



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

USS REEVES (CG-24)

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IN REPLY REFER TO

1 March 1983

Dear REEVES Families:

February is the shortest month in the calendar year, and you can be assured that REEVES crewmembers were glad to see it pass. Every passing month moves REEVES that much closer to completion of the Baseline Overhaul. A ship in dry dock is like a fish out of water, and we are all anxious to get REEVES back to sea.

February was especially pleasing to me, because I was able to do one of the things I enjoy most, recognizing a portion of the crew for their outstanding service in various capacities onboard REEVES and in other commands. Due to the cold climate and the lack of space onboard REEVES while in overhaul status, an Awards Ceremony was held in the Yokosuka Naval Base Theatre on 4 February and the following individuals were applauded:

- Food Service Attendant of the Month: QMSN Bernhard SMITH for December; HTFN Scotty LANE for November; BTFA Victor PORTILLO for October and OSSN Ronald TIEMAN for September.

- SK1 Michael NORMAND received a Letter of Appreciation from U.S. Naval Supply Depot, Yokosuka, Japan, for his outstanding assistance with retention.

- DK1 David JUCO received a Letter of Appreciation from USS KIRK (FF-1087) for his assistance with processing travel claims.

- YNSN Eric WENZEL received a Letter of Appreciation from USS REEVES (CG-24) for his work with Japanese children.

- SR Richard SLUBAR received a Letter of Appreciation from Fleet Combat Training Center, Atlantic, for exemplary military appearance during a change of command ceremony.

- FTMI George POOLE received a Letter of Commendation from USS REEVES (CG-24) for outstanding performance of duties and selection as REEVES' Sailor of the Quarter (E5 and above division).

- BM1 Fred CATCOTT received a Letter of Commendation from USS REEVES (CG-24) for selection as Operations Department's nomination for REEVES' Sailor of the Quarter.

- BM1 Nathaniel HARRISON received a Letter of Commendation from the Housing Manager, DOD Housing Facility Novato, California, for outstanding care of government quarters.

- ET2 Philip MOLTER received a Letter of Commendation from Naval Construction Battalion Forty for outstanding performance.

- BM3 Brad BUTLER received a Letter of Commendation from USS REEVES (CG-24) for selection as REEVES' Sailor of the Quarter (E4 and below division).

- GIMSA David PHLIEGER received a Letter of Commendation from USS REEVES (CG-24) for superior performance of duty.

- REEVES Appreciation Plaque was presented to MS1 Robert TAYLOR for his outstanding assistance with the 1982 REEVES' Tiger Cruise.

- STG2 Paul CHISM received a Letter of Commendation from USS REEVES (CG-24) for selection as REEVES' Sailor of the Quarter (E5 and above division).

- BMSN Lonnie SCHUSTER received a Letter of Commendation from USS REEVES (CG-24) for selection as REEVES' Sailor of the Quarter (E4 and below division).

- Engineering Officer of the Watch Qualification Letters were presented to LTJG Len LEBLANC, ENS Rowley MOLINA and BTC Thomas SOWELL.

- Good Conduct Medals were awarded to: BTCM John ARMSTRONG (Sixth Award); STJCS Michael HARDY (Fifth Award); BTC Thomas SOWELL (Fourth Award); MAC Zane STRADER (Third Award); STG1 Adrian FULLERTON (Fourth Award); MS1 Robert TAYLOR (Fourth Award); OS1 Stephen LENNON (Third Award); MM1 Carl NEWELL (Second Award); OS1 John DUFFY (Second Award); EM2 Herman DOCUSIN (First Award); BT2 Don STALEY (First Award) and GMM2 Anderson STACY (First Award).

- 45 Caliber Pistol Qualifications were awarded to: ENS Terry RAGAN (Marksman Ribbon); MS1 Robert TAYLOR (Marksman Ribbon); FTM1 Karl MAERZ (Expert Pistol Ribbon); OS2 Ronald MORRISON (Sharpshooter Ribbon); DS3 Frank MICKENS (Marksman Ribbon).

- Certificates of Appointment for advancement were awarded to: RMC Garry WAFFLE, MAC Zane STRADER, OS1 John DUFFY, OS1 Robert KENNEY, OS1 Scott LOCKE, BT1 Richard MANIS, FTM1 George POOLE, GMT1 Marty VEROSTEK, OS2 Lee COLLINS, BT2 Don STALEY, GMM2 Ronald BATISTE, SM2 David BRAINERD, ET2 Philip JACKSON, BM2 Stephen LEGARD, GMM2 Jeffery PROULX, QM2 James DAY and STG3 Darrell PETERS.

- OSCS William FALLON received the Navy Achievement Medal from Commander Training Command, U.S. Pacific Fleet.

- MS1 Robert TAYLOR received the Navy Achievement Medal from USS REEVES (CG-24).

- OS1 Thomas BERRY received the Navy Achievement Medal from USS REEVES (CG-24).

- STG2 Paul CHISM received the Navy Achievement Medal from USS REEVES (CG-24).

- EM2 Joseph TORCHIA received the Navy Achievement Medal from USS REEVES (CG-24).

- OSCS William FALLON received the Navy Commendation Awarded for outstanding service at Fleet Training Group, Western Pacific.

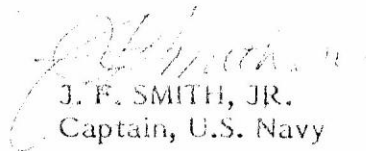
- ENS Todd LARSEN received the Navy Commendation Medal for outstanding service at Fleet Training Group, Western Pacific.

Those who were recognized as well as many fellow crewmembers in attendance are to be highly commended for their continuing effort to project a positive attitude of "Pride and Professionalism." You can be very proud of your crewmember.

A hearty "Welcome Aboard" is extended to the following men who joined REEVES in February: EMC Benjamin LUMALU, DS2 James ROSS, ET3 Russell COLETTI, QM3 Daniel TALCOTT, BT3 Thomas LAMONICA, EW3 Bobby DAVIS, ET3 Byron BUSTAMANTE, TMSN John REA, FA Charles BURNS, RMSA Lemans CRUEL, EMFA James JOHNSON, SR Carino FERDINAND, SR Sandau PETERS, FR Robert CHANDLER and MMFR Laurence MCINNIS.

With February behind us, so is the worst part of the winter, we hope. Looking ahead to Spring, we anticipate good weather to arrive by the end of March. Our softball teams are eager and already starting to work out. Keep us in your thoughts as we do you.

Sincerely,



J. F. SMITH, JR.
Captain, U.S. Navy