Commissioned Personnel Center

CYBERFLASH



March 11, 2010

Director's Message

Thank you for your useful comments on the proposed Mission, Vision, and Guiding Principles, as the comment period ended yesterday. I will write more on this subject in a future Cyberflash message.

CAPT Raymond C. Slagle, NOAA

Director, Commissioned Personnel Center

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Announcements

CAPT Promotion Zone

The zone for Captain is listed as below; it has changed slightly. Officers that have failed to be selected for promotion two or more times are reviewed but are above zone, as well as those with approved resignations. Officers with approved voluntary retirements are not reviewed for promotion, those with involuntary retirements are reviewed.

WINGROVE, RICHARD R.

TEBEEST, RANDALL J.

ADLER, JOHN J.

LYNCH, ANNE K.

MANGELS, KARL F.

LOPEZ, ANITA L.

HAGAN, JEFFREY C.

LONGENECKER, JOHN K.

ACO Scholarships -- Call for Applications

The Executive Committee of National ACO Scholarships, Inc. has issued its annual call to high school seniors and college undergrads for applications for scholarship awards for the 2010/2011 academic year. The two-page application form is available on the "Resources" page of the NOAA Officer Family Association website (www.nofaweb.org), under the heading "National ACO Scholarships, Inc." Application forms may also be obtained by contacting Secretary/Treasurer Captain Dave Peterson, NOAA (Ret), by phone (301-921-6357) or email (kmpdhp@comcast.net). Complete application packages should be sent to the corporation's post office address (on the application form) and should be postmarked this year no later than Friday, April 30, 2010.

Dental Services Update

As of August 1, 2009 United Concordia began administering the Department of Defense's Active Duty Dental Program (ADDP). Under this new program, active duty personnel can access dental services in the private sector when they are unable to receive care at a military dental treatment facility (DTF). Currently, the ADDP is only available to the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, and Navy. Therefore, the NOAA Corps and Public Health Service Commissioned Corps (PHS) are not eligible for the ADDP. NOAA Corps officers may continue to seek care from the DTF's; however it may be difficult to schedule appointments because of the shortage in staff. Therefore, you are authorized to receive dental care from a civilian provider if the DTF is unable to provide you with full dental service.

Routine services such as annual and bi-annual dental exam(s), cleaning(s), and simple filling(s) are authorized and do not require pre-authorization from the NOAA Corps Medical Administration Branch. Officers needing any major dental services such as root canal(s), crown(s), orthodontic treatment, etc. are required to obtain pre-authorization from the NOAA Corps Medical Administration Branch prior to receiving these services. The dental office must submit the request via fax or by mail. When obtaining dental services from a civilian provider you must present a copy of your uniformed services identification card and instruct the provider to submit billing information to: LCDR Elizabeth Hobson-Powell, CPC/Medical Administration Branch, 8403 Colesville Road, Suite 500, Silver Spring, MD 20910 or the provider can fax the Dental Claim Form to 301-713-2039 to receive payment by credit card.

Upcoming Uniform and Awards Board Meetings

March 16, 2010 -- note change in date April 13, 2010

Approved Retirements/Resignations/Separations

The following officers have approved retirements, resignations, or separations. Be sure to thank them for their service to NOAA and nation and wish them the best the next time you see these officers!

LT Silas M. Ayers	March 31, 2010
LCDR Andrew A. Hall	May 1, 2010
LTJG Rebecca JR. Almeida	June 1, 2010
LCDR James A. Bunn, II	June 1, 2010
LT David A. Strausz	July 31, 2010
CDR Andrea M. Hrusovsky	August 1, 2010

LTJG Allison R. Mahaney	August 15, 2010
CDR Michael S. Weaver	September 1, 2010
LT Amanda M. Hancock	September 15, 2010
CDR Paul L. Schattgen	October 1, 2010
CDR Carl R. Groeneveld	July 1, 2011
CAPT Michael D. Francisco	August 1, 2011

On the Horizon

Feb 15 - Jun 22, 2010	A-School for BOTC 116, Kings Point, NY
Apr 6 - Apr 30, 2010	PSSO/REFTRA (D-School), Kings Point, NY

Please see CPC website for additional information:

Ship Augmentation Needs: http://www.corpscpc.noaa.gov/cpchome/augmentation.html

Assignments: http://www.corpscpc.noaa.gov/careermgmt/assignments.html

Evaluations: http://www.corpscpc.noaa.gov/careermgmt/evaluation.html

Training: http://www.corpscpc.noaa.gov/careermgmt/training.html

Uniforms & Awards: http://www.corpscpc.noaa.gov/perservices/awards.html

Wiki Fleet: https://www.st.nmfs.noaa.gov/confluence/display/FleetWiki/Home