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Subject: PHMRON TWO DECOMMISSIONING//

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SUBJ/PHMRON TWO DECOMMISSIONING//

- 1. FOR MORE THAN A DECADE, PHM SAILORS HAVE REMAINED EVER VIGILANT AND READY TO DEFEND OUR NATION AND OUR NATIONAL INTERESTS. FROM HAWAII, TO THE CARIBBEAN, TO NOVA SCOTIA, PHMS HAVE NEVER BEEN RELUCTANT TO "FLY" IN HARM'S WAY AND HAVE CARRIED OUR FLAG PROUDLY WHILE PROJECTING AMERICAN POWER IN THE DEFENSE OF DEMOCRACY.
 - 2. IN THE COURSE OF OPERATIONAL EMPLOYMENTS COVERING PERIODS OF BOTH PEACE AND HOSTILITIES, FROM PARTICIPATION IN OPERATION URGENT FURY TO AGRESSOR TRAINING FOR OUR MIDDLE EAST DEPLOYERS, PHMS HAVE PLAYED
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- MANY VITAL ROLES. OVER THE LAST TEN YEARS, THEY HAVE SET AN ADMIRABLE RECORD IN COUNTER DRUG OPERATIONS, SEIZING OVER 220 THOUSAND POUNDS OF MARIJUANA AND 11 THOUSAND POUNDS OF COCAINE. THESE SHIPS, REPRESENTING ABOUT 3 PERCENT OF THE SURFACE NAVY, HAVE ACCOUNTED FOR OVER 28 PERCENT OF ALL SURFACE NAVY-ASSISTED DRUG SEIZURES. YOUR IMAGINATION, DETERMINATION AND PRIDE HAVE MAINTAINED YOUR SHIPS AS WELL-HONED, HIGHLY VISIBLE AND EFFECTIVE MEANS OF PROJECTING NATIONAL POWER.
 - 3. THE DECOMMISSIONING OF ANY U.S. WARSHIP IS A SAD OCCASION FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE FAITHFULLY SERVED HER. THE FINAL DAYS ABOARD AND THE DECK LOG ENTRY TO SECURE THE LAST WATCH HAVE A SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE ONLY UNDERSTOOD BY THE DECOMMISSIONING CREW. THE PHMS WILL NO LONGER BE IN SERVICE BUT THEY WILL LIVE ON IN THE MEMORIES OF THOSE WHO TOOK THE BATTLE TO THE ENEMY AT FOILBORNE SPEED.
 - 4. TO THOSE OFFICERS AND MEN WHO WALK THE PHM DE-CKS FOR THE LAST TIME AND PARTICIPATE IN THE DECOMMISSIONING CEREMONIES OF THE "FLYING GRAY TERRORS," YOU BROUGHT A NEW DIMENSION TO SURFACE WARFARE AND HAVE SERVED YOUR COUNTRY WELL. YOU HAVE GIVEN THESE PROUD SHIPS A SPECIAL, HONORED PLACE IN OUR NAVY'S HISTORY.
 - 5. LAND THE SHIP! WELL DONE AND GODSPEED.//

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THE DECOMMISSIONING CEREMONY

The decommissioning of any U.S. warship is a sad occasion for all those who have faithfully served in her. It is a dedication to the operational success of the ship and the men who sailed in her. This solemn ceremony is the point where the commissioning pennant, ensign and jack are hauled down and the watch is secured for the last time. Although the ship is no longer in service, part of her will live on in the experiences of her crew members, past and present.

THE COMMISSIONING PENNANT



The origin of the commissioning pennant is to date to the 17th century when the Dutch were fighting the English. Admiral Tromp hoisted a broom at his masthead to indicate his intention to sweep the English from the sea. The gesture was soon answered by the English admiral who hoisted a horsewhip, to indicate his intention to chastise the Dutch. The British carried out their boast and ever since, the narrow, or coachwhip pennant (symbolizing the original horsewhip) has been the distinctive mark of the ship of war and has been adopted by all nations.

SHIP'S CHARACTERISTICS

	Feet	Meters
Length, overall	132.9	40.5
Beam.	28.2	8.6
Draft		
Hullborne (Foils Retracted).....	7.5	2.3
Hullborne (Foils Extended).	23.3	7.1
Foillborne (nominal).	8.3	2.5
Displacement	24 1.3 Tons	
Speed		
Hullborne	11 .0 Knots	
Foillborne	in excess of 40 Knots	
Propulsion		
Hullborne.....	2 MTU Diesels with water-jets	
Foillborne	1 LM2500 Gas Turbine with water-jet	
Armament	8 Harpoon Missiles	
	1 Oto Melara MK 75 76 mm Gun	
Complement	5 Officers, 20 Enlisted	

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Former Commanding Officers Arrive

Official Party Arrives *

National Anthem *

Invocation *

Welcome and Introduction of Guest Speaker

Captain Roger L. BUSCHMANN, USN
Commander, Patrol Combatant Missile Hydrofoil Squadron TWO

Guest Speaker

Admiral Henry H. MAUZ, USN
Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet

DECOMMISSIONING OF SHIPS

USS PEGASUS (PHM 1)

Lieutenant Commander Douglas E. LEMASTERS, USN

USS HERCULES (PHM 2)

Lieutenant Commander Patrick E. ALLEN, USN

USS TAURUS (PHM 3)

Lieutenant Commander Stephen F. ALLOR, USNR

USS AQUILA (PHM 4)

Lieutenant Commander Jeffrey E. KLINE, USN

USS ARIES (PHM 5)

Lieutenant Commander John W. RILEY III, USN

USS GEMINI (PHM 6)

Lieutenant Commander John K. JONES, USN

Benediction *

Official Party Departs *

*** Guests will please stand**



Henry H. Mauz, Jr
Admiral, United States Navy
Commander in Chief
U. S . Atlantic Fleet

Admiral Mauz was born in Lynchburg, Virginia and grew up in Denver, Colorado. He attended the U. S. Naval Academy and graduated with the class of 1959. Early operational assignments included First Lieutenant in USS JOHN BOLE (DD 755), Staff Operations Officer of Destroyer Division 172, Operations Officer in USS BLUE (DD 744), and Officer in Charge of River Section 543, where he operated patrol boats in Viet Nam.

Admiral Mauz's first command tour was in USS PRIME (MSO 466) from 1967 until 1969. Then, after attending the Air Command and Staff College, he served as Executive Officer of USS SAMPSON (DDG 10). Subsequently, he commanded USS SEMMES (DDG 18), where he deployed with NATO's Standing Naval Force Atlantic.

In 1974, he served on the staff of the United States Mission to NATO in Brussels, Belgium. Following this tour, Admiral Mauz attended the Naval Command College, which is the international course at the U.S. Naval War College. He was then assigned to the Strategy and Concepts Branch in the Office of Chief of Naval Operations from 1977 until 1980.

Admiral Mauz commanded USS ENGLAND (CG 22) from 1980-82, deployed to the Western Pacific and Indian Ocean with the USS RANGER Battle Group. He then served as Chief of Staff for Commander, Carrier Group ONE, and deployed with the USS CORAL SEA Battle Group.

After selection to flag rank in 1983, Admiral Mauz reported to the: Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe in Casteau, Belgium as Chief, Operations and Readiness Branch. Subsequent flag tours included command of Cruiser-Destroyer Group TWELVE, homeported in **Mayport**, Florida. In this assignment he also served as Commander of the USS AMERICA (CV 66) Battle Group and Commander, Battle Force SIXTH FLEET during combat operations in the Mediterranean in 1986. He next served as Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations and Plans, U.S. Pacific Fleet in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. From October 1988 until December 1990, Admiral Mauz served as Commander, Seventh Fleet. Additionally, from August 1990 until relieved in December 1990, he served as Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Central Command **onboard** his **flagship**, USS BLUE RIDGE (LCC 19) in the Persian Gulf. From January 1991 to June 1992, Admiral Mauz served in Washington, D.C. as the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Navy Program Planning (OP-08).

Admiral Mauz wears the Distinguished Service Medal with three gold stars in lieu of subsequent awards, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star with Combat "V", the Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy Achievement Medal with two gold stars and various unit and campaign awards. He holds a post-graduate degree in Electrical Engineering and a Masters in Business Administration.

Admiral Mauz is married to the former Peggy **O'Neill** of Fresno, California. They have four children; Sheila, David, Lynn and Daniel, all of whom live in California.



J. Paul Reason
Vice Admiral, United States Navy
Commander, Naval Surface Force
U.S. Atlantic Fleet

Vice Admiral Paul Reason was born and reared in Washington, D.C. He began naval service after graduating from the U.S. Naval Academy with the Class of 1965.

Prior to being trained in nuclear propulsion engineering, he served as Operations Officer in the destroyer escort USS J.D. BLACKWOOD (DE 219). Upon completion of training, he was assigned duties in the nuclear powered guided missile cruiser USS TRUXTUN (CGN 35) and participated in the ship's first deployment to Southeast Asia in 1968. In 1970 he earned a M.S. degree in the management of computer systems from the United States Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, California.

Joining the nuclear powered aircraft carrier USS ENTERPRISE (CVN 65) as Electrical Officer in 1971, he deployed twice to the Southeast Asia and Indian Ocean areas. After service as Combat Systems Officer, again in TRUXTUN, Vice Admiral Reason became the Surface Nuclear Assignment Officer at the Bureau of Naval Personnel.

In late 1976, he was assigned as Naval Aide to the President of the United States. He served as aide to President Jimmy Carter until mid-1979. Subsequent duties include Executive Officer of the nuclear powered guided missile cruiser USS MISSISSIPPI (CGN 40); Commanding Officer of the guided missile destroyer USS COONTZ (DDG 40); and Commanding Officer of the nuclear powered guided missile cruiser USS BAINBRIDGE (CGN 25).

From 1986 through 1988, he was Commander, Naval Base Seattle, and was responsible for all naval activities in Washington, Oregon and Alaska.

Prior to assuming his duties as Commander, Naval Surface Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, VADM Reason commanded Cruiser-Destroyer Group ONE. Concurrently, he led Battle Group ROMEO through operations in the Pacific and Indian Ocean regions and the Persian Gulf.

VADM Reason's awards include the Legion of Merit, Navy Commendation Medal and the Republic of Vietnam Honor Medal. He also wears the Navy Unit Commendation, Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation, Navy "E" , National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon, Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citation, and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal.

VADM Reason and his wife, Dianne, reside in Norfolk, Va. They have a daughter, Rebecca, and a son, Joseph.



Roger L. Buschmann
Captain, United States Navy
Commander, Patrol Combatant Missile Hydrofoil
Squadron TWO

A Yuba City, California native and 1972 graduate of California State University, Sacramento, Captain Buschmann received his commission through Officer Candidate School. His first assignment was as Assistant CIC Officer in USS LITTLE ROCK (CLG 4). In August 1974, he reported to USS ENGLAND (CG 22) as CIC and Operations Officer. In June 1976, Captain Buschmann received orders to Fleet Training Group, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, where he served as Navigation/Ship Control Instructor and Training Liaison Officer. Upon graduation from Surface Warfare Officer Department Head School in 1978, Captain Buschmann spent consecutive sea tours as Operations Officer in USS NICHOLSON (DD 982), and then as Executive Officer in USS TAURUS (PHM 3) from 1981 to 1983. A two year assignment as Executive Officer, Navy Recruiting District, Albany followed. Returning to sea in November 1985, Captain Buschmann served as Executive Officer in USS WAINWRIGHT (CG 28) through September 1987. He then reported to Commanding Officer, Navy Recruiting District, Little Rock, where he served from November 1987 through December 1989. Captain Buschmann commanded USS JOHN A. MOORE (FFG 19), homeported in Long Beach, California from July 1990 to May 1992. Captain Buschmann assumed command of Patrol Combatant Missile (Hydrofoil) Squadron TWO in July 1992.

Captain Buschmann's personal awards include the Meritorious Service Medal (two gold stars), Navy Commendation Medal (two gold stars) and the Navy Achievement Medal, in addition to various service medals and unit awards.



Command at Sea

“Only a seaman realizes to what great extent an entire ship reflects the personality and ability of one individual: her Commanding Officer. To a **landsman** this is not understandable and sometimes it is even difficult for us to comprehend, but it is so.

A ship at sea is a different world in herself and in consideration of the protracted and distant operations of the fleet units the Navy must place great power, responsibility and trust in the hands of those leaders chosen for command.

In each ship there is one man who, in the hour of emergency or peril at sea can turn to no other man. There is one who alone is ultimately responsible for the safe navigation, engineering performance, warfighting capabilities and morale of the ship. He is the Commanding Officer. He is the ship!

This is the most difficult and demanding assignment in the Navy. There is not an instant during his tour as Commanding Officer that he can escape the grasp of command responsibility. His privileges in view of his obligations are almost ludicrously small; nevertheless this is the spur which has given the Navy its great leaders.

It is a duty which most richly deserves the highest, time-honored title of the seafaring words.. . CAPTAIN. "

Author-Joseph Conrad

PEGASUS CLASS

PATROL COMBATANT MISSILE HYDROFOIL

Built by
BOEING AEROSPACE COMPANY
MARINE SYSTEMS DIVISION
Renton, Washington

	USS PEGASUS (PHM 1)	USS HERCULES (PHM 2)
Keel Laid	09 May 73	12 Sep 80
Launched.	09 Nov 74	13 Apr 82
Commissioned . .	09 Jul 77	15 Jan 83
Sponsor.	Mrs Juanita Potter	Mrs Sarah Bateman

	USS TAURUS (PHM 3)	USS AQUILA (PHM 4)
Keel Laid	30 Jan 79	10 Ju179
Launched.	09 May 81	16 Sep 81
Commissioned. .	10 Oct 81	26 Jun 82
Sponsor.	Mrs Suzanne Kane	Mrs John D. Bulkeley

	USS ARIES (PHM 5)	USS GEMINI (PHM 6)
Keel Laid	07 Jan 80	07 Jan 80
Launched	05 Nov 81	17 Feb 82
Commissioned.	18 Sep 82	13 Nov 82
Sponsor.	Mrs Earl B. Fowler Mrs Mary Ellen Hanley	Mrs Barry K. Atkins



USS PEGASUS (PHM 1) was launched on 09 November 1974, in Seattle, Washington as the lead ship in a new class of U.S. Navy hydrofoil. PEGASUS proved the utility of hydrofoil technology in a combatant application, and did so effectively during her 19 years of service.

Since her 09 July 77 commissioning, PEGASUS has compiled an impressive list of accomplishments, the most notable listed below:

- * on 09 November 74, Boeing Marine Systems launched the hydrofoil Dauphine in Seattle, Washington. The prototype hydrofoil underwent extensive testing and research by Boeing and the Navy. Design improvements on follow-up hydrofoils were directly attributed to the Dauphine
- * on 09 July 77, the Dauphine was commissioned as the USS PEGASUS (PHM 1), becoming the newest missile equipped ship in the fleet
- * PEGASUS set the world record for fastest transit of the Panama Canal, Her 14 June 79 transit was completed in 2 hours and 41 minutes, easily surpassing the average time of 8 to 10 hours. This impressive record still stands today, 14 years later
- * PEGASUS set the precedent for PHMRON TWO's employment in counter-narcotics operations, becoming the first PHM in history to pursue, intercept and seize a high-speed, drug-laden vessel
- * deployed from Key West as part of UNITAS XXIX. The ship and crew performed flawlessly throughout the deployment, receiving praise and admiration from many foreign dignitaries, including the Columbian Defense Minister and Joint Chiefs of Staff
- * completed her final full year in commission, winning the Battle "E" for overall excellence in calendar year 1992
- * completed 19 years of dedicated service, making 3,181 foilborne flights covering 4,517 hours



Lieutenant Commander
DOUGLAS E. LEMASTERS
United States Navy
Commanding Officer
USS PEGASUS (PHM 1)

Lieutenant Commander LeMasters was born in Sauk Centre, Minnesota. Raised as a Navy dependent, he lived at Naval facilities as varied as Guantanamo Bay, Cuba and Keflavik, Iceland. LCDR LeMasters received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Asbury College in 1975 and, upon completion of Officer Candidate School in Newport, Rhode Island, received a commission in the United States Naval Reserve in November 1981.

Upon commissioning, LCDR LeMasters reported to USS KIRK (FF 1087) homeported in Yokosuka, Japan. In KIRK, he held billets as First Lieutenant, Main Propulsion Assistant and Damage Control Assistant. During this tour, KIRK operated with Battle Group ALFA and deployed to the Indian Ocean. In October 1985, LCDR LeMasters was assigned to USS DOYLE (FFG 39) as Combat Information Center Officer. DOYLE conducted a single deployment to the Mediterranean Sea. Following his division officer tours, he reported to the U.S. Naval Academy where he served as 24th Company Officer.

Following graduation from Surface Warfare Department Head School in June 1990, LCDR LeMasters served in USS FLATLEY (FFG 21) as Engineer Officer. His next assignment was as Executive Officer in USS PEGASUS (PHM 1). In July 1993 he was assigned as Commanding Officer, USS PEGASUS.

LCDR LeMasters' awards include the Navy Commendation Medal, the Navy Achievement Medal and various service medals and unit awards.

LCDR LeMasters is married to the former Jeannette L. Padgett of Felda, Florida, and has two children, Eric and Elise.

USS PEGASUS (PHM 1) COMMANDING OFFICERS



LCDR William J. ERICKSON	Jul 77 - Jul 79
LCDR Charles W. PENQUE	Jul 79 - Aug 79
LCDR Glenn F. GOTTSCHALK	Aug 79 - Nov 79
LCDR James W. ORVIS	Nov '79 - Jun 81
LCDR Thomas H. BERNS	Jun 81 - Jul 83
LCDR Drew W. BEASLEY	Jul 83 - Oct 85
LCDR Robert C. HOLT	Oct 85 - Jan 88
LCDR Michael C. BECK	Jan 88 - Oct 89
LCDR Martin A. DRAKE	Oct 88 - Oct 91
LCDR William F. LARSON	Oct 91 - Jul 93
LCDR Douglas E. LEMASTERS	Jul 93 - Jul 93



USS PEGASUS (PHM 1)
"FIRST AND FINEST"

USS PEGASUS (PHM 1) OFFICERS



LT Eric Holland
Combat Systems Officer



LT Thomas E. Runyan
Engineer Officer



ENS John J. Butts
Damage Control Assistant



USS PEGASUS (PHM 1) SHIP'S COMPANY



GMG1(SW) J. W. Lamm
OS1 S. J. Novell
QM1(SW) S. F. Scavone

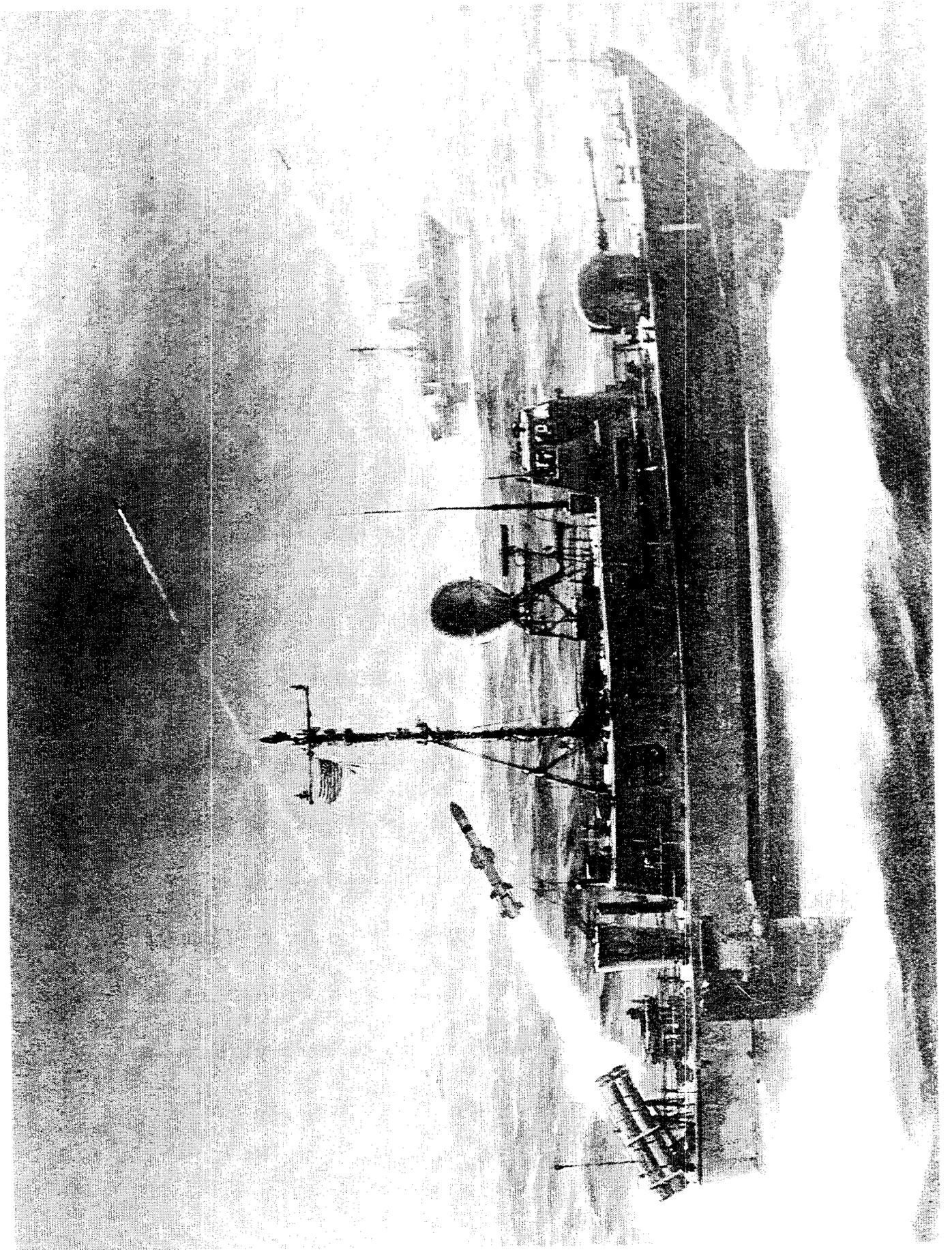


GSMC(SW) J. T. Morgan
GSE2(SW) J. M. Nixon
RM2 A. L. Larson



BM1(SW) J. M. Manian







USS HERCULES (PHM 2) was launched on April 13, 1982 in Seattle, Washington as the sixth and last patrol hydrofoil missile (PHM) designed and built by Boeing Marine Systems. HERCULES has additional modifications and improvements not incorporated in the previous five.

Since her January 15, 1983 commissioning, USS HERCULES has compiled many notable achievements which include:

- * first PHM to conduct a live Harpoon missile shot and did so with the proficiency to score a direct hit
- * first PHM to act as plane guard, did so for USS AMERICA (CV 66) during Operation OCEAN VENTURE '84
- * participated in **UNITAS XXV** during which HERCULES was the first PHM to conduct foilborne NGFS
- * participated in **SPORE TAILGATE** Law Enforcement Operation in 1984, during which HERCULES scored her first two drug busts
- * acted as rapid delivery vessel for Gas Turbine Cooling Fan for USS **KIDD** (DDG 993;)
- * rescued 56 Cuban refugees and brought them to safety between July 92 and March 93
- * made more individual drug seizures (12) than any other surface ship in the U.S. **Navy**
- * earned two Joint Meritorious Unit Awards, two Coast Guard Unit Commendations, two Coast Guard Meritorious Unit Commendations and three Coast Guard Special Operations Service Ribbons
- * awarded Battle "E" in 1988 and 1992



**Lieutenant Commander
PATRICK E. ALLEN**
United States Navy
Commanding Officer
USS HERCULES (E'HM 2)

Lieutenant Commander Allen was commissioned an ensign in the United States Navy at Officer Candidate School, Newport, Rhode Island in September 1979. He had previously completed six years of enlisted United States Naval Service which included earning a Bachelor of Science degree from **LaRoche** College, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in June 1979.

LCDR **Allen** reported to the destroyer MOOSBRUGGER (DD 980) in October 1979 where he served as Auxiliaries/Electrical Officer and later as Main Propulsion Assistant. In December 1982 he was assigned to the staff of Commander, Destroyer Squadron SIX as Squadron Engineer. After completing Surface Warfare Officer Department Head School in May 1985, LCDR Allen reported to the pre-commissioning crew of the Aegis guided missile cruiser BUNKER HILL (CG 52) as Engineer Officer. During this tour, which lasted until September 1989, BUNKER HILL completed construction in Pascagoula, Mississippi, reported to the initial **homeport** of San Diego, California and subsequently shifted **homeport** to Yokosuka, Japan in August 1988. LCDR Allen's next tour was as a student in the Naval Command and Staff Course of the United States Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island. During this tour, he earned a Master of Science Degree from Salve Regina University as well as a Master of Arts Degree from the Naval War College. LCDR Allen was most recently assigned as Budget Chief in the Directorate for Information and Resource Management of the Joint Staff in Washington, DC where he served from November 1990 until September 1992.

LCDR Allen's decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy Commendation Medal with gold star, the Navy Achievement Medal with gold star as well as other campaign and service awards.

LCDR Allen is married to the former Karen A. **Yerkins** of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and has two children, **Tracey** and Richard.

USS HERCULES (PHM 2) COMMANDING OFFICERS



LCDR Thomas C. CORCORAN
LCDR Jeffrey A. HUTCHISON
LCDR Larry R. SIMMONS
LCDR Robert S. WARNER
LCDR John W. PETERSON
LCDR Patrick E. ALLEN

Jan 83 - Jan 85
Jan 85 - Jan 87
Jan. 87 - Apr 89
Apr-r 89 - Jun 91
Jun 91 - Mar 93
Mar 93 - Jul 93



USS HERCULES (PHM 2)
"STRONG AND SWIFT"

USS HERCULES (PHM 2) OFFICERS



LCDR L. W. Vandonslear
Executive Officer



LT J. D. Whitlock
Engineer Officer



LT D. J. Wears
Combat Systems Officer



ENS R. N. Podiak
Communications Officer



USS HERCULES (PHM 2) SHIP'S COMPANY



FCC(SW) J. O. Daugherty
GSMC(SW) A. F. Algarin
BM1(SW) D. R. Anderson



OS1(SW) M. E. Asa
ET1(SW) L. A. Jackson
QM1(SW) G. L. LaCourse



OS1(SW) J. M. Melton
GMG1(SW) J. R. Reeves
IC1(SW) M. R. Vereen



USS HERCULES (PHM 2) SHIP'S COMPANY



EW1(SW) G. W. Watkins
EN1(SW) G. F. Moeschke
MS2(SW) R. Gibson

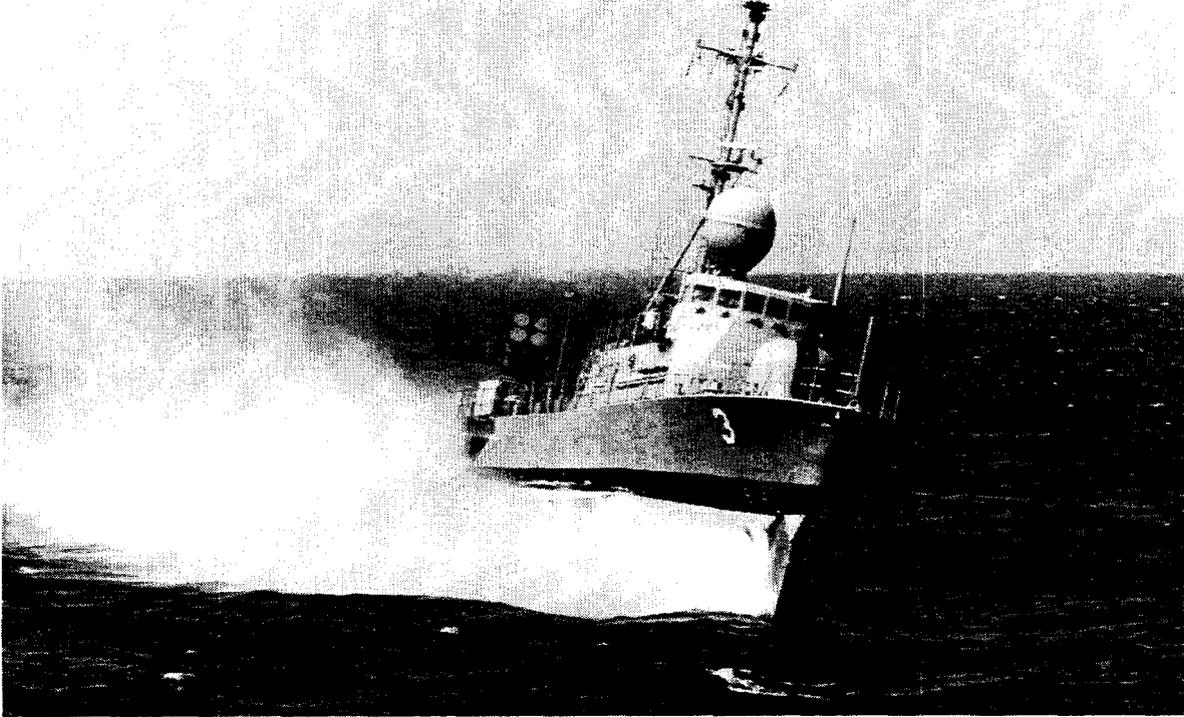


IC2(SW) R. D. Hughes
FC2(SW) D. R. Lloyd
GSE3 M. N. Quirion



EN2(SW) J. S. Reed
GSM2(SW) D. A. Tesch
RM2 S. A. Watson





USS TAURUS (PHM 3) was launched on 09 November 1981 in Seattle, Washington as the first of the improved-PEGASUS Class of U.S. Navy Hydrofoils. The changes incorporated were identified and developed based on a two year period of test and evaluation of USS PEGASUS.

Since her 10 October 1981 commissioning, USS TAURUS has compiled an impressive list of accomplishments including the following:

- * conducted a 44 day operation in support of U.S. action in Grenada
- * participated in the 1983 World's Fair in New Orleans, Louisiana
- * hosted U.S. Vice President George Bush during visit to Miami, Florida
- * seized 500 kilograms of cocaine during 1986 Law Enforcement Operations
- * conducted USNA staff/midshipman orientation cruise during Graduation Week
- * participated in **UNITAS XXVII**
- * in November 1989, rescued five crewmembers from a downed U.S. Customs Service helicopter
- * made three separate narcotics seizures during 1990 Law Enforcement Operations, resulting in the confiscation of 2900 kilograms of cocaine
- * conducted 40 day unsupported mini-deployment in mid-1991
- * made a seizure of 700 kilograms of cocaine during 1992 operation



**Lieutenant Commander
STEPHEN F. ALLOR**
United States Naval Reserve
Commanding Officer
USS TAURUS (PHM 3)

Lieutenant Commander **Allor**, a 1981 graduate of the University of Maryland, University College, was born in Indianapolis, Indiana and is the son of Mr. and Mrs Joseph V. **Allor** of Upper Marlboro, Maryland. He received his commission through the Officer Candidate School in Newport, Rhode Island in October 1981. Following commissioning, LCDR **Allor** first served as the Electrical Officer, followed by Damage Control Assistant , NTDS Maintenance Officer and Nav/Admin Officer in USS WAINWRIGHT (CG 28) from October 1981 to June 1986, completing one Indian Ocean and two Mediterranean Sea deployments.

In June 1986, LCDR **Allor** reported to Naval Reserve Readiness Command, Region EIGHT, Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Florida, where he served as both the Ashore and Afloat Program Manager.

After graduation from Department Head School in December 1989, LCDR **Allor** reported to USS CLARK (FFG 11) homeported in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the Engineer Officer. In November 1991, he reported to USS TAURUS (PHM 3) as the Executive Officer, during which he qualified for Command at Sea. LCDR **Allor** assumed command of USS TAURUS on 15 April 1993.

In addition to various unit awards, LCDR **Allor** is decorated with two Navy Commendation Medals, two Navy Achievement Medals, a Naval Reserve Meritorious Service Medal, and three Sea Service awards.

LCDR **Allor** is married to the former Barbara M. Shea of District Heights, Maryland. They have three children; James, Angela and **Michele**.

USS TAURUS (PHM 3) COMMANDING OFFICERS



LCDR W. Scott SLOCUM
CDR R. S. MOORE, Jr.
LCDR Vincent P. MOCINI
LCDR Andrew J. PITTS
LCDR P. H. GREENE
LCDR L. W. DODSON
LCDR S. F. ALLOR

Oct 81 - Jul 83
Jul 83 - Jul 85
Jul 85 - Aug 87
Aug 87 - Jul 89
Jul 89 - Jul 89
Jun. 91 - Apr 93
Apr 93 - Jul 93



USS TAURUS (PHM 3)
"AD ASTRA"

USS TAURUS (PHM 3) OFFICERS



LT W. F. Hesse
Executive Officer



LTJG M.J. Bushman
Combat Systems Officer



USS TAURUS (PHM 3) SHIP'S COMPANY



GSMC(SW) B. Westerman
FC1(SW) M. A. Adams
MS1 D. E. Alford



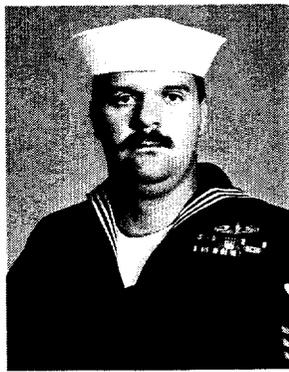
RM1(SW) P. J. Cochrane
IC1(SW) S. F. Blease
OS1(SW) J. W. Buffalo



GSE1(SW) S. Fullington
EN1 C. J. Jones
RM1 N. R. Michon



USS TAURUS (PHM 3) SHIP'S COMPANY



IC1(SW) A. Smith
GMG1(SW) G. A. Stafford
BM1(SW) B. Stahl

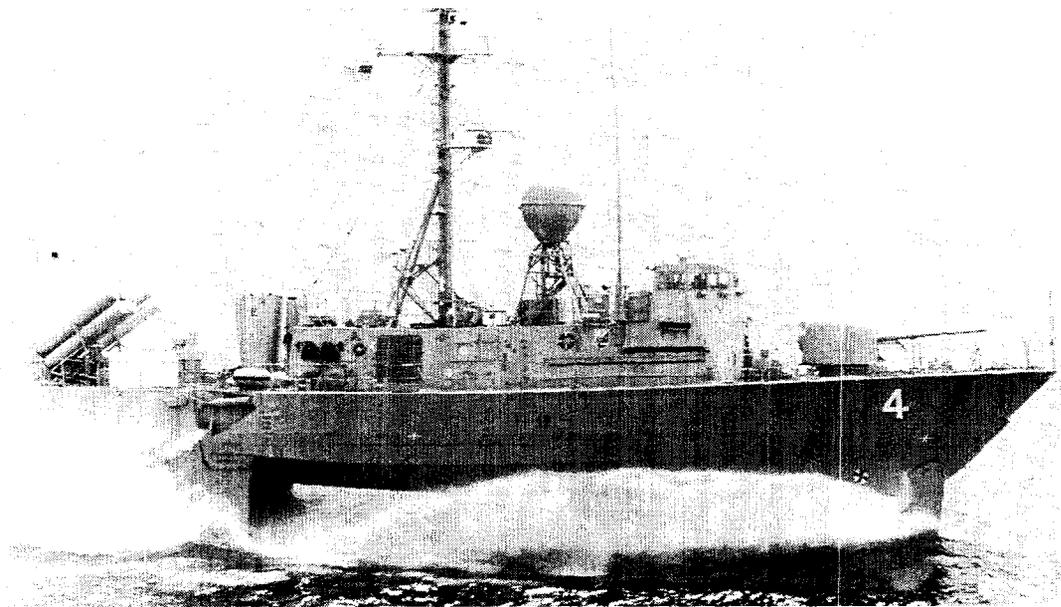


OS2(SW) A. R. Omar
FC3 J. L. Dickey
EN3 R. E. Graba



GSEFN R. Schlotterbeck





USS AQUILA (PHM 4) was launched on 16 September 1981 in Seattle, Washington as the third of six ships of the PEGASUS Class of U.S. Navy **Hydrofoils**. A storied history continued in 1992 as AQUILA was returned to operational service following an extended shipyard period repairing significant damage sustained in a foillbome collision with a whale.

Since her 06 June 1982 commissioning, AQUILA has had many significant accomplishments, the most noteworthy of which include:

- * participated in 1983 operations in Grenada, patrolling coastal waters for an extended period in an escort/surveillance role
- * visited Pictou, Nova Scotia, Canada in July 1989. The entire transit from Key West, Florida was made in 5 days. This visit marked the furthest north any U.S. Navy Hydrofoil has ever operated
- * participated in 1990's Operation SOLID SHIELD, a pre-Desert Shield/Desert Storm work up for Persian Gulf deployers. During the exercise, AQUILA made many realistic foillbome "attacks" on Blue forces, providing valuable and realistic training for units participating in those operations
- * completed the first Propulsion Light-Off Examination conducted in a hydrofoil in the past 5 years. This was also the first examination given under the consolidated guidance of both CINCLANT and CINCPACFLT
- * During a June 1992 Law Enforcement patrol, AQUILA rescued 30 Cuban refugees from 2 different boats, delivering them safely to Key West. In the course of 12 hours, AQUILA was required to transit in excess of **200NM**, rescuing refugees from east of Cay Sal Bank to west of the Dry Tortugas
- * served as OTC for the entire squadron during the Hurricane ANDREW evasion sortie. This sortie marked the first time that the squadron had conducted underway operations as a unit
- * in September 1992, AQUILA pioneered the concept of independent, extended operations in the Yucatan Channel region. These operations continued through the second quarter of FY 93, with AQUILA concluding the operation with the last and most fruitful patrol, a 5000 pound marijuana seizure



Lieutenant Commander
JEFFREY E. KLINE
United States Navy
Commanding Officer
USS AQUILA (PHM 4)

Lieutenant Commander Kline was born in Kiowa, Kansas, the son of Colonel Robert W. Kline and Genie (Hart) Kline, USAF (Retired). He attended the University of Missouri School of Engineering, graduating cum laude with honors in Industrial Engineering and received his commission through the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps program in 1979.

His first sea tour was aboard USS MOOSBRUGGER (DD 980) where he served as Gunnery Officer and Navigator. LCDR Kline's following sea tours included assignments as Propulsion Officer in the Engineering Department of USS RANGER (CV 61), Combat Systems Officer in USS JOHN L. HALL (FFG 32), and Material and Operations Officer for Tactical Destroyer Squadron THREE-TWO.

His shore duties have been with the U.S. Marine Corps' Landing Force Training Command, Pacific, where he served as an instructor in Naval Gunfire and Supporting Arms, and as a student at the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California. While in Monterey, he received a master's degree in Operations Research and was awarded the Chief of Naval Operations Award for Excellence in Operations Analysis.

LCDR Kline's service awards include three Navy Commendation Medals and two Navy Achievement Medals, as well as Sea Service and various unit awards.

LCDR Kline is married to the former Donna Elizabeth Skaggs of Fredricktown, Missouri. They have two children, Aaron and Julianne.

**USS AQUILA (PHM 4)
COMMANDING OFFICERS**



LCDR David M. LEE	Jun 82 - Jul 84
CDR Thomas F. HARTRICK	Jul 84 - Oct 86
LCDR Marvin E. BUTCHER	Oct 86 - Dec 88
LCDR John W. MICKELSON	Dec 88 - Dec 90
LCDR William E. LANDAY III	Dec 90 - Oct 92
LCDR Jeffrey E. KLINE	Oct 92 - Jul 93



USS AQUILA (PHM 4)
"PARATUS PULSARE"

USS AQUILA (PHM 4) OFFICERS



LCDR S. L. Richter
Executive Officer



LT D. C. Borah
Engineer Officer



LTJG M. R. Delao
Combat Systems Officer



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GSCS(SW) C. M. Scordos
MSC C. A. Collette
OS1(SW) P. J. Anderson



RM1(SW) B. P. Bertsch
EN1 M. D. Boyle
BM1 M. A. Castleberry



FC1(SW) R. L. Madson
GMG1(SW) M. A. Vogelmeier
EW1(SW) D. L. Williams



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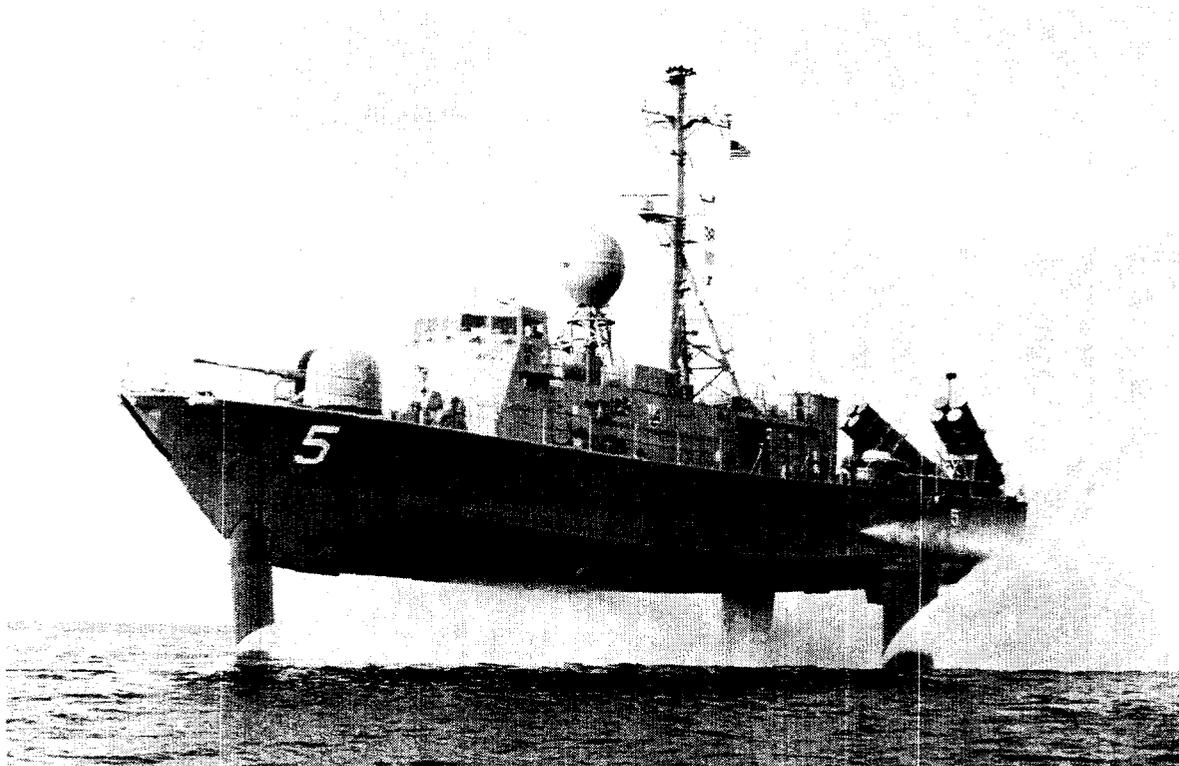


GSM 1 (SW) W. Wisniewski
FC2 R. J. Atkinson
IC2 P. W. Price



IC3 D. M. Burback
GSE3 P. W. Hanna





USS ARIES (PHM 5) was launched on 05 November 1981 in Seattle, Washington as the fourth in the Navy's class of hydrofoils. During her nearly 12 years of commissioned service, ARIES has logged many impressive accomplishments including:

- * conducted over 5000 hours of foilborne operation, tracking over 200,000 nautical miles. During her history, ARIES conducted over 70 underway replenishments, fired over 2000 rounds of 76mm ammunition and launched over 50 RBOC rounds
- * participated in over 40 major U.S. fleet exercises and numerous multi-national fleet operations. ARIES has escorted amphibious units, worked special operations with Navy Special Warfare (SEAL) Teams, simulated long-range surface missile engagements in coordination with E-2C HAWKEYES, AWAC's and LAMPS MK III. ARIES was the first hydrofoil deployed to Grenadan waters during 1983 U.S. operations in that region
- * in CNOP's and LEOP's, ARIES worked with U.S. Coast Guard, Drug Enforcement Agency and joint service personnel in effectively interdicting and seizing 3 shipments of marijuana (estimated at 18,000lbs) and 2 of cocaine (1000 lbs) to the United States.
- * represented the U.S. Navy during port visits in over 40 different locations, including 23 foreign ports, in both the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, as well as the Caribbean Sea. ARIES performed hundreds of foilborne demonstrations for **American** and foreign dignitaries to include Prince Albert of Monaco, the CNO of the Navy of the People's Republic of China, CINC, U.S. Southern Command, Chairman of the Venezuelan Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the U.S. Chairman of the Joint Staff and his official party
- * ARIES scored the first overall "above average" in the Atlantic Fleet for an OPPE, as well as having the first "no-notice" OPPE in the fleet. Additionally, ARIES compiled the highest combined Refresher Training score from FTC **Guantanamo** Bay, Cuba
- * ARIES has been awarded the Joint Meritorious Unit Commendation, the Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation, the U.S. Coast Guard Meritorious Unit Commendation, Battle Efficiency "E" (two awards), the Support of Service Riblbon and the National Defense Medal



**Lieutenant Commander
JOHN W. RILEY III**
United States Navy
Commanding Officer
USS ARIES (PHM 5:)

Lieutenant Commander Riley was born in Great Falls, Montana, and is the son of Colonel William H. Riley, USAF (Retired) and the late Charlotte Krause Riley of Panama City, Florida. Being an Air Force dependent, he moved frequently and was predominantly raised in Panama City, Florida, Colorado Springs, Colorado and Syracuse, New York. He is a 1980 graduate of Tulane University and received his commission the same year via the Naval ROTC program.

Following commissioning, LCDR Riley served as Main Propulsion Assistant and then as Navigator in USS COOK (FF 1083) **from** February 1981 until November 1983. Desiring to return to sea, he volunteered for a principal assistant billet on a cruiser and subsequently served as Combat Information Officer in USS GRIDLEY (CG 21) from March 1984 through October 1985. Upon graduation from Surface Warfare Department Head School in May 1986, he was assigned as Operations Officer in USS MERRILL (DD 976). In February 1988, LCDR Riley reported as Operations Officer in USS HORNE (CG 30) and served in that billet until April 1990. From 1990 until March 1992 he attended Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California and earned a Masters Degree in Telecommunications Systems Management.

In addition to various service and unit awards, LCDR Riley has been awarded the Navy Commendation Medal (two gold stars in lieu of second and third awards) and the Navy Achievement Medal.

He is married to the former Maria Pilar Torres, originally from Mexico City, Mexico. They have two children, Cristina and William Travis.

**USS ARIES (PHM 5)
COMMANDING OFFICERS**



LCDR Carl E. WEISCOFF
LCDR Douglas W. KIETH
LCDR Jacob L. SHUFORD
LCDR Leendert R. **HERING**
LCDR Roger J. HIGGINS
LCDR Christopher T. NICHOLS
LCDR John W. RILEY III

Sep 81 - **Oct 84**
Oct 84 - Nov 86
Nov 86 - Jan 89
Jan 89 - **Dec 90**
Dec 90 - May 91
May 91 - Jan 93
Jan 93 - Jul 93



USS ARIES (PHM 5)
“DETERMINED AND DEADLY”

USS ARIES (PHM 5) OFFICERS



LT R. J. D. Stevens
Executive Officer



LT R. P. Saunders
Engineer Officer



LT J. K. Blalock
Combat Systems Officer



LTJG P. M. Webber
Communications Officer



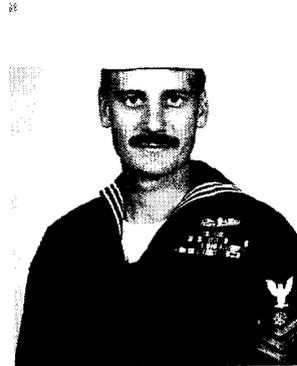
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GSMC(SW) D. S. Sherman
OSC(SW) D. D. Dulmage
GMG1 K. L. Fragodt



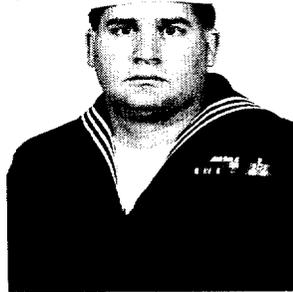
BMI(SW) T. D. Goodloe
EN1(SW) C. D. Griffith
RM1 W. E. Heckathorn



MS1(SW) R. Hurley
FC1(SW) J. M. Jones
QMI(SW) W. J. Powell



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EW1(SW) G. J. Sammarco
IC2(SW) S. A. Greene
GSE2(SW) W. McKenzie



RM2(SW) V. M. Morris
FC2(SW) V. L. Nightingale
IC2 M. S. Ploszaj



EN3 L. D. Matthews
GSEFN S. F. Lyons
GSEFN R. Renteria





USS GEMINI (PHM 6) was launched on 17 February 1982 in Seattle, Washington as the fifth U.S. Navy Hydrofoil. After commissioning, GEMINI departed Puget Sound Naval Shipyard on 20 January 1983, arriving in her new **homeport** of Key West, Florida 19 February 1983.

Since her 13 November 1982 commissioning, GEMINI has served with dedication and honor, compiling many achievements, the most notable of which are listed below:

- * participated in Ocean Venture '84, GEMINI's first ever fleet exercise, and at that time, established a record for the longest PHM deployment away from **homeport** without a logistics support group
- * in 1985, GEMINI participated in UNITAS XXVI where she **acted** as the principal foe to Venezuelan, Colombian and U.S. naval units
- * later in 1985, GEMINI performed an at-sea rescue, saving five sailors from their sinking sailboat, safely transporting them to shore
- * participated in FLEETEX 2-86 and 3-86 as well as Ocean Venture '86 where she proved her effectiveness as a "pouncer", intercepting vessels that had slipped through other ship's patrol sectors
- * during an April 1987 Law Enforcement patrol, GEMINI seized two vessels, capturing 500 lbs of cocaine and 2000 lbs of marijuana. Four people were arrested in these seizures
- * hosted the Secretary of the Navy and Commander, Joint Task Force FOUR, providing an underway demonstration in coordination with another **hydrofoil** and U.S. Customs Service pursuit boats
- * hosted Commander, U.S. Central Command, Sheik Mohammed Bin Zayed, Deputy Chief of Staff, United Arab Emirates Armed Forces during a July 1992 visit
- * seized the fishing vessel OJALA and captured over 500 kilograms of cocaine. Three people were arrested during this September 1992 Law **Enforcement** action
- * earned two Joint Unit Meritorious Awards, one Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation, one Coast Guard Meritorious Unit Commendation, two Coast Guard Meritorious Unit Commendations, one Battle "E", one Coast **Guard** Special Operations ribbon and one Sea Service Award



Lieutenant Commander
JOHN K. JONES
United States Navy
Commanding Officer
USS GEMINI (PHM 6)

Lieutenant Commander Jones was born in Birmingham, Alabama. He was graduated from Florida State University, attended Officer Candidate School in Newport, Rhode Island, and was commissioned an Ensign on 20 November 1982.

His first sea assignment was aboard the frigate USS **BOWEN** (FF 1079), homeported in Charleston, South Carolina. In **BOWEN**, he served as Fire Control/Gunnery Officer and a follow on assignment as Combat Information Center Officer. In 1985, he reported as commissioning Anti-Submarine Warfare Officer in USS SIMPSON (FFG 56).

In 1987, LCDR Jones reported to Commander, Patrol Wings Atlantic as Surface Warfare Coordinator, developing combined arms tactics and doctrine for joint ASW and ASUW operations.

Returning to sea in 1990, LCDR Jones was assigned as Combat Systems Officer in USS BOONE (FFG 28), followed by assignment as Executive Officer in USS GEMINI (PHM 6).

LCDR Jones is married to the former Marie Class of San Juan, Puerto Rico. They have two sons, Christopher and Brian.

USS GEMINI (PHM 6) COMMANDING OFFICERS



LCDR David R. CARLSON	Nov 82 - Jul 84
LCDR Jeffrey A. HUTCHISON	Jul 84 - Aug 84
CDR Stephen D. SITLER	Aug 84 - Aug 86
LCDR Bernard J. McCULLOUGH II	Aug 86 - Aug 88
LCDR Kristopher D. KIRK	Aug 88 - Sep 90
LCDR David J. ALAND	Sep 90 - Mar 92
LCDR Robert M. WALL	Mar 92 - Jul 93
LCDR John K. JONES	Jul 93 - Jul 93



USS GEMINI (PHM 6)
“DONE SWIFTLY, DONE WELL”

USS GEMINI (PHM 6) OFFICERS



LT W. B. Glenn
Engineer Officer



LT F. M. Baysic
Combat Systems Officer



J. W. Averill
Communications Officer



GSMC(SW) B. C. Klenke
Command Chief



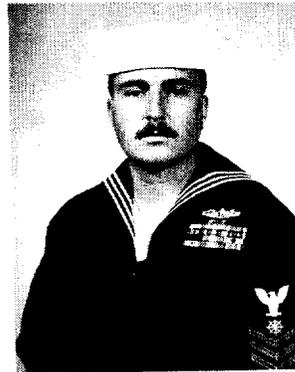
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ENC(SW) J. D. Warner
GMG1(SW) W. L. Boknevit
MS1(SW) J.W.E. Cephas



EW1 D. G. Coleman
OS1 (AW) R. T. Dixon
GSE1(SW) R. E. Hooper



FC1(SW) K. G. Hufnagle
BM1 C.W. King
QM1(SW) S. C. Lindquist



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OS1 J. H. Price
RM1 J. W. Staley
GSMI(SW) K. L. Wall



ET1 D. M. Wood
GSE2 G. E. Cressman
FC2(SW) S. A. Davis



IC2 J. D. Green
EN3(SW) D. E. Aspleaf
IC3 B. S. Elliot



NAVY HYMN

Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep,
O hear us when we cry to thee,
For those in peril on the sea!

O Christ! Whose voice the water heard
And hushed their raging at thy word,
Who walkedst on the foaming deep,
And calm amidst its rage did sleep,
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea!