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From The President

Dear SUNY Maritime Nation

I am honored to serve as your president here at the State University of New York Maritime College.

On August 31, 2011, in a truly memorable and beautiful invocation ceremony held in the historic St. Mary’s Pentagon, Fort Schuyler, I was sworn in as SUNY Maritime College’s 10th president. Standing before SUNY Chancellor Nancy Zimpher, SUNY Board of Trustees Chairman Carl Hayden, Vice Admiral John W. Craine, Jr., USN (Ret.), SUNY Maritime’s 9th president, as well as leaders from MARAD, our New York State Assembly and Senate, Maritime alumni, Cadets, students, faculty and staff, as well as my own family and friends, I was struck by the great history that is the foundation of this educational institution. Yet, at the same time, it was also a moment to look ahead to envision the great future for SUNY Maritime College. A great many opportunities lie ahead. New partnerships with businesses, both here and abroad, as well as new public-private partnerships yet to be explored, here in New York City, New York State, in our great nation and beyond. Together, we will find many new avenues of growth and chart an exciting new path as Maritime College begins a new chapter.

I thank all the students, faculty and staff as well as our alumni and friends from the maritime industry and beyond who have made me feel so welcome in my first few months at SUNY Maritime and in my new home of New York City. A lifelong Yankees fan, it was great to arrive in the Bronx at the close of the season.

I am encouraged by the tremendous dedication and commitment to this college that is shown by the alumni, faculty, staff and students. We began the new 2011-2012 academic year with our highest enrollment ever. We are living through challenging, yet exciting times. By working together to develop a strategic approach to growth and development, we will accomplish great things.

Before coming to Maritime, I concluded a very rewarding 34-year career with the United States Navy. I firmly believe that the College is poised to make an even greater impact on the world. We are engaged in a number of strategic projects that will pay dividends on behalf of not only SUNY Maritime, but for the greater maritime industry. This will mean jobs and innovation. In the coming months, the new academic building will begin to take shape and I look forward to meeting you at industry events as well as on visits to your communities.

What an exciting time it is to be part of the SUNY Maritime Nation.

Respectfully,

Wendi B. Carpenter
Rear Admiral, USN (Ret.)
President
SUNY Maritime College

Fall/Winter 2012
SUNY Maritime College Welcomes 10th President

Rear Admiral Wendi B. Carpenter, USN, (Ret.)

On August 31, 2011, Rear Admiral Wendi B. Carpenter, USN (Ret.) became the 10th President of SUNY Maritime College and the first woman to serve as President of the College, during a “Change of Office” ceremony in the historic Fort Schuyler, St. Mary’s Pentagon.

State University of New York Chancellor Nancy Zimpher addressed the audience and praised the new SUNY Maritime College President for her leadership and distinguished Naval career. She also thanked Vice Admiral John W. Craine, Jr. USN (Ret.), for his service to SUNY Maritime College and to the State University of New York.

During the ceremony, SUNY Board of Trustees Chairman Carl Hayden spoke about Maritime’s great traditions, 137-year history and the strength of the college’s graduates. He offered warm thanks to Admiral Craine and spoke of Admiral Carpenter’s leadership and abilities that will benefit the College for many years to come. U.S. Maritime Administration (MARAD) Chief Council Denise Krepp also addressed the audience and presented Admiral Craine with a special award from MARAD.

In addition to the formal Change of Office ceremonies, Captain Richard Smith, ‘81, formally inducted 338 first-year members of the regiment, from the Class of 2015 into the regiment.

Speaking before the audience of close to 1,000 Cadets, Maritime College students, SUNY leadership, faculty, staff, alumni and friends of the College, Admiral Carpenter spoke of the future and preparing the College, Maritime’s students, faculty and staff for the challenges ahead.

Captain Thomas Greene, USN (Ret.), Vice President of University Relations and Deputy Commandant of Cadets, was Master of Ceremonies, Dr. Maryellen Keefe, SUNY Maritime Humanities professor, gave the invocation and benediction. Among those in attendance for the historic event were Eunice Lewin and Tina Good, SUNY Board of Trustees; Timothea Larr, SUNY Maritime College Council Chair and College Council members: Thomas Magliocca, William Garry, Mark Brosnan and Joseph Conway; RADM Mark Buzby, Commander, Military Sealift Command (MSC); RADM Gerry Achenbach, Superintendent, Great Lakes Military Academy; RADM Floyd Miller and RADM David Brown, both former presidents, SUNY Maritime College.
A Maritime saluted two of our graduates, Mark Barker, ’94, president, The Interlake Steamship Company, Cleveland, OH, and Thomas Merrell, ’77, president, General Dynamics, American Overseas Marine (AMSEA), Quincy, MA, as well as The BLT Chembulk Group, Southport, CT, at the 2011 Admiral’s Scholarship Dinner, held in Vander Clute Hall on May 3, 2011.

The event raised more than $554,000 for the Admiral’s Scholarship Fund. Gary Jobson, ’73, ESPN Sailing Analyst and president, US Sailing, broadcaster/producer, lecturer, writer and former All-American collegiate sailor, who won the America’s Cup in 1977 as tactician for Ted Turner, served as Master of Ceremonies and official auctioneer for the evening.

In accepting his award, honoree Mark Barker recalled his student days as a Maritime Cadet and the training that he received in the classroom and on the Empire State VI and how well it prepared him to take on the duties of president of The Interlake Steamship Company. As one of the leading shipping firms in the Great Lakes, The Interlake Steamship Company operates nine Great Lakes self-unloading bulkers.
throughout the Great Lakes and delivers more than 20 million tons of iron ore, coal and stone annually. A member of the Maritime College sailing team, Mark remains an avid sailor. He also holds an MBA from Case Western Reserve University – Weatherhead School of Management, serves on the Board of Moran Towing Corporation and sits on the Council of the American Bureau of Shipping. He is also on the board of the Great Lakes Historical Society and Great Lakes Science Center.

Captain Thom Merrell, ’77, president of General Dynamics, American Overseas Marine (AMSEA) in Quincy, MA, also attributed his education as a Cadet in the classroom, on Summer Sea Terms as well as on the football team, as defining years in his life. Serving as Captain of the Privateer football team, Thom noted that it was here that he honed his leadership skills and began to build a foundation that would serve him well in the course of his tremendously successful career. After his graduation from Maritime, he sailed as Ship’s Deck Officer and Captain for eight years prior to joining AMSEA in 1984. AMSEA operates and manages Maritime Prepositioning Ships (MPS) and Large Medium Speed Roll on/ Roll Off (LMSR) ships for the U. S. Military Sealift Command. Thom holds master’s degrees in management as well as a master’s degree in Secondary Math and Science Education. A retired Lieutenant from the U. S. Naval Reserves, he is affiliated with numerous professional and charitable maritime organizations.

BLT Chembulk Group CEO Jack Noonan accepted the honor on behalf of the company, headquartered in Southport, CT. He was joined by Fred DeNegris, ’79, Chembulk Operations Manager, who also spoke about his Maritime education and the ties that bind him to his alma mater. Also on hand to celebrate Chembulk’s award were eight other SUNY Maritime graduates who are all Chembulk employees.
The Maritime Culture Club held a special salute to Black History Month during the group’s annual dinner, held in the Special Events Room.

The New York Blood Center paid special tribute to SUNY Maritime College at their annual appreciation breakfast, held at the Bronx Zoo on March 18th. Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr., presented Maritime Cadets James Spear, Stephanie Cavalieri and Arthur Seaman with a certificate for Maritime.

Following a great SUNY Maritime tradition, after receiving their college rings, 2/C Cadets celebrated at the annual Ring Dance. The formal event was held at TOSCA, on East Tremont Avenue. Admiral and Mrs. Craine congratulated each cadet and Mrs. Craine dipped the ring into the “water of the seven seas,” depicting the travels that a merchant mariner makes over the course of their career.

In April, former New York City Mayor David N. Dinkins visited Maritime and met with students and SUNY Maritime President Admiral Craine, Captain Thomas Greene, Vice President of University Relations and Deputy Commandant of Cadets and Dr. Joseph Hoffman, ’75, Maritime Provost. As Professor in the Practice of Public Affairs at the Columbia University School of Public Affairs (SIPA), Mayor Dinkins serves on the SIPA Advisory Board and hosts its Annual Dinkins Leadership & Public Policy Forum. The David N. Dinkins Professorship in the Practice of Urban and Public Affairs was established at Columbia University in 2003.

Maritime students rolled up their sleeves and donated more than 300 pints of blood during the Spring 2011 semester.
On May 6, 2011, under a beautiful blue sky, 366 members of the graduating class of 2011 joined the ranks of SUNY Maritime alumni during commencement exercises in the historic St. Mary’s Pentagon, Fort Schuyler. Vice Admiral Craine, SUNY Maritime College President, addressed the graduates and spoke of the exciting future and opportunities that lie before them.

The ceremony marked Admiral Craine’s last commencement as President of SUNY Maritime College. Eric Mittermeier of Pomona, New York, and Shayna Michaels of Farmingville, New York, received the Chancellor’s Award for Student Excellence medal in recognition of academic excellence and accomplishments in the areas of leadership, athletics, community service, creative and performing arts, or career achievement. The average grade point average (GPA) for all recipients of the Chancellor’s Award for Student Excellence was 3.8 for the 2010-2011 academic year.

Class Valedictorian Franklin Lynam graduated with a 4.0 grade point average and a Bachelor of Engineering in Electrical Engineering. Benjamin Mooney was Class Salutatorian. He completed his college career with a 3.9 grade point average and received a Bachelors of Engineering in Mechanical Engineering.

Chancellor’s Excellence Awards for Faculty/Staff were presented to John Mathieson, Professor of Engineering for Teaching; Richard (Bud) Meade, Acting Director of Human Resource Services, for Professional Services and to Joseph Mazzella of Facilities, for Classified Service.

Maritime College Provost, Dr. Joseph Hoffman, ’75, and Admiral Craine conferred degrees for Masters of Science in International Transportation Management; Bachelor of Engineering: Electrical; Facilities Engineering, Marine Electronics and Electrical Systems; Marine Engineering; Marine Engineering Electrical; Marine Engineering Mechanical; Mechanical Engineering and Naval Architecture. Bachelor of Science: Facilities Engineering; International Transportation and Trade; Marine Environmental Science; Marine Operations; Marine Transportation; General Marine Business and Commerce with Humanities Study Area Concentration and Maritime Studies. Degrees were also conferred for the Associate in Applied Science, Marine Technology Small Vessel Operations.

SUNY Maritime College Cadet bagpiper Brendan Ross, the SUNY Maritime College Chorale and the SUNY Maritime College Band provided musical accompaniment for the morning commencement exercises.
SUNY Maritime Naval ROTC, now with nearly 200 Midshipmen, Marines, and Sailors in its ranks, had a fantastic 2010-2011 academic year with several particularly noteworthy events. The Spring 2011 commissioning ceremony introduced 31 Navy Ensigns and 7 Marine Corps Second Lieutenants to the service of their country from both Maritime and Fordham University. The unit also was proud to claim another class valedictorian. It was the unit’s largest commissioning event to date and the ceremony occurred on a bright, sunny day on the football field overlooking the Manhattan skyline. Vice Admiral John Craine, Maritime President, was the guest speaker.

For the past several years, Maritime’s NROTC Battalion has consisted of students from SUNY Maritime, Fordham University and Molloy College. However, this past spring, Columbia University approved the return of Naval ROTC to their campus after a 40 year hiatus. With the signing of the agreement between the Secretary of the Navy and Columbia on board the USS IWO JIMA during fleet week, as the only New York City area NROTC unit, this responsibility and privilege falls to the Maritime College unit. In the Spring of 2011, Midshipmen from Columbia University will contribute their leadership and abilities to the ranks of the NROTC Battalion. This is an exciting development and will allow for a wider range of academic experience and diversity within the unit.

In May, the NROTC Unit bade “fair winds and following seas” to Captain James P. Driscoll, USN who retired from the United States Navy after more than 30 years of service to his country. In addition to his four-year tour as Commanding Officer, he also served as Maritime’s cross country coach, and regularly served...
as an announcer for Maritime’s football and basketball games. The Class of 2011 hosted a surprise party for him in recognition of his leadership and positive impact on future Navy and Marine leaders.

In attendance were many of the students he had the pleasure of commanding over the years as well as, faculty, unit staff, and Vice Admiral Craine. Reflecting on his service, Captain Driscoll stated “this was the ideal final command...seeing the progress of all of the Midshipmen, OC’s and Marines has been nothing short of amazing.”

Captain Matthew E. Loughlin arrived as the new Commanding Officer in mid-August, 2011. He is a SUNY New Paltz graduate and was commissioned in the Navy via Officer Candidates School in 1985. He is reporting here after serving as the Commanding Officer for the aegis cruiser USS SHILOH, home ported in Japan. The unit has also welcomed Lieutenant Andrea Benvenuto, the new senior class advisor and staff Surface Warfare Officer. She too arrived from a tour in Japan. She has relieved Lieutenant Alex McMahon who is off to his new duty station at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

During the course of the summer, seven Midshipmen passed their technical interviews in Washington, D.C., to become accepted into the highly competitive Naval Nuclear Power Program as future Submarine and Surface Warfare (N) Officers. The Unit also had five Marine Option Midshipmen complete the grueling Marine Officer Candidate School in Quantico, Virginia.

Finally, one highlight of the academic year was the quality and stature of guest speakers that spoke to the unit which included Marine aviator Lieutenant General Milstead, Navy Vice Admiral Blake, and a senior enlisted symposium consisting of a Marine Sergeant Major and a Navy Command Master Chief. With several major initiatives underway and many more to come, the SUNY Maritime NROTC Battalion continues to be one of the best in the country.
Waterfront Selected as Northeast Powerboat Training Center

US SAILING, the national governing body of the sport, selected SUNY Maritime College as the Northeast Powerboat Training Center in support of Drivers Education for Boaters™. SUNY Maritime is one of only 12 Powerboat Training Centers in the nation. Rob Crafa, Director of Waterfront Programs at Maritime said that the “program serves as a model and resource for sharing best practices with start-up hands-on powerboat training facilities in the New York, New Jersey and Connecticut region.” The development of powerboat training centers is an objective of the Drivers Education for Boaters™, awarded to US SAILING by the U.S. Coast Guard last July.

Former US SAILING President and current Chairman of the National Boating Safety Advisory Council, Jim Muldoon said the training centers will “play a significant part in supporting our educational programs and best practices in general. Our partnership with the U.S. Coast Guard continues to play an important role in the growth of our powerboat programs.” SUNY Maritime’s on-the-water education powerboat instructor and safe powerboat handling courses for beginning boaters and professional mariners included a range of boating safety classes.

SUNY Maritime Takes 2nd Straight Monomoy Cup over King’s Point Marine Society of the City of New York Monomoy Race
2nd Year of Dual Summer Sea Term Sessions

Summer Sea Term I, 2011, began on a beautiful spring day on May 9, 2011, when the Empire State VI left the Maritime campus. Only days after graduation and the end of the spring semester, the Empire State VI was away from its home of Olivet Pier for a total of 90 days – encompassing two separate Summer Sea Terms, in order to accommodate the large number of Cadets. This was the second year that the Regiment, under the direction of Captain Rick Smith, ’81, conducted two Summer Sea Term sessions.

At the close of the first Summer Sea Term session on June 22, students, faculty and staff returned to Kennedy Airport from Shannon Airport, on the West Coast of Ireland. The second Summer Sea Term group of Cadets, faculty and staff then boarded the returning plane the next day at Kennedy and flew to Shannon Airport. They then went on to meet the ship in Cobh, County Cork, Ireland, only a few hours drive away.

Over the course of the summer months, the 17,610-ton, 565-foot ship made ports calls in Alborg, Denmark; Riga, Latvia; Gdynia, Poland; Cobh, Ireland; Rijeka, Croatia; Palma de Mallorca, Spain and Toulon, France. The Empire State VI has a beam of 76-feet and her geared turbine develops 17,250 horsepower and a cruising speed of 22 knots.

During the two summer sea terms, Maritime Cadets took part in marine engineering, communications, seamanship, and also studied onboard, as classes were taught by Maritime faculty.

The ship returned to the Maritime campus on Saturday, August 6. With the sun shining and a warm breeze coming from the water, more than 1,000 family and friends, carrying signs and balloons lined the beach, the roadway as well as the balcony of the “Tiv” as the majestic ship came into sight. Guided into port by two McAlister tugs, the returning 600 SUNY Maritime Cadets, crew, faculty and staff received a tremendously warm welcome as television cameras from WABC-TV (Channel 7 NY News), and Cablevision’s News 12 captured the joyous reunions.
Rifle: The Maritime rifle team won the Mid Atlantic Rifle Conference for the second time in three years.

Swimming: Led by faculty member Mate Pete Vecchio, ’92, the Maritime men’s swimming and diving team won its fourth-straight Skyline Conference Championship in February of 2011. The women also placed fourth at the event.

Basketball: The Maritime basketball team began the season with a memorable come-from-behind 66-65 victory over Kings Point on a three-point buzzer beater. After opening up a 5-2 record, the Privateers hit a rough patch and saw its playoff chances diminish.

Hockey: The hockey team has had the best turnaround of any program at Maritime. Two years ago, the Privateers had an 0-15 record, but in 2010-11, Maritime finished in third place in the Metropolitan Collegiate Hockey Conference and qualified for the playoffs. However, the squad lost in the semi-finals to eventual champions, Wagner.
Maritime Professor Walt Nadolny, ’78, Awarded Research Grant

Largest Monetary Grant to a SUNY Maritime College Faculty Member in History of College

Professor Walt Nadolny, ’78, Vice Chair of the Marine Transportation Department, was awarded a $325,000 grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation for Mariner Environmental Education. It is the largest monetary grant that a SUNY Maritime College faculty member has received in the history of the College.

With the grant, over the course of 18 months, Professor Nadolny will design and implement an educational program to teach mariners aboard United States vessels about the environmental impact of chronic oil pollution. It will also focus on what mariners must do to comply with key environmental laws, and how to report violations to the United States Coast Guard as well as State and Local Environmental enforcement officials. A web site and application for GPS enabled smart phones will be developed that will allow real-time documentation of pollution events. The research will also examine the effects of oil pollution on the coastal waters of New York and New Jersey. Professor Nadolny will document his findings by producing a video that chronicles his work and findings.

A seven-year member of the State University of New York Maritime College Marine Transportation Department, Professor Nadolny is a member of the steering committee of the Environmental Consortium of Hudson Valley Colleges & Universities.

SUNY Maritime Continues to Gain Recognition

PayScale, Inc., the leading online provider of employee compensation data announced their findings for the annual 2010-2011 PayScale College Salary Report and named SUNY Maritime College among the top 20 best-ranked public universities and #5 in the category “10 Best Engineering Colleges by Salary Potential”. This is the first year that SUNY Maritime College has been on the list.

G.I. Jobs, the magazine for men and women who are transitioning from military to civilian life named SUNY Maritime College to the national 2011 Military Friendly Schools list. Maritime was one of 23 SUNY colleges and universities chosen for the honor and one of approximately 1,000 schools selected nationwide. Each year, close to 7,000 colleges, universities and trade schools are reviewed for the “Military Friendly List.”
6th Annual Conference on Cutting Edge Issues in Shipping

GBAT Chairman, Dr. Larry Howard and Professor Jeff Weiss, served as co-chairs of the 6th annual Groundhog Day, Conference on Cutting-Edge Issues in Shipping. Maritime industry professionals as well as Maritime students, faculty and staff filled the lecture hall for the day-long event.

Presentations included:

- Professor Ira Breskin, a 2010 Mystic Seaport Research Fellow - a historical discussion on container ships, dating back to “No Frills Service” in 1818, between China and the US
- “Port Resilience: Issues and Steps Forward” was the topic of M.I.T. Deputy Director, Center for Transportation and Logistics, James B. Rice’s talk
- The Rotterdam Rules – Changes to the Shipper/Carrier Relationship was Professor Jeff Weiss’ topic.
- A special student presentation, nominated by the Society for International Transportation and Trade (SITT) ended the day

SUNY MARITIME TANKER SYMPOSIUM

Tankers were the topic of an evening GBAT symposium on April 14, 2011, in the Maritime Special Events Room. A capacity audience of Maritime students, faculty and maritime industry professionals heard OSG Ship Management’s Director of Chartering, Fred Gordon and Rear Admiral Robert North, USCG (Ret.), ’66, president, North Star Maritime, Inc. discuss the present and future state of the tanker industry.

Admiral North discussed current tanker regulations and their impact on business. OSG is the second largest publicly traded oil tanker company in the world, and is the only major tanker company with a significant U.S. Flag and International Flag fleet. In addition to his work with North Star Maritime, Admiral North is also a member of the board of Genco Shipping & Trading and is the former Captain of the Port of New York. He represented the U.S. many times in a policy-making capacity and led U.S. delegations to meetings of the International Maritime Organization (IMO). In addition to holding a degree in marine engineering from SUNY Maritime College, Admiral North is also a graduate of the U.S. Army War College.
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Class of 1944
Harold Abt wrote that he and his wife Jean celebrated 60 years of marriage in June, 2010.

Class of 1950
Edward K. Arndt, who lives in Vienna, VA, wrote that the Class of 1950 held a 60th reunion at Epcot Center in October, 2010, and 10 classmates attended.

Class of 1971
Daniel Greenberg, Shelton, CT, has been admitted as a Solicitor in England and Wales and received a practicing certificate to its Senior Courts. He has also been admitted as a Solicitor of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court, British Virgin Islands, where he is opening a satellite office of his firm, Greenberg and Co. in Road Town, Tortola where he will concentrate on international commercial matters, international fraud recovery and cross-border insolvency. He may be contacted by email at: dgreenberg@greenbergandco.com.

Class of 1972
Quentin Snediker is director of Mystic Seaport’s shipyard where the 1841 vintage whaling ship, the CHARLES W. MORGAN, is undergoing a high tech survey to guide its restoration to full sailing capability by 2013. An article about the restoration appeared in the August 17, 2010, New York Times: www.nytimes.com/2010/08/17/science/17ship.html

John Weiglhofer published a book entitled, Satan’s Looming Identity Crisis! The Final War in the Age of Reason under his pen-name: I.A. Mallone. A marine-engineer, John sailed with Mobil Oil and worked at the Knoll’s Atomic Power Laboratory Kesselring Site. He retired from General Dynamics, Electric Boat, where he was an engineer in advanced propulsion concepts and developed various US patents in that field. John can be contacted by email at: iamall@sbcglobal.net.

Class of 1974
John Ferriola is president and CEO of Nucor Corporation. He also serves on the company’s board of directors. A Fortune 500 company, Nucor (NYSE:NUE) and affiliates are manufacturers of steel products, with operating facilities primarily in the U.S. and Canada. He is based at Nucor’s Charlotte, NC, offices and is active in the Association for Iron and Steel Technology (AIST). John previously served as COO of Steel Making Operations and returned to Maritime to speak with students in March, 2011.
Class of 1975
Captain Charles Sheahan was a member of the Moran Towing team involved in clean-up efforts in the BP Gulf oil spill. He has been with Moran for four years.

Class of 1977
Luis Burgos was honored by the SUNY Maritime Cultural Club at their annual dinner in February, 2011. He is Project Manager, South East Regional Maintenance Center, Naval Sea Systems Command, based in Jacksonville, FL. A Certified Marine Surveyor with the U.S. Surveyors Association USSA, Luis lives in Jacksonville, FL, with his wife Nancy and two sons.

Wayne Weeks is with the National Weather Service. In addition to his other duties, he conducts annual “train the trainer” sessions for the US Power Squadrons, and has spoken to professional mariners at the International Work Boat Show in New Orleans.

Class of 1979
Brian Dengel works with NJ Senators Menendez and Lautenberg’s staff interviewing prospective cadets and Midshipmen who want to attend the four federal service academies.

Michael K. Clark was appointed Chairman of the Board of Sanswire Corp. The company develops and produces unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV’s) and related technologies. Michael is the former president of the Institutional Products Group at Fidelity Investments and was CEO of JPMorgan Chase’s Worldwide Security Services where he managed more than $15 trillion in assets and 25,000 employees in 26 countries. A Marine Corps veteran, he also has an MBA from New York University.

Class of 1982
Captain Joseph Ahlstrom, USNR, maritime security expert, author and professor at SUNY Maritime, taught maritime security courses in Tanzania and in Trinidad during the summer of 2011 as part of a special US State Department program.

Class of 1983
Michael Haeflich is president of Select Energy, Inc., Berlin, CT.

Luis M. Luis is Lead Structural Engineer and Advisor at Point Engineering Ltd. http://www.pointengineering.com, a Nigerian Oil and Gas Engineering Consultancy in Port Harcourt, Rivers State, Nigeria. Luis has been working in Nigeria since 2006 and enjoys his unconventional life. He also teaches offshore engineering 5-day seminars in the UAE, and is an active member of the U.S. Navy Reserve. He makes his US home in Houston, TX. Contact Luis at luisluis@luis.com.

Class of 1986
Roger Restaino, Group Operations & Regulatory Manager for Stolt Tankers in Norwalk, CT, was a featured speaker at the GBAT Spring Tanker Symposium where he spoke about piracy (two Stolt ships have been hijacked by pirates) and the company’s stainless steel, double-hull cargo tankers. Stolt currently employs 26 SUNY Maritime College alumni. Among their clients are: Chevron, Exxon Mobil and Shell Oil.

Class of 1987
Captain Bruce Fuchs is serving in Afghanistan as a Naval reservist. He and SUNY Maritime College head football coach and Navy Lieutenant Commander Clayton Kendrick-Holmes, USNR served together in Afghanistan while both were on active duty as US Naval Reservists. In his civilian life, Bruce serves as head...
of Modeling & Research RTM & Star in Dania Beach, FL.

NASA Astronaut Scott Kelly launched aboard the Soyuz TMA-M spacecraft in October, 2010 and completed a tour of duty on the International Space Station (ISS). He assumed command of Expedition 26 once the Soyuz TMA-19 undocked on November 24, 2010. After a 5-month stay aboard the ISS, Commander Kelly and two Russian Flight Engineers safely landed their Soyuz spacecraft on the Kazakhstan Steppe on March 16, 2011.

Capt. Timothy J. “Eel” Morey’s change of command and retirement ceremony was held on September 1, 2011, at the Air Test and Evaluation Squadron (VX) 30 Hangar 372, Point Mugu, CA, Naval Test Wing Pacific. NASA astronaut Capt. Scott Kelly, USN, ‘87, was guest speaker. Well-known to the NAWCWD community through his service as the Tomhawk test director within PEO(W) at Patuxent River, MD, he was military director of NAVAIR’s Weapons and Energetics Department and during his last assignment, commanded Naval Test Wing Pacific. A graduate of the SUNY Maritime NROTC Unit, Tim was designated a Naval Aviator, July 1989, Naval Air Station Beeville, Texas and accumulated more than 3,000 hours of flight time in 35 different aircraft. He is a member of the Society of Experimental Test Pilots and serves on the Board of Directors as a Technical Advisor. He also serves on the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics Flight Test Technical Committee.

Class of 1988
Captain Tracy (Braaten) Barkhimer, USN, became Program Manager Air Combat Electronics, PMA-209, following a change of command and retirement ceremony in Patuxent River, MD, June, 2011. Tracy most recently served as Chief of Staff to Program Executive Officer, Air Assault and Special Mission Programs. She and her husband Erik Barkhimer have a 2 and a half year old daughter and are expecting twin boys in November 2011.

Class of 1990
LtCol Jon Hackett retired from the Marine Corps after 20 years. Jon was Maritime College’s first Marine ROTC graduate. He was the Commanding Officer of HML/A-269. Jon is now the UAS Program Manager for MARSOC (United States Marine Corps Forces Special Operations Command). Lila Inman Hackett ‘90, is a math/physics/engineering teacher at Richlands High School where she started the Richlands Engineering Academy, a cohort group for students interested in pursuing engineering after high school. Jon and Lila live in Richlands, NC.

Class of 1991
Tim Claybor is a career placement specialist for the marine engineering industry with Fast Stream Inc. in Fort Lauderdale.

Class of 1993
Elizabeth (Liz) Marx Miller, was sworn in as the first female Full Branch Pilot for the Sandy Hook Pilots Association on February 15, 2011. Liz began her apprenticeship with The Sandy Hook Pilots Association on November 2, 1998 and was licensed as a Deputy Pilot on February 19, 2004. Elizabeth paved the way for other women. Liz is married and has two children and lives on Long Island.

Class of 1996
Captain Chris P. Guilday apprenticed for three years with the Delaware River Pilots and worked on the river as a pilot for 12 years. He is recently married and was a candidate for the Rose Tree Media school board in Pennsylvania.

Michael J. Lavin is “single and living in Baltimore, MD.” He is vice president of the Association of Maryland State Pilots and is a Docking & Bay Pilot “dual qualified.” Michael was with McAllister Towing as a mate, captain, port captain and then vice president from 1996-2000. He has also sailed on the deep sea Alaska tanker company and just after graduation from Maritime, was an officer on the Sequoia presidential yacht.

Class of 1997
Sebastian Sora is a reefer container broker with the G.E. Saco Corporation in Miami, Florida.
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Class of 1998
Paul AmRhein was appointed Vice President of Business Development Strategy Bridge International, Winchester, VA. Paul is responsible for expanding Strategy Bridge’s government and commercial client base, both in domestic and international markets. A Project Management Institute Project Management Professional, Paul is on track for completing his INCOSE Certified Systems Engineering Professional (CSEP). In addition to his BE from Maritime, Paul also holds a Master’s degree in Computer Science and Systems Management from Florida Institute of Technology.

Class of 2000
Paul Kalapodas is a member of the Cambridge Who’s Who for Excellence in Maritime Services. He lives in the Fort Lauderdale area, holds an unlimited USCG Third Mate’s license and sailed with MSC (Military Sealift Command). He has also sailed in the offshore oil industry with Tidewater Marine as a limited tonnage Master in the Gulf of Mexico and West Africa, Angola Luanda and Cabinda, aboard the Platt Tide (Anchor Handling Tug Supply) and Maiden Tide, fast offshore supply vessel. Paul also does work for his father’s company, Logtron Research and Engineering Corp. in new projects development. In 2009, he sailed aboard the Empire State VI as a mate and instructor.

Tim Angerame is director of business development for Utilivisor in New York City and welcomes email at: timothy.angerame@utilivisor.com

Class of 2002
Keith Ermilio married in 2002 and is now the father of three boys between the ages of three and seven. He owns and operates Key Marine, LLC, a mobile marine services company that serves all of the tri-state New York City region. Keith lives in Bloomington, NJ, and can be contacted by email at: kermilio24@aol.com

Class of 2004
Eric Michael is living in Manassas, VA.

Class of 2007
Michael Loeffel, a ship operator at Stolt Tankers, joined Roger Restaino, ’86, in speaking at the SUNY Maritime GBAT Tanker conference this spring.

Class of 2008
Drew Anderson, a naval architect, married Reina Nurnberger at Sacred Heart Church in Island Park, NY. News of their “nautically themed” nuptials and reception held at the Bridgeview Yacht Club where guests signed canoe paddles as a guestbook, appeared in the New York Daily News. The couple live in Maine, where Drew is a Manufacturing Engineer / Planner, DDG1000 Technical Lead at Bath Iron Works.

Justin Miller has become the commercial co-coordinator for the West Coast Industrial Express (WCIE), a joint service operated by Industrial Maritime Carriers and Associated Transport Line. The company provides regular break-bulk and project shipping services between the US Gulf and the West Coast of South America. Justin spent several years working in operational and technical assignments within the Intermarine Americas services. Based in Houston, TX, Justin welcomes emails at: justin@intermarineusa.com

Michelle Morgenstern, a production supervisor at General Dynamics NASSCO sent the photo (pages 18-19) taken in San Diego, CA of Maritime alumni in front of the newly delivered product carrier, the Empire State. The alumni range from 1964-2009! Many thanks to Michelle for this wonderful photo!

Drew Gossoo writes “since graduation, I have sailed on the T.S. Empire State as an instructor and watch standby, on the Gotland Sofia, a 600’ Danish-flagged product tanker, and most recently have completed two trips onboard the USNS Bruce Heezen, of the T-AGS fleet. I have earned my 2/M license, and am currently taking classes as part of my Chief Mate/Master upgrade.”

Lee Paul Shelley is working on the USNS Rainier as a 2nd Assistant Engineer for Military Sealift Command and he “loves his job!”
Class of 2009
Jami-Lyn Butto is working on finishing her Master’s at SUNY Maritime and is an officer in the US Coast Guard. She is stationed on the CGC Gallatin in Charleston, SC.

Class of 2010
Christopher Frarey holds a Bachelor of Engineering in Facilities Engineering and works for the Norfolk Naval Shipyard in Portsmouth, VA. He is in the test engineering and work control division.

Margaret Klimkowski is a Marine Transportation graduate working as a Logistician and Project Manager for a Naval ship repair company where she coordinates with contractors for ship repair to Naval vessels.

Class of 2011
Peter Lamia-Liander is working for Military Sealift Command. His duties involved watch standing, day to day operations and ship maintenance.

Michael Bonanza is a Second Lieutenant in the US Marine Corps. A mechanical engineering major, he hopes to study for a Master’s in Engineering in the near future.

Sandy Campbell, an International Transportation Management graduate is working with Shell Oil Limited...
as a third officer on an LNG ship. She holds a Master’s from Maritime.

**SUNY MARITIME GRADUATE PROGRAM**

**Class of 1979**
Richard DeSimone was appointed president, XL Insurance’s US Ocean and Inland Marine Unit. XL is the global insurance underwriting operation of XL Group. He will work in the New York office and earned his undergraduate degree in Business Administration from Baruch College.

**Class of 2002**
On July 1, 2011, Lieutenant Jerry L Smith Jr. assumed command of the 140-foot U.S. Coast Guard cutter Thunder Bay. He was the author of an article that appeared on April 18, 2011 in ProfessionalMariner.com entitled: *E-Learning and the Adoption of the 2010 Manila Amendments*. Jerry graduated from the University of Delaware, with a degree in geography and earned his master’s degree in International Transportation Management from SUNY Maritime College. He has held an active merchant license for over 10 years.

Senior Awards night is a long-standing Maritime tradition. Each year, on the eve of spring commencement, graduating 1/C Cadets, seniors and graduate students are recognized by corporations, civic groups, faculty and maritime organizations in recognition of outstanding achievements.

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