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Recently, Dr. Sullivan spoke with Tom Fox, a guest writer for the "On Leadership" section of the Washington Post on-line. Mr. Fox is Vice President for leadership and innovation at the nonprofit organization, Partnership for Public Service. Fox also heads up their Center for Government Leadership. This insightful interview shares the NOAA Administrator's perspective on agency goals and organizational objectives. The article can be found here http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/on-leadership/wp/2013/08/30/creating-the-right-work-atmosphere/?wprss=rss_federal_government and provides information on NOAA's focus for the future.

[Information Security Technology Awareness Course](#)

The 2013 NOAA Information Technology Security Awareness Course is now available at <http://noaa.learnsecuritywith.us>. This year's course requires users with a @noaa.gov email address to use the Single Sign On button (left hand side of the screen) to enter the course. Be sure to use your email name (i.e. John.Smith) and email password to log on. In order to continue to use NOAA computing resources, you are required to complete the course no later than **September 30, 2013**. At this juncture, approximately half the NOAA Corps officers have completed the course. Course completion is being tracked, therefore, we recommend completing the training well ahead of the established due date.

Maintaining the security of NOAA is an ongoing process. Successful implementation of this process requires you to be adequately informed of the latest threats and your responsibilities to combat these threats. For this reason, it is mandatory requirement for every NOAA IT user to complete the course every year. NOAA's information technology security awareness program remains successful due to your continued diligence and efforts to secure NOAA's information resources.

[Notice of Promotion Package Update](#)

A promotion package effecting 48 officers is routing to the Secretary for approval, effective October 1st. Only officers in compliance with medical standards will be eligible for promotion.

Awards

AWARDS RECEIVED IN MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

NOAA Corps Commendation Medal:

CAPT Michele A. Finn

NOAA GOM Disaster Response Center:

For sustained exceptional service as the Deputy Director and Facilities Manager for NOAA's new Gulf of Mexico Disaster Response Center

NOAA Corps Achievement Medal:

CAPT Anita L. Lopez

Eastern Acquisition Division:

In recognition of your dedication and creativity to collaboratively address long-standing procurement challenges across the fleet

LT Ryan A. Wartick

Hydrographic Systems and Technology Programs:

For outstanding achievements and sustained superior performance as the Hydrographic Systems and Technology Programs East Coast liaison, and for above and beyond the call duty dedication to NOAA Corps and the community

LT(jg) Sara A. Slaughter

NOAA Ship Ka'imimoana

For exemplary performance and dedication to the NOAA Ship Ka'imimoana and the Tropical Atmosphere Ocean Equatorial Buoy Array

Mid Grade Leadership Training

Mid-Grade Leadership training will be offered in Kansas City next year from April 28th - May 9th (the first and last days being travel days.) Eligible officers will be contacted by CPC. This will be the seventh Mid-Grade Leadership Training course, and will once again be a fully integrated session bringing together NOAA Corps Officers, OMAO Civilians and Wage Mariner personnel. One of the greatest benefits of Mid-Grade Leadership Training has been shared experiences from the different communities represented. The diversity of participants offers a wider variety of topics and scenarios, bringing different viewpoints from throughout OMAO to be utilized in class discussions and exercises. This integration contributes toward addressing actions identified in Goal 2 of the OMAO Strategic Plan, and will move OMAO forward in standardization of leadership training as these programs grow and expand.

Assignment Branch

The Emergency Notification System (ENS) test took place this week. The ENS uses information you can manually enter into the staff directory. Ensure that your phone number, address and federal manager names are updated.

While you are in the staff directory, take a look at the organization and ORG code sections. Changes in this section cannot be made manually. If this section is incorrect and..

1. You have PCS'd recently and have not turned in your endorsed PCS orders, this will not be correct. This section is updated only after endorsed PCS orders are provided to the Assignment Coordinator.
2. You have PCS'd recently and turned in your endorsed PCS orders, this process is potentially slightly

delayed as it is manually entered by the Assignment Coordinator upon receipt. Then, the IT department sends in a monthly update.

3. You have PCS'd two months or more and it is still not correct.

Email AssignmentBranch.CPC@noaa.gov and inform LCDR Goeller of the problem and what the ORG code should be. If you don't know your org code, review the staff directory for the person in your same office/branch and report that org code.

On the Horizon

25 September 2013	CAWG Operation Officers Follow-up Board
15 October- 2 November 2013	REFTRA
19 December 2013	BOTC 122 Graduation
28 April - May 9 2014	Mid Grade Leadership Training

Approved Resignations, Separations and Retirements

The following officers have approved retirements, resignations, or separations within the **next three months**. Be sure to thank them for their service to NOAA and nation.

CAPT Randall TeBeest	01 October 2013
CAPT Michele Finn	01 October 2013
CAPT Michele Bullock	01 October 2013
LT Matthew Burton	01 October 2013
LCDR Sarah Mrozek	14 November 2013
CAPT Richard Wingrove	01 December 2013