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Credits wife, division with support

Electronics technician named NPS Sailor of the Year for 1990

by JO1 Ray Fredette Jr.

For Sailor of the Year at NPS, the selection board chose a first class petty officer who regularly does an outstanding job of representing his division, his shipmates and his community.

Electronics Technician First Class Kelly F. Richards, the 29-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Richards of Umatilla, Ore., was recognized as Sailor of the Year during morning quarters ceremonies last week.

"It is an honor. It definitely is an honor for anybody to get it," said Richards, an 8-year Navy veteran, "especially when there is an abundance of 4.0 sailors here at the Naval Postgraduate School."

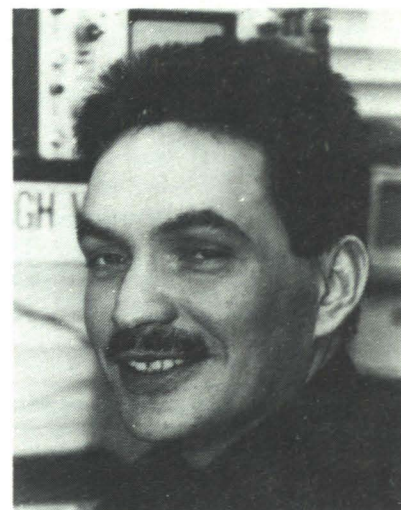
Richards represents Academic Division when the Captain's Cup trophy is awarded - again and again - to Academic Division,

seemingly the perpetual winner of each athletic competition among the divisions.

"I didn't do this by myself," said Richards, who lettered in football, track, basketball and baseball in high school. "It was a divisional effort but I've got to thank my wife Shelley for this first. She really encourages me to get involved. She just finished cosmetology school, so it's been a busy year for us. In spite of her schedule she's always made time for me to keep my career going.

"The atmosphere in Academic Division would bring a dead horse to life sometimes," said Richards, a graduate of 10 Navy electronics schools. "Anybody who comes to the division starts improving themselves, working on college courses. They almost demand that you get involved."

Richards, a trustee of Fort Ord's Non-



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Commissioned Officer Association, has been interested in electronics since age 15. He made a fly catcher out of a metal strainer once and tried to hook it up to the main circuit breaker of his house. "I tripped the circuit," said Richards. "After I saw the explosion, I said, 'Damn, there's something I've got to learn here.'"

International Office relocates to Bldg. 221

The goal of the International Office is to increase the awareness and focus of international students and help them become partners in the NPS community.

As a service organization, this move gives the International Office a more central location on campus and allows the office to be more responsive to the needs of the more than 220 international officers and their families from 28 countries.

The new location also gives the office more room to accommodate its staff and facilitates their ability to liaison with other local support activities.

"We are excited to be here," said Col. Gary Roser, International Office director. International office number is ext. 2186.



U.S. Marine Col. Gary Roser (l), International Office director, helps Rear Adm. Ralph W. West Jr., NPS superintendent, cut the ribbon at the Jan. 24 ceremony marking the relocation of the International Office from Ingersoll Hall to the west wing of Herrmann Hall. Photo by JO1 Ray Fredette Jr.

Class of '91 begins search for NPS gift idea, funding

The Officer Students' Advisory Committee is looking for a few good ideas for the 1991 class gift project.

Several members of OSAC have volunteered to head a drive to select and develop an idea that will produce a lasting gift to the NPS campus from this year's graduating classes.

The first step is finding the right idea. Class gift programs are a tradition at U.S. service academies and many college and university campuses throughout the country. The Class of 1989 was the first graduate-level group at NPS to give this campus a gift while here. This year's project will follow the same successful plan.

Capt. Rosemary Stewart, Capt. Marvin Fuller, Lt. Dave Gordon and Lt. Mark Genung are the committee for this year's project. The first and hardest stage of the project is to select a good idea for a class gift. By the end of February, the Class Gift Committee hopes to have made its choice and started the second stage - funding.

With a bit of work, the goal of having the gift or a portion of it established in time for the March graduation will be met.

Help the committee by volunteering your time. Contact your OSAC representative and/or jot down your ideas on the forms outside the curricular offices and in the next issue of *the Classmate*.

The K.C. Hallmark and Wright Stuff stores in the Del Monte Shopping Center are making Valentine's Day cards available free to anyone desiring to send a message to any servicemember in Saudi Arabia. These cards will be mailed for the sender free of charge while supplies last. Call the Hallmark store at 375-7111 for details.

Recycle profits needed locally

Two large trash cans in front of the La Mesa Village store are designated as receptacles for aluminum soda and beer cans.

This service is for those personnel currently using the green recycling bins on trash day in La Mesa Village.

Use of the Monterey city disposal bins does not bring NPS any money. Profits from recyclables placed in those bins go to the disposal company. All funds collected from recyclables in the two trash cans will go to the following organizations:

- Officer Student Advisory Committee - class gift
- Morale, Welfare and Recreation
- Officer Students' Wives Club
- International Student Fund
- NPS Foundation

The trash cans in front of La Mesa Village Store are an expansion of the recycling program administered by Cmdr. and Mrs. Terry Tierney in La Mesa Village and on campus. Their recycling efforts have earned NPS more than \$450 from 600 lbs. of aluminum cans.

To volunteer, call 646-2228 during regular working hours.

February is National Children's Dental Health month

Child's first visit to dentist makes life-long impression

"How a child accepts the idea of dental care depends on the parents," say dentists at the Naval Postgraduate School dental clinic.

"If parents are apprehensive, the child will pick up on that attitude and will react the same way, even if parents don't say anything negative about going to the dentist," said Dr. Richard Bex, clinic dentist.

Parents can help their children feel good about going to the dentist by scheduling their child's first visit at between one and two years of age. Parents should talk about the visit in a positive, matter-of-fact way, as with any important, new experience. "We want to teach children that the dentist and dental staff are helpers - people who can help them have a healthy smile for their

whole life," said Bex.

With the increasing use of fluoride in public drinking water supplies and toothpastes, the rate of dental decay in children under the age of 16 has dropped 30 percent in the past 20 years, according to the American Dental Association. Also, children who drink fluoridated water from birth have 65 percent fewer cavities and remain cavity-free through their teens.

(National Children's Dental Health Month, a national promotion by the ADA, is observed in February. The dental clinic staff has planned a number of education activities for National Children's Dental Health Month to promote good oral health for all children.)

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NAVY exchange NEWS

It's roses from the heart for Valentine's Day, Thursday, Feb. 14.

The Navy Exchange flower shop will sell one dozen long-stemmed red roses for \$45 and a half dozen for \$23. Also available will be a single rose, wrapped or in a vase, at a reasonable price.

Stop by and see their selection or call 373-5933.

for your information

Smoking survey

The Commissioned Officers and Faculty Club will be surveying patrons' preferences for smoking/non-smoking in the Trident Room during lunch.

A clipboard will be on the bar during lunch until Feb. 1.

Fashion show

A free costume fashion show will be held at 8 p.m. tomorrow in the Barbara McNitt Ballroom.

This show will help those attending decide what costume to wear to the Masquerade Charity Ball on March 2.

The charity ball is a benefit for the American Cancer Society, Monterey Chapter. Tickets to the ball cost \$38 per couple and \$19 individually. Part of the cost is tax deductible and a receipt will be furnished upon request. Ticket sales will begin at the fashion show and continue on Monday, Feb. 4. Tickets may also be purchased through the mail using the form found in *The Classmate* or pink flyer.

For more information about the charity ball, call Diane Hearing at 649-8573.

Civilian office hours

The Civilian Personnel Office is now closed at 1 p.m. during regular workdays. The CPO regrets this inconvenience and

hopes it will be a temporary measure.

The closing is necessary to catch up on required personnel actions that affect everyone at the school. The office has been unable to complete these actions during normal operations. The time is also required to prepare for a personnel management evaluation scheduled for Monday through Friday, Feb. 11-15.

Emergencies will be handled anytime.

Chaplains ceremony

There will be a Four Chaplains Ceremony at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7 at the Epiphany Lutheran Church, 425 Carmel Ave., Marina.

The ceremony will honor the memory of the four U.S. Army chaplains who, with 665 other American servicemen, gave their lives so that others might live when the S.S. Dorchester, an Army troopship, sank in the north Atlantic Ocean off the coast of Greenland during World War II.

Desert Storm help

Most of us are touched by news of Operation Desert Storm to some extent and some may need assistance to cope with the stress they are experiencing.

Civilian employees may receive confidential counseling assistance through the Civilian Employee Assistance Program by contacting the CEAP Coordinator, Jackie

Rhodes, at ext. 3055. This program is designed to help employees who may be experiencing any type of personal problem that impacts negatively on their performance or conduct.

Services have been set up on the Monterey Peninsula specifically to give aid or information to people affected by Operation Desert Storm. One such service is by professional therapists offering free counseling either by phone or by appointment to anyone needing help coping with the effects of the war. Call 394-4656.

For those personnel desiring information regarding the location of U.S. active or reservist military personnel serving worldwide, the following hotlines are available:

- Navy/Marine - 1-800-253-1624
- Air Force - 1-800-253-9276
- Army - 1-317-542-4211
- Coast Guard - 1-800-283-3724

Campus Calendar

February

1st - 12:10 P.M. HERRMANN HALL TERRACE ROOM - NPS TOASTMASTERS MEET (POC: KIRK JOHNSTON, 373-7644)

1st - 8 P.M. - BARBARA MCNITT BALLROOM - MUSICAL COSTUME REVUE FOR TICKETS TO MARCH 2 CHARITY BALL - (POC: DIANE HEARING, 649-8573 OR PAM WAWRZENIAK, 373-7346)

2nd - 11 A.M. - 2 P.M. - NPS MARINA - CHECKRIDE ORIENTATION BY NPS SAILING CLUB (POC: JEFF HUGGINS, 655-4326)

9th - 6:30 P.M. - HERRMANN HALL'S LA NOVIA ROOM - NPS TOASTMASTERS' 20TH ANNIVERSARY PROGRAM (RESERVATIONS, LOU HEMBREE, 647-4787 OR 372-5969)

9th - 8 A.M. - NPS GYM - REGISTRATION FOR 1ST ANNUAL OPEN KARATE TOURNAMENT - 9:30 A.M. - RULES BRIEF - 10:30 A.M. - ELIMINATIONS BEGIN. THERE WILL BE TWO EVENTS FOR THE DAY. TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT NPS REC OFFICE. (POC: JIM BLOUNT, 655-8066, REC OFFICE, EXT. 2466.)

safety notes

For the last several years, motor vehicle mishaps have accounted for about 60 percent of the accidental deaths of Navy personnel.

Many others suffer injuries that prevent them from returning to the work force.

Motor vehicle-related deaths and injuries are too costly, both in terms of money and human resources. The Navy's operational readiness depends upon its people, and readiness is continually being degraded by needless loss of life and limb.

Safety belts have proven to be one of the most effective safety devices in motor vehicles. Safety belts must be worn properly. The safety belt in your vehicle is designed so that the forces on you in a crash are

absorbed in the bones in your hips and shoulders, some of the strongest areas in your body. If the safety belt is worn improperly, with the straps in the wrong position such as under the arms, behind your back or across the stomach, the likelihood of serious injury increases dramatically. A small adjustment in either the belt position or in your position on the seat often can improve comfort and make the belt work better in a crash.

It is against Navy regulations for Navy personnel to ride in the back of an open pick-up truck that does not have safety belts or personnel restraints installed.

For further information on traffic safety, see NAVPGSCOLINST 5100.12.

sports/rec news

NPS student putts into AT&T Pro-Am

by JOC(AW) Charles Howard

Some of the names at the AT&T Pro-Am set for Pebble Beach and the neighborhood, on Jan. 31 through Feb. 3:

Nicklaus, Kite, Lyle, Stadler, Norman, Crenshaw, Roby.

Roby? Well, though Hal Roby hasn't made the cover of Golf Magazine, he recently carded a 288 in four rounds of play to win the club championship at the Naval Postgraduate School golf course.

Under a special local arrangement, that qualified the Marine Corps captain to rub cardigans with the elite field that will play in a major PGA tour event. That they will play on what are acknowledged around the golf establishment as some of the most beautiful courses in the world is gravy to Roby.

"I'll be ecstatic to play, really," the 2nd quarter operations analysis student said.

Roby plays to a 4 handicap. His play in a qualifying round won him a spot in the NPS championships, according to Gene Newton, NPS club pro.

Newton said Navy club champs often played in the event when it was known as the Bing Crosby Pro-Am. The last one to play was an NPS seaman in 1980.

The tournament format has about 360 golfers playing rounds at the Pebble Beach, Spyglass Hill and Poppy Hills courses. Foursomes will include two professionals and two amateurs.

Playing Pebble Beach is a golfer's dream, ranking right up there with playing the site of the Masters in Augusta, Ga., or the old course at St. Andrews, Scotland; the birthplace of the game. Roby's parents may fly out from Maryland and join the oceanside gallery. Still, Roby carries a tempered excitement into the tourney.

"I'm happy to be playing, but I'm torn between struggling with my curriculum and worrying about events in the Mideast," he said. "I have a lot of friends over there."

Navy Band visit

The Washington D.C. Navy Band will perform a free concert at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 20 at King Hall.

Tickets will be available on a first-come, first-served basis at the public affairs office. Persons may request up to four tickets only per visit. Please, no phone calls.

Little League baseball

The Navy Junior Baseball League will hold an information and registration meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 5, at the La Mesa School Multi-Use room.

Registration and tryouts will be held at 3 p.m. April 5, and 9 a.m. April 6.

Questions about La Mesa Little League T-Ball and Minor League programs should be directed to Pam Allie-Morrill at 649-3412 and Mike Kendall at 373-1183.

classifieds

For Sale

1989 1/2 MAZDA RX-7 TURBO-II: Perfect cond., loaded, 12K miles, car cover, must sell. \$18,500 OBO. Call 372-1533 after 5.

89 TOYOTA PICK-UP. \$500. + take over payments - \$8,423. 633-3096 after 6 p.m.

ANTIQUA MEDICINE CABINET. \$95. Antique round pedestal table, \$225. 19" Sharp color TV, \$95. Call 649-8207.

PARTING OUT '74 TRIUMPH SPIT-FIRE. Good trans., body, engine parts. Call Chris, 373-7344. 1989 CAMARO RS, V-6, 19,700 miles, warranty, perfect cond., loaded, red. \$9,999. Call Mike Williams, 649-8858.

1986 CHEVROLET CELEBRITY, auto, pwr. steering, cruise, fuel injection, air, AM/FM stereo, 6 cyl., 2.8 liters, 66K. \$4,950. Call 655-9635.

For Rent

VACATION CONDO RENTAL. Kauai, Hawaii. Pono Kai resort (five star). On beach at Kapaa. BR, LR, kitchen, lanai. Sleeps four. June 26 - July 3. \$850. Contact John at 649-4813.

Ride Wanted

FLYING EAST? Let our labrador retriever accompany you (in baggage comp.) and we'll pay you! Destinations: Charleston, S.C., Florence, S.C. and Columbia, S.C. Steve, 372-6919.

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Monterey Institute International Film Series S.F.B. Morse Auditorium 440 Van Buren, 8:15 p.m.

Feb. 1,2,3 - *ARIEL*, with Turo Pajala and Susanna Haavisto, Finland, 1989, 74 min., color, Finnish with subtitles.

The hit of the 1989 New York Film Festival, *Ariel* is a biting and very funny satire of Western values and genres. Owing its origins to American road movies and 30's gangster films, *Ariel* presents the story of a laborer whose life is caught in a downward spiral leading him into an absurd life of crime. Upon losing his job, Taisto, a mine worker, inherits a huge, white cadillac and embarks on a cross-country road trip with the top down. Unfortunately it is winter and the car's roof is inoperable.