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The Skipper

Says . . .



By Captain P. W. Dillingham, Jr.

Leadership is a term which we in the military hear almost continuously applied to almost every situation which may confront us. When we are successful, it is because of good leadership and when we are less than successful, it is because the leadership has not measured up to the prescribed standard of performance. Leadership involves people, whether they are members of one's own command or workgroup or whether they are members of another service or the civilian community at large. The "people" aspect is the most important consideration. But because people are unpredictable, hard to control and coordinate, hard to convince that what needs to be done is important and just plain ornery at times, there is a great tendency on the part of many supervisors and others in the chain of command to avoid definite leadership situations in order to avoid hard decisions that are the responsibility of any group leader. It is a natural tendency on the part of anyone who has had to make decisions directly involving and impacting on an individual or group of individuals.

The most frequent question that I am asked during counselling sessions is, "How can I become a better leader? What steps can I take or books can I read that will make me a stronger leader?" There is no single answer which covers every possible contingency or leadership situation nor should any leader expect to receive an immediate payback for successfully handling a leadership problem. Most leadership decisions can rarely be identified as to immediate impact. Many potentially good leaders are often discouraged at the outset because they can see no progress in their efforts nor do they realize that only in the long run will their effort pay off and then they will probably not get credit for it.

While not applicable to every situation, here are ten commandments of leadership which may help keep things in perspective:

1. People are illogical, unreasonable, and self-centered. Love and trust them anyway.
2. If you do good, people will accuse you of selfish ulterior motives. Do good anyway.
3. If you are successful you will win false friends and true enemies. Succeed anyway.
4. The good you do today will be forgotten tomorrow. Do good anyway.
5. Honesty and frankness will make you vulnerable. Be honest and frank anyway.
6. The biggest men with the biggest ideas can be shot down by the smallest men with the smallest ideas. Think big anyway.
7. People favor underdogs, but follow top dogs. Fight for the few underdogs anyway.
8. What you spend years building may be destroyed overnight. Build anyway.
9. People really need help, but may attack you if you do help. Help people anyway.
10. Give the world the best you have and you'll get kicked in the teeth. Give the world the best you have anyway.

The fact that you recognize that you are a leader is extremely important. This recognition is a de facto acceptance of responsibility for the actions and successes of your group. Too much time and effort is wasted on worrying how the other group, the other command or the other service is carrying out the new regulation or "how come we have to obey the order and some others are ignoring it." The fact that others are not measuring up to our standard is their leadership problem, not ours. Our objective is to develop strong leaders who know what is expected and how to achieve it in order to maintain the command's reputation for excellence in all its endeavors. Each one of you is to be congratulated on your individual contributions toward a job well done.

In memoriam

Colonel Robert D. Edgren, USAF, recently relieved as Commander, 6920th Air Base Group, passed away while on leave enroute to Chicksands Air Force Base, England. The command extends sincere sympathy to the family.

On the cover

The cherry blossoms hail the coming of spring as our national ensign and the Bicentennial flag fly over Misawa Air Base. (Photo by CTR1 Chuck McGee)

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CTTI1 Robert Wayne Wilford is NSGA's Enlisted Member of the Quarter for the period April through June, 1976.

Wilford, 54 Division, has been at Misawa since March, 1975. During that time, he has served as a member of the Command Information Team during Phase II Equal Opportunity Education, on the Command Training Team and has recently been selected as co-chairman of the Human Relations and Equal Opportunities Council (HEROC).

The 54 Division Career Counselor, Petty Officer Wilford was nominated for the Air Force Human Goals Award. He will be an instructor at the new Seminar on Leadership and Management course here.

During his thirteen year career, Wilford has seen duty at Ellyson Field, Pensacola, Fla. with HT-8; NCTC, Corry Field, Pensacola; NCS Philippines; Ft. Devons, Mass.; NSGA Kamisèya, Japan; Ft. Meade, Md.; NTTC Corry Station (ADCOP); and here. He is married to Diane and has one son, Scott. Wilford is from Jacksonville, Fla.

As a result of his being selected E.M.O.Q., Petty Officer Wilford received a uniform from a local tailor, a station plaque, a Letter of Commendation, a check for \$50 from the NSGA Command Association and a \$25 check from the Navy Marine Enlisted Wife's Club. He will also have his own parking space in front of Building



CTTI1 Robert Wilford is congratulated by CTACM Richard Loomis on his selection as Enlisted Member of the Quarter. (Photo by CTR1 Chuck McGee)

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Wilford spends most of his off-time either bowling
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Navy Relief... it is a vehicle of help

Excerpts by Lt (j.g.) W. Varakin

Somebody had a good idea — tell people about the Navy Relief Society.

There are a lot of people eligible for Navy Relief aid who are not aware of just what the Navy Relief Society is or how much help it can provide in a problem situation. It is unfortunate that, usually, among the most uninformed are dependents, and at times a service member is away during an emergency.

Mrs. Ramona Wright is the local representative of the NRS Japanese Auxiliary. As representative, Mrs. Wright works on cases; counseling, working out budgets to determine financial need and filling out the necessary paperwork to request aid. Requests then go to the Auxiliary Office in Yokosuka, where they are reviewed and a decision is made. Financial aid comes in the form of interest free loans, out-right grants or a combination of the two. Mrs. Wright also prepares monthly reports to Yokosuka, all of which are strictly confidential. Some specific areas NR aids in are emergency leave, funerals and personal needs, rent and food if pay records are lost. Any Navy or Marine Corps member or dependent who needs help can contact Mrs. Wright at 3744 to set up an appointment.

Emergency situations are not the only areas Navy Relief helps in. Others include help for widows' vocational training and dependent children's education.

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Colonel Lester R. Mellott, Commander, 6920th Security Wing, presents Mary Cunningham the quarterly Human Goals Award. Captain P.W. Dillingham, Jr., NSGA Commanding Officer, holds a plaque given to Mary. (Photo by CTR1 Chuck McGee)

NSGA dependent get MAB award

The first dependent to be presented the Misawa Air Base Human Goals Award, Mary Cunningham, wife of SKC John Cunningham, NSGA Supply, was recognized recently for her activities.

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Master Chief E. Vorhies (left) discusses BEQ matters with Petty Officer Tim Smith, BEQ 1024 Manager, as Master Chief R. Loomis listens. (Photo by CTR1 Chuck McGee)

Two chiefs visit

By CTACM Richard B. Loomis

We have been fortunate to have had recent back-to-back visits from two Master Chief Petty Officers, representing different commands, but both with a single purpose in mind: to provide information of value to the enlisted personnel at our command.

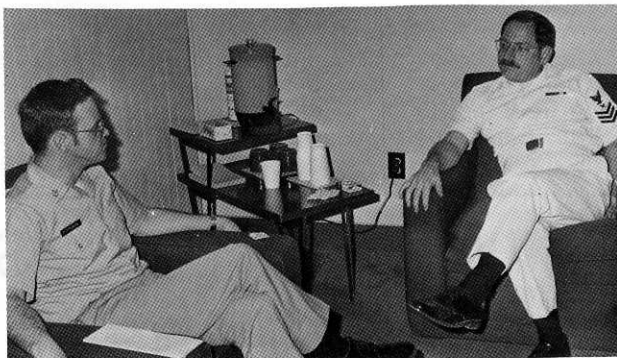
Master Chief E.L. Vorhies, Master Chief Petty Officer of the Naval Security Group Command, visited for three days, during which time he spoke to several groups of people and conducted several individual interviews. The purpose of his trip was to bring us up to the minute information from Commander, Naval Security Group Command concerning the present and future status of the Naval Security Group; information of interest

concerning plans, programs and benefits affecting enlisted personnel; and to give enlisted personnel the opportunity to present their views on Navy programs and matters pertaining to the Naval Security Group to someone who is in a position to act on their ideas.

Master Chief J.S. Buttermore, representing the Chief of Naval Personnel, visited for five days, conducting more than 100 interviews during which he presented enlisted detailing philosophies, rotation patterns, training opportunities, career planning development and a myriad of other matters concerning enlisted detailing.

We should all remember that personnel who visit us from Headquarters or from the Bureau are extremely knowledgeable on many different matters, giving us an excellent opportunity to "pick their brain" and to present our own views for them to take back. You know, when opportunities such as this arise and we fail to take advantage of them, we would be hard pressed to justify saying that we never receive any information. Of course, information provided by visitors can and is frequently promulgated by the command through various means.

It is to our advantage to look forward with anticipation to the visits of Force or Command Master Chiefs, enlisted detailers and various project managers or their representatives. It's our future and we should be concerned.



CTICM J.S. Buttermore, representing the CT Deatiling Office in Washington, D.C., discusses a detailing matter with CTI1 James Lee during his recent visit from May 7-12. (Photo by CTR2 Tim Smith)

Volunteer cited for her RC work

What can you say about someone who expends her time and talents unselfishly, who displays loyalty to coworkers and to the job at hand and whose willingness to help is demonstrated constantly — and for no pay? You say good things, definitely.

Sandra Halvorsen, wife of CTTC Larry Halvorsen, was recognized on April 28 at the "O" Club for her work as a Red Cross volunteer.

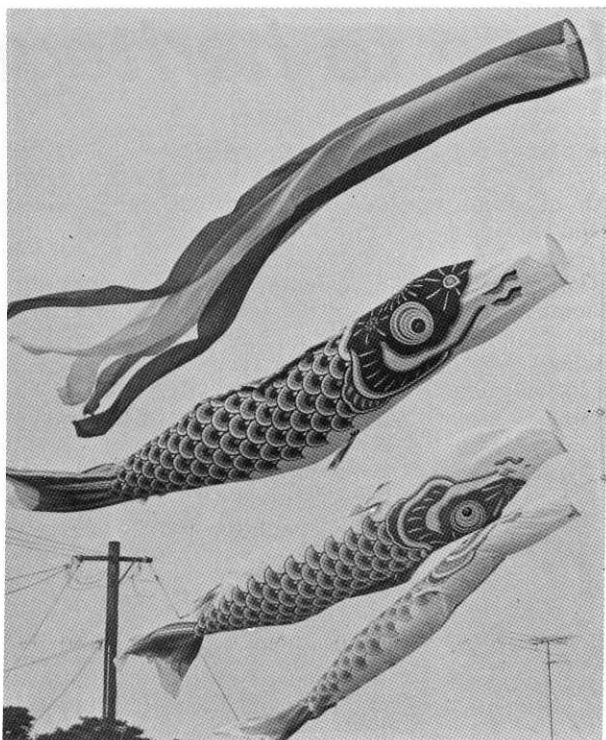
Mrs. Halvorsen, with 1000 hours to her credit (January, 1974 to present), oversees the efforts of 45 volunteers at the hospital and main base library. She interviews all new volunteers, arranges professional training (how to take pulse, blood pressure and first aid) for volunteers and schedules the volunteers. Sandra also finds substitutes when needed, sometimes filling in herself. Keeping records of hours worked, submitting reports and planning monthly coffees where awards are presented are also tasks she undertakes.

In addition to her Red Cross volunteer work, Mrs.

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Mrs. Sandra Halvorsen accepts a serving tray from Captain P.W. Dillingham, Jr., awarded in recognition of her work as a Red Cross volunteer. (AF photo by Mr. Sigeru Domon)



Pennants fly above homes in Japan in honor of the country's young during Boys' Day celebrated on April 28. (Photo by CTR1 Chuck McGee)

Soba are noodles

Soba, a common noodles in Japan can accurately be called the "Japanese spaghetti". Soba comes in several flavors; the gray soba is made of pure buckwheat, a green type contains spinach, and a light greenish soba uses tea leaves. However, spaghetti can be substituted in recipes calling for soba.

Soba is a favorite snack and most farming communities have a soba vendor who announces his presence with a distinctive call. Soba shops do a great "take out" business; in some communities, the shops still deliver the orders by a bicyclist who perches a stack of soba bowls on one hand while weaving in and out of the busy traffic.

The following is a soba dish with sauce which can be served hot or cold.

1 lb. soba, cooked and drain (cook like spaghetti, until soft)

Boil the follow to make sauce:

1/3 cup vinegar

1/2 cup of shoyu (soy sauce)

1/3 cup of stock (chicken, beef, etc.)

2 T. sugar

Arrange soba in four bowls. Pour sauce over and garnish with any of the following. Do not mix garnishes; each should have its own area. (The object is to have a one-item dish with several distinctive flavors.)

Cucumber marinated in sugar and vinegar (equal parts)

Mushrooms softened, sliced and cooked in equal parts of sugar and shoyu until liquid is absorbed

Chopped scallions

Omelette of 3 eggs, salt, 1 t. black sesame (optional), 1 t. sugar. Fry in oil, cool and add 1/2 cup of cured pork or ham tossed in hot mixture of shoyu and sugar.

The following recipe for fried soba is delicious eaten by itself or with boneless fried chicken or fried pork.

1 lb. cooked buckwheat or spinach soba

4 t. vegetable oil

1 cup Chinese cabbage in 1/2" squares (white cabbage will do)

6 t. shoyu

Dash of togarashi (red or black pepper may be substituted)

6 scallions in 1/2" lengths

Place oil in pan (preferably cast iron), add cabbage and cook until wilted, about 2-3 minutes. Add soba, shoyu, togarashi, stir gently until heated through. Add scallions and serve hot. Note: Leftover boiled soba can be kept 2-3 days if covered with foil or plastic wrap.

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(he carries a 187 average and was on the NSGA bowling team in the CNFJ tournament) or working on his bachelor's degree in Political Science through the Navy Campus for Achievement Program.

Ceremonies were held on April 9 in the Captain's office.

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Halvorsen is a member of the Navy/Marine Enlisted Wives' Club, teaches Sunday School for 3-year-olds and helps at the Youth Center when needed.

In a letter of nomination for the Human Goals Award, LtCol. Faye Hagan, USAF, Chief of Nursing Services at the hospital, said, "This marvelous woman exhibits many qualities that are desirous in professional staff: patience, understanding, tact, pleasing personality, willingness to accommodate, always extending a welcoming hand and completely loyal to her job." Mr. William Koch, American Red Cross, added, "She always recognizes the importance of the Red Cross job, quality of performance and the confidentiality of records, as well as recognition of people doing the job. This takes skill."

We add our "well done" to Sandra Halvorsen, whose efforts attest to her sincere desire to help others.

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Cited for encouraging all Navy women to join the Navy/Marine Enlisted Wives' Club as honorary members, Mary is presently traveling to Seattle to represent Misawa at the Navy Wives' Club of America convention and to accept the club's new charter. She is the club's president.

Mary is also the intercultural chairperson for the Girl Scouts, a commissary advisory board member, a participant on the Youth Advisory Council and a member of St. Anne's Society.

She teaches English to Misawa High School students and arranges for the students to visit the homes of military families. Anyone interested in hosting students can contact Mary in June at 4321.

Congratulations, Mary, on your selection.

Talent Show a tribute to heritage

Music and dance are part of every culture and, as America celebrates its 200th year, we are reminded of our rich musical heritage.

On May 2, NSGA sponsored a talent show at the "O" Club as its contribution to the Bicentennial celebration.

The Torre Twirlers opened the show with American square dancing. The Hawaii Club gave the audience a

glimpse of the culture of our 50th state.

There was a wealth of country music by such groups and individuals as the Sundowners; Gene Valendo; Steve Serero, Paul Garrick, John Hamilton; Wally Bloomfield; and John Michael Sanford.

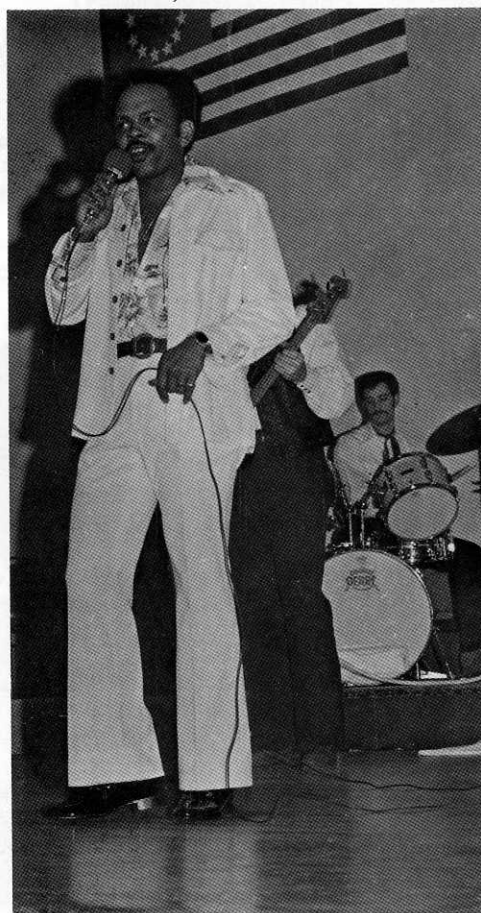
A choir of Japanese school children sang several selections, including one from Handel's "Messiah" while

Maureen Lee sang two English tunes. Rick Childers and Vince Lochiavo gave "Summertime", from George Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess", a new twist.

A baton twirling demonstration was presented by the Missle Twirlettes. Bill Hotrod and the Fanbelts took the audience back to the early days of rock and roll while the voices of Avis and Larry Ruebling combined in a beautiful rendition of "America the Beautiful" and "God Bless America".

John Pringle finished the show with "Knock on Wood", showing that from many roots comes the music which is truly American.

A choir of local school children sing one of several selections, left, and Avis and Larry Ruebling, below left, present a moving rendition of several patriotic songs. Below, John Michael Sanford sings a country/western song, "Kiss an Angel Good Morning". (AF photo by Sgt. Toni Gartner)





Masters of Ceremonies Pete Hancock and Jimmy Lee introduce the next act, above. Upper right, Gene Valendo entertains with a John Denver favorite, "I'm a Country Boy" while, right, John Pringle plays an unusual selection, "Knock on Wood". (AF photo by Sgt. Toni Gartner) Members of the Hawaii Club, below, do a traditional dance. (Photo by CTI2 Lucian Czarnecki)



Show honors Emperor's birthday



A panorama of lights, dancers, gymnasts, bands, traditional Japanese actors. . .the festival in Hachinohe's civic auditorium celebrating the Emperor's birthday on April 29 was appropriately called the Grand Show. In fact, that was somewhat of an understatement.

Captivating from the very start, the 2 1/2 hour show included performers representing Japan's past, present and future. Dancers in kimonos sway with the rhythm of the haunting music, fanning fans which seem to have come from nowhere. Children dance around a cherry blossom tree heralding the coming of spring while traditional players portray an idea from Japan's past.

The pace quickens as several military bands appear, one of which is the Marine Corps' band from Iwakuni.

The whole show is full of motion and life; some moments quick and hurried while others are quiet and graceful and the difference in language is no barrier.

Photos by CTR1 Chuck McGee

Above, the Marine Corps band from Iwakuni, one of several bands, plays during the celebration. Below, dancers relate the experience of meditation of mind and heart in a performance called "Spirit of Zen". A human pillar, right, is surrounded by a group called "Youth of the Sea".



Misawans awarded

The following personnel received awards at the ceremony on May 14: CTI2 Gordon Phipps (Good Conduct); CTI2 Richard Coiffn (Navy Achievement and Navy Unit Commendation); Lt. George Thomas (Meritorious Unit Commendation and Republic of Vietnam Armed Forces Meritorious Unit Citation); and CTI2 Andy Shoemake (Meritorious Unit Commendation).

Letters of Appreciation were presented to: DP2 Nancy Smith; CTTC Joseph Lacey; GySgt. Ronald Hughes; CTRSA Michael Wade; and CTT1 Gary Wilhelm received a Certificate of Recognition. In addition, Letters of Commendation were received by CTR2 Don Fehner; CTI1 James Lee; CTI2 Michael Zanski; and CTR2 Barry Taylor.

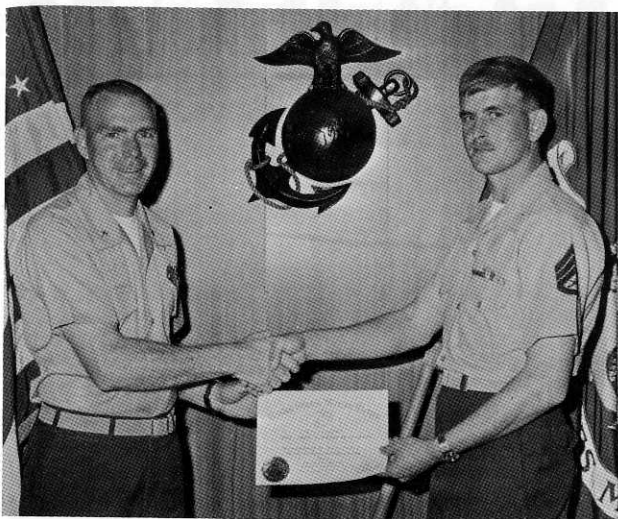


PNSN Paul W. Sarver, Personnel Office, smiles as he gets his GED certificate from Mrs. Jo Peak, Education Office. The GED program aids people in getting their high school diplomas by taking necessary tests. (Photo by Chuck McGee)

Eighteen advanced

The following personnel were advanced to their present rates on May 14: DP2 Nancy Smith; CTI3 Dennis Larsen; and CTR3 John Audia while the following were advanced on May 17: DK1 Salvador Estrada; CTM2 Paul Fox; CTA2 David Walls; CTI2 Edward Shoemaker; CTI2 Wayne Wright; CTI2 Dale Shorb; CTI3 Robert Hiatt; CTI3 Michael Brown; CTI3 Clyde Bristow; CTI3 Jack Purcell; CTT3 Patricia Utter; CTT3 Patti Wagner; CTT3 Pamela Larsen; CTT3 Scott Carlson; and DP3 Donald Vasey.

To NSGA Misawa: We would like to express our deepest appreciation for your many acts of kindness during our recent bereavement. Words are not enough to repay you for your thoughts and prayers. God bless you all. (CTRC and Mrs. James Marmas)



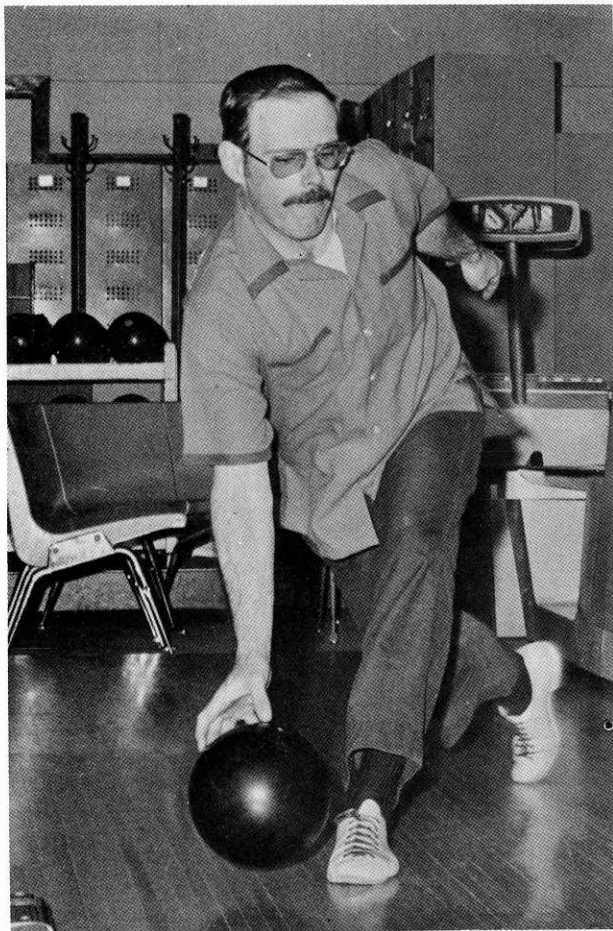
SSgt. Lewis Mathis, Jr. is congratulated by Major A.J. Keener, Company E Commanding Officer, on his completion of courses at the SNCO Academy. (Photo by CTR1 Chuck McGee)

Academy helps job

The purpose of the Staff Noncommissioned Officers' Academy, located at Montford Point, North Carolina, is to educate noncommissioned officers in the high standards of professional knowledge, esprit de corps and leadership performance traditional to the Marine Corps. Staff Noncommissioned Officer. The school enhances the individual's ability to fulfill and discharge the duties and responsibilities appropriate to his grade. The rigorous six-week course consists of many hours of physical training along with academic studies. When asked is the school was worth the long hours of study and grueling physical training, SSgt. Mathis replied, "The school is well worth every bit of sweat that you put into it because on graduation day when you receive the diploma, you get a great feeling of accomplishment."



CTRC Edward Norris, 51 Division, is piped over the side, completing 20 years of Naval service. Fair sailing, chief. (Photo by CTR1 Chuck McGee)



Charles McArthur shows the winning form which helped the NSGA Blue Devils take the intramural bowling championship. (Photo by CTR1 Chuck McGee)

The NSGA Blue Devils take top pin honors

By Tuba Wilford

Champions! NSGA's intramural bowling team can wear that title with pride. The bowling season, which started in September for NSGA's ten Navy keggers, culminated in April with the Blue Devils reigning supreme over the 24-team league.

NSGA met Daze A on the last night of the regular season leading by a mere one game and proved equal to the challenge by winning three out of four from very formidable competition. The Blue Devils were led by Tuba Wilford's 256 game and 630 series.

Not able to rest on past laurels, NSGA had to come back the next week and roll 12 games in a two-day stretch to earn the coveted Commander's Trophy. NSGA

entered the second night of competition trailing by 155 pins. This placed them third in the six-team roll-off.

Down, but not out, the Blue Devils began to methodically cut away at their deficit. By the last game, NSGA had taken the lead by a tenuous 27 pins over Trick 2A. Although exhausted, NSGA's Blue Devils had come too far to let the championship slip from their grasp and would not be denied.

Led by Marv Hall's 242 game, our keggers knocked down 1013 pins to Trick 2A's 912 game to win the roll-off by 128 pins. Hall averaged 194 and Wilford 192 to lead all bowlers for the roll-off.

Although the season was a total team effort, the Devils had individual stars as evidenced by Jim Duck's 197 average for the regular season, which copped high average honors for the league. Duck was not able to participate in the roll-off due to being on TAD orders. Pete Browning's 192 average was third high for the league.

Other members of the team not previously mentioned are: John Cunningham; Ed "Silver Fox" Norris; Ted Yashinskie; Ron Anderson; Charley McArthur; and Dave Hastie.

Athletics varied

The NSGA Spring Open Golf Tournament had to be rescheduled for Monday, May 24. It will be played at the base golf course, with the first tee time slated for 7:30. Contact Bob Depontbriand (5733), Mike Dallman (5367) or Don Mayberry (5373) for more information. The command's seasonal golf tournaments have proved to be some of the most participated in events of the recreation world at Misawa. Remember, you do not have to be a scratch golfer to enter. Full handicap is used and, for the duffer, there is a Duffer of the Day award. Trophies will be presented to the winners and runners-up in each of the three flights.

Captain's Cup flag football is well underway now. At press time, here are the standings:

Team	Won	Lost	Tied
Section One	2	0	0
Marines	0	0	1
Section Four	1	1	0
Dayworkers	0	1	1
Maintenance	0	0	1

The next event in the 1976 Captain's season is golf, scheduled to begin on the first Friday in June. Maximum participation is encouraged. Check with Special Services at the Ropeyarn (5733).

The Commander, Naval Forces, Japan softball (slow pitch) is scheduled for July 2 - 6. NSGA Misawa will enter a team in the tournament. The team will depart Misawa for Yokosuka on June 30. Coaches for this year's team are Jim Sneath and Denny Larson.

NSGA Smoker

Boxing popular

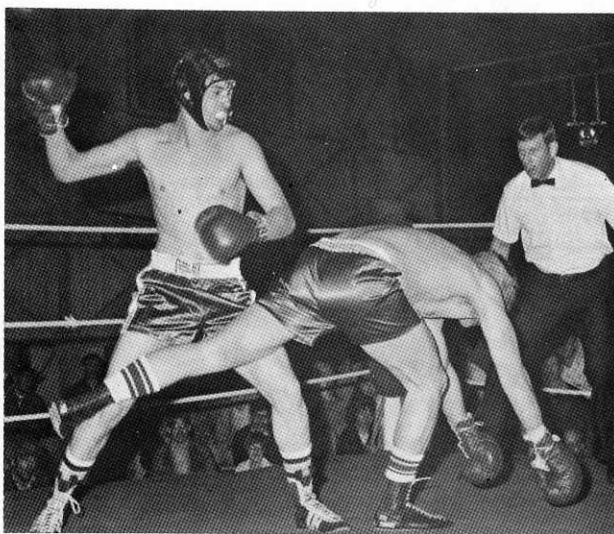
May 8 marked the beginning of what may be a quarterly event here at Misawa. Naval Security Group Activity sponsored its first boxing smoker to raise money for the Navy Relief Fund and found that boxing holds the fancy of quite a few people here.

Ron "Andy" Anderson, 52 Division, was the main planner and arranger for the event which drew over 250 spectators. He was ably assisted by Lonnie Rodeheaver, Special Services and quite a few others who helped put up the ring and make other arrangements.

Judges for the nine bout smoker were R.B. Loomis, Stan Lopez and Gary Wilhelm. Sharing the duties as referees were Jim Bloomingdale, of the 6920th Security Wing; Anderson; and Rodeheaver. The timer was Jack Munsen; the trainer was Tom Owens; and the card girl was Kathy McWilliams. Tim Smith acted as Master of Ceremonies. AF Major (Dr.) Gerald Gehling was acting physician and Ray Smaw and Archie Nelson acted as seconds.

In the first match-up, Al "Hobbit" Myers won a unanimous decision from John "Horrible" Hamilton; Jim Logan KO'd Milton "The Monster" Willett; Rory "Butch" Porter laid a TKO on Renzo "Terry" Thomas; and "Smoking" Joe Sardo battled to a unanimous decision over Larry "Red" Gale.

Fred Endler blasted away at favored Charlie Stillwell and walked away with a TKO victory; Bill "Quiet Man" Reynolds won a controversial decision from J.W. Vaughn; Bob Damm won a TKO over Jim Gilson; Gary "Muke



J.W. Vaughn lands one on Bill "Quiet Man" Reynolds as Reynolds tries to get his balance. A controversial decision gave the win to Reynolds. (Photo by CTR1 Chuck McGee)

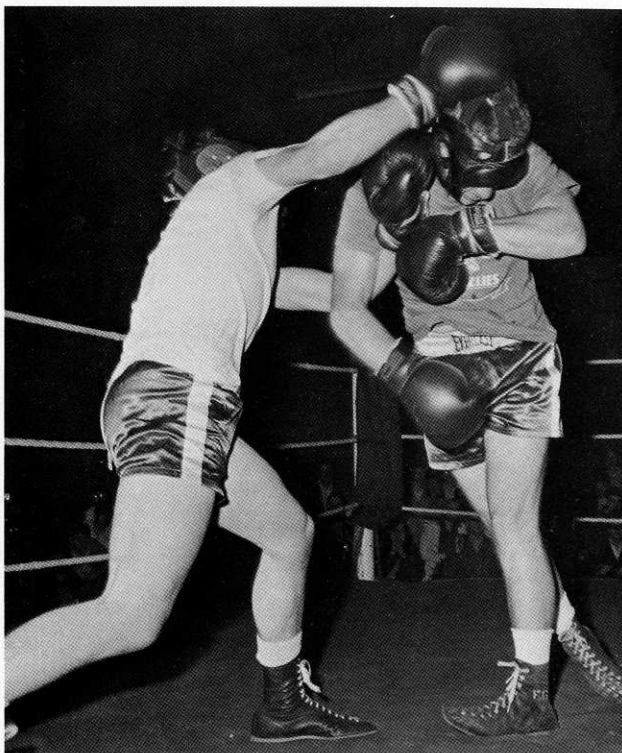
the Mauler" Ferstler won a unanimous decision from Bob Oleynick; and Tony Burdick TKO'd Joe "The Bomber" Rice.

R.D. Porter was presented the "Best Technical" award while J.C. Sardo took the "sportsmanship" award. J.W. Vaughn was recognized for "Best Efforts".

The event raised over \$600 for the Navy Relief Fund.



Tony Burdick, left, blocks a left hook from Joe—"the Bomber" Rice. Burdick went on to take a TKO victory. (Photo by CTR1 Chuck McGee)



Al "Hobbit" Myers lands a round-house right on John "Horrible" Hamilton. Myers took a unanimous decision in the bout. (Photo by CTR1 Chuck McGee)

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The Society works closely with the Red Cross and parallels or duplicates many of the services. The NRS also has mutual aid agreements with the Army Emergency Relief, Air Force Aid Society, Coast Guard Welfare and the Defense Attache System.

Navy Relief is a large operation. In 1975, NRS loaned nearly \$9 million worldwide and about \$75,000 in Japan alone. It is a big business and has many resources to help the individual and relies on help and contributions from each Navy and Marine Corps member. The fund drive at Misawa is in progress how until June 4.

Key persons at NSGA are: Lt (j.g.) W. Varakin, Senior Project Officer; CTA2 H. Kadel, 11, 3198; PN1 Acierio, 12, 5619/3383; SSgt. T. Dennis, 20, 5338; SKC Cunningham or SK2 Wells, 30, 5201; BM2 Cloonan, 41 5303/3025; CTM1 Porter, 42, 5327; CTRSN Gibson, 51, 5373/5677; CTR1 Testerman, 52, 5209; CTR1 Newberry, 53, 5367; CTIC Varner, 54, 3232; CTI1 Poole, 55, 5205; CTI1 Jones, 60, 5616; MSgt. Leake, Company E, 5338.

Remember, the Navy Relief Society is the Navy and Marine Corps way of "helping their own".



Cdr. Dennis T. Graff, left, relieves Cdr. Pete T. Smith as VP-47 Commanding Officer. (Photo by CTR1 Chuck McGee)

VP-47 has new CO

Commander Dennis T. Graff, former Executive Officer of Patrol Squadron 47, relieved Commander Pete T. Smith as Commanding Officer in ceremonies held on April 28.

Visiting VP-47 for the ceremonies was Rear Admiral Gordon J. Schuller, Commander, Patrol Wing One.

Cdr. Smith, who led VP-47 to the Combat Efficiency "E" Award for the past 18 months, leaves for duty in Washington, D.C.

VP-47 is currently deployed at Misawa Air Base, Japan, from Moffett Field Naval Air Station, California.

Bowlers win in CNFJ tourney

FLEET ACTIVITIES, YOKOSUKA N B (Special to the MISAWAN). . . Representatives from the Naval Security Group Activity, Misawa Air Base, made their presence well known at the recently completed Commander, Naval Forces Japan bowling competition here.

NSGA Misawa entered two teams in the competition. Their "A" Team finished first in the team events and the "B" Team took a close fourth. Total pins for Team "A" was 5692, while Team "B" totaled 5398.

Gale Monda, Co. E, took 1st place in all events, assuring him of a trip on to the Western Pacific tournament at Subic Bay in the Philippines. Monda rolled a total of 3451 pins for an average of 191.7. Pete Browning, 54 Division, finished fourth in that competition by finishing with an average of 189.3 from a total of 3408 pins. Browning will also go on to Subic Bay for the Western Pacific tournament.

To further the accolades for NSGA Misawa, Charlie MacArthur of 30 Department and Jimmy Duck of 55 Division, finished a perfect one-two in singles competition with a 1209/201.5 and a 1178/196.3 respectively. Pete Browning had the tournament high series with a three game total of 650 for a 216.666 average.

It is safe to say that people in Japan is now aware, if they weren't before, of just where and what NSGA, Misawa is.

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With a look of determination, Jack Purcell grabs the ball and tries for a touchdown. Section Four lost to Section One in the first game of flag football competition with a final score of 35-0. (Photo by JOSN Diane Shepherd)