Change of Command

PROGRAM

U.S.S. CLARKE COUNTY

USS CLARKE COUNTY (LST-601)

U.S. NAVAL STATION

GUAM, MARIANA ISLANDS
Lieutenant Commander GOLDSBERRY enlisted in the Navy on 30 June 1944 at Waterloo, Iowa, and underwent recruit training at Great Lakes, Illinois. After serving in a number of sea billets, including a destroyer and an aircraft carrier, and attending several service schools, he advanced to the rating of Chief Electrician’s Mate on 16 June 1952.

LCDR GOLDSBERRY was selected for the Navy’s Integration Program and upon graduation from Officer Candidate School at Newport, Rhode Island, was commissioned Ensign on 15 August 1958. Since commissioning, his billets have included Engineer Officer of the USS R. L. WILSON (DDE-847), Harbor Master of the U. S. Naval Station, Norfolk, Virginia, and Executive Officer of the USS TALBOT COUNTY (LST-1153).

In November 1965 LCDR GOLDSBERRY reported to the Philadelphia Group, Atlantic Reserve Fleet, to become Prospective Commanding Officer of the USS CLARKE COUNTY (LST-601) during its reactivation period at the New York Shipbuilding Corporation, Camden, New Jersey. When the CLARKE COUNTY was recommissioned at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on 28 July 1966, LCDR GOLDSBERRY assumed command.

LCDR GOLDSBERRY is the son of Mr. Harold A. GOLDSBERRY of La Porte City, Iowa and Mrs. R. L. WISE, Sr., of Phoenix, Arizona. His wife is the former Phyllis Lucille HOLMAN of Waterloo, Iowa. They have a daughter, Lucy Jane, and a son, Harold.

Lieutenant BLACK was commissioned Ensign on 7 June 1961 after graduation from the U. S. Naval Academy. His first tour of duty was aboard the USS LESTER (DE-1022) where he served as MPA, DCA, and Engineer Officer.

In January 1964 LT BLACK was assigned to the U. S. Naval Destroyer School, Newport, Rhode Island. After graduation he served aboard the Royal Netherlands Ship HR. Ms. AMSTERDAM (D-819) as part of the Navy’s officer exchange program. His billet was CIC Officer of the Dutch destroyer.

LT BLACK next served aboard the USS PORTERFIELD (DD-682) as Engineer Officer. During his tour the ship deployed to the Vietnam area twice.

LT BLACK is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. BLACK of Jersey City, New Jersey. He attended Saint Peter’s Preparatory School prior to entering the Naval Academy.
Program

"Ships Company, Attention. Guests please remain seated."

CEREMONIAL PARTY ARRIVE
"Ships Company, Parade Rest"

WELCOME BY
LIEUTENANT JUNIOR GRADE A. K. JOHNSON, USN
EXECUTIVE OFFICER
USS CLARKE COUNTY (LST-601)

"Distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen officers and men, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to this change of command at the USS Clarke County."

NATIONAL ANTHEM

"Please rise for the National Anthem. Ships Company, Attention."

INVOCATION
LIEUTENANT COMMANDER
MARVIN L. EYLER, CHC, USN
PROTESTANT CHAPLAIN
U. S. NAVAL STATION, GUAM
"Please be seated"

"...God H. A. Goldsberry."

REMARKS AND READING OF ORDERS
LIEUTENANT COMMANDER
HAROLD A. GOLDSBERRY, USN

READING OF ORDERS AND REMARKS
LIEUTENANT JOHN W. BLACK, USN

"Please rise for the benediction. Military personnel will remain covered.

Benediction

"This concludes the ceremony. A reception is being held in the Wardroom and mess decks."