



***Greetings Shipmates from N'awlins!***

*As you can tell it has been a busy two weeks, the CMDCM Continuum in Great Lakes, that concluded last Sunday and then traveling to Norfolk, VA to hear the presenters on Monday that took part in the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Navy Career Counselor Symposium, the headliners included, ADM Harvey, RADM Holloway, RADM Quinn, RDML Shoemaker and MCPON West. Each one of these great leaders provided an update on the status of the Navy and spoke about the importance of PTS and what it means to each Sailor serving in our Navy. It was a privilege to address the ~ 950 Navy Counselors who attended on Tuesday morning, my topic of discussion focused on the outstanding opportunities and benefits of continuing to serve in the Navy, as part of the Navy's Reserve Component. You could tell by the questions that they wanted to understand the Navy Reserve and be able to provide as much information as possible to Sailors when they are making the decision to remain on Active Duty or pursue a career as part of our Navy's Reserve Component. Remember that we are all recruiters and we want to retain the FIT Sailors, so do your part to educate, if you have specific questions contact NCCM Joe Mack at CNRF by visiting the Navy Reserve Homeport Site and clicking on the "questions/comments" link. Lots of great information can be found under each of the N-codes, so take a few moments to review.*

*On Tuesday afternoon, I traveled from Norfolk to New Orleans to speak to the Sailors attached to MFR and NALO on Wednesday morning and the highlight of the trip was being able to travel with FORCM Dave Pennington and CMDCM Scotty Woods to FORCM Tom and Heather Mobley's residence in Slidell, LA. Tom had a bright smile on his face when we entered on that rainy afternoon, and I know that we received more from Tom and Heather than we would ever be able to give back during that brief visit. We could feel the love was still growing between Tom and Heather, you could see it in their eyes and gentle touch.*

*Each one of us reflected on the fact that we are blessed to have spouses that allows us to serve in these positions of leadership. Tom is currently using equipment that will allow him to communicate by looking at a monitor and blinking his eyes to form sentences, I told him this was pretty cool gear, but I would have a hard time because it did not have spell check included. Tom flashed that big smile and laughed! We wanted Tom and Heather to know that the Shipmates that he had mentored and trained over the years were still thinking about him and wanted to say Thank-You for making a difference in their lives. We had a PAO in tow so look for some photos and an article in the future. Tom and Heather allowed Dave and I to take a few photos as a group that afternoon, it was pretty cool having FORCM 11, 12, & 13 together. What a great afternoon to reflect and stay in tune with what we call "Life/Work Balance." Please send cards and notes to FORCM Tom & Heater Mobley, 1414 Hillary Drive, Slidell, LA 70461. On Thursday morning, I briefed the RCC SE, CO/SEL Conference, what an outstanding group of engaged leaders that represent the Sailors attached to RCC SE. Thursday afternoon, CMDCM Chuck and LSCS Burt Wallace two leaders with over 53 years of Navy Service retired at The National WWII Museum, if you have the opportunity to tour the new facilities I suggest you do so, just have some time because of the outstanding exhibits. As I spoke to attendees, and participants it was evident that Burt was still mentoring and leading Sailors until they walked through the side boys for the final time together. Whew, that is enough for this week.*

*Not sure when the E-7 results will be posted, until then review the 2010 Induction Guidance with your leadership team that includes your Ombudsman.*

*Have a safe and enjoyable Fourth of July weekend!*

*Remember those service members who have paid the ultimate sacrifice and those who are serving in harms way around the globe so that we can enjoy freedom each day!*



**Latest Updates**

**USS Constitution Chief Petty Officer (CPO) Heritage Training:**  
<http://www.npc.navy.mil/NR/rdonlyres/0E313E8F-85A2-4825-BAC5-5FDB932A2BFE/0/NAV10214.txt>

**NavyWomen eMentor Program Open Enrollment Period:** THE NAVYWOMEN eMENTOR LEADERSHIP PROGRAM has just begun a new open enrollment period lasting until 15 Aug 2010. The NavyWomen eMentor Program is a web-based mentoring program that connects uniformed Navy women for one-to-one or situational mentoring relationships within a large pool of very diverse participants. These participants include all ranks from Seamen to Admirals and reflect a broad range of experience and expertise. All uniformed Navy women are encouraged to sign up to participate! You can sign up today by completing a brief registration form at [www.academywomen.org/ementor/signup](http://www.academywomen.org/ementor/signup). Within 2 days you'll receive an email inviting you to log in at the eMentor Program website to create an account and profile, and if you are a mentee, to search for and select a mentor or to create a mentoring situation.

**Academic Skills Transition To Online Academic Skills Course For Military Success:**  
<http://www.npc.navy.mil/NR/rdonlyres/565991C9-8BF4-497E-A05B-C0C810684E06/0/NAV10216.txt>

**RC Foreign Language and Culture Pilot Program:** The Fall Semester is fast approaching and the RC Foreign Language and Culture Pilot Program can assist those already enrolled in a college or university as well as Sailors who wish to improve their education. This program offers a bonus for Sailors who pass a Foreign Language or a Foreign Culture Awareness course at a local college or university. The program is restricted to certain languages, regions, ratings and designators. Ask your local Educational Services Officer (ESO) or log onto the Navy Reserve Website then navigate to CNRFC N7. I highly encourage those who are eligible to utilize this program.

**Social Security Expedites Disability Applications For America's 'Wounded Warriors':** Men and women serving in our Navy and the U.S. military who become disabled while on active duty are receiving 'expedited processing' of disability claims from Social Security. The expedited process is for military service members who were disabled on or after October 1, 2001, regardless of where the disability occurs. People in the military can apply for and receive benefits even while receiving military pay.

And to make things easier for our service men and women, we've developed an easily accessible website all about benefits for wounded warriors. Whether you're stateside or deployed abroad, just visit [www.socialsecurity.gov/woundedwarriors](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/woundedwarriors) <<http://www.socialsecurity.gov/woundedwarriors>> . The website has everything you need to know about Social Security and military service — including a link to apply for disability benefits online. Once the application for Social Security disability benefits is taken, it is uniquely identified as being from a U.S. military service member, and it is expedited through all phases of processing, both in Social Security and the state Disability Determination Service, where the actual medical determination of disability is made. Disabled military personnel may apply for disability benefits at any time while in active military status, or after discharge, whether they are still hospitalized, in a rehabilitation program or undergoing out-patient treatment in a military or civilian medical facility. It is important to understand, however, that the definition of disability under Social Security is different than the definition of disability for veterans' benefits. To be considered disabled under Social Security, you must be unable to do substantial work because of your medical



condition(s); and your medical condition(s) must have lasted, or be expected to last, at least one year or be expected to result in death. Also, Social Security does not provide benefits for people with partial disability or short-term disability. Military servicemen and women can receive expedited service whether they apply for Social Security disability benefits online or in person at the nearest Social Security office. The online site for applications from military personnel is [www.socialsecurity.gov/woundedwarriors](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/woundedwarriors) <<http://www.socialsecurity.gov/woundedwarriors/>> . Disability applicants can also call 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778) to schedule an appointment at their local Social Security office.

**Member/Recorder Application For Fy-11 Senior Enlisted Continuation Board:**

Board membership. Board will be comprised of a Flag Officer as President, approximately 10 Captains, and 70 to 80 Fleet, Force and Command Master Chiefs. Ten to 15 Master Chiefs will serve as recorders. Board members will be a diverse group of professionals representing different ratings, geographic locations, and warfare specialties of the active component, full-time support, and selected reserve communities.

<http://www.npc.navy.mil/Boards/EnlistedContinuation/>  
<http://www.npc.navy.mil/NR/rdonlyres/C6970CF9-AEDD-4FA0-910E-F7ADB693BFF1/O/NAV10180.txt>

**2010 Reserve CMC Continuum Briefs:**

<https://private.navyreserve.navy.mil/3447B/n00/N00C/default.aspx?RootFolder=%2f3447B%2fn00%2fn00C%2fCMC%20DOCUMENT%20LIBRARY%2f2010%20CMC%20CONFERENCE&FolderCTID=&View=%7b4806795A%2d10A7%2d49FA%2d9EB2%2d1104BA498AC0%7d>

**"Ready Now!" Monthly Newsletter:**

<http://www.navyreserve.navy.mil/Ready%20Now/Shared%20Documents/Newsletter.aspx>

**VADM Debbink's Podcast:**

<http://www.navyreserve.navy.mil/Pages/Podcast.aspx?ID=19&List=%7b285611BA-BD12-44F1-9B67-BB253701966C%7d&URL=/Podcast/VADM%20Debbink%20Podcast%20-%20July%202010%20-%20Honoring%20our%20Civilian%20Employers.mp3>

**CNRFC N1 Monthly Newsletter:**

<https://private.navyreserve.navy.mil/3447B/n1/PAGES/N1NEWSLETTER.aspx>

**Information On Nominations For National Navy Reserve Policy Board And Commander, Navy Reserve Force Navy Reserve Policy Board:**

[https://private.navyreserve.navy.mil/3447B/n5/Lists/Announcements/Attachments/8/POLICY%20BOARD%20MSG\\_7\\_2\\_2010\\_7\\_42\\_11.pdf](https://private.navyreserve.navy.mil/3447B/n5/Lists/Announcements/Attachments/8/POLICY%20BOARD%20MSG_7_2_2010_7_42_11.pdf)

**Around the Force**

**Monthly "Ready Now!" Newsletter with Weekly Report.** Amplifying this week's report is the July edition of our "Ready Now!" newsletter, which describes the Navy Reserve Strategic Communication theme for the month. Our monthly themes represent the alignment of our actions and our words, integrating theme-specific activities across all informational functions. This month's theme, "Honoring Civilian Employers" guides our principle efforts to recognize these patriotic Americans employers whose support enables the service of our Navy Reserve Sailors. VADM Debbink intends to include our monthly newsletter with the first weekly update of each month.



**Guest Speaker at Recent Returning Warrior Workshop.** VADM Debbink had the honor of welcoming home 74 Returning Warriors and 58 of their spouses and guests at the Returning Warrior Workshop (RWW) in Milwaukee last weekend. The impressive outreach of support from the Psychological Health Outreach Teams (PHOT), Chaplains, the Navy League, and community organizations *reminded our Returning Warriors that we are dedicated to supporting them, individually and proactively.* Serving as the banquet keynote speaker and engaging in conversations with small groups, he was able to emphasize our *Navy's commitment to our Sailors and their families, whenever and wherever they need our help.*

**RC Advocate Call with Congressman Hall (R-TX).** VADM Debbink met with Rep. Hall on Tuesday in his Capitol Hill office. He discussed the Navy Reserve Strategic Plan and the Force composition and achievements since 9/11/2001. 208 Navy Reservists from Rep. Hall's district (4th District, TX) have mobilized since 9/11, and they discussed the important role of the *civilian employers in his district, whose support enables our Navy Reservists to serve our Navy and our Nation.* Discussing the critical link between family readiness and Sailor readiness, Rep Hall expressed interest in attending a future Pre-Deployment Family Readiness Conferences near his district.

**Navy Reservist Takes Command of CJTF Paladin in Afghanistan.** Navy Reserve Captain Jan Schwarzenberg recently assumed command of CJTF Paladin, leading the counter-IED efforts in Afghanistan. In partnership with Afghan National Security and coalition forces, the Task Force currently controls two EOD battalions and numerous intelligence analysts and targeting specialists coordinating the integration of theater counter-IED capabilities.

**30 DAY OUTLOOK**

- \* Wounded Warrior Visit, Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, Germany (9-11 Jul)
- \* Reserve Family Weekend, NOSC Omaha (17-18 July)
- \* Navy Band Concert in Honor of the 2009 Sailors of the Year, Washington (20 July)
- \* 2009 CNO Sailor of the Year Recognition Ceremony, Navy Memorial (22 Jul)
- \* RADM Cullison Retirement Ceremony, National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda (6 Aug)

**60 DAY OUTLOOK**

- \* Pre Deployment Family Readiness Conference, NOSC Boise (7 Aug)
- \* PACOM AOR Trip (22-27 Aug)

<b>As of 30 June 2010:</b>			
<b><u>Operational Support Snapshot</u></b>		<b><u>RC Post Deployment Health Re-Assessment</u></b>	
FY10 Pres Bud End Strength	65,500	<b><u>Compliance:</u></b>	
RC Sailors (FTS/SELRES) Onboard: (Delta -423)	65,077	Navy Reserve Force: 98.0%	
RC Sailors Performing Operational Support:	20,593	<b><u>RC Medical Readiness</u></b>	
RC Sailors Mobilized or Deployed:	6,810	Fully Medically Ready:	83.1%
CPO's Mobilized	889	Partially Medically Ready:	4.9%
RC Flag Officers on Active Duty:	22	Total:	88.0%
Average Weekly Savings Using VR Airlift:	\$911K		

***"We sleep safely in our beds because rough men stand ready in the night to visit violence on those who would harm us."***

***George Orwell***