



The OAKLEAF

In the Supply Corps Family

Gil and Jacki Cisneros recognized for their gift to the Foundation



Foundation Board Chairman, retired CAPT John Kizer, presents Gilbert and Jacki Cisneros with a plaque in appreciation for their generous contribution in support of the Foundation Scholarship program.

Gilbert and Jacki Cisneros are passionate about giving back to their community. In October, they put their passion into action, presenting a check for \$100,000 to the Foundation to help support the scholarship program.

A 1994 graduate of George Washington University (thanks to a ROTC scholarship) and subsequently the Navy Supply Corps School, Gil served on USS *Roanoke* and then went into the gator Navy onboard the USS *Ogden*. He was assigned to MPS 1 in the Mediterranean, which he calls with a smile "the best tour I ever had!" and then wrapped up his service as the supply officer for Cargo Handling Battalion 3.

Gil left the Navy in 2004 and he and his wife Jacki settled in Pico Rivera, Calif., her hometown. Having earned an MBA from Regis University, Gil was busy in the private sector; Jacki, a USC graduate, was employed as the overnight assignment editor for the NBC affiliate in Los Angeles. Last spring they suddenly found them-

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Foundation elects new members, begins work on long-range plan

Five new Board members were elected at the recent Foundation Board meeting in Athens, Ga. Newly elected members include retired Rear Admirals Linda Bird and Tom Hill and retired Captains Bud Schiff and Bill Scott. Captain Dan Pionk rounds out the group. At the same time, CAPT (Ret.) John Kizer, Chairman of the Board, said farewell to three members, including Mr. Charlie Sigety, retired RADM Steve Maas, and retired CAPT Mike Kalas. Kizer thanked them all for their exceptional service.

In conjunction with the Board meeting, association presidents and representatives met to learn about new Foundation initiatives and to share ideas and concerns with other associations.

In other Board business, Kizer announced that the Foundation office would remain in Athens, as the

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Board Chairman retired CAPT John Kizer, center, bids farewell to Board members retired RADM Steve Maas and retired CAPT Mike Kalas. Mr. Charles Sigety, not pictured, is also a departing member of the Board.

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Greetings from the President

We have just experienced a bitter-sweet day in the life of our Corps with the final graduating class and official closure of Navy Supply Corps School, Athens. To the thousands of us who were fortunate enough to have had the pleasure of that wonderful six-month experience, it holds many fond and lifelong memories. The good news is that we are negotiating with the University of Georgia to remain on the campus and hope to have that settled by year's end. So for the foreseeable future, USNSCF Headquarters will be in Athens!

We look forward to continuing our close relationship with the Supply Corps School as they head north to Newport, R.I., and will be frequent visitors to recognize honor graduates and

introduce new Distinguished Alumni to the students.

Our Board of Directors meeting was filled with a lot of excitement and action, as you can see from this issue. Upcoming issues of *The Oakleaf* will give you an update on some of the new programs we intend to initiate in the near future....stay tuned!

Finally, please remember "Human Web 2010," We want to contact as many of our former Supply Corps officers as possible. If you have stayed in contact with any of your classmates from NSCS who got out, let us know who and where they are. Just send any information you have to our Chief Staff Officer, CDR Jack Evans, evans@usnscf.com or by mail to the Foundation office in Athens.

CAPT John Kizer, SC, USN (Ret.)

Cisneros' recognized for contribution

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selves with a winning lottery ticket and a series of choices about what they wanted to do with their lives.

For Gil and Jacki, the answer was simple. The couple was active in their church and their community. They wanted to give back. Gil was the first member of his family to graduate from college: Jacki's mom held that

distinction in her family. "The only way to move up is through education," Jacki said, and they decided that education would be a primary focus of the newly established Gilbert and Jacki Cisneros Foundation.

Fellow Supply Corps officer LCDR Rod Gayton, a longtime friend, was the one who put Gil in touch with the Foundation. "Don't forget your roots" Gil recalls him saying, and their recent donation is the result of that reminder.

In addition to education and veterans' issues, the Foundation is a supporter of breast cancer research. "These are issues that are near and dear to us," says Jacki. "Not a lot of kids in our community graduate and go to college. We're hoping to give some of them that chance."



RADM (Ret.) Jim Allan and CDR Paul Bourgeois during the Foundation Board meeting.

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NASCA, Eltringham and Lattus recognized

The Naples Area Supply Corps Association (NASCA) was named Foundation Association of the Year at the October Navy Supply Corps Foundation Board meeting in Athens. In addition, retired CAPT Pete Eltringham was named retired volunteer of the year, while LT Gene Lattus was selected as active duty volunteer of the year.

In announcing the selection of NASCA, Board Chairman retired CAPT John Kizer noted that while Naples has only about 34 members, NASCA provides a host of programs, includ-

ing "professional support, personal development, mentoring, camaraderie, networking and community support." Kizer especially noted the Naples Used Uniform Sale Program, established by NASCA, which allowed service members to purchase used uniforms at significantly discounted prices, saving \$35,000 last year. "NASCA's focus, accomplishments and actions have made a lasting and positive impact on the Naples community, assigned U. S. Forces and local Supply Corps officers and families," he said.

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CAPT Pete Eltringham, SC, USN (Ret.) has been named retired volunteer of the year.

NSCS Athens closes; January is first class in Newport

By LTJG John Bing, Navy Supply Corps School Public Affairs Officer

The 57 year history of the Navy Supply Corps School in Athens, Ga., ended officially at the end of October. The last BQC class graduated from Athens on October 29, followed by a closing ceremony featuring RADM (Ret.) Ted Walker, a member of the first class in 1954, and VADM (Ret.) Dan McCarthy, keynote speaker and a former Commanding Officer of the school, representing the 11 former Commanding Officers in attendance.

The first Battalion of BQC students in Newport will begin class on January 10, 2011. On January 24 the official opening ceremony will take place in Newport, R.I.

Since the Navy Supply Corps School was selected for closure as a part of the Base Realignment and Closure Act of 2005, the military and civilian staff of Naval Support Activity Athens and Navy Supply Corps School has taken great strides to ensure that the transition from Athens to Newport goes without delay, as well as the turnover of our base to the University of Georgia and the Georgia Medical College.

This past August a small detachment of staff officially took ownership of the new building on Naval Station Newport, in efforts to support our relocation.

Their diligent work has ensured that the building will be able to support the influx of staff and students as well as be operationally ready for the new class. The small staff, headed by LCDR Antonio Carmichael, has spent numerous hours reviewing a multitude of checklists so that every aspect of the building is in optimal shape. "Our job here is to ensure that the building we are set to take from the contractors is pristine and that all of the classroom equipment has been operationally tested before the first class of BQC students walks through the door," said LT Llahn McGhie, a Supply School instructor.

There have been many hours of hard work and dedication spent to



The new Navy Supply Corps School in Newport, R.I., provides a state of the art learning facility.

ensure that the school in Athens, Ga., has been prepared for turnover to the University of Georgia. LCDR Carmichael and his crew have been working equally hard to ensure that the new school in Newport is more than prepared for the new students and staff. The relocation will be a smooth transition and the Navy Supply Corps School and the "Cradle of the Corps" will have a fresh, new beginning in Newport, R.I.



Foundation Board meets

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Navy Supply Corps School moves up to Newport. Kizer will also be convening a small group of board members to begin work on a new long range plan for the Foundation. The group would call on others to participate as needed. "We need to look ahead for the next three to five years," he said, adding that he expected that a draft plan would be presented to the Board at the April 2011 meeting.

Kizer encouraged members with input and ideas to send them to the Foundation's Chief Staff Officer retired CDR Jack Evans at evans@usnscf.com.



Above from left, CAPT (Ret.) Alan Rieper, CDR Jeff Carrillo, CAPT (Ret.) Kurt Libby, and CAPT Bob Gantt attended the October Association Presidents Meeting in Athens.

Below, retired RADM Linda Bird is welcomed as a new Board member by retired CAPT John Kizer, current Chairman of the Board.



In Memoriam

The Oakleaf is aware of the following members of the Supply Corps community who passed away over the past few months. Names are also listed on www.usnscf.com along with available obituaries. Please let us know of those who have passed away for this column by forwarding information to TheOakleaf@comcast.net. Sometimes the information received by *The Oakleaf* is incomplete. If you have dates of passing for any of the community members at the bottom of the list below, please pass them on to TheOakleaf@comcast.net.

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New enhancements offered on website

Donors can now use their credit cards to set up a monthly donation to the Foundation to support scholarships, Supply Corps heritage and more. For example, just \$83.33 a month will provide a \$1,000 donation in a year's time.

The ability to set up a monthly donation to the Foundation via a credit card is one of the new capabilities now available on the Foundation website. All payments go through the secure Paypal system currently in use for Ship's Store purchases and signing up for paid events.

To make a recurring donation, sign on to the website at www.usnscf.com, select "Giving" and then "Make a donation online" in the second paragraph. There is a block on the donation page to select recurring donation. It is important to note that the same process is required to cancel the donation to stop the monthly charge. A space is available to designate a gift for a specific program or scholarship.

Another enhancement recently made to the website is an alphabetical listing of the names on In Memoriam, the Foundation's tribute to passing members. There is a listing by last

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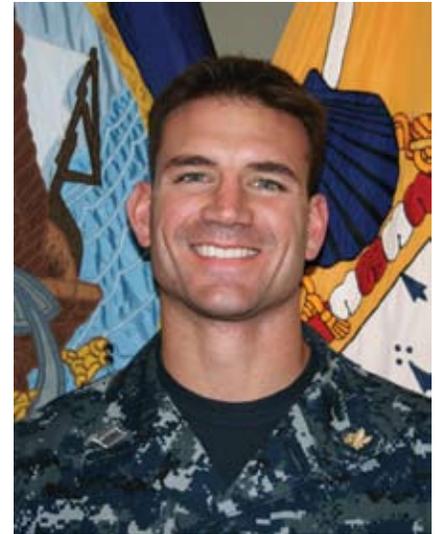
name as well as by date. The link to In Memoriam is in the upper right corner of the Foundation's homepage under "Quicklinks."

A website is a dynamic entity. The Foundation's Board of Directors and Communications Committee are constantly reviewing the Foundation's website and looking for improvements to better meet the needs of the organization. Ideas and suggestions can be sent to webadmin@usnscf.com. 

Association/Volunteers

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Nominated by WANSCA, retired CAPT Pete Eltringham was recognized as the "spark plug" that drives Supply Corps camaraderie in the Washington, D.C. Area. "Pete is a tireless and resourceful Navy Supply Corps Foundation and WANSCA



LT Gene Lattus, SC, USN, has been named active duty volunteer of the year.

promoter," said WANSCA President CAPT Harry Thetford. "His deep ties to the area and the DoD community enable him to garner sponsorship for fundraising events; and his strong contacts within the retired community ensure outstanding support."

LT Gene Lattus, nominated by the Supply Corps Association of Hawaii, was named active duty volunteer of the year. He was cited for his work "serving in various roles supporting SCAH's strategic management and execution of roughly fifty events, activities and projects." Of special note was his work with the association's mentoring program and his efforts re-engineering the association's administrative management procedures.



Scholarship Fund for CS2 Newlove children

A scholarship fund for the children of Culinary Specialist Second Class Jarod Newlove has been established by the Navy Supply Corps Foundation. Newlove was killed in July while serving with the Navy Reserve Force Command in Logar Province, Afghanistan. In addition to his wife Kimberley, he leaves behind a daughter Addison, 3, and a son Jordon, 1.

In Afghanistan he was assigned to NATO's Counter Insurgency Academy, which the Washington Post described as the place "where troops learn best practices in how to fight the Afghan war." Newlove was one of two Navy service members who disappeared in late July in eastern Afghanistan and were killed in an apparent Taliban ambush in Logar Province, the Post reported.

Newlove enlisted in the Navy in 2004 and his service included assignment to the USS *New Orleans*, based in San Diego, from August 2004 to December 2008. He had completed his active service and joined the Navy Reserves in 2009.

Contributions to the Newlove children's scholarship fund may be made payable to the Navy Supply Corps Foundation, with the name of the fund annotated in the memo block, and mailed to CDR Jack Evans, SC, USN (Ret), Chief Staff Officer, Navy Supply Corps Foundation, 1425 Prince Avenue, Athens, GA 30606.

To contribute online, go to www.usnscf.com and click on "Giving" and then on "Make a Donation Online" and complete the form. Make sure to note "Newlove children" in the box below "Designate your donation as a memorial or to a program or scholarship" towards the bottom of the page.

Boston area officers form USS Constitution Supply Corps Assn.

For decades a group of retired Supply Corps reservists in the Boston area have met twice a year for dinner and camaraderie at the Hanscom Air Force Base Officer's Club. This year the group formally became the USS Constitution Supply Corps Association, cementing a relationship with the Foundation, other regional associations and the Supply Corps community at large.

President of the USS Constitution SCA is retired CAPT Alan Rieper. He credits retired CAPT Art Silk with putting together the original mailing list of 60 names and keeping the group together since the 80s. "He is our role model and I am just following in his footsteps," Rieper says.

With only one or two active duty officers stationed in the Boston area, the USS Constitution SCA is home mainly to retired reservists. The group includes members from the Boston area as well as the North and South Shore of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and New Hampshire.

Their two dinner meetings a year include a program of some sort, and it was a presentation by the late RADM Ray Sareeram on the work of the Foundation that got them thinking about becoming an association, Rieper recalls.

Bylaws were put together and a vote of the membership was taken this spring and the USS Constitution SCA was

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Four of the members of the Board of the USS Constitution Chapter SCA are, from left, CAPT Bill McCarthy, Vice President; CAPT Bill McPherson, Director; CAPT Harry Weinberg, Director; and CAPT Alan Rieper, President. The photo was taken at a Board meeting held at the Union Oyster House in Boston. The historic Union Oyster House is the oldest restaurant in the USA, and the room the picture is taken in depicts different points of the famous "Freedom Trail" in Boston.

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Scholarship Profile

Foundation scholarship helps Allia Martinez achieve career goals

Allia Martinez, who holds the Foundation's Lockheed Martin Scholarship, is a sophomore at the University of South Alabama and headed for a career in pharmacy.

The daughter of Chief Culinary Specialist Alfredo Martinez (Ret.) and his wife Amelia, Allia moved a lot when she was growing up. "I never really got to stay in one place as much as I'd like to, but I got to see a lot of other countries and interact with different

Looking forward to career as an Air Force officer, hopefully in her chosen field of pharmacy, Allie says, "I'll serve wherever I'm needed."

cultures. It's really given me the opportunity to be more flexible and adaptive and open to other cultures," she says.

After moving many times, she attended high school in Naples, Italy,

and Keflavik, Iceland, before finally graduating from the Pensacola Christian Academy in Pensacola, Fla.

Allia volunteered at a local community clinic while in high school. The experience, including working at their pharmacy, convinced her to try for a career in that field. As a sophomore at the University of South Alabama, she is majoring in Biomedical Sciences.

She is also a cadet in the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps at USA. She has been Cadet of the quarter and is currently in the AFROTC Honor Society. Her coursework, including chemistry, physics, anatomy, and physiology is challenging. Allia is a member of the University Honors Program and was added to the USA President's Scholars List with a 4.0 grade point average earlier this year.

She looks forward to being an Air Force officer, hopefully in her chosen field of pharmacy. If not, she says, "I'll serve wherever I'm needed."



Martinez

Allia is extremely grateful to the Foundation for her scholarship. "This year has been hard," she says. "My brother and I are in college at the same time and recently my Mom had health problems and had to leave her job. Having the scholarship really helped out." 🍂

USS Constitution SCA

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born. CAPT Rieper says there were two main reasons the group decided to formally affiliate with the Foundation.

"We wanted to provide a formal structure for the continuity of our group, and we wanted to provide a means of increasing our visibility to other Supply Corps officers in or entering our geographic area."

The imminent move of the Supply Corps School to Newport has given an additional motivation to the group, Rieper says. "As Athens moves to Newport, we hope to be a resource to the soon to be formed Newport SCA," he adds.

The group took the name USS Constitution after the historic ship in the Boston Harbor, which has a special con-

nection for many of them. "Many of our members had their retirement ceremonies aboard that ship," Rieper says.

Other members of the Association board include retired CAPT Bill Martin as Secretary/Treasurer and retired CAPT Bill McCarthy as Vice President, with retired Captains Art Silk, Harry Weinberg and Bill McPherson as Board members.

"We continue to treasure those unique experiences we enjoyed as Navy Supply Corps officers and gladly welcome all Supply Corps officers in the New England area to join our group," he says. For more information about the USS Constitution SCA, contact Rieper at akrieper@comcast.net. 🍂

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Annual fund drive supports scholarships, heritage and more

By CAPT John Kizer, SC, USN (Ret.), Chairman

With the move this fall of the Navy Supply Corps School to Newport, R.I., a chapter of our Supply Corps history comes to a close. But for those of us who went to school in Athens, it will forever be a formative part of our lives, brimming with history and lifelong friendships.

For those who are just beginning to serve as a Supply Corps officer, Newport will take that place in their hearts.

*Preserving our heritage
taking care of our own through
our scholarship program...
join in supporting
our ongoing efforts.*

As fellow wearers of the Oakleaf, we welcome them into our family, adding their new experiences and commitment to service to the unbroken chain of history extending back for more than 200 years.

Whether our memories come from Athens or Newport, Bayonne or Harvard, the heritage, values, and tradition of our Supply Corps remain the same. The mission of your Supply Corps Foundation is to perpetuate those ideals and to help us take care of our own.

Whether it is hosting this year's Black Tie Gala honoring our Distinguished

Alumni and Scholarship recipients at the Navy Memorial, or sponsoring an ongoing Supply Corps display aboard the USS *Midway* museum, preserving our heritage is key to what we do.

We continue to take care of our own through our scholarship program, which helps the young men and women of our supply family. This year alone, we awarded 74 scholarships worth \$199,500 to the dependents and descendants of Supply Corps officers and our enlisted ratings.

Our Memorial Scholarship Program, providing a four-year, \$2,500 per year scholarship to the minor children of Supply Corps officers who die while on active duty, includes five children who are in college now. With your continued support, we will also be there for the additional 27 children of our fallen members when their time comes for higher education. In addition, a scholarship fund for the two

young children of Culinary Specialist Jarod Newlove, who was killed while serving in Afghanistan, has been established for those who wish to contribute. (See story on page 5)

Please join in supporting this ongoing effort. There are many ways to contribute. You can use the form sent recently in the mail, go online to make a contribution via credit card, contribute through the CFC by using number 10281, or use the coupon below to mail in your check. All contributions are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law and are gratefully received.



Retired RADM Steve Maas, center, talks with CAPT Lee Singleton, left, and CAPT Aaron Stanley during October meetings in Athens.



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*Distinguished Alumnus Profile***Bruce Laingen survived WWII Pacific battles, Iranian captivity**

Ambassador Bruce Laingen is well known for having been the charge d'affaires at the American Embassy in Iran in 1979, when he and 52 Embassy staffers were taken captive and held hostage for more than a year. What may be less well known, however, is that Laingen is a former Navy Supply Corps officer and Distinguished Alumnus who credits his Navy experience

...on LSM 66 ...“I learned about reliance on the quality of your colleagues, an appreciation of family, and about reliance on support from a higher quarter.”

Bruce Laingen

with helping him to weather more than 444 days in captivity.

Laingen grew up on a farm in southern Minnesota and when World War II began, having never left his home state, and “never having seen more water than a neighboring lake and the Minnesota River,” he decided he wanted to serve his country in the U. S. Navy.

On October 20, 1942, Laingen joined the Navy as part of the V 12 program, which trained college students to become officers. In July of 1943, after completing his junior year at St. Olaf College, Laingen was sent as an apprentice seaman to the University of Dubuque to begin his Navy training. After a semester there he opted for service as a Navy Supply Corps officer and was sent to Wellesley College, where a branch of the Harvard Supply Corps School had been established. There Midshipmen Laingen and 163 others, including future Defense Secretary and Distinguished Alumnus Mel Laird, began a semester focused on learning the duties of a Supply Corps officer.

Commissioned an ensign in 1944, Laingen soon found himself assigned to Galveston, Texas, to assemble a sup-

ply and disbursing staff for LSM group 19, whose command was aboard LSM 66. By October 1944 they were underway and bound for the Pacific theater. “We set off across the broad blue Pacific on the way totally alone,” he recalls, and by the time they transited the Panama Canal his seasickness was gone. With smooth seas and no rough weather, the 200-foot ship, designed to deliver trucks, tanks and other war material to the invasion beaches of the Pacific, arrived in time to be part of the invasion of the main Philippine island of Luzon.

The landing at Lingayen Gulf involved more than 1,000 ships, most of them amphibious craft. “The LSM right next to us took a lot of fire,” he recalls of the landing, “and lost two or three men that evening.” In LSM 66 Laingen was at General Quarters in the radio shack during a night full of intense shelling. “One of the radio operators

couldn’t take it,” he says. “I always remember that man, perfectly qualified but who just couldn’t cope with it.” Laingen participated in eight additional landings before the war ended and he completed his Navy service.

He left the Navy in 1946 and, like others in the greatest generation, wanted to find a way to continue to serve. After completing his bachelor’s degree and then a master’s in International Relations, he was accepted into the Foreign Service. He served in numerous capacities and then came the fateful experience in Iran. While in captivity he often recalled his time aboard LSM 66 and the lessons he learned.

“I learned about the human condition in stress and that served me well,” he says today. “I learned about reliance on the quality of your colleagues, an appreciation of family, and about reliance on support from a higher quarter.” He added “what

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During Memorial Day Honors, Distinguished Alumnus Ambassador Bruce Laingen accompanied by RDML Patricia E. Wolfe, SC, USN, Commander, Navy Expeditionary Logistics Support Group (NAVELSG), and RDML Patrick J. Lorge, Commandant of Naval District Washington placed a wreath to honor the fallen at the Navy Memorial during the Year of Navy Supply.

Charitable trust provides tax benefits, stream of income for heirs

Editor's note: In the last issue of The Oakleaf, we discussed estate planning and "ways to do well by doing good." This issue discusses charitable trusts. Article written by Forefield Inc and provided to The Oakleaf by Board member and Chair of the Investment Advisory Committee, Dennis Collins.

Another way for you to make charitable gifts is to create a charitable trust. There are many types of charitable trusts, the most common of which include the charitable lead trust and the charitable remainder trust.

A charitable lead trust pays income to your chosen charity for a certain pe-

riod of years after your death. Once that period is up, the trust principal passes to your family members or other heirs. The trust is known as a charitable lead trust because the charity gets the first, or lead, interest.

A charitable remainder trust is the mirror image of the charitable lead trust. Trust income is payable to your family members or other heirs for a period of years after your death or for the lifetime of one or more beneficiaries. Then, the principal goes to your favorite charity. The trust is known as a charitable remainder trust because the charity gets the remainder interest. Depending on which type of trust you use, the dollar value of the lead (income) interest or the remainder interest produces the estate tax charitable deduction.

Why use a charitable lead trust?

The charitable lead trust is an excellent estate planning vehicle if you are optimistic about the future performance of the investments in the trust. If created properly, a charitable lead trust allows you to keep an asset in

the family while being an effective tax-minimization device.

For example, you create a \$1 million charitable lead trust. The trust provides for fixed annual payments of \$80,000 (or 8 percent of the initial \$1 million value of the trust) to ABC Charity for 25 years. At the end of the 25-year period, the entire trust principal goes

A charitable remainder trust takes advantage of the fact that lifetime charitable giving generally results in tax savings when compared to testamentary charitable giving.

Laingen profile

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you learn when growing up are the qualities that will serve you later."

"I am a determined optimist," he says today. "I draw on it to approach any problem, whether it was the situation in the Philippines or later in the Foreign Service. I start with a sense of optimism... 'maybe we can do this.'" He added, "I believe deeply in confidence and optimism, but always accompanied by a good sense of realism."

Laingen retired from the Foreign Service in 1987. He currently serves on the Boards of several charitable and educational organizations. He has received numerous awards and honorary degrees, including one from the University of Minnesota, and most recently was recognized by the State Department for a Lifetime of Contributions to American Diplomacy.

Laingen and his wife Penny have three sons, all of whom served in the Navy, as did a daughter-in-law. Two graduated from the Naval Academy and one is a Naval ROTC graduate of the University of Minnesota. In addition they have 10 grandchildren and four great grandchildren and the affection they have for their service remains clear – a great granddaughter is named Navy!



Tom Hagen named Distinguished Alumnus

CAPT Thomas Hagen (Ret.) was selected as a Distinguished Alumnus of the Navy Supply Corps School at the Foundation Board meeting in Athens in October. Hagen is retired from Erie Insurance Group, where he rose from part-time file clerk to Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. Hagen is currently chairman of Custom Group Industries in Erie, Pa. He also served as the Pennsylvania Secretary of Commerce from 1995 to 1997 under Governor Tom Ridge. Long active in community revitalization and historic restoration, he has received numerous awards and honors for his public service.



Hagen served as Supply Officer on USS Harwood (DDE 861) and on reserve duty with the Atlantic Fleet logistics staff for a total of 30 years of service.

A ceremony to recognize Hagen will be held later this year.



Association News

New Associations and Presidents on board; help for websites available

By CAPT Tom Billings, SC, USN (Ret.)

We now have two more new Associations on line for a total of twenty-one, and several turnovers of Presidents during the summer rotations. The latest Associations to join the other nineteen in the Foundation are the USS *Constitution* SCA (greater Boston area) with President CAPT Alan Rieper, and the Colorado Rockies SCA (greater Colorado Springs area) with President CDR Bill Barich. New Presidents include CAPT Al Stanczak (Cleveland), CDR Katie Boyce (Great Lakes), CAPT Aaron Stanley (St. Louis), CAPT Bob Gantt (Hampton Roads), CAPT Brian Drapp (Mechanicsburg), CDR Bill Clarke (Philadelphia), CAPT Dave Pimpo (San Diego), CDR Harry Thetford (Washington, D.C.), CAPT

Marty Fields (Southwest Asia), and CAPT John Polowczyk (Hawaii).

Reminder: help is available at no cost for Association webmasters. Each Association has a website provided by the Foundation, which is free and easy to maintain. If you are starting a term as your Association webmaster and need some help, it is available by contacting the Foundation Web Coordinator at webadmin@usnsf.com. These sites provide space for news, information, an events calendar, event sign-ups, photos and information for family members

Remember to send me any questions, comments, requests for help, advice, etc. Call or e-mail me at (760)798-2669 or tomsfree@cox.net.



CAPT (Ret.) Tom Billings and CDR Bill Clarke pictured during the Association Presidents meetings.

Charitable trust pays income

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only \$100,000 of the \$1 million gift is subject to estate tax.

Why use a charitable remainder trust?

A charitable remainder trust takes advantage of the fact that lifetime charitable giving generally results in tax savings when compared to testamentary charitable giving. A donation to a charitable remainder trust has the same estate tax effect as a bequest because, at your death, the donated asset has been removed from your estate. Be aware, however, that a portion of the donation is brought back into your estate through the charitable income tax deduction.

Also, a charitable remainder trust can be beneficial because it provides your family members with a stream of current income—a desirable feature if your family members won't have enough income from other sources.

For example, you create a \$1 million charitable remainder trust. The trust provides that a fixed annual payment be paid to your beneficiaries for a period not to exceed 20 years. At the end of that period, the entire trust principal goes outright to ABC Charity. To figure the amount of the charitable deduction, you have to value the remainder interest going to ABC Charity, using IRS tables. This is a complicated numbers game. Trial computations are needed to see what combination of the annual payment amount and the duration of annual payments will produce the desired charitable deduction and income stream to the family.

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Foundation Board and Association Presidents meet in Athens



Foundation Board members, Association Presidents, and friends, attended meetings and participated in closing events at the Athens location of the Navy Supply Corps School. See stories on pages 1 and 3.