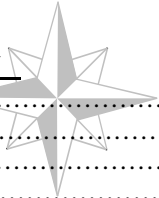




BEAR'S TALE
WEDNESDAY 15, 2009
AT SEA

NOON POSITION

Latitude.....11°36' N
Longitude.....89°17' W
Avg. Speed.....13.25 KTS
Course.....118° T
Distance to go.....736 NM



WEATHER

Clear skies and cool temps should continue throughout the week. Both hurricanes are running from us in the opposite direction. We avoided getting Tehuanapecked with only a few cases of seasickness reported crossing the Gulf of Tehuanapac. Clear skies continue to provide celestial navigators plenty of opportunities to shoot. Balboa promises to be a third world tropical paradise so get out your swim trunks and your flippie floppies. Cadets lil' Guz and Durnan

CHIEF MATE

- **Emergency Drill July 13th postponed until the 17th.**

ENGINEERING PRACTICAL TRAINING EXAMS

Engine Department Practical Training examinations will be administered at 2000 on Thursday, 16 July. All 1/C engineering cadets report to Bowditch and 3/C report to Ericsson.

3/C DECK HELM ORDER AND LOOKOUT EXAMS

Exams will be administered on Friday, July 24 in the Bowditch Classroom as follows:

Last Name (A-M) 1830-1930 Last Name (N-Z) 1930-2030. Attendance (including Watchstanders) is mandatory. For more details, see the 2009 1/C Handbook CRU 300 Sea Training III (Deck) Handbook.

1/C STANDING ORDERS EXAM

Exams will be administered on Saturday, July 25 in the Bowditch Classroom as follows:

Last Name (A-M) 1830-1930
Last Name (N-Z) 1930-2030.
Attendance (including watchstanders) is mandatory. For more details, see the 2009 1/C Handbook CRU 300 Sea training III (Deck) Handbook.

STBD LAUNCH PREPARATION

For emergency drill all 1st. and 3rd class assigned to Stbd. Launch Prep. must report for a **MANDATORY** meeting tomorrow at 1800 (7/16/09) at #1 lifeboat.

TO ALL CFA MEMBERS:

The furlough vote will occur tomorrow 7/16 in the comms office (03 FWD STBD) between 1100-1300. Please review the FAQs that Dan Weinstock sent you before you vote.

Follow the instructions in the email labeled "**ALERT: Furlough Ballot 2**" received yesterday. See Sam Pecota if you have any questions.

LIFE BOAT TRAINING

All cadets (Deck & Engine) not actually on watch assigned to PORT LAUNCH PREPARATION during Emergency Drill will muster with Mr. Lane at 1630 Thursday evening under #2 Lifeboat for a short walkthrough training session.

DIESEL I EXAM

Diesel I exam – Ericsson classroom 2000 Friday 6/17.

Texas A&M Philosophy Class

Anyone taking **Rabbi Kessler's Philosophy Class** can check movies out from Barrett Adams in room 207 starting today. You can only check one movie out at a time and it must be returned within 24 hours. Remember questions are due to me a week after we get back.

"Get Your Best Photos in FTV"

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PHONE SERVICE

Telephone service is now available from your stateroom, by dialing an access code listed on the phone cards available in the pirate cove. The new system offers calls to anywhere in the USA for about 50 cents a minute. The cost to the USA is 1 unit for the connection, and 1 unit per minute.

So a 5 minute call costs 6 units. Phone cards are sold in 50 unit and 100 unit denominations, for \$30 and \$50 respectively. So a 5 minute call costs about \$3.00 compared to \$2.00 per minute last year. For students in lower berthing, the phones in the classrooms and the phone in the QD watchroom are available and activated for your use.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Wednesday-Friday.....0800-1700
Closed for lunch.....1130-1230
Tuesday-Thursday.....1000-1930
Closed for Dinner.....1700-1730

If you don't have a port pass or have lost it, please get your port pass now from the IT office before we get into Panama. The IT office will be closed while we are in port. Don't delay, get your port passes today!

THURSDAY 16, 2009

Library Hours:

9am-12pm

2pm-5pm

6pm-9pm

Note from the Ships Office:

Ships Calendars/ Phonebooks have been distributed to everyone.

FOUND

- Book "The Robots of Dawn"
- GEORGE man's watch
- NIKE sunglasses
- Small memo book
- Ipod

LOST

- Arnette Sunglasses. Geoff Davis – Room 226
- "Lost Black and Yellow Timex watch
3/C cadet Lewis"

<p>BREAKFAST</p> <p>Fresh Fruit, Juice, Coffee Assorted Cereals, Milk Eggs to Order Oatmeal Logger jacks Sausage Links Pastries, Donuts or Muffins</p>	<p>LUNCH</p> <p>Carne Asada w/ Tortillas Pork Adobo Roasted Vegetables Red Beans & Rice Cut Corn Salad Bar/Soup</p>
<p>DINNER</p> <p>Seafood Pasta Primavera Bacon Cheeseburgers Veggie Quiche French Fries Vegetables</p>	