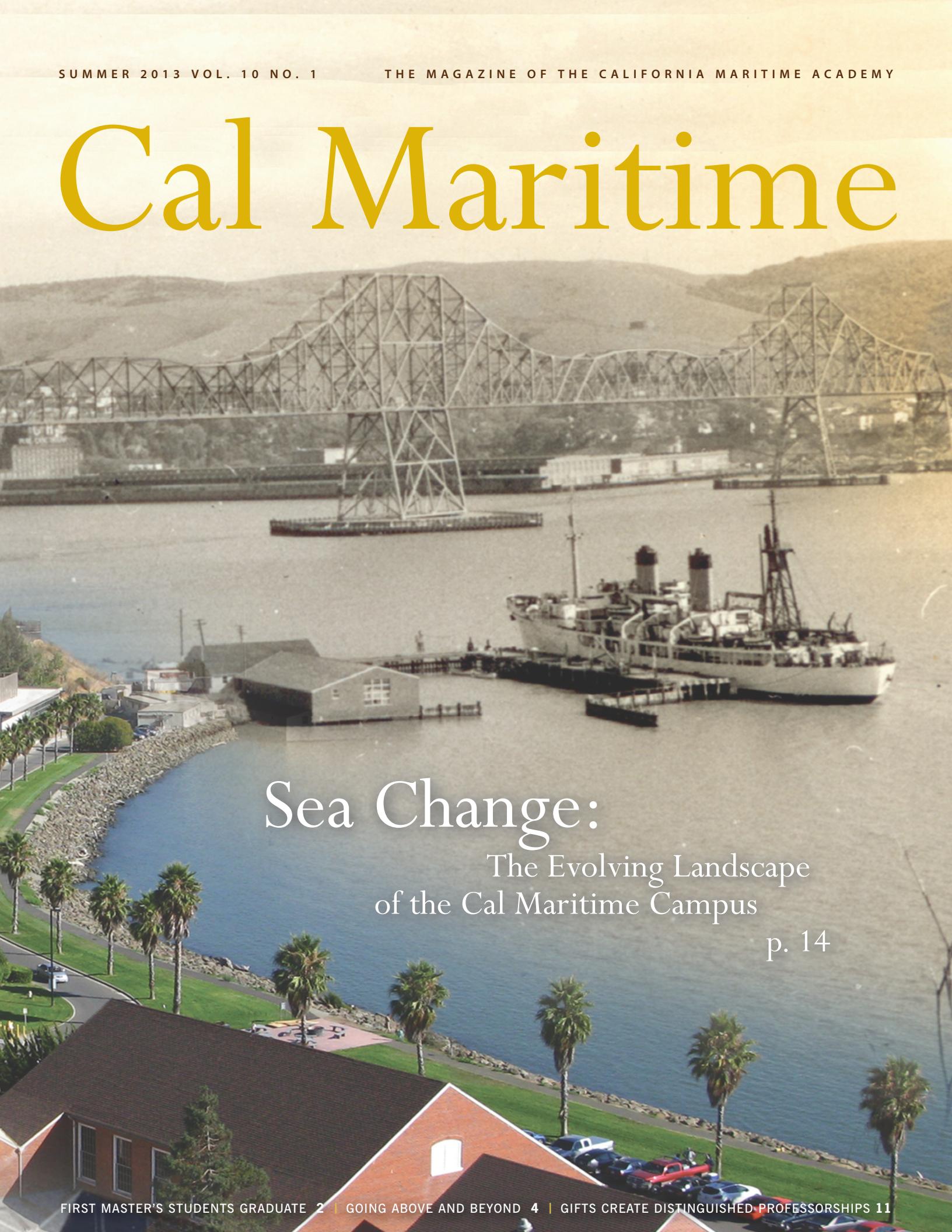


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From the President



President Thomas Cropper

I looked at my wife Heather on the eve of my first Cal Maritime Commencement as the president and said, "I am the luckiest man in California." Graduations mark a virtuous cycle of renewal that occurs routinely in every institution of higher education, but there is nothing routine about a Cal Maritime graduation.

Your Class of 2013, led in its procession by Bob Exner of the Class of 1963, strode into a beautiful central campus ceremony accompanied by the first-ever graduating class of Master's degree candidates and surrounded by devoted faculty and staff, well-wishing alumni, dedicated Foundation board members, delighted community members and incredibly proud family members.

Much like the alumni that graduated before them, these Cal Maritime cadets brought joy, laughter and reflection to a ceremony designed to highlight their achievements. This last step in the cycle — commencement — forms the first step in their new careers, and I am certain that the global maritime profession will be delighted with the leaders they have inherited from Cal Maritime. Each graduate represents the highest aspirations of their families, friends, and each one of us at your alma mater.

Commencement also marks the beginning of our next virtuous cycle, as we prepare for the Class of 2017's arrival in August. Many of them will be part of the alumni association's growing number of "Summer Send Offs" that welcome our new cadets and their families into the fold early in their Cal Maritime academic career. The Class of 2017 will connect with the traditions, ethics and excitement of the maritime profession through orientation in August, integration into the Corps of Cadets in September, and participation in the rites of Homecoming with many committed alumni. These new cadets will carry many fond memories formed in these early days of their Cal Maritime experience.

The cycle of renewal applies to our campus community as well. In this issue you will learn about the significant capital improvements to your beloved Academy — a full-fledged university — and how Cal Maritime will continue to provide world-class education and training for future generations of maritime professionals. You will also enjoy a report on the tremendous academic research and industry engagement carried out by our superb faculty and staff. Together with updated and new infrastructure, Cal Maritime is primed and positioned to be the Pacific's 24/7/365 resource for maritime excellence.

Being the president of this magnificent institution is a tremendous privilege that I value and cherish...and that makes me the luckiest man in California!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "TAC".

Thomas A. Cropper
President



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Cal Maritime's First Master's Program Cohort Graduates

EVERY GRADUATING CLASS is special, but Cal Maritime's Class of 2013 includes a first: the initial graduating class in the new master's program in Transportation and Engineering Management.

"The graduation of this class represents a huge leap forward for the Academy," said James Burns, Dean of Sponsored Projects and Extended Learning. "This event changes us forever."

The program was developed by faculty in collaboration with business and industry and is run through Cal Maritime's Office of Extended Learning. It is offered entirely online with the goal of meeting the educational and career goals of busy mid-career professionals.

"I was concerned about the online format," said Michael Doris, Program Manager for Sayres and Associates Corporation. "Over time I realized that the online course format was a great way to learn at my own pace, study when my schedule permitted, and effectively balance my work and personal schedules with the coursework."

From start to finish, the master's program can be completed in as few as 20 months. Faculty for the program includes a mix of Cal Maritime instructors and industry practitioners with advanced degrees.

Because the program is offered completely online, many students never met face-to-face until arriving on campus for commencement week.

"It has been incredible to see how students from various worldwide locations have become so close," said Burns. "The first gathering was like a reunion of old friends. The camaraderie and intellectual bond was remarkable."

"The commencement ceremony recognizing the achievement of 17 men and women from the maritime and related industries represents not only the fulfillment their two years of effort, but also that of a longtime dream of the faculty and staff of Cal Maritime," said Stephen Kreta, Vice President for Student Affairs

and one of the principal designers of the program.

"This represents more than five years of effort working alongside industry professionals and educators alike to design a program and courses to meet the needs and requirements of the industry, the CSU and our accreditation organizations. It is truly an accomplishment for the campus and faculty, as well as the graduates themselves."

"A major part of the program's success, in my mind, should be attributed to the professors," said Doris. "Their ability to be flexible and accommodating, while still expecting quality products from the students, was fantastic. I believe the professors did a great job of fostering a learning environment."

Graduates of the new program should make an impact in industry right away.

"The first graduates of this program represent a wide array of companies and industries," said Kreta. "The courses and the capstone projects these students have completed will in many cases be used directly in the



professions and environments of the students."

"The program has already benefited me professionally," said Doris. "In fact, I started to see the benefits of participating in this program shortly after our first class started. The group environment that we worked in throughout these courses was a way to see how different minds from different backgrounds would address an issue."

"Throughout the program students have shared with us how relevant the content is to their current work," said Burns. "Many report implementing ideas and content in their professional settings almost immediately. However, the real impact will be in providing the industry with well trained leaders ready to guide their firms and industries into the next generation. These students will define and solve the questions and issues that are even now just emerging."

For information about the program, visit www.csum.edu/grad or call the Office of Extended Learning at (707) 654-1271.

The 82nd Annual Commencement Ceremony

ON MAY 11, there were 197 graduates in Cal Maritime's Class of 2013, including the first 17 graduates ever from the Master of Science in Transportation and Engineering Program. Colonel Robert DeStafney USMC (Ret.) was the commencement speaker. Col. DeStafney is currently Deputy Commandant of Midshipmen at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, New York. Previously, he served as Commandant of Cadets at Cal Maritime from 2009-2010.



Cadets and Faculty Recognized at Senior Awards Ceremony

FORTY-TWO AWARDS were handed out to cadets for their outstanding contributions to academics, the corps, the training ship, student affairs, athletics, naval science, and more at the 2013 Senior Awards Ceremony.

Winners were chosen for being leaders among their peers. This annual event serves as a way to recognize the four years of hard work and dedication that cadets put into graduating from The California Maritime Academy.

This year, for the first time ever, senior class representatives chose to recognize faculty members from

each of the three areas: deck, engine, and maritime policy and management. Captain William Schmid received the Senior Deck Cadets' Faculty Appreciation Award. Chief Lyle Cook took the award for Senior Engine Cadets' Faculty and Assistant Commandant Palin Wycoff won the ABS School of Maritime Policy and Management honor.

Cal Maritime also uses this opportunity to recognize donors for their support of the many different areas of Academy life.

Connect with Cal Maritime

There are more ways than ever to connect with Cal Maritime students, faculty and community members using social media. You can stay in contact with the campus community, learn about upcoming events and activities, and be among the first to hear news about the campus.

www.csum.edu/web/about/social-media



Cal Maritime Awarded for Going Above and Beyond

EMPLOYER SUPPORT OF THE GUARD AND RESERVE (ESGR) is an operational committee of the U.S. Department of Defense. On April 24, ESGR presented The California Maritime Academy with its Above and Beyond Award.

"The award was created to recognize employers and academies for providing extraordinary support and cooperation to those who answer their nation's call to serve," said Carlos Trevino, the area chair for ESGR.

Petty Officer 3rd Class Blaine Meserve-Nibley nominated Cal Maritime for the Award. Nibley works as the Coast Guard Liaison at Cal Maritime and also is

a student. He was deployed to the east coast last semester in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy.

"Cal Maritime takes care of its services members," said Nibley. "Hopefully, this recognition will motivate other employers in our Bay Area communities to continue their support as well."

Trevino presented the award to President Thomas Cropper at morning formation. President Cropper accepted the award on behalf of all of the faculty and staff who work to support cadets who also serve in the military.



Petty Officer 3rd Class Blaine Meserve-Nibley addresses cadets at formation.

Among the attendees at the presentation were current and former members of the military, as well as Dr. Ryan Dudley, Dr. Nipoli Kamdar, Robert Manheimer, Jennifer Metz, Dr. Donna Nincic and Michele Van Hoeck – Cadet Nibley's professors during the fall semester.

2013 Cruise Visits Honolulu, Cabo, Seattle and Portland

THE TRAINING SHIP GOLDEN BEAR departed campus on the morning of May 12 — Mother's Day — bound first for San Francisco Bay for a day of training, then to the first stop in Honolulu.

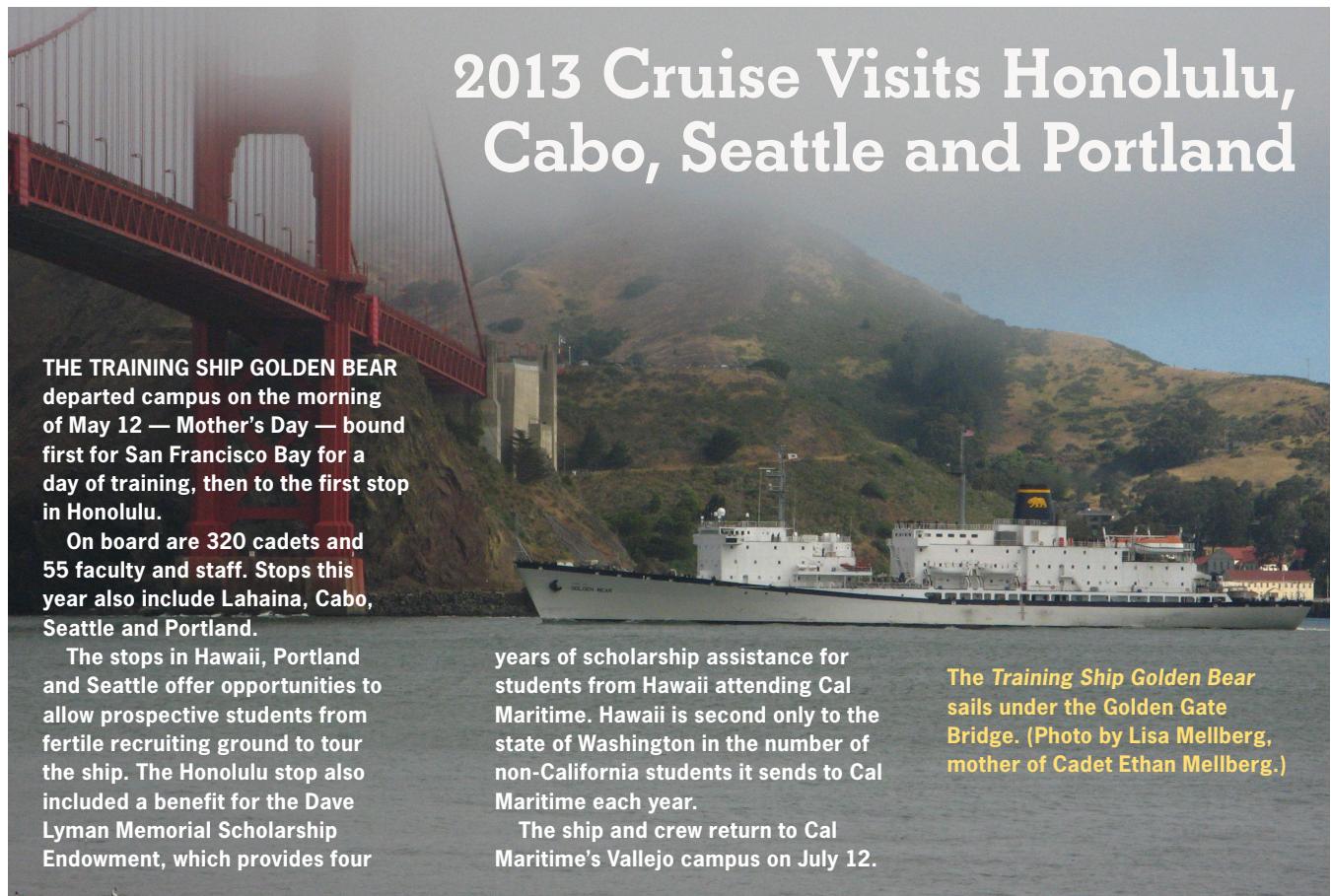
On board are 320 cadets and 55 faculty and staff. Stops this year also include Lahaina, Cabo, Seattle and Portland.

The stops in Hawaii, Portland and Seattle offer opportunities to allow prospective students from fertile recruiting ground to tour the ship. The Honolulu stop also included a benefit for the Dave Lyman Memorial Scholarship Endowment, which provides four

years of scholarship assistance for students from Hawaii attending Cal Maritime. Hawaii is second only to the state of Washington in the number of non-California students it sends to Cal Maritime each year.

The ship and crew return to Cal Maritime's Vallejo campus on July 12.

The Training Ship Golden Bear sails under the Golden Gate Bridge. (Photo by Lisa Mellberg, mother of Cadet Ethan Mellberg.)



New VP's Appointment Signals Redesign of Student Life

STEPHEN KRETA has been appointed Vice President for Student Affairs at Cal Maritime.

"This appointment is part of a University-wide redesign of our campus leadership model and the way we approach student life at Cal Maritime," said President Tom Cropper.

As part of this redesign, the new Division of Student Affairs will oversee

the offices of the Dean of Students, including the Student Health Center and Residential Life; the Office of the Commandant; the Athletic Director; Career Center Director; Community Engagement Director; and Auxiliary Services Director.

The new Division will provide a comprehensive vision to shape the cadet experience at Cal Maritime.

"This move is an important step in aligning the relationships on campus that will improve the student educational experience," said President Cropper. "Through this redesign, we can forge a more cadet-centric model for policies, programs, and procedures."

"With all the changes in the academic arena, appropriate blending of co-curricular and extra-curricular education with the academic curriculum may never have been as important as it will be now and in the years to come," said Kreta. "I am looking forward to leading this effort."

Kreta has been at The California Maritime Academy for almost 30 years. As a proud graduate of the class of 1979, he sailed as an engineering officer in the United States Merchant Marine for a number of years before returning to

San Jose State University for graduate study and to Cal Maritime as a faculty member teaching an array of engineering and technology courses. He has held a number of positions on campus, including 15 years as Academic Dean. Most recently, he served as Associate Vice-President for Academic Affairs, a position that will be phased out at Cal Maritime as Kreta transitions to his new role.

Kreta serves as the campus representative to the U.S. State Maritime Academy Council. As AVP, he worked with the Provost Council members and faculty on academic planning and development, enrollment management, International Programs, regional and programmatic accreditation, national and international standards of licensing, and instructional facilities including the new state of the art Simulation Center. While serving as

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Academic Dean, Kreta was instrumental in leading the faculty in developing new academic programs and in the planning, remodeling, and construction of virtually all current instructional facilities.

Kreta received a B.S. degree in Marine Engineering Technology from The California Maritime Academy and a M.S. in Industrial and Systems Engineering from San Jose State University. Along with being a Professional Mechanical Engineer, State of California, he is also a Chief Engineer, U.S. Coast Guard, Steam, Motor, and Gas Turbine Vessels, Unlimited Horsepower, and a Certified Plant Engineer.



Police Chief Ronald Boyd (Port of Los Angeles) and Dean Jim Burns (Cal Maritime) execute a Memorandum of Agreement as Captain Jim Jenkins, Commanding Officer of Sector LA-LB (US Coast Guard) observes.

Port of Los Angeles and Cal Maritime Sign Agreement

The signing was conducted at the California Maritime Security Council meeting in Los Angeles. Under the agreement Cal Maritime and the Port will collaborate to provide training related to homeland security and emergency management to law enforcement and first responder groups throughout California and abroad.

A RECORD-BREAKING YEAR OF SERVICE

During the 2012-2013 school year, over **340 Cadets** participated in more than **5,000 hours of community service** — the highest total of service hours ever recorded at Cal Maritime. In the Spring semester alone, 38 cadets were recognizing for meeting or exceeding 15 hours of community service. Sheldon Lotspeich had the highest total number of hours. Sheldon put in 318 hours of service during the year (see story on page 7).

In Memory of Markie Cosca

Markie Cosca, 11, lost his fight with leukemia on June 6, 2013.

Markie inspired hundreds of cadets at Cal Maritime to join the fight against cancer this spring.

In all, 175 cadets shaved their heads as part of a fundraiser for Markie. One hundred members of the Cal Maritime family signed up during a bone marrow registration campaign, providing opportunities to help others who are fighting leukemia.

Markie is the son of Mark Cosca, manager of the Cal Maritime dining hall.

The thoughts and prayers of everyone at Cal Maritime are with Markie's family at this time of loss.

Mark and Markie Cosca



HELPING OUT IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

In recognition of Earth Day and Pay It Forward Day, Cal Maritime students, faculty, and staff participated in a day of volunteer service in the nearby Carquinez Highlands neighborhood. Volunteers performed various tasks for homeowners in the community, many of whom are elderly.

Julia Tani (L) and Austin Koustik (R) pose with Carquinez Highlands neighborhood resident, Mr. Wallace.

CADETS PARTICIPATE IN MARE ISLAND MUSEUM PROJECT



Cadets worked at the Mare Island Museum on two different occasions this year.

CADETS FROM CAL MARITIME

worked with Rebuilding Together Solano County (RTSC) at the Mare Island Museum during the "National Day of Service" on January 21, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Dozens of cadets took part in repairing and cleaning the museum, which is home to artifacts from the former Mare Island Naval Shipyard.

"We had over 30 cadets working alongside members of the community, particularly volunteers from the sponsor companies Kaiser, Kelly Moore and

Recology Vallejo," said JoEllen Myslik, Community Engagement



Coordinator at Cal Maritime. "We had a small group go back to the museum in March to help RTSC finish the projects. Overall, during the combined January and March dates, we had over 40 cadets put in over 330 hours of work with RTSC, and we're hoping to double that during the upcoming school year."

Cadet Garrett Westin works during the National Day of Service at the Mare Island Museum.

Class Project Leads to Campus Improvement

WHAT STARTED OUT as a class project has resulted in a new, attractive and useful feature on campus.

"All students in the senior leadership class were tasked to develop a campus service project, and then to lead a team of first-year cadets in completing the project," explained Elaine Kocielek of Cal Maritime's Center for Engagement, Teaching and Learning. "Cadet Sheldon Lotspeich's idea was to develop a nature trail from Parking Lot A to Upper Res. He worked with many campus entities, including Facilities and Administration, to make the project a reality."

"In this whole trail, we've really kept in mind longevity and sustainability, because we don't just want to make a scar on this hillside."

Want to make something that's going to last," said Lotspeich.

Lotspeich views the project, which he calls the Legacy Nature Trail, as a way for both the on-and off-campus communities to interact with the Cal Maritime campus in a more meaningful way. In order for local school groups to be able to learn from the trail, he is currently developing a kid-friendly brochure describing the plants and wildlife one will encounter on the campus.

Lotspeich put in hundreds of hours of service over the course of the semester, and will be on campus on and off throughout the summer putting

the finishing touches on the trail.

Over the course of the year, about 100 students helped with the project.



Sheldon Lotspeich surveys the results of the Legacy Nature Trail, which he and nearly 100 classmates made a reality this year.

2013 Gala Supports the Academy's Tradition of Excellence

MORE THAN 320 GUESTS celebrated and supported Cal Maritime at the 9th Annual Gala at the Westin St. Francis in San Francisco. Alumnus Kim Estes '78E was the special guest emcee and the theme of the evening

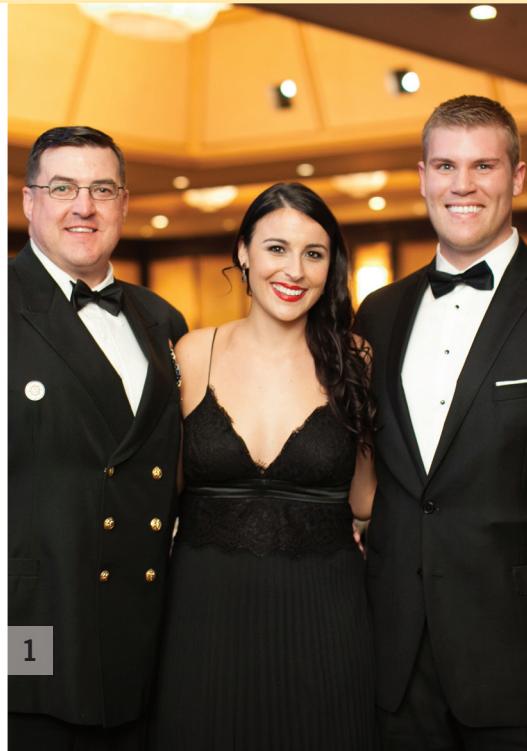
highlighted Cal Maritime's Tradition of Excellence.

The Annual Gala is the premier fundraising event for The California Maritime Academy and its cadets, and has grown to become the second largest fundraising and

networking event for the maritime industry on the West Coast.

In addition to an evening of great food and camaraderie, this black-tie event presents a wonderful opportunity for guests to network with alumni, parents and industry colleagues.

Proceeds from the Gala support scholarships and educational programs at the Academy.



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President Tom Cropper and his wife Heather pose with cadets at the gala.





1. Cal Maritime alumni Chaz West '13, Shellsea Stoughton '12 and Sean Connelly '11

2. Patrick Anderson '88, Corina and Miguel Suarez '87

3. Milton Merritt, Allyson and Brad Westlund '12

4. Cadets Mollie McQuiston '14 and Chloe Cox '14

5. San Francisco Chronicle reporter Carl Nolte

6. Cal Maritime alumni, Captain Harry Bolton '78 and Kim Estes '78

2013 Foundation Golf Tournament Set for August 26, 2013



THE CALIFORNIA MARITIME ACADEMY FOUNDATION'S GOLF CLASSIC is a premier day of golf benefiting the cadets and educational programs at Cal Maritime. Since 1998, our tournament has provided the opportunity for members from industry to network, connect with their customers, and enjoy golfing on the private golf course at the Green Valley Country Club. Our tournament also honors the memory of two past Board Members: Dr. B.C. Kingsbury and Captain Fred Henning '95, who through their service on the tournament's committee helped provide the highest caliber of training to cadets preparing to make their mark on our global economies.

We honor both B.C. and Fred during this year's tournament by directing funds raised to benefit memorial scholarship endowments in their names.

This year's Golf Classic will be held at the Green Valley Country Club in Fairfield, CA on Monday, August 26, 2013.

We invite you to join our list of sponsors, donors, and friends for another successful event. For more information, call Chelsea McClain at (707) 654-1240.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Registration:	10:30 am
Lunch:	11:00–11:45 am
Shotgun start:	Noon
Cocktail reception:	5:00–5:30 pm
Dinner and awards:	5:30–7:00 pm

BY REMEMBERING the California Maritime Academy in your will, you will support the education of future leaders in the maritime industry through scholarships, programs or facilities.

Donors who remember the Academy with a bequest or deferred gift become members of the Golden Bear Society, identified with a special pin and invitations to private luncheons and other donor recognition events.

Most importantly, members of the Golden Bear Society continue the proud tradition of the California Maritime Academy by creating new generations of leaders for the global maritime professions.

You are eligible for membership in the Society by providing for the Academy in your estate planning. For more information, please contact Beverly Byl, Vice President for University Advancement and Executive Director of the CMA Foundation at bbyl@csum.edu or 707-654-1246.

The Golden Bear Society:



A Maritime Legacy

Gifts Create Distinguished Professorship Awards

NEW GIFTS FROM FAMILIES with connections to Cal Maritime will help to support and retain faculty members who are part of the Cal Maritime family.

The **Jacobsen, Stevens, Aspland Families Distinguished Professorship** will provide funding for an appointed Associate Professor or Professor from Maritime Transportation to pursue research or scholarly activities. The **Cropper Family Distinguished Professorship** will afford the same opportunity to an Associate Professor or Professor from the ABS School of Maritime Policy and Management.

The Maritime Transportation professorship was created through a gift from the families of **Tom Jacobsen** ('88), **Paul Stevens**, and **Jerry Aspland**. Captain Jerry Aspland ('62) is the current chair of the California Maritime Academy Foundation Board and

"The U.S. maritime industry is in need of well-trained mariners and strong leaders in order to maintain our global competitiveness," explained Stevens. "On the west coast, the industry looks to Cal Maritime to train and develop these men and women. An investment in Cal Maritime assures that they have the resources to stay on top of changes in technology, regulations and global developments. This can only be accomplished if the students have exposure to the best teachers. An investment in a distinguished professorship is an investment in the students and eventually in the health and success of the maritime industry."

"The California Maritime Academy is a unique educational institution providing cadets with an opportunity to learn and apply their knowledge," said Aspland. "The faculty is a key part of this process.

The Distinguished Professor Program provides [the faculty] with the resources to explore new ideas and incorporate them into their curriculum. We are pleased to team with the Jacobsens and Stevens to sponsor a Distinguished Professor to the Marine Transportation Department."

Cal Maritime President Emeritus. Captain Thomas A. Jacobsen, president and CEO of Jacobsen Pilot Service, has more than 30 years of experience in the maritime industry. Paul E. Stevens, chairman and CEO of Foss Maritime, is a member of the California Maritime Academy Foundation Board.

The Cropper Family Distinguished Professorship was created through a gift from Cal Maritime President Tom Cropper and his wife, Heather Cropper.

"I really believe in the importance of investing in our faculty," said President Cropper. "Heather and I wanted to reaffirm that belief through personal action. The investment in the faculty is an investment in institutional academic excellence."

"[Cal Maritime] has given me the training I needed to be successful," said Tom Jacobsen. "Investing back into CMA helps our entire industry by creating better leaders."

They, also, need the opportunity to learn and keep current. The distinguished professor program provides them with the resources to explore new ideas and incorporate them into their curriculum. We are pleased to team with the Jacobsens and Stevens to sponsor a distinguished professor to the Marine Transportation Department."

Distinguished professorship awards provide support to help attract and retain outstanding faculty. Professors selected for the honors will hold the positions for a designated period of time, after which new professors will be chosen in each discipline. They are eligible for reappointment through the selection process.

An additional distinguished professorship in engineering will provide support for all three academic areas. A donor opportunity is still available.

David Buckley

Named 2013 Hearst/CSU Scholar

DAVID BUCKLEY'S PATH TO COLLEGE was not a typical one. Working as an assistant manager at a store and a financial advisor left him feeling unfulfilled, and he resolved to set himself on a path that would satisfy his desire to be challenged and do meaningful work.

In the fall of 2012, David entered the Mechanical Engineering program at The California Maritime Academy with a minor in Power Generation.

For his resilience in overcoming personal obstacles, Buckley was named one of 23 students honored by the California State University as a 2012 William Randolph Hearst/CSU Trustee Award recipient. The award, which is among the highest forms of recognition for student achievement in the CSU, ranges from \$3,000 to \$10,000. It is given annually to one student from each of the 23 CSU campuses.

In addition to demonstrating financial need, awardees must have also experienced personal hardship and possess other attributes of merit, including superior academic performance, exemplary community service, and significant personal achievement.

"My parents divorced when I was very young, and I spent my childhood struggling to maintain my identity and a sense of family with one foot in each household," said Buckley. "Unfortunately, in high school I experimented with drugs and alcohol, and I became unfocused and apathetic. As a result, I approached my early college career without a sense of purpose or mission, and with a serious lack of discipline."

"I was stuck in a life of mediocrity of my own making," admits Buckley. "I wanted an opportunity to use my talent and my mind to serve society; I wanted to stop merely subsisting and start thriving through doing meaningful work. Going back to school was the key to fulfilling my desire to do better, and to do more. I have chosen engineering because it affords me an opportunity to blend my love of science and mathematics, my desire to understand the way things work, and my passion to improve the world, into a career."

David is the Vice-Chair of the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers (SNAME) club on campus. As part of SNAME, he is a principle organizer of Seaperch, a program where SNAME members mentor middle school and high school students through the process of building underwater remote operated vehicles (ROVs). Next year, David hopes to expand the program to several schools in the Vallejo area. David's goal is to become an excellent engineer and gain the skills and knowledge to make a meaningful contribution to society.

"My mission is to improve the global environment and the lives around me, and my intent is to be a part of the movement to improve the way we capture energy," said Buckley. "We are on a finite planet with finite resources, and we need to focus more on stewardship and our global legacy. I will devote myself to the pursuit of safe, clean energy, and to finding more efficient ways to use it."

After this year, the CSU will have nearly three million alumni. The CSU is the largest source of skilled workers in California. For every dollar the state invests in the university, the impact of CSU-related expenditures alone creates \$5.43 in total spending impact. When the impact of the enhanced earnings of CSU graduates is included, the ratio rises to \$23 in total spending impact for every dollar the state invests in the CSU.

Left to right: Dr. Nipoli Kamdar, Cadet Zachary Patterson, Captain Gordon Loebl, Cadet Sterling Daniels and Cadet Alex Godwin-Austin. Not pictured is Cadet Grace Paranjape, one of the co-authors of the original panel proposal.



A panel proposal by four International Business and Logistics students was accepted for presentation at the Higher Education Summit of the Maritime Academies Council. Cadets Sterling Daniels, Alex Godwin-Austin, Grace Paranjape and Zachary Patterson were thrilled to have the opportunity to travel to SUNY Maritime to present on *Integrating Education with International Experience to Develop a Global Mindset*. In addition to meeting students from other maritime academies, highlights of their trip included a speech by NASSCO President Fred Harris on the future of the shipbuilding industry, and the opportunity to discuss the USCG response to Hurricane Sandy with Captain Gordon Loebl, Commanding Officer, Sector New York, USCG.

SEA CHANGE: The Evolving Landscape of the Cal Maritime Campus

THE RECENT GROUNDBREAKING for the new Physical Education and Aquatics Center marked another milestone in the evolution of Cal Maritime. Current and planned building projects are transforming the campus.

Cal Maritime President Tom Cropper told attendees at the groundbreaking for the Physical Education and Aquatics Center to "believe that what you're doing today will affect the lives of cadets for the next 50 years."

With a main gymnasium that will seat 650 spectators, Cal Maritime's new facility will accommodate more

supporters than ever at men's and women's basketball games.

"Sports unite a community," said Erik Hanson, a junior forward on the men's basketball team. "This new gym will allow more people to become a part of the Cal Maritime family."

The new center will replace Mayo Hall, built in 1945, when student population was around 200. Its construction will address the shortage of space for the Academy's physical education and licensing preparation programs.

"The original gymnasium was dedicated in 1946 and named 'Memorial

Hall' for the CMA alumni who had lost their lives during World War II," said Larry Stevens, library and archives assistant at Cal Maritime. "It was the very first permanent structure built on the new California Maritime Academy campus after the move to Morrow Cove from the San Francisco Ferry Building berth in 1943."

The gym was renamed in honor of retiring CMA Superintendent Captain Claude B. Mayo in 1947. The plaque listing the names of alumni who died in World War II still stands at the entrance to what is now known as Mayo Hall.

The new Physical Education and Aquatics Center is scheduled to open in the fall of 2014. Mayo Hall will be renovated and repurposed for use as a student services center and faculty offices.

Another major construction project will be wrapping up in time for a fall 2013 grand opening. The 22,000 square foot Dining Center will be another campus jewel, offering waterfront views from two stories and a mezzanine level.

Plans for the facility, construction of which was funded through fees paid

Rendering of the new Physical Education and Aquatics Center



The Mayo Hall gym (left) and natatorium (right) have changed little since these photos were taken in 1958.



▲ Mayo Hall and the under-construction Mess Deck are visible in this 1954 photo of campus. Faculty housing, the classroom building and the original *T.S. Golden Bear* can also be seen.

◀ Rendering of the new Dining Hall, scheduled to open in the fall of this year.

▼ The view from the mezzanine level in the new Dining Hall (left). Mayo Hall and the Mess Deck can be seen in this photo from the 1950s, along with the original *T.S. Golden Bear* (right).



by cadets on their meal plans, won the Best Practice Award for Higher Education Energy Efficiency and Sustainability. The center seats 450 and was designed to host conferences and events on campus as well as daily meals for cadets.

The new Dining Center will replace the Mess Hall constructed in the mid-1950s. The old facility was initially designed to handle 130 students during meals.

The old dining hall has been recommended for reuse as a combination of offices, student study area, and a small break area for faculty, staff and students.

A permanent home for Cal Maritime's new police department is also in the offing. Some of the features of the police facility will be offices, investigation and interview rooms, secure evidence storage, and an

emergency operations center.

The project — scheduled for completion in fall of 2014 — will also include a new campus entry gateway and pedestrian walkway.

One campus building project has already been completed. The new bookstore opened at the beginning of the spring semester in the old racquetball courts building. The store, which offers textbooks, supplies, uniforms, gifts and apparel for sale, has an attractive, open floor plan and mezzanine level.

“Having a new bookstore — especially one repurposed from an existing

campus building — provides the campus community with a sense of belonging to the greater history of the academy,” said Beth Ayers, the campus book store manager.

“I love hearing comments from students as they walk through the doors for the first time and see the light and openness created by the mezzanine level and floor to ceiling windows,” said Ayers. “While there is an elevator, everyone still uses the stairs — with as much stair climbing as they do on this campus, I’m surprised they don’t choose to use the elevator more! It’s a testament to the dedication to hard work all our cadets have here.”

CELEBRATING OUR FACULTY AND STAFF

With the promotion of **STEPHEN KRETA** to the position of Vice President for Student Affairs (see pg. 5) and the

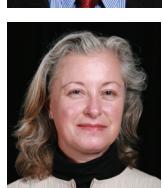


elimination of the Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs position, several important, key roles and responsibilities are being reassigned to

other personnel. **SAM PECOTA** has agreed to serve as Director of Simulation. In this role, Sam will be responsible for the management and administration of the Simulation Department including the acquisition and maintenance of simulators, training and management of personnel, training and instruction of faculty in simulation instruction, conducting



research involving simulators, and other duties. **MICHAEL KAZEK** has agreed to serve as is Cal Maritime's Director of USCG Licensing Programs, responsible for ensuring that the Academy meets and complies with all educational and training requirements as required by International STCW Codes as well as those for domestic licensing. **DR.**



DONNA NINCIC will be adding Director of International Studies to her duties as the Director of the ABS School of Maritime Policy and Management. Her new responsibilities will include coordinating student international studies, student and faculty exchanges with international universities and fostering relationships with current and future international educational partners.



PROFESSOR KHALID BACHKAR was one of the moderators at the 26th Annual Bay Area Planning Coalition Decision Makers Conference on May 3, 2013. The theme for this year's conference was Fueling California's Economic Engine & Jobs: The Importance of Trade to Northern California.

STEPHEN KRETA was invited to speak on a panel discussion on Recruiting the Next Generation of Mariners at the SOCP (Ship Operators Cooperative Program) Spring meeting in Dania Point FL in February.

DR. DIANNE MEREDITH (Assistant Professor, ABS School of Maritime Policy and Management) organized a five-member

panel session on Maritime Geography at the annual American Association of Geographers (AAG) conference in Los Angeles in May. She also presented a paper in the session, *Lamu Super-Port in Kenya: Connecting the Great Equatorial Landbridge Across Africa*. In May, Dr. Meredith gave a presentation at the University of California-Davis titled California's Maritime Academy: Geography on the Pacific Rim.

DR. DONNA NINCIC gave a presentation on *Maritime Piracy: Trends for the Future* at the 28th World Ports Conference hosted by the International Association of Ports and Harbors and the Port of Los Angeles, in Los Angeles.

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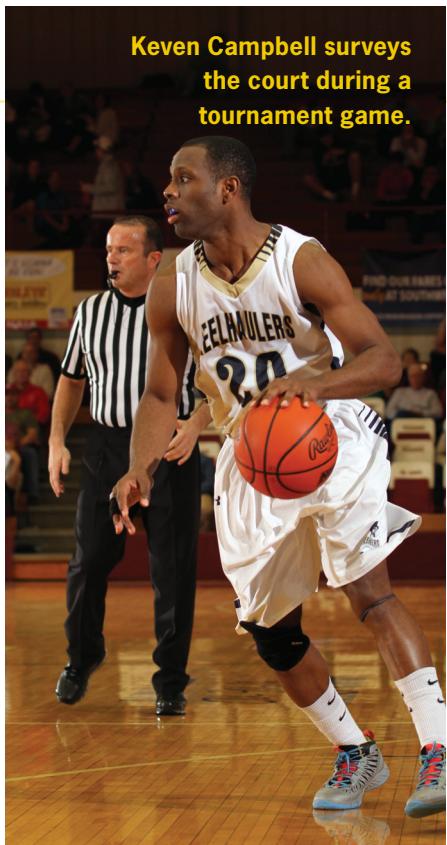
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Eventful and Successful Seasons for Cal Maritime

A TRIP TO THE SWEET SIXTEEN in men's basketball and successful first seasons for men's and women's cross country were just a few of the Cal Maritime athletics programs this year. The men's basketball team finished 25-7, won the Cal Pac tournament for the second year in a row, and advanced to the Sweet 16 in the national tournament for the first time ever. The Keelhaulers defeated four nationally-ranked teams and saw four players receive all-league honors.

Women's basketball also placed four all-conference performers and

reached the conference semifinals.

For the second year in a row, the sailing team won the Port of L.A. Harbor Cup. The rugby squad also competed in the national tournament.

The Crew team has a new building that was completed recently to house their shells and ergs, including a new eight-man shell.

Two hundred athletes from 12 different sports were honored at the year-ending athletic banquet.

Follow Cal Maritime athletics all year long at www.cmakeelhaulers.com/.

THE TICKER

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL HONORS ALL-CONFERENCE PERFORMERS

Javier Brantley – First Team
Tatjana Pittx – Second Team
Jordan Mootz – Honorable Mention
Shante Sands – Honorable Mention

MEN'S BASKETBALL HONORS ALL-CONFERENCE PERFORMERS

Keven Campbell – First Team
Anthony Simi – First Team
Howie Manzo – Second Team
Casey Healy – Honorable Mention
Jaquai Wiley – Defensive Player of the Year

MEN'S BASKETBALL HIGHLIGHTS

■ Won the Cal Pac Conference for the second year in a row

■ Won the Cal Pac Conference Tournament for the second year in a row.

■ Went to the national tournament for the second year in a row.

■ Advanced to the Sweet 16 in the national tournament for the second year in a row.

■ Job and graduate school placement rate is tops in the California State University System ranging from 90–100% year after year.

■ In six years under Head Coach Bryan Rooney, the team has broken the school record for wins four times.

■ Coach Bryan Rooney has been named Conference Coach of the Year three times.

■ Coach Rooney has led the team to the school's first three conference championships and coached 18 all-conference student-athletes.

Anthony Simi goes up for a rebound against Northwestern.



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From the Alumni President

EXCITING CHANGES are taking place at Cal Maritime, and alumni will play an important role in shaping the Academy's future.

If you follow the Cal Maritime Connection (our e-newsletter) or have visited the campus recently, you know about some of the construction taking place around the Academy, most noticeably the fence that surrounds the nine acres of land outside the gate. Although the land east of the exterior of



the gate had been occupied by some small homes and a series of nightclubs over the years, it will soon be the site of our new Physical Education and Marine Survival Skills complex. The Mayo Hall, which includes the gym and pool, is one of the oldest buildings on campus and will eventually be converted to new functions. The dining

facility that we all know as the "Mess Deck" will be replaced by the end of this summer with a beautiful and functional new facility at the west end of the campus. You can see the progress of the construction via a live webcam. These changes will help improve the experience for current and future cadets.

During the coming year, the gate that we saw in our rear view mirrors will be replaced by a new gate and watch station to welcome you back to your Academy.

The Alumni Association is also a part of the changes taking place at Cal Maritime. The Board has added a new group of dynamic and diverse Directors who are interested in getting more alumni to participate in events and activities that foster supporting cadets. As a member of the Cal Maritime Alumni Association, YOU will be an important part of this change and I hope you answer the call to roll up your sleeves and get involved!

This summer the Alumni Association will host various regional Summer Send Offs to welcome the Class of 2017 and their families to Cal Maritime. Just two years ago we started with two locations, last year we had seven and this year we are looking at ten locations in California, Oregon, Washington and Hawaii. Alumni, current students and parents are invited to make these events successful and welcoming for our new fourth class. We are always looking for more locations and alumni to volunteer and to host. Please contact us for more details at alumni@csum.edu.

Our Fourth Thursdays are now held in 13 locations around the country—and one in Panama! Our largest gathering in the San Francisco Bay Area has been organized over the past

five years by Tammie Lasiter, '94MT. Fourth Thursdays are informal gatherings after work that provide an opportunity for local alumni and friends to connect, network, and of course hear sea stories. If you are travelling through the area this is a fun way to meet up with the locals. Check for a location near you (or volunteer to start-up a new location) at www.csum.edu/4ththurs.

What can you do? Well, do you like to talk about your job? Consider bringing your expertise to the classroom and sharing real-time situations with cadets. Do you like providing feedback? Consider mentoring a cadet and providing them with additional support as they transition from the classroom to the workforce. Would you like to help more high school or community college students learn about Cal Maritime? Volunteer to be an Alumni Admissions Volunteer. Want to help your former division? Volunteer to be an Alumni Division Volunteer.

Stay informed of the changes by keeping us informed of yours. Update your contact information with our office and keep us abreast of your career accomplishments at alumni@csum.edu.

Be a part of the change. Support the cadets. Support your fellow alumni. Support your Academy.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ken Passé".

Ken Passé, E '69
President, CMA Alumni Association

Homecoming Weekend 2013

Celebrate milestone reunions
for all classes ending in
threes and eights. Contact the
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Help us organize your class reunion!

Class Notes, Fall 2013

CLASS OF 1943

Class Scribe: Ed Johannessen,
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Retired SF Bar Pilot Captain **Joe Devine**

requests for the record that he and Gina are blessed with (at last count) eight great-grandchildren (rather than just eight grandchildren as reported in our last column). This probably makes them the all-time Great Grandparent champs in the history of CMA — can anyone out there beat this record?

Peripatetic Captain **Art Morrison**,

USCG retired, is planning another cruise — this time around South America with a possible excursion to Antarctica.

As of late fall of 2012, the Great Class of June 1943 is still extant with six members (5 Deck and one hardy Engineer) and plans are being made for an unprecedented 70th-year class reunion during Homecoming 2013.

CLASS OF 1980

Class Scribe: Joe Pecoraro,
jc3b@sbcglobal.net

Captain **Jonathan Allen**'s self-published *The Big Bucks Guide to Commercial Fishing in Alaska: How to Run Away to Alaska, Work Harder than You Ever Thought Possible, and Perhaps Even Get Paid*, is crazily good. Allen, is a resident of Idaho, has the academic chops — he's a 1980 graduate of the California Maritime Academy, with an Unlimited Third Mates License — and the experience to know what he's talking about. His worldview includes "a deep distrust of anyone wearing khaki." After nine years working cargo ships, tankers and research ships, Allen turned to fishing: trawling, crabbing and longlining. He writes with a light-

hearted, gallows humor about a heavy subject that has, no doubt, served him well at sea.

CLASS OF 1990

Class Scribe: Become the Class of 1990's Class Scribe. Contact the Alumni Office at alumni@csum.edu for more information about this fun opportunity!



John Hie

Jon Hie was named Director of Shipyard Operations for Foss Maritime. Hie will have responsibility for the operations of Foss' shipyards, oversee commercial vessel repair and maintenance work, and support Foss' fleet engineering requirements. Hie comes to Foss Maritime from Hawaii, where he was a Kirby Corporation division manager in the islands. Hie has been employed both on-shore and ship-board in a variety of positions on the East Coast, the Gulf Coast and the Caribbean.

CLASS OF 2002

Class Scribe: Sheila LaFleur,
sheila@live.com

Flagship Management, LLC announced that **Sheila (Maude) LaFleur** will be joining the firm as a Senior Associate in its maritime practice. Sheila is a former colleague of Flagship's partners and has a proven record of recruitment

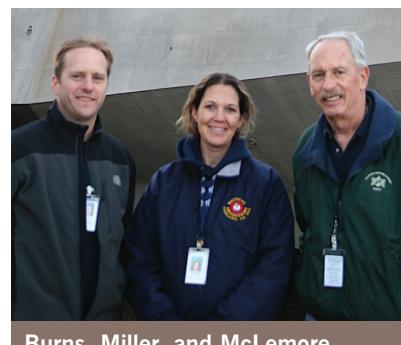


Sheila (Maude) LaFleur

success in facilitating new, rewarding career opportunities for maritime professionals across all segments of the industry.

CLASS OF 2003

Class Scribe: Mike Jessner,
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Burns, Miller, and McLemore

Three CMA alumni served recently on the sea trials crew for the USS Coronado (LCS 4), the Navy's newest Littoral Combat Ship. From left to right, they are **Todd Burns** '07, **Makahla Miller** (Moss) '03 and **Al McLemore** '71. The USS Coronado is a 50 knot, all-aluminum vessel designed to support Navy special warfare operations. When not doing sea trials; Todd is a new dad and sails container ships out of the "hall," Makahla is a soon to be mom who works for the ship's builder, Austal shipyard, and Al is a grandfather who continues to do a lousy job of staying retired!

CLASS OF 2010

Class Scribe: Shireen Blau,
shireen.blau@gmail.com

Second Mate **Thomas J. Steele** and Third Mate Elisa A. Finan along with the officers and crew of *MV GREEN COVE* saved the lives of two fishermen they found floating in a freezer box in the waters off Mexico on the morning of Nov. 22. The rescue took place after watch standers aboard *GREEN COVE* picked up a flashing light on the horizon and discovered that it was coming from

a fishing boat's freezer box carrying two people. The crewmembers gave the two men food, water and medical assistance, helped them make contact with their families in Mexico and accommodated them on board the *GREEN COVE* until the ship reached Panama. Coast Guard Rear Adm. Karl L. Schultz commended the entire crew of *GREEN COVE* for taking part in the rescue. "In challenging weather conditions, you expertly maneuvered your vessel and safely embarked the two men," he said. "Your efforts

in locating and assisting these two distressed mariners serve as a shining example of selfless dedication to the safety of life at sea and are in keeping with the highest maritime traditions." Original and full article appeared in the Masters, Mates and Pilots magazine.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Tell your fellow CMA Alumni what you're up to by sending submissions via e-mail to alumni@csum.edu or to the scribe listed for your class.

Crossed the Final Bar

CLASS OF JULY 1942

While we do not have complete biographical information we are sad to report that Captain **John O. Hansen** has passed away.

Leonard Stewart Peck passed away on October 19, 2012. Len served for four-and-a-half years in the Merchant Marines during war and peace times. He later worked in insurance for 42 years. Len is survived by his wife, three children, four grandsons, and three great-grandsons.



CLASS OF 1946

William "Bill" Schill was laid to rest with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia, on August 23, 2012. Bill passed away on July 13, 2010 in Palm Desert, California.



CLASS OF 1947

Robert Henry ("Bob") McLachlan passed away on April 28, 2013. Bob was born in Harbin, the Heilongjiang Province in Northeast China, and lived throughout China and Southeast Asia as a child. Bob enlisted in the United States Navy, the United States Coast Guard and did a term as a merchant marine. His time on the water took him from Anacortes, Washington

down the South American coast. Bob worked as a produce broker for over 50 years. Bob is survived by four of his children, spouses and two grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son Robert and his beloved wife Marilyn passed away on May 29, 2013.

CLASS OF 1953



Fred A. Varni passed away on December 2, 2011 in his native Modesto, CA. While at CMA, Fred served as class president, Company Commander, and participated in sports. Upon graduation, Fred served in the Navy assigned to MSTS in Pusan, Korea. After his assigned duty, Fred returned to Modesto and operated the family bottling and distributing business with his brothers. His interests included gardening and mushroom gathering in the Sierras. Fred is survived by his wife Mary Anna, his two sons and six grandchildren.

CLASS OF 1958

Captain **Raymond Andrew Wood II** passed away at his home on May 18, 2013. Ray was a retired Ship Master and enjoyed reading, travel, and solitaire. He leaves behind his loving wife of 42 years, Susan; a daughter; a son; and two granddaughters. A memorial service will be held later in the fall in Arizona.

CLASS OF 1963

Captain **Ed Creasey** passed away on Christmas Day of 2012 after a long bout with pancreatic cancer. He had a long and very successful maritime career. He served in the merchant marine, worked as a Panama Canal pilot for several years and spent many years as a ship's pilot in Southeast Alaska.

CLASS OF 1983



Paul Grey Chisholm USN passed away April 17, 2013. Most recently, Grey was a Master of the USNS Waters, a Special Mission Vessel alternating between Atlantic and Pacific waters.

Grey is survived by his wife of 22 years, Michele Chisholm, his parents, three brothers and one sister. Besides being a mariner, Grey was a talented artist, creating metal works based on the intricate knots of the sea and his Scottish heritage.

CLASS OF 2005

While we do not have complete biographical information we are sad to report that **Thomas Baumann** has passed away.

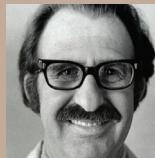
CLASS OF 2008

While we do not have complete biographical information we are sad to report that **Nick Dobbe** has passed away.

HONORING FRIENDS OF CAL MARITIME



Gale Ann Campainha Gomez passed away unexpectedly on March 31, 2013. Gale Ann was born in Honolulu, Hawaii and spent her early childhood in Hawaii before her family decided to move to Vallejo. Gale Ann worked at the California Maritime Academy's cashier's office until her retirement in 2009. She had the opportunity to travel with the school's training ship as they set sail for South America, where she got to see many different countries and cultures. When she got back, she spoke of all the amazing countries and beautiful people she saw. She had the adventure of a lifetime. Gale is survived by her devoted and loving husband, Mike Gomez.



Beloved former California Maritime Academy faculty member, **Louis E. Kiger**, passed away in his home on February 25, 2013. Lou served in the 75th Division, 291st Infantry in the European Theater in World War II. He was severely wounded in the Battle of the Bulge. After recovering from his wounds, he returned to New Jersey to pursue his education through the G.I. Bill. He received both his Bachelor's and Master's Degree in literature from Rutgers University. Lou taught English at John Swett High School in Crockett, CA for four years, was an English professor at the California Maritime Academy in Vallejo, for 11 years, and a union representative/labor negotiator for the California State Employees Association for 17 years. Lou enjoyed his family and many friends, running, traveling, and acting in community theater. Lou will be most remembered for his love and support, and his extraordinary sense of humor and wit. Lou was preceded in death by his parents and brother. He leaves behind two daughters, three grandchildren, one great-grandson, and many extended family and friends.



Eric Stanford Swann M.D. passed away on December 7, 2012 in the presence of family following a brief illness. He was born in Kansas City, Kansas, grew up in Los Angeles and graduated from St. John Vianney Daniel Murphy High School. Dr. Swann held the position of Chief Medical Officer at California Maritime Academy for since 2007. Dr. Swann is survived by his wife, two daughters, and siblings. Gifts in memory of Dr. Swann can be made to the California Maritime Academy Foundation, 200 Maritime Academy Way, Vallejo, CA 94590.

Submitting information: Send information about the passing of a Cal Maritime graduate to alumni@csum.edu. Photos should be sent as .jpg files at the highest possible resolution. Hard copies of newspaper clippings, photos or other materials can be sent to: Office of Alumni Affairs, The California Maritime Academy, 200 Maritime Academy Drive, Vallejo, CA 94590.

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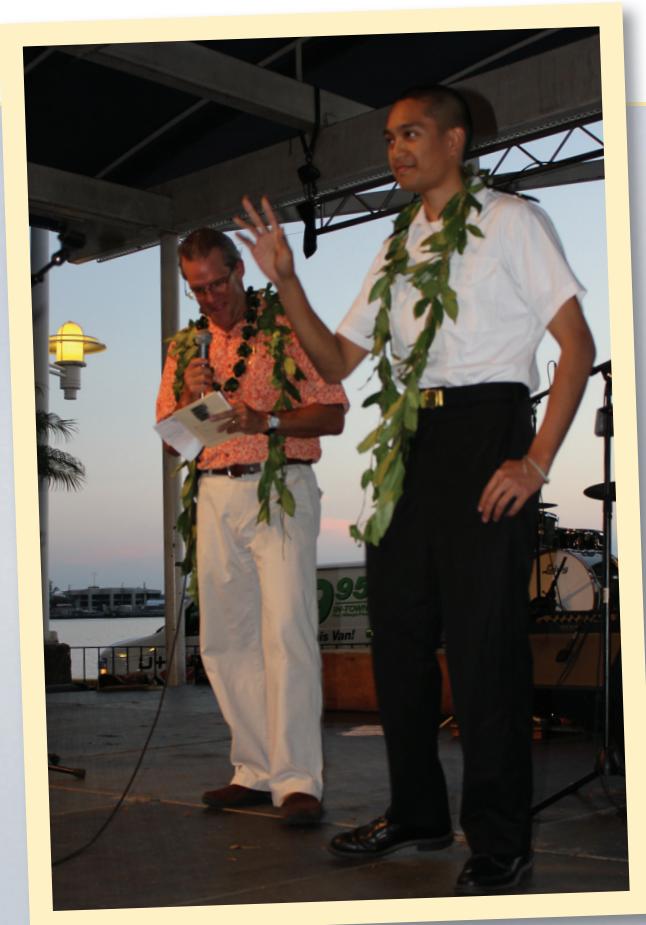


◀ Captain Harry Bolton
on the bridge during
Training Day on the Bay.



▼ Jessica Mastrella on the
bridge during Training Day.

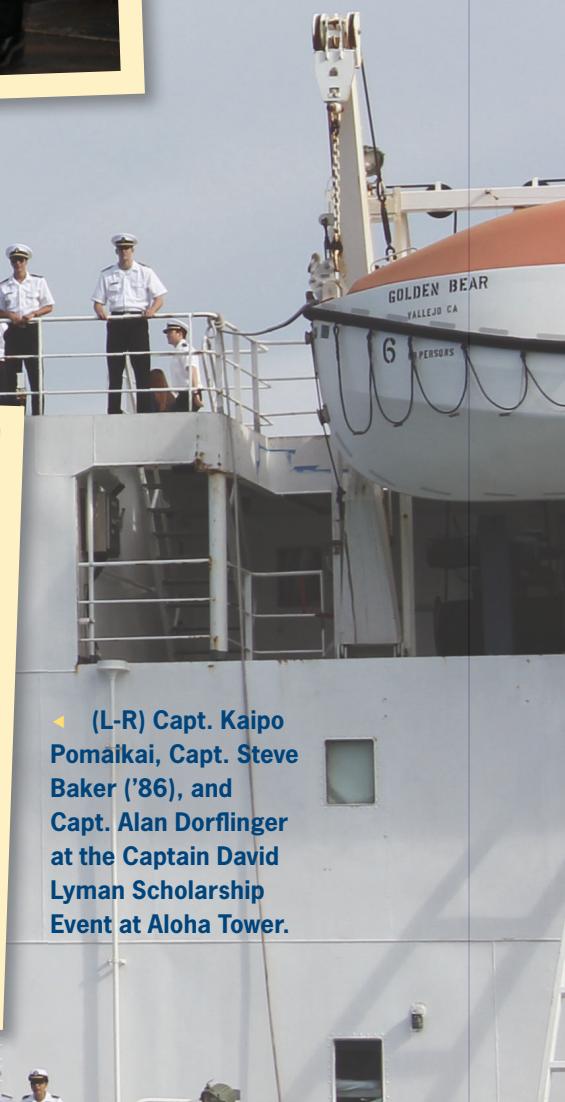




◀ Captain Ed Enos ('87) introduces Cadet Brandon Palompo at the Captain David Lyman Scholarship event at Aloha Tower. Palompo is a Lyman Scholarship recipient.



◀ (L-R) Capt. Kaipo Pomaikai, Capt. Steve Baker ('86), and Capt. Alan Dorflinger at the Captain David Lyman Scholarship Event at Aloha Tower.



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August 24-28	New Student Orientation
August 26	Cal Maritime Foundation Golf Classic at Green Valley Country Club in Fairfield
August 29	Fall Classes Begin
September 2	Labor Day (University Closed)
October 11	Inauguration of the President and 50-Year Class Reunion
October 12	Homecoming
October 13	Day on the Bay
November 11	Veterans Day (University Closed)
November 16	Cal Maritime Preview Day
November 28-29	Thanksgiving Holiday (University Closed)
December 13	Last Day of Fall Classes

