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ALL HANDS INVITED! Port of Baltimore Reception for T.S. State of Maine

Please join Maine Maritime Academy for the Alumni & Friends Reception in Baltimore, Maryland on Monday, June 22nd, 2009 at 1830 hosted aboard the N.S. Savannah at the Pier 13, Canton Marine Terminal, 4601 Newgate Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21224

The NS Savannah is the United States only nuclear merchant ship. We are excited to have the opportunity to celebrate aboard this vessel.

The reception is a casual affair, with a Cash Bar and hors d'ouerves passed. There is no formal presentation. Casual Business attire would be appropriate.

This reception will provide an opportunity to meet the Officers, Midshipmen and crew aboard the Maine Maritime Academy Training Ship *STATE OF MAINE* also berthed at Pier 13. <http://tssom.mma.edu/>

Space is limited and RSVP's required. Please do so to the Alumni Office by June 19th, 2009 alyssa.lacroix@mma.edu or 207-326-2337 Maine Maritime Academy - Alumni Affairs, Castine, ME 04420

PROPER PHOTO ID IS REQUIRED FOR PORT SECURITY

USMMA COMMENCEMENT CLASS of 2009

Commencement Exercises for 193 members Class of 2009 will be held on June 22nd. Secretary of Transportation Ray H. LaHood, will be the speaker. Weather permitting, the graduation ceremonies will be held on Tomb Field and are open to everyone. In case of inclement weather, it will move indoors to O'Hara Hall where reservations will be required.

Currently 62 (32.6%) members of the class are planning to enter active duty following graduation.

Please find as an attachment the order of march for the graduates. We offer special congratulations to Dave Gilmartin (and wife Jeanne) (President – E. Tennessee Volunteer Alumni Chapter) on the graduation of their son David.

Two additional Alumni Chapter Presidents have sons at Kings Point!
 Scott '83 and Glenda '85 O'Connor (Midshipman Kyle O'Connor '10) - Port of Jacksonville Chapter and John Daly '82 and Connie (Midshipman Connor Daly '12) - Los Angeles / Long Beach Chapter

DISCOVERY CHANNEL BROADCAST SPECIAL FEATURING M/V MAERSK ALABAMA Somali Pirate Takedown The Real Story

Find out the very real story behind the heroic Navy SEAL kill shots that finally freed Captain Richard Phillips after a dramatic 4-day Somali pirate siege.

This 60 minute show will be aired on SUN Jun 21, 10:00PM and MON Jun 22, 1:00AM and FRI Jun 26, 7:00PM

VOLUNTARY LEAVE TRANSFER PROGRAM – Appeal for Captain Bill Abernathy '73

Acta non Verba! Please pass this onto other Federal Government Mariners in your respective organizations/Alumni circles who may be able to help our alum & shipmate. Keep Bill & his family in your thoughts and prayers... Captain Paul Eulitt '75

Captain Bill Abernathy '73 (Member of KP Club of Washington, D.C.) suffered a stroke in March 2009. While this tragic event certainly struck close to home affecting one of our long standing colleagues (USCG, Washington HQ), we're fortunate in that it was caught early enough that Bill is expected to make a full recovery and return to work. Of course, despite the anticipation of a full recovery, Bill has received a significant amount of medical treatment and is currently progressing through an extensive program of rehabilitative therapy. As a result, he's been on leave

since the stroke and it will be for some time before he can return to work full time.

As you can imagine this means he will exhaust all his annual and sick leave prior to making a full recovery. To support him, we're seeking donations of annual leave under the Voluntary Leave Transfer Program. Donations made under this program will help prevent Bill and his family from enduring further financial hardship due to leave without pay while also enduring the consequences of his stroke.

Anyone wishing to donate annual leave should refer to the attached memorandum. It provides all the information necessary to donate annual leave to Bill in this time of need.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration of this request. And, please, do not hesitate to contact me with questions or concerns.

Sincerely, B. J. Hawkins, CDR USCG, Chief, Human Element & Ship Design Division (CG-5211) Office of Design and Engineering Standards (202) 372-1355

CONGRATULATIONS SUE PETERSEN LUBOW

For All: The link below will take you to the official announcement on Sue Petersen Lubow's selection as the Division III, Northeast Region Athletic Director of the Year. Congratulations to Sue. It is a well deserved honor for her and recognition of the exceptional athletic program she leads at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy. Well done! (signed) Allen B. Worley, Rear Admiral, U.S. Maritime Service, Superintendent, U.S. Merchant Marine Academy

<http://www.nacda.com/sports/convention/spec-rel/061609aai.html>

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