

## **New Billet at OMAO**

The Director, NOAA Corps has approved a new billet, External Affairs Officer (billet 0037), which is an O2 position. The External Affairs Officer serves within the OMAO Public Affairs Staff. The mission of the Public Affairs Staff is to keep the public informed of the Office of Marine and Aviation Operations roles, missions, and policies by conducting an aggressive and proactive public affairs program that keeps all those interested in OMAO's activities informed through either media relations, community relations, or internal relations activities. The duties and responsibilities to support this mission are broad and varied. Outstanding interpersonal skills, including writing and speaking skills, are preferred. The incumbent will develop and enhance the following competencies while assigned to this position: listening, speaking, writing, team building, leveraging diversity, and influencing others. The Director, NOAA Corps has selected an officer to fill this high priority billet, beginning in August 2009. Therefore, officers interested in this assignment should be those rotating from their initial sea assignments in August 2012. These officers have yet to report to their first sea assignments from A-School (formerly BOTC) 113, 114, or 115. If you have questions regarding this billet, please feel free to contact the Chief, Officer Assignment Branch, LCDR Jeremy Adams, at 301-713-7694 or [assignmentbranch.cpc@noaa.gov](mailto:assignmentbranch.cpc@noaa.gov).