



# Cape Cod Currents



## Cape Cod Chapter Military Officers Association of America

**MAY 2020 Event – Lunch + Northeast Regional Fisheries Training Center**

with LCDR Christopher A. Bradbury USCG, Commanding Officer

**Tuesday 25 May 21 – 1130 registration; meal 1200**

**Lunch location: USCG Base Cape Cod Falcon Golf Course Clubhouse  
Joint Base Cape Cod – Guenther Road, Buzzards Bay MA 02664 508.968.6453**

**If base access is needed (no military ID), contact Lee Clark – information on page 3**

**Cost: \$25.00/person by May 17 to Sheldon Segerman – see page 6 for reservation form**

entrée choices for buffet meal – (1) scrod or (2) chicken

tossed salad; green beans; chef's choice potato; bread pudding; beverage station; cash bar

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**PICTURES FROM PREVIOUS MAY EVENTS**, all Scholarship Awards luncheons, include (1) 2012, Coonamessett Inn, Falmouth; (2) 2013, Flying Bridge Restaurant, Falmouth; (3) 2014, Coonamessett; (4) 2015, Coonamessett; (5) 2016, Coonamessett, with Len DiLorenzo assisting Savas Hantzes [† 2018] as Marina Hantzes [† 2017] and Sheldon Segerman look on; (6A) 2017, Brookside Club, Bourne [background photo is the Scholarship Fund raffle prize assortment]; (6B) 2017, Chapter President, COL Don Lynde USA, presents one of the four awards to Devon Harris; (7) 2018, Brookside Club, where the Corporal Nicholas Xiarhos Young Marines color guard presented the colors; (8) 2019, Coonamessett Inn.

**25 MAY - OUR RETURN ENGAGEMENT** For this, our first attempt since March of 2020 to hold an event, we will be **masked** upon arrival. Tables will be spaced per Commonwealth directives and accommodate the specified number of participants. Our maximum capacity for the gathering is 50, so please submit reservations in a timely manner.

**POLL NUMBERS** On 11 Mar 21 an email asked that the 101 members who receive electronic communications respond yes or no to holding a May event. Of 58 total replies, 33 said yes, 25, no. Given that spouses and guests attend, the estimated pool of attendees is 47.

### **25 MAY LUNCH & USCG NORTHEAST FISHERIES TRAINING CENTER**



The five **USCG Regional Fisheries Training Centers** (RFTCs) instruct Coast Guard personnel as well as folks from the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and state and federal fish and wildlife agencies in the regulations regarding ocean resources such as fisheries, shrimp, and oysters and in how to conduct operations involved in enforcing those rules. Before 1994 when NRFTC was established, Boston's USCG First District provided training and support to area units. The Northeast Center instructors offer classroom lectures which include learning about everything from the different lengths and weights of fish to different fishing seasons, international agreements, marine protected species, whale entanglements, right whale protection, equipment restrictions, interagency partnerships, and high seas boarding operations. They also oversee the students' practical exercises from learning how to measure fish to learning about inspecting gear designed to minimize destruction of species which are not the intended catch. Class members complete written tests that cover information about laws and regulations, types of vessels, how to use marine measuring tools, and how to identify and preserve the many different species of marine life. After completion of the class, members return to the field to continue the living marine resource mission and the marine environmental protection mission with their units. During operations they conduct boardings using the skills learned as they go about inspecting logbooks, boat rigging, life rafts, emergency signals, and the crew's catch. Enforcement actions include both commercial and sport fishing boats.

The Center's Commanding Officer, **LCDR Christopher A. Bradbury**, earned a BS degree in Developmental and Child Psychology from the University of Maine in 2003. He began his Coast Guard career with enlistment 20 Apr 2004. Following graduation from Boatswains Mate "A" School in 2005, he reported to the Deployable Specialized Forces (DSF) Maritime Safety and Security Team (MSST), Kings Bay GA. There he executed the duties of Tactical Coxswain, Boarding Officer conducting law enforcement, waterside security, and counter narcotics operations throughout the U.S. and abroad.





LCDR Bradbury received his commission at the Coast Guard Academy, New London CT, as a graduate of Officer Candidate School in 2009. He then reported to the DSF's Maritime Security Response Team (MSRT), Chesapeake VA, and served as a Deployable Team Leader and Assault Force Commander executing foreign counter narcotics/piracy and domestic homeland security missions. His law enforcement career continued in 2013 during a staff tour at the Maritime Law Enforcement Academy, Charleston SC, as the Basic Law Enforcement School Chief, managing four Coast Guard law enforcement training programs. He became Chief of Enforcement at USCG Sector, Boston MA, in 2016 where he was responsible for the execution of ports, waterways and coastal security operations, domestic law enforcement, and living marine resources enforcement in an area encompassing waters from the Massachusetts/New Hampshire boarder to Manomet Point, Plymouth MA, and extending out 200 nautical miles.

LCDR Bradbury took command of NRFTC aboard Joint Base Cape Cod in July 2019. There he is responsible for training over 250 students annually, preparing Coast Guard officers in enforcing the fisheries regulations promulgated by NOAA, and ensuring compliance with the Commercial Fishing Industry Vessel Safety Act of 1988 (introduced in Congress by former Cape Cod Representative Gerry Studds [† 2006]).

LCDR Bradbury holds the chair of Treasurer within the New England Chapter of the Coast Guard Tactical Law Enforcement Association (CGTLEA). CGTLEA Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that provides emergency support to seriously injured or killed members and families of the U.S. Coast Guard's Deployable Specialized Forces. The Foundation also supports the dependents of the service's men and women by providing advanced education scholarship grants.

**ACCESS NOTE** Military ID is normally required to enter Joint Base Cape Cod. **Persons with no military ID who are driving an entering vehicle must contact Lee Clark** by 17 May 21 for base entry: email [lee.s.clark@comcast.net](mailto:lee.s.clark@comcast.net) or phone 774-521-3388. Required information on all persons in the vehicle the driver of which has no military ID include (1) last name, (2) legal first name, (3) middle initial, (4) driver license number, (5) state of issue, (6) citizenship, (7) date of birth. Giving this information authorizes base security to do a National Criminal Information Center (NCIC) background check on each person named. Entry for the vehicle must be through the main gate on Connery Avenue. (For drivers with a military ID, passengers must present a form of picture ID - if it is asked of them.)

**IDENTIFIED DONORS** of tax-deductible **Scholarship** Fund donations 01 Apr 20 to 31 Mar 21 include these Chapter and Surviving Spouse members and friends.

Col Charles Aftosmis USAF & Mrs Carol Aftosmis	CDR Lee S Clark USN & Mrs Jackie Clark LTC Brian J Conway USA
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**USAA SCHOLARSHIP SPONSOR** Again in 2021 a \$300 gift came to the Scholarship Fund from USAA by means of the USAA / MOAA Council-Chapter Sponsorship program. We have thanked MOAA for the gift, since USAA turns all funds over to MOAA for decisions and distribution as of this year. Thanks also to all our members who use USAA services.

**IDENTIFIED DONORS** of tax-deductible **Charity** Fund donations 01 Apr 20 to 31 Mar 21 Givers to 2020 Toys for Tots Cape & Islands special donation effort were listed in the March 2021 issue; they are not included here.

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CDR Joseph C Amaral USCG & Mrs JoAnn Amaral	Lt Col Jeffrey C Paul USAF
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Col George A Jonic, Jr USMC & Mrs Carol Jonic	LTC William F Reade USA
	Col Steven C Schrader USAF

### **SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS / ANNUAL MEETING LUNCHEON - SAT 19 JUN 2021**

At Coonamessett Inn, Falmouth, 1130, we'll present 2021 grants and vote on officers plus 2022 dues. Our 37 applicants represent 14 schools including Barnstable 2, Bishop Stang 1, Bourne 2, Dennis-Yarmouth 1, Falmouth 1, Falmouth Academy 1, Martha's Vineyard 3, Mashpee 2, Nantucket 3, Nauset 3, Sandwich 3, Sturgis East 5, Sturgis West 6, Upper Cape Tech 2. Girls submitted 21, boys, 16. CDR Nicole Cabana NOAA (ret) - often cancelled in 2020 as events evaporated in the pandemic - will speak. She is the Deputy Director of the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration's Northeast Fisheries Science Center, Woods Hole MA.

***Give to our funds - see page 6.***

**IN MEMORIAM** Chapter Surviving Spouse member Mrs. **Edwina "Eddie" Buttrick**, 83, died at home in Cataumet MA 30 Jan 21 after a battle with cancer. She was the widow of CAPT Richard O. Buttrick USCG who died 02 Mar 19. They were married 58 years,

The daughter of Captain Victor F. and Alice (Phillips) Tydlacka, she was raised in a Coast Guard family that moved often. In high school she played varsity sports. She then studied to be a physical education teacher at Russell Sage College, Troy NY.

She met Dick at a dance while he was attending the Coast Guard Academy, New London CT. Once the two were married, their life was similar to her own upbringing: serving at various Coast Guard locations across the United States. The family moved to Cape Cod in the summer of 1982 and settled permanently. An accomplished cook, Eddie enjoyed being a hostess. She also took great pride in her garden of roses.



Eddie at 12-10-20 event

She leaves her older sister, Vicki Bakker, and her younger brother, Jerry Tydlacka, plus her five children: Jeffrey E. Buttrick (Pamela) of Sandwich MA, Richard C. Buttrick (Kimberly) of Falmouth MA, CDR Scott A. Buttrick USCG (retired) of Silver Spring MD, David J. Buttrick (Kristen) of Sandwich MA, and Pamela D. Oliveira (Todd) of Falmouth MA; 12 grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren. Visitation was 04 Feb, with interment in Massachusetts National Cemetery, Bourne MA. [edited from *Bourne Enterprise*, 02-02-21]

**Charity + Scholarship Goal by 31 Mar 21: \$10K / Receipts - 31 Mar 21: \$ 10,655.11 /107%**  
[ \$ 1,550.00 in special donations to Toys for Tots 2020 are not included in the annual total.]  
Fund balances 31 Mar 21: Charity \$ 881.27 Scholarship \$ 10,380.22 Operating \$ 6,812.25

**Officers Meetings** Wed 14 Apr 21, 1015, via Zoom; Wed 12 May, 1015, via Zoom.

### **DOD RETIREES AND DEPENDENTS NOW GETTING REDESIGNED ID CARDS**

[08 Mar 21 - edited from MOAA.org; this article by Patricia Kime originally appeared on Military.com, a leading source of news for the military and veteran community.]

Military retirees and family members renewing or getting their first ID cards this year are nearly guaranteed to receive the Next Generation Uniform Services Identification, or USID, Card, the first update to Defense Department IDs for non-active duty beneficiaries in nearly 30 years. According to Pentagon data, 97% of the DoD's ID renewal offices, known as Real-Time Automated Personnel Identification Card System (RAPIDS) sites are issuing them. They more closely resemble Common Access Cards used by troops and DoD civilians. [These cards do not contain the Social Security Account number.] The hard plastic items are more durable than the previous laminated ones, and feature advanced security measures, making them less susceptible to counterfeiting and fraudulent use.

In April 2020, as a pandemic response, Pentagon officials announced that dependent and retiree cards expiring in 2020 had been extended through September. This allowance has been extended again through June 2021 to help eliminate the need to visit a RAPIDS site in person.

Beneficiaries who have the current ID card should not seek a new card solely for the purpose of obtaining the new style, DoD officials said; the old style cards remain valid.

**Success story** Surviving Spouse member Judy Perchard reported an excellent RAPIDS experience in mid-March 2021: 13 minutes in-and-out. She went to USCG Base Cape Cod, 3159 Herbert Road, Buzzards Bay MA 02542, (508) 968-6685; hours Tuesday, 0800-1540; Wednesday, 0900-1200; Thursday, 0800-1540. The online scheduler to obtain the mandatory appointment is located at <https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/locator>.

**JOIN** Chapter members are, first, current members of MOAA national. Go to MOAA.org for information for those currently in any component - active, Guard, Reserve - of the eight uniformed services, a retiree of any of these, or a former officer of any of them.

The Chapter web site, [capecodmoaa.angelfire.com](http://capecodmoaa.angelfire.com) and Membership Chair, Brig Gen Jimmy Dishner USAF, [dishner101@comcast.net](mailto:dishner101@comcast.net), have application forms. More information on the Chapter as well as copies of past newsletters and photos of events are also on the web site.

**Note: new members pay no dues for the first year.**

**PLAN YOUR LEGACY - VA SURVIVORS AND BURIAL BENEFITS KIT** Whether a grave marker for a civilian cemetery, a memorial flag, or a spot in a national cemetery is desired, the VA kit can help. Go online to [VA burial benefits kit](#). Member Tom Keating says the available material mentions things we may have forgotten or never known. [On a personal note, Jackie and I completed the pre-need eligibility for National Cemetery burial: four days from online submission to confirmation of eligibility. We also each began grave marker form VA40-1330 with choices for wording in item 18, additional inscription of endearment, as well as choice of religious symbol, and with a sample of the preferred bronze niche marker – these to be completed by others on our death. We hope this preparation makes arrangements easier for others. We have not, as yet, gone to Massachusetts National Cemetery to check there.]

***CCC MOAA Scholarship and Charity Fund contribution*** Chapter members and any others who would like to make a federal tax deductible donation to either our Charity or Scholarship Fund may do so by providing the requested information and mailing a check or money order.

The Chapter thanks you very much for your generosity.

I/we, \_\_\_\_\_, contribute to the CCC MOAA  
[please print name(s) legibly]

***Scholarship Fund*** the amount of \$50  \$100  \$200  Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

***Charity Fund*** the amount of \$50  \$100  \$200  Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make instruments payable to CCC MOAA with a “memo” indicating the fund name.  
Mail to CCC MOAA, PO Box 2272, Mashpee MA 02649-8272.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ check # \_\_\_\_\_

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1130 – Joint Base Cape Cod Falcon Golf Course Clubhouse, Guenther Road  
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Cost: **\$25.00** per person – checks to CCC MOAA – **responses** due not later than **17 May 2021**  
check # \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed

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