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From the Director's Desk

As you know, NMAO has played a significant role in the ongoing Hurricane recovery efforts. The Secretary of Commerce has solicited volunteers to support FEMA and DHS in providing relief to the region affected by Hurricane Katrina. NOAA Corps officers who are interested in volunteering are to follow the guidelines provided at http://ohrm.os.doc.gov/Programs/PROD01_001099.html.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jonathan W. Bailey".

Captain Jonathan W. Bailey, NOAA
Director, Commissioned Personnel Center

Annual Combined Federal Campaign Kicks Off

The 2005 to 2006 Combined Federal Campaign began September 1st and will run six consecutive weeks through Dec. 15 for bases within the continental United States. The overseas CFC campaign will run from Oct. 1 through Dec. 15. Exact dates and campaign goals are established in each geographic area by the local federal coordinating committee and are available through the installation CFC project officer. Last year, federal employees and service members donated a record-setting \$257 million to the campaign.

Contributions can be in cash, check or by payroll deduction. On average, one in four federal employees or their dependents will benefit from the campaign charities this year, CFC officials said. Donors may designate which charity or charities receive their money by filling out a pledge card. For more information, contact local campaign project officers or visit the CFC Web site at www.opm.gov/cfc.

DEERS Not Automatic for Families

Active duty and retired service members (referred to as sponsors) are automatically registered in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) but their dependents are not. The sponsor is responsible for making sure their dependents are enrolled in DEERS. Sponsors are also responsible for reporting any changes that affect DEERS eligibility and TRICARE benefits (i.e. address change, name change, marriage, divorce, death, birth, adoption, student over 21) to their servicing Personnel Office. The points of contact for NOAA are Neavalv Touray or Gregory Raymond at 800-224-6622.

OFFICIAL PASSPORTS REQUIRED

MEMORANDUM FOR: All NOAA Corps Officers

FROM: Rear Admiral Samuel P. De Bow, Jr., NOAA
Director, NOAA Corps

SUBJECT: Official Passports

Due to our dynamic mission and the flexibility needed by all NOAA Corps officers, I am mandating that all NOAA Corps officers must get and maintain an official passport. Please review chapter 306 of the NOAA Travel Regulation for instructions on how to apply for an official passport. The NOAA Travel Regulation can be reviewed at the following link: <http://www.ofa.noaa.gov/%7Efinance/TR.NOAAreg2.htm>. Jeanette McDonald is the NOAA Corps point of contact for official passports. If you have any questions please contact Jeanette McDonald at (301)713-3418 x202 or Jeanette.Mcdonald@noaa.gov.

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