

# BEAR'S TALE

FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2009

At Sea

## NOON POSITION



Latitude	30° 10.8 S
Longitude	72° 45.2' W
Avg Speed From DEP	10.3 KTS
Course:	161° T
Distance to Go	180.5 NM

## WEATHER FORECAST

On the whole the weather has not changed nor is it forecasted to change between now and the same time tomorrow. A little sunny, a little windy, a little chilly for those of you who have not been outside. Still pitching and rolling fairly well in SxSW'ly swell, but I feel this will stop when we are tied up. Mild weather forecast for Valparaiso.

Cadet Zack

## IT Hours:

IT Helpdesk is located in the Computer lab  
The Office hours are M-F 0800-1700  
Closed for lunch 1130-1230

## Attention All Hands:

Port passes will not be printed while in port.

## TRAVEL GUIDES AVAILABLE

The Ship's Library has made available on Moodle the complete Lonely Planet Travel Guides for each of the ports on the 2009 cruise. To access them, follow the link on the Home Page to Online Courses, click on the Moodle link and go to Library à Travel Guides. The Travel Guides can be accessed with a Guest account so no Moodle registration is required.

All travel guides are in Adobe PDF, and can be freely viewed, printed and saved.

Also available on Moodle is an Open Discussion Forum for each port where everyone can share their plans and provide reviews and recommendations for this and future cruises.

Paper copies of the Lonely Planet Travel Guides are also available for in library use.

## Attention All Hands:

GSMA Port Brief will be held tonight, Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, at 1930 in Ericsson classroom.

## Note from Chief Mate:

I would like to hold a post-brief meeting with all E-Squads and Repair Parties and any other interested participants for in the Bowditch classroom tonight, 5/29, at 1830 hours.

## Flashing Light Test Out Exams for 1/C Deck

Practice Flashing Light CDs are available for check out from the Library. Miller classroom computers are loaded with the practice software. Mandatory attendance on the following test out dates in Ericsson until certified as passing: 6/5, 6/7, 6/15, 6/17, 6/25.

## 1/C Deck Navigators- Regarding Celestial

### Restrictions in Valparaiso:

Of the 54 deck seniors, here is the current tally for celestial progress at the halfway point of cruise: 48 have tested out or are ready to test out of azimuths. 47 have tested out or are ready to test out of sun lines. 49 are in excellent shape for star fixes, given the number of available star days.

Additionally, Cadet Wahlers of your class had the earliest completion date in my history at CMA. As a class, overall, these achievements are commendable. That being said, there will be no further liberty restrictions due to celestial submissions. Congratulations seniors. I am so very proud of (most of) you! Have a wonderful time in Valpo! (and don't buy me any drinks— I'm a lightweight and I have watch at midnight).

TMB

## Information and instructions about departing the ship in Long Beach.

Ship Arrival: ETA 7 a.m. June 30<sup>th</sup> at the Port of Long Beach, Berth T-126. This is in a different section of the port from the Queen Mary area. (NOTE: Please note carefully that *Golden Bear* is calling on the Port of LONG BEACH and not Los Angeles. Avoid confusion and be sure visitors are aware of this fact.) Before individuals can depart the ship, the *Golden Bear* must be cleared by U.S. Customs. This procedure could take several hours.

- **Students and staff leaving the ship:** You can depart any time after 12 noon on this date. You must be off the ship by 1600 (4 p.m.)
- **Families and friends of departing students and staff:** Because of the need to complete the changeover process in a timely manner, family and friends of cadets and staff will not be allowed aboard the ship.

**Parking and Security:** All parties meeting the ship on this date must be cleared through a check gate at the perimeter of the pier. Those picking you up will need to bring a valid ID with them for clearance. The entry gate is some distance from the berth. However, there is ample free parking on the pier near the berthing area, so once cleared, they should be able to drive to the vicinity of the ship to meet arriving cadets or staff.

## Corps Corner

- There should be NO mops in fan rooms. Security should take mops from CG lockers and return them when done.
- Red Mops are dry mops and white mops are wet mops
- 0800 arrival, 0830 pilot, 0900 along side dock
- 0700 May 2nd sail
- There will be a security watch at the end of the pier we are docked at.
- No Fishing until further notice
- On Monday June 1st, There will be officers and cadets visiting the ship from the Chilean naval Academy

