CAPTAIN'S CORNER

During this Thanksgiving and as we approach our first "Nine" series, I think it is well to return to our own blessings back home and understand why it is that we are here and what we stand for.

Though many of us are here at this time last year for many others this will be the first time. It is important for us to remember that what we are doing is vital and important.

It appeared at that time of Thanksgiving many years ago when the Pilgrims gathered together after a difficult year to give thanks, it will be many years to come as you spend Thanksgiving with your families and loved ones. You will be able to enjoy your time and the peace you have been given.

You need to be prepared for both the good and the bad. You need to be ready to handle any situation that may arise.

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Thanksgiving is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the Providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humble to implore his protection and favor; and whereas both houses of Congress have, by their joint resolution, recommended us to remember the people of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer, to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts and many and signal favors of Almighty God, especially by affording them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness.

Now therefore, I do recommend and assign Thursday, the 26th day of November next, to be devoted by the people of the United States to the service of that great and glorious Being, who is the Beneficent Author of all the good that was, is, or will be. That into His sincere and humble thanks for His kind care and protection of the people of this country, previous to their becoming a nation for the signal and manifold mercies and the favorable interpositions of His Providence, in the course and conclusion of the last war; for the great degree of tranquillity, union, and plenty, which we have enjoyed, far beyond the reasonable and natural expectation in which we have been enabled to establish constitutions of government for our safety and happiness, and particularly the national one now lately instituted: For the civil and religious liberty which we are blessed with, and for the constant and most signal assistance and protection in the moment of perilous distress.

And also, that we may then be united in most hearty offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Father of nations, and beseech Him to pardon our national and other transgressions; to enable us all, whether public or private stations, to perform our several and relative duties properly and punctually; to render our national government a blessing to all people, by constantly using a governor of wise, just, and constitutional maxims, and the science, among them and us; and generally, to grant unto all nations such a degree of tranquility and prosperity as shall be most for their peace, safety, and happiness.

George Washington.

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A Thanksgiving To God For His House

- Robert Herrick

Thanksgiving To Many Things

- Ralph Dexter

Thanksgiving is not merely... It is labor and skill... a cheerful fire... a family together...
Six New CPO’s
Initiated 16 Nov

The goal of every enlisted man was realized on 16 Nov when six new CPO’s were initiated. Their names were celebrated throughout the Navy:

- Paul Hinton, BCC of B-division
- William L. Souther, BCC of A-division
- Robert L. Bagwell, BCC of C-division
- William W. Lee, BCC of D-division
- Robert W. Reed, BCC of E-division
- Robert C. Clare, BCC of F-division

The six new CPO’s were named after ships or aircraft:

- Paul Hinton was named after the ship USS Paul Hinton.
- William L. Souther was named after the ship USS Souther.
- Robert L. Bagwell was named after the ship USS Bagwell.
- William W. Lee was named after the ship USS Lee.
- Robert W. Reed was named after the ship USS Reed.
- Robert C. Clare was named after the ship USS Clare.

The names were selected by the current CPO’s of each division, and the new CPO’s were expected to carry on the tradition of excellence set by their predecessors.

Chief Cullity Ends Career

Master Chief Aviation Engineer, Charles O. Cullity, began his career in 1942 and retired in 1966. He served in various capacities during his 24-year career, including a tour in Vietnam. Cullity was a legend in the aviation community and was known for his expertise and leadership.

Cullity’s last assignment was as the commanding officer of the Naval Air Station in San Diego. He retired in 1966 after 24 years of service.

Photo Contest Closes 31 Dec 66

The Photo Contest, held from 1 Jan to 31 Dec 66, is open to all active-duty sailors, marines, and dependents. The contest is sponsored by the Naval Photographic Activity, and the winning photos will be exhibited at the Aviation Hall of Fame and Museum in Pensacola, Florida.

The contest is divided into three categories:

- Aircraft
- Shipboard
- Landscape

The first prize is $100, and the second and third prizes are $50 each.

The contest rules are available on the AVB website, and all entries must be submitted by 31 Dec 66.
A brilliant sun burst through the rain clouds as Kitty Hawk said goodbye to San Diego and took her first step on a long RedFleet journey. The golden brilliance seemed to try to cheer and transform the faces of the people among Kitty Hawk's masses lining the weather deck and their loved ones on the quay wall. The reality of separation became less painful as the knowledge that the service in Vietnam seemed to indicate the importance of Kitty Hawk's mission to those on the quay wall and to friends living around the world.

The determination etched on the faces of those watching the ship gave no more than proof of Kitty Hawk's mission when he said, "This also serves who stand and wait." But everywhere all over the hangar deck as "all visitors" were requested to leave the ship, killed from the MCM said more than goodbyes - they promised a more-than-adequate recognition of festivities on the ship's return. The ship's duty now is to retrive an act of America and loved ones such as her in her performance.
Kitty Hawk, You Ought To Be In Pictures

For the second time in less than a year was a hair, Kitty Hawk was the setting for a Hollywood movie production. On it was a big-budget, Liberty International Productions of Hollywood, transformed the flight deck of Kitty Hawk into a movie set for the filming of the film, "Maid of the Skies,". The film was under a countercultural influence, starring Don Pedro Olmos, Debrah Farentino, and Kirk Douglas of the "Cinema" television show.

Van Dyke, no stranger to counterculture fame, the "Walk on Us" is an all-black system with record sales in the thousands of 60,000. Kirk Douglas, Kitty Hawk's wife, in the company of former football great, the thousand of millions.

The story concerns a man who, while on vacation in Mexico, falls in love with a talented young woman. Matters are complicated when Van Dyke's actress date, Debrah Farentino, returns to the movie set and Van Dyke falls for Debrah Farentino.

The final scene of the movie is filmed aboard Kitty Hawk when Van Dyke returns to the ship to film a benefit show. In those scenes, approximately 1,500 Kitty Hawk sailors had a chance to see a movie in the water.

The thousands of feet of film, however, were a problem that is found only on the Hollywood set. In this case, the flight deck of Kitty Hawk. Many crew members were the opportunity to come into contact with several of the stars while off the set.

The movie, scheduled to be released in March 1967, will be the cost of Debrah Farentino's salary. "What Am I Big?" is the title of the film. It is expected to be the second major release on the film circuit. With a cast of thousands in hand, she usually worked on the 1,500 movie stars of Kitty Hawk.
VF-213 Wins Naval Safety Award

Fighter Squadron VF-213’s CO, Lieutenant Commander Vincent J. Mazzotta, was awarded the 1966 Naval Aviation Safety Award on 16 October in a ceremony held at the Naval Air Station in Whidbey Island, Washington. The award was presented by Rear Admiral W. P. Driscoll, Deputy Director of the Naval Air Systems Command, to Commander Mazzotta in recognition of the squadron’s outstanding safety record during the year. The ceremony was attended by Admiral R. N. H. Johnson, Commander of the Pacific Fleet, and other high-ranking officers from the Navy and the Marine Corps.

Commander Mazzotta presents safety award to Commander Mazzotta

VF-213 flew more than 1,800 sorties during the year, with no accidents involving serious personnel injury. The squadron’s safety record is considered exceptional, especially considering the demanding nature of the fighter pilot’s job. The commanding officer, Commander Mazzotta, attributed the success to the dedicated efforts of all members of the squadron.

Five “Black Lions” Decorated for Vietnam Air War

Five pilots from VF-213 were presented with Distinguished Flying Crosses for their service during the Vietnam War. The awards were presented by Vice Admiral P. M. Huse, Deputy Director of the Naval Air Systems Command, at a ceremony held on 16 October at Whidbey Island Naval Air Station. The pilots were recognized for their bravery and dedication in the face of enemy attack.

LT. Robert L.Elements, LT. Robert M. Vail, LT. Robert A. Vail, and LT. Robert H. Vail were awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for their service in Vietnam. LT. Robert L. Elements was awarded the award for his heroism in a single combat mission. LT. Robert M. Vail was awarded the award for his heroism in a multiple combat mission. LT. Robert A. Vail was awarded the award for his heroism in a single combat mission. LT. Robert H. Vail was awarded the award for his heroism in a multiple combat mission.

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The awards were presented in recognition of the pilots’ exceptional heroism and dedication to duty.

USMC Observes 1911st

In commemoration of the 1911th Marine Corps Birthday, the USMC conducted a series of events at the US Marine Corps Base in Quantico, Virginia. The events included a parade, a ceremony held at the main gate of the base, and a dinner attended by high-ranking officers from the Marine Corps and other military branches.

Kitty Hawk’s Marine Detachment Helps Celebrate the Corps’ 1911 Birthday

The Marine detachment stationed at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, participated in the Marine Corps Birthday celebration. The detachment conducted a parade, a ceremony held at the main gate of the base, and a dinner attended by high-ranking officers from the Marine Corps and other military branches.

Lt. Col. Mike Nettleton enjoys the company of a pretty Hawaiian girl.

On the evening of 10 November, the detachment went ashore in Pearl Harbor to further celebrate their Corps’ 1911th Birthday at the Naval Air Station in Pearl. The festivities consisted of a dinner, followed by a ballroom dance with dancers from the United States Marine Corps. The Marine detachment also visited the “Queen Surf,” and tried to learn the local dance moves from the native girls.

What’s a little rain between two lovers?

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Hancock Best Fighter in Pearl

You may have seen him in the ship's gym in a corner, or possibly earlier in the morning. Hancock is known as 'Pearl Harbor' but once you've met him, you won't forget him. He's the man who made it possible for the United States to win the war. Hancock, a well-known artist and musician, recently visited the headquarters of the Pearl Harbor Veterans Association. Hancock's presence was met with great enthusiasm, as his art and music were celebrated throughout the base. Hancock, along with a group of other artists, held a special event at the base, showcasing his work and sharing his stories with the veterans.

Offered For Contract

In 1983, he was offered a contract for the American Artistic. He had previously worked for the American Artistic and had already shown potential in the field. Hancock, who had been interested in art since a young age, was eager to take on this new challenge. He signed the contract and began working on his first project. The project was a success, and Hancock's name began to be recognized in the art world.

Right - Hancock waves with Dave Brubeck, 917, in ship's area

Below - Hancock steps up with a hard left hook

Alcindor Ready To Bring NCAA Championship Back To UCLA

Bruins' 11th Giant

Alcindor was a 6-foot-10-inch center for the UCLA Bruins, and was considered one of the best college basketball players in the country. He led the Bruins to three consecutive NCAA championships in 1968, 1969, and 1970. His skill on the court and his leadership off it made him a role model for many young people. He was named the Most Valuable Player of the NCAA Tournament in 1969 and was a first-team All-American selection in all four years of his college career. After graduating from UCLA, Alcindor was drafted by the Milwaukee Bucks and went on to become one of the greatest NBA players of all time, winning five NBA championships and two MVP awards.

Quiz:

1. What is the capital of Texas? Austin
2. What is the capital of California? Sacramento
3. Who is the current governor of New York? Andrew Cuomo
4. Who was the first president of the United States? George Washington
5. What is the official language of France? French

Answers:

1. Austin
2. Sacramento
3. Andrew Cuomo
4. George Washington
5. French