



Still Something Special

WHITE CAPS

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The President's Message

The holidays are here and I don't mind telling you that it's my favorite time of the year. First it's finally cooled down here in Arizona and secondly because I love to decorate. My house is covered with lights and decorations everywhere. Hope all of you enjoy this special time of year and that you'll be able to be with family and friends during this season. I will be traveling to the Portland, Oregon area for Christmas and a week's visit with my son.

Now down to business, at the post National Executive Committee (NEC) and Board of Directors (BOD) meetings, one of the items we discussed is the up coming scholarship contest titles and subjects. The BOD passed the following titles and subjects. "The CAPT Dorothy Stratton USCG Scholarship" with the subject being "Women Guardians of the Coast." and the Anne Marie Bianchi-Gagnon scholarship subject will be "Women in the Seabees." Was sad to hear that Captain Dorothy Stratton, age 107 passed away on September 17th; what a fitting tribute to name one of our scholarships after her.

All appointed positions were presented, voted upon, and passed. We discussed the possibility of adding new items to our Ship's Store, and Patty Jo will be checking out our requests and ideas to see if we can add those new items.

Our convention for 2008 will be in the beautiful city of San Diego, California. At the current time the convention is scheduled for sometime in September of that year. As plans start to come together, I will keep you formed.

A short note about our cruise; some of us learned that you had to be careful when going from one area to another, because the ship had "watch your step bumps" between areas and if you didn't watch your step, you fell down. A couple of our ladies did fall, but there were no serious injuries. Even I missed a step and was on the floor before I knew it, I was too busy talking with some of our ladies and not paying attention. The seas were calm, the weather was great, and we just cruised along. As far as I'm concerned we could not have asked for anything better. Yes, there were a few glitches here and there, but over all I think we all had a good time.

I wish to thank Ida Duffy, newly appointed WN Chaplain and member of Arkansas Travelers Unit 1, Mary Hirschfeldt, Mobile Seafarers Unit 115 and Gladys Martin, Keystone WAVES Unit 6 for a wonderful memorial service on Saturday, September 23, 2006 onboard the Conquest. The reading of more than 400 deceased names took place at 10:00 am in the Degas Lounge. Corrine Robinson, Ida Duffy, Gloria Galati, Barb Turner, Jan Roy, Pat Childers and Patty Jo Parks all took turns reading the names, while Gladys Martin played music in the background. It was very well done and we also sang some songs afterward, led by Mary Hirschfeldt. Then we proceeded down to Deck 3 starboard side, and each member was given a small hand full of red rose petals to throw overboard at the appropriate time. The memorial service concluded with the rose petals being tossed in to the sea. Very appropriate and very nicely done. Thank you all!

I wish to thank Mary Hirschfeldt and Gladys Martin for leading our

music get-togethers and piano music. You two ladies are wonderful and even though we didn't have a choir this time, it was a nice change to listen to the piano music and sing "on our own." Thank you both very much.

DUES, DUES, DUES, it's that time again and this is your reminder to get your dues paid as soon as possible. Once you've got that out of the way, you don't have to think about it for another year. Better yet, why not sign up for Life Membership, then you won't have to worry about it ever again, just your local dues. Yes, even I need to do this and this year I will become a Life Member of WAVES National.

I want to ask a favor of those of you who correspond with me. Whether it is via e-mail, snail mail, or phone calls, I ask that you please have patience with my responses. I am still a working woman who puts in 40 plus hours a week for the police department and I don't always have the chance to look and see who has corresponded with me. I will respond as soon as I can, but it may be a few days before you receive the answers to your inquiries. I truly appreciate your patience and I thank you in advance.

Remember to keep our troops in your prayers, especially during the holidays, for we know that they would love to be home with their families.

Happy holidays and have a Happy New Year.

Navy Friendship,

Sharon

Quote of the Day

"How others treat me is their path; how I react is mine."

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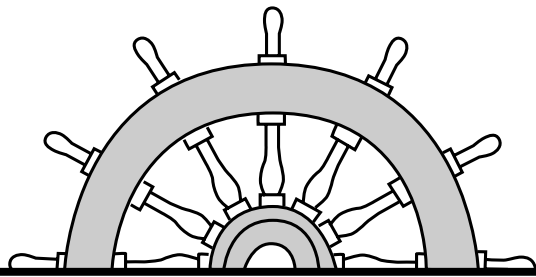
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3. **National Dues: \$15.00 for the calendar year - 1 January to 31 December, submitted to the National Treasurer. Unit members submit to Unit Treasurer; Members-at-Large, submit directly to the National Treasurer.**
4. **When dues have been paid by new members, membership cards will be issued to Unit Treasurers and individually to Members-at-Large. Current members who pay dues will not be issued another membership card. LIFE members will be issued a permanent LIFE membership card.**
5. **All changes of address must be forwarded to the Exec. Secretary promptly, as "Change Service Requested". Fee is 70 cents on each return. There will be no re-mailing of WHITE CAPS unless member forwards \$3.00 to Gloria Galati. **First Class postage is \$3.00 per year.****
6. You may submit your White Caps articles via e-mail to Barb Turner, turners_5@tx.rr.com and copy to Sharon Woods, sharonsnw1124@aol.com

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FROM THE BRIDGE

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT



Dassa Carvey

For those of you who couldn't make it to convention, you missed a great cruise and opportunity to earn your "sea legs", if you have never put to sea!

While at sea, my time was spent in various meetings, but when we docked, I had the opportunity of participating in some snorkeling adventures – one with the sting rays – and an excursion into Cozumel, Mexico, for some shopping. My fondest souvenirs from this adventure are a picture of a live iguana perched on my shoulders and a picture of some of your officers, who shall remain nameless, with the Mexican police!

Our next convention will be in San Diego, so start saving your pennies now in order to be able to join us in this beautiful Navy town. Units in California have promised some really exciting tours and an opportunity to visit with old friends and make new ones. One way of saving for the trip is to cash in your coupons at various stores and then put your savings in a special jar/can labeled for the San Diego convention trip. You'd be surprised how much you will collect in a very short time.

Of course, the convention was not all fun and games, and we had a lot of business to attend to. One of the topics of discussion was our decreasing membership. It is my intent to identify a plan to increase membership and pursue that objective over the next two years. I will need the assistance of each and every member of WAVES National to make this happen, however. I do not operate in a vacuum and need your help. I need for you to actively recruit new members, talk to anyone and everyone you meet. You never know

when you will meet someone who has been in the military or who knows someone who is currently in or has been in the service. I'm asking you to wear your colors – stand out and be proud! One lady, upon retiring from the Navy, decided to make her civilian wardrobe all red, white and blue. That's what she has worn and has drawn questions from strangers. This gives her an opportunity to brag about WAVES National and recruit members for her unit! You can do this, too!

At the National level, we are looking into obtaining the support of a public relations firm to put together a national publicity campaign to advertise WAVES National. We have a couple of options and will be looking into this in more detail. I will keep you informed as to the progress we make and remember, you'll read about it here first!

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT



Jo Adamson

I wish to send an "AHOY SHIPMATES" and a thank you for your confidence in voting me to the office of 2nd Vice. I was very surprised that only around 800 out of over 4,000 of our members voted. Not a very good showing. Let's hope we have more participation next election.

I believe everyone who went on the cruise had a tremendous time, I know my family and I did. The food was out of this world.

Since moving from Florida to Illinois the beginning of March, I have been diligently working to start a new WAVES Unit, because as of now there are none in this State. We also have another unit out of Iowa that has turned in their Charter due to the loss of members. We are losing our members at an

increasing rate and not recruiting many replacements. I hereby challenge all of our members to go out and recruit one new member this year. Some perfect places to find new members are:

VA Hospitals - Reserve Centers - advertising locally - Veterans Organizations - Health Fairs - Parades - Retirement Areas - Military Bases - wearing your shirts to functions or out in town when shopping.

Here's hoping you have a great holiday season and continue to say a prayer for all our troops who will be spending their holidays away from their loved ones.

God Bless—JO ADAMSON

TREASURER



Pat Childers

The cruise/convention was fantastic; it was so great to see all who attended and to meet family members. I want to wish each and everyone a happy holiday season, and HAPPY NEW YEAR. This is the busy time of the year for Unit Treasurer's and me so please make our jobs easier by paying your dues promptly. I attended several events in November, the highlight was the annual "Women Veterans Historical Project" luncheon and program on Nov 4th at the University of North Carolina, Greensboro. A large group of WAVES from the two units in North Carolina attended and it was a great time as usual!

With the National Board of Directors approval Gloria Galati (Executive Secretary) and I volunteered to reduce our compensation to \$250 per month each. With the steady decline in membership we felt that would be appropriate; this is a savings of \$9,000 annually. Our WN projects, the Stained Glass

Window and the WN Scholarship Funds have seen a decrease in donations. Please keep WN in mind for your year end donations. I will be happy to provide a letter to document your generosity for your tax preparations.

Many thanks to Carl Gagnon for his generous donation to the scholarship named for his Mother; Anne Marie Bianchi-Gagnon, and to Lorraine and Ernest Fecteau for their generous donation to the WN Scholarship Fund in memory of their dear Aunt, Genoria Fecteau Maddie (Unit 41). These scholarships are funded entirely by the donations of our membership and their families and friends. I know Lou Ann Huskisson, the new Stained Glass Window Chairman was pleased to hear of Marlene Mathis' generous donation to the fund.

Please look for the budget report and other financial reports in the coming months.

BYLAWS CHAIRMAN PNP



Jan Roy

We always seem to have an assortment of bylaw amendments at each convention, but most of them have covered fairly minor issues and clarifying language and grammar changes. Most of these have been submitted by me, so I guess that's why the new President appointed me as chairman of this committee! As you know, we are having problems getting members to assume the various offices, and many units are suffering from declining membership.

Please read your bylaws carefully. I would welcome any proposed amendments dealing with the present status of WAVES National; i.e. members holding more than one office, the required number of members of a unit being decreased and just relaxing some of our bylaws somewhat to make things easier for our members and units. If you have any questions about your bylaws, situations in your units relating to our bylaws, or whether you want me to

review your bylaws or sample bylaws in the case of a new unit, please feel free to contact me.

The deadline for submitting bylaw amendments to me will be July 15, 2007, so that I may review them and present them to the Board of Directors at their mid-term meeting in August 2007.

PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIRMAN



Rhonda Walker

Greetings from the volunteer state of Tennessee, where I am a member of the Volunteer Unit #94 in Nashville. I have a family member at the York Medical Center; the VA hospital facility in Murfreesboro, so I give a few hours of volunteer time to them when I visit her.

While I served 3 years on active duty as a WAVE, I was born in the Navy and grew up in a number of cities, which included Jacksonville and Key West, Fl; Bremerhaven, Germany; Portsmouth, VA; New London, CT; Portsmouth, NH; Vallejo, CA; and finally San Diego, CA, which I claim as one of my 'home towns.' (*It is written that Military brats may claim as many home towns as they wish!*) I lived the first 21 years of my life in the Navy, served 3, married a sailor and spent 2 more years 'in.' Therefore, as I see it, I was in the Navy for 26 years, and experienced Navy life as a 'brat', a wife and a WAVE. No wonder my blood still runs Navy blue.

After boot at Bainbridge from Sept to Dec 1962, it was Journalist 'A' School at the Great Lakes, then on to San Diego where I was stationed at NAS North Island assigned to the North Islander Newspaper, a weekly, which I loved! Of course, as is the way sometimes, I was first temporarily assigned to Officer Personnel, where they learned very quickly that I was absolutely NOT a Yeoman (too many typos). After only a week I went to Legal, same result; then to the Personnel Office where I managed being a PN successfully, for a few months. Finally

my billet opened at the newspaper and I was able to do the work I'd studied to do and I loved it! The office was in the old plane tower. Also, on duty weekends, I conducted station tours for visiting dignitaries, reserve units, etc.

Met and married my husband there and although I was career designated it was a different time in 1965, and Uncle Sam said I had to get out in order to start my family. In 1971 I became one of the first 'mature' students entering the University of North Florida thanks to the G.I. Bill. With a degree in psychology I then did my graduate work here at Tennessee Tech University. I'm retired from the counseling profession now, but I've remained active in volunteer organizations, then and now, where I'm usually the one in charge of publicity and public relations.

So now I'm here to serve you for the next two years, as your Public Relations Chairman. You may send requests to me for sample press releases, spot announcements, etc., for your local news media. Please do not hesitate to contact me anytime. I'm at drwalk@multiapro.com or 931-432-5516.

VAVS DEP/REP



Susan DeRosa

There are many ways you can give as an individual or as a unit. Donation of time: One of the most generous gifts is time. There are many positions at the VA facilities that are waiting to be filled by individuals or groups that are willing and able to give of themselves. Contact the Voluntary Service at your local VAMC and they will provide you with more information on positions as well as committees that need volunteers. Exp.: escorting, clerical support, friendly visits, etc. Monetary and Material Goods: The medical center could not provide many of the services for our veterans if it were not for the kindness of people in the community; the veteran's service organizations and businesses. Donations of cash and materials supplement the operating budget of the facilities

and provide for the increasing needs of the veterans we serve. Contact the Voluntary Service Office at your local VAMC and they will provide you with more information on ongoing programs and projects that need your help. Exp.: Palliative care rooms, lap robes, hats, scarves, mittens, clothing, patient TV's, wheelchairs, magazines, comfort items, etc.

Ladies, there is something there for everyone whether you can volunteer at the facility or home, all you have to do is ask. For those of you who already volunteer, we are still in need of VAVS Representatives and Deputies. Please think about this, it doesn't take a lot of time and it would be good for our organization. We need YOU!!!!

VA/MEDICAL HEALTH



Ruth Storck

The less you eat; the more meals you skip – the more weight you will lose. Many women make this huge mistake. They starve themselves and skip meals in all effort to lose the pounds.

Meal skipping actually slows the body's metabolism and makes it want to store fat. The best meal plan for weight loss – two to three green vegetable snacks and three balanced meals a day to keep the hunger away. This keeps the metabolism (fat burner) working all day; giving you more energy and burning calories. Remember: A healthy balanced diet is only healthy when your Doctor puts his stamp of approval on it. So set a plan, consult your Doctor and eat healthy to burn the fat calories.

HEARTSPRING PROJECT



Roberta Kolterman

During the past six months, we sent 751 box tops and 20 Tyson A+ labels to Heartspring at Wichita, Kansas. Our next donation needs to be forwarded by Feb 1, 2007. More units need to participate. My new

address can be found on page 2 of this White Caps.

HISTORIAN



Denise Duke

HAPPY HOLIDAYS to all!! I can't believe another year has flown by. I've started to receive a few photos from members from the cruise. The first person who sent me photos was our new president, Sharon Woods!! **Thank you, Sharon.** Our lost camera found a home. I was so glad to return it to its rightful owner.

Over the next two years there will be plenty of events for you all to send me articles, photos, and other items. When you have your Veteran's activities or holiday parties make sure you keep me in mind. I don't need many photos, one is plenty. Just make sure you put on a separate sheet of paper who everyone is in the photo. I attended the Veteran's Day celebration in Birmingham this year. This celebration is the biggest and oldest Veteran's celebration in America. I am so proud to represent WAVES National. I'll tell you all about it in my next article. Have a safe and happy holiday season!

SHIP'S STORE



Patty Jo Parks

Ahoy, Ladies! Wow! September's Convention/Cruise was certainly a learning experience for me!! Huge THANKS to the ladies who stepped in and helped and to ALL of you for your patience! I spent the better part of September and October filling orders and shipping OVER 300 packages!!

Hopefully, any and all backorders will be filled by the time this White Caps reaches your mail box.

PLEASE NOTE: Some items have been discontinued and others have had price changes. **For the MOST CURRENT information, use the MOST RECENT White Caps order form.**

As of 1 January 2007, orders may be delayed if the correct payment and/or shipping is not included.

I've heard from many of you with suggestions for new items. Keep your ideas coming!! In the February *White Caps*, I'll run a list of the ideas submitted and ask you to vote for your favorite! No guarantees that we can stock everything suggested, but we are here to supply and outfit YOU!

Keep Warm & Happy New Year!

Patty Jo

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY



Gloria Galati

Well it's winter time on the north coast of Ohio and it looks like the holiday season is in full swing! I wish and hope that each WN member has the best holiday season ever and the New Year brings much health, happiness and peace on earth for everyone and especially our troops serving around the world and in Iraq!

On behalf of the Moretta-Newberg families I would like to thank all WN members who expressed sympathy on the passing of my mother, Gloria Lorraine Moretta-Newberg, who passed away on October 15th. She will always be missed and I have wonderful memories to last a lifetime!

Just a friendly reminder to all WN members that we do not list non-WN members in our Silver Taps Section of the White Caps. Those obituaries should be sent to WIMSA at the following address: Women's Memorial, Macie Boyd, Director of Registration and Data Entry, 200 N. Glebe Rd., Suite 400, Arlington, VA. 22203-3728 or e-mail regdept@aol.com. Also if you have moved please send a change of address to me ASAP so your White Caps will not be interrupted. Sometimes the Post Office is late in getting new addresses of members in a timely manner for the following issue of the White Caps. Until next time please take care and as always.

Anchors Aweigh! Gloria

VOLUNTEER SERVICES



Dewann Beatson

Do you need reports forms? Check with your Unit President. She received a new Procedures Manual in August and she can make copies of any of the required forms. MALs - send a request with a self addressed envelope and I will send you a volunteer form. Units – please, only one report for all members. I have received reports for individuals in units and this is confusing as some do not say they are in a unit or what the unit number is and I wonder if they are MAL'S. If in doubt what you do is volunteerism? Are you paid? Not Volunteer! No pay = Volunteer. Please send only hours, not a list of goods and value - your President includes that in another report.

WHITE CAPS EDITOR



Barb Turner

I have a new e-mail address — see page 2. Please keep mailing your unit newsletters to me so that I can keep up with what you are doing. Yes, I do take information out of your unit newsletters, but I also realize that there are units out there who don't have a unit newsletter or MALs who sometimes feel left out. Please feel free to send in your ATTA WAVE AWARD information via e-mail or snail mail. I want to pay tribute to our wonderful members and the volunteer activities that you are involved in, but perhaps get little mention.

If you have an idea for White Caps, please let me know. It was suggested to me at convention that we have "Letters to the Editor" and I think that is a great idea. If you have a question or concern that would be of interest to the majority of our members, please send them to me. Ann Landers I'm not, but I will research the question and provide answers to the same. Keep in mind that space is limited and I may have to edit your letters for content and space; and

also realize that all Letters may not get published. These "Letters to the Editor" are not for ranting and raving either. Let's be politically correct for the good of all hands.

When submitting your articles for FOAM off the WAVES, please try to limit your submission to 75 words. I must edit the articles way down and hate to leave out information that you want to see in your article. I would much rather that YOU edit your article. Thank you. Happy holidays!

2006 CONVENTION CHAIRMAN



Corrine Robinson

The Mississippi Mates, Unit #150 of WAVES National hopes everyone had a safe journey home from our first WAVES National Cruise. We have heard so many, "Let's plan another cruise."

Although some of the bills have not been received, we will happily be in the black. All of our crystal necklaces sold out and another batch is on order. Please call or write me to put your name on the waiting list. Our handy tote bags were well received. You can order a tote bag from Ships Store.

We want to thank everyone who has been involved with our two years of planning, last minute bag stuffing at the hotel and on board the Carnival Con-

quest. Making our registration, meetings, cocktail party and memorial service go as smoothly as possible were large tasks and required loads of help.

A special thanks to the staff of Travel Affiliates, Becky and Paula in Gulfport, MS., who continually went the extra mile to see to our extra needs in Galveston, at the hotels and on board ship. We started out with 750 registrations and ended up with 543 due to illness and accidents. It was nice to see so many family members and guests. We hope they had fun and will attend in the future.

Three free cabins for two were awarded to our WAVES who won them in a drawing and one WAVE won the big cash drawing. We heard that several WAVES did very well at the casino on board, too. The evening shows and the Karaoke were enjoyed by all.

It has been a pleasure working for you as your WAVES National Convention Chairman, 2006. It has been a true labor of love. Thank you for all your kind notes, phone calls, and alerts on my bloopers. Some phone calls I received were from people I had not talked to since 1955. This is as a result of advertising our "reunion" in the American Legion and FRA magazines.

I could write a book on all the funny bloopers that came in. All in all, I hope everyone enjoyed the Convention as much as I did.

San Diego, 2008, here we come!

MILITARY GLASS ART



If you are looking for a beautiful one-of-a-kind gift for that someone special, please check out the website here: www.RobinGlassArt.com. Robin is a retired Master Chief living in Warren, MA and has gone in to business making beautiful painted glass. Here is the piece that was given to Barb Turner for her four years as our national president.

Each *Military Glass Art* by Robin is custom designed and custom hand-painted on 1/8" industrial grade glass. Once the paint dries, there is a second piece of glass suspended/spaced above the original artwork, then framed.



WAVES NATIONAL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

Two \$1,500 scholarships are available for lineal descendants or relatives (male and female) of women who served, or are presently serving in the Navy, Coast Guard or Marines or their reserve components. The names of the scholarships and the topics for 2007 are: The Anne Marie Bianchi-Gagnon Scholarship, "Women in the Seabees" and the CAPT Dorothy Stratton, USCG Scholarship "Women Guardians of the Coast".

In the past, several entrants have been disqualified because they did not follow the rules. **PLEASE READ THE RULES.**

1. Eligibility is open to a relative or lineal descendant, male or female, of women who have served or are serving in the Navy, Coast Guard or Marines. A lineal descendant is a relative, by birth or legal adoption, of the sea service woman – step-children/grandchildren are allowed to submit an application. The entrant

must send proof of the sea service woman's honorable discharge or her present status in the military.

- 2. Essays must be written on the assigned topics.
- 3. Competition is open to high school seniors or college students. They may enter one or both scholarship competitions.
- 4. The essay must consist of 1,000 to 1,500 words and must show evidence of research.
- 5. Entrants must submit four copies of each essay.
- 6. Entries must be postmarked by **March 15, 2007**, with no exception. Applications and accompanying documents, as described, should be mailed to:

Diane Turcotte
Scholarship Contest Chairperson
11 Northside Lane #55
Skowhegan, ME 04976-4153

Don't miss this opportunity to encourage a relative in his/her aspirations for the future.

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

YOUR NAME: _____

YOUR ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____
(Please include zip plus last four digits)

COUNTY: _____

COUNTRY: _____

PHONE (including area code): _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS (if applicable): _____

YOUR AGE: _____

ARE YOU A UNITED STATES CITIZEN?: YES _____ NO _____

GENDER: FEMALE _____ MALE _____

ARE YOU A RESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES?: YES _____ NO _____

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WAVES NATIONAL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

COLLEGE TYPE YOU INTEND ON ATTENDING OR ARE CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN:

_____ 4-YEAR/GRADUATE COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY

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_____ TRADE/TECHNICAL SCHOOL

HIGH SCHOOL TEST SCORES SAT Verbal _____ SAT Math _____ ACT COMP _____

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COURSE OF STUDY: What courses do you plan to study in college? _____

WOMAN SEA SERVICE VETERAN OR ACTIVE DUTY WOMAN

FULL NAME (including maiden): _____

RELATIONSHIP: _____
(i.e. "Grandmother", "Great Aunt", etc.)

WOMAN SEA SERVICE VETERAN OR ACTIVE DUTY WOMAN MILITARY SERVICE STATUS:

Veteran of U.S. Navy U.S. Marine Corps U.S. Coast Guard

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PROOF OF WOMAN SEA SERVICE VETERAN'S HONORABLE SERVICE: (Please provide a legible copy of the DD 214, discharge certificate or a copy of current military ID card.) This is **REQUIRED** in order to prove eligibility for this scholarship application. Your application will not be considered if this information is not submitted.

Complete this application and send with your essay. The essay must be in your own words. Mail the completed Scholarship Application, proof of eligibility, essay and all other required documentation/ information to the following committee (online submissions will not be accepted):

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(DEADLINE IS MARCH 15, 2007)

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ATTA - WAVES AWARDS



SE Connecticut Ripples Unit 40 – is proud to report that Patricia Weiner of Ledyard was recently chosen to serve as the New England Regional Representative of WAVES National. Pat, originally from Ware, MA., served in the Navy from 1952 to 1955, leaving the service as a Seaman, computer operator. She went to work as a computer specialist at the submarine base in Groton, CT after her military career, retiring in 1995 after 28 years at the base. She has been a member of the Southeastern Connecticut Unit of WAVES National for 11 years. There are three WAVES chapters in Connecticut, with about 100 total members. The local Groton chapter has 27 members. Pat has served as State Director three times, and will spend the next two years visiting local chapters in all six New England states. She said her goal as New England Regional Representative is to try and increase membership throughout the region. **CONGRATULATIONS, PAT!**

Pioneer Valley WAVES Unit 81 – are happy to report that on Thursday, Nov 9th, Gertrude Carney, former unit president and currently the newsletter editor was honored at the Springfield, MA City Hall as the Springfield

Veteran of the Year. Gert is a WW II veteran of the Navy Hospital Corps and was a corpsman and pharmacist. Many of the unit members attended the ceremony to show support! **BRAVO ZULU, GERT!**

THANK YOU! Dear WN Members, I greatly appreciated all of the phone calls and get well cards that I received and those signed by the convention attendees. They boosted my spirits when I was not feeling very cheerful. Also the convention bag and goodies were great. Bill and I were very disappointed to have missed the cruise and seeing those we know so well these past 26 years. It has been two months since I fractured my leg and I hope I will now be able to put some weight on that foot which will allow me to spend less time in my wheel chair. One plus to all this is that I made some new friends during the six weeks I stayed at a rehab facility. I also wish to extend my congratulations to all the newly elected WN officers and may you sail smoothly through the next two years. My best to all of you and Navy Love, Mary Jahn, WN 1st National President

WIMSA 10th Anniversary Celebration—October 2007

Start planning now to attend the 10th Anniversary, October 2007 celebration of Women In Military Service for America at the WIMSA Memorial in Washington DC.

Go to: www.womensmemorial.org for the latest information on this "must attend" event.

REGIONAL CONFERENCES

REGION IV — April 20-22, 2007

Holiday Inn Presidential
600 Interstate 30
Little Rock, AR 72202
866-900-7625

Please notify the reservation desk at the hotel when you call that you are with the **WAVES National Conference**. Rooms are \$86.00 for a double per night, plus tax. POC: Toni Lazenby at tonliz@comcast.net for further information.

LOOKING FOR ...

I was one of the Navy WAVES stationed in Dayton, Ohio 1943 – 1946 working on the secret code breaking machine, "The Bombe". The Carillon Historical Park has acquired one of the cabins we lived in and is in need of uniforms for the mannequins. And if anyone stationed there have pictures, we would appreciate them as well. We are working to let people know how the WAVES helped to win the war. Point of contact: Nancy Horlacher, Director of the Park, 1000 Carillon Blvd, Dayton, OH 45409-2023, phone 937-293-2841, FAX 937-293-5798 (Mildred W. Jones)

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ARKANSAS TRAVELERS

Unit # 1 (AR) – The unit held a memorial service for one of our long time members, Orpha Gray at our October meeting. She will be missed. We discussed our plans to hold the Region IV Conference in Little Rock in April 2007. We are sure everyone will want to tour the Clinton Library and you are all cordially invited to attend. For more information see the listing elsewhere in this issue of White Caps. We also planned our Christmas party.

ANCHORETTES

Unit #2 (CA) - Members continued alternating meeting sites (Legion/Restaurants). Attended the commissioning ceremony for the the Lillian Keil Post Office. Dottie Sherrard in her WW2 uniform. Members attended the annual Service Women's Luncheon in Orange County on November 4th.

BAY AREA WAVES

Unit #3 (CA) - Six BAW returned from the WN convention with smiles on their faces and plenty of sea stories to tell! Now we will start saving for the next WN convention in beautiful San Diego. Veterans Day was a very busy time and then our All Women's Luncheon was hosted by Redwood Empire WAVES in San Rafael. A local senior center had a flag that was in bad shape, so we got them a new one through contacts with the fleet reserve. We have replaced several flags since starting to notice the condition of flying flags over schools and other buildings. We take the old flags and retire them with dignity. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all units from the BAW.

ROADRUNNER WAVES

Unit #4 (NM) - After a relatively quiet summer the ladies of RRU have jumped in with both feet to sponsor the Twenty-Fourth Annual Women Veterans Luncheon. The turn-out was good and everyone enjoyed the speaker who gave us an update on the Women's Clinic at the Veterans Hospital. The Christmas Luncheon will be catered at the New Mexico Veterans Memorial. All of us send best wishes for a wonderful holiday season, and may 2007 bring happiness, good health, and success in all you do!

GATEWAY WAVES

Unit #5 (MO) - We would like to thank WAVES National Newsletter Chairman and Newsletter Committee for awarding us First Place in Newsletter Contest. Special thanks to Bill and Mary Jahn, Publishers and our Editor Alice Anderson.

Happy holidays to all. We look forward to 2007!

SUNCOAST WAVES

Unit #15 (FL) – The unit rented a van so that twelve members could attend the NWVRWL which was hosted by the Gulf Coast Dolphins, Unit #56 on Nov. 4th. A memorial service for departed member, Virginia Hermanson, was held and the family and her friends thanked the unit very much for doing this. Virginia is to be buried at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, DC where her husband is buried.

GARDEN STATE WAVES

Unit #16 (NJ) – Members of the unit attended the Fall Veterans Picnic and gathering at the 4H fairgrounds. There were many military units with displays and we were all entertained by a mini - U.S.O. Show. The unit had a booth entitled "Women of Courage" honoring all women in the military, past and present and we provided information about WN. We have two new members and possibly a third. Yes! It pays to advertise.

NORTH COAST WAVES

Unit #21 (OH) - Navy experiences that Dorothy Budacki related to a Korean-WWII group will be archived at the University of Akron. While seven members were on the cruise, eight others were participating in the first area *STAND DOWN* at an Akron VFW. Reservations filled so quickly for the first Ohio Women Veteran's Conference in Circleville that most members were unable to make reservations in time for October event. In November several members attended the induction ceremony of unit co-founder Jo Trotter into "The Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame Class of 2006" in Columbus.

MICHIGAN UNIT

Unit #32 (MI) - Four members represented the unit at the 2006 convention and enjoyed 7 days aboard the Carnival Conquest. Two members attended the All-Service Women's luncheon in September. The unit then put in a bid to host this event for Michigan women veterans

in Lansing in November 2007. The first weekend in October, several unit members, spouses, and two visitors from Unit 137 in the Upper Peninsula, traveled to Alpena - a 286 mile one-way trip from Grand Rapids and more than that from the Detroit area - for our October unit meeting. Our Christmas meeting will be held in Brighton.

CONNECTICUT YANKEES

Unit #42 (CT) – Several members attended the Stand Down at the Rocky Hill Veterans Home. Unit members marched or rode in the Connecticut Veterans' Day Parade in Hartford. Thanks to Barbara Hawley we have been in contact with some female reservists who were activated, and the unit will be sending cards and care packages to them. A memorial service for our deceased members and our mystery auction fundraiser took place at the November meeting. We will finish the year with our Christmas party early this month.

FIVE SEASONS WAVES

Unit #53 (IA) - We had a special guest in September, a former Navy commander who calls himself "The Crazy Czech Pilot". He described the funny side of being a Navy pilot and instructor, then later the perils of a crop duster. In attendance also was Sandy Neiderhiser, daughter of unit member Wilma Wilson. Sandy displayed a beautiful album she had put together with pictures, articles and letters of her mother's time in service.

SAND DOLLAR WAVES

Unit #60 (FL) – Newly elected officers were sworn in at the September meeting. We are especially proud of our member, Mary Alexander, whose granddaughter, Lt. Katie R Blanchard is stationed on the USCG Cutter Henry Blake (WLM-563) out of Puget Sound, Washington. Six members enjoyed a great Convention Cruise and reported some of their experiences at our October meeting. Several members attended the All Service Luncheon held in November in Venice, sponsored by unit 56. BGen Wilma Vaught, USAF (Ret.) was the honored guest. Veterans Day Observance was held at Bay Pines VA Healthcare System. Our best wishes and prayers for everyone for the Holiday Season!

COLUMBIA RIVER RIPPLES

Unit #70 (OR) – We haven't heard from each member who attended the con-

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vention cruise yet, but we are looking forward to that. We thank everyone who worked very hard on putting it together. The collection of food and toys for the annual VFW Christmas project, which aids families of locally deployed service members, is in full swing. The unit also donated treasury money chits to be used to purchase food or expenses for these same families. To all WN units, we wish you a happy and content holiday season.

FORE & AFT

Unit # 72 (OH) - After lunch at the September business meeting, officers for the next two years were installed. The social meeting in October, 20 members present (plus three members' husbands) met at the "Century Inn" for a delicious luncheon and friendly "gabfest". The unit was represented at the WAVES National Convention by Ann Candor and her husband.

SPACE COAST WAVES

Unit #75 (FL) - Seven weary but enthused members (plus two husbands) returned from sea after attending the WN 16th Biennial Convention. Encouraged to seek out new members from those currently serving, we counted among the 21 from our unit attending the local All Service Women's Luncheon at IRCC in October. Upcoming activities to honor our active duty and veterans include a first-time STAND-UP: a two day event at Wickham Park Pavilion. The unit was represented at the 24th Annual Veterans Day Massing of the Colors at the Brevard Community College and our own member-author, Betty Yaroch, spoke at our Nov. luncheon meeting on the problems and rewards of "getting published".

REDWOOD EMPIRE WAVES

Unit #77 (CA) - In September a dozen members in uniform attended memorial services at Yountville Veterans Home Chapel, furnishing a color guard to honor residents who passed away in the previous month. Former Yeoman Virginia Charleston passed away on Oct 4th and several unit members served as her honor guard. Hattie Stone presented a flag to Virginia's daughter. The All Women Veterans Luncheon was held on Nov 4th and

several members participated in the Veterans Day parade in Petaluma.

PIONEER VALLEY WAVES

Unit # 81 (MA) - Bonnie Grenier, a member of our unit and a WIMSA Field Rep addressed the importance of getting "Our Story" into our memorial. She also spoke about the memorial since its dedication in 1997 and hoped that some of us would be able to attend the 10th Anniversary in 2007. "Finding The Missing" was a major focus of her presentation. She has submitted close to 500 obituaries to our registry and any articles depicting women in the military.

VOLUNTEER WAVES

Unit #94 (TN) - In October, two Unit members "volunteered" two full days to help with the registration of 479 former POW's for "The American Ex-Prisoners of War" 59th Annual Reunion held in Nashville, TN. The 14th Annual Stand Down for homeless veterans was held in Nashville, TN at the National Guard Armory, whereby we furnished all of the desserts for their Saturday evening meal. Our members served the 297 homeless veterans, which included 11 women, and some 75 volunteers from other veteran organizations. The unit had an entry in Nashville's Veterans Day Regional Parade with members who walk, or ride in decorated automobiles. In every activity in which we "volunteer", we wear our WAVES National Vests with Logo, our WAVES National Hats, and our Service Ribbons. Everyone knows that Women of the Sea Services have been there and "volunteered"!

FLAT WATER WAVES

Unit #98 (NE) - The unit had their final 2006 meeting on October 7th, in York, Nebraska. Pat Hunsche presented the "Outgoing President Pin" to Jill Slocum, who is moving to Texas for a new job opportunity. We will miss her leadership and wish her the best in her new position. Mary Scamehorn told of her great vacation on the WN Convention Cruise, and showed photos taken. We elected a new president, Linda Delgado. The Unit also donated funds to 'SOS', Support our Soldiers, which is a scout project which mails packages to the military overseas. The funds will help provide postage. Our next meeting will be in April 2007.

GREEN MOUNTAIN GIRLS

Unit #113 (VT) - The units 15th anniversary was held in August at the Vergennes American Legion Post with

the VA Women Veterans Program Manager as guest speaker. Four unit members along with friends and family members attended the 2006 convention cruise. Six members attended the annual Servicewomen's Luncheon in Montpelier - the Army outnumbered us this year! Our unit will host this luncheon in the fall of 2007 after having gained experience co-hosting the 2007 WN regional conference with unit 109 this coming spring.

CACTUS WAVES

Unit #114 (AZ) - We were 15 years old in September and celebrated our birthday at the November meeting. Several of our members visited the ladies at the Arizona VA Home on October 27th. Commander Darlene Bennett, Arizona Naval Reserve Center, told us about her naval career during our meeting on October 28th. The first week of November was the Arizona Veterans Picnic where we gave out several WN applications. On November 11th, 10 members participated in the Mesa Veterans Day Parade and our Christmas luncheon will be held at Casino Arizona in their Eagles Buffet Restaurant. Happy holidays.

OCEAN STATE

Unit #118 (RI) - Twenty four members and guests including four active duty women stationed at Newport enjoyed the annual Pot Luck picnic at which Helen Ryder, a charter member, celebrated her 96th birthday. On Sep 30th, in conjunction with the DAV, they hosted a very successful All Service Women Veterans Luncheon at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Warwick, RI. Four members attended the October 15th dedication and renaming of the US Post Office in Cranston in honor of Corporal Holly A. Charette, USMC, who was killed in Iraq in June 2005. On Saturday, Nov 4th a wreath was laid at the base of the RI Women Veterans Memorial at the RI Veterans Cemetery in honor of the 4th anniversary of the dedication.

LAKE ERIE WAVES

Unit #128 (OH) - Our October social at Bravo was nice with eight members present. Thanks to "Toni" our only true Italian; who suggested the wedding soup and it was good as the other choices were. Our Christmas party will be December 9th at Valleywood Country Club. Hope we have a great turn out for our annual picture by Marian Elfring, our president this year.

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BLUEGRASS

Unit #129 (KY) - The unit donated bags of Halloween treats to the children of the veterans hospitalized at the Louisville VAMC. A contribution in memory of Vivian Hinton, our fifth deceased member this past year, has been sent to the WN Scholarship Fund.

CASCADE SEAFARERS

Unit #138 (OR) - Mildred "Mickey" Kalinauskas reported on the 2006 convention and said "WOW"! Seven members from the unit attended the convention and from all reports, everyone had a fantastic time. Dropping the rose petals overboard after the memorial service was very impressive. Margaret Thorngate was installed as Regional Representative. During lunch on Tuesday, the members of Unit 138

installed Mickey as the Oregon State Director. There are some wonderful activities planned for the coming year and reports will be provided on them as they occur.

CHEROKEE ROSE

Unit #139 (GA) - Three members plus six guests made the cruise with WN and all enjoyed and are ready to go again. Member Martha Carrick hosted the Oct. meeting at the beautiful Park Place retirement community club house with a catered lunch. Underclothing was collected for Homeless Women Vets and this is an ongoing project of the unit. The December Christmas Gala will again be held in Decatur on Sat. Dec. 9th at 4 pm for members and guests.

TIDEWATER TIDAL WAVES

Unit # 152 (VA) - The unit had a booth at the Oceana Air Show to recruit new members. BZ goes to Charity Mahannah for her selection to Chief Musician

(MUC). She was pinned by her husband MUC H. Mahannah and YNC Alice Wamsley, a WWII WAVE. Several unit members attended the WAVES Convention onboard the Carnival Conquest. BZ to the unit for taking 1st place in the membership recruitment contest. We voted to give the prize money to the women at the Veteran's Hospital.

FOX CITIES

Unit 153 (WI) - At our Sept. 30 meeting, Phyllis Stevenson reported on the WN 2006 Convention which was held cruising on the Carnival Conquest. Members enjoyed pictures and reports of the meetings. Several members attended the October luncheon to hear guest speaker Jim Nicholson (Secretary of VA). In Dec., our president will host a Christmas party at which time members will bring gifts for women veterans who live at the Veterans Home and Hospital in King, WI.

CAPT DOROTHY STRATTON REMEMBERED ~ Her Life and Legacy



USCG photo

This story is a personal retrospective about Coast Guard CAPT Dorothy C. Stratton, first director of the Coast Guard SPARs during World War II. CAPT Stratton passed away on Sept. 17, 2006, at the age of 107. (Reprinted at the permission of the Women In Military Service For America Memorial Foundation, Inc.)

She's been called a pioneer, a legend - but for a brief 20 years, I called her friend.

Without a doubt, much will be written chronicling the life and work of CAPT Dorothy Stratton, best known for her service as the first director of the Coast Guard Women's Reserve (SPARs) during WWII. All would agree that she leaves behind an enormous legacy, but CAPT Stratton wasn't terribly concerned with being known as a pioneer or a legend. No, she simply wanted to leave the world a better place and she wanted to know the people she met along the way. Although the life and career of CAPT Stratton were nothing short of extraordinary, there's another side—a personal side—to her legacy that was equally important to those of us who were lucky enough to know her.

I first learned of this military icon when I was in boot camp at Cape May, NJ, in 1985. At that time, I knew little of her life or her Coast Guard career; but I did know that she was one of the women who paved the way for me to serve my country.

That brief introduction sparked my interest in the SPARs and the woman who led them. Over the next couple of years, I learned about many of the things that made CAPT Stratton a remarkable leader. Born in rural Brookfield, MO, in 1899; CAPT Stratton earned her bachelor's degree the same year women got the vote. Ambitious and brilliant, she pressed on in pursuit of advanced degrees at a time when a college education was anything but fashionable for women. In 1933, with a doctorate in hand, she became Purdue University's first dean of women and an associate professor of psychology. During her tenure, the enrollment of women increased from 500 to more than 1,400, three women's residents' halls were built and a liberal science program for women was inaugurated.

In the early 1940s, when our nation was confronted with the reality of another world war, she answered her country's call to serve. A woman trustee at Purdue told her, "Dorothy you can't afford to do this," and she replied, "I can't afford not to." In 1942, she joined the WAVES and within months of receiving her commission, she was summoned to Washington, DC. She was sworn

in as the first director of the newly created Coast Guard Women's Reserve, making her the first woman in Coast Guard history to serve as an officer. At her urging, the Coast Guard adopted a name for the members of the Women's Reserve—SPARs—from the service's Latin motto and its English translation, *Semper Paratus, Always Ready*. During her four years as SPAR director, she led a force of 10,000 enlisted women and 1,000 women officers. At war's end, the SPARs were demobilized and CAPT Stratton was awarded the Legion of Merit for her service.

Though her military career ended in 1946, CAPT Stratton's service to the nation and the community continued. From 1946-50, she served as director of personnel for the International Monetary Fund; and, in 1950, she became the national executive director of the Girl Scouts of America, a position she held until 1960.

Another 27 years would pass before I would know CAPT Stratton and it was worth the wait. In the mid-1980s, during preparations for a SPAR reunion in New London, CT, I contacted her to coordinate the temporary loan of her SPAR uniform

for display. Any nervousness I felt before talking with this Coast Guard legend soon vanished when we began to chat like we were old friends.

We stayed in touch long after that SPAR reunion, much to my surprise. After all, I was 65 years her junior and served four decades after she had left the Coast Guard; but CAPT Stratton chose to invest her time, to invest herself in a young Coast Guard seaman. Humble and always interested in others, CAPT Stratton spoke little of her own life. She wanted to know about mine, how I was doing, how I balanced work and marriage, and what the Coast Guard was like for young women of my era. Our phone calls soon turned into letters that followed me through every promotion and PCS move. A prolific letter writer, CAPT Stratton spoke freely of her thoughts on life, the military, women and current events. I will always remember her keen mind and her quick wit, as well as her love of life and the service in which she served so briefly. I met

my friend in person only once, when I attended the 50th anniversary of the establishment of the SPARs in 1992. It was good to finally put a face to a name; and our letters continued.

Within a few years, I left the Coast Guard and CAPT Stratton encouraged me to welcome the challenges ahead. Just as she had during my Coast Guard years, she encouraged me to reach beyond everything I thought possible for my life. I remember her saying, "You have much to do in this life, Robbie. Do it all."

After I left the service, our letters continued and now they must end. I don't claim to have known her well. Just knowing her as I did was enough. From her, I learned this: It's important to remember those who came before us for they are our history; and it's vital to look ahead to those that follow us for they are key to leaving the world a better place. Indeed, she did much to earn the distinctions as a pioneer and a legend, but I will most remember the gift of her time, as

this was her personal legacy to me. I think she would have wanted it this way.

CAPT Stratton, your Coast Guard will never forget you—Semper Paratus.

Fair winds and following seas my friend,

Robbie Fee-Thomson

Public Affairs Specialist First Class,
USCG, 1985-1994

On Oct. 1, national ensigns flew at half-mast at Coast Guard units around the globe, to honor the legacy of CAPT Stratton. That day, she was buried near her long-time home in W. Lafayette, IN, in a private family service. Donations may be made to your favorite charity in CAPT Stratton's memory. Donations may also be made to the Dorothy C. Stratton NROTC Scholarship Fund, c/o the Purdue University Foundation, Schleman Hall, Room 204, 4755 Stadium Mall DR, West Lafayette, IN 47907. Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, DC, is planning a memorial service for CAPT Stratton in the coming months.



SILVER TAPS



Please send all WN member Silver Taps information to Executive Secretary, Gloria Galati (address on page 2)

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Gone, but not forgotten!

WAVES National Ship's Store - (Prices effective 1 Dec 2006)

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Item Description</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Total</u>
_____	Golf Shirt w/embroidered WN logo (Circle color & size)	\$22.00	_____
	Navy White SM MED LG XL 2X 3X 4X		
_____	Sweatshirt , Navy w/WN logo (Circle size) SM MED LG XL	\$20.00	_____
_____	Cardigan Sweatshirt, Navy button-up w/embroidered WN logo (One size)	\$25.00	_____
_____	Jacket/Windbreaker w/embroidered WN logo (Circle color & size)	\$25.00	_____
	Navy White (No 2X, 3X or 4X in White) SM MED LG XL 2X 3X 4X		
_____	T-Shirt , Navy w/white screened WN logo (Circle size) SM MED LG XL 2X 3X	\$10.00	_____
_____	NEW!! Apron/Bib style, Navy w/white screened WN Logo (Adjustable neck) NEW!!	\$10.00	_____
_____	Necktie , USN Women's (Black w/Velcro closure)	\$8.00	_____
_____	Ballcap , Navy w/Embroidered WN logo (Soft style and adjustable)	\$10.00	_____
_____	Patch (Enter Qty each) ___WAVES National ___Navy ___Marine ___Coast Guard	\$3.00	_____
_____	Bear (Enter Qty each) ___Navy ___Marine ___Coast Guard	\$5.00	_____
_____	Hat Pin, "Original" WAVES w/Anchor & Prop	\$10.00	_____
_____	Hat Pin, USN (Spread eagle w/USN)	\$3.00	_____
_____	Lapel Pin (Enter Qty each) ___WAVES National ___Navy ___Marine ___Coast Guard	\$4.00	_____
_____	Earrings w/enamel WN logo (Pierced only)	\$12.00	_____
_____	Charm w/enamel WN logo	\$7.00	_____
_____	Name Badge w/enamel WN logo & clutch back: PLEASE PRINT	\$12.00	_____
	Name _____ (Nickname/Maiden) _____		
	USN USCG USMC Years/From _____ To _____ WN Unit & # _____		
_____	Officers Pin w/enamel WN logo & clutch back: PLEASE PRINT	\$9.00	_____
	Name _____ Office Held _____		
	Years Office was Held: From _____ To _____ WN Unit & # _____		
_____	Songbook: "Songs WAVES Sing"	\$3.00	_____
_____	Songbook: "Bainbridge Bootcamp Songs"	\$3.00	_____
_____	Letterhead w/WN logo (20 sheets)	\$3.00	_____
_____	Notes , Single-fold w/WN logo (10 notes w/envelopes)	\$3.00	_____
_____	Decal , WN logo (Blue & Gold) for cars, etc.	\$1.00	_____
_____	License Plate Frame (Top: WAVES National, bottom: Women of the Sea Services)	\$2.00	_____
_____	Luggage Tag White plastic w/Navy WN logo	\$2.00	_____
_____	Magnet , Flat 2" circle. White w/Navy WN logo.	\$1.00	_____
_____	Eyeglass Lanyard , Navy w/WAVES National & Women of the Seas Services in white	\$1.00	_____

BELOW ITEMS ARE DISCONTINUED- LIMITED QUANTITIES & SELLING OUT FAST!! **Orig. Price** **Sale**

_____	Golf Shirt w/25th Anniversary Logo (Circle color & size)	\$25.00	\$10.00	_____
	Navy White SM MED XL			
_____	Lapel Pin , Philadelphia 2004 Convention w/25th Anniversary Logo	\$3.50	\$1.00	_____
_____	Magnet , Ceramic with 25th Anniversary Logo	\$3.25	\$1.00	_____
_____	Coaster , Ceramic with 25th Anniversary Logo	\$2.50	\$1.00	_____
_____	Nightlight with 25th Anniversary Logo Round or Square (Circle style)	\$2.25	\$1.00	_____
_____	Patch , Philadelphia 2004 Convention w/25th Anniversary Logo	\$2.50	\$1.00	_____

Enter MERCHANDISE TOTAL from attached Order Form here _____

Enter Applicable Shipping & Handling Charges. _____

TOTAL _____

SHIPPING & HANDLING CHARGES

0 to \$10.00 = \$4.00 \$11.00 to \$25.00 = \$8.00 \$26.00 to \$49.00 = \$10.00 \$50.00 and above = FREE!

NO phone or e-mail orders accepted. Personal check or Money Order ONLY.

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

PLEASE MAKE CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO: "WAVES NATIONAL SHIP'S STORE"

& Mail payment with form to: Patty Jo Parks, 6920 Sawtooth Drive, Ooltewah, TN 37363-6894

Questions??? Call: (423) 326-0839 or e-mail: waves.shipstore@yahoo.com

NOTE: WHITE CAPS not having correct addresses will not be forwarded, and are destroyed at the local Post Office. Only the address label is returned to the Executive Secretary, and WN has to pay postage due at 50¢ per label returned. If possible, please send the address change form in 60 days before moving. Thank you.

MEMBERS: If you are going to be traveling from time to time, why not send **Pat** \$3.00 to have your WHITE CAPS sent first class mail. This way, you will never have to miss an issue.

ADDRESS CHANGE FORM

OLD: (Paste WHITE CAPS label here)

NEW ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE # () _____
area code (Check here if unlisted)

EFFECTIVE DATE: _____

Mail to: **Gloria Galati**, Executive Secretary,
 16547 So. Red Rock Drive, Strongsville, OH 44136

MEMBER-AT-LARGE MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

(Dues period 1 January to 31 December)

Please type, print, or use address label Date _____

Name _____ Member ID # _____

Address _____ (Find on WHITE CAPS address label)

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone Number () _____ (Check here if unlisted)

Check # _____ Dues for 1 year are **\$15.00** Check Amount: _____

Please enclose a check or money order for **\$15.00** for dues for one year, made payable to WAVES National, and submit with this form to the **National Treasurer, Pat Childers, PO Box 53201, Fayetteville, NC 28305**

New members use WN membership application only.

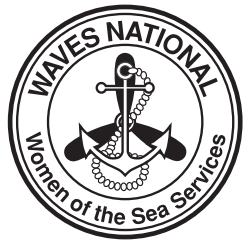
The Life Membership rates are as follows:

17-25 years - \$315	36-40 years - \$235	51-55 years - \$185	66-70 years - \$120	81-85 years - \$65
26-30 years - \$300	41-45 years - \$220	56-60 years - \$165	71-75 years - \$100	86 and older - \$60
31-35 years - \$250	46-50 years - \$200	61-65 years - \$145	76-80 years - \$80	

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