



Prototype Enclosure Stands Up Against Severe Weather Conditions; Permits Yard to Complete CGC TIGER SHARK Ahead of Schedule

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The Yard Paint Shop preserves TIGER SHARK's superstructure under controlled conditions within the prototype enclosure while snow falls outside on the waterfront. (Photo by Robert Orofino, SFLC-CPD)



TIGER SHARK displays its new paint job! (Photo by Robert Orofino, SFLC-CPD)

One of the greatest challenges the Yard faces every year is trying to paint around the weather, particularly in the winter. The winter of 2014 was no exception, with close to record low temperatures, snow falls, and general precipitation. The scientific coating systems that the Coast Guard uses to protect the steel against corrosion – a cutter's ever-present enemy – require specific atmospheric conditions in order to be applied with any guaranteed protection and longevity. The Yard is actively striving to overcome this issue, and the best way to overcome it is to control it.

During some of the worst winter weather conditions, the Coast Guard Cutter TIGER SHARK arrived at the Yard in January for a dry-dock availability calling for 48 work items. In order to avoid delays, the Yard contracted and helped design a structure large enough to completely enclose the cutter; strong enough to withstand heavy winds, and simple enough to be constructed and deconstructed quickly. The result was a heavy duty scaffolding system wrapped in thick plastic sheeting. Ventilation, heat pumps, and lighting were all run through the temporary structure to allow the Yard to control atmospheric conditions to accommodate work projects, including the Paint Shop's optimal coating application on the 87' patrol boat.

While other cutters that were exposed to the elements were experiencing delays due to weather, TIGER SHARK was able to be completed a

HAPPY 115TH BIRTHDAY, COAST GUARD YARD! (APRIL 26, 1899 - APRIL 26, 2014)

On Friday, April 25th, the Yard unveiled a historical marker commemorating the shipyard as the first permanent site of the United States Coast Guard Academy, from the beginning of the Yard in 1899 to 1910 when the school moved to its present day location in New London, Connecticut. Members of the Fifth District Coast Guard Auxiliary donated the marker and attended the special event held at 10 a.m. on the steps of Fleet Hall. A full article with photos will be published in the next issue of the Yard News. The following remarks were given by CAPT Leshner to open this historical special event, coincidentally held the day before the Yard's 115th birthday.

--Editor, Yard News

“Good morning, Acting District Commodore Jeff Stewart; Members of the Fifth District Coast Guard Auxiliary, and Personnel of the Coast Guard Yard:

We gather together today to highlight a significant milestone in the history of the United States Coast Guard, the Coast Guard Yard, and Anne Arundel County - our county of residence in the State of Maryland. This morning, we will unveil a historical marker that commemorates the establishment of the first permanent site of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy here at the Coast Guard Yard. This happened 115 years ago on April 26, 1899 when the Coast Guard Yard was founded – and yes, *tomorrow is the Coast Guard Yard's 115th birthday!* Back then, the U.S. Coast Guard was called the Revenue Cutter Service; the Yard was called the Arundel Cove Depot, and the Coast Guard Academy was the called the Revenue Cutter Service School of Instruction.

The School was officially founded in 1876 and for 23 years, the schooner DOBBIN, followed by the barque-rigged clipper ship CHASE, provided floating classrooms for student cadets, going in and out of several ports. When initial plans for a permanent school of instruction were included in the set-up of Arundel Cove Depot here in 1899, the Commandant of the Revenue Cutter Service rejoiced. And in the fall of 1900, the CHASE arrived and established permanent quarters at Arundel Cove.

Cadets slept and ate on board and attended classes in a Civil War era wood building that we believe was

located in today's southeast corner of the Yard. In 1906 and 1907, two additional ships arrived – the ORIOLE and the ITASCA – providing more dormitory space. Later, another classroom building was erected.

But towards the end of the first decade of the 20th century, activities at the boat repair yard increased, posing challenges for the cadets' classes and studies. More space was needed, so in 1910, the Revenue Cutter Service moved its school to Fort Trumbull in New London, Connecticut, on the shores of the Thames River, renaming it the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in 1915. The Coast Guard Academy resides in this location today.

We are privileged to have several photographs obtained from the Coast Guard Academy Museum and Library showing the cadets marching to class, practicing artillery exercises, and playing baseball. Several pictures are on display to my right. In addition, last week we received a copy of the first published year book of the Revenue Cutter Service School of Instruction – the 1905 edition of “Tide Rips,” the Coast Guard Academy's year book bearing the same name today. This “fragile” document is also on display, and I hope you have the chance to see it this morning. There are several photos of the cadets with the Yard in the background and poems written about Arundel Cove.

Establishment of the Revenue Cutter Service School of Instruction has always been noted in history journals about the Coast Guard Yard, but in our 115 years of operation, there has been no visible, permanent memo-

rial to such an incredible historical fact that has great meaning for us.

Anne Arundel County has claimed the birthplace of the U.S. Naval Academy since that institution was founded on the shores of Annapolis in 1843. But now, County residents can proudly boast of being the first permanent home of two military service academies – the US Naval Academy and the US Coast Guard Academy - thanks to historical awareness achieved by today's ceremony.

We can thank the efforts of the Fifth District Coast Guard Auxiliary for this public recognition. Initiation of the project is credited to Auxiliarist Steve McElroy, who while serving as District Historian, saw the need to commemorate such an important piece of our history. He and fellow Auxiliarists pursued three years of fund raising to secure funds to purchase the historical marker we will soon unveil.

On behalf of all the military members and civilian employees of the Coast Guard Yard, I proudly convey our deepest thanks and appreciation for your extraordinary efforts. The fact that the Yard served as the first permanent site of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy from 1899 to 1910 will no longer be buried in history books, but prominently displayed for all who visit here.

I sincerely thank Commodore Stewart and all the members of the Fifth District Coast Guard Auxiliary for traveling to Baltimore for this momentous occasion.”

“We’re Working On It!”



(left) CGC HARRIET LANE (WMEC 903) – Portsmouth, VA
(right) CGC MOHAWK (WMEC 913) – Key West, FL



CGC DOLPHIN (WPB 87354) – Miami Beach, FL

“THE BOYS OF SUMMER” OF 1905!!

(Reprinted from the 1905 edition of “Tide Rips,” the first published yearbook of the Revenue Cutter Service (today’s Coast Guard) School of Instruction (today’s Coast Guard Academy) that was located at the Arundel Cove Depot (today’s Coast Guard Yard) from 1899 to 1910.)

“This is the first year in which the School of Instruction has been represented by an organized baseball team in contests with other schools. The organization was not developed sufficiently early to be properly rounded out to begin the season, nor to secure a very complete schedule of games. Up to the present, the following games have been played:

April 1, at Ellicott City – Rock Hill College, 12; Service Team, 8. April 8 at Arundel Cove-Baltimore City College, 8; Service Team, 5. April 12, at College Park-Maryland Agricultural College, 9; Service Team, 1. April 18, at Annapolis-St. John’s College Reserves, 7; Service Team, 6 (12 innings). May 6, St. John’s College, 4; Service Team, 6. May 9, at Annapolis-Marine Officers School of Application, 6; Service Team, 23.

In spite of this succession of defeats,

the showing may be regarded as very creditable and in all the games, the cadets have played good ball. The difficulty of picking a successful team from 22 cadets is evident, and for the first year’s competition with other colleges, the schedule has been quite ambitious. Weightman’s pitching has been all that could be desired, and he has been generally well supported. Batting has been the weak point, but

the steady improvement in this respect is noticeable. We may confidently expect that the remainder of the season will bring greater success in winning games.

The team deserves great credit for their earnest efforts to properly represent the Service, and with good fortune in securing some promising material in the incoming class, we may look for good results next year.”



The baseball team of the 1905 Revenue Cutter Service School of Instruction in Baltimore, Maryland: Lieutenant F.C. Billard, U.S.R.C.S. manager; Waesche, c.; Weightman, p.; Austin, 1b. (captain); Cousins, 2b.; Rideout, 3b.; Ahern, ss.; Jones, rf.; Jack, cf.; Scally, 1f.; Benham and Shanley, substitutes; mascot, Apprentice Charles Andrews.

Yard Shops' Spotlight

(Courtesy of the "Plan of the Week")



Electro Shop

The Electro Group is responsible for all electronics and electrical repair to visiting cutters. They are also on call 24/7 to provide temporary services to the ships. These services include heat, lights, water, etc. The Group gives world-wide support with "road shows" to ships around the globe. The Electro Group has an amazing amount of talent. The most senior shop member has over 40 years of service; the most junior member has been on board for six months, and learning fast! Combined, the Electro Group has an astonishing 800 years of service to the Coast Guard fleet! The Group's "unofficial" motto is "Anywhere, Anytime, With Pride!"

Outside Machine Shop

The Outside Machine Shop (X23) is responsible for all propulsion shafting, propeller repairs/overhauls, and rudder repairs for visiting cutters. They are the experts in all matters of propeller shaft alignment. The Shop is responsible for the installation of propeller shaft seals, a vital component that allows the propulsion shafts to spin, yet prevents water from entering the engine room. On "road shows," X23 takes it talent around the world. The Shop's most senior member has over 41 years of service; its newest member reported aboard six weeks ago. Combined, the Outside Machine Shop has over 750 years of service to the Coast Guard fleet! The Shop's unofficial motto is "We Are the Avengers. You Break It, and We'll Fix It!"



TIGER SHARK, cont. from pg 1 day ahead of schedule. TIGER SHARK should have experienced at least a two week delay based on the weather records.

Not only did this structure help TIGER SHARK, it acted as a prototype for future availabilities. The Yard is still analyzing the costs associated with building such a structure compared to the scheduling benefits, and there are still many challenges to

overcome in making this a regular option. Overall, the prototype was an extreme success and an excellent proof of concept.

Weather aside, this project's level of success would not have been possible without the tireless efforts of each of the shops. Our extreme gratitude goes out to CWO Tim Fields, Adam Cole, Cecil Justice, Al Moulton, Wayne Darney, Robert Jacobs, Michael Ebert,

Brian Ames, Lamont McCloud, and Tim Sheppard and their workforce for their hard work and dedication in completing this availability ahead of time and under budget!

TIGER SHARK departed the Yard in mid-March for return to its homeport in Newport, Rhode Island. "Fair Winds & Following Seas"!

Yard Begins Maintenance on CGC CHOCK



The Yard lifted the Cutter CHOCK on April 8th to begin an anticipated 10-week repair availability for routine maintenance. Additional work items include complete remediation of lead and asbestos in the aft steering and aft cargo hold compartment; structural work; painting of the underwater hull; removal/renewal of stern tube, and removal/reinstallation of two ship

service diesel generators.

CHOCK is homeported at the Yard. Arriving in the summer of 2012, the 65' harbor tug is a Sector Baltimore multi-mission response asset, including search & rescue, homeland security patrol, law enforcement, and ice-breaking in the upper Chesapeake Bay and Port of Baltimore.

This winter, CHOCK had many busy



days of ice breaking on the Chesapeake Bay, some areas experiencing 4-6 inches of ice. And the faithful tug accomplished ice breaking under record-breaking frigid temperatures. With its intense work during the winter season, the 53-year-old tug was ready to enter the shipyard for needed maintenance and repair – and the Yard is ready to deliver.

Yard Accomplishes Emergency Repair

The Coast Guard Cutter CAPSTAN, a 65' harbor tug homeported in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, limped into the Yard on January 14th for emergency repair of its keel cooler. CAP-

When Breaking Ice Can't Wait!

STAN had been conducting critical ice breaking activities on the Delaware River throughout the seven days prior to the tug's casualty. Experiencing five feet thick ice, the CAPSTAN crew

diligently worked to keep the channel open for transiting commercial traffic. But breakdown of CAPSTAN's keel cooler, comparable to a car's radiator, put an immediate halt to the tug's operational missions.

The Yard quickly dry-docked the small harbor tug, and tradesmen from the Yard's Pipe Shop jumped into action to begin emergency repairs. The Yard completed repair of CAPSTAN's keel cooler within 24-hours, and the tug departed Baltimore to continue critical ice-breaking tasks assigned by Coast Guard Sector Delaware Bay.

Satisfied Yard customers have commented, "Thank goodness you were here when we needed you!" sentiments equally expressed by the Cutter CAPSTAN, now back on the Delaware River maintaining navigable waterways and preventing accidents for mariners at sea during the winter of 2014 - when ice breaking can't wait!



Rigging Shop tradesmen swiftly made room on the shiplift to accommodate CAPSTAN (foreground) for critical emergency repairs. The Yard dry-docked the harbor tug, fixed it, and set it to sea within 24 hours.

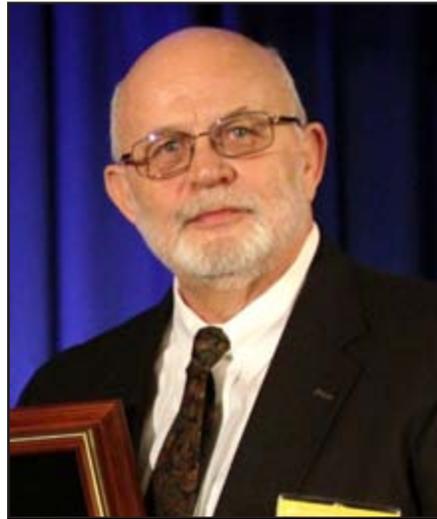
Yard Production Manager Receives Prestigious Naval Engineering Award

Charlie Zerbe, Yard Production Manager, recently received the prestigious Frank C. Jones Award from the American Society of Naval Engineers (ASNE). He is the first Coast Guard recipient of the award that has been bestowed by ASNE since 2006 for excellence in naval engineering. He joins the company of other awardees including high ranking Navy military and civil service naval engineers.

ASNE is a 125-year-old professional society established to advance the knowledge of the naval engineering field within the public and private sectors. The award, named after Rear Admiral Frank C. Jones, U.S. Navy retired, and past President of ASNE, recognizes naval engineering professionals who, over the last ten years, have significantly contributed to their agency's ship maintenance and alteration programs resulting in extensive repairs, overhauls, and modernization of the U.S. Navy and Coast Guard fleets.

As the Yard's highest graded civil service employee, Charlie Zerbe has worked at the Yard for 48 years. He is responsible for all shipyard planning and production including new boat construction, ship repair and renovation, and cutter modernization. He leads the Yard's project management

staff and four groups of marine-related trades (structural, mechanical, electrical, and services) that encompass 19 shops and 450 personnel. His oversight directly impacts the Coast Guard's ability to execute such missions as search & rescue, drug interdiction, fisheries protection, and anti-terrorism throughout the United States and the world.



Charlie Zerbe

In addition, the Award recognizes Zerbe's contribution to developing future leaders and tradesmen at the Yard through his initiation of the Trades Training Program 10 years ago. Recognizing the increasing aging workforce at the shipyard and realizing a diminishing base of qualified shipyard

workers in the mid-Atlantic area, Zerbe and Yard management created a program to partner with local community colleges to provide academic and practical training to Yard employees in marine-related trades. The four year program results in students completing the majority of an Associate of Arts Degree while earning a trade certification. Since Zerbe's initiation of the Trades Training program, over 64 trades training students have graduated from the program and are permanent, valued employees of the Yard.

CDR Matthew Lake, Yard Industrial Manager, commented, "Through the Trades Training program, Charlie Zerbe helped provide a combination of hands-on training and classroom education designed to equip Yard employees to continue supporting the Coast Guard fleet for decades to come. He has passed his knowledge on to others who will continue this work far into the future."

A native of Baltimore, Charlie Zerbe began his employment at the Yard in 1965 as a shipfitter helper, climbing the career ladder to his promotion in 1995 as the shipyard's top civilian. He is a six-year veteran of the Maryland Army National Guard and resides in Pasadena, Maryland.

Congratulations from the Yard family!

Yard Graduates Fourth Trades Training Class

The Yard graduated its fourth Trades Training Class during ceremonies held in Berry Hall on February 20, 2014. Eighteen students completed four years of academic classes and studies in the pipefitting, paint, marine machine, electrical, and structural trades. Their academic and practical training began in 2010.

Trades training strives to "assure the Yard's future" through the development of highly skilled, Coast Guard-oriented journeymen. Partnering with the Community College of Baltimore County, trades training students receive 39 college credits toward their

Associate of Arts Degree, in addition to extensive trades theory training over their four year commitment. Work experience on board a ship or in a shop provides on-the-job instruction for each student's respective trade. Upon graduation, new graduates are promoted to WG-09 and WG-10 journey-men.

The Yard initiated the Trades Training Program in 2004 and graduated the first class of 18 craftsmen in 2007. The second trades training class of 16 students began their studies in 2006, finishing up the program in 2009. The third class of 12 craftsmen began in

2008 and 12 students graduated in 2011. This year's graduating class of 18 students began their work in 2010, finishing up in 2013. Fifth and sixth classes of the Trades Training program are underway.

With the current average age of the Yard's workforce at nearly 47-years-old, the Trades Training Program offers an education in critical skill areas designed to develop technically sophisticated craftsmen who will continue the Yard's commitment to quality "Service to the Coast Guard Fleet" for future decades to come.

Congratulations Class of 2013!



The Class of 2013 Trades Training graduates are (left to right): Jared Zyla, John Driscoll, Doug Zyla, Chris LaPorte, Ed Zaruba, Jeremy Simon, William Bittner, Stephen Gately, Joseph Hansberger-Evans, Anthony Attiliis, George Johnson, John Danko, Benjamin Burnett, Frank Galek, Ronald Lowman. Not available for photo were graduates: Matthew Dudley, Brian Kindig, Touraine Nickens.



At graduation, the Yard bestows the T.K. Turner Award to the trades training graduate with the highest Grade Point Average (GPA). This year's recipient was Joseph Hansberger-Evans, X30, (pictured in center of photo with plaque) who maintained a 3.69 GPA throughout his studies. The Award is named in honor of the late Thomas K. Turner, a 2001 Yard retiree who assisted in the design of the Yard Trades Training Program and served several years as an instructor.

Milestones

Retirements

Edward Boatwright
Pipefitter
28 Years

Bernard Okonski
Welder (Shipfitting)
43 Years

Julius Jenkins
Management Analyst
10 Years

Edwin Savage
Welder (Shipfitting)
35 Years

Roy Bartholomew
Sheetmetal Joiner Leader
28 Years

Thomas Grabowski
Electrician
14 Years

Advancements/Promotions

ME2 Chrissy Taylor, Security Department
DC2 Joshua Pollock, Firehouse
HS1 Justin Stephen, Health Services Division
Jason Deyo, Safety & Occup Health Spec, GS-0018-12
Kevin Means, Shipwright, WG-5220-10
Tim Roberts, Shipwright, WG-5220-10
Richard Aro, Structural Leader (Weld/Shipfit), WL-3801-10
Michael Galante, Sheetmetal Joiner Leader, WL-4701-10
Adam Lindley, Electrical Engineer, GS-850-12
Douglas Zyla, Pipefitter, WG-4204-10

Benjamin Burnett, Pipefitter, WG-4204-10
Ronald Lowman, Pipefitter, WG-4204-10
Anthony Attiliis, Pipefitter, WG-4204-10
John Danko, Pipefitter, WG-4204-10
Patrick McKenna, Pipefitter Worker, WG-4204-8
Mark Daniels, Pipefitter Worker, WG-4204-8
Jason Eberle, Pipefitter Worker, WG-4204-8
Aneisha Vester, Marine Machinery Repairer, WG-5334-8
Andrew Dove, Marine Machinery Repairer, WG-5334-8
Jeremy Simon, Marine Machinery Mech, WG-5334-10

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Matthew Dudley, Marine Machinery Mech, WG-5334-10
George Johnson, Marine Machinery Mech, WG-5334-10
Frank Galek, Marine Machinery Mech, WG-5334-10
Brian Kindig, Shipfitter (Welder), WG-3820-10
Christopher LaPorte, Shipfitter (Welder), WG-3820-10
Daniel Mallonee, Structural Worker (Shipfitting/Weld), WG-3801-8
Kristofer Smith, Structural Worker (Shipfitting/Weld), WG-3801-8
Jason Jerrell, Structural Worker (Shipfitting/Welding), WG-3801-8
Colin Hart, Structural Worker (Shipfitting/Welding), WG-3801-8
Shawn Ruhling, Sheetmetal Joiner Worker, WG-4701-8
Daniel Sames, Sheetmetal Joiner Worker, WG-4701-8
Robert Hilte, Painter Worker, WG-4102-7
Stacey Scott, Painter Worker, WG-4102-7
William Bittner, Painter, WG-4102-9
Leonard Herd, Rigger Leader, WL-5210-10
Thomas Maszczenski, Electrical Worker, WG-2805-8
Steven Behan, Electrical Worker, WG-2805-8
Chris Hamlett, Naval Architect Tech, GS-802-7

**Milestones
Promotions**

Joseph Hansberger-Evans, Electrician, WG-2805-10
Stephen Gately, Electrician, WG-2805-10
Jared Zyla, Electrician, WG-2805-10
Touraine Nickens, Electrician, WG-2805-10
John Driscoll Jr, Painter, WG-4102-9
Ed Zaruba, Painter, WG-4102-9
Aaron Bloch, Naval Architect Technician, GS-802-10
Steven Furgerson, Electronics Technician, GS-856-11
Chris Jenkins, Welder/Shipfitter, WG-3703-10
Carson McCoy, Painter, WG-4102-9
Daniel Zyla, Painter Leader, WL-4102-9
James Johnston, Production Controller, GS-1152-12
Robert Jacobs, Marine Mach Mech Supervisor, WS-5334-15
Tim Behan, Marine Machinery Mech Supervisor, WS-5334-10
Brett Sturgeon, Sheetmetal/Joiner Mechanic, WG-4701-10
Phillip O'Neal, Pipefitter, WG-4204-10
John Smith, Pipefitter, WG-4204-10

Yard Enlisted Member of the Quarter



*YN3 Melissa Lakotish, SPO
FY 13, Fourth Quarter*

Yard Civilian of the Quarter



*Michael Handsom, Outside Machine Shop
FY 13, Fourth Quarter*

Yard Enlisted Member of the Quarter



*YN3 Oquanna Wolfe, SPO
FY 14, First Quarter*

Yard Civilian of the Quarter



*Tim Behan, Outside Machine Shop
FY 14, First Quarter*

Baltimore Federal Executive Board Presents 2014 “Excellence In Federal Career Awards”

The Baltimore Federal Executive Board will sponsor the 47th Annual “Excellence In Federal Career Awards” ceremony on Friday, May 2 at the Martin’s West Banquet Center in Woodlawn, Maryland. This year, the Yard has five Bronze Medal winners; four individual Silver Medal Finalists, and one Silver Medal Finalist team. The Silver Medal finalists will compete with other nominated federal employees in their respective categories for the coveted Gold Medal.

The competition is the “Academy Awards” for civil service and military personnel in the Baltimore area. Gold,

silver, and bronze medals signifying excellence in job performance will be awarded to over 200 winners representing sixteen job categories of competition.

The Yard’s Silver Medal finalists are: Ron Viands, Outstanding Supervisor, GS-13 & Above; Tim Sheppard, Outstanding Supervisor, Trades & Crafts; CWO Tim Fields, Outstanding Professional (Administrative Management & Specialist); Douglas Rutherford, Rookie Employee of the Year, Trades and Crafts, and CGC BEAR Fire Team (Michael Ebert, Shane McLucas, Dennis Ober, Robert Mitten,

Keith Hare), Outstanding Administrative Work Group/Team.

The Yard’s Bronze Medal winners are: Donald Riddle, Outstanding Administrative Assistant/Management Assistant; Enidel “Eddie” Torres, Outstanding Trades and Crafts (Non-Supervisory); Bruce Youngbar, Distinguished Public Service Career; Teresa Byrd, Rookie Employee of the Year, Administrative/Management Assistant, and Kevin Grasson, Rookie Employee of the Year, Technical Scientific & Program Support.

Congratulations from the Yard family!

Local Combined Federal Campaign Selects Chuck Seekford “Keyworker of the Year”

The Chesapeake Bay Area Combined Federal Campaign (CBA-CFC) held its annual award ceremony on April 1st at Fort Meade, Maryland, to thank all the 2013 CFC volunteers for their contributions and help that raised over \$6.2 million for over 3000 charities during last year’s campaign. Award categories included Spirit of the Community Award; Coordinator of the Year; Eagle Award Winners; Stars & Stripes Award Winners; Million Dollar Club; Congressional Cup, and Keyworker of the Year Award.

The latter award is presented to an individual who goes beyond his or her duties to make the one-on-one “Ask,” tell the CFC story, and solicit contributions for the campaign. This year’s award was bestowed to Chuck Seekford, Yard Keyworker for the Electro Group, X30, for the past seven years. Chuck is the Yard’s Information Security Specialist and has worked at the shipyard since 1992. His passion for the CFC and his motivation to help neighbors in need are well known throughout the Yard.

Eight finalists competed for this year’s Keyworker of the Year Award representing the following federal agencies: US Postal Service Baltimore,

US Postal Service Newark, Delaware; Defense Media Activity; US Naval Academy; HUD-Baltimore Field Office; Aberdeen Proving Ground; US Coast Guard Yard, and Defense Information Systems Agency.

Commenting on Chuck Seekford’s win, CBA-CFC Director Donna Talbert remarked, “This year’s winner of the “Keyworker of the Year Award” has been a champion for CFC for many years. One of the hallmarks

of his campaign is the 100% “Ask.” Because of this year’s winner, his agency has developed a true “culture” around giving to the campaign. And, because of his obvious dedication and enthusiasm, he has continually motivated all his colleagues to participate. This is an extraordinary accomplishment. His success can also be attributed to his use of best practices, like doughnut breakfast kick offs and chili thank you lunches.

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Colonel Jeremy Martin, Chair of the 2013 Chesapeake Bay Area Combined Federal Campaign and Commandant of the Department of Defense Information School, presents the “Keyworker of the Year” Award to Chuck Seekford for his years of dedicated service to the CFC. (Photo courtesy of CFC)

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Over the past six years, Chuck Seekford has solicited the Electro Group that includes Electric, Electronics, and Ordnance Shops at the Coast Guard Yard. Because of his personal dedication, over that time he raised more than \$87,000 for charities that are helping our communities here, around the country, and the world.”

The CBA-CFC includes 650 federal agencies and post offices in central and western Maryland, all of Delaware, and select counties in Virginia and West Virginia. The campaign ran from September 1, 2013 to January 15, 2014.

The Yard family congratulates Chuck Seekford on this well deserved honor and recognition for his many years of devotion to “Sharing Is Caring For Those In Need.”

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