



Supply Chest

July 5, 2002

Ready - Resourceful - Responsive!

Vol. 54 No. 12

CAX boat handlers make their mark in war on terrorism



Pictured, left to right, are (front row) Woody Sanders, Julie Krohn, Cecil Williams, Mike Ryan. Back row - FISC Norfolk Commanding Officer Capt. Bill Kowba, Vernon Taylor, Curtis Wilgus, Diane Hibbler, Rickey Strong, Linda Gray, Chester Christian, Wayne Grimes, and FISC Norfolk Cheatham Annex Officer-in-Charge Capt. Cliff Davis.

FISC Norfolk Cheatham Annex employees were recognized recently for their role in supporting the Navy Boat Inventory Management Program. The thanks came from the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Detachment Norfolk, Carderock Division. Their letter is paraphrased below:

This letter is to express our sincere appreciation for the exceptional efforts performed by FISC Norfolk, Cheatham Annex, in support of the Navy Boat Inventory Management Program. Worldwide events including the attack on USS Cole and the attacks of Sept 11, 2001 have resulted in a significant increase in fleet requirements to implement new and expanded Anti-Terrorism/Force Protection (AT/FP) measures. In order to provide the fleet with the boats necessary to meet operational requirements, CNO has mandated the rapid acquisition and fleet introduction of a great number of new AT/FP security, patrol and support boats. In addition, to satisfy urgent immediate AT/FP operational requirements, modifications to a number of existing Navy boats have been accomplished. Many of the boats modified for AT/FP use were available in stock at the CAX. Boats are received, stored, then issued and shipped from the Navy Boat Inventory Control Point at CAX. Since September 2001, 62 boats have been procured for AT/FP by NAVSEA and delivered to FISC, Cheatham Annex and 88 boats have been issued and shipped. The continuously increasing tempo of boat related operations prompted by the AT/FP mandates has been accomplished by the CAX warehouse and transportation personnel without any delays or other problems. Modifications and repairs to boats in stock at the Navy Boat Inventory Control Point at CAX have been a critical part of the AT/FP effort. Additional release and receipt efforts have been required for 60 boats since September 2001. These boats were often released to local industrial activities for modifications or repairs to make them ready for issue for the AT/FP mission, then returned to stock and subsequently issued to the fleet. We would also like to express our gratitude for the manner in which the CAX warehouse and transportation personnel have accommodated NAVSEA, the boat builders and their contractors. Please express our sincere appreciation and gratitude to your personnel for their exceptional efforts and performance of duty in supporting this vital mission to protect our Sailors, Installations and Ships worldwide.

John M. Mathias
Boat Inventory Manager

What's inside?

Thank you volunteers	2
NR FISC Norfolk Det. 407 demonstrates versatility . . .	3
TR officer recognized for supply excellence	4
Powertrack is here!	6
Bravo Zulu	7-8

Thank you volunteers for all of your hard work



By Sid Etherington
Executive Director, FISC Norfolk

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your support of our partner in education, Oceanair Elementary School. Many of you remember that we “adopted” Oceanair in 1990.

The school has approximately 600 students, pre-K through 5th grade. They draw from the Ocean View area of Norfolk between Chesapeake Boulevard and Tidewater Drive. Many of the students have parents in the Navy so they are often without a parent due to deployments. The school is full of dedicated

teachers and administrators ever so grateful for any help we can provide to them.

Throughout the last 12 years we have faithfully helped them in various ways. However, during this last school year the entire command has truly come together and taken this partnership to a new level. You have not only managed to maintain the monthly birthday parties at the school, but have found new and more meaningful ways to help the students, teachers and parents of this fine school. I personally have been associated with the partnership since its beginning and have always been so proud of our efforts and dedication, but this year was a banner year for sure.

There have been clothing drives, Christmas family projects, Easter gifts, Career Day, SOL Testing Appreciation Day, and Graduation parties. The school could not be more pleased and regularly sends “thank you” notes written by the students.

I want to thank some of the main members of the committee. Donna Crawford and Sheila English and others on the Food Service Board and Welfare and Recreation Committee for their very hard work in supporting this effort. I want to thank Lindsay Dunn for handling all the birthday invitations. I want to thank

every one of you from all the departments who visited the school and conducted the birthday parties.

I cannot name you all. I apologize for that. But I, along with the teachers and students, really appreciate the way you “showed up.” I know how moving it is to see all those children eat the cake and ice cream. It is the little things that count. I am already aware of some of your ideas for next year and all I can say is, “it is worth it and you are the greatest.”

We are giving back to our own community. The children need our attention. The teachers need the help. There is a great deal of talk in our country about volunteering, so those of us who can, need to give back to our communities. We have been doing it as a command for 12 years. You have given 75 birthday parties for more than 7200 children. You have helped more than 60 families at Christmas time. You have attended and supported the last 12 Career Days.

It's amazing what a little time and effort can turn into. The momentum is strong, the cause is great, I know you will keep up the good work, because the little smiles make it all worthwhile. Thanks again, and keep the good ideas coming. The 2002-2003 school year will be even better!

Supply Chest

Fleet and Industrial Supply Center
1968 Gilbert Street, Suite 600
Norfolk, Virginia 23511-3392
(757) 443-1013/14

Capt. William A. Kowba, SC, USN, FISC Commanding Officer
Capt. James N. Hagarty, SC, USN, DDNV Commander
Bob Anderson, FISC Public Affairs Officer/Managing Editor
Jim Kohler, Editor
Bill Pointer, Staff Photographer
Steve Craddock, Staff Graphic Illustrator

This appropriated funds newspaper is an authorized publication for military and civilian personnel of the Fleet and Industrial Supply Center (FISC), Norfolk, and the Defense Distribution Depot (DDNV), Norfolk. It is published by the FISC Public Affairs Office, located in building W-143, Naval Station Norfolk. Contents of the Supply Chest are not necessarily the official view of, or endorsement by, the US Navy. The Supply Chest is a bi-weekly publication published in compliance with the provisions of NAVSO P-35. It is a member of the American Forces Press Service and is available on line at www.nor.fisc.navy.mil. Material may be reprinted if proper credit is given. Submit material to the FISC Public Affairs Office, Code 01, or call (757) 443-1014 DSN 646-1014; FAX (757) 443-1015. All material is subject to editing.

NR FISC Norfolk Det. 407 demonstrates versatility

During the first nine months of this fiscal year, NR FISC Norfolk Det. 407 has supported three different FISC Norfolk operational departments. These have included the Supply Department at the Norfolk Naval Shipyard Annex, Code 300 Material Operations Department, and the FISC Ocean Terminal Division.

Attached to the Naval Reserve Center in Wilmington, N.C., unit members drive upwards of 900 miles roundtrip to provide support during IDTT weekends. An even greater indication of their dedication to the Navy than the great distances they travel is the fact that most are willing to work outside of their rates when supporting FISC Norfolk. There are currently very few supply rated personnel in the unit. The majority of the unit consists of personnel in rates as varied as machinist mate, personnelman, and boatswains mate.

A review of the unit's recent IDTTs is illustrative of the degree and versatility of support that reservists can provide. After supporting the FISC Supply Department at the NNSY annex for several years in the areas of inventory control and material management, the unit was reassigned to the HAZMAT area of Code 300 Material Operations Department in March. During its initial weekend at its new site, the unit hit the deck plates running, processing over 80 receipt documents and inventorying more than 600 items.

No sooner had the unit gotten used to its new surroundings than in May it got the call to lend its services to yet another FISC operation, this time the Container Freight Station (CFS) of the FISC Ocean Terminal Division. After a quick orientation to the facility and operation, including instruction on start-up procedures, interpreting displayed information and physical handling, unit

members were assigned to two functional areas.

Several members (EM1 Danny Ngo and BM3 Dennis Moore) helped in the "frustrated" material section where shipping documentation discrepancies of newly received material are resolved. Over the course of the weekend, they assisted in the processing and preparation for transfer of 1,500 pieces of material.

Other members assisted in the "stuffing" section where all outbound items are grouped and packed for shipment. Each item must be scanned and verified against a shipping document that applies to the particular outgoing container. Once the items are scanned they are packed in the shipping containers. During the weekend, FISC Norfolk Det. 407 personnel scanned and packed nine 40-foot containers, each with 60 measurement tons capacity for a total of 540 measurement tons of shipped goods. When MM3 Harold Sidbury used his commercial driver's license to operate a semi-truck and reposition 12 40-foot shipping containers, it was just another example of a reservist leveraging his civilian occupational skills and qualifications to serve the Navy.

When the dust had settled on the weekend, Mr. Kerry Foerst, CFS Branch Head, remarked, "we really appreciate and value the assistance that



GSM3 Jerrod Rivers (left) and JO3 Mary Burnside, NR FISC Norfolk Det. 407, sort material in Building X-218 during a recent IDTT.

the reserve units provide." He also noted that the unit personnel "hit the deck running."

In June, it was back to the HAZMAT area of Code 300 Material Operations Department for the reservists of FISC Norfolk Det.407. During the weekend of June 8-9, they helped sort and inventory hazardous material containers returned from the fleet as part of a new cost saving initiative. Material returned from the fleet is inspected, stored and re-issued at no additional cost to other commands in need.

July's IDTT weekend is looming on the horizon for the reservists of FISC Norfolk Detachment 407. Where will it take them? Stay tuned...

TR Sailor recognized for logistic excellence

By JO3 Kathryn Whittenberger

Showing the same initiative and drive that propelled USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71) through Operation Enduring Freedom, Lt. Cory Schemm was recognized for logistical excellence.

As the division officer for the Stock Control Division (S-1), he has received the Vice Adm. Robert F. Batchelder Award for logistical excellence. He was one of five winners in the fleet, and credits his division for the honor.

"I have a great division," the Buffalo, N.Y., native said. "I have excellent people, and I'm lucky enough to be their division officer."

Lt. Cmdr. Dane Denman, TR's Prin-

cipal Assistant for Logistics, said the Navy League gives the annual award to Supply Corps officers who signifi-

cantly contribute to the supply readiness of operating forces.

"The superb performance of Lt. Schemm as the

stock control officer on board TR resulted in his selection from an exceptional group of candidates," Denman said. "He is without a doubt one of the sharpest junior supply corps officers I have worked with in the past 14 years. He mastered one of the most critical and impacting billets on the ship."

The award included the interval when TR was deployed and broke the record for longest at sea period with-

out a port call. During the ship's record-breaking combat cruise, more stress was placed on the ship, including the Supply Department, to keep everything flowing smoothly.

"It was an extremely difficult cruise," said Schemm. "But all of Supply was incredible."

"To give you an idea of the tempo, during a 'normal' deployment the ship receives a replenishment at sea every ten to 14 days," said Denman. Every item that comes aboard must be accounted for, and is tracked in Stock Control. "In support of Operation Enduring Freedom, we received a RAS every five to seven days."

He said their motivation showed, since each of the Sailors in S-1 up for advancement from the last cycle made it, except for the two that are awaiting board results to become chiefs.

"The award is good recognition for the division," said Schemm. "They don't have a divisional award; they have to attach it to a person. I attribute the award to them."



FISC Norfolk Det. Philadelphia OIC retires after 21 years of service

Cmdr. Daniel L. Downs, SC, USN, Officer-in-charge of FISC Norfolk Detachment Philadelphia, retired from the Navy on June 18, 2002 after serving as the OIC from July 1997 to the present. Cmdr. Downs sea assignments were aboard USS Denver and USS John Young. Shore assignments included tours at Naval Air Systems Command; Office of the Secretary of Defense, Strategic Defense Initiative Organization; Naval Regional Contracting Center, Naples, Italy. Cmdr. Downs and his family plan to remain in the Philadelphia area. Capt. (SEL) Richard A. Ellis, SC, USN, previously at NAVICP Philadelphia, assumed the responsibilities of OIC on June 18. "It was a pleasure working under the leadership of such a fine officer, and we wish Cmdr. Downs and his family all the best in the years ahead," said Nancy Currey of the FISC Norfolk Det. Philadelphia administrative staff.

News Briefs

One Touch Support now available via the World Wide Web. One Touch Support, a Web site for research and procurement of government and commercial parts and material, is now available on the World Wide Web at www.onetouch.navy.mil.

One Touch Support gives Fleet sailors, industrial activities, and other support providers the capability to perform integrated technical screening, stock checks, requisition input, requisition status checks and shipment tracking from over 20 government and commercial data sources. The Web site also includes a streamlined registration process with email notification of approval, single sign on for all one touch applications, the ability to personalize the site, text only or full graphics views, mouse-over supply code definitions, site and registration tours, on-screen help and much more.

One Touch Support, developed by the Naval Supply Systems Command (NAVSUP), replaces seven existing supply related Web sites.

For more information on One Touch Support, contact Ms. Bonnie J. Brown at 717-605-4166, DSN 430-4166, or by email at onetouch_navsuphq@navsup.navy.mil.

Design concepts sought for Pentagon attack memorial. Department of Defense (DoD) officials announced a competition June 11 to choose a design for a memorial to honor those killed in the Pentagon terror attack nine months ago.

Shortly after the Sept. 11 attack, Congress authorized a memorial to those killed. The Army Corps of Engineers is in charge of the competition.

The memorial is set to be built on a two-acre plot near where the hijacked jet slammed into the building. The Corps team, working with family members of the victims and representatives of the services, looked at 10 sites before selecting this one.

"One of the family members said Sept. 11 chose the site," said Carol Anderson-Austra, the Corps project manager.

The competition is open to anyone. Anderson-Austra said the Corps is ready to receive any and all submissions "from schoolchildren, ... professional architects or truck drivers in Oklahoma or Kansas." The families of those killed are looking for "just the right idea," she said.

Rules for the competition will be on the Web at pentagonmemorial.nab.usace.army.mil. Entrants can also receive the rules by writing: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Baltimore District, Public Affairs Office, P.O. Box 1715, Baltimore, MD 21203.

Deadline for submission is Sept. 11, 2002, at 5 p.m. EDT. The Corps will appoint a jury to winnow down the entries. The jury will consist of six sculptors, architects and landscape architects; a representative from the victims' families; and two prominent citizens from the Washington, D.C., area.

Anderson-Austra said she expects thousands of entrants and is prepared for them. She said the Corps is not looking for final ideas and blueprint, but rather an artistic idea. She expects that by mid-October the jury will select five or six designs for further work. By mid-December the jury will meet again and select its recommendation for a memorial.

Anderson-Austra could not say who will make the actual design selection.

The budget for the design and site work right now is \$2 million. If all goes as planned, the memorial will be dedicated on the second anniversary of the attack — Sept. 11, 2003.

Visit DoD's homeland security Web site at www.defenselink.mil/specials/homeland to learn more about the Department of Defense role in homeland security.

Visit the Defense Department's "Defend America" Web site at www.defendamerica.mil for the latest news and information about America's response to the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks and the war against terrorism.

Correction

In the June 7 issue of the Supply Chest, Carolyn Burns, Code 303, FISC Norfolk General Schedule Employee of the Quarter, was erroneously identified as Carolyn Owens. We apologize for the error.



NAVTRANS Powertrack training team instructs local financial managers on system tools



Yvette Williams explains to funds managers the functionality of the U.S. Bank PowerTrack transportation payment system. The Navy-wide training is being conducted to accomplish the objectives of the Management Reform Memorandum #15 (MRM 15). MRM 15 tasked the Defense Transportation and Financial Communities to reengineer the Transportation Business Process including documentation, billing, collection, and payment. This course is valuable to those Navy Fund Managers with the responsibility for reviewing and tracking transportation charges. During the year, training sessions will be conducted at the DFAS Norfolk Learning Center located in building Z-133 and other Naval sites. NAVTRANS has developed a new website to support PowerTrack implementation which can be accessed at www.navpwtrk.navy.mil. Questions on this process should be directed to Mr. Thomas Tucker, the Navy's PowerTrack Financial Implementation Manager at 443-5531, or e-mail thomas_e_tucker@navtrans.navy.mil.

Know the rules: Illegal parking will cost you time, might cost \$\$\$

Parking spaces around W-143 are assigned to individuals. The spaces against W-143 are reserved 24 hours/7 days.

The spaces located in the Green Lot (westend of W-143) and in the "F" Parking lot (next to the smoking gazebo, Gilbert Street) are reserved and assigned.

Visitor parking spaces (V-1 to V-31) in front of W-143 and against Y-109 are reserved for visitor parking only. If you work in W-143, you are not authorized to park in the visitor reserved parking spaces.

All employees not assigned a reserved parking space should park in either the Orange/Y/Z parking lots and ride the bus.

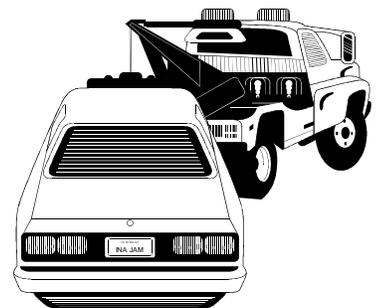
If you are an extended visitor (not issued a reserved visitor space) or temporarily assigned to W-143, you should park in the Orange/Y/Z Parking lots. This includes all tenants located within W-143.

The following is the base policy for illegally parked vehicles:

- **First offense** - Parking ticket issued and the decal month/year will be scraped from the vehicle. If this happens, take the ticket and go to the Pass Office, Hampton Blvd., and they will reissue the month/year to you.

- **Second offense** - Parking ticket issued, the decal month/year will be scraped from the vehicle, and your vehicle will be towed at your expense. If this happens, take the ticket and go to the Pass Office, Hampton Blvd, and they will reissue the month/year to you.

- **Third offense** - Parking ticket issued, have your DoD base decal scraped, vehicle towed at your expense, and your on-base driving privilege will be suspended for six months.



Bravo Zulu



GM1(SW) Charles Mitchell is congratulated by FISC Norfolk Executive Officer Capt. Paul Flondarina after he was frocked to his present rank.



GM2 Hadee Reynolds is congratulated by FISC Norfolk Executive Officer Capt. Paul Flondarina after she was frocked to her present rank.



PC1(SW) Damos Grogg is congratulated by FISC Norfolk Executive Officer Capt. Paul Flondarina after he was frocked to his present rank.



PC2(SW/AW) Terry Alexander is congratulated by FISC Norfolk Executive Officer Capt. Paul Flondarina after he was frocked to his present rank.



PC3(SW) Laqueta Gault is congratulated by FISC Norfolk Executive Officer Capt. Paul Flondarina after he presented her with the NATO Medal.



Cmdr. Paul Vanhoosen is congratulated by FISC Norfolk Commanding Officer Capt. Bill Kowba after receiving a letter of appreciation from Maj. Gen. Edward Lafontaine, Joint Forces Staff College.

Bravo Zulu



Lt. Cmdr. Roger Lord (center) is congratulated by FISC Norfolk Commanding Officer Capt. Bill Kowba after receiving a Navy/Marine Corps Commendation Medal.



Curtis Wilgus, Cheatham Annex, is congratulated by FISC Norfolk Commanding Officer Capt. Bill Kowba for 35 years of federal service.



Joe Caskie and Julie Krohn (pictured at left, with Capt. Kowba) are congratulated by FISC Norfolk Commanding Officer Capt. Bill Kowba for their efforts in process and material flow improvement as part of the Material Control Branch of Custody Asset Division. Also recognized, but not pictured, were Lois Gray, and Gerald Dale. Their work has resulted in improved control and visibility of material.



Al Jones is congratulated by FISC Norfolk Commanding Officer Capt. Bill Kowba for his efforts in packing, crating and packaging 792 pieces of material during the past quarter.



Chester Christian is congratulated by FISC Norfolk Commanding Officer Capt. Bill Kowba for his support of the reimbursable/MSIR stock programs at CAX. He developed a rewarehousing plan to accommodate a Peninsula stow plan, processed CASREPS, and developed an annual physical distribution training plan, along with other noteworthy accomplishments.