



***Greetings Shipmates from NOSC Greenville SC!***

*First, allow me to say congratulations to all the new Chief Petty Officers and families who were challenged over the past weeks! It is always great to see the power of the mess at work during this process. Welcome aboard Chiefs. You are looking great in your new khakis; now you are "The Chief" so make things happen for our Navy.*

*On Friday, I was privileged to be part of the 83<sup>rd</sup> Fleet Reserve Association (FRA) National Convention in Spartanburg, SC as part of the Senior Enlisted Board. FRA has been a voice for enlisted members of the sea services on Capitol Hill since 1924.*

*This weekend I spent some time at NOSC Greenville, SC as the guest speaker at NOSC Greenville's September drill weekend 18/19. The weekend was filled with events that displayed Navy History and traditions. The weekend included the CPO Pinning, Navy Ball and Pre- Deployment Family Readiness Conference (PDFRC ), which provided Sailors and families with guest speakers from Military Once Source, Command Ombudsman Information, Military Family Life Consultations Program (Sharing expertise on Personal Financial Management), TRICARE Health Care Services, Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve(ESGR), American Red Cross, ECPI College of Technology, and The Fleet and Family Support Center with great education and information to ensure the readiness of our Sailors and their families here at NOSC, Greenville. NOSC Greenville continuously provides outstanding training and administrative support to all Select Reserve units and personnel through: Quality instruction and directed mobilization training, effective medical, dental and administrative support, professional quality messing, berthing and supply support, effective recruiting and retention programs to retain quality personnel, promoting friendly and cooperative community relations. In the last year NOSC Greenville collectively completed over 170 Military Funerals Honors in Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina.*

**Latest Updates**

**Bronze Star Recognition for I.A. Sailors.** Commands are reminded that if your Sailor receives a Bronze Star from another branch of service the Sailor must obtain the CNO's concurrence before the award can officially be awarded to the Sailor and entered in his/her record. Please ensure your Sailors know that CNO concurrence is not automatically guaranteed. Once the other service awards a Bronze Star to a Navy Sailor, the award must be submitted to and approved through the CNO's Awards Board. DOD Instruction 1348.22-M discusses the difference in Bronze Star Medal awards policy between the services. Navy's interpretation of the warfighting intent of the Bronze Star has always included a requirement for personal exposure to hostile action. However, in today's complex combat environment, our Awards must also give credit to those who are exposed to significant risk of hostile action. There also is requirement that the Sailor's performance had to have been at a significant level of merit. That said, the CNO Awards Board supports Bronze Star awards when the award submission paperwork clearly delineates that the Sailor was exposed to significant risk of hostile action AND that the Sailor's performance was on par with the level of merit normally identified with that required for the award of the Meritorious Service Medal. Both of these requirements must be met."

**WHAT IS A RETURNING WARRIOR WORKSHOP AND HOW CAN I ATTEND ONE?**

The Returning Warrior Workshop (RWW) is a weekend for the Navy to take care of the military personnel who have been deployed in support of combat or combat support operations. Taking care of our people is one of the Chief of Naval Operation's top three priorities.



**The RWW focuses on three major goals:**

1. Honoring Warriors for their sacrifice of standing in harm's way to protect our country and its citizens along with honoring their significant other for supporting the Sailor and keeping the house functioning while the Sailor was away.
2. Raising awareness for the Warrior and family members that may be experiencing some difficulty adjusting or reintegrating following their deployment with resources for assessment and referrals.
3. Affords Warriors and Family members the opportunity to learn about the many resources available to assist families with reintegration into civilian life.

The specific target populations are SELRES, FTS and AD that have completed a mobilization/IA in a combat zone or area in which they were exposed to highly stressful situations.

Warriors (Service Member) who have recently returned from a mobilization or deployment as an individual augmentee are cordially invited to attend a Returning Warrior Workshop (RWW) with the guest of their choice. The guest may include a spouse, significant other, or family member. The definition of family member has been expanded to include: girlfriend, boyfriend, parent, brother or sister. Children are not allowed.

The Warrior will attend the RWW on ADT or DTS travel orders. The event is held at a 4 Star hotel away from military bases and every day distractions. Civilian business casual attire is required. The goal is to give loved ones a chance to reconnect. All lodging, meals, conference fees, and miscellaneous expenses are covered at the RWW and include: dinner Friday night, three meals on Saturday, and breakfast and lunch on Sunday.

Warriors are reimbursed for POV travel expenses up to 350 miles from home of record so that one guest may accompany. We are unable to pay for plane tickets.

**For more info on this program, contact your chain of command or:**

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311/10 **FY12 ENLISTED SELECTION BOARDS FOR NAVY RESERVE AND ACTIVE DUTY MASTER AND SENIOR CHIEF PETTY OFFICERS CYCLE 209**

303/10 **OBSERVANCE OF HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH 2010**

302/10 **JANUARY 2011 E7 NAVY-WIDE EXAMINATIONS AND FY12 ACTIVE E7 SELECTION BOARD CYCLE 210**

**Around the Force**

**RC Sailors from SEAL Team EIGHTEEN (ST-18) Enhance the Total Force in CENTCOM.** Reservists of ST-18 recently provided 433 days of deployed operational support to Naval Special Warfare Squadrons in the US Central Command AOR. Showing their *responsiveness and ability to serve across a wide spectrum of operations*, the RC SEALs deployed as a Mobility Air Support Team (MAST), providing critical support to ensure a complete Relief in Place (RIP) and Transfer of Authority (TOA) for the deployed combat squadrons. *Serving as a force multiplier*, the RC support enabled the Navy SOF combat forces to remain focused on combat missions while seamlessly completing the operational transfer of squadron combat equipment.



**Welcome Home for Returning Service Members at BWI.** VADM Debbink and FORCM Ronney Wright had the privilege of joining the outstanding civilian volunteers of "Operation Welcome Home" in personally greeting 125 Service men and women as they arrived at BWI airport on Friday. OCNR Staff members have committed to participating in at least one "Operation Welcome Home" event a year.

**QDR Directed RC Future Roles EXCOM Review.** The VCJCS and Secretary Dennis McCarthy (ASD/RA) established an EXCOM to conduct a QDR directed comprehensive review of the future roles of the RC with a report to SECDEF by January 31, 2011. They have invited the Services to provide a brief to the group about the capabilities provided to the COCOMS through a blend of AC and RC personnel and platforms. N095 and N3/N5 will use this opportunity to jointly brief the Navy's strength as a Total Force, comprised of both an Active and a Reserve Component, each having both operational and strategic elements.

**"Good to Great" Yellow Ribbon Program (YRP) Conference.** On Tuesday, VADM Debbink and FORCM Wright joined Secretary Dennis McCarthy (ASD/RA) and Flag/SES and senior enlisted leadership from the Guard and Reserves at the YRP conference in Orlando. The general session, panel discussion and breakout meetings involved an impressive lineup of veterans' affairs, family support and medical care representatives from the government and civilian sectors. With 152 Navy Sailors and civilians (and over 700 total participants in attendance), the joint forum provided the opportunity to share ideas and discuss new ways in which our YRP can *better support our Service members and their families.*

**30 DAY OUTLOOK**

- \* FRA's 83rd National Convention, Senior Enlisted Panel, Spartanburg, SC (17 Sep)
- \* Speaker, CPO Pinning, Navy Birthday, NOSC Greenville, SC (18 Sep)
- \* Navy Five Miler, Washington, DC (26 Sep)
- \* OPNAV N095 Staff PFA and picnic (8 Oct)
- \* Speaker, Navy Birthday, NOSC Cincinnati, OH (9 Oct)
- \* Navy Birthday (13 Oct)
- \* FORCM Markum Retirement (Sideboy) (15 Oct)

**60 DAY OUTLOOK**

- \* Navy Birthday Ball, Washington, DC (15 Oct)
- \* Army Ten Miler (24 Oct)
- \* 35th USMC Marathon (31 Oct)

<b>As of 16 September 2010:</b>			
<b><u>Operational Support Snapshot</u></b>		<b><u>RC Civilian Employment Information (CEI)</u></b>	
FY10 Pres Bud End Strength	65,500	<b><u>Compliance:</u></b>	
RC Sailors (FTS/SELRES) Onboard: (Delta -487)	65,013	Navy Reserve Force: 96.0%	
RC Sailors Performing Operational Support:	20,050	<b><u>RC Medical Readiness</u></b>	
RC Sailors Mobilized or Deployed:	6,893	Fully Medically Ready:	84.0%
RC CPO's Mobilized	940	Partially Medically Ready:	4.7%
RC Flag Officers on Active Duty:	23	Total:	88.7%
Average Weekly Savings Using VR Airlift:	\$843K		