## LOBBYING

The use of appropriated funds for lobbying activities by Federal agencies without express congressional approval is prohibited by 18 U.S.C. 1913. Federal officials who violate the Act may be criminally prosecuted or fired.

The law does permit communications "through the proper official channel", i.e., direct communication with members of Congress and their staffs, as well as congressional committees and their staff, orally or in writing, about legislative matters. However, in oral or written communications with the public, or interested groups or individuals, you should take care not to solicit their assistance in influencing, or advocate that they or others take any specific action to influence, members of Congress with regard to specific proposed legislation.

The law does not, of course, affect lobbying by individual agency officers as private citizens, or when no appropriated funds are involved (although the rules prohibiting political activity might affect some lobbying actions). Since appearance may prove every bit as damaging as legal reality in terms of NOAA's public and congressional relations, you should not identify yourselves with government titles when lobbying as individuals.

## VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

The need for veterans to tell their families where important veterans' documents are kept cannot be overemphasized, Veterans Administration officials said today.

Safeguarding discharge papers, marriage certificates or child custody evidence from fire, theft or loss could be one of the most important legacies a veteran can leave his survivors, VA said. Among documents that should be protected and filed with family papers are government and commercial life insurance policies, any VA correspondence with identifying claim numbers, social security numbers, wills and, where applicable, naturalization papers.

Families should also be aware of possible survivor benefits. These include VA pensions, dependency and indemnity compensation for service connected death, burial benefits and interment in a national cemetery.

A few minutes spent by the veteran organizing documents and informing his family can do much to avoid anguish during times of emotional stress, according to VA.

Veterans should alert their families that information and assistance concerning benefits are available at the nearest VA regional office. Assistance is also available through veterans service organizations.

Question - Can closing costs be included in the amount of money the government guarantees for a GI home loan?

Answer - No. All such costs must be paid in cash.

Question - How long after the death of a veteran does a survivor have to request a burial allowance from the Veterans Administration?

Answer - The claim must be filed within two years after the veteran's permanent burial or cremation. This may be done at the nearest VA benefits office.

## I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Cdr. John W. DeCoste from ERL, Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorology Laboratory to the NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Southeast Marine Support Facility. (January 1980)

Lt. Cdr. Dan E. Tracy from NOS, NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER to the NOS, Office of Oceanography, Marine Environmental Services Division, Rockville, MD, as Operation Officer. (January 1980)

Lt. Donald A. Dreves from Naval Postgraduate School to NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON, as Field Operations Officer. (September 1980)

## II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

### COMMANDER

Collins, James from NOS, Marine Surveys and Maps to NOS, Office of the Director, Coastal Hazards Mitigation, Rockville, MD.

Hayes, Carl William from NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON to NOS, Special Assistant to the Director.

Allbritton, Richard N. from ERL, Pacific Environmental Laboratory to Office of Management and Computer Systems, Rockville, MD.

Reinke, Leland L. from NOS, AMC, Southeast Marine Support Facility to NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER as Executive Officer.

Gerish, Thomas E. from ERL, Research Facility Center to Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA.

DeCoste, John W. from ERL, Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratories to NOS, AMC, Southeast Marine Support Facility, Miami, FL.

Wilson, David M. from NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER to NOS, Office of Fleet Operations, Rockville, MD.

#### LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

Bodnar, Andrew N., Jr. from NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON to Full-time University Training, Seattle University, Seattle, WA.

Tracy, Don E. from NOS, NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER to NOS, Office of Oceanography Marine Environmental Services Division as Operations Officer.

#### LIEUTENANT

Meyer, Thomas L. from NMFS, Northeast Fisheries Center to NOS, AMC, Augmentation Pool at Woods Hole, MA.

Pawlowski, Robert J. from NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ to NOS, NOAA Ship ALBATROSS IV as Executive Officer.

Lillestolen, Ted I. from Office of Coastal Zone Management to NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ as Field Operations Officer.

#### LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

McGough, James F., Jr., from NOS, Pacific Tides Party to NOS, NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER.

Greene, Jeffrey W. from NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER to NOS, AMC Coastal Mapping Division.

### III. PROMOTIONS

Michael S. Sagalow	LT	12/01/79
David K. Howard	LT	12/15/79
Virginia E. Newell	LT	12/16/79
David M. Goodrich	LT	12/16/79

### IV. APPOINTMENTS

None

### V. RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS APPROVED

Retirement

John O. Phillips	CAPT	8/01/80
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Resignation

Kevin P. McNeill                      ENS                      1/14/80

VI. RETIREMENTS

George M. Poor                      CAPT                      1/01/80

VII. RESIGNATIONS

Judith Gray	ENS	12/07/79
David Pasciuti	LT	12/14/79
Michael J. Willis	ENS	12/14/79
William R. Bergmann	ENS	12/14/79
Constantine E. Mericas	LT	12/15/79
Joseph P. Quinlan	LTJG	12/21/79
James M. Sherwood	LTJG	12/21/79
Bryan K. Mezger	LT	12/28/79

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO ROSTER

None

IX. ON BOARD STRENGTH AS OF 1 JANUARY 1980 - 366

# VOTING INFORMATION — 1980

## (ELECTIONS)

This chart lists election dates scheduled by States, Territories, and the District of Columbia; runoff dates to be held (if required); and Federal and State officials to be nominated in the primaries who will run in the general election November 4, 1980. *NOTE:* This election information is subject to change. Voting officers and counselors should be contacted to determine whether changes have been made after date of publication. Not all officials to be nominated will necessarily appear on each State's ballot.

STATE	PRIMARY DATE	RUNOFF PRIMARY (IF REQUIRED)	OFFICIALS TO BE NOMINATED FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION				PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY
			FEDERAL		GOVERNOR	STATE (See KEY)*	
			U.S. SENATOR	U.S. REPRESENTATIVE		Other (list not necessarily inclusive)	
Alabama	September 2	September 23	Yes	7		PSC CCA SBE JSC	March 11
Alaska	August 26		Yes	1		SR SEN	
Arizona	September 9		Yes	4		SEN SMI DCA CRC SR SSC	
Arkansas	May 27	June 10	Yes	4	Yes	LG SS AG T A LC	May 27
California	June 3		Yes	43		SEN SR CO COC	June 3
Colorado	September 9		Yes	5		SBE SEN SR SSC DJ DA	
Connecticut	September 9		Yes	6		SR SEN	March 25
Delaware	September 6			1	Yes	LG AC T CI	
District of Columbia	September 9			*		RNC DNC LO	May 6
Florida	September 9	October 7	Yes	15		PD SA SR SEN CO COC JCC SSC DCA	March 11
Georgia	August 12	September 2	Yes	10		PSC JAC JP SR SEN DA CO JSC	March 11
Guam	September 6			*		BE LO SEN	
Hawaii	September 20		Yes	2		SEN SR SBE	
Idaho	May 27		Yes	2		SR SSC CO	May 27
Illinois	March 18		Yes	24		SEN SR DNC RNC JAC JCC SSC CO SBT	March 18
Indiana	May 6		Yes	11	Yes	LG AG SEN SR SPI RAC RSC	May 6
Iowa	June 3		Yes	6		SEN SR AU CO DC SSC CCA DCA	
Kansas	August 5		Yes	5		SEN SR CO BE	April 1
Kentucky	May 27		Yes	7		SSC	May 27
Louisiana	September 20		Yes	8			April 5
Maine	June 10			2		SR SEN CO	
Maryland	May 13		Yes	8		JCC JAC BE	May 13
Massachusetts	September 16			12		CO GC SR SEN	March 4
Michigan	August 5			19		SR SBE RUM TMSU DC CCA JCCA SSC	May 20
Minnesota	September 9			8		SEN SR SSC DJ COC	
Mississippi	June 3	June 24		5			
Missouri	August 5		Yes	10	Yes	LG SS T AG SEN SR CO JCC COC	
Montana	June 3			2	Yes	LG SS SPI PSC AG A	June 3
Nebraska	May 13			3		PSC SBE BR BE CO LO RNC SEN	May 13
Nevada	September 9		Yes	1		SR SEN	May 27
New Hampshire	September 9		Yes	2	Yes	CO SEN SR C	February 26
New Jersey	June 3			15		CO DNC LO RNC	June 3
New Mexico	June 3			2		SR SEN DA SBE SSC DC CO CRC CCA JCCA	June 3
New York	September 9		Yes	39		CO SR SEN SSC LO	April 1 <sup>1</sup>
North Carolina	May 6	June 3	Yes	11	Yes	LG SR CO DC C JSC LO	May 6
North Dakota	September 2		Yes	1	Yes	LG SS AG A T CI PSC CA SPI DC SR JSC	
Ohio	June 3		Yes	23		SSC SR SEN COC CO DNC RNC JAC	June 3
Oklahoma	August 26	September 16	Yes	6		SR SEN CRC	
Oregon	May 20		Yes	4		SS AG T	May 20
Pennsylvania	April 22		Yes	25		T A AG SR SEN	April 22
Puerto Rico	May 25			*	Yes	SEN (Local) SR (Local)	February 17 March 16 <sup>2</sup>
Rhode Island	September 9			2	Yes	LG SS AG T GO	June 3
South Carolina	June 10	June 24	Yes	6		SR SEN	March 8
South Dakota	June 3		Yes	2		PUC	June 3
Tennessee	August 7			8		SR SEN PSC	May 6
Texas	May 3	June 7		24		SR SEN RRC SSC CCA JCCA SBE DJ DA CO	May 3
Utah	September 9		Yes	2	Yes	LG SS AG A SEN SRT	
Vermont	September 9		Yes	1	Yes	LG T SS AC AG SR SS	March 4
Virginia	June 10			10			
Virgin Islands	September 2			*		SEN BE BEL	
Washington	September 16		Yes	7	Yes	SS T A LG CI CPL	
West Virginia	June 3			4	Yes	SS A T SEN SR	June 3
Wisconsin	September 9		Yes	9		SR SEN CO	April 1
Wyoming	September 9			1		SR SEN	

\* Delegate to Congress.

<sup>1</sup>Republican Party Only  
<sup>2</sup>Democratic Party Only  
<sup>3</sup>Subject to Change

\*Key to Identification of "Other Officials"

A	Auditor General	DC	Judges(s), District Courts(s)	RNC	Delegates, Republican National Convention
AC	Auditor of Accounts	DCA	Judges, District Courts of Appeal	RRC	Railroad Commissioner
ADG	Adjutant General	DJ	Judicial District Judges	RSC	Reporter, Supreme Court
AG	Attorney General	DNC	Delegates, Democratic National Convention	RUC	Regents, University of Colorado
AU	Auditor	GC	Governor's Counselor	RUM	Regents, University of Michigan
BE	Members, Board of Education	GMSU	Governor, Michigan State University	RV	Registrar of Voters
BEL	Members, Board of Elections	GO	General Officers	SA	State Attorneys
BR	Members, Board of Regents	GWSC	Governors, Wayne State University	SBE	Members, State Board of Education
C	Councilors	JAC	Justices(s) or Judges(s), Appellate Courts	SBT	School Board Trustees
CA	Commissioner of Agriculture	JCC	Judges(s), Circuit Court	SC	State Controller
CCA	Judges(s), Court of Criminal Appeals	JCCA	Judges(s), Court of Civil Appeals	SCL	Supervisor of the Check List
CE	Commissioner of Education	JP	Justice of the Peace	SCOM	State Committee
CHC	Judges, Chancery Courts(s)	JS	Justices	SEB	State Equalization, Board of
CI	Commissioner of Insurance	JSC	Judges(s), Superior Court	SEN	State Senators
CJ	Chief Justice	LC	Land Commissioner	SMI	State Mine Inspector
CL	Commissioner of Labor	LG	Lieutenant Governor	SO	State Officers
CO	County Officials	LO	Local Officials	SPI	Superintendent of Public Instruction
COC	Judges, County Courts	P	Probate Judges	SR	State Representatives
COE	Commissioner of Elections	PD	Public Defender	SS	Secretary of State
COMP	Comptroller	PSC	Public Service Commissioners(s)	SSC	Associate Justice(s) or Judges(s), State Supreme Court
CPL	Commissioner of Public Lands	PUC	Public Utilities Commissioner	SSS	State Superintendent of Schools
CRC	Corporation Commissioner(s)	RAC	Reporter, Appellate Court	T	State Treasurer
DA	District Attorneys			TMSU	Trustee, Michigan State University



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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK - FIELD VISITS

The recent visits we made to the field were encouraging and productive. I am appreciative of the many courtesies extended and the candor with which officers were willing to discuss various issues. Most questions and comments were of a personal nature and were designed to clarify issues of personal professional development.

Several themes were repeated at all stations visited. I was not able to respond sympathetically to these because an officer's personal perspective does not necessarily coincide with the views of management. Some consternation (and regret) was expressed that time in grade for promotion is becoming longer. I had to respond that this was good. It stems from a higher retention rate, and means that the age, experience, and capability of the Corps are increasing. I disagree that stagnation has set in, as evidenced by the fact that our promotion rate is still the most rapid of any service. We retired seven officers of the rank of captain or above last year or 21% of the people in those grades.

If you assume 24 years as an average career, and O-6 as the probable retirement grade, an average of 4 years would be spent in any grade. Too rapid advancement has only one advantage - it offsets the very low rate of pay for O-1's and O-2's. This problem must be addressed by Congress very soon as it also adversely affects our defense posture.

This slowing of promotion is accompanied by a slowing of recruitment, which means fewer junior officers reporting to the ships for their initial sea duty. This does alter the skill balance in the wardrooms, and we have been discussing this issue with NOS to the end that the duties be redistributed in order to achieve better utilization of all officers.

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Lieutenant Commander Michael Kawka received a Letter of Appreciation from Michael L. Grable and Martha O. Blaxall, Office of Utilization and Development, for his outstanding performance while detailed to that Office.

Lieutenant Commander Clarence W. Tignor, Lieutenant John M. Tokar, and Officers and Crew of the NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ were commended by Dr. Neil R. Andersen, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, for their excellent performance during the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission's intercalibration experiment in Bermuda.

Lieutenant Wayne L. Perryman received a Special Achievement Award and Cash Award from the Director, Southwest Fisheries Center, for his outstanding performance while on this assignment.

Lieutenant Commander Craig S. Nelson received a Sustained Superior Performance Award and Cash Award for his outstanding performance while aboard the NOAA Ship TOWNSEND CROMWELL.

## ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - Office of Sea Grant, Marine Advisory Program  
Division of Marine Resources, University of Washington  
Seattle, WA

Incumbent - Lt. Cdr. Patrick D. Harman

## Introduction

Sea Grant institutions assist the development of marine resources within the participating state through administering research, education, and advisory programs. The activities are diversified and may include the development of new industries, ocean systems, or species enhancement and utilization. A multi-disciplinary approach is employed with inputs, to name a few, utilizing economics, aquaculture, fisheries, food processing, engineering, coastal zone management, and oceanography.

## Duties

The officer is designated as the assistant to the manager, Marine Advisory Program. Considerable latitude is allowed for the individual to contribute in his or her own field of interest or expertise. However, the officer's primary responsibility is to assist the program manager as directed. The officer is supervised on an intermittent basis and only to an extent necessary to assure that individual efforts mesh with the overall program goals. Enjoying working with people and initiative are the primary ingredients for success in this position.

In addition to individual efforts, the officer contributes to meetings which formulate advisory program goals and policies, assists research projects in acquiring surplus property, engages in public speaking activities, and provides liaison with the local NOAA activities.

The opportunity to enroll in classes at the University of Washington is encouraged by the program directors. Tuition is paid by the individual or through the Veterans Administration.

### Education and Experience

Backgrounds in fisheries, electronic or ocean engineering, oceanography, and coastal zone management are equally suited for this position. Other disciplines are applicable, depending on the flexibility of the officer.

Previous vessel experience is desirable, since contacts with experienced marine personnel are frequent.

Assignment Opening - Environmental Data and Information Service/  
National Geophysical and Solar-Terrestrial Data Center,  
NGSDC/EDIS/NOAA  
Boulder, Colorado April-June 1980

Rank - Lt. - Cdr.

Incumbents - Cdr. Robert A. Ganse, NOAA  
Lt. John B. Nelson, NOAA

### Introduction

The National Geophysical and Solar-Terrestrial Data Center in Boulder, Colorado, has a vacancy for a NOAA Corps officer to work in its Solid Earth Geophysics Division for a period of two to three years.

### Duties

The NOAA officer would be charged with the organization and establishment of geological and geophysical data bases for the purpose of providing data services and products needed by Federal, academic, and private sector. The officer will develop earthquake and tsunami data bases, products, and services.

### Qualifications

Backgrounds in either Geology, Geophysics, Mathematics, or Computer Science are suited for this position. Writing skills are essential. The position is suited for an officer who would like to exercise initiative, participate in team efforts, interact with other individuals within NOAA, and the academic and private industry communities.

### Facilities

Automated systems include a CDC 6600, a Data General Eclipse Mini Computer, Calcomp drum and flatbed plotters, computer output to microfilm, digitizing devices and graphics terminals.

## Career Advantages

The officer will develop contacts in industry, government and academia. A much better understanding of NOAA and government organizations will be gained. Exposure to a variety of earth science disciplines including gravity, geomagnetism, volcanology, marine geology, and marine geomagnetism. The officer will have the opportunity to produce one or more professional publications, which will give him stature in the scientific community.

## Supervision

Overall supervision is provided by Mr. James Lander (FTS 323-6474). However, as the officer becomes more familiar with his role, he/she will assume greater responsibility for the conduct of assigned duties. On-the-Job training is available to the officer as well as course work through the University of Colorado, Boulder Campus.

All interested officers should contact Captain Charles Burroughs, EDIS/Washington, DC, FTS 634-7379.

## UNIFORM REGULATION CHANGE

The Uniform Regulations have been changed to allow officers to wear the blue golfer's jacket in place of the blouse on the Service Dress Blue (Bravo) Uniform. Officers are cautioned that use of the golf jacket is allowable only on those occasions when the officer is not acting in an official capacity or making formal contact with persons outside of his or her organization. Acceptable occasions would include going to and from work, informal lunches at restaurants, visiting other buildings in the same area or afternoon shopping. This option should never be worn at formal conferences, banquets, meetings, or when greeting persons outside of NOAA. It is recommended that the blouse be available in the office for those situations in which the wearing of the golf jacket would be inappropriate.

## UNIFORM TIP

Occasionally, officers may have urgent need for the services of a tailor. Minor accidents may place one's uniform out of commission, requiring either repair or alteration. Many times, this special service may be rendered by either exchange tailors or private contractors.

The following two locations have rendered such short-time service in the recent past:

1. Navy Exchange Tailor Shop  
National Naval Medical Center  
Bethesda, Maryland
2. Southeast Uniform Company  
747 8th Street, S.E.  
Washington, D. C. 20003

## TRAVEL TIPS

The following have been added to the High Cost (Actual Expense) Geographic Area list, in Appendix L of the JTR, effective January 8, 1980:

Location	Maximum
Annapolis, MD <sup>48</sup>	\$50
Jacksonville, FL <sup>49</sup>	\$42
Petersburg, VA <sup>50</sup>	\$43

48 Includes all of Anne Arundel County

49 Includes Naval Station Mayport

50 Includes Dinwiddie and Prince Georges Counties

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Officers are once again reminded that receipts are required to be submitted with travel vouchers for all lodging costs claimed.

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Parking fees may not be reimbursed for the use of a personally owned vehicle on government business within the limits of the metropolitan area permanent station. These may be reimbursed for civil servants, not members of a uniformed service.

SOUTHWEST FISHERIES CENTER - Pacific Environmental Group (Monthly Report - December 1979)

## OCEAN CLIMATOLOGY AND MONITORING

One of the benefits of NOAA Corps officers assigned to the PEG is the opportunity to broaden their capabilities and scientific backgrounds by taking graduate courses at the Naval Postgraduate School, while contributing to the Group's mission. PEG's work requires an ability to program and manipulate large, modern computers. NOAA Corps officers and other personnel starting to work at PEG, therefore, also take courses in computer science, statistics and oceanography. After this initiation officers have obtained an extension of their tour in Monterey in order to enter a formal degree program at the NPS on a part-time basis.

Lt. Dale Bretschneider followed this procedure. By combining graduate study and work at PEG, he completed requirements last December for the Master of Science degree in Physical Oceanography at the NPS. His research dealt with non-tidal sea level variations at Monterey, California. This topic is typical of the type of problem that would be assigned to a NOAA Corps officer at PEG.

One of the basic needs in fishery oceanography is the ability to infer ocean variability from existing data sets. Historical sea level time series data are unique among marine data sources in that they have been obtained continuously and inexpensively over periods of decades or longer at a large number of fixed locations worldwide. Sea level records include not only periodic fluctuations

due to astronomic tides but also no-tidal sea level fluctuations resulting from various oceanic and atmospheric processes. The latter can be isolated as anomalies by filtering out the astronomic tides, thus making measurements of sea level at adjacent coastal stations useful as a spacially integrated index of nearshore and offshore oceanographic and meteorological changes. Using this cost-effective method to monitor the environmental changes is of interest to the National Marine Fisheries Service.

In his work, Lt. Bretschneider examined the relative importance of the large scale atmospheric and oceanographic processes which affect non-tidal sea level measurements at Monterey, California. Variability on seasonal, monthly and hourly time scales were described as were the causes of these changes. An understanding of these processes will allow the use of the long series of sea level data to reconstruct historical changes in the oceanographic environment which, in turn, will aid in the understanding of past changes in distribution, abundance and availability of marine fish populations.

When NOAA Corps officers at PEG combine their work with graduate study, there is a threefold benefit: First, PEG benefits from the work of a highly trained and motivated officer. Secondly, NOAA benefits. The skills acquired in the manipulation and analysis of large data fields on modern, high-speed computers are basic to many NOAA operations and programs and, therefore, provide the officer a powerful tool to perform in a wide range of future assignments. Thirdly, the new technical skills and broadened background enhance the officer's career opportunities.

#### TRAINING NOTE

All officers attending training for which a NOAA Form 53-1 is required, and has been issued by the NOAA Corps, will receive the Evaluation Sheet, Copy No. 7. This evaluation is to be completed at the end of your training and returned to NC2. It is an important part of your training documentation and is required by the NOAA Personnel Division.

#### VOTE AMERICA

Presidential Primaries Set in Spring - In April and May the following states will hold Presidential Primary Elections. Unit voting counselors and voting officers have full details on how to complete a Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to register and vote in these important elections.

The States holding Presidential Primaries in April are:

Kansas, April 1  
New York, April 1  
Wisconsin, April 1  
Louisiana, April 5  
Pennsylvania, April 22

States holding Presidential Primary Elections during the month of May are:

Texas, May 3 (Republican Party only)  
District of Columbia, May 6  
Indiana, May 6

North Carolina, May 6  
Tennessee, May 6  
Maryland, May 13  
Nebraska, May 13  
Michigan, May 20  
Oregon, May 20  
Arkansas, May 27  
Idaho, May 27  
Kentucky, May 27  
Nevada, May 27

It's your vote--USE IT !

TO ALL OFFICERS WHO SERVED ON THE NOAA Ships PATHFINDER I (during WWI) and the  
PATHFINDER II

R. Adm. W. M. Gibson is trying to compile a list of all the above officers for a reunion. He has requested that the names and addresses of all such people.

If you are one of them, you are requested to contact Adm. Gibson at:

101 Wildwood Avenue  
Piedmont, CA 94610

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - If I receive Veterans Administration benefit payments may I have my premiums for Veterans Group Life Insurance deducted from my benefit check?

Answer - No. Premiums must be paid by you directly to the office of Servicemen's Group Life Insurance.

Question - If a veteran purchases a home under the GI Bill and sells it, can he obtain another GI loan?

Answer - Yes. A veteran may qualify for restoration of loan guaranty entitlement if the Veterans Administration has been relieved of liability on the previous loan. VA is relieved of liability when the loan is paid in full and the property has been disposed of. Eligibility may also be restored when another veteran agrees to substitute his entitlement for that of the original veteran borrower.

Question - I intend to purchase a home in the near future using my Veterans Administration home loan guaranty eligibility. What is the current interest rate?

Answer - The current interest rate is 11.5 percent. However, you should contact the nearest VA regional office prior to actual purchase of a home since interest rates are subject to change.

I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Cdr. Walter F. Forster, II from NOAA Officers Training Center to NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR as the Commanding Officer (January 1981)

Cdr. C. Dale North from NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE to NOS, Office of Fleet Operations, Program and Planning Division (May 1980)

Cdr. Frank P. Rossi from NOS, Marine Surveys and Maps to NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING as the Commanding Officer (May 1980)

Lt. Cdr. Abram Y. Bryson from NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Hydrographic Survey Branch to NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL as the Executive Officer (September 1980)

Lt. Cdr. Paul M. Duernberger to fleet up to Commanding Officer NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ (June 1980)

Lt. Cdr. Gerald W. Stanley from Office of Oceanography, Tides and Water Level Division to NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR (August 1980)

Lt. Cdr. Kent P. Dolan from NOS, Marine Surveys and Maps, Marine Data Systems Project to NOS, NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER as 4th Officer (August 1980)

Lt. Cdr. Christopher B. Lawrence from NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR as Field Operations Officer (February 1980)

Lt. Gary L. Johnson from NOS, Office of Marine Technology, Environmental Laboratory to NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ as the Executive Officer (June 1980)

Lt. Garth W. Stroble from NWS, San Francisco Field Office to NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR (July 1980)

Lt. Andrew M. Snella from NOS, Pacific Marine Center, Anchorage Alaska Liaison to NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR as Field Operations Officer (February 1981)

Lt. Dennis M. Kuhl from NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING to NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL (January 1980)

Lt. Donald A. Dreves, change in reporting date to the NOAA Ship DAVIDSON from September 1980 to July 1980.

Lt. Robert C. Mann, change in reporting date to the NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING to April 1980.

Lt. Michael Kretsch from Office of the Administrator to the NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON (June 1980)

Lt. (jg) Elizabeth A. VanEtten from NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER to NOS, Office of Oceanography (June 1980)

II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

COMMANDER

Smart, Robert V. from Armed Forces Staff College, Norfolk, VA to NOS, Office of the Director as the Diving Officer, Rockville, MD.

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

Harman, Patrick from Office of Sea Grant, Seattle, WA to ERL, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory, Seattle, WA.

LIEUTENANT

Mason, Charles D. from NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL to NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING.

Kuhl, Dennis M. from NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING to NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL.

LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

Kirch, Herbert M. from NOS, NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN TO Office of Research and Development, Office of Marine Pollution Assessment, Seattle, WA.

ENSIGN

Leslie, John L. III from NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER to NOS, NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN.

III. PROMOTIONS

Joseph A. Sowers	CDR	1/01/80
Kurt X. Gores	LCDR	1/01/80
David K. Howard	LT	12/15/79
Virginia E. Newell	LT	12/16/79
David M. Goodrich	LT	12/16/79
Donald R. Rice	LT	1/01/80

IV. APPOINTMENTS

Robert G. Bill, Jr. NS 1/06/80  
(Assigned TDY to RESEARCHER, will attend 67 Officer Training Class)

Jose A. Rivera ENS 1/16/80  
(Assigned TDY to WHITING, will attend 67th Officer Training Class)

V. RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS APPROVED

RETIREMENTS

None

RESIGNATIONS

Susan C. Carlson	ENS	1/31/80
Mark V. Losleben	LT	6/30/80

VI. RETIREMENTS

None

VII. RESIGNATIONS

David S. Goldenberg	ENS	1/03/80
Kevin P. McNeill	LTJG	1/14/80
Eleanor Hotton	ENS	1/31/80
Erik N. Birk	ENS	1/31/80
Susan C. Carlson	ENS	1/31/80

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO LINEAL LIST

None

IX. ON BOARD STRENGTH AS OF 1 FEBRUARY 1980 - 364

# FY 80 NOAA SHIP ALLOCATION PLAN REVISED OCTOBER 25, 1979

Approved:   
Chairman, NOAA FAC

	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
<b>I DISCOVERER</b>	OCSEAP ERL Alaska (48)	OCSEAP ERL Alaska (48)	PM - REPAIRS				OCSEAP Gulf of Alaska (165)					
<b>OCEANOGRAPHER</b>	EPICS ERL (26)	EPICS ERL (26)	PM - REPAIRS				EPICS - NORTH PACIFIC FRONT - SEDIMENT DYNAMICS ERL (175)					
<b>RESEARCHER</b>	Anilin Current (13)	MIAMI					ENERGY/CLIMATE En. At. ERL (60)	MIAMI				
<b>SURVEYOR</b>	OCSEAR BATHY SV. Gulf of Alaska (25)	OCSEAR BATHY SV. Gulf of Alaska (25)	PM & REPAIRS				CRUSTAL DYNAMICS San Andrea Fault NOS (84)	PHC				
<b>II FAIRWEATHER</b>		PM & REPAIRS					MARINE CHARTING NOS (190) SE Alaska					
<b>FREEMAN</b>	RESOURCE SURVEYS Puget Sound - Gulf of Alaska	RESOURCE SURVEYS Puget Sound - Gulf of Alaska	NMFS (80)				RESOURCE SURVEYS Gulf of Alaska - Bering NMFS (74)					
<b>MT. MITCHELL</b>	DUMPSITE P.R. (10)	AMC & REPAIRS					MARINE CHARTING Gulf of Mexico NOS (110)	AMC				
<b>RAINIER</b>	MARINE CHARTING Hawaii - NOS (70)	MARINE CHARTING Hawaii - NOS (70)					MARINE CHARTING SE Alaska NOS (30)					
<b>III ALBATROSS IV</b>	RESOURCE SURVEY - ENVIRON. IMPACT NW Atlantic NMFS (74)	RESOURCE SURVEY - ENVIRON. IMPACT NW Atlantic NMFS (74)					WOODS HOLE - REPAIRS	RESOURCE SURVEYS - ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT - FISHERIES OCEANOGRAPHY NW Atlantic NMFS (178)				
<b>DAVIDSON</b>	BS <sup>2</sup> Test (10)	PM - REPAIRS					CHART EVALUATION San Francisco Bay NOS (40)	MARINE CHARTING San Francisco Bay NOS (30)				
<b>MCCARTHUR</b>	CIRCULATORY SURVEYS San Francisco Bay - NOS (80)	CIRCULATORY SURVEYS San Francisco Bay - NOS (80)					CHART EVALUATION Florida Coast - NOS (50)	CIRCULATORY SURVEY San Francisco Bay - NOS (88)				
<b>OREGON II</b>	M. CHARTING Lake Sup. (20)	AMC & REPAIRS					CHART EVALUATION New York NOS (30)	MARINE CHARTING Shellfish Strait - Cook Inlet NOS (108)				
<b>PEIRCE</b>	CHART EVALUATION Lake Sup. (20)	AMC & REPAIRS					RESOURCE SURVEYS - SURVEY TECHNOLOGY Gulf of Mexico - Caribbean NMFS (250)	MARINE CHARTING Lata Superior - NOS (108)				
<b>WHITING</b>	RESOURCE SV Samoa (24)	HONOLULU					RESOURCE SURVEYS - FISHERIES ANALYSIS - MARINE MAMMALS East & Central Pacific - NMFS (220)	REPAIRS				
<b>IV CROMWELL</b>	RESOURCE SURVEYS - ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT NW Atlantic - NMFS (80)	RESOURCE SURVEYS - ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT NW Atlantic - NMFS (80)					SHIPYARD REPAIRS	REPAIRS				
<b>DELAWARE II</b>	CIRCULATORY SURVEY Casco Bay, Maine NOS (30)	AMC & REPAIRS					SHIPYARD REPAIRS	REPAIRS				
<b>FERREL</b>							RESOURCE SURVEYS - MARINE MAMMALS - FISHERIES OCEANOGRAPHY East Central Pacific (260)	CIRCULATORY SURVEYS New York Harbor NOS (65)				
<b>JORDAN</b>							SHIPYARD REPAIRS	REPAIRS				
<b>KELEZ</b>	OCEAN PULSE NMFS (20)	AMC & REPAIRS					SHIPYARD REPAIRS	REPAIRS				
<b>CHAPMAN</b>	RES SURVEY NE Pac. (18)	RES SURVEY NE Pac. (18)					RESURCE SURVEYS - SURVEY TECHNOLOGY Coastal NE Pacific (148)	REPAIRS				
<b>V COBB</b>	RESOURCE SURVEY NMFS (20)	PM & REPAIRS					RESOURCE SURVEYS - MARINE MAMMALS - CONSERVATION ENGINEERING NW Pacific - SE Alaska (130)	REPAIRS				
<b>OREGON</b>	WIRE DRAG NOS (40)	AMC & REPAIRS					RESOURCE SURVEYS - MARINE MAMMALS - CONSERVATION ENGINEERING NW Pacific - SE Alaska (130)	REPAIRS				
<b>RUDE/HECK</b>							RESOURCE SURVEYS - MARINE MAMMALS - CONSERVATION ENGINEERING NW Pacific - SE Alaska (130)	REPAIRS				
<b>VI MURRE II</b>							RESOURCE SURVEYS - MARINE MAMMALS - CONSERVATION ENGINEERING NW Pacific - SE Alaska (130)	REPAIRS				

\*Banks open 105 days  
15 additional days funded for special project by administrator



# NOAA CORPS BULLETIN

OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

NOAA Corps Study - The March 1 date for the completion of the study of the NOAA Corps has been shifted to a later time because of the very urgent budget and legislative activities of the Task Force members.

## Suggestion on Form 56-25 Last Year -

One suggestion received on Form 56-25 for last year was to the effect that promotion examinations for LCDR are too much work not to receive comment on their content. I agree. Historically the Officer Personnel Board members have submitted uninhibited evaluations, which have been discussed within the Board before a recommendation came to me. Some of these were not really suitable for publication. The OPB, in grading exams, occasionally finds some to be unacceptable, and some are highlighted as outstanding.

If my personal review of the examination finds me in agreement with the OPB, I have sent back notice of acceptance of the thesis, to the officer, along with comments on its quality, and have made specific statements about one or another of the ideas submitted. If the Board and I disagree, we discuss the situation.

For some months these personalized responses have fallen behind, and some officers have received simple statements of acceptance or non-acceptance. More detailed critiques will be made as soon as possible.

Officers submitting theses should remember that they receive fairly wide dissemination, especially where particularly useful recommendations are made.

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Commander Jimmy A. Lyons received a Letter Of Appreciation from the Governor of Texas, William P. Clements, Jr., for his professional accomplishments while in Texas in connection with the IXTOC I oil spill. The Commander also received a Unit Citation as a Member of the NOAA Response Team - Campeche Oil Spill.

Captain Richard E. Alderman received a Letter of Appreciation for his excellent performance during the visit of the Chinese delegation, from Ferris Webster, Assistant Administrator for Research and Development, NOAA.

Commander Jeffrey G. Carlen received a Certificate of Commendation and Cash Award from Colonel John J. Ridgway, Jr., Department of the Army, for his suggestion to replace metal Post Survey Markers and Traffic Signs throughout the ranges with carsonite, at a considerable savings to the government.

Ensign Robert W. Maxson received a Letter of Commendation from Commander John K. Callahan, Jr., Commanding Officer, NOAA Ship FERREL, for his sustained efforts on behalf of the FERREL and the successful completion of the Casco Bay Circulatory Survey OPR-A801-FE-79.

Commander William L. Stubblefield received a memo of congratulations from the Director on the completion of all the requirements for his doctorate degree. He expects to receive his Ph.D. degree from Texas A&M University at the May graduation.

## ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - National Marine Fisheries Service, Office of Science and Environment, Resource Assessment Division  
Washington, D. C.

Rank: Lt. (jg) - Lt. Cdr.

Incumbent: Lt. Cdr. Michael Kawka

### Introduction

This assignment is at the National Marine Fisheries Service Headquarters in Washington, D. C., as a staff member in the Resource Assessment Division (F52) of the Office of Science and Environment. The mission of this Division is to coordinate NMFS scientific research programs relating to the Fisheries Conservation and Management Act of 1976.

### Duties and Responsibilities

This billet is in the Fisheries Engineering section of the Division. This section provides staff support in the areas of Conservation Engineering, Resources Survey Technology Development, Remote Sensing and Research Ship support. The officer's primary area of responsibility will be in ship support. This will include coordinating the annual request for NOAA ship time and maintaining performance records for NOAA fleet units, charter and other vessels supporting NMFS field activities. There will be a high degree of interaction with the National Ocean Survey's Office of Fleet Operations. Depending on rank, other NOAA Corps responsibilities within NMFS headquarters may be assigned.

The officer will work under the general supervision of the Fisheries Engineering Coordinator but will exercise a large measure of independent activity. The officer is encouraged to provide new thinking especially in relations with the Office of Fleet Operations. Orientation and educational travel to field facilities will be expected.

### Career Benefits

This billet is intended as a career development step for a mid-level fisheries-oriented officer.

### Qualifications

Preferred qualifications include a tour on a NOAA fisheries research vessel, a tour assigned to a NMFS field facility and an academic background in biology. Skill in oral and verbal communication and in technical analysis is desirable. Some experience in remote sensing and/or general engineering would be desirable but is not a prerequisite for the billet.

### Contact

For further information call Lt. (jg) Pete Stangl, FTS 634-7434.

Assignment Opening - Office of Assistant Administrator for Management and Budget,  
Facilities and Space Management Division  
Rockville, MD

Position - Assistant NOAA Safety Officer

Rank - Lt. (jg) - Lt. Cdr.

### Introduction

In an attempt to upgrade the quality of the NOAA Safety Program, we request that a NOAA Corps officer be assigned to MB in the position of "Assistant NOAA Safety Manager." It is my understanding that an awareness of safety and dedication to the implementation of safety procedures is fundamental in the training and success of NOAA Corps officers aboard ship.

If we could have an imaginative officer who is interested in the problem of safety in NOAA, it would certainly help our overall safety program. The following is a short description of the duties and responsibilities of the proposed billet.

### Duties and Responsibilities

As Assistant NOAA Safety Manager the officer would be exposed to all areas of industrial safety. This includes writing directives, site inspections, writing and supervision of contracts, and making a study of NOAA's Safety Program compared to other Government agencies and industry. Depending on the individual's background, the office could negotiate a work unit to be accomplished in the two-year assignment.

### Travel

Travel is not expected to exceed thirty days per year.

### Educational Opportunities

The Rockville-Washington, D. C. area offers a large variety of educational opportunities. Montgomery College, George Washington University, Catholic University, and the University of Maryland, are all within driving distance of Rockville. The Government also offers a wide assortment of short-term courses from transactional analysis to project management.

### Supervision

This position is under the supervision of Mr. Sydney Smith, NOAA Safety Manager.

### VARIABLE HOUSING ALLOWANCE (Form attached at the end of the Bulletin)

It may be of some interest to know that Variable Housing Allowance (VHA) legislation is currently being considered by Congress and may become reality in a very short time. If it does, its administration will be placed under the authority of the Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee which is responsible for the Joint Travel Regulations.

Data on which to base this new allowance is very scarce. Accordingly, the NOAA Corps has been tasked with surveying its members in order to provide the necessary information.

You are requested to complete the attached survey and return it to the Military Advisory Panel Member, NOAA Corps, Attn: NC1, Rockville, MD, as soon as possible.

### Privacy Act of 1974

The information solicited on the VHA survey is voluntary. It will be used only for determining VHA under the provisions of the currently pending legislation. Failure to provide this information may (and in many cases will) result in no allowance being specified in your area.

### END OF YEAR REPORTS

A significant number of end-of-year reports have not yet been received in the Commissioned Personnel Division. Failure to submit required reports will be an item for consideration during the Annual Review of the Lineal List schedule for the last week of March. In addition, officers with dependents whose Dependency Certificates are not received by 1 May 1980, by law must have their BAQ at the with dependent rate terminated effective 1 January 1980.

## UNIFORM OF THE DAY

Summer uniforms are as follows:

Washington, D. C. Area - Effective April 6, 1980  
Norfolk, Virginia Area - Effective May 1, 1980  
Seattle, Washington Area - Effective May 15, 1980

Service Dress Blue (Bravo); Tropical Blue Long. Optional: Service Dress Blue (Alpha); Tropical White Long; Tropical Khaki Long; Service Dress White.

## VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - If a veteran dies before a home loan guaranteed by the Veterans Administration is repaid will VA pay off the balance?

Answer - No. The surviving spouse or other co-borrower must continue making the payments. However, mortgage life insurance, available from private companies, can provide protection against a survivor inheriting large monthly payments.

Question - I waived a portion of my retired pay to receive Veterans Administration compensation. If I receive a VA clothing allowance due me because of my prosthetic devices, will it also be deducted from my retired pay?

Answer - No. Veterans receiving retired pay are not required to waive any portion of it in order to receive the VA clothing allowance.

Question - My wife and I are both veterans. May we acquire property jointly, combine our entitlements, and increase the amount of a home loan guaranteed by the Veterans Administration?

Answer - Irrespective of the combined entitlement VA will not guarantee more than 60 percent of the loan.

## CHAMPUS NEWS

"Issue," "Effective" and "Expiration" - SOLVING THE CHAMPUS "DATE" PUZZLE

Many CHAMPUS users make mistakes in filling out a portion of the CHAMPUS claim form that requests three separate dates in one block -- "issue date," "effective date" and "expiration date."

Using the wrong dates or getting them in the wrong places in that portion of the form (block 5) can delay the processing of a claim by a month or more and requires that the claim be returned for correction.

Each of these dates appear on the dependent ID card and two of them, "issue date" and "expiration date," are on the retiree card.

Following is an explanation of each date and, if it appears on the ID card, where it is located.

Issue Date - The date the ID card was issued to the beneficiary. For dependents, it is on the front of the card in block 2. It's located on the back of the retiree card.

Effective Date - Probably the date that causes the most confusion, it is the date the beneficiary became eligible for CHAMPUS benefits. This date appears in block 15b on the back of the dependent ID card. In the case of retirees, the "effective date" is the date of retirement or January 1, 1967, whichever is later. An "effective date" block does not appear on the retiree card but the information is required on the claim form.

Expiration Date - The date beyond which the card is no longer valid. It is located in block 3 on the front of the dependent ID card and is also on the front of the retiree card. Some retiree cards have the term INDEF (an abbreviation of "indefinite") in that block. In those cases, the retiree should enter that term in the expiration date portion of the CHAMPUS claim form.

I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

None

II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

Commander

Fleming, Michael M. from NOS, NE Marine Support Facility, Woods Hole, MA, to NOAA Ship ALBATROSS IV as Commanding Officer.

Wyzewski, Theodore, change of duty station from Pentagon, Arlington, VA, to Naval Observatory, Washington, D. C.

Lieutenant Commander

Taguchi, Warren K. from NMFS, Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center to NOS, NOAA Ship CHAPMAN as the Commanding Officer.

Kissam, Allan D. from NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR to R&D, Office of Marine Pollution Assessment, Seattle, WA.

Lieutenant

Yanaway, Alan N. from NOS, NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER to NWS, Weather Service Forecast Office, Ocean Services Division.

Bretschneider, Dale E., NMFS, Southeast Fisheries Center to NOS, NOAA Ship CHAPMAN.

Kretch, Michael J. from Office of Research and Development to Office of the Administrator, NOAA, Washington, D. C.

III. PROMOTIONS

Michael Mallette	LTJG	12/15/79
Promotion control date adjusted to 78/08/05		
Eric Scretan	LTJG	01/05/80
Robert W. Maxson	LTJG	01/05/80
Gary D. Petrae	LTJG	01/05/80

IV. APPOINTMENTS

None

V. RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS APPROVED

Retirements

None

Resignations

Eddie N. Bernard	CDR (T)	03/03/80
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VI. RETIREMENTS

None

VII. RESIGNATIONS

None

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO LINEAL LIST

None

IX. ON BOARD STRENGTH AS OF 1 MARCH 1980 - 364

VHA Survey

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Grade \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_  
Permanent Duty Station Residence or Place of Abode

5. Is Residence in Item 4  A home owned or being purchased by you  
 A rental unit  
 Government Quarters

6. How many bedrooms does this place have? \_\_\_\_\_

7. Are you  Single  
 Married without children  
 Married with children

8. If you share your residence, is it with  
 Other individuals, indicate number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other families, indicate number \_\_\_\_\_

9. Please list average monthly expense

Renters	Home owners or purchasers
Rent _____	Purchase: Total Price _____ Purchase Date _____
Utilities* _____	Principle _____ Interest _____
Insur. on Possessions _____	Taxes _____ Utilities _____
	Insurance _____
	What would property rent for _____

\*Utilities should not include phone costs



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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

The Director, NOAA Corps, sadly reports the retirement of Verna G. Mize. Mrs. Mize worked in the Office of the Director, NOS, the Office of the Associate Administrator of ESSA, and the Office of the Director, NOAA Corps. Before that she had extensive service in the Department of Defense, where she also worked with various Navy Admirals. For her fortitude and forbearance in working with a long string of crusty flag officers she was awarded the Bronze Medal of the Department of Commerce. We shall miss her.

## Memo to the Chairman and Members of the OPB - Rearrangement of the Lineal List

The OPB has done a commendable job of rearranging the lineal list in recent years. Only those who have sweated through the process know how difficult it is.

Because new members have been appointed to the Board I should restate my concern with the practice.

First, it is important that we view the most desirable list as one which represents a progression of capability from top to bottom. At one time this was less important, and seniority was given much weight. The diverse backgrounds (and experience) of our incoming officers now require that we integrate seniority, experience, education, training and performance, and especially the latter, in evaluating the total capability of officers.

Second, that we bear in mind the need for maintaining equity in the system. Special circumstances must be recognized. It is vital that the officers of the Corps view the process as being "fair."

Third, we should put considerable weight on communications, awards, etc. Officers recognized in these ways as performing exceptionally well, especially if these acts recur, should be carefully considered for earlier promotion, and this requires an upward adjustment on the lineal list.

Fourth, officers perceived as being sub-standard should be brought up short. I am now of the opinion that we have not been severe enough in demanding better performance from some officers. Sometimes, of course, we have been hampered by a lack of adequate

documentation. Please be diligent in identifying officers who need a cautionary letter or a severe jolt.

Fifth, prior service officers deserve special review in light of paragraph 3 of this memo. Our initial granting of advanced standing is always somewhat arbitrary, and it is obvious that adjustments should be graduated to fit the circumstances of each case.

Sixth, recommendations for commendatory letters will be welcome. If a particularly deserving case appears to merit an honor award of some kind, I will be pleased to either assist a supervisor in obtaining such an award, or will sponsor it directly from my office if that is the most appropriate mechanism.

Seventh, more weight should be given to evidence of continued attempts to improve managerial or executive ability. With the failure to assign officers into ships' offices and the centralization of many administrative functions the administrative base of the Corps officers' careers is being eroded. Narrowly based professional competence is not going to be enough to assure survival in an increasingly bureaucratic mode.

Eighth, and finally, the OPB should only be influenced by documentary evidence. If individual members have supplementary information it should be confirmed in writing. The existing file must be the sole basis for our decisions. The individual officers are handicapped if material is used which they have not rebutted, much less seen.

#### Officers Making Comments on Form 56-25 - Comments on Training

A large number of officers have submitted suggestions concerning additional training, better training or different training. Rather than replying individually to these officers, a restatement of NOAA Corps Policy on training may suffice. The detailed suggestions will, however, be forwarded to the offices that should be interested in following through. Most suggestions on training were of a nature that suggested additional training of one kind or another.

The NOAA Corps Policy recognizes that, in general, training in the skills or disciplines of a particular program, is the responsibility of the program manager. The NOAA Corps conducts training in generalized areas of importance to all officers, and supports full-time university training education of all officers. Each program manager is assumed to have a degree of self-interest in expanding the capabilities of his or her people. Because Corps officers are involved in a wide spectrum of programs and activities, it would be difficult even to list all the possible training opportunities of value. The Corps strongly urges all officers to take advantage of all opportunities to enhance their professional capabilities. Training courses should not be taken merely as a prerequisite to promotion, but as a mechanism by which professional capabilities of officers, at all grades, may be enhanced. NOAA, and other parts of the government sponsor numerous training courses and so do a multitude of institutions outside of the government. NOAA itself, has the capability to conduct training in almost any aspect of its operations. What is required is a recognition on the part of the program managers that it is necessary for them to assist in the upgrading of their employees. Technical training and retraining is a necessity for all professional people. However, it is also important that they become competent in a variety of management skills. We strongly urge all officers to participate in management-related training, wherever it may be conducted. This will require a degree of entrepreneurship on the part of the Corps officers, because of the necessity of sandwiching such training in, while still carrying out the responsibilities of a full-time job.

Many of the detailed suggestions received this year outlined requirements for training in the duties of Commanding Officers, Executive Officers, Operations Officers, and so forth. These are properly the domain of the Office of Fleet Operations and these suggestions will be transmitted to them. Some of the suggestions point out the desirability of on-the-job training aboard ship. We strongly recommend that all officers assigned to sea duty be permitted to actively train to meet the requirements of billets senior to the ones in which they happen to be serving.

A number of suggestions concern the quality and quantity of correspondence courses. The quality of correspondence courses depends to a large extent on the institution providing the service, and the level of difficulty they contain. Some of these have been described as overly simple. I would suggest that officers not constrain themselves to the number of correspondence courses required for promotion, but to undertake as many as their time and interest and assignment will permit. Some of the suggestions discuss the increasing utility of the Rhode Island Fishing School, and the NOS Hydrographic classes. Some of the suggestions have to do with the mode of training. There is some sense that holding training courses in Rockville would be beneficial to people in the field. In general, I agree with these comments. However, increasing restrictions on travel will dictate that more of these be held in the field. It is easier to send a few instructors to a site, than to bring a class to Rockville. The trend and tenure of the suggestions on training indicate that many officers are concerned and interested in this vital activity. This is very encouraging. Continuing education is an absolute requirement for professional people today.

#### Comments on Compensation System

A number of comments and suggestions have come in on Form 56-25 to the effect that there should be an overhaul of the compensation system, particularly in the lower grades, and considerable improvement in the reimbursement for travel expenses. There is no question but that personnel in the lower grades are inadequately compensated by today's standards. This has been recognized not only in Congress, but in the White House. The effect on the NOAA Corps is serious enough, but the effect on the total structure of the uniformed services makes it a national problem. I think it is reasonable to speculate that this increasing interest and concern on the part of Congress and the Administration, will result in some realignment and increase in the pays of the lower grades. This will, unfortunately, be impacted by the discussion on reintroducing the draft. The Congressional attitude has been that in the presence of a draft little other incentive was required. Therefore, low scales were permissible. The all-volunteer force concept should, and would have eliminated this attitude, had it reached full fruition.

My personal opinion is that we will see increases in the pay of the lower grades. It is also clear that compensation for travel expenses lags far behind the actual amount required. This too, has been officially recognized and remedial legislation has already been proposed for some specific areas. The Director, NOAA Corps is a member of the Joint Services Per Diem, Travel, and Transportation Allowance Committee. This Committee is well aware of the problems of the traveling service person and is doing what it can within its own authority to increase the reimbursement possibility. It has also suggested legislation to cure the more gross deficiencies.

It is true today, however, that many times equity in matters of compensation and reimbursement must be sacrificed for budget expediency. It surely serves none of us well to receive additional compensation which is promptly cancelled by the effects of uncontrolled inflation. The Administration views inflation as a very serious problem

and believes that the federal work force should be an example to the rest of the nation. This policy level requirement and the necessity for individual equity are in basic conflict. We, of course, have an interest in not only preserving equity, but in preserving the economic soundness of our government. In the meantime the NOAA Corps will try to minimize the number of geographic moves in accordance with the specific goal of reducing travel expenditures, which are also rising, due to the effects of inflation.

Junior officers in comparing their compensation with that of marine employees, should realize the differences in the career contracts, which make the two systems considerably different. To state only one aspect, I would remind officers of the Corps, that the generous compensation of wage marine people depends upon them remaining on sea duty for their entire productive career.

### Temporary Promotions

The NOAA Corps has limited authority to make temporary promotions. These occur so infrequently that it is necessary to remind all officers of the conditions under which they are made. Otherwise, misunderstanding will arise which can have serious morale effects.

The basic authority is 33USC853j-1(c). This states: "When deemed necessary or desirable by the Secretary of Commerce to be in the best interest of the service, officers in any permanent grade may be temporarily promoted one grade by the President alone provided such temporary promotion will terminate upon the transfer of the officer to a new assignment, and further provided the number of officers holding temporary promotions under authority of this subsection shall not exceed the whole number nearest 1½ per centum of the total number of officers authorized to be on active duty."

We are, therefore, authorized six such promotions. These are utilized in a totally self-serving manner by the Corps. Officers who, for whatever reason, are placed in positions where their performance is inhibited by their grade are prime candidates for promotion under this authority. The promotion is not a reward for exceptional performance, it is not something any officer can influence, and it is not an indictment of the officers already in the higher grade. It is also not a reflection on officers of the same grade who are not promoted. It is probable that, all things remaining equal, any officer subsequently assigned to a position for which this determination has been made, will also receive a temporary promotion, if an officer of higher grade has not been assigned as relief.

We have seldom made such a promotion without some misunderstanding being expressed, usually based on ignorance of the government's motivation. The usual question is, "was there not a suitable officer already in this higher grade available?" The answer is, "probably not, under the conditions that existed at the time."

This authority will continue in use, and all officers should be sympathetic to its proper utilization.

### Responsibility Pay

The announcement of the impending use of responsibility pay by the Navy has aroused considerable interest in the Corps. Unfortunately, we are not eligible for this particular entitlement. Had we been we would have used it years ago.

A legislative change will be required to correct this situation, and they are not easily arranged. We shall watch and plan for the next opportunity to bring this about.

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Commander Edward M. Gelb was presented with the Department of Commerce Bronze Medal by Rear Admiral Lippold, NOS, for his outstanding service to NOAA as Commanding Officer, NOAA Ship TOWNSEND CROMWELL.

Lieutenant Roddy J. Swope was commended by Paul D. Arneson, Game Biologist, John H. Burns, Marine Mammal Coordinator, and Donald G. Calkins, Marine Mammal Biologist. These gentlemen are all with the State of Alaska, Department of Fish and Game, and were working on the Outer Continental Shelf Environmental Assessment Program. They expressed (in separate letters of commendation) their appreciation and gratitude for his excellent performance and a job well done while assigned to OCSEAP.

Lieutenant Commander David W. Yeager received a Letter of Appreciation from C. R. Thompson, Captain, U.S. Coast Guard for his outstanding performance and services rendered to the U.S. Coast Guard in searching for a sunken barge which was posing a potential hazard to the vessels transiting the Chesapeake Bay.

Commander Clarence W. Tignor and Crew of the RV/KELEZ were commended by Mario Ruivo, Secretary, Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, for their efforts during the intercalibration exercise of the IOC/WMO/UNEP Pilot Project on Monitoring Background Levels of Selected Pollutants in Open Ocean Waters.

Commander Francis D. Moran and Lieutenant Edward B. Christman were commended by Major Michael M. Cosgrove, Staff Commander, City of Miami Police Department, for their cooperation in the Basic S.W.A.T. School conducted by the Miami Police Department.

## ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - Office of Program Development and Management, NOS  
ADP Programming Branch, ADP Systems Development Division

Mathematician-Programmer and/or Programmer-Analyst

Rank - Lt. (jg) - Lt.

## INTRODUCTION

This position is located in the ADP Programming Branch of the ADP Systems Development Division, Office of Program Development and Management, NOS, Rockville, Maryland. This request is for a NOAA Corps Junior Officer completing his(her) first tour of sea duty. The request is primarily for a Mathematician-Programmer or Program-Analyst; however, an officer with a degree in Physics, Mathematics, or Engineering may also be acceptable. Training in computer programming functions would be provided.

## DUTIES

The officer will be assigned to the Project Group responsible for the design, development, and implementation of ADP Systems for the NOAA Fleet and other NOS offices utilizing mini-computers. In this capacity the officer will:

Develop new computer software packages, in support of the scientific disciplines existing within NOS, utilizing mini-computers. Must ensure that the end result of each effort is a well-organized package including quality control procedures and program documentation. The officer must keep up to date on developments in the field of data collection and processing and apply new and more efficient methods whenever feasible. Will have or will develop knowledge of mini-computer operating systems and computer languages such as FORTRAN.

Interact with Branch staff members in the accomplishment of program modifications to existing software. This will require detailed efforts by the officer to make sure that the modifications are properly integrated into the program structure and that the desired end result is obtained. The officer through such interactions will gain considerable knowledge in the area of mini-computers and real-time data acquisition systems. Later this knowledge could be specifically applied to shipboard computer operations as well as providing a broader view of overall NOS activities.

Assist in major program conversions as a result of machine replacement and/or modifications. Must fully understand the details of the new operating systems in order to perform the conversions to fully capitalize upon improved features.

The officer may be asked to travel to NOS field locations including ships of the NOAA Fleet to investigate problems, install new software, and/or provide training for shipboard personnel in the use and operation of new systems.

### SUPERVISION

The officer will work under the supervision of the Branch Chief or Projects Group Leader.

### CONTACT

For further information regarding these positions contact Robert G. Fish, Chief, ADP Programming Branch, 443-8166.

Assignment Opening - Office of Coastal Zone Management  
NEPA Compliance Unit  
Washington, D. C.

Rank - Lieutenant - Lieutenant Commander

### INTRODUCTION

The Office of Coastal Zone Management (OCZM) in Washington, D. C., has a vacancy for a NOAA Corps officer to assist the NEPA Compliance Unit staff for a period of up to two years. The NEPA Compliance Unit has two major areas of responsibility. The first is to assure that major actions taken by OCZM meet the requirements of environmental laws, regulations and executive orders. The other responsibility includes working on special projects and studies which provide technical assistance to various user groups. The position of Special Projects Officer carries with it the major areas of responsibilities to Environmental Specialist and Technical Program Assistant.

### DUTIES

As Environmental Specialist, the incumbent will be responsible for writing environmental assessments or parts of environmental impact statements on actions initiated by OCZM. These actions include funding projects under the Coastal Energy Impact Program, Marine and Estuarine Sanctuaries and State Coastal Zone Management Program approvals. This may require site visits to the projects in some cases and facilitating communications between other Federal, State and local government agencies and the public.

As Technical Program Assistant, the incumbent would assist the Chief of the NEPA Compliance Unit in conducting research on topics of special interest to OCZM and coastal states, including, but not limited to coastal fisheries management, natural hazards, coastal energy facilities. The duration of the work can be either short or long term.

## QUALIFICATIONS

Background in Environmental, Physical or Earth Sciences, Oceanography or Fisheries Management are suited for this position. Writing and editorial skills are essential as well as the ability to communicate effectively with others. Previous analytical assessment experience desirable but not essential.

## CONTACT

Dr. Robert R. Kifer, Chief, NEPA Compliance Unit, OCZM (202) 634-4253.

## PROMOTIONS!! ELIGIBILITY?? DATE?? CORRESPONDENCE COURSES OR EXAMS

(a) Reference: NOAA Corps Regulations 56-46. Subsection 6c(8)

"All officers are considered to have sufficient time in which to complete these requirements\* prior to the date of eligibility,..."

\*(These requirements refer to "PROFESSIONAL" Qualifications, i.e., Correspondence Courses and Exams).

The Regulation Continues:

"An officer's eligibility date for promotion is determined by adding the Length of Service Requirement prescribed in paragraph 9 below to the officer's promotion control date\*."

\*Available in Annual Corps Roster

## TRAVEL TIPS

Occasionally, NOAA Corps officers in discussion with officers from the other services discover "Do-It-Yourself" or "Dirty" moves. Statutory authority to move household effects under this program includes only Department of Defense members. Therefore, NOAA Corps officers are not entitled to the monetary benefits of this program. Should you move yourself, you would be entitled only to actual expenses not to exceed what it would have cost to move you using a GBL and within your weight limits.

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Imprest Fund Cashier may now pay up to \$150.00 for Travel Vouchers. It is suggested that travel vouchers up to that amount, be paid through cashier and not by check from the Treasury Department. However, if a travel advance is obtained the voucher must go to appropriate Field Finance Office for payment.

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Submission of travel vouchers - Your travel vouchers are to be submitted to the finance office indicated on your travel order within 30 days of completion of that portion of travel. A copy of each travel voucher is to be submitted to NC2 for travel orders issued by NC.

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Joint Travel Regulations Change - Appendix L, High Cost Areas - Listed by State and to facilitate locating the county within each state, a city, town or selected point is indicated opposite the county. (See attachment at the end of the BULLETIN)

TRAINING OPPORTUNITY - Department of Commerce Science and Technology Fellowship  
Program 1980-1981

The Department of Commerce Science and Technology Fellowship Program is now open for nomination of candidates.

Sponsored and coordinated by the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Science and Technology, this program combines an intensive educational and orientation program with actual work assignments to foster a greater awareness of the technical activities and problems existing in other agencies of the government, thereby providing motivation and encouragement for the development of cooperative endeavors and programs. The program includes a variety of special events, lectures, seminars, visits, conferences, field trips, and interactions with key people from both the public and private sectors. Participants will spend one week on Capitol Hill in an intensive congressional orientation, and one week with the Brookings Institution Conference on Science and Public Policy. They will also spend one week in the field visiting scientific institutions and industrial complexes.

The Commerce Science Fellows are brought together for the study of national and international issues related to the development, application and management of science and technology. The ComSci Program endeavors to build a clearer understanding of the following:

- the criteria for choice among scientific and technical programs
- the economics of fiscal policy and budget for science in government
- technological innovation as an element in the nation's economic growth
- scientific manpower as a problem of national policy
- the role of higher management in decisions on technical programs
- science and technology in world affairs
- the organization of scientific activities in the Federal Government

The ten-month (September 1980 - June 1981) program is primarily for Commander and above.

For Information: NOAA Corps  
NC2, Program Planning, Liaison, and Training  
Rock-Wall Bldg. - Room 105  
Rockville, MD 20852  
(301)443-8950

OBITUARIES

Commander Edwin C. Baum passed away on January 25, 1980. Commander Baum was appointed as deck officer on April 6, 1927 and commissioned as an ensign on October 21, 1927. He served aboard the NOAA ships MIKAWA, RANGER, EXPLORER, SURVEYOR, DISCOVERER, HYDROGRAPHER, and PATHFINDER. He was transferred to the Navy during World War II and was stationed in Washington, D. C. His other assignments included duty in the Philippine Islands, San Francisco Bay, the Seattle Field Station and the Arctic Project. He retired on July 1, 1950.

He is survived by his wife, Marjorie, and one son, William.

Commander Ray E. Sundean passed away on March 8, 1980. Commander Sundean was appointed as a deck officer on July 1, 1958 and commissioned as an ensign on July 10, 1958. He served aboard the NOAA ships HODGSON, PATHFINDER, FAIRWEATHER, and OCEANOGRAPHY.

RAPHER as Executive Officer. His other assignments were with various field parties, the Fredericksburg Geomagnetic Center, National Tsunami Warning Center as Director, and at the time of his retirement (July 1, 1975) as NOAA Liaison Officer for the Pacific Marine Center in Anchorage, Alaska.

#### VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - How long after the death of a veteran does a survivor have to request a burial allowance from the Veterans Administration?

Answer - The claim must be filed within two years after the veteran's permanent burial or cremation. This may be done at the nearest VA benefits office.

Question - Persons just entering service are no longer eligible for GI Bill education. Is there another education plan for them?

Answer - The Contributory Educational Assistance Program was started when the GI Bill expired for new service members Jan. 1, 1977. Under this plan, the member invests in a special training fund each month while in service. The government later contributes \$2 for each \$1 invested. VA and the services have full details.

NOTE: Change to "Survivor Benefit Plan" (NDM 56-58) will be coming out through regular distribution - Watch for it!

#### I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Cdr. Karl W. Keininger, Jr., from NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING to the NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Data Processing Division as Division Chief (May 1980)

Cdr. Frank P. Rossi from NOS, Marine Surveys and Maps to NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING as Commanding Officer (May 1980)

Lt. Kenneth W. Perrin from Naval Postgraduate School to NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL (October 1980)

Lt. Donald A. Dreves from Naval Postgraduate School to NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON as Field Operations Officer (October 1980)

#### II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

##### COMMANDER

Mandelkern, Bernard N. from NOS, Photogrammetry Division to Research Facilities Center, Flight Operations Group, Miami, FL.

##### LIEUTENANT

Smehil, Dean L. from ERL, Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratory to NOS, NOAA Ship TOWNSEND CROMWELL.

##### LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

Sagalow, Michael S. from NOS, Office of Oceanography to NOAA Officers Training Center, Kings Point, NY.

Smith, Martin K., NOS, NOAA Ship TOWNSEND CROMWELL to NOS, National Geodetic Survey, North American Data Program, Rockville, MD.

III. PROMOTIONS

None

IV. APPOINTMENTS

Brian P. Hayden	LTJG	3/04/80
(Assigned to the Woods Hole Fisheries Lab. until the April OTC begins)		
Bradford L. Benggio	ENS	3/15/80
(Assigned to the Officer Training Center until the April OTC begins)		

V. RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS APPROVED

Retirements

James Collins	CDR	7/01/80
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Resignations

John B. Nelson	LT	7/31/80
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VI. RETIREMENTS

None

VII. RESIGNATIONS

Eddie N. Bernard	LCDR	3/03/80
Timothy A. Peasley	LTJG	3/04/80

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO ROSTER

None

IX. ON BOARD STRENGTH AS OF 1 APRIL 1980 - 364



APPENDIX L

HIGH COST AREAS IN THE UNITED STATES

The areas listed in this Appendix comprise the high cost areas in the United States referred to in Chapter 4, Part A, and the maximum amounts shown are the maximum amounts payable in these areas unless a greater amount has been authorized for unusual duty assignments by the officials specified in par. M4004. Unless otherwise specified, the high cost area is the county. To facilitate locating the county within each state, a city, town or selected point is indicated opposite the county.

High Cost Area	City, Town or Selected Point	Maximum Daily Amount	Effective Date
<b>Alabama:</b>			
Calhoun	Anniston	\$38.00	3-11-80
Jefferson	Birmingham	48.00	3-11-80
Madison	Huntsville	42.00	3-11-80
<b>Arizona:</b>			
Maricopa	Phoenix	46.00	3-11-80
Pima	Tucson	50.00	3-11-80
Yavapai	Prescott	46.00	3-11-80
<b>Arkansas:</b>			
Pulaski	Little Rock	42.00	3-11-80
<b>California:</b>			
Alameda	Oakland	50.00	3-1-79
Contra Costa	Concord	50.00	12-12-79
Fresno	Fresno	48.00	3-11-80
Kern	Bakersfield	50.00	3-11-80
Los Angeles	Los Angeles	50.00	6-28-79
Marin	San Rafael	50.00	3-11-80
Monterey	Monterey	47.00	3-11-80
Orange	Los Angeles	50.00	6-28-79
Riverside	Palm Springs	50.00	10-10-79
Sacramento	Sacramento	50.00	3-11-80
San Bernardino	San Bernardino	50.00	12-12-79
San Diego	San Diego	50.00	6-21-79
San Francisco	San Francisco	50.00	4-25-79
San Luis Obispo	San Luis Obispo	43.00	3-11-80
San Mateo	San Mateo	47.00	3-11-80
Santa Barbara	Santa Barbara	50.00	6-28-79
Santa Clara	San Jose	50.00	3-11-80
Santa Cruz	Santa Cruz	50.00	3-11-80
Solano	Fairfield	50.00	3-11-80
Sonoma	Santa Rosa	50.00	3-11-80
Ventura	Los Angeles	50.00	6-28-79

High Cost Area	City, Town or Selected Point	Maximum Daily Amount	Effective Date
<b>Colorado:</b>			
Adams	Denver	\$50.00	3-11-80
Arapahoe	Denver	50.00	3-11-80
Boulder	Boulder	48.00	10-10-79
Denver	Denver	50.00	3-11-80
Eagle	Vail	50.00	3-11-80
El Paso	Colorado Springs	50.00	3-11-80
Jefferson	Denver	50.00	3-11-80
<b>Connecticut:</b>			
Fairfield	Bridgeport	50.00	3-11-80
Hartford	Hartford	50.00	6-28-79
Middlesex	Hartford	50.00	6-28-79
New Haven	New Haven	50.00	3-11-80
New London	New London	50.00	3-11-80
<b>Delaware:</b>			
New Castle	Wilmington	50.00	3-11-80
<b>District of Columbia:</b>			
Washington, DC	Washington, DC	50.00	9-18-77
<b>Florida:</b>			
Alachua	Gainesville	44.00	3-11-80
Bay	Panama City	50.00	10-10-79
Brevard	Cocoa Beach	47.00	3-11-80
Broward	Fort Lauderdale	50.00	6-28-79
Dade	Miami	50.00	6-28-79
Duval	Jacksonville	44.00	3-11-80
Escambia	Pensacola	43.00	10-10-79
Hillsborough	Tampa	50.00	3-11-80
Lee	Fort Myers	50.00	10-10-79
Martin	Stuart	50.00	3-11-80
Monroe	Key West	50.00	6-28-79
Okaloosa	Fort Walton Beach	50.00	10-10-79
Orange	Orlando	47.00	3-11-80
Palm Beach	West Palm Beach	50.00	6-28-79
Pinellas	St. Petersburg	50.00	3-11-80
Santa Rosa	Pensacola	43.00	10-10-79
Sarasota	Sarasota	50.00	3-11-80
Seminole	Orlando	47.00	3-11-80
<b>Georgia:</b>			
Fulton	Atlanta	50.00	3-11-80
<b>Idaho:</b>			
Ada	Boise	48.00	3-11-80
Blaine	Sun Valley	50.00	3-11-80

High Cost Area	City, Town or Selected Point	Maximum Daily Amount	Effective Date
<b>Illinois:</b>			
Cook	Chicago	\$50.00	3-1-79
Lake	Chicago	50.00	3-1-79
Sangamon	Springfield	46.00	3-11-80
Winnebago	Rockford	40.00	3-11-80
<b>Indiana:</b>			
Allen	Fort Wayne	50.00	3-11-80
Brown	Nashville	47.00	3-11-80
Clark	Charlestown	41.00	3-11-80
Marion	Indianapolis	50.00	3-11-80
<b>Iowa:</b>			
Pottawattamie	Council Bluffs	45.00	3-11-80
Polk	Des Moines	46.00	3-11-80
<b>Kansas:</b>			
Sedgwick	Wichita	48.00	3-11-80
Wyandotte	Kansas City	48.00	3-11-80
<b>Kentucky:</b>			
Fayette	Lexington	49.00	3-11-80
Jefferson	Louisville	49.00	3-11-80
Kenton	Covington	46.00	3-11-80
<b>Louisiana (by Parish):</b>			
East Baton Rouge	Baton Rouge	49.00	3-11-80
Jefferson	New Orleans	50.00	7-24-78
Orleans	New Orleans	50.00	7-24-78
Plaquemines	New Orleans	50.00	7-24-78
St. Bernard	New Orleans	50.00	7-24-78
<b>Maine:</b>			
Cumberland	Portland	47.00	3-11-80
Sagadahoc	Bath	47.00	3-11-80
York	Kittery	50.00	3-11-80
<b>Maryland:</b>			
Anne Arundel	Annapolis	50.00	1-8-80
Baltimore City	Baltimore	50.00	4-25-79
Baltimore	Cockeysville	50.00	3-11-80
Montgomery	Washington, DC	50.00	9-18-77
Prince Georges	Washington, DC	50.00	9-18-77
<b>Massachusetts:</b>			
Barnstable	Cape Cod	50.00	3-11-80
Berkshire	Pittsfield	50.00	3-11-80
Dukes	Martha's Vineyard	50.00	3-11-80
Essex	Andover	44.00	3-11-80
Hampden	Springfield	47.00	3-11-80
Middlesex	Boston	50.00	7-24-78
Norfolk	Boston	50.00	7-24-78
Suffolk	Boston	50.00	7-24-78
Worcester	Worcester	50.00	3-11-80

High Cost Area	City, Town or Selected Point	Maximum Daily Amount	Effective Date
<b>Michigan:</b>			
Kalamazoo	Kalamazoo	\$46.00	10-10-79
Kent	Grand Rapids	50.00	3-11-80
Macombe	Warren	43.00	3-11-80
Oakland	Pontiac	50.00	3-11-80
Washtenaw	Ann Arbor	50.00	3-11-80
Wayne	Detroit	50.00	3-11-80
<b>Minnesota:</b>			
Anoka	Minneapolis	50.00	6-28-79
Hennepin	Minneapolis	50.00	6-28-79
Ramsey	St. Paul	50.00	6-28-79
<b>Mississippi:</b>			
Harrison	Gulfport	44.00	10-10-79
Jackson	Pascagoula	44.00	3-11-80
<b>Missouri:</b>			
Jackson	Kansas City	50.00	3-11-80
St. Charles	St. Louis	50.00	3-11-80
St. Louis	St. Louis	50.00	3-11-80
<b>Montana:</b>			
Cascade	Great Falls	41.00	3-11-80
<b>Nebraska:</b>			
Adams	Hastings	45.00	3-11-80
Douglas	Omaha	45.00	3-11-80
<b>Nevada:</b>			
Carson City	Carson City	50.00	3-11-80
Churchill	Sparks	50.00	3-11-80
Clark	Las Vegas	50.00	3-11-80
Douglas	Stateline	50.00	3-11-80
Nye	Tonopah	50.00	3-11-80
Storey	Sparks	50.00	3-11-80
Washoe	Reno	50.00	3-11-80
<b>New Hampshire:</b>			
Hillsborough	Manchester	47.00	3-11-80
Rockingham	Portsmouth	50.00	3-11-80
Strafford	Dover	50.00	3-11-80
<b>New Jersey:</b>			
Atlantic	Atlantic City	50.00	3-11-80
Bergen	Fort Lee	50.00	3-1-79
Burlington	Fort Dix	50.00	3-11-80
Camden	Camden	50.00	3-11-80
Essex	Newark	50.00	3-1-79
Hudson	Jersey City	50.00	3-1-79
Mercer	Trenton	46.00	3-11-80
Middlesex	New Brunswick	50.00	3-11-80
Monmouth	Eatontown	50.00	3-11-80

High Cost Area	City, Town or Selected Point	Maximum Daily Amount	Effective Date
<b>New Jersey: (Cont'd)</b>			
Morris	Dover	\$49.00	3-11-80
Ocean	Tom's River	50.00	3-11-80
Passaic	Paterson	50.00	3-1-79
Union	Elizabeth	50.00	3-1-79
<b>New Mexico:</b>			
Bernalillo	Albuquerque	49.00	3-11-80
Dona Ana	Las Cruces	43.00	3-11-80
Los Alamos	Los Alamos	50.00	3-11-80
Santa Fe	Santa Fe	49.00	3-11-80
<b>New York:</b>			
Albany	Albany	50.00	3-11-80
Bronx	New York City	50.00	3-11-80
Broome	Binghamton	42.00	3-11-80
Erie	Buffalo	50.00	3-11-80
Essex	Lake Placid	50.00	3-11-80
Kings	New York City	50.00	3-11-80
Monroe	Rochester	50.00	3-11-80
Nassau	Long Island	50.00	7-24-78
New York	New York City (Including the boroughs of Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens and Staten Island)	50.00	7-24-78
Niagara	Niagara Falls	50.00	3-11-80
Onondaga	Syracuse	50.00	3-11-80
Orange	West Point	40.00	3-11-80
Queens	New York City	50.00	3-11-80
Richmond	Staten Island	50.00	7-24-78
Suffolk	Long Island	50.00	7-24-78
Tompkins	Ithaca	48.00	3-11-80
Westchester	Port Chester	48.00	3-11-80
<b>North Carolina:</b>			
Buncombe	Asheville	47.00	3-11-80
Wake	Raleigh	42.00	3-11-80
<b>Ohio:</b>			
Cuyahoga	Cleveland	50.00	3-11-80
Franklin	Columbus	50.00	3-11-80
Hamilton	Cincinnati	50.00	3-11-80
Lucas	Toledo	47.00	3-11-80
Montgomery	Dayton	48.00	3-11-80
Summit	Akron	48.00	3-11-80
<b>Oklahoma:</b>			
Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	43.00	3-11-80
Osage	Tulsa	43.00	3-11-80
Tulsa	Tulsa	43.00	3-11-80

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Oregon:			
Multnomah	Portland	\$50.00	3-11-80
Pennsylvania:			
Allegheny	Pittsburgh	50.00	3-11-80
Chester	Valley Forge	50.00	3-11-80
Cumberland	Mechanicsburg	45.00	10-10-79
Dauphin	Harrisburg	50.00	3-11-80
Delaware	Chester	50.00	3-11-80
Lebanon	Indiantown Gap	45.00	3-11-80
Montgomery	King of Prussia	50.00	3-11-80
Philadelphia	Philadelphia	50.00	7-24-78
York	York	45.00	3-11-80
Rhode Island:			
Kent	Warwick	50.00	3-11-80
Newport	Newport	50.00	3-11-80
Providence	Providence	50.00	3-11-80
Washington	Quonset	45.00	3-11-80
South Carolina:			
Berkeley	Charleston	49.00	3-11-80
Charleston	Charleston	49.00	3-11-80
South Dakota:			
Meade	Rapid City	43.00	3-11-80
Pennington	Rapid City	43.00	3-11-80
Tennessee:			
Davidson	Nashville	45.00	3-11-80
Shelby	Memphis	49.00	3-11-80
Texas:			
Bexar	San Antonio	47.00	3-11-80
Dallas	Dallas	50.00	6-28-79
El Paso	El Paso	47.00	3-11-80
Harris	Houston	50.00	3-11-80
Jefferson	Beaumont	50.00	3-11-80
Potter	Amarillo	44.00	3-11-80
Tarrant	Ft. Worth	50.00	6-28-79
Travis	Austin	50.00	3-11-80
Utah:			
Box Elder	Brigham City	49.00	3-11-80
Salt Lake	Salt Lake City	49.00	3-11-80
Tooele	Tooele	49.00	3-11-80
Vermont:			
Chittenden	Burlington	48.00	3-11-80

High Cost Area	City, Town or Selected Point	Maximum Daily Amount	Effective Date
<b>Virginia:</b>			
Alexandria	(Independent City)	\$50.00	9-18-77
Arlington	Washington, DC	50.00	9-18-77
Chesapeake	(Independent City)	47.00	6-28-79
Chesterfield	Richmond	44.00	10-10-79
Dinwiddie	Petersburg	43.00	1-8-80
Fairfax	(Independent City)	50.00	9-18-77
Falls Church	(Independent City)	50.00	9-18-77
Fairfax	Washington, DC	50.00	9-18-77
Hampton	(Independent City)	47.00	6-28-79
Henrico	Richmond	44.00	10-10-79
Isle of Wright	Newport News	47.00	3-11-80
James City	Williamsburg	50.00	3-11-80
Loudoun	Washington, DC	50.00	9-18-77
Newport News	(Independent City)	47.00	10-10-79
Norfolk	(Independent City)	47.00	6-28-79
Prince George	Petersburg	43.00	1-8-80
Portsmouth	(Independent City)	47.00	6-28-79
Petersburg	(Independent City)	43.00	1-8-80
Richmond	(Independent City)	44.00	10-10-79
Roanoke	Salem	43.00	3-11-80
Roanoke	(Independent City)	43.00	6-28-79
Virginia Beach	(Independent City)	47.00	6-28-79
York	Hampton	47.00	3-11-80
<b>Washington:</b>			
King	Seattle	50.00	3-11-80
Island	Whidbey Island	43.00	3-11-80
Spokane	Spokane	50.00	3-11-80
<b>West Virginia:</b>			
Cabell	Huntington	45.00	3-11-80
Kanawha	Charleston	50.00	3-11-80
<b>Wisconsin:</b>			
Dane	Madison	47.00	3-11-80
Milwaukee	Milwaukee	50.00	3-11-80
<b>Wyoming:</b>			
Laramie	Cheyenne	50.00	3-11-80
Natrona	Casper	46.00	3-11-80



# NOAA CORPS BULLETIN

OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Most NOAA Corps officers accept the fact that continued professional study and growth are necessary as they advance through their careers. We see much evidence of increasing technical competence in all grades. Some officers, however, are not as diligent in mastering the numerous regulations which govern our conduct of Federal programs. When these regulations concern the way in which we manage our programs and expend Federal funds we can expect considerable oversight from auditors and investigators. Where they concern areas such as diving, flying aircraft, operating equipment, etc., we should foresee interest on the part of safety regulators, because we are dealing with the safety of lives and property. When the regulations in question are the NOAA Corps directives, the effects of ignorance are personal, and result in delays in promotion, bills for overpayment, or long stagnating reimbursements. All officers should arrange to devote the required amount of time to be aware, at least, of the sense of all of these rules. It is far easier if administrative procedures are done right the first time.

NOAA CORPS MISSION - The following statement of the NOAA Corps Mission will be of interest to those have not read it and will serve as a refresher to those that have.

### NOAA CORPS MISSION

The mission of the NOAA Corps is to provide officers technically competent to assume positions of leadership in NOAA's programs. Members of a uniformed service, they serve as officers of the Department of Commerce, or as military officers if transferred to the armed services during times of emergency. Discipline and flexibility are inherent in the Corps personnel system. NOAA officers are trained for positions of leadership and command in the operation of ships and aircraft; in the conduct of field projects on land, at and under the sea, and in the air; in the management of NOAA observational and support facilities; as members or leaders of research efforts; and in the management of various organizational elements throughout NOAA.

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Lieutenant Roddy J. Swope was commended by Robert J. Brock, Alaska Outer Continental Shelf Office, U.S. Department of the Interior, for his contribution to the Alaska Environmental Studies Program. As the staff expert on marine mammals he was invaluable and deserves much of the credit for the success of the program.

He was also commended for his efforts in this project by Kenneth W. Pitcher, Marine Mammals Biologist, State of Alaska Department of Fish and Game, and Howard W. Brahm, Leader, Arctic Whales Research Program, NMFS, National Marine Mammal Lab., NOAA.

Lieutenant Commander Arthur N. Flior was commended by Delmar Veech and Eugene C. Utz, Illinois Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics, for his excellent participation in the IFR-VFR Seminar.

Lieutenant Terry Laydon was commended by Commander Moran, Chief, Helicopter Operations, RFC, Miami, for his outstanding assistance in the ferrying of two UH-1M helicopters from Miami to Fairbanks, AK.

Commander Christian Andreasen received a Certificate of Recognition and Cash Award from Rear Admiral Robert C. Munson, Associate Director, Fleet Operations, for sustained superior performance as a Staff Assistant for Labor Relations and Program Development, Office of Fleet Operations.

Lieutenant Commander Patrick Harman received a Letter of Appreciation from Greg Bloom, Washington Trollers Association, for his hard work, enthusiasm and commitment to the Log Book Program, while assigned to Sea Grant.

## NOTE ON SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

Some of you have complained that your commendations and/or awards have not been published in the Bulletin. Well!!! We will be more than happy to "Blow Your Horn" for you. However, it is up to you to see that NC2 receives a copy of your commendations so that we can print them. Now this doesn't mean that, at this late date, you should go through your files for all those old pats on the back. Keep them current, PLEASE!

## ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - Engineering Division, NOAA Data Buoy Office  
National Space Technology Laboratories  
NSTL Station, Mississippi

Rank: Lt. - Lt. (jg)

Incumbent: Lt. Cdr. Frederick J. Jones

## Introduction

The NOAA Data Buoy Office (NDBO) is a center for environmental data buoy technology. NDBO develops and deploys reliable unmanned automatic data buoys to acquire, transmit and record marine environmental information. NDBO is conducting research and development work in the areas of sensor technology, data acquisition systems, satellite telemetry systems, and platform design.

## Duties

The officer will be assigned to the Engineering Division of NDBO and will assist one or more of the Engineering Division Program Managers. NDBO's programs are broad enough to allow the officer latitude to contribute in his or her own field of interest or expertise.

The officer's specific duties will include such tasks as writing specifications and statements of work for equipment and services, initiating procurement requests for equipment, acting as the "Contractor Officer's Representative," issuing work requests to the NDBO support contractors, writing test plans for systems under development, participating in the deployment of systems for evaluation and writing reports on test results. The opportunity to publish in various technical journals exists and doing so is encouraged.

The officer will work with a large number of NOAA civilian employees, Coast Guard personnel and contractor personnel. Initiative and the ability to work within a diverse organization are requirements for this position.

## Qualifications

A background in Electrical, Mechanical or Ocean Engineering or Computer Science with education or experience in the areas of digital electronics, data acquisition and processing systems and telemetry systems is required for this position. Writing skills are necessary. This position is suited to an officer who has completed at least one tour of sea duty and would like to exercise initiative, participate in team efforts and interact with other individuals in NOAA, other Government agencies, private industry and the academic community.

## Facilities

NDBO is located on the NASA National Space Technology Laboratories site near the Mississippi Gulf Coast midway between New Orleans, Louisiana and Gulfport, Mississippi. Numerous testing laboratories, shop and office facilities and computers are located on-site and available to NDBO. Other on-site agencies include NMFS, USGS, NORDA, NAVOCEANO, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Numerous college level courses are available on-site and in nearby communities. The Gulf Coast abounds with recreational opportunities such as sailing, scuba diving, hunting and fishing.

## Career Advantages

The officer will develop contacts in industry, government and academia; a better knowledge of NOAA and other Government agencies will be developed. The officer will be exposed to the latest technology in meteorological and oceanographic areas and will gain experience in government contract procedures.

## Supervision

The officer will be supervised by an appropriate Program Manager, in the Engineering Division. As the officer becomes familiar with NDBO's programs, he or she will assume a greater responsibility for the conduct of assigned duties.

For Further Information Contact: Lt. Cdr. Frederick J. Jones (FTS 494-2806)

We erroneously listed Lt. Cdr. Michael Kawka as the incumbent under the assignment opening for NMFS, Resource Assessment Division. The proper billet is as follows:

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Assignment Opening - NMFS, Office of Utilization and Development (F/UD)  
Fisheries Development Division, Washington, D. C.

NMFS Fishing Vessel Safety Officer

Rank: Lt. - Cdr.

### Introduction

The NMFS F/UD has embarked on a major initiative to assist the fishing industry to fully develop the harvestable fishery resources within the 200 mile U.S. Fishery Conservation Zone. Fishing vessel safety and insurance are critical factors in the attainment of this goal. The office cooperates with Coast Guard, Sea Grant, Public Health Service, other Federal agencies, academia, professional societies, and industry groups in promoting and supporting programs and projects that are designed to resolve safety problems confronting the fishing industry. The broad range of duties, responsibilities, and professional interactions make this an ideal assignment for the officer interested in fisheries development and management.

### Duties

Develop and maintain liaison relationships with NOAA and with other appropriate parties regarding national and regional fishing vessel safety activities.

Maintain a current knowledge of developments related to fishing vessel safety and insurance. Anticipate effects that developments or changes may have on various components of the commercial fishing industry and take appropriate advisory actions.

Participate in meetings or conferences held by State and Federal agencies, commercial fishery organizations, or other organizations to obtain cooperation and coordination in the development and execution of vessel safety projects.

Evaluate safety projects submitted in connection with fisheries development projects and have changes made, if appropriate, to conform to policy and program guidance.

Maintain and disseminate current knowledge of Federal, State, and private vessel safety policies and programs which may be used by the fishing industry to foster its own vessel safety efforts.

Provide guidance and technical assistance to Federal agencies and university and private groups regarding fishing vessel safety programs and projects.

Make presentations and prepare information material on this specialized subject area for delivery at meetings of dissemination to various news media, advisory service organizations, trade publications, and target audiences.

### Requirements

Previous sea duty.

Attendance at Fisheries Training Class at URI (can be taken during assignment).

Possession of personal tact and skill to cooperate successfully with government, academia, and industry officials.

Ability to assess, monitor, and evaluate programs and projects, and to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing to furnish information, assistance, and advice.

### Supervision

The officer will be under the administrative supervision of the Chief, Fisheries Development Division. Supervision will be limited to discussion of plans, policies, objectives and procedures for achievement of stated objectives.

### Contact

Lt. Cdr. Michael Kawka, Phone: FTS 634-1995

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Assignment Opening - National Ocean Survey, Office of Marine Surveys and Maps  
Marine Chart Division, Chart Planning and Technology Group  
Rockville, MD

Rank - Lt. - Lt. Cdr. - Cdr.

### Introduction

The Office of Marine Surveys and Maps, Marine Chart Division has a vacancy for a NOAA Corps officer in the Chart Planning and Technology Group--a staff function of the Division. The position carries with it major areas of responsibility in nautical chart and survey planning; inter-Divisional and intra-Divisional coordination; and coordination with other domestic and international charting and surveying authorities.

### Duties

Conducts detailed, critical analyses of existing chart coverage, scales, printing cycles, user requirements, and allied parameters. Prepares proposals for rescheming, reconstruction, new chart construction, or chart cancellation, as appropriate.

Represents NOS on interagency and international committees or working groups, whose efforts are directed toward the standardization of nautical chart and related products; establishing mutual responsibilities for charting and surveying; negotiating assistance that NOS can provide in the prosecution of outside agencies' programs.

Assists in planning or proposing new or improved nautical products or services.

Assists other staff members in monitoring the continual interrelationships between surveys and charts and related shifting of priorities, making heavy use of background as a mariner and hydrographer.

Incumbent will be required to prepare both oral reports and written letters and other correspondence in a clear and concise manner.

## Background

A background in cartography or civil engineering, or talent and desire to deal with related functions is highly desirable.

## Supervision Received

General supervision by the Chief, Marine Chart Division, and the Manager, Chart Planning and Technology Group, with periodic assistance or direction from other senior staff members.

## Supervision Exercised

Depending upon particular project being worked on, may supervise, direct, or assist, as appropriate, any members of the Marine Chart Division or outside agencies.

## Contact

Commander James P. Brown, Jr., NOAA, 443-8741.

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Assignment Opening - Processing Division, Atlantic Marine Center  
Norfolk, Virginia

Rank - Lt. (jg) - Lt.

Incumbent: Lt. Maureen Kenny

## Introduction

This is a three to four year assignment in the Processing Division, Atlantic Marine Center, Norfolk, VA, as Chief of the Electronic Data Processing Branch. The mission of the Branch is to computer process automated hydrographic and oceanographic survey data received from ships and field parties.

## Duties

The billet involves supervising five to six personnel consisting of a systems analyst, computer programmers, and computer operators. About 25% to 50% of the time is spent overseeing the movement of surveys from the field through the processing system, trouble shooting, debugging, and the writing of programs in FORTRAN to help facilitate this process. The Chief is responsible for all management of the Branch and development and implementation of new operating systems. Branch personnel will have input into the post-1980 hydrographic computer upgrade. A collateral responsibility is serving as a member of AMC's Hydrographic Inspection Team which involves a final checking of survey results before forwarding to the Marine Surveys Division in Rockville, Maryland. Computers available are a Harris/7, Xynetics Plotter, and Calma Digitizing System.

## Qualifications

An officer with a background on a hydrographic ship is needed. Some knowledge of computer programming is desired but not required.

## Career Benefits

This billet provides excellent preparation for a future assignment as a field operations officer on a hydrographic ship and greater managerial responsibilities. It allows you to get as involved as you want with computers.

## Contact

For further information call Lt. Maureen Kenny at (804)441-6558 or FTS 827-6558.

## TRAVEL TIPS

See articles attached at the end of the Bulletin.

## FULL-TIME UNIVERSITY TRAINING

Commissioned officers who wish to be considered for full-time university training assignments beginning in the fall of 1981, should submit their initial request through normal channels to the Director, NOAA Corps. This request should include a general outline of the desired program and a list of probable courses anticipated. The program manager (sponsor) will assist in determining the need in NOAA for the proposed training, provide supporting rationale for the training, and confirm that the officer has the proper background or incentive to complete the proposed studies. In general, the officer should have the prerequisites for graduate school completed prior to being considered.

Your request for FUT should be received no later than August 31, 1980. There are six to eight billets available for training and it is essential that your letter be received on or before that date.

For further information please refer to NOAA Corps Regulations, Chapter 56-77, Commissioned Officers - Full-Time and Part-Time Training, dated March 7, 1977.

## NOAA CORPS ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Director, NOAA Corps, and the Association of Commissioned Officers invite all commissioned officers, both active and retired, to the 63rd Anniversary Celebration of the Commissioned Corps. It will be held Saturday, May 17, 1980, at 8:00 P.M., at F.F. Waters Caterers, 12205 Nebel Street, Rockville, Maryland. Wives, husbands, and dates are also invited. Dress for active duty personnel - Dinner Dress Blue or Suit - for others informal. There will be a Seated Dinner, Open Bar, and Dancing. Those interested please contact Lt. Cdr. David Goehler, 301-443-8948 by May 5, 1980. Price: \$21.00 per person.

## ANNUAL CORPS SEMINAR - Rockville, Maryland

The NOAA Corps Office will host a one day Seminar early this summer. The theme will be "The Officer's Professional Development." The intention is to have a keynote speaker give a kick-off presentation followed by two workshops: One entitled "The Officer Evaluation System in 1982" and the second, "Promotion Requirements for NOAA Officers - What Should They Be?" The workshops will be of a nature that will allow all officers assigned to the Washington Area to participate and contribute their ideas. Officers in the field please forward your comments to the Chief, Commissioned Personnel Division, for inclusion in the workshops.

## I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Cdr. Jimmy A. Lyons from ERL, MESA Puget Sound Project to NOS, NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER as the Executive Officer until June 1981. Thence to NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR as Executive Officer (July 1980)

Cdr. Melvin C. Grunthal to remain as Commanding Officer NOAA Ships RUDE and HECK until January 1981.

Cdr. Joseph A. Sowers from NOS, Pacific Marine Center to NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER as the Executive Officer (January 1981)

Lt. Cdr. Michael Kawka from NMFS, Office of Habitat Protection to Office of Marine Pollution Assessment Program, Stoney Brook, New York (April 1980)

Lt. Cdr. Robert D. Hopkins from NOS, Office of Fleet Operations to National Advisory Committee on Oceans and Atmospheres (NACOA), Washington, D. C. (May 1980)

Lt. Cdr. David J. Goehler from Office of Congressional Affairs to NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER as Field Operations Officer (October 1980)

Lt. Cdr. Frederick J. Jones from National Data Buoy Office to NOS, Pacific Marine Center as Chief, Electronic Engineering Division (November 1980)

Lt. Cdr. Michael C. Meyer from NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL to Office of Marine Pollution Assessment (OMPA), Rockville, MD (July 1980)

Lt. Cdr. Richard P. Floyd reporting date to NOAA Ship FERREL is amended from May 1980 to 30 June 1980.

Lt. Edward E. Seymour from NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to ERL, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory, Ocean Chemistry Division, Seattle, WA (August 1980)

Lt. Francesca M. Cava from OCSEAP Office, Juneau, AK, to Office of Marine Pollution Assessment as Special Assistant, Associate Director for Program Planning and Evaluation, Rockville, MD (July 1980)

Lt. Gary M. Albertson from NOS, Pacific Marine Center to ERL, Outer Continental Shelf Environment Assessment Program (OCSEAP), Juneau, AK (July 1980)

Lt. Stephen L. Poole from Joint Tsunami Research Effort to NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON (January 1981)

Lt. John M. Tokar from ERL, Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratory to NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ (April 1981)

Lt. Warren T. Dewhurst from NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE (May 1980)

Lt. (jg) Robert X. McCann, Jr., from NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE to NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Coastal Division as an interim assignment prior to attending flight training (April 1980)

Lt. (jg) George J. Kuzmak from NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER to ERL, Space Environmental Laboratory, Space Environment Services Center, Boulder, CO (July 1980)

Lt. (jg) Charles I. Zigelman from NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER to NOS, Office of Fleet Operations, Rockville, MD (July 1980)

Lt. (jg) John C. Clary, III from NOS, NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN to NMFS, Southeast Fisheries Center, Galveston Laboratory, Galveston, TX (August 1980)

Lt. (jg) Andrew N. Shepard, Jr., from NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL to NMFS, Northeast Fisheries Center, Woods Hole Laboratory, Woods Hole, MA (October 1980)

Lt. (jg) Jay T. Rodstein from NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE to ERL, Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratory, Ocean Chemistry Division, Miami, FL (July 1980)

Ens. Cynthia McFee from NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER to ERL, Geophysical Monitoring for Climatic Change, Boulder, CO and thence to Antarctic duty (Fall 1980)

Ens. Lyman M. C. Burk from NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER to a hydrographic survey ship as determined by Director, Pacific Marine Center (September 1980)

## II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

### CAPTAIN

James S. Midgley from NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL to Office of the Director, NOS, Rockville, MD.

Robert A. Trauschke from NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL as the Commanding Officer.

### LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

Michael Kawka from NMFS, Fisheries Development Division to Office of Marine Pollution Assessment, Stoney Brook, NY.

### LIEUTENANT

Robert G. Mann from ERL, Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratory to NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING.

Warren T. Dewhurst from NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE.

### LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

Jane F. DeMuth from NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER to ERL, Office of the Director, as Data Analysis Officer, Boulder, CO.

## III. PROMOTIONS

Pamela R. Chelgren

LCDR

03/04/80

IV. APPOINTMENTS

Jonathan W. Bailey	ENS	04/08/80	U of Rhode Island	BS-Resource Development
Bradford L. Benggio	ENS	03/15/80	U of South Carolina	BS-Marine Sciences
Robert G. Bill, Jr.	ENS	01/06/80	U of Texas	BA-Zoology
Neil M. Bogue	ENS	04/16/80	Evergreen State Col	BA-Mathematics
			U of Washington	MS-Mathematics
Richard S. Brown	ENS	04/09/80	U of West Florida	BS-Biology
Franklin E. Ohlinger	ENS	04/08/80	Auburn U	BE-Mechanical Eng.
Brian P. Hayden	LTJG	03/04/80	Lowell State Col	BA-Biology
Susan D. Parker	ENS	04/09/80	St. Lawrence U	BS-Geology
Kenneth P. Peters	ENS	04/08/80	Montclair State Col	BS-Mathematics
Jose A. Rivera	ENS	01/16/80	U of Puerto Rico	BS-Zoology
				MS-Marine Sciences
Victor M. Rodriguez	ENS	04/08/80	U of Puerto Rico	BS-Zoology
Michael W. White	ENS	04/08/80	U of Georgia	BS-Zoology
William G. Wills	LTJG	04/08/80	U of Washington	BS-Atmospheric Science
Timothy B. Wright	ENS	04/08/80	U of Washington	BS-Oceanography

V. RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS APPROVED

Retirements

None

Resignations

Stephen J. Kott

LT

08/19/80

VI. RETIREMENTS

None

VII. RESIGNATIONS

Nancy R. Chamberlain

ENS

04/14/80

Robert E. King

LTJG

04/21/80

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO ROSTER

William W. Pearson II - Promotion Control Date adjusted from 75/09/10 to 76/06/06 and new lineal number of 281A.

Patrick J. Rutten - Promotion Control Date adjusted from 75/10/09 to 75/12/28 and new lineal number of 267B

Charles E. Gross - Promotion Control Date adjusted from 75/10/09 to 75/12/20 and new lineal number of 267A

Gerald E. Wheaton - Promotion Control Date adjusted from 75/10/09 to 75/11/03 and new lineal number of 263A

Gary M. Barone - Promotion Control Date adjusted from 75/12/17 to 76/02/21 and new lineal number of 272A.

IX. ON BOARD STRENGTH AS OF 1 MAY 1980 - 372

Effective May 1, 1980 Vol. 1 of the Joint Travel Regulations will be amended to provide NOAA Corps officers with an additional option for reimbursement of PCS Travel Costs. Currently, the member may receive a mileage of 10¢ per mile for the official distance of the ordered travel, transportation in kind either thru a TR or by tickets with a per diem allowance or reimbursement for personally procured transportation with a per diem allowance. As most members drive their POC, the mileage allowance is used most often.

On PCS orders effective on and after May 1, 1980, members who do not opt for the above listed alternatives, may be reimbursed under a MALT (Monetary Allowance in Lieu of Transportation) plus per diem system. The MALT payable would be at 7¢ a mile and the per diem would be calculated in the same manner as TDY per diem is calculated. As this is a major change in entitlements, a certain amount of instructions are needed.

First of all, members will not only have to report on their vouchers when they detached and reported under the terms of their orders but also when they departed and arrived at the old and new duty stations respectively. Additionally, members who have residences outside their old or new duty stations will have to report when they vacated and occupied these permanent residences. Obviously, per diem may not be paid to members at old or new duty stations or on days when they live in permanent quarters.

Second, and also important, members will be considered in travel status only in between time of departure and arrival or as mapped out above, between vacating and occupying permanent quarters. Leave will be charged for all other time between detachment and departure. Also, this will affect the effective date of orders because members who use only part of their authorized travel time will receive credit only for the travel time used.

The following examples are provided to clarify this entitlement.

Example 1.

Member assigned to Bethesda, Maryland is ordered PCS to Seattle, Washington and must report at 0800 on July 11, 1980. His residence is in Bethesda and he will live in Seattle. Additionally, he is authorized 9 days travel since the official distance is 2706 Miles (300 miles/day).

If member detaches at 1630 on July 1, 1980 and departs immediately and arrives in Seattle at 2110 on July 10, 1980, reporting to work at 0800 July 11, 1980, he would calculate his vouchers follows:

Itinerary:

7/1 Detach and Depart Bethesda, MD by POC  
1630

7/10 Arrived Seattle, Washington.  
2110

7/11 Report for Duty.  
0800

No leave used during period of travel.

Cost of Lodging	7/1	\$21.10	See Note Below:
	7/2	\$13.40	
	7/3	\$19.50	
	7/4	\$19.50	
	7/5	\$00.00	Stayed with friends
	7/6	\$00.00	Stayed with friends
	7/7	\$32.50	
	7/8	\$19.45	
	7/9	\$21.30	
		<u>\$146.75</u>	

Lodging Receipts attached as Required.  
Note: Lodging cost at old and new duty stations not allowed.

Note: When member occupies lodging with dependents, he has to have the single room rate anotated on the bill and use that rate for lodging. Otherwise, cost will be divided equally among occupants.

\$146.75

10 days (in travel status 1 thru 10 July) = \$14.67 Ave. Cost of lodging  
+ 16.00  
\$30.67 rounds to \$31 per diem  
(cannot exceed \$35)

Reimbursement:

2706 miles (official distance) x 7¢/mile (MALT)	=	\$189.42
10 days @ \$31/day Per Diem	=	\$310.00
	Subtotal	= \$499.42
Less 2 meals @ \$4.50/meal		[9.00]
(Breakfast & Lunch on 7/1) Net to Member		\$490.42

In this example, the effective date of orders would be July 2, 1980.

Example 2.

Member assigned to Bethesda, Mayland is ordered PCS to Seattle, Washington and must report at 0800 on July 11, 1980. His residence is in Washington, D.C. and he has a residence in Tacoma, Washington (South of Seattle). Once again, he is authorized 9 days travel since the official distance is 2706 miles (300 miles/day).

If member detaches at 1630 July 1, 1980 but does not leave his residence in Washington, D.C. until 0700 July 3, 1980 then arrives at Tacoma, Washington and moves into his permanent residence at 2330 July 9, 1980, reporting to work at 0800 July 11, 1980, he would calculate his voucher as follows:

Itinerary:

7/1 Detach Unit  
1630  
  
7/3 Depart residence, Washington, D.C.  
0700  
  
7/9 Arrive residence, Tacoma, Washington  
2330  
  
7/11 Report for Duty  
0800

2 days of leave used (7/2 and 7/10)

Cost of Lodging: 7/3 \$31.50  
7/4 \$18.85  
7/5 \$32.30  
7/6 \$19.40  
7/7 \$14.50  
7/8 \$31.30  
\$147.85

Lodging Receipts attached as required.  
Note: Lodging cost at old and new duty  
stations not allowed.

\$147.85

7 days (in travel status 3 thru 9 July) = \$21.12  
+16.00  
= \$37.12

becomes max. per diem \$35/day

Reimbursement:

2706 miles (official distance) x 7¢ (MALT) = \$189.42  
7 days @ \$35/day Per Diem 245.00  
Subtotal \$434.42  
Less 1 meal @ \$4.50/meal [4.50]  
(Breakfast on 7/3) Net to Member \$429.92

Effective date of orders would be July 4, 1980. Since member by doing so demonstrated that he only needed 7 days of travel.

Example 3.

Member assigned to Bethesda, Maryland is ordered PCS to Seattle, Washington and must report at 0800 on July 11, 1980. His residence is in Washington, D.C. and he will take up permanent residence in Seattle, Washington. Once again, he is authorized 9 days travel since the official distance is 2706 miles (300 miles/day).

If member detaches at 1630 July 1, 1980 and leaves his residence that same day arriving in Tacoma, Washington (does not occupy permanent quarters) at 2230 July 9, 1980 reporting in Seattle to work at 0800 July 11, 1980, he would calculate his voucher as follows:

Itinerary:

7/1 Detach Unit  
1630  
  
7/1 Depart Residence  
1730  
  
7/11 Arrive Seattle, Washington  
0730  
  
7/11 Report for Duty  
0800

No leave used during period of travel.

Cost of lodging:	7/1	\$18.45	
	7/2	\$30.20	
	7/3	\$31.50	
	7/4	\$14.75	
	7/5	\$13.60	
	7/6	\$18.20	
	7/7	\$19.90	
	7/8	\$21.20	
	7/9	\$21.50	
	7/10	\$21.50	
		<u>\$210.80</u>	Lodging Receipts attached as required.

\$210.80

11 days (in travel status 4 thru 11 July) = \$19.16  
+16.00  
\$35.16  
Becomes max Per Diem  
\$35/day.

Reimbursement:

2706 miles (official distance) x 7¢ (MALT)	=	\$189.42	
11 days @ \$35/day Per Diem	=	385.00	
	Subtotal	<u>\$574.42</u>	
Less 4 meals @ \$4.50/meal (Breakfast&lunch 7/1&Lunch&Dinner 7/11)		<u>18.00</u>	
		\$556.42	Net to Member

Effective date of orders is July 2, 1980.

Example 4.

Member assigned to Bethesda, Maryland is ordered PCS to Seattle, Washington and must report at 0800 July 11, 1980 but is also authorized 4 days proceed time (ordered to sea) and 15 days leave. Members' residence is in Bethesda, Maryland and will take up new residence in Tacoma, Washington upon arrival. Once again, the official distance is 2706 miles which results in an authorized travel time of 9 days.

If member detaches at 1630 June 19, 1980 but leaves his residence at 0550 June 17, 1980 arriving and moving into permanent quarters in Tacoma, Washington 2130 July 4, 1980 and then reports in to work at 0800 July 11, 1980, he would calculate his voucher as follows:

Itinerary:

6/19 Detach Unit  
1630

6/27 Depart residence in Bethesda, Maryland  
0550

7/4 Arrive Tacoma, Washington and occupy new residence  
2130

7/11 Report to duty  
0800

4 days proceed time and 9 days leave used during period of travel.

Cost of lodging:	6/27	\$19.50	
	6/28	\$21.50	
	6/29	\$17.75	
	6/30	\$31.10	
	7/1	\$18.40	
	7/2	\$19.50	
	7/3	\$20.00	Lodging receipts attached
		<u>\$147.75</u>	as required.

\$147.75

8 days (in travel status 27 June thru 4 July) = \$18.47

+16.00

\$34.47

Rounds to \$35/day

Reimbursement:

2706 miles (official distance) x 7¢ (MALT) =	\$189.42
8 days @ \$35/day per diem	<u>280.00</u>
	Subtotal \$469.42
Less no meal deductions	<u>000.00</u>
Net to Member	\$469.42

Effective date of orders July 3, 1980.

Example 5.

Member assigned to Bethesda, Maryland is ordered PCS to Seattle, Washington and must report at 0800 July 11, 1980 and is authorized 4 days proceed time (ordered to sea) and 15 days leave. Member's residence is in Bethesda, Maryland and will take up new residence in Tacoma, Washington upon arrival. Once again, the official distance is 2706 miles which results in an authorized travel time of 9 days.

If member detaches at 1630 on June 19, 1980 and departs immediately, arriving and occupying his permanent residence in Tacoma at 2130 on July 10, 1980 and then reports at 0800 July 11, 1980, the vouchers would be calculated as follows:

Itinerary:

6/19 Detach Unit & departs Bethesda, Maryland  
1630

7/10 Arrived New residence, Tacoma Washington  
2130

7/11 Reported for duty  
0800

4 days proceed time and 8 days leave were used during period travel.

Cost of lodging:	6/19	\$21.50	
	6/23	\$21.19	
	6/25	\$20.35	Any 9 days during period of travel
	6/30	\$21.75	
	7/2	\$19.35	
	7/3	\$20.45	
	7/4	\$19.50	
	7/8	\$25.30	
	7/9	\$23.80	
		<u>\$192.19</u>	Lodging receipts attached as required

\$192.19

10 days (22 calendar days between departure & arrival less 4 days proceed and 8 days leave)	= \$19.22
	+16.00
	<u>\$35.22</u> Becomes max. \$35/day

Reimbursement:

2706 miles (official distance) x 7¢ (MALT) =	\$189.42
10 days @ \$35/day PD =	350.00
	Subtotal
	<u>\$539.42</u>
Less 2 meals @ \$4.50/meal	[9.00]
(Breakfast & Lunch on 6/19) Net to Member	\$530.42

APPENDIX L

HIGH COST AREAS IN THE UNITED STATES

The areas listed in this Appendix comprise the high cost areas in the United States referred to in Chapter 4, Part A, and the maximum amounts shown are the maximum amounts payable in these areas unless a greater amount has been authorized for unusual duty assignments by the officials specified in par. M4004. Unless otherwise specified, the high cost area is the county. To facilitate locating the county within each state, a city, town or selected point is indicated opposite the county.

HIGH COST AREA	CITY, TOWN OR SELECTED POINT	MAXIMUM DAILY AMOUNT	EFFECTIVE DATE
Alabama:			
* * *			
Mobile	Mobile	\$ 44.00	4-25-80
Montgomery	Montgomery	44.00	4-25-80
Arizona:			
* * *			
Yuma	Yuma	43.00	4-25-80
Arkansas:			
* * *			
Washington	Fayetteville	41.00	4-25-80
* * * *			
Colorado:			
* * *			
Pueblo	Pueblo	38.00	4-25-80
* * * *			
Illinois:			
* * *			
Peoria	Peoria	42.00	4-25-80
Rock Island	Rock Island	43.00	4-25-80
* * *			
Indiana:			
* * *			
Monroe	Bloomington	42.00	4-25-80
Vigo	Terre Haute	44.00	4-25-80
* * * *			
Louisiana:			
Concordia	Ferriday	44.00	4-25-80
* * *			
* * * *			
Maryland:			
* * *			
Harford	Edgewood	50.00	4-25-80
* * *			
Massachusetts:			
* * *			
Bristol	Newbedford	50.00	4-25-80
* * *			
Nantucket	Nantucket	50.00	4-25-80
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HIGH COST AREA	CITY, TOWN OR SELECTED POINT	MAXIMUM DAILY AMOUNT	EFFECTIVE DATE
Michigan:			
* * *			
Livingston	Howell	\$ 42.00	4-25-80
* * *			
Minnesota:			
* * *			
Olmsted	Rochester	45.00	4-25-80
* * *			
Mississippi:			
Adam	Natches	44.00	4-25-80
* * *			
Warren	Vicksburg	39.00	4-25-80
Missouri:			
Greene	Springfield	45.00	4-25-80
* * *			
* * * *			
New Jersey:			
* * *			
Cape May	Cape May	50.00	4-25-80
* * *			
* * * *			
North Carolina:			
* * *			
Mecklenburg	Charlotte	44.00	4-25-80
* * *			
Ohio:			
Clark	Springfield	39.00	4-25-80
* * *			
Oklahoma:			
Comanche	Lawton	39.00	4-25-80
* * *			
Stephens	Duncan	42.00	4-25-80
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Texas:			
* * *			
Hunt	Greenville	45.00	4-25-80
* * *			
Nueces	Corpus Christi	47.00	4-25-80
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Virginia:			
* * *			
Montgomery	Radford	43.00	4-25-80
* * *			
* * * *			
Wyoming			
Converse	Douglas	41.00	4-25-80
Goshen	Torrington	40.00	4-25-80
Hot Springs	Thermopolis	45.00	4-25-80
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Park	Powell	38.00	4-25-80
Platte	Wheatland	40.00	4-25-80
Sweetwater	Rock Springs	44.00	4-25-80

HIGH COST AREA	CITY, TOWN OR SELECTED POINT	MAXIMUM DAILY AMOUNT	EFFECTIVE DATE
Teton	Jackson	\$ 48.00	4-25-80
Uinta	Evanston	41.00	4-25-80
Washakie	Worland	40.00	4-25-80

\*\*\* )Indicate additional counties previously listed  
 \*\*\*\*)in the JTR's as High Cost Areas.



# NOAA CORPS BULLETIN

OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Volume 10, Number 6

1 June 1980

LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE) CHARLES I. ZIGELMAN WAS SELECTED AS JUNIOR OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Lt. (jg) Zigelman is an outstanding officer in every respect. His dedication to NOAA and the Commissioned Corps, devotion to duty, performance, and standards of personal and professional excellence make him an example for his contemporaries.

Mr. Zigelman's conduct as underway OOD is outstanding. He demands 100% involvement from each member of his watch, encouraging them to become more professional and competent in their performance and providing guidance and on-the-spot training to accomplish this. When the ship was involved in scientific operations his watch consistently performed in an exemplary fashion.

His duties and responsibilities increased greatly with the installation of a new Shipboard Data System during a short in-port period, prior to the 1979 field season. It is accurate to say that the many problems with the new system, caused by delivery of old components, nondelivery of some components, and the short time frame, were resolved either directly by Lt. (jg) Zigelman or by his careful supervision. His expertise is not limited to hardware. On several occasions incomplete or incompatible programs were made operational by Mr. Zigelman or by a programmer assigned to him. He accomplished this work in addition to standing his bridge watches.

In his spare time, during the Indian Ocean Project, he took on many public relations projects, giving tours and generally representing NOAA and the Corps to other NOAA components, the press, the public, and foreign dignitaries. He is proud to be a member of the NOAA Corps, is well liked and recognized as a dedicated professional.

The Director, NOAA Corps, takes great pleasure in commending not only Lt. (jg) Zigelman, but also the other Junior Officer of the Year Nominees.

Lt. Thomas L. Meyer - Northeast Fisheries Center  
Lt. Craig P. Berg - National Environmental Satellite Service, HQ  
Lt. Francesca M. Cava - Alaska Outer Continental Shelf Assessment Program  
Lt. Terrance D. Jackson - Southwest Fisheries Center

Continued

Lt. James W. O'Clock - Australia Solar Observatory  
Lt. John M. Tokar - Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Lab.  
Lt. Stephen C. Jameson - Marine Sanctuary Operations and Enforcement Division  
Lt. Michael J. Kretsch - First GARP Global Experiment Coordinating Center  
Lt. Kent A. Doggett - Learmonth Air Force Solar Observatory (US) Australia  
Lt. (jg) John T. Moakley - Northeast Fisheries Center

#### OTHER SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

Commander Karl W. Kieninger was commended by Mr. N. Nick Cretan of the Maritime Association of the Port of New York, through the Secretary of Commerce, for the professionalism displayed by the Commander and Crew of the NOAA Ship WHITING in charting the New York Harbor. Major discrepancies in charted depths and tide predictions were discovered. As a result of these investigations the WHITING was assigned to the task of surveying a major portion of New York Harbor. Mr. Philip Klutznick, Secretary of Commerce, extended the appreciation of the Department of Commerce and NOAA for the recognition bestowed on this organization as a result of those efforts.

Lieutenant Christopher B. Lawrence was presented with the Department of Commerce, Bronze Medal Award, by Richard A. Frank, Administrator, NOAA, for the innovative development and public dissemination of a digital hydrographic data file and for his superior service which exemplifies the finest that NOAA has to offer.

Commander C. Dale North, Jr., Commanding Officer, NOAA Ship PEIRCE, officers and crew were commended by Albert Mark, Public Affairs, NOAA, for their participation in the Washington Waterfront Festival. The success of the weekend was due in large part to the unfailingly pleasant, informative and interesting contributions of these people.

Lieutenant Commander Stewart McGee was commended by Dr. George S. Benton, Associate Administrator, for his participation in the Career Awareness Fair sponsored by the Prometheans, Inc. at the Washington, D. C. National Guard Armory. His efforts and those of other NOAA employees were valuable in informing students, teachers, and parents about career opportunities in our agency.

Lieutenant Duane C. Simpson was commended by P. Kiljo Park, Director, Ocean Dumping Program, for his effectiveness and efficiency as Operations Officer during his tenure with Ocean Dumping Program. Even after the reorganization from NOS to RD/MP he assisted, beyond his assigned duty, to complete many unfinished tasks they mutually undertook a long time ago.

Lieutenant Roddy J. Swope was commended by Michael L. Crane, Pacific Northwest Alaska Liaison Officer, EDIS, for his assistance in the review of data processing activity. For the first time, all digital data from a biological contract have been delivered, checked, and accepted during the contract period. The marine mammal specimen data and beluga whale survey data have been processed and forwarded to the National Oceanographic Data Center. The successful completion of this processing could not have been accomplished without the help of Lt. Swope.

Ensign Richard R. Behn received a Letter of Appreciation from Commander John T. Atwell, NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN, for the professionalism and initiative that he displayed while working aboard the MILLER FREEMAN.

Admiral Lippold, Admiral Munson, and Captain Taggart were commended for their outstanding performance as participants in the return of the Research Vessel Alaska from the State of California to NOAA and transferred, under loan, to the University of Washington, to conduct high seas research for the National Marine Fisheries Service, University research, and teaching activities. This transfer was unprecedented and required considerable administrative work.

Lieutenant (jg) Lewis D. Consiglieri was commended by Dr. Linda L. Jones, Task Leader, Dall's Porpoise Task, for his excellent work while assigned to this program.

#### ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - NMFS, Southwest Fisheries Center  
La Jolla, California

Rank - Lt. (jg) - Lt. Cdr.

#### Introduction

This position is with the Porpoise Stock Assessment Group within the Oceanic Fisheries Resources Division. This group is responsible for assessing the status of dolphin stocks impacted by the tuna purse seine fishery in the eastern tropical Pacific. Population data are collected from research aircraft, NOAA research vessels and chartered fishing vessels.

#### Duties

Following an initial period of orientation to the data collection and analyses system, the officer will be directly involved in the selection of aircraft and procurement of equipment for the dolphin stock assessment survey in FY82. He or she will work directly with the State Department in the procurement of clearances to work from several Latin American Countries. The officer will participate as a scientific observer on the survey. The officer also will provide computer/statistical expertise in the analyses of field data and will assist or complete written reports for publication in appropriate journals.

#### Requirements

BS or MS in computer science statistics or marine biology with strong computer background. Knowledge of Fortran language is desirable. Experience in planning or participation in at-sea operations will be useful.

#### Supervision

The officer will be under the direct supervision of the leader of the porpoise population project.

#### Contacts

For further information, contact Dr. Rennie Holt, Phone (714)453-2820, FTS 893-6285.

#### SUMMER STUDENT TRAINEE PROGRAM (By NC1 Recruiter)

At this time, the 1980 NOAA Corps Student Trainees are reporting to their summer assignments.

Accordingly, this is a good opportunity to remind the Corps that these students were selected on a basis of their academic background along with their potential for becoming Corps officers. If we are to succeed in our affirmative action program as well as attract highly sought after engineering professionals, programs of this nature must be successful.

Each of you has a part in the success that the Corps has in recruiting these students after graduation. Obviously, their experience with Corps officers will have a permanent effect on this effort.

The following information about this year's student trainees is provided for your reference.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Degree/date</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
Susan O'Connor	Geo. Eng'r/82	Col School of Mines	FAIRWEATHER
*Richard Peoples	Geo. Phys/81	Univ. of Delaware	NGS Party 19
Lola Wilhoit	Elec. Eng'r/80	Tenn. State Univ.	WHITING
*Robin Sainsbury	M. Eng'r/81	Univ. of Rhode Island	DAVIDSON
*Maria Villarreal	C. Eng'r/81	Univ. of Tex., E.P.	MT. MITCHELL
Debra Thedford	Bio/81	Tougaloo	DISCOVERER
Barbara Hough	Math/82	S.C. State Col.	PEIRCE
Calvin Johnson	M. Eng'r/81	S.C. State Col	MT. MITCHELL
Diana Durieux	Bio/82	Univ. of Cal, S.C.	SURVEYOR
John Garofalo	Bio/81	Univ. of Maryland	MILLER FREEMAN
Kevin McGee	Meteor./81	Jackson State Univ.	DISCOVERER
Jay Fernandez	Chem. Eng'r/82	Univ. Cal, SD	RAINIER
Dennis Jefferson	C. Eng'r/82	S.C. State Col.	MACARTHUR
Fernando Villarreal	C. Eng'r/81	Univ. of Texas, Austin	FAIRWEATHER
Lathesia Hall	Bio/82	FIT	SURVEYOR

\*Indicates repeat participation

Additionally, a Co-op student is also assigned to the fleet this summer.

Wayne Bennett	Bio/81	VA State Col.	SURVEYOR
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#### ATTENTION - OFFICERS UNDER DIVING ORDERS

You are entitled to \$110.00 per calendar month in which you actually dive. In order to receive payment, you must be sure this appears on your "Time and Attendance Report" (T&A). You are paid \$55.00 per pay period but you must be sure that if you dive the first pay period of the month that diving is also noted in the second pay period on T&A.

If your first dive of the month is made during the second pay period of the month be sure a green stripe T&A is sent to payroll for adjustment of the first pay period entitlement.

#### TRAVEL TIPS

The local travel rate in the JTR was changed to 20¢/mile effective April 30, 1980, for operating an automobile. Motorcycle transportation is still reimbursed at 11¢/mile. Officers are reminded that parking fees are not allowed in connection with local travel.

## INDEX OF NOAA CORPS REGULATIONS (5/1/80) AND SUBJECT INDEX OF NOAA CORPS REGULATIONS

See Attachment at the End of the Bulletin

### PHS TELEPHONE TOLL FREE INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICE

The toll free telephone service described in the attachment (at end of Bulletin) is applicable to NOAA Corps active duty officers.

### CHAMPUS NEWS

#### But Those Who Do May Cost You Less

##### DOCTOR PARTICIPATION IN CHAMPUS VOLUNTARY

A doctor's participation in CHAMPUS is entirely voluntary. A simple question to your doctor, "Do you participate in CHAMPUS?" before treatment begins might prove to be worth several dollars per word when bill-paying time comes around.

"Participation in CHAMPUS" means that the doctor agrees to accept as full payment for his services the payments of the patient's and the government's shares of the allowable charge as determined by CHAMPUS. Your doctor does this by checking YES in block 32 of the claim form, signing it and submitting it.

If you obtain medical services from a non-participating doctor or other health care provider you will be responsible for any amount charged which exceeds the amount allowed by CHAMPUS for that particular service. This amount would be in addition to your "share" of the allowable charge.

In some cases, physicians and other health care providers may sign and submit the claim but not check the YES block in the form. This classifies those providers as "non-participants."

#### Considered "Medical" Rather Than "Dental"

##### SOME ORAL SURGERY A CHAMPUS BENEFIT

While CHAMPUS does not have a dental benefits program and "adjunctive" dental care is extremely limited, certain oral surgery procedures may be authorized under the program.

These procedures, which may be performed by either physicians or dentists, are considered medical in nature rather than dental and do not require preauthorization as in the case of adjunctive dental care.

Oral surgery for which CHAMPUS benefits may be extended includes:

- o Treatment of oral and facial cancer.
- o Excision of tumors and cysts of the jaws, cheeks, lips, tongue, and roof and floor of the mouth for pathological examinations.
- o Treatment of fractures of facial bones.
- o Surgical procedures required to correct accidental injuries of the jaws, lips, tongue, roof and floor of the mouth.
- o External incision and drainage of cellulitis.
- o Surgery of accessory sinuses, salivary glands or ducts.
- o Reduction of dislocations and the excision of temporomandibular joints when surgery is a necessary part of the reduction.

Coverage for any oral surgery procedure which falls within the category of cosmetic or reconstructive surgery is limited and requires advance approval in writing from

the Director, OCHAMPUS. Aurora, CO 80045.

Got A Question on CHAMPUS? See Your "HBA"!

SERVICE HEALTH BENEFITS ADVISORS IN THE WASHINGTON METRO AREA

The next time you fill out a CHAMPUS claim form, you might like to have an expert standing at your shoulder to answer questions that arise. Or maybe you have questions about how to obtain CHAMPUS forms or what CHAMPUS can do for you.

Fortunately, there are people in the Washington metropolitan area whose job is to help and advise you on CHAMPUS and related matters.

They're called health benefits advisors and they can be found at the dozen or so service medical facilities or clinics in the Washington, DC, area.

Health benefits advisors, or HBA's as they are commonly called, help you to make the best use of the entire Uniformed Services Health Benefits Program, of which CHAMPUS is a very important part. Some of the ways they're trained to help are:

- o determining whether needed medical care is available from a nearby service facility or, if necessary, helping to locate an alternate source of care,
- o assisting patients in completing CHAMPUS claim forms and filing claims, and
- o distributing health/medical information publications to beneficiaries.

or help in these and many other health/medical areas, contact a health benefits advisor at any of the following locations (regardless of your service affiliation). (SEE ATTACHMENT AT THE END OF THE BULLETIN)

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - I want to use my GI Bill entitlement to purchase a mobile home and a lot to put it on. But I understand I must get two separate loans at different interest rates. Is this true?

Answer - No. Effective April 3, 1980, the loans may be combined at one interest rate.

Question - May a veteran receive Veterans Administration educational assistance for training leading to a private pilot's license?

Answer - No. Educational assistance may not be provided by VA for training leading to a private pilot's license. A veteran must, however, possess a private pilots license before entering a commercial flying program for which VA educational assistance is to be provided.

Question - Can closing costs be included in the amount of money the Veterans Administration guarantees for a GI home loan?

Answer - No. All closing costs must be paid by the veteran in cash from his or her own resources.

Question - I am presently on active duty and am participating in the Post Vietnam Veterans' Educational Assistance Program. I have a three-year enlistment commitment. How many months of entitlement will I have on completion of this commitment?

Answer - Under the Post Vietnam Veterans' Educational Assistance Program entitlement is limited to a maximum of 36 months, or the number of months you contributed, whichever is lesser.

I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Cdr. Theodore Wyzewski from Liaison Officer, Navy Oceanographer to the NOAA Officer Training Center, U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, NY as Officer-in-Charge.

Cdr. Ludvik Pfeifer from NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL to NOS, Marine Data Systems Project (Cx71), Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Services, Rockville, MD.

Lt. (jg) Robert X. McCann, Jr., from NOAA Ship PEIRCE to NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Coastal Mapping Division, Norfolk, VA.

II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

COMMANDER

Kieninger, Karl W. from NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING to NOS, Atlantic Marine Center as Chief of the Data Processing Division.

Rossi, Frank P. from NOS, Marine Chart Division to NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING as the Commanding Officer.

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

Wert, William A. from NOS, Pacific Marine Center to NOS, NOAA Ship TOWNSEND CROMWELL as the Executive Officer.

Floyd, Richard P. from NOS, National Geodetic Survey to NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL as the Executive Officer.

LIEUTENANT

Johnson, Gary L. from NOS, Marine Technology Environment Control Laboratory to NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ.

LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

Wilder, John D. from NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL to NESS, Miami Field Service Station, Coral Gables, FL.

ENSIGN

McFee, Cynthia from NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER to ERL, Air Resources Laboratories, Geophysical Monitoring for Climatic Change, Boulder, CO.

III. PROMOTIONS

Gerald E. Wheaton	LT	3/04/80
James C. Gardner, Jr.	LTJG	1/05/80
James L. Long	LTJG	1/05/80
Richard K. Dutton, Jr.	LTJG	4/22/80

IV. APPOINTMENTS

None

V. RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS APPROVED

Retirements

None

Resignations

Floyd Childress	LCDR	7/31/80
Bruce M. Scott	LT	8/15/80
Stephen J. Kott	LT	8/19/80
George J. Kuzmak	LTJG	12/19/80

VI. RETIREMENTS

None

VII. RESIGNATIONS

Roddy J. Swope	LT	5/30/80
Eric N. Birk	ENS	5/31/80

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Cdr. Edward M. Gelb	Lt. Mary C. Schomaker
Lt. Cdr. Richard A. Schiro	Lt. James W. O'Clock
Lt. Cdr. Max M. Ethridge	Lt. Thomas G. Clark
Lt. Cdr. Richard P. Floyd	Lt. Bryce M. Scott
Lt. Andrew A. Armstrong, III	Lt. Stephen C. Jameson
Lt. Gregory V. Segur	Lt. Michael J. Kretsch
Lt. Alan D. Anderson	Lt. Kent A. Doggett
Lt. John A. Murphy	Lt. William W. Pearson, II
Lt. Christopher B. Lawrence	Lt. Herbert M. Kirch
Lt. Craig P. Berg	Lt. David K. Howard
Lt. Francesca M. Cava	Lt. David M. Goodrich
Lt. Terrance D. Jackson	Lt. (jg) E. Scott Varney
Lt. Duane C. Simpson	Lt. (jg) Susan J. Ludwig
Lt. Gary M. Albertson	Lt. (jg) John T. Moakley
Lt. Todd A. Baxter	Lt. (jg) Douglas D. Smith
Lt. Hans E. Ramm	Lt. (jg) Eric Secretan
Lt. Mark B. Losleben	

Adjustments to the Lineal List

<u>Name</u>	<u>Old PCD</u>	<u>New PCD</u>	<u>New Lineal #</u>
Cdr. Sigmund R. Petersen	61/03/31	61/03/02	36A
Cdr. Richard E. Newell	62/04/10	62/09/01	48D
Cdr. Christian Andreasen	63/01/31	62/09/01	48A
Cdr. Joseph W. Dropp	63/02/17	62/09/01	48B
Cdr. Walter F. Forster	63/02/17	62/09/01	48C
Cdr. Donald E. Nortrup	66/04/09	66/03/08	74A
Cdr. John T. Atwell	66/06/20	66/03/08	74B
Cdr. Lowell J. Genzlinger	66/06/20	66/03/08	74C
Cdr. Jimmy A. Lyons	66/06/27	66/03/08	74D
Cdr. John D. Stackelhaus	66/08/13	66/03/08	74E
Cdr. John C. Albright	67/01/08	66/03/08	74F
Lt. Cdr. Robert D. Hopkins	68/10/16	69/04/04	104A
Lt. Cdr. Bradford B. Meyers	70/04/28	70/03/01	124A
Lt. John A. Withrow	74/01/15	73/07/15	194A
Lt. (jg) Gerald E. Wheaton	No Change		263A
Lt. (jg) Stanton M. Ramsey	76/04/07	75/10/09	194B
Lt. (jg) Mark P. Koehn	77/04/07	76/10/07	295A
Lt. (jg) Linda F. Haas	77/04/07	76/10/07	295B
Lt. (jg) Nicholas E. Perugini	77/04/07	76/10/07	295C
Lt. (jg) Mark S. Finke	77/04/07	76/10/07	295D
Lt. (jg) Robert X. McCann, Jr.	77/04/07	76/10/07	295E
Lt. (jg) Charles I. Zigelman	78/04/13	77/10/13	No Change
Lt. (jg) John C. Clary, III	78/04/13	77/10/13	No Change

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Cdr. 2  
 Lt. Cdr. 0  
 Lt. 2  
 Lt. (jg) 2

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 Lt. Cdr. 2  
 Lt. 1  
 Lt. (jg) 1

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration  
NATIONAL OCEAN SURVEY  
Rockville, Md. 20852

May 1, 1980

OA/C7x6:CA

TO: OA/CAM - Richard H. Houlder  
OA/CPM - E. A. Taylor

FROM: OA/C7 - Robert C. Munson /s/ Robert C. Munson

SUBJECT: Public Health Service, Toll Free Information and Referral Service

The Office of Fleet Operations has been representing NOAA on a committee formed by Public Health Service to investigate and make recommendations to improve seafarers' access to care through the Public Health Service. One recommendation of the committee was to establish a toll free number to make it easier for marine personnel to determine the location of the closest PHS facility when medical attention is required and to notify PHS in situations where it must be determined if a medical emergency exists for PHS to pay for the care. It is hoped that this will not only improve access to care, but also reduce the number of disputed claims.

The Wide Area Telephone Service (WATS) lines have now been installed and PHS has staff prepared to render the service. Attached is a fact sheet which highlights information about the service. Please disseminate this information to appropriate staff, ship commands, and port captains. Please NOTE: The nationwide number is for the contiguous 48 states only. It will not work from Alaska, Hawaii, or Puerto Rico. Also, "800" numbers do not work on the FTS system. The FTS number is 527-9477. The commercial number is 713-333-5503. Personnel should keep these numbers in their wallets.

The service is new and may contain unforeseen problems which need debugging. Because of this PHS has not yet advertised the system nationwide. This initial period is somewhat of a "test period" during which PHS would like us to communicate our reactions, observations, and any suggestions relating to the system to them for consideration. Any comments should be sent to:

Office of Fleet Operations  
ATTN: C7x6  
6001 Executive Boulevard  
Rockville, MD 20852

Attachment

cc: NCI ✓



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## **SEAFARERS' HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (SHIP)**

### **800 Number Fact Sheet**

- ★ Telephone numbers are: 800 + 231-7447 nationwide; and 800 + 392-7447 in Texas. May also be stated as 800 + 231-SHIP nationwide; and 800 + 392-SHIP in Texas. In some areas, it is necessary to dial 1 + 800 to gain access to the toll-free line so long distance dialing instructions for the local origin of call area will need to be observed.
- ★ The service will operate 7 days a week, 24 hours a day with trained staff providing coverage.
- ★ Establishment of this toll-free number makes it possible for a seafarer to telephone one number to locate the nearest PHS hospital, outpatient clinic or contract physician. In addition, if emergency services are needed, staff can help locate the nearest community hospital (per listings in the American Hospital Association Guide, maps and other aids) and give information such as city, state, address, telephone number and approximate distance to the referral hospital from place of call.
- ★ The Division of Hospitals and Clinics, in the Bureau of Medical Services, HSA operates and manages 8 general medical and surgical hospitals, 27 outpatients clinics and has approximately 400 contract providers in or near port cities throughout the country. The PHS hospitals and clinics are concentrated on the Atlantic, Pacific, and Gulf coasts; Great Lakes; and inland waterways such as along the Ohio and Mississippi rivers. Mobility is an inherent part of the maritime industry and it is not unusual for a mariner to embark from one port, disembark in another and live someplace else. Therefore, being able to call one easy to remember number for information and referral can be immensely helpful.
- ★ Current estimates indicate that about 300,000 American seafarers may be eligible for health care services through the PHS. This number includes approximately 40,000 deep sea mariners, about 85,000 inland waterways boatmen, an estimated 160,000 commercial fishermen and nearly 20,000 offshore oil rig workers.
- ★ To be eligible for health care services through the PHS a seafarer must have worked at least 60 days on an American flag documented vessel and be engaged in the care, preservation or navigation of the vessel or in the service of personnel on the vessel performing such duties; and must apply for care within 180 days of the last day of work.
- ★ The 800 number information and referral service is part of the Division of Hospitals and Clinics' Seafarers' Health Improvement Program (SHIP). SHIP is a collaborative effort between the Public Health Service, other Federal agencies and the maritime industry. Each share responsibility for and are interested in the health and safety of the American seafarer. A primary goal of the SHIP program is to improve seafarers' access to health care through the PHS and to stimulate communications between users and providers of health care services.
- ★ The 800 number service is also expected to provide a more expeditious notification to PHS when emergency services are used. In the past, one problem has been that seafarers have had difficulty knowing which hospital or clinic to notify to obtain authorization for emergency care. If the seafarer was too ill to make the call personally and had to rely on someone else to contact PHS, this further complicated the matter and often resulted in no notification to PHS because the proper number to call was not easily found.
- ★ Staff will make no attempt "to practice medicine over the telephone." Therefore, if the caller considers the problem to be an emergency, a referral to the closest hospital emergency room will be made. If this is to a community hospital instead of a PHS hospital, the caller will be told that PHS requires that the determination of a medical emergency must be made by the examining physician and the seafarer must be able to prove they are eligible to receive medical care services through PHS. Therefore, if the problem is assessed by the examining physician as less critical than a medical emergency, payment for the emergency room visit is the responsibility of the seafarer, not PHS. In addition, callers will be reminded about suitable documents (e.g., Masters Certificate or Coast Guard discharge papers) to show to officials in the referral hospital to verify. Such clarification is expected to expedite the authorization process including payment of valid claims and may also reduce disputed claims.

HEALTH BENEFITS ADVISORS

HEALTH BENEFITS ADVISORS IN THE WASHINGTON METRO AREA

District of Columbia

Walter Reed Army Medical Center  
Patient Administration Office  
Washington, DC 20012  
(202) 576-2097

U.S. Public Health Service  
Outpatient Clinic  
Washington, DC 20201  
(202) 245-1664

U.S. Army Dispensary  
Pentagon Concourse  
Washington, DC 20310  
(202) 695-3597

Air Force Clinic  
Bolling Air Force Base, DC 20332  
(202) 767-4089

Branch Clinic  
Washington Navy Yard  
Washington, DC 20374  
(202) 433-2640

U.S. Coast Guard Health Clinic  
400 7th St. SW, Room 6310  
Washington, DC 20590  
(202) 426-1094

Blanch Clinic  
Arlington Annex, Navy Dept.  
Washington, DC 20730  
(202) 694-1593

Maryland

National Naval Medical Center  
Bethesda, MD 20014  
(301) 295-1223

Malcolm Grow USAF Medical Center  
Andrews Air Force Base, MD 20331  
(301) 981-6913

Maryland (continued)

Branch Clinic  
Naval Ordnance Station  
Indian Head, MD 20640  
(301) 743-4601

Naval Hospital  
Naval Air Station  
Patuxent River, MD 20670  
(301) 863-3927

Kimbrough Army Hospital  
Fort Meade, MD 20755  
(301) 677-3982

Naval Regional Medical  
Clinic  
Annapolis, MD 21402  
(301) 267-2276

Virginia

De Witt Army Hospital  
Patient Administration  
Division  
Fort Belvoir, VA 22060  
(703) 664-2694

Naval Regional Medical  
Clinic  
Quantico, VA 22134  
(703) 640-2491

U.S. Army Health Clinic  
Vint Hill Farms Station  
Warrenton, VA 22186  
(703) 347-6680

Rader Clinic  
Fort Myer, VA 22211  
(202) 692-9809

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# FY81 NOAA SHIP ALLOCATION PLAN

Approved: *Steph Schwartz* Date: 5.2.81  
 Chairman, NOAA FAC

	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
I DISCOVERER												
OCEANOGRAPHER												
RESEARCHER												
SURVEYOR												
II FAIRWEATHER												
FREEMAN												
MT. MITCHELL												
RAINIER												
III ALBATROSS IV												
DAVIDSON												
MCARTHUR												
OREGON II												
PEIRCE												
WHITING												
IV CROMWELL												
DELAWARE II												
FERREL												
JORDAN												
KELEZ												
CHAPMAN												
V COBB												
RUDE/HECK												
VI MURRE II												

\* RD/PWEL ALLOCATED 21 DAYS FOR POLLUTION STUDY



# NOAA CORPS BULLETIN

OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

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## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The Director, NOAA Corps, takes great pleasure in reporting the following special recognition of Corps officers:

Lt. Cdr. William A. Wert received a Sustained Superior Performance Award and Cash Award for his outstanding work while assigned to the Pacific Marine Center Processing Division. He performed a wide variety of assignments related to improving the quality and efficiency of operational surveying units in an outstanding manner.

Lt. (jg) David K. Howard received a Certificate of Recognition from Ferris Webster, Assistant Administrator for Research and Development, for individual and joint efforts in the development of specifications, negotiation of the contract, and procurement of the NAVID system for the Tropical Wind Observing Ships Program.

Lieutenant (jg) John C. Clary, III, received a Letter of Commendation from Commander John T. Atwell for his excellent performance while serving aboard the NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN.

Lt. Cdr. Floyd Childress, Lt. Ted Lillestolen and Lt. Stephen Jameson, were awarded a Unit Citation from Michael Glazer, Office of Coastal Zone Management for their superior performance while assigned to OCZM.

Lt. Cdr. Ronald Jones and Ens. Marlene Mosgala, Officers aboard the MT. MITCHELL were commended by Nicholas G. Burke, AP, Lt/C, Executive Officer, Galveston Bay Power Squadron, Hitchcock, Tx. These officers spoke to Squadron members about the mission of the ship, and how that mission is carried out. It was an extremely interesting program and they did a very fine job of representing NOAA.

Lt. Cdr. David J. Goehler received a Letter of Appreciation from William I. Pogerman, National Weather Service, for his invaluable assistance in helping Mr. Edward H. Stoll meet President Carter and other dignitaries. The manner in which he conducted himself in moving a large group of people through the itinerary, was quite impressive. His calm demeanor and professionalism helped him through a hectic couple of days.

Lt. Cdr. Pamela Chelgren, Lt. Cdr. David Mac Farland, and Lt. Cdr. William Wert, were complimented by Charles D. Alden, DVC-OU, United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, for their valued input, instruction, demonstration, tours, and hospitality to the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary members at the National Chart Up-Dating and Aids to Navigation Workshop, held at PMC.

#### ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - Naval Environmental Prediction Research Facility  
Tactical Applications Department  
Monterey, California

Meteorologist/Oceanographer/Previous Sea Duty  
Rank - Lt. - Lt. Cdr.

#### Introduction

This position is located at the Naval Environmental Prediction Research Facility (NEPRF), Monterey, California, as part of a program to increase NOAA-Navy cooperative efforts in areas of common interest and purpose in meteorology and oceanography. The request is primarily for an officer with seagoing experience and some experience in practical meteorology and/or oceanography. Degrees in either of these disciplines such as mathematics, physics, or engineering are acceptable.

#### Duties

The officer will be assigned to the Tactical Applications Department, NEPRF, and will work with Navy officers and Department of the Navy civilian meteorologists in an on-going program to evaluate Atlantic and Gulf (of Mexico) Coast parts for suitability as refuge in hurricanes and severe mid-latitude storms. In this capacity the officer will: Compile and evaluate meteorological/oceanographic and operational characteristics of the ports under study, with the assistance of Navy Aerographer's Mates. NEPRF is developing computer programs to process some of the climatological statistics, which the officer will be trained to operate. Some manual calculation and analysis is also necessary. Visit ports to be studied along the East and Gulf Coasts and collect operationally-relevant data: this will involve calling on port personnel such as harbor authorities, nearby Coast Guard units, major port users, etc., to gather facts and statistics about port characteristics and operations. Summarize in writing the investigation of each port from a meteorological, oceanographic, and operational point of view, and document the results in a guide for port users including military and civil maritime sector vessel captains.

The purpose of these investigations is to provide solid, practical, pragmatic advice, based on factual information, to allow ships' captains to make on-the-spot decisions when storms threaten: whether to stay in port, put to sea, or go somewhere else. Previous port evaluations done by NEPRF for the Pacific and Indian Oceans have been gathered together in a single handbook, published primarily for military users by NEPRF. The NEPRF handbook has also enjoyed wide distribution among civil maritime users. Individual port evaluations have also received distribution to the civil maritime sector through republication as articles in the Mariner's Weather Log, published by NOAA's Environmental Data and Information Service (EDIS). Similar publication, (handbook and articles), is planned for the Atlantic and Gulf Coast port evaluations.

The tour of duty at NEPRF will be two to three years, with the officer required to do some traveling to the East and Gulf Coasts for port surveys. As his duty schedule permits, he may take graduate meteorology/oceanography courses at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey (normally one course per quarter).

Ports and associated approaches to be evaluated include: Norfolk, VA (evaluation already substantially underway); Boston, MA (including Cape Cod Canal approach); Newport/Providence, RI; New London, CT; New York, NY (including Long Island Sound); Philadelphia, PA (including Delaware Bay); Elizabeth City, NC (including Albermarle and Pamlico Sands); Morehead City, NC; Charleston, SC; Savannah, GA; Mayport, FL/Kings Bay, GA; Port Everglades, FL; Miami, FL; Key West, FL; Tampa Bay, FL; Pensicola, FL; Mobile, AL (including Mobile Bay); Gulfport, MS; New Orleans, LA (including Lake Ponchartrain); Port Arthur, TX (including Sabine Lake/Pass); Galveston, TX (including Galveston Bay); Matagorda Bay, TX; Corpus Christi, TX (including Corpus Christi Bay); Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; Roosevelt Roads, PR; Burmuda; and Punta Delgado, Azores.

### Supervision

The officer will work under the supervision of the Head or Assistant Head, Tactical Applications Branch, NEPRF.

### Contact

For further information regarding this position contact Mr. Sam Brand, Assistant Head, Tactical Applications Department, Naval Environmental Prediction Research Facility, Monterey, CA 93940, (408)646-2910, or Mr. Thomas J. Perrone, Ocean Services Division, National Weather Service, (301)427-7278.

### TRAVEL TIPS

Effective June 19, 1980, dislocation allowance is payable to members with dependents who do not move these dependents on a PCS. The rate to be paid is the without dependents rate and if the dependents do eventually move, the difference between the without and with rates may be paid. Members moving into government quarters do not qualify for dislocation allowance.

### UNIFORM REGULATIONS CHANGES

The regulations have been amended to include the following:

1. Removal of the "duck's tail" from the current women officer's hat.
2. Addition of a chin strap to the current women officer's hat for grades O-1 thru O-4.
3. Specifying that women officers are to wear name tags and ribbons or medals above the pocket flap instead of on the pocket flap as was previously specified.

### DIVING PAY

Last month's Bulletin contained an article on claiming diving pay. Since that time there has been a change in procedure.

Beginning in August the entire amount of diving pay (\$110.00 per month) will be claimed on your time card for the last half of the month. It will be necessary to submit a green stripe time card for diving pay if you fail to claim it for a preceding month.

#### ATTENTION RETIRED OFFICERS

The Navy Finance Center has a TOLL FREE NUMBER for people who reside outside of Ohio. You can contact them between 0800 and 1600, Monday through Friday, on 800-321-1080. People residing in Ohio should continue to call (216)522-5036. When you call, remember to state that you are a NOAA retired officer or survivor and have your social security number available.

When writing to the Navy Finance Center be sure that you print NOAA ACCOUNT, in large letters, on your correspondence and address the envelope:

Navy Finance Center  
Retired Pay Department (X)  
New Federal Office Bldg.  
1240 East 9th Street  
Cleveland, Ohio 44199

Also print on envelope: NOAA ACCOUNT Attn: 301G  
DO NOT OPEN IN THE MAIL ROOM

If not marked as indicated above, your correspondence will probably get into the Navy retired pay system which will not be able to identify you, much less act on your correspondence.

#### VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - What are the benefits to the veteran of using a VA guaranteed loan to purchase a home?

Answer - The security a veteran offers a lender is strengthened by the fact that the credit of the U.S. government stands behind the loan. Because of the protection of the VA guaranty, the veteran often does not have to make a down payment, as is usually required. Also, the loan may be prepaid, partially or fully, at any time without premium or fee.

Question - I am a widow receiving VA compensation. How do I arrange to have my check deposited directly to my checking account?

Answer - Ask your bank to submit a form SF-1199A to your nearest VA regional office. Be sure to have your deceased husband's file number or social security number with you.

#### CHAMPUS NEWS

Effective July 1, 1980 - CHAMPUS PAYMENT LEVELS MAY INCREASE

A change in the method used by the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS) to determine allowable medical charges was announced

by Theodore Wood, Director of the Office of CHAMPUS. The change will improve the overall level of payments for CHAMPUS claims, according to Mr. Wood, and is expected to result in an additional \$13 million paid on CHAMPUS claims for medical services.

Previously, the doctor's "customary charge" was one of three factors used in determining the allowable charge on a given claim. Under the new method, the allowable charge will be based on the lower of two factors, the actual bill or the prevailing charge for the service performed in that geographical area.

CHAMPUS officials believed that the elimination of the doctor's "customary charge" will narrow or remove the gap between a billed charge and the allowable charge, thus increasing doctor participation in the CHAMPUS program.

#### I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Lt. Cdr. Clarence W. Tignor from NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ to NOS, Atlantic Marine Center as the Assistant Operations Officer (July 1980)

#### II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

##### COMMANDER

Robert A. Ganse from EDIS, National Geophysical and Solar-Terrestrial Data Center to NOS, Office of the Director, Chief Scientist's Office.

Jimmy A. Lyons from ERL, MESA Puget Sound Project to NOS, NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER as the Executive Officer.

##### LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

Thomas W. Richards from NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to NOS, Office of Marine Surveys and Maps, Hydrographic Surveys Division, Rockville, MD.

Gerald B. Mills from Student status, Naval Postgraduate School to Instructor status, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA.

Gerald W. Stanley from NOS, Office of Oceanography to NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR as the Executive Officer.

##### LIEUTENANT

Gary M. Albertson from NOS, Pacific Marine Center to ERL, OCSEAP, Juneau, AK.

##### LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

Gregory DaSilva from NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE to NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Coastal Mapping Division, Norfolk, VA.

Kathleen D. Edwards from NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to NMFS, Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center, Resources Assessment and Conservation Engineering Division.

Teresa C. Bowles from NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER to NOS, Pacific Marine Center as Special Assistant to the Director.

III. PROMOTIONS

Stanton M. Ramsey	LT	5/31/80
Richard R. Behn	LTJG	5/31/80

IV. APPOINTMENTS

None

V. RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS APPROVED

Retirements

None

Resignations

Michael F. Kolesar	LCDR	12/31/80
James F. McGough	LTJG	10/31/80
Martin K. Smith	LTJG	7/31/80
Ronald K. Dutton, Jr.	LTJG	8/29/80
Ned J. Jerabek	ENS	9/15/80
Darryl J. Williams	ENS	10/10/80

VI. RETIREMENTS

Eugene A. Taylor	RADM	7/01/80
James Collins	CDR	7/01/80

VII. RESIGNATIONS

Mark V. Losleben	LT	6/30/80
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VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO LINEAL LIST

None

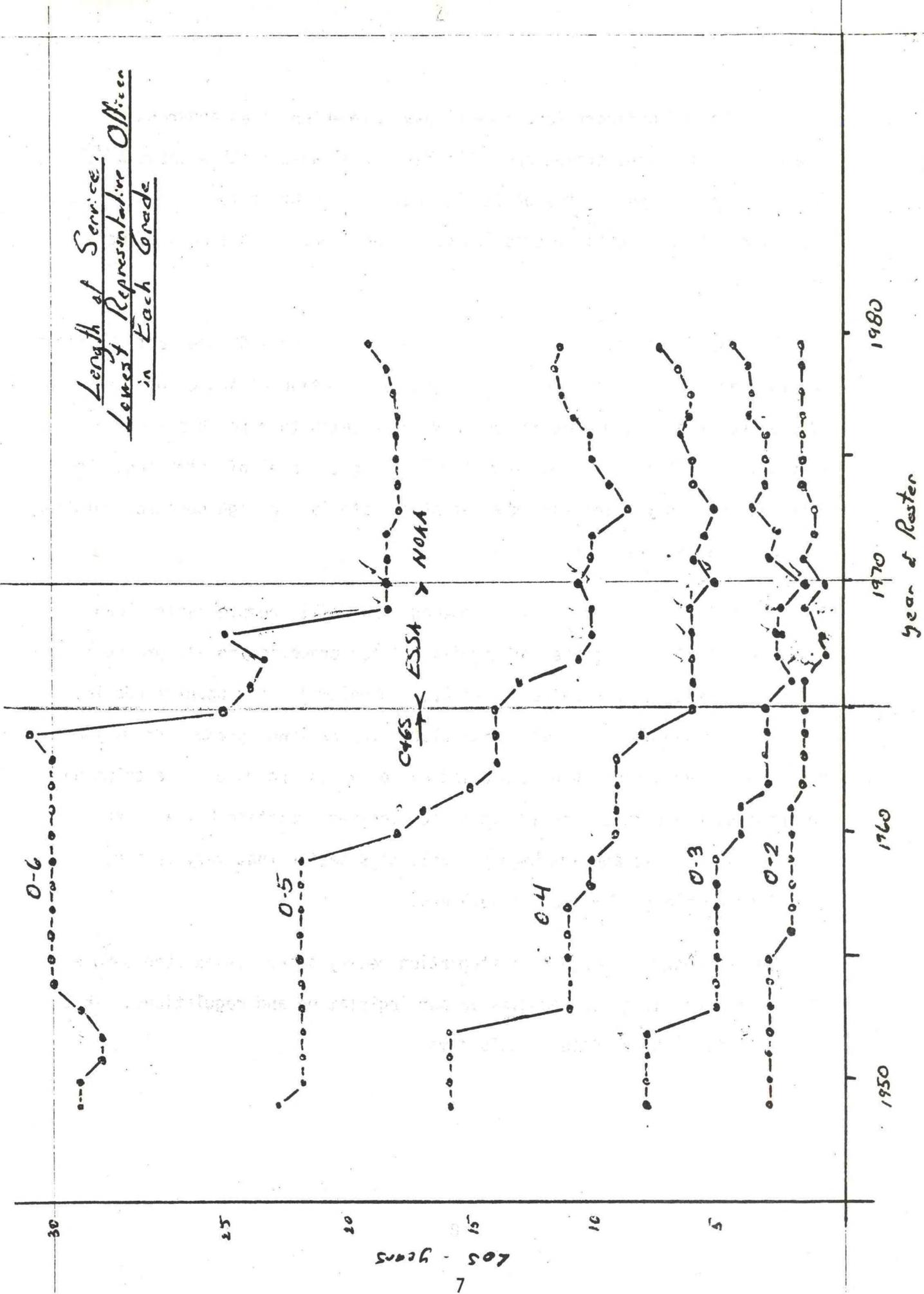
IX. ON BOARD STRENGTH AS OF 1 JULY 1980 - 366

ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE 67TH OFFICER TRAINING CLASS

Jonathan W. Bailey	ENS	NOAA Ship PEIRCE
Bradford L. Benggio	ENS	NOAA Ship RESEARCHER
Robert G. Bill, Jr.	ENS	NOAA Ship SURVEYOR
Neil M. Bogue	ENS	NOAA Ship DAVIDSON
Richard S. Brown	ENS	NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN
Brian P. Hayden	LTJG	NOAA Ship RESEARCHER
Franklin E. Ohlinger	ENS	NOAA Ship RAINIER
Kenneth P. Peters	ENS	NOAA Ship SURVEYOR
Jose A. Rivera	ENS	NOAA Ship DISCOVERER
Victor M. Rodriguez	ENS	NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ
Michael W. White	ENS	NOAA Ship DISCOVERER
William G. Wills	LTJG	NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL
Timothy B. Wright	ENS	NOAA Ship MCARTHUR

FLASH - Active duty officers in Washington, DC metro area may obtain dental care at the PHS commissioned officer's Dental Clinic, Bldg. 31, Room B2-B-34 at the National Institutes of Health. Telephone 496-2944

Length of Service,  
Lowest Representative Officer  
in Each Grade



1980

year & Roster

1970

1960

1950

LOS - years

A number of officers (and others) have commented on an apparent "stagnation" in Corps promotions. The curve published in this issue of the Bulletin illustrates the reason the Director of the Corps feels that far from being a negative effect the existing condition represents a mark of management success.

The rapidly accelerating rates of promotion after 1960 are partly a historical artifact and partly the result of inadequate retention of junior officers. Since 1970 a number of management actions have been taken to make this a more attractive service, which has resulted in a higher level of retention. Some officers obviously think that the retention rate is too high because promotions are coming at a decelerating rate.

Several factors should be remembered. We still promote faster than the other services, and the opportunity (%) for promotion to all grades is higher than the other services. The human problem is very understandable. Pay is depressed at this time, particularly in the lower grade. Promotion represents a number of things, and increased pay is included. The solution to inadequate pay rates should not be accelerated promotion but a general rise in pay. This appears highly likely considering that very serious retention problems of the other services.

In the future, should real stagnation really occur, as existed before 1948, there are adequate remedies in our legislation and regulations. This is distinctly not the case at this time.

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# **NOAA CORPS**

# **LOCATION ROSTER**

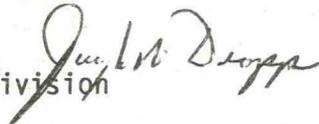
OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

JUNE 1980

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TO: See Distribution List Below

FROM: Commander Joseph W. Dropp, NOAA  
Chief, Commissioned Personnel Division



SUBJECT: Location Roster of Commissioned Officers

Enclosed for your information is a copy of the Location Roster of Commissioned Officers maintained by my office on an IBM System 6. It is organized to follow the NOAA Organization Directory (Phone Book).

Lineal Number of each officer

Last name of officer

Location code (Phone book routing code for officers shore based)

NOTE: Officer training class numbers are shown in this column for junior officers at sea.

Date of Organizational Code Change as shown on official orders.

Scheduled Reporting Date as taken from approved assignment recommendations.

Duties - short abbreviation of position held.

Transfer Data - data and place of forthcoming assignment or notation on resignations and retirements.

<u>LN#</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>LOC.CD</u>	<u>DT</u>	<u>O.C.</u>	<u>CHNG</u>	<u>DUTIES</u>	<u>FUT/LstAsgn</u>	<u>SCHED.</u>	<u>RPT</u>
<u>OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR</u>									
100	HOPKINS	NACOA	80/05/01				OA/C73		
253	KRETSCH	ES	80/01/16				DA		
<u>Office of Congressional Affairs</u>									
101	GOEHLER	CA	79/01/01						
<u>Office of Public Affairs</u>									
45	NEWELL	PA14	79/03/01			PA,ERL			
<u>Office of NOAA Corps</u>									
0	NYGREN	NC	68/09/01			Director			
<u>Commissioned Personnel Division</u>									
53	DROPP	NC2	79/02/16			Acting Chief			
114	McGEE	NC1	79/01/01			AssgnCoord.			
263	RICE	NC1	78/01/01			RecCoord.			
319	BOWLES	NC1				RecCoord.	DI	81/06	
<u>Program Planning, Liaison &amp; Training Division</u>									
49	CARLEN	NC2	78/07/16			Ft. Sill			
53	DROPP	NC1	79/02/16			Chief			
61	WYZEWSKI	NC2	79/02/01			Liaison,Navy Oceanographer			
72	MOLYNEAUX	NC2	78/06/01			NAVOCEANO Bay St. Louis			
74	GERISH	NC2	80/01/01			FUT NPGS	FRx92		
77	NORTRUP	NC2	77/09/16			Inst.NPGS	PE	80/08	
116	BODNAR	NC2	79/12/16			U. Seattle			
119	MILLS	NC2	78/09/01			Inst.NPGS			
127	MEYERS	NC2	79/01/16			VNX8 Pax.			
128	SCHIRO	NC2				Texas A&M	FA	80/08	
133	WOOD	NC2	79/09/16			FUT U.OR			
151	PERMENTER	NC2				FUT	OMP	80/09	
159	WINTER	NC2	79/08/01			FUT NPGS			
197	PERRIN	NC2	78/09/01			FUT NPGS			
209	DREVES	NC2	78/09/01			FUT NPGS	DA	80/07	
261	NEWELL	NC2	79/09/16			FUT NPGS			
266	WHEATON	NC2	80/07/16			FUT NPGS	CPM3	80/08	
280	COX	NC2	79/12/16			Mather AFB			

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Officer Training Center

54	FORSTER	NC21	77/02/01			OIC	MC		81/01
252	PARSONS	NC21	77/04/01			TrngOff	NPGS		80/08
259	SAGALOW	NC21	80/03/16			TrngOff	C211		81/01
320	ZIGLEMAN	NC21					RE		
321.1	WILLS	NC21/67				K.P.			
337.1	HAYDEN	NC21					TDY Woods Hole		
381	BOGUE	NC21/67				K.P.			
382	BAILEY	NC21/67				K.P.			
383	OHLINGER	NC21/67				K.P.			
384	RIVERA	NC21/67				K.P.			
385	WRIGHT	NC21/67				K.P.			
386	BENGGIO	NC21/67				K.P.			
387	BROWN	NC21/67				K.P.			
388	WHITE	NC21/67				K.P.			
389	BILL	NC21/67				K.P.			
390	PETERS	NC21/67				K.P.			
391	RODRIGUEZ	NC21/67				K.P.			

OFFICE OF FISHERIES

305	STANGL	Fx5	79/09/01						
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Fisheries Development Division

Office of Marine Mammals & Endangered Species

268	BARONE	F/CM3	77/08/01						
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Northwest Alaska Fisheries Center

166	GORES	F/NWC5	78/08/16						
192	McCONAGHY	F/NWC5	79/09/16						
274	CONSIGLIERI	F/NWC3	78/07/01						
278	CONRAD	F/NWC3	79/01/01						
294	BLACKWELL	F/NWC	79/06/16						
295	DeBOW	F/NWCF11	79/05/16						
300	KING	F/NWC5	78/12/16						
318	EDWARDS	F/NWC1	80/06/01				SU		80/06

Southeast Fisheries Center

241	BUNN	F/SEC3	78/09/16			Pascagoula			
246	SCOTT	F/SEC6	77/10/16			Galveston			Res 80/08
309	PRINGLE	F/SEC	79/11/01			Miami			

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Northeast Fisheries Center

99	BERMAN	F/NEC5	79/09/01	Oxford MD					
115	SMOLOWITZ	F/NEC	77/07/16	Woods Hole					
187	MEYER	F/NEC1	77/05/16	Woods Hole					
265	GROSS	F/NEC1	78/03/16	Woods Hole					
285	MOAKLEY	F/NEC6	79/01/01	Gloucester					
286	SUTTON	F/NEC1	78/10/01	Woods Hole					

Southwest Fisheries Center

112	HEWITT	F/SWC	79/11/16	LaJolla					
140	NELSON	F/SWC4	80/08/16	Monterey		TC		80/06	
153	PERRYMAN	F/SWC1	75/12/16	LaJolla					
239	SULLIVAN	F/SWC1	77/07/16	LaJolla					
264	RUTTEN	F/SWC3	78/05/01	Tiburon					
269	JEMISON	F/SWC2	78/07/16	Honolulu					

OFFICE OF COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT

Sanctuary Programs Office

93	CHILDRESS	CZ/SP	77/11/16					Res 80/07	
123	TURNBULL	CZ/RC	79/06/01	Seattle					
251	JAMESON	CZ/SP	79/01/16						

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Office of Management & Computer Systems

46	ALLBRITTON	MB/MCS	80/01/16			RF28		80/01	
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Northwest Administrative Services Office

297	MATTA	MB/NW	80/01/16	Sand Point					
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OFFICE OF RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

Programs & Technology

27	ALDERMAN	RD12	77/11/16						
109	HUNT	RD	79/04/01	IGOSS Paris					

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World Weather Program Office

Office of Marine Pollution Assessment

3	BARBEE	RD	80/06/01			Rockville			
32	SWANSON	RD/MP	78/12/01			Director			
91	KAWKA	RD/RFx51	80/04/16			Stoney Brook	F/UDI		
151	PERMENTER	RD/MP	80/01/01			Seattle	NC2	80/09	
152	MEYER	RD	80/07/01			Rockville	FE		
162	KISSAM	RD/RFx53	80/02/16			Seattle	MC		
258	KIRCH	RD	80/01/16			Seattle	MF		

Office of the Director Environmental Research Laboratory

135	PENRY	RD/Rx3	79/12/01						
314	DEMUTH	RD/R	80/04/01				DI		

Outer Continental Shelf Environmental Assessment Program

10	JEFFERS	RD/Rx4	77/07/01						
171	MURPHY	RD/Rx4	75/01/01			Sand Point			
212	OTTO	RD/Rx4	77/12/01						
302	HAAS	RD/Rx4	79/11/01						
350	McFEE	RD/RF3293	80/05/16			Boulder	RE		

Juneau Project Office

198	CAVA	RD/Rx41	76/07/16						
207	ALBERTSON	RD/Rx41					CPM1	80/06	

MESA N.Y. Bight Project

249	MILLETT	RD/RFx51	77/08/01			StonyBrook			
262	GOODRICH	RD/RFx51	77/12/16						

MESA Puget Sound Project

81	LYONS	RD/RFx53	78/10/01				FA	80/07	
104	ROUSH	RD/RFx53	78/01/16						
125	KEISTER	RD/RFx53	79/08/01						
144	WESCOTT	RD/RFx53	79/01/01			Anchorage			

Research Facilities Center

35	MORAN	RD/RF61	74/10/16			Pilot			
65	NOBLE	RD/RF61	77/04/16			Pilot			
73	MANDELKERN	RD/RF61	80/03/16			Pilot	C34		

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<u>Research Facilities Center</u>								
80	GENZLINGER	RD/RF61	78/01/16			Pilot		
136	ADAMS	RD/RF61	77/01/01			Navigator		
156	BARNHILL	RD/RF61	79/09/16			Navigator		
173	BERGNER	RD/RF61	76/05/01			Navigator		
180	NELSON	RD/RF61	78/05/16			Pilot		
193	CHRISTMAN	RD/RF61	78/05/16			Pilot		
213	HARRIGAN	RD/RF61	77/08/16			Helopilot		
247	VAN DEN BERG	RD/RF61	79/05/21			Helopilot		

Atlantic Oceanographic & Meteorological Laboratories

Ocean Chemistry Laboratory

243	TOKAR	RD/RF202	77/11/01					
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Marine Geology & Geophysical Laboratory

86	STUBBLEFIELD	RD/RF203	79/06/01					
141	MANZO	RD/RF203	79/07/16			Deputy		
169	SEGUR	RD/RF203	79/12/16			Liaison	CPM	
245	MANN	RD/RF203	77/01/01				WH	80/04
298	FOX	RD/RF203	79/03/06					
310	HILLARD	RD/RF203	70/09/01					

Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory

327	VAN ETEN	RF28					DI	10/80
67	STEFFIN	RD/RF28	77/06/01					
132	LOUNSBERY	RD/RF28	78/08/16					
165	HARMAN	RD/RF28	80/01/01				SG	
210	WITHROW	RD/RF28	78/01/16			DSPG		
211	LARGERLOEF	RD/RF28	78/07/16					
236	POOLE	RD/RF28x4	77/05/01			JIMAR		
250	GARDNER	RD/RF28	79/01/16					
257	PEARSON	RD/RF28	78/02/16			DSPG		
272	LUDWIG	RD/RF28	78/07/01					

Air Resources Laboratory

240	OSBORN	RD/R32	77/06/16			Boulder		
283	BORTNIAK	RD/R32	77/07/16			Boulder		
284	HISCOX	RD/R32	78/12/16			Antarctica		

Space Environmental Laboratory

108	THOMAS	RD/R43	78/01/16				CAM11	80/01
231	O'CLOCK	RD/R43	78/03/01			Australia		

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<u>Space Environmental Laboratory</u>								
254	DOGGETT	RD/R43	77/10/16			Australia		
281	TULLIS	RD/R43	78/12/01					
<u>Wave Propagation Laboratory</u>								
174	KOTT	RD/R45	76/08/01					Res 80/08
219	RAMM	RD/R45	76/08/01					
<u>Office of Sea Grant</u>								
<u>Office of Ocean Engineering</u>								
24	UMBACH	RD/OEx4	78/12/01			P&P		
<u>Data Buoy Office</u>								
121	JONES	RD/OE1	79/05/01			NSTL MS		
<u>Manned Undersea Science &amp; Technology</u>								
244	CLARK	RD/OE3	79/02/01					
273	RAMSEY	RD/OE3	77/12/16					
<u>OFFICE OF OCEANIC &amp; ATMOSPHERIC SERVICES</u>								
<u>Office of the Assistant Administrator</u>								
<u>Map, Chart &amp; Geodetic Services Division</u>								
38	PETERSEN	OA23	79/07/16			Chief		
<u>National Weather Service</u>								
47	DeRYCKE	OA/W161	76/08/01			OcenoSvc		
94	LILLY	WSFO	79/11/16			Seattle		
178	STROBLE	WSFO	77/07/01			SanFran	SU	80/07
181	YANAWAY	WSFO	80/03/01			Seattle	FA	
291	DAUGHERTY	WFP	79/01/16			Honolulu		
301	KOEHN	WSFO	79/12/16			Seattle		
<u>National Ocean Survey</u>								
00	LIPPOLD	DA/C	79/08/01			Director		
23	MIDGLEY	OA/C	80/05/01					
33	COLLINS	OA/C	79/12/01			Coastal Hazards		
40	HAYES	OA/Cx2	80/01/01			Spec. Ass't		
43	GANSE	OA/Cx4	80/07/01			Coast Hazards	OA/D62	

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National Geodetic Survey

1	PHILLIPS	OAC1	79/01/16			Director		Ret 80/08
11	MILLER	OA/C1	78/12/01			Columbia SC		
28	BOSSLER	OA/C1x1	72/11/16			Deputy		
122	LAPINE	OA/C1	78/08/16			OpsBr		
124	ARNOLD	OA/C17	78/01/16					
276	GREENAWALT	OA/C17	78/11/16					
315	SMITH	OA/C17	80/04/01				TC	

Mobile Field Duty

161	FLOYD	OA/C132	76/09/16				FE	80/06
227	SCHOMAKER	OA/C171	77/12/16			G19		
235	LEIGH	OA/C171	77/12/16			G19		

Associate Director, Oceanography

13	HULL	OA/C2	79/01/16			AssocDir		
129	SCHNEBELE	OA/C2	79/10/01					

Marine Environmental Services Division

39	LAND	OA/C21	79/03/16			Chief		
149	TRACY	OA/C21	80/01/16			Opns	Oc	
259	SAGALOW	OA/C211	79/01/16				NC21	80/03

Ocean Dumping & Monitoring Division

105	SELLERS	OA/C2X7	79/01/16					Detail to MB/AO
204	SIMPSON	OA/C2X7	79/01/16					

Tides & Water Levels Division

103	SPILLMAN	OA/C231	79/10/01			ChReqBr		
148	STANLEY	OA/C2311	79/10/01			ProjDevSec	MC	80/08

Associate Director, Marine Surveys & Maps

4	LANIER	OA/C3	79/10/01			Director		
26	YEAGER	OA/C3x1	75/12/01			Deputy		
36	FLORWICK	OA/C3x2	79/07/01			Prog&Req		
60	VANDERMEULEN	OA/C3x4	79/07/01					
202	SARB	OA/C3	10/16/79					

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<u>Marine Data Systems Project</u>								
20	MOSES	OA/C31	79/01/16			Chief		
134	BASS	OA/C31	79/01/16					
157	DOLAN	OA/C31	79/11/16				OC	80/08
307	ROBERTS	OA/C31	79/07/16					
<u>Nautical Chart Division</u>								
9	POSEY	OA/C32	79/06/15			Chief		
57	BROWN	OA/C32	76/10/01					
145	NORRIS	OA/C32	79/08/16					
267	VARNEY	OA/C324	77/06/01			CoastPilot		
<u>Photogrammetry Division</u>								
59	SIMMONS	C34	79/01/16			Ops/Pilot		
110	MULLER	C3411	78/03/01			Pilot		
142	WEHLING	C3411	79/11/01			Pilot		
154	EILERS	C34	79/01/16			Pilot		
184	LAYDON	C3411	78/12/16			Pilot		
234	BRADLEY	C34	79/07/16			Flt Trng		
<u>Hydrographic Surveys Division</u>								
69	SCHAEFER	OA/C35	79/09/01			Chief		
111	SULOFF	OA/C351	79/01/16			ReqBr		
113	RICHARDS	OA/C351	80/06/16			ReqBr	UK(06-12/80)	
221	IWAMOTO	OA/C351	11/01/79			ReqBr		
<u>Associate Director, Aeronautical Charting &amp; Cartography</u>								
22	SANDQUIST	OA/C4x1	77/09			Deputy		
107	FLIOR	OA/C4x43	78/06/16			Chief, Product Eva&DevelGrp		
<u>Aeronautical Chart Division</u>								
190	VOSE	OA/C42	79/10/16			FltTrng		
216	TENNESEN	OA/C42	76/11/01					
233	PHILIPPSBORN	OA/C42	79/03/01			FltEdit		
256	VADNAIS	OA/C42	78/03/01					
304	FINKE	OA/C42	79/10/01			FltTrng		

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Associate Director, Marine Technology

6	McCAFFREY	OA/C6	75/09/01			Deputy		
176	JOHNSON	OA/C61	76/12/16			EDL	KE	80/06
296	RULON	OA/C611	79/06/01			SDB		

Office of Fleet Operations

5	MUNSON	OA/C7	79/09/01			AssocDir		
8	TAGGART	OA/C7x1	79/01/01			AssocDir		
37	BRADLY	OA/C7x4	79/09/01			FltInspOff		
52	ANDREASEN	OA/C7x6	78/01/16			LaborRel& ProgDevelop		
82	WILSON	OA/C7	80/01/01				RE	
92	SMART	OA/C7x7	80/02/01			Diving	AFSC	

Operations Division

64	SMITH	OA/C71	77/12/16			Chief		
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Marine Engineering Division

21	GRUNWELL	OA/C72	79/07/01			Chief		
260	HOWARD	OA/C72	79/08/16					

Electronic Engineering Division

Atlantic Marine Center

7	HOULDER	OA/CAM	79/09/01			Director		
12	BUFFINGTON	OA/CAMx0	77/06/01			Deputy		
76	DECOSTE	OA/CAMx1	80/01/16			SE MarSupFac Miami	RF20x3	
138	RUSZALA	OA/CAM	79/02/01			DivCoord	PE	80/06
200	WILLISCROFT	OA/CAM	79/10/16			DivCoord		
217	MARRINER	OA/CAM	79/10/16			FishAug		
229	HAUGHT	OA/CAMx2	79/07/16			FishAug		
279	HENDERSON	OA/CAM	78/08/01			Woods Hole SpecAsst/ Recruit.		
308	McDOUGAL	OA/CAMx2	79/11/16			AssocPort Capt Woods Hole		

Operations Division

68	FISHER	OA/CAM1	79/01/01			Chief		
139	YEAGER	OA/CAM1	79/07/01			FldProceed		

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<u>Hydrographic Survey Branch</u>								
97	BRYSON	OA/CAM11	79/02/01			Indoc MM		80/09
137	KOLESAR	OA/CAM11	77/09/16					
143	JAMERSON	OA/CAM11	5/16/80			Chief	PE	
168	ARMSTRONG	CAM11	79/06/01					
218	WALTZ	OA/CAM11	78/08/16					
226	LOSLEBEN	OA/CAM11					RD/43	Res 80/06
303	PERUGINI	OA/CAM11	79/09/01					
<u>Processing Division</u>								
58	KIENINGER	OA/CAM3	80/05/01			Chief	WH	
242	KENNY	OA/CAM3	77/06/01					
<u>Marine Engineering Division</u>								
62	WALTER	CAM4	79/12/01			Chief		79/12
183	RUSSEL	CAM4	79/08/01					
<u>Coastal Mapping Division</u>								
71	MATSUSHIGE	OA/CAM5	78/05/01			Chief		
130	ETHRIDGE	OA/CAM5	79/09/16					
270	MINKEL	OA/CAM5	78/07/01					
277	NOVARO	OA/CAM5	79/06/16			Tides SC		
299	MANDZI	OA/CAM5	79/03/01					
306	McCANN	OA/CAM5	80/06/01				PE	
313	DaSILVA	OA/CAM5	80/05/16				PE	80/M
316	GREENE	CAM5	80/01/01				PE	
<u>RESEARCHER (RE)</u>								
18	NEWSOM		79/04/01			CO		
55	REINKE		79/10/16			XO	AMC	
158	ARNOLD		79/06/16					
317	KUZMAK		77/12/16					
320	ZIGLEMAN	65	78/06/01				CAM5 KP/OTC	Res 80/12
335	MALLETTE		78/10/01					
368	GILLERY	65	79/10/01					
371	WHITE	66	79/12/16					
377	CELONE	66	79/12/16					

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<u>MT MITCHELL (MI)</u>								
34	TRAUSCHKE		80/04/01		CO		OA/OAM3	
88	PFEIFER		78/08/16		XO			
150	JONES		79/01/01		FOO			
287	WILDER	56	78/03/01				OA/S137	80/06
322	SHEPARD	61	78/07/01					
345	LONG	63	78/12/16					
346	DUTTON	63	78/12/16					Res 80/08
365	MOZGALA	65	79/10/01					
376	ZABITCHUCK	66	79/12/16					
379	WILLIAMS	66	79/12/16					
<u>WHITTING (WH)</u>								
78	ROSSI		80/05/01		CO		OA/C32	
118	PRAHL		79/07/16		XO			
196	MASON		80/01/01		FOO		MM	
245	MANN		80/04/16				RD/RF203	
<u>WHITTING (WH)</u>								
329	DIAZ	61	78/07/01					
343	GARDNER	63	78/12/16					
358	BLAND	64	79/06/16					
<u>ALBATROSS IV</u>								
44	FLEMING	AL IV	80/01/01		CO		OA/CAMx2	
189	PAWLOWSKI		80/01/01		XO		KE	
<u>PIERCE (PE)</u>								
75	NORTH		79/02/01		CO		C7	80/05
77	NORTRUP						NC2	80/08
138	RUSZALA				XO		OA/CAM	80/06
208	FIELDS		79/12/01		FOO		FOO	
255	DEWHURST		80/04/01				CAM5	
292	SIMONEAUX	65	79/10/01					
324	RODSTEIN	61	78/07/01					
131	MACFARLAND	CPM130	78/07/01		OpsSpec			
<u>FERREL (FE)</u>								
70	CALLAHAN		79/04/01		CO			
152	MEYER		77/12/16		XO		RD	80/07
161	FLOYD		80/06/01		XO		C132	80/06

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<u>FERREL (FE)</u>							
199	KUHL				80/01/01 FOO		
326	HERLIHY	61			78/07/01		
339	MAXSON	63			78/12/16		
<u>RUDE &amp; HECK (R-H)</u>							
87	GRUNTHAL				78/01/16 CO		
95	MOODY				79/07/16 XO		
203	PETERSON				79/05/01		
328	CONNORS	61			78/07/01		
<u>GEORGE B. KELEZ (KE)</u>							
90	TIGNOR				78/04/16 CO		
98	DUERNBERGER				79/07/01 XO	CO	80/06
176	JOHNSON				80/06/01 XO		80/06
238	LILLESTOLEN				80/01/16 FOO	CZ3	80/01
340	PETRAE	63			78/12/16		
355	HOLLOMAN	64			79/06/16		
<u>Pacific Marine Center</u>							
2	TAYLOR	CPM			76/07/11 Director		Ret 80/06
17	TOWNSEND	CPMx1			76/07/16 Deputy		
29	SPEER	CPMx5			77/08/01 FishAugCoord		
66	GELB	CPM			79/12/16 Director's Stf		
214	BAXTER	CPMx3			77/10/01 SpecAsst/Rec.		
319	BOWLES	CPMx3			80/06/16 Spec.Asst.Rec.		80/06
<u>Operations Division</u>							
41	CRAWFORD	CPM1			78/09/01 Chief		
42	JEFFRIES	CPM1			Chief		81/01
63	WINTERMYRE	CPM1			78/11/16		
201	JACKSON	CPM1			79/07/16		
207	ALBERTSON	CPM1			78/07/01 FishAug	RD/Rx41	80/06
228	KIMBALL	CPM1			78/11/01 FishAug		
<u>Processing Division</u>							
50	CARPENTER	CPM3			79/03/01 Chief		
160	WERT	CPM3			77/12/16	T.C.	80/06
167	CHELGREN	CPM3			79/11/16	PE	
266	WHEATON	CPM3			77/10/01	NPGS	80/08

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<u>Electronic Engineering Division</u>									
89	SOWERS	CPM6		77/07/01			Chief		
<u>Pacific Tides Party</u>									
215	ANDREEN	CPM131		79/10/16			Chief		
223	DEARBAUGH	CPM131		79/06/01					
289	MOLCHAN	CPM131		78/01/16					
<u>Anchorage Alaska Liaison</u>									
179	SNELLA	CPMx4		77/12/16				MC	81/01
<u>Pacific Hydrographic Party</u>									
164	TAYLOR	OA/CPM134		79/06/16					
311	SMITH	OA/CPM134		79/06/16					
<u>DISCOVERER (DI)</u>									
327	VAN ETTEN	61						PMEL	10/08
25	NIXON			79/01/01			CO		
85	BUSH			79/08/01			XO		
155	KAISER			78/05/16					
174	KOTT							R45	Res 80/08
319	BOWLES	60		77/12/16				CPM	80/06
347	BEHN	63		78/12/16					
352	BURK	61		78/07/01					
366	JERABEK	65		79/10/01					
<u>OCEANOGRAPHER (OC)</u>									
19	SALADIN			79/07/16			CO		
56	JOHNSON			79/07/16			XO		
120	PEPE			79/09/16			FOO		
157	DOLAN							OC	80/08
224	PARSONS			79/07/16					
230	PARDO			80/01/16				MF	
271	LATIMER			80/01/01			CPM1	OC	
282	McGOUGH			80/01/01				CPM137	
359	CARLSON	64		79/06/16					
362	MOEN	65		79/10/01					
374	MARLER	66		79/12/16					

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SURVEYOR (SU)

31	WILLIAMS		79/06/01			CO		
51	PICKENS		78/11/16			XO		
175	SEYMOUR		79/04/16					
178	STROBLE		80/08/01				WSFO	
186	SIGRIST		79/05/01					
318	EDWARDS	60	77/12/16				F/NWC1	80/06
333	PLOTKIN	62	78/10/01					
370	FERGUSON	66	79/12/16					
378	GROFF	66	79/12/16					

FAIRWEATHER (FA)

30	PATRICK		79/05/01			CO		
81	LYONS		80/07/01			XO		RD/RFx53
128	SCHIRO		78/07/01			XO	FUT NC2	80/08
146	PICKRELL		79/10/01			FOO		
194	HENNICK		79/08/01					
331	ROSS	62	78/10/01					
353	HANCOCK	64	79/06/16					
364	PEGNATO	65	79/10/01					
373	TRIMBLE	66	12/16/79					

RAINER (RA)

14	MOBLEY		79/02/16			CO		
84	ALBRIGHT		78/08/16			XO		
170	ANDERSON		79/01/01			FOO		
225	MORRIS		79/05/01					
232	CLARK		79/08/01					
288	McCLUSKEY		79/04/01					
293	TALBOTT	63	78/12/16					
356	KRUTH	64	79/06/16					
375	GORDON	66	79/12/79					

MILLER FREEMAN (M.F.)

79	ATWELL		79/10/16			CO		
147	ARBUSTO		79/10/16			XO		
177	MERCER		78/08/01			FOO		
321	CLARY	61	78/07/01					
357	STIRRUP	64	79/06/16					
367	HERKELRATH	65	79/10/01					
380	LESLIE	66	80/01/16			D1		

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DAVIDSON (DA)

48	AUSTIN		79/12/01		CO		
117	SEIDEL		79/10/01		XO		
205	CAVIN		79/10/16				
209	DREVES						80/07
323	PEASLEY	61	78/07/01				
361	ACTOR	65	79/10/01				
372	KONRAD	66	79/12/16				

MCARTHUR (MC)

42	JEFFRIES		79/08/01		CO		
54	FORSTER				CO	NC21	81/01
102	MULHERN		78/12/16		XO		
148	STANLEY		80/07/01		XO	OA/C2311	80/08
172	LAWRENCE		80/02/01		FOO		80/02
179	SNELLA					OA/CPMx4	81/02
282	MCGOUGH						81/01
338	SECRETAN	63	79/01/01				
360	KUMMERLOWE	65	79/10/01				

TOWNSEND CROMWELL (T.C.)

83	STACHELHAUS		79/12/01		CO		
140	NELSON		77/08/16		XO	F/SWC4	80/06
160	WERT				XO	CPM3	80/06
248	SMEHIL		80/03/16			RD/RF202	
354	BULMER	64	79/06/16				

CHAPMAN (CH)

96	TAGUCHI		80/02/16		CO	F11	
182	HOLDEN		80/04/16		XO	CAM4	
220	BRETSCHNEIDER		80/03/01			F/SWC4	

ENVIRONMENTAL DATA & INFORMATION SERVICE

Center for Environmental Assessment Services

Marine Environmental Assessment Division

15	BURROUGHS	OA/D23	75/12/01				
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National Geophysical & Solar Terrestrial Data Center

Solid Earth Geophysics Division

43	GANSE	OA/D62	77/07/16	EHB			C	
188	NELSON	OA/D62	77/07/01	EHB				Res 80/07
275	CROWELL	OA/D621	78/10/16	MG&GB				

Data Studies Division

106	THERBERGE	OA/D64	79/04/01					
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National Oceanographic Data Center

Special Projects Division

Project Monitoring Branch

National Environmental Satellite Service

Office of Research

Environmental Sciences Group

195	BERG	OA/S33	78/02/01	EnvirSciGrp				
287	WILDER	OA/S137		Coral Gables			80/06	



# NOAA CORPS LOCATION ROSTER

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

The NOAA Corps study initiated in December 1979 has been proceeding in an orderly way; however, it has been necessary to delay its submission. A number of decisions regarding senior Corps officers have been deferred pending completion of the Task Force deliberations. As soon as the Administrator receives the study and acts on its recommendations, backlogged reassignments will be made. I anticipate that this will cause a minimum of disruption to the people involved.

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Captain John O. Phillips received a Letter of Commendation from R. Adm. Harley D. Nygren, Director, NOAA Corps, for completion, upon his retirement, of an unprecedented tour of duty as Chairman of the NOAA Corps Officer Personnel Board. He was most recently appointed to the Board in August of 1969 and has served as its Chairman since that date. He has been involved in recommending for selection almost 70% of the individuals now in the Corps. He was commended for his contributions to the Board he chaired with skill and statesmanship.

Captain Charles K. Townsend received a Sustained Superior Performance Award and Cash Award from R. Adm. E. A. Taylor, Director, Pacific Marine Center, for the outstanding manner in which he conducted himself and accomplished his duties as Deputy Director, PMC.

Commander Edward M. Gelb received a Special Act or Service Award and Cash Award from R. Adm. E. A. Taylor, Director, Pacific Marine Center, for his activities and accomplishments during his trip to the Philippines, Peoples Republic of China, and Japan to assist with the logistic requirements of the NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER. These activities revealed the highest overall excellence of performance.

Commanding Officer John T. Atwell, Officers and Crew of the NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN were commended by Capt. E. Nelson, Jr., District Commander (Acting), Seventeenth Coast Guard District, Juneau, AK, for the timely assistance to the distressed tug, MEOGA and its barge. Their performance in this perilous situation has been credited with saving several lives, the tug, and tow. This response was in the best tradition of the maritime services.

Commander Ted Wyzewski was commended by Rear Adm. Ross N. Williams, U.S. Navy, for his superb performance for Navy, particularly in interagency matters related to the management of the national oceanic research fleet. His leadership, motivation, and initiative have produced significant improvements in our Ocean Management Information system, intra- and interagency coordination, and international cooperation.

Commander John C. Albright received a Sustained Superior Performance and Cash award from Captain Wayne L. Mobley, for his outstanding managerial abilities and his accomplishments while assigned to the NOAA Ship RAINIER.

Lt. Cdr. Michael F. Kolesar was one of the recipients of a Group Cash Award and Certificate of Recognition for his sustained superior performance in accomplishing nearly 6,600 lineal miles of hydrography during 1979.

Lt. Dennis J. Sigrist received a Sustained Superior Performance Cash Award from Capt. Bruce I. Williams, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR, for his interest, energy, and the professional manner in which he approached his responsibilities.

Lt. Edward M. Clark was commended by Michael A. Heeb, PH. D., Senior Scientist, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The NOAA Diving Office provided Dive Master & Operational Diver Training Certification for scientists of the Environmental Protection Agencies' Research Laboratory at Gulf Breeze, FL. As course director, Lt. Clark deserved a special meritorious commendation for his outstanding leadership and professional competence throughout the program.

Lt. John A. Withrow received a Certificate of Recognition for his outstanding performance of duties in his operations assignments. His organizational ability and thorough understanding of scientific and technological objectives have earned him praise from his colleagues.

Lt. (jg) Teresa C.E. Bowles received a Sustained Superior Performance Cash Award from R. Adm. E.A. Taylor, Director, PMC, for her willingness to accept responsibility and carry out duties, her initiative in finding jobs that need doing and her availability to lend a helping hand to anyone who needs it.

Lt. Peterson and Lt. (jg) Connors received a letter from U.S. Coast Guard citing their professionalism and can-do-attitude in the field investigation of a collision between a tug and USCG buoy boat. In addition, Lt. (jg) Connors was commended on his conduct during the subsequent hearing.

#### ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - National Ocean Survey  
National Geodetic Survey  
Gravity, Astronomy, and Satellite Branch  
Rockville, Md.

Rank - Lt. - Lt. Cdr.

## Introduction

The National Geodetic Survey, Gravity, Astronomy and Satellite Branch, is responsible for the establishment and maintenance of a national gravity reference network designed to meet the combined requirements of a diverse community of users. Scientific investigations of the internal structure and dynamics of the Earth require the highest achievable measurements of the absolute value of gravity. The Air Force Geophysical Laboratories (AFGL) has developed an absolute gravity meter, based on the measurement of the acceleration of a body in free fall, that appears to be operating at the  $\approx 10 \mu\text{gal}$  level of uncertainty. The falling body, an optical retro-reflector, is one element of an interferometer, allowing the very accurate measurement of its displacement. The time intervals which the body takes to drop selected distances are measured with a resolution of approximately 20 picoseconds. While the system is highly automated, the proper setting-up, operating, and monitoring the functioning of the instrument requires a very knowledgeable and technically skilled operator.

## Duties

Receive training by AFGL scientists on all aspects of the construction, functioning, testing and maintenance of the gravity meter, and on the reduction and interpretation of the observation data.

Interact with other members of the Gravity Astronomy and Satellite Branch, and other elements of NGS, to develop an appropriate observational program.

Operate the gravity meter at selected sites, perform field reductions of the observational data, and work closely with office personnel to insure that the final gravity values are of the highest attainable quality.

Prepare reports, oral presentations, and technical papers concerning the instrument, the observational program, and the results, for presentation within NGS and at professional meetings.

## Requirements

Strong background in electronics, optical, and mechanical instrumentation, such as would be obtained from college programs of study in physics, optical sciences or electronic engineering.

Ability to work harmoniously with research and operationally oriented personnel at NGS, AFGL, and other Governmental and academic organizations, to maximize the quality and quantity of the absolute gravity measurements made with the instrument, and to disseminate the results to the user community.

## Supervision

The officer will be under the administrative supervision of the Chief, Operations Division, NGS. Scientific and technical supervision and advice will be obtained from the Chief, Gravity, Astronomy and Satellite Branch.

Contact: Dr. William Carter, Phone: 443-8171

There is a need to make frequent trips of varying duration. Possibility of being mobile for 3-4 months out of the year.

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Assignment Opening - National Ocean Survey  
Pacific Marine Center, Recruiter - Special Assistant  
to the Director, PMC  
Incumbent - Lt. (jg) Teresa C.E. Bowles - Up for reassignment  
by Mid '81  
Rank - Lt. - Lt. (jg)

### Introduction

This position is that of Special Assistant to the Director, Pacific Marine Center, and is "encumbered" by a Commissioned Officer, NOAA Corps. The principal duties and responsibilities involve the performance of a variety of administrative and advisory tasks to support the function of the Center Director, and are more specifically described below.

### Duties and Responsibilities

Administer the Pacific Marine Center Commissioned Officer recruiting function, including visits to colleges and universities; interview, advise, and process the necessary papers for applicants. Provide assistance to commissioned officers reporting to Pacific Marine Center by furnishing information relative to housing, schools, transportation, medical services, etc.; counseling pertaining to officer duty assignments and in the solution of personal or job related problems in connection with reassignment.

Provide a liaison service for contacts involving commissioned officers of Pacific Marine Center, the Director, PMC, and the Commissioned Personnel Division in Rockville, MD. Keep up to date and assure a flow of information on all topics of common interest to officer personnel.

Contact point for retired officers in obtaining identification cards for selves and dependents, personal records or documents, car stickers, and retirement benefits and privileges.

Research special problems and carry out special assignments as directed by Director, PMC. Provide advice and assistance to the Director, PMC, on all matters which incumbent feels affect the general efficiency of the Marine Center, including commissioned officers, operational and administrative matters.

### Supervision and Guidance Received

The Director, Pacific Marine Center, provides general guidance, but fully expects the incumbent to rely heavily on described duties and responsibilities.

### Contact

For further information please contact Teresa Bowles, FTS 399-7656.

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Assignment Opening - U. S. Navy  
Oceanographer of the Navy  
Naval Observatory  
Washington, D.C.

Rank - Cdr.

### Introduction

The Director, Naval Oceanography Division (OP-952)/Oceanographer of the Navy (hereafter referred to as the Oceanographer) is charged with the centralized guidance and direction and determination of requirements for Naval Oceanography (including oceanography, meteorology, mapping, charting, geodesy and chronometry). The Oceanographer acts for the Chief of Naval Operations in all Navy matters concerning Naval Oceanography, and coordinates research and development oceanographic matters with the office of the Secretary of the Navy, through the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research, Engineering and Systems). The Oceanographer controls all oceanographic activities in the Navy, and provides a central authority to ensure effective and integrated operation of Naval Oceanography.

The incumbent of this position is normally assigned for a three year tour in the Washington, D.C. Headquarters of the Oceanographer.

### Major Duties and Responsibilities

The incumbent is normally assigned to the office of International and Interagency Affairs Branch. The Branch Head is the principal interface between the Oceanographer of the Navy and U.S. civil Federal agencies in oceanographic activities germane to the Fleet and the goals of Naval Oceanography which includes ocean science, technology, engineering, oceanographic and hydrographic operations, and environmental prediction support to the Fleet in all Naval Warfare and Support areas and national security.

1. Assists in liaison with key federal and national councils, committees, and agencies relating to the Naval Oceanographic Program.
2. Provides staff support for intergovernmental oceanographic relations with foreign government according to formal intergovernmental bi-lateral and multi-national agreements.
3. Maintains a current, comprehensive knowledge of NOAA ship assets and their operations.
4. Reviews Navy activities and capabilities in hydrography to meet, principally, the requirements of the Defense Mapping Agency and international commitments.
5. Serves as the principal coordinator of the NAVY/NOAA/NSF oceanographic research fleet management working group.
6. Serves as the principal point of contact to the University Oceanographic Laboratory System (UNOLS) for the Oceanographer.
7. Provides staff support to the federal Fleet Coordinating Council.

8. Maintains appropriate NAVY/NOAA agreement background files, including Memoranda of Understanding, and other germane formal agreements.

9. Assists in the development and coordination of plans for international and interagency oceanographic activities.

10. Coordinates the readiness status of the NAVY/NOAA war-time mobilization plan and agreement.

11. Advises on joint training and education programs.

12. Serves on working groups that require specific knowledge and experience.

13. Assists in the preparation of National level reports, schedules, and catalogs as required.

14. Serves as the representative of the Branch Head or the Oceanographer at technical, scientific, or management meetings when appropriate.

15. Coordinates the acquisition, bailment, and disposition of oceanographic vessels in concert with appropriate Navy authorities; including the Chief of Naval Research, the Commander Naval Oceanography Command, and within the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations. In special instances coordination with the General Services Administration and the Agency for International Development is required.

#### Controls Over The Position

The incumbent works under general guidance provided by the Head, International and Interagency Affairs Branch. His assignment covers the broad range of ocean affairs associated with international and interagency oceanographic research, development, and operational matters. Specific assignments are not normally made, the incumbent being given the latitude to carry out his overall assignment in a manner that he determines to be of the greatest benefit to Naval Oceanography and the U. S. Navy. Specific goals will be established annually and performance appraisals will be made on the basis of achievement related to these goals.

He keeps the Branch Head informed on each of the assigned duties and responsibilities and provides counsel to him on important problems and matters of policy.

#### Qualification Requirements of the Position

The incumbent will be exposed to a spectrum of career enhancing experiences. The following qualifications are desirable:

1. An in-depth knowledge of all NOAA sea-going assets and NOAA fleet operations.
2. Field experience in hydrography or oceanography.
3. Experience or aptitude in engineering.
4. Prior military experience.
5. Senior LCDR or Junior CDR rank with SECRET clearance.

## Career Benefits

At the end of a three year tour with the Oceanographer of the Navy the NOAA Exchange Officer should be able to:

1. Function efficiently within the Navy organization and according to its established procedures.
2. Identify key international/interagency organizations involved in the Federal Oceanographic Program and international oceanographic activities.
3. Contribute to the management and long-range planning for major facilities, particularly ships, required for hydrographic and oceanographic field activities.
4. Advise on interagency ship use coordination and management in peace-time and in the event of war.
5. Advise on the status and trends in domestic and foreign ocean engineering.
6. Function effectively in activities requiring interagency and international interfacing.
7. Expedite formal communications within the Executive Department.
8. Utilize the Navy Ocean Management Information System and the Federal Oceanographic Information Center.
9. Define the responsibilities of the Oceanographer of the Navy in the areas of oceanography, meteorology, mapping, charting and geodesy, and chronometry.

For further information please contact Cdr. Joseph W. Dropp, FTS 443-8950.

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Assignment Opening - NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICER BILLET  
National Marine Fisheries Service  
Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center  
Foreign Fisheries Observer Program  
Seattle, Wa

Rank - Ens. - Lt.

## Introduction

This assignment is at the Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center in Seattle, WA. As the Foreign Fisheries Observer Training Officer in the Resource Ecology and Fisheries Management Division.

## Duties and Responsibilities

The assigned officer is responsible for hiring and training American fisheries biologists to be observers on foreign ships. Observers are trained in fisheries sampling techniques, functioning in a shipboard foreign culture, species identifica-

tion, observance of violations to fishery regulations, and collection of the necessary biological data. Typical observers are seniors or recent university graduates in Fisheries Biology. All observers are employed by the University of Washington or Oregon State University through a contract supplied by the U.S. government. Applications are accepted from graduates of any accredited college or university.

In addition, the officer must plan, order, issue and maintain the equipment sent with each observer. Approximately 120 observers are sent out each year for two month cruises aboard Japanese, Russian, Korean, Polish, Spanish, West German, and Taiwanese vessels. All ships are independent stern trawlers and longliners ranging in size from 350 to 8,000 gross tons. A number of observers are also placed on Japanese motherships which can reach up to 28,000 gross tons.

### Qualifications

Preferred qualifications include prior tour of duty aboard a NOAA vessel, skill in oral and verbal communication and an academic background in biology. Prior fisheries experience and Ichthyology knowledge is desirable but not a requirement.

### Career Benefits

This billet is intended as a career development step for a fisheries-oriented officer. Additional benefits include experience in public speaking, procurement of equipment, and personnel relations.

### Sea Duty

At the officer's option, one or two month cruises as an observer on board a foreign vessel can be arranged and is encouraged.

### Contact

For further information call Lt. (jg) Sam De Bow, FTS 399-4990

### FULL-TIME/LONG-TERM TRAINING - FY 82

Place: Various Selected Universities

Description: An Academic year of job or career related study at a university meeting the needs of the organization and the individual. The Full-Time/Long-Term Program usually provides training for a period of 8 - 12 months (one academic year of continuous study) in a non-Government facility, generally a college or university. Although the term system may vary--semester, trimester, quarter--all courses must be completed within one calendar year of date training is to begin. Extensions or reductions of training time must be requested in advance through the same channels that were used in requesting the original Full-Time/Long-Term assignment.

The training requires the execution of form CD-67, Agreement for Employees Assigned to Training Through Non-Government Facilities, an obligation for a period of Federal service equivalent to three times the amount of training time.

Costs: Tuition, fees, books, supplies, travel, per diem, and salary are provided at government expense, subject to NOAA policies.

Selection Criteria: The selection of officers to receive long-term training assignments will be based on the following factors:

1. The relevancy of the training to current and projected assignments in terms of organizational requirements.
2. The relevancy of the training to identified individual developmental needs.
3. Evidence of the candidate's ability and desire to successfully undertake and complete a comprehensive long-term training program.
4. The candidate's commitment to NOAA and to the Federal Service.
5. Basic merit principles providing equal opportunity to all eligible employees.

Restrictions: The selection and assignment of an officer for training through non-government facility, or the payment or reimbursement of the costs of training, is prohibited solely for the purpose of providing an opportunity to an employee to obtain one or more academic degrees.

Justification: The benefits to the Agency of Full-Time/Long-Term training on the part of the employee must be clearly stated. A great effort should be made to involve institutions with substantial capability in the proposed field of study. Only applications with clear, strong justifications for Full-Time/Long-Term training and for the choice of a particular institution will be approved. Applications for training which indicate that the applicant is taking a minimum course load required by the institution to qualify for full-time student status will not in general be approved. Full-Time/Long-Term training for programs in policy analysis, administration or management study will be approved only if substantial justification is shown.

Further Information: Program Planning Liaison & Training Division, 443-8950

#### CHAMPUS NEWS

##### "Test Tube" Conception Not Covered by Champus

CHAMPUS benefits are not available for artificial (test tube) conception. The object of the procedure is to induce fertilization artificially outside the body or "in vitro" -- which literally translated means "in a glass container."

The need for the ruling arose when a clinic offering the "test tube baby" program opened in Norfolk, Virginia. Several military families in that area made inquiries concerning the availability of CHAMPUS benefits for the fertilization process.

Program officials emphasize, however, that regular CHAMPUS maternity benefits are available if a pregnancy should result.

Beneficiaries are also reminded that CHAMPUS benefits are not available for artificial insemination.

I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Capt. Ray E. Moses from NOAA, Marine Surveys and Maps to NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR as Commanding Officer (March 1981)

Capt. Raymond L. Speer from NOS, Pacific Marine Center to NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER as Commanding Officer (October 1980)

Lt. Cdr. Abram Y. Bryson, Jr., from NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to NOS, NOAA Ship ALBATROSS IV as Commanding Officer (October 1980)

Lt. Cdr. David B. MacFarland from NOS, Pacific Marine Center to NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON as Executive Officer (July 1981)

II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

COMMANDER

Nortrup, Donald E. from Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA to NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE as Commanding Officer.

Tignor, Clarence W., from NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ to NOS, Atlantic Marine Center as Assistant Operations Officer.

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

Flior, Arthur N. from NOS, Office of Aeronautical Charting and Cartography Requirements and Technical Staff to the Aeronautical Chart Division as Assistant Chief.

Schiro, Richard A. from NOS, NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER to Full-Time University Training, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX.

Meyer, Michael C. from NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL to Office of Marine Pollution Assessment, Rockville, MD.

LIEUTENANT

Seymour, Edward E., Jr. from NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR TO ERL, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory, Ocean Chemistry Division.

Mercer, Roger W. from NOS, NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN to NMFS, Northwest and Alaska Fisheries, Resource Assessment and Conservation Engineering Program (RACE).

Stroble, Garth W. from NWS, San Francisco Field Office to NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR.

Wheaton, Gerald E. from NOS, Pacific Marine Center to Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA

LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

Zigelman, Charles I. from NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER to NOAA Officer Training Center, Kings Point, NY.

Clary, John C., III from NOS, NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN to NMFS, Southeast Fisheries Center, Galveston Laboratory.

Diaz, Federico E. from NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING to NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Hydrographic Survey Branch.

III. PROMOTIONS

Francis D. Moran	CAPT	7/01/80
Clarence W. Tignor	CDR	7/01/80
Michael Kawka	CDR	7/01/80
Andrew A. Armstrong, III	LCDR	7/01/80
Gregory V. Segur	LCDR	7/01/80
Stanton M. Ramsey	LT	5/31/80
E. Scott Varney	LT	7/01/80
Charles E. Gross	LT	7/01/80
Richard R. Behn	LTJG	5/31/80
Cynthia McFee	LTJG	7/01/80
Lyman M. C. Burk, Jr.	LTJG	7/01/80

IV. APPOINTMENTS

Maryanne J. Batten	ENS	7/19/80	Fairleigh Dickinson U.	BS-Marine Biology
Freddie L. Collins	ENS	7/19/80	U. of South Carolina	BS-Marine Science
Miles M. Croom	LTJG	7/10/80	Duke University	BA-Zoology
			Oregon State U.	MS-Oceanography
Eric S. Davis	LT	7/16/80	U.S. Naval Academy	BS-Oceanography
Susan D. Dinkel	ENS	7/19/80	Florida Inst. of Tech.	BS-Chemical Ocean.
Perry N. Glickman	ENS	7/19/80	State U. of New York	BS-Earth/Space Sci.
			Florida Inst. of Tech.	MS-Oceanography
Robert D. Henegar	ENS	7/19/80	Old Dominion U.	BS-Elec. Engr. Tech.
Reginald D. Neal	ENS	6/30/80	Howard U.	BS-Zoology
Frederick W. Rossmann	ENS	7/18/80	U. of Pittsburgh	BS-Civil Engineering
Grady H. Tuell	ENS	7/19/80	U. of Georgia	BS-Geography
Jerome Williamson	ENS	7/18/80	Bowie State College	BS-Biology

V. RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS APPROVED

Retirements

None

Resignations

Ronald K. Dutton	LTJG	8/31/80
Ned J. Jerabek	ENS	9/15/80
Darryl J. Williams	ENS	10/10/80
James F. McGough, Jr.	LTJG	10/31/80
Michael F. Kolesar	LCDR	12/31/80

VI. RETIREMENTS

John O. Phillips	CAPT	8/01/80
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VII. RESIGNATIONS

John B. Nelson	LT	7/31/80
Reginald D. Neal	ENS	7/15/80

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO LINEAL LIST

Floyd Childress II                      LCDR  
Change in resignation date from 7/31/80 to 8/29/80.

IX. ON BOARD STRENGTH AS OF 1 AUGUST 1980 - 374



# NOAA CORPS BULLETIN

OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

The delay in the selection of a replacement for the Director, NOAA Corps, and the Director, Pacific Marine Center, has required that we impose a semi-moratorium on assignment changes for many Captains and senior Commanders. Those going to and from sea duty have not been greatly inconvenienced as yet; however, others have been extended beyond normal tours in shore jobs.

Senior officers, who understand the system, can determine quite well for themselves which jobs are now open or which are overdue for rotation. We wish to avoid unnecessary geographic moves and the resulting personal and financial trauma they involve.

When the NOAA Corps Task Force report has been approved, and when the Administrator nominates replacements for the two Admirals, a number of pending assignment changes will be made. We will do this in as orderly a manner as possible.

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Captain Gerald C. Saladin was commended by John D. Milliman, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, for his role as leader on the OCEANOGRAPHER's cruise from Shanghai to Shanghai and received particular praise for his efforts. They were able to accomplish all that was hoped for with minimum problems and maximum help from officers and crew.

The Officers and Crew of the OCEANOGRAPHER returned from its seven-month absence from Seattle on 28 July, replete with large red banners on her rails given while in the Peoples Republic of China. During the cruise, she carried out PMEL programs in FRONTS of Hawaii, two legs of EPOCS at 00, 110°W, an EPOCS equatorial transect to 160°E, an internal wave experiment in the Sulu Sea, the sediment dynamics experiment off the Yangtze River, and a Scripps program in optical measurements in support of the Nimbus-7 Coastal Zone Color Scanner. It was an outstanding performance by officers, crew, and scientific personnel, as evidenced by the following excerpts from post-cruise correspondence received:

Woods Hole scientists stated that they "were extremely impressed by the OCEANOGRAPHER, its crew, and officers."

"Highest praise is deserved by the Commanding Officer, the NOAA officers, dedicated crew, and visiting scientists--all of whom worked diligently to form the winning team..."

"The OCEANOGRAPHER is to be commended for its enviable and consistent safety record and upgrading of its safety instruction. The outcome is best judged by the minimal work-related hours lost."

Visiting and guest scientists have been extremely complimentary of the scientific results and free and full cooperation from the ship's command and crew.

Captain Charles A. Burroughs was commended by both Harry A. Jones, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Strategic Petroleum Reserve Resources Applications, Department of Energy, and Dr. Joan C. Hock, Director, Center for Environmental Assessment Services, NOAA. Captain Burroughs professional advice and recommendations materially contributed to the success in defeating a concurrent House Resolution, which would have caused substantial delay to the Strategic Petroleum Reserve's Phase II expansion program.

Lieutenant Robert J. Pawlowski, officers and crew of the GEORGE B. KELEZ received a Letter of Commendation from Dr. Gregory Han, AOML/Physical Oceanography Laboratory, for a job well done during the 1978 and 79 field years in the New York Bight. Lt. Pawlowski supervised the installation and maintenance of the equipment for over 25 moorings during those two years and is to be commended for his efforts.

Lieutenant Commander Bradford Meyers, NOAA, has been designated Aircraft Commander in RP3A/D model aircraft. He has demonstrated that he possesses the judgment, initiative, and flying ability to accomplish all in-flight tasks as well as the capability to command and train the officers and men of his flight crew. The responsibilities of this designation are broad in scope and performance.

#### ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - Environmental Research Laboratories, Research Flight Center (RFC)  
Flight Operations Group, Miami, Florida

Rank - Lt(jg) - Lt.  
Duration 5 years

#### Description

The assignment opening is for the position of navigator within RFC at Miami, Florida. The incumbent will serve as a navigator on pressurized, long-range multi-engine type aircraft performing missions in support of environmental research. This will require flight into extreme weather conditions such as hurricanes, squall lines, thunderstorms, snow storms, and other severe atmospheric disturbances. The incumbent will select the most practical routes and altitudes consistent with safety and economy by detailed analysis of weather forecasts, weather maps, and meteorological data. He will also prepare flight plans and accurately determine the aircraft position during flight. This will require the use of various navigation systems and methods including LORAN, OMEGA, inertial, radar, and celestial navigation.

## Supervision Received

The Operations Chief, RFC, provides supervision and guidance to the incumbent. During flight, the incumbent reports directly to the Aircraft Commander on all matters pertaining to aerial navigation.

## Special Conditions

The incumbent is required:

1. To continuously meet the physical requirements for an FAA Second Class Medical Certificate and to obtain such a certificate annually.
2. To travel when and where required for extended periods of time.
3. To engage in flights to penetrate severe storms and perform duties while so engaged.
4. To be available during periods of severe storm activity on a stand-by basis.

## Special Training

Navigators have been sent to the USAF Navigator Training Program at Mather AFB in California for training. This course is about six months in length and involves both classroom work and training under actual flight conditions.

Navigators currently stationed at RFC have been encouraged to obtain FAA pilot certificates and ratings. This allows them to fly as pilots on a TDY basis within the aviation programs of the NOS Offices of Marine Surveys and Maps (C3) and Aeronautical Charting and Cartography (C4).

Contact - Cdr. Joseph W. Dropp, Program Planning, Liaison, and Training Division, FTS(443-8950).

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Assignment Opening - Systems Evaluation Division, NOAA Data Buoy Office  
National Space Technology Laboratories  
NSTL Station, Mississippi 39592

Rank - Lt.(jg) - Lt.

## Introduction

The NOAA Data Buoy Office (NDBO) is a center for environmental data buoy technology. NDBO develops, deploys, and operates reliable unmanned automatic data buoys to acquire and transmit marine environmental information via the GOES satellite system. The principal user of the data is the National Weather Service (NWS). Scientific investigators employ the data for ground truth, validation of theoretical models, and climate monitoring studies.

## Duties

The officer will be assigned to the Systems Evaluation Division of NDBO and will assist one or more of the Division Program Managers. NDBO's programs are broad enough to allow the officer latitude to contribute in his or her own field of interest or expertise.

The officer's specific duties will include such tasks as applied research in Meteorology, air-sea interaction, and oceanography; analysis and evaluation of the quality of marine environmental data from NDBO buoys, and data processing operations efforts in support of the engineering, management, and operational requirements of all NDBO divisions. The opportunity to publish in various technical journals exists and doing so is encouraged.

The officer will work with a large number of NOAA civilian employees, U.S. Coast Guard personnel and contractor personnel. Initiative and the ability to work within a diverse organization are requirements of this position.

### Qualifications

A background in meteorology, oceanography, or computer science is required. Writing skills are necessary. This position is suited to an officer who has completed at least one tour of sea duty and would like to exercise initiative, participate in team efforts and interact with other individuals in NOAA, other government agencies, private industry and the academic community.

### Facilities

NDBO is located on the NASA National Space Technology Laboratories site near the Mississippi Gulf Coast midway between New Orleans, Louisiana and Gulfport, Mississippi. Numerous testing laboratories, shop and office facilities and computers are located on-site and available to NDBO. Other on-site agencies include NMFS, USGS, NORDA, NAVOCEANO, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Numerous college level courses are available on-site and in nearby communities. The Gulf Coast abounds with recreational opportunities such as sailing, scuba diving, hunting and fishing.

### Career Advantages

The officer will develop contacts in industry, government and academia; a better knowledge of NOAA and other government agencies will be developed. The officer will be exposed to the latest technology in meteorological and oceanographic areas and will gain experience in government contract procedures.

### Supervision

The officer will be supervised by an appropriate Program Manager in the Systems Evaluation Division. As the officer becomes familiar with NDBO's programs, he or she will assume a greater responsibility for the conduct of assigned duties.

For further information contact: Dr. Glenn D. Hamilton (FTS: 494-2836)

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Assignment Opening - NOAA Data Buoy Office, National Space Technology Laboratories  
NSTL Station, Mississippi 39529

Location - Seattle, WA

Rank - Lt(jg - Lt.

### Introduction

The NOAA Data Buoy Office (NDBO) is a center for environmental data buoy technology. NDBO develops and deploys reliable unmanned automatic data buoys to acquire, transmit and record marine environmental information. NDBO is conducting research and develop-

ment work in the areas of sensor technology, data acquisition systems, satellite telemetry systems, and platform design.

### Duties

The officer will act as NDBO's West Coast Representative and will be permanently stationed in Seattle, Washington. Specific duties will include acting as the Contracting Officer's Representative for buoy refurbishment contracts with West Coast shipyards; serve as NDBO's Liaison Officer with U.S. Coast Guard vessels and personnel deploying and recovering NDBO buoys on the West Coast; perform site inspections for the installation of automated weather stations at over forty planned sites on the West Coast and in the Hawaiian Islands, and assist with the installation of electronic data acquisition equipment on data buoys and coastal stations.

The officer will work with a large number of NOAA civilian employees, Coast Guard personnel and contractor personnel. Initiative and the ability to work within a diverse organization are requirements of this position. NDBO's programs are broad enough to allow the officer latitude to contribute in his or her own field of interest or expertise.

This is a new billet; the exact duties of the officer will depend on his or her specific abilities as well as NDBO's program needs.

### Qualifications

A background in Engineering or a related field is highly desirable. The officer should have experience with marine hardware and common shipyard practices. Experience as a functioning member of at least one Hull Board is necessary. Experience with electronics (such as being a ship's Electronics Officer) is desired. Writing skills are necessary. This position is suited to an officer who has completed at least one tour of sea duty and would like to exercise initiative, participate in team efforts and interact with other individuals in NOAA, other government agencies and private industry. The officer will act with little direct supervision and must be a "self-starter."

### Training

The officer will receive one to two months of on-the-job training at NDBO's facility at NSTL Station, Mississippi.

### Career Advantages

The officer will develop contacts in industry, government and academia; a better knowledge of NOAA and other government agencies will be developed. The officer will be exposed to the latest technology in meteorological and oceanographic areas and will gain experience in government contract procedures.

### Contact

For further information contact W. F. Collier (FTS 494-2372)

## UNIFORM REGULATIONS CHANGES

NOAA Corps officers are advised that the Khaki Golfer's Jacket currently authorized with Tropical and Working Khaki uniforms will no longer be worn, except aboard ship, after December 31, 1981. The Navy Blue Golfer's Jacket, currently prescribed as an option to the Khaki Jacket, will be the only Golfer's Jacket which may be worn off ship after that date.

The previous announcement changing the wearing location of name tags on women's uniforms along with the position of ribbons, is hereby modified to indicate that the proper location for the name tag on Service Dress Blue and Service Dress White is on the pocket flap. Ribbons will be worn above the flap as previously indicated.

## SCUBA PAY - UPDATE

Diving pay entitlements prior to August 1980 is still under discussion. When a decision is made on what was proper it will be announced in this publication.

## TRAVEL TIPS

It takes approximately two to two and one-half weeks for you to receive your travel advance after your request is received by NC. Only NC or NC2 can approve travel advances for Travel Orders written by this office. If you are going to need a travel advance it is your responsibility to see that it arrives here in time for approval and processing.

## COMMISSIONED OFFICER FITNESS REPORTS - (Memo from Admiral H. R. Lippold, Jr.)

The Director, NOAA Corps, has continuously voiced in the Corps Bulletin his concern about the quality of fitness reports. I am equally concerned about those fitness reports prepared on officers assigned to the National Ocean Survey. Most of the reports I have reviewed recently do not reflect an awareness by the rating officer of the various ways these reports are used.

First, fitness reports are the preeminent documentation for consideration of an individual for advancement and promotion in the Corps and for recognition under the NOAA awards system. They are the primary documentation the Officer Personnel Board utilizes in its annual review and were a major factor in the recent Flag Rank Panels' selections of final candidates. In this context, the report should indicate clearly the rated officer's relative ranking compared with his or her peers. In other words, the rating officer should evaluate the individual based on the rater's composite knowledge of officers with equivalent grade and experience. Furthermore, the mean of that composite should be the rater's bench mark. Finally, there should be a direct and unambiguous correlation between the numerical rating and the narrative.

A second use for fitness reports relates to the assignment process. The rating officer has the most current knowledge of the individual with which to evaluate potential for future assignments. If the individual would do well as a future executive officer, then it should be noted. Conversely, if another assignment with frequent supervision is needed, then that should be indicated. If research work is more appropriate than staff duties, it should be stated. I am not asking for all the possibilities, but some recommendation on an officer's future assignment potential is in order.

A third use is for the Director of the NOAA Corps to get an overview of the health and capability of the Corps. In my review of fitness reports, I have concluded

that the numerical mean of the reports is generally running in the mid-eighties as opposed to a mean of sixty indicated in the instructions. My general impression of the narratives is that they are usually lower and do not support the numerical rating, although the converse has been true at times. It may well be that the Corps as a whole is gradually improving in quality, but the end result in terms of the fitness system will be a meaningless evaluation. It is time to shift the datum. We all need to make a conscious effort to bring the grade creep under control, realign it with the narratives, and ensure that the narratives are complete, clear, and concise.

A final use for fitness reports is officer development. Most of us recognize that the process of officer development is an ongoing one, not one we undertake only once or twice a year at fitness report time. However, the development process, particularly for junior officers, is a subject I will deal with at a later time. I do want to discuss the fitness report's role in development. In this regard, anomalies in the numerical ratings are a key factor. If job ability is outstanding and the other factors are average, something is wrong and the planned corrective action should be indicated. If oral skills and human relations are low, then these should be discussed with the individual and a plan for corrective action agreed to and indicated in the report. It may be easier to use a draft report for the discussion, making appropriate additions and corrections for the final report.

In the summation, I expect to see a marked improvement in the quality of fitness reports between now and the end of the year. I ask that each of you convey my concern to the rating officers in your organization and to do whatever you feel is necessary to improve the situation.

#### CHAMPUS NEWS - New CHAMPUS Fiscal Intermediary for Indiana and Kentucky

Beginning September 15, 1980, CHAMPUS claims for care received in Indiana and Kentucky must be filed with Wisconsin Physicians Service which replaces Blue Cross of Southwestern Virginia as the CHAMPUS fiscal intermediary for Indiana and Kentucky.

Affected beneficiaries should begin submitting claims to the new fiscal intermediary after September 14, 1980, even for care and services received before that date. Claims for care received in Indiana should be sent to: Wisconsin Physicians Service, PO Box 8923, Madison, WI 53707. Claims for care received in Kentucky should be sent to: Wisconsin Physicians Service, PO Box 8912, Madison, WI 53707. Inquiries concerning Indiana and Kentucky claims submitted before September 15 should be sent to: Blue Cross of Southwestern Virginia, PO Box 13828, Roanoke, VA 24034.

#### DUAL COMPENSATION RESTRICTION

Effective September 1, 1980, the amount of retired pay which is exempt from the compensation restriction is increased to \$5,746.59 annually.

#### ADJUSTMENT TO SURVIVOR ANNUITIES

Effective September 1, 1980, Survivor Benefit Plan and Retired Serviceman's Family Protection Plan annuities will be increased by 7.7 percent.

## ADJUSTMENT IN RETIRED PAY

Effective September 1, 1980, members who are entitled to retired pay will be entitled to 7.7 percent increase.

Members who become entitled to retired pay on or after September 1, 1979, but before the next increase in active duty basic pay rates, will become entitled to a 10.8 percent increase effective upon retirement provided their retired pay is computed on the October 1, 1979 active duty pay scale.

### I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Cdr. Ludvik Pfeifer from NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL to NOS, Marine Surveys and Maps, Marine Data Systems Project. (November 1980)

Lt. Cdr. Martin R. Mulhern from NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR to Full-Time University Training, University of Oregon, Corvallis, Oregon. (December 1980)

Lt. Cdr. Donnie M. Spillman from NOS, Office of Oceanography to NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL as Commanding Officer. (July 1981)

Lt. Cdr. Robert C. Roush from MESA Puget Sound Project to NOS, NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER as Executive Officer. (June 1981)

Lt. Cdr. Allan D. Kissam from MESA Puget Sound Project to NMFS, Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center. (June 1981)

Lt. Edward M. Clark, Jr., from NOAA Diving Office to NOS, NOAA Ships RUDE and HECK. (June 1981)

Lt.(JG) Michael McCluskey from NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER to Office of Coastal Zone Management, Marine Sanctuary Program, Washington, DC. (January 1981)

Lt.(JG) Kathleen Edwards from NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to NMFS, Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center for duty on the RACE Project. (August 1980)

Lt.(JG) Peter M. Connors from NOS, NOAA Ships RUDE and HECK to NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Coastal Mapping Division. (December 1980)

Lt.(JG) Frederic R. Plotkin from NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to NMFS, Southwest Fisheries Center, Tiburon, CA. (January 1981)

Lt.(JG) Michael Mallette from NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER to ERL, AOML, Marine Geology and Geophysics, Miami, FL. (February 1981)

### II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

#### CAPTAIN

Melvin J. Umbach from Manned Undersea Science and Technology Office to NOAA Undersea Research Program Office.

John D. Bossler from Deputy Director, NOS, National Geodetic Survey to Director, National Geodetic Survey.

CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER (Continued)

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

David J. Goehler from Office of Congressional Affairs to NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER as Field Operations Officer.

Craig S. Nelson from NOS, NOAA Ship TOWNSEND CROMWELL to NMFS, Southwest Fisheries Center, Pacific Environmental Group, Monterey, CA.

Kent P. Dolan from NOS, Marine Surveys and Maps to NOS, NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER.

LIEUTENANT

Francesca M. Cava from OCSEAP Office Juneau, AK to Office of Marine Pollution Assessment, Rockville, MD.

Dennis M. Kuhl from NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL to Atlantic Marine Center.

Duane C. Simpson from NOS, Office of Oceanography to NOS, Ocean Pollution Monitoring Group.

Todd A. Baxter from NOS, Pacific Marine Center to NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER.

Michael S. Sagalow from NOA Officers Training Center to NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL.

III. PROMOTIONS

Donald J. Florwick	CAPT	8/01/80
Robert V. Smart	CDR	8/01/80
Alan D. Anderson	LCDR	8/01/80
Patrick J. Rutten	LT	8/01/80
Howard A. Jemison III	LT	8/01/80
Gary P. Bulmer	LTJG	8/01/80
Denise J. Hollman	LTJG	8/01/80

IV. APPOINTMENTS

None

V. RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS APPROVED

Retirements

None

Resignations

None

VI. RETIREMENTS

None

VII. RESIGNATIONS

William G. Wills	LTJG	8/01/80
Martin K. Smith	LTJG	8/04/80
Bryce M. Scott	LT	8/15/80
Ronald K. Dutton, Jr.	LTJG	8/31/80

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO LINEAL LIST

None

IX. ON BOARD STRENGTH AS OF SEPTEMBER 1980 - 370

NOTE: The NOAA CORPS BULLETIN for the month of AUGUST 1980 was lost somewhere in the system.

The following pages consist of some of the articles that appeared in that issue.

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Captain John O. Phillips received a letter of Commendation from R. Adm. Harley D. Nygren, Director, NOAA Corps, for completion upon his retirement of an unprecedented tour of duty as Chairman of the NOAA Corps Officer Personnel Board. He was most recently appointed to the Board in August of 1969 and has served as its Chairman since that date. He has been involved in recommending for selection almost 70% of the individuals now in the Corps. He was commended for his contributions to the Board he chaired with skill and statesmanship.

Captain Charles K. Townsend received a Sustained Superior Performance Award and Cash Award from R. Adm. E. A. Taylor, Director, Pacific Marine Center, for the outstanding manner in which he conducted himself and accomplished his duties as Deputy Director, PMC.

Commander Edward M. Gelb received a Special Act or Service Award and Cash Award from R. Adm. E. A. Taylor, Director, Pacific Marine Center, for his activities and accomplishments during his trip to the Philippines, Peoples Republic of China, and Japan to assist with the logistic requirements of the NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER. These activities revealed the highest overall excellence of performance.

Commanding Officer John T. Atwell, Officers and Crew of the NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN were commended by Capt. E. Nelson, Jr., District Commander (Acting) Seventeenth Coast Guard District, Juneau, AK, for the timely assistance to the distressed tug, MEOGA and its barge. Their performance in this perilous situation has been credited with saving several lives, the tug, and tow. This response was in the best tradition of the maritime services.

Commander Theodore Wyzewski was commended by R. Adm. Ross N. Williams, U.S. Navy, for his superb performance for Navy, particularly in interagency matters related to the management of the national oceanographic research fleet. His leadership, motivation, and initiative have produced significant improvements in our Ocean Management Information system, intra- and interagency coordination, and international cooperation.

Commander John C. Albright received a Sustained Superior Performance and Cash Award from Captain Wayne L. Mobley, for his outstanding managerial abilities and his accomplishments while assigned to the NOAA Ship RAINIER.

Lieutenant Commander Michael F. Kolesar was one of the recipients of a Group Cash Award and Certificate of Recognition for his sustained superior performance in accomplishing nearly 6,000 lineal miles of hydrography during 1979.

Lt. Dennis J. Sigrist received a Sustained Superior Performance Cash Award from Captain Bruce I. Williams, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR, for his interest, energy, and the professional manner in which he approached his responsibilities while assigned to this ship.

Lieutenant John A. Withrow received a Certificate of Recognition from Director, Environmental Research Laboratories, for his outstanding performance of duties in his operations assignments. His organizational ability and thorough understanding of scientific and technological objectives have earned him praise from his colleagues.

Lieutenant (jg) Teresa C. E. Bowles received a Sustained Superior Performance Cash Award from R. Adm. E. A. Taylor, Director, PMC, for her willingness to accept responsibility and carry out duties, her initiative in finding jobs that need doing and her availability to lend a helping hand to anyone who needs it.

## ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - National Marine Fisheries Service  
Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center  
Foreign Fisheries Observer Program  
Seattle, WA

Rank - Ens. - Lt.

### Introduction

This assignment is at the Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center in Seattle, WA, as the Foreign Fisheries Observer Training Officer in the Resource Ecology and Fisheries Management Division.

### Duties and Responsibilities

The assigned officer is responsible for hiring and training American fisheries biologists to be observers on foreign ships. Observers are trained in fisheries sampling techniques, functioning in a shipboard foreign culture, species identification, observance of violations to fishery regulations, and collection of the necessary biological data. Typical observers are seniors or recent university graduates in Fisheries Biology. All observers are employed by the University of Washington or Oregon State University through a contract supplied by the U.S. Government. Applications are accepted from graduates of any accredited college or university.

In addition the officer must plan, order, issue and maintain the equipment sent with each observer. Approximately 120 observers are sent out each year for two month cruises aboard Japanese, Russian, Korean, Polish, Spanish, West German, and Taiwanese vessels. All ships are independent stern trawlers and longliners ranging in size from 350 to 8,000 gross tons. A number of observers are also placed on Japanese motherships which can reach up to 28,000 gross tons.

### Qualifications

Preferred qualifications include prior tour of duty aboard a NOAA vessel, skill in oral and verbal communication and an academic background in biology. Prior fisheries experience and Ichthyology knowledge is desirable but not a requirement.

### Career Benefits

This billet is intended as a career development step for a fisheries-oriented officer. Additional benefits include experience in public speaking, procurement of equipment, and personnel relations.

### Sea Duty

At the officer's option, one or two month cruises as an observer on board a foreign vessel can be arranged and is encouraged.

### Contact

For further information call Lt.(jg) Sam De Bow, FTS 399-4990.

## NOAA EXCHANGE OFFICER

### I. INTRODUCTION

The Director, Naval Oceanography Division (OP-952)/ Oceanographer of the Navy (hereafter referred to as the Oceanographer) is charged with the centralized guidance and direction and determination of requirements for Naval Oceanography (including oceanography, meteorology, mapping, charting, geodesy and chronometry). The Oceanographer acts for the Chief of Naval Operations in all Navy matters concerning Naval Oceanography, and coordinates research and development oceanographic matters with the office of the Secretary of the Navy, through the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research, Engineering and Systems). The Oceanographer controls all oceanographic activities in the Navy, and provides a central authority to ensure effective and integrated operation of Naval Oceanography.

The incumbent of this position is normally assigned for a three year tour in the Washington, D.C. Headquarters of the Oceanographer.

### II. MAJOR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The incumbent is normally assigned to the office of International and Interagency Affairs Branch. The Branch Head is the principal interface between the Oceanographer of the Navy and U.S. civil Federal agencies in oceanographic activities germane to the Fleet and the goals of Naval Oceanography which includes ocean science, technology, engineering, oceanographic and hydrographic operations, and environmental prediction support to the Fleet in all Naval Warfare and Support areas and national security.

1. Assists in liaison with key federal and national councils, committees, and agencies relating to the Naval Oceanographic Program.

2. Provides staff support for intergovernmental oceanographic relations with foreign government according to formal intergovernmental bi-lateral and multi-national agreements.

3. Maintains a current, comprehensive knowledge of NOAA ship assets and their operations.

4. Reviews Navy activities and capabilities in hydrography to meet, principally, the requirements of the Defense Mapping Agency and international commitments.
5. Serves as the principal coordinator of the NAVY/NOAA/NSF oceanographic research fleet management working group.
6. Serves as the principal point of contact to the University Oceanographic Laboratory System (UNOLS) for the Oceanographer.
7. Provides staff support to the federal Fleet Coordinating Council.
8. Maintains appropriate NAVY/NOAA agreement background files, including Memoranda of Understanding, and other germane formal agreements.
9. Assists in the development and coordination of plans for international and interagency oceanographic activities.
10. Coordinates the readiness status of the NAVY/NOAA war-time mobilization plan and agreement.
11. Advises on joint training and education programs.
12. Serves on working groups that require specific knowledge and experience.
13. Assists in the preparation of National level reports, schedules, and catalogs as required.
14. Serves as the representative of the Branch Head or the Oceanographer at technical, scientific, or management meetings when appropriate.
15. Coordinates the acquisition, bailment, and disposition of oceanographic vessels in concert with appropriate Navy authorities; including the Chief of Naval Research, the Commander Naval Oceanography Command, and within the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations. In special instances coordination with the General Services Administration and the Agency for International Development is required.

### III. CONTROLS OVER THE POSITION

The incumbent works under general guidance provided by the Head, International and Interagency Affairs Branch. His assignment covers the broad range of ocean affairs associated with international and interagency oceanographic research,

development, and operational matters. Specific assignments are not normally made, the incumbent being given the latitude to carry out his overall assignment in a manner that he determines to be of the greatest benefit to Naval Oceanography and the U. S. Navy. Specific goals will be established annually and performance appraisals will be made on the basis of achievement related to these goals.

He keeps the Branch Head informed on each of the assigned duties and responsibilities and provides counsel to him on important problems and matters of policy.

#### IV. QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE POSITION

The incumbent will be exposed to a spectrum of career enhancing experiences. The following qualifications are desirable:

1. An in-depth knowledge of all NOAA sea-going assets and NOAA fleet operations.
2. Field experience in hydrography or oceanography.
3. Experience or aptitude in engineering.
4. Prior military experience.
5. Senior LCDR or Junior CDR rank with SECRET clearance.

#### V. CAREER BENEFITS

At the end of a three year tour with the Oceanographer of the Navy the NOAA Exchange Officer should be able to:

1. Function efficiently within the Navy organization and according to its established procedures.
2. Identify key international/interagency organizations involved in the Federal Oceanographic Program and international oceanographic activities.
3. Contribute to the management and long-range planning for major facilities, particularly ships, required for hydrographic and oceanographic field activities.
4. Advise on interagency ship use coordination and management in peace-time and in the event of war.
5. Advise on the status and trends in domestic and foreign ocean engineering.

6. Function effectively in activities requiring interagency and international interfacing.

7. Expedite formal communications within the Executive Department.

8. Utilize the Navy Ocean Management Information System and the Federal Oceanographic Information Center.

9. Define the responsibilities of the Oceanographer of the Navy in the areas of oceanography, meteorology, mapping, charting and geodesy, and chronometry.

Assignment Opening - National Ocean Survey  
National Geodetic Survey  
Gravity, Astronomy, and Satellite Branch  
Rockville, Md.

Rank - Lt. - Lt. Cdr.

### Introduction

The National Geodetic Survey, Gravity, Astronomy and Satellite Branch, is responsible for the establishment and maintenance of a national gravity reference network designed to meet the combined requirements of a diverse community of users. Scientific investigations of the internal structure and dynamics of the Earth require the highest achievable measurements of the absolute value of gravity. The Air Force Geophysical Laboratories (AFGL) has developed an absolute gravity meter, based on the measurement of the acceleration of a body in free fall, that appears to be operating at the  $\approx 10 \mu\text{gal}$  level of uncertainty. The falling body, an optical retroreflector, is one element of an interferometer, allowing the very accurate measurement of its displacement. The time intervals which the body takes to drop selected distances are measured with a resolution of approximately 20 picoseconds. While the system is highly automated, the proper setting-up, operating, and monitoring the functioning of the instrument requires a very knowledgeable and technically skilled operator.

### Duties

Receive training by AFGL scientists on all aspects of the construction, functioning, testing and maintenance of the gravity meter, and on the reduction and interpretation of the observation data.

Interact with other members of the Gravity Astronomy and Satellite Branch, and other elements of NGS, to develop an appropriate observational program.

Operate the gravity meter at selected sites, perform field reductions of the observational data, and work closely with office personnel to insure that the final gravity values are of the highest attainable quality.

Prepare reports, oral presentations, and technical papers concerning the instrument, the observational program, and the results, for presentation within NGS and at professional meetings.

### Requirements

Strong background in electronics, optical, and mechanical instrumentation, such as would be obtained from college programs of study in physics, optical sciences or electronic engineering.

Ability to work harmoniously with research and operationally oriented personnel at NGS, AFGL, and other Governmental and academic organizations, to maximize the quality and quantity of the absolute gravity measurements made with the instrument, and to disseminate the results to the user community.

### Supervision

The officer will be under the administrative supervision of the Chief, Operations Division, NGS. Scientific and technical supervision and advice will be obtained from the Chief, Gravity, Astronomy and Satellite Branch.

### Travel

There is a need to make frequent trips of varying duration. Possibility of being mobile for 3-4 months out of the year.

### Contact

Dr. William Carter, Phone: 443-8171.

Assignment Opening - National Ocean Survey, Pacific Marine Center,  
Recruiter - Special Assistant to the Director,  
PMC

Incumbent - Lt. (jg) Teresa C. E. Bowles - Up  
for reassignment by Mid '81

Rank - Lt. - Lt. (jg)

Introduction: This position is that of Special Assistant to the Director, Pacific Marine Center, and is "encumbered" by a Commissioned Officer, NOAA Corps. The principal duties and responsibilities involve the performance of a variety of administrative and advisory tasks to support the function of the Center Director, and are more specifically described below.

Duties and Responsibilities: Administer the Pacific Marine Center Commissioned Officer recruiting function, including visits to colleges and universities; interview, advise, and process the necessary papers for applicants. Provide assistance to commissioned officers reporting to Pacific Marine Center by furnishing information relative to housing, schools, transportation, medical services, etc.; counseling pertaining to officer duty assignments and in the solution of personal or job related problems in connection with reassignment.

Provide a liaison service for contacts involving commissioned officers of Pacific Marine Center, the Director, PMC, and the Commissioned Personnel Division in Rockville, MD. Keep up to date and assure a flow of information on all topics of common interest to officer personnel.

Contact point for retired officers in obtaining identification cards for selves and dependents, personal records or documents, car stickers, and retirement benefits and privileges.

Research special problems and carry out special assignments as directed by Director, PMC. Provide advice and assistance to the Director, PMC, on all matters which incumbent feels affect the general efficiency of the Marine Center, including commissioned officers, operational and administrative matters.

Supervision and Guidance Received: The Director, Pacific Marine Center, provides general guidance, but fully expects the incumbent to rely heavily on described duties and responsibilities.

"TEST TUBE" CONCEPTION NOT COVERED BY CHAMPUS

CHAMPUS benefits are not available for artificial (test tube) conception. The object of the procedure is to induce fertilization artificially outside the body or "in vitro" -- which literally translated means "in a glass container."

The need for the ruling arose when a clinic offering the "test tube baby" program opened in Norfolk, Virginia. Several military families in that area made inquiries concerning the availability of CHAMPUS benefits for the fertilization process.

Program officials emphasize, however, that regular CHAMPUS maternity benefits are available if a pregnancy should result.

Beneficiaries are also reminded that CHAMPUS benefits are not available for artificial insemination.

FULL-TIME/LONG-TERM TRAINING, FY82 - Various Selected Universities

Description: An Academic year of job or career related study at a university meeting the needs of the organization and the individual. The Full-Time/Long-Term Program usually provides training for a period of 8 - 12 months (one academic year of continuous study) in a non-Government facility, generally a college or university. Although the term system may vary--semester, trimester, quarter--all courses must be completed within one calendar year of date training is to begin. Extensions or reductions of training time must be requested in advance through the same channels that were used in requesting the original Full-Time/Long-Term assignment.

The training requires the execution of form CD-67, Agreement for Employees Assigned to Training Through Non-Government Facilities, an obligation for a period of Federal service equivalent to three times the amount of training time.

Costs : Tuition, fees, books, supplies, travel, per diem, and salary are provided at government expense, subject to NOAA policies.

Selection Criteria : The selection of officers to receive long-term training assignments will be based on the following factors:

1. The relevancy of the training to current and projected assignments in terms of organizational requirements.
2. The relevancy of the training to identified individual developmental needs.
3. Evidence of the candidate's ability and desire to successfully undertake and complete a comprehensive long-term training program.
4. The candidate's commitment to NOAA and to the Federal Service.

Restrictions: The selection and assignment of an officer for training through non-government facility, or the payment or reimbursement of the costs of training, is prohibited solely for the purpose of providing an opportunity to an employee to obtain one or more academic degrees.

Justification : The benefits to the Agency of Full-Time/Long-Term training on the part of the employee must be clearly stated. A great effort should be made to involve institutions with substantial capability in the proposed field of study.

Only applications with clear, strong justifications for Full-Time/Long-Term training and for the choice of a particular institution will be approved. Applications for training which indicate that the applicant is taking a minimum course load required by the institution to qualify for full-time student status will not in general be approved. Full-Time/Long-Term training for programs in policy analysis, administration or management study will be approved only if substantial justification is shown.

Further  
Information: Program Planning Liaison & Training Division - 443-8950

I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Capt. Ray E. Moses from NOS, Marine Surveys and Maps to NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR as Commanding Officer. (March 1981)

Capt. Raymond L. Speer from NOS, Pacific Marine Center to NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER as Commanding Officer. (October 1980)

Lt. Cdr. Abram Y. Bryson, Jr., from NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to NOS, NOAA Ship ALBATROSS IV as Commanding Officer. (October 1980)

Lt. Cdr. David B. MacFarland from NOS, Pacific Marine Center to NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON as Executive Officer. (July 1981)

II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

COMMANDER

Nortrup, Donald E. from Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA to NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE as Commanding Officer.

Tignor, Clarence W. from NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ to NOS, Atlantic Marine Center as Assistant Operations Officer.

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

Flior, Arthur N. from NOS, Office of Aeronautical Charting and Cartography Requirements and Technical Staff to the Aeronautical Chart Division as Assistant Chief.

Schiro, Richard A. from NOS, NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER to Full-Time University Training, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX.

Meyer, Michael C. from NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL to Office of Marine Pollution Assessment, Rockville, MD.

LIEUTENANT

Seymour, Edward E. Jr., from NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to ERL, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory, Ocean Chemistry Division.

Mercer, Roger W. from NOS, NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN to NMFS, Northwest and Alaska Fisheries, Resource Assessment and Conservation Engineering Program (RACE)

Stroble, Garth W. from NWS, San Francisco Field Office to NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR.

Wheaton, Gerald E. from NOS, Pacific Marine Center to Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA.

Zigelman, Charles I. from NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER to NOAA Officers Training Center, Kings Point, NY.

Clary, John C. III from NOS NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN to NMFS, Southeast Fisheries Center, Galveston Laboratory.

Diaz, Federico E. from NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING to NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Hydrographic Survey Branch.

III. PROMOTIONS

Francis D. Moran	CAPT	7/01/80
Clarence W. Tignor	CDR	7/01/80
Michael Kawka	CDR	7/01/80
Andrew A. Armstrong	LCDR	7/01/80
Gregory V. Segur	LT	5/31/80
E. Scott Varney	LT	7/01/80
Charles E. Gross	LT	7/01/80
Richard R. Behn	LTJG	5/31/80
Cynthia McFee	LTJG	7/01/80
Lyman M. C. Burk, Jr.	LTJG	7/01/80

IV. APPOINTMENTS

Maryanne J. Batten	ENS	7/19/80	Fairleigh Dickinson U.	BS-Marine Biology
Freddie L. Collins	ENS	7/19/80	U. of South Carolina	BS-Marine Science
Miles M. Croom	LTJG	7/10/80	Duke University	BA-Zoology
			Oregon State U.	MS-Oceanography
Eric S. Davis	LT	7/16/80	U.S. Naval Academy	BS-Oceanography
Susan D. Dinkel	ENS	7/19/80	Florida Inst. of Tech.	BS-Chemical Ocean.
Perry N. Glickman	ENS	7/19/80	State U. of New York	BS-Earth/Space Sci.
			Florida Inst. of Tech.	MS-Oceanography
Robert D. Henegar	ENS	7/19/80	Old Dominion U.	BS-Elec. Engr. Tech.
Reginald D. Neal	ENS	6/30/80	Howard U.	BS-Zoology
Frederick W. Rossmann	ENS	7/18/80	U. of Pittsburgh	BS-Civil Engr.
Grady H. Tuell	ENS	7/19/80	U. of Georgia	BS-Geography
Jerome Williamson	ENS	7/18/80	Bowie State College	BS-Biology

V. RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS APPROVED

Retirements

None

Resignations

Ronald K. Dutton	LTJG	8/31/80
Ned J. Jerabek	ENS	9/15/80
Darryl J. Williams	ENS	10/10/80
James F. McGough, Jr.	LTJG	10/31/80
Michael F. Kolesar	LCDR	12/31/80

VI. RETIREMENTS

John O. Phillips	CAPT	8/01/80
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VII. RESIGNATIONS

John B. Nelson	LT	7/31/80
Reginald D. Neal	ENS	7/15/80

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO LINEAL LIST

Floyd Childress II	LCDR
Change in resignation date from 7/31/80 to 8/29/80	

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# NOAA CORPS BULLETIN

OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Volume 10, Number 10

1 October 1980

## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

The Administrator has announced his intention to recommend to the President that Kelly E. Taggart be appointed as Director of the Commissioned Officer Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, with the grade of Rear Admiral (Upper Half) NOAA. This appointment will take place upon my retirement, which is tentatively scheduled for 1 January 1981.

Captain Taggart was recommended for this position by a high level selection committee consisting of both Corps and non-Corps officials. We will publish the details of this process to assure everyone that the process was rational and that the outcome was reasonable.

Captain Taggart has my congratulations and best wishes. He will certainly inherit a lively organization, along with numerous opportunities to improve the system.

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Lt. Cdr. Frederick J. Jones received a Letter of Appreciation from J. C. McCall, NOAA Data Buoy Office, NSTL Station, MS, for his efforts on behalf of the NOAA Data Buoy Office during his tour of duty from May 1979 to September 1980, while assigned to the Engineering Division. His technical contributions to the broad engineering problems have been noteworthy, especially his knowledge of electronic and microprocessor circuitry.

Cdr. Carl W. Fisher, the Commanding Officer, Officers and Crew of the NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ, were commended by Dr. Edwards, NOS, relative to the NOS/AMC participation in the recent Superflux Experiment. Their extensive efforts and those of their associates were a significant factor in the success of this experiment and the enhancement of relations between NOS-AMC and the scientific community.

Lt. Cdr. David J. Goehler received a Letter of Commendation from Charles Odell, Congressional Liaison Officer, NOAA, for his ability to come into a situation completely new to him and serve in such an efficient manner. Cdr. Goehler displayed mature judgment in his contact with Members of Congress and their staffs, and his creativity in developing and implementing ideas was superb.

## ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

ASSIGNMENT OPENING - Office of Coastal Zone Management  
Office of Ocean Resources Coordination  
and Assessment (ORCA)  
Washington, D.C.

Rank - Lieutenant/Lieutenant Commander

## INTRODUCTION

The Office of Coastal Zone Management in Washington, D.C., has a vacancy for a NOAA Corps officer on the professional staff of its Office of Ocean Resources Coordination and Assessment (ORCA) for a period of at least three years. The position is located in Washington, D.C. ORCA is one of the four major program elements of OCZM. Its mission is to develop NOAA policy positions in two important ocean use areas -- outer continental shelf (OCS) oil and gas exploration and marine transportation -- both of which may have significant effects on the development and conservation of ocean and coastal resources of interest to NOAA. NOAA policy coordination in these areas typically involves evaluation of potential activities on commercial fishes, invertebrates, and marine mammals and their habitats, coastal zone management conflicts, and marine sanctuary conflicts, in addition to the provision of oceanographic information for the various regions where specific activities are proposed. In addition to its responsibilities for project-by-project analysis of ocean use proposals, ORCA has initiated a series of strategic assessments of the Nation's coastal and ocean regions. The overall goal of these assessments is to identify significant ocean use conflicts before they occur, so that resources can be developed or conserved in an effective and efficient manner, while environmental damage is minimized. The first of the strategic assessments, for the Eastern United States coastal and ocean zones, is now nearing completion.

Other strategic assessments have been initiated for the Gulf of Mexico and the "ice-stressed regions" of Alaska (the Bering, Chukchi and Beaufort seas). These strategic assessments synthesize and analyze data developed by NOAA and other sources, reduce this data for decisionmaking purposes, combine it with economic information on benefits and costs of alternative actions, and allow NOAA to make informed recommendations on major ocean use proposals.

The position of OCS Oil & Gas Program Officer carries with it the major areas of responsibility outlined below.

#### DUTIES

As OCS Oil & Gas Program Officer, the incumbent will be responsible for coordinating and developing NOAA policy positions on OCS pre- and post-lease sale activities. Assignments will include developing pre-lease sale recommendations for tract deletions, lease stipulations, and other special conditions to minimize the risk of environmental damages and resource use conflicts, reviewing exploration and development plans and environmental studies programs, and coordinating with NOAA representatives to Regional Technical Working Groups and Biological Task Forces where these have been established. The incumbent will work closely with other NOAA offices such as the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Services, the Office of Research and Development, and OCZM's State Coastal Management Programs Office and Sanctuary Programs Office, as well as the U.S. Department of the Interior, at all stages of the OCS oil and gas program to encourage implementation of NOAA recommendations. Periodic travel to NOAA regional offices, laboratories and regional offices of state and federal agencies will be required.

## QUALIFICATIONS

Backgrounds in physical, chemical, or biological oceanography, mathematics, engineering, environmental science, or management are suited for this position. Effective communications skills are essential in that responsibilities include participation in meetings with people of widely varying backgrounds and expertise, as well as the development of policy documents for the NOAA Administrator and Assistant Administrators.

## CONTACT

Charles N. Ehler, Director, Office of Ocean Resources Coordination and Assessment (ORCA), Office of Coastal Zone Management, on 202/634-4120.

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The Office of Coastal Zone Management (OCZM) in Washington, D.C., has a vacancy for a NOAA Corps officer on the professional staff of its Office of Ocean Resources Coordination and Assessment (ORCA) for a period of at least three years. The position is located in Washington, D.C. ORCA is one of the four major program elements of OCZM. Its mission is to develop NOAA policy positions in two important ocean use areas -- outer continental shelf (OCS) oil and gas exploration and marine transportation -- both of which may have significant effects on the development and conservation of ocean and coastal resources of interest to NOAA. NOAA policy coordination in these areas typically involves evaluation of potential activities on commercial fishes, invertebrates, and marine mammals and their habitats, coastal zone management conflicts, and marine sanctuary conflicts, in addition to the provision of oceanographic information for the various regions where specific activities are proposed. In addition to its responsibilities for project-by-project analysis of ocean use proposals, ORCA has initiated a series of strategic assessments of the Nation's coastal and ocean regions. The overall goal of these assessments is to identify significant ocean use conflicts before they occur, so that resources can be developed or conserved in an effective and efficient manner, while environmental damage is minimized. The first of the strategic assessments, for the Eastern United States coastal and ocean

zones, is now nearing completion. Other strategic assessments have been initiated for the Gulf of Mexico and the "ice-stressed regions" of Alaska (the Bering, Chukchi and Beaufort seas). These strategic assessments synthesize and analyze data developed by NOAA and other sources, reduce this data for decisionmaking purposes, combine it with economic information on benefits and costs of alternative actions, and allow NOAA to make informed recommendations on major ocean use proposals.

The position of Marine Transportation Program Officer carries with it the major areas of responsibility outlined below.

#### DUTIES

As Marine Transportation Program Officer, the incumbent will be responsible for coordinating and developing NOAA policy positions on marine transportation activities. Assignments will include analysis of U.S. Coast Guard rules, regulations, and programs such as those related to lightering, tank barges, port access routes, crew standards and training, and ship construction and equipment standards. The incumbent will also be responsible for coordination of NOAA policy on deepwater port proposals and related issues. Close coordination with other NOAA offices such as the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Services, the Office of Research and Development, and OCZM's State Coastal Management Programs Office and Sanctuary Programs Office, as well as the U.S. Coast Guard, will be required to develop and encourage implementation of NOAA's recommendations.

In addition, the incumbent will participate in technical analyses of selected marine transportation issues. For example, ORCA is currently evaluating the influence of factors such as tanker age, size, registry, and

design on the risk of oil spills by analyzing oil tanker accidents over the period of 1969-78. Another study is examining operational pollution discharges from marine transportation sources within various regions of U.S. coastal waters. Periodic travel to NOAA regional offices, laboratories, and regional offices of state and federal agencies will be required.

#### QUALIFICATIONS

Backgrounds in physical, chemical, or biological oceanography, mathematics, engineering, environmental science, or management are suited for this position. Effective communications skills are essential since responsibilities include participation in meetings with people of widely varying backgrounds and expertise, as well as the development of policy documents for the NOAA Administrator and Assistant Administrators.

#### CONTACT

Charles N. Ehler, Director, Office of Ocean Resources Coordination and Assessment (ORCA), Office of Coastal Zone Management, on 202/634-4120.

NOAA Corps Opportunities at Environmental Data and Information Service

NOAA's Environmental Data and Information Service offers a number of opportunities to utilize NOAA Corps officers. The full spectrum of data handling is covered from the establishment of data formats, through the various phases of data acquisition (in a monitoring role), to data archiving and dissemination. The officer uses his/her ingenuity in the appropriate extraction of archived data and provides analyses toward meaningful ways of meeting the particular needs of the user, through digital, descriptive, or graphical techniques. Applications largely involve atmospheric and marine assessment studies, as well as engineering support services. Models are developed which relate the impact of the environment on the nation's resources (crops, energy, fisheries, etc.); other models estimate the possible impact of man-made events on the natural marine environment as in the case of oil spills or other pollutant discharges; statistical probability studies, based on historical data, are computed to give the odds that certain climatological events will occur for a specific geographic location; and biometeorological factors are examined to relate the influence of weather on health. Candidates with strong interests in computer systems analysis and oceanography/meteorology are especially suited to such assignments. Depending upon the officer's prior experience and professional desires, he may find himself/herself quickly elevated to a major program management role.

The following Centers of EDIS are presently represented by members of the NOAA Corps:

National Geophysical and Solar Terrestrial Data Center (NGSDC)  
Boulder, Colorado

Marine Geology and Geophysics (Bathymetry)

LT

Data Studies (Geothermal Mapping)

LCDR

Center for Environmental Assessment Services (CEAS)  
Washington, DC

Marine Environmental Assessment (Program Management) CAPT

Other Centers where officers have served in the past or could benefit from NOAA Corps contributions in the future are as follows:

National Oceanographic Data Center (NODC) - Washington, DC  
National Climatic Center (NCC) - Asheville, NC  
Environmental Science Information Center (ESIC) - Rockville, MD

The following disciplines are required within the various Centers which are conducive to NOAA Corps utilization:

- NGSDC - physical sciences; geophysics; geological oceanography; computer sciences; information sciences
- CEAS - applications/systems programming; physical, biological, or chemical oceanography; marine ecology
- NODC - applications/systems programming; information management; physical, biological, or chemical oceanography
- NCC - marine meteorology; climatology; systems analysis; communications networking; information management
- ESIC - computer science; information management

Generally, an officer will be considered for an assignment in EDIS after his/her first full sea billet. Opportunities will exist for utilization again after a second sea tour or following an assignment with another NOAA element. Every effort will be made to allow the officer to interface with other NOAA elements in the course of carrying out duties at EDIS.

For further information regarding any of these assignment opportunities, please correspond directly with Captain Charles A. Burroughs, Marine Environmental Assessment Division, CEAS/EDIS, 3300 Whitehaven Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20235, ATTN: D23, with copy of letter to NCI, or call FTS 634-7379.

Assignment Opening - Assistant Training Officer, NOAA Officer Training Center,  
Kings Point, NY

Rank - Lt(jg) - Lt.

Nature and Purpose of Work

The assistant training officer handles the day to day administrative and personnel activities of the Officer Training Class.

Duties

The position also offers the opportunity to develop all nautical skills including ship handling. Portions of the program are conducted aboard the T/V Kings Pointer, a 143-foot ocean going tug and the T/V Nereid, a 65-foot converted "T" boat. When underway the assistant training officer acts as the executive officer, with all the attendant responsibility.

The officer will also lecture on various nautical subjects and operate the Academy's sophisticated radar simulator system.

During the training program the ATO will be able to meet representatives of the MPEs within NOAA and be able to participate in the administrative and budgeting process at the Center.

TRAVEL ADVANCES AND IMPREST FUND REIMBURSEMENT FOR TRAVEL EXPENSES

Travel advances of \$250 or less, or in special cases up to \$500, can be obtained from imprest fund cashiers upon presentation of an approved SF-1038, Application and Account for Advance of Funds, when processing cannot be completed in time to obtain the needed advance through regular disbursing channels. When the required advance is in excess of \$250 a justifying statement should be made on the SF-1038 under "Remarks." In all cases, the SF-1038 must be presented to the cashier in duplicate plus a copy of the travel orders and in the case of a blanket order, the Trip Authorization, SF42-5.

When securing advance of funds from the Treasury or the Cashier, a cost breakdown should appear on SF-1038 under "Remarks" (per diem times number of days, vehicle rental, etc.). Do not include transportation costs paid for by government travel requests.

Reimbursements for travel expenses, SF-1012 and 1012a, may be secured from imprest funds provided the amount to be reimbursed does not exceed the maximum single transaction dollar level established by the Treasury Department. Such reimbursements must be restricted to relatively simple claims. The cashiers are not required to function as voucher examiners and in the event of a disallowance by the Office of Finance, the traveler must repay the cashier.

Vouchers and advances for all travel performed for the NOAA Corps must be approved by NC or NC2 official for whom the imprest fund cashier has a current signature card. Employees who present themselves for travel payments, either for themselves or their supervisors must show their building passes or other positive identification. The only exceptions will be people who are well known to the cashier.

TRAVEL TIPS

Effective October 1, 1980

The Per Diem rate for CONUS went from \$35 to \$50 per day and the high cost geographical areas listing was revised to indicate the change and an increase in the maximum to \$75. See the attachment at the end of the Bulletin.

Effective October 1, 1980

PCS mileage increased from 10¢/mi to 18.5¢/mi for members using POC. Dependent mileage remained unchanged.

Although not effective on October 1, 1980, it is expected that the local mileage rate will change from 20.0¢ to 22.5¢ for cars and 11¢ to 20¢ for motorcycles. The effective date will appear in a later Bulletin.

Also, VHA is expected to become effective sometime in October. MEMBERS ARE ADVISED THAT THEY WILL NOT RECEIVE PAYMENT OF VHA UNLESS ENDORSED COPIES OF THEIR ORDERS TO THEIR CURRENT ASSIGNMENT HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY NC1.

VESSELS DESIGNATED AS UNUSUALLY ARDUOUS SEA DUTY (NOAA Directive 56-81) FOR FY81

DISCOVERER	MILLER FREEMAN	DAVIDSON	DELAWARE II
OCEANOGRAPHER	RAINIER	PEIRCE	OREGON II
RESEARCHER	MT. MITCHELL	WHITING	TOWNSEND CROMWELL
SURVEYOR	FAIRWEATHER	ALBATROSS IV	DAVID STAR JORDAN CHAPMAN

## UNIFORM OF THE DAY

Washington, D. C. Area - Effective November 3, 1980  
Norfolk, Virginia Area - Effective October 13, 1980  
Seattle, Washington Area - Effective October 15, 1980

Service Dress Blue (bravo)                      Service Dress Blue (alpha)  
Working Blue, Working Khaki (only if deemed appropriate by prescribing authority)

## VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - I wish to get a Veterans Administration guaranteed loan to purchase a new home. What is the rule about living in the new house?

Answer - A veteran must certify that he intends to live in the house he is buying or building with a VA guaranteed loan.

Question - Does the Veterans Administration pay an additional monthly allowance to a widow in a nursing home if she received Dependency and Indemnity Compensation?

Answer - A widow who qualifies for either Dependency and Indemnity Compensation or pension may be granted aid and attendance allowance if she is a patient in a nursing home.

Question - What is the maximum amount I can borrow on a VA guaranteed home loan? I've been told it is four times the \$25,000 guaranty. Is this correct?

Answer - There is no legal limit on the amount of a loan. The VA will guarantee 60 percent of a loan not to exceed \$25,000. The amount you may borrow is determined by the loan institution's lending policy and your ability to repay the loan.

## CHAMPUS NEWS

### New System To Aid Claim Processing CHAMPUS ELIGIBILITY TO BE VERIFIED BY COMPUTERS

DEERS is a new computer-based enrollment system affecting all active duty and retired military personnel and their dependents and survivors. It will be used to record and verify eligibility for military medical care benefits -- both direct care in military and PHS facilities and care from civilian sources under CHAMPUS.

Use of the system to verify eligibility for CHAMPUS benefits is planned to start on January 1, 1981, when Blue Cross of Southwestern Virginia, one of the CHAMPUS fiscal intermediaries that processes claims, will be tied in with the DEERS computers. A DEERS hookup with Blue Cross of Washington-Alaska, another CHAMPUS fiscal intermediary, is planned for June 1, 1981.

Eventually, approximately nine million beneficiaries will be enrolled in the system and their eligibility for CHAMPUS benefits will be verifiable through telephone hookups with DEERS computer banks.

## NEW APPROACH TO CHAMPUS CLAIMS

Several changes are planned in CHAMPUS claim forms and filing procedures that are designed to improve accuracy in initial claims submission, thus reducing the number of claims that have to be returned.

Revised versions of forms used by the American Medical Association and the American Hospital Association will be used when the provider of medical services fills out and submits the claim. These forms, already widely used by the medical professions will be used for other government programs as well as CHAMPUS and are expected to greatly simplify claim filing procedures for physicians and hospitals.

When a beneficiary submits the claim, one form, a revised version of CHAMPUS Form 500, will be used for all CHAMPUS claims -- for services of both individual and institutional providers and for benefits under the CHAMPUS Program for the Handicapped. The form requires completion of only eligibility information and the attachment of the provider's itemized bill.

CHAMPUS officials say the changes will be phased in over a period beginning October 1, 1980, when the new claim forms are expected to be available.

Details about the new forms will be published as soon as they are announced by CHAMPUS officials.

WHERE TO FILE CHAMPUS CLAIMS - (See attachment at the end of the Bulletin)

### I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Cdr. James M. Wintermyre from NOS, Pacific Marine Center to NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON as the Commanding Officer (January 1982)

Cdr. Joseph A. Sowers currently at Pacific Marine Center, Electronic Engineering Division to become the Special Projects Officer for the Director, Pacific Marine Center (January 1981)

Lt. Cdr. Stewart McGee, Jr. from Commissioned Personnel Division to NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER as the Executive Officer (February 1981)

### II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

#### COMMANDER

Allbritton, Richard R. from Office of Management and Computer Systems to Office of the Secretary of Commerce.

Wyzewski, Theodore from Office of the Oceanographer of the Navy to NOAA Officer Training Center, Kings Point, NY, as the Officer-in-Charge.

North, Carroll D. Jr., from NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE to NOS, Office of Fleet Operations, Program Planning Division.

#### LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

Bryson, Abram Y., Jr. from NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to NOS, NOAA Ship ALBATROSS IV, Woods Hole, MA.

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER (Continued)

Mulhern, Martin R. from NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR to Full-Time University Training.

Jones, Frederick J. from National Data Buoy Office, Bay St. Louis to NOS, Pacific Marine Center, Electronics Engineering Division.

Floyd, Richard P. from NOS, National Geodetic Survey to NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL as the Executive Officer.

LIEUTENANT

Perrin, Kenneth W. from Naval Postgraduate School to NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL.

Kuhl, Dennis M. from NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL to NOS, Atlantic Marine Center.

Sagalow, Michael S. from NOS, NOAA Officer Training Center to NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL as Field Operations Officer.

LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

Cox, Karen L. from Navigator Training, Mather AFB to ERL, Flight Operations Group.

Talbott, Joseph C. from NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER to Anchorage Liaison Officer, Anchorage, AK.

III. PROMOTIONS

David H. Minkel	LT	8/16/80
Christopher P. Hancock	LTJG	8/01/80
David J. Kruth	LTJG	8/05/80
Eric C. Stirrup	LTJG	8/16/80
Deborah A. Bland	LTJG	9/01/80

IV. APPOINTMENTS

None

REAPPOINTMENTS

Douglas G. Brockhouse	LTJG	9/22/80	Lineal Number - 310A (Assigned to NOS, Atlantic Marine Centr, Hydrographic Survey Branch, Norfolk, VA)
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John W. Humphrey, Jr.	ENS	9/28/80	Lineal Number - 358A (Assigned to NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL, Norfolk, VA)
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V. RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS APPROVED

Retirements

None

Resignations

None

VI. RETIREMENTS

None

VII. RESIGNATIONS

William W. Pearson II	LTJG	9/11/80
Jerome Williamson	ENS	9/12/80
Ned J. Jerabek	ENS	9/15/80
Stephen J. Kott	LT	9/26/80

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO LINEAL LIST

None

IX. ON BOART STRENGTH AS OF 1 OCTOBER 1980 - 368

**APPENDIX L**  
**HIGH COST AREAS IN THE UNITED STATES**

The areas listed in this Appendix comprise the high cost areas in the United States referred to in Chapter 4, Part A, and the maximum amounts shown are the maximum amounts payable in these areas unless a greater amount has been authorized for unusual duty

assignments by the officials specified in par. M4004. Unless otherwise specified, the high cost area is the county. To facilitate locating the county within each state, a city, town or selected point is indicated opposite the county.

High Cost Area	City, Town or Selected Point	Maximum Daily Amount	Effective Date
<b>Arizona:</b>			
Pima	Tucson	61.00	10-1-80
<b>California:</b>			
Alameda	Oakland	\$ 75.00	10-1-80
Contra Costa	Concord	75.00	10-1-80
Fresno	Fresno	57.00	10-1-80
Kern	Bakersfield	57.00	10-1-80
Los Angeles	Los Angeles	70.00	10-1-80
Orange	Los Angeles	70.00	10-1-80
Sacramento	Sacramento	62.00	10-1-80
San Diego	San Diego	70.00	10-1-80
San Francisco	San Francisco	75.00	10-1-80
Santa Barbara	Santa Barbara	68.00	10-1-80
Santa Clara	San Jose	64.00	10-1-80
Ventura	Los Angeles	70.00	10-1-80
<b>Colorado:</b>			
Adams	Denver	67.00	10-1-80
Arapahoe	Denver	67.00	10-1-80
Denver	Denver	67.00	10-1-80
Eagle	Vail	69.00	10-1-80
El Paso	Colorado Springs	63.00	10-1-80
Jefferson	Denver	67.00	10-1-80
<b>Connecticut:</b>			
Hartford	Hartford	56.00	10-1-80
Middlesex	Hartford	56.00	10-1-80
New Haven	New Haven	63.00	10-1-80
<b>Delaware:</b>			
New Castle	Wilmington	62.00	10-1-80
<b>District of Columbia:</b>			
Washington, DC	Washington, DC	75.00	10-1-80
<b>Florida:</b>			
Broward	Fort Lauderdale	64.00	10-1-80
Dade	Miami	64.00	10-1-80
Hillsborough	Tampa	62.00	10-1-80
Monroe	Key West	64.00	10-1-80
Palm Beach	West Palm Beach	64.00	10-1-80
Pinellas	St. Petersburg	62.00	10-1-80
Sarasota	Sarasota	60.00	10-1-80

High Cost Area	City, Town or Selected Point	Maximum Daily Amount	Effective Date
Georgia:			
Cobb	Atlanta	56.00	10-1-80
DeKalb	Atlanta	56.00	10-1-80
Fulton	Atlanta	56.00	10-1-80
Illinois:			
Cook	Chicago	74.00	10-1-80
Lake	Chicago	74.00	10-1-80
Indiana:			
Allen	Fort Wayne	62.00	10-1-80
Marion	Indianapolis	62.00	10-1-80
Kansas:			
Sedgwick	Wichita	59.00	10-1-80
Wyandotte	Kansas City	68.00	10-1-80
Kentucky:			
Fayette	Lexington	58.00	10-1-80
Jefferson	Louisville	59.00	10-1-80
Louisiana (by Parish):			
Jefferson	New Orleans	75.00	10-1-80
Orleans	New Orleans	75.00	10-1-80
Plaquemines	New Orleans	75.00	10-1-80
St. Bernard	New Orleans	75.00	10-1-80
Maryland:			
Baltimore City	Baltimore	59.00	10-1-80
Baltimore	Cockeysville	59.00	10-1-80
Hartford	Edgewood	57.00	10-1-80
Montgomery	Washington, DC	75.00	10-1-80
Prince Georges	Washington, DC	75.00	10-1-80
Massachusetts:			
Barnstable	Cape Cod	58.00	10-1-80
Bristol	New Bedford	58.00	10-1-80
Dukes	Martha's Vineyard	58.00	10-1-80
Hampden	Springfield	58.00	10-1-80
Middlesex	Boston	66.00	10-1-80
Nantucket	Nantucket	58.00	10-1-80
Norfolk	Boston	66.00	10-1-80
Suffolk	Boston	66.00	10-1-80
Worcester	Worcester	58.00	10-1-80
Michigan:			
Kalamazoo	Kalamazoo	57.00	10-1-80
Kent	Grand Rapids	58.00	10-1-80
Cakland	Pontiac	62.00	10-1-80
Wayne	Detroit	75.00	10-1-80
Minnesota:			
Anoka	Minneapolis	61.00	10-1-80
Hennepin	Minneapolis	61.00	10-1-80
Ramsey	St. Paul	61.00	10-1-80

High Cost Area	City, Town or Selected Point	Maximum Daily Amount	Effective Date
Missouri:			
Jackson	Kansas City	68.00	10-1-80
St. Charles	St. Louis	67.00	10-1-80
St. Louis City	St. Louis	67.00	10-1-80
Nevada:			
Clark	Las Vegas	75.00	10-1-80
New Jersey:			
Atlantic	Atlantic City	63.00	10-1-80
Bergen	Fort Lee	67.00	10-1-80
Cape May	Cape May	58.00	10-1-80
Essex	Newark	67.00	10-1-80
Hudson	Jersey City	67.00	10-1-80
Monmouth	Eatontown	56.00	10-1-80
Ocean	Tom's River	58.00	10-1-80
Passaic	Paterson	67.00	10-1-80
Union	Elizabeth	67.00	10-1-80
New Mexico:			
Los Alamos	Los Alamos	58.00	10-1-80
New York:			
Bronx	New York City	75.00	10-1-80
Essex	Lake Placid	56.00	10-1-80
Kings	New York City	75.00	10-1-80
Monroe	Rochester	63.00	10-1-80
Nassau	Long Island	75.00	10-1-80
New York	New York City (including the boroughs of Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens and Staten Island)	75.00	10-1-80
Onondaga	Syracuse	59.00	10-1-80
Queens	New York City	75.00	10-1-80
Richmond	Staten Island	75.00	10-1-80
Suffolk	Long Island	75.00	10-1-80
Ohio:			
Cuyahoga	Cleveland	71.00	10-1-80
Lucas	Toledo	59.00	10-1-80
Oregon:			
Multnomah	Portland	56.00	10-1-80
Pennsylvania:			
Allegheny	Pittsburgh	65.00	10-1-80
Berks	Reading	58.00	10-1-80
Chester	Valley Forge	59.00	10-1-80
Dauphin	Harrisburg	58.00	10-1-80
Delaware	Chester	75.00	10-1-80
Lebanon	Indiantown Gap	58.00	10-1-80
Montgomery	King of Prussia	59.00	10-1-80
Philadelphia	Philadelphia	75.00	10-1-80

High Cost Area	City, Town or Selected Point	Maximum Daily Amount	Effective Date
South Carolina:			
Beaufort	Hilton Head	69.00	10-1-80
Tennessee:			
Shelby	Memphis	61.00	10-1-80
Texas:			
Bexar	San Antonio	61.00	10-1-80
Dallas	Dallas	71.00	10-1-80
El Paso	El Paso	58.00	10-1-80
Harris	Houston	74.00	10-1-80
Tarrant	Ft. Worth	71.00	10-1-80
Vermont:			
Chittenden	Burlington	56.00	10-1-80
Virginia:			
Alexandria	(Independent City)	75.00	10-1-80
Arlington	Washington, DC	75.00	10-1-80
Fairfax	(Independent City)	75.00	10-1-80
Falls Church	(Independent City)	75.00	10-1-80
Fairfax	Washington, DC	75.00	10-1-80
Loudoun	Washington, DC	75.00	10-1-80
Washington:			
King	Seattle	72.00	10-1-80
Pierce	Tacoma	57.00	10-1-80
Spokane	Spokane	60.00	10-1-80
West Virginia:			
Kanawha	Charleston	59.00	10-1-80
Wisconsin:			
Milwaukee	Milwaukee	61.00	10-1-80
Wyoming:			
Laramie	Cheyenne	58.00	10-1-80



CHAMPUS Information Division

# CHAMPUS NEWS

CIVILIAN HEALTH AND MEDICAL PROGRAM OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES

OFFICE OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (PA)  
American Forces Information Service  
Washington, D.C. 20301

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## WHERE TO FILE CHAMPUS CLAIMS

### CHAMPUS FISCAL INTERMEDIARIES

This is a list of CHAMPUS Fiscal Intermediaries -- the organizations that process claims and make payments under the CHAMPUS cost-sharing process.

Claims should be sent to the fiscal intermediary serving the state or area where the medical care

or service was provided with the following exceptions:  
Dental claims (except Europe, Africa and the Middle East) and all Christian Science claims should be sent to Blue Shield of California,

PO Box 85035, San Diego, CA 92138. Claims for dental care in Europe, Africa and the Middle East should be sent to OCHAMPUSFUR, 144 Karlsrugerstr., 6900 Heidelberg, FRG, or APO NY 09102.  
NOTE: Dental benefits under CHAMPUS are extremely limited.

<b>Alabama</b> Mutual of Omaha Insurance Co. 3301 Dodge Street Omaha, NB 68131	<b>Illinois</b> Wisconsin Physicians Service PO Box 7952 Madison, WI 53707	<b>Montana</b> Blue Cross of Washington-Alaska PO Box 77084 Seattle, WA 98177	<b>Pennsylvania</b> Pennsylvania Blue Shield PO Box 65 Camp Hill, PA 17011
<b>Alaska</b> Blue Cross of Washington-Alaska PO Box 77084 Seattle, WA 98177	<b>Indiana</b> Wisconsin Physicians Service PO Box 8923 Madison, WI 53707	<b>Nebraska</b> Mutual of Omaha Insurance Co. 3301 Dodge Street Omaha, NB 68131	<b>Rhode Island</b> Blue Cross of Rhode Island One Weybosset Hill Providence, RI 02903
<b>Arizona</b> Blue Shield of California PO Box 85019 San Diego, CA 92138	<b>Iowa</b> Wisconsin Physicians Service PO Box 7956 Madison, WI 53707	<b>Nevada</b> Blue Shield of California PO Box 85023 San Diego, CA 92138	<b>South Carolina</b> Blue Cross of Southwestern Va. PO Box 13828 Roanoke, VA 24034
<b>Arkansas</b> Wisconsin Physicians Service PO Box 7938 Madison, WI 53707	<b>Kansas</b> Wisconsin Physicians Service PO Box 7934 Madison, WI 53707	<b>New Hampshire</b> Blue Shield of California PO Box 85117 San Diego, CA 92138	<b>South Dakota</b> Wisconsin Physicians Service PO Box 7962 Madison, WI 53707
<b>California</b> Blue Shield of California PO Box 85020 San Diego, CA 92138	<b>Kentucky</b> Wisconsin Physicians Service PO Box 8912 Madison, WI 53707	<b>New Jersey</b> Blue Cross of Rhode Island One Weybosset Hill Providence, RI 02903	<b>Tennessee</b> Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Tennessee 801 Pine Street Chattanooga, TN 37402
<b>Colorado</b> Mutual of Omaha Insurance Co. 3301 Dodge Street Omaha, NB 68131	<b>Louisiana</b> Mutual of Omaha Insurance Co. 3301 Dodge Street Omaha, NB 68131	<b>New Mexico</b> Blue Shield of California PO Box 85021 San Diego, CA 92138	<b>Texas</b> Mutual of Omaha Insurance Co. 3301 Dodge Street Omaha, NB 68131
<b>Connecticut</b> Blue Shield of California PO Box 85117 San Diego, CA 92138	<b>Maine</b> Blue Shield of California PO Box 85117 San Diego, CA 92138	<b>New York</b> Blue Cross of Rhode Island One Weybosset Hill Providence, RI 02903	<b>Utah</b> Blue Cross of Washington-Alaska PO Box 77084 Seattle, WA 98177
<b>Delaware</b> Pennsylvania Blue Shield PO Box 65 Camp Hill, PA 17011	<b>Maryland</b> Pennsylvania Blue Shield PO Box 65 Camp Hill, PA 17011	<b>North Carolina</b> Blue Cross of Southwestern Va. PO Box 13828 Roanoke, VA 24034	<b>Vermont</b> Blue Shield of California PO Box 85117 San Diego, CA 92138
<b>District of Columbia</b> Blue Cross of Southwestern Va. PO Box 13828 Roanoke, VA 24034	<b>Massachusetts</b> Blue Shield of California PO Box 85117 San Diego, CA 92138	<b>North Dakota</b> Wisconsin Physicians Service PO Box 7961 Madison, WI 53707	<b>Virginia</b> Blue Cross of Southwestern Va. PO Box 13828 Roanoke, VA 24034
<b>Florida</b> Blue Shield of California PO Box 85022 San Diego, CA 92138	<b>Michigan</b> Blue Shield of California PO Box 85116 San Diego, CA 92138	<b>Ohio</b> Mutual of Omaha Insurance Co. 3301 Dodge Street Omaha, NB 68131	<b>Washington</b> Blue Cross of Washington-Alaska PO Box 77084 Seattle, WA 98177
<b>Georgia</b> Mutual of Omaha Insurance Co. 3301 Dodge Street Omaha, NB 68131	<b>Minnesota</b> Wisconsin Physicians Service PO Box 7959 Madison, WI 53707	<b>Oklahoma</b> Wisconsin Physicians Service PO Box 7936 Madison, WI 53707	<b>West Virginia</b> Mutual of Omaha Insurance Co. 3301 Dodge Street Omaha, NB 68131
<b>Hawaii</b> Hawaii Medical Service Assn. PO Box 860 Honolulu, HI 96808	<b>Mississippi</b> Mutual of Omaha Insurance Co. 3301 Dodge Street Omaha, NB 68131	<b>Oregon</b> Blue Cross of Washington-Alaska PO Box 77084 Seattle, WA 98177	<b>Wisconsin</b> Wisconsin Physicians Service PO Box 7953 Madison, WI 53707
<b>Idaho</b> Blue Cross of Washington-Alaska PO Box 77084 Seattle, WA 98177	<b>Missouri</b> Wisconsin Physicians Service PO Box 7939 Madison, WI 53707		<b>Wyoming</b> Blue Cross of Washington-Alaska PO Box 77084 Seattle, WA 98177

### FOREIGN / OVERSEAS AREAS

**Puerto Rico**  
Blue Shield of California  
PO Box 85022  
San Diego, CA 92138

**Pacific Area (Including China, Thailand and Korea)**  
Hawaii Medical Service Assn.  
PO Box 860  
Honolulu, HI 96808

**Canada, Mexico, Central and South America**  
Mutual of Omaha  
3301 Dodge Street  
Omaha, NB 68131

**Europe, Africa, Middle East**  
OCHAMPUSFUR  
144 Karlsrugerstr.  
6900 Heidelberg, FRG  
or APO NY 09102



# NOAA CORPS BULLETIN

OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

The Administrator has approved most of the recommendations of the NOAA Corps Task Force Report. He has asked for two follow-on analyses. As soon as the report is available in a final form we will publish more information on its contents. The report is very favorable to the Corps. It suggests a number of actions that should lead to enhancement of its ability to do the many things now being asked of it.

The Administrator also approved the promotion of Captain Charles K. Townsend to the grade of Rear Admiral (Lower Half) effective 16 October, as the Director of the Pacific Marine Center, NOS. Rear Admiral Lippold swore him in, and he is now officially holding the bag. My personal and official best wishes and congratulations go to him on this well deserved promotion.

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Lt. Cdr. Stewart McGee received a letter of appreciation from Samuel A. Lawrence, Assistant Administrator for Management and Budget, for his participation in the 6th Annual Conference (5th Annual Student Science Competition) of the National Consortium for Black Professional Development.

The efforts exhibited by him and other NOAA employees in attendance exemplifies NOAA's commitment to community outreach programs. His efforts reflected a positive image of NOAA to the sponsors, students, and other participants of the conference.

Lt. Kent Doggett was commended by Salvatore R. LeMole, USAF, Vice Commander, for his assistance during the Solar Observing Optical Network (SOON) Production Qualification and Acceptance Test (PQAT) for the periods of 6 November-5 December 1979 and 16 June-5 August 1980 at the Learmonth Solar Observatory. His overall efforts assisted in the successful completion of the PQAT.

Cdr. Ronald L. Newsom, the officers and crew of the NOAA Ship RESEARCHER received a Unit Citation from R. Adm. Lippold in recognition of their exceptional contributions to the missions and objectives of the National Ocean Survey.

Assignment Opening - National Marine Fisheries Service  
Southwest Region  
Western Pacific Program Office  
Honolulu, Hawaii

Rank - Ensign - Lt.(jg)  
Will consider Lt. - Lt. Cdr.

### Requirements

Masters degree in Marine Science, preferably with a specialization in Tropical Marine Science. Incumbent must be familiar with the fisheries of the Central and Western Pacific, both foreign and domestic. Knowledge of or familiarity with North-western Hawaiian Island and/or Western Pacific fish and marine mammal species is also required. Some computer experience is necessary. It is highly desirable to have a thorough knowledge of the Dec 1022 system, TECO/SOS editing, and/or experience with other PDP equipment. Familiarity with procedures and techniques used in collecting pelagic and bottom fish, and crustacean data is necessary.

### Duties

The incumbent will be involved in three major program elements of fishery management within the Western Pacific Program Office. These include marine mammal and endangered species management, habitat protection and law enforcement. The incumbent will be involved in assisting with the development and implementation of a marine mammal stranding and salvage network for the Central and Western Pacific. This project includes the design and dissemination of data formats and information retrieval and storage. The incumbent will assist the habitat protection program by conducting pre- and post- construction site inspections for adherence to environmental protection legislation and Corps of Engineer (COE) permit restrictions. These COE permitted activities often occur in marine or estuarine areas and inspection may require the use of SCUBA (pending NOAA certification). The incumbent will assist the WPPPO law enforcement program by providing small boat handling capabilities during the humpback whale season in Hawaii. This will involve primarily operating a 24-32 foot inboard/outdrive vessel and providing other logistical assistance to the special agent assigned to the vessel. While assisting the humpback whale management task the incumbent will also undertake opportunistic censuses and behavioral observations of marine mammals. Other duties within the law enforcement program will include monitoring foreign fishing activity in the Central and Western Pacific, coordinating WPPPO activities with the foreign fishery observer program, monitoring the status of permits and permitted foreign fishing vessels, and serving a liaison between WPPPO and the Honolulu Laboratory ADP program.

### Contact

Officers interested in this billet are requested to write to Doyle Gates or Eugene Nitta, National Marine Fisheries Service, P. O. Box 3830, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96812 or call 808-946-2181.

## ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening: Ocean Chemistry and Biology Laboratory  
AOML/NOAA

Rank - Ensign, Lt. (jg), Lt.

Introduction: This position is located in the Ocean Chemistry and Biology Laboratory, Atlantic Oceanographic & Meteorological Laboratory, Miami, Florida.

This request is for a NOAA Corps Junior Officer completing a tour of sea duty. The request is primarily for a research scientist to work in OCBL's Mechanisms and Effects group.

Knowledge of/and experience in biological research and statistical analysis would be desirable.

Duties: The officer assigned to the OCBL must have demonstrated research interests and capabilities. He/she would be assigned primary responsibility for some function of the biological program, would conduct sampling and experimentation, and would analyze data in preparation for publication. In performance of these duties, the officer may be required to travel to OCBL field locations including ships of the UNOLS and NOAA fleets.

Supervision: The officer would work under the supervision of the OCBL Director and the Mechanisms and Effects project leader.

Contact: For further information regarding this position contact Peter B. Ortner, Ocean Chemistry and Biology Laboratory, NOAA/AOML. Commercial: (305) 361-4384; FTS: 350-1384.

Assignment Opening: Ocean Acoustics Laboratory  
AOML/NOAA

Navigation Specialist  
Rank - Lt.(jg) - Lt.

Introduction: This position is located in the Ocean Acoustics Laboratory, Atlantic Oceanographic & Meteorological Laboratories, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Miami, Florida.

This request is for a NOAA Corps Junior Officer completing his/her first tour of sea duty. The request is primarily for a navigator.

Knowledge of computer programming, physics, math, engineering is desirable. Training may be offered.

Duties: The officer assigned to the OAL must have plotting and navigational capabilities. He/she will be responsible for organizing field operations, coordinating ship scheduling, assisting in sea-going operations, and interfacing with his/her counterparts in the EPA and the Navy.

In performance of these duties, the officer may be required to travel to OAL field locations, including ships of the NOAA fleet.

Supervision: The officer will work under the supervision of the OAL Director and/or Projects Leader.

Contact: For further information regarding this position, contact John R. Proni, Director, Ocean Acoustics Laboratory, AOML, 361-4329.

Assignment Opening - Office of Marine Pollution Assessment  
Data & Information Management Group  
Assignment Location - Boulder or Seattle

Rank: Lt. (jg) - Lt. Cdr.

### Introduction

The Office of Marine Pollution Assessment (OMPA) was created in late 1978 to provide a central coordination office for NOAA's marine pollution and environmental programs. These include Marine Ecosystems Analysis (MESA) Projects in the New York Bight and Puget Sound, the Outer Continental Shelf Environmental Assessment Program (OCSEAP) in Alaska, the Hazardous Materials Response Project (that provides primary scientific response to oil and chemical spills), the Ocean Dumping Research Program, and several other similar projects. The individual projects are administered by Project staff in various regional offices throughout the country (Boulder, Seattle, Juneau, Stony Brook (NY), and Rockville). Overall program coordination, budgetary planning, and long-range program design are carried out by an overall Program staff located primarily in Rockville and Boulder.

### Duties and Responsibilities

The Data and Information Management (D&IM) Group of OMPA is part of the overall Program staff, responsible for data aspects of OMPA's work. One part of this work is the development of a program-wide data base and the use of this data base to support program assessment and synthesis activities. Currently this effort concentrates on defining the types of data and information required to answer the many environmental questions posed by human development and use of the marine environment. This effort will evolve over the next few years, into first considering a series of tasks associated with developing a data base (parameters to be included, data formats, data validation procedures, data base structure, etc.), and then into the use of the data base to provide a variety of data products and statistical analyses which can be used to support the program's environmental analysis effort.

Another major task is developing programmatic management systems to aid Program and Project staff, such as budget tracking, proposal tracking, and equipment inventories. The Data and Information Management staff is responsible for overseeing the development and use of the environmental data base and the development of the programmatic management information system. In addition, support is provided to individual projects on subjects concerning ADP procurement, data processing, data communication and analysis of scientific data.

The duties of an individual officer in this billet will vary depending on his or her abilities and preferences. A computer background could lead to more involvement with programming or system design; an oceanographer, biologist, chemist, or geologist may find disciplinary support or project support more interesting. Project liaison work with individual staff members can be a major part of the assignment with a large amount of TDY travel, or the emphasis can be on planning and system design with less personal interaction.

The officer in this assignment will report directly to the OMPA Program Manager for Data and Information Management, located in Boulder. He/she will be working fairly independently on specific tasks relating to various projects, but coordinates all activities with the Program D&I Manager and the other members of the D&IM Group.

The Data and Information Management function within OMPA is assigned to the Boulder Office. The proposed assignment most logically should be located there. However, consideration might be given to assignment to Seattle if circumstances warrant it.

Qualifications

A junior officer coming from a first or second sea tour is desirable. He/she should have an interest in environmental research and acquaintance with some of the disciplines involved (physical and chemical oceanography, marine biology, geology, seismology, bathymetry, etc.). A familiarity with computer systems is beneficial but not mandatory, although some involvement with computers will be part of the assignment.

Incumbents: Lt. John Murphy (Seattle), 399-5704  
Lt. (jg) Linda Haas (Boulder, 320-6562

Contact: Capt. K. William Jeffers, Boulder, FTS 320-6546

NEW PAY SCALE (Effective October 1, 1980) - See attachment at the end of the  
Bulletin

## RETROACTIVE DIVING PAY

Retroactive diving pay will be allowable only for period 4/1/77 through 7/31/80 and under the following circumstances:

1. Officer must be a certified diver at the time of the dive.
2. Must have received diving orders.
3. Must have actually made a dive during the calendar month for which claim is being made.

Prior to 4/1/77 diving payments were being made under NOS regulations which stated diving payable at \$55 per pay period during which diving was accomplished.

As of 4/1/77 NOAA Corps became the funding organization and issued the directive which since that date allows diving pay of \$110.00 for each calendar month during which diving is performed under the above listed requirements.

To make claim for periods not yet compensated, present copy of diving orders and a green stripe time and attendance card with pay period number and ending date for each period being claimed. (Diving entitlement is now based on a calendar month. January entitlement, e.g., 1/1 through 1/31). This information is to be sent to NC2 as soon as possible.

## VARIABLE HOUSING ALLOWANCE

Variable Housing Allowance was authorized, effective October 1, 1980, for those officers who have sent to NC1 endorsed copies of their PCS orders assigning them to their current duties. It will appear in the paychecks sometime in November.

In general, an officer who is drawing BAQ at the with or without rate is entitled to VHA for a given area beginning on the day of reporting to duty in that area. The rate for the old station continues until the day prior to the day the member reports to the new station.

As you may not know, VHA is prescribed in the JTR as a daily allowance. However, it was decided that VHA would be paid in equal amounts during each semi-monthly pay period. The following rules explain the method that will be employed.

When officer becomes eligible for VHA during a pay period, the amount to be paid that pay period will be equal to the number of days eligible times the daily allowance.

$$\text{Amount} = \text{Daily Allowance} \times \text{No. of Days Eligible}$$

For subsequent pay periods and also for when an officer becomes eligible on the first day of a pay period, the amount to be paid each pay period is obtained by multiplying the number of days remaining in the fiscal year by the daily amount and dividing by the number of pay periods remaining in the fiscal year.

$$\text{Amount Per Pay Period} = \frac{\text{No. of Days Remaining in the FY} \times \text{Daily Allowance}}{\text{No. of Pay Periods Remaining in the Fiscal Year}}$$

When the allowance changes, the officer's records will be examined to determine if there was an overpayment or underpayment. That amount will be adjusted in the VHA payment due during the pay period of the change.

Example: Member is entitled to VHA of \$3.00/day beginning on 3 October 1980. The allowance changes due to the members PCS and entitlement to \$1.00 day becomes effective 14 January 1981.

The amount to be paid for the pay period ending 15 Oct 1980 is calculated as follows:

$$13 \text{ days} \times \$3.00/\text{day} = \$39$$

The amount to be paid for subsequent pay periods is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{350 \text{ days} \times \$3.00/\text{day}}{23 \text{ pay periods}} = \$45.65/\text{Pay Period}$$

At the change in entitlement, the officer's records are reviewed and any needed adjustments would be made during the pay period ending 15 January 1981.

Amount paid to officer 3 Oct 1980 to 31 Dec 1980

$$\$39.00 + (5 \text{ pay periods} \times \$45.65/\text{pay period}) = \$267.25$$

Amount officer was entitled to 30 Oct 1980 to 31 Dec 1980

$$90 \text{ days} \times \$3.00/\text{day} = \$270.00$$

The net result is an underpayment of \$2.75.

The amount to be paid for the pay period ending 15 Jan 1981 is calculated as follows:

$$\$2.75 + (14 \text{ days} \times \$3.00/\text{day}) + (1 \text{ day} \times \$1.00/\text{day}) = \$45.75$$

The amount to be paid for the remaining pay periods in Fiscal Year 1981 is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{373 \text{ days} \times \$1.00/\text{day}}{17 \text{ pay periods}} = \$21.94$$

#### TRAVEL TIPS

Effective October 9, 1980, the local mileage rate changed from 20¢/mile to 22.5¢/mile for automobiles and from 11¢/mile to 20¢/mile for motorcycles.

#### KARO AND COLBERT AWARD RIBBON CHANGES

The bronze and silver stars which were previously part of the KARO and COLBERT Award Ribbons have now been replaced by triangles of similar material. The triangles will be available through the Uniform Custodian at Kings Point.

Subsequent awards will be indicated by the use of bronze and silver stars with the silver star being equivalent to five bronze stars. The placing of the stars and triangles will conform to the following diagram which will be included in a future change to the Uniform Regulations.

The Use of Stars in Combination with Triangles on Certain Ribbons



First Award



Second Award (Bronze Star) or Sixth Award (Silver Star)\*



Third Award (Bronze Stars) or Seventh Award\*



Fourth Award (Bronze Stars) or Eighth Award\*



Fifth Award (Bronze Stars) or Ninth Award\*

\*The silver star shall be worn to the wearer's right.

## CHAMPUS NEWS

### No Reimbursement to Doctors Suspended Under Social Security Act CHAMPUS TO FOLLOW HHS LISTING OF PROVIDER EXCLUSIONS

Providers of medical services who are listed as suspended, excluded or terminated by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) will be denied reimbursement under CHAMPUS.

The Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (formerly Health, Education and Welfare) may, for purposes of reimbursement under the Social Security Act, suspend, exclude or terminate any provider who has been determined to have furnished supplies and services which were substantially in excess of the needs of individuals, or to be harmful to individuals, or to be of a grossly inferior quality.

CHAMPUS reimbursement, under the DoD CHAMPUS Regulations, is also denied to any such provider listed by HHS. In cases where CHAMPUS payments are made directly to the beneficiary, reimbursement will be denied for services rendered by the listed providers.

CHAMPUS may pay claims for otherwise covered services or supplies provided to the beneficiary by the provider who was suspended, excluded or terminated within seven days of the beneficiary notification. In this case, payment will be made directly to the beneficiary (or sponsor).

### To \$5.50 Per Day MILITARY HOSPITAL AND CHAMPUS COSTS UP

Effective October 1, 1980, the dependent rate for inpatient care at Military hospitals will increase to \$5.50 per day. This charge is applicable to dependents of active duty members, dependents of retirees and to surviving dependents of deceased members. The previous charge was \$5.00 per day.

This change also affects CHAMPUS, since by law the inpatient cost-share for spouses and children of active duty members is based on the charge at Military hospitals. Therefore, also effective October 1st, these individuals will be required to pay \$5.50 per day or \$25.00, whichever is greater.

This change does not affect CHAMPUS cost-sharing requirements for retirees, dependents of retirees or surviving spouses and children of deceased members. The law provides that these beneficiary categories are responsible for 25% of the reasonable cost/charges for both inpatient and outpatient services--with the Government cost sharing 75%.

### Well Baby Care, Increased Assistance for Handicapped DOD AUTHORIZATION ACT IMPROVES CHAMPUS BENEFITS

Department of Defense officials announced that the 1981 DoD Authorization Act, signed by the President on September 9, 1980, provides for improved CHAMPUS benefits in two areas for eligible dependents of active duty service members.

The Act authorizes CHAMPUS to share the cost of "Well Baby Care"--routine physical examinations and immunizations--for children of active duty service members, up to two (2) years of age.

Since Well Baby care involves outpatient services, any active duty family may elect to go to a civilian physician to obtain such care for their child, whether or not they reside close to a Military facility. "Realistically, however," stated John H. Moxley, III, M.D., Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs), "this new benefit will be particularly helpful to those active duty families who are stationed where they do not have access to this care at a Uniformed Service medical facility. These families can now receive CHAMPUS benefits for these services."

In addition to the Newborn examination, PKU test and newborn circumcision, which are now covered under CHAMPUS, the Well Baby Care benefit will cover the following services rendered by the attending pediatrician or family physician to a child up to two years of age:

1. History, physical examination, discussion and counseling.
2. Vision, hearing and dental screening, developmental appraisal.
3. Immunizations (i.e., DPT, polio, measles, mumps, Rubella).
4. Tuberculin Test, Hematocrit or Hemoglobin, Urinalysis.

Whether Well Baby Care is provided in a Military facility or from civilian physicians, Doctor Moxley urged all Military families to see to it that their children receive this care. "The first two years of a child's life are extremely important in assuring his or her long term good health," he said.

Well Baby Care was previously specifically excluded by statute for all categories of beneficiaries. It continues to be excluded under CHAMPUS except for children of active duty members, up to two (2) years of age.

As an outpatient service, Well Baby Care is subject to the annual fiscal year CHAMPUS outpatient deductible and the beneficiary's 20% cost sharing.

Also included in the Act is a provision for increased financial assistance to active duty members for the care of a spouse or child who is seriously physically handicapped or moderately or severely mentally retarded and receiving benefits under the CHAMPUS Program for the Handicapped (PFTH).

The monthly CHAMPUS share of covered expenses under the Program for the Handicapped was increased from a maximum of \$350 to \$1,000. The other provisions of the PFTH remain the same. The "up front" deductible, ranging from \$25.00 to \$250.00 per month depending upon the sponsor's rank, is still in effect. Also, any monthly costs beyond the initial deductible and the Government's \$1,000 benefit payment would still be the responsibility of the sponsor.

"This increased monthly payment is a substantial benefit improvement," noted Doctor Moxley. "It recognizes the significant increases in costs for maintaining a handicapped individual that have occurred since the Program for the Handicapped started in 1966."

The Well Baby Care and Handicapped Program improvements are effective with services and supplies rendered on and after 1 October 1980--the beginning of Fiscal Year 1981.

I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Capt. Charles H. Nixon from NOAA Ship DISCOVERER to Office of the NOAA Corps.  
(30 November 1980)

Cdr. Richard E. Newell from Office of Public Affairs to NOS, NOAA Ship  
DISCOVERER as Executive Officer. (1 July 1981)

Lt. Cdr. Russell C. Arnold from NOS, National Geodetic Survey to NOS, NOAA  
Ships RUDE and HECK as Executive Officer. (15 July 1981)

Lt. Thomas L. Meyer from NMFS, Northeast Fisheries Center to NOS, NOAA Ship  
ALBATROSS IV as Executive Officer. (15 April 1981)

Lt. Cheryl A. Cavin from NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON to NMFS, Northwest and Alaska  
Fisheries Center, Seattle, WA for duty in the Observer Program. (30 November  
1980)

Lt. Roger A. Morris NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER to fleet up to Field Operations Officer.  
(January 1981)

Lt. Ronald W. Kimball from NOS, Pacific Marine Center to NMFS, Marine Mammal  
Laboratory, Seattle, WA. (15 May 1981)

Lt. Neal G. Millett from Office of Marine Pollution Assessment to NOS, Marine  
Surveys and Maps, Marine Chart Division, Coast Pilot Branch, Rockville, MD.  
(20 January 1981)

Lt. Michael S. Sagalow from NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL to NOS, Office of Oceanography  
at Stony Brook, NY. (1 February 1982)

Lt. David M. Goodrich from New York Bight MESA Project to NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL.  
(15 December 1981)

II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

LIEUTENANT

Dreves, Donald A. from Naval Postgraduate School to NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON.

Kimball, Ronald W. from NOS, Pacific Marine Center, Fisheries Augmentation  
to NOS, NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN.

McCann, Robert X. Jr. from NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Coastal Mapping Division  
to NOS, Aeronautical Charting and Cartography (Flight Training)

Herlihy, Daniel R. from NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL to NOS, Pacific Marine  
Center, Fisheries Augmentation on NOAA Ship TOWNSEND CROMWELL.

III. PROMOTIONS

Walter P. Latimer

LT

9/27/80

#### IV. APPOINTMENTS

Andrew J. Aldridge IV	ENS	10/06/80	Oakland U. McGill U.	BA-Biology MS-Marine Science
Steven R. Barnun	ENS	10/06/80	Louisiana Tech U.	BS-Elect. Engr. Tech
Bobby L. Coakley	ENS	10/17/80	Savannah State College	BA-Finance
Arthur E. Francis	ENS	10/06/80	U. of South Florida	BA-Geology
Cynthia A. Johnson	ENS	10/06/80	U. of Vermont	BA-Zoology
Michael R. Mathwig	ENS	10/07/80	Clarkson College of Tech	BS-Civil/Envir. Engr.
James R. Morris	ENS	10/06/80	State U. of New York	BS-Biology
Robert H. Pingry	ENS	10/04/80	U. of Wisconsin	BS-Civil/Envir. Engr.
Dennis A. Seem	LTJG	10/06/80	George Washington U. East Carolina U.	BS-Physics BA-Math
Elizabeth A. Steigerwald	ENS	10/06/80	Worcester Polytechnic Inst.	BS-Environmental Engr.
Frank A. Wood	ENS	10/06/80	California State U., Long Beach	BS-Marine Biology

#### V. RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS APPROVED

Retirements

None

Resignations

None

#### VI. RETIREMENTS

None

#### VII. RESIGNATIONS

Darryl J. Williams	ENS	10/10/80
Cynthia A. Johnson	ENS	10/15/80
James F. McGough, Jr.	LTJG	20/31/80
Floyd Childress II	LCDR	10/31/80

#### VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO LINEAL LIST

None

#### IX. ON BOARD STRENGTH AS OF 1 NOVEMBER 1980 - 375

NEW PAY SCALE - Effective October 1, 1980

MONTHLY BASIC PAY AND ALLOWANCES OF COMMISSIONED OFFICERS, NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION<sup>1</sup>

GRADE RANK	2 OR LESS	CUMULATIVE YEARS OF SERVICE										QUARTERS ALLOWANCE <sup>2</sup>					
		OVER 2	OVER 3	OVER 4	OVER 6	OVER 8	OVER 10	OVER 12	OVER 14	OVER 16	OVER 18	OVER 20	OVER 22	OVER 26	NO DEPENDENTS	WITH DEPENDENTS	PARTIAL
0-9 VADM	\$3494.40	3586.20	3662.40	-	-	3755.70	-	3911.70	-	4238.10*	-	4562.70*	-	4889.10*	427.80	535.20	50.70
0-8 RADMUH	3165.00	3259.80	3337.20	-	3586.20	-	3755.70	-	3911.70	4081.50	4238.10*	4407.90*	-	-	427.80	535.20	50.70
0-7 RADMLH	2629.80	2808.90	-	-	2934.60	-	3105.00	-	3259.80	3586.20	3832.50	-	-	-	427.80	535.20	50.70
0-6 CAPT	1949.40	2142.00	2281.80	-	-	-	-	2359.20	2732.70	2872.50	2934.60	3105.00	3367.50	384.00	468.60	39.60	
0-5 CDR	1559.10	1830.90	1957.20	-	-	2016.90	2124.90	2267.10	2436.90	2577.00	2654.70	2747.40	-	354.00	426.30	33.00	
0-4 LCDR	1314.30	1599.90	1707.00	-	1738.20	1815.60	1939.20	2048.40	2142.00	2235.60	2297.70	-	-	315.30	380.40	26.70	
0-3 LT	1221.30	1365.30	1459.50	1614.90	1692.00	1753.20	1847.40	1939.20	1986.90	-	-	-	-	277.20	342.00	22.20	
0-2 LTJG	1064.70	1163.10	1397.10	1444.20	1474.20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	240.60	304.50	17.70	
0-1 ENS	924.30	962.10	1163.10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	187.80	244.50	13.20	

\*Basic Pay is limited to \$4176 by level V of the executive schedule

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS WHO HAVE BEEN CREDITED WITH OVER 4 YEARS ACTIVE SERVICE AS ENLISTED MEMBER

PAY GRADE	2 OR LESS	CUMULATIVE YEARS OF SERVICE										QUARTERS ALLOWANCE <sup>2</sup>					
		OVER 2	OVER 3	OVER 4	OVER 6	OVER 8	OVER 10	OVER 12	OVER 14	OVER 16	OVER 18	OVER 20	OVER 22	OVER 26	NO DEPENDENTS	WITH DEPENDENTS	PARTIAL
0-3	-	-	-	1614.90	1692.00	1753.20	1847.40	1939.20	2016.90	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0-2	-	-	-	1444.20	1474.20	1521.00	1599.90	1661.40	1707.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0-1	-	-	-	1163.10	1242.30	1283.20	1334.70	1381.20	1444.20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1 Pay Scale became effective by Executive Order, October 1, 1980

2 Paid to members without dependents who are in government quarters or on sea duty. Member married to another member of the Uniformed Services who does not occupy family government quarters also receive the partial rate while on sea duty or single government quarters.

MONTHLY INCENTIVE PAY FOR HAZARDOUS DUTY (Other than Flight Pay)

GRADE RANK	2 OR LESS	CUMULATIVE YEARS OF SERVICE										QUARTERS ALLOWANCE <sup>2</sup>				
		OVER 2	OVER 3	OVER 4	OVER 6	OVER 8	OVER 10	OVER 12	OVER 14	OVER 16	OVER 18	OVER 20	OVER 22	OVER 26	NO DEPENDENTS	WITH DEPENDENTS
0-6 CAPT	\$200.00	-	215.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	220.00	245.00	-
0-5 CDR	190.00	-	205.00	-	-	-	-	210.00	225.00	230.00	245.00	-	-	230.00	245.00	-
0-4 LCDR	170.00	-	185.00	-	-	195.00	210.00	215.00	220.00	230.00	240.00	-	-	230.00	240.00	-
0-3 LT	145.00	-	155.00	165.00	180.00	185.00	190.00	200.00	205.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0-2 LTJG	115.00	125.00	150.00	-	160.00	165.00	170.00	180.00	185.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0-1 ENS	100.00	105.00	135.00	-	140.00	145.00	155.00	160.00	170.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

SUBSISTENCE - \$82.58

SPECIAL PAY - DIVING DUTY

\$110.00 per month, all grades, for authorized Scuba Diving.



# NOAA CORPS BULLETIN

OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

### FAREWELL

For ten years I have shared the pain and the pleasure of individual officers of the Corps and of the Corps itself. This has been a totally rewarding assignment. It has had its share of frustrations and its share of the better things as well. We have tried to build the concept of a NOAA Corps, sometimes working against human reactions that seemed almost insurmountable. The Corps is now well established as an institution, and its members are recognized as valuable assets of NOAA. This is a tribute to the substantial demonstrated worth of the officers and the supporting staff.

I have always considered the Corps to consist not only of the active officers (and staff) but the dependents, retired officers and families, and even former officers. We have some responsibility to each group. The roster of former and retired officers is far larger than the active duty list. These people represent a substantial body of sympathetic and supportive taxpayers. I hope that we have been of adequate assistance to them.

It will not be possible to visit, or even write, to all of you who have been impacted by our efforts. Please accept this as a personal thanks for your cooperation and service, and as my best wishes to you in whatever you are doing. Thanks.

### SELECTION OF FLAG OFFICER

The process of selecting NOAA Corps Admirals has historically involved consultations between senior Corps officers and officials of the NOAA Administrator's office. Both NOAA Administrators have reserved the right to approve these selections. This year the process was somewhat more structured than before. The NOAA Corps Task Force has suggested that we explain the process and institutionalize it for the guidance of those who must make other selections in the future.

When it was determined that flag vacancies would occur, the Director, NOAA Corps, and the Deputy Administrator agreed on an appropriate process, which was ratified by the NOAA Executive Resources Board. The Deputy Administrator then appointed two separate committees to make recommendations for the two positions, each committee to operate independently.

The committee to select the Director, NOAA Corps, consisted of the Deputy Administrator, the Associate Administrator, the Assistant Administrator (OAS), the Director (NOS), and the Director, NOAA Corps.

The committee to select the Director, Pacific Marine Center, consisted of the Assistant Administrator (OAS), the Deputy Assistant Administrator (RD), the Director, (NOS), the Associate Director, Office of Marine Operations, and the Director, NOAA Corps.

Each committee established criteria for the job under consideration and a list of desired personal attributes. Each member of both committees then reviewed the official personnel files of all potential candidates, rating the candidates against the accepted criteria. Summaries of the files were also presented to the committee by the Commissioned Personnel Division in the form of worksheets. Each member weighed the various factors independently and produced numerical results. A summary matrix was then prepared to organize the discussion. In each case a ranking of candidates was produced by consensus. Some names obviously appeared on both lists.

This process was paralleled by two separate studies requested by the Director, NOAA Corps. All NOAA Admirals were independently requested to make recommendations, based on criteria, of their own, and all Captains were invited to participate in a peer evaluation.

With this information, the Deputy Administrator, Associate Administrator, Assistant Administrator, and the Director, NOAA Corps, reviewed each list of candidates and indicated a preference. These lists were submitted to the Administrator, who interviewed most of the candidates before adopting the recommendations made to him.

The Director, NOAA Corps, nominee was submitted to the President through the Secretary of Commerce. This nomination was forwarded to the Senate, but may require resubmittal to the new President if action is not completed there before adjournment. The Director, Pacific Marine Center, was immediately given a promotion to the grade of Rear Admiral (lower half) under authority delegated to the Director, NOAA Corps.

This process was designed to be open, balanced, non-parochial, and thorough. The systematic involvement of non-Corps officials was a guarantee that the results would pass the test of impartiality. These results now speak for themselves.

#### SEASON'S GREETINGS

The Director and members of the NOAA Corps staff wish you all the merriest of holidays and a happy new year.

Since this is the last holiday season we will share with R. Adm. Nygren, as Director of the NOAA Corps, we wish to extend to him and his family a very special greeting.

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Commander Theodore Wyzewski was presented a Navy Commendation Medal by the Secretary of the Navy, for meritorious service as NOAA Exchange Officer to the Director, Naval Oceanography Division/Oceanographer of the Navy, from Feb. 1979 to Sept. 1980.

Commander Wyzewski also received a Certificate of Commendation for having completed 20 months of service on board in the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, and for his diligence and service.

Commander Walter F. Forster, II received a Letter of Commendation from R. Adm. Harley D. Nygren for his performance and deportment while Officer-In-Charge of the NOAA Officer Training Center. He diligently and effectively administered this program, producing a fine quality of graduate, while holding to the high standards of operation we must have.

Commander Merritt N. Walter, Lieutenant Thomas G. Russel, and Lieutenant Kenneth M. Holden II, were awarded Department of Commerce Silver Medals for demonstrating extraordinary competence in participating in the rescue of an elderly woman from the Elizabeth River near the docks of the NOAA Atlantic Marine Center, Norfolk, VA. Lt. Russell organized the rescue, Lt. Holden immediately started cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and Cdr. Walter assisted in CPR routine. The Medals were awarded by the Secretary of Commerce on November 6, 1980, at the Thirty-Second Annual Honor Awards Program of the Department of Commerce.

Lt. Roddy J. Swope received a Sustained Superior Performance Award and Cash Award for his outstanding performance while assigned to the Juneau Project Office. He was assigned as junior member of the operations and logistics staff. Shortly thereafter, the senior member of the group was transferred and Lt. Swope was required to immediately assume the larger role. He carried out all of his responsibilities with OCSEAP in an efficient and very satisfactory manner.

## ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - NMFS, Southeast Fisheries Center, Beaufort Laboratory, Beaufort, NC

Rank: Lt (jg) - Lt. - Lt. Cdr.

### Introduction

This assignment is at the National Marine Fisheries Service, Southeast Fisheries Center's Beaufort Laboratory, Beaufort, NC. The incumbent serves as a scientific member of the Laboratory's Ecology Division, which has as its mission to "conserve, enhance, and restore fisheries habitats" as directed by the Fisheries Conservation and Management Act of 1976 (SEC 304C), the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972, and the National Ocean Pollution Research, Development and Monitoring Planning Act of 1978.

### Duties and Responsibilities

The officer will serve as a team member in the Structure and Function of Estuarine and Coastal Ecosystems Branch, which conducts research to determine the interrelation

between fishery organisms and their food sources in different estuarine and near-shore habitat types. The data collected are utilized to predict the impacts of habitat alteration and degradation on fishery productivity.

The officer's primary areas of responsibility will involve assisting in both laboratory and field oriented research and data analysis, and requires a background in biological sciences and statistical analysis. Studies will center around habitat utilization and the interaction of fishery organisms and their food sources (e.g., invertebrates, plants, detritus or bacteria). Depending on qualifications, the officer's duties also may offer the opportunity to design and conduct independent research within the goals of the Branch. There will be a high degree of interaction with the other two Branches in the Division.

The officer will work under the general supervision of the Branch Leader, but will exercise a large measure of independent responsibility.

#### Career Benefits

This billet is intended as a career development step for a mid-level fisheries-oriented officer.

#### Qualifications

Preferred qualifications are academic background in biological science and a familiarity with chemistry. Skill in oral and verbal communication and in computer science is desirable.

#### Contact

For further information call Lt. (jg) Pete Stangl, FTS 634-7434.

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Assignment Opening - NMFS, Southeast Fisheries Center, Beaufort Laboratory,  
Beaufort, NC

Rank: Lt. (jg) - Lt. - Lt. Cdr.

#### Introduction

This assignment is at the National Marine Fisheries Service, SEFC, Beaufort Laboratory, Beaufort, NC, as a scientific member in the Ecology Division. The mission of this Division is to "conserve, enhance and restore fisheries habitats" as directed by the Fisheries Conservation and Management Act of 1976 (SEC 304c), the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 and the National Ocean Pollution Research and Development Monitoring Planning Act of 1978.

#### Duties and Responsibilities

This billet is with the Chemical Pollutants Branch of the Division of Ecology. The Branch conducts laboratory and field research on the aquatic chemistry, cycling, bioaccumulation and toxicity of trace metals to marine and backish water organisms. The officer's primary areas of responsibility will involve assisting in both laboratory

and field oriented research, and will require a background in chemistry as well as the biological sciences. Depending upon qualifications, the officer's duties may also offer an opportunity for designing and conducting independent research within the context of the goals of the Branch. There will be a high degree of interaction with the other two Branches within the Division.

The officer will work under the general supervision of the Branch Leader, but will exercise a large measure of independent responsibility.

#### Career Benefits

This billet is intended as a career development step for a mid-level chemically-oriented officer.

#### Qualifications

Preferred qualifications include an academic background in chemistry and biology. Skill in oral and verbal communication is desirable.

#### Contact

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#### Duties and Responsibilities

This billet is in the Environmental Effects Branch of the Division. This Branch conducts field and laboratory research to determine the effects of both natural and man-induced factors on the survival of marine and estuarine fish. The officer's primary areas of responsibility will be in planning and coordinating research cruises to collect larval fish and their food organisms and in arranging for the samples collected on these cruises to be sorted and the data computerized. There will be a high degree of interaction with the other two Branches in the Division. Depending on background qualifications, other laboratory responsibilities (i.e., experiments work) will be assigned.

The officer will work under the general supervision of the Branch Leader but will exercise a large measure of independent activity.

## Career Benefits

This billet is intended as a career development step for a mid-level fisheries-oriented officer.

## Qualifications

Preferred qualifications include a tour on a NOAA fisheries research vessel, experience with fishing gear and an academic background in biology. Skill in oral and verbal communication and in computer science is desirable.

## Contact

For further information call Lt. (jg) Pete Stangl, FTS 634-7434

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Assignment Opening - NOAA, Wave Propagation Laboratory  
Meteorological Radar Program Area  
Boulder, CO

Rank: Lt. (jg) - Lt. - Lt. Cdr.

## Introduction

This position is located at the NOAA Wave Propagation Laboratory in Boulder, Colorado. It is with the Meteorological Radar Program Area that conducts observational programs in the areas of storm research, cloud physics and the planetary boundary layer. This billet is for an officer with meteorological experience. Some familiarity with radar and the interpretation of weather events displayed on radar scopes would be useful. Degrees in meteorology, physics, or engineering are acceptable.

## Duties

The Meteorological Radar Program of the Wave Propagation Laboratory at Boulder, Colorado has conducted a variety of field experiments with its pair of identical X-band, pulse-Doppler radars. These radars are usually separated by 10's of kilometers so that complex wind patterns in the lower atmosphere can be observed from two different angles. This method has been used in past experiments to observe wind fields within severe storms in northeast Colorado, orographic storms in the Sierras, the urban boundary layer at St. Louis, and the daytime boundary layer near Boulder. Presently, a K-band pulse-Doppler radar with dual polarization capability is being constructed and will be used with the two X-band radars in a major field program in eastern Montana during the summer of 1981. Plans call for these three radars to be used again in Florida during 1983. These two programs are intended to improve our knowledge of the physical processes taking place in the atmosphere prior to and during convective storms. These measurements will allow an assessment of the prospects for weather modification to enhance precipitation.

During these field programs and also during local experiments of smaller scope the officer will operate one of the radars under the direction of an experiment operations director. Directions usually will be given by radio; the officer will be expected to give accurate reports and meteorological interpretations of weather events as displayed on radar scopes. Between experimental periods, the officer will assist in processing and interpreting data collected from past experiments.

## Supervision

The officer will work under the supervision of a project scientist in the Meteorological Radar Program Area of the Wave Propagation Laboratory.

## Contact

For further information regarding this position please contact: Dr. Earl E. Gossard, Chief of the Meteorological Radar Program Area, Wave Propagation Laboratory, 325 Broadway, Boulder Colorado 80303, phone (303) 497-6239.

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Meteorological Radar Program Area  
Boulder, CO

Rank: Lt. (jg) - Lt. - Lt. Cdr.

## Introduction

This position is located at the NOAA Wave Propagation Laboratory in Boulder, Colorado. It is with the Meteorological Radar Program Area that conducts observational programs in the areas of storm research, cloud physics and the planetary boundary layer. This billet is for an officer with some experience in microwave-radar. Some familiarity with meteorology and the interpretation of weather events from radar scopes would be useful. Degrees in engineering or physics are acceptable.

## Duties

The Meteorological Radar Program of the Wave Propagation Laboratory at Boulder, Colorado, has conducted a variety of field experiments with its pair of identical X-band, pulse-Doppler radars. These radars are usually separated by 10's of kilometers so that complex wind patterns in the lower atmosphere can be observed from two different angles. This method has been used in past experiments to observe wind fields within severe storms in northeast Colorado, orographic storms in the Sierras, the urban boundary layer at St. Louis, and the daytime boundary layer near Boulder. Presently, a K-band pulse-Doppler radar with dual polarization capability is being constructed and will be used with the two X-band radars in a major field program in eastern Montana during the summer of 1981. Plans call for these three radars to be used again in Florida during 1983. These two programs are intended to improve our knowledge of the physical processes taking place in the atmosphere prior to and during convective storms. These measurements will allow an assessment of the prospects for weather modification to enhance precipitation.

Although the arrangements for radar site preparation are already in progress for the Montana experiment, duties will generally include contacting landowners to gain permission for the use of land and making arrangements with power and telephone companies before an experiment. During the experiment the officer will operate one of the radars under the direction of an experiment operations director. Directions usually will be given by radio; the operator must be able to recognize equipment malfunctions and make the appropriate repairs.

Between experimental periods, the officer will be involved with maintenance and upgrading of the radars, learning the radar systems, and assisting in short duration testing and observations in the Boulder area.

### Supervision

The officer will work under the supervision of one of the engineers in the Meteorological Radar Program Area or a project scientists.

### Contact

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### Introduction

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### Duties

The Meteorological Radar Program of the Wave Propagation Laboratory at Boulder, Colorado, has conducted a variety of field experiments with its pair of identical X-band, pulse-Doppler radars. These radars are usually separated by 10's of kilometers so that complex wind patterns in the lower atmosphere can be observed from two different angles. This method has been used in past experiments to observe wind fields within severe storms in northeast Colorado, orographic storms in the Sierras, the urban boundary layer at St. Louis, and the daytime boundary layer near Boulder. Presently, a K-band pulse-Doppler radar with dual polarization capability is being constructed and will be used with the two X-band radars in a major field program in eastern Montana during the summer of 1981. Plans call for these three radars to be used again in Florida during 1983. These two programs are intended to improve our knowledge of the physical processes taking place in the atmosphere prior to and during convective storms. These measurements will allow an assessment of the prospects for weather modification to enhance precipitation.

These radar systems generate enormous quantities of data that must be reduced and displayed. Many analysis routines have been written but, as is common in a research environment, these routines are constantly being modified. In addition, the radars themselves are under computer control and these programs also require support and maintenance.

The Meteorological Radar Group of the Wave Propagation Laboratory of NOAA operates six Data General Computers, three NOVA 2's, a NOVA 3, a NOVA 4, and an Eclipse to fulfill its mission. Therefore, an officer who will perform the following tasks is needed:

1. Maintain current and compatible operating systems on all computers. The computers run under the Data General Systems DOS and RDOS. This task also includes normal computer operations administrative functions such as ordering and maintaining supplies, coordinating with hardware vendor service personnel, assisting users with operations procedure and maintaining appropriate accountability records.
2. Provide operations support. This task requires facilitating the use of our computers by members of the scientific, technical and junior (student) staff. The officer will be responsible for supplying training (when needed) and advice on the use of the various operating systems. The officer will also supply advice and support in the particular areas of Data General Fortran and on the real-time, multi-tasking system environment.
3. Provide application programming support. This task will involve the development of specific applications programs at the direction of the scientific staff. The programming language will be Fortran, with occasional assembly language subroutines where required. The officer will be responsible for determining the specifications for these programs in close consultation with the scientific staff, and for creating and maintaining documentation on the programs.

This task also includes assembling and maintaining a documentation library of our currently operational programs.

#### Supervision

The officer will work under the supervision of a project scientist.

#### Contact

For further information regarding this position please contact: Dr. Earl E. Gossard, Chief of the Meteorological Radar Program Area, Wave Propagation Laboratory, 325 Broadway, Boulder, Colorado 80303, phone (303) 497-6239.

#### LIEUTENANT COMMANDER PROMOTION EXAMINATIONS

Approximately 7 months before an officer is eligible for consideration for promotion to the grade of lieutenant commander, the Commissioned Personnel Division sends that officer a letter prescribing the type of examination required by the Officer Personnel Board. Some officers, for a variety of reasons, have requested that their letters be sent earlier than the 7 months. The purpose of this article is to inform all lieutenants nearing promotion eligibility (promotion control date plus 6 years) that any request for an early examination will be approved.

## CHAMPUS NEWS

### New Year for CHAMPUS Deductible

October 1 marked the start of a new year for CHAMPUS outpatient deductibles.

A deductible satisfied during FY 1980 (October 1, 1979, through September 30, 1980) cannot be applied to care received after September 30. A new outpatient deductible will have to be satisfied for FY 1981.

The outpatient deductible is the initial amount a beneficiary must pay each fiscal year before CHAMPUS' cost sharing is available for outpatient expenses, such as a physician's services and outpatient care in a hospital. For an individual, it is the first \$50 of authorized outpatient charges in a fiscal year. For a family of two or more beneficiaries filing claims, the maximum deductible in a fiscal year is \$100.

### Deadline Nears for Submitting 1979 CHAMPUS Claims

December 31, 1980, is the deadline for submitting 1979 claims under CHAMPUS. Any claim for care received between January 1, 1979, and December 31, 1979, that is not submitted by the deadline cannot be paid.

The deadline for submitting a CHAMPUS claim is the last day of the calendar year following the calendar year in which a service or supply was provided. It is recommended, however, that claims be filed promptly--as soon as possible after the service or supply is provided.

### For Charges Less Than \$15.00

#### Take-Home Drugs An Inpatient Benefit Under CHAMPUS

Drugs and medication provided by a hospital for use beyond the hospital stay will now be cost-shared by CHAMPUS under the same rates as hospital care. A limit of \$15.00 has been set, to restrict the benefit to cover only an amount of drugs and medication considered sufficient to facilitate the patient's transition from hospital to home--"take home" drugs.

The new policy, which took effect September 29, 1980, means reduced costs for beneficiaries in many cases:

-- For dependents of active duty members, CHAMPUS will share all costs of authorized take-home drugs that do not exceed \$15.00 since they will be included in the \$5.50 per day rate (the FY 1981 rate for active duty dependents).

-- For retirees and their dependents, CHAMPUS will share 75% of the cost (\$15.00 or less) regardless of whether or not the \$50.00 outpatient deductible has been met.

## VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - What portion of a home loan does the Veterans Administration guarantee?

Answer - The VA will guarantee up to 60 percent of a loan provided it does not exceed the maximum guaranty entitlement available to the individual. The current maximum guaranty entitlement for homes is \$27,500. The maximum for mobile homes is \$20,000, not to exceed 50 percent of the loan.

Question - If a veteran qualifies for VA education benefits under the Post Vietnam Era Contributory Program, is there a time limit on when these benefits must be used?

Answer - Yes. No benefits are payable to a veteran beyond ten years following the date of last discharge or release from active duty.

## I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Capt. Kelly E. Taggart from NOS, Office of Fleet Operations to Office of the Director, NOAA Corps, Rockville, MD (November 1980)

Capt. K. William Jeffers from Environmental Research Laboratories to NOS, Pacific Marine Center as the Deputy Director (January 1981)

Capt. James G. Grunwell, NOS, currently assigned to NOS, Office of Fleet Operations to become the Deputy Director.

Cdr. Leland L. Reinke from NOAA Ship RESEARCHER to NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER amended reporting date to report no later than 2 January 1981.

Cdr. Phillip C. Johnson from NOS, NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER to NOS, National Geodetic Survey, as Deputy Director (December 1980)

Cdr. John W. DeCoste from NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER as the Executive Officer (November 1980)

Lt. Cdr. Nicholas A. Prah1 from NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING to NOS, Program Development and Management, Program Development Division as the Chief (November 1980)

Lt. Cdr. Thomas A. Bergner from ERL, Research Flight Facility to NOS, Marine Surveys and Maps, Photogrammetry Division (January 1981)

Lt. Charles D. Mason, NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING to become the Executive Officer (November 1980)

Lt. William D. Otto previous announced reassignment to the NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER is canceled. Resignation Pending

Lt. William T. Dewhurst from NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE to NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING as the Field Operations Officer (November 1980)

## II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

### CAPTAIN

Taggart, Kelly E. from NOS, Office of Fleet Operations to Office of the Director, NOAA Corps.

Jeffers, K. William from Outer Continental Shelf Assessment Program to Office of the Director ERL as Liaison Officer.

CAPTAIN (Continued)

Grunwell, James G. NOS, Office of Fleet Operations, Marine Engineering Division to Office of Fleet Operations as Deputy Associate Director.

Nixon, Charles H. from NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER to Office of Sea Grant, University of Rhode Island.

Speer, Raymond L. from NOS, Pacific Marine Center to NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER as Commanding Officer.

COMMANDER

DeCoste, John W. from NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER as the Executive Officer.

Pfeifer, Ludvik from NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL to NOS, Marine Surveys and Maps, Marine Data Systems Project.

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

Prahl, Nicholas A. from NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING to NOS, Program Development and Management Staff as Chief of the Program Development Division.

LIEUTENANT

Cavin, Cheryl A. from NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON to NMFS, Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center's Fisheries Observer Program.

Minkel, David H. from NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA.

LIEUTENANT JUNIOR GRADE

Hiscox, William L. from ERL, GMMC, South Pole Station to ERL, GMMC, Boulder, Co.

Shepard, Andrew N. Jr. from NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL to NMFS, Woods Hole Fisheries Laboratory.

Connors, Peter M. from NOAA Ships RUDE and HECK to NOS, AMC, Coastal Mapping Division, Airport Surveys Section.

ENSIGN

Peters, Kenneth D. from NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER.

III. PROMOTIONS

None

IV. APPOINTMENTS

None

V. RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS APPROVED

Retirements

Harley D. Nygren	RADM	1/01/81
Merritt N. Walter	CDR	6/01/81

Resignations

Alan J. Pickrell	LCDR	3/31/81
William D. Otto	LT	6/30/81
Thomas G. Russel	LT	2/28/81
Charles I. Zigelman	LTJG	6/30/81
Robert D. Haught	LT	3/31/81

VI. RETIREMENTS

John A. Murphy	LT (TDRL)	12/01/80
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VII. RESIGNATIONS

MaryAnne J. Batten	ENS	11/15/80
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VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO LINEAL LIST

None

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NESS, Satellite Field Services Station, Honolulu, HI )  
NWS, Weather Service Forecast Office, San Francisco, CA ) January  
NOS, Electronic Engineering Division, Office of Fleet Operations, )  
Rockville, MD )

Office of Sea Grant, Marine Advisory Program, Division of Marine )  
Resources, University of Washington, Seattle, WA ) February  
Environmental Data and Information Service/National Geophysical )  
and Solar-Terrestrial Data Center, NGSDC/EDIS/NOAA, Boulder, CO )

NMFS, Office of Science and Environment, Resource Assessment Div. )  
Washington, D. C. ) March  
Office of Assistant Administrator for Management and Budget, )  
Facilities and Space Management Division, Rockville, MD )

Office of Program Development and Management, NOS ADP Programming )  
Branch, ADP Systems Development Division, Rockville, MD ) April  
Office of Coastal Zone Management, NEPA Compliance Unit, )  
Washington, D. C. )

NOAA Data Buoy Office, Engineering Division, National Space )  
Technology Laboratories, NSTL Station, MS )  
Processing Division, Atlantic Marine Center, Norfolk, VA )  
NMFS, Office of Utilization and Development (F/UD), Fisheries ) May  
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National Ocean Survey, Office of Marine Surveys and Maps, Marine )  
Chart Division, Chart Planning and Technology Group, Rockville )

NMFS, Southwest Fisheries Center, LaJolla, CA ) June

Naval Environmental Prediction Research Facility, Tactical )  
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NOS, National Geodetic Survey, Gravity, Astronomy, and Satellite )  
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NOS, PMC, Recruiter - Special Assistant to the Director, PCM ) August  
U.S. Navy, Oceanographer of the Navy, Naval Observatory, Wash, DC )  
NMFS, Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center, Foreign Fisheries )  
Observer Program )

ERL, Research Flight Center, Flight Operations Group, Miami, FL )  
 Systems Evaluation Div., NOAA Data Buoy Office, NSTL, NSTL Station, ) September  
 MS, NOAA Data Buoy Office, NSTL, NSTL Station, MS, Location Seattle )

Office of Coastal Zone Management, Office of Ocean Resources )  
 Coordination and Assessment (ORCA) OCS Oil & Gas Program Officer )  
 Office of Coastal Zone Management, Office of Ocean Resources )  
 Coordination and Assessment (ORCA) Marine Transportation Program ) October  
 Office )  
 NOAA Corps Opportunities at Environmental Data and Information Serv. )  
 Assistant Training Officer, NOAA Officer Training Center, Kings )  
 Point, NY )

NMFS, Southwest Region, Western Pacific Region, Honolulu, HI )  
 Ocean Chemistry and Biology Laboratory AOML/NOAA ) November  
 Ocean Acoustics Laboratory AOML/NOAA )  
 Office of Marine Pollution Assessment, Data and Information Manage- )  
 ment Group, Boulder or Seattle Location )

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None

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REAR ADMIRAL KELLY E. TAGGART

NEW DIRECTOR, NOAA CORPS, SWORN IN BY THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE, JANUARY 8, 1981

Rear Admiral Kelly E. Taggart was born in Cairo, Illinois, but lived most of his early years in Centertown, Missouri. He completed his B.S. in Civil Engineering at the University of Missouri in 1955. In the same year he joined the Commissioned Corps of the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

Rear Admiral Taggart has had duties covering a broad spectrum of NOAA's disciplines. His ship duty involved five ships and he was Commanding Officer of the OCEANOGRAPHER. In his 25 years of service his assignments have also involved photogrammetry, aviation, R&D as Operations Officer for BOMEX, headquarters duty in mapping, charting and geodesy, congressional and legislative affairs. In 1978 he received his masters degree in Public Administration and was assigned to Office of Fleet Operations as Deputy.

Rear Admiral Taggart is married to the former Jenice E. Haldiman of Jamestown, Missouri. The couple has three children: Suzanne, Brian and Ellen.

EXCERPTS FROM REAR ADMIRAL KELLY E. TAGGART'S REMARKS DURING SWEARING IN CEREMONY

" . . . . I am indeed pleased to accept this appointment to the post of Director of the NOAA Corps. Since its beginning 63 years ago, the Corps has served with a tradition of excellence in the fields of science and engineering. In recent years, NOAA's expanded missions have broadened the scope of duties for the Corps, involving us in work on many of the more pressing socio-economic and environmental concerns of the nation. Thus we have touched on problems of coastal zone management, marine environmental studies for offshore energy and mineral extraction, pollution control and fisheries management. In this respect, the decade ahead promises to bring continuing and new challenges for NOAA and for the Corps, and we look forward to that. The guidance provided by Mr. Frank and Rear Admiral Nygren in the recent review of NOAA Corps issues has given us positive directions for the future. I believe the decisions from that review will help us proceed more quickly with the integration of Corps officers into the management and administration of NOAA. Implementing these changes will be one of my first priorities as the new Director. I see it as a challenging role . . . ."

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Indeed, I am pleased to take upon the assignment of Corps Director. We are grateful for the distinguished leadership of Rear Admiral Nygren through the 1970's and extend to him and his family our very best wishes as they join our group of Retired.

I join the rank of Actives in looking forward to the challenges of the 1980's. Through your dedication and support, the high traditions of Corps service will be maintained as we pursue the missions laid before us. I also look forward to working with you individually and collectively as we develop new professional interests, improve traditional ones, and work generally toward the achievement of job satisfaction that makes the Corps the great institution it is.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Lieutenant George E. Leigh, received a Letter of Commendation from Captain John D. Bossler, Director, National Geodetic Survey, for the project report he authored for the El Centro, California, Earthquake Movement Study. It is one of the most complete and well-written reports ever submitted for an NGS project. The report exemplifies a sound understanding for project leadership, and an accurate insight for operational concepts.

Lieutenant Commander William L. Adams received a Letter of Appreciation from Roy K. Baliles, Colonel, USAF, for the article he authored which was recently published in Volume XXVII, Number 3, Winter 1980 of THE NAVIGATOR magazine. The article "Eye Over Miami" clearly expresses the good judgment, writing ability, creativity, and initiative of Commander Adams.

Lieutenant Commander Stewart McGee, Jr., received a Letter of Commendation from Rear Admiral Harley D. Nygren, Director, NOAA Corps, for his efforts in two very difficult tasks - Assignment Coordination and Affirmative Action Recruitment. His efforts in Minority and Women Recruitment have been untiring. The many contacts he has established and his encouragement of other officers in the Corps to support these challenges will assist the Corps in meeting its goals in the future.

The personnel of the NOAA Ship WHITING and the National Ocean Survey Atlantic Marine Center, were commended by Rear Admiral R. A. Bauman, U.S. Coast Guard, for the cooperation and outstanding performance shown during the Lake Huron Loran-C chart verification project which was performed for the U.S. Coast Guard.

Commander Edward M. Gelb was commended by Rex J. Fleming, Special Research Programs Office, RD, for his outstanding performance while serving as operations manager for Project STREX. He is a credit to himself, his organization, and the NOAA Corps.

A letter was received by Rear Admiral H. R. Lippold, Jr., from John L. Baker, President of Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, with a note of thanks to members of his staff who worked some very long, hard hours in the exhibit during the convention. Lt. Cdr. Arthur N. Fior was also commended for his efforts which added immeasurable to the effectiveness and success of the "How to Use Charts" seminar.

Lieutenant (jg) Samuel P. DeBow, Jr., was commended for his excellent performance while assigned to the Foreign Fisheries Observer Program at the Northwest and

Alaska Fisheries Center. He was assigned as training officer for the Observer Program and was instrumental in the training of over 250 observers for duty on foreign fishing vessels. Much of the success of the program was due to the excellent training the observers received.

Captain R. A. Trauschke, and the Officers and Crew of the NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL were commended by John R. Lund, Colonel, USA, Defense Mapping Agency, for a job well done during the recent hydrographic reconnaissance of the eastern Yucatan Channel. Colonel Lund's Special Assistant for Hydrography is of the opinion that the MT. MITCHELL work is the finest example of a truly professional oceanic reconnaissance-type survey and one which makes it possible to effectively correct existing charts.

Commander Richard R. DeRycke received a Letter of Appreciation from T. B. Owen, Roland Paine, and Gerald A. Petersen for his help in manning the exhibit at the Marine Technology Society Meeting.

#### ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - Office of Public Affairs  
 Boulder, CO  
 Rank: Lt. - Lt. Cdr.  
 Incumbent: Cdr. Richard E. Newell

#### Introduction

The Office of Public Affairs keeps NOAA employees, the news media, and the general public informed about NOAA's research and operational activities, using a multimedia approach. This function sometimes includes representing NOAA in response to natural disasters and hazardous materials spills. The Office also provides public affairs guidance to the various NOAA components, particularly in dealing with the media. The Boulder office's "newsbeat" consists primarily of the nationwide Environmental Research Laboratories and the Office of Marine Pollution Assessment, but no NOAA components are specifically excluded.

#### Duties and Opportunities

This job centers on the writing of news items and features for NOAA News, NOAA magazine, and the press. The officer's contribution in other areas, including such activities as photojournalism, article placement in commercial magazines, and public speaking, is guided primarily by the individual's interests and aptitudes. Although many writing jobs are assigned, the officer is also able to pursue NOAA-related science stories of his/her own choosing, even beyond the scope of NOAA involvement.

#### Qualifications

Experience in news writing or editing including work on a university newspaper or courses in journalism, is desirable. Writing, editing, and typing skills are essential.

### Working Environment

In addition to being the home of the Environmental Research Laboratories headquarters, Boulder is the site of the National Center for Atmospheric Research and the University of Colorado. The leading atmospheric scientists, solar physicists, and oceanographers who work here are visited by many other prominent researchers each week. These investigators come from around the nation and the world to exchange ideas and present seminars in their areas of expertise. In addition to hearing about the latest research findings from resident and visiting scientists, the officer is aided in his/her work by having access to one of the finest technical libraries in the world.

### Supervision

As a part of the Public Affairs team, the officer is supervised only to the extent necessary to assure that his/her efforts are being directed toward pre-set annual performance objectives. These objectives, negotiated at the beginning of each year, help to set the standard against which the officer's performance is evaluated. Upgrading of skills is accomplished by on-the-job training. Also, courses in journalism are available through the University of Colorado.

### Career Advantages

The officer will greatly expand his/her contacts in government and academia. A better knowledge of NOAA and other government agencies will be developed. The officer will be exposed to the latest scientific and technological advances in meteorology, oceanography, and solar physics, and will gain experience in identifying newsworthy scientific developments within NOAA, and in working through the Office of Public Affairs to announce them to the public.

Contact - For further information please contact Carl A. Posey, Public Affairs Officer, Boulder, at FTS 320-6286.

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### CAREER DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR NOAA CORPS OFFICERS IN THE GEOPHYSICAL MONITORING FOR CLIMATIC CHANGE (GMCC) PROGRAM IN BOULDER, COLORADO (Memo from Director, GMCC)

I would like to begin by saying that our organization has been extremely pleased with the NOAA Corps officers that have been assigned to our program. They have done an excellent job in managing our GMCC monitoring program at the South Pole and at Barrow, Alaska. Recently, some of the officers, after serving at the South Pole, have been incorporated into the data analysis and interpretation phase of our research group in Boulder. We feel that this is a logical continuation and expansion of the work they have started at the observatories. The work output of these officers will be published research articles in scientific journals and/or presentations at national and international scientific conferences.

Our first and continuing need will be for NOAA Corps officers to be detailed at the GMCC South Pole and Barrow, Alaska, observatories to manage our monitoring programs there. However, some of the NOAA Corps officers have expressed an interest in continuing in climate research after their tour of duty at these observatories,

and our need is such that we can surely accommodate this and contribute to their development. With sufficient training and education, there is no doubt that they can develop into professional research scientists.

Our research group would be very interested in exploring the possibilities of a career development plan for NOAA Corps officers who show an aptitude and interest in climate research. An initial step to achieve this end would be to commit a three-year tour of duty to NOAA Corps officers interested in continuing in GMCC climate research after their return from the South Pole or Barrow, Alaska. This period would allow enough time for the NOAA Corps officer to begin and complete to publication specified scientific research projects. It will also allow time for evaluation by everyone concerned as to whether the continued development of the NOAA Corps officer within the GMCC program, commensurate to his officer's rating and status, is worthwhile.

After the three-year commitment, an agreement between the officer, the NOAA Corps, and the GMCC program to continue the officer's development within the GMCC program could then be made. The officer would then return to ship duty with the possibility of conducting GMCC research and/or measurements compatible to his duties aboard ship. After ship duty, the NOAA Corps officer could then return to the GMCC program to participate in an advanced research program, enabling him to continue his career development toward an atmospheric research scientist within the GMCC program, again commensurate to his NOAA Corps rating and status.

#### NOTICE!! SPECIAL PAY

According to Title 37, a member may not receive diving pay in addition to incentive pay (flight pay). Be sure you advise your timekeeper not to claim diving pay on your time and attendance report if you are receiving flight pay.

#### PAYDAY AND ENDORSED ORDERS

Since October, a number of additional variables have been introduced into the Uniformed Services Pay System. Specifically, Variable Housing Allowance (VHA) in October and in the near future sea pay as well as a full BAQ option for single officers aboard a ship that will be in port for an extended period of time. Later Bulletins will provide the details of these latter allowances as they become effective.

Endorsed orders have to be on file at NC1 to determine the effective date of each entitlement. You need to personally insure that the number two copy of all your orders are properly annotated and sent to NC1. The receipt of these orders will not be acknowledged by NC1 due to staff limitations.

#### PAYMENT OF BACK DIVING ENTITLEMENT

Please be patient regarding payment of any back diving pay that you may be entitled to.

Payment of this back pay necessitates a great deal of research to verify your entitlement. It is being worked on and will be forthcoming as soon as possible.

Pay raises, VHA and other pressing matters have taken priority.

TRAVEL TIPS

Effective 1 January 1981, the deduction from CONUS per diem for available government mess has been reduced from \$3.45 to \$3.05 per meal.

The actual expense for available government mess in CONUS when claiming High Cost Actual Expense reimbursement has been increased from \$3.05 to \$3.10.

The add back for overseas per diem which is made after the 14% deduction per meal for available government mess has increased from \$3.05 to \$3.10 per meal.

SEA SERVICE DEPLOYMENT RIBBON

The Director, NOAA Corps, has been authorized by the Secretary of the Navy to award the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon to NOAA officers who qualify under Navy criteria.

For the initial award, an officer must have accumulated at least 12 months (30 days = 1 month) of service aboard commissioned vessels since August 15, 1974, and have deployed for at least 90 consecutive days away from home port aboard one of the vessels.

Subsequent awards will be made for each deployment of at least 90 days provided the officer completes 12 months assigned to the vessel. No more than one award will be made per deployment regardless of length.

Service prior to January 1, 1979, may be used only to qualify for the initial award.

To assist in processing, requests should be made in memorandum form to the Chief, Commissioned Personnel Division and include dates of the qualifying service and deployment, the name of the vessel(s) and the location to which deployment was made. Approximate dates should be given if exact dates are unknown.

Requests involving deployments within the last two years are to be endorsed by the CO of the vessel involved including certification that the officer, (1) was deployed with the vessel for the required 90 consecutive days and (2) was not sent TDY back to the home port. Commands should process requests after each qualifying deployment.

The ribbon may be purchased at the Navy Exchange.

Subsequent awards are indicated by 3/16" bronze stars (a 3/16" silver star will be worn in lieu of 5 bronze stars).

The ribbon is to be worn with awards of other military departments which are not accompanied by a citation. Navy regulations specify this ribbon is to be worn after the Humanitarian Service Medal and before the Armed Forces Reserve Medal. The Humanitarian Service Medal follows the Vietnam Service and Antarctic Service Medals.

# Save Money on Your Income Taxes

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Permanent change of station (PCS) moves are common for the military man and woman. On a PCS move, deductible moving expenses will probably exceed the reimbursements you will receive. With accurate records, you are permitted to deduct the excess moving expenses in addition to itemized deductions or the flat zero bracket amount on your Federal income tax form. The checklist below is designed to help you keep track of expenses by showing what are deductible expenses. Use it and you will have no difficulty in completing IRS Moving Expense Form 3903 which you file with the Federal income tax return. Paste the checklist on the front of a standard 9 1/2 x 12 inch envelope and the footnotes on the back. Keep all your receipts in the envelope. In addition, keep a diary or record showing all money spent for items or services related to the move on a day-to-day basis. You must have receipts, ticket stubs, bills, etc., for expenditures of \$25 or more.

## PERSONAL DATA

Name, Rank, SSN, Service \_\_\_\_\_  
 Reassignment Date \_\_\_\_\_ Old Duty Station \_\_\_\_\_  
 Departed Old Station on \_\_\_\_\_ New Duty Station \_\_\_\_\_  
 Arrival Date New Station \_\_\_\_\_ Days Spent in Travel \_\_\_\_\_

## EXPENSES INCURRED

Amount paid, if any, to household goods mover \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount paid, if any, to mobile home transporter \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount paid, if any, to pack/crate household goods \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount paid to ship/mail essential items needed immediately upon arrival \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost of property insurance if special policy was bought to cover property in transit or high-value items in transit \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost of shipping household pet \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Privately Owned Vehicle (POV) Shipping Costs

• Expense of driving POV to shipping agent or to port (actual expenses or 9¢ per mile) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 • Cost of meals/lodging while driving POV to agent or port and returning to station \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 • Premium for special insurance to cover damage to POV during shipment \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 • Shipping agent's fees \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 • Charges—if any—for shipping POV \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 • Agent fee to receive POV at port and deliver to you \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 • Wharfage fees, if any, at port \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 • Transportation costs if you picked up POV at port (train fare, car rental, operating cost of POV on return trip (actual expenses or 9¢ per mile)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 • Cost of meals/lodging traveling to pick up POV \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL COSTS THIS SECTION** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Personal/Family Travel Expenses

Meals/lodging for self/family from departure old base until arrival at new base (keep copies of receipts) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Transportation costs:

• Cost of driving POV\* (Use one of 2 methods below) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (1) 9¢ per mile x \_\_\_\_\_ miles (if no actual expense records kept)

(2) Actual expenses \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gas \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Oil \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Repairs \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

• Cost of commercial transportation\* \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Taxi to point of departure

Bus/train/air fare, if any \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Members and families traveling to or from an overseas tour may have incurred expenses in the following areas; if so, these should be added.

• Meals/lodging costs for self/family from departure time old base until flight time \$ \_\_\_\_\_

• Transportation costs, if any, from old base to arrival point \$ \_\_\_\_\_

• Meals/lodging costs traveling from arrival point to arrival at new station \$ \_\_\_\_\_

• Air fare costs, if any, from arrival point to new duty station \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL COSTS THIS SECTION** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*You may deduct only expenses of transportation by the most direct route. If you take leave enroute to visit friends, use only the costs that you would have paid on a direct point-to-point trip.

## Pre-Move House Hunting Expenses (See Footnote "A")

• Cost of meals and lodging \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 • Transportation cost to & from general area of new duty station \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 • Transportation cost while house hunting at new station \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL PRE-MOVE HOUSE HUNTING EXPENSES** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Temporary Living Expenses After Arrival At New Duty Station (See Footnote "B")

• Cost of temporary lodging at new duty station \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 • Cost of meals for self/family in temporary quarters \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL TEMPORARY LIVING EXPENSES** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Lease Settlement/Cleaning Expenses

• If you rented and had to pay extra money to break lease, enter amount; if you occupied government quarters enter cost of cleaning them when you moved out \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Expenses Of Selling A House (See Footnote "C")

• If you sold a house immediately before your PCS move or shortly thereafter, you may deduct certain fees. (See Footnote "C") \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Expenses Of Renting An Apartment Or House

• You may deduct broker's commissions, attorney's fees, and costs of transformers or other equipment to make your appliances compatible with the electrical system. You cannot deduct rent, security deposit, or charges for connecting utilities. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Expenses Of Buying A House

• You can deduct broker's commissions, attorney's fees, title and escrow fees, state transfer taxes, "points" (but only if "points" are not deductible as mortgage

interest). (See Footnote "C").

## CALCULATING THE GROSS DEDUCTION

• Add totals of "Pre-Move House Hunting Expenses" and "Temporary Living Expenses" sections. Enter that total or \$1,500 (\$4,500 in the case of PCS overseas) whichever is smaller. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

• Add the totals of the "Lease Settlement/Cleaning Expenses," the "Expenses of Selling a House," and the "Expenses of Renting an Apartment or House," and the "Expenses of Buying a House" sections and enter that total here. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

• Add the two total amounts above or \$3,000 (\$6,000 in the case of PCS overseas) whichever is smaller. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

• Now add the totals of the sections "Moving Expenses House hold Goods/Personal Effects" and "Personal/Family Travel Expenses" and enter that total here. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

• Add the amounts shown in the totals above marked with an asterisk (\*) and enter that total here. This is your GROSS DEDUCTION. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## CALCULATING NET DEDUCTION OR NET REIMBURSEMENT

• Enter GROSS DEDUCTION here \$ \_\_\_\_\_

• Enter Total reimbursements received from Government (per diem, mileage, travel allowances, etc.) here \$ \_\_\_\_\_

• Difference. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If the Gross Deduction is larger than the Total Reimbursements, the difference is deductible from your income on line 23 of your IRS Form 1040. If the Total Reimbursements is larger, the difference is taxable income and should be listed as "Excess Moving Reimbursement" on line 21 of Form 1040.

If you have any questions, contact the installation legal assistance office.

## FOOTNOTES

**A**—These expenses include round trip cost of travel, meals, lodging from old residence to general area of new duty station after receipt of PCS orders and before actual departure on PCS. Note: You may not deduct more than \$1,500 (\$4,500 in case of PCS overseas) for the total of your pre-move house hunting costs and the "Temporary Living Expenses" shown in the next section. See boldface section in Footnote "C".

**B**—These are costs of meals and lodging while you are occupying temporary quarters while waiting to move into permanent government quarters, a house, or an apartment at your new duty station. You may not deduct more than 30 days expenses (30 days if you were PCS overseas) even if you were in temporary quarters for a longer period. Note: The limitation of \$1,500 (\$4,500 in case of overseas PCS) applies. See boldface section in Footnote "C".

**C**—If you sold your house on a PCS move, you may deduct the broker's commission, attorney's fees, and "points" or other payment to enable the buyer to get financing. You may not deduct any loss on the sale of the house. Expenses of selling a home do not have to be deducted as moving expenses but may be used to reduce the taxable gain on the sale. However, in almost all cases, you will have a larger tax savings by claiming the expenses as moving expenses to the greatest extent possible.

**REMINDER:** You may not deduct more than \$3,000 (\$6,000 in case of PCS overseas) for the total cost of all house hunting expenses, temporary living expenses, and expenses of the sale, purchase, or lease of your residence.

## WHAT EVERY VETERAN SHOULD KNOW

### Social Security Benefits In 1981

Persons who continue to work after retirement may earn up to \$5,500 without penalty providing they are in a 65-72 bracket (the 1980 limit is \$5,000). Early retirees have a lower ceiling (for 1980 it is \$3,720); after age 72, there is no penalty at all.

An increase in benefits next July is a certainty. Whenever the cost of living rises at least 3 percent during a year, Social Security payments are adjusted upward. The 1980 increase was a 14.3 percent.

### Free Admission to National Parks For Disabled

Legislation has been enacted to permit the National Park Service to establish a complimentary lifetime admission permit to National Parks for persons eligible to receive disability assistance -- including disabled veterans -- from the Federal Government. Information is available by writing - The Division of Ranger Activities and Protection, National Park Service, Washington, D. C. 20420.

### Survivor Benefit Plan Revised

On October 10 President Carter signed S-91 into law that makes changes in the Survivor Benefit Plan.

#### Major Provisions Are:

- . Allow a surviving spouse to get at least 60 percent of his or her SBP annuity even after the Social Security offset.
- . Make the formula for determining the cost to a military person the same as for a civil servant.

Under SBP, a retiree insures that his spouse and children will receive monthly benefit checks after he dies by contributing a portion of his retired pay on a monthly basis.

#### Automatically Enrolled

A member is automatically enrolled in the program UNLESS he chooses not to be. If he decides against participation, the spouse is notified. If he chooses not to be covered, his widow gets no retired pay in the event of his death. If he decides to participate, a portion of his retirement check is deducted to pay for the benefits his spouse receives when he dies.

A retiree may participate at a range of levels and costs. The base amount ranges from \$300 a month to his full retired pay. The widow will receive 55 percent of that base amount.

Cost to the retiree is determined by the amount of coverage desired. The rate of 2.5 percent of the first \$300 and 10 percent of the remainder.

If a member receives \$600 a month in retired pay and who decides to participate in SBP at the maximum rate, the monthly cost would be \$37.50 (2.5 percent of \$300 is \$7.50 and 10 percent of the remaining \$300 is \$30).

His widow would receive \$330 a month (55 percent of \$600).

This payment is deducted from the retiree's check.

Coverage for children may be provided by SBP at an extra cost to the member. The cost is based on the age of both parents and the age of the younger child.

The children receive the checks if the spouse dies, and they would receive the checks until they turn 18 (or 22 if still in school).

The benefits are paid indefinitely to a child who is physically or mentally handicapped and unable to provide for himself, if the condition existed before the child turned 18.

The cost of SBP is tied to a member's retirement and the amount of coverage he chooses. When the retirement checks increase with the twice-yearly Consumer Price Index adjustments, so does the cost of SBP.

The widow's benefits also increase with every CPI adjustment.

Monthly payments by the retiree for SBP coverage are not counted as income. The money is not taxed until it is paid to the widow as an annuity.

#### Medicare Cost Going Up

Retirees aged 65 and older face higher charges in 1981 for spells of illness that require civilian hospitalization. The increase in average hospital costs in 1979 will require a 13.3 percent increase next year in the amount Medicare patients must pay toward their hospital bills.

Medicare's hospital inpatient deductible amount is increasing to \$204 in 1981. Patients hospitalized more than 60 days will have their share of the bill raised to \$51 per day for the 61st day through the 90th day. After 90 days, their share of the cost will rise to \$102 a day. For post-hospital care in a skilled nursing facility, the cost-share charge applied for the 21st through the 100th day will increase to \$25.50.

Question - I am a recent retiree and have applied for a federal government position. Can you explain the dual compensation law as it will affect me?

Answer - Military retirees who have started their federal civilian employment since January 11, 1979 may not receive more than \$50,112.50 in combined military retired pay and the annual salary of the civilian position. In addition, they may retain only the first \$5,746.59 of their military retired pay and half of the amount remaining above that figure. Regular officers who were employed in a federal job before January 11, 1979, are not limited to the \$50,112.50 total income, but are held to the first \$5,746.59 of their retired pay and one-half of the amount remaining.

Question - I retired from active duty in September 1975. I have never used my GI Bill education benefit. Am I eligible or have I lost it?

Answer - Under the law you are still eligible until September 1985 -- 10 years after your release from active service.

#### VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - If I encounter legal difficulties while purchasing a home using the GI Bill, will the Veterans Administration provide or pay for any legal assistance I may need?

Answer - No. VA will provide neither legal assistance nor advice, nor will the agency pay for any legal assistance a veteran obtains to deal with troubles encountered in the purchase or construction of a home.

Question - I am separated from my wife and family. I am going to school on the GI Bill. Does my wife have a right to receive part of my educational allowance without my approval?

Answer - If your wife can prove you are not adequately providing for your family she can receive the portion of your allowance paid you for your dependents. You will then receive the rate of a single veteran.

#### I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Capt. Edwin K. McCaffrey to NOS, Office of the Director (November 14, 1980)

Capt. Wayne L. Mobley from NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER to NOS as Project Manager, Shipboard Data System III, Rockville, MD (July 1981)

Capt. Archibald Patrick from NOS, NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER TO NOS, Office of Oceanography as Deputy Director, Rockville, MD (February 16, 1981)

Cdr. Walter F. Forster, II, from NOAA Officer Training Center, Kings Point, to NOS NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER as Commanding Officer (December 17, 1980)

Cdr. Ralph J. Land from NOS, Office of Oceanography to NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER as Commanding Officer (Summer 1981)

Cdr. Freddie L. Jeffries from NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR to NOS, Pacific Marine Center, as Chief, Operations Division (April 3, 1981)

Cdr. Otto F. Steffin from ERL, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory to NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR as Commanding Officer (April 30, 1981)

Cdr. Melvyn C. Grunthal from NOS, NOAA Ships RUDE and HECK to Oceanic and Atmospheric Services, Office of the Assistant Administrator (December 31, 1980)

Lt. Cdr. Andrew N. Bodnar from Full-Time University Training to NOS, Office of Oceanography as Chief, Tides and Water Levels Division.

II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

## COMMANDER

Fleming, Michael H., from NOS, NOAA Ship ALBATROSS IV to NMFS, Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center, Seattle, WA.

Forster, Walter F. II, from NOAA Officer Training Center to NOS, NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER as Commanding Officer.

Reinke, Leland L. from NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER to NOS, NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER as Executive Officer.

Grunthal, Melvyn C. from NOS, NOAA Ships RUDE and HECK to Office of the Assistant Administrator for Oceanic and Atmospheric Services, Rockville, MD

## LIEUTENANT

Dearbaugh, Bruce W. from NOS, Pacific Marine Center, Pacific Tides Party to NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER.

Clark, Edward M. from NOAA Diving Office to Southeast Undersea Research Facility (SURF), as Operations Director, Wilmington, N.C.

## LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

McCluskey, Michael from NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER to Office of Coastal Zone Management, Marine Sanctuaries Program, Washington, D. C.

Van Etten, Elizabeth from NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER to NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER.

Plotkin, Frederic R. from NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to NMFS, Southwest Fisheries Center, Tiburon, CA.

Malette, Michael from NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER to ERL, Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratories, Marine Geology and Geophysics Laboratory, Miami, FL.

III. PROMOTIONS

Kelly E. Taggart	RADM	1/1/81
Sigmund R. Petersen	CAPT	1/1/81
Kenneth E. Lilly, Jr.	CDR	1/1/81
Thomas A. Bergner	LCDR	1/1/81
Edward E. Seymour	LCDR	1/1/81
Gary M. Barone	LT	12/1/80
Paul E. Pegnato	LTJG	1/1/81
Paul D. Moen	LTJG	1/1/81
David I. Actor	LTJG	12/20/80
David L. Kummerlowe	LTJG	12/1/80
Susan J. Ludwig	LT	11/1/80
John F. Navaro	LT	1/1/81
Christopher B. Lawrence	LCDR	11/1/80
Lewis D. Consiglieri	LT	1/1/81

PROMOTIONS (Continued)

Charles B. Greenawalt	LT	1/1/81
Stephen L. Carlson	LTJG	11/1/80
Marlene Mozgala	LTJG	1/1/81

VI. APPOINTMENTS

Craig L. Bailey	ENS	12/31/80
Roslyn B. Harris	ENS	12/31/80
Sharon K. Christopherson	ENS	12/31/80

V. APPROVED RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

Retirements

None

Resignations

None

VI. RETIREMENTS

Harley D. Nygren	RADM	12/31/80
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VII. RESIGNATIONS

George J. Kuzmak	LTJG	12/19/80
Michael F. Kolesar	LCDR	12/31/80
Robert G. Mann	LT	12/31/80

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO LINEAL LIST

None

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# NOAA CORPS BULLETIN

OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Many are wondering about the process of implementing the Administrator's decisions relative to the NOAA Corps study. As many of you know, a number of his decisions directed specific actions which will require additional study and considerable deliberation to determine the most appropriate means of achieving the desired or intended result.

On the issue of integrating the NOAA Corps into a wider range of NOAA missions, I have met with the Assistant Administrator s of Fisheries, Research and Development, Oceanic and Atmospheric Services, Coastal Zone Management and Management and Budget. We are currently negotiating the issue and I look forward to positive results in the form of several new career opportunities in the near future. The Office of General Counsel is in the middle of its review of the ceiling point system and its application to the Corps. We should have a reading on this soon.

On the issue of promotion policies and procedures, I have begun working with the Officer Personnel Board and the NC staff in examining ways to achieve improvements which are best for both the Corps and for NOAA. This may take some time.

In the meantime, some of the new administration's personnel policies may override existing ones, thereby requiring a change in course for the whole effort. We as a group may certainly have to share some of the personnel reduction in strength which government is certain to experience in the months ahead. I anticipate, however, that whatever changes are necessary, the vitality of the Corps will be preserved in its service to NOAA and the Department of Commerce.

## FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR THE NYGRENS

In January, many of us in the Washington Area were honored to attend a gala retirement reception for Rear Admiral Harley D. Nygren, our first NOAA Corps Director. Nearly 350 persons participated in this splendid tribute to Admiral and Mrs. Nygren who have been an inspiration to the Corps and to the many others who have known them.

The farewell expressed to the Nygrens as they join our group of retired was truly fitting and representative of the high esteem they earned in their more than 33 years of service.

#### SOME PHILOSOPHICAL VIEWS ON THE NOAA CORPS EVOLVEMENT

This is the first of a series of articles that will explore the whys and wherefores of NOAA Corps evolvement, the progress of the commissioned officer corps as a distinct seventh uniformed service and some of the expectations of those involved. These thoughts will be presented for your consideration so let's have some feedback. What are your reactions to this kind of exploration?

Some of our newer officers, certainly the candidates who are seeking appointments in NOAA Corps, have pondered over the question, "Why a NOAA Corps?" What is the reasoning behind a special service--the NOAA Corps--performing engineering, scientific, and management functions within the framework of a civilian agency--the U.S. Department of Commerce? In one sense, we operate as professionals in a specialized administration, comparable to the uniformed medical specialists in the Surgeon General's U.S. Public Health Service. From another standpoint, NOAA Corps officers take leadership positions similar to the Coast Guard or Navy in the operation of vessels that ply our country's off-shore areas. Also, there are land surveys that are related to various survey efforts carried out by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers or the U.S. Department of the Interior.

From an historic standpoint, the molding of the NOAA Corps proceeded through a number of steps beginning in the regime of Thomas Jefferson. Earlier during the colonial period, vast numbers of vessels were lost on our rocky coasts. By mid-nineteenth century, larger numbers of both Army and Navy officers were being detached from their services to carry out duties alongside civilians in the surveying of coastal areas and in forming the "geodetic connection" between Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

Disruptions caused by transfers of large number of officers during the Civil War, the Spanish-American War, and World War I, resulted in enactment of legislation providing for the designation of civilian assistants as commissioned officers in the Coast and Geodetic Survey (C&GS) (40 Stat 87-88, Act of May 22, 1917). A distinct uniformed service was thus established. Thereafter, in World War II, those officers who transferred to the Armed Services served "under their C&GS commissions" with "proper military status."

With the formation of the Environmental Science Services Administration (ESSA) under Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1965, a significant feature in the future of the Corps was the acknowledgment that commissioned officers of C&GS would play a broader role in the expanded organization. Benefits of a commissioned personnel system, wherein professional officers with engineering and scientific backgrounds could serve when and where needed in any component of the administration, were well recognized.

Under NOAA, created in October 1970, the addition of even more program responsibilities resulted in members of the Corps assuming positions in additional activities, largely pertaining to the management of living and nonliving resources. There was the realization that broad experience gained by officers throughout the organization would contribute to better understanding of the interrelations

of its many functions while enhancing total competence. Even though the commissioned corps has undergone various changes as a dynamic personnel framework, the field corps system has continued, along with the provisions of executive development procedures similar to large industrial firms.

Over the years there have been periodic studies of the Commerce Department's commissioned officer corps by distinguished advisory bodies. Each study has offered constructive recommendations, has been complimentary, and has urged strengthening and even expanding of the Corps. In the present series of articles we will highlight ideas from these studies. Keep in mind that NOAA's broad based missions extending throughout the oceans, atmosphere and earth, entails responsibilities which require the skills of many professional disciplines in marine, atmospheric and earth sciences, and in surveying, engineering, and research. The Wakelin Commission Report of 1966 states that "a commissioned officer corps offers the best mechanism for increasing the effectiveness of ESSA in meeting worldwide responsibilities in the environmental sciences." In the recently completed NOAA Corps Staff Study, the NOAA Administrator states: "The NOAA Corps is a valuable and necessary element of NOAA, and the operational, managerial, and engineering talents of the Corps should be utilized throughout NOAA."

These are solid endorsements of the Corps as an institution. To maintain the professional and service vitality which is now recognized, we must all continue serving as Corps officers on a united front. Hopefully, this series of articles in the Bulletin will allow us all to share in a common understanding of our purpose, responsibilities and expectations, both as a group and as individuals.

#### SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Lt. Bruce W. Dearbaugh and Lt. (jg) Marianne Molchan were commended by the Commanding Officer of the NOAA Ship MCARTHUR for their outstanding performance while assigned to the Pacific Tide Party. Their innovative ideas and resourcefulness in the field has saved the Tide Party time and money, and whenever possible they worked out cooperative programs with other ships to avoid duplication and help them with any of their needs.

Members of the NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER were awarded a NOAA Unit Citation by R. Adm. H. R. Lippold, Jr., in recognition of sustained superior performance in calendar year 1980. During this time period the OCEANOGRAPHER participated in the East China Sea Experiment.

#### OFFICER PERSONNEL BOARD MEMBERSHIP (Effective February 2, 1981)

Captain William D. Barbee, Chairman  
 Captain Lavon L. Posey  
 Captain James G. Grunwell  
 Captain Robert L. Sandquist  
 Captain R. Lawrence Swanson  
 Captain C. William Hayes  
 Commander Joseph W. Dropp (Nonvoting Secretary)

ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - Environmental Research Laboratories  
Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory  
Deep Sea Physics Group  
University of Hawaii  
Honolulu, Hawaii

Rank: Lt. - Lt. Cdr.

Introduction

This position is located in the Deep Sea Physics Group of the Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory. The duty station is located at the University of Hawaii, Honolulu, Hawaii. This is a continuing billet with the Joint Institute for Marine and Atmospheric Research and will provide the officer the opportunity for educational and career development. The assignment duration is expected to be for 2-3 years. The incumbent will work with mathematicians and oceanographers toward improving our understanding of the generation, run-up and decay of tsunamis. The officer will assist in the transfer of applied research technologies into operational use in the tsunami warning system.

Duties

The incumbent's duties will be related to advanced computer programming involving development of computer codes for numerical models and applied mathematical techniques. Other duties include (but are not limited to) interfacing with tsunami warning personnel, modification of existing computer programs, maintenance of the library of computer programs, program debugging, and computer operation. Opportunity exists for participation in the scientific, as well as the technical, aspects of tsunami research.

Qualifications

Knowledge of hydrodynamics, applied mathematics, Fortran, and computer coding practices is required.

Contact

For further information call Lt. Cdr. Patrick Harman, FTS 399-0199, or (206)442-0199.

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Assignment Opening - National Marine Fisheries Service  
Office of Marine Mammals and Endangered Species  
Washington, DC

Introduction

This assignment is at the National Marine Fisheries Service Headquarters in Washington, DC, as a staff member of the Office of Marine Mammals and Endangered Species. The mission of the Office is to manage the various programs instituted under the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 and the Endangered Species Act of 1973.

### Duties and Responsibilities

This billet is within the Permits and Documentation Division where the officer is assigned administrative responsibilities overseeing the daily operations of the permit process. He insures that proper and timely reviews of applications are conducted. The incumbent is responsible for evaluation of applications to take marine mammals and marine endangered species and for advising the Chief on issuance of permits. These duties require coordination and review of various technical and scientific evaluations in addition to analysis of compliance with the Marine Mammal Protection Act and the Endangered Species Act. He is responsible for the training and supervision of a number of employees.

He is responsible to the Chief for the completion of his tasks which range from quick turnaround replies to long-term projects. He is allowed a great deal of flexibility in fulfilling these responsibilities and finding solutions to many unique situations. The officer is encouraged to provide ideas for the development of agency policy and marine mammals and endangered species and his expertise and judgment are often solicited in the decision making process.

### Career Benefits

This assignment is an ideal vantage point for an officer who wishes to broaden his management background while getting a general overview of NMFS.

### Qualifications

Scientific background in biology and/or management. Skills in written and oral communication, program planning, management and techniques of analysis.

### Contact

For further information please call Lt. Varone FTS 634-7529.

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Assignment Opening - National Marine Fisheries Service  
Southwest Region, Western Pacific Program Office  
Honolulu, Hawaii

Rank: Ens. - Lt. Cdr.

### Requirements

Bachelor's degree in biology, preferably with a specialization in wildlife or fisheries. Incumbent should be familiar with the fisheries of the Central and Western Pacific, both foreign and domestic. Knowledge of or familiarity with Northwestern Hawaiian Island and/or western Pacific fish and marine mammal species is highly desirable. Some computer experience is necessary. It is highly desirable to have a thorough knowledge of the Dec 1022 system, TECO/SOS editing, and/or experience with other PDP equipment. Familiarity with procedures and techniques used in collecting pelagic and bottom fish, and crustacean data is necessary.

### Training and/or Experience Required

Bachelor's in biology with emphasis in fisheries or wildlife.  
 Fisheries data collection: foreign and domestic.  
 Small boat handling experience.  
 Training or experience with SCUBA.

### Duties

The incumbent will be involved in three major program elements of fishery management within the Western Pacific Program Office (WPPO). These include marine mammal and endangered species management, habitat protection and law enforcement. The incumbent will be involved in assisting with the development and implementation of a marine mammal stranding and salvage network for the Central and Western Pacific. This project includes the design and dissemination of data formats and information retrieval and storage. The incumbent will assist the habitat protection program by conducting pre- and post- construction site inspections for adherence to environmental protection legislation and Corps of Engineer (COE) permit restrictions. These COE permitted activities often occur in marine or estuarine areas and inspection may require the use of SCUBA (pending NOAA certification). The incumbent will assist the WPPO law enforcement program by providing small boat handling capabilities during the humpback whale season in Hawaii. This will involve primarily operating a 24-32 foot inboard/outdrive vessel and providing other logistical assistance to the special agent assigned to the vessel. While assisting the humpback whale management task the incumbent will also undertake opportunistic censuses and behavioral observations of marine mammals. Other duties within the Program Office will include monitoring foreign fishing activity in the Central and Western Pacific, coordinating WPPO activities with the foreign fishery observer program, monitoring the status of permits and permitted foreign fishing vessels, and serving as liaison between WPPO and the Honolulu Laboratory ADP program.

### Contacts

Officers interested in this billet are requested to write to Doyle Gates or Eugene Nitta, National Marine Fisheries Service, P. O. Box 3830, Honolulu, Hawaii 96812, or call (808)946-2181).

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Assignment Opening - ERL, Air Resources Laboratories, Geophysical Monitoring for Climatic Change, Boulder, CO - GMCC Station Chief at Point Barrow, AK

The Geophysical Monitoring for Climatic Change (GMCC) program has requested an officer to be assigned as Station Chief at the Barrow, Alaska, station. The officer will participate in a training program and have similar duties and responsibilities as described below:

### Introduction

The Air Resources Laboratories are responsible for research on transport, removal and climatic interpretation of trace constituents in the atmosphere, for developing theoretical and mathematical models of atmospheric diffusion, and for con-

ducting necessary field experiments. The principal objectives of the GMCC program are to determine background levels of trace gases and aerosol particles in the atmosphere, their rates of change, and their likely effect on weather and climate. Because the background levels of many trace constituents are affected by man's activities, a further objective of GMCC is to determine the extent to which man's activities modify natural background levels, and the likely effects on climate. To do this, the GMCC program monitors such geophysical parameters as carbon dioxide, solar radiation, surface and total ozone, aerosol concentration and selected meteorological variables required to document these data. Success over short periods of time which, when compounded over years, might lead to significant weather changes.

#### Training August - October 1981

The GMCC training program for NOAA Corps officers is divided into four training activities and will be conducted at the ARL/GMCC office in Boulder, Colorado, for a period of approximately three months. Since at the end of his or her training schedule the officer will assume responsibility for the overall operation of the Barrow station, training emphasis will be placed on particular areas of responsibility and on possible problems that may arise within these areas.

##### 1. GMCC Familiarization

The officer will receive a one-week systematic briefing on the operations and responsibilities to each of the program groups located in Boulder.

##### 2. Training in Measurement Areas

This segment will provide one-on-one training with the GMCC project leaders for each measurement being made at Barrow. Included in this is:

- a. Discussion of data relevance and possible interactions with other parameters being measured;
- b. Complete instruction on instrument operation and performance;
- c. Instruction on instrument calibration, maintenance, and minor repairs;
- d. Reading and studying background materials.

It is intended that instrument training be conducted on a prototype measurement and recording system at Boulder similar to that used at the field observatories. At the completion of this segment, the officer should be a qualified observer capable of making all routine measurements.

##### 3. Advanced Training

Part of the training will be spent on advanced training as necessary for the officer's particular position and observatory. This includes operational work at the Boulder prototype station, electronics training, data acquisition system troubleshooting, and possible special tasks as necessary.

##### 4. Specific Station Training

The final training is devoted to specific station operations, logistics administration, and management requirements. Time will also be made available to allow the officer to prepare for reassignment to Barrow.

### Duties at the Station (approximately 13 months)

1. The officer will perform routine observations, calibrations, maintenance, reduction of data, etc., on the equipment used to monitor trace constituents in the atmosphere. This equipment includes a Dobson spectrophotometer for measuring total ozone, a nondispersive infrared carbon dioxide analyzer, an electrochemical concentration cell (EDD) meter and a chemiluminescent meter for surface ozone measurements, a General Electric condensation nuclei counter (GECNC), a Gardner small particle detector, and a Pollack counter, each for measuring aerosols, and Eppley precision spectral pyranometers and pyrhemometers for solar radiation measurements.
2. As Station Chief, the officer will be responsible for the administrative duties in carrying out normal station operations. This includes timely submission of detailed situation reports and monthly data reports, provide supervision, guidance and instruction to other GMCC station members and represent the GMCC program to other scientific groups at the location.
3. The officer will maintain a close liaison with various logistic and scientific support groups to insure proper coordination of GMCC activities at the GMCC.
4. The officer will operate various cooperative program instrumentation and recording systems for principle investigators outside of GMCC and provide necessary measurement documentation as required.
5. The officer shall act as an official representative of the Laboratory and shall furnish guidance to other members of the program and to other scientific disciplines in explaining the operations and goals of the various monitoring programs. He or she must be capable of making independent spot decisions in assigned tasks that may be crucial to the success of the program. He or she must be capable of operating reasonably complex mechanical and electrical equipment, using good judgment and accepting full responsibility for decisions.

### Supervision

As GMCC Stations Chief, the officer is under the general supervision of the Director, GMCC. The officer must have the physical and psychological durability to cope with the remote, hostile conditions associated with assignment in the Arctic, and the ability to work and make decisions independently.

### Debriefing (2 to 6 months)

At the completion of his or her tour of duty, the officer will return to Boulder for a formal debriefing. Time will be spent on analyzing any data peculiarities and assisting with data reduction. A report will be compiled for submission to the GMCC Summary Report. Other tasks will be assigned to complete the debriefing period.

### Following Assignment

The GMCC program also operates an observatory at Mauna Loa, Hawaii, with officers at Hilo, Hawaii. The Mauna Loa measurement program is similar to that at Barrow, but more extensive. Upon completion of an assignment at Barrow, GMCC would be receptive to a request from the officer for a following two or three year assignment at Hilo, Hawaii.

Contact

For further information regarding this position, please contact: Mr. Bernard G. Mendonca, Deputy Director GMCC, Air Resources Laboratory, 325 Broadway, Boulder, Colorado 80303; telephone (303)497-6733 or FTS 320-6733.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT, U.S. NAVAL INSTITUTE

Rear Admiral Nygren received the letter quoted below from Admiral T. B. Hayward, U.S. Navy.

"It is my special pleasure, as President of the U. S. Naval Institute, to advise you that our Regular Members have voted overwhelmingly to extend the privileges of Regular Membership in the Institute to the commissioned officers of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

"I am, therefore, delighted to convey to all commissioned officers of your highly esteemed Service, active and retired, a cordial invitation to join our more than 70,000 members in our continuing endeavors for "the advancement of professional, literary, and scientific knowledge in the naval and maritime service, and the advancement of the knowledge of seapower."

"In so extending a warm "Welcome Aboard" to all NOAA officers, I add my personal appreciation for your personal strong encouragement and support which contributed so significantly to the success of this mutual effort."

TRAVEL TIPS

The MALT for TDY travel increased from 7¢ to 16¢ per mile, effective January 13, 1981.

DEERS

Our thanks for the good response we have received for DEERS registration. At this time, we are at 58% completion. For those of you who have not registered, please remember to sign your DD1172 form before submitting it to the Commissioned Personnel Division. Keep them coming!

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - As a serviceman, how do I obtain a Certification of Eligibility for a GI home loan?

Answer - You must have at least 181 continuous days in active duty status. You then must obtain, from your personnel office, a statement of service showing all periods of active duty served honorably with no time lost.

Question - I have just been rated 100 percent permanently and totally disabled by the Veterans Administration and have applied for waiver of my military retired pay. Can I have my Survivors' Benefit Program premium paid out of my compensation benefits?

Answer - The Veterans Administration will authorize deductions from compensation for the purpose of paying SBP premiums. You must notify the Veterans Administration in writing of your intentions since the deduction is not automatic.

Question - Have there been any changes in the law regarding reimbursement for flight training?

Answer - For anyone enrolling in flight training for the first time after Oct. 1, 1980, the rate of reimbursement is limited to 60 percent of the established charges (Public Law 96-466).

Question - Does the VA provide a reimbursement for grave markers placed in private cemeteries?

Answer - The Veterans Administration pays a partial reimbursement for the cost incurred in acquiring a non-government headstone. This benefit is available for all deceased veterans who were discharged under conditions other than honorable. Effective Oct. 1, 1980, the maximum amount payable is \$59.00.

#### I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Lt. Cdr. Ronald W. Jones from NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL to NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Operations Division as Field Procedures Officer.

Lt. Cdr. Gregory V. Segur from ERL, Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratories to NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Southeast Marine Support Facility, Miami, FL, as Officer-in-Charge. This assignment will be in conjunction with present assignment to AOML, as Liaison Officer. (January 15, 1981)

Lt. Alan R. Bunn from NMFS, Pascagoula Laboratory to NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Fisheries Augmentation Pool with detail to the Pascagoula Laboratory when not augmenting. (June 15, 1981)

Lt. Michael J. Kretsch from the NOAA, Executive Secretariat to NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON. (March 15, 1981)

Lt. (jg) John W. Blackwell from NMFS, Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center to NOS, Office of Marine Service, NOAA Diving Office. (January 15, 1981)

#### II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

REAR ADMIRAL (Upper Half)

Taggart, Kelly E. to Director, NOAA Corps

CAPTAIN

Jeffers, K. William from ERL, Liaison Officer to NOS, PMC as Deputy Director.

Patrick, Archibald J. from NOS, NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER to NOS, Office of Oceanography as Deputy Director.

## COMMANDER

Johnson, Phillip C. from NOS, NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER to NOS, National Geodetic Survey as Deputy Director.

## LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

McGee, Stewart Jr. from Office of the NOAA Corps, Commissioned Personnel Division to NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER.

Adams, William L. from ERL, Research Facilities Center to ERL, AOML, National Hurricane and Experimental Laboratory.

Bergner, Thomas A. from ERL, Research Facilities Center to NOS, Marine Surveys and Maps, Photogrammetry Division.

## LIEUTENANT

Snella, Andrew from NOS, PMC, Anchorage Liaison Office to NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR.

McConaghy, David C. from NMFS, Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center to NOS, PMC, Fisheries Augmentation Pool.

Poole, Stephen L. from ERL, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory to NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON.

Millett, Neal G. from Office of Marine Pollution Assessment to NOS, Marine Surveys and Maps, Marine Chart Division Coast Pilot Branch.

Varney, E. Scott from NOS, Marine Surveys and Maps to NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL.

Latimer, Walter P. from NOS, NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER to ERL, Space Environment Laboratory, Space Environment Services Center.

## LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

DeBow, Samuel P., Jr. from NMFS, Northwest and Alaska Fisheries to NOS, AMC, Hydrographic Surveys Branch.

Ross, V. Dale from NOS, NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER to NOS, Marine Surveys and Maps, Marine Chart Division.

III. PROMOTIONS

None

IV. APPOINTMENTS

None

V. RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS APPROVED

Retirements

None

Resignations

None

VI. RETIREMENTS

None

VII. RESIGNATIONS

Alison M. Gillery                      ENS                      1/12/81

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO LINEAL LIST

None

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

I call your attention to the following article - developed by the NC staff, following discussions with officers in the field and headquarters, about maintaining officer standards in the wide variety of assignment settings into which the NOAA officer is placed.

Government Cutbacks - Your information sources are probably as current as mine but, the word is real! Funding is going to be scarce in the months to come and personnel ceilings will be reduced. Corps personnel are here to serve many programs and mobility is costly. I'm presently reviewing assignment rotation practices as well as other Corps activities which incur travel costs. Some good recommendations have been received involving regionalized assignments and changes in training practices. I would appreciate hearing more of your suggestions.

The Corps ceiling is now 380, which includes 7 FTP civilian billets in NC. With the expected lay-up of 3 ships in the FY 1982 budget, we should expect to lower our ceiling also.

The Administrator's March 10, 1981, memorandum on Anticipated Budget and Personnel Reductions, identified certain program reductions which were included in the President's FY 1982 budget proposed to Congress.

If the President's FY 1982 budget is funded at the level as proposed, the present plan is to reduce the Corps ceiling to 371 by the end of this fiscal year and to 365 in FY 1982. This will be back to our ceiling of 2 years ago.

## ADHERING TO HIGH STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

"The President of the United States . . . presents greetings: Know ye, that reposing special trust and confidence in the patriotism, fidelity and abilities of this office . . . ." What you have just read is the first few lines of your Commission. How does one gain a constant awareness of high standards of conduct and professionalism. "It is suggested that there is a one-word key to the answer among the four lofty qualities cited on every officer's Commission. That word is fidelity. As for patriotism, either you love your country or you would not seek a Commission. Abilities vary from person to person and are partly what heredity and environment have made them. But, fidelity is the derivative of your personal decision. It is the jewel within reach of every person who has the will to possess it."

Great faith, rightness of mind, influence over activities and people, and finally, personal achievement and satisfaction derive from service to the ideals of the profession, being a Commissioned Officer of the United States.

Boy! heavy, lofty words and thoughts, you think. We suggest that if you search personal experiences, you will find thoughts of similar substance have crossed your mind. In discussions among fellow officers, we often engage in philosophical discussions about the Corps and, specifically, how it contributes to the country and also to us as individuals.

Our general sense is that, as a whole, this cadre has lived up to the Agencies' and the Corps' expectation. We are selected and commissioned because of demonstrated academic and/or work accomplishments which indicated a high potential. Now we are continually under observation to see that the high standards imposed upon us by this country's leadership, representing the people, are met. An officer has to be very flexible, and during his career demonstrate, over and above the rigors of job ability and accomplishment, good human relations and a willingness to work in harmony with supervisors and contemporaries. The officer's general presentation in and out of uniform must be appropriate and reflect credibility on the service.

Let us dwell on appearance for a moment. A NOAA officer is constantly under scrutiny by fellow officers, his or her civilian contemporaries, supervisors and the public. This can, at times, present heavy pressure to conform and not to be "different." The laboratory situation is a natural to make this point. One may not be required to wear a uniform for months and adopt an informal appearance that blends in making it comfortable. One day the laboratory requires you to go aboard a NOAA ship or interact with another service. The only acceptable manner is to be in the proper uniform and make a correct personal presentation reflecting favorably on yourself and the organization you represent. This requires the flexibility mentioned previously. That is, to be able to transition from a possible informal civilian mode to a sharp, in-uniform situation. The biggest motivator is yourself, knowing that it is a part of the responsibility and is the fidelity demanded by your Oath of Office, and specifically, your Commission.

The bearing and posture of an individual as well as overall appearance should not become rigid or one-sided. The personality of the individual must find expression without relying upon the general outward demeanor. The real test of a high standard of conduct by a NOAA Corps officer depends greatly on the effect upon associates and surroundings. Regardless of whether one is in uniform or civilian clothing, the personality of the individual must project through in such a way that he or she can be viewed with respect and understanding.

Generally, NOAA officers are assigned into a wide variety of situations, lending a greater amount of freedom in personal discretion than other uniformed services. But, we should all keep in mind that the standards of bearing we have learned are still expected of us. Often, the "Senior Officer Present" in a geographic area (such as a Marine Center Director) will set the "Uniform of the Day" to be followed seasonally. Although some officers do not come under direct program or administrative control of the "Senior Officer Present," he or she should comply with the uniform as expressed for the area whenever wearing the uniform.

Certainly, when assigned to duty aboard ship, either temporary or permanent, officers are expected to comply with the protocols established by the Command.

#### SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Commander Jeffrey G. Carlen, NOAA Liaison Officer at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, was awarded the Ancient Order of St. Barbara Medal during the annual St. Barbara's Day Dining-In at Fort Sill.

The award is made for outstanding contributions to Field Artillery and is named after the artillery patron saint. It honors the recipient into "The Brotherhood of Stonehurlers, Archers, Catapulters, Rocketeers, and Gunners." Commander Carlen was presented the award by the Commanding General of Fort Sill.

Commander Carlen also received a presidential honor certificate for saving the Government \$7,456 by recommending carsonite signposts for range firing points, orienting stations and survey control points. In the past, these signs were made of metal and many were destroyed each year.

Lieutenant (jg) John W. Blackwell received A Special Act or Service Award from R. Adm. Charles K. Townsend, Director, Pacific Marine Center. Lt. (jg) Blackwell, assisted by one of his colleagues, Steve Markle, was instrumental in saving the life of an apparent heart attack victim, a security guard at PMEL, Seattle. Lt. (jg) Blackwell recently graduated from the NOAA Diving Office's Emergency Medical Technician training program.

Ensign David L. Kummerlow received a Sustained Superior Performance Cash Award from R. Adm. Charles K. Townsend for the dedication, enthusiasm, and interest demonstrated in the performance of his job.

#### ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - NESS, Earth Sciences Laboratory  
Camp Springs, Maryland

Rank - Lt. (jg) - Lt. Cdr.

Standard Shore Billet: 2-3 years

Incumbent - Lt. Craig Berg, ESL/Land Sciences Branch

#### Introduction

This position is with the National Earth Satellite Service, Earth Sciences Laboratory (ESL), Camp Springs, Maryland. ESL, a component of the NESS Office of Research, investigates the application of remotely sensed environmental data to solutions of problems in terrestrial, oceanic, and atmospheric sciences. In particular, ESL has the responsibility to: 1) Develop and demonstrate the method-

ology for the improved or expanded application of current operational satellite data, and for increased understanding of processes and phenomena in these fields; 2) Support such research activities at universities and private research organizations; 3) Participate with the university community in joint research projects; and 4) Plan and coordinate with other parts of NESS, NOAA, and other U.S. Government agencies, universities, and international groups concerning research and development activities and applications of research results. These activities are divided among three units: Land Sciences Branch, Oceanic Sciences Branch, and Atmospheric Sciences Branch.

### Duties

The officer uses all types of satellite data, including microwave, thermal-infrared, visible, and ultraviolet, from NOAA and GOES satellites, and from various NASA experimental satellites such as Landsat, Seasat, and Nimbus, to fulfill the above stated mission of ESL. The officer is expected to contribute to journal publications, and to present research findings at various conferences, to travel when necessary to support the research effort, and to make presentations to the Officer Training Classes at Kings Point.

### Supervision

The officer assigned to this billet will be under the direct supervision of the branch chief to which the officer is assigned. Although projects and activities are developed and initiated in consultation with the chief, the assignee is given leeway to initiate research corresponding to his/her interests, training, and experience.

### Qualifications

A Bachelor degree in the mathematical or physical sciences (preferably in the terrestrial, oceanic, or atmospheric science) is required. A graduate degree, while desirable, is not required. Interest and experience in remote sensing (particularly satellite), computer processing, data manipulation, and interactive systems are also desirable. The officer must have the ability to communicate, both orally and in writing.

### Contact

For further information, contact Dr. E. Paul McClain, Acting Director, Earth Sciences Laboratory.

Phone: FTS 763-8036  
(301) 763-8036

Address: NOAA/NESS/ESL  
World Weather Bldg., Room 711  
S/RE1  
Washington, D. C. 20233

### TRAVEL TIPS

Effective February 23, 1981, the Monetary Allowance in Lieu of Transportation (MALT) Rate associated with the member's option to MALT plus Per Diem on PCS was increased to 16¢/mile.

The following is a summary of PCS entitlements:

Member may receive:

A Ticket or TR + Per Diem at \$50/day\*, or  
Gov. Transportation + Per Diem at \$50/day\*, or  
MALT at 16¢/mile + Per Diem at \$50/day\*, or  
Mileage at 18.5¢/mile

\* Per Diem is based on average cost of lodging for actual travel days plus \$23 not to exceed \$50.

Dependents still may receive:

A Ticket or TR or Government Transportation or  
a MALT at 7¢/mile for adults (ages 12 and over)  
and 3½¢/mile for children (ages 2 thru 11)

You are also reminded that MALT for TDY travel including trip to and from airport increased to 16¢/mile on January 13, 1981.

Additionally, the meal time for breakfast when making deductions from Per Diem will change to 0700 on May 1, 1981.

Also effective May 1, 1981, a member receiving reimbursement by actual (high cost) expense for TDY travel will not be allowed to claim more than ½ the high cost maximum for that area as reimbursement for meal and incidental expenses.

If you are drawing VHA, you may receive a VHA survey in April. Help yourself and other service members by promptly recording the information requested and be accurate in all details. These surveys will be combined with those of other services to obtain the new rates for October 1, 1981.

#### SEA SERVICE DEPLOYMENT RIBBON

The Navy has issued new instructions concerning requirements for the SEA SERVICE DEPLOYMENT RIBBON. NOAA will follow the same requirements as Navy. These requirements are summarized below:

1. One award will be made for each 12 months of qualifying sea duty provided it includes at least one 90-day deployment.
2. No more than one award will be made for each 12-month period regardless of the number of deployments.
3. Only one award will be made for service prior to January 1, 1979.
4. Service after August 15, 1974, only will be considered for qualification.
5. A 3/16 inch bronze star will be worn for each subsequent award with a 3/16 inch silver star being worn in lieu of five bronze stars.

Once again, those wishing to wear this ribbon should submit the dates of qualifying sea duty and deployment to NC1 in memo form for approval. Service within the last two years should be routed through the commanding officer of the vessel on which the deployment occurred.

HEALTH AND MEDICAL CARE (Active Duty Officers)

The cognizant Public Health Station for non-PHS emergency care obtained in the New Jersey and New York areas is:

Director  
 USPHS Outpatient Clinic  
 245 West Houston Street  
 New York, NY 10014  
 (FTS 600-3217) 212-620-3217

The foregoing will be included in the next revision of NDM 56-52.

NOAA CORPS ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Director, NOAA Corps, and the Association of Commissioned Officers invite all commissioned officers, both active and retired, to the 64th Anniversary Celebration of the Commissioned Corps. It will be held Saturday, May 16, 1981, at 7:30 P.M., at F. F. Waters Caterers, 12205 Nebel Street, Rockville, Maryland. Wives, husbands, and dates are also invited. Dress for active duty personnel is Dinner Dress Blue; for others semi-formal. There will be a seated Dinner, Open Bar, and Dancing. Those interested please contact Lt. James Sarb, Cx3, (301) 443-8860 by May 1, 1981. Price: \$24.00 per person.

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - Has my eligibility for a Veterans Administration guaranteed home loan expired? I was discharged in 1956.

Answer - No. Loan entitlement - which is based on military service since Sept. 16, 1940, is no longer subject to an expiration date.

Question - Is the Veterans Administration burial allowance payable in cases of veterans whose remains have been cremated?

Answer - Yes. The VA burial allowance is payable for interment, cremation, and burial at sea.

I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Capt. Signmund R. Petersen from Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Services to the Headquarters, National Marine Fisheries Service. (March 2, 1981)

Lt. Cdr. Ronald L. Sellers from NOS, Office of Oceanography and NOAA, Office of Management and Budget to the Commissioned Personnel Division as the officer assignment coordinator.

II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

## CAPTAIN

McCaffrey, Edwin K. from OA/NOS, Office of Marine Technology to Office of the Director, National Ocean Survey.

Moses, Ray E. from NOS, Marine Surveys and Maps to NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER as the Commanding Officer (March 1981)

Petersen, Sigmund R. from O/A, Operations and Program Evaluation Office to the NMFS, Headquarters. (March 9181)

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

Hopkins, Robert D. from NACOA to NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL.

Sellers, Ronald L. from NOS, Office of Oceanography to Commissioned Personnel Division.

Suloff, Donald L. from NOS, Hydrographic Surveys to Full-Time University Training, George Washington University.

Jones, Ronald W. from NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL to NOS, Operations Division as the Field Procedures Officer.

Segur, Gregory V. from R/D, ERL, AOML, Liaison Officer to Officer-in-Charge OA/NOS, Southeast Marine Support Facility, Miami, FL. Note: Lt. Segur will continue to be AOML Liaison Officer.

LIEUTENANT

Tennesen, David J. from OA/NOS, Flight Edit Team to OA/NOS, Marine Surveys and Maps, Photogrammetry Division.

Poole, Stephen J. from RD/ERL, Air Resources Laboratory to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER.

Kretsch, Michael J. from NOAA Executive Secretariat to NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER.

LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

Bortniak, John C. from RD/ERL, Air Resources Laboratory, Boulder, CO. to Air Resources Laboratory, Hilo, HI.

Blackwell, John W. from NMFS, to OA/NOS, Office of Marine Operations.

Behn, Richard R. from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER to OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center, Pacific Tides Party.

Burk, Lyman from NOAA Ship DISCOVERER to NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER.

III. PROMOTIONS

None

IV. APPOINTMENTS

None

V. RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS APPROVED

Retirements

None

## Resignations

Christopher P. Hancock	LTJG	3/31/81
Lyman M.C. Burk, Jr.	LTJG	4/12/81
Stephen L. Poole	LT	6/30/81

VI. RETIREMENTS

None

VII. RESIGNATIONS

George A. DaSilva	LTJG	2/27/81
Thomas G. Russel	LT	2/28/81

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO LINEAL LIST

None

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

On Health Care - In the President's FY 1982 budget request, the administration has recommended closure of 8 Public Health Service (PHS) hospitals and 27 outpatient clinics. This may or may not happen, or it may happen in part--time will tell. In the event it does happen, PHS' present plans are to continue supporting NOAA's health care entitlements in FY 1982 through the Uniformed Services Hospitals and through PHS' Contract Care Program. There are many uncertainties until Congress acts on the matter, but we will be working toward preserving the best care possible with the situation at hand.

On Travel Reduction - In January 1981, OMB Bulletin No. 81-7 directed all Executive Branch departments to reduce FY 1981 travel. As a result, the travel allocations throughout NOAA are in a state of adjustment. We are currently reviewing Corps travel requirements with the probable outcome of curtailing some TDY and PCS movement. This will probably translate, in the long term, to slightly longer tours in a geographic area and reduced authorizations for TDY travel. We expect to preserve a satisfactory level of travel associated with training and recruiting. Everyone can help though, through the efficient planning of trips and schedules.

## IMPORTANCE OF DYNAMIC PUBLIC POSTURE

In a nation that is becoming more technologically complex on the one hand, yet more citizen-conscious on the other, the requirement for greater concern with the general public is becoming more and more important.

Therefore, the NOAA Corps officer should be able to speak well and write well and should seek opportunities for making presentations before peer groups and others. Likewise, the officer should develop the ability to give technical briefings, yet be able to speak on NOAA topics before lay people at community meetings. In addition, the officer should participate in professional societies and speak before these groups and become involved in other scientific and engineering activities. The officer is also encouraged to prepare articles for professional journals or to be delivered to learned societies.

There are mutual advantages for the NOAA Corps officers in being seen in a favorable light while advancing knowledge and understanding of the individual and the organization; Corps members benefit from these activities and associations. We should discipline ourselves to participate in these areas and encourage others to do likewise.

#### SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Lieutenant Edward B. Christman and Lieutenant (jg) Miles M. Croom received a Letter of Appreciation from S. D. Csintyan, Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Commanding Officer, USCG Air Station Kodiak, Alaska. Lt. Christman as aircraft commander and Lt. (jg) Croom as copilot of NOAA helicopter 57, responded to a request for assistance from Coast Guard helicopter 1440 at Cold Bay, Alaska. Their timely assistance was instrumental in the medical evacuation of four injured Polish fisherman from the USCGC MORGENTHAU. This was a fine example of the professionalism and cooperative spirit of "NOAA" aviators flying in Alaska.

Lieutenant Commander Gregory V. Segur, NOAA received a Letter of Appreciation from Rear Admiral K. E. Taggart, Director, NOAA Corps, for his contributions to the Sixth Annual Boating Education Seminar held in Tampa recently, and particularly for his excellent presentation to seminar participants on NOAA navigational products.

Lieutenant (jg) Eric Secretan received a Sustained Superior Performance Cash Award from Rear Admiral Charles K. Townsend for the enthusiasm and interest demonstrated in the performance of his job as a member of the NOS staff.

Lieutenant Commander Arthur N. Flior was commended by Richard D. Gilson, Department of Aviation, The Ohio State University, for his contributions and recommendations at the Second General Aviation Safety Workshop. Mr. Gilson was so impressed with Lt. Cdr. Flior that he invited him to participate in one of the seminars at the University's Department of Aviation, discussing aeronautical charting, at some future time.

Lt. Cdr. Flior also received a Letter of Commendation from Walter J. Chappas, Associate Director, Office of Aeronautical Charting and Cartography, for the support he provided in the successful initiation of the Enroute Charts contract. Cdr. Flior was congratulated for his role in providing advice, coordinating his part with the final objective, resolving pitfalls, and innovating where necessary in order to help meet the deadline effectively.

Lt. Cdr. Stephen H. Manzo, Lt. (jg) Bruce F. Hillard, Lt. (jg) Lyle B. Fox, Jr., and Lt. (jg) Michael Mallette received a Letter of Appreciation from Lt. Cdr. Gregory V. Segur, Southeast Marine Support Facility. Federal travel restrictions prevented headquarters NOS personnel from participating in the recent Miami International Boat Show. These AOML officers volunteered to staff the exhibit and therefore ensured that Marine Charting was represented.

Lt. (jg) Robert W. Maxson received a Sustained Superior Performance Cash Award from Rear Admiral Richard H. Houlder, for his performance of duties as Tides Officer aboard the NOAA Ship FERREL. Lt. Maxson contributed significantly to the accomplishment of the Tides portion of our projects in a manner which has been judged as outstanding.

Ensign Gregory Bill was commended by the University of Washington for his performance during the 1981 Bering Sea SURVEYOR cruise.

#### ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - Environmental Research Laboratories  
South Pole, Antarctica

Physical Scientist

Rank - Lt. (jg) - Lt.

#### Duties

Serves as Station Chief of the Geophysical Monitoring for Climatic Change (GMCC) Observatory, South Pole, Antarctica. This program is within the Air Resources Laboratories, Environmental Research Laboratories, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. It is the mission of the GMCC program to formulate a program of monitoring baseline levels of atmospheric constituents that influence, or are related to, climatic change. A primary goal of the program is to measure the trends and cycles of gases and aerosols over extended periods of 10 and 30 years and to determine the natural and man-made influences on these concentrations and their impact on climate. These activities form part of a larger global network incorporated by the World Meteorological Organization and the United Nations Environmental Program.

The Chief of the South Pole Observatory is responsible for the operation, calibration and maintenance of instruments used to monitor trace constituents in the atmosphere. These instruments include an ozone spectrophotometer for measuring total ozone; and electrochemical concentration cell (ECC) oxidant meter for surface ozone measurements; a condensation nuclei counter for measuring aerosols; small particle detectors; pyranometers and pyrhemometers for solar radiation monitoring and an infrared gas analyzer for carbon dioxide analyses and a nephelometer to measure the light scattering properties of atmospheric aerosols.

- Collects data and analyzes results to identify data anomalies and establish local trends at the observatory. Assures proper integration and performance of all monitoring systems.
- Maintains observatory data collection/reduction systems, including a NOVA 1220 minicomputer, digital to analog converters, signal conditioners and various interfacing components. The employee is responsible for programming the computer in BASIC and machine languages to facilitate data collection and preliminary data analysis.
- Together with the station technician, tests and evaluates new instruments and monitoring methods; makes recommendations to the Director, GMCC, for their application at any or all GMCC stations.
- Performs administrative duties required for normal operation of the station including preparation of periodic tabulation and submission of monthly data and station summary reports to the GMCC office at ERL Headquarters in Boulder, Colorado.

### Knowledge Required

Training and experience in applied science, electronics and computer systems, equivalent to a Degree in physics, computer or atmospheric science.

Knowledge of air sampling techniques, equipment operation, and the precision requirements for monitoring background levels of trace constituents.

Ability to apply knowledge of physics and meteorology to determine accuracy of collected data.

An awareness of the latest technological advances and an ability to apply original methods to solve problems not treatable by accepted methods.

### Purpose of Work

The purpose of the work is to collect data which will be used in the GMCC and world-wide effort to identify variables that influence climate or affect global climatic change. Measurements of trace constituents at levels often encountered, "concentrations in the parts per trillion range," require meticulous care to insure accuracy. Moreover, the impact of error is great; scientists of both national and international organizations base their conclusions upon observational data gathered by the four GMCC observatories.

### Work Environment

The employee must have physical and psychological durability to cope with remote, isolated conditions associated with assignment in the Antarctic environment of the South Pole. The usual work environment will be indoors at the South Pole Clean Air Facility. Instrument installation and repairs will be done in the harsh Antarctic environment and will require good physical condition.

### Contact

For further information please contact Lt. Cdr. Robert L. Penry, FTS 320-6212.

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Assignment Opening - National Environmental Satellite Service  
Satellite Field Services Station (SFSS)  
Oceanographer/Meteorologist  
Rank - Lt. (jg) - Lt. Cdr.  
Standard Shore Billet

### Description

This position is with the National Environmental Satellite Service, Satellite Field Services Station (SFSS), in Miami, Florida. SFSS's are the primary means whereby meteorological and oceanographic satellite data, and associated products and services, are furnished to NOAA and other government offices and to the public. The SFSS's are collocated with certain elements of the

National Weather Service. The Miami SFSS is collocated with the National Hurricane Center, the Miami WSFO, and the WMO Regional Center for Tropical Meteorology.

#### Major Functions of the Miami SFSS

The Miami SFSS carries out the following activities:

- Visible and Infrared Spin Scan Radiometer (VISSR) data transmissions from the GOFSS satellites are received via high quality telephone lines linked to the NESS Central Data Distribution Facility (CDDF) in Camp Springs, Maryland. The SFSS also receives Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer (AVHRR) data from the NOAA series of polar orbiting satellites, and on occasion data from NASA satellites.
- The data received are displayed, reproduced, analyzed, and subsequently interpreted and furnished to appropriate users including oceanographic hydrological, and meteorological interests. Data are displayed in several forms including movie loops which are used for analysis of the movement and development of various weather systems and surface ocean features.
- The data received at the SFSS are disseminated over high quality land lines to additional NOAA and other receiver stations in the SFSS's area of responsibility.

#### Position Duties and Responsibilities

The incumbent receives general instructions, usually restricted to the objectives and scope of the assignment, work priorities and policies or procedures, from the station oceanographer. Completed work is generally accepted as technically sound and is reviewed by the station oceanographer only for adherence to established policies and accomplishment of proposed objectives. In this context the NOAA Corps officer will assist the staff oceanographer in:

- Preparing and issuing analyses and interpretations of current oceanographic features such as the Atlantic Gulf Stream and the Gulf of Mexico Loop current based on information contained in satellite imagery and other data, identifying the location, strength, development, and movement of such systems for broadcast by the U.S. Coast Guard and distribution by other means.
- Coordinating operational support of large NOAA vessels conducting marine operations throughout the North Atlantic Ocean, The Caribbean Sea, and Gulf of Mexico.
- Developing programs for the application of satellite imagery to other users needs, such as commercial fisheries, navigation, pollution control and marine safety.
- Providing direct liaison with marine users of NOAA satellite data in the southeastern United States and adjacent waters.

- Evaluating the quality of the SFSS analyses and marine support by comparisons of data obtained by research vessels and by conventional means.
- Advising the Station Manager on the activities and needs of the marine community in the SFSS area of responsibility and recommending needed program changes and improvements.
- Maintaining an awareness of the state-of-the-art of extracting oceanographic information from satellite data, interfacing with appropriate NESS research elements and providing training to the SFSS meteorologists in satellite data interpretation techniques having direct application to oceanographic analyses and forecast programs.
- Becoming sufficiently proficient in the meteorological interpretation of satellite data to effectively carry out the SFSS operational shift duties when required.
- Performing other related duties as assigned by the SFSS Manager or station oceanographer and complying with the specific duties outlined in the local station operation procedures.
- Maintaining close liaison with fellow officers aboard all NOAA vessels in the area. Reporting any difficulties in SFSS support of these vessels and suggesting improvements in this support.
- Monitoring the technical support provided on a shift basis by a private contractor. This includes a wide range of imagery products such as motion picture loops, recorder imagery, and electronic devices.

### Supervision

The incumbent will be under the direct supervision of the station oceanographer, Miami, Satellite Field Services Station.

### Contact

For further information contact Donald C. Gaby, FTS 350-4310.

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### UNIFORM OF THE DAY

Summer uniforms are as follows:

Washington, DC Area - Effective May 4, 1981

Norfolk, Virginia Area - Effective April 27, 1981

Seattle, Washington Area - Effective May 15, 1981

Service Dress Blue (Bravo); Tropical Blue Long. Optional: Service Dress Blue (Alpha); Tropical White Long; Tropical Khaki Long; Service Dress White.

PER DIEM WORK SHEET

The last page of this Bulletin (both sides) is a Per Diem Work Sheet which may be reproduced and used to compute per diem. It is good only for the continental United States (lower 48 plus District of Columbia). The values for meal deductions and per diem change from time to time but are expected to be good through September 1981. Watch for future updates.

IN MEMORIAM - Captain Clinton Duane Upham, NOAA (RET) - April 5, 1928 - March 28, 1981

Captain Clinton Duane Upham was born April 5, 1928, in Grafton, North Dakota. He attended the University of North Dakota where he was graduated in 1953 with a B.S. in Civil Engineering.

He was appointed as a deck officer on March 16, 1953. Following his appointment, he served aboard various NOAA Ships such as the EXPLORER, PATHFINDER, HODGSON, COWIE, GILBERT, and DISCOVERER where he served as commanding officer. His other assignments included a west coast field party, the Seattle District Office, the Fredericksburg and Honolulu Magnetic Observatories, the Geomagnetism in the San Francisco Bay area and the Operations Division at the Atlantic Marine Center. In Rockville his assignments ranged from the Office of Hydrography and Oceanography to the Office of the Director, NOS, and at the time of his retirement as Deputy Associate Director, Office of Aeronautical Charting and Cartography.

Captain Upham is survived by his wife, Janice A; his children, Deborah A. Hoibrotten, Susan C., and Daniel J., Upham; and his stepchildren, Jay D., Garry W., and Lauri L. Green.

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - How much can the surviving spouse of a veteran receive from the Veterans Administration as reimbursement for burial expenses?

Answer - VA provides \$300 toward a veteran's burial expenses. A plot or interment allowance, not to exceed \$150, is also available if the veteran was not buried in a national cemetery.

Question - I would like to make a personal appearance before the Veterans Administration's Board of Veterans Appeals, but I cannot afford the expense of a trip to Washington, D. C. Is there an alternative?

Answer - A traveling section of the BVA makes visits to VA field offices. You can make arrangements for a hearing before the traveling board by contacting your VA regional office.

I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Lt. Cdr. Paul M. Duernberger from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ to the Armed Forces Staff College, Norfolk, VA (August 3, 1981)

Lt. David K. Howard from OA/NOS, Office of Marine Operations to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING (June 1, 1981)

Lt. (jg) Gary D. Petrae from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ to OA/NOS, Office of Oceanography, Rockville, MD (June 25, 1981)

## II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

### CAPTAIN

Newsom, Ronald L., from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER to Management and Budget, Office of the Assistant Administrator.

### COMMANDER

Jeffries, Freddie L., from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR to OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center, Operations Division.

Steffin, Otto F., from RD, Office of Marine Pollution Assessment to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR as Commanding Officer.

### LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

Lawrence, Christopher B., from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR to RD, Office of Marine Pollution Assessment, Sand Point, WA.

### LIEUTENANT

Meyer, Thomas L., from NMFS, Northeast Fisheries Center to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship ALBATROSS IV as Executive Officer.

Pawlowski, Robert J., from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship ALBATROSS IV to NMFS, Northeast Fisheries Center, Woods Hole, MA.

### LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

Long, James L., from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL to OA/NOS, National Geodetic Survey for Mobile Field Duty.

### ENSIGN

Francis, Arthur E., from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER.

## III. PROMOTIONS

Jim W. Conrad	LT	3/01/81
James M. Herkelrath	LTJG	2/28/81
J. Scott Ferguson	LTJG	3/01/81

## IV. APPOINTMENTS

Thomas P. Wilus	ENS	3/15/81
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V. RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS APPROVED

Retirements

None

Resignations

Michael McCluskey	LTJG	4/15/81
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VI. RETIREMENTS

None

## VII. RESIGNATIONS

Alan J. Pickrell	LCDR	3/31/81
Robert D. Haught	LT	3/31/81
Christopher P. Hancock	LTJG	3/31/81

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO THE LINEAL LIST

None

IX. ON BOARD STRENGTH AS OF 1 APRIL 1981 - 367

## CONUS PER DIEM WORKSHEET

1. Enter below those dates on which per diem is claimed. Do not include days spent entirely aboard U.S. Government vessels, days entitled to High Cost Actual Expense if actual expense is claimed, or days entitled to per diem outside the continental U.S. Be sure to include day of return to permanent station unless you are eligible for High Cost Actual Expense and claim actual expenses on that day.

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2. Count the number of days listed in 1 above and enter total at A and F on reverse side.

3. Add all lodging costs incurred on dates listed in 1 above including costs for government quarters. Do not include costs for other than government quarters on days that government quarters were available but not used. Do not include any costs for days when you stayed with friends or relatives whether you were charged or not. Enter at B on reverse side.

4. Divide B by A as indicated and enter result at C.

5. Add \$23 as indicated and enter result at D.

6. If amount at D is in excess of \$50 enter \$50 at E and G. If amount at D is less than \$50 and an exact dollar amount, enter that amount at E and G. Otherwise, round up to next dollar and enter result at E and G.

7. Multiply F by G as indicated and enter result at H.

8. If day of departure from permanent station is listed in 1, check meal times you were present at the permanent station:      0700      1200  
     1800 (effective 1 May 1981)

9. If day of return to permanent station is listed in 1, check meal times you were present at the permanent station:      0700      1200      1800  
effective 1 May 1981)

10. List below any meals supplied at no cost to you by other than a private source during days listed in 1. Do not include meals on commercial aircraft.

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11. Count the number of meals indicated in 8, 9, and 10 above and enter at I.

12. Multiply I by \$6.50, as indicated, and enter result at J.

13. Subtract J from H, as indicated, and enter result at K.

14. List any meals that were available on days listed in 1 at a government mess where you would have been charged for messing \_\_\_\_\_

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15. Count the number of meals listed in 14 and enter result at L.

16. Multiply L by \$3.40, as indicated, and enter result at M.
17. Subtract M from K, as indicated, and enter result at N and on the travel voucher as net per diem.
18. Attach lodging receipts and this worksheet to voucher.

<u>(B) \$</u> _____	+	<u>(C) \$</u> _____	
<u>(A)</u> _____		+\$23.00	
		<u>(D) \$</u> _____	

Per Diem Rate (E) \_\_\_\_\_

<u>(F)</u> _____	days @	<u>(G)</u> _____	=	<u>(H)</u> _____
Less <u>(I)</u> _____	meals @	\$6.50	=	<u>(J)</u> - _____
		Subtotal	=	<u>(K)</u> _____
Less <u>(L)</u> _____	meals @	\$3.40	=	<u>(M)</u> - _____
		Net Per Diem	=	<u>(N)</u> _____



# NOAA CORPS BULLETIN

OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

As a follow-up to the Administrator's Review of the NOAA Corps of last year, I was struck by an article which recently appeared in the Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society. The essay, entitled NOAA's LEADERS OF TOMORROW by Professor John Dutton of Penn State University is presented below in abbreviated form. Professor Dutton's article referred to discussions with Dr. George S. Benton, former Associate Administrator and active participant in the recent Corps Study, in pointing out leadership attributes needed by the leaders of NOAA. Dr. Benton, a long-time friend of the NOAA Corps, has emphasized that NOAA must be continually concerned with the development of leaders and candidates for top-level management.

### NOAA's LEADERS OF TOMORROW

How can NOAA attract and retain leaders? In order to respond to this question, listed below are some of the skills that a leader in NOAA should possess.

#### 1. Ability to Make Scientific Judgments

- a. The atmosphere and ocean are a complex, interacting system. A NOAA leader must be able to stimulate, evaluate, and promote creative approaches to understanding, predicting, modifying, and benefiting from atmospheric and oceanic processes.
- b. A NOAA leader must be able to distinguish between measurement programs that will be effective and efficient, and those that are doomed from the beginning.
- c. A NOAA leader must be able to recognize the few really important advances and their potential when they occur--a leader must spot those rare and crucial occasions when the future has arrived today.

#### 2. Ability to Make Programmatic Judgments

- a. NOAA is faced with the management of complicated systems concerned with measurements, communications, data processing, and computer

simulations. There are strong interactions between these systems, and programmatic judgments must take account of far-reaching implications.

- b. NOAA needs leaders who can courageously and intelligently make investments that have long-term rewards and potential.
  - c. But most of all, a NOAA leader must manage, promote, and cushion the interactions of people and a technology that advances at a screaming pace.
3. Ability to Inspire the Confidence of Fellow Workers
- a. NOAA must create and maintain good morale at all levels of the organization in order to be effective for all NOAA personnel.
  - b. The morale at the working level is essential--it is created by wise, consistent, and supportive leadership that sends a clear message that the job is important.
4. Ability to Inspire Confidence in the Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences Community
- a. NOAA must be at the forefront of new ideas, a leader in developing new concepts in research and in the application of scientific knowledge and technological advances to society's needs.
5. Ability to Ensure That the Organization Inspires Public Confidence
- a. NOAA does many things well--its activities in a variety of areas are valuable and impressive.

Now, let's turn the question around and ask: "What does a leader need from NOAA?"

1. A Leader Needs Opportunity
- a. NOAA must encourage early identification of individuals with the potential for leadership.
  - b. NOAA must support scholarships and internships for potential leaders.
  - c. NOAA must provide challenging assignments so that those who show potential can grow rapidly.
  - d. NOAA and the community must keep in mind the important impact on young people of role models. In order that young men and women in high schools and universities be attracted to careers as leaders in the government, in NOAA, they must have role models on which to pattern their behavior, role models that fuel their desire to serve.
2. A Leader Needs Support
- a. Leaders need expressions of confidence from their superiors; need to have confidence in the actions and attitudes of those they supervise.
  - b. Leaders need the license to make mistakes, and to learn from them.

3. A Leader Needs a Sense of Value and Worth, a Sense of Impact and Effectiveness
  - a. Leaders need to feel that their work is important, that they are doing well, that they are headed in the right direction. To have that, they must feel that their organization is important, doing well, and headed in the right direction.
  - b. The present efforts by NOAA leaders to assess goals and aims of the organization and its personnel policies, the attempt to find ways to identify and attract the leaders of tomorrow, should have an accelerating effect in improving the image of the organization and making it increasingly effective.
4. A Leader Must Have Recognition and Reward for Creativity
  - a. NOAA and all organizations depend on the creativity of their leaders, knowledge of their workers, of all their professionals. Creativity is the key to the future.
  - b. NOAA must welcome new ideas, must explore them, and must use them.
  - c. NOAA must ruthlessly pare away yesterday's concepts and today's mistakes to provide opportunities for new ventures. It must make sure that creativity does indeed shape its future.

NOAA hopes to attract men and women who are competent, creative, and confident. To do that, NOAA must be an organization that is competent, creative, and confident, and it must project such an image to the young people of America. When that perception is prevalent, the leaders of tomorrow will flock to our doors.

#### SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Lt. Cdr. Donald L. Suloff received a Certificate of Recognition and Cash Award from Rear Admiral H. R. Lippold, Jr., Director, National Ocean Survey, in recognition of his sustained superior performance as Chief of the Requirements Branch, Hydrographic Surveys Division.

Lt. (jg) Samuel DeBow received a Special Act or Service Award from Rear Admiral Charles K. Townsend, Director, Pacific Marine Center, for his unhesitating assistance in giving CPR which undoubtedly saved a life January 10 of this year.

Capt. Wesley V. Hull received a Certificate of Recognition and Cash Award from Rear Admiral H. R. Lippold, Jr., Director, National Ocean Survey, for his sustained superior performance as Associate Director, Office of Oceanography, National Ocean Survey.

#### FEMALE CERTIFIED AS NAVIGATOR (Federal Times, April 13, 1981)

"The first female navigator to be certified by the Federal Aviation Administration is Karen Cox, a corps officer with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in Miami.

"Lt.(jg) Cox, a graduate of Kings Point Merchant Marine Academy, took her check ride in a C-130 on a flight over the Gulf of Mexico from Miami to San Antonio."

## ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - NMFS Headquarters  
Office of Habitat Protection  
Rank: Lt.(jg) - Lt. - Lt. Cdr.

### Introduction

This position is located in the Office of Habitat Protection (OHP), National Marine Fisheries Center. Within OHP, this office is responsible for coordination and review of NMFS habitat protection research and investigations programs. The incumbent is responsible for planning, developing, coordinating, and implementing broad criteria and procedures for the conduct of research centers and laboratory habitat protection responsibilities.

### Statement of Duties

Under the general guidance of the Habitat Investigations Research Coordinator the incumbent provides staff support for the development of information necessary to protect and conserve the habitats of marine resources and ecosystems. It is the incumbent's responsibility to:

assist in the establishment and conduct of habitat protection research programs of the NMFS Centers; review and coordinate these programs which are intended to maintain, develop and broaden the marine ecosystems data base and marine contaminant-oriented activities; initiate and submit for NMFS/NOAA approval and negotiation, agreements required to effectively integrate international, state, academic and private activities related to program objectives; coordinate various habitat protection marine ecology program efforts, evaluate the scientific competence of the Center Program outputs with respect to user requirements and national goals; and devise technical or procedural changes necessary.

### Qualifications

Preferred qualifications are:

a professional knowledge of principles and techniques of fishery and marine biology and ecology; an understanding of fishery resources and their environments; and an ability to analyze, evaluate and provide recommendations on enhancement, restoration and conservation of habitat research programs.

### Supervision Received

The incumbent is under the general supervision of the OHP Habitat Investigations Research Coordinator.

### Contact

For further information call Lt.(jg) Pete Stangl, FTS 634-7434.

Assignment Opening - NMFS Headquarters  
Office of Habitat Protection  
Washington, D. C.

Rank: Lt. - Lt. Cdr.

### Introduction

This position is located in the Office of Habitat Protection, National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). The incumbent in this position serves as Activity Leader for the Federal Permit Program within the Habitat Conservation Coordination and Support Branch with duties listed below.

### Duties

Several Federal agencies issue permits to individuals, corporations, and government, to undertake a variety of activities and construction projects in the waters of the U.S. that could affect the aquatic resources for which NMFS bears a Federal management and conservation responsibility.

The officer serves as technical and scientific staff specialist and provides expertise, guidance and recommendations to the regional staffs on procedural matters of the Federal Permit Program; drafts national policy with respect to NMFS responsibilities; develops interpretative guidance on new legislation, policies and regulations; monitors and analyzes official comments and recommendations transmitted to the permit-granting agencies; provides recommendations to the Director, OHP, and Assistant Administrator for Fisheries on controversial permit projects which may require their personal involvement; acts as key NMFS staff representative in inter-agency policy-level negotiations of unresolved conflicts and divergent recommendations on permits; prepares recommended course of action in legislative reports on bills introduced in Congress; maintains current awareness of all activities within or outside NMFS which may impact on the Federal Permit Programs; and attends meetings and conferences of government and private organizations as a technical expert on the NMFS Federal Permit Program to ensure total integration of the objectives of the program.

### Qualifications

Preferred qualifications are a professional knowledge of principles and techniques of fishery and marine ecology; demonstrated experience in environmental assessment of coastal water resources development projects; and ability to analyze, evaluate and provide recommendations for habitat enhancement, restoration and conservation in connection with water resources development projects.

### Supervision

The incumbent is under the general supervision of the Coordinator, Branch of Habitat Conservation Coordination.

### Contact

For further information call Lt. (jg) Pete Stangl, FTS 634-7434.

Assignment Opening - National Climate Program Office  
6010 Executive Blvd.  
Rockville, Maryland

Rank: Lt. Cdr. - Cdr.

### Introduction

This position is located in the National Climate Program Office within the NOAA Office of Policy and Planning. The duty station is NOAA Headquarters, Rockville, Maryland. A 2-3 year assignment is expected. The National Climate Program Office leads in administering the multi-agency and multi-disciplinary Climate Program. Office staff propose concepts, develop plans and assist Federal, state and international agencies in implementing Program components. A formal Navy-NOAA Agreement to employ ships-of-opportunity in obtaining world-wide ocean climate data forms the basis for the assignment, where the incumbent will assist both agencies in developing operations plans and securing resources to carry out the program.

### Duties

The incumbent will: develop recommendations and plans for implementation of NOAA responsibilities under the subject Navy-NOAA Agreement; ensure consideration and evaluation of collective NOAA ocean data requirements as well as those of other Federal agencies and of the World Meteorological Organization-led World Climate Program; and encourage participation of U.S. business in collection and use of data and analyses derived from the program. The incumbent will assist in preparation and presentation of program documents and briefings. Relevant to the incumbent's background, other duties may include technical evaluations and development of ideas for National policy and carrying out broader aspects of the National Climate Program's many and varied interdisciplinary responsibilities.

The incumbent will be responsible to the Assistant Director for Research. The incumbent will work with oceanographers, engineers, data specialists and mid-to-upper level managers within the U.S. Navy, several NOAA main line components, universities and businesses.

### Qualifications

Knowledge of one or more of the technical aspects of ocean data gathering, processing, analysis and use is highly desired. A knowledge of the practical considerations of data collections from domestic and foreign volunteer merchant and research vessels is beneficial. The incumbent must be able to work cooperatively with technicians, scientists and program managers. Written and oral communication skills are necessary.

### Career Benefits

The assignment is ideally situated for the officer who wishes experience in overall NOAA policy setting and in interagency and international program planning and management.

### Contact

For further information please contact Dr. William A. Sprigg, National Climate Program Office, NOAA, 6010 Executive Blvd., Rockville, Maryland 20852; telephone (301) 443-8981 or FTS 443-8981.

TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS

Because of present travel limitations, it is necessary that we have accurate figures for both travel already taken and good estimates for future travel.

It will be most helpful if all officers with outstanding travel vouchers would submit these vouchers immediately, and vouchers for future travel are to be submitted upon completion of travel.

A copy of each voucher chargeable to NOAA Corps funds is to be sent to NC2.

SEA PAY

By now, each officer should have received a copy of NDM 56-80 which governs the payment of sea pay. Listed below are the monthly rates currently specified by that directive.

GRADE	YEARS OF SEA DUTY									
	OVER 3	OVER 4	OVER 5	OVER 6	OVER 7	OVER 8	OVER 9	OVER 10	OVER 11	OVER 12
0-1 ENS <sup>1</sup>	\$150	\$160	\$185	\$190	\$195	\$205	\$215	\$225	\$225	\$240
0-2 LTJG <sup>1</sup>	150	160	185	190	190	205	215	225	225	240
0-3 LT	150	160	185	190	195	205	215	225	225	240
0-4 LCDR	185	190	200	205	215	215	220	225	225	240
0-5 CDR	225	225	225	225	230	245	250	260	265	265
0-6 CAPT	225	230	230	240	255	265	280	290	300	310

<sup>1</sup>Commissioned officers with at least four years of active service as enlisted members or as noncommissioned warrant officers.

FITNESS REPORT REMINDER

Fitness reports on ensigns and lieutenants (junior grade) will be due for the period ending June 30, 1981. Commands and supervisors are reminded and junior officers can assist by alerting their supervisors.

NOAA DIRECTIVES MANUAL CHAPTER 56 (See attachment at end of Bulletin)

When NOAA Directives Manual Chapter 56 is issued or revised, copies are automatically distributed to all officers. Copies of missing directives or circulars and copies of a complete NDM Chapter 56 may be ordered from Kansas City. Please order on NOAA Form 37-4 by transmittal number from the following:

Central Logistics Supply Center  
619 Hardesty Street  
Kansas City, Missouri 64124

The supply of three-ring binders made for maintaining your personal copy of the NOAA Directives Manual may be obtained by contacting the Commissioned Personnel Division.

REMINDER - Questionnaires have been mailed to NOAA Corps members selected to participate in this year's VHA survey. Prompt return in the envelope provided is requested.

IN MEMORIAM

Rear Admiral Frank Gerard Johnson, NOAA (Ret.) - July 19, 1900 - April 3, 1981

Rear Admiral Frank G. Johnson was born in Brookline, Massachusetts. He attended Tufts College where he graduated in 1924 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering.

Following his graduation he was appointed to the Corps as a deck officer. He was then appointed as an ensign in May 1925. His various assignments during his 36-year career included being assigned to the following ships: BACHE, GUIDE, PIONEER, HYDROGRAPHER and EXPLORER as the Executive Officer, and the PATTON and SURVEYOR as Commanding Officer. His other assignments included Tides & Current, Hydrography, Geodesy, Triangulation, Processing, the San Francisco Office, the Eastern District Office and in Washington, D. C. After his retirement on November 1, 1959, he was recalled to active duty to complete his report on the construction of the NOAA Ship SURVEYOR. He served until October 31, 1960.

During World War II, Admiral Johnson was transferred to the U.S. Army where he served as a Corps Artillery Survey Officer. He was assigned in the United States at Camp Roberts, Ft. Bragg, Ft. Lewis and Ft. Sill; overseas he served in England, France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Germany and Czechoslovakia.

Admiral Johnson was awarded an honorary promotion to the rank of Rear Admiral in accordance with the Act of June 6, 1942 (33 USC 864e). This honor was based on his having received the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in military operations in France from September 10, 1944 to November 8, 1944 and having received a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster for military operations in Germany in March 1945.

Admiral Johnson is survived by his wife, Rebecca O. and son, John M. Johnson.

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - How much will the Veterans Administration reimburse the family of a deceased veteran who purchases a headstone in lieu of a government issued headstone?

Answer - The VA currently pays \$59 toward the cost of a non-government headstone for placement in any cemetery other than a national cemetery.

Question - I have had Veterans Administration insurance since World War II which I converted to a permanent plan about 10 years ago. Can I cash the policy in now?

Answer - You may apply for the cash surrender value of your policy. However, you should consider that once you surrender the policy, you cannot restore it.

Question - I am separated from my wife and am attending school with GI Bill educational assistance. Can my wife get part of my educational allowance without my consent?

Answer - If your wife can prove you are not providing for your family, she can request the portion paid you for your dependents and you will receive the rate of a single veteran.

I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Capt. Wayne L. Mobley from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER to OA/NOS, Office of the Director, Support Data System Project III. (July 1981)

Capt. Gerald C. Saladin from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER to OA/NOS Office of Aeronautical Charting and Cartography (AO/C4) as the Deputy Associate Director.

Capt. Francis D. Moran from the RD, Research Facilities Center to the Office of the Assistant Administrator for Research and Development (RD). (August 1981)

Cdr. Leonard E. Pickens from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to OA, Environmental Data and Information Service, Office of the Director. (1 August 1981)

Lt. Cdr. Dennis Pepe from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER to OA/NESS, Office of Systems Integration. (September 1981)

Lt. Edward E. Seymour from RD, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory to the Northwest Administrative Service Office, Seattle, WA (June 1981)

Lt. (jg) Gary L. Johnson from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ to OA/NOS, Office of Oceanography, Aquisitions and Requirements Branch of the Tides and Water Levels Division as the Branch Chief. (15 July 1981)

Lt. Garth W. Stroble from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to the NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER. (September 1981)

Lt. Dennis J. Sigrist from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to RD/OMPA, Special Projects Office (RD/MP3). (The date is to be determined).

Lt. Charles D. Mason from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING to the OA/EDIS, National Climatic Center (15 January 1982)

Lt. Ronald W. Kimball from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN to OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center, Pacific Tides Party. (15 August 1981)

Lt. George E. Leigh from OA/NOS, National Geodetic Survey to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE. (1 September 1981)

Lt. Virginia E. Newell from Full-Time University Training to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON. (October 1981)

Lt. Charles E. Gross from NMFS, Northeast Fisheries Center to OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Augmentation Pool, for duty at the Northeast Fisheries Center. (September 1981)

Lt. (jg) William L. Hiscox from RD/ERL Air Resources Laboratory to RD/ERL, Office of Research and Modification, Boulder, CO. (Reporting date to be determined).

Lt. (jg) James C. Gardner from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING to OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Processing Division. (Reporting date to be determined).

Lt. (jg) Denise J. Holloman from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ to OA/NOS, Office of Oceanography (C2) as the Logistics/Operations Officer, at Sandy Hook, NJ. (Reporting date to be determined)

## II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

### CAPTAIN

Burroughs, Charles A., from OA/EDIS, Marine Environmental Assessment Division to Office of the NOAA Corps, Program Planning, Liaison, and Training Division.

### COMMANDER

Albright, John C., from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER to RD, Office of Marine Pollution Assessment, Seattle, WA.

### LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

Flior, Arthur N., from OA/NOS, Office of Aeronautical Charting and Cartography to Office of Aeronautical Charting, Chief, Product Evaluation and Development Group, Requirements and Technology Staff.

Eilers, Daniel from OA/NOS, Office of Marine Surveys and Maps to U.S. Navy, Patuxent River NAS, VXN-8.

Arnold, Harold B. from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER to U.S. Navy, Naval Oceanographic Division, Washington, D.C.

### LIEUTENANT

Sarb, James D., from OA/NOS, Office of the Director, to Office of the Administrator, Executive Secretariat.

### LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

Wilder, John D., from OA/NESS, Satellite Field Service Station, Miami, FL to NOAA Officer Training Center, Kings Point, NY as Assistant Training Officer.

Maxson, Robert W. from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL to OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center as the Diving Officer.

## III. PROMOTIONS

Gary L. Johnson	LCDR	4/1/81
Michael E. Henderson	LT	4/1/81
Karen L. Cox	LT	4/1/81
George E. White	LTJG	4/1/81
Steven J. Konrad	LTJG	4/1/81
John W. Humphrey, Jr.	LTJG	4/1/81

IV. APPOINTMENTS

Craig L. Bailey	ENS	12/31/80	California State U.	BS-Ocean Engineering
Sharon K. Christopherson	ENS	12/31/80	Pacific Lutheran U.	BA-Biology/Chemistry
			U. of Southern California	MS-Biology
			U. of Soughern California	Ph.D.-Physiology
Joanna F. Flanders	ENS	04/17/81	U. of Utah	BA-Anthropology
Roslyn B. Harris	ENS	12/31/80	U. of South Carolina	BS-Marine Science
Richard B. Koehler	ENS	04/03/81	U. of Arizona	BS-Watershed Mgmt.
Frank J. Migaiolo	ENS	04/03/81	Humboldt State U.	BS-Oceanography
Amy E. Orris	ENS	04/04/81	Florida Institute of Tech	BS-Chemical Oceanography
Paul J. Ruiz	ENS	04/03/81	Florida Institute of Tech	BS-Oceanography
Thomas P. Wilus	ENS	03/15/81	Temple University	BS-Environmental Engr.

V. RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

## Retirements

None

## Resignations

Michael McCluskey	LTJG	4/15/81
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VI. RETIREMENTS

None

VII. RESIGNATIONS

Lyman M. C. Burke, Jr.	LTJG	4/12/81
Michael McCluskey	LTJG	4/15/81

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO THE LINEAL LIST

None

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NOTE - FY81 NOAA Ship Allocation Plan (Attached at the End of Bulletin)

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NOAA Circular 71-83 (File with NDM 56-12) Working Hours for Commissioned Officers		11/06/71	None
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OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

The Officer Personnel Board (OPB) recently completed its annual review of the lineal list. The long-range primary objective of this annual week-long exercise is a re-arrangement in the list of NOAA Corps officers that reflect their abilities, experience, contributions and potential to NOAA. Again this year, the review covered ranks O-2 through O-5.

The principal factors in officer evaluation are job accomplishment and capabilities. In addition, highlights of my guidance to the OPB toward accomplishing its task were as follows:

- o the lineal list should be viewed as one which represents a progression of capability from top to bottom -- not necessarily based upon seniority alone.
- o notable weight should be placed upon executive and managerial abilities as well as written and oral communications, successful interaction with superiors and contemporaries, and initiative -- these traits often recognized by superior type commendations and awards.
- o officers perceived as being substandard should be identified -- with recommended remedial action.
- o decisions should be influenced only by documented evidence.

The tabulation below is a summary of those recommendations by the Board which I have approved.

	CDR (O-5) (56)	LCDR (O-4) (77)	LT (O-3) (93)	LTJG (O-2) (84)	TOTAL (310)
Advanced on Lineal List	6	14	8	1	29
Moved Back on Lineal List	0	2	1	0	3
Letters of Commendation	3	14	19	8	44
Letters of Concern on Performance	0	1	4	2	7

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE LINEAL LIST

NAME	OLD L#	OLD PCD	NEW L#	NEW PCD
Ralph J. Land	35	61/06/01	33B	61/03/04
C. William Hayes	36	61/06/21	33A	61/03/03
Freddie L. Jeffries	38	61/12/21	33C	61/03/04
Walter S. Simmons	55	63/12/21	52A	63/05/17
Yeager A. Bush	81	67/02/02	76A	66/03/09
William L. Stubblefield	82	67/07/08	76B	66/03/09
David J. Goehler	96	69/10/22	93C	68/09/16
Donnie M. Spillman	98	68/10/24	93A	68/09/16
Robert C. Roush	99	69/04/03	93B	68/09/16
Richard K. Muller	106	69/07/11	110A	69/08/04
Ronald J. Smolowitz	111	69/10/03	109A	69/08/03
Andrew A. Bodnar, Jr.	112	69/10/03	109B	69/08/03
Frederick J. Jones	117	70/01/11	115A	69/12/01
Richard A. Schiro	123	70/05/19	121A	70/03/02
Kurt J. Schnebele	124	70/06/11	121B	70/03/02
William J. Lounsbery	127	70/07/15	93D	68/09/16
William L. Adams	131	70/10/11	135A	71/04/11
Craig S. Nelson	135	71/03/14	126A	70/07/14
Wayne L. Perryman	148	71/12/12	146A	71/10/16
Daniel S. Eilers	149	71/12/15	146B	71/10/16
Alan D. Anderson	164	72/08/06	150A	72/02/06
Christopher B. Lawrence	166	72/09/09	157A	72/06/09
Kenneth M. Holden, II	175	73/01/21	171A	72/11/13
Terry M. Laydon	177	73/03/15	171B	72/11/13
Edward B. Christman	183	73/07/07	180A	73/04/06
Douglas G. Hennick	184	73/07/11	180B	73/04/06
Francesca M. Cava	188	73/07/23	186A	No Change
David H. Peterson	194	73/10/12	192B	No Change
Duane C. Simpson	195	73/10/12	192A	No Change
Evelyn J. Fields	198	73/10/12	195A	No Change
Lars A. G. Pardo	217	74/10/11	221A	75/01/17
Linda H. Mezger	286	76/12/31	281A	76/10/07

AVIATION CAREER PLANNING

Present budget cuts are affecting all elements of NOAA--administration, travel, operations, and personnel. Those of you in aviation are concerned with the effects on the aviation program and your personal careers.

NOAA Corps aviation involvement has continued to grow throughout the years with the identification of additional flying billets, programs requiring aviation support, and assignments directly related to aviation. However, under the present economic climate, the past rate of Corps involvement cannot be maintained, and in some instances reassignment of aviation personnel will be necessary.

For example, the RFC may be forced to retire its C-130 aircraft and attendant positions. Since this activity is at the top end of the aviation pipeline, its loss will not only affect future assignments to RFC but also the frequency of rotation into VXN-8 as well. In turn this will have a cascading effect on filling pilot

requirements within NOS' photogrammetry and flight edit programs, and on the number of officers assigned to initial flight training. In FY 1982, only one pilot will enter flight training, and we plan to curtail navigator training for the immediate future. Helicopter operations will feel the pinch because the OCSEAP program will lose a portion of its ship support.

Where surpluses in aviation personnel occur, thereby clogging the rotational stream, some officers may expect assignments to sea duty or to a staff or management position before returning to the aviation career path.

We can only speculate on how long budget constraints will continue to affect aviation activities. In the interim, some aviation personnel should plan for an interim main-stream position, either at sea or on shore. These assignments will provide opportunity to enhance the officer's overall value to NOAA and his or her qualifications and competitive standing for further promotion.

### SPECIAL RECOGNITION

#### Junior Officer of the Year Award - Shared by Two NOAA Corps Officers

Lieutenant Neal G. Millett and Lieutenant Kent A. Doggett were selected by the National Association of Commissioned Officers as both deserving of this singular award. The following are excerpts from letters of nomination and support and endorsement from their sponsors.

"Lt. Millett's contributions to the Office of Marine Pollution and Assessment cannot be measured quantitatively in terms of Government dollars saved or pages of reports generated. . . . his contributions lay in his display of excellent managerial and administrative competence, and in conducting critical activities under the responsibility of this Office. In all cases, he brought them to a successful and timely conclusion. It is the summation of sustained superior performance throughout the past year and earlier years, in each facet of his assigned duties, that shows Lt. Millett as an outstanding officer . . . ."

"I can say without reservation that if it had not been for Lt. Neal Millett's dedication, perseverance, and display of professionalism it would have been very difficult, if not impossible, for the Office of Oceanography to accept the responsibility and to implement ocean pollution monitoring."

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Lt. Dogget has been assigned to the Learmonth, Australia Solar Observatory. Lt. Doggett is the one NOAA representative working with a staff of over a dozen U.S. Air Force and Australian Department of Science Personnel on a U.S. Navy Base.

"In the past twelve months, Lt. Kent Doggett has been totally cooperative and his extensive efforts and positive attitude have been greatly appreciated by the USAF/AWS, the Australian Ionospheric Prediction Service and Air Force Communications Command contingents here at Learmonth. . . . this has been a demanding assignment; yet Lt. Doggett has done much, both professionally and personally, to make it easier on all he works with. The NOAA Corps is fortunate to have such a dedicated and talented officer in its ranks."

"It is evident from all reports received that Lt. Doggett has done a fine job, but what makes him more deserving is that Learmonth is at the northwest tip of Australia, at a site so remote that even the Australians officially classify it as hardship duty. The location is at sea level within the tropics and has a desert climate with temperatures regularly exceeding 110° F in the summer. The nearest city, Perth, is over 650 miles away; the nearest fellow Department of Commerce employee is over 2200 mi. He has worked with very little contact or guidance from the home office here in Boulder, yet his morale has remained very high. His positive, can do attitude and his spirit of cooperativeness has brought credit to the U.S., to NOAA and to the Corps."

Also to be commended are the other Junior Officer of the Year nominees.

Lt. (jg) Richard R. Behn  
 Lt. (jg) John C. Clary, III  
 Lt. Lewis D. Consiglieri  
 Lt. (jg) J. Scott Ferguson  
 Lt. (jg) Linda Haas

NOS Director Named a SAME Fellow. Rear Admiral H.R. Lippold, Jr., the NOS Director, has been selected as a Fellow of the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME). The Society commended Admiral Lippold for his record of service and many contributions to the Society.

Lt. Cdr. Donnie M. Spillman has been presented one of the Society of American Military Engineers' highest awards--the Colbert Medal. Rear Admiral H. R. Lippold, Jr., made the presentation in recognition of Lt. Cdr. Spillman's engineering excellence. The award was received during SAME's annual meeting held recently in San Diego, CA.

Lt. Cdr. Alan D. Anderson received a Sustained Superior Performance and Cash Award from Rear Admiral Charles K. Townsend, Director, Pacific Marine Center, for his outstanding performance as Operations Officer on the NOAA Ship RAINIER.

Lt. Roger A. Morris received a Sustained Superior Performance and Cash Award from Rear Admiral Charles K. Townsend, Director, Pacific Marine Center, for his outstanding performance of duties aboard the NOAA Ship RAINIER.

Cdr. John C. Albright received a Sustained Superior Performance and Cash Award from Rear Admiral Charles K. Townsend, Director, Pacific Marine Center, for his outstanding performance as Executive Officer aboard the NOAA Ship RAINIER.

Lt. (jg) Richard R. Behn received a Sustained Superior Performance and Cash Award from Rear Admiral Charles K. Townsend, Director, Pacific Marine Center, for his superior performance of duties as a Junior Officer aboard the NOAA Ship DISCOVERER.

Lt. Andrew M. Snella received a Sustained Superior Performance and Cash Award from Rear Admiral Charles K. Townsend, Director, Pacific Marine Center, for the commendable manner in which Lt. Snella conducted activities and responsibilities outside the purview of the Anchorage office. In the absence of an assigned Kodiak Liaison Officer, he assumed those duties for six months and performed in an outstanding manner.

Lt. Cdr. Lewis A. Lapine received a Certificate of Appreciation on behalf of the American Society of Photogrammetry and the American Congress on Surveying and Mapping, in recognition of dedicated and valuable service to the 1981 Annual

Convention held in Washington, DC, February 22 through February 27.

Lt. Patrick J. Rutten received a Sustained Superior Performance and Cash Award from Izadore Barrett, Director, Southwest Fisheries Center, for the initiative, resourcefulness, and skill he demonstrated in all aspects of work assigned to him while at the SW Fisheries Center, Tiburon Laboratory in La Jolla, CA.

Lt. Evelyn J. Fields received a Certificate of Recognition and Cash Award from Rear Admiral Richard H. Houlder, Director, Atlantic Marine Center, in recognition of her sustained superior performance of duties as Field Operations Officer aboard the NOAA Ship PEIRCE during the 1980 field season.

Commander Kenneth E. Lilly, Jr., was recently recognized by officials of The Sea Use Council in Seattle, Washington, for his "great job in editing and preparing Captain Graham P. Britton's book, An Introduction to Sea State Forecasting, for publication."

Lieutenant Commander Burl L. Wescott was awarded the Coast Guard Achievement Medal at the Alaska Coastal Regional Response Team meeting on May 21, 1981, by the Commander, 17th Coast Guard District in behalf of Admiral J. B. Hayes, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant. The citation to accompany the award reads, in part, ". . . for outstanding achievement and superior performance of duty while serving as Scientific Support Coordinator to the Alaska Coastal Regional Response Team from November 1979 to April 1980 . . . ."

#### ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - Environmental Data and Information Service  
National Geophysical and Solar-Terrestrial Data Center (NGSDC)  
Solid Earth Geophysics Division  
Marine Geology and Geophysics Branch (MGGB)  
Boulder, Colorado

Rank: Lt. (jg) - Lt.

Incumbent: Lt. (jg) Robert B. Cowell

#### Description

As a branch of one of the five EDIS data centers, the MGGB is the national repository for marine geological and geophysical data (including substantial amounts of NOS hydrographic data) and is responsible for disseminating these data to a user community which includes other agencies and institutions, both domestic and foreign, industry, academia and the general public. The MGGB also cooperates with several scientific and research organizations and other government agencies to obtain data and to develop products useful to a broad spectrum of marine scientists.

The officer will have duties in both the Data Systems and Products group and the Data Services group, and will help coordinate the activities of both.

The officer will take the lead in the processing and assimilation of incoming NOS data into the MGG hydrographic data base. This will include quality control and format checking and the development of necessary software to adapt to running

changes in the data systems at MGG or NOS and to handle unexpected contingencies in incoming data. Incoming data are both hydrographic and geographic; the officer will design and implement new programs to produce new products from the combination of the hydrographic and shoreline data bases.

Within the data services group, the officer will assist in managing the activities of the group. This will include a broad range of responsibilities:

- Providing a readily available source of expertise to assist secondary data users in deriving maximum benefit from MGG data bases, answering questions as to applicability and precision of the data and assisting data customers in deciding which of many similar types are appropriate to their needs.

- Providing innovative leadership in the development of new data products based on NOS data, thereby extending the usefulness of these data beyond their original purpose and use in nautical charting. Previous applications have included pipeline route studies, waste disposal and pollution mitigation and development of secondary data bases for studies of wave shoaling.

- Acting as the initial contact person for resolving problems with data requests or data request procedures.

### Qualifications

Some education or experience in digital data processing and computer programming is desirable. Also useful will be exposure to geology and/or geophysics and marine data collection techniques and operations (especially hydrography).

The officer will have the opportunity to interact with data professionals in this and other organizations regarding data services, data exchange and interagency projects. The position is one of relatively high visibility in the marine community and one which allows an officer to develop skills needed in interacting both with small groups under pressure to provide badly needed services and with the data user community.

### Supervision

The officer works directly under the MGG Branch Chief but has considerable latitude to be innovative and expand responsibilities in accordance with aptitude and interest in specific portions of the activities of the Branch. In this regard, he receives only general policy guidance and a minimum of detailed instructions.

### Contact

For further information please contact Dr. Michael S. Loughbridge, FTS 320-6487.

### LAST CALL FOR BACK DIVING PAY CLAIMS

Of the 148 officers entitled to back diving pay, earned between April 1977 through July 1980, only 50 have submitted claims.

Of these, agreement has been reached on 39 claims and 11 are being reaudited for further approval.

All additional claims for back diving pay must be submitted by 9/1/81 to be given consideration for payment.

#### VHA COMPUTATION

The example in the November 1980 Bulletin showing the calculation of VHA payments contained two errors. The following corrected computations should be substituted for the last two parts of the example.

The amount to be paid for the pay period ending January 15, 1981, is calculated as follows:

$$\$2.75 + (13 \text{ days} \times \$3.00/\text{day}) + (2 \text{ days} \times \$1.00/\text{day}) = \$43.75$$

The amount to be paid for the remaining pay periods in Fiscal Year 1981 is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{258 \text{ days} \times \$1.00/\text{day}}{17 \text{ pay periods}} = \$15.18$$

VHA will become a monthly entitlement in Fiscal Year 1982 making such calculations unnecessary.

#### NEW USPHS OUTPATIENT CLINIC AT NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)

For information to Active Duty Officers stationed in the Washington, DC area, on or about June 15, 1981, the Bureau of Medical Services, in cooperation with the NIH Clinical Center will open a primary care clinic in one of the temporary trailers in the parking lot next to Building 10. The clinic will function as a satellite of the USPHS Outpatient Clinic at 4th and C Streets, S.W., and initially will be staffed by a physician, nurse, and pharmacist on a two-day-a-week basis. Plans call for staff and time expansion as the demands for services increase.

Initially services will be limited to Active Duty Officers because of space and appointment limitations. A general announcement will be made when the clinic is available to other beneficiaries.

Appointments will be handled through the main clinic appointment system at 245-1663. To reduce errors, callers should indicate wanting an appointment at the NIH site when making an appointment.

#### CHAMPUS NEWS

CHAMPUS - The Effects of Other Health Plans (See Article at End of Bulletin)

#### OCHAMPUS Names Blue Cross/Blue Shield of South Carolina as Fiscal Intermediary for Mid-Atlantic Region

The Director of OCHAMPUS announced the selection of Blue Cross/Blue Shield of South Carolina as the Fiscal Intermediary (FI) for the seven-state Mid-Atlantic Region. That includes North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland.

Blue Cross of Southwestern Virginia and Pennsylvania Blue Shield will no longer process new CHAMPUS/CHAMPVA claims received after September 30, 1981. Both will, however, process all claims received before October 1, 1981.

Affected beneficiaries should begin submitting CHAMPUS/CHAMPVA claims to the new FI beginning October 1, 1981, even for care and services received before that date.

Inquiries concerning claims submitted to Blue Cross of Southwestern Virginia and Pennsylvania Blue Shield prior to October 1, 1981, should be referred to those organizations. The address for Blue Cross of Southwestern Virginia is P. O. Box 13828, Roanoke, VA 24034. The address of Pennsylvania Blue Shield is P. O. Box 65, Camp Hill, PA 17011.

#### VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - I am a woman veteran receiving GI Bill education benefits. If I marry, can I claim my husband as a dependent for additional benefits?

Answer - Yes. You can receive additional benefits for a spouse.

Question - Who is eligible for veterans mortgage life insurance from the Veterans Administration?

Answer - This insurance is restricted to those service connected disabled veterans who have received grants from the VA for the purchase of specially adapted wheelchair housing.

Question - Can I use my GI Bill education benefits to attend school in a foreign country?

Answer - The Veterans Administration will provide education benefits to eligible veterans who attend approved schools for foreign countries. Contact the nearest VA regional office for further information.

Question - Is there an expiration date on my Veterans Administration home loan benefit?

Answer - No. Loan entitlement is no longer subject to an expiration date.

Question - I am a World War I veteran and am having problems hearing. Will the Veterans Administration examine me and provide a hearing aid if I need one, since I cannot afford one?

Answer - Yes. Under a law that went into effect in December 1979, the VA can provide any medical need for a World War I veteran in a VA facility.

Question - My husband's death was service connected. Am I eligible for a Veterans Administration burial allowance?

Answer - Yes. Payment up to \$1,000 is allowed if the veterans's death was service connected. This payment is in lieu of the \$300 basic burial allowance and the \$150 plot allowance.

Question - Before I convert my Veteran's Group Life Insurance to a private policy, do I have to take a physical exam?

Answer - No. The Office of Servicemen's Group Life Insurance will notify you before your insurance expires and will provide you with a list of companies participating in the conversion plan. You will then have sufficient time to convert and the policy will be issued to you without a physical exam at standard rates.

Question - I plan to enroll in college under the GI Bill, and the college requires that I undergo a physical examination. Can I go to a Veterans Administration hospital for this exam?

Answer - No. VA hospitals are not permitted to perform routine physical examinations. You may be given a physical examination only to determine need for treatment or hospitalization.

Question - Do I have to make a down payment on a Veterans Administration guaranteed home loan?

Answer - Generally speaking, if the loan amount requested does not exceed the appraised value of the home and the veteran meets the loan qualifying conditions, the lender may not impose a down payment on a VA guaranteed loan.

Question - There is no maximum loan amount established by VA. However, the maximum amount of the guarantee cannot exceed 60 percent of the loan value of the home, up to a maximum of \$27,500.

Question - What happens if the loan payments for a Veterans Administration guaranteed home loan are not made?

Answer Failure to make GI home loan payments may lead to foreclosure and loss of the veteran's home. In addition, if the government is required to pay a claim as a result of failure to repay the loan, the veteran will become indebted to the government for the amount of any such claim.

#### I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Capt. Charles H. Nixon from the Office of Sea Grant to OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, as the Deputy Director. (October 1981)

Lt. Cdr. William T. Turnbull from CZ, Office of Resource Coordination and Assessment to RD, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory, Office of the Director. (June 1981)

Lt. Cdr. Donald D. Winter from Full-Time University Training to OA/NOS, NOAA Ships RUDE and HECK. (October 1981)

Lt. Cdr. Patrick D. Harman from RD, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory to OA, Ocean Technology and Engineering Services, NOAA Data Buoy Office, Seattle, WA. (June 1981)

Lt. Cdr. Gary L. Johnson from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ to OA/NOS, Office of Oceanography, Tidal Requirements and Acquisition Branch as Chief. (July 1981)

Lt. David H. Peterson from OA/NOS, NOAA Ships RUDE and HECK to OA/NOS, Office of Marine Surveys and Maps, Hydrographic Survey Division. (June 18, 1981)

Lt. John M. Tokar from RD/AOML, Ocean Chemistry Laboratory to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER. (January 1982)

Lt. (jg) Michael F. Matta from MB/NW, Sand Point Project to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR. (June 1981)

Lt. (jg) Lyle B. Fox from RD Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratory to OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Southeast Marine Support Facility. (June 1981)

Ensign Scott J. Ferguson from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER. (July 1981)

## II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

### LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

Yeager, David W. from OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to U.S. Navy Commander Naval Oceanographic Command, NSTL Station, MS as Liaison Officer.

### LIEUTENANT

Parsons, Lawrence D. from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER to RD, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory, Seattle, WA.

### LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

Hiscox, William L. from RD/ERL, Geophysical Monitoring for Climatic Change to RD/ERL, Office of Weather Research and Modification, Boulder, CO.

Matta, Michael F. from MB/NW, Sand Point Project to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR.

Secretan, Eric from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR to OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center, Hydrographic Survey Party.

## III. PROMOTIONS

Ann F. Trimble	LTJG	4/13/81
James R. Gordon	LTJG	4/16/81

## IV. APPOINTMENTS

Brainard, Russell E.	ENS	05/08/81	Texas A & M	BS-Marine Sci
Poeschl, Mark E.	ENS	05/24/81	U. of Wisconsin	BA-Computer Sci

## V. RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS APPROVED

### Retirements

Merritt N. Walter	CDR	11/01/81
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## Retirements (Continued)

Robert D. Hopkins	LCDR	11/01/81
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## Resignations

Douglas D. Smith	LTJG	6/30/81
Daniel J. Marler	ENS	8/15/81

VI. RETIREMENTS

None

VII. RESIGNATIONS

None

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO LINEAL LIST

Change in Name - Linda F. Haas to Linda H. Mezger

IX. ON BOARD STRENGTH AS OF 1 JUNE 1981 - 372

NOTE: Attachment - FY81 NOAA FLEET ALLOCATION PLAN

CHAMPUS  
THE EFFECTS OF OTHER HEALTH PLANS

Coverage under other health plans may affect the way the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS) shares the cost for care received by its beneficiaries. This fact sheet explains the effect of coverage under other health plans on CHAMPUS payments.

In most instances, the effect of other coverage on dependents of active duty service members is different from the effect on other CHAMPUS beneficiaries. This fact sheet points out the differences.

The terms "first payor" and "second payor" or "last payor" are sometimes used when talking about coverage under some medical benefits plan other than CHAMPUS. They refer to the fact that the benefits of one plan ("first payor") are used before the benefits of the other ("second payor" or "last payor").

This fact sheet is for informational purposes only; it is not an official regulation or directive of the CHAMPUS program. It is based on information in Chapter VIII of the Department of Defense CHAMPUS Regulation (DoD 6010.8-R).

COVERAGE THROUGH EMPLOYMENT

Coverage through employment means medical benefits coverage that:

- o duplicates CHAMPUS benefits in whole or in part, and
- o is purchased through a plan offered to employees (including retired employees) as part of their employment

Health insurance through employment includes coverage provided at no cost to employees, coverage for which the employee and the employer share the cost, and coverage paid for entirely by the employee.

The term does not apply to any plan specifically designed to supplement CHAMPUS benefits -- that is, a plan specifically designed to pay the CHAMPUS outpatient deductible and the beneficiary's "cost-share" amount under CHAMPUS. Supplementary insurance of this type does not affect CHAMPUS payments. Neither does entitlement to receive care from Uniformed Services medical facilities or entitlement to have care through the Veterans Administration.

Active Duty Dependents. When the spouse or child of an active duty service member has coverage through employment, a determination is made as to which program has primary responsibility

for payments. This determination is made on a case-by-case basis by the CHAMPUS Fiscal Intermediary and representatives of the other program. In such cases, the Fiscal Intermediary shall extend payment for authorized CHAMPUS services on a first-pay basis and coordinate with the other program on behalf of the beneficiary/covered insured. A beneficiary normally will not get involved except to provide information to CHAMPUS about the coverage through employment.

Retirees, Dependents of Retirees, Dependents of Deceased Active Duty Members and Retirees. Beneficiaries who are not dependents of active duty service members must use coverage provided through employment before CHAMPUS payments enter the picture. They must file a claim with the other coverage before filing a CHAMPUS claim. When the claim has been paid by the other coverage, CHAMPUS pays the difference between the amount paid by the other coverage for CHAMPUS covered services and supplies and the CHAMPUS-determined allowable charge -- up to the amount CHAMPUS would have paid if there were no other coverage.

Payments of the other coverage can be used to satisfy the CHAMPUS outpatient deductible and the beneficiary's "cost-share" amount under CHAMPUS, provided the payment was for care authorized under CHAMPUS.

Examples. The following examples show how coverage provided through employment affects CHAMPUS payments. (NOTE: Assume that the outpatient deductible has already been satisfied for the fiscal year.)

EXAMPLE 1

- A physician charges a retiree \$1,200 for covered outpatient services and supplies and the CHAMPUS allowable charge is \$1,000.
- Insurance provided through the retiree's current employment pays \$200 of the \$1,200 charge, leaving \$1,000 to be paid.
- The physician has agreed on the CHAMPUS claim form, however, to participate -- to accept the payments of the beneficiary's and the Government's shares of the allowable charge as payment in full for the services provided.
- The CHAMPUS share of the allowable charge is \$750 (75 percent of \$1,000). CHAMPUS would pay \$750.
- The beneficiary's share of the allowable charge is \$250, however, since the other insurance has already paid \$200 the beneficiary will only have to pay \$50.
- If the physician had not agreed to participate the beneficiary would also have to pay an additional amount -- the \$200 by which the billed charge exceeded the allowable charge.

## EXAMPLE 2

- A physician charges a retiree \$1,000 for covered outpatient services and supplies and the CHAMPUS allowable charge is also \$1,000.
- Insurance provided through the retiree's current employment paid \$800, leaving \$200 to be paid.
- CHAMPUS pays the remaining \$200 since it is well within the amount (75 percent of the allowable charge, or \$750) that it would have paid if there were no other coverage.
- The \$800 paid by the other coverage could also have been used to satisfy the CHAMPUS outpatient deductible if it had not been paid already.

Family Members. If a sponsor has coverage through employment that includes other family members, all members of the family are considered to have coverage through employment. This is true even when the sponsor must pay an additional premium to cover other family members. The same is true for coverage through employment of another family member -- it also provides coverage through employment for the retired sponsor. Coverage through employment (either as an employee or dependent of an employee) is always primary to CHAMPUS.

## COVERAGE THROUGH AN ASSOCIATION

Coverage through an association means medical benefits that:

- o duplicates CHAMPUS benefits in whole or in part, and
- o is purchased through an association or similar organization (e.g., a trade union, farmers' group, etc.) of which the CHAMPUS beneficiary is or was a member.

The term does not apply to any plan specifically designed to supplement CHAMPUS benefits -- that is, a plan specifically designed to pay the CHAMPUS outpatient deductible and the beneficiary's "cost-share" amount under CHAMPUS. Supplementary coverage of this type does not affect CHAMPUS payments. Neither does entitlement to receive care from Uniformed Services medical facilities or the Veterans Administration.

Active Duty Dependents. The rules that apply to coverage through employment also apply to coverage through an association for spouses and children of active duty service members.

Retirees, Dependents of Retirees, Dependents of Deceased Active Duty Members and Retirees. The rules that apply to coverage through employment also apply to coverage through an association for other CHAMPUS beneficiaries.

Family Members. The rules that apply to coverage through employment also apply to coverage through an association for other family members.

#### COVERAGE THROUGH STUDENT STATUS

Coverage through student status means medical benefits coverage that:

- o duplicates CHAMPUS benefits in whole or in part, and
- o is purchased through a plan made available by the student's school.

Coverage through student status usually includes optional coverage that a student can elect to purchase or not purchase and coverage included in the school's tuition for which the student has no option. Care provided through a school's infirmary is not coverage through student status unless it is paid for through a group insurance plan purchased by the student either voluntarily or as part of the enrollment fee.

Coverage through student status does not apply to any plan specifically designed to supplement CHAMPUS benefits -- that is, a plan specifically designed to pay the CHAMPUS outpatient deductible and the beneficiary's share of the cost under CHAMPUS. Supplementary coverage of this type does not affect CHAMPUS payments. Neither does entitlement to receive care from Uniformed Services medical facilities or through the Veterans Administration.

Active Duty Dependents. The rules that apply to coverage through employment also apply to coverage through student status for spouses and children of active duty service members.

Retirees, Dependents of Retirees, and Dependents of Deceased Active Duty Members and Retirees. The rules that apply to coverage through employment also apply to coverage through student status for other CHAMPUS beneficiaries.

Family Members. The rules that apply to coverage through employment also apply to coverage through student status for other family members.

#### MEDICARE COVERAGE

Medicare is a Federal health insurance program for the people 65 years of age or older who qualify and for some people under age 65 who have a physical disability or chronic kidney disorder.

The program has two parts -- Hospital Insurance (Part A) and Supplementary Medical Insurance (Part B). Individuals who qualify have automatic entitlement to Part A and pay no premium for it. Certain persons who are not entitled to Part A may

voluntarily enroll and pay premiums for coverage. Enrollment in Part B is voluntary and also requires payment of a premium.

Active Duty Dependents. If the spouse or child of an active duty service member is entitled to Part A, Medicare benefits must be used before benefits can be considered under CHAMPUS. If any amount remains after Medicare payments are made, CHAMPUS may pay it -- up to the amount and for those services that CHAMPUS would have paid if there were no Medicare coverage.

The same rule applies to benefits available through Part B when the spouse or child of an active duty service member voluntarily enrolls for that part of Medicare.

Other Beneficiaries. By law, CHAMPUS eligibility comes to an end when any beneficiary other than a dependent of an active duty service member becomes entitled to Part A of Medicare. The law applies regardless of where the beneficiary lives. This is especially important for individuals living outside of the United States where Medicare cannot pay for health benefits.

Failure to purchase Part B by an individual who is entitled to Part A does not reinstate CHAMPUS eligibility for any benefits, including those covered by Part B.

A CHAMPUS beneficiary who becomes entitled to Part A before age 65 because of a physical disability or chronic kidney condition may later lose this entitlement because the problem has improved. Eligibility for CHAMPUS benefits is reinstated when entitlement to Part A ends, if all other requirements for CHAMPUS eligibility are met. For reinstatement, the individual should apply to the appropriate Uniformed Service for a new Uniformed Services Identification Card (ID Card) indicating CHAMPUS eligibility.

Additional Information. The effects of entitlement to Medicare on CHAMPUS benefits are discussed in more detail in another fact sheet of this series -- FS-5, "The Effects of Medicare."

#### WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE

Expenses for medical care related to job-connected illness or injury that are paid by a workers' compensation program or can be paid by such a program are not covered by CHAMPUS. Individuals must apply for benefits in such cases under the applicable workers' compensation law. No CHAMPUS benefit is payable unless the workers' compensation medical benefits are exhausted, in which case, regular CHAMPUS benefits become applicable.

This rule applies to all categories of CHAMPUS beneficiaries, including dependents of active duty service members, since Workers' Compensation Programs cover all cost in connection with a work-related illness or injury.

## MEDICAID COVERAGE

Medicaid extends its benefits to public assistance recipients and those who are medically indigent. It is not the intent of CHAMPUS to require any category of beneficiaries to resort to a welfare program before CHAMPUS. Entitlement to Medicaid, therefore, does not affect CHAMPUS payments. Payments are made by CHAMPUS without considering any benefits that might be available under Medicaid. Medicaid will usually supplement CHAMPUS payments by paying the beneficiary's cost-share and deductible amounts.

## OTHER COVERAGE BY LAW

The rules that apply to coverage through employment also apply to coverage through any Government program established by law except as otherwise specifically described in this fact sheet in connection with Medicare, Workers' Compensation Programs, Medicaid, and Veterans Administration programs.

## EXCLUSIONARY CLAUSES

Some insurance policies held by CHAMPUS beneficiaries have exclusionary clauses that prohibit payment if the beneficiary is covered under any Federal program. If the policies are provided through employment, through an association, through student status, or by law, these clause may conflict with the provision of the law that requires CHAMPUS beneficiaries to use other insurance before turning to CHAMPUS. The exclusionary clause applies to all beneficiary categories except for active duty dependents. Benefits cannot be considered under CHAMPUS, in spite of any such conflicting provisions, until benefits of the other coverage are applied.

There is one area of exception to this rule. CHAMPUS is the "first payor" if:

- o the exclusionary clause was contained in the other coverage before October 1, 1966, the date the CHAMPUS provision became law, and
- o the beneficiary was enrolled in the other coverage before October 1, 1966, and
- o the beneficiary has been continuously enrolled (without a break), and
- o there has been no changes (except for rate changes) since October 1, 1966, in the other coverage's carrier or benefits and
- o the other coverage has not changed from a self-insured to an insured program since October 1, 1966.

## PRIVATELY PURCHASED PLAN

A CHAMPUS beneficiary may decide to enroll in a private, non-group medical benefits plan that is not made available through employment, through an association, through student status, or by law. For purposes of this fact sheet, such a plan is called a "privately purchased plan." It affects CHAMPUS coverage only in that CHAMPUS will not make a payment for a service or supply already paid by the private plan.

## INCOME PROTECTION PLANS

Payments under group income protection plans that pay a fixed sum per day, week, or month while the beneficiary is disabled have no effect on CHAMPUS payments, provided the payments are not related to medical care received.

## CLAIMS

When submitting a CHAMPUS claim, a beneficiary must provide information about any other health plan coverage he or she has. The information should include:

- o The full name and address of the other coverage plan
- o Source of the other coverage, such as employment, private purchase, membership in a group, provided by law
- o Name and address of the beneficiary's employer if the other coverage is through employment
- o Identification number and/or group number of the other coverage
- o A copy of the explanation of benefits or payment worksheet from the other coverage which shows the amount paid

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information about the effects of other health plan coverage on CHAMPUS benefits can be obtained from one of the following:

- o The CHAMPUS advisor or Health Benefits Advisor at a Uniformed Service medical facility
- o The Fiscal Intermediary that processes claims in your geographic area
- o OCHAMPUS, Aurora, CO 80045
- o OCHAMPUSEUR, APO New York 09102 or, for those who cannot use the APO system, OCHAMPUSEUR, 144 Karlsruherstr., 6900 Heidelberg, FRG (For countries in Africa and the Middle East as well as those in the U.S. European Command)

- o OCHAMPUSPAC, Hawaii Medical Services Association, P.O. Box 860 Honolulu, Hawaii 96808 (for those in the Pacific)
- o OCHAMPUSSO, Mutual of Omaha, CHAMPUS Program, Mutual of Omaha Plaza, Omaha, NE 68175
- o The Surgeon General of your Uniformed Service

A copy of the Department of Defense CHAMPUS Regulation (DoD 6010.8-R) may be reviewed in the office of a CHAMPUS advisor or Health Benefits Advisor or a copy can be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402 (Stock No. 008 001 00102-9).

#### SPECIAL INFORMATION -- DEERS

The Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) is a new way of verifying who is entitled to direct health care at military and Public Health Service hospitals and clinics. It will be used also to verify eligibility for CHAMPUS benefits.

DEERS is a mandatory enrollment system which ultimately will affect about nine million people -- active duty and retired service members and their dependents and eligible survivors. Enrollment procedures started in February 1980 and are expected to be completed in the United States by March 1982 and worldwide by October 1983.

Active duty and retired service members are enrolled automatically by each of the Uniformed Services, based on service records. Enrollment for dependents and eligible survivors, however, is the responsibility of the sponsor or the survivor.

Uniformed Services sponsors (active duty and retired) and eligible survivors will be notified when enrollment is being carried out in their area. At that time everyone is urged to cooperate fully and readily with the enrollment effort.

As enrollment is completed in a given area a person's eligibility for medical benefits in the direct care system will be verified by means of the DEERS computers. The capabilities of the system also will be made available to all CHAMPUS claims processors for the purpose of verifying eligibility for CHAMPUS benefits.

DEERS is aimed at improving the management and administration of the Uniformed Services medical care system and eliminating waste and fraudulent practices. Further, the system is expected to reduce the number of CHAMPUS claims that have to be returned because of inaccurate or inadequate eligibility information.

In summary, DEERS will provide better health care management and planning for all eligible people in the Uniformed Services

community. It will also serve to protect and preserve the health care benefits to which Uniformed Services personnel and their dependents are entitled.

# FY82 NOAA FLEET ALLOCATION PLAN

REVISED MARCH 31, 1981

Approved: K. J. Taggan Date: 4/9/81  
 Chairman, NOAA FAC

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# NOAA CORPS BULLETIN

OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Volume 11, Number 7

1 July 1981

## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

The topics of career planning and promotion are seldom far from the minds of commissioned officers. This is particularly true in recent years as the rate of promotion has begun to slow. As most of you are aware, the Corps has recently ended a period of growth that lasted through the years 1963 to 1977; during this period the retention rate of several year groups has been high. Because all new appointees entered the Corps below the grade of lieutenant commander, this growth was accompanied by a period of accelerated promotions that continued until 1978. Since then, we have made fewer appointments each year and, with a fixed grade distribution, the time required for promotion into the upper grades is normalizing. However, with the attrition rate experienced throughout the grades in recent years, it may not be possible to maintain a balanced flow of officers up through the structure relying totally on natural attrition. We are, in fact, developing several more officers for each successively smaller senior grade than the pyramidal grade structure will accommodate. The Administration's recent decision to reduce government employment further compounds the situation because the Corps will also be reducing in strength.

In recent months, I have worked closely with the Officer Personnel Board and the NC staff in examining the Corps' grade distribution problems and promotion policies and procedures. We have come to agreement that it will be necessary to initiate certain changes to current policies in order to maintain a healthy officer personnel system.

I am approving two changes to the Corps' management effective October 1, 1981, that will provide relief to an approaching grade stagnation problem and also permit the appointment of a necessary level of new officers into the Corps.

1. As a result of the Corps' FY 1981-1982 reduction in personnel ceiling from 380 to 365 (7 civilians and 358 officers), we will no longer be able to promote throughout the grades on the basis of our full authorized strength and still appoint viable levels of new officers. Beginning on October 1, 1981, we will distribute the net reduction of 15 positions among all grades in order to maintain the necessary

inflow of new appointees. For the foreseeable future, promotions will be made on the basis of the following grade distribution:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Number</u>
06	31
05	54
04	74
03	89
02	70
01	40
Total:	<u>358</u>

2. To provide for continued balance in promotion opportunity, institute 30-year retirement at the 06 level if not otherwise promoted or selected for continuation. This measure is currently in effect in other uniformed services as a means of managing a balanced promotion system. Changes to NOAA regulations (NDM 56-47) will be implemented in August 1981.

In addition, during the review of officers within a promotion zone, the Officer Personnel Board will be guided by the needs of the service for officers of the next grade, as well as the need to maintain a balanced flow throughout the grade structure. The Corps' grade distribution, which pyramids sharply in the upper grades, is designed to provide at each grade more officers who are qualified to serve in the next grade than the billets require. The structure is designed as a competitive system where the most outstanding are selected and in which the numbers that can be selected will vary with the requirement of the times and needs of the service in the particular grade concerned. As grade stagnation becomes real, selection for promotion will get to be more competitive and may result in the passover of some officers for promotion. As usual, selections will be based upon an estimate of potential to perform the broader requirements of the next higher grade.

Next month we will report on the status of other actions to improve the management and utilization of the Corps in response to the Administrator's December 3, 1980, memorandum on that subject to all officers. Criteria for promotion to senior level officers will be expanded upon in that Bulletin.

#### SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Those officers receiving Letters of Commendation, as a result of the 1981 annual review of the lineal list, are so indicated at the end of the Personnel Section of this BULLETIN.

#### ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - National Weather Service, Ocean Service Units -  
6 positions Washington, DC, Slidel, Louisiana, Anchorage, Alaska  
 Rank - Ens. - Cdr.

#### Introduction

The National Weather Service will establish three Ocean Service Units (OSU) in the near future. The OSU's will provide new and improved real-time meteorological and

oceanographic products and services to mariners, fishermen, and the general public. Other activities include product improvement, liaison with other government agencies and maritime interests in the private sector, data acquisition, and communications.

### Requirements

Educational or scientific background in meteorology, oceanography, or the physical sciences is preferred. Experience should include at least one tour of sea duty. A familiarity with computer programming, communications, or instrumentation is desirable. The candidate is expected to work routinely with the public.

### Duties and Responsibilities

The billet may involve any of the activities of the OSU, depending on the background and interests of the officer. The activities of each OSU will include:

1. Preparation and dissemination of routine offshore and coastal marine forecasts.
2. Evaluation of weather satellite and conventional data and production of analyses of sea surface temperature and oceanic fronts.
3. Preparation and issuance of warnings, advisories and statements.
4. Through evaluation of user requirements and assessment of meteorological and oceanographic problems, develops services and procedures that will enhance NWS to the maritime community.
5. Consultation with the public and specialized users on meteorological and oceanographic details as it affects their operational activities and provides in-depth interpretations and advice upon request.
6. Coordination and liaison with marine groups and other federal, state, and local agencies through visits, attendance at user's conferences and meetings, lectures, seminars, weather and marine training sessions to determine user requirements for meteorological and oceanographic information and dissemination.
7. Provides specialized support to government and research vessels, search and rescue missions, oil and hazardous substance spills, clean-up operations, and other "spot" forecasts as requested.

### Contact

For further information please call Cdr. Richard J. DeRycke, FTS 427-7279.

Assignment Opening - National Marine Fisheries Service  
Southwest Fisheries Center  
La Jolla, California

Rank - Lt. (jg) - Lt. Cdr.

### Introduction

This position is with the Marine Mammal Assessment and Monitoring Program within the Oceanic Fisheries Resources Division. This group is responsible for assessing the status of dolphin stocks impacted by the tuna purse seine fishery in the eastern tropical Pacific. Population data are collected from research aircraft, NOAA research vessels and chartered fishing vessels.

### Duties

The officer will be directly involved in development and implementation of techniques which will effect improvements in our research vessel sighting methods. Improvements or alternative methods needed are related to vessel searching procedures, observer sighting procedures, data recording procedures and methods of estimating distance and angle to sighted cetaceans. It is anticipated that these techniques will be applied and tested during ship surveys in 1982, 1983 and 1984. The incumbent will take an active lead in these cruises and will be Chief Scientist on some of them.

Additionally, the officer may have supervisory duties for designing, coordinating, staffing, and implementing marine mammal surveys in the eastern tropical Pacific and off the California coast using both aerial and ship platforms. The officer will provide expertise in the analyses of field data and will assist or complete written reports for publication in appropriate journals.

### Requirements

BS or MS in marine biology or engineering. Special interest in development of new methods of estimating distance to sighted cetacean is needed. Experience in planning or participation in at sea operations will be useful.

### Supervision

The officer will be under the direct supervision of the Leader of the Porpoise Population Absolute Abundance Task.

### Contact

For further information, contact Dr. Rennie Holt, phone: (714) 453-2820.

### STUDENT TRAINEE PROGRAM

The 1981 NOAA Corps Student Trainees are reporting to their summer assignments. Accordingly, this is a good opportunity to remind the Corps that these students were selected on the basis of their academic background along with their potential for becoming Corps officers. If we are to succeed in our affirmative action program as well as attract highly sought after engineering professionals, programs of this nature must be successful.

Each of you has a part in the success that the Corps has in recruiting these students after graduation. Obviously, their experience with Corps officers will have a permanent effect on this effort. The following information about this year's student trainees is provided for your reference:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
*Dennis C. Jefferson	Civil Eng.	SC State College	PEIRCE
*Marvin L. Hurt	Mech. Eng.	Penn. State Univ.	AMC/MED
*Diana O. Durieux	Biology	Univ. of Calif.	RAINIER
*Lathesia Hall	Biology	Florida Inst. of Tech.	RAINIER
Martha L. Jones	Civil Eng.	Clemson Univ.	FAIRWEATHER
Anthony J. Cox	Civil Eng.	Clemson Univ.	MCARTHUR
Margaret R. Glenn	Civil Eng.	Clemson Univ.	RESEARCHER

\*Indicates repeat participation

Additionally, a Co-op Student is also assigned this summer.

Walter J. Zvikas	Meteorology	Penn. State Univ.	Hydrographic Survey Branch
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#### TRAVEL TIPS

As of June 1, 1981, the most that an officer may be reimbursed for food and incidentals, while on temporary duty in a high-cost area, is 50% of the high-cost maximum for that area. Itemization is required for such expenses. In addition to food and incidentals, lodging cost, documented with receipt, may be added on such that the total reimbursement does not exceed the maximum.

#### VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - I am currently rated 40 percent service connected for my disability by the Veterans Administration, and I recently got married. Can I get additional money by claiming my wife as my dependent?

Answer - Veterans who are rated 30 percent or more do receive additional funds for dependents. Contact the nearest VA office for details.

Question - What is the maximum amount I can pay for a home using a Veterans Administration guaranteed home loan?

Answer - The VA guarantees loans obtained by the veteran from private lenders. There is no established maximum purchase price for a home. However, no loan guaranteed by the VA may exceed the reasonable property value as determined by a VA appraiser.

#### I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Capt. Charles H. Nixon from Office of the Sea Grant, University of Rhode Island to the OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, as the Deputy Director. (October 1981)

Cdr. John K. Callahan from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL to Office of the NOAA Corps, Program Planning, Liaison, and Training Division. (September 1981)

Lt. Cdr. William T. Turnbull from the Office of Resource Coordination and Assessment to the RD, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory, Office of the Director. (June 1981)

Lt. Cdr. Donald D. Winter from Full-time University Training to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ships RUDE and HECK. (October 1981)

Lt. John M. Tokar from the RD, Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratory to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER. (January 1982)

Lt. Kenneth G. Vadnais from the OA/NOS, Aeronautical Charting and Cartography to the OA/NWS, Office of Hydrology, Aeronautical Gamma Radiation Snow Survey Project. (October 1981)

Lt. (jg) Michael Matta from the Northwest Administrative Services Office to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR. (June 1981)

Ens. Scott J. Ferguson from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER. (To be determined by Director, PMC)

Ens. Richard E. Groff from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR. (To be determined by the Director, PMC)

## II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

### CAPTAIN

Umbach, Melvin J., from the NOAA Undersea Research Program Office to the OA/NOS, Office of Marine Surveys and Maps, Rockville, MD.

### COMMANDER

Land, Ralph J., from OA/NOS, Office of Oceanography to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER as the Commanding Officer.

Newell, Richard E., from the Office of Public Affairs, Boulder, CO, to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER as the Executive Officer.

Molyneaux, Charles Y., from the NMFS, Mississippi Laboratory to the NMFS, Fisheries Development Division, as Energy Coordinator and Vessel Safety and Insurance Officer, Washington, DC.

### LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

Bodnar, Andrew N., Jr., from the OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center to the OA/NOS, Office of Oceanography and Water Level Division, Rockville, MD.

Arnold, Russell C., from the OA/NOS, National Geodetic Survey to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ships RUDE and HECK.

Harman, Patrick D., from the RD/ERL, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory to the OA/Ocean Technology and Engineering Services, NOAA Data Buoy Office, Seattle, WA.

Seymour, Edward E., from RD/ERL, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory to the Northwest Administrative Service Office, Seattle, WA.

LIEUTENANT

Sigrist, Dennis J., from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to the RD, Office of Marine Pollution Assessment, Data Information Management Group, Seattle, WA.

Williscroft, Robert G., from OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to RD/ERL, Geophysical Monitoring for Climatic Change, Boulder, CO.

Petersen, David H., from OA/NOS, NOAA Ships RUDE and HECK to the OA/NOS, Office of Marine Surveys and Maps, Hydrographic Surveys Division, Rockville, MD.

Waltz, David A., from OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA.

Bunn, Alan R., from NMFS, Pascagoula Laboratory to the OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Fisheries Augmentation duty with assignment to Pascagoula, MS.

Kenny, Maureen R., from OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA.

Howard, David K., from OA/NOS, Office of Marine Operations to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING.

Latimer, Walter P., from the RD, Space Environment Laboratory to the Culgoora Observatory, Narrabri, Australia.

Ludwig, Susan J., from the RD/ERL, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL.

Consiglieri, Lewis D., from NMFS, Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center to OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center Fisheries Augmentation Pool, Seattle, WA.

LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

Blackwell, John W., from OA/NOS, NOAA Diving Office, Seattle, WA to OA/NOS, Office of Marine Operations, NOAA Diving Office, Rockville, MD.

Rulon, Timothy D., from Ocean Technology and Engineering Services to the OA/NOS, Office of Marine Operations, Electronics Engineering Division, Rockville, MD.

Fox, Lyle B., from RD, Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratories to OA/NOS, Southeast Marine Support Facility, Miami, FL.

Petrae, Gary D., from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ to OA/NOS, Office of Oceanography, Rockville, MD.

ENSIGN

Aldridge, Andrew J., IV, from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship TOWNSEND CROMWELL.

III. PROMOTIONS

Steven E. Tullis	LT	6/09/81
Peter J. Celone	LTJG	6/09/81
Richard E. Groff	LTJG	6/11/81

IV. APPOINTMENTS

None

V. RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS APPROVED

## Retirements

John W. DeCoste	CDR	10/01/81
Ronald M. Buffington	CAPT	11/01/81
Robert A. Trauschke	CAPT	1/01/82

## Resignations

Robert B. Crowell	LTJG	11/30/81
Michael J. Kretsch	LT	1/31/82

VI. RETIREMENTS

Darrell W. Crawford	CDR	7/01/81
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VII. RESIGNATIONS

Stephen L. Poole	LT	6/08/81
Douglas G. Brockhouse	LTJG	6/10/81
Charles I. Zigelman	LTJG	6/30/81
Douglas D. Smith	LTJG	6/30/81
William D. Otto	LT	6/30/81

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO LINEAL LIST

None

IX. ON BOARD STRENGTH AS OF 1 JULY 1981 - 367ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE 70TH OFFICER TRAINING CLASS

Craig L. Bailey	Ensign	NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER
Russell E. Brainard	Ensign	NOAA Ship DISCOVERER
Sharon K. Christopherson	Ensign	NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN
Joanna F. Flanders	Ensign	NOAA Ship RAINIER
Roslyn B. Harris	Ensign	NOAA Ship PEIRCE
Richard B. Koehler	Ensign	NOAA Ship RAINIER
Frank J. Migaiolo	Ensign	NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER
Amy E. Orris	Ensign	NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL
Mark E. Poeschl	Ensign	NOAA Ship PEIRCE
Paul J. Ruiz	Ensign	NOAA Ship WHITING
Thomas P. Wilus	Ensign	NOAA Ship McARTHUR

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Lt. Cdr. Arthur N. Flior  
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Lt. Cdr. Bradford B. Meyers  
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Lt. Craig P. Berg  
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Lt. Richard E. Marriner, II  
Lt. Roger A. Morris  
Lt. James W. O'Clock  
Lt. John M. Tokar  
Lt. Edward M. Clark, Jr.  
Lt. Neal G. Millett  
Lt. David L. Gardner  
Lt. Stephen C. Jameson  
Lt. Kent A. Doggett  
Lt. Kenneth G. Vadnais  
Lt. David M. Goodrich  
Lt. E. Scott Varney  
Lt. Susan J. Ludwig  
Lt. Steven E. Tullis  
Lt. (jg) Lawrence F. Simoneaux  
Lt. (jg) Mark P. Koehn  
Lt. (jg) Timothy D. Rulon  
Lt. (jg) Douglas D. Smith  
Lt. (jg) John C. Clary, III  
Lt. (jg) David J. Kruth  
Lt. (jg) J. Scott Ferguson

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# NOAA CORPS LOCATION ROSTER

OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

JUNE 1981

<u>LN#</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>LOC.CD.</u>	<u>DT O.C. CHNG</u>	<u>DUTIES</u>	<u>Nxt/LstAsgn</u>	<u>SCHED.RPT</u>
<u>OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR</u>						
193	SARB	ES	81/05/01		OA/Cx3	81/08
<u>NOAA Corps</u>						
	TAGGART	NC	80/11/16	Director		
<u>Commissioned Personnel Division</u>						
45	DROPP	NC1	79/02/16	Chief		
101	SELLERS	NC1	81/03/16	AssgnCoord		
247	RICE	NC1	78/01/01	RecCoord	PE	81/09
<u>Program Planning, Liaison &amp; Training Division</u>						
13	BURROUGHS	NC2	81/04/16	Chief		
48	CARLEN	NC2	78/07/16	Ft. Sill		
70	GERISH	NC2	80/01/01	FUT NPGS		
94	DUERNBERGER	NC2	81/08/01	AFSC	KE	81/08
97	MULHERN	NC2	80/09/16	FUT U WA		
107	SULOFF	NC2	81/01/16	FUT GWU		
115	MILLS	NC2	78/09/01	Inst NPGS		
121	MEYERS	NC2	79/01/16	VNX8 Pax		
121.1	SCHIRO	NC2	80/08/01	FUT TexA&M		
128	WOOD	NC2	79/09/16	FUT U OR		
134	YEAGER	NC2	81/05/01	NSTL		
146	PERMENTER	NC2	80/01/01	FUT U WA		
146.2	EILERS	NC2	81/05/01	VXN-8		
153	ARNOLD	NC2	81/05/01	NAVOP952		
154	WINTER	NC2	79/08/01	FUT NPGS	RH	81/10
157.1	LAWRENCE	NC2		FUT UofWA	RD/MP	81/09
171.7	HOLDEN	NC2		FUT NPGS	CH	81/09

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192	JACKSON	NC2			OA/CPM1	81/09
207	WALTZ	NC2	81/07/01	FUT NPGS		
214	SCHOMAKER	NC2	81/07/16	FUT NPGS	OA/C171	81/09
224	LILLESTOLEN	NC2		FUT UofRI	KE	81/10
228	KENNY	NC2	81/07/01	FUT NPGS	OA/CAM3	81/09
237	PARSONS	NC2	80/07/01	FUT NPGS		
245	NEWELL	NC2	79/09/16	FUT NPGS	DA	81/10
248	WHEATON	NC2	80/07/16	FUT NPGS		
255	MINKEL	NC2	80/11/16	FUT NPGS		

Officer Training Center

	HARRIS	NC21		OTC 70	PE	81/07
	BAILEY			OTC 70	FW	81/07
	CHRISTOPHERSON	NC21		OTC 70	MF	81/07
	FLANDERS	NC21		OTC 70	RA	81/07
	KOEHLER	NC21		OTC 70	RA	81/07
	MAGAIOLO	NC21		OTC 70		
	ORRIS	NC21		OTC 70	MI	81/07
	RUIZ	NC21		OTC 70	WH	81/07
	WILUS	NC21		OTC 70	AR	81/07
	BRAINARD	NC21		OTC 70	DI	81/07
	POESCHL	NC21		OTC 70	PE	81/07
57	WYZEWSKI	NC21	80/10/01	OIC		
271	WILDER	NC21	81/04/06	TrngOfcr		
303	ZIGELMAN	NC21	80/07/01	TrngOfcr	Resign	81/06

Policy & Planning

41	ALLBRITTON	PP	80/01/01			
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<u>OFFICE OF FISHERIES</u>						
33	PETERSEN	F/SR	81/03/01			
68	MOLYNEAUX	F/UD1	81/06/16		F/SEC2	81/07
258	BARONE	F/MM1	77/08/01		TC	82/02
289	STANGL	Fx5	79/09/01			
<u>Northwest &amp; Alaska Fisheries Center</u>						
40	FLEMING	F/NWC	80/12/01			
157	KISSAM	F/NWC8	80/06/16			
160	GORES	F/NWC5	78/08/16		TC	82/07
173	MERCER	F/NWC1	80/08/01			
196	CAVIN	F/NWC	80/12/01	OBSV		
259	CONSIGLIERI	F/NWC3	78/07/01		OA/CPM1	81/06
262	CONRAD	F/NWC3	79/01/01			
301	EDWARDS	F/NWC1	80/06/01			
341	TRIMBLE	F/NWC		MarMam	FA	82/01
<u>Southeast Fisheries Center</u>						
68	MOLYNEAUX	F/SEC2	80/09/16		F/UDI	81/07
292	PRINGLE	F/SEC	79/11/01	Miami		
304	CLARY	F/SEC6	80/07/01	Galveston		
<u>Northeast Fisheries Center</u>						
95	BERMAN	F/NEC5	79/09/01	Oxford MD		
109.1	SMOLOWITZ	F/NEC	77/07/16	Woods Hole		
180	PAWLOWSKI	F/NEC1	81/04/01	Woods Hole		
251	GROSS	F/NEC1	78/03/16	Woods Hole	OA/CAM1	81/09
269	MOAKLEY	F/NEC6	79/01/01	Gloucester		
270	SUTTON	F/NEC1	78/10/01	Woods Hole		

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305	SHEPARD	F/NEC	80/12/01	Woods Hole		
<u>Southwest Fisheries Center</u>						
108	HEWITT	F/SWC	79/11/16	LaJolla		
126.1	NELSON	F/SWC4	80/08/16	Monterey		
146.1	PERRYMAN	F/SWC1	75/12/16	LaJolla	MF	82/01
225	SULLIVAN	F/SWC1	77/07/16	LaJolla		
253	RUTTEN	F/SWC3	78/05/01	Tiburon		
254	JEMISON	F/SWC2	78/07/16	Honolulu		
312	PLOTKIN	F/SWC3	81/01/01	Tiburon		
<u>OFFICE OF COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT</u>						
<u>Sanctuary Programs Office</u>						
236	JAMESON	CZ/SP	79/01/16			
<u>OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT &amp; BUDGET</u>						
<u>Office of the Administrative Operations</u>						
<u>Facilities &amp; Services Division</u>						
15	NEWSOM	MB/A02	81/03/16	Chief		
<u>Northwest Administrative Service Office</u>						
168	SEYMOUR	MB/NW	81/06/01			
<u>OFFICE OF RESEARCH &amp; DEVELOPMENT</u>						
24	ALDERMAN	RD12	77/11/16			
31	MORAN	RD	81/08/16		RD/RF61	81/09
105	HUNT	RD	79/04/01	IGOSS Paris		
<u>Office of Marine Pollution Assessment</u>						
1	BARBEE	RD/MP	80/06/01	Deputy		
29	SWANSON	RD/MP	78/12/01	Director		
76	ALBRIGHT	RD/MPF25	81/05/01	Seattle		
87	KAWKA	RD/MPF26	80/04/16	Stoney Brook		

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93.2	ROUSH	RD/MPF25	78/01/16	Seattle	TC	81/06
122	KEISTER	RD/MPF25	79/08/01	Seattle		
126.1	LOUNSBERY	RD/MPF25	78/08/16	Seattle		
139	WESCOTT	RD/MPF24	79/01/01	Anchorage		
147	MEYER	RD/MP	80/07/01	Rockville		
157.1	LAWRENCE	RD/MP	81/03/16	Sand Point	NC2	81/09
178	SIGRIST	RD/MP3	81/06/16			
186.1	CAVA	RD/MP	80/08/01	Rockville		
197	ALBERTSON	RD/MPF24	80/06/16	Juneau		
242	KIRCH	RD/MPF25	80/07/16	Seattle		
246	GOODRICH	RD/MPF2	77/12/16	Stony Brook	FE	81/12
281.1	MEZGER	RD/MP3	79/11/01	Boulder		
306	RODSTEIN	RD/MPF29	80/10/16	Boulder		
<u>Environmental Research Laboratories</u>						
76.1	BUSH	RD/Rx3	81/08/01		DI	81/09
130	PENRY	RD/Rx3	79/12/01			
201	OTTO	RD/R	77/12/01		Resign	81/06
298	DEMUTH	RD/R	80/04/01		DI	
<u>Office of Weather Research &amp; Modification</u>						
268	HISCOX	RD/Rx9	81/05/01			
<u>Atlantic Oceanographic &amp; Meteorological Laboratories</u>						
135.1	ADAMS	RD/RF2	81/01/16			
<u>Ocean Chemistry Laboratory</u>						
229	TOKAR	RD/RF201	79/12/16		RE	82/01
<u>Marine Geology &amp; Geophysical Laboratory</u>						
76.2	STUBBLEFIELD	RD/RF202	79/06/01			

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136	MANZO	RD/RF202	79/07/16	DepDir		
283	FOX	OA/CAMx1	81/06/01			
297.1	HILLARD	RD/RF202	79/09/01			
313	MALLETTE	RD/RF202	80/12/01			
<u>Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory</u>						
119	TURNBULL	RD/RF28	81/06/01			
150	KAISER	RD/RF28	81/01/16			
185	WITHROW	RD/RF28	78/01/16			
200	LAGERLOEF	RD/RF28	78/07/16			
212	PARSONS	RD/RF28	81/05/16			
235	GARDNER	RD/RF28	79/01/16			
257	LUDWIG	RD/RF28	78/07/01		RA	81/07
<u>Air Resources Laboratories</u>						
191	WILLISCROFT	RD/R3292	81/06/16	Boulder	OA/CAMx5	81/06
226	OSBORN	RD/R32	77/06/16	Boulder		
267	BORTNIAK	RD/R3293	78/07/16	Hilo		
321	McFEE	RD/RF3292	80/05/16	Antarctica		
<u>Space Environment Laboratory</u>						
104	THOMAS	RD/R43	78/01/16			
218	O'CLOCK	RD/R43	78/03/01	Australia		
239	DOGGETT	RD/R43	77/10/16	Australia		
256	LATIMER	RD/R43	80/12/16	Boulder	Australia	81/07
256	LATIMER	RD/R43		Australia	Boulder	81/07
265	TULLIS	RD/R43	78/12/01			
<u>Research Facilities Center</u>						
31	MORAN	RD/RF61	74/10/16	Pilot	RD	81/09

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61	NOBLE	RD/RF61	77/04/16	Pilot		
69	MANDELKERN	RD/RF61	80/03/16	Pilot		
73	GENZLINGER	RD/RF61	78/01/16	Pilot		
151	BARNHILL	RD/RF61	79/09/16	Navigator		
172	NELSON	RD/RF61	78/05/16	Pilot		
180.1	CHRISTMAN	RD/RF61	78/05/16	Pilot		
202	HARRIGAN	RD/RF61	77/08/16	Helopilot		
232	VAN DEN BERG	RD/RF61	79/05/21	Helopilot		
252	DAVIS	RD/RF61	80/10/01	Helopilot		
264	COX	RD/RF61	80/09/01	Navigator		

Sea Grant

22	NIXON	RD/SG	80/11/16	U of RI	OA/CAMx0	81/10
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OFFICE OF OCEANIC & ATMOSPHERIC SERVICES

83	GRUNTHAL	OA	80/12/16			
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Ocean Technology & Engineering Services

159	HARMAN	OA/TE4	81/06/01			
230	CLARK	OA/TE	80/12/01	Wilmington		
281	RULON	OA/TE	80/10/01		OA/C7	81/07

National Weather Service

42	DeRYCKE	OA/W161	76/08/01	OceoSvc		
90	LILLY	OA/WSFO	79/11/16	Seattle		
174	YANAWAY	OA/WSFO	80/03/01	Seattle		
272	DAUGHERTY	OA/WFP	79/01/16	Honolulu		
277	KOEHN	OA/WSFO	79/12/16	Seattle		

National Ocean Survey

	LIPPOLD	OA/C	79/08/01	Director		
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4	McCAFFREY	OA/Cx6	80/10/01	SpecAsst		
12	MOBLEY	OA/C		DirStaff	RA	81/07
23	YEAGER	OA/Cx3	80/07/16			
33.1	HAYES	OA/Cx2	80/01/01	SpecAsst		
39	GANSE	OA/Cx4	80/10/01			
193	SARB	OA/Cx3			ES	81/08
<u>National Geodetic Survey</u>						
9	MILLER	OA/C1	78/12/01	Columbia SC		
25	BOSSLER	OA/C1	72/11/16	Director		
52	JOHNSON	OA/C1x1	81/01/16	Deputy		
<u>Operations Division</u>						
118	LAPINE	OA/C17	78/08/16	Chief		
260	GREENAWALT	OA/C17	78/11/16			
<u>Mobile Field Duty</u>						
214	SCHOMAKER	OA/C171			NC2	81/09
223	LEIGH	OA/C171	77/12/16	G19	PE	81/09
319	LONG	OA/C171	81/04/01	Deputy		
<u>Office of Oceanography</u>						
11	HULL	OA/C2	79/01/16	Director		
27	PATRICK	OA/C2x1	81/01/01	Deputy		
32	FLORWICK	OA/C2x2	79/07/01	ProgCoord		
121.2	SCHNEBELE	OA/C2x4	79/10/01			
192.1	SIMPSON	OA/C2x7	80/07/01			
243	SAGALOW	OA/C2			FE	82/02
325	HOLLOMAN	OA/C2		SandyHook	KE	81/10
328	BLAND	OA/C2			WH	81/12

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<u>Marine Environmental Services Division</u>						
144	TRACY	0A/C21	80/01/16	OpsOfcr		
317	PETRAE	0A/C211	81/07/01		KE	81/06
<u>Tides &amp; Water Levels Division</u>						
93.1	SPILLMAN	0A/C231	79/10/01		FE	81/09
109.2	BODNAR	0A/C23	81/06/01	Chief		
169	JOHNSON	0A/C231	81/07/01			
<u>Marine Surveys &amp; Maps</u>						
2	LANIER	0A/C3	79/10/01	AssocDir		
20	MIDGLEY	0A/C3x1	80/07/16	Deputy		
21	UMBACH	0A/C3x2	81/06/01	ProgCoord		
56	VANDERMEULEN	0A/C3x4	79/07/01			
<u>Marine Data Systems Project</u>						
84	PFEIFER	0A/C31	12/01/80			
129	BASS	0A/C31	79/01/16			
290	ROBERTS	0A/C31	79/07/16			
<u>Marine Chart Division</u>						
7	POSEY	0A/C32	79/06/15	Chief		
53	BROWN	0A/C32x2	76/10/01			
140	NORRIS	0A/C32x2	79/08/16			
234	MILLETT	0A/C324	81/01/01	Coast Pilot		
311	ROSS	0A/32x3	81/01/16			
<u>Photogrammetry Division</u>						
52.1	SIMMONS	0A/C34	79/01/16	Chief		
110.1	MULLER	0A/C3411	78/03/01			
137	WEHLING	0A/C3411	79/11/01			

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167	BERGNER	OA/C3411	81/01/01			
171.2	LAYDON	OA/C3411	78/12/16			
205	TENNESEN	OA/C3411	81/02/16			
221	BRADLEY	OA/C3411	79/07/16			
<u>Hydrographic Surveys Division</u>						
65	SCHAEFER	OA/C35	79/09/01	Chief		
109	RICHARDS	OA/C351	80/06/16			
210	IWAMOTO	OA/C351	79/11/01			
<u>Aeronautical Charting &amp; Cartography</u>						
16	SALADIN	OA/C4x1		Deputy	OC	TBD
19	SANDQUIST	OA/C4x1	77/06/16	Deputy	DI	81/08
<u>Aeronautical Chart Division</u>						
103	FLIOR	OA/C4x4	80/04/01	AsstChief		
181	VOSE	OA/C42	79/10/16	FltTrng		
220	PHILIPPSBORN	OA/C42	79/03/01	FltEdit		
241	VADNAIS	OA/C42	78/03/01	FltEdit		
279	FINKE	OA/C42	79/10/01	FltEdit		
280	McCANN	OA/C42	80/10/01	FltTrng		
<u>Program Development &amp; Management</u>						
<u>Scientific Services Division</u>						
192.2	PETERSON	OA/C351	81/06/16			
<u>Program Development Division</u>						
114	PRAHL	OA/C52	80/11/16	Chief		
<u>Marine Operations</u>						
	MUNSON	OA/C7	79/09/01	AssocDirector		
18	GRUNWELL	OA/C7x1	80/11/16	Deputy		

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34	BRADLY	0A/C7x4	79/09/01	FltInsp0ff		
44	ANDREASEN	0A/C7x6	78/01/16	LaborRel& ProgDevelop		
77	NORTH	0A/C7x6	80/10/01	LaborRel& ProgDevelop		
88	SMART	0A/C7x7	80/02/01	Diving		
249	RAMSEY	0A/C7x7	80/10/01	Diving		
275	BLACKWELL	0A/C7x7	81/01/16	Diving		
281	RULON	0A/C7			0A/TE	81/07

Operations Division

60	SMITH	0A/C71	77/12/16	Chief		
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Marine Engineering Division

58	WALTER	0A/CAM4	79/12/01	Chief	Retire	81/11
80	WILSON	0A/C72	80/01/01	Chief		

Electronic Engineering Division

338	FERGUSON	0A/C73			DI	TBD
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Atlantic Marine Center

	HOULDER	0A/CAM	79/09/01	Director		
10	BUFFINGTON	0A/CAMx0	77/06/01	Deputy	Retire	81/10
22	NIXON	0A/CAMx0		Deputy	RD/SG	81/10
142	ARBUSTO	0A/CAMx2		PortCaptain WoodsHole	MF	82/01
163	SEGUR	0A/CAMx1	81/01/16	SEMarSuptFac (AOML Liaison)		
191	WILLISCROFT	0A/CAMx5	79/10/16	DivCoord	RD/RF3292	81/06
291	McDOUGAL	0A/CAMx2	79/11/16	AsstPortCapt Woods Hole		
316	MAXSON	0A/CAMx5	81/04/01	Div Coord		

Operations Division

64	FISHER	0A/CAM1	79/01/01	Chief		
86	TIGNOR	0A/CAM1	80/07/16	AsstChief		

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145	JONES	OA/CAM1	81/02/16	Fld Proced		
206	MARRINER	OA/CAM1	79/10/16	Aug		
227	BUNN	OA/CAM1	81/06/16	Aug (F/SEC3)		
251	GROSS	OA/CAM1		Aug (F/NEC1)	F/NEC1	81/09
263	HENDERSON	OA/CAM1	80/05/16	SpecAsst/ Recruit		
<u>Hydrographic Surveys Branch</u>						
138	JAMERSON	OA/CAM11	80/05/16	Chief		
162	ARMSTRONG	OA/CAM11	79/06/01			
276	DeBOW	OA/CAM11	81/03/01			
278	PERUGINI	OA/CAM11	79/09/01			
310	DIAZ	OA/CAM11	80/08/01			
<u>Processing Division</u>						
54	KIENINGER	OA/CAM3	80/05/01	Chief		
228	KENNY	OA/CAM11			NC2	81/09
318	GARDNER	OA/CAM33	81/05/16			
<u>Coastal Mapping Division</u>						
67	MATSUSHIGE	OA/CAM5	78/05/01	Chief		
125	ETHRIDGE	OA/CAM5	79/09/16	Chief		
261	NOVARO	OA/CAM5	79/06/16	Tides SC		
284	MANDZI	OA/CAM5	79/03/01			
299	GREENE	OA/CAM5	80/01/01			
309	CONNORS	OA/CAM5	80/11/16			
<u>Electronic Engineering Division</u>						
190	KUHL	OA/CAM6	80/08/16		Sep	81/07
<u>RESEARCHER (RE)</u>						
17	MOSES		81/03/01	CO		

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78	DECOSTE		80/12/01	X0		
211	DEARBAUGH		81/01/01			
229	TOKAR				RD/RF202	82/01
308	VAN ETEN	61	80/12/01			
314	HAYDEN	67	80/06/16			
339	WHITE	66	79/12/16			
345	CELONE	66	79/12/16			
354	BENGGIO	67	80/06/16			
359	RODRIGUEZ	67			KE	81/08
363	GLICKMAN	68	80/10/01			
366	DINKEL	68	80/10/01			
<u>PEIRCE (PE)</u>						
	HARRIS				NC21	81/07
	POESCHL				NC21	81/07
71	NORTRUP		80/07/16	CO		
133	RUSZALA		80/05/16	X0		
195.1	FIELDS		79/12/01	FOO		
223	LEIGH			4th	OA/C171	81/09
247	RICE				NC1	81/09
273	SIMONEAUX	65	79/10/01			
335	MOZGALA	65	81/06/16			
350	BAILEY	67	80/06/16			
<u>WHITING (WH)</u>						
	RUIZ				NC21	81/07
79	ROSSI		80/05/01	CO		
189	MASON		80/01/01	X0	OA/D	82/01

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240	DEWHURST		80/04/01	FOO		
244	HOWARD		81/06/01			
328	BLAND	64	79/06/16		0A/C2	81/12
367	STEIGERWALD	69	80/12/16			
<u>MT MITCHELL (MI)</u>						
	ORRIS				NC21	81/07
30	TRAUSCHKE		80/04/01	CO		
100	HOPKINS		81/02/01		Retire	81/10
187	PERRIN		80/10/01			
250	VARNEY		80/01/16			
330	HUMPHREY		80/09/29			
348.1	ZABITCHUCK	66	79/12/16			
361	ROSSMANN	68	80/10/01			
364	HENEGAR	68	80/10/01			
375	COAKLEY	69	80/12/16			
<u>ALBATROSS IV (AL)</u>						
93	BRYSON		80/10/01	CO		
179	MEYER		81/04/01	XO		
<u>RUDE &amp; HECK (RH)</u>						
91	MOODY		79/07/16	CO		
120	ARNOLD		81/06/01	XO		
154	WINTER			XO	NC2	81/10
362	COLLINS		80/10/01			
370	BARNUM	69	80/12/16		Resign	81/07
<u>FERREL (FE)</u>						
66	CALLAHAN		79/04/01	CO		

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93.1	SPELLMAN			CO	OA/C231	81/09
156	FLOYD		80/06/01	XO		
243	SAGALOW		80/08/16	F00	OA/C2	82/02
246	GOODRICH				RD/MPF2	81/12
321.1	SEEM	69	80/12/16			
<u>GEORGE B. KELEZ (KE)</u>						
94	DUERNBERGER		79/07/01	CO	NC2	81/08
224	LILLESTOLEN		80/01/16	F00	NC2	81/10
317	PETRAE	63	78/12/16		OA/C211	81/06
325	HOLLOMON	64	79/06/16		OA/C2	81/10
359	RODRIGUEZ	67	80/06/16		RE	81/08
<u>Pacific Marine Center</u>						
	TOWNSEND	OA/CPM	80/10/01	Director		
8	JEFFERS	OA/CPMx1	81/01/16	Deputy	RD/R	
62	GELB	OA/CPM	79/12/16	DirStf		
85	SOWERS	OA/CPM	77/07/01	DirStf		
274	TALBOTT	OA/CPMx4	80/10/01			
302	BOWLES	OA/CPMx3	80/06/16	SpecAst/Rec		
<u>Operations Division</u>						
33.3	JEFFRIES	OA/CPM1	81/04/01	Chief		
37	CRAWFORD	OA/CPM1	78/09/01	Chief	Retire	81/06
59	WINTERMYRE	OA/CPM13	78/11/16			
126	MACFARLAND	OA/CPM1	78/07/01	OpsSpec	DA	81/11
150.1	ANDERSON	OA/CPM1	81/05/01		RA	
182	McCONAGHY	OA/CPM1	81/01/16	Aug (NWFC)	CH	82/01
192	JACKSON	OA/CPM1	79/07/16		NC2	81/09

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225	SULLIVAN	OA/CPM1		Aug (F/SWC1)	F/SWC1	81/10
259	CONSIGLIERI	OA/CPM1		Aug (F/NWC3)	F/NWC3	81/06
<u>Pacific Tide Party</u>						
204	ANDREEN	OA/CPM131	79/10/16	Chief		
215	KIMBALL	OA/CPM131	81/05/16			
288	MOLCHAN	OA/CPM131	79/01/16			
320	BEHN	OA/CPM131	81/02/01			
<u>Pacific Hydrographic Party</u>						
158	TAYLOR	OA/CPM134	79/06/16			
161	CHELGREN	OA/CPM134			OA/CPM3	81/10
296	SMITH	OA/CPM134	79/06/16		Resign	81/06
315	SECRETAN	OA/CPM134	81/06/01			
<u>Processing Division</u>						
49	CARPENTER	OA/CPM3	79/03/01	Chief		
161	CHELGREN	OA/CPM3	79/11/16		CPM134	81/10
<u>Electronic Engineering Division</u>						
115.1	JONES	OA/CPM6	80/09/16	Chief		
<u>DISCOVERER (DI)</u>						
	BRAINARD				NC21	81/07
19	SANDQUIST			CO	OA/C4x1	81/08
26	SPEER		80/09/01	CO		
47	NEWELL		81/06/16	XO		
76.1	BUSH		79/08/01	XO	RD/Rx3	81/09
93.3	GOEHLER		80/09/01	F00		
152	DOLAN				OC	81/10
338	FERGUSON				OA/C73	TBD

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352	RIVERA	67	80/06/16			
356	WHITE	67	80/06/16			
358	PETERS	67	80/11/16			
369	WOOD	69	80/12/16			
371	MORRIS	69	80/12/16			
<u>OCEANOGRAPHER (OC)</u>						
16	SALADIN		79/07/16	CO	OA/C4x1	TBD
51	REINKE		80/11/16	XO		
116	PEPE		79/09/16	FOO	OA/Sy	81/09
152	DOLAN		80/08/01		DI	81/10
221.1	PARDO		80/01/16			
329	CARLSON	64	79/06/16			
333	MOEN	65	79/10/01			
342	MARLER	66	79/12/16		Res ign	81/08
<u>SURVEYOR (SU)</u>						
28	WILLIAMS		79/06/01	CO		
50	PICKENS		78/11/16	XO	OA/D	81/08
170	STROBLE		80/08/01		FA	81/09
287	CROOM	68	80/10/01		RA	81/09
338	FERGUSON		79/12/16		DI	81/Summer
346	GROFF	66	79/12/16			
357	BILL	67	80/06/16			
<u>FAIRWEATHER (FA)</u>						
	BAILEY				NC21	81/07
	MAGAIOLO				NC21	81/07
46	FORSTER		81/12/01	CO		

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74	LYONS		80/07/01	X0		
170	STROBLE			FO0	SU	81/09
180.2	HENNICK		79/08/01			
203	BAXTER		80/08/01			
334	PEGNATO	65	79/10/01			
341	TRIMBLE	66	12/16/79		F/NWC	82/01
360	TUELL	68	80/10/01			
372	PINGRY	69	80/12/16			
374	FRANCIS	69	80/03/16			
<u>RAINIER (RA)</u>						
	FLANDERS				NC21	81/07
	KOEHLER				NC21	81/07
12	MOBLEY		79/02/16	CO	OA/C	81/07
33.2	LAND		81/06/01	CO		
110	McGEE		81/01/16	X0		
213	MORRIS		79/05/01	FO0		
219	CLARK		79/08/01			
238	KRETSCH		81/10/01		Resign	82/01
257	LUDWIG				RD/RF28	81/07
287	CROOM				SU	81/09
326	KRUTH	64	79/06/16			
343	GORDON	66	79/12/16			
351	OHLINGER	67	80/06/16			
368	MATHWIG	69	80/12/16			
<u>MILLER FREEMAN (MF)</u>						
	CHRISTOPHERSON				NC21	81/07

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72	ATWELL		79/10/16	CO		
142	ARBUSTO		79/10/16	XO	0A/CAMx2	82/01
146.1	PERRYMAN				F/SWC1	82/01
186	BERG		81/07/16		S/RE12	81/07
327	STIRRUP	64	79/06/16			
336	HERKELRATH	65	79/10/01			
348.2	LESLIE	66	80/01/16			
355	BROWN	67	80/06/16			
<u>DAVIDSON (DA)</u>						
43	AUSTIN		79/12/01	CO		
113	SEIDEL		79/10/01	XO		
126	MACFARLAND			XO	0A/CPM1	81/11
199	DREVES		80/10/16	F00		
208	RAMM		81/06/01			
245	NEWELL				NC2	81/10
307	HERLIHY		80/01/01			
332	ACTOR	65	79/10/01			
340	KONRAD	66	79/12/16			
349	BOGUE	67	80/06/16			
<u>MCARTHUR (AR)</u>						
	WILUS				NC21	81/07
63	STEFFIN		81/04/01	CO		
143	STANLEY		80/07/01	XO		
171	SNELLA		81/01/01			
282	MATTA		81/05/16			
331	KUMMERLOWE	65	79/10/01			

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353	WRIGHT		80/06/16			
<u>TOWNSEND CROMWELL (TC)</u>						
75	STACHELHAUS		79/12/01	CO		
93.2	ROUSH				RD/MPF25	81/06
155	WERT		80/06/01	XO		
160	GORES				F/NWC5	82/07
233	SMEHIL		80/03/16			
258	BARONE				TC	82/02
324	BULMER	64	79/06/16			
373	ALDRIDGE	69	80/06/16			
<u>CHAPMAN (CH)</u>						
92	TAGUCHI		80/02/16	CO		
171.1	HOLDEN		80/04/16	XO	NC2	81/09
182	McCONAGHY				OA/CPM1	82/01
209	BRETSCHNEIDER		80/03/01			
<u>ENVIRONMENTAL DATA &amp; INFORMATION SERVICE, Center for Environmental Assessment Services</u>						
<u>Marine Environmental Assessment Division</u>						
50	PICKENS	OA/D			SU	81/08
189	MASON	OA/D			WH	82/01
<u>National Geophysical &amp; Solar-Terrestrial Data Center</u>						
<u>Solid Earth Geophysics Division</u>						
297.2	CROWELL	OA/D621	78/10/16		Resign	81/12
<u>Data Studies Division</u>						
102	THEBERGE	OA/D64	79/04/01			
<u>NATIONAL EARTH SATELLITE SERVICE, Office of Research, Office of Systems Integration</u>						
116	PEPE	OA/SY			OC	81/09
186	BERG	S/RE12	78/02/01		MF	81/08



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FROM THE CHAIRMAN, OFFICER PERSONNEL BOARD (William D. Barbee)

The assigned roles of the Officer Personnel Board (OPB) in the administration of the NOAA Corps may seem mysterious and perhaps even sinister to many officers. Uncertainty, confusion, and some misconceptions center mainly on two OPB roles: that dealing with promotions, and that of rearranging the lineal list. It is important that each officer understand how the OPB fits into the overall program for administration and management of the NOAA Corps. Further, a number of recent events and circumstances may lead to modifications in promotion and review policies and procedures. As Chairman of the Officer Personnel Board, I want to take this opportunity to explain our role.

The authorities and responsibilities of the OPB are based in law and are delineated in NOAA Corps Regulations. But it is difficult to dig through the regulations to identify the process the OPB uses and to gain a useful sense of our functions. The Board has a relatively small number of roles that at one time or another affect every officer in the NOAA Corps. These are listed below:

1. Recommend to the Director candidates for selection into the Corps. The OPB reviews the record of every applicant deemed qualified, and under policy set by the Director makes recommendation to select or not. The policy for selection reflects the projected needs of the Corps (e.g., background appropriate to future roles in NOAA), affirmative aspects of equal employment opportunity policies (e.g., recruitment of women and minority candidates), and projected size of the Corps—how many new officers are needed in a given year. The policy for recruitment is set by the Director based on interaction with the OPB, NOAA program managers, and top NOAA administration in forming that policy.

2. Recommend to the Director action on separations from the Corps. The Board reviews all requests to resign or retire and recommends on their acceptance. In reaching these recommendations, the Board is guided by provisions in the regulations (e.g., adequate notice, fulfillment of obligations), by critical program requirements (e.g., ability to replace officers filling key assignments), and urgent factors affecting the officer (family crises, etc.). The Board also makes recommendations on involuntary separations, both those initiated by the Board itself and those initiated by NOAA program managers. In all of these cases, final action on OPB recommendations is by the Director, NOAA Corps.

3. Conduct an annual review of the Corps. This review is for the purpose of aligning officers to reflect their individual capabilities, potential, and positive contributions to NOAA activities. This annual review, held under guidance and direction from the Director, has been one of the two means through which the lineal list is rearranged. The results of the review are recommendations to advance some individuals and move others down the list, to send letters commending individual accomplishments and to call attention to below-standard performance. Since the 1981 results have been published, interest in the review is high. Details of the process are given later in this article.

4. Consider and make recommendations to the Director on promotions. Both temporary and permanent promotions are considered—to the grade of lieutenant (junior grade), O-2, through captain, O-6. In reviewing individuals for promotion, the Board considers an officer's entire record, especially as reflected in fitness reports received while in the present grade, each officer's potential for duty at the grade being considered, and the fulfillment of stated promotion requirements such as the completion of correspondence courses, promotion examinations, etc. The Director sets promotion policy that includes the nominal length of service or time-in-grade at which officers are ordinarily considered for promotion.

5. Act as an advisory group to the Director. The OPB serves as an advisory group and, as requested, researches matters pertaining to Corp policy formulation and procedures. It is difficult to characterize this last function, but some recent examples may lend some insight. The Board was asked to comment on the Administrator's December 3, 1980, memorandum on the NOAA Corps. We have submitted our recommendations on NOAA Corps promotion policies and procedures and on temporary promotion policy. We have discussed with the Director the means of reaching the Corps' strength as specified for 1981-1982. The OPB is made up of senior Corps officers—all are captains and appointed from several NOAA elements. Thus, most of you may view us as conservative in our advisory function. This conservative reputation may be reinforced because we give explicit attention to be consistent in the application of policy. You should remember, though, that we do strive to achieve balance. Further, you should note that we are only one of a number of sources of advice to the Director.

Annual Review Procedure. The published results of the OPB's 1981 review and the recommended rearrangement of the lineal list have generated reaction, especially from among officers who lost numbers. Interest in the review is probably more widespread than responses indicate. So I'll go through the process.

The annual review is officially started by a letter from the Director to the OPB. Principals stated in those letters include:

- strive for a list that represents a progression of capability from top to bottom (presumably with the most capable at the top);
- maintain equity in the process, and strive for credibility among Corps officers;
- stress the documented record, including fitness reports, awards, commendations, and other substantive recognition;
- recognize and reward outstanding individuals, warn or take other action against substandard officers.

The Board then convenes to conduct the review. In general, we review all officers with more than one year of service up through the grade of commander. Captains are reviewed only in response to explicit direction to do so. We review in detail the personnel jacket of every officer. The most attention and consideration is given to assembled fitness reports. We believe that the assembled fitness reports are the best evidence that we have of individual contributions to NOAA, of potential for contribution in more senior management roles, of breadth of interest and competence, and of efforts toward self-development. The Board tries, on the basis of individual reviews, to list officers according to their merits. We try to be objective; we try to be fair. We all recognize that our process is not perfect and that the consensus positions that we reach are sometimes arguable. Nevertheless, the Board has no hesitation in advancing the case that the review process does result in an improved lineal list, that we do identify and advance outstanding officers, and that we do identify substandard officers.

Part of the reaction to the 1981 review indicated a belief that this year's rearrangement of the list was more drastic than in other years. In terms of total actions recommended, this is not the case. The number of moves on the list was within a few cases of the number of moves made in other years. On the otherhand, the distribution of rearrangements was different this year. More of the moves occurred among commanders and lieutenant commanders than had been the case in prior years.

The concern with grades 0-4 and 0-5 reflects a number of factors that indicate changes in Corps policy that may take place in the near future. What are these factors, and what changes might be expected?

The driving factor is that after nearly a decade of fairly rapid expansion, the NOAA Corps is now at a constant level. In fact, the number of NOAA officers may even decrease over the next few years. The new Administration has specified a decrease in NOAA Corps size in 1982. Even earlier, in December 1980, the Administrator highlighted related problems, especially the potential for grade stagnation. The Director has addressed this area of Corps policy in every recent issue of the Corps Bulletin. Finally, while assembled for the 1981 review, the Director asked that the OPB give special thought to means for the deep selection of exceptional officers and to the problem of stagnation. On the basis of these factors, the Board has discussed the following considerations with the Director:

Rearrangement of the lineal list could be coupled more directly with the promotion process than has been the case. This doesn't mean that the annual review would be dropped. It does mean that within established promotion zones, all officers would be considered, some recommended for promotion and some passed over, thus effectively rearranging the list. (The process used by other services).

More specific criteria for promotion are needed for promotion of senior grade officers. Fulfillment of these criteria should require broad capabilities and continuing efforts at self-development for promotion to higher grades. The hard fact is that given a constant Corps strength everyone can't make admiral—or even captain, but we need a system where the most deserving officers do progress to those grades.

I believe there should be early promotion for exceptional officers even in the face of a reduced NOAA Corps. An alternate method should be devised to provide for the rapid promotion of outstanding officers. There may be other changes, but these are the ones that I believe are needed.

As with any policy or change in policy, there can be disagreement. I urge that if any of you, collectively or individually, disagree with these policies or procedures, then make your concerns known. Don't brood. Don't conspire. Don't drop out. Rather, use one of the number of legitimate avenues open to you to make your concerns known to the OPB, to the NOAA Corps Commissioned Personnel Division, or, most appropriately, to the Director, NOAA Corps.

Finally, I want to make a plug for the NOAA Corps. In many ways being a member of the Officer Personnel Board is onerous. It takes time away from other work, and you face some hard decision. Decisions are especially hard during the annual review and in the promotion process, but there is an overriding compensation. Everyone who has ever looked closely at the Corps must be impressed with our overall capabilities and our individual talent. It is uplifting to be associated with such an impressive group.

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### Actions to Improve Utilization and Management of the NOAA Corps

This is a summary of actions for improving the utilization and management of the NOAA Corps that have been taken or are planned in carrying out the intent of the Administrator's memorandum dated December 3, 1980. This summary addresses the two primary issues of (1) integration of the NOAA Corps into a wider range of NOAA missions, and (2) promotion policies and procedures. Generally, the Administrator has been very supportive of these measures to improve the Corps' management.

#### 1. Integration of the NOAA Corps into a Wider Range of NOAA Missions

A senior level officer has been assigned to Major Line Components (MLC) to provide more effective planning and utilization of officers. Each MLC has provided a list of recommended officer billets to the extent that we now have up to 150 more jobs identified than our present authorized complement will accommodate. We are now in the process of establishing priorities of newly identified billets and evaluating presently encumbered positions for possible realignments. The goal is to develop career opportunities within each MLC so officers can assume increasing responsibilities through subsequent assignments with increased years-in-service.

- a. To date, 12 new management billets outside traditional roles for officers within the National Ocean Survey have been identified and either have been filled or are being filled in the current assignment process. Because of Corps ceiling reductions, we will not be able to move much further in this direction in the near future.
- b. Promotion policies and procedures are being reviewed to assure adequate professional development for higher level management and administrative positions throughout NOAA. Four broad criteria are identified as qualifications for promotion to senior grades. These are leadership ability, management experience, professional development, and breadth of experience. Modifications to NDM 56-46 will expand upon these criteria and provide additional information to assist officers in career planning.

- c. We have examined our recruiting practices and procedures with an eye toward the recruitment of individuals with general science or social science degrees. Although our current roster already contains several officers with general science and "soft science" degrees, such as forestry, environmental conservation, and natural resources, all officers have met a certain minimum standard in physical sciences and higher mathematics. This is considered mandatory to prepare them for the common denominator of all NOAA Corps service -- sea duty and support of NOAA's science related fields. Not one new billet description identified by any of the MLC's indicates that a reduction of the minimum academic requirements for appointment into the Corps is desirable. Therefore, we will continue to appoint officers with other than hard science degrees, but the current minimum criteria for mathematics and physics will be retained.
- d. The NOAA Office of General Counsel has completed a review of the overall government personnel ceiling point system and its application to the NOAA Corps. This was done to determine the feasibility of seeking a ceiling point exemption for administering the Corps. Although on a legal basis, the Corps is not covered within the criteria established for federal employees, it is unlikely that any relief will be forthcoming in these times of overall NOAA and Department of Commerce personnel and program constraints.

## 2. Promotion Policies and Procedures

- a. We have reviewed the entire suite of NOAA assignment requirements to establish the strongest rationale possible for adjusting upwards the current limitation on temporary promotions, which allows only 1 1/2 percent of the Corps (6 officers) to be promoted on a temporary basis. We are preparing draft legislation to allow for additional "spot" promotions when the needs of the service requires. The success of this effort is not very promising, as small pieces of legislation are not popular to the Administration and the Congress.
- b. We continue to review the Corps billet structure in order to identify jobs that may require the assignment of an officer of higher (or lower) grade. Many NOAA Corps billets change over time and levels of responsibility vary. By ascertaining these changes in the reassignment process, an attempt is made to place a qualified person of the appropriate grade in each post. We feel this process is satisfactory.
- c. We have just completed an extensive review of the Corps' promotion policies with respect to substituting "years-in-grade" for "years-in-service" as a condition for promotion. In this review, we applied the "years-in-grade" proposed by the Administrator for each grade against a model of the Corps' authorized grade structure to determine effects of the change on the entire hierarchy. We found that the Corps' structure would only accommodate the proposed minimum years-in-grade for the promotion of outstanding officers who might consistently move up the lineal list by virtue of high performance. However, the Corps' grade distribution will not accommodate this accelerated advancement for most officers. Therefore, in order to maintain a balance of promotion flow in all grades, the "average" years-in-grade for most officers will necessarily be longer than for outstanding officers.

Changes to NOAA regulations (NDM 56-46) will be made in August 1981 to substitute "years-in-grade" for "years-in-service" as a condition for promotion to allow for early promotion of outstanding officers. This change will also require that we substitute the use of "date of rank" for the current "promotion control date" system of counting promotion eligibility time.

#### SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Lieutenant Alan H. Yanaway received a letter of recognition from Arthur H. Hull, MIC, WSFO, Seattle, for suggesting a plan to utilize AXBT (Airborne expendible bathythermographs) to be launched by the Navy from a helicopter as a safe yet rapid means of obtaining depth soundings for a lake. Immediately after the eruption of Mt. St. Helens there was a serious belief that Spirit Lake lifted some 200 feet would break through the debris dam and initiate an awesome flood down the Toutle River. Lt. Yanaway's plan showed a great deal of innovation and his concept of how to accomplish the measurements proved workable.

Commander Robert Smart, Commander John Albright, Lieutenant Stanton Ramsey, Lieutenant Kathryn Andreen, and Lieutenant (junior grade) John Blackwell, received a letter of appreciation from Patrick S. Fitzsimons, Chief of the Seattle Police Department, for their instruction and expertise provided during the Operational and Divemaster Course during the week of June 1-5, 1981. The officers are members of the NOAA diving staff.

Lieutenant Commander Arthur Flior received thanks from Lincoln C. Cummings, FAA Accident Prevention Counselor, for speaking at the Montgomery County and Northern Virginia Certified Flight Instructor Clinics. In good measure because of Cdr. Flior's participation the program was an outstanding success.

Cdr. Flior was also thanked by W. H. Stine, II, National Business Aircraft Association, Inc., for his participation in their International Operator's Committee Seminar. His presentation was enjoyable and educational.

Also, during the month of May, Cdr. Flior became one of the first pilots to earn Phase IV FAA Wings, the highest level of accomplishment in the FAA's Pilot Proficiency Program.

Commander Walter F. Forster, II, was awarded a Medal for Outstanding Service by the Board of Regents, Uniformed Services University of Health and Sciences for his distinguished service as Director, U.S. Public Health Service Officer Orientation Program from 1 January 1978 to 15 November 1980. Owing to his personal leadership and teaching, his high standards for achievement, Cdr. Forster's performance of duty far exceeded the expectations of this University and has resulted in a uniquely outstanding service to the Department of Defense and the U. S. Public Health Service.

#### ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

- (1) Office of Sea Grant, Rockville, MD - Physical or Social Scientist
- (2) Exchange Officer, Hydrographic Department, Royal Navy, Taunton, Somerset U.K.

Assignment Opening - Office of Sea Grant  
Rockville, Maryland

Physical or Social Scientist  
Rank - Lt. Cdr. - Cdr.

### Duties

Serves as Associate Program Director for Marine and Coastal Transportation and also as Associate Program Director for Marine Recreation within the Office of Sea Grant. The purpose of the National Sea Grant College Program is development and wise use of marine resources. The three principal activities are research, education, and advisory services; these activities being supported through grants to colleges and universities.

Directs Office of Sea Grant (OSG) programs in Marine and Coastal Transportation and Marine Recreation, and serves as an advisor and consultant with Sea Grant, NOAA, and interagency organizations and Boards.

- Maintains cognizance of all Sea Grant efforts nationally, and initiates appropriate activities from the national perspectives. In the fields of Marine Transportation and Boating Safety the incumbent maintains close coordination of OSG activities with MARAD and Coast Guard as well as other agencies as the need arises. Responsible for providing guidance and information to the OSG program staff and the university-based Sea Grant Directors so that a coherent and effective effort in these areas is maintained.
- Responsible for developing procedures to document historically Sea Grant transportation and recreation activities, and to analyze the returns from Sea Grant investment in these activities.
- Identifies research needs in transportation and recreation; recommends new initiatives that should be undertaken in these fields by OSG. Evaluates the current research and education programs in these fields that are sponsored by OSG.
- Provides guidance to academic officials in evolving their transportation and recreation programs, insuring that they conform to Sea Grant norms and practices and are responsive to regional and national needs. Reviews proposals for projects in these areas and is responsible for developing appropriate evaluation techniques to assist in the pre-funding decisions.

### Requirements

Training and experience in the fields of marine transportation and boating safety or an equivalent Bachelors degree in a related field plus three years of experience.

Occasional travel is required to university campuses for purpose of project review.

### Supervision

The incumbent will be under the direct supervision of the Head, Technology and Commercial Development in the Office of Sea Grant.

Contact - For further information contact Richard C. Kolf, 301-443-8977.

Assignment Opening - Exchange Officer, Hydrographic Department  
Royal Navy, Taunton, Somerset U.K.

Rank - Lieutenant (6-8 years service)

Incumbent - Lt. Cdr. Thomas W. Richards

### Description

The Royal Navy operates a fleet of 13 hydrographic survey vessels. A NOAA Corps exchange officer will be assigned aboard one of these vessels, most likely working off the coast of Scotland for the majority of the exchange. The officer is not an observer but will serve as one of a number of working hydrographers; stand bridge watches as officer of the watch; and acquire, process, and render hydrographic survey data. This is an unaccompanied tour of 6 to 9 months duration, scheduled to begin in March 1982.

The officer is expected to learn as much as possible about hydrographic survey and nautical charting methods employed by the Royal Navy for potential use by the National Ocean Survey. A detailed report of observations and recommendations is required.

The officer will complete a training program with other Royal Navy officers at HMS Drake in Devonport, Plymouth, England.

A short period of time will be spent touring the Hydrographic Department Headquarters at Taunton, England.

### Qualifications

Extensive experience in hydrographic surveying operations is required. The officer must be "officer of the watch" qualified. The officer should have completed at least one 2-year tour aboard a hydrographic ship and one 2-year tour on a mobile field party (geodetic, photogrammetric, hydrographic, or tides).

### Supervision

The officer will be in the direct chain of command aboard the HMS vessel. The immediate supervisor for hydrographic matters will be the Navigator (Operations Officer). The officer's wardroom and watch activities will be supervised by the First Lieutenant (Executive Officer). The officer's fitness report will be completed by the Commanding Officer.

While at HMS Drake, the officer's training will be supervised by the hydrographic school staff.

### Contact

For further information, please contact Lt. Cdr. Thomas W. Richards, FTS 443-8752.

TRAVEL TIPS - Computation of Per Diem on PCS Travel involving Monetary Allowance in Lieu of Transportation (MALT) plus Per Diem.

Effective July 14, 1981, the JTR (Vol. 1) was modified to provide for a flat per diem of \$50 to be paid to those members who qualify and elect MALT - PLUS-PER DIEM on PCS moves under para. M4150-1 (item 5). Such \$50 flat per diem applies to both CONUS and overseas PCS moves by land travel by personal means. Per diem for transoceanic travel, travel by Government TR or ticket or Government supplied transportation as well as per diem for temporary duty continues to be calculated on an average-cost-of-lodging basis. Mixed mode travel on any single leg of the journey is still payable as a mileage allowance. Dependent travel is unaffected by this change.

The following rules have been coordinated with the U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Public Health Service and the Per Diem Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee and are provided to clarify this entitlement until additional regulations appear in Vol. I of the JTR.

1. Flat per diem is not payable for days of leave or proceed time.
2. Flat per diem is payable in whole days without deductions for mess and quarters.
3. Flat per diem is not payable on any day that the member is not in a travel status for a portion of the day.
4. Flat per diem is not payable on days member is entitled to per diem under parts of E or F of Chapter 4 or Actual Expense under part A of Chapter 4 of the JTR (Vol. I).
5. The day of arrival at a temporary duty (TDY) location, enroute on a PCS, is payable under parts A, E or F of Chapter 4 of the JTR (Vol. I) unless such TDY is completed within that day and member resumes PCS travel within the day.
6. Days of TDY subsequent to the day of arrival, except for the day of departure, shall be paid in accordance with parts A, E or F (as applicable) of Chapter 4 of the JTR (Vol. I).
7. The day of departure from a TDY locations shall be considered a day of PCS travel and if the member qualifies and elects MALT-PLUS-PER DIEM, per diem shall be paid at a flat 50 rate.
8. The day that a member begins a separate leg of the journey by Government transportation, Government TR or ticket or transoceanic travel, per diem shall be paid in accordance with parts E or F (as applicable) of Chapter 4, of the JTR (Vol. I).
9. The day a member begins a separate leg of the journey for which he qualifies, and elects MALT-PLUS-PER DIEM, per diem shall be paid at a flat \$50 rate.

As before, the regulations contained in Chapters 1 and 2 of the JTR (Vol. I) will be followed in determining travel time and travel status. Determination of leave and proceed time will continue in accordance with NDM 56-12.

- Step 1: Determine the separate legs of the journey under para. M4150-6 of JTR (Vol. I).
- Step 2: Determine the member's option of reimbursement under para. M4150-1 of JTR (Vol. I) for each leg.
- Step 3: Using itinerary supplied by member and para. M3050 of JTR (Vol. I) determine whether a travel status exists on each day between detachment and reporting to include the days of detachment and reporting. Also determine what per diem form is payable.
- Step 4: Using NDM 56-12 and para. M3050 of JTR (Vol. I) determine whether each day is a duty day or a possible day of leave, proceed or travel time.
- Step 5: For each leg, determine the authorized travel time using para. M1050 of JTR (Vol. I).
- Step 6: From those possible travel days in Step 4, determine actual travel days not to exceed authorized from Step 5. From NDM 56-12, days not determined to be actual travel days or duty days must be leave or proceed.
- Step 7: For each leg that member elects MALT-PLUS-PER DIEM multiply the actual travel days times \$50 to get per diem. If actual travel days for the first and last leg of the journey are less than authorized, the day of detachment may be added to the actual travel days of the first leg and the day of reporting may be added to the last leg provided a travel status existed on those days as determined in Step 3.
- Step 8: For each leg that member elects MALT-PLUS-PER DIEM, multiply the official distance by 16¢ to obtain the MALT payment.
- Step 9: For each leg that member elects mileage, multiply official distance by 18½¢ to obtain mileage. (Note: mileage and MALT-PLUS-PER DIEM are not payable during the same leg and are the only options available for PCS travel by personal vehicle).
- Step 10: For each leg that member is entitled to per diem under parts E and F of Chapter 4 of the JTR (Vol. I) and for each period of TDY member is entitled to reimbursement under parts A, E or F of Chapter 4 of the JTR, calculate per diem or actual expense reimbursement as applicable. (Note: Member is entitled to per diem under parts E and F for PCS travel by Government transportation, Government TR or ticker, or Transoceanic Travel. Member may elect either per diem under parts E or F and reimbursement for common carrier travel or MALT-PLUS-PER DIEM or mileage when he personally purchases common carrier transportation for land travel).
- Step 11: Add additional reimbursements for entitlements not covered under Steps 1 through 10 such as DLA and dependent travel.

An officer's PCS is from Seattle, WA, to Norfolk, VA, with TDY en route in Washington, DC. Leave is authorized but not proceed time. The official distance from Seattle to Washington is 2,716 miles and from Washington to Norfolk is 191 miles. Member travels by POV with his one dependent (wife).

### Itinerary

16	July	1630	Detach from Duty
17	July	0745	Depart Seattle, WA
29	July	1930	Arrive Washington, D. C.
30	July	0800	Report for TDY Duty
1	Aug	1650	Detach from TDY Duty
2	Aug	0945	Depart Washington, DC
2	Aug	1735	Arrive Norfolk, VA
6	Aug	0730	Report for Duty

Step 1: There are 2 legs of the journey:

1) Seattle to Washington and 2) Washington to Norfolk

Step 2: Member elects option of MALT-PLUS-PER DIEM instead of mileage at 18½¢/mile for both legs.

Step 3: A travel status exists from 17 July to 2 August. Per diem or actual expense is payable for 30 July through 1 August for TDY. On other days during the period 17 July to 2 August in which per diem is payable, it is payable as a flat rate.

Step 4: 16, 30, and 31 July and 1 August are duty days. 3 through 5 August are leave days. 17 through 29 July must be counted as leave or travel days. 2 August is a travel day.

Step 5: Authorized Travel Time: Leg 1;  $\frac{2,716}{300} = 9$  days

Leg 2;  $\frac{191}{300} = 1$  day

Step 6: Actual Travel Days: Leg 1; 9 days (used exceeds auth)

Leg 2; 1 day (used equals auth)

Leave Used: Leg 1; 13 days - 9 days = 4

Leg 2; 1 day - 1 day = 0

After Travel; 3 thru 5 Aug =  $\frac{3}{7}$  days

Step 7: Flat Per Diem: Leg 1; 9 days @ \$50 = \$450.00  
 Leg 1; 1 day @ \$50 = 50.00  
 \$500.00

Step 8: MALT: Leg 1; 2,716 mi @ 16¢ = \$434.56  
 Leg 2; 191 mi @ 16¢ = 30.56  
 \$465.12

Step 9: Not applicable as member did not elect mileage on any one of the legs.

Step 10: For the period of three days (30 July thru 1 Aug) of TDY in Washington, DC, the member could elect either actual expense not to exceed \$75/day (itemized, as Washington is a high cost area) or per diem computed by the average-cost-of-lodging method. For the purpose of this example, the member chose per diem.

Actual cost of lodging (single room rate) =	$\frac{\$81.42}{3}$	=	\$27.14
Number of days	3		
Plus \$23		+	23.00
			<u>\$50.14</u>

Per diem =	\$50		
3 days @	\$50	=	\$150.00
Less 1 gov. sup. meal @	\$6.50	=	<u>-6.50</u>
			\$143.50

Step 11: DLA = 1 months BAQ w/dep = \$304.50

Dependent Travel = 1 dependent @ 7¢/mile x 2905 = \$203.35 (Seattle to Norfolk Only)

#### SGLI INCREASE

Legislation to increase Servicemen's Group Life Insurance coverage from \$20,000 to \$35,000 on October 1, 1981, has been approved by the House Veterans Affairs Committee. It was passed by the Senate on June 15, 1981. The premiums for active duty members would remain 75 cents for \$5,000 and \$5.25 monthly for the \$35,000.

If (when) the legislation becomes law, you are reminded that all members are automatically covered for the full \$35,000 and the premium is deducted from pay. Any past elections for reduced coverage or for no coverage are without effect under a new law. All such elections must be made after the law is enacted.

#### VOTING NEWS - Virginia, New York, Washington

State primary elections will be held by the above three states during the Fall of 1981, in preparation for the state general elections November 3, 1981. Virginia will hold its primary election on September 8, 1981, for candidates seeking election to the Offices of Governor, Lt. Governor, Attorney General and numerous seats in the House of Delegates. The New York primary election will take place on September 10, 1981, with candidates seeking nominations for the 19 positions of Justices of the State Supreme Court. Washington State will conduct its primary on September 15, 1981. Candidates will be nominated seeking to fill one unexpired term on the Washington State Supreme Court. Federal Post Card Applications are available from the Commissioned Personnel Division upon request. For additional information, call Cotton Bowen, FTS 443-8616.

CHAMPUS NEWSPortland First HMO Testsite  
3500 ATTEND CHAMPUS CHOICE HEALTH FAIR

Approximately 3500 beneficiaries attended the CHAMPUS CHOICE Health Fair in Portland Sunday (July 12) and according to Colonel Ken Hermann, USAF, MSC, Deputy Director of CHAMPUS, who took part in the program, "it was a tremendous success."

Portland was the first location around the country named as a pilot site offering dependents of military personnel, as well as retirees and their dependents, a choice of health and medical programs through health groups on a prepaid basis.

"The location of the other test sites have not been selected at this time," Hermann said.

"The interest in the Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) test was more than anyone expected," he said, "and for six consecutive hours, representatives from CHAMPUS, DEERS, and the four Portland HMO's, Kaiser-Permanente, the National Hospital Association, the Physicians Association of Clackamas County and the Portland Metro Health Plan answered questions explaining the program to the concerned crowd."

According to the Deputy Director, the reason Portland was chosen for the first "trial" study in the prepaid field, was because Portland has a "very mature health-care system, particularly because of its numerous prepaid programs." It is estimated that between 30,000 to 40,000 beneficiaries live in the Portland area. Also, there is no military hospital in the area, and DEERS (Defense Eligibility Enrollment System) has been established in Oregon.

A Portland group called Health Choice is assisting CHAMPUS by setting up an office at 620 S. W. Fifth Avenue, Suite 502. It will start enrolling participants in the program this month.

In explaining the program, Colonel Hermann said, "CHAMPUS CHOICE is a new program which will test whether it is feasible to offer comprehensive, prepaid health plans to CHAMPUS beneficiaries. It is only a test at this time," he added, "so the number of participants will be limited. The test is expected to run for three years."

The new program is different from the current CHAMPUS system in several ways. Members pay part of the premium; but the out-of-pocket costs may be lower than they are now under CHAMPUS, depending on the program selected. It also gives the beneficiaries a known medical expense each month which seems to be desirable to many people in planning family budgets.

"The access to health care is assured in a prepaid health plan," said Colonel Hermann, "and the beneficiary to a great extent can choose his/her own primary care physician."

According to Colonel Hermann, "this should be an exciting study, and if the interest and response in other trial sites is as positive as it was in Portland, then the three year study should provide useful data for improving CHAMPUS."

CHAMPUS SELECTS WISCONSIN PHYSICIAN'S SERVICE AS FISCAL  
INTERMEDIARY FOR SOUTH CENTRAL REGION

Beginning July 1st, Wisconsin Physician's Service (WPS) will begin processing CHAMPUS claims from the South Central Region under the first of seven regional fiscal intermediary (FI) contracts. The states included in the South Central Region are Texas, Louisiana, (currently under contract with Mutual of Omaha), Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, and Oklahoma (currently under contract with Wisconsin Physician's Service).

Starting July 1, CHAMPUS beneficiaries residing in the South Central Region will be able to use a toll-free-number (on an eight-line rotary) to contact WPS. The number is 1-800-356-5954.

In addition, all CHAMPUS claims for services provided in the South Central Region beginning July 1, 1981, should be addressed to:

CHAMPUS/CHAMPVA  
Wisconsin Physician's Service  
P. O. Box (see below)  
Madison, Wisconsin 53707

Post Office Box numbers for states within the South Central Region are as follows: Texas (8932); Louisiana (8934); Kansas (7934); Oklahoma (7936); Missouri (7939); and Arkansas (7938).

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - Does the issuance of a Veterans Administration Certificate of Eligibility guarantee approval of a GI home loan?

Answer - No. In addition to being declared eligible for a GI home loan based on his period of service, the veteran must apply for a loan from a bank or other lender and meet the qualifications of that lender.

Question - I'm planning to enroll in school this fall and I want to use the GI Bill. Where can I get information about the program?

Answer - All Veterans Administration regional offices and veterans service organizations have complete information. For the location of the nearest regional office, look in your local phone directory under "U.S. Government" listings. Toll-free telephone service is also available nationwide.

Question - My wife and I are thinking about buying a mobile home. Can the Veterans Administration help us?

Answer - Yes. For eligible veterans, VA will guarantee a home loan obtained for the purchase of a mobile home. Contact the nearest VA office for details.

## I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Capt. Bruce I. Williams from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to OA/NOS, National Geodetic Survey as Chief, Operations Division (January 1982).

Cdr. Roy S. Matsushige from OA/NOS, AMC Coastal Mapping Division to OA/NOS NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL as the Executive Officer (Winter 1981/82).

Cdr. Thomas E. Gerish from Full-Time University Training to RD/ERL, Office of Weather Research and Modification (September 1981).

Cdr. John D. Stachelhaus from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship TOWNSEND CROMWELL to OA/NOS, Office of Marine Operations, Operations Division (December 1981).

Cdr. William L. Stubblefield from RD/ERL, Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratory to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER as Executive Officer (October 1981).

Cdr. Clarence W. Tignor from OA/NOS, AMC, Operations Division to OA/NOS, AMC, Marine Engineering Division (October 1981).

Lt. Cdr. Arthur N. Flior from OA/NOS, Aeronautical Charting and Cartography to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL (Winter 1981/82).

Lt. Cdr. Lewis A. Lapine from OA/NOS, National Geodetic Survey to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL as Executive Officer (Winter 1981/82).

Lt. Cdr. Bradford B. Meyers from Naval Oceanographic Squadron VXN-8 to OA/NOS, Office of Aeronautical Charting and Cartography, Aeronautical Chart Division (January 1982).

Lt. George D. Vose from OA/NOS, Aeronautical Charting and Cartography to OA/NWS, Aeronautical Gamma Radiation Snow Survey Project, Office of Hydrography, Minneapolis, MN (April 1982).

Lt. Evelyn Fields from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE to OA/NOS, AMC, Office of the Director (September 1981).

Lt. Gary M. Barone from NMFS, Office of Marine Mammals & Endangered Species to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship TOWNSEND CROMWELL (January 1982)

Lt. (jg) Marianne Molchan from OA/NOS, PMC, Pacific Tide Party to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MCARTHUR (January 1982).

## II. CHANGES TO THE LOCATION ROSTER

### CAPTAIN

Mobley, Wayne L. from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER to OA/NOS, Office of Marine Operations, Support Data Systems Project III, Rockville, MD.

Sandquist, Robert L from OA/NOS, Aeronautical Charting and Cartography to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER.

## COMMANDER

Pickens, Leonard E. from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to OA/EDIS, Office of the Director, Washington, DC.

Bush, Yeager A. from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER to RD/ERL, Office of Programs, Boulder, CO.

## LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

Duernberger, Paul M. from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ to OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center.

Roush, Robert C. from RD, Office of Marine Pollution Assessment to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship TOWNSEND CROMWELL.

Turnbull, William T. from CZM, Office of Resource Coordination and Assessment to RD. Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory, Seattle, WA.

Johnson, Gary L. from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ to OA/NOS, Office of Oceanography, Tidal Requirements and Acquisition Branch, Rockville, MD.

## LIEUTENANT

Holden, Kenneth M., II from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship CHAPMAN to the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA for Full-Time University Training.

Berg, Craig P. from National Earth Satellite Service to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN.

Ramm, Hans E. from RD/ERL, Wave Propagation Laboratory to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON.

Schomaker, Mary C. from OA/NOS, National Geodetic Survey to the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA for Full-Time University Training.

## LIEUTENANT (junior grade)

Mozgala, Marlene from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE.

## ENSIGN

Ferguson, J. Scott from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER.

Bill, Robert B., Jr from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER.

III. PROMOTIONS

Richard S. Moody, Jr.	CDR	7/01/81
Garth W. Stroble	LCDR	7/01/81
John C. Bortniak	LT	7/01/81
William L. Hiscox	LT	7/01/81
Peter J. Celone	LTJG	6/09/81
Richard E. Groff	LTJG	6/11/81
Neil M. Bogue	LTJG	7/10/81

IV. APPOINTMENTS

None

V. RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS APPROVED

Retirements

None

Resignations

None

VI. RETIREMENTS

None

VII. RESIGNATIONS

None

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO THE LINEAL LIST

Dennis M. Kuhl - Separated      LT                      7/31/81

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

The Administrator, Dr. John Byrne, recently devoted an afternoon toward a fuller understanding of the NOAA Corps. After an initial walk-through and informal conversations with the Director and NOAA Corps office personnel, he met with key staff to obtain a comprehensive briefing. Subjects included the NOAA Corps mission, origin and size of the Corps, distribution by grade, assignment category, and geographic location. He was then familiarized with the dimensions and characteristics of the Corps, including numbers of officers in each grade and time required for promotion to various grades. Next, all functions of the Office of the NOAA CORPS were summarized and the different types of training were discussed along with a review of the existing Corps education profile. This portion of the briefing was concluded with a discussion of the NOAA Corps budget. Then a number of issues were presented which included health care, legislation affecting the NOAA Corps, authorized versus actual strength, and promotion policies. Recruitment of critical skills was of special interest to the Administrator and he offered a few ideas of his own on how to attract additional engineers and science majors.

All in all, the orientation was considered informative, presented in a relaxed atmosphere, and well received. The Administrator expressed support to the Corps and its role in NOAA. As a scientist and educator, Dr. Byrne has had quite a few years of association with the NOAA Corps, but this was the first opportunity to engage in detailed conversations regarding the administration of the Corps. He has been meeting a number of officers in numerous program briefings and is anxious to meet more officers in their work environment throughout the organization.

### PROMOTION ZONES ESTABLISHED

Promotion zones have been furnished to the Officer Personnel Board which will guide FY 1982 selections for promotion. The Board is scheduled to convene in October and will provide NC recommendations for a promotion list by November 1, 1981. The lineal numbers are referenced to the October 1980 roster, as revised in the June 1981 Corps Bulletin. Quotas are based on the number of vacancies anticipated.

<u>To Grade</u>	<u>Quota</u>	<u>Zone</u>
06	5	Lineal #33A, Hayes, through 44, Andreasen.
05	6	Lineal #92, Taguchi, through 103, Flior.
04	8	Lineal #171, Snella, through 186A, Cava.
03	14	Lineal #273, Simoneau, through 298, Demuth. (270, Sutton and 271, Wilder have been approved.)
02	14	Lineal #360, Tuell, through 370, Barnum. (348A, Zabitchuck, and 353, Wright, through 359, Rodriguez have been approved.)

### FULL-TIME UNIVERSITY TRAINING

During recent years, the NOAA Corps has had an average of 10 to 12 officers enrolled in full-time university training (FUT) each year. These assignments are made on the basis of guidance provided in NOAA Directives Manual (NDM), Chapter 56, Section 77.

The purpose of this article is to review the status of such training at the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS) at Monterey, California. Unlike the traditional university training administered under the Government Employees Training Act, which is limited to a one-year time constraint, NPS allows for longer duration assignments as it is a Federally supported institution. NPS is fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and specific engineering curricula are accredited by the Engineers Council for Professional Development. Approximately one-half of the NOAA Corps FUT program now takes place at NPS. About 1,000 officers from the uniformed services as well as officers from 20 allied countries are being educated for leadership roles at NPS.

Early arrangements for NOAA Corps attendance at NPS came about shortly after 1972 following endorsement by the Joint Chiefs of Staff through use of a longstanding agreement between the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Defense. The actual approval by the Chief, NAVTRAINING took place in July 1973. During the ensuing years, further arrangements were made to develop a curriculum to meet the needs of the Navy, Defense Mapping Agency, and the National Ocean Survey, specifically in the hydrography/geodetic science specialties as part of a new masters degree program in oceanography. Also, provision was made for one NOAA Corps officer to serve as an instructor in one or more of these disciplines. The first NOAA Corps officer to serve in this capacity was Commander Donald E. Nortrup in 1977. Lieutenant

Commander Gerald B. Mills, an early graduate of the program, presently holds this position. He also serves as the NOAA/NPS liaison officer at the school's administrative unit.

The first NOAA Corps officer to undertake graduate studies at NPS was Commander John D. Stachelhaus who enrolled in the physical oceanography curriculum during the 1973-74 academic year. Since 1977, with the establishment of the hydrography option to the oceanography program, nine officers have completed studies in that curriculum, three are approaching the mid point of their studies, and three are commencing the program this fall. Additionally, three officers have completed studies in other established curricula at NPS, including Management Science, Financial Management, and Meteorology. Two officers are enrolled to commence studies this fall in Naval Engineering and Management Science.

Three additional officers will be selected by the FUT Board this winter to enter next year's (fall '82) hydrography/oceanography program. Nine new courses are being added to the hydrography option in order to meet the Standards of Competence for Hydrographic Surveyors as established by International Hydrographic Organization (IHO) and International Federation of Surveyors (FIG). There are only two courses in the world which have received this Category A certification - the Royal Navy Hydrographic School at HMS Drake in Plymouth, England and the ENSIETA Course (Ecole Nationale Superieure des Ingenieurs des Etudes at Techniques d'Armemant) in France.

#### SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Lt. Cdr. Lewis A. Lapine received a letter of appreciation from R. Adm. H. R. Lippold, Jr., for his achievements during his assignment with the National Geodetic Survey (NGS). Through his efforts, and those of his peers, NGS was able to make significant strides in their goals to readjust the National Horizontal and Vertical Control Datums and begin a new polar motion project (POLARIS).

In spite of a significant hiring freeze and travel restrictions, Lt. Cdr. Lapine was able to meet all major program requirements including further testing of Inertial Surveying Systems for geodetic applications; support of site surveys at the POLARIS sites; and, site selection, preparations, and surveys for the cooperative Very Long Baseline Interferometry Program with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. He was credited with a job well done!

The Commanding Officer, Officers and Crew of the NOAA Ship RAINIER were commended by Rear Adm. H. R. Lippold, Jr., for the rescue of a helicopter and its crew which was forced to make an emergency landing 7.5 miles west of Bluff Point near Homer, Alaska. As a result of their rapid response all the helicopter crew members were rescued and the helicopter recovered.

## ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - National Marine Fisheries Service, Northeast Fisheries Center, Marine Ecosystem Division, Woods Hole, MA as a Biological Oceanographer  
Rank - Lt.(jg) - Lt.

### Introduction

This position is in the Marine Ecosystem Division of the Northeast Fisheries Center, Woods Hole Laboratory. The position involves the computer processing and analysis of data in support of research by personnel in the Ecosystem Division.

### Duties and Responsibilities

As a Biological Oceanographer, the incumbent will write, de-bug and document computer programs in FORTRAN and generate a variety of data products and analyses utilizing ecosystem data files on benthos, fishes, plankton, and the physical environment. Will provide special liaison with NEFC physical oceanographers in Woods Hole and Narragansett for the retrieval and utilization of physical oceanographer and remote sensing products by biologists in the Ecosystem Division. Duties include the preparation of job control files and the use of standard computer programs. The incumbent will also be responsible for the quality control and maintenance and updating of selected data files, including possible conversion of some programs and data files to new computer systems. For at least one-third of his time incumbent will be expected to work independently on selected problems in marine biology, processing and analyzing selected data files, and preparing scientific papers for publication.

### Supervision

Incumbent receives general guidelines and priorities on projects from the Deputy Chief of the Marine Ecosystem Division and specific instructions from senior biologists for whom he carries out data processing. Day-to-day direction involving details of programming and computer processing is provided by the senior programmer in the Ecosystem Division. On special projects selected by the Deputy Division Chief, the incumbent is expected to work independently on analysis and write-up of results.

### Qualifications

Minimum education for this position should be a BS in biology, with some mathematics, and computer science training. Experience in using large computers is essential and some computer programming experience with FORTRAN is highly desirable. Experience or education in marine biology is also particularly desirable.

### Contact

Dr. M. Grosslien - FTS 840-1252

Assignment Opening - National Advisory Committee on Oceans and  
Atmosphere (NACOA)  
Rank - Lt. - Cdr.

### Introduction

The National Advisory Committee on Oceans and Atmosphere (NACOA) was first established under Public Law 92-125, 1971, and again by Public Law 95-63, 1977, to provide continuous review of the progress of the national efforts in oceanic, atmospheric, and coastal zone matters, and to report annually to the President and Congress. The Committee also must advise the Secretary of Commerce on programs administered by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). To fulfill its mission, NACOA studies pending issues, writes reports, and presents testimony on its recommendations.

Committee members are Presidential appointees who are not Federal employees. The Committee's national responsibilities are unique; members must be eminently qualified in marine or atmospheric science and technology, have experience in related state or local governmental functions, or have extensive knowledge of other fields that relate to atmospheric or ocean policy. Members are selected for 3-year terms from academia, industry, public, or state or local government.

At present the Committee has an increased workload and an opportunity exists for a NOAA Corps officer to be assigned to the NACOA full-time staff.

### Background

Marine Affairs, Ocean Engineering, Marine Pollution, Atmospheric or Marine Science, or Coastal Zone Management.

### Contact

For further information please contact Mr. Steven Anastasion, 653-7818

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Assignment Opening - Operations Officer, IGOSS Program  
Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission  
UNESCO, Paris, France  
Rank - Lt. - Cdr.  
Incumbent - Lt. Cdr. Robert E. Hunt

### Description

The Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) and the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) collaborate on the Joint Integrated Global Ocean Services System (IGOSS) which endeavors to add a subsurface oceanographic component to the data globally exchanged within the WMO scheme. The data are used in support of fisheries, oceanography, shipping, coastal zone management and climate applications.

An officer is assigned in the IOC Secretariat to examine and offer solutions to problems of data exchange in the global system to assist member states of WMO and IOC to initiate national IGOSS programs and to coordinate regional implementation of the program in specific oceanic regions. The officer must

also assist in such Secretariat functions as organizing international and regional meetings, including producing documentation and writing reports.

Substantial travel is required both to member countries and to the WMO Secretariat in Geneva, Switzerland, travel time is on the order of 25%.

### Qualifications

Some background in Marine Policy would be extremely valuable as well as shipboard operational experience. A working knowledge of French, although not required, is extremely valuable for both the job and for living in France. (OPS officer valuable.)

### Supervision

The officer will be directly supervised by the Secretary of the IOC, Dr. Morio Ruivo, and work in conjunction with a staff of internationally known oceanographers and meteorologists. Contact is also closely maintained with the U.S. national representative for IGOSS and the Office of International Affairs under Research and Development.

### Contact

For further information, contact Gregory Withee, FTS 427-7279.

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Assignment Opening - National Weather Service  
Western Region Headquarters  
Federal Building, Room 2419  
125 S. State Street  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84117  
Rank - Lt.(jg) - Lt.Cdr.

### Description

The developing and expanding Marine Services Program along the Pacific Coast is placing an ever-increasing burden on the WRH staff. Our association with various user groups such as the Tropical Pacific Tuna Fisheries, the Coastal Albacore Fisheries, and the other users of the sea such as shipping and recreational activities requires a very active liaison with this headquarters. Not only is it necessary that we provide these groups with information regarding the services that we provide, but it is extremely necessary that we get their feed back to ensure that our products are meeting their needs.

### Duties

1. Assist the regional marine meteorologist in routine staff studies, problem solving and program management.
2. Assist in providing liaison with marine user groups, setting up meetings and seminars to discuss Western Region services.
3. Work closely with coastal WSFO's to provide technology transfer and coordination of ocean services.

4. Work closely with the Ocean Service Unit at Seattle to ensure close liaison between forecast offices and the OSU.
5. Work closely with San Francisco and ODSI to carry to a successful conclusion the high seas experiment.
6. Work with the USCG and marina operators to promotion the use of NOAA Weather Radio in support of marine coastal activities and the phasing out of storm warning visual displays.
7. Work with the marine meteorologists and Data Acquisition Division in assessing the effectiveness of current marine observational data, including data from buoys, wave meters and coastal installations, and in establishing requirements for new data sites.

#### Contact

Mr. Robert Black, Salt Lake City (FTS 588-4000) or Cdr. Richard J. DeRycke (FTS 427-7279)

#### UNIFORM OF THE DAY

Washington, D. C. Area - Effective November 2, 1981  
 Norfolk, Virginia Area - Effective October 12, 1981  
 Seattle, Washington Area - Effective November 2, 1981

Service Dress Blue (bravo), Service Dress Blue (alpha); Working Blue, Working Khaki (only if deemed appropriate by prescribing authority)

#### OPEN SEASON -- SURVIVOR BENEFIT PLAN

On 13 August 1981, President Reagan signed into law the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 (Public Law 97-35). Among the many provisions of this law is an "open season" which permits eligible members to participate or increase participation in the Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP).

An "eligible member" is a member of the uniformed services who was entitled to retired pay on August 13, 1981.

During this open enrollment period, which begins on October 1, 1981, and ends on September 30, 1982, an eligible member may -

- Enroll initially in the Plan;
- Change current participation to a higher level; or
- Change current "children only" coverage to include coverage for spouse.

The member will be required to pay coverage cost for two years before the beneficiary becomes entitled to an annuity. This is the penalty for retirees who did not enroll when they originally had the option. If a member dies before the end of the two-year penalty period, the election is void and the beneficiary is refunded the costs attributable to the election. Any annuity payable under the terms of a previous election will be paid to the beneficiary.

Additional information and the election form will be mailed in the near future by the Commissioned Personnel Division to retired officers who either declined enrollment or took a reduced entitlement.

#### VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - If I encounter legal difficulties while purchasing a home using the GI Bill, will the Veterans Administration pay or provide for any legal assistance I may need?

Answer - No. The VA does not pay or provide for any legal assistance a veteran may need to deal with troubles encountered in the purchase or construction of a home.

#### I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Lt. Cdr. Dirk R. Taylor from OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Administrative Operations, Rockville, MD (Feb. 1982)

Lt. Cdr. Pamela R. Chelgren from OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center, Processing Division to the Pacific Marine Center, Pacific Hydrographic Party (Jan 1982)

Lt. Evelyn J. Fields from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE to OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Director's Staff as the Quality Control Officer (Sept. 1981)

Lt. Thomas G. Clark from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER to the OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center, Processing Division, Computer Support Group (Jan. 1982)

Lt. Mark F. Sullivan from the NMFS, Southwest Fisheries Center to OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center, Fisheries Augmentation Pool (Sept. 1981)

Lt. Patrick J. Rutten from NMFS, Southwest Fisheries Center, Tiburon Laboratory to OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center, Augmentation Pool (Jan. 1982)

Lt. Howard A. Jemison III from the NMFS, Southwest Fisheries Center, Honolulu Laboratory to the OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center, NOAA Ship CHAPMAN (Jan. 1982)

Lt.(jg) Lewis D. Consiglieri from the NMFS, Northwest Fisheries Center to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN (Apr. 1982)

Lt.(jg) Lawrence F. Simoneaux from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE to the NMFS, Southeast Fisheries Center, Beaufort Laboratory, Beaufort, NC (Jan 1982)

Lt.(jg) David J. Kruth from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER to OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Coastal Mapping Division

Lt.(jg) Eric C. Stirrup from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN to NMFS, Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center, Seattle, WA (Nov. 1981)

Lt.(jg) Ann F. Trimble from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN to the NMFS, Marine Mammals Program, Seattle, WA (Feb. 1982)

## II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

### CAPTAIN

Moran, Francis D., from RD/ERL, Research Facilities Center to RD/Office of the Assistant Administrator for Research and Development, Rockville, MD.

### LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

Spillman, Donnie M., from OA/NOS, Office of Oceanography to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL as Commanding Officer.

Pepe, Dennis, from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER to NESS, Office of Systems Integration.

### LIEUTENANT

Leigh, George E., from OA/NOS, National Geodetic Survey to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE.

Lillestolen, Ted I., from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ to NC, Full Time University Training, University of Rhode Island.

### LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

Herlihy, Daniel R., OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship SURVEYOR.

## III. PROMOTIONS

John T. Moakley	LT	8/01/81
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## IV. APPOINTMENTS

None

## V. RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS APPROVED

### RETIREMENTS

Sidney C. Miller	CAPT	2/01/82
Kent P. Dolan	LCDR	10/01/81

## RESIGNATIONS

Paul M. Daugherty  
Hans E. Ramm

LTJG  
LT

10/05/81  
01/29/82

## VI. RETIREMENTS

None

## VII. RESIGNATIONS

Daniel J. Marler

ENS

8/15/81

## VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO THE LINEAL LIST

None

## IX. ON BOARD STRENGTH AS OF 1 SEPTEMBER 1981 - 364



# NOAA CORPS BULLETIN

OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

When President Reagan submitted his 1982 Budget in March, he made clear that substantial additional reductions would be required in 1983. Furthermore, future year agency estimates would require additional adjustment to assure that we continue on the path to a balanced budget by 1984. The 1982 Budget included a commitment that we would identify an additional \$30 billion in budget savings for 1983 and \$44 billion for 1984. Also, the President is committed to the task of holding the 1982 deficit to \$42.5 billion.

In his September 24, 1981, address to the Nation, the President indicated that further 1982 reductions in government spending would be necessary to meet these goals. Agencies are now in the process of recommending additional reductions in 1982 and 1983 to meet the 1984 target.

These exercises will undoubtedly increase pressure for further scaling down of the Commissioned Corps if additional sea and mobile billets are lost through program contraction. As of this writing, we do not have employment targets, but NOAA expects to begin working on them shortly for 1982, 1983, and 1984. I remain optimistic that significant Corps decreases can be avoided because of the unique role and contributions of the Corps to the basic missions and objectives of the Agency.

## OFFICER ASSIGNMENT PROCESS

In recent months the assignment process has been under increased review with regard to improving the planning and utilization of officers among NOAA Major Line Components (MLC's). Several MLC's have stepped up internal scrutiny over effective assignment billets for the Corps and these efforts are beginning to be reflected back in NC1 and the Officer Assignment Board (OAB).

The driving forces in this process are (1) priority agency requirements, (2) aptitude and career choice of individual officers, and (3) needs of the officer for increasing levels of responsibility, commensurate with rank and grade.

Often we are not afforded the choice of an exact fit of these factors in an assignment, but the compromise is usually close. Remember, that assignments are not permanent and a less than perfect assignment does afford the officer an opportunity for extending ones base of knowledge and capacity to serve NOAA in a broader fashion.

### Special Assignment Board

Over the past year or more, there has been increased difficulty in staffing out the best fit of officers for the top positions aboard NOAA ships. There are many reasons for this: the RD and Fisheries career tracks are continuing to mature; officer and agency expectations and conditions are changing; technology and program activities require a variety of skills, and so forth.

To gain a better perspective on recommendations for key ship assignments and Marine Center support positions, NC convened a Special Assignment Board in September to review the fleet situation as a whole, and to make recommendations for the next turnover of these key, officer assignments.

The Special Assignment Board was chaired by the regular Officer Assignment Board Chairman, and included the Marine Center Deputy Directors, officer coordinators for the major organizations, and NC1 representatives.

Captain Lavon L. Posey, Chairman  
 Captain William K. Jeffers (Pacific Marine Center)  
 Captain Ronald M. Buffington (Atlantic Marine Center)  
 Captain Charles H. Nixon (Atlantic Marine Center)  
 Captain Francis D. Moran (RD)  
 Captain C. William Hayes (NOS)  
 Captain Sigmund R. Petersen (Fisheries)  
 Commander Joseph W. Dropp (NC1)  
 Lieutenant Commander Ronald L. Sellers (NC1), Executive Secretary

The Board has presented the Director with a list of recommendations after considering the many factors involving assignments. The list represents a balancing of NOAA's high priority requirements for sea duty, along with NOAA's priorities for most other mobile and shore duty billets. The attached Assignment Plan reflects the majority of recommendations advanced to the Director by this Special Assignment Board and are generally approved. In light of the present budget situation, possible additional ship lay-ups and other unforeseen events, the plan may be subject to future revision, but it does present a meaningful long-range picture of future key billets aboard ship and at Marine Centers.

The regular OAB will continue its work in the assignment process of the NOAA Corps, incorporating the recommendations of the special board. We expect that another special board review may be beneficial some time next year.

### GRADE DISTRIBUTION

This article further discusses implementation of the new grade distribution as announced in the July BULLETIN and couples the grade reductions with the promotion zones announced in last month's BULLETIN.

Prior to establishing the new distribution based upon an officer Corps ceiling of 358, past promotions were made on the basis of percentages in each grade computed against an authorized strength of 399. As the NOAA Corps has had to conform with increasing personnel constraints over the past few years, this practice has essentially reduced the number of ensigns that could be appointed each year. For instance, in January 1981, when our ceiling was at 371 officers, we were limited to 43 officers in the grade of ensign. With the lay-up of the SURVEYOR and the KELEZ, and now the OCEANOGRAPHER, Corps strength was reduced by 9 officers as of October 1981 and will be further reduced by 6 more in FY82, but we also lost about 30 billets to be filled. If we absorbed the reduction in strength at the ensign level (as has been done in the past) there would not be enough ensigns appointed to keep the ships up to complement. Even with the reduction in billets associated with the laid-up ships, we still need to maintain about 65 first term officers at sea. Considering a natural attrition rate of 7 or 8 officers per year at the 01/02/03 level, we still need to appoint 38-40 new ensigns per year. Thus, it became necessary to reduce the number of officers in the upper grades. This will be accomplished after October 1, 1981, by not filling the first 06 vacancy when it occurs, two 05's when they occur, etc. The quotas for upcoming promotions set in last month's BULLETIN take these computations into consideration and are based upon known planned retirements in the 06/05 categories and historical hindcasts of attrition in the lower grades over the next six to twelve months.

#### NOAA CORPS HEALTH CARE MATTERS

The following information was received during mid-September from the Acting Director, Bureau of Medical Services of the Health Services Administration, Public Health Service.

Under the provisions of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 (P.L. 97-35), the Public Health Service (PHS) hospitals and clinics will be closed except for those facilities for which a plan for transition to community or other control is approved by the Secretary. Those facilities for which no transition plan is approved are to be closed on September 30, 1981. The following concerns arrangements being made by the Bureau of Medical Services to assure the continued availability of care in those areas where eligible members of the NOAA Corps and their eligible dependents have relied on PHS facilities for their health care.

#### Health Services in Areas Where PHS Facilities Are Closed

- o Active Duty Officers - Instructions have been transmitted to the directors of facilities scheduled for closure on September 30, 1981, to negotiate extensions of contracts with local hospitals currently used to provide inpatient care to patients referred by PHS. Any necessary medical care may be obtained from the outpatient clinic or emergency room of the facility. All services provided will be paid for by PHS under the provisions of the contract. This interim arrangement will be terminated upon the negotiation of conventional provider contracts in the area. Pending the negotiation of new contracts, any necessary optical, dental, and prescription services should be

obtained by the officer in accordance with emergency procedures described in the commissioned corps regulations (NDM 56-52). Please note that these procedures do not preclude the use of other uniformed service facilities at the option of the officer.

- o Retired Officers and Eligible Dependents - Contract care services are not available at PHS expense for retired officers and eligible dependents. All such persons are required to obtain care from a uniformed services facility or through CHAMPUS under the rules governing that program.

#### Facilities for Which a Transition Plan is Approved

Facilities for which a transition plan is approved by the Secretary will retain their status as uniformed services facilities until transfer takes place. Until that time, there will be no change in the entitlement to care of any PHS beneficiary in these facilities. The status of such services in these facilities after transfer will depend on the terms of the agreement under which the facility is transferred. Since these actions will be handled on an individual case basis, further instructions will be provided when the negotiations have been completed.

#### Status of Medical Records

The PHS Bureau of Medical Services presently plans to transfer from closed facilities to a central storage facility all medical records in which there has been activity during the last two years, the most recent x-rays, and similar materials. This facility will be staffed to respond to requests for copies of materials from records. (As of this writing - October 5, 1981, negotiations are underway to establish such a centralized facility in the Washington, DC area). Records maintained in transition facilities will be retained in that site until further notice.

#### SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Lieutenant Commander Arthur N. Flior received a Certificate of Recognition and Cash Award from Walter P. Chappas, Associate Director, Aeronautical Charting and Cartography, for developing a new size and format for critical U.S. Government Flight Information Publications.

The officers and crew of the NOAA Ship DISCOVERER were commended by Monty A. Hampton, U.S. Department of the Interior, Pacific-Arctic Branch of Marine Geology, Menlo Park, CA as follows:

"I would like to praise the cooperation and work put forth by Captain Raymond Speer and the crew of the NOAA Ship DISCOVERER this year on my cruises in the Gulf of Alaska and Norton Sound. In particular, Lt. Cdr. Dave Goehler, Chief Boatswain Warren Sherril, and the deck crew were extremely helpful in carrying out our work. The scientific program depended on deployment of large and complex pieces of equipment to measure mechanical properties of seafloor sediment and to collect sediment cores. This was a difficult task that required ingenuity and cooperation on the part of these people, as well as the officers on the bridge. Erratic working hours were also necessary. All concerned showed the positive attitude and skill that was needed to attain our goals."

## ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - Ocean Services Program Coordinator  
Pacific Region Headquarters  
National Weather Service  
P. O. Box 50027  
Honolulu, Hawaii

Rank: Lt. (jg) - Lt.

### Introduction

The Pacific Region Headquarters (PRH) conducts a broad program of meteorological and oceanographic services including forecasts and warnings, and extensive efforts in data gathering. Forecasts are issued for general weather and sea conditions to the public as well as specialized forecasts for specialized interests. Warnings are disseminated in cooperation with Civil Defense for tsunamis, flash floods, hurricanes, other severe weather events and high surf conditions.

Another major responsibility of the Pacific Region is management of the Tsunami Warning System (TWS) for the Pacific Basin. Additionally, the Pacific Region actively participates in a number of other marine areas, including oil spill response, wave sensing, and forecasting experiments.

### Duties and Responsibilities

As Ocean Services Program Coordinator, the incumbent's major responsibility is to coordinate marine-related matters in the Operations Division, PRH.

1. In view of the numerous marine-related affairs associated with the Operations Division the incumbent actively participates and assists in the following projects and programs:

a. Performs duties as required of a Port Meteorological Officer (PMO) for the various harbors on the Island of Oahu and coordinates similar activity on the parts of Pacific Region OIC's serving vessels not routinely visiting ports with PMO's.

b. Maintains close liaison with marine oriented project leaders at the University of Hawaii and other institutions operating in the NWS Pacific Region area of responsibility. Assists individuals and agencies seeking information on a variety of marine-related affairs.

c. Performs other Operations Division staff duties in the marine areas, as assigned, including wave sensing and prediction, and marine-related community preparedness work.

d. Evaluates effectiveness of the Pacific Region marine weather broadcasts particularly as to content of the texts and voice quality.

e. Shares with Communications responsibility for the PRH Library.

2. Performs all staff duties related to the Tsunami Warning System in the Pacific Region. This includes cooperation with and support of the NWS Office of Oceanography in the long-range planning necessary to achieve the

goals of the TWS. The incumbent may be temporarily assigned, for short periods of time, to the Pacific Tsunami Warning Center during periods of inadequate staffing as directed by the Director, Pacific Region.

3. The incumbent maintains liaison with military, other Federal, State and International officials and organizations throughout the Pacific Region. The incumbent works with the State of Hawaii Civil Defense and as a participant in civil defense exercises, workshops, and planning concerning tsunami and marine warning situations. He assists educational institutions and community organizations through talks on hurricanes, tsunamis, and other marine-related affairs. Supervises and, with PRH assistance, staffs exhibits at fairs and community events.

### Qualifications

Officers in grades of lieutenant (jg) to lieutenant would be accepted for this assignment. Experience with various tidal measuring devices, data telemetry systems, and a background of meteorology is desired. The officer should hold a degree in geophysics (marine-oriented), oceanography, or other related disciplines.

The University of Hawaii, Manoa Campus, is within commuting distance of the assignment location and provides excellent opportunities for advanced degrees in the fields of marine geophysics and oceanography.

### Supervision

Ocean Services Program Coordinator duties are performed under the supervision of the Chief, Operations Division. From time to time, as workload and optimum utilization of employees dictates, the incumbent may be required to perform duties other than those described in section on Major Duties and Responsibilities.

### Contact

For further information, call Cdr. Richard J. DeRycke, FTS (301) 427-7278.

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Assignment Opening - NOS, Office of Marine Surveys and Maps  
Hydrographic Survey Division, Requirements Branch  
Rockville, Maryland

Rank: Lt. (jg) - Lt.

Incumbent: Lt. Stanley R. Iwamoto

### Description

The Requirements Branch is responsible for planning and coordinating hydrographic surveys for the Office of Marine Surveys and Maps (OMSM).

### Qualifications

A basic knowledge of hydrographic surveying operations and procedures is the most important qualification for this assignment. A candidate should have had at least one tour of duty aboard a hydrographic surveying vessel and one tour on a mobile field party (geodetic, photogrammetric, hydrographic, or tides).

Duties

- o Participation at the biannual survey scheduling meetings.
- o Preparation of project plans for future projects.
- o Preparation of detailed project instructions for hydrographic surveys.
- o Contact with supervisory personnel of OMSM, the Office of Oceanography, the National Geodetic Survey, and both Marine Centers.
- o Maintaining progress status on all ongoing hydrographic projects.
- o Coordination of hydrographic projects with the Photogrammetry Division.
- o Preparation of special reports dealing with OMSM programs.
- o May be called on to speak to the NOAA Officer Training Class concerning plans and programs of OMSM.
- o May be detailed to field activities for additional familiarization with present survey methods.

Supervision

Work is conducted under the technical and administrative direction of the Branch Chief.

Contact

For further information please contact Lt. Stanley R. Iwamoto (FTS) 443-8752.

NATIONAL CONVENTION OF THE RESERVE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION (Excerpt from The Officer September 1981)

Delegates to the 1981 National Convention of the Reserve Officers Association of the United States, held in Albuquerque, NM, in July 1981, adopted 39 resolutions, one of which reads:

"Support the organization and implementation of a Health Care System which serve the operational needs of the U.S. Coast Guard in peacetime and on mobilization; and support an appropriate arrangement to provide adequate Health Care that meets the needs of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration personnel."

The Reserve Officers Association was chartered by the 81st Congress (Chapter 12, Title 36, U.S. Code). Its purpose is "to support a military policy for the United States that will provide adequate national security and promote the development and execution thereof." The Association enjoys considerable prestige and often is called upon by Congress to testify on defense and service-related matters.

Membership in the Association is open to all regular and reserve officers and currently includes several members of the NOAA Corps.

1981 STATE ELECTIONS (General Election Day, November 3, 1981) Local City and County Offices may also be included on the Ballot)

Kentucky - 100 State Representatives, 19 State Senators, All District Judgeships, Commonwealth Attorney

Maine - 6 Bond Issued, 2 Constitutional Amendments, Initiative Question

New Jersey - Governor, 40 State Senators, 80 General Assembly Members

New York - 19 Justices of State Supreme Court

Pennsylvania - State Supreme Court Judges, Superior Court Judges, Commonwealth Court Judge, 52 County Judges

Virginia - Governor, Lt. Governor, Attorney General, House of Delegates

Washington - Justice of State Supreme Court

#### VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - I am a disabled veteran receiving 100 percent compensation from the Veterans Administration. Am I eligible for dental care?

Answer - Yes. Veterans receiving compensation at the 100 percent rate for service connected disabilities may apply for dental care at the nearest VA medical center.

Question - I had a VA guaranteed home loan on a house which was sold over 30 years ago. Am I eligible for another guaranteed loan now?

Answer - Yes. If the loan is completely paid, you may apply for another certificate of eligibility.

Question - What is the current interest rate for buying a home with a Veterans Administration guaranteed home loan?

Answer - Effective Aug. 17, 1981, the interest rate was increased to 16 1/2 percent for home loans, 18 percent for mobile homes and 18 1/2 percent for mobile home lots.

#### CHAMPUS NEWS

##### OCHAMPUS NAMES BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD OF SOUTH CAROLINA AS FISCAL INTERMEDIARY FOR MID-ATLANTIC REGION

Beginning October 1st Blue Cross/Blue Shield of South Carolina will process CHAMPUS claims from the Mid-Atlantic Region under the second of seven regional fiscal intermediary (FI) contracts. The states included in the Mid-Atlantic Region are Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania (currently under contract with Pennsylvania Blue Shield), District of Columbia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia (currently under contract with Blue Cross of Southwestern Virginia).

Starting October 1, CHAMPUS beneficiaries residing in the Mid-Atlantic Region will be able to use toll-free numbers to contact Blue Cross/Blue Shield of South

Carolina. The numbers are 1-800-922-0144 for beneficiaries from South Carolina, and 1-800-845-2572 for beneficiaries in all other states in the Mid-Atlantic Region.

CHAMPUS claims from the Mid-Atlantic Region should be addressed to:

Blue Cross/Blue Shield of South Carolina  
P. O. Box 6119  
Columbia, SC 29260

Beneficiaries who reside in the District of Columbia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia were to begin filing their claims with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of South Carolina on September 16, 1981.

Beneficiaries who reside in Delaware, Maryland and Pennsylvania are to begin filing their claims with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of South Carolina on October 1, 1981.

#### IN MEMORIAM

Captain William Francis Malnate, NOAA (Ret.) - July 28, 1900 - September 10, 1981

Captain William F. Malnate was born in Quincy, Massachusetts. He attended Northeastern University where he graduated in 1924 with a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering.

Following his graduation, he was appointed to the Corps as deck officer and then to ensign in April 1925. His various assignments during his 36-year career included the following ships: SURVEYOR, ISIS, ONWARD, MIKAWEE, GUIDE, to the DERICKSON & EXPLORER as Executive Officer; and to the GILBERT, HILGARD & WAINWRIGHT, PIONEER, and the PARKER, BOWEN & STIRNI as Commanding Officer. His other assignments included Wire Drag, Combined Operations, Division of Hydrography & Topography, Geodesy, Chief of the West Coast Tides Party, Liaison Officer with the Armed Forces, Southwestern District Office and the Los Angeles District Office.

He was awarded the Pacific War Zone Ribbon for the period 3/1/42 - 9/1/45. He was also awarded the Colbert Medal in 1960.

Captain Malnate is survived by his wife Margaret D. and two children, Robert F. and Barbara M. King.

Lieutenant Commander John Robert Plaggmier, NOAA (Ret.) - October 6, 1918 - September 10, 1981

Lieutenant Commander John R. Plaggmier was born in Dickinson, North Dakota. He attended the University of North Dakota where he graduated in 1941 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering.

He was appointed to the Corps as deck officer in January 1947 and then to ensign in July 1947. His various assignments during his 22-year career included being assigned to the following ships: SURVEYOR, PATHFINDER, PARKER, BOWEN, GILBERT,

HYDROGRAPHER, as Commanding Officer to the HILGARD & WAINWRIGHT and as Executive Officer to the OCEANOGRAPHER. His other assignments included Arctic Field Party, Geodesy, East Coast Field Party, Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Oceanography, ship construction for the OCEANOGRAPHER and was assigned to the Pacific Marine Center at the time of his retirement.

Lieutenant Commander Plaggmier is survived by his wife, Marian J. and several children, John R., Jr., Paul F., Pamela J., Thomas M., M. Melissa, and Jennifer Ann.

#### I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Lt. Cdr. Kurt X. Gores from NMFS, Coastal Zone and Estuarine Studies Division to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship CHAPMAN as the Executive Officer. (August 1982)

Lt. Cdr. Andres A. Armstrong, III, from OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING (January 1982)

Lt. Douglas G. Hennick from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER to NMFS, Southwest Fisheries Center, La Jolla, CA (February 1982)

Lt. James D. Sarb from the NOAA Executive Secretariat to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship TOWNSEND CROMWELL as the Executive Officer (December 1981)

Lt. Dale E. Bretschneider from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship CHAPMAN to RD/Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory (January 1982)

Lt. Jim W. Conrad from NMFS, Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN (April 1982)

Lt. (jg) Stephen L. Carlson from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER to RD/Office of Marine Pollution Assessment, Seattle, WA (December 1981)

Lt. (jg) Donald L. Kummerlowe from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship McARTHUR to RD/Office of Marine Pollution Assessment, Hazardous Materials Response Project, Seattle, WA (January 1982)

Lt. (jg) David I. Actor from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON to NMFS, Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center (January 1982)

Lt. (jg) Paul E. Pegnato from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER to OA/NOS, National Geodetic Survey (December 1981)

Lt. (jg) Scott J. Ferguson from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER to NMFS, Southwest Fisheries Center, HI (January 1982)

Lt. (jg) James R. Gordon from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER to RD/ERL, Space Environmental Laboratory, Boulder, CO (January 1982)

Ensign Peter J. Celone from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER to NMFS, Atlantic Environmental Group (January 1982)

II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

## COMMANDER

Callahan, John K. Jr., from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL to Office of the NOAA Corps, Program Planning, Liaison and Training Division.

Stubblefield, William D., from RD/Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratory to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER.

## LIEUTENANT

Jackson, Terrance D., from OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center to Naval Postgraduate School in student status.

O'Clock, James W., from RD/ERL, Space Environment Laboratory to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER.

Vadnais, Kenneth G., from OA/NOS, Aeronautical Charting and Cartography to OA/NWS, Office of Hydrology, Aeronautical Gamma Snow Survey Project.

Moakley, John T., from NMFS, Gloucester, MA to NMFS, Northeast Fisheries Center, RV GLORIA MICHELLE.

Gross, Charles E., from NMFS, Northeast Fisheries Center to OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Augmentation Duty, Woods Hole, MA.

III. PROMOTIONS

None

IV. APPOINTMENTS

Anderson, Robert W.	ENS	10/01/81	State U. of New York	BS-Biology
Andreeva, Svetlana I.	ENS	10/03/81	U. of Washington	BS-Oceanography
Buzzard, G. Dennis	ENS	10/03/81	Juniata College	BS-Chemistry
			Lehigh U.	MA-Education
Byron, Ilene	ENS	10/03/81	U. of California	BA-Chemistry
Duggan, James W.	ENS	10/03/81	State U. of New York	BS-Biology
Hawk, Eric G.	ENS	10/03/81	Carnegie Tech	BS-Chemistry
			U. of Puerto Rico	BS-Marine Sci
Kenul, Philip M.	ENS	10/03/81	State U. of New York	BA-Biology
			U. of Texas	MS-Envir. Engr.
McLean, Craig N.	ENS	10/03/81	Rutgers U.	BA-Zoology
Postle, Brian S.	ENS	10/03/81	Cornell U.	BS-Aquatic Sci
Reid, Carolyn J.	ENS	10/03/81	Florida Inst of Tech	BS-Chem. Ocean
Richards, Russell L.	ENS	10/03/81	U. of Notre Dame	BS-Biology
Steele, Paul T.	ENS	10/03/81	Fresno State U.	BS-Bus. Ad/Econ
			U. of California	MA-Env Admin
Wolf, Thomas A.	ENS	10/03/81	VPI & SU	BS-Biology

V. RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS APPROVED

## Retirements

William D. Barbee	CAPT	4/01/82
Roger F. Lanier	CAPT	4/01/82
John W. DeCoste	CDR	11/01/81 (change in date from 10/01/81)

## Resignations

Hans E. Ramm	LT	1/29/82
Paul M. Daugherty	LTJG	10/05/81

VI. RETIREMENTS

Kent P. Dolan	LCDR	10/01/81
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VII. RESIGNATIONS

None

VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO THE LINEAL LIST

None

IX. ON BOARD STRENGTH AS OF 1 OCTOBER 1981 - 363

Ship and Marine Center Assignment PlanRESEARCHER

CO - 31 - Moran - 3/83

XO - 82 - Stubblefield - 10/81  
48 - Carlen - 10/83

OPS - 163 - Segur - 1/83

232 - Van Den Berg - 1/83

DISCOVERERCO - 19 - Sandquist - 3/82  
32 - Florwick - 7/83

XO - 85 - Sowers - 1/83

OPS - 106 - Muller - 2/82

MT. MITCHELLCO - 23 - Yeager - 1/82  
45 - Dropp - 1/84

XO - 118 - Lapine - 2/82

OPS - 245 - Wheaton - 10/82

FAIRWEATHER

CO - 44 - Andreasen - 2/83

XO - 96 - Goehler - 2/82  
119 - Turnbull - 12/83OPS - 208 - Baxter - 1/82  
204 - Andreen - 12/82 to fleet up226 - Osborn - 1/82  
151 - Barnhill - 1/82 to AR 8/82RAINIER

CO - 56 - Vandermeulen - 7/83

XO - 134 - Yeager - 1/83

OPS - 210 - Iwamoto - 12/82

249 - Ramsey - 3/82

PEIRCE (PE)

CO - 55 - Simmons - 9/82

XO - 103 - Flior - 6/82

OPS - 223 - Leigh - 9/81  
247 - Rice - 4/82 to fleet up

WHITING (WH)

CO - 67 - Matsushige - 5/82

XO - 162 - Armstrong - 2/82  
139 - Wescott - 2/84

OPS - 245 - Newell - 10/81

DAVIDSON

CO - 59 - Wintermyre - 5/82

XO - 126 - MacFarland - 12/81  
161 - Chelgren - 12/83

OPS - 237 - Parsons - 10/82

265 - Tullis - 4/82

MCARTHUR

CO - 90 - Lilly - 4/83

XO - 151 - Barnhill - 8/82

OPS - 188 - Cava - 10/82

FERREL

CO - 124 - Schnebele - 7/83

XO - 236 - Jameson - 6/82

RUDE & HECK

CO - 120 - Arnold - 1/82

XO - 154 - Winter - 11/81 to fleet up  
140 - Norris - 6/83 to fleet upMILLER FREEMAN

CO - 62 - Gelb - 4/82

XO - 182 - McConaghy - 3/82  
101 - Sellers - 2/83 to fleet up 7/83  
173 - Mercer - 7/83OPS - 186 - Berg - 8/81  
242 - Kirch - 8/83CHAPMAN

CO - 148 - Perryman - 8/82

XO - 148 - Perryman - 3/82  
160 - Gores - 8/82OPS - 254 - Jemison - 1/82  
291 - McDougal - 1/84

ALBATROSS IV

CO - 95 - Berman - 1/83

XO - 251 - Gross - 4/83

267 - Bortniak - 4/82

352 - Rivera - 1/82

CROMWELL

CO - 136 - Manzo - 10/83

193 - Sarb - 12/81

196 - Cavin - 3/84

ATLANTIC MARINE CENTERDEPUTY

22 - Nixon - 10/81

COASTAL MAPPING DIVISION

326 - Kruth - 2/82

335 - Mozgala - 1/82

OPERATIONS DIVISION

26 - Speer - Spring 82

94 - Duernberger - 9/81

MARINE ENGINEERING DIVISION

86 - Tignor - 11/81

HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY BRANCH

187 - Perrin - 1/83

364 - Henegar - 10/82

361 - Rossman - 10/82

330 - Humphrey - 4/82

260 - Greenawalt - 4/82

WOODS HOLE PORT CAPTAIN

142 - Arbusto - 2/82

95 - Berman - 1/85

SOUTHEAST MARINE SUPPORT FACILITY

48 - Carlen - 9/82

PACIFIC MARINE CENTEROPERATIONS DIVISION

46 - Forster - 3/83

COAST SURVEY OPERATIONS

164 - Anderson - 5/82

PROCESSING DIVISION

43 - Austin - 5/82

155 - Wert - 12/81

219 - Clark - 2/82

HYDROGRAPHIC TRAINING OFFICER

213 - Morris - 2/82

PACIFIC HYDROGRAPHIC PARTY

161 - Chelgren - 1/82

PACIFIC TIDES PARTY

171 - Snella - 1/83



# NOAA CORPS BULLETIN

OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

This Bulletin contains our latest information on the status of Public Health Service facilities, plus information on the contract patient care programs being implemented by the PHS Bureau of Medical Services for active duty officers of NOAA. Please note that retired officers, dependents of active and retired officers and survivors have not been authorized to use the contract care program because entitlement is established on a space available basis within the direct care facilities. The availability of medical care for different beneficiaries is outlined in the medical care topic.

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The following NOAA Corps Officers received the Silver Medal Award for meritorious service. This is the second highest honorary award bestowed by the Department of Commerce.

Commander Christian Andreasen for exceptional leadership in directing staff efforts in Labor Relations and Program Development in the Office of Marine Operations.

Commander John K. Callahan, Jr. and Lieutenant Commander Richard P. Floyd, for their competence in the rescue of a passenger who fell overboard from a vessel in New York Harbor.

Lieutenant Commander Donnie M. Spillman and Lieutenant Commander Gary L. Johnson for their leadership, management ability and engineering skill in the operation of the National Tide and Water Level Observation Network.

The Secretary personally presented these awards at the Department's Annual Awards Ceremony on October 28, 1981, at the Main Commerce Building, Washington, DC.

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Lieutenant Robert G. Willis received a Letter of Recognition and a Plaque from Commander Richard T. Walker, Commander, MSC, USN, Naval Medical Research Institute, for his contributions during a joint Navy-NOAA program on the study of microbiological hazards to divers in polluted waters. His cooperative spirit and professionalism were major factors in the successful operation of field studies that were a critical part of the project research.

The MESA New York Bight Project has completed its mission after eight years of intensive scientific inquiry. As a result of its many and significant contributions to the theoretical and applied sciences relating to oceanography and marine pollution, the Administrator, NOAA, has awarded a Unit Citation to the Project Office and all NOAA personnel assigned to the Project over its eight year span, including the following NOAA Corps officers;

CDR N. Austin	LT D. Pascuiti
LT D. Goodrich	LCDR D. Pepe
CDR M. Kawka	LCDR N. Prah
LCDR S. Manzo	LTJG W. Pringle
LTJG P. McGrath	LCDR R. Roush
LT N. Millett	CDR C. Tignor

Lieutenant Commander Arthur N. Flior received the Administrator's Award for his outstanding contributions to flight safety and improvements of aeronautical products.

Both Lieutenant Commander Richard P. Floyd and Lieutenant Michael S. Sagalow were the recipients of a Certificate of Recognition for a Special Act and Cash Award from Rear Admiral Richard H. Houlder, Director, Atlantic Marine Center, for the recovery of a lost meter from the East River. Previous equipment missing in the East River had been given up for lost by more experienced divers. They not only retrieved the meter, under extremely hazardous conditions, but gained valuable information as well.

Lieutenant Commander Theodore C. Kaiser received a Letter of Recognition and Appreciation from John R. Apel, Director, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory, for his contributions to a very successful field experiment conducted recently at the Columbia River entrance. Lt. Cdr. Kaiser was solely responsible for the surface current measurement program, using a novel approach which involved the radar tracking of corner reflectors mounted on surface drifters. His skillful supervision, his imaginative and resourceful improvements to the tracking procedures and his general enthusiasm for the project were the critical factors which resulted in the acquisition of high quality surface current data set.

Lieutenant Commander Martin R. Mulhern received a Letter of Recognition and Appreciation from John R. Apel, Director, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory, for his outstanding planning and organizational skills during a recent field experiment to investigate hazardous navigational conditions at the Columbia River entrance. Lt. Cdr. Mulhern was responsible for the wave data program which involved considerable interaction with personnel of the Coast Guard, National Ocean Survey, National Marine Fisheries Service and other agencies prior to the actual experiment, in order to ensure such things as the availability of surface vessel support, equipment calibration and availability, and smooth scheduling. The unqualified success of the resulting operation was due in large measure to Lt. Cdr. Mulhern's efforts. The sentiment of the crew he supervised expressed their compliments on the professionalism and attitude of Lt. Cdr. Mulhern in a letter to the experiment Chief Scientist.

## TRAVEL TIPS

The Uniformed Services Pay and Benefits Act of 1981, besides raising pay and allowances, covered a wide range of other benefits. Congress both created new entitlements and placed restrictions on ones currently authorized. The following is an analysis of this Act's effect on travel and transportation allowances.

Effective November 1, 1981:

The member's travel upon separation from the service will not be paid in advance as was previously allowed. The member, as has been the case with dependents, must first travel and then voucher for travel actually performed, in order to be paid.

Members who separate without completing 90% of their obligation will not be entitled to normal PCS entitlements. They will receive transportation only at the lowest cost available. Members who are discharged under conditions that are other than honorable, will be treated in the same manner as those who do not complete 90% of their obligations.

Upon separation, members entitled to shipment of Household Goods (HHG) must make application for shipment within 180 days and must ship as soon as possible after application.

Effective April 1, 1982:

ON PCS moves within the continental U.S. while the member and dependents are in temporary accommodations at the old or new permanent station, temporary living expenses will be authorized for up to four days for both member and dependents, not to exceed \$110 per day total.

Effective when regulations are issued in the JTR:

Temporary storage may be extended beyond 180 days in certain cases.

Special temporary storage may be granted for periods of extended TDY or deployment.

When the member transfers overseas and may take a car, certain allowances will be paid to transport that car to the port where it will be loaded for shipment and from the port where it will be unloaded.

Advances may be made for travel expenses of dependents and DLA. (Note: since separating members must perform the travel, no advances will be granted to members separating).

Transportation may be provided back to CONUS for leave purposes when a member serves two consecutive overseas restricted (no dependents allowed) tours.

Travel of member and dependents may be provided for morale leave when the member is serving overseas in an area which has a severe climate or where cultural conditions are such that it is determined that morale leave is necessary for the well-being of the member and the dependents.

Air transportation may be provided for a member overseas or on a ship, home ported outside the U.S. back to the nearest international airport in CONUS for emergency leave.

Travel may be provided for a member on TDY back to the permanent station incident to emergency leave in certain circumstances.

Upon retirement, a member's home of selection is limited to places in CONUS or to places outside CONUS not to exceed the cost of travel to a home selected in CONUS.

Dependents of members who die after retirement but before selecting a home may, under certain circumstances, exercise the member's entitlement to home of selection.

#### SERVICEMEN'S GROUP LIFE INSURANCE

Public Law 97-66, passed on October 17, 1981, increased the Servicemen's Group Life Insurance coverage from \$20,000 to \$35,000, effective December 1, 1981, instead of October 1, 1981, as printed in the August Bulletin.

You are reminded that \$5.25 will be deducted from your pay each month unless written notification has been received from officers who do not want coverage, or desire reduced coverage.

#### NOAA CORPS HEALTH CARE

With the evolving changes to NOAA Corps health care practices resulting from recent closure of PHS hospitals and clinics, this article serves to update past information on this subject. The content originates from a recent transmittal from the Assistant Surgeon General, Department of Health and Human Services, to the Administrator, NOAA, as modified through subsequent clarification by the NOAA Office of Marine Operations and NC.

The closure of the PHS hospitals and clinics has necessitated the establishment of a centralized Contract Patient Care (CPC) program to provide medical services to beneficiaries having continued entitlement to medical care from PHS. This program will provide the following services:

- o Primary medical and dental services and required pharmaceuticals in those cities where PHS facilities have ceased operations. These services will be provided through contracts with physicians, dentists and community pharmacies.
- o Specialized tertiary care services through contracts with a network of hospitals. These hospitals will serve as regional referral centers and will accept patients authorized by the PHS requiring such services.
- o Authorizations for necessary medical care services for eligible PHS beneficiaries in areas where PHS CPC resources or Department of Defense medical facilities are not available.

Section I outlines this newly established program and the manner in which individual Active Duty NOAA Corps officers are expected to utilize this resource. Section II applies to dependents, survivors and retired officers.

## I. Active Duty

### A. Toll-Free Telephone Service

As of November 4, 1981, a toll-free telephone service was established for use to obtain:

- (1) advice concerning referrals to CPC providers,
- (2) general information concerning the CPC program, and
- (3) medical services authorizations.

This service may be accessed nationwide by dialing:

1-800-368-2777

In Maryland, call:

1-800-352-1460

For information concerning health care when located outside the contiguous U.S. (Alaska, Hawaii, or Puerto Rico), call collect or on FTS, if available:

(301)436-6214

Individuals are encouraged to use this service judiciously and to carefully review the following information prior to contacting the CPC program by telephone. The toll-free telephone service will be staffed from 0830 to 1700, Monday through Friday, eastern time. During other hours, you are requested to leave your name and telephone number. These calls will be returned during the following work day. (NOAA is attempting to obtain 24-hour, 7-day coverage).

### B. Selection of CPC Providers

Provider contracts are currently being negotiated. NOAA Corps officers will be advised on a timely basis of the names and locations of providers as these contracts are finalized. As an interim step, short-term contracts have been negotiated with health care facilities to provide required medical care prior to the negotiations and awards of permanent provider contracts. These facilities may be accessed by presenting your green commissioned officer ID card (DD Form 2). The thrust of the CPC provider selection process is to place CPC physicians, dentists, and community pharmacies in these cities where PHS facilities have ceased to operate in sufficient numbers to handle the patient care workload expected to result from NOAA and other PHS beneficiaries who would have otherwise used the PHS-operated hospital or clinic.

The PHS is currently soliciting proposals from hospitals for purposes of providing back-up tertiary medical care in the following cities: Boston, New Orleans, Houston, and San Francisco.

### C. Use of CPC Providers

In the event (non-emergency) hospitalization is required on a local level in the course of being treated by a CPC physician, prior approval (using the toll-free telephone service) of the hospitalization must be obtained by the physician as part of his/her contractual obligations. Depending on the nature of the medical problem and the location of the individual, PHS may require hospitalization at a military facility or at a PHS regional referral hospital. You should ensure that approval is obtained prior to any hospital admission by a CPC physician. Without such approval the individual may be required to assume the financial burden for the hospitalization. Additionally, inpatient care will be monitored by PHS to ensure that transfers to military or PHS contract hospitals are carried out in a timely fashion.

Additionally, all dental care to be provided by CPC dentists expected to involve expenses in excess of \$150 requires prior approval. As in the case of hospitalizations, this type of prior approval is a contractual obligation of the dentist; however, you should ensure that such approval is secured prior to the treatment.

Outpatient care obtained from CPC physicians and dental care expected to involve charges of less than \$150 do not require approval. PHS will reimburse these CPC providers directly for services rendered.

Similarly, drugs may be obtained from CPC pharmacies in connection with these services. Provider bills will be paid directly by the PHS.

Use of PHS contract hospitals generally is limited to providing tertiary care services rendered on a referral basis by the PHS. Additionally, PHS will utilize these facilities if specialized diagnostic services are required for determining fitness-for-duty.

### D. Use of Non-Contract Providers

Non-contract providers may be used in areas where PHS contract providers may not be available, and where military facilities are not available. In unusual instances non-contract providers may be used in areas served by CPC providers or military facilities, subject to the prior authorization process described below. Normally, this type of care would not be authorized, except in extenuating circumstances.

Use of non-contract care providers and community pharmacies requires prior authorization in all instances involving non-emergency care. You must obtain prior approval or arrange for the provider or pharmacy to obtain prior approval through the use of the toll-free telephone service. If requesting prior approval, you must provide the name and address of the provider and the anticipated service charge. This information will be used to prepare and send a purchase order to the provider or pharmacy, as a basis for payment.

### E. Emergencies

In the case of true emergencies, you should seek care at the nearest available health care facility or provider. You should contact the PHS through the use of the toll-free telephone service or have the facility do so as soon as possible after emergency treatment is rendered. This service may also be used by the facility or provider to confirm your eligibility.

## F. Use of Military Facilities

Commissioned officers are to use military facilities (PHS reimburses DOD) if within 40 miles; and, if military care is unavailable, care will be provided by PHS contracted hospitals or outpatient facilities. Commissioned officers cannot use CHAMPUS.

## II. Commissioned Officer Dependents, Survivors and Retired Commissioned Officers

A. Commissioned officer dependents and survivors are not authorized to use PHS contract facilities. Care of dependents is authorized in uniformed service facilities subject to the availability of space (10 U.S.C. 1076). Commissioned officer dependents may use CHAMPUS when their ID card authorizes "civilian care."

B. Retired commissioned officers are not authorized to use PHS contract facilities. As in the case of dependents, retired officers are authorized care in uniformed service facilities subject to the availability of space (10 U.S.C. 1074). Thus, retired officers may use military facilities if space is available, or CHAMPUS when their ID card authorizes "civilian care."

### CHAMPUS NEWS

The Department of Defense has announced that effective October 1, 1981, the dependent rate for inpatient care at Military hospitals will increase to \$6.30 per day. This charge is applicable to dependents of active duty members, dependents of active duty members, dependents of retirees and to surviving dependents of deceased members. The previous charge was \$5.50 per day.

This change also affects CHAMPUS, since by law the inpatient cost-share requirement for spouses and children of active duty service members is based on the charge at Military hospitals. Therefore, also effective October 1st, these individuals will be required to pay \$6.30 per day or \$25.00, whichever is greater.

This change does not affect CHAMPUS cost-sharing requirements for retirees, dependents of retirees or surviving spouses and children of deceased members. The law provides that these beneficiary categories are responsible for 25% of the reasonable cost/charges for both inpatient and outpatient services--with the Government cost sharing 75%.

Inpatient charges at Military hospitals are adjusted annually to reflect changes in Uniformed Services pay. The increase from \$5.50 to \$6.30 per day is approximately the same percentage increase as the pay raise that went into effect on October 1st.

CHAMPUS beneficiaries are advised that the CHAMPUS commercial telephone prefix changed from 341 to 361, effective October 19, 1981.

The change will better accommodate the expansion for the installations' telephone system located on the grounds of the Fitzsimons Army Medical Center, Aurora, Colorado.

Beneficiaries may call (303) 361-3707, the Benefit Services Branch at OCHAMPUS.

STATUS REPORT ON PHS FACILITIES - As of 11/9/81

Some PHS facility conversions will be to community use, and we expect them to continue service for active duty officers under the contract care program. Some facilities will be transferred to a Uniformed Service or will continue service under a Government-owned, contract-operated arrangement and are expected to be available for both active and retired, as well as dependents.

Outpatient Clinics (27)

All PHS outpatient clinics have stopped patient care as of September 30, 1981, except:

	<u>Future Use</u>
Portland, Maine	Community
St. Louis, Missouri	Army
Cleveland, Ohio	Community

These 3 clinics will be converted to other uses by October 31, 1981. PHS expects the community-use clinics to be available for active duty officers under contract care. The St. Louis clinic should continue to operate as a Uniformed Service facility under the U.S. Army and be open to active as well as retired officers and dependents.

PHS Hospitals (8)Boston, Baltimore, Seattle, and Staten Island

These 4 hospitals have submitted plans to the Secretary of Health and Human Services for conversion to community use. The Boston Hospital community plan provides for outpatient care after conversion and inpatient care to be available by referral.

Boston and Baltimore are expected to operate as Uniformed Service facilities under a Government-owned, contract-operated arrangement after November 20, 1981, for an undetermined period and will continue services to all active and retired officers and dependents. Seattle and Staten Island may also be available as a Uniformed Service facility if authorizing legislation is successful. Otherwise, it is expected they will convert to community-operated facilities and will be available to only active duty officers under the contract care program after November 20, 1981.

Norfolk - No outpatient care since October 2, 1981 (ambulatory care only).  
 - To be transferred to Navy sometime after October 31, 1981, as a Uniformed Service facility and will serve NOAA beneficiaries.

New Orleans - Closed.

Nassau Bay (Houston) - Closed (Transferred to Sisters of Charity on October 31, 1981)

San Francisco - Closed (To be transferred to Army for other usage sometime after October 31, 1981).

Medical Records

For copies of medical records, if not located at an active PHS hospital, write:

Director, Public Health Service Health Data Center  
10000 Aerospace Road  
Lanham, Maryland 20706

Provide name and patient number with all requests along with specifics regarding dates of care at facility at which treated. The Privacy Act Regulations require that patients identify a third party name and address such as a physician to whom records may be sent.

IN MEMORIAM - Captain Henry William Hemple, NOAA (Ret.) - October 11, 1892 - October 13, 1981

Captain Henry William Hemple was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan. He attended the Illinois Institute of Technology where he graduated in 1916 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering.

He was appointed deck officer in 1917 with Coast and Geodetic Survey and then ensign in 1918. During his career of over 36 years his assignments included the following ships: ROMBLON, MARINDUQUE as Commanding Officer, and PATHFINDER on the Philippine Island Survey, and later aboard the DISCOVERER and then OCEANOGRAPHER as Executive Officer. Other assignments comprised numerous geodetic field parties including traverse, triangulation and reconnaissance-triangulation. While serving as Chief of Party on first order triangulation surveys along the 44th parallel of latitude through Minnesota in 1927, he was the first to utilize the newly developed Bilby steel tower. Prior to that time, wooden structures were used exclusively for triangulation towers. The cost of these operations per station represented a saving of about 75 percent of the amount required to construct one of the former wooden towers of comparable size. He was Assistant Chief of the Division of Geodesy from 1938 to 1945 and Chief of the Division from 1945 until the time of his retirement in 1952.

For his major contributions to science, highlighted by his superb leadership in the field of geodetic engineering in the United States, Captain Hemple was awarded the 1952 Department of Commerce gold medal by the Secretary of Commerce. He was affiliated with many professional societies including the American Society of Civil Engineers, Society of American Military Engineers, Washington Society of Engineers, American Geophysical Union, Washington Academy of Sciences, American Association for the Advancement of Science, Institute of Navigation, and was a founding member and former treasurer of the American Congress on Surveying and Mapping.

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - I am an honorably discharged veteran of World War II and have never applied for any benefits from the Veterans Administration. Will the VA pay any benefit for burial expenses when I die?

Answer - Yes. VA will pay \$150 for the purchase of a burial plot for any eligible wartime veteran not buried in a national cemetery. As of Oct. 1, 1981, an allowance of \$300 is available to all veterans who at time of death

were receiving disability compensation, and to all veterans receiving, or entitled to receive pension.

Question - It is possible for me to pay my Veterans Administration guaranteed home loan before it becomes due?

Answer - Yes. A VA guaranteed loan may be partially or fully paid at any time without penalty.

Question - Is there a time limit for applying for widow's pension from the Veterans Administration?

Answer - No. There is no time limit. However, in order for benefits to be retroactive to the date of the veteran's death, application must be filed within one year of that date.

Question - I defaulted on a Veterans Administration guaranteed loan in 1971 and the VA claims I owe them money on their loss. They have notified me they are going to start collecting from my VA compensation check to pay this debt. I have not given permission for them to do so. Can this be done?

Answer - Yes. Your VA compensation may be withheld to satisfy a debt owed by the VA.

Question - I am a disabled veteran receiving 100 percent compensation from the Veterans Administration. Am I eligible for dental care?

Answer - Yes. Veterans receiving compensation at the 100 percent rate for service connected disabilities may apply for dental care at the nearest VA medical center.

Question - Does the Veterans Administration give small business loan?

Answer - No. The VA discontinued this program in 1975 and it is now operated by the Small Business Administration. Check the "U.S. Government" section of the local phone book for the number of the nearest SBA office.

#### I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Capt. Robert L. Sandquist from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship OCEANOGRAPHER to the NOAA Ship DISCOVERER as the Commanding Officer (Spring 1982)

Capt. Raymond L. Speer from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER to the OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center as the Operations Officer (Spring 1982)

Cdr. Ned C. Austin from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON to the OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center as the Chief of the Processing Division (May 1982)

Cdr. Walter S. Simmons from the OA/NOS, Office of Marine Surveys and Maps to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE as the Commanding Officer (July 1982)

Cdr. James M. Wintermyre from the OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON as the Commanding Officer (May 1982)

Cdr. Roy K. Matsushige from the OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING as the Commanding Officer (May 1982)

Cdr. Richard S. Moody from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ships RUDE & HECK to the Office of the NOAA Corps, Commissioned Personnel Division (February 1982)

Lt. Cdr. David J. Goehler from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER as the Executive Officer (February 1982)

Lt. Cdr. Arthur N. Flior from the OA/NOS, Office of Aeronautical Charting and Cartography to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MT. MITCHELL (June 1982)

Lt. Cdr. Richard K. Muller from OA/NOS, Photogrammetry Division to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER (February 1982)

Lt. Cdr. Russel C. Arnold to be the Commanding Officer of the OA/NOS, NOAA Ships RUDE & HECK (January 1982)

Lt. Cdr. David B. Mac Farland, Jr., from the OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center to the OA/NOS Ship DAVIDSON as the Executive Officer (December 1981)

Lt. Cdr. Emerson G. Wood from Full-Time University Training to the RD/ERL, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory (March 1982)

Lt. Cdr. Wayne L. Perryman from the NMFS, Southwest Fisheries Center to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship CHAPMAN as the Commanding Officer (March 1982)

Lt. Cdr. Jon M. Barnhill from RD, Research Facilities Center to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER (March 1982)

Lt. Roger A. Morris from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER to the OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center as the Hydrographic Training Officer (February 1982)

Lt. Warren T. Dewhurst from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING to the OA/NOS, National Geodetic Survey (February 1982)

Lt. Michael S. Sagalow from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship FERREL to the OA/NOS, Office of Oceanography (January 1982)

Lt. Donald R. Rice from the Office of the NOAA Corps to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE (April 1982)

Lt. Charles B. Greenawalt from the OA/NOS, National Geodetic Survey to the OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Hydrographic Survey Branch (April 1982)

Lt. (jg) Steven E. Tullis from the RD/ERL, Space Environment Laboratory to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON (April 1982)

Lt. (jg) John C. Bortniak from the RD/ERL, Geophysical Monitoring for Climatic Change to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship ALBATROSS IV (April 1982)

Lt. (jg) Marianne Molchan from the OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center to the OA/NWS, Pacific Region, as the Ocean Services Program Coordinator in Honolulu, HI, (January 1982)

Lt. (jg) Marlene Mozgala from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship PEIRCE to the OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Coastal Mapping Division (January 1982)

Lt. (jg) George E. White from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RESEARCHER to the OA/NESS, Satellite Field Services Station, Miami, FL (February 1982)

Ens. Steven J. Konrad from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON to the OA, National Geophysical and Solar-Terrestrial Data Center, Environmental Data & Information Service, Solid Earth Geophysics Division (December 1981)

Ens. Jose A. Rivera from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship ALBATROSS IV (January 1982)

## II. CHANGES TO LOCATION ROSTER

### CAPTAIN

Nixon, Charles H., from Office of Sea Grant to OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center as the Deputy Director.

Alderman, Richard E., from RD, International Coordination Division to OA/NOS, Office of Marine Operations for primary duty as staff for the Fleet Allocation Council.

### COMMANDER

Stachelhaus, John D., from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship TOWNSEND CROMWELL to the OA/NOS, Office of marine Operations, Operations Division as Chief.

### LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

Duernberger, Paul M., from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ to the OA /NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Operations Division.

Arbusto, Frank B. from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN to OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Northeast Marine Support Facility.

Winter, Donald D. from the Naval Postgraduate School to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ships RUDE & HECK.

Lawrence, Christopher B., from the RD/OMPA, Special Projects Office to the University of Washington for Full-Time University Training.

### LIEUTENANT

Sarb, James D., from the NOAA Executive Secretariat to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship TOWNSEND CROMWELL.

Simpson, Duane C., from the OA/NOS, Office of Oceanography to the NOAA Executive Secretariat.

Newell, Virginia E., from the Naval Postgraduate School to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING.

## LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

Herlihy, Daniel R., from the OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center, Operations Division to OA/NOS, NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER.

Holloman, Denise J., from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship GEORGE B. KELEZ to the OA/NOS, Office of Oceanography, Sandy Hook, NJ.

Pegnato, Paul E., from OA/NOS, NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER to the OA/NOS, Office of Marine Operations, NOAA Diving Office.

III. PROMOTIONS

None

IV. APPOINTMENTS

None

V. RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS APPROVED

Retirements

None

Resignations

Jeffrey W. Greene	LTJG	11/30/81
Thomas P. Wilus	ENS	11/20/81
Michael F. Matta	LTJG	12/30/81
Robert B. Cromwell*	LTJG	1/31/82

\*Change in Resignation Date from  
11/30/81

VI. RETIREMENTS

Ronald M. Buffington	CAPT	11/01/81
Merritt N. Walter	CDR	11/01/81
John W. DeCoste	CDR	11/01/81
Robert D. Hopkins	LCDR	11/01/81

VII. RESIGNATIONS

Paul M. Daugherty	LTJG	10/05/81
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VIII. OTHER CHANGES TO THE LINEAL LIST

None

IX. ON BOARD STRENGTH AS OF 1 NOVEMBER 1981 - 371

NOTE: MONTHLY BASIC PAY AND ALLOWANCES FOR COMMISSIONED OFFICERS  
(Effective October 1, 1981) IS ATTACHED.

**MONTHLY BASIC PAY AND ALLOWANCES FOR COMMISSIONED OFFICERS<sup>1</sup>**  
(Effective 1 October 1981)

YEARS OF SERVICE UNDER 37 USC 205

PAY GRADE OR LESS	YEARS OF SERVICE UNDER 37 USC 205												
	OVER 2	OVER 3	OVER 4	OVER 6	OVER 8	OVER 10	OVER 12	OVER 14	OVER 16	OVER 18	OVER 20	OVER 22	OVER 26
0-9	\$3994.20	\$4098.90	\$4186.20	\$4186.20	\$4292.70	\$4292.70	\$4471.20	\$4471.20	\$4844.10	\$4844.10	\$5215.20	\$5215.20	\$5588.10
0-8	3617.70	3726.00	3814.50	3814.50	4098.90	4098.90	4292.70	4292.70	4471.20	4665.30	4844.10	5038.20	5038.20
0-7	3006.00	3210.60	3210.60	3354.30	3354.30	3549.00	3726.00	3726.00	4098.90	4380.60	4380.60	4380.60	4380.60
0-6	2228.10	2448.30	2608.20	2608.20	2608.20	2608.20	2696.70	2696.70	3283.20	3354.30	3549.00	3549.00	3849.00
0-5	1782.00	2092.80	2237.10	2237.10	2237.10	2305.20	2428.80	2591.40	2785.50	2945.40	3034.20	3140.40	3140.40
0-4	1502.10	1828.80	1951.20	1951.20	2004.00	2075.10	2216.40	2448.30	2555.40	2626.20	2626.20	2626.20	2626.20
0-3	1395.90	1560.60	1668.30	1845.90	1934.10	2004.00	2216.40	2271.00	2271.00	2271.00	2271.00	2271.00	2271.00
0-2	1217.10	1329.30	1596.90	1650.60	1685.10	1685.10	1685.10	1685.10	1685.10	1685.10	1685.10	1685.10	1685.10
0-1	1056.60	1099.80	1329.30	1329.30	1329.30	1329.30	1329.30	1329.30	1329.30	1329.30	1329.30	1329.30	1329.30

1. Basic pay is limited to the rate of basic pay payable for Level V of the Executive Schedule.

**COMMISSIONED OFFICERS CREDITED WITH OVER 4 YEARS ACTIVE SERVICE AS AN ENLISTED MEMBER OR WARRANT OFFICER**

PAY GRADE	YEARS OF SERVICE UNDER 37 USC 205			
	OVER 4	OVER 6	OVER 8	OVER 10
03E	1845.90	1934.10	2004.00	2111.70
02E	1650.60	1685.10	1738.50	1828.80
01E	1329.30	1419.90	1472.40	1525.50

**CAREER SEA PAY<sup>1</sup>**

YEARS OF SEA DUTY	YEARS OF SERVICE UNDER 37 USC 205											
	OVER 3	OVER 4	OVER 5	OVER 6	OVER 7	OVER 8	OVER 9	OVER 10	OVER 11	OVER 12		
0-6	\$225	\$230	\$230	\$240	\$255	\$265	\$280	\$290	\$300	\$310		
0-5	225	225	225	225	230	245	250	260	265	265		
0-4	185	190	200	205	215	215	220	225	225	240		
0-3	150	160	185	190	195	205	215	225	225	240		
0-2	150	160	185	190	195	205	215	225	225	240		
0-1	150	160	185	190	195	205	215	225	225	240		

1. A member who is entitled to career sea pay who has served 36 consecutive months of sea duty is entitled to a career sea pay premium of \$100 a month for the 37th consecutive month and each subsequent consecutive month of sea duty.
2. Commissioned officers in pay grades 0-1 and 0-2 with at least four years of active service as enlisted members or as noncommissioned warrant officers.

**BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR QUARTERS**

PAY GRADE	WITH DEPENDENTS		WITHOUT DEPENDENTS		PARTIAL RATE <sup>1</sup>
	WITH DEPENDENTS	WITHOUT DEPENDENTS	WITH DEPENDENTS	WITHOUT DEPENDENTS	
0-9	\$611.70	489.00	50.70	50.70	
0-8	611.70	489.00	50.70	50.70	
0-7	611.70	489.00	50.70	50.70	
0-6	535.50	438.90	39.60	39.60	
0-5	487.20	404.70	33.00	33.00	
0-4	434.70	360.30	26.70	26.70	
0-3	390.90	316.80	22.20	22.20	
0-2	348.00	275.10	17.70	17.70	
0-1	279.60	214.80	13.20	13.20	

1. Payable to a member without dependents who is not entitled to receive a basic allowance for quarters.

BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR SUBSISTENCE - \$94.39

SPECIAL PAY FOR DIVING - \$200.00

INCENTIVE PAY FOR HAZARDOUS DUTY (OTHER THAN ACIP) - \$110.00

MONTHLY VARIABLE HOUSING ALLOWANCE RATES (VHA) FOR SELECTED AREAS

	<u>W/O Dep</u>	<u>W/Dep</u>	<u>W/O Dep</u>	<u>W/Dep</u>	<u>W/O Dep</u>	<u>W/Dep</u>	<u>W/O Dep</u>	<u>W/Dep</u>
	<u>Tiburon, CA-#27</u>		<u>LaJolla, CA-#38</u>		<u>Monterey, CA-#39</u>		<u>Boulder, CO-#45</u>	
07+	\$122.25	\$152.92	\$117.36	\$146.81	\$122.25	\$152.92	\$107.58	\$134.57
06	162.39	198.13	149.23	182.07	162.39	198.13	149.23	182.07
05	153.79	185.14	165.93	199.75	169.97	204.62	149.74	180.26
04	154.93	186.92	158.53	191.27	169.34	204.31	136.91	165.19
03E	158.40	195.45	145.73	179.81	129.89	160.27	158.40	195.45
03	117.22	144.63	114.05	140.72	117.22	144.63	114.05	140.92
02E	143.05	180.96	134.80	170.52	156.81	198.36	129.30	163.56
02	85.28	107.88	85.28	107.88	63.27	80.04	71.53	90.48
01E	161.10	209.70	161.10	209.70	176.14	229.27	146.06	190.13
01	98.81	128.62	105.10	137.00	100.96	131.41	92.36	120.23
	<u>Washington,DC-#53</u>		<u>Miami, FL-#60</u>		<u>Woods Hole, MA-#121</u>		<u>Gloucester,MA-#125</u>	
07+	\$117.36	\$146.81	\$117.36	\$146.81	\$146.70	\$183.51	\$ 97.80	\$122.34
06	136.06	166.00	158.00	192.78	184.34	224.91	140.45	171.36
05	153.79	185.14	186.16	224.11	194.26	233.86	149.74	180.26
04	162.14	195.61	129.71	156.49	187.36	226.04	147.72	178.23
03E	167.90	207.18	152.06	187.63	174.24	214.99	139.39	172.00
03	136.22	168.09	126.72	156.36	139.39	172.00	91.87	113.36
02E	165.06	208.80	143.05	180.96	159.56	201.84	129.30	163.56
02	110.04	139.20	55.02	69.60	88.03	111.36	63.27	80.04
01E	176.14	229.27	158.95	206.90	176.14	229.27	148.21	192.92
01	124.58	162.17	105.25	137.00	128.88	167.76	92.36	120.23
	<u>Pat.River,MD-#135</u>		<u>BaySt.Louis,MS-#167</u>		<u>Pascagoula, MS-#168</u>		<u>Wilmington, NC-#186</u>	
07+	\$ 68.46	\$ 85.64	0	0	0	0	0	0
06	109.72	133.87	0	0	0	0	\$ 21.94	\$ 26.77
05	121.41	146.16	\$ 24.28	\$ 29.23	\$ 24.28	\$ 29.23	40.47	48.72
04	104.49	126.06	32.43	39.12	32.43	39.12	43.24	52.16
03E	114.05	140.72	34.85	43.00	34.85	43.00	47.52	58.63
03	72.86	89.91	12.67	15.64	12.67	15.64	12.67	15.64
02E	107.29	135.72	38.51	48.72	38.51	48.72	49.52	62.64
02	57.77	73.08	0	0	0	0	0	0
01E	128.88	167.76	68.74	89.47	68.74	89.47	77.33	100.66
01	70.88	92.27	27.92	36.35	27.92	36.35	25.78	33.55
	<u>Highland, NJ-#200</u>		<u>Stoney Brook &amp; Kings Point,NY-#218</u>		<u>Corvallis, OR-#245</u>		<u>Kingston, RI-#257</u>	
07+	\$146.70	\$183.50	\$200.49	\$250.80	\$ 73.35	\$ 91.75	\$117.36	\$171.28
06	184.34	224.91	241.39	294.52	114.11	139.23	144.8	214.20
05	198.30	238.73	238.77	287.45	129.50	155.90	137.60	224.11
04	165.74	199.96	219.78	265.17	122.50	147.80	147.72	213.00
03E	174.24	214.99	218.59	269.72	120.38	148.54	152.06	207.18
03	129.89	160.27	161.57	199.36	79.20	97.72	126.72	132.91
02E	162.31	205.32	198.07	250.56	110.04	139.20	140.30	194.88
02	93.53	118.32	129.30	163.56	52.27	66.12	101.79	111.36
01E	176.14	229.27	210.50	274.01	133.18	173.35	156.80	223.68
01	124.58	162.17	139.62	181.74	73.03	95.06	90.22	134.21
	<u>Galveston TX-#280</u>		<u>Norfolk, VA-#298</u>		<u>Seattle, WA-#309</u>			
07+	\$151.59	\$189.26	\$ 39.12	\$ 48.94	\$102.69	\$128.46		
06	188.73	230.26	65.83	80.32	144.84	176.71		
05	202.35	243.60	80.94	97.44	137.60	165.65		
04	183.75	221.70	97.28	117.37	154.93	186.92		
03E	180.58	222.81	117.22	144.63	152.06	187.63		
03	133.06	164.18	53.86	66.45	107.71	132.91		
02E	162.31	205.32	71.53	90.48	129.30	163.56		
02	99.04	125.32	33.01	41.76	57.77	73.08		
01E	180.43	234.86	109.55	142.60	152.51	198.52		
01	105.25	137.00	73.03	95.06	88.07	114.64		



# NOAA CORPS BULLETIN

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Over the past year, I have had the opportunity to observe more closely, that the skill, dedication and hard work of the NOAA Commissioned Corps has provided cohesion to many NOAA programs across organizational lines. In total, NOAA's mission has become an extremely complex but vital service to the Nation. Its many objectives and goals remain, despite curtailment of budgets and personnel. Although the quest for excellence is never easy, it is all the more rewarding when achieved in the face of difficulty.

The fine work of alert and conscientious people, whether serving at sea, on land, or in the air will continue to be our mark of distinction in the years ahead. As we reflect back upon the heritage of the NOAA Corps, it is not without plan that the service has diversified into the many parts of the Agency. Following the use of Army and Navy officers to conduct many of the Nation's land and sea surveys of 100 years ago, to the first group of 67 commissioned officers of the Coast and Geodetic Survey in 1917, to a Corps strength of 365 today, the Corps' professional spectrum has broadened tremendously. I look back upon this past with pride and to the coming year with confidence that, together, we will forge onward with continued outstanding service to our country.

May I join the NC staff in extending our warmest wishes for a happy holiday season and for every success in 1982.

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Commander Richard S. Moody, Jr., skipper of the NOAA Ships RUDE and HECK, was commended along with his officers and crew by the Director, National Ocean Survey, for a "job well done" in their successful location, identification and delineation of concentrated areas of historic low-level radioactive waste dumpsites.

Captain Wesley V. Hull and his Staff were complimented by the Director, National Ocean Survey, for planning, development of necessary project instructions on short notice, and implementation through utilization of the ships RUDE and HECK in the location of historic oceanic dumping areas of low-level radioactive waste.

Lt. Stephen C. Jameson received a Letter of Appreciation from Dr. Eric N. Powell, Department of Oceanography, Texas A&M University, for his assistance in arranging for the use of the Carysfort lighthouse as a research platform. Lt. Jameson's personal help during the cruise on the East Flower Garden Bank Project in the Gulf of Mexico was also greatly appreciated.

#### ASSIGNMENT AND BILLET INFORMATION

Assignment Opening - Environmental Research Laboratories  
South Pole, Antarctica

Physical Scientist

Rank - Lt. (jg) - Lt.

#### Duties

Serves as Station Chief of the Geophysical Monitoring for Climatic Change (GMCC) Observatory, South Pole, Antarctica. This program is within the Air Resources Laboratories, Environmental Research Laboratories, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. It is the mission of the GMCC program to formulate a program of monitoring baseline levels of atmospheric constituents that influence, or are related to, climatic change. A primary goal of the program is to measure the trends and cycles of gases and aerosols over extended periods of 10 to 30 years and to determine the natural and man-made influences on these concentrations and their impact on climate. These activities form part of a larger global network incorporated by the World Meteorological Organization and the United Nations Environmental Program.

The Chief of the South Pole Observatory is responsible for the operation, calibration and maintenance of instruments used to monitor trace constituents in the atmosphere. These instruments include an ozone spectrophotometer for measuring total ozone; and electrochemical concentration cell (ECC) oxidant meter for surface ozone measurements; a condensation nuclei counter for measuring aerosols; small particle detectors; pyranometers and pyrhemeters for solar radiation monitoring and an infrared gas analyzer for carbon dioxide analyses and a nephelometer to measure the light scattering properties of atmospheric aerosols.

- Collects data and analyzes results to identify data anomalies and establish local trends at the observatory. Assures proper integration and performance of all monitoring systems.
- Maintains observatory data collection/reduction systems, including a NOVA 1220 minicomputer, digital to analog converters, signal conditioners and various interfacing components. The employee is responsible for programming the computer in BASIC and machine languages to facilitate data collection and preliminary data analysis.
- Together with the station technician, tests and evaluates new instruments and monitoring methods; makes recommendations to the Director, GMCC, for their application at any or all GMCC stations.
- Performs administrative duties required for normal operation of the station including preparation of periodic tabulation and submission of monthly data and station summary reports to the GMCC office at ERL Headquarters in Boulder, Colorado.

### Knowledge Required

Training and experience in applied science, electronics and computer systems, equivalent to a degree in physics, computer or atmospheric science.

Knowledge of air sampling techniques, equipment operation, and the precision requirements for monitoring background levels of trace constituents.

Ability to apply knowledge of physics and meteorology to determine accuracy of collected data.

An awareness of the latest technological advances and an ability to apply original methods to solve problems not treatable by accepted methods.

### Purpose of Work

The purpose of the work is to collect data which will be used in the GMCC and world-wide effort to identify variables that influence climate or affect global climatic change. Measurements of trace constituents at levels often encountered, "concentrations in the parts per trillion range," require meticulous care to insure accuracy. Moreover, the impact of error is great; scientists of both national and international organizations base their conclusions upon observational data gathered by the four GMCC observatories.

### Work Environment

The employee must have physical and psychological durability to cope with remote, isolated conditions associated with assignment in the Antarctic environment of the South Pole. The usual work environment will be indoors at the South Pole Clean Air Facility. Instrument installation and repairs will be done in the harsh Antarctic environment and will require good physical condition.

### Contact

For further information please contact Lt. Cdr. Robert L. Penry, FTS 320-6212.

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Assignment Opening - Office of Marine Pollution Assessment  
Program Planning and Evaluation  
Washington, DC

Rank - Lt. Cdr. - Cdr.

### Introduction

This position is located in NOAA's Office of Marine Pollution Assessment (OMPA) in the Program Planning & Evaluation (PPE) Division. OMPA provides the focus for and coordinates NOAA's programs and activities in marine pollution research, development, monitoring and assessment.

### Duties

Under the general guidance of the Associate Director, PPE, the incumbent will assist in the following tasks:

1. Preparation of a comprehensive marine pollution program plan for NOAA. The program plan shall include:

An inventory of NOAA's marine pollution projects, including information on personnel, budget, and project content; analyses of NOAA programs in terms of the requirements of the NOAA MLC missions, pertinent legislation, program overlaps and gaps in NOAA, needs and problems identified in the Federal Plan, and other related documents (i.e., regional workshop proceedings); recommendations for redirection of effort and new initiatives; a demonstration of relevancy to the Federal Plan.

2. Provides guidance for the direction of NOAA's marine pollution program activities.

Maintain dialogue with program components concerning program needs, plans, and new initiatives; host meetings to discuss, coordinate, and assemble the marine pollution research, development and monitoring program initiatives for the upcoming budget cycle; develop strategies and recommendations to strengthen NOAA's marine pollution program, and provide guidance for the implementation of projects and programs that would satisfy NOAA's long-term needs in marine pollution research, development, and monitoring; host meetings, conduct site visits, and hold program reviews to maintain effective communication and interaction among the various marine pollution program components, and the various NOAA laboratories that participate in the NOAA marine pollution program; encourage inter-MLC participation in the development of the scope and general direction of the Section 6 (P.L. 95-273) Financial Assistance Program, and the Long-Term Effects Program (Section 202 of P.L. 92-532); and provide for inter-MLC participation in the development of NOAA policy recommendations.

3. Provides support for the National Marine Pollution Program Office.

Update biennially the NOAA input to the Federal Plan by providing inventories of programs, program goals, funding, and other information as required; and provide for NOAA participation in inter-agency task forces, working groups, and regional workshops, and assist in the development of the Federal Plan.

#### Supervision

The incumbent works under the general guidance of the Associate Director, OMPA/PPE. Supervision received is essentially post-audit in nature and pertains to the applicability of results. The officer technically supervises the activities of employees as assigned.

#### Qualifications

The incumbent should possess a broad background in a physical or biological science. The incumbent should have demonstrated ability as a manager of comprehensive, multi-disciplinary marine environmental programs.

#### Contact

For further information contact Lt. Francesca Cava, FTS 443-8906

Assignment Opening - Office of Marine Pollution Assessment  
Northeast Office, Stoney Brook, New York

Rank: Lt. (jg) - Lt. Cdr.  
Standard Shore Billet: 2-3 Years  
Incumbent: Lt. David M. Goodrich

### Introduction

The Northeast Office (NEO), one of the regional offices for the Office of Marine Pollution Assessment (OMPA) is located on the campus of the State University of New York at Stoney Brook, Long Island. It is responsible for identifying and addressing regional problems, needs and priorities on marine pollution matters which deserve attention as part of OMPA national concerns. Current NEO scientific investigations are centering around the pollution problems of the Hudson-Raritan Estuary for two reasons. First, this system influences the environmental health of Long Island Sound and the New York Bight, two bodies of water of national concern. Second, due to the multiplicity of pollution problems in this estuary, the results of the NEO investigations will have regional-wide applicability to other estuaries in the northeast.

### Duties

Principal responsibilities for the officer will be in the design and implementation of the Hudson-Raritan Estuary Project (HREP). The officer is not charged with carrying out research but rather with planning, integrating, and applying research to marine pollution problems, in conjunction with the Northeast Office staff. First stages in the process are the establishment of information needs and the design of a research strategy to fill those needs. In the New York region, the dredging and dredged material disposal issue is one example of an area targeted for future investigations. The officer will be actively involved in this overall planning process and will use his scientific knowledge to develop specific investigatory tasks. Upon arrival, his duties will include finding suitable contractors to perform the investigative research, monitoring the progress of the contractors, and ensuring that the information produced is appropriately disseminated. The officer will also be responsible for monitoring certain unsolicited proposals selected for funding and for following several current contracts through to completion. From time to time the assignment involves the preparation of talks and papers on such issues as ocean dumping of sewage sludge. In general, the officer will be expected to apply oceanographic knowledge toward the solution of marine pollution problems.

### Qualifications

A Bachelor's Degree in geological or chemical oceanography is highly preferable. Written and oral communication skills are necessary.

### Supervision

The officer is under the supervision of the Senior Ecologist of NEO and works as a member of a multidisciplinary team. The officer is given a great deal of flexibility in fulfilling responsibilities.

### Contact

For further information please contact Lt. Cdr. Michael Meyer FTS 443-8906.

Assignment Opening - Office of the Assistant Administrator for  
Research and Development (AA/RD)  
Program Coordination Division  
Rockville, MD  
Rank: Lt. - Cdr.

### Introduction

This position is located in the Office of the Assistant Administrator for Research and Development, Program Coordination Division. The role of the Program Coordination Division in overseeing the coordinated development of policies, programs and budgets, is that it analyzes ongoing and potential RD programs on scientific, technical, and socioeconomic bases to develop policy and budgetary recommendations regarding future programs and issues.

An officer assigned to this billet could expect some involvement in the entire range of research and development functions. However, the principal involvement would be concentrated in several selected areas. These are the areas of laboratory and program reviews; R&D and related service mission program evaluating, planning, and budgeting; management by objectives review; and technology transfer.

### Duties

Management of the Office of Research and Development's (R&D) annual series of reviews of the approximately two dozen laboratories and program offices through which the R&D program is conducted.

Management of NOAA-wide inter-MLC evaluation, planning, and budgeting of R&D programs including their support and improvement of NOAA service mission accomplishments.

Oversight of Management by Objectives review of R&D programs, with selective progression to NOAA Monthly and Quarterly Management Reviews and Departmental Management Planning System review.

Management of the interaction between R&D programs and NOAA service mission accomplishments through technology transfer activities such as those involved in RD compliance with the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980.

### Qualifications

Intellectual capacity for in-depth analyses of programs and policies.

Education and training in physical technology.

Professional commitment to execute assigned tasks in timely manner.

### Contact

For further information please contact Captain Francis D. Moran, FTS 443-8963.

Assignment Opening - Scientific Support Coordinator  
Hazardous Materials Response Project

Rank: Lt. (jg) - Cdr.

Introduction

Position is that of a Scientific Support Coordinator in the Hazardous Materials Response Project, Office of Marine Pollution Assessment, Seattle, WA.

Duties

As a Scientific Support Coordinator, the incumbent will work with the Hazardous Materials Response Project in preparation and implementation of regional contingency plans that will contain basic technical and management guidelines for the Regional Response Teams. Incumbent coordinates scientific support for On-Scene Coordinator.

1. Survey and identify research projects (past and current) that relate to the Hazardous Material Response Project.
2. Establish a current list of research institutions and expertise, with their capabilities for supporting oil and hazardous material spills activities.
2. Interface and coordinate hazardous material project plans with local, State, Federal agencies, and academia.
4. Establish working relationships and contractual arrangements with local, State and Federal agencies, and academia in obtaining analytical, and other support capabilities.
5. Assist in organizing a regional team of scientists to provide oil and hazardous material support.
6. As required, advise the U.S. Coast Guard On-Scene Coordinator on the scientific aspects of the spill mitigation, cleanup, and damage assessment efforts.
7. As required, serve as the primary contact point between the U.S. Coast Guard On-Scene Coordinator and the responding scientific experts.
8. Assist the On-Scene Coordinator in pre-spill planning, where necessary. Conduct preparatory scientific studies (identification of critical habitats) to improve spill response.
9. Facilitate environmental research efforts where appropriate.

Travel

The incumbent will be required to travel on a scheduled basis (20% of time) to his region of primary responsibility, and will be subject to emergency travel as dictated by hazardous material spills.

### Supervision

Incumbent is under the direct supervision of the Manager, Hazardous Materials Response Project, who provides overall objectives and policy guidance.

### Contact

For further information please contact Captain William Barbee, FTS 443-8906.

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Assignment Opening - Logistics Management Specialist  
Juneau, Alaska

Rank - Lt. Cdr.

### Introduction

This position provides logistic support to NOAA Outer Continental Shelf Energy Program - Alaska Office, of the Office of Marine Pollution Assessment. The incumbent will serve as Logistics Management Specialist under the supervision of the Operations Logistic Manager and will be responsible for planning, coordinating, and monitoring marine research operations in support of multi-disciplinary, multi-agency environmental assessment studies on selected Outer Continental Shelf areas in the Bering Sea and Arctic Coast of Alaska.

### Duties

The incumbent provides the following support:

1. Identifies and recommends specific requirements for money, manpower, equipment, instrumentation, vessels, and services needed to support the OCSEAP mission.
2. Ensures incorporation of these requirements in all task elements, study plans, and work statements developed by the Alaska Office or its contractors.
3. Correlates these requirements with program plans to assure that the needed support is provided at the right time and place.
4. Develops, writes, and/or coordinates Project Instructions/ Cruise plans.
5. Reviews operational aspects of work statements submitted to the Alaska Office, to insure inclusion of adequate logistics requirements.
6. Makes site visits as appropriate to field camps and also may spend time in the field coordinating field camp and operations.

The incumbent is responsible for coordinating all activities that will be involved in marine operational aspects of the NOAA/OCSEAP projects in Alaska. Integrates the actions required of each activity into a comprehensive operational plan in support of the program plans and monitors progress towards meeting the operational plan. Identifies and resolves delays or other problems (e.g., instrument or equipment breakdowns, delays in shipyard repairs, delays in development or delivery of instrumentation/equipment, delay in field programs/personnel due to weather). Adjusts the operational plans and schedules as required by delays or changes to logistical requirements. The incumbent is responsible for ensuring close liaison between the Alaska Office and each task element concerning all aspects of program field operations.

### Contact

For further information please contact Captain William Barbee, FTS 443-8906.

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### PROMOTION LIST

Listed below are the names of individuals selected to be placed on the Promotion List by the Officer Personnel Board and approved by the Director. All officers who were in the promotion zone have been notified of the outcome of the Board's recommendations.

#### CAPTAINS PROMOTION LIST

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE OF BOARD ACTION</u>
C. William Hayes	11/12/81
Ralph J. Land	11/12/81
Freddie L. Jeffries	11/12/81
Walter J. Bradly	11/12/81
Robert A. Ganse	11/12/81

#### COMMANDERS PROMOTION LIST

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE OF BOARD ACTION</u>
Warren K. Taguchi	11/12/81
Abram Y. Bryson, Jr.	11/12/81
Donnie M. Spillman	11/12/81
Robert C. Roush	11/12/81
David J. Goehler	11/12/81
William J. Lounsbery	11/12/81

#### LIEUTENANT COMMANDERS PROMOTION LIST

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE OF BOARD ACTION</u>
Andrew M. Snella	11/13/81
Kenneth M. Holden, II	11/13/81
Terry N. Laydon	11/13/81
Dennis J. Sigrist	11/13/81
Thomas L. Meyer	11/13/81
Robert J. Pawlowski	11/13/81
Edward B. Christman	11/13/81

## LIEUTENANTS PROMOTION LIST

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE OF BOARD ACTION</u>
Derek C. Sutton	11/15/79
John D. Wilder	11/15/79
Lawrence F. Simoneaux	11/13/81
Joseph C. Talbott	11/13/81
John W. Blackwell	11/13/81
Samuel P. DeBow, Jr.	11/13/81
Mark P. Koehn	11/13/81
Nicholas E. Perugini	11/13/81
Mark S. Finke	11/13/81
Robert X. McCann, Jr.	11/13/81
Timothy D. Rulon	11/13/81
Linda H. Mezger	11/13/81
Lyle B. Fox, Jr.	11/13/81
Robert M. Mandzi	11/13/81
Miles M. Croom	11/13/81
Marianne Molchan	11/13/81

## LIEUTENANTS (JUNIOR GRADE) (TEMPORARY) PROMOTION LIST

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE OF BOARD ACTION</u>
Timothy B. Wright	6/18/81
Bradford L. Benggio	6/18/81
Richard S. Brown	6/18/81
Robert G. Bill, Jr.	6/18/81
Kenneth P. Peters	7/23/81
Victor M. Rodriguez	6/18/81
Grady H. Tuell	11/13/81
Frederick W. Rossmann	11/13/81
Freddie L. Collins	11/13/81
Perry N. Glickman	11/13/81
Robert D. Henegar	11/13/81
Susan D. Dinkel	11/13/81

NEW ROSTER OF COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

The new roster will look different. Lineal numbers are now assigned to all officers on active duty; twenty percent of the dates of rank have been changed to reflect seniority; and, there is no column entitled "Promotion Control Date."

In the past, lineal numbers were not assigned to admirals of the upper half because they were not counted against the authorized strength in the annual appropriation laws. Other officers who held temporary grades pursuant to 33USC 853j-1(c) were shown with the lineal number of their permanent grade because they counted against the authorized number of officers in that permanent grade. Often, this did not reflect the officer's seniority (lineal position) in the grade which actually serving. Now, seniority will be reflected by the lineal number and date of rank except as provided by NDM 56-44. If an officer

reverts to permanent grade, he or she will be assigned the lineal position and date of rank which would have been held if there were no temporary promotion.

On and after October 1, 1981, eligibility for promotion consideration is based on time-in-grade determined from the officer's date of rank. Therefore, the old promotion control date will no longer be used. Previously, it was used to determine an officer's eligibility for promotion date and for determining seniority among officers. Since eligibility is now based on time-in-grade, the promotion control date column is no longer necessary. In determining the date of rank in the new roster, an officer's date was held to the actual date of promotion when it fell in proper lineal sequence. In 20% of the cases, this was not possible due to changes in seniority resulting from the annual review process or a late correspondence course or a late lieutenant commander exam. The newly adjusted date of rank for these officers reflects the appropriate seniority based on the relative difference in the old promotion dates. Any questions on this subject should be addressed to Commander Dropp or Mr. Tom Lauer of the Commissioned Personnel Division.

#### PROCEDURES FOR NONTEMPORARY STORAGE

In order to have a nontemporary storage order written, the NOAA Corps officer is to contact the NOAA Travel and Transportation Branch (MB/A043) in Rockville or Northwest Administrative Service Office (MB/NW3) before making arrangements with the carrier or storage facility. That office will verify that the carrier and/or facility is Government approved, otherwise, HHE are not insured. A copy of the travel order (and amendments, if any) is to be furnished by the officer to the Travel and Transportation Branch with all required information. They will then write the nontemporary storage order and will send copies to NC2, Finance Division, Storage Company, and the officer. If there are any questions regarding storage entitlement, the officer should contact NC1.

#### ARMED FORCES TAX GUIDE

The U.S. Navy Judge Advocate General's Tax Office is no longer preparing the Armed Forces Tax Guide -- yet another budget cut casualty. Officers desiring a similar reference are advised that the IRS Publication Number 17 will be available at their regional IRS offices. The pamphlet also may be ordered at no cost by using the order form on the back of the IRS Form 1040.

#### VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Question - I understand that there has been a change in the Veterans Administration burial allowance benefit. Please provide an explanation of the current allowance.

Answer - A burial allowance was previously available to all wartime veterans. The new regulations provide an allowance of \$300 payable toward the burial of only those veterans in receipt of Veterans Administration pension or disability compensation at the time of death or for those who die in VA medical facilities.

Question - Is it possible for me to pay my Veterans Administration guaranteed home loan before it becomes due?

Answer - Yes. A VA guaranteed loan may be partially or fully paid at any time without penalty.

Question - Are my Veterans Administration benefits subject to taxation?

Answer - No. Under federal law, all benefits administered by the VA are exempt from taxation.

Question - I bought a home recently with a GI guaranteed home loan. I have now discovered some defects which the seller refused to fix. Can the VA help me?

Answer - The Veterans Administration cannot compel a seller to remedy defects or to fulfill a contract on an existing home. However, there is a one-year guarantee on a newly constructed home. Contact the nearest VA office for details.

#### I. APPROVED ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Cdr. John T. Atwell from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN to the Office of Management and Budget, Northwest Administrative Service Office, NASO (June 1982)

Lt. Cdr. Albert E. Theberge from EDIS, National Geophysical and Solar Terrestrial Data Center to the Marine Physical Laboratory, Scripps Institute of Oceanography. (June 1982)

Lt. Cdr. Dean R. Seidel from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DAVIDSON to the OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center as Chief of the Processing Division OA/CAM3. (February 1982)

Lt. Cdr. William Lounsbery from Full-Time University Training to the National Advisory Committee on Oceans and Atmosphere (NACOA). (February 1982)

Lt. Cdr. Andrew A. Armstrong, II from the OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship WHITING as the Executive Officer. (January 1982)

Lt. Francesca M. Cava from RD, Office of Marine Pollution Assessment to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship McARTHUR. (October 1982)

Lt. Gary S. E. Lagerloef from RD, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER. (October 1982)

Lt. Thomas G. Clark from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship RAINIER to the OA/NOS, Pacific Marine Center, Processing Division, Computer Support Group (January 1982)

Lt. David L. Gardner from the RD, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship McARTHUR. (June 1982)

Lt. (jg) Lyle B. Fox from the OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center to the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship McARTHUR. (June 1982)

Lt. (jg) John W. Humphrey from the OA/NOS, MT. MITCHELL to the OA/NOS, Atlantic Marine Center, Hydrographic Survey Branch (CAM11). (February 1982)

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McFee, Cynthia from the South Pole GMCC Station to the RD/ERL, Office of Geophysical Monitoring for Climatic Change, Boulder, CO.

Stirrup, Eric C. from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN to the NMFS, Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center.

Ferguson, J. Scott from the OA/NOS, NOAA Ship DISCOVERER to the NMFS, Southwest Fisheries Center, Honolulu Laboratory, Honolulu, HI.

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None

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26. TRAVEL
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