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Director Addresses Memorial Day Ceremony

Director Romo presented the Keynote Address at the Memorial Day Ceremony at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery in San Antonio, Texas on May 28th. Those in attendance included veterans, members of the Armed Services and their families and friends.

The Director received a warm welcome and high praise for his heartfelt speech, which included the following excerpt. "Memorial Day is both a somber and joyful celebration for all Americans. We honor the men and women who have given their time, youth, strength, endurance, and family separation to serve their country.

We pay profound tribute to the men and women who have given the ultimate sacrifice, their lives, to secure the safety and freedom of our Nation and of the world. Finally, we stand together to embrace and celebrate the dedication and valor of our Armed Forces, active and reserve components, who today stand watch around the world in harm's way, linked to this proud legacy, as we fight global conflicts and secure the safety of our homeland." ■



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Deputy Allard Delivers Keynote Address

Deputy Director Edward T. Allard, III delivered the Keynote Address at the 65th Medal of Honor Memorial Day event in Los Angeles attended by 1400 people. Mr. Allard was given a warm California welcome and received a standing ovation. After speaking, Mr. Allard and his wife, Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard, stood at attention on honor guard vigil in front of the Medal Of Honor Memorial for 30 minutes to demonstrate their respect for those who have made the ultimate sacrifice to our country. The Allards have participated in this Memorial Day tradition for many years. ■



Deputy Director Allard Addressing Event



Right to Left: Congresswoman Roybal-Allard, Mr. Allard, Mr. John Perez Speaker of the California State Assembly, Mr. Gil Garcetti, President of the Los Angeles City Council and Officer in the Naval Reserves

New Colorado State Director Appointed

COL Gary Bress (Ret.) was recently appointed as the State Director for Colorado. During a visit to Region III Director Romo presented COL Bress with his Certificate of Appointment. Congratulations COL Bress. ■



Left to Right: COL Gary Bress (Ret.) and Director Romo

Director Romo Gives Oath

Director Romo gave the oath to State of Ohio Board Member V. Anthony Simms-Howell at the League of United Latin American Citizens convention in Orlando, Florida in June. ■



Left to Right: Director Romo and V. Anthony Simms-Howell

Jan Scruggs Named National Appeal Board Chairman

Mr. Jan Craig Scruggs, Esq. was designated by President Obama as the Chairman of the SSS National Appeal Board (NAB) on July 5, 2012. He has served on the Board since 1999. Like all SSS boards, the NAB is in a “standby” status because there is no draft. Should Congress and the President reinstate the draft, all SSS boards would be activated and meet regularly to decide claims for deferments, postponements, and exemptions from military service.

Mr. Scruggs is Founder and President of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund. In 1979, he conceived the idea of building the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., as a tribute to all who served during one of the longest wars in American history. Today, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial is among the most visited memorials in the nation’s capital. Mr. Scruggs was a wounded and decorated veteran of the Vietnam War, having served in the 199th Light Infantry Brigade of the U.S. Army. Scruggs launched the effort with \$2,800 of his own money. As president of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund Inc. (VVMF), the nonprofit organization created to build and maintain the Memorial, he headed up the effort that raised \$8.4 million and saw the Memorial completed in just two years. It was dedicated on November 13, 1982, during a week-long national salute to Vietnam veterans in the nation’s capital. Mr. Scruggs continues to lead VVMF as it enters a new phase in its mission to remember those who sacrificed in Vietnam: building the Education Center at The Wall. The Education Center will show the photos and tell the stories of those who made the ultimate sacrifice during



Jan Scruggs

(Photo Courtesy of VVMF)

the Vietnam War, as well as celebrate the values embodied by American service members in all of our nation’s wars.

Mr. Scruggs is a native of Washington, D.C, and grew up in Bowie, Md. He received his bachelor’s and master’s degrees from American University in Washington, D.C., and his law degree from the University of Maryland, Baltimore. ■

Director Speaks at Commencement

Director Lawrence Romo spoke at the Montana State University-Northern graduation on May 5, 2012. Mr. Romo is one of the University’s 13,700 alums, having received his master’s degree in education from there. The Director told the audience that he brought three goals to the Selective Service when he was nominated in 2009 by President Barack Obama and confirmed by the U.S. Senate. He advised graduates to follow the same general ideas as they enter the private or public sector. He urged the future leaders to take care of the mission at hand; to take care of their employees. Director Romo noted that communication should be a two-way street and managers and supervisors should not have a “my way or the highway attitude.” He also

stressed how important it is to take care of the taxpayers’ or the company’s dollars.

By following those principles, he said, “we changed the Selective Service System from the worst small federal agency to one of the best” in terms of employee morale. He told graduates that “you will learn to follow before you learn to lead in your new professions; but learn from your leaders — emulate good leaders and learn what not to do from bad leaders.” ■

Local Board Continuation Training

On April 28, 2012 Local Board member training was conducted on the campus of Wilmington University, New Castle, Delaware. The event marked the first time board members from the Eastern Shore of Maryland were invited to attend training in Delaware. In 2012, a total of four Marylanders were trained in Delaware. ■



Left to Right: (Front) Linda Watts, Marg Spittle and RFO Jim DiDonto; (Middle) Richard Pierce, Cindy Christiansen, Tony Russo, Bill Robbins, Trebs Thompson, Judy Butler and Chris Quintanilla; (Rear) State Director Richard Cecil, Tim Bayard, Kieth Bowman, Craig Boehmer, Wayne Emsley, Karl Walters, Ralph Brown, Mike Rush and Patrick Rhodes.

SSS Represented at College Fair

SSS Wisconsin State Director (SD) John Cumicek LTC (R) attended the 2012 Wisconsin Badger Boys State Session at Ripon College June 9-16, 2012. Badger Boys State is a youth leadership program operated under the guidance and sponsorship of the American Legion Department of Wisconsin. SD Cumicek is active with the American Legion in the State of Wisconsin and is the Badger Boys Assistant Director, Banker and Postmaster. He represented the Selective Service at the college fair. SD Cumicek was able to inform the college personnel about the requirement for young men to register with the Selective Service and explained the benefits associated with registration. Additionally, SD Cumicek had an article on the SSS published in the Badger Bugle newsletter which is seen throughout the state of Wisconsin by all Legion members. For more information on the Badger Boys State program please see <http://www.badgerboysstate.com/> ■



Wisconsin State Director John Cumicek LTC (R)

SSS Exhibits at American School Counselors Conference

LTC Jim Irwin (Det Cmdr) and MAJ Mike Busick, Reserve Force Officers from Minnesota, staffed the SSS exhibit booth at the American School Counselors Conference which was held in Minneapolis on June 23-25, 2012. There were approximately 2000 attendees at the conference and 124 exhibitors. The officers discussed the registration requirement with many of the attendees that visited the booth, and felt that their time was well spent at the conference. ■



Left to Right: MAJ Mike Busick and LTC Jim Irwin



LTC Jim Irwin is Leaning Forward Discussing Some of the Literature with Some Attendees at the Conference.

North Carolina Board Members Receive IBMT

Local Board Members in North Carolina attended Initial Board Member Training at the North Carolina Aquarium on Roanoke Island on Saturday, May 12. Not only were they introduced to the Selective Service System, but were also introduced to friends at the Aquarium as an added bonus as you can see in the background. ■

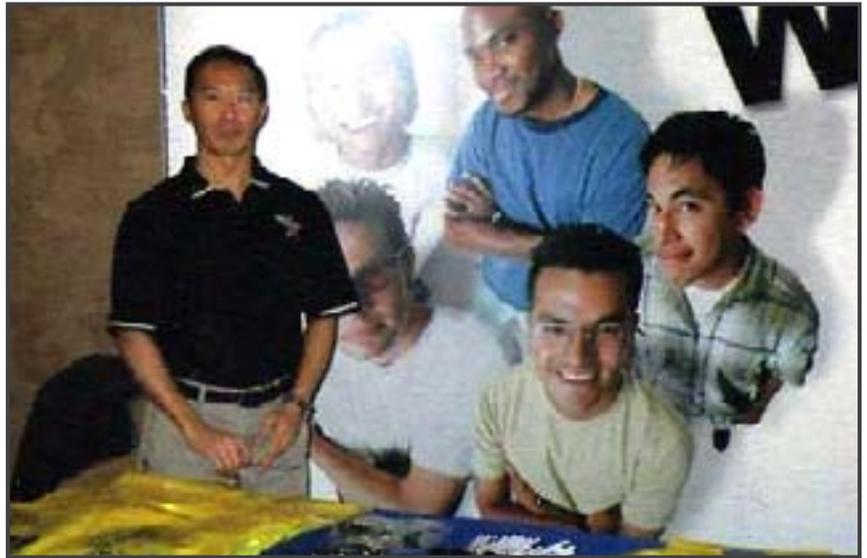


(Photo Provided by LTC Chris Ivers, Commander, Det. 2NC)

Left to Right: Renee Coker, Bradford Frierson, Sang Hamilton, John Richardson, Jr. and Reserve Officer CWO Roger Guest

Ahora Student Day

Reserve Force Officers from California Detachments 3-3 and 3-4 staffed a Selective Service System (SSS) booth at the Ahora Student Day - Latino Magazine exhibit in San Diego, CA. on April 26, 2012. Approximately 70 students and educators visited the booth and received information about the mission of the Agency with particular emphasis placed on the registration requirement. In addition, LTC Richard Gurr gave a presentation to the attendees followed by a question and answer session. The event proved beneficial for the staffers in spreading the word about the SSS. ■



CDR Junhow Chang (Det Cmdr CA 3-3)



LTC Richard Gurr (Det Cmdr CA 3-4)

Getting the Word Out

In Massachusetts, Navy RFO, CW04 Ken Coburn and his DET OIC, Kathleen Keegan, a member of the Army National Guard work to educate the public on Selective Service System and the registration requirement of men between the ages of 18 and 25. Unlike 43 other states, three territories, and the District of Columbia, Massachusetts has not passed drivers license legislation which would automatically register eligible men with Selective Service when they get their drivers license. In spite of that, the state has a high compliance rate of about 88 percent. Ken and Kathleen are featured in an article in The Patriot Ledger which details their efforts.

To read the article in its entirety please view:

www.patriotledger.com/topstories/x358802587/Local-residents-spread-word-on-Selective-Service#ixzz1zrc5z4tU

Kentucky Board Members Complete IBMT

Kentucky State Director, Dennis Wilcutt, and Lt Col Tiffany Robinson, Commander of Kentucky Detachment 2-8, presented training certificates to Board Members at the conclusion of Initial Board Member Training.

Mr. William J. Belanger pictured in photo top right was drafted in WWII and now serves as a Local Board Member in Jefferson County. Mr. Daniel Starnes pictured in bottom right photo is a third generation Board Member from Edmonson County. Both his Father and Grandfather served as Board Members.

We are honored to have these gentlemen serve as Local Board Members for the State of Kentucky.■



Region II New Officer / State Director Training

Region II Headquarters conducted its annual New Officer/State Director Training in April 2012. The class was attended by Region Staff and Reserve Force Officers from Louisiana, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia. We are certain these officers will be a great asset to Region II.■



SSS Exhibit at National Latino Family Exposition

Reserve Force Officers MAJ Bridget Johnson and LT Barbara Schenk from Nevada staffed a Selective Service booth at the 2012 National Latino Family Exposition, held at the Mandalay Bay Hotel and Convention Center on July 7-10, 2012 in Las Vegas. It was presented by the National Council of La Raza (NCLR). NCLR is a non-profit national organization focused on improving opportunities for Hispanic Americans in the country including health, housing, education, workforce development and youth leadership. This event was one of the largest Hispanic expositions in the country, attracting over 5,000 latino leaders, 200 exhibitors and thousands of attendees. According to MAJ Bridget Johnson, “the expo was a wonderful opportunity to communicate our mission to Hispanic Americans with focus on registering eligible young men between the ages of 18-25 years of age. The booth was ideally located and well received by the attendees.” ■



MAJ Bridget Johnson (Left) is Speaking with Two Attendees at the Conference.

What's Next?

With the completion by the SSS full-time and non-political workforce of the 2012 Employee Viewpoint Survey, the results of the web survey are being collated by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management. By November 2012 the results will be shared with SSS, and the following month a private organization will rank the best and worst places to work in the Federal Government. Hopefully, SSS will again show improvement.

These results will not allow the identification of individual responses in any way, and no identifying information will be used to match individual response to employees or personnel folders. It was important that all of us participated because it measured employees' feelings and attitudes in topic areas such as talent, leadership and knowledge management, performance culture and job satisfaction. The ultimate goal of the survey is to provide SSS with information to build off of strengths and improve challenge areas. ■



Take the Pledge

The following is the tragic story of Allan Andres, Chairman of LBoo1 in Delaware and how a distracted driver changed his and his family's life forever. Distracted driving kills or injures thousands of people every year. According to the Department of Transportation, "Cell phone use was reported in 18% of distraction – related fatalities in America. Texting takes your eyes off the road for 4.6 seconds. At 55 MPH, that's like driving an entire football field blindfolded."

We encourage you and your family to make the commitment to drive phone free.

Take the Pledge today: www.distraction.gov/download/Distraction_Pledge.doc

To learn more about distracted driving and what you can do to help stop it, please see following links:

www.distraction.gov ; www.cdc.gov/Motorvehiclesafety/Distracted_Driving/ ; www.cdc.gov/Features/TeenDrivers

All It Takes Is Just ONE Call And Your Life Or Another's Will Become A WRECK

Written by Allan Andres

Now that cell phones have morphed into computers that can be held in one's hand, or that even an older one can send and receive a text message, the impacts are being felt across the country. In 2010, 3092 people were killed in crashes involving a distracted driver and an estimated additional 416,000 were injured in motor vehicle crashes involving a distracted driver. Distracted Driving is the term being used to describe talking on a cell phone with your hands, or even hands free, and texting, whether on a full screen, or by pushing the buttons on the 12 key pads on the phone. Headset cell phone use is not substantially safer than hand-held use (VTTI). Let me add a few more things that are considered distracted driving; eating and drinking, talking to passengers, grooming, reading, using a Navigation system, watching a video, adjusting a radio, CD player, or an MP3 player. (See www.distraction.gov) 18% of injury crashes in 2010 were reported as distraction-affected crashes. I became a victim of an eighteen year old texting driver who killed our 2 year old granddaughter while she was walking in a marked crosswalk with her mother who was critically injured, and still recovering over a year and a half after the crime. It was not an accident!! It was a criminal act. In California and many other states, driving while talking on a cell phone must be hands free, and texting is not allowed at all.

Let me discuss some of the lessons that can be learned from this tragedy. First is that you have a responsibility. If you drive you should not only keep your hands on the wheel, but your eyes on the road. When you are not looking where you are going, you are making a potentially fatal mistake, not only for yourself, but for others. These are both the manual side and the visual side of this issue. The third and most important is your cognitive abilities. Your mind, no matter what others say, can only process one thing at a time. Driving while using a cell phone (hands

held or hands free) reduces the amount of brain activity associated with driving by 37%. (Carnegie Mellon) Sure, you can think of many things, but you can only process one at a time. The scientific evidence supports this, and that is why many states ban all cell phone use while driving. Your mind is on the content of the call. What do you say next? You are formulating your next remarks, and not focusing on the roadway. Based on your vehicle going 55 miles per hour, and texting, talking, or dialing an average of 4.6 seconds, you will have traveled the length of a football field. Think about what can happen during those 4.6 seconds, and what could be the result of driving blind for only those 4.6 second intervals while looking at your personal communications device. These 4.6 seconds are the average time used to dial or read or write a text message. 40% of all American teens say they have been in a car when the driver used a cell phone in a way that put people in danger (pewinternet.org). Our actions as parents, or friends of those who drive should be to tell the driver to put their phone away, or to stop their vehicle so you can get out of the car and not become a statistic. We should tell our children who may not be able to drive, that they are also responsible for their own safety, just like they have been taught to put on their seatbelts since they were an infant. They can tell a driver that a cell phone is a very dangerous device to use while driving, and to please stop and consider the consequences of killing or injuring someone. Drivers who use hand-held devices are 4 times more likely to get into crashes serious enough to injure themselves (Monash University). Text messaging creates a crash risk 23 times worse than driving while not distracted (VTTI). 11% of all drivers under the age of 20 involved in fatal crashes were reported as distracted at the time of the crash. This age group has the largest proportion of drivers who were distracted and many of us know those drivers, as they live in our homes, or our relatives or friends homes.

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Getting these facts out to our children is critical, and even into our own lives. We are an example to them, and they will emulate us and what we do. Every time you put your seat belt on, think about putting the cell phone away at the same time. My voice mail for my phone says if I didn't answer, the probability is high that I am driving, and will not take your call, but call you back when it is safe to do so.

Think about this; the increasing volume of cell phone activity since June 2011, when more than 196 BILLION text messages were sent or received in the US, up nearly 50% from June 2009 (CTIA). I had the opportunity to attend the National Transportation Safety Board's forum on Distracted Driving earlier this year in Washington, DC. The NTSB did a video on our granddaughter which can be viewed at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4SE4jx_I8Rc&feature=player_embedded. Out of this forum, it was clear that the evidence supports not using these personal devices while doing other tasks. Think about your pilot on the last flight you took, and ask whether you would have arrived safely had pilot been texting during landing or even take-off and his or her brain was thinking about the text message, and not the controller who had told him to turn right 20 degrees for traffic. As we all fly, we want the pilot focused on the task of getting us to our next destination, and the NTSB forbids pilots from using them when in an aircraft. Their position is that this should be enacted into law to save lives on the federal highways, which are under their jurisdiction. The federal fine for this violation is \$2700 for the first offense.

I live in Delaware, and am the Chairman of LBoo1 which covers Kent County, and our Capital, Dover. On June 7th our state received a \$900,000 grant from USDOT and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to help in the elimination of texting and cell phone use while driving in Delaware. I was invited to speak about why people should not text or talk during the ceremony along with the Secretary of Transportation, Hon. Ray

LaHood, Governor Markell, Secretary of the Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Lewis Schilira, and Superintendent of the Delaware State Police, Colonel Robert Coupe who will oversee this statewide crackdown. The grant will be used similarly to the Four High-Visibility Enforcement Demonstration Waves that took place in Connecticut and New York to reduce Hand-Held Phone Use which was funded under the direction of the NHTSA in 2011. It showed that high-visibility enforcement can reduce hand-held phone use behind the wheel. The NHTSA is working with each of the states to insure that these laws are enacted in all 50 states. At this point, only 33 states have any laws related to Distracted Driving. To find out where your state is, see: www.distraction.gov/content/get-the-facts/state-laws.html.

Because of an Executive Order recently signed by President Obama, federal employees are now banned from using cell phones to call or send text messages while driving federally owned vehicles, using cell phones to conduct federal business while driving private vehicles, or using federally owned cell phones in any manner whether driving public or private vehicles. As members of the SSS, we should follow those guidelines as well.

The story of our loss and the loss of many others can be seen and heard at the website link below. www.distraction.gov/content/faces/index.html#/faces/calli-ann-murray

Therefore I urge all of the 11,000 plus Board Members throughout the country to commit to sharing this message with their families and friends, as by doing so, you may save a life and not have to suffer as we had to suffer by the loss of our granddaughter, Calli Ann Murray, who was born on Christmas Day 2007. ■



Mr. Andres and Secretary LaHood with image of Calli



Mr. Andres meeting with Secretary LaHood and other officials

Presentation of the Selective Service System Meritorious Service Award with Bronze Medal

Mr. Mike Corbin, Operations Manager for Region II Headquarters, was presented the Selective Service System Meritorious Service Award with Bronze Medal by Region Director Keith Scragg for his outstanding performance to the Agency as the Lead Facilitator in various projects and updating/rewriting the Agency's Readiness Plans to enhance the Agency's readiness posture. Mr. Corbin's dedication, integrity, and personal commitment are outstanding. Congratulations Mike! ■



Region II Director Keith Scragg and Mike Corbin

Presentation of Medals

Region II Director Keith Scragg presented the Joint Service Commendation Medal to Captain Ann Marie Tschanz, RFO and Region II Support Officer, for her outstanding accomplishments in Local Board Member recruiting and exceeding all detachment performance goals, in addition to supporting RHQ and sister detachments. The presentation took place at the Region II Headquarters during New Officer/State Director Training. Pictured below are Region Director Scragg and Captain Tschanz. Congratulations to Captain Tschanz for a job well done! ■



Region II Director Keith Scragg and Captain Ann Marie Tschanz

Albert Gonzales Presented Certificate

Director Romo presented Mr. Albert Gonzales his appointment certificate to the National Selective Service Appeal Board. Mr. Gonzales was appointed by President Obama in November, 2011. ■



Director Romo and Mr. Gonzales

In Memoriam

The State Director of Georgia, Debra (Debbie) C. Rondem, passed away on July 5, 2012 after fighting a courageous battle against complications from pancreatic cancer. She was born September 15, 1951 in Lafayette, Louisiana and grew up in Texas City, Texas. She retired from Forsyth County, Georgia School District in 2011, where she first served as a Middle School Counselor and then as Director of Student Support Services starting in 1990, totaling 35 years devoted to the profession of education.

Colonel Rondem served as a Selective Service System Reserve Officer since 1985. She retired from military service in 2007, where she served as the Commander of Georgia Reserve Detachment 2-7, Smyrna, Georgia. Shortly after retirement, Debbie was appointed as the State Director for Georgia. In addition to her highest military award, the Legion of Merit, she received the Selective Service System Meritorious, Exceptional and Distinguished Service Awards with Bronze, Silver and Gold Medals.

Locally, she is survived by her husband of 28 years, Colonel Ronnie Rondem, USAR (Ret.) and son, Christopher. Throughout her many years with the Selective Service System, Debbie always served with great pride and distinction.



Human Resource Officer Retires

Congratulations to Mrs. Verona Ballard, SSS Human Resource Officer who retired after 37 years of federal service. During her tenure with SSS, Verona had oversight responsibility for the Human Resources Division and was responsible for Staffing and Recruiting; Performance Management; Payroll Administration; Classification; Training; Awards; Personnel Security; Employee Relations; Human Capital Initiatives; Benefits Administration and Internal/External reports.

Verona was instrumental in initiating new employee programs for the agency which included: allowing managers to participate in the Alternate Work Schedule program; Preventive Health administrative leave; the Pre-tax Parking Program; e-OPF; Automated Quick-Time and Attendance. She was also responsible for the processing oversight of political Schedule C and Executive appointees. Verona was responsible for ensuring that SSS met OPM mandates of Financial education through in-house retirement seminars at NHQ, the Regions and the DMC. She assured that the workforce remained abreast of new and changing Office of Personnel Management policies.



Prior to joining Selective Service in 1999 Verona was with the U.S. Department of State. We will miss Verona and thank her for her years of service. We wish her continued health and happiness.

HR Intern Leaves

Ms. Angela Hart, student intern in Human Resources accepted an internship with the Smithsonian's National Zoo. She was with SSS for three years. Angela is majoring in Biology and this internship provides her an opportunity to work in her chosen field of study. We are very happy for Angela and wish her all the best.



HR Official Departs

Mr. Anthony Richardson, Lead Human Resources Specialist in the Human Resources Department has left the Selective Service System and has accepted a position as the Senior Human Resource Specialist for the US Holocaust Memorial Museum. During his three years at Selective Service System, Anthony provided guidance to agency personnel on current HR practices, procedures, various human resources and human capital programs. We wish him well in his new position.



Edward Blackadar Departs

Mr. Ed Blackadar has left SSS after eight years of service. He began his career with SSS in April 2004 when he was selected as Associate Director for Support Services, which at that time was comprised of IT, Finance, Human Resources and Logistics. In September 2010, Ed was appointed the Program, Analysis and Evaluation manager. We wish him well in his new senior level position with the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement at the Department of Homeland Security.



New Hire in Logistics

The Logistics Support staff is pleased to announce that they have hired Mrs. Katia Jones as the office's Support Services Assistant. She comes to SSS from the Defense Commissary Agency at Fort Lewis in Washington. Katia also spent four years in the US Army as a Military Personnel Specialist. In her new position she will be performing technical and clerical functions in support of the Logistics Support Supervisor. Welcome Katia!



IT Systems Engineer

We would like to thank Mr. Oronde DeFlorimonte, Systems Engineer Contractor for his work this past year at SSS. While at the agency Oronde was instrumental in migrating the RCV system from mainframe to a virtualized Windows environment; he reconfigured/redesigned virtual infrastructure to perform more efficiently; and he was responsible for administering and locking down the RCV system, which holds one of the largest PII databases in the federal government. Prior to coming to SSS he was at Department of Interior's National Business Center (NBC) as Senior System Administrator with a focus on Citrix and VMware. While there he assisted in implementing NBC's virtual infrastructure and simplified the way Citrix users accessed the Hyperion financial application.



New IT Staff

Mr. Vincent Monroe has joined the IT department as a Network Engineer. Vincent, a Louisiana native, lived in Houston for 16 years while working in the IT field and as a college IT instructor. Since moving to the Washington, DC area he has had the opportunity to work in the IT departments at the U.S. Postal Service' Office of Inspector General, the U. S. Treasury and the Securities and Exchange Commission. Vincent noted that he is looking forward to an exciting and challenging career at the Selective Service System.



Region I Staff Position

We are happy to announce that Mrs. Karan Fraley has joined the Region I staff filling the vacant Program Assistant position. She comes to Region I from the Data Management Center where she was a Research Assistant. Region I is excited about Karan joining their team and looks forward to working with her. Congratulations Karan!



Region III Administrative Officer

Mr. Edward Medina has been selected as the Region III Administrative Officer effective Monday July 16th, 2012. Prior to being selected for his new position, Ed was responsible for Region III's Board Member Program for half of the Region's states and territories. In that role he also provided the self study Initial Board Member Training and instructions, and issued, tracked and recorded the completion of Continual Training in the IMIS database for Board Members through out the Region. Ed implemented an "Email Campaign" to County and City employees within Region III where there were Local Board Member vacancies. The campaign was successful and resulted in 46 new Board Members being appointed . This recruiting technique is now being provided to Reserve Force Officers during New Officer and State Director training. Congratulations Ed!



Brenda Nightingale Retires

Ms. Brenda Nightingale, retired on May 2, 2012 after 17 years with the Selective Service System. Brenda began her career with SSS in Region II as a program analyst. She then moved to Region III where she worked as the Region's Operation Manager dealing with personnel, readiness and training issues. The Director presented Brenda with a Distinguished Service Award for her outstanding service and leadership. We wish her well in all of her future endeavors.



Promotion

Congratulations to Denard Tillerson on his recent promotion where he will be responsible for performing a variety of activities related to the management of general support services, space assignments, property, supplies, facilities, and transportation.



Retires For The Second Time

COL Richard A. Moore (Ret), Manager, Preparedness Division, Operations Directorate retired June 15, 2012 after twenty-five years of service at the Agency. Rick joined SSS in 1987 as Deputy Region Director for Region I formerly headquartered in Philadelphia, PA. He has held a variety of positions at the agency that include: Acting Region Director for Region I; Manager of the Agency's Training Division; Manager of the Registration Division; Director for Operations; Agency's Executive Officer; and Manager of the Call and Deliver Division. He is the recipient of the Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Army Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Selective Service Exceptional Service Medal among other recognitions.



Rick Moore

Upon his retirement, the Director awarded Rick the Selective Service System Distinguished Service Award with Gold Medal for his numerous contributions to the Agency involving complex personnel, readiness, registration and training issues. Rick was praised for his innovative solutions that directly increased and sustained the registration rate among draft eligible males worldwide. He played a key role in the development and execution of training programs for joint military officers and hundreds of civilian Presidential-appointed board members. His superb knowledge of agency operations has been consistently sought throughout the organization and has ensured the viability of the agency into the foreseeable future. We wish Rick much health and happiness as he moves on into the next wonderful chapter of his life in California. Congratulations! ■



Director Romo (Right) with Rick Moore



Mariano Campos with Rick Moore

SSS Recipes - Simple Savory Summer Delights

Pat's Corn Pudding

by Rudy Sanchez

8 ounces of sour cream
One 17 ounce can of whole kernel corn (drained)
One 17 ounce can of cream style corn
2 beaten eggs
½ cup of sugar
1 box of Jiffy Corn Muffin Mix
1 stick of butter or margarine
1 can (4 oz) of mild chopped jalapeño peppers (Old El Paso) drained
Preheat oven to 425 degrees

Mix all ingredients together except the eggs and butter.
Add melted butter and beaten eggs, folding in gently.

Pour into a 2 quart casserole dish that has been sprayed with a vegetable oil.

Bake 25 to 30 minutes until light brown and still moving slightly when shaken.

Serve warm.

Steamed Shrimp

by Denard Tillerson

1 lb. shrimp
¼ cup lime juice
1 can Budweiser lime beer
Phillip's Crab and Shrimp Spice or Old Bay Seasoning
Steam shrimp in water, add lime juice, Budweiser lime beer and Phillip's Crab and Shrimp Spice or Old Bay Seasoning to taste.
Serve warm or cold.

Ma Moms Potato Salad

by Sheila Taylor

2 lbs. potatoes (5 to 6 medium), skin on(optional) and cut into 3/4-inch chunks
1 cup Mayonnaise
2 Tbsp. vinegar
1 Tbsp. of Old Bay Seasoning
1-1/2 tsp. salt
1 tsp. sugar
1/4 tsp. ground black pepper
1 cup thinly sliced celery
1/2 cup chopped onion
4 hard-cooked eggs, chopped (optional)

Cover potatoes with water in 4-quart saucepot; bring to a boil over medium-high heat. Reduce heat to low and simmer until potatoes are tender, about 10 minutes. Drain and cool slightly. Combine Mayonnaise, vinegar, Old Bay, salt, sugar and pepper in large bowl. Add potatoes, celery, onion and eggs and toss gently and just before serving you can always add a sprinkle or two of Old Bay on top.

Serve chilled or at room temperature.

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