



The OAKLEAF

Scott gift for scholarships and programs sets new record for Foundation

Recent gifts totaling more than \$5 million to the Foundation by retired Supply Corps CAPT Bill Scott and his wife Frances “will take our Foundation to a new level with greater capacity to serve our community,” according to Board Chairman CAPT (Ret.) John Kizer. The Scotts made two donations this year and have pledged a third one for matching donations, Kizer said.

The first donation given by the Scotts was \$500,000 to fund ten four-year scholarships of \$50,000 each, to be awarded to the top high school applicant every year for the next ten years. At their direction, the award is named in honor of members of the Supply Corps. This year’s recipient, Madison Surdyke, daughter of CDR Terry Surdyke, was given her award in honor of RADM (Ret.) Andy Giordano.

The Scott’s second donation, of \$2,500,000, is being given to significantly strengthen and expand the Foundation’s support of its mission. “From increasing the number of scholarships we provide, to developing a better understanding of our history and heritage, to identifying and reaching out to all of our members, to providing greater opportuni-

ties for support and camaraderie, the Foundation has begun a strategic journey to make a difference in the communities we serve as we strive to continue to take care of our own,” said Kizer.

The third part of the Scott’s gift is a challenge grant to the Foundation. They have agreed that every dollar donated to the Foundation through the end of 2012 will be matched at a three to one ratio up to a total of another \$2,500,000. According to Kizer, “this will bring the Scott’s total donation to \$5,500,000 if we step up to meet the challenge.”

To oversee the planned significant growth of the Foundation, an ad hoc committee has been hard at work developing a strategic plan as a roadmap for the next five years. The committee includes Kizer, past Chairman RADM (Ret.) Smoke Hickman, RADM (Ret.) Linda Bird, RADM (Ret.) Don St. Angelo, CAPT (Ret.) Len Sapera, and CDR (Ret.) Jack Evans, Foundation Chief Staff Officer.

The result of that work is “A Blueprint for the Future,” a strategic plan for the growth of the Foundation through 2016. The plan is posted on the web site at www.usnscf.com. 

Sterner establishes scholarship with \$200k donation



CDR (Ret.) Norman Sterner with his daughter Desan S. Jackson, left, and friend Margaret McClung at the presentation in Athens recognizing his gift to the Foundation.

CDR Norman Sterner, SC, USN (Ret.) has always been grateful for the NROTC scholarship that allowed him to receive a college education more than 60 years ago. Recently, however, he was inspired to help others achieve their educational goals by making a contribution of \$200,000 to the Supply Corps Foundation. His gift will establish the CDR Norman Grant Sterner College Scholarship for students of technology, business or science.

A 1949 graduate of Central High School in Akron, Ohio, Sterner learned about the NROTC scholarship program as a senior. Although he passed the test and the physical that year, he was not picked up for enrollment. Determined to succeed, he applied again the following year and this time was accepted into the program at the University of Mississippi.

In his second year at Ole Miss, Sterner heard about the Supply Corps from one of his NROTC instructors, who described supply officers as “strange people. They wear leather belts and non-regulation shoes,” Sterner recalls with a smile. An independent thinker, Sterner says “well, that automatically appealed to me!”

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Greetings from the Chairman Associations will become chapters

At our annual Board of Directors meeting in San Diego on October 15th, we presented a strategic plan to the Board for approval. This plan, "A Blueprint for the Future", is the result of a lot of effort over the past year by an ad hoc committee comprised of retired Rear Admirals Linda Bird, "Smoke" Hickman, and Don St. Angelo along with CAPT Len Sapera, CDR Jack Evans and me. In an effort to ensure that this Blueprint addresses the needs of the members of the Supply Corps, in mid-2011 we distributed a questionnaire to more than 200 retired and active duty flag officers and distinguished alumni, as well as posting it on the Foundation's web site to reach a wider audience. The results of that survey were compiled and those recommendations and comments taken into consideration in the drafting of the 2012-2016 strategic plan. This comprehensive plan reflects what the Foundation wants to accomplish in the next five years. The entire plan is available on the Foundation web site and significant program changes will be published in the March '12 issue of *The Oakleaf*.

There are many new programs proposed in the "Blueprint for the Future"

and we are fortunate that our finances have been, and continue to be, managed in a very prudent manner. Our ability to expand into several new areas has been enhanced greatly by an extremely generous donation from CAPT (Ret.) Bill Scott and his wife Frances. I encourage you to read the article on page one for a complete description of this generous gift, as well as an additional follow-on gift from CDR (Ret.) Norman Sterner.

*Associations will now
be known as
"U.S. Navy Supply
Corps Foundation,
(Area) Chapter"*

I want to thank the 16 area presidents who actively participated in a meeting with the Board on October 14, 2011. There were many great ideas that emerged to enhance your Foundation's ability to serve all of our constituents better. One of the unanimous recommendations from that meeting (and approved by the Board) is a change to how we refer to our area organizations. The term "association" will disappear from our lexicon and now they will be known as "U.S. Navy Supply Corps Foundation, (Area) Chapter".

Thanks to each of you for all that you already do. I encourage you to get involved in any way you are able to assist in making 2012 an exciting first year on our pathway to the future.

CAPT John Kizer, SC, USN (Ret.)

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New strategic plan a blueprint for the Foundation's future

At its meeting in San Diego in October, the Board of Directors of the Foundation approved a strategic plan to take the organization into 2016. "From increasing the number of scholarships we provide, to developing a better understanding of our history and heritage, to identifying and reaching out to all of our members, to providing opportunities for support and camaraderie, the Foundation has begun a strategic journey to make a difference in the communities we serve as we strive to continue to take care of our own," said CAPT (Ret.) John Kizer, Board chair. A copy of the plan is posted to www.usnscf.com.

In other business, the board unanimously elected five new directors (three active duty officers and two former

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Supply Corps officers) - CAPT David Pimpo, CDR Jose Feliz, CDR Tommy Neville, Michael McCleary and Victor Trione. Additionally, RADM (Ret.) Don St. Angelo, CAPT (Ret.) Tom Billings, and CAPT Lee Singleton were re-elected for another term. On behalf of the Board, Kizer thanked outgoing directors RADM (Ret.) Jim Allan and CDR Kristin Aquavella for their service and support.

The Board also elected officers to serve the Foundation for 2012: CAPT (Ret.) John Kizer, Chairman; CAPT (Ret.) Len Saper, Vice Chairman; CDR Chuck Parker, Treasurer; CDR Jose Feliz, Secretary; and CDR (Ret.) Jack Evans, Chief Staff Officer.

In addition, two new Navy Supply Corps Foundation Distinguished Alumni were named. Thomas Holloran, a past

CEO of Dain Rauscher and president of Medtronic, Inc, is an attorney as well as a professor and has held leadership positions in both the public and private sectors. RADM (Ret.) Phillip Whitacre was cited for his work in both community and humanitarian affairs following his Navy career. Holloran and Whitacre will be honored at ceremonies to be held early next year.

The next meeting of the Foundation Board of Directors is scheduled for March 2 in Washington, D.C. 

Did you know?

A full list of the Distinguished

Alumni can be found at

www.usnscf.com. Select

"Programs" then "Distinguished

Alumni Program."

Sterner establishes scholarship with \$200k donation

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Since there was no Supply Corps option at Ole Miss, Sterner was able to persuade his instructors to approve a transfer to the University of Minnesota. There he joined several dozen other cadets in the supply option and graduated in 1954 with a degree in business administration.

Sterner recalls being in one of the earliest classes at the Supply Corps School in Athens. He graduated in September 1954. "The place was brand new, and we wore our long sleeve uniform shirts with no air conditioning in that record setting hot summer. But it was a nice environment and a historic campus."

Sterner's subsequent career would include the Supply Departments on USS *Fulton*, USS *Cone*, and USS *Castor*, with duty stations as far flung as Japan, Taiwan, Spain, and Vietnam. "I was always interested in traveling and seeing distant places. I got more

than my share and I appreciate the opportunity," he adds.

Sterner retired in 1980 and settled in the Atlanta area. Rather than pursuing a second career, he spent the years after retirement responsibly, as an only child, handling internal family matters and tending to the separate affairs of his aged

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of my entire adult life."*

CDR (Ret.) Norm Sterner

father in Florida, and later his mother in Ohio, whom he relocated in 1993 to "across the street from me in Cumming, Ga. It was solely because I had opted for the Navy career so long ago and achieved retirement at a relatively early age, that I was able to concentrate my efforts successfully in those pressing matters when the needs arose."

He has maintained a lifelong respect for the value of education. "I think the greatest threat to the future of quality human life and to the health of the planet is lack of attention to verifiable factual knowledge coupled with widespread deliberate and blind adherence to irrational belief systems," he says, adding that he believes that education and scientific advancement is the single best way to combat that threat.

"Navy ROTC set the course of my entire adult life," he says, adding that he saw the opportunity to advance his goals of education and science through the Foundation scholarship program. Sterner hopes his story will have a similar effect on other members, especially with the three to one match that is currently in effect. "I would encourage others with similar motives to move ahead with those ideas at this special opportunity." 

In the Supply Corps Family

CAPT Bill Scott's gift is chance to give back for generosity of others

CAPT (Ret.) Bill Scott learned firsthand what it means to get some help when you need it. Scott, who along with his wife Frances recently donated and pledged more than five million dollars to the Foundation, calls the gift, a new record for the Foundation, a way of "paying back" for unexpected generosity shown to him as a college student.

Scott grew up on the eastern plains of Colorado, in a town called Brush. His father was a distributor of the Denver Post newspaper and, along with his seven brothers and one sister, Scott had a paper route from the time he was six.

"We have been so fortunate and it makes sense to give back. I hope it will stimulate others to give, too."

CAPT (Ret.) Bill Scott

In 1961 he enrolled in the University of Colorado and although he had a scholarship, he still needed to work three jobs to put himself through school. In 1963, at the end of his sophomore year Scott went home to help his dad out and found himself doing the collections on the paper route.

He recalls stopping at the home of the Oldemheyers in Brush. "Mr. Oldemheyer was a railroad worker and I had delivered the paper to them since I was six. They asked how I was doing in school and I said, 'well, ok, but with three jobs I sort of have my hands full.'"

Mr. Oldemheyer reached into his pocket and handed Scott a check for

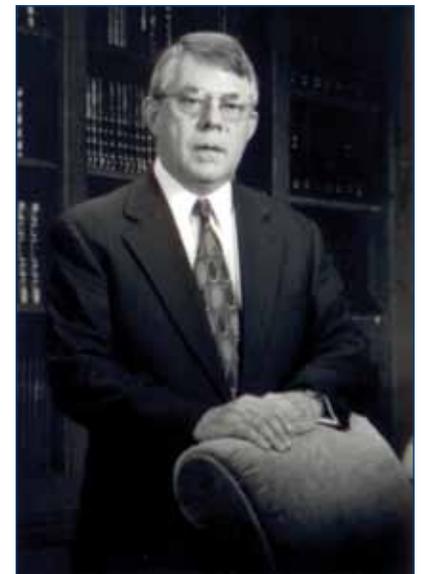
\$2,500, adding that there would be another one the following year. "Wow, but I have no money to pay you back," Scott recalls saying, in astonishment. Scott has never forgotten Mr. Oldemheyer's response. "You're not supposed to pay us back," he said. "Someday when you are in a position to do so, we want you to help someone else."

Scott graduated with a degree in accounting in 1965 and after learning that his eyesight was too bad to be an Air Force pilot, joined the Navy. He started out in the submarine service but after his first tour realized that there was not a great future in diesel submarines and transferred to the Supply Corps, graduating from NSCS in October 1967.

USS *Pargo* (SSN-650), Scott's first duty station as a supply officer, was commanded by then CDR Steven White. Scott would go on to serve six times with White, who ultimately retired as a four star admiral. "This meeting had a significant impact on my Navy career. I wasn't planning to make the Navy a career until I experienced his leadership."

Scott's career included service in Vietnam and earning an MBA from the University of Colorado as well as a tour in Officer Personnel. He served as Executive Assistant three times, to RADM Stephen Sherwood at NSC San Diego, Chief of Supply Corps RADM Andrew Giordano, and Chief of Naval Material ADM Steven White. Scott retired as a captain in 1990.

That year, while working as Chief of Staff to Colorado Congressman Joel Hefley, Scott began to study financial planning in his spare time. "I



CAPT (Ret.) Bill Scott

had access to the Library of Congress and I used it," he recalls. "It is an incredible tool."

When he left that job in 1991 he launched his first business, an estate planning firm, which he sold in 2010. Currently he oversees companies that deal in real estate rentals, oil and gas operations, and agricultural operations.

Scott and his "kindergarten sweetheart," the former Frances Fries, live in Colorado Springs, where she is a librarian at the Air Force Academy. Their son Greg, a rated aviator serving as a lieutenant colonel in the Air Force Reserve, lives with his wife and two sons in Florida.

"In a sense this gift to the Foundation is in memory of the Oldemheyer family," Scott says. "We have been so fortunate and it makes sense to give back. I hope it will stimulate others to give, too."



Awards go to Maxon, Ochoa, and Hawaii Chapter

CAPT (Ret.) Bruce Maxon was named the Navy Supply Corps Foundation Retired Volunteer of the Year at the annual meeting of the Foundation Board in October in San Diego. Maxon has overseen the Foundation's shipboard display program aboard the USS Midway Museum in San Diego since its inception. "He was responsible for coordinating the initial disbursing display on the mess decks and subsequently has been instrumental in follow on displays for the hotel services and officer's lounge spaces," noted the award write-up. It went on to add that "he has comported himself as the Foundation's representative with enthusiasm and professionalism, ensuring that every detail of the displays has been done within budget and on time." Maxon is a member of the San Diego Chapter.

The Foundation's award for Volunteer of the Year went to LCDR Leo

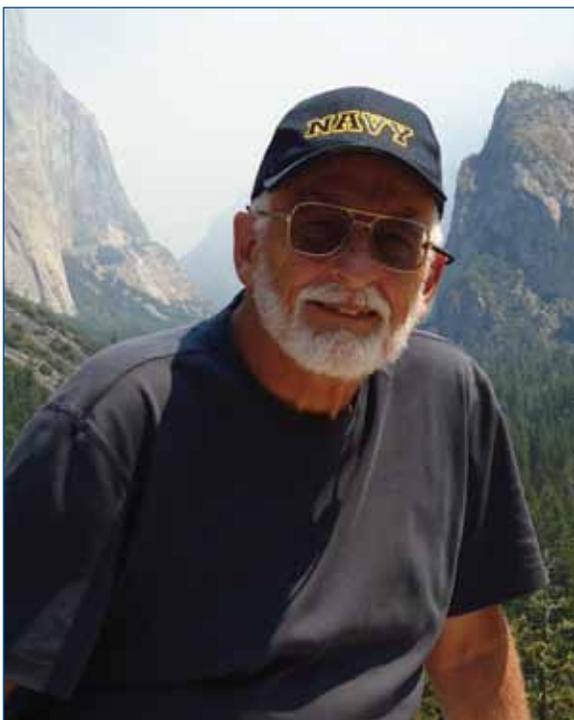
Ochoa, Supply Officer for CDR Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific. A member of the Hawaii Chapter, Ochoa serves as both the Public Affairs Officer and the webmaster for the organization. His work was cited especially for his efforts to get the word out about the return of two Supply Corps officers from assignments (IAs) overseas, resulting in a large contingent of personnel waiting at the airport to give the returning warriors a true "aloha welcome." The write up described him as epitomizing "everything we look for in a hard charging supply officer...we are a better organization because of his efforts."

The Chapter of the Year award went to the Hawaii Chapter.

They were especially recognized for their efforts to engage with other logisticians from all services in Oahu, in an effort to learn from their best practices and to share their own. The effort "created a shared understanding of logistics similarities and differences between the services and increased esprit de corps among "loggies" on island," the write up noted. "It has been a fun and dynamic year," CAPT John Polowczyk, Chapter President noted, "and everyone who comes through makes positive mention of the cross-service flavor of everything we do."



LCDR Leo Ochoa of the Hawaii Chapter was named Foundation Volunteer of the Year.



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**Look for the
2012-2013
scholarship
application
on the web,
www.usnscf.com,
after Jan. 10, 2012**

In Memoriam

The Oakleaf is aware of the following members of the Supply Corps community who passed away over the past few months. Names are also listed on www.usnscf.com along with available obituaries. Please let us know of those who have passed away for this column by forwarding information to TheOakleaf@comcast.net. Sometimes the information received by *The Oakleaf* is incomplete. If you have dates of passing for any of the community members at the bottom of the list below, please pass them on to TheOakleaf@comcast.net.

CAPT **Robert J. Girman**, SC, USN (Ret.)
October 2, 2011

RDML **Kurt Kunkel**, SC, USN
September 28, 2011

CDR **James Weidemann**, SC, USN (Ret.)
September 6, 2011

CAPT **Joseph L. Healey**, SC, USN (Ret.)
September 5, 2011

CAPT **Philip W. Evans**, SC, USN (Ret.)
August 7, 2011

CAPT **Edwin Wallace**, SC, USN (Ret.)
August 11, 2011

CAPT **William G. Crocker**, SC, USN (Ret.)
June 28, 2011

CAPT **Joseph H. Cheshure**, SC, USN (Ret.)
June 21, 2011

CAPT **Lonsdale C. Mitchell**, SC, USN (Ret.)
June 20, 2011

CAPT **James C. Daniel**, SC, USN (Ret.)
June 16, 2011

CDR **Joseph A. Fernald**, SC, USN (Ret.)
June 14, 2011

LCDR **Roy G. McWhorter**, SC, USN (Ret.)
June 13, 2011

CDR **John S. Vishneski Jr.**, SC USN (Ret.)
May 15, 2011

LT **Joseph K. Register**, SC, USN (Ret.)
March 28, 2011

LT **Howard G. Crawford Jr.**, SC, USN (Ret.)
March 16, 2011

LCDR **Louis A. Janezic**, SC, USN (Ret.)
March 12, 2011

CAPT **Richard C. Kerwath**, SC, USN (Ret.)
April 29, 2011

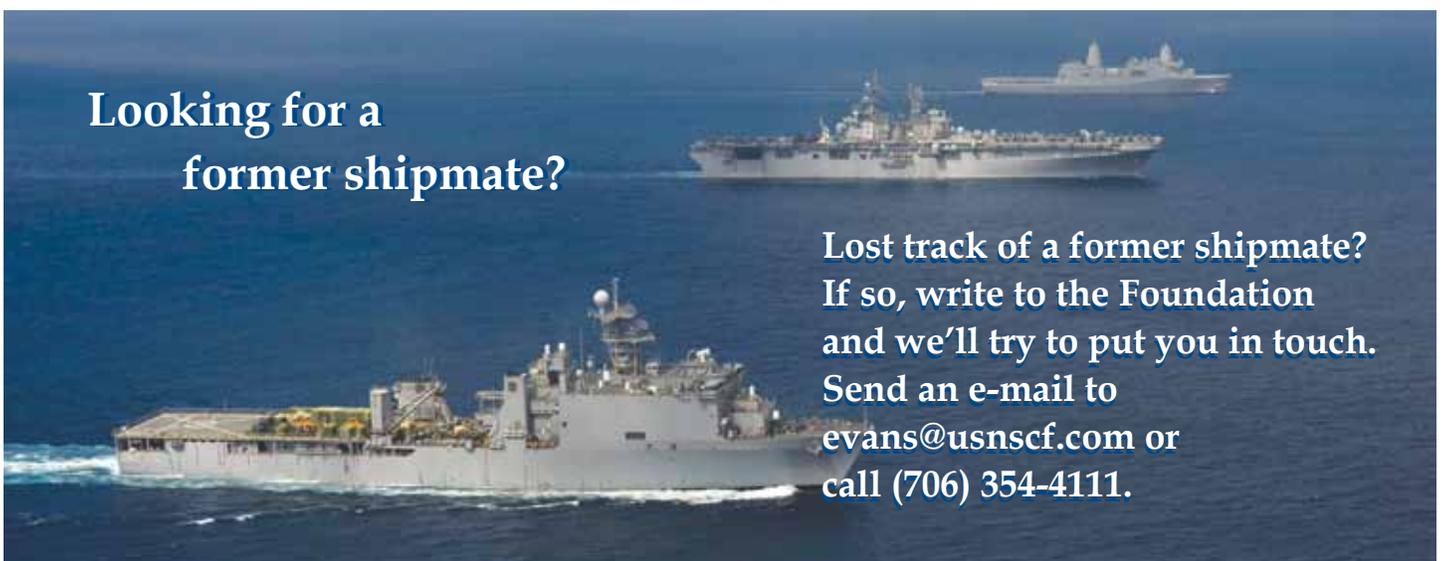
LCDR **Naylor Cragin**, SC, USN (Ret.)
September 25, 2010

CDR **Glen R. Danner**, SC, USN (Ret.)

LT **Kenneth J. Carron**, SC, USN (Ret.)

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former shipmate?

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Hickman receives Supply Corps Lifetime Achievement Award

When RADM Mike Lyden, former Chief of Supply Corps, announced that RADM (Ret.) Don "Smoke" Hickman, past Chairman of the Board of the Foundation, had been selected to receive the 2011 Supply Corps Lifetime Achievement Award, he stated that Hickman had "literally changed lives through the Supply Corps Foundation." The award recognizes "contributions that have a lasting impact on a wide-cross section of the Supply Corps for a sustained period of time."

Hickman served on active duty for 37 years and retired in 1999 as Chief of Supply Corps. It was at that point that he decided to get involved in the Foundation. "RADM Crates, then the Chair, was getting ready to step down so I saw it as an opportunity to give back to

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RADM (Ret.) Smoke Hickman

the Supply Corps that had given me so much." Those who had gone before had done an awfully good job, Hickman felt, but he thought perhaps it was time to bring the Foundation to a higher level.

More than a decade later, looking back over his tenure as Chair, Hickman counts a number of significant

milestones. First, the development of a formal organizational structure, including a smaller Board of Directors and operations procedures, was of major importance. Hickman calls the streamlined Board of working volunteers a significant step.

Getting the Foundation aligned with its regional chapters was another key, he adds. "The chapters are our face to our members," he says. A single Oakleaf logo and web site for the chapters helped to cement that relationship. In addition an annual meeting of chapter presidents in conjunction with the Board meeting has helped foster best practices in all areas, including communication. "When I became Chief it took us a week to figure out who all the chapter presidents were!" he says.

The scholarship program, the bedrock of the Foundation, has continued to thrive, having awarded \$3.9 million to date. Hickman is particularly proud of the implementation of the Memorial Scholarship Program, which awards scholarships to all dependent children of any Supply Corps officer who dies on active duty.

Membership identification was and continues to be an important goal. While anyone who has ever worn the Oakleaf is automatically a member, tracking down those who served for a short time and then went on to other careers is a significant challenge, he notes.



RADM (Ret.) Donald "Smoke" Hickman

The revival of *The Oakleaf*, the thrice-yearly newsletter of the Foundation, was a "big blessing," he says. "It is the best way for us to get the word out."

The closure of the Supply Corps Museum in Athens may have been a "blessing in disguise," says Hickman. "Not many people came to Athens to see the museum there. By putting those artifacts on memorial ships, like we did with Midway in San Diego, we moved in a direction that helps our recruiting as well as our legacy into the future."

Hickman continues to stay active in Foundation activities. There is much work ahead, he says, noting that the Board recently approved a long-range plan for the next five years. "We want to stick to our core programs, like heritage and scholarships," he says, "but I think we can do more in terms of education, an expanded scholarship program, and membership growth."

Hickman encourages others to get involved. "Our biggest need is for volunteers," he stresses. "We don't have a corner on good ideas. Would you like to see the Foundation do something new? People have talked about travel offerings and opportunities for camaraderie. It just takes volunteers to work on it. Do you have a good idea? Join us and get involved!"

To volunteer or contribute to the Foundation, contact Chief Staff Officer CDR (Ret.) Jack Evans at evans@usnscf.com.

At the Board & Presidents meetings



*CAPT Willie Robohn,
Washington, D.C. Chapter
President and CDR
Chuck Parker, Foundation
Treasurer*



Chapter Profile

Colorado Rockies Chapter offers activities for members and families

Since last July, when their bylaws were approved, the Colorado Rockies Chapter (CRC) has hit the ground running. One of the smallest chapters in the Foundation, CRC has six active duty and four reserve members and covers more than 400 miles, from Cheyenne, Wyoming, to Albuquerque, New Mexico. The active duty members come from NORTHCOM Headquarters and the reservists primarily from units stationed in Ft. Carson and those attached to NORTHCOM Headquarters.

During the last two years, these supply officers have deployed to USSOUTHCOM and Haiti to coordinate logistics efforts, augmented various staffs in preparation and response to hurricanes, and led the way in maritime planning for the homeland. There may only be a few supply officers there, yet they are repeatedly called upon to resolve difficult and demanding problems due to their diverse skill set and "can do" approach.

According to LCDR Mike McCormack, CRC Vice President, the idea to start a chapter in Colorado came from LCDR Bill Barich who transferred last year from Hawaii, where he was involved in the Supply Corps chapter there. "He approached us about setting up a chapter here in Colorado Springs and we were all for it," McCormack recalls.

CRC has an active leadership, including Barich, who is President, McCormack as Vice President, LCDR Jeff Young as Secretary and LCDR Mark Bowmer as Treasurer.

Each member has taken a turn planning an event, from last year's 400 person Navy Ball, held on the weekend of the Air Force/Navy football game, to luncheons with senior leadership visiting NORTHCOM.

In addition to working together, the active duty members live nearby, either on Peterson Air Force Base in Colorado Springs where NORTHCOM is located, or a short drive away. "We all have kids so we have family events," said LCDR Barich. Last spring CRC had a Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt. The members stuffed plastic Easter Eggs with treats before the holiday and then the following week the families got together in the evening and watched their kids find and retrieve their treasures by flashlight.

Every month in the summer they sponsor a trip to a Sky Sox baseball game. The Sky Sox are a triple A baseball team for the Denver based Colorado Rockies. LCDR Young takes the lead in planning these outings for CRC. "We take the credit for his work," says Barich with a smile.

Although they are small in number, CRC is a close-knit chapter. They keep in touch in person and by e-mail. Having a chapter helps incoming folks have a good sense of the



Colorado Rockies Chapter officers pictured with CAPT Wolf, center, from left, are LCDR McCormack, LCDR Bowmer, LCDR Young, and LCDR Barich.

area along with providing opportunities for camaraderie and professional growth, Barich says. "We know we are outside the Navy structure here," he says, "but we have a very positive attitude and NORTHCOM knows the Supply Corps will get things done."

CRC welcomes new members, especially retirees and former Supply Corps officers in the area. For more information, contact LCDR Barich at william.barich@northcom.mil, LCDR McCormack at michael.mccormack@northcom.mil, LCDR Young at jeffery.young@northcom.mil, or LCDR Bowmer at mark.bowmer@northcom.mil.



Reminder:

*The Foundation has moved to
Scott Hall in Athens.*

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*(Mail sent to the old Prince St. address gets rerouted
to the Supply Corps School in Newport, R.I.)*

Become a part of our Supply Corps history project

By *RADM (Ret.) Smoke Hickman*

As part of the Foundation's heritage and history efforts, we will document the evolution of the Navy Supply System. In reality, the history of the system is the history of the officers who shaped the policies and procedures of the system.

We want to document the role and responsibilities of Supply Corps officers through our history. Many of our members have information and memories of significant events and we are asking you to document these. For example, what was it like to be a Supply Corps officer in the 1930's, 40's? What was it like to be the Supply Officer of a DDR in the 50's; what was it like to serve on any of the different ship types in the 50's, 60's, 70's, and 80's? What was the role of

BuSandA and its relationship to the Supply Centers? What was the role of the ICPs? What assistance did you have from the shore activities?



We ask that all of our members consider writing one or more of these stories. They may be submitted electronically to the Foundation at

evans@usnscf.com. Please limit each individual write-up to 1,000 words or less. Photos are welcome too, if you identify all those pictured. These materials will later be reviewed by a group of grey beard members and will serve as the historical documentation for those times. No situation is considered irrelevant. PLEASE HELP. This is your opportunity to make a significant contribution to our history project.

As a separate effort the Foundation is working the early planning stages of a traveling memorial display of the Supply Corps involvement in Vietnam. If you have an interest in volunteering to assist in this effort or have information that you can share about Vietnam, please contact the Foundation at evans@usnscf.com. 

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If you've signed up on the web site you'll receive an e-mail every time a new *Oakleaf* is posted.

Sign up by going to www.usnscf.com and click on "New User" in the Member Login box on the lower left side of the screen. Be sure to select your local chapter or Foundation in the "Contact Information" box on the New Member Signup page.

New Board members welcomed



CAPT (Ret.) Kizer welcomes new Board members, from left, CAPT David Pimpo, RADM Mark Heinrich, Chief of Supply Corps; and Distinguished Alumnus CAPT (Ret.) Albert "Bud" Schiff.

New chapter get-togethers to be funded by Foundation

By CAPT Tom Billings, SC, USN (Ret.)

Does your Chapter want to try a new way to get members and friends together? Maybe you'd like to host a picnic or other get together for all families, members and friends in your area? Have you been reluctant to go down that road due to financial limitations? The Foundation recently announced a program to provide funding for just that kind of effort to build community and camaraderie among our members.

Called the Community Values and Traditions program, it will support new, different activities by local chapters to build stronger relationships between all elements of the Supply

Corps community, including active, reserve, retired, and former officers as well as families and friends.

Community Values and Traditions Program, supports new, different activities by local chapters

To apply for a contribution from the CVT Program for an upcoming event, the chapter president should send an e-mail to evans@usnscf including:

- a description of the function,
- where it will be held,

- the number of participants expected by category, i.e., members, spouses, significant others, children and friends
- the expected cost,
- the portion of the cost requested from the Foundation.

The Foundation looks forward with pleasure to providing this annual monetary support to enhance local esprit de corps and chapter enrichment events throughout the Supply Corps community.

Remember to send me any questions, comments, requests for help, advice, etc. Call or e-mail me at (760)798-2669 or tomsfree@cox.net.



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Scholarship profile

Sister and brother earn Supply Corps Foundation scholarships

The two children of (Ret.) Chief Storekeeper Cheryl Copp have reasons to be thankful for the Navy Supply Corps Foundation scholarship program. Senior Amber and freshman Jeffrey Copp have both received assistance to help pay for college this year from the Foundation.

Amber Copp is the recipient of a Navy Supply Corps Foundation scholarship. A senior at Eastern Michigan University, Amber is majoring in nurs-



Amber Copp

ing. Math and science were always her best subjects in high school, she says, and nursing came naturally to her. Amber says growing up while her mother was in the Navy, she lived in

more than half dozen places. "I actually liked it most of the time," she says. "The worst was when we had to move in the middle of the year."

A member of the EMU Student Nurses Chapter, where she participated in organ donor awareness programs and CPR classes, Amber is looking ahead to a career in trauma nursing. "I graduate a year from December and I'm hoping to become a Navy nurse," she says. "The scholarships have helped a lot so that I didn't need to get loans. I want to thank the members of the Foundation for their generosity. They should know they are helping someone for their future."

Jeff Copp was awarded the Great Lakes Area Navy Supply Corps Foundation Scholarship this spring. A recent graduate of Oscar A. Carlson High School in Gibraltar, Mich, Jeff has just started his freshman year at EMU. He has long been interested in current technology - "video games and computers," he says. A project working on his high school yearbook exposed him to the world of desktop publishing. Since then, computers and what they can do have been his main interest. "Right now my focus is on engineering and programming," he says, adding

that he expects to decide more about his future direction while in college.



Jeff Copp

Having his sister ahead of him at school has been helpful. Amber gave him his first tour of the campus and also steered him towards the Navy Supply Corps Foundation scholarship program. He applied this year and was awarded his scholarship in April. "I've used it towards room and board and it's been great. Without it I'd have to take a bigger loan," Jeff adds. He also has advice for other potential scholarship recipients. "Don't procrastinate! Get the application done as soon as possible and it will help you in the long run."



Ship's Store:

Holiday Shopping season is here!

Ready for Sea polo shirts make a great gift. Check out the shirts and other items available in the Ship's Store. A few NSCS Athens ornaments are still in stock. Please check the Ship's Store on line for prices and availability.

Visit the Foundation's Ship's Store at www.usnscf.com



Board of Directors

will meet

March 2, 2012 in

Washington, D.C.

OP Roadshow sign-up calendar brings new function to web site

By Linda Hall, Foundation Web Site Coordinator

Recent updates to the Navy Supply Corps Foundation and chapter web sites at usnscf.com include a calendar for signing up for OP Roadshow appointments. Supply Corps officers with an active membership account on the web site will be able to access the Roadshow calendar once chapter web administrators have created an event for their Chapter. Calendars are exportable to Excel for sharing with OP personnel in Tennessee.

Another update involves the ability for members to add a second e-mail to their profile. When the web site was established, the member's e-mail address was designated as the username and could not be changed. This meant if a member's e-mail address changed they had to create a new account to receive e-mails from the Foundation or chapter. Members are now able to enter a second e-mail address, change both their primary and secondary e-mail addresses at any time, and have usernames that are unique from their e-mail address(es). Current members can change their username if they so choose.

Any time a username, primary or secondary e-mail address is entered into the system it will be validated to ensure the username or e-mail entered is unique in the system. If a user enters an e-mail address or username that is not unique, the page will not allow the user to save the changes and will display a pop-up box with a message to

contact webadmin@usnscf.com for assistance.

The third change eliminates events from showing up in the Photo drop down box until photos are loaded. Prior to recent updates, all events created on the web appeared in the photo drop-down box on the Photo page for the Foundation and chapters. This meant many events were appearing in the drop-down box when there were no photos available. Now administrators will be able to select events that will appear in the drop-down box, limiting the number of events that will appear.

The final change provides for a separate user status for scholarship applicants. In the past, users who created accounts on the site for the purpose of submitting a scholarship application were indistinguishable from actual NSCF members. Now users who apply for a scholarship account by selecting the appropriate checkbox on the "New User" page will automatically be assigned as "Scholarship Applicant." Scholarship applicants will not be added to mailing lists and e-mail lists, and they will not have access to the SCF Forum. They will have the ability to edit their own user profile and to create and submit scholarship applications.

The Foundation's Board of Directors and Communications Committee continually review the Foundation's web site and look for improvements to better meet members needs. Your input is encouraged. Send ideas to webadmin@usnscf.com. 

OP Roadshow calendars provide online sign up for counseling appointments Supply Corps officers.

Did you know?

The foundation web site has a space on line for members to post houses for sale or rent at www.usnscf.com. Just sign in and select "SCF Forum" in the left column, then click on the "Public Forum." You'll also find job opportunities on the Forum under "Transitions."

NSCS Newport graduates 88 from the Basic Qualification Course

By LT Carlos Diaz, Navy Supply Corps School Public Affairs Officer

Eighty-eight students from the Navy Supply Corps School Second Battalion, "Ready for Sea" in Newport, R.I., graduated at the end of August. Sixty-eight of the students were headed to active duty; twenty were members of the Navy Reserves.

ENS Ian De Soto, who was the Honor graduate of the BQC, said "graduating at the top of the class was no easy task. The friendly competition kept me motivated. The Supply Corps is going to be getting a great group of intelligent, competent, and motivated junior supply officers ready to jump into our new role." ENS De Soto is reporting to the USS *Scranton* (SSN 756).

The students of 2nd Battalion's "Bravo" Company honored their Food Service instructor, LT Andrew Lundgren, as Instructor of the Battalion and "Charlie" Company honored their Food Service Instructor, LT Dan O'Brien, as Instructor of their battalion, praising their dedication to students and ability to relate their fleet experience.

The Instructor of the Battalion/Company is chosen by the students of the graduating class and represents the instructor they feel contributed most to their professional and educational experience at NSCS. LT O'Brien said "I am extremely honored to have been chosen as the instructor of the Battalion. This was the first class I taught at NSCS and I think I learned as much from them as they did from me. I had a great time teaching them and wish them the best luck in the fleet."



Pictured at the NSCS graduation are award recipients and officials, from left, RADM Raymond English, guest speaker; ENS Ian De Soto, 2nd Battalion Honor Graduate, Navy Exchange Service Command Ship's Store Award; ENS David Machinporrata, Navy Food Service Excellence Award; LTJG David Weinstein, MOAA Professionalism Award; LTJG James Dickerson, 74th Company Honor Graduate; ENS Brendan Conway, Navy Supply Management Excellence Award; ENS Broward Maryan, Defense Finance and Accounting Service Excellence Award; LCDR Michael Nelson, 74th Company Leadership Award; LTJG Paul Cabe, Navy Supply Corps Foundation Leadership Award; and CDR Heron, Executive Officer; and CAPT James Davis, Commanding Officer of NSCS Newport.

Chapter Presidents and representatives meet in San Diego



CDR Bill Clarke, left, Philadelphia Chapter President and CAPT Al Stanczak, Cleveland Chapter President



Retired captains Kurt Libby, left, Bay Area Chapter President and Bill McCarthy, representative from USS Constitution

We've got mail!

To the Foundation:

"I just received the July issue of The Oakleaf. Great to see the scholarships are continuing so successfully.

I was wondering if anyone has suggested just putting The Oakleaf online at the Foundation web site. Seems it would save a great deal of money which could be used for other things. And the web site could be programmed to send a reminder to everyone's e-mail when the newest issue of Oakleaf is published.

*CDR Jack Bates, SC, USN, Logistics Officer,
Middle East Regional Support Activity"*

Editor's response

CDR Bates is right on. Although *The Oakleaf* has been on the web site www.usnscf.com for the past five years, we still mail a paper copy to many of our members. We are aware that a good number of our members still prefer that and we do want them to stay in the loop. The next big step in this direction, however, will be the ability to opt out of the paper copy of *The Oakleaf* when signing up on the web site. Right now we do notify all those who are signed up by e-mail when *The Oakleaf* is published. Getting that to be programmed in advance would be another good step!!

To the Foundation:

We were notified recently that the Supply Corps Foundation [Year of Navy Supply] exhibit display at the Navy Memorial was selected for an American Graphic Design Award from Graphic Design USA. The competition attracted more than 8,000 entries in more than 20 categories.

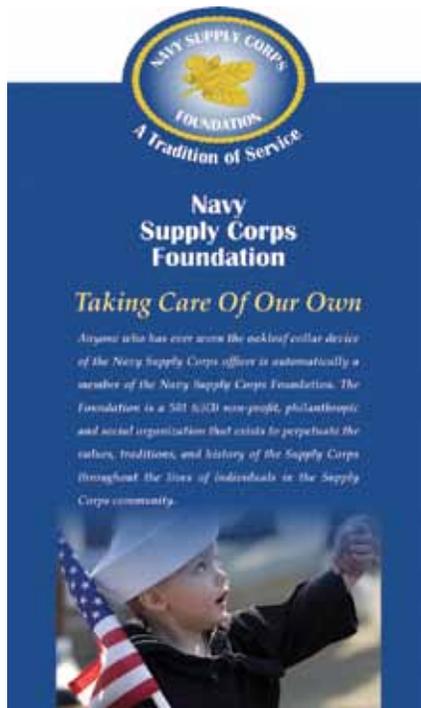
Obviously, we were very pleased with this result and wanted to share it with you and thank you for allowing us to enter the work.

*Sincerely,
Jeff Kendrick
Lead Graphic Designer
Alion Science and
Technology*

Editor's Response:

Posters designed for the Year of Navy Supply are available for downloading at www.usnscf.com. Select "About Us" then "Association Information."

We appreciate your comments and suggestions. Send them to TheOakleaf@comcast.net.



Board members meet in San Diego



Preparing to start the Fall meeting of the Foundation Board of Directors are CAPT (Ret.) John Kizer, Board Chair; CAPT (Ret.) Len Saperia, Board Vice Chair; RADM (Ret.) Donald St Angelo; and RADM (Ret.) Tom Hill.

MEMBER NEWS

RADM **Patricia Wolfe** will be assigned as Director, Joint Reserve Forces (J-9), Defense Logistics Agency, Fort Belvoir, Va., after serving as CDR, Navy Expeditionary Logistics Support Group.

RDML **Vince Griffith** has been assigned as Deputy Chief of Staff for Fleet Readiness/Fleet Ordnance and Supply (N41), Fleet Supply Officer, U.S. Fleet Forces Command after a tour as CDR, Defense Logistics Agency, Aviation, Richmond, Va.

RDML **Jonathan Yuen** has been selected to be the next Director, CENTCOM Deployment and Distribution Operations Center in Kuwait. He will deploy early in 2012. Currently, he is assigned as CDR, NAVSUP Global Logistics Support.

RDML **Glenn Robillard** will be assigned as Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Fleet Supply and Ordnance, N4, U.S. Pacific Fleet, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, after serving as Commander, Navy Exchange Service Command, Norfolk, Va.

CAPT **Robert T. Gregory**, SC, USN (Ret.) has been appointed to the Board of Trustees, Davis and Elkins College, Elkins, W.V.

Annual fund drive underway: your gift will be matched 3 to 1!

By CAPT (Ret.) John Kizer

Chair, Navy Supply Corps Foundation Board of Directors

There has never been a better time for us to make our contributions to the Foundation count. Under the matching program now in place, through the generosity of CAPT (Ret.) Bill Scott and his wife Frances, your gift to the Foundation will be matched at a rate of 3 to 1.

In addition, your Board of Directors has recently approved a roadmap for the Foundation's growth in the next five years. The effort of our strategic planning committee, working with input from members across the board, has resulted in a "Blueprint for the Future" to take us through 2016.

One example of the way we take care of our own is our Memorial Scholarship program, providing a four-year, \$2,500 per year scholarship to the minor children of Supply Corps officers who die while on active duty. Six children of our fallen shipmates are in college now, and sadly we add-

ed three more children to the program this past year. With your continued support, we will be there for the additional 30 children of our fallen members when their time comes for higher education.

There are many ways you can contribute, through named scholarships, memorial funds, planned giving and more. You can also make a donation on line and even set up a recurring donation to occur monthly, or at other periodic intervals, at www.usnscf.com. You can see a copy of our "Blueprint for the Future" there as well.

Right now we have a unique opportunity to safeguard our ability to take care of our own, now and into the future. Thank you for your ongoing support and I hope you will join me in making a contribution today. The coupon below is provided for your use.



Contribute to the Navy Supply Corps Foundation

If you would like to volunteer to help with Supply Corps Foundation programs or make a donation, please go on line at www.usnscf.com or complete this coupon and return it to us at the address below.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone where you prefer to be called: _____

Best time to call: _____ E-mail address: _____

I would like to volunteer.

My interest is in _____ Communications; _____ History/Heritage; _____ Scholarships;
_____ Mentoring; _____ Other _____

I would like to contribute. My check for _____ is enclosed.

Return to: Navy Supply Corps Foundation, PO Box 6228, Athens, GA 30604

The CFC campaign is a great time to remember the Foundation. CFC number is 10281.

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Foundation Board, Presidents meet in San Diego



Attending the Board and Presidents meetings in San Diego were, from left, CAPT (Ret.) John Kizer, Board Chairman; CDR Jose Sanchez, Japan President; CDR (Ret.) Jack Evans, Chief Staff Officer; CAPT David Pimpo, new Board member; CAPT Ted Digges, Hampton Roads Pres.; CAPT (Ret.) Len Sapera, Board Vice Chair; CAPT John Polowczyk, Hawaii Pres.; CDR Spencer Moseley, Board; CDR Mike Jefferson, representing Pax River; CAPT Willie Robohn, Washington DC Area Pres.; CDR Katie Boyce, Great Lakes Pres.; CAPT (Ret.) Kurt Libby, Bay Area Pres.; RADM (Ret.) Tom Hill, Board member; CAPT (Ret.) Tom Billings, Board; CAPT (Ret.) Bud Schiff, Board; CDR Bill Clarke, Philadelphia Pres.; CAPT Allan Stanczak, Greater Cleveland Pres.; CAPT (Ret.) Bill McCarthy, representing USS Constitution; CAPT Pete Stamatopoulos, San Diego Pres.; LCDR Dennis Collins, Board; CDR Bobby Barakat, Communications Committee; LCDR Chris Cousino, Monterey Peninsula Pres.; LCDR Jon Thurston, Italy Pres.; CAPT Dan Pionk, Board; and CAPT (Ret.) Pete Eltringham. Also in attendance were CDR Charles Parker, Board treasurer; RADM (Ret.) Don St. Angelo, Board; RADM Mark Heinrich, Chief of Supply Corps and Board member; Mrs. Judy Heinrich, Ad Hoc Board member; and Liz Van Wye, Communications Committee.