

Commissioned Personnel Center CYBERFLASH



February 23, 2010

Director's Message

I apologize for sending this message twice -- in the first message the names from the latter half of the alphabet were inadvertently left off the list. This message contains the full list of BOTC members.

BOTC 116 began last week with 16 ensigns taking the oath on February 16th. This is the first BOTC going through the new "indoctrination" program that is more in line with the Direct Commission programs of other services. More emphasis and time is dedicated to "the meaning of a commission, leadership, protocol, discipline, NOAA Corps heritage, and physical readiness. The capstone of indoctrination will be attending a one week Leadership and Management School at the USCG Academy. Graduation from A-School is June 22, 2010. Please join me in welcoming the following officers to the NOAA Corps:

Name	Degree	College/University
Bliss, Kelli-Ann E.	BS – Marine Science	Maine Maritime Academy
Clark, Jennifer S.	BA – Environmental Studies	Pitzer College of CA
	MS – Horticulture	Washington State University
Hefferan, Shannon K.	BS – Meteorology	Penn State University
Klemm, Anthony R.	BS – Environmental Science	University of Florida
Lewis, Sarah E.	BA – Biology	Illinois Wesleyan University
Park, Richard J.	BS – Biology	University of South Florida
Flowers, Leslie Z.	BS – Materials Science & Engineering	Virginia Tech
Peterson, Sam	BS – Mathematics	University of Utah
	MS – Mathematics	Arizona State University
Phillips, Joseph T.	BS – Atmospheric Sciences	University of North Carolina – Asheville
Proie, Andrea L.	BA – Environmental Studies	University of Pittsburgh

Rivera, Felix A.	AA – Pre-engineering BS – Biology	Lon Morris College Jarvis Christian College
Rodziewicz, David J.	BS – Economics & Finance	University of Illinois
Salling, Kyle S.	AAS – Aviation BAS – Professional Aeronautics BBA – Information Systems	University of Cincinnati Embry Riddle University of Cincinnati
Sinquefield, Timothy C.	BS – Biology	University of Southern Mississippi
Smith, Daniel D.	BS – Geological Engineering	University of North Dakota
Thomas, Larry V.	BS – Biology MS – Biology	Jacksonville State University

We are NOAA Corps Officers First

There has been much discussion over the past few years on the identity of the NOAA Corps. We are an elite, geographically dispersed, corps of highly trained commissioned officers who provide operational support and leadership to NOAA missions and the American people. We all took the same Oath of Office upon accepting a commission in the NOAA Corps. We swore to support and defend the Constitution of the United States and to bear true faith and allegiance to the same. We expect to be held to a higher standard and display the utmost integrity, professionalism, and commitment to service. Our core values of Honor, Respect, and Commitment are the foundation for the decisions and actions we take every day – no matter where we are or what mission we are trying to accomplish. We are NOAA Corps Officers first.

BOTC indoctrination has been modified to provide more training and emphasis on what it means to be a Commissioned Officer. Officership, heritage, protocol, customs, core values, professionalism, teamwork, and leadership are taught through classroom sessions and demanding activities in-line with direct commission programs in other services. As mentioned above, BOTC 116 began the program last week.

As part of the new program, a NOAA Corps Ethos was proposed by ENS Jonathan Heesch. An ethos is a distinguishing character, sentiment, moral nature, or guiding beliefs of a person, group, or institution. It provides a basis for what a NOAA Corps Officer is. The root meaning of Officership and the tool with which we remind ourselves of that meaning each day. I welcome your comments.

I am a NOAA Commissioned Officer.

I am an Operational Specialist at Sea or in the Air.

I am a Scientist and a Steward of our Oceans & Atmosphere.

Above all though, I am a Leader, dedicated to Safety, Operational Excellence, Professionalism, and the Citizens whom I serve.

I serve with Honor, Respect, and Commitment to my Country and my Corps.

I am Semper Illic, from line office to the front line of scientific discovery!

We are the NOAA Commissioned Corps!



CAPT Raymond C. Slagle, NOAA
Director, Commissioned Personnel Center

Announcements

Promotion Zones

Zones for the upcoming officer promotion boards have been approved. The Lieutenant zone cannot be announced at this time because the results of the last board have not been approved by the Secretary. The LT zone will be announced as soon as it is approved; the LT and LTJG boards will meet in October, 2010. The LTJG zone will be released in the future. The other zones and board dates are listed below. Remember, officers that have failed to be selected for promotion two or more times are still reviewed but are not in-zone, so are not listed.

CAPTAIN Zone, 8 officers to select 4. Board Date: April 14, 2010

WINGROVE, RICHARD R.

TEBEEST, RANDALL J.

ADLER, JOHN J.

WEAVER, MICHAEL S.

LYNCH, ANNE K.

MANGELS, KARL F.

LOPEZ, ANITA L.

HAGAN, JEFFREY C.

COMMANDER Zone, 17 officers to select 12. Board Date: April 15, 2010

BRENNAN, RICHARD T.

DUNBAR, ADAM D.

SWEENEY, MARK M.

FISCHEL, PETER C.

ADAMS, JEREMY M.

DEMERS, DAVID J.

SILAH, MICHAEL J.

SIROIS, SCOTT M.

BRAKOB, DEVIN R.

ZEZULA, DAVID J.

WETZLER, MARK A.

ZEGOWITZ, KURT A.

GALLAGHER, TIMOTHY J.

BISHOP, JOE C.

HANCOCK, NATHAN H.

SIEGEL, PETER V.
BAILEY, DEMIAN A.

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER, 16 officers to select 13. Board Date: May 12, 2010

GRUCCIO, DENISE J.
MADDOCK, SHAWN
CRAPO, ELIZABETH
BEAUCAGE, DONALD E.
KEMP, PAUL W.
PEET, KATHERINE R.
LEVINE, MICHAEL G.
SHOUP, JEFFREY D.
CASANOVA, HECTOR L.
MANNING, NICOLE M.
JOHNSON, ERIC T.
SCHAER, JASPER D.
HANCOCK, AMANDA M.
DAVIS, NATASHA R.
LOMNICKY, JOHN J.
RINGEL, MATTHEW R.

NOAA Corps Mission, Vision, and Guiding Principles

The proposed NOAA Corps Mission and Vision have been slightly modified after review by the Deputy Under Secretary. The modified statements are shown below. The Director, NOAA Corps would like to give officers another opportunity to comment on the statements over the next two weeks. Please review the proposed Mission, Vision, and Guiding Principles and provide any comments by March 10, 2010. Send comments to the Director, CPC via the Director.CPC@noaa.gov email address.

Mission: Lead discovery and explore earth's oceans, coasts, and atmosphere to improve understanding of the global environment.

Vision: The NOAA Corps will be the Nation's premier service for worldwide environmental observations, providing the technical and operational expertise, dynamic leadership, and breadth of background and experience to optimize NOAA's missions.

Guiding Principles: NOAA Corps officers serve with "the special trust and confidence" of the President, charged with upholding and protecting public interest. The Corps is a premier service which provides the technical and operational expertise, leadership, and breadth of background and experience to optimize NOAA's missions.

WikiFleet Website -- Information for Ships

Previously known as the XO Wiki, WikiFleet has been upgraded to a new server, is running, and being used by more people every day. WikiFleet has adopted the NOAA DMS (document management system) structure to provide consistency with MOC's Powerway system which is the next generation MOCDOCS. Remember, WikiFleet is not policy. WikiFleet is a codification of best practices and procedures and a clearinghouse of information. Please take a moment to peruse --or better yet--contribute content. You'll need your NOAA LDAP credentials to log in. The website has been added to the links at the bottom of the Cyberflash as well.

<https://www.st.nmfs.noaa.gov/confluence/display/FleetWiki/Home>

Upcoming Uniform and Awards Board Meetings

March 09, 2010

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!

LTJG Julie L. Earp	February 28, 2010
LCDR Geoffrey S. Sandorf	March 1, 2010
LTJG Andrew P. Seaman	March 1, 2010
LT Silas M. Ayers	March 31, 2010
LCDR Andrew A. Hall	May 1, 2010
LTJG Rebecca J.-R. 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
LT Amanda M. Hancock	September 15, 2010

On the Horizon

Feb 15 - Jun, 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>