

U.S.S. NAUTILUS
Deep
SUBMERGENCE CRUIOGRAPH



To all Land lubbers and Seafarers
Ahoy!

Be it known by All the Subjects of My Vast Domain,
that on the Third day of April 1942, this vessel in
Latitude 37°43'N and Longitude 123°09'W penetrated the
Verdant Deeps on her Deep Submergence Test and
reached a record depth of 350 feet (Gauge Limit)
west of the Farallons off San Francisco, California.
Furthermore Know Ye that I was honored by the presence of
William D. Morast, S.M.3.c.

in this vessel and all World War II Sailors, Equatorial
Shellbacks, Shallow water Skimmers or other
Unseaworthy hulks are hereby commanded to accord
him the respect due one of his quality and dignity who
having been Neptune's Guest, is esteemed

A REPRIRE WORTHY

Davy Jones
Scribbener

T.W. Hogan
Ensign



Neptunes Red
Ruler

R.W. Johnson
EXC. OFFICER

Wm. H. Brockman
COMMANDING

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SUBMARINES, PACIFIC FLEET

Care of Fleet Post Office,
San Francisco, California,

30 JUN 1942

From: The Commander Submarines, Pacific Fleet.
To : MORAST, William D., SM2c., U. S. Navy.
Via : The Commanding Officer, U.S.S. NAUTILUS (SS168).
Subject: Commendation.

1. During the engagement off Midway Island in June, 1942, the U.S.S. NAUTILUS is credited with having attacked and sunk a screened enemy aircraft carrier of 10,000 tons. The attack on the carrier was aggressively conducted despite strong and repeated enemy counter measures which consisted of depth charging and gunfire barrage by surface craft as well as bombing by aircraft. The control of the submarine and the conduct of the personnel of the NAUTILUS during the engagement with the enemy are indicative of the high state of training and the efficient cooperation of the personnel attached to this ship.

2. As a member of the crew of the NAUTILUS, your performance of duty was an important and material contribution to the success of this mission. The Commander Submarines, Pacific Fleet, is pleased to commend you on your splendid performance of duty.

3. A copy of this commendation will be made a part of your official record.

R.H. English

R. H. ENGLISH,
Rear Admiral, U.S. Navy.

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28 NOV 1944

From: Chief of Naval Personnel.
To : CinC, S/M Trainact, Manitowoc, Wisconsin.
Subj: Presidential Unit Citation - Notice of award.
Ref : (a) General Order 187 dated 3 February 1943, amended by
Alnav 187-43.

1. The Presidential Unit Citation has been awarded to the U.S.S. NAUTILUS for outstanding performance during three aggressive war patrols.
2. In accordance with reference (a) the following men who were attached to that unit and who participated in the action for which it was cited are authorized to wear the enclosed ribbon bar with blue enamel star:

WILLIAM DON MORAST
Signalman Second Class, U.S. Navy

3. A facsimile of the citation will be forwarded to the above men when the information contained therein is no longer of value to the enemy and is released to the public.
4. A copy of this authorization has been made a part of the official record of the personnel concerned.

By direction of Chief of Naval Personnel.

Hunter Wood, Jr.
HUNTER WOOD, Jr.
Captain, USN
Assistant Director
Enlisted Performance Division

Encl:

(1) Ribbon Bar with Blue Enamel Star