

CPC CYBERFLASH

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From the Director's Desk

CPC is pleased to announce that we have now received Department and USCG clearance for authority to wear the Operational Dress Uniform, or ODU. The ODU will be a general purpose NOAA Corps uniform that will initially replace the following NOAA Corps uniforms: Winter Blue, Tropical White, Winter Working Blue, Working Khaki, and Tropical Khaki.

The ODU will become a prescribed uniform for wear onboard ships, marine centers, and designated small boat assignments effective February 1, 2008. There will be no transition or phase period.

CPC will provide ordering information and uniform directive in the near future. Additionally, CPC expects to provide training on proper uniform components and wear throughout the fall and winter onboard ships, marine centers, BOTC, and REFTRA.

See the link under the "Announcements" section of the following url for a sneak peak of the ODU (the presentation is provided solely for informational purposes):

http://www.noaacorps.noaa.gov/cpc/index.html

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Promotion Package Update

The 2007 promotion package has not yet cleared the Department of Commerce. CPC will notify all affected officers once clearance has been obtained. Please direct any questions or concerns to Katherine Raymond, Chief, Officer Personnel Management Division, at 301-713-7732 or Katherine.raymond@noaa.gov.

Billet of the Week

The National Weather Service (NWS) Space Environment Center (SEC) in Boulder, CO is seeking a mid-grade officer to serve as Project Manager (Billet # 4700). SEC is one of nine national Centers for Environmental Prediction and provides real-time monitoring and forecasting of solar and geophysical events, conducts research in solar-terrestrial physics, and develops techniques for forecasting solar and geophysical disturbances. The SEC Forecast Center is jointly operated by NOAA and the U.S. Air Force and is the national and world warning center for disturbances that can affect people and equipment working in the space environment http://www.sec.noaa.gov/index.html.

This billet provides an officer the chance to work on a variety of projects in addition to qualifying and serving as a Space Weather Forecaster in SEC's Operations Center. Projects are assigned by both the Chief, Forecast & Analysis Branch and the Director, Space Environment Center. Routine duties include maintaining and advancing the Center's Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP), conducting drills and exercises with the Space Weather Operations Center of the Air Force Weather Agency and often serving as the Acting Chief of the Forecast and Analysis Branch. Special projects have included serving as the chief organizer for the annual Space Weather Workshop, the Nation's leading conference on space weather, and participating in various management initiatives and the pending reorganization of the Space Environment Center.

The incumbent officer is due to rotate out January 2009. Anyone interested in this billet is welcome to contact LCDR Jim Illg at 303-497-6498 or jim.illg@noaa.gov or the Assignment Officer, LCDR John Caskey, at 301-713-7748 or assignmentbranch.cpc@noaa.gov.

Volunteer Opportunity

4-8 volunteers are needed from 1230 to 1430 on July 25th at Robinson Terminal Peer in Old Town Alexandria to host educational workshops for approximately 40 area students. Each NOAA Corps officer will guide a group of 10 students; ages 10-12 through (2) 30-minute workshops. All materials and instructions will be provided. If you are interested in participating please contact Jennifer Hammond: 301-713-7610; Jennifer.Hammond@noaa.gov.

From July 25th through July 26th, NOAA Corps Officer Recruiting Branch will display a NOAA Corps booth for the purpose of recruiting and disseminating information about the Corps. If you are interested in volunteering to staff the booth please let LT Nicole Manning know as soon as possible; 301-713-7736; Nicole.Manning@noaa.gov.

These activities are in support of NOAA's 200th anniversary celebration in Old Town Alexandria (July 24 - July 27), culminating in the change of command ceremony for NOAA Ship THOMAS JEFFERSON. Thank you in advance for any support you can offer.

CPC Hint of the Week

Officers are reminded that no period of Regular Liberty may be encompassed by periods of Annual Leave. For example, if you are on leave Friday and again the following Monday, you will be charged Annual Leave for the weekend. The only exception being that you reported for regular duty on Saturday and/or Sunday. Please refer to NCD Chapter 6, Parts 1 and 2 for further information.

On The Horizon

June 28 BOTC Graduation

July (Exact date TBD) CAPT Assignment Board

July 31 OER End of Reporting Period (ENS/LTJG)

August (exact date TBD)

September (exact date TBD)

September 15

CDR Assignment Board

LCDR Assignment Board

OER due at CPC ENS/LTJG)

October 18 Start of REFTRA 63

October 31 OER End of Reporting Period (CAPT/CDR)
November 30 OER End of Reporting Period (LCDR/ LT)

December 15
January 15, 2008

January 15, 2008

OER due at CPC (CAPT/CDR)

OER due at CPC (LCDR/LT)

Documents due at CPC for OPF

March 2008 Selection Boards